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Dear Fellow Graduates:

Just a little over a month ago, we experienced a wonderful Homecoming Weekend at West Point. The fall colors were brilliant in their beauty. It was our great pleasure and honor to have Colonel John Meneely, USMA 1915, join us for the sixth consecutive year at Homecoming to lead the Alumni March to Thayer Monument. With the assistance of Cadet First Captain, Brian Dosa, he placed the floral wreath at the base of the monument of Sylvanus Thayer. We look forward to a repeat performance in the spring during the Alumni Portion of Graduation Week when he joins his classmates as they celebrate their 70th Reunion. Excitement was in the air as the USMA Classes of 1964, 1969, 1974, and 1979 returned in large numbers to celebrate their reunions. On Saturday afternoon they thoroughly enjoyed watching a disciplined and well-coached Army football team score touchdowns on its first five possessions and eventually trounce a previously undefeated Penn team 48-13. During other reunions held this fall, the USMA Classes of 1959, 1949, and 1939 saw Army beat Colgate, Harvard, and Duke at their 25th, 35th and 45th Reunions, respectively.

The Army athletic teams are doing very well thus far during the fall season, especially football. By the time this issue of ASSEMBLY is printed and distributed, the 1984 football season will be history. To date, we have played seven games (4-2-1) with four difficult games to go against Air Force, Boston College, Montana (in Tokyo) and Navy at Philadelphia. All of us are tremendously proud of the Army team. There definitely are a number of new aspects, besides just the wishbone offense, that have contributed to success. After the first six games, the offense had rolled up a total of 166 points, which was 26 more points than all of last year after eleven games. The defensive players have been stalwarts, displaying great intensity and the ability to swarm after the ball carrier. Tremendous credit is due to the head coach, Jim Young, the rest of the coaching staff, to all the players, and especially to the leadership of the First Classmen on the team. The other cadets of the Corps deserve a lot of credit also for their great enthusiasm and support. I am confident that this dedication and winning spirit has definitely turned the Army football program around for this year and we will continue the effort in the year ahead.

Last year, as I reported to you in a previous issue of ASSEMBLY, the Board of Trustees of the Association of Graduates approved a resolution recommending that West Point conduct a study on the feasibility and desirability of constructing a new building to house both a museum display and headquarters of the Association of Graduates. It was proposed that the building be constructed east of Trophy Point near the site of the old hotel and be financed by privately donated funds. I appointed a committee, chaired by Colonel Frank Giordano, to conduct the study to include consideration of alternate sites. The committee has completed its study and has provided its recommendations to me.

The Committee evaluated four possible locations, one of which was the site near Trophy Point suggested by the Association of Graduates. Based on all known requirements, including adequate space for the Association of Graduates' staff functions, the Trophy Point site would be the most costly and has the disadvantage of construction near Trophy Point, about which a number of graduates have serious reservations.

The Committee concluded, further, that the best solution, in terms of cost, space utilization, and aesthetics, would be to connect Cullum Hall with the Officers' Club by means of some "below The Plain level" construction, with an "Alumni Plaza" connecting the two buildings at The Plain level. Under this solution, we would gain additional, modernized, Association of Graduates headquarters space and much needed room for an expanded Fourth Class Club, while retaining the memorial and traditional uses of Cullum Hall for graduates and cadets. This alternative would also permit the inclusion of a modest museum gallery in Cullum Hall, should we decide that is desirable. My decision on the Trophy Point construction is awaiting a follow-on study being conducted by the Association of Graduates of the cost aspects of the Trophy Point site alternative, which will be completed in mid-November.

As we proceed with our programming and budgeting for the academic space expansion and the movement of non-academic activities to the old Ladycliff campus, we have determined that the most critical of West Point's needs for additional donated monies in the next few years will be for enhancement of the facility for the new Museum. A total of three hundred thousand visitors now pay a visit to our Museum each year. The needs of the Museum are described in more detail in an article entitled "The West Point Fund Supports the Corps of Cadets," located elsewhere in this issue of ASSEMBLY. I strongly support the Military Academy's having a first-class Museum, but without a considerable amount of donated monies we will not be able to do so.

I am discussing with Colonel Blaik how we might, at the entrance to the new sports complex, appropriately recognize the Army athletes who have won letters in varsity sports. A very generous gift by Colonel Blaik has made the project possible. I will be meeting with Colonel Blaik in the very near future, and you may be assured that the final project will be one Colonel Blaik supports.

Sincerely,

Willard W. Scott, Jr.
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
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1984 SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD
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STANLEY R. RESOR

As a distinguished public servant and government leader, the Honorable Stanley R. Resor has rendered a lifetime of outstanding service to the United States and its citizens. Throughout his years in increasingly responsible positions of leadership, he has exemplified the ideals of West Point expressed in the motto, "Duty, Honor, Country."

Stanley R. Resor's life and accomplishments have been closely interrelated with the United States government and especially with the United States Army. Starting with his early seeking and earning an Army reserve officer's commission, and continuing through his distinguished and valorous conduct on the battlefield in World War II, his courageous leadership as Secretary of the Army during the divisive period of the Viet Nam conflict, his five years as US Ambassador and head of the United States Delegation to the Mutual Balanced Force Reduction Negotiations, and finally as Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Stanley R. Resor demonstrated an extraordinary dedication to the welfare of his country and its Army and a combination of selflessness and personal integrity which are in the finest traditions of civilian and military service to our nation.

Through his devotion to public service, Stanley R. Resor has made a significant and lasting contribution to the well being and security of the United States. His response to the call of duty and his willingness to serve when needed symbolize and reflect the values expressed in the West Point motto. Accordingly, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy hereby confers the 1984 Sylvanus Thayer Award on Stanley R. Resor.

Michael S. Davison
General, USA (Retired)

STANLEY R. RESOR RECIPIENT OF THE 1984 SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD 27 SEPTEMBER 1984

STANLEY R. RESOR, former Secretary of the Army during the height of the Vietnam War, was this year's recipient of one of the highest honors conferred at West Point—the Sylvanus Thayer Award.

The Thayer Award is presented annually by the Association of Graduates to an outstanding American citizen whose service and accomplishments in the national interest best exemplify devotion to the ideals of the Academy—"Duty, Honor, Country." Previous Thayer Award recipients include Dwight D. Eisenhower, Douglas MacArthur, Bob Hope, Omar Bradley and Billy Graham. James H. Doolittle, test pilot and World War II hero, received the award last year.

Resor, a lawyer, Yale graduate, and World War II veteran served as Secretary of the Army from 1965 to 1971. Since, he has served as ambassador in arms reduction negotiations and as Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, and worked in several non-governmental organizations dealing with issues of arms control.

Resor was born Dec. 15, 1917, to Stanley B. and Helen Landsdowne Resor in New York City. He began his military service as an ROTC student at Yale, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1939. Upon graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant, and when the United States entered World War II, he went on active duty with the 10th Armored Division at Fort Benning, GA.

Resor received the Purple Heart, the Silver Star and the Bronze Star during his tour in Europe. His unit received the Distinguished Unit Citation for its part in the defense of Bastogne, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge. In Sept. 1945, Resor left the Army with the rank of major and returned to Yale to study law. When Resor finished his degree, he practiced corporate law in New York for several years, eventually becoming a partner in the firm.

In March, 1965, Resor returned to government service as the Under Secretary of the Army. Upon resignation of Stephen Ailes, Secretary of Army, Resor was appointed to the position by President Johnson, and retained that post for the next six years.

In 1971, Resor went back into private practice, but returned, one again, to government service in 1973 to head the United States Delegation to the Mutual Balanced Force Reduction Negotiations. Resor continued working for the government as Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, a position he moved to in 1978. In 1979, he returned to his law practice in New York. Resor, his wife Jane Lawler Pillsbury and their seven sons live in New Canaan, CT.

At a press conference at West Point Resor commented on his views of the Vietnam conflict.

"From hindsight," he said, "it was not a wise decision to have gone in there. In the very long run we may have, and I hope we will, benefit from the experience from this terribly difficult period time."

"What we tried to do in Vietnam was a very well-intentioned effort, but as it turned out, due largely to the situation in South Vietnam and to other factors, it was something that was not really achieveable, and certainly not within time limits the American public was interested in supporting."

After the press conference, Resor was honored at a retreat ceremony on the Plain by the Corps of Cadets.

At the banquet ceremony in Washington Hall, General Michael S. Davison, president of the Association of Graduates, conferred the Thayer Award on the for-

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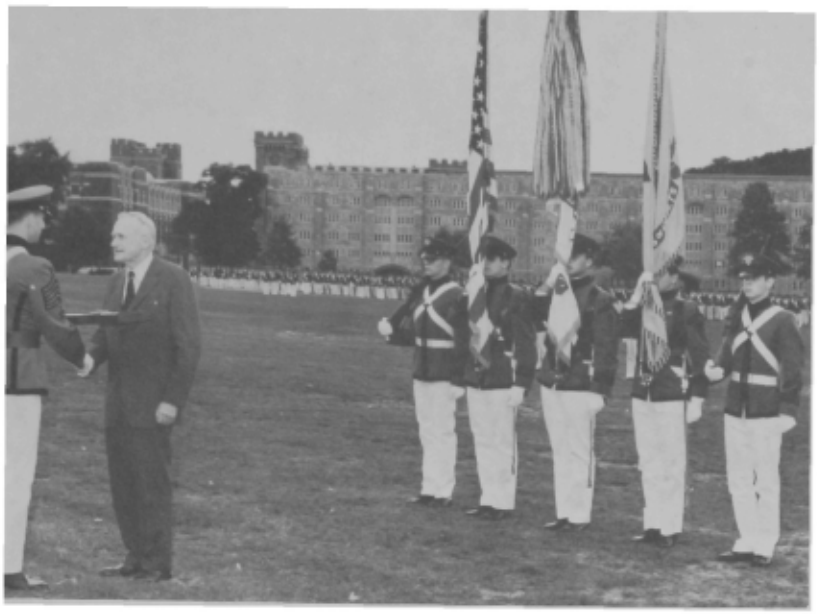

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mer Secretary of the Army before a crowd of more than 5,000 cadets, dignitaries, and guests.

Excerpts from Resor's acceptance address follow:

I am deeply honored to receive the Sylvanus Thayer Award. For several reasons, it has a special meaning for me.

First, the exceptional distinction of its previous recipients. Secondly, because it is an extraordinarily generous recognition of my years of service with the Army—years which, though difficult, were the most personally rewarding which I have spent.

Finally, because it reflects an appreciation of my service by some of your finest graduates with whom I had the privilege of serving while I was Secretary and for whom I have the deepest admiration.

Since 1971, when I resigned as Secretary, my involvement with national security affairs has dealt primarily with the issues of arms control—first, as Head of the American Delegation to the Mutual Balanced Force Reduction negotiations; more recently as a participant in several non-governmental organizations working in this area.

I would like to take this occasion to make some brief remarks about nuclear arms control.

Today, the United States and the Soviet Union together have a total of some 50,000 nuclear weapons.

Even if the United States and the Soviet Union are successful in negotiating nuclear arms control agreements and reductions, throughout your military careers the United States and the Soviet Union will each continue to have some thousands of nuclear weapons.

At the same time, the great majority of defense and scientific experts have concluded that the prospect of a successful defense of cities against a large attack by nuclear ballistic missiles is so remote that it should not serve as the basis of public expectation or national policy. Due to the unprecedented destructive capacity of nuclear weapons, to be successful, a defense of cities would have to be essentially 100% effective. Even the most expensive types of defenses which have been suggested could be rendered ineffective by less costly countermeasures.

Since we cannot rid ourselves of nuclear weapons and since we cannot defend cities against them, the United States' policy will continue to be to deter their use against the United States. In fact, a condition of mutual deterrence exists today. Neither side can attack the other without being vulnerable to a devastating retaliatory attack.

However, as a strategy for keeping peace, nuclear deterrence has serious shortcomings.

The first shortcoming is that nuclear deterrence has serious inherent risks.

—The risk of an irrational leader on either side.

—The risk of accidents.

—The risk of miscalculations by either side as to the other side's probable actions under the pressures and fears of a period of international crisis.

The second shortcoming is that nuclear deterrence has resulted in a costly and destabilizing competition in nuclear weapons. Interaction of worst-case estimates on both sides as to the adversary's development and procurements results in pressure on both sides to expand the competition. This competition contributes to fear and mistrust between the United States and the Soviet Union.

The third shortcoming is that nuclear deterrence presents serious ethical questions. Is it moral to threaten the use of nuclear weapons if the actual use would be an immoral act? The International Conference of Catholic ishops in its important pastoral letter concluded that they could accept a policy of nuclear deterrence but only provided that it was accompanied by "accelerated work for arms control, reductions and disarmament."

In spite of these shortcomings, in a world without effective world government, nuclear deterrence is the only feasible alternative. It is the least bad way in which nation-states can co-exist with nuclear weapons but without nuclear war. We have no choice but to make deterrence work by acting to reduce its shortcomings.

To do this, the United States for approximately 20 years has had a policy of supplementing nuclear deterrence with arms control agreements.

Arms control cannot do away with nuclear weapons or prevent devastating death and destruction if these weapons are used, nor can it protect against the contingency of an irrational leader.

However, arms control can reduce the risk of nuclear war by making nuclear deterrence more stable in two ways. It can improve stability in a time of crisis and it can limit and reduce the nuclear arms competition. It can also limit the costs of the nuclear competition.

First, it can improve crisis stability by channeling modernization of nuclear weapons into stabilizing rather than destabilizing paths. A stable balance of nuclear forces is one where neither side has an incentive to use nuclear weapons first in a time of crisis. It is a balance where both sides have survivable retaliatory forces. It is a balance permitting each side to see that no matter how probable war might seem, it has nothing to lose by waiting—that time and further negotiations would not work against it.

The bipartisan Presidential Commission, chaired by General Scowcroft, has recommended that crisis stability should be the primary objective of both modernization of strategic nuclear forces and of arms control proposals. To implement this concept it has suggested that both sides move toward single-warhead, small, land-based

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Reunion 1939

A CRYSTAL CLEAR, sunny West Point weekend greeted 131 classmates who returned to West Point for our 45th Reunion from as far as Italy and Hawaii.

Add some 120 wives, widows, relatives, and friends and you have the cast complete for this three-day show where we were all just classmates together again. From the memorial service on Friday to the brunch on Sunday we gabbed, registered, bussed, memorialized, registered, drank, ate, caucussed, griped, bussed, drank, ate, bussed, photoed, reviewed the troops, ate, beat Harvard, greeted the Supe, drank, ate, danced, bussed, ate, departed. The camaraderie, the remembrance of classmates gone before us, and the support of the Supe and his staff made this the best reunion to date. Only the 50th can top it!

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Reunion 1949

AN ENTHUSIASTIC GROUP of some 350 '49ers, family and friends gathered from all parts of the country for our 35th Reunion. Off to a drizzly start on Friday, the weather cooperated beautifully for Saturday and Sunday's events. Our first event was a barbecue at the 49er cabin, at which time we dedicated the new addition to that facility—a large roofed patio attached to the original building. The game was great; seeing an Army team win again was worth the trip. The Review on the Plain brought back old memories; the meal in Washington Hall and the Supe's reception for the Class were all outstanding. The Thayer did itself proud at our Dinner Dance and at our final event—a Champagne Brunch on Sunday. All too soon, it was over and we headed our separate ways vowing to stay in touch and to make the trek together in 1989.

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Reunion 1959

The Class of 1959 turned out 187 strong for its 25th Reunion on 14-16 September, and the Army team's 41-15 romp over Colgate reflected the triumph of the sunshine in our spirits over the few sputterings of rain. Catching up on friendships, some lapsed since graduation, was the chief activity of the weekend; and we carried it with us from the cocktail buffet on Friday through the farewell brunch on Sunday. There were grins, handshakes, bearhugs and white lies. There was a time for remembrance, a memorial service for our fallen classmates; and there were times for nostalgia—a parade on the Plain, a meal in the Cadet Mess. And when, once again, it was time to depart, we were beginning to notice that it had been the best reunion ever.

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Reunion 1964

"ALMIGHTY GOD, before whom we grieve at the incompleteness of our ranks following this brief lapse of twenty years, show us the special unity achieved through genuine faith. Ours in these days is a search for meaning as we connect people and events across the span of years. We are grateful to recall the good yet often hard times in which we forged minds, bodies, and spirits which have since stood us in service. The memories of those separated from us rise as inspirations for our continued living. Among them are heroes, committed servants of our nation and of the fundamental rights of all people. Among them are brothers whose loss, but for circumstance, could have been our own. So in mystery and tragedy we dedicate our living in the future to You, the author of life. As we relive the old stories and rekindle friendships, brighten, O Lord, the spark of commitment within us. Hold now before us the priceless treasure of lives invested in service. May we know more than ever that every good gift comes from you, even the gift of brotherly love which binds us across the barrier of life and death. To the honor of each fallen classmate we dedicate our full measure of service. Amen."—Lamback

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Reunion 1969

Attendance at the 15th exceeded our expectations and those who came were rewarded with a long weekend full of good friends, good times and good memories. Over 180 classmates began to arrive Thursday evening, spent a leisurely Friday touring the Academy, saw a great Army victory on Saturday and remembered fallen friends on Sunday. Classmates came from almost every state, with over 20 from Texas alone; Carol Commons flew in from outside London and Carlos Araya from Costa Rica. The Reunion effort was very well managed by Bob Baldwin, with strong support from Anstrom, Brower, Cababa, Clark, Fagan, Kolb, Mullen and Quinn, and Class Aides MAJ Jim Hayes and CPT Dale Miner. We look forward to seeing even more of you at the 20th.

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Reunion 1974

OUR 10TH YEAR Reunion was blessed with good weather, good football but most of all with the chance to renew old friendships. Three hundred forty three classmates (plus 3 ex-74) were present to participate in the big event. On a beautiful fall weekend the Class and accompanying families spun through a torrent of activities highlighted by our Class dinner, Company parties, picnic, tailgate and Review. Those fortunate enough to attend will not soon forget the sprinkler system going off near the reviewing stand right after the parade began. Many classmates were mentioned as the pranksters. The Class of '74 added its unique brand of spirit to that already present at West Point beginning with Dan French's "rocket" on the Plain. Penn was soundly defeated, the Corps looked professional; it felt good again to be part of the long gray line. Absent friends were not forgotten but through exchanges of information it seemed as though all were present. We ended fittingly with a memorial service to pay homage to our six deceased classmates. A great turnout and superb effort by the Reunion Committee made Homecoming '74 a weekend to hold dear. Everyone left exhausted yet with a warm heart and five years to recover before the next time.

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Reunion 1979

The granite gray walls and the green grassy plain brought back proud memories as 60 members of the Class of 1979 marched within the ranks of the alumni in the Homecoming Review. We were called the "baby" reunion class; however, as the cadets marched by we were the "old corps" ribbing the cadets on arm swing and drill and ceremony. The football victory sparked the spirit of the weekend.

The Class returned from all corners of the world to share in our brotherhood. We rekindled our everlasting bond that began almost a decade ago. Our numbers were small, but the memories and stories stretched far beyond West Point.

The faces of our classmates, both civilian and military, reflected a single message as the Glee Club sang the Corps and the Alma Mater. We may choose to leave the military, but the institution and ideals of West Point will never leave our lives. Now, as always, the center of our expanding Class are the principles of Duty, Honor and Country that were rekindled in our first reunion and will continue to our last living graduate. We must now, more than ever, stay in contact through the Association of Graduates as our Class expands to meet the challenges of the future.—McGorry

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Chief Justice Burger in Law class during recent visit.

by COLONEL R. W. BERRY

THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW, USMA

LONG-TIME readers of the ASSEMBLY wil recall the March 1974 issue when the article "The Centennial of the United States Military Academy Department of Law" by Brigadier General (Retired) Frederick C. Lough then Professor and Head of the Department of Law, recounted the history of the Department of Law since it was formally created by statute in 1874.

In commenting on the newly enacted statute, the venerable *Army and Navy Journal* of July 4, 1874 stated that the act was "a step in the right direction. The study of the general principles of law—including a brief resume of the law of nations and of war, and the study of the Constitution of the United States and the administration of justice in the Army, and also of the rights and duties of officers with reference to civil authorities, have, since the Rebellion become matters of primary importance to the efficiency of proper information of every individual holding a military commission. . . ."

Essentially the same areas of the law are covered in today's required course in law: Law 401 and 402—and for the same reason. In addition to supporting the mission of the United States Military Academy, the Department of Law has as its teaching mission three goals:

1. To instill in each cadet an understanding of and respect for the law;

2. To give to each cadet a comprehensive understanding of the Constitution of the United States, the document that each officer swears to uphold with his or her life; and,

3. To prepare the cadet for his or her leadership role by teaching military, criminal and administrative law that is essential to the proper performance of an officer.

Since 1978, the Staff Judge Advocate General function that had been part of the Department of Law has been separated and a Staff Judge Advocate serves with his own staff. Thus, the instructors in the Department of Law are charged solely with the teaching. This has had a proprofoundly professional impact on the Department.

Notwithstanding the Act of 1874, since 10 July 1816, the regulations for the Academy had provided that cadets would be taught a course of Ethics which would include Natural and Political law. An Act of Congress, 14 April 1818, created the position of Chaplain to teach a course in Geography, History and Ethics.

A graphic illustration that not only were cadets required to take law but that they learned law is found in the immensely enjoyable paper "The Military Ethics of General William T. Sherman: A Reassessment," *Parameters,* Journal of the United States Army War College, Volume XII, No. 2, by Chaplain (then Major) John W. Brinsfield. (Brinsfield wrote the article while teaching in the History Department, USMA.)

In his article, Brinsfield notes the criticism leveled at Sherman for his conduct of the war in the South and focuses on Sherman's defense. He notes that the course in what was then called "Ethics" that Sherman took used as one of its texts James Kent's *Commentaries on American Law*, which Brinsfield says was one of Sherman's favorite text books. In another paper, Brinsfield observes that Sherman's critics probably had used other law textbooks in their years at West Point which may have their views. In passing, it is interesting to note that Brinsfield reports that the curriculum at the Fort Leavenworth School of Application [included law by Sherman's personal direction.]

As the needs of the military changed in the area of military criminal justice, the required course in law taken by all cadets has shifted its emphasis. Since, as a practical matter, only lawyers prosecute and defend military cases, and, except for some court martials, there is a law judge present for every special or general court martial, the former heavy emphasis on procedure and evidence taught cadets has shifted. The cadet is now taught evidence, in conjunction with the conduct of searches, and the elements of crimes, preparing him for his duties as a troop leader at a company or higher unit. The course also includes detailed teaching in the field of administrative law, particularly administrative eliminations.

The two-semester course continues to teach the Constitution in detail, the first of two semesters required to be taken in law. The Criminal-Administrative Law Course is in the second semester. The materials used are all prepared by the Department.

The Department has limited the electives that it offers and seeks to limit a cadet to enrolling in not more than two of the electives. The elective progrm is designed to supplement the required courses in areas of law which are important to the soldier. Thus, there is an elective in Environmental Law which was introduced because of the impact of environmental laws in the field of engineering. International Law goes into greater detail about the law of war and covers the broad aspect of international law. The elective in Business and Government Contracting Law recognizes that many cadets will be in the contracting field in the Army. Finally, there is an elective in Constitutional Law which examines in greater detail, the Constitution.

In recent years the Department has been privileged to host the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, Chief Justice Warren Earl Burger, and the Chief Judge of the Court of Military Appeals, Robinson Everett. The latter lectured on military law.

The Chief Justice met with the faculty of the Law Department as well as the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate. He attended class and on two occasions was able to interface with cadets socially.

Finally, through the effort of MAJ(P) William Hagan, a former member of the Department, we are beginning an effort

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WEST POINT BEFORE THE WAR*

by GEN. S. W. FERGUSON (C. S. A.)
(*Fitzhugh Lee's room-mate*)

The reminiscences which follow are among the most valuable that have been written of a period in many ways the most romantic in our country's history, in spite of the gathering cloud of civil war. General Ferguson was a cadet at West Point during the years when Gen. Robert E. Lee was superintendent of the academy, and was the room-mate of Fitzhugh Lee, General Lee's nephew. Afterward he was William Henry Fitzhugh Lee's groomsman at his wedding to Miss Carter, and had opportunity to observe Robert Lee in his home. These reminiscences are doubly valuable, then, as they describe intimately the life and customs at West Point before the war, and at the same time bring us close to a remarkable man who led the Confederate army, the personal side of whom has so slipped our historians. —Editor of the "Cazenove Gardner Lee, Jr. Collection."

OF my class which entered the Military Academy at West Point in 1852, about one hundred and fifteen strong, some thirty odd were graduated; of these only a few are still alive. Should any of them see these lines, I trust that they will awaken in them pleasant memories of those times and of the writer.

I chanced to be the first of the class to report for duty, and this soon made me acquainted with one of the traditions of the Point. "Plebe, you were the first man in your class to report?"

"Yes."

"My God, plebe! I am sorry for you; you will be found deficient sure!"

There was another tradition certain to be imparted to anyone it happened to fit, viz., that it was very difficult for any white-headed boy to be graduated. If in addition to having a white head he chanced to play the fiddle, then impossible. Many tricks, some of them very funny, were played on the plebes. This was called "running the plebes," for the word "hazing" and practices designated by it were unknown. Anything approaching "hazing" was discountenanced and prevented by old cadets of the first class. I will explain by an incident. Among the very common tricks was this: A plebe fast asleep in his tent would be jerked out by the heels and left on his back on the camp ground. By the time he could get his eyes well opened his assailants were out of sight or vanishing: the plebe gathered himself up and went back to bed. It was provoking, no doubt, but not so bad. I speak from personal experience. In the case in question, however, the plebe, after being dragged out, was hit a severe blow on the head with a tent-pin. This reached the ears of some of us who were first-class men and made us so indignant that we went to the plebe and told him that he must give the fellow who had hit him a blow, or try to do so. This he was ready to do, but feared that he would be dismissed for fighting. We satisfied him on this point and the challenge was sent and the fight arranged to come off at Kosciusko's Garden—a regular rough-and-tumble fight, what they call in Georgia "fist and skull." I was the plebe's second, and I had some misgivings as to the success of my man, who though much the larger of the two, was young and raw, while the other, an old cadet, was hard and compact and had learned something of the noble arts in the school of the Bowery. For a while he had a decided advantage, but they clinched and soon the cry "enough" was heard and the combatants at once separated, my man the victor. The fight was in as hard a rain as could fall and we were all soaked to the skin, but I returned to camp well pleased. The plebe was Rosser, from Texas, afterward a distinguished major-general of cavalry in the Confederate army, and during the Spanish War a brigadier-general in the United States army. I did not wonder at the fellow calling out "enough" when I found that Rosser had the latter's thumb between his teeth.

After getting my dry clothes, I went to the hotel to see my parents, who had come to visit me, and slipped up-stairs to my brother's room for a good drink of whisky after my ducking. This was going off limits, an offense against the regulations liable to be severely punished. While still off limits, giving an animated account of the fight to a group of ladies, a small boy, son of the hotel-keeper, chanced to appear. Some of the ladies, fearing he might mention that a cadet was there, cautioned him not to say anything about it. I felt sure this was the very thing to make him do so and following him to the head of the stairs, I saw him go up to Captain Cadmus Wilcox, the army officer in charge of one of the cadet companies, say something to him and point upstairs. I acted promptly. When Cadmus, who was promenading with a lady on each arm and evidently did not hear, stooped to catch what he was saying, I got down the flight of stairs in one slide with my arm over the rail; when Cadmus looked up I was standing near him quite unconcerned. Months afterward one of the ladies to whom I had been talking, the wife of the Marquis of Montholon, spent the day at the Point. We were chatting, sitting by a fountain on Flirtation Walk, when I saw this small boy approaching. When he got close to me I jumped up, caught him, turned him upside down and dipped his head into the fountain so that the water could run into his nose, then I put him on his legs again without saying a word. He took one long breath, then started full speed up the path and did not waste breath in crying, until some distance off. The madame had looked on in surprise, but when I had explained the cause of my action she laughed most heartily. That was one debt paid in full.

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Old Cadet Mess Building, built 1850.

During my plebe days the tents of the cadets were furnished with plank floors raised a few inches from the ground, and the cadets slept on the floors with no bedding but a pair of blankets, so it was an easy matter to jerk one out by the heels. Toward the end of the encampment, after I had been repeatedly on guard and felt that I had passed the stage for most of the tricks, I waked suddenly one bright moonlight night, flat on my back in the company ground, and got a glimpse of a cadet running off as fast as he could. I jumped up and put out after him; he made for the guard tents, and to get there he had to cross the post of a sentinel, who allowed him to cross it without challenge. I knew then that a member of the guard had played the trick and determined to have my fun too, I kept up the chase, in my single garment, a long night-gown trailing in the dim light; as I approached the sentinel he challenged loudly, and frantically for me to halt; to all of which I paid no attention, and I got over his post and he never dreamed that I would venture to invade its sanctity, and pursued the fugitive. I raised the back of the guard tents and dodging after him I went, amid the cadets of the relief, then off duty trying to get some sleep, looking into a tent and into another always with the same result. The relief of the guard was all around and the officer of the guard, with them said that it would not do to let the affair be known, instead of arguing he spoke kindly to me, persuading me to return quietly to my tent. All the time I was almost overcome by the desire to laugh aloud, picturing to myself what a ridiculous figure I presented, and of the more ridiculous plight of the old guardsman chased into the very guard tent by a plebe. I returned to my tent muttering threats, but enjoying the joke. I never heard anything more of it, nor the name of the cadet I chased.

On our return to barracks I roomed with Cadet Owen, of Ohio, a good fellow of whom I became very fond. At the January examination, the section in mathematics to which I belonged was examined on the first day. That night, after supper, I went to my room, and there found Owen and a cadet from Maine, named Frank, very busy studying something, and withdrew at once. After "call to quarters" I returned, and Owen told me that Frank, who stood very low in mathematics, had come to him in great distress, saying that he feared he would not be able to pass the examination and would be sent away, and that his father had told him in such event never to return home. Owen did what he could to cheer him, and at haphazard said: "There is Ferguson in the third section. Today he was called on to deduce the rule for division of polynomials. Who knows but you may have the same thing to-morrow? Sit down and let us go over it together." This they were doing when I opened the door. By chance, certainly most wonderful, on the next day Frank had the same problem assigned him, and, thanks to Owen's coaching, did so well that he passed. At the following June examination, I was peeping in one of the windows of the library where the

Cadet Samuel W. Ferguson

General Fitzhugh Lee

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examination was being held, and saw Frank, who had placed many figures on the blackboard, suddenly take up the sponge and rub them all out, then take up the pointer, and face the Academic board, a sign that he was ready. When called on, he went through the usual formula, "I am required to do so and so, and—" He was going on to say "I can't do it," but before he could articulate the sentence the pointer dropped from his hand and he fell unconscious. I ran around to the door and met those who were bringing him out, and helped take him to the hospital. He lingered for several days, without ever regaining consciousness, and died of brain fever. We buried him in the Cadet Cemetery. He was a large, strong man and used to say that he had never been sick, and had never taken a dose of medicine in his life. His brother was appointed in his place and came to the Point while I was away on furlough. So alike were they in size and appearance that at first sight I knew him and shook hands with him. Their difference in mental qualities was so great, however, that the younger brother was graduated high enough to be assigned to the corps of engineers. He attained the grade of major-general during the Civil War and as Gen. Royal T. Frank distinguished himself in Cuba.

The next year Fitz Lee and I wished to room together, but there were obstacles in the way. The battalion of cadets was divided into four companies, the tall men in the flank and the short men in the center companies. Transfers were allowed only between flank and flank or center and center companies, and room-mates had to be in the same company. Now Fitz was short of stature and I was tall. There was no chance of my stooping, so he had to rise to the required height. This he did by putting on a pair of trousers too long for him and a pair of my heavy boots much too large for him, while into these were stuffed socks and other things until he really stood on his toes. The battalion was formed in single file facing to the left, the tall men ordered to the left, the short to the right. Fitz took his place among the tallest, and was indignantly ordered by the first officer who noticed him to go far down. He went but a few files and slipped in again. The next officer that came by gave the same order and Fitz repeated the maneuver time after time. He had started among those much taller than myself; I saw him hustled by me, then lost sight of him, until the sorting was over. He was cut off in the half of the battalion composed of the tall men, however, and the rest was plain sailing. We got together and had a great deal of fun, but we would no doubt have gone through the academic course with more credit to ourselves and more satisfaction to our respective families had we been separated. Fitz was always most popular, full of fun and ready for any devilment. Once during the encampment we were both under arrest for some caper and (as was customary) we had to march to the mess hall with the guard, instead of with the battalion. At that time Scott's tactics were used, and we were always formed in two ranks. The squad, under command of Corporal Montague, was marching to the mess hall and had almost reached the chapel when General Scott himself appeared and crossed our path in front of us. The corporal, on seeing the great general, straightened himself like a ramrod, called out in his most martial tones, "Close up there," and stepped out, toes pointed and eyes rigidly to the front. Fitz and I were in the rear of the column. To my amazement and consternation Fitz jumped to one side, picked up a round stone and sent it bowling along the flagstones close by the general and was back in his place, as rigid as anyone, in a second. The old general stopped, looked up, then around; there was nothing in sight but the squad of the guard. He could not imagine that the stone came from such a source and resumed his walk. We had not gone more than a few steps when Fitz repeated the performance, saying on each occasion as he got back in his place, "Ha! old big general, you can't catch me." By this time we had passed the front of the chapel and the general was out of sight. The last glimpse I had of him he was looking around for the source whence came the rocks. I have often wondered what would have been the thoughts of the corporal had he known what was going on, and I have wondered, too, what report he would have made. I was badly scared, I must confess, but it was nevertheless very funny. One must have known the pompous old general to be able to realize how indignant he looked at the carelessness of anyone allowing a rock to be thrown so near him, the commander-in-chief of the army. A short time after, at the grand ball always given before striking camp for barracks, Fitz walked up to the general, introduced himself and had quite an animated conversation with him.

On July 1st of my plebe year I was surprised to see the omnibus driven close

Old Hotel—West Point

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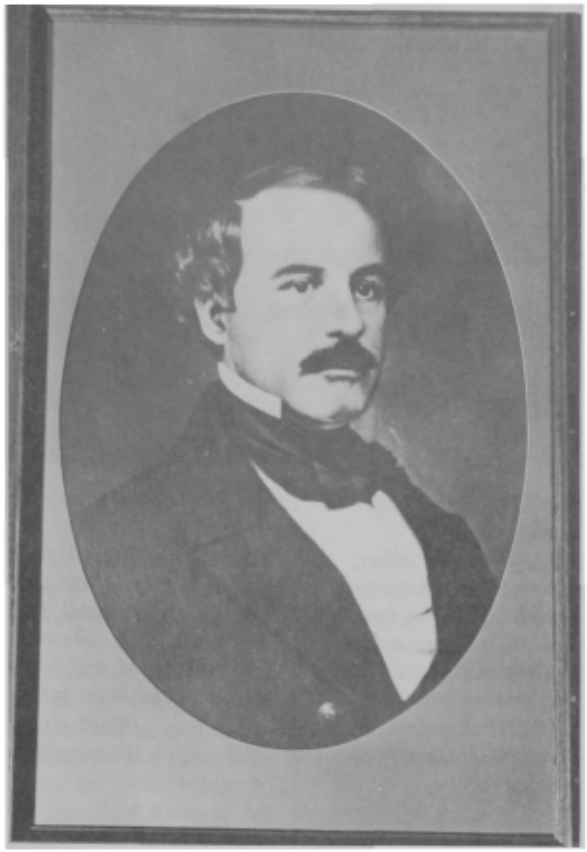

Robert E. Lee

to the edge of the camp ground and four men in citizen's clothes alight. Immediately there was a rush of cadets to them and a most surprising amount of hugging, hand-shaking and even kissing ensued. It was a mystery to me, but I learned that the four were cadets Sheridan, Edson, Davidson and Bowen, returning from a sentence of suspension; the firstnamed, for a fight with a corporal, consequent on offense taken against him while in the "legal and military discharge of his duty." Little did I imagine that the same fate awaited me! Or that the same little Phil Sheridan would play such a part in the destinies of his country and become the commander-in-chief of the United States army. Bowen became a major-general in the Confederate army, and commanded the forces that opposed Grant when he crossed the Mississippi below Vicksburg, and distinguished himself greatly. His brilliant career was soon afterward brought to a close by illness and death. Davidson became a brigadier-general of cavalry in the Confederate army.

At this time Colonel Brewerton of the engineers was superintendent and Captain Alden of the infantry commandant of cadets. They were succeeded in these offices by Col. Robert E. Lee and Major Robert Garnett, both strict disciplinarians and model soldiers in appearance and demeanor. Colonel Lee had a perfect figure, a quick, active walk, and he was a most graceful rider. He rode a beautiful thoroughbred and his appearance on horseback, typical both as to horse and rider of the perfect cavalier, invariably attracted admiration.

Fitz Lee was below medium height, well formed and very thin. It would be difficult for those who knew him only in after-life to realize this; he was an excellent horseman and very proud of his wrestling skill. We were room-mates for a long time, and never had the slightest difference or falling out. On one occasion we had a little scuffle, however, which came about in this way. He could always throw me. One day, Cadet McMillan, who occupied the opposite room, showed me a trick in wrestling much in vogue in western New York. I was pretty sure that Fitz had not learned it in his Virginia school, so I practised it and when a good opportunity offered, got scuffling with him and tried it with perfect success. Then I jumped on the bed, where I lay kicking up my heels and laughing. He said I could not do it again and dared me to try; I told him it was too easy and kept on laughing. He got so provoked at last that he jerked me by the heels to the floor. I picked up the bucket of water and let him have the contents over his brand new dress coat. How far we might have gone I do not know had not some cadets, hearing the noise, run in to see what was up. I never let him draw me into another match, for I knew he would throw me. I reserved my one victory to brag about.

I got into serious difficulty for attacking a corporal, who I thought had done me an injustice; I was arrested in the act, tried by general court-martial and sentenced to be suspended and to join the next lower class. In consequence of this. I was not graduated until 1857 instead of 1856. I have always entertained the kindliest feelings for Simon Bolivar Buckner, who was a member of that court, and who on several occasions when the court would not allow my questions to be put very quietly brought out what I wanted by questions of his own, and so, though I was found guilty, as was inevitable, all the offensive specifications were stricken out.

The favorite song of the cadets, often sung with gusto even after being graduated and when stationed in some frontier outpost, was "Benny Havens, Oh!" In my day old Benny lived on the bank of the Hudson, kept a bar and furnished excellent meals, which were served by two charming daughters. When the river was frozen over it was easy for the cadets to skate there and get a feast of buckwheat cakes and roast turkey, dainties not on the mess-hall bill of fare. There was a similar place, thought not so famous, back of the village of Buttermilk Falls, kept by one Spellman. On a memorable Saturday afternoon, Fitz and I slipped down there on pleasure bent. I was in citizen's clothes, in itself a serious infraction of the regulations. Mrs. Spellman was out visiting when we arrived, but came in soon afterward, divested herself of her fine visiting gown and got to work preparing the dinner we had ordered. Fitz chanced to see her gown and bonnet lying on the bed, and immediately got into them, without saying "by your leave." The four-seated buggy, with the driver, was in front of the house; we jumped in and ordered the driver to take us to Benny's. We had to pass through the village, where all the inhabitants knew the rig and, no doubt, the gown and hat, but in trying to make out the passengers, which they were unable to do, certainly proved themselves rubbernecks; while Fitz and I indulged in some rather amorous demonstrations. Arrived at Benny's, we went first to the bar and ordered a hot punch apiece; the crew of a schooner lying at the wharf were in the room, and seemed surprised at our entrance. While we were taking our toddy one of them stepped up and attempted to embrace Fitz, who rewarded him with a ringing slap on the jaw, at which he showed fight. It was ludicrous to see Fitz in frock and bonnet stand in boxing attitude. Some of the sailors started to aid their comrade, others said it served him right. Benny, who had not recognized us and had no idea who we were, also interfered and quiet was restored. We then went up-stairs to the dining-room, where quite a party of cadets were at table. They all, with one exception, recognized us at once. This one had drunk too much, and at first sight fell desperately in love and overwhelmed the supposed lady with attentions. The lady proved very coy, but the more we remonstrated and protested, the more

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100 YEARS OF HOWITZER

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This December the 1984 HOWITZER, the annual publication of the Corps of Cadets, will be distributed. It will continue a tradition of excellence. Not only will it record the accomplishments of the Class of 1984, it will also provide an insight into an institution which has served the nation for more than 180 years.

HOWITZER was the name given to a collection of prose and poetry which was read during the Dialectic Society's annual presentation of the Hundredth Night show. The title was appropriate since much of the content was sarcastic in nature and delivered in barrages. In the USMA Library archives can be found a HOWITZER program dated 1876. But in 1884, for the first time, the HOWITZER was published in a bound volume.

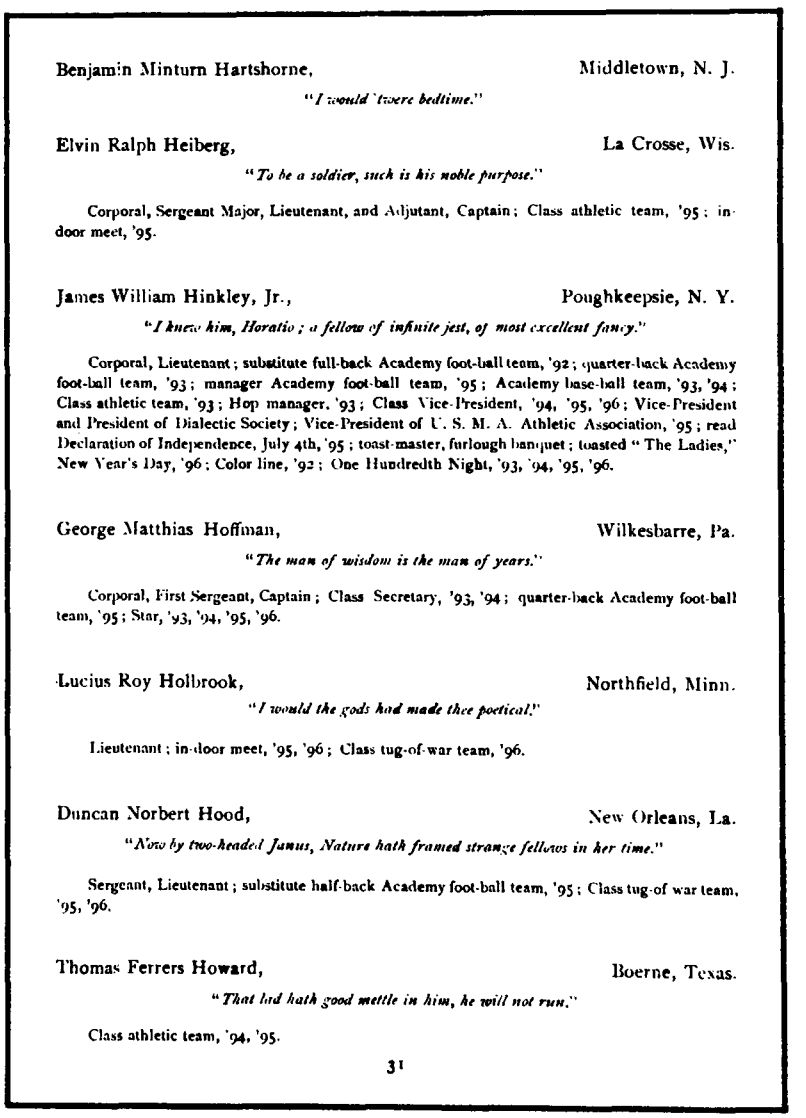
In 1884 the Dialectic Society presented a play called "The HOWITZER," and in conjunction therewith published a small pamphlet containing: the program, several good addresses by first classmen, and a "grind" section. The object was clearly expressed in an "a la fin":
And now we roll our lanyard up,
Our Howitzer is fired.

. . . . . .

Good humor was our bursting charge.
The explosions only laughter.
1914 HOWITZER
James Cress, editor

Several classes had compiled class books, consisting of photographs of members of the graduating class and local scenes. These photo albums appeared as early as 1857 and as late as 1909. In 1896 the HOWITZER severed its bonds with the Dialectic Society and became a yearbook. That 168-page volume was still mostly a collection of prose and humor, and each class picture was allotted a single page. The editor-in-chief realized that his book would be a beginning. In the foreword he wrote:

It will no doubt seem strange to many that such an institution should be without a souvenir of those cadet days which grow dearer and dearer as the years roll by . . . Of all institutions the memories of this one cling closer to its graduates than any other, for is not advancement and progress guarded and fostered by those very ones who dwelt within its gray walls and marched in that same "dear old gray battalion" in years gone by? Should the HOWITZER awaken in some an interest in the Corps of Cadets; should it tighten, if such were possible, the fraternal bonds of our comrades or recall fond recollections to some old alumnus, the HOWITZER board will feel that their time and trouble have not been in vain.
1896 HOWITZER
Frederick Lewis, editor



Benjamin Minturn Hartshorne, Middletown, N. J.

"I would 'twere bedtime."

Elvin Ralph Heiberg, La Crosse, Wis.

"To be a soldier, such is his noble purpose."

Corporal, Sergeant Major, Lieutenant, and Adjutant, Captain; Class athletic team, '95; indoor meet, '95.

James William Hinkley, Jr., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

"I knew him, Horatio; a fellow of infinite jest, of most excellent fancy."

Corporal, Lieutenant; substitute full-back Academy foot-ball team, '92; quarter-back Academy foot-ball team, '93; manager Academy foot-ball team, '95; Academy base-ball team, '93, '94; Class athletic team, '93; Hop manager, '93; Class Vice-President, '94, '95, '96; Vice-President and President of Dialectic Society; Vice-President of U. S. M. A. Athletic Association, '95; read Declaration of Independence, July 4th, '95; toast-master, furlough banquet; toasted "The Ladies," New Year's Day, '96; Color line, '92; One Hundredth Night, '93, '94, '95, '96.

George Matthias Hoffman, Wilkesbarre, Pa.

"The man of wisdom is the man of years."

Corporal, First Sergeant, Captain; Class Secretary, '93, '94; quarter-back Academy foot-ball team, '95; Star, '93, '94, '95, '96.

Lucius Roy Holbrook, Northfield, Minn.

"I would the gods had made thee poetical."

Lieutenant; in-door meet, '95, '96; Class tug-of-war team, '96.

Duncan Norbert Hood, New Orleans, La.

"Now by two-headed Janus, Nature hath framed strange fellows in her time."

Sergeant, Lieutenant; substitute half-back Academy foot-ball team, '95; Class tug-of war team, '95, '96.

Thomas Ferrers Howard, Boerne, Texas.

"That lad hath good mettle in him, he will not run."

Class athletic team, '94, '95.

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President Reagan with members of HOWITZER staff after receiving copy of the 1983 HOWITZER.

Several editors have dedicated their yearbooks to the same purpose:

It constitutes the record, the monument, the however unworthy, which each class leaves behind it, and moreover takes the place of the time honored Class album in preserving to each member of the class some of his dearest memories.

1909 HOWITZER
Stuart Godfrey, editor

We shall never tire of remembering the events of our cadet days which played so important a part in these careers. And to span this chasm of time we are making a bridge—a HOWITZER, which, in the days to come, will bring us nearer to the Corps.

1921 HOWITZER
Joseph Wardlaw, editor
(for the class that graduated in June 1921)

It has been the effort of the makers of this book to convey an idea of the soul which accentuates untiring devotion to Duty, zealous upholding of Honor and loyal service to Country—the true Spirit of Old West Point. It is our earnest desire that this book may prove an assistance to the willing hands which now take over the sacred burden; and that in years to come it may bring back afresh to us the memories of the fellowship of true men bound by the ties of the greatest fraternity in the world, the Corps.

1922 HOWITZER
Alba Spalding, editor

If the HOWITZER for 1944 will refresh the memories of but one old grad, if it will bring a smile to the face of but one man, it will have fulfilled the purpose to which it has been dedicated.

1944 HOWITZER
George Pappas, editor

And, Class of 1945, it is with a feeling of pride and satisfaction that we present to you your HOWITZER with the hope that it will afford you fond memories and live up to the high standards of the class for which it has been created.

1945 HOWITZER
George Garman, Jr., editor

Erroneously, the editorial staff in 1946 declared that the "50th anniversary HOWITZER joins its 49 predecessors." There had actually been only 48 predecessors. But the staff was correct in dating the 50th anniversary. The Preface to the 1905 HOWITZER helps to explain some of the missing years.

The volume of 1896 has been considered as Volume I. In 1899 publication was prevented by the Spanish-American War, and again interrupted in 1901 as a result of the destruction of the class organizations after the hazing investigation.
Dismantled, abandoned, and green with age, the HOWITZER was next searched out, cleaned, polished, mounted, and manned by the Class of 1904.

1905 HOWITZER
Francis Wilby, editor

The turbulence experienced at the Academy during WWI led to multiple graduations in some years, and a "make-up" yearbook. A full discussion of the situation is beyond the scope of this article. The Classes of April 1917 and August 1917 published one HOWITZER together and called it The HOWITZER of 1917-1918. Two books bear the year 1920, one of them published in 1927 by the Class of November 1918. And, there is The HOWITZER of Twenty-One for the class which entered in June 1917, as well as The 1921 HOWITZER for seventeen cadets who entered in November 1918 and elected to graduate in three years as the Class of 1921. During the second world war, the Classes of January 1943 and June 1943 each published a yearbook. Each year since then has had a single HOWITZER.

1984 marks the 100 anniversary of bound HOWITZERS. For yearbooks, the 1984 HOWITZER will be the 87th volume. The editor-in-chief, Dean Chang '84, dedicated himself to preserving the West Point tradition in his book. He was challenged to meet the high standards of recent HOWITZERS which have been recognized by the Printing Industries of America (PIA) for excellence in graphics. He was ably supported by his cadet editorial staff, by the cadet Photography Support Club, by the Publications Coordinator (of the Directorate of Cadet Activities), and by a publisher's representative. He also wore the stripes of a cadet captain on the Brigade Activities Staff. In February he had the honor of presenting a special edition of the 1983 HOWITZER to Vice President Bush in his White House office and to President Reagan in the Oval Office. The last recorded presentation of a HOWITZER to the president was thirty years ago.

HOWITZERS are produced at no expense to the government, financed by revenue obtained from circulation and advertising. Neither monetary reward nor academic course credit is given to the cadets for their long hours of work on the yearbook staff. During the Cadet Awards Convocation each year, Colonel Arthur Apmann presents the HOWITZER Memorial Award to the graduating editor-in-chief. Since its creation in 1952, the award has served as an incentive to the cadet editor.

In the 1938 edition is a mission statement for all future HOWITZER staffs:

In the years to come the HOWITZER may be the only tangible reminder of our West Point sojourn for many of us, standing for many abstract ideas of honor, of loyalty, of duty, first learned at West Point but destined to be just as important to us later. Therefore it is fitting that the HOWITZER should be a conservative, well-bound, restrained volume built as far as practicable in accordance with the tradition of fine book making and capable of withstanding the ravages of time.

1938 HOWITZER
Joseph Barker, editor

[The USMA Library has done a fine job of preserving in its Archives the older volumes of the HOWITZER, especially the soft-cover books of '20 and '21. Mrs. Marie Capps of the library staff provided valuable assistance to the preparation of this article. She is also interested in learning of any earlier volumes of class books or Hundredth Night HOWITZER programs.]

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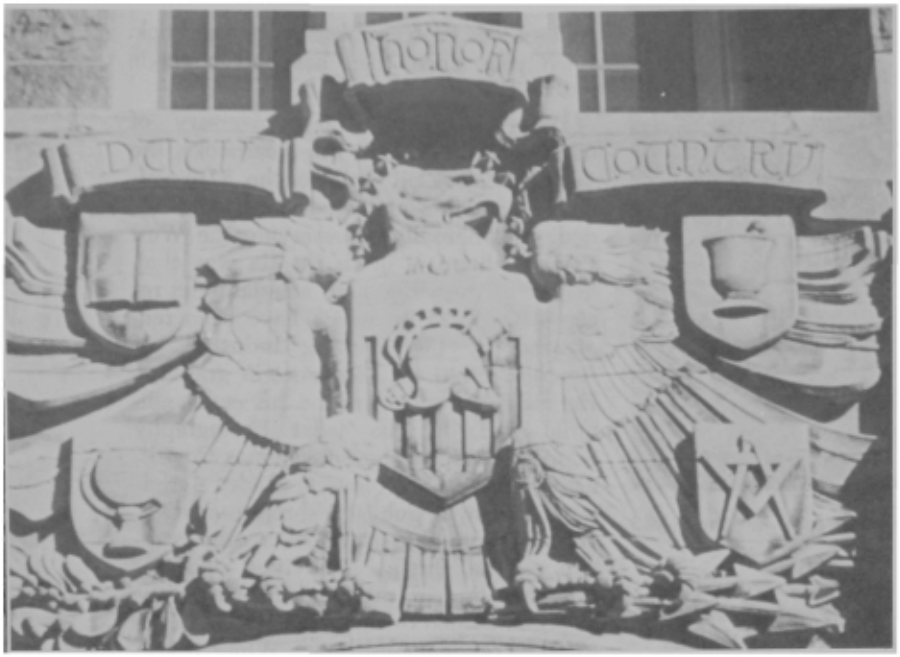

MORAL PHILOSOPHY

The following essay is the transcription of a lecture delivered to the Class of 1987 by Professor Konstantin Kolenda, McManis Professor of Philosophy at Rice University and Visiting Professor in the Department of English, USMA, 1983-1984. The lecture, which was part of cadet instruction in the core philosophy course (PY 201), exemplifies the background provided cadets for the moral inquiry associated with their professional education and ethical development.

MY text for this lecture is a sentence from the New Testament. "He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake shall find it." (Matthew 10:38) Jesus is telling his listeners that to make their lives good they must not be concerned about themselves but about things that God would want them to do. The phrase "for my sake" condenses all those things that Jesus, as God's messenger, wanted people to seek in life. Just what these things are can be gathered from other statements in the Scriptures. But we will not concern ourselves with the nature of values the Christian religion recommends to its adherents. For our purposes it will be sufficient to pay attention to the *form* of the quoted passage. The form looks paradoxical, for it says: if you want to find a good life for yourself, don't look for *it* but for something else instead. To find your life you must lose it. Paradoxes, however, are not always unenlightening. Indeed, as someone observed, a paradox may be a truth which stands on its head in order to attract attention.

Our Scriptural passage loses its paradoxical air when we put some commonsensical interpretations on it. It can be translated into plausible approximations, such as the following. To become good you must seek the good of others. To become lovable you must love others. To raise your own stature as a person you must invest your energy not in yourself but in worthwhile projects. Those persons deserve most praise who are the least self-concerned.

A genuinely loving concern for people presupposes a respect for their automony and dignity. Thus we can add one more version of the idea which the New Testament is conveying: one acquires dignity by acknowledging the dignity of others.

In this lecture I will try to show that our passage contains an important insight about morality, namely, that morality is *bipolar*. A person gains moral stature by performing selfless acts for the sake of others. Another way of making the same point is to say that morality consists in taking an interest in the interests of others. One cannot achieve morality by aiming directly at something good for oneself, but only indirectly through aiming at the good of someone else. In trying to satisfy one pole of the moral demand, namely the desire to be a good person, we must satisfy the other pole of that demand, which calls for promoting the good of others.

The New Testament insight does not stand alone. It has been confirmed in many a brilliant ethical theory. What we shall do now is to take a look at four eminent ethical theorists who repeat and reinforce the insight that morality is indeed bipolar. Covering a span of two and one-half millenia, these theories come from different corners of the Western world. We shall examine the views of an ancient Greek, a German, an Englishman, and an American.

Our first theorist is Socrates. He was notorious for his practice of examining the beliefs on which people act. It bothered him that it is common for people to be careless about their beliefs. All too often this carelessness results in doing harmful things, to others and to oneself, Socrates relentlessly brought to the surface customary ways of justifying beliefs and actions, in the hope that such an examination may make our behavior more rational, more defensible in the light of our best knowledge. This activity got him in trouble, however, because not everyone takes kindly to being questioned on such matters. Some powerful people, believing themselves to be discredited, took offense at his questioning. They found it threatening not only to their reputation but also to the well-being of the Athenian society as they understood it. Their animosity to Socrates was so great that they accused him before the court of corrupting the youth and undermining traditional religion.

The upshot of this accusation was that Socrates was condemned to death. Shortly before the execution his friends tried to convince him that he should escape from prison and had made all the necessary arrangements for it. But even though Socrates agreed with his friends that the verdict against him was unjust, he refused to leave the prison. He did not deny that his survival was important to his family, his friends and disciples, and even to himself, but in his view all these obligations were outweighed by another one, namely the laws of Athens. These laws personified the Athenian community as a whole. Socrates believed that all transactions between an individual and society must be conducted within the framework of a moral bond. This bond is established when some rights and obligations become reciprocal. Organized as a state, the society provides the individual with some goods which only the group can provide: security, protection, education, and many other service institutions. By virtue of being a beneficiary of all these, Socrates believed that he incurred an obligation to respect and protect the framework of social practices as specified in the law.

That obligation requires a citizen to be willing to submit to a judgment lawfully made about him by society. If the laws of the state allow a member of the community to be put to death and if the verdict is arrived at in a proper manner, then a moral law-abiding individual is obligated to obey the verdict. If he does not, he is doing violence to the society and in so doing he is putting himself outside its laws. Of course, to the very last he has the right to insist that he is innocent and that the society is making a serious mistake in imposing on him such a verdict. If, however, he has been given ample opportunity to defend himself in court, to try to persuade and convince his peers that he is innocent, and still has failed to

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IN THE CORE CURRICULUM:

The Bipolarity of Morality

change their minds, it would be wrong of him to take the matter into his own hands, even with the help of willing friends. Taking the matter into his own hands would prove that his membership in the Athenian community was only conditional, subject to basic reservations: he is willing to obey the law only when the community agrees with him as to what is good for it, in other words, only if the community takes *his* opinion to be the ultimate verdict of what is right.

Under such conditions there would be no morality. For there to *be* morality, one must show, in actions and not just in words, that one is willing to acknowledge the authority of a judgment other than one's own. One must also believe that that authority can function morally in a long run. If Socrates had no hope and no expectation that Athens could function as a viable society but instead would transform its citizenry into a band of outlaws and criminals, then the situation would be quite different. A citizen who has lost all faith in the future moral health of his society has no reason to persist in his loyalty to it. However, only in rare and extreme cases is an individual justified in concluding that his society is no longer worthy of allegiance and support, in other words, that it is no longer capable of being a moral community. This is not to say that a suspicion of the moral rightness of what is done on behalf of the country is always groundless, as many Americans suspected to be the case with regard to our involvement in the Vietnam war.

Like Jesus after him, Socrates did not believe that evil should be repaid with evil. His community was about to do him harm, ultimate harm. But he did not feel that this gave him the right to harm in return. He was the first Western philosopher to see clearly that morality rests on the reciprocity of rights and duties, and that moral community exists only when this is recognized. In that sense, Socrates can be said to have *created* the concept of morality. His theory relates *two* conditions. First, in order to function at all, a person needs the goods which only community can provide—security, institutions, companionship, along with a variety of cumulatively produced economic and cultural goods. Second, all these goods and values can survive and flourish only if persons comprising the community show in their behavior that they appreciate the benefits they receive and are willing to stand by and defend the community that has made these benefits possible. This is what Socrates was willing to do for Athens; he was even ready to die to help it survive. But even in his death he did not surrender his judgment as to what the community should be like, and so managed to remain true both to his community and to himself. Thus, in being willing to lose his life for the sake of values he deemed paramount, he gained not only fulfillment and peace of mind for himself, but also the gratitude and admiration of subsequent generations.

In making a leap forward to modern times, we will consider the views of Immanuel Kant, an 18th century German philosopher. Kant saw morality as a struggle between nature and reason. According to him, the moral problem is to make sure that our motives for action are neither a mere result of our natural inclinations, nor determined for us by external circumstances. We can avoid that, concluded Kant, if we subject our desires, emotions, and external influences to a special test. Ask yourself whether a given desire or motive can be universalized, that is whether it can be made into a general rule. Suppose you have an impulse to cheat on an exam. Is it rational to allow this impulse to prevail? It does not take a genius to figure out that cheating is an instance of deliberately misrepresenting facts, or creating the belief that the answers given on the exam are your own. This means that cheating is a form of lying, of distorting the truth.

But if you lie, would you like to be lied to? It takes a little imagination to see that to acquiesce in being lied to is to deprive oneself of reliable information that only others can supply. Secondly, what would happen to the practice of sharing information if lying became universal, that is, if you were never sure whether what you are told is really true? If you discovered that what you are told is true 50% of the time, you couldn't confidently act on that information. And if you knew that the information was more likely to be false than true, you wouldn't even bother to *ask* for information, and no one would ask you either. The very practice of communicating would become pointless and would soon disappear.

Kant called this test the Categorical Imperative or the Moral Law. When people subject their desires and inclinations to the Categorical Imperative, they in effect create a moral community. Such a community comes into existence when each member of it subscribes to a set of moral principles out of respect for the way of life these principles make possible. That way of life transforms both poles of the relationship: the individual and the community. Moral values are maintained by the commitment to treat them as universally valid. Among such values are truth-telling, promise-keeping, protection of life and health, assistance in case of need.

Notice the obvious bipolarity of this arrangement: the values secured *for the individual* at the same time work *for the benefit of others*. In defending them for others, we make them available to our-

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ADMISSIONS SUCCESS STORIES

by JOE DINEEN, *Admissions Media Office*

ONE is a computer system analyst from New York, the other an airline pilot from the state of Washington. They are separated by 3,000 miles, a three-hour span in time zones and an immeasurable diversity of background and professional experience. Yet, LTC Paul Kelly of Cohoes, NY and COL Charles Welsh of Federal Way, WA are linked by a common goal—the desire and dedication to help enroll the brightest and most outstanding students in the nation at the United States Military Academy.

Both men are very successful in their efforts.

These Army reserve officers are just two persons in a vast network of admissions participants who provide the assistance needed to carry the West Point message to many high school students throughout the United States who expect to attend a college or university.

It is a message that explains the opportunity available to young men and women at the USMA: an outstanding college education, valuable leadership experience, a promising career of service ot their country.

LTC Kelly is a graduate of Siena College in Loudonville, NY and COL Welsh is a 1961 graduate of West Point. Despite this difference in college background, both firmly believe in the mission of the Academy—to develop the character, leadership and intellectual foundation that will serve young men and women well in the pursuit of a service career.

"I joined this program several years ago because I saw it was an opportunity to do something I really enjoy as well as help my alma mater," says COL Welsh. "Working with these young men and women is also very satisfying to me. They are simply outstanding young people, perhaps better qualified than I was when I came to West Point."

LTC Kelly has worked in the capital district in Albany for the past four years and echoes those identical sentiments. "This Academy admissions program requires a great deal of dedication, but the reward is personal satisfaction," says LTC Kelly. "At certain times of the year it can almost become a second job. We work with some candidates for a year, and others for two years. They almost become part of your family.

"Even when these students are successful in gaining admission, you just don't lose track of them," adds LTC Kelly. "I follow them throughout the four-year cycle and I still come down to West Point each year for Plebe-Parent Weekend. I track my time in this program with the classes, and this year my first Plebes are now First Classmen, so this is a very special year for me."

Kelly is a systems analyst for the New York State Office of Mental Retardation. He was commissioned a second lieutenant through the ROTC program following graduation from Siena College and spent three years on active duty, serving with the Combat Developments Command Experimentation Center at Ft Ord, CA. Following completion of his tour of active duty, LTC Kelly commanded a QM company in an Army reserve unit in Schenectady for five years, but his frequent travel throughout New York hampered his reserve commitment. As a ready reservist LTC Kelly was eligible to participate in the West Point admissions program and accepted after being contacted by COL Bert Weinberg. He served as COL Weinberg's associate for one year before assuming the responsibilities of area coordinator for the capital district area in 1982.

The capital district encompasses 108 high schools, both city and rural, and a population of more than one million residents. The fair share number of cadetships expected from an area of this size in the Northeast is six to eight per year. (Chart I) During the four years LTC Kelly has been associated with the program, the number of cadetships has doubled and tripled the expected fair share figures. Interestingly enough, during the past two years 40 students received offers of admission from the capital district and 37 accepted. In addition, just two of those 37 cadets have resigned from the Academy since entering.

LTC Kelly's responsibilities do not end with USMA. He is a member of the service academy nominating committee for Congressman Gerald B. Solomon and meets youngsters seeking nominations for all four academies. In every case, LTC Kelly placed a great deal of value on meeting the student in person. "You may look at a student's record, but you really don't know that student," says LTC Kelly. "You see his grades, but you don't really know what the young person's career aspirations may be or what his attitudes are regarding the challenge of attending a service academy. I view the interview as an important aid to the Academy admissions staff, helping them make their determination for offers of admission. It also keeps me busy. From October through December I may have a student in my home

CHART I

NEW YORK

(J & K Capital District near Albany)

Population: 1,019,530—.45% of U. S. Population of 225.3 Million
Annual Fair Share Range of Cadetships: (6-8)
Number of Active High Schools: 108

	Class of '88
Applicants	95
Interviews	45
Offers	18
Enrolled	17
USMAPS Accepts	1

CHART II

STATE OF WASHINGTON

Population: 4,109,626—1.82% of U. S. Population of 225.3 Million
Annual Fair Share Range of Cadetships: (25-26)
Number of Active High Schools: 311

	Class of '88
Applicants	257
Interviews	86
Offers	38
Enrolled	30
USMAPS Accepts	1

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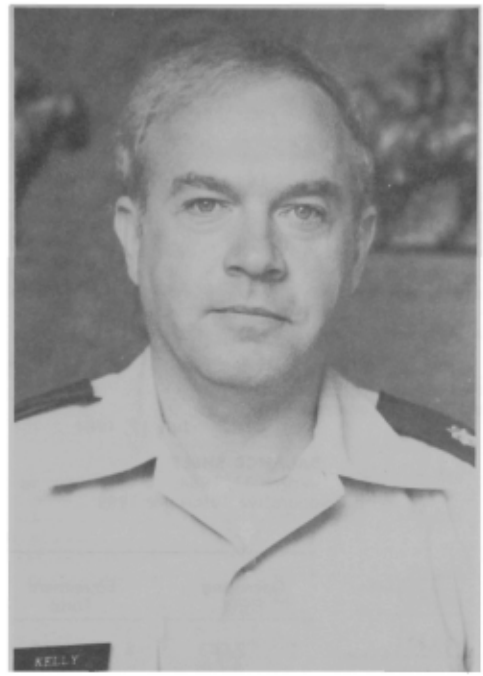
COL Charles Welsh



LTC Paul Kelly

COL Al Rushton

Monday through Friday evenings and two students on Saturday and Sunday.

"This is not a typical situation," adds LTC Kelly. "I have many more interviews because Congressman Solomon wants all the members of his nominating committee to meet each candidate before the committee meets as a group. Consequently, I am interviewing young men and women who are not only interested in West Point, but in the Naval Academy, the Air Force Academy and the Coast Guard Academy."

COL Welsh spent 8½ years in the US Army following graduation from West Point in 1961, including two tours in Vietnam where he was a spotter pilot responsible for adjusting artillery fire and calling in air strikes on the enemy. After leaving the Army, COL Welsh joined Northwest Airlines in 1969 and now is a co-pilot on 727 jets and the second officer on 747 jetliners. He recently completed 20 years of service with the Army reserve, serving with the 124th ARCOM where he coordinated all reserve flight activities from San Francisco north through the Pacific Northwest area.

COL Welsh has had great success as the area coordinator for western Washington and will serve as state coordinator for the Class of 1989 cycle. As a whole, the state of Washington had one of its finest years during the Class of 1988 admissions cycle. Thirty cadets were enrolled at USMA, the largest contingent ever and the best record west of Colorado. (Chart II) COL Welsh's three areas provided 19 of those 30 students, while 23 offers of admission were made. In addition, the number of files initiated in this area increased by 28, indicating additional student interest in West Point. This area encompasses nearly 140 high schools. As state coordinator COL Welsh will be responsible for the admission efforts in more than 300 Washington high schools.

Both of these Army reserve officers cannot achieve this level of success in admissions to USMA without assistance. Many field force members help them in their efforts. In addition, cadets play an important role through their participation in the Cadet Public Relations Council (CPRC). Both LTC Kelly and COL Welsh use them extensively in their admission efforts.

In the capital district, LTC Kelly enlists the aid of all 43 cadets now attending West Point from that area of New York. They voluntarily give up one day of their Christmas leave to visit high schools and meet students who may have an interest in West Point. "I have found that cadets participating in the CPRC program are as good if not better than I am at carrying the West Point message to eligible high school students," says LTC Kelly. "They can relate to them more effectively and they seem to enjoy it. In our area we invite the cadets and their parents to a holiday party, and the very next day the cadets make their high school visits. It is a very successful and enjoyable event for us."

COL Welsh also has made successful use of the CPRC program and has a good working relationship with the personnel at Ft Lewis, WA. In fact, he coordinates an Army career day in the spring for admissible candidates, which has proven effective. Students have an opportunity to see Army personnel at work in the aviation, artillery and infantry. They view an aviation simulator and see how the computer has been integrated into artillery fire direction. They also see the day-to-day activities and responsibilities of infantry officers.

"We have found our career day to be a very successful admissions effort," says COL Welsh. "It gives a student a chance to see the career options available following graduation from West Point, at least on a limited basis. I also feel it is helpful in getting some of the 'fence-sitters' to make a final decision."

LTC Paul Kelly and COL Charles Welsh provide two examples of how the efforts of the Admissions field force contribute in a very positive way to the selection of each new class. Their efforts are paying dividends since the quality of each class continues to improve, as well as the rate of retention.

"It takes special dedication and a great deal of hard work by our field force to make this a successful admissions program," says COL Manley Rogers, Director of Admissions. "The demands on our liaison officers and our admissions participants can be unreasonable at times. The field force provides an important personal communication link between West Point and the candidate, helping nurture the candidate's understanding and interest in our programs. Many times the only reward for the hours of work is the satisfaction of watching a candidate gain admission, progress through four years of academics, graduate and be commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army.

"The role men like Charlie Welsh and Paul Kelly play in admission of an outstanding class should never be underestimated," adds COL Rogers. "The efforts and dedication of these men, and others like them, ensures quality classes for West Point in the years ahead."

During a recent interview, COL Al Rushton, Deputy Director of Admissions, also emphasized the valuable contributions by the field force and the need to continue these efforts in the future. Their efforts are sincerely appreciated because these men and women provide a vital communication link between West Point and candidates, parents, educators, and counselors throughout the nation. The Deputy Director added that West Point graduates and friends of the Academy who

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AUDITOR'S REPORT 1984

The Board of Trustees
The Association of Graduates of the
United States Military Academy

We have examined the balance sheet of The Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy as of March 31, 1984, and the related statements of revenue and expenses—operating fund, revenue and expenses—equipment fund, revenue and expenses—restricted funds and changes in fund balances for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

As described in Note 1, the Association's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the modified cash basis; consequently, certain revenue and related cash are recognized when received rather than when earned. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly the financial position of The Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy at March 31, 1984, and the results of its operations and the changes in its fund balances for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1, in a manner consistent with that of the preceding year.

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Certified Public Accountants

July 17, 1984

BALANCE SHEET
March 31, 1984
With Comparative Totals for 1983

	1984				1983
	Operating Fund	Equipment Fund	Restricted Funds	Total All Funds	Total All Funds
ASSETS					
Cash	$ 2,083	$ 768	$ 29,165	$ 32,016	$ 69,300
Accounts receivable	8,496			8,496	6,280
Due from broker					68,732
Inventories	170,078			170,078	132,001
Marketable securities (market value: 1984, $14,465,192; 1983, $13,830,826)	711,898	146,706	13,143,034	14,001,638	12,169,742
Other investments			70,500	70,500	62,222
Records Automation System under construction		126,112		126,112	106,827
Equipment, less accumulated depreciation (1984, $64,641; 1983, $60,954)		31,335		31,335	30,573
Other Assets			18,640	18,640	
	$892,555	$304,921	$13,261,339	$14,458,815	$12,645,677
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	$ 1,066			$ 1,066	$ 138,638
Deferred compensation	373,488			373,488	306,115
Fund balances	518,001	$304,921	$13,261,339	14,084,261	12,200,924
	$892,555	$304,921	$13,261,339	$14,458,815	$12,645,677

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES—OPERATING FUND
Year Ended March 31, 1984
(With Comparative Totals for 1983)

	1984		1983	
Revenue:				
Dues and membership		$ 21,905		$ 13,638
Contributions		19,832		18,498
Investment income		496,572		513,361
Reimbursements—alumni services		42,863		42,347
Sales—gift shop		242,707		221,108
Publications:				
Subscriptions		266,497		255,303
Advertising		12,100		12,200
Travel program		41,206		19,097
Miscellaneous		2,766		2,153
		1,146,448		1,097,705
Expenses:				
General and administrative:				
Personnel	$ 125,351		$ 114,829	
Awards and grants	11,983		3,508	
Investment management	23,201		13,876	
Alumni services—reimbursable	41,060		38,970	
Other	49,595	251,190	47,103	218,286
Publications:				
Personnel	78,722		83,354	
Manufacture and distribution	196,166		172,061	
Other	27,593	302,481	23,944	279,359
Alumni records, information and services:				
Personnel	118,433		101,944	
Other	28,867	147,300	31,019	132,963
Gift shop:				
Personnel	45,279		43,647	
Cost of goods sold	143,586		147,002	
Other	25,897	214,762	20,950	211,599
Development:				
Personnel	102,123		92,725	
Other	82,564	184,687	96,061	188,786
Travel program		21,433		7,193
Miscellaneous		7,305		11,282
		1,129,158		1,049,468
Excess of revenue over expenses		$ 17,290		$ 48,237

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STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES—EQUIPMENT FUND

Year Ended March 31, 1984
(With Comparative Totals for 1983)

	1984	1983
Revenue:		
Investment income	$ 17,076	$ 23,664
Miscellaneous		15
	17,076	23,679
Expenses:		
Miscellaneous costs, not capitalized	3,604	14,330
Excess of revenue over expenses	$ 13,472	$ 9,349

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES—RESTRICTED FUNDS

Year Ended March 31, 1984
(With Comparative Totals for 1983)

	1984				1983
	Restricted by Board	Restricted by Donor	Restricted by Agreement	Total	Total
Revenue:					
Contributions	$ 8,787	$ 46,401	$ 981,283	$ 1,036,471	$ 1,010,479
Bequests	104,042		292,809	396,851	17,550
Investment income	578,106	45,361	534,256	1,157,723	757,740
Grants			29,448,	29,448	5,920
Royalties			880	880	22,740
Miscellaneous	11,723	30,343	1,652	43,718	5,790
	702,658	122,105	1,840,328	2,665,091	1,820,219
Expenses:					
Awards, grants and contributions	6,237	158,699	639,504	804,440	879,195
Administrative			5,148	5,148	4,066
Other	2,266		662	2,928	5,601
	8,503	158,699	645,314	812,516	888,862
Excess of revenue over (under) expenses	$ 694,155	($ 36,594)	$ 1,195,014	$ 1,852,575	$ 931,357

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year Ended March 31, 1984
(With Comparative Totals for 1983)

	1984							1983
			Restricted Funds					
	Operating Fund	Equipment Fund	Restricted by Board	Restricted by Donor	Restricted by Agreement	Total Restricted Funds	Total All Funds	Total All Funds
Revenue	$ 1,146,448	$ 17,076	$ 702,658	$ 122,105	$ 1,840,328	$ 2,665,091	$ 3,828,615	$ 2,941,603
Expenses	1,129,158	3,604	8,503	158,699	645,314	812,516	1,945,278	1,952,660
Excess of revenue over (under) expenses	17,290	13,472	694,155	(36,594)	1,195,014	1,852,575	1,883,337	988,943
Fund transfers:								
Operating surplus	(187,631)	23,000	66,500	25,000	73,131	164,631		
Reimbursement for services	197,334			(22,343)	(174,991)	(197,334)		
Other	(1,932)		3,957	(15,922)	13,897	1,932		
	25,061	36,472	764,612	(49,859)	1,107,051	1,821,804	1,883,337	988,943
Fund balances at beginning of year	492,940	268,449	5,413,305	493,631	5,532,599	11,439,535	12,200,924	11,211,981
Fund balances at end of year	$ 518,001	$ 304,921	$ 6,177,917	$ 443,772	$ 6,639,650	$13,261,339	$14,084,261	$12,200,924

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a—The Association maintains its accounts principally on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements; however, adjustments are made to record depreciation and receivables and payables arising from gift shop operations. Adjustments are also made for any significant receivables and payables arising from unconsummated transactions.

b—Marketable equity securities are carried at cost or, in the the case of gifts, at fair market value on the day of receipt. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are included in operations.

c—Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (primarily the first-in, first-out method) or market.

d—Equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line method using a ten-year useful life except for equipment acquired prior to March 31, 1976, which has been fully depreciated.

e—The Association occupies offices which are located in Cullum Hall at the United States Military Academy. Such space is provided to the Association without charge, and no amounts for the use of such donated premises are provided in the financial statements.

2—Property and Equipment

The following presents the property and equipment of the Association:

	March 31, 1984	March 31, 1983
Equipment	$95,976	$91,527
Less accumulated depreciation	64,641	60,954
	$31,335	$30,573

Depreciation charges to operations for the years ended March 31, 1984 and 1983 amounted to $4,710 and $4,041, respectively.

3—Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities consisted of the following:

	March 31, 1984 Operating Fund	March 31, 1983 Total All Funds
Sales and payroll taxes payable	$ 954	$ 728
Amount due Chemical Bank under option investment plan		128,105
Amount payable for purchase of annuity contracts		9,805
Other	112	
	$ 1,066	$138,638

4—Deferred Compensation

The Association has entered into contracts with its chief executive officers whereby it will set aside a specified amount to be paid upon the officers' retirements. Total charges to operations for the years ended March 31, 1984 and 1983 amounted to $39,492 and $41,362, respectively.

5—Pension Plan

The Association has a noncontributory pension plan covering all employees who have attained age 22 with more than one year of service. All past service costs are fully amortized and no contributions to the plan have been made during the years ended March 31, 1984 and 1983. A comparison of accumulated plan benefits and plan net assets at April 1, 1983 is presented below:

Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits:	
Vested	$232,300
Nonvested	16,800
	$249,100
Net assets available for benefits	$417,900

The weighted average assumed rate of return used in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits was 6%.

6—Tax Status

The Association is exempt from federal income tax in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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THE WEST POINT FUND... Supports the Corps of Cadets

THE purpose of the West Point Fund, known as the Superintendent's Fund prior to 1972, is to provide for programs and projects of benefit to the Corps of Cadets and the Military Academy for which appropriated funds are not available. All gifts to the West Point Fund (WPF) from our graduates and friends are most welcome; but unrestricted gifts are especially useful in that they enable the Superintendent to use the monies for the Military Academy's areas of greatest need.

The Superintendent makes his decisions on the exact uses of WPF monies based upon the recommendations of his West Point Fund Advisory Committee. This committee is chaired by the USMA Chief of Staff, currently Colonel Ernie Cross, and has six other voting members from the USMA staff and faculty. Colonel Hawley Oakes, the Director of Alumni Affairs, is the secretary of the committee. Other members include the Associate Dean, Colonel Dave Phillips; the Deputy Commandant, Colonel Les Bennett; the Associate Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Mr. George Storck; and two members of the Academic Board, Colonels Gil Kirby and Donne Olvey. Colonel (Ret) Bob Strati of the Association of Graduates is a consultant to the committee. In June or July of each year the committee meets over several sessions to make its recommendations to the Superintendent for the use of approximately half a million dollars of unrestricted monies for the upcoming academic year.

By far the greatest current need for gift monies from the private sector is for the new Museum, which will be located in what is now called Rosary Hall at New South Post, formerly Ladycliff College. Appropriated funds will be used to bring Rosary Hall to "administrative use" standards, but certain enhancements will be needed to make the facility into a first class Museum of which West Point and the country can be proud. The estimated cost of these enhancements is 2.6 million dollars. Another $400,000 is estimated to provide for a West Point Room, which is the first part of the Museum planned for reopening to the public. Other display rooms and galleries will also require private funding and may be appropriate as class gifts. Funds for the Museum will need to be committed by October 1986 when the overall package of enhancement to Rosary Hall goes to bid. The Superintendent has recently set aside $400,000 of unrestricted monies of the WPF for relocating the Museum to New South Post.

Another area of great need is for the Faculty Development and Research Fund (FDRF) of the West Point Fund. Its purpose is to provide funds for the development and improvement of the academic faculty and for academic research in areas where government funds are not available. This fund was created in 1972 with a gift of $20,000 from the Reader's Digest Foundation. Since then other gifts have been received, and the interest in the fund has been allowed to accrue. The Dean's goal is to allow the FDRF to grow until it becomes self-sustaining, permitting annual disbursements of about $35,000 without eating into the principal. Private funds allocated for faculty enrichment have added significantly to the West Point academic program. These funds enable the faculty to engage in research that has an instructional payback to cadets, and they provide for participation in academic seminars, conferences, and courses. Being a federally funded institution, the Military Academy is not competitive for grants from the National Science Foundation, HEW, and other government agencies which support this type of activity.

In 1979, the AOG, at the request of the Superintendent, took over responsibility for the *USMA Civilian Preparatory Scholarship Program*. All candidates who are

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WEST POINT FUND — PROGRAMMED EXPENDITURES 1984

	Amount Authorized	Restricted Available	Unrestricted Needed
PREPARATORY SCHOOL SUPPORT			
Scholarship Program	$56,900	$21,700	$35,200
ADMISSIONS			
Admissions Support	1,600	1,100	500
Equal Admissions Candidate Campus Visits	2,600	1,400	1,200
Admissions Participant Awards and Recognition Program	1,500	300	1,200
Recruiting Promotional Items	2,500	2,500	—0—
Hosting Support for Admissions	4,600	2,800	1,800
	$12,800	$ 8,100	$ 4,700
CADET ACTIVITIES			
Support of over 30 Cadet Extra-curricular Clubs & Activities (Cadet Fine Arts Forum, Rabble Rousers, WKDT, Sailing Team, Slum and Gravy, Cycling Team, Sport Parachute Club, Cadet Hop Bands, Computer Science Seminar, Riding Club, Cadet Glee Club, Gospel Choir, Cadet Chapel Choir, Mountaineering Club, Catholic Choir, Orienteering, Various Club sports and Honoraria for other Clubs & Activities)	$148,850	$ 40,882	$107,968

	Amount Authorized	Restricted Available	Unrestricted Needed
ACADEMICS			
Faulkner Concordance Conference	$ 24,000	$ —0—	$ 24,000
SCUSA	20,400	10,600	9,800
Senior Conference	10,000	5,200	4,800
Operations Crossroads Africa	15,000	15,000	—0—
Library Acquisitions	2,500	—0—	2,500
	$ 71,900	$ 30,800	$ 41,100
ATHLETICS—ODIA			
Athletic Training Trips	$ 94,500	$ —0—	$ 94,500
New Sports Complex	49,500	—0—	49,500
Football Highlights Film	30,000	—0—	30,000
Track Scoreboard	20,000	—0—	20,000
	$194,000	$ —0—	$194,000
CHAPEL FUND			
Annual Alumni Memorial Organ Recital	$ 1,000	$ —0—	$ 1,000
MUSEUM			
Relocation	$200,000	$ —0—	$200,000
	$685,450	$101,482	$583,968

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THE COM REPORTS...

by BG Peter J. Boylan,
Commandant of Cadets, USMA

IN the last "COM REPORTS," my first as Commandant, I told you of my priority to ensure that the Corps of Cadets possessed leadership qualities and the discipline necessary to accomplish any mission. I concluded by suggesting to you that I felt "an excitement in the air that comes only from a belief in what is being done and in the quality of its accomplishment." I am pleased to report to you that the expectation of "excitement in the air" is becoming a reality.

Leaders are seldom able to watch a successful operation and objectively identify the specific things that caused its success. Such is the case with the Corps of Cadets. Certainly the success of our football team and other teams have contributed markedly to the electricity that everyone notices in the Corps. Winning and cadet support is infectious as evidenced by the records of our other Army teams. Men's Cross Country is 8-1; Women's Volleyball is 20-3 (won last 12); 150 Football is undefeated and leading their league; Men's Tennis and Soccer both have winning seasons; Women's Tennis is 6-0; and Baseball had the most wins ever in the off-season (19-7), winning the last 9 of 11 games. During Spring Leave they will train with the New York Yankees at Fort Lauderdale. I have been extremely pleased with the spirit shown by the Corps in their support of their classmates on the "fields of friendly strife." This success, I believe, is a mere indicator of changing attitudes at West Point and among the Corps of Cadets. Attitudes which, once directed in a positive way, will later bear fruit as commissioned service begins.

No one should doubt that our values have remained unchanged at West Point. We know that the basic tenets of Duty, Honor and Country are not good just because they are old. Indeed, they are old because they are good. We are encouraged by the research that shows our incoming New Cadets continue to value those basic tenets that the Long Gray Line has so dearly embraced these many years. So what is the challenge? If indeed attitudes are to change, then it is incumbent upon me to encourage behavior that is positive, constructive, and developmental. Many leaders in the behavioral field hold to the belief that attitude change will follow behavior change. Changing behaviors is one of my missions.

I have focused on attitudes and behaviors because I believe those are either helpers or handicaps for young people striving for excellence. Obviously, we want them to be helpers. The more we succeed in inducing cadets to strive for excellence, the greater their rewards will be, and they will see how a leader's job is made easier and more fulfilling. For if you believe that motivating people to do what they normally would not do is one of the challenges to leadership, then it follows that if people will do these things of their own will, then you have imbued a sense of excellence in them. I am endeavoring to do this with the First Class.

I'm sure each Commandant for years has been enjoined by the First Class leadership to "let us run the Corps." While recognizing that our cadets are officers-in-training and they need mature, experienced guidance, I am striving to give the First Class the rein they seek, yet hold them accountable for their behaviors. If the First Class cannot live up to the Army's golden rule "lead by example," then should we expect any less of them as lieutenants? Leading by example does not mean taking advantage of newly gained privileges to leave West Point, abrogating one's leadership responsibilities. I am also concerned for the availability of sufficient leadership opportunities for the First Class and as a result, am considering a number of alternatives. I will report on this in a later column.

Just as creating an Army of Excellence is a long term process, so too is doing that for the Corps of Cadets. Yet the process must start somewhere. The timing is right, the raw material is strong, and the furnace is capable of producing high quality steel. Your alma mater continues to produce graduates that make us all proud.

I have included some photographs taken this summer during Cadet Basic Training (Beast Barracks), just so you could see for yourself those proud, young faces who are just beginning to find their place in the Long Gray Line. I think you will agree that they look just as anticipative, excited, alert, and tentative as we once looked.

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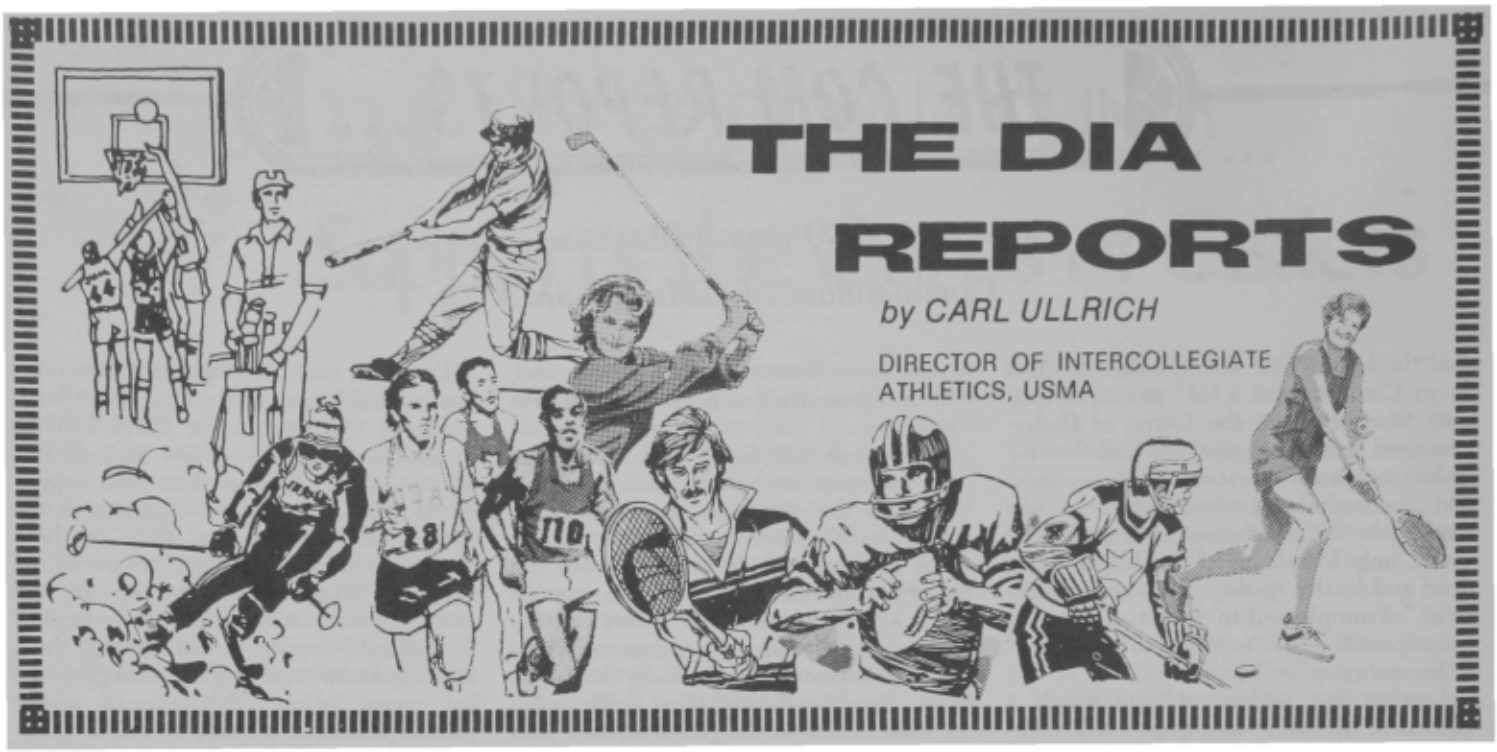

THE DIA REPORTS

by CARL ULLRICH

DIRECTOR OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS, USMA

THERE is an old song that many of you may remember called "What a Difference a Day Makes." I might amend that song to "What a Difference a Year Makes."

It has been an exciting, exhilarating, and inspirational fall here at West Point, and I hope many of you have shared at least one Saturday with us. The football team's performance has been rewarding, but equally exciting and inspiring has been the tremendous support of the Corps of Cadets. There truly has been a 12th man this fall, and I think every one of our players and all of our coaches would state that this has indeed been a factor in the team's success.

No words can adequately indicate my true admiration for Jim Young and the great job he has done in rejuvenating our football program. As I have said here and elsewhere many times, he had all the credentials of a winner when he came and nothing that happened in the 1983 season made me feel any differently about the certainty of his ultimate success here at West Point. His reaction to that terrible fall has been inspiring to everyone, and the moves that he made around our strength and conditioning program, meal supplements, and in the area of recruiting have begun to bear fruit. We will continue to harvest the fruits of these efforts for our football program in the years ahead.

The season is a little over one-third of the way as I write this and, of course, many things can happen. I believe that our team and coaches are endeavoring to take each game as it comes and treat each one as if it is "the season." I have heard our players talk that way in our post-game interviews with an ability to keep a perspective on what we have done. We can then approach what *remains* to be done in a proper frame of mind. This has been a real hallmark of this group of athletes and coaches.

After our resounding win over Colgate there were some questions like "What's a Colgate?" Colgate is an excellent team, always high on the rating list of Division IAA schools, coached by a winner and an expert in his own right with a quarterback who is truly of pro prospect caliber. Our team had pointed for that game virtually since November of 1983 and they were not to be denied. The headlines of Sassaman, Black, Lampley, et al, were made possible by the great job done by our offensive line and by the truly heroic efforts of our defensive team.

It is often said that a tie is like "kissing your sister"—such was not the case with our tie against the University of Tennessee. Most gratifying of all to me was the disappointment felt in the locker room at our not having won the game by successfully completing our final drive. Although I have heard some comments about Jim's decision to go for the extra point vice "to go for two to win," I never thought that he would do anything else, and believed as he did that our kids had played too well to lose. We did, indeed, have an opportunity to get the ball and to score and with just a few more seconds available might have done just that. The true team effort was inspiring to observe!

After the exciting events of Knoxville, a letdown against Duke would not have been hard to understand. Although we might have been a little flat, we did not

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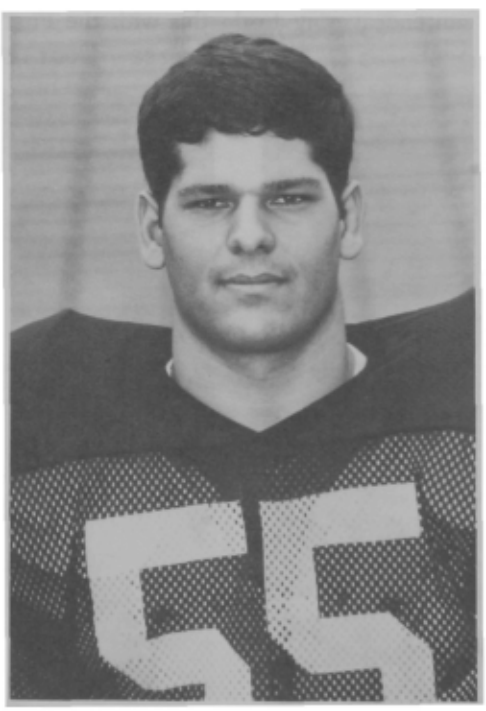
Nate Sassaman '85



Jim Gentile '85

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USMA WINTER VARSITY SPORTS SCHEDULE

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	30	at Spartan Cutlass Classic	
Dec	5	MANHATTANVILLE	7:15
	8	at Holy Cross	2:00
	28-29	at Longhorn Invitational	
Jan	2	at Siena	8:00
	5	at LaSalle	4:00
	8	FORDHAM	7:15
	10	MANHATTAN	7:15
	14	ROBERT MORRIS COLLEGE	7:15
	16	at Fairfield	8:00
	19	ST. PETERS	2:00
	22	at Manhattan	8:00
	24	YALE	7:15
	26	HOLY CROSS	2:00
	30	at Dartmouth	7:30
Feb	2	LASALLE	2:00
	5	at Fordham	8:00
	7	ST. FRANCIS (PA)	7:15
	9	IONA	3:00
	12	FAIRFIELD	7:15
	14	at Iona	8:00
	16	at St. Peters	
	23	at Navy	3:30
	26	NIAGARA	7:15
Mar	2	at Metro Playoffs	

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	16	CONCORDIA/MONTREAL (Exhib.)	4:00
	20	SIENA	4:00
	24	at Philadelphia Textile	7:00
	27	at Iona	6:00
	29	EAST STROUDSBURG	4:00
Dec	4	MERCY	4:00
	7-8	at So. Conn. Tourn.	6:00
Jan	2	at Air Force Academy	7:30
	5	CALIF. POLY STATE	2:00
	8	CW POST	4:00
	10	MT. ST. MARYS (MD)	4:00
	12	at Adelphi	5:30
	16	at Molloy	7:00
	17	UTICA	4:00
	23	at Pace	7:00
	26	at NY Tech	7:00
	30	at Mercy	5:30
Feb	1	at Yale	7:30
	2	at CW Post	5:30
	6	ADELPHI	4:00
	8	IMMACULATA	4:00
	9	MOLLOY	1:00
	12	at Utica	7:00
	14	ST. MICHAELS	4:00
	16	PACE	1:00
	20	NY TECH	4:00
	23	at Navy	1:00
	26	EMP. ST. CONF. PLAYOFFS	

HOCKEY

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Oct	26	RYERSON TECH	7:00
	27	RYERSON TECH	2:00
	31	ELMIRA	7:00
Nov	3	at Lowell	3:30
	10	NORWICH	7:00
	13	at Union	7:30
	17	at Colgate	7:30
	18	at Cornell	7:30
	23	HARVARD	7:00
	24	DARTMOUTH	7:00
	27	PRINCETON	7:00
Dec	1	MIDDLEBURY	7:00
	7	at R. P. I.	7:30
	8	at Vermont	7:30
Jan	4	CLARKSON	7:00
	5	ST. LAWRENCE	7:00
	11	at Brown	7:30
	12	at Yale	7:30
	19-20	at Buffalo	7:30
	23	BABSON	7:00
	26	HAMILTON	7:00
	29	at Williams	7:30
Feb	2	ST. ANSELMS	7:00
	6	TRINITY	7:00
	9	R. M. C.	2:00
	14	at A. I. C.	7:15
	16	MERRIMACK	7:00
	23	at Babson	3:30
	26	HOLY CROSS	7:00

GYMNASTICS

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	17	at Cortland	2:00
Dec	1	at U. Mass.	1:00
	7-8	at Farmingdale Invit.	7:00
Jan	12	LOWELL/LIU	1:00
	19	at E. Stroudsburg	1:00
	26	TEMPLE	1:00
Feb	2	SPRINGFIELD	1:30
	9	at Syracuse	1:30
	23	NAVY	1:00
	27	at Princeton/So. Conn.	7:00
Mar	2	M. I. T.	2:00
	8-9	at EIGL's	7:00
Apr	11-13	at NCAA's	7:00

MEN'S SWIMMING

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Oct	26-27	at Penn State Diving Inv.	
Nov	17	USMA INVITATIONAL	8:00 AM
	27	at Fordham	3:00
Dec	1	CORNELL	2:30
	5	at Monmouth	3:00
	8	HARVARD	1:00
	27-5	at Christmas Training/ Puerto Rico	
Jan	12	at Princeton	2:00
	19	at Yale	1:00
	26	VILLANOVA/U. MAINE	1:00
	30	RUTGERS	3:00
Feb	2	COLUMBIA	1:00
	9	at Dartmouth	4:00
	16	U. OF PENN	1:00
	23	at Brown	1:00
Mar	2	NAVY	1:00
	7-9	at EISL's (Brown Univ.)	
	28-30	at NCAA's (Univ. of Texas)	
Apr	2-6	at USS Sr. Natl. Champs.	
	9-13	at USS Jr. Olympic Champs.	

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Oct	26-27	at Penn State Diving Inv.	
Nov	16	MONTCLAIR STATE	4:00
	17	USMA INVITATIONAL	8:00 AM
	27	at Fordham University	3:00
Dec	1	CORNELL	11:00 AM
	5	at Monmouth College	3:00
	8	LASALLE UNIVERSITY	4:00
	27-5	at Christmas Training/ Puerto Rico	
Jan	12	BINGHAMTON/SKIDMORE	2:00
	23	at Manhattanville	7:00
	26	at St. Johns University	1:00
	30	RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	3:00
Feb	2	BOSTON COLLEGE	4:00
	9	at Columbia University	2:00
	16	at U. of Connecticut	2:00
	21-23	at ECAC Championships (LaSalle College)	
Mar	1	NAVY	4:00
	14-16	at NCAA Div. II Champs.	
Apr	2-6	at USS Sr. Natl. Champs.	
	9-13	at USS Jr. Olympic Champs.	

SQUASH

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	10	at Navy Invitational	8:00 AM
	28	FORDHAM	4:00
Dec	5	at Wesleyan	4:00
	6	at Princeton	7:00
	8	STONY BROOK	2:00
Jan	2-6	at Bermuda Nat'l. Team	
	11	at Williams	4:00
	12	at Harvard/M. I. T.	2:00
	19	U. PENN	1:00
	25	at U. of Rochester	
	26	at Cornell/F&M	7:00
	27	at Hobart	12:00
	29	VASSAR	4:00
Feb	2	DARTMOUTH/LEHIGH	12:00
	6	at Yale	4:00
	13	at Columbia	4:00
	23	at Navy	11:00 AM
Mar	1-3	ISA's	

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	17	NY TECH/MARIST/ LAFAYETTE/FORDHAM	1:30
Dec	1	HARVARD	1:00
	8	SETON HALL/CW POST	1:00
Jan	20	at Yale Invitational	
	25	at Millrose Games	
	27	at Cornell University	
Feb	3	at Princeton Relays	
	8	at New England TAC Meet (Boston Univ.)	
	9	WP CLUB & COLLEGE INV.	7:00
	14	NAVY	3:30
	23-24	at Heps (Cornell Univ.)	
Mar	2-3	at IC4A's (Princeton Univ.)	
	8-9	at NCAA's	

WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	17	NY TECH/MARIST/ LAFAYETTE/FORDHAM	1:30
Dec	1	HARVARD	1:00
	8	RUTGERS	1:00
Jan	20	at Yale Invitational	
	25	at Millrose Games	
	27	at Cornell University	
Feb	2	at Princeton Relays	
	8	at New England TAC Meet (Boston Univ.)	
	9	WP CLUB & COLLEGE INV.	12:00
	23-24	at Heps (Cornell Univ.)	
Mar	8-9	at NCAA's	

WRESTLING

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	4	WP OPEN	12:00
	10	at Trenton State Open	
	17	at Springfield Invit.	11:00 AM
Dec	1	at Princeton/S. Hall/ J. Madison	12:00
	5	at Yale University	2:30
	7	AIR FORCE	7:00
	8	SPRINGFIELD/ST. LAWRENCE	1:00
	12	SO. CONNECTICUT	4:00
Jan	5	at Montreal Open	
	11	RIDER COLLEGE	4:00
	12	LAFAYETTE/F&M	1:00
	18-19	at NY Collegiates	9:00 AM
	26	LEHIGH	3:00
Feb	2	at N. Hampshire/Rhode Island/(WNE College)	12:00
	9	at Rutgers/Wilkes/ Coast Guard	1:00
	16	at Harvard/Brown	12:00
	23	NAVY	4:00
Mar	1-2	at EIWA's (Princeton Univ.)	
	14-16	at NCAA's	

PISTOL

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Nov	3	AIR FORCE/M.I.T./CITADEL	8:30 AM
	10	V.M.I./NORWICH/ R.P.I./NJIT	9:00 AM
Dec	4	at Coast Guard Academy	8:00 AM
Jan	12	at Sam Houston State Univ.	8:00 AM
	26	at Ohio State Univ.	8:00 AM
Feb	9	NRA SECTIONAL	9:00 AM
	23	at Navy	10:00 AM
Mar		at NRA Nationals	TBD

RIFLE

Date		Opponent	Time—PM
Oct	13	PENN/CORNELL/ COLUMBIA/PCPS	10:00 AM
Nov	3	AIR FORCE/COAST GUARD	8:30 AM
	9	at Xavier Tournament	2:00
	10	at East Kentucky Tourney	12:00
	11	at Kentucky Tournament	8:00 AM
	17	KINGS COLLEGE	10:00 AM
Jan	12	at M. I. T.	8:00 AM
	19	ST. JOHNS UNIV.	10:00 AM
	26	NRA SECTIONALS	8:00 AM
Feb	2	WP INVITATIONAL	8:00 AM
	9	at West Virginia	
	23	NAVY	10:00 AM
Mar	2	at East Tennessee	10:00 AM
	14-16	at NCAA's (M.I.T.)	8:00 AM

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ARMY VS NAVY

The Great Steamboat Race of '85

Be There!

Tradition has it that in 1870 a group of Naval Cadets sailed up the Hudson and challenged West Point Cadets to a boat race—which was changed to a game of marbles—which was changed to a game of baseball (sorry, no records exist to identify the winner). And it was from this 1870's challenge that the competition between these two great institutions was born.

Well, from June 27, 1985 through July 7, 1985, we're going to do that Boat Race...And, we're going to beat their pants off... And, I need you to be there to help us win!

It will be Army vs Navy for a ten night journey from New Orleans, up the mighty Mississippi to St. Louis. It will be ten nights of fun, excitement and competition aboard the Legendary Delta Queen and Luxurious Mississippi Queen; America's only overnight passenger Steamboats.

Be there when we beat them in the watermelon eating contest.
Be there when we beat them in the fixed speed maneuvering race.
Be there when we beat them in the battle of the bands.
Be there when we beat them at golf and tennis.
Be there to help our Alumni Association beat them in the many competitions that are planned.

I know you'll want to be there for the great food, the nightly dancing and riverboat style entertainment, the historic shore tours at places like Vicksburg, Natchez, Memphis, etc. and a host of on-board activities. We've been waiting since 1870... so be there!

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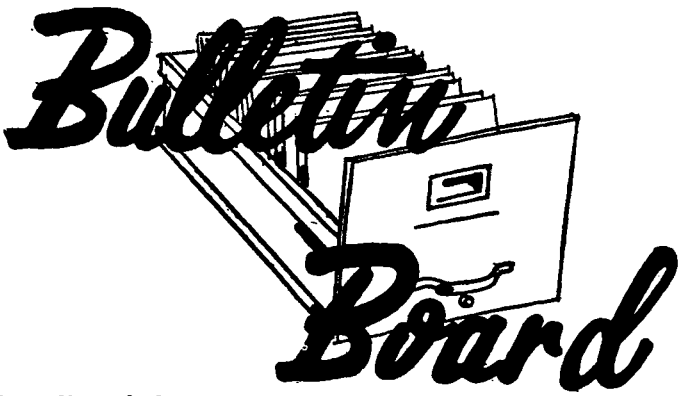

Dosa Named First Captain

Cadet Brian L. Dosa was named first captain and brigade commander of West Point's 4,720 member Corps of Cadets. A dean's list student throughout his career at the Academy, Dosa currently has 3.83 cumulative grade-point average, beginning his senior year. In high school, he was president of the National Honor Society and graduated first in his class. He attended West Nottingham Academy in Colora, Maryland, but now calls Newark, Delaware, his home. He is the son of Dr. C. J. and Mrs. Judith Dosa. Senator Matthias of Maryland nominated him to the Academy.

At West Point, Dosa is very active in both sports and cadet activities. The new first captain has participated in intramural football, basketball, track, and squash. He is also active in the Navigator's Club and the Domestic Affairs Forum.

An impressive leadership background since joining the Corps contributed to Dosa's being selected brigade commander. As a fourth classman, he served as the brigade commander for Plebe Parent's Weekend. In cadet advanced training, he participated in Cadet Troop Leadership Training, helped upgrade tank ranges in Grafenwohr, West Germany, and most recently earned airborne wings at Fort Benning. Last year Dosa worked as a squad leader and academic corporal in Company F-3, and this summer was the regimental commander of Cadet Basic Training, first detail.

Dosa will be assisted during the year by Cadet Michael Foley (Pasco, WA), the deputy brigade commander, and Maureen Finnessy (West Salem, OH), the brigade executive officer. Regimental commanders include Scott Sullivan (Wappingers Falls, NY), 1st Regiment; Karen Short (Peekskill, NY), 2nd Regiment; Stephen Bruch (Richmond, VA), 3rd Regiment; and Keith Landry (Burton, SC), 4th Regiment.

Northrop '72 selected as one of the OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN OF AMERICA

The Board of Advisors for the Outstanding Young Men of America recently announced that Major John H. Northrop '72 was among those selected for 1984.

The Outstanding Young Men of America program recognizes the achievements and abilities of men between the ages of 21 and 36. The criteria for selection include a man's voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments, and civic and political participation.

Major Northrop, who was born 1 Jan 50 in Lima, Peru, attended Andover High School in Linthicum, MD and received a Presidential appointment to West Point in 1968. After graduating he completed Airborne, Ranger, and the FA Basic Courses before being assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division where he served as an FO and battery officer. After an assignment as commander of a NATO special weapons detachment and completing the FA Advanced Course, he attended the Georgia Institute of Technology where he received a Master's of Science degree in Organic Chemistry in 1981.

Major Northrop and his wife Mary have been active in community affairs, especially in religious activities and youth programs. While at the Academy he coached youth soccer for four seasons, and during his final year at USMA was head coach of the cadet women's soccer team, which had an 11-5-1 record. He is currently attending CGSC.

Westmoreland Vs CBS

"Good name in man and woman, dear my lord, is the immediate jewel of their souls."

Othello

In the historic trial which may be entering upon its third month in December, more is at issue than the good name of a single American commander. "The U.S. public's high esteem of the (American) armed forces . . . was tarnished as a result of the false and malicious charges (by CBS)," wrote General Maxwell Taylor in an unprecedented letter co-signed by Admiral Arleigh Burke, General Curtis LeMay and General Lewis Walt.

"Westy's 'Fourth War' is our war too," writes Mr. Bliss, Co-Chairman of *Veterans for Westmoreland.*

It is a landmark case. Presiding Judge Pierre N. Leval last summer overruled CBS' motion to dismiss the case, and hearings began Oct 9 in Manhattan. They may last several months. A jury of twelve men and women will decide the outcome, but it is expected that, no matter who wins, the decision will be appealed.

The contest has David-vs-Goliath aspects. General Westmoreland, whose courageous decision to sue the network colossus is being handled by the Capital Legal Foundation (CLF), a small, not-for-profit public interest firm staffed by half a dozen attorneys, is faced with escalating costs of litigation. CBS, with virtually unlimited resources including its own in-house legal staff, is represented by a firm having over 200 lawyers, one of the most prestigious on Wall Street. In addition, they have hired a public relations firm to defend their "image," and they appear to have sympathetic support from important elements of the media.

Few commanders have symbolized West Point, the U.S. Army and the military profession more to the American public, than Westmoreland. Cadet First Captain '36, troop commander in WW II and Korea, CG of 101st Airborne Division and XVIII Airborne Corps, and Superintendent, USMA, he could hardly have had better credentials for becoming our top American commander in Vietnam. That 14 years later he would be publicly accused of conspiring to deceive his superiors—and this by media who themselves did so much to undermine support for American forces fighting under his command—is a cruel irony. (The charge, if true, would have warranted court martial.)

In a letter published in the *Washington Post* (7 Oct) MG Herbert G. Sparrow '33 wrote, "The Founding Fathers rightly divorced our country's armed forces from politics, designating the President as their Commander-in-Chief. The American professional soldier, which surely General Westmoreland was and is, is apolitical (for which we may be grateful), and he is deeply imbued with qualities of integrity, loyalty, discipline and patriotism—all of which would militate against engaging in a conspiracy to deceive his superiors. Like other professionals of his generation, Westmoreland was steeped in those traditions and exemplified them to his troops—one of many reasons why so many are now rallying to support 'Westy's Fourth War.' "

This case does not concern General Westmoreland alone—it touches all of us. He needs our help, and he deserves it. An outpouring of support by veterans, active & retired military, and other Americans concerned with objectivity and integrity in the public media (notably TV) sustains him in his gallant fight. Please send your contributions (tax-deductible) to: Capital Legal Foundation, PO Box 33405, Washington, D.C. 20033.

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FREDERICK C.H. GARCIA, USMA PROFESSOR, DIES
Taught at West Point for 25 Years

Frederick C.H. Garcia, Professor of Portuguese at the United States Military Academy, died 19 October of complications following cancer surgery. He was 56 years old.

Dr. Garcia joined the Academy in 1959 as an Instructor of Portuguese, and became Assistant Professor in 1963, Civilian Professor of Portuguese in 1972, and Professor of Portuguese in 1982. He also served as Visiting Professor at Harvard University (1966) and New York University (1982).

Prior to coming to West Point Dr. Garcia was Chairman of the Portuguese Department of the Army Language School, Presidio of Monterey and Chairman of the Portuguese Department of the American School of Rio De Janeiro.

Dr. Garcia was born on January 15, 1928 in Sao Paulo, Brazil, to Jorge Hesse Garcia and Constance Annie Harrison. He was raised in Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro. He received his Bachelor's and Master's in Romance Philology from the University of Rio de Janeiro, his Doctorate of Portuguese from the University of Coimbra, Portugal, and a PhD from New York University.

Dr. Garcia was an active scholar who published and lectured widely in the United States, South America, and Europe. He was a member of the Overseeing Council of the International Association of Portuguese Scholars and of the Organizing Committee of the International Colloquium on Luso-Brazilian Studies. During his career he held many positions in the Modern Language Association, where he co-authored the Luso-Brazilian section of the annual *MLA International Bibliography* since 1980. He also was Chairman of the Luso-Brazilian Comparative Literature sections of the Northeast Modern Language Association, and Organizer and Chairman of the Luso-Brazilian section of the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference.

Dr. Garcia was author of nine books and more than 60 articles on scholarly topics. His *Visao Americano das Letras Brasileiras* won the first prize for nonfiction in a 1971 competition of the Brazilian Association of Professional Writers. His most recent book (with Edward Stanton) was *The Uruguay—A Historical Romance of South America. The Sir Richard Francis Burton Translation* (of the poem by Jose Basilio da Gama) (University of California Press, 1982).

Dr. Garcia was married in 1954 to Brazilian pianist Anezia M. Caracas. He is survived by Mrs. Garcia and three sons, Helio Fred, Thomas George, and Charles John, all of New York City, and his mother Constance and sister Violet Leao of Rio de Janiero.

Cadet Glee Club Concerts For 1985

Date	*Location*	*Point of Contact (Sponsor)*	*Phone*
11 Jan	Plattsburgh, NY	Ms. Lola Johnson	518-563-5222
3 Feb	West Point, NY	Winter Concert MAJ Wm. Mattfeld	914-938-2975
15-17 Feb	Chicago, IL	Mr. Mike Wimmer	312-661-6220
8 Mar	San Francisco Area	COL Sam Collins	AVN 586-2271
9 Mar	Reno, NV	Ms. Lynda Reid	702-827-2823
11 Mar	San Francisco Area	COL Sam Collins	AVN 586-2271
13-16 Mar	Honolulu, HI	LTC Len Katsarsky	808-734-2255
29 Mar	Johnson City, NY	Mr. W. David Jenkins	607-729-9211
30 Mar	Penn Yan, NY	Mr. James Long	315-536-4240
19 Apr	New York City	Union League Club, Mr. Wm. Otte	212-683-4370
19 May	West Point, NY	Graduation Concert	914-938-2975

*For specific details and/or required support, please call the listed point of contact.

Deyo '26 and Hurlbut '33 Make Gifts to West Point Pooled Life Income Fund No. 1

It has been some seven years now since the Association of Graduates was granted approval by the IRS to offer its members and friends the opportunity to participate in its first Pooled Income Fund. This Fund operates like a mutual fund except that contributions to it are tax deductible, and the AOG receives the principal remaining after the death of the life income beneficiaries. The Fund's investment objective remains to seek a high annual income for the beneficiaries. Its performance is one of the very best among Pooled Income Funds throughout the country, having exceeded a 10% annual payout for the past five years. Its highest rate was 12.78%.

The AOG is pleased to report two recent gifts to this excellent Fund. In each case the primary motivation was to do something for West Point, but the tax and income benefits are not to be ignored.

BG William J. Deyo, Jr. '26, and his wife are no strangers to our program of life income plans. They established a Charitable Gift Annuity with a gift of $14,000 in 1983. Then, in July of this year, they chose to join the long list of graduates and friends in the West Point Pooled Life Income Fund No. 1 (PLIF 1). This time the gift was 1,000 shares of Massachusetts Financial Development Fund, Inc., having a market value at the time of the gift of almost $12,000. There will be no capital gains tax on the highly appreciated assets, and they can expect an annual payout of around 11% (could be more or less) for the rest of their lives. The return (dividends) from their mutual fund was only 2.9%; Forbes magazine had given it a "D" rating in a down market. Another benefit for the Deyos is that they can take an income tax deduction of over $4,700 this year as a result of the gift. Having taught business administration at the college level for 16 years, General Deyo is not one to buy a "pig-in-a-poke" when it comes to investments. The AOG, which manages this successful planned giving program, appreciates the continued participation by General and Mrs. Deyo.

The other recent gift to our PLIF 1 was made by LTG Oren E. Hurlbut '33 and his wife. Their gift was about 1,800 shares of a very profitable mutual fund. The original cost basis was around $3,000, and the market value at the time of the gift was over $60,500. There is no capital gains tax whatsoever in the $57,000 of capital appreciation. According to U.S. Treasury Tables, they are entitled to take an income tax deduction of about $12,800 this year because of the gift. They can expect a generous income, around 11% of the market value this year, from the units of PLIF 1 which they purchased. General Hurlbut has been a member of the AOG Board of Trustees since 1975.

It should be recognized that gifts to our West Point Pooled Life Income Fund, or any other life income plans, are irrevocable and that West Point receives the remaining principal after the last life income beneficiary has died.

Inquiries concerning this family of plans may be made to Colonel Richard L. Gruenther, Director of Planned Giving, Association of Graduates, West Point, New York 10996.

A Gift of Stock to the West Point Fund

A growing number of individuals are finding the stock gift as an attractive means of giving, particularly if the asset is one which has appreciated considerably during the time it has been held. The donor is entitled to an income tax deduction for the market value of the stock on the date of the gift. Additionally, the capital gains tax on the appreciated value of the stock is avoided by the gift. A total of 56 stock gifts with a value of over $307,000 has been received by the West Point Fund in the past three years.

One way to make a stock gift is for the Association to open an account with the donor's broker to which the gift may easily be transferred. Upon notification from the donor of his/her intent to make the gift, the AOG will open an account and provide its Tax Identification Number. Alternatively, a stock

Our Association membership of 29,601 represents over 96.7% of our living graduates.

Graduates and former cadets who are not now members of the Association are cordially invited to contact the Executive VP for the appropriate application form.

His address:
Executive Vice President
Association of Graduates
West Point, NY 10996

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gift can be made by forwarding the certificate, unsigned, by registered mail to the AOG. A stock power must be signed by the owner, guaranteed by proper authority at his/her local bank and forwarded separately. A third procedure would be for the donor, through the transfer agent for the stock, to arrange for a certificate to be issued in the name of the West Point Fund. That stock certificate can then be forwarded to the AOG.

Stock gifts, as with all other gifts to the West Point Fund, can be restricted to support a program of the donor's choice or unrestricted to support a program having the greatest need. Should you have a question concerning any aspect of giving to the West Point Fund of the AOG, write or phone Colonel Robert A. Strati '55 (phone reverse, 914-446-5773).

Losey '72 Wins Silver Medal in LA—Greenwald '12, our Oldest Olympian

In the last two issues of ASSEMBLY, we have carried articles to inform our readers concerning the performance of West Pointers who have represented the United States in Olympic competition. The publication deadline for the last ASSEMBLY in September did not allow us to announce the outstanding performance of Mr. Robert G. Losey '72, who won a silver medal in the team event for Modern Pentathlon in Los Angeles. Greg Losey, at 34, was the second oldest pentathlete in the competition which included 18 countries. He placed 13th in the individual competition and together with his teammates, Michael Storm (5th place individual) and Dean Glenesk (18th place individual), won the silver team medal behind Italy and ahead of France. In addition to his Olympic achievement, Greg Losey has been on five world modern pentathlon teams, a member of four national fencing teams, and the only American pentathlete to participate in the Spartakiade in Moscow in 1979. Our congratulations to Robert "Greg" Losey as the most recent Olympic medalist from the Long Gray Line.

We have also learned of the whereabouts of an old grad who was a member of the 1920 U.S. Olympic Equestrian Team. Colonel Karl C. Greenwald '12 competed as a member of the U.S. Equestrian Team in Antwerp, Belgium. Colonel Greenwald is now 96 years old and, perhaps, the oldest living U.S. Olympian. He lives in a retirement home, Morningside Manor, in San Antonio. In addition to being an Equestrian Team jumper, he was one of America's finest polo players in his day.

The Cabanatuan Memorials—A Status Report

An article in the Dec 83 issue of ASSEMBLY announced the purposes of the Cabanatuan Memorial Committee as being:

A. To complete a memorial at the site of the Japanese Prisoner of War Camp which was located near the City of Cabanatuan in Central Luzon and to dedicate it to the memory of the nearly 3,000 Americans who died there while prisoners of war;

B. To construct a "companion" memorial at the same site to honor the 60% of all the West Point graduates, who having served in the Philippine Defense Campaign (8 Dec 41–6 May 42), lost their lives in combat against the Japanese or while captives or prisoners of war; and

C. To raise the funds needed to meet the construction costs of the projects envisioned and to provide for the memorials' future maintenance.

As has been true since the committee's efforts were initiated in 1981, we continue to receive essential support and cooperation from individual Filipinos, their veterans organization—the Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor—and authorities and agencies at local, provincial and national levels of the Philippine government. A major part of the construction, maintenance and other costs required at the memorial site to date have been underwritten by our Filipino friends and their organizations. These expressions of support and comradeship merit our special attention inasmuch as they have been for projects designed principally to honor our American dead.

The committee is especially indebted to Colonel "Tony" Chanco '38, Chairman of the Board of Vinnell-Belvoir Corporation, a highly regarded general contracting firm with headquarters in Manila. Tony and his firm's department heads have assisted us in refining our plans, have placed us in touch with capable contractors having an interest in bidding competitively for the work we need, and are advising us during our negotiation of contracts. They will also monitor the progress of the construction undertaken at the memorial site to assure contractor compliance with our requirements.

We anticipate the completion of the West Point monument bearing the names of the 178 West Pointers being honored, the West Point Gate and our other construction no later than early Apr 85. As a consequence a group tour which will include the dedication of the Cabanatuan memorials and visits to areas on Luzon which figured importantly during the Philippine Defense and Philippine Liberation Campaigns is being scheduled for late Apr–early May 85. Extensions to the basic tour will permit visits to Baguio, to Leyte and Mindanao, to Hong Kong or to Hawaii. Those interested in more information concerning these tour options should contact Valor Tours, Ltd., Schoonmaker Building, Sausalito, CA 94965.

In conclusion we wish to thank those whose contributions to the Cabanatuan Memorial Fund have brought us within 30-35% of our requirement to meet construction and maintenance costs. Further contributions, which are tax free, should be made in favor of the Cabanatuan Memorial Fund, P. O. Box 13505, Orlando, FL 32859—Chester L. Johnson '37, Cabanatuan Memorial Committee Chairman.

Class of 1988 Sons and Daughters of USMA Graduates

AT THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY:

Cadet	*Parent*	*Class*
Richard Marciniec	W.F. Marciniec	1948
Milo L. Rowell	M.D. Rowell	1950
Gregory McIntyre	G.W. McIntyre	1953
Stephen J. Brophy	J.J. Brophy	1953
Joseph J. Volpe	J.J. Volpe	1953
Anthony L. Olvey	L.D. Olvey	1955
James D. Anderson	J.L. Anderson	1956
Craig A. Raymond	C.L. Raymond	1957
Vincent C. Bons	P.M. Bons	1958
James L. Peck	J.W. Peck	1958
James T. Isacco	M.D. Isacco	1959
Matthew C. Moellering	J.H. Moellering	1959
Mark D. Bidgood	F.C. Bidgood	1960
Marilou A. Jilbert	G.R. Jilbert	1960
Frederick L. Rice	F.C. Rice	1960
Scott D. Clarke	R.D. Clarke	1961
David J. Dluzyn	D.A. Dluzyn	1961
Gregory H. Graves	H.D. Graves	1961
John G. Hoaas, Jr.	J.G. Hoaas	1961
Robert H. Kewley	R.H. Kewley	1961
David W. Martin	J.M. Martin	1961
Robert E. McCarthy	R.E. McCarthy	1961
Peter Stoneham	L.J. Stoneham	1961
Jude P. Bilafer	M.F. Bilafer	1962
Keith R. Garwick	G.G. Garwick	1962
Robert E. Hamilton	E.A. Hamilton	1962
Kevin J. Kriesel	M.E. Kriesel	1962
Scott D. Landry	J.R. Landry	1962
William L. Boice	W.M. Boice	1963
Aaron M. Kuzemka	N.W. Kuzemka	1963
James E. Sorensen	J.E. Sorensen	1963
Timothy R. Vara	R.F. Vara	1963
Gregory Anderson	N.L. Anderson	1964
Hugh F. Boyd	H.F. Boyd	1964
Douglas Crissman	K.W. Crissman	1964
Ellen S. Dexter	R.P. Dexter	1964
Michael W. Johnson	M.W. Johnson	1964
Michael T. Tetu	R.G. Tetu, Jr.	1964
Paul F. Barber	P.F. Barber	1965
Christopher Barkley	J.R. Barkley	1965
Steven S. Harman	S.C. Harman	1965
David P. Bruner	E.F. Bruner	1967
Michael F. Burns	J.K. Burns	1967

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AT THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY:

Midshipman	*Parent*	*Class*
Galen R. Negaard	G.R. Negaard	1955
Frederic W. Malek	F.V. Malek	1959
John K. McInerney	R.N. McInerney	1960

AT THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY:

Cadet	*Parent*	*Class*
Stephen Noel Hall	G.E. Hall	1946
Sam C. Barrett	S.B. Barrett	1953
Thomas Conrad Gilster	H.L. Gilster	1953
Mary Elizabeth Seiler	R.F. Seiler	1953
Daniel Roy Dennis	D. Dennis	1954
Christopher John Beoddy	J.J. Beoddy	1955
James Nicholas Seaward	R.S. Seaward	1960
John Richard Trickett	F.R. Trickett	1960
John Cage McCurdy	R.A. McCurdy	1961
John O. Turnage, Jr.	J.O. Turnage	1961
Carl Michael Magnell	C. Magnell	1961
Lee Hayward Wood	J.H. Wood	1965

Respect for our Flag

From Dallas—Dan Walker, Natural Disasters Manager in the Southwestern Division Emergency Management Office, was walking by the Dallas City Hall on Wednesday afternoon, 22 August. The Republican convention was in full swing. The President was in town. Protestors, in weird garbs and shouting obscenities, were staging a protest in front of City Hall.

That's when it happened. The protestors burned an American flag. When the protestors had completed burning the flag and spitting on it, they and the news media moved on. Walker did not. The 1953 USMA graduate knelt down and began collecting the bits and pieces of the burnt flag.

"They have no respect, no respect," he said softly. "It's a shame."

"They don't make polyester like they used to," jeered a departing demonstrator at Walker.

Ignoring the demonstrator, Walker finished gathering the burned flag and walked slowly away. "I plan to bury it," said the 56 year old Southwestern Division employee. "I think that is the proper procedure."

A Dallas television camerman saw what Walker was doing and filmed the action. A local newspaper reporter and photographer shot a picture of Walker picking up the charred pieces and wrote a piece about it for the morning paper. Walker's actions, seen on television and read about in the local newspaper has resulted in his receiving numerous telephone calls and letters from people commending him for his action.

West Point Society of New York

The West Point Society of New York is beginning its fifty-eighth year of service and activities in support of West Point. This year's activities began with the Society's traditional "Kick-off Luncheon" at which Coach Jim Young gave Society members and their guests an inside look at the upcoming Army football campaign. The Kickoff Luncheon is the first in the Society's annual series of luncheons at which prominent speakers from the military, government, industry, the media and the sports world speak. The Society's Program Committee Co-Chairmen Jim Gardner '66 and Dan Collier (associate) promise another exciting and informative slate of guest speakers.

In addition to the luncheon schedule, the Society will again host its annual Founder's Day dinner, an annual Hudson River cruise and various special programs such as the past "Salute to Sousa" held at Carnegie Hall which raised funds for the West Point Museum.

The Society is headed this year by President Dave Young '55. He is assisted by Tom Barron '65, First Vice President, Nat Gallagher '50, Second Vice President, Richard Chappo '76, Treasurer, and John Connors '70, Secretary. While the Society's membership currently numbers over 800, new members are always welcome. Membership information can be obtained by writing to the West Point Society of New York c/o Ms. Ellie Covan, Ayers Whitemore & Co., Park Avenue Plaza, 55 East 52nd Street, New York, New York 10055, or by telephone at (212) 724-7400.

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missiles in place of land-based missiles with multiple warheads.

Secondly, arms control agreements can provide arms race stability—that is they can limit and reduce the nuclear arms competition both in functional areas and in numbers and types of weapons.

A prime example of this is the ABM Treaty—the most important arms control agreement which the United States has entered into and the only one which has been ratified by the United States Senate. It bans nationwide defense against ballistic missiles. It thus prevents arms competition in an entire area of potential competition. This in turn has eliminated the incentives to build the offensive weapons needed to overpower or attack the opposing defense.

To date, the competition in offensive nuclear systems has been limited primarily by limitations on launchers of nuclear weapons. This has resulted in increased competition in the number of missiles with multiple warheads. The Scowcroft Commission has recommended that to improve stability, future arms control agreements should limit the number of warheads rather than launchers.

Limiting areas of competition and limiting and reducing the numbers of offensive nuclear weapons avoids, in both cases, costs which would otherwise be incurred in the absence of such agreement.

The cost avoidance potential of nuclear arms control agreements has a special relevance to the Army's ability to carry out its mission.

The United States must have sufficient nuclear weapons for nuclear deterrence. Beyond that requirement, resources used for nuclear weapons unnecessarily divert defense resources needed for conventional forces. As the Military Department with the primary responsibility to provide adequate conventional military strength to defend Western Europe and for other land conflicts, the Army has a strong continuing interest in avoiding unnecessary allocations of limited defense resources to nuclear programs. Already, in the President's 1985 defense budget request, strategic and theatre nuclear forces accounted for 22% of the total budget authority, more than the total requested for both Army and Marine land forces.

In spite of the benefits which arms control agreements can provide, there has been no progress in arms control during the last five years. The responsibility for this situation rests on both sides.

This lack of progress has been true although leading experts on the Soviet Union agree that it has a number of strong incentives to make arms control agreements. During this same period of stalemate there have been technological advances in weapons systems which could seriously undermine the stability of nuclear deterrence and the arms control process itself.

What are some of the principles the United States should observe in an attempt to restart an effective arms control process?

First, the U.S. should seek realistic goals. Radical reductions in, and fundamental restructuring of Soviet forces are not realistic goals, although significant changes may be achievable over a number of years. A comprehensive ceiling or ceilings on the total number of deployed nuclear weapons, both missile warheads and bombs, is a realistic although difficult goal. Preferably it should cover both strategic and intermediate range weapons. Agreements to fence off potential areas of competition where neither side has as yet made large deployments are also realistic objectives. The area of anti-satellite weapons is a good example. The Soviets have shown that they are particularly ready to avoid competition with the United States in high technology areas.

Second is the necessity of tradeoffs. To persuade the Soviets to accept significant

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restrictions on their weapons will require the willingness of the United States to accept restrictions of equal value to the Soviets. Because the forces of the two sides and their geographical positions are not symmetrical, and their doctrines are not the same, negotiating equal tradeoffs is difficult. However, the United States today has a number of programs which the Soviets are strongly interested in restricting. These include cruise missiles, ASAT weapons and elements of the Strategic Defense Initiative. Thus, the U.S. has material with which to make tradeoffs, if it is willing to use it.

Third is continuity of U.S. arms control policy. The United States has been an unreliable negotiating partner. It has signed, but failed to ratify, three arms control treaties: the Threshold Test Ban Treaty (1974), the Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaty (1976) and the 1979 SALT Treaty. It has indicated that it is holding open the question of how long to continue to abide by the 1979 SALT Treaty limits. And the Administration's Strategic Defense Initiative sets a goal which directly conflicts with the ABM Treaty.

The United States should make clear that it intends to adhere to existing agreements, and that it will build on the framework of existing agreements in seeking further limitations. It should submit the Threshold Test Ban and the Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaties for ratification.

I have tried to give you an overview of the role of arms control in managing the immensely dangerous nuclear weapons rivalry between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Military officers have and will continue to have a major role in setting arms control policy. This is so both because of the strong position which the Department of Defense has in the interagency process dealing with national security issues, and because of the weight which the Congress gives to the views of the military on these issues.

With this major role, goes a major responsibility. If arms control policy is to result in an effective process which reduces the risks of nuclear war, it will require the skill, expertise and problem-solving abilities of the best military minds. It will require assessment of weapons programs and arms control proposals, not from the standpoint of bureaucratic interests but from the standpoint of the national interest. It will require a net assessment of the relative long-term effect of deploying a prospective weapons system taking into consideration the likely response of the Soviet Union or of restricting its deployment in order to reach an arms control agreement. The criterion for decision should be whether a given action increases or decreases the likelihood of the use of nuclear weapons.

In the years ahead, many of you will have the opportunity to participate in these analyses and decisions. They will be challenging and, I hope, rewarding opportunities.

Arms control will remain one of the most difficult and demanding tasks which our country faces but also one which can make a critically important contribution to its security.

The Department of Law

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to develop the Military Criminal Law Library, including historical works. The leading commentator on military law has been Winthrop (LTC William Winthrop), Professor and Head of the Department, 1886-1890. *Winthrop on Military Law* is still the leading authority albeit edited by others. We appear to have some of his books, along with some of his notes as well as the notes of other Heads of the Department who have made great contributions in the field of military criminal law. We hope to have a definitive library in the field.

It would not be a complete statement of the Department without mentioning what the Department considers to be something unique. There has been only one man who has served West Point as an academic instructor, Commandant of Cadets, and Superintendent: MG Frederick A. Irving, April '17, who taught law in 1922-24, was Commandant of Cadets, 1941-42 and Superintendent of the Military Academy, 1951-52.

West Point Before The War

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marked became his attentions. At last he was made to understand his mistake and there was much merriment at his expense. We drove back, not only through the village, but to the very edge of the post, passing several officers on the way, and got back without being discovered. The affair was soon the topic of gossip, started, I suppose, by some love-sick cadet telling his sweetheart in strictest confidence what he knew. I heard some versions of it that I failed to recognize.

Our next and last visit to Spellman's was not a howling success. After taps one night, we placed in our beds dummies so skillfully constructed that they should at a glance have satisfied the curiosity of any reasonable inspecting officer who might by chance make the rounds that night, and, in company with a classmate, Dick Lord, went to Spellman's, where we rolled ten-pins, had a supper and a good time generally. On returning to the post just before daylight, we were challenged and heard the guard whisper: "You fellows have been inspected every half-hour since twelve o'clock." We knew then that we were in a bad fix, for the penalty for absence from quarters after taps, for half an hour, was dismissal. We were promptly placed under arrest, and a general court-martial was convened "for trial of Cadet Ferguson, of South Carolina, and such other prisoners as might properly be brought before it." We were found guilty, of course, and sentenced to be dismissed, but the punishment was changed to confinement within certain limits for some months, and to walk backward and forward, in front of the barracks, for ever so many Saturdays, equipped with essentials, while the other cadets were out enjoying themselves. For this leniency we were indebted to the active exertions of friends in Washington, especially to Senator Mason, of Virginia, and Senator Butler, of South Carolina. The two kept house together and the former was a relative of Fitz, while the latter was a friend of my father. After the sentence of the court had been promulgated, Colonel Lee sent for me and gave me a fatherly talk. I never shall forget how very kind he was. He told me of meeting my old father in Washington, who had made the journey there in my behalf, for he too was an old soldier, having served through the War of 1812 as aid-de-camp to Gen. Thomas Pinckney.

Soon afterward, Colonel Lee was relieved from duty at the Military Academy, and took command of a regiment of cavalry of which he was made colonel. We were truly sorry when he left, for his almost perfect character could not fail to impress all who came in contact with him. I saw him but once after he left West Point. I will digress a little to tell of it. I was at home in Charleston on furlough during the winter of 1859, when I received from his son, William Henry Fitzhugh Lee, an invitation to be one of his groomsmen at his marriage to Miss Carter, at Shirley, on the James River. Most of the wedding party went together by steamer from Richmond two or three days before the ceremony and were all entertained in true Virginia style at the plantation mansion. The young men were lodged in several outbuildings. I had a rare opportunity of seeing the great soldier in his home life among relatives and friends. One thing which I noted particularly was his extreme modesty—I might almost say bashfulness. His older brother, Mr. Carter Lee, told a capital story, sang a good song and was the life of any party of which he happened to be a member. After dinner, when the cloth had been removed and the old Madeira brought on, the ladies did not retire, as the custom was, but remained to hear Mr. Carter Lee's songs and stories. He would invariably toast the army and call upon Colonel Lee, the senior officer present, to respond, and everyone would repeat the call. The colonel would raise his glass of Madeira, bow to the company and take a sip of the wine, but never a toast would he give. I watched him closely, and upon my word, he blushed like a girl, yet there was no one present but relatives, except a few young officers, who had been under him at West Point.

In consequence of my having been suspended, Fitz was graduated from the Academy one year before me. My heart was sad when he left, for we had been as close friends as men could be. He wrote me often from Carlisle barracks, where he was first stationed. One of his letters gave a description of a bulldog which in my

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honor he had named "Wragg" (my middle name, at once adopted by the cadets as a nickname, and by which I was always known in the army). It seemed that one of the officers had a bulldog which whipped everything, so Fitz got a buggy and searched the country for miles to find a dog that could master the champion. Wragg was found and accomplished the feat.

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Of all the exercises at West Point, the cavalry drill delighted me most. I would gladly have drilled every day. When the riding lessons were commenced in the second year, to be compelled to sit up with a rein in each hand and go round the riding hall at a walk, or at the best, at a slow trot, was irksome work. At this time those who had never before mounted a horse were receiving their first lessons in the school of the mounted trooper. All cadets had to go through the same course in all departments with the exception of the mathematical course, and the first section of the class pursued the study of algebra somewhat further than did the others. This annoyance was compensated for when we got to shooting with pistols and cutting with sabers the stuffed heads in the riding hall, and to jumping and charging on the plain. Among the horses brought to the Academy for the use of the cadets was a lot of young ones from Canada; these were ridden first by the dragoons of a detachment stationed at the post. Among the horses was a handsome dark bay named Quaker. None of the dragoons could ride him, and Davant, a cadet from South Carolina, was called upon to break him, which he did, and Quaker became a celebrated horse. After Davant was graduated, several cadets in turn got him during their last year at the Academy, when the cadets were allowed to select their steeds for the year; among these were Charley Larned and Fitz Lee, then came my turn. He was the most delightful saddle horse I ever rode, but a perfect devil when he got mad, which would happen on the slightest provocation. I parted with Quaker with regret when I was graduated, and always inquired about him when I met any officer just from the Point. I rode him at the exhibition drill before the Board of Visitors and was much complimented by one of the board, the celebrated Texas ranger, Ben McCollough. Among the batteries captured by the Confederates at the first battle of Manassas was one drawn by horses from West Point, and we recognized several of them. I looked for Quaker, but did not find him. Davant, above mentioned, was an extremely powerful man, and by long odds the best swimmer of the white race I have ever seen, yet by a strange fatality he met a tragic death soon after he was graduated, while fording the Rio Grande on horseback.

After Fitz was graduated I roomed first with John S. Marmaduke and afterward with S. Sprig Carroll, of Washington, D.C., both fine fellows whose friendship I enjoyed to the end of their lives. Marmaduke became a major-general in the Confederate army and Carroll rose to the same rank in the Federal army. Both Fitz and Marmaduke became governors of their respective States. After being graduated, the class went in a body to New York, where we had the customary frolic. In a day or two all had separated for their respective homes, many of us never to meet again, and some to meet as enemies on the battlefield. One thing of which all West Pointers felt proud was the brotherly love and kindness shown by both sides to fellow graduates when taken prisoners, or when otherwise in distress.

Moral Philosophy

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selves as well. Such an attitude is not disinterested, but neither is it egoistic. Only when the moral principles of the community are supported for their own sake, can they in turn be beneficial to any of its members. Only if a person is known to be an honest upholder of the principle of truth-telling, does he morally deserve to be told the truth. When Kant says that morality is autonomous, he underscores the fact that it exists as a free commitment of those who see its point, namely to create conditions under which the flourishing of the individual depends on the flourishing of the community.

A moral individual does not regard moral practices as something external to him but as his integral personal possession —he could not be himself without it. His own sense of well-being is very much tied up with being a member in good standing. Conversely, to be viable, the community needs such an attitude from at least most of its members. When individuals cease to respect the moral practices of the community, the very being of that community disintegrates. This is the sense in which morality requires reciprocity or bipolarity.

Kant didn't have much to say about the *kind* of life that a community of moral individuals might exhibit. We do have such a characterization from an ethical theorist much different from Kant, namely, John Stuart Mill. Mill defined moral action in terms of its consequences for human happiness. But his notion of happiness was very broad. He is famous for the distinction between the quantity and quality of pleasure. He did not deny that we act for the sake of pleasure, but he disagreed with his utilitarian predecessors in insisting that the *kind* of pleasure must be considered before the moral value of an action can be determined. As an empiricist, Mill was of the opinion that the differences among pleasures are a matter of experience. The judgment of the value of a pleasure depends on the scope of a person's experience. Those who know only a limited number of pleasures may be acquainted only with the lower ones. One must include the higher capacities of man. Why should one restrict oneself to the lower capacities, that is, capacities we share with other animals? Mill's appreciation of the poet's vision of reality, of more sophisticated reaches of reason, of more refined feelings and attainments, shines through in his eloquent depictions of human life in which a genuine striving for quality and excellence has its proper share.

Mill's defense of morality as a quest for superior values is reinforced in his ringing defense of individual freedom. In his essay *On Liberty* he argues that a society which allows individuals greatest freedom for self-expression and development is most likely to achieve political health and cultural growth. Conversely, he sees the suppression of individual liberties as the chief source of social and moral disintegration. If our aim is to improve society, we must remember that "the only unfailing and permanent source of improvement is liberty, since by it there are as many independent centers of improvement as there are individuals."[1] Here we have another instance of the view that there is an intrinsic connection between the well-being of the individual and that of society. In Mill's case the bipolarity of morality puts more weight on the individual pole. The society must forego direct or collectivist ways of aiming at general well-being; it has a better chance if it does not pursue that goal but entrusts its fate to the creative work of individuals. Not surprisingly, Mill's name is prominent in the hall of fame of liberalism.

The last theorist on our list is the American philosopher Josiah Royce, who died in 1916. A key idea of Royce's philosophy is the idea of community, the notion which, we may recall, was introduced into moral discussion by Socrates. As Socrates recognized that he would not be true to himself if he did violence to the Athenian community which made his life worth living, so Royce saw an intimate connection between the life of the individual and life of his society. To articulate that connection, Royce resorted to the idea of *interpretation*.

This idea can be used to characterize both the self and the community. What a person is depends on how that person interprets his or her own personal reality. According to Royce, "my idea of myself is an interpretation of my past—linked also with an interpretation of my hopes and intentions as to my future."[2] I am hardly a self at all, if I consider myself to be this passing moment of my life. To my past I am linked by my memory; my very sense of selfhood includes my remembered life. To my future I am linked by my anticipations and by my plans. For Royce, "our idea of the individual self is no mere present datum, a collection of data, but is based on interpretation of the sense, of the tendency, of the coherence, and of the value of a life to which belongs the memory of its own past."[3] We are most aware and sure of ourselves when we are called upon to choose a task and to accept responsibility for what we have done.

But to discover and to identify our individual interests, purposes, and goals, we need to interact with other persons; in other words, we need community. We come to know ourselves through a process

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of comparison, initiation, and emulation involving other persons. An isolated individual cannot rise to *self*-consciousness; he can see himself as a distinct person only in a social context. He needs others in order to discover the tendencies of his own heart and mind, to articulate his attitudes, and to formulate a life plan. Other people can act as mirrors in which we come to discover who and what we can become. This cannot be done by remaining locked within the confines of one's own consciousness.

At this point another of Royce's key ideas becomes relevant: the idea of *loyalty*. In his book *The Philosophy of Loyalty*, he argues that loyalty to loyalty is the most general ethical obligation. What does he mean by it? When we choose a life plan, we select among options made available to us through the ongoing effort of our community. To embark upon a career is to identify oneself with one or some of these ongoing human concerns, such as science, technology, business, military affairs, farming, some other form of economic production, the pursuit of art or of scholarship. To give content to one's individuality is to make a commitment to a career or a cause, and to remain loyal to it at least up to the point of achieving some degree of mastery or proficiency. The special distinction of humanity is culture, the deliberate creation and maintenance of forms or patterns of living that are deemed valuable, worthwhile, meaningful. By joining and being loyal to this ongoing process of creating human values, individuals find meaning in their personal lives. Our lasting satisfactions, claims Royce, come from acting out of loyalty to some worthwhile cause of the human community, and since that community is a result and function of former and present loyalties, morality for him consists in being loyal to loyalty.

Royce points to some examples of this spirit of loyalty in American history. "... those warriors who are rightly filled with this spirit are as well able to live in peace as in war; are, for instance, able even to surrender to the foe, when fortune and duty require them to do so—to surrender, I say, with the same calm dignity and unbroken courage that Lee showed in his interview with Grant at Appomatttox, and that inspired him in the years of defeat and of new toils through which he had still to live after the war. That is, the warrior, if rightly inspired, is as ready for life as for death, is as ready for peace as for war; and despises defeat as much as danger—fearing only sloth and dishonor and abandonment of service."[4]

The causes in which the spirit of loyalty can be manifest are numerous, and in that sense we are members of many communities. Loyalty has many forms—domestic, professional, political, commercial, or religious. Communities can be also distinguished in terms of their special orientation. There are "communities of memory," such as alumni groups or patriotic organizations. Or there are "communities of hope," oriented toward certain hoped-for goals, such as universities, military academies, or labor unions. But in spite of these special emphases, any community, being a historical form of life, shares both the common past and the common future, acknowledging among its special binding elements certain deeds or events of the past and certain anticipated and energizing goals in the future.

Some communities are truly universal, the scientific community, for example, which transcends all special interests and seeks knowledge for anyone, anywhere. On the other hand, narrowly conceived communities, formed for gain at the expense of others, even though at times they may further loyalty of its members to one another—there is honor among thieves—they nevertheless transgress against the principle of loyalty precisely because their effect on other communities is exploitative or destructive. That principle excludes any cause that encourages hatred, envy, jealousy, and suspicion, and promotes criminality, vandalism, swindling, and assassination.

Royce's ethical theory tries to avoid the twin distortions of collectivism on one hand, and atomic individualism on the other, and in so doing clearly exhibits its bipolar character. It aims at avoiding conditions under which individuals are either submerged in a collective, or waste their lonely and forlorn lives in an endless round of self-absorbed, largely trivial activities. Royce deplored all forms of togetherness in which persons feel to be accidental and external to one another, because their mutual relations constitute no essential part of them as persons. He wanted to encourage the emergence of an order in which an individual could feel that he was not just a cipher, easily replaceable by anyone else, but held a place to be filled by him alone and not just by any other individual. The model for such a community Royce saw in experiences of love and friendship. "When friends really join hands and hearts and lives, it is not as the mere collection of sundered organisms and of divided feelings and will that these friends view their life. Their life, as friends, is the unity which, while above their own level, wins them to itself and gives them meaning."[5] Royce uses friendship as a model for moral community because he sees the principle or interpretation to be at work in any reciprocally dependent human relationship. There can be a community of only *two* people—two friends, a couple, a partnership. In every case the nature of the relationship transforms the individuals who make it up.

The four ethical theorists we have considered are still remembered and studied today because, like the statement in the Scriptures, they have captured something centrally important about morality. All of them, I have claimed, have noticed that we cannot attain a good life by aiming at it directly. We need to look outside ourselves in order to find it. Because education is a process of deliberately exposing oneself to thoughts and activities that expand our horizons, it should heighten the contrast between what we are and what we might become. It is of course always possible to ignore that contrast and settle for a less demanding life. But, as Mill pointed out, it is "better to be Socrates dissatisfied than a fool satisfied. And if the fool, or the pig, are of a different opinion, it is because they only know their own side of the question."[6]

Kant's ethical theory also emphasized the polarity between what we want and what we ought to want, between our natural inclinations and considered rational judgments. By subjecting our wants and desires to constraints which ensure that our pursuits do not conflict with the needs and rights of others, we can be at peace both with ourselves and with others. The consciousness of being a moral agent, a person who in seeking his objectives can obey the deliverances of his own rational nature, is accompanied by a special feeling of self-respect. Everything in the world has a price but only a being who can act in accordance with morality has dignity. The motto of this Academy is Kantian in essence: performing one's duty bestows honor.

The third component of the Academy's motto leads us back to Socrates and to Royce. Both ethical thinkers, the ancient and the modern, connected a person's moral self-esteem with the allegiance to community, to one's country. Both believed that one's country is a community of interpretation. Neither advocated a blind loyalty to his community as it actually was, but had hopes and expectations that it could grow better. When Socrates defended his activities and his mode of life, he addressed not only the Athens of his time but also the generations to come, in the hope that the Athenian community would flourish morally and politically, living up to its reputation as a land of people who love wisdom and justice. In his time, Royce pursued his philosophical studies with an eye on the actual intellectual and social changes. In some of his writings he expressed his misgivings about such American phenomena as provincialism, prejudice in the race question, and preoccupation with monetary gain. Aaware of the likelihood that in the increasingly interdependent world America may be involved in many a war, he came up with a rather extraordinary scheme of insurance against war, according to which, in his own words, "the cause of world's peace would be aided if in the future the principle of insurance were gradually and progressively introduced into international business."[7]

Many of the problems confronting the United States have changed since the early years of this century when Royce was writing, but the process of interpreting the meaning of American community continues. The present generation cannot escape the task of determining what America stands for and what it stands by, how it is to handle its affairs at home and abroad, how it is to deal with its

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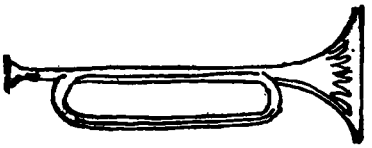

REPORT

. . . from the classes

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For the last ASSEMBLY, September 1984, the notes featured **Carey Brown's** 98th birthday when good friends raised their glasses on his honor and his continued good health. Now that he is gone, I am taken back to June 1910 when our Class marched to the dedication services for our beautiful new chapel. Why? Because for many years I have known that Carey and his family would lie in the shadow of the Old Chapel, which had been taken, stone by stone, to the original West Point Cemetery. When I suggested to Gwladys that I fly in for the services, she explained that they would be simple and graveside. Once again I have called Gwladys in Washington for her latest report: she is far from well, but is still at her old address with good nursing care.

So now we are ready for some good news. Two of our class grandchildren were united in marriage on 9 September 1984 at Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island, NY, in St. John's Church. The bride was Marion Hines, daughter of Charles B. Hines '37, and granddaughter of our Charles Hines. The groom was Alan Solbert, grandson of our Oscar Solbert. After the wedding a reception was held at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Solbert. Perhaps uniquely, the other two grandfathers were Naval Academy graduates. Alfred H. Balsley, USNA '14, was a grandfather of the bride and Admiral Alan Kirk, USNA '09, one of the groom.

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Evelyn D. Harris and her daughter, Felicia Peltier, died within the past few months. **Ethel Ganahl,** widow of our **Alfred L. Ganahl,** died in mid-1983. **Elva Covell,** widow of our **William E.R. Covell,** died in 1983, or 1984. Harold E. Small, Jr., died at his home in FL in Aug 83, of cancer; he was our Class godson. His wife, Louise Small, died of cancer just 3 weeks previously. The Class extends its sympathies to the families.

Dora Small will not attend our 70th Reunion in May 1985. Her new address is 4310 East Grant Road, Apt. 96, Tucson, AZ 85712. She informed me of the deaths of her son and his wife, above. Two sons and one daughter survive: H.E.S., 3rd, George, & Louise. The boys enlisted in the Army. Louise lives at home in VA.

Bruce Eloise Lorch, widow of our **Robert B. Lorch,** wrote about a nice summer, with temperatures in the 80's, during which they had the family reunion on 27, 28, and 29 July at Marriott Inn, Clarksville, IN, just across the OH River from Louisville. Thirty-six attended, among them was a childhood friend. Her younger brother, Robert, Jr., and his 2 daughters remained for a visit. She doesn't have much of a garden this year because of bad weather at the wrong time—mostly cabbage, tomatoes, zuchini, cucumbers, etc. She expects to attend our 70th Reunion in May 85. She visited Donna and Eric Wildermann '74, an instructor, at WP on June 1 and 2.

Lucy Fox, widow of our **Tom Fox,** is in reasonably good health, but not able to travel. She will be 90 in Dec. This information came from her son, Tom Fox, Jr.

Ida Ryder, widow of our **Charles W. Ryder,** wrote: "Dear Det—put it in your notes—I think you are **wonderful**—All these many yrs you have kept the Class going so well—we thank you. (I nearly omitted this part, but knew Ida would not like it if I did. Scribe). All goes well here. The move to FL has been most successful for me. Perhaps that is because a FL mobile home park is very much like an Army Post. We have our club where we can play cards, see movies, attend lectures, and have pot luck dinners. Best of all for me is the swimming pool which I can exercise in. I swim almost every day from Mar to Nov, or Dec. Sorry not to be with the classmates at their 70th Reunion. I have been a 1915er since 1913 when my brother introduced me to a Yearling named Ryder. I hope all will have a good 70th." (Ida's father was Henry Pratt Perrine '69; two brothers were graduates, '13 and Apr '17; her husband was '15; her son was '42; and her grandson was '70! Scribe).

Jack Harris is at Chevy Chase House, 5420 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20015.

Clifford Tate was in a hospital, but is now in a nursing home, as his doctors decided it would be too much for **Mary** to care for him at home.

John W. Leonard, Jr., son of our **John W. Leonard & Eileen Leonard,** was elected to the National Academy of Science/National Academy of Engineering. He will be installed in Oct. Eileen's grandson, John Crosthwait married Cynthia Jenkins in Jul 1984. Both are lawyers practicing in London. Eileen's granddaughter, Eileen Leonard Diekeemper, left on 10 Sept, with her husband and new baby daughter, for Singapore. Her husband is with CECO Engineering.

"Mina" **Pulsifer,** widow of our **George Pulsifer,** wrote that everything is pretty much the same as when she wrote last year. Her sister, Martina, sold her house and is living with her. She has no Class news, but she sends greetings to "1915."

Helen Wehman, widow of E. Edward Wehman, Jr., wrote that she had no Class news, but that she is quite well, for which she is greatly thankful. She and her husband attended several of our reunions. He was a Navy Officer in WW I and twice the mayor of Charleston, SC. She sent greetings to the Class.

Mary Larkin, widow of our **Thomas B. Larkin,** will attend our 70th Reunion. She recently returned from 2½ months with her daughter Jinny and her husband Hugh McCann—spent mostly in Ireland, with a short stay in France. Mary later wrote a letter to me that gives such an interesting account of the 40th anniversary of Normandy that I will quote most of it. "I have recently returned from spending 2½ months visiting Virginia & Hugh McCann in their house in Dublin. On 15 June we went by car and boarded the overnight ferry to Cherbourg, arriving there around noon. All of Normandy has really pulled out all the stops in celebrating the 40th anniversary (6 June) of the landing of the American, English, and Canadian forces. Beginning at Cherbourg, the flags of the 3 countries plus the French flag, were flying over the City Hall and other public buildings. Every hotel and restaurant was decorated in red, white, and blue in honor of the Invasion, and every bottle of wine was similarly decorated. It was really heart warming to see such a display of gratitude and affection on the part of the French for the liberation of their country. The purpose of our trip to France was to visit Hugh Larkin Mc Cann (my grandson) and his wife, and their two small children. They live just a few miles from Paris. On one of the afternoons of our visit Larey took his mother and me for a trip over Versailles and other interesting areas. He could not fly directly over the Chateau de Versailles (that is off limits). We did however fly over his own home, and we waved to the children who were playing in their garden. Naturally being so close to Paris, Virginia and I went in for some shopping, and to visit friends. You may remember that Tom and I were in Paris from 1953 to 1960 when he was head of the Mutual Weapons Program for NATO. Shortly after our return to Dublin, Betty and her husband, Rocky Rochfort '45, flew in from Italy to join the family group at the McCanns. The whole time that I was in Ireland, the weather was glorious—they were even wishing for rain—it had been so dry! Best wishes to the Class."

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Helene Lieb thanked me for the questionnaire about our 70th Reunion and wrote that she was returning it promptly to be sure she has not forgotten to do so (a new habit). "The years have been kind to me, but now approaching 90 have accepted occasional unexpected trips to the hospital—heart. Have returned a bit slower but still interested in everything. When I put a rose in my West Point vase your happiness together always comes to mind. My sincerest greetings to all including you two fine people. Very glad to hear from you." She cannot attend the Reunion.

I have not heard from **Midge Strong,** widow of our **Robert W. Strong,** so I'll quote what **Dora Small** wrote me about her. "Midge Strong is well. She lives in a retirement home just a few blocks from me. She is in good health, physically and mentally. I am the same. She is mentally alert. More so than I! We hope the 70th Reunion will be as successful as those in the past. We send our regards to ALL."

Hazel Taylor, widow of our **Thomas F. Taylor,** will not attend our 70th Reunion, but sends best wishes to all. She and "Squire" Taylor attended many past reunions. She has two daughters, and their families, living in the DC area.

Vernon Evans, Class pres, wrote: "I am still ambulatory but my walks are less frequent, shorter, and slower than those of last year. Best to you all." He presently does not expect to attend our 70th Reunion, but we will see what we can do about that.

John K. Meneely expects to attend our 70th Reunion and has written to the Hotel Thayer for 2 single rooms, one for himself and one for his personal aide, for the 3 nights. He wrote: "My one hope now is that I may be around to go thru all that anticipated happiness. My trip to Cape Cod worked beautifully with a wonderful family party on my birthday. I now look forward to Homecoming on 20 Oct to which I have been invited to place the wreath at the monument and to take the review with the generals. I am looking forward to going to the Cloister at Sea Island, GA for the winter, followed by our Reunion in May. I truly hope I can make it all. Please give my best to **Blister Evans** when you write and any other 1915 you may see."

Helen Atkins, widow of our **Layson E. Atkins,** is trying to take care of a big accumulation of mail of various sorts. To cover the ground for all the June week activities represents too much effort, added to the stress of trying to see everything and everybody. She has little news of 1915. She and **Alice Woodruff** exchange news occasionally, mostly about the grandchildren.

Elisa MacDonald, widow of our **Stuart C. MacDonald,** wrote that she hopes to attend our 70th Reunion. As we will have no bus from Washington this time, she is checking other ways to get to WP. She is very well and keeps active.

Margaret Beukema, widow of our **Herman Beukema,** does not expect to attend our 70th Reunion. Her new address is Army Distaff Hall, Apt. 277, 6200 Oregon Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20015.

Hennie & Eddie Moale are evidently in good health, as they expect to attend our 70th Reunion. They have attended many past reunions also.

I received the following letter on 17 Sept: "Dear COL Ellis, With reference to your remarks about Gene Leone in your last Class letter, I am prompted to jot down a few words on why and how that great relationship with your Class came about. In the spring of 1950, I accompanied GEN Swing (as his AdC) from Ft Sill, OK to a Navy Special Center on Long Island, NY to view a demonstration on the possibilities of closed circuit television for instructional purposes in the Army school system. We stayed at the Astor Hotel; while there we were given 2, very hard to get, tickets to the musical 'South Pacific.' The night of the performance we had time only for a quick dinner at Mamma Leone's in order to make curtain time. Gene was upset not only because he did not know the general was in town, but also because we were in such a rush. He begged us to stop by if we could after the show. We did stop by, and over coffee and brandy, Mr. Leone implored GEN Swing to let him know the next time he was coming to town because he would like to throw a party for him. The general thought a moment and said there was no need to do anything for him, but, he said if he (Gene) really wanted to do something he could throw a party for his Class which would be celebrating the 35th Reunion at WP the following June. Gene was delighted with the idea; I was delighted too, for it was my father's 45th and he would be there. I would get to see him as well as attend the party. Unfortunately, a few days before we were to leave for WP, Mrs. Swing became ill and we had to cancel out. The rest you well know; Gene threw a great affair as always; he was inducted into the Class (and you have never had a prouder member); but the one who originated the idea was unable to attend. Sincerely, C. A. Mitchell '44." (Col C.A. Mitchell, 1170 Chaperal Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953). I was delighted to get this letter as it ties in with other things I know of. I attended many of the sumptuous dinners **May & Gene Leone** gave to "1915." I understand the original close contact between Gene and Joe Swing was because Gene's son-in-law, Thomas A. Mesereau, Jan '43 was in Joe's division in the Pacific in WW II.

Bess Sherburne, widow of our **Edward G. Sherburne,** wrote to me that **Theresa White,** widow of our **Arthur Arnim White,** had donated to the Knoll House of the Army Distaff Hall two books on glass paperweights that are very beautiful and of historic value.

Edwin A. Zundel is still getting around, but has had to curtail his activities after a major operation a few years ago. We phone each other at intervals.

Mary Ethel Hyde, widow of our **Edward B. Hyde, Jr.,** expects to attend our 70th Reunion next May. She will be accompanied by her daughter, Elizabeth Hyde Yearing. She sends best wishes to the Class.

Your Class Officers extend greetings of the season to **ALL.**

'16

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Y'all are good to me, the new Class scribe, by helping me get started. Thank you **Mary Scott, Calvin DeWitt, Peggy Prickett,** and others. Several of you Class widows have sent me interesting notes. Thank you and please *keep it up; it is fun!*

Anita Berry sent a picture of the famous Santa Barbara Mission, 1786. She & **Lucien** settled in Santa Barbara. Lucien is very happy with his avocado orchard and his gardens. Incidentally, Lucien's father, my father, and General Pershing were classmates, USMA 1886. We followed our fathers 30 years later.

Marjorie Moses writes, with justifiable pride, about their grandson, John Moses, Jr., *who is a pediatrician in Boston City Hospital.* I bet he is smart like our Mose who stood #2 in our Class.

Eve McBride, who lives in San Francisco, says that she sees the **Woodwards** from time *to time when they come down to Letterman* Hospital or the O Club at the Presidio of San Francisco. She is very busy with The Talent Bank which assists young professional singers. She is proud of her son, COL Stephen B. Place, his wife Clarissa and their 3 lovely children: Kim 16, Christopher 14, and Carl 12.

Peggy Prickett writes from the Distaff Hall in Washington where several of our Class widows live, including **Jeanette Reinhart** and **Caroline Irvine.** I wish all the widows would send me notes a couple of times during the year. We like to hear news about our Class grandchildren—like the news of the marriage of Bill Cage who is the son of Lee Cage '42 and Ginger Prickett.

Bob Walsh, our Class president, was given a party to celebrate his 90th birthday and **Calvin DeWitt** tells about it: "Sidney and members of Bob Walsh's family gave Bob a cocktail party to celebrate his 90th birthday on 25 July. His relatives, from as far away as CA, and many of his old friends attended to wish Bob well. Because of the beautiful cool weather the party was held on the lawn adjacent to the house. Everyone had an enjoyable and pleasant afternoon."

Thanks y'all for sending me your notes; please continue. As your Class scribe I send my Class notes to the editor of ASSEMBLY in Sept, Dec, Mar, and June. We all want to know what you are doing.

APR '17

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On 3 Sept **Fred & Vivian Irving** celebrated Fred's 90th birthday with a big family party at the Chevy Chase Club. Son Freddie '51, Alice and family were up from Jacksonville and Richmond, making the occasion very festive. Dau Betty and husband Alex Maish '44 couldn't make it, as they are in Honolulu. Today (early Oct) Fred is busy, as many times before, at Ft Myer making arrangements for our 25 Oct Class lunch.

Jackson's son Page '43 and wife Jeanie have just returned to FL from a trip to Spain. Their dau Patti will come up to Alexandria on 11 Oct for a visit. This week **Jackson's** son Bob and his wife Rita from CT have been visiting him. Their son Carl is just starting Business School at NYU.

AUG '17

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The following much appreciated letter was received too late to make the Class notes in the Sept ASSEMBLY. "My sister, Sara Shaffer King, of Binghamton, NY, and I have been enjoying your news about the Class of Aug '17 for quite a while; however our mother, Edith Cover Shaffer, has been unable to do so. She has not been completely aware for about 3 yrs, and now it is doubtful if she

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knows us, her daughters. She is resident in a rest retirement home which has its own infirmary: 80 Fairview Ave., Binghamton, NY 13904. And last week she broke her hip, but it has mended surgically. She will return to the retirement home soon and probably end her days in Binghamton. She, like you, is 90, having survived our father, **Forrest Clifford (Red) Shaffer**, 14 years. Daddy died here in Amherst in Aug 1970. He is buried in Arlington. It is so sad that mother can't understand your newsy communications, and contribute. If she could she would want to do so. So Sara and I decided we would get in touch with those still left in Aug '17 ranks and wish them the best of all things from my mother and her daughters. By the way, wasn't I almost—if not really—the Class baby—Aug 1918 was my birthday?" signed Esther Stoddard Graves.

Thank you so much Esther for your letter; it saddens us all. The condition that you describe is heartbreaking. Both you and Sara are being very brave about it. Be assured you both have strong moral support from all of us.

As for being the Class baby, you were 5th runner-up! From what records that I have, **Russel L. Meredith** fathered a son, born on 28 June 1918; **Sergeant P. Huff** a daughter born 2 July 1918; then **Wallace D. Collins** a daughter born 20 Aug 1918; and then **Forrest Clifford Shaffer** had you on 24 Aug 1918. It would be fun to hear from the others in this list.

We received an update on **Lois Stamps** from her very personable daughter Ann Stamps Bumpus. "Mom asked that I tell you that she sees **Miriam Conner** and **Loessa Coffey** at the Distaff Hall and also has talked to and visited with **Margaret Bellinger.** My sister Dorothy had a chat with Nancy Cushman, **Girard Troland's** daughter." Ann goes on to tell about her mother Lois, "She keeps up a 4 bedroom house, and works frequently at her church, Altar Guild, helping with coffee hour etc.; she still drives herself and she plays rings around us at bridge. She is an avid reader, and will debate politics, religion, economics, or any current topic with you by the hour. In short, she is enjoying life and still loving it to the hilt." Three cheers for Lois, the same person we used to know when she and **Dodson** were stationed at the Academy. Thanks Ann for a wonderful letter.

In the last Class Notes I mentioned that the **Phil Days** had celebrated an "anniversary," but that is not entirely correct. A July letter from Phil, Jr. '48 gave me more information. "Phil and **Tommy** Day recently had an event to end all events. On 12 May they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. In a gala anniversary celebration, including cocktails, dinner, and wedding cake, all of Phil's and Tommy's direct descendants were present with their spouses. Son Philip from San Francisco and daughter Ann from Chevy Chase, MD arranged the festivities. Coming from as far away as TX, WA, MA and CO; 12 sons, daughters, and grandchildren were present. It really was quite an occasion. Now they are making plans for their 70th." Happy days to Phil and Tommy.

Since that time I have word from **Nan Rolfe** that "**Tommy Day** planned a small luncheon party for **Phil's** 90th birthday. They had just had the whole family here for their anniversary so this time only Tommy's sister from Memphis was present. **Pinkey** was not up to going so I gave the toast for all of us. Phil was so pleased as you were to be greeted by the AOG on this occasion. Pinkey will celebrate his 90th in Jan." Phil, all your classmates turn out their smartest and snappiest salute to you on your passing that 90th milestone.

Nan continues, "The Symroski's '35 were here with us for 2 weeks. I believe I have said that our son-in-law had a hip replacement and was on crutches but was able to handle them very well. I took a chance in making reservations at the beach for 2 days, and it turned out so well that I was sorry I had not planned a longer stay. Our daughter was in the water all the time, surfboarding and swimming. Chuck (Symroski) was able to go in the swimming pool. From the balcony of our apt **Pinkey** and I sat and watched this moving scene, and a flight of pelicans flew up and down before us." We all will be wishing you well Chuck (Symroski) and success with that operation on the other hip, and we do hope that you will be up and dancing a jig by Christmas.

We received a happy, cheerful note from **Georgiana Graham (Robert McD Graham)** who writes, "Recently Bob took me to see **Peggy Moore, (Bryant E. Moore).** Her daughter, Margaret Wood, invited us to come to lunch with them. It was a great day." Peggy, we would be delighted to have an update on you, the family and your activities.

Bob Hasbrouck Jr. '55 writes, "Dad's health was good enough to permit him to make a trip to WP this weekend. He now sees normally (with glasses) with one eye, and the doctor expects continued improvement in the other as he adjusts to the glasses. Mother is pretty weak and doesn't go out except for medical visits. Perhaps next time Dad will be able to send you his own report." We certainly hope that you, **Bob Sr,** will be able to tell us about the progress that you and **Marjorie** are making.

A letter from **Hi Ely** was a bit disturbing but in his usual way has tried to put all of us at ease over his condition. "On 16 Aug, I had a slight stroke and spent 10 days in the hospital. I was paralyzed on the right side both in my leg and in my arm but otherwise alright. I have a capable person to live with me and have therapy treatment, so I am making good progress toward what I hope will be full recovery, but I am not spending much time galavanting around. This is all the news for now; I hope to have a better report for next time." We hope so too, Hi, and we all will be pulling for you.

From **Helen Carson:** "After Kit had gone I moved back to Gainesville where we had lived for almost 30 yrs. I have just been on a trip to Western Canada and AK. It was by plane, ship (The **Rotterdam**) and bus. The first 2 weeks were fine, but to get up where the Bush people live it had to be by bus. I've tasted an iceberg, seen the Salmon spawn, and I have seen the Dole sheep. How hair keeps them warm enough in that weather I don't understand. There were lots of other good and amazing things. I left Fairbanks with frost on the ground and got back to Gainesville with 90° weather, and a kitchen sink that had backed-up. So goes life." Helen, I am sure that FL, 90° and all, looked mighty good to you on your return from that jaunt.

From **Peggy Kernan (Redmon F. Kernan)** in Atherton, CA. She is very well and is trying to get possessions sorted out and disposed of as she still is planning on moving. "I have a young man who lives over our garage who is the son of **Dagmar Wilson (W.I. Wilson).** He works for me a few hours a week. Well, he came by last evening to tell me that his mother had fallen out of bed. This evening she is scheduled for an operation—broken femur. She lives alone (as do so many of us). She is at Fort Ord Hospital. I know how much she would appreciate an encouraging note." William R. Wilson and his wife live very close to Dagmar. Bob Wilson and his wife Betty are undoubtedly looking after Dagmar. Dagmar is Bob's stepmother. If you want to drop a note to Dagmar, her address is Mrs. William I. Wilson, Rancho Chupino's Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

Our world traveler, **Florence Johnson (John M. Johnson)** writes, "This summer I really enjoyed my forced stay at home in San Miguel de Allende. I had time to go through pictures, cassettes, books, closets, and getting painters in to repaint the whole house and fix the leaks in the roof. I had enough collection from my travels and summer house cleaning to have a successful garage sale. I also completed a course in Religious Science. **CHANGE YOUR THINKING — CHANGE YOUR LIFE.** I have become a travel writer. The **International Travel News** ran my article on "Yak Safari In Bhutan" as the feature travel article in their June issue—2½ pages with 5 pictures. In the Nov 1984 issue they will run my article, "I Climbed Kilimanjaro."

I have the "Yak Safari" article and will be glad to have copies made for you. Drop me a postcard if you want one.

In spite of my hearing aid problems when I am on the phone, I did make 4 phone calls. **Bill Reeder** sounded just about the same. He says he is holding his own; he is still under the TLC of his daughter-in-law Sheila. **Gracie** is "hanging in there" and meeting each situation as it arises.

Llewellyn & Elaine Griffin both sounded very well. We had a 3-way call. Elaine had hurt her hip or leg, I don't know just which, and she said, "I am having to learn to walk all over again," so she must be getting over whatever it was in reasonably good shape. Both seemed well, active, and meeting life in good spirits.

Dutch & Teddy Gerhardt sounded really fine and their lives are definitely on an even keel. Their son the Rev Rolfe Gerhardt, who has been here in San Antonio, has been transferred to Atlanta where he has a church. I put off just too long in making personal contact with him; I only talked once with him on the phone.

The 4th call was to **Horace Harding.** Everything was ok; both he and **Mary** were in good health. I asked Horace to check on **Everett Brown** who lives in Gloucester. None of my letters have ever been returned, but no word from him for years.

We will top this all off with one of **Girard Troland's** bits of humor:

"The practice of designating this or that by groups of letters or initials, for example such as USMA, FBI, MIT, prompts me to sign any of my communication to the increasing number of my family of great grandchildren,

YPOBDGG

In case you are wondering, this grouping does not mean,

Your Peppy Often Bragging Devilish
Graduate Grandpa

What it does mean is,
Your Poor Old Busted Down Great-Grandpa

Here's to you Girard! One of the best things a man can have up his sleeve is a funnybone. You have a delightful one.

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JUN '18

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Norma Axelson's only son, COL Rudy, USA Ret., died on 7 July at WRAMC. **Louise Bishop, Marian Ross,** and **Helen Harris** attended the services at Arlington. The Class extends its sympathy.

Louise Bishop and daughter, Mary Louise, enjoyed a 10-day motor trip to the Midwest in early Sept, visiting her birthplace, Independence, MO, which was also Harry Truman's home.

Dick McKee writes that he is getting so forgetful (aren't we all?) that if he wants to do something, he must write it down as otherwise he dashes off and when he arrives, he has forgotten why he went there. My rule is—when I think of something to do, I give it top priority in my mind. I can still play computer chess and win on level 3.

Report from **Bud Miley; Fenie** and he take only short trips to see old friends.

These notes were written on 20 Sept as Steve and I will leave tomorrow by a USAAF medical evacuation plane for WRAMC. Steve will have a major operation, and I will have a cardiac checkup.

NOV '18

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Jim Kehoe died in Maysville, KY, his hometown, on 29 Nov 83; he had been in ill health for some time. He was buried in the Maysville Cemetery. His son Richard, a daughter Sue Ann Faul, and a sister Ruth Kehoe survive him. Son and sister live in Maysville. Few of our Class remember Jim since he was with us only a short time, having been turned back from June 1918. He resigned in 1920 and became AG of KY shortly after.

John Binder died in the VA nursing facility at Breckville, OH on 16 Jul 84, where he had been a patient for several years. Linda, his widow, writes that their son John is a cadet colonel at Kent University and has made 2 trips to Europe this year. John & Linda Binder were married 5 May 1919 and had been married 65 years before John's death. A Class record for long marriages!

REGIONAL NEWS

From the West:

Every Californian has complained of the hot summer, mentioned the San Francisco Convention and the Olympic games, so I'll cover those topics in this sentence and not quote individuals.

Alice Pope tripped to AK via air, bus, train, and slow boat; Anchorage, Nome, Fairbanks, Juneau by train and bus and then to Vancouver via the inland waterway. She's now back in Carmel busy with volunteer activities and keeping in touch with **Lucy Bowman. Chuck Gildart** sent a snapshot of **Charlie & Viola Morrison** cutting their wedding cake which is included in this column for those who could not attend our 65th reunion last year. **Ruth Miller** is a great-grandmother again. **Al's** oldest grandson and wife Donna became proud parents of a little girl, Chrissy Miller; her sister Michelle is now 3½ years old. Ruth has no definite trip plans as yet but is positive the travel bug will get her 'ere long. **Juliette Wilson** writes of a visit by her daughter Laura who enjoys living in Canada very much. Juliette's son, Monroe, and wife from El Paso visited her during Jul. Their daughter just had another baby, making Juliette an 8 time great-grandmother.

Vi O'Rouark says she has recovered her pep and energy, her most important news, and hopes to emulate her great-great-grandmother who lived to be 102. Right now she's practicing for her 92nd in 1987. **Marian Stokes** is recovering slowly from her hip replacement surgery but can navigate with a cane. She signed up for an Aug cruise to AK (perhaps she ran across Alice Pope) on the last trip of the Viking Star this season. **Kathleen Epes** writes she is the central "cog" in one of the greatest "soap operas" in history and can't write for lack of time and energy and hence spare everyone the details of lengthy illness. She is caring for her older sister, 11 years her senior, and has her hands full. Hopes Mac's pacemaker is keeping up its good work. **Florence Trower** is back from her trip to Europe with her physicist son who attended 5 conferences from Frascotti, Italy, to Lund, Sweden. She and a friend spent the time sightseeing, shopping, and visiting the Fjord country for a week, covering 3000 miles of "lovely—interesting areas." She now must get busy with her gardening and charities.

Lucy Bowman accomplished 2 things since the last quarterly newscast. First, she shipped Frank's enormous rosewood desk and matching chair, both made in Hong Kong, to Frank III in Denver, and second, preserved "40 million" loquats which her little tree produced. She says they are good, rather like lichi nuts, more seeds and core than flesh, but the resultant jam, chutney and "canned" fruit is very good. She is having a little trouble with glaucoma but her eyesight is good. In between "canning" and gardening Lucy is rehearsing for a gay 90's ice cream social and entertainment to benefit housing facilities supported by her Carmel Foundation (Senior Citizens Club) which gathers weekly for a song fest; rehearsals 3 x a week, 3 hrs per session; quite a program for a lady her age.

Elmer Barnes had a bad fall while pulling his trousers off, resulting in a compression fracture of his spine. Very painful. Hospitalized for 2 weeks, then again for 3 days. Now home with daughter Jean and practical nurse in charge. Moral: "Don't fall down backwards." Son Jack Barnes '42 and wife Mary attended Lions' convention in San Francisco (Jack is president of his local Lions Club); forty thousand Lions and Lionesses attended. On the way home they stopped in Salem to see Elmer and plan to take 2 of his great-grandchildren, Christopher and Virginia, to visit him in Aug when they will be visiting Jack and Mary from Washington.

Ethel Gambill writes that the strike in Las Vegas was sometimes violent, particularly at night; she has a boy to service her car and drive for her. Plenty hot in Las Vegas. **Lark Gilland** spent 4 Jul with daughter near Garberville. Health good; no other news. **Esther Gillespie:** "Granddaughters doing well; health good." **Ruth Kendall** is unable to talk very much but recognizes her daughters Jean and Betty and Betty's husband, Ray Miller. He expects to send in Paul's obit this fall. **McMonroe** mentions daughter Martha's visit during Aug, returning to Washington 23 Aug. Barbara and Martha certainly take good care of their "daddy."

Chief Brimmer reports fishing was good until the hot weather hit. Cheyenne, WY hosted Frontier Days in late Jul, which usually brings thunderstorms and cooler weather (and better fishing). He wonders why so many classmates or families travel. It seems to him that most of them have seen enough of those "far away places" to want to enjoy their own firesides for a change. **Al Riani** writes **Chuck Gildart** that both he and **Eleanor** enjoyed the newsletters very much and appreciate all the effort involved in producing them. They live quietly by the Pacific keeping busy as yardmen, gardeners, and handymen.

Nov '18: Charlie & Viola Morrison cut their wedding cake.

Murray Carter also will miss the newsletters and will look forward to seeing the ASSEMBLY notes. She is as busy as ever with bazaars and running workshops for them. She has two flower arranging programs for Sept and is saving her money to go to China. Grandson Clayton Shannon graduated with a mechanical engineering degree and has a good job with Hughes Aircraft in Segundo, CA. He visited her for 4 days during the Olympics and Murray found herself involved in the games as well. Her youngest granddaughter is living with her pending entering UCR this fall; she now has a job at the "Aggie" dept there. Grandson Scott Shannon will be marrried 22 Dec (bad timing) so she'll have all the family for Christmas.

From the South:

Bob Schow reports **Marie Stevens** called to tell him she'd miss the Class letters and was still in good health. **Kate Lenior, Bill Leng's** ex, has lost her 2d husband after a long illness. She is now immersed in doctors', hospital, and nursing home bills, and says she feels very much alone, even with 11 grandchildren and 16 greats, all Lengs. Bob had lunch with **Polly Stevens** (B.G.) and her son B.G. Junior '43. He writes that she has recovered from a bout with the flu and seems to be bearing up well.

Art Pulsifer had a cataract removed and brags about how simple it was. True, but the aftermath is not (Ed.) The next month he fell off his sea wall onto some rocks, knocked himself out, slid into the water and then managed to crawl to safety. **Reed Yeager** and daughter Barbara are in NC for the summer but returned to FL about 1 Sept. He has finally given us his FL address (see end of notes). Says he keeps busy tending his 100 azaleas on the slope back of his house.

From the Central Region:

Corp reports a banner quarter in replies to his notes and volunteer contributions. His birthday notes to **Mike Odor** and **Slim Styron** produced the following: From **Mike:** his 86th birthday celebration was a huge success with his 3 children (all of whom are now grandparents) and some of their progeny present (20 in all). **Slim** says his old body is playing out on him with arthritis getting worse. He now uses a cane and has moved out of his house, where he had lived alone since 1968,

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and moved in with his son and wife. We all can sympathize with that statement about "the old body playing out."

Cornie Hahn wrote both **Corp** and **Wannie** and reports both he and Helen well, busy watering their lawn and looking after their animals, one dog and one new kitten. Son Bill and wife Marian live in Denver but have been to Europe recently. Grandson Chuck, Bill's son, is now in Australia and New Zealand as chief chemist for a brewery. His wife and 3 children live in Golden, and Cornie and Helen see them often. Chuck graduated from Colorado School of Mines with a degree in chemistry.

Bernice Keasler reports missing the newsletter, enclosed a snapshot of Jim Keasler's grave in the Ft Bliss National Cemetery and a clipping from the 14 Jun issue of the **El Paso Herald-Post** detailing the doings, past and present, of our **Joe Glasgow** and his forebears. Remember, his dad, William J. '91, was the oldest living graduate when he died at the age of 101 in 1967. An interesting fact concerns Joe's role as Ronald Reagan's CO during the filming of "Sergeant Murphy" at the Presidio of Monterey when Reagan was a lieutenant in the Cavalry Reserve and still making movies. He lunched with him and the leading lady at the old Del Monte Hotel. **Corp** had a note from **Joe,** dictated because neither Joe nor **Gwen** are in shape to write. They go nowhere and hope their friends will let them know they are still remembered. (Drop them a note. Ed.)

Both the **Dunkelbergs** and the **Knudsens** report all is well with them. **Lella & Dunk's** grandson, CPT (Dr.) Jeffry C. Dunkelberg is now on duty at the Ft Belvoir, VA hospital. **Janie & Chris'** grandson, MAJ (Dr) Chris Moncrief, is at Brooke AMC in San Antonio; he is a heart surgeon. **Corp** reports both he and **Mary** enjoyed the conventions and Olympics, as no doubt all in our age group did. Says its hotter than hell in TX and that Sherman was right when he said, "If the choice of **one** was inevitable, going to Texas in the summertime or to hell after I die, I'd choose the latter."

From the East:

Hunk Holbrook writes that news of his region is hard to come by. Our widows at Army Distaff Hall won't even answer the phone! He also asks not to be accused of trying to make news by "busting" his ribs—how, he doesn't say. **Bette Yoder** has been visiting her sister in PA but was home for the annual Nov luncheon. **Eleanor Dickson** called to ask if there would be a luncheon this year and said she'd make it if held. **Gene Valentine** will be home from Green Lake, ME in her new car in time for our 66th anniversary lunch.

Bryan III, your scribe's grandson, now commands Co "D," 3rd US Inf; the change of command ceremony preceding his assumption of the title of "Old Man" was quite impressive. It was followed by a very artistically done reception in the orderly and day rooms of "D" Co barracks. The regimental CO, his staff, and their ladies attended, as did the men and their wives of "D" company.

Your scribe's cataract job was a complete success and he is now anticipating a similar job on the other eye in Jan '85.

A card from Martha Henderson, **McMonroe's** youngest, who was visting Mac in CA. They watched the Olympics together and then went to Eureka, CA to visit Mac's brother, Tom '14. They had a wonderful time; both Daddy and Uncle Tom look fit as a fiddle and she returned to Washington the end of Aug. Husband Gene couldn't come along. They moved his entire office to the DIAC at Bolling AFB, which seems to have been quite a logistical as well as security problem. Reminds your scribe of moving CIA from the Tidal Basin area to Langley, VA.

Ruth Hastings says the summer and fall have slipped by in a rather uneventful way. Some short trips are planned which she'll tell us about later. She called to encourage your scribe in his ASSEMBLY notes and to ask about the Nov luncheon, and offered her help. **Edith Griffiths** is back from her visit with her youngest sister in NY State and from a week's stay at her alma mater, Hamilton College in Clinton, NY, where she took an Elder Hostel program. She enjoyed the trip immensely.

A card from **Evie Graham** in late Jun gives the only news from Distaff Hall. She was slated for her 2d cataract removal/lens implant on 9 Jul and hopes to see better thereafter. **Nell Gullatt** is out of the hospital after a broken bone session (which bone unknown). Evie and Nell have dinner together every night. She says we wouldn't know **Buddha Groves** if we saw her. **Tip Hatch** pushes her around in a special wheelchair every day; Tip is handling her Parkinson's very well.

Not a very cheerful note with which to end the Dec notes but Merry Christmas to all!

Change of Address:

Please change **Reed Yeager's** address to:

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In Jul **Dick & Emma Ovenshine** visited their dau Virginia Moore and her husband Gene in Birmingham, MI. Dick reports that **Les Flory** has been appointed Class treasurer.

From **Herb Jones** in DC: at the monthly stag luncheon at Ft McNair were **Chadwick, Flory, Hammond, Hopkins, Jones, Ovenshine** and **Wedemeyer.** At the ladies' luncheon, same time and place, were **Marge Brannon, Kathy Flory, Mary Hopkins, Emma Ovenshine, Jean Starr** and **Dotty Wilson,** some of whom attended **Merritt Booth's** funeral afterwards. At the stag luncheon Holbrook and Wanamaker of Nov '18 were present too. They all spent a very pleasant hour discussing their kaydet days, including Tacs, such as Willy Wilbur, the S. I., (Thomlinson), Slimy Joe, Pop Waffles and others of nearly 70 years ago.

Elton Hammond is having a cataract operation, but hopes to be able to drive again. **George Rogers** was in the hosp; he is now home in good spirits, getting plenty of TLC from **Hope** and his dau. **Logan Shutt** phoned from MD; he is fine but his cataracts are budding, says Herb. Winfred Skelton '50, much decorated son of our **Skelly Skelton,** recently joined the Army-Navy Club. **Dick Ovenshine** has invited him to one of our stag luncheons at Ft McNair to meet some of his father's classmates. Our treasurer, **Les Flory,** has received a letter from Merritt Booth Jr., thanking our Class for the wreath of flowers sent to his father's funeral and a letter from the AAA thanking our Class for its donation in memory of **Stu Barden. David McLean** reports no news from the FL region this time.

From San Ant: **Alex Bennet** has been having a rough time; in 2 hosps continuously from 12 Jun to 19 Jul with a 2 day break at home, needle biopsies and 2 separate operations. He returned to the hosp on 15 Aug for examination and possibly more surgery. **Velma** wrote this report which Alex had dictated to her. Our best wishes to them both.

Jack Vance from the Golden Gate: **Louise Paquet** and **Mary Nelson** are leaving for Montreal to take a boat trip down the St Lawrence River. Sebree Brennan and husband Mark are preparing for a boat trip up the Columbia and Snake rivers. Tod Sebree Olow and husband John had breakfast with Pres Reagan at the White House recently. John is an aide for the Executive Liaison for Personal Affairs and Protocol, Central CA Area, White House Task Force. Jack Vance has been busy collecting dues and arranging the speakers' schedule for his American Legion Post which resumed meetings in Sept. **Betty** is the flower chairman of the Holy Innocents Episcopal Church. The **Ruths** are awaiting the results of a recent brain scan on **Babe.** They looked well when Jack & Betty saw them recently. Jack is having a bit of eye trouble—"dry eye"—but is being treated for it at Letterman Hosp.

From **Fred Drury,** Walnut Creek, CA: On page 37, Jun 84 ASSEMBLY, it says, ". . . Fred Drury is limited to home care and does not talk." Fred answers this, "although confined to a skilled nursing facility since May '84, and now completely deaf, I am ambulatory and see my wife and children several times weekly. Our conversations are, of course, one way, but with a notebook and pencil always available, we manage. Fortunately my eyesight, though failing, still permits my reading; although I still prefer large-print publications, I can talk . . . etc." Scribe's apologies for the error.

Recently scribe has heard briefly from **Dene Burnell**—her health is good, and she keeps busy with her house and large garden. Her dau Anne from nearby Annapolis visits her on weekends, a joy. She says that **Helen Crichlow** is quite well and spent several weeks this summer with her son Bob in NH. **Margaret Jackson,** long-time resident of San Diego, is well and keeps "busy doing various kinds of volunteer work." She seems to have mastered the art of keeping fit and high morale. **Joe Holly** is in good health except for a touch of arthritis in shoulders and hands. He meets with friends daily at 0600 hours to walk. **Carlene** died on 27 Nov 83 and he misses her "dreadfully." After losing her, he realized how very dependent he was on her. In Jul, Joe had cataracts removed from both eyes and lens transplants. He had lunch recently with **Mary Bassett. Rita Meyer,** Cornwall-on-Hudson, says that she is fortunate to be in good health and keeping busy. She has done close to 10,000 hours of volunteer work with the auxiliary of Cornwall Hosp of which she is a charter member. She often visits her stepson, Henry R. Meyer '52, and his family in McLean, VA. She takes long trips too, the last one a cruise to Egypt, Turkey, Israel, and Greece. **Helen Davis** taught for 15 years in the Dept of Special Education at UWI, Eau Claire, WI. She retired a bit early to lower her blood pressure and try to lessen her chronic bronchitis. Her home overlooks the univ. and adjoins the park; she enjoys both as faculty emerita. She is happy. Recently **Nina Wood's** sister, Clare Engelsen, who had lived with her, died, so Niña finds life lonely, but she manages to keep busy and her health is good. She expects to visit her son Edward and his family in Muskogee, OK at Christmas. Her dau

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Dorothy from DC will visit Niña there and in Albuquerque during some of the holidays.

ADDRESSES

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DEATHS

In Jun Mr. John W. Sheehy, Jr., of Ross, CA died of cancer. For years he practiced law in San Fran where he became a prominent attorney, and with 2 partners organized his own law firm. He is survived by his mother, Marian Sheehy, of Mill Valley, his wife Margaret, and 2 brothers, James Sheehy of San Marino and Harry Sheehy of Chicago.

After a comparatively short illness, COL **Merritt B. Booth,** our very capable Class treasurer, died of cancer at Andrews AFB, MD on 1 Aug 84. After 4 years in Japan as a Japanese language student, he served during WWII with the famous 442nd (Japanese-American) Inf and WD G-2. After his Army retirement he joined the State Dept as a Far East expert, serving again in Japan. He was buried at Arlington with full military honors on 7 Aug. Honorary pallbearers were **Chadwick, Flory, Hammond, Hopkins, Ovenshine,** and **Wedemeyer.** Among his survivors are sons COL Merritt Booth Jr. of Great Falls, VA and Mr William S. Booth of San Fran, and dau Priscilla B. Duff of Garden City, NY.

After years of poor health, COL **A. R. S. Barden** died at Suburban Hosp, Bethesda, MD of congestive heart failure on 15 Aug. He was buried with full military honors at Arlington on 17 Aug. **Herb Jones,** the **Florys, Hopkinses, Ovenshines,** and **Wedemeyers** attended the funeral. The 5 classmates as well as VADM Smeddy Smedberg, former Supt of USNA and **Stu's** brother-in-law, and RADM Billy Smedberg, Stu's nephew, plus 2 grandsons, were all honorary pallbearers. Among his survivors were 2 daus, Mary S. Proctor of Chevy Chase, MD and Helen B. Horan of Memphis, TN, and a sister Claudia B. Smedberg of Crystal River, FL.

After a long illness MG **John B. Murphy** died of cancer of the throat in DC on 5 Sept 84. He was buried with the impressive full military honors at Arlington on 11 Sept. **Herb Jones, Mary Hedekin,** the **Ovenshines** and the **Florys** attended, the classmates acting as honorary pallbearers. He left no immediate survivors.

VITAL STATS

Living grads 58; missing 2: deceased 224; widows 90.

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With great sadness I report that **Milly Williams** (HK), **Grace Lambert, Helen Pearson** (CD), **Pauline McFadden, Johnny Johnston** (OR), **Mildred Bare, Mit Shattuck, Margaret Partridge** and **Coleman Romain** have died. We send our deepest sympathy to their loved ones.

Milly Williams (HK) died in Nov 82 as noted on a 65th Reunion inquiry card to her Dunkirk, NY address returned to **Charles Holle. Henry** died in '54. Surviving are son Henry III '46 (resd from USAF), 2 grandchildren and 1 great-grandson.

Grace Lambert died 1 May 83 as also noted on a 65th Reunion inquiry card to her Bronxville, NY address. **Hank** died in '75. Surviving are sons Kenneth (Ret LTC USAF) and Harry '60 (resd '63, now VP Phelps-Dodge, Greenwich, CT), 24 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Helen Pearson (CD) died 10 Nov 83 as also noted on a 65th Reunion inquiry card to her Salt Lake City address. **Cyril** died in '66. Surviving are daus Patricia Wright and Catherine Taylor and 6 grandsons.

Pauline McFadden died 15 Apr 84 as also noted on a 65th Reunion card to her Salt Lake City address. **Bill** died in '81. Surviving are son Ret COL Raymond '45, dau Margaret Springer, 5 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren.

1920: Dick and Nena Singer receiving plaque for 23 years devoted BOMA service, Houston.

Johnny Johnston (OR) died 4 Aug 84 at the Ft Sam Houston Army Hosp from multiple injuries in a motorcycle accident 1 Jul from which he never regained consciousness. He was buried at the Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery. Attending with family members were **Millard Pierson** and **Dick** and **Nena Singer.** In WWII Johnny served as G-3 Panama Canal Dept and Ch Jt Ops Panama Sea Frontier 42; and CS 71 Inf Div ETO 44-45. He is survived by widow **Marjorie,** dau Joan, 3 step-children, 7 step-grandchildren and 3 step great-grandchildren.

Mildred Bare died 6 Aug 84 in Cincinnati, OH according to 7 Sep **Tacoma News Tribune** clipping most thoughtfully mailed in by Ret MSG Charles R. Kaylor of Tacoma, WA. **George** died in '81. Surviving are her son Richard Mittendorf of Cincinnati, 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; step-son Ret COL George Peter Bare '60 of Olympia, WA, step-dau Helen Bare Atherly, and 4 step-grandchildren.

Mit Shattuck died 30 Aug 84 at Walter Reed of Alzheimer's Syndrome after over a year of very poor health in the Bethesda Naval Hosp and Walter Reed. He was buried in Arlington beside his father Amos (1886) and grandfather Milton Cogswell (1849). Attending with family members were the **Densons, Anne Farrell Moore,** the **Holles, Julia Mitchell** (JD), **Rehm** and **Samouce.** Mit served in WWII in FEC as G-3 XII Cps 44 and Hq Eighth Ar 45-47 (CR). Surviving are widow **Marion,** dau Margaret Rahmann of Glenco, IL, dau Pamela Burleigh of W Hartford, CT, son Ret COL Milton Jr. '56 of Longwood, FL, dau Susan Benson of DC, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild (who also attended the services).

Margaret Partridge died 2 Sep 84 at DC's Army Distaff Hall. Attending the services at the Hall's Chapel with family members (including Dick's niece Helen Burlingame of Annapolis) were **Janet Claterbos,** the **Densons** and **Holles, Marcia Lystad, Samouce, Myra Smith** (LS) and **Selby Stratton.** She was buried at WP beside **Dick** who died in '76. Attending there were the **Hasbroucks** and **Johnstons** (BC). Surviving are dau Margaret McDougall of Denton, TX, dau Clare Fieldhouse of Munich, W Germany, 8 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Coleman Romain died 7 Sep 84 at Pinehurst, NC (information from AOG). He was buried at WP. Coleman resd Sep 1920 but returned to serve in WWII as COL AUS 41-46. In the Korean War he was G-4 Hq Korean Base Sec 53 and CO Camp Drew 54 (LM-BSM-CR). He is survived by widow **Isabel.**

We send condolences also to **Russ Eastman** whose sister, Jane Sutherland, died 4 Aug 84 at Grosse Pointe, MI. She had accompanied Russ at several of our Reunions.

The annual elections for 5 of the 10 members of the Class Governing Cte and for a replacement for **John Mitchell's** unexpired term resulted in the reelection of **Hasbrouck Holle, Hinds** and **Samouce** and the election of **McQuarrie** to serve for the 2 yrs 1 Oct 84-30 Sep 86; and the election of **Routheau** to serve until 30 Sep 85. Giving them all a run for the money were **Coe, Eastman, Ford, Goff, Singer** and **Vogel.** A hearty welcome from the Class to **McQuarrie** and **Routheau** as new Class Gov Cte members.

Twenty-six classmates, 15 wives and 1 widow are piping our 65th Reunion next May; 5 other classmates, 3 wives, and 3 widows also hope to be there but are not yet sure.

Correction of gross error in 5th line 2nd column page 38 of the Jun 84 ASSEMBLY: Change from—"son Ret LTC USAF Hayden Jr . . ."

to—"son LTC USAF Hayden Jr. (now with NATO Hq in Belgium as Head, US Section of NATO Programming Center) . . ."

Dotty Sears hoped to visit son Hayden Jr. during Sep or Oct. The NATO Programming Center is near the Dutch-W German border in an interesting and beautiful part of Belgium.

Frank Henning Jr. attended the 26th Inf reunion in Destin, FL mid-Sep. His older dau Kay and husband Navy LT James Hopkins are completing a 1-year tour at Venezuela's Naval War College. After 6 months back in the States they will be off to HI for 2½ years. Frank's younger dau Carroll and her husband left early Aug for Seattle, where he will teach at Seattle Pacific U.

Eloise Smith (RO) had 2 hip replacements this year and is now doing beautifully.

Anne Rousseau replied to our 65th Reunion inquiry with "Still blessed with good health . . . Enjoyed 2 cruises, one to AK and one to HI. Just returned from several delightful weeks in ME and a week in Quebec City, thoroughly enjoying its European atmosphere. . . ." Anne usually attends our Reunions but will not make our 65th. She knows "All will go well and will look forward to reading all about it in ASSEMBLY."

Sid and Gina Hinds' early Aug summer vacation at Massanutten Mt in VA's beautiful Shenandoah Valley was cut short just as it started. After unpacking and dinner Sid had a dizzy fall. The rescue ambulance from Harrisonburg 26 miles away quickly moved him to a fine hospital there. Three days later he was in Walter Reed for 8 days. No heart or other condition was found so he was returned home. However, on 18 Sep he was back in Walter Reed for a week during which the cause was found and he is doing well at home.

The **Densons** had another happy 3-day visit with son BG Lee Jr. who was on a trip to the Pentagon from NATO Hq.

During the summer **Louise George** had happy reunions with dau Prof Louise and her

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husband Prof William Clubb from San Francisco; son William and wife Maritza from NJ (their 14-year-old son Alexander III was in W Germany perfecting his German fluency); and sister, Sister Rose Louise of the CSJ Order, from St. Louis, MO. Dau Louise and her husband then went on to Aoslo, Italy where she is already starting another literary project while still heavily immersed in the profound "Biblioteca Italiana" (Sep 82 ASSEMBLY). In Oct she lectured on Renaissance literature at the U of Ottawa.

The **Lemnitzers** summered at their home in Honesdale, PA and the **Routheaus** at their favorite haunts in Nova Scotia. **Kay Burns'** ecumenical journey this year was to Ireland. No details yet.

1920: Bunnie Welch, Josephine Swartz, and the Goffs at '84 Founders Day Dinner, Ft. Lewis.

Bob Kreuter's 5 Jul card from Crescent City, CA, on their drive home from MI, spoke of visiting the **Goffs, Ruth Bartlett** (WH) and **Reuter.** Betty has recovered and drove half the way. **Jack Goff** wrote of enjoying the **Kreuters'** visit. He had also heard from **Carl Englehart** who hoped to stop by on their way to ID. Carl is back to doing well at bowling again. Jack didn't make it to his NJ home diggings this year. We missed him at the Sep DC Class luncheon.

Dick and Nena Singer "have a ball" attending state, regional, national and international conventions of the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA). Within the past year they were honored at the Southwest Conference in San Antonio, the 32nd annual BOMA Management School in Houston, the New Orleans Convention (during the World's Fair) and the International Convention in Los Angeles (during the Olympic Games). Distinctive plaques were awarded to them in Houston and Los Angeles for their 23 years of devoted BOMA service. On the side they also managed other traveling: in Feb, a drive to Miami and flight to the Virgin Islands to visit one of Dick's cousins; to Ft Lauderdale, FL to see one of Dick's nephews; to Orlando, FL to old BOMA friends, the Kent Arnolds and Disney World. They managed to be back 22 Aug to attend at Ft Sam Houston the Founders Day dinner of the Ladies of the Ribbon where Nena was especially honored as one of 3 remaining founders. On 31 Aug they flew to Vancouver for a scenic tour of AK's Inside Passage, a bus tour to Fairbanks, then to Anchorage and by air, via Seattle, back to San Antonio.

Rosalie Doolittle wrote **Selby Stratton:** "KZIA radio station gave me a surprise 80th birthday during my weekly broadcast on 'Southwest Gardening.' Almost 50 people dropped in to wish me well so it was difficult to finish my broadcast. (Dau) Jeannette and Donald Ingram '44 came from CA to host a party for me afterward. George Jr. and his wife were there from Portland, OR, and grandchildren from CO and Cedar Crest and Santa Fe, NM. Another surprise came at St. John's Cathedral where Dean Haverland read a proclamation and the entire congregation gave me a standing ovation. I was so moved I couldn't say a word. I would have liked to have said that it would not have been possible without my wonderful **George's** encouragment all these years. And then still another big surprise. At the American Rose Society Convention I was awarded a plaque as the outstanding judge of the Southwest District. . . ." In the 6 Jun 84 issue of an Albuquerque newspaper, the "Soil and Toil" section carried a long column extolling Rosalie. She was a child when her mother moved here for the tuberculosis "cure." She had given Rosalie a seed packet to play with, and she has been gardening ever since. She experimented with every type of "won't grow here" flower and tree, devised her own fertilizers and made them thrive. George's lumber company produced the fertilizers and sent out her garden hints. This expanded to regular newspaper ads and, when the demand became much greater, she started her weekly radio broadcasts which have been going on for many years now. She organized garden clubs, inspired one woman to start a nursery, collaborated with a professional writer to produce "Southwest Gardening" which is still the gardening bible here. She established the Biblical Garden at downtown St. John's using plants mentioned in the Bible, even the "can't grow here" olive and fig trees. Before her lifelong efforts, nothing would grow in this desert except Siberian elm which the city was giving out. Now, almost any time of year, the city is beautiful with flowering shrubs, trees, and roses in full bloom. "The entire City of Albuquerque owes her a Big Thank You and a Happy Birthday," the article concluded.

'21-'22

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It is with deep regret to report that **Jim O'Connell** died on 28 Jul. Over the past several yrs Jim had had several operations for the removal of a cancerous growth in the glands of his right arm pit. It finally expanded to other vital organs and proved fatal. **Harold Conway, Bill Lawton, Myron Leedy,** and **Max Taylor** were honorary pallbearers at Jim's funeral in Arlington Cemetery; full military honors were awarded Jim. Also attending the funeral were Bev Kane, Nelle Sue Branham, and Clare Crary, Helen's sister, who came from Boca Raton, FL. On behalf of the Class I extend to **Helen,** Jim's son Peter, and daughter Sally our sincere heartfelt sympathy.

Milo Cary wrote me that his daughter started doing a needle point of the WP crest when she noticed that the eagle and helmet faced differently than the one on Milo's diploma. She was curious to know why and when the eagle turned its head around.

In early Sept the **Lawtons** celebrated 2 events; they flew to England and on 2 Sept attended the wedding of a former Bethesda, MD neighbor who now lives in Bristol, and at the same time celebrated the 62nd anniversary of **Bill & Marge's** marriage. Many congratulations and here is hoping you will celebrate many more anniversaries. They then returned to Ogunquit, ME to spend the rest of Sept before returning to Bethesda.

Jim O'Connell's son Peter borrowed **Bill Lawton's** HOWITZER to learn a little more about his father in his cadet days. Jim's HOWITZER got lost some time in his many travels and moves, and his son would like to get one if possible, if anyone has an extra copy. I do not have Peter's address, but you can contact **Bill Lawton.**

1921-22: Haas and his salmon.

Hazel and I enjoyed 7 weeks this past summer with our daughter and her family at Victoria, BC Canada. We saw for the first time our great grandchild. So we have joined the club of great grandparents. Our daughter, her husband, and I went salmon fishing 6 times and caught a total of 15 cohos, 2 chinooks, and 2 other species of salmon. Thirteen of them we caught in the Juan de Fuca Strait out of Victoria, and 4 in the Pacific Ocean out of Ucluelet. The largest one was an 18 pounder while the others averaged about 5 lbs. It was great fun and I enjoyed every minute of it. Elsewhere in these notes is a picture of me holding our first day's catch.

Myron Leedy's daughter wrote me that Myron is "hung onto bridge. He is currently involved in a 2 month's long tournament due to conclude in Aug. At mid point he is holding his own in 4th place among 12 players." Power to you Myron. The last time I played bridge I trumped my partner's ace and I haven't played since.

1921-22: Leedy with granddaughter Barbara and daughters Daisy and Charlotte.

Johnny Johnson celebrated his 85th birthday at the home of his son Charles in Hillsborough, CA. **Carroll & Dorothy Sullivan** came from Menlo Park, **Morris & Connie Marcus** flew up from San Diego, and **Wes Yale** drove up from Pebble Beach to attend the birthday celebration. Morris wrote me, "About 50 people were there. The highlight to me was to see Johnny again and to meet some of his children and grandchildren. They are all what I would call beautiful people—fine looking. Even Johnny sang us a couple of songs in a strong voice, unusual for a person 85 years old." Many congratulations, Johnny, and here's wishing you many more birthday celebrations. Johnny has been bothered with shingles these past several months.

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He had been thinking about a trip to South Africa, but he may have to forego it.

After the Johnson birthday party **Morris & Connie** stayed over a few days doing a little sightseeing around San Francisco, which is Morris' birthplace; in fact, he visited the house in which he was born.

Mark McClure was the only one to show up at the Class luncheons in DC in July, Aug, and Sept. On each occasion he joined the 1920 group. He is hopeful that attendance will pick up starting in Oct.

I received a letter from Ferdinand Kramer, an ex-classmate who is Chairman of the Board of Draper and Kramer, a real estate, management, sales and mortgage co with offices in 7 cities in the US. He wrote, "In 1983 at the age of 82, Mal Clark from ME, and I were ranked #1 in the tennis doubles nationally for those 80 and over. We are called the super srs. We won the National Indoor Championship in San Francisco, the National Hard Court Championship in Santa Barbara, and the National Clay Court Championship in Charlottesville, VA. We have received 3 gold balls from the USTA, the same trophy that McEnroe and Martina received. This year my partner will be Ken Beer, a former 747 pilot for TWA, and we hope to make it a grand slam in all of the above-mentioned tournaments plus the National Grass Court Championship at the Agawam Hunt Club near Providence, RI." That really is an ambitious program for an octogenarian. Power to Ferd, and thanks for writing me.

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'23

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Recently I met a writer, Charles Schuyler Castner, who turned out to be a cousin of our classmate, **Lawrence Varsi Castner.** Charles Castner recently wrote a book about Milton S. Hershey called "One of a Kind" dealing with the life and times of Milton Hershey—a chain that brings back the meaning of an almost forgotten word called "devotion." He was a cousin and remembered **Lawrence Castner** and his work in Alaska (covered in obituary in Dec 80 ASSEMBLY). He gave me a book: **The Thousand-Mile War** by Brian Garfield, the first full scale history of the only military campaign fought on North American soil in WWII. Part of it follows: "Since before Pearl Harbor, Simon Buckner had been training a small but deadly unit of commando rangers, the Alaska Scouts. . . . The previous November, Buckner had authorized two of his top intelligence men to form the Scouts, boyish **Colonel Lawrence V. Castner** and tall anvil-jawed Maj Wm J. Verbeck '27 were both Alaska veterans; with four tough sergeants from Chilkoot Barracks, they had handpicked a platoon of volunteers and put them through an intensive, irregular commando course. **Castner**'s father, General Joseph C. Castner had organized the Philippine Scouts and **Castner** knew how to go about his job—anthropologists, doctors, engineers, fishermen, hunters, prospectors, trappers, Aleuts, Eskimos, Indians, the Scouts were long on special skills and short on military discipline; with their rustic parkas, gleaming knives, loose-slung rifles and bearded faces, they were soon known throughout the Territory as 'Castner's Cutthroats.'" There is much more in the book, but to remind you, **Lawrence Castner** was retired with disability in 1944 and died in Dec 1949.

Smith (an old cavalry man) wrote that he watched the Olympiads, especially the equestrian events. He never realized a horse could go at a 25-mile rate, a full gallop, and take without hesitating, jump obstacles down a slope into water and vice versa. One of the toughest seemed to be a jump off a ledge of 8-10 ft. and then over a fence—in this test the rider was not the Olympian; the horse was the athlete! Don't worry, Joe, the horses have been working at it a long time, they don't fly airplanes! The obituary of **Pat Timberlake** has been written by **Smith**—and submitted to ASSEMBLY. To help him in digging out salient points he had an excellent collaborator, Pierce Timberlake, Pat's nephew who was at Eglin when Pat was in command. During the summer **Smith** called on **Woggie Towle** who is no better—it takes a lot of help to support him. Best of luck, Woggie to you and **Jody**; the Class sends you both best wishes.

A nice note received from **Lee Shafer.** His time has been pretty full, going to Walter Reed, recuperating, taking care of details regarding his 17-day stay at Holy Cross Hospital, where he had good doctors and specialists. He had an appointment at Walter Reed at 12:30 p.m. on 13 Jul. His doctors say it may take a year to recover—it is hard to be patient and take a year to recover. We all wish you the best in all you do. **Dottie Kehm** wrote me about her sister **Edna Salsman** who died on 14 Jul '84 at Walter Reed Hospital. A cardiac arrest, after an operation, did brain damage and she slipped into a coma before she died. She was buried in Arlington Cemetery on 18 July 1984.

Forstall Adams wrote saying he had no other news or gossip but he seldom sees any '23 members or widows. **Marian Galusha** and **Peg Gruver** still live in Leisure World, but none of them see each other "because they are all just too old!" **Adams** gets around fairly well but he hates to rush off and leave Elsie, who feels a little worse than "gawd-awful." Elsie joins **Adams** in best wishes to the Class, and a Merry Xmas.

From **George C. Stewart** we had some news. **Stu Cowles** has regained his memory and appears absolutely normal in every respect. His recovery is a mystery. The doctors say that there is no medical explanation. He knows all his friends will be delighted as he is. **Stewart**'s son, Michael, has been taken in as a full partner in an old and respected law firm in Ft Worth, TX. Also his grandson John P. Patrick has just been promoted to Lt. Comdr. in the Navy. He went to UNC on a naval scholarship and received a regular commission. Good work after seven years—it is remarkable. George's wife, **Louise,** has had a complete recovery from her broken hip after a second operation in Nov. She is also now about well from a broken collar bone. George sends regards to **PR Dwyer** and to other classmates.

A few letters from the ladies: **Mrs. James B. Carroll** now lives in Syracuse, NY. Her Jun ASSEMBLY came on time and the first thing she looked for was the news of Class of 1923. She was glad to hear about the **Dwyers,** and their wonderful 60th anniversary. Jimmie and Helen had 44 very happy years. She misses Carlisle and all her nice friends there. **Mrs. Robert Krueger (Jean F.)** wrote about an ad she appeared in helping Old Point National Bank celebrate its 60th Anniversary. The **Kruegers** banked there for 60 years—quite a good place. Jean went to WP annual dinner at Ft Monroe in Mar and had her picture taken with WP Cmdt of Cadets, BG Moellering. She represented the Class of '23. Best wishes, Jean, looks like old folks do go back! Bob and your scribe lived together for a year as incubators at CA School in 23-24.

From **Mrs. George F. Heaney (Doris)** came a long but interesting story of her trip to El Paso and Hawaii. Doris was much surprised at all the changes made since her tour in HI. Now she is back to her daily tasks. Her three children welcomed her home to a clean house and good food in the "fridge." Thanks again from **Mrs. Miles Reber (Judy)** for pictures which I sent her on Miles activity in Germany in 53-54. Her remarks on weather in NH were "this summer the much wanted Berkshire Breezes have been conspicuous by their absence. It's been a time of hammocks, good mysteries to read, and the tinkle of a silver spoon amongst the ice-cubes as one stirs the iced tea!"

Mrs. Harold Shaffer (Edythe) wrote from San Antonio that her son-in-law, COL George A. Millener, Jr. (her daughter Shelley's husband) died in El Paso, TX. He was the son of COL George A. Millener '24, turnback from our Class.

Clyde Rich reported from San Antonio that because of summer doldrums there hasn't been too much activity in S.A., but did send in some information on wives. **Berbie Schlatter** attended graduation exercises with two of her grandchildren, both to become doctors: Margaret Schlatter in Washington, who will intern at Walter Reed and David Cook graduating from Bauman Grey College at Winston-Salem. Berbie then took two weeks summer tour to England with the Christ Church choir. Then went to Santa Fe for the opera season. **Emily Timberlake** misses her Pat very much, but manages to keep very busy; her family is there, and she knows many people in S.A. Clyde's wife, Marge went to S.F. for a week in early Jul and left the day the Democrats took over. She calls often on **Fannie (Bill Myers** wife), who is confined to a wheel chair, but is in good spirits. Clyde says "we are just plugging along, but best regards to all for the Xmas season."

Bill Craigie reported sad news that **J. P. Evans** died on 31 Jul 1984. Early on 19 Jul **Evans** had a slight stroke in the morning which affected his right hand, then that evening a severe stroke which paralyzed his entire right side and the ability to speak. After a few days at rest house—diagnosed recuperation very unlikely, he died on 31 Jul. He was cremated and interred at Woodlawn Mausoleum (Cemetery) in Santa Monica, CA. A memorial service was held on 6 Aug—small chapel, two pastors, and music (flute and clarinet) provided by granddaughter and a friend. **Evans**' wife, Violet, died in 1975. The Class sends our condolences to his family. His daughter Jacqueline Robinson's address is: 2800 Neilson Way, Apt. No. 1005, Santa Monica, CA 90405. **Adams** sent $25.00 to West Point Fund in memory of **Evans.**

Craigie saw **Jack Evans** and Jacqueline at A-N game in Pasadena. **Evans** looked OK then but Jacqueline says he was well until just before his 19 Jul stroke when he commenced having minor balancing problems. **Evans** took **Caffey**'s death rather hard. They were roommates in B Co. all four years at WP and Jack contributed significantly in **Caffey**'s memorial write-up, which is due to appear in ASSEMBLY shortly.

Another activity for **Craigie.** He took off for Galesburg, IL for five days in Sep to

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attend the 13th Annual Fly-In of the Stearman Restorers Assn. Bill was honored by the group at the 12th Fly-In at Galesburg in 1983. In 1935/36 Bill was Project Officer of the Army Air Corps PT-13, a primary training plane developed by the Stearman Airplane Co. of Wichita, KS (later Wichita Div. of Boeing Co.).

1923: Roy and Mary Dwyer at 60th wedding anniversary in front of poster made by their son on 50th anniversary.

Conners sent change of address last spring —which evidently did not get to me: 8305 Avalon Drive, Mercer Island, WA 98040-5614. Please correct your address book. They are building on Mercer Island, near Seattle, in Lake Washington. He sent information on their trip—crossed Russia by train in Dec and Jan—a fascinating trip. Heard some good music in Russia and Novosibirsk.

From far away Hawaii we hear from **Ralph Neal** whose address is: Arcadia, Apt. 531, 1434 Punahou St., Honolulu, HI 96822. Please correct your roster. Unfortunately their planned trip to Cairo and the Pyramids fell through; Ralph had a wart cut out of his left foot, which put him on crutches for three weeks, and they cancelled that trip because it required a lot of walking. Instead they took a trip to Switzerland; started at Zurich, then to Bern, Grindelwald, Lausanne, Geneva, the Matterhorn, St. Moritz, Geneva and back to Lucerne and Zurich; didn't miss any part of Switzerland. It was a very pleasant trip with a nice group of people. And now he says "Aloha and a Happy New Year for all."

Back in CA **Lyle Rosenberg** reported other visitors at their 60th wedding anniversary (see Sep ASSEMBLY). They were **Rhoda Fowler, Herb Enderton** and Mary Worsham, widow of L.D. Worsham '16; also two great-granddaughters, Christy and Kelly Osborne. Louise followed the custom by cutting her anniversary cake with Lyle's sabre.

In Sep ASSEMBLY, we used the word "feeble" to describe **Dunne's** physical condition;—it was used inadvertently according to Rosenberg's letter, as Dave's disability is due to arthritis in his hip. Sorry about the word, David—please excuse.

Had a letter from **Robinson** who says: "So you welcome 'good Snappy' reports from us guys in the field, do you? Well stand by—that is what you are getting." He stated that he and Dot packed their bags and wheelchair and took off for Idaho Spring, CO, the little mountain town where he was born 85 years ago! The alumni had a reunion and since he was an old grad and never attended a reunion before, they decided to do so. He was the oldest member of his Class and only one other around. He wrote, "Now the 'snappy part'—and I'm sure **Mac Magruder** will enjoy this! I was graduated Valedictorian of the class of 1917 and delivered the Valedictorian address at the graduation. Now, 67 years later at the Reunion Banquet the M.C. read from the school history the following—'**Warren Robinson's** valedictorian address was a gem of wording, phrasing and delivery and was beautiful beyond his years. When he bade farewell to his classmates there were many misty eyes—for his expressions were so genuine!' How about that." He ended his letter by a reminder: "If you live long enough to be the last man of your class, you suddenly become famous!" Along the same line, Dot and your scribe took a car trip to Johnstown, PA to attend two reunions of H.S. classes, one on 20 Jul was my class (1919) celebrating our 65th and the second on the 21st was for all classes before 1926 celebrating the closing of The Johnstown H.S. in 1926 (building still standing but not in use). No speeches, but a lot of visiting! Then on the 22nd we paid off a debt, a dinner for losing the 1983 Army-Navy game. This has been going on for the past 28 years. We would like to switch the bet to the Army-Navy 150# game, but our Navy friends will not agree.

Dave and Kay Dunne send in greetings from sunny and hot Southern CA. **Kenner Hertford's** comments on '23s Engineers at Cornell in 25-26 were of particular interest. Besides those he mentioned it included **John (Judge) Noyes** and **Dave Dunne.** Dave lived with **Charlie Stewart** and **Miles Reber.** During the brief break between summer session and the regular Cornell school year, Miles asked Dave to stay at his mother's home in NY—an invitation which Dave accepted with pleasure. Later Miles and Dave drove up to Ithaca in Dave's Model-T Ford complete with (disc-wheels) to begin the fall term. Cornell days hold many pleasant memories particularly since that is where Dave met his wife Kay, the sister of our classmate **Bob Smith.** Last Mar they celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary—now going for sixty. After 10 years in local politics as mayor and councilman of their fair city of Carlsbad, CA (pop. 42,000), he is now completely retired—about time!

Glenn Palmer says that nothing has happened in his area since our visit out there in Jun. He did hear from **Gjelsteen** and so did I. His new address is: 26 Wyndemere Way, Monterey, CA 93940. Correct your list again. **Palmer and Elizabeth** continue to enjoy life in St. Paul's Towers, and were happy to receive visits from GHP Jr '52 and his wife, and their daughter. He hopes other Class reps have more to tell than he does, but "Carry On."

Now we go way back east to ME and hear what **Wendell and Ruth Johnson** have to write about. Johnny mentioned the new Washington group leaders: **Ken Sweany** as Chairman, **Magruder** as Secretary and **Adams** as Treasurer—a very good team. Ken and Johnny have been close friends ever since cadet days in M Co. Thank you Wendell—it's always good to see that people read the notes. He has taken Dr's advice and cancelled his left rib replacement. He is relieved not to have to go thru another recuperation period and all the therapy—and he does his daily exercises! They have had many visitors, one by a niece and her mother, Ruth's sister, an Army widow. The **Johnsons'** son Gerald was transferred to Houston and now lives there. Gerald's older son Jerry Jr., with an MBA from U of Rochester, now has a fine position at Danvers (Boston suburb) and will visit Wendell and Ruth over Labor Day. The **Johnsons** had an enjoyable 10 days in Bermuda in Jun, staying at the Bermudiana Hotel in Hamilton. Xmas this year (84) is scheduled for Potomac, MD with their two sons and families.

We have a note from **John and Alice White.** They will have their family with them for Thanksgiving—then go to CA some time in the winter to visit relatives, classmates and old friends in the Bay area including **Palmer, Buckley** and **Harmony.** John said to please excuse his scribbling. His right hand is so swollen, he could hardly hold a pen. He was picking apples and didn't see a yellow jacket that stung him a couple of times.

Going south to eastern states we had a letter from **Frank and M. E. Wilder**—not much to report but sends greetings and best wishes to us and to the Class.

No news from **Serig** (how about it?) but from **Mary and Roy Dwyer;** Roy continues having physical trouble—his knees are getting stiffer and he walks with difficulty, therefore he moves about very little. He could stand up for the picture of himself and Mary for their 60th wedding anniversary (see Sep ASSEMBLY) in front of a wall poster. It was made by their son, Roy, taken at WP in vicinity of Ft. Putnam on their 50th anniversary showing names of places where they had served!

Charlie Gettys writes from FL that he flew out west to Phoenix, AZ to get to his nephew's home, "Goddard's Little Acres," near Preston, AZ. That was the initial gathering place of his relatives . . . 27 including 9 kids. When all arrived from their various states the Clan headed for CO. There were five full size camper vehicles, a few vans and one rented auto. One camper carried a collapsible boat, and everyone had a chance to do a little fishing from it. Throughout the area fishing was good and everyone young or old caught at least one fish.

For the next few weeks the locale shifted to include many perfect camp sites along the rivers and in the mountains. Climate varied from 105° in AZ to 44° in the mountains. They moved about like a bunch of Arab nomads. After the clan disbanded, Charlie joined one of the families and headed for his old home town of Sheridan, WY, close to the MO border. Final visit before returning to Tampa, FL was with his 92-year-old sister in Dallas, TX and then back to Tampa.

Received more news from **Ken and Laura Sweaney.** They, with their 3 grandchildren with families, gathered at Steve's and Londa's for their 60th wedding anniversary dinner in the evening. Earlier they went to Ft Ethan Allen where some pictures were taken in front of some lilac bushes where in 1924 their wedding pictures were taken. Since they returned they have learned that one of their granddaughters has made them great-grandparents, the first of that new generation. Laura joined Ken in wishing all the best of luck and Happy Holidays.

Joe Smith has requested the following: "We all know that in the historic 1922 A-N game, **Timberlake,** on a pass from Smythe, scored the winning touchdown in the last few minutes. The HOWITZER '23 text on page 341 erroneously credits **Dodd** as the receiver. It is surprising that this mistake has been overlooked for more than 60 years and it must be corrected for historical accuracy. The change required is simple and only needs substituting **Timberlake's** name for **Dodd** in the fourth paragraph titled 'Fourth Period,' page 341. The correct sentence should be: 'A forward pass, Smythe to **Timberlake (Dodd)** scored a touchdown for the Army.' The play chart on page 343 is correct in dia-

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gramming the pass from Smythe to **Timberlake.**"

Please note pg. 15 of your Sep ASSEMBLY! For 1923, 63% responses, total $3,275.00. That was a good showing, however, with the annual fund drive now going on all of you must be reminded to continue your donations for 1984-85, and keep it up for the coming years. All classmates are again reminded to keep up the great work of 1923. The Class report, with Treasurer's report has arrived. The current assets, according to **Adams**, Class Treasurer, is Checking Account, Metro Fed S&L on 15 Sep is $4,077.88. The Fund's transactions since our Apr luncheon include the receipt of interest totaling $128.99, and of expenditures totaling $100 for donations to the West Point Fund, Class of 1923 in memory of **H. K. Palmer, Hayselden, Bromley** and **J. P. Evans.**

The first fall luncheon of the USMA '23 Washington Group was held on 19 Sep at Ft McNair. Attending were **Edward F. Adams, Santiago G. and Carmen Guevara, Carter B. and Luella Magruder, Virginia Post** and her daughter-in-law, Joyce Post, and **Joseph and Anna Perle Smith.** A number of our regulars were missing, but their replies indicated that we might hope for a larger attendance at our final 1984 luncheon on 21 Nov, possibly including **Henry L. Shafer,** now on the road to recovery. The **Guevaras** spent two months last summer visiting their son in CA and while there saw **Wilbur R. and Mary Pierce.** In NH **Luella Magruder** won a golf tournament and **Carter** disproved the laws of probability. He won three and tied a fourth out of five games of bingo with 25 players. **Joseph and Anna Perle Smith** were fortunate in leaving Nags Head in NC just before Hurricane Diana arrived. GRIP HANDS

'24

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Rupert Graves' old outfit, the 517th Regt Combat Team (Parachute), held a ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington on 23 Jun. Over a hundred members attended, coming from points as far away as TX and CA. Under the direction of MG Louis A. Walsh '34, the original organizer of the RCT, and GEN Dick Seitz, a former battalion commander and later CG of the XVIIIth Abn Corps, a wreath was laid on the monument and a plaque with the insignia of the 517th Parachute Regt was placed in the museum adjoining the tomb. A dinner at the Quality Inn in Arlington, VA followed the ceremonies. The story of the airborne invasion of Southern France in 1944 is being published under the title **Thunder Over Hitler's Riviera,** by William Bruer.

1924: The Stubblebines.

Stubby & Mildred Stubblebine celebrated their 60th anniversary on 30 Jul with son Craig at Claremont, CA, where Craig is a professor of economics at the Claremont-McKennon College. Son Albert III '52 has retired in June and has accepted a position with a large corporation in McLean, VA.

Paul B. Nelson reports that son Paul Jr. '45 and his wife **Trudy** went to the Orient in May where they first spent 3 wks in China as a pair of modern day Marco Polos, visiting practically every city and place worth visiting. They then went to Japan for 2 wks, visiting Hokkaido where Paul Jr. had served with the 11th Abn in 1945-48. The high point of the trip was reached when they climbed Mt Fuji.

1924: The Allens' 60th Wedding Anniversary.

The month of May was a memorable one for the **Samouces.** On the 6th, **Sammy & Erica** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a "smashing midday luncheon (generously laced with champagne)" for one-hundred of their most intimate friends and relatives from Front Royal and London, plus a couple of Sammy's many grandchildren from VA colleges. Then after returning from the Class Reunion (already reported), the Samouces departed for the West Coast to attend the graduation festivities for some of Erica's granddaughters. After visiting in the San Francisco and Salt Lake areas and attending another graduation, they flew home to Virginia Beach on 4 Jun. Within a few days Sammy contracted a humdinger of a

1924: The Beurkets.

1924: The Mesicks.

case of shingles, necessitating a period of convalescence in the Shenandoah Valley.

On 21 Apr, in the Old Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow, **Ben Mesick** was married to Patricia Dabney Urquhart of nearby Irvington, NY. Ben & Pat have known each other since Oct 1943 when they crossed the Atlantic on the S.S. Queen Elizabeth I during World War II. Pat is a graduate of Smith College and the Smith College School for Social Work. She had 2 sons by her first marriage and gained 2 daughters (Ben's) by this one. The newlyweds plan, for the time being, to remain in Irvington in the summers and to winter in Tucson. The Class wishes them all the happiness in the world.

1924: Palmer, Hart, and Hains.

1924: Graves and GEN Seitz at Arlington.

By the time this is published the nomination of MG James E. Moore, Jr. '54 will undoubtedly have been confirmed. Jim Jr. will be assigned to command the Combined Field Army, Republic of Korea/US.

Peter & Bunny Hains took the Scandinavian cruise last Aug aboard the Royal Odyssey Scandinavia. First they flew to London where they were taken by bus from the airport direct to the ship at Tilbury, the seaport. The ship visited the ports of Copenhagen, Leningrad, Helsinki, Stockholm, Gothenburg, Havenger Fjord, Bergen, and Amsterdam. The cruise liner was a beautiful ship and the food was excellent, causing Peter to gain

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1924: The Harts.

weight. Both Peter & Bunny benefited from the trip. After returning they expected to visit the West Coast in Oct and also San Antonio, seeing relatives and also looking over the retirement home situation in TX.

1924: Mrs. Scott and Moore.

Tom & Helen Allen's daughter Helen and son-in-law Jan Vandersluis gave a reception for them in Retirement Village in Miami on 20 Jun. The occasion was the Allens' 60th wedding anniversary. It was a gala affair attended by 144 relatives, friends, and well-wishers. Tom confesses that he kissed each one of the ladies present. The Allen family now numbers 61, including 25 grands and 13 great-grands and their spouses, but not including two greats on-the-way. Tom & Helen keep busy in all the village activities. Both bowl and Tom is a horseshoe pitcher. Among the other celebrators of their 60ths last summer are the Stubblebines, McCormicks, Shunks, Wallaces, Holmes and Hinckes, and many more.

Mair Stevenson regrets, from Long Island, that she is unable to attend the Class functions because of difficulties in traveling alone; however, she sends her best wishes.

We regret to announce the following:

Ralph Arthur Koch died of cardiopulmonary arrest on 10 Jul, following a short stay in the hospital. He was alert and in full possession of his faculties to the end. Burial, with honors, was in the Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery on 12 Jul, next to Alice. **Dillon McHugh** and **Marcia de la Rose** represented the Class at the ceremonies.

Herbert Davis Vogel died from a heart attack on 26 Aug after being taken to the WRAMC that day. Interment in the Arlington National Cemetery on 29 Aug was attended by relatives and classmates and over a hundred other friends in the Washington area. Full military honors were provided. After a full career in the Army Engineers, followed by 9 yrs in a high government appointive position, Herb continued in the practice of his profession until the day he died, his 84th birthday.

Pete Shumate has advised us that **Helen** passed away from cancer at the Boulder Colorado Community Hospital on 12 Sept. She is survived only by Pete and a sister. The remains were cremated and will eventually be buried at WP.

Ruth Richards Robins died on 8 September in Corona, CA. After memorial services at the St. Mark's Episcopal Church in San Jose, she was buried beside Ray in the Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno.

'25

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Red Long and **Francis** have gone gallivanting off to Europe, on the QE II no less; so I (**Hoppie**) am the pinch hitter for this issue. I jot down these notes in mid-Sept, sitting on the almost deserted beach at Rehoboth, DE. **Sophie** and I, now residents of FL, still spend the summer here. We'll head south, along with the honkers, about 1 Oct. Fall is already in the air here, and there's a stiff breeze off the ocean. The air is crisp and cool, but the sun is warm and feels good.

Bill & Liz Wood were, for many years, summer visitors here along with **Mac & Mary Lou McManus** and **Johnny & Marge Roosma.** But Bill & Liz no longer make the long trip from FL, and Mac & Johnny have left us. Marge and 2 of the 3 Roosma sons were here for a few days this summer, but we missed them. Mary Lou lives about a mile away from us, and we drop in occasionally, or telephone. She still lives in the comfortable house, close to the beach, that she and Mac bought about the same time we first came here. But they were old timers long before we discovered this fine place. Her big house is kept filled up most of the summer with children and grandchildren from TX, DC, and CT, and the grandchildrens' friends.

Now that we are no longer year-round residents here, I don't often see the DC '25ers. But I had the pleasure of joining them at the Army-Navy Country Club for their Jul and Aug luncheons. It was well worth the trip from Rehoboth to get to see these "Old Faithfuls": **Don & Amy Bailey, Ruth Barnes, Hubert & Eliz Cole, Bruce & Bessie Clarke, Betsy Crandall, Don Dunford, Versa Underwood.** One of the regulars, **Jane Galloway,** was absent. She was at WP, recovering from a broken hip, at the home of COL ("P") Jerry, Jr. Former regular, **George Grayeb,** hasn't been able to attend in recent months. He's greatly missed. **Carl & Louise Meyer** occasionally drive down from their home in Chesapeake City, MD to have lunch with the group; but I wasn't lucky enough to pick a day that coincided with one of theirs.

Betsy Crandall, with obvious pleasure, announced the arrival of her first great-grandchild, Jennifer, granddaughter of daughter Nancy. Betsy was about to fly out to CA to meet Jennifer.

The **Clarkes** too have added a girl to the family—daughter of the Bruce, Jrs. who live in Austria, near Vienna.

Bill Nutter, reporting from El Paso, says that he and **Peg** keep their youthful spirit by visiting their daughter and family in CO. He maintains: "Our 1½-year-old grandson is the greatest kid in 40 counties." Of course, Bill. He adds that he and Peg hope to attend the 60th next May.

Red Newman writes from Sarasota, FL that he had been troubled with excessive swelling of the legs and feet. It was found that the heart medication he'd been taking for years had built up to toxic level in his blood. The medics reduced the dosage, and says Red, "No more trouble." So he and **Dorothy** expect to see us all at WP in the spring.

Both **Bill** and **Red** sent newspaper clippings about the death of our distinguished ex-classmate **Peter Hurd.** Those of us who attended the 50th Reunion will remember Pete's jovial presence at all the festivities; and we recall especially the ceremony, **Harry Crandall** presiding, during which **Pete** presented to the Academy one of his fine paintings of the Southwest: "Old Fort Seldon." (See p 106 of our 50-year book). Early on, **Pete** had the urge to be a West Pointer; he entered the Academy with our Class, but was turned back in math. In the interim, while boning up on math, he nourished a growing artistic talent. Then, after a few months back at the Academy, he realized that his true calling was to be a painter. So he resigned and went to study under the noted illustrator NC Wyeth at Chad's Ford, PA. There he met and married **Henriette,** daughter of his tutor. Many years later, there at Chad's Ford, the Brandywine River Museum was opened. It includes works by **Peter Hurd** and by members of America's best known family of painters, the Wyeths: NC, Henriette, Andrew, Jamie, and Carolyn. Peter & Henriette moved to New Mexico, bought a ranch, built a house, raised a family—and painted—Pete mostly landscapes, Henriette mostly portraits. Although Pete is known best for his scenes of the Southwest, he too was sought after as a portraitist. Among his subjects were our own **Pearre Cabell,** who had become a close friend, and President Lyndon Johnson. LBJ didn't think that Pete had done him justice; nevertheless, the Smithsonian was happy, later, to acquire the Johnson portrait. **Peter Hurd** died on 9 July 1984 in Roswell, NM. He is survived by **Henriette** and their children, Carol, Peter, and Michael.

From VA Beach, **Dwight & Elsie Harvey** report the June marriage of granddaughter Jane Daniels to USAF CPT Tom Ferguson, and on the schedule for Oct 1984 is the wedding of grandson Wayne Lambert, Jr. and Dorinda Smith. Bride and groom are both '84. Now that's the ultimate in great WP spirit!

Frank Pettit, writing from McMinnville, OR, says that he has no vision in his left eye and poor vision in the right. He finds that using the old yellow pad makes writing easier. Thanks for the tip, Frank. It makes reading easier, too. Less glare.

From **Gosco Gose** in Las Cruces: "Sandy Chilton is in the sick wing of this place. I saw him on his birthday. It was my dear mother's b'day too. My tribe (1 daughter, 3 sons, 15 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren) looks after **Eleanor** and me. Unable to make it in '85. Something might break loose." Maybe Gosco didn't mean to brag, but 32 progeny must be the Class record. There ought to be an award. Are there any competitors? Gosco and Eleanor used to live in El Paso; they moved to Las Cruces about 3 yrs ago, I think.

Jack & Elizabeth Bird still live in Lawton, OK, where Jack has retired from the banking business. They have Ft Sill "next door" and that helps them keep up their interest in things military. Jack also reports on family:

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"We have 3 granddaughters in the UMO and a grandson who is interested in WP. He played on the high school football team that won the MO state championship. He's also an A student. I believe our alma mater could use a few good athletes. We hope to make the 60th Reunion."

Speaking of reunions, 12 June 1925 is a memorable date. The anniversary, each year, entitles us to fill our glasses and sing our reminiscences of "Benny Havens, Oh," and on a more sober level, it tells us: "This is dues due date." I apologize to all for not putting a reminder in the June ASSEMBLY. Red's note in the Sept issue is bringing in some checks and also some notes for Class column.

Fine letter from **C.D. Renfro** in Capitola, CA. C.D.'s handwriting is remarkably legible in spite of his having almost no vision. He encloses dues and comments: "With inflation as it is, I hope this will be enough to help buy a few postage stamps. Are you still able to keep your tent pegged down in all the tropical storms that are lashing your coast? Here on our coast we're having some earthquake scares. I'll trade you a great shake for a fat hurricane. I'm feeling pretty well—in fact, so good at times that I have to look at the calendar to make myself believe that I am ⅘ of a century old plus 6." C.D., except for **Bobby Burns**, you're the oldest; but **Deuterman, Grayeb,** and **Wright** are pushing you. Incidentally, Bobby has been very sick for a long time. We have not heard from or about him in recent years.

Incoming dues also brought notes from **Hubert Cole, Bill Gillmore,** and **Nick Nicholas.** Hubert, in Arlington, VA, hopes that I am registered, and that, wherever I may be on 6 Nov, I won't fail to vote for his preferred candidate. Well, I won't fail you, Hubert; but I wish he'd ask my advice on some of his policies. Bill says, "I am now a great-grandfather—my grandson CPT Mike Lally, stationed in Korea, and wife Jennie had a daughter last summer. Also have another grandson; this one, via GA Tech, to Navy aviation, now stationed in Iceland. **Sylvia** and I enjoying the easy life here in Carmel; plenty of golf. See **Dottie Howze** frequently. Nick & Frances, not yet back in Ft Lauderdale, send greetings from Louisville.

Charlie wants to know if there are any offspring of '25 now in the Corps. Please let him know pronto: **Charles E. Saltzman,** 85 Broad St., New York, NY 10004. He'll also be sending to you more detailed information about our 60th Reunion. Please respond promptly to his request for decisions. And now, today's mail having brought no further checks or news, I must fold up my typewriter, feed the Datsun and head south. **Sophie** has put her DE garden to bed and is impatient to awaken the FL flora. God willing, we'll see many of you at WP for the big reunion next May.

'26

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A letter from **Parker Reeve,** Brisbane, Australia, announced that dau Susan has presented them with grandson, David Reeve King-Scott. Parker says he is a fine little fellow and that mother and son are doing well. He says that we people in the contiguous 48 can't appreciate fully the advantages of space available (SA) travel. He and **Gwen** make considerable use of MAC. Once they flew SA to CA, then took Amtrack to Seattle, bus to McChord AFB, SA to Elmendorf AFB, SA to Dover AFB. Another time they went SA to LA, Eastern via Atlanta to Sea-Tac, bus to McChord, thence via Elmendorf again to Tokyo and back. On one junket they met a couple that really had it made. They were both CPTs, Coast Guard, retired, and could fly SA anywhere MAC went. Parker says that, although Australia has a labor government for the moment, he doubts that it will ban visits by nuclear-powered ships or ask the US to withdraw its bases. He and Gwen send regards to all and hope that his contribution to the flower fund lasts a long time.

Bill Creasy sent in a report on **Lillian's** condition, which he describes as good—not excellent. On 3 Jul a cat scan showed remarkable remission with a prognosis of complete elimination of tumor and a possible complete remission of cancer. Three wks later, Bill says, the prognosis is still considered valid. Her speech is excellent; she can almost feed herself and walks with assistance. A 16-hr sitter helps. Bill says, "You may take us off the disaster list." He suggests a new category titled routine geriatric collapse, and thinks they should have lots of company there.

1926: Thurston, contemplating his next move, in Igls, Austria.

From Solano Beach, CA came a letter from **George Hickman,** prompted by **Ben Thurston's** account in a recent issue of a meeting with **Hal Forde** and George. He writes that he and **Peggy** have lived in CA since 1960, when he retired from the Army and commenced teaching at the law school of the U of San Diego. He retired from teaching about 10 yrs later. They have 3 daughters and 7 grands, all living east of the Mississippi. George seems to be enjoying retirement as much as he enjoyed life as a cadet, an infantryman, and as a lawyer.

From TX, **Jack Doyle** writes that the folks there have no news except the infirmities of age. At least we assume that nothing bad has taken place and that no news is good news.

From CA, **Spud Murphy** sent in this report: **Hal & Betsy Forde** are in reasonably good shape and sound cheerful. Betsy is improving slowly from her broken hip while Hal definitely must continue wearing the prosthetic device to immobilize his 2 tilted vertebrae that are pinching a nerve. Hal was gloating over the fact that he had at last caught up with the rest of us and on 15 Jul joined the "Octos." I received a note from **Don Booth** in Jun saying that **Leon Johnson** had been in CA visiting his sister and had called Don. To quote Don, "We had a pleasant conversation, and Leon brought me up to date on all the classmates in DC." Pursuant to **Pres Vald's** request that we estimate the situation regarding the 60th reunion and come to a decision, Don talked to Sam Fisher '24 after his 60th reunion last Jun and says that Sam was enthusiastic to the nth degree about the ability of the Octos to reunite. Sam was an old artillery friend, and his after-action reports are reliable.

Hal Doud writes that he and **Marie** have slowed down considerably. He keeps in shape by working out in the gym, but Marie's arthritis hampers her a bit. Hal no longer likes long auto trips and has had his fill of airports. Marie still runs up to UT to visit her people. The Olympics caused them to stay close to home for fear of the traffic, but the anticipated mess didn't occur. **Paul & Marian Carroll** report that they too have slowed down a bit and have been staying close to home. Paul keeps in shape playing tennis regularly.

I talked to **Aline Kirchhoff** just as she was leaving by air for Tiburon, the spectacular peninsula projecting into San Francisco Bay in Marin Co. Her youngest son, David, and his new wife, Lynn, are expecting, which is the reason for Aline's visit. They are living in the house that she and **Kirk** spent so much loving care building and landscaping. It overlooks beautiful Angel Island. Kirk & Aline used to hold a wonderful champagne party on the opening of the SF Bay yachting season. We lined their long veranda admiring the hundreds of boats that paraded past. Kirk's condition is unchanged; he is mostly bedridden.

The **Murphys** have joined the ranks of those who have slowed down. **Gen** has arthritis in the hip and leg and must use a cane, and I have attacks of pernicious lethargy. Between the two of us we don't have enough ambition to arrange for any of the delightful tours we enjoy reading about. Our grandson, Dr Timothy Murphy, a PhD in atomic physics, has just returned from 3 yrs with the Research Fellowship in the Dublin Institute for advanced studies. He reported for duty the first wk in Sept for his new job in Los Alamos, NM. We look forward to seeing him there. (End of Spud's report).

Your scribe wrote a short letter to **Roy Kaylor** and received a nice reply from **Angela.** I quote in part: "Roy enjoyed your letter so very much and asked that I answer for him. His fingers are quite crippled, and it is difficult for him to even sign his name. To save him worry and concern about this, I have obtained a power of attorney and thus am more easily able to transact all business and financial affairs. He had been exceptionally well ever since we married. He taught math in high school after his retirement for about 12 yrs and never missed a day. One day about 13 yrs ago, he felt that he was coming down with a cold (unusual with him). He requested a substitute for a few days. This lasted until March, when he had to resign." Angela says that ever since then Roy has taken many tests and has been in and out of hospitals with severe pain in all his joints. He lost 70 lbs and went from a cane to a walker to a wheelchair. Recently he spent a week in bed, and after a 2-wk stay in Kaiser Hosp was transferred to a skilled nursing home where he is still confined. She says she is hoping to have him back home again soon. Angela was quite excited about the Olympics, especially the diving. She used to be a champion diver and backstroke swimmer, and many yrs ago qualified for the Olympics at Madison Square Garden.

Evelyn & Vald Heiberg have managed to escape some of FL's heat by taking planned trips to cooler climes. In May they flew to

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OK to visit their son Bill and his family. While there they witnessed wild buffalo and longhorn steers in their native habitat on the plains near Ft Sill. In Jun they took a conducted bus tour to Nashville where they attended a great performance of the Grand Ole Opry and spent an interesting day experiencing the many and varied wonders of Opryland. In Jun they took to their auto for a 3,000 mi trek which reached as far as ME, where they visited the spacious summer home of Ginny Spivey (widow of Del Spivey '28). En route to and from ME they paused for visits with their dau Dorothe, wife of Skidmore '65, and her family at Ft Stewart, GA as well as a stop to visit son Vald and his family in VA. They also spent a couple of days with the Garlands '27 in Red Bank, NJ. While there, they spent a very enjoyable evening with **Bill & Hazel Bayer** in their penthouse apt in Asbury Park. The Heibergs changed their tempo in Aug by flying to New Orleans where they boarded the luxurious stern-wheeler **Mississippi Queen** for a cruise on Ole Man River. This provided visits at Natchez, Baton Rouge, and other ports, where they inspected ante-bellum homes and various historic sites. They concluded the cruise with a couple of days at the interesting, but not spectacular, New Orleans World Fair. Their Sept break involved a visit to WA by auto train to take part in a gala family reunion on the occasion of the promotion of their son Vald, and the wedding of their oldest grandson.

Ben Thurston writes that he and **Hazel** returned in Jun from a trip to Europe which they themselves planned and executed. They used the Eurorail Pass for traveling, and although they set up some lodging ahead of time, they also relied on local tourist bureaus with great success. In the main station of most cities there's a place that will set you up for lodging. You tell them in English the area you want and the limit you want to pay, and you get a place. Ben says they took many side trips and traveled light with only carry-on luggage that each could handle easily. It worked out better than any trips they've ever had. Most people speak some English, and the little German and French at Ben's command were enough to handle any problems. Ben liked being able to find chess competition most anywhere in German-speaking countries. Even small villages go for it. (See a photo elsewhere in these notes, if it can be reproduced, showing Ben beating an opponent in a little place called Igls near the Inn River in Austria.) Ben says he had a nice phone chat with **Freddy Munson.** They had not seen each other since graduation. They talked about the 60th reunion, and Freddy said he doubted he would go. But Ben is planning on it as it will fit in with visits to relatives on the East Coast.

From Walla Walla, **Bill Mills** writes: **Rosie** and I flew to Des Moines 31 Aug for a reunion of the 46th Engrs with which I went to the SWP in Jan 1942. We spent a couple of days there, then on to Baltimore to visit our dau Mickie and family. Mickie drove us to visit two of my sisters, who live in a retirement home in Hightstown, NJ. On the way we stopped to visit **Skinny & Wave Ringler.** A few days later we drove to Carlisle, PA for a visit and lunch with **Al & Effie Heidner.** We enjoyed our visits very much and were happy to see our classmates in good health.

DEPARTED. I regret to announce the receipt of a note from **Vald Heiberg** enclosing a letter from **Admiral Sims** reporting the death of **Lucile,** beloved wife of **Morris Nelson** and beloved friend of the Sims and of all classmates in the DC area. She died of heart failure in her home in Arlington, VA, 3 Sept. She had been under great stress, having been notified just 6 hours previously that her daughter Ann's husband, Ralph Haymaker, COL, USAF, Ret, had just died in San Antonio. Ralph had been Nellie's aide in the service. Funeral services for Lucile and burial took place in San Antonio 10 Sept. Vald talked to **Jimmie Burwell,** who said that flowers had been sent by the Class. We wish to express to Nellie and his family our deepest sympathy. Admiral says that he attended the wedding of Nellie and Lucile Flannery and that the Sims and Nelsons were lifelong friends. He says that Nellie is greatly distraught but is holding up pretty well.

You may have read that **Peter Hurd,** ex-'26, died of pneumonia at St. Mary's Hosp, Roswell, NM, 9 Jul after a long illness. We send our sincere condolences to his family.

For years I have been interested in establishing and operating a historical museum on the site of Ft Sherman, built in 1878. I would like to have a WP cadet tarbucket to display, preferably one with a plume, although we would gladly accept one with a pompon. Mine was destroyed bit by bit through the years by my nephews playing soldier. If anyone is in the mood to donate one, please let me know. I hope you read **Red Reeder's** little story in the Sept issue on p 33. I remember that game well, but was not close enough to see the little passage between Red and Casey Stengel. As I recall, the teams used to trade pitchers, and **Sparky Baird** pitched for the Giants one year.

Word was received after the Class notes had already been sent in to ASSEMBLY that **Bob McDonough** died 18 Sep at Walter Reed after a losing battle with cancer. He had been under the dedicated care of his sister, Alice Nesbitt since Jan. Bob's sister-in-law, Mrs. Paul R. Walters, wrote that he was able to see his daughter Sheila Reese and his two grandchildren at the hospital before he went to sleep that night. A memorial service was held at the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament Church 25 Sep, and his ashes were to be interred at Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery 5 Oct. Jimmie Burwell brought flowers. The Class sends sincere condolences to the surviving members of Bob's family.

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Blair Garland sent in a fine report of his presence on the French shores for the 40th Anniversary of the D-Day landings. The snap showing Blair on Utah Beach is not exactly precise, he stated; actually he came ashore on EASY RED 1 exit on Omaha Beach, some distance to the east of Utah. Rainy weather kept him from having his picture taken at Omaha Beach. Of local appearances, he stated that "nothing has changed; the roads are the same narrow ones; the stone farmhouses look as they did in '44; the people are polite, but not too friendly." He rated the Memorial events as excellent: "the President spoke at San Laurent Cemetery and placed a wreath there; I got close enough to him to get a picture of him and Mitterand." Blair missed the Queen at Utah Beach but saw her later in England when she dedicated a D-Day Museum at Portsmouth, which includes a "tapestry of the preparations made for the invasion and of the invasion that is longer than the famous Bayeux Tapestry."

From the beach area, Blair then went to Rheims, where the surrender took place and then on to Bastogne for a 2-day look at the area of the Battle of the Bulge. He saw Spa and Verviers, where his 9th TAC had its hqs before and after the Bulge. He commented also that **Ralph Zwicker** came in with the 2d Div, which took over the same bldg in Verviers for their hqs as the one used by 9th TAC. Appraising the Jun trip, Blair stated, "All in all, it was an emotional experience; I am glad to be able to relive the many experiences after 40 years." Indeed, it was a great return for him!

1927: Garland on his 40th D-Day Anniversary.

Chris Nelson, as usual, came through splendidly with reports and snaps of San Antonio gatherings with 2 Class visitors who came through the area. In late Jun, **Chuck Stone** was first there, and attended a gathering of the classmates and ladies which "turned out to be quite a pleasant party." Then Chris took off for "north country" to see his daughter and family, and, en route, his brother and sister-in-law. In late Jul he was back and joined in an assembly of the San Antone group on the occasion of a surprise visit by **Ray Bell,** who "looked well and, as usual, was in the best humor." Some of the accompanying pictures will go to highlight these 2 luncheons and some of the happy participants.

1927: Natalie Aloe, Lepping, and Stone at a San Antone gathering.

Mac & Jean Miller spent much of Jul and Aug getting around, getting work done, and having a fine time. They were busy! Their first day away was spent at WP where Mac transacted Class and personal business. He turned over the Class records for the 35th, 40th, 45th, and 50th reunions to the library, holding on only to the 55th to serve as a guide for our 60th. He also had some older records preceding the 35th, which he will put into "presentable shape eventually." The records were warmly welcomed by the li-

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brary, where they will have a good home, and be readily available to all.

Mac also visited the Palisade Motel, saw the manager, and almost "buttoned up" the availability of the motel for our 60th, considered preferable to going to Bear Mountain Inn. By late '86, definite reservations can be made for the motel. After the WP business, the Millers drove to Avon, CT, to visit Jean's brother Duncan Somerville and his wife, and then went on to VT to visit some old Army friends for a few days, followed by return to Avon and then back to Chevy Chase. Then, in late Aug, they flew to Munich, to be met by son Rusty, now a major stationed in Heidelberg, but on leave, and by young grandson Andrew. The 2 families assembled in Garmisch for a "delightful" 7 days at the Patton Hotel, bringing together also the new granddaughter Caitlin, 7 months old, and daughter-in-law Carol. From Garmisch they all drove to Heidelberg for another week's visit—"fine weather and a great time." Then Rusty drove them to Frankfurt for the flight home. "All in all, it was a wonderful visit," Mac stated.

1927: Aloe and Bell in San Antonio.

Now to sad news. We suffered 3 losses from the Class during Jul. Those who passed on were **Edward J. F. Glavin, Robert H. Naylor,** and **Lawrence E. Shaw.**

Eddie Glavin died at the Norwalk, CT Hospital on 25 Jul, with burial services at WP on 30 Jul, at which **Bob Wohlforth** represented the Class. Survivors include his wife Margaret, a daughter Gail Hirsch, and a sister, Anne Dascomb.

Bob Naylor died on 28 Jul, as reported by his son. Full data, however, had not been received by deadline as to funeral arrangements or other survivors.

1927: A Texas quartet: Mabel Lepping, Jean Burgess, Nelson, and Ethel Kuter.

Larry Shaw died at Bethesda Naval Hospital on 29 Jul, with funeral services at Ft Myer Chapel and interment in Arlington Natl Cemetery on 2 Aug. Pallbearers from the Class were **Collins, Hines, Lowe, Miller, Trapnell,** and **Lillard.** There was a full attendance from the many friends of the DC area. Survivors include his wife Suzanne; daughters Janet Finn and Stephanie Barusso; and 2 grandchildren.

1927: Mac Miller and grandson Andrew in Heidelberg.

The deepest condolence of the Class is extended to all the survivors of these 3 fine classmates. They will be missed and long remembered.

Among the letters this quarter was that of our Mrs. Bernard C. Rose, who saw in a Hartford paper the obit notice for **Eddie Glavin** and forwarded it. The Scribe thanks Renee for her loyalty to the notes! **Bob Wohlforth** also sent in early reports and obits on Eddie's passing. Such letters are always of great help.

Mary Cobb, widow of **Ty,** wrote that, upon the sale of the home in Birmingham, she had moved back to her "hometown, where she has a brother, niece, and old friends." She stated that now she is "comfortably established in a small apartment, and enjoying good health." Her new address is: Mrs. Arthur L. Cobb, Apt. 905, 1823 Parsley St., Pascagoula, MS 39567.

This summarizes the news for this quarter. Please send items of interest to the Scribe by early Dec, with any snaps that you have. Remember that we want to hear from or about all of us!

'28

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A note from **Ed Reber** informed that he and **Betty** were moving to a retirement home—Meno Haven, 2259 Scotland Road, Chambersburg, PA, 17201. Ed says this is the last move he will make under his own power.

And a clipping sent to me informed that **Sonia V. Johnston,** widow of **Paul H.,** died on 3 Apr at Lakewood, Tacoma, WA, and was buried in Mountain View Memorial Park. I express here the sympathies of the Class to her children and grandchildren.

1928: The Caldwells at Castle de Chillon, Montreux, Switzerland.

Bob Fleming was buried in Arlington Cemetery on 26 July. Most of the DC Area Gang were present for the grave side services. Bob died out in CA on 14 July and his daughters brought his remains to Arlington for burial. Deepest sympathies from the Class to Bob's family.

Note from **John Farra** says he is fine except for a back problem from lifting his lawn mower out of the car trunk. I sympathize, for I have the same problem from lifting one chunky granddaughter too many times. From now on I will not even lift a feather. **Bill Caldwell** wrote from Maitland, FL inclosing a picture of **Bill & Marge** at Castle de Chillon, Montreux, Switzerland, where they have spent the past 12 summers. Bill gave up his professorship at Orlando College last year.

Jeannette Maerdian would like to have the address of **Frank Faulkner's** widow, **Betty,** so she can return Frank's Class Ring, loaned to Bill some years ago. If sent to me I will forward it.

Next deadline is Jan. 5, 1985.

'29

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For those who attended the 55th and have a copy of the group photo, and those who saw a copy in the Sept ASSEMBLY, and were unable to identify all therein, **Bill Bullock** has good news for you. He, bless him, undertook to make a diagram of the photo and, with the assistance of **Susie Lane Armstrong, Marion McDonald, Jackie & Ken Nichols,** and others unknown, to identify eveybody. Ye scribe is sure that he will be happy to send a copy—a business size SASE is suggested.

Publication of the updated Class roster on 16 July 84 quickly demonstrated that it was not all that up-to-date. There follows a listing of changes, corrections, deletions, etc:

Classmates

28. **Draper:** change address to 2215 Woodcrest Dr., Columbus, GA 31906
33. **Fitzgibbons:** change wife's name to **Phyllis**
38. **Greeley:** delete **Marion,** deceased 29 June
42. **Harkins: Paul** died 21 Aug
72. **Partin: Calvin** died 20 Jun

Widows

5. **Arnett:** address unknown
12. **Bryan:** delete "now Mrs L L Martin"; add: 1856 Clay's Mill Road, Lexington, KY 40503
24. **Cooper:** address unknown
26: **Fadness:** address unknown
37. **Hayden:** address unknown
43. **Jones:** deceased; date unknown
69. **Montgomery:** change State to MS
91. **Smith:** add "NW" after "Cathedral Ave."

If any of you have not received a copy of the Class roster, or know of a classmate or widow who did not receive a copy, please send a postcard to me with the name and current address.

On 13 Sept the DC Group enjoyed a luncheon arranged by **Bill Thompson** at the Ft Myer O Club. In attendance were **Senta Bell, Red & Marian Calloway, Paul & Della Caraway, Fred Chaffee, Mary Lynch** (from out of town!), **Bozo & Gertrude McKee, Ken & Jackie Nichols, Georgia Ostrand, Emma Rasmussen, Betty Reilly, Ralph & Bobbie Strauss, Marshall & Harriett Stubbs, Daddy/**

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Fenn Sykes and guest Ginger Ivory, **Bill & Nell Thompson**, and **Slim Vittrup**.

I am pleased to have received a copy of **Engineer Memoirs, LTG Walter K Wilson, Jr.**, published in May 84 by the Historical Div of the OCE. In tracing his career and detailing his experiences in various activities and commands, the memoir has preserved valuable information for study by those following in his footsteps.

Bob Cook was under treatment at WRAMC in Aug for a rare type of peripheral nerve problem affecting his feet. It was quite painful and resistant to prior treatments. At Walter Reed, the 3d program of medication proved helpful and Bob returned to his home in FL a much happier man.

News came from **Bill Francis**, via **Kai & Emma Rasmussen** that he and **Charlotte** expected their 5th great-grandchild about 1 Sept.

Bill McCulla writes that the cover on the Summer 84 issue of the **National Geographic Travel** shows the lighthouse and the lighthouse keeper's home by Coast Guard Beach in Orleans, MA. Seems that our ex-classmate Lou Rowell owned the house which they bought before the National Seashore Park was established. Before they died they did a lot of remodeling and restoration work. Incidentally, Lou was on active duty until '67—almost as long as **Abe Lincoln** ('69).

Johnny Theimer has written that the good news from the West Coast was the Army win over Colgate on 15 Sept.

In looking over the promotion list in the 6 Aug issue of **Army Times, Sam Silver** believes that he spotted 3 of interest: #2, Robert Weigand, **Dudley's** son; #12, Lincoln Jones III, **Stan's** nephew; #35, Thomas Griffin, Jr., **Tommy's** son.

'30

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Dear Gang: Those who take ASSEMBLY will have noticed for some time the name of **Jim Brett** among the names of the Trustees of the AOG. As of this past July **Jim** joined another classmate, **Johnny Murrell** as a Trustee Emeritus, a distinguished and select group. GEN Mike Davison '39, President of the Association, in a letter dated 13 July, took note of Jim's record of 12 yrs as trustee and specifically of his long service on the WP Fund Committee, commending him for the guidance he provided during the early days of the committee, the policies and programs he helped establish, and the framework erected for sustained growth. GEN Davison added: "Your commitment . . . of your time and energy, as well as your personal generosity, is highly impressive. . . . I and the Association will continue to depend upon your sage advice as the Association moves into the future. We are truly grateful to you." We all know that Jim Brett's way is a quiet and efficient way. The Class takes pride in his accomplishments and joins in the above commendation.

Charlie Dodge reports that the responses to the 55th Reunion poop have been coming in nicely. However, be it remembered that the longer you wait the more likely it becomes that it might just slip your mind and fall into the horrible state of oblivion. So, unless circumstances absolutely deny, climb aboard, stick your necks out and prepare for a jolly 1985. A worthwhile outfall of **Charlie's** accomplishments will be a badly-needed revision of our address list. As soon as all replies are in, a new list will be printed and distributed.

By the time this bulletin is delivered via ASSEMBLY there will have been a long-delayed gathering of classmates in the DC area for a luncheon on 10 Oct at the Officers Club at Ft McNair, incited by **Bob Wood**. A report on the proceedings will be announced in the Mar issue of ASSEMBLY.

Thad Broom responded to the invitation to participate in the McNair luncheon in an unfortunately negative way due to a variety of health problems being encountered by both **Thad & Elnora**. Come next May, however, wild horses couldn't keep them from coming to our 55th.

Jean Quinn's new address is 1670 Carlyle Drive, #D, Crofton, MD 21114.

'31

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All will be glad to hear that, after nearly 2 months in Walter Reed, **Johnny Waters** is back home and doing very well. On 1 July, his carotid artery received surgical attention to correct a problem that had recently developed with his vision. Even though complications occurred, I knew from the powerful handshake he gave me from his intensive care bed, when I visited him several weeks later, that our First Captain had all the stuff needed to fight back.

Gus & Alice Wirak got away last June for a memorable jaunt to Europe under the guidance of a tour manager named Helen Krueger. The crossing was made the old-fashioned way—by steamer—on the **Queen Elizabeth II**. Five days spent exploring historical sites in the south of merry old England (Stonehenge, etc.) was followed by riding the Orient Express to Venice via Hannibal's Simplon Pass. Five more days found them lingering here and there between the Lido and the glorious lake country of northern Italy.

Last May, **Doc & Elsie Strother** took one of those peaceful trips on a canal barge through the waterways of the Netherlands followed by circumnavigation of the British Isles aboard a Viking ship.

Bill & Charlotte Train took in 4 days of the Olympics this past summer, mixing in a few tacks to Catalina on a friend's ketch, and, why not, 4 days of golf at La Jolla. Their plans for the following 6 months were to stay quietly close to the home fires, except for a week at Yosemite, a ski trip to Austria in Jan, and a golfing trip to South Africa in Feb.

Larry Ayers says that he and **Brig**—what with snow-skiing in winter and water-skiing in summer—they have it made where they have chosen to live, Auburn, CA. However, they did take off briefly last summer to fly to Ireland, where they had spent the first 6 yrs of retirement and where Larry now met the last of Brig's 12 brothers and sisters.

Charlie Densford says he's nowhere near resuming publication of the **Root of the Matter**, but, still sensing the urge, may get around to it if all goes well. **Johnny Barr**, though contending with throat cancer, insisted until recently on working his garden. **Norma** had been quite active on the political scene as secy of the Bandera County Republican Cmte and as a member of the Bexar Country Republic Women's Club, which she encouraged **Cora Densford** to join.

Last summer, the **Steinbachs** decided, for a change, to see a bit of America—4500 driving miles worth of northwest USA; en route, they had dinner with the Freemans '29 in Monterey, and with **Jeanne** and "quite a fisherman" **C2 Smith** in their beautiful home on Lake Washington.

Pursuant to the provisions of the AOG constitution and in sole consequence thereof, **Ted Parker**, as of 1 July 1984 concluded, because of age and age alone, his status as trustee on the active list and became a trustee emeritus. With **Deadeye**, we now have 2 emeriti.

Bob & Mary Lee have sold their winter condo in FL and will henceforth seek refuge from CO winters by travel hither and yon. Bob says our '31 contingent in the Springs area currently stands at 5—with **Strother**, whom he sees frequently, **Carter**, whom he sees from time to time, **Bowman**, with whom he fishes frequently, and **Duff**, who summers in the Adirondacks and whom he sees now and again. He reports that **Barbara Hackett** is doing OK. Meanwhile, I have just heard that **Pat Carter** suffered a heart attack on 21 Sept, was in the Penrose Hospital in the Springs, and was improving.

Dutch & Dee Spangler accomplished an interesting houseboat exploration with son and family. Navigation was by compass; the area covered was the length of Colorado River's Lake Powell, impounded for over a hundred miles in UT behind Glen Canyon Dam, AZ. Two costly catfish were caught—the license fee, $15.

Dean Herman sends word that **Bill Taylor** was engaged in "graduate work (workouts) at the Cardiology Rehabilitation Center" after which in Oct he was scheduled to visit his daughter's family in Irvington, VA. Dean also writes that **Martha Bethune**, even while on crutches in Sept, was busy in El Paso as director of Zone 2, visiting "tables" in the western sector of the Pan Am Round Table.

Harry & Norma Cooper say they live "rather quietly out here" in El Paso. However, a report from a reliable source indicates that in Sept they flew to Amsterdam for their maiden fling at Europe. By air, motor vehicle, boat, train, and even on foot they trod. Up the valley of the Rhine from Rotterdam to Basel and thence through the wine country of eastern France to Germany they meandered ere entrainment at Strasbourg for Amsterdam for fly-back home.

Carl Kohls reports that **Deak Roller** passed through El Paso on 12-13 July, giving Carl the opportunity to treat him to dinner in celebration of Deak's birthday #77. **The Wiraks** also received a short visit. Gus says, "those who haven't seen it should see Deak's van." Separately, I hear that Deak contacted **Ruggles** in Phoenix, **Dorothy Thompson** in Houston, **Burns** and **Flaherty** in Sun City, AZ, **Damburg, Dudley** and **Mary Levenick** in the Los Angeles area, and **MacLachlan** in San Diego.

In the late summer, **Deak** took the Russian tour advertised as "The Passage of the Czars" and sponsored by the AOG and the grads of USNA. He found the Soviet cities a lot cleaner than ours, but the building construction and maintenance quite inferior. This echoes my own findings from a 3-week excursion that I took my oldest grandson on a few years back. It's a venture well worth taking. It is different, eye-opening; the remnants of the czarist era fabulous, and the music, dancing, art, and ice cream provide experiences not to be forgotten. Deak called on **Ben Turpin** in Mendham, N.J.

Bill Train has come to my rescue. He

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filled in the names of the 2 in the yearling summer camp picture that appeared in ASSEMBLY's June issue whom, due to the age of the snapshot, I was unable to recognize. They are Duke Ondrick (subsequently Class of '32) and **Bob Holland.**

The 17 July and 18 Sept DC area stag lunches at the A&N Country Club in Arlington found 13 of us hale and hearty attending each. The next quarterly get-togethers are scheduled for 2 Apr, 19 July, and 20 Sept 1985; publication of these dates has finally borne fruit. **Paul (Horkeye) Burns** took note of this valuable information in our last column and joined us on 18 Sept on the occasion of a visit to his daughter in this area. We were delighted to see him (the first for me since our 5th reunion).

The Class Fund received a very generous contribution from **Sid Brown** in memory of his wife **Betty,** whose name will be inscribed in the Memory Book at WP.

Mary Anne McGee's gallant 2½-year fight against cancer ended on 26 June. She was buried in the Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery in a grave overlooking the 3d hole of the golf course where she enjoyed playing so very much for many years. Most of the San Antonio classmates attended the services, with **Jack Gordon** and **Tom Marnane** as honorary pallbearers.

With deep regret, we learn of **Bill Hampton's** death from heart failure on 16 July in Denver. He had earlier suffered a series of strokes. His daughters, Diane and Karen, were with him during his last days. He was entombed in the mausoleum of the Shrine of the Rest Chapel in Colorado Springs. The Class was represented at the services by **Bowman, Carter,** and **Lee.**

After a distinguished career, his military service cut short in 1946 by retirement because of physical disability, and after many years suffering from heart disease, our Rhodes Scholar classmate **Ned Parker** passed away at his home in Washington on 7 Oct. He was laid to rest at West Point on 11 Oct.

We are also sorry to learn that **Freddie Redden** passed away in Salt Lake City on 23 Aug. Our heartfelt condolences to his widow, **Oma.**

Shortly after New Year's, the first bulletin regarding our 55th reunion will be published. In the event you should know of any classmate or widow who fails to receive said bulletin, please advise **Clyde McBride,** telephone 301-262-0187, 12802 Brunswick Lane, Bowie, MD 20715. Incidentally some 60 of the Class of '30 have signed up for their 55th. We intend to prepare and distribute a new Class directory for the 55th. Any address changes not already reported and/or any errors of omission or commission that you may have noted should be made known to me.

At **Ockie's** suggestion, anyone who sends me news for use in our Class notes will receive a copy of the very tasteful little brochure on the Thayer Award Room prepared by our classmate's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dean Herman, Jr.

Correction. There is no such town as Baja in CA. The inevitable use of an abbreviation (the Golden State's CA) plus the interposition of a comma by our translator in the middle of Mexico's Baja California resulted in this curious twist to geography.

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BEAT NAVY

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'32

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Lots of Class news in the additional bunch of mail received as a result of my letters to help Westmoreland '36 in his $120 million libel suit against CBS. If that case has not been settled by the time you read this, send a tax free donation to the Capital Legal Foundation, 700 E St SE, Washington, DC 20003, attn Kay Daly, to help Westy continue to the end. Ask for a photocopy of the TV GUIDE cover story which gives all the details of CBS's dishonest presentation. Anything Westmoreland receives will be donated to the USO, Red Cross Field Service and other charities dear to our hearts.

1932: Essie and Charlie Baer

Al Clark wrote that he gave another donation and went on with the news that he and **Kay** were about to go to WP for the wedding of **Rush Lincoln's** son. After that, to check on their cottage at Lake George and then to the 40th reunion of Al's command in Italy. I saw that command in action and was in the Corps commander's tent when he presented Al with a Silver Star for gallantry under fire. Back home, Al keeps busy with his machine shop while they plan to spend the winter at their home in Spain.

Bob Terrill wrote that he knew of Westy vs CBS but hadn't received an appeal. He kicked in handsomely and added the news that he and **Billie** had been to CA to visit their dau and her family.

Pop Duncan gave his full endorsement, told about the '32 luncheon in Wash and said his recent eye operation is doing fine.

A newsy letter from **Danny Sundt** with a copy of AIM (Accuracy in Media) report on CBS. Danny also told of the fun trip by 30 Washington '32s to the Annapolis Yacht Club by chartered bus for the joint luncheon with host Navy '32. He included a good pic of the mob, but it did not quite have the contrast needed for printing. Last year I wrote about son Duke Sundt's sculpture of a TX longhorn in bronze, 9′ high, for UTX on their centennial. Now, Duke has been approached by Merrill Lynch for an estimate on a bronze Bull and Bear in mortal combat. Do it, Duke, but make the Bull win!

1932: Descheneaux

FINAL FAREWELLS. George Descheneaux left us in Jul as a result of a quiet heart attack in his home. A popular cadet and a standout officer, he was a regimental commander in the Ardennes in WWII when the massive German counterattack struck in Dec '44. For 4 days Desch's regiment was entirely surrounded with no resupply of food or ammo, and no evacuation of casualties, yet they counterattacked while their units were being separated and overrun. In POW camps for the next 4 months, his daily diary told of bitter cold, insufficient food and air raid alerts, between comments like "wonder if (his Div) has been reactivated" and hoping his **Betty** and little Joey wouldn't worry. Just before he was liberated it said, "Doc tells me sputum shows definite TB bacilli. I guess that's that." He went to Fitzsimmons and ret for phys dis in '46.

Desch and pretty, vivacious, little **Betty** were the life of the party at Class reunions until an aneurism snuffed out Betty in late '67. **Gil Adams** died in 1969 and in Dec 1972, **Desch & Peggy Adams** began their happy married life at the Washington National Cathedral. Desch's dau Joey ("I look just like Mom") and his sister were with him in his Charlottesville home the night before he died. **Peggy** was in a Charlottesville hospital with her terminal cancer and died 6 days later.

1932: For McQuade on Omaha Beach

Tom & Marge Darcy were at WP with members of Desch and Peggy's family when Desch was laid to rest alongside Betty. A week later Peggy's ashes were interred not far away in Gil's plot. Another little design woven into the fabric of our Class by four people we all loved. **Ray Cochran** who roomed with Desch as a cadet, is doing his obit for ASSEMBLY. Send him any useful info you have.

Got further info on another of our heroes, **Bernard Wm McQuade,** kia D-Day on Omaha Beach. Mac commanded the 58th Armored FA Bn when it fought in N. Africa in early '43, led it all through the tough Sicilian campaign and then took it to England for the assault on Omaha Beach. He was killed by machine gun fire in shallow water while trying to drag his wounded sergeant to safety. Mac's battalion kept going to the end; through France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg and Germany. They formed an "alumni" organization afterward and have maintained a remarkable esprit de corps since. They had an attractive bronze plaque on a concrete marker constructed, and on the 40th anniversary of D-Day dedicated it to their CO, LTC **Bernard Wm McQuade,** in the great memorial stretch behind the beach where

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they landed, within sight of where Mac caught it. The presentation to the French was appropriate with the mayor, many top ranking US officers, and a 180 piece band participating, followed by a **vin d'honneur.**

I'm now in the process of preparing a suitable obit on Mac for ASSEMBLY and need help. He had a wife and 2 children when he died, but there is no record of where they are now. If any of you know their whereabouts or have any info to add about Mac's brief span on earth, please contact me.

1932: Mary Bower in Copenhagen

And we bade a fond farewell with a large well done to "our girl," **Dinny Kelly,** who joined us when she married **Joe** in '36 and was a big part of Joe's success right up to his death in '79. '32's sympathy go to John, Kita, Ginger and Dinny's 6 grandchildren.

Since reporting **Guiducci's** death briefly in the last issue, I've had long phone conversations with his son, his ex-wife who attended his funeral at WP, and his younger sister who played with **Luigi** and the man who is now her husband, when they were all kids in their hometown near Rome. We were out of touch with Luigi for a long time so any of you who can contribute to his ASSEMBLY obit which I am preparing please contact me.

WORLD TRAVELERS. Eloise Hansen took her 22 yr old grandson, Anson Chamberlin, on the TROA tour to England, Wales & Scotland, and they did it right. In preparation for Anson's graduate work at UWA, they explored British pubs in all 3 countries with Eloise keeping right up with him. Back home, Eloise and Oley's godchild, Linda **Head** Corrie, at the AFSC with husband, MAJ Mike Corrie, USAF, brought their new baby girl to visit. **Liz & Landon Head** can be excused for being burned up because the Hansens saw her first.

1932: Wallace, Anne, Brad, Willis and Katie Brucker

After her trip visiting friends from CO to FL, **Mary Bower** took a delightful tour through all of Norway and parts of Sweden and Denmark via bus, train, ferry and cruise ship.

Anne Brucker flew from El Paso to Northampton, MA for the gathering of her clan; sons Wallace and Willis '64, wives, children, etc, to go to WP next day for graduation of grandson Wallace Bradley Brucker Jr. (Brad). Anne heard the name of **Dwight & Flo Beach's** grandson called but could not make contact (980 in the Class). Young Brad chose Engrs and after usual schools, went to Belvoir.

After that **Anne** took the Alumni "Passage of the Czars" cruise with Abby Boylan, widow of Vince, WP '39. As I write this, Anne is standing by for a port call on the 80 day minimum freighter trip, 12 passengers, on the American President Line to southeast Asia. Ports of call strung between Korea, Hong Kong, Jakarta, Singapore, India, Pakistan; subject to change according to the cargo. Anne was a teenager when her father commanded the station ship for Guam, the USS **Gold Star.** They had a house and servants ashore but Anne made the trips sleeping on a cot on deck as the ship travelled along the China Coast between Manila and Japan. Anne doesn't know a soul at any of the stops on her upcoming cruise (but she will after its over) and her planned travelling companion was killed in an auto crash, so until she sails she won't know anyone aboard. That's our girl.

THE WEST COAST. The following is verbatim from **Phyl & Chris Dreyer:** "Let this be a tribute to the great gals of '32 whose loyalty to our Class we have all witnessed many times. In this instance **Nana Gilmer, Ann Cochran** and **Dottie Lankenau** travelled from their Bay Area homes to the Monterey Peninsula to visit our mutual friend **Daisy Scherer** whose courage in her battle with cancer for more than 5 years defies expression. While here, they were guests of the **Johnstons** who entertained at a Class party in their home and at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club for luncheon. Following that, the travellers entertained their hosts with breakfast at the Pebble Beach Lodge. Later, all classmates in the area were rounded up and met at the Dreyer household where **McFeely** took photos to record the mini-reunion. Unfortunately, **Daisy** was not up to the exertion of posing for the photo with the rest of us but did enjoy seeing her old (meaning long time) friends again. Nana's, Ann's and Dottie's visit was such an enjoyable event that plans are now in progress for a repeat in the Bay Area some time in October."

Chris also wrote that he went to Montecito for the US Tennis Assn Super Senior (55 to 85 yrs) tournament and ran into **Ernie Powel.** Both competed in the over 70s. The front page item of the **Super Senior Tennis** Newsletter that Chris sent me said the US team which won the Crawford Cup for players over 70 against the best of 7 major foreign nations in Helsinki for the 2nd yr in a row had COL Nick Powel as the non-playing captain. (The tennis world uses his first name, Nick.)

Then I read a feature article in the slick monthly, **Tennis, "Nick Powell**—the Man Who Makes the Rules" with a handsome half-page portrait. It told how Nick has played competitive tennis for more than 50 yrs, winning 17 national "super senior" doubles and 4 singles titles along the way. In 1966, he wrote on his own initiative "The Code" which summarizes "the procedures and unwritten rules that all players should follow." It was accepted by the US Lawn Tennis Assn and Ernie was later made chairman of the USTA Rules Committee. The code is now regularly cited by the pros on TV, in questions and answers on interpretations of rules, and applications under specific circumstances.

And **George Mather** wrote about the world of golf and another geriatric genius, **Cal Smith,** who has shot his age. It's an accomplishment which has always intrigued me; you have to be expert when you're young but don't have a chance until you're well up in years. George added that the feat may not be duplicated by another '32 unless, maybe, by **Eddie Hartshorn, Danny Campbell** or **Fred Young.** He also gave the very heartwarming news that **Jerry Epley** is out on the course again after his lung surgery.

1932: Gale and Gary Hall

GOLDEN DAYS. A misdirected address got this news to me too late for the last issue but it's still valid. **Frankie & Herb Thatcher's** son and daughter gave them a Golden Wedding party at their home, which was just what they merited. Wrote to friends all over asking for mementos, anecdotes, photos, etc, with which they made a collage to present at the family dinner. Frankie wrote that after that besides the children, spouses and three grandchildren, there were loads of flowers, cards, letters and that Herb managed very well through a fine dinner and lots of pic taking.

RALLY ROUND THE FLAG, BOYS, AND GIRLS. The AOG is now in the midst of its annual fund raising campaign to obtain the money needed for a variety of essential activities that cannot be provided from appropriated funds: the wide range of extracurricular programs, intercollegiate athletics, and a host of academically oriented programs. If you haven't given yet, kick in with something to raise the percentage of participation.

1932: Gathering at the Dreyer household

THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT USA AND 1932. This is a good time for someone who does not live in the DC area to give a big THANK YOU to all our classmates there who include the majority of the officer group and who do so much throughout the year to maintain our Class esprit. For the two years that he has been chairman, **John McCawley,** with **Ruth's** constant help, has not only done what is required in Wash-

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ington, but has constantly sent me news and pics so I can spread the info to all our Class and to friends in the other classes who follow the news of us in ASSEMBLY.

The ancient Armstrong Cannon has been restored and is in place at Battle Monument to defend the Hudson Valley and the memory of '32. The other half of our 50th anniversary gift to WP, the Museum Guide, is advancing toward completion and will do justice to one of the finest military museums in the country. Our by-laws stipulate that 2 years is the max for a chairman to serve consecutively and the annual election has just swept in **Farmer Jamison** as the chairman, with **McCawley** joining other stalwarts on the Council.

Don't forget that **Winnie Culp** offers **Bill's** Class ring to any classmate who needs it. Keep sending me the news and the pics which brighten up this column. Over the years that I've been writing it I've accumulated informal pics of classmates and families, some of which have been published in ASSEMBLY but the vast majority have not. Tell me if you would like one or two of any particular individuals and if I have them, I'll send them to you. I'm a big spender and the postage is on me.

A Merry Christmas to all,
And to all a good-night
But don't go to bed,
Until after you write.

The usual deadline to me—a week after you read this.

'33

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The clouds of an overcast day parted and the sun shone brightly in a blue MD sky as some 300 people who had known **Bill Ryan** gathered at Aberdeen (14 Sep) in front of the TECOM Hq building, which was to be named in his honor, as the founder and first CG of TECOM.

Present were his widow **Marjorie** and members of the family, some 15 '33-ers and widows; and about 250 others who had known or served with Bill. Speakers included MG A.H. Anderson, CG TECOM, and GEN Frank Besson '32, who described the tasks which faced **Bill Ryan** during his tenure—"an imposing challenge to any new Commander. . . . Bill Ryan knew the Army, he lived the Army, he understood people from recruits to senior generals. . . . With purpose, judgment, hard work and patience, he overcame the obstacles to establish the sound command that still exists today." The ceremony was preceded by coffee and followed by a luncheon. All of us who attended left with a warm feeling of pride.

1933: Ceremony naming TECOM headquarters building for Bill Ryan.

Another and quite different ongoing activity of wide interest to the Class is the David-vs-Goliath libel suit of **Westmoreland** VS CBS, due to open in NY District Court in Oct. Those who remember the scurrilous CBS "documentary," THE UNCOUNTED ENEMY—A VIETNAM DECEPTION, in which Westy was accused of conspiring to deceive his superiors, have ample reason to wish him success, not only to clear his name but to underscore the need for accuracy, integrity and fairness in our media. Westmoreland's public service law firm, Capital Legal Foundation, is sorely in need of funds. Contributions (tax deductible) may be sent to: CLF, PO Box 33405, Washington, DC 20033. (Note the 33's)

At press time we've learned of the sudden death of an esteemed classmate. **Russ Broshous** died at home in Denver on 28 Sep of a massive heart attack. His and **Barbara's** children, Russ Jr '62 and Barbara Jr ("Bou") are flying to Denver from NY and CA respectively. After memorial services there he was cremated and buried at WP. We extend heartfelt sympathy to Barbara and her family. Few men in recent times have left a more enduring mark on WP.

1933: MG Andrew Anderson, TECOM Cmdr, Marjorie Ryan and LTC William Ryan, Jr. before newly installed plaque.

John Armitage, in a letter to Abe, thanks the Class for its help at the time of **Sue's** death. "My sons have both left CO. John, with IBM, moved to their Fishkill, NY facility; Lee is now in San Diego. I shall remain here for at least a year . . . the quality of life here offers a great deal in retirement."

Wedding bells! From **Ed Ashworth** a brief mid-Sep note: "Recently I married **Suzanne Figley**, a registered nurse who attended dear **Edna** at the time she left us. We're busy trying to accommodate furniture for two houses into one." Congratulations and best wishes, Ed—and welcome, Suzanne!

Puddy Bartlett writes, ". . . first, to say how much I love the Yearbook and appreciate the work that went into it. . . . **Jean Arnette Myers** and Blackie came by last year—she looks just as she did 44 years ago in the Philippines! They had trouble finding my phone no. (305) 644-8273. **Doug & Lil Cairns** are here (Winter Park) visiting Doug's sister, Mary Tomlinson; I read of their golfing prowess in ASSEMBLY. My golf is **abysmal** even tho we play daily. ("We" means my dear companion, Carl Corse; we've long been "engaged.") PS: Just talked to **Billie Olson**, who said she was going to dinner with **Dwight & Julie Divine.** She sounded fine."

Tom Beck, who had to miss the **Ryan** ceremony due to illness, is home from the hospital (mid-Sep) and doing well. We missed you!

"Just received ASSEMBLY and was saddened by so many deaths," writes **Blanche Bellican.** "The Class does a good job with help to the survivor—I remember how generous you all were when **Pete** died. . . . The FYB was a joy to review. Congratulations to you all, especially **Lyle Bernard.**"

1933: Ashworths cut a cake

Our DC luncheon was enlivened (Aug) by presentation of a WP ice bucket (AOG gift catalog) as '33's gift to Thomas Clark Chapman '84, **George & Helen Chapman's** grdsn. Present also was their son Don C. Chapman '60, now retired and working with the Corps of Engineers. **Note:** A similar presentation will be made in Dec to Michael Patrick **Cyr** '84, **Bob's** grdsn, whose sister '85 will be our first '33 gdtr to graduate.

"We're now back at our FL address," writes **Ted Conway,** "resolved never to move again. . . . And thanks for the 'Survivors Notes.' In the past we've never managed to assemble all that information; now, with the impetus you've given, we're resolved to get it done."

The **William O. Darby** Memorial Foundation is honchoing a ten-day festival at Ft Smith, AK 21-31 Oct 84, to celebrate the "twinning" of that city with the city of Cisterna in Italy, as well as to dedicate Bill Darby's boyhood home as a historic site. Scheduled events will include presentation of our 50-YB, GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY, to the W.O. Darby Junior High School. It is understood that **Bill Baumer,** as author of WE LED THE WAY, has been invited and may make the presentation. We hope **Claude Bowen** and other classmates may be there too.

Word from HI via **Hurly Hurlbut** is that **Carl Darnell's** illness has taken a turn for the better, and that he is due home from the hospital. You have our best wishes, Carl.

"My delay in sending for the Class History booklet," writes **Bob Douglas,** "was due to an extended hospital stay following removal of a diseased heart valve and later complications caused by pneumonia; but all is well here now. I think the recent trouble was in some way connected to the illness I suffered following our 50th at WP."

Chuck Dunn, too, has had problems: "Last winter a small malignant tumor was discovered under my tongue; however, a meticulous check at the Portsmouth Naval Hosp determined that it had not spread, and the decision was made to treat it with radiation; the doctors appear satisfied, though I'll have to wait until Christmas or Jun for plates to fill in for teeth lost. . . . Dana and the youngsters (still stationed in Portsmouth) have made all of this easier for me."

Good news: The DC contingent is happy to welcome back **Bill & Helen Ely**, who have sold their Double Dam golf course in PA but still have a pied-a-terre in FL.

From **Ginny Evans** Reece a note: "My name is spelled 'Reece.' . . . Everything is still fine here. Joe & I were just chased out of

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Litchfield Beach, SC by 'Diana'—had several days of fun before that."

"I moved from Indian Harbor Beach, FL to a retirement home in Columbus, OH, last year," writes **Alice Ferris,** "and I'm happy there. I stay in Bay View, MI from Jun to the middle of Oct." Alice sent a generous check for the Class Fund "in loving memory of **John.**"

1933: Lincolns cut a cake

"I strongly indorse Westy's suit." says **Bill Fletter.** "He's taken on a giant. . . . We leave for Europe in Nov: to London, then Lisbon for tours thru Spain & Morocco, then by Eurail Pass through many countries and on to **Irm's** sister's for Christmas. Finally we'll wind up in Copenhagen for an SAS return to Seattle in Feb. . . . So we'll answer Xmas cards when we get back. I wrote WP to ask if I have my ashes scattered, could I still have a headstone in the WP cemetery (the answer seems to be no). Irm & I have made out Living Wills and have dutifully filled out the little book you sent us, and checked with Army Mutual. We think the Class effort to prod us all to get our act together was excellent—please thank Abe."

From **Fran Gates** Mueller, a card: "Thanks for tracking me down at the new address. I'm now ensconced at 'Leisure World,' but so far I've had little leisure."

Ned & Gladys Gee visited grdsons Donald and Douglas Smith at Fork Union MA (VA), where Donald graduated 2 Jul. Don entered the Citadel in Aug.

"Re Westy," writes **Dave Gibbs,** "I sent a large contribution last year and have just sent another as a memorial to brother George, who was at Kasserine Pass . . . while Westy was there. I know George would have done the same. Our great grdtr was born to David Jr's dtr Susie the day before our 50th. Now Paul & Colleen have their first child, a son—the Gibbs explosion goes on. . . . We leave for Iceland in Sep to join up with Breckenridge & his gang of 'old fuds' of the 10th Infantry (which included **Pete Carroll**) who went to Iceland in '41, where I joined them as Div Sig O in '42. We'll all be in Iceland 3 da, then on to Luxembourg, then disperse. **Betty** & I proceed to Brussels, Copenhagen, & Bergen (Norway), where we board the MV **Polaris** for an 11-day rd trip to the North Cape. . . . Finally (Apr 85), I have booking for myself & both sons for a windjammer cruise of the Bahama Banks on the barkentine **Fantome.** Have seen nothing of **Dick** (RJ) **Meyer** as he & **Susan** have been at their place in the White Mtns at Pinetop, AZ. I can report that **Ted & Bessie Schull** are playing plenty of tennis. . . ." Great letter, Dave!

Pat Guiney scores at least twice each quarter with a spirited Op-Ed letter published in the NYT, usually in response to uninformed/unintelligent attacks on the US military. Most recently his letter (on ret pay) quickened the memory of a ret soldier who served with Pat at Ft Hancock in 36. This in turn led to Pat & **Rita** attending a reunion of the Ft Hancock "Sandy Hook Veterans Historical Society," where Pat gave a short talk, reminding them of '33-er **Tom McNair,** who was Post Adj at Hancock 36-37 and lost his life on a Jap POW ship 44. "I was surprised to find so many gung-ho soldiers of almost 50 yrs ago."

Still in reminiscent vein, we have word of an episode in **Rita's** life recently mentioned in a Dutch paper. In late Mar 45, aged 20, she was riding her bicycle beside the swift Maas River when there was a dogfight overhead, an Allied plane shot down, and the pilot ejected and parachuted into the river, where he appeared to be helpless. Rita (wearing a taffeta dress, she recalls) dove into the river and attempted to rescue him by pulling on his parachute harness. Blue with cold, she was finally forced to give up. When the body was later recovered, the pilot was found to have died, not of drowning but of wounds received in the fight. Members of his (New Zealand) squadron later visited the area and in gratitude presented Rita with a new bike, hers having meanwhile been stolen.

"In Aug," writes **Fritz Hartel, "Ebe & Thelma Downing** took their son Butch and our Linda on a 3-wk driving trip thru the Midwest, Canada, & a couple of days in Wmsburg. As you know, they are the only two chdrn of '33 classmates to marry, and they now have a son in his 2d yr at the Air Force Academy. Ebe & Thelma looked great!"

"I was glad to see Max Taylor's name (on the letter re Westmoreland)," says **Honeycutt.** "Will look forward with interest and hope to the trial this fall. Max & I were bn cdrs together in the 2d Div at Ft Sam, he the oldest major and I the youngest captain. After that our paths diverged. . . ."

From the badlands of SD we have a card from **Walt & Kay Jensen:** "Just visited our 2d grdchld in Mpls. Now on to Yellowstone, Salt Lake City, Vegas (to pay for the trip), Grand Canyon, & Ruidosa. . . . We look forward to Mini '85."

"We're enjoying Maine and the new cottage," writes **Gracie King.** "We've had visits from the **Parkers,** the **Sparrows** and others. Went up to Rockport for brunch & saw Andre the Seal—he's picked a lovely harbor for his home." "The cottage is cosy," says Harry. "Look for us in DC early November."

Abe & Mary Lincoln, married in Ft Logan in 34, celebrated their 50th with a memorable party 20 Jul at the A&N Ctry Club. Of their 8 grdchdrn only 1 was absent—Rosalind Young was attending ROTC camp at Ft Knox. Abe rectified the absence by attending her gradn there in Aug, where he spent a few hours with **Seuss Pritchard,** visited the Museum and was briefed by NCOs of the Armor School.

"**Hal** & I are now spending our summers in Blowing Rock, NC," says **Dottie Maddux,** "to escape the summer heat. Back to FL in Oct. We appreciate so much the work done to make the Reunion a success."

"We moved from Sun City West in early July," reports **Jake Messersmith,** "just too late for the new Class roster. This compound within Sun City has apartment and garden units, plus a health care center. The **Ehlens** just returned from Pinetop where they spend the warmer summer months. We continue to be happy we moved out here in 70."

A heartwarming ltr from **Pete Miles:** "I dwell on the happy memories and know that not many are given (the good fortune) to work and play together for 26 years after retirement. My real purpose in writing is to say that the military has been WONDERFUL to me: the young attorney at Ft Dix, the young officer from there who came here and then stood by during my visits up there,—the Veterans insurance which came almost instantly, the Survivors' Benefits and the Retired Pay Division have all been so prompt. . . . I'm proud to have been married to a member (and a special one) of the Class of '33, and so glad we got to enjoy the Big 50th."

"Something fundamental is at stake (in the Westmoreland case)," says **Moon Mullins,** "to wit, the honor and the reputation of the leadership of the US Army. Hansen Baldwin said that it was no longer a question of civil authorities determining military policy, but (it was) questionable whether the Defense Department should have usurped operational control of the Armed Forces."

"Now, President Reagan and I," says **Jimmy Polk** . . . and proceeds to tell how he came unexpectedly to meet with the President. Jimmy is Chairman of the Bd of Trustees of the US Horse Cavalry Assn; we all know the President likes horses—and by extension, horsemen. . . . The objective of the Association is "to preserve the living history of one of the greatest hallmarks of individualism and resourcefulness, the combined skills of man and horse as epitomized by the US Cavalry." Jine up! PO Box 6253, Ft Bliss, TX 79906.

A fine ltr from **Seuss Pritchard** "to report on the activities of our illustrious Class president, here at Ft Knox to delight in the gradn of his grdtr from ROTC . . . a most attractive young lady who held up her end by having a major part in the gradn ceremony. **Abe** & I toured Patton Museum, one of two accredited museums in KY and one of two in the Army (the other: WP). We're proud of what's been accomplished but can still use dollars & donations of historic items. I'm no longer mayor of Elizabethtown, having completed 12 years in Jan 82. Now serve as member Church vestry, Historical Society, Industrial Foundation, Museum Board & Housing Authority—a great help to **Claire** as it gets me out of the house. See you at Mini 85."

1933: Ned Gee with grandsons Donald and Douglas Smith at Fork Union MA

"The 'Notes for Survivors' Bulletin could not have come at a better time," says **Rudolph.** "I'd just come through a (postsurgery) checkup, and I'm clean! Consequently I could review the material with somewhat relaxed detachment. . . . Bert, after reflecting on your suggestion that I hang on to become the Last Surviving '33-er, I've rejected it. To attain that rather dubious distinction, I'd have to attend your funeral."

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Alden Sibley also sent a warm letter of appreciation for the Survivor Assistance bulletin and "the wealth of information it contained." That Sib is still active is attested to by word that some months ago he chaired the Issues Committee of the National Institute of Social Sciences, at which former Gov Carey (NY) told how the NY fiscal crisis of the '70s was resolved. Also as Bd Membr of the O'Neill Foundation for the Art of the Painted Finish he helped organize an auction of original works donated by the Masters & Journeymen of the Studio, netting over $100,000 for the scholarship fund. "Ellie & I drove up to our Maine farm in June, plan to stay until Nov."

1933: Bert and June Sparrow celebrate their 50th

Bert & June Sparrow report three forays (from VA) into their well loved New England: In May to attend gradn of grdtr Lisa Smith from Keene State College, NH; in Jul to visit **Gracie & Harry King** (ME) and ferry to Nova Scotia (beautiful); and in Sep to join their three children & spouses at a cottage on L. Winnipesaukee (NH) to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary and June's birthday (she's 39). "We're saving the ten grandchildren," says June, "for our 60th!"

Another '33 couple to mark their golden anniversary: "On the off chance that it might interest some members of the Class," says **Steve Stephenson**, "I submit the sordid details. . . . **Red White, Hurly Hurlbut** and **'K' Kaesser** were present at the original party in Jefferson Bks; we still hear from the latter two. Add our appreciation to the FYB staff—we've enjoyed matching the '33 pictures with those of '83! And regards to my old football coach in the Goat-Engineer game, who remains my friend in spite of it—**Abe Lincoln.**"

1933: Lincoln and Pritchard at Patton Museum, Ft. Knox

Reggie Weber sends thanks for the Survivor Bulletin & Roster, and to express shock at the deaths reported in the Sep ASSEMBLY. "Am still in harness for another academic year (Appalachian State NC) and things are really hopping."

"Here's a small check in response to your request," writes **Pinky Webster.** "It may offset the cost of a few telephone calls. . . . Your Special on Survivor Assistance was a jewel. I receive many requests, especially from Air Force widows, most of whom are not survivors of members of Army Mutual Aid. (As you know, AMAA is now accepting USAF officers in their beneficent program.)"

"The Survivor Assistance piece provided the spark to energize me into doing something I had been putting off too long," says **Frank Zeller.** "I've checked my will and prepared a checklist for my survivor including phone numbers peculiar to our location. We celebrated our 50th last month with a family party. At the same time our children, Frank Jr & Judith, celebrated their silver anniversary (my son was wed on our silver anniversary, and my dtr the week before). It was quite a celebration!"

"You may find joy & warmth in this golf story," writes **Fred Zierath**: "In a large city there was a golf match between Protestants, Jews, & Catholics, with proceeds for charity. —A priest told his Bishop that Arnold Palmer was a good friend and willing to play for the Catholics if made a priest for the day. After some hesitation, the Bishop agreed. —After the tournament the priest reported, 'We lost.' 'How is that possible,' said the Bishop. 'We had a priest named Palmer.' —'Yes, but the Jews had a Rabbi named Trevino.' "

CLASS MATTERS

—DC Annual Party, kindness of **Hurlbut & Reynolds:** brunch @ ANCC, 12 Oct. If anything spectacular happens, see Class Notes for Mar 85.

—**MiniReunion** (MiR 85), kindness **Billy Harris** & his San Antonians: Menger Hotel, SA, 1-4 Oct 85. 'Bound to be spectacular!

—Roster corrections, kindness of victims:

Messersmith: Royal Oaks GH 1090, 995 Royal Oak Rd, Sun City AZ 85351.

Wynne: 896 Main Street South, Woodbury, CT 06798.

Virginia **Evans:** Now Mrs. Joseph Reece.

Alice **Ferris:** 645 Neil Ave., Columbus, OH 43215.

Ruth **Franklin:** 1005 North **21st** St., Newark, OH 43055.

Dorothy **Johnson:** 1001 Wilson Blvd, Apt 408, Arlington, VA 22209; tel: (703) 525-9080.

Tere **Versace:** Mrs. Humbert J. Tel: (703) 528-3209.

Next deadline for Class Notes: 20 Dec 84.

—and a Merry Christmas to a Great Class!

'34

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Dud Wilmeth is going to be a hard act to follow. The class certainly got their money out of him. He is a champion punster yet through all that chaff he is right on the mark. We are going to miss him sitting here wielding this scribe pen he so willingly tossed to us. Hopefully like Will Rogers from the great state of OK Dud will fire up his own pen down there in the great State of TX and tell it like it is. Without any authority whatsoever we are dubbing him Scribe Emeritus Class of '34 Now and Forever. We are indebted to him for all the help he has given us in getting under way.

Bob MacDonnell died last month on the 19th of Aug. His ticker had been troubling him a long time. Although in the midst of things at the 50th we knew he wasn't feeling too well. We had hoped and prayed that we wouldn't have to write this but we lost him. I know we speak for the entire Class and for his many close friends in the Class and out when we say he was one of God's chosen gentlemen. He was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery. Services were attended by all classmates from the Washington contingent and by some from afar. Officers and men of all ranks were there to pay tribute to an outstanding soldier and West Pointer.

1934: Anna and Bill Wise on Flirtation Walk

Jack Seaman writes that missing the 50th was a bitter blow for them. **Mary** was suffering from rheumatoid arthritis and Jack's blood pressure took off. They were wise to use discretion over valor. At last report all is well. Recently they had some prominent visitors, none other than the Scribe Emeritus and Frankie who give a vivid description of Jack and Mary's beautiful set-up on Lucy's Creek on Lady's Island. Lucky for them their two daughters with husbands and their one grandchild are stationed nearby and family reunions are frequent.

Susie Telford in Newport, VT also was visited by this same prominent person. Susie and daughter Mary had a room reserved at the Thayer but a few days before departure Mary became ill and they had to fall out. You can be assured she got all the poop. According to Dud, Newport is a beautiful site and just a few miles from where Sid was born **Rhoda Metraux (Art Proctor)** lives nearby. Susie can put you in touch.

Si Gilman has come forth with some interesting thoughts on punsters. Writing to one of our classmates he suggests that he compare notes with a real pun-dit, one not as pun-gent as the addressed classmate. He enclosed a clipping from the local paper addressing the subject of puns. One punster talking about elephant hunting says in Africa the tusks are firmly rooted but in AL the Tuscaloosa. Another asked by a dear lady to tell him the difference between men and women replied the difference, madam, I cannot conceive! It looks like Si has things under control up there in Quechee, VT.

Nancy and Moon Northam according to **Dud Wilmeth,** who along with **Frankie** spent a night with them after the 50th, live right on the ocean shore in a beautiful area. They have lots of space around them and eat fresh lobster which they fed to Dud in such plentitude that he turned red while turning green with envy. There you go again.

Georgia Mullen is a hard gal to follow. After celebrating the 50th she went on the USMA cruise 7-9 Jun, visited Interlaken Switzerland then boarded a Rhine steamer at Strasbourg and down the Rhine to Am-

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sterdam. We used to go duck hunting on the Rhine with **Ted Bilbo.** As soon as Georgia reached home she took off again for Rome, Florence, Venice, and Oberammergau to see the Passion Play. From there she visited London, Paris, and finally returned home. In Rome she saw the opera La Tosca in the Baths of Caracalla and in London she heard the Symphony at the Royal Albert Hall. In Sept she visited Tokyo, Kyoto, Taiwan, Bangkok, Penang, Singapore, and Hong Kong. How about '85 Georgia. Don't you think you ought to go somewhere?

1934: Nancy and "Atlas" Northam, Frankie Wilmeth

Bob and Mary Bahr are living in Savannah, GA in a roomy comfortable old home on a broad street shaded by overlapping live oaks from which Spanish moss dangles to your car top. Bob retired in Savannah from his position as Dist Engr. He opened an engineering firm and got a pretty good contract for the development of Dutch Island, a rather elaborate residential area if one has a penchant for understatement. Mary Ann knows Savannah history from the day James Oglethorpe landed to the night Rhett Butler ran the Federal blockade and got a bolt of silk for Scarlett. As our reporter says Bob may not go down in Savannah history as a man of causes but will certainly go down as a man of causeways, having built the one to Dutch Island.

Helen and Dick Legg renewed their marriage vows on 14 Jun last at the Woodmoor Chapel in Monument, CO exactly 50 years after their marriage in the Cadet Chapel at WP. The event was planned and arranged by their daughters Karen and Rachel and Rachel's husband John Duté. More than a hundred friends and relatives were present, some coming from as far as FL and CA. **Bill Wise and Anna** were there with their daughter Anna and her husband Jim MacRitchie. **Pop and Esther Warner** came from OH. Pop was Dick's best man on the first occasion and came to CO to repeat the performance. Helen's sister Janet, who had been her maid of honor was unable to attend. The Leggs' lovely granddaughter Lisa substituted. The ceremony was preceded by WP music including Alma Mater and The Corps. The wedding party came down the aisle to the strains of Here Comes the Bride and the pastor performed the traditional marriage ceremony. The reception that followed was complete with buffet, a wedding cake cut with Dick's sabre, and champagne.

Paul Ashworth writes from down Houston way to our reporter. He lives about 30 miles north from downtown Houston and says that he has all the amenities out there that you can get in TX. Traffic is pretty horrible and he doesn't drive downtown unless necessary. He refuses to drive after dark except for good food at a local restaurant.

George Dany checked in also. Some of the things he said were very nice indeed and had a lot to do with the Scribe Emeritus award being given to our reporter. George says our reporter shows a talent that should go commercial. We will think about that. He also says he regretfully had to cancel out on the 50th. We missed you. A lot of your old friends were there.

Dale Smith, one of our authors is writing another book. It's about WP. He thinks he will call it **Memoirs of WP** but has not decided as yet. He wants his versatile classmates to give him some poop mostly about Beast Barracks where at present writing the manuscript seems to be stalled. It sounds like he has most of his material from local cadets and he hopes to weave our material into it. He says that us old codgers who tell these tall tales should put them in writing and send them to him. Dale says also that **Charlie Fell** and **Dave Hollingsworth** have moved from Reno. If anyone knows their whereabouts tell **Tom Foote** the Class Secretary.

Tirso Fajardo has brought us up to date in an extremely interesting letter he has written. T.G. seems to be like most of us—he hasn't written more than a dozen letters since he retired 24 years ago but like most of us he has that old bond of brotherhood one feels for his classmates. Both he and **Nelly** his wife were anxious to make the 50th but this respiratory problem he has made it physically impossible. He was looking forward to it and hates to think that but for this problem he could have been with us hale and hearty people even playing tennis at our present age. Hear! Hear! He and Nelly have two daughters and he has a son who is stationed with the Air Force in Japan. He is envious of **Pete Kopcsak** who used such good judgment in retiring in beautiful Garmish-Partenkirchen. He and Nelly spent some time there in '69. He saw **Jack Seaman** in the mid-60s when Jack sent a chopper to bring him to his CP at Bien Hoa. Some time before he retired when he was commanding the Philippine Army **Arno Luehman** dropped down in a chopper on the golf course across from his house at Ft McKinley for a short visit and lunch. He remembers well that Arno was the first member of the Class whom he met and talked with before checking in with the Sergeant and marching through the arch into Beast Barracks. He and Nelly had **Bert Spivy** to dinner back when Bert was traveling for JCS. He asked to be remembered to all you guys and to tell you how he feels about the four special years of his life he spent with us and among us. Right on, T.G.! We are with you all the way. Let us hear from you again.

Moxie Costain has written a note to us that says it all. She and daughters Paula and Peggy want the Class to know how grateful they are for insisting that they attend the 50th. She hadn't thought about it until Dud Wilmeth got on the ball. She says it was a moving and gratifying experience and they are proud to have had a part in it. She thanks us for everything and ends with God bless you all.

1934: The Jablonskys and Peggy Craig

1934: The Buehlers and Pat Betts

Jack Renfroe checked in to say that the 50th was the greatest reunion by far that we have ever had. Every comment he heard and every impression he got convinced him and **Ruth** that the reunion was as close to perfect as anything like that could be.

Joe and Jeanellen Killian really took their travels seriously when they came to the 50th. Before arriving at the Thayer they rented a car in DC and drove north to visit granddaughters in NH and friends in ME, Boston, and Cape Cod. They stayed with a Vassar gal, Jeanellen's classmate in White Plains and made a side trip to NY. After the reunion they returned to DC, stayed with Jeanellen's cousin, saw a lot of old friends, and went square dancing with the Gillettes '39 in Potomac, MD. Then they moved in with **Ann & Bill Kern,** then later with **BJ and Farley Richardson** at Gibson Island, then even later with another cousin in NC, and finally flew home the last of May. That's getting around Joe!

1934: The Chatfields

Allene Mossman wrote in to tell us her thoughts were with us during the 50th. She had hoped to make it but a few problems prevented it. She says she missed the widow talk most of all. She has moved into a condo which is nice but a little far from parks and supermarkets they had in the Bay area. Security takes some getting used to but she has a pool and is on the ground floor which helps. Her new address is 2133 Santa Clara, Alameda, CA 94501.

Tom Foote gave us the latest on their activities. He was in Walter Reed for a while for throat surgery. Fortunately nothing serious evolved and he continues to talk in his

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usual fashion. **Foss** has been suffering from arthritis for some time. While at Walter Reed looking after Tom she found an orthopedist who straightened her out. She is much better and may be able to hoist a sail again this fall. Tom flew up to ME to celebrate his release from Walter Reed, visited his Navy friends up there, and taught them a few things about sailing. Foss flew up to join him and they took quite a trip through Canada, NH, and VT before returning to Charlottesville.

John Kromer in responding to a letter from **Betty Ann and Murray Cheston** had some nice things to say about the 50th. He couldn't make it himself but he says it was certainly planned with devotion by the Class leadership from **Jim O'Hara** to **Dudley Wilmeth.** He appreciated all the mailing sent out by **Lou Walsh** as it made him feel included in all the main events. He tells me that **Virginia** is not well and at present he has to devote most of his time caring for her. Hang in there John. We are thinking of both of you.

1934: Miriam Warren, Muff Blair, Cadet Hostess, Mabel Turner, Cadet Host. Seated: Tete Brown, Cy Betts, Pat Betts, Paul Turner

Hal Edson was approached at the 50th by several classmates concerning the Class crest he was wearing on his jacket. He was asked where they could be gotten. The crest measures 3" wide and 2½" high. It is made of gold cord thread sewed on a stiff black felt triangle. The two swords on the crest are silver thread. He bought 20 crests for the Class of 1979 and 10 more in 1980 at a cost of $12 each including postage and overhead. They probably are a bit higher now. The crest is attached to the jacket pocket with three pins held by clutch fasteners. If you want one drop a note to Hal Edson.

Burt Bruce has this to say on the Fifty Year Book project. As you remember he is the project monitor and book editor par excellence. 425 copies were printed. They were distributed to 149 classmates, 65 living widows, 10 libraries including USMA, USAFA, AWC, DOD, Congress and AOG, and 177 to relatives and friends of Class members including many Class children. The balance of the copies are available on a first come, first served basis with priority to members of the Class. The Class executive committee felt that when people see the book there will be a requirement for extra books. Copies may be obtained by sending your name and address to which it should be sent and a payment of $16.60 including printing, packaging, and mailing. Information and payment should be sent to Burt Bruce. Pictures submitted for use in the book have been or are being returned to those persons who submitted them. There are 708 pictures in the book and many more were submitted. All Class members who have not contributed their fair share as established by the executive committee to the book project have been billed an amount that will bring their total payment up to the fair share amount. The Class is indebted to the Class of '33 and in particular to Lyle Bernard, editor of their Fifty Year Book, for assistance in obtaining the fly leaf photos, the photos of the Cadet Chapel interior, and the stained glass windows showing the '34 windows.

1934: The Moormans

Your Scribe has done his first scribe job and in doing so he dares to express the opinion that in putting together the 50th Reunion we rediscovered a real Class need to get together. Maybe the committee will work something out for us in the way of mini-reunions like other classes do but in the meantime fire up your pens and let us know what you are up to wherever you are and we will put out the poop to the rest of the class. Merry Christmas to All and A Very Happy New Year!

'35

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Jack Rhoades reports that he and **Leah** were on hand to participate in the 40th anniversary of D-Day. There were three others of his unit there. Later he and Leah toured the Battle of the Bulge area and three of the American cemeteries. Jack says the latter are very well designed and maintained.

At McNair on 18 Sept there were eleven at a stag luncheon—**Rogers, Rumsey, Wheeler, Taylor, Simpson, Anderson, Schlanser, Bowyer, Grieves, Waterman** and **Robbins.**

1935: Critz Hall plaque

Chuck Symroski had his second hip replacement—this time at National Orthopedic Hospital in Arlington. He expects to go home on 2 Oct.

George Ruhlen writes that on a recent visit to Ft Sill he learned that the building housing the Target Acquisition Department had been named Critz Hall.

Jeff Rumsey and **Bud Schlanser** have the same birthday and this year they celebrated at the Schlanser's summer place in Maine. Jim & Consuelo Alger came over from Bethel.

Warren Everett & Ruthmary are leaving Michigan and returning to this area. Their new permanent address is: 1401 Gower Court, McLean, VA 22101.

1935: DeMont '84, father '59, grandfather Schlanser

Some gleanings from notes sent in with replies to 50th poop-sheet: **Jim Balluff** has sold his business. In July the **Breakefields** toured for five weeks in TX, Mexico, and New Mexico, and attended Annabelle's high school reunion in Brownsville. In Oct '83 the **Dilleys** toured Egypt and Greece. **John Parker** and **Tom Gillis** will be on hand for our 50th despite their disabilities! **Ace Wells** has remarried.

1935: Schlanser-Rumsey birthday party with Algers

This past summer **Sally Haines** underwent open heart surgery at Brooke—a quadruple by-pass. She is ahead of the normal recuperation times and is now walking several miles daily as well as swimming. She and Ralph plan to cruise from St. Louis to New Orleans on the Delta Queen this Nov. Since their return from Australia Ralph has visited Ft Polk where he spoke at a prayer breakfast in the NCO Club. Later he went to Ft Knox for a reunion of the 1st Arm Div. While in D.C. for the Chief of Staff's annual Army Leadership Seminar he had dinner with **Joe & Nanie Anderson.**

Ethel O'Connor has just completed her second year at Air Force Village and is happy living there. She enjoys cruises, and on a recent one met up with **Charlie & Eleanor Rich.** This Christmas it's a cruise to Mexico and Hawaii with her sister Marian, the widow of Don Zimmerman '29.

Moon Ferris sent along the picture of the **Berquists** taken this summer and says Ken is almost ready to meet a "mark-him-duty" status.

Moon & Marie Ferris spent two weeks with their son Dan in Boston—one week of which they spent roughing it at Cape Cod. Dan is with the Def Log Agcy at GTE in Dedham, MA. On the way back to San A

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the Ferrises spent two days with **Hoot Gibson** in Atlanta. **Seneca & Phyllis Foote** entertained the Ferrises and Hoot at a luncheon.

1935: The Berquists

Ella Wallace spent six weeks in Ireland with her daughter, Charlotte, and son-in-law, Hugh Russell, who is a textile engineer. Ella's other daughter, Ellita, and her husband, LTC Ed Mote, have just been assigned to Ft Sam Houston where he is Plans/Operations Officer at the Academy of Health Sciences.

Norm & Edith Skinrood were in Arlington for a short visit and stayed with Al and Jean Robbins. On 23 Sept the Rogers and Rumseys greeted the Skinroods at dinner at the Robbinses.

1935: Anderson, Shower, Rumsey, Fickel, Keating, Schlanser, Spring at Rogers' picnic

Joe Wiechmann's grandson, James Brennan, is a member of the Class of '88 at WP. Last summer Joe joined the great grandfather club.

On 4 July **Jeff & Charlotte Rumsey** became grandparents again—a daughter, Elizabeth, to their son John and his wife Shearer. In Aug at Disney World in FL their grandson, Bryan, rescued a child and then the mother after a canoe capsized. Bryan, who had enlisted in the Marine Corps, went off to boot camp at Parris Island about two weeks later.

David Robbins has been promoted to full professor at Trinity College in Hartford, CT. **Andrew Robbins** is now board certified in

1935: Simpsons, Chapmans, Shower, and Birgit Buck at Rogers' picnic.

both internal medicine and pulmonary medicine.

With regret we report the following and extend our sympathy to the families of our classmates. **Don Elliget,** who had lived in Hong Kong for many years, returned to San Francisco about nine months ago and died there on 25 August of Parkinson's disease. Burial was in the Presidio cemetery. **Norm Edwards** and **Tom Gillis** attended the services. **Jim Donohue** died of a massive heart attack at the Ft Devens hospital on 7 July. He was buried at West Point on 11 July with **Joe & Jean Wiechmann** representing our Class.

Milt Rosen died 11 Oct at Walter Reed and was buried at West Point on 14 Oct.

'36

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Because it is, this is an anniversary column, a **thirty long** years history of **class.** Little did you know back in Dec '54 that almost each of you would be subtly and systematically seduced. Each of you would develop a paranoia for grandeur. Neither male nor female, you have become warlords and warladies. Beelzebub that he is, your scribe has long known of this megalomaniac transmogrification that he has been wrought-ing over three decades (documentation for the above **shocking** revelation can be found—if you haven't long ago thrown it away—in a book of '73 by Galloway & Johnson p. 135; book title—**West Point, America's Power Fraternity**).

Since reminiscences have such an enduring role in the Long Gray Line, I subject you (again) to pieces from periods of long ago (from Dec '54 ASSEMBLY column)—"All news of the class is overshadowed by the Peiping announcement of November 23rd, that **Jack Arnold,** among other Americans, has been imprisoned for **Ten Years! Our** class has written history with its exploits in two wars. Now, post-war and as if in a dream, reappear the fairy tales of our youth and the Red Dragon who swallows up our brothers. Consternation abounds in the realization that there is no war, there is no communication and there is no satiating the Dragon's lust."

1936: Sergeant Murphy, 1937. Soldier come President and Fergusson.

—and (from Dec '64 column)—"Our cadet son representative at the Point, **Bob Cato,** sent in detailed activity reports on our young men and the promise of a group picture (never received). **Dick Mohlere** is a Sgt, is in Audio Club and also the Rocket Club. Also he's a boxer. **Chris Kinard** was on Beast Detail, was a LT and manager of the **Pointer.** He is also 'first team' handball. **Cato** was a LT with Yearlings at Camp Buckner, teaches Sunday School, and is on Math Forum. **Bill Haneke** was on Beast Detail, is in choir, and a member of Rifle Team. **Tom Hayes** spent summer in Europe and on AOT. He's on B soccer, ski patrol, ski instructor, and officer of Ski Club. In addition he holds an office in Choir and also in Glee Club. And on top of all this wears stars. **Tom Swain** also was in Europe and on AOT, visiting brother, Mike, in Germany. He's engineer football, is on KDET staff and ski team, and in 1965 will be playing lacrosse. This is the third son of **Swain** who's in the Army. **Mike Dunn** is on track team. **John Kelly** was last summer at Buckner. **Bob Kessler** is in Rocket Club. Plebe **J. Holderness** isn't having difficulty with academics, but also has little time for anything else. He's been inter-murder soccer and will box. Thus as we finish the list of what these young men are doing—a little breathless, perhaps—it's not hard to realize what greater growth and accomplishment they are capable of, than we were. Also it's obvious what wonderful inspiration and leadership is being offered—not the least of which emanates from **Westmorelands** and **Lamperts.**"

1936: Janzan, Peck, Fergusson, and Westy's "stand-in" (Dick Powell) in **Flirtation Walk,** 1934

—and (10 years ago—Sep 1974)—"Besides the time lag in these columns there is sometimes great change in 90 days of time. **Abe** left the hospital July 11 to start back to work; but then was readmitted on Aug 21; and early on Sept 4th the Nation, his family, and 1936 said farewell to a great soul, man, soldier, and classmate—whose multi-described talents run like this: 'The best tank commander in the Army' (GS Patton); 'The cutting edge of the US spearhead' (**Life**); 'Quiet hero of the Pentagon' (**Wall Street Journal**); '. . . pointed the way for the Army in years to come' (Callaway); '. . . he was a rare combination—a man of action who was also a first class administrator' (Gerald Ford). It was 'back to work' for **Bruce Palmer** in the last ASSEMBLY, but now we report that he retired . . . both **Bruce** and **Abe** left the service the same day."

1936: In Raleigh—Liz, Lazelle, Lucile, Eileen, Lib, Liz

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And on this anniversary let us not forget those tremendously wonderful Classmates and wives who "walked in these pages, but no more." We have said "goodbye" to 67 men and no less than 31 women.

One last bit of anniversary nostalgia may be savored from our temporarily turned movie actors—classmates in the movies: **Flirtation Walk** and **Sergeant Murphy** (see pics).

1936: Chez Beards: Sally and Lois, Holtermans & Liz Gage

So as we break with the past,—we rush forward with present events: A special "under 24 hr" air delivery just arrived from **WW Jones.** He and **Elly** have returned from a week's reconnaissance of Ixtapa. His solicitation for your interest in same for a mini-reunion may already be in your hands before you read this. In any case his last comments were, "As of now I feel very up on this project. It has class, is picturesque, will be a group from start to finish, and, I think, affordable to all. . . . Frankly, I think we've hit the jackpot."

1936: IXTAPA, where we'll be in May—Bill and Elly Jones

Strokes this year have been responsible for serious disabilities to three of our wonderful Class family. First **Bob Curran's,** from which he is making splendid recovery progress. Two others took severe toll of beautiful **Lyn Hosmer** and **Grace Layne** after our Lauderdale reunion. Lyn is severely paralyzed in the areas of cognition and speech, while Grace suffered falls. Needless to say both are getting better, and their faithful husbands are doing everything possible to help them.

Two repeat authors announced, **Eddie Dunn** wrote about young men's rehabilitation in **Dawn at PM**—a fine story. **Bruce Palmer** came out with **The 25-Year War**—which I've not yet had an opportunity to read. Such efforts and accomplishments hold me in awe!

Symbolically replaying in reverse a 120 year old scenario, Liz and I made a southern invasion of the north on Sep 15. Our objective, which was to have been a Washington Class picnic, was cancelled (upon hearing that the South had risen again???). We marched

1936: Karie Dawalt, Ripples, and Landrums

(motored) anyway, and bivouaced at several Class sites (see pics). The "troops" along our route looked very "sharp." I wish to make a special report on **Bill Covington,** whom I expected to see in bed—as of ten years ago. Not so. He's up and at 'em everyday. He just doesn't play golf anymore, but he doesn't have to as he tools around in his shiny black vintage T-bird. Didn't see, but talked on phone to **Deacon and Dottie Barlow.** Also didn't see but had a chat with **Ben Davis.**

Dette Kimball attended the Olympics. She left early because of fatigue. Upon arriving home she had lung cancer. She expired at her home in Somerset, VA on 21 Sep and was buried next to her father at West Point. She is the first person in life (outside my family) that I can remember meeting. Many classmates have known and loved her.

Art Jacoby passed away at his home in Pensacola, FL on Sep 29. Several of the Class were with him when he was put to rest beside **Dale** at the cemetery at the Naval Air Station.

1936: In North Carolina: Broyles, Dickens, Finley, Gage, Page, Katz

At beginning of this column I told you what I had done to **you** in three-score year period. Permit me to close by telling you you what **you** have done to **me**—and my family. The Class of 1936 has honored me with hospitality, with confidences, with awards and gifts, and especially with communication and affection. No one in this Class has received as much as I, in fact I believe I'm honored more so than almost any man in any class. There is no way to express my gratitude to all of you. If I had the opportunity, I'd like to be your scribe for 30 more years.

Beat NAVY

'37

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On 3 Aug we lost an outstanding and beloved classmate. **Bud Underwood** passed away early that morning in his home in El Paso. Graveside services with military honors were held at the Ft Bliss National Cemetery on 6 Aug. One of our three four-star generals, his major assignments included command of the AD Cen and School at Ft Bliss, the 5th Army at Ft Sam Houston and CINC, SOUTHCOM at Quarry Heights, CZ. His delightful wit and warm personality will always be remembered. Besides **Hiestand,** he is survived by three daughters, Scott Wright, Molly Copelan and Mary Kate Hess; and three sons, George, William and Michael.

1937: The Odens, Wilhoyts, and Fraziers at Tide's Inn, VA.

A month later on 7 Sep **Bill McDonald** passed away at Malcolm Grow AF Hosp, Andrews AFB, where he had been in intensive care for several weeks. A graveside ceremony with military honors was held at Arlington Cemetery 10 Sep and a memorial service was held the next day at the Bethesda United Methodist Church, near where he and **Rene** lived since retirement from the USAF. Bill suffered for many years from a blood disorder that kept him fairly close to home. We were able to get him to one of our luncheons several years ago which happened to fall on St Patrick's Day. After lunch we left him in the good hands of retired Army Ch of Chaplains, Msgr Pat Ryan (since deceased) for further festivities honoring the patron saint of Ireland. Bill is survived by his Aug '37 bride Rene and two daughters, Julianne of Manassas, VA and Malinda Lee Fritts of Germantown, MD.

Bill Snouffer wrote to inform us that on 23 Jun he married **Nedra Arendts Niles** in Dallas. She was his high school and college classmate and visited him several times at WP. They are now enjoying being together again. After graduation from Coe College she received her Master's from Mills Coll, Oakland, CA and settled in Dallas where she guided the establishment and development of St Michael and All Saints Episcopal Church School. Later she was head of the lower and middle divisions of Hockaday School for Girls in Dallas, from which she retired in '79. They plan to spend their time between Dallas and Chapel Hill where Bill is pres of a company developing Carolina Meadows, a 500-unit retirement community. Congratulations and a warm welcome to Nedra from the Class.

A Jul note from **Bud Hines** indicates that he has as much trouble keeping up with his tribe as we have,—but he has two sets of kids. Of the younger set who attended the

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1937: The Persons '36, Shives, and Eubanks at the Eubank-McCarty wedding.

40th with him: Robert is a HS senior at NMMI, is in the NM NG and graduated from basic and advanced training at Ft Bliss in Aug; John graduated from the jr coll at NMMI, was commissioned 2LT AUS in the NM NG and is now studying computer science at NM State U (the accompanying photo shows him in his father's blues raring to go to the graduation ball); Linda works for Ross Perot's EDS in Dallas, was married two years ago and had a baby boy 18 Jul. Of the older set: Mike, the oldest, is an engineer for the city of Dallas, had his second child, a girl, last May; dau Marion works for IBM in Amarillo and in Sep will marry Alan Solbert, grandson of MG Solbert, USMA and Adm Kirk, USNA; his oldest dau Peggy had major surgery in Monterey for which Bud was on hand and reports that she is fine and able to do everything except yard work. Before his trip to Monterey he spent a night with **Dottie & Eph Graham** in their cozy summer home at 9000 ft altitude among huge ponderosa pines at Cloudcroft, NM. Bud was due in DC recently on his way to Long Island to give away his dau Marion, but somehow we missed him. I admire the way everything is falling into place for him family-wise. He is either a darned good planner or very lucky. Bud also sent me a clipping from the Albuquerque newspaper with an obit on **Bud Underwood.** He feels his loss keenly as his closest classmate geographically and because of his frequent visits to Roswell last year.

The **Lows** spent their summer building an addition onto the camp which has been in the family since 1930. It is on Webber Pond in East Vassalboro, ME. From up that way, **Charley Register** writes that the **Halls** spent a night with them in Northfield, VT on their return to Chevy Chase for their midsummer interruption of their ME holidays. Earlier in June they drove out to Dayton to bring their oldest grandson, John, back for a week's soccer camp at Norwich U. Enroute they stopped at WP to show him where his dad lived while his granddad was teaching Mechanics. Charley says it was like a trip down memory lane as they walked over the cadet area on the level of the Plain. He couldn't get near his old 34th Div because South Barracks was being renovated. The Class ring collection was impressive, with **Helen Rumph's** donation of **Ray's** ring representing '37. Charley and **Virginia** have lived in Northfield since last Nov and are renovating parts of the house that was her grandmother's, mother's and now theirs.

In Aug, **Bill & Jean Hipps** paid a brief visit to Wash on their way to Clearfield, PA to visit kinfolk and then to Lancaster to meet his brother. They love their Get-up-and-Go EAL pass and have been on the road almost continuously except for short interludes at home to do laundry and bills. They have had two trips to the west coast. In Sep Bill went to the Philippines in connection with the Cabanatuan Memorial and will be back in time to gather up Jean to go to San Antonio.

The **Hackfords** came into town to visit their son and family at Andrews AFB. They took them to a resort in VA for a week's vacation and then returned to Colorado Springs for a cataract opn on one of his eyes, so he'll have at least one good one for San Antonio. He says that he is finally down to his cadet weight, as is **Curt Low.** The two of them are looking forward to bringing in the 21st century (way to go!). While you're at it, why not compete with **Hallock** who aims to be the oldest living grad?

In Jul, the **Gildarts** entertained their grandson from MT, watched the Olympic soccer games at Annapolis and then took him to Lake George, NY, where they spent most of Aug with their dau Nancy and family from Poughkeepsie.

A lucky 13 of us gathered at the Capital Hilton's Embassy Rm for the Aug luncheon. **Chief Evans,** in town with **Claudine** to visit dau Carol and family, enlivened the affair. He proudly announced that Carol's son, Mike Tetu, had entered USMA from the Army's WP Prep School. Mike's dad is USMA '64. I am very sorry to have to report that **Choppy Brett** tendered his resignation as honcho for the luncheons because of physical ailments. He has served in that position faithfully and with unmatchable élan ever since we began having them at the A-N Club many years ago. He still looks well, retains his cadet posture and can-do spirit. We are indebted to him for his many years of dedicated service to the Class. The rest of the luncheon was devoted mainly to toasting Choppy with the fine wine provided by him and in searching for someone to pick up the reins. I believe **Geo Maliszewski,** recently retired from PEPCO, will be the lucky(?) guy.

1937: The Smiths and Smalleys at Mystic, CT.

The **Fraziers** spent six weeks this summer in a large cottage strategically located by the 3rd, 5th, 14th and 16th greens of the sporty Caledonia golf course which is nestled in the South Mts of PA. They entertained many classmates and guests along with their dau Muffie and son Doug, wife Kris and grandsons Evan (3) and Spencer (5 mos) from CA. The golf course provided ample recreation and much exercise, while the Totem Pole Theater run by Ruth Stapleton (Archie Bunker's dingbat) provided cultural delights. Dining around in the surrounding towns of Gettysburg, Waynesboro and Fairfield (quaint and historic restaurants), and shopping at the many factory outlets provided unusual opportunities. During their absence from Bethesda, the **Chases** from Honolulu occupied the Frazier Hilton from which they were able to visit their son and grandchildren who live in the neighborhood. They succeeded in getting to town and back to Honolulu without being seen. We were looking for them at the luncheon but I understand that **Ann** was under the weather.

The **Prentisses** spent the greater part of Aug touring England and Scotland and then returned in splendor aboard the QE II.

1937: 2LT John Hines

In early Sep, **Bill & Therese Dodds,** with their son Allan, visited the USA for the purpose of settling him in school here and visiting their older son Jerome who finished his first year in college. They toured the east coast, visited the **Reaves** in FL and were entertained by the **Mercados** while visiting friends in Manassas, VA. Bill talked up his hometown for a mini-reunion—excellent and reasonable hotels, beautiful scenery, delightful weather. Bandol is between Marseille and Toulon. Bill is involved in the building of a golf course in the vicinity. Shortly before he arrived in the US, he learned that his first wife, Roberta, died in CA. They had three daughters, Susan, Roberta and Nancy.

Ed Lee wrote to tell us about their son Ted's heart transplant at age 34 at TX Med Cent, Houston, under one of the Dr Cooley teams. They were on hand to lend support to him and his wife and two children. His new heart mercifully came from an 18-yr old donor who died in a traffic accident that day. Ted had been "found" medically at the end of his Plebe year. Disease had practically destroyed his heart and, according to the doctors, he had only two or three days left. They plan to go back in Oct to see him and to join us at the reunion.

Eddie Besson just returned from OR where she was visiting son Jay and family. She expects son Bob and family from Panama any day, with the imminent closing of the school. A timely article in the **Wash Post,** 23 Sep from Ft Gulick (named after Jack's father)—"The US Army School of the Americas formally closed its doors here after 38 years of training Latin American soldiers. . . ."

The co-ed luncheon in Sep attracted the largest ever attendance. The **Lopez-Dupreys** even came up for it, and the fallout from their visit continued through the weekend at classmates' homes and a local country club. They were house guests of the **Mercados** and returned to PR the following Mon. The **Ungers** brought their son, Charles, who lives and works in Wash. Other attendees—**Marge Bailey, Choppy Brett,** the **Byroades, Clarkes, Fraziers, Gildarts, Hoskas, Luteses, Maliszewskis, Mercados, Odens, Prentisses, Shives, Frank Taylors,** and lastly only because she is at the end of the alphabet, **Trixie Zehner.** Trixie recently returned from an exciting trip to Russia via Zurich, Bucharest (3 days), down

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the Danube by river boat to Bulgaria, then up the Dnieper River to Odessa and Kiev, stopping at small villages along the way. She flew to Moscow for three days and then back to Zurich and home. She was happy to find the **Palmers** on the same tour which included congenial groups from WP, Annapolis, Univs of PA and MN and the Chicago Council of Foreign Affairs. She had a great time.

Trapper Drum sent me a clipping from Detroit dealing with Jim Fixx's death in which our own jogger took a stand: "**Stan Connelly** of Birmingham, a marathoner at age 71, said 'he's deeply saddened' by Fixx's death, but also philosophical. 'We are not immortal-and dying while jogging is not a bad way to go.' But Connelly admits he'd rather continue living for a while, and while it's been a decade since he had a treadmill test (it was normal), he keeps in close touch with his doctor for cholesterol and blood pressure checks." Trapper also informed us that **Betty's** mother died at age 95. She was formerly married to BG Munnikhuysen '09.

Bill Cain recently had a quadruple bypass opn and is recovering nicely. **Jim Duncan** had minor surgery yesterday at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda and feels fine. Expects to be out in a day or two. The **Harrisons** sold their home in San Antonio and are now living in a condo near their two daughters in CA. They are both doing well and their new address is 201 Flynn Av, #7, Mountain View, CA 94043, just one mile from Moffett AFB.

1937: The Van Volkenburghs, Barksdales, Randy Hines, and Eubanks at Sullivan's Island.

The last column reported the **Smalleys** returning home via New England and the northern route. They stopped over with the **Smiths** in Mystic, CT and had a lobster feast. The Smalleys sail on the SS Constitution for Hawaii on 15 Dec for a cruise around the islands and then return on 11 Jan.

Dottie Preston is off to Italy, Jugoslavia and Greece for two weeks to blow the money she made from selling a couple of her paintings in Aspen recently.

The **Seedlocks** spent the first two weeks in Sep on a business/pleasure trip to Korea where they had a lovely vacation on an island off the southern coast of Korea-just like Hawaii they said. Then they returned via Alaska, staying for several days at Ft Richardson. **Stu O'Malley** plans to settle in the Wash area next spring. Another '37 HOWITZER is offered to anyone wanting one. Contact: COL Joel F Thomason '39, 1413 Montague Dr, Vienna, VA 22180.

Stegmaier's stepson, Ed Wallace, paid him an unusual compliment in answer to a roving reporter's question: "Who is your hero?" "My stepfather.... If I had been able to choose one myself, he would have been the one I would have chosen." Pop up your chest, Steggy! Because of his two stepchildren he can boast of nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The **Tolsons** have a new address: PO Box 1887, Blowing Rock, NC 28605-1889. The **Strandbergs** have become neighbors of the **Murrays**. Their new address: 975 A, Heritage Village, Southbury, CT 06488. The **Georges** have moved from Punxsutawney, PA to 4997 Arroyo Chamisa NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111-3719. **Bob Griffin's** mail was returned as being undeliverable after being forwarded to an Oceanside, CA address from Tucson. Sounds like you're on the lam!

A note enclosed with a tape recording from **Sandy Kirsten** said that he can't make the San Antonio bash, but "am sending this tape to show you I am with you nice people spiritually, anyway. The tape is only very mildly blue, but if any of our classmates are under the age of 18, perhaps they shouldn't hear it without parental consent." MMM We'll see.

As I close out this column, the **Lemmons** have not yet returned from their tour of England and Scotland and all of us are looking forward to the **Frank Taylor's** party of 29 Sep—a kick-off for San Antonio.

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Fr **Doug Polhamus** 5 Sep, "Since our last report we have been deeply saddened by the loss of two of our SA, TX classmates who have joined the Long Gray Line—**Ted Sawwer** and **Ski York.** Ted passed away on 7 Aug and Ski died on 31 Aug. Ted has been suffering for the past 6 mo with cancer of the bone marrow, had a stroke while in Brooke AMC and died within a few days. Ski was also a cancer victim having had part of his intestinal track removed a few years ago. He played golf the day before his death, was trying some new medicine, and died in his sleep at home. Both were buried at Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery with full military honors." Ted is survived by his wife, **Elizabeth;** daughter & son-in-law, Susan & John Klish; son, Antonio; son & daughter-in-law, John M & Carol; mother, Mrs George A Sawyer; grandchildren, Pamela & Timothy Sawyer; sister, Mrs. Myron Bickel; brother, Tom. Ski is survived by his wife, M.E.; son E J York Jr; daughter, Tina York Daniel; four grandchildren, Ann & Allison Daniel, Christopher & Elizabeth York; brother, Matthew Cichowski & sister, Mrs. John Roach (both of Batavia, NY). Ski was ops off for the historic Doolittle Raid on Tokyo and after his retirement fr mil svs was city mgr for Olmos Park for nine yrs.

1938: Kitty Johnson, Joan & Edith Bromiley, Alice Stilwell & Dottie Harrington

More fr **Doug Polhamus,** "We all express our deep sympathy to **Elizabeth Sawyer** and **M.E. York** and their families.... On a more cheerful note, **Bill & Maggie Kieffer** report that they have a new grandson—no. 5—born in SC and named Wm David Kieffer. **Lo & Doug Polhamus** enjoyed a recent trip to Germany, Austria & Italy. They visited their doctor son in Weisbaden, and attended the Passion Play at Oberammergau and managed to ret to the USA on schedule. Enroute to SA they also visited their son & his family at Edgewood Arsenal, had a family gathering of relatives in the Shenandoah Valley and arrived home pretty well worn out."

In the Mar & Jun ASSEMBLY columns we reported on the hospitalization of **Peggy Davis** at WRAMC in critical condition. On 10 Aug she died of emphysema and was interred at Arlington after memorial services at Ft Myer Chapel & graveside. In addition to her husband, **Paul Davis,** she was survived by a son, Paul C.; a daughter, Jill Khadduri (both of Wn DC); & a brother Arthur G. Minder, Wilton Manor, FL; & two grandchildren. Peggy graduated fr Sweetbriar College and worked for the State Dept and White House before teaching in the Philippines, MA, & CT. She was a Bridge Life Master and is remembered by everyone for her courageous and cheerful manner in coping with long and serious illness over several yrs. We sympathize deeply with **Paul** & his family in mourning her passing.

1938: Bromiley, Harrington, Stilwell, Johnson

During Jun **Margaret & Welby Beverley** visited Ft Sill where they saw the **Offers** and the **Elmores.** Welby presented his WWII bn colors to the Museum at Ft Sill. They also saw their son, who was there fr Hawaii attending the 25th Div reunion. **Bob Demitz** sent me a copy of his pamphlet "An Inventor's Story—12000 Inexpensive Words of Real Experience for the Man with A New Idea." Its purpose is to provide guidance for young or old inventors on how to obtain patents. With it he enclosed a drawing & description of a small four-cycle gas engine which he had designed. Most of us have probably exhausted any new ideas we may have had, but here is one classmate who is still active! Any information any classmate may send to us about unusual hobbies or business activities will be shared with our readers.

Fr **Dick Bromiley** 14 Jul, "After trying for awhile, **Edith** & I sold our house in Sarasota and are awaiting completion of a villa now under construction. Moving into the villa, which we expect to do by mid-Aug, will eliminate all the outside work and allow us more time to do other things. Also, our villa, which will face a fairway on a golf course, is smaller than our house so we have been 'downsizing' to get rid of things; some

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of that will help our children and other items will help others through donations. To help span the time between moving fr the house to occupying the villa, we traveled for about 5 wks, going first to Scott AFB to be with our daughter Lynne, her husband Paul Harvey, an AF BG, and their three children. It was also where **Edith** & I went to see my sister Suzanne, who was ill. Unfortunately she passed away early in the morning of the day we went to see her. At least we were nearby to help her husband & children through their difficulties. While at Scott and in the St Louis area we saw several friends. Our main next stop was to be with our daughter Joan who lives in Burke, VA. While there, we played golf, socialized & enjoyed our stay. One evening we were with **Dick & Alice Stilwell** at their lovely home with some of their children & spouses. On another evening, Edith & I were with **Tracy & Dottie Harrington, Dick & Alice Stilwell,** at **Lloyd & Kitty Johnson's.** Our daughter Joan was with us. After about 2 wks in the DC area we headed back to FL, hoping that our presence would encourage the builder to meet schedules and enable us to get our household effects out of storage. We did get tired of living out of suitcases. Please publish our new address which will be effective 15 Aug—5548 Chanteclair, Sarasota, FL 33580."

Fr **Dick Long,** 14 Aug, "Awhile ago **Alice** & I had a bon voyage party for the **Hendersons** and the **Harveys.** The **Brennans** were present. We are all going to the SA mini reunion. As of now all are back fr their trips. The Hendersons did the Scandinavian areas & the Harveys the Orient Express. Then they went snorkeling/diving at several locations in the Med. Since I last wrote to you we have toured Ireland in depth; also Scotland to include the Hebrides. Lastly we covered France, West Germany, & Austria to Vienna and flew back fr there. All four of us & families are in fine shape and we do a lot of golfing." Other mid-Aug info—**Bill Smith** returned fr Indianapolis after attending the reunion of 16th Arm Div. **Don Thackeray** was enroute to Hungary to judge horse shows there and will be back in a wk. He had just returned fr judging riding events at the Olympics in LA. **Tut Patrick** has moved fr Alexandria, VA to Cape Canaveral, FL. His daughter Marie & her husband, Robert Kelley, live at the Alex home with their 3 children. Marie's brothers, Francis Jr lives in DC; Bryan in Annandale; Fulton in Charlottesville; & Fred in Richmond. Her married sister, Marsha, lives with her family in Hawaii. Tut is fine & visits his children & grandchildren here frequently. **Mary & Joe Missal** went to Seattle for son Donald's wedding and then on to Banf & Lake Louise. They had a fine trip and enjoyed warm weather and beautiful scenery in the Rockies. **Nim Collins** visited WP and then met her son Kevin & relatives in MA for about 10 days at the beach. In the last ASSEMBLY col, **Carl & Dottie Dapprich** informed us that their traveling days were over except for occasional trips locally, such as coming to our monthly luncheons here. On 14 Aug they wrote fr Hawaii where they had just visited the bamboo forests Haleaka National Park.

Fr **Carter Duncan** 13 Aug, "My current address is 703 South Mercer Ave, Bloomington, IL 61701, Tel: 309-662-8265. I had been living in LeRoy, a small town about 14 miles away but moved here to be closer to my aged mother, who is in a nursing home. Retirement is easy; just relax & enjoy it. I've been doing that for years. Last Feb I slipped away for 2 wks to escape the cold & snows of IL for which 7½ yrs in Hawaii had left me ill-prepared. In FL I saw **Bill Frederick,** and had dinner one evening in Charleston with **Jean Sundin—Pinky Sundin's** widow and a delightful person. I also hear fr **Tony Chanco** in San Rafael, CA quite regularly."

1938: Presentation of the Weisburg Cup: Joan Coffman to Tess Kopcsak

Fr **Paul Cornwall,** 15 Aug in response to my request for updating fr him, "Fr approximately 1 Jun to 1 Nov I reside in Hampton, VA; the remainder of each year I reside here in Cocoa Beach, FL. You have received hardly anything about me because no one sees much of me. Although **Kelsey** & I live close in FL, his path and mine do not cross. He & his wife belong to the country club set, he's a golfer and, I presume, entertains a lot. I do none of this. Since my by-pass surgery in Aug '81 I don't get around socially much anymore. Feel great, but rather spend my time reading, gardening, or drinking with a few friends. Always was a prime red comforter man as my roommates can testify. One of my problems re classmates is that we served with so few. On Corregidor we did before the war, but half of those are dead. Then I transferred to Air Force—another cleavage. Then industry—very little opportunity for old school ties. Plus no kids as a common ground. I enjoy the reunions—hope to get to San Antonio. **Frances,** my wife since 1940, has had little opportunity to know Class of '38 as we served with very few. And she is deeply involved in animal rescue work. She has her own VA chartered non-profit charity and cares for nearly fifty animals at two sites. . . ."

Fr **Ward Ryan,** 27 Aug, "**Ward & Cha Cha Ryan** had their annual reunion at Bear Tooth Dude Ranch at Nye, MT with Ward's daughter, Erin, son-in-law, Tom Rota & 3 grandchildren. Tom is comptroller in a silicon valley computer firm. Beartooth Ranch is Ward's Shangri-La. He's been going there for all of his 72 years. He is now the official grandpa at Beartooth. Rates—$50.00/day including unlimited use of horses (740), fishing in the beautiful Stillwater River & swimming in the cold water on a sandy beach. In Jan Ward & Cha Cha are planning a trip to St Croix on a Diners Club promotional which knocks $750 off the American Airlines fare. Enroute to MT, Ward & Cha Cha attended the annual reunion of the 17th Abn Div at the Pheasant Run Inn in St Charles, IL. Ward delivered the commemoration address to the 800 attendees. He received a standing ovation. He was invited back to deliver the commemoration in '85 if he lives that long. At the Broadmoor, CO, Ward called on retired LTG John Heintges '36 and his lovely wife Nonnie, living in a mansion with Nonnie's aged mother. Nonnie looks like a schoolgirl. Sorry to say, John looks his age, as does Ward."

Fr **Frieda Russell,** 2 Sep, "Expect to arrive 8 Oct and leave the 14th. Friend Gini (Burch) will be staying with a cousin in the District and I will be with friends in Falls Church. George (Bud) & Fran Poole, 308 Gundry Drive, Falls Church 22046. Tel: (703) 536-6578. Bud is a retired CWO—have known them for over 30 years. Hope all is well—we are fine."

Fr **Hugh Wallace,** 8 Sep, "Once again I am pinch-hitting for **Bill Strand.** They had been on a trip to visit their daughter & family in CA, expecting to return by this weekend, but apparently (I don't know details) there was a family emergency somewhere in Bill's family and they had to travel elsewhere. **George & Debbie Artman** traveled to Phoenix & Las Vegas for a reunion with a couple of buddies who were former intelligence colleagues when he was serving with the British staff in London some 30 or more years ago. Their discussions were still classified (TOP BOURBON) that is, and hence are unreportable. **George** says they hope to get together again next year in Seguin, TX. **Batt & Paulette Batterson** have taken off for a trip to CA by way of Canada. Their plans are to visit national parks enroute to Canada, then leisurely make their way down the Pacific Coast to CA where their children are now living. They expect to return by way of the Grand Canyon. Batt said he always wanted to visit the western nat'l parks, hence their roundabout itinerary. **Frank & Evelyn Hartman** visited very old friends (time, not age) in Santa Fe. Also, their daughter & her husband (Ambassador to Ecuador) visited with them this summer on home leave. **Mert & Jean Singer** participated at the convention of the Food Technologists this summer in Las Vegas. Mert said he helped keep Las Vegas green, though he tried to make his contribution as small as possible. They did enjoy the casino shows while there. **Frank Norris** was back in VA to visit his children during the summer. Frank has bought a home in the same area where he had been living and has just completed his move into it. Frank joins **Fred & Trudy Wright** and **Hugh & Jan Wallace** in changing homes during the past few months. We all say that no matter how adept & efficient we used to be when moving around in the service, at our now attained ages, this moving bit is mighty wearisome. **Beno Bruton** (**Bob Bruton's** widow) recently traveled to Harrisburg, PA for the marriage of their #2 son."

1938: Muriel Amick & Alice Stilwell

The **Wallaces'** new address is 2 Bridlington Ct, San Antonio, TX 78218. 18 Sep. **Tess Kopcsak** continues to compete & to win golf

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tournaments. Recently she won the class D Weisburg Cup at the Norbeck Country Club at the first hole of a playoff. Mrs. John Coffman, Chairman of the Women's District Golf Assn, presented the Weisburg Cup to **Tess** at Norbeck C.C. 21 Sep. Ft McNair monthly luncheon was attended with wives by **Beverley, Bixby, Bob Brown, Izenour, Lewis, Lotz, Ward Ryan** and **Sussmann,** and alone by **Chavasse, Conell, Damon, Bill Smith,** and **Bill Walson** and by **Nim Collins, Mary Missal, Alice Stilwell** and **Muriel Amick. Mary Conell** and **Dolores Damon** had medical appointments. **Joe Missal** had hoped to attend but stayed home with the flu. **Dick Stilwell** was giving a speech in Denver with another honorarium going to the USMA '38 Class fund. Muriel Amick was the guest of Alice Stilwell and came to the DC area to attend the first annual meeting of the Army Retirement Residence Foundation—Potomac. Nim Collins is a member of this Foundation's Advisory Board. This meeting at Ft Myer Ceremonial Hall was attended by large numbers of retired Army officers & families. Muriel's son, Mickey, lives in Falls Church. **Bob Brown** expressed the pleasure of our group in having Muriel with us on this occasion.

1938: Ward Ryan & Nick Chavasse

The traveling **Bixbys, George & Betty,** returned recently from a trip to West Germany where they saw the Passion Play & visited several places in East Germany including Dresden and Potsdam. George commented on the favorable contrast between places they visited in West Germany by comparison with Communist East Germany. **Bob & Ann Brown** leave on 24 Sep for a 3 wk trip to Santa Fe, NM & El Paso, TX. **Welby Beverley** will host the next monthly luncheon at Ft McNair on 17 Oct. The **Browns** will visit their son in Santa Fe and friends in El Paso. The **Izenours** returned recently from a visit with their daughter in Dallas and to the World's Fair in New Orleans. **Junie & Shirley Lotz** are going to Europe soon and will visit their daughter, her husband, & their grandson in Holland. **Ward & Cha Cha Ryan** returned fr MT before the fires in that state occurred, and he wore full western finery at our luncheon. **Alice & Dick Stilwell** will be going to Korea soon where Dick will lead an Armed Forces delegation and make a speech on Armed Forces Day there. During Aug **Ches Chesarek** was here attending an annual meeting of retired generals. He was looking fit, and expects to be back in this area in Dec. **Mert Singer** informed **Bob Brown** that about 80 classmates have signed up for the SA mini-reunion as definite or probable attendees and about 150 are expected during 8-10 Nov '85, plus 3 days. **Jim & Charlotte Taylor** called **Bob Brown** on 19 Sep. They were enroute fr Hilton Head to Newport, RI for a WWII reunion. **Jim** says that **Fred Dean** and **Art Maloney** are "in good shape playing golf and Art does some fishing. Jim had a heart by-pass opn several yrs ago, but plays tennis & golf, walks & jogs a little (even tho dr says no). **LE Johnson** has been designated as '38 member of the USMA Bd of Trustees. **Paul Davis** sent a note to **Dick Stilwell** which **Bob Brown** read at our luncheon expressing his appreciation for the flowers fr Class of '38 and attendance by many classmates & friends at **Peggy's** funeral services.

Anyone wanting a 1938 HOWITZER should contact me, the Class scribe. (Joel Thomason '39 has an extra copy.) As usual **Bob & Ann** made outstanding arrangements for this first monthly luncheon of the fall season. Those classmates & family members who have not been mentioned or shown in pictures in this column recently can assist us by providing info for future columns. Your letters, phone calls, & snapshots are solicited & will be used. We hope to see everyone at the mini reunion during Nov '85!

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Happy Holidays! Our 45th Reunion, now history, we shall bone for the 50th. To those who came—about 40% of the roster by Sept —these Notes may be a rehash, but for the remainder, and those whose paths did not cross, here goes.

The mail bag, sparse this last quarter, perhaps in anticipation of the Reunion, yielded but two letters. **Elder James,** writing from Arizona, advised that **Paul Yale** (V. Yaletchko) mentioned in the last Notes died 30 July in Asheville, NC. Our condolences to his family. His widow, **Alex,** is at 6 Azalea Dr, Coco Beach, FL 32931. Said James, "I intend to attend the Reunion—had hoped to go on the same plane as the **O'Herns** and the **Scholls** (from California), but **Erna's** cardiologist doesn't want her to fly so we are toughing it out on a cross-country drive." We're sure he will enjoy the beauty in the East in Oct enough to make the long trek worthwhile. **Clyde Sutton** reminisces from Atlanta, "Yesterday (10 Sep) I completed 25 years here at the (City) Court. Since 1959 revenue generated by this office (traffic fines) has multiplied nearly 100 times—$1900 for Sep 59; $171,000 Aug 84." "Imagine a business," he says, "where you only take in cash, give nothing in return, and need pay no tax on the income?" Clyde, surely the city gives something in return!

1939: Lillys, Halls, and Bradleys enroute to Alaska

Then there were some letters from the spring quarter, which arrived too late to make the 30 June deadline. **Roger Lilly,** Monument, CO, sent a photo of himself and **Betty, DeWitt & Mary Jane Hall, Bill & June Bradley** aboard S.S. **Rotterdam** enroute to Alaska in June. He wrote, "**Sam Samuel** had

1939: Gorski, McClellan, Kepple, Goodpasters, and Lennhoff at '39 Annual Golf Tournament, Ft. Belvoir

a bad fall and separated a kneecap. Operation was successful, but he will have to slow down for awhile." **Bill Smith** wrote from San Antonio, "In May, Tubac AZ residents, **Jane & Riggs Sullivan,** organized the 'Tubac Closed,' a leisurely and definitely non-competitive

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golf tournament and social. Texas classmates, **Jean & Milt Adams, Nina & Bill Smith, Anne & Tom Whitehouse** joined Californians **BJ & Huey Long,** Retha Wilcox and **Fran Bestic** for a marvelous time. We've forgotten who won at golf, but the overall event had no

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losers." In another communication, Bill wrote that "Milt Adams has been masterminding, for the last couple of years, development of the 'new and most impressive' Laredo Country Club. The Golf Course, 6500 yds is par 72. The clubhouse contains every appointment expected of the best." He invites those who can to visit the facility. More golf news . . . from Hilton Head, **Higgins** writes, "Yesterday (16 June) **Bob Williams** and I were playing golf with Bob's guest, his

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cardiologist, from Ft Gordon. To prove that his heart problems were at a minimum, Bob sank his tee shot in the difficult par 3, 146 yard, number 4 hole on the Harbor Town Golf Course. A HOLE-IN-ONE should be proof enough Bob is still Okay!"

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And at the Sept DC Class luncheon in the Pentagon, **PJ Long** was heard to boast about his HOLE-IN-ONE at Fontanna Village, NC, where he played while attending a square dance festival; he was less communicative, however, when asked his score for the round! After the luncheon, members of the Class Committee met to set the agenda for the business meeting to be held at the Thayer on 5 Oct at the Reunion.

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Chet Lennhoff was heard to growl often during our game at South Post, Ft Belvoir while golfing with **Dossy & Andy Goodpaster, Harry McClellan** and **Andy Gorski** on 15 Sep, that he'd like to get us on the tennis courts and show his prowess. The occasion was the annual tournament and picnic hosted by Chet & **Nancy**. Thirty-four classmates and wives gathered at their beautiful home in Mantua Woods, Fairfax, VA for the evening cookout. **Bill Banning** was official photographer. **Phyll & Bernie Teeters** came up from Fayetteville, NC for the party. **Linc Simon** reported that he had just returned from a short conference of VA members of the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), a national organization of volunteers that provides free management counselling to small business. He noted that several retired officers are members of the group, and wondered whether some classmates of like capability would like to join. Interested? Drop Linc a line.

At the invitation of the French govt, **Mike Davison** was in France on 1 Sept to participate in the 40th anniv commemoration of a battle fought by the infantry battalion he commanded in 1944 that liberated the town of Meximieux near Lyon. Mike is an honorary citizen of Meximieux, and there is a square in the town named after him. The ceremony was attended by senior civilian and military officials of the French govt and by a large turnout of the local population, including many veterans of the French Maquis. Both French and American troops participated in the ceremonies which received extensive coverage in the French media. Mike told me that amongst the French people there seems to be great awareness of the historic Franco-American relationship: the role France played in helping us win our independence from Great Britain, as well as profound gratitude for the American sacrifices in helping France regain its freedom during WWII. He said this awareness and gratitude were reflected in the warmth of the reception he received and in the attention given the event by the French media.

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And, **Harry Kinnard** marched with more than 300 veterans of the 101st Abn, with US Army, Belgian, French, Canadian and Dutch troops and military bands through the streets of Bastogne, cheered by thousands of townspeople, in remembrance of the Battle of the Bulge. Many of the spectators wore buttons inscribed "Nuts," GEN McAuliffe's famous response to the German demand for surrender while his Div was surrounded. "It is a joy to come back to a place that appreciates you laid your life on the line for them 40 years ago," said Harry. Harry was Div G-3.

Also, on the way to Europe last June, **Ed Hamilton** ran into **Bob Richardson** at a stopover in Iceland. Both were travelling on the same plane to Luxemburg: Ed & **Grace** would head to Normandy; Bob & **Anne** to Germany for Bob's business meeting, then an auto tour on the Continent.

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Sorrowfully we note two more deaths: **Vernice Jones (Bunch) Duke** died 26 July, Ransom, WV with memorial services 30 July at the Ft Myer Chapel. **U. G. Gibbons** died 18 Sep in Huntsville, AL after a long bout with emphysema and related conditions. His body was cremated; interment and graveside services are scheduled at WP in Nov. His widow, **Guila,** lives at 1506 Lowell Dr, Huntsville, AL 35801. Our condolences to both families.

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As summer dwindled away, I was surprised to have **Pete & Vi Kramer's** postal, mailed from Turkey, but with a picture of a rather massive statue in Odessa honoring some Soviet sailors from the battleship **Potyomkin.** Pete was at some pains to point out, "I've neither defected nor been shanghaied to the USSR. During a cruise of the eastern Med on the MS **Golden Odyssey** we visited Odessa yesterday and Yalta today. I preferred Yalta—we had a better shore tour and the scenery is incredible. But the workers' paradise lacks much in reality!"

Tony & Lora Wermuth wrote to say that they finish their "newlywed" status with their first anniversary in Oct. Tony went on to say that they'd been on the west coast for a month and that, on their return, he'd found a letter from Burt Andrus '41 inquiring as to how '40 is planning to handle its 50 yr book. We consider that the query flatters '40's long range planning no end. In point of fact, **Bryce Denno** expects to unveil his plans for the book at our 45th Reunion at WP next fall. Then he'll decide if there's enough enthusiasm and financial support to justify going ahead with the project.

1940: The L. J. Fullers and Alleen Burfening

Back on Memorial Day, **Oz & Pat Leahy** set about enticing the classmates in the DC area to their beautiful Bethesda home. About 40 of '40 turned up to enjoy good weather, fine drinks, and superb food around the Leahy pool.

Al & Roma Thayer (you remember that Al has for some time been a management expert on the faculty at Boston College) wrote the other day to say that Al had had a call from the Supe at WP "... inviting me to return to active duty for 2 wks to straighten out some problems he was having at USMA. I was sitting there wondering what the problems were that I could help with, when it dawned on me that it was all a hoax—that Valiant Viking **Nils Bengston,** was making up for some opinions I've expressed about him in past correspondence."

Al went on, "And, speaking of practicing Vikings, **Bob Mackin** wrote from Ireland in early Aug to tell me, 'I sailed here from Boston this summer on the boat I've spent years building. Now that I've done it, I can retire and be normal. I spent 4 days in the Harbour at Dunmore East, County Waterford waiting out gales. I've been doing lots of sightseeing and so far have found out that every other person seems to be named Jack or John Collins.' " Al concluded by saying that the **Thayers** were going to the Innisbrook reunion in the hope that Al could find

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some helpful classmate to teach him how to get out of a sand trap.

Lanny & Nora Witt wrote from El Paso to say, "We're leaving for Germany in mid-Sep to see our son Chris, who is a major and S-3 of the 10th ADA Bde in Darmstadt. We then expect to meet **Kermit & Bobbi Dyke** and **John & Alleen Burfening** and go touring with them to sundry out-of-the-way places." Lanny went on, "In Jun I went to my 50th HS reunion in Pontiac, IL. I came back matured—everyone else looked old! I had a great time, especially since I had been pres of my senior class. Never again will I be pres of anything for 50 yrs! Stopped in St Louis on the way back for 2 days with **Frank & Helen Watrous.** They are great and we had a wonderful time. I especially liked going up in that Arch."

1940: Olive and Mel Rosen

I'm sorry to have to report several items of bad news. Late in Jun, too late for the Class notes that I'd already sent, came word that **Len Haseman** had died in his sleep on 26 Jun at Grand Junction, CO. I called **Vi** to express condolences; she told me that 3 yrs ago Len had been diagnosed as having cancer and that extensive therapy had made the going fairly easy until the last 3 mos. Graveside services were at WP on 6 Jul.

More recently, I had a report that **Homer Chandler** had died at Metuchen, NJ about the first of Sep. I've no more information, except that he was buried at WP on 6 Sep and that **Anne** can be reached at 55 Irving Ave, Metuchen, NJ 08840.

After a long and gallant fight against cancer, **Jewell Miley** died at Walter Reed on 26 Jul. We offer our sincere sympathy to **Harry,** who can be reached at Box 148F, Lusby, MD 20657.

We also send our deep sympathy to **Frank Devlin,** who lost his **Barbarra** at Walter Reed on 11 Aug after a long illness. Frank is at the family address at 3549 Springland Lane NW, Washington, DC 20008.

And, just before we went to press, **Don Baumer** relayed the sad word that **John Pidgeon's Betty** died early in Jul at Salinas, CA. We grieve with John in his loss.

I'd intended to include this in the column 3 mos ago, but it got buried in my pile of backup papers. If you haven't read **Bryce Denno's** article, dig out the Jun issue of ARMY magazine and see "Allen and Heubner: Contrast in Command." Bryce has done a masterful job of comparing the backgrounds and methods of these two commanders of the Big Red One.

Don Bennett wrote me a little while back. He was obviously wearing his "former supe" hat and also hoping that the '40 contribution to the WP Fund might continue to increase. After some review, we jointly concluded that it would be a great idea if I again encouraged each member of the Class to make an annual contribution of $50 (in recognition of the 50th Reunion, at which we hope to make a fairly substantial Class gift to WP). I think it's only fair to point out that there's just enough time to make such a tax-deductible contribution before the end of this tax year. Such donations should be sent to the AOC, USMA, West Point, NY 10996, with your check made out to "West Point Fund" and marked "Class of '40 Gift Segment" on some convenient corner.

Don also commented that his WWII outfit, the 62d Armd FA Bn, had held its 37th annual reunion in Jul in Amarillo. He notes that the numbers are getting smaller each year, but that it's still exhilarating to meet again. Don went on to say that he had talked on the phone to **Art Barry** this summer. Art has ret this year from his job as General Counsel, State of CO Dept of Health and is now trying to do all the things that he has put aside for so long. Art did say that he and **Betty** had spent a wonderful month in England.

Those of us who could make our way to the Innisbrook reunion at Tarpon Springs, FL in late Sep pronounced it an unqualified success. **Don & Sandy Baumer** had performed minor miracles in handling last-minute room reservations and travel plans, coordinating the three excellent dinners for the whole mob of us, and scheduling a widely varied program of activities that ran all the way from golf and tennis matches to fishing expeditions, shopping, and museum-hopping.

Innisbrook is indeed a top-notch resort that lives up to its advance billing: "... rich with gleaming lakes, rolling hills, emerald fairways." Most of us stayed in the impressive guest lodges scattered about the estate, where we told war stories to classmates who hadn't heard them before and worried over which of the many activities we would pursue next.

1940: Aubrey, Dyke, and Lane host Leahy, McKenney, and Vaughan, May '84

The party program opened with drinks, a large amount of talk, and a delicious beef dinner the night we arrived. It continued with equally good dinners each night thereafter. Between such social activities, we pursued the sports program and wandered off the reservation to see how the locals lived.

Not surprisingly, there were a large number of FL residents who turned up at the reunion. In addition to the **Baumers,** there were **Gerry & Marie Brown, Scotty & Sally Greene, Paul O'Neil, Otis & Maggie Ulm,** and **George & Pinky England** from the nearby St Petersburg area. From the vicinity of Orlando, there were **Bill Gildart, Mike & Bette Kuziv, Izzy & Rose Marie Shearer,** and **Tony & Lora Wermuth. Ray & Jeanne Clock** came down from Ocala to help **Don** with his collection sheet. From the Cape Kennedy area, there were **Frank & Anne Colacicco, Jack & Louise Dibble, Harmon & Dorothy Rimmer,** and **Ed Wynne. Corny & Phyllis Murphy** and **Len Symroski** came up from the Ft Myers/Naples area and **Phil & Grace Cibotti** drove over from Lighthouse Point on the east coast. We were also glad to see Ed & Florence Mabry; **Florence** is **J.K. Roberts'** widow. We missed seeing a few of Don's FL committee members: **Ro Gleszar,** who had been helping with some logistics arrangements, had to drop out and **Bill Stoddard,** who had helped with reservations, had to leave early to make a long-scheduled trip to England.

1940: Yeager, Dyke, and Lane

From GA, there were **Dave & Dot Byrne, Dick & Marge Free,** and **Frank & Carla Meszar.** The AL group included **Milt & Glennie Barnard, A.B. & Connie Hughes,** and **Al & Beth Gillem.** To round out the deep south contingent, we had **Chet & Mary Edith Freudendorf** and **Bill** (E Co) **& Marie Lewis** over from LA, **John & Bettye Graf** from Memphis, and **George & Jerrye LaBreche** from MS. There were a number in from the DC area, including **J.B. & Bobbie Bonham, Joe & Mary Couch, Vic Hobson, Oz & Pat Leahy, Russ & Dot Manzolillo, George & Marge Mayo, Earl & Lesley McFarland,** and **Hobie & Molly Pillsbury,** while **Ed & Mary Kyle** came in from Richmond. **Al & Roma Thayer** represented New England.

From MO came **Art & Dolly McCartan** and **Frank & Helen Watrous. Paul & Lois Cullen** came in from Lawton, OK. The Texans included **Dan & Babs Briggs, Pete & Vi Kramer, A.J. & Bernadine Russell, Les Schockner, Ray & Judy Shoemaker, Morry & Flora Shoss,** and **John & Vera Townsend. Budge & Rosemary Bingham, Skip & Mary Lou Fowler,** and **Bob Raleigh** made up the CO contingent.

1940: Bill Bennett's PA identification

From the far west, **G.D. & Helen Green, Ed & Sara Hoover, Mark & Frances Klunk, John Pidgeon, Bill & Ann Shanahan,** and **J.J. & Claude Smith** made up the quite impressive CA delegation. The farthest-away honors

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again went to **Dick & Margaret Shagrin** for their trip from Seattle.

When, on Sun, 30 Sep, the last of the visitors had cleared the gate at Innisbrook, **Don & Sandy Baumer** could kick off their shoes and heave a well-earned sigh. They did a superb job in gathering and entertaining all those classmates who could attend. Those who couldn't make it will have to await the next opportunity, which will be our 45th Reunion at WP on the weekend of 4-6 Oct 85, when Army will be playing Yale and we'll be checking on whether the Corps has. Plan toward that one!

Marge and I send best wishes to each of you for a gala Holiday Season and for a happy and successful New Year!

'41

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The '84 Olympics—what a tonic for sexagenarian souls! We learned new words like "repechage;" new names, from some of the African track men; new heroines like Mary Lou Renton and heroes like Gregg Luganis; and, perhaps above all, new respect for the beautiful young people of the world—the fiber is still there! Will we ever forget the Swiss Woman's Marathon finish of Gabriela Anderson-Schleiss? And our military athletes did extremely well: Alonzo Babers, just out of the Air Academy, taking two Golds, and our pentathletes who did not get the TV coverage (Howard Cosell was busy hogging it), so I have a report from a man who should know and does know: **Biss Moore.** "A great Olympics! We pentathletes regretted more than most that Carter kept us out of the '80 games. That year, for the first time in history we had the World Champion in Modern Pentathlon—Robert Nieman—a brilliant athlete.

"However, by '84 he was just a little too old, and had to earn a living—as distinguished from the Iron Curtain countries where sports become a lifelong career. Our new young fellow, Storm, was not quite the same caliber as Nieman who had defeated them all in '79 & '80. Storm finished 5th and Losey and Glenesk 9th and 11th. But—different than my day, besides the individual medals there are medals for the team. In 1984 our Pentathlon Team won the silver medals, a great feat! But, as you said, I am still the last individual American to finish as high as second, and it will be forty years by '88. Ah So!"

Biss went on to say they regret missing the **McIntyre** wedding but will be in Scotland and England for 4 months during which he plans to net one of the fabled Scottish salmon. Their address after 10 Jan: PO Box 7245, Hilton Head Is, SC 29938. "Once we get settled, how about a Mini at H.H.?"

A most welcome full report on the DC Chapter came from **Walt Woolwine.** "The first fall luncheon at the ANCC on 11 Sept. The primary item on the agenda was to wish **Rod O'Connor** 'God Speed' as he joined the geese and the hummingbirds in the annual southward hegira. The despedida included **Bob Elsberry, Stan Hayes, Bob Lanigan, Woody Garrett, Henry Bodzon, Pete Tanous, Al Muzyk, John Deane, Charles Canella, Mike Greene** and Walt. **Barney Woodruff** regretted. **Herb Stern** was out of town, and **Ed Rowny, Jog Green** and **Charlie Fletcher** were absent without a b-ache. The monthly meeting is now held on the second Tuesday at the ANCC. Walt and **Betty** hosted another pool party on 4 Aug and rallied 51. **Tuck & Dody Brown** from Columbia, the **Cliffords** from Carlisle and the Marylanders, **Powells, Reillys, Sterns** and **Betty Woodruff**—locals, **Lucy Cooper, Lucy Millikin, Skip Brown** (no tomatoes this year due to her move to Old Town), **Jean Moody, Ceile Clinton** and **Molly Brown.** Also present to raise their glasses and cheer the swimmers were the **Gurfeins, Fletchers** (back from a vacation in MI and a visit with the **Uptons**) the **Elsberrys, Garrets, Camps, Rownys, Canellas, Huffmans, Deanes, Jog Green, Reeds, Richards, O'Connors, Tanous Hays** and **Hank Bodson.** Some even managed to swim the length of the pool. Where are George and Betty off to—talked to **Pete Crow** recently."

1941: The Briers, Corbins and Henschke in Cheyenne just prior to USAFA-Wyoming game.

And **Roy Kelley** sent a report from Cajun country. He and **Kay** took a trip to China, Hong Kong, Bangkok and Singapore in Feb. They also have the senior citizen passport and have visited a grandson in Brooklyn and plan to see a daughter in Maine and stop at the **Dixon** lobster emporium while there. Roy extends a welcome and a spare bedroom to see the LA World's Fair. He is still active with the American Arbitration Assn. "**Denis Grace** remains the only other '41er in New Orleans. Having nominated me as Toastmaster, Denis relaxed at the Founder's Day dinner where the Supe did an excellent job for us. Was excited to hear that roommate **Stan Ramey** was moving to AR, although he is as far from here as you can get and still be in the state. G Co obits are in progress. **Fox Rhynard** has completed **Bill Cummins'**, **George Hicks** did one for **Charlie Peirce, Mike Greene** is working on one for **Walt Singles, George Adjemian** on **Chuck Willes,** and **Bob Dixon** has completed **Chuck Cannon's.** We need pertinent info on **Singles,** if anyone can come up with it."

Paul Skowronek sent a post card showing a Polish festival which featured some of their beautiful horses and an admonition to read Michener's **Poland,** describing how the Polish cavalry saved Europe from the Ottoman invasion. His letter which followed says, "Today (20 Jul) the Communist Polish Parliament released from jails many of the political prisoners connected with the Solidarity movement, but the whole country is like a gloomy prison. It is hard to get into, difficult to travel in, and a relief to get out of. I feel like I deserve this R&R in Garmisch. The red Porsche 911 I bought for my East European travels helped to make the Polish girls friendly, but it was like waving an anti-red flag at the Polish police. On 4 Jul, by a symbolic coincidence, I was at the Gdansk shipyard shrine where the Solidarity union movement started. In defiance of the government, people keep fresh flowers there in memory of the workers who were killed in the protest. My study of contemporary history continues to be a source of excitement and satisfaction. Cruising around Eastern Europe in a Porsche 911 is a pleasant change from Central America in a VW."

Our other citizen of the world, **Pete Tanous,** told me he drove daughter, Joannie, out to Boulder after her year at the London School of Business. He said he phoned but got a d/a. He reported that **Herb & Rose Stern** are on a tour to Ireland, and he promised to come out this winter to brush up on his skiing.

Delly McMillan reported that with the submission of **Sam Parks'** obit by **Whit Whitaker,** the mission of "C" Co obits is 100% complete. "Judy and I went to MD in Apr to visit four children and four grandchildren. My physical state from the operation held up well. This was my first trip and I feel great and will be able to expand my scope of activities." A salute to Delly for an outstanding job on the "C" Co obits!

The turning of our beautiful aspen leaves to gold tells me that it is time to trigger the Christmas Letter. After writing the AOG to order the envelopes, I phoned **John Deane** on his 800 number to ask how he was coming with the project of getting the Class of '41 declared a non-profit organization so that we can save a bundle in postage. He said the bureaucrats had just multiplied his reporting work load by a factor of 5—i.e., an annual report on our treasury instead of one after each reunion. John also gave me the sad news about the death on 20 Sept of **Jock Adams.** One of the true war heroes in the Class—2 Silver Stars, 4 BSMs, 2 Purple Hearts and Jump Wings with 2 combat jumps, Jock had suffered the past few years with a heart attack and other ailments. He reportedly had driven **Ruth** to work, and on the way home had a car accident which may have been caused by another attack. Ruth can be reached at 61 S. Terrace, Wormleysburg, PA 17043. John & **Ginger** plan a trip to their home state of NY soon to collect some family history and visit relatives.

In early August **Frank Linnell** phoned to tell me that **Margaret Greene** had passed away after a long and valiant fight. He went on to say that **Larry** asked that contributions in lieu of flowers be made to the American Kidney Fund, 7315 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20814. The other sad and belated news is, as you noted in ASSEMBLY, that **Dave Woods** died on 25 Jul. **Jack Norton** told me he had few details other than cancer. **Joanne's** address is 10 Philip Farm Rd; Concord, MA 01742. And, again, as you noticed in ASSEMBLY, we read the obits on **Charlie Peirce, Ben Mayo, Roy Clinton, George Cooper** and **Ace Tyndall.** We are making good progress and the action officers and company reps are to be congratulated.

The CO Sp Chapter has had a great summer capped off by a beautiful wedding. **George & Betty McIntyre's** daughter, Nancy, married David R. Carter on 22 Sept in Denver. George blew his about face giving the bride away, but otherwise the very formal and happy wedding party looked great, esp the bride's Mama who wore blue and caught more eyes than the bridesmaids. Gathering to salute the happy couple were **Bill & Jerry Brier,** down from Cheyenne; **Dottie & John Henschke, Mary & Dave Gauvreau; Jean & Tom Corbin; Alma & Mal Troup** (doing much better with his back problem); **Lou & Jim Carroll; Kay** & I. After a gala reception at Fitzsimmons grand old O Club, the wedding party went to dinner at the famous 94th

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Aero Squadron, located just off Stapleton's main runway. After a superb dinner we fell back on the O Club which has transient qtrs on the second story—just like the good old days!

1941: Henschkes rally to honor the Kramers and Clearys.

On 23 Jun **Woody Garrett** transited our turf to join his Ranger Bn guys at at Ft Carson reunion. We got him to break away for a luncheon, hosted by **Dave Gauvreau** his old Medly Relay mate. Woody looked great and assured us that he was holding his own with the war story troops of the 6th Ranger Bn! Merissa Troup, a beautiful HS Jr. visited her grandparents in June and, because she is an intercollegiate class swimmer, was invited to tour the Academy by the swim coach. **Barney Woodruff** stopped by on his way back from harvesting some of our great trout in the Gunnison area. **Kay** was tied up so I took him to the AFA O Club for a luncheon with a new AOC who reported in recently, Maj. Jack Trimble, '70 USAFA. We tried to include Lt Col Wayne Rhynard '65 who is recently assigned to the Space Command but he was tied up. **Tom Corbin** was out of town. Barney reported they still plan to join the CO Sp Chapter—date uncertain. The other recent arrivals who are wearing the uniform are Lt Col Donald C. Koterwas USMA '64 who married Sperry Millikin. He is with the CE and building the Space Cmd complex. We hope to have them at a Class party soon. Sperry told us that **Lucy** will be out for Christmas. On 8 Sep, **Lynn & Bena Lee** came through in their new motor home. After the AFA game we had a small rally here, but Bena was not well and couldn't make it. The local gang enjoyed seeing Lynn who looked great and reported that their recent cruise on the Rhine was a max. After they left CO Sp en route to visit a sister in OK they checked into a KOA to find a note on the door saying "Pick your spot and plug in"—when they did so they blew the air conditioner, refrig and everything on their new rig. Moving to another campsite, and approaching it in the dark, they stopped to inquire at the office and Lynn did not see a wire barrier across the gate, fell, hit head first and was out cold. Bena, who can't operate the rig, was frantic. Finally two farm boys answered her calls and got him to the clinic where he came out of it and is OK, but this added to the storm they drove through in WY got their trip off to a rough start.

As planned, **Jo & Bob Kramer** visited the **Henschke's,** and a party in their honor together with **Tom & Cathy Cleary** was done in the usual **Dottie** Henschke manner. **Mary Gauvreau** was in Europe visiting their son Jim, Maya and granddaughter Ariane. The Kramers had just completed a 15 day AK tour with Bob's older brother and his wife with four nights on the New Amsterdam. The Clearys returned on their passport via Lansing, MI and a visit with Tom's sister, Helene.

Bill & Jerry Brier were just back from a trip to Japan to see grandson Beau. On 4 Jul, I got a call from **Rod O'Connor** to say that son Dick (same class as Trimble USAFA) had finished AFSC, had reported to the Pentagon, and was the proud father of a daughter. On 18 Sept, **John Easton** phoned to give the exciting news that son John is running for Governor of VT. He said **Julie** is well and that he is still putting up the good fight with his dread disease. The **Corbins** are off this week on a trip to England where **Tom** will meet with his WWII B-26 mates. **Buck Miller** is pushing the Love Boat and condos in Cancun. **Babe Hendrickson** just back from his HS 50th wants info on one of his classmates who was KIA while with my outfit in Italy.

Trust you saw the pix in last ASSEMBLY of **Mike & Eileen Greene's** dedication of the fireplace set at Nininger Hall. On two recent trips I called **K.O. Dessert** in Montgomery, **A. W. White** in Cincinnati and **Arnie Phillips** in St. Louis. All report things in good shape, and Phillips is busy building an airplane in his garage. It is a Long-EZE that looks like something out of Star Wars, but ATP says he will fly it with **Libby** to our big 45th. He is also proud to report that son Dexter and bride Christie have just finished Army Aviation training and are reporting to Eustis. **George & Celeste Stalnaker** sold their home in MD and have moved to FL near Eglin AFB; *new add: 1724 Bayshore Dr; Niceville, FL 32578; ph 904-678-5779.

1941: Skowronek at Gdansk.

My feed-back on the Riley visit was great, and I even heard from two guys in classes after ours! The computer bit brought letters from **Dick Kline** and **Lem Faulkner** who likewise are struggling to take command of the electronic brain in a box. For a goat like me it's great to type a half dozen pages and then ask it to show the misspelled words. After correcting them you hit another key that sends them scurrying back into their proper place in ranks. But for anyone over the age of 14 the learning curve is rigorous. At this point, I feel that if I ever become completely "Combat Ready" on this monster, I'll be ready to take up Break Dancing!

Hats Off! and a special '41 salute to our fabulous Olympic athletes!!!

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Being retired and having nothing to do sure does make it tough to meet deadlines! We've just returned from a modest (compared to last year) 5,400-mile auto jaunt to find that this is due at the AOG the day after tomorrow! So here goes—but don't look for coherence, unity and emphasis!

Spent a fun night with **Helene & George Rehkopf** on the way north. It was **Barbara's** first look at their lovely home, and as **Bobbie Offley** would say, we had a ball! **Bobbie & Dan Raymond** joined us for a very happy Happy Hour and a super dinner. Afterwards, a visit to their beautiful place nearby for oohs and ahs and nightcaps. Helene's mother is still perking, if somewhat abashed by their rowdy friends. The picture of Fat **George & Betty Clay,** taken when the Rehkopfs visited in CO Springs after the last golf gaggle, defies even my powers of description!

A week in Wisconsin, followed by a couple of days in DC. Lunched with **Charlie Mizell, Jeff Davis, Bob Bringham** (doin' great) and another outlander, **Ted Marks,** in town for a funeral. Ted must hold the record; he's on his 3rd Class ring! He'd had a recent visit in Hilton Head with old beady-eyes **Jim Wood,** whose son is now at the Army War College. More of a shocker was a phone call from, and subsequent visit by, **Jim Pendergrast!**

The next week to Wintergreen, VA, with both kids and families. A lovely spot. **Betty Lou & Bill Plott** were to join us for dinner one night, but the old barrister was feeling overworked and underpaid-plus some ulcer pangs-so they had to scratch. Then back to Arlington to baby-sit the world's greatest grandson and have some time with Barbara's mother. **Barbara** saw the **Krafts** and **Sittersons** at the pool, and on our one tennis outing at Army-Navy we saw the **Mizells. Charlie** was deeply involved in honchoing the over-70 tennis tournament for some mighty spry old guys from all over the country. **Bill & Helen** won't make the mini because of an interim trip to Reno and Yosemite with family.

And now for those blessed types known as correspondents!

Charlie Mizell remembered his old training well enough to write me to help share the blame as he, **Jeff Davis** and **Jack Watson** labored to revise the Class Constitution, otherwise known as **Plott's** Parliamentary Prescription. The deed has since been done, and youse may have a copy of this collector's item by writing to **George Allin!** Charlie also demonstrated his leadership by getting Jeff to volunteer to be the Class Historian. **Lee** finds enough customers to keep her at the easel, while Charlie has undertaken to learn to play golf, despite his back problems.

A note from our old Ordnance P, Bill McCulla. They'd been wearing out their Eastern "Old Fuds Passport" and stopped at Ft. Ritchie for a wedding. The bride was **Ink Gates'** niece; Ink was in attendance and Bill and Ink had old home week.

Wyley Baxter spent a bunch of money to send me a spare copy of Threads of Grey '72 but didn't send a speck of news. Fie and for shame!

George Allin has completed his travel agent's course, under great pressure to get the same grades he used to expect of the kids! No job yet, as he was off to Europe for the month of Sep. He'd been golfing with

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John Reid, Ed Farrington, Sam Gustaves, John Sheffey and **Rip Young** at various times, apparently paying for the privilege! A card today says that young George and family had joined him at son Tom's chateau outside of Versailles for Labor Day weekend, that after 9 days in France he'd been in London for 4 and then to Devon. If your Christmas News Letter never shows, it's because he's still in Britain. The air charter that the travel agent was booked on to come home went broke, and he was to be waiting on standby!

An especially nice note from **Ann Howe.** She was so thankful to all of you for your notes, snapshots and all-out support. She wrote that **Chuck** died peacefully at home, with her and son Dale at his side. A tip of the white hat to all of you who responded. And do keep in touch, Ann.

1942: You don't **need** your blankie, George!

Pierce Doyle picked a quiet 4 July to send some news. **Alice** had had a total hip replacement on 9 March. On 13 May they judged a rose show in CA as a trial run, and on the 28th they were off to join the AOG Rhine tour. Some incentive to get mobile! From Chicago to Frankfurt to Zurich to Interlaken where the AOG hosted a cocktail party to coincide with the Doyle's 42nd wedding anniversary! The pleasures provided by the excellent side trips, the amenities and the crew were heightened by the fact that included in the group were **Bill & Gloria Hamilton** and **Bill & Mary Ann Harrell!** How 'bout that! Three days in Amsterdam concluded a most enjoyable experience.

Fran Roberts continues to aid and abet with his letters. Along with an invite to us to enjoy the pleasures of Pinehurst was a commendation for **John & Ann Murphy** for their great job on the latest golf gaggle. After that tester, Fran and **Polly** spent some time with daughter Murray in San Antone and then took in the Fair at New Orleans, which they found to be a winner. Fran was then off to NYMA graduation and two US senior tournaments. Polly joined for a short culture course at Harvard and to DC for TROA meetings. Mrs. Prickett had been with them and was just getting the hang of caddying (according to Fran) when she went home to rest up!

Jeff Davis sent a list of his self-imposed tasks as the **real** Class Historian. He's most enthusiastic, and if you have pertinent items that you couldn't bear to throw away but didn't know what to do with, Jeff's your man. Two items on his agenda—to urge everyone to prepare the basics of his own obit and send it to the AOG, as well as to sweet talk **Dick Horridge** into volunteering his mind and body for the 50th Anniversary Threads of Grey.

And speaking of the **Horridges, Claire** wrote that her older brother had died suddenly just after they returned from the Texas golf outing. On the bright side, they're really enjoying having Nicki and Bob Seger at USMA where he's TAC of the 1st Rgt. With apple harvest upon them, we know how they'll be spending the next few weeks!

A long, welcome letter from **Bobbie Offley.** Spain and their 3 weeks in England were super—whatelse?!?!—but Space A has lost its luster after 5 days at Dover and then to Frankfurt, muchas pesetas from Spain! Friends from Spain had visited them in Yuba City, as did the **Ulsakers** and **Bob's** sister Peggy. They've been traveling locally—San Fran, the wine country, Tahoe, etc. **Colladays** were to visit, and my spies have since advised that it was disastrous for all! They've added to their pool deck and put in a comfort station. **Butch** is scheduled for an operation in late Oct to correct the contraction of his right hand. Says it doesn't affect his tennis—or anything else—but would be expected to later.

Happy to have a card announcing that on 16 Oct, **Betty & Pat Williams** move to 1401 Alanton Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Ph (804)496-0975. Happy because Montpelier never seemed to be so invitingly close to our beaten path! Three of their five live in Va Beach, excuse enough for the move.

Bill & Mary Gernert went to Bowling Green for his 50th High School Reunion. Says he was identified as "the elderly gentleman with the white hair" but that he and his elderly friends enjoyed! Then reuned with his WWII Bomb Group in St. Louis. (Finally dried out in Junction City on the way home). Two trips East on business—if you call picking up a used Mercedes 450 SEL "business"! Young Bill is sporting his eagles as commander at Hanscom AFB. Other kids and families from Plano, TX to Monument, CO to the Pentagon.

Jean Hughes pleasured me with a newsy note. The bad news was that George joined the coronary club in May. The good news is that he was up to an R&R at **Bob & Hancel Evans'** cottage. **That** indicates some recovery! A scheduled rendezvous in Maine with the **Andersons** had to be scratched when **Lib** was nominated for unexpected surgery. She's doing fine. Lib and **Andy** had been down in the spring for a B Co Reunion with the Hughes, the **Shedds** and the **Wards. Maffrys** also visited later.

A note from AMAA advising that Mike **Moran,** son of our **John** and one of the first Class sons to graduate, recently lost his wife. I believe he's still in the New Orleans area.

The annual picnic at the **Cockrells** enjoyed perfect weather and an attendance in excess of 50, to include **Ginger & Ec Cutler. Jeff's** video and **Westy's** slides provided the entertainment. **Jack Watson** says it was all truly outstanding.

John Reid had been thoughtful enough to read me into the saga of **Allen Lawler's** Class ring. Al was MIA after a P-40 mission over N. Burma just over 40 years ago. In '63, a US agricultural attache found Al's ring in the hands of a N. Burma jade dealer who insisted on negotiating with a family member for its sale. A year's correspondence was fruitless, and the dealer disappeared. In June '84, the air attache in Singapore wrote to the AOG that he had met a man who had bought a West Point Class ring (Al's) in a Bangkok junk shop and would donate it to any surviving family member. Morrie Herbert noted **John Reid's** name in Al's obit in ASSEMBLY and got him into the act. The lawyer who handled the estates of Al's parents was located and Al's cousin was brought into the picture. It is her expressed wish that Al's ring go to the Academy, and John is now waiting for the conclusion of this strange saga.

Crit Crittenberger has been elected to the NAUS Board of Directors, taking **Dan Raymond's** place. **Andy Low** is noted as a contributor to their Booster Club.

We'd been home from our trip for just one hour when **John Westenhoff** called to get a plug in for the Wives and Kids Class Luncheon on 27 Dec. All of you in DC are urged to rack your brains to turn up any kids in the area—and urge the widows, et al, to join the fun.

Vegas is much on the mind as we look two weeks ahead to that frolic. There 64 of us signed up at the last report, representing 124 potential winners. Whether or not I'm one of them, I'll try to remember to take notes.

In closing, I note the hazards of appointing an eager beaver such as **Jeff Davis** as the Historian. He has presented me with a document—the 1st Annual Report of the DC Contingent, Jan '55. **Dick Horridge, Jim Hayes, Lee Stann** and I dragooned **Bill Plott** into our committee, appointed to form a local organization. As previously noted, Bill wrote the magic words of that document. In '54 we planned three dinner dances, bowling, golf and fishing parties, a picnic and an Army-Navy TV buffet! Overachievers, weren't we! Parties with Navy '42 and our immediate USMAY classes were recommended. We've forgotten that and should reconsider. Also recommended were occasional luncheon photos. We haven't had one of those for quite a spell. And the Secretary was noted then—as now—as the hardest working officer!

1942: Andy got the joke; George, Al, and Bill didn't!

And now a phone call from the **Gernerts** reporting their attendance, along with the **Garvins** and **Ray Murphys,** at a party at the **Connollys.** On the serious side, word that Ray Murphy had been up in Montana doing some chores at the ranch, alone, when he suffered a heart attack and had to drive himself 50 miles for assistance. He's home in CO Springs now, debating as to whether or not to have bypass surgery. Also clouding the horizon is the recent operation on the Generts' daughter Debbie for a brain tumor. The operation went well, but the residual effects are as yet unknown.

With thanks to all who contributed so much to this and best wishes for an especially joyful Christmas and Happy New Year—all in good time after we beat Navy!!!

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Well now, have you made your plans to attend our upcoming mini-reunion in San Diego, CA on 25-27 Jan 1985? If not, **Jim Aleveras, Bob Lacy** and our West Coast clan would like to know "why not?" Perhaps you haven't received a flyer from Jim and Bob—in which case, write or call Jim at 2091 Ventana Way, El Cajon, CA 92020 (tel: 619-562-4473). According to Jim, this mini-reunion "will be bigger and better with two gala entertainment programs and a host of local attractions." The **Bargers** and **Bradys** will coordinate hospitality activities at the Seapoint Hotel. Well, what are you waiting for—let's move it!

Jan '43: The Starnes and the Bennetts in South Africa

Now then, let's get back to the adventures of one **Pappy Doyle** who, as I indicated in our last column, has finally been credited with downing COL Walter Oesau (the Luftwaffe's Nr. 3 ace with 150 aerial victories) on 11 May 1944. According to Pappy, "he fired at the leader of an ME-109 flight on the afternoon of 11 May 1944, but because the ME-109 did not blow up or burn, he made no official claim—but he did have his film processed. The film showed hits behind the engine and in the cockpit area, and the Germans concluded that Oesau had been killed by fragments from a high-explosive shell, such as the 20 mm cannon that Pappy had fired at the aircraft." So, some 40 years later, history appears to have caught up with Pappy.

Jan '43: The Rebhs at the Imperial Palace, Tokyo

But, true to form, Pappy turned history back some 40 years when he and **Jane** revisited Saint-Lo, France on 6 Jun, and returned a silver rosary which he had found in the rubble of the Cathedral of Notre-Dame in Saint-Lo in Aug 1944. "Le Journal De Saint-Lo" had an article with a photo of Pappy returning the rosary to Father DeLaune, the sr priest of the Cathedral. Incidentally, Pappy also entered Paris on the day that it was liberated (25 Aug 1944) riding on the lead tank of the 2nd French Arm Div as a forward air controller. Although I'll have some more about the "trials and tribulations" of Pappy & Jane abroad in the next edition of our column, suffice to say that Pappy's chiropractor has been busy getting him back in shape since he returned last Jun.

It would appear that we've reached that "let's-pack-our-bags-and-go" stage of life, because everyone seems to be coming or going—for example,

• **John/Irene Norris** just returned from a 3-week trip to the Far East. As John explains, "the main object of our trip was to visit China where our son, John, is serving as a FSO in the Political Section at the American Embassy in Beijing. On the way over, however, we spent 3 delightful days in Tokyo at the New Sanno Hotel (operated by our own US Navy) with a one-day excursion to Nikko and the Toshogu Shrine. Upon our arrival in Beijing on 31 Aug, we celebrated Irene's birthday with dinner at the Great Wall Hotel, where Pres Reagan gave his dinner for the Chinese during his visit to China. We were fortunate to have beautiful weather for our 5 days in Beijing and for visiting the Forbidden City, the Temple of Heaven and the Summer Palace. Undoubtedly, the highlight of our trip was our visit to the Great Wall at Badaling. Enroute, we enjoyed

Jan '43: The Brenning Waters in Palo Alto, CA

a picnic lunch at the Ming Tombs. From Beijing, we visited the life-size terra cotta figures which guard the Qin Emperor tomb near Xian; took a boat trip down the Hangzhou River from Shanghai to the Yangtze; saw the Grand Canal and Gardens at Souzhou; had a boat ride on the West Lake at Hangzhou and another down the Li River through the limestone peaks at Guilin; and enjoyed the view from our hotel on the Pearl River at Guangzhou (Canton). Then, it was on to Hong Kong for shopping and home with a good case of jet lag. It was a great trip, and we felt very secure because our guide (son John) speaks fluent Chinese."

• **Adrian St. John** enjoyed a 10-day "getaway vacation" on the Greek isls of Mikonos and Delos just after the summer recess of MBFR negotiations in Vienna. According to the Saint, "the sun was mighty hot, but the constant breeze kept me cool." Now he's planning a "getaway vacation in Europe during each recess."

• **John/Jane Baer** visited John's sister in Cottonwood, ID, and, while in the area, visited the **Britt Mays** in Boise, the **Muldrows** in Salt Lake City, and the **Kyles** in Ogden.

• **Bob/Ruth Cook** departed for an extended (2-mo) trip to Ireland, London, Paris, Germany, Vienna and Budapest via airlines, Eurorail and friends' automobiles on 4 Oct. During this trip, Bob has been invited to a most unusual get-together with 3 former German Army officers who were his opponents during the Battle of the Bulge in WWII and one of whom wounded him.

Jan '43: "Jacques" Wood and son at plaque commemorating the liberation of Constances, France by Jacques's father.

• **Bob/Barbara Fiss** visited Norway, Paris and Toulouse, France in connection with Bob's NATO affairs.

• **Ed/Dottie Bennett** departed on 10 Oct for a 2-week trip to Bucharest, Rumania (where they'll visit Frank Mastro '57 and longtime hunting partner, who is with the US Embassy) and then to Helsinki, Finland, where they'll visit their granddaughter, Barry (who is a high-school exchange student) and take an excursion to Leningrad.

• **Darrie/Pat Richards** also departed on 10 Oct for a tour of South Africa—including a trip on one of the legendary trains of the world (the Blue Train), complete with their own private bath.

• **Frank/Arlene Camm** during their trip to the West Coast this past summer, had lunch with the **Hahns** in Denver; had cocktails with **Brenning/Judy Waters** in Palo Alto, CA; talked with **Tom Harrison** in Albuquerque, NM; but missed the **McGoughs**, at their "adobe hacienda" in Placitas, NM because they were at their summer home in MN. Incidentally, the **McGoughs** also spent 3 weeks in China during the month of Jun—it really seems to be "the place to go." According to Frank Camm, the Hahns were recently honored by being selected to be honorary members of the American Bible Society. As for Brenning Waters, he is very active as a consultant in the computer field, and Tom Harrison is working mostly at home while undergoing treatment for a bone in-

Jan '43: Dottie Bennett, Ed Sheley, Jean Johnson, and Pappy Wilkes in Arlington, VA

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fection. In Oct, the Camms journeyed to Hilton Head, SC, to attend a reunion of Frank's former classmates in the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School.

Jan '43: Upchurch and Hamilton in Orlando, FL

• **Jan Pritchett** made another trip to Israel and Jordan this summer—partially in connection with her travel business. Later, on 20 Jul, **Harry** underwent surgery at WRAMC to remove a bone spur on his spine, but is still havig some discomfort which we hope will soon disappear.

Now, where have all the rest of you been traveling?

Hearty congratulations are in order for **Frank Shaw** who is back in the Pentagon for his "4th tour"—this time as the Intel Officer for General Purpose Forces and the MBFR in the DIA. Also to be congratulated among our "younger set" are

• **John/Emily Raaens'** daughter, Sandra Lee, who was crowned as FL's Miss T.E.E.N. (Teen-Agers Encouraging Excellence Nationally) in Orlando on 11 Aug. Candidates in this contest are judged by a panel of educators, business and professional people on the basis of personality, civic involvement, scholastic achievement, general appearance and speech or talent. Sandra not only maintains a 4.0 grade point average at Winter Park High School, but also plays Chopin, serves as a volunteer for such organizations as the American Cancer Society and the Orange County Association for Retarded Citizens, and is most attractive. She'll be traveling to Albuquerque, NM with family and friends to compete in the National Pageant on 21-25 Nov—we all wish her the best of luck. Meanwhile, father John serves as the Chmn of Apopka's Code Enforcement Bd and is doing a lot of volunteer work for the Episcopal Diocese of Central FL. The Raaens are expecting their fifth grandchild in Dec.

Jan '43: The Bullards, Orlando, FL

• John Van Duyn, Jr. had his "eagles pinned on his shoulders" by father **John** and John Jr's wife, Donna, at ICAF here in Washington, DC on 1 Sep. John Jr. is a 1966 graduate of USAFA and may be our first Class son to be wearing eagles—are there any challengers?

• Jim Seith is attending the NWC (as his father, **Ted**, did in 1961)—which may be another first among our Class sons.

• Robert **Muldrow** (USAFA 1967 and son of **Bob/Marie**) is attending ICAF.

• Michael King (son of **Fred/Helen**) with his wife Sue made the **Kings** grandparents for the first time on 14 Sept in Baltimore, MD—it was a boy, Eric Michael King.

Jan '43: Harrington and Shaffer at the ANCC

And speaking of AF Class sons, **Tote Talbott's** son (Carlos, Jr) is a LTC selectee and instructor at AFIT, Wright-Patterson AFB, while the **B-Ball Harringtons'** brood of eagles are currently stationed at Shaw AFB (where Richard has just joined an F-16 wing), Nellis AFB (where Charles is involved in aircraft testing) and McGuire AFB (where young Doug is flying C-141s). Incidentally, B-Ball was back on TV (Channel 9) the other night (19 Sep) for an impromptu interview on the Washington Metro System.

Jan '43: J. J. Cobb and wild boar, Orlando, FL

According to **Barbara Barger** on the West Coast, they've had a busy summer with the Olympics and houseguests—but when Northrop closed for 2 weeks during the Olympics, they slipped out of town to visit the Sequoia and Yosemite National Forests, Lake Tahoe, and Pebble Beach/Monterey. Unfortunately, Barbara had a "golf elbow" and had to ride the cart rather than "swing the clubs" with **Dave.** Barbara also called my attention to the "gung-ho, blood-and-guts" article about **Dopey Dulaney** in the D-Day (June 11) issue of **Newsweek**—a real hero there!

Buck Stahle's into a new fund-raising project for the Hanover-Adams Rehabilitation and Training Center not far from Gettysburg, PA. According to Buck, this Center trains retarded people so that they can go out on their own in society and work—he's mighty proud of their accomplishments.

As fall arrived in Washington, DC with welcome subnormal temperatures, 10 stalwart members of the Class and their wives joined members of the WP Society of DC for the Society's annual dinner-dance in the Crystal Ballroom at the Ft McNair O Club on the evening of 29 Sep. The 20 of us who were present for this gala occasion included the **Jack Armstrongs, Bennetts, Bensons, Camms** (with Frank "wearing 2 hats"—one as Pres of the Society and the other as our own Class Pres), **Harringtons, Mincklers, Norrises, Rebhs,** and **Jack Woods.** During the course of the evening, we were not only royally entertained by the Army Chorale (10 men and women of the US Army Band with marvelous voices) with a sparkling repetoire of Broadway and other rousing songs, but also took to the dance floor to enjoy the great music of an "especially selected combo." As **Nancy Benson** later remarked "I danced so hard, my legs and hips ached the next day" —old "Joe twinkletoes" was at his best.

In closing, the Class wished to express its deepest sympathies to

Jan '43: Doran, Davenport, Huntley, Grimm, and Henry at the ANCC

• **Ruth Wade,** whose husband (and our classmate) **Bill,** died of a heart attack in Columbia, SC on 14 Aug 1984. After a funeral service at Ft Jackson SC, Bill was buried in the cemetery at WP on 17 Aug.

• **Charles/Margaret Heltzel,** whose daughter, Sandra (known to all of us as Sandy) Leigh Phelps, died in Lanham, MD on 27 Sep 1984 at the age of 34. A memorial service was conducted for Sandy on 30 Sep in the old (George Washington's) Falls Church, Falls Church, VA, where she had been married to Tom Phelps. We will always remember Sandy for her courage and spirit, despite the knowledge that her days were numbered from the very beginning.

• **Darrie Richards,** whose father, George J. (USMA 1915 and MG, USA CE, ret) died in a nursing home in PA on 1 Oct at the age of 93. A memorial service was conducted at the Ft Myer Chapel adjoining Arlington Cemetery on 5 Oct.

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The past 3 mos have been filled with activity, but they also brought sad news which must be addressed. I received a letter from LTC Louis Davis '68 relating the details of his father's and our classmate's death: **Jack T. Davis** who subsequent to his AF service undertook teaching at the Business Sch of the UGA. He suffered a massive cerebral hemorrhage while playing golf 8

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Aug. As Louis put it, "his death was swift and merciful, and he passed away as he would have wished, enjoying one of his favorite pastimes."

Jun '43: Walker giving Mini Fund surplus to Hogan

Jack Rawlings called me one evening from NM with the sad news that **Don Dargue's** wife, **Garnet,** had died. Don himself filled me in on the details, which were that on 4 Jul she had complained of a terrible headache then lapsed into a coma. Don called the paramedics who rushed her to a hospital where she was diagnosed as having suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. She had two more such trauma before succumbing on 12 Aug. Their dau and only child, Marilyn, returned from Bangkok where she lived with her Thai husband. Father and dau comforted each other through a very trying experience. Garnet was cremated and will be interred 19 Oct in the same Arlington plot as Don's parents. Don continued that fate had intervened in their plans to move back to New England, and as of this writing his plans have not jelled.

Jun '43: Walkers, Hogans, and Cobe Hurley in Copenhagen, Aug 84.

To set things aright I have received a nice but heart-wrenching letter from **Antoinette Burdett** with the intimate details of the untimely loss of her dau Margaret. Although Margaret was a special ed teacher at Ft Rucker, her husband, Steve Clouse, was not in the service as I had reported but in the oil business with his father. Margaret was legally passing a school bus that was turning off the road she was on and was struck along the driver's side by an Army 2½ ton truck, which totally demolished her car. Although she was revived briefly, she had suffered irreparable brain damage and died the day following the accident. She is survived by Antoinette, her husband Steve, and three brothers, one of whom serves in the Army in Germany. **Arch Hamblen** provided much help as a close friend of the family. And as Antoinette said in her letter, she and Steve are very close and helping each other, albeit with broken hearts.

The final details on **Jim Harrold's** untimely passing were sent to me by **Ed Renth** and **Rip Collins** who along with **Ernie Hinds, Craig Teller, Fletcher Veatch** and **Fergie Knowles** attended his funeral at Ft Sam Houston. As you know he and **Kaye** maintained the two homes they owned before their marriage, and he was enroute to the FL home to join Kaye when he died overnight in his motel in Lafayette, LA. Ultimate cause of death was not known. For the loved ones of those who have left us we offer our thoughts and prayers and hopes that time will heal the loss but keep green the memory.

Cajun Pavy, writing from Poughkeepsie, NY stated that he had talked to **Leo & Dottie Hayes** in Cos Cob, CT where Leo still teaches a gentleman's brand of tennis (not the McEnroe version). He also talked with **Geo & Helen Betts** in Lee's Summit, MO and relates that Geo after having had a hip replacement is getting around well but has retired from teaching. Cajun says he has one more year to go before he quits the halls of academe. Further, his and Doris' 3 kids are educated and married: Michelle is a teacher and computer sch owner, while one son is a doctor, the other a dentist. He and Leo make all the Army home football games.

In Jul I got a note from **Grumpy Steele** from faroff England and who like **Craig Teller** is into oil painting. His news was to forecast a one-man showing of his works in a law firm's office just a step away from the old Beanie Millard Sch for Wayward Boys and WP Aspirants. Through the good offices of the **Surkamps** (who provided the crowd) and **Bob Mathe** who provided the voice the announcement was made at the Bash. Grumpy was in attendance for local color. A nice note from **Barbara S.** passed on this information as well as the details of who, what, and where. Lovely Nikki was there with her father, Nedgley and a cast of thousands. She also said that son-in-law Donald Rowe has landed the job of Asst Mgr of Dallas' Travelers Ins and that she and Art may visit Big D to see her grandchild. She closed by saying Art was horsebacking it while she was heading for the "Try Again Shop" as Art calls the Beauty Parlour.

Comes knocking at my mailbox one seafarer **Bob deCamp** of Jack Knife Point off Barley Neck seeking mini-reunion info which he (and you all) should have by now. He and **Carol** had just returned from an extended recce of the Brit Isles, which took them through Devon, Cornwall, Somerset, Surrey, Scotland (Edinburgh, or Auld Reekie), the Welsh Highlands and on to a place called Oban. They used this as a base while taking water passage through the Islands of Mull, Skye (Clan Donald), Iona and Arran. A return trip through the cotswolds to "Lunnon" before concluding the Grand Tour sailing in the Channel and around the Isle of Wight (where widgets come from). The Englishers even joined them in a chorus of "Yankee Doodle" on the Jul 4. Aside from 2 new grandkids and one more due in Sept (total 11) they didn't have much to talk about. Those who haven't seen them for awhile will find them at the A-N game, no doubt sporting new tweeds.

Dutch Umlauf slipped a clipping to a passing carrier pigeon which informs one and all that our own **Bill Malone's** average home sales have dropped because he is so busy accepting awards for how good he is. This time it was an induction into the Nat'l Assn of Realtors fraternity Omega Tau Rho. A gentle reminder that each of us shines in his own way. Plaudits of the multitude from the Class and a Tip of the Tarbucket from me.

Jim Walker has become a prolific and most welcome contributor to this column. Jim wrote up and forwarded to ASSEMBLY the account of the FL mini and found out like I do that sometimes, inadvertently, we miss a crucial detail. He wants to be sure that all are aware of the superb job done by **Barbara & Jocko Loughman** in running the self-help bar in the Hospitality Suite. The total absence of complaints speaks eloquently. Jim went on to point out that after all the dust had settled and bills paid the Class was richer by $385, which same was forwarded in person to **Lee Hogan** for an addition to the Mem Gate Fund. Nice thinking, that! Jim and **Jane** took part in the Elderhosteling program which took them to Appalachian St. U in NC for a week of college refresher, relations and sports (in and outdoor). They went with a couple from Jan '43 and had the chance to enjoy **Marge & John Bowley's** hospitality in Linville, NC. Jim's next letter came in early Sep to report on the Scandinavian voyage of the **Walkers** and **Hogans** or what turned out to be the Saga of **Cobe Hurley.** Cobe had planned and then declined passage with the two couples, but then rethought it would be fun to surprise them en route. She wangled a flight on Brit Airways to London, boarded ship, and even got the purser to seat her (unbeknownst) with the earlier travelers. Her great surprise was foiled when the speaker called "Mrs. Jean Hurley to the Purser's Office." The others rushed the office only to be told that no one by that name was on the manifest until he flashed her passport pic! Cobe meanwhile was laying into somebody for spoiling her surprise. Onward and upward with our jet set. The photo shows the re-joined group in Copenhagen but they also hit Helsinki, Stockholm, Gothenburg, Bergen, Amsterdam and Leningrad. They also ran into an ex-classmate, Homer "Pete" Pettit to confirm that it is indeed a small world.

Jun '43: Bower, Hudson, Moore and Watkins

And now to our man in the Coliseum, **Dave Galas,** for a run-down on the Summer Olympics. **Kaye** and Dave made the opening ceremonies, which they considered a most stirring and emotional affair; and later Dave took a grandson to some of the track and field events. In between they varied TV monitoring with some live watching of tennis, field hockey and best of all seeing the Olympic Torch carried by only two blocks from their house. He enclosed a nice clipping of a column of one Jim Murray who echoed most American and other competitor feelings

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after the closing ceremony. Among many fine quotes, his final one was, "They doused the LA Olympic flame at 9:30 but where it glows in a nation's heart it can never go out. The Games went out as they had come in—on a note of joy and hope and promise. America gave a party and the world came—the ones you want at your party anyway. The world's Olympians. Victors all."

A recent note from my down Interstate neighbor **Bill Moore** to tell me that he, **Tid Watkins, Jim Bower** and **Lee Hudson** (in from McAllen) gathered together for a convulsive swat at a Titleist or Pro-Staff, but he forgot to put in the scorecard. In the very next line he says come play with us and bring money. Banditry hasn't died out yet in Texas. Tid helps his son animating graphics (magic lantern stuff); Jim is in business with McKee Constr and Lee recently retired from McAllen City govt, probably to practice golf, or he would never be able to swim with those sharks. Bill himself has a business called The Tool Box with a small flotilla of, believe it or not, black, gold and gray trucks!

By now all will have received Lee's letter with the up-to-date information about the Mem Gate Project, so I will not rehash it except to add that the major accomplishment to date was done by slightly more than half of our class; everyone has been given the opportunity to contribute and should at least advise the committee of their intentions even if it be not to give a dime. I said before that if you have a personal feeling against the project or a general grievance against West Point that's preventing you from contributing then air it to Lee, to the Committee, or to me, but in any event stand up and be counted. Contributor or not, we are all stockholders. Nuff sed. Dan'l Flannel

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Ah, wistful days; summer slips away. The sumac is the point, red maple is the recce platoon, followed by the rear guard of Norways and noisy cottonwoods. Prancing majestically behind, ignoring the calendar, are the beech, elm and imperious oaks, as yet unwilling to acknowledge the thrust and chill of autumn. Apples, pears and leaves ripen; bees, squirrels and we—all line their nests for winter.

In a modern state of post-reunion shock, **Al Wald** reports. He's writing his father's bio (WWI battlefield commission after 10 years in the ranks), and the story of his brother, Walt ('40, who died from American torpedoes after 3 years as POW in Davao, PI). Presently apartment-crouching and house-hunting in San Diego, Sir Alvin Forest (as we Anglicise him for now) spoke most kindly of the efforts of our Reunion Board, which proved to be some better than long, wooden and narrow in putting out the reunion plans. Al saw **Hank Aurand** who is tapping on submarine hulls as an Untersee-Kriegs expert for GE. My own private supply of Rustoleum is reserved for Iron Man Wald. May he never rust!

Happy Note: **Fred & Kitty Smith** announce the marriage of their daughter, CPT (USA) Carolyn to CPT (USA) Ralph Henry **Graves** on 25 Aug 1984 in Baltimore. Quite a catch: new son-in-law plus **Nancy** and **Ernie** as co-candidates for grandparenthood—an exalted state in which idle spectators take unwarranted credit for the contributions of the over-worked, reaping dividends long after active investment ends. The Graves get some mighty fine in-laws, too!

1944: Blue Ridge Williamsburg by hand (Jim White's)

Dick Creed kindly sent an item from the **Wall Street Journal**—endorsed by **Bob Ginsburgh**—telling how **Chan Gilson** took the IRS to Tax Court and won. Having been there too, but at IRS insistance, I perhaps should have engaged Chan's lawyer (or had a better case) to reach a like result. Good on ya, Chan!

Our Florida anchor, **Les Hendrickson,** writes to tell of a month's sojourn with **Martha** and their 45th reunion high school classmates from IN to the Great Northwest and Canada. Enroute the starting line, Les & Martha visited **Spike & Patty Geltz** in TN, where Spike won Les's allowance at golf. Spike and his old dog exchanged bites recently and accompanied each other to the hospital. The Hendricksons week-ended with **Marge & Bill Marks** in Aug in St. Pete along with the **McKeevers. DeArment** pressed his luck on the links; **Gerry Mickle** joined. The Marks were just out of intensive care after a visit by **Pat & Bill Courtney** the week before.

Bob Day recently encountered **Barbara Glick** at a ceremony in Portsmouth, RI. Barbara's address is 4530 132d S.E., Bellevue, WA 98006. We welcome this opportunity to keep in touch with **Gregg's** family and memory. The **Sellers** have made contact in Bellevue.

1944: Patton, looking fierce at skeet.

For you gravel-agitators, **Jim Connell** forwarded a poopsheet on the Army Retirement Residence Foundation—Potomac, POB 226, Mt. Vernon, VA 22121. This commercial is limited to pointing out that the endeavor is a resounding success: within six weeks of its announcement, 622 applicants became charter members. A 107-acre campus adjoining Ft Belvoir will include 300+ apartments/cottages, plus health, recreation and other facilities. The enterprise is deep in '44: **Ott,** 1st VP; **Cowherd,** Sec; **Connell,** Bd Member; **Blanchard,** Adv Bd. The Air Force is carefully following this activity, as in any combat theater, waiting for the Army to clear away mine-fields, obstacles and snipers. And as usual, our sincere respect and thanks.

Thanks, **Jim Bandy,** for your contribution!

With keen regret we learn of the death in Sept of **MaryGene Giles. Jim** sends thanks to all for their welcome and courtesies to MaryGene at Reunion, to which she brought grace and took away good memories. Please accept our sincere condolences, Jim and family.

1944: Morrison at horseshoes (or ballet).

On 8 Sept, the gang enjoyed the hospitality and food of a Carolina pig barbeque at the **Whites'** in the Virginia highlands. It was a halcyon day, one that only travel agents or 19th century maiden novelists would dare describe. Off a freeway, through 14 miles of corn, copse and country homes to a Williamsburg house set down by the Wizard of Oz (Jim White, himself) on a fold of the Blue Ridge, backlighted by three tones of mountains and a freshly washed sky. Horseshoes, a two-hole golf course and a skeet range contrived to keep old duffers and court-house loafers out of the Colonial kitchen for an hour or so. I spotted several ringers to beware of at golf, a couple at horseshoes, but few at skeet. Most of those guys I would assign to MAAG-Russia as AAA instructors! The barbeque was excellent but couldn't compare with the hospitality, with the exquisite Williamsburg architecture executed in exact detail, nor the view! A perfect site for Psalm 121. And true, the event was made more by those on the chairs than that on the tables: **Blanchards, Cabiniesses, Clevelands, Connell, Cowherds, Cutrona** and friend, **Dunns, Graveses, Gruenthers** and daughter, **Kinnards, McGuires, Morrisons, Ott, Patton,** the **Carl Petersons, Schardts,** the **Lee Smiths, Sullivans, Tkaciks, Vitullos, Youngs** (Newport News) and the hosts, **Jim & Miriam White.**

1944: Dunn, slicing.

The photos are by the roommate of our class athlete, **Joyce Ott.** He now calls himself the Class Athletic Supporter—a title with heavy responsibilities from which all inferences should be delicately drawn.

Clarence (Wolf) Wolfinger died on the

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night of 1-2 Oct 1984 at his home on Fripp Island, SC and was buried at WP on 9 Oct. All of us share Suzy's feeling of loss and extend to her our sincere condolences.

It is now three hours until deadline; my typist is away supervising furniture climbing and bug-tasting by twin grandchildren. I took high-school typing because of Miss Kohler's bosom and never really got the touch. Left alone, I may get this typed by Christmas. Therefore, bless you, one and all, GSOYP, A!

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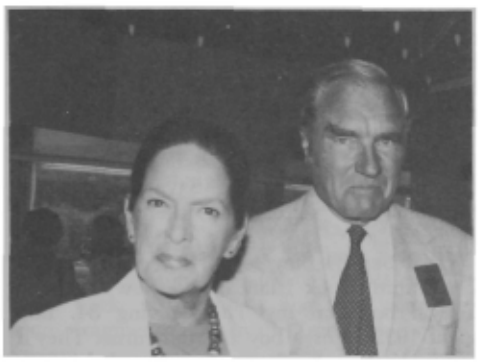
Nancy & Mack McGovern had **Pops & Maura** for a visit in June at their place in the SF Bay area. The **McNiels** were visiting in Atherton to celebrate their daughter Bridget's being awarded a Master's Degree in Business at Stanford. Nancy mentioned that I had misspelled the **McNiel** name in the June issue. I apologize for that. Names need to be spelled correctly, and it's particularly frustrating when you can't find a friend in a phone book because you're looking for it at the wrong place.



1945: *The Summers on "Passage of the Czars" tour, Sept 84.*

Pops sent a copy of a **USA Today** article on the 6 Aug stock market rally. It quoted **Ted Halligan** as an authoritative source who said: "We have proven low inflation, strong earnings, and a climate that encourages entrepreneurism and investment. This is the basis for believing that the rally will run long term." Pops says that Ted decided 20 years ago to specialize in institutional trades, has earned a lot of money, and shares it with the West Point Fund and the AAA. His wife, **Irene,** is Chmn of Reagan-Bush Campaign for the Borough of Manhattan.

1945: The Macintires and Jernigans

Other news in **Pops'** letter: **Joe McCaddon** had 3 heart attacks in May in Saudi Arabia. He is managing dir for Rockwell International. He had a quadruple bypass in Dallas and was out of the hosp in 4½ days. Rockwell is moving the div that he heads from Pittsburgh to Dallas for Joe's convenience!

Ed Rafalko's wife, **Renee,** and their 5 children gave a 60th birthday party for Ed at one of Dallas' fine clubs on 4 Aug. Attending were **John & Sarah Reuler, Grady & Jim Shilstone, Joe & Peg McCaddon, Bob & Nancy Mackinnon,** and **Tom & Maura McNeil.**

1945: Bridget and Tom McNiel

Pops wrote me in Aug that **Jim Neal** was a delegate (and a national committeeman) from IN at the Republican Convention. On 22 Aug, **John & Sarah Reuler** hosted a luncheon for Jim and his wife, **Georgianne,** at Mozart's restaurant there in Dallas. Other guests were **Ed & Renee Rafalko, Joe & Peg McCaddon,** and **Tom & Maura McNiel.**

The 10 Sep issue of **Forbes** had a feature article on **Jack Bowen.** It described how Jack had managed the transition from a natural gas shortage to surplus during the past decade for his company, Transco. At the same time he fended off corporate takeover attempts by keeping the stockholders happy.

1945: Muir '39, Morris and McCunniff in Ireland.

Peg Fink wrote that their daughter Sara's wedding was really beautiful. There were about 150 guests. The **Ochs, Hankets,** and **Marty Allen** came from the DC area and the **Schelters** from the local Richmond area joined them to make up the '45 contingent at the wedding. **Dave** continues with VA Commonwealth government, says he plans to retire in a couple more years, but Peg says she'll believe it when it happens.

Rock McBride called and **Jim Edwards** sent me some clippings concerning **Bill Glynn's** death on 5 Aug. Bill had been a 2-term mayor of Hartford and was a member of a law firm there. He was eulogized in the Hartford **Courant** editorial as a "gentleman in politics." **Jim Elkey** passed on the information to me that **Ken Werner** died in Chesterfield, MO on 3 Aug, that **Dick Moore's** wife, **Peggy,** died and had been buried at West Point, and that he had had a delayed report that **Bill Barnes'** wife, **Jo,** died on 30 Dec of "Lou Gehrig's" disease. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Bill, Dick, **Jacque Glynn,** and **Edith Werner** and their family members.

1945: The Hoges with Class sons and wives: Carley, St. Onge, Arnold.

George Hoge wrote that he and **Skip** had a lot of fun meeting some classmates' sons and wives at a picnic. The sons were students at the '83-'84 CG&S class. They were John Carley (Stetson U.), Bob St. Onge '69, and Arch Arnold '71. Carley and St. Onge are staying on at Ft Leavenworth as staff members. They are to be joined this year by another class son, Jim Holcomb '72 who is a student in the '84-'85 class. George said that they went east in July to visit their kids and made the annual class picnic at **George Daoust's** home on 15 Jul which was a very fine affair.

1945: The Hunts, Stumpes, and Hankets in Alexandria, VA.

Mary Jane McMurdo ran in the primary election in Sep for the state senate in HI. (At this time I hadn't heard if she won or not.) At any rate, all available classmates and wives stood out at a busy intersection in Honolulu at rush hour and held up campaign signs. Mick said that the **McMurdos, Stableys,** and **Sawyers** all plan to be at the 40th reunion.

1945: First Class cadets, Sumner 1944, Ft. Benning.

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Big Jim (That's James M.) **Morris** sent me what he termed his "annual report" for **Lee** and him. **Jack Boettcher** and Jim had lunch with **Bud Weaver** who was visiting Ft Benning to see his son who was finishing a course there. Bud looked great. Jim says he has an important staff position involving oil and energy in KS state govt. In Oct '83, Lee & Jim were all set to go Space-A to Spain again when they got the news that their son had been sent to Grenada. So, instead, they zipped back to Fayetteville to check on son's car, refrig and bachelor pad. In May and June of this year they went on a joint venture to Ireland with **Tom & Nina McCunniff** and friends Jimmy & Lucille Muir '39. They rented a cottage in County Clare and motored around the country from there. Later on the 3 couples went different directions with Jim & Lee exploring Dublin, taking the boat to Wales, and then having a quick trip to Chester, England, London, and then home.

They have another grandson courtesy of dau Catherine in Danville, VA. Son Jim is still single—too busy at Bragg, apparently. At their family reunion held at Hilton Head in late June they were fortunate to have his mother there. She's 89 and lives at the Army Distaff home but is still able to drive between DC, KY, and FL several times a year! During an Airborne reunion held in the Ft Benning/Columbus area they had a fine visit from **Hal & Julie Moore** who looked great!

Rolfe Hillman was the one who sent me the historic photos of cadets, Class of '45!

Remember:—40th Reunion—40th Year Book. If you haven't signed up and sent in your deposits, now is the time. Have a very happy holiday season.

'46

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(152) There will be some important Class news to be included in this column. New Class officers have been appointed, selected, or elected and plans are being started for 1986.

I realize you'll read these words in Dec and the football season will be behind us, but at this point in time, it's just started and we are off to a good start. On opening day, as I looked around sec 12 of Michie, I saw the usual stalwart classmates who have been coming year after year in hopes of seeing a winning season. Besides **Ethel** & me these include **Jack & Betty Barth, Phil Frank, Dan & Jeanne Mahony** (back in the East after a year in Ohio), **Tom & Barbara McBryde, John & Bertie Stratis** and **John & Connie Treadwell.** There could have been others, but I did not spot them for the opener.

Charley Daniel, outgoing Class president, mailed the poop concerning our new officers for the period '84-'86. Just for the record, the officers for the most recent period, in addition to Charley, were VP **Hi Heiberg,** Sec **Alex Halls,** Members **Reid Wallis** and **Moe Weber** and Pres Emeritus **Randy Adams.** Now your new officers are Pres **Buck Buckingham,** VP **Hap Hazzard,** Sec **Stan Blum,** members **Bill Schneider** and **Si Hunt,** with of course Charley as Pres Emeritus.

Buck called me to ask if I would continue with this assignment. The answer was yes. The new Class officers are already starting to organize for the big 40th Reunion in '86. They will be assisted by the excellent after-action report prepared by Randy and his crew who ran the 35th. Again we will be housed at the Holidome in Suffern (22-25 May 1986).

Charley reported that the major event during his tenure was the completion in the spring of 1983 of the Class Memorial Park along the river at West Point. The official dedication will take place during the 40th Reunion.

Jim Loome has again been kind enough to send me his Aug mailing to the Washington Chapter of the Class. The list of classmates totals 167, of which 11 are distaff members and 47 are out-of-towners or exurbia members. He reported that the 1983-84 events were well attended with the special event being the brunch and cruise on Captain **Al Futrell's** ship "Dandy." Unfortunately the 5th annual Class picnic at Lake of the Woods was canceled, but they'll try again on 22 Jun 85.

1946: The Henrys, Fullers, and Joffrions

The events to follow are: 5 Dec luncheon at Pentagon; 9 Jan WP Society luncheon at Ft Myer; 23 Feb dinner at Ft McNair; 16 Mar Founders Day at Bolling Fld; 20 Mar luncheon at Pentagon; 27 Apr dinner at Ft Myer; 9 May WP Society luncheon at Ft Myer; 22 Jun picnic. If you're in the area I'm sure a call to **Jim** would let you know when to be there, etc.

A recent **Army Times** pictured **Ed Saunders** at his word processor while still on duty at West Point. The article went on to discuss USMA's acquisition of a half million dollar word/information processing system. Ed is quoted as saying: "We now accomplish several times the work we could before; there is no dictation for the secretaries; we create at the keyboard." Now the big question, "When do the cadets start writing their papers at the key board?" Would you believe I still have the typewriter I used to answer b-aches!

In May the **Fullers** were in Baton Rouge where **Jeffrions** and **Henrys** live, so they all had a mini-38th Reunion at the Chalet Brandt, the nicest restaurant in town. Will sent a photo of the group, albeit dark, it may come out.

Received a PIO type release from **Bob Kren** this past summer announcing his appointment as The Burney Company's registered representative in Missouri. Bob has hooked up with **Jake Burney** as the western rep of the firm which Jake started up in 1974, after his retirement. Until now the business has been centered here in the northeast. Bob is also involved in real estate and insurance in Columbia, MO.

In late Jul **George Patton** invaded the South to give a talk at Monteagle, TN, which, according to **Tom Campbell,** who mailed the poop, is similar to Chautauqua, NY. Now don't ask me why, except maybe both are considered in the back of beyond. Have some fun looking them up on your maps, I did. Anyway, Tom stated George gave a dynamic talk which was a credit to the country, West Point, and to George. There was a standing room only crowd. For Tom it was quite a little trip from Atlanta, GA where he lives.

Bob & Connie Williamson (E-2) send their regards to the Class along with their most recent exploits. Bob, a CE type, spent 6½ yrs with the CE, ArEDiv-Eur, Frankfurt 1976-82. He retired from Fed Civil Service in Aug 82 and they returned to Savannah, where they had lived from 58-66. In Jan 83 he accepted a short term engineering job in Hong Kong, arranged for by **Roy Beatty** (E-2). The job was with HUD Engineering, subsidiary of Hong Kong United Dockyard Co. and involved construction of a cement plant. **Connie** joined Bob in Mar 83 and almost immediately the QE-2 docked with passengers **Ben & Jan Evans.** The four met on the top of Victoria Peak. While in HK they were able to visit Bob's sister and family in Sydney, Australia.

They left HK in Jul 83 for London via a six week tour thru China, Mongolia and Russia. After nine weeks in Europe with five weeks in Greek Islands and Athens, Bob returned to HK (Oct 83) and in turn Connie left HK for home in Nov 83. Unfortunately on Thanksgiving 83 Bob ended up in HK hospital with a bleeding ulcer. Connie returned to HK and escorted Bob home, arriving 19 Dec 83. He's ok now. Even went to FL last Feb and visited **Bob & Claire Crowley** (E-2). He has also been busy helping his brother run the Savannah Science Museum and setting up their new IBM PC mirco.

On 1 Sep 84 they set off for Australia, via CA, Tahiti, Cook Islands, and New Zealand. They'll be there by Thanksgiving 84. Bob spent 1932-40 as a boy in Melbourne. They'll come home via Singapore, Bangkok, HK, Taiwan and Tokyo and expect to arrive next Sept 85. Wouldn't we all like to join them!

The following is presented as received from **Rob Rufsvold,** our Class representative on the **Wayne S. Nichols** Memorial Fund Committee:

The Wayne S. Nichols Memorial Fund has been established at the Ohio State University School of Natural Resources to perpetuate Wayne Nichols' work and his name. Through the Fund, important natural resources and environmental work can be carried on—work to which Wayne devoted his life in the Army and in the Ohio state government. After retiring from the Army in 1975, Wayne served as Dpty Dir, OH Dept of Natural Resources, and subsequently as Dir, OH Dept of Energy, and Dir, OH Environmental Protection Agency, the position from which he had recently retired at the time of his untimely death in an auto accident on 6 March 1984.

Throughout more than 35 yrs of public service, his foresight and uncompromising dedication to natural resource preservation made Wayne Nichols one of America's most respected leaders in the environmental field. The goals that Wayne valued most will be served by the Memorial Fund: support for promising students in natural resource studies, and development of nationally significant educational programs on water resource issues.

Tax deductible gifts to the Fund may be made payable to the Ohio State U Development Fund, marked Wayne S. Nichols Memorial Fund on the memo line, Dept 0811, PO Box 16579, Columbus, OH 43216.

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Our new Class Sec **Stan Blum** has just mailed some poop he would like in this issue. He has been collating Class rosters to ascertain correct addresses and finds the following as the "hard core" lost legions and have been for a number of years now: **Phil Brady** A-2, **Bob Dobbs** G-2, **Marty Feldman** B-2, **Ben Gay** H-2, **Jack Grace** G-2, **Clif Gray** D-2, **Dick Jimenez** H-1, **Jim McBride** A-2, **Marion 'Jack' Richards** G-1, **John Riedel** H-2, **William SacHarov Volmer** E-2, and **John Whitmore** G-2. I have given cadet company affiliation in hopes that might help stir some memories among those of us not lost. Stan also passed on the sad news that **Peg Traber** had passed away last Feb in Oxnard, CA. I had not heard until now and certainly wish to pass on the belated condolences of the Class. The new Class officers are thinking it is again time for a Class yearbook so be ready to fill out the questionnaire sometime early next year.

The remainder of this column will be filled with the short pieces of news collected by **Jim Loome** from Washington Chapter classmates as they sent in their dues. **Marie Parmly** has been accepted into MaryKnoll Lay Mission Program, will be spending 5 months in language school in Bolivia before a three year tour in a parish in Mexico City. She sends her love to us all. **Don Beyer** and son, Volvo dealer in Falls Church, have been selected to receive the Dealer of Excellence Award. **Sully Johnson** reports that son Eric joined Peace Corps in Cameroon and daughter Karen is now foreign news editor of the **San Diego Union** newspaper. **Jack Hoefling** is back in Washington after eight years in Saudi Arabia; he's now VP Int'l Req, Litton Data Cmd Systems. **George Hall's** youngest son Steve entered USAFA last July. **Stan Fair** is recovering from a ladder fall Oct 83; he broke back, wrist and a few ribs and had bone fragments removed from his spinal column.

Ted Zeh reports daughter Susan married 2LT Bill Hegedusich on 26 May 84 at Andrews AFB. Susan is scheduled to attend OTS at Lackland AFB in late Sept (84). Bill is attending navigator training at Mather AFB. **George Webb** reports son Peter a 2LT of Inf assigned to 8th Div in Germany; daughter Mary married 2LT Dan Cummings USMA 83 who is an Engr in sep Bn in Germany. **Stan & Mary Baumgartner** left DC area and are now at 1441 La Plaza Dr, Lake San Marcos, CA 92069 as of 12 Jun 84. Stan is working with **Ray Orth** on software development. **Dick Burgess'** family has completed the jingle—his son is a doctor, daughter a lawyer, Dick is the merchant and Marcy the chief. **Gene Deatrick** reports that **Max Feibelman** is his west coast rep; Gene and **John & Pris Doolittle** had dinner last month and the Deatricks have their first grandson, Wesley Deatrick. **Bill & Phyllis Yancey** are still in real estate, now have eight grandchildren and expect No. 9 in Oct (84). BEAT NAVY

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I am writing this in early Sept because the rest of the month for me is to be spent playing tennis in the National Clay Court Senior Championship in Little Rock, AR and then I'll be going to Europe to join **Bobbi** with (hopefully boy) no. 2 new grandchild.

The Olympics were fabulous! LA and ABC certainly done good. And so did some of our Class! **Mary Delistraty** stirred the hearts of many when she carried the Olympic torch on 16 July up Divisadero St from Fulton to Post in San Fran. Many friends and relatives of Delistratys were on hand to cheer Mary on. **John** called the experience the next best thing to being in the Olympics. I'm sure that you all observed many of the exciting events. Mary honored us all when she proudly helped in this great regeneration of national and international spirit. Hope everyone noticed **Meg Sargent** in the Boeing 747 commercial that ran throughout the Olympics. I believe the video ad coincidentally had her flying to HI. Good practice for 37½.

1947: Tom Rogers and granddaughter

NEW ADDRESSES: Olympic-stamped post cards from **Heisers** announce that **Gwenne** and **Ron** have moved to Apt 917, 988 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota, FL 33577. Ron is working with a Foundation supporting a college in FL. . . . **Duquemins** are finally back from Saudi Arabia to home base at 245 Tenth Fairway, Roswell, GA 30076. Bob Kirwan '48, replaced Duke in Saudi. At Founders Day, at the Engr compound, Duke says he was the MC altho only the second-oldest. It seems only yesterday that we all were the youngest ones at Founders Day! Duquemins joined the grandparent group when son Peter and wife recently produced Katrina. **Evelyn & David Jarvis** decided to move to the most idyllic place in the West: Avila Beach, CA 93424 (136 Quail Way, PO Box 459). All 3 of their married kids are settled 150 miles south of them in Simi Valley near San Fernando Valley. They report seeing many of the CA (LA) contingent at **Jean & George Levenbacks** where dau, Paula, was recently married. The **Burners** moved to a new type Condo: 4491 Copperhill Drive, Okemos, MI 48864 close by to their present address. June says it is a ranch type, detached single family with no outside work! Jean will like that; we all like that at our ages. Unfortunately, there is sad news from Burners. Scott Mac Kool, their 6 yr old grandson, died suddenly in July. The Class sends sympathy and condolences to the Burner families.

MARRIAGES: The **Congers** have been quite busy lately. As you know, their dau Julia married Jimmy Autrey (now living in Lake Charles, LA) and soon after, dau Carroll married John Earnest in Mountain Brook, AL on 18 July. Carroll carried on the garter tradition and became the 7th Class dau and 19th person to wear Bobbi Geraci's wedding garter. **Jeannette & Roger Bate** married off dau Constance to James Wegmann in Plano, TX on 11 Aug. I received a very interesting note this summer from Carolyn Perkins Roberson, the widow of COL G. L. Roberson '33 and the sister of **Tom Perkins**, our Arty classmate who died in 1973. She reports that Scott, eldest son of **Gibby** and Tom, was married to Christine Soli on 30 June in Lawton, OK in a beautiful wedding. Scott's sisters Carolyn and Amanda and his brother, Doug, were all members of the wedding party. The newlyweds will also live in Lawton where Scott is a sportscaster for a TV station and Chris is a professional singer. Gibby and the girls are still living in San Antonio and Doug in Austin. **Carolyn Roberson** also sent in a snapshot of a bronze plaque which the congregation of the Episcopal Church placed on the wall of the Old Chapel at Ft Sill in appreciation of Tom's work in restoring the interior of the Chapel while he was serving as BG, C of S, Ft Sill. I'll pass it on for Tom's file in Assn records. Many thanks to Carolyn who so ably substituted for busy Gibby in passing me the above info.

NEWS FROM THE SW: It appears as if **Meade Wildrick** and supporters in HI and area coordinators (**Willy Munroe**, Tucson, is SW area coordinator) have many of the details of our 37½ mini well in hand. Received an excellent coordination letter from **Nancy** & Willy in June. Also received a post card from **Pat & Doc Haskin** from Santa Fe, NM. They were visiting **Betty & Pete Boerger.** Many thanks go to Pat and Doc for being such gracious hosts to me when I drove quickly out to CA and back during the Olympic period. The last time I drove 25 hours straight thru was in 1947 (at Ft Riley) to NJ. **Jane & John Mastin** continue their Mineral and Gem trips in the western half of the US. In July, John won honors at the San Diego show where he received first place trophy for "Education through Sharing" from the large Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralological Societies. While there, they were able to have a wonderful seafood dinner with **Mary & Ike Ickler.** The **Greenbergs** were supposed to have joined them on way from Condo in Mexico to LA, but rumor is that **Mike** had the Mexican GI trots and had to keep going. The **Dells,** first known member of the CA contingent to visit a SW classmate, had a good visit with **Dunhams** and **Mastins** in July where slides and pictures of previous reunions were shown.

1947: John Mastin and granddaughter

This is the last column you will read before 37½ in HI. Pay up before Christmas! Aloha!!

Just before going to press, I was pleasantly surprised to receive a lovely letter and photo from Melinda Smoak, dau of **Posy & Tom Rogers,** which, of course, announced the next new grandparents. It certainly looks as if Tom can't be any prouder holding Sarah born on 3 Jun 1984. Husband Deryl is a Mgr of a Transport Co. in Charlotte, NC.

I saw **John Naill** at the Little Rock Country Club where the Nat Senior Tennis was being held. I was glad for his support be-

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1947: Kirwan '48 with the Duquemins

cause flashes from the past were able to be generated by me in tennis but only momentarily. John is finishing up a 6 yr term on Fed Farm Board as chairman. Our Class' biggest spender, John loaned out over $80 billion. John also tentatively reported that **Bob Draper** who was assumed to be living in vic of Memphis, TN has died. We need further details.

A nice helpful note came from **Jim Elkey** '45, who confirms that it was our Classmate **James Ryan** who died (June 84 Retired Officers' Mag).

I really end now by going back to the beginning. The **Geracis** did indeed receive a new grandson born Keith Russell Hampton on 14 Sep at 8 lbs, 2 oz.

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With great pleasure I report that **Susan & Monk Doty** were married on 16 June 1984 and are living is Raleigh, NC 27609, at 4718 Yadkin Drive. **Bob Ward** talked with the happy couple and provided the info.

An anonymous postcard postmarked Waterbury, CT and signed "A Friend," informed me that **Ed Klett** died two years ago. I haven't confirmed this as yet, and would appreciate any info.

1948: Classmates in Vienna, Austria

Joe Bratton was retired with full honors on 14 Sept. Earlier that day he turned the Engineers over to LTG E. R. Heiberg III. Joe intends to keep busy in new projects.

Sam France '46 sent a clipping from the 16 July **Army Times.** Seems Robert C. Hennessy, 280 Rockland Ave, Norwood NJ 07648 wants **Tom Bowen** to contact him. It may be a long lost rich relative, Tom.

Marianne Kiernan attended the ceremonies at Ft Riley on 2 July, when a recreational marina on Milford Lake (don't remember any lakes when I was stationed there) was dedicated in memory of Joe and Rodney Smith. MG Watts, CG of the 1st Inf Div (Mech) and of Ft Riley did the honors.

Bob Cushing landed in Walter Reed to have a detached retina repaired. He was in good spirits, although the prognosis for complete recovery was not too favorable. He has a condo on the beach on St Croix, and welcomes visitors.

Bob & Greta Mathis have their special camp for special people, Eagle Mount, in full swing. Their program for instituting a skiing program for the disabled has been a great success—they anticipated some 20 to 30 skiers, and ended up with over 100, with almost 80 volunteer instructors. They have also formed a National Advisory Board for the project. While they have been in Bozeman less than three years, the program has exceeded their wildest dreams. Bob notes in closing that "If you need a shot in the arm about today's world, come see us!"

Bob Petersen has become Dir of Devl of the American National Metric Council. With him in that position, we're sure to be thinking metric with a vengeance!

The 5 Sept **Post** carried the picture and announcement of the engagement of Anya Pomiak to **Jim & Sally Macklin's** son, James, who is now a CPT and following Dad's lead, studying law at the National Law Center, George Washington U here. A Dec wedding is planned.

Lee Doyle called from Mt Lakes, NJ, after having watched the movie "Red River," which he and I had seen in **Charlie Skouras'** parents' penthouse in Hollywood in 1948. He and **Johnsie** are proud parents of a varsity cheer leader, daughter Aimee. Son Tom is still in TX, but hasn't succumbed yet to the lovely girls of that state. Brother Tim made CPT in a little over three years and is at Knox, having spent his first tour in Bayreuth. He, too, is an eligible bachelor. His sister Adrian and spouse, Tim Tatum, are living in Lexington, NC, where Tim is in sales. They took a flier on a house auction—bid $30,000 and got it! Wonder if it's a "handyman's delight" as the ads say?

Ken Barber sent the picture of a festive occasion in Vienna, Austria, last summer. Clockwise, starting with Ken in the foreground are **Pat Withers, Carolyn Barber, Jack Withers, Marjorie Pressman, Ken Pressman,** and Ken and Carolyn's children, Nancy (aged 20) and Ken, Jr. (aged 30). The Barbers spent a month touring Europe—saw the very powerful Passion Play at Oberammergau; rode the gondolas in Venice with an Italian tenor; saw Michelangelo's David in Florence; went to Rothenburg **ab der Tauber** and Rome; spent five days in Paris; and drove to the Normandy Beaches in a rental, stopping at Monet's home (en route) with its beautiful gardens; and planned to meet the Withers in Vienna. While enjoying a drink **alfresco** and listening to the Strauss waltzes, the two families were surprised and delighted to have the Pressmans stroll up and join them. A mini-reunion of '48 enused. Ken's real estate business, called the Rawhide Company, is doing well—opening five new subdivisions totaling 2,450 acres. Sons Ken, Jr., and Doug are in the business with him. Thanks for the update, Ken.

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As I write this column, we are one week away from our 35th Reunion. At last count, we'll be seeing some 348 classmates and families—to those of you who couldn't make it this time, our best wishes and see you soon. **Ann Arantz** suffered a stroke from which she is now recovering in Savannah, GA; **Sue Ogden** had to have a hip replacement and is about six weeks into her recovery and doing well; **Bill Stemple's** dog got spooked and yanked his wife over breaking an arm and a leg; **Carver Wood** came down with an annoying back problem and **Dick Henry** is in the Long Beach Naval Hosp recovering from abdominal surgery, an aftermath to a hernia operation some months back—he's doing fine and was due home after a week's stay, but travel was ruled out, which ended their hopes of making the Reunion.

1949: The Griffiths and Keiths

It always happens, **Tiger Howell** and **Chuck Olentine** are making such fabulous profits with their racehorses that **Jack Albert** has decided to get into the business at his farm in the Lynchburg, VA area—he's now raising some racehorses. One of our ex-hockey stalwarts, **Wayne Norby,** now has a son chasing the puck—he took him to practice not long ago and they both noticed that on the ice there was one definitely older gentleman. When Wayne's son got home, he informed him that the older type was one of his classmates—who else but **Gene Mechling** newly returned to the Washington area from Aspen, CO.

1949: McNamee, Hinchion, and Henry

Don Keith has joined Cyprus Corp. in Alexandria, VA as a Sr. VP, while **Tom Marsh** and **Jim Hartinger** are going the independent route setting up their own consulting firms. **Jim Stansberry** has started a consulting business, and he and **Audrey** bought a new home in Westford, MA. Incidentally, after the past four years of dealing together as

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1949: 35th Reunion

respective heads of their Service's Material areas, Don and Tom have bought homes in the same development here in the DC area. Jim and **Mickey Hartinger** have renovated their civilian home in CO Springs and Jim has opened an office there. I was fortunate in attending all four of the above retirements —Jim was retired by Tom Marsh, his boss and predecessor at ESD and the community turned out enmasse for a very popular guy,

1949: 35th Reunion

including some units of Minutemen groups in the area. The receiving line went on for four hours, and Jim is still having trouble winning any golf bets; his hand is still swollen. Don was the first to retire in late Jun and the Army put on a dazzling show at Ft Myer. Jim Hartinger was next out in CO Springs and was honored by having both the Chmn of the JCS, GEN Vessey, and CS Air

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Force, Charley Gabriel muster him out. GEN Vessey turned over the NORAD Cmd and Charley turned over the Space Cmd to the new Cmdr. The evening prior, they held a ret dinner at Peterson AFB with the feature, a 30 minute film on Jim's life and career from Middleport, OH to CO Springs. At the final ceremony, one of the local news photographers caught Jim wiping away the tears —see, he is human, although many of the competitors he met on the lacrosse and ball fields might not believe that. Tom Marsh was the final retireee and again Charley Gabriel did the honors at Andrews AFB—Tom and **Joan** tried to escape by not joining the reception line, but so many people sought them out, I'm sure it made little difference.

George Sylvester has been tasked by the Air Force to head a study group to examine the function of their Contract Management Division and one of his group's members is **Dick Henry.**

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I had the pleasure of spending a day with the Henrys at their newly renovated home in Naples Beach, CA. **Mike & Avis McNamee** joined us for dinner on their roof patio and the evening was lit up by fireworks from the **Queen Mary** berthed nearby. The next day, Dick took me sailing and although the wind didn't cooperate fully, we had a great time out on the water.

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Bob Ennis provided me with a photo taken of four classmates—all original instructors at the Academy—at the AFA '59 Reunion. **Art Bannister** came from Sunnyvale, CA, **Tom Crawford** from Littleton, CO, **Lou Browne** from Las Cruces, NM and Bob from DC. They were invited with wives to participate in the first class' 25th Reunion with parties, banquets, a chapel dedication and monuments to the memory of the founders of the USAFA.

Joe St. Clair has left the DC area for Huntsville, AL, where he has joined the service company of an outstanding corp, the one I work for, Raytheon.

George Sylvester, in case you haven't noticed, is serving as a Trustee of our Assn of Grads.

One recent Academy graduate we missed was **Bud Wynne's** daughter—a recent graduate at the Air Force Academy.

Forgot to mention that at the **Hartinger** retirement, I flew out with **Larry Ogden** and **Lou Baumann,** and we spent some time with **D.D. & Sue Overton, Jack Forrest** and **Bo Callaway,** who were also at the retirement. Being close to the DC area, there were large turnouts of classmates at the other retirements.

With the advent of the Reunion, I've had a number of calls from people trying to locate **Kirby Lamar,** including a couple we haven't heard from for awhile—**Pete Petranck** still following the call of the stock market and the racetrack and **Bucky Corley,** who has developed a very interesting pastime in Richmond, VA—computer produced mathematical art—looks like those classes in solid geometry all over again.

1949: 35th Reunion

The addition to the Lodge was held up a bit due to the fabrication of the arches, which were built to match the original arches. All the material was on hand, and **Gil Kirby** was reporting it would be ready for use for the Reunion—full report next time.

Dark clouds preceded our Reunion with the news of the death of two wives. **Gloria Cronin,** wife of **Tim,** was killed in an automobile accident the Monday preceeding the Reunion in NH. She swerved to avoid debris on the road, lost control and was thrown from the car when it went off the road and rolled over. Tim can be reached at 31 Shaw Dr, Bedford, NH 03102. On Thursday of the same week, **Ann Stemple** passed away. Although details are scarce, I assume it was related to the accident mentioned earlier in my column when she was pulled over by her dog. **Bill** can be reached at 23 Winding Way, Madison, NJ, 07940. Both Gloria and Ann were included in our Memorial Service on Saturday morning at WP—we will miss them both.

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I know that by the time you read these notes you will have received a letter concerning reunion plans and recommended changes for the Class constitution. Hopefully, you will have voted on the latter as conscientiously as you did in the Nov elections. Just in case you have not marked all calendars at home and in the office, circle 18-20 Oct 85 for our 35th Reunion. Here in the DC area we have already begun to hone esprit for the Reunion on several pleasant occasions. On 25 Sep we had a Class luncheon at the Pentagon in the SECARMY's Mess; there were 45 classmates in attendance. **Ben Lewis,** who is with OASD (M&L), was our host. **Jere Sharp, Grayson Tate,** and **John Wickham** completed the active duty contingent. **Ken Moll,** our Vice-Chairman, nominated **Jack Wheatley** of Palo Alto, CA to serve a 1 yr term as a trustee in the AOG; unanimous approval was voiced. **Hank Strickland,** our permanent luncheon chairman, had asked **Dick Wyrough** to give us a few words about his 10 yrs with the State Dept. Dick along with **Larry Jackley** worked very dili-

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gently for many years on the Panamanian Treaty negotiations. Now Dick is the Coordinator for Panamanian Affairs. He presented an interesting update on the situation in Panama as well as discussing briefly developments in Central America. He had high praise for **Paul Gorman**'s role as USCINOSO and the respect that Paul has earned from State. Since this meeting was held in the puzzle palace it attracted many classmates who cannot make it out to Tyson's Corner on the last Wed of each month; for example, **Walt Adams, Jack Allen, Phil Barger, Bud Blanchard, Roy Clark** (X-50), **Lou Genuario, Roy Lounsbury, Mac McMullen, Sandy Oliver, Ed Reidy, John Rutledge, Jack Saalberg, Rufe Smith, Sid Steele, Ty Tandler, Jim Trayers** were present. And **Bob Wilson** was welcomed at his first luncheon since moving into the area. The rest of the troops were the regulars composed of the beltway bandits, and the retired-retired.

1950: Second serving at Warner's poolside

Another happy gathering took place on Sunday 16 Sep at **Volney & Janice Warner's** home. It was a delicious champagne brunch around the pool. Although too cool for swimming, it was a beautiful day; I believe two stalwarts—Jake & Ann Jacobson made it into the hot tub. About 60 persons attended; there were two servings—early birds at 1030 and late sleepers at 1230. Guess which was the most popular time by a 2-1 margin. Among those attending were **Betty Nibley** and Pete's sister and her husband, the Fitzgerald's. Other Class widows that we were all happy to see were **Robin Maresca, Evelyn McCoy,** and **Joan Scandling.** Joan has just hosted a gourmet dinner party the night before, but she's so well organized that I am sure that all the dishes were done before she came to brunch. **Robin** reports that dau Gigi, who married into the Navy, now lives in San Francisco with her husband and dau Jennifer Robin. One of the **Maresca** twin boys, John, is a market research analyst in NYC while Bob works with a Porsche dealership in Houston, TX. **Robin** has recently moved to Montebello, a condominium just south of the beltway on US 1. **Evelyn McCoy** teaches in an intermediate school in McLean, VA. Her older son, Michael, a UVA grad, works with Delta Airlines and lives in Georgetown. The younger son, Patrick, is a Sr at VPI majoring in Geophysics. Her dau Karen, is married and lives in Albuquerque, NM. A good-to-see out of towner at the brunch was **Mike Dowe** of La Jolla, CA. He says he is helping to run an energy research company. He is also Pres of the WP Society in San Diego. Mike expected to attend a biannual reunion of the Korean POW Society during the second week of Oct. The reunion site is Ft Walton Beach, FL near the home of the current pres **John Streit.** Hopefully, other classmates attending will include **Mike DeArmond, Ernie Dunning, Joe Green, Paul Roach, and John** (Doc) **Watson.**

One of our most faithful contributors to these notes gave me a good news briefing at the brunch, and more important, followed it up with some written notes and a picture.

1950: Rein and Friedlander—old roommates

Incidently, **Penny Phillips** also organized the photo opportunity at the **Warners.** She reports that after 30 years of playing golf at courses from Pebble Beach, CA to Uruguay, **Mark Jones** has finally entered the golfers hall of fame with a hole in one on the 170 yd 4th hole at Ft Belvoir's South Course. Mark attributes his feat to the sound advice of his weekly playing partners of the '50 Fearless Foursome of **Jones, Hamlin, Murphy,** and **Phillips** and the invaluable lessons learned as a cadet clearing rocks from WP's golf course. Penny also noted that the DC area contingent of Co F-2 held a mini-reunion in Aug when **Bill Pogue** flew in from the Midwest and hosted a dinner party for the **Joys, Phillips, Tandlers, Tates,** and **Trues. Ev** True is with Bendix and living temporarily in Columbus, MD. For most guests, this was the first visit with Bill since graduation. Bill is now pres and chairman of the Chicago Bridge & Iron Co. The **Phillips** had another family addition, appropriately enough, on Grandparents Day: a dau born in Germany to Chuck '79 and Ingrid; this young family will be returning to the US in Dec, followed in a few months by son Paul, a CPT EN stationed in Oman. Wendy & Penny's annual trek this year was a 2 week golfing trip to Ireland and Scotland. They reported that the heather, grouse, and bunkers at St. Andrews Old Course are as advertised. While waiting for the brunch omelet line to shorten I sat down at a table with **Tillie & Sam Smither's** dau Robin and three of the **Crittenberger's**—Amy, Julie, and Bill. Robin works with a PR firm in Atlanta, GA. Amy had worked at the Olympics this past summer; most of her brothers and sisters visited LA to check on her and the games. All Crittenbergers are doing well as usual. And so are the four other grads in the **Warner** family; dau Vickie and son-in-law Stephen Shambach '74 are stationed at WP with the Dept of BS&L. Also at WP is dau Valerie and her husband, Keith Walker '76, with Dept of Soc Sci. Son Jim '76 is working on MBA at Harvard prior to returning to WP as an Econ "P". Son Jerry '76 extended a fourth year in Germany in order to be a Bn S-3. To sum up this great news gathering event, the '50 Party for the 3rd qtr was a huge success. Many thanks to the Warners for opening their home and being so gracious!

Grady & Bess Bannister announced the marriage of their dau Doris Elizabeth to Daniel Edward Macklin on 15 Sep in San Francisco. A reception for the newlyweds was held on 20 Oct at the Bannister's home in Sierra Vista, AZ. Another beautiful wedding attended by several classmates and mates was that of **Joe & Mary Pharr Love's** dau Robin Pharr to Mr. Charles Hildreth Ewald in Ivy, VA on 2 Sep. Afterwards, we proceeded to the Farmington Country Club where **Walt & Shirley Adams, Tom & Betty Lou Austin, Bill & Robin DeGraf, Ken & Loris Ebner, Jack & Julia Palmer,** and **Sid & Jeanne Steele** mingled with the other wedding guests which included George Patton '46, Bob Haldane '47, Bob Nulson '49, and Lou Michaels '51. We all had a great time including the lovely bride and handsome groom. Joe stated that he and Mary Pharr should be returning from Saudi Arabia in Jan 85; we hope to see them again at that time. While out in the Charlottesville area B.L. & I stayed with son Tom's in-laws, Chaplain Russ Stroup and Lois. The next day Russ and I had lunch with **Ralph Pinto.** Ralph is the Exec Dir of UVA Alumni Patents Foundation; additionally, he still teaches business law 6 hrs per week at UVA. Several years after the loss of his wife, **Janet,** their oldest son Don introduced Ralph to **Claudia;** they married and now have one girl and three boys in addition to the five children of the earlier marriage. I believe this sets some kind of a Class record which is unlikely to be matched. Ages range from 32 to 4. Don is a paralegal working for a law firm in McLean, VA; Chris is an office manager in Boulder, CO; Sally is a Sr at UVA majoring in marketing, Beth is a freshman at Clemson, Susan an an 8th grader, Claudia a 6th grader, Nathan a 4th grader, Billy a 1st grader, and David is 4 years old. Whew, it makes me tired just to write it down! And to think I once bragged about having 9 grandchildren! However, it all agrees with Ralph; he looks great (10 yrs younger than the average classmate)! In early Sep at the Ft Belvoir Retiree Open House it was fun to see the following: **Marv Rees, Larry Lodewick,** and **Joan & Terry Parsons.**

1950: The Jackleys and Stones—34th Wedding Anniversary

Marv, an old engineer, is a "young" staff assistant to Senator John Stennis of MS. While observing Operation Pontonier (an engineer bridging demonstration) **Betty Lou** & I were fortunate to be sitting two rows in front of Larry and his grandson; Larry gave a much more colorful narration than did the jr officer on the PA system. We enjoyed a good-deal lunch with the **Parsons;** i.e., all you can eat for $4 each. Our speakers for the day were LTG Bob Elton '54 DCSPER; COL (Ret) John P. Sheffey '42, an MT&G "P" when we were cadets and now the Exec. VP, National Assoc. for Uniformed Services; and COL James Stewart, CO Dewitt Army Hosp.

Bunty McFarland and **Danni Jennings**

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1950: A match made—Morrison '78 and the Grosecloses

(X-wife '50) were in town in late Aug to attend a friend's wedding. **Ray & Peggy Singer,** B.L. & I took these visitors to the Ft Belvoir O Club to catch up on their news. **Andy McFarland** who remained on the home front in Carmel, CA is still lifting weights, fencing, riding horses and writing that first novel. Dau Caroline, who was educated at Mills in Belgium and at Stanford, married a Harvard (BS) Yale (MD) graduate who is a CDR USN stationed in San Diego; they have two girls. Dau Sandy who graduated from Santa Clara married a classmate who teaches computer science in Phoenix, AZ. Sandy has an MA in International Mgt with a minor in French. **Rex Jennings'** boys are distributed as follows: Carl, a USNA grad, is a LCDR USN in Auckland, New Zealand on a 2 yr exchange tour with the Royal NZAF; Bill is working on a degree at Columbia U in NYC; Steven, recently married, works and lives in DC.

1950: Charlotte Ferguson's daughter—Jennifer Wood '85

Carl & Dottie Stone stopped for lunch with **Larry & Jo Jackley** on the Jackley's 34th wedding anniversary—most appropriate since Carl was an usher at that affair. With them was son Tex, who was headed for Ft Bragg. Tex is a LT USAR; he works with Carl in the Stone Counseling Service. Additionally, Carl heads up a Jr. ROTC unit in Albuquerque, NM. Carl has initiated a '50 memorabilia project for the 40th reunion and is requesting assistance from anyone with any unusual military artifacts connected with a '50 classmate. I'm sure we will hear more about the project at the 35th Reunion.

Dick Rein sent me a great report on a summer trip to CA. He, **Treva,** and youngest son Mark, now a fresh at Wm. & Mary (in ROTC), spent three weeks with oldest son, Rich, who works for Bendix in North Hollywood. They drove down to San Diego and spent two fantastic days with Dick's old roommate, **Chuck Friedlander,** and his wife, **Diane.** They felt fortunate to see the Friedlanders' married dau Lauren who was visiting from SF. **Al Fern** dropped over the first evening with his dau. **Al** is with Gen Dyn and lives just a stone's throw from Chuck. Although Dick didn't get to see his old buddy **John DiGrazia,** he did have a long phone conversation with him. Dick certainly waxed poetically about the **Friedlanders'** outstanding hospitality. Incidentally, Dick's middle son, Doug, graduated in Jun from VPI with an MBA and is now working for IBM (Federal Systems) in Manassas. Treva is back teaching full time at Job Stuart High in Falls Church. A good note from **Bud Blanchard** reveals that he is still teaching and counselling at the Pentagon Education Center, but hopes to be opening a Taco Bell Restaurant this winter or early spring. Son Geoff is a married LT USA at Ft Hunter Liggett, CA. Ted is a CPT USAF at Mac Dill AFB, FL. Scott, a civ, is a mortgage loan officer in Fairfax, VA. Just out of George Mason U Law school, Amy is lining up a job with a local law firm. Margie a Sr at WVU is engaged to be married next Jun. Bud spent a week in Jul canoeing on the St Lawrence River and much of the summer sailing and beachcombing at his cottage on Chesapeake Bay. Anyone for a swim when it warms up again?

1950: A gourmet dinner group

Nelson Ritter is warming up to home life after having resided some 5 mo at AMC where he was treated for complications of diabetes. He and **Marge** both sounded as happy as newlyweds when I talked with them by phone this week. They are proud as they can be of their two grandsons, Evan Ritter Thorne (2) and Christopher Ritter Gibson (1). Dau Carol and family are packing for a move to Brussels where her husband William Thorn has been assigned as manager of FMC European Branch. Dau Elise and Philip Gibson continue to work in this area thereby giving the grandparents frequent access to the younger grandson. Perhaps, the Ritters will consider a space—A trip to Europe to maintain contact with the Thorns!

Also departing the DC area recently were **Frank & Ann White.** For the past 8 yrs Frank has worked with OMB first as Dep Asst Dir for Fed Civ Pers Policy and later as Budget Branch Chief for the Treasury, GSA, and FEMA budgets. The Whites have moved to the LA area where Frank is the Regional Dir for the Census Bureau for So. CA, Hawaii, and Clark County (Las Vegas) NV. Both Frank and Ann are hopeful that they will have more leisure time to enjoy social activities there than they did here in Washington.

Bob & Gwen Groseclose's summer trip report did arrive, but too late for last column. Maybe this is a good time to remind all of the column suspenses to WP-30 Sep, 5 Jan, 30 Mar & 30 Jan. On their return southward the **Grosecloses** stopped by Asheville, NC and and had lunch with **Pete Mallett** at his home. Yes, Pete is still an eligible bachelor and in good shape too! The most exciting news from the Grosecloses is that of the courtship and engagement of their dau Nancy to Jack Morrison '78, son of **Bob & Martha Morrison.** Jack, now out of the Army, graduated from FBI Academy at Quantico, VA in Aug. On 10 Nov the wedding will take place at the chapel on Orlando Naval Station. As far as I know this is the first time two of our classmates' children have married each other; I'll bet on the success of this merger. Gwen also told of the 21 Jul marriage of **Jim & Carol Jean Horsleys'** dau Sally Ann to Chris Spencer, son of Orton Spencer '49. In May the Horsleys had suffered the unexpected loss of their 24 year old son, David. For many of '50 who have no prior knowledge of this tragedy, I express our sincerest condolences. The Horsleys' younger son, Steven is a soph at the UFL.

More sad news came from Canada in Jul when **Colleen Mitchell** Carmichael lost her husband, Don, as a result of a heart attack. **Ty & Mimi Tandler, Ed & Judith Reidy,** and several other classmates in the DC area have expressed '50's deepest sympathy to Colleen. She has already acknowledged the Class' concern. In Aug **Joe McCrane** saw Colleen in NYC; she looked well, and said that she was planning to return to Dallas. Remember that I told you that Joe was going to study for a PhD in History; well, he has arranged to do most of his work at Princeton in order to be close to home. Good luck, Master.

Betty Lou & I were very disappointed not to see **Albert Leo & Marilyn Romaneski** when they were in the DC area prior to beginning a new exciting phase of their lives. They are committed to full time Christian service by directing Overseas Christian Servicemen's Center (OCSC). In preparation they attended a course this summer at Mission HQ in Denver, CO. With the blessing of their home church, Grace Chapel, in Lexington, MA they are now in Schweinfurt, Germany. In several months they expect to move on to Baumholder. Wherever they may go, '50 is confident that the Romaneskis will set the example as they did in the Army and the business world. Our prayers go with you!

1950: Classmates at Love-Ewald wedding

On 10 Aug I was reminded of our Plebe hike as I watched '88 march through the Washington gate at WP. There were some differences. I don't remember our Tacs marching along in the rear rank as did my son, Tom '75. They also followed the Queen of Beasts, Karen Short, now CO 2nd Regt. Several weeks later, I watched this Cadet being interviewed on Good Morning America. She is truly outstanding as is the dau of **Charlotte Ferguson,** Jennifer Wood '85, who is CO 1 Bn 2d Regt. Jennifier was chosen

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to be a Co Cdr during Plebe Parents weekend in 81. She was named to the dean's list in 82. During the summer 83 she spent 5 wks at Ft Leonard Wood training RA recruits and five weeks in AK at the Northern Warfare Sch. She has been active on the sailing and ski teams. This past summer she was a leadership instructor at Camp Buckner. '50 is very proud of Jennifier as would be her step-father, **Bob Ferguson.** And her mom, Charlotte, is also serving USMA as a regular member of the West Point Fund Committee.

Bill Ward completed his command tour as CG, 77th ARCOM, and on 1 Dec was named DCdr FORSCOM, a 2 yr assignment. Congratulations, Bill, on a job well done and a great new challenge!

1950: Visitors from NY and CA with Singers

Most of the news for this column has been gleaned from those classmates in the DC area. The West, the Midwest, the NW, and SW, were silent. For example, the only news that I received from the great state of TX was the announcement of a new law partnership—Bolduc & Henderson. **Blackie & Mary Bolduc's** son, David has been in private practice in Austin, TX since 1976. I am sure that there are many interesting things happening out there. Let me hear from you! In the meantime, a Blessed Holiday Season to all of you! Happy New Reunion Year!

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Keeping track of wives and classmates on active duty has become much easier during the last few years; the list has narrowed to **Ted & Sally Atkeson** along with **Jim & Kay Boatner,** Wash, DC; **Joe & Carolyn Fant,** Atlanta; **John & Peggy Hemphill,** MacDill AFB; **Tom & Clara McMullen,** Wright-Patterson AFB; **Ed & Fran Partain,** Ft Sam Houston; **Elmer & Anne Pendleton,** Ankara, Tur; **Ed & Jean Peter,** Ft Sheridan; **Bill & Mary Richardson,** Ft Monroe; **Roscoe & Millie Robinson** and **Jim & Ann Rockwell,** Brussels; and **Sandy & Jean Weyand,** Tokyo. The Boatners have recently rejoined us in the DC area after a wonderful tour in Berlin; Jim is assigned as DCSPER Army National Cmd. While recent retirees **Peixotto, Akers,** and **Wells** fill up their days with productive efforts, they all remain in the Wash DC area. Immediately after the retirement ceremony, **Ernie** and **Libby** set off on a 2½ mo trip around the US, touring at their own pace, relaxed fully and totally enjoying a much deserved vacation. On the other hand, **Al & Mary Akers,** returned to their most attractive home in Fairfax Sta and immediately began renovating after being away three years.

1951: Bill congratulates Al on a job well done

REGIONAL SPOTLITE — CA, ID, OR, MT, WA, HI & FE. **Mert Bangerter** reports that he, his wife **Elfie, Bill & Betty Depew,** and **Stu & Esther Malmgren** shared a table with Rudy Cosentino '50 and Tom Sharp '50 at Orange County's Founders Day—much discussion was devoted to last year's A/N game and their strong hopes for a change in football destinies for the '84 season. Although recently retired from McDonald Douglas, Mert continues his 10-11 hour, 6-7 day work week with the Ford Aeronautics & Comm deeply involved with the ADA programs. The **Bangerters, Don & Sara Leehey,** and **Dave & Dottee Schlatter** attended the wedding of **Ray Sargent's** dau in Santa Barbara. After a beautiful ceremony and sumptuous reception and dinner at the Biltmore, all were

1951: A proud and happy Peter family

able to get together for an extended visit. During the same time frame, summer '84, Mert and Elfie's oldest dau, Karin, was also married. Mert also reports that **R. I. Simpson & Denyse,** who were married in '82, now live in W Los Angeles where Bob is deeply engaged in a business venture relating to the import of Rhine/Hessian wines. **Frank & Anne Winfield** remain firmly ensconced in the San Diego area to which they retired from the Army 10 years ago. Frank, who just completed a two year stint as pres of the WP Soc of San Diego, is vp of Beacon College, which necessitates his spending one week per month in Wash DC; the Wash contingent is looking forward to seeing Frank at our luncheons. Frank also acts as a consultant on security systems—he recently set up a security system for the posh Las Brias Hotel in Acapulco. Anne is also staying productive by operating a small but successful floor covering business despite continuing to run a vibrant, active homestead—Elizabeth, 19, a college soph, and Frank Jr, 13, are still at home. Other children are spread from Richmond, VA (dau Carol mother of 3 sons) to AK (Kevin—professional sportsfisherman).

The love **Dan & Marilyn Sharp** have for the wide-open spaces and particularly their home in Boise just seems to increase; however, they do enjoy other parts of the country and climates as well. For instance, they have managed cruises from California to Mexico with visits to Acapulco and other similar resort areas. Dan does also admit that some of his whitewater rafting trips are not always completely enjoyable—he will have difficulty in convincing **Roy Herte** and **George Meighen** to take such a trip when they learn Dan's last excursion resulted in two boats being capsized on successive days; also that the party had to be evacuated by helicopter. The Meighens and the **Lefflers** are threatening the **Sharps** with a visit in late spring '85. Since a recent trip by the **Steeles** added greatly to our info on HI and the FE we're happy to include it in the regional spotlite. **Howie & Dotsy** with daughters Cindy and Susan toured Hawaii and Japan during May and June. Joining them in Tokyo was son, Chips, an exchange student at the Japanese govt mgt school. Fluent in Japanese, Chips acted as tour director and interpreter in the FE. The Hale Koa Armed Services Resort Hotel at Waikiki and the new Sanno Hotel in Tokyo are both highly recommended by Howie and Dotsy—first class facilities at a reasonable price. They bumped into **Ed & Dottie Markham** in the airport in Honolulu; the Markhams were enroute to the wedding of **Joe & Cecil Clemon's** dau to a handsome Marine who also happens to be an Annapolis grad. As you would expect, reports on the wedding give the Clemons their usual high marks for first class affairs. Although unable to attend the wedding due to scheduling problems, the Steeles were able to spend some time with Joe and Cecil and were royally entertained by them. Howie also managed to talk to all members of the Hawaii contingent: **Jim Kintz, Jim Hackleman, Danny Myers,** and **Bill Quinn.** All are doing well, look good, and have promised to attend the 35th Reunion. Later at Camp Zama, where he rules supreme as the CG USARJ, **Sandy & Jean Weyand** entertained the Steeles. Incidentally, it was Jean's brother, Bobby Pierce '50, kia Korea,

1951: A sunny day in Rocky's life

1951: The California contingent: Leehey, Schlatter, Sargent, Bangerter

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who initially introduced Howie and Dotsy. Happily, four months later in Oct the Weyand-Steele Reunion was repeated a second time when Sandy & Jean visited the US.

'51 ACTIVITIES. On 12 July 1984 a list of Class goals and objectives were presented to the '51 Executive Committee as a basis for discussion at future meetings. Final goals are intended by **Ernie Peixotto,** Exec Pres, to provide a basis for future Class programs

1951: Class luncheon: Barber, Szymczyk, Thompson

as an extension to current activities. It is intended that the derived goals and associated objectives would be provided for Class vote at the 35th Reunion. Goals for discussion: 1) to promote esprit, camaraderie, and cohesion within the Class of '51; 2) to generate a favorable public image of USMA; 3) to assist classmates, particularly during traumas and disasters; 4) to support the Superintendent in accomplishing the mission of the USMA and providing the caliber (mental and moral) of graduates essential to the leadership of the US Army. Objectives-Major Class Actions 1984-86 included: 1) Plan and coordinate the 35th Reunion (**Sanderson**): 2) Continue the Guest Speaker Program (**Fant**): 3) Support the Astronaut Memorial Program (**Dickens**); 4) Support the USMA's Admission and Recruiting Program (**Sheridan**). These objectives were discussed and received general support during both the July Class Exec Meeting and '51 Luncheon. Your consideration, comments, and recommendations on the above goals and objectives plus any added suggestions would be much appreciated by the Exec Comm.

1951: In Istanbul: a friend, Elmblad, Hartnett, Griesinger

CLASS LUNCHEONS: Monthly luncheons in the Wash DC area are scheduled at the Army Navy Club, Arlington, VA. **Reb Barber** handles the coordination, schedules and support for all affairs. Attendance ranges from 14 to 20 and includes a strong nucleus of regulars including **Byers, Lynch, Keesling, Coughlin, Sites,** and **Steele.** For reservations call **Reb or Claudette Barber** 703/941-4789 or Heidi Kearney 703/931-2544. '85 Spring Fling. Planning for the next mini reunion has been narrowed to two locations: Myrtle Beach, hosted by **Dick Breakiron,** or St. Simons Island with **Pete & Pat Clay** being asked to take on this difficult and time consuming task. The final decision and supporting information for planning purposes will be included in the annual Class letter, which will be published either later in Dec or early Jan '85.

35th REUNION. Planning has begun in earnest now that the Dir, USMA Alumni Affairs has designated 26-28 Sep '86 as the weekend for our 35th Reunion. Once more **Sandy Sanderson,** ably assisted by **Gerry Hendricks** has agreed to head the Reunion effort. Although a detailed schedule of events (parades, picnics, luncheons, boatride, parties, etc.) has yet to be worked out, the Reunion will occur over a home football weekend with Army playing Wake Forest. Reservations have been confirmed at the Ramada Inn, Newburg (as for the 30th) and plans are underway to arrange for bus transportation. Initial concerns about a fall reunion, rather than one during June Week, for the odd year reunions (we can go back to June Week for our 40th if we like) have been dispelled by good feedback. This included the personalized support the Academy can provide uninhibited by

1951: Byers, Atkeson, Smith, Cuny

graduation and associated activities. For the 35th, the Reunion Comm has been requested to consider planning events by companies to allow individuals within companies to have more of an opportunity to be together at the individual events. Co M-2, for example, will attempt to have a mini M-2 reunion during the course of the 35th. Your ideas and/or suggestions will be much appreciated by the Exec and Reunion Committees. Please forward your comments, concerns or recommendations to **Gerald K. Hendricks,** United Technologies, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 405, Arlington, VA, 22202-3460, Tel: 703/521-9215.

Pete & Ellie Beczkiewicz, Verle & Joan Johnson, and **Jean** & I attended the Patricia **Bohen**-Douglas Tew marriage at the Ft Myer Chapel in Sep. Delores, lovely and youthful, along with son Sean, escorted PJ down the aisle. John would have been very proud of his lovely family including grandchildren. An outstanding reception at the Hyatt Regency following beautiful church rites provided an opportunity to talk, dance, and enjoy ourselves in most pleasant surroundings. We found out that life on the farm has been very gentle with both **Verle & Joan Johnson,** particularly when you realize that vivacious Joan completely enjoys the rural living. Verle says that she is his most reliable tractor driver, ably handles the most difficult chores, and actively participates in planning farming operations and building alterations. With their six children now grown, the Johnsons, as with many of us, are much freer to travel and visit their children in widespread locations such as upper NY State, Alexandria, VA and TN.

1951: The Steeles in Japan

The **Beczkiewicz** family life continues to revolve around Pete's dedication to his second career, teaching chemistry, and to his students in whom he has so much pride. Meanwhile **Delores Bohen** continues her progression within the Fairfax County School system and is currently a Special Asst to the Dep Superintendent. Word is out that the **Russells, Bradleys,** and **Meighens** got together in Atlanta during Aug; it must have been particularly tough on **Bill,** as it would have been on any other non-drinker who joined that group. **Walt & Nancy** are doing fine with Walt constantly expanding his private law practice after many years in the public environment. The Meighens as usual are enjoying their lives to the fullest, despite their active support for the sick, infirm, and the elderly: **George's** mother has been hospitalized 14 times in two years in Pittsburgh; concurrently, **Anne's** 89 and 94 yr old aunts in Greenville, SC are also constant recipients of their concern, care and love. Since they are always on the move, N, S, E, or W, it is little wonder that the Mobil Travel Guide considers George & Anne two of their most valuable and knowledgeable employees. The Bradleys remain staunch supporters for the FL way of life. **Bill** recently rejoined the Wycliff Associates as Gen Mgr and looks forward to a long and fruitful relationship with them, while **Dell** has taken a very interesting position with Eckerd College. Her work involves a new concept or concepts for living for members of the Academy of Senior Professionals at Eckerd College. Participants include retired or semi-retired professionals, each of whom contributes to the community's way of life—lecturing, tutoring, administration at Eckerd College etc. An interesting feature of the program is that Eckerd College accepts individuals from the sur-

1951: A happy day for the Bangerters

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rounding area who have a history of achievement. To say the least, Dell is enthusiastic when she discusses the program and its potential.

Roland & Gerry Tausch, also Floridians, are among the most active members of the Class. In addition to involvement in many varied types of activities, their lives touch different facets of American public, political, artistic, and social life. For example, Roland's recent support of the Asolo State Theatre involved discussions with Burt Reynolds on the actor's contributions of a million dollars to the Theatre Fund Raising Board. While infrequently, they are able to work selected programs together, Tausch family members usually are involved in individual projects; however, recently Roland and Gerry were able to work jointly on human resources tng for the Sarasota County Sheriff's Dept. Gerry's work often centers on business consulting and speaking concerning subjects such as CEO image, time mgt, non-verbal communication, and personal resource mgt. In May 84 dau Aileen was in charge of the annual President's Dinner which produced a record-breaking 5 million dollars for the Republican Party. As a result, Aileen was among those feted by Pres and Mrs. Reagan at a White House dinner; attendees included all cabinet members and the principal White House staff.

1951: Lee and Joe at a '51 party

NOTES OF INTEREST. Although **Joe & Jean Rogers** are located deep in the heart of VA, they rank among the most loyal of Army's fans, as usual. To date they will have attended every home game except Harvard when improvement to their home necessitated their presence in Woodstock. Since retiring in Sep 83, **Stan & Ruth Sheridan** are now fully adjusted to retired life with Stan making major contributions to V. Gabor Internation as vp. **Don Zurawski,** although always among the most accessible and responsive of individuals, is also one of the busiest. Recent trips to Chicago and Milwaukee have provided very pleasant interludes for a most active family. Their agenda for the next six months encompasses dau Nancy's grad in Nursing in Dec 84 and planning for her marriage in Jun 85; also son Deane is to be commissioned in the AF in May 85.

Dick & Joyce Breakiron are most appreciative of the vacation-life provided by Myrtle Beach 365 days a yr; they say it is a far better life and climate than that provided by No VA; Dick's teaching at the AFB is rewarding and enjoyable; he recommends it to all. In Jun 84 **Hank Evans** was installed as Cmdr, Balt Chap Mil Order of the World Wars: his days were long enough as a research engr with the R&D Asso of Rosslyn, VA and the long daily commute to Baltimore. In Apr 84 **Gabby & Inge Hartnett** took a cruise with **Bruce & Pat Elmblad,** and **Ted & Betty Griesinger** to the Greek Islands, Turkey, Israel, and Egypt. Gabby & Inge report the trip was relaxed, the scenery fascinating and the companionship unexcelled. The **Fred Rockwell's** have returned to the Wash DC area after Fred's returning from Saudi Arabia in Jun 84: Fred is vp with Frank E. Basil Inc, Consulting Engrs, with hq in Wash DC. **John & Wencke Schweizer** continue to live in Annandale, VA where John is very happy with his work as senior engr with Kuljian Engr & Architectural firm in DC. And finally, **Dan Foldberg** does not want it known, but he is beginning to take his leisure seriously; he's taking golf lessons and driving exceptionally well. Incidentally, **Mary** is driving pretty well too in that new Mustang convertible that Danny recently presented her, a reproduction model too!! (The next column will hilite the Northeast—New England, NY, PA, and NJ)

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Merry Christmas! How about putting me on your Christmas card list this year so that the Class can learn a little about what's been happening to you? I've learned over the years in conversations with a number of you that many of you don't write to the Class scribe for a variety of reasons, some of which are more emotion than good logic. The only reason anyone ever reads this column is to read the names and the happenings of you, your family, your classmates and their families so that we can grow as a Class family and share each other's grief and joy. And our Class, just like every other group of people in the world, has its share of both. Every one of the tragedies that you read about every morning over coffee can occur to one or more members of our Class or their family members, and many do. Some of the events that occur never get mentioned in the column, even when I learn of them, because there is no sense in rubbing salt in open wounds. If I err occasionally and mention something that good judgment would have caused me to omit, I apologize. But I do try to use good judgment in determining what to mention and what not to mention. The decision is not always easy. But, you can bet that if you tell me something and ask me not to repeat what you told me, it won't be repeated in the column. Some of you seem to have decided that your classmates are no longer interested in hearing about you (maybe because you think they have heard too much about you already). But most of the Class wants to hear even more about every classmate and his family. So, give me the bits and pieces of information about your family and about other classmates you have seen or heard about, and we can continue to keep this Class supporting each other as a family. And remember your classmates and their families in your prayers. You don't have to know about a particular tragedy to know that a classmate somewhere is suffering one. I guarantee there is a classmate who needs your prayers at any given point in time.

Right after I submitted my last article, I received a report from **Hank Lowder** of the annual Class party, as follows: "The DC-area contingent had our annual summer party last Fri night (23 Jun) at the Marco Polo Restaurant in Vienna, VA. **Sam Hubbard** was in charge of the arrangements, and he had help from **Ralph Cline, John Kenney,** and **Frank Pimentel.** They did a great job! We had good attendance, food and drinks were outstanding, and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to relive and share some 30-plus years of excitement. Every year the tales get bigger and wilder. The following classmates and wives were present: **Paul & Pat Brown, Bob & Alice Craig, John & Meredith Garver, Sam & Charly Hubbard, John & Catherine Keeley, John & Marie Kenney, Tom & Patti Leggett** (from Carlisle, PA), **Hank & Marcia Lowder, Paul & Ann Malone, Otis & Emilia Moran** (Sons David & George filled in for Otis early in the evening), **Joe & Kay Paluh, Harvey & Mabelee Perritt, Frank & Pat Pimentel, Larry & Barbara Putnam, John & Patti Ralph, Don & Barbara Richardson** (from Texas), **Bill & Ruth Shields, Don & Betty Swygert, Don & Suzi Weinert, John & Cynthia Witherell,** and **Chuck & Inez Youree. Bert Kidwell** and **Dick Larkin** had planned to come but due to late developments were unable to attend."

1952: The Baldners and Nan's mother.

Also, I forgot to mention in my last article that in April or May, I dropped in to Suntree near Melbourne, FL to see if **Tom Fitzpatrick** actually is living there, and sure enough, he is. Tom is looking well; he has joined the golf club at Patrick AFB, and is thoroughly enjoying the FL sun on the links.

In Aug, I attended a water resources conference in DC, and while there took the time to stop in to see **Al Griffin.** I extracted from him a promise to write me a long letter before my deadline to write this article. But his good intentions haven't yet resulted in any material for the column. My son, Randy, was on leave after finishing at the UFL and he drove to DC with me. One evening, we had dinner with a friend of his who was visiting with his wife's parents, the Bambery's of the Class of '53. Jim Bambery works with **Larry Putnam** in some sort of computer business. We also dropped by to visit with **Meredith Garver** and her family. John was away on a boondoggle for the **National Georgraphic.** He had international conferences to attend in Australia and in France. Further, at the conference I was attending, I bumped into **Jack Lentz.** He is starting his own water resources consulting business in MD. From one or more of the above, I learned that the **Sells** are in Memphis (I presume only visiting), Joe Lowder (Hank's boy) is in the Army TV commercial, "BE ALL YOU CAN BE." **Bert Stubblebine** has retired. And **Paul Malone** has written a book on leadership which was to be published in Jul. My notetaking during those visits was not what it should have been, and my memory is not what I thought it would be. (The cryptic messages I wrote did not cause instant flashes of memory when I reread them several weeks later.) Further, Meredith drew

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my attention to the 9 Jul 1984 edition of **Newsweek. Walt Ulmer** is featured on the cover and in a half-page article within a 13-page series of special reports about the military. Walt is shown to be "a study in management in motion." He works hard "to keep the junk from getting in the way of important things." The series is comprehensive and basically fair to the profession we all once espoused. I recommend it.

When I received my quarterly note from the Editor of ASSEMBLY, I also received a short letter from **Paul Child**, the new Ass't Editor & Deputy Dir of Publications. Paul reports, "My final assignment was with DCSPER as a member of the Special Review Board, which was an enjoyable experience. I retired at the end of May at Ft Myer; the Old Guard made the occasion especially memorable. As **Bill Raiford** informed you, I was given the opportunity of returning to West Point and joining the AOG staff. Presently I am an understudy to Mike Krisman '39, who has done a superb job as director of publications since 1969. When Mike retires next spring I am to assume his responsibilities. **Judy** and I were also fortunate in finding a nice place in this area, the first house we have ever owned, which adds to the elation of being here. Another attraction about our new circumstances is that sooner or later we should see most of the Class members and wives as they return for visits. We are looking forward to renewing friendships with people who mean a great deal to us, but whom we haven't seen often enough in recent years. It was so good to see **Skip Wensyel** again. Skip lives in Cornwall, looks great, and has been doing a good deal of writing. Judy and I hope that when Class families are in the area they will get in touch with us (3 Wood Thrush Lane, New Windsor, NY 12550/phone 914-565-7553)."

In June, the Army Engrs Officers Wives Club reported that **Maxine Gilkey** was recuperating at home from surgery at WRAMC. In Sep, they further reported that Maxine's father passed away. Our condolences, Maxine, and we hope that by the time you read this you have fully recovered.

In June, I reported having dinner in St Augustine with **Anita & Ralph Leonard.** They were to return to FL for a later visit with Ralph's parents. Anita recently wrote to let us know that they did make that trip. Ralph's father had so looked forward to the trip, but once it was behind them, he died in June, a few days after his 80th birthday. I met Ralph's father a few years ago on another such trip and he was a fine gentleman. Anita also reported that Ralph has now retired from the ME Air National Guard. In Jun, they had a meaningful ceremony, with the Army Reserve Band playing, and all. Then, in late June, while visiting their daughter who is doing post-graduate work in nursing in Boston, they joined the W.P. Society of New England on a cruise of Boston Harbor. They had a marvelous time and enjoyed a bonus of seeing **June & John Cannon** and **Dolly & Pete Selleck.**

In a recent letter from the W.P. Society of N. FL, I noticed that the society V.P. is none other than **Howard Jelinek.**

Tom Ashton is listed in the 23rd edition (1983-84) of **Who's Who in Finance and Industry.** There was also an article in the 16 Jul **St Petersburg Independent** reporting that he has been elevated from president to chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Peninsular Investments in Madeira Beach, FL. Tom came to FL from NYC in '78. He had been a partner in a firm that is now Paine Webber, an officer in Harris Upham & Co., and head of corporate finance in NY for DuPont. Tom is a chartered financial analyst. Tom mentioned to me that on the Oct 83 trip on which I reported that he had looked unsuccessfully for Lope Rimando, he also visited Tokyo, Kyoto, Hakone, Taipei, Singapore, Bali, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Peking and the Great Wall. That was quite a trip!

Most of you have heard of the recent Supreme Court decision which concluded that the NCAA cannot control the TV rights of college football. Few of you probably realize that the Supreme Court decision was based on a case first decided by US district judge **Juan Burciaga,** our classmate. **Bill Reilly** sent me a clipping from the 6 Jul **USA Today** about Juan and that decision. Juan is reported to be "a tough lawyer, a tough litigator and is a very fair judge." A judge in New Mexico, he was reported to have been selected to hear the case after every qualified judge in OK was excused as being a season ticketholder to UOK games. Bill also reported that he is still at the Callaway Nuclear Power Plant near Fulton, MO. Compared to what's happening elsewhere in nuclear power, their problems are very minor. He & Nicky visited the "Auld Sod" in Ireland in May. They have some 25,000 Reilly families there so they felt right at home. Bill saw **Kim & Art Deverill** recently. And Bill's oldest daughter, Laura, was married in June—only 4 to go.

John Baldner sent me a photo taken on 9 Jun when his daughter, Tricia, graduated from TN Tech U summa cum laude. She graduated with a 4.0 for 4 years of college. Her field of study is Home Ec., Interior Design, and she hopes to attend grad school at the UAL this fall.

Dick Stanier called a couple of times. He visited Germany in Aug and spoke to **George Barkley** while there. George was to be back in the US for several weeks beginning in early Sep.

While I was in DC last month, Jim Bambery gave me one note which I did not mention above. I have not obtained any verification of it, but he told me that **Ray Bergeson** had died about 6 weeks earlier.

As I indicated above, our Class gets a share of the grief and tragedy, as well as the joy, in this world. I'll do what I can to report that part of it that you should know about. You can help. Until the next time, please keep those cards and letters coming!

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With 22 classmates present, the annual election of Class officers was held at a Class luncheon in the Pentagon General Officers Mess on 27 July 1984. Classmates present and voting were **Bob Barton, Dick Benz, Keith Born, Art Brown, Bill Burdeshaw, Don Davis, Norm Delbridge, Jerry Goetz, Russ Groshans, Bill Harris, Vald Heiberg, Bill Jolin, Cliff Landry, Chuck Lowman, Jim Miley, Cliff Neilson, Fred Reynolds, Bob Schroeder, Don Shaw, Bill Sutton, Doc Viereck** and **Art Wells.**

The new Class officers are **Cliff Landry,** president; **Bob Breckenridge,** vice-president; **Russ Groshans,** secretary; **Chuck Lowman,** treasurer; **Don Davis,** historian; and **John Haskell,** Class fund chairman.

Immediately after I filed the article for the Sept issue, **Bill Horton** called from the Kennedy Space Flight Center with a report on the postponed June space shuttle launch. Bill & **Joanne** are now located in **FL** where he is working for the Boeing Services International Co and is directly involved in the ongoing modifications to the existing launch pads. Bill reports that his youngest daughter Diane graduated from the UIA in May with a degree in English literature. She is currently working as a nurse's aide while trying to decide whether to enroll in medical school or to continue on a master's program in English literature. His son, CPT William D. Horton, III '80, is finishing the FAOAC at Ft Sill and has orders to Germany. His oldest daughter, Lisa, who graduated Phi Beta Kappa from CO State and then obtained a Master's Degree in Creative Writing from UWA is living in Greeley, CO with her husband and 2 daughters.

1953: The Filasetas in the MacArthur suite.

John & Judy Smythe checked back into the net from Baltimore, MD where they have been residing since retiring at Ft Sam Houston in June of 1983. John is the executive director of four CPA firms located in MD and DC. During graduation week he, Judy, and their youngest son Chris were at WP to present an award honoring his father to the graduating captain of the baseball team. He saw **Ken & Lois Heitzke** who presented the AUSA award at the same time. In the way of family news, their oldest son John graduated from UOH on the same day their oldest daughter Carrie graduated from the School of International Training in Brattleboro, VT. Two more of their children, Julia and Chris, are still in college while their number 2 son is in San Antonio, TX working as an electrician.

Bart Filaseta forwarded an intriguing photograph of **Ronie** and himself taken in the MacArthur suite of the Manila Hotel. The picture was taken during a 28-day tour of Southeast Asia (Japan, Philippines, Bali, Singapore, Thailand, Hong Kong and Taiwan), which was a 30th wedding anniversary present to themselves. Their trip commenced on Mother's Day, only 2 days after the last of 6 children graduated from college. Sounds like more than a wedding anniversary celebration. Bart reports that while Tucson, AZ has an active WP Society, he has not seen any classmates since the 30th reunion as he is the lonesome Class member in the area.

Claire and I had dinner with **Rick & Joyce Gilmartin** following their attendance at **Vald Heiberg's** promotion ceremony at Ft McNair. Rick said that classmates he saw at the ceremony included **Max Noah, Al Grum, Norm Delbridge, Don Ramsey, Bernie Hughes** and **Roger Peterson.** Rick is still working for the telephone company in New York City and has been taking courses to become a CPA.

Two additional members of the Class are joining the growing rank of civilians. MG **Neal Creighton,** who will become the city manager of Asheville, NC, and MG **John**

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Oblinger had their retirement ceremonies on 28 Sept.

For those classmates still looking for an unusual Christmas gift, **Don Shaw** has several reunion commemorative wine carafes, each with two matching glasses, available for immediate delivery. The sets are still being quoted at the reunion price of $30 and orders can be placed by calling Don at 703-841-8910.

In the financial area, as of 30 Apr, contributions to the Class fund for the purpose of maintaining the Class of '53 Reading Room in the Cadet Library totaled $38,253.18. In May, in response to a request from the Academy, a $3,000 check was provided to the library for the purpose of purchasing new books and periodicals to be placed in our reading room. The fund still has a way to go to reach the goal of $100,000. For those who have not yet contributed, consider doing it now and remember **John Haskell** is still matching each gift, dollar for dollar. In addition, our operating account totaled $3,557.

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Selfless **John Woodyard** writes from Stone Mountain, GA that on 16 May, even as our 30th Reunion attendees were jostling each other for saltless peanuts and the check at the Nanuet/Cold Springs Holiday Inn, Woody and **Marianne's** daughter was ushering into this world their first grandchild, Christopher Wade Kelly. This coincidental event took place at Martin Army Hospital, Ft Benning, where many of us recall treatment for diaper rash and colic, as well as our children's ailments. The happy grandparents kept in touch from WP via **Len & Seley Fuller,** who were at bedside leading the cheers. Another genuine Class effort. Len's suggestion to christen the baby Class Reunion Kelly was sadly, but wisely shelved. Congratulations, folks, especially on your timing. Woody's biography must await a more propitious moment, as right after Christopher's graduation from college.

1954: Peters, Aguanno, and the Weatherbys.

Another unique happening was reported by **Roy Muth,** who is President of the International Snowmobile Industry Assoc in Annandale, VA. When many of the Class attended Basic Officer and Abn/Ranger courses at Benning, a senior member of our co was Bob Stafford, an NYU–ROTC graduate. He shared with us the pleasures of training, cooking in the BOQ, and driving on rare trips to the city to replenish our provisions and malaise. Bob tired of crashing helicopters and is a No VA entrepreneur. We have reminisced over tall glasses of foaming, cold coffee. With his Class spirit thus revived, Bob phoned the office of the L.A. Raiders and contacted **Bob Mischak,** who is a receiver coach and scout for that team, which was coming here to bring professional football to DC in a preseason joust with the Redskins. So Stafford met Shad at the team's hotel, and they imbibed a couple of cold coffees before and after the game, and very little during, the police said. With his Class spirit aroused, Shad phoned **Jim Williams** and **Bill Odom,** spent some time in the Pentagon getting briefed and drank more coffee. To show their gratitude, the Raiders beat DC by one run in the closing seconds. Thanks again, all of you sports lovers, and as Redskins' coach Joe Gibbs was overheard to say, "Hurry back!"

Energetic **John Bard,** Gift Committee Chairman, reports that our account has a balance of over $127,000 towards the 30th Reunion Class gift. **Jim Hayes** is waiting for all the bids on the construction drawings, upon the receipt of which the committee will determine the amount of additional funds required; keep the drachmas rolling in. John also reported that Class President **Fred Qualls** underwent surgery at Walter Reed, with **Doc Mologne** nearby, in Sept and is on his way home. Fred and **Charlene** live at 4417 Wakefield Chapel Rd., Annandale, VA 22003, tel: 703-978-4644, and would enjoy hearing from you.

On 29 Sept our daughter Dorothy was scheduled to become married in St James Church here. This was our first such experience and perhaps caused more bustles and ado than our own nuptials back in pink and green, with **Pete Leone** and **Jim Briggs** guarding the moat. On the very same day, **Ed & Jan Pawlowski's** son Ed was to perform a similar mission in Norfolk. Ed & Jan had the pleasure once before when their daughter was wed.

Newell Vinson returned to the area briefly from his sinecure in Saudi Arabia to prepare **Pat,** their son, and household for shipment abroad. Son will sojourn in Italy to attend school. Newell manages projects for Teledyne Electronics of CA.

On the subject of electronics, BG (P) **Ed Aguanno** was guest speaker at the July meeting of the No VA. chapter of the Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Assoc. By coincidence, Chapter program chairman **Yale Weatherby** and wife **Phil** were in attendance. Weatherbys live in Alexandria. Ed is Asst Dpty Undersecretary of Defense for Tactical Warfare Programs, OUSDR&E. Congratulations to Ed on his selection for promotion to MG.

Tireless **Walt Evans** informs us that he and **Jim Williams** viewed the July retirement ceremony at Ft Myer; MDW CG **John Ballantyne** hosted the proceedings. Our classmates among the retirees were **Bill Grace, Glenn Matsumoto,** and **Mark Reese.** Well done, men, and retire gracefully. Jim is Director of DIA, and Walt is a programs manager with Computer Sciences Corp at their Dallas office. Walt learned that **Ray "Squash" Cassell,** ex-1954, lives in Riverdale, NJ with his 6-year-old son and manages the post office there.

Friends, thanks for the apples, both good and bad. Don't let the doldrums of the summer slip over into fall. See if you can't do something interesting in the next 3 months. Till then, Adieu!

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I'm afraid that I must start this article on a very sad note. I was shocked, as I'm sure most of you will be, to learn of the untimely death of our classmate and friend **Reb Young.** Reb and I became good friends early during our Plebe year when a couple of southerners tried to ease our way through the "system." It seems unbelievable that he won't be with us when we all gather for our 30th reunion. Reb died on 19 June 1984 doing what he loved to do—flying. He was moving his light plane from one airport to another when a combination of a short runway, a grass strip and some thin air caused him to lose power on takeoff and crash. **Betty** felt it best that Reb be buried in Winchester, VA where Betty will be living at The Summit. I know that Betty will be glad to see any of you who are around Winchester. A short update on the Young family—daughter Betsy is married to a dental student at UWV; daughter Susan is studying in CO; and son Robert is at home with Betty. We will all miss you Reb.

1955: Washington group

I believe our classmates in the Washington area must check to see when I'll be out of town on a business trip before scheduling a party. As you know I was lamenting the fact that I hadn't been able to get to the last several parties because I was on travel. Wouldn't you know that as I sat down to write this article, the mail came announcing a Class party on 13 October, precisely the time I'll be off again. I'm glad to report however that we have a very active Washington group. On Sunday 24 June a brunch was hosted by the **Bouchards,** the **Edwards** and the **Massons.** The Class response and attendance was exceptional and a good time was had by all. Attending were **Ed & Betsy Anderson,** and **Bill & Anita Anderson** came up from the UVA where Bill is completing his final year of law school. Also present were the **Cutchins, Doroughs, Dick Fontaine, Gerans, Giddings, Griggs, Gundersons, Martins, McJoynts, Mullans, Nidevers, Schepps, Volkstadts** and the **Wargowskys. Carla Sydenham** attended with the Mullans and is preparing to move to Salt Lake to join **Stan.**

As you can tell from the photos the Washington group seems to be prospering.

Received a note from **Jim Ryan** indicating that he had received his PhD from the Walden U Institute of Advanced Studies on 29 August 1984. Congratulations Jim.

Since **Bob Wray** was too busy (?) to keep us informed on the progress of his outstanding family his son Bill took pity on his Dad's class scribe and wrote a nice newsy note. Son Patrick graduated first in the USMA Class of 1984. He is presently attending Le-

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1955: Washington group

high U to get a Master's degree in Civil Engineering, having received a National Science Foundation Fellowship which allowed him to attend grad school before troop duty. Bill graduated in the Class of 1980, also receiving a National Science Foundation Fellowship. Bill received his Master's from Stanford, spent two years in a combat engineer bn, and now is the ops officer for the post engineer at Ft Leavenworth. **Bob & Rosanne** will have three new grandchildren added to the family in 1984 (for a total of four). Son Rob, USNA '79, just finished a tour on the nuclear cruiser USS **Mississippi,** on which he was involved in the Lebanon deployment and the D-Day commemoration services. He recently had a son, Robert O. Wray III, and transferred to a Navy nuclear reactor in Idaho. Daughter Kristin lives with her husband Mike (a former naval officer) in FL. Daughter Kieran returned in May from a year of college in Scotland and is now back in school at the College of Charleston, which youngest daughter, Devon, also attends. **Rosanne** is a professor there. Bob retired in 1976 as a colonel in the AF. He and Rosanne built a beautiful log house on five rural acres on John's Island, about 25 minutes from Charleston. Bob runs a log home distributorship from the house and is building a second small home right on the water there (probably to house all the existing and expected grandchildren). He just bought his dream sailboat and Bob and Rosanne plan to sail around the world in it someday. Thanks for the note Bill. Bob, take a lesson from your son!

1955: Wray on his sailboat

Patt Klung, who married **Hank** in 1981, accused him of keeping her a secret so Hank wrote to bring us up to speed on the Klungs' whereabouts. Hank retired from the AF in 1978 and went to work for Lockheed in Burbank, CA. Transfers with Lockheed have taken him to San Francisco, the Goddard Space Flight Center, and in Jul of this year to Austin, TX where Hank is with Lockheed's new Austin division. They both plan to be at the 30th reunion.

Was over at DIA's new headquarters at Bolling AFB the other day and ran into **Dick Masson** who likes his current assignment at DIA.

Doc Schow who now lives in Tallahassee, FL has been selected to serve as the general counsel to the State Board of Administration of FL. The principal duties of the Board are investing the state's $7 billion System Trust Fund (pension funds) and $2 billion of short-term investment funds of local governments and acting as the trustee for the state's bond programs. Sounds as if all those dollars will keep Doc plenty busy.

John Lovell wrote that he will be leaving the UIN at the end of the month to spend a year at Carlisle Barracks as a visiting research professor at the Strategic Studies Institute of the AWC. John was in Carlisle in 1978-79 in a teaching capacity. **Norm Smith & Vi** will be there, and John & **Joanne** are looking forward to seeing them. In late May John made a trip to Ft Bragg for a conference at the School of International Studies of the SWC. He was delighted that the visit included a speech by the CG of the center, BG **Bob Wiegand.** John also was fortunate to have a briefing by his deputy, COL **Dave "Pembo" Pemberton,** in his inimitable no-nonsense, good-humored style.

Ed Trobaugh was the featured speaker at the Founders Day dinner in Indianapolis in March, which John attended. Ed gave an engaging presentation on the Grenadan operation in which Ed and the 82d played a major role. Ed is from Kokomo, IN, and his parents attended the Founders Day festivities.

Dorothy and I are planning a trip to New York City in early Nov and will be getting together with **"Kelly" & Trudie Lichtenberg.** At that time I'll get updated on reunion gift plans.

At this writing the prospects for the Army team look better than they have in recent years. Beat Navy!

Since this article will appear in Dec all the Goldstein's want to wish all of you the happiest of holiday seasons, and we send our fondest wishes for a healthy New Year.

Everyone should have received the basic Reunion information in Oct. If you haven't already done so the top priority is to make your motel reservation. Next, send in your biographical data to **Dan Ludwig.** Finally if you haven't contributed or are behind in your pledge to the Class gift fund—it's never too late! The next mailing about the reunion will be in mid-January. If you need more information sooner call **Bob Strati,** 914-446-5773.

See you at the 30th.

'56

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The Class of '56 is continuing its strong leadership role in today's Army. The **Army Times** announced a few months ago that several of our best should be pinning on their second star soon. Those names approved by President Reagan to be MG and forwarded to the Senate for confirmation are **Eugene Fox, Tom Griffin, Bob Hammond, Mark Sisinyak** and **George Withers.** The **Times** also announced that **Jim Beal's** name was among those chosen to be a MG in the Army Reserve. It is also worthy of note that **Charlie Bagnal** served as a member of the prom bd for the active Army candidates. Tom Griffin is ADC 3rd Arm Div, Germany. Bob Hammond is ADCS for Combat Devl, TRADOC, Ft Monroe. Mark Sisinyak is CG, Engr Div, Missouri R, Omaha. George Withers is Dpty Asst Chf of E (Fac Engr and Family Housing), OCE, Wash DC. Jim Beal has a thriving law practice in the San Fernando Valley of CA and is Cdr, 311th Spt Cmd (Corps). Eugene Fox was CG BMDSCOM and more recently was named BMD Prog Mgr in the OCSA, with duty station in Huntsville, AL. I'm certain all of you will join me in toasting these well deserved promotions and will do your best to congratulate these guys in person at the first opportunity.

Thanks to **Bob Sorley,** I also received another interesting article from the **Army Times** which discusses what **John Foss,** CG Inf Cen at Ft Benning, thinks of our light anti-tank weapon (LAW) needs, and what his org is doing to establish requirements for the new "light division" concept. It is certainly reassuring to know that the training of our Infantry Basic Officer Candidates and other leaders is in John's hands.

Bob Schuler announced that his dau Kristin married Christopher McConnell on 4 Aug 1984. The couple honeymooned in Portugal. Kristin, a 1983 grad of Vassar, is with Societe Generale at the Rockefeller Center in New York City. Christopher, a 1983 graduate of Rutgers, is with E.F. Hutton in NYC. Bob also announced his own recent engagement to Countess Therese Cochrane de Alencar, nee von Essen, widow of the late Brazilian Ambassador, Jose Cochrane de Alencar. Bob saw **Mike & Jane Lion** at Kristin's wedding, but hasn't seen any other classmates recently. As most of you know, the last issue of the ASSEMBLY noted the death of **Lowell G. (Smitty) Smith.** Bob would very much appreciate having any additional information concerning Smitty. Those who have news to share can contact Bob by addressing correspondence to him c/o General Delivery, APO New York, NY 09678.

Chuck Hunter reminded me that I am still having trouble with names. I started my last article by referring to him as "Jim Hunter" and concluded by getting his name right. Chuck, I hate to admit how many times this has happened, but if I work at it for another 28 years or so I may just improve my average a little (but don't count on it!).

Received a welcome call from **Jack Bray** the other day. He was hoping I could tell him **George Stapleton's** latest phone number; however, I only knew that George and family are now living somewhere in the Los Angeles area. George, if you see this, please call Jack at (516) 442-5074 in Sacramento, CA. Let me know where you are also, so I can bug you occasionally too. Jack Bray's wife, **Martha,** is with GTE and heavily involved in their SPRINT Program. Their daughter Carolyn is a junior at Sacramento State (accounting major), their son Randy, USMA '82, is a 1LT stationed in Germany and their other son, Mark, is a jr at the UCA at Santa Barbara (geography major). Mark is also a life guard and was one of those who helped with the Olympic events in this area. Jack has seen **Bill Beck,** a real estate investment exec in the Sacramento area, **Paul Greisen,** an attorney near him, **Al Thelin,** who lives in Placerville, CA, and **Chuck Gorlinski,** who resides in Carmichael, CA. Unfortunately, I forgot to ask Jack Bray what he is "up to," so we will save that for another day.

Our Class 4th of July party was at **Art & Alicia Evans'** home overlooking Manhattan Beach in the Los Angeles area. Art is reno-

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vating the entire house and has a breathtaking view of the beach and most of the CA coast line in this area. As nearly as I could determine, the following classmates and their families helped Art & Alicia eat enough hot dogs, hamburgers, cake, ice cream and what-have-you to satisfy a normal half-starved battalion: **Tom Cody, Ted Dayharsh, Lisle Kendall, Ted Grant, Dex Shaler, Jerry Skatvold** and **Bob Stein.** If I missed a few, please forgive me, because it was a large gathering of classmates and many other close friends of the Evans. While at the party, I learned that Tom Cody is an exec with a technology training group which does its thing world-wide. **Ted & Judy Grant** have purchased a Century 21 real estate franchise in the Lake Gregory area of Southern CA and **Lisle Kendall** is a system engr with the Hughes Space & Comm Gp in El Segundo, CA. Lisle and his wife, **Ann,** have a son, Scott (11).

Betty & I greatly enjoyed our Olympic "experience" and were privileged to see all of the track and field events. Presently, we are helping our dau Carolynn to get settled in her condominium in Los Angeles. She will be a grad student at UCLA starting the fall of '84 and has two other part time jobs with TRW and in the City of Alhambra Planning Department to gain additional work experience as well as cover some of her living expenses.

Once again Betty & I are looking forward to a large batch of holiday greetings and news reports from many of you this year, and hope that you are as fortunate as we are at this time in your lives.

'57

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Happy New Year—5745 that is; and congratulations to **Bill Ray, Ed Soyster** and **J. D. Smith.** Ed and J. D. have been selected for MG, and Ed was frocked when he took command of INSCOM at Arlington Hall Station in Virginia. J. D. is the ADCS for Training, TRADOC. Bill was selected for BG and his selection is indicative of the fact that sometimes deserving individuals are actually rewarded, if they're patient and willing to wait for the system to work. One more victory for '57. Speaking of generals, **Hardin Olson** is now Ch, Strat Plans and Resource Analysis Agency, JCS, Washington, DC; **Don Kutyna** has joined RDS on the AF staff in the Pentagon and is working on space programs; **Bob Drudik** is the ADCSO, FORSCOM; **Hank Hatch** has become the Asst Ch of E in the Pentagon; and **Bill Webb** has been assigned to SHAPE as DACSI, leaving immediately. He wrote something for me in Chinese, but I obviously don't know what it says and I wouldn't even attempt to reproduce it. Thanks anyway Bill.

The Class had another very successful party on 22 September (even if there was about 200 pounds of barbeque left over) at the home of **Bud & Nancy Langworthy.** The party was set up by **Champ & Pat Buck, Bill & Pat Seely, Bud & Sue Miller** and the Langworthy's—for which we are all appreciative. Bill told me that they did the planning (the men, that is) in a DC restaurant called King Arthurs, a place they highly recommend and which is staffed by very friendly wenches. Put it on your "places to visit" list for your next trip to DC. **John & Barbara Hocker** were at the party, and John said he's retiring on 30 Sept. Check the next issue for details about his post retirement plans. Their daughter Connie is a sr at N. AZ Univ in Flagstaff, and son Guy is a 3rd cl at the USAFA. **Chicky & Dick Fadel's** son was married to Barbara Jenkins on 1 Sept at the Ft Myer Chapel. I also received a couple of $100 checks for the class fund at the party, as well as four in the mail. Keep it up—I love to get checks in the mail, and we need the money.

1957: Lindholms, Hicklins, Pat Murphys, Pore, and Ellington

Jack (the Duke) **Ellington** wrote from Denver and sent a picture taken at the Fitzimmons O'Club on Founders Day. Unfortunately, two of the ladies missed the fun. His wife **Liz** was in FL (fortunate for her though) and **Marci Pore** was unable to attend. Jack mentioned that their table was so rowdy that '57 won't be invited back next year or probably ever. Jack also mentioned the June party at the **Hicklins** that was reported on by **Bill Ray** in the last issue. Apparently **Bill Foster** is also in the Denver area, but hasn't joined the group yet. Get with it, Bill. **Jack Murphy** was elected VP of the Denver WPA, which is an especially noteworthy achievement since "Coop the Snoop" is the president. You may remember him from our Beast Barracks days. A thought for **Brian Kennedy.** If the troops in Denver could vote in NJ they'd all support your quest for a Congressional seat. However, you'll have to settle for their good wishes. We'll all check the papers on 3 Nov.

Got two letters from **Sam Focer** within 60 days (now I believe in miracles). In Jul he wrote about the wedding of **Fox McCarthy** to **Barbara Holder** in the Chapel at Big Canoe, GA. "Barbara is a lovely lady that Fox met two years ago." **Hal Jordan** and Sam were happy witnesses to the event, as were Barbara's three children (2 sons, 1 daughter) and Fox's two sons. Sounds like the right size family. Congratulations to you all. You may recall that Fox owns/operates a medical oxygen service in Atlanta. Barbara is the Rockdale County Extension Dir for the UGA College of Agriculture. Sam also sent along his business card, which says he's the Sr Loss Control Consultant for American Mutual Insurance Co's. In the Sept letter he included a check (good man!) and made the point that Hal Jordan is still a bonafide bachelor.

So much for **Fred Smith** being the last of the breed. I got a picture from Fred of his bride-to-be (he's there too) and it should be gracing the column. I just missed them at the 22 Sept party. Seems they had to leave early—hmm!

Got a lovely wedding invite which said that **Carolyn Gaspard's** son, Trey (Glaudi Pierre Gaspard III) was to be married to Karon **Denise Young** on 17 August at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Texarkana, TX. This being 2 Oct, I assume the happy occasion took place and offer my congratulations on behalf of the Class.

I found a card in my stack of "things" that says **Jack Gleason** now works for the TRW Def Sys Gp in Falls Church, VA.

Bruce Glen called while he was in D.C. on business, and I made a few frantic notes. He promised to write, but you know about those promises. He'll have to write now, though, in order to correct the misinformation I'm about to pass out. He's the CO of the DLA Depot in Ogden, Utah. His daughter Susan is married, lives in Omaha and is attending Dental Sch. Daughter Amy is married and living in Chicago. His son Andrew graduated from USMA, is at Sill in the basic course and is going to Germany. Son Benjamin is a soph at Marion College in Indianapolis; daughter Jennifer was the valedictorian of her HS and received a full scholarship to the U of Dayton. Daughter Laura is a sophomore in HS and son Matt—finally

1957: Can you name this crew?

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reached the last Glen—is nine. The last note I have is that **Peg** is enjoying Utah.

Rod McConnell gave me some notes at the party about his visit to **Syd & Gerre Britt** in Columbia, SC. Regrettably, Gerre is in Brian Center of Columbia with MS. The address is 3514 Sidney Road, and the phone number is (803) 798-9715. I know she'd like to hear from friends. Syd is retired, working on an MBA and getting ready to start his own consulting business. He also has a sailboat on Lake Murray, near Columbia, in case you're headed that way. Rod also wrote that **Dan & Lanier McCrary** are in Richmond, where Dan is the Dir of Admissions at VA Commonwealth U. On a personal note, Rod's son Bob graduated from OCS at Benning on 10 August and is now at Ft Knox. Rod is still a consultant in the DC area, but I'm not sure what he consults about.

1957: Fred Smith and bride-to-be

Bill Murphy wrote from Newtown Square, PA and said "Greetings at long last from Philadelphia!" Seems that **Bill Burke** was taking an insurance course at American U (he's now an agent for New York Life) in nearby Bryn Mawr. Now I'm really confused—and I used to be able to read maps. **Brian Kennedy** was supposed to join them but was busy campaigning. In case you skipped over the earlier notes, Brian is running for Congress in NJ. Bill Murphy noted that we now have four classmates in the Philly area (to include **Tony Albright, Jack Apperson** and **Tom Rush**) and suggested that we ought to get something going for the Army/Navy Game. It may be a little late for this year, but I suggest that those who are interested should contact Bill for next year. His telephone number is (215) 353-5247. In the meantime he's keeping busy working for Amtrak and **Marilyn** is a speech therapist with Delaware County. Their oldest, Bridget, is a frosh on a Presidential scholarship at Loyola College in Baltimore; son Brian is a soph at St. Joe's Prep in Philly and son Kevin is in 6th grade.

Joe Quiros wrote from New York (and enclosed a check for the Class fund—thank you) to say that he and **Marje** are still there and would like to see classmates passing through. They live in the city all week and retreat to their country estate in CT for the weekends. Joe is now the Gp President of the United Fruit Co's Diversified Ops (Part of United Brands Co.), and still manages to get up to WP on occasion for sports events. He says the thrill is still there, and I know exactly how he feels. Joe also mentioned that their son Tom graduated from the UTX this year.

Russ Ramsey sent me his latest publication, a compilation of his articles which were published in the Albany (GA) **Journal**, sports section, about the Olympic Games. The series was dedicated to the Rev Eric H. Liddell, whom you may remember from "Chariots of Fire," and is really very good. Thank you, Russ.

I must apologize for not including the info from the next letter, which was from **Paula (Rose) Russo** in the last column. It contained some **old** pictures she got from her mother—dating back to the summer of 1956—and in showing them around I misplaced the letter. One of the pictures is included—can you identify yourself? your date? Paula wrote to say that both the **Trent Rose** and **Joe Russo** clans are alive and thriving. Joe is teaching high school math and business courses at El Paso Community College, and Paula is working with him in their part time wedding photography business, aptly called JoRu Photography. They got into the business when Trent's daughter was married and the photographer blew the wedding pictures. If you know someone getting married in El Paso, tell them to contact the Russos. Their sons, Sam and Paul are both working in El Paso, and Paul is keeping the military link alive by staying active in the Navy reserve. Trent Rose is still in Germany, where he works for BDM, and had the company of **Shirley** and their two unmarried daughters this summer. They have two married daughters, one in Ft Worth and one in Denver, and one more daughter in college in San Marcos. That makes five daughters; somehow it doesn't seem strange that his first two grandchildren are also girls, bless them. Trent's comment on learning of his second granddaughter was "what else?" Paula mentioned that there were no other classmates at Bliss at Founder's Day this year, and the new grads seem awfully young.

Bernice & I went to the ret parade and ceremony for **Bob Stevens** on 19 July at Ft Myer and it was really very impressive. His last job was CO Ft Myer and consequently he got his own parade with participation of all of the various units from MDW, to include the Old Guard and the Fife and Drum Corps. A lot of classmates were present and all had a gala time at the reception which followed. **Bob, Nancy** and their five children are off to Tacoma, WA where Bob will go to work for RDA.

1957: The Burkes and Bill Murphys

Bob Tener sent a note and Founders Day picture taken at the Dallas Country Club. He is the Dir of Engr in Dallas for Gresham, Smith and Partners, a top quality engineering services group (no. 92 in the ENR top 500 design firms and 5th largest hosp design firm in the nation). Bob said he did a very thorough and deliberate second-career search and is convinced that planning and strategy for transition is both possible and beneficial. If you'd like to find out exactly how he went about it, drop him a note. He'll be happy to share his transition experience, which he termed "stimulating and challenging" with you.

Wilt Wittman wrote a brief note to thank the Class for our gift to his son (we sent a tray vice the ice bucket since they're no longer available to us), and also included a check. I'm beginning to think raising money through the mail could be fun. After all, it's for a good cause.

1957: The Teners, Bryans, Parkers, Murtlands, and Gantt

Jerry & Ann Zabriskie wrote from Boise, ID to honor the promise they made to me at the 25th Reunion. Better now than never, especially since they also included a check. Jerry included a thank you to **Sue Miller** for her efforts on the Reunion book, and I include it here because the same comment appeared in most of the letters I've received the last two years and it is certainly earned. Also, we need to start Sue thinking about a book for the 30th. Back to the news. Jerry has returned to active duty after a 13 year break, and is the mobilization planner for the ID Army NG. This means that he'll actually be able to retire with 20 years active duty about a year after our 30th. As he said, he's probably the oldest LTC around, having had to start from zero time as a res major when he joined the NG in 1979. **J. D. Smith** visited him in June to check out Gowen Field (which includes Boise Airport) a base belonging to the Idaho NG, as a possible Armor training site. Apparently it has lots and lots of miles of nothing—ideal for tankers.

I have no more letters or news. Write soon—and send your check for the Class fund.

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Thirty-third column. Once again I'm late, but being late has its rewards. Army 33—Harvard 10. **Judy**, David, & I went to the game on 6 Oct. We went up with **Bill, Mary Jane & Mary Parks.** Great game, great weekend. While there we tailgated with **Garry & Jill Roosma** who only fed about 20 or so plus firstclassmen Meg Roosma, Peter Jones, and myriad other firsties. Not sure how Garry & Jill managed it, but they did.

A couple of good news, bad news items. Good news: **Chuck Teeter and Linc Jones** were on the 19 Jul MGs list. Bad news: we only had two on the list. Good news: **Dick Reynard and Mike Harvey** were on the 1 Oct BGs list. Bad news: again, we only had two on the list. Congratulations to Chuck and Linc for doubling their stars and to Dick and Mike for gaining theirs.

A few items missed when I did the 30 Jun column. Sad news: **Chuck Toftoy** buried his mother in Arlington Cemetery on 16 Jan. Not missed in Jun, but in the same sad vein, **Jim Ramsden** buried his father in Arlington

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in Aug and **Butch Ordway** had the same duty for his mother in late Sep. There is little one can say.

Back to items missed in Jun. **George Lawton** called to tell me that **George Hall** is back in DC with Computer Systems Corp in Crystal City. Lawton also told me that **Paul Schonberger** is in DC. My next note is "23 stitches, skiing." Not sure whether the remark goes with Lawton, Hall or Schonberger. Whoever had the stitches, hope you are recovered now that it is almost time to start skiing again. Also hope you don't have a repeat this year! **Sam Myers** called last Mar to say that the Phoenix Founder's Day had three classmates in attendance: **Sam, Brad Eliot, and Al Pensiero.** Mr Lewis, retired from the PE Dept and living in Sun City, famous for his gymnasium happy hour, was also there. At an ADPA meeting in San Jose, Sam saw **Carl Sullinger.**

1958: Lee and Jack May

My next note is on the back of a yellow phone slip with **Marc Sigurski's** number on it, dated 15 Mar. It says, "**Tony Nadal**—Carlisle, **Corky Corcoran**—Richmond, **Pete Hidalgo**—Edgewood, **Jim Peck**—Annapolis." Perhaps it was a position report from Marc, beats me. I also had a phone call from **Frank Waskowicz,** no news. Frank ret in Jan and is with Burdeshaw Associates. A short note from **Gale Robertson** before she and **George** left Saudi Arabia for Portland. Gale wrote, "We continue to enjoy it over here—especially the traveling part—was wonderful seeing **Pichitra Kullavanijaya** in Bangkok last month (our matchmaker)." She sent along another good picture of the Robertsons in formal attire.

1958: West Point Society of Peru

Up to date, on to current mail. FIFO this time (first in, first out). **Jack May** wrote that he and **Lee** were married on 16 Jun. Many of us got to meet Lee at the 25th Reunion. According to Jack they were leaving on a 70-day trip around the world, "from here to CA, then on to Japan, both Chinas, Hong Kong, Thailand, India, Nepal, Egypt, Greece, Italy, France, etc. Debriefing on completion of the mission." Jack called from somewhere to find out how to reach **Pete Kullavanijaya** in Bangkok. Seventy days are about up, so I am waiting for the end of mission report.

Jack Bradshaw wrote in Jul, providing info on our Memorial Fund which "grew dramatically during the year ending 1 Apr 1984." On 1 Apr 83 (before our 25th reunion) we had $12,077.30. Our balance on 31 Mar 84 was $21,151.20 to which was added interest income of $2,273.89 for a grand total of $23,425.09. **Tony Smith,** Chairman of our Memorial Fund since last winter, has been quietly raising the dough. Watch it grow when you start to hear from him!

Short note from **Bill Tuttle** who is back in DC as the Cdr of OTEA. No news, but he did provide a picture from his promotion ceremony which I asked him for at one of the **ANCC Sigurski** luncheons (remember, 2d Fri of even numbered months, a math formula which all are expected to spec, not hive).

Phil DiMauro wrote from Peru in Sep. He's the Army Attache there and sent along the picture of the "West Point Society of Peru." There are two Peruvian grads in addition to our classmate, **Juan Villanes:** Jorge Pereyra Meiggs '52 and Gonzalo (Max) Casas also '52. Juan spent about seven years in the Peruvian Army. He is now the Exec Dir of Consorcio Geoscource, Inc, a petroleum exploration and drilling co. Phil expects to return to DC area in the summer of 85. Thanks for letter and picture.

1958: Pointer, Stamie Giallaurakis, Roosma

Gary Kosmider wrote after seeing "the photos of so many A-2ers in the Sep ASSEMBLY" which "shamed me into picking up pen." He & **Mary** returned from two years in Korea, just in time to attend their son Jon's wedding in Tucson on Fri, 13 Jul. Jon received an RA commission from Northern AZ U ROTC. He and new bride Donna were honeymooning enroute the AG Basic Course at Ft Ben Harrison. Gary is the commander of USA Info Sys Cmd Agency, White Sands. He extends an invitation to classmates coming through the area to "look us up for some shade and a cool drink."

Garry Roosma wrote before the recent football weekend and asked me to quote his letter. Here goes, "**Bob Pointer's** command at the Armaments Research and Devl Center hosted an Advanced Planning Briefing for Industry in early Sep. This event was attended by **Ben Pellegrini** (Day & Zimmerman), **Neil Williamson** (Hughes Aircraft), **Bill Giallourakis** (Patent Attorney) and Gary Roosma (FMC). Bob's command hosted an outstanding briefing. It was informative and well run."

The letter continues, "Attended the wedding of Cynthia (Cindy Degen) on 8 Sep at Newburgh. **Sylvia,** her mother, did an outstanding job in organizing a lovely wedding. Mr. Frank Degen, Bob's father, gave the bride away, and Frank Degen, Jr, Bob's younger brother, assisted Sylvia very nicely in many of the details for the wedding. Sylvia has done a tremendous job raising her three children and deserves a lot of credit for her hard work. I know that Bob would be proud of them all."

1958: The Kosmiders in Korea

And the letter continues (now you'll see why Garry wanted me to quote the letter), "Rumors from very high-placed and reliable sources have it that **George Sibert** spends his late hours at the Pentagon playing video games." Guilty as charged. I was playing "Battlesight," a video game tank gunnery training device developed by DARPA and ARI. I loved it. I called **Jack Bradshaw** at Recruiting Command to recommend that he use "Battlesight" in his recruiting efforts.

Garry's last item was a picture of **Roosma** and **Pointer** presenting Stamie **Giallourakis** with an American Defense Preparedness Assn $1000 scholarship. Stamie and three others were selected on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, and community involvement. Congratulations, Stamie.

The next portion must be called the I-2 Report. Four letters from I-2 files. In order of receipt. First, **Jim Ramsden** wrote about **Paul Bons'** retiring from the BS&L Dept, USMA. Paul first went to WP as an instructor in MP&L in 1967. From 67 till his recent departure, Paul spent 12 of 17 years at WP. He became a PAP in 1978 and taught courses ranging from general psychology to organizational systems and theory. He also edited the textbook **Leadership and Organizations.** The text was published in 1981 and is used at WP and by many ROTC and non-military college programs as well. **Paul & Elaine** will go to Salt Lake City where Paul will conduct executive leadership training and development for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Charley Glover wrote to identify the Yearlings in the picture: **Bob Huskinson, Fred Seiler, and Jim Ramsden,** "all I-2 'Hives.'" Charley went on, "I'm sure a couple dozen folks have also written and/or called." Wrong. You were the first of three. Glover is still in the Hampton, VA area teaching math and "still alive."

The second letter was from **Tom (nee TK) Smith** from Minnetonka. He wrote on impressive "Tom Smith Associates, Inc" stationery to let us know that he now works for the Cold Spring Granite Co. Cold Spring is a small community about 80 miles northwest of Minnetonka ("yes, there is something north of here"). Tom hasn't moved to Cold Spring yet, but plans to next year. A major job he is working on involves granite for the new capitol project in Harrisburg, PA. While there TK may run into **Frank Wright,** who still works for the governor of PA, I think.

Back to TK's letter. He also identified the Yearlings in the picture correctly. He asked if he won the prize? No prize, certainly none

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for second place. Thanks for the letter. It is sad to think that I'll be losing my Minnetonka connection. However, Cold Spring also has a brewery, which isn't all bad for a beer can collecting Scribe.

Tom's son, Brian, 8, recently was a model for Trix cereal. If you eat Trix and/or look at a box in the supermarket, Brian is with several others as part of a family. According to Tom, he's the one with blond hair and blue eyes. His eldest, TK Jr, is in third year at AFA. He can still see and wants to fly after graduation in 1986. Tom also has a daughter, Wendy Sue, who is 15, a soph in HS with her learner's permit. So it goes. TK did go on to add that he'd try to make a DC luncheon, but that he can't figure out the formula. Scribe can't believe an engineer either couldn't do it or would admit to it.

1958: Huskinson's trophies

Again, **2d Fri of even numbered months.** To make it easy, the next few are 12 Oct (the first Fri was 5th, Oct is the 10th month, or one of the even numbered months of which there are six total), 14 Dec, **8 Feb, 12 Apr, 14 Jun, 9 Aug, 11 Oct, and 13 Dec. The last six are next year, 1985,** an odd numbered year which has no impact on the formula.

My fourth I-2 letter is from **Bob Huskinson,** one of the Yearlings in the picture. Bob is in his 19th yr as an attorney in southern CA; his law office stationery says Manhattan Beach, CA. He's also in his 12th year as a Superior Court Judge, Pro-tem (that means, he explained, judge from time to time). Bob has several avocations. "Since 1970, I've been going to Africa on a hunting safari—Tanzania, Sudan, Zimbabawe, Zambia, Zaire, Ethiopia, C.A.E., South Africa, Kenyaz, Angola, Mozambique—for a month or so every year. Enclosed is a picture of corner of trophy room with yours truly, **Joyce**—dated here at USMA—son Jay. Also, I recently purchased a safari company in Tanzania with a couple of friends. I've a kennel of hunting dogs and for the past four years, some timber wolves."

Bob writes that **Neil Williamson** lives "a minute away" in Hermosa Beach. Neil is a PM at Hughes for the XK1 tank sight. They manage lunch once or twice a month and recently had lunch with "the elusive **John Rave.**" John is chief financial officer for MULTACC, a doorlock mfgr. He lives in Torrance.

Iz Warren Rubel ("yes, spelling change" according to Bob) is presently VP and Chief of Sales for ESSI, International, a company in genetic engineering selling products for toxic waste disposal. They get together often. **Bob Julian** also lives a minute away in Redondo Beach. He is Facilities Mgr for TRW. **"Larry Hunt** is in La Jolla in hibernation."

Of classmates Bob Huskinson writes to occasionally: **"Charley Glover** is teaching school in Hampton, VA. We write 15 page philosophical letters back & forth. He occasionally runs into **Mike Dugan,** who is leaving for Europe and probably has his second star as of this writing (an aside by the Scribe, the letter was written on 25 Sep and provides news of USAF promotions . . . wish that some USAF type would help keep us up to date by sharing info with me). They both collect guns & Porsches.

Bernie Card retired to Boise, where he is Idaho's most prominent trout fisherman and invites all of us working men to visit and see what we're missing. He also just got his second MBA—in May. **Pete Groh** is OH River Dist Engr in Cincinnati (an aside, Pete might be the Dpty Div Engr, not sure)."

Huskinson says he enjoyed the Yearling picture of **Jim Ramsden, Fred Seiler and himself.** Bob asks, "Has anybody ever heard from Fred Seiler?" Bob suggests that we each dig up all our old cadet prints and have them available at the 30th reunion. Good idea. Super letter.

Miscellaneous. **Phil Pryor** called to say he'd gotten a card from the world traveling **May,** from the Ritz in Taipei, telling about a 4 Sep 84 article in the **China Post** describing the military reshuffle in Thailand with **Pete's** move from Dep Cdr to Cdr of the First Royal Thai Army as a LTG. Lieutenant General!

1958: Tuttle's promotion to MG by VCSA and Helen

Phil also told me about his summer leave in FL with **Chantal.** While there the Pryors saw **Bob Higgins** and Kit Young before the latter two went to LA for the Olympics. Back in FL with the Pryors on leave, all four went to the beach with Bob Higgins at 165 in his Speedo suit looking like a Greek God decrying the "AA," average Americans. Phil said that he was white and felt like a beached whale alongside the bronzed Higgins.

Chuck Profilet stopped in my office recently, a great alternative to letters or phone calls. Room 3E412, Pentagon. Chuck, Jr was married on 6 May to Anne Sweeney in Houston. **Larry Sutherland** attended the wedding. Larry is still in Austin. Chuck had seen **Dick Price** recently. Dick works for Grumman Aerospace in Hampton, VA. Perhaps Dick Price and **Charley Glover** can drive up for a Class luncheon. With great restraint I'll not repeat the formula, nor the dates, nor the place, but I will tell them and you all that the time is 1145!

Bill Ganey recently attended a two-week course at Harvard, National and Intl Security Prog. **Chuck Teeter** on a recent trip to Europe saw **Dick Graves,** Cdr of 3d Arm Div. He also saw Lts Deely and Hruby. Did anyone identify **Don Williams** in the Geo Washington TV mini-series? Scribe saw the credits, "Don Neal" (his "professional" name), but did not see Don.

I have a copy of **"The Once Over . . . Lightly, A Practical Look at Protocol"** by Bib Reynard. You can order your copy for $2.50 from Lite Lines, PO Box 10003, Arlington, VA 22210. The original copyright was 1981; my copy is from the second printing. Not bad. Bibs' bottom line, i.e., last line is "Courtesy and caring are the real secrets of success." How true.

1958: The Robertsons

At the 10 Aug luncheon the long distance honors were shared by **Bill Cibosky,** CA, and **Butch Saint** in from 1st Arm Div, Germany. Our First Captain, **Bob Durkin,** was AWOL from lunch formation according to **Terry Connell.** AWOL reminds me that **Bob Pointer** was AWOL from the P-rade on 6 Oct. He and Roosma stayed at the tailgate on Howze Field. Sat next to **Jim & Mary Ruth Peck** during the Harvard game. They were visiting their Plebe son Jim. They are three for three on service academy off-spring: Dan Peck, USMA 1983; their daughter is a first-classman at USNA (that's right, Navy). Run down on sons and daughters at USMA in the next column. This one goes in the mail. Write, call, visit.

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We graduated 499 strong in 1959. Of the 499, 455 went into the Army, 43 into the AF, 7 into the MC, 2 into civilian life, and 2 were foreign cadets. At the quarter-century mark, there are 109 members on active duty in the Army (including two MGs and ten BGs), 19 in the AF (including one MG and one BG), and four in the MC. There is also one BG, USAR. We have 157 retirees, 166 civilians, and 42 of our number are deceased. Of the deceased, two of our cadet companies, H1 and K2, have been hit the hardest with five apiece.

1959: 25th Reunion

Of the 187 classmates attending our 25th Reunion at WP on the weekend of 14-16 Sept, seven were ex-cadets (**Ferris, Fogel, Freeman, Rick George, Patterson, Tardiff,** and **Turpin**); one, **George Bean,** was an honorary 59er; and four were represented by widows

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(**Mary Anderson, Joannie Poole, Wallis Ann Wands,** and **Nancy Warren**). Our cadet companies F2 and I2 had the most returnees with 12 each. Close behind with 11 apiece were A1 and M2. Adding wives and children, our returning ranks swelled to almost 400, with 392 the most in attendance at any one event.

Freeman Howard, who in real life runs the WP hospital, whisked us smoothly through registration at the Thayer on Fri. The brainstorm that began the weekend on a note of nostalgic hilarity was to enclose the registration material in our old cadet 201 file folders, complete with vital statistics, entrance exam scores, and the wide-eyed mugshots in Class shirts of 29 summers ago. Class aides briefed us, passed out tickets, key chains and tie tacks, and kept the line moving. One poster we were handed said, "At West Point, much of the history we teach was made by people we taught."

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Charlie Johnson, normally the CAO at WP, was our czar of cuisine for the weekend. The cocktail buffet on Fri night found most of us trying to work in a few bites here and there between greetings for old friends. Conversations usually included remarks on the good turnout. A classmate with a beard noted that several others had beards, and one with a bald head said he felt happily at home in our crowd. But what almost everyone noticed was the genuine delight at seeing one another and the comfortable good time all seemed to be having. Some conversations appeared to simply take up where they had left off during cadet days. The "Benny Havens" hour resumed after dinner and lasted into the wee hours.

Peter Stromberg of the English Dept had arranged Sat morning's agenda, and by dribs and drabs we straggled into the WPOC for a business meeting where the Supe greeted us and gave a brief rundown on the state of the Academy. Memorable statistics were that 860 graduated this year and that 1,401 new plebes were admitted out of almost 14,000 applicants. Among the new chain of command this year is the first female regimental commander.

Pete Dawkins reviewed for us the decision and the efforts to seek tax-exempt status for the Class fund, and he commended the work of **Jack Knebel** and his law partner, Bert Harding, for what Pete called the almost impossible task of herding these efforts through the IRS approval process. Approval achieved, and Pete having received new contributions on Fri totalling $4,000, there followed a discussion of what to do for the Academy, and how to go about raising funds to do it.

Mart Lidy reported that at present we have given 22 pewter cups to those of our sons

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and daughters who have graduated from WP; and that we have given an annual $1,500 scholarship to a child of the Class, plus a yearly contribution to Operation Crossroads Africa. He suggested that given a minimum fund-raising effort to achieve, say, a $100,000 endowment, we might expand these existing programs and perhaps also fund some needed admissions programs, some less-well-funded team sports, or even buy a crew shell. At an endowment level of $500,000 and up, consideration might be given even the establishment of a professorship in one of the academic departments.

Mike Gillette reported on the status of the Class fund, now at about $26,000 (but seemingly growing rapidly, given **Pete's** collections of the previous night). Disbursements for current programs, made only out of income generated by the fund, are at about $2,500 per year. He pointed out that several classes have over a million dollars in trust funds generating annual incomes of $100,000 or more to support academy programs. Such a trust, he noted, is a real legacy for WP.

Following brief discussion, **Pete** received an overwhelming consensus from those present on two points. First, we want to continue funding living and ongoing programs rather than "bricks and mortar" monuments on the WP grounds; and second, we want a fund-raising effort aiming for an endowment of $500,000 or more between now and our 30th Reunion. **Mike** figured for us that that would amount to an average contribution of $200 per year per man for the next five years. Matching grants from employers as well as contributions from other sources outside the Class might also be sought.

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The meeting ended with **Pete's** announcement that the following have consented to serve as our national fund raising committee: **John Moellering, Fred Malek, Bob Shapiro, Bill Barry, Greg Kadlec, Randy Bell,** and **Jack Knebel.** We will be hearing from them.

A simple memorial service followed in the NE corner of the WPOC ballroom. **Bean** offered an invocation, **Coreth** read aloud the names of our deceased classmates, a bugler sounded taps, and **Dawkins** led us in the Cadet Prayer. The moment seemed, for the moment, to have a great deal to do with what the Reunion was all about. And then, carrying enough clothing for a variety of weather conditions (it finally rained), we strolled to Clinton Field for the group photo; and then, after that, to the Plain.

Two regiments paraded in our honor, and most of us were in place in the reviewing line for the march on. By sound off the general conversation had subsided to a quiet murmur, and, a few moments later, bursts of applause erupted here and there with the passing in review of favorite guidons, themselves dipped in salute. As the colors passed there was the usual confrontation between middle-age sag and the proper position of attention. When the last companies disappeared into sallyports and the Hellcats twirled bugles and drummed themselves an exit, we rejoined our families and accompanied them across the damp Plain for lunch in Washington Hall.

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Although there were scattered reports of wives and children being instructed in the proper passing of food and beveage, there were also reminiscences about how well we had been cared for as cadets. This feeling lingered as we were whisked away to Michie Stadium by buses waiting at the mess hall door. **Al Rushton** of the almissions office had laid on those buses, as he had the transportation for the entire weekend.

We sat high in the stands at Michie and endured a light drizzle as Army romped over Colgate 41-15. Later, **Jim Walsh** was to say that the high point of his weekend was being there for the resurgence of Army football. At the game, as elsewhere, folks congratulated the Walshes on the recent birth of a grandson, their first. **Tom Leo** allowed as he had one already and another was on the way. Word that **Bill Barry** was the father of a new five-week-old brought murmurs of great respect.

After the game, some went to the Supe's open house, some gathered in hotel rooms and bars, and still others napped in preparation for the evening's bash, a dinner dance at the WPOC arranged by **Ed Temple,** our man in the Foreign Languages Dept. As is usual at these affairs, eating and dancing took second place to greetings and animated gatherings around the room; and it became apparent that the time available for reminiscence was far shorter than the time needed. At one point **Dawkins** (don't miss him in the current ad campaign as the man in the Hathaway shirt) took the mike to thank

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Don Tillar and the others, including the Class aides, who had worked so well in making each event of the weekend a success. Later, when **Lenny Katsarsky** joined the band to sing "You are the Sunshine of my Life," the evening became truly free form.

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Katsarsky, who came in from Honolulu, may have made the longest journey to be there. Then again, perhaps it was **Margaret and Lee Nunn,** who had flown from Anchorage. **John Patterson** (ex-F1) was in from Zambia where he is with the State Dept.

Madelene & Stan Kanarowski were in from Garmisch, where Stan is the Recreation Area CO, and they had brought their two boys for a look at WP. **Larry Palmer** had come from Switzerland, **Bob Weekley** from Spain, and **Steve Klein** from Ulm, where he is with AEG-Telefunken, the West German Electronics firm. Steve remarked on how well the Class wives looked—svelte, coiffed, self-confident, and now, alas, quite outshining their once dashing husbands. Ah, me.

Martha & Joe Shea were there, having taken a break from renovating their historical 17-room house, "The Hermitage," in Brookville, IN. They have two children: Amy, a sophomore at Miami of Ohio; and Tom, who at 16 is a promising athlete who may someday score against Navy. Joe has worked for 20 years for IRD-Mechanalysis in the field of vibration analysis, and is currently training managers, engineers and others at Ford Motor Co. in that technology.

John Shock was in from Little Rock, where he is Professor and Chairman of the Ophalmology Dept. at UAMS. Classmates whom he sees the most, says John, are the other opthalmologists; namely, **Freeman Howard** of WP, **Randy Bell** of Wayne, PA and **Roger Schlemmer,** of Pittsburg, KS. And all of them were able to make the Reunion.

Nancy & Larry Ross were down from Watertown, MA, where Larry is CO U.S. Army Materials and Mechanics Research Cen. Best job he's had in the Army, he says, and he gets to see classmates in the Boston area from time to time. Son Doug is a senior at KS State; Liz, 22, graduated from BC last May and is with EDS in Rockville, MD; Cathy, 20, is a soph at UMA (Amherst) majoring in Natural Resources Management and Conservation; and Jenny, 13, is in the seventh grade. Larry says he'll retire and be looking for a job in the New England area this coming June.

Sarajane & Robert McDonald were up from Stroudsburg, PA, where Robert is an associate professor of computer science at East Stroudsburg U. They have four children: Mary (12), Coralee (11), Rosanna (6), and Arthur (4). They don't see classmates very often, but Robert knew that **Bob Burroughs** works for IBM in Wappingers Falls, NY.

Camille & Jay Warren were up from Alexandria, VA and had a great time. It was their first reunion, and they say they don't plan to miss another. Likewise from Alexandria were **Linda & Dave Cotts.** Linda teaches ESL in the Ft Hunt area, and Dave is Ch of Building Maintenance and Repair at The World Bank in DC. He is also a private consultant and lecturer on facility management. Their son Chris is a sr in aerospace engineering at NC State, is in AFROTC, and is a grad of abn school. Eric is a jr at Hampden-Sydney College, and Liza is a jr in high school.

Mary Ann & Al Phillips were also up from Alexandria. Al says he is in the DC area for attache training, and that they will be off for Brussels in '85. They see **George Day** from time to time, and he is active in local real estate.

Rody Conway came from Miami, where he is a stock broker with Prudential Bache, a new pursuit after several years of teaching. Rody was married last year, and his new wife, **Rhonda,** is busy starting what Rody believes will be the largest child care center in Miami.

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Barbara & Jerry Fogel came from KC, MO, where both are with the association management firm of Martin Fromm and Assoc. Jerry is ch staff exec for several associations, and, in addition, has a radio talk show from 6 to 9 in the morning. Son Dave is following in Dad's footsteps and is a disc jockey in Kansas City, while Mark is a USAR Special Forces trooper. The younger children, Paige and Ross, are still at home and came to the Reunion with their parents.

Caren & Jay Franz were up from Acworth, GA, where Jay is busy advising a unit of the GA Natl Gd. **Eileen & Howie Stiles** were down from Raymond, ME, where Howie is the broker for his own firm, Vacationland Realty. They live on Sebago Lake and love it. Daughter Suzanne graduates from Allentown College next May and will become an RN.

Beth & George Kleb were up from Fairfax, VA, where Beth is Dir of Nursing and Asst. Administrator at Fairfax Nursing Cen. George is CO Water Resources Support Cen, at Ft Belvoir. The classmates George sees most often are **Art Bair,** DOD IG; **Chris Thudium,** preparing for attache duty in Finland; and **Jerry Hilmes,** Cdr, North Cen Div., CE. They all made the Reunion, too. Of the Kleb children, George, 24, is studying to be a physical therapist; John, 21, is a jr at Radford U; and Tina, 18, is a student at George Mason U.

Kathy & John Harkins came from Harrisburg, PA, where John works for the state as a telecom engr and believes himself to be the only one in the Class in the Natl Gd. I guess now we'll find out if that's true. He also believes that **Gene Mikelonis** is back in PA. The Harkinses have a married daughter and thereby one grandson, and two boys; one a sr at the UIL, and the other in 10th grade.

Ina & Gil Roesler and **Ann & Carl Weaver** came from Dumfries, VA, where both Gil and Carl are with Advanced Technology, Inc. The Roeslers have twin sons in the USMA Class of '85. The Weavers' three children are Cynthia, 24, a grad student at NC State; Leslie, 21; and Jennifer, 17. Carl says **Bill Zierdt's** home phone number is (317) 844-8332.

Susan & Bill Breen were up from York, PA, where Susan is with the Chamber of Commerce, and Bill is with the BMY Div of HARSCO. Their eldest daughter, Leigh, lives in Fairfax, VA. Son Mike is an engineering student at UC (San Diego); and the youngest, Kerry, lives at home, attends Penn State, and has her own show on a local TV station. Bill notes that **Bill Zaldo** (who was at the Reunion) is 1st Div Arty Cdr at Ft Riley; and that **Bob Riordan** (not at the Reunion) is Dir of Cbt Dev, Chemical Sch, Ft McClellan, AL.

The last official event of the Reunion was brunch at the Thayer on Sunday, and, while there was lots of looking forward to the 30th, there was also great reluctance to bring the 25th to an end. Some took as long as an hour and a half between getting up to leave and finally saying the last goodbye at the door. **Don Tillar** breathed a sigh of relief. He remarked later that the assignment had been fun—a pleasure to work once again with a committee of classmates. The only frustration worth mentioning, he said, was the difficulty in finding our current mailing addresses. He asked me to reiterate the plea that we all keep the AOG informed of our whereabouts.

P.S. **Julie & Bob DeMont** couldn't make the Reunion this time because of the press of Bob's duties as Dir OCD, at Ft Knox; but Julie sent their best wishes. Their son, Bobby, USMA '84, is now at Stanford for graduate studies, and will be married at WP this Dec. **Lucile Guild** also sent best wishes along with thanks for the flowers following **Bill's** death last April.

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Finally, I am sorry to report that **Mary Bennett, Dick's** wife, died on 7 Oct after a long struggle with cancer. The funeral at Arlington was attended by friends and classmates, including **Gillette, Gurr, McNerney, Isacco, Bair, Porter, Connie Tully** (**Buse's** widow), **Svendsen, Besson, Broocke, Wosicki,** and **Coreth.** Mary is also survived by their daughter, Margaret, and their son, Thomas.

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A very strong rumor has it that if you write this column you become a general, so I have mentally written my refusal of the Attorney-General's job when it is proffered. Seriously, the latest 0-7 list purportedly has two classmates on it, but as of the deadline for the column no confirmation of names. Congratulations to the nameless two until the next issue.

Good thing I was not fooling around with any stewardesses on a recent Pan Am flight from Frankfurt to New York. **Paul Mandry** and his wife **Tina** were sitting two seats ahead of me. Paul is with Avon and they were on the way home from a meeting in Venice—company business—Paul's in the Avon legal department. Earlier in the year, they had toured North Germany. Paul recently saw **Dave Hogarth** at Avon; Dave recently married, and is just expecting first offspring.

1960: "R-Day," 2 Jul 84, at Michie Stadium

I hope the lacrosse coach and Jack Riley are keeping track of the **Mandry's** oldest boy Carlton—started on a hockey team that won the New Jersey championship, this as a soph. **Chan Duryea** writes from where he is presently assigned as Defense and Army Attache, San Salvador, El Salvador. **Gigi** is there with him on a two-year accompanied tour. On station since Nov '83. Gigi joined him in June of '84 with their two daughters, Gwynne and Dominique, both now in schools in the States; Gwynne, a jr at Vassar and Nicki a fresh at Stetson U. Son Robert is a combat controller in the AF and presently stationed at Pope AFB but soon to be transferred to Panama.

Chan's assignment follows a tour as Def Attache in Haiti, preceded by 2½ years in Panama at the Schl of the Americas. This assignment has a bit of everything to offer—from writer's cramp to nights in the field, with lots of visitors and briefings to flesh out the schedule. **"This one is a winner if we keep the faith at home,"** states Chan.

Have also heard from **Jim DeMent,** an Asst VP with Merrill Lynch in Richmond, VA. Jim wants to draw our attention to two items which may be of benefit to the Class:

1. The deaths of **Dave MacAuley** and **Pat Flannery** were the start of what will be a broadening trend in the years to come. Jim suggests that our Class develop a procedure for insuring the rapid development of an outstanding obituary for early (no more than six months) publication in the ASSEMBLY. We owe each classmate this honor. Class officers should be able to provide leadership in this area.

2. Jim has available (without cost) bumper stickers which say, "Thank You Vietnam Vets." Classmates who would like them can drop him a note at 9408 Midvale Road, Richmond VA 23229.

A "recent" release from the First ROTC Region details a chance encounter:

1960: The Chapmans

"First ROTC Region Advanced Camp 84 brought together not only some 4000 cadets, but also hundreds of military personnel from various stations and assignments. There were occasions where the Camp brought together old friends for the first time in many years. Such was the case when Colonel **Brion 'Bri' Chabot,** Advanced Camp PAO met Colonel **Charles Chuck Belan.** The USMA '60 classmates both dealt with public affairs during Camp—Colonel Chabot headed the Camp's PAO effort, and Colonel Belan was at Camp to visit a U.S. Army Res PA Det supporting the Advanced Camp. Colonel Belan is the PAO of Second Army. Colonel Chabot serves during the rest of the year as PMS at Augusta State College." Fort Bragg was apparently the site of the encounter.

There was surplus from the San Antonio mini-reunion, and **Mark Lowry** should be receiving a check 'ere long for $250 or thereabouts to the Class Fund from **Jim Pearl.** The photo, by the way, was taken inside the Ft Sam Houston Quadrangle. The clock tower at the rear was where Geronimo was kept prisoner. No, Geronimo did not ride in the trolley car shown in the picture. It is (or is about to become) folklore that it was Geronimo's biggest disappointment not to have ridden the trolley.

Fred **Faery** wrote letting us know where he is now. Since retiring in July 1981, he has moved three times, all with the same company. He is a consultant with Stone & Webster Engr Corp. He joined them in the New York office in 1981 and commuted from CT. In May of 1983, he led a sizeable task force on a field assignment in the Cincinnati area. Moved the family to No KY in Oct 1983, built a house, but the job folded before the house was finished (Feb 1984). They have now moved to their corporate office in Boston. His home address is 39 Crestview Drive, Millis, MA 02054, (617) 376-8443 and office phone is (617) 589-5185. They welcome anyone to stop by if they are in the area. They intend to remain stable there for some time. The company has a sizeable number of Naval Academy graduates, but just a smattering of West Pointers, mostly ex-engrs.

1960: The Jeziors

As for family, his daughter, Annemarie, is a soph at Hollins College in Roanoke, VA. She will spend all of 1985 at their campus in Paris. His son Rick is a fresh at Guilford College in Greensboro, NC. His stepdaughter Abi lives with him and is in the 8th grade. She plans to be on the 1992 American Olympic equestrian team. His wife **Linda** is currently trying to decide whether to continue her career with AT&T or be a housewife for a change. They love it in the country where they live, about 40 minutes to downtown Boston.

Fred Rice writes a real quickie in case we have an open spot in this issue of ASSEMBLY. (Always room Fred). The enclosed picture was taken at Michie Stadium on

1960: San Antonio Mini-Reunion

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"R-Day" (2 July '84) just after several members of '60 dropped off some "recruits" for the Class of '88. Interesting side note: **Lee Foreman** was his next door neighbor when he arrived in Baumholder Germany in 1967. His son Fred and the **Rice's** daughter Meg were both less than a year old and used to play in the same playpen together—now they're classmates at USMA. (He hadn't seen Foremans in over 15 years).

1960: The Lamberts

More small world: **Jack Dice,** a COL with OMI, gave the orientation to their group. **Jack Yeagley** recently reported to WP as PAO, a job that **Jere Forbus** had a few years ago.

All for now—hope to see some classmates in Europe next go around; as you can all gather, this column runs on input from classmates, who are really doing a fine job—keep it up.

Attended Army-Duke Saturday — tailgate courtesy of **Mark Lowry.** Present were **Darling, Herman, Bert Spirey, Buddy Griffis, Raymond, Jilbert, Straetz,** and their respective wives.

1960: The Lagasses and COL Herman

Last minute "rush to press-addition" congratulations to **Paul Cerjan** and **Dave Stem** reported by the Chief of Staff's Office to be on the 07 list, presented to Congress this AM at 11:00 hours. Well done! (Imagine that, **my** roommate—I always knew he could do it).

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The new active duty 0-7 list is graced with the presence of **Bob Chelberg, Rusty Dyer,** and **Howard Eggleston.** Congratulations to the new brigadiers. **Paul Vallely** has been selected for BG, USAR. Congratulations, Paul; Sixth Army will be stronger for your presence. That brings the Class GO count up to 13. Kudos, too, to **Pete Gleichenhaus,** recently on the 0-6 list.

Breaking free of the Pentagon, **Bill Reno** is now ADC of the 9th Inf Div out in sunny Washington. He and **LuAnn** will no doubt enjoy all of the gadgets and gizmos that are being fielded, along with the Dungeness crab in Seattle. At the other extreme of weather, but just as high tech, is **Ed Leland** at the Natl Tng Cen. Meanwhile, **Glynn Mallory** is ADC of the 8th Inf Div in Germany, and **Phil Mallory** is ADC of the 2d Arm Div. So much for the line. Manning the ramparts of the Pentagon are **Larry Budge,** Dep Dir of Opns, Readiness, and Mobilization, and **Howie Graves,** Dir of Strategy, Plans and Policy. Howie was hosted during a visit to the War College by **Tom Stone,** Dir of SSI. Tom is ably assisted by **Bob Kee,** Ch of Mil Strategy and Land Warfare, as well as Army Fellows **Tom Sherburne** and **Marty Ganderson.** Marty's daughter Celeste is a freshman at Barnard and joined her father at the Academy to watch Army beat Duke. Bob and **Ruth Kee** report that Kathy is a jr at Trinity College in DC, with son Rob a sr and daughter Susan a jr in high school. Youngest daughter Debbie made an unaccompanied trip back to Morocco this past summer to visit friends made during a previous tour when Bob was Ch of the MAG in Rabat. Other AWC faculty members are **Bob Oliver, Andy Sarzanini,** and **John Votaw,** Dep of the Army Mil History Institute.

1961: Holmberg, Legge, and Brown

Down in Tampa are **Bill Griffiths** (J5 REDCOM), **George Seckinger** (J3 REDCOM), and **Tom Gordon** (J1 CENTCOM). Also in Tampa is **Mike Urette,** COL, USAR, whose son Gar is at Clemson and daughter is at U of OK.

The scribe ventured to West Point to take in the Duke game and find out if the Corps has. Under **Peter Boylan's** leadership the Corps has never marched better (personal observation) or been more "STRAC" (classmate consensus). Pete regularly visits Corps Squad practices and other cadet activities, setting an exemplary model of leadership. Pete and **Kathy** hosted several cadets after the game. Talking with them confirmed that they are indeed an inspired and highly motivated group. Of course, with **Al Vanderbush** as Dpty Dir of Athletics, we can certainly expect excellence on the fields of friendly strife. Al and **Karen** are settled in now. Son Al followed the maternal side in sports and is a swimmer at Harvard. Also joining the '61 contingent at the Academy is **John Cornelson** at DCSOPS.

1961: Kenny and Joulwan

Other news from the Hudson: **Ron & Chris Hannon's** son Mark is at the Prep School, readying for the Academy. **Scott Dillard** (Dep History) is co-authoring a work on the Civil War, due for publication soon. **Pat & Ann Hoy** have son Patrick studying a semester in England, while son Tim attends Kent School in Conn. Also at the game was **Gene LaBorne,** tech dir for NYNEX (that's one of the new baby Bell companies for you non-Easterners). His son Kevin is in the Class of '87 and daughter Jeanine is a freshman at Dayton.

Our man in Wichita (until recently), **Bruce Lammers,** writes that at Ft Riley he joined **Dick Behrenhausen** (CS) and **Chip Wanner** (Post Engr) for Founders Day, which Dick had set up as a mess hall rally on steak night. Bruce was allowed to let his neck out and take normal sized bites. Chip was reportedly the most popular man present, as commanders importuned him at every turn to give them paint, etc. in exchange for labor details. Some things never change. Bruce, **Barbara,** and daughter Brandi are moving to St. Louis, MO, and would like to hear from any classmates passing through. Address: BT Lammers/Emerson Electric Sta 4239/8100 W. Florissant/St Louis MO 63136.

In the DC area **John Niger** is with GTE-Sprint, trying to take up where Ma Bell left off. Newly retired **Bruce Holmberg** is a project manager with ISC, and **Mike O'Neill** is exec to **Pat Hillier,** ASA-FM.

1961: Starsman, Bruner, Karen Joulwan

One sad note for the Class—**Don Landry's** wife **Janet** passed away in July and was buried in the West Point Cemetery. Our deepest sympathy to Don and his family.

Finally, for those of you who plan ahead: The 25th reunion will be held during the weekend of the game with USAFA in November '86. Will keep you posted as details become available.

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I wish to thank all of you who were patient with my mailing and production problems associated with the 20 year book-"Bald, Gray and Old." The name was not original, but borrowed, from a similar almanac produced at some time by the Class of 1941. That class produced my high school guidance counselor, Tom Lawson, who has been a great influence in my life and is now retired on Cape Cod.

Steven Sperman sent a photo of himself,

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John Schmidt and **Gene Ramella** at the Advanced Mgt Program at Duke U. The Army sent John, and NY Tel. Co. sent Gene and Steve. They had quite a coincidence being in school together after 22 years. Small world . . . Steve is Dist Staff Mgr of the Forecasting Corporate Staff with 38 persons. Gene is a Dist Mgr in Switching Admin. Both are close to WP with Gene living just down the Palisades Parkway in Rockland County. Steve is married to **Marion** almost 22 years, and they have two children: Meredith, who is 14½ and quite stunning; and Jenine, 11½, who is a ballet dancer who has appeared professionally.

1962: Sperman, Schmidt, and Ramella

Marianne & Jim Ryan live in Chappaqua, across the Hudson, as Jim works for a consulting firm and Marianne is a teacher.

Tony Lawson is working in mid-town NYC and **Jim McGarry** works for Morgan bank.

Chuck Ivy sent a good photo of himself and **Tumpane, Garvey, Wertz, Froeschle,** and **Hyde.** Tumpane divides his time between Atlanta and Saudi Arabia where he manages a hardware business. Garvey recently retired to take over a computer operation for Lockheed in Atlanta. Wertz, also recently retired, is starting in the financial planning/investment advisor business. Froeschle is a regional sales manager for a national sign company and is reputed to tell more jokes and stories than the Atlanta crew combined. Hyde is with MEDCARE of GA., a medical supply company. Missing from the photo were **Tom Culver, Dan Denison,** and **Al McElhose.** Culver is in "premium" sales. Denison is a lawyer with APAC Inc. and McElhose is with Peachtree Software, a subsidiary of Management Sciences America. Ivy reports several active classmates at McPherson, who they plan to photograph for our next issue.

1962: Tumpane, Garvey, Wertz, Froeschle, Ivy, and Hyde

Barry Butzer and family are at 560-B Alder St., Maxwell AFB, AL 36113 (Tel 205-269-1366) along with their new addition "Mercedes Benz." Barry sent a photo of the 24 Jun 1984 wedding of Terri Jean **Rushatz** to 2LT Brian Benson, USAF at the Citadel's Summeral Chapel. The entire **Rushatz** clan came from PA and invaded the South for the event. Brian Benson is an 84 Citadel graduate whose home is in Fayetteville, NC, where he met Terri in HS. COL **Al** is now permanent "Asst. P." of Physical Ed, after finishing his PhD in Educ at Penn State. Al is looking to become head of the department when the present incumbent, COL Jim Anderson, retires. **Barry & Nancy** hoped to go to PA to AWC being as it is 65 miles from Lancaster, his home. So, of course, he went to AF side of the house. He ought to know that song by now. Son, Scott Buzzer, 21, is a junior at Citadel, and they hope to get back in May 86 to see him graduate and earn his commission as a 2LT. Tim Rushatz is a LT of Armor at present hoping to head to aviation school like master aviator Dad Rushatz. He is the first son to graduate from WP in 1983. He was an All-American linebacker/defensive back on the 150 lb football team for most of his cadet years . . . a chip off the old block.

While at Bragg, Barry saw Glen Blumhardt, who is Dpty XVIIIth Abn Corps G-3 and is happy to be out of DCSOPS and the Pentagon.

Dick Stephenson reported in from his busy practice with law in the firm of Stoll, Keenon and Park in Lexington, KY as did **Ray Pendleton.** Ray wrote that his firm realized a long range goal and completed construction on a new facility, "The Pendelton Building," a dream that his dad, who passed away in 1969, had most of his 50 yrs in business. The building is located at 2322 Canal St in New Orleans and Ray's new mailing address is P.O. Box 56789, New Orleans 70156.

1962: Butzer with "Mercedes Benz"

Don Karrer is still at Belvoir along with **Bill Kosco** and **Art Brown.**

We had hoped to get photos from the big bash put on by the **Kosco** and **Brown** clan at Belvoir. The list of DC folks was impressive, numbering about 150 classmates. It is a shame that they can't put pen or pencil to a piece of paper and update your scribe on the doings.

Congratulations to new BGs **Rigby** and **Downing.** There are probably a few more 0-7's, but I haven't gotten the full list as yet. My "leaks" from the Pentagon on lists are not as good as the real politicians do them.

Merle Williams reports from the AF side of our Class and from 5 Cannes Ct, Lake St. Louis, MO 63367 where he is Dir of Contracting for the AF Communications Cmd at Scott AFB, having made 06 in Mar of 83. He had a chance to talk with **Tank Telenko** who has taken over the Defense Contract Admin Services Region (DCASR) at Cleveland, OH. They are a part of DLA (Defense Logistics Agency).

Your scribe had a great tour with the USCG Olympics Task Force and, as Logistics Officer, was responsible for the "creature comforts" for 700 TAD/TDY CG and Navy Personnel. He made a presentation to the Navy Supply people for the outsanding work they did in supplying over 35,000 meals in six weeks for the operations.

1962: Terri Jean Rushatz and bridegroom

Jim Peterson reported on the return of **Steve Kott's** body from being listed MIA since 1967. He was buried with full military honors in Arlington Cemetery on 13 Aug. His former wife, Julie, is remarried to LTC Christy, USMC, and they are living in Manassas, VA. Twenty classmates attended the ceremony. Be thou at Peace.

Jim is Ch of Public Affairs in NYC at 663-5th Ave, NYC 10022 and reports meeting **Dick Sklar** at Princeton.

I want to apologize to **Ann Norwood** and get the news straight from a letter she sent, and I lost among many, many pieces of the 20 year book. She had written that **Marv** retired 31 Mar 83 at a retirement ceremony given by the Army Brigade of the Corps of Cadets at TX A&M U. Marv was awarded the 4th Oak Leaf cluster to his MSM and later honored with a formal dining-in by the men and women of the Corps. Marv's 7 brothers & sisters, who were at WP for his graduation, were also present for his retirement ceremony. My apologies for the lack of consistency, Ann; I hope that this will mend my meandering ways.

Nice call from **Gus Fishburne** who is retired and now the Dpty Dir of Alumni Affairs, USMA.

The 20 yearbook is really out now and if you haven't gotten in touch with me, I probably still have your copy to mail.

Happiest of holidays to you and yours.

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John Dorland was recently appointed as Pres and CEO of the $1.3 billion Hollywood Federal Savings and Loan Assn. John previ-

1963: John Dorland

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1963: The Halls

ously served as Pres of FL Coast Bank of Pompano Beach. During his tenure that institution realized a period of record earnings and an increase of assets of over 100%. **Kent Wall** has been named to head the Interwoven Div of Kayser-Roth Hosiery, Inc, one of the oldest and largest producers of men's socks in the US. Kent has had a 15 year marketing career with such diverse major US manufacturing companies as Mattel, Genesco, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco, and Haynes. **Don Byrne** continues to work hard on the Class education fund. To date six scholarship grants of $1,000 each have been awarded. **Curry Vaughan** is now a pastor in a church in Cocoa, FL. **Matt Miller** and I are in the process of updating the DC Class Roster. Any classmate who would like a copy drop me a line. **Donna & I** would like to proudly announce the birth of our daughter Louisa Jane Hall on 19 Sep 1984 at Ft Belvoir, VA. Congratulations to **Tom Carney** and **Jerry Harrison** for being selected for BG.

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Fantastic Reunion! That is an anticipatory comment inasmuch as this is being written three weeks prior to the Reunion and you are now reading it over a month after the happy event. I must say it is rather disconcerting to attempt this type of correspondence knowing that the major news since the last publication date will go unreported due to the idiosyncrasy of deadline dates. As a consequence I shall say nothing further about the Reunion in this issue. Hopefully the ASSEMBLY will, in the opening pages of this issue, include some photos of the festivities. They are able to do this because deadlines are applicable to the hard working columnists and not the editors.

As I anticipated, an anticipation I shared with you in my last column, I received zero mail during the past qtr. Probably most of you thought that communicating with the Reunion committee fulfilled any obligation to write your scribe, esp considering how prolific the overwhelming majority of you are. As a consequence this "post-reunion" column will contain only that which come directly from my extensive knowledge of what's happenin'.

The passing of the 20 year milestone has begun to prompt career changes among members of our Class. **Bob Balderson** rolled through here on his way to Europe to be a vagabond. **Steve Bettner** has gone to Daytona Beach to work for Martin Marietta (if I mentioned this all in the last column bear with me—news is scarce), and **Ben Sternberg** has moved from the Pentagon to NC to work for Burlington. **Larry Brewer** and **Bill Landgraf** retire the day of this writing. I am not aware of their plans, but believe both are remaining in the Washington area. I am just cooling my heels waiting for the generous offers to start flowing in.

Contrary to my earlier announcement, I do have some reunion information. Earlier this summer I attended my 25th HS reunion and was happy to find **Huba Wass de Czege** also among the Gainesville HS alumni attendees. The third Gainesville High contribution to the Class of '64, **Lass Mason,** was unable to attend. Those of you who choose **Newsweek** as your source of cocktail talk will recall that Huba was recently prominently featured in an article on the new direction of Army leadership training programs.

1964: Gainesville High Alumni

Other bits and pieces: New faces around the POAC (for the uninitiated that stands for Pentagon Officer's Athletic Club): **Bob Magruder, Bob Craighill, Barry Hartman** and **George Smith. Bill Jackman** dropped by my office to report his arrival in Aug to join **Joe Arnold** and **Dave Latimer** in Army DCSOPS. Bill reports also that his old roommate, **Nick Kemp,** has given up flying fighters and is now desk-bound in AF munitions planning and spending more time with the family; **Jack Nunn** was recently in the Pentagon for reserve active duties and pinned on LTC leaves at the same time. Bill is soloing it here in Washington as **Marge** and the family remain in KS pending her graduation from KSU. The plan is for the family to reunite next year and head off to Uruguay for Army attache duties. Sounds well worth the wait.

Class gift plans are progressing well under the able direction of **Doug Bennett.** The amendment to the Class constitution regarding the gift carried overwhelmingly. Doug and **Dick Chilcoat** will have briefed the program to the Reunion attendees, but I will summarize them here for those of you who were unable to attend or were sleeping during that portion of the lecture. The fund raising period will take place over the next 10 yrs enabling us to present a suitable gift at the 30th reunion. No decision will be made on the form of the gift until towards the end of this period in order to better assess the needs of the Academy and the desires of the Class. We hope to raise a half millon dollars. If this seems an overly ambitious amount, consider that if the bulk of us contributed at least $500, and some 50 high rollers a minimum of $5000, the goal would be easily reached and most likely exceeded. The money is to be wisely invested by our expert finance committee after it is pried out of you all by hard working regional and state gift chairman. We have sort of jumped the gun a bit in the Washington area, and, as a result of an eloquent appeal by your humble scribe, have pledges already in hand from over 75% of the class located here. Doug or one of his assistants will be in touch—to make a touch—some time in the near future so dig deep guys.

As a final note I publish a resolution proposed by **Dick Chilcoat** and approved at the Reunion:

"WHEREAS, the 20th Year Reunion Committee, USMA Class of 1964, served as the corporate organization for the Class to conduct all matters pertaining to the 20th year reunion, and WHEREAS, this organization performed its duties and responsibilities with extraordinary diligence, competence, and dedication, and WHEREAS, this outstanding performance of duty served to significantly enhance the continued espirit, cohesion and unity of the Class, THEREFORE, the members and friends of the USMA Class of 1964 highly commend the 20th Year Reunion Committee, the Editor of the Reunion Yearbook and his associates, and the Reunion Committee Chairman for the outstanding services rendered to the Class while conducting the 20th year reunion; and the members and friends of the Class gratefully express their appreciation and gratitude for the Reunion Committee's selfless contributions to an endeavor which clearly promotes the long-standing health, welfare, and morale of the USMA Class of 1964."

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Greetings from the Windy City! First of all, let me give everyone a brief update on the 20th Reunion which is scheduled for Homecoming Weekend 1985. The Organizing Committee has been formed and will be headed by **Don Rowe,** who is presently stationed at WP along with several of the other committee chairmen ((**Jim Golden**—Activities, **Paul Barber**—Registration, **Rich Boerckel**—Class Gifts, **John Knowles**—Lodging, **Mac Gill**—Transportation). I'll be heading up the Publication Committee and will be responsible for producing a " '65 In '85 Yearbook." By now you should have already received the first letter from Don concerning the planning and requirements for the Reunion. If you did not receive a letter in Oct or Nov, please call or write me immediately. Attached to that letter you will find an information sheet which we need completed and returned to me at the address listed above. Several other thoughts have come out of our planning process and we thought we would run them by you. First of all, we would like to invite some of the Tacs and other folks who made those four years such a memorable experience. Initial names that come to mind

1965: Brett, Beth, and Laura Simpson

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1965: Reunion in Washington, DC

are Max Thurman, "Super Tac" Cecil Adams and the like. If you have any suggestions on who else to invite to be our special guests, please let **Don Rowe** or myself know. Because of the deadlines imposed upon this scribe for these articles, we will have to communicate with everyone in the Class via direct mail. Accordingly, we would appreciate everyone talking with one another and if you find someone who has not received a letter from Rowe, please let Don know. My guess is that the mailing list that we are using is probably no more than 50% accurate. While some of the mail will be forwarded, past history would lead us to believe that as much as 35-40% of the Class will never receive our communication. So, spread the word and let's try to get a reasonably accurate mailing list.

Now for the current poop. Up until two weeks before the deadline for this article, we were in bad shape in terms of information. We had received only two letters, which means that everyone grew quite complacent during the summer. Unless we get your letters, the scribe can only call and track down so many people. Fortunately, through my travels and contacts with others, we were able to generate additional information, esp from the Washington, DC group as you will see later on. If you haven't written in the last year or two, please drop us a line and let us know what's going on. This article is only as good as you folks will make it. Pictures really make the narrative come to life.

Greatest letter of the last decade goes to young Beth **Simpson** who wrote to tell me that her father **Ed** "is still alive and well." They live in Alexandria, VA where they moved in 1983 from EUCOM. She reports that her dad is now at the Pentagon at DCS-OPS. "He seems to like it most of the time." Her mother (**Lee**) and sister and brother really like VA. **Jim Harvey** is a neighbor and also works at the Pentagon. His wife (**June**) and two children are good neighbors, Beth reports. The following is priceless: "I know you probably think that it's a little strange to hear from the kid instead of the graduate, but my father wasn't going to write. So I thought I might." WP needs 9th graders like you Beth, so keep up the good work and let us know when you're ready to apply. Not only that, you certainly take after your mother in the looks department.

We had a little get-together out at the scribe's house and spent some time with three of our local classmates. **Jack & Maria Cooley** were there and Jack reports he's left his old law firm and started his own practice in the legal field but primarily as an arbitrator. Jack has all the qualms of all of us who have started businesses, and we wish him the best of luck. **Steve & Gloria Ellenbogen** also were there and Steve reports that everything is going well in his new job in real estate here in Chicago. Steve & Gloria haven't changed much over the years. We were particularly delighted that **Ron & Dolly Layer** could make the long trip up from the booming metropolis of Munster, IN. They report everything is going well and that their children are still actively involved in sports.

Also received a great letter from **Norm Boyter** who is a site manager with Westinghouse in the Philippines. He is presently stationed on Bataan. His wife **Angie** and their two children have been there for 3 yrs and expect to leave in Jan 1985. Westinghouse is building the first nuclear plant in the Philippines at this site. Prior to this, they lived in Korea where Norm was also involved in a nuclear plant site. He got out of the Army in 1974. Norm reports that prior to his overseas tours, he was with Westinghouse in ID back in the late 70's where he saw **Skip O'Donnell, Duke Wheeler** and **Ron Wells.** He also added that **Paul Singelyn** was there until 1978 and left to go into business in Nashville, TN. Paul and wife **Nancy** had two boys and apparently are still in Nashville. Norm reports that he and Angie are going to try to attend the 20th. Norm reports that he has one of those rare nuclear projects that is on schedule. He asks that if anybody is passing through Manila, let him know. Ron, if you can bring this one in on budget and schedule, you ought to be able to come back here and make a zillion dollars. Good luck to you.

Tom White reports that he is not the CO of FATC but rather he commands a battalion in FATC. Sorry about that.

Judy & I went on a boondoggle to Washington in Sep and while there spent an extremely enjoyable evening with **Wayne & Suzie Scholl, Rocco & Mary Alice McGurk** and our good friend and loyal '65 supporter, Max Thurman. For those of you not in the military, Max (you remember him, the L-1 Tac and then the Cadet CAO) is now a 4 Star and the VCS-Army. As we found out at dinner that night, Max still has many pleasant memories of our Class and was peppering us throughout dinner with queries as to where everyone was. Rocco is doing very well for himself as is Wayne Scholl. Both of them are on the 0-6 List. Speaking of that list, I received a nice letter from **Dan Christman** who is the CO of the Savannah Engr Dist. Attached to his letter he sent along the results of the most recent selection board for 0-6 from which I have culled the following names: **Genega, Gilchrist, Gill, Hallenbeck, Hennessee, Kelley, Kemph, McGurk, Ono, Pickler, Pylant, Roebuck, Sinnreich,** and **Timmerman.** Dan saw **Loco** and also **Bob Wolff** who was a guest speaker and gave a very polished performance to a Commanders Group on his responsibilities as special asst to the Asst Chief of Engineers. Bob will be attending ICAF starting this Aug.

Wayne Scholl reported that they saw **Bob & Carol Bell** and **Jim Scheiner** and his wife while in PA. Jim hands out the checks to the lottery winners in PA while working at the IRS there. Wayne suggested that Jim wager $2 on 6565 for us and when we win, we have an absolute blowout at the 20th. Sounds like a good idea to me.

Wayne also reported on a new phenomena in the Class, namely sending offspring to college. Beth **Genega** (nee of **Stan & Barb**) was valedictorian of her high school class and was escorted by her dad to Notre Dame where she received an academic scholarship. Stan's only request was that she get straight A's and four season tickets. Kim **Longhouser** (**John & Karen**) also is doing well academically and was taken by her dad to NC where she's on a volleyball scholarship. Lee **Wood** (**Jim & Lee's**) is our first Plebe offspring with the class of '88 at USAFA. My guess is that there are more offspring out there so pop up your chests dads, and let us know what's happening.

Wayne filled in some additional information on a rather new (albeit repeat phenomena) namely, new offspring to the Class. **Jay & Carol** (nee Gracie) **Stewart** recently returned to PA where Jay manages a Pamper Factory for P&G. Somewhere in the transition from Germany, they had a little girl. Apparently, the **Scheiners** also had a small child. Any other "cabooses" out there?

Wayne also reported that the **Olmsteads** and their children are back in CONUS after 5 yrs in Germany. The **Locurcios** are in Philadelphia where **Ralph** has taken over the Engr Dist. COL Locurcio sounds a little bit classier than "Loco." **Bob & Phyllis Wolff** are with the OCE where he was promoted to VP for Federal Engineering. Apparently Bob, **John Longhouser, Tad Ono** and others kept the spirit alive at the Army-Navy gymnastic meet.

Wayne reports that after reading about all the fun that corporate executives in the civilian world are having, Las Vegas vacations and world wide travels, he wanted everybody to know that the Pentagon isn't too bad after all. They all have chauffeur service (Metro), the executive dining rooms can't be beat (snack bars), health spa is outstanding (POAC) —he wonders how anyone can manage to not go to the Pentagon.

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Stan & Barbara Genega organized a super '65 family picnic for the DC contingent. Thirty families had a great time at the Belvoir float bridge training area on Accotink Bay. Anyone remember getting wet there during the Firsty Trip? What follows is a brief description of where the DC crew is working: DCSOPS wins the prize for most '65 alumni with **Stan & Barb Genega** in Force Integration, **Kent & Sherry Brown** in High Tech Testing, **Zig & Linda Roebuck** in ADA Force Devl (Zig really loves life in the Pentagon and wonders how he could have missed all the fun for 19 years . . . come visit . . . Beat Navy!) **Ed & Lee Simpson** are working with those neutrons in Nuclear Div. **Ron Bailey** advises the Tech Advisor. The OSD has policy written by **Rick & Mary-Ann Wetherill**, programs by **Bob & Mary Harter**, communications by **Jim & Janet Dyer, Peter & Susan Linn** are reported to be "improving management" in DOD from the Comptrollers office and **Jim & Lynne Helberg** run the JCS's Natl Mil Cmd Cen.

1965: The Ellenbogens

Fear not, your tax dollars are well spent in the Army Chief's Program Analysis and Evaluation Dir where **Wayne & Suzie Scholl, Rocco & Mary Alice McGurk, Claire & Sherry Gill** and **Hugh & Grace Kelley** are all plotting together while **Steve & Barbara Kemph** study in Crystal City. **Dave & Patte Jones** are buying things on DESRDA. We are also well represented in the pers community where **Curt & Ann Adams** do long range planning, **B.J. & Donna Mogan** plan for new systems and **Dick & Kathy Tragemann** are the chief recruiters.

There is more—**Steve & Ann Harman** are going to keep the communications on at the President's Inauguration. **Mike & Cheryl Viani** are keeping the Ch of Engrs operation resourced. **Walt & Kathy Kulbacki** manage information in the new ACSIM. **Steve & Carol Sperry** are also working with neutrons, but over at DIA. **Terry & Nancy Ryan** do war gaming at the NDU. No, everyone does not work in or for the Pentagon. **Fred & Maralee Laughlin** took time off from Middle East consulting for Price Waterhouse to join us. **David & Priscilla Bodde** were there to represent the Congressional Budget Office, where they have absolutely nothing to do with Defense. **George & Carol Bell** came down from Boiling Springs, PA where George is Chief Counsel to the Commonwealth's IRS. Local war college attendees included **Bill & Nancy Hecker**, and **John & Karen Longhouser** from ICAF and **Frank & Dori Skidmore** (got the spelling right this time) from NWC. Finally, all the way from Carlisle were **Jim & Lee Wood.** Jim also brought word from other AWC classmates: **Emory & Johanna Pylant, Frank & Cam Hennessee, Gene & Bev Farmelo, Steve & Rhonda Bliss, Pat & Alice Kenny** and **John Harrington & wife.** At the AWC as faculty, we got word of **Marty Andresen** and **Jack Lyons.** Some people like Leavenworth so well they insist on returning as War College Fellows as is the case with **Fred & Sue Timmerman** and **Don & Maria Nowland.**

I was finally able to touch base with **Larry Leskovjan** who has been with FL Power and Light in Juno Beach as mgr in their environmental div since 1974. Larry & **Kathy** have two small children (Mark—4, Andreana—6) and live in the Palm Beach area. Larry resigned in 1971 to get two degrees (nuclear and environmental engineering) and says he likes FL. He reports that **Denny Shantz** is with FL Power Co (different company) near St. Petersburg. **Frank Arnall** is in Orlando where he runs an insurance agency. **Bob Sterba** is also with FP&L in the Ft. Lauderdale area. Larry & Kathy are planning on attending the 20th.

Great warm up for the 20th Reunion for the DC crowd. And a special thanx from the scribe to **Wayne Scholl** for getting all of this DC poop and pictures to me by Fed. Express in time for the article.

Some other last minute notes. **John Swensson** called. He is out of the Army and seeking gainful employment. The job he had prearranged fell thru due to a merger. In the "small world" category, one of my wife's friends here in Chicago gave us some inside poop on another long lost classmate, **Johnny Wells.** His older sister Carole reports that Johnny & **Roseann** have nine (yep, count 'em NINE) kinde and live in Potomac, MD where he works for a comany that designs and builds embassies. (I'll bet they are rethinking that business about now.) Johnny, if you're out there, send us a picture and note.

That's it folks. Beat NAVY—and please write!

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Don Rose reported there were 19 families at the Washington picnic this summer and despite the rain it was a success. He said, "**Kelly Horst** was the hit of the day with his tarp covered picnic table. The tarp was the first thing he put up when he got to the picnic. Everytime the rain started to fall, everyone decided it was time to go visit the Horsts. After a while it got sort of crowded. **Nancy Hoyman** picked up where Marion left off by bringing a beautiful fresh flower decoration which was used as a centerpiece on the community table."

Don also included some other news of classmates in his letter. **Steve Hanau** let it be known that he is getting married to Nadia Hibbs, a local small business tycoon; he intends to be able to retire and let her support him in the lap of luxury. The wedding was scheduled for Sep.

Jon & Mary Ann Blades have returned to the area for Sr Service Sch and Jon hopes to get a job in the Pentagon afterwards. **Hilty Dunn** has been reassigned to ODCSPER as a Div Ch. **Cooper Wright** is assigned to Belvoir and as of Jul was camping out, anticipating qtrs assignment and a reunion with his family. **Gus Blumenfeld** has just arrived in the area assigned to the Army Nuclear and Chem Agency. **Phil Nelson,** who was Gus's neighbor in Germany, is also in the area.

Don also reports that he & **Billie** were planning to organize a contingent of classmates to the Army-Navy game in Philly. Don & Billies' girls babysat for the **Carharts** this summer in Cape Cod, which probably turned out to be quite an experience for all concerned. Thanks, Don for your report.

1966: Ed and Katia Wright wedding in Lebanon

In the last column, I reported seeing **Art & Ginny Mulligan** at WP in Jun along with **Kerm Morgan.** I have since seen Kerm in St. Louis where he is working on a takeover of the Reserve Pers Cen! He has been a great help to me in breaking through the admin barriers of RCPAC. I talked with **Bill Hoyman,** who is enjoying his job as Ch of Inf branch, but expectedly reports he has no difficulty in staying occupied with his considerable responsibilities.

Jim & Mary Salander had reason to celebrate in May when Jim was promoted to COL. Jim is currently on the staff of the General Surgery and Peripheral Vascular Surgery Services of Walter Reed and is an Asst Prof of Surgery at UHS. The news release I received also told of Jim's 50-plus publications and professional presentations. He is currently working on a review of combat casualties from the 1983 military action in Grenada. Jim & Mary live in Silver Spring, MD with Abraham, 5½ and Hannah, 4. Congratulations, Jim & Mary.

Bob Seeger has called from WP to let us know the 20th Reunion committee is moving right along with its planning of our biggest bash yet! **Art Mulligan** is the chairman. The Reunion is scheduled for the weekend of 18 Oct 1986 when Army hosts Holy Cross for the Homecoming game. The Reunion will begin on a Thurs evening and will be centered around the Hotel Thayer and the Club since we will be the senior reunion class. Art says we expect 220-275 classmates so everyone should block their calendars and begin saving their pennies. **Bob & Nicki Seeger** and **Mike & Pattie Root** are now assigned to USMA.

More of our classmates have been selected for promotion to COL than I reported in the last column. We overlooked **Bob Seeger, Ken Grice, Doug Laipple** (USAF), and **Leigh Wheeler.** Once again, congratulations to all of you and your families.

The first annual USMA 66 "Bear Hunting Trip" went as scheduled. **Art Mulligan** didn't get to go at the last minute but **Ewell Gibbons** (sp.—.2) reports **Grice** and **Leach** got lost on the way out, **Figgins** got lost on the way back, but he claims he just went after ice cream. The deadly trio bagged—three bears—on a postcard! A good time was had by all, and the second annual bear trip is already being planned.

Doug & Becky Laipple visited us in Sep,

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and we went to Knoxville for the UTN game. The Cadets played superbly and tied a favored Volunteer team. At the game, we saw **Don & Nona Bruegger, Doc & Shirley Crants, Sam & Vicki Bartholome,** and **Tom & Wendy Beasley.** After the game, the local WP Society had a festive reception and buffet. Tom and Doc are doing well in the Corrections Corp of America, where "Wish" is the Pres and Doc is the Treas. Sam is heading the Reagan-Bush campaign in the state. Don is a Reservist and works at Oak Ridge.

1966: Morgan, Cecil, and the Mulligans

Doug is the Dir of the Psychiatry Residency Prog at Wright-Patterson AB in Dayton, and two of his residents are Middies, so we know Laipple will do what is right at the end of the football season when we play Navy! **Becky** looks as young and pretty as she did when she was dating Doug as a cadet, and perhaps the 5 children, Julie, Alison, Megan, Kurt, and Matt help to keep her active. Kurt was hit by a car in May, but fortunately by now is about to recover from this terrible experience. Doug & Becky reported also they are living in the "heart" of America within a conservative neighborhood, so the welcome mat is out since they would certainly enjoy hearing from and seeing some of you if you're ever traveling through the area. Their address is 2321 Clubside Drive, Dayton, OH 45431; tel: 513-426-6980.

I received a truly welcome letter from **John Strapac** who is in Tucson, AZ (801 South Hermosa Hls. Place) 85710. John is a proj engr at Hughes Aircraft where he's been for about 4 years. He and his family love the Southwest and don't regret passing up "big city" corporate success for simpler things in life! John reports our Class is still represented heavily in Ford Motor Co. **Dan James** is with the Ford Credit Union; **Jim Suhay** moved from corporate staff to a line position. **Larry Delp** is working in the Light Truck Division as John did, and **Terry deJonckheere** was a mgr and perhaps a VP by now. We are glad to get this news John, and hope one of you guys at Ford will do a corporate scrub and update and verify the whereabouts of our classmates.

Rick & Linda Gorski have left TX and are now at the AWC in Carlisle, PA 17013. They are living at 10 Butler Ct. We know the Ft Hood community misses Rick & Linda and all of their involvement.

Rich Sonstelie reported in from the Northwest. He & **Cindy** have lived there since 1974 and have two girls, Marit (7) and Jenny (5). Rich has been with the Puget Sound Power & Light Co the entire time. Cindy is Dir of Human Resources for Simpson Timber Co. Rich reports **Ron Cox** and **Roger Sherrard** are attorneys in the area, but not many other classmates have surfaced there. Rich is also active in the Vietnam Veterans' Leadership Program (VVLP). Cindy & Rich live at 5 Brook Bay, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

Walt Piskun wrote a lengthy and informative letter in Jun, but I did not receive it in time to make the last column. Walt was the Ch of Neurosurgery at Beaumont AMC in El Paso, but is now at Letterman AMC in San Francisco. Walt's wife, **Mary Ann,** is also in the Army and has been transferred to Letterman. Walt & Mary Ann have 4 children: Sally, 7; Molly, 3½; Betsy, 2; and A.J. 2. Walt still plays golf and has taken up long distance running. He has run marathons in Honolulu and Amarillo and plans to run 4-6 each year. He passes on to **Doug Laipple** that he's lost 50 pounds and has regained his graduation weight of 205 lbs. If you are in the Presidio area, the welcome mat is out.

Walt reported **Tim Jeffrey** is Ch of Clinical Psychology at Beaumont and his wife, Louise, is an intern working for her PhD. Tim & Louise are expecting their first child in Feb 85. **Tom McLaughlin** and **Bob Huston** are at Ft Bliss. Bob is commanding a Patriot Bn, scheduled for deployment to Germany. **Tom Grabow** is the CO of the hosp at Leavenworth.

Jim Peake was a cardiothoracic surgeon (and full colonel, incidentally) at Brooke AMC and is now the Ch, Dept of Surgery at Tripler in Honolulu. Walt concluded by listing the docs who made the colonel list last spring—**Dick Doty, Tom Grabow, Lynn Wilson,** and **Walt Piskun.** I don't think I had reported **Keith Markey's** or **John Redmond's** below the zone promotion last year.

1966: Salander being promoted to colonel

John Christie reported in from Philadelphia, PA 19112 where he lives at 2101 B. Biddle Ave. John called briefly wanting information about the Reserves, but didn't say much else.

I saw **Mike Silliman** on a recent trip to Louisville. Mike is with Capital Mortgage Investors (502) 425-7611. He & **Peggy** have two children: Scott, 8; and Cissy, 6 and live at 645 Upland Rd, Louisville, KY 40206 (502) 895-8760. Mike reported **George Groves** is back in town with Derr-Groves Co. His numbers are (502) 244-9337 (W) and (502) 425-9715.

Ed Wright wrote a letter, which I received on the deadline of this column, reporting his demise as one of the Class's last bachelors. He was married on 9 Jun 84 in Beirut to a native Lebanese, **Katia.** We welcome her to the Class and wish them happiness. Their wedding courtesies were provided by the Lebanese Army, complete with a helicopter evacuation due to the airport closure. Ed is now in Salinas studying Arabic and will go to Saudi Arabia in Aug 1985. He reported seeing **Fred Meurer** at Ft Ord who cannot get post housing despite the fact he is the Post Housing Officer. Ed wants **George Utter** to tell him what's missing from his uniform since he pieced another set of blues together following the destruction of his household goods in Jun 82.

For those of you who haven't had a chance to visit WP lately, South Barracks is being renovated. When I visited in Jun the entire building was being gutted—plumbing, wiring, windows, heating and ventilation. And as usual, everything was being broken and simply discarded. Kerm and I imagined how much money we could make by selling old sinks, commodes, handrails, and marble to old grads, but didn't have a truck to haul it off. I did manage to rescue the Orderly Room sign for Company E-1! Also, New South Barracks, which our Class initiated, was already having the windows replaced with thermopane windows, which were frosted for privacy—a concession to coeducation.

At this writing the Army football team was doing a superb job in returning winning football to our Alma Mater. We hope they keep it up, but more importantly it was good to see a positive and healthy attitude among the cadets. We hope the holiday season is a happy time for all of you.

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As those few of you who pay attention to these things can see, we are finally in VA. Finally. After the longest odyssey in modern history, we arrived at Ft Monroe in early Aug. Since a tiny little post with more general officers on it than in the whole Army of WWII doesn't have many quarters for LTCs, we got to buy a house. Some people think that's a good deal. They have never shopped for a house with my wife. I used to think I knew what it was like to be poor. Not even close. I now have the opportunity to experience poverty on a level I never imagined.

Last time I promised you a blow-by-blow account of our journey. It is a story that deserves telling, and I had every intention of doing so. I even kept meticulously detailed notes during the whole gruesome trip. Unfortunately for you all, my youngest son, Dr. Doom, the dark lord of destruction, who at this writing (Oct) will soon be 2 yrs old (despite the unceasing efforts of his two older brothers to prevent his reaching that milestone) saw fit to destroy the written evidence of the trip. Since most of the trip was simply a progression from one episode of destruction to the next, he probably was mo-

1967: Sally, Rob, Chuck, and Jeff Thomas on the Great Wall of China

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tivated by a sense of self preservation—he doesn't want the rest of the world to get his number just yet. Just a few examples for you: did you know that a gold watch can be flushed down the toilet without stopping it up? Have you ever heard the sound of a handful of pennies being ground up in grandmommy's garbage disposal? Try rewinding the tape back into 24 story time cassettes sometime. The other boys have savings accounts for their college fund. In Doom's case, I've decided it would be prudent to establish a legal defense fund instead. Any contributions will be gratefully accepted.

Ft Monroe is an interesting place. Being on a MACOM staff, I get the opportunity to work in that secondary specialty that all upwardly mobile people in today's Army strive for, 00—Double Nothing. Otherwise known as Battlefield Technician. We get to deal with war at a very rarified level. I think it's called battle calculus, which is not a good sign, since I still have nightmares about the last time I had anything to do with calculus. To make matters worse, the books around here also have green covers. It's like a bad case of deja-vu. But I am not alone in my predicament—there are a few other worthy souls here at the Fortress. Some unworthy ones, too. **Ed Dewey** is still the CG's Aide. I always thought that holding a horse was about the extent of his capabilities, so he's probably the right guy for the job. Ed's wife **Janet** works as a secretary across the street from my basement cubicle. I can always tell when Ed is on a trip; that's when Janet drives the Porsche to work. **Ken Harris** is here too, as are **Ken Rice** and **Jeff Stark,** who was finally rescued from his dreary life in the Loire Valley of France after two long years of exile. Jeff is really excited about being here.

We weren't the only ones who had to leave AK this past summer. **Steve & Lark Grove** are now in Burke, VA—Steve has been swallowed up into some nebulous computer job in the five-sided funny farm, which will surely play havoc with his already diminished character. **Dave & Janet Hale** are also in the DC area now, while the Turkey matriculates at the NWC. **Frank Kreger,** on the other hand, went from DA to AK where, lucky him, he took my old job. I have it from a well-placed source that he has subsequently let a contract on my life.

Way back in Jul I got a short note from **Chuck Thomas,** along with the spiffy photo of the Thomas clan playing tourist on the Great Wall of China. Chuck is still in command of the 2d Engr Bn, 2d ID in Korea, and reports that **PJ Penny** is also in Korea, commanding the 2d Avn Bn. Other guys in country are **Bart Bohn** and **Bob Doheny.** I also understand that **Dave Mosser** is enroute to Korea, where he will take command of the composite 8"/MLRS Bn. Dave's shoes in DA DCSOPS were reportedly filled by **Al Nahas.**

Lost souls dept. **Bruce Baccei** finally decided to break the classmate Apathy Club code of silence and write a letter to his scribe. It's funny how some people, after 17+ years, suddenly have an urge to let the world know they're still alive and well. Probably has something to do with the effects of old age and the fear that they don't have that much longer to see their story told. Bruce is an architect with his own business that specializes in solar energy, called appropriately enough, Sunrise Solar Design and Assistance Co, located in Denver, CO. He got involved in the architecture game when the Army made the mistake of sending him to grad school in architecture prior to a teaching assignment at the womb in ES&GS. That's when Bruce found out what he really wanted to be when he grew up. He stuck with the Army as long as they let him build things, but when they tried to put him back to work playing soldier, Bruce decided to take the plunge and resigned. After 3½ years working with the Solar Energy Research Institute, he started his own business. Among his projects, he's been given the task of designing **Don & Leslie Nelson's** "dream house." We'll have to get a report from Don to see how successful Bruce is. Recently the Baccei's played host to the Nelsons and **Petries** at a local French Vietnamese restaurant, and saw fit to record the event on film for us all. For the record book, Bruce & **Marilyn** have 4 children: Bret, 13; Elizabeth, 10; Catherine, 6; and Mark, 3.

1967: Donnell explains finer points of dish drying to Haseman

From the suburbs of Houston, TX, comes word that **Randy Pais** and his brood are now enjoying the delights of Southern living, having moved from Seattle this past year. Randy is still working for EXXON as a high powered attorney. His current job has him working in the Law Dept at their corporate hqs providing advice to EXXON's domestic marketing operations. During his 6 yrs in Seattle he was with EXXON's Nuclear Div. One of the things Randy accomplished in that assignment was to coordinate a national coalition made up of major corporations, unions, and private citizens, that challenged the State of WA law that prohibited the transportation and disposal of radioactive waste in the state. The case went to the Supreme Court, and in '83 the court ruled in the coalition's favor. Nice plum for Randy. In Mar of '83, Randy got selected as a regional finalist for a White House Fellowship, but unfortunately didn't make it to the final 13. Still, no mean feat. But he's not the only one in the family achieving greatness. In Jun of '83 his wife **Jackie** graduated from Nursing School, and shortly thereafter landed a good job at the UWA hosp. Unfortunately, she had to give it up when they moved to Houston. Like all of us, their children are growing up rapidly. Lisa, their oldest, is 13 and quite a good soccer player. She was heavily recruited by the teams in the Houston area, and ended up on a team that, according to Randy, has a good shot at a nat'l title for the age group. Their youngest daughter Lori, 10, is also a soccer player and a gymnast. Randy has remained active in the Reserves—while in Seattle he was an Inf Bn Cdr in the 104th Div for 28 months. **Dick Waterman:** Randy claims to have passed all IG inspections since you left the 6th Army IG shop. At one point, **Paul Lima** was Randy's XO, but his company (PACCAR) transferred him to Miami last year.

Randy runs into quite a few classmates in the Houston area. **Jerry Walker** also works for EXXON in the same building as Randy, having moved from LA in Aug of '83. **Bob LaRaia** has a job with SOHIO as the primary Exploration and Production attorney. Not bad. **Tony Toneatto** works for EXXON as a high powered PhD engineer of something or other. Randy also reports running into **Clark Stave** and **Mike Hood** on occasion. One last plug from Randy: he wants all ex-rugby team members to donate to the WP Fund to benefit the cadet rugby team. If you do, he'll let you come visit him at their new house at 62 N. Walertree Ln, The Woodlands, TX 77380.

Alton Donnell filed a report from his fallout shelter in Albuquerque ostensibly to pass along some gossip, but I suspect the real reason was he wanted to show off his new toupe, since he sent no fewer than 2 pictures. Unfortunately, the head rug doesn't help much. You can cover it up, Alton, but all those little atoms you've been getting up close and personal with all these years are still going to keep doing their nasty little job. The thing you really need to be concerned about is the fact that the effect will eventually go beyond the hairline. Then you're really in trouble.

Alton did send along a bit of gossip. **Jerry & Cheryl Misurek** have recently moved to TX from wherever they were, where he is now heading a small company developing "all suite" hotels. **Rich Adkins** is now at Picatinney Arsenal, presumably building a better gun from which to shoot Alton's better bullet. As with most projects of this sort in the Army, it's probably too secret or confusing, not to mention expensive, to talk about. **Tom Calocci,** who took the short course, has completed his 20 with Uncle and is looking forward to some lucrative employment in the Albuquerque area following an expected medical retirement. Alton did manage to leave his laboratory and hair implant specialist long enough to take a 100 mile bike ride in northern NM. Actually he did it twice (some people are slow learners). These events were called races, and Alton finished the last one in 6¾ hours. I've heard of life forms that have a shorter life expectancy than that. Actually, I'm told it was a pretty good time, and placed him in the top half of over 600 entrants. I really don't know why one would want to ride a bike for 100 miles when you could drive there a lot quicker. It must be those little atoms at work again. **Carolyn,** on the other hand, continues to run in local 10K races. She claims it helps her to relax after a hard day with the kids—Tyler, 5, and Ashley, who'll be one on 12 Oct. Not too long ago the Donnells paid a visit to CA, where they mooched free room and board from **Paul & Vivian Haseman** and **Ray & Sally Winkel.** Paul works for Hughes Aerospace in Laguna Niguel as a corporate shyster and part time politico. Ray was finishing up his PhD at Berkeley, and is now back at WP as a permanent P. He spends most of his spare time trying to figure out how to beat Carolyn Donnell in backgammon—a feat that, according to Carolyn, he has only been successful in when she was feeling sorry for him.

Mike Cain continues to expand his financial horizons while soaking up the FL sun. He is president of SeaMark Financial Planning Corp in Panama City and is a principal in the firm of Clemons, Cain and Associates. He is a chartered life underwriter, a licensed stockbroker, and a registered investment advisor, etc, etc. I think what all this means is that, for the right price, he will tell you what to do with your hard-earned money. Like give

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it to him. If I read his PR stuff right, Sea-Mark serves as a financial planner for individuals, while Cain & Assoc, works with businesses. I think. Anyway, Mike has also organized a ski trip/financial management seminar to be held in Park City, UT, 19-26 Jan. He's pushing this as a tax deductible ski trip. Any of you ski junkies out there with a need to get your finances organized, contact Mike at 204 Cascade St, Panama City, FL 32405. I would, except I have absolutely no finances what-so-ever, organized or otherwise.

1967: Stirbis, Misurek, and Donnell

Earl Walker somehow managed to overcome his fear of taking pen to paper and jotted a few incoherent lines giving a view of the world from his lofty perch. He's currently on temporary loan for 1 year from the Mother Soil to the NWC at Ft McNair, where he's teaching some high speed courses in Strategy, Nat'l Security Affairs and Bureaucratic Politics. If this isn't enough to raise your level of concern, how about the fact that **Dave Hale** is one of his students? I've heard of the blind leading the blind, but this is a step beyond. It is too much to expect that Hale, in his permanently obtunded state, could possibly get any more out of that class than a glazed stare. After the year is finished next Jul, Earl and the family get to go back to WP and rejoin **Hobie Pillsbury, Ace Clark, Terry Hand,** and **Ray Winkel** as they all fade away to dusty obscurity in the bowels of Thayer Hall. Earl was recently elected VP of the White House Fellows Assoc, an honor that brings with it responsibility for planning the 1985 annual meeting. I think he should have the meeting at Snuffy's. I remember some great discussions, with far reaching social impact, taking place in that dignified watering hole. Earl is another one with an aspiring soccer star in his family—son Allen, 10. The Walkers also have a 19 month old daughter, Kathryn.

1967: The Nelsons, Petries, and Bacceis

Short bursts read on the latrine wall: **Jeff & Janet Mills** are now at Belvoir where Jeff commands a Bn. **Ed Sullivan** is a military asst to the Deputy Asst Secy of the Army for Military and Reserve Affairs. **Hart Lau** is commanding an OSUT Bn at Ft Knox. **Steve Viney** has orders from Bragg to Benning. **Jim Vance** is on orders from somewhere to Charlotte, NC. And **Bart Bohn** will be leaving Korea to Sacramento, CA.

Well, **Mike Mullane** finally made it in to orbit. I understand he was a bit crabby on his return, but then who wouldn't be after not being able to go to the bathroom for a week. It wouldn't have been so bad if there hadn't been a woman on board. Makes for a certain amount of modesty. Maybe **Woody Spring** will be able to fix the toilet on his flight. The great unanswered question will always be—was it Mike who stopped the thing up?

Jack Wood, who at last account was still in command of an Inf Bn in Germany, had a darn good article in the Jul-Aug issue of **Infantry Magazine,** dealing with the joint employment of light and heavy infantry forces. No, that doesn't mean fat and skinny guys in the same squad. Read the article.

OK, thats enough gibberish. The plane is about to land and they won't sell me any more booze, so I have lost my inspiration. By the way, despite the record number of responses (265) to last issues quiz on the color of **Angie Nida's** hair—all different I might add—no one got the right answer. There were some interesting suggestions, though, which I passed along to Angie.

Take care, friends. Hang in there—God loves you. BEAT NAVY

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How 'bout that Army Team? Is it a thrill or what? No doubt Army football is special to every member of our Class—ever since the team beat Navy 20 yrs ago, and we got to fall out until Christmas leave. This is the sneakiest way I can come up with to remind those that went before us of '68's good fortune to be the Christmas Class. . . .

Congratulations to **Walt Meinshausen** and visiting professor **Mike Noonan** who can celebrate their birthday while watching the Army-Navy Game this year. You should be receiving this publication on **Russ Baker's, Jim Craig's, Richard Palke's,** marketer **Lyle Pirnie's,** and **George Schweitzer's** birthday—if it arrives on 3 Dec. While neighbor **Mike Fellows, Bob Hensler,** and **Gary Schappaugh** Esq arrived on this earth just prior to Christmas, homebody **Chris Ohlinger** and **Hank Toczylowski** waited 'til "THE" day—Merry Christmas, Mom. . . . My records show that no classmate was born on 1 Jan or 29 Feb.

With my birthday babbling, can you tell already that we didn't get a great windfall of mail this quarter? Actually, we tripled last quarter's classmate mail, and received a neat note from a classmate of a RTO that's so bright they call him Sunny. . . . It is hoped that we'll break into double digits for mail next time. . . .

Frocked **Gil Tijerina** (USMILGRP, El Salvador, Bde OPATT, APO Miami 34023) sent greetings from El Paraino and to report that his tour will be half finished by Christmas. He says that the cadets down there spend 1 yr in school and 3 yrs in the bush on a big practical exercise with live fire TEEs. He did not say he got so far south in CA so as to see **Art Torres** (PSC Box 1467, APO Miami 34004). It is hoped Art is back home safe in the land of muggers and drunk drivers. Gil is asking Santa for claymores and trip flares this yr, and says that he's just as proud of his USCC ARCOM as I am—maybe if we had paid less attention to insulation and more attention to cadet dietitian.

Bob Lorber (15 Calvert Ct, Piedmont, CA 94611) and daughter Nicole warn us that no one else should try to come out to Hottubland—it's getting too crowded and any extra weight might aggravate the San Andreas fault. Wish I had stayed awake in ES&GS so I'd know if he was kidding. He's working full-time as the district manager for Medi-scan, a medical/dental computer firm, and putters with the Army as a reservist by pulling duty at Ft Ord. Bob reported working with **John Heisel** at DISCOM there.

1968: Manske and his supporters.

Another winning reservist is **Rob Broderick,** who was promoted to LTC last Aug after cmding 6/68th AR for a little over 2 yrs. His wife, **Becky,** reports that he is now the USMA LNO for Eastern PA while still working at Air Products & Chem Inc as a pgm mgr in their Advanced Products Div. From the looks of the drawing of the home on their stationery, those who are not going to visit the **Vehlows** for the holidays could easily visit the Brodericks.

While on the subject of successful civilians, I'm sure you all noted **Paul DeCoursey's** smiling face as an AOG Trustee-at-Large in the last ASSEMBLY. He looked just as good and fit in '81 when the Robersons and Gerards attended the Founders Day that he put on at Ft Harrison. I hate people that don't change. Like many, Paul left the Army in '73 after his return from the jungle rumble. After 11 yrs in Indianapolis with his wife Geri, 15 year-old-son Sean, and 11-year-old daughter Heather, he is general agent for the CT Mutual's Indianapolis Agency and president of the IN WP Soc. Paul provided the best address anyone could come up with for **Bill Schutsky**—Ft Ben. **Dave Olmstead** was recently assigned from WSMR to the Defense Info School there also, and **Mike & Barbara Soice** emerge periodically to attend a function.

A full-time Army classmate—soon to command the 141st Sig Bn in the 1st AD—is **Dwight Lee.** After homesteading in the DC area for 4½ yrs (as of next June, when he takes the Bn), while he has been assigned to National Capital Region Soldiers Support Center, FRG will be quite a change for Dwight's wife, **Donna,** and their 3 daughters. **Donna,** presently an exec secy in a marketing div of a very large bank, enclosed a picture so all can see the warm smile of daughter Debbie with the lights glittering on $3000 worth of braces prior to moving to where they will by chomped to pieces by peanut brittle with no local orthodontist available. . . .

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Dwight reports seeing **Ed Mendoza** at Ft Gordon during TDY's, and is looking for **Chuck Canella.**

Lee & Ginny Morand report, among other things, that the 1st snow of the yr to fall on the mtns around Ft Richardson appeared during the evening of 25 Aug. After 21 months as the XO of the 4/327 IN, he may have needed it to cool down. **Ned Doyle** (68/69) took his place. **Joe Javorski** just left Ft Richardson, where he had been an IG and XO of 5/327 IN, en route to be PMS at Worchester Polytech in MA (See cdt issued Std Col Dictionary for address). The Morands see **George Nippell** when George isn't fishing or lobbying for the rights of US commercial fishermen in Siberia. They also reported sighting **George Ziots,** who can be reached at BX 1775 (Star Route 1-B), Eagle River, AK 99577 (907-694-9822)—about 10 miles north of Anchorage.

1968: The Lees in Maryland.

Dennis Manske reported in using stationery belonging to a hotel in Austin that most of us can't even afford to walk into. Dennis is quite an entertaining world traveler who has competed in each of the countries that take part in NATO military shooting (or triathelon?) competition. This year, it was Rome, and next—his 12th year—will be Oslo. On his way through Atlanta, to shoot at all-Army at Ft Benning, he saw **Bruce Erion** on the news with his helicopter and surrounded by hordes of thoroughly entertained children—just like Buckner. While at Ft Sam Houston for the US Trials, he saw **John Gonzalez** about to PCS. He was in El Paso to see **John Anderson** complete a C&GSC resident phase for reservists. The picture shows the results of the 8 mi run—part of the US Team Trials—where he took first at Cp Bullis in 43:57. Note that Dennis has not lost his concern for others—he kept his head up in the picture to prevent camera glare. One does wonder, with all his globetrotting, if Dennis ever works at a real job. . . .

Toney Mathews (5660 Folger Dr, Charlotte, NC, 28226, 704-365-6235) wrote to give his side of working with Duke Power. Contrary to what **Jim Cima** and other industrial relations major might think, Duke Power is also famous for the success of its nuclear and coal power programs. Toney has worked on the design of all 7 of Duke Power's nuclear plants. He and **Ginger** saw **Pat Strong** in Raleigh last spring. Pat is still with the NC Hwy Dept, but is willing to visit WP to straighten out the road repair project designed by the rat keeper at BS&L (MP&L when the Comdt owned it—anyway, the "L" is still last) lab. The only other classmate Toney knows in the area is **John Harmeling,** who is a CPA in Charlotte—indicating that **Howard Kympton** uses 6633 Pensford Ln in Toney's zip area only as a mail drop.

While at MDW F&AO to pick up an advance on travel pay for a trip to Ft Hood, I saw **Jim Orahood** who was there for the same reason—only he was going BACK to CA with an aviation "wish book" for a new Blackhawk organization. He says it's fun showing folks in the field such a MILPERCEN document—something about going through it like a Ladycliff student and a **Howitzer.** Jim's smile hasn't changed a bit. He said **Lee Outlaw** has already moved on to the precommand course and should be cmndng his bn in FRG by now.

On the same trip to the Pentagon, I caught **Jesse Gatlin** out of his ODCSOPS Asst XO corner without a hall pass. Then—deja vu—"Bad Max" caught both of us. Do things ever change? Jesse is just hanging out waiting for his bn and was present for **Bruce Perry's** Medal of Freedom presentation at the Rose Garden. He said that he would let the '68 gang in the DC area know I was in town so we could all get together. Since then, the only calls I've received at home have been wrong numbers.

At this stage of our life in the Army, the Pentagon is like Thayer Hall 20 yrs ago—lots of familiar faces, and everybody is in a higher section than me. To really drive home this point, after I had taken my family to brunch at Roy Rogers' fast chicken joint, and we were on our way to cheap entertainment in DC via subway from the Pentagon, we met **Gary Halstead** coming out of PFCU after getting some bucks to take **Pattie** to brunch with **Robbie & Cathy Robinson** at the Ft Myer O Club. Gary is working with **Ron Adams** on DCSOPS people plans, which underscore that nothing is too good for the troops in the future. Ron tried to make me feel better and make this job tougher all at once by reporting that the highlight of his week is to sit out in the back yard on Sat night and listen to his bug zapper.

While at Ft Hood, I tried to drop in on and call **Pete Sowa** at his "John Henry" Bn HQ, but to no avail. With his propensity to find back doors, if he had designed the Alamo, TX wouldn't be a state. For those of you that didn't know, Pete branch transferred from IN to CE awhile back. After his bn, if he doesn't go directly to the War College, he is slated to teach barrier planning to Marines.

While flying back from Ft Hood, I had the opportunity to meet **Bill Gardepe's** lovely bride, AA flight attendant Linda. After slipping us some AA wine and some drink coupons, she reported that Bill is quite happy working in the R&D arena at the Pentagon, and still plays the best tennis ever. They spend most of their time amassing vast funds to invest in real estate inside the DC beltway.

To tell you the truth, I was hoping to get through at least this one quarter without having to review some magic list. But once the new LTC list was released, I realized how selfish I was. I believe these folks deserve hearty congratulations and our greatest admiration because they are among the real fighters of the class. I'm proud to list **Rick Carlson** (125 Air Traffic Control Bn, APO SF 96301), **Rick Flynn, Rick Goodell, Chuck Jones,** Alvie Kimball, **Bruce Korda, Rick Miller** (Dir of Fac Eng, Ft Jackson, SC 29207), **Dennis Rosenberry, Dan Ryan,** and **Dick Steiner** (Bx 95, US Embassy, APO SF 96404) as soon-to-be LTCs. If I missed anyone it's probably because I ran out of **Dave Carraway's** brandy prior to reaching your name, or you did something sneaky like change branches when you were a LT.

This is the first issue in a while without a birth announcement. We could expect such silence from shopping mall construction entrepreneur **Skip Greeby** and super soldiers **Bill** ((the oldest) **McCauley** and **Frank Audrain** (7802 Phillips Rd SW, Tacoma, WA 98498) because they're the oldest, if not the wisest, in the Class. But what about such kids as dentist **George Christensen,** oil magnet **Rich Russell,** and lawyer **Vic Farrugia?** They're more under 40 than Bill, Skip, and Frank are over. Could Drs **Mike Gilhuly, Steve Herman** and **Mike Romash** have something to do with this population drop-off?

From what I have been told, **Hank Alward** (H3), **Mike Havey** (B4), **Harrison** (Flip) **Jack** (H1), **Pat Moe** (H4), **Charlie Myers** (A4), **Mike Selvitelle** (E3), **Doug Stevenson** (F1), **John Stolp** (A3), and **Charles Williams** (H3 again) were among the 68 Americans that had not been interviewed for the position of Democratic vice-presidential candidate because they didn't have up-to-date addresses on file with the Scribe or the AOG. Because he was a foreign cadet, **Joaquin Perez** couldn't be selected, but that doesn't mean we don't miss him and want to know where he is. See where co reps would come in handy? I just know that somebody who reads this article knows where these folks are. The goal is to get everybody accounted for by our 20th reunion.

By request of many who wrote, and to amplify my late and painful note of last issue, the Lord embraced **Diane, Fred Johnson's** bride of 16 yrs, one month and 12 days on 17 July. He took her and 10 years of pain from cancer, kidney failure, and associated cardiopulmonary problems away. Diane left this mortal world peacefully, and with dignity, in a coma after suffering a major stroke less than a week before. Her "baby blue" eyes still see as she donated them, and they were accepted during a subsequent transplant the evening of her departure. Fred and the boys are staying on at WP till at least next summer. From there, Fred hopes to take the boys to FRG to show them where their Mom grew up. The family has established a fund to install two stained glass windows in the Cyprus Community Church of Monterey (Bx 3170, Monterey, CA 93942) as a memorial to Diane. We'll miss Diane always—especially during football season, where she shivered with all of us up in the scholarship section during some tough years.

1968: The Tooles looking for a home in DC.

Among the **Johnson** well-wishers were **Mike & Sue Toole** (6620 Mia St NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109, 505-821-1289). He has been stationed in the SW area so long that I fear Sue has lost touch with reality—she wants a big colonial in the DC area for under $100K. It's going to be tough to move—NM just

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won't be losing a cub master, a den leader, a Bible study leader and a PTA member; The Tooles will also be losing equity.

This summer, the **Gerards** had the opportunity to spend a weekend at Bull Pond with **Dutch, Megan,** and David **Hostler** (9 Penbroke Rd, Endicott, NY 13760). We're still getting thankyou notes from most European and Canadian breweries. Wonder if the Supe will note his pond is a little deeper and warmer. **Ray Puffer** (1 Vincent Terrace, Long Valley, NJ 07853) stopped by, after picking up his daughters at camp and repairing his minibus, to tell a couple of McDonalds stories prior to returning to dep-PM duties at Picatinny.

OK gang, the game's over. You can come out now. Wasn't it fun to watch Dave try to stretch 9 letters, some chance encounters at Disneyland East, and a few pictures into the 5 to 6 columns you expect? The deadline for the Mar issue is the end of this month. Those with birthdays in Mar thru May are "due." Those who have not been in print within the last year are really due. Holiday picture cards and tackie news letters are acceptable. I've used everything but news from **Gary Roberson** on a new award. The rule for a picture to be published is that a grad of the Class must be in it. So if **Bill Dyer** (US Embassy, APO NY 09777) ever wants to share with us the wonder of watching an overweight ballerina making a fool of herself in a leotard, he must stand next to her and get someone else to take the picture. But first, he must quit his Roman pub crawls. From the Class to the Class, have a good holiday season, have a terrific New Year, write to us, and be careful—you're all we've got.—DAVE

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This col is being written on 30 Sep, covering news received since 4 Jul. The deadline for the Mar issue is 5 Jan.

By the time you read this entry, both the 15 yr Reunion and the Navy game will be history. Elsewhere in this issue is a brief rpt on the Reunion, which I will enhance next time. With the Army team's 2-0-1 start, hopes are running high for a successful season culminating with a win in Philly.

Mail this qtr was exceptionally slow; indeed, for the first time ever, not a single piece of mail was received from anyone in the mil. Before getting to our news, however, I will open with a few tidbits collected from visits or calls.

Val & Jon Smrtic stopped by my ofc this summer enroute to Monterey Lang Sch and the Spanish Cmd & Stf Coll. They located **Scott Smith,** who is an orthopedic surgeon at Ft Knox, as well as **Bill Foster** with the 24th Div at Ft Stewart, GA, and **Hank Schroeder,** who is with the FORSCOM IG at Ft McPherson.

Ken Johnson, who recently became a VP of Hadron Corporation, hosted a Labor Day swim party at **Linda's** and his home in Manassas, VA. In attendance were **Albright, Ralph Crosby, Kathy Freeman, Frykman, Hawley, Jim Johnson, Bill Jones, Landrum, Love, McGovern** (back in town with Career Development), **Nardotti** (and new son Matthew John, born 26 Jun), **Pettitt,** and **Mike Williams.** When **Charlie Jarvis** came to town later in Sep, we had a luncheon for him at the White House Mess with Crosby, McGovern, and Ken Johnson in attendance. Charlie located **Bob Allardice** with Bandag Corp in Dallas, **Dick Luecke** with Lutheran Brotherhood Ins Corp in MI, and **Gary Steele** in the svc at Ft Carson. Also, we decided at the luncheon not to publish a Class directory this yr, since so many directories were returned for insufficient addresses last yr. Those of you who have been kind enough to furnish new addresses will have your new address kept on file with me and sent to WP to update the AOG address list.

Holly & I hosted a farewell party for **Eileen & Casey Brower** in Jul, just before the Browers returned to WP. **Marianne & Bob Ivany** and **Nancy & Skip Bacevich** joined us, Skip being in town on a Council on Foreign Relations fellowship. In Sep, we joined **Janice & Paul Albright's** party celebrating the large contingent picked up for LTC. In attendance were **Coyle, Frykman, Hamilton,** and **Jim Johnson,** all selectees. Congrats to all on the list! Also in Sep was a nice dinner party with **Susan & Greg Foster,** who recently returned to Washington and a faculty position at the Natl Def U.

First ltr this qtr was from **Don Nagel,** who has opened his own brokerage ofc in Marblehead, MA. Returning to New England are **Debbie & Jim Nelson,** who are in Hartford, CT with Pratt & Whitney. Jim completed his yr of Executive Exchange with EXIM Bank this Aug.

Glenn Schiraldi wrote while on res duty at Ft Huachuca to say he is on the faculty at the UMD, teaching courses on stress mgmt. **Don Crosby** called from Rocky Mount, NC, where he is associated with a 50/50 venture between Cummins and Consolidated Diesel. **Dennis Nishida** is also involved in the project according to Don.

Pat Davis sent a nice note and photo from Houston, where **John** is an atty for Duval Corp. They have held a get-together with **Jed Cantlay** and **Charlie Whatton** at their home in Kingwood. **Rick Ricker** called from CO Springs to rpt that he is now Exec VP and Chief Operating Off of Shuck Corp, the largest real estate corp in CO Springs. He had recently seen or spoken to **Dave Krall, Guy Nanney,** and **Dutch Shultz,** as well as **Jack Gloriod** who is at Carson.

Bob Yaap sent two letters and a photo to rpt on the very active CA contingent. He, **Schatz, Hayton,** and **Jarvis** (visiting from NJ) had gone on a backpacking drop in the High Sierras, and there were two large Class gatherings over the summer. In Jul, **Harmeling, Harms, Kenady, McCall, Mischler, Rountree, Seiler, Taylor** (E-4) **Wheelock, Walkenbach,** and **Yaap** had a luncheon in Newport Bch, while these folks plus **Leitzke** joined for a beach party in Sep with families. The group is planning to gather in Palm Springs in Dec at the Sheraton where **Art Nigro** is the mgr. Bob also mentioned that **Dick Jarman** has been promoted to Sr VP of Opns for Butler Mfg in Kansas City, while **Bill Johnsmeyer** took over from Dick as Pres of Butler's Walker Div in Parkersburg, WV. While in CA in Aug with the Pres, **Bob Ivany** and I had dinner with **Susie & Tom Wheelock.** Susie has opened her own personnel consulting firm in LA.

1969: John Davis, Cantlay (regressing), and Whatton in Houston

Last ltr this qtr was from **Steve Korach,** who is an Ops Mgr with Proctor & Gamble in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. The family has been able to travel fairly extensively, and his ltr was postmarked from Athens to stress that point. Before leaving the US, Steve had seen **Bob Foos** in LA, where he is with Transamerica, **Gene Murphy** in NJ, and **Tom Schafer,** with Proctor & Gamble in GA.

1969: California party: Yaap, Mischlers, McCalls, Seilers, Rountrees, Kenadys, Harmelings, and Harmses.

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Rob Leslie called in Aug while back here for his JAG res tour. He said **Bob Molter** had finished up at Stanford and is at the Pentagon, **Pat Spann** is back at the Pentagon, and **Rod Mosbacker** is an active duty Reservist at RCPAC in St Louis.

1969: Hayton, Schatz, Yaap, and Jarvis at Devil's Bathtub, High Sierras, CA.

Two tour takers this qtr. **John Harms** and dau Michelle stopped by in Aug, while **Don Smith** and family came in late Jul.

That's it for this qtr. Please help make the Mar issue informative by updating the Class through holiday cards and greetings sent to me by the end of Dec. Holly and the children are well and join me in wishing you a happy and holy holiday season.

Until the spring, God bless to all in '69.

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Hello once again from the good old USA! It certainly has been a busy 3 mo since the last ASSEMBLY. Just as I finished the maze of customs inspections and other bureaucratic maneuvering to leave Izmir, **Frank & Paulette Monaco** and family arrived to begin their tour with NATO LANDSOUTHEAST. As luck would have it, the Monacos found an apartment in the same Turkish apartment building that I lived in. I wish them good luck with their tour and many wonderful memories of a truly unique place. Frank definitely has one of the more unusual views in Izmir from his living room balcony. You will have to write and ask Frank if you are curious as to what it is. He can be reached at APO NY 09224.

1970: McNamaras, Thibodeau, Aldens, and Stevenses

Kurt Reineke called from Fayetteville, NC to give an update on what he has been doing since the UN Peacekeeper assignment in Jordan. Kurt, **Sheri** and their two children have had a hectic 3 yrs back in the US with Kurt going to AFSC and DLI, where he has honed his linguistic skills in Arabic—specifically Saudi. In May 85 he will be assigned to Saudi Arabia as an aide to the Crown Prince. In preparation for this he has been TDY a great deal. Sheri and the kids are going to enjoy a long visit to CT while Kurt finishes up his Master's in Political Science in NC. As a FAO in the Middle East, Kurt is really at the forefront in a dynamic, volatile region. Additionally, he had some news on other classmates. **Mike Gyovai** is CO of a Civil Affairs Co at Bragg. **Dave White** is the assignments officer for Ordnance Branch in DC —quite a position, being at the controls of the assignments chess game. **Vic Madeja** owns a publishing co in Allentown, PA called Game Publishing. According to Kurt, the company specializes in military related materials.

Tom Gerard wrote from Germany where he is with the 547th Engr Bn in Darmstadt. He met **Tom MacIver** who arrived in Hanau this summer from CGSC in time for the 130th Engr Bde picnic. Later he evaluated the 547th on their ARTEP. **Bob Bauman** arrived in Darmstadt this summer and is serving as the DEH. Evidently, Bob has his work cut out for him in Darmstadt! With his arrival, we have 3 Engr types in that locale. **Dave Dinsmore** is also there. While the Gerards vacationed at Chiemsee in Aug, they met **Brian & Colleen Bryson.** Brian is a civilian with EUD in Frankfurt. That same week, **Bob & Joyce Hilliard** were also there. Bob is serving on the USAREUR Staff. Tom writes that **George Allin** is FSO for 1st Bde, 8th ID in Mainz.

1970: Velez and Young, Ft. Benning

Michael Short is a First Officer with Delta Airlines and lives in Dallas, TX. Additionally, he races on the airline international ski team. In Sep he skiied in New Zealand. An avid runner, he manages a rigorous running schedule of 9 miles each day. If anyone in the Class has an extra copy of our HOWITZER, you could do Mike a big favor if you would sell it to him. He would like to purchase it, since his has disappeared. If you have one, write to me and I will pass the info on to him. Our year is the only one from 1961-1984 for which the Academy has no extra HOWITZERS.

Russ & Christine Morris sent some interesting news from SHAPE Belgium. They are the proud parents of a second set of fraternal twins that arrived on 31 Mar 84! Mom and the babies are doing fine and Christine says that was her 3rd and last C-Section. **Ann & Joe Henn** came up from Germany to be godparents for the new twins. So, with a set of twins 10 yrs old, a 3 yr old and twins 8 mo old, they have their hands full. Russ moved to SHAPE after 3 years in Holland with the Central Region Signal Group at AFCENT. According to Christine, they are living in a converted barn in a very rural setting. Russ has seen **Tom Costello** in his travels around SHAPE.

Charlie Velez wrote from Benning, where he is one of the "Black Hats" with the Airborne Training Section as the XO. Recently, Charlie had a unique experience. While inspecting training he saw a familiar face that turned out to be an A-4 classmate, **John Young.** John is in the AF and is in a "jump slot" at MacDill AFB . . . so it was off to Benning. Charlie & **Marilyn** had John over for supper and to reminisce as well as meet their 2 children, Christine and Carlos. Charlie took great pleasure in jumping with John on his 1st jump and later pinning his abn wings on.

Other classmates at Benning include **Reggie Morrison,** who is with the Inf. Bd. **Bob Wagner** was S-3 of the 75th Ranger Rgt and moved on to command a Bn in the 193rd Inf Bde in Panama. **John VanVliet** is also with the 75th Rangers and is an LNO within the S-3 section. **Charlie Velez** extends an invite to all classmates traveling through the Benning area. AIRBORNE!

This past summer **Tom & Marcie McNamara** were heading to Germany to serve as LNO to the Belgian Bde at Cologne. Prior to their departure, **Shelby & Melissa Stevens** got a group from the Class of 70 together for a proper send-off. The group gathered in Worcester, MA. Others present included **Art & Jackie Alden** and **Rick & Mary Ellen Thibodeau.** Art & Jackie live in Bedford, NH where Art works for Norden Systems Inc. (a subsidiary of United Technologies). Rick & MaryEllen live in West Hartford, CT where he has been made a partner in a rising accounting firm. Mary Ellen has returned to Law School and hopes to complete her JD by Christmas. Shelby & Melissa live in Alexandria, VA, where he works in ODCSOPS on High Technology and Testing. Melissa teaches 9th Grade algebra and geometry at the Potomac School in McLean, VA. They tried to get **Ed & Barbara Hirsch** to the event, but they were busy with a move to Severna Park, MD. Ed is working for Commercial Credit (a subsidiary of Control Data) and Barbara has just taken a new job as regional manager for a chain of key and lock concessions throughout MD, DE and northern VA.

1970: Morris and children: twins Andy and Alex (10 yrs), Owen (3 yrs), and twins Katie and Sarah (4 mo)

The **Schweningers** have left Pittsburgh for Leavenworth, where **Elmer** will start as XO of a Directorate in the Ops Research Act and later move to the position of Off Pers Mgr for the CAC. I could sense a feeling of sad resignation at having to pick up roots from an assignment they enjoyed very much. **Ross Williams** finally broke silence and surfaced in Florence, SC where he is Prod Mgr with Baxter-Travenol Laboratories, respon-

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sible for the manufacture of disposable medical supplies. **Dave Schroeder** is now at Ft Carson after a touch and go situation in the reassignment arena. **Chuck Lucente** is head Engr at Graf. Rumor has that he is doing some satirical writing for the **Stars and Stripes** in rebutting letters to the editor from disgruntled transients at that most wonderful of all training sites.

Mike & Irma Jones had their 4th child this past Sep—Evangelina. That evens the tally at 2 boys and 2 girls.

Well if the 1st three games of the football season are any indication, this may finally have been a winning season by this publication date. If you are going to be in the Phila area for Army-Navy, please contact me. I would love to see you. The BEST to you and yours for the upcoming Holiday Season!

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Do you feel that energy? It is not a Luke Skywalker force field, nor is it the Army mule in heat. The Rabble is back! A winning tradition has returned and is beginning to permeate the Long Gray Line. Sources close to the flagpole tell me the secret to success is that the team and the Corps believe in themselves and in the coach, Jim Young . . . the best appointment to a major organization since Iacocca took over Chrysler. Roll, Rabble.

Also on a roll and in rarified air are our recent LTC selectees. Kudos to the following Army Competitive Category (guys in the trenches) studs: **Joe Bergantz, Bill Carr, Jerry Eldelen, Don Elder, Bob Holcombe, Tom Metz, Darrell Morgeson, Al Patterson, Stan Phernambucq, John Spears, Jerry Thompson** (A-3), and **Tim Wray.** In the 'physicians-in-uniform' program, the following honorees are applauded: **Pete Andersen, Steve Gooden, Dave Hahn, Bob Harvey, John Moore, Gary Nickel,** and **Larry Sakas.** Congratulations to all.

1971: Dave Schlenen flying high

Received a short note from **Frank Bifulco** (or was it a frank note from a short person?), asking for an address for **Bob Lambert,** erroneously listed in the last issue as posted to Rucker. Don't look there, Frank; he went to Leavenworth. The Army personnel management system still has some glitches, folks. Frank is a marketing and management consultant for the American Consulting Group, Inc in Boston. He is assisting the WP Society of New England with a recruiting campaign and reorganizing its activities to appeal to more recent graduates. Ideas may be forwarded to him at 617-443-7383.

Mike & Mary Lynn McRee have also become consummate entrepreneurs. Their 'Caravan Connection' was incorporated last summer. The **McRees** sell Oriental carpets, as well as train and supply others to do the same. Among their 13 representatives around the country are **Fred & Dee Estrella.**

Dave Schlener touched down long enough to drop a line from TX where he flies for the L.R. French Companies (oil, manufacturing, cattle, horses). He recently returned from "jobs" in France, Germany, Austria, Italy, Monaco, Ireland, and Canada, just in time to establish a winter base of operations in Palm Springs. Dave bumped into **Sam & Valerie Sutter,** who are in their 5th year with Bell Helicopters outside Ft Worth. Sam is a Flight Test Manager on the new Bell 400 series of helicopters, as well as a MAJ in the TX ANG where he commands an aviation detachment. **Bob Bishop** flies in Sam's unit when not working for Merrill-Lynch. Bob accepted a WO commission so that he could stay in the cockpit. **Larry Merkl** has taken a temporary respite from making megabucks in real estate development to become president of a high tech computer devices company in CO Springs. Word has it that you need to "watch your wallet" when Larry is soliciting support for his company.

1971: The Matwiczaks

If you are in DC and want a personal tour of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (or Georgetown, for that matter), call **Gus Bremer.** After graduating from Bragg, Gus was assigned as the XO of the Old Guard. A fitting Adonis prototype, I must say.

The **Nastasis** checked in after a brief absence from the communications network. Still in Brewster, NY, **Mike** is the Mgr of Sys Architecture and Ops (Africa, Mideast, and Europe) at IBM. The highlight of the Nastasis' summer was their sponsorship of a 9 yr old girl from Belfast for a few months.

Collin Fitzpatrick **Andrew** checked into **Paul & Karen's** life on 27 Sep 84. With Paul's enthusiasm, I fully expect young Mr. Andrew to soon be crawling the Boston Marathon route.

The Beat Navy stationery that I received from **Barb & Ken Matwiczak** included the exciting news of their adoption of 1 mo old Brynn Elizabeth, born 5 Jun 84. The Matwiczaks mentioned that **Bob & Candy Snyder** moved into town after a short tour in Turkey. Bob is an orthopedic surgeon at Beaumont AMC. Candy was, at last report, expecting twins in Sep 84 to add to the clan which includes Jeffrey (7) and Jessica (4).

Best get your mail in before the rates go up. People at the ASSEMBLY are beginning to talk about the length of these articles. Don't make me a failure; I do well enough on my own.

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Hope this Dec issue finds all well. At print time it looked as if Army football showed signs of an exciting season; I'll trust that is the case now.

Here in Aiken, **Chuck Warner** is now with DuPont after several years with the Dept of Energy. He and **Maureen** and boys are enjoying life in Chuck's hometown. The Warners had a visit from **John Kidder** during the summer and John provided a rundown of the B-4 contacts he's had. The list includes **Doug Hoon,** who's got his own specialty parts manufacturing co near Branford, CT. **Bob & Tona Akers** are in Richmond, MO where they own and operate a couple of furniture and interior decorating stores. **Jim Benko** is with IL Bell. **Jim & Alice** live in Orland Parks, IL. **Tony & Rhonda Dedmond** are in HI where Tony is with the Air Cav. **Bill & Joanne Farmer** are in Monterey, CA, where Bill is at Nav PGS. **Chris Feudo** is S-3 of the Abn School Bn at Ft Benning.

Also, **Mark & Opuni Fischer** are in Thailand where he is in the MAAG (AF). The report on **Steve Gillon** has him working on his doctorate, but the report doesn't include where. **Jeff & Jill Harlow** are still in Belton, TX; and, **Greg & Lynn Hart** are in San Antonio. Greg is ROTC instructor at St. Mary's U. **Bill & Ann Hatch** are on a utilization tour after he finished his master's at GA Tech. **John & Kathy Marvin** are in Arvada, CO, where John is an independent oil operator. **Greg & Mary Matiya** continue living in Decatur, IL. Greg is with a construction firm there. **Burt & Marcia Tulkki** are at Ft Carson where Burt is with the Div Arty; he may be a Bn XO by now. **Willie & Kay Webb** are still at WP with Willie in the Soc Sci Dept. **Denny & Pat Donahue** are settled in Iowa City, IA where he's with Proctor and Gamble. The **Kidders** were on their way to Berlin when they stopped to see the **Warners. John** is a Bn XO in the Berlin Bde. Thanks for the update, John & **Bernadette.**

Another co report is from **Dennis Gray.** He has this rundown on I-1 mates. **Mark Faith** finished up at WP and is now at DLI in Monterey, CA. After that it will be on to Garmisch, Germany and a FAO tour. Sounds tough! **Mark & Denise** bought a cabin in the Adirondack Mountains while at WP. With a little skiing under their belts there, they'll be ready for Garmisch. **Ken Martin** will complete his Master's in Opns Research soon and will go on to TRADOC at Ft Monroe for his utilization tour. Ken plans to do CGSC by correspondence and build a house in Newport News, VA at the same time. **Bill Wilson** continues his residency in the Pacific Northwest; he has 6 months in Spokane, 6 months in Seattle, and a year in Tacoma to finish up. **Gerry Zmolek** continues as an attorney in Tacoma. **Gerry & Cindy** bought a new house last year. **Ron Murphree** is now in Austin, TX with a new construction engineering outfit. **Joe Sconiffe** is in his last year of med school. He'll be doing his internship after graduation in May. **Woodie Collins** is at CGSC, **Jim McLean** now at Hanau, Ger, with 1/40 FA (8"), and **Bob McLaughlin** is XO for the CDC at Ft Belvoir. Bob says he also duos in the program management office. **Pat Flachs** continues at the Govt Appelate in Northern VA; looks like Pat will be there

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another year. **Jim Griffin** left the OMB to become Dpty Secy of NSC. Also, **Tom Nelson** says he's enjoying his job with Booz Allen. His main clients are the NAVY and the GSA. Finally, **Dennis & Nancy Gray** are in VA with GE. Dennis says his work continues to be interesting and challenging. Thanks for the report, Dennis.

Got a short note from **Jeff Tucker** this past Sept. Jeff's law practice is keeping him extremely busy. Last May he was elected Treasurer of the PA Bar Association's Young Lawyer Division. Jeff is also a JAGC reservist, but says the demands of his work may take its toll on that. He mentioned that **Jack Opiola** took a new job in CA working for a defense contractor; he was with International Paper in NYC.

Finally a note from the **Bursleys** who are on the move again. **Ward** was transferred from the DC area to Los Angeles as district manager of the Western Region for SBS. He moved out early while **Jody** remained back east to sell their 5-month old house! The Bursleys heard from **Jim & Kathy Bowden** at Quantico. Also, **Jim Veeder** and family left WA State for sunny So CA. The Bursleys hope to see Jim (Ward's roommate at WP) for the first time since graduation. Oh yes, Ward and Jody are advertising a great house in No. VA!

Thanks for all the news from those who contributed. All 72'ers should make a New Year's resolution to send at least one line of news for the column. See everyone next time.

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Merry Christmas!! It really is hard to believe that this time of year has come again! And it seems like just a few days ago I was sitting in my office in Wuerzburg wondering where I would be this fall. Well, I've really got so much for which to be thankful this holiday season. How about you? I hope each of you is doing great, that the year has been successful, and that even better things are to happen in '85.

In keeping with the celebrating spirit of Christmas, **Rick & Debbie Read** sent me a card to joyfully announce the arrival of Jonathan Chase born on 5 Jul, and he "arrived" in the Read family on the 10th. Fantastic news! By now it's possible too that **John & Gail Hazel** have made yet another addition to their family as well. They were hoping to get a second child while they are still in Korea . . . a baby brother for Mandy. As soon as I get the good word from Gail, I'll pass it on to you. Anyway, back to the Reads: Debbie admitted that Jul was unbelievably exciting. In the same month they got a new house, new car, and Jonathan too! Now young William Leland (3 yrs) has a partner to ensure constant parental entertainment. Incidentally, Rick's working for Goodyear and was recently transferred from Lawton, OK to Southfield, MI to continue working in the quality assurance field.

Got a nice card too from **Tom & Terri Fitzsimmons.** They're now in Fountain Valley, CA, just about an hour from L.A, and have just completed their 10th move in 11 yrs. And we thought we had it bad in el Army?! Tom was promoted out of his previous job in Cleveland with Standard Oil. Pretty slick, huh? Actually the whole thing was rigged. They obviously shelled out some bucks. (I'll have to work on the oil jokes.) Seriously, Terri is now teaching social studies at a private HS and had some good news about classmates: **Phil & Paula Lynch** are in WA where Phil's completing a JAGC assignment and Paula's finishing med school; **Chuck & Donna Hendrick** jubilantly announced the arrival of their newly adopted son Jeffrey Charles at WP—he's about 5 mo old now; **Dave & Pat Winklbauer** are right here in the Boston area. Dave has a new job with a major firm and Pat's an exec sec at BC (we all know though that there's only one REAL univ in the Boston area); **Denny Geoghan** is on a "European Tour" after graduation from the JFK School of Government at Harvard; and **Kevin & Sue Kelly** are in upstate NY at grad school. They've recently welcomed #3, a boy, a few months ago. Thanks for all the glad tidings.

1973: Dallas Founders Day, 1984

How about the Dallas Founder's Day photo?! What a great assemblage! You know, the thing that really struck me about that photo is the fact that there's not one uniform in it. Perhaps it's the self-fulfilling prophecy of our motto "Proud and Free" . . . Proud we served our country but presently free. Who knows. Anyway, **Tom O'Connor** sent a great letter loaded with up-to-date info: **Donnie Atkins** is a systems analyst for LTV Corp; **Jesse Adams** is a regional mgr for Sunguard; **Rick Dakin** is a new home builder in OK City; **John Twomey** is a realtor/student/new dad; **Stan Shipley** is handling international investments for Republic Bank; **Scott Stewart** is a broker for Merrill Lynch; **Guy Marsala** is a regional sales mgr for American Hospital Supply; **Mike Vanzetta** is a sales support engr for AT&T; **Chuck Woodrow** is a new home builder in the Dallas area (maybe he and **Rick Dakin** could team up and incorporate?); **Bob Meyer** is a pers mgr for Frito Lay; and **Don McMahon** is a plant pers mgr for Frito Lay. (What do Bob and Don do when the "chips" are down?) Congratulations are due both **Mike Vanzetta** and **Tim O'Connor** as both are now card carrying MBAs . . . they graduated together from the U of Dallas in May, and Tom's now working as a sales engr for Hadco Printed Circuits. Regarding news on the home front Tom writes:"**June** & I now have 2 growing, busy, busy boys. Tom IV was 7 in Sep and already has several soccer seasons and one T-ball season under his belt. Mike, who was 4 in Aug, will try ANYTHING his older brother encourages him to do . . . and is already jumping off the high board at the pool (with water in the pool even). June is just trying to keep up with her boys"—but is about to have a stroke. (I've got to work on the swimming jokes too, huh?) Tom, thanks very much for all the great news.

Bob & Jane Jarell checked in from Bragg and sent a picture too. Can you believe the size of the **Jarrell & Bogosian** clans? The photo was actually taken last Mar in Fayetteville while **Steve** was taking a break from his orthopedic residency in Syracuse. In news of other classmates in the area, Bob reports that **Tom Wood** left Bragg in Jun after completing the FAO course and is now in Monterey along with **Tim, Tina,** Sally, Michael, and Matthew **Thomas.** All are keeping warm in that beautiful southern CA sunshine and both Tom and Tim are studying Russian on the side. Also at Bragg are **Redding & Martha Hobby.** Red's working in his sec MOS in DISCOM, 82nd Abn. Having been there I know exactly how much fun he's having! **George Rollins** was in the area for summer camp and linked up with the Jarrells too. He's an ROTC instructor at Boston U. (Mercy sakes . . . another classmate in the area! More details about neighbors in the next issue.) *On a recent trip to Leavenworth,* Bob ran into **Dallas Britton, Rich Babbitt,** and **Chuck Franklin** who are permanent party there—and **Mark Hanna** and **Danny Maguire** in C&GSC.

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BEAT NAVY

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Just before leaving McLean on 7 Sep to "report in" to school, I had dinner with **Tom Mays** and **Jerry Miller.** My folks prepared a veritable feast and over some fabulous wine Jerry brought we talked about all the tremendous changes in our lives. Jerry has joined forces with **Joe Tallman** and has opened the Washington office for Consumer Health Services. It sounds like a tremendous success already. And **Clare** is keeping active too with the marketing of her latest book. Tom is doing very well in MCI and **Elizabeth** is expecting baby #2. Never a dull moment!

Closing out this installment is a letter from **Jack Whalen** who's now in Bogota, Columbia attending the Colombian Army's C&GSC. He admits that it's unique to be the only foreigner but it has been a great experience. He's living in the same building as the Sec of Def, and the Pres lives a block away. Not too shabby. He also let me in on a recent discovery too . . . the long-lost **Juan Verhelst** has been found! No, he is not the CofS of the Honduran Army yet . . . but he's living in Apartado 851, San Pedro Sula, Honduras, Central America. Thanks much Jack for the news.

1973: Bogosians and Jarrells, Fayetteville, NC, Apr 84

Best wishes for a great holiday season to all. Please keep in touch and don't hesitate to call or write. Hope to hear from you soon. Happy New Year ! ! !

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'74

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Greetings and a hearty congrats are in order for those on the major's list. The actual "pin-on" time depends on DA; the optimists are predicting by Jun, but it could be longer. Seven yrs is still too long to be a CPT—some folks' kids grow up and think daddy is always a CPT. Might note that our old cadet GOM continues to haunt as '73 made 0-4 on different months—depending on GOM!

Our Homecoming will be history by this printing, and the response from folks at this writing and numbers attending are encouraging. Special note on the folks who ordered Yearbooks: if you did not attend the Reunion and pick one up, you can get yours by remitting the balance due—the book cost $20 and most folks paid $10 up front upon ordering. Make sure we get a return mailing address and make checks to "1974 Treasury Fund." Remit to CPT(P) **Rudy Veit,** 553-B Connor Road, WP, NY 10996 and pls reply ASAP.

The latest to rock current Army configuration has been the intro of the Light Inf Div. Rah! Ord, Hawaii and great places like Ft Drum, NY and Alaska will gain such units. Some classmates at Ord are already caught up in the bruhaha—**Bill Johnsen** left the History Dept at WP bound for there. **Jim Kelly** and **John Otte** are aviators there; John is the Avn Off in C/7 CAB, and Jim the adjutant of 2/10 Air Cav.

We're also beginning to see more assgmts in the DC area. **Tom & Holly Daula** live in Alexandria, Tom is a staff economist for the Prog and Anal Office of DCSPER, the Pentagon. **Dean Russell** is at MILPERCEN in Alexandria; he and **Candy** came up for the Duke game. Rumor also has it that **Jim Hogan** is working at Inf Branch—Jim, some of us need good Inf jobs.

Eric Vonderscheer writes from Monterey; he's into his last yr of grad sch at NPGS and just started on his thesis by learning to spell the word. He and **Tom Turner** are running the San Fran Marathon. Others there are **John Mainwaring** and **Chris Sargent. Tom Gandy** finished last sum and is on to Huachuca. **George & Vicky Fenton** with 4 youngun's' just arrived; even the Marines go to NPGS. **Tom McGinnis** is still on the staff at the DLI.

Jim & Julie Grunseth have been out of the svc awhile; Jim was initially with Proctor and Gamble and then committed his life and work to Christ with the Family Ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ. They live in Little Rock, AR and recently added Brittney on 9 Aug, joining Sara, Danny and Anne. Good Luck, Jim.

Notes from all over. **Cliff Clausen** was going for his PhD in CA someplace; his wife is in Navy Finance (Squid Pay). **Al Landry** had a break in svc but now cmds an ADA Btry at Ft Bliss. **Tom Downar** finished his PhD at MIT and is now an Asst Prof at Purdue. **Joe & Karen Frankie** are with the Razorback ROTC at U of AR. **Dan Mahoney** came to the Duke game and tailgate; he's a civ working near Williamstown, MA; his twin **Dennis** is also a civ in TX. **Chris Kaila** is continuing in the real estate business in Fredericksburg, VA.

Vayl Oxford is a Prof at USAFA, teaching Aero Eng; he's a Zoomie anyway. **Larry Milam** works for USPA out of Clarksville, TN. **Jim Soncrant** sells real estate in Houston—what a booming area. **Fred Stellar** is a test pilot at Patuxent Riv, MD. **Glenn Wilkinson** was on PCS from Lee to Bragg.

Dave Powell works for Gen Elec R & D in Schenectady, NY as a scientific programmer; he, wife and son live in Glenville. **Scott Myers** last heard working on the energy systems at Ft Stewart, GA; he lives in Birmingham. **Bill & Linda Mather** are doing well in Dallas; Bill was recently promoted in TX Instruments and now honcho's TI's radar products. **Linda** teaches and choir directs and chases after David and Charles. **Keith Holmes** is a real estate agent for Pacesetters Realty in Gallup, NM; Keith enjoys the work and having a good time as a bachelor.

1974: The Grunseths

Couple of ex-74'ers doing well: **Jeff Schaefer** is a USAF Major (Dentist) and stationed at Plattsburg AFB, NY. Also **John Carter** is a physician asst in High Point, NC.

Babies of the quarter: to **George & Lori Runkle** in Enid, OK in Aug, a girl: Kira Leigh. To **John & Debbie Troxell** at WP on 28 Sep, a boy; John's in the Soc Dept. To **Joe & Maureen LeBoeuf** in Atlanta on 7 Jul, a boy: Joseph N. G., III; Joe is on his 2nd yr of Engr Psych and will join BS&L at WP next sum. To **Dale & Sue Blinton** in Houston on 27 May, a boy: Timothy Scott, who joined big brother Craig (4); Dale is a financial planner for TX Instruments while Sue stays busy teaching kindergarten and 1st grade.

Weddings. Our Class bachelor supply continues to shrink. Last spring a G-4 Tanker, **Mike Gelhausen,** married **Grace Ann** Selee in San Antonio on 14 Apr. She's an Army dietician enroute to Walter Reed; Mike is still in Ger where he just finished 42 months of cmd, Sep 80 to Mar 84; some kind of record or cruel and unusual punishment, but the reason was sound—he had the first Army COHORT Co. Mike is now the Bn Mtr Off.

Tom Schmidt also was hitched with **Kathleen** Carroll here at WP on 23 Jun. Tom is a German instructor while Kathleen works for the AG.

Proud to announce that **Ralph Graves** was married 25 Aug to **Carolyn** Smith in Baltimore. **John Mainwaring** made the trip from Monterey to witness. Carolyn is an Army CPT whose father just happens to be the Dean at WP. Ralph is still at Belvoir.

Now for some "Corps Has" wolf-wolf. For starters: McDonalds Restaurant (the nation wide kind) has come to WP (or really to Highland Falls). Cadets can go there while on wknd or Sat afternoons, when they have walking privileges to H. Falls. Ladycliff (New South Post) officially belongs to the Army now; the admin offices, museum, etc will all be there in the future. It's still amazing to see Firsties whipping around in their cars all yr long. However, long wknds for all cadets are few and far between now. That's OK by the Plebes who have 2 wknds a semester! Quote of the Quarter, "That's not even long enough to get hungry" by **Jim Grunseth** when told that Plebes only spend 6 wks in Beast.

A throwback to the old Corps finds the cadets traveling to Philly for the Army-Navy Game via train—from the train station. Let's beat Navy—our wishbone works and it still has the Rabble undefeated after 3 games.

Lastly, **G W Roberts** is not the only one with a "cadet car;" lots of others, to include **Bob Bassler** driving his TR6 and **Guy Bourn** his original, have the old cars. Family pictures would be great—let's send some, but AOG wants mom and/or dad in them also. Have a Merry Christmas and send me a card.

To close on a rather sad note, George Perkins '73 died at WP in Aug while participating in athletics. Many of our Class knew him thru the years, and he was also highly regarded by the Corps, fellow officers and anyone fortunate enough to know him. He will be missed.

'75

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Greetings and Happy Holidays! Heard from a few of you and saw a few more so there will be some news this quarter. First, congrats to those picked up for MAJ in the secondary zone—**Fred Abt, Dorian Anderson, Jack Cage, Randy Castro, John Cimral, Mike Heredia, Don Ramsey, Gordy Toney, Mike Vane,** and **Sid Vogel.**

Carol Woodbery wrote to describe **Ted's** demise as a bachelor back in Jun. **Steve Ward, Chuck Hamil** and **Gerry Kelley** were on hand to wave goodbye. Gerry even tried to ship Ted overseas the night before. If anyone knows someone married to an Australian girl who has moved to Australia—(E-3 is a due) please contact Carol Woodbery—PO Box 7633-A, Orlando, FL 32854. She's an Australian also and wants to locate them.

1975: At Ted Woodbery's wedding, Jun 84: Ward, Hamil, the groom, Kelley

Frank O'Nell wrote for his 1st update just prior to leaving FRG after 5½ years. He was in 2/20 FA in 4th/4ID which deactivated in Jun 84. He & **Claudia** have two lovely daughters, Kristen and Meagan. They'll be living in NYC area while Frank attends NYU for his MBA this fall. He'll be keeping up with FA matters doing duty with 2/104 FA NYARNG.

George Cherolis wrote for another 1st. He stumbled out of Giessen dazed from a cmd and into ORSA school at Ft. Lee. While enjoying the change in pace, he discovered **Forrest Crain** and **Tom Berens** were there. Forey was headed for Benning as a tactics

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instructor (why 49 enroute), and Tom headed for Sill at the Arty Board to work on the RPV. Sounds like a good project for Tom. George headed off to Albuquerque with the Army/AF Joint test on Friend or Foe ID for ADA in Europe. As a sideline he's working on the modeling requirements for the F-15. George is FA for those who are confused; now you know why contracts work so well. Specialties have no relationship to mission. Still single, he's buying condos and enjoying life. Any H-1 Howgs passing through—stop for a break at 8333 Comanche NE 14A, Albuquerque, NM 87117.

1975: The O'Nells

Mark Sweberg is MI at Huachuca with the Concept and Studies Div of CD. He & **Cheryl** are enjoying Alexandria, born in Feb 82. Cheryl also works as a real estate agent in Sierra Vista. Sunshine 300+ days a year and **Keith Huber** as a neighbor—what more could one ask for? Keith & **Jo** are raising their 2 yr old ball of energy, Jason in Keith's image and likeness. He'll be a handful by 5 and will bring his kindergarten teacher home for lunch.

Wandering through Heidelberg to see the castle illumination, I was surprised to hear—"Pete you haven't changed a bit." In my confusion, I noticed a full beard, a smiling face, a blonde companion and thought—who's this? A closer look revealed the outline of **Jack Wooley.** He was enjoying Heidelberg Hauptstrasse and is now living in Worms. Out of contact with the Army—Jake revealed that still in AF blue was **Bill Baldwin** at Ramstein.

1975: The Swebergs

Stan Dickerson, John Chappell and I enjoyed PhII of CGSC in Munich this summer. John and I brought the families to enjoy the sights while we studied diligently every night. John's little girl Courtney keeps him on the run with **Pam** watching over both of them. He spends most of his time TDY from the AFCENT Reserve Corps FWD in Mastricht. Really appreciated John driving across Munich every morning to McGraw Kaserne; the subway with Class A's and a briefcase doesn't mix well. If you're up by AFCENT look them up, or if you're down by Stuttgart look Sue & me up. Stan is another matter; he's got the PII sickness, so no one can ever pinpoint where he's at.

Haven't heard anything about reunion prep since **Wes Hayes** tried to placate me a couple of months back. What's going on back there? With the gaggle of folks at WP it's understandable that organization and coordination is limited, but silence shouldn't be a part of it.

On a sad note, **Jim Yocum** passed away on 18 Jan 84 in Manhattan, NY. Please pray for Jim and his family. If anyone has knowledge of the circumstances surrounding Jim's passing, I'd appreciate a note.

The ten-year mark is fast approaching. I'd like to compile a solid update for the Jun issue, so if you all wouldn't mind—send a little note on where you are and what devious things you are into for 1985. Sue will type this if I stop now, so there's not much choice.

'76

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Hello again and greetings for the holiday season; hope all are well and happy. This column is characteristically slim but bear with me. It's my first attempt at computerizing the notes—the results should be interesting.

I would like to start off by suggesting a Class activity for the next few months. Just today, received the WP Fund letter and was reminded of the results of the last WP drive. Our Class participation, although adequate, was not sterling. I would like to make a suggestion. Let's use our Class as an example of fund participation. Let's try to all donate something to the fund. It doesn't have to be too much—the act of giving is perhaps more important than the amount. I'd like to see our Class among the top 10 in total participation this year. (This is an unsolicited comment.)

Now, on to the news. **Jake & Linda Jacobs'** note just came in under the wire. The whole Jacobs family has relocated to middle TN with Teledyne. Jake's still a quality manager and about 2/3 through his grad studies in BA. Linda and the kids love the area and Jake's a little closer to home in AL. Sons Chris and Jake went to the TN-Army game in mid-Sept. Twas a blast! Some 800 alumni and cadets cheered as Army firmly showed TN that they had come down to play football. Before the game, TN was favored by 2 or 3 touchdowns. After a 24-24 tie, which TN barely earned, the fans were saying "West Point was a slight favorite—TN fought a good battle." The TN coach said, "I'm glad those guys are on our side" and "the nation can rest secure with Army at the defense." Sounds like a great weekend!

Next note's from **Alex Pruitt** who arrived at Ft Bragg as the 2nd Bde Surgeon for the 82nd Abn Div in July. Since then, he's seen several classmates and brings us up-to-date. **Jack Dearing** is in an R&D job with Special Opns Cmd. **Frank Helmick** is AdC to GEN Ferris, Dpty XVIII Corps Cmdr. **Ray ODierno** was leaving as Alex arrived to go to grad school in nukes—Duke, we think. **Mike Kazmierski** is a local co cmdr; **Jim Covert** is with ROTC in PA; **Rich Downie** is a FAO for Colombia and left recently for Bogota; **Rich Harrington** is in DivArty; **Dave Hayden** just passed his bar exam and will be on SJA staff for division. **Darryl Crawford** just arrived and will be in the combat Avn bn—he's an aviator. Alex also heard from **Steve Vernon** who's out of the service and has opened up his own business. Alex's plans include work there till Jul 85 when an orthopedics residency beckons.

Upon reading the Supe's letter in the last ASSEMBLY about Mrs. Brown's retirement from the hostess office, I wrote to say hi. She wrote back that there are obviously a lot of folks at USMA from our Class. She's seen **Chris Grates** and **Keith Walker.** I think she said that **Greg Dyson** will be a tac and that **Jimmy Donivan** will be in OPE. Of course, daughter Barbara is married to **Mike Snipes** who just finished a law degree at UTX.

Burt Logan sent a great note from PA—to be precise, Wyoming, PA. Burt spent most of his Army time at Ft Riley but in June 81 departed and lived in Cooperstown, NY for 18 mos for an MA in history museum studies. (Sez that Cooperstown is a great place to live.) Currently, Burt is executive director of the Wyoming Historical & Geological Society in Wilkes-Barre, PA of which Wyoming is a suburb. The Society is 126 yrs old and consists of a research library, a museum, and a historic home. Burt says that his job is terrific. **Bonnie** & Burt's 2 children, Mark (4) and Garrett (1) are both doing well. (By the way, Burt sent a contribution to the Class administrative fund—great example!)

1976: Kelley and Rogers each with 2 sons.

Laura & Floyd Bowles sent a note from the Purdue area where Floyd is studying mechanical engineering in preparation for a teaching assignment with the Engr Dept at USMA. Floyd left his last "real" unit in July 83 (**Jim Warner** was in the same bn then) and, believe it or not, they kind of miss the Army. Floyd sent me their address and anybody who needs it, please write.

Chuck Kilgore rallied to my last appeal for notes. **Kristyne** & Chuck are both doing well. Chuck is an electrical engineer specializing in EMI (Electromagnetic Interference) and TEMPEST (whatever that is) and works at RCA in Camden, NJ. Kristyne just finished her 1st yr teaching in HS and is looking forward to another year. She is certified as an elementary school teacher, so it was quite a change for her. Chuck purloined some C-1 news from **Jim Bob Rollins** including the following: **Bruce Hoover** is still in the SF at Ft Devens. **Louis Held** is out and living in NC and will be getting married. **Bob McClure** is in Mainz, FRG going to grad school (I mentioned that last article). **Glen Krc** is in Kaiserslautern as an HHC cdr. **Dale Snyder** is back at Penn State also working on his master's. **Rick Bunch,** an ex-cadet is on the faculty at LSU Medical Center—he has

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a Ph.D. in neuroanatomy. As for Jim Bob, he's looking for a tank cmd by Nov or Dec in Erlangen.

Rich Rogers sent a note in July from a German address (Grafenwoehr?). Rich is on some sort of 7 month construction project. Chris (6) and Tom (4) are healthy and **Ann** should be Jazzercise qualified by now. **John Reidt** (Freakshow!) is somewhere nearby and commanding another sig co. **Eric Brewner** is near Wurzburg (MD); **Hank Kiersey** recently returned from 8th ID to grad school. **Chet Taylor** (my roomie in Beast) is with the G-3 ofc with 3ID.

Rich & Sue Oelslager are in upstate NY—civilian life; **Bill & Patti Monk** are in NJ with Bendix. **John & Joanie MacLeod** are with the District Engineers at Ft Richardson (daughter Peggy and son Bill are doing well); **Jack & Cathy Sterling** are with the District Engineers in Mechanicsburg, PA. The last time Rich saw **Jim Coffey** was at Walter Reed 2 yrs ago. (All right you Walter Reed guys, how about a letter?)

The next note comes from **Larry & Jill Shattuck.** Larry spent 3 years in Germany and they're now at Rensselaer Polytech in Troy, NY. Larry is getting a Master's Degree in Engineering Psychology (also known as Ergonomics). They'll finish up in May 85 and then will be off to the BS&L Dept at USMA. They've kept in touch with some folks to include **Mark Hedman & Ginny** and sons Daniel and Lucas—they're enjoying farming in WA State. Mark is the mayor of the town of Mattawa (pop approx 350). **Sue & Ben Overbey** and son Tommy are at UNC at Chapel Hill (beautiful place!). Ben's getting his degree in philosophy and then will be headed back to the English Dept at USMA in June 85. While Larry and Jill were in Germany, they managed to visit the **Breges** (**Jim, Sherry** and Jason) often). Jim is now getting his master's degree in CE at UIL at Champaign-Urbana. He's scheduled to graduate in Dec. Larry's last line is a request for **Don Booth** to write. I've got Larry's address, so Don, write!

Harold & Linda Leeman sent news from Ft Campbell where Harold was the bn S3. They should be at Stanford by now where Harold will be going to get an engineering degree and then off to USMA for a teaching assignment with the Engr Dept. Linda had to sell her very successful small business in dog grooming when they moved to CA but hopes to set up another when they get there. Harold says that anyone in the San Francisco area should come by to say hello.

News from the San Antonio area. **Kevin Christensen** is breaking bones on the orthopedic service here at Brooke. Also ran into **Rob Mazzoli** a couple of weeks ago who is now doing an ophthalmology residency here. **Ed Colchado** called a few weeks ago from NY where he's still with the phone co—sounds like the job's going really well.

Well, that's it for now. Two requests. One: Send a check to the West Point Fund—address: AOG, WP, NY 10996. Second: add your scribe's name to your Christmas card list—it's a relatively painless way for me to get great family pictures and some good gossip. Best to all.—Ian.

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I hope you are all having a great holiday season. It is a little strange thinking about Christmas in Sep but that is when this article is being written. My special thanks to **Tom Dougall** for the super job he did writing the Class notes the past few yrs. **Wendy** and Tom have settled into qtrs at Ft Belvoir; he will have recently completed the JAGOBC at Charlottesville. **Kenny Miller** and **Kurt Meckstroth** will be joining Tom at OBC and he promises to let us know the details.

Dave Chadwick gave me a call and provided the F-2 ZOO update requested by **Dennis Zambetti** in the last Class notes. Dave had been hiding out with IBM in Poughkeepsie as a quality engr for 2 yrs but moved in July to Austin, TX, where he is a systems engr for Tracor Aerospace. **Jerry McCone** also works for Tracor as a test engr and is pursuing his MBA at St Edwards Univ. **Randy Hall** is also in the Austin area attending his 2d yr of law school at the UTX and is reported to be a "most eligible bachelor," thanks to a little weight lifting among other things. . . . send pictures. **Al Andon** is a lubrication engr for Mobil located in the Quadcities, IL. **John Pruett** is in HI as a Bn S-3 in the 25th ID; his unit just returned from an operation in Thailand for which he was responsible. **Dan Alberico** is a co cdr at Ft Hood . . . and so goes the ZOO.

1977: The Pilgrim family.

After a period of hibernation, **Kevin Pilgrim,** his wife **Dorothy** and their 14-month-old daughter Abigail have resurfaced in Fairborn, OH. Kevin is attending the AFIT and will graduate next Mar with a Master's in Operational Research. With a little luck the Pilgrims would like to be assigned to Ft Knox in a 49 slot. **Dave Bolte** is also at the AFIT joining in the "nightmare." Apparently the life of a graduate student is "no fun," but the exposure to other service members has been an interesting experience. Kevin speaks fondly of his previous assignment at the EOAC as the "token" Armor officer. He especially enjoyed the wedding of **Geof & Gentine Clark** at the rose garden in Arlington Cemetery. Geoff was cmding a co in the Old Guard. Kevin's "Beast" roommates **Mike Nicholas** and **Steve Pierce** have also chosen 49 as their secondary (a one in million chance). Mike is at Ft. Polk in the Cav Sqd finishing up command (B/4/12 Cav), and Steve is in Germany cmding his 2d btry. As he signed off Kevin said he would like to hear from **Jamie Renfrow, Greg Harding** and **Tom Strehle.** If anyone knows their whereabouts please let me know.

1977: Mike Nicholas and sons Michael and Matthew.

Pete Selleck and **Steve Hunt** both wrote and provided updates from "the piedmont of SC." They are both industrial engrs for the Michelin Tire Co in Greenville, SC. Pete is starting his 3d yr at MTC while Steve started in Apr. They are joined by **Steve Lefemine.** Steve tells me MTC is a mecca for grads, numbering 10 in nearby plants. Pete has been keeping busy pursuing his MBA from Clemson and is active in the Reserves. Most recently he relinquished cmd of "what has to be one of the smallest USAR units," the 447th Chem Det (4 man recon team) and now he is assigned as a liason officer for USMA/ROTC. The **Sellecks** (**Pete, Nancy,** & Lindsey—1½) spent a week with the **Ivys** (**Mike, Alice,** Mary Rowe—3 and Robert—4 mo.) on Pawley's Island, SC. Mike is 2 qtrs away from completing his MS in Management at GA Tech and expects to be sent into a project management assignment this spring. The **Hunts** (**Steve, Elizabeth,** Jeremy—5 and Martha—3) are making the adjustment to a slower more laid-back southern pace and are excited about the prospect for a good future in the civilian sector. By the way, Steve would like to hear from some of the original E-2 DOGS: **Carl Sanders, Harry Scott, Steve McManus, Mike Malooley, Lon Kretzer,** and **Dennis O'Keefe.**

As for me, I would like to know where some of the original H-1 HAWGS are. I have only kept up with **Mike & Anna Donahue** who are now in the New Orleans area, as mentioned in the last Class notes. Mike was recently promoted to operations manager for the Industrial Branch of Consolidated Co. **Doug & Barbara Biggerstaff** visited Mike & Anna when they picked up their car en route from Germany to San Antonio. Doug is now the cdr and an instructor of a specialized unit that provides combat training to military doctors of all services. Barbara is in the MSCAC at Ft Sam. **Fred Mills** where are you? Do you need money for a refresher correspondence course?

A follow-up note from **Michael Turner** informs us that **Mike & Elaine Harwood** are expecting their 2nd child in late Jan. She also provided us with the picture of **Del** and son Frank Delaplaine Turner IV.

I spoke to **Andy Chmar** and **Gail Watkins** today; they are starting their 2d yr at Harvard Business School and doing very well. The rigors of their 1st yr are gone, and they should be able to enjoy this year a great deal more. **John Shephard** is at MIT completing

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his Master's in Arms Control and best of all he is engaged to be married next Memorial Day to Jill Lieberman in NYC. John ran into **Carl & Ann Swanson** who are both attending Columbia, living in Ft Hamilton and recently had their 2d girl. Andy saw **Jack Keaton** at Harvard. Jack is out of the Army and is starting his 1st yr at Harvard. **Bill Watkins** (Gail's brother) will be out of the Army in Nov and is currently looking for a job. In preparation for their teaching assignment in BS&L Gail and Andy plan to visit **Dewey Blyth** and **Dave Brooks** who started to teach this year in the same dept.

1977: Del Turner and son Mark.

As you can see, there was not much news to report this time. Some of you have asked why there is such a delay in getting your news printed? Well, the fact of the matter is that when you receive the ASSEMBLY the deadline for the next issue is only a few weeks away. So as a rule of thumb send your letters/notes shortly after you get the ASSEMBLY for the news to be relatively current. I look forward to writing the Class notes again and hope to hear from you. Godspeed and Happy Holidays.—Keesy (yes, it is pronounced Casey).

'78

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I can't help but express my amazement writing an article in October and seeing the football team undefeated, 3-0-1. I remind everyone I see that the last winning season ARMY had was under the leadership of '78. It's a record we all would like to see broken!

Don't hesitate to call that toll free number. It's really helping me keep in touch with folks.

1978: The 3 Stooges: Larry, Mo, and Curly

Rich & Jennifer Van Orsdale are in transition as I'm writing. Rich was medically retired this fall, and I'm trying to give my old roomie some encouragement. There is no doubt that Orky's blood runs OD Green. Few people I know were as dedicated to the Army as Rich. He and Jennifer went to CA for some relaxation before deciding what to do next.

Brian Keenan called from Campbell. He's a trng off with the 160th Avn. Looks like Brian may transition soon. **Earl Kirland** left the 160th for Ft Rucker.

Mo & Berna Mothorpe have a new daughter, Elandra Page, born 25 July. Mo is reported to have cush job while others suffer the slings and arrows of the 4th Div at Carson. **Reese Delorey** left the Army to work with Ford Aero in CO Springs. **Jim "V. D." Veditz** has been made a permanent CO in 4th S&T. **Sal Carasco** is at Carson which is kinda far from Jump Country isn't it?

Linsely Harner wrote that Bill was headed for Air Assault, CAS³ and then on to Ft Ord. Haven't heard anything since but several folks reported seeing Billy at Campbell.

Tom Barton called from scenic Ft. McCoy, WI. Tom will be here on Thursday to do some interviewing in prep for civ life. Tom said that most of the old jumpers were still in abn country, **John Marshall, Paul "Sleepy" Malone, Al Aycock** and **Hank Fore, Marty Selleck** is getting his Master's in ME at RPI. **Tom Grant** is super spooking somewhere around DC; haven't seen him yet. **John Kerbs** is stationed at Bolling AFB, but we haven't been able to get together yet.

I ran into **Pete Tellman** who is getting out soon and **Ron Hall** who is stationed at Ft Eustis. Jim Hodge is commanding a Co there, the 100th Trans I think. Of 10 classmates who went through TOAC and stayed at Ft Eustis only **Mike Collins** remains in the Army. Hmmm. I have an idea about why that is; maybe Mike could shed some more lights on it though.

1978: Jerry and Ruth Ellen Butler, 16 June 84, Pembroke, KY

Ken Rackers called me from Campbell. He'd just returned from some road trip to the boonies. Racks took **Tony Smith's** old btry. Tony is working for BDM in Ft Lee, NJ in the C³I area. Racks confirmed that a previously received message was in fact true, that being the pending marriage of the one, the only, never to be duplicated once confirmed bachelor, **The Juggernaut**. From the depths of Dallas the wild man has struck, struck again. No details except that this princess hails from MI. **Jeff Myers** is doing ROTC duty somewhere in NY and **Sandy Sanders** is working with John Hancock in Boston.

Bob Lamb wrote from Columbia, SC. I think he's hiding down at Ft Jackson somewhere, but no details.

Speaking of crazy men, **John Armstrong** is now terrorizing the CA Coast, near San Francisco. **Pat McGaugh** called from Warrenton, MI where he is with TACOM. **John "Kid" Gallivan** is there too. **Len Palmer** has the 75th EOD up there somewhere. Pat had his second, a son, Frank Thomas, born 14 Aug.

1978: Simpkins and Kyle, Aug 84

Chris Maxfield is heading for a FAO assignment in Brazil. Max is married to a beauty, as expected, and has a little girl. **Bill Sumner** ran into Max in an airport out west. Bill is with MCI in Dallas, work phone 214-238-0500, ext 1210. **George Tronsrue** and **Leo Cyr** are with Western Union near NYC and both doing very well.

Dan Ludwig, Dan Ford and **Grant Trobaugh** are leaving Benning soon for bigger and better things. **Dan Ludwig** is heading to VMI for ROTC, **Dan Ford** is AdC at Benning while **G.T.** is trading in his green suit for a three-piece suit. He & Eileen are hoping to stay down South somewhere.

Keith Hoffmann called from Knox where he is commanding an Armor Co. **Gary Moody** has an OSUT, at Knox I think, and a new baby girl.

Dave Jellison called from Dallas. He is with TL Equip, 214-952-2303 is the phone no. **Rick Rhinehart** and **Dave Wiener** are down in Dallas, but **Mark Johnson** left for Berkeley.

Abbitt Koehler and **Don Lewis** work at the Rgr Sch while **Joe Augustine** is CO for the FL camp.

Freddie & Debbie Koval are back up at Woops where Freddie is teaching MS101 and MS102. Deb is working at CPO while they live at Stewart Annex.

Bill Griffith former B-1 wrote from CA. He's got an Econ degree and is working for MERCK, home phone 714-898-6486.

Fred Orr is working for USPA—IRA, I'm told, in Indianapolis. **Slash** is a jumping fool in Dallas. Slash is still a party animal, falling from the TX skies whenever possible and pounding that Lone Star always! **Darcy Anderson** works as a recruiter for EDS in Dallas. **Danny O'Dell** is still crazy after all these years floating in Dallas too. **Mike Schaefer** is working with TI; who isn't in Dallas?

D. C. Adams is flying the friendly skies of Ft Ord. He reports **Carl Owens** at Ft Jackson and **T. C. Collins** in Los Angeles as an advisor to the NG. **Ace Wilhelm** is an avn maint pilot at Ord, heading to Eustis for TOAC around 1 Jan.

Harry & Elaine Rising have a little girl Eleanor Antoinette, born 16 May at Bragg. Harry is a Det Cdr in 7th SFG.

Jerry & Ruth Ellen Butler were married 16 June in Pembroke, KY. Jerry has finally left Campbell after 6 yrs. **Dave Jennings, Steven Childers** and **Bill Forrester** were all in the wedding. After FAOAC it's on to Ft Hood for another Avn assignment for Jerry.

Frank & Mary Simpkins have settled in the great Northwest, Tacoma to be exact. Frank is a Senior Research Sp in Test &

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Eval. Sounds impressive. Frank said **Mick, Donna** and Amy **Regan** are doing well up in NY. Mick is with NYNEX and Donna is going to start teaching soon. **Glenn Fisher** is up in AK and looking to get out sometime soon. Frank would like **Mark Eidem** to call him at 206-581-1322.

1978: Rising with Eleanor

Andy Burke is working for Garrett Corp in Phoenix. He loves it out there and was married a little while ago. **Danny Hammond** is going back and forth to Korea from Ft Ord, and wife had a little one the day after he left.

My last letter came from the three Musketeers pictured. **Kaz, Sarge** and **Jack** are holding down Central FL. Kaz and Sarge are with Honeywell in Tampa. **Roger Brown** is in Clearwater, but don't know what he's doing. As you can see by the picture, the boys are enjoying all the finer things FL offers—sunshine, golf, bones and Heine's!

Old Man is doing better after a bout with a nasty virus that left him flat. We're going to see **Ski** next week at Bragg. Ski is commanding a Rgr Co at Lewis for about another yr. **Pete Linskey** is working on guidance systems for Trident subs near Boston. **Kevin Wall, Al Estes, Tom Milo** and **Rich Cashman** are commanding Cos here at Belvoir. **Arny Ferrando** is getting out soon to work in a health business in Albany, GA. **Roland & Lynn Smith** are down at Stewart. Roland recovered from his war with the Walter Reed surgical staff. He is still trying for his OV-10 transition. **Vito Muscarella** is at EOAC and then off to grad sch. **Bill Gemma** is working with NALCO on Long Island. **Jim Keating** is with Control Data in Jersey and **Jack Paul** is with NYTel.

So if this seems a little disjointed, most of it was spit out from memory. Keep those cards, letters and phone calls coming. Most important, have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

'79

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Greetings from NY State,

In the last issue of the ASSEMBLY I said that my address should not be changing for several years, but I was wrong. The change in the city is not because I have moved, but because the city has been rezoned and the house is now in Latham. On with the news!

From Hawaii and Schofield Barracks the picture from Founder's Day has arrived. Included in this picture are **Tony Gasbarre,** the **Chaples,** the **Hoppers,** the **Lewises,** the **Routiers,** and the **Duffys.**

The first-time writers for this issue include **Shep Sawyer.** Shep is presently at Ft Devens, MA where he is assigned with the 10th SF Gp (Abn). There Shep has been a Det XO and Cmdr and is presently the XO of a service Co. The near future holds the IOAC for Shep, for he will start school on 20 Jan. **Al Cate** was at Devens but recently departed for the IOAC. The only other person that Shep mentioned was **Pat O'Brien** who is also at Devens where he is in 2nd Bn. Shep did say that one of the highlights of his assignment is that he has earned his Master Parachutist Badge. Finally—**Tony Tabler,** Shep would like for you to drop him a line.

1979: Founders Day in Hawaii

The other first-time writer is **Jeff Lott** who has been stationed in Mannheim since the basic course. The reason that Jeff stayed put was that he extended 18 mo for the command of A/5/68 Armor. One thing that Jeff has enjoyed has been Germany. In fact he married a German girl, **Heide** Schofer from Obermumbach. Now the two of them have added a little one to the family, Jennifer Kirsten. The main change in the life for Jeff has been his decision to go civilian. His ETS is 31 Oct 84 and he is looking forward to a career in either sales, marketing, or production engineering. But of course a trip home to Orlando, FL is planned before he seeks employment in Austin, TX. Jeff has been trying to contact **Ralph Flannery** because he has not heard anything since back in 1980. The other person that he has tried to contact has been **John Spiller.** At a recent training exercise in Graf, Jeff saw **Lloyd Darlington** and **Dave Halverson.** Stationed next door to Jeff is **Bill Lough** who is commanding a Co in 5/77 Armor.

I received a very informative letter from, "The Boys in Germany." The picture includes; **Gary Klaben, Pete Caine, John Nicholson** and **Ed Dowling.** Gary is with the 82nd Abn as the asst G1; Pete is running two liquor stores in Baltimore; John is a Plt Ldr in the 82nd Abn; and Ed is Co Cdr with 1/64 Armor.

1979: The boys in Germany

The guys recently heard from **Drew Early** who is working on his third command. This time he has an ammunition Co in Bremerhaven. **Tom Allmon** and **Kevin Butler** are in Kitzingen with the 3/63 Armor. Tom has just arrived and is the BMO. Kevin is currently the S-4. In the same kasserne both **Ed Dowling, Jules Petit** and **Essex Fowlks** are stationed. Ed is the CO of B/1/64 Armor and Jules is the S-1. Jules is looking forward to freeing himself from the paperwork as he expects to take command this Dec. Essex is the CO for a service support Co with 2/39 FA. **Davis Welch** is stationed in Schweinfurt where he is the BMO of 3/64 Armor; he too is anticipating an upcoming command. **Tom Quinn** is currently with the 8th ID as the Force Modernization Officer. I would like to say "Thanks" to the boys in Germany for their informative letter—Welch, Butler and Dowling.

Dave & Deirdre Blakemore are about to move again. With the AOC behind them they will be headed for Ft Hood. Recently they made a trip to TX to purchase a home. But, all the excitement of the trip and the new house was too much for Deirdre and it upset her pregnancy. Once things settled down some, they were no longer just a married couple but were a family of three. On 2 Jul Brendan Patrick was born via a c-sect and several weeks early. Though he weighed only 5 lbs 9 oz, he is healthy and thriving. When Dave goes to Rucker, Dierdre and Brandon will visit relatives in NY. Around Ft Eustis, Dave and Deirdre have seen **Arlen Chapman, George Fedun** and **Joey McKeon.**

We were recently visited by **Paul & Sherry Roege.** Paul is doing well as he finishes up his time with MIT and the Nuc Eng Dept. Sherry is working with inmates at a local jail. Paul is trying to get stationed at Ft Devens so they can stay put in their new home.

1979: Davis and Linda Welch

I am personally looking forward to Homecoming and watching the Army Team take to the field. Thanks to all for their individual inputs to try to keep the Class informed of their events. Please have a safe and joyous holiday season and best of luck for the New Year **TOP OF THE LINE 1979.**

'80

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Season's greetings! I'll begin by saying that I witnessed a beautiful wedding at WP last summer. **Pat & Joni St Pierre** were married at the Catholic Chapel on 8 Jul. Also in attendance were **Mike Heacock, Jim Coe, Jay Macklin,** and **Frank Willingham.**

And now, the mail: **Keith Emberton** wrote from Benning just prior to his completion of IOAC last Jul. He was heading on to Korea with hopes for a btry cmd. Before leaving Ft Carson (his last assignment), Keith got

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together often with **Jim & Anna Lindenmayer, Mark & Ellen Porter,** and **Mark & Nancy Yeshnik.**

Four years following our graduation, I finally received a letter from the man who maintains the Class's miniscule budget. **Bruce Schardt** is still at Ft Carson and is commanding a Co now. He is also a new father (Jaclyn Grace, born 28 Jun), and has a dog. As far as our account is concerned, we have just about $8200 (it fluctuates with the interest). Bruce wants to put the money into better interest-earning savings accounts and a one-year Certificate of Deposit, but needs to know if there are any upcoming expenditures. So, if anyone has any ideas, please write me, and I'll pass on the info to Bruce. Also, he needs to hear from **Bret Dalton** and **Mike Knapp** to change some signature cards. Bret, I need to hear from you also. The AOG sends me information which is addressed to the Class president.

1980: Joy Dallas talking with COL Ed Boyle '50, Philadelphia

I heard from IOBC buddy **Pete Ash** for the first time last summer. Pete is a "flyboy" in the FRG and has a lot of company in Hanau. **Scott McManus, Jeff Williams, Elliott Benson, Cole Milstead, Steve Dwyer,** and **Bob Hobbs,** are all in his bn, as well as **Frank Pauc,** who is flying Blackhawks. During a foray into the field as an ARTEP evaluator, Pete ran into **Vince Warrick, Scott Bauman,** and **Glenn Benecke.** Pete would like to know the fate of his pet boa, Bo, if anyone knows. **Gregg Schamburg** had him at his last recollection. Pete will attend either the av or inf AOC beginning in Nov. Let this serve as a warning to the Southern Belles!

1980: EOAC: 2-84

John Luce wrote from the desert sands of Saudi Arabia to bring us up to date on the '80 Saudi contingent. **Bill Weeks, Jeff Smith, Tim Cahill,** and John have been there since early 1983, and all should be returning to the States by publication of this, except Tim, who took his wife along for a 2-year accompanied tour. All of them are (were) working on major construction projects. I'm sure it's worthwhile practical experience for engineers.

I received a short note and a picture of **Joy Dallas** following a WP Soc dinner in Philadelphia during which she spoke about her experiences as a cadet and officer. I was told that her comments were very well received and most timely.

Jake Kovel wrote from Belvoir and included a photo of his EOAC classmates. Included in the picture are: **Mike Porch, Clare Jenkins, Howard Crofoot, Scott Maring, Bob Toguchi, Rick Jenkins, Sam Hutchins, Jeff Hills, Jake, Jim Liwski, Rich McMorris, John Moeller,** and **Mike Phelan.** During the course or shortly thereafter, John Moeller, Rich McMorris and Howard Crofoot were married. Unfortunately, none of the wives' names were included. Congratulations to all of you, anyway! Jake also ran into **Phil May, John Cheathem** (who is off to grad school), **Mark Work, Jim Arsenault, Bobbi Fiedler,** and **John Albright.** Jake also saw **Mike Ungar** at Belvoir and again in Germany (their new assignments).

The **DiDonatos** have a new addition to their family. Corinne was born last summer, and is keeping **Dave & Karen** busy. They both began FAOAC in Oct and expect to move to FRG sometime next year.

1980: Founders Day, Schofield Barracks: the Farnhams, Miles, Laney, and the Wolfs.

Steve Galing wrote during one of his FAOC classes (probably some "numbers" course, which he excelled in back at school). He and **Jean-Marie** are scheduled to arrive here at Ft Devens before Christmas. He will be handling my pay and allowances? He added some news about a few classmates at Ft Polk, but the only thing I haven't mentioned before is that **Mark Barowski** extended there to command a btry.

One last note—**Eddie Rivers** is also at Indianapolis attending FAOAC with Steve.

My last note came from **Russ & Susan Wange** who announce the birth of their second child, Laura, on 24 Aug. Russ is busy aide-de-camping and completing his MBA at Ft Sill. They plan to remain there for several more months.

Well, this quarter's notes are a bit thin. To be honest with you, I really didn't mind this time, because I've been very busy trying to do my job and get us settled down. **Noelle** and I spent a lovely honeymoon soaking up the sun on the Côte d'Azur, and I recommend to anyone visiting that area to plan to have dinner in the mountain-top medieval village of Eze. The panoramic view of the coast line while eating is just breathtaking. Have a safe and happy holiday season. . . .

'81

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Although it is now Christmas time my list of letters date primarily from the summer. Leading off is **Jon Dowling** who dropped a short note to say "Hi" from Giessen FRG. He is currently a plt ldr in an improved Hawk btry—A/2/2 ADA. Jon & **Peggy** were married 26 May in LA. **Bryan Dohrn** flew all the way from Bragg to be there.

Last Jul Class pres **Mark Hogan** sent out a Class newsletter. He is planning on sending out one annually which will address Class business and financial matters. Mark also requests that anyone who would like to assist in the planning and/or execution of the Class Reunion in 1986 to write him at his VA address: 5825 Cove Landing Rd, Apt 203, Burke, VA 22015.

Latin American rep **Paul Buechner** wrote from Panama. He has fulfilled a ten-year goal he set for himself by becoming a member of the "A" team. Currently Paul is an XO for one of the 3/7th SF ops dets. He & **Sheri** love Central America so much they are working on a year's extension. Paul has found it to be immensely rewarding working with the soldiers of Honduras and El Salvador. For recreation, the Buechners enjoy scuba diving, surfing and MAC flights up and down Central/South America. Also in Central America is **Randy Adams** who is the S2 for the 2/187 Inf Bn (formerly 3/5 Inf). Randy has been on jump status for some time, attached to a sep abn rifle Co deployed to Honduras. Recently headed back to "the world" and the IAOC is **Jim McNulty,** who spent two years with the 4/20 Inf serving as a plt ldr and Co XO. Two other infantrymen, **Kevin Clark** and **Joe Myers,** have been serving their overseas time in Panama with the 4/10 Inf (recently regimentalized to 1/187). **Steve Wilkins** was recently busy doing other than normal MP work. He spent several weeks last May working on his Portuguese while attending a Brazilian jungle operations school deep in Brazil's interior.

1981: Jon and Peggy Dowling

Two years past his automobile accident, **Neil Murray** is doing great. Many of you may recall the traumatic brain injury Neil sustained which left him temporarily ret from the Army. Neil still has difficulty writing and can't yet run, but he has made great improvement. Currently Neil swims laps daily and is nautilizing again. Last Sep Neil started law

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school and hopefully will graduate in three years.

Cavalryman **Mike Bacevich** wrote to describe his typical 2 ACR wedding. Stationed with F/2/2 ACR Mike left border patrol in Germany to fly to the States. After the wedding, he & **Mary Kay** left for Nassau for their honeymoon. Leaving the Bahamas after four days, Mike & Mary Kay flew back to Germany where Mike had to report for gunnery the next day. Attending the 31 Mar wedding were **Ron Porter,** who came from Lewis to be the best man; **Mark Ritter,** who drove up from Bragg; and **Kent Stiegler, Steve Russell,** and **Dan Zajac** who flew from Germany. Mark Ritter's wife, **Lou Anne** recently had a baby. Mike said that **Humbert & Irma Rodriquez** also had a baby boy, Joel, last 31 May. Any E-1 Eagle who has not received his cigar may write Humbert at Team D, 35th USAAD, APO NY 09069.

My old roommate, **Fred "Perv" Ondarza,** called me up to announce that he has found the ultimate desperate woman and has since married her. Fred met **Ellen** while waiting for a plane in Norfolk, VA and their chance encounter turned out so nice the couple was married only months thereafter. Now Fred works in an FA unit close to Stuttgart.

Bob & Carolyne DeLisle have recently had their 3d child, Robert Wm, born 3 May. Now twin sisters, Christina Marie and Catherine Elizabeth, born 25 Feb 82, have something to play with. Since Oct 81 the DeLisles have been stationed at Ft Polk. Bob has been a plt ldr, S-1, XO and is now CO for a combat heavy equip unit attached to the 588th Engr Bn. After his command is finished, Bob plans on returning to Belvoir for the EAOC. Sometime in the future Bob would also like to attend grad school through the Army. Carolyne says Bob received an award recently for upgrading 14 miles of tank trail ahead of schedule. The DeLisles added congratulations to three couples who have recently had children: **Ed & Elizabeth Healy, Kevin & Nancy Shuba** and **Jim & Penni Harrison.**

1981: Bob and Carolynne DeLisle with children

Just before printing time I received a letter from **Scott Wagner.** His note began with tragic news; again Rucker has claimed our classmates. **Lee Border** and **Billy Hubbard** have both been killed in helicopter flights. Lee was killed last May in a solo training flight. Apparently his TH-55 lost control and crashed. Billy died last Jul when his chopper went down for an unknown reason near Dahlonega, GA. Scott prays that all classmates, especially fly boys will be careful during duty hours. Since flight school, Scott has been reassigned to Rucker as permanent party. He now flies cobras and scouts in a detached attack helicopter Co from Campbell and loves being in a FORSCOM assignment on a TRADOC post. He & **Betsy** now have a 20 mo old baby boy named Matthew. Other permanent party personnel at Rucker are **Jim Ferrando, Phil Davison, Mark Pliakos, John Meehan, Steve Policano, Dick Klatt, Rick DiGiovanni, Tim Grant, Paul Zimmer, Tim Jensen, Sam Burkett** and **Mike Jackson.**

1981: Founders Day, Schofield Barracks

Ray Woolridge, assigned to the 1/4 Inf here in Aschaffenburg FRG with me, called in some news he picked up during REFORGER. Ray met two classmates, **Greg Muilenburg** and **Jim Meredith,** during exercise "Certain Fury." Both are assigned to Ft Polk and were visiting Germany only for the exercise. Greg is the XO of C/3/10 Inf and is scheduled to attend the Jan IAOC at Benning. Jim has recently completed 18 mo as an S1 of 1/40 Armor and should be headed for an AOC soon. Ray also heard that **Carl Reid** is working at the WP Admissions Office after a tour at Ft Hood. **Tim Robinson** at Bragg with wife, **Anne,** should be headed to IOAC in Jan also. As for Ray, he is the Spt plt ldr for 1/4 Inf. He has a Mar slot for the Benning AOC and is requesting Ft Hood thereafter.

This should be the last column that the majority of us are lieutenants. May God bless each of you with railroad tracks soon.

'82

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Happy Holiday season to the Select Few wherever you may be. And best wishes to the wives and kids. Speaking of which, there are more and more wives and kids to report.

Bryan & Theresa Eckstein had their second son, Christopher Michael, on 24 Aug. Proud brother Bryan Joseph was thrilled, says Theresa. They will be moving to Bragg as Bryan's first assignment upon completion of flight school.

Another '82 family is doing well at Ft Polk. **Paul & Margaret Abel** were married on 6 Aug 82 and son Garrett Thomas was born on 14 Jul 84. The past two years Paul has been through TC basic, JMOC, and finally wound up at Ft Polk in the 5 ID. He's held jobs as the Dvn movement officer, as a truck plt ldr, and since 8 Jun 84, the Co Cmdr of Hq Co 105 S & T Bn. Congrats, Paul.

The picture printed is of the **Cunningham** family, **Fred, Janette** and Beth. Beth was born on 2 Jul at Ft Hood. Can't tell from the photo whether she likes Hood or not. Fellow D-1 classmate, **Jerry Nowotny & Adrienne** are expecting a child in May. **Rhys Johnson** recently arrived at Hood with a new bride he met while at Rucker. **John Snyder** is S-1 of the 62 En Bn, which includes **Bill & Lisa Waugh, Randy Fofi,** Fred & Janette, and **Tim Gallagher,** who has been spending lots of time with Fred on the golf course in recent months.

Ellen Groschelle spiced up her dull night on weekend duty by writing a rundown on Ft Carson. **Frank Weston,** who recently earned his Rgr tab, is now S-1 of 4 En Bn. **Patti Bent** has a big job as the Dvn Main plt ldr. Ellen assures us that the SC people will understand what that is. (?) Ellen also received a call from **Lynn Fox Lodwick,** who often runs into **Laura Hummel. Kevin Merrigan** is really enthusiastic about his Rgr Bn job and has seen **Steve Eden** and **Mike Roemer. April Hughlett** visited Ellen and her husband Mark Porter '80, and they hoped to hit the ski slopes. And more kids on the way. **Fred & Janice Carr** are expecting, as are **Steve & Nancy Bigari. Chuck Noll** passed along that a new model **Abrams** is coming soon, too.

Meanwhile in the Orient, **Brian Malloy** took time out from fighting Korean flood problems to drop a note. He left Benning after IOBC, Rgr, and Abn and expected to spend his first tour at Lewis. Wrong. He was assigned to B/1/23 Inf, which is a Regt Cohort unit. And on 24 May of this year he was off to the Land of the Morning Calm, Korea. While at Lewis he saw many of the Select Few, including **Prescott Marshall,** a new XO; **Gene Catena,** who saw him off at the airport; and **Bo Ruck,** who was just coming in from Korea. Across the Pacific, Brian linked up with **Greg Holtkamp,** a TOW plt ldr who will be headed back stateside in early '85 to take a break in a Rgr Bn. Sure. Seems like Brian was all over the globe, as on leave he visited the Select Few boys in the Old Guard. **Tony Vertin, John Schoen** and **John Keely** are all at Ft Myer. John K is now in charge of the cannons for the Guard. And finally, Brian wanted to tell the Class about **Dale Hajost's** UH-60 flying skill. "Jost fit his bird into a little shoebox of a landing area surrounded by trees and power lines to pluck Brian and his plt out of a flooded PZ."

1982: Fred, Janette and Beth Cunningham

Another '82 aviator recently returned from Korea. **Sanjai Kumar** came home to a stack of ASSEMBLIES and gave a ring. (On his birthday, no less) Sanjai's tour began in "exciting" fashion, as on his first UH-1 checkout eval ride he had an engine failure, a fire, and lost his tailrotor effectiveness. I guess he earned his flight pay that day. While in Korea he saw **Pinky Vanderburgh,** who was escorting a rock group DOD show around the country, and **Bill Buda,** who was soon to receive a fixed wing aircraft transition. Sanjai also saw C-12 pilot **John Jarrell** receiving some type of flying award on TV. John was in **Linda Miller's** unit, the 55 Avn Co, a VIP unit. Linda has extended for a year, as did **Larry Harada,** a Cobra jock in

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1982: Founders Day, Schofield Barracks

1983: Timothy and Maria Britt.

Korea. Enroute to Ft Carson, Sanjai stopped by Lewis and saw fellow H-4 Hog, **Dave McBride,** currently a Rgr Bn plt ldr. Another Hog, **Dan Worth & Robin** are also at Lewis, as Dan is in the EN. **Walt Nelson** and UH-60 plt ldr **Bob McCaleb** were also spotted on the same post. The Kumar excursion ended at Ft Carson, where Sanjai is now assigned to 4 Avn Bn with **Lou & Gina Byars** nearby. Let's hope Sanjai's first flight at Carson was a little better than his first in Korea!

Kevin Keating dropped a postcard from Japan, where he's become a regular vacation hound. He loves the place and the little Japanese women.

Here at Campbell, **Scott Monroe** is a newlywed. He and Missy were married in IA in Sep. **Lonnie Imlay** attended. Scott, **Paul Scroggins** and I are in 101 Avn Bn and Lonnie is in 229 Attk Bn as a Cobra pilot. Persons sighted around here include **Mark Supko, Mike Smith,** and **Scott Francis,** who was seen a few times running the streets keeping his gymnast body in tiptop shape.

Hope you enjoyed this month's column. Soon we'll hear more reports of '82 Co Cmdrs, and I can't wait to print a photo of a friend's assumption of cmd ceremony. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

'83

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This is the last column I'll be writing from lower AL, as I finish flight school in Dec. However, please continue to send your letters to this address until I can get settled at Ft Hood, TX.

Larry Pruitt got to spend the 1st semester at school as an assistant football coach. When he finally got back to the real Army, he ran into **Mike White** whose ADA btry was supporting Larry's OBC.

Mark Entner, Gary McAndrews, and **Curt Burnette** are enjoying their down to earth tour of Aschaffenburg, Germany in their M1 platoons.

Andy Wertin sent the picture of the rangers and somehow **Rease Griffith** slipped out before the photo. 5-84 sends their thanks to **Dan Keefe** and his men "for their generous and impromptu support during our chance contact at a watering point in the deserts, AO Ft Bliss." 5-84's morale was boosted by **Brian Ferguson** and **Bill Bennett's** attempt for pogie (boodle) "regardless of how successful or unsuccessful their rendezvous attempts were."

1983: Jorns, Kapral, and Del Rosario at Woodruff's wedding.

We have some more newlyweds to congratulate. Last 15 Oct, **Debbie & Michael** "Woody" **Woodruff** were married at the Cadet Chapel. **Mark Wiltse, Byron Jorns, Greg Kapral,** and Mike **Del Rosario** were their saber bearers.

Allison & Bert Hensley were married in Charleston, SC on the 6th of Jan. **Al Ryon, Steve Soucek,** Karl **Schmidt,** and **Jimmy Greenwell** were their saber bearers.

Christine & Curt Burnette were married in her hometown, Plymouth, MI, 11 Feb. Chris Preston '84 was there to throw rice at them. **Laura Myers** was married to **Paul Warman,** a chemical officer, on 30 Jun in Inkster, MI. **Maria Corsini** was married to Timothy Britt,

1983: The Whites.

1983: Ranger Class 5-84.

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1983: Pruitt and White.

an MP officer, on 4 Aug in Maria's hometown of Gloversville, NY.

Laura & Stanley White had a baby girl, Olivia Rose, the 8th of Mar. **Laura & John Wright** had a baby boy, John, Jr. on the 12th of Sept. Also, **Grace & Jay Walsh** had a baby boy, Matthew James, the 13th of Aug.

1983: Curt and Christine Burnette.

I want to wish everyone a safe holiday season. I know you've heard it before, but buckle up and drive defensively. See you next time.

1983: Debbie and Woody Woodruff.

'84

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I write this column with great pleasure since I have quite a bit to report. Most news is from OBCs nationwide, but I did receive 1 letter from a rather unlikely place. You guessed it! Our dear old alma mater!

I have to begin by congratulating the person who wrote me from within the gray walls. **Amy McDonald** was married on 26 May to Dan Mulligan '82. **Harry Tunnell, George Peoples, B. J. Lee, Dave Nichting,** and **Bob Mahoney** were there to witness the event. With that crew, the reception resembled a rugby party!

Amy reports that about 20 of the Best of the Corps are still hibernating in the Hudson Valley. Among those she's seen are **Whitney Gibson, Doug Friedly, Doug Brimmer, Alma Cobb,** and **Brad Greene.** All are serving ODIA in some way, although Amy has been loaned to the Dean's office on occasion. I think it's a payback for some of her POINTER editorials! Just joking, Amy!

1984: Steve & Sue Franz with their ushers.

News from people away from West Point was relayed by Amy as well. Bob Mahoney claims that Armor OBC is more boring than "Leadersleep" classes, but he's enjoying the freedom of being an officer. **Dave Nichting** registered the same complaint about Sig OBC, but his boredom ends with the duty day. He's found more than enough young ladies to help him spend his off duty hours. **Sue Meckfessel** visited Rome, Germany, and Greece enroute to QMOBC. She also managed to attend the wedding of **Brian & Andrea (Allen) Baker** '83 and said it was lovely. Our congratulations to the Bakers as well as **Hal & Anycia (Abeyta) Prukop.** Anycia is attending QMOBC with Sue.

1984: Moe & Dianne Lescault.

Unfortunately, Amy had some bad news to send. MAJ George Perkins, who befriended many in '84 as a "P" in BS & L, died this summer. A midnight vigil showed the Corp's deep feeling for this man. I'm sure the entire Class joins me in sending our deepest regrets to his family.

Another Ex-Lady Knight dropped me a line from sunny Ft Huachuca, AZ. **Sue (Lenio) Sine** is enjoying MIOBC but finds the separation from her husband, **Eric** '83, difficult. She'll be joining him at Ft Ord after OBC. A number of other West Pointers are enjoying AZ including **Heather Quinnan, Carol Saunders, Andy Lawrisuck,** and **Jim Maynez.**

Tim Keppler sent news from Ft Bliss. He's there with his wife **Joanne** and our congratulations go out to them. Tim's enjoying ADA-OBC claiming the only difficulty is keeping cool in the TX heat. He also had an interesting story to tell about graduation. It seems that the youngster who caught Tim's cap gave it to the VP! Mr. Bush promptly wrote him a letter saying he was proud to have it. I suppose this could be an omen for the future!

1984: Roger & Nancy Lambert.

Some of the wives of '84 have written to me and are faithful correspondents. The 1st is **Roger Lambert's** wife **Nancy.** We congratulate them on their wedding and I thank Nancy for her letters. She has written a number of times with news from Ft Sill where Roger is attending FAOBC. He likes the school but is looking forward to his ultimate destination which is Hanau, FRG. Those who know the Lamberts might be surprised to hear that there is a new addition to the family! She's a black cocker spaniel named Lindsay. Nancy says that's the extent of the family for right now.

1984: Tim & Joanne Keppler.

We send our congrats to **Steve & Sue Franz.** Sue writes from Ft Benning where Steve is attending IOBC after being honor graduate of IMPC. He's enjoying the Infantryman's life except for the chiggers and the poison ivy. Sue says that the Infantrymen of '84 like to eat, and she and **Leon Moore's** wife, **Antoinette,** have fed just about all of them!

1984: Dave & Judy Lagasse.

I am currently attending EOBC at Ft Belvoir, VA. My wife, **Dianne,** and I are enjoying life near the nation's capital, but the cost of living is rather steep. We've run into

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a number of married folks here. Congratulations to **Dave & Judy Lagasse, Rich & Mary Kate Shea,** and **Karl & Pam Landsberg.**

Life at EOBC is pretty nice. All of the bachelors and bachelorettes are enjoying the fineries of Georgetown and Old Town Alexandria. Murphy's in Old Town is the place to be on Fri night. If you don't believe me, ask **Lance Lawson, Jay Johnson, Jim Mitroka, Brett Johnson, Scott Hamilton,** or **B. J. Lee,** all of whom attend religiously. They aren't the only West Pointers here. I've also seen **Bill Greehey, Bill Rapp, Ken Koebberling, Fred Meyer, Jon Christensen, Herb Fechter, Ron Aizer, Doug Bentley, Ricky Stephenson, Bob Morgan, Warren Miller, Dave Auman, Troy Arthuun, Chris Sultimeier, Paul Johnson, Kerry McNair, Tom Pesch, Jim Peterson, Junior Riviera,** and **Dan McKenrick.** They are all attending EBOC. **Ken Lindell** is also here and is tearing up the track. He has won 2 cases of beer so far by beating one of our trainers in 2 events. The first was a 10K that Kenny ran in 33 minutes, and the 2d was a 12-mile road march with ruck sacks and weapons that he ran in an incredible 1-hour and 45 minutes! He hopes that these efforts will carry him to Ranger school.

1984: J. Johnson, Lawson, and B. Johnson live it up at EOBC.

Well, that's all I've got. In closing, I'd like to thank all those who wrote and wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season!

Moral Philosophy

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budget deficits, and what it is prepared to do in Lebanon and El Salvador, in Geneva and at the United Nations. In Royce's view, the polarity between the personal and the social constitutes the substance of our lives. It is therefore fitting to give him the last word on our topic, a word which clearly reflects the Scriptural text with which this lecture started. In an address delivered just a few miles from here, at Vassar College in 1899, Royce said the following, "... in case you win effective control over your personal ideals and over your own process of giving them expression, you yourself as an individual will indeed accomplish but an infinitesimal portion of the nation's vast task. Yet still it will be the nation's task in which, in your measure, you will be engaged. For no man liveth unto himself. If you ... succeed in solving your personal problems, the good cause will win in public as in private. And what you need to find is some little task that you can effectually do. That task you need to perform."[8]

Admissions Success Stories

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are interested in helping in important admissions duties are always welcome.

Q. *Who are the members of the USMA field force?*

COL Rushton: "The U.S. Military Academy Admissions field force is comprised of Admissions Participants—volunteers and reservists—who act on behalf of the Military Academy as counselors and advisors. It is also comprised of organizations and their representatives such as the West Point Societies, District Recruiting Commands, U.S. Army Engineer Districts, Association of the United States Army chapters, ROTC professors of military science and candidate advisory officers at posts, camps and stations throughout the nation. We also link up with parents clubs throughout the country. Over all, our current Admissions field force network includes approximately 440 liaison officers and 1,200 Admissions Participants."

Q. *How does someone become an Admissions Participant?*

COL Rushton: "Our field force organization is structured by zip code, so anyone interested in admissions work should contact a designated zip code coordinator in your area. If you don't know the zip code coordinator, contact an admissions officer at West Point who will direct you to the right person. Graduates or friends of West Point may help the Admissions office by conducting interviews, by participating in invitational meetings, by contacting high school counselors and instructors, and by providing admissible candidates assistance in understanding the opportunities of the U.S. Military Academy and the Army."

Q. *What are the responsibilities of an Admission Participant?*

COL Rushton: "First an Admissions Participant must become familiar with the admissions process and review the standards for admission to West Point. Once familiar with the process and standard, an Admissions Participant can become the best possible counselor for the candidate. You can make a realistic assessment of the candidate's potential for success at West Point and work effectively with counselors and teachers to help identify those who will succeed at West Point and those who are motivated for service."

Q. *Is the USMA Admissions field force similar to other college admission networks?*

COL Rushton: "The U.S. Naval Academy and the U.S. Air Force Academy have similar field force programs, while other colleges and universities use a scaled down version of this organization. Many of the highly selective college and universities, such as Stanford, Harvard, and Northwestern, have certain individuals who operate in various areas for the university. Their responsibility is mainly in the interview process. The big difference in our program with that of others is the training that is provided for members of the field force. Each year approximately 100 liaison officers and nearly 50 volunteer members of the field force are invited to the Academy for training. This training includes an update on the USMA curriculum, military programs, and all aspects of life at West Point—the type of information that is helpful to candidates during the admissions process."

The West Point Fund

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offered financial aid scholarships must first open a file with the USMA Admissions Office and be qualified academically and medically for admission to West Point. The AOG considers only those candidates who are referred to the Association by the USMA Admissions Office. Each year 20-40 candidates are provided financial assistance, and each agrees to accept an appointment to West Point if it is offered after the completion of a preparatory year of schooling. Candidates may choose the school they wish to attend subject to approval of the AOG and the USMA Admissions Office. Candidates accepted in this program agree to take those courses recommended by the Admissions Office which will be of greatest assistance in preparing them for West Point. At the present time, we have five endowed scholarships. Cost to a donor for an endowed scholarship is $25,000.

Our athletic teams are in need of monies from the private sector to help support our varsity teams. In recent years the Army Intercollegiate Athletic Program has been troubled by budget constraints. While the government provides most of the facilities and a portion of the maintenance and personnel costs for the broad 26 sports program, the bulk of its operation must be supported from the non-government portion of the athletic budget. Usually the balancing of this budget depends on national television coverage of the Army-Navy game. The operating reserve of the Army Athletic Association budget is about $750,000 while the Naval Academy retains a reserve of over five times that amount. The AAA has its own fund raising program—The Army A Club Program—yielding about $250,000 annually, which has not been significant in solving the long range problem.

Our 92 extracurricular clubs and activities for the cadets all need and use support from gift monies. In recent years, our colleges and universities have instituted a variety of extracurricular clubs which provide wholesome diversion from or reinforcement for the strenuous academic curriculum. West Point and the other service academies have moved aggressively in this direction in part to compensate for the constraints of travel imposed by the regimentation of their lives. The variety of these activities (e.g., Sport Parachuting, Marathon, Cycling, Cadet Glee Club, Military Affairs Club, etc.) has proven to be a valuable asset to recruiting and a wholesome enhancement to the cadets' lifestyle. While these activities are supported partially through student

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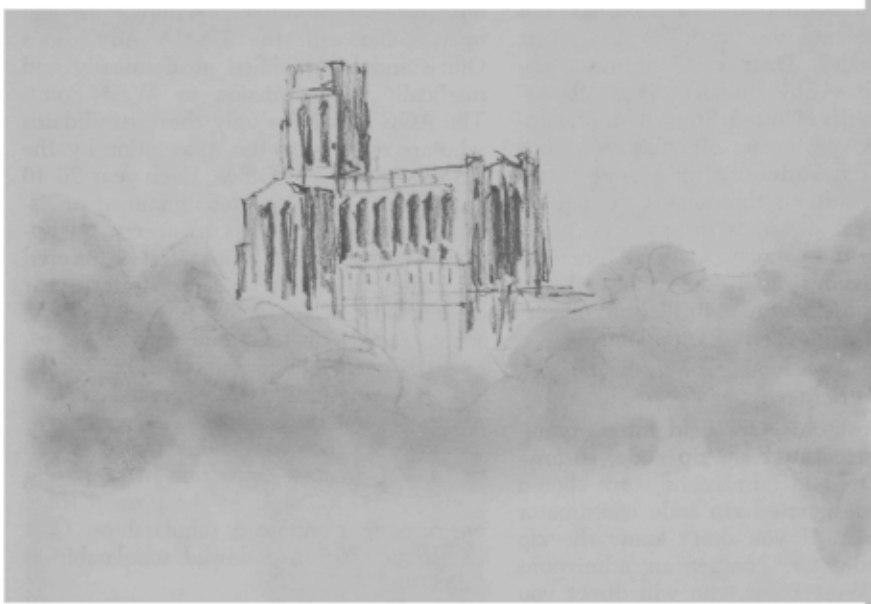
We, sons of today, we salute you—You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.



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Mason James Young

NO. 5336 CLASS OF 1915

Died 27 October 1982 in Newport News, Virginia, aged 88 years.

Interment: Glenwood Cemetery, Londonderry, New Hampshire

MASON JAMES YOUNG

MASON JAMES YOUNG was born in Londonderry, New Hampshire, on 9 February 1894, the son of Frederick Augustus Young and Emma Dodge Boyd. He grew up in the family home in Londonderry, built by his great grandfather in 1802, which was later his home in retirement. He graduated from Pinkerton Academy, Derry, New Hampshire, in 1911 and was the class valedictorian. His English teacher at Pinkerton was Robert Frost, the noted poet. Robert Frost's criteria in judging a written composition was "unity, emphasis and cohesion." Dad passed this on to his children, and to his last days he judged any paper put before him by this standard.

Entering the Military Academy in 1911, Mason graduated in 1915. He always spoke warmly, and with deep admiration, of his two most famous classmates, President Dwight D. Eisenhower and General Omar N. Bradley. Graduating high in his class he chose the Corps of Engineers. At West Point he was captain of the broadsword (sabre) team.

In 1916 Mason married Mary Wheeler Vest of Washington, D.C. She died in 1949 and he is buried beside her.

By 1918 he was first a battalion commander and then the commander of the 604th Engineers, a non-divisional regiment with the American Expeditionary Force in France. At this time he was the youngest major in the American Army since the Civil War. It should be remembered that only a few years before officers were retiring as majors after long and distinguished careers.

As an engineer officer, between World War I and World War II, Major Young had many assignments in river and harbor work. He supervised the construction of many civil works of enduring importance. In 1936 and 1937 as District Engineer for the Providence (Rhode Island) District he planned and supervised the comprehensive flood control program for the Connecticut River, involving four New England states in a cooperative effort. In fact, in 1949, when he was Division Engineer for the South Atlantic Division, with headquarters in Atlanta, he had had more river and harbor duty than any other officer of the Corps of Engineers at that time.

In World War II Mason was the engineer officer for VII Corps throughout the war, from the English Channel to the Elbe River, with corps engineers varying from 6,000 to 11,000 men. He received the Silver Star for heroism during the landing on Utah Beach on D-Day, 6 June 1944. Landing early on D-Day he supervised the clearing of beach obstacles and preparation of roads inland. When the advance command post of the 4th Infantry Division came ashore he reported to the Division Commander, Major General Raymond A. Barton, and briefed him on the engineer situation and the availability of roads inland. The command post and the beach area were being shelled by German artillery at the time and Colonel Young led the command post group to a "safe" location, an area which his engineers had cleared and marked in the middle of a mine field (which the German artillery did not fire upon). The citation ends: "Colonel Young's conduct materially contributed to the success of the operation. The courage, coolness and complete disregard of personal safety displayed by this officer reflects the highest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

Colonel Young is mentioned in Eisenhower's book, *Crusade in Europe*, for placing a bridge across the Rhine River in 10 hours and 11 minutes, a record for which the VII Corps commander, Lieutenant General J. Lawton Collins, rewarded the engineer soldiers with captured beer (not champagne as in the Eisenhower book). The men posted a sign on the bridge, "The Beer Bridge—short cut to the C.B.I." C.B.I. stood for the China-Burma-India Theatre. (See General Collins' book *Lightning Joe*).

For his wartime service Colonel Young was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. After the war he was promoted to brigadier general, established and was the first commander (1949-52) of the Communication Zone across France set up to supply the forces in Germany. He retired in 1953.

After retirement he worked from 1955-1961 in the Boston engineering firm of Faye, Spofford and Thordike, supervising airfield construction in Goose Bay, Labrador, and later engineering projects throughout northeastern United States.

Throughout his entire life, Mason lived by the Academy's motto "Duty, Honor, Country" as faithfully as any man I know. He lived his last eight years with his son, Colonel Mason J. Young, Jr., (USMA 1944) in Newport News, Virginia, with summer visits to his home in Londonderry. He saw his grandson, Mason J. Young, III, graduate from the Academy in 1970. He attended all class reunions for as long as he could, and was one of six classmates present at General Bradley's funeral in the National Cathedral in 1981. To the end of his days he was surrounded by a loving family, and received yearly many warm messages from the officers and enlisted men he commanded in the VII Corps during World War II. In addition to Colonel Young he is survived by a son, William B. Young, a Foreign Service Officer in Washington, D.C.; two daughters, Agatha Ann Maloit of Hazelhurst, Georgia and Priscilla Y. Shinkle of Alexandria, Virginia; ten grandchildren and ten great grandchildren, including Mason James Young, IV born in 1981.

Mason J. Young, Jr., Son

— Be Thou At Peace —

Joseph Shirley Gorlinski

NO. 6085 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 27 February 1983 in Sacramento, California, aged 85 years.

Interment: Cremation San Francisco National Cemetery

JOSEPH SHIRLEY GORLINSKI

JOSEPH SHIRLEY GORLINSKI was born in San Diego, California, on 6 September 1897. His grandfather, Major Joseph N. Gorlinski, served with distinction in the Civil War as an engineer with the Union forces and to this day his maps of the Red River defenses are on display at the National Archives Building in Washington, D.C. His father, Frank L. A. Gorlinski, served many years with the Bureau of Land Management in Washington before moving West where he became a mining engineer. There is little doubt about the great influence Joe's father and grandfather had on his subsequent fifty years of uninterrupted service to his country as an engineer, both in and out of uniform.

His early years were spent with his mother, Maud Estelle Tarwater Gorlinski, and his father in California and Nevada. A few months before his death he revisited his boyhood home in Willits, California, and described to his family how he used to ride his horse into town everyday to earn a few pennies dusting off the passengers as they descended from their stagecoaches. Who could have dreamed at that time what he would accomplish in the years to come?

After a year at the University of California at Berkeley, Joe received an appointment to West Point, once again reviving his ancestoral heritage of military service and joining a lifelong fraternity of classmates who would accompany him through two world wars and serve with him from Marrakech to Kunming, Godthab to Sidney, and Fort Dupont to Schofield Barracks. At West Point Joe excelled in academics, graduating fifty seventh in the class, and in sports where

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he was appointed captain of the West Point boxing team. His classmates called him "The Count" and that is the name he became known by for the rest of his life.

Upon his graduation from West Point, Count Gorlinski was assigned to France where he got an introduction to the devastation of World War I. Following training assignments at Camp Humphreys, Virginia, and Fort Benning, Georgia, he was appointed to the Reserve Officers Training Corps staff at the University of Tennessee where he taught for three years. That assignment coupled with a tour as training director of officer reserve camps at Fort Dupont, Delaware, laid the foundation for the key role he would play in training engineer troops during World War II when he served in the Office of the Chief of Engineers.

Following his ROTC tour Count joined the 3d Engineer Battalion at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and served in a variety of command and staff assignments. There he met and wed Mary Kathleen Savage who remains his faithful wife after more than 56 years of marriage.

Count was entrusted with great responsibilities early in his career. In 1932 he was assigned as Resident Engineer to the Bonneville Dam Project where he supervised the construction of the dam and the design of the first fish ladders that still draw the admiration of thousands of tourists, environmentalists, and engineers each year.

1938 saw Captain Count Gorlinski graduate from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and the Army War College with a following assignment to the 13th Engineers at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where he remained until the outbreak of World War II.

During the war years as Chief, Operations and Training Branch, Office of the Chief of Engineers, and later as Chief, War Plans Division there, he prepared initial plans for overseas task forces and for establishment of engineer headquarters in Iceland, Greenland, Ascension Island, Africa, New Zealand, Canada, Alaska, India, China, and the South Pacific. He was reponsible for training Army Service Forces engineer troops including critically needed special units such as petroleum distribution companies, port repair ships, and others not contemplated during peacetime.

After the war Count was appointed Theater Engineer, China Theater, where from Shanghai and Nanking he directed all engineering activties in China. Of special significance was his direction of the coastal map surveys from Cork Point to Mirs Bay and Hong Kong to the Hainan Strait which proved invaluable to the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

In 1947 Count assumed duties as District Engineer, Sacramento District, where he served until his retirement in 1950 with over thirty-one years service to his country. His military decorations included two awards of the Legion of Merit, Commendation Ribbon, Order of the Cloud and Banner (China), and Commanders Order of the Orange Nassau, presented by the Queen of the Netherlands.

He subsequently served his state of California as the original executive officer of California's first Central Valley Regional Water Control Board. In that capacity he developed the first water pollution control standards for the state and upon his retirement in 1966 the state legislature passed a resolution honoring his pioneering accomplishments in the field of water pollution abatement and control.

A few days before he passed away he reflected over his long productive life thinking of his family, his Class, and his career and said, "Who would have thought a little cowboy from Willits could have done so much?"

Count is survived by his wife Mary, daughter Joan, son Chuck and seven grandchildren.

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Kester Lovejoy Hastings

NO. 6234 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 26 May 1983 in Alexandria, Virginia, aged 86 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

KESTER LOVEJOY HASTINGS

KESTER LOVEJOY HASTINGS was born in Lewiston, Idaho, 20 March 1897, the third son of Charles Ainsworth Hastings and Carrie Armine Clough Hastings. Except for four years in the Boise schools, when his father was state treasurer, he attended schools in Lewiston. In 1915 he joined the National Guard and the day after his high school graduation in June 1916 the Guard was called out to be federalized for patrol duty on the Mexican border. One hour prior to his regiment's swearing in as an active Army unit, he received a telegram from his father advising of his appointment to West Point. Half of his Class had arrived in June and were in summer camp when he entered the academy on 10 July 1916. He graduated 1 Nov 1918 and was commissioned a second lieutenant of Infantry. His first assignment was with the machine gun school at Camp Hancock, Georgia. He was there only a short time before receiving orders to join the 3rd Division in Germany, later moving to Paris, where he was with the requisition and claims service. He returned home December 1919 for duty with the 54th Infantry at Camp Grant, Illinois. From then until January 1929, when he was ordered to Hawaii, he was a senior instructor at the first West Point Preparatory School, attended the Signal School, and had tours of duty at Fort Wayne in Detroit and Fort George Wright at Spokane, Washington. It was during these years that wherever Kester was stationed he managed to find the time to take courses at nearby colleges or by correspondence. It was while he was stationed in Hawaii that he requested a detail in the Quartermaster Corps and was subsequently assigned to the Quartermaster School at Schuykill Arsenal in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Graduating in 1932 he was assigned to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., as the Assistant Quartermaster.

Soon after his arrival in Washington he met Ruth Eastman, a dietitian at Walter Reed Hospital; they were married in October 1934. In August of that year Kester transferred to the Quartermaster Corps and remained at Walter Reed for another year. He then attended the Industrial College and the following year the first one-year course at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. The next two years were spent as the assistant quartermaster at Fort Douglas, Utah, and a year and a half as the Construction Quartermaster at the Ogden Ordnance Depot and at Hill Field.

In December 1940 he was assigned to the Office of the Quartermaster General as Chief of Construction for Troop Facilities. With the transfer of construction from the Quartermaster Corps to the Corps of Engineers in 1941, he was assigned to headquarters Army Ground Forces as the assistant quartermaster. In 1942 he returned to the Office of the Quartermaster General with responsibility for personnel and training and later for the research and development division. In August 1948 he was promoted to brigadier general and made the chief of the memorial division.

In May 1949 Kester became Quartermaster, Far East Command, Tokyo, Japan and with the outbreak of the Korean conflict in June 1950, Quartermaster for the United Nations Command. In that post he planned effective air drops of supplies to the allied troops and made a vital contribution in expediting the supply of food, clothing, petroleum and other materials to the combat forces. For personal gallantry in forward areas in 1950 he was awarded the Silver Star. Later he supervised the program for returning to this country the remains of American servicemen who died in Korea. In July 1952 he was assigned to the Office of the Quartermaster General, was promoted to major general and appointed Deputy Quartermaster General. The Senate confirmed his appointment as the Quartermaster General on 5 February 1954. In this position he reorganized his headquarters in keeping with the single manager assignments from the Secretary of Defense, the first of which was the management of the wholesale supply of food and clothing to all of the armed services. He instituted improved management and operating methods throughout the Quartermaster system. Through his efforts he brought into being a Quartermaster Board, the Quartermaster Memorial Corporation, and the Quartermaster Museum at Fort Lee, Virginia. He retired from the Army on 31 March 1957. "During his 39 years of commissioned service in the Army he often held positions of great responsibility which he always fulfilled modestly and effectively. He was known and admired for his leadership ability, for his integrity, and loyalty to seniors and juniors alike."

Among his decorations were the Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, Legion of Merit and several foreign decorations.

After retiring, Kester spent the next four and a half years with Melpar, a subsidiary of Westinghouse Airbrake. Leaving there in September 1961 he became the executive director of MEDICO which later merged with CARE. He had responsibility for recruiting physicians, surgeons, and nurses to serve on a volunteer basis to treat sick people in many of the developing countries throughout the world. This was a very rewarding experience, and it was with great reluctance that he voluntarily retired in November 1973 at the

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age of 76. Upon his retirement he received distinguished service awards from both MEDICO and CARE.

From early boyhood until he died Kester always seemed able to find time to pursue one or more of his hobbies. He was an avid reader and always in quest of further knowledge about a variety of subjects. He believed in a broad education as a means to a richer, fuller life. Stamp collecting, genealogy, gardening, especially growing roses for which he had gained some fame, and his collection of anecdotes and stories, a source of entertainment to his family and friends, were some of his many interests.

For a number of years he had devoted a great deal of time to affairs of his West Point Class. Being the Class scribe and president gave him an opportunity to keep in close touch with all of his living classmates and widows. This was a source of great satisfaction and joy to him.

A loving and devoted husband and father, Kester Lovejoy Hastings exemplified in his daily life the values of "Duty, Honor, Country"—a true gentleman and officer. He is survived by his wife, Ruth; two sons, James a colonel in the Army Medical Corps, and David a lieutenant colonel retired, USMA '61; and five grandchildren.

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Albert Smith Rice

NO. 6472 CLASS OF 1919

Died 1 September 1983 in Savannah, Georgia, aged 86 years.

Interment: Greenwich Bonaventure Cemetery, Savannah, Georgia

ALBERT SMITH RICE

ALBERT SMITH RICE (Bob) was born in Rockland, Maine, on 10 August 1897, the son of Mervyn Ap Rice and Nellie Dow Rice. While Bob was still a child they moved to Montclair, New Jersey, where he completed grade and high school and was active in sports.

Anticipating appointment to West Point, Bob attended Columbian Preparatory School ("Shad's") in Washington, D.C. in 1916. In June 1917, he entered the United States Military Academy shortly after the United States had entered World War I. That war brought about the early graduation of all the classes at West Point, and the class with which Bob entered in 1917 was destined to graduate on 1 November 1918. Following the Armistice which, ten days later, terminated the war, Bob's class returned to West Point on 1 December as second lieutenants to continue their education. They graduated again in June 1919.

Following graduation, the class as a unit was sent to tour the battlefields and other points of military and cultural interest in Europe before each individual proceeded to his service school to attend the basic course. Bob, as a second lieutenant of Infantry, went to the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia. On 28 April 1920, prior to graduation, Bob resigned, but was reappointed a first lieutenant on 1 July 1920. He was assigned to the 16th Infantry, stationed at Camp Dix, New Jersey, and later at Fort Jay (Governors Island), New York. While on this assignment Bob participated in national rifle matches at Camp Perry, Ohio.

In 1923 Bob was assigned to the 65th Infantry in Puerto Rico. While on this assignment he met Thelma Elmore, an English teacher for public schools. They were married on 27 May 1925. Bob subsequently was transferred to the 23d Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Two years later he was sent as a student to the Tank School at Fort Meade, Maryland. Upon graduation in 1929 Bob was ordered to the Ordnance Department with station at the Frankford Pennsylvania Arsenal, where he served as safety director for one year. This duty was followed by a year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a year at the Ordnance School at Watertown Massachusetts Arsenal. In 1932 Bob was again transferred to the Frankford Pennsylvania Arsenal, where he was in charge of ammunition for five years. This duty was followed by attendance at the Army Industrial College in Washington, D.C. Bob graduated in 1938 and was assigned to duty in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance, where he was in charge of ammunition. Bob's next assignment took him to Europe and to the staff of Major General Everett Hughes, Chief of Ordnance in Europe. A year later Bob was ordered home after heart trouble, and was retired in 1944. He was awarded the Legion of Merit twice for his service in World War II.

After being retired, Bob moved to South Carolina and went to work for the W.F. and John Barnes Company of Rockford, Illinois. This was followed by employment as Safety and Security Director for American Safety Corporation in La Porte, Indiana. He retired after eight years.

After attaining 66 years of age, Bob sought a more relaxed life in Savannah, Georgia. There he found the home of his dream at Wilmington Island where he was near water, a golf course, and not far from his son, Mervyn Ap, II, and two grandsons. Bob's daughter and her husband live in Cheraw, South Carolina. Bob helped to organize an Independent Episcopal Church and served as treasurer for twelve years. His last two years were marred by ill health and severe suffering. He is survived by his wife, Thelma; their son, Mervyn Ap; their daughter, Sally Holliday; four grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

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George Leo Doolittle

NO. 6661 CLASS OF 1920

Died 13 August 1982 in Albuquerque, New Mexico, aged 83 years.

Interment: Sunset Memorial Park, Albuquerque, New Mexico

GEORGE LEO DOOLITTLE

GEORGE LEO DOOLITTLE was born in Colfax, Iowa, on 30 July 1899, the son of James M. and Ruth Locke Doolittle. He was raised in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where his father was the owner of the Albuquerque Lumber Company.

As a child, he wanted to be in the Army and attended the New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, was then appointed to the Academy. Just prior to his graduation he contracted tuberculosis, but was commissioned with his Class on 2 July 1920 due to the efforts of Brigadier General Douglas MacArthur, who was Superintendent of West Point at that time.

Following early retirement and recovery from his affliction, he spent a year as supply officer and instructor at the New Mexico Military Institute, the school he attended as a young man. He then entered upon his life's work at the Albuquerque Lumber Company under the tutelage of his father. He took over active management on the latter's demise. He was there when the attack at Pearl Harbor precipitated the United States into war with the Axis powers.

George immediately applied for active duty and was ordered to duty as a captain with the Corps of Engineers in the Albuquerque District. The district was heavily engaged in building training and housing facilities in New Mexico, Arizona, West Texas, and Southern Colorado, including Los Alamos, constructing a million dollars worth of facilities in one day. George's experience with lumber and acquaintance with producers did yeoman's service in keeping the Albuquerque District contractors supplied with critical lumber during a period of extreme scarcity. This contributed tremendously to their fine record of completing facilities on schedule.

Later George was transferred to the Chief of Engineer's Office in Washington. He was placed in the supply division and given charge of the assignment of priorities for controlled materials. These were raw materials

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in short supply necessary to production of munitions and equipment for the military. He very successfully administered this very arduous and complicated program to the advantage of all concerned. He was promoted to major before he went to Washington. Duty in Washington was trying, but George's outflow of dry humor helped many to survive the times. His Academy classmate wrote of him in the *Howitzer*, "Dooley's humor, cheerfulness and the extreme ease with which he accepts life, have earned for him the good wishes of all who knew him, and fortunate indeed is the organization to which he is assigned."

After the war, George returned to Albuquerque and resumed management of the Albuquerque Lumber Company. During his absence the company burned to the ground and had to be rebuilt. Raw lumber was in very short supply following the resumption and acceleration in building at the conclusion of hostilities. Albuquerque was growing rapidly and the demand for lumber for housing and commercial construction was heavy. George stepped into the breach, rebuilt the company, entered into the production of raw lumber from the New Mexico forests, expanded into hardware and plumbing supplies, and became one of the most successful retailers in the area, attaining in the process Dunn & Bradstreet's highest rating.

In addition to his positions as Chairman of the Board and President of Albuquerque Lumber Company, George served as President of the Construction Supply Company and Fir Pine Lumber Company. He was also Chairman of the Board of Alco Development Company. He served as a Director of Mountain States Telephone Company, the National Association of Manufacturers, Mountain States Lumber Dealers Association, the Albuquerque Country Club, and the Greater Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce. He saw Albuquerque grow from a cowtown into a large metropolitan area, the cultural and commercial center of the upper Rio Grande Valley and New Mexico. George grew with the city and became one of its staunch successful patriarchs.

In 1974, George published a book of memoirs entitled *As I Remember*. The 225-page paperback contains the story of his life and a description and photographs that chronicle the early history of Albuquerque.

George's wife was Rosalie Furry, whom he married in 1925. George and Rosalie had three children: Jeannette, James M. II, and George L. Jr. Jeannette married Donald C. Ingram, a West Point graduate of 1944. His son James M. II, now deceased, became president of Albuquerque Lumber Company in 1964 and led the company to its centennial celebration in 1981. His son George L. Jr. is a businessman in Portland, Oregon. George and Rosalie had nine grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

Dean John Haverland's homily during George's service at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral said, "His faith was reflected in this life in his love and concern for his family; his devotion and love for his country, which he served with distinction; his love and concern for the city of Albuquerque, which he helped mold and develop through his vision and courage; his friendship and concern for persons of all walks of life—the rich and the poor—the young and the old."

He joins the long gray line exemplifying the tribute, "Well Done."

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James Hess Walker

NO. 6668 CLASS OF 1920

Died 5 May 1983 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 82 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas

JAMES HESS WALKER

JAMES HESS WALKER was born on 15 November 1900, in Carlsbad, New Mexico, the fourth son of John David Walker and Ru Emma Avent Walker, descendants of pioneer Texas families. His father was a sheep rancher and the sheriff of Eddy County, New Mexico. The disciplined upbringing of Jimmy and his older brothers, and their chores on the sheep ranch, developed characters of self confidence, able to conquer difficulties and to achieve success.

Jimmy attended grade and high school in Carlsbad, the Coltrain Military Academy in San Antonio, Texas, and Junior College, New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, New Mexico. In 1917, he was appointed to the Military Academy by New Mexico Senator A. A. Jones. He became a cadet on 2 July 1918, as a member of the Class which, with the modification of the curricula by the Congress, in the exigencies of World War I, duly graduated 15 June 1920—designated the Class of that year.

The environment of Jimmy's early years, and the exposures of military school, prepared him well for West Point. Academically, he ranked above the middle of the Class. In the Corps organization, he held the grade of sergeant. The 1920 *Howitzer*, and the recollections of his classmates, record that he was interested in dancing with the "femmes" at the hops.

"True Son of the Southwest," Jimmy's choice of branch of the service was the Cavalry. The National Defense Act of 1920 made provision for the Regular Army commissioning on 1 July 1920 of applicants who had served in temporary officer status during World War I, and postponing the commissioning of the Class of 1920 until 2 July, with interim status of "Graduated Cadets with pay of Second Lieutenants."

Accordingly, on 2 July Jimmy was appointed second lieutenant of Cavalry and on the same day promoted to first lieutenant, filling one of the vacancies in the Regular Army officer corps. Jimmy's first duty assignment was student officer, Basic Course, Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas, from which he graduated in June 1921. From then, until March 1925, he was assigned to the 7th Cavalry, with stations at Fort Bliss and Camp Marfa, Texas. The next two years Jimmy served with the 26th Cavalry at Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands; and from 1927 with the 14th Cavalry at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. Following a short tour (November 1929 to March 1930) as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, New Mexico, Jimmy was detailed as an instructor to the Guatemalan Army, in Guatemala City. During the five year period of duty with the Guatemalan Army, he received the Guatemalan Order of Merito Militaire and the Order of Flor de Lis and was promoted to the grade of captain. From August 1935 to July 1937, Jimmy commanded a troop of the 11th Cavalry at the Presidio of Monterey, California. The next year he attended the Army's Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and the following year commanded a troop of the 12th Cavalry at Fort Brown, Texas.

In July 1939, Jimmy was ordered to duty in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff G-1, War Department General Staff, Washington, D.C. For the next four years he was engaged in personnel administration and planning, in preparation for the oncoming emergency. In March 1943, Jimmy was promoted to brigadier general and assigned command of the 5th Cavalry Brigade, 2d Cavalry Division, at Fort Clark, Texas. During December 1943, Jimmy was called to Washington, D.C., for special duty with the Army Group. Upon completion of that assignment, he became Commander of the Army Ground Forces Redistribution Centers, first at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and then at Miami Beach, Florida. From October 1945 until April 1946, Jimmy served as the United States Military Attache, US Embassy in Mexico City, Mexico.

Unfortunately, during that period Jimmy was confronted with health problems, which culminated in his retirement from active duty for physical disability on 31 August 1946. Following that retirement, Jimmy and his wife "Jo" established their home in San Antonio, Texas, and Jimmy became engaged in business. First, he managed Sou-Tex Distributors; then was a partner in Gerfen-Walker Real Estate Enterprise; and subsequently, he joined the consulting engineer firm of B. L. Beavers and Associates.

While at his first station at the Cavalry School in 1921, Jimmy and Harriet Josephine Clarke (Jo) were married in her hometown of Junction City, Kansas. During the years of their Army travels they were blessed with a daughter, Marjorie (now Mrs. Bernard J. Morris), and three sons—John, who died at age 29, James H., Jr., Lieutenant Colonel, US Army Retired, and Michael J.

In 1968, Jimmy suffered a debilitating stroke, which progressively invalided him during his last fifteen years in a nursing home. Sadly, wife Jo, who had devoted full time to taking care of Jimmy, suffered such severe injuries in an accident that she also became a patient in a nursing home.

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James Hess Walker, who is survived by his widow, daughter, two sons, and twenty-six grand and great grandchildren, was buried in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, with full military honors. As a special tribute to Cavalryman Jimmy Walker, a trooper, in old Cavalry uniform, from the Exhibition Cavalry Troop of Fort Hood, Texas, was a member of the cortege.

Jimmy Walker's family, friends, fellow officers and soldiers, and his classmates of the Class of 1920, USMA, pay solemn tribute to his memory.

Charles Holle and
Millard Pierson,
Classmates

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Wilfred Henry Pfrommer Weber

NO. 7059 CLASS OF 1923

Died 24 July 1982 in Riverdale, New York, aged 83 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

WILFRED HENRY PFROMMER WEBER

WILFRED HENRY PFROMMER WEBER was born in Irvington, New Jersey, 6 December 1898, the son of Frederic W. and Wilhelmina Pfrommer Weber. Before high school graduation in Irvington, he joined the United States Army at the outset of World War I. He enlisted on 4 May 1917 in Company C, 1st Engineers and was later transferred to Company B, 6th Engineers. He sailed for France 4 December 1917 and participated in the Somme defensive, Champagne, Marne, Aisne, St. Mihiel, and Meuse Argonne in the defensive sector. Wounded 21 October 1918 at Natilois, France, after some weeks in a French hospital he returned to the United States and was honorably discharged 20 January 1919.

Wilfred returned to his parents' home in Irvington; while there he received his long-delayed high school diploma at a special service for graduates who had missed graduation day. A friend had received an appointment to West Point but declined, and Wilfred was able to replace him. He put all of his efforts toward studying for West Point and entered the Academy on 11 July 1919, not as a teenager, but a seasoned soldier already having earned the Victory Medal with six battle clasps and the Purple Heart.

While at West Point he was on the indoor meet for four years, the football squad his third and fourth year, and the boxing and wrestling teams his fourth year. He was a sharpshooter in rifle and also enjoyed swimming and horseback riding.

Graduating from the Academy 12 June 1923, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Infantry. He resigned 20 August 1923 and on 27 October 1924 joined the Officers Reserve Corps. Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers, he was assigned to the 368th Engineers, New York National Guard. On 24 May 1926 he made first lieutenant Infantry in the New York National Guard and served in the 2d Battalion, 14th Infantry as adjutant and later as company commander. He was promoted to captain 17 May 1927.

His education after graduation from the Academy consisted of two years post graduate work at Columbia University, New York. He also took special courses which proved helpful in his employment with the Brooklyn Union Gas Company. He rose to the top in various positions and was an executive for over fourteen years. A Christian Scientist Practioner for many years, he was a dedicated Christian and a dedicated man in all he stood for.

World War II saw him back into action with the United States Army in the overseas supply division of the New York Port of Embarkation from 1942 until 1946, returning to the National Guard as a colonel. He retired as a brigadier general from the New York National Guard in 1958. His service ribbons, stars, and medals were numerous.

After retiring from the Brooklyn Union Gas Company, he moved to Connecticut not long after his second marriage. There, on a farm of some forty acres, he enjoyed horseback riding until a few years before his death. His illness came on suddenly; he died of cancer.

Wilfred married Mignon A. Fox on 28 November 1923. A few years after her death he married Gladys Gleason in 1954. She died in 1974. On 29 September 1981 he married Audra Hensel. He lived but ten months and passed on in a nursing home in New York on 24 July 1982. Our marriage, though brief in time, cannot compare with our lifetime relationship. Since childhood he had been my idol. As his cousin, friend, and correspondent for four decades; fate and thousands of miles of separation kept us apart most of our lives. I came when he needed me to fill the void for him during the mid-seventies. With me, he was always the West Point cadet. We were meant to be together when he left for the world beyond.

Wilfred was a man loved by his friends and neighbors, respected by those with whom he worked and associated. His heart seemed always to be with the United States Army, the New York National Guard, and West Point. He lived by his beliefs, God and country, to the end. He was a gentle, considerate, kind, thoughtful, loving, loyal, and tenderhearted man, yet so modest as far as his own meritorious war record or achievements, that only since his passing have I fully realized what Wilfred kept hidden within himself. His love for his church, his beliefs, plus his philanthropic nature were dedicated towards the preservation of his country and to those who needed help, spiritually or financially. He kept his Bible, science and health books, dictionary, as well as his West Point yearbook at his finger tips, perusing them often. I marvelled at his remembrance of all those whom he had known over the years. He kept up a daily correspondence with many. He far surpassed any man whom I had ever known in character, integrity or inspiration. He is survived by his wife and one niece.

He is not dead, he is just away. He has laid his cloak along side those of his buddies, but his spirit is marching on.

Audra H. Weber

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Francis Anthony Kreidel

NO. 7407 CLASS OF 1924

Died 25 October 1982 in Scarsdale, New York, aged 80 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

FRANCIS ANTHONY KREIDEL

FRANCIS ANTHONY KREIDEL was born 15 April 1902 in New York City. He graduated from DeWitt Clinton High School in 1920 with honors in history and was a member of the "Arista Society" whose members were elected based on character, service to the school (extra-curricular), and scholarship. Appointed to West Point, he entered in June 1920 and graduated in 1924 with a Bachelor of Science Degree. He was initially assigned to the 7th Field Artillery at Madison Barracks, New York, from 1924-1926. Francis was then transferred to the 11th Field Artillery at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, until 26 October.

Resigning due to the illness of a relative, in January 1927 he entered business in the New York area when he was employed by The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company and served in their operations and sales department in the East.

In December 1941 he was given a leave of absence to re-enter military service. He had been a member of the Army Reserves from 1926-1930 and was a member of the 14th New York National Guard Infantry when called to active duty January 1941. After assignment to Fort Ethan Allan, Vermont, he was ordered to Washington, D.C. in December 1941. He became Director of Intelligence, Army Transportation Corps, and then was assigned to Fifth Service Command, Columbus, Ohio, in 1944. Later he was placed in command of all recruiting for Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, and West Virginia. A tour of duty in the Philippines was interrupted by illness, and he was evacuated to the States. His next assignment was to the Provost Marshal's Office, Washington, D.C. From there he was sent to Iran and served as Chief of Staff of the United States Military Mission

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from 1948-1950. His next assignments were to Fort Benning, Georgia, 1950-1951, and Fort McPherson, Georgia, 1951-1952. He was Commandant of the Provost Marshal General's Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia from 1952 to 1954. From 1954-1957 he was assigned to Japan as Provost Marshal of the Eighth Army & Far East Command which included Japan, Korea, and Okinawa, and also served as chief United States Advisor to the national police of those countries. He retired in 1957.

His military honors and decorations included a Legion of Merit, two Army Commendation Medals, Iran Order of Merit Lyaghet, Korean Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, and various Service Campaign Medals.

He married Margaret Jane Reilly in 1933 at Watertown, New York; three of his West Point roommates were in the wedding ceremony. Surviving him are his wife, Margaret, of Scarsdale, New York; their daughter, Sheila, of Scarsdale; their son, Francis, of Florida; two sisters, Regina Ruddy of Dobbs Ferry, New York, and Marcella of New Jersey; seven grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Margaret Kreidel, wife.

William Thaddeus Sexton

NO. 7506 CLASS OF 1924

Died 22 June 1983 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 80 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

WILLIAM THADDEUS SEXTON

WILLIAM THADDEUS SEXTON was born in Leavenworth, Kansas, on 3 September 1902, and arrived at West Point with the "Thundering Herd" in July 1920. Beside mastering the academics and the military trade, Bill found time to toot a bugle in the Drum and Bugle Corps, warble in chapel and in color-lines, and sport the red sash of a hop manager. Bill was an active member of the track team—participating in the dashes and holding the broad jump record throughout his cadet days. As members of the "Price Boys" banjo quartet with Joe Burrill and Dick Gibson, Bill and I spent many happy hours at I company and color-line songfests with our theme song set to the tune of the "Old Time Religion."

Bill also experimented briefly with a bass viol. The first time our tac on inspecting saw this huge instrument monopolizing Bill's alcove, he twanged a string, was greeted with a loud bur-u-u-m-m and said, "Mr. Sexton, do you really play this thing?" Whereupon Bill looked sheepish, pulled his chin in, guffawed and said, "I'm trying to, Sir."

Graduation saw him off with a bride for four years on the border with Horse (Pack) Artillery, then, soon to Fort Sill for the Battery Officers' Course and off to the Philippine Scouts at Fort Stotsenburg (1930). Three years later he was back at the Signal School at Fort Monmouth, after which he joined the First Field Artillery Brigade at Fort Hoyle, Maryland (1934).

Duty in the Philippines had stimulated Bill's literary interests and he had started writing a book entitled *Soldiers in the Sun*. Assigned to West Point as an instructor in the Department of Economics, Government, and History (1936-39), he developed his manuscript and published his book.

General Marshall wrote Bill in January 1940, saying that during his second tour in the Philippines (1913-16) he had studied and reconnoitered in detail all our operations from 1898 to 1904. He then commented as follows:

> "With this as a background for my critical opinion of your book, I would like to congratulate you on a remarkable piece of research and writing. I can think of nothing of importance that you have omitted and there seems to be nothing you have included which might well have been omitted. Your book is a remarkable record of what took place in the Philippines, of the aspects of cause and effect, and of the state of mind of the times.
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> My congratulations on a splendid piece of work.
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> Faithfully yours,
> G. C. Marshall
> Chief of Staff."
> (signed)

Soon thereafter, following short tours at Fort Bragg and in the Intelligence Division of the War Department General Staff, he found himself in 1941 as Assistant Secretary and then Secretary of the General Staff in the early days of World War II. General Marshall apparently remembered Bill's literary style, thoroughness, and attention to detail.

Relieved at the end of 1943 for duty overseas, Bill found himself, after a short refresher course at Fort Sill, commanding the 3d Infantry Division Artillery in Italy. He got his first star and stayed with the division in France and Germany until after the Armistice when he took off for Iran for two and a half years as military attache. Here he developed his talent as a connoisseur of Oriental rugs.

Reporting to the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in January 1949, Bill first handled the extension courses and shortly thereafter became Chief of Staff. This was the first and only time we were stationed together since our cadet days as roommates at West Point.

In 1951, Bill volunteered for airborne duty and following the parachute jumping course at Fort Benning, he found himself commanding the 82nd Airborne Division Artillery at Fort Bragg.

Then followed a happy period as Chief of Staff, Sixth Army, at the Presidio of San Francisco. Having lost his first wife, Bill had married a childhood sweetheart. Bill Junior was a student at Georgia Tech and Elaine, his only daughter, was in high school. He was grateful for two years of normal living after the mad decade of the 1940's.

In 1954, Bill was assigned as first Chief of Military Assistance Advisory Group, Pakistan, and a year later returned to Germany to command the 5th Infantry Division. One year later he received his permanent promotion to major general and returned to the Pentagon as Deputy Inspector General.

This important, but normally unsought assignment, did not appeal to Bill, whose physical condition, as well as his wife's left much to be desired. After a very few months of such duty he retired in August 1956. His words of calm frustration are typical of his power of verbal and written expression and worthy of recording. Bill said, "One morning upon entering the Pentagon, I got the feeling that I was a member of a school of salmon swimming upstream in a mass movement, so I asked for retirement."

He enjoyed it for nearly twenty seven years, devoting his life to those he loved and indulging the literary and art talents with which he was gifted.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. His military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (with three Oak Leaf Clusters) and others. Foreign decorations include the French Legion of Honor and Croix de Guerre (with Palms) among others.

Bill is survived by his wife, Mary Weber Willey Sexton, whom he married on 15 October 1982. Mary lives in San Antonio, Texas, as does Bill Junior, Class of 1960, USMA. Bill's daughter, Sue Sexton Sowers, resides in Olympia, Washington. In addition, Bill left six grandchildren, one great-grandson and a step-daughter, Sylvia Willey Moss of Corona del Mar, California.

Trudeau—Classmate

George Edmund Wrockloff, Jr.

NO. 7510 CLASS OF 1924

Died 30 November 1982 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 80 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas

GEORGE EDMUND WROCKLOFF, JR., known by his many friends as "Red," was born in Canyon City, Colorado, on 18 February 1902. Raised in Colorado and California, he graduated from Pomona High School, Pomona, California, and entered the Military Academy in 1920. Upon graduation with the "Thundering Herd," Class of 1924, he was commissioned as a lieutenant of Artillery. George served his early Army years at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and subsequently was assigned to the Coast Artillery and stationed in Hawaii. It was here that he met and married Erma Comstock, his wife of fifty years. George returned to the States as an ROTC instructor at Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio, and at the beginning of hostilities during World War II prepared for combat with the 1st Armored Division at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and assumed command of the 27th Armored Field Artillery Battalion.

Initially landing with the Red Force at Arzew Beach, George saw action along the Tebourba Road, the Ousseltia Valley and at the Kasserine pass. Several times he assumed command of all artillery units assigned to Combat Command B and served as artillery

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GEORGE EDMUND WROCKLOFF JR.

advisor to the commanding general. He was awarded the Legion of Merit for his efforts during this campaign.

In 1944, George transferred to the Transportation Corps and was assigned to the New York Port of Embarkation as executive officer for overseas supply. In this capacity he assisted in the planning for and execution of the movement of supplies for the Normandy invasion, and the invasion of Germany. George served from 1946 to 1949 as Deputy Chief of Transportation, European Command.

Reassigned to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, from 1949 to 1952, George served as Transportation Officer for Fourth United States Army and was also President of the National Defense Transportation Association. The mutual understanding and spirit of cooperation George fostered between military, state, and federal organizations greatly streamlined the procedures required to move oversized equipment and greatly improved Fourth Army's ability to accomplish its transportation missions.

From 1952 to 1954, George served successively as Transportation Officer, Japan Logistical Command, and Commanding Officer, Transportation Traffic Regulating Group, 8010th Army Unit, responsible for the logistic support of Korean operations and the modernization of the Japanese national railway system. George was again awarded the Legion of Merit for his Far East service.

George returned to Fort Sam Houston in 1954 and retired from active duty. Never one to slow down, George went to work as an agent for Acacia Mutual Life Insurance Company in San Antonio the day after he retired.

During his 16 years of service with Acacia, George set numerous sales records, qualified for many different awards, and more importantly to George, provided a valuable service to his clients.

George passed away at home on 30 November 1982 as a result of a heart attack. Always loyal to God, his family, and his fellow man, George will be remembered as a loving husband, father, and friend. He is survived by his wife, Erma; son, George III; grandsons, Edmund and John Wrockloff; brother, Palmer Wrockloff; and sister, Louise Olds.

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— Be Thou At Peace —

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Robert Lee Howze, Jr.

NO. 7643 CLASS OF 1925

Died 14 April 1983, in Carmel, California, aged 80 years.

Interment: Presidio of San Francisco, California

ROBERT LEE HOWZE, JR., son of Robert Lee and Anne Chiffelle Hawkins Howze, ended an admirable military career as Deputy Commanding General and Chief of Staff, Seventh Army, Europe. He had previously served as Assistant Commandant of the Armored School, Chief of the Military Advisory Group, Korea (KMAG), Commanding General of the 1st Armored Division, and Deputy Commanding General of the Sixth Army.

He died as a result of an automobile accident in Carmel, California, where he had lived since his retirement in 1962. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three daughters—Anne (Mrs. Henry Lee Phillips), Margaret (Mrs. Robert Hampton Howe), and Elizabeth (Mrs. Justin Short); ten grandchildren; a sister Harriot (Mrs. Henry Crampton Jones); and myself.

As evidenced by the expressions of regret by his classmates on his death, Bobby was popular as a cadet. He graduated high in his class and was the cadet captain of Company B—in the words of the *HOWITZER*, "holding them back in their mad rush for the mess hall and chasing them out when it was time to leave." He was on the swimming and polo teams. Particularly gratifying was the *HOWITZER* note that there was many an "immortal" who had reason to be thankful for Bobby's help in passing the semi-annual nightmare of writs.

Bobby was born on 23 March 1903 while his father was stationed in Puerto Rico. Because his mother did not feel well in the heat and humidity of the tropics, she elected to have her baby at the home of her father, Brigadier General Hamilton S. Hawkins, then retired from the Army and governor of the Old Soldier's Home in Washington. Bobby was born in the Army, brought up in the Army, served in the Army just as long as the law allowed, and gloried in it. He had his disappointments and personal sorrows, of course, like everybody else, but he gave one the impression that he had few unhappy moments in his almost thirty-eight years of military service.

ROBERT LEE HOWZE, JR.

The son of a cavalryman, grandson of an infantryman (both of whom served as Commandant of Cadets), and great-grandson of a Regular Army doctor who lost his life to yellow fever near Vera Cruz in the Mexican War, Bobby never contemplated an alternative to the Army. As a life-long cavalryman he had a passionate attachment to the horse, particularly to the polo pony and, of course, to polo itself. He was a graduate of Fort Riley's Advanced Equitation Course, once a highly selective assignment for the best of the Army's horsemen. Nothing to him as a young officer was more totally satisfying than to sit a fine horse at polo or at the head of a troop of cavalry.

In 1928 he was married to Margaret Palm of El Paso, who was killed shortly after their marriage in a tragic automobile accident. On 26 December 1930 he married Margaret Ward Richmond (Peggy) whose parents were Colonel Henry R. Richmond, a prominent cavalryman, and Mrs. Richmond. Peggy was the mother of Bobby's three daughters, Anne, Margaret, and Elizabeth. The three charming little tow-headed girls became very well known in the Army. A friend once asked my brother why he did not bestir himself to have a son. Bobby, bearing in mind the names of his girls, said "Well, three queens are hard to beat."

To the very great distress of all of Bobby's family, Peggy suffered a long illness and died at Letterman General Hospital on 1 November 1958, while her husband was with the Sixth Army, headquartered at the Presidio of San Francisco.

On 21 September 1963 he married Dorothy Perkins Rand, widow of Lieutenant Colonel Peter Rand of the Army. It was an extremely happy marriage, for which his daughters have always been very thankful.

Bobby felt always that the crescendo of his life came in the Battle of the Bulge. His regular title was Commanding Officer, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment; his battle assignment was that of Commander, Combat Command "R" of the 3rd Armored Division, consisting of two task forces, each including elements of the 36th Armored Infantry but otherwise of varying composition.

In the vicinity of Soy and Hotton, Belgium, these forces felt the full weight of the German onslaught and held fast. Thereafter Combat Command "R" participated in the long, bloody counterattack, ending up in the Vaux-Sommerain area. In the exictement and fury of the battle Bobby felt that this was what he had worked up to, trained for and lived for; he recognized it as the supreme test and, of course, very possibly the culminating one. He fought his units with a combination of great energy and skill, and they won magnificently. For this and other combat action he was decorated twice by the United States, twice by the French, and three times by the Belgians.

In the course of preparation of this piece I asked his daughters to give me his likes and dislikes. Their report: he loved polo, people, and poker; he disliked liver, hippies, and powdered eggs. One can imagine no finer testimony to a man's taste and sensibilities. As a matter of fact, he liked almost everything and everybody. He was a happy man, as he eminently deserved to be.

His daughters have poignant memories of their father, whom they obviously adored and with whom they had great fun.

When he was Chief of Staff of the Caribbean Command in Panama, he and his family

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went one weekend to visit a Panamanian doctor at his home up in the hills. Bobby's youngest girl, then only 12, discovered a small horse on the premises and persuaded the doctor to let her ride it. Bobby wisely decided that as a proper and prudent precaution he should ride the animal first. As he began to mount, the horse suddenly backed up, quite violently, throwing Bobby to the ground, and then sat itself firmly on Bobby's right leg. This was a surprising and inappropriate act on the part of the horse, my brother being an accomplished cavalryman, and of course very uncomfortable for Bobby. It seems as though this should have been only a very temporary state of affairs, but the horse chose to remain seated until forciby removed by the combined efforts of my brother's family, the doctor's family, and two tenant farmers.

Somewhere in Columbia, on an official visit there, Bobby had the unusual experience of attending a bullfight given in his honor. It must not have been a very high class bullfight or in a very substantial bull ring, because the bull on entering the ring charged not the matador but the grandstand where Bobby was sitting with the town mayor and other dignitaries. The stand collapsed like a house of cards under its occupants and the bull disappeared into the countryside where (in the words of one of Bobby's daughters) he no doubt had a better idea of how to conduct himself.

The foregoing is the sort of thing that happens only to the active. One part of Bobby's activity as a young officer was the nurturing of a pet wildcat, an activity which terminated when the cat got into the commanding general's pigeon loft. Years later, while a colonel on the general staff in the Pentagon, he escorted three very high ranking officers from Washington to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, as they were being introduced to a new materiel development called the Seep, a nickname for an experimental amphibious jeep. Bobby drove the small party, all seated in the vehicle, down a bank and into a small arm of the Chesapeake Bay, upon which the Seep (a frightful name anyway) went right to the bottom, leaving, according to the sworn testimony of a witness, only the four hats afloat.

My father and mother were extraordinarily proud and extremely fond of their older son; so too were his sister and brother, his wife and daughters and grandchildren. Bobby was a cheery, amusing, tender, and considerate husband and father; he was a gentleman through and through, and a loyal friend to his associates. But above all he was an American patriot, a West Pointer, and a soldier. He was born to the Army, and can never leave it.

Hamilton H. Howze, brother

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Charles Clifford Sloane, Jr.

NO. 7957 CLASS OF 1926

Died 10 January 1982 in Menlo Park, California, aged 79 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

No foot will ever trod The Plain at West Point with more pride or fealty. And yet the fulfillment of that desire and dream seemed almost out of reach at one time. Charles Clifford Sloane, Jr. was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, to parents that felt Princeton University was a more suitable institution for

Charles Clifford Sloane, Jr.

one to receive his education. "Chin," as he was later known, did not see his future with the same eye.

Early in his life, his parents had moved to Newburgh, New York. From their multi-acre estate that overlooked the Hudson River it was easy to see not only Hyde Park, but where the river made its final turn toward West Point. There is no doubt that the very proximity of the Military Academy had a profound influence on this future colonel. World War I had just ended. Charles wanted the opportunity to enter West Point, regardless of the wishes of his family. But the family would offer no help or assistance. Selling his bicycle produced sufficient funds for him to purchase a train ticket to Washington, D.C., where he went to see a friend of the family, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States.

It was, at this moment, that Woodrow Wilson became ill and had left the capital. Unable to see the President, Charles had only sufficient funds to return as far as New York City. There he enlisted in the United States Army at Governor's Island in a program that ultimately led to an appointment at the United States Military Academy. In 1921, Charles C. Sloane, Jr. stood on The Plain at West Point and was administered the oath as a new cadet. But all was not easy academically, and graduation came only after five years.

At his first post, Plattsburgh Barracks, New York, he met and married Emma Dean Nichols, the year 1927. The next few years were spent at Schofield Barracks, Fort Benning, and then it was back to the 26th Infantry at Plattsburgh Barracks. This was during the time of the Civilian Conservation Corps and Citizens Military Training Camp camps. In 1936, Charles was assigned to the 33rd Infantry at Fort Clayton, Canal Zone, and in 1938, the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. Nineteen thirty-nine found him as a company commander in the 15th Infantry at Fort Lewis. War seemed imminent, and the peacetime draft was underway.

As aide de camp to General Charles F. Thompson, the next move was to Fort Jackson during the summer of 1941. Shortly after war was declared orders came that assigned him to Oxford University in England for training in their military intelligence school. The invasion of North Africa found Charles as G-2 to General Mark Clark and eventually G-2 of Allied Force Headquarters and 15th Army Group.

After the war came tours at Fort Bragg and Fort Riley. It was at Fort Riley that Colonel Sloane developed the concept of the Aggressor force to fully enhance Army preparedness and overall capability. Various maneuvers took place at Fort Riley, Vieques Island, and Fort Bragg to test the concept. The Aggressor concept is still in use today.

In 1949, Colonel Sloane was made regimental commander of the 9th Infantry, at Fort Lewis. In 1950, his regiment was sent to Korea. Although promoted to a staff position for a short period of time, he was reassigned to command the regiment because of his experience. It is well to note that integration of the black soldier, in combat, took place in the 3rd Battalion of the 9th Infantry. As was stated on television by Lieutenant General Julius Becton, in a series entitled, "The Different Drummer: Blacks in the Military" . . . "because our original commander, a Colonel C. C. Sloane, a very pragmatic, good leader . . . made it clear that when we started taking casualties or started getting replacements, he didn't give a damn what color they were; as he put it, 'put them where they are needed!' "

Colonel Sloane's military career ended at Fort Bragg in 1956 as a result of injuries sustained while serving his country. His last official duty was to serve on the Joint Tactical Air Support Board. A career that spanned more than thirty years ended as it began, on a parade ground of an Army post. His privilege was to serve, not only with the Eisenhowers, the Clarks, the Field Marshal Montgomerys, and others, but more specifically with the soldiers and officers of the 9th Infantry. While many revered him as their commander, no less reverence was returned in kind.

This man, this soldier . . . be he dressed in cadet gray, or Army blue, marched to the drummer all his life . . . a true personification of what the military meant and means, even today. And it is with the feeling of his family that the voice of Colonel Sloane, a former member of the chapel choir, can still be heard whenever "The Corps" is rendered in the Chapel high above The Plain where it all began. . . .

Charles is survived by his wife, a son, and three granddaughters. Mrs. Sloane lives at 600 Sharon Park Drive, C-304, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

Charles C. Sloane, Son

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Thomas Edward de Shazo

NO. 7980 CLASS OF 1926

Died 16 May 1979 in Mariana, Florida, aged 80 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

Tommy de Shazo lived his life in full measure. He was a man of great diversity: a compassionate, kind and generous person who showed freely his full-hearted love of family, friends and associates. With equal devotion he served his country with dedication and patriotic fervor in a brilliant military career. A true soldier's soldier, he rose to outstanding success as a general among generals in his beloved Field Artillery. An eloquent reflection of the feelings of those who knew Tommy well is expressed in these words of his dear wife of 53 years, Olive Gertrude Sharrett, fondly called "Babe" by Tommy,

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THOMAS EDWARD DE SHAZO

his One and Only whom he had courted during his cadet days and married on graduation day: "Tommy's character had many facets. Proof was the many different things friends remembered him for when they wrote me after his death. So many people remembered little kindnesses . . . it was the letters with memories of his kindness that touched my heart even more than those extolling his career. I am proud of his career but more precious is a man's love of his fellow men."

Thomas Edward de Shazo was reared on an Alabama farm. He retained throughout his lifetime the down-to-earth, realistic and practical characteristics of that upbringing. While still in high school, with patriotic zeal and youthful yen for adventure, Tommy joined the United States Cavalry with Pershing's Mexican border campaign against Pancho Villa, then served in France as a scout corporal in the 117th Field Artillery Regiment before returning to finish high school. From 1920 to 1922 he attended Marion Military Institute, then entered West Point with the Class of 1926. Having served in the Field Artillery in World War I, Tommy retained throughout cadet days the thought of one day becoming an officer in that branch. This latent desire suddenly burst into full bloom during field artillery drill as a First Classman. A roommate wrote: "Tommy was driving the lead 4-line team pulling gun and caisson on the final swing around the Cavalry Plain. The instructor put the column into a full gallop and Tommy responded with excited shouts. From then on it was *only* the Field Artillery for Tommy de Shazo—for him thereafter the caissons were rolling along, and he kept them rolling throughout a highly successful career as an unabashedly enthusiastic artilleryman, a career encompassing the full range from battery officer to Commanding General of the Artillery and Missile Center—Commandant of the Artillery and Missile School."

Tommy's first assignment after graduating from the United States Military Academy in 1926 was to the 12th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston. Tommy Jr. was born there in October 1927; he also was to have a career as a Field Artillery officer. Tom's second assignment was at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii, where daughter Anne was born in September 1930. He then went to the Battery Officers' Course at Fort Sill; next to Assistant G3 of First Army; thence to the Philippines, Fort Stotsenberg and Camp Hay at Baguio; then to Fort Knox in 1940 as World War II approached. In 1941 he attended the Command & General Staff College, then went back to Fort Knox as Assistant Artillery Officer in Headquarters Armored Force where he pioneered development of the first armored artillery battalions, preparing organizational and tactical concepts and field manuals. In 1942 he took command of the 69th Field Artillery Battalion, then became Artillery Commander of the 6th Armored Division at newly activated Camp Chaffee.

Given command of the 6th Armored Field Artillery Group in late 1942, he guided the Group through an intensive training period and in July of 1943 took it to North Africa. He then led the Group through the arduous campaigns of North Africa, Italy, and Southern France. A classmate wrote: "Colonel Tommy de Shazo commanded, and well commanded, the 6th Field Artillery Group attached to II Corps during some of the hardest fighting in Italy at Cassino and in the offensive which finally captured Rome. Famous for close support, on advances the Group's batteries often moved ahead of the infantry. At the infamous Rapido River repulse the Group held the front line while retreating forces moved through it to the rear. . . . Two II Corps attached mule battalions of mountain artillery were placed beside 6th Group for a flanking movement at Terracina; the Group's armored vehicles so completely outmaneuvered the mules through the mountain passes that the mule battalions were simply in the way." Another wrote: "Tommy's Group went from the breakout at Anzio on up to the Po River without losing a vehicle—a record for an armored unit."

From 1944 to 1947 Tom was Assistant Commandant of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, incorporating into the curriculum valuable lessons learned from his combat experience. Daughter Elizabeth was born at Fort Sill in July 1947. Tommy next went to Turkey as Artillery Officer for the United States Military Mission at Ankara. While there he helped establish the Turkish Field Artillery School. In 1950 he was assigned to the Pentagon as Chief of the Policy Planning Branch in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations. Next, with the war on in Korea, Tom was sent there as IX Corps Artillery Commander, then was assigned as 2nd Division Artillery Commander and promoted to brigadier general. Doing an outstanding job in this position, he was given command of the 2nd Division. Upon return to the United States he was made Commanding General of the 11th Airborne Division Artillery at Fort Campbell, went to jump school and qualified as a parachutist. Promoted to major general, he was assigned to Paris in 1953 as Chief of the Military Assistance Advisory Group.

In 1956 General de Shazo returned to his beloved Fort Sill in the most desirable assignment of all, the culmination of his dreams, in the position recognized as being held by the most competent Field Artillery general officer—the Commanding General of the Artillery & Guided Missile Center and Commandant of the Artillery & Guided Missile School. Tommy foresaw that the advent of surface-to-surface missiles required major changes in long standing doctrine, a transition which he then carried out. In 1959 Tommy was named Deputy Commanding General of the Third Army. He retired in 1960 and was immediately employed by the State Department as the military member of a team evaluating United States foreign aid programs, traveling to Pakistan, Taiwan, and elsewhere on inspection trips. Tom's military decorations include two Distinguished Service Medals, the Legion of Merit, the Silver Star, the Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal, and decorations from France (Legion d'Honneur, Croix de Guerre with Silver Star, Croix de Guerre with Palm) and from Italy (Bronze Cross and Decree of Meritorious Valor).

This recital of Tom de Shazo's illustrious military career only begins to reveal the breadth and depth of the man. Paramount in his life was love of family—his wife, "Babe," his three children, and his grandchildren. He was everyone's friend, a congenial comrade-in-arms. He enjoyed all people, all places, all of his jobs, also retirement, and brought enthusiasm and camaraderie to everything he did. An avid outdoorsman, he loved to fish and hunt, played golf; but gave up any or all of these pastimes for years at a time if duty or family responsibilities called. Tom was an incomparable story teller with a vast array of jokes and anecdotes to which he gave a special touch of humor that would lighten any occasion. At monthly Class luncheons in Washington he would regale his classmates with hilarious tales, then would wind up with "Now here is one that's ok to take back home and tell your wives!" His genuine interest in people of all ages gave him a "way" with children which delighted them, such as when he took time out from his busy schedule as Commanding General at Fort Sill to judge a children's backyard pet show.

Both before and after retirement Tommy was active in civic affairs. While at Fort Sill he was president of the Isaac Walton League, and was instrumental in expanding Fish & Wildlife Association activities, instituting an energetic program for wildlife preservation. Years ahead of his time in honoring the American Indian and in emphasizing their historic role, he restored their overgrown cemeteries and honored them at ceremonies on frequent occasions. The Comanche, Kiowa, and other tribes reciprocated warmly. He was made honorary Chief of the Kiowa Tribe by Chief Hunting Horse. Tommy was a leader in significantly expanding the Fort Sill Artillery Museum. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Oklahoma Historical Society, an active supporter of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and helped organize the Lawton-Sill Chapter of the American Association for the United Nations, becoming its honorary president. With "Babe" he belonged to the Episcopal Church and joined in church activities.

At West Point Tommy was on the football squad and polo team, was manager for boxing, participated in Hundredth Night shows and Color Lines (where he was known for his "silver voice"), was a member of the choir, a rifle and pistol sharpshooter, member of the Beast Detail, and first sergeant. Widely known in the Corps for his keen sense of humor and high good nature, even the plebes liked "Mr. de Shazo, T. E., Sir!"

Active to the day he died, the end came suddenly for Tommy on 16 May 1979. His beloved wife "Babe" wrote to friends: "We were driving back from Alabama when Tommy was stricken with a heart attack and died in Mariana, Florida. He went quickly and without pain. I am comforted that he was spared a long illness. Our children and grandchildren rallied round and lightened the darkest moments, as did our loving friends. We little knew that last Christmas when we had such a glorious reunion with our children and grandchildren that it would be the last one for Tommy. The greatest comfort

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has been that a few months before his death, Tommy had a spiritual awakening. He left us knowing that death is not the end. . . ."

Olive S. de Shazo, wife

Thayer Stevens Olds

NO. 8332 CLASS OF 1928

Died 12 December 1983 in Fort Walton Beach, Florida, aged 79 years.

Ashes spread on waters of Gulf of Mexico

THAYER STEVENS OLDS

THAYER OLDS WAS BORN in Orwell, Ohio, 9 July 1904, son of Hal and Amarette Olds. His early life was in the countryside of Ohio; high school in Warren and then one year at Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio. He liked to remember the early years when he could ride his bike for miles around, go fishing, hiking, and camping.

Thayer entered the United States Military Academy in 1924 where his cadet life was characteristic of his career. An outward quietness, reserve, and dignity belied his craving for knowledge and an ability to make the best of most situations. His ambition was to fly, so after graduation in 1928 he repaired to Brooks Field, Texas, for flight training. After receiving his pilot wings in October 1929, he was ordered to Selfridge Field, Michigan, home of the famous, or infamous, 1st Pursuit Group.

Thayer's adventures with the 1st Pursuit Group included a bail-out over Lake Erie enroute to the Cleveland Air Races in 1931. He calmly picked a spot where he could walk ashore. He also participated in the Army Air Corps experience in carrying the mail, March-May 1934.

In the succeeding years, 1934-1941, as he himself described it, Thayer "was assigned pleasant squadron duties on pleasant Army Air Corps flying fields" which included Albrook, Canal Zone; Barksdale, Louisiana; Moffett, California; and Hamilton, California, where he assumed command of the 14th Pursuit Group which was later moved to March Field, California. It was here that the pleasant duties ended in 1941, with command of the air defenses of Southern California. Thayer's next move took the 14th Pursuit Group to England in June 1942 and then, with the invasion of North Africa, to Algeria.

During 1943-1944 he served as Air Member of the Joint War Plans Committee, Joint Chiefs of Staff. In 1944-1945 he organized and trained the 301st Fighter Wing, which in early 1945 took off for the Pacific Theater and was based in the Ryukyus. He participated in fighter escort missions of B-29s and fighter sweeps from the Ryukyus to Japan. He next commanded the 7th Fighter Command from 1945 to 1946, then became Chief of Staff, 20th Air Force, on Guam for a year. On his return to Washington, D.C., in the summer of 1947 he became Chief of Strategy Branch, Assistant Chief of Staff (Plans), United States Air Force.

In July 1949 Thayer returned to command assignments, first with the 307th Bomb Wing at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, and in 1951 as Commander of the 40th Air Division at Turner Air Force Base, Georgia. It was in this period that he led a flight of twenty F-84 Thunderjets from Albany, Georgia, nonstop, to Lakenheath, England, with air refueling. Thayer's last assignment was Commander of the 26th Air Division, Eastern Air Defense Force, Roslyn, New York. Brigadier General Olds retired from active duty 31 July 1967. His decorations included the Distinguished Flying Cross, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Air Medal, Bronze Star, and French Croix de Guerre with palm.

After retirement, Thayer began a four-year course of training at Florida State University and attained a Master's Degree in Geology in 1961. He was employed as a consultant in ground water hydrology with the firm of Wm. F. Guyton and Associates in Austin, Texas, from 1963 to 1967. In 1975 the Olds moved to their home in Santa Rosa Beach, Florida.

Many trips were made to Austin and then to San Antonio to visit their daughter Kathryn Falconer and friends. On one of these visits Thayer's knowledge of geology was called upon to explain the derivation of the castellated landscape in western Texas. His response was typical. No extemporaneous explanations were offered; he supplied a book that fully described the history and causes for this peculiar geological area.

Thayer was afflicted with a series of debilitating ailments beginning in 1980 that resulted in his death at Fort Walton Beach, Florida, on 12 December 1983. His ashes were spread on the waters of the Gulf, an old companion.

Survivors include his wife of fifty-three years, Dorris LaVanture; three children, Marian, John, and Kathryn; a sister, Jeanette Olds Shoup; and eight grandchildren.

Thayer was not the pictured "fighter jock," although he spent most of his career flying fighters and commanding fighter units. He loved to fly the fighter birds, and he did: P-12, P-51, Spitfire, Mosquito, Moth, and the later jets—F-84, F-86, and F-101. As epitomized in *High Flight* by John Gillespie Magee, Jr., he

". . . topped the wind swept heights where
never lark or even eagle flew.
And, with silent, lifting mind [he] trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out [his] hand, and touched the face of
God."

Family and Friends.

Raymond Leslie Hill

NO. 8488 CLASS OF 1929

Died 5 November 1982 in Little Switzerland, North Carolina, aged 78 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina

RAYMOND LESLIE HILL

"AN OFFICER AND A GENTLEMAN." In one phrase, there could be described Ray Hill. As an officer, he was brilliant and effective. He needed no Act of Congress to make him a gentleman; he was one by nature and by deed.

Ray was born in Oakland, California, on 17 September 1904. He graduated from high school at the tender age of sixteen, making two honorary societies and winning letters in four sports. He then enlisted in the 3d United States Engineers in Hawaii to enter the West Point Preparatory School, from which he graduated to enter West Point in 1925.

For four years he wore the gold star of a Distinguished Cadet. Amazingly, he found time from his *academic tour de force* to make the varsity teams of football, soccer, and rifle, to sing in the choir and glee club, and to participate in the production of the HOWITZER. He was noted at the Academy as a superior intellectual with unlimited resources of energy, combined with marked modesty which made him an ideal companion. In 1929 he graduated as second man in his Class, chose the Corps of Engineers, and began his service at Fort Lewis, Washington.

During his early years of service he earned his Civil Engineering degree at the University of California, Berkeley, graduated from the Engineer School, United States Army, and served as company commander with the 2d Engineers at Fort Logan. From 1935 to 1939 he did his Reserve Officers' Training Corps duty as assistant and then associate professor of Military Science at the Colorado School of Mines and was made honorary member of the Scabbard and Blade Society. In 1939 he received his promotion to captain and had a brief indoctrination into the civil works of the Corps of Engineers when, with the beginning of World War II in Europe, he was returned to troops as company commander of the 6th Engineer Combat Battalion at Fort Lewis, Washington. Soon afterward the bat-

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talion left for six months maneuvers with the 6th Division, and it was during this time that I became acquainted with his sterling qualities.

In 1941, while I commanded the battalion at Fort Riley, I received a call from the office of the Chief of Engineers, stating that a very vital command was being formed in the Newfoundland-Greenland area, and a highly qualified officer was needed to assume the demanding engineering duties involved. Could I spare the Captain Hill whom I had rated so highly in his latest efficient report? It would mean immediate promotion to major and then lieutenant colonel. With great personal reluctance I agreed, and Ray left to become Base Engineer of the New Foundland Base Command.

This command, established on the brink of war, was of the utmost importance in the critical warfare against the devastating effects of the German submarine efforts to bring England to her knees. Its mission was to construct air fields, ammunition depots, maintenance facilities, seaplane bases, a multitude of navigational aids and a host of kindred projects needed to provide protection for the marine convoys on the first half of their perilous journey across the Atlantic. The area of activities included Newfoundland, Greenland, Labrador, and the Arctic. So completely did the engineering mission dominate the command that Ray, in addition to his engineering duties, was appointed G-3 of the Base Command. His duties encroached on the diplomatic area as he drafted agreements between the American and Canadian governments for the defense of convoys en route to Europe.

In 1944, having assisted in ridding the Atlantic of the submarine menace, Ray was ordered to the Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia as executive officer of the Department of Weapons and Tactics. From there he was sent to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, and upon graduation returned to Fort Belvoir to become Chief of the General Subjects Department. He received his well deserved promotion at this time, and was requested by the Southern Base Command in England for duty in connection with invasion activities. But the armies in both the European Theater and the Pacific Theater were clamoring for trained engineer troops, and Ray was sent to Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, to train thousands of recruits as engineer specialists for combat zones.

About that time he married Gladys Rainey, always known as "Sissy" to her many admirers, a true Southern Belle from Salisbury, North Carolina. The happy and lasting marriage produced two brilliant and lovely daughters, Sally and Mary. Sally earned her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and is on the staff at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, and Mary has a Master's Degree in Psychiatric Social Work and is heavily involved in her professional work in Savannah.

In 1945, with the war still raging in Europe, Ray was flown to France to assume command of the 1173 Engineer Combat Group and of the Engineer School and Center, European Theater of Operations, at Epernay, France. His duties were as varied as they were important, including reorganizing Engineer units for construction operations in the Southwest Pacific. His impact on the city was great. They awarded him the Silver Medal Honorary Membership of Epernay, which, coupled with the Distinguished Unit recognition earned by his command and his Bronze Star, testified to his accomplishments.

Ray remained in Europe until 1948, first commanding another Engineer Group in the Occupation Forces, and then serving as Port Engineer for the Bremerhaven Port of Embarkation. He was involved in the construction of airfields used in the Berlin Air Lift. Returning to the United States in 1948, he did a stint with the Air Force, and in 1950 graduated from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. After serving two years with the Research and Development Board of the Department of Defense, in 1953 he was appointed District Engineer of the Wilmington, North Carolina District, where the usual river and harbor work was dominated by the construction of the immense ammunition terminal there and military and airfield construction at Fort Bragg and throughout the District.

Ray closed his distinguished career as the Engineer, United States Army, Caribbean, a job that embraced a multitude of construction projects throughout the entire Caribbean area. His manifold responsibilities embraced areas as far flung as the Panama Canal and Puerto Rico.

Ray voluntarily retired in 1958 to accept a very responsible position as general manager of a large marine construction company whose projects embraced the Atlantic Seaboard and South America. In 1970 he retired from all gainful occupations to devote his time to his family, his church, and community activities in Savannah and his mountain home in Little Switzerland, North Carolina.

Ray's publications included numerous papers on various engineering subjects. His decorations included the Bronze Star, the Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Silver Medal of Honorary Membership of Epernay, France.

It has been my privilege to have known Ray Hill briefly through his service years and extensively during his years of retirement. I have never known an officer more representative of the ideals of West Point. I have never known a man more true to the code of a gentleman. And I have never known a friend whose loss I mourn more deeply.

Paschal N. Strong, '22.

Louis Anderson Hammack

NO. 8691 CLASS OF 1929

Died 30 November 1975 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 72 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas

In West Point's last wrestling match of the 1927-1928 season, cadet fans worried. It looked as if the captain of the Army wrestling team, the best wrestler West Point had produced in years, undefeated in a string of bouts reaching back four seasons, was losing. The hands of the wrestling timer, hanging from the balcony in the Old East Gym, raced toward zero. Time seemed to be running out on Cadet Lou Hammack.

Probably only one person in the huge room realized what was going on. Army's wrestling coach, Tom Jenkins, former heavyweight world's champion wrestler, snorted, "Hammack! Quit playin' 'round!"

The crowd, rooting for Lou, roared. With one minute to go, Lou, 6'1", 195 pounds of steel, shouldered his opponent from Yale like a sack of corn and said, "What must I do with him, Tom?"

"Throw him!"

Louis Anderson Hammack

Lou crashed and pinned his man. Fans and teammates mobbed him, but not Mr. Jenkins. He lumbered off, grumbling, "Hammack let that fat boy from Yale escape ten times! I'll never speak to him again!" But in a week Tom forgave playful Lou when West Point received an invitation for Hammack to be a member of the 1928 United States Olympic Wrestling Team. Lou received a "major A" for not losing a bout during his entire cadet career.

Lou was an original, one of the most popular cadets ever to wear the gray. Like Tom Sawyer he could throw in the unusual touches. For instance, when a doctor prescribed bad-tasting medicine for one of his roommates, G. A. Lincoln, Lou threw him to the floor and made him take it. And Lincoln adored him. His other roommate, W. H. Greear, states, "Lou's friendship was one of the finest things of my life."

Lou hailed from rural southeastern Virginia. At an early age he knew that the life of the tobacco planter held no attraction for him. Two West Point AEF veterans, Major E. O. Sarratt and Lieutenant Colonel F. E. Williford, sharpened his thoughts about military life. Sarratt tutored Lou when he was in high school, and Williford, Commandant of Cadets at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, interested himself in this vigorous young football player and wrestler. Both recognized leadership in Lou. In 1924 Congressman P. H. Drewery presented Lou with a principal appointment.

Hammack loved cadet life except instruction in English. In his Yearling year difficulty with that subject caused the Academic Board to "suggest" that he take the five-year course.

Hammack starred in football, a hard-fighting guard on the winning Army teams of 1925-1928, inclusive. He relished the clash of lacrosse and collected an amazing number of major and minor A's. He earned the coveted Army Athletic Association's sabre as the outstanding athlete in his Class.

It was fun to go to Cullum Hall and see Lou dance. In his form-fitting full dress coat, with its gold lieutenant chevrons and red sash as Senior Hop Manager, he was spectacular. However, nothing turned Lou's head; he was respected for his modesty.

After graduation Lou served in the 30th Infantry, Presidio of San Francisco, and became player-coach on the West Coast Army Football Team. After graduating from the

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Company Officers' Course at Fort Benning, he traveled to the United States Naval Academy to train with the Navy wrestling team for the Olympics.

Although Lou won the National Amateur Wrestling Championship of the United States in the heavyweight class in 1932, he was declared ineligible for the Olympics because he had coached the YMCA wrestling team in Columbus, Georgia. He took his gold championship medal and his disappointment to Hawaii to serve with the 27th Infantry.

In Hawaii Lou met, wooed, and won the love of attractive and vivacious Marilu Leedom, whose father was stationed there. Lou settled into marriage as if he had always been a married man. In due time two sons were born, Louis Robert and James Chester.

After another tour at Fort Benning with the 29th Infantry, he was assigned to the Tank School. As soon as the Armored branch was conceived, he transferred. He loved to say, "I'm a charter member of the 2d Armored Division."

Soon after Pearl Harbor, Lou assumed command of the 751st Tank Battalion. He put his stamp on it; it became *his* battalion. This unit fought in the retaking of the Kasserine Pass and through the African and Italian campaigns. At the time of the breakout from the Anzio beachhead, Lou was recalled to the Armored Center and in five months he became G-3 Armor in the Field Forces.

An example of his leadership was evident in Africa when the 751st fought as part of the 34th Division. In an attack on the shores of the Mediterranean, Lou's 59 tanks, with 3 companies of infantry, advanced on flat ground, Lou in center position in the lead tank. Enemy AP shells broke the treads of a nearby tank and smashed the turret of another, killing three members of its crew. Lou thought he saw the enemy—a camouflaged anti-tank gun seventy-five yards away. Lou charged. Fortunately, the Germans had fled their gun. He set the example for his 751st.

In 1947 Lou received orders to Turkey as part of an initial group to activate the military mission. Lou's wrestling background helped him and our country. Wrestling was a popular sport; the only Olympic gold medal ever won by Turkey was in wrestling. Lou formed an instant bond with General Saim ÖnHon, Chief of Armor, who had been to the Olympics on the Turkish Equitation Team. The net result was a change to new tanks, new weapons, and new tactics with a minimum of friction. The successful performance of Turkish tank units in the Korean War can be traced to Lou's superior work.

After his second tour with the 2nd Armored, a tour with US Army Europe in Heidelberg, and a stint at Fourth Army Headquarters in San Antonio, Lou retired after 30 years' rugged service. He worked with an investment company, with the Admissions Board at United States Military Academy, and at the Post Chapel, Fort Sam Houston.

On 30 November 1975, after watching the Army-Navy game on TV and then playing golf, Lou suffered a massive coronary in his sleep. This was the uncomplicated end of a true soldier and marvelous competitor.

—Friends of Louis A. Hammack

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Samuel Roth

NO. 8958 CLASS OF 1930

Died 3 January 1955 in Walter Reed Army Hospital, aged 50 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

SAMUEL ROTH

SAMUEL ROTH WAS BORN in New York City on 10 November 1905, the son of Louis and Dora Schwartz Roth. He attended grammar and high school in New York.

Sam joined the Regular Army and was stationed at Fort Shafter, Territory of Hawaii. While there, he took a competitive examination and was appointed to the Military Academy. Upon graduation he was commissioned a second lieutenant of Infantry and detailed to the Army Air Corps. He attended Primary Flying School at March Field, California, from 16 October 1930 to 5 January 1931. He next was assigned to the 18th Infantry at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island, New York. Following that assignment Sam attended the basic course at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, and then went to Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii, for duty with the 35th Infantry. After two years in Hawaii, Sam was again assigned to Fort Benning as a company commander in the 24th Infantry. During this tour Sam took jump training and then served with the 88th Infantry Airborne Battalion at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. From October 1942 to January 1943 Sam was on detail to Headquarters, United States Army Forces in the Middle East, in Cairo, Egypt. When he returned to the United States he had a series of assignments with glider infantry units, first to the 88th Glider Infantry at Fort Meade, South Dakota, then to Camp Mackall, North Carolina, with the 326th Glider Infantry and then back to the 88th Glider Infantry. Sam's promotion to colonel came in October 1944, and he was then assigned to the 13th Airborne Division in Europe. After V.E. Day Sam was assigned to the 326th Glider Infantry at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 1946 Sam attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Fort McNair, Washington, D.C. Then a three-year tour as Deputy Commander of European Command was followed by assignment as professor of Military Science and Tactics at West Virginia University, in Morgantown, West Virginia. In 1953 Sam was assigned as Commander, Camp Fuji, Japan. It was during this tour that he became ill and was evacuated to Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, D.C.

Sam was an excellent officer. He was studious, quiet, and very considerate of others. During the final field exercise of the 1938-39 Basic Infantry Course, the students were assigned to companies of the 29th and 24th Infantry Regiments. It was my good fortune to be assigned to Sam's company. He was an excellent company commander; the men of his company thought very highly of their company commander.

The President of West Virginia University was so impressed with Sam's ability as professor of Military Science and Tactics that he requested Sam's tour of duty be extended a year. In addition, Sam was instrumental in the establishment of a Reserve Officers' Training Corps program at Potomac State College, Keyser, West Virginia. At a later date the college honored Sam by establishing an Honor Group known as the Roth Military Honorary Society for men who had done outstanding work in military science.

On 4 May 1931 Sam and Nancy Halpern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Halpern, Brooklyn, New York, were married at the home of the bride's parents. Sam is survived by his wife, Nancy; two sons, David and Robert; and four grandchildren.

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Robert Hackett

NO. 9073 CLASS OF 1931

Died 5 October 1983 in Colorado Springs, Colorado, aged 73 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

ROBERT HACKETT

ROBERT HACKETT WAS BORN in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 19 December 1909. After attending Frankford High School in Philadelphia, he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. Upon

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graduation in 1931, he was commissioned a second lieutenant of Field Artillery.

During the first nine years of his military career Bob served in varying capacities including that of battery commander in artillery units in the United States and in the Philippine Islands. This was a period of transition for the Field Artillery and Bob gained experience in a variety of unit types: horse-drawn, pack, tractor-drawn, and motorized. In the first three years there was also duty, for months at a time, with the CMTC and the Civilian Conservation Corps.

From 1940 until 1944, initially he was an instructor in the Department of Physics, United States Military Academy, and later became assistant professor. In early 1944, he served in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, United States Army Forces in the Far East, with successive stations in Australia, New Guinea, and the Southern Philippines. He remained with that headquarters in its new role as General Headquarters, United States Armed Forces Pacific, with successive headquarters in Manila, the Philippine Islands, and Tokyo, Japan. During the foregoing period, he participated in the New Guinea, Southern Philippines, and Luzon campaigns and was connected with the organization responsible for the recovery of our prisoners of war from the Japanese prison camps. Later he was responsible for the general supervision of the readjustment program which returned our troops from the Asiatic theaters of war to the United States.

In 1946 Bob served in Headquarters Second Army, at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, and in 1948 in the Budget Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Army, in the Pentagon. During the next three years he was engaged in the budgetary planning for the Department of the Army and was Secretary of the Budget Advisory Committee of the Department of the Army. In 1951 he became a Special Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, on international security and economic affairs. Following that, he attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. In 1953, Bob was chosen to be Deputy Comptroller, Headquarters, United States Army Europe, in Heidelberg, Germany, and in 1954, he was appointed as Comptroller, serving in that capacity until 1957. In September 1955, while serving as Comptroller, he was promoted to brigadier general. From 1951 until 1957, he was closely associated with the various studies concerning the economic impact on the member nations of NATO caused by the rebuilding of their forces. In addition, throughout the period he was continuously engaged in all of the negotiations with the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the costs of rebuilding their forces as well as their contributions toward the maintenance of the occupying powers and later the Allied Forces in Germany.

In July 1957, Bob became the Commanding General of the Division Artillery of the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. He returned to the mainland in July 1959 to assume command of the 56th Artillery Brigade (Air Defense) which provided the Nike Ajax and Hercules defense of the Boston-Providence area, and of Loring Air Force Base, Maine. In June 1960, he was ordered to Fort Totten, New York, and placed in command of the 1st Region, United States Army Air Defense Command, which was responsible for the Nike defense of the East Coast from Virginia to Maine and Buffalo-Niagara to the eastern tip of Long Island, New York, including Thule, Greenland. In August 1960 he was promoted to major general.

On 15 July 1962, General Hackett joined the Office of the Comptroller of the Army and became Director of the Army Budget on 1 August 1962, which position he held until August 1963.

In August 1963, Bob was promoted to lieutenant general and continued to serve in the Pentagon in the position of Comptroller of the Army.

On 1 August 1966, Bob assumed command of the United States Army Air Defense Command at Ent Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, Colorado, an assignment he held until he retired 30 June 1968. After his retirement he was active in the community as vice president and advisory director of the Fort Carson National Bank. He was also a member of the Broadmarket Square Library Board and of the Broadmoor Water Board.

Bob was the recipient of several decorations including two Distinguished Service Medals and the Legion of Merit.

He married Barbara Ann Albright in 1935 in Leavenworth, Kansas, and was very devoted as husband to her and as father to their three daughters. Although his military duties kept him away for many long periods, he did his best to keep in touch by letters and telephone calls, and was always enthusiastic and supportive of any of his family's interests and accomplishments.

After his retirement he had more time to indulge in some of his many varied interests—from horseback riding to going to plays, playing bridge, reading and gardening, and he took great pride in his gourmet cooking.

He will be sadly missed by his friends and acquaintances as well as by his wife and daughters, Cynthia Patterson of Melbourne, Florida, Judy Brodhead of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Pamela Rosenberg of Ithaca, New York. Other survivors include his sister, Mrs. Walter Ballin of San Diego, California, a sister-in-law, Mrs. William Hackett of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and several nieces and nephews.

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William Russell Huber

NO. 9467 CLASS OF 1932

Died 19 August 1983 in Fairfax County, Virginia, aged 73 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

DISTINGUISHED ARMY OFFICER, capable lawyer, devoted father and grandparent, great-grandparent, loyal friend, probably best describe the life of William Russell Huber, Class of 1932, West Point, who died at Fairfax County Hospital 19 August 1983.

Bill, as he was best known to his classmates and friends, was born at Linton, Indiana, 3 November 1910. Bill's appointment to West Point was a unique achievement. The representative of his congressional district solicited the school superintendents in his district in Indiana and asked for nominations for his one appointment to the Academy. The competition was not small. Based upon Bill's superintendent's glowing recommendation, Bill won hands down. He personified our nation's motto: "E Pluribus Unum."

Assigned to the Field Artillery on graduation, he was detailed to the Army Air Corps, graduated from their Primary Flying School at Randolph Field, Texas, and later as Bill said, "Just as they were about to pin on my Pursuit Aviation Wings at Kelly Field, Texas,

WILLIAM RUSSELL HUBER

the Army Air Corps medics said because of a physical defect I would not be able to stand flying service." He returned to the Field Artillery with his bride, Vera Little, of San Antonio, at El Paso, Texas. He then, probably to the great surprise of the Army Air Corps medics, successfully withstood two weeks of mounted maneuvers.

After duty at various Field Artillery stations he was, in 1939, detailed in the Ordnance Corps and assigned to the first Aviation Ordnance Class at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. Upon graduation he stood first in his class and received a commendation from Colonel Harold J. Conway, West Point Class of 1921, Director of the School of Aviation Ordnance. Again, and later for his wartime Aviation Ordnance duty culminating with his service as Ordnance Officer 9th Air Force, he received another commendation from Colonel Conway, then Deputy Chief, Ordnance Military Training Division, Office Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D.C., World War II.

His most notable commendation came from his former West Point instructor, the distinguished General Maxwell Taylor, who in recommending Colonel Conway for the Ordnance Hall of Fame said, "I wish to add my appreciation to Colonel Conway, Colonel William R. Huber, Commanding Officer of my 60th Ordnance Group, Eighth Army Korea and the other Ordnance Field Service Officers who so ably supported the Army air and ground effort during World War II and the Korean Conflict."

Bill had also served under General Maxwell Taylor in his J-5 Section, Far East Command, Tokyo, Japan as well as twice in the Pentagon.

Upon retirement Colonel Huber attended George Washington University and obtained his law degree. After a successful second career as a lawyer in Vienna, Virginia, he was in his later years plagued by poor health which prevented his attending his favorite 1932 Class luncheons at Fort Myer, Virginia. Bill died 19 August 1983.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Vera; daughter, Mrs. Dorothy J. Mills; three grandchildren, two great-grandsons of Vienna, Virginia; a sister, Clara Marie Mosely, of Memphis, Tennessee; and a brother, Haseman Huber of Indiana. He was a devoted father and grandparent.

Colonel William (Bill) Russell Huber, distinguished officer, capable lawyer, and de-

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voted father and grandparent will be missed by the Class of 1932. To misquote the Bard, "The good men do lives after them."

C. M. Iseley '32; *H.J.C.* '21

Byram Arnold Bunch

NO. 9475 CLASS OF 1932

Died 17 September 1981 in Patrick Air Force Base, Florida, aged 74 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

BYRAM ARNOLD BUNCH

JENNYS TO JETS, youth in Indiana to retirement in Florida. That is one way to describe dad's coming and going and what happened in between. Why is it that there are people that can be so singularly unique in the eyes of some that a biography of any greater length becomes inadequate? As his son, he was my idol; both before his debilitating stroke in 1962 and after. For almost two years after his passing, I have groped for words to adequately portray who he was and what he meant to me and others.

Whenever I visit my mother at their Florida home, I always spend time in his den poking through his memorabilia, not in grief, but in awe of the unending spectrum of interests dad seemed to possess. His bookshelves contain volumes of information on boating, aviation, antique firearms, mathematics, languages, photography, and a host of other subjects. Amazingly, he did not just read about them, he was actively involved in all of those pursuits and more. Of course, his den reflects his first loves, the Army and West Point.

On his desk sits a diary in a remarkable state of preservation—1926-1927, when he was a flying cadet at Kelly Field. I never completely believed his stories of Texas, the Army Air Corps, and his anecdotes concerning an "underaged" trainee. The diary confirms it and also gives me a glimpse of him losing confidence, washing out when he voluntarily confesses he is 20 not 21. The diary also confirms he really did deliver ice in his hometown and fly with a barnstormer in Indiana—all that before getting his big chance and entering West Point in 1928. In another section of the shelf is his high school yearbook—New Castle Indiana, Class of 1925. Obviously a maverick in those days, he was a good student and an all-Indiana running back in football, good enough for a football scholarship to Purdue (it lasted less than a year; he had no desire to sit on the bench behind a sophomore all-American).

After West Point and the Army, his biggest passion was flying as reflected in his den. On the bottom shelf rest several photographic albums, Hawaii 1933-1936. Half the pictures are of the former "Rita L. Breen of New York City" as his new bride, the other half of Luke Field's 23rd Bombardment OB-10's; he really was a "bomber" pilot. After graduating from the Point, he had another crack at Randolph and Kelly, an Army Air Corps pilot in 1933 (lucky for me, he and mother were also married that year). Tragedy came in 1936 with tuberculosis and a medical retirement from the Army. That did not stop him from flying, however, and the circa 1943 photographs on the east wall confirm it: a Sperry senior engineering test pilot in the cockpit of a Grumman F6F, flying a Beech JRB, and finally a 1946 photo showing him flying an X-80 jet. His flight log records his last flight in 1948. Without explanation, he hangs up his wings at the grand old age of 41. More pictures on the wall: 14 years involvement with various missile and space programs. He was in charge of field test operations for the Sparrow I project, with the Sergeant missile project at White Sands and finally Cape Canaveral. With an impressive array of rocket launchings, he was Able director for Pioneer V, test director for Tiros I, and other Able star shots.

Another tragedy in 1962, a stroke that forced his second retirement. It is disquieting; dad kept records of everything, and it all ended that year. Meticulous entries stop the day before his stroke, blank pages follow. I should not feel bad, however; apparently he never did. After his stroke, he studied Braille (for no particular reason), took classes in Russian, gave lessons in Spanish. For the next 19 years his interests continued to grow until his death.

His den means a lot to me. Although I have always been close to my father, I learn something new each time I visit. Certainly, the hard facts are all there in that room; a chronology well presented: stamp albums, antique firearms, his Army riding boots, cadet chevrons, forty years of *National Geographic*, film development equipment circa 1940. All of it could be laid out in a way to chronicle his 74 years in proper order. What is not shown but can be deduced was his extreme sense of fair play, decency, concern for others, and loyalty. His love for my mother grew with each day during their 48 years of marriage. Even I could do no wrong in his eyes (a most unjustified attitude).

I will continue to miss my father dearly; the flag, the Point, horses and "Benny Haven's Oh" meant tears of emotion for him, yet laughter and good humor generally ruled his day. I am convinced there is nothing he could not have done if two illnesses twenty-seven years apart had not got in his way. With his diverse talents, drive and ability, one may think he was cheated in life. When I sit in his den, however, I would disagree. The love he had for his family, the obvious enjoyment in the experiences he had in his life, and the love and admiration he received from his friends mean success to me.

Dad enjoyed life to the fullest. What else would one want?

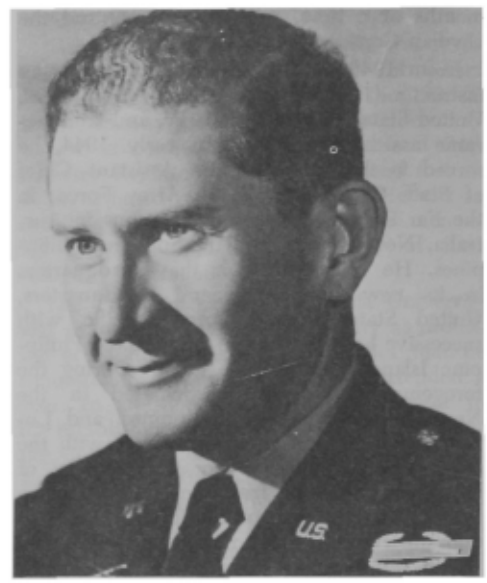
— Be Thou At Peace —

Dan Gilmer

NO. 9548 CLASS OF 1932

Died 30 May 1982 at Letterman Army Medical Center, aged 72 years.

Interment: San Francisco Presidio National Cemetery, San Francisco, California



DAN GILMER

ON 30 MAY 1982, Colonel Dan Gilmer, United States Army (Retired), who had dedicated himself to Duty, Honor, Country, died at Letterman Army Medical Center, Presidio of San Francisco, California.

Dan was born on 14 September 1909 to Maud Swilling Gilmer and Swift Gilmer in Lavonia, Georgia. He entered the Georgia Military Academy in 1925 and graduated with honors in 1927. He spent one year at Georgia Tech before entering West Point in 1928. He was proud to have graduated from the United States Military Academy with all his friends and classmates on 9 June 1932.

Dan chose the Infantry upon graduation and served the Queen of Battle faithfully in a colorful and dynamic career. His first assignment was with the 29th Infantry at Fort Benning. Following this assignment he attended and graduated from the Infantry School in 1935. On 14 September 1935 he married his sweetheart, Nana Bigelow Seeley, at Fort McPherson, Georgia.

Dan served with many distinguished men of history in his career. The first of close associations was during his assignment to the 31st Infantry in the Philippines. While there he was a staff officer for General Douglas MacArthur in 1937 and 1938. One of his proudest possessions, and with his family still is, was a letter of commendation signed by General MacArthur praising him for his work with the Philippine Army.

Dan's first son, David Seeley, was born during the Philippine Island assignment on 1 December 1937. David graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1959.

In 1938 orders returned Dan to the United States. The assignments that followed included Fort Missoula, Montana, with the 4th Infantry; the 24th Infantry at Fort Benning; and the Third Army at San Antonio, Texas.

In 1941 Dan graduated first in his class at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. After a brief return to the Third Army he went to Army Ground Forces, Fort McNair, Washington,

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D.C. Soon thereafter he went to England as Deputy Chief of Staff for General Mark Clark's II Corps. In August 1942, General Eisenhower promoted him to colonel and used Dan as his first Secretary to his Allied Forces General Staff in North Africa and England (SHAEF). Dan had many highly responsible positions during the war years exemplifying the great trust and confidence his superiors had in his abilities.

Following the war Dan was appointed in 1946 as the first Chief of Staff of the United States Army delegation to the United Nations. Additional assignments included Headquarters, Caribbean Command, Panama Canal Zone; student at the National War College, graduating in 1949; and faculty member at the Army War College.

During the Korean War Dan commanded the 7th Cavalry Regiment (Gary Owen) of the 1st Cavalry Division. Following the Korean War he was assigned as G-3, Sixth Army, Presidio of San Francisco. Following assignments at Fort Belvoir with the Command Management College and at the Pentagon, the Gilmers retired at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, on 1 August 1962, after Dan had been Chief of Staff and Deputy Commander of the XIII Corps.

Among Dan's many decorations and awards were the Combat Infantry Badge, Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star for gallantry in action in Korea, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Medal, Army Commendation Ribbon with Oak Leaf Cluster, and numerous additional United States and foreign awards, including the French Legion of Honor, Croix de Guerre, and the Greek Gold Medal for gallantry.

After retirement the Gilmers settled in San Rafael, California. Dan worked in San Francisco for a few years while enjoying his hobbies of coins, stamps, and Trans-Mississippi West Military History. He became quite an informed source on the Battle of Little Big Horn and other military plains battles.

To quote from the citation for Distinguished Service Medal issued by the War Department in 1945, "Colonel Gilmer's entire service characterized by excellent judgement, great attention to detail, and unusual organizing ability, was exemplary and contributed in important measure to the success of our Armed Forces." This quotation is as current today as it was in 1945. Dan loved West Point, military service, his country, his family, and his Heavenly Father.

He is survived by his widow, Nana, of San Rafael, sons Dr. David S. Gilmer, and Michael S. Gilmer, and their families.

You have served well. Be thou at peace.

M.S.G., son

Felix Louis Vidal

NO. 9839 CLASS OF 1933

Died 16 July 1983 in Satellite Beach, Florida, aged 70 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"He was one of the most complete commanders I ever served under. . . . I never found the moment when I couldn't call him and get something done or get a question answered," responded Barry Goldwater regarding my late father. The Senator had served under Pick, as he was known to his friends, then Director of Eastern Reserve Affairs, while the former commanded a reserve unit on Capitol Hill.

Felix Louis Vidal

Felix Louis Vidal was born 22 July 1912 in Madison, South Dakota, the youngest of Felix Sr. and Margaret Vidal's five children. He graduated from Madison High School in June 1929 and entered West Point that same summer at the age of 16. While at the Academy he played varsity football as quarterback for two years setting two unbroken gridiron records for punts returned.

Westbrook Pegler reported in the *Chicago Tribune* 5 November 1932, "Pick Vidal will never again be referred to as the kid brother of the great Gene Vidal who carried the ball for West Point in the time before the war. Henceforth, if there is any such reference at all, it will honor Gene Vidal by relating him to the great Army back of the team of 1932."

While attending the flying schools at Randolph and Kelly Fields in Texas he met and later married Sarah, his wife of 48 years. He was then assigned to Barksdale Field, Louisiana, where he served as squadron officer of the 20th Pursuit and 3rd Attack Group until 1937 when the young couple was transferred to Panama.

Their next station was Mitchel Field, New York, where Pick served as Deputy Chief of Staff and then on to Peterson Field, Colorado, as Commander of the 72nd Fighter Wing before joining the 306th Fighter Wing and thereafter the 325th Fighter Group, 15th Air Force, as Commander, Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

He was the recipient of several decorations including the Legion of Merit and Commendation Medal with cluster in 1944 and the Bronze Star and Air Medal with cluster in 1945.

Following a stint with the automobile industry, while simultaneously serving in the Air Force Reserve, Pick in 1954 was promoted to brigadier general and within the year returned to active duty as Deputy Commander for Reserve Affairs at Mitchel Air Force Base. Later he was transferred to Andrews Air Force Base as Commander of the 2nd Air Force Reserve Region until 1963.

In his retirement Pick Vidal was a past commander, Order of Daedalians, Commander of District 23, United States Power Squadron in 1983, a member of the Quiet Birdmen, Air Force Association, the West Point Society, and regional representative of South East Florida for West Point Admissions.

Pick is survived by his wife Sarah; daughter Victoria; sister Margaret Sutton; two nieces, Valerie Hewitt and Suzy Bear; and three nephews, Vance Vidal, Gore Vidal and Lloyd Jones.

Victoria Vidal, daughter

Edmund Waller Wilkes

NO. 10092 CLASS OF 1934

Died 26 June 1942 in Camp Cabanatuan, Philippine Islands, aged 30 years.

Interment: Manila

Edmund Waller Wilkes

Major Edmund W. Wilkes, fondly known by his classmates as Nanny, was born in April 1912 at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, the son of Gilbert Van Buren Wilkes, an officer of the Corps of Engineers and a 1909 graduate of West Point.

Ned's youth was typical of an Army brat, moving from post to post with his father; China (Peiping) was one of the places that he learned to know as a youngster. Little did he realize that years later he was to return to the Orient to protect United States interests there. Army life appeared to be to his liking since he accepted an appointment to West Point and entered the Academy in 1930, one of the youngest cadets in his Class. Ned made the grade despite adolescent awkwardness, and in later life he recalled fondly his experience in Plebe dancing where he was a star member of the "Elephant Squad."

Ned was hospitalized in Plebe spring as a result of a lacrosse injury. One classmate remembers him hobbling around, playfully threatening his bedridden classmates with broken bones with his cane, not always to their mutual delight.

Ned graduated in June 1934 and picked the Infantry as his branch. His first duty was at Fort Screven, Georgia, where, as a young company commander, he met his future wife, Gurney. They were married at the Cadet Chapel at West Point on 7 September 1935. Linda Janet Wilkes was born at Fort Benning in 1938, and Gurney Wilkes was born at Fort Missoula, Montana, in 1940.

Shortly after the birth of Gurney in 1940 the gnomes in Washington (as we thought of Career Management in those days) picked Ned's name for foreign service. Ned was assigned to the 31st Infantry at Quartel d'Espana in Manila, Philippine Islands, and commanded "B" Company. Ned's family came home on the USAT Republic in May, arriv-

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ing in New York on 11 June 1941. Seven short years after graduation the decks had been cleared for action in the Philippines, and, of course, it came.

In early 1941 Ned was promoted to major and was serving in that capacity when the war broke out. He, along with a small band of Americans and Filipinos, fought valiantly in the cane fields and mountains during the early part of the war, most of the time behind the Japanese lines. A former comrade-in-arms described him as "a one-man army who was never given the proper credit for what he had accomplished."

Later, Ned was on Bataan where he was hospitalized. The nurses had his shoes (about size 10-12). They refused to give them back because he wanted to get into the thick of the fighting again.

After the fall of Bataan, Ned was taken prisoner of war by the Japanese and forced, along with all the other POW's, to undergo the Death March to Camp Cabanatuan in central Luzon. There, although he survived the incredible hardships of the march, he died of diptheria on 24 June 1942.

Prior to the outbreak of the war Ned had received several commendations for his excellent work. He especially prided himself on being a recipient of one from General MacArthur, which he received just a few months before Pearl Harbor in connection with his work with the active duty training of the reserve elements of the Philippine Army. Ned was also the recipient of the Bronze Star.

Ned's final resting place is Manila. He is fondly remembered by his classmates who saw him mature at West Point from a gangling youth to a smart-looking second "looey." His memory is cherished by his wife and daughters who today, with their families, no doubt would be giving him great joy and much pride if the fortunes of war had not taken the young life of a loving father and gallant Infantryman molded in the tradition of West Point.

J. D. Lawlor, Classmate

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Geoffrey Dixon Ellerson

NO. 10232 CLASS OF 1935

Died 2 May 1983 in Tucson, Arizona, aged 82 years.

Interment: Fort Huachuca, Cemetery, Fort Huachuca, Arizona

GEOFFREY DIXON ELLERSON was born in Charlottesville, Virginia, on 1 November 1911, the son of John and Leta (Lavell) Ellerson. His father was a 1905 Virginia Military Institute graduate who served as a second lieutenant and major of infantry during two separate periods prior to World War I. His mother was the daughter of a prominent Montana businessman and rancher.

Geoff grew up on a ranch near Divide, Montana, the effect of which was to convince him that he would just as soon leave that lifestyle for others. From the very first he was an exceptional student, beginning his elementary education in a one-room country schoolhouse and completing his high school years studying under the Christian Brothers in nearby Butte, Montana. This latter experience was one of which he never tired talking, both for its humorous experiences as well as for the tales of discipline received at the hands of the good Irish brothers. Following two years at Carroll College in Helena, Montana, Geoff enlisted in the Army in 1930 and

GEOFFREY DIXON ELLERSON

was appointed to West Point from the Preparatory School at Schofield Barracks one year later.

At the Academy, he distinguished himself as a serious student, one who always had time to share his abilities with others. He was active in track, wrestling, handball, but took greatest pride in his duties as Honor Representative. Upon graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant of Field Artillery and spent the pre-war years in a series of troop assignments in Hawaii and the United States. It was while stationed at Fort Lewis that he married his wife of 46 years, Mary Frances Thomas, also of Butte, Montana.

Geoff spent World War II as the commanding officer of the 1st Field Artillery Observation Battalion. He had joined the battalion at Fort Bragg as a battery commander in 1940, but by the time they deployed in August 1942 he had assumed command. The battalion saw action in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, Southern France and into the Rhinelands. It was a matter of great pride that despite the casualties and confusion inherent in operating across a Corps front, in 28 months of combat the battalion never lost a soldier, nor had one chosen to become "lost."

Following the War, he was assigned to the Field Artillery Board at Fort Bragg, attended the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, and served two years as an advisor to the Utah National Guard. In 1951 he graduated from the Armed Forces Staff College and was then assigned to Korea. There he served first with the Korean Military Advisory Group where he played a key role in establishing the Korean Army Artillery School. Following that, from March to October 1952, he served as the Eighth United States Army Field Artillery Officer. He was then reassigned to Yokohama, Japan, for duty with G-3, Army Forces Far East.

In 1955 Geoff graduated from the Army War College and was assigned to the United States Continental Army Command at Fort Monroe, Virginia. He spent four years in the G-3 Section there before again deploying overseas for one last time. From 1959 until 1961, he served as deputy and then commanding officer of the Communications Zone base at Poitiers, France. While stationed at Poitiers, he was awarded the order of a Knight of St. Gregory, the highest honor accorded a lay member of the Catholic Church for his services to the community. In 1961 he was reassigned to Baumholder, Germany, where he concluded his overseas duty as the 8th Infantry Division Artillery Executive Officer.

In 1962, Geoff returned to the United States to become deputy commander of the United States Army Electronic Proving Ground at Fort Huachuca. In July 1965 he retired from that post with 30 years commissioned service.

Following retirement he moved to Tucson, Arizona. He attended the University of Arizona to get a Master's of Education Degree and then devoted the next twelve years of his life to teaching junior high school mathematics in South Tucson. He never stopped missing the Army, but enjoyed his second profession, delighting in the fact that his students were still of an age where he could make a difference. He did. In 1977, he retired again to travel and to enjoy with Mary the company of friends, classmates, and family in the Tucson area.

Geoff died at home on 2 May 1983 surrounded by the family he loved and which loved him so much in return. A great and faithful soldier, a devoted husband and loving father, he is survived by his wife, Mary; by his daughters, Mareleta Malloy and Ann Edwards; by his sons, John, Geoffrey, Richard, Michael and Tom; and by 13 grandchildren.

Colonel John C. Ellerson, Son

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Warren Thomas Hannum, Jr.

NO. 11298 CLASS OF 1938

Died 1 June 1983 in Bethesda, Maryland, aged 66 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

WARREN THOMAS HANNUM, JR.

WARREN THOMAS HANNUM, JR., was born to an Army family at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 10 February 1917. His father, Warren Thomas Hannum, ranked second in the Class of 1902. After a long and distinguished career in the Army Corps of Engineers, his father retired as a brigadier general in California where he served as Director of the State Department of Natural Resources. His uncle, Brigadier General Herbert Deakyne, Class of 1893, was Assistant Chief of Engineers from 1926 until his retirement. His uncle, Rieff Hannum, Class of 1914, served as a colonel of Coast Artillery. Two cousins also graduated from the United States Military Academy,

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and served in the Army. With this background, young Warren was dedicated at an early age to pursuing a military career.

Prior to entering the Academy in 1934, Warren moved with his father, mother, and sister. He attended New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell, and later Millard Preparatory School. At age seventeen he was well prepared for cadet life. Before Plebe Christmas he was in C Company, but at that time transferred to L Company to help fill the ranks depleted by exams. Athletically, he was on the track and cross country teams. Socially, he was on the Hop Committee, and participated in most activities. Academically, he met all of the requirements, but never appeared motivated to compete for higher standing. He was at home and at ease as a cadet with many friends while conforming readily to the rigorous standards in training for a military career.

Warren's Army service included combat in the Battle of the Bulge. After World War II he was a battalion commander in the 511th Airborne Regiment at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He then served in Korea, and later as senior American intelligence officer with the Allied Forces in Italy, before returning to Fort Campbell as Chief of Staff, 101 Airborne Division. From 1965 until his retirement in 1968, he was a member of the staff of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. His military honors include the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and the Legion of Merit. As a cadet and as an Army officer Warren was deliberate, thoughtful, and a good listener. His responses were direct and generally good with penetrating insights on the issues. His sharp wit was not expressed spontaneously, but through timing was invariably appropos and hard hitting. His calm quiet manner could be mistaken for aloofness or disinterest, but on the contrary, he was keenly aware and alert in all activities around him. He conscientiously maintained the highest professional standards of military service.

After retirement, Warren served as a program officer in the Operations Center of the Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP). There he drew on his military experience in various staff functions in developing policies and procedures for use in coping with natural disasters, such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, and other types of emergencies. These duties involved work at night and on weekends, with many early departures to prepare daily reports assessing current disasters. His supervisors valued his work highly and appreciated his calm, poised approach which characterized his handling of problems large and small. He focused his attention on important issues with thoroughness and sensitivity based on his careful analysis of the available information. This work continued over his years in the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as those agencies in turn became responsible for federal disaster assistance through reorganizations of the federal government. As the result of increased programs, the Operations Center became increasingly more important and more sophisticated. Until his health failed, Warren made many significant contributions in disaster assistance through his efforts as a program officer. During July and August of 1972, tropical storm Agnes devastated several northwestern counties of New York. Warren was Chief of Staff for the Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO) in the OEP Disaster Field Office there. Voluntarily working long hours, he was the vital communications link for the FCO and a steadying influence. He was concurrently precise, firm and professional; he was also gentle, compassionate and considerate in many field contacts with disaster victims. The FCO recalls that "he was a comforting, caring, and sensitive person whose sense of humor was a great leveler for those who tended to take themselves too seriously. He was universally held in high esteem by his colleagues." During the April 1974 tornadoes in eleven states he again participated actively and very effectively in the field providing disaster assistance.

During his retirement and concurrently with his Army service, Warren and his wife Trudy regularly attended Class luncheons, dinner parties, reunions, and other gatherings. He continued his deep personal interest in the Army and its traditions as well as his concern for national affairs. He became proficient in gardening, landscaping, and bird watching, in collaboration with Trudy. They enjoyed visits by their two children and their families. Each summer they gathered at the beach on the Outer Banks where Warren and Trudy spent much time with their three grandchildren.

Warren faced his final illness with characteristic courage and with thoughts mainly of the impacts on those dear to him. He was an exceptional patient who inspired doctors and attendants in providing necessary treatments. He never complained and remained optimistic under very trying circumstances. He had a deep devotion for his family and friends. With much physical effort and discomfort, he and Trudy attended our USMA '38 luncheon at Fort McNair last April. Although terminally ill, last May he insisted on going to a nearby hospital and broke the rules for visitation to see a very sick friend in intensive care. He maintained his strong will to live but soon thereafter his weakened body could no longer respond.

Warren is survived by his wife, Dorothy T. Hannum; a daughter, Cathleen H. Horne, wife of Commander Lance Horne, USN; a son, Warren Thomas Hannum III; a sister, Charlotte L. Snider; and three grandchildren. He was buried with full military honors in an impressive ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery. To all of us, Warren was an outstanding officer, classmate, and friend. We miss him and, in reflecting on our past associations, find consolation in many pleasant memories.

James L. Lewis, classmate

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Christopher Joseph Heffernan, Jr.

NO. 11607 CLASS OF 1939

Died 9 April 1942 in Bataan, aged 24 years.

Interment: Amsterdam, New York

CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH HEFFERNAN, JR.

CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH HEFFERNAN, JR. was born in Amsterdam, New York, on 9 December 1917. He was the fifth child of Justice and Mrs. C. J. Heffernan. His father was Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, Appellate Division, Third Department. Both of Chris' parents were of Irish descent; in fact his father was born in County Athlone. Chris was brought up to be a devout Catholic, serving as an altar boy in the local church. He had four older sisters, who were very fond of him, and he lived a happy childhood. He was an outstanding student and an affectionate son and brother. His three surviving sisters have warm and vivid memories of him—forty-one years later.

When Chris decided on West Point, it was discovered that the local congressman had no appointment available. But Justice Heffernan had met Congressman Anthony Sabath, 5th District Illinois, on a train trip. Sabath had an appointment open, and he offered it to Chris. Chris finished high school in 1934 and spent the school year 1934-35 at Behne Millard's prep school in Washington, D.C., along with many of his future classmates, and on 1 July 1935 he reported to "Hell on the Hudson."

West Point in the mid-thirties was a grueling ordeal—especially the first year. Chris was fortunate in being assigned to K Company, partly because of his height (not too tall; not too short) and partly just plain "luck of the draw." K Company had a unique esprit de corps and a more mature disciplinary "style" than some other parts of the corps. One learned how troops were actually handled in the real Army.

All of Chris' surviving roommates remember him as quiet, polite, and unselfish, always ready to do his share of the disagreeable chores. These virtues were by no means universal in an environment deliberately designed to evoke competitiveness. Chris performed respectably in all aspects of cadet life, graduating number 273 in the Class of 456 members. But he made no effort to lead the world or set it on fire. Subject to *adequate* accomplishment in all essential areas, he concentrated on enjoying cadet life as much as one could, and he succeeded remarkably. His generous character and witty Irish charm made him popular with high and low alike.

He chose to go to the Infantry in the Philippines, and along with almost a dozen classmates, travelled there via the United States Army transport *Grant*. Chris boarded her in Brooklyn in early September and arrived in Manila in late October, after stops in Panama, San Francisco, Honolulu, and Guam. Assigned to the 31st Infantry in Manila, he led the active military and social life of a bachelor lieutenant in the old Army for two years. Then on 1 July 1941 he married a beautiful tiny (4ft. 10 in.) *mestiza* named Maria Aran and nicknamed Bing. They had no children.

War came in December 1941, and the 31st Infantry was immediately in the thick of it. Chris was promoted to captain, and assigned

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to command C company. His direct superior, the commanding officer 1st Battalion, was Lieutenant Colonel Edward H. Bowes, USMA 1919, whom many of us recall as "Daddy" Bowes, a well-known Tac. After more than three months of close and continuous fighting, the end came on Bataan with the surrender on 9 April 1942. Chris died of malaria the very day of the surrender. As one of his classmates who shared the ordeal points out, if Chris was fated to die it was perhaps merciful that he did so in April 1942, because he was thus spared the Death March, three years of squalid incarceration, and the grim slaughter of the sunken POW ships which claimed so many of his comrades.

After the war, Chris' remains were brought back for interment at Amsterdam. His three surviving sisters have lost contact with his widow.

This was a short life—a little over twenty-four years. The overwhelming majority of those years were happy ones. Was the short life wasted? Only if victory in World War II was without value. Chris' life was part of the price of victory. And the manner in which he led this brief life—so as to leave warm and enduring memories with all who knew him well—may serve as an example to us all.

A classmate

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Richard John Rastetter

NO. 12326 CLASS OF 1941

Died 17 September 1981 in Dover, Ohio, aged 64 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

RICHARD JOHN RASTETTER

POSITIVE PERSON THAT he was and filled with an exceptional amount of energy, Dick did not give up this life easily or quickly. He fought so hard, enduring fifty treatments of betatron radiology and two very traumatic operations over a period of three years. He did not slip into a coma until the final one of our children arrived from California, kissed him, and told him she loved him. Five more days and then he slept away on 17 September 1981.

Richard John Rastetter was born in Alliance, Ohio, on 18 June 1917, the son of Frank and Nellie Rastetter. He attended St. Joseph's grade school and Alliance High School, graduating as valedictorian in 1935 with the highest average attained up to that time.

His sights had been on West Point but he did not receive his appointment immediately upon graduation. He went to Western Reserve University in Cleveland, and returned after one semester to Alliance to attend Mount Union College. He joined Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and continued playing basketball, a sport he always loved.

He received his appointment to the Academy by attaining the highest grade in a competitive examination given by our District United States representative. He went off to West Point in July 1937. He had two goals: one he reached by getting a major A playing basketball; one he missed by a few files—getting into the Corps of Engineers. He chose Quartermaster hoping to get into the construction part of it.

Dick came home and a week after graduation we were married in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with six handsome new second lieutenant classmates (Gerace, Elder, George Johnson, Chapman, Schilling, and Frank Locke) doing full military honors. We were high school sweethearts so the long six-year wait for this day made it incredibly beautiful and happy for us. It set the pattern for the next forty years which gave us six beautiful, intelligent children and many happy, exciting adventures.

First came Quartermaster school in Philadelphia, then he went to Scott Air Force Base, followed by motor transport school at Fort Crook, Nebraska, which eventually brought about Dick's transfer to the Ordnance Corps which he liked. He was with the 12th Armored Division from its beginning at Camp Campbell, Kentucky, in September 1942 to its phasing out late in 1945. His battalion received two Meritorious Unit Commendations while in combat in Europe in 1944 and 1945, and he received the Bronze Star Medal and promotion to lieutenant colonel. He served as Ordnance Officer of VI Corps Headquarters in the occupation forces, then as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of the 60th Ordnance Group before returning in June 1947 to West Point for three years.

He was Assistant Professor of Ordnance in charge of the Automotive Engineering subcourse and revised and modernized the classroom instruction. He also served as coach of the junior varsity basketball team in 1949 and 1950.

The next three years were spent in the Research and Development Division, Office Chief of Ordnance in the Pentagon, followed by three years in the Canal Zone as maintenance officer and then commanding officer of Ordnance with United States Army Caribbean.

The Army War College came next in 1956 and 1957 followed by our only four-year tour at Rock Island Arsenal: one year with the Arsenal when Dick was promoted to full colonel and then three years under the United States Army Ordnance Weapons Command as project manager of the new Davy Crockett weapons system, a high-priority, revolutionary atomic weapon for use by infantry troops.

Next tour Dick was given a choice, Fort Bragg or Alaska. The family vote was for Alaska with which he concurred. He was the Ordnance Officer in Army Headquarters at Fort Richardson for one year, then Deputy Commanding Officer, ending his stay as Commanding Officer of both Fort Richardson and the US Army Alaska Support Command. For this Dick received a Certificate of Achievement and the Legion of Merit.

Seemingly at the height of his military career and very close to the ultimate promotion, Dick chose retirement on our return to the lower forty eight. Two things influenced this: his disillusionment with the Army in general after the elimination of the Chief of Ordnance position and other restructuring, and our daughter's severe illness, which he thought might be helped if we would finally settle in one place.

We settled in Rhinebeck, New York, on 1 July 1964 when Dick became Commandant of Cadets at Cardinal Farley Military Academy. He truly enjoyed the years there; he still wore the uniform, and we were near West Point and could attend many activities there. Rhinebeck was home until the academy closed and our children, one by one, began locating all over the United States. We then returned to our native state, Ohio, in 1973 where we bought a home on Atwood Lake, forty miles southwest of Alliance. Here he could fish (a long time favorite pastime) to his heart's content and boat. There were also golf courses nearby, another favorite sport Dick enjoyed and played quite adequately.

His most satisfying activity, however, was our frequent trips to visit our children who survive him: Margaret Mary in North Carolina, Jean in California, Karen in Maine, Richard in Colorado but now here in Ohio. We did not get to return to Alaska where John, our other son, lives. Eleven grandchildren also survive. Dorann, our daughter, died during 1968 in Rhinebeck; and now Dick has joined her.

On 22 September 1981 he was buried at West Point with four classmates serving as honorary pallbearers, our dear friends, Bob Edger, Tony Tonetti, Earl Brown, and Dick Von Schriltz in a simple military ceremony.

It is with extreme love I remember his devotion to me and his children. It is with extreme pride I recall his attention to duty, his adherence to honor, and his love of country.

Dorothy Cunin Rastetter

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William Hunter Woodward

NO. 12459 CLASS OF 1941

Died 10 April 1966 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 46 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

HUNTER WOODWARD, DISTINGUISHED OFFICER, good friend, devoted father, loving husband and courageous gentleman, died on 10 April 1966, at San Antonio, Texas, leaving a great void, mourned by his family and friends. Though he knew for a considerable time of the encroaching nature of his illness, Hunter chose to keep that threat at bay as long as possible. Instead of capitulating to it, he served uncomplainingly at his post at Headquarters, Fourth Army, carrying out his duties and continuing his studies towards a doctorate degree in mathematics as long as he was physically able. This service, without fanfare or dramatics, best bespeaks the man.

Hunter was born in Montclair, New Jersey, on 4 July 1919, the only son of Brigadier General William R. Woodward USMA '16 and the late Mrs. Celeste Hunter Woodward. That he would go to West Point could pretty much have been predicted, not only because of his father's history there, but also because of the tradition passed down to him from his step-grandfather, P. H. Worcester USMA '03 and his uncle, Fox Glenn, who graduated #2 in the Class of 1923. His life as an Army brat

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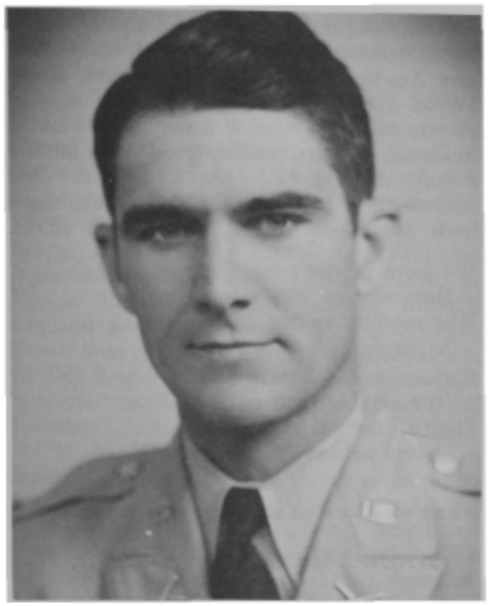

WILLIAM HUNTER WOODWARD

was, like that of most brats, a saga of many moves with his family to different posts. There, he became indoctrinated with Army life, met and became friends with many of the boys who were later to be his classmates and brother officers.

Having entered the Academy in 1937, he graduated comfortably in the middle of the "Black Class" of 1941. As a cadet, however, he was probably more widely known for his instantaneous ability to make friends and for his many lively extra-curricular, social, athletic, and thespian interests.

Commissioned in the Artillery just before the start of World War II, he was sent first to a Tank Destroyer Battalion in Hawaii, and thence to a Corps Artillery unit in the Pacific Ocean Area. With that unit he progressed to the position of battalion commander, returning home with the Bronze Star and Air Medals.

His biggest personal victory came after the war when he was able to persuade Mary Alice Harding (then first lieutenant, Army Nurse Corps) to become his wife, which she did on 27 October 1945. They were blessed with a son, Hunter Briggs, in 1946 while stationed at the Artillery School, where Hunter was on the faculty. Their second son, Thomas Scott, was born in 1949 while Hunter was in the process of achieving his Master's Degree in Guided Missile and Aeronautical Engineering at the University of Southern California, from where he graduated in 1950. While there, he was admitted to Tau Beta Phi, the professional fraternity. He applied his new knowledge to working on the Artillery Board from that time until 1954 when he was detailed to attend the Command and General Staff College. From there, he was sent with his family to Copenhagen, Denmark, for duty with the staff of Allied Land Forces, Europe, returning in 1958, back to the Artillery School again. This time, he commanded the 1st Missile Battalion of the 84th Artillery until 1960.

Transferred to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, the Pentagon, he was invaluable, carrying out the type of duties for which all his previous service had qualified him. His division chief at the time writes of him, "... a very capable staff officer ... a true gentleman, conducting himself accordingly no matter what the circumstances ... effective ... creative ... ingenious. ..."

Following later duty in Weapons System Evaluation Group from 1961 to 1964, he was given the Legion of Merit for "highly meritorious service in a position of great responsibility." After graduating from the Army War College in June 1965, he proceeded to his last post as Executive Officer, G-2 Section, Headquarters Fourth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Probably the truest measure of any man is in the way his daily associates remember him. Hunter's World War II jeep driver went to much trouble, on learning of his death, to locate the family. He then wrote to say how much he had admired Hunter, "... a fine officer ... a true gentleman ... a West Pointer. It was an honor to serve under him. ..." Other friends said of him, "... he is gone but not forgotten, as he was one of the good ones."

So, after all these years, we mourn the passing of a real artilleryman, an officer and a gentleman, and a West Pointer in the truest sense. He left with all who knew him a lasting impression of quiet integrity and professional competence resulting from hard work and dedicated study.

The Nation was well served by this son of West Point who was destined from youth for the profession that he followed. We of the Black Class salute him, for the Corps, as he now stands in the Long Gray Line.

A roommate

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Edgar Thornton Poole, Jr.

NO. 12626 CLASS OF 1941

Died 11 April 1983 in Casa Grande, Arizona, aged 68 years.

Interment: Tempe, Arizona

EDGAR THORNTON POOLE, JR.

EDGAR THORNTON POOLE, JR. was born in Redlands, California, the son of Edgar T. and Mosella M. Poole. His parents descended from long term settlers of Texas, and they soon moved from California to Casa Grande, Arizona, which Ed called home. He attended school in Casa Grande, and in high school he joined the National Guard, his first experience with the military.

After high school, he joined the Regular Army as an artilleryman. Having decided to try for West Point, he attended the West Point Preparatory School at Fort Bliss, Texas. While there, he received an appointment from the late Senator Carl Hayden and entered the Class of 1941 on 1 July 1937.

At the Academy Ed was privileged to room with George Cooper, the C company commander, a man of high character and outstanding leadership. Not outstanding in academics, Ed starred in track. He also did well with the femmes until he met his "One-And-Only"—Lois Cook of Red Bank, New Jersey. After graduation they were married at Red Bank with classmate friends in attendance. Their union was blessed with four beautiful children. This family was close knit and spent many happy moments together.

Ed was commissioned in the Infantry with a detail to pilot training in the Army Air Corps. Completing his flight training at San Diego, he received his wings in March 1942 and reported to an antisubmarine squadron in Puerto Rico. He completed his first combat tour in the unglamorous, but very demanding and hazardous business of chasing Hitler's subs out of the Western Atlantic. Upon completion of this tour he became an instructor pilot at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico. Again, he volunteered for combat and soon was flying his B-29, "Lucky Lady," in attacks against the Japanese homeland, as part of the famous 19th Bomb Group. After the war he served at Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico, on the "Silver Plate Project" flying B-29 test vehicles in connection with the Los Alomos atomic tests. Colonel Edward M. Jaquet, USAF Retired, spoke of his association with Ed at Kirtland, praising his professional performance as an aircraft commander on those challenging research missions. Another contemporary, and member of his squadron, Colonel Frank G. Lester, USAF Retired, had this to say: "Ed was a tall, distinguished looking guy. His projected strength of character and integrity together with his quiet manner attracted junior officers and airmen. They could talk to him and receive meaningful answers which helped solve problems, clarify issues, and provide inspiration. He was the epitome of a West Pointer."

As the Korean War began to build up, Ed Poole volunteered for a third combat tour. This led him through B-26 transition at Langley to Headquarters, 5th Air Force where, as wing operations officer, he logged his 160th combat mission. His total of over one thousand hours of combat in three tours is not only a class record, but it is in a league by itself as far as bombardment operations is concerned. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Returning from Korea, he became Professor of Air Science at Arizona State University for four years followed by a tour at Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, in the civil engineer field. This new field soon took him over to Africa where he supervised the deactivation of Nouasser Air Base in Morocco.

Returning to the States in 1962, Ed decided that since the Air Force had acknowledged his skill with a slide rule he would retire and enter the field professionally. He was soon registered as a Professional Engineer in both New Jersey and Arizona. After completing an interstate highway in Vermont, he moved back near his boyhood home in Arizona.

Ed and Lois enjoyed their retirement near three of their four children who lived in the vicinity. Unfortunately, during the latter years, Lois was afflicted with a debilitating illness; it became necessary for Ed to spend more time assisting her. During this time, as a diversion, Ed started marathon running. His 4-day training pattern was to start at 4:00 a.m., to run daily a five, eight, and twelve miler, then take a day off. He was always back in time to assist Lois when she

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awoke. He entered the Fiesta and Phoenix Marathons in 1981-82. At the latter, I was there to cheer him at the finish line. At age 67, Ed came in second in his 60-69 age category.

Another diversion for Ed was flying light aircraft. He acquired a Cessna 182, because Lois also loved to fly. On one of their numerous trips in Arizona, Marge and I flew to Sedona and Lake Powell with them. We were planning a trip to the Grand Canyon that was not to be.

On the afternoon of 11 April 1983, Ed and Lois took off from Sky Harbor Airport, Phoenix, and headed toward the Casa Grande area, his hometown, to place flowers on his mother's grave. The weather was good and Ed had filed a flight plan; there was no radio report to the control tower indicating a problem. Ed and Lois flew into their last Arizona sunset. The plane crashed into the mountains near Casa Grande. This was a rare occasion, possibly unique in our Academy's history in which a West Pointer and his wife have died at the same time. Classmates in the Phoenix area attended the funeral services. Ed and Lois were buried in Tempe, Arizona.

The day before their demise, Ed and Lois had their three Arizona children, their spouses, and grandchildren at their home to celebrate Lois' birthday. Ed and Lois had a close knit family that exuded the love they have for each other. The Great Provider must have timed this last lovely family reunion as they expressed their love to one another.

Ed Poole was a living testament to our motto "Duty, Honor, Country." As one of the outstanding airmen in our Class, he served our country well and earned an honored place in the Long Gray Line.

Ed is survived by four children: Pamela Houlihan, Red Bank, New Jersey; and Penelope Fillmore, Nancy Glover, and Stewart Poole all of Tempe, Arizona; and twelve grandchildren. Ed, we miss you.

Roy 'Babe' Hendrickson, classmate

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Henry Eaton Wixon

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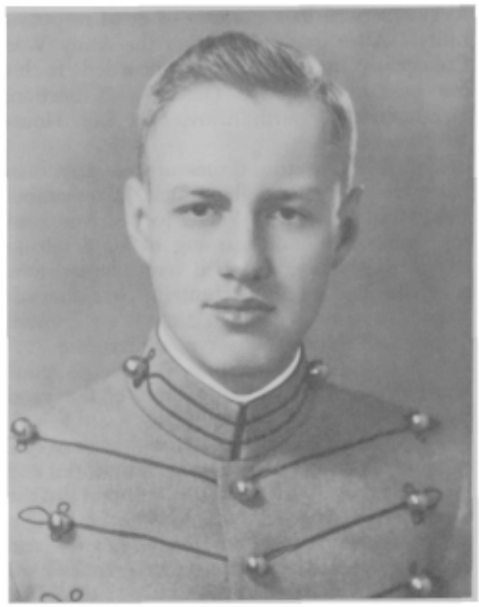
Died 14 November 1979 in New Bern, North Carolina, aged 61 years.

Interment: Fort Lincoln Cemetery, Brentwood, Maryland

HENRY, THE ONLY SON of Irving and Lillian Wixon, was born in Washington, D.C., on 3 August 1918. By the time he graduated near the top of his class at old Central High School in Washington in 1935, he had developed an abiding interest in matters military. This interest led him first to Norwich University in Vermont for the 1935-36 academic year, then to the Millard Preparatory School in Washington in 1936, and finally to West Point on 1 July 1937. His assignment to B company in the United States Corps of Cadets, with its reputation for being hard but fair, was always a matter of pride with Henry.

But, as it has so often in the past, time proved that desire and effort alone were not sufficient to win out over the Academic Department. After a valiant struggle with the Mathematics Department, Henry conceded the battle and left the Academy in 1938; although he passed the necessary examination for reentry, he did not return to the Academy, due to illness.

Henry may have "had his problems" with



HENRY EATON WIXON

a mathematics course, but he went on to prove himself to be a superior student in other fields: business, law, and accounting. By 1942 he had earned a bachelor's degree in business (BCS) from Benjamin Franklin University, and in 1948 he picked up his master's degree in business (MCS) from the same school. During the intervening years he studied law and, in 1944, graduated with highest honors from George Washington University with a juris doctorate (JD) degree.

Upon graduation from George Washington University, with his law degree still warm in his hand, Henry was appointed Assistant Corporation Counsel, District of Columbia. His entire thirty-four year career was spent in the Office of the Corporation Counsel, including twenty years as Chief of the Taxation Division. During this time he was admitted to practice as a Certified Public Accountant in the District of Columbia. Further, he was admitted to practice law before the bar of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, the bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the bar of the United States Court of Appeals for Maryland, and the bar of the United States Supreme Court. In addition, Henry found time to serve faithfully and well as a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the District of Columbia Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy, and the George Washington University Alumni Association.

Henry, not confining his energies to official duties alone, was also very active in civic affairs. He functioned for several years as advisor to the National Eagle Scout Association, Boy Scouts of America, and as an Honorable Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska. He also served as President of the Rock Creek Hills Citizens Association of Montgomery County, Maryland. His work with Congressman Newton Steers' committee to select applicants for appointment to the several service academies epitomized his interest in and service to the Long Gray Line.

On 12 January 1954, Henry married Vera B. Newton in Parsons, West Virginia. On 14 November 1979, while vacationing with Vera, he died in New Bern, North Carolina. He is survived by Vera and five children: Henry N. Wixon, Margaret L. Wixon, Barbara E. Wixon, Ann W. Singer, Marian W. Boring, and one granddaughter, Lindsey Singer.

Although the United States Corps of Cadets lost a cadet in 1938, the United States Military Academy did not lose a friend. Henry Wixon was a man for all seasons, a man of diverse talents, a man of many facets: loving husband, devoted father, good and faithful friend, distinguished public servant. Had mathematics been an art, he would have been an equally distinguished Army officer.

We learn in the retreating
  How vast an one
Was recently among us.
  A perished Sun
Endears in the departure
  How doubly more
Than all the golden presence
  It was before!

B Company Friends

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Samuel Alexander Gibson, Jr.

NO. 12844 CLASS OF 1942

Died 16 December 1944 in The Ardennes, aged 24 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

SAM ALEXANDER GIBSON, JR.

SAM WAS BORN in Washington, D.C., on 20 April 1920, son of Colonel Samuel A. and Loula Henrie Gibson, USMA 1913. Before entering West Point he attended first Columbus High School and then Georgia Military Academy where he graduated in the class of 1937. As was customary for most Army brats in those days, he then attended Millard Preparatory School in Washington, D.C. prior to being appointed to West Point from Nevada by Senator Key Pittman.

During his days as a cadet, Sam was completely dedicated to the Academy. He earned his numerals on the swimming team and was also a member of the track team, but he was not the type to let anything stand in the way of his objective of becoming an outstanding infantry officer. One of Sam's friends and classmates on the swimming team remembers him as having a rather quiet and reserved manner, serious in his intent to do well, but with a good sense of humor and a desire to participate in a variety of activities. His roommate remembers Sam as having the straightest looking pair of shoulders across the back while exhibiting a completely unshaken and totally disciplined compliance within all the rigors and demands of Plebe life and cus-

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toms. During his Second Class year he was a cadet corporal and the regimental sergeant major his First Class year.

After graduation and the Infantry School, Sam joined the 78th Infantry Division, newly activated at Camp Butner, North Carolina. He was married 24 October 1942 to Ann Elizabeth (Betty) McKay, of Fayetteville, North Carolina, at the Post Chapel, Fort Bragg. After training thousands of overseas replacements, the 78th Division went to Europe in October 1944, staging through England and then moving into the Hürtgen Forest area along the German Siegfried Line. By this time Sam had been promoted to captain and was S-3 of the 3rd Battalion, 311th Infantry.

On 13 December 1944, the division launched a major attack through the Siegfried Line in its first attempt to take the dams controlling the Roer River, which had been a major factor in holding up the allied advance. The division and Sam's battalion acquitted themselves well. The division found itself on the north flank of the Battle of the Bulge, as the Germans launched their massive attack in the Ardennes. During heavy fighting on 15 December a German shell hit his battalion command post, and Sam was killed instantly. The unit that he had helped to train and lead went on to play a signficant role in the victories that were to follow.

Those who knew Sam remember him as exceptionally clean-cut and soldierly in appearance, conscientious and serious in demeanor, and always friendly. He illustrated what West Point is all about—a young man who came to the Academy to become an officer in the United States Army. He filled a rank in the Long Gray Line when he carried out his DUTY with glorious HONOR for his COUNTRY.

His decorations included the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantry Badge.

Sam is survived by his wife (Mrs. John Scott Pollard); their daughter, Elizabeth (Mrs. James L. Connell); a grandson, James Lee Connell, Jr., age 11; and a granddaughter, Anne Gibson Connell, age 7.

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George Lawrence Eckert

NO. 12997 CLASS OF 1942

Died 13 May 1978 in Washington, D.C. aged 60 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

I VISITED WITH GEORGE at Walter Reed a week before he succumbed to cancer. We reminisced about our respective careers, and talked about God and faith. George was not an active church member, but he faced the hereafter with an enviable confidence that everything would be right with him. Most of the conversation, however, was about his wife June, daughter Carol; and son Roger. He went over the steps he had taken to provide for them adequately and wanted to be sure that he had not overlooked anything. He still had a sense of humor and a twinkle in his eye. With this as a background, it took a few years before June and I could cover in a few words the biography of a loving husband and father, a truly professional soldier, and a most worthy member of the Long Gray Line.

George Lawrence Eckert was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on 22 February 1918, the son of Oscar Philip and Cora Ehlen

GEORGE LAWRENCE ECKERT

Eckert. He attended the William Penn and Lake Harriet Elementary Schools, West High School, and the Northwest Army and Navy Preparatory School in Minneapolis prior to attending the School of Mining Engineering at the University of Minnesota from 1936 to 1938. He continued prepping for West Point with a year in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Then he joined the Class of 1942 with an appointment from Senator Henrik Shipstead. His brother Philip had entered that Annapolis institution on the Severn River two years before in 1936.

The years at West Point nurtured his friendly and outgoing personality. Rank-wise, George had the misfortune, or possibly good fortune, of being associated with classmates who enjoyed good times and did foolish things. So he had his fair share of demerits, but still attained the rank of sergeant. He brokered many B-robe bets on the A-N games through his brother Phil. There were few his equal at telling stories and exercising imagination. Late in his Plebe year he wrote a paper on "Why the Sun Rose Late." In 1939 the sun rose later above the Central Barracks' skyline because Jupiter passed 20 million miles closer to Earth than it had ever before causing the Earth to tip in its axis. This resulted in a later rising of the sun in northern latitudes. To George's footnote, "This theme is entirely imaginative," the English instructor added, "and very, very entertaining." The paper got 6.0 and the instructor also commented, "Write like this always and I will guarantee your reward." George spent most of his summer furlough on the Naval Academy's midshipmen's cruise. He received monograms in skeet and waterpolo, and was a member of the camera, chess, fishing, and ski clubs. Needless to say, his interests were many. Upon graduation he applied for the Infantry with preference for assignment to an armored or airborne unit.

George was commissioned in the Infantry, and his first unit was the 13th Armored Division in training at Camp Beale, California. He received his first lieutenant bars on 4 August 1942, and became a company commander in October. Captain's bars followed on 28 June 1943.

Classmate Robert (Butch) Offley also was in the 13th Armored. Butch married Roberta (Bobbie) Boyd in June 1943. George was in the wedding party along with bridesmaid June Davis. After a whirlwind courtship, George and June were married on 7 August 1943 in Eugene, Oregon.

The honeymoon was interrupted by George's departure overseas in October 1943 as a company commander in 715th Amphibian Tractor Battalion. He participated in the Saipan and Tinian assault landings in the Marianas; Leyte in the Philippines; and Keramo Retto, IE Shima, and Okinawa in the Ryukyus. He was wounded at Saipan, for which he was awarded the Purple Heart. These actions also earned him the Bronze Star Medal and a Presidential Unit Citation (Navy). From company commander George moved up to operations officer, and then executive officer. Major's leaves were presented on 30 January 1945.

The honeymoon resumed upon George's return to the States in November 1945. He spent a few months as Assistant G-3 in VII Corps Headquarters at Fort Ord, California, and then was assigned as assistant G-3 in Headquarters, Sixth Army, at the Presidio of San Francisco. In January 1948, George and June went to Greece where he served for a year on the Military Army Advisor Group as G-3 advisor to the Greek 9th Division. This tour earned him the Greek War Cross, Class III. The next assignment, concurrent with his transfer to the Armor branch, was the Armor School, Fort Knox, Kentucky, in February 1949. Typical of George was his comment on the Advance Course: "I played a lot of golf, hunted birds, and shot skeet. Had a ball!" He then became an instructor in tactics. Daughter Carol greeted Fort Knox on 8 May 1951.

George and June had fallen in love with Greece and its people, so it was on to the Army Language School in October 1951 as a lieutenant colonel to study Greek. Then it was back to Greece in 1953 for two years as a foreign area specialist. Always doing something out of the ordinary, George attended the Greek Army War College. Then he came back to the States to attend the Senior Course, Marine Corps School, in lieu of the Command and General Staff College. Greece again called and George and June returned for four years from 1956 to 1960 as Assistant United States Army Attache. Son Roger was born during this tour on 24 November 1957 in Izmir, Turkey.

Fort Knox was again the family home with George commanding for a year an Armored Battalion which was attached to the 82d Airborne Division. His next assignment was with the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Washington, DC, from 1961 to 1964. During the Cuban missile crisis in 1962, George was a member of the National Photographic Interpretation Center that analyzed aerial photographs of Soviet missile sites. The group received the Army Commendation Medal for its work. June helped pin on eagles on 29 October 1962.

Another MAAG assignment followed in Iran where George commanded a field advisory team. George then attended the Army War College in 1966, and also received the Degree of Master of Science in International Affairs from George Washington University. He next commanded the 2d Brigade, 2d Armored Division, Fort Hood, Texas. From the 2d Armored Division, George and family went to the Headquarters Alaskan Command from 1968 to 1971. His last assignment before retirement on 24 July 1972, was again with the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence in Washington where he served as Director of Intelligence Development. His last award was the Legion of Merit.

George and June established their perma-

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nent residence in Arlington, Virginia. With his home as a base, George parlayed his knowledge of Greece and the Near East and other parts of the world into lucrative arrangements for export sales of all types of materials, primarily for foreign military establishments. He was vice president and director of the Intercontinental Trade Development Corporation. In April 1975 he established Tradeways International and served as its president. At the time of his death, George was associated with the Gateway International Company.

George's military career can be summed up in three sentences from a letter he received upon retirement from General Bruce Palmer, Jr., Acting Chief of Staff, United States Army:

"From the time of your graduation from the United States Military Academy and your appointment as a lieutenant of Infantry, you displayed outstanding devotion to duty. In the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations during World War II, your performance in key command and staff positions contributed significantly to our military success in two major campaigns.

"More recently, as Commanding Officer of the 2d Brigade, 2d Armored Division, at Fort Hood, and as Director of Intelligence Development, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Department of the Army, you continued to display the initiative, inspiring leadership, and dedication to excellence that have marked your entire Army career."

June, his wife
Larry, his roommate

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James Richard Wiggins

NO. 18821 CLASS OF 1952

Died 25 November 1982 in Cancun, Mexico, aged 55 years.

Interment: Mountain View Cemetery, Longmont, Colorado

JAMES RICHARD WIGGINS

JAMES RICHARD WIGGINS was born in Longmont, Colorado, on 5 March 1927 to Gilman and Charlotte (Gustafson) Wiggins.

Jim attended elementary and high school in Longmont graduating in 1945. He entered the United States Navy after graduation and received his honorable discharge in June of 1946. In the fall of 1946, he entered the University of Colorado where he took courses in mathematics in preparation for tests to enter the United States Military Academy. He received his appointment through Congressman William S. Hill and entered West Point in July of 1948. As a cadet, he was a member of the Glee Club, Chapel Choir, and the *Pointer* Staff.

After graduation Jim was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force and served in the Korean conflict. In 1956, as a first lieutenant, he resigned his commission. He served in the Air Force Reserve until March of 1960. At the time of his death he was a systems analyst with Brown and Root, Inc., Houston, Texas.

Throughout his life Jim was active in many sports and was the founder of the Houston Singles Tennis Club. Jim had an avid interest in Egyptology, having made several trips to Egypt with archaeological groups. He was also a scuba diver and was diving at the time of his death.

Preceding him in death were his parents. He is survived by two brothers, Wilmer O. Wiggins of Richardson, Texas, and Dr. Grant Wiggins of Prineville, Oregon; a sister, Ida May Hodge of Longmont, Colorado; six nephews and three nieces.

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activities fees, they depend on generous allocations of gift funds each year. Almost all contributions from cadet parents are used for this purpose.

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let down and the team rallied to its many challenges in a noble way and won a key game in our schedule with something less than a best effort. In the past, we have lost many of these games, games that we "should have won."

After the first half, the Harvard game was thoroughly dominated by our young people. Nate Sassaman had a particularly outstanding day, and it is certainly gratifying to see our team rank number one in the nation in NCAA rushing statistics, particularly when one saw the many preseason predictions of doom that were printed about Army Football 1984.

Although I believe the team was emotionally high for our test in the Meadowlands against Rutgers, this was our first experience with penalties and mistakes and it cost us the victory. Our defense was magnificent on several occasions; our offense simply couldn't get it together and stumbled on several scoring drives. Rutgers is also in a renaissance year, and it was as big a game for them as it was for us. We will need to rebound after this disappointment and come back strong in our Homecoming game against Penn.

Our other fall sports are giving a good account of themselves with a .754 winning percentage on 15 October. Soccer, with an extremely challenging schedule, including several games with nationally-ranked teams, now holds a record of 4 and 5. We are, however, undefeated in league play and Coach Chiavaro's great touch with this fine, young team will see us with a winning record by the end of the season, I am very certain.

150-lb football is undefeated in regular season play, beating Princeton, Rutgers, and Penn, losing a squeaker in an exhibition game at Cornell early in the season. They have a number of new and untried players, but under new Coach Tim Mingey have risen to their challenges and look ahead to the rest of the season with great optimism.

Water polo continues to battle with a season record of 6-4. They lost to Navy here in the first round of a tournament, and this is not a good way to start off our competition against the midshipmen for the year. Navy, however, has been nationally rated.

Men's and women's tennis have had a strong fall, the women taking the spotlight with an undefeated dual meet record as of this writing. Cadet Ted Wilson, captain of the men's team, continues to perform at an outstanding level, winning in the number one slot in a number of tournaments in which he has participated and playing with great enthusiasm and excellence in the number one doubles slot with Second Classman Scott Poirier.

A highlight of the weekend of 6 October was the achievement of Coach Brazil's 100th team win here at West Point in men's cross country against Cornell. Ron's teams are strong ones this year and although our women lost to the Big Red, last year they were shut out and this year had two runners finishing in the top five.

Women's volleyball has had an excellent start also this fall with a 17-3 record under second-year Coach Bob Gambardella. Bob spent most of the summer with the Olympic volleyball people on the West Coast.

Our golf program has seen some excellent performances here this fall capped by a third-place finish in the ECAC qualifying meet at Princeton the first weekend in October.

Although the Army baseball team is not in-season in the fall, we play about 25 games, and after two dismal spring seasons, the Army nine fall's performance gives great hope for the spring of 1985. At this writing their record is 17-7 with a number of comeback victories in the later stages of the game.

Thank you for your continued interest, friendship, and support.

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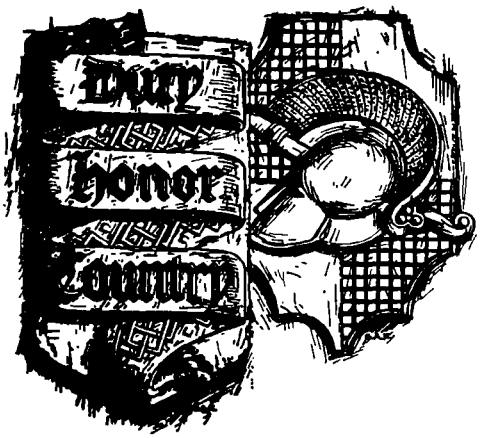

Last Roll Call

Reports of deaths of graduates and former Cadets received since the publication of September 1984 ASSEMBLY.

Name	*Class*	*Date of Death*	*Place of Death*
Carey H. Brown	1910	3 August 1984	Washington, D.C.
George J. Richards	1915	1 October 1984	Doylestown, Pennsylvania
William Spence	1916	1 October 1984	San Antonio, Texas
James A. Kehoe	Nov-1918	30 November 1983	Maysville, Kentucky
Merritt B. Booth	1919	1 August 1984	Washington, D.C.
John B. Murphy	1919	5 September 1984	Washington, D.C.
Oscar R. Johnston	1920	4 August 1984	San Antonio, Texas
Coleman Romain	1920	7 September 1984	Pinehurst, North Carolina
Milton C. Shattuck	1920	30 August 1984	Washington, D.C.
Arthur A. Klein	1922	27 October 1984	Jackson Heights, New York
James D. O'Connell	1922	28 July 1984	Washington, D.C.
Karl F. Lueder	x-1922	24 July 1984	Bethesda, Maryland
John P. Evans	1923	31 July 1984	Santa Monica, California
Edward F. Booth	1924	24 October 1984	Dallas, Texas
Herbert D. Vogel	1924	26 August 1984	Washington, D.C.
John Daniel, Jr.	1925	22 June 1981	Dover, New Jersey
Robert K. McDonough	1926	19 September 1984	Washington, D.C.
John S. Roosma	1926	13 November 1983	Verona, New Jersey
John W. Kirby	1927	29 July 1984	Casselberry, Florida
Robert H. Naylor	1927	29 July 1984	Jackson, Mississippi
Lawrence E. Shaw	1927	29 July 1984	Bethesda, Maryland
Arthur R. Thomas	1928	17 September 1984	Inverness, Florida
Lillard P. Miller	x-1928	27 April 1982	Wasco, Texas
Paul D. Harkins	1929	21 August 1984	Dallas, Texas
Robert J. Watson	1930	15 October 1984	Pasadena, California
Edward M. Parker	1931	7 October 1984	Washington, D.C.
Frederick R. Redden	1931	23 August 1984	Salt Lake City, Utah
Charles R. Broshous	1933	28 September 1984	Denver, Colorado
William H. Richardson	1933	27 October 1984	San Diego, California
Milton F. Summerfelt	1933	15 October 1984	Arlington, Virginia
Charles V. Wynne	1933	13 October 1984	South Woodbury, Connecticut
Staunton L. Brown	1934	8 October 1984	Mystic, Connecticut
Robert G. MacDonnell	1934	19 August 1984	Washington, D.C.
Donald A. Elliget	1935	25 August 1984	San Francisco, California
Milton L. Rosen	1935	11 October 1984	Washington, D.C.
Arthur M. Jacoby	1936	30 September 1984	Pensacola, Florida
Hamilton W. Fish	1937	11 October 1984	Raleigh, North Carolina
William E. McDonald	1937	7 September 1984	Washington, D.C.
George V. Underwood, Jr.	1937	3 August 1984	El Paso, Texas
Ulrich G. Gibbons	1939	18 September 1984	Redstone Arsenal, Alabama
Donald K. Nickerson	1939	14 September 1984	Seattle, Washington
Alexander Yale	1939	30 July 1984	Asheville, North Carolina
Jonathan E. Adams, Jr.	1941	20 September 1984	Camp Hill, Pennsylvania
Stephen T. Kosiorek	1941	1 October 1984	Atlanta, Georgia
John E. Rossell, Jr.	1941	18 October 1984	Perry Point, Maryland
Arthur P. Wade	Jan-1943	14 August 1984	Columbia, South Carolina
Jack T. Davis	Jun-1943	4 August 1984	Dillard, Georgia
Clarence E. Wolfinger, Jr.	1944	2 October 1984	Fripp Island, South Carolina
William E. Glynn	1945	5 August 1984	Hartford, Connecticut
Kenneth H. Werner	1945	3 August 1984	St. Louis, Missouri
Edward J. Collins	1946	12 October 1984	Fayetteville, North Carolina
Charles M. Simpson	1946	23 October 1984	Boulder Creek, California
Frank J. Lamattina	1947	22 October 1984	Waltham, Massachusetts
Peter D. Booras	1955	12 September 1984	Jackson, Mississippi
Henry Burns, Jr.	x-1955	28 May 1982	Martinsville, Indiana
Maurice L. Hazelrigs	1957	15 July 1984	Houston, Texas
Jack M. Warren	1959	9 April 1978	Richmond, Virginia
William L. Ivy	1963	16 October 1984	Kayenta, Arizona
Liviu Border	1981	9 May 1984	Fort Rucker, Alabama
Billy D. Hubbard, Jr.	1981	23 July 1984	Dalonega, Georgia

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