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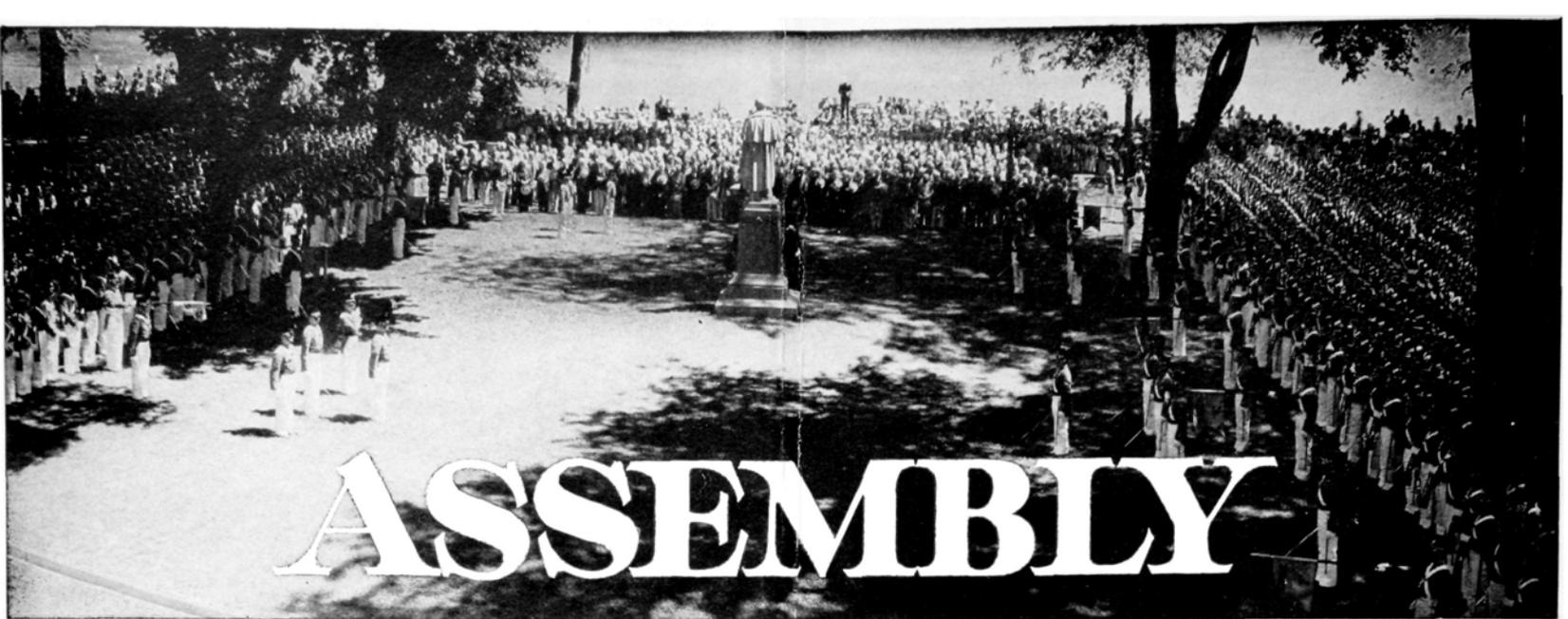
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Dear General Fenton:

I deeply appreciate the sentiments expressed in your telegram of November fifth, which just caught up with me here in Georgia. I shall strive to live by the precept of "Duty, Honor and Country". I can do no better!

My best to my friends in the Association.

Sincerely,

Dwight Eisenhower

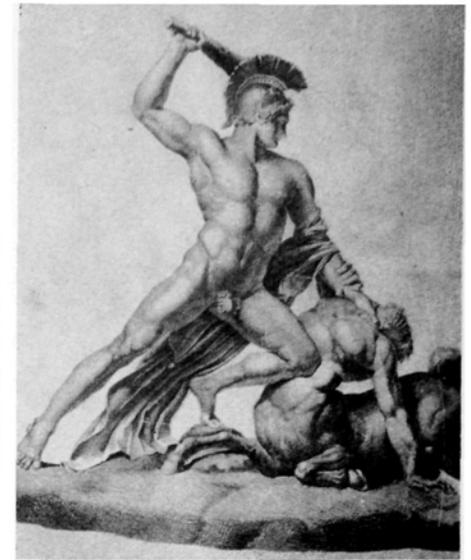
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Cadet Jefferson Davis, 1828



Cadet U. S. Grant, 1841



Cadet William Tecumseh Sherman, 1838

"EARLY CADET DRAWINGS WERE PITCHED TOWARD THE FINE ARTS. . ."

THE DEPARTMENT OF Military Topography and Graphics, U.S.M.A.

By COLONEL CHARLES R. BROSHOUS, Professor

Many grads remember this component of West Point's Academic structure as "The Department of Drawing" In 1942 the name was changed because the single term "Drawing" no longer connoted properly the contents of the several courses of instruction. Officers in the Department like to consider the present short title M.T.&G. as signifying "Mighty Thoughtful and Generous" This significance is not unanimously held by the Corps of Cadets.

Prior to 1802 the Military Academies of both England and France, partial patterns for West Point, included drawing within their curricula. Drawing at the time was considered a necessity to the proper education of an "officer and a gentleman" Early accounts reveal that drawing was a subject included within the curriculum from the very beginning of West Point's history. In his diary, Jonathan Williams, the first Superintendent of the Academy, describes his leading the cadets in and around West

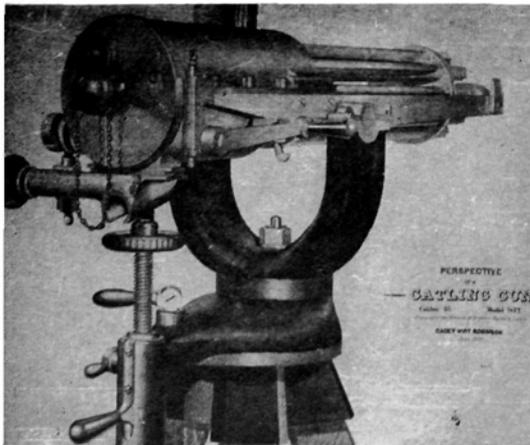
Point for the purpose of making surveys. In addition to familiarizing cadets with surveying instruments and practices, these surveys were for many years used as the official community land records. Thus drawing and surveying have plagued cadets for over 150 years. Surveying, previously taught in other Departments, has been a course of M.T.&G. since 1933.

The history of West Point's instruction in Drawing, Surveying and Mapping follows several trends, each attributable to a national development. Initially cadet drawings were pitched toward the fine arts, with much stress on the human figure or on landscapes. Early surveying and mapping were limited to establishing boundary lines and plot ownership. In the 1820's our young energetic nation, eager to explore and exploit its huge and rich territory to the west realized a serious need for engineers. Under the stimulating influence of Sylvanus Thayer, as well as that of his predecessors, West

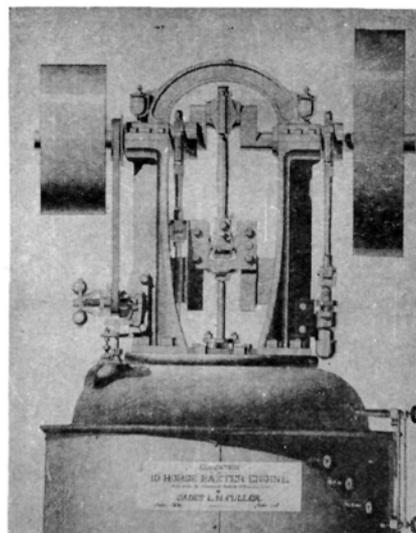
Point's curriculum was pointed toward engineering in an endeavor to fill this need. During this period, the study of maps, sketching and surveying took on a new character and embraced wider fields.

During the era of emphasis on engineering, Descriptive Geometry, a course most older grads will never forget, was imported from France to the United States by the famous Claude Crozet in 1816 and added to the cadet curriculum. The course was initially taught in the Department of Engineering, then in the Department of Mathematics for over 100 years, before settling in the Department of M.T.&G. in 1930 where it is now presented as an integral part of Engineering Drawing. Older grads still shudder when "50 Star" is mentioned.

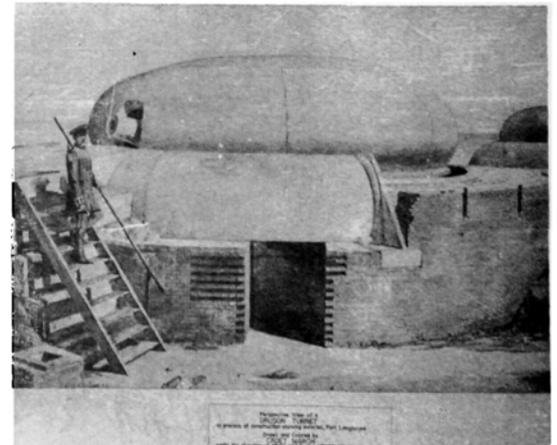
Toward the middle of the 19th Century our Army became the first in history to employ the railroads and telegraph in military operations. With the advance of the industrial revolution, our Army was quick to



Cadet Wirt Robinson, 1877



Cadet L. M. Fuller, 1890



Cadet Peyton C. March, 1888

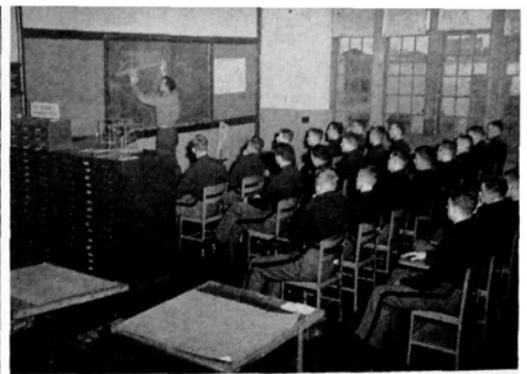
"GATLING GUNS, MACHINES AND GUN EMPLACEMENTS REPLACE FIGURES AND LANDSCAPES. . ."



Drafting Room, 1895—West Academic Building



Present Drafting Room—Washington Hall



Drafting Room Alcove

adapt new technical devices to military use. Cadet work for that period, preserved in the Department archives, reflects the local consciousness of technical advances, although it retained a high degree of artistic embellishment. Gatling guns, machines, and gun emplacements replaced figures and landscapes as subjects for cadet drawings.

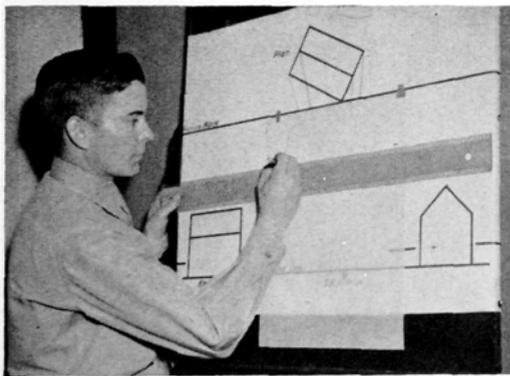
Since the turn of the century American engineering has made astounding technical advances. In recent years, our Armed Services themselves have pioneered many of the new developments. These technical advances with their effects on the military service necessitated corresponding changes in West Point's drawing courses. We lament the disappearance of the fine arts slant. Today's drawings are completely technical, phased with the latest engineering practices and teaching. Cadets no longer spend several months drawing in minutia the 35-mm gun, or a barracks building. "Inkling", an art of diminishing practical use, is limited to a portion of one attendance. Instructors are now almost free from ink-spattered uniforms. Modern USMA drawing is well stream-lined.

In line with the trend toward specialization, the Department has divided its overall academic instruction into Graphics for the Plebes and Topography for the Yearlings. Plebes attend Graphics every other morn-

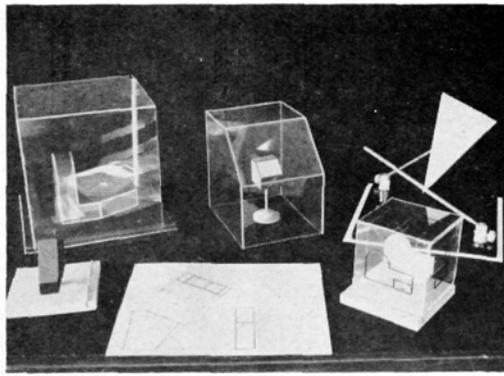
ing for a two-hour laboratory period, Monday through Friday, while Yearlings attend Topography for a similar laboratory period on alternate afternoons.

All branches of the Armed Services are technical in part, with a trend to become more so. Realizing this, the Department aspires to make each cadet capable of reading technical drawings and sketches and to develop his ability for graphical expression. The course in Graphics in general parallels in scope the standard college Freshman engineering drawing course. Despite the changes mentioned, many of the Department instructional policies which have been in vogue for years still apply. Graphics instructors explain principles to their sections at the beginning of each new phase, using blackboard, charts, and teaching aids; cadets then fix the principles by solving a series of illustrative problems under instructor supervision. Lectures are given to the class as a unit to contribute background and explain military applications. Grades are given for examinations and daily work considering the quality, quantity and correctness of cadet accomplishments. Periodically cadets are re-sectioned according to current average grade. The Department does not assign outside study. The course is designed for cadet study only during the two-hour laboratory

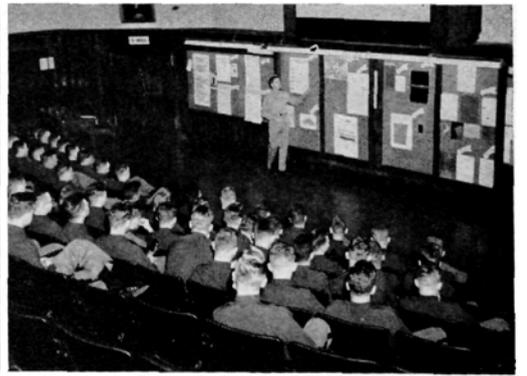
period. Plebes form in sections in the area and march to the fifth floor of Washington Hall for instruction. Grads of recent vintage can tell you the total number of stair steps required for a standard two-year course. Innovations include our "stretch out" method of instruction. Many of the cadets have had instruction in Engineering Drawing prior to entering West Point. Therefore, for each phase of Graphics, cadets are given a large series of problems of increasing difficulty and too numerous for the capabilities of even the most apt to complete within the allotted time. Each cadet solves as many problems of each phase as he is able. The "goats" usually cover only the fundamentals, while the "engineers" keep their pencils burning, digging deeply into each subject. This method challenges top men to demonstrate their superiority, while it trains the less capable in the fundamentals. The course includes periodic examinations and written general reviews. Throughout the year a large display panel is maintained in the Department foyer exhibiting the military and industrial applications of current Graphics instruction. The Department is indebted to many military and civilian installations for assistance in preparing excellent displays. These excite a large cadet interest and are proven aids to motivation and learning.



Graphics instructors explain principles to their sections.



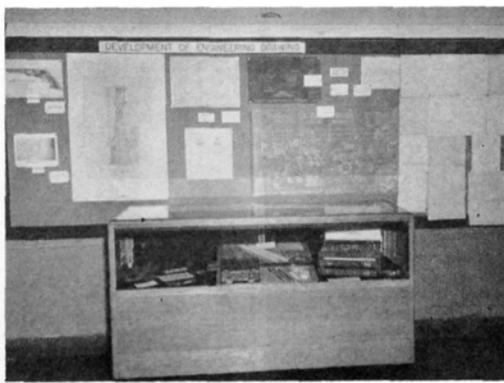
Teaching aids built by instructors.



Lectures contribute background.



Instructor demonstration of machine tools.



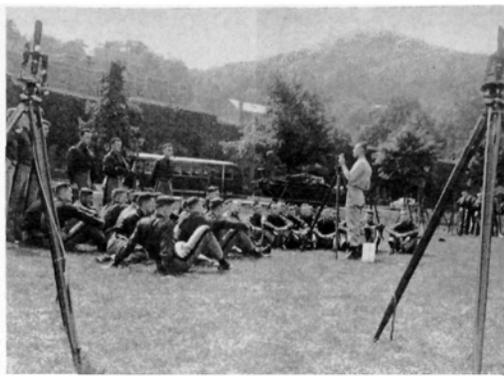
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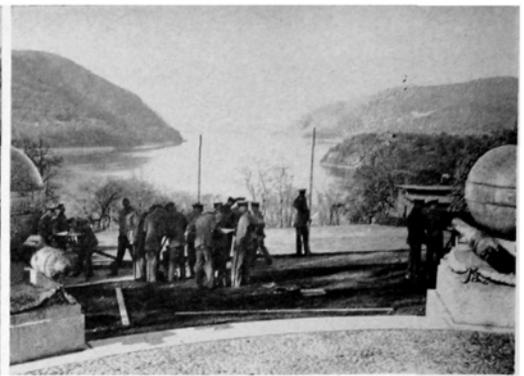
. . . indebted to military installations for assistance in preparing displays. . .



Level.



Transit.



Plane table and alidade.

“. . . OUT-OF-DOORS INSTRUCTION IN THE USE OF BASIC SURVEYING INSTRUMENTS.”

Modern warfare emphasizes the utter dependence of all ranks on maps. Experiences during World War II and in Korea have further substantiated the need for the mastery of map and terrain analysis. As a consequence, additional emphasis has recently been placed on certain phases of the course in Topography.

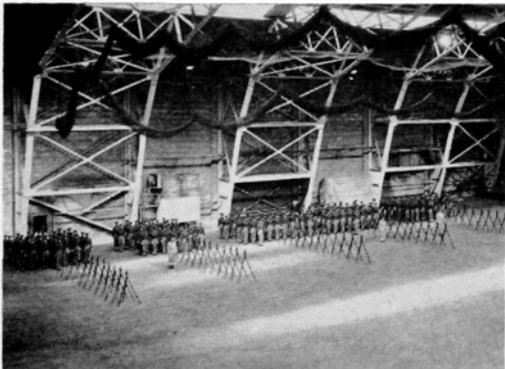
Military Topography, presented to the Third Class, needs little justification for its presence in the curriculum of a military academy. Its application to the Service is obvious. In this course, the Department strives to teach cadets the elements of topographic surveying, to read maps skillfully, to read air photos and military and naval charts of all types; to be familiar with the processes employed in map production; to learn the fundamentals of military sketching; to develop terrain sense, and to enlarge cadet background in associated subjects. Also the topographic associations of geology and astronomy are pointed out.

The Surveying course is presented during the Fall in order to take advantage of the good weather for outdoor exercises. Subject matter is similar to the regular elementary surveying courses given by many engineering schools to general engineering

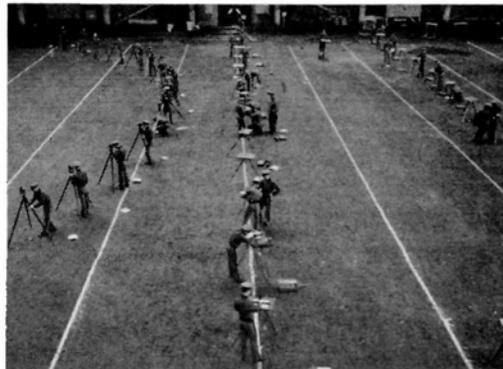
students, with instruction throughout emphasizing its many military applications. Topography also uses the “stretch out” method of instruction for both surveying and the Spring term. An average two-hour period of instruction comprises an opening period combining the instructor’s explanation with supervised cadet study, a period for cadets to work illustrative problems under instructor supervision, ending with a critique period. In each case, a number of illustrative problems are given in ascending order of difficulty so as to challenge the “engineer” while developing the fundamentals for the “goat.” Cadets are graded for quantity, quality and accuracy of daily accomplishment. Upon completion of theoretical work, cadets are given out-of-doors instruction in the use of the basic surveying instruments—level, transit, plane table and alidade. This field instruction is not designed to produce surveyors, but rather to teach the basic principles of operation and the capabilities of each instrument. At the completion of field instruction, cadets are given graded tests individually in the operation of each basic instrument.

The second term of Topography, from January to June, opens with a condensed

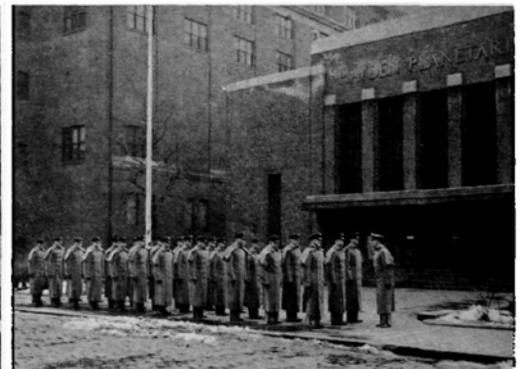
coverage of basic Elementary Map Reading. Elementary Map Reading is similar to instruction offered in most Service schools. Advanced Map Reading and Map Appreciation enlarges the basic course. During this phase, the course includes map projections, military grid systems (including UTM, polyconic, geographic, GEOREF, and Target Area Designator), terrain evaluation, and map analysis. Throughout, cadets solve problems on US domestic maps prepared by the Army Map Service and on foreign maps including Russian, German, French and Korean, of a variety of scales and formats. This year three lectures on the subject of Military Geology will be presented by a geologist from the Office of the Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army. Presented also are the basic principles of Military Photogrammetry, and terrain interpretation exercises with vertical, oblique, and stereo-pair photos. In the late Spring, at the completion of the classroom study of maps, cadets are given a “Map Skills Evaluation Test.” This test comprises approximately forty basic map problems and is considered a general review for the map appreciation and analysis portion of the course. Cadets are graded on their accomplishments in the



Preparing to issue instruments in the Field House.



graded tests individually in the operation of each basic instrument.



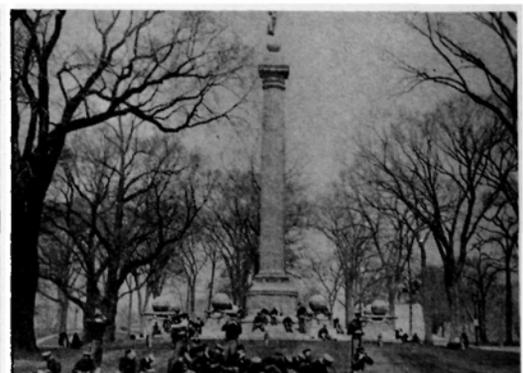
to the Hayden Planetarium in New York City



Sketching board and alidade.



Panoramic.



Compass traverse.

“OUT-OF-DOORS IN THE LATE SPRING . . . MILITARY SKETCHING.”



COLONEL LAWRENCE E. SCHICK,
Professor and Head of the Department of
Military Topography and Graphics since
May 1946.

initial test. Following the initial test, two subsequent attendances are partially allotted to give each cadet an opportunity to re-work correctly problems similar to those originally missed. Additional attendances are scheduled during cadet free time at "additional instruction" hours, during which the remaining unqualified cadets are given additional opportunities to work correctly problems continually missed. Each cadet is required to attend re-examination periods until he has worked each type problem correctly. It is not sufficient for cadets merely

to pass the test with a minimum 2.0; they must solve every type problem in the Map Skills Evaluation Test before course completion. Two lectures are given at West Point by members of the staff of the Hayden Planetarium of New York City on the subject "Descriptive Astronomy". In addition, the Yearlings go to the Hayden Planetarium in New York City for two lectures, one on the "Solar System" and the second on "The Universe". The Department endeavors with these lectures to give cadets a brief insight into the nature of the subject of Astronomy and its ever-increasing military applications. Lectures are given by the Department staff, covering "Operations of the Army Map Service", past, present, and future; how standard military maps are produced; how a map is procured; relief map production; and photogrammetric processes.

The Topography course moves outdoors in the late Spring to conclude with instruction in Military Sketching and field map exercises. During military sketching, cadets use standard equipment and field expedients, making trail and area sketches. Field map exercises are conducted at Fort Putnam, and at the McNair OP working map problems and comparing the map with the terrain. The McNair Observation Post was chosen especially for some of these exercises because the terrain in that vicinity is very similar to that of Korea. Many veterans from Korea report having had great difficulty in matching terrain with the map, and vice versa, as the terrain is practically devoid of man-made features which assist in orientation. Two written general reviews complete the instruction in Topography.

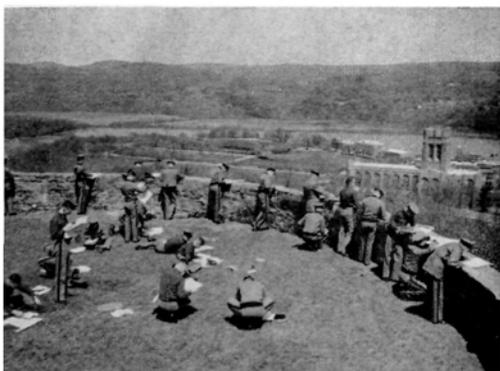
Throughout Fall, Winter and Spring instruction in Topography, instructors maintain current exhibits in the foyer pointing out to cadets service applications. Here also the Department is indebted to branches of the Army, Navy and Air Force for assistance in these exhibits. Much instructional material furnished by the Army,



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Professor of Military Topography and Graphics
since December 1947.

Navy and Air Force, including movies, charts and special teaching aids, is used throughout the course.

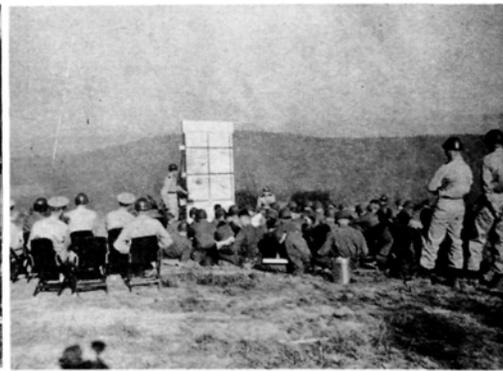
In addition to the regularly-scheduled academic courses, M.T.&G. presents two additional courses of instruction. One is a course in Elementary Map Reading and Terrain Appreciation given to the 4th Class for the Department of Tactics. The Plebes attend this course during regularly-scheduled Tactics periods in October and November for two one-hour periods each week. This course is presented to give the new
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Field Map Exercise at Fort Putnam.



4th Class orienting maps—Plebe Map Reading.



3d Class Field Map Exercise—Yearling Summer.



An assist from Ordnance—instructor summer training in the use of machine tools.



Instructors visit Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, in search for new ideas.



4th Class parents and guests attend Department "Open House"—Plebe Christmas.

General Gatchell Retires

On 31 December 1952 Brigadier General Oscar J. Gatchell retired as Professor and Head of the Department of Mechanics. The event marked the completion of more than forty years service as an officer, over seventeen of which were spent as an instructor or professor at the Military Academy. His advancement to the grade of Brigadier General on the Retired List was in recognition of his long and distinguished service as the head of his department and as a member of the Academic Board.

In the order announcing General Gatchell's retirement the Superintendent, Major General F. A. Irving, stated, "The congratulations hereby extended him upon the culmination of a most successful active career are nonetheless tinged with feelings of regret at the time of his departure on the part of all who have been associated with him. Acting for this entire command, I wish to assure Colonel Gatchell of the deep affection and high regard in which he is personally held, to thank him for his many splendid professional contributions to the administration of the United States Military Academy and to wish him a long, happy and active enjoyment of his well-earned retirement."

Surveying General Gatchell's career one is impressed with its logical development. His background, personal qualities, training and experience all seem to fall into a pattern making his selection to a professorship at West Point inevitable; and once appointed, he could not have failed to acquit himself with distinction.

General Gatchell's background was the "Old Army" at its best. He was born at Fort Adams, Rhode Island, on December 27, 1888. His father was Lieutenant George W. Gatchell, Class of 1887, a Rhode Islander, who spent part of his early service in the Indian fighting in the West and eventually commanded a brigade of Artillery in France in World War I, retiring in 1919 in the grade of Brigadier General. The son's early environment endowed him with the high personal standards of his New England heritage and raised him up in the ways of the Army in which he was to spend most of his life. It was inevitable that he should come to West Point.

Cadet Gatchell graduated on June 12, 1912, and was commissioned in the Coast Artillery Corps. In the following September he reported as a second lieutenant and student officer at Fort Monroe, Virginia. Thence, after completion of his basic course, he went in December to Fort Strong, Massachusetts, where he remained for nearly four years, serving in a company and then as post adjutant.

His natural bent for scientific and engineering studies led to a detail to the Ordnance Department. The detail eventually resulted in his transfer, and he remained in that branch of the Service until his appointment to the professorship of Mechanics at the Military Academy.

In September of 1916 he became a student at the Ordnance School of Technology, Watertown Arsenal, from which he graduated the following May. World War I had broken out in April, and now a captain, he was stationed at the arsenal, performing various duties including Commander of Troops, Officer in Charge of the Forge Plant, and Executive Officer. These were important duties, vital to the supply of the sinews of war. Their efficient performance was rewarded by his promotion to the grade of

Major in the National Army. Shortly afterwards, in March 1918, Major Gatchell was transferred to the War Department, in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance, where he organized and was in charge of a newly authorized Cost Estimating Section. This duty included the preparation and presentation to Congress of estimates of funds for the huge war time appropriations for the Ordnance Department. The following July he was again at Watertown Arsenal—this time in charge of the Projectile Department.

January 1919 found Gatchell, now Lieutenant Colonel, National Army, once more in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance, serving as Fiscal Officer and then as Executive Officer, which was a key position at that



time. It was during this period that "the great demotion" following the wind-up of World War I occurred. In common with all other regulars, Colonel Gatchell suffered a reduction in rank and pay; on July 1, 1920, he was again a major. The following October he became Ordnance Officer of the Third Corps Area in Baltimore, in which capacity he served until his detail in August 1921 as an instructor in the Department of Ordnance and Gunnery at West Point.

During his three years as an instructor Major Gatchell made a reputation at the Military Academy that was never forgotten. His professional competence, his technical knowledge and, above all, his great gifts as a teacher marked him as a man whom the Academy would call on again for still greater contributions to the accomplishment of its mission.

As anyone who has served in an academic department knows, the acid test of an instructor is his ability to cope with the "goats". Major Gatchell's patience was inexhaustible. He could simplify the most difficult problem; and he could make the abstruse understandable. To be assigned a "goat section" is both a compliment and, at the same time, a tremendous levy upon one's vitality. Major Gatchell taught "goat sections"; and the "goats" waited until he was scheduled to give extra instruction, before signing up. He was never a "Santa

Claus". His code of integrity forbade him to give unearned grades. Instead, he made his cadets understand the subject so that they could demonstrate their knowledge at the blackboard or on the "wrists". He was an instinctive psychologist who, although he had never been a "goat" himself, could penetrate the "goat mind" and appreciate the difficulties inherent in every problem. Perhaps the key to his genius as a teacher is his sympathetic understanding of other people. This quality also explains his success as an administrator and his effectiveness in winning friends for the Military Academy.

After his tour at West Point Major Gatchell served for three years, beginning in 1924, in command of the Panama Ordnance Depot and as Ordnance Officer of the Panama Canal Department. From there he went to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, from which he graduated in June of 1928. This event led to another four-year detail in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance where he was first War Plans Officer and later Executive Officer—positions of great responsibility and importance.

His next assignment was to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in July 1932, in charge of the Ordnance Unit of the ROTC and as ROTC Executive Officer. During this period he commanded camps of combined Ordnance ROTC units at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, and at Raritan Arsenal, New Jersey. It was also during this time, on August 1, 1935, that he received his permanent lieutenant colonelcy.

A year as a student officer at the Army War College, from which Colonel Gatchell graduated in June 1937, was followed by an extremely important assignment in the War Department. Colonel Gatchell was placed in charge of the Procurement Plans Division in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of War. In this capacity he was responsible for developing the enormous procurement program of the whole Army for both peace and war. It was a position of crucial importance, great complexity and weighty responsibility. He had just completed a year of this duty when he was called to West Point on July 1, 1938, to become Professor of Ordnance and Gunnery.

Had Colonel Gatchell consulted only his self-interest he probably would have declined the appointment. He had progressed in his branch of the Service to the point where future assignments of the broadest scope and importance were a certainty, and where eventual selection to general officer grade was a strong probability. Although the Professorship of Ordnance and Gunnery was a temporary, four-year detail at that time, it would nonetheless remove him from the main stream of professional advancement for a period that might have a crucial influence on his future prospects. Against these considerations duty and love of West Point were balanced. The heart weighed heavier than self-interest, and Colonel Gatchell accepted the call.

He had been at West Point only two years when the final and irrevocable decision presented itself. He was asked by the Superintendent, General Benedict, and the Academic Board to accept the permanent professorship of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, about to be vacated by the retirement of its distinguished and much beloved incumbent, Colonel Clifton C. Carter.

The offer was flattering, but it involved renouncing forever the worldly fruits of a lifetime of assiduous preparation for military advancement. Years of superior performance in positions at first humble and then lofty, years of post-graduate study technical and military, graduation from the much-coveted Command and General Staff School and from the top school of all, the Army War College, whose students were the élite of the Army, must be sacrificed, at least so it seemed, in order to become a professor. It was a hard choice; especially for one who could almost surely count on one, two, or perhaps more stars on his shoulder before retirement should overtake him. There were already prospects of a great enlargement of the Army with correspondingly rapid advance in rank as world events assumed an increasingly ominous aspect. On the other hand there was the opportunity at West Point to help guide and preserve the Military Academy through the difficult years ahead, the chance to lead and prepare aspiring youths for the ordeals they must face, and the prospect of fortifying the Army and the Nation with young men possessing the mind, character and stamina to lead and to fight. For a man of Colonel Gatchell's straightforward principles and unselfish devotion to duty there could be but one choice; and he made it. General Benedict was at first afraid that he would not accept; and then he was afraid that the Chief of Ordnance would be unwilling to part with so valuable an officer. The General wrote of the appointment, "I hope it will be approved as I consider him exceptionally well qualified for the job". Happily for West Point, the War Department approved, and Colonel Gatchell became Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy on August 1, 1940. He received his temporary eagles the following November, and they were made permanent on February 1, 1942. After the name of his department was changed to modernize it and to reflect more accurately its present function, his title was changed to correspond and he was designated Professor of Mechanics on February 11, 1943.

Many an appointee has failed to fulfill the expectations of the person who selected him, but such was not the case with Colonel Gatchell. Major General Jay L. Benedict, in writing of him recently, declared, "I am well aware of the high standard of personal and official conduct and of the ability and efficiency that have characterized Colonel Gatchell's career. Through observation and contact I am especially conversant with his outstanding service from the time of his appointment as a permanent professor until the termination of my tour of duty as Superintendent, the appointment having been made during my tour.

"Colonel Gatchell was deeply devoted to the United States Military Academy and constantly strove to serve its interests. He was alert, conscientious and thorough and applied to each problem with which confronted, broad knowledge, vision and good judgment. He was a most valuable member of the Academic Board and was selected for many important committees and other assignments. His performance of duty in all of his activities was of a uniformly high order and of lasting benefit to the Academy.

"In my opinion the service of Colonel Gatchell during my tour of duty was distinguished."

Lieutenant General R. L. Eichelberger, who succeeded General Benedict, recently wrote to General Irving, "I have served as Superintendent of the Military Academy. In that capacity I have observed and profited by the loyal and brilliant service of Colonel Gatchell. It is my hope that this fine officer be recommended by you for re-

tirement in the grade of Brigadier General. In that way his country will show its gratitude and appreciation for work well done."

Major General Francis B. Wilby, who was Superintendent through most of World War II, wrote to Colonel Gatchell on leaving West Point, "The war years brought us many new problems and I relied heavily for their solution on the advice and experience of you and the other members of the Academic Board. I particularly appreciate the work you did in connection with the Board of Consultants, as well as on the Air Policy and Four-Year Course Committees. Your help was invaluable in adapting our curriculum to the demands of war time, and I know it will be of equal value to my successor as West Point reverts to a peacetime program."

A very condensed statement of Colonel Gatchell's wartime contribution to the Military Academy is to be found in the citation with which he was awarded the Legion of Merit. It reads as follows:

Colonel Oscar J. Gatchell administered with exceptional ability the Department of Mechanics at the United States Military Academy from January 1942 to August 1945. Through his progressiveness, energy and good judgment, he was a vital force in adapting the Academy to the demands of war, and in devising a new curriculum for the transition to peace. As a member of the Academic Board and other important policy-making boards and committees, he contributed in high degree to the success of the Military Academy.

Such a bare recital cannot begin to tell all of the things that made Colonel Gatchell's wartime service at West Point noteworthy; nor can this article cover, except in barest outline, his multifarious activities and their lasting significance. It would be futile to attempt to relate in detail his many visits to technical and engineering schools, by which he garnered progressive ideas for the reorganization of the courses in his department and for more general application in his capacity as a member of successive curriculum committees. We cannot follow him on his frequent trips to the various training centers where he kept in touch with the latest developments in military techniques and, at the same time, queried young graduates and their superior officers as to the adequacies and deficiencies of their West Point training.

Only the technically instructed could appreciate the revolutionary changes made in course content and laboratory instruction in the Department of Mechanics during the past twelve years. The pre-war "old grad" would be bewildered by the wealth of new apparatus in the hydraulics and thermodynamics laboratories. The Testing Materials Laboratory would be entirely new to him. He would be amazed to hear the deafening roar of the turbo-jet engine, emanating from the Riding Hall, instead of the gentle whinnies that used to express a request for more oats or an extra lump of sugar in the "good old days".

In all of these details one should not overlook the vital importance of Colonel Gatchell's service as Executive Secretary to two Boards of Consultants, two Boards of Visitors and to the Science and Engineering Panel of the Service Academy Board. He was literally the "work horse" of all of them, preparing their agenda, escorting them, entertaining them, explaining the significance of what they saw, and helping them draft their lengthy, detailed reports. It is easy to forget now that West Point was the subject of ill-informed, and sometimes venomous, criticism at the end of the war. A hostile or adverse report by

any one of these boards could well have spelt the end of the Military Academy.

It would be presumptuous of this writer to attempt to penetrate the inner councils to which he was not a party, in order to assess the credit due to Colonel Gatchell for the favorable outcome of these visits. He can, however, quote from the letter which the then Superintendent, Major General Bryant E. Moore, wrote to Colonel Gatchell on 28 April 1949. It read as follows:

1. As titular head of the United States Military Academy, I wish to commend you and to thank you for your superior work with the Board of Visitors which has recently completed its work under the New Public Law 816. Your thorough and complete preparation for the reception of this Board of Visitors and your careful and painstaking attention to the infinity of details involved, were of most significant value to West Point.

2. The cheerful willingness with which you devoted many hours of your time to this project was an inspiration to all who were concerned with the Board of Visitors. You gave many hours, both day and night, to this work; you spent your time in the company of the Board; you used your own resources to entertain its various members; and you spared no pains or effort in order to present West Point in its most favorable light.

3. Your work is most highly commendable and deserves the appreciation of all; I therefore take great pleasure in forwarding this official recognition of your effective labors.

The following year General Moore wrote in less formal vein:

I should like to thank you officially for the splendid piece of work which the Report of the Board of Visitors represents. This is a magnificent document, and I hope we can give it wide distribution after the restriction is lifted. Your hard work and your effective handling of the Board of Visitors are greatly appreciated.

I realize that it takes a great deal of your valuable time, and even of your private funds to take care of and entertain the Board. West Point is indebted to you for your valuable work.

Another post-war activity of Colonel Gatchell's should be mentioned here. As a member of the Steering Group of the Sesquicentennial Committee and Chairman of the Jubilee Committee he contributed largely and effectively to the planning and execution of the functions that made the celebration such a success. He placed his wisdom and long experience of West Point and the Army at the disposal of the Committee at every stage of the operation and was unsparing of himself in devoting his time and energy to the accomplishment of the objective. In this as in other ways, which have already been mentioned, he was an exceedingly important agent in bringing the Military Academy to the favorable attention of visiting educators and dignitaries.

Since October 1945 Colonel Gatchell has served on the Chapel Board, now designated the Cadet Religious Welfare Board to convey more accurately the all-embracing extent of its interest and influence over the spiritual life of cadets of all faiths. For the past two years he has been its chairman. His own sincere devotion to his Christian faith and his energetic and practical approach to the impartial advance-

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SCUSA IV

Fourth Student Conference, United States Affairs

By CAPTAIN A. A. JORDAN,
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The fourth Student Conference on United States Affairs continued, in the tradition of its predecessors, to add to West Point's contribution in the field of undergraduate education in international affairs. The 1952 conference, jointly sponsored by the United States Military Academy and the Carnegie Corporation, had a two-fold objective: to produce an orderly and informative discussion of "A United States Policy Against Soviet Communism" and to broaden students' associations with their collegiate contemporaries. This article is intended to outline the organization and techniques employed and to indicate the values of such a conference at West Point.

Trudging up the hill from the West Shore station toward the Administration Building can be, as any graduate will testify, an inspiring as well as a tiring experience. The 100 undergraduates from 50 universities and colleges who came to West Point as delegates to the fourth annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs found that not only that first impression of the Academy but their whole experience from December 3 to 6 fitted the formula: tiring but inspiring. Tiring, they agreed, because of the exacting timetable to which the conference was geared and because of the juxtaposition of cadet rising hours and civilian nocturnal habits—inspiring because of the intellectual challenge of both the conference's subject and its setting.

Following a pattern originally borrowed from faculty seminars conducted by the

Brookings Institution and developed over the past three student conferences, SCUSA IV opened Wednesday evening with a plenary session consisting of a pair of addresses on the conference theme. Lt. Gen. Lyman Lemnitzer, Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Research, Dept. of the Army, outlined "The Nature of the Soviet Threat," giving particular emphasis to the military aspects of the topic. Dr. Hardy C. Dillard, (USMA 1924), Professor of Law at the University of Virginia, discussed the problems attendant to "Arresting the Soviet Threat—Non-Military Factors." Both addresses were of exceptionally fine caliber, so that the conference's tone was pitched high from the outset.

Immediately after the first plenary session the conferees adjourned to the Weapons Room in the Gymnasium for a *kaffeeklatsch*, during which the student participants had a chance to question and to exchange views with the evening's speakers and other senior personnel.

Thursday morning, rainy and early, the first round table sessions began. To facilitate discussion the conference subject—"A United States Policy Against Soviet Communism"—was viewed from four approaches: political, economic, moral and psychological, and military. Meanwhile, twenty-four cadets and eight midshipmen from Annapolis had joined their civilian contemporaries, so that when the group was divided into eight tables there were approximately seventeen conferees per table. Two tables concentrated on each of the four different

facets of the general topic. Led by faculty chairmen, who were carefully selected from half a dozen participating institutions, these round table groups buckled down to five periods (13 hours in all) of serious analysis of United States policy objectives and the alternative courses available to accomplish them. Basic assumptions were questioned, proposals examined, points hammered home, refutations developed, rebuttals rebutted and tentative conclusions drawn in such a spirited fashion that the chairmen had usually to select one hand among the many seeking recognition. As one student said later, "I never imagined there could be so many points of view and such convincing arguments for every one of them." By the end of the fifth meeting each pair of round tables had worked out, through the use of subcommittees, an agreed joint report on their special aspect of the conference subject.

Since students frequently underestimate the complexity of decision making processes, a panel discussion was inserted into the program Thursday evening. Presenting the factors and problems involved in making foreign policy decisions from the points of view of the State Department, the Defense Department, Congress, and the press and public were Dr. Leo Pasvolosky, Brookings Institution, Col. G. A. Lincoln, Dept. of Social Sciences, USMA, Dr. Albert Westphal, Staff Consultant to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives, and Mr. Saville Davis of the *Christian Science Monitor*, respectively. After each panelist had had his say, the student conferees were given their opportunity to direct questions to the panel. They were still vigorously doing so when, long after taps, Col. Lincoln finally called the session to a halt.

Highlighting the banquet session on Friday evening, December 5th, was the address of Mr. Edwin Wright, Bureau of Near Eastern, South Asian, and African Affairs, Department of State. Mr. Wright, who has spent the larger part of his life in the area upon which he spoke, discussed the "Action and Interaction Between the Western World and Asia." After pointing out the cultural contrast between East and West he selected examples of recent American policies and traced their effects upon various Eastern nations. Already impressed in the opening plenary and in the panel discussion with the magnitude and complexity of the problems, the divergence of views within our nation, and the difficulties of reconciling these differences in agreed policies, the students left the banquet with a fresh appreciation of the far-reaching implications of American actions and the consequent necessity for carefully weighing words and measures.

The conference's final plenary meeting on Saturday afternoon, December 6th, was devoted to the presentation and discussion of the reports of each pair of round tables. Serving as chairman, perhaps "holding the ring" would be a more apt job description, was Col. Herman Beukema of the Dept. of Social Sciences. Reporting for the various paired tables were William Marsh, Cornell,



Economic Round Table C in Session in the Library's Military Room. . .



Round Table E Wrestling with a Moral and Psychological Problem. .

Steve Dune, Clark University, Patricia Price, Bryn Mawr, and William Parker, New York University.

Although the reports were general rather than specific in their content, several areas of disagreement came to light as soon as discussion from the floor was permitted. Disputes focused primarily on three issues: whether the threat was essentially from traditional Soviet imperialism or from a militant ideology, the extent to which the Communist Party, USA, should be tolerated, and the amount and kind of encouragement we should give toward "Titoization" within the Soviet satellites.

While the round table discussions and reports brought to light the diversity of opinions existing on American campuses, they also revealed the mature approach and sound judgment which selected college seniors can bring to bear on foreign affairs problems. On the one hand, conferees displayed a certain amount of undesirable but understandable reluctance to face up to situations which have no apparent, once-and-for-all solutions; on the other hand, however, veteran SCUSA observers concurred in the remark made by one of their number that "if the delegates to SCUSA IV are indicative of the trend of collegiate and general public opinion, then there has been a marked improvement in the past four years, both in information and attitudes." Another experienced faculty observer summed up his reaction to the conference by stating that the "discussions of the students were more lively and stimulating and often on no less a high plane than discussions at a similar faculty conference which I attended recently."

While perhaps not generally so glowing as the foregoing quotation, the comments of all the senior personnel added up to the fact that the speakers, chairmen, advisers, and observers felt that the conference accomplished its objectives to a remarkable degree. One should pause to note that whatever success the conference may have attained was in large measure due to the willing cooperation and assistance of these selfsame individuals. Coming from other educational institutions, private foundations, and government organizations, the

so-called "senior personnel" were indispensable in the conference's execution.

The actual conference administration was shared by the Cadet Forum and the Department of Social Sciences. Cadet J. W. Seigle, Chairman of SCUSA IV, had a staff of approximately 100 cadets working on various facets of the administrative task. Most of these young men, whose labors were unanimously endorsed by senior and student participants as providing the smoothest running conference in their ex-

perience, had no chance to participate in the sessions—their sole reward for many hours of work was the satisfaction of a job well done.

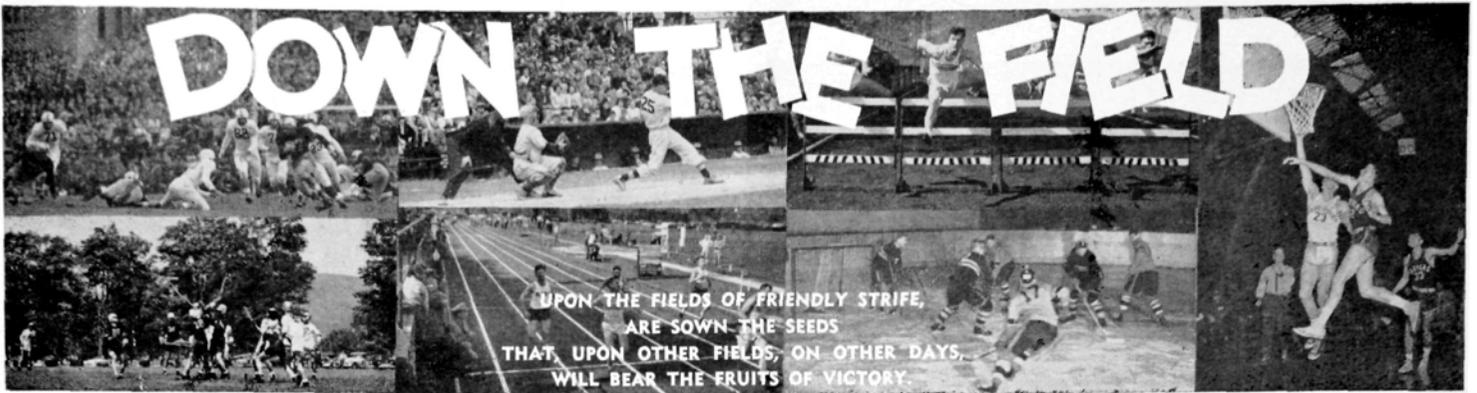
The final assessment of such an undertaking as SCUSA must rest with the student delegates. Did they learn anything—was the experience worthwhile? Completed questionnaires are just beginning to come back from conferees as this article goes to press, but the consensus of student opinion is already clear. Their remarks fall naturally into two categories: one on the conference itself, the other on West Point. As to the former, quotations already abound to the effect that "this has been the most illuminating academic experience I have ever had" or "Never before have I been a part of such sustained enthusiasm" or "I could go on praising SCUSA IV endlessly."

Perhaps even more significant to the Academy and to the readers of this magazine is the other type of comment which has been received: "What a surprise and pleasure to find that West Point is not at all a military factory in which the cadets are robots and their instructors martinets." Astonishment was so general upon discovering "intellectual freedom at West Point, with cadets and instructors meeting to exchange ideas freely" as to suggest that the nation's universities provide a very large public relations challenge to the Academy. Virtually all participants volunteered statements to the effect that SCUSA IV went a long way toward meeting that challenge—as one college dean put it, "Finally, and apart from all other purposes served by the conference, I think it is one of the finest possible public relations activities which the Academy could undertake." A foreign student, representing a Southern college, gave what was to this observer the supreme and final accolade when he summed up his reaction to the conference by saying "I learned a lot; but the most important thing was that if I ever become influential in my own country, I shall see to it that we have a military academy as much like West Point as possible."



Panel Discussion of the Difficulties of Formulating Foreign Policy.

Left to Right—Mr. Saville Davis, Christian Science Monitor; Dr. Albert Westphal, Staff Consultant to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives; Colonel George A. Lincoln, Department of Social Sciences, USMA; Dr. Leo Pasvolsky, Brookings Institution.



By Joe Cahill

The Gloom Period may not be so gloomy at least as far as athletics are concerned.

Hard-pressed to maintain a .500 average over the past six seasons, the basketball quintet appears headed for a highly successful campaign in this 50th anniversary season.

Coach Elmer Ripley, in his second year here, has come up with what appears to be a winning combination. The team won its first three starts, averaging 79 points a game. In Bill Hannon, Captain and Second Classman, the Cadets boast one of the top five scorers in the country and one of the leaders in rebounds. Hannon averaged 26 points a game over the first three starts and is almost certain to compile a new season's individual scoring mark. He set the current record of 277 points last winter. Ed Weaver, Dick Reich and Dick Littlefield are others who are helping the resurgence.

Track, likewise, figures to be strong. The loss of incomparable Dick Shea weakens the scoring potential, but the return of Bruce Hardy, sprinter, Captain Joe Perlow, pole vaulter, and Lew Olive, distance runner, helps take up the slack. Hardy and Perlow are outdoor Heptagonal champions, while Olive captured the Heptagonal cross country diadem last fall.

The gymnastic team has been the most successful of all winter sports over the past three seasons. The last time Coach Tom Maloney's protegés were defeated was in 1949. Since then the tumblers have registered 23 straight triumphs and three successive Eastern Intercollegiate championships.

As for the other sports, boxing and wrestling each has a defending champion back. Al Paulekas, football captain, is light heavyweight wrestling titlist, while Carl Crews wears the 156 pound boxing crown.

The football records of 1952 have been shelved and practically forgotten. Not much can be added from this corner. However, the successes of some of our opponents are significant. Southern California won the Pacific Coast Championship and then proved itself by beating Wisconsin, Big Ten representative, in the Rose Bowl. Except for two breaks, Army would have gone into the fourth period in a scoreless deadlock with the Trojans. Georgia Tech had a comparatively easy time with undefeated Mississippi in the Sugar Bowl to climax a second straight perfect slate. Pennsylvania was the best in the Ivy League, but not too good for Army, who came away with a sparkling 14 to 13 last minute victory in the highlight of the season. Navy had its best team in five years, good enough to entertain an Orange Bowl bid. Pittsburgh whipped Notre Dame who in turn trounced many of the Nation's best. All of which goes to prove the task that confronted this Cadet squad. Yes, the 4-4-1 record is mediocre by some standards. But all things considered, it was a job well done.

Unbeatable the past two seasons, cross-country lost two dual meets, but managed to win the big one. Coach Nate Cartmell's harriers, led by Lew Olive, captured the

Heptagonal title for the sixth straight year. Soccer enjoyed another successful season, although losing a match for the first time in two years. West Chester Teachers managed the upset, 2 to 1, midway through the season. That was the only loss in ten starts, as Coach Joe Palone continues to build a remarkable record with the booters.

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LeRoy Lunn, a guard the past two seasons, became the sixty-fourth football captain at an election of lettermen. A native of Spring Valley, Illinois, Lunn is one of the few Army players to see action on both offense and defense, playing both ways in virtually all nine games. Lunn follows the steps of his brother Bobby, who was a regular guard on the unbeaten elevens of 1948 and 1949. He succeeds Al Paulekas.

A nine-game football schedule for 1953 was recently announced by Colonel Phil Draper, Graduate Manager of Athletics. Dates and places are as follows:

- September 26—New York University at West Point.
- October 3—Northwestern at Evanston, Illinois.
- 10—Dartmouth at West Point.
- 17—Duke at the Polo Grounds in New York.
- 24—Columbia at West Point.
- 31—Tulane at New Orleans.
- November 7—North Carolina State at West Point.
- 14—Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.
- 21—Open.
- 28—Navy at Philadelphia.



ARMY CROSS COUNTRY SQUAD—1952

First Row (Left to Right)—William Almon, Earl Singer, Bill Cory, Robert Wray, James Healy, Dick Neu, Lewis Olive.
 Second Row—James Loedding (Manager), Everett Luoma, John Cohan, Edward Dinges, James Effer, James Johnson, Paul Erickson, Bob Day, Nate Cartmell (Coach).



ARMY SOCCER SQUAD—1952

First Row (Left to Right)—Tom VanNatta, Angel Ravelo, Francis Adams, Jack Yale, Ira Black, William Wix.
 Second Row—James Fraher, Curtis Brewer, John Toman, Jack Hughes, Fred Smith (Captain), Louis Kaufman, James Bambrerry, Robert Rose, James Bowen (Manager), George Hilt (Assistant Manager).
 Third Row—Major R. W. Clark (Officer Representative), Frank Snyder, Guy Whitney, Ted Saville, Ray Garey, James Obendorfer, Arthur Shaw, Andre Broumas, Richard Kavanaugh, Joseph Palone (Coach).
 Last Row—William Hilsman, Robert Strickland, Evert Druge, Gerald VanValkenburg, Robert Jones, Richard Johnson, William Davis, John Eckhardt.
 NOTE—The Army Soccer Team won the Ivy League Championship for the third successive year. Their over-all record for the season was Won 7, Lost 1, Tied 1.

U. S. M. A. WINTER SPORTS 1952-53

(With Scores to Include 24 January)
(All Contests at West Point Unless Otherwise Indicated)

BASKETBALL

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
December 17	67	Ithaca College61
19	86	Middlebury College76
January 3	84	Williams College60
7	77	Brandeis University86
10	64	Brown56
14	70	Yale67
17	83	Rutgers—at New Brunswick75
21	55	Amherst53
24	54	Fordham63
28		St. Michael's College
31		Syracuse—at Syracuse
February 4		Swarthmore
7		Columbia
11		Colgate
14		Pennsylvania—at Philadelphia....
18		Dartmouth
21		Harvard
25		Lehigh
28		Navy—at Annapolis

BOXING

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 17	5	Catholic University—at Wash- ington, D. C.3
24	2½	Michigan State College5½
21		Syracuse
February 7		City College of New York
14		University of Virginia—at Char- lottesville
21		University of Maryland
March 7		Penn State—at State College, Penna.
14		Intercollegiates—at Syracuse....

FENCING

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 3	7	New York University20
10	17	Fordham10
17	11	Lehigh16
31		Triangular—Columbia
February 7		Pennsylvania
14		Harvard
21		Princeton—at Princeton
28		Pentagonal—at New York
March 7		Navy—at Annapolis
13 & 14		City College of New York—at New York
		Intercollegiates—at New Haven

GYMNASTICS

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 17	66½	Swiss Gymnastic Society43½
24	63	West Chester State Teachers College30
February 7		Syracuse—at Syracuse
14		University of North Carolina....
28		Temple
March 7		Navy
14		Penn State—at State College, Penna.
27 & 28		Intercollegiates—at West Point
		NCAA—at Syracuse

HOCKEY

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 7	3	Providence 6
10	5	Amherst Hockey Club 2
14	5	Princeton 4
17	8	Hamilton—at Clinton, N. Y. 0
21	4	Springfield 2
24	0	Boston University 4
28		Norwich University
31		Clarkson College of Technology..

RIFLE

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
December 13	1431	Georgetown University1381
January 10	(canceled)	University of Buffalo—at Buffalo
17	1406	St. John's—at New York.....1412
24	1414	Maryland1437
31		U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
February 7		New York University
		City College of New York
		Triangular at City College
14		Cornell
21		Triangular—Fordham
		City College of New York
28		Navy—at Annapolis
March 7		Intercollegiates—(Site to be announced)

SQUASH

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
December 17	8	Trinity College 1
January 10	6	Massachusetts Institute of Tech- nology—at Cambridge 3
10	3	Harvard—at Cambridge 6
14	6	Williams College 3
17	5	Princeton 4
31		Amherst—at Amherst
February 7		Yale—at New Haven
11		Fordham
14		Dartmouth
21		Pennsylvania—at Philadelphia....
28		Navy
March 6, 7 & 8		Intercollegiates—at West Point..

SWIMMING

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 10	56	Brown 28
17	59	Pennsylvania—at Philadelphia 24
24	(canceled)	Dartmouth
31		Fordham
February 7		Yale—at New Haven
11		Colgate
14		Harvard—at Cambridge
18		Lehigh
21		University of Pittsburgh.....
25		Columbia
28		Navy
March 7		Princeton—at Princeton
19, 20 & 21		Intercollegiates — at Cam- bridge

TRACK

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 17	54	Manhattan College 55
24	(canceled)	Dartmouth
31		Penn State
February 7		New York Athletic Club—at New York
14		Princeton
21		IC4A—at New York
March 7		Heptagonals—at Ithaca, N. Y.

WRESTLING

Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 10	22	Brown 10
17	16	Yale 10
24	6	University of Pittsburgh—at Pittsburgh 20
31		Syracuse—at Syracuse
February 7		Harvard—at Cambridge
14		Lehigh
18		Pennsylvania
21		Columbia—at New York.....
25		Cornell
March 7		Penn State—at State College, Penna.
14		Intercollegiates—at Princeton

BULLETIN BOARD

General Crittenberger Honored at West Point on Eve of His Retirement From Active Duty



General Crittenberger talks to the Brigade Staff, U.S.C.C., following the review held in his honor.

Lieutenant General Willis D. Crittenberger, then Commanding General, First Army, and West Point's oldest graduate on active line duty until his retirement on December 31, 1952, was the official guest of the Superintendent on December 13, 1952.

Upon his arrival at West Point General Crittenberger was tendered a fifteen gun salute and a Guard of Honor composed of members of the 1802d Special Regiment. He was then the guest of honor at a luncheon on the balcony of the Cadet Dining Hall.

In the afternoon General Crittenberger received a Review of the Corps of Cadets and, with Mrs. Crittenberger, visited various athletic events, accompanied by General and Mrs. Irving.

Prior to their departure for New York City in the late afternoon the Crittenbergers were guests of honor at a reception in the Superintendent's quarters.

During his long and distinguished career as an Army officer, General Crittenberger served two tours of duty at West Point after his graduation in 1913. From 1916 to 1918 he was an instructor in the Department of Drawing and from 1919 to 1923 he was a Tactical Officer.

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The following telegram was received at West Point on January 3, 1953:

BRIG. GEN. CHAUNCEY L. FENTON, PRESIDENT, ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES, USMA. PLEASE ACCEPT SINCERE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO YOU AND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES. ON THE OCCASION OF MY RETIREMENT I REAFFIRM FAITH IN THE IMMUTABLE TRADITIONS OF OUR ALMA MATER AND CONFIDENCE IN THE ABILITY OF THE ASSOCIATION TO PERPETUATE AND INTERPRET FOR POSTERITY THE PATRIOT'S SYMBOL OF SELFLESS DEDICATION AND SERVICE WHICH IS WEST POINT. SIGNED CRITTENBERGER.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES—PLEASE NOTE!

The Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Association of Graduates, U.S.M.A. which is considering ways and means of developing greater interest and participation by members of the Association in its affairs, has met several times and is now in the process of sampling membership opinion. The Committee, consisting of Gatchell, '12; Bellinger, June '18; Bartlett, '19; DeGraaf, '20; and Ely, '44; hopes to have some specific recommendations ready by late Spring.

151st Anniversary, U.S.M.A.

While members of the Corps, we daily shared with each other the spirit, tradition and atmosphere of our Alma Mater. Although West Point is growing older and more revered with the passing of time, we, the keepers of its tradition, should not only pause to reflect upon its age and importance but should assemble wherever possible to pay tribute to the Corps on its 151st Anniversary on March 16, 1953. By so doing, as groups of former members of the Corps, we not only meet friends and classmates but also revive and relive the Spirit of our Alma Mater—the Spirit that plays so important a part in our lives.

The Association of Graduates will give all assistance possible to the chairmen of these anniversary gatherings and will furnish a mimeographed list of all known gatherings, with dates, if such information is given to the Association in time to be reproduced and disseminated. Frequently requests are received by the Association for a program to be used on these occasions. In this connection, it is believed appropriate to state that the program of each gathering is generally one dictated or influenced by the expected attendance, and that no sample program would prove of great help. However, the Association will be glad to furnish suggestions for a typical program if such are requested.

As information of possible value to those arranging programs, there are available at West Point:

Phonograph Records—an album of 4 records, typical music of West Point, which may be purchased directly from the West Point Army Mess. These records are either standard-playing (price \$3.75) or long-playing (price \$2.75). Prices include insured postage.

Song Book: A book of West Point Songs, compiled by the Cadet Chapel Organist. Mr. Mayer, is on sale at the West Point Exchange. Price \$1.35, including postage.

Interchanges of messages of greetings between West Point gatherings are always appreciated, and in order that they may retain the personal touch, it is requested that they be sent directly, and not through the Association of Graduates.

—John A. McComsey, '24
Colonel, Artillery
Secretary of the
Association of Graduates, USMA.

NO EXCUSE, SIR!

West Point, N. Y., Apr. 6 1952

Memorandum for the Commandant:

The Battalion Board recommends the following punishment for
 Cadet *Reinhardt*
 6 demerits,
 32 punishment tours,
 confinements.
 (one) months confinement to restricted limits.

Remarks:

Approved: *[Signature]*
[Signature]

"316 Aliso Drive SE,
Albuquerque, New Mexico,
December 7, 1952.

Colonel Charles N. Branham,
Editor, *Assembly*,
381 Fourth Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

Dear Charley:

You don't know how I hate to correct a most serious error appearing on page 6 of the October 1952, issue of *Assembly*!

At the top of the third column, you exhibit a picture of three well known gentlemen and refer to them as 'members of the original Battalion Board.'

Shame on you and your member of the Class of 1922 for not remembering that the original Battalion Board consisted of Butcher, Buckner and another Major by the name of HUGH LAWSON WALTHALL. The Battalion Board was operating as early as 1920, when Major Bonesteel was tactical officer of C Company.

Certainly you remember "Pop" Walthall as a drawing card at those YMCA lectures on those dreary Sunday evenings with his own recital of how Bugler Calvin P. Titus won the Congressional Medal of Honor for scaling the gates of the Forbidden City at Peking. He would always top off his story by adding: 'And as a reward Teddy Roosevelt appointed him to West Point.' To those not yet recovered from Xmas Leave Blues, yet already dreaming of furlough, this remark always brought long and loud laughs.

You may verify my correction to your otherwise well edited periodical by referring to pages 22 and 23 of the 1921 Howitzer.

I realize that even the Howitzer can be in error. So if you are still of a doubting mind, I am enclosing herewith a memorandum (see cut) which I received one day in 1921. Your attention is invited to three sets of initials in the lower right hand corner. They appear to me to be 'E.B.', 'S.B.B.' and 'H.L.W.' I wish further to invite your attention to certain initials appearing in the lower left hand corner in red ink. They appear to be 'R.M.D.'. Let it be remember-

ed that without 'R.M.D.', the other initials would have carried no weight!

Sincerely,

(Sgd) DRUMMOND, '23.

PS—If you care to print this memorandum you are at liberty to do so. In the cause of historical accuracy, I think you ought to. But please return it to me.
GBD."

1st Ind.

1. The report is correct.
2. The offense was unintentional.

—Ed.

WEST POINT MUSEUM COMPLETES COLLECTION

Through the generosity of Mr. Christian A. Zabriskie the West Point Museum has had the good fortune to acquire a 1795 Springfield Musket, a rare flintlock that represents the first Long Arm produced in a United States government arsenal. Here is the silent, surviving symbol of the early Republic's first efforts to be self-sufficient in equipping its meager Army. The importance of the donation surpasses the intrinsic merits of the well-preserved weapon itself, however, for the event marks the completion of the Museum's collection of U. S. Martial Long Arms. A unique display now traces an unbroken line of development from the French Charleville Musket of 1763 to the Garand, an exhibit that is a source of justifiable pride.

By a happy coincidence the December issue of the *American Rifleman* featured an article, "West Point's Museum", written by Mr. Herb Glass, a Small Arms expert and Honorary Curator of the Museum. Mr. Glass, who succeeded in procuring the Museum's fine 1795 Springfield after years of searching, considers its Small Arms collections outstanding. He is confident that the article will attract the nation-wide attention of a host of collectors and Arms specialists who have been unaware of the Museum's hidden treasures and have too long neglected them.

Cadet Voting Record

For the past 20 years, the cadets' instruction in political science has included the effort to make them aware of their primary, basic status as citizens, by virtue of the federal Constitution and the constitutions of their several states. Accordingly, they have been urged to exercise their rights as voters in their home states, insofar as state laws make provision for absentee voting.

In the 1952 election, cadet response to the opportunity ran materially higher than in previous elections. Also, it topped the nation-wide record of eligible voters by a big margin. Inasmuch as all voting was by absentee ballot, the figures listed below indicate the cadets' awareness of the first obligation of a citizen.

Corps Totals—Eligible Voters, 993; Voted, 742; Percentage, 74.72.

Military Topography and Graphics (Continued from page 5)

cadets an elementary foundation in Map Reading for their Plebe Tactics courses.

A second Tactics course is presented to the new Yearlings at Camp Buckner early in their summer schedule. It is a concentrated review of Elementary Map Reading

and the Use of the Compass, concluding with a point-to-point field map exercise. Each Yearling company attends this course for one full 8-hour instructional day. It reviews Map Reading and Terrain Appreciation for use in Summer training, combat and field exercises.

The majority of instructors in the Department are Regular Army or Air Force officers who have signified their desire to return to the Department and whose accomplishments while cadets and officers warrant their selection. At present the Department has several Reserve Officer instructors, who are making valuable contributions to our teaching effort. New instructors are required to report to the Department on approximately 1 July, two months prior to the start of the academic year. During July and August, all new instructors are trained for their teaching assignments by undergoing an intensive course in the subjects they are to teach. This course, in addition to including the work given to cadets, includes background reading and instruction far beyond cadet level. Throughout their tours of duty instructors visit industrial and military installations, attend professional meetings and study up-to-date technical literature, all applicable to departmental instruction, in order to become familiar with the latest graphic and topographic practices and developments. Each instructor is a member of a committee with the mission to study a particular phase of the course in order to utilize knowledge gained through outside study to improve and modernize course content and presentation.

Since 1929, the Department has occupied its present premises on the top floor of Washington Hall, which also houses the Cadet Mess. They consist of three large drafting rooms (total capacity 400 drafting desks), Department executive and administrative offices, offices for both the Graphics and Topography Divisions, a modern Lecture Hall (400 seating capacity), library and conference room, equipment storage facilities, and facilities for making charts and teaching aids of all types, a map library containing overall coverage of Army Map Service maps, and additional space on the 6th floor tower now used by the Cadet Art Club. These facilities have been adequate to date through two expansions of the Corps. The Department is eternally indebted to the foresighted planning of Brigadier General Roger G. Alexander, who was the Head of the Department when the present facilities were designed. They are unquestionably among the finest college Engineering Drawing laboratories in the country. Recently instruction facilities have been modernized by constructing alcoves along one side of each drafting room. Alcoves are fitted to provide a small enclosure where instructors may assemble their individual sections for explanations with minimum inter-section interference. Additional major renovations include elimination of drafting room skylights concurrent with the installation of modern fluorescent drafting room lighting to minimize section room eye strain.

The Department's principal need at the moment is the replacement of cadet drafting desks. The present equipment is of the same type that was used during the latter part of the 19th Century. Plans for replacement are under way and we patiently await the "availability of funds"

The Department is especially proud of its annual Christmas "Open House" for Plebes, their parents and guests. Each year, immediately following Christmas, the Department displays old cadet work, new cadet work, departmental facilities, and most of its foyer displays. Last year approximately 500 cadet parents and guests attended the "Open House"

General Gatchell Retires

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ment of the interests of all religious groups in the Corps have brought him recognition as a dynamic force for good at the Military Academy.

One could go on and on, did space permit, relating the many services performed by Colonel Gatchell as a member of important standing boards and committees. Instead we shall summarize his work in the words of Lieutenant General Maxwell D. Taylor, who wrote as follows:

I have known Colonel Gatchell over many years during his service, both as an instructor and as a professor at West Point. During my tour as Superintendent from September 1945 to January 1949, he was one of the "strong men" of the Academic Board and an invaluable member of the Academic Staff. In addition to administering a highly effective academic department, he was a source of sound counsel in many matters of broad policy confronting the Superintendent. His service at West Point has been truly "long and distinguished" in the intent of the above-cited Personnel Act. I strongly recommend that Colonel Gatchell be retired in the grade of Brigadier General.

Now that the Secretary of the Army has approved the unanimous request of the six Superintendents and the two Deans of the Academic Board under whom Colonel Gatchell served as Professor, and when, by direction of the President of the United States, he enters upon his retirement in the grade of Brigadier General, his friends salute him with pride and affection. It is at such moments that graduates realize what it means to be a West Pointer. It is then that they know why "The Long Gray Line" is a phrase packed with such emotion.

The writer feels that it is those who served *under* General Gatchell who should have the last word. No superior ever looked after the interests of "his own" more than he did. No professor ever thought more constantly in terms of the welfare of his instructors. This interest was not perfunctory; it was sincere and deeply felt. It manifested itself in a thousand ways, both great and small. Although he commanded one of the really "tough" departments from the standpoint of necessary demands on time and effort, and he had to be exacting in standards of performance, he was always human, approachable, and indefatigable in promoting the welfare of his instructors and their families.

At this point it is necessary to include Mrs. Gatchell. One could not appreciate the General's career in its fullness without taking her into account. Her instinctive graciousness and her unusual intellectual gifts played an important part in favorably influencing visiting educators and foreign dignitaries; but her natural hospitality and easy social grace gave cadets of limited opportunity an insight into the standards of the "Old Army". Her drawing room was a proving ground for future instructors and a course in etiquette for young couples who still felt uncertain of themselves. Taken together, she and General Gatchell represented an ideal of definite values in an unstable world and an inspiration to reach for the highest instead of to sink to the average. We who have benefitted by their human and spiritual qualities assure them that they will always have a large place in our hearts. May the house in Saunderstown, Rhode Island, which they have remodeled with such loving care and good taste, shelter them through many years of perfect happiness.

—W. J. M.

The Origin of "Alma Mater"

Paul Reinecke's Own Story

"Last summer you asked me to write a short account of how 'Alma Mater' was written. Briefly, it was written for a furlough song while I was walking punishment tours on the area during the fall of 1908. In those days it was the custom for Yearlings to congregate at Battle Monument on pleasant spring evenings between supper and call to quarters to bay at the moon and to sing furlough songs written by members of the class.

"The 'musical' output vied with Tin Pan Alley in quantity—and perhaps quality—for we used the same words 'moon, spoon, days till June—girl, pearl, hearts awhirl'—ad nauseam. But like Mark Twain's Capt'n Stormfield, who was sent to a distant cloud bank in Heaven to do his psalm singing, we furloughmen sang our songs at the far-from-quarters Battle Monument.

"One other momentous musical event in the life of a Yearling class in the early 1900's was during the absence of the First Class on its Coast Artillery Trip, when the duty of putting over the Sunday Night Color Line Concert devolved on the Yearlings. Our class naturally decided to make this a great event, and we practiced long and hard. My stunt was to sing 'Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes', but as luck would have it, I was detailed as Corporal of the Guard that night. However, such duty did not present an insurmountable difficulty to a cadet. So while my relief was off post, I went into camp, got into proper uniform (for the Concert) and did my stuff—as I thought quite creditably. In fact we (that is, 1911) agreed the whole Concert was a great success. But the Officer in Charge (then Lieutenant Guy Kent of the Cavalry) also went to the Concert and overheard a sweet young thing in his party make some remark about Cadet Reinecke, who was singing. Said the O. C., 'Oh no, Reinecke can't be singing—he is on guard'. But investigation proved that the O. C. was also correct, theoretically at least, about a member of the guard singing. So I was busted and slugged for 10 tours for deserting the guard—a most heinous military offense, I then learned. And soon began those long Wednesday and Saturday walks without reason, but in this case, not without rhyme.

"While walking, I tried to compose some furlough songs—and soon began to tramp out the cadence of 'Alma Mater', to the tune of 'Treueliebe'—which was an old favorite, and capable of good barber shop harmony for a male quartette. Finally the song was tramped into shape, accepted by the Furlough Song Committee, and printed in our little pamphlet with the 30 or 40 others. The class sang these songs to ourselves during the spring of 1909. But the 'Alma Mater' had its first public appearance at the 1909 Graduation Hop, due to the efforts of the late beloved Kid Everts (leader of the Cadet Glee Club at that time), and the never-late, but equally well liked Johnnie Lee, both of 1909, and who both sang in the double quartette that presented it.

"Thereafter the 'Alma Mater' went the way of all furlough songs: forgotten (we didn't even sing it at our own graduation) until some years after 1911 left the Academy, when Mr. Mayer made his excellent arrangement and used the song as a companion piece to the inspiring and matchless musical and poetic masterpiece 'The Corps'.

"The 'Alma Mater' today is in almost the exact shape as it was when composed. Some English expert improved the line 'May it be said well done' from my original Pennsylvania Dutch 'May we hear said well done'—I had tried to retain the idea of immortality in the lines, and I thought the words sang better my way. But then I never was an outstanding English scholar, and anyhow, poetic English doesn't seem to run in the male side of our family.

"I confess, of course, I'm proud of the fact that the song has lived 30 years. and that there is still something left at the Academy of the class of 1911, even if we didn't rate very high in the estimation of the Tactical Department of that time—for a number of reasons.

"I secretly admit that a perhaps—unmilitary—emotionalism creeps up and down my spine when I hear the Choir and the Cadet Body sing that stirring 'The Corps' and my old 'Alma Mater'. Although I know no cadet could publicly confess such a feeling, the lives of its graduates, living and dead, prove to me that the spirit of those two songs is the real sentiment of The Corps."



New Members

We welcome to our membership 11 graduates and ex-cadets who have recently joined the Association. The total number of members is now 11,985.

NEARLY 90% OF OUR LIVING GRADUATES ARE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Graduates and former cadets who have not yet joined the Association are cordially invited to write to the Secretary at West Point, for an application for membership.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE MARCH 20, 1953

1883

"MATTHEW F. STEELE
P.O. Box 13
Fargo, North Dakota
11/30/1952

Association of Graduates
United States Military Academy
West Point, New York
Gentlemen:

Lieutenant Colonel Steele, W.P. '83, has been very sick for more than six months, much of that time being in local hospitals. He is unable to carry on any correspondence, and at his request I am answering your letter of the 18th relating to class news. In his name I have written several letters to Colonel Edgar S. Walker, W.P. '83 and have had personal replies from him as well as from his daughter. His letters have pleased Colonel Steele very much. We have no late word from General Ira Haynes, tho the Colonel carried on a considerable volume of correspondence during the late years, with both his surviving classmates."

"Yours Truly
s/Frank L. Anders
Frank L. Anders
1205 Sixth Street South
Fargo, North Dakota
Congressional Medal of Honor, San Miguel de Mayumo, Luzon, Philippine Islands May 13th, 1899."

1894

Frank Cocheu's trip to Europe was a perfect trip as long as it lasted, but it was cut short by illness contracted in Geneva. After five days under care of an American doctor in Paris, he caught an unexpected vacancy on the *Mauretania*, reaching home on October 13th. He made a good recovery from this attack; but on October 30th he entered Walter Reed Hospital for a major operation which was performed on October 31. At last accounts he was doing well, and anticipating

an early complete recovery. He was discharged from the hospital on December 3.

George Vidmer passed away in the Bronx Veterans Administration Hospital, New York, on November 25. Interment was in Mobile on November 29. The usual floral tribute from the Class was sent. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Beatrice Vidmer; a daughter, Mrs. Joseph Aleshire, of Mobile, Alabama; and a son, Richard Vidmer, a former sports columnist for the *New York Herald Tribune*.
—W. B. L.

1895

Miles is wintering in California sunshine. The Cavenaugh's have returned from abroad and are at home at 516 Henkel Circle, Winter Park, Florida. Nuttman's activities are curtailed on account of a broken leg.

The grandson of our beloved classmate Sills, Cadet Purdue, is a power on the West Point football team. Watson's children, Numa and Mildred, are making the best kind of a home for him at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Dwyer is reported in good health and active, as always, at his home in Newport, Rhode Island. Nissen is at his home, recovering from his persistent illness.

Herron had a party of six at the West Point-Southern California University football game in Los Angeles.

Smith, F. W., has arrived in California, after driving from Ontario, Canada. He is with his son and two daughters at 1344 Seventh Avenue, San Diego. His wife is convalescing in Menton, France.

The Class of '95 was represented, November 29th, at the annual reunion of the West Point and Annapolis Societies of Southern California and their ladies, at the Officers' Club, Navy Base, Long Beach, California, to watch the football game on TV and for cheers, yells, toasts, and luncheon.

The Class is saddened by the news of the passing away, on October 22nd, of Dixon's beloved wife. The sympathies of the Class go to the bereaved husband.

The Class read, with great interest, Professor Bartlett's epochal report on advances in the curriculum at the Military Academy, published in the October *Assembly*.

—J. S. H.

1900

At the latest round-up, 40 of our original total of 116 classmates were believed to be still in the land of the living—33.7%. The graduates made a slightly better showing—21 of 54, or 38.9%. We have lost but two (Pillsbury and Stokey) since our 50th Reunion, 2½ years ago. Our average age on December 15, 1952 was 75 years, 8½ months.

Somebody always attends Reunions. This year there were but two—Benjamin, Bond.

Our two trees, the Class Tree and the Golden Anniversary Tree, the first such planted at the Academy, are both flourishing. The Golden Anniversary Tree is a white oak which sometimes reaches an age of 1,000 years. By that time the great class of 1900 will have passed into history.

Joe Baer, still debonair, young and handsome, was accordingly designated to do the honors for the class at the unveiling of the Lee portrait at the Academy, January 19, 1952. Joe reports that the ceremonies were very dignified and striking.

Julian Benjamin continues to visit, usually at weekly intervals, his beautiful estate of Mandeville, across the Hudson from West Point. He sees more of the Alma Mater than any other classmate. In the summer he goes to Canada on a fishing expedition.

Mrs. Upton Birnie died in mid-summer of 1950, a great blow to Upton and a loss to the class. She was an Army girl, daughter of Col. A. D. Schenck. Upton continues in good health.

Stanley Bond continues in a desultory fashion to carry on the duties of Class Secretary and keep an eye on the gang. He complains that they do not write to him often enough. The following are apparently pursuing the even tenor of their ways, with no great events to stimulate special in-

terest: Carson, Davis, Doyle, Fenner, Glynn, Graham, Hopkins, Hunter, Hurt, Jackson, Kershaw, McVicker, Mitchell, Neely, Pillow, Pope, Simmons, Sunderland, Wesson. Some have changed addresses, see list below.

Frank Callison has had no more exciting event recently than a return to the land of his birth, Missouri.

Frank Brown, after a long period of ill health, passed away at the Veterans Hospital at Wichita, Kansas, on May 12, 1951.

We hear occasional pleasant echoes from later generations, and wish we could hear more. Edwin Davis, son of "E.G.," is a distinguished concert pianist. Two of our sons are brigadier generals, Bill Gillmore and Frank Bowen. There are many colonels, and several captains in the Navy. Please advise the Class Secretary of any distinctions of our progeny that come to your attention.

Ted Godfrey, late State Health Commissioner of the State of New York, though retired some years from his long service, continues to receive honors for his outstanding achievements. The latest is the Sedgwick Memorial Medal for 1951, awarded at the annual banquet of the American Public Health Assn.

He molded the resources of the State into an effective organization which has conserved the health of the people. Unknown hosts may attribute an extended life span and richer years to the efficiency and devotion of this public health statesman. Ted, we are proud of you.

Walter Grant has not been in the best of health for some years, but he has recently enjoyed a marked improvement, although still in the hospital. Keep going, Walter!

Following the loss of his wife by death after many years of happy marriage, our perennial "Goat" has again married. Good luck, Charles, may your second venture be as successful as the first.

"Villain" McIntyre lost his wife, Jane, on June 7, 1950, after 44 years of happiness. He continues to live at San Antonio, having moved into a smaller house with his sister, who has been his leading lady since Jane's death. Jane was an Army girl, daughter of Col. S. M. Swigert.

Eli Perkins, having recently lost his good wife by death after a long and happy married life, and feeling lonely no doubt, has taken unto himself a new wife. Congratulations Eli, and may the second venture be as successful as the first.

George Pillsbury, our top honor man, died in May 1951, the last of our "stars" to go. "Green be the turf above thee, friend of our better days."

Verne Rockwell continues to live the life of a "gentleman farmer" though he really does a lot of work. He enjoys the companionship of his charming wife; and of his two sons, who live in the same town.

Billy Tidball is enjoying a "second youth" (not a second childhood) gardening, trimming trees, etc., on his estate. "Though approaching 80", he writes, "I am as vigorous as ever." Carry on, Billy.

The most tragic event we have to report is the death of Dirck Westervelt, the youngest of our sons to graduate from the Academy (1945) on April 29, 1951. Returning from a combat mission to Seoul, his engine went dead, whether from enemy fire or mechanical failure could not be ascertained. Dirck could have bailed out and saved himself, but he evidently had no such thought. He lowered his landing gear, hoping to save the plane, and when he saw he could not make the runway, he turned into the field to avoid hitting troops nearby. The plane exploded on landing. He was promoted, posthumously, to Captain, Air Force.

Bob Wood, at 73, continues his astonishing activity as the world's greatest merchant, at an accelerated pace. At present he is engaged in organizing the Western Hem-

isphere as a market for his firm—Sears Roebuck. The company now has over ten times the sales it had when Wood took charge. It is the sixth corporation in size in the U.S.A. Keep going, Bob, we are all for you.

Youngberg continues his activities as a consulting engineer in Jacksonville. His interest in class affairs never flags. He has recently recovered satisfactorily from a serious operation.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all. Let us hear from you occasionally, with some family news.

LATEST KNOWN ADDRESSES OF THE CLASS OF 1900, U.S.M.A.

Baer, J. A., Brig. Gen., Dormer House, 30 Roundhill Road, Greenwich, Conn.
Benjamin, J. A., Col., 31 W. 46th St., New York City.

Birnie, Upton, Jr., Maj. Gen., 1702 Surrey Lane, Washington 7, D. C.

Bond, P. S., Col., 2205 California St., Washington 8, D. C.

Callison, F. L., Elk Hotel, Trenton, Mo.
Carson, C. C., Col., Rileys Park, Mt. Dora, Fla.

Davis, F. E., Col., Preston Apt., 218 E. Preston St., Baltimore 2, Md.

Doyle, F. C., Col., 109 Carey Ave., San Antonio, Texas.

Fenner, R. H., Lt. Col., 1016 Lake St., San Francisco, Calif.

Glynn, H. R., 475 Hayward Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

Godfrey, E. S., Jr., Dr., 235 Lenox Ave., Albany, N. Y.

Graham, W. T., 201 High St., Salisbury, Md.

Grant, Walter S., Maj. Gen., Hammond Court, 30th & Q Sts., Washington 7, D. C.

Harvey, C. G., Col., 3961 Washington St., San Francisco, Calif.

Hopkins, J. P., Brig. Gen., Cassopolis, Mich.

Hunter, T. M., Col., 107 Ridgewood Road, Roland Park, Baltimore, Md.

Hurt, M. H., Tuskegee, Ala.

Jackson, R. F., Major, Fern Road, Litchfield, Conn.

Kershaw, George, 1212 10th St., Huntington, W. Va.

McIntyre, A., Brig. Gen., 146 Carey Ave., San Antonio, Texas.

McVicker, J. R., 1206 6th Ave., S.E., Cedar City, Iowa.

Mitchell, H. E., Capt., 814 Santiago Ave., Long Beach, Calif.

Neely, W. S., Lt. Col., 724 Berkeley Ave., San Bernardino, Calif.

Perkins, G. T., Col., 2969 Jackson St., San Francisco, Calif.

Pillow, J. G., Col., 823 N. 5th St., Atchison, Kans.

Pope, F. A., Col., Army & Navy Club, Washington 6, D. C.

Rockwell, V. L. S., Col., Smithtown Branch, Long Island, N. Y.

Simmons, W. P., 1523 Oak St., Jacksonville, Fla.

Sunderland, A. H., Maj. Gen., 69 College Place, Hampton, Va.

Tidball, Wm., Col., Turner Road, Wallingford, Pa.

Wesson, C. M., Maj. Gen., The Westchester, Washington 16, D. C.

Westervelt, W. I., Brig. Gen., 441 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

Wood, R. E., Brig. Gen., 925 South Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Youngberg, G. A., Brig. Gen., P.O. Box 36, Jacksonville 1, Fla.

—P. S. B.

was touring by car from Canada to their Ohio home. Present to greet Mary were Bettison, Browne, Jordan, West, Dent, Kent, Smith, W. D., and Beck—this was a gathering of more than one third of the living graduates of the Class. Mary has promised to join us again in the Spring when he will be in this locality taking part in the commemoration of the Wright Brothers' flight at Kitty Hawk.

Walter Smith returned from his sojourn in Europe after about a year's absence from the Round Table. He is now preparing himself for a tour of South America by taking a course in the languages of that locality. He just does not seem to want to stay put, but we are happy to know he feels fit enough to still step out. Dent has left for his winter in Florida; he plans to remain away four months.

All the wanderers from summer vacations are back patting themselves on the back because they missed the worst summer that Washington has had in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. We miss Willing, who has been in New York for sometime and we hope he will not decide to remain away much longer.

The Round Table had the pleasure of the attendance of Pegram of 1902 at a recent luncheon. General Jimmie Brees, who is closely associated with the Class by having done his best to give many of us a military education at the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, was also a guest at a November luncheon.

—R. M. B., Jr.

1903

Word comes to us from "Trophy" Bendel that he has had a visit with Bill Aleshire, who is paralyzed in both legs and confined to his bed. Our Class President, Allan Pope, suggests again that we write to him. It may cheer him to know he is not forgotten; address 33 Cervantes Street, San Francisco, California.

Ellery Farmer reports that he has seen Gaston, who spent several months in Europe this spring and summer visiting his son.

The Turtles are hibernating on the Riviera. When last heard from they were in Nice. They expect to be back for the Class reunion in June, but for the present he is having a well earned rest from his strenuous years of teaching at Manhattan College.

Levi Brown, Fred Smith and Billy Nichols passed through Washington around Thanksgiving. We were glad to see them and appreciate their informing us of their presence. All appeared to be full of vim and vigor. Levi has ten grandchildren—has any one else in the Class outdone him?

The Farnums are planning their annual escape from winter in Maine, and are expected in Washington during the last week in January.

Marion Howze writes that Billy Nichols and his wife have been in New York for their annual two weeks visit, from Helena, Montana, where they spend the fall before going to their winter home at La Jolla, California, and where they remain until spring before returning to Yellowstone Park for the summer.

Jake Wuest reports that he and Helen have started on their annual trek to the south from Olean, New York. They are now settled for the winter at 3608 Midiron Drive, Winter Park, Florida. Jake reports that Pat Lynch is keeping his spirits at a high level with his charming bride. Pat has now joined the leisure loafers and is not working so hard these days.

—U. S. Grant, 3rd.

1901

The October 22nd luncheon at the Round Table was a noteworthy occasion. It was in honor of Mary Lahm, who, with his wife,

1904

The Washington, D. C. and vicinity classmates were glad to have McIlroy show up for the October luncheon. Mac appeared to be in fine shape. He had good news of Brunzell and McKell, who live in Ohio also. Moody was back in D. C. from his work in Ohio for Thanksgiving Day and happily stayed here long enough to join the group for the December luncheon. Carter has rented his Washington house for a year and is spending the winter in his summer place at Shelter Harbor, Westerly, R. I. He'll be missed in Washington.

It is with sadness that we record Harbold's death on November 11, 1952, at his home in Baltimore. Burial was in Arlington National Cemetery, "near the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, a tomb he knew more about than anyone else", as a local newspaper stated, for it was Bob, in connection with his work with the Cemeterial Branch of the QMG's office, who "directed the selection of the Unknown Soldier from a body-strewn battlefield in France".

And now, just as these notes are being prepared, comes the unwelcome news that on December 4, 1952, "Willie" Whipple died quietly at his home in Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. Muriel I. Davis, A. J. Davis's widow, died on November 19, 1952. She had lived in Washington, D. C. for many years.

To close with a more cheerful note, here are extracts from a letter from Bob Richardson, at his home in New Hampshire, about his recent trip to Europe: "I left New York last December for Europe. I made my headquarters in Paris from which I made sorties successively to North Africa, Austria, Germany, Spain, Ireland and England. France has not changed much physically in 25 years". * * * * "I was much impressed with North Africa, especially Casablanca, which is now a boom town, full of vitality and life of every sort. Austria and Germany are making rapid recovery. There also was great building activity, and a certain vibrant atmosphere over the cities which I visited." * * * * "Of all the countries which I visited I was most agreeably impressed with Spain. As a country, Spain is the cleanest place that I have ever seen in my life. In the villages, the countryside and even in Madrid, a large city, everything was spotless. They are an extremely good looking race. What impressed me most about the Spanish people was their desire to have Americans like them." * * * * "The Emerald Isle was very green in April. I found the Irish very polite and even cordial. Everyone seems to feel that he is part American, as he has a relative somewhere in the States. From Ireland I went to England and toured Southern England, from which the Richardsons originally emigrated. The country is quickly traversed as distances are short." * * * * "London is a very agreeable city and has everything to offer. However, I am immensely grateful to my ancestors, both in Ireland and England, that they had the good sense to emigrate to America."

—W. B.

1906

With a sense of deep sadness, I have to report the passing of our classmate, Henry Black Clagett on November 14, 1952, at Walter Reed Hospital, after about two weeks' illness. Earl McFarland and Clyde Abraham were among the pall-bearers and acted for the Class at the Arlington funeral. "Sue" was third from youngest in 1906.

Roger Williams, 1910, sent me a copy of his list of 1,262 graduates who made 90% average, or better, for their four years at

West Point, out of 17,385 graduates of 135 classes from 1821 to 1949 incl., being about 8%. 1906 had 16 in the list of 20%. Smart class, what?

C. McKew Parr, our only candidate for office, was reelected Senator in the Connecticut legislature with a complimentary majority.

The Jim Rileys, the Brice Freys and their families took the Navy Special from New York for the A & N game at Philadelphia and sat near Charlie Rockwell, cheering a bit over that final defensive stand but not over the score.

Bill Akin had his boys home, after eleven years, for a family reunion — and also daughter Harriette. Boys are Henry, David and Steve. After the Plum Hill party, the Akins visited the Gatewoods at Las Lomitas ranch, found them well settled with their road nearly done, also the house and Gate as full of pep and good wit as ever. Gate is assembling some of his father's interesting Indian memoirs.

Hap Pennell sends Christmas messages from the Fort Sill Bank, hoping to get to Florida for fishing before Spring.

Had a wonderful lunch with Earl McFarland, Alex Gillespie, Clyde Abraham and Tubby Loughry at the A & N Club in October after my sojourn at Walter Reed. And our wives had lunch too at a distance. Had fine talks during convalescence with all of the classmates and old friends around Washington, walked with some of the injured ones around the pretty walks of Walter Reed, while loving wives pushed their wheeled chairs.

Joe Green, now quite recovered, and wife, Julie, and Skinny Wainwright helped the Kings celebrate Joe's three score and ten last Fall. Lieut. Josephine King will be married on January 10 but will stay on active duty for a while anyway. Skinny still runs his insurance company, keeping regular business hours. Wonderful, after all his experiences. Had a nice letter from him about Sue, his roommate for four cadet years.

Dawson Olmstead writes from Los Angeles that his paper from Cory, Pa., not far from Jamestown, N. Y., had a note that Ralph A. Jones had passed on sometime last August. I am trying to get details and verification from the family at this moment.

Hinemon, b.i.l. of Jimmie Loving, told me at WRGH that Joe was no longer well and was giving up his garden.

George and Christine Morrow returned to Daytona after a colorful Autumn in the forests around High Hampton, and were fine as we passed through their city on the way here. And Biscayne Bay is filled with pelicans. Hurry down.

—Charles G. Mettler.

1907

Just as we were completing these notes we learned of the death of Jim Marley in Washington on November 27. Jim was a wonderfully fine man and will be sadly missed. He was buried in Arlington; and twelve of 1907, Castle, Collins, Drain, Eastman, Gutensohn, Harris, Larned, McNeil, Morrison, Park, Sullivan and Wood were pall-bearers.

Sunny Jim Martin attended the meeting of the American Bar Association in San Francisco in September and while on the west coast saw a number of classmates, including the Potters and the MacLachlans in San Francisco and Tom Spencer in Healdsburg. Tom showed such a keen interest in local affairs that Sunny thought he must be running for office. Next stop was Carmel, where he had a most interesting visit with Enrique White and Judge Henry. Enrique

has placed his home on the market and plans to come back to Massachusetts, where he and his brother will make their home. Charley Wyman had invited them both to Glendale, where he threw a party for Sunny Jim and his sister, who lives near there. Among those present were Grace and Daniel Boone, Ruth and Jeremy Taylor, Marjorie O'Connor and her daughter, Patricia. Jeremy took Sunny Jim to Warner Brothers, where they saw two pictures in the making and had luncheon afterwards with the Wymans and dinner with most of the same group before leaving for home.

After the reunion in June the Ganoes went to England and Jim Steese was off again on a trip to Africa. We are still curious to learn what Jim is looking for.

McNeil was instrumental in securing from the Department of the Army a posthumous citation for Stanley James for exceptionally meritorious service to his country while a prisoner of war from April 9, 1942 to August 25, 1945 which reads in part, "Despite more than a year of solitary confinement, and frequent brutal and inhuman treatment, Colonel James steadfastly refused to give his Japanese captors any information that would assist them in breaking the secret codes of this country. By his unique and courageous service, and his steadfast adherence to the high code of honor of the military service, Colonel James contributed greatly to his country's safety and the ultimate success of the war effort."

The MacLachlans are back in Palo Alto for a few months awaiting the return of their son from Korea.

We attended a class luncheon in Washington in October at which the following were present: Paul Larned, McNeil, who is still acting as consultant to the Secretary of the Army, J. B. Rose, Jim Marley, Johnny Sullivan, raconteur extraordinary, Clyde Eastman and your correspondent. At the same time Cecilia Larned entertained Mesdames Eastman, Sullivan, Murray and Wagner and class daughters Dorothy Rutherford and Dinny Somerville.

Rick and Audrey Morrison have returned to the Westchester from their summer home at Marblehead Neck, Massachusetts.

While in Washington we were entertained by Clyde and Margaret Eastman in their attractive home in Belle Haven, Alexandria. We missed seeing Virginia and Jimmy Collins, who were on a motor trip through the south.

Paul Larned's thought in sending copies of the class book to our class widows has elicited much interesting news. Louise Rice is living at 50 Hannum Drive, Ardmore, Pennsylvania. Her son was married a year ago and is living in Ridgewood, New Jersey. He is a petroleum engineer with the M. W. Kellogg Company in New York. Mrs. Pauline B. Todd (Maish) is living at Cobham, Virginia, and her son, Major Alexander M. Maish, Class of 1944, is stationed at West Point. Bea Arnold is still at El Rancho Feliz, Valley of the Moon, Sonoma, California. Marjorie Cruse is at 777 Terrell Road, San Antonio, Texas. Margaret Geary's address is P.O. Box 297 Coronado, California, and Mrs. Harry Folson (Wiley Dawson) is at 2478 Adair Street, San Marino, California. Mrs. Wamp Everett is living at 2900 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. Her daughter married in the Class of 1931 and has three children. Mrs. E Square Lewis also lives in Washington at 1830 17th Street, N.W. She recently learned that oil had been found on land that E Square had owned in North Dakota. One of Marjorie O'Connor's daughters is married to Col. Joseph O. Killan, Class of 1934, now living in Arlington, Virginia, and the other is the wife of Col. H. J. Theis, Class of 1924. Florence Sultan is at the Kennedy Warren and Phyllis Murray lives at 2800 Woodley Road, N.W., Washington, D. C. Mrs. Harry

Pfeil is still living in Westerly, Rhode Island, and Mrs. R. K. Greene's address is 5746 Woodlawn Avenue, Seattle, Washington. Mrs. Stanley James is still at 231 Brahan Boulevard, San Antonio, Texas. Her daughter, Betty, wife of Colonel Paul R. Walters, Class of 1933, is with her at present. Her other daughter, who married Colonel R. K. McDonough, Class of 1926, son of the Pinkie McDonough that we knew so well, is in Atlanta, Georgia. Jimmy, Jr., Class of January 1943, is at College station, Texas, at Texas A & M. Ida Hanson's address is 1840 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose, California. Her son, Bill, is a Colonel in the Air Force, has three children, and is stationed in England. He expects to return for the next course at the National War College.

We are sure that everyone will be greatly interested to hear from our class widows, and we hope we may hear more about them from time to time.

—H. W. W.

1908

On November 7th the members of our class in Washington held a joint lunch with Navy 1908. There were eleven of us and eighteen of the Navy. It seemed to be a very satisfactory party.

Edgerton, with his wife and sister-in-law, has gone to Europe for a meeting of the Board of Consulting Engineers of the Suez Canal, followed by a trip to Spain and Morocco. He reports that Paris was chilly in October and that his family get hungry before dinner in Spain.

Garey has retired from his civil service job with the Veterans Administration in Los Angeles. He and his wife have bought a house at 590 Moreno Avenue, Brentwood Terrace. He is not going to leave his adopted city. Five of our class in that town had a "get together" in October: Barker, Fitzmaurice, Garey, Loustalot and Pendleton.

Brown's son (Colonel John K. Brown, Jr., U.S.A.F.) is Vice-Commander of the Air Force Missile Test Center at Patrick Air Force Base, Florida. When we graduated none of those words had any meaning except perhaps "missile", which then meant something you got five tours for throwing in the mess hall.

In spite of the recent change of political temperature, our congressional classmate, Kelley, will be back on the job next winter. He was re-elected for the 21st Pennsylvania District by a majority of about 8,000.

Sturdevant and his wife have been in Ohio for a week visiting some friends whom they knew in Guam forty years ago.

A room has been engaged at the Officers' Mess, West Point, for the night of Saturday, May 30, 1953. The literature on the 45th Reunion will begin flowing soon after a new president is elected in February. Individual members of the class should commence planning now.

—C. L. H.

1909

Louie Ford hails the birth of a grandson, Richard P. Williams, on January 1, 1952. Elinore Underwood's older son, Arthur R., Jr., returned safely after 16 months in Korea with the 65th Inf, 3d Div. He was slightly wounded and contracted jaundice in that theater. The younger son, Andy, is now a 2d Classman at West Point. Monte Hickok and wife Louisa are wintering this year in California, as are Monte, Jr., and family, on sabbatical leave from Punahou Academy, Honolulu. Our Monte now counts

five grandchildren. Ethel Matheson expects to spend this winter with her son, David M., Area Engineer in Honolulu. Two other sons, John D. and Donald R., are stationed at West Point; one daughter (Ethel Niles) is in Germany with her husband; the two youngest (Jean and Bill) are at home.

Stanley Rumbough visited Hawaii last Spring and saw the Lyman House Memorial Museum in Hilo, where he says one entire room is devoted to our "Queen Lil". Anne Briscoe's son Jerry (Capt. John J.) is now in Germany with wife and family. Beckwith Delano is making her home with her son, Dr. Jas. G. Delano, in Swarthmore, Pa. P. S. Gage has just built a new home in Atlanta. He now boasts of six grandchildren. Ethel Wright spent several weeks last summer in Italy, France and England, and the rest of the season with her sister in the Berkshires. Eley Denson's daughter Marion, wife of Col. C. H. Morhouse, Air F (Med.), is in England. 1st Lt. E. P. Denson, Jr., is with an Armored Division in Texas and under orders for overseas. Dorothy H. McGee, daughter of Hugh, has published "Sally Townsend, Patriot", a dramatized biography of a Revolutionary heroine. The book is dedicated in part to the Class of 1909. Bob and Emeline Eichelberger flew 25,000 miles last spring on a trip to Australia as guests of that Government. Bob, like some of the rest of us, was active in Eisenhower's successful campaign. The Marks family spent most of last May in Austria with their son, Lt. Col. E. H. Marks, Jr., and his family. Their other son, Willard A. Marks (Capt., U.S. Army, Ret.), is with U.S. Steel in San Francisco and living in Palo Alto. The Devers' have returned from a trip to Europe. Jake has been military adviser to Dr. Frank Graham concerning the India-Pakistan controversy over Kashmir. Eleanor Erlenkotter reports that her three sons are now serving overseas as Army officers in various parts of the globe.

Emily Franklin says that her unmarried daughter, Ruth, is living with her in St. Louis and that "all my girls are as 'horse crazy' as their father". Gramp Hunter's son Bob (USNA, '51) is a pilot in the US Air Force. Kathleen Mitchell has returned to her San Francisco home following an eight months' trip around the world. Beatrice Hatie, widow of Dana Crissy and of Colonel J. C. Hatie, writes that her daughter, Yvonne, was married to Wm. E. Both in 1942 and resides in Whittier, Calif. Beatrice also has a son, Jos. C. Hatie, III, by her second marriage. Ray Smith says that his sister, widow of Colonel Chas. H. Mason, lives on the Monterey Peninsula (R1, Box 1066, Carmel) and will welcome any '09ers who come there. Rodney and Elsa Roberts journeyed northward this fall from their home in Upland, Calif., and had a very pleasant time visiting classmates and enjoying the San Francisco opera season. The Bob Sears' are again residing in San Francisco after several years of mountain climbing in Latin America. Delos and Billie Emmons are reported visiting in South America. The Barney Oldfields are now living in a new home in Seattle. Barney, Jr., heads the General Electric Advanced Electronics Laboratory at Cornell University.

—G. L. V. D.

1910

It will be interesting for all of us to learn that Sam Edelman again sponsored and managed a most successful dinner and entertainment for the Corps of Cadets and their friends at John Wanamaker's big store in Philadelphia following the Army and Navy Game on November 29th. Almost 2,000 attended. This was the eighth suc-

cessive year that Sam has done this fine thing for West Point and he certainly deserves a great deal of credit. He is also active in the West Point Society in Philadelphia and takes a lot of interest in good public relations for West Point. Others of the Class and their families at the game were Tony and Hazel Frank and Dan and Alice Torrey. The latter were accompanied by their daughter, Alice Schiff, our Class Daughter, and their granddaughter, Alice Irving.

A unique part of General Eisenhower's victorious campaign for President involved one of our classmates. Oscar Solbert organized and directed an intelligence service for Ike known as the "Eisenhower-Nixon Research Service", which had for its objective the gauging of public opinion patterned after methods used in military intelligence. By analyzing, evaluating and interpreting daily the information obtained from newspapers, polls and other sources, Oscar and his staff were able to keep the General informed of almost the exact feeling of the public towards his campaign. The help thus rendered to Ike was extremely valuable. Five days before the election Oscar's service informed the General that he would win by 54 per cent of the popular vote, which was very close to the actual margin of victory.

We are happy to announce the election of Bo Lewis to the Board of Trustees of the Association of Graduates. Bo was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death last June of Jimmie Walsh, 1909.

Lieutenant Clyde A. (Pete) Selleck, Jr., Corps of Engineers (Pappy's son) recently completed a course of instruction at the Parachute School, Fort Benning, Ga., and has been assigned to the 127th Engineer Battalion, 11th Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Speaking of his first jump Pete says there was "nothing to it" Good boy!

—R. H. D.

1911

It is with the deepest regret that in the first issue of *Assembly* in 1953 we are called upon to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Fred Kimball, who died on July 20th, and to the family of Jack Christian, who died on September 15th. Immediately upon getting the notices I wrote letters of sympathy to the families on behalf of the Class.

So far the only Army Area Representatives who have sent in notes for this issue are Betcher and Mooney. Jim Crawford came to the rescue of the heretofore faithful Nick and gave us news of the west coast. Last summer in San Francisco Jim and his Better Half invited Lola and Nick and the Ralph Haines to dinner at Omar Khayyam's. No reservations are made there. Upon arrival there was no table available but Nick mentioned to the head waiter that Jimmy was a classmate of Haig Shekerjian. That name proved to be magic. Not only did they get a table but also a most sumptuous banquet as the guests of the owner, George Maidikian, a close friend of Shek. Jim says, "Wherever you are Shek, many thanks". He reports that the 1911 gang in the Bay Area is remarkably well organized and full of the 1911 spirit. They were all calling on Jesse Ladd during his sojourn at Letterman last summer. Ben Lockwood's lovely daughter lent a lot of encouragement to her daddy's classmate. Jim is still enjoying teaching math at Auburn. He now puts himself in nomination as a candidate for "I knew him when", on the grounds that in 1914 under Pappy Selleck as head coach of the Cullum Hall football squad, he coached the line while the back-

field coach was none other than Ike, our new President. Jim and Gus Franke both report a grand reunion at the Army-Tech game in Atlanta.

Gus also reported that John Wall was taken to the hospital at Fort Jackson on November 3rd. He saw John on the 7th and on the 10th and during that short period he noted a great improvement. Gus, by the way, seems to have won another round at Walter Reed.

Young John Wall seems to be one of those individuals who, when he makes a mistake, takes positive action to remedy it. Having chosen Annapolis instead of West Point originally, he decided after a year that he had made a mistake. He resigned, got an appointment to West Point and is now a member of the plebe class. More power to you, Johnny; may you always have such courage. 1911 is proud of you.

We have another reason for expressing class pride. Howell Estes, Jr. has been appointed a Brigadier General in the Air Force. He, I believe, is the first of our sons to attain a star. We all extend our most enthusiastic congratulations to the Estes family.

While on the subject of our children, a recent letter from Costa Rica informs us that Susan Gutches, Phil Fleming's granddaughter, entered kindergarten last fall. Phil describes the country as being a hunter's paradise and as having an ideal climate.

Many thanks to Jim Mooney for his excellent notes, particularly for the information that Tod Larned had been in Washington. Tod please note.

—I. T. W.

1912

We regret to report the passing of classmate Hugh P. Schively at the Veterans' Home Hospital, Yountville, California, on October 23, 1952. Classmates Faymonville, "Monk" Lewis, and Morrissey represented the Class at his funeral.

The Class salutes with justifiable pride the retirement of two of our most loyal and beloved classmates (Crittenberger and Gatchell) because of legal age requirements, on December 31, 1952. Thus the Class of 1912's active list gracefully gives way to Old Man Time.

Grace and Chen Chynoweth are the proud grandparents of Ann Laura Sauvageot, born in Paris, France, in October. The baby's arrival was the occasion for the Chen's making another trip to Europe, arriving back in New York in time to take in the Army-Navy game and visit their son Edwin (Class of '46) at West Point, where he is now a "Math" instructor, before returning to their home in Berkeley, California.

The "Steve" MacGregors have announced the marriage of their daughter, Merritte Dixon, to Major Tracy Kent Healy, USA, on September 6, 1952. At home since October 1 at 3046 Fairmont Blvd., Riverside, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Engle Wilt announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Jane, to Mr. Elliott Chamberlin Rose on October 25 in Philadelphia. Home address: 3744 Sundale Rd., LaFayette, Calif. Elliott is associated with Hq. Safeway Stores in Oakland.

Caroline Walker was on hand at Ft. Benning, Ga., to welcome the arrival there on August 27 of Sam Sims Walker, Jr., the second grandson of our Johnnie and Caroline. She reports that the first grandson is a dead "ringer" for his distinguished granddad for whom he was named, and that the second little one is equally the duplicate of his father, Class Son Capt. Sam Sims Walk-

er, now on duty as instructor in the Leadership Course at the Infantry School.

Congratulations to classmate Dave Crawford, who was remarried in New York in October; and to the bride, welcome to the Class Family!

Mildred Hinemon, in late November, reports that our "Heinie", after two operations, was convalescing satisfactorily at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. "Kuddle" and Ethelyn Kuldell, on their annual visit east, included New York and Washington, where they were hosts at cocktails at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington in October to our Washington classmates. The Larrabees and Kirks are enjoying being neighbors in retirement in historic Chestertown, Md., on the "Eastern Sho'".

Peripatetic "P." Wood, long the shepherd of the World's Displaced Persons in Europe, has shifted base from Vienna to the Far East, where he has been active in Japan and Korea on similar humanitarian problems. (Address: c/o G-5, FEC, APO 500, c/o P.M., San Francisco, Calif.)

Leonard and Margaret Barrett continue busy in many civic activities around Menlo Park, especially in high-brow musical circles, and "Mathy" Leonard reports the completion of a manuscript on mathematics and atomic energy.

"Steve" Chamberlin's address is 531 Deery St., Shelbyville, Tenn. He reports a busy life, that Sally is in Germany working for Uncle Sam, and that Steve, Jr., a Lieutenant of Engineers, is pretty close to the front in Korea doing his bit there.

"Charlie" Drake reports all well with him and Maud in Washington and their children and grandchildren. He adds: "Dorothy Holliday wrote a very appreciative letter for the obituary on Ralph in *Assembly*. She said that her brother John is safely back from Korea and is now stationed at Governors Island, N. Y. Dorothy has three sons and a daughter and her address is Cooch's Bridge Road, R. D. 1, Newark, Del. What a wonderful time our Ralph would have had with his 15 grandchildren!"

Faymonville and Hobson celebrated Thanksgiving together in San Francisco and the termination of their responsibilities as 1912 officials upon completion of their respective final reports to the new class officials (Snow, Arnold and Rose).

Class Son Col. T. J. Hayes III, after a highly successful detail as Ass't District Engineer Commissioner in Washington for the past 3½ years, left for his new post in Texas.

Marguerite Holliday writes that she enjoys visits to "Holliday Haven" from her children and grandchildren and that she keeps busy with her courses in art.

Eve and B. Q. Jones were Florida visitors last fall after having completed their extensive project whereby handy-man B. Q. modernized their "co-op" apartment in Washington. The Bill Nalles are nursing black cattle on their Culpepper, Va., farm and sitting on edge with their son Dick (Class of '44) at the front in Korea. Edith Spalding, proud mother of Class Son Sidney P. Spalding, Jr., born September 5, '52, and now the baby of the Class Sons of 1912, reports that our "hopeful" is making great progress at Potomack Farm. The "Schnitz" Schneiders of Miami Beach, Fla., write that they had a delightful visit with Dorothy Patterson, widow of our beloved "Pat", last summer. We shall miss Pat's unflinching good humor at future reunions. By grapevine we hear that Big John Littlejohn got interested in politics in Virginia and his candidate was elected.

It was noted in the *New York Times* that a benefit performance of "La Boheme" was given for the benefit of the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled, of which John

Smith is director. John is doing a great work at this institution.

The following letter was received in reply to a letter from "Colonel" Snow to General "Ike": "Dear Snow: It was indeed kind of you to send me such a cordial note from the Class of 1912. Like every other class, my own always looked up to '12 as representing all that was finest and best—as well as the most terrifying—in West Point, so I am especially grateful for your good wishes and your expression of pride. My very best to any of your classmates that you may encounter. Most sincerely, Ike E."

—W. H. H. and R. T. S.

1913

A copy of an up-to-date Class Directory was furnished each of you under date of November 28th. If anyone failed to receive his copy, a note to me (2525 Larkin St., San Francisco 9, Calif.) will bring another.

Soon after you read these notes, you will be receiving detailed information on the Fortieth Reunion, to be held at West Point, May 30th to June 1st inclusive. Joe Viner and Doug Greene again are charged with all arrangements. We feel that they will do as fine a job as they did for the highly successful Reunion in 1948. All that is required to duplicate that success this time is your presence. Make your plans now to be there, preferably with your respective families.

Our distinguished classmate, Colon Eloy Alfaro, recently was appointed Ambassador from Ecuador to the United States, a post which previously he filled with such credit during a period of some fifteen years. Soon after appointment, however, he resigned, to the great loss of his country and of the United States.

Late in September, Jane Heidner visited San Francisco from the home which she and Sam built in San Diego. Some of the classmates in this area came in for a drink with her at our house. Also in September, we had a visit from Bob Perkins, who was in San Francisco from his home in Pebble Beach.

Dick, the younger Dorst son, recently was married. The bride and groom will live out here in California, which is nice for his parents.

Recently we also had a visit from Charity and Jack McMahon, who were in San Francisco for the day from their ranch home in Saratoga, California. Wop Sadler checked in during October from his summer place in Senora, Virginia, where he and Dolly have been staying since late spring. It is now reported that they have returned recently to the central heating of their Washington home. Wop reports that Johnnie Johnson has bought a mountain top near Luchetts, Virginia, but the cold weather has brought the Johnsons back to the Washington area also.

Nelson recently reported in from Dallas, Texas, where he is Director of Insurance for the district office of the Veterans Administration. He says he expects to be at the Reunion. Carlos Brewer also checked in recently from Columbus, Ohio, where he is with the Ohio State University Research Foundation. He asks if Grace and he still hold the Class record with 14 grandchildren. He says the Brewers "will certainly be at the Reunion"

We are just in receipt of an air mail postal card from Gyp Griffin, acknowledging receipt of the Class Directory recently distributed.

At the last dinner meeting of the West Point Society of the San Francisco Bay Area, the Class was represented by Dorst,

Falk, Sliney, Underhill, Van Volkenburgh and your reporter.

Francis Englehart, our New England reporter, writes that their younger son has volunteered for the draft and expects to go to Korea soon after the first of the year. The Engleharts are bound for Winter Park, Florida, for a month or so after the holidays. "Tangle" enclosed letters from Dana Palmer and Dutch Krapf. Dana announces, "I'll be at the Reunion if I'm still alive and with sufficient strength". Dutch Krapf reports that he leads a quiet life, sits in the sun, smokes, sleeps, exercises and keeps out of arguments; that he spends the winters in Venice, Florida; that he is out of politics and that he "keeps sober and almost hates liquor".

Tex Davidson reported from Washington on the day of the monthly Class luncheon. Besides himself, those present were Schmidt, Foote, Johnson, Sadtler and Keyes.

Tex also has given us a write-up on the Army-Navy game. Unfortunately, my limitation on space will not permit more than the high lights. He calls it "the least interesting spectacle of any Army-Navy game in many years". He says: "Joe Viner and Dasha, the most faithful football fans in the Class, were sitting near me eating fried chicken". And: "Doug Greene and Eleanor who, next to the Viners, are the most faithful football fans, were both looking very sharp". Also: "Pink and Lois Crane were there with their son and with them were Stuart and Julia Cramer: Selby Frank sat in front of me and looked as fit and sassy as only a runt can look". Davidson's own party included his twin daughters, his son and daughter-in-law.

Lack of further space requires me now to sign off until next time with greetings to all and best wishes for 1953.

—H. B. L.

1914

Pink Bull retired in July 1952. His new address is 2501 Que Street, Washington 7, D. C. Jack Thompson and Bruz Waddell are back from trips to Europe. Leland Stanford just spent two months in Hawaii and reports his 12th grandchild was born October 6. (How are you doing Charley Gross?) Speaking of grandchildren, Pink Ward finally has a grandson after 4 granddaughters. Henry Holcombe has just added a porch on his house and recently built a garage. Those of you who have not seen the "House that Henry Built" have really missed something. It is a gem, and was designed and built by Henry with only the help of a yardman and a plumber.

It is my sad duty to report the death of Dick Paddock on September 23, 1952, of a heart attack apparently induced by running up a stairway at his office. He was buried at Santa Monica. Our sympathy goes to his widow, Katherine, 156 South Canyon View, Brentwood, Los Angeles 49, Calif., and to his sons, R. B. Jr., Stanford University Medical School, and John P. at Carmel, Calif.

Please send material for *Assembly* about yourself or any classmate to your reporter, H. Brand, 610 Shoreham Bldg., Washington 5, D. C.

—H. B.

1915

The cover of this issue of *Assembly* tells the story. It embodies the hopes and the prayers of more than 33 million voters, voiced on a day in early November. And, with the tally completed, that picture

speaks for the hopes and prayers and high resolve of a nation.

The annual class dinner sponsored by the Washington group, and held at the Army & Navy Club on 21 November, was 1915's night to howl. Only Boye, as Class President, and his dinner committee — Jack Davis and Ellis—knew that Ike and Mamie were taking time out from their busy life to run down from New York for the dinner. Both looked in the pink. When reporters asked Ike how he had enjoyed the party, his answer was "Wonderful! Wonderful!" To which his classmates said "Amen".

The New York reporters took note of the fact that, some five years ago, the class had inducted Ike into the role of permanent honorary president. They added that the party was running over with generals, some 22 all told. Including the wives and the widows, the list totted up to 77, quite the biggest turn-out since the 35-year reunion in 1950. From the Washington area came Bradley, Conklin, Bragdon, Davis, J. F., Ellis, Evans, Gesler, Gillette, Hanley, Haw, Kahle, Larkin, Lyon, Moale, Mueller, Robinson, Saylor, and Wallington. Teter came from West Virginia via Walter Reed Hospital, where he has been a patient for some time. Incidentally, his improvement in health has been encouraging. King, Sherburne, Taylor, Wogan, and White, came up from North Carolina. Maryland was represented by Marsh, "Duke" Miller, and Peabody. Hobbs came from Governors Island, James from Connecticut, "Lev" Williams from Florida, and Small from New Hampshire. Boye and Tompkins were on hand from Virginia, Hess and Hunt from Philadelphia. All except Moale and Peabody were accompanied by their wives. Mrs. Moale was ill and the heavy storm in Maryland made Hume Peabody decide that he would risk only one neck to get to the party. All of the class widows in the Washington area were present: Mrs. Atkins, Mrs. Benedict, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Ord, Mrs. Prichard, and Mrs. Wallace. Mrs. Naiden came on from New York.

Ike's campaign promise to make an on-the-spot survey of the Korean problem and all its corollaries was kept when, in late November, he took off for the front. With Jim Van Fleet set to brief him on tactical matters and Brad to outline the background of over-all strategy, he had the full picture before turning back to the job awaiting him at home.

The aftermath of a hectic political campaign brings out some interesting items of news value to 1915. Buck Finley got off a memorable letter to the *Los Angeles Times* in September, reprinted by the press up and down the West Coast and thereafter distributed in single copies all over the country. For forceful, vigorous writing it ranks with the best that this reporter saw during the entire campaign. Down in Sherman, Texas, Carl Hocker was beating the tom-tom from pre-convention days to the finish. And in South Carolina, Ed Wehman was on the list as a Republican elector.

Hocker's politicking was briefly interrupted when a dreaming South Carolinian crashed his car into Carl's machine. Eleanor (last name Hocker, please) escaped with slight injuries. Carl landed in the Fort Jackson hospital with an allegedly broken neck. The medics took a second look and found it was merely bent. Come to think of it, even the Class of 1912 and the Sladen-Longan team didn't accomplish that much. The Hocker's gadding included a stop with Tom and Hazel Taylor in Chapel Hill, a visit to Hobbs in New York, and ring-side seats with Harmon on the occasion of Ike's speech to the American Legion Convention.

The Hanleys, enjoying retirement, spent a long holiday in the Far West. Lunch with Donnelly, Emery, and McNarney in San Diego; a visit with Finley in Santa

Barbara; and a good talk with Pulsifer, who reports that he can now drive a car but still sticks closely to home base. Enroute they saw McDermott in Midland, Texas; and King and White in Asheville, getting back to Washington in time for the class dinner.

Ailments of one kind and another beset quite a number. Kahle has recovered from a serious operation he underwent in September. Wallington hied himself to Walter Reed after a slight heart attack; seems to be doing well. Lindner has been seriously ill in Murphy General Hospital, Waltham, Mass., where he was visited by Fr. Hartigan, our re-discovered classmate.

Now comes the blight of statutory senility. The last day of January spells retirement for Evans, Hobbs, Larkin, Lester, Mueller, Pendleton, Richards, Woodruff and Zundel. That leaves just ten on the active list of the Army: Bradley, Busbee, Gesler, Gillette, Haw, Kahle, Swing, Van Fleet, Watson, and Young. Harmon will be the lone survivor on the Air Force list after Lyon's retirement on December 31, and Gilkeson's a month later. Item: one doddering old professor still doing business at West Point.

From Babe Weyand comes the news of a royal celebration in which "the grateful citizenry of Jersey City took occasion to honor one of its most illustrious sons, Major General Leland S. Hobbs," on December 11. As one of the city's guests Babe said that he had rarely seen anything approaching the enthusiasm of the celebrators. And just to make sure of capitalizing on Lee's energies, they have made him vice president of the Colonial Trust Company.

Paul Mueller's daughter Betsy was married in Washington on September 20 to Captain William C. Parker, Arty, USMA '46, son of Paul Parker.

Joe Swing hurried to Washington for a three-day Army Commanders' conference in early December.

When a hard-boiled, keenly observant battle-front reporter with no particular affection for the Armed Forces comes up with an accolade for a soldier, it's news. Here's a reporter's appraisal of Jim Van Fleet, distilled from long observation, as it appeared in a recent issue of the *New York Herald-Tribune*:

"I have often wondered whether America realizes just how great a public servant this officer is. He's far more than being a good soldier and tactician. More than any other field general I have ever met, General Van Fleet has the gift of inspiring devotion from other nationalities. He has the capacity to instill in them a deep sense of pride and confidence. That is the only state of mind and heart in which a free man can really fight well. General Van Fleet's remarkable gift for working with other nations was first displayed in Greece, where he helped rally the country to its victory over the invading Communists, and where, as this correspondent learned on a recent visit, he is still a national hero.

"In Korea it is General Van Fleet more than any other man who has rallied the South Korean Army into the fighting force it is today. In talking with any Korean who has personally known General Van Fleet, starting with President Rhee and continuing on down, you will be impressed with the fact that General Van Fleet is not just respected. He is loved. The Koreans say that so far as they are concerned General Van Fleet is as close to irreplaceable as any man can get."

Just to round out the picture, Boye and Ike, President and Honorary President of the Class, wound up the class dinner with the following radio to Jim:

"Thirty-seven classmates and their wives meeting in Washington tonight send greetings and best wishes to you as you carry

the great burdens of command on the Korean battlefield. A salute to you and our affectionate regards to Mrs. Van Fleet."

Harmon, top Air Force man in the business of getting an Air Force Academy established, runs up to West Point from time to time for conferences on curricular matters plus a bite plus a drink or two. He does extremely well on all counts.

Jack Davis has taken a position in Washington with the Magnesium Company of America. Bud Saylor, at the December luncheon, tried to throw him for a fall between manganese and magnesium, only to discover that the old soldier remembered the spec from P. Robinson's course.

Recent visitors: Wogan, with his son, J. B. Jr., in Rockville, Md.; Eisenschmidt with his son, Lt. Col. C. R. Jr., and a call on Paul Mueller in the Pentagon.

A phone call to Weyand from Pearl Stickney brought the sad news of Dad's death at 9:30 AM, December 14, the result of a heart attack. He had been in poor health for several years, but the Stickneys were counting on spending the winter in Burbank, California, where their son Alfred is employed by the Slick Airlines. During the period of his retirement, Dad was a frequent visitor at West Point, rarely missing June Week, and dropping in often during the sport seasons. His last request to Babe called for West Point's winter sport schedule.

—H. B.

1916

After a trip to Washington last September, to the wedding of his boy, now a Captain in the Artillery, Pablo Parker is back at his home in Brookville, Florida. He says he seems to be a little off the travel routes of 1916, and rarely sees a classmate. A call from any of the class, who may be in the Tampa area, will receive a warm welcome.

Stanley Reinhart's son, Stanley, Jr., was married in Birmingham, Michigan last summer. Both children then being married, Stanley, Sr. decided to battle no more Michigan rugged winters. He sold his house and pulled out for Asheville, North Carolina where he found a more salubrious climate. His address is now Kanuga Road, Route 3, Hendersonville, North Carolina. The house he bought, in the mountains, is ideal—swell view and no lawn to mow. The front lawn is all rock.

Frank Scofield pulled out of Washington, early in November, for a trip to Europe. He plans to visit his boy, who is on duty in Germany, and make side trips elsewhere to see his friends. Riney Rinearson, who for the last several years has been on R.O.T.C. duty in Atlanta, Georgia, retired October 31. His new address is 519 Hudson Street, Redwood City, California. Dwight Johns is still with Civil Defense in the San Francisco Bay area. His daughter, Elizabeth, is at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where her husband, Captain Rufsvold, is attending school. Parker Kuhn has rented his country place at Bedford Hills this winter and his address, until next summer, will be 150 East 73rd Street, New York City, N. Y.

On September 25, the first anniversary of his death in Rome, a memorial Mass for Jeff Baldwin was solemnized in The Church of Our Lady of Victory in New York City. Fifteen members of the staff of C.A.R.E., the organization of which he was Director in Italy at the time of his death, attended the service.

Andrew is another classmate who plans to dodge the northern snow, at his home in Vermont, and head south to another home where he can spend the winter in the Florida sun. Notley Duhamel, also a Vermonter, expects to spend Christmas in Washington.

The Army Team had good support from 1916 at the Navy Game in Philadelphia. Bill Hoge, Goop Worsham, Calvin DeWitt, Parker Kuhn, H. L. McBride, Mumma and McCullough were all in there rooting.

Stanley Scott's boy, Gilbert, who graduated last June and is now in the Artillery, is at the Paratroop School at Fort Benning, Georgia. Scott's oldest boy, Stanley, Jr., who was killed in action in Normandy in 1944, was our first class son to graduate. The Library at West Point is getting together a collection of rings representing each class that has graduated, and last Fall his ring was donated by Stanley and Mary Scott to represent the Class of 1939.

Goop Worsham has called our attention to a slight error of a few miles in the location of his present residence. In a recent issue of *Assembly* we reported his address as Camp Ritchie, Maryland. It should have been, Facilities Operations Division M, Camp Detrick, Frederick, Maryland. Quite a different place. Goop's engineering company is operating a research and development project there, and apparently he is thoroughly enjoying the work.

Several classmates have asked for information as to the number left on the Active List. According to our records, there are twelve, as of December, with sixty-five on the Regular Retired List and four on the A.U.S. Retired List.

—E. G. B.

April 1917

The first of the bi-monthly class luncheons of the 1952-53 season for Washington classmates was held at the Fort McNair Club, Thursday, September 25. Nineteen were present and all enjoyed getting together again for the first time after the gatherings at West Point during June week. It gave us an opportunity to extend personally to Willis Slaughter, now at Aberdeen, congratulations on his recent promotion to Brigadier General. Others present were Morris Barroll, Bill Eley, Leo Erler, now stationed in Washington, Louie Ford, Jack Jackson, Make Macon, Mitch Mitchell, also newly arrived in Washington for duty, Dan Noce, Burnet Olmsted, Bob Ransom, Dave Rumbough, Harry Schroeder, Steve Sherrill, Sam Smith, Kive Tully, Van Vander Hyden, George Wooley, Kewp Yuill.

Another of the class children was married since our last report—Louise and Bill Redfield's son, William F. Jr., who married Nancy Faucett in Montclair, September 9th.

Alex Campbell, our west coast correspondent, reported on September 23 that since returning to 884 Covington Road, Los Altos, California, after the reunion, he has seen the Codes quite often. They are established in a beautiful home in Palo Alto, he says. He reported that the Kilburns had a class dinner party Sunday, September 14, at the Presidio Officers' Club. Present were the Campbells, Codes, Haydens, and Irwins. The Louis Martins have now joined the California group, as he has decided to live there, after his vacation in the East last summer.

Dot and Steve Sherrill represented the class at Fort Meade, October 21, for farewell ceremonies honoring Charlie Gerhardt, who retired at his own request. We remembered as we watched him say goodbye to the Army which he has served so well, beginning with his greatness as quarterback of a great Army team in 1916, his brilliance as our class's highest handicapped polo player and his excellence as a golf player. His leadership as commanding general of the 29th Division at the D-day landing on Omaha Beach and the bloody battles on the Normandy peninsula, then across Europe, was extolled in the *Baltimore Sun* on October 1, 1952, and in the *Washington Post*,

from which we quote: "A great believer in physical fitness, the general made his division outstanding in athletics. His troops won more boxing matches and baseball games than any other in England. The West Point graduate, a crack shot, issued an open challenge to any one in his command to a shooting match for a \$2 side bet. For many years he was a member of the Army polo team, riding in this country and abroad".

Nina and Charlie were guests of honor at a reception at General and Mrs. Brooks' quarters and left October 4 for their new home at 2161 Forest Road, Winter Park, Florida. Meach was to have come over from Baltimore but was instead ordered to Johns Hopkins hospital for an emergency appendectomy.

Bill Harrison, senior U.N. negotiator in Korea, recently was promoted to Lieutenant General in recognition of his brilliant work in that most difficult of assignments.

Fat Stewart was in Washington for a few days in early October. We were able to get a few members of the class together hurriedly for an informal luncheon in the Pentagon dining room. He is a real estate salesman at Siesta Key, Sarasota, Florida, and urges all classmates to come there to settle when they retire. Present were Eley, Ford, Mitchell, Rumbough, Sherrill, Teale, Wooley, and Yuill.

Clare Armstrong was in Walter Reed in October and returned to Camp Stewart, Georgia, after an operation. Love Mullins and Birdie Eagles were also ordered to Walter Reed in December for checking before retirement.

Chas. Mason, ex '17er, wrote us from San Antonio on November 11th of A. C. Stanford's death there. This was later confirmed at the Pentagon. He was buried in the National Cemetery at Fort Sam Houston.

Frank Markoe was in Washington early in November and reported that Jack Nygaard had visited him in St. Paul.

The 35 Year Book was mailed November 24th. If you did not receive your copy, or wish some additional ones, write Steve Sherrill at 3015-45th Street, N.W., Washington. They are \$10 a copy plus 21c postage. Or, if you wish your photos and snapshots returned, please drop me a card. Bob Kunz, on duty in New York, was of great assistance in contacting the printer of the book and getting him to expedite the final work on it. It has been a pleasure to hear from many classmates since they received the book. Jeff Steiner, the first to write, says that the welcome mat is always out at his house for classmates, and he wishes he could see more members of the class from time to time.

Present at Fort McNair for the class luncheon on November 26 were: Barroll, Black, Eley, Erler, Jackson, Macon, Noce, Olmsted, Ransom, Rumbough, Schroeder, Sherrill, Smith, S. A., Teale, Tully, Wooley, Vander Hyden, and Yuill.

Copies of the Year Book were sent to all the widows of the class whose addresses are known. Jim Hayden presented a copy to Mrs. E. F. McGlachlin, Fenton's mother, who expressed her appreciation in a beautiful letter from which we quote: "The Year Book and the autographed letter from 1917ers at the reunion will be my most prized possessions. I have loved and followed the Class through the years and take such pride in the fact that Fenton was graduated with it".

Wives of classmates in Washington have started holding bi-monthly luncheons, thanks to the initiative of Dot Eley and Jeanette Jackson. At the first one in September, held at the Army Navy Town Club, nineteen were present. The second was held at the Jackson's quarters at Fort McNair, December 3. Present were Mary Armstrong, Gladys Collins, Dot Eley, Jessie

Fales, Ada Wahl (Louie Ford's sister), Jeanette Jackson, Dorothy Mitchell, Millie Noce, Aline Olmsted, Helen Ransom, Lucie Rumbough, Dot Sherrill, Enriette Schroeder, Catherine Teale, Elizabeth Vander Hyden, Mary Wooley, Gay Yuill. The girls report a fine time. —S. H. S.

August 1917

Your generous response to my recent letter is greatly appreciated. To hear once again from so many I have not seen for years has brought back many fond memories. My sincere thanks to each of you.

With each passing month, as retirements further thin our ranks of those on active duty, we have this fine means of keeping in touch with each other. Through your splendid efforts you have aided me greatly in this, my initial try as a columnist.

Winter Park, Florida, is becoming quite a West Point colony. Eddie House, Willard Hall and Hal Barber (at present in Spain on duty with the State Department) have been joined by Charlie and Nina Gerhardt of April '17. For those looking for a place to enjoy their retirement, Eddie House, its outstanding realtor, reports all who live in Winter Park are very, very happy. After looking at our 35th Reunion picture, he and Willard gained the impression our class "married girls much younger" and cannot understand how all of us have aged so much when they look, to each other, just about the same as when they graduated. They claim, if it had not been for Jules Schaefer's nomenclature of the picture, they could not have told Jerry Counts from Dave Schlenker, in spite of the fact one was a runt and the other a flanker.

Bob Willard, commanding the Signal Corps Training Center at Camp Gordon, is loyally with the idea of retiring (if Congress permits) next year—but has a problem. Forrest wants to settle in Asheville and Bob is holding out for Coral Gables. If arbitration is necessary, suggest Eddie House as the ideal arbiter.

Once again, Hi Ely has returned to active duty. He reentered the Service as Chief of the Fire Control Group at Frankford Arsenal on September 25.

Red Warner, while Adjutant General of our forces in Germany, was promoted to B.G.

From the 3rd Armored Division at Fort Knox, Ray Williamson returns to attaché work as Army Attaché in London.

Dad Riley, who retired recently and has a place on the outskirts of Leesburg, Virginia, is still devoted to horses, and brought three back with him from France. One, a young and skittish creature, recently gave him a fine policing, and as a result is now nursing a broken hand.

Ed. and Ruth Leavey are now living at 1172 Park Avenue, New York. Ed, after serving on Eisenhower's staff at SHAPE, has re-retired and has joined the International Telephone Company as a Vice President.

Everitt Brown writes he has no news whatsoever about himself, but he did have the pleasure of a visit from Pat Mahoney in early November. Pat, after about eight years in Tokyo, was taken ill and sent to Walter Reed. He is physically fine now and hoping to go back to Tokyo in the near future.

Maris Black, just out of the hospital at Fort Meade, is living in Baltimore and commanding the Chemical Corps Material Command. He is planning to stay on active duty until retirement age, in March 1954. He transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service in 1921 and now, with one exception, is the oldest officer in terms of years of service with the Corps.

Leo Conner, who retired in 1948 at his

own request, occupies his time as Executive Secretary with several divisional associations, including the 1st and 11th Armored Divisions and the 101st Airborne. He and Miriam recently had dinner with Phil and Tommy Day and Elaine and Poopy Griffith, and often see Jack and Margaret Bellinger, who now live in Bethesda.

Bill Reeder is to retire next January 31. His address, after then, will be 6200 North 28th Street, Arlington, Virginia.

Pinky Rolfe is now in Tokyo after his stay in Sendai with the Northern Command from April to October. He and Nan live in Pershing Heights, in an apartment called Building B, fixed up for Generals. They offer to roll out the red carpet for any of our class. As part of his job is doing that for V.I.P.'s he feels he can do it well and will give to any of our class V.I.P.-I treatment (Very Important Persons *Indeed*).

Swede Sarka says he is just plugging along in the country and developing into quite a hillbilly. Litchfield, Connecticut, has been his home for 31 years. Swede, as Headmaster of the Litchfield School, and Betty have made an enviable reputation as educators of small boys.

Bob Bacon visited West Point in the early fall to check upon his two cadet sons—one, a Second Classman, and the other, a Plebe. The older boy is the Academy's best high jumper and the other is on the Plebe football squad.

Other class sons now at West Point are: Class of 1953—Bringham; Class of 1954—Woodbury; Class of 1955—Hasbrouck and Warner; Class of 1956—Wilson.

We are glad to hear that Cooper Barnes is well on the way to recovery from a slight heart attack. Cooper has been in Webster Groves, Missouri, for some time but reports that his house is now up for sale as it is his intention to return to California.

Another West Point colony is growing up in Bradenton, Florida. Word from Ross Garity tells us that he and Mary went down there in 1948—and last year McGregor built on the same block.

From Bart Harloe, who in early 1950 upon retirement bought a home on Diamond Head overlooking Waikiki Beach and has now become reactivated as Professor of Civil Engineering at the University of Hawaii, comes word that Carl and Madeline Wilson have just arrived to live in the house they have owned for ten years in anticipation of retirement.

Carl Wilson was given a gala send-off ceremony upon retirement, with our class represented by Mickey Kernan, Taylor deCamp, Frank Bertholet and Jack Mallory. Frank, just back from Korea, is in Lebanon Hospital expecting a disability retirement.

A number of our class saw the Army-USC game. At a luncheon given by Bob and Margaret Bringham before the game, there were Bill Chapman and Wilson and Emily Bingham. It is wonderful news to hear that Wilson, who has been so ill, has come back so rapidly. At the game, also, were Froggie Reed and his son.

From the San Francisco area, Bill Chapman writes he sees quite a bit of Bush and Julia Bissell, Willie and Inez Wilson, and Arthur and Betty Weeks.

George Hirsch is in Honolulu as Ordnance Officer of the U.S. Army, Pacific. Bart Harloe writes he is enjoying life and looking fine despite his long ordeal as a prisoner of war in Japan.

Jules Schaefer certainly gets around. I am sure he has seen more classmates in recent years than any of us. Bill Chapman writes "Jules stopped by Pacific Grove and visited us in July while on a trip to the West Coast"

"Retired 1946—tried Salem, Oregon—tried Florida—looked one year—bought on beach—built—health better—like it—" is the laconic report of Operation SEARCH which

has now ended successfully in Daytona Beach for the Glen Andersons.

Pablo Cole is starting his seventh year at Washington University in St. Louis, and had made plans "to turn in his suit" next spring, but the Department of Defense has decided otherwise and he will now stay until May 31, 1955.

Clyde Morgan, who is still running the Armored Division of the Emerson Manufacturing Company in St. Louis, writes that the St. Louis section ranks of our class has recently been sadly decimated; Otto Jank has left for Texarkana, Kenneth Moore to the San Francisco district, and Dutch Gerhardt to Remington Rand in New York City. This leaves only Pablo, Clyde, Bob Graham and Cooper Barnes.

From Kenwood, California, we hear that Spider Maling is keeping busy with various community activities and working around his place.

Henri Gantt, now at Camp Rucker, Alabama, has recently bought a new home with some 700 feet of beach, a good pier and a boathouse, located at the mouth of the river one mile from the York River Bidge. He hopes to retire soon and would be glad to have any of us come by to see them, either there or at Camp Rucker.

Poopy Griffith has just been elected President of the Northern Virginia Society of Professional Engineers, as well as a State Director-at-Large for the Virginia Society of Professional Engineers.

Perry Lewis, since retirement to Hampton, Virginia, has, in order to keep the old brain from ossifying, interested himself in charity, civic and Red Cross work. As Chairman of the Laymen's Work of the Episcopal Church, he has become interested in Boys Home in Covington, Virginia, so now he is spending a great deal of his time running around the State of Virginia speaking before civic clubs and other organizations, trying to give the Boys Home some sadly needed publicity. Near Fort Monroe, only he and Teddy Buechler remain. Pop Goode, who at the time of retirement was Headquarters Commandant, Field Forces, and Deputy Post Commander, Fort Monroe, is now Secretary of Commissioners, U.S. Soldiers Home, Washington, D. C.

Find Henry Demuth has changed his address. He is Deputy Chief of Staff U.S. Army, Caribbean. His present address is HQUSARCIB, Ft. Amador, C. Z.

We are extremely sorry to hear that Jack and Ellen Mallory's daughter, Sally, who came to the coast to be with them while her husband was in Korea, came down with polio and has been in the Letterman Hospital for over three weeks. We are happy to report she has now left the hospital and appears to be completely on the way to full recovery.

Ted Futch is now V Corps Artillery Officer and stationed at Darmstadt, Germany. He reports he has only seen two classmates—Red Warner and Red Durfee—for many years. Ted, give us a ring when you return to this country.

The Dick Whittingtons are still in the New York area and live in Montclair, New Jersey.

Not too far away, up in Connecticut, are Harry and Mary Wood. Harry divides his time between his duties with the Veterans Administration, the Air Force Reserve and the West Point Society of Connecticut, while Mary is actively engaged in the real estate business.

Just in time to meet the deadline comes a most welcome letter from Spain, from Hal Barber, who came out of retirement after Korea to enter the State Department. He is now Special Assistant to the Ambassador in Madrid. With his letter came a very nice check for the Class Fund. Many thanks to you, Hal, from the Class.

—Walker G. White.

June 1918

Clarence Townsley, caught off guard and in a weak moment, has agreed to take charge of arrangements for our 35th Reunion. The dates: May 29th to June 2nd. PLEASE—AT ONCE—(a) Write "C.P." and tell him you'll be there. (b) Tell him how many of your family will be with you and when you will arrive. (c) Give him your correct address and the current address of every classmate you know to be correct. (d) Contact all classmates you can and have them do likewise, and (e) Send "C.P." five bucks toward expenses—He will need all the dough he can get. Clarence's address is: 2 Park Avenue, Room 1804, New York 16, N. Y. Use air mail.

Bill Barriger has just been made Chief of Staff, Headquarters, Army Forces Far East, A.P.O. 343 care Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif. Congratulations Bill. Just before this new assignment, Mickey and Bill wrote us: "This finds us beautifully settled in a lovely apartment in Tokyo and enjoying life to the fullest. But all good things must come to an end and so, come soon, we will move to Yokohama into a house near the water's edge. Where we are at present we have a magnificent view of Fuji and today she appeared in all her splendor—clothed in a beautiful white robe. The first of the season. The Dick McKees live near us and are both looking fine. Tom Kern arrived not long ago and we have heard Bishop is in Yokohama, but to date we have not seen him. Sammy Cruze comes down often from Kyoto and on his next trip we all hope to get together"

Lucius Clay has been doing a terrific job with Ike. Until July, he hoped to get a little rest "after the Convention". Then he looked forward to easing up a bit "after the election". Now, we presume it's "after Inauguration". His work with Ike, of course, is in addition to all his other jobs. Where does that guy get his energy? Just trying to run a little book-end business, single handed, has caused your scribe to lose twenty-five pounds in six months, and five inches from his waist line, and to miss all the football games.

The big news for our Class is that Sam Sturgis is the new Chief of Engineers. Congratulations and best wishes, Sam, from all classmates! Charlie Blanchard has been relieved from duty in Europe and is assigned to the XV Corps Artillery at Camp Polk, La. Eddie Sibert has been relieved from Camp Edwards and ordered to Korea. Lloyd Mielenz has been relieved from duty with the Engineer Center, Fort Belvoir, Va., and has been assigned to the U.S. Army in Europe, with station in the Communications Zone, Orleans, France. Mabel and Jim Marshall are in Zonguldak, Turkey, with Koppers Company, Inc., where Jim, as Director of Operations, is supervising the construction of port facilities and coal preparation plants, being built by the Turkish Government, with a small staff of American engineers and a large group of Turkish technical men. Jim writes: "Brought Mabel back with me via the *Queen Mary*. We were 'delayed' in Paris for eight days. We are hoping to be present at the Reunion in June. We now have four grandchildren, Bob (Class of January '43) has two boys and a girl; and Beryl has a new daughter born in Rochester a few days ago. Keep up the good work on the Class Notes. Those of us in rather far away places enjoy them more than ever". ("Director of Operations" no less! What high sounding titles some of these broken down Engineers do acquire.)

Speaking of Engineers, the Sage of San Mateo has sent us a check for ten dollars. He must be doing right well at the Burlingame Bridge Club. With his check (and a like one from Tenney Ross) comes a copy of a letter Hans wrote with reference

to his nomination by Tenney (as "Director of Operations" we assume) in the matter of a Class Cup for our youngest Class Son, Master Robert Davis Neilson. This letter, written in the brilliant, inimitable Kramerian style, does not lend itself to the dignified pages of *Assembly*. At our Reunion, it will be "framed and posted in a prominent place on the premises", as required for alcohol permits. The few publishable lines are as follows: "I heartily agree that this doddering Class of ours should pay some homage to its youngest son and cheerfully subscribe to a suitable trophy for Murray's heir (my previous suggestion was a tin cup). However, inasmuch as Jack Grant is already administering a Class fund, of undisclosed size and for unspecified purposes, my practical judgment rejects the suggestion of opening another account and installing another bookkeeper. Hence, in the interest of administrative efficiency and fiscal simplicity, I am endorsing your check to Jack together with a counterpart of my own. Had your letter arrived a day earlier, I would have been delighted, then and here, to put the bite on Pat Tansey in person during the course of his two-star visitation. However, I'm sure that a man of Pat's affluence and accomplishments will contribute voluntarily and generously to the just cause that you have belatedly sponsored."

Write "C.P." now that you will be at our 35th Reunion on May 29th.

Send Class Notes to John L. Grant, 61 Stanton St., New York 2, N. Y.

—J. L. G.

November 1918

The Washington Group is holding its Class Luncheons at the Fort McNair Club the second Wednesday in each month, as in former years. The September, October and November Luncheons were well attended. Conrad and Hixon were in town and came to the November meeting.

Recent changes in the Washington group include: Art Mickelsen, departure to Hawaii; Lew Gibney, to Philadelphia; Art Pulsifer, retirement and to home he has bought in Florida, address 1522 Hull St. South, Gulfport, Fla., has plenty of room for classmate visitors and palm trees to climb, which he did and fell from, breaking his wrist; Harrison Shaler, after picking up a star goes to command Red River Arsenal. Rumor had it that Bonner Fellers would be going over The Hill after Eisenhower was nominated, but he's still here so I guess he's accepted the Party Unification.

Recent arrivals are: Johnnie Hinds; Charlie Hixon; Hester Hastings; Bill Badger; Al Miller; Tubby Snow; Frank Stoner; Leverett Yoder; and Art Pence.

Van Voorst was elected at our September meeting as chairman of the 35th Reunion committee. He accepted and is working out details which will be circularized. Probably the two big events will come Saturday night (Picnic) and Sunday night (Dinner at Bear Mountain Inn).

Also at the September meeting the Washington Group accepted Conrad's request to take an executive responsibility for class matters.

Hunk Holbrook has accepted the job of steering the Caboose Cup to consecutive qualified holders and to the ultimate final holder. Corp's period for holding has run out. Anyone claiming a legal offspring after 30 years should write to Hunk and file claim. When a proud Caboose Parent has to relinquish possession to a later qualifier, the class gives him a permanent small silver goblet to drown his sorrow with. This is also arranged by Hunk.

A class Ladies Night dinner dance was held November 8 in a private dining room of the Officers' Club at the Naval Gun Factory. Thirty-six turned out and had a swell time. This party initiated a twice-a-year program for these events. Corp had to be out of town for this one but he trusted Mary to Howie Canan for the evening, and she teamed up with Jimmie Hemingway to keep the fun and frolic going. Incidentally, the next time you see Howie Canan ask him about the eight steaks. It's a saga worth hearing.

The engagement of Miss Elizabeth Boyd to 2nd Lt. Frederick A. Stevens, Jr., was announced recently. Betsy is known to several of our classmates due to her having attended the Navy game last year and June week of '52. Young Fred called on Shaler and Norman in Washington recently. They report that he is a very attractive fellow.

Maude Muller writes from Europe: "Time certainly flies because it's well over a year now since I arrived in Fontainebleau on this assignment. Mrs. Muller and my son and daughter remained in this area during the summer of '51 and then returned to the United States in order that Betty Anne could finish college and Walter could attend Sullivan's 'Prep School', just north of West Point. Betty Anne finished college at Tarrytown this year and both she and Mrs. Muller are back here with me in Europe. Walter, Jr. entered West Point in the Class of '56, and is now starting his academic year. He is in I-2, Corps of Cadets, and I would appreciate it if you happen to be around West Point if you would see how he is getting along.

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"Some notes on our Class over here. Bobbie Schow is up at SHAPE as G-2 and while I see very little of him, he seems to be doing very fine. Jesse Graham is the Sub-Post Commander at Karlsruhe, Germany. I saw Jesse and his wife and daughter last week. He has the same Oklahoma wit and humor that he had while a Cadet. Johnny Stokes is in Italy but I haven't had the pleasure of seeing him since he arrived on that assignment.

"I know that you have more of an opportunity to see and communicate with many of our Class and I wish you would give them my best regards whenever you contact any of them."

Bill Blair writes from Evergreen, Colorado: "I am here for a few days doing some maintenance work on the mountain place. Beautiful Indian Summer days now with warm days, and the nights down below freezing. The pine knot fire in the fireplace feels most comfortable this evening. Talked on the telephone today with Bill Benton, and he suggested that we drive to Boulder Saturday to see the University of Colorado-Nebraska football game, and then go chew the fat with Corny Hahn afterward. It was a big temptation, but I have to take advantage of this weather while it lasts to get things done here before winter starts.

"Not long ago in Sterling, the president of the Sterling Chamber of Commerce one day said: 'Bill, I was at a meeting in Arvada the other day, and a very colorful fellow with a moustache, named Rhoads, inquired about you, and said he was a classmate of yours at West Point.' Arvada is a suburb of Denver, and an atomic plant is being constructed there. With the above clues, I proceeded to look up Mark the next time I was up that way. I succeeded in locating him and we had lunch together in Denver. It was very true. He does have a moustache, a great scraggly one. Oddly enough, it is quite becoming, but must confess that I would not have recognized him, had I not been fore-advised. Mark has a country home near Arvada and is retired. In order to have something to do, he vol-

unteered his services to the Arvada Chamber of Commerce a year or two ago. This was gratis. Mark made himself so useful, that now they do not feel that they can get along without him, and insist that he take quite a substantial salary.

"In August, Bill Benton and I drove over to Camp Carson near Colorado Springs one day to see George Keyser, the new commander. In order to get an early start, I bunked overnight at Bill's house in Denver, and we left in my car about 6:00 AM, after a breakfast of fried eggs and bacon, toast, and coffee, prepared by Bill Benton. At field cooking, Bill is not bad, and the breakfast tasted fine. When we got to Camp Carson, we found that unfortunately George had that morning been stricken with a most painful sore back that kept him in quarters. This, of course, gave us plenty of time to visit, and we had a most enjoyable time talking with George and his pretty wife, Mary. Before we left, George said he had a surprise for me. The aide took me over to the artillery area, and to my amazement there was a battalion of pack artillery just returning to stables from a march. That was really a sight for hungry eyes, the mules, etc. Seems this unit has just recently been reconstituted, and is probably the only mounted unit existing."

Fred Pearson is still traveling the South West on his Audit Agency job. He probably sees more classmates than any of us. He reports that George Eddy has gone to Fitzsimons for a complete physical check-up after working himself down doing a splendid job at White Sands.

Alex McCone, Nancy (wife) and Rommel (Dachshund) drove East in an open M.G. Midget. However, all looked in the best of life. The open air must agree with them. After taking in a wedding and a show or two in New York, they returned to Little Rock.

"Colonel Bopley" (alias Lawrence Bixby) writes that he finds his new profession, that of short-story writer, an arduous one. But he is still winning prizes, and has sold stories to seven magazines, including *Harper's*, *Reader's Digest*, *Open Road* and *Victorian*.

—Bryan Conrad.

1919

The following items, furnished by Jazzbo Murphy, Director of Personnel and Administration, EUCOM, just missed making the last issue: "Bob Montague returned to the U.S. last August to head up a new division in the Army Field Forces. He was replaced as G-3 at EUCOM by Buddy Ferenbaugh, a big boy from Pen Yan. Wes Jervy has recently moved from Berlin to the new headquarters called U.S. EUCOM. The remainder are still in the same jobs; Bob Gard, Artillery Commander, VII Corps; Harris Scherer, AG, Seventh Army; Harlan Hartness, Commanding the Fourth Infantry Division; Ernest Bixby, Commanding at Nurnberg; and Gene McGinley at Stuttgart. Lil Frederick has recently been moved from G-4, Communications Zone at Orleans to command the big training center at Baumholder. Bill Wyman has reported to CINCSOUTH in command of the NATO forces in that area including the Greeks and Turks. Lofty Snodgrass will move soon from JA Seventh Army at Stuttgart to JA USAREUR here. I have rather lost track of Trieste since my correspondent Ed Sebree departed for Camp Chaffee"

Speaking of Bill Wyman, your correspondent recently had a letter from him from Izmir, Turkey. He says Izmir is a most interesting locality where one can see the struggle of a once backward nation

reaching for the things of modern civilization with very considerable success. He feels the Turks are a remarkable and impressive people. I believe Ethel plans to join Bill at Izmir if she has not already done so.

The last list of promotions to permanent B.G. included the names of Gard, Hardin, J. R., and McGinley. Meyer, H. J. D. was retired for physical disability in the grade of Brigadier General on September 30. The class apparently fared well with respect to exemptions from compulsory retirement on July 1, 1953 by operation of the five years a Colonel and 30 years service provision of law. According to the announced retentions, in addition to permanent general officers, we shall have 56 permanent Colonels on active duty after July 1, 1953 (of course many of the 56 hold temporary general officer rank).

Football game visitors to West Point during the fall included the Bob Carters, Harrison Heiberg, George Horowitz, Doc Johnson, and the Bill Regans. George states that his son Jimmy (USMA 1950) is recently back from a tour in Korea with two Air Medals to his credit. West Point was also the scene on October 20 of the wedding of Drake Wilson (USMA '52) to Miss Ann Hafford of Kingston, Rhode Island. L. C. and Dotty Wilson were here to see their son married. Both L. C. and Drake are expecting Korean service shortly.

The following comes from our Washington secretary, Horace Speed: "Bill Kean and Kathrine were in Washington for a couple of weeks while Bill presided over a Board to pick Generals for promotion from Colonels. On November 1st Al and Dade Wedemeyer had a big party at their farm "Friend's Advice" near Boyds, Maryland to celebrate our exit from the ranks of cadets 34 years ago. At the last minute Al was sent to the West Coast to make a speech for Ike and missed the party, much to everyone's regret. Dade performed wonderfully as hostess and made everyone feel at home. In attendance were Ray and Jean Marie Burgess, Sladen and Sue Bradley, Mike and Marjorie Brannon, Wyburn Brown, Joe and Maxine Cranston, Fred and Betty Drury, Les and Dot Flory, Jimmy Harbaugh, Bert Hardin (John was in Alaska), Doc and Opie Loper, Doc and Patty Martin, Tom and Freda McGregor, Dick and Emma Ovenshine, Jazz and Ann Parsons, Willie Palmer, Harry and Mary Rex, Don and Bea Shingler, Horace and Minette Speed, Eddie Starr, Hugh Waddell, Ham Young, Henry Nichols (he lives in Amherst, Mass.), Hugh and Peggy Elliott from Matthews, Va., and Bob Hill (now on active duty at Fort Eustis, Va.) We were honored to have with us five class widows, Helen Bryan, Marian Bruckner, Rosa Kerr, Marian O'Reilly and Wallace Bruner (she departed next day for Tulsa, Oklahoma where she will make her home). Letters of regret were received from Fort Monroe from Heiberg, Madison, Montague, Niblo, and Ruth. Kyke Allan had to sail for Paraguay just before the party. Miller, R. J. (the Crown Prince), now Assistant Manager of the Prince Carl Hotel, 1901 K Street, NW, was unable to get to the party because of illness, likewise Tony McAuliffe, who was recovering from a minor operation at Walter Reed. Joe and Marian Phelps are visiting their daughter and son-in-law in Salzburg. His son Joe Jr. is married and working for Bethlehem Steel in Quincy, Mass. Joe has a home on the eastern shore of Maryland near Bozmann"

Capt. Robert B. Dunham (USMA '46), son of Bill and Buzz Dunham, was buried in Arlington Cemetery on November 7. He was killed in Korea early in September. Our class was represented by 10 classmates at the funeral. Air Cadet James E. Parker, Jr. (Ex-USMA 1952), was killed in an air

crash in Texas on November 17. His father, Major General James E. Parker, met his death in an air crash in 1945 somewhere off the coast of China. 2nd Lt. James H. Phillip, Jr. (USMA 1951) was wounded in action in Korea this fall. He is making a good recovery and will probably be returned to his unit.

S. T. (Si) Morgan, who resigned from the class during our plebe year, has recently been elected a Vice President of Marts and Lundry, Inc., of New York City, fund raising directors for educational and philanthropic institutions.

The Washington group, through their secretary Horace Speed, Jr. (19 Fort Hunt Road, Belle Haven, Alexandria, Va.), have proposed the adoption of a class policy with respect to flowers on the occasion of funerals. The proposed policy is this: That the Treasurer defray the cost of flowers for all funerals taking place either at West Point or in Washington with burial in Arlington Cemetery from the class fund. This action would be taken whenever the deceased is a member of the class, his wife, or one of his children. The class fund now amounts to a little over \$850.00 and the average cost of flowers is about \$15. Unless your Treasurer and scribe receives an appreciable number of protests he will assume that silence means assent and put the new policy into effect from here on in. Members of the class are reminded that our 35th reunion is due June Week 1954. You may expect a flood of propaganda to begin in about six months from the local committee which by unanimous vote of all those members of the class stationed at West Point will undoubtedly be Brick Bartlett and Frank Davis.

—B. W. B.

1920

On September 20, 1952, an interesting letter was received by Charlie West from "Chesty" Haswell. "Chesty", as I believe is generally known, manages the large plantation of his wife's family in St. Joseph, La. I quote two paragraphs from his letter:

"While plantation management is usually considered one of the more healthful occupations, I was really thrown for a '20-yard loss' last winter. Without any prior warning I suffered a very severe gall bladder attack. Proper diet and a reduction in my work load have helped considerably but I am still quite weak and underweight. For a time I considered taking a real retirement but the death of my father-in-law last February prevented my taking that step. We are still working on the distribution of the estate and the determination of tax liability. Within the next year I do hope to be in a position to take life a bit easier.

"Eulamay is still the picture of middle-aged health and beauty. She keeps busy all the time with garden clubs, women's clubs and Church activities. During the past few months she has been of great help and comfort to her mother, the other members of the family having children and other responsibilities. We keep talking of how much fun it would be to run up to New York, see a few shows and possibly spend a weekend at West Point."

Then, a week ago, I had another fine letter from Carl Duffner. Among other things Carl said:

"On May 21, 1952 I was married. My wife Claudia, whom I met in New Orleans while I was on duty as Senior Instructor of the Louisiana National Guard, accompanied me on a change of station to my present command, Fort Richardson, Alaska, where I am the Post Commander as well as the

Commanding Officer of the Ground Defense Forces. It is a most interesting assignment and, except for combat, the most interesting for me as well as the most important.

"I was quite shocked at reading the news of Burgard's death. I certainly did not expect that. I had not seen him since we graduated from the Infantry School in 1921."

It is a great pleasure to receive letters like the above, and I wish more members of the Class would communicate similarly.

From *Armed Force* magazine, October 25, 1952, comes the following: "Gen. Maddox Honored at Fort Monroe:

"A 13-gun salute and an honor guard ceremony, in which eight general officers participated greeted *Maj. Gen. Halley G. Maddox* to Fort Monroe, Va., last week. General Maddox will succeed *Maj. Gen. William S. Lawton* as Chief of Staff for Army Field Forces. General Lawton, who will leave for a new assignment with the Far East Command next month, was present for the ceremony.

"Accompanied by *Maj. Gen. Robert M. Montague*, Deputy Chief of Army Field Forces, General Maddox reviewed the colorful blue-uniformed guard as top-ranking officers from the staff sections of the Office, Chief of Army Field Forces, stood by. Other general officers at the honor guard included *Maj. Gen. Charles D. Palmer*, *Brig. Gen. Urban Biblo*, *Brig. Gen. Earle Standlee*, *Brig. Gen. Samuel G. Conley*, and *Brig. Gen. G. E. Vogel*.

"General Maddox, whose last previous assignment was as Chief of Staff for the Third Army, was promoted to the rank of major general last month. He is a 1920 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point." Congratulations, Halley!

Word arrived from Washington early this week that *Brig. Gen. Bernard L. Robinson* (Robby) has just been relieved from his duties as Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia, and about January 1, 1953 is expected to become Deputy Chief of Army Engineers. This probably means his promotion to the rank of major general. Fine business, Robby, and congratulations!

Early in November, *Clovis Byers*, who has been Commanding General of the XVI Corps in the Far East Command since last January, returned to the United States for a new assignment, which will be announced shortly by Secretary of the Army *Frank Pace, Jr.*

A news item released a few weeks ago mentioned *Lt. Gen. Thomas D. White* as one of several possible successors to the position of Chief of Staff, USAF. Tom is now Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations.

Two classmates recently promoted to temporary higher rank are: *Frank W. Farrell* to the grade of temporary major general (Frank is now Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff G-3, Operations), and *George Rehm* to the grade of temporary brigadier general (George is now Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans, European Command).

Hayden Sears was appointed early in November to be Commander of the New Jersey Military District at Kearney, New Jersey. Hayden previously had been Senior Division Instructor with the 50th Armored Division, New Jersey National Guard.

The *Army Navy Air Force Journal* dated November 8, 1952 contained the notice of retirement, upon his own application, of *John T. Lynch*, Colonel, QMC. Some of you may remember that I quoted in this column two years ago a nostalgic poem of cadet life written by John. Best wishes, John, for a pleasant and healthful life in retirement, and congratulations on a job well done!

The small increments which we have been receiving from time to time in the form of contributions from classmates to the Class Fund have not greatly increased

the over-all figure which I gave you in the last issue. More is required. How about making out that small check and sending it to either your scribe, P.O. Box 94 West Point, New York, or directly to *Charlie West*, Professor of Law, Class Treasurer. We would like to build the fund up to a respectable figure and then stop mentioning it, so please don't delay.

I take this opportunity to send to each and every member of the Class of 1920 my very best wishes for all happiness and cheer in 1953.

—E. C. G., Jr.

1921 and 1922

The sympathy of the Class goes to *Bob* and *Burt Pierce*, who were at West Point early in December for the funeral of their son (USMA 1950), killed in action in Korea. He had been missing for some months; though he was believed to have been killed instantly while leading a counterattack, no one had actually seen it happen and there was a long period of uncertainty until the body was recovered.

First Lieutenant *Harry W. Lombard* (USMA '51) son of our Lombard, was reported in December as wounded in action in Korea.

Recent reports show that the Orioles keep on the move. *Bill Lawton* has gone to the Far East, *Marge* meanwhile occupying a small apartment in Hampton, Virginia. *Elizabeth* and *John Uncles* went from Germany to Washington—visiting, en route, their daughter, whose husband is a Math instructor at West Point. *Tommy Thomson* remains overseas but is in Austria now. *Mudgett* recently received his second star in Tokyo. *D. J. Crawford* has been heading up the Army side of our mission in Turkey. And *Bob Pierce* is headed overseas again.

Chief Freeman and *Bob Douglass* seem to have represented the Orioles at the Georgia Tech game early in November. Seen at Navy Game were *Clark of the Army*, *Harry Albert*, *Bobby Blair*, *Harry Haas*, *Frank Kane*, *Bill Kyle*, *Johnny Johnson*, *Perry Smith*, *Harry Stout*, *Max Taylor*, *Hank Tyler* and *Charlie Barrett*, and there were doubtless others. *Max Taylor* and *George Olmsted* were at West Point for a game on November 1, and of course the Kleins never miss. Max was the principal speaker at the pre-Navy Game rally in the Messhall on Thanksgiving night.

Frank Mulvihill writes that his son, *Tony*, not only earned his major letter as a freshman at Loyola Prep in Chicago, by winning the Catholic Tennis Championship of that city, but also stood 50 out of 4,000 in a Latin contest there. Versatile, eh?

If anyone needs a lawyer, *Toy Gregory* is set up in Las Vegas, Nevada, and *Kenny Pughe* in Coral Gables, Florida, all ready to help.

Recently listed for promotion to the permanent grade of major general are *Mathewson* and *Schuyler*; to permanent brigadier general are *Lawton*, *Pierce* and *Watson*. Congratulations on such well-deserved recognition.

—C. J. B.

1923

The Washington Group held its first formal party of the season at the Ft. Lesley J. McNair Officers' Club on October 18, where a steak dinner preceded an evening of dancing. Attendance included the wives

and guests of the following: *Ralph Bing*, *Jimmie Carroll*, *Ossie Cunkle*, *Mark Galusha*, *Joe Greene*, *Wendell Johnson*, *Pat Mahoney*, *Metz Seebach*, *George Stewart*, *Tommy Thompson*, and *P. D. Weikert*. Class luncheons were also held in the Pentagon on September 29 and November 28.

Mike Buckley, *Pfeiffer*, *Johnny White* and *Roy Lord* were here for the North Carolina game. *Freddie Philips* got here for three games. However, one of the frustrating features for your correspondent is the position of his seat in the box, which effectively insulates him from contact with classmates and contemporaries. *Mike Buckley* came around to Quarters 76 after the game for a cup of cheer and a bull fest.

The following events for the 30th Reunion have been definitely scheduled: dinner dance at Officers' Club, Stewart AFB, Saturday, May 30, and picnic supper in the Pavilion, Camp Buckner, Sunday, May 31. The Washington Committee will inform you of details when its plans have been completed.

On October 19 *Miles Reber* phoned from Washington to inform me of the death of *Lou Storck's* son, *John*, killed in action in Korea, and to ask me to get in touch with *Lou's* other son, *George*. *George* and his sister were at the cadet hop at the time. The way he took the news and the competent manner in which he made decisions and arrangements were impressive. We have in him a son of whom we can all be proud. We hope that this will be the last sorrow to afflict him and his family.

John Noyes reported on a meeting of the New York Group, a luncheon held at the Military-Naval Club under the auspices of *Jack White*, who is a member. Others present were *Lou Marshall*, *Wendell Johnson*, *Russ Minty* and *Roy Lord*. *John* summed up by saying, "Really, not a great deal happened, but it was very enjoyable".

Lou Marshall wrote on November 16 to announce his imminent departure for his new assignment, Hq. 14th AF, Robins AFB, Georgia. He said, "Frenchy Grombach did visit us (Armed Forces Information School) and delivered a fine talk to our students on international public relations." He also wrote, "Judge Noyes has also left, for Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Even though we are going South (for the winter, at least) I am still counting on being in on our 30th."

Charlie Lawrence writes, "After my long siege at Fittsimons, I'm very much alive and chipper and have moved family and impedimenta to Tucson, Ariz., to enjoy retired life in the desert country." His address is *Maj. General C. W. Lawrence*, Route 8, Box 740. Street address: 5800 E. Wilshire Drive.

Clyde Rich broke his silence of several years by writing a long news letter from Hq. 12th Air Force, at Wiesbaden, "Oscar Stewart is on active duty and presently in command of one of our bases at Bordeaux, France. His official address is 7413 Air Base Squadron, APO 16, USAF. Al Crawford is stationed in Frankfurt with US CINCEUR as J-4 of that over-all command. *Bill Hardy* in Africa; *Jimmie Hicks* in Chateauroux, France; and *Bob Oliver* in Burtonwood, England; hold down depot jobs. *Dave Schlatter* is Commander, Allied Air Forces Southern Europe, in Italy. *Phil Enslow* and *Einar Gjelsteen* are in Seventh Army along with *Shafer*, *Battle Horton* and *Timberman*. There may be one or two more, but since they are in Stuttgart, I do not get to see them too often.

"This past summer we had quite a few sons around who, of course, at the end of the summer were scratching to get back. I think we managed to get them all back, thanks to the excellent facilities of *Joe Smith's MATS*. Incidentally *Joe* was over here a few weeks ago checking up on his far flung organizations.

"P. D. Weikert dropped in last month on a visit. P. D. was looking very well and was bragging in no uncertain manner about his marvelous protein diet, proving its effect by showing about six inches slack in his blouse.

"Bruce King and Pete Leone are in Berlin with John Evans also there, I believe. The other John Evans (J. H.) is in Tangier as Military Attache.

"I see Jeff Binns fairly frequently. The last time I was in Stockholm, I missed Barroll who was roaming somewhere else in Sweden.

"I am winding up my third year in Europe in a few months and it has been a very interesting experience. I came over in the early days of the Mutual Assistance Program and ended up with a transfer to one of the NATO Air Forces from which position I have been able to observe the growth of NATO and participate in several of its maneuvers. If all goes well I hope to be back in the United States by next summer and see you at the Thirtieth Reunion."

Harry Scheetz described the Penn Game as a thriller and said that he saw Opie Newman and his wife and Tredennick's brother, Bill. At the Navy Game he saw Dick Russell, Walter Tully and Frenchie Grombach.

Harry Crandall, Class of '25, dropped by a few days ago and reported having seen Damon Gunn, now back from Germany and on duty in the Pentagon. He also saw Wade Heavey in the office of the Army Comptroller. Wade now looks fully restored to health after a lengthy sojourn in the hospital. Harry, who is stationed in Hawaii, often sees Allen Smith, who lives there. He reports Allen in fine health and spirits.

—W. J. Morton.

1924

Thanks to all who sent in news, if all you reported isn't in the January issue it will be in the following *Assembly*. Many questioned as to how much they owe in dues; all Bulls who have not paid five dollars since January 1, 1952 will find themselves in arrears after January 1, 1953, otherwise our records reveal everyone in good standing. In answer to another question, yes, the Watson on the letterhead is James A. Watson, Jr. and to Gus a vote of thanks for making it possible to circularize the class for news. Gus has offices in Washington and will be most happy to receive a call at anytime you pass through the Nation's Capital.

At the annual meeting of the Class of '24 USMA Association, acting President Eddleman announced the results of balloting as follows: Proposed amendment to article IV and proposed amendment to article VII, 221 yes and 2 no. Election of class officers: President—Stokes, First Vice President—J. G. Hill, Second Vice President—Lenzner, Treasurer — Koch, Secretary—Historian — Chazal. Members appointed to the various committees will be announced in the April issue of *Assembly*.

At the time of this writing we find that: Don Hill is the Engineer Inspector General, East Ocean Division, Richmond, Virginia. John A. Stewart is still in the insurance and real estate business in Los Altos, California. He reports that his son, John R., is now a 2nd Lt. in the Finance Dept. Herbert Benz is Commandant of Cadets, Bordentown Military Institute. His son, Teddy (13 years of age), is a Cadet at BMI and is doing well. Charlie Meehan is Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, G-4, Comptroller, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He sends news that

Earl Mattice, another Bull, is also stationed at Fort Leavenworth. Craig Alderman (retired) now owns a motor court between Natural Bridge and Roanoke, Virginia, and will always be glad to see any of the Herd who happen to be traveling through. George A. Millener is Director Weapons Dept., TIS, Fort Benning, Georgia. He reports that his son, 1st Lt. George, Jr., and his family, are also stationed there.

On October 20th, '52, Col. Thomas G. McCulloch was assigned to Fort Benjamin Harrison as Deputy Commander, FCUSA.

After three and one half years as US Air Attache in France, BG Monro MacCloskey is now Commanding General of Air Resupply and Communications Service, 3800 Newark St., N.W., Washington, D. C. Clyde Massey, who is now with QM, Third Army, Fort McPherson, Georgia, reports that his son, Clyde, Jr., is a "Goat" at West Point. Clyde reports other Bulls, also at Third Army, Fort McPherson, are: "Red" Mead, C of S; George O'Neil, Deputy QM; Steve Koszewski, Deputy G-4; and J. B. Wells, G-3 Training. Monk Mitchell is with Post QM, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Freddy Pyne is with the Sales Dept. of Aluminum Co. of America; he is acting President of the West Point Society of Michigan. Tad Tasker is Director and Owner of The Hudson-Severn School—home study courses for West Point and Annapolis entrance examinations. Dud Dudley, now at Fort Benning, Georgia, Communication Dept., Infantry School, reports that Jags Eyerly is the artillery expert on AFF Board No. 3; that Deacon Bailey is Inspector General, and that Art Bliss and Ralph Tibbetts are retired and living in Columbus, Georgia. Clyde Eddleman is Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, Dept. of Army. George Lightcap is retired and living in Manhattan, Kansas; and represents the United Service Life Insurance Co. at all military installations in Kansas. Noah Brinson (rtd) is vice-president of American President Lines and National vice president for Water Nat'l Defense Trans. Assc., as well as vice president of the Propellor Club of Wash., D. C.

Sam Smithers, now retired and living in Columbus, Georgia, is with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the US. On December 6, '52 his son, Charles, graduated from OCS at Fort Riley. Col. Charles G. Stevenson, State Judge Advocate, N.Y. National Guard, is the legal adviser to the Division of Military and Naval Affairs of the Executive Dept. of State; son, John, is a plebe, Class of '56. Eddie White, now Major General and CG, Army Air Force Exchange Service, N.Y., is a proud grandparent, son born to his daughter, Jeanne. Benny Leonards is now with G-3, XV Corps, Camp Polk, Louisiana. Al Foote is now Deputy for Tactical Operations, Hq. AF Missile Test Center. Jim McGraw is associated with Radioplane Co., which makes small radio controlled airplanes. News of Jim's family: James, Jr., is working for Delco Division of General Motors, and Michael is in the Ordnance Dept., stationed at Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N. M. Jim also reports he has a son, Edward, born July 4, 1950, and a daughter, Grace, born May 6, 1952. Bob Paton, packaging Engineer (R&D) Wright-Patterson AFB, says that he and Helen always have the latch-key out for itinerant Herdsmen who pass through Dayton, Ohio. Jim Stowell is Commanding General, Continental Division, MATS, Kelly AFB, Texas. Jim represented President Truman at the Inauguration of President Tubman of Liberia last January. Tommy Thompson is still practicing law in Jackson, Mississippi. Bruce Bidwell is Representative of the Chief of Military History, AC of S G-2, Pentagon, Washington, D. C. F. S. Pratt is Chief, Officer Personnel Records, Review Board, Office of Military Personnel, Hq. USAF, Pentagon, Washington, D. C. G. B. McConnell,

PMS&T, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, reports that his red-headed six year old daughter, Patricia, has entered the first grade of the Ames Public School. It is with regret that we learn that Dick Gibson classifies himself as a member of the "Bum Tickers" Society; he is in Fitzsimons Hospital and would enjoy a word or visit from classmates. Pickhardt is Senior Army Instructor, Arkansas NG. Tom Martin is Transportation Officer, Far East Command. Tom's family joined him in Tokyo in September '52. Joe Morris is Commanding Officer, Hq. 6418th Air Depot Wing, APO 954, c/o PM, San Francisco, California. Duke Arnold, still Commanding General, JAMMAT, Ankara, Turkey, reports that he has a new granddaughter. Emerson Cummings (MG), Ass't Chief of Ordnance, reports that his son, Bill, is a yearling at West Point.

Joe Massaro, now Deputy Camp Commander, Camp Kobe, APO 317, tells us that his next assignment will be 4005 ASU, Station Complement, Fort Hood, Texas, and that his son, J. M. Massaro, is in the Class of '54 USMA. Sam Strohecker is still Manager, Seattle District Office, duPont Co. Explosives Sales, his latch-key is out to any classmates when they are in Seattle. Sam reports that Doc Decker recently returned from the Far East, and is G-4 at Fort Lewis, Washington. Tom Allen is Senior Instructor, Penna. National Guard, Indiantown Gap, Penna. His son, Tom Jr., will graduate from the Naval Academy next June. D. D. Martin is at Fort Meade and is CO, 35th AA Brig. Carroll R. Griffin, now living in Dunnes, Texas, is working as a chemical engineer. His son, Carroll Jr., 1st Lt. USAF, is stationed at George AFB, Victorville, California, as a jet instructor pilot. Bob Harper, Commanding General Air Training Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, reports that his daughter Jo has entered the University of New Mexico. Bob and Peg, with the Pete Shumates and the R. Deck Reynolds, attended a West Point clan gathering in the St. Louis area. A. D. Dugan, now PMS&T, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, reports that his son, Daniel C., is in the Class of '55 USMA. Clarence Rothgeb, now Chief, New Mexico Military District, also commands all ORC in N. M. and supervises NG and ROTC; daughter, Georgia, is in the USN.

Rossy de la Rosa, Exec. O., San Antonio General Depot, USA, has received PCS orders for Europe, departing in January '53. Rossy reports that another Bull, Dan Healy, Jr., just back from Korea is taking his place December 1. Charlie Palmer is G-3 OCAFF, Fort Monroe, Virginia. Charlie reports that BG Sam Conley works in the same office, and that Vernon Stevens recently left G-3 for the Middle East. Charles W. Van Way is with Industrial College of the Armed Forces as Chief of the Manpower Branch. Zero Wilson, still PMS&T New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N. M. says that his youngest son, Joe, will graduate from West Point in '53. Gil Miller is PMS&T, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Det. 1, 5106th ASU—ROTC. Gil's son, Jerry, stationed in EUCOM with 43rd Div., was promoted to 1st Lt. in November. Jim Willis, now a BG, left R&D Div. G-4 in June, and is now on duty in OC Sig. O.. Jim's son, Stewart, has an appointment to West Point for '53. Pat Pasolli is Chief of Staff, Army Security Agency. Frank Kidwell is Army Signal Officer, First Army, Governors Island, New York. Frank sends news that Cy Caywood is Army Provost Marshal and that George Vaughn is Army Ordnance Officer.

R. L. Miller, Senior Army Instructor, Montana NG, is living in Helena, any of the Herd passing through are most welcome. Bob's son, R. L. Jr., USMA '50, is now in EUCOM with the 74th Armd FA Bn. Walt

Weinaug is Petroleum Officer, Hq. Caribbean Command. Walt will return to the US in May '53. Harry Van Wyk is Deputy Port Commander and Chief of Staff, SFPE, Fort Mason, California. T. E. Gillette is Senior Army Instructor, 36th Inf. Div., Texas NG. Wampus Limpus is still Chief, UN Bureau, *Daily News*, N.Y.C. Cary J. King, Jr. is in Washington as Assistant Chief Signal Officer for Research and Development.

Charles E. Hart (MG) is Chief, Joint US Military Aid Group for Greece. Charlie's first grandchild was born July 20th, 1952. Vonna Burger is Chief of Staff, Allied Military Government, British-US Zone, Free Territory of Trieste. Earl L. Scott now with the Medical Holding Detachment, US Army Hospital, Fort Benning, Georgia, reports that Earl L. Jr. graduated from LSU in '51 and is now attending the Army Language School—Russian language course—and that his daughter, Helen, who graduated from University of Chattanooga in 1952, is with TVA. Andy Gamble is Deputy Commander, G-3, Oregon Military District, Vancouver, Washington. Sarratt T. Hames is with the I.G. Sec., Hq. 4th Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; another Bull, Clarence K. Darling, was assigned to the I.G. Sec. in September '52. Gus Regnier, Commanding Officer, 6100 ASU, Camp Roberts, California, reports that his eldest son, Richard, is at West Point, Class of '55. George Steel is PMS&T, University of California, at Berkeley, California. O. P. Bragan is now at Fort Lewis, Washington, as DPC. Al Dombrowsky, who was retired in January '44 for physical disability, reports that his oldest son, Albert, Jr., graduated from USMA in June '52 and is about to depart for EUCOM. J. D. Scott, after two years as Inspector General, I Corps, Korea, reports that he will be glad to return to the good old USA.

Sandy Goodman is now Exec. G-4, Hq. Sixth Army. Bill Elward is associated with Ray Andrews, Realtor, in Mesa, Arizona. George D. Crosby, Artillery Officer, XVI Corps, APO 14, c/o PM San Francisco, California (Sendai, Honshu) is due home in June '53. Bill Sexton is Chief of Staff, 6th Army, and Martin Hass is Chief of Staff, Caribbean Command, at Quarry Heights, Canal Zone. Ernie Merkle, PMS&T, Fordham University, and enjoying his work, sends his best to all the Herd. Marcus Stokes (BG), Assistant for Planning Coordination, Office Deputy C/S for Plans and Research, will leave in January for an assignment in Germany. Robbie Robins, now Chief Combat & General Purpose Vehicles, R&D, CAFF, reports that his blond daughter has made him a grandparent, that his brunette daughter expects to do the same in the near future, and that if he doesn't miss his guess, his red-headed daughter will soon be engaged. Peyton MacLamb is still with the National City Bank of NY. Joe Burrill is now Commandant, Field Arty. Officer Candidate School, at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Bill Bender is a patent lawyer with the Sun Oil Co., in Philadelphia, Penna. L. W. Adams, OCAFF, at Navy Special Devices Center, Port Washington, N. Y., reports that his son Richard E. is at West Point, Class of '56. Ben Mesick is CO, Watertown Arsenal, Watertown, Massachusetts, having direct responsibility for successful production of atomic artillery. Dan Hundley is Comptroller, TIC, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Al Jennings is Deputy G-3, Hq. First Army, Governors Island, N. Y. Al's son, Allen, Class of '50, has just returned from USA-REU and is now stationed at Camp Kilmer. Dave Erskine is Deputy Chief, CI Corps, Fort Holabird, Baltimore, Maryland. Dave has a three year old son, David, Jr., born in Germany. Pete Davis is with Monroe Ford Co. at Silver Spring, Maryland. Sam Fisher, Deputy Commander, ASA

Training Center, reports that his son, Sam, Jr., will graduate this June from the Academy. Dinty Moore (J.G.) retired in 1947, is now Assistant Treasurer and Secretary Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Mo. Bill Schaefer is Chief, Training Div. G-3, Hq. Second Army, Fort Meade, Maryland. Bill has twin grandchildren. Philip Garges, who is District Engineer, C of E, at Buffalo, New York, reports that his son, Dan, is a Midshipman 4th class, USNA. Richard G. Thomas, Jr. is retired and living in Clearwater, Florida. Herb Vogel, who is Division Engineer, Southwestern Division, Corps of Engineers, reports that his oldest son graduated from West Point, Class of '52, and is now stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. Bill Forbes, Deputy for the Comptroller, Hq. 14th AF, Robins AFB, Georgia, says his son, Bill, Jr., has been accepted for Aviation Cadet Training. L. H. Rodieck, Deputy Air Force Representative, United Nations Military Staff Committee, reports that he is Military Adviser to Ambassador Warren R. Austin, Chief of the US Mission to the United Nations. Jim Hulley is retired and at present is a student at George Washington University. Logan C. Berry is Army Attache, Mexico City, Mexico. Dave Page is in Washington, D. C. at the present time, as representative for the Pack Medical Foundation of N. Y. E. O. Lee, who just returned from 3 years in EUCOM, is CO FOUSA, Fort Monroe, Virginia. R. F. Smith reports that his son, John Dexter, graduated from West Point, Class '52, and is now stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. Rich Richardson, Commanding General, Air Force Missile Test Center, Patrick AFB, Florida, reports that his son, Bud (USMA '51) just completed advanced jet fighter training.

BG Jack Kirkendall is Deputy Commanding General, 3380 Technical Training Wing, Keesler AFB, Biloxi, Miss. Pete Shunk, Director, Dept. of Electronics, Fort Bliss, Texas, reports that his son, William, 2nd Lt. USA, is also stationed at Fort Bliss.

We are happy to receive news from some of the wives: Mrs. George A. Bicher is living in Washington, D. C. and is doing a fine job with the Gold Star Wives Service Foundation. Her son, George A. Bicher, Jr., (Class of '51 USMA) is in Korea with an Engineer Combat Battalion. Mrs. O. M. Barton is now living at 1750 Quebec, Denver, Colorado, and would be indeed happy to receive a call from any of our class. Mrs. Demas T. Crow is living in Charlottesville, Virginia, and is very active, heading the Red Cross Blood Program as well as the League of Women Voters and other civic interests. Pictoria says that young Nick (sixteen), after two years in Switzerland, is now in his fourth year at St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H., and he expects to enter West Point in '55. Mary Baughman, living in Washington, D. C., reports that her older son, Dick, is a Second Classman at West Point, and that her younger son, Don, is at Sully's. Mrs. Leo H. Towers, who is living in Tulsa, Oklahoma, has resumed her University work, obtained a Master's degree in Psychology, and is teaching the first grade in Tulsa Public Schools. Daughter Margaret received a BA from Oklahoma University and is married to Lt. Harvey C. Carpenter. Dorothy Ford is working at Walter Reed, living in Silver Spring, Md. and is always glad to see her old friends. Kitte Ladue reports that her daughter, Carolyn, is in the Charleston office of Congressman L. Wendel Reeves, and that Larry Jr. is in a West Point prep school. Kitte will love to see any of the Class of '24 who visit Charleston, S. C.

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Edward O. McConahay of 27 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, New York, Assistant Vice President of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. After graduation from

the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1924, he entered the construction business as an engineer with the Public Service Corporation of New Jersey. In 1927 he became associated with Starrett Bros. & Elken, builders, rising to superintendent and chief engineer. He joined the Metropolitan in 1933 and became manager of the company's home office buildings in 1936. In 1942 he entered the Service as a Major in the Army. He served almost the entire period of World War II as an officer in the Budget Division of the War Dept. General Staff. After his discharge with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 1945, he returned to the Metropolitan and the next year was named Assistant Vice President. Mr. McConahay was recalled to active duty in September 1950, shortly after the outbreak of fighting in Korea, and remained in the Service until last January.

Again thanks to our reporters around the world who take the time to make this column possible.

—C. S. Raymond.

1925

Misfortune struck twice since the last issue of *Assembly*. Early in October Art Peterson and his wife Hilda were killed in an automobile accident in California while en route to the Army-USC game. Two sons survive; Arthur who was hurt in the accident, and Paul, a marine. They can be reached through their old address: 1105 Hillview Drive, Menlo Park, Calif. Art had retired after 27 years' service and was doing well in the real estate business. Johnson, E. L., and Neprud, the only classmates in the area, attended the funeral. At the end of November Branner Purdue succumbed after several months of pain which only a fighting heart like Branner's could endure. Services were held at Walter Reed Hospital Chapel on December 1; some twenty classmates in the area attending. Branner was buried here at West Point on December 2. Nicholas, Alspach and I attended as did Soap Suttles, who acted as escort from Washington. Carolyn and daughter can be reached at their home: 222 Granville Drive, Silver Springs, Md. Bill, Jr. is a Second Classman here at USMA.

Some notes gleaned from reading the Service Journals: George Berilla was retired for physical disability on October 18. On the list awaiting promotion to permanent BG are: Harrold, Willems, Gillmore, Cleland and Pelpoe.

In the last issue we tried to list those cadets at USMA who are sons of 1925. This may sound like a simple project, but with over 2,400 cadets in the Corps and 650-750 in each new Plebe class, coupled with the fact that no records with such information are published, it is a major chore of research with absolute accuracy questionable. Our biggest problem is locating those who enter as sons of deceased veterans. There is absolutely no way of finding out here unless each cadet is asked individually, which is impracticable because of numbers and the general difficulty of contacting Plebes. We raise this matter to ask that if you have or know of a son entering you will notify us or tell the youngster to get in touch with us. One omission from the list we published has already been made known to us. John C. Bennett, son of our John H. Bennett, is a member of the Class of 1954. Johnnie was killed on a Jap prison ship on December 15, 1944. Frances Bennett is now living in Columbia, S. C.

The following notes are taken from the poop sheets put out by the Washington contingent after each monthly luncheon. The September meeting featured the elec-

tion of officers for the ensuing year. Elections were held under the one party system where the first name suggested closed the voting. Hopkins was elected President, Daddy Dunn Secretary, Director of Luncheon Van Brunt, PIO Holmes. Champlain (being absent) was unanimously elected Treasurer. Transients seen in Washington during September — Robertson (address Room 1018 Merchandise Mart, Chicago); Leb. Woods (Wright-Paterson Field, Dayton, Ohio); Axel Dobak, address unknown. Freddie Powell is in Washington again (2440 16th St., N.W.); just returned from the Philippines. Miller has left for a detail in Paris. Others passing through in September: Bolduc (Penn State) and Pepper Clay (Fort Sill). The Washington group is working valiantly on a class address roster which when published will be a help to us all.

In October the group held both the regular luncheon and a Class party at the Officers Club, Naval Gun Factory. Evidently the luncheon was devoted to soul searching for the after action report states; "One problem we all must consider is that of the ever-increasing waistline, which is becoming a trifle prominent among us hardy desk soldiers. Looks like we'd better start making both individual and collective efforts in pushing away from the table." As a visitor to Washington I concur in the conclusion of the group except that "a trifle" should be changed to "quite" Those attending the dinner party were the following (with wives): Barnes, Bryte, Cabell, Chamberlain, Dunn, Geraghty, Holmes, Hopkins, McCormick, Pheris, Powell, Roberts, Spillinger, Suttles, Underwood, Van Brunt, Whitted. Florence Cleland attended solo; Joe leading a division in Korea.

Crombez has been located with the Oregon National Guard (PO Box 3436, Portland 8, Ore.). Bill Ritchie back in Washington after a long summer away. Mutt Crandall seen at the Army-Navy game charting the game as usual and a long way from his base in Hawaii.

A letter from Johnny, E. L., Deputy C/S, Sixth Army, Presidio reports he and Ollie Neprud there anxious to extend hospitality to any going or coming from FECOM or visiting in the area. Johnny reports a visit from Peplow, who is Asst Div CG, 44th Div. at Camp Cooke.

Jack Chamberlain the only visitor here at USMA since the last issue. Ernie Holmes forwarded the following, written by Jack after a recent seven weeks trip to the Far East: "I spent a night with Joe Cleland at his new division. He had only recently taken over and was enjoying himself hugely. Looked fine and tough as nails. He had only one star then but has since gotten his second. Ran into Oxrieder, who is on a corps staff. Also saw Benny Bennett, now a corps artillery exec. Benny was comfortably installed in a plush trailer on a Korean hillside with a beautiful view from his front door."

—V. J. E.

1926

Chuck Canham, whose military progress has filled us with awe, is now a permanent major general. The way he is going, we would like to send a warning to General Ridgway to move aside. Incidentally, latest news, which has been gleaned from the *Journal*, is that Chuck has been transferred from his job as CG of the 82d Airborne at Bragg to duty as Deputy CG of the Third Army at Fort McPherson.

Another star on the Class scene, is Ludy Toftoy, who has recently been promoted to brigadier general. A hand clasp and pat

on the back from the Class, Ludy. We are proud of you. According to our records, Ludy is Deputy Commander at Redstone Arsenal in Alabama.

Pinky Burns, who commands the Chemical Corps Training Command at Ft. McClellan, Alabama, got into the news last month on the occasion of the ground breaking ceremony for a big construction project. Pinky made the welcoming address to the assembled guests, who included a member of Congress and a sprinkling of military stars. The project, which consists of 25 buildings and an outlay of 15 million dollars, is scheduled to become the center of Chemical Corps training activities, a year or two hence.

Recent orders, which have been noted in the *Journal*, will move Fats Walker from Washington to Second Army Headquarters at Fort Meade. Van Syckle is also leaving Washington to move to EUCOM for assignment at Bremerhaven. Bill Ennis departs from Fort Bliss for a job on the staff of the Chief, Army Field Forces, at Fort Monroe.

Word has reached us of the death of Bob Des Islets' mother, last October, at Columbus, Ohio. This is the second severe blow for Bob in a relatively short time, and our deep sympathies are extended to him. We also learned of the death of Brooks Pittman in Atlanta, Georgia, last summer. Brooks will be remembered by many, as a member of the Class during our first hectic six months. He left us after Plebe Christmas and finished his education at NYU and at Mercer University. At the time of his death, he was assistant professor of science at West Georgia College.

Very few classmates take the trouble to write in about events of interest to the Class, so reliance must be placed on official news and on occasional encounters with stray classmates either at the Point or in some football stadium. On such an occasion, we ran across Leon Johnson at Michie Stadium. He was making his first visit to the Academy in many years, although he lives not so far away, at Mitchel Field. Leon was looking fit and prosperous, and apparently enjoyed the event. Under similar circumstances, we bumped into Red Corderman at Franklin Field at the time of the rain-soaked game with Penn. Red seemed to survive the heart-stopping climax in good shape. On still another football weekend, Nellie and Lucile Nelson were hosts at their delightful Stewart Field mansion to a group which included the following classmates: Mildred and Admiral Sims, Nelle and Jimmy Burwell, Adelaide and Boone Gross, and Evelyn and Vald Heiberg.

Ben Thurston and family showed up at West Point one beautiful Saturday morning during October and gave the old campus a once over. Betty Gay said she would like to come back to the Point, but Ben is far happier at their farm down east in Maine. It was good to see that Ben had lost neither his Lincolnesque appearance nor his mischievous twinkle.

Of the news about the small fry, a recent flash on young Johnny Roosma warrants top billing. He is an Air Cadet in Texas, and the following report on him is quoted: "Johnny had quite an experience while flying at 5,000 feet. His plane caught fire and he had to make a quick decision whether to bail out or take some other action. He decided to try to save the plane, and put it into a dive from 5,000 to 3,000 feet. As luck would have it, the flames were extinguished and he only suffered a few superficial burns on his face and hands. He received some very nice commendations from his superior officers. Johnny was not perturbed about the burns, but he was happy that he had saved a \$20,000 plane." May we add our commendations for this bit of quick thinking, good coordination, and intestinal fortitude. It is quite reminiscent

of the old man, who is quietly but justifiably proud way over in Germany.

Other small fry information includes the announcement of the marriage of Anne de Shazo to Mr. Thomas E. Robertson of Los Angeles and Tucson. The wedding took place in Washington, D. C. on the fourth of October. A less glamorous event involving a Class offspring took place in our rock-bound Highland home, during the fall intramural golf championship. Third place went to young Pete Conzelman, who was only two strokes behind the winner. Pete is a First Classman and is boning his graduation a few months hence, when he will have the opportunity of swinging his irons on other courses, which may not be greener, but will certainly be less rugged.

May we please append a commercial at the end of this column. A postcard or letter would be greatly appreciated from anyone who would like to report interesting news of himself or a classmate. Your help is needed to insure representative coverage of Class deeds.

—E. R. H.

1927

At a recent meeting there were elected as your Class representatives: Gar Davidson as the Class President, Woody Hocker as Vice-President and Buzz Butler as Secretary-Treasurer. These officers will act as the Class Executive Committee and wish your support in furnishing items of news. This column could be more newsworthy if you from distant points will furnish news items of interest. Gar's address is 3708 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C., Woody may be reached at 605 North Jackson Street, Arlington, Virginia, and Buzz can be contacted at 4906 Yorktown Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia.

The Class extends congratulations to our recent promotions—Gar Davidson to Major General, Blair Garland to Major General, Lee Washbourne to Major General, Woody Burgess to Brigadier General and Willis Matthews to Brigadier General.

Just heard that Jim Smyly is in Japan and that his wife, Mazie, left recently to join him. Lee Washbourne is in Europe and Annette has left the Washington area to visit in Texas.

Harry Paxson, after his departure from the National War College instead of ending up at Fort Leonard Wood, is now down in the Panama Canal Zone where he is the Honorable Lieutenant Governor.

Recent visitors to the Pentagon for a gathering of G-2's were Johnny Kaylor from the Fourth Army at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Henry Zeller from the Third Army, Fort McPherson, Georgia and Harold Isaacson from the Sixth Army, Presidio of San Francisco, California.

An unexpected visitor came to Washington last week—our soldier of fortune, Wink Ehr Gott, who, evidently, is still looking for more excitement.

As this is written, members of the Class in the Washington area are planning to get together on the 13th of December at a dinner-dance at the Army-Navy Country Club. We expect to have joining us the Mone Asensios, Paul Berrigans, Buzz Butlers, Bill Chamberlains, Jim Collins', Gar Davidsons, George Derbys, Parmer Edwards', Blair Garlands, Jack Griffiths, Jack Hines', Woody Hockers, Jack Kilgores, Larry Kuters, George Levings', Jerry Lillards, Willis Matthews', Dana McGowns, Bob Naylor, Mucker Quinns, Pat Pachynskis, Chubby Roths, Chuck Stones, Ken Thiebauds, Ted Weyhers, Ralph Zwickers, Wink Ehr Gotts, and the wives here of those who have gone overseas, including Carl Greybeal, Hak

Kurstedt, Olie Kyster, John Lovell, Mac Miller, George Martin, Bill Verbeck and Tom Watlington.

George Derby is a student at the Industrial College at Fort McNair, Washington, D. C., and Parmer Edwards is an instructor at the National War College, Fort McNair. Hak Kurstedt, after having graduated from the Industrial College, is now in Japan.

For you who have the opportunity to visit the Pentagon, please notify Buzz Butler for arrangements for luncheon on Thursdays from 11:30 A.M. in the Executive Dining Room, Third Floor of the Pentagon.

—Lawton Butler.

1928

Will start our column this time with the Washington news, which arrived too late to make the last issue.

Red Moore, Reedy Smyser, Tom Nelson and Dutch Holley are students at the Industrial College. Tommy Lane, Skipper Seeman, and Bill Henning are attending the National War College. Bryant Boatner has taken over the job of I.G. in the Air Force, and Skippy Harbard reported in from Sampson Air Force Base and is now Director of Training in the Air Force. Zip Koon is Executive Officer to Roger Ramey and Johnny Morrow is one of the Deputies to John Samford, who is Director of Intelligence in the Air Force.

Bill Browning and brother Bob visited Alaska in the summer and stayed with Mildred and Grinny Grinstead, who treated them royally. Grinny is Transportation Officer of USARL. At Ladd Air Force Base just out of Fairbanks they ran into Don Smith who is a B.G. Commanding that base. They visited with Don and his wife in their quarters and lifted a few with them.

Joe Potter was assigned as Deputy Commandant of the National War College but before actually getting his feet wet, he was assigned to the job of District Engineer of the Missouri River District. He has his star now.

Jim Totten left in September for Fontainebleau, France, where he is assigned to General Norstad's Headquarters. How about sending us a bit of news Jim?

Billingsley attended the Army School Commandants' Conference at Fort Monroe in November and saw the following '28ers: Verdi Barnes—Dep. Commandant of the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks; Frank Goodell—Artillery School, Fort Sill, Okla.; Tom Cody—Signal School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey; and Carl Sturies—Southwest Signal School, San Luis Obispo, Calif. The following, stationed at Headquarters, Army Field Forces, were there: Eph McLemore—G4 Section; Buck Wiley—Information Officer and Bob Fleming—Engineer Officer.

"Wee" Todd, Commanding General of the Western Air Defense Force, with Headquarters at Hamilton Air Force Base, has been named one of California's "Top Performers of 1952" by *Fortnight Magazine*.

Now for the late news of the Washington area: George Mundy now a Major General, has been ordered to Washington to be Director of Supply and Services and the Deputy Chief of Staff, Material, Headquarters, USAF. Jack Gilchrist was recently assigned to Washington from the Denver Finance Center which he commanded. He now has his second star and is Director of Finance, Headquarters, USAF. Tommy Wells is an instructor at the National War College. Dave Heiman is a newcomer in the area, assigned to the Office of Cataloging, Munitions Board. Fred Maxwell, B.G. is a member of the Research and Development Board.

On the 5th of October a mixed cocktail party and buffet supper was held at the Fort Lesley J. McNair Officers' Club and attended by approximately sixty classmates and wives. Reports say it was a big success and everyone seemed to have a good time. Among those present: Bertha and Bryant Boatner, Bess and Bob Browning, Jean and Bill Browning, Ruth and Ralph Butchers, Mary and Bob Butler, Kay and Garry Coverdale, Anne and Paul Gavan, Mabel and Jack Gilchrist, Nancy and Jim Green, Steve and Skippy Harbold, Nih and Dave Heiman, Minn and Jack Hinrichs, Connie and Dutch Holley, Pidge and Mac McNamara, Mary and Red Moore, Jean and Johnny Morrow, Chris and Tommy Nelson, Margaret and Jack Oakes, Latane and Roger Ramey, Ruth and Walter Simon, Kitty and Ned Sirmyer, Toni and Rudy Smyser, Mabel and Merce Walter, Jo and Hes Wyman, Tom Wells, Roger Goldsmith, Billy Daley, Peg Murtha, Dinny Somerville, Doris Olds.

On October 10th Bill and Jean Browning's oldest son William Webb, Jr. was married in Dallas, Texas.

As a wind up for the season a Christmas card arrived today from Bob Howard in the Far East. He expects to be in New York after March. Anita is living in Alexandria now.

Time to close up for '52 and remember to plan for the 25th in '53.

—P. D. C.

1929

There were some 80 odd applications for tickets for the Class of 1929 for the Navy game. Each application averaged four personal use which means that the block of 1929 in the stands numbered approximately 320 persons. The weekend prior to the game Warren McDermid and family dropped by West Point for the weekend from California. He is with Sears Roebuck in Los Angeles and lives in San Marino, California. The only classmate that I personally saw at the game was Billy Greear. He and Helen were sitting on about the 16th row, close to the 25 yardline marker. Incidentally, our class block at this game averaged 25 yardline, some a little over and some a little under. Sorry I wasn't able to catch sight of more of the class but found myself pretty busy around and underneath the stadium. * * * * Glenn Williamson is the President of the Kellett Aircraft Corporation, Camden, New Jersey. His company gave a buffet supper following the game in the Mirage Room at the Barclay Hotel. I was sorry that I was unable to get by and say hello to him. * * * * I made a mistake on Bill Bullock's boy in the last *Assembly* notes. When I say I, I mean the Registrar. It was not Bill Bullock's son listed, but a Bullock in the class of 1928. * * * * Bill McCulla called one Sunday while here to see his boy. He is now stationed at Wright Field. * * * * A short note from Sonny Wetzel states that in addition to having two sons in the Corps, Pinky also has a nephew in the class of 1956. * * * * Bozo McKee went home on leave and fell off a pony, breaking several ribs and dislocating a shoulder. * * * * Recently made B.G.'s in the class are Hunt Bassett and Torque DuBose. Hunt is Deputy Commander, USAF Security Service, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas, and Torque, as previously reported, heads the Worldwide Air Rescue Service. * * * * Tom McDonald recently received his second star and is Assistant for Material Program Control in Washington. * * * * A letter was received from Zip Millett last September in which he states he was waiting for Rabbit McClellan to show up in Beirut for his rest period. He stated

that Hugh Stevenson was in the process of reducing the number of sand grouse, partridges, ducks and gazelles in Syria. Zip is organizing a class get-together in that part of the world in the near future. * * * * Saw Weary Wilson in Atlanta prior to the Georgia Tech game. He is now heading a regional division for the Corps of Engineers in the Indian River project. * * * * Was in Washington not so long ago and passed by the G-3 Division, where Paul Harkins and Tiny Jark have sections. Paul has Planning and Tiny Training. George Coolidge working for Paul and Harding, J. G. for Tiny. * * * * 45 turned out for a class buffet in Washington on Sunday, 23 November. Both husbands and wives were present. * * * * The following members of the class are stationed in Washington. Their precise addresses can be obtained from Jim Harding, G-3 Division, Department of the Army, Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C. Space does not permit listing their addresses. They are as follows: Bell, Bork, Buchanan, Carns, Chaffee, Chandler, Coolidge, Dent, Easley, Fagg, Ghormley, Graul, Greear, Griffith, Hamlin, Harding, Harkins, Hattan, Hayden, Heidland, Hill, Horner, Hughes, Jark, Jones, Kearney, Keirn, Kutz, Ladd, McCartney, McDonald, McKee, McNERney, Nesbitt, Nichols, Pierce, Perkins, Poorman, Quill, Ranck, Rau, Reilly, Rindlaub, Robey, Roth, Samuels, Seward, Silver, Snyder, Sommers, Stone, Strader, Stubbs, Sundt, Sykes, Taylor, Talbot, Thompson, Wetzel, Wimer, Wright, Cook, Crandell, Lasher, Miller, Ostrand, Poinier, Seitz, Wilson, Winn, Galloway, Elias, Kirkpatrick, Lindsey, Maulsby, Ofstun, Strauss, Wentworth and Vanderheide. * * * * Would appreciate any news from anywhere. Happy New Year. Good Luck.

—P. H. Draper, Jr.

1930

Your new scribe isn't exactly distinguishing himself at the outset by the promptitude with which he gets out his first class memo. As we take our pen tardily in hand we can only report that it isn't because of lack of help from all of you, near and far, that the news is late. You've all been more than helpful and many thanks for your letters.

It's hard to know where to start, so much water has gone over the dam since Sandy Stone took himself off to the academic calm of Carlisle. We see him now and then—he commutes to Washington week ends—and he reports that there is a small but academically brilliant core of 1930 there to lend tone and dignity to the place. Al Watson and Tom Stoughton are on the faculty, which takes care of that; Charlie Olin, Phil Wehle and Sandy Stone (of course) are on the receiving end of the instruction. Charlie Olin reports that he has been writing for years to one of our former members, Emmet Porter, who now lives at 835 South Prospect St., Park Ridge, Illinois.

Early this fall the Washington contingent of 1930 had a luncheon, and a most amazingly well preserved bunch of old boulevardiers turned out from odd corners of the Pentagon and other hiding places. Pete King had some money in the kitty from former luncheons, so the drinks were set up free. When word of this got around, there was no stopping us—the attendance was bound to break records. We counted 34 noses in varying states of preservation, as follows: Sea Food Garton, Charlie Dodge, Jimmy Curtis, Pete King, Fred Duehring, Mandy Mandelbaum, Johnny Hayden, Fritz Urhane, Jack Dudley, Bill Harris, Johnny Greco, your scribe, Fuddy Wing, Chris Clarke, Ed Sachs, Stew Crawford, Paul

Roy, Roy Bartlett, Bill Taylor, Max Janairo, Mort Townes, Harry Boyd, Red Carter, Thad Broom, Maggie Weber, Bill Allen, Myron Quinto, Bill Richardson, Sid Wooten, Cisco Kilborn, Jimmy Wilson, Ray Brisach, Art Fuller, and Chuck Heitman. We had a good get-together and resolved to have a class dinner dance in Washington sometime after the New Year. It was further decided, after a furtive whispering campaign of the most underhanded description, that your Washington scribe would also be held responsible for the class column in *Assembly*. While I was not asked my view on the matter and I deplore the public flaunting of due process and democratic procedure, I will attempt to keep *Assembly* up-to-date on 1930.

I know I speak for us all when I say how saddened we were to hear of the tragic death of Aubrey Smith. Mark Smith and Jac Rothschild very thoughtfully took care of a memorial service in Tokyo, to which they, Ham Hamlett, Carl Hutton, Al Dennis, Jimmy James, and a host of other friends turned out. Aubrey was buried in Arlington with full military honors. His mother and brother, and his father-in-law, General Walter Krueger, besides a goodly showing of classmates, were at the funeral. Smitty's two children are with General and Mrs. Krueger for the time being. The class sent a wreath to the funeral, for which General Krueger asked me to thank all of you.

Paul Clark very kindly called us up while he was in Washington last fall. He and Gerry Mason are in Hawaii and feeling no pain.

There has been a great falling of stars upon 1930 of late. In addition to those noted in the last blast, the following have our sincerest congratulations: Paul Ruestow and Dave Baker to M.G.; Bob Booth, Louie Heath and Bob Porter, one star each. Bob Porter got ordered to Korea, brought Margaret and the children home, got them settled in Norfolk, became a father again, got promoted, and was in combat; all in the space of a month, which is not only a tribute to his staff work, but shows what proper timing in everything can do.

Random Notes: Did you see Jac Rothschild's article on the Chemical Service in the *A-N Journal*? New motto "We may have lost the 4.2 mortar, but we still have our gas." Fuddy Wing is in Washington in the Troop Information Program. Jack Macfarland is also here, wearing a cloak and false whiskers in CIA. Fritz Weber stopped through on a trip back from JUSMAGPHIL. Fritz has finally given up as an Olympic Pentathlon competitor; this last time he just coached. Iron man. Jasper Riley has hung out his shingle, after retiring, and is now an optometrist, present address 434 South Reese St., Memphis 11, Tenn. Sam Emery has retired again, has a new job with Civil Defense, but will be back practicing law soon, and a new address 1232 N. Taylor, Arlington, Va. Phil Smith, according to Air Force Orders, now has one of the most imposing titles in the Class, which, because of space limitations I will abbreviate: Dir. Def. Pdn. Div., Off. Sp. Rep. Europe, Paris, France. I wish I had his APO number. Beau Beauchamp is frequently seen with furrowed brow and serious mien about G-2, Ned Moore, ditto about G-1, and Johnny Hayden in G-3. Charley Eastburn is Exec. Off. Berlin Post, and invites us all to visit him (one at a time) because he is well organized for visiting firemen (as you can imagine). Slats Schlatter has changed jobs and location and is now at Hqs AFTRC, Scott AFB, Ill. Wiley Ganey was through Washington not long ago, he's now CG 802nd Air Div, at Smoky Hill AFB, Salina, Kans. Alva Fitch after a few years of servitude in the Pentagon is now Arty Exec of a Corps in Korea. Millard Lewis, is now J-2 of US CINCEUR and

according to reports, is monarch of all he surveys. Rumor hath it that one of our spang new generals, Ham Howze, was captured, under conditions most humiliating, on maneuvers in Germany recently. However, to show you how quickly Ham whips an outfit into shape and how quickly his juniors "get the word", his organization recaptured him in half an hour. Ham recently had a picture in the magazine *Armor*. Most handsome, but most stern. Woe to his future captors. Woe to Ham's outfit in the event of another capture.

Bob Wood, who is now C.G. of an AAA Brigade near Philadelphia, was in town recently and dropped in to see us. Claims the rumor that he plans to fill Gen. Harry Vaughan's shoes is without foundation in fact. Johnny Greco was peacefully pushing a pen in the JCS when on one day's notice he was ordered to the N.W.C. It's even more peaceful there, isn't it, Johnny?

We're really getting up into the old fud class now since I noticed that the Army is starting in on 1930 for permanent promotion to Colonel. First of the old fuds: Carter, Whipple, Kromer, Kump. I notice the Army is persisting in its obnoxious custom of promoting by class standing, which puts us well down the list; a thing but little considered when we were day-dreaming through differential equations twenty-five years ago. Barksdale Hamlett is coming back from Korea to OCSA in the Pentagon. Charley Eastburn has a son in the Plebe Class and has come up with a good idea, to wit, the class sons of 1930 ought to know each other, and to that end suggests that those of you who have sons there now write to your scribe at the address given below so that we can get the ball rolling.

We saw Joe and Julia Haskell at the V.M.I. game at West Point; both looking in the pink.

Fred Castle's father has sent us pictures of the dedication of Fred's portrait at West Point. The portrait hangs in the hall of the East Academic Building and is a fine likeness of a very heroic airman.

The Wrights all (5 of them) are fine and want you to know the latch string is out if you're in Washington. Thanks for your newsy and welcome letters.

—Col. W. H. S. Wright,
Office, Joint Chiefs of Staff,
Washington 25, D. C.

1931

The death of Bill Isbell and the passing of Bea Waters are two notes of sadness in this issue of these notes.

Bill Isbell, as most of you have probably heard by now, died a hero's death in Korea trying to salvage a badly shot-up outfit. Our deepest sympathy goes to those who remain behind to carry on.

Bea Waters passed away suddenly on 23 October at her home in Highland Falls, while Johnny was in Korea. Johnny was able to return to the States but is due back in Korea shortly. We all extend to Johnny our sincere sympathy.

A note from Jim Pumpelly from Fort Monroe, Virginia, informs us that a group of "31ers" dined together at the Club. Those attending were John and Frankie Inskeep, Mike (Monkey Business) and Helen Irvine, Leo and Clara Belle Cather, Ted and Sue Decker, "Big Swede" Carlson, Gordon Singles and of course, Jim and Marge Pumpelly.

Prolific Paul Burns announces (along with Irene) the marriage of their daughter Barbara Susan to Chaptain Charles Hayward. The marriage took place on Saturday, the 8th of November, in Manila.

Ernie Easterbrook is in Washington in the Pentagon on the Joint Chiefs of Staff and acting as Secretary for the large group of "31ers" stationed in and around Washington. He informs us that some fifty members of the Class attended a get-together in Washington and presented Deacon Roller a silver cigarette box in appreciation for all that he has done in maintaining a fine pictorial history of the Class. The Class is well represented in the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and in the National War College, both as members of the faculty and as students. Those at ICAF include Adams, Bowman, Buck, Cave, Damberg, Del Campo, Carl Green, Hackett, Hickey, Mayo, McCrimmon, Rothrock and Schomburg; and those at NWC include Bonesteel, Magee, Tipton and Troxel.

Bob Lee took over from Charlie Hoy as president of the local chapter.

All of the Class in Washington, D. C. flew in for Bea Waters' funeral.

Pete Schmick and wife were in attendance at football games at the Point this Fall. Pete is stationed at Middletown, New York, assisting to defend this area from whatever may befall us.

Patsy Hunter is now teaching in Virginia just outside of Washington.

Danny Spangler passed through the Point recently. He is stationed at Hancock.

The following is the complete list of children of the Class now completing their first semester of academics as Fourth Classmen: Danek, Hunter, Lash, Little, Quackenbush, Ragland, Schulz (Cooper's step-son), Skidmore and Saint.

Keep the information rolling so we can report activities scattered over the four corners of the earth. Everybody wishes everybody else a very "Happy New Year".

—Dickson.

1933

The editor's most consistent correspondent, Dick Montgomery, has been rewarded for his faithfulness. He is now a Brig. Gen. and serving as Chief of Staff of a Strategic Air Command, Omaha, Neb. He reports that Cowboy Elliott is stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB and has as one of his numerous duties the supervision of machine tool storage sites throughout the US. Gabe Disosway is now the CG of the Flying Training Air Force at Waco, Tex. Sammy Mundell is in Alaska probably tinkering around with the electronics of the Aurora Borealis. Tommy Moorman, recently made Brig. Gen., is Oscar Senter's deputy in the Air Weather Service at Andrews Field. When Rosy Grubbs isn't busy as the CG of the 38th Air Division at Hunter AFB, Savannah, Ga., with his two Bombardment Wings, he conducts a gigantic raffle for the purpose of providing better living conditions for his enlisted personnel. Dick King has long since departed Puerto Rico and is attending the National War College. Hal Maddux is straightening out the air base problems for the air staff and Hal Donnelly is a big wheel in Guided Missiles. Wally Thinnis is the security specialist in SAC Headquarters and released some restricted security information on October 1—a son.

Bob Arnette, well recovered from a heart operation at Walter Reed last spring, writes that he is now in the Installment Loan Department of the Alamo National Bank. All parents with children ready to attend college please note. He reports that Paul Walters has departed for EUCOM, and that their son, Jimmy, recently a polio patient at Brooke Army Hospital is now at home with Betty in San Antonio and getting along fine. Chet Dahlen is with the 4th Army Headquarters. Pinkey Webster, from

Mitchel Field, and Dick Park, from Camp Chaffee, have been recent visitors of Bob.

Milt Summerfelt flew down to West Point this fall to give a pre-game pep rally talk in the Mess Hall—he showed the pampered youths of today how to reach the far corners of the Mess Hall without a mike.

Clay Bridgewater's home state newspaper (Delaware) gave him a nice write-up, complete with picture upon the occasion of his taking command of the Third Armored Cavalry Regiment at Camp Pickett, Va.

Spike Douglas, down in Fort Kobbe, Canal Zone, decided to become a contributor to this column as well as a reader, he is a two-hat man commanding both the 33rd Inf Combat Team as well as the post. He reports that Pugh Pearson is now chief of the mission to Argentina, Adrian Hoebeke a member of the mission to Peru and that Tom O'Connor will join him with the impressive title of "Advisor to the Center Military Instructor, Center of Higher Studies of the Peruvian War College". Jane, Doug and four youngsters have hopes of making the 20th Reunion.

Johnny and Babs Scoville are due back from Thailand this spring. Johnny's duties as Chief of the Army Section of MAAG and Army Training Director have required lots of traveling around Southern Asia as well as an around-the-world trip to a conference in Washington.

The roster of classmates in the Washington area reads like a junior edition of the *Howitzer*. Schoolboys at the National War College are Ashworth, Bastion, Carroll, George Chapman, Edwards, Gibbs, Johnson, Patterson, Dick King. The Industrial College is putting up with Denton, Essman, Fairchild, Lane, Vansant, Totten and Tie-man.

Polk, Solomon, Pope, Smith, F. G. and Gee journeyed from Carlisle to the Columbia game and were joined by the local New Yorkers—Gretser, Porter, G. W. and Guiney. Bill Quinn and Guiney sat through the rain of the Penn game and that "Old Faithful", Bear Eylar, attended all the games—and where in the devil were you?

Vital statistics—a boy to the Boswells in October and a girl to the Bev Jones in December.

What follows is the sole responsibility of the irrepressible Hurly who sees all and knows all. A letter from Dave Gray to Hurly gives all the poop on classmates in Korea. Dave is in the G-3 section of Hq EUSAK, APO 301, PM, San Francisco. Before departing the States in August, he attended a refresher course at Benning, indulging in refreshments with Fuqua, Olson, Akers and Raff. The jump towers fascinated Dave so he forsook his leave and trout fishing to fly through the air with the greatest of ease for one of the most satisfying experiences of his life. Dave has gotten to see most of the classmates in the area namely Fuqua, G-1, I Corps; Lipscomb, G-3, I Corps; Akers, G-3, IX Corps; Plapp, G-3, X Corps; Stilwell, 23rd Inf 2nd Div; Degavre, G-1, X Corps; Pop Ridsen, C/S 7th Div; Olson, 24th Div; and Sellers, KMAV. Dick Meyer, Dan Hine and Eb Downing are with Hq EUSAK; Bailey, Cairns and Joe Crawford are with Hq FECOM.

Dick Meyer also wrote to Fling Fanny stating that Pop Ridsen did a terrific job as CO of the 17th Inf, picking up a Silver Star before swapping jobs with Roy Reynolds who had been C/S of the 7th Div. Roy is presently on leave in Washington awaiting reassignment. Lovey Meyer and the five young-uns are living near Alexandria for the duration.

For those of you who don't read the *Journal* a recent item stated that Bill Darby was honored by having a U.S. Army Camp at Leghorn, Italy, named Camp Darby.

A clipping, with picture, from a Detroit newspaper announces Pick Vidal as the new

CO of the 929th Reserve Training Wing at Selfridge AFB. He resides with wife and daughter at 16819 Crawford, Grosse Point, Mich.

Hurly was handed a hot potato when Bill Quinn departed Wash for a new job as Asst Div Commander at Camp Rucker, namely the class files. He served the potato at the class luncheon in October by appointing a nominating committee of Kaesser, Breit and Parker, who proposed a 1953 slate and slogan, "Time for a change", which resulted in the election of Fritz Hartel as Pres., Tom Moorman as 1st Veep; "Billy the tap dancer" Clarke as 2nd Veep and Washington Correspondent (OUSA, DA Pentagon); and Red White as Secy-Treas.

The season's social whirl opened with a cocktail party at McNair in October with Dave Gibbs as committee chairman, assisted by Pete Carroll and Eddie Bastion. Bob Neely and Bing Downing were out of town guests from Norfolk. Big time had by all. The gals got together for a luncheon in November, which was well attended, thanks to Johnny Ferris' wife.

While wandering (aimlessly) around the halls of the Pentagon, Hurly has run across Pinky Webster from Mitchel Field, Humpty Humphries from Watertown Arsenal, George White headed for EUCOM; further wanderings about the country brought him in contact with Johnny Shinkle at White Sands, McClelland and Frenzel in San Antonio, Bob Cyr in Detroit, and a phone call to Harry Burkhalter, who is PAS&T at Washington Univ in St. Louis.

He knows that Bob Tripp, Johnny Cleveland, Dodd Starbird and Allen Chapman are at SHAPE, and given a small amount of encouragement will wander over there to inspect their state of training. Dave Hallock's family has recently joined him in France, where Dave is the District Engineer in Bordeaux.

Thirty-Three has the G-4 job at the Point nailed down. Ab Huntsberry is due in the first of the year to replace George Van Way who has joined Kay Kaesser in a Benning refresher prior to departing for Korea around Xmas time.

Last June we were a little previous in stating that Fran Gates had the first son of the Class in the Corps. It was a three way tie—the Class is represented by David P. Bernd, Clayton S. Gates and Robin G. Speiser, as members of the Class of 1956.

Reunion plans call for a steak picnic at Round Pond on Saturday, May 30—a dinner at the Officers' Mess Sunday night, May 31—taper off informally Monday night, Graduation Tuesday, June 2. North Barracks remains as the old grads' haven and Buck Pohl has the responsibility of finding living quarters in the surrounding communities for wives and children.

—C. H. M.

a little time during his visit to pass on a bit of news concerning the Washington representation. Ralph and Ruth Bucknam, whose names we inadvertently omitted in the list of those present at the first game, were regular visitors at West Point for all the home games. Miles Chatfield, from Springfield, Mass., and Johnny Darrah, from Washington, were each here for one of the games.

On October 18 Jerry Higgins made a rush trip up, having just enough time for the game and a little relaxation later. In the meantime Jerry has taken command of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg and has acquired his second star. Congratulations, Sir!

The reference to stars brings to mind the fact that we also have some other generals who are in for congratulations. It's beginning to get hard to keep up with them all, but we hope that the following list is complete: Bill Stone, Jud Reeves, Monte Canterbury, and Al Wilson. That brings the Air Force total up to seven, to the best of our knowledge. Who said the airplane wasn't here to stay?!

The most recent class visitor to West Point was Tom O'Neil, who represented the Industrial College as an observer at the Fourth Annual Students' Conference on United States Affairs (SCUSA) from December 3d to 6th. In addition to some hair-raising tales concerning his experiences with the 3d Division in Korea, Tom also passed on the information that the following members of the class are currently students at the Industrial College: Barton, Legg, Hills, Ligon, Moseley, and Walt Moore. Tom himself is a new addition to the faculty, having attended the same institution as a student in 1948-49.

A recently received newspaper clipping tells of Willie Voehl's assignment as G-1 of a division in Korea. Before taking over that job, in October, he had been Inspector General of the same outfit.

Tom Crystal wrote from Paris about the first of October, saying that he and Patti were comfortably installed in an apartment in the center of that metropolis, within expectorating distance of the George V bar! Tom reported Dave Routh at Fontainebleau, Cary and Fell at SHAPE. On a visit to Heidelberg he had seen Stan Brown and Bob Finkenaur. Crystal address: 4 rue Quentin Bauchart, Paris VII.

Jack Stark is currently stationed at Wiesbaden, along with about half of the rest of '34's AF members! Moon Northam writes from Tokyo that he, Bill Holzapfel, and Tom Hayes are practically running the Headquarters there! (A slight editorial exaggeration. They do, however, have the situation well in hand!). That winds us up for this time. Happy New Year to all!

—W. J. R.

1934

The football season again brought numerous '34 visitors back to West Point. For the first game of the season, on September 27, Charlie and Betty Johnson drove up from Carlisle Barracks, accompanied by Harry Lardin. Charlie reported the following classmates currently students at the Army War College, in addition to Harry and himself: Surratt, Peca, McKee, UP Williams, Tate, Rusteberg, and Franklin. For the same game Dale Smith flew up from Maxwell Field and was able to join in a class get-together later, and Jim Wells and his wife, on their way to Europe after a tour at Wentworth Military Academy in Missouri, were also present.

On the 11th of October Lee Miller drove up from Washington and was able to find

1935

John and Regina Throckmorton are receiving the Class' felicitations on the arrival of their fourth child—another boy—making a "male quartet." Young David Kerwin reported for duty at Walter Reed Hospital on October 18, '52.

From D. C.—Arrivals: Kelso Clow has joined the Army Security Agency; Fred Cummings is due December 15; "Deke" Moore is with Hq. USAF; Aaron Harris is with Office, Chief of Engrs.

Forthcoming departures: Hank Cherry for FECOM; Al Ashman for Army Language School; Ralph Haines, Ft. Monroe, Va.; Kim Brown, Patrick AFB, Fla.; Mike Bowyer, EUCOM; Warren Everett, FECOM; Benny Heckemeyer is finishing at AFSC; John Parker was en route to FECOM, from

Ft. Belvoir, exact address not known; Stapleton is believed to be in Hawaii.

Remainder of news can be divided into Overseas and Zone of Interior. All of us share a deep sense of pride and emotion from the EUCOM announcement posthumously honoring Dudley Coleman. The Fliegerhorn Kaserne, at Mannheim, Germany, has been designated "The Wilson D. Coleman Barracks" per G.O. 77 Hq. EUCOM, which contains a most laudable citation depicting the details of Dud's last engagement.

Elsewhere: Nat and Jinny Martin, Hq. USAREUR ComZone, Engr. Div, APO 58 c/o PM, NY; from Rollo Rutte in Austria, Special Service Staff Sect.—Dick Agnew, Joe Moore and John Thomas along with Tredennick are assigned to USFA.

Jeff Rumsey writes from Metz, France, that he and Carmon Rogers are in that vicinity of France; Dave Wallace with Allied Forces, Southern Europe, APO 19, NYC; Ham Twitchell, Milt Taylor, Ed Bechtold and Phil Mock, SHAPE; El Niles, 39th Engrs, APO 164, NYC; Ralph Lashley near Nurnberg, Germany, commanding Army Infantry Bn.; long report from Russ Hawkins; he commands the 7th Army NCO Academy; states that Gene Orth is in Stuttgart; Milt Rosen has left Garmisch; Russ Smith, Deputy in Hq for the Labor Service Troops, Hq Heidelberg; Pedersen has returned to the States for duty with an amphibious unit near Little Creek.

From "Pen" Wollaston, ASA, PO Box "P", Fort Kobbe, C.Z.; Geo. Oglesby is at Ft. Amador—they are the only '35'ers in C.Z.

Bill Martz had his family join him with MAAG in Iran, sends best and states he sees Lee Wallace and Moose Miller, who are on the same detail.

From FECOM, John Wright and Curley Edwards furnish following info: Ellerson, Gregg, Isham, Ramee, Russ, Maroun and Spring are "on the peninsula"; Bob Glass with G-2, Tokyo, as is Norm Skinner; Todd Woodyard with Japanese Security Policy Advisory Group; Dave Stone with X Corps; Jim Adams was wounded and evacuated to the States. (We would like some further detailed info about Jim.)

Jim Buck and Al Shower are in FEAF, APO 328. Al writes that Monty Saxton is "at an Air Base west of Tokyo" and Alfrey is G-4, CICFE; Curley and John have been in the Zone for a long time and should be rotated Stateside soon. They've both commanded famous old regiments, Curley the 27th ("Wolfhounds") and John, the 14th.

Bob McDonald is with JUSMAG, Philippines, APO 928 c/o PM SF.

Burnis Kelly writes from the zone that he is in charge of a high powered Commo system and happy in so being.

News from Stateside: Gen. Jim Walsh, Qrs 22, Offutt, AFB, Omaha, Neb.; Chuck Symroski is on the faculty of AFSC; Glenn Thompson commands Wilkins Air Force Depot, Shelby, Ohio; Jack Sherden, Water-vliet Arsenal; Jack Davis, Hq. Reserve Command, and Harry Lemley, Div. Arty. Exec, both of the 1st Armed Div. are at Fort Hood, Texas. Harry Hale informs us from Governors Island, N. Y., that he is with I.G. Sect., 1st Army. "Iron Man" Russell contributed a most worthwhile item from Maxwell Field. Kip Boys, "Tige" Beall and Johnny Baynes are at the Air War College; also states that Hank Thayer is at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Ala.

Bob Tucker writes from Leavenworth that Jack Howell is also on the Staff and Faculty and that Seneca Foote is with an AAA Group with headquarters at Ft. Banks, Winthrop, Mass.

Bunny Wilbur writes from Pasco Engr. Depot, Pasco, Wash., that he sees Harry Critz and Harvey Bower at Hq. Sixth Army. Bob Hardy is also in Washington State; his address: PO Box 1080, Yakima, Washington.

(Let's have the latest, up-to-date on you, Bob.)

Jim Lang, from Office of Dist Engrs. at Galveston, Texas, writes "Galveston is a wonderful beach resort—'35'ers are always welcome."

Somers Dick is still at Fort Leonard Wood—he commands CC "B" in the 6th Armed Div. He and Lucy are happy there and invite classmates to "drop in"—soon—they feel the "hot breath" on the neck! Rynearson is also there with the 6th Armored in command of a regiment. "Stumpy" Haug informs us from Sacramento, Cal., office of the Dist. Engr., that he and the family are well and after 3 years "in place" he is expecting (but not hoping for) orders o'seas. Address: 1857 Markham Way, Sacramento.

Stan G. Wilkes sent us a warming report from his business address in Mt. Pleasant, S. C. He is with LaSalle Extension Univ. Stan has seen John Dilley (Riverside Mil. Academy, Gainsville, Ga.) and "Jug" Walker, who is P.M.S.&T. at Porter Military Academy. (Thanks, Stan, for your offer—don't be surprised!)

Horace Hinkel is an instructor at Joint Mil. Packaging School, Rossford Ord. Depot, Toledo, Ohio.

Walt Bryde has left for a year's detail in Pakistan with the UN Commission in Kashmir. Margaret and the children will remain in the Chevy Chase house.

John Morgan and Hugh Exton are checked in at USMA and join Jim Gent and Break, rounding out the '35 complement there.

In closing—the response from "More yet, No. 3" was terrific and everyone will be "pegged" without delay at the present rate. We are far from organized here but with the New Year we'll get off with a bang and put class business on top agenda. Keep it coming. Fondest regards to all from the D.C. complement. Number of classmates here has dropped to below 50—have plenty of rosters for any who write for same.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year!

—E. H. F.

1936

Here's hoping you guys and dolls had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. There were additional stars for '36, which now has seven since Westy Westmoreland, Joe Nazzaro, Howell Estes, and Dick Carmichael have joined Mike Michaelis, Casey Vincent, and T. C. Rogers. Congrats to all of them from all the '36ers. Westy is CG. the 187th, APO No. 51, San Francisco; Joe is CG, 68th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing SAC, Lake Charles AFB, La.; Howell, CG, 12th Air Div SAC, March AFB, Calif.; Dick was at Travis AFB, Calif.; Mike is Commandant of Cadets, USMA; Casey is Deputy for Materiel, HQ ADC, Colorado Springs, Colo; and TC is Deputy Commander, Hqs Crew Training, AF, Randolph AFB, Texas.

Missed being where I could see the gang at the Army-Navy game but heard from Doris Hiester and Larry Ellert that Austin, Sutherland, Clark, Whipple, Norris, Dorland, Ellert, Gunn, Hendrickson and Tetley were present, and there were probably others. I was pulling hard from the press box but couldn't get that offense working to beat Navy. However, feel that the team did an excellent job in holding them to 7 points, even if our offensive couldn't get rolling. Willie Hendrickson and Larry visited with us at the Ben Franklin.

I saw Bill Shuler a moment at the So. Calif. game and at the Georgia Tech game saw Pascal Camp, Phil Gage, Bob Orth, and J. R. Kelly. Whipple and Bothwell were here to home games.

Jack Daly, who recently got his long-deserved eagles, tells me Ev Hahney is at the NATO Staff College, Ripple in Stuttgart, Germany, and Buynoski in Niagara Falls.

Mike Michaelis is out of the hospital and convalescing at home after three months in the hospital. Mary says he is getting along fine. She reports Bill and Maureen Sibert are at Fort Bragg.

Noted a release that Ben Turnage is CO, 160th Inf Regt, 40th Div, Korea.

Fran McElheny's letter just arrived and she says they are still hotel dwellers but hope to have their house finished soon. Dan is with Engr Sec, Hq USAFFE, APO No. 343, San Francisco, and he saw Dave Hiestler of 9th Corps, and Mick Mikkelsen of KMAG while on a trip to Korea. He has also talked with Rudy Ganns and Jim Landrum. Fran enclosed a clipping on Tim Willis and wife. Tim captained an all-Army bridge (cards, that is) team which won the "Prince Takamatsu Cup" by defeating a team of foreign businessmen at the American Club, Tokyo. Tim was a member of the winning team.

A note from Bill Hay says he is now Service and Traffic Manager, Portable Electric Tools, Inc. The Hays and their six children (4 boys and 2 girls) reside at 152 So. Craig Place, Lombard, Ill. They are planning a Catholic ceremony of renewal of their marriage vows with the children as the bridal party for their 15th anniversary in September 1953.

Only other replies to my plea in the July issue of *Assembly* are from Nick Grothaus, Chem Off 4th Army; Clark Hosmer, P&A Div, SHAPE, APO 55, NYC; Bob Kessler, HQ 242 AAA Gp, APO 46, NYC; and Bob Safford, Dep C of S, US Forces, Austria, APO 168, NYC. How about a delayed Christmas gift of the information requested in the July issue for your secretary. The files are in a h--- of a shape, and I would like to get them up to date to turn over to my successor when I leave this next summer.

Nick says Bob Trout is Finance Officer at San Antonio. Clark says Lyn and Marge Monteith took a trip to Norway and that Monty is with Office, Sect Gen NATO, Paris, Lew Lipscomb and Bill Steele with SHAPE, and Bev Powell, Office, Special Representative Europe, Paris.

Rip Landry, our secretary in Washington, reports that the Class had a formal dinner dance at Fort McNair on October 4 and that 39 officers and wives attended the affair. Changes in the roster which I passed on to you in the October issue of *Assembly* were also forwarded by him, as follows: Miles and Nazzaro transferred, and added: Gordy Austin, Nick Perkins, and Fred Terrell, all at National War College; Pete Kieffer, Office, Chief of Engineers; and Jim Lampert, OCE.

I also had letters from Bill Kinard, attending Columbia University, working on a PhD in International Affairs; Bob Curran also working on a PhD at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa; Kenry Katz, Comptroller, Ordnance Tank Automotive Center, 1501 Beard St., Detroit 9, Mich.; and Hap Dalton (residing in the land of The Sultan), 1975th AACS Sq, APO 117, NYC.

Only wish I had more news and more information from all you guys and dolls, for this after Christmas issue, but assume you are also in the midst of either red tape or Christmas tape and haven't been able to get same to me. Maybe during the slack season (!) you will get busy and furnish that info and some news. As for me, I guess I'd better rush out, get my physical, do my Christmas shopping and catch up on the red tape so I can drink an eggnog to all of you come Christmas Eve.

From the four '36ers at USMA, here's hoping it was a Happy Holiday Season for all of you.

—Jim Billy.

1937

Things have picked up a little so far as letters are concerned. One from Woody Stromberg in September, he's at the Army War College along with Charley McAfee, Pop Metz, Ed Postlethwait, Ray Lutes, Bull Oden, Bill McKinley, Jack Tolson, Gordie Kimbrell, George Sloan, George McGee, Bud Zehner and Jack Montgomery. All Colonels, I hear.

Got a letter from Harvey Dorney, who is Chief of Staff of the Second Air Force HQ at Barksdale. Also got to see him for a few minutes while he was up here for the VMI game. He furnishes the following information from SAC: Charlie Westover and Ed Broadhurst are both at SAC HQ near Omaha; Moe Preston commands the 308th Bomb Wing at Hunter AFB near Savannah; Ken Sanborn has recently become Base Commander at Barksdale, Jimmy Parker is still Base Commander at Biggs in El Paso; and Swede Ohman commands the 43d Bomb Wing at Davis Monthan AFB near Tucson.

Another from Bob Seedlock. He travels with the Chief of Staff and has been around and seen much since the last *Assembly*. During a trip to Korea he missed Giles Evans and Bill Dodds. Evans is back as Assistant Engineer Commissioner in Washington. While on a month's tour of Europe he missed Gene and Marie Stann who were on a motor trip through Europe. Did see Bob and Ginger Gildart in Stuttgart and got introduced to wienerschnitzel. Saw Dave Parker in Paris and Eddie Ingmire in Germany. Bob gives high praise to Johnny Batjer for helping him buck the chow line at Maxwell and saving him from leaving without breakfast. Bob also reports that at Belvoir one can find the Ham Fishes, Jay Abercrombies, Bill Strandbergs and Charlie Mitchims. And, in the rarified atmosphere of the Pentagon one could find Bud Underwood and Frank Taylor operating out of Mr. Lovett's office; Monk Meyer with the Secretary of Defense's Military Assistance shop; Fin Unger working for General Bradley in the Joint Staff; Coy Curtis in G-1; Jack Browning in JCS; Jim Pearsall, Jim Duncan, Jim Peale and Eph Graham in G-3; Bud Hines in the atomic business; and Johnny Johnson managing careers. Dave Surles is in the Military District of Washington and Jim Skeldon is Executive at Fort Myer.

As many of you probably know, Sal and Linda Salientes are back in the Philippines. Before leaving they threw a reception for his replacement. "37" was represented by the Fred Clarks, Ivan McElroys, Joe Fochts, Eph Grahams, Willy Williams, Scotty Halls, E. A. Russells, John Eriksens, Eric Doungans, the Horriganes, Holloways, Pearsalls, Evans, Curtises, Meyers, Harrisones and Seedlocks. Please forgive me if I left anyone out.

Had a note from Poopy Conner from Fort Campbell, Ky., where he holds forth as the CO of the 188th Regiment and Harry Wilson as Chief of Staff of the 11th Airborne Division. Both were with the 187th RCT in Korea and with the 24th Division.

That's about it. Hear that Ellis Wilhoit is District Engineer at Savannah; Bill Snouffer is in Korea; Luke Hoska in Switzerland; and Sandy Kirsten and Milt Clarke are at Bliss.

I also had letters from Woody Joerg's mother in Atlanta and Trina Maybach in Providence, both would be glad to see any of the Class passing through.

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and look forward to good assignments in "53"

Anyone know where the Oberbecks are hiding out?

—R. B.

1938

In the heat of the last battle, chez Machen, for the privilege of drafting the gossip column someone imprudently forgot the rules and volunteered. On investigation it proved to be the somewhat surprised undersigned, who disclaims, however, all responsibility for errata, in view of the imminent deadline.

The local group has been knocking itself out licking envelopes and passing the 15th Reunion buck from one interlocking committee to another and is not going to miss a chance to cajole our remote constituents for more cooperation. This being a chance, there are certain little matters to be discussed.

First, we solicit information, c/o Amick, leading to communication with the following, whose questionnaires were returned, address unknown: A. M. Murray, J. T. Ewing, W. W. Smith, V. M. Miles, J. J. Carusone, S. R. Sinnreich, V. L. Zoller, C. J. Denholm.

Second, (translating J-ski's "writ by hand" into English): To date there have been only 95 replies to our questionnaire. Please expedite! Almost all decided to invest in the Class of '38; a few were philanthropic; several elected to donate but mislaid checkbooks at the critical moment (calling for a survey of checkbook stubs). The yearbook received a majority vote, but only 14 snapshots were submitted. More must be forthcoming soon for a successful rogues gallery in the yearbook! J-ski proposes a mutual heckling campaign by all living members, with the objective of shaming each procrastinating holdout into getting in those questionnaires, photographs, and nominal contributions. It should be unnecessary to repeat his threats about "renegades"

So—on to the Poison Pen Dept.: Langford and Bassett were unreliably reported to have been partaking of the Class spirits in Philadelphia. Also seen at the Navy fumble-fest: L. E. Johnson, Vail, Crouch, Rhine, Jones, Dupuy, and the ubiquitous Glace.

From the Washington group: "Bassett (a quick transition, one way or the other) and Kincaid are on Okinawa—Bassett is G-4, RYCOM—Kincaid CO of Fighter Base. Bassett says Okinawa is the new Pacific paradise. Doug Polhamus has a new son, his second, plus his daughter, of course. Ski York saw Vince Elmore in Cuba, Ken Skaer in Mexico City, Milt Barschdorf in Bolivia, Kelsey and Sherrard in Brazil. All fat and happy. Goes without saying that Ski has been on a trip, looking after his Air Attaché, or so he says.

"Jim Luper, head policeman for General LeMay's Strategic Air Command, had lunch with the Washington contingent on November 19. Fred Dean is also a student at National War College, along with Joe Reddoch and Bob Sisco, as was reported several months ago.

"Macomber and Jack Ryan (a new B.G.) still at El Paso (Biggs AFB) with SAC B-50 outfit. Butch Blanchard (also a new B.G.) is CG at Roswell. Nick Chavasse has recently returned from Germany and is now on duty at Andrews Air Force Base (Weather Office). J. R. Bailey has recently moved from Aberdeen Proving Ground to Fort Bragg, where he is serving with Field Force Board No. 1.

"Bill Sussman back from Korea. To AFF for two months, then to Armed Forces Staff College. Bob York has left the Washington area on his way to Singapore as Attaché. John Norris still here but expects to leave this month (December) for Czechoslovakia, where he will be the Attaché. Paul Davis left in November for Frankfurt—job unknown.

"Of the above, following were present at the regular monthly Class luncheon at Fort Myer on November 19: Bassett, Ski York, Jim Luper, Fred Dean, Joe Reddoch, Bob Sisco, Bob York, and John Norris. All told, 14 were present at the lunch get-together. The Class luncheon in December (was to have been) on Tuesday, December 16, in conjunction with Navy '38, with Secretary Frank Pace as speaker."

Ed Bailey, based in Naples, reports: Sam Hogan leading a sedentary life as JA of the 2nd Armd Div, exhibiting energy only in his occasional forays as nemesis of the wild boars of Bad Kreuznach; a "quick shot" (bottled) was enjoyed in the company of Ginny and John Tillson, latter with VII Corps; Si Sinnreich at large on the continent but couldn't be pinned down to a specific job; Durbin in Berlin, squeezing his family into a substantial mansion; Norm Tittle busy unsnarling and snarling wires in Naples.

J. R. Bailey celebrated a brief reunion at Camp Pickett, Virginia with Wickham and Abert in May, so doubtless (?) all have had time to reach new stations at Fort Bragg, FECOM, and Austria, respectively. Same source, Bailey, confesses also present at Bragg: Grubb, XVIII Airborne Corps; Mearns, Pschy Warfare School; and L. D. Adams, AFF Board No. 1, along with informant.

On the letterhead of the American Battle Monuments Commission in Rome Al D'Arezzo writes that he is a peripatetic Engineer but won't reach the States again until 1955. He relays the rumor that Bob Offer is with MAAG, presumably also a Roman. Back on the home front, by good fortune Curly (Harvey?) accomplished his annual drawer cleaning just in time to beat the deadline on the questionnaires (which should suggest to our silent colleagues a thorough ransacking of their dead files for the balance of those unmailed documents). He's in school (somewhere) and is not optimistic about his chances for the Reunion.

I have just been handed a long message over Bottle Kasper's signature. I quote: "What should I do now about reservations for June Week?" Why can't everyone keep us as well informed?

Hutchin is somewhat less laconic and conveys news of classmates at the Army War College in admirably reportorial phrases as follows: "Twelve . . . at the Army War College. One is Air Force, Henry Crouch, who is here with his wife, Jean. Others include Art Collins, Ekman, Hutchin, Izenour, Lahti, Langford, Lipscomb, Lynch, Sternberg, Wansboro, and Works. It now looks like all will support your drive to build up the Class Fund. (Please note including those at West Point.)

"Five wives are engaged in Girl Scout and Brownie activities—Kitt Hutchin, Dee Lynch, Margaret-Earl Langford, Pat Works, and Iris Ekman.

"On October 5, Bob and Pat Works were blessed with an 8 pound 4 ounce baby son they have named Robert Jefferson—not in honor of Jefferson the President, but rather of our classmate Jeff Irvin.

"News here has it that Jeff Irvin has a regiment in Korea; and that Al Weinnig, of whom we haven't heard for years, is in the Pentagon, after a tour in London.

"In the Student Faculty Bowling League, Ed Lahti sets the pace for all. With his own bowling ball and special bowling uniform. . . ! Jim Lynch is doing practically the same thing in his expert golf. . ."

After expressing the pride we all share in Blanchard's and Ryan's stars, he mentions visiting Ole Danielson, who is retired, married, and slaves in the UN Library, a part of the Secretariat. "Highpoint of (Hutchin's) year" was a dubious incident

in which Andy Lipscomb came out on the rear end of an encounter with a sea gull. Soldier's Medal or Purple Heart?

Recent visitors at West Point: the Jack Nickersons, from Washington; Hal and Nancy Moorman, to whom thanks for the catalogue; Bob Snider, from the Air War College; the Glaces, from Sears, Roebuck; the Ole Danielsons, from the UN; the John Norrises, from Washington; the Vails; Trevor Dupuy, from Harvard; and probably others, to whom apologies for omission. Burke, wife, and kids were seen earlier in the year in the Embassy Restaurant in Paris, where he is with SHAPE.

No permanent changes here, though the coming year may eventually see only two retreats and one sporty character in civvies left to hold down the fort: Jacunski, Matheson, and Amick, respectively.

ACT NOW! SUPPORT THE CLASS FUND AND THE 15TH REUNION!

—D. R. M.

1939

Bob Ploger, busy engineering on Okinawa, writes that he and his family, one daughter and three sons, are the only class representatives stationed there. Bob has been visited by Dick Reeves, Johnny Ray and McCollam, all stationed in Tokyo.

If Okinawa is lean on classmates, Washington isn't. Bob Schellman writes from D. C. that the sixty-three classmates there have started the social season, and that it is in full swing. Mike Davidson is the 1952-53 chairman of the Washington steering committee and has Lampley, Higgins and Hull to assist. If you go to Washington, be sure and contact Mike as there is always the possibility that a class luncheon or some similar event will be taking place during your visit. You can always, says Schellman, reach Mike at the following address: Lt. Col. M. S. Davidson, 300 Jackson Street, Arlington 4, Virginia. Class luncheons are held on the first Wednesday of the month. Dottie Hull forced Don to take her to the Navy game this year. Don has become so cosmopolitan in his world travels with Service athletic teams that Dottie is having his citizenship verified. Jack Lampley has just returned from several years in

Mexico City. Stan Dziuban informs us that Ace Shepard is fast becoming a true family man having sold his plane and reduced his stable to his last Cadillac. The number of four and five-children families is increasing by leaps and bounds, or should I say by boys and girls? Schellman says you can't qualify until you've had your fourth. The Jack Wintermutes just had twins and the Tom Dolvins now have a boy to go with their girl. Jim Billups covers the world for and with the Under Secretary of the Army. Jack Norris is in the psychological warfare business. Jack organized the last class party with Hank Newcomer. Al Ginder was mighty interested in the recent political situation. Ed Smith stopped by on his way to AFSC from FECOM. Bill Buster, gentleman farmer from Lexington, Ky., was recently at Belvoir for two weeks' active duty. Bill reports that Charlie Mount is PMS&Ting at Kentucky U and has purchased a house in Lexington. Ed Hoopes was in DC for two weeks' active duty with the AG. Walt Higgins helps G-1 assign officers. Dick Curtain, Bill Boyd and Bob Curtain are air forcing around the Pentagon. Recent arrivals in Washington are Mike Krisman, Larry Beckedorf, Jimmy Muir and Ken Yarnall. Saw Ralph Hanchin eating chow in the Pentagon.

Tom Smith is still at Fort Sill. Brownfield is at Fort Bragg with AAF Board No. 1.

At West Point, Homer Barber and Ralph Jordan worked up the Christmas party for the kiddies. Wally Grant says he saw Bill Van Harlingen and Roger Lilly at the Navy game. Jack Meyer ran the huge Wanamaker cadet party after the Navy game. Jack saw Henry Newcomer at the game. Marshall Wallach has been doing much stalking of fish and game since his arrival here. Bob and Sally Spragins visited WP in October. Bob is with G-3 AFF. Jim Schwenk, who is with G-3 DA, spoke at the after taps rally before the Dartmouth game—he must have really told them. Gale Eaton was a recent visitor. Gale is working on his M.S. at Loyola U in Chicago. Carl "Kasper" Lentz is AAing at Middletown, N. Y. Funnel Farrell and Link Simon are with the Armed Forces Special Weapons project. Heinz Weisemann covers the country for the QMG. Edgar "Jarvis" Jordan is in the insurance business in N. J. and makes all the home games. Dick Clev-erly is with the JAG in Europe. Adelaide

and the two children are in Massachusetts waiting for that boat.

The following is a list, as of September 16, 1952, of classmates in and around Washington, with their duty assignments: Allen, Arthur W., G-1 USA; Allen, Raymond W., CAMAG; Beckedorf, L. R., AEC; Billups, J.S., OSD; Boyd, W. S., AFOIN; Breitenbucher, P.M., USA (Ret) American University; Camp, Robert H., CINOF; Carpenter, John W. III, Hq ARDC, 5W Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.; Cassidy, R. F., G-4 USA; Coffey, J. I., G-2 USA; Curtin, R. D., AFOPD; Davis, T. W., USA Ord; Davison, Mike, DC/S P&R; Dawley, J. P., R&DB (OSD); Dickman, Joe, AFOPD; Dolvin, Welborn, G., G-4; Dziuban, S. W., OSD, OISA; Farrell, Norman, AFSWP; Ford, Ed. R., 1005 IGSIG Bolling AFB; George, W. C., USA IG; Ginder, Allen W., USA RET (CIA); Glawe, Ben, AF; Hamilton, E. S., USA; Hanchin, R. J., MB; Hardwick, S. B., AFOPD; Higgins, W. M., G-1 USA; Higginson, Geo, AFOAC; Hoisington, P. M., AF; Horner, C. T., G-4 USA; Hull, D. F., AGO; Hull, Keith, D/MA; Kouns, C. W., G-2 USA; Krisman, M. J., CIA; Kurth, E. H., JAG; Lennhoff, C. D., JAG; Little, R. R., AFOPD; Maslowski, L. C., G-2 USA; Marlin, Raymond B., stationed in Iceland (wife here); McFerren, C. D., SSMH; McGowan, N. J., AFDAP; McMahon, R. E., IG; Meals, E. O., AEC; Megica, M.G., USA ORD; Miller, R. B., AFFDP; Minahan, D. J., CIA; Muir, James I., G-3, USA; Newcomer, H. C., AFOAT; Norris, J. K., SSPW; Pickett, G. E., G-4 USA; Schellman, R. H., G-3 USA; Shepard, C. L. Jr., CMD/AG; Simon, L. A., AFSWP; Schwenk, J. T. L., G-3; Vandenberg, R. E., TC; Wald, J. J., G-4 USA; Walton, C. M., AFOIN; Weisemann, H., OQMG; Wendorf, H. D., JAG; Wickboldt, Walter, OSD; Will, Ray, AFPTR; Wintermute, J. S. Jr., ORD; Wood, O. E., G-4 USA; Yarnall, K. L., CMD/AGO; Mrs. Helen Page; Mrs. Patty Pulliam.

Sam Kail writes from Niagara U. that Mary Margaret and he and Wanda and Johnny McConville got together at the home of Barbie and Matt Legler in Buffalo for the Navy game.

Harvey Fraser reports from C&GSC, where he is a student, that Jack Boles, Bob Hill, Livie Taylor, Danny Nolan, Johnny Olsen, Vern Gilbert and "Gibbo" Gibbons are instructors, and that Dick Bowie, Bill Boyle, Lou Cantrell, Frank Forrest, Bob Haffa, "Wimpy" Walker, Shields Warren, Walt Winegar, and Carl Wohlfeil are students. Nearby as Kingpin of the Lake City Arsenal is "Pappy" Serren. On October 18 they held a Whing Ding at the Golf Club. (See cut.)

—Ted Hunsbedt.

1940

December brings a quaint invitation from Fort Belvoir, Virginia which says, "If you are not an old goat you will be at Fort Belvoir on Saturday 13th December". There was a map included that even Humphrey could read. Since the qualifications were so rigid, I could not make the meeting. I understand it was a complete success, which proves that even Engineers have fun. What did I tell you Manzollilo?

The Navy game brought out Cibotti from Fort Hancock where he is serving with Brown, G.; Freudendorf from Edgewood Arsenal; Bennett who is poring over poop-sheets at Carlisle Barracks; Aquilla Hughes, Clay, George Mueller, Zeke Summers, and McKenzie; and blotting out a train window I saw the face of Harry Stella.

Sullivan writes from Fort Leavenworth, and, for the record, the following members



CLASS OF '39 AT LEAVENWORTH

Front Row (left to right)—Elizabeth Cantrell, Johnny Olson, Muffy Olson, Bob Haffa, Pat Haffa, Jack Boles, Brookie Boles, and Elvira Walker.

Second Row—"Lew" Cantrell, "Gibbo" Gibbons, Guila Gibbons, Sherry Denno, Walt Winegar, Ann Winegar, "Happy" Serrem, "Pappy" Serrem, and "Wimpy" Walker.

Third Row—Vern Gilbert, Bryce Denno (ex '39), Bill Boyle, Eleanore Bowie, Dick Bowie, Jean Fraser, Danny Nolan, Puffy Warren, Shields Warren.

Fourth Row—Louise Gilbert, Babbie Boyle, Mr. and Mrs. Townsend (house guests of Cantrells), Harvey Fraser, "Glad" Hill, Joan Nolan, Jimmy Taylor, and Livie Taylor.

Taking Picture—Bob Hill. Not in picture but attended party—Carl and Ethel Wohlfeil.

are present. Belt, Cameron, Shanahan, Sullivan and Adams are members of the Staff and Faculty. Those listening attentively as students are: Banks, Beaudry, Bonham, Brown, H. C., Burfening, Cook, J. A., Denno, Dibble, Fritter, Gasperini, Hendrickson, Krauss, Mastran, O'Brien, J. A., Patten, Perry, Pillsbury (now an Engineer), Rizza, Winton and Wright, J. M. Sam Peterson came up from Fort Campbell for a short course and is now off for Korea.

Jim Dubuisson received his LLB degree from Tulane University in 1948 and is now a practicing lawyer at St. Landry Bank Building, Opelousas, La. Walters has left Sandia Base for TAS, Fort Sill. Gillem, of the beady eye, is at an RAF station in Upper Heyford, England. Stanton Smith last heard from at Randolph AF Base in Texas. Sends picture of Jim Smiley, who was married recently in Memphis. Carnahan writes from Korea, where he has seen Reinecke and J. G. Stewart. Stewart is on a four year language detail (Meszar please note) while Reinecke is with FECOM.

Bob Raleigh writes from Colorado Springs that he is still willing to develop a movie of the Class while at the Academy if classmates will supply strips of film they have taken over the years. Bob has quite a bit himself and would like more. Anyone interested can write me or write to Raleigh at 1512 Lorraine Street, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Stoddard is with MAAG, care of American Embassy, Lisbon, Portugal. Merchant same place. Noble is with SHAPE. He received his M.S. degree in Civil Engineering from M.I.T. in 1948, Russ Manzillo is with Japan Log Command. Bert Lane is Chief, Plans and Operations Branch, Headquarters 3rd Army, at Fort McPherson, Georgia. Sattem is special assistant to General Groves with Remington Rand. His address is 99 Osborne Place, Southport, Conn. Mark C. B. Klunk is in Tuzla, Turkey with the AAA Section TUSAG. Richards received his M.S. degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Pennsylvania and is now assigned to OCAFF, Ft. Monroe, Virginia. H. B. Chandler leaving Rooney behind in Yokohama as he heads for the States. Expects to see Tommy Muller at Benning and then come on to Washington for assignment.

Dick Abbey and Eleanor are settled in The Hague, where Dick is assigned to MAAG, The Netherlands. Write him there care of the American Embassy. He has run into Esau, Barnard, McKenney and Tony Wermuth. Larry Legere writes from Berlin that no one of the Class has passed through there recently.

I have run out of news. Again use up your old Christmas cards by jotting information on back and mailing to me at Box 994, Washington, D. C. My office address is 1029 Vermont Avenue, N.W. and my telephone number is Metropolitan 8-4775.

—Hank Brewerton.

1941

WASHINGTON: Dan Salinas reports that the following '41ers are with him in G-3, Operations: Hewitt, Cooper (George, I presume), Knowlton, Moody, and Atteberry. Bill McElroy dropped in for two weeks from Bliss.

TOKYO: Cliff Cole reports that Dave Kunkel TDYed through recently from his base at 18th AF Hq, Greenville, N. C. George Brown is D/O for the 5th AF and "doing a fine job directing the air war against the Commies." Ted Brown is asst D/O in the Japan Air Defense Force at Nagoya and is

"up to his freckled ears in alerts, radar defense systems, and other flaps". Bruce Cator is in JADF with Ted. Wendy Knowles has an Arty Bn in the middle of the Punch Bowl. "He has a fine Korean tan and carries a store of interesting tales of his artillery duels with his opponents across the Korean Sky Line Drive which rims the Punch Bowl." Al Muzyk is in Tokyo with the big Army Hq. He works for Roy Watson's father in a section which "he doesn't talk much about". Heard that George Pittman commands a squadron in an ARC Wing in the Philippines. Arnold Thomas recently moved down to Yokohama. "The man with the first hasn't stopped yet!" The Coles will be heading for the States in May or June "with five troops instead of the four we now have".

BENNING: Jack Millikin accounts for Ed Rowny, Jim Graham, Babe Hendrickson, Ace Bailey and himself as the remaining few; all with the Staff and Faculty, TIS. Gathering in Atlanta, where they saw Army shot down by Georgia Tech, they ran into Buck Brinson, "retired insurance mogul", Hank Irwin, John Atkinson, Jack Bentley, Dave Kunkel, and Mike Cochran. "According to reports John At is still there stuck in one of the hotel elevators."

DALLAS: Charlie Murrah (Assistant Manager, The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, 1621 Main Street, Dallas 1 Texas) reports that after three years of teaching school, he entered the Life Insurance Business in '49. Stormy John Clark is Sales Manager for the S. W. Equipment Company and his home address is 6420 Dykes Way, Dallas, where "any classmate would be welcomed"

LEAVENWORTH: Catherine Boswell, pinch-hitting for Hank, says that Wray White spent a recent weekend in honor of the new arrival, Wray Saunders Boswell, who was born October 25 weighing 7 lb. 5 oz. Other toilers in the Class include "Aliotta and family; Joe Canella and family; Dick and Vada Delaney; Lyman and Jane Faulkner (2 girls, 1 boy); Matt and Roberta Harrison (3 boys); Bob and Grace Keagy (1 boy and 2 girls); Roy and Kay Kelly (2 and 1); Ed Kisiel and wife; Moody Layfield and wife (2 boys); JCH Lee and wife; Bill and Renee Linton (2 children); the Johnny McIntyres; Moe and Patty Schrepf (2 boys); Jim and Terry Strain; Jim Sykes (to be married Thanksgiving)." Paul Gray and Win Curley were there for a short course. "Hear from Fishers, McIntyres and Richards at West Point; Dick Scott dropped by on his way to Germany. Caroline Brown is on her way to Japan."

EUROPE: Poopy Ellis came through with his frequent and much welcomed locator file. In Frankfurt, Gen. Handy's new Hq: Felix Gerace in J-4; C. W. Fletcher in J-3. In Gen. Handy's old Hq in Heidelberg: Ripper Collins in P&A, Bucky Miller and Ben Spiller in OPOT, John Manley in Provost Marshal, Dick Scott in Logistics. Henzl in Signal, TK White in Log, Fowler in P&A (second son born in December—3rd child). Lawson in P&A and Jake Towers in OPOT, Michel in Comm Z. Ellis is G-3, Hq V Corps; Ben Kercheval, CO 42 FA, and Ted deSausure, CO 20 FA, both in the 4th Div. Marsh, 26 Inf, 1st Div; Fitzpatrick, CO 63 Tank Bn, 1st Div; Max Tyler, Eng Off, Augsburg Military Post; Bill Hoge, S-3 18 FA Gp; von Schirlitz, 3rd Bn, 18th; Paul Pigue, CO 95 AAA Bn; Spec Powell, CO 118 Engr Bn, 43 Div; Zarembo, QM, 38 Div; Jog Greene, CO 206 FA Bn, 43 Div; Barney Niles, G-2, and J. C. Barney, G-1, both of USFA; Dunc Brown, CO 406 Engr Bn; Stan Hutson, G-2, Hq Seventh Army; Ben McCaffery in Englan with Hq 32 Brigade at Mildenhall; Jim King CO 426 FA Bn. Recent departures: Geldermann for USA, Schrepf for Leaven-

worth; C. L. Smith for U of Minn. "If any of this needs correcting, please write Ripper Collins or me at APO 79." "Just missed seeing Burch Rising before he departed en route to Walter Reed."

BORN: James M. Strain at Ft. Benning, July 21, '52. Martha D. Dilts at Ft. Riley, August 20, '52. Katherine Green (Mike's fourth) at Ft. Belvoir, September 9, '52. Steven A. Rosenbaum at Wright-Patterson AFB, September 19, '52. Samuel B. Magruder, Jr., at Ft. Brooke P. R., October 22, '52.

ORDERS: Bill Gribble to Stu Det Hq 3 Army with station at Oak Ridge, Tenn. Moe Molesky to Sig Center, Ft. Monmouth. Barney Woodruff (just back from a B-26 tour in Korea) to Moody AFB, Ga. Jack Bentley to Johnston Island as Base Commander.

IN THE NEWS: (from *Air Force*, December '52) "People in the Air News, Col. Fred J. Ascani, one of the AF's leading specialists in research testing of aircraft, who recently received USAF's Mackay Trophy for 1951 for setting a world speed record of 635.6 mph in the 100 kilometer Closed Course Competition at the National Air Races in Detroit last year. Colonel Ascani flew an F-86E to beat the previous record of 605.8 mph."

POSITIONS WANTED, MEN: As most of you know, Jack Norton will be out of a job come January 20. If any of you know of any good openings for a guy who can go to a hand stand from a sitting position on a straight-backed chair, please address your notice in care of the Bureau of Displaced Persons, Washington 25, D. C.

—Burt Andrus.

1942

We '42-ers are twenty-two strong here at the Academy and in ten departments as follows: Chem—Cage; Eng—Halpin, Bob Short, Ulsaker; Elec—Ballard, Terry; Foreign Languages—Larry Adams, Aileo, Van Warren; Math—Buchanan, Cockrill, Charbonneau; Mech—Hottenroth, Roecker; MT&G—Baxter, Roberts; Ord—Buck; Tacs—Flanagan, Robbs, Rose, Timothy; and Social Sciences—Charlie Fergusson.

During September we elected Fran Roberts to chairman the WP group for a second year. His leg men are Van Warren (entertainment), Pat Timothy (secretary) with Charlie Fergusson as his assistant, Ed Aileo (treas), and me as the '42 representative to the Association of Graduates. Van Warren, with the able assistance of Carl Ulsaker and George Buck have already entertained us royally with a chicken dinner at Round Pond. Our wives are organized too. They have a luncheon at least once each month, and other social get-togethers too.

The Adams, Baxters, Charbonneaus, and Fergussons have all had additions recently. Of course, Doc Charbonneau had to steal the glory from his newest by winning silver leaves. Not much more news from the Point except that Lee Marshall and Pat Thompson were among football weekend visitors this past fall.

Doc Hyde was married to Enid Griswold of Montclair, N. J., in an impressive ceremony at St. Luke's Church in Montclair on October 25, 1952. The bride served with the Red Cross in Italy (88th Div) and now works for the State Department. Roaring Robert Evans was best man, and he, except for introducing Mrs. Pace as Secretary of the Air Force, performed admirably. Doc

and Enid are now at home in Washington. Best regards from all of us.

Claire Duffie writes that the '42-ers at Leavenworth had a big get-together on October 11th. The party included John Barnes, Bart, Beeson, Crittenberger, Deane, Divers, Geiger, Dick Hennessy, Leavey, Rog Russell, Ryder, Paschiak, Shedd, John Short, and their better halves. The Jesse Lewis' couldn't make it (stork trouble); but Andy Low and wife came down from Omaha, and the Josendales drove in from St. Joseph, Mo. The Geigers, Leaveys, and Lewis' have new babies to care for now. Claire also writes that he saw Don Blake, Michel, Hardaway, and Bortell at Maxwell the first part of November; and that Jerry Snow and Phil Wyman would finish their special schooling there in December '52.

Tom Iuliucci and Dave Clagett have both written from Puerto Rico. Tom is an ROTC Instructor and Dave is with the National Guard. Joe Hennessee is down there also, with the ROTC I believe. The fourth little Iuliucci was due in December.

A note arrived from Dick Wise. He is still in Caracas, Venezuela, with Socony-Vacuum Oil. There are a couple of news clippings here too. Seems that Howard Fender is making quite a name for himself as District Attorney at Fort Worth. The other concerns Dutch Heffner and his success as an Oklahoma oil man. Congratulations to both. John Anderson, in Japan, has joined the many many others, both in and out of the Class, in praise of "Threads of Grey". All of us owe a vote of thanks to last year's West Point contingent; they did a wonderful job. John writes that Ernie White is in the Far East. A letter from Mrs. McCarthy says that Mac was in the hospital for a couple of months last summer. He is feeling fine now, however, and is enjoying his work at Great Falls, Montana. Pappy Garvin has moved to Drexel Hill, Pa. He started Veterinary Medicine School as a brand new freshman at U. of Penn. Harold Rice is there too studying something. Pappy writes that Hank Ivey passed his bar exam (U. of Va.) a year before finishing his law course. Hank is continuing until graduation, of course.

Kenny Hanst and Phil Wyman have written from Washington. G. Foster, Jim Hayes, and Tom Rienzi have joined the Washington contingent. There are about fifty of the Class in that area now. Seems that Dick Horridge is teaching Kenny the manly art of poker. Mattina is at Belvoir, and Stan Josephson at Aberdeen (?).

That just about exhausts the news for this issue. You should have the addresses of all the Class before receiving this; Charlie Fergusson has been hard at work on that. And Pat Timothy is assembling more detailed news, as reported on your latest address cards, and will mail same sometime during the "Gloom Period". One other item which may be of interest: the Class Fund now stands at nearly \$400.

Let's have some letters in the near future or there will be no news for the next issue!

—D. E. B.

January 1943

The news is from all parts this time: Korea, Formosa, Europe, Iceland, and Stateside. But before getting into the reports, I have some announcements from the high geared 10th Reunion Organization here at West Point.

First, there will be a Tenth Reunion Howitzer. It will be a good book with a hard cover (similar to the *Howitzer's*) in-

closing well laid out pages of biographical matter and photographs. Printed by a leading firm in the American Yearbook Corp., the book will cost \$5.00. Widows, mothers, and others, who, related to the members of the Class, wish to get copies of the yearbook, are requested to send in their orders to: January 1943 Reunion Fund, Box 133, West Point, N. Y., before February 1, 1953. Class members who have sent in down payments and autobiographies are asked to send in the additional \$3.00 and the required photographs. Class members who have sat on their hands are asked to get busy.

Second, all sorts of entertainment (picnics, teas—one evening gown hop) are being planned for June Week. As soon as class members firm their plans, they should advise the Entertainment Committee Chairman Bob Bullard, Dept. of Military Art and Engineering, of them. In particular, Jess Hollis is sweating out housing.

Now, for some news. In Korea, Tim Brown commands a bn of the 7th Div. Danny Moore is Div G-1 (the Moores have a new baby, Marilyn Virginia, born on November 6 at West Point). Rex Minckler is Assistant Div Signal O. Cecil Page has recently joined the Div Artillery—all this, or most of it, Ed Bielecki, the Div Engineer, reports.

Also in Korea, Les Harding is Opns O in an engineer construction gp; Fred Waters commands an engineer unit. Al Freer has recently joined the 40th Div. Hal Barber, who G-3's the 3rd Div, has received on Oak Leaf Cluster to his Silver Star. Ed Lowry has been seen walking the streets of Seoul. Baber is expected in Korea, has probably arrived by now; Walt Cook and John Ross have left.

Mrs. Harrison reports that Tom, reported missing in action May 21, 1951, is in a Communist prison camp. She has received several letters from him and his morale seems to be good. Adrian St. John, DA G-3, severely wounded on Formosa while observing training performed by the Chinese Nationalists, is reported to be recovering nicely in a hospital in Japan.

From Iceland, Bill Wade writes that he is Assistant J-5 (Plans) on the Joint Staff, IDF, APO 81, N. Y. C. He saw Jim Hackler last August when Jim was TDY from 9th AF. Of the depth of the snow, there is no mention. Bill left his wife and 3½ year old son in the states for the length of his 1 year tour.

The news from Europe comes from Bill Knowlton, SHAPE (APO 55, NY), and T. Q. Donaldson, USAREUR (formerly EUCOM), APO 403, NY. When the Governor of Nebraska was traveling in Europe recently, Bill impressed him to such an extent that Bill wound up with a commission as Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska (the Governor is the Chief Admiral). Among Bill's other visitors at Neuilly have been the newly married Anne Marie and George Kinney, who are based at AFSE, Naples, along with Priscilla and Marvin Berenzweig. The following resembles a secret operator's report: a Brigadier of the British Army speaks of having had some fine parties with Caroline and Gray Wheelock in London. And a final note from the Knowltons (Peggy, Bill, Billy, Davis, Timmy, and Holly): Janet has probably joined husband Jack Wheeler in Germany where Jack is a Tank Bn Exec in the 2nd Armored Div.

T. Q., who took Hank Greenberg's place, or at least his desk, works with Pete Pavick, Elvy Roberts (P&A G-1), Paul Ellis (Engr Div), John McClure (Engr Div), and Chuck Alfano (Sig Div). He has seen Al Toth, assigned to the Allied Planning Group. Mara and T. Q. are expecting their third

child, which has set T. Q. into making violent preparations. You see, their last child was delivered by mother Mara, while father T. Q., waiting a long hour for the doctor, boiled water.

Back in the States, Paul Croonquist and Phoebe Ann Jackson were married in Spokane, Washington, on November 28—which is delightful news.

While the Army team was making its gallant comeback this year, many of the Class came out to lend support. On hand for the S. Carolina game were Dorothy and Ollie DeGruchy (Air Force Transportation, Hq USAF). After the game Barger, Fiss and McDermott received at the Officers' Club the West Point group and such out-of-towners as Joe Hamilton and Eddie McGough. At the USC game in Los Angeles, Dave Barger saw the following: Jack Jones (Ret, works for North American Aviation); Hugh Mease (PMS&T, USC); Jack Daye (Hq WADF); Ray Brittingham, Bill Dolby, and Jim Frankosky (Hq ARDC, Baltimore, Md.); Billy Hovde (American Embassy, Mexico City); and Bill Brady and Harrington (AF Flight Test Center, Muroc, Calif.). At the Georgia Tech game in Atlanta, Dave saw Joe Dover and Johnny Buckner (Hq AU) and Bill Kyle and Joe Gatewood (Barksdale AFB). Joe Gatewood was wearing senior pilot wings. There was a brief party (until 0300) at Brad (Graduate Training, Georgia Tech) and Millie Lundberg's, 1620 Stewart Ave., S.W., after the game. Bart Mallory (Ass't PMS&T, Georgia Tech) was there and Jeane. Bart was first seen in the vicinity of the punch bowl, and never, I believe, left that area. Bud (Grad work U of Alabama) and Marcia Hood spent the weekend with the Lundbergs. Paul Andrepont (Ret, Reeves Inst. Corp., NYC) was at the Columbia game. Johnny Buckner came up for the VMI game. And at the Navy game were Chet Butcher (Hq USAF), Cucolo, Bill Pitts, Joe Benson, Greenberg, Clarke Hain, Lowell Wilkes, Mike Robinson, Joe Hamilton, Jack Shaffer, Fred Porter, and Ed Murray—to name some.

To round out the Stateside news, the Fly Flanagans (he is Asst Secretary at the Artillery School, Fort Sill) have just had a third child, a boy, Terry. Bob Blake is on the school staff. Stew Meyer, Stabler and Ramsey are all going to the advanced course. George Young, having transferred from Artillery to Ordnance in July 1952, is now at the Ballistics Research Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. George has just returned from Eniwetok where he performed "thermonuclear research"

—Linn.

June 1943

Hi! The letter and questionnaire on the tenth reunion and ten year book left here in November. If you have not received your notice by the time you see this please contact us *at once*. A penny (beg pardon, two penny) post card with your present address is all we need at present.

We have rented a post office box for the Class so address any inquiries concerning the class to: Class of June 1943, Box 2, West Point, N. Y. The local secretary will make the mail run and send your message to the appropriate local individual.

Incidentally, the mail man has been very good to us the past month, so we have plenty to pass on.

First of all, to the local group here at W.P. we must add Jimmy Greene, who reported in a couple of months ago and is now working with the W.P. Prep School at

Stewart Field but residing here. Two others at Stewart Field, but working with the boys in blue, are Pat Hurley and Robin Olds. Ran into Pat at a Class get-together at Stewart Officers' Club a couple of weeks ago. Also present: Gordys, McCannas, Clarks, Olmsteads, Taylors, Greenes, Malones, and Helen McCabe (Ed is off in Korea and she is living in Highland Falls).

Tony Hartman writes from Rome, Italy, that he will be ordained in the priesthood of the Catholic Church on December 20, 1952. He has been studying at the North American College in Rome, and expects to return to Washington, D. C. in July '53. I'm sure that all join with me in wishing Rev. Tony all of the best.

Dan'l Flannel Cullinane reported (just too late for the last issue) that with him at Knox in the Advanced Course were Jim Cain, Hal Saine, John Brady and Tom Tanner. One of their instructors was George Cantlay. Danny also noted that Jake Brier was with Hq. EUSAK, APO 301, PM/SFC.

A letter from Lolly Greene (rec'd September 20, '52) reports that there was no change in Bill's status (MIA since August '51). Her address is 132 Westover St., Hampton, Va.

A note from Ted Connor in England says that he and Emmy expect number three in early spring. Ben and Barb Cassidy also present and also expecting (number two in January). Ted or Ben have seen Ace Parker, Dave Galas and Roger Kullman in London.

Lorry and Betty Thomas contributed William Thomas to the Gray Line auxiliary in September. Congrats. Lorry sent a list of classmates and wives present at a local class reunion picnic held on the banks of the Potomac in early September. Present were Bower, Brierty, Chamberlain, Deal Hershberger, Hogan, Hollenbeck, Hudson, Johnston, Keck, Madison, MacMullen, Novak, Shiely, Smith, L. B., Schaefer, Walsh, Watkins, Watson and Wiener. Also around but batching at the time was Hal Parfitt. Jim Keck was to leave shortly thereafter for Hawaii. Fred Proctor had left Belvoir earlier in the month for California and Korea.

From Baltimore, Lowell Smith sent a list of classmates working with Hqs, Air Research and Development: Phil Eastman and Mike Zubon, Office of Scientific Research; W. W. Martin, power plant designing; Lee Hudson and L. B. Smith, trying to program the whole business; Norm Keefer assigned there but working in Dayton (also slated for AC&S in January). Sounds like a high powered crew. Anything can happen.

Fort Sill is represented by a bulky letter from Tommy Tomlinson (thank you). A roster of those present finds: Barickman, Boller, Hayes, Lacouture, O'Hare, Pulos, Ray, Vordermark, and Wilson, all in AOAC; Blatt, Dept Abn & Spec Ops; Crane and Francisco, in Dept of Obsn; Lucas in Dept of Extension Courses; Magathan, C.O. 553 FA Bn; Moses and Tomlinson, Dept of Gunnery; and Wilkinson, Dept of Combined Arms. (Quite a crew here too.) Tommy reports on an excellent class party on November 8 at the Golf Club (oh, that smoked turkey!) and another planned for February. Tommy saw Bill Cover after Bill had returned from Korea; he is now with the ROTC at Iowa State. Tommy also reports of another classmate studying for the priesthood, Jim Keenan, at a seminary in Little Rock, Ark. At Chaffee, Tommy saw Bob Rooker, commanding a training battalion. All the little Rookers are fine. Tommy also heard from someone that Ed Kreml is with 25th Div Arty.

Christy Munch writes from Clark Field that he sees K. B. Smith (attaché business

in Siam) every now and then. Hank Rosness, still a bachelor, fled the Pentagon for a few days and had a martini or two with Chris in September. Chris offers to stake anyone passing thru to "a new will, a cold drink, and a dinner" if he can take the slice out of Chris' golf drives. The line forms on the right.

A list of students at C&GS at Leavenworth submitted by Del Perkins shows Hal Aaron, Dave Davenport, Al Jones, Al Burdett, Arch Hamblen, Dale McGee, Bill Greenwalt, Jim Phillips, and Del moving the corps around like they were armies. Del says he saw Jim Wade this summer in Beeville, Texas. Jim is a "Gentleman Farmer" complete with boots and stetson, though he is still connected with an airline company and commutes between Beeville and San Antonio.

Dutch Umlauf, at Ft. Campbell with the 675th Abn FA Bn, wrote in concerning our questionnaire. He reports that he is the only one of June '43 around. He did see Wally Potter, who was up from Sandia on a business trip. According to Wally, there are quite a few of our group at Sandia. (Why not send us a list?) Dutch reports that Joe Boyle went down to Puerto Rico this past summer and that Stan Ott is S-3 of 74th Armored FA Bn. (APO 46, PM/NY).

In reply to our inquiry for addresses in the last issue, we have heard from Helen Westfall that Wes is with Hqs. 2nd Inf. Div. in Korea. Also there, is Joe Weyrick.

Incidentally we still need addresses for Russell Maughan, Ranauld Whitaker, Hanford Lockwood and W. T. Whittemore.

Gorelangton put pen to paper with some poop about folks at Maxwell Field. Kilpatrick, McCord, Dudley, and Bill Scott are there with him in ACSS. George Thompson (a civie in Montgomery) and wife Anne went to the Georgia Tech game with the Gorelangtons. After the game they saw the DeBrockes, the Meyzs and the Rip Collins at the train station. The course ends December 12 and plans called for the following moves: Gorelangton, back to Savannah; Bill Scott to Barksdale; McCord to N.E.A.C. (where Joe Huau is); Dudley to the Pentagon; and Kilpatrick to stay at Maxwell. Bud Hough is at Maxwell working on something. McGregor is scheduled in from Tripoli to attend the next class, as is Joe Walsh from the Pentagon.

A letter from Ottawa, Canada, from Bill Deekle reports the Deekle family (wife Marian, sons Peter, 6, and Michael, 3, and bouncy beagle hound, Duke) all fine. Bill is U.S.Q.M. Tech Representative on Tripartite Standardization Program and may be reached c/o U.S. Embassy, Ottawa. Says he would welcome any visitors passing by.

From Korea, a letter from Edrington informs us that he is a Bn. Comdr. in the 2nd Inf. Div. He has seen Kengle, who commands a nearby Engineer Bn.

Also in Korea, as G-3 of an Engineer Group is Ed McCabe. Helen, Ed's better half, reports that Ed has seen Sam Pinnell and Charlie Reed.

A long letter from Bob de Camp in Japan provides the following remarks: Bob in G-4, Hq. AFFE in Yokohama, was joined in February by Carol and the three children. Expect to return home next June. Ralph Young is in Tokyo (an aide) and so is Wickert, who is acting more or less as a "Grover Whalen" for General Clark. Rosie Rumph somewhere near with the 40th AAA Brigade. P. G. Curtin (with wife) is S-2 of an AA Bn. at Tachikawa. Also there at Tachi are Emmy Lou and Ralph Scott and twin boys. John Brier stopped by on way to Korea as did Bernie Rogers. The deCamps expect to see Bernie again as he left all his dress uniforms with them.

Sonny Griffin stopped to see the Youngs on his way to Korea.

A card from the Pletts shows them still in Japan but expecting to return Stateside this summer. Ed O'Connor is at Johnson A.F. Base near Tokyo.

From the local group I have picked up some odds and ends from hither and yon. Ed Curcuru saw George Newman and Harry Reeder (both from 82nd Airborne) here at the Pitt game. John Buyers, released from Valley Forge General Hospital, has been visiting brother-in-law Clare Farley and is now off for Ft. Belvoir. Steve Gordy saw the following at the Georgia Tech game: Bud Bolling (Tac Dept at Benning), Teague Harris and Tim Ireland (from Maxwell Field), and others mentioned elsewhere. Ernie Price reports that Steve Sherrill, presently assigned to the Weapons Evaluation Board is scheduled to attend the next course at Maxwell.

Jesse and Jane Fishback added number four to the next generation on November 10. The D/A apparently took note for Jesse made Lt. Colonel on a December list—double congratulations.

While on the subject, Ralph Jones and Peter Ryan added silver leaves recently. There are probably others that should be noted but somehow I can't keep up with the changes.

"Shadrach" and Lucy Anne Easley announced the arrival of Preston W., Jr., about two months ago. Shad is in France and Lucy Anne's address is Box 19, Jefferson City, Tenn. She is waiting to join him.

Local president Gordy wants me to remind you about June Week. We are planning a big TENTH Reunion. So start making your plans to attend right now. As soon as you get your letter concerning the reunion and the ten-year book, sit right down and send us your reply. If you do not get your questionnaire by December 20 write us giving your address and we will send you another copy. Remember our class address here is Class of June 1943, Box 2, West Point, N. Y.

Some of the letters have been returned because of incorrect addresses. If the following will send us their present addresses we will appreciate it: Robert H. Clark, Bruce C. Koch, Harry Mazur, William M. Calnan, Frank J. Dirkes and John R. Lloyd, Jr.

That's all the news for now. Happy New Year.

—Bill Malone.

1944

Harry Grace writes from Heidleberg, Germany, where he is with P&A Division, Hq USAREUR. He finished the Advanced Course at Sill in June and went overseas in August and is now expecting Pat and two daughters in March. Harry had recently seen Phil and Lee Toon in Aschaffenburg with their two daughters and son. Had also seen Cabell, Grant and Lerch recently. Harry enclosed a list of all Army classmates now in Europe which I'll give with assignment and APO number so others may look up or write as the case may be: Brooks, 1402 Eng. Combat Bn, 46; Cabell, Hq USAREUR, 403; Callaghan, 12th Inf, 39; Ciske, 567 Hv FA Bn, 46; Cleveland, 555 Eng Combat Group, 46; Codling, 4th Eng Combat Bn, 39; Cushman, 22nd Inf, 39; Daniel, 8th Inf, 39; DeGraff, 2nd Arm Div, 42; Donaldson, 16th Inf, 1; Dondanville, 452nd AFA Bn, 46; Erickson, 85th Ord Bn, 46; Grace, Hq USAREUR, 403; Grant, 7th Army Hq, 46; Hennessey, 12th Inf, 39; Ken-

dall, 599th FA Bn, 9; LaMarre, 39th Eng Constr Group, 164; Lerch, Hq USAREUR, 403; Mangan, 45th AAA Gun Bn, 46; Martin, 532nd MI Serv Bn, 46; Moulis, 66th CIC Det, 800; O'Brien, 7th FA Bn, 1; O'Donnell, 7710 USAREUR Eng School, 172; Partridge, 2nd Arm Div, 42; Pearce, 43rd Div Arty, 112; Pickens, Hq USAREUR, 403; Robinson, 7815 SCU, 178; Routh, 95th AAA Gun Bn, 46; Sheffield, 5th Corps Arty, 79; Smith, S. M., 15th Constab Sq, 46; Spalding, 7824 SCU, 154; Steel, 485 Combat Eng Bn, 46; Steinhardt, 45th Eng Constr Bn, 403; Tkacik, 7812 SCU, 227; Toon, 32nd FA Bn, 1; White, G. O., 453rd Repl Co, 46; and White, J. T., 7964 Hq Group BASEC, 21.

Only ones in the above list of whom I've received direct news (author unknown) are John Donaldson, who is S-1 of 16th Infantry in Schweinfurt, Jim O'Brien, who is Exec of the 7th FA Bn working with the 16th Infantry, Jack Hennessey, who is S-3 of the 12th Infantry and Charles Daniel, who is S-3 of 8th Infantry. Donaldson was previously S-3 of 1st Bn of 16th Regt when his Bn made the highest score in the Theater during summer Battalion tests.

Had a nice letter from Art Hyman, who ended up in Korea after supposedly being sent to Siam. Art went over as aide to General Cleland and is now S-3 of 223rd Inf. Dot and the children are still in Columbus, Ga. With his letter Art sent news of those now in the East: Paul Kutchinski is S-1 of 223rd Inf; Bill Tuttle is a company commander in 160th Infantry and Frank Mahin is Plans Officer of 40th Division. "Doc" Hayward is on Formosa as an airborne adviser and is expecting Margaret and the children to join him soon.

Had a note saying Jim Lynch, retired, is in the process of finishing medical school near Melbourne, Australia. Jim is married, has two children and would like to hear from anyone at 29 Hamel St., South Box Hill, Victoria, Australia.

Bob Rodden, Norm Shepard and John Carlson are taking advanced schooling at University of California, Berkeley, and can be reached through the ROTC unit there.

Jim Cumberpatch writes of his new job as Chief, Production Branch, with Lockheed Aircraft at Burbank, Calif. (home address: 14248 Hamlin St., Van Nuys). The San Fernando Valley weather is "heaven", and that together with the interesting job plus flying some acceptance flights on new jets seems to make for one person well-satisfied with an assignment. Jim and Mary have three boys, from three weeks to six years. He had heard some Air Force news which I'll pass on: George Brown at MacDill flying B-47's; at Wright-Patterson are Ingersoll in ARDC guided missiles, Dusty Rivers as aide to Gen. Rawlings, Reeves as electricity instructor in USAF Institute of Technology, Pardee in procurement division of AMC; Mullin, Deakin and Monihan with USAF Inst. of Tech., and Paul Jones there also with assignment unknown. Bill Bradley is also at Wright with procurement division of AMC and Red Aldrich is in and out with his job with General Motors since retirement some time ago.

John "Shady" Lamp writes from Stanford University, where he is with the AF ROTC program. He and Cynthia are in the Palo Alto phone book (710 Matadero Ave.) and would like to see or hear from some of you. "Shady" reports that Lloyd Pugh is with AF ROTC at San Diego State College, Bob Brotherton at Travis flying B-50's, and Bill Miller, civilian, is at Stanford working toward an advanced degree in Biology.

Note from Roy Bahls from Lockbourne AFB, Columbus, where he has been since July. Wife and children are with him.

Was previously at Mather and Ellington taking 1025 training. Roy had seen "Hopp" Symons, who is also at Lockbourne, and Bradley and Shoemaker who are at Wright-Patterson.

Curley Jackson is also at Columbus, having been assigned as ROTC instructor at Ohio State since July after a tour in Korea with 15th FA Bn of 2nd Inf Division. Curley is still single, lives at 518 E. Town, Apt. No. 620.

L. S. Norman married Joan Jay Asensio, daughter of Maj. Gen. Asensio, USAF, at the Ft. Myer chapel on November 28. Bill Steger and Tom Mahoney were ushers. Others in D.C. not listed in last column are Ken and Barbara Cooper and Bob Ginsburg. Betty Wear and Audrey Smith are living there while husbands George and Lee are in Korea. Holding down the home front at West Point are Pat Grace, Eleanor Carter and Anne Phillips.

"Spike" Geltz and "Doc" Boutwell are at Air Command and Staff School, Maxwell Field.

Heard that Rog Hemphill and Larry Clayton have made Lieutenant Colonel. John Moore made L.C. while in Korea but reverted to Major when tour of duty ended.

Information on activities of classmates has been coming in better of late but do wish more of you would write in. Of course, I make no attempt to answer all letters except through this column but I enjoy hearing from you and being able to pass along any information you have. Several have sent in notes to *Assembly* at West Point, which is fine. These are forwarded on to me but I do wish you would sign these letters so I would know who they come from. Let me hear from you at 1748 Vinton, Memphis, Tennessee.

—Buford Norman.

1945

A big UGH to and from Oklahoma Indian country. The smoke signals have been coming in loud and clear as to the whereabouts of all braves, and squaws plus a few little puffs for papooses so we won't go on the warpath with you this time. Just add keep it up.

Let's start from right here at Sill and then go on to the civilized places. We gave a rather full report on the permanent party here a few columns ago. Not much change in that except for Jim and Fairb Maris, who are no longer here, Jim having left for Korea. But there is a large new group here now, members of the Artillery Advanced Course. Now adjusting batteries and plotting points in various classrooms are Hap Argo, Bert Bailey, Bob Burgess, Bob Dingeman, Jim Elkey, George Garman, Jim Harrington, Rusty Heilbronner, Al Jones, Bob Marriott, Mac McAlister, Ken Scurr, Bill Vinson, Bill Wolfe, Bob Zeidner, and Jim Zeller. Though being a student consumes large chunks of one's waking hours, we have been able to visit and party with some of these. For instance we had a delectable Thanksgiving dinner with Hap and Jane Argo. Have not previously introduced Jane to the column so here she is, a most attractive addition with a captivating Irish accent. Down in Lawton there is one block that is pretty well dominated by '45, for there the Baileys, Vinsons, Heilbronners, and Dingemans live side by side. They all gathered recently at Bill and Margaret's for a party in honor of their respective parents who had come out to see their first grandson, born October 1. At the Heilbronner's next door is another little

stranger, Janet, born in late November. Our sympathy to Bert and T. Lou Bailey, who lost their baby daughter shortly after birth on October 19. At a most enjoyable party at George and Bunny Garman's we had a nice visit with Dick and Joanne Carns, our first since Japan in 1948. Dick has already been here for over a year and is staying on with the Department of Observation. A very capable instructor. Incidentally Bunny is continuing with her radio script writing from here. Another very capable person. Ain't no flies on George either; spending his free time on the golf course, as usual. At a First Cav Div reunion just last night were the Elkeys, Vinsons, Baileys, Ken Scurr, and Bob Burgess. Lil Elkey still one of the Class beauties, Jim one of its most capable officers. Bob Burgess will be half of a news item during the Christmas holidays at an announcement party up in New Jersey. Hope to be on hand to meet the prospective new member. Another new addition here came to Al and Joanne Jones, a daughter. And another one has joined Tom Marriott, a wife. From certain "indications" we should have several other "little items" for the next column.

Sill being one end of the Artillery Axis, let's skip down to Fort Bliss, the other. A very nice letter from Bill McNamee down there extended the offer to help find housing for those classmates whose wives were accompanying them down for the six weeks Bliss sub-course. Bill also tells us we can expect to be entertained there, a nice gesture much appreciated. We have not yet been able to organize anything here. Bill also gave us a run down on the contingent already at Bliss. It includes Lei and Bob Fye, Don and Diane Kohler, Sylvan and Jane Salter, Rich and Peggy Haley, the Ray Clarks, the Ray Cavannas, Andy Favrets, John Fergusons, Tom Gleasons (Haven't seen Tom since Japan), Bob Manns, Ed Melansons, Johnny Nacys, Pat Powers (Look forward to meeting Mrs. Pat), Bill Reidy, Al Roth, George Smith, Carl Steinhagen, and Bill Stuckey; in all 38 husbands and wives and 22 kids. Prospect of seeing them all makes the Bliss trip more attractive than ever. Before we leave Bliss though, will go into some detail on those statistics. For this news, thank you Ray Cavanna. Arrivals: a boy to the Stuckeys; a boy to the Dick Cranes; and a boy to the Cavannas. Bob Mann was to have been married to Shirley Van Studdiford in September; however we have no follow up on this. So much for Bliss.

Our most remote outpost at this point is probably Thule, Greenland, where Lou Gingras is now working with a branch of Army Engineers on some high level construction project. Doesn't say whether his wife and three kids are with him. Ted Wagner wrote a note from Oak Ridge to ask for some addresses but didn't include any news of himself. He did tell us that Bill Moran is now at the Reactor School there at Oak Ridge. Harle Damon and Bee have set up a branch at the Embassy in Oslo. And with the Military Mission in Turkey is a large group of Engineers including Stewart, McGuinness, Moore, Hughes, Shaddy, and Bo Lewis, our informant. Maybry is the latest addition to that group. Lois and Rut Rutledge put us on the map in olde England. No further details on this. John Pauley back from Korea. He and Bobby and son are living near Langley Field where Jack is Operations Officer with 3rd Bomb Group. A little volume of notes was sent in by Faye Bennet from Vienna, Virginia. Jack's Pentagon job sounds quite interesting. He is with G-1 working on Psychological Study among other things. This work took him on an extended visit to Korea. In fact he walked into the job Al Hero vacated when he went to Benning. Jack and Faye were active in

the Lightning Class Regatta at Spray Beach, New Jersey, this summer. Faye was understandably thrilled to place third in the President's Cup Series. Other news from her fat letter: Phyllis White in Newport expecting Cliff back from Korea in December. Melba Boiler keeping her home fires burning in Rolla, Missouri, while Bill is over there. Two kids with her, of course. Jack Burke off for his second tour in Germany. (How does one get that?) B.J. living with her parents in Arlington. Peggy Amos living in Nevada awaiting her overseas orders to join Harry in Austria. Had previously announced our detachment at the most unlikely of places, Annapolis, as being established by Jim Hunt, but a letter from Sam Lessey discloses that Sam was already there, as was Chick Lindsay. The Lindsays, in fact, just increased the Army population by one. Sam is interested in taking a poll of the remaining Class bachelors, so write him and add your names to his list, if you're still in the single number. He reports Puchrik at AF headquarters in the Pentagon.

Now here is an item that we hate to report. Jean and Doug Kenna are leaving West Point. Doug has decided to leave coaching and take a position with Avco Manufacturing Corporation, Crosley Division in Cincinnati. It has always seemed to us fitting that the class prexy should be a permanent resident of the home chapter; and his duties as football coach gave us an even keener interest in the Big Team. It's superfluous to point to him as among our most outstanding members, but we will add that we were always proud to answer the frequent question of one of our cadets as to whether we were a classmate of "Mister Kenna", because each time we replied in the affirmative we could thereby sense that our stock had risen a little higher in that kaydet's estimation. We have tossed a bouquet or two to Jean before, but we can't overdo it. In short let us say that next year there will be a very big slot to be filled on the AAA coaching staff, and the executives of AVCO had better begin making room at the top.

Now for news from Knox and Benning. A note from Kitch Josey informs that the Class at Benning really made an occasion of the Army-Georgia Tech game in Atlanta; rented busses and hotel space for a big fling after the game. Have reported several of the Infantry Advanced Course before. To those add Kitch and Lynn Josey, Pete Spragins, Moose Hardy, Joe Stanowicz, Bob Tansy, Bill Perry, Ben Wier, "Big Deal" Nelson, Al Hero, George Casey, Bob Tolar, Jim Herbert, George Robson, Don Rehm, Dan Prescott, Ed Pickett, Ky Murphy, Harold Wolaver, Bill Zook, and Jack Wuchter. Will expect a fuller report from one of these for the next issue. From Knox Jack Harmeling writes that Bill Stites, George Hoge, Fritz Archibald, Fred Goeth, Leonard Humphreys, Frank Kane, Leroy Shoaff, Jag Jagiello, and Jack, himself, are taking the advanced course there. Bob Hayes and Fred Einsidler are with Staff and Faculty of the Armored School. Jack completed three years ROTC duty at VPI prior to reporting at Knox. That is a nice station for Jack at this particular time since his brother is also stationed there.

Several of the Air Force classmates have been making news over in Korea lately. Am sure you have all read of Boots Blesse, Korea's "leading jet ace" who has shot down at least 8 MIGS and has flown over 250 combat missions. Then the Captain Slade Nash who recently set a new Jet super-sonic speed record was the same one who used to sit next to you in cadet classes. Seems to us that Johnny Chickering at one time set a previous record back in '48. We hear that Bill Lilley is also among the Korean Jet aces.

For those of you who may not have seen the news elsewhere, we cannot adequately express our sorrow at the news of the death of our only "Honorary Member", Bishop Walthour, who died on October 29 and was buried at West Point on November 2.

Our news from Korea comes this month from Jim Shilstone, who is with G-1 of Eighth Army Headquarters. The most welcome news of his letter was the news that Art Lozano's family in San Antonio have had two or three letters from him. Art and Hastie were on one of the POW lists released by the Communists. Shilstone expects to revert to his civilian status again shortly. Major Art Ringler also expected to be home for Christmas. Charlie Dubsky is Asst Chief of Staff of 40th Div. Art Doyle is attached to Fifth Air Force as Flak Officer. Good slot. Henry Hutcheson in a staff job with 65th Infantry Regiment. Nusbaum with 17th FA Battalion, and Jock McQuarrie is S-4 of 17th Infantry. Here is a catalogue of a few others: Major Richard Davis, 5th Inf; Blum, 7th Inf; Bealmear, 119th Inf; Jim Crowe and Charles Carter, X Corps; Tommy McCunniff and Charles Curtis, 7th Inf; Chuck Knudsen, 279th Inf; George S. Jones, Charlie Limpus, and Will Rogers with 9th Inf; Jim Root, 5th RCT; McChrystal, 25th Inf Div Headquarters; Major Bill Gardiner, KMAG; and Major Ernest Hardin and Doug Atkins with 65th Engrs. Stateside news in Jim's letter is that Norm Mallory has his Doctor's degree in nuclear physics and Dan Silverman is Assistant PMS&T at New Mexico A&M. Another Korea note: Joe Martinez also with X Corps. Finally we have here an Army press release which also includes a picture of Jim Christiansen, Bill Holcombe, and Tom Fitzpatrick. These three classmates are "newsworthy" in that they have been stationed together almost ever since they graduated from West Point. The three of them are now with IX Corps Artillery operations section in Korea. Final note: D. J. Nelson almost joined the casualty list in Korea. Lost engine in his F-84 and had to bail out over China Sea. Was shortly picked up, however, and expects to return Stateside in February. Winnie and children waiting for him in Austin, Texas.

That's all for now. It'll be after Christmas when you read this, but hope it was a nice one for all who were together and that next year will make up for this one for those of you who were not. Best Wishes to all and keep the news coming.

—Jim Alfonte.

1946

Jim Wirrick is in Korea with the 159th F.A. Batt, I Corps Arty. A few hours before Jim left for Korea in August 1952 his daughter Karen was born. He married Helene Paquet, daughter of Mrs. Leo C. and the late Col. Paquet, in Corona Del Mar, Calif., on August 19, 1950. Helene and Karen are living with Mrs. Paquet in Corona Del Mar while Jim is in Korea. He graduated from the Advanced Arty Sch, Ft. Sill, Okla., in June '52. This information was received from Jim's mother, Mrs. J. D. Wirrick, Rt. 4, Box 64, Hood River, Oregon.

In the July '52 Assembly I reported information received from an unidentified classmate. I now have a letter from Ed Jones, 552 AAA Gun Batt., APO 46, N.Y. claiming authorship of said letter. Ed, although a turnback, did rank 96 in Plebe English for a month, and he tells me he could not have forgotten to sign his letter. Anyway the mystery is now solved. Ed and Pat have another 11 months in EUCOM, as of September '52. They saw Bob Hawley

and family go aboard the ship returning them to Ft. Monmouth.

Ken Tallman married Dee Phillips of Tallahassee, Florida, on June 17, 1951. Guy Hairston, Hal Williams, Tom Langstaff, and Dick White were at the wedding. Incidentally, Tom is now serving his second tour in Ftr-Bombers in Korea. Ken and Dee have a daughter, Carol Lynn, born in April '52 at Larson AFB, Wash.

Sadly, I must report the passing of Bishop John Buckman Walthour. As you all remember he was our Chaplain of the Cadet Chapel during our days as cadets. Classmates at West Point have sent Mrs. Walthour (1021 Park Ave., N. Y.) our condolences.

Joe Park writes to tell us he is now with the Inf. Branch Career Management Division, AGO, D/A, Wash., D. C. This job caused Joe to come in contact with Colonel Dunham, father of our classmate Bob Dunham. On August 30, '52 in Korea Bob was killed in an accidental mine explosion. Bob's father told Joe the whole story. It seems some soldiers had accidentally tripped mines in a practice field and Bob, who was nearby, but not in any way connected with these particular soldiers, rushed to their aid. In trying to remove the wounded and lead the rest to safety Bob was mortally wounded by another explosion. The Soldier's Medal was awarded him posthumously. Bob's body was accompanied to the States by his brother Bill Dunham, a Captain in the 2nd Div. The funeral was held at Arlington on Friday, November 7, '52. Along with Joe Park the following classmates attended the funeral: Alex Perwich, Ken Van Auken, Cal Arnold, Tom Owen, Keith Stidham, Al Wedemeyer, Larry Miller, Sam Skemp, Murray Putzer, Harry Floyd, Milton Hamilton, and Bob Arnold. Dunham received a very traditional soldier's burial—6 white horses drawing the caisson, and honor guard, muffled drums, taps, and the final firing squad. Bob is survived by his wife, Pat, who is now living in Charlottesville, Va. Joe said he understood Bob Arnold and some other classmates at the Univ. of Va. painted the small house she is living in.

Joe reports he is now married. Last May he married Ginny, who was then a Navy nurse. He met her while a patient at the Portsmouth, N. H. Naval Hospital. They live in Apt. A-2, Millard Fillmore Bldg., Alexandria, Va., and will extend greetings to all that may pass by.

Miscellaneous information: Jim Ladd was awarded the DSC. Pat O'Neill is a Major. Ed Cavanaugh is at Belvoir Army Hospital, his wounds are healing and will not be completely disabling. Bill Evans is recovering from a bad face wound at Letterman, hopes to remain on General Service w/waiver. Bruce Bowen is in JAG 6th Army, Presidio of San Francisco. Frank Bowen is a lawyer with Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro, of San Francisco. Miller Robinson is with Guided Missiles at Ft. Bliss. So is Joe Wallace. My brother Bob France is a 2nd Lt. FA Reserve, now stationed at Ft. Bliss. Bob Smith, Dick Wildrick, Charlie Hall, Dick Pohl, Pat O'Neill, Dick Tuck, Bob Trotter, and Bill Stroud are at Sill at school or teaching. Bill Stroud is getting married soon. Dan Moriarty is now married. Roy Thurman is at OAC of S, G-4, D/A, 3E580, The Pentagon, phone Ext. 75663. He lives at Fort Myer, phone 4272. Bill and Miriam Thomasset are at the Univ. of Cal. at Berkeley and have a new son born September 18, '52, named William Rowson. They have a daughter, Cathy. George Fink went to Cal Tech. Dan Leininger to U. of Cal. George and Dan are still bachelors. Charlie Barker, Thomasset, Leininger and Bud Devens were in the last Advanced Course at Belvoir. Barker is now at MIT. Currently in present Advanced Course at Belvoir are Max Ulrich, Bob Williamson, Gov-

ernor Day, and Torrey Williams, all of whom came over from Engr. OCS.

Bob and Dori Eichenberg are now stationed at Box 1382, Craig AFB, Selma, Ala. They have 2 daughters. Bob is only permanent 1946 stationed there, although Charlie Parsons was attending 8 weeks of Pilot Instructor Sch. Bob is an instructor in Jet Upgrading. Bob wishes to report the news of those who made the Georgia Tech game. Bob, Dori, and Charlie, who is permanently at Williams AFB, Ariz., all went together. Bob wants to apologize for any he may have missed.

From Benning: Dave Brillhart, Bob Patterson, Bob Shoemaker, Bobby Richmond, Jerry Collins, John Hoefling, Kent Keehn, Cal Benedict, Charlie Fitzgerald, Rollie Desert and their wives. Also Ray Ochs and B. D. Greene. From the Air Force: Phil Fryberger, Luke AFB, Ariz.; Jim Furholem and Roy Hudspeth, Shaw AFB, S. C.; Jerry Naleid and wife, Turner AFB, Ga.; Jess Green and wife, Eglin AFB, Florida; Lou Creveling; and Guy Hairston, recovering from wounds received in combat. Tom Constant, instructor at USMA, was also present. Also, Paul Ireland, Clair Book and Rocco Petrone, assignments unknown. Civilians present were Joe Buzhardt, budding lawyer from McCormick, S. C., and Charlie Morgan, of Reading, Pa.

Returned from Korea in September 1951 to MacDill AFB, Fla., was Bill Moore. After 4 months as Aide to CG 6th Air Div he was sent to Navigator, Bombardier and Radar school here at Ellington AFB, Houston, Texas. Phil and Pat Hopkins are in the same class as Bill, which graduated on December 22, '52 at Mather Field, Calif. Bachelor George Adams is one class behind those two. I want to say I am sorry I did not know Bill and Phil were in Houston. We could have said Hi!

Marty Colladay is now here at Ellington at same school. He arrived from Biggs AFB, El Paso, Texas, in the early part of November. Marty is still a bachelor. He told me H. P. Fox married the nurse he met while stationed at Ellington last year. Spider Reed is to marry Si Hunt's sister, Phoebe. Reed is stationed at March AFB, Calif.

Bill Moore was promoted to Major in June 1951, while in Korea. He lost that when he left the FEAF in September 1951. Now he is again a Major having rec'd his second promotion in March 1952. Bill and Pat have two boys, Mike, 4, born in Panama, and Bobby born in late September or early October 1952 at Mather AFB, Calif. Bobby weighed in at 10 pounds.

I received letters written 4 days apart from Judd Schulke and Bud Devens, both going to Univ. of Illinois. Their info was in many cases the same, so I will combine their reports. Judd is in his third year of getting his PhD in EE; will finish in June 1954. He and his wife Delores have one son, Herb, age 3, and they all live at 311 Kelly Court, Champaign, Ill. Other Signal Corps men there: Bill Scharre in his 2nd year of getting a PhD in EE. Bill and Edla have one son, Danny, age 2. Jack Grady will receive his Master's degree in EE in August 1953. He and Gerry have a daughter, Patty, age 1½. The following Engineers are all there for one year to receive Master's degrees in Civil Eng.: Bud and Mary Devens, 6 Sherwood Court, Champaign, have 3 children Devvy 3, Pat 1, and daughter Mary Josephine, born October 13, '52; Wayne and Henrietta Nichols, a son and a daughter; Bill and Sug Pence, two sons, Bobby and Penny; John and Connie Sterling, a daughter Debbie; and Bob Crowley, a bachelor.

Fred and Joe Anderson, Engineers, are also there but Fred is taking a course in Structural Engineering. Al Victor, wife

Nancy, and two children, finished up there last year and presently Al is commanding an Engineer Combat Co. in Korea. As for the Air Force, there is only one there, and that's Lew Allen, who is in his 3rd year of 4 to get a PhD in Physics. Lew and Barbara have a boy and girl. Any of these men at U. of Ill. can be reached by addressing them c/o Det. No. 1, 5102 ASU, University of Illinois ROTC, Champaign, Ill.

Word from Tom Campbell shows him to be working with Whitney Chain Co., 800 Peachtree Bldg, 800 Peachtree St., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. He resigned from the Army in March 1950 and left Ft. Benning (where he lived with Bob Bradley) for Atlanta. He has been there ever since. He and his brother are living together and do have a spare bedroom with fireplace in case any classmate should wander by. Tom is in the Active Reserve as a Captain, C.E. Tom, Sam Walker and Bob Richmond, all went to the Georgia Tech game. Fred Knight is in Cartersville, Ga. He has now been married for 2 years. Tom Dillon and his wife have moved to Texas. Campbell mentioned that the Dillon's house in Atlanta burned to the ground and all their Japanese possessions were lost, as well as everything else.

Another of our civilian classmates reports his activities since when last we heard of him. George MacDonald, who resides at 1023 West Garland, Fresno, Calif., has summarized his activities since 1947. He was then working in the Public Relations Dept. of General Motors. He stayed with this Dept., lecturing on the Previews of Progress, G.M.'s science stage show, for three years, while touring the northeastern U.S. He was then advanced to a divisional post with Pontiac Motor Division. Now I quote, "Dollar for Dollar, I (meaning George) couldn't have had better breaks." You can see he knows his slogans. He was then transferred to Calif., followed by some more promotions, and now is Sales and Service Manager for the San Joaquin Valley from Stockton to Tulare. This job has been held some 18 months now.

In August 1950, George and Jean Gasset, younger sister of Wilfred, were married at Wollaston, Mass. A year later they were blessed with a girl, Deborah Caroline, who George says has become the healthiest female full-back imaginable for a one year old. The MacDonalds have just built their home in Fresno, conveniently located halfway between L.A. and Frisco. They would like anyone driving by to drop in to say hello.

Just received a copy of Guy Troy's and Phil Roger's Armor Poop Sheet for 1952. Guy has tried to name everyone. As he said he still seems to be behind on the listing of children. Guy is at Knox, where a fine party for Armor '46 was had when the new arrivals started school in September. It is said they heard the singing all over the post; well anyway, in the neighborhood of the Brick Club. I quote, "With our group getting so large and spread out I decided I needed some one to help me. So yours truly is becoming a husband and father (girl 6 year old) on December 20. Wife to be is named Wynne." Remember that's Guy Troy I quoted—Best Wishes to the newlyweds.

Here is Guy's list, showing last name, wife, children and assignment: Beckner; Donna, MT&G Dept, USMA. Dick was No. 1 in Adv Class last year. Blum; Winelda, Justin (1 yr), Social Science Dept, USMA. Burn; Mary Van, Keith (4 yrs), Nancy (1 yr), Advance Class at Knox. Burney; Mary, AFF Board at Fort Bragg. Cassidy; Adv Class at Knox. Conant; Joy, Joy Marsha (5 years), Joy Susan (3 yrs) U. of Calif. (1010 Elsinore Ave., Oakland 2, Calif.) studying Radiological (?). Day; Peggy, Bruce (9 yrs), Kevin (½ yr) Staff and

Faculty, TAS. Duncan; Lucy—?. Edwards; MT&G at the Point. Elder; Sally, Gary (5 yrs), Bonnie (3), Andy (2), Candy (½), AFF Bd No. 2 at Knox. Frantz; Suzanne, Christopher (1), Harvard Law Sch., 89 Sunnyside Ave., Arlington, Mass. Fuller; Sue, Howard Tipton (4), Page (1), Tulane U. at New Orleans, 1834 Broadway. Hanson; wife, son (3) and daughter, Math at West Point. Hardin; Jane, Douglas (2), Tac Off at West Point. Joffron; Beebe, Davidson Spriggs (2 mos), Tulane U. at New Orleans, 1507 Pine Street. Gilham; Ann, Connie (4), Gail (1 mo), ROTC at U. of Ill., 1403 Riley Drive, Urbana, Ill. Horne; Peggy, Jeanette (5), U. of Heidelberg in Germany; going to teach at WP. Knapp; Sue, studying at Princeton, International Relations; address 44B Harrison Street, Princeton, N. J. Gannon; Denise, Vinney (4), Mark (2), has a company in School Troops, Knox. Kelty; Elaine, Tim (4), Janet (3), G3 Section, 1st Armd Div, Fort Hood. Koch; Dottie, Diana (2), U. of Ill., studying Geography, 428 Fairlawn Dr, Urbana, Ill. Kopald; Donna, Mike (1), 3rd Armd Div at Knox. Lochrie; Karma, AFF Board No. 2 at Knox. Lamar; Jewell, Jewell, Andy, 73rd Tank Bn in Korea, APO 7. Martin; U. of Penn, English. Bud had things all lined up for a fine get-together after the A-N game. Miller; Nancy, same as Bud at U. of Pa. Forrest Gardens, Apt 3A, Ambler, Pa. MacMasters; Polly, Nuclear Physics at U. of Va., 119 Washington Ave, Charlottesville, Va. Matteson; Barbara, EUCOM, 2d Armd Div. Musser; Jan, Allen (2 mos), AFF Board No. 2 at Knox. Nye; U. of Princeton, International Relations; 32 Bank Street, Princeton, N. J. Otte; Betty, Adv Class, Knox. Persons; Christine, Charlotte Ann (4), Harvard Law School, 218 Jamaica Way, Jamaica Plains, Mass. Patton; Joanne, Staff and Faculty, TAS (George leaves for Korea in February '53). Roxbury; Lucy, Susan (3), Mark (1), Social Science at Columbia U., 060 Isabel Rd., Orangeburg, N. Y. Rogers; Adv Class, Knox. Richter; Barbara, Staff and Faculty, TAS. Rumney; Mary, Mason (5), Susan (1), John (3), OCS Group, TAC, Ft. Knox. Schram; Adv Class, Knox. Sinclair; Ginna, Bryan (4), Chris III (2 mo), ROTC Group, Murfreesboro State Teachers, Tenn. Simmons; Joanne, studying Social Science at Columbia, Apt 2C, 5639 Netherland Ave, NYC 71, N.Y. Stanfield; Anne, Norma (8 mos), U. of Illinois, Geography. Streiff; Marion, Ricky (5), aide to Gen. Crittenger, First Army. Traber; Peggy, teaching Social Sciences at Woo Poo. Tixier; Phyllis, Mike, aide to Gen. Collier at Knox. Treadwell; Connie, Bonnie (4), Debbie, International Relations at Princeton. Wallis; 88th Recon in Trieste, APO 209. Wilson; Hope, Mary (4), Ann (1), Adv Class, Knox. Wolf; Ellen, 2 sons, in Korea. Wheeler; Rickie, Staff and Faculty at TAS. Webb; Mary Ellen, George (2), Heather (1), International Relations at Tulane. Smythe; Marie, U. of Penn.

Address your news to Sam France, 812 N. 2nd St., Bellaire, Texas.

—S. E. H. F.

1948

Although we sometimes wonder if anyone ever reads this column some events turn up that confirm the fact that there are a few readers. For example I received a letter from John Edwards telling me about a mistake someone had made in explaining that he was at the University of Mexico instead of telling folks that he was at the University of Michigan. My apology is in order for that error. I didn't know we had anyone in the University of Mexico

either, but that was what this column proclaimed in the July issue of *Assembly*. Actually John Edwards, Wilho Heikkinen, and Bill Hayden are attending the Graduate school at Michigan University specializing in Guided Missile study. All were made Captains in June. Jay Brill is attending the Purdue Graduate School of Aeronautical Engineering, located at West Lafayette, Indiana.

If any of Chas. Coons' buddies want the address of his folks their address is: Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Coons, 2500 Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas. Coons was killed in Korea in May '51, in case you haven't already been informed.

Curley Mounger and Denny Long are currently going through B-29 school at Randolph Air Force Base. Warren Graves and wife Dotsey are stationed at Davis-Monthan AFB in Tucson, Arizona, and now have their second baby boy, born on August 5. George LaPointe is a flight school instructor at the Jet Fighter School at Williams AFB.

A note from Norm Lovejoy says that he and his wife Carolyn (not Susan, as previously reported) are at Fort Belvoir, where he is an instructor in the Engineer School. Arriving there recently from Europe were Jack Waggener, Joe Dorsey, and John Egbert, all assigned to OCS. Other guys, who I've heard are back from Europe, are Flap Capps, and John Bellinger. Plummer has extended his time for an additional year and says he sees Ed Callahan and Jim McCray fairly often. Things seem to be in good shape on that part of the Continent.

Bill Thomas finished his Master's at Northwestern in September and is now in Washington, D. C. working for G-2 at the Pentagon. He says that he is still on limited duty status but that one of his eyes is almost well and that he gets along pretty well. Larry Hoyt is attending the Marine Corps School at Quantico. Some kind of a big shot appointment or duty there and an honor for him to be selected.

Bob Pomeroy is stationed at Shaw AFB in South Carolina with his wife Carol and Bobby (one year old now). Sorry to have missed them for the Army-Georgia Tech game but know they had a good time.

Jack Osteen and Houston McMurray called me the other day on their way through Atlanta to Benning but refused to come out to the house for supper.

Woe Enderle was married to Margaretha Koch in Salt Lake City on the 12th of October. That's all of the details I have. He only sent the invitation. Monk and Virginia Doty announce the birth of a boy on November 21, 1952, out in Santa Barbara, California. Jake Pompan was married to Yvonne McCreary on the 15th of November at Dayton, Ohio. Bill Burrows was married to Patricia Huntley of Teaneck, New Jersey, in the Cadet Chapel at West Point on the 6th of September, and Bear Brennan was married in the Catholic Chapel at West Point to Anna Claire Anthis. She is a sister of Lou Anthis.

NOW HEAR THIS: This is the year of the Fifth Reunion of the Class of 1948 and as is the custom some kind of celebration is generally planned. Since there are several of the members stationed in that area, either at West Point, Columbia University or nearby vicinity, it probably would be best to let them handle the arrangements. The ones that are there are Howie Adams, Jim Macklin, Bill Burrows, and Sid Berry. A committee with those on it, if they are willing, should get the arrangements made in good shape. Probably you who are planning to attend will get word from some of them about what is in store. At least there are several months left before June Week and you can plan to attend if you so desire.

—Charley Nash,
Alderson, West Virginia.

1949

I believe that all of us who saw the Navy game feel that it was really a moral victory for Army as the Navy had by far the much stronger team (we hate to admit it). It was grand that so many of our classmates could be there for the game and I imagine the rest of you were seeing it on television or listening to it on the radio.

The following news items were received from Bob Slizeski and Jack Schultz, with whom I spent a number of hours reminiscing. Incidentally, Bob is stationed at New Castle, Delaware, flying B-26's while hauling targets for anti-aircraft practice. Jack is in this country for a few weeks on temporary duty from Germany, where he is flying F-84's. Charlie Cheever was in Europe on a 30-day leave and spent a few evenings with Ray and Mary Moss, and I understand saw many of our other classmates. Charlie is going to join the married ranks on December 27th in El Paso, Texas. The lucky girl is Sally McKinney, whom some of you know. Bill Ross, Bob Barton and Ray Clemmer are at Columbia taking courses in math., chemistry and economics. They will be instructors at West Point next year.

We are sorry to learn that Chet Truben was killed at Neubeiberg last summer in an airplane accident as he was taking off.

Harry Griffith is aide to General Bolte, CG of the Seventh Army.

The following is a list of those in Germany: Chuck Agnew, Hartinger, Steger, Hugh Mitchell, Johnny Costa, Benitez, George Smythe, Bill Gorog, Bob Littell and Keffer. Tom Marsh and Jim Rawers are in North Africa. The following are at Ft. Bliss: Stan Bush and Don Gower.

A note from the Dave Arnolds reported that they had a son, Dave, Jr. on October 27th in Berlin. Also, Hartinger, Steger and Mitchell have new baby girls.

We had a note from Fran Gable, Don's wife, saying she was being married on Thanksgiving Day to Lynwood Hesk, a Reading boy. Congratulations Fran, and may you have a great deal of happiness.

Jack Cronin, Bill Bumpus, Dave Colgan and Tom Pratt are flying B-45's in England. The Bumpus's had their second child, a boy, in July. A note from John McDonald says that he is stationed at Ohio State University as an ROTC instructor. He saw Jack Albert and Ken Roper at Michigan a few weeks ago and has seen Jim Hendricks, who was stationed at Lockbourne AFB in Columbus. Bob Nulsen was married on October 5th to Alice Diggs in Washington, D. C. Congratulations Bob.

Johnny Saxon writes that the following are flying B-26's and T-6's over Korea: Harry Spillers, Bill Schlosser, Tom Bullock, John Ike, Dave Krimendahl, Bill Dederich, Willie Gardner, Pete Ennis, Tom Crawford, Bob Orem and Joe Guthrie. Johnny Walter has finished a tour in B-26's and is now aide to General Barnes, CG of the 5th Air Force.

Stu Spragins has his own B-50 and is flying missions over Korea and we understand that Carl Arantz, who was recently married, is now flying as co-pilot on a B-29 over Korea.

The following are excerpts from a letter from Ed Hindman, who recently arrived at Ft. Benning at the Infantry Center as an instructor. Ed attended a class reunion for which he has made a report: "The Art Underwoods deserve the credit for initiating the idea and for making all the arrangements. They did a fine job in reserving a room at the club and in contacting the fairly large number of our classmates here. Present according to a roster we got up at the time of the dinner were: Art Underwood, Pat Vollmer, Gene Marder, Curt An-

ders, Charles Walz, Ernie Denham, George Tracy, Joe Kingston, Jack Thomas, Bo Callaway, Ted Marley, Reed Jensen, Charley Bunn, Earl Lockhead (all of the aforementioned with spouses) plus the following bachelors: B. J. Rountree; Dave Freeman, Snuffy Smith, Fred Deem (who is here temporarily while attending jump school) as well as Charley Byrne, who flew from Shaw Field to attend, and myself. Between courses we discussed briefly plans to get out as large as possible a representation for the forthcoming Georgia Tech game to be played in Atlanta. It was proposed that we should get together again on October 4th; since the first gathering was so successful. This motion met with good response from all. It is hoped that we can get the absentees, Buck Nelson, Ed Cave, John Hayes, Clint Norman (who, as a ranger, spends most of his time in either Florida or North Georgia), Ralph Puckett, Bob Sanders, Bob Miller, Jack Bender and Dave Whiteman for the next session. Of special interest might be the following: Charley Byrne was the only Air Force member present, but we encourage any other fly boys to drop in any time. Expectant fathers, who may have already completed their tour of floor pacing by the time you get this to press, are Bo Callaway, Earl Lockhead and Reed Jensen. A special guest at the dinner was George Millener, whom many of us remember from plebe year. He's now stationed here at Benning also. At the conclusion of the gathering the bachelors adjourned to meet in Phenix City to help Charley Byrne celebrate a birthday—one of many, according to Charley."

"When I arrived here I received a letter from Dene Balmer, who had just left Ft. McPherson and his job as aide to Gen. Biedelinder to head for Europe as a replacement artillery officer. Dene had been in the States about a year, after a tour in the Far East, before he was sent on his way. Bud Strohecker, now stationed at Belvoir, was down here with a couple of other engineer officers, to get some ideas on training methods for Korean officers."

Ken Miller stopped over-night at our house a few weeks ago after just returning from his second trip to Korea. His station is now at Ft. Bragg with the 82nd Airborne Division, now preparing for maneuvers at Pine Camp this winter.

A nice letter from Jack Bender says that he and Lottie are really enjoying married life now, as they were married just before Jack left for Korea. Jack says it is good to be back in the States; however, he doesn't regret his combat experience.

I know that some of the news I have received has not been included in this article; however, I find that time and space are running out and I shall try to include it in the next issue. Please don't stop writing as everyone else is wondering what YOU are doing.

I hope that all of you had a very happy holiday season and that most of you could be with your respective families.

—John I. Saalfeld.

1950

Now that was a fast three months, wasn't it? Let's start by re-advertising for our "CUP". For those of you who may have missed the last issue of *Assembly*, our "CUP" is now on display at J. E. Caldwell & Co. in Philadelphia just waiting for a name to be engraved on it. Jack Murphy and Ernie Thomas have made the preliminary arrangements; now it must be presented to the rightful owner. If you prospective winners will forward the vital statistics of your son to me at Qtrs. 416-B, Ft.

Belvoir, Va., I'll see that Murph gets them. He will then complete the arrangements. To date no one has claimed it.

Relatively few letters have come in this quarter so credits for this issue go to Reggie Lombard, Tom Austin, Lin Mather, Sam Smithers, Mike Walsh, Jack Magee, Joe Love, and Ray Hansen.

Reggie Lombard sheds some light on the forgotten few in Austria. He is Aide to Brig. Gen. P. L. Freeman, C.G. of all tactical forces in Austria. Bill Crist, Bob Ferguson, and Ray Lunger are there with the 350th Inf. Regt. Ray, incidentally, is returning to the States prior to a tour in Korea. With the 510th Field Artillery Bn. are Nelson Thompson and Bill Hinds. Jordie Seitz and Reggie are "the only two bachelors left and we are holding up admirably under the repeated onslaughts of Special Service girls and D/A civilians". Bully for you Reggie, and thanks for the poop.

Tom Austin, at Ft. Kobbe, Canal Zone, says that the Joe McCranes, the Jim Curtis, and the Tut Parmly's are there with their children. Dave Pettit, who recently transferred to the Corps of Engineers, is there also. Thank you, Tom.

From Camp Irwin, Calif. Lin Mather answered the call and wrote a nice long letter. He's Aiding Brig. Gen. J. C. MacDonald, C.G. of the Armored Training Center at Camp Irwin. Jack Hendry is there as a tactics instructor. Lin saw Frank Duggins, Jack Maxwell, George Vlisides, and John and Nancy Brinkerhoff at the Army-USC game on October 4. Lin, Tom Fife, Phil Sampsey, and Ed Quinn finished one, two, three, and four in that order at the Armored School last year.

Sam Smithers, writing from Ft. McPherson, Ga., got together with George Klie and Will Warren to arrange a party after the Army-Georgia Tech game on November 8. The following with their wives or dates were there: Bill DeGraf, Art Porcher, Gail Wilson, J. E. Fox, Dick Stewart, Vin Hirsh, Howie Parks, Jim Lee, Dave Hughes, Herb

Underwood, Hersh Chapman, Jack Mackmull, Fred Dickerson, and Will Hill Tankersley from Ft. Benning; Chuck Rhoads from Ft. Jackson; Walt Stanton, Ft. Campbell; and Don Sampson, Ft. Bragg. Sam says others were there but he was unable to recall all the names. Chin in Sam! and thanks for the news. Incidentally, a press release from Hq Third Army states that George Klie was recently cited for his "performance of outstanding service" as Aide to Maj. Gen. W. A. Beiderlinden, Deputy CG of Third Army. Nice work, George.

Mike Walsh says he's flying medium bombers out of Japan with Dick Cody, Rogers (either Dan or Manley — which one Mike?) and Ralph Stevenson. Jack Kulpa is operating a B-50 out of the same base.

From Suwon, Korea, Jack Magee writes that he and Ken Moll are flying F-80's. Captain Lou Page recently returned from that area. Charley Gabriel and Hank Liechty are in F-80's; Charley had one MIG to his credit as of October. How about four more Charley? In F-84's are Ralph Ritteman, Ty Goodman, Bob Hoover, Bill Miller, and Bob Willerford. At Seoul are Ray McCauley, Jim Horsley and Bob Henry. Arch Woods is armament officer in Jack Magee's F-80 outfit. Ev True, Bob Weber, and Bill Clement just left for the States. That was in October so they must be home by this time. Out of Okinawa are Charley Kuyk and Ernie Thomas (B-29's) and Norm Smedes (F-94's). Ward Hemenway is at Tachikawa, Japan. Jack adds an incidental — he was married last spring to Kay Ellis. Thanks for the coverage on the Air Force in the Far East, Jack. Joe Love, Commanding Co. "G" 5th RCT, and a Captain, sends a good deal of news from Korea. Ken Ebner has Easy Co. 5th RCT; Graham Sibbles, "B" Co. 38th Inf, was wounded and should be home by now; Mark Hanna, "L" Co. 17th Inf. was wounded on Triangle Hill and he too should be home now. Ross Franklin, CO of "I" Co. 7th Inf. got his DSC and a Cluster to the Purple Heart. We

can do without the latter. Clyde Spence was Liaison Officer with the 7th Inf. for his 110th Field Arty Bn. Joe saw Dick Lorette, Bob Ableman, and Matt Hendrickson at Pusan last September. Dave King is with Eighth Army Flight Section in Seoul. Bill Tuttle and Arnie Galiffa are working in Tokyo. Jack Lougheed, recovered from his wounds, is now with the 24th Div at Sendai, Japan. Mark Jones is CO of "K" Co. 27th Inf., Bill Bloss has "C" Co. 27th, and did a great job recently holding Sandbag Castle. Wendy Phillips is a Battery CO in I Corps. Paul Gorman won a Silver Star and Purple Heart and is now Bn. S-3 with the 32nd Inf. Don Shreve is with the 24th Div. Signal Co. John Smith has "L" Co. 223rd Inf. and Ted Seely is Commo Officer for the same outfit. Pete Schira is CO of "F" Co. 179th Inf. Shorty Adams is aiding the CG 45th Div. Warren Webster, with the 23rd Inf, recently won a Silver Star. Vic Cuneo is en route home after several months of running TLO Teams all across the line. Blackie Bolduc, Bob Grow, Hank Sachers, Bob Hetz, Jerry Schopper, and Andy Rutherford are all back in Japan with the 187th Airborne after a tour of combat. Dick Johnson is CO of "I" Co. 24th Inf. Wiley Mangum is back to duty with the 179th after having been wounded last June. Joe writes also that Lyman Hammond broke his back while jumping with the 187th in Korea. Some soldier saved his life by catching him when his chute failed to open properly. That's shaving it a bit close, isn't it? Merci, for the coverage up front, Joe.

Ray Hansen writes that he, Fred Hamlin, Bob Wilson, Bill Brandes, Pat Tisdale, and Jack Parish are in Germany with the 18th Combat Engineers. Hale Hubbard, Bruce Petree, and Bill Passmore recently returned to Berlin from a leave in France and Spain. Bob Hoisington and Boyd Bashore are in Mainz with the 2nd Armored Div. With the 1st Engineers are Rene Wolf, Dick Strohm, Russ Preuit, and Paul Triem. "Thanks" in Deutch, Ray.

Our class is well represented at Ft. Belvoir, with about 28 of us here. Ben Lewis and Eddie West arranged a Navy rally at the Club on November 22. All classes from '41 to '52 were represented, making it a big success. All but three or four of the following were there: Jim Tormey, Jack Hurst, Ding Price, Dave Carlisle, Jim Trayers, Dunc Joy, Harry Coyle, Jack Maxwell, who delivered a brilliant off the cuff talk as main speaker, Bill Read, Al Griebing, Andy Pick, Jack and Mary Wheatley, Eddie and Marcie West, Ed and Irene Stefanik, Ben and Malvene Lewis, Bob and Sue O'Connell, Emmett and Rowland Lee, Burke and Elizabeth Lee, Russ and Priss Glenn, Jack and Nancy Pigman, Art and Barbara Blair, Denny and Cyril Roush, Jack and Louise Wagner, Jim and Mary Lou Boylan, Mal and Fran Johnson, Willy and Betsy Henn, and Rose and I. Dunc Joy, Andy Pick, B. J. Leiser and I recently transferred to the Corps of Engineers. The four of us are finally getting to see some of the boys we rarely saw at WP. We know now not only that F equals Ma, but also how to apply it!!!

I saw the following at Governors Island in October: Al Jennings, who came back to the States to pick up some troops en route to Europe (Al is with the 36th Field Artillery in Germany), Bobby Gard, who is aiding Gen. Higgins our first Commandant; Joe Griffin, who was seriously wounded in Korea, but is coming along fine now; and Stan Prouty, who had just returned from a long tour on Okinawa. Stan's first step was to get married — smart boy. I was told by Lou Prentiss' Dad that Lou is in Germany with the 36th Field Artillery Group as Acting Gp G-2.

I would like to add at this point that our class has had more casualties — killed,



'50 REUNION, 7 JUNE '52, BERCHTESGADEN, GERMANY

First Row (Left to Right)—Stu Wood, Pat Zabel.

Second Row—Dick Trefry, Dick Lunger, Karl Weber, Falkner Heard.

Third Row—Herta Kunz, Pat Reese, Susanne Davis, Connie Fullerton, Mitch Hutcheson, Marlene Muller

Fourth Row—John McCleary, George Reese, Pete Mallet, George Fullerton, Philo Hutcheson, Al Breitwieser.

Fifth Row—Bess Banister (Grady is taking picture), Grace Durst, Jeanne Veatch, Betty Lodewick, Mary Ruth Hinds, Elaine Wilson, Cynthia Eastman, Margaret Thompson, Mary Ann Raney.

Sixth Row—Jay Durst, Austin Veatch, Larry Lodewick, Bill Hinds, Pat Wilson, Bob Eastman, Nelson Thompson, Jordy Seitz.

wounded, and missing. Until such time as my information is confirmed, I'll not publish names. Let's pray though, for those who have fallen.

We've had a few more Class dependents since last issue—Future Cadets went to Volney and Janice Warner, Gerry and Mary Monson, Les and Carmen Holcomb, Lois and Lloyd Darland. Wish I could publish your unique announcement, Lloyd. Future Cadet drags to Tody and Kitty Driesenstok, Lin and Jackie Mather, Tom and Dottie Fife (2nd girl), Joe and Mary Love, and Wally and Jane Nutting.

ROLL THAT SCORE — W-A-Y UP!

I closed the last column with an open invitation to those of you visiting the New York area. If you try to collect however, the occupants of Qtrs. 171-D Ft. Jay, Governors Is. may feel surprised and unprepared. You see, Rose, Donna, and I are now at Qtrs. 416-B, Ft. Belvoir, Va., so if you're in this area, please drop in. We pay off—if you can catch us!!!! Again, DON'T FORGET THE CUP. —Lou Genuario.

1951

In case anyone noticed it, our "Break the Bank" section of last issue's column was omitted due to lack of space. However, the long and short of it is that Bruce and Helen Ackerson not only went to Trieste traveling together, but they also broke the bank for \$2000 before leaving New York. Not bad for one night's work.

Several people have written to ask the location of classmates from specific companies. I don't always have the information, but I have an idea for getting it. Besides the regular news, why don't we devote the next issue specifically to the First Battalions of the First and Second Regiments. If everyone from those companies, whose permanent station has not previously appeared in *Assembly* will send it, I'll prepare a Class Locator which can be used in the future. Just the thing for an MIT lecture. Of course, this would not exclude any other news that would ordinarily be submitted.

Congratulations to Silver Star winners Hank Otten, George Orton, and Shy Meyer; Bronze Star winners Bucky Harris, and Danny Wardrop; and Air Medal winner John Tatum, who has 40 odd missions as an aerial observer.

I was very sorry to hear of the death of five of our classmates. Dick McCullough, John Storck, Coop Cooper (Roland E.), and Mjke Johnson (Maynard B.) were killed in action in Korea and Sam Lutterloh is missing in action. Aldie Sundlie was killed in an automobile accident in San Antonio. Also many of you may know Bob Penemman, Navy '51, who joined the ranks of the Infantry and was killed in action in Korea. We, the Class of 1951, would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of these our classmates.

"And when our work is done,

Our course on earth is run,

May it be said, Well done,

Be thou at peace."

Ann writes that Jim Kintz (called "Jungle Jim"—among other things) has been in Korea since May with the 40th Div. He has been chasing guerrillas back and forth across Cheju-do Island, and expected to be back at the front the first of September.

Howie Snyder ("B" Co, 179th Inf, 45th Div) was wounded July 8 while attacking an enemy position. After going to a hospital in Japan, he arrived back in Korea on August 24, after receiving the Purple Heart on August 16. Others who have been wounded are Joe Smith, Pop Harrold, Jack Stahl, Gerry Carlson, Jim Phillips, Pete Clay, Michael, Joe Knittle, Elmer Pendle-

ton, and Dick Schwarz. I saw in a recent newspaper that 25 of our Class have been hit in Korea, but these are all the details I have received.

John Derrick (300th AFA Bn) writes that he saw Dick Dawson and Carl Arnold on R&R in Japan.

Mike Simpson writes that he and Fred Miller washed out of Army Liaison Pilot School at San Marcos, Texas. Fred is now in Alaska and Mike went to jump school at Ft. Benning, later joining the 82nd Abn Div at Ft. Bragg. Ed Lukert was still there, and Doug Wainer has already graduated as an Army aviator.

Crowe says that he saw Bills, Buckstead, and Jester at an Explosive Demonstration in Korea, masterminded by none other than Bucky Harris.

From the Air Force comes the news that the boys at Randolph are undergoing transition training for the B-29. Among those present are Allen, Taylor, Reed, Croan, Veurink, Craigie, Dingman, Gordon, Hampton, Gorski, Sisson, Pat Ryan, and Roloff. (Roloff graduated from the multiengine school at Reese AFB, Texas, on September 13.) Punjab Anderson has rejoined the class in his new role as navigator. Howie Wiles went to KC-97's at West Palm Beach and Bill Barnett is at Pinecastle, Fla. for F-84 training. Whatever happened to all those other jet jockeys?

New Wives: Bill and Ann Louisell were married on the 25th of August; Mitze and Bill Thomas said their vows in El Paso (that's across the street from the Guadalupe de la Noche) on the 14th of February; Ann Thatcher and John Ballard were married on the 5th of April in Amarillo, Texas (John was graduated from Enid AFB, Okla. on the 13th of September and headed for Troop Carrier, TAC, FEAF); Pat Noah and Sel Graham said their vows in Denton, Texas sometime in February (Sel is now with the 112th Inf in EUCOM); and from a notice in the "Atlanta Journal Constitution", I see that Joe Clemons was married to Cecil Beal Russell (Walt's sister) on the 5th of September at the Fort Myer Chapel. Welcome into the Club, Girls.

She's a Darling! A girl to Joanne and John Storck in May; Karen to Chuck and Jackie Canham in June; Pamela to Fred and Marie Denman in March; a girl to Chuck and Betty Wallens in July; Dianne to Joe and Joan Lafleur, September 6; Suzanne Marie to Ken and Margaret Hite, September 8; Barbara to Al and Doris Frick, September 28; and Patricia Ellen to Jack and Mrs. Price, November 4.

It's a Boy! David to Walt and Judy Johnson, February 28; a son to Bruce and Dolly Bailey, March 8; David to Frank and Doris Sheriff, March 28; Brooke to Reb and Claudette Barber, June 11; a son to the Jack Craigies in September; Charlie, Jr. to Chuck and Sally, August 29; Lynn, Jr. to Lynn and Kathy McCrum, September 18; Frederick Gore, III, to Fred and Jean Rockwell, November 2; and Bobbie, Jr. to Bob and Betty Vincent.

To all the proud parents. Hearty Congratulations!!

It looks like Hal Shultz has finally succumbed. He and Dorothy Jean Kleinsasser of Alcoa, Tennessee, and a student at the University are to be married the 27th of December.

Again trying to be as accurate as possible, I have another breakdown on the location of classmates overseas. With the 7th Div are Steele, Russell, Markham, Gardes (all with the 17th Inf), Reed, Buckstead, Jester, Bills, Matney, and Clemons (31st Inf). With the 3rd Div are Red Lefler as aside to the Div CO and Al Lichtenberg. With the 25th Div are Villaret, Hinton, Don Norton, Foss, Perry, Hastings, St. Mary, Cousins, Lafleur, Frick, Guyer (27th

Inf), and Schooley. (Bill Schooley had the honor of preparing a layout for Anna Rosenberg's visit to his area. She didn't stop.) With the 40th Div are Kintz, Herte, Orton, Meyer, Fant, Scherierlein, Sargent, Owens, Paul Phillips (223rd Inf), and Waldman, who is Aide to the Asst Div CG. With the 45th Div are Toole, Clay, and Rupp. Lackman is in Seoul as part of Gen. Van Fleet's honor guard, and Peixotto is at Fort Davis in the Canal Zone. In Germany are Doerffinger, Jorstad (2nd Armd Div Hq), McIntosh at Frankfurt (17th Sig Opn Bn), Wallens at Stuttgart (97th Sig Opn Bn), Gardiner (321st Sig Const Bn), Knapp (29th Tk Bn), Winner and Isaac at New Ulm (110th Inf), Thorsen (Artillery), Carroll (109th Inf), Graham and Semmens at Heilbronn, Knight at Hohenfel (43rd Div), Russ Johnson at Garmisch, and in Berlin with the 6th Inf Regt are Mullins and Hyatt (Rifle Co), Ritter and Dave Phillips, (Tank Co), and Fleming in Armor. Shapiro is with the 7783rd Sig Ser Co in Verdun, France.

My new address is: Lt. A. D. Norton, 1759 Airport Dr., S. Burlington, Vt. Send your news either direct to me or to the Editor of *Assembly*. Don't forget, First Battalions, First and Second Regiments.

So long, good luck, and keep writing.

—"P. T."

1952

Having kicked off enough of the early snow here at Riley to go inside, I will mass the bits of information for the Class. Perhaps it is only facts for the most part. No longer news, in that most of the letters (?) arrived after the deadline for the October issue of *Assembly*. So that is a point to remember, meet the press at least a month early!

Enough of the "small talk", let's get to the facts. Long and loud congratulations to Jim Sullivan and Bob Kelley, both are wearing silver bars. Jim's effective October '52 and Bob's as of November '49. 'Way to go, boys!

From Ft. Riley there is word that Frank Allen, Bob Kimmel, Dick Larkin, and Gar Weed have orders for the Far East Command for the Spring of '53.

From Ft. Belvoir — thanks to Gil and Ellyn Burns—comes word that Joe Bulger has soloed down in Florida.

From Stalling Air Base, N. C. comes the good news that everyone has soloed there. J. D. Hogan being the first.

Our Best Wishes to the newly weds. Drake Wilson and Ann Hofford of Wakefield, R. I. were married on October 20 at the Academy. Don Swygert was the best man, Harry Wilson and George Relyea were ushers. After the wedding the Wilsons traveled South to Ft. Hood, Texas. Bob Harasymowicz and Marie Scharfenstien of Long Island were married November 8 in New York. Bill Myers, Neal Lespasio and Dave Ahearn were among those swinging the sabers for Bob and Marie. Bud Jenkins and Sallee Baker were married November 29 in Battle Creek, Mich.

Hearty congratulations to all who are awaiting the new members. I will not list the names of those I have heard, they are too numerous, but do not forget to let us know when. We want to keep the records posted for the "CUP"

Bob and Jo Underhill are expected to stop by on their way to California. Bob should be in the pink, having just finished jump school.

This column is going to *Assembly* somewhat short on news. Let's start spreading the ink and get the word out to the Class. The permanent address will be 3006 Cody Road, Columbus, Ga. —"Willy."

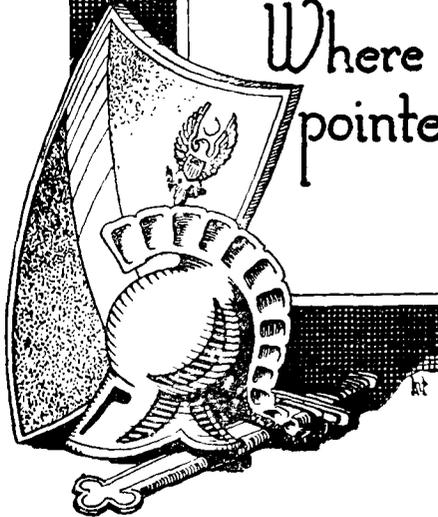
LAST ROLL CALL

Reports of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the October 1952 Assembly.

Name	Class	Date	Place
T. Bentley Mott	1886	December 17, 1952	Biarritz, France
Henry C. Newcomer	1896	December 3, 1952	Washington, D. C.
Alexander R. Piper	1889	November 21, 1952	South Salem, N. Y.
George Vidmer	1894	November 25, 1952	New York, N. Y.
Lucius R. Holbrook	1896	October 19, 1952	Presidio of San Francisco, Calif.
Albert N. McClure	1899	August 19, 1952	Ft. Bliss, Tex.
Robert P. Harbold	1904	November 11, 1952	Baltimore, Md.
Sherburne Whipple	1904	December 4, 1952	Asheville, N. C.
Henry B. Clagett	1906	November 14, 1952	Washington, D. C.
James P. Marley	1907	November 27, 1952	Washington, D. C.
Hugh P. Schively	Ex-1912	October 23, 1952	Yountville, Calif.
Richard B. Paddock	1914	September 22, 1952	Glendale, Calif.
Richard C. Stickney	1915	December 14, 1952	Stoneham, Mass.
Albert C. Stanford	April 1917	November 7, 1952	Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.
Hal M. Rose	August 1917	July 5, 1952	Washington, D. C.
Edwin L. Hogan	November 1918	October 5, 1952	Washington, D. C.
Elmer V. Stansbury	November 1918	November 2, 1952	Bay Pines, Fla.
Edward O. McConahay	1924	November 6, 1952	New York, N. Y.
Arthur S. Peterson	1925	October 3, 1952	San Jose, Calif.
Branner P. Purdue	1925	November 27, 1952	Washington, D. C.
John J. LaPage	1929	September 29, 1952	Washington, D. C.
Aubrey D. Smith	1930	October 4, 1952	Tokyo, Japan
William H. Isbell, Jr.	1931	October 14, 1952	Korea
Loren G. DuBois	1946	September 19, 1952	Korea
Thomas F. Casserly, III	1950	October 1, 1952	Korea
James R. Pierce, Jr.	1950	June 16, 1952	Korea
John L. Weaver	1950	September 6, 1952	Korea
Richard R. McCullough	1951	July 18, 1952	Korea
Louis J. Storck	1951	October 6, 1952	Korea
James E. Parker, Jr.	Ex-1952	November 17, 1952	Near San Angelo, Tex.

In Memory

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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BONFOEY, W. T., JR.	1950	OCTOBER 29, 1951	56
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DUNWOODY, H.	1905	SEPTEMBER 2, 1952	50
FOLTZ, F. S.	1879	AUGUST 28, 1952	47
GAY, H. R., JR.	1946	AUGUST 10, 1952	55
HAMILTON, R. L.	1891	APRIL 16, 1952	48
MOORE, W.	1910	JANUARY 15, 1952	52
MOSS, W. H.	1909	JULY 6, 1949	51
PIPER, A. R.	1889	NOVEMBER 21, 1952	47
ROGNER, H. E.	1938	DECEMBER 18, 1951	53
SOHN, B.	1944	JUNE 11, 1951	54
TUCKER, F. B.	1946	SEPTEMBER 29, 1951	55
UPHAM, J. S.	1903	JULY 5, 1952	50

Frederick Steinman Foltz

NO. 2774 CLASS OF 1879

DIED AUGUST 28, 1952, AT WASHINGTON, D. C.,
AGED 94 YEARS.

In 1879 when Second Lieutenant Frederick S. Foltz was graduated from the Military Academy, he joined his regiment, the 1st Cavalry, on the frontiers. The grass had hardly covered the shallow graves of the cavalrymen who died in the Battle of the Little Big Horn.

In 1952 when Brigadier General Frederick S. Foltz, then the oldest living graduate of the Military Academy, died in Walter Reed Hospital our frontiers had passed the plains and the mountains and leapt two oceans. More recent graduates were pushing their patrols forward in Korea and masses of American armor were maneuvering in Germany.

It was his constant awareness of the importance of the present, his eagerness to anticipate the future and his refusal to live in the past which, perhaps, chiefly distinguished General Foltz. Or perhaps it was his insistence on forceful action. "Make up your mind and then *do it!* Mistakes are



forgiveable. Inaction never!" Coupled with these qualities was a supreme contempt for what he called "Red Tape", for the person who lived by the book, for the fellow-officer who waited for "authority" before he did what it was evident must be done.

These qualities made him a fine officer and especially a fine cavalry officer in the days when walkie-talkies were unknown and decisions of life and death had to be made without reference to "higher authority". But when such trouble developed he shrugged it off. On one such occasion he said to me "My friends and the good officers in the Army will know I was right—the others don't matter"

And his friends were legion. While still a lieutenant he attracted the attention of General Nelson Miles. So General Miles sent him into Cuba as his personal observer and he took part in the landing at Siboney. During the First and Second Occupations of Cuba he was Captain of the Port of Havana, organized and headed the Cuban Constabulary and was Governor of the Province of Havana.

Once a breathless officer reported to the Governor that a riot had broken out in a provincial town. "Don't worry," said the Governor, "Foltz and his Constabulary will be there in half-an-hour." He was, and the riot was over. Recruited from the pick of

Garcia's guerillas, with no uniforms but an insignia pinned on their straw hats, almost unarmed except for their machetes and mounted on their own horses, his Constabulary boasted a high morale with the rallying cry of "Arriba, arriba a machete!" They succeeded in establishing a rule of law and order which went far toward making possible the first peaceful elections in Cuba.

In the Philippines he met the Moros, whom he admired and respected as fine fighting men. He always respected the fighting man. I have heard him say that the Indians were nearly always right and that he disliked being ordered out to fight both the Sioux and the Apache. In his own words the Sioux were the "finest light cavalry the world has ever known". And then he chuckled and said "Except perhaps Casey's Scouts of the First Cavalry. And they were Blackfoot"

General Foltz always had a keen interest in finding better weapons, better equipment and better mounts.

His interest in better cavalry horses led to his selection as the officer in charge of the Army Teams sent to the Coronation Horse Show in London in 1911 and to the Olympic Games in Stockholm in 1912. Generals Patton, Henry and Lear rode on those teams as lieutenants.

But his love for the horse did not blind him to the changes which were taking place in weapons and other materiel. As a boy I can remember him discussing with other cavalry officers the need for more and better automatic weapons. This was in 1912.

With the development of armor he was quick to realize that the horse was becoming obsolescent for many purposes, and I know that he took great pride in the fact that both General Chaffee and General Patton, who commanded our first armored divisions, were old cavalymen and had served as his subalterns.

Along with this was the very human side of General Foltz—his great consideration for others and his unfailing courtesy to both his seniors and juniors. With the help of his wife, May, he showed special consideration to the wives and families of his command. Mrs. Foltz, born and bred in the Army, had shared the rough days on the frontier with him. She had ridden her mare with the wagon train across the Rocky Mountains when the regiment was changing station. She had waved a laughing goodbye when he led his troop to the Wounded Knee campaign, or to hunt the Apache, or to embark for Cuba. "He has never seen me cry" was her boast to the younger wives when they waved goodbye to the 91st Division, embarking for France in 1918. Brave men deserve brave wives, and many a young Army wife learned that lesson from Fred and May Foltz and shared the devotion of her soldier husband for them both.

He was a good disciplinarian, but he was fair and kind. He reprimanded a sentry and then sent all of his own mince pies to the soldier when he came off post, because it was Christmas Eve. He led his squadron on a fifty-mile forced march to "let them know they were troopers" and then gave the whole outfit, except the duty roster, extra passes "so they could go in town and boast about it"

He lived by the rule that loyalty must work from the top down as well as from the bottom up. Throughout his career he made himself a buffer between the higher command and his unit, whether a troop in Montana or a brigade in France. He defended and accepted responsibility, not only for his own decisions and actions, but also for those of his junior officers when he believed they were right and reasonable. He never equivocated, he never tried to shift responsibility. He feared no man.

His friends in the Army spanned three generations, from General Nelson Miles through General Leonard Wood to General

Jonathan Wainwright. Friends, too, were Walter Reed, Buffalo Bill and Frederic Remington, who illustrated an article which Lieutenant Foltz wrote for *Harpers Weekly*. He met King Gustav of Sweden and George V of England. Sioux Chiefs gave him gun-cases and riding quirts. Old trumpeters and stable sergeants came to see him years after he had retired. So did Colonels who had served under him and Generals who had been his Lieutenants and Captains. He never knew why but *they* did. It was because, in the words of Colonel E. Alexander Powell in dedicating his book "Slanting Lines of Steel", General Foltz was "a gallant soldier and a great gentleman".

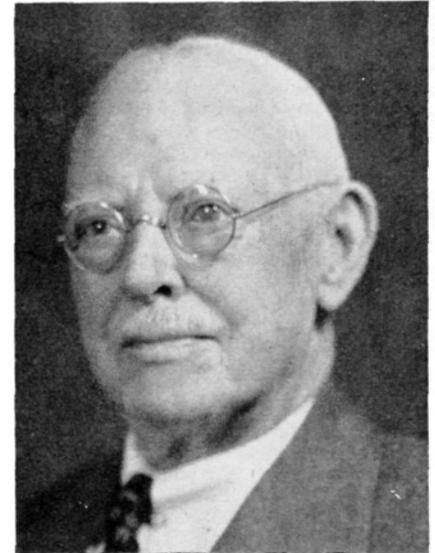
—Frederick S. Foltz,
Colonel, A.G.D. Reserve.

Alexander Ross Piper

NO. 3310 CLASS OF 1889

DIED NOVEMBER 21, 1952, AT SOUTH SALEM,
NEW YORK, AGED 87 YEARS.

He was born at Fort Wadsworth, S. I., New York, on March 1, 1865. His father, Captain James W. Piper, was at that time



Regimental Adjutant, 5th U.S. Artillery. His mother was Sarah Van Dyke Ross.

His early childhood days were passed at various Army posts, but principally at Fort Hamilton, New York Harbor, Columbia, S. C. and Fortress Monroe. Upon his father's death in 1876 he went to live with his uncle, Alexander Piper (late Colonel 5th U.S. Artillery) at West Point, N. Y. There he remained until 1881, when he went to Carlisle, Pa., to live with another uncle, W. K. Piper. He remained in Carlisle until appointed a cadet at the United States Military Academy in 1885. While at Carlisle he attended the public schools, and was employed in his uncle's stationery store when not in school.

He was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Congressman Singhiser of Idaho, and entered June 9, 1885. He was graduated June 12, 1889, standing 29 in his class. As a cadet he held the various offices of Corporal, Sergeant and Cadet Lieutenant of Company A. With the Academic Course he had little trouble so far as the mathematical studies were concerned, but the languages and memory studies kept him up late at night.

Upon graduation he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, 8th U.S. Infantry, with station at Fort Robinson, Nebraska. While at Fort Robinson he married, June 24, 1890,

Marie S. Cozzens, who was born at Schoolies Mountain, N. J., September 7, 1868. Her parents were Sylvanus Thayer Cozzens and Susan Wilson Cozzens.

From October 1890 to February 1891 he was in the field in command of Company C, 8th Infantry, during the Sioux Indian War, and had charge of the defense of the Ogallala School at Pine Ridge Agency. At the close of the Sioux Campaign he was transferred to the 2nd Infantry, with station at Fort Omaha, Nebraska.

From June 1, 1892 to June 20, 1896 he served as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Gordon Institute, Barnesville, Ga. July 16, 1896 he was promoted First Lieutenant, 15th Infantry, with station at Fort Sheridan, Ill. After nine weeks' stay his regiment was transferred to Fort Bayard, N. M., and he remained there until the shifting of troops incidental to the disturbances in Cuba sent his company to Fort Apache, Arizona, in April 1898.

On February 7, 1897, while on duty at Fort Bayard, N. M., he lost his right arm from a gun-shot wound. On March 15th he returned to duty and performed active duty until retired from active service after the Spanish War.

At Fort Apache, owing to the scarcity of officers, he was Post Adjutant, Commissary, Canteen Officer, Company Commander, and finally as a last straw, Post Surgeon. The hospital steward was a German devoid of humor, and started to obey literally his instructions to give all patients that reported at morning hospital call a dose of castor oil. His attention was called to the steward's falling when a corporal who had a broken leg protested.

On May 14th he was relieved from his various duties at Apache by an order appointing him Captain and Commissary of Subsistence of Volunteers with orders to report at Chickamauga Park. At Chickamauga he was assigned to the Second Brigade, 1st Division, 1st Corps, and as the Division Commissary had not been appointed he performed his duties.

On July 26th he departed for Puerto Rico via Newport News. The loading and rationing for forty days of 6,600 troops in thirty-six hours at Newport News was still fresh in his mind as the thermometer registered 126 degrees under the metal sheds on the docks.

His Brigade, (Hains's, 4th Ohio, 4th Pa., and 3d Ill.) was landed at Arroyo, P. R., August 3d, and with little resistance pushed on to Guayama. October 21st, he was assigned as Depot Commissary at Ponce, and there made the pleasant acquaintance of the 1st Engineers. Through their amiability and engineering skill he finally secured a Commissary store-house that was a joy. That it was well built was proven by its trip to sea intact when the flood came in the Spring. He still holds and prizes the certificate given him by General Griffin the night the 1st Engineers sailed for home, stating that the Commissary Department had given his regiment its full rations and all the money called for by the Regimental Surgeon for the purchase of delicacies for the sick.

Owing to illness, he was ordered to New York at the end of January. He left Ponce with the thermometer at 105 degrees and arrived in New York to find the thermometer discouraged and down to 9 degrees below zero, February 9th. He was assigned to duty in New York City as Purchasing Commissary for Transports, and so served until he was promoted Captain of Infantry and retired from active service, July 11, 1899.

Upon his retirement from active service, he received the Silver Star Citation for "Gallantry in Action", August 8, 1898, at Guayama. He entered commercial life, first with the Seamless Metal Ware Co. as man-

ager, and then for a short time was manager and treasurer for the Mobile Company of America and treasurer of the Cosmopolitan. With the advent of the Low Administration, he was appointed Superintendent of Final Disposition, Department of Street Cleaning, City of New York, and so served until October 21, 1902, when he was appointed Second Deputy Police Commissioner. During his incumbency he installed the "Block System", "One-Way" street traffic; and the use of mounted police in regulating traffic. The "Block System" is now used in cities all over the world.

On January 1, 1904, Tammany returned to power, and his services were no longer required.

At the solicitation of the City Club of Chicago, he made an investigation of the Police of Chicago, and since then all investigations in Chicago have been dubbed "Piperizing". A similar investigation of the Police of Schenectady was made by Captain Piper, assisted by Honest Dan Costigan. During the investigation the Chief of Police died of a heart attack (?), and the Chief of Detectives disappeared.

March 2, 1904 Piper became General Superintendent of the American Railway Traffic Co., a subsidiary of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. and subsequently President and General Freight Agent of the South Brooklyn Railway Company. He was President of the South Brooklyn Railway Company for 24 years and also in charge of the Medical and Welfare Departments of the Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Corp. He was retired with pension, July 1, 1940 by the S.B.Ry.Co. and B.-M.T. Corp.

At the outbreak of World War I, the S.B.Ry.Co. and the B.-M.T. Corp. gave him a leave of absence with full pay and on April 11, 1917, he was recalled to active duty and assigned to the New York Quartermaster Depot to examine 500 candidates for commissions in the Q.M. Corps. He was appointed Finance Officer of the Depot, August 15, 1917 and promoted Lieutenant Colonel, March 5, 1918; advanced to Colonel, May 25, 1918, and relieved General Slavens in command of the New York Depot. Under a new reorganization of the Q.M. Corps, he was appointed Port Supply Officer of the New York Depot, July 10, 1918, and October 24, 1918 he was transferred to Newport News as Port Storage Officer, Q.M. Corps, Port of Embarkation, Newport News.

December 9, 1918, he was transferred to the Port of Embarkation, New York as Port Utilities Officer.

Upon his own request, he was Honorably Discharged as Colonel, Q.M.C., N.A., January 11, 1919, and reverted to his former status on the Retired List as Captain of Infantry.

Upon completion of his tour as President of the Association of Graduates, U.S. Military Academy, 1934-1936, he was honored by a Resolution, passed by the Association, commending him for his service as President. On June 13, 1938, the Association passed a Resolution commending a committee consisting of Colonel Alexander R. Piper, Chairman, General Charles McK. Saltzman and General Charles D. Rhodes for their success in having Congress pass a law bestowing upon all living graduates and future graduates of the United States Military Academy the degree of Bachelor of Science.

His children are: Marie Adelaide, born May 31, 1891 at Fort Robinson, Neb.; Alexander Stanley (deceased February 1895) born August 13, 1893 at Barnesville, Ga.; Marjorie Wheaton, born December 14, 1894 at Barnesville, Ga.; Anne Alexandra (deceased February 21, 1945) born September 8, 1896 at Fort Sheridan, Ill.; Emily Cozzens, born March 31, 1901 at Ossining, N. Y.; and Alexander R. Piper, Jr., born August 24, 1909 at Brooklyn, N. Y.

He was the great great grandson of the Reverend Colonel John Elder, "Fighting Parson of Pennsylvania", and Mary Simpson; the great grandson of Samuel Elder and Margaret Espy; the grandson of Alexander M. Piper and Anne Espy Elder; the son of Captain James Wilson Piper (5th U.S. Artillery) and Sarah Van Dyke Ross; the great grandson of Col. John Piper (of Piper's Fort near Bedford, Pennsylvania) and Catharine E. Lusk; the great grandson of Lieut. Francis Nathaniel Berrier, U.S. Military Academy, 1815, and Sarah Van Dyke; the grandson of Lieut. Edward Coke Ross, U.S. Military Academy, 1821, and Catharine Van Dyke Berrier; and the nephew of Alexander Piper, Col. 5th U.S. Artillery, U.S. Military Academy, 1851, and Adelaide Cozzens.

He was a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, 1889; a member of the Society of Colonial Wars; member of the Sons of the Revolution; member of the Society of Indian Wars; charter member of the West Point Society of New York; an Association member of the Association of the 1st Regt. Volunteer Engineers; and a member of the University Club, New York City. He resided at South Salem, New York.

—A. R. P.

Editor's Note: This article was prepared by Colonel Piper and sent to the Association of Graduates on June 25, 1951, with his remark that "The enclosure is intended for the Assembly when I am given an indeterminate leave of absence in a pine box", subject to being edited. It may save some old codger a headache trying to find out who that fellow Piper was". Assembly respectfully, but sorrowfully, complies with one of the last requests of this distinguished member of the Long Gray Line.

Robert Lee Hamilton

NO. 3421 CLASS OF 1891

DIED APRIL 16, 1952, AT SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, AGED 85 YEARS.

We all reported at the Academy in the sunny days of 1887. These were days of prosperity throughout the land and eminently peaceful. A few turbulent Indians infested our frontier; but otherwise all seemed calm. We were the earliest class to report with every one of the class born after the close of the War Between the States.

It appears we began to know all the class after we returned from plebe camp and began the academic work. Hamilton was always kind, patient, and a good working member of our '91 group.

Many of us never knew where he acquired the nickname of "Fake". Nicknames are considered a sign of good fellowship, and names that held for a lifetime were often acquired from some very slight circumstance. He was decidedly the opposite of a fake; no man could be less a fake than he. He was always just the man he appeared to be. With other Hamiltons in the Corps, a nickname was acquired more readily and stayed more fixedly in order to distinguish him from other Hamiltons. A majority of class members had nicknames and almost all originated on some joke on the recipient.

Our first year had a bright spot in the visit of Henry Irving and Ellen Terry, the best actors of the time. They kindly came to West Point with their troupe and gave the Corps the play "The Merchant of Venice". One event that marked this in our memory was the great blizzard of 1888. This was the historic storm that was important enough to be featured in the newspapers on March 1948, sixty years afterward. There

was just time to shovel the snow away and make the roads passable for the visit of these famous actors. Many of Shakespeare's plays have a clown and the clown in this play gave a lasting impression, not eclipsed by the high talent of the leading actors.

One Saturday evening Mark Twain gave a reading before the Corps. He was one of the greatest humorists of all time.

General Sherman spoke a number of times during our four years of cadetship. He had an offhand way of speaking and his addresses with a moderate amount of humor have been to many of us a pleasant recollection of cadet days. The members of our class were hoping that General Sherman would hand us our diplomas, but destiny decreed otherwise. In March of graduation year, we marched in New York at his funeral.

In all the pleasant events of the four years, Cadet Hamilton took a lively interest, and maintained the same kindly manner which was his natural way. Hamilton roomed with Fleming and this was a combination of genial associates.

But finally the four years of cadetship drew to a close. Honorable Redfield Proctor, Secretary of War, handed us our diplomas; and soon we were in citizen clothes, walking down the hill to the boat or the railroad station. The play we saw in New York that evening was one in which DeWolf Hopper and Della Fox were the principal actors. As with other classes, graduation brought about an entire change in the surrounding circumstances with us—the former cadets.

The writer saw Hamilton as an officer when we were on duty in the mining strike in Idaho in 1892. In these disorders the Governor of Idaho saw that his power was unable to keep order by depending on the State alone; he requested the President in Washington to send troops. This is where the Regular Army came into the scene. This was in the Coeur d'Alene district and some of the troops during this trouble were encamped at Wallace, Idaho.

When the Regulars arrived, the people seemed to have been in a state of terror. There had been severe clashes with the non-union men, and many in the town seemed very wary about expressing themselves.

After the regiment had been encamped a few days, the active work began. A company marched down into town, and with a civilian to identify the culprits, one hundred and fifty men were arrested and put in the center of the company, which was the guard. Later the company marched back to camp and the prisoners were put in a place of detention. This was a house and a good sized new barn. The prisoners were confined in these buildings during the night and in the day they were allowed the use of the large yard. Sentinels were placed around this enclosure with orders, of course, to shoot any prisoner attempting to cross the sentinel post.

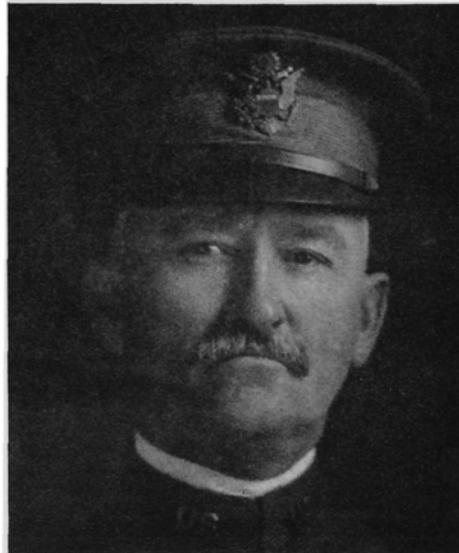
The climate varied much during each twenty-four hours. At midday the thermometer ran high and those not on duty found the shade of the tents very welcome. The sun set behind the high mountain range at 4:00 P.M., and in a few minutes we could feel the cool air pouring down from the high hills. By eight in the evening we were in overcoats standing around the camp fire to keep warm. But altogether it was a fairly good summer climate.

This work lasted more than two months. Toward the end of this time, the military authorities received orders to send the prisoners with a detachment of soldiers to appear before a local court, which fixed the bail for each prisoner. The amount of the bail differed for various individuals. Two prisoners were placed at very high bail,

and the military authorities were worried because these charged with high crime were kept with the others, whose bail was light.

Finally, all the prisoners had been bailed out or turned over to the civil magistrates. Then the soldiers had a payday, so they could settle their accounts with the storekeepers. Then the individual regiments received orders to return to their respective garrisons. At this time commendation came from an unexpected quarter. A number of the former prisoners took the trouble to come back and tell the officers that they knew the regiments were under orders, and considering this, they thought the regiments carried out their orders with fairness and efficient decision. This is no attempt to give the words of the former prisoners, but this is the substance of what they said.

Whether the occasion needed tact, sternness, or discipline, Lieutenant Hamilton was there and his record was the best. This occasion brought a number of regiments together and we met some for the first time since graduation. General Ely was there and also General Bradley; all four of us, one year out from graduation, and all Second Lieutenants at the time.



The following data is taken from a summary of events of Major Hamilton's life, some being taken from sentences in *Cullum's Register of Graduates*: Robert Lee Hamilton; born in West Virginia; appointed from West Virginia; before entering West Point he attended Randolph Military School at Huttonsville in his native State; he married Bess Iler at Omaha, Nebraska; he met his future wife when he was stationed at Fort Crook, Nebraska.

His first station was at Fort Keogh, Montana; at Infantry and Cavalry School at Leavenworth, 1893 to 1895, distinguished graduate; in Europe for three months after finishing course at Leavenworth; at Frankford Arsenal for instruction in ordnance work, October 1, 1895 to October 1, 1896; with regiment at Fort Crook, November 1, 1896 to October 30, 1897; at Willets Point, 1897; joined regiment at Tampa, April 28, 1898; promoted to captain September 7, 1900; arrived in Philippines, commanding Company "I", December 6, 1900; during this time he was appointed to many details as adjutant, commissary, quartermaster, recruiting officer, signal officer; these details show that he was an efficient officer, detailed by commanding officers who wished reliable work; for his second tour of the Philippines on transport *Sheridan*, October 31st to November 28, 1903; at engagement at Romaieu River, Mindanao, January 22, 1904; retired as a captain June 24, 1907 for disability incident to the Service.

Having recorded this data it seems well to resume the story in narrative form.

At the outbreak of the Spanish War, First Lieutenant Hamilton was for a time stationed at Tampa, Florida. A large number of troops were there and we met many we had not seen since '91. Soon First Lieutenant Hamilton received orders to take station at Galveston, Texas, where he was in charge of the Torpedo Casement, Galveston Harbor. On August 20th 1898 he went on duty in Cuba where yellow fever took a decided toll in the regiment.

In August and September most of us with the regiments were on duty at the camp at Montauk Point, Long Island, where one by one the individual regiments received orders to break camp and entrain for regular garrison.

Returning from a month's leave of absence in the United States, during his second tour in the Philippines, Captain Hamilton sailed from San Francisco July 1, 1904 and arrived at Manila July 31st. In October he commanded a battalion of the regiment on an expedition against the Sultan of Dato; he was commended in the report of the Commanding Officer of Camp Marahui on this expedition "for energy and judgment in the landing of his command. To his tireless energy was due the success of troops in capturing the first Cotta."

In 1907 came the break mentally and physically, that ended his active career. Before this, those who knew him, looked forward to places of high rank and important duties for him. Such as these were the promise of early manhood, but the only answer is, "Such was not to be".

Thus ended the active part of his military career, and of him it can be truly said: "They also serve who only stand and wait" a saying of the poet, Milton, which is well deserved. Some critics have said this verse is not a general rule and applies only in rare cases; it most certainly applies in the case of Robert Lee Hamilton. When the clouds of mental and physical sickness gathered, it would seem that he received more than his share of misfortune.

He was promoted to major on the retired list in 1916. He was an invalid for a very long time, although his life passed well beyond the four score mark. In 1951 Sorley, our Class President, on receiving a letter from him who had had such a very long sickness, was pleased with the excellent penmanship and the calm serene view of general affairs expressed in the letter.

He passed away on April 16, 1952 at his residence in Spokane, Washington. He was born at Huttonsville, West Virginia, on January 10, 1867. Surviving are his wife, Bess Iler Hamilton, and his children, Lee Hamilton Nielson, Peter Iler Hamilton, and Edith Hamilton Haines. There are six grandchildren.

One who knew him well has written, "There never lived a finer gentleman. Every one who knew him was very fond of him and he was an inspiration to us all. I wish I had the power of expression to tell you how much the Service and West Point meant to him. 'Duty, Honor Country', was so much a part of his being"

And so the Class sets its seal of approval on the attention to duty, on the patience in long sickness, and on the life work of Robert Hamilton. At one of our "Hundred days to June" entertainments, some poetry was read, which became a classic in our time in the Corps of Cadets. And so for a summation of his life on earth we quote a line from this well received writing by one of the cadets:

"He did his level best"

—A. B. D.

John Southworth Upham

NO. 4206 CLASS OF 1903

DIED JULY 5, 1952, AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AGED 70 YEARS.

ON July 5, 1952 John S. Upham joined the ranks of the Long Gray Line which stretches beyond this earthly sphere. He first joined these ranks in July 1899 when he entered the United States Military Academy as a member of the Class of 1903. His death occurred in Los Angeles, California, where he is now resting beside his father, mother and sister, Ethelberta, in the family plot in the Veterans' Cemetery, Sawtelle, Santa Monica.

Father was born on November 5, 1881 in Walla Walla, Washington. He was the son of Captain Frank K. Upham, U.S. Cavalry, and Sarah Camp Upham. He had one brother, Frank Brooks Upham, and two sisters, Ethelberta and Edith. All except Ethelberta, who died at the age of 26, were closely connected with the Military Services of the United States, for Brooks graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1893 and later became Commander in Chief of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet, while Edith married Robert E. Boyers, USMA 1903, and joined the Army.

Father led the normal boyhood life of an Army child of those days, spending a great portion of his time on frontier posts and in settlements far removed from the big cities. It was on these posts that he first took an interest in shooting, an interest which in later years bore fruit in the winning of the medal for a distinguished pistol shot and several trips to Camp Perry to compete in the National Pistol Matches.

When Father was still quite young the family moved to Santa Monica, California, where he took the competitive examination for West Point and successfully won the appointment. His West Point days are best described by a devoted friend and classmate of Father's who knew him intimately during those days.

"When as Cadet Upham he entered West Point he was fortified with a fair understanding of the life of a cadet but he was not prepared, in common with all his class, for the rigors of a plebe camp under the regime of hazing which, fortunately for the Academy, ended that summer for good and all.

"His natural buoyancy and sense of humor made him interested and amused at what upper classmen did, a fatal error for a plebe in those days. He and his tentmate, Allan Pope, for somewhat similar reasons became the special target of the yearlings in particular and their life that summer was one long series of unofficial 'soirees'. It was the last of the great experiments to see if a plebe could take it. John took it and came out smiling.

"He and Pope lived together in barracks as they did all but a part of one year thereafter. The room they had that first winter was located in the 12th Division of the old barracks, first floor left hand area. It never got any sunlight, it was the last room to receive the heat and when the floor was washed by the policemen once a week in winter it had ice on it that remained for hours. That amused John Upham as did all such trials, ice or no ice, and during release from quarters his room was a mecca for plebes because John lived there.

"He suffered a blow that first winter. He heard of the death of his beloved father in California. It seemed to awaken John to a realization of responsibility that heretofore his easy going genial disposition had not recognized. From then on he worked, 'boned dis', and was rewarded in June by

receiving corporal's chevrons, of which he was very proud.

"The years of course changed John's attitude toward constituted authority, which within a month deprived both him and his roommate and one or two others of the class of their corporalcy and put them on the area walking punishment tours for three months. It was truly a raw deal. They were accused and reported for contempt before a Board of Investigation because they had testified they knew nothing about a widespread act of insubordination many of the Corps had engaged in. Actually John Upham was completely ignorant of it all. However, he ploughed up and down that area of barracks during football games that autumn with a smile that the true John always carried with him. It was his stock in trade.

"For four long years he lived in "F" Company where among his boon companions chevrons and class standing were of less importance than in some other companies. That they all lived to make their names count later in the military and in some instances the civilian world, merely shows the kind of men John Upham felt



at home with and within whose ranks he was a leader. His red blooded boyish character which always came to the surface at the right time and which in a most wonderful way he exhibited as long as he lived kept him and his particular classmates, who were all quite like him, busy amusing themselves 'braking it off on the tacs' up to the day of graduation. That the 'tacs' often won out was of no consequence compared to the fun they all got out of life.

John Upham did not receive his diploma among the first in the class. He had to wait on graduation day for some who had beaten him out in marks, but not in the enjoyment of life nor in the respect in which he was held by his classmates. When his name was finally called out a roar went up from the throats of ninety-two classmates, plus the rest of the Corps, which must have made him very proud of his record at West Point all of his life."

While on graduation leave in Santa Monica Father met Mary Josephine Hutton. They were married on the second of August 1905 and embarked on a 47 year period of happy and devoted companionship. They had three sons, John Jr., Frank and Hudson. John Jr. and Hudson graduated from the USMA with the Classes of 1928 and 1934, respectively, and Frank graduated from the USNA with the Class of 1934. All three sons survived the rigors of World War II, but shortly after the war Hudson was killed in an aircraft accident, a blow from which Father and Mother never really re-

covered. John and Frank are still on active service with the Army and the Navy.

During Father's service in the Army from 1903 until his retirement for physical disability he had a most active and varied career. He participated in the suppression of the Moro uprisings in Mindanao in the Philippines in 1905-1907 and was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his services as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 and Acting Chief of Staff of the 36th Infantry Division during World War I. In addition, he attended the Army Service Schools, graduating from the War College in 1923. After the War College he spent four years in the War Department working on war plans, a period in Father's career during which he has often said that he did his most enjoyable and productive work. After several other assignments a bad heart ailment caused his retirement in 1938.

Because of Father's physical condition the doctor had warned him that he was to take life easy and by no means do any arduous work. We often wondered how he would spend his time, but we should have had no fears on that score for Father was a man of great mental resources and during his adult life he had developed many hobbies. A few of his earlier hobbies were writing poetry, pistol shooting, inventing a mechanical cigarette case, mushroom growing, bicycle racing, chess, and maintaining a posterity album. After his retirement he continued with his poetry and branched out into other writing, publishing a small book on poker, of which he was very proud. In addition, he became interested in trout fishing, and not only was expert at catching trout but made his own fly-rods and flies. He developed a culinary art which we all enjoyed, for his preparation and serving of hot tamales, cole slaw and clam chowder were worthy of his pride.

Father suffered two serious heart attacks after his retirement and prior to his death. Yet when Mother became ill Father unhesitatingly devoted the remainder of his life to caring for her and to doing everything in his power to make her life happy and comfortable.

We, his sons, know that Father was a grand man with an outstanding character. He had the most delightful sense of humor that we have ever had the privilege of contacting. He kept it through all kinds of adversity and it helped pull the family through many rough spots. He was unselfish, loyal and entirely dependable. That he was thoroughly imbued with the moral teachings of West Point we know, for he constantly strove throughout his life with us to drive these principles home, and he certainly practiced what he preached!

When Father died on July 5, 1952, he left a void in the hearts of his family which will never be filled. Yet we are thankful for the many pleasant memories of our life with him which we will always cherish, and we know that we are most fortunate in having had a Father who was not only a devoted companion to us, but who will always be an inspiration for which we can strive but will never reach. —John and Frank.

Halsey Dunwoody

NO. 4363 CLASS OF 1905

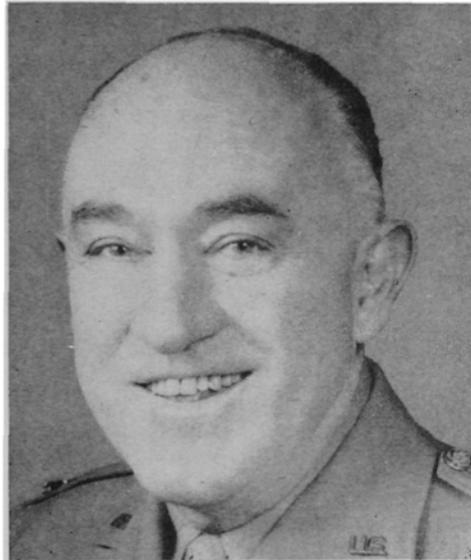
DIED SEPTEMBER 2, 1952, AT ITHACA, NEW YORK, AGED 71 YEARS.

HALSEY DUNWOODY was born March 21, 1881 in Washington, D. C., the son of Brigadier General Henry Harrison C. Dunwoody, Class of 1866, U.S.M.A., and Clara Mills Dunwoody. He received his early education in Washington, D. C. and graduated from George Washington University, where he

was a member of Theta Delta Chi fraternity, before entering the Military Academy in June 1901. During his cadet days he was a good student and stood well in his class although he was engaged in many extra curricular activities.

Upon graduation he was assigned to the Coast Artillery, where he saw service with a 12-inch mortar company, commanded a submarine mine company and became a member of the Coast Artillery Board. A few years later he was detailed to the Military Academy as an Instructor in the Department of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, and he later became Assistant Professor and Director of that Department. After studying similar courses at leading technical schools, Halsey rewrote the course for his Department at West Point, and it was adopted by the Academic Board in June 1917, just before he was relieved at his own request to go to France with the Air Service.

In France, Halsey, as a Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel, Air Service, was Chief of Supply and Assistant Chief of Air Service, serving successively under Major Generals



Benjamin D. Foulois, William Mitchell and Mason M. Patrick—Chiefs of the Air Service, AEF. Throughout World War I he was responsible for supply, production, transportation, and relations with the Allies on all business matters pertaining to the Air Service, and he obtained from the Allies every plane flown by American pilots. He was also the American Representative on the Inter-Allied Aviation Commission, and built Orly Field, which is now the great international airport for Paris, France. After the Armistice in November 1918 Halsey was made the Aviation Member of the Dawes Liquidation Commission, which liquidated all United States aviation contracts and obligations in England, France and Italy, amounting to approximately \$200,000,000.

In 1919 Colonel Dunwoody was appointed by the President, upon recommendation of the Secretary of War, as the Army member of the Crowell Commission. This mission visited foreign countries, studied their post-war plants and recommended a National Defense policy which included unification of the Armed Services—only realized twenty-eight years later.

For his services in World War I he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by the Commanding General, A.E.F. with the following citation:

"HALSEY DUNWOODY, Colonel, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services. As chief of

supply and assistant chief of Air Service, by his energy, tact, and executive ability, he built up an efficient supply service, capable of meeting the program for material, airplanes, motors and equipment. He established and maintained excellent relations with the allied military authorities. His service was marked by exceptional administrative ability, comprehensive service and whole-hearted devotion to his important tasks."

Colonel Dunwoody was made an Officer of the Legion of Honor (France) and Commander of the Crown (Italy). He also received a special citation of Exceptional Service which was signed personally by General Pershing at Paris in 1919.

In October 1919 Colonel Dunwoody resigned from the Army to accept the management of the European office of the Finance and Trading Corporation. He lived in Paris, France, for eight years and while there met and married Doris A. Sleator, who survives him. He returned to the United States in 1925 to accept a position as Assistant to the President and General Sales Manager, Gardner Motor Corporation, St. Louis, Missouri.

In 1928 Colonel Dunwoody accepted the office of Executive Vice-President and General Manager of the newly formed Universal Aviation Corporation. He organized this company and administered it and its seventeen subsidiaries until they were merged to form American Airlines. As Vice-President of American Airlines in charge of Transcontinental Operations, he established the first transcontinental Air Line in the United States in June 1929. Later he became Vice-President and General Manager of the Bandbox Corporation in St. Louis, Missouri.

In World War II Halsey gave up a remunerative civilian position in 1942 to act as a consultant to the newly organized Transportation Corps. He remained with the Transportation Corps until his death and filled many important positions and assignments, including Deputy Chief, Supply; Chief, Supply Planning Branch; Chief, Industrial Demobilization Unit; Chief, Post War Planning Unit; Chief, Renegotiation Contracts Branch; Chief, Industrial Mobilization Branch; and Assistant to the Comptroller, the position he held at the time of his death.

For his work with the Transportation Corps, he was awarded a commendation for Exceptional Civilian Service with the following citation:

"In recognition of his outstanding achievements in directing and co-ordinating re-deployment for all Divisions and Field Installations of the Transportation Corps. His initiative and sound judgment in drafting and putting into effect re-deployment and demobilizations resulting in the least possible disruption of the Nation's normal traffic."

Halsey thus has the unique distinction of having his services to his country and his ability recognized by the military award of the Distinguished Service Medal for World War I and the civilian Exceptional Civilian Service Medal for World War II.

With all his many and varied extensive activities in Europe and America his life was marked by an intense loyalty to his family and to his summer home, the Gables, at Sheldrake, New York, which has been in his family for four generations. He delighted in assembling his son, daughters and grandchildren there each summer, and it was there he suffered his last and fatal illness while surrounded by his family.

Halsey Dunwoody died Tuesday, September 2, 1952, in an Ithaca, New York, hospital. Funeral services were held in Sheldrake Chapel on September 5th and inter-

ment was in the Sheldrake Cemetery with his father and mother. He is survived by his widow; a son, Lieutenant Colonel Harold Dunwoody, Class of June 1943 U.S.M.A.; two daughters, Mrs. Doreen D. Young and Mrs. Elizabeth D. Munro; 10 grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Esther Dunwoody Jacobs and Mrs. Ellen Dunwoody Nester.

—N. F. R.

Wentworth Harris Moss

NO. 4846 CLASS OF 1909

DIED JULY 6, 1949, AT PAYETTE, IDAHO, AGED 66 YEARS.

No one in '09 will ever forget our first impression of Tony Moss, who joined us in Plebe fall as a turnback from 1908. A huge monolith of a man, whose virile, masculine traits befitted his ample frame, he moved among us in those prehistoric days as a sort of benevolent patriarch. He was the oldest member of the class, far outstripping most



of us in maturity and experience. Born in Wyoming in 1882, the son of Albert B. and Celia A. Moss, he was reared in Payette, Idaho, where he graduated from high school in 1899. He studied with a law firm in his home town until 1904, when he entered West Point on a Congressional appointment.

Not an intellectual prodigy, Tony acquired "book learning" the hard way. But, playing for five years on the football squad at a time when material of intercollegiate caliber was far from plentiful, his powerful physique and dogged courage soon established him as one of the stalwarts of the Army line. It was a joyful climax to his athletic career when he played throughout the Navy game to be a major factor in the defeat of our Annapolis cousins in his First Class year.

In our recollection of Cadet years we also think of Tony as a member of the famous "Tom Cat Quartet" who entertained us so cheerfully on many evenings in summer camp. At all times his native good sense and sound philosophy earned the respectful attention of his comrades. At graduation probably no one else had more firm friends and fewer enemies than Tony Moss.

Assigned to the 3d Infantry upon graduation, he served with his regiment in the Philippines, returning with it to station at Madison Barracks, N. Y. Our entry into World War I found him commanding a Motor Truck Company on the Mexican Border. Later in 1917 he had troop duty at Laredo and Fort Sam Houston, and then

for eight months was an instructor at the Officers Training Camp at Leon Springs, Texas. Periods of duty at Camp Lee, Virginia, and Washington, D. C., followed, and after the Armistice he helped to straighten out the transportation tangle at Antwerp and other European ports.

After the war Tony followed the customary routine of an Infantry major, including graduation from the Infantry School, Command and General Staff School and the Army War College. On completing thirty years' service in 1934 he applied for retirement in his current grade of lieutenant colonel and returned to his home in Idaho. Here he was associated with his brother Fred in business and farming, becoming Vice President of the Payette Development Company and the Idaho Canning Company. In World War II he was the Chairman of all the local War Loan Drives and was largely responsible for the fact that his county was one of the first to "go over the top" on every such occasion. Past Master of his Masonic lodge and of the Shrine, as well as a Past Commander of his American Legion post, he played a prominent and useful part in the life of his community. Hunting and fishing were his chief recreations. Frequently did his old friends receive a basket of fine apples he had raised or a haunch of venison which he had shot in the mountains of his home state.

Tony's last trip East was at the time of the Army-Navy game of 1941. As the house guest of his old roommate, Bob Eichelberger, then Superintendent at West Point, he saw the cadets emerging from barracks after taps for a torchlight rally on the eve of the game. Running into the garden, he exclaimed: "My God, Ike, they're going to burn down your house". But the rally wound up with Tony, as an old football hero, addressing the cadets in front of the Supe's quarters. The next day at Philadelphia, when he found himself standing beside Mrs. Roosevelt, he said: "Ike, you'd better send me a picture of this or the folks back home will never believe it".

In subsequent years an increasingly serious heart disorder prevented Tony from taking any long trips. He died peacefully in his sleep at his Payette home in the summer of 1949. Funeral services were held in the local Episcopal church and the Masonic committal service was conducted at the grave. His old family friend, Reverend Thomas Ashworth, traveled from Butte, Montana, to assist in the final rites.

Tony was never married. He is survived by four brothers, three of whom lived in his home town of Payette, which he loved so well.

—R. L. E. and G. L. V. D.

Walter Moore

NO. 4923 CLASS OF 1910

DIED JANUARY 15, 1952, AT FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS, AGED 66 YEARS.

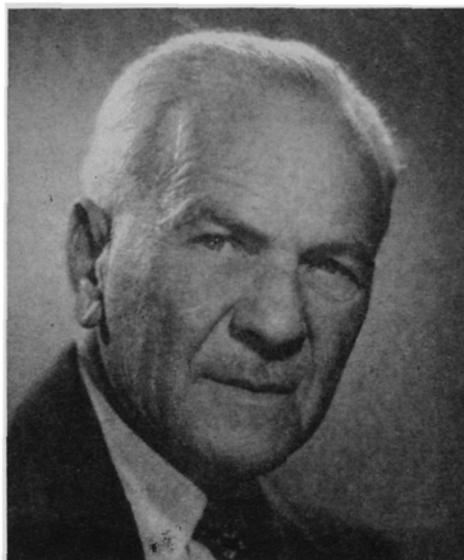
THE many friends of Lieutenant Colonel Walter Moore, Retired, noted with sorrow his passing away at Brooke Army Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

"Jerry", as he was affectionately called, was born on August 14th, 1885, at Annapolis, Maryland. He was laid to rest in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Texas. His father, Captain David Moore, Merchant Marine, gave his life during a storm in an effort to save two seamen washed overboard. Captain Moore was in command of the *Monitor* at the time of his death, engaging in naval maneuvers with the *Merrimac*.

A distinguished graduate of St. John's College in Annapolis, Maryland, Jerry entered the Military Academy in 1906 and re-

ceived his commission as a Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Regular Army on June 15th, 1910. His first assignment was the 15th Infantry, with stations in the United States, Philippine Islands, and Tientsin, China. In 1912, while on duty in the Philippines, he met and married Mattie May Lowe, who was visiting her sister, the wife of Colonel Craig. Three children were born to the Moores; Craig Lowe Moore, the oldest, was graduated from the Military Academy in 1940 and died from polio on December 3rd, 1941. Their youngest son, First Lieutenant Raymond T. Moore, Class of 1946, U.S.M.A. is at present on duty at the Allen Military Academy, Bryan, Texas. Their daughter, Marjorie Lowe Moore, is the wife of Lieutenant Colonel Raymond H. Knapp.

During World War I, Jerry served as a military observer in France. His military career was varied, he had assignments as Aide to Major General H. T. Allen, as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the Universities of Utah and Georgia School of Technology, as an instructor with the Florida National Guard, as a company officer in the 15th Infantry Regiment and in the 9th and 37th Infantry Divisions, as a



company commander in the 7th Infantry, and as a battalion commander in the 1st Infantry, 22nd Infantry, 45th Infantry and the 11th Infantry Regiments. He also served as Regimental Executive Officer and Officer-in-Charge of the 99th Division branch of the Army Extension Course School. He was a graduate of the Infantry School, the Tank School and the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth.

At his own request, Lieutenant Colonel Moore retired on January 31st, 1938 after more than thirty-one years of service. He lived in Jacksonville, Florida until 1940, when he moved to San Antonio, Texas. His wife died in 1947, and in 1948 Jerry married Mrs. Rhoda Orr Evans, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Orr of South Carolina. Mrs. Moore now resides in San Antonio, Texas.

Upon retirement, Jerry devoted considerable time to his chief hobby, golf. He was instrumental in rebuilding the Fort Sam Houston golf course and arranged for and managed many fine tournaments. He gave up golf during the last few years of his life and divided his time between working in his garden and gathering material for a book he had long planned to write, "Stack Arms", a story covering the time from when he entered the Military Academy until his retirement. Whenever he was in contact with old friends and incidents in the past were recalled, he would make notes. Unfortunately the data compiled was never

sufficiently coordinated to permit completion after his death.

His classmates will always remember Jerry by his always ready smile, his cheerful, happy disposition and his natural and original wit that bubbled over at all times. Jerry's characteristic soft southern drawl led to one of his Academy nicknames, "Moe W". He was popular and well liked by everyone in the Corps. His excellent tenor voice was enjoyed by all throughout his Service. Jerry was a member of the Cadet Choir during his four years at the Academy and he was Choir Leader during his last two years. In his last year he was President of the "Dialectic Society" that staged the Hundredth Night Shows. He was one of the leads and those who heard him will never forget his superlative singing of "Sunbonnet Sue". During his plebe year he was on the football and baseball squads and was a hop manager when a Second Classman.

All of those who had the pleasure and privilege of knowing Jerry will mourn his loss. They will remember him first and last as a gentleman of the highest integrity, generous to a fault and a loyal and faithful friend.

One of God's chosen has departed to answer the final call of Taps. —A. V. E.

Theodore Lamar Dunn

NO. 7850 CLASS OF 1925

DIED DECEMBER 14, 1950, AT COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AGED 46 YEARS.

TED was born at Meridian, Mississippi, on February 25, 1904. His parents, James E. Dunn and Viola Gertrude Dunn, died while he was a child and he was reared by his grandparents. This probably led to Ted's interest in the Army as a career, his grandfather having told him so many stories of the Civil War that the Gettysburg-Antietam sheets were no mystery to him.

He was nominated for the United States Military Academy by Congressman Ross A. Collins, Fifth District, Mississippi. At the time he entered the Academy, July 1, 1921, Ted was one of the "babies" of the Class. However, he soon won the friendship and respect of all who knew him.

A sincere and hard working student, Ted, with his southern accent, had his troubles with French and Spanish, Suh! In fact, before Christmas leave our other "wife", Griffith, W. B., became so worried for fear Ted would be "turned out" in Spanish that Griff deliberately got "turned out" in Ordnance so he could stay with Ted to help him study during leave. However Ted acquired the necessary "tenths", and after "foundation" day his class standing was several files above some members left in the Class; and Griff successfully passed in Ordnance all alone.

In all his service Ted stood proudly and firmly for the highest standards of "Duty, Honor, Country". On his first tour of guard duty as a cadet he walked in the 8½ Division, where room numbers were un-uniform. Almost a year later he was assigned to this same post and discovered that he had possibly overlooked one of the corner rooms on his first guard tour. Ted promptly reported himself for having violated his "All Right", although at the time he feared it might mean dismissal.

Upon graduation Ted served with the 24th Infantry and the 15th Tank Company at Fort Benning, Georgia, until he entered the Company Officer's Course at the Infantry School in 1928. At the completion of the school year he was transferred to duty in

the Philippine Islands, where he served with the 45th Infantry at Fort William McKinley. He received two commendations, for his performance of duty as a Company Officer and as Acting Quartermaster Officer.

He returned to Fort Benning, Georgia, in 1932 and attended the Tank Course at the Infantry School. Upon completion of this course he was assigned to the 66th Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia, until 1936, when he was reassigned to duty in Panama.

Upon completion of his second tour of foreign service in 1939, he served with the Provisional Parachute Group at Fort Benning, Georgia, and with the 504th Parachute Infantry until December 7, 1942. At this time he was transferred to duty with the Transportation Service, Washington, D. C. and remained on that duty until 1945.

On April 21, 1945 he was assigned to duty as Chief of the Planning Branch, Office of the Chief of Transportation, Hq AFWES-PAC. Ted was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for developing plans, which required close coordination with the Navy and other Army Services, for transportation support of the invasion of Japan during the period April to September 1945.



Upon completion of his overseas service in 1947, he was assigned to duty with Organized Reserve Corps with station in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In 1949 he was transferred to Walter Reed General Hospital and retired from the Service for physical disability on February 28, 1949.

After his retirement, Ted was an instructor at the Gulf Coast Military Academy, Gulfport, Mississippi. He later became interested in Real Estate in Columbus, Georgia, where he died on December 14, 1950.

Dunn is survived by his wife, Clare Marie Dunn, who resides in Columbus, Georgia, and by his son, Theodore Russ Dunn.

Ted was a pleasant companion officially and socially, beloved by his family and friends. He will not be forgotten.

—N. R.

Harris Edward Rogner

NO. 11251 CLASS OF 1938

KILLED DECEMBER 18, 1951, IN A PLANE CRASH, NEAR SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, AGED 37 YEARS.

Rog and I first bumped into one another on the soccer field three days after our arrival in beast barracks, July 1934—result: two pairs of split lips and bloody noses.

A week later Billy Cavanaugh—of boxing coaching fame—thought that Rog and I would make a fine pair to demonstrate the manly art; result: same as on the soccer field. Shortly thereafter B-game Burlingame elected Rog and Jack Ryan to demonstrate to football hopefuls that an end and a halfback can take out a tackle anytime; I was the tackle; result: same as on the soccer field and first plebe boxing. At this juncture Rog and I decided to join forces. We calculated that with Jim Isbell the three of us would displace a rather large body of water and that, back to back, we'd well survive the plebe and yearling draggings and such not uncommon goings on. The strategy worked fine as far as that "A" Company rabble was concerned, and even in rough and tumble old "M" Co. However, the plans of mice and men certainly do go asunder. Things were so quiet and peaceful with the outside world that just for exercise we continued to work one another over—except now, we were three. And it continued—well after leaving West Point. Two on one was as common at Randolph, Kelly, in England or Timbuktu as it was on the parade ground practice field.

In deep retrospect, the unchronicled incidents of comradeship, the sincere closeness of a "pal", a "partner", or a "buddy", as your closest friend is sometimes known as, constitute, an intangible piece of your life which makes life itself so worthwhile. It requires and seldom obtains its due reflection. I can see Rog taking the "skin" for me and twenty confinements for a radio of doubtful ownership so that I could make the RMC hockey trip to Canada; or trying to keep me out of trouble in Abilene, Texas, only to have me hang one on him—of course he was trying to pull me out of a bar by the necktie; the details of a wedding stag party Rog ran for Preacher Wells, Ski York and Jack Ryan after our Kelly Field graduation are so clear that I have to chuckle. Certainly Al Gillem, Sully, Sam, and Brink cherish the memory of Captain Rogner's basketball team "staff meetings". Some who read this will well recall the assemblies at the "Old Oak Tap Room" and their circumstance.

Rog had an infectious personality with a dominating desire to make fun out of work, to live every minute of life, to compete and to win, and to laugh and mostly to be a strong man amongst men. The award of the saber as the outstanding sportsman and athlete of the Class of 1938 to Cadet Harris E. Rogner testifies to his early success in these desires. Although we fought the war on the opposite sides of the world, I frequently would hear that Rog was more than fulfilling these desires in actual combat. His record in U.K.'s 8th Air Force earned him five Distinguished Flying Crosses and three Air Medals, flying B-17's, and as one of the Class 38's youngest colonels, leading the group he commanded. For Rog's performance as the commander of the 457th Bomb Group and as deputy commander of the 94th Bomb Wing and 401st Bomb Group, in nearly two years of combat, he was additionally awarded the Legion of Merit.

In combat, Rog's personality was felt by every man in his organization and his leadership ability was a driving as well as steady influence on the entire unit. Symbolic of Rog's determination to be in the middle of things when the going was toughest and when the chips were down, Bill Garland wrote me the following example: "The problem facing his commanders was to keep Rog on the ground. He wanted to go on every mission. Just one small example—by the time "D" Day rolled around, Rog had only a few missions remaining in his tour; consequently, he was selected to fly the weather ship for the 1st Air Division. Rog was determined to be in on this show. He had some bombs loaded aboard his stripped B-17.

With a skeleton crew he performed his weather mission and as the last group of the division passed the final check point, Rog tagged on and bombed with this outfit".

Rog was a natural commander and leader, all other assignments were merely milestones in his preparation for command. After World War II, Rog graduated from the Command and Staff School at Leavenworth, the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, and completed an extremely worthwhile and interesting two year tour at Lake Success, Long Island, with the United Nations. He assisted in the U.N. in the formation of plans for the election of a democratic government in Korea. Returning to a command assignment in 1949, Rog led the 301st Bomb Group, a B-29 organization, at Smoky Hill Air Force Base, Salina, Kansas, and later at Barksdale Air Force Base, Shreveport, Louisiana. For the next two and a half years, here Rog was again in his finest element. Strategic Air Command people well remember when the 301st was sent on a normal ninety day rotation to England in May 1950, and, due to the Korean incident, still hadn't come home in January 1951. Rog's outstanding leader-



ship ability truly paid off in holding the outfit together under these rather dismal circumstances. Rog told me on visiting him in England that he sure hated to miss out on the Korean affair. He didn't! Soon after returning to Barksdale from England he left to join General Joe Kelly and to get into the fracas on the other side of the world. His last citation was for leading a formation of B-29's through intense anti-aircraft fire to cut off Communist supply lines in North Korea!

On December 17, 1951 Rog was homeward bound from Korea to spend Christmas with his wife and family. I have saved mention of this very important part of Ed's life to the last. Yes—Rog had missed being with his family the preceding Christmas, and had been overseas at the birth of his youngest son. Rog was doubly anxious to be with his wife, Kay, and his two sons, Edward Price and James Stephan, and his daughter Teta Elizabeth, this Christmas. Rog now has three sons, Jeffrey Bruce having arrived March 30, 1952. Kay was the life "partner" of our friend Rog. She was the pal and buddy. Kay, the little mite, could handle Rog, to my very positive knowledge as far back as 1936. Few if any gangs, and no man at all, could do the same.

I hope that young Eddie, Teta, Jimmy and Jeff will someday be able to extract from this brief memorial some of the respect and admiration which all their Dad's friends possess for him. It is also important for them to know with the most positive assur-

ance that their Dad's departure was in the fulfillment of the most honorable and esteemed vocation: The defense of their home and country.

Kay and the children have made a new home at 812 Alcoma Street, Sharon, Pennsylvania. Kay writes that little Jeffrey, born after his father's death, is the spitting image of Rog: He'll be a handsome man, God bless him.

—W. H. Blanchard,
Brigadier General, USAF.

Bernard Sohn

NO. 13985 CLASS OF 1944

KILLED JUNE 11, 1951, IN A PLANE CRASH, AT HAMILTON AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA, AGED 29 YEARS.

BARNEY, as he was affectionately known to all his friends, would be the first to protest against a eulogy of himself. An outstanding individual in many ways, he consistently opposed any effort to bestow praise



on himself or his accomplishments. If one were to choose one characteristic which stood out above others in his personality that one would be a very evident humility, without implication of timidity or lack of poise.

Barney was born on the fourth of January 1922, in Herrin, Illinois. He received his education through high school in that city, and as early as graduation from grade school began to show some of his natural talent by graduating with honors.

Music and oratory claimed his attention early in life. Upon his graduation from grade school he was not present to receive an award for honors because he was competing in a State music contest. As a junior in high school he won the Illinois State Prince of Peace Declamation Contest. He was a member of his high school mixed chorus which placed second in a National High School chorus contest. Before graduating first academically in his class in high school, he won many State-wide music contests for his bassoon playing. His interests were not all academic and cultural, however, as evidenced by his enthusiasm for scouting and his attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout.

After his graduation from high school in 1939, Barney went to Washington, D. C., where he worked for the Federal Housing Administration and attended night school at George Washington University. He was initiated into Phi Eta Sigma, an honorary scholastic fraternity, after having made the

highest grades ever attained by a freshman at that school.

From earliest childhood one of his ambitions was to fly. To satisfy that ambition, he decided to become a military pilot, and set about securing admission to the Military Academy. Barney entered West Point on the first of July 1941, and before leaving had not only received his wings, but attained the rank of Battalion Adjutant, and was awarded stars for academic distinction. The *Howitzer* has this to say of him "Strangely enough, beneath his front of rather staggering efficiency, reposes a truly basic friendliness, and who is to say which is the more important attribute?"

His first assignment after graduation was to fighter plane training. After a succession of assignments, including a short period of instructing in single-engine advanced flying training, he went through P-47 replacement training. There followed an assignment to the Seventh Fighter Command, later the Twentieth Fighter Wing of the Twentieth Air Force, on Guam. He served with distinction in many jobs, including Fighter Group Adjutant, and was promoted to Captain.

Base by base his reputation was established and reaffirmed. Friendliness, cheerfulness, efficiency, and common sense were his attributes, and they built confidence and good will in all with whom he served.

In 1948 came reassignment to the United States and command of the Headquarters Squadron of the 78th Fighter Wing, at Hamilton AFB, California. But his constant ambition was to be in a tactical unit, and he finally was assigned to one of the fighter squadrons of the Wing. There he was checked out in jet fighters, and soon became a Flight leader.

On the sixth of May 1950, Barney married Miss Doris Adams of Selma, Alabama. This happy marriage was a culmination of a long romance, and for more than a year Barney lived the full life of a happily married man.

At Hamilton AFB on the eleventh of June 1951, while taking off with his flight on an early morning mission, his plane failed to become airborne, and he crashed off the end of the runway. He is survived by his wife; by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Sohn, of Mendota, Illinois; and by a sister, Mrs. Julian Wineberg, of Chicago, Illinois.

With all his talents and capabilities Barney's lack of egotism and great friendliness were such as never to engender jealousy or disdain in others. After all his accomplishments those who knew him well wished for him only greater success.

"Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land;
When you can no more hold me by the hand,
Nor I half turn to go, yet turning stay.

Remember me when no more, day by day,
You tell me of our future that you planned;
Only remember me; you understand
It will be late to counsel then or pray.

Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve;
For if the darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad."
—R. L. A.

Thomas Milton Dolan

NO. 15044 CLASS OF 1945

DIED DECEMBER 23, 1951, AT FORT CUSTER, MICHIGAN, AGED 27 YEARS.

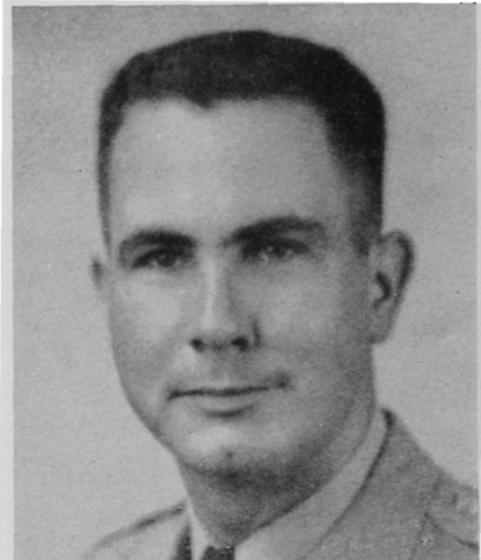
It is more than difficult to realize that Tom of the beaming laugh and sunny dis-

position is no longer with us. This gap in the ranks of friendship is one that can never be closed.

Tom came to the Point directly from Classen High School in Oklahoma City, where his outstanding scholastic abilities gained him the Classen Scholastic Award. He excelled in mathematics and languages and won renown as a public speaker and actor. Memberships in the National Honor Society, National Order of Theatians, and the Proctor Organization, through which he participated in student government, offer testimony to his abilities.

At the Academy Tom tasted fully every facet of cadet life. He did well in his studies, particularly history and geopolitics, which had a special appeal for him. He had the customary bouts with the Tactical Department; and, while he won a few, he lost enough to merit a few hours on the area. During his three years at the Academy Tom gained a host of friends all through the Corps. These friendships he prized very highly.

Upon graduation Tom spent a few months at Fort Bliss, Texas, becoming indoctrinated in the branch of his choice, and then set



sail for the Philippines. There he served two and one-half years, performing duties as a battery officer with a variety of units, some of which were Philippine Scout units. Shortly after his return to the States he was ordered to the Radar Electronics Course at the AAA & GM Branch, The Artillery School, Fort Bliss. Upon completion of this course he was requested as an instructor by the School. However, Tom was on orders to the Advanced Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and he completed the course the following year. He was one of the youngest officers to attend this course.

At Fort Custer Tom once again became a battery commander and was performing his duties in an extraordinary manner. In the Fall of 1950 he took a short respite from his duties to marry a girl from Savannah, Georgia—Mary Uffeman. After a short but happy year of married life, during which little Kathy came into this world, Tom was taken ill and died from a cerebral hemorrhage. He had been ill only two days, and his death was not only a tremendous blow to his wife, his parents, and his friends, but also a great loss to the Army—for so young and promising an officer to pass on so early in his career.

Funeral services were conducted in the Post Chapel at Fort Custer, and a graveside ceremony was conducted in Oklahoma City, where Tom was laid in his final resting place.

It is sad to realize that little Cathy will never see for herself the fine person her father was. We who were fortunate enough to have enjoyed his friendship will never forget him.

In addition to his wife Mary and daughter Kathy, Tom is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Dolan, of Oklahoma City, and by a brother, Dan, of the home address. May he rest in peace.

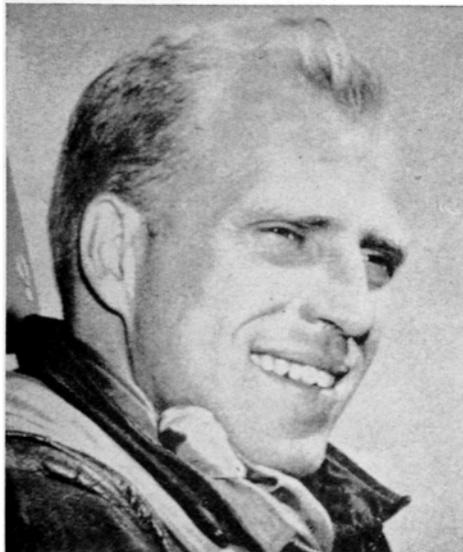
—W. J. R. and A. R. C., Jr.

Hobart Raymond Gay, Jr.

NO. 16022 CLASS OF 1946

KILLED AUGUST 10, 1952, IN A PLANE CRASH,
NEAR FALMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS,
AGED 28 YEARS.

HOBAY GAY was a familiar sight at West Point with his blond hair and friendly smile. All of us who knew him learned to appreciate his sunny disposition and generous heart, and we feel a great loss now that he is gone.



Hoby was born February 26, 1924, at Fort Riley, Kansas, as a true "Army Brat". He entered school in El Reno, Oklahoma, in 1929 and, as is the case for most "Brats", proceeded from one school to another as his parents moved from Panama to Philadelphia to Washington, D. C. Hoby entered Philly's Exeter Academy for the summer session in 1940 and then enrolled in Marion Military Institute in September 1940.

Hoby came to us at West Point on the 1st of July 1942, having received his appointment from the Honorable Luther Patrick of Alabama. With his familiar grin, Hoby soon won us all over and promptly assumed a position of popularity. Although academics presented a hurdle, Hoby surmounted all his problems with the same ease and grace with which he dove from the diving board as a member of the Diving Team at West Point. As a member of the team he received honorable mention as an All-America diving star.

After receiving his initial flight training at Uvalde, Texas, in 1945, Hoby continued on to Stewart Field where one of his roommates, George Lee Cleere, was killed in the summer of 1945. Upon being graduated, with his wings, Hoby reported to Shaw AFB and later was assigned to Wheeler AFB, T. H., where he served as a member of a famous acrobatic flying team in the spring of 1949.

Hoby returned to the States late in 1949 with his new bride, the former Jane Jarcho

of Forest Hills, Long Island, whom he married on June 20, 1948. Janie presented Hoby with a son, Hobart R. Gay III, on September 28, 1949. After his initial leave on arrival, Hoby ran the gamut of bases in Michigan, New Mexico, Washington, and Florida until late in the summer of 1950, when he volunteered for duty in Korea, where he flew jet aircraft for 105 combat missions in addition to a tour of duty as a Tactical Air Controller with his father, Major General Gay, in the 1st Cavalry Division.

Having completed his tour in Korea, with awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Distinguished Unit Citation with an Oak Leaf Cluster, Hoby returned to the States after a short tour in the Philippines and again began the round of Air Force Bases. During the latter part of 1951 and until August 10, 1952, when he died, Hoby was flying from Otis AFB, Falmouth, Massachusetts, where he had taken the Advanced F-94 Course.

On a routine flight on August 10, 1952, Hoby was returning to his base; he had radioed in for landing instructions; then nothing more was heard. A search was organized at once, and an oil spot was discovered on the surface of the Atlantic, not too far from shore. The search extended to the nearby islands and under the water, but to no avail. Hoby's body has not yet been recovered, and for this reason no memorial services have yet been held.

Despite the grievous pain in the hearts of those who knew and loved Hoby, we can't help but feel he's gone to the resting place set aside for all good soldiers.

To those of us who knew Hoby it's not necessary to describe his personality and character; to others who weren't fortunate enough to know him well, it's impossible; for how can one put a grin, a towheaded boy, and a face reflecting an inner happiness, into mere words?

Hoby dedicated himself from early childhood to a life in the Army, and he died as he would have wanted, "in line of duty".

He leaves behind friends and family with a deep sense of grief over their loss, but he also leaves a memory of a boy and man dedicated to the principles by which he lived and died—"Duty, Honor, Country"

—His Roommate.

Frank Beckwith Tucker

NO. 15766 CLASS OF 1946

KILLED IN ACTION, SEPTEMBER 29, 1951,
IN KOREA, AGED 27 YEARS.

FRANK BECKWITH TUCKER was born the third child of Eloise Beckwith Tucker and John Randolph Tucker in Welch, West Virginia, on August 16, 1924. His childhood, full of devilment and happiness, carried him through Sewanee Military Academy, graduating *cum laude*, and one year at the University of Virginia, to West Point in July 1943. Frank, or "Taffy" as he was affectionately called by his classmates, became well known throughout the class for his sincere friendliness and his exceptional running prowess on the Cross-Country team, which he captained during his First Class year to win the IC4A Meet, and the Indoor and Outdoor Track teams where he bettered many a good man in the two-mile race. He won the Major "A" and the Minor "A", in addition to other letters and awards.

At graduation he selected the Infantry as his branch. His love of people and his ability to work with men made his choice as natural as his selection of the Army as his career. At the completion of the Basic Course at Fort Benning he took parachute

training with a large number of his classmates, and was assigned to the 511th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 11th Airborne Division, serving in the occupation of Japan. The Airborne supplanted running as his primary interest. When his Division was transferred to Camp Campbell, Kentucky, in the Spring of 1949, he returned with the 511th and remained with that regiment until he was ordered to Korea in late December 1950. While at Fort Campbell he met and fell in love with Cary Randolph Marshall of Winchester, Virginia, and they were married in Winchester on October 21 1950. He brought his new bride to their first home in Clarksville, Tennessee, and they were the happiest of couples. Randy quite captivated the hearts of all who met her. However their honeymoon ended when, after ten weeks together, Taffy was sent to Korea.

During the eight years that we knew Taffy we went through a great deal with him that we won't forget easily. His many escapades will be revived whenever a group of us get together and reminisce. None of us at Benning will ever forget his experiences with his airplane and his automobile. His daring in the Pioneer Free-Fall Club at



Fort Campbell is legendary. He was the main organizer of this group of dare-devils, and his feats were outstanding to even the oldest jumper. But he will be remembered for many other and more serious things, chief of these being his friendliness. The most valued thing in his life was a friend. He would go out of his way to make one, and no one who knew him could ever turn his friendship away. If he ever heard of anyone who didn't care for him, he would seek him out and win him over with as great a fervor as a Biblical shepherd looking for a lost sheep. The people who knew him knew a man of many parts: athlete, musician, artist, and soldier; avid reader of philosophy, military writers, great literary works, and religion; consoler and sympathizer. Not only did he study a musical instrument . . . he learned the history of music and studied the lives of the great composers. He not only read fine books . . . he could quote from the widest latitude of literature. Taffy never did anything half way. He may not have always succeeded in reaching perfection, but he was never criticized for lack of energy or willingness to cheerfully carry to completion any assignment given him or any goal he desired. He was often given distasteful assignments by his seniors, who knew he would succeed where others would not, due to the nature of the job. His enthusiasm won him the praise of all his commanders. His men not only loved him, they would brag openly if

they were in his platoon, company, or in any way associated with him.

Taffy had a great faith in God and His Justice, yet worshiped God in his own way. He was too big-hearted not to be a religious man and his sense of charity and brotherly love were not exceeded by very many men. He was also a fine soldier. His loyalty to his superiors, whoever they were, his devotion to his men and associates, his sense of justice, and his great courage are all well known. He was not afraid of any physical danger or any act or conviction which he thought was right. He was often criticized for his frankness, honesty, and willingness to speak his piece, but only by men not endowed with his moral courage. It was always a pleasure to be near him. One minute the boy—full of impetuous exuberance . . . the next a man, mature far beyond his years. He will be long remembered as both the boy and the man.

Taffy was always cheerful but seldom really content or satisfied. Randy completed his dreams and made him truly happy. As his sweetheart and his wife she gave him the completeness of life for which he seemed to have always been searching. Yet when duty called him to combat he left willingly—not resenting the Army for taking him from his new-found happiness, but seeking the opportunity to further his profession and serve his country to the fullest.

He was assigned as commander of "L" Company, 15th Infantry, 3rd Division. While with the company he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for Valor after leading a patrol on a dangerous mission, and on the 23rd of March he was severely wounded by hand grenades while assaulting an enemy position in hand-to-hand combat. Ordinarily when an officer was wounded as badly as Taffy was, he was rotated to the Zone of the Interior. But when he was released from the hospital in Japan he returned to the 15th Regiment, this time to command "A" Company. It was while inspiring his company in an attack that he was mortally wounded. His Battalion Commander, Lt. Col. Edward N. Hathaway, related the action in a letter to Randy:

"On September 29, Frank's company was engaged in assaulting enemy positions near Ukkonggi, Korea. The enemy was well entrenched and their stubborn resistance halted the lead elements of the company. At this time Frank rushed forward to the assaulting platoon and inspired the men to continue their advance and secure the vital hill. It was while he was leading his company in the assault that he was struck by an enemy machine gun bullet which pierced his right arm and entered his chest. Despite immediate medical attention he died at approximately 11:00 A.M. within a few minutes after he had been wounded in this action. His loss will be felt keenly in this organization."

He was cited for his heroism and awarded the Silver Star Medal. We are proud of him—not so much for the awards he won, as for the fact that he was willing to give his life for the ideals in which he believed so completely and by which he had lived. His loss will be felt keenly by all of us who knew him and loved him. —A Classmate.

Warner Turner Bonfoey, Jr.

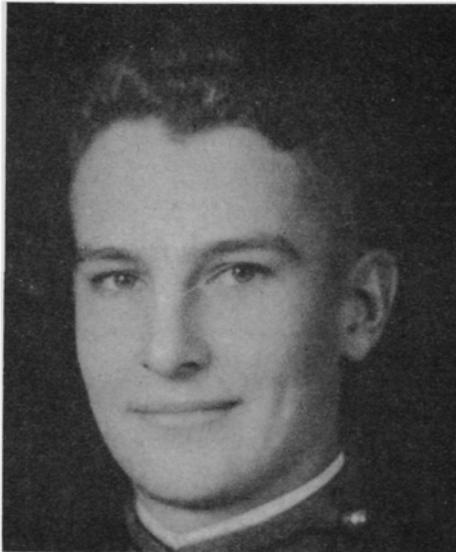
NO. 17677 CLASS OF 1950

KILLED IN ACTION, OCTOBER 29, 1951,
IN KOREA, AGED 23 YEARS.

THE tense, anxious days of waiting for Bud's next letter were over. The dreadful message came twenty-four days from the date he had last written, October 17th.

Bud had been so faithful writing to us. Every week since his arrival in Korea, the first week of June 1951, he had written three or four letters each week. He treated the dangers of his being a forward observer very casually, and stressed the amusing little incidents that occurred among the men, and the beauty of a Korean sunset. . . Our local newspaper carried his picture with an account of his life and activities at school, on Monday, November 12. Then on Thursday, December 13, the following appeared in the newspaper: "Lt. W. T. Bonfoey Rites Tuesday. Memorial services for First Lt. Warner T. Bonfoey, Jr., 23, killed in action in Korea October 29th will be at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in the House of Hope Presbyterian Church, Summit and Avon.

"Born December 21, 1927 in St. Louis. Lt. Bonfoey came to St. Paul as a child with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warner T. Bonfoey, 2146 Sargent Avenue. He was the only child. Lt. Bonfoey was graduated from St. Paul Academy in 1946. He played on the academy football, hockey and baseball teams. He entered West Point * * *, played hockey for four years, received three letters on the varsity squad, and stood above



average in scholastic work. He was graduated with a bachelor of science degree. Assigned to Fort Bliss, Texas, he was ordered to Korea in April 1951, and was assigned to the First Cavalry Division, 61st Field Artillery Battalion as forward observer and for patrol work with the Infantry. He also had duty with the * * * Republic of Korea troops and a company of U.S. armored tanks. He was wounded by an enemy grenade while on outpost duty for his own battalion and died before aid could reach him."

Bud's childhood was an unusually happy one. Our home movies show a lively, joyous little golden haired boy with laughing blue eyes. He was so loved,—the joy and delight not only of his parents but of his grandparents, who adored him.

Of the many, many letters of tribute to Bud, the following seem to express the overwhelming grief and shock his loss meant.

"* * * Of all the boys that I have had in the last forty-five years, Bud was one of the very rarest. His young friends and all of us older people felt just the same way about him—we loved him. It seemed as if when he was around, the sun was shining. * * *"

—John de Quedville Briggs,
Rtd. Headmaster, St. Paul Academy.

"* * * On Monday I announced it to the school as best I could, telling them that the

flag would fly at half-mast in Bud's memory. The burden of my brief remarks was that Bud was one of the finest boys ever to graduate from this school—or any school. * * * If there is any comfort to be had, perhaps it comes from our good fortune in having known and lived with, however briefly, a boy of Bud's disposition and calibre.

"Certainly the Academy is a better school for his having been here."

—Edward M. Read,
Headmaster, St. Paul Academy.

"* * * My heart is at half-mast, just like the flag at the Academy. You have lost your dearest hope. We have lost the boy of whom we have been most proud for all those qualities that make a charming boy, a young man of true nobility.

"Wherever the boys today and tomorrow are trying to do their best in all humility, with an unflinching step in spite of trials and difficulties, the spirit of Bud Bonfoey will be walking right along beside them to cheer them on and lend a helping hand."

—Bob Blampied,
Master of French, St. Paul Academy.

The following appeared in the December issue of the St. Paul Academy paper, the *Now and Then*:—

"Warner T. Bonfoey, Jr.

"'Buddy' Bonfoey came up through the Junior School, graduated with the versatile and talented Class of 1946, and entered West Point. He graduated from the Military Academy in 1950, a Second Lieutenant, and was promoted to First Lieutenant this fall. The shocking news has come to us that he was killed in action in Korea on October 29th.

"In the Academy, Buddy made a fine scholastic record, and played on all three major teams; he played Plebe and Varsity Hockey at West Point. But it was neither his high scholarship or his athletic prowess that made him one of the best loved boys ever to attend the Academy. When he was in the Prep Form, one of his small classmates was heard to remark that Buddy 'had the best disposition of anyone in the Class'. He might truthfully have said 'anyone in the world'. He took everything in stride, unperturbed, with a smile, and did his job, as he must have done it to the end. When I visited him at West Point, on a miserable, cold, dark winter day, most of the cadets there looked strained, unhappy and depressed. When Buddy appeared to have dinner with me at the Hotel Thayer, it was as if the sun had burst through the clouds. Just to know him made the grim world a happier place. That combination of strength with sweetness and gentleness is a rare and precious thing.

"The English poet Henry Newbolt, in a poem 'Clifton Chapel', refers to a memorial tablet on the chapel wall, in that old English school:

"'Qui procul hinc' the legend's writ—
The frontier grave is far away—
'Qui ante diem perit:
Sed miles, sed pro patria' "

"'Who died in a far off land, before his time, but as a soldier should, in the service of his Country.' No brass tablet is needed to keep alive the memory of Buddy Bonfoey. He will live and be loved forever in the hearts of those whose lives he touched."

—John de Quedville Briggs.

There has been a scholarship set up at the St. Paul Academy in memory of Bud, and an inter-city Hockey trophy, called "The Bonfoey Hockey Trophy".

From the boys he had grown up with:—

"I cannot express to you how I share your grief. Bud was such a grand friend and such a wonderful boy, and I always admired him to the utmost. His loss is a shock that will stay with me as long as I live."

—Dick Quinn.

"It was with a great feeling of shock that I just heard of the loss of Buddy. He had always been one of the best friends that I ever made at school and on all counts was certainly one of the finest and most respected boys that St. Paul Academy ever turned out. * * * You can take great pride in Buddy's entire life, as I and his friends can feel proud that we just knew such an outstanding person."

—Jay Levine.

"* * * The news about Bud left me with a feeling I shall never forget. Its still difficult for me to believe that it's all actually true.

"Bud was one of the finest men I have ever known. We spent some wonderful times together; from guarding the defensive left flank of the Academy (St. Paul) team to double dating on Saturday nights. I shall always consider him among the very best of my friends. He was liked by everyone. Bud was just that kind of a guy. His pleasant personality, his good natured disposition, his conscientious way of accomplishing every task, are just a few of the many qualities about him which appealed to everyone with whom he came in contact. His memory will dwell in all of our hearts forever."

—Arnie Bockstruck.

From West Point classmates:

"* * * Most of my contacts with Bud were with the hockey team. I shall never forget them. The assist he made in scoring the winning goal over Yale in 1948-49, the winning goal over Royal Military College in '49. Every now and then he would stop in the room for hockey business or to see Mike. Believe me, it was fun, every minute of it. * * * It was a pleasure to have known Bud. We shall all miss him very much."

—(Lt.) Richard Trefry.

"* * * I was very close to Bud from the time we both reported for duty at Ft. Bliss in August 1950 until April 1951 when he left for Korea. We were roommates from the time Tony (Lt.) de Jennary married until April when Bud left. * * * I realize that nothing I can say will help to ease your grief in losing him. Bud was undoubtedly the most clean-cut boy I've ever known in my life and as devoted a friend as anyone could ask for. His whole outlook on life was so wholesome, and he saw so little evil in both people and environment around him, that I often felt that I and others were cheating ourselves inasmuch as we couldn't appreciate life as completely as he did. So I hope and pray that, despite the fact that his life was cut so short, he gained something from life that I shall never be able to gain as long as I may live.

"If I told you I felt some of your grief, it would probably sound like a meaningless platitude, but I can assure you I feel his death deeply. I only wish I could make you understand how much he was loved by all who came in contact with him."

—(Lt.) Bill Jones.

Lt. Jones (Wm. R. D.) was Bud's Military Escort when Bud was laid to rest at West Point.

"It was a great shock to me to read in the Army-Navy Journal of Bud's death. Al-

though my association with Bud lasted only a few months, we were very close friends and I was anxiously looking forward to the day when I might be stationed with him again.

"Bud, with his happy outlook on life, was the type who made friends easily and then kept them due to his cheerful spirit, kindness, unselfishness and other desirable traits of character. It is these things and many other attributes that are hard to describe which cause myself and his other associates to feel that we have lost a fine friend.

"While my connections with Bud have always been on an off-duty status, I do know that he established an outstanding record as an officer at Fort Bliss and that, although only a second lieutenant, was highly respected by the other officers and men of his battalion. With Bud's courage and devotion to duty I am confident that his superior record was continued in Korea. He definitely had a promising career ahead of him, and the Army has suffered an irreplaceable loss.

"It seems such a short time ago that I received a letter from Bud saying that he had received his overseas orders that very day. It is hard to believe that he is gone. Knowing how much Bud thought of his parents, I know that his loss is quite a blow to you. Yet I do want you to know that your loss is shared by many people upon whom Bud made a lasting impression."

—Richard C. Tuck (Capt.), U.S.M.A. '46

"* * * I enjoyed so much my last visit with Bud at El Paso. I shall always remember the sparkle in his bright eyes, his winning smile and the feeling I had while I was with him and since, that here was a young man destined for great things if he could be spared the scars of war. I am sure I knew Bud much better than he realized. I was deeply interested in him and his future. I admired his intellect, his courage and his manliness. I have often thought how happy I would have been had I the good fortune to have had a son like your Bud.

I know how proud both of you have been of him, and with such right to have been proud. He has now given his life on the battlefield for us all. May be so bold to hope that in the knowledge that you have of his devotion to his country in making the supreme sacrifice, will in some measure allay your grief on his passing."

—James E. Kelley.

The usual letters of sympathy came from the General, and Bud's Commanding Officer,—then

"I cannot begin to tell you how deeply sorry I am to hear of Bud's death. It was a shock to me, as well as to my classmates. General Ridgway has asked me to convey to you as much information as I can concerning Bud.

"Here is the exact account of Bud's death extracted from the Adjutant General Casualty Branch here in Tokyo, Japan, as received from Bud's outfit.

"Bud was forward observer on hill of unknown number near Yanjimal, when an incoming rifle grenade landed ten feet from Bud; flying shrapnel hit him in the lower legs and from loss of blood and shock Bud died.

"I believe Bud was the most congenial, affable person I have ever come in contact with. Never once did Bud pass a disparaging remark to or of anyone. I know that consolation or sympathy could never bring Bud back, but I do want you to know that I thought a great deal of him."

—Arnold A. Galiffa (1st Lt.).

From Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., came the following:

"* * * I learned a few days ago, of the loss of your son. It came as a terrible shock.

"Bud and I met that first day of July, 1946, as we were about the same height. We were close friends for the following four years. This past October we met unexpectedly in Korea. Our forward observer had broken down with battlefield fatigue. Bud had volunteered to take his place. He joined us one evening and aided us considerably in saving another company and a part of our company with covering artillery fire. This job was typical of Bud's fine work while he worked with my company.

"On October 17th I was hit, with our objective in sight, I was happy to think that Bud had come through all right. He had the respect of all of us who worked with him. Then I read the bad news in *Assembly*.

"I saw your son when the going was tough—and he had in his constitution what you will find in the makings of a fine officer and gentleman. I know I speak for all his classmates when I say we are proud to have known him."

—Joseph T. Griffin, Jr. (Lt.).

A letter from young Sgt. Steve Kolstad, who was constantly and closely associated with Bud during June through part of October, on observation duty, states; "I have received a letter from Paul Welsh (radio operator on duty near the front the day Bud was killed). As you can see Bud was liked by everyone. I am proud to say that I served with him in Korea".

At the Memorial Service, our minister, Dr. Irving West, spoke simply and factually of Bud's life.

"* * * Bud was one of the first acolytes of this church. He was always the finest example of young Christian manhood in the life of the church and community. Bud graduated from the St. Paul Academy in 1946. Then he went into West Point * * * where he received his commission in 1950. Always his Christian faith shone from his life. This was very evident during his service in the Armed Forces. Words, always so feeble at best, can never convey the grace and strength and beauty of his life. Like Cyrano de Bergerac, he has crossed over with his 'white plume unsullied'.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

A few days after the bright cold day of the Memorial Service, came the following:

"* * * I can think of no surer evidence that no life is incomplete than that great church filled with people who came—both to share your sorrow and to show reverence to the glory of your son's sacrifice. * * * So I shall never again hear 'Glory, Glory, Hallelujah' that I do not think of that beautiful boy of yours and be grateful to him."

—Elizabeth Kennedy

(Mrs. Walter) and Walter Kennedy.

On Monday morning, March third, Bud was laid to rest in the cemetery at West Point. Chaplain Pulley read the simple sermon, as cadets from Bud's Company L-2 acted as guards of honor, and Lt. Wm. R. D. Jones was present as Bud's Military Escort. The dark gray day and the sad tones of the muffled drums seemed to reflect the deep grief in our hearts.

We are thankful to have had Bud with us for the twenty-three years, and we shall think of him as just being "away"

—His Parents.

