

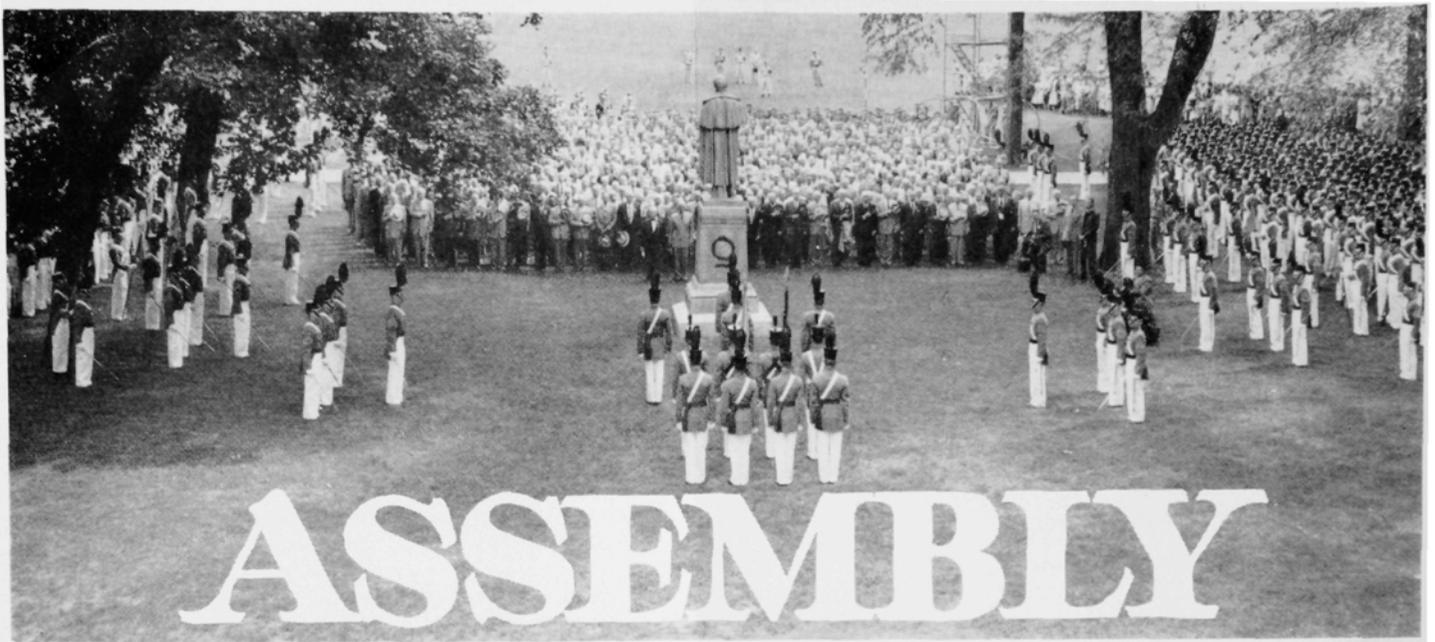
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# PLAIN TALK



Dear Fellow Graduates:

Our athletic prestige rose the last weekend in February when we beat Navy in 5 out of 8 contests. Previously we had defeated the Air Force Academy in a pistol match. Against the Navy we won the only contact sport contest, wrestling, for which we were particularly gunning.

During the recent competitive weekend at Kingston, Ontario, against the Royal Military College, we captured all of the contests of the day, defeating the Canadians in Hockey, Debating and Pistol. The latter contest was a three way affair in which we also defeated the team of The Royal Canadian Mounted Police. They didn't get their man this time!

Four of our winter sports teams were undefeated for the season: track, gymnastics, rifle, and pistol. The basketball team which operated under extremely difficult handicaps all season gave a very creditable performance. The Navy game was much closer than the score indicates. Incidentally, we have beaten Navy only 3 times in the 14 basketball contests since 1946.

We are very proud of the superb job Jack Riley, our Hockey coach, did with the U.S. Hockey Team which he coached to an Olympic championship, winning all seven games. As you know he took an underdog American team and made it the Cinderella outfit of the Olympic games, beating the Canadians (the pre-game favorite for the championship), the Russians and, finally, the Czechs for the world championship. It was good having one of our coaches uphold our country's international prestige.

Joe Cahill, our Sports Information Director, was chosen to handle the hockey press activities at Squaw Valley. Our Gym coach, Tom Maloney, has been selected as the coach of the Olympic Gym Team. The tryouts for the team will be here at West Point this April and the team selected will train here.

At long last, after three years of intensive efforts, we have submitted to the Department of the Army our recommendations with regard to changes in the curriculum of the Academy. An explanation of our proposals is presented on page 34 of this issue. I hope you will agree that our plans are sound and provide intelligently for the probable demands that will be made on our graduates in the foreseeable future.

We have also completed a comprehensive review of the Military and Physical Education components of our instruction during the academic year. As a result we are planning certain shifts in emphasis. Particularly do we plan to emphasize our proud military heritage in an effort to accentuate the motivational facets of the instruction. We hope also to make the military instruction during the academic year more meaningful by making the subject matter more challenging and by adopting a pedagogy more closely akin to that of our academic instruction.

Arrangements have been completed for an innovation in the summer training for the First Class this year which should provide the best possible peacetime training. The one half of the First Class taking army orientation training this summer will do so with our forces in Europe. On July 1st approximately 220 members of the First Class will be transported by air to Germany. They will be assigned to Infantry, Armored, and Artillery Units of the Seventh Army and for thirty days will get practical experience as "third lieutenants." A small number will serve in Berlin. At the end of the training period the First

Classmen will be permitted to spend all or part of their summer leave in Europe. We hope this will be professionally beneficial, personally enjoyable, and culturally broadening.

As this article is being written, it is not possible to give you a complete report on the efforts of the various societies in support of our admissions program; however, the outcome seems brighter this year, and the chances are excellent that the results will be the best we have attained to date. Thirty-seven of our forty-six societies have been active in supporting 168 young men they have selected as being outstanding in their communities. This represents a material increase in society support. I extend my sincere thanks to those of our graduates who have given so generously of their time and efforts in the interests of our Alma Mater.

We are trying to visit some of the societies more distant from West Point this March. I am speaking at the Founders Day celebrations in San Francisco, Monterey, and Los Angeles and later at one at the Army War College. The Commandant is speaking in Dallas, New Orleans, and Pittsburgh; and the Dean in Tucson, Arizona.

We are looking forward to our Founders Day celebration here in Washington Hall and the award on that occasion of the third Sylvanus Thayer Medal to our Ambassador to the United Nations, The Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge.

In the last issue I stated that we were doing a lot of soul searching to determine the causes for our lack of success against the three service academies in the fall sports. The Athletic Board made a thorough analysis of the fall season and concluded that no single major factor could be identified as the cause of the very poor showing of our teams against the other Service Academies. The Board concluded that the over-all result was more attributable to misfortune combined with a number of minor and contributory causes. Action has already been started to correct the latter. Our results last weekend now make this year's total against the Navy and Air Force read: seven victories, seven losses and one tie.

Ground has been broken and the old cadet hospital is fast disappearing to make way for the new cadet barracks. When these are completed, for the first time since 1916, we will have enough space so that we will not have to assign more than two cadets to a room.

Ground has also been broken for the new officers' quarters, 156 of them, along the trace of the Pipeline Trail leading West from Delafield Pond. These will at last permit us to house all of our officers on the Post. These quarters will be located high on the hillside, and most of them will command a beautiful view up the river to the north.

We are continuing to build up our library as a foremost depository of historically significant military documents and records. We are always pleased to receive such papers which any of our graduates or friends may have.

Best regards.

GARRISON H. DAVIDSON  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Superintendent

# BULLETIN BOARD

If you have any old Howitzers, 100th Night Programs, Class Reunion Books or other similar publications that you no longer want, send them to the Secretary, Association of Graduates, West Point, N. Y. Both the Association and the Library are trying to build up their historical collections.

## Nominations For Association Officers And Trustees Announced

The By Laws of the Association of Graduates provide that the Board of Trustees shall nominate at each annual meeting candidates for the elective offices and for vacancies in the Board of Trustees.

Following tradition, the Board requested the five senior reunion classes, from the 50th through the 30th, to submit the names of members to be nominated as Vice Presidents. They also invited the West Point Societies in the Army Areas concerned to suggest the names of possible Regional Trustees. The three junior reunion classes were requested to suggest the names of members for nomination as Trustees.

The following slate will be presented to the members at the annual meeting of the Association, to be held in Washington Hall on Monday, 6 June 1960:

To Serve Until June 1961

*For President*

Anthony C. McAuliffe, '19

*For Vice President*

Robert H. Dunlop, '10; Leland S. Hobbs, '15; Earl H. Blaik, '20; Floyd E. Dunn, '25; Alexander G. Stone, '30.

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## CULLUM PICTURES INSPECTED AND REPAIRED

For about a month this winter, Cullum Hall was closed to visitors while the portraits were being inspected. It has been many years since they were last removed from the walls. You can see how the ballroom was painted around the pictures.

Mr. Paul Kiehart, a noted artist and restoration expert, performed the work under supervision of Mr. Todd, Museum Director. The cost of the operation was borne by the Cullum Portrait and Statue Fund established by General Cullum in his will.

Mr. Kiehart found the portraits in generally good condition. A few needed to be restretched, and a couple required retouching, but otherwise they are doing well. You will recall that the portraits were all glass covered. The glass has been removed and the paintings covered with a modern composition which will preserve their life. They will also be more visible without the reflection of the ceiling lights.

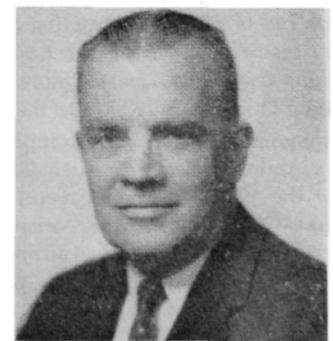
The building was back in use in time for the Benny Havens Hour prior to the Founders Day Luncheon on 16 March.



## Old Howitzers Available

Occasionally, the Association of Graduates receive offers of Old How-

itzers. Usually they are offered free, sometimes for a small price. If you are looking for a Howitzer, write to the Secretary, he may be able to help you.



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This cryptic abbreviation in the Register of Graduates and Former Cadets of the United States Military Academy records a man of West Point.

Where did the man come from? What is his background? What was his childhood like to induce him to choose the military in preference to any other profession? What kind of cadet was he? And what became of him after graduation? Let's look behind this brief notation and discover that "this" man has been a part of the military for 100 years, or will be April 20, 1960.

Henry Clay Hodges, Jr., was born in a log house (he insists it was not a cabin) at Fort Vancouver (later Vancouver Barracks) Washington Territory, April 20, 1860. His father, for whom he was named, graduated from USMA in 1851 and lived to be the last survivor of his class. Captain Hodges was Adjutant of the 4th Infantry at the time of his son's birth. General Hodges' mother, the former Annie Abernethy, was the daughter of the first elected Governor of Oregon Territory. During the Civil War, Hodges Sr. was a Quartermaster and was credited with one of the most remarkable logistic feats of that war. He was given the job of moving the Army of the Potomac from Washington to Old Point Comfort (Ft. Monroe.) Starting from scratch, he located and hired the ships, barges, tugs, and crews and accomplished the movement in six weeks.

General Hodges says the colonel of the 4th Infantry was an unpleasant individual and had placed his father in arrest for some now forgotten offense. That was not unusual, but no charges were placed, so after six months Captain Hodges wrote to General Winfield Scott who ordered his immediate release. Shortly thereafter Captain Hodges was ordered East at the start of the Civil War. Henry Jr. and his mother followed later by way of Panama. As an Army "brat," Henry Jr. attended many different schools as his parents moved from post to post. One school which was "different" was a public school in San Francisco where he was given a German language reader his first day. This upset the impressionable young man and he informed his parents that if this was public schooling, he didn't want it. So, he enrolled in a private school.

Later, when the Hodges were again ordered East, young Henry was enrolled in a boarding school at Sing

Sing, now Ossining, N.Y. This school was preparatory for West Point. His boyhood dream was to come to West Point and he kept striving toward the day he could take the entrance exams.

He received his appointment to the Military Academy from his father's very good friend, President Ulysses S. Grant, who had served with him in the Fourth Infantry in Oregon Territory years before Henry Jr. was born. He entered the Academy in June 1877, the second youngest man in his class.

Concerning the written exam which all cadet candidates were required to take at West Point, young Henry later wrote, "It was quite simple to my mind but thorough enough to test the candidate's knowledge in all fields."

His classmates soon gave him the nickname of "Cap." The nickname was a carryover from his school days in Philadelphia where he had worn a coat with brass buttons. His young classmates had thought the coat worthy of a Captain and this was shortened to "Cap."

"Cap" found the life of a Plebe suited him well because of the example set by his father and his friends of Civil War fame. This had given young Henry the ingrained bearing of a military man and he soon gained recognition for his leadership.

With his return to barracks from Yearling Camp, he was promoted to lance corporal, which almost proved his undoing. As company clerk the only information he was required to stand was meal formation, so he decided, since the first sergeant was a friend of his and had inadvertently left his name off the reveille roll, to sleep in. This was fine until he got caught. But, through friends, he was reported as "late" for reveille and not absent.

"Cap" Hodges next proved his leadership capabilities by being selected as the first sergeant of his company during his second class year and captain of his company during his first class year. He also was named hop manager as a first classman. He graduated number twenty-three out of fifty-three men in his class.

Among his classmates were many men who later had most distinguished careers. Two of them, Townsley and Biddle, were Superintendents, USMA. Several were division commanders in WWI. Dickman was a Corps Commander. Crowder wrote the Selective Service Law. Probably the best known was Rowan, who carried the message

to Garcia. H. F. Hodges, a cousin, was a Panama Canal Commissioner and designed the dams, locks, and gates.

He became one of the most popular members of his class and earned the respect of the entire Corps of Cadets. His respect for his fellow man continued throughout his military career and since his retirement. He is today one of the most considerate of men. He declines many of the privileges due to his age and grade because someone might be inconvenienced.

Hodges' first post was at Fort Clark, Texas, with the 22nd Infantry. He remained there until almost the end of the year when he was ordered back to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, at the request of the Academy superintendent, to act as an escort for a group of young ladies who were visiting from the North. It was during this period that "Cap" put his experience as a dancer to work—to the delight of the ladies.

After this pleasant assignment, he returned to Fort Clark. Upon his return, he experienced his only brush with Indians. The Comanches had left their reservation near the Pecos River in Central Texas. The 22nd Infantry rounded them up and got them back without incident.

And Lt. Hodges then moved from one frontier post to another until he received word in 1886 while at Fort Lewis, Colorado to report back to his Alma Mater.

His joy was somewhat blighted when he found he was to teach mathematics instead of being assigned to the Department of Tactics. Frontier duty hadn't given him many opportunities to continue his study of logarithms. Despite his need to "bone up" to keep ahead of the cadets, he proved to be an exact but fair grader.

One of his pupils in Plebe math was Colonel Lewis S. Sorley, Class of '91, who filled in for General Hodges as the oldest graduate present for the 1958 June Week activities.

During his tour here as an instructor, two things happened which have had an earth-shaking and ear-shattering effect on the Corps of Cadets ever since. The first was the beginning of an organized class cheer. The second, initiated by Cadet Dennis Michie, was wedded to the first and they are now inseparable during the fall at the Point.

Michie, with Lieutenant George Cameron who had played some football in school, started the first football

team here. This was the first time organized athletics, as such had been allowed. The Department of Tactics felt the training the cadet received was sufficient, especially under the direction of the Master of the Sword, Colonel Herman J. Koehler.

However, Cadet Michie persisted with the blessing of the Commandant, Hamilton S. Hawkins, and the first game was played against the Academy's arch rival, the Naval Academy. That first game was reminiscent of the 1959 game. Navy won by an overwhelming score. Since that first game, Army and Navy have played 60 times with Army winning 29 and tying 5.

A highlight of his tour here was as the stage manager for the English theatrical company of Sir Henry Irving. The star of the show was the world-renowned Ellen Terry. Sir Henry asked through friends at the Point to have the entire Corps of Cadets come to New York to see Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice." Unable to secure permission due to budgetary limitations, the theatrical company came to West Point. Lt. Hodges was appointed the stage manager and had everything planned down to the last detail—except for the Blizzard of '88.

After the roads became passable again the stage crew arrived to build a stage in the Officers' Mess, now Grant Hall. Due to the width of the building, the stage was smaller than normal and the play was put on as in Shakespeare's day: signs were lowered from above to indicate various scene changes, "Portia's room," "Street in Venice," "the garden," etc.

It was during the building of the stage that Hodges earned the gratitude of the English workmen. They wanted to stop for an ale at a "public house." Hodges feared they wouldn't return in time to finish the stage so made arrangements with the mess steward to keep the crew happy. This kindness on the part of Hodges was well remembered. When he had occasion to be in London several years later, the same stage crew greeted him when he went backstage to see Sir Henry, and they again thanked him for his courtesy.

Hodges, H. C. Jr., returned to frontier duty in '91. He reported in at Fort Keogh, Montana. The next year he was in command of the Army's Indian scouts at Fort Yates, North Dakota. Hodges, a non-smoker, found the Indian's peace-pipe a little strong for his tastes and was able to convince the Indians that a cigarette would be just as binding, and it wouldn't last as long.

In 1892 school bells rang again for Hodges, this time as an Instructor at

Groton School in Massachusetts. He continued as a teacher at the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts, now the University of New Hampshire until 1896.

Following these four years of teaching, Hodges returned to the frontier with duty at Fort Crook, Nebraska in '96, during the Spanish-American War.

When his regiment, the 22d Infantry, moved to Tampa, Hodges, like his father before him, was regimental adjutant. The quartermaster had been left behind as post commander and caretaker, but he got into trouble and Hodges was sent back to replace him. He remained at Fort Crook until he was transferred to the Philippines during the Moro Insurrection. He participated in 11 separate battles with the natives before being reassigned to Boston, Mass., for recruiting duty. He next became a Quartermaster at Newport, R. I., during the construction of Forts Rodman, Greble and Adams.

Completing this assignment, he was promoted to Major and returned to his first love, the Infantry, in the Philippines. He became battalion commander with additional duties as information officer and remained with the Infantry until recalled to the States to attend the Army War College. He next served with the 22nd Infantry in Alaska and Texas before being assigned to duty in the office of the Chief of Staff in Washington. Later he was made Secretary of the General Staff and was responsible for mobile Infantry. During this tour he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel.

Colonel Hodges departed Washington for duty with the 17th Infantry at Eagle Pass, Texas, to help suppress the raidings of Pancho Villa. In 1916, upon his departure for the Hawaiian Department and the 1st Infantry, he was honored by the officers and men of the entire Post. While in Hawaii he was promoted to Brigadier General and subsequently to Major General as the Army began to expand with America's entry into World War I.

He was ordered to Camp Beauregard, La., to take command of the 39th Infantry Division. When the division left Camp Beauregard for overseas, the citizens of the city of Alexandria presented him with a chest containing 200 pieces of silver engraved with his name.

General Hodges took the division to France but did not get into action. With the War nearing an end, his division was broken up to furnish replacements for other units.

Upon his return to the States he was again assigned to command Camp

Beauregard and the 17th Infantry Division until it was demobilized.

He reverted to his permanent rank of Brigadier General after the Armistice and was again transferred to the Hawaiian Department and later to Schofield Barracks which was named for the Superintendent of the Military Academy when Hodges was a cadet. With over 40 years of active duty, he retired at his own request on December 1, 1920.

While an instructor at USMA, Hodges married Miss Netta Haines at Poughkeepsie on October 24, 1891. She was the daughter of Thomas Jefferson Haines, USMA 1849.

Three children were born to this marriage. Miss Evelyn Hodges who lives with him in Stamford, Connecticut, Mrs. James L. Crenshaw who lives in Bryn Mawr, Pa., where she is student placement counsellor and where her husband headed the Chemistry Department and a son, Parke, is a mining engineer in New York City. Mrs. Hodges died in 1919.

Since his retirement, General Hodges has lived in Connecticut. On December 27, 1920, he married Mrs. Carrie Jones and lived in Noroton. Since her death in 1949 he has lived in Stamford.

General Hodges continues his active interest in all things and most especially anything to do with his beloved Alma Mater. Each year he returns to the Academy to participate in the alumni ceremonies. As the oldest graduate present he has led the Long Gray Line since 1949 in their measured step to Thayer's monument where the graduates rededicate themselves to the Academy motto, "Duty, Honor, Country." He has missed this formation only twice, both times due to sickness. The Corps of Cadets and the young men in it are his greatest interest.

April 20th, this year, this centenarian will celebrate his 100th birthday, a feat accomplished by no other graduate of West Point. A century filled with excitement, adventure and service to his country. Celebrating with him will be not only his children but hundreds of West Pointers and friends who have come to know this genial general.

He continues to maintain the same spirit today as the young cadets who will graduate this June . . . "Go Like '60!"

And we say "General, you're an inspiration to young and old. Good Luck, Happy Birthday and Best Wishes as you enter the new century. The 16,000 living graduates join in a big salute to you."

# Thayer Medal Presented To Ambassador Lodge

The Sylvanus Thayer Medal was presented to the Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge, Permanent Representative of the United States to the United Nations, at a ceremony in Washington Hall on 16 March 1960. At a post-luncheon ceremony, in the presence of the upper three classes of cadets and nearly 500 alumni and guests. General Anthony C. McAuliffe, President of the Association of Graduates gave the Medal to Mr. Lodge.

Founders Day was celebrated at West Point by a program centered on the presentation of the Thayer Medal. In welcoming the cadets, alumni, and guests to the 158th anniversary of the founding of the United States Military Academy, Lieutenant General Garrison H. Davidson, the Superintendent, said:

"Once every year at this time the graduates of the Military Academy, wherever they are throughout the world, take this meaningful pause. It is a time filled with great nostalgia and reverence. It reminds us of the very proud heritage that is ours, and recalls the responsibilities that devolve upon us in our turn to meet the accomplishments of our predecessors in the Long Gray Line. West Point is undergoing an accelerated evolution and at the same time we are accomplishing this without any sacrifice of the immutable principles established by Sylvanus Thayer here at West Point. It is with a great deal of pleasure and pride that I welcome you here to the Military Academy to help us celebrate our 158th anniversary and to assist us in honoring a dedicated American who, by his life, has been the personification of our sacred motto, 'Duty, Honor, Country.'"

In reviewing the history of the Sylvanus Thayer Medal, General McAuliffe recalled that the Class of 1931 had initiated the project in connection with its 25th Reunion. The Association of Graduates accepted the project and made it one of its major programs. The Medal is presented to "That citizen of the United States whose record of service to his country, accomplishments in the national interest, and manner of performance exemplify outstanding devotion to the principles expressed in the motto of West Point—Duty, Honor, Country."

General McAuliffe reminded his lis-



Sylvanus Thayer Medal

teners that the purpose of this award is not simply to honor an outstanding citizen. Beyond that, the graduates wish to demonstrate to the Corps of Cadets our continuing devotion to those principles. He said that some eighty Founders Day Dinners are held throughout the world, at which thousands of graduates pay honor to our Alma Mater and renew our adherence to the principles of Duty, Honor, Country.

In making the presentation to Amba-



Ambassador Lodge receives the salute of the Guard of Honor upon his arrival at West Point.

sador Lodge, General McAuliffe read a letter from President Eisenhower which expressed the President's delight in the selection of Mr. Lodge as the recipient of the Association's highest honor. The citation, which General McAuliffe read, sketched in broad terms Mr. Lodge's long record of outstanding service to the Nation.

Ambassador Lodge, in accepting the award, paid tribute to Sylvanus Thayer for whom the award is named. He said "Whoever is mindful of the many times West Pointers have saved our nation, must feel a sense of awe to receive an award in this place and from the West Point graduates themselves." He added that the message from President Eisenhower made the award more precious.

"This award bears the words 'duty, honor, country.' These are summoning words to me. Although fully conscious of my many inadequacies, I have tried to live by these words," he said. Continuing, he suggested, "In particular they are the words by which our country should live today. I say this because we are in a contest with a small group who, having mastered the art of revolution, have acquired control of great resources."

The Ambassador warned of the communist threat, adding, "So long as we have West Point and its counterparts I do not doubt our ability to meet this challenge." He reminded the twenty-three hundred people present that communist conquest through revolution "and its appeal to the minds of men must also be prevented. We will only prevail in the end on a spiritual basis—by living up to our own great ideals."

"To give life to those words we need: the unselfishness to do our *duty* to humanity; the elevation and nobility of spirit to stand up for *honor*; and thus to work for our *country*, since our country is what Lincoln called 'the last best hope of earth.'"

Mr. Lodge concluded, "In this spirit, humbly, and conscious of how undeserved it is—as one of uncounted millions to whom West Point's ideals are a help and a strength—I accept this award."

Two of the Military Academy's most senior and distinguished graduates sat at the head table. Both members of the Class of 1920, the Chiefs of Staff,

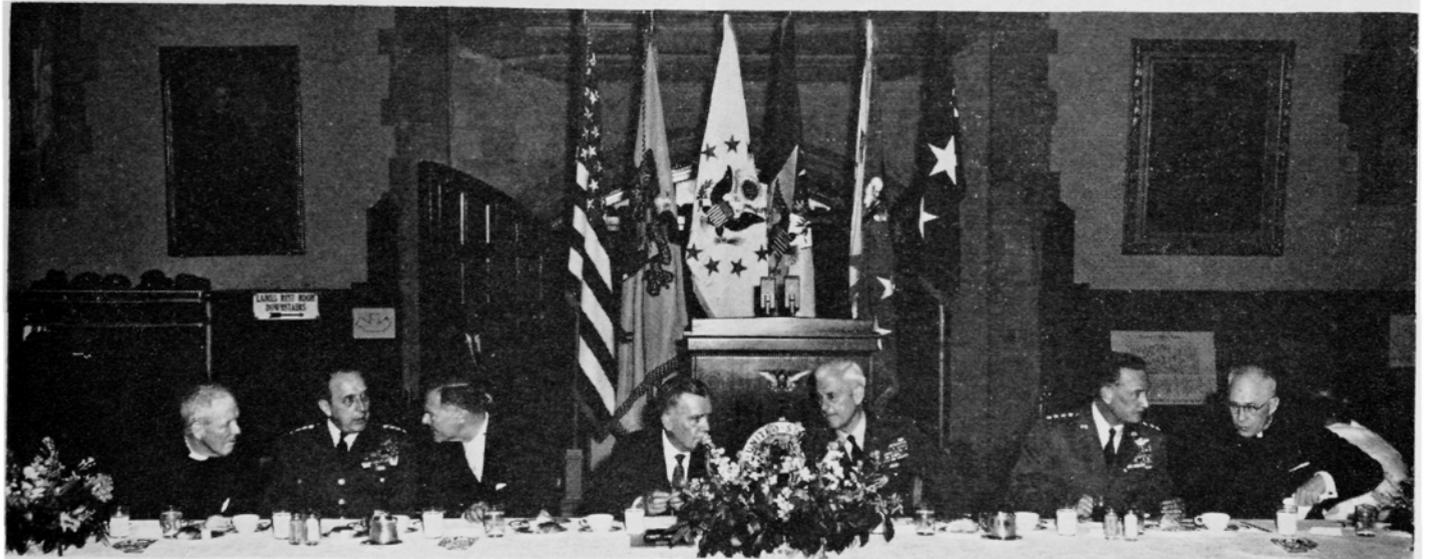
Army and Air Force, General Lyman L. Lemnitzer and General Thomas D. White, joined their fellow graduates in this tribute to a dedicated American. Old grads, and many not so old, came from as far away as Washington and Boston. Practically every class from 1904 on forward was represented.

The Cadet Glee Club sang the traditional songs. It was remarked by many that seldom has the Glee Club been in better voice. Directors and singers appear and then are gone, but "Alma Mater" and "The Corps" still send a thrill up your back. "Army Blue" brings nostalgic memories of hops and Color Lines.

By direction of the Superintendent, there were no classes on the afternoon of Founders Day. Plebes ate box lunches in their rooms, but that was compensated for by additional opportunity to study. Their turn will come next year when they join the two upper classes at the next ceremony of presentation of the Sylvanus Thayer Medal.



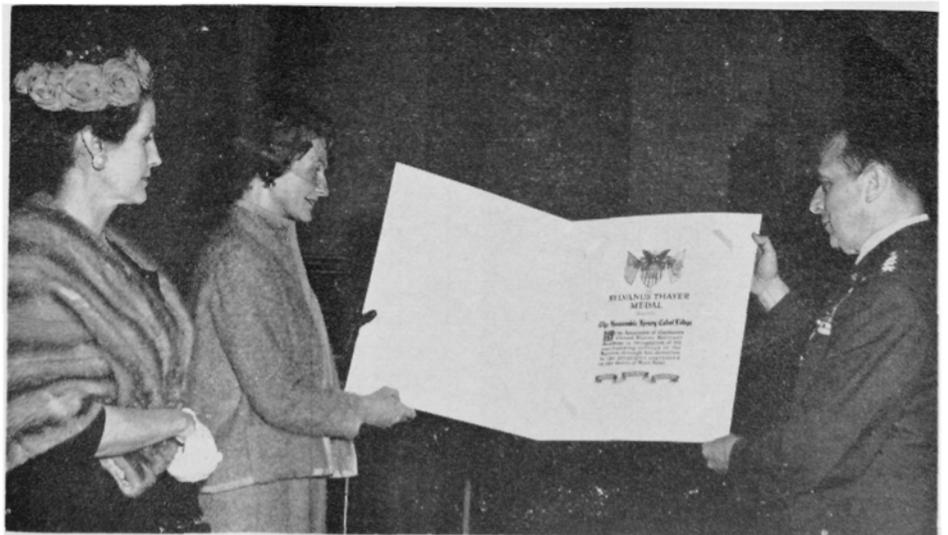
At the Benny Havens Hour, preceding luncheon, an informal reception permitted the graduates and guests to greet the recipient and Mrs. Lodge. Left to right: General and Mrs. Davidson are obscured by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Leone (Honorary '15), Mrs. Lodge is greeted by Col. Small ('15), General Lemnitzer ('20) congratulates Mr. Lodge, General McAuliffe greets Maj. Gen. Quinn ('33).



The headtable, left to right: Dr. Speers (Chaplain USMA), General Lemnitzer (C/S USA), Ambassador Lodge, Gen. McAuliffe (President, Association of Graduates, USMA), Lt. Gen. Davidson (Supt. USMA), Gen. White (C/S USAF), Msgr. Moore (Rector, Holy Trinity Chapel).



General Davidson welcomed the graduates, guests, and Corps of Cadets to the 158 Anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy.



General L. L. Lemnitzer, '20, Chief of Staff, US Army, shows the Thayer Medal Certificate to Mrs. Lodge.



General Anthony C. McAuliffe, President of the Association of Graduates, presents to the Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge the 1960 Sylvanus Thayer Medal.



Cadet Charles P. Otstott, First Captain USCC, congratulates Mr. Lodge.

## 1960 Sylvanus Thayer Award Citation

### HENRY CABOT LODGE

A dedicated American who has devoted his life to the many facets of our Government with constant emphasis on national security.

He is unique in the breadth of his experience in the legislative, executive, diplomatic and military branches.

As a member of the President's Cabinet for seven years, he takes part in shaping the course of the nation. In his post as permanent representative of the United States to the United Nations, he enunciates with unceasing vigor the eternal truths and beliefs cherished by all our people.

In his quick and effective defense of freedom, his stalwart voice is heard round the world.

A Major General in the Army Reserve he has had distinguished military service with combat units of the Army at home and abroad, in peace and in war.

His contribution to our nation exemplifies his outstanding devotion to "Duty, Honor, Country." Accordingly, the 1960 Sylvanus Thayer Medal is hereby awarded by the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy to Henry Cabot Lodge.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 12, 1960.

Dear Cabot:

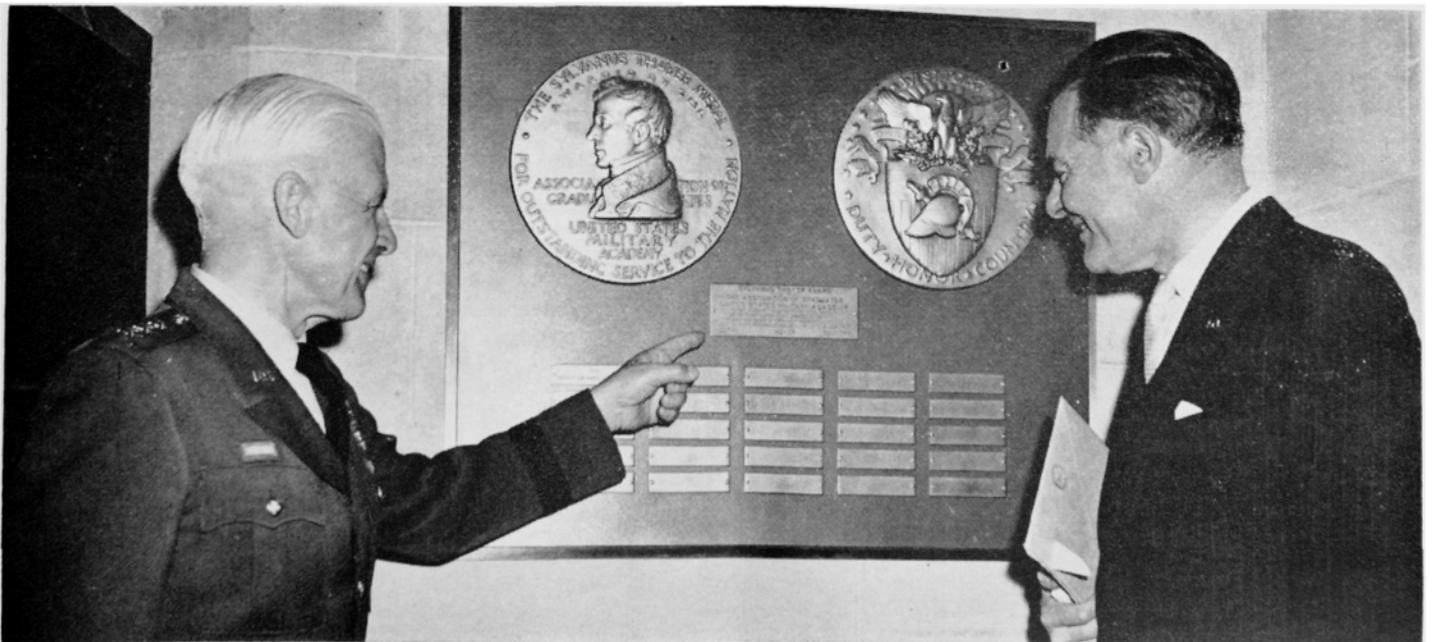
I was delighted to learn that you have been selected as this year's recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award of the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy.

As a former member of the United States Senate and, during the past seven years, the distinguished representative of the United States in the United Nations organization, you have performed services to our country of such value as to command admiration from all your associates in this government and from the public at large.

I applaud enthusiastically the Association's choice of the individual to receive its highest honor.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Superintendent shows Mr. Lodge the basis upon which the Sylvanus Thayer Medal is awarded.

# PROGRESS IN SIXTY



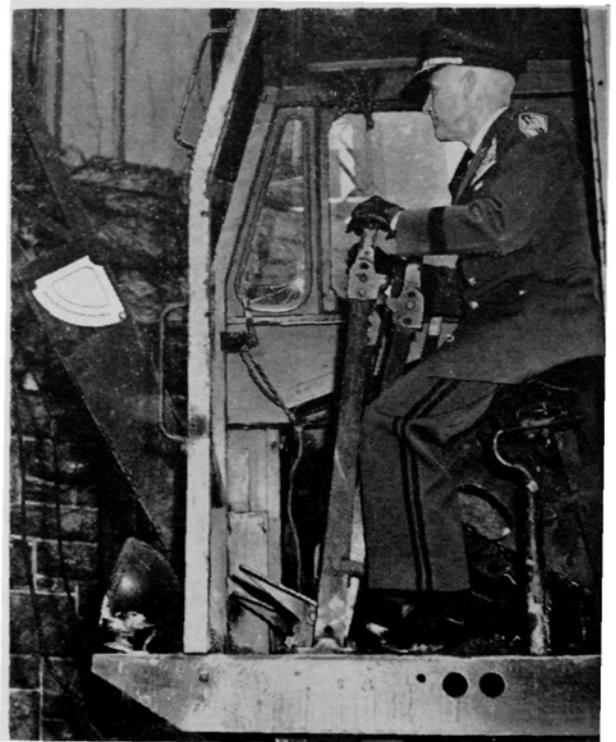
The "Old North Wing" of the Hospital as it has stood for seventy-six years.

The new Cadet Barracks will occupy the ground which the Old North Wing of the Cadet Hospital has occupied until now. Demolition started on 15 February 1960.

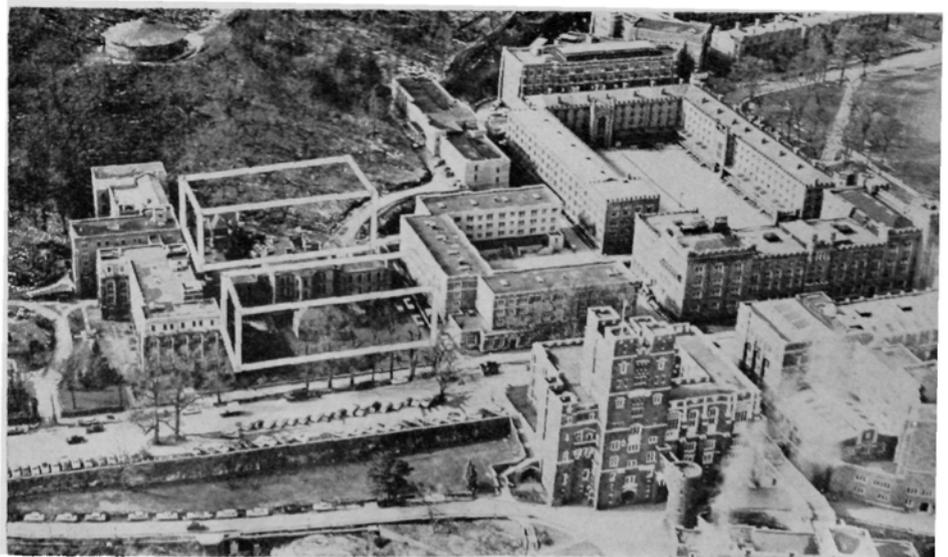
The Old Hospital had a long, memorable life. Construction was actually begun in 1874, but because of a lack of appropriations was suspended in 1876. The 1877 Report of the Board of Visitors urged Congress to appropriate sufficient funds for the Hospital's completion, and finally in 1884 after a last \$5,000 expenditure, the Hospital was completed.

Once completed, the Old Hospital served well. The 1881 Board of Visitors Report voiced concern that there was not an isolated ward for contagious diseases as "small-pox always exists in some of our largest cities" but the cadets seemed to like the old building. Wrote one (Cadet Charles Dudley Rhodes '89) in 1887 "... just had a good, two-day rest in the hospital. Had a very slight neurologic headache Sunday. Accordingly, I reveled in hospital luxury, Monday and Tuesday, with Flager and Wilson. . . . Hardly anything the matter with us, but we had some tall sleeping and ate the hospital steward out of a month's rations. . . .". The hospital apparently was not only an enjoyable place, but applied the very latest in medical techniques for the day. The same cadet wrote in 1889 about one of his friends, "Kirkman had been quite sick. . . . had pneumonia at first and his lungs seem seriously affected. . . . So they keep him pretty well filled up with cod-liver oil and whiskey. . . ."

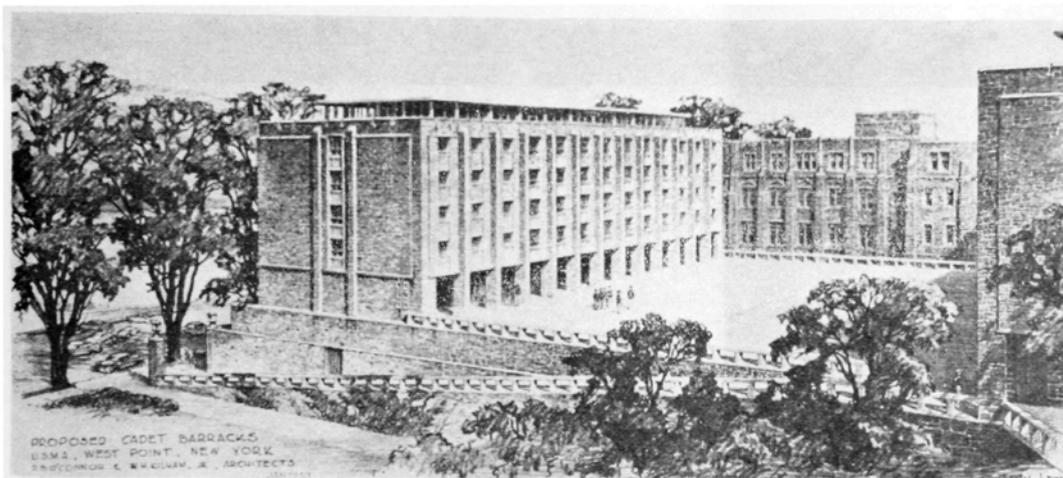
General Davidson takes the first swing as demolition of the "Old North Wing" of the Hospital begins.



The location of the new 263 Room Cadet Barracks in the heart of West Point. The West Barracks will be slightly wider than the East and will house three cadet companies versus the East's two.



The new Cadet Barracks as it will be seen in the Summer of 1962. At the left is the Hospital, to the right can be seen the corner of Grant Hall.

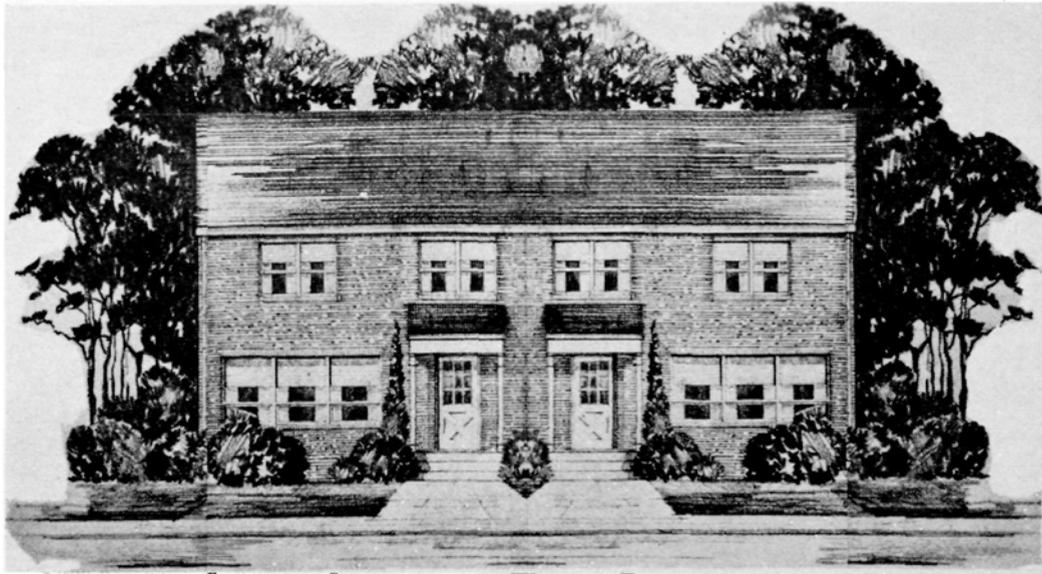


The formation area and the eastern barracks looking southeast. In the background is the Cadet Hospital. The sixth floor study and recreation rooms will be added if funds become available in the future.

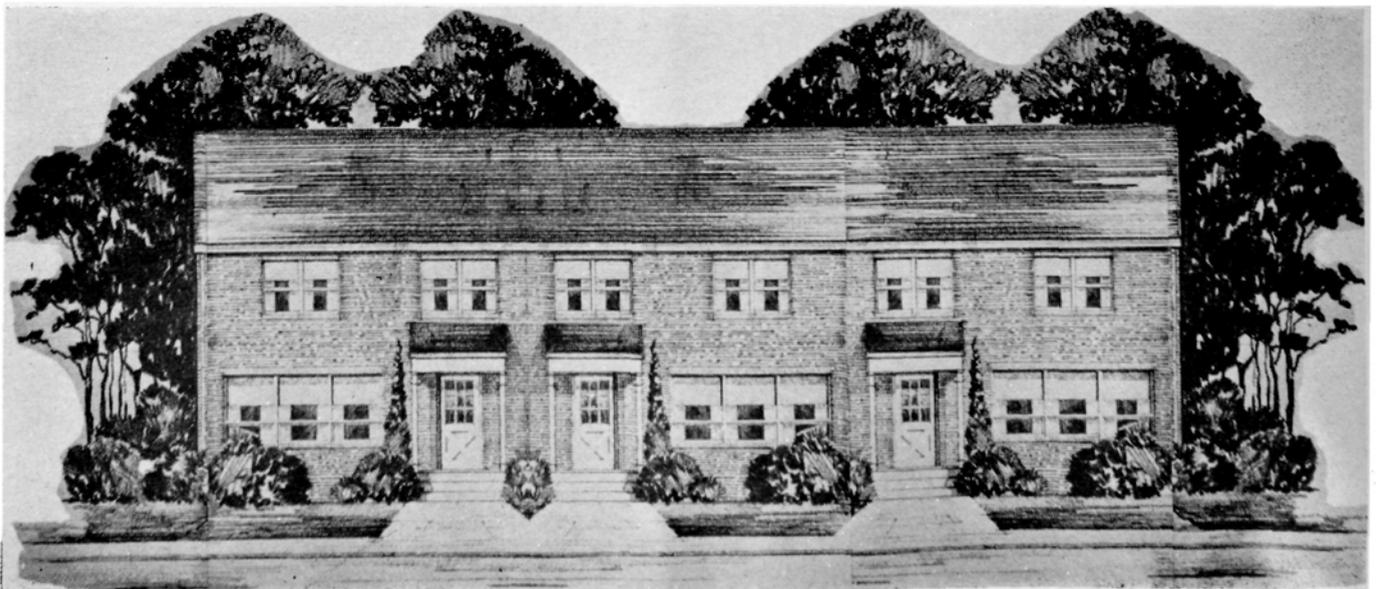
The occupants of the new barracks will be surrounded with modern furnishings. Each room will be capable of housing three cadets as shown. Two cadets will be the normal occupants, however.



Artist's conception of the new company grade housing area. The numbers are: 1—Merritt Road, 2—AAA Quarters, 3—Intersection of Merritt Road and Bartlett Loop, 4—East Moore Loop. The quarters on the right will overlook the river. The "Gray Ghost" quarters border the lower right portion of the picture.



Thirty-nine four bedroom duplexes (top) and twenty-six triplexes (bottom), each with two 4-bedroom and one 3-bedroom units will provide 156 quarters for company grade officers in the fall of 1961. The units will be of frame construction with brick veneer exteriors.



They say he pours off the top stratum of the oil and drinks the whiskey."

In 1923 with the completion of the present Cadet Hospital, the old Cadet Hospital became known as the "Old North Wing".

From 1923 on, the Old Wing served a very useful purpose. Among many of the activities located under its roof were the Hospital Post Exchange, Grey Ladies, Red Cross, Emergency Treatment Room, Cast Room, Cadet Examining Rooms, and Enlisted Men's Ward. All these activities will be re-located this year within the existing hospital or on the roof of the hospital annex (constructed in 1934).

As if to point its significance toward the future of West Point, the year 1960 was just a month old when new construction noises were heard at our rockbound Highland Home. On the 19th of February long undisturbed ground adjacent to the Old North Wing of the Cadet Hospital was broken to build the beginning of a new four million dollar, 263 room cadet barracks. Following but ten days later, on the 29th, virgin timber land to the southwest of our "Gray Ghost" quarters was opened to begin a new four and a half million dollar company grade quarters area.

By the summer of 1962, the scheduled completion date of the new cadet barracks, the heart of West Point will

have taken on a very new and imposing look. In place of the proud Old North Wing, the returning grad will see a modern Gothic stone barracks five stories tall which will appear to sit on top of a high stone wall. Upon closer examination, there will be found not one but two barracks, one sited squarely to the west of the first, both being accessible by a gently sloping ramp (heated in the winter), opening on a formation area with the usual area clock in the center.

The East and West Barracks will be similar in appearance. Each will have five floors of cadet rooms and a basement containing locker rooms, shower room, trunk rooms and mechanical rooms. They were planned to have study and recreation rooms on a sixth floor as is shown in the artist's original sketch, but shortage of funds necessitated the elimination of the top floors.

Together, the new barracks will provide 263 cadet rooms. The arrangement of these rooms within the building will be a distinct departure from the older barracks in that they will be arranged in a horizontal corridor system with rooms opening off the corridor as in the normal college dormitory. The West Barracks, being slightly wider than the East, will have two corridors per floor with three connecting stairways. The East Barracks

will have one corridor per floor with two stairways.

Each room will normally house two cadets, but will be capable of accommodating three in emergency conditions. The rooms will be furnished with modern furniture but in spite of this, the traditional austerity standards of the Military Academy will be continued in that each cadet will be allowed only 150 square feet of floor space in his two-man room. This, however, will represent a tremendous forward step inasmuch as more than half of the cadet corps is presently living three men to a room designed to accommodate only two. Completion of these barracks will permit the entire corps, for the first time in forty years, to be housed two cadets per room.

Keeping in pace with the barracks construction will be the new family quarters to be completed by the fall of 1961. They will occupy ground within the original boundaries of West Point to the southeast of the present "Gray Ghost" area. There will be thirty-nine duplexes and twenty-six triplexes totalling 156 units of quarters occupying this hillside area of 47 acres. These houses all face northward and most of them will have a beautiful view up the Hudson.

The usable living space inside of each unit will total 1,250 square feet, with an additional 190 square feet being provided for storage and utility space. All units will have hardwood floors and will contain a combination living-dining room, 12½ feet by 24 feet, a large kitchen, two baths, a trunk storage room, and a utility room with connections for clothes washers and electric dryers. The kitchen in each unit will be equipped with a twelve cubic foot electric refrigerator, a gas stove, ample cabinets and table top work areas. All bedrooms will be located on the second floors. There will be 26 three-bedroom and 130 four-bedroom units. Because of excavation difficulties, the quarters will not have basements. Heat for the quarters will be provided by individual gas fired, forced hot air furnaces. All units are designed to the maximum standards authorized by Congress for company grade officers.

When completed, these quarters will permit on-Post housing for all officers assigned to West Point. They will provide much needed on-Post housing for non-commissioned officers in the "Gray Ghost" area and ease the Off-Post housing shortage problem.



General Davidson begins excavation for the new quarters. Because of the roughness and rockiness of the terrain, strict construction and site preparation for each unit will be a large portion of the total cost of the project.

# The Proposed Curriculum

About a century ago, after paying tribute to the quality of our venerable Alma Mater, Sylvanus Thayer wrote, "All human work and institutions are imperfect. To stand still or not to advance is to retrograde. Our Alma Mater has done a good work and the Nation is proud of her, or ought to be. But this should not blind us to her shortcomings.

"That the Academy is susceptible of great improvement will be conceded by all as a general truth. But in regard to the particular improvements and their importance there will be a great diversity of opinion."

In the future our country will require in a variety of fields military personnel who are educated to a much higher degree than ever before. The problem we face now is one of determining how the Military Academy can best meet the complex and diverse challenges of the future, without sacrificing the demonstrated value of the proven basic curriculum.

From the time of Thayer until the early part of World War II, technical education in this country developed in an orderly evolution. The pace of the evolution was sufficiently slow so that it was adequate to school a student in the current state and practices of an art or a discipline. Educators found no great difficulty in meeting technological developments with corresponding changes in their courses of undergraduate and graduate instruction.

During the past two decades, however, the trends in technical education have changed radically. The recent expansion of knowledge in the engineering sciences and in the technological developments in engineering has placed a demand on the student for deeper penetration into his fields of study. The application of principles learned by the student crosses the boundaries of the traditional engineering and scientific disciplines and requires breadth of knowledge, as well as depth in a variety of technical fields.

There are no signs that these trends will diminish; rather they appear certain to expand indefinitely. This development raises the question of the feasibility of conducting an adequate course of instruction in the engineering sciences in the four undergraduate years unless major revisions are made in the present course content.

Requirements for our graduates are very different today from those of earlier years. As reflected in our mission, a broad education in the sciences is still required. A knowledge and competence in several fields of engineering (as opposed to the single field of Thayer's day) are necessary to support properly our research and development effort. Research and development is the foundation of technological growth, and it has replaced civil engineering as the principal field of technical interest to the Armed Forces. It would seem, therefore, that our technical in-

struction should be directed toward support of the Army's research and development program. And, in addition to meeting the varied technical demands of the Army, the broadest requirements of the services must be considered in making any changes. In the future the Armed Forces will have an even greater need than in the past for officers well grounded in the economic-political fields.

In the fall of 1956, these trends and requirements were reviewed by us here at the Academy. Our deliberations caused us to wonder what changes were necessary if our graduates are to meet the demands of the future with the distinction with which they have met the challenges of the past.

It was apparent to us that the Services require within their professional ranks a sufficient number of officers who can speak the language of the scientist. They are needed on the one hand to advise the scientist, in the scientist's own terms, of the needs of the Armed Forces; and, on the other hand, to keep the Armed Forces abreast of scientific developments of possible application to military problems. We also recognized the corresponding requirement for providing officers properly schooled in the Social Sciences, for military personnel are now expected to be knowledgeable in national and international affairs. The interdependence of the economic-political-military triumvirate is more pronounced today than ever, and requires an appropriate number of career officers with extensive experience in these fields.

These requirements necessitate the establishment of an adequate foundation at the undergraduate level. It seems obvious that if we are to prepare our graduates to meet these diverse and complex demands it will be necessary to take full advantage of the individual cadet's ability. To do this, we should provide him with a curriculum more flexible and more challenging than the one that has existed. The bright student particularly should be challenged to the greatest extent possible. At the same time, two things are evident. In the first place, we are well aware that any changes effected must not alter our primary aim of producing professional combat officers. This must remain our overriding purpose. Nothing should be done that would in any way curtail the development in our graduates of the basic military virtues: a high sense of duty, strong character marked by unquestioned integrity, a keen sense of discipline, and a strong motivation toward a lifetime of service. These virtues provide the underlying foundation of the military profession. Their establishment is the *raison d'être* of the Military Academy. In the second place, we recognize the need to retain the essential elements of the Academy's proven core curriculum.

With these cautions we went to work. Our first move was to solicit the experience and opinions of those who we felt were best qualified to speak—our graduates. From there, we went on to make an intensive study of the requirements of our graduates, past, present, and future. We also sought all the advice, both military and civilian, that it was practicable to obtain. From this background, we drew the conclusions on which we have based our plan.

The plan provides for a system of validation for advanced placement, for acceleration within and across department lines, and for a program of free electives. Such a plan affords the required flexibility and also an opportunity for the individual cadet to go as far and as fast as his natural abilities permit. These are demanding times. To keep pace with them, we must encourage each individual in search of an education to advance in accordance with his potential.

It seems to us that a better educated graduate will be produced if we take advantage of the individual's natural inclinations and aptitudes and in his later years at the Military Academy permit him some degree of choice in the areas of his major interest. Additionally, by permitting an individual to go deeper into an area of his own liking, we shall produce a graduate who will be more learned and better equipped to meet future requirements, regardless of the nature of his further educational pursuits.

We presently have in existence a system of intra-departmental acceleration which leads to advanced courses. This program was initiated over a decade ago and grew slowly until the Superintendent's curriculum review was begun in September 1956. Since then, the growth in time devoted to advanced courses has been about 300 per cent and the most gifted student can attain the credit equivalent of an additional year of study by accelerating the standard courses offered by the various departments.

Before proceeding with some examples of how our over-all plan works, a comment on validation is in order. Cadets enter the Military Academy with a variety of backgrounds. At present, approximately thirty per cent of our graduates have attended a college or university prior to coming here. Of this group, many have already successfully completed courses of instruction in subjects included in our curriculum. To preclude a cadet's needlessly repeating subject matter studied elsewhere, the various departments at the Military Academy will either offer validating examinations to cadets who already feel that they are proficient in these subjects or accept credit for those subjects taken at accredited colleges and universities. If the cadet successfully validates a subject, he will be permitted to take ad-

vanced work in the form of a required subject or an elective.

Electives may also be selected as a result of acceleration, or as a free choice. The area of electives is divided into two fields of concentration, the Mathematics-Science-Engineering field and the Social Science-Humanities field. The cadet will be counseled as to his opportunities to achieve depth in each of these areas, but he will be permitted free choice among subjects offered for which he is qualified. Through these opportunities the brightest students will be provided a chance to earn special recognition in the areas of concentration selected.

Prior to First Class year, after he has completed the prescribed courses, the individual cadet can take electives as advanced courses offered by the departments in his preferred field of concentration. Also, when he completes the prescribed subjects, he can move across department lines to take additional elective subjects in his chosen area or in another area. Upon reaching First Class year, every cadet will be provided the opportunity of taking several electives of his choice. For instance, a cadet who has a background of two years at a good technical college may be successful in validating Mathematics, English, Physics, and History so that he will be able to complete the required subject matter at a more rapid pace than the required curriculum demands. Thus, before the end of the Second Class year, he is free to choose electives from the list below to fill the time he has gained. For example, one graduate, measuring his experience against our plan, estimated that had our system existed in his day, he would have been able to take the courses marked with an asterisk in the list below. He would have been able, upon leaving Second Class year, to take further free electives. This particular officer indicated that he would have chosen three or four of those subjects marked with an †.

*Elective Subject*      *Presented by Department of*

*Advanced Calculus	Mathematics
*Fluid Dynamics	Mechanics
*Space Mechanics	Mechanics
*Science of Materials	Ordnance
*Great Novels	English
*Electronics	
Engineering	Electricity
†Theoretical Physics	Physics
†Physical Chemistry	Chemistry
†Intermediate	
Structures	Engineering
†Nuclear	
Engineering	Electricity

Similarly, a cadet, having had two years at a good liberal arts college, might validate his courses in English, History, and Fourth Class Mathematics, and be able to complete the first three years of the prescribed curriculum in approximately two. He also, through acceleration, could take some of the electives listed below the end of his Second Class year. One graduate who preferred the Social Science-Humanities field in a test case in-  
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icated that he would have chosen early to take the subjects marked below with a single asterisk. During his First Class year, this officer indicated that he would have chosen three or four of those marked with an †.

<i>Elective Subject</i>	<i>Presented by Department of</i>
*Advanced Language Study	Foreign Languages
*Comparative Economic Systems	Social Sciences
*Comparative Governments	Social Sciences
*Advanced History	Social Sciences
*Great Novels	English
†Comparative Military Systems	Military Art
†National Security Problems	Social Sciences
†Contemporary Literature	English
†Human Relations	Military Psychology and Leadership

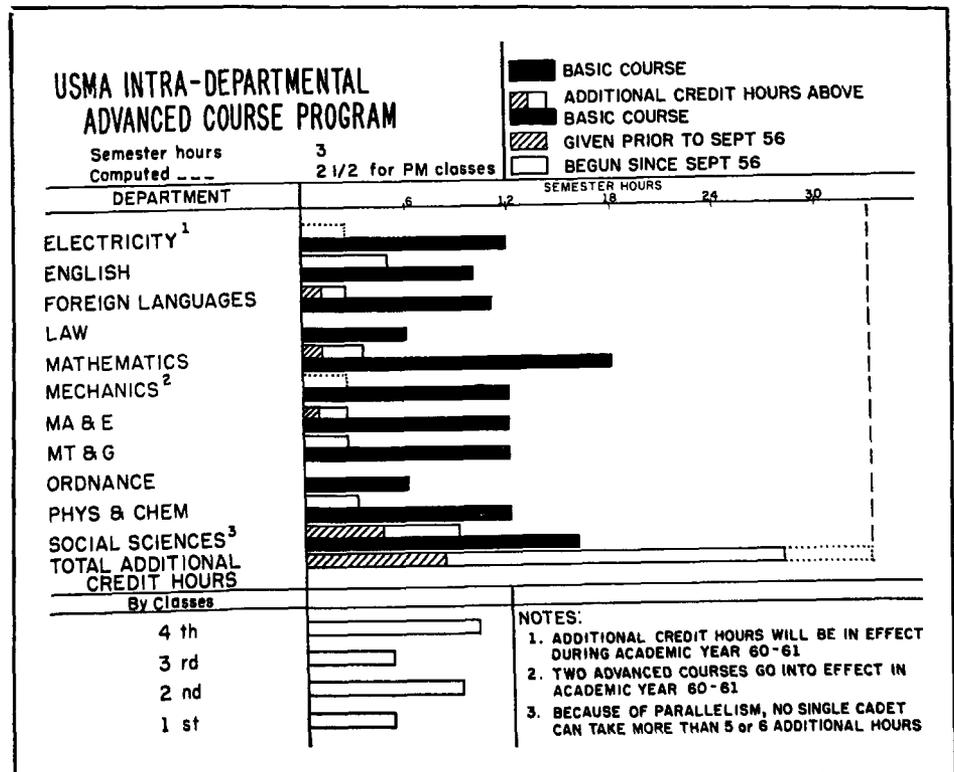
These two examples are exceptional cases and probably represent the maximum that can be achieved under our plan. Between these gifted few and those average students who choose to pursue the course identical to that now in existence will fall the majority of the cadets who will derive proportional benefit from the flexibility which this plan has to offer.

As already pointed out, if we are to meet the conflicting future demands, which place a heavy requirement for scientifically trained graduates on the one hand and reasonably accomplished social scientists on the other, we must obtain a greater flexibility in our curriculum. This can best be obtained by providing the time for electives during First Class year. This program would offer the student an opportunity during First Class year to branch out in the direction of his personal aptitude and preference. Certain adjustments in our curriculum will have to be

made to provide the time needed for electives for all in the First Class year. This can be done by moving the Third Class course in Geography, the Second Class course in History and the First Class course in Law to the Fourth, Third and Second classes respectively. Additional time for an elective or electives in First Class year was found by reducing the prescribed course in Civil Engineering.

The changes we plan will not overload any cadet, including the Fourth Classman. The proposed changes will add only five semester hours to the total four year curriculum. The addition of Geography every other day during Fourth Class year will fill a morning period held vacant but the luxury of which we can no longer afford. This change will merely bring the content of instruction in Plebe year to the level of freshman courses in other colleges and universities (including other Service Academies). There is no increase in difficulty in the courses presented to the Third and Second classes. The First Class year should be somewhat lighter because individual cadets will be able to pursue some courses in the areas they prefer.

The matter of the curriculum at the Military Academy, or at any college or institution for that matter, is a complex problem and one that is extremely difficult to cover in this limited space. The foregoing, however, will give some idea of why we felt that changes in the curriculum of the Military Academy were necessary, how we went about determining their nature, and what our final plan is. The changes are achieved without sacrifice of the traditional Thayer system of instruction, so essential to the development of the combat officer. We think these changes which are now being staffed in the Department of the Army are sound and will enable our graduates to meet the probable demands of the future as successfully as the members of the Long Gray Line have met the challenges of the past.



# ELECTRICAL SCIENCE AT WEST POINT

By LT. COL. E. C. CUTLER, JR., Professor

## The Age of Technology

The twentieth century has ushered in the age of technology. By comparison the previous century could be called the century of science. The difference is important to military men, because it is only when technology enables man to apply science to the development of weapons that the soldier has any interest in either. Thus Maxwell's equations, the scientific foundation of radio and radar, were propounded in 1864, but their application was not militarily significant until World War II. But today military application follows discovery within a handful of years, a fact which makes modern science and technology of immediate importance to the soldier. Yet the age of technology has barely begun.

Two areas of science and technology which have already contributed spectacularly to military applications are electrical science and nuclear physics. Each is the subject of courses offered by the Department of Electrical Engineering at West Point. The presentation of these courses must be related to the needs and interests of cadets as future officers, to their background and capabilities as second class cadets, and to the teaching philosophy of West Point. These needs have combined to produce a course that is unique in both content and method of presentation.



Demonstration equipment for photoelectricity lecture. In the upper right hand corner is the closed-circuit TV screen, on which is portrayed the small relay being photographed by the "TV Eye" camera in the foreground. The author is pointing to the recessed control panel of the TV system.



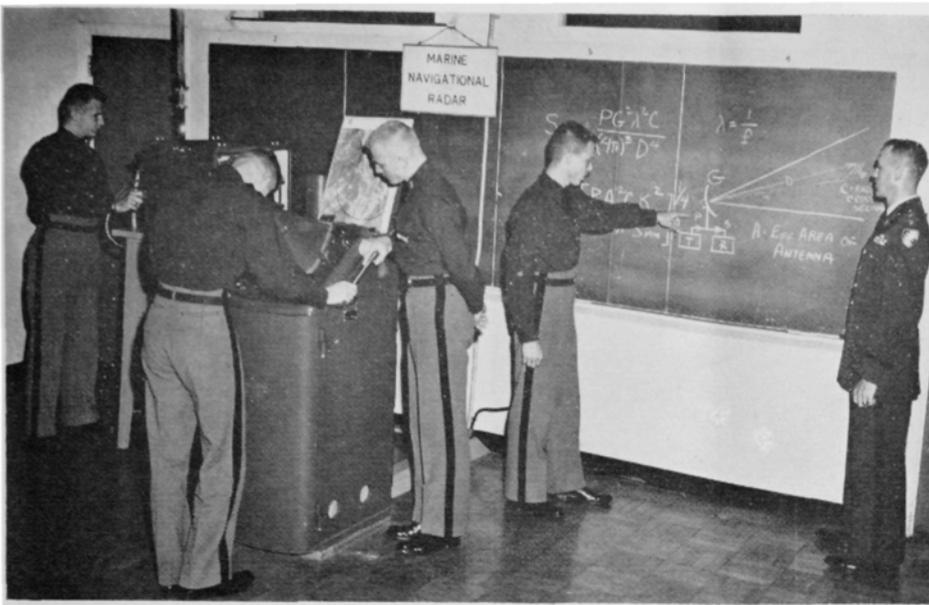
Classroom recitation. The instructor, Captain R. C. Morrison, is discussing semi-conductor diodes. In the background the use of such diodes in the power supply of a transistorized amplifier is illustrated on selected panels of the classroom demonstrator equipment.

## The Mission

The first factor which makes the department's course unique is the nature of the mission. Basically of course, it is to support the mission of the Military Academy in the appropriate academic sphere of interest. It has several corollaries, however, which tend to exert contradictory influences. One objective of the course is to inculcate the Thayer ideal of thoroughness. In accordance with this objective fundamentals should be stressed and thoroughly examined. It implies that the cadet should obtain a sound grasp of the mathematical methods of circuit analysis and should be able to solve quantitative problems of appropriate difficulty. This leads to developing the ability to analyze and to reason to a logical conclusion. An additional result of this approach is to lay a suitable foundation for possible future graduate civil schooling for the considerable number of cadets who may expect to undertake such study later in their careers. The second objective is to provide a background of information about the capabilities of electrical science and nuclear physics to contribute to military weaponry and materiel, and such other information as may be useful for the young officer taking up his duties in the Army. This objective is best fulfilled by a description of a number of electrical or nuclear devices of military utility, including those most likely to be encountered in service, a survey of the latest developments of potential mili-

tary importance, and a qualitative approach to understanding the way in which these devices operate. The conflict between the types of courses best suited to attain these two general objectives is evident, as is the fact that one cannot be set as the goal to the complete exclusion of the other.

The nature of the subject matter and the abilities of the students also combine to require a unique course. Both electricity and nuclear physics are quite abstract subjects in a sense. You cannot see volts, amperes, protons, or neutrons. Moreover, in electrical science the mathematics of circuit calculations involve the imaginary operator,  $\sqrt{-1}$ , which is fine as mathematics goes, but is difficult to associate with a real voltage; and the chief characteristic of modern physics is the quantum theory, in accord with which the elementary particles seem determined not to conform to the laboriously learned Newtonian mechanics. In the student cadets, on the other hand, there is a considerable range of aptitude for absorbing such abstract viewpoints, which is only what is to be expected when all are required to pursue the course. In addition the subject matter is quite pyramidal in its internal structure. Each subtopic taken up depends on the results of previous ones, and there is no point where a student has the opportunity to make a fresh start. If he gets appreciably behind in his understanding, he is faced with the difficult job of catching up with past material at



The Sperry radar set used in conjunction with radar instruction. The circle on the map indicates the area about West Point visible on the scope. In the background is the transmitter, from which the wave guide rises two stories to the antenna.

the same time that he is trying to absorb new material based on the material he has not yet mastered. These characteristics of the subject combine with those of the students to exert their effect in making the course unique.

### The Present Course Content

The subject matter covered by the department falls roughly into four courses:

- Direct and Alternating Current Circuits  
4 semester hours
- Direct and Alternating Current Machinery  
3 semester hours
- Electronics and Communications  
5 semester hours
- Atomic and Nuclear Physics  
2 semester hours

The semester hour used above as a unit for comparing the relative weights of the courses represents one hour per week of classroom attendance. Thus three 80-minute periods per week make up 4 semester hours.

From the point of view of length and coverage the electrical courses above are different from those offered at other schools. At most engineering colleges the service courses, those offered to non-electrical engineers, vary from two to eight semester hours, with mechanical engineering students generally taking the longer service courses, whereas at West Point the electrical course occupies twelve semester hours. On the other hand electrical engineering majors at engineering schools generally take a minimum of about 45 semester hours. Thus the length of our course falls between that of a major course and that of a service course at

engineering colleges. Its greater length as compared with the latter type of course is primarily due to the military importance of electronics, whereas at most engineering schools the service course is pitched toward the interests of mechanical engineers in rotating machinery and industrial machinery control. As compared with the course for EE majors in engineering schools the length of the USMA course is sufficient so that a graduate taking graduate civil schooling under the Army Civil Schooling Program can make up the necessary undergraduate courses in one academic year prior to undertaking the actual graduate courses in the second year, which is in accord with the current normal two-year schooling assignment policies in engineering subjects.

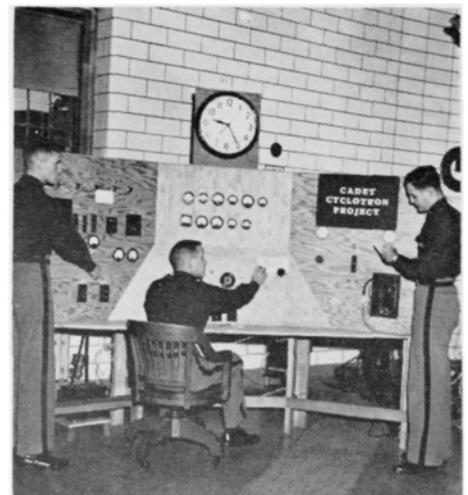
It is indeed unusual in the academic world to find the subjects of electrical science and atomic and nuclear physics brigaded in one department. On the other hand it is not at all unusual to find courses in solid state physics being taught in electrical engineering departments. In fact, this tendency has been increasing of late, and a number of texts specifically designed for such courses have been published. Their purpose, of course, is to lay a proper foundation for understanding the semiconductor diode, the transistor, and similar new devices, and necessarily they involve some exploration of the subject of atomic physics. At West Point the fortuitous circumstance of the presence of both subjects in the same department, originally established chiefly for administrative reasons, can now be turned to account in effecting a mutual support between the electrical

and atomic physics courses in the study of solid state electrical phenomena.

### Developments In the Courses

The circuits course provides the fundamental framework for the whole of electrical science. It is through circuits that all electrical devices, both electro-mechanical and electronic, are interconnected in such a way as to perform the functions for which they are intended. The presentation of this basic subject has changed less over the years than any other part; however, with the adoption last year of the present text, Fitzgerald and Higginbotham's *Basic Electrical Engineering*, a little more attention is being paid to circuit theorems and to transient circuit behavior. This course is the one in which the objectives of thoroughness, emphasis on fundamentals, analysis, the ability to reason, and the quantitative solution of problems can be most effectively pursued.

The machinery course has undergone considerable diminution throughout the years by the elimination of material pertaining to design, and now covers magnetic circuits and the operating characteristics of transformers, motors, and generators. These devices are still much in evidence in military equipment, and some understanding of their operation should be imparted in accord with the informational part of the mission. Treatment of these devices from the viewpoint of their linear equivalent circuits ties the subject in closely with the preceding work in circuits, and also provides a better background for possible later work in



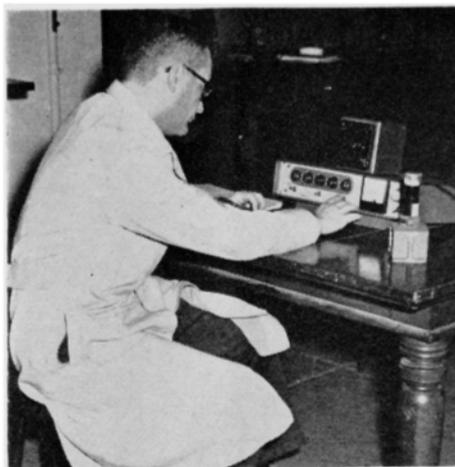
Cadet cyclotron project. The cyclotron is at the right; the 6-inch cyclotron itself is located between the pole pieces of the electromagnet which is energized by eight coils. The cyclotron project was initiated by members of the class of '59 following the lecture of the late Dr. Ernest O. Lawrence, recipient of the Nobel prize for his invention of the cyclotron, and of the Thayer Medal in 1958. It is being completed by Cadets Dwyre, '60, (center) and Gronich, '61, (at right).

the militarily important field of servomechanisms. At the present time only the upper sections, during the winter written general reviews, pursue a brief integrated introduction to servomechanisms and analog computers, but all later receive some treatment of servomechanisms in the first class Ordnance Engineering Course. Future developments will stress the fundamental principle of electro-mechanical energy conversion and the operating characteristics of rotating machines as revealed by their equivalent circuits, as contrasted with past concern with the identification and calculation of the losses arising from various details of machine construction.

The electronics and communications portion of the courses covers the most common electronic components of communications systems and a survey of the systems themselves. Some of the electronic components are treated analytically, with emphasis on the formulation and utilization of their equivalent linear circuits, while the communications portion is frankly qualitative. With the adoption this year of Everitt's new *Fundamentals of Radio and Electronics*, the transistor and the semiconductor diode have been integrated into the regular course. Previously, aside from a single lecture, this subject was presented only to upper section cadets during the spring written general reviews.

The electronics and communications course provides the opportunity for the greatest divergence between the upper section and lower section approaches to the material. Next year this capability will be capitalized upon by the introduction of an augmented course in electronics and communications for a selected group of qualified volunteers. They will use two new texts; Ryder's *Electronic Fundamentals and Applications* presents a more mathematical approach to the analysis of electronic devices and circuits than does the regular text, while Hershberger's *Principles of Communication Systems* offers a more sophisticated treatment of communications based on an introduction to information theory. The use of the latter text will represent the first time that information theory, a new field founded by Shannon in 1948, has been included in the course. The cadets who will pursue this augmented course will have gained the necessary time by completing the circuits and machinery courses at an accelerated pace.

The present two-semester (25-lesson) course in atomic and nuclear physics is a very brief survey of the



Nuclear Physics Equipment. Major H. A. Schulke, Jr., Associate Professor, turns on scaler which counts pulses from the Geiger-Muller tube mounted over a radioactive sample on his right. A dual timer is located on top of the scaler.

subject. The text is Oldenberg's *Introduction to Atomic Physics*, supplemented by some notes on fission, fusion, and reactors prepared by the department. Any discussion of nuclear physics, and consequently the present course must move at a very rapid pace, with consequent lack of depth, to reach its goal of implanting an understanding of the energy-producing nuclear reactions. Next year this course is scheduled to be expanded to the equivalent of four semester-hours as a result of the current USMA curriculum review. The added time will be divided between atomic and nuclear physics to permit consideration of this broad subject in greater depth, although the course will still be essentially a survey course, comparable to those offered non-physics majors at engineering colleges. Accompanying the expanded atomic and nuclear physics course will be the introduction of the first laboratory experiments in this subject performed by cadets at West Point.

### Philosophy of Instruction

In the presentation of course material the department seeks to present the subject matter to cadets from as many points of view, by means of as many forms of instruction, and through the medium of as many of the senses as possible. In taking up a new topic the cadet first of all reads about it in his daily study assignment. Next he discusses it with his instructor in the section room, where he may also deliver an oral front-board recitation on it. He may have the opportunity to hear the topic discussed and see it demonstrated in a lecture. He is required to write about it in the course of problem-solving at the blackboard, and to recall it after a period of time on the occasion

of a written review. Finally he is required to take action associated with the topic during laboratory experiments. Repetition obviously plays a key role, but the repetition is from a different viewpoint or through a different activity each time, avoiding the deadening effect of "repetitious" repetition.

### The Faculty

To apply such a philosophy of instruction to a large class, a process that may be described as "mass instruction with individual attention", requires special means in plant and faculty. The department now has twenty-two instructors, all of whom have received or are about to receive their master's degrees in an appropriate field of study; while the professors and associate professor hold doctor's degrees. The instructors, each of whom teaches sections of about fourteen cadets, have thus progressed far beyond their students and are able to present difficult topics from more than one point of view; a student who cannot "see" a topic from one viewpoint may grasp it readily when it is explained in a different way. The range of cadet aptitude for the subject is handled by the well-known method of arranging cadets in sections in accord with their demonstrated academic competence, together with the authorization of a wide latitude on the part of instructors in the method of presentation of the subject. Thus where appropriate, the approach can be mathematical and analytical, and where appropriate less important topics may be omitted from discussion in favor of concentration on more important ones. Our faculty is enthusiastic, alert, and well prepared to accomplish their task.

### Facilities

The department's facilities are designed to support the method of instruction. Least used is the lecture hall, as lectures are generally reserved for instances in which they can be supported by impressive demonstrations that would not otherwise be available to the student. Without such demonstrations an oral lecture to a group as large as half the class is relatively ineffective in technical subjects as compared with other methods of instruction, due to the spread in the rate of assimilation of technical matter on the part of different individuals. When one is studying a technical text he can stop and go back over difficult passages, but the member of an audience at a lecture does not have this option. The electricity lecture hall is equipped

with a closed-circuit TV screen and TV eye for showing to an audience the action of equipment too small to be accurately visible beyond the front row of observers without this aid; it is also equipped with a wide range of conveniently located voltage sources. It is still the most suitable locale for the department's lectures, although now it suffers somewhat in comfort and esthetic appeal as compared with the newer lecture rooms in Thayer Hall.

For classroom demonstration there are available in each electronics section room electronics demonstration sets designed by the Philco Corporation for the purpose of illustrating the action of the various basic electronic circuits concurrently with their discussion. As various new devices are introduced into the course, as in the case of the transistor, appropriate panels are added to the demonstration sets to back up the instruction. In the machinery section rooms power sources are available with which the Crowe demonstration machinery sets can be assembled on the spot to demonstrate in elementary form the various types of electric motors. Portable equipment, such as Wilson cloud chambers and cathode ray tube assemblies for illustrating the method of calculating the charge to mass ratio of electrons, are brought into nuclear physics classes at the appropriate stages in that course. Each instructor also has available a set of charts mounted on plywood boards depicting various electronics and physics equipment and associated graphs to aid his classroom discussions.

The laboratories, however, are the most unusual part of the instructional facilities in Electrical Engineering. Enough duplicate equipment set-ups are on hand so that one-eighth of the class can be accommodated at one time performing the same experiment in the laboratories, with a separate set of equipment for each group of from one to four cadets. Direct current voltages ranging from 4 to 360 volts may be distributed to any cadet position, and alternating current voltages of any frequency up to 18 megacycles can be distributed from a central oscillator by means of a coaxial cable distribution system to 120 individual cadet positions. Decoupling pads at each bench prevent a short-circuited radio-frequency source in one cadet's equipment from affecting appreciably the voltage supplied to the remainder of the laboratory class other than those at his immediate bench. Each cadet has a selection of six voltage outlets at his position, which allows a considerable

leeway to the department in designing laboratory exercises. Thus the class can all perform any given experiment in four days, and the experiments can be scheduled to follow closely the introduction of the related subject matter in classroom recitations. This is a very desirable result from the point of view of pedagogy, as it makes it possible to give a more physical meaning to some of the mathematically derived circuit properties. Each cadet performs 30 experiments during the year, so that the laboratories are in use about 60 percent of the time.

The laboratory exercises, which, in accord with the philosophy of instruction, are in the nature of self-conducted demonstrations rather than true experimental research, have undergone continuous modification from year to year. The most significant modification in the electronics course is the introduction to semiconductor diodes and transistors. Mr. Walter Strohm, the department's engineer for over 27 years, has designed a new laboratory "bread-board" to accommodate both transistors and vacuum tubes. It is superior in versatility to any found on the market today, and will accept miniature tubes as well as transistors. As the former are replacing the old standard large vacuum tubes in almost all modern electronic equipment, the electronics laboratory exercises are being revised to make use of the miniature tube.

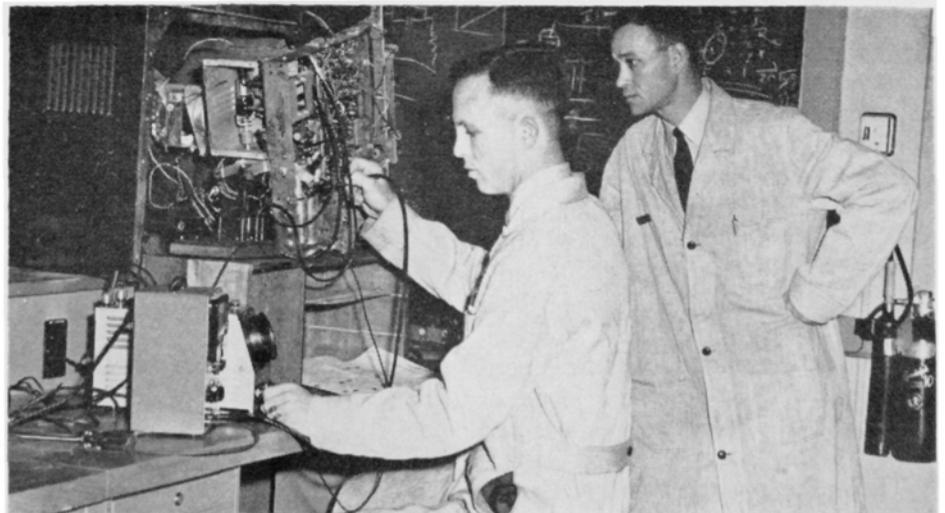
Another new laboratory item of local design is a micro-module mock-up for use in a transistor laboratory exercise. It is intended to portray the micro-module concept which has been developed at the Signal Corps Laboratories and which has such great potential for saving space, weight, and maintenance effort in military electronic equipment.

The scale is blown up about 200 times and standard plug-in laboratory circuit elements, two in each plastic wafer, are used instead of the deposited-film elements used in actual micro-modules, but the saving in volume over the corresponding "bread-boarded" circuits is noticeable, and the ideas of the standardized wafer and the method of interconnection are effectively portrayed.

For the atomic and nuclear physics course, new laboratory exercises are about to be introduced into the curriculum for the first time. The equipment for these exercises involves geiger tubes, scalars, and timers, and will be used in experiments to determine the operating plateau of the tube, background radiation, absorption coefficients of thin shields, and the half-lives of certain radioactive isotopes. (The latter must be selected with due attention to the two-hour length of laboratory periods). Equipment to measure gamma radiation spectrums is also being procured.

Some of the other more recent laboratory developments are shown in the accompanying photographs. Among them is the provision of a room and special equipment for cadet and officer projects. One of the most notable projects is the cadet cyclotron, currently approaching completion after two years of work by a dedicated group of cadets.

In summary we may observe that the unique nature of the courses presented by the Department of Electrical Engineering stem from the special requirements of its mission, its students, and its philosophy of instruction. The courses are carefully designed to take these factors into account, and we believe that they are successful in achieving their goals.



Special Projects Laboratory. Captains R. A. Koch, Jr., and E. L. Arnold, Instructors, check a television circuit, using oscilloscope and vacuum tube voltmeter. These and similar measurement equipment are used by cadets in this laboratory, which is also furnished with benches and convenient power sources.

# Vietnam Military Academy

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Over the centuries, and dating back to before the Christian era, many countries have played their part in attempting to dominate the small country of Vietnam. Though invaders may have been successful for periods of time, there have also been long interims of independence. In spite of 1100 years of foreign domination, Vietnamese cultural and racial unity has been preserved, though markedly influenced by China.

Although it wasn't until the 1870's that Vietnam came under French governmental control, the Catholic Church had first showed interest in the country through Monsignor Alexander of Rhodes in the 1600's. Vietnam remained French dominated until its occupation by the Japanese during World War II. Even then, the Japanese left the country nominally in the hands of the French through the puppet Vichy government in France.

At the time of World War II, Vietnam consisted of three sections: Tonkin in the north, a mountainous area; Annam in the central area, a combination of mountainous country and lowlands; and Cochin China, at the southernmost tip of the peninsula and including the delta area of the Mekong River. It is here that the country has its greatest production of rice. The City of Saigon is located in Cochin China and this city is the economic and political hub of South Vietnam.

Most of the population is spread out over the coastal and delta area, concentrating their efforts on the cultivation of rice. This crop has been the main resource and primary product for export and brings in most of the revenue of the country.

The mountainous areas are covered with jungles through which roam tigers, elephants, wild buffalo, and other beasts. The Mois, a group of nomadic tribes are the main inhabitants of these sections of the country and in many aspects they remind one of the American Indian in appearance, mode of living, and the primitive weapons and tools they use.

There is a sparse network of French built roads and highways; however, the Mekong River with the smaller rivers and streams which join it, is the major

artery of transportation. The jungles are traversed by the Mois by means of typical jungle pathways.

As a result of the Geneva Conference in 1954 the 17th parallel was made the boundary between Viet Minh (North Vietnam) under complete control of the Communists; and Vietnam (South Vietnam) under the control of the French. By this division, Viet Minh consisted of Tonkin and the northernmost portion of Annam. Cochin China and the remainder of Annam up to the 17th parallel became Vietnam. In October of 1955, France reluctantly gave up control and Vietnam was proclaimed a republic with Ngo Dinh Diem as its President and Chief of State. He was re-elected by the people in 1956 and holds the office today.

At the time the new Vietnam government was established, the country was still in the throes of recovery from the war; economic conditions were chaotic and dissident groups held many areas of the nation.

The Vietnamese Army was in the process of reorganization as the French Army began evacuating the country. The French government and economic officials were also preparing to return

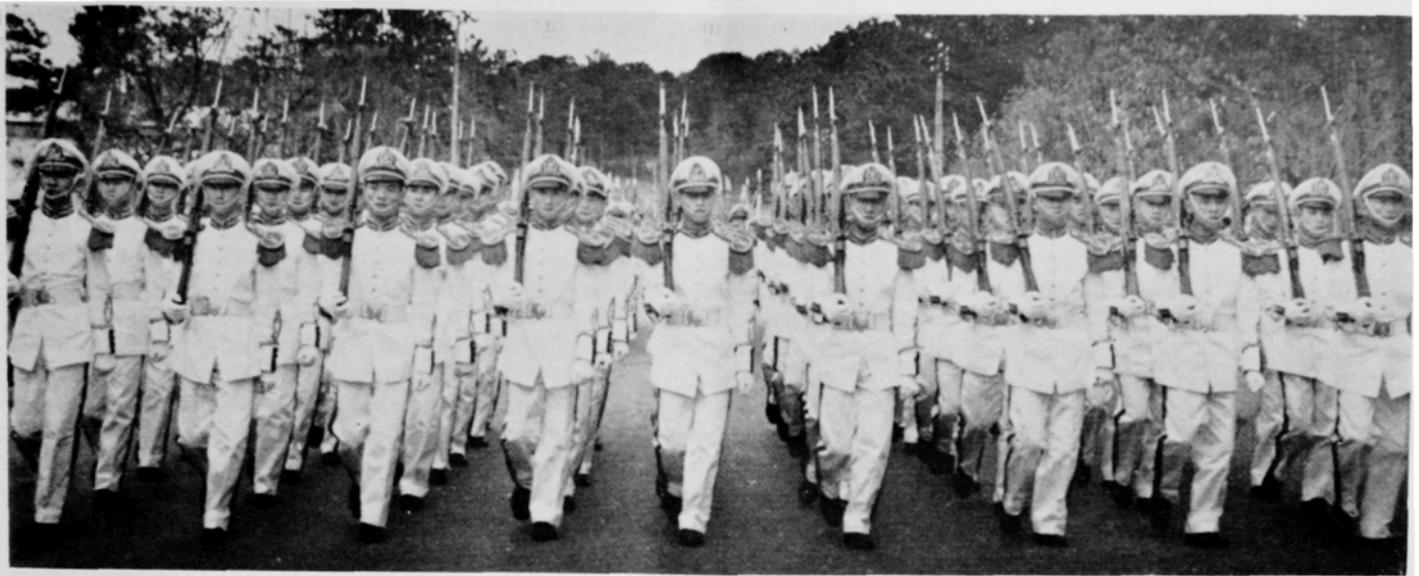
home as the Vietnamese took over these aspects in the ruling of their own people. The three main divisions of the population—Vietnamese, the Vietnamese refugees from the north, and the hardy Mois mountain tribes—did not entirely trust nor have confidence in each other. Self government was a vital new experience for them all.

In the struggle for world domination by Russia, Vietnam is geographically situated in a strategic military position. Thus it is under constant pressure and threat from the Communists. It is vital to the western world that this small republic be supplied with an adequate army so that her pro-western government will be protected. This is especially true during these formative years when the nation is just getting its bearings as a republic; bringing the various racial elements of its population together as true citizens of Vietnam and fusing them into an entity with a common purpose; eliminating the graft and corruption that have been rampant throughout the country; and stabilizing the economy and the government. To accomplish this, it is essential that energetic leaders be developed among the Vietnamese. The people must be inculcated with pride in defending their country's ideals and its honor. Vietnam will then be in a better position to help preserve the peace and to withstand outside invasion.

The French had established an officers' training school at Hue', the ancient capital of Vietnam, to train Vietnamese officers for the French Union forces. In 1950 this school was moved to its present location in Dalat, a resort city situated on the High Plateau of central Vietnam. Dalat is the permanent site for the Vietnamese Military Academy. The school was named L'Ecole Militaire Intre-Armes (School of Combined Arms) and was patterned after Saint Cyr, the famous French Military Academy. Officer instructors were assigned a platoon of students and trained these young men in the profession of arms. The instruction was similar to that taught in the U.S. Officer Candidate Schools during and subsequent to World War II. As at Saint Cyr, entrance requirements were based on a prescribed standard academic education, as well as enlisted service



Lt. Col. Nguyen-van Thieu, Superintendent.



Corps of Cadets on Parade.

in the Army, and the student received no further academic instruction.

As the fighting in Vietnam continued during the 1948-54 period and more and more graduates of the school became combat experienced, the French instructor staff was replaced by Vietnamese officers. A small staff of French commissioned and non-commissioned officers was retained as advisors to the Vietnamese command and instructor personnel.

In 1950 the French and the government of Vietnam had requested military aid from the United States. Although we sent no troops, we did supply weapons and financial assistance. After the 1954 Geneva conference, a MAAG was organized in Vietnam. It was under the auspices of the MAAG that three United States officers joined the French Advisor Group at the School in 1955. These officers were Colonel J.A. Cook, '40; Captain L.D. Robb; and Captain L. A. Patrick.

The school was also going through its own transition period as its personnel became equipped with weapons and vehicles from the United States and the training methods and facilities of the U.S. Army were introduced. The cooperation among the United States, French, and Vietnamese officers during this phase was remarkable. They all devoted themselves loyally to work for the good of the school and its mission. As French forces in Vietnam departed, the number of French advisors at the school was reduced proportionately. In April of 1956 the last French Officer left Dalat, justifiably proud of the accomplishments his Army and its officers had performed in the establishment of the school.

It soon became evident to Lt. General Williams, who headed MAAG in

Vietnam, that an academy patterned more like West Point should be established in Vietnam. This idea met with immediate concurrence by the United States advisors. They all realized that, though the Saint Cyr system was most satisfactory as a means of training the French Army officer, a school more nearly like West Point would be of vast help in insuring the continued growth of Vietnam.

The country of France has many schools of higher learning that have been in existence for centuries. They have, therefore, the necessarily large group of well educated men from which to draw their officer personnel. In contrast, the country of Vietnam more nearly approximates the United States at its birth. As Vietnam had only one institution of higher learning (two others are now in the process of establishment) so we, as a young country, lacked colleges and universities. As our great Western frontier contained tremendous natural resources, so the mountainous jungle country of Vietnam possesses untouched reserves of minerals and timber. Our forefathers recognized that education was essential if we were to realize the great potential of our nation. The United States Military Academy came into being not only to assure the proficiency of the cadets in coping with and solving military problems, but also the engineering problems that would be encountered as our nation grew and opened up the undeveloped territory in the West. Army officers would have to garrison the frontiers, and men with technical education were essential to evolve methods of extricating our abundant supply of resources from their natural state. Like Vietnam, our economy was originally agrarian, and it was not until

our engineering experience, general technological knowledge, and transportation facilities increased coupled with the industrial revolution that we emerged as an industrial and political power.

With this knowledge in mind, and an analysis of the conditions that faced the young republic of Vietnam, the American officers recommended a gradual transition of L'Ecole Militaire Intre-Armes from a purely professional training school to an institution dedicated to leadership and education. The spirit of adventure would be inculcated into the cadet so that he could take his place in the history of the Vietnamese nation which would roughly correspond to the position the West Pointer had in developing our nation over 100 years ago.

In 1955 Colonel Cook fell ill and was evacuated to the United States. He was replaced by Lt Colonel J.W. Armstrong, Jan '43, in August of that year. Early in 1956, the General Staff, Vietnam Army, approved the concept of converting the school into a Military Academy. Plans were made to institute a two year course which would include academic subjects.

However, there were multiple problems to be faced by Lt Colonel Nguyen van Thieu, the Superintendent. The augmentation of the physical plant was essential for the proper execution of the planned changes. A French Army hospital located immediately adjacent to the school was annexed on the departure of the French troops. Thus buildings became available for adequate barracks, mess, library, theater, and classrooms. However, there were still decisions to be made about the curriculum and the textbooks, and adequate professors had to be found.



Cadet Barracks.

Under Lt Colonel Thieu's command, progress in the organizing of the Academy continued at a fast rate. Cadet organization was set up basically as it is at West Point. A distinctive cadet uniform was adopted. Laboratories are scheduled for construction; new buildings are under consideration; a four year curriculum modeled after West Point's was approved; and Lt Colonel Thieu planned to acquire the necessary ranges for a summer camp. In April 1959 Brig Gen Le Van Kim replaced Lt Colonel Thieu. Under the new command the program for building and developing the Vietnamese Military Academy is proceeding at a rapid pace.

All institutions that train young men develop customs and traditions, over a period of time, which help inspire the idealism and loyalty that is so much a part of youth. The French Army, with its glorious past knew the value of early establishment of customs and traditions. They also knew, as a colonial power, the necessity of establishing those which are characteristic of the native people. Some of those introduced in the Academy had their beginning with the French military customs; some are similar to those at West Point. However, the officers and cadets have made them all their own by interpreting them through Vietnamese culture—using their own native symbols.

Since many graduates of the Vietnamese Military Academy were killed in the fighting in Vietnam from 1948 to 1954, one of the first actions of Lt Col Thieu on assumption of command as Superintendent, was to construct a monument or shrine to the war dead. Located on the parade ground the shrine is the focal point of many ceremonies. An oil burning urn at the base of the shrine signifies the burning zeal for duty that the dead have passed on to the living.

La Salle D'Honneur is unique and different from anything at the USMA.

It is a combination of a Trophy Room, a Museum, a memorial hall, and a Chapel. The walls are lined with show cases containing athletic trophies, ancient armor, and weapons. There are also battle flags, oriental statuettes, and plaques with names of distinguished graduates and cadets. Only very distinguished guests are invited into this room. Entry is marked with reverence and respect and though senior cadets are permitted entrance, it is only on rare occasions. In the eyes of the Vietnamese officers and cadets, this room symbolizes the spirit and dedication of the Vietnamese Military Academy to the nation and its people.

At West Point we have the Plebe Hike which concludes the summer training for the Fourth Class. They are then presented to the Corps at a Brigade Retreat Review. At the Vietnamese Military Academy, before a new cadet can become a full-fledged member of the Corps, he must take a hike of three days duration. There is a mountain peak which towers four or five thousand feet above the plateau and is some twelve miles from the Military Academy. New cadets are hiked to the foot of this peak; there they bivouac and climb the mountain on the following day. They return on the third day and that evening are accepted into the 800 man Cadet Corps.

Just prior to graduation, there is the equivalent of the West Point graduation supper. At this event, the graduating class, utilizing their great talent for mimicry, picks out the outstanding humorous characteristics of the officer instructors. Using these as a basis, they put on a short skit in the nature of a satire. In turn, the officers who are the target of the skit must sing or dance for the entertainment of the class.

Each class traditionally puts on what is roughly the equivalent of the 100th Night Show at West Point. However, instead of a musical comedy, the show is generally a re-enactment of one of the ancient battles in the history of Vietnam. As the road to invasion in ancient times was usually by sea and in the delta area of the Mekong, these battles most generally are naval engagements. One of the most noted of these victorious engagements came in the 13th Century when the Vietnamese successfully resisted the invasion of the Mongol Army of Kubla Khan.

In May 1956, Lt Col Oswalt '41, replaced Lt Col Armstrong. He, in turn, was replaced by Lt Col Dannemiller '39. Later Lt Col Scott '39 came to Vietnam to replace Lt Col Dannemiller. Under the above officers,

the concept of a Military Academy which would produce educated leaders for the Vietnam nation has been fostered, urged, and worked for. These officers, as senior United States advisors to the Vietnamese Superintendent and his staff, have helped in the planning and advising. They have made many specific contributions including the improvement of the physical military training program; construction of rifle and machine gun ranges; instituting obstacle courses; setting up a course in the use of the bayonet; working out an efficient management of the motor pool. Many other improvements are still in the formative stage.

The MAAG headquarters in Saigon has constantly supported the Superintendent of the Academy and his United States advisors in their far reaching plans. President Liem has, in turn, thrown his power and influence behind all phases of the project. The four year curriculum was approved and the first four year class entered the Vietnam Military Academy in 1958. This was a moment in the history of their country of which all its people can well be proud.

The following West Point Graduates have also served at the Vietnam Military Academy as members of the staff of the United States Senior Advisors:

Maj JL Butterfield, June '43  
 Maj JE McCarthy, '45  
 Capt LD Carter, '48  
 Maj JV Christy, June '43  
 Maj JW Cain, June '43  
 Maj RB Armstrong, '45  
 Capt TZ James, '51  
 Maj SM Staszak, June '43 (died in Dalat, April '59)  
 Capt JR Miller, '48  
 Capt AM Sargeant, '48  
 Capt E Peixotto, '51  
 Capt GM Wilhide, '48



Monument to the War Dead.

# Military Career Versus Civilian Dream

By MAJOR P. D. PAVICK, GS, ODCS Pers, Dept. of the Army

"What civilian experiences induced you to return to a military career after resigning your commission?"

This question was recently asked of a group of former Regular Army officers—predominantly USMA graduates—who, for various reasons had resigned their commissions and turned to a civilian career. Given the opportunity under newly developed regulations\* each of these officers, after experiencing civilian employment, has applied again for reappointment in the Regular Army. In an effort to find out what induced these officers to select a military career for a second time, letters were sent to each asking the above question. Further, they were asked to give advice they felt should be passed on to officers who now may be considering resigning from the service.

Practically all of the officers who replied advised that any officer contemplating resignation should first "take a long leave before making that final decision to resign." It was pointed out that despite the new regulation it is still a lot easier to get out than to get back in, and despite careful consideration, invariably certain important elements either are not considered or are not given their true weight of importance. Here are some of the major points, appearing frequently in the replies, which need careful consideration during this period of reflection.

1. Will your life as a civilian have purpose that provides the inner satisfaction of contributing to a worthy goal? This purpose cannot be replaced by a potential or actual salary increase.

2. Are you prepared to give up the scope of job responsibility which comes early in a military career but which is achieved only in the later stages of civilian employment?

3. After the national and international scope of a military career, the more narrow provincial existence encountered in civilian life leaves a void difficult to fill.

4. The close-knit military community and friendships can never be duplicated by the civilian community made up of neighbors from various social

levels and employed in totally unrelated fields.

It appears that the one greatest personal failing which so often leads to an erroneous decision to resign is the inability of the average young officer to objectively compare the two career fields due to a lack of experience in civilian employment. Too often the change in careers is seen through rose-colored glasses, viewing only the many advantages so often expressed in job recruiting literature. The disadvantages of civilian life, particularly the smaller little annoyances which when in sufficient number become a major problem, are far less apparent than the disadvantages of military life which during this time of crisis tend to become exaggerated.

Lack of personal experience can best be overcome by applying experiences of others in like circumstances. It is for this reason that the following extracts of letters from officers who completed the cycle of experiencing both military and civilian career employment is presented.

*Life Must Have Meaning and Purpose.* The following remarks indicate that the civilian career of this officer failed to provide this vital element.

"The grass has looked greener on both sides of the fence to me. Having tried the Regular Army and civilian life, I am now trying to return to the Army. The Army is a way of life that I felt at home in and after three years of civilian life I have never had the feeling that I 'belonged' . . . The pay, security, retirement, travel, and many fringe benefits are important to me. However, they are not the reasons a man selects a life-time career. Each individual must satisfy his own conscience that his life has meaning and purpose.

"The Army life is not a soft one. Physical and mental duress are sometimes great. But the creed of Duty, Honor, and Country are values that extend beyond the moment. They cannot be valued in dollars and cents. I'll admit I thought little of tradition when I got out of the service. I could not see beyond my immediate harrassed situation. Had I taken a long vacation to regain perspective, I would probably still be in the Army today.

"Many of my friends on active duty would get a laugh out of my serious

ramblings, but many of them are now worrying over the same decisions I have made. I only hope they take a long leave and think it over. It is a lot easier to get out than I thought and a lot harder to get back in."

The following officer was *Searching for the Ideals and Idealistic Organization Found at West Point.*

" . . . When I arrived at the Academy in July 1949, I had completed two years of civilian college . . . but many of my classmates had only completed high school, and did as well in academic work. What all of us lacked, with the exception of a small percentage, was the experience of working in a professional status in any career, military or civilian . . . very few had the opportunity to view military life in a professional status, from civilian life, in comparable status.

" . . . There is no finer education in the world, in my opinion, than the one that has been given to graduates of the Military Academy, but it has one major disadvantage. This disadvantage lies in the fact that a graduate has spent four years under a tried and established system; . . . The smoothness of this organization cannot be reproduced by all of the field units to which the graduate may be assigned, and the transition from one to the other often makes him feel that many of the reasons for the field unit being less productive are entirely unnecessary. In civilian life, however, it is soon apparent that these problems, and lack of an ideal organization, are just as evident. Complaints against the supervisors of civilian jobs are not as personal as those in the military, simply because the work day and the social day are seldom tied together as they are in the service. Administrative difficulties in civilian life are just as numerous as those in military life. . . .

" . . . There was a disillusionment on my part that many of my contemporaries in the service did not share my views of professional ethics, both in regard to personal conduct, and in handling those personnel whose life in that particular military community depended upon their decisions. This was just as true in civilian life, but less evident for two major reasons; first, that the military is a way of life, rather than just a profession which involves these personnel not only in

\* In 1957 DA Circular 601-12 authorized former RA officers who resigned their commissions to apply directly for reappointment in the RA. These provisions have since been incorporated into AR 601-100.

their job assignment but in their entire life. Secondly, that civilian life is geared to a single and very simple standard, the motive of profit. A single standard that is only necessary until five o'clock whistle blows is explained very simply in dollars and cents. When civilian industry does involve itself in more than just the work day, i. e., employee benefits, insurance, outside activities, etc., the same elements of discontent rise.

“. . . I believe those individuals who have become very successful in civilian life would probably have been even more successful in the service. Any man who ever has or will accept an appointment to the Academy should realize that he is accepting a way of life. . . . Those who . . . graduate from the Academy, have demonstrated an ability to adapt to it. Transition to civilian life is a complete reversal of an individual career choice, and usually based on factors of dissatisfaction that do not come from the basic differences in the career fields, but from elements that are less obvious in civilian life.” . . .

The following remarks indicate that this USMA graduate of '53 found that *Dreams of Civilian Advantages Vanish With Realities of Experience*.

“. . . my remarks will be most applicable to . . . sons of service personnel and those who had no civilian job experience prior to their entry into the Military Academy.

“Basically, my reasons for tendering my resignation on 20 November 1956, were as follows:

1. I felt a certain frustration at not being permitted to do a 'job' properly. This was due primarily to my own perfectionist tendencies which were further ingrained by West Point.

2. The apparent lack of control over my career . . . having had interesting assignments, I was unable to adjust to one I disliked.

3. The promotion system based on strict longevity appeared to offer little opportunity for recognition. I naturally fell into the class of young officers who felt that they were "fireballs."

4. Lastly, but of equal importance, was my desire to provide for my family 'the better life.' Civilian life was to give us more money, permanency of location and increased social position.

"I secured a fine job as a tool and machine designer (mechanical engineer.) For about a year we fully enjoyed our new status. I was interested in my work because it was something entirely new to me. My family enjoyed having me return from work at

a specified time. After this 'newness' began to wear a little, we compared our military life with our civilian one and jointly decided to attempt re-entry into the Army. Our reasons were as follows:

1. . . . I enjoyed my job until I felt that I had learned it well, but the prospect of spending several years at the very same job held little appeal. I finally had all the time I needed to do the 'perfect job' as I had desired, but boredom had an undesirable effect on the quality of my work. . . .

2. . . . I felt no real control over my civilian career. The emphasis is placed on a dollar return on an individual's particular training. By this I mean that two year's training as an engineer requires that the company utilize that individual at the same or closely related job for another four to five years. Very few individuals can vary their experiences extensively in the same company.

3. The weekly pay check looked fine until I found that my savings were diminishing due to taxes, commuting expenses, and high food, rental and medical costs. In other words, high pay is desirable only when it represents greater net buying power.

4. The real 'clincher' which finally decided our course of action was centered around this 'vine covered cottage.' The diversity of occupations represented by as many neighboring houses does not facilitate a close community society. I could talk to my next door neighbors about their day at the office and mine for about a half hour, but then . . . a common ground for talk was lacking. My military experience had so broadened my views that I should have liked to discuss politics and occurrences throughout the world. These topics held little interest for my neighbors. . . .

. . . Civilians are, and naturally so, provincial in their views. The community inter-relationships within the Army are based upon the fact that everyone is away from 'home.' This tends to pull Army neighbors closer together. The diversified occupational interests in civilian communities promotes just the opposite tendencies.

"Finally, if you aspire to a large income, . . . one point to be remembered, . . . is that only 10% make the large incomes and this 'great green' doesn't start rolling in until a man's middle 40's. Most of us who dream of high incomes want to be able to spend it in the 'fire and zeal' of youth! Even this high income group will attest to the fact that there must be a higher purpose in life."

### *Can Civilian Life Give You the Challenge and Variety of a Military Career?*

. . . "The main reason I returned to the Army was the challenge and variety the Army offers to a young and even older officer. When the Chief Engineer of the plant I worked in called me into his office one day after hearing that I was contemplating returning to the service, he said, "Frankly, I can't see why you wish to go back to the Army." I answered by saying, "Sir, (holdover, I guess) the only job in this department (about 100 engineers and 50 clerks) that compares to a company commander's job in the Army is yours and it would take me several years to be where you are." This raised his eyebrows, but it's the story in a nutshell.

". . . Another main consideration was the vast possibilities for personal advancement in education. The career of an officer is designed to increase his intelligence and effectiveness. Aside from the career program, the ambitious individual can avail himself of numerous educational facilities.

". . . As to my advice to young lieutenants, . . . if you are thinking of leaving the Army—think twice—civilian life is not what it is cracked up to be.

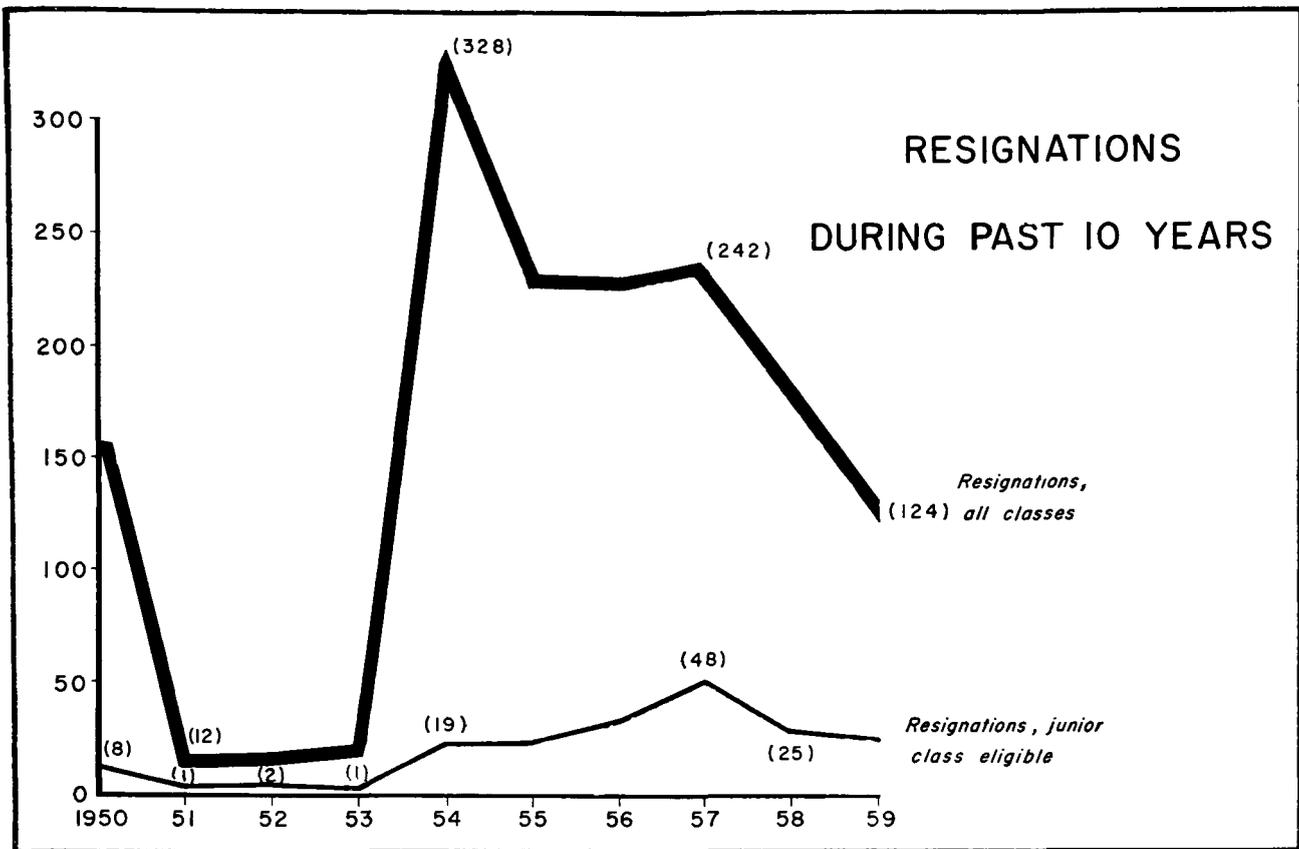
### *Full Advantages of Army Life Not Appreciated*

"My resignation from the Army was not based upon discontent or dislike for the military way of life. . . . Primarily my decision to resign stemmed from a family situation which I felt obligated to investigate.

". . . not long after returning to my home town . . . I realized the vast change in my attitude toward living there, during the seven years I had been away in school and service. I had some doubts about spending the remainder of my life in that one place even before resigning, but soon after settling down my doubts were confirmed.

". . . Friendships develop through neighbors and other acquaintances, but never do you find the common interests associated with Army people who are subjected generally to the same conditions and regulations. . . .

"The world of business with its competition and incentives often sounds very exciting to the officer whose career follows a pattern. It is hard to explain to a person who is guaranteed a certain pay check at the end of each month how cut-throat and deceitful business can be. Money is the medium of exchange and is the object of pursuit in all that a businessman does.



Money becomes an obsession and every article and activity is assigned a price tag. Money is a chief topic of conversation not only among men, but also among wives.

"There is competition among Army officers, and there definitely should be for a healthy Army. However, the competition is primarily for leadership and position within the Army establishment based on individual qualifications.

". . . The benefits of the service are often discussed but rarely appreciated until one is no longer a member of the Armed Forces. Savings at the post exchange, commissary, officers club, theaters, and other entertainment facilities are real dollar savings. Tax free income in the form of a quarters allowance and a subsistence allowance also add to the buying power of a man's income. As a civilian you must definitely earn more dollars to enjoy the same standard of living.

"Aside from the pure income one should recognize the security program, the insurance value of an Army career . . . I was frankly amazed to learn the cost of providing coverage automatically yours by service in the Army. . . Every reasonable person must carry some form of hospital and surgical insurance to protect himself against financial disaster in the event of sickness or accident. Costs are varied according to the coverage, but there is

absolutely no policy at any premium which will pay for all-inclusive care available through Government facilities.

" . . . The death benefits under the Survivor Benefits Act are roughly equivalent to \$50,000 life insurance.

". . . Last of the insurance benefits and the one most often associated with military service is retirement. Very, very few persons could ever put aside the money required to provide the life income earned by the retired officer. To equal the retirement pay of one who retires in thirty years with the rank of colonel, a civilian worker would have to invest upwards of \$3,000 each year in a form of retirement income contract.

#### *Loss of Individual Responsibility*

". . . Unfortunately my reasons for resigning were none too good in February 1956 and seem a little ridiculous now. I think allure is the word for the picture I had of industry. It seemed quite a bit more exciting than peacetime soldiering after the excitement of Korea. The endless cycles of training did not seem to compare to the life of the man in the gray flannel suit. I had no dislike for Army life when I resigned. I really got out to see what civilian life was like.

"But I found 'allure' was slightly over-rated. . . . The stimulus I expected was missing. I was unable to become motivated to rise to greater effort for

the sake of the return on the investment. The regimentation of military life, aside from perhaps the uniform, is not as comprehensive as that of a large corporation. The 'company man' who is agreeable to any decision regardless of personal feeling is the success in business, not the company commander who in spite of Bn SOP goes his own way to form a top notch fighting or service unit. These individualists are admired in service, not in industry where they are shunned lest others may be guilty by association. . . .

". . . To an officer considering resigning I would say this: You must realize that you will probably never again enjoy the individual responsibility for the actions of yourself and your subordinates for you will be conforming to company policy and the committee type of management. You will suffer a tremendous loss of prestige for 'bright young men' are in oversupply in business. You will probably suffer a drop in your standard of living, for industry has no allowances tax free. You will not find the challenge to be judged in performance of yourself and your unit, but you will be classified by your annual salary. You will forfeit the chance for world travel, obviously.

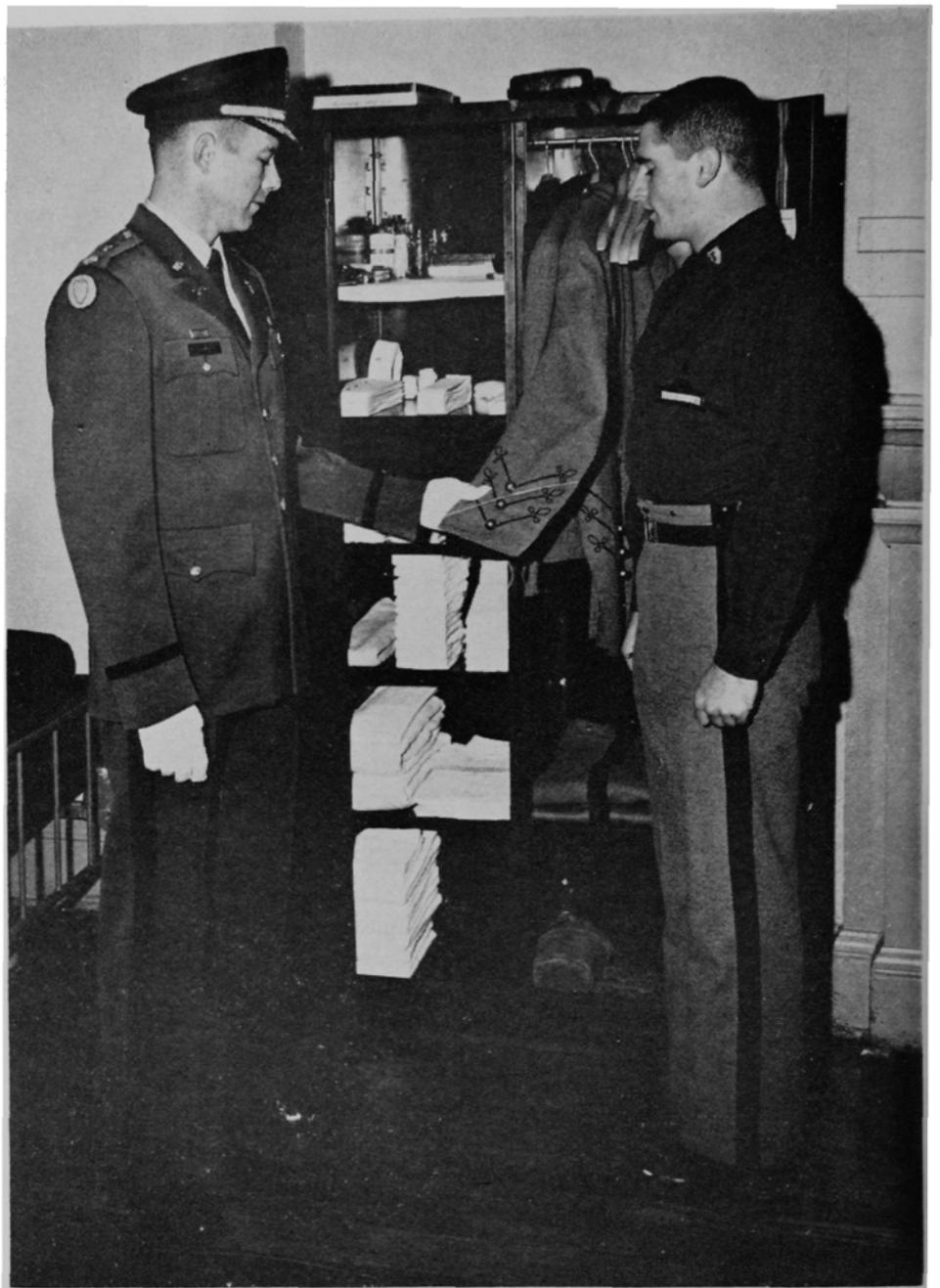
". . . If you want responsibility, variety of jobs, travel, and a full social life—stay in."

# DAY OF A TAC

Fore for the Tac. One hundred and forty-six West Point Classes have understood this warning. To most the "Tac" has represented the symbol of authority, likened to an inexorable tyrant who does nothing but write on the Quill pad.

Times have changed. The purpose of this article is to update the members of the Long Gray Line, to correct misconceptions, to clarify the function of the Company Tactical Officer, and to pictorially portray a limited portion of a normal "Day of a Tac". His duties are many and cover a wide spectrum of responsibility, all in some way related to the goal of engendering and developing in his command that intangible but essential ingredient—leadership.

Let us first look briefly at the qualifications of the men who fill this essential role. Rankwise all the Tacs are either senior Captains or Majors, and it is desirable that they have had combat experience. They are hand-picked by the Commandant from a list submitted by the Branch Chiefs (Officer Assignment Division). In the final selection the officer's record as a cadet is reviewed. (Incidentally, the adage that the Tactical Department is a perpetual oligarchy of goats isn't really true. It just seems that way.) The distribution as to branch of the Tacs is generally in the same proportion as the



SI—Saturday afternoon inspection.



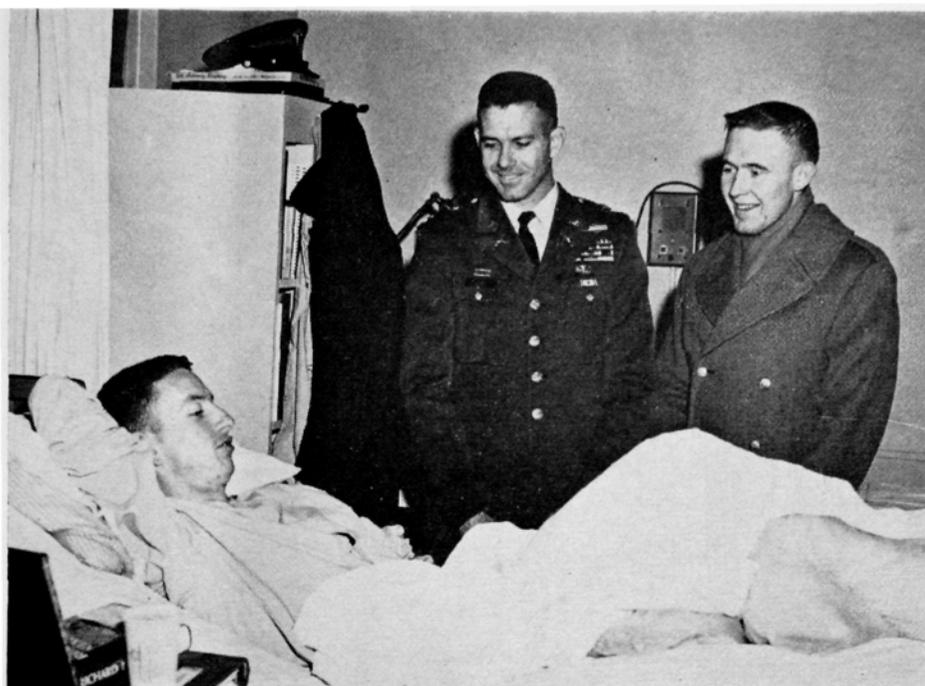
Guidance to the Cadet Company Commander.

number of cadets who can select that branch. In addition, there is one Air Force officer assigned, and one Navy or Marine Corps officer, here under a mutual exchange program with the Naval Academy. This, then, is the man. What of his job?

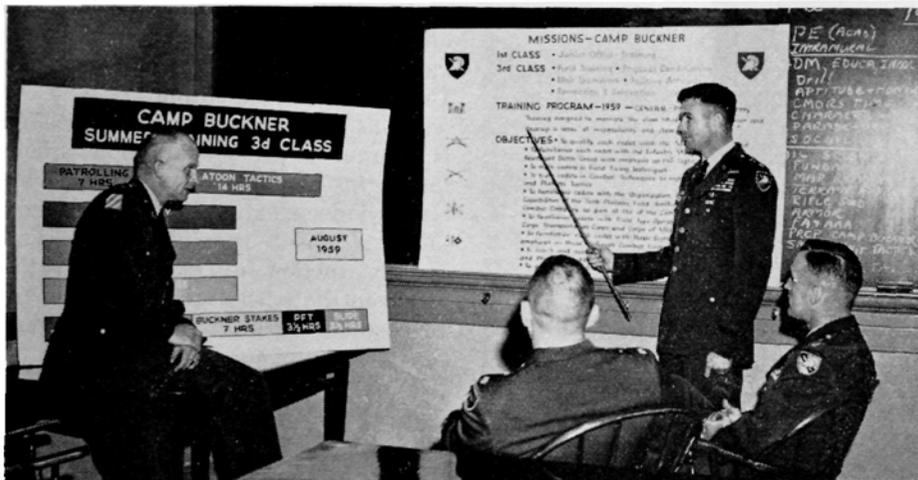
The Tactical Officer's primary mission is to develop the leadership ability of each cadet within his company. The methods he uses are essentially those employed by any troop commander to achieve a high degree of morale, discipline, and Esprit de Corps. To accomplish this goal the Tactical Officer must know his men's weaknesses and strengths. Through personal interviews, extensive and complete records, and day-to-day observation he gains insight

and maximum understanding of the individual and the company under his control. Finally, by giving succinct requirements, providing guidance, delegating responsibility, underwriting genuine errors on the part of the Cadet Chain of Command, the Company "Tac" can accomplish his mission and still obtain the high standards traditionally ascribed to the Corps of Cadets.

During the regular academic year his main concern is working with the Cadet Chain of Command to assure proper training, morale, discipline, health and welfare for each of the hundred or so men assigned to his company. In accomplishing this he delegates a large measure of responsibility to the cadets themselves to present a challenge and develop within them the ability to command and lead men—the hallmark of a successful officer. He utilizes the Chain of Com-



Welfare of the Command.



Briefing the Commander on Proposed Summer Training.

mand extensively; through frequent conferences with the Cadet Company Commander he can effect the necessary control and direction required for matters pertaining to Company performance. During these sessions any and all of the problems confronting either the Cadets or the Tac are discussed and resolved. It is then the Company Commander's duty, and that of his subordinates, to see that general Academy policies and standards are maintained. It should be noted that the Tactical Officer attempts to allow the Cadet officers wide latitude and authority, within the limits of sound military practice, regarding the means they employ to achieve the desired results. Thus the Chain of Command displays a more cooperative and aggres-

sive attitude toward their duties, and initiative and originality are encouraged within the Corps. The final burden of responsibility for the company, however, rests upon the Tac and he must conduct frequent inspections to insure that the established standards are met.

In an attempt to make a valid evaluation of each Cadet's performance, development, and potential the Tactical Officer keeps a close and continuing check on his men as individuals in all aspects of Cadet endeavor. This entails personal observation of them at various times as they study, recite, compete, or relax. This does not imply a constant and annoying interference



Intermurder (Intramurals).



AMI—Morning Inspection.

on the completion of their first year. Conducted at nearby Camp Buckner, this two month period is devoted to familiarizing the apprentice officers with the tools of their trade, from the .45 pistol to the 105mm howitzer (all of which they fire), as well as introducing them to basic infantry, artillery, and armor tactics, plus engineer and signal training. In setting up a schedule for this training, plans must provide for procurement of the various supporting elements necessary to its implementation. This means arranging for troops from various tactical, service, and school units throughout the United States. More important, when units of these arms and services have been assembled, their activities must be coordinated to present a coherent, efficient and profitable training sequence for the cadets. This is one of the most important of the many administrative problems confronting the Tactical Department. Other functions of this sort include: curriculum studies, review of tactical instruction, and administration of the USMA Physical Aptitude Test and College Board examinations at various test centers throughout the United States each spring.

In his role as an instructor the Tac is required to present formal classroom tactics instruction to the cadets. This entails indoctrination in the fundamentals and basic principles of warfare and instruction in tactics from the squad to the battle group level. There are also classes in map reading, weapons, and combined arms training.

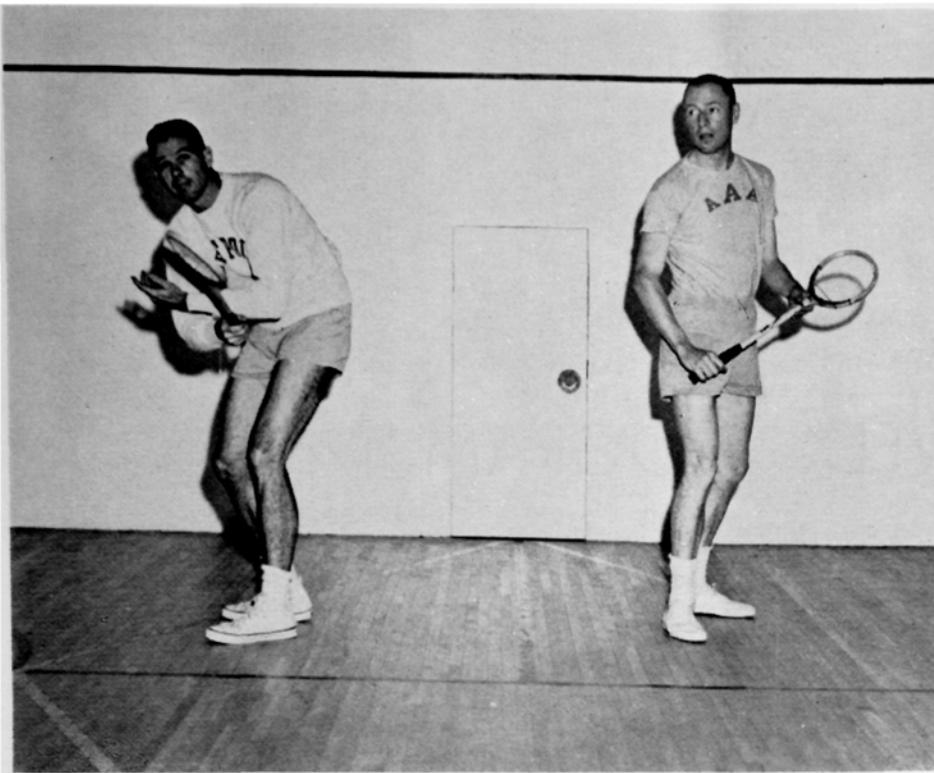
Apart from the more or less standard activities discussed above which are a part of the Tactical Officer's job,

in Cadet activities. Rather, occasions such as intramural or social events provide the Tac with ample opportunity to get an objective view of the cadets at work and play without appearing officious or intrusive. To this same end, it is also common practice for the Tac to entertain the cadets in small groups at his home at various times throughout their four years at the Academy. This provides the cadets with an opportunity to meet with the Tactical Officer in an informal atmosphere and has the added value of permitting the cadets (and in many cases their prospective wives) to gain an insight into the nature of Service family life.

In addition to this primary mission of leadership development and evaluation the Tac performs a variety of staff functions. A good example of this type of duty is the preparation and implementation of a summer training program undertaken by the cadets up-



Observation and critique of Corps ceremonies.



"Upon the fields of friendly strife" still pertains—maintaining physical and mental toughness.



Fundamentals of Military Science.

there are many other duties which have a claim on his time. There is, for example, the periodic tour as Officer-in-Charge. During the 24-hour period in which he is on duty the O.C. is responsible as the Commandant's representative of a sport or activity at the Academy. Although more in the nature of administrative responsibilities, this also involves guidance to coaches and cadets alike in policy matters involving liaison between the team or club and Academy authorities.

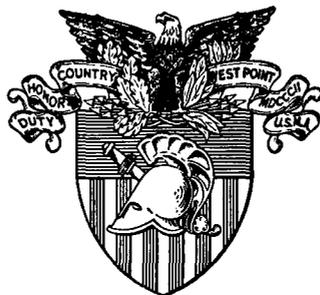
And so it goes. In this brief resumé of the duties which devolve upon the West Point Company Tactical Officer it should be apparent that he bears a burden of command heavy even for a profession whose stock in trade is responsibility. His challenge is to implant and nourish in his men the seeds of motivation, ability and physical and moral courage which provide the only sound basis for manhood—which is the essence of leadership. *Si Monumentum Requirit Circumspice.*\*

The Tac in this article is Major William B. Caldwell III, Infantry, much decorated veteran of the Korean War. He is in his third year as the Tac of Company M-2, USCC.

\* "If you seek his monument look about you." Epitaph to Christopher Wren, St. Paul's Cathedral, England.



OIC (Officer-in-Charge: the Commandant's Representative). OC: For 24 hours he is responsible for the Corps.



# JUNE WEEK PROGRAM 1960

## SATURDAY, 4 JUNE

Alumni Headquarters Opens, Top Floor, Thayer Hall . . . . .	8:00 A.M.
Army-Navy LaCrosse Game, Michie Stadium . . . . .	9:30 A.M.
Army-Navy Tennis Match, Library Courts . . . . .	2:15 P.M.
Alumni, Benny Havens Hour, WPAM and Cullum Hall . . . . .	5:00 P.M.
Cadet Glee Club Concert, Army Theater . . . . .	8:00 P.M.

## SUNDAY, 5 JUNE

Catholic Chapel Baccalaureate . . . . .	8:00 A.M.
Cadet Chapel, Underclasses at Battle Monument* . . . . .	8:00 A.M.
Cadet Chapel Baccalaureate, First Regiment*** . . . . .	9:00 A.M.
Jewish Chapel Baccalaureate . . . . .	10:30 A.M.
Catholic Chapel Underclasses . . . . .	10:30 A.M.
Other Catholic Services . . . . .	9:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M.; 12:30 P.M.
Post Chapel Services . . . . .	9:30 A.M.; & 11:00 A.M.
Cadet Chapel Baccalaureate, Second Regiment*** . . . . .	11:00 A.M.
Superintendent's Reception for Class of 1960** . . . . .	2:30 P.M.
Alumni Dinner Dance, Washington Hall*** (\$3.00 per person) . . . . .	8:30 P.M.
Superintendent's Informal Reception for Alumni	

## MONDAY, 6 JUNE

Catholic Alumni Memorial Mass . . . . .	8:00 A.M.
Cadet Chapel Memorial Exercise, Holy Communion and Organ Recital . . . . .	9:00 A.M.
Alumni Exercises, Thayer Monument . . . . .	10:00 A.M.
Alumni Review** . . . . .	10:30 A.M.
Alumni Luncheon, Washington Hall*** . . . . .	11:30 A.M.
Association of Graduates Meeting, Washington Hall	
Alumni Ladies Luncheon, Cullum Hall*** . . . . .	11:30 A.M.
Review and Presentation of Military and Academic Awards* . . . . .	3:00 P.M.
Alumni Class Picnics, Round Pond and Camp Buckner . . . . .	4:30 P.M.

## TUESDAY, 7 JUNE

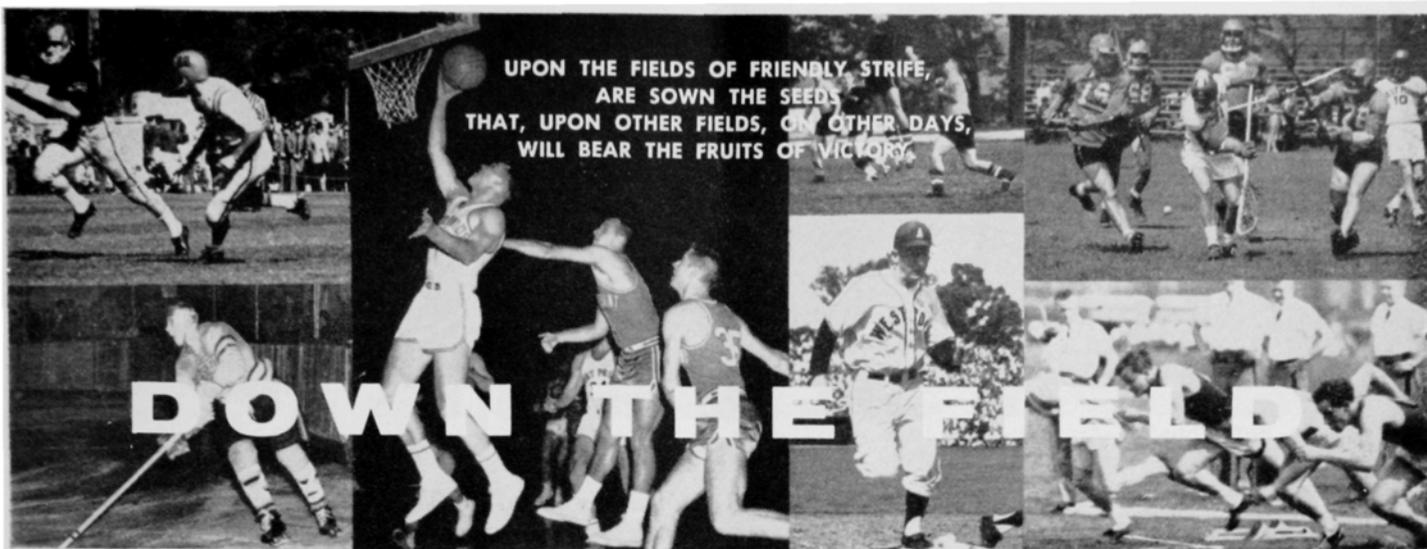
Open House, Academic Departments . . . . .	8:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.
Brigade Review and Presentation of Athletic Awards* . . . . .	9:00 A.M.
Graduation Parade . . . . .	4:30 P.M.
Graduation Hop, Washington Hall . . . . .	9:30 P.M. to 1:00 A.M.

## WEDNESDAY, 8 JUNE

Graduation Exercises, Field House*** (doors open at 9:00 A.M.) . . . . .	10:00 A.M.
Alumni Headquarters Closes . . . . .	12:00 P.M.

All times are EDT

\*To be held in South Auditorium, Thayer Hall in event of inclement weather. For Award ceremonies, presentation only to be held in Thayer Hall.  
 \*\*To be cancelled in the event of inclement weather.  
 \*\*\*Admission by ticket.



UPON THE FIELDS OF FRIENDLY STRIFE,  
ARE SOWN THE SEEDS  
THAT, UPON OTHER FIELDS, ON OTHER DAYS,  
WILL BEAR THE FRUITS OF VICTORY.

# DOWN THE FIELD

By JOE CAHILL

The object of some close scrutiny since the fall, inter-collegiate athletics returned to normalcy with a winning winter campaign.

Competing in some 115 contests, the nine teams returned an average of 75 percent in the win column. Four teams (track, gymnastics, rifle and pistol) were undefeated. This victorious array in addition to wrestling provided a 5 to 3 edge over the Navy in the cumulative results.

Failures on the part of basketball, swimming and squash in the service tests offset otherwise successful seasons for these squads.

The over-all record in the fall was of course, proportionately the same in the won and lost column. The inexplicable collapse against the Navy in all four sports was cause for concern in most quarters. With collectively fine performances this time against Navy, the Cadets appear to have untracked themselves and the future again appears to be bright on the athletic front.

There were several highlights during the winter that are worth recalling. The track and field team, in beating Navy in the first indoor meet between the two Academies, climaxed a second suc-

cessive undefeated season. The proteges of Coach Carleton Crowell have won 14 in a row over the last two indoor seasons. A series of new cadet records were either tied or set. Keith Nance broke his own shot put mark with a

contrive a win over Maloney's forces in 12 years. The best the Middies have been able to do was a 48 to 48 tie in 1954. This was Maloney's 12th undefeated season at West Point and his 11th Intercollegiate team title.

Pistol and rifle have been having things much their own way in collegi-



1960 ARMY HOCKEY TEAM

Front row, left to right: Ron Chisholm, Fred Avis, Dale Campbell, Joe Boys, Ted Crowley (Capt.), Rusty Broshous, Jim Cullen, Jack Dewar, Dave Harkins, Gene McLaughlin. Top row, left to right: Col. Covell (O. R.) Bill Hourihan, Bill Cutherson (Trainer), Ben Evans (Mgr.), Tom Carroll, Albie Symes, Paul Dobbins, Marty Bilafer, Marsh Carter, Lt. Ed Hickey (Ass't Coach), Fred Terry (Mgr.), Coach Jack Riley.

cessful season. The proteges of Coach Carleton Crowell have won 14 in a row over the last two indoor seasons. A series of new cadet records were either tied or set. Keith Nance broke his own shot put mark with a toss of 55 feet, 5 1/4 inches against Navy. Bill Hanne erased his 1000 yard mark with a 2:11.6 clocking against Pittsburgh. Ed Sprague tied the Academy 15-year old 60 yard dash standard of 0:06.2 against Princeton equalling Dick Newell's performance. Jim Johnson added his name to the list of three record holders in the 60 yard high hurdles, breaking the tape in 0:07.4 against Navy. Gene LaBorne, though he did not win the IC4A title, set a new Academy high jump standard of 6 foot 6 inches at Madison Square Garden. LaBorne set the previous mark of 6 foot 5 1/4 inches as a Plebe in 1958.

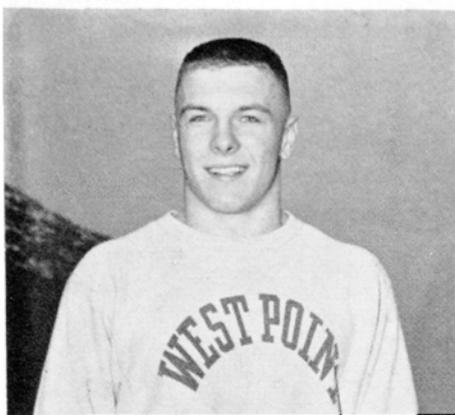
In gymnastics, Army continues to spread-eagle the field under the able direction of Coach Tom Maloney. The tumblers finished undefeated, winning ten in a row. Navy has been unable to

ate competition, too. Both teams were undefeated as previously noted. The rifle team now has outscored 36 consecutive opponents sustaining its winning ways over a four year span. The five man team composed of Captain George Stanley, Bill Murphy, Walker Flint, Bob Kewley and Morris Brown set a new Academy record of 1459. Al Barr broke the Academy mark in pistol by firing a 291.

There is still considerable concern for the basketball fortunes. The Navy's domination of the hard wood sport has become sort of an enigma. It all began when Ben Carnevale took over the reins at Annapolis. Up to that point, Army consistently led in the service series. With Ben at the helm, the Middies have stepped out smartly and now lead by three full games with the count



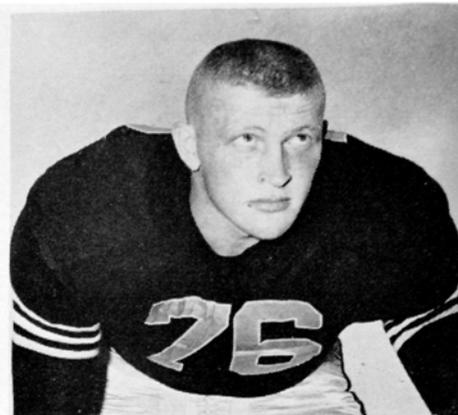
Ed Crowley set records.



Gene LaBorne, set high jump record.



Glen Adams calls signals.



Dale Kuhns wins wrestling.

standing at 20 for Navy to our 17. Carnevale's record has been imposing particularly against Army. Under his guidance the Navy has taken ten of the last thirteen games. Army's victories in 1954 and 1958 were considered in the major upset category. An Army win this time would have been similarly categorized.

It would be difficult to predict just when the cadets will attain a level of proficiency to pose a positive threat for Navy and the other major court powers. This winter two first class players were all that Army could muster. Lee Sager, a 6 foot 5, high scoring ace from New Jersey, and Stu Sherard, possibly one of the finest young players ever to don a West Point suit, tried in vain to carry the load between them. There are two big men—by Academy standards—forthcoming from the Plebe squad which should help to provide a more formidable starting quintet than in recent years. Bob Foley, 6 foot 7, and Gordon Arbogast, 6 foot 6, will give the varsity some badly needed height.

While basketball has been fighting an uphill battle, the sport of ice hockey has captured the imagination of a large segment of the local following. Raised to the status of a major sport in 1949 after some 45 years as a minor entity,

ice hockey here has gradually ascended to a position of eminence in the East.

Coach Jack Riley who also holds the position of Assistant Athletic Director has been the motivating force behind the rise of hockey. Though still a comparatively young man in the coaching ranks at 39, he has made a marvelous record for himself in the national hockey picture.

This winter he amazed the hockey world by guiding the United States Olympic squad to the championship, the first ever achieved by an American sextet. It was a Team of Destiny, or a Cinderella, if you will. Figured to finish as low as fourth, Riley directed the club to seven consecutive victories including a win over Russia for the first time.

His gold medal looks good on him, and if West Point issued a pendant, he certainly would have one for his rapid development of the ice sport here. The past four years the cadets have been able to challenge the best sextets in the East on an equal basis. In 1957, Jack was named Coach of the Year after compiling an impressive 14 and 4 record. The following season his team won 15, lost 4 and tied 1. This year, he may well have developed the finest squad ever to represent the Academy.

The skaters compiled the most victories ever recorded by an Army hockey team winning a total of 16 against only five defeats and a tie.

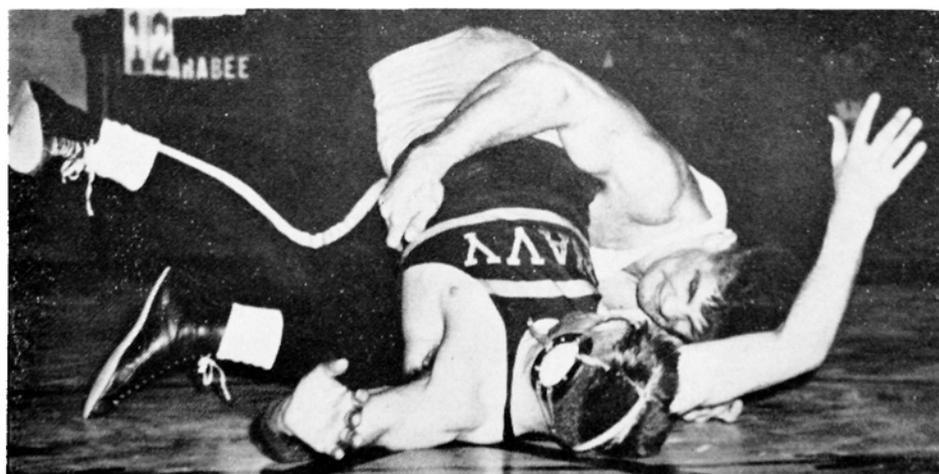
To successfully climax the season, the squad travelled to Kingston, Ontario, and handed the Royal Military College of Canada a 7 to 5 setback in the colorful and unique "across-the-border" series which dates back to 1923. Unable to keep pace with their Canadian counterparts during the early segment of the series, Army now is gaining rapidly. Since Riley's arrival at West Point the Cadets have won seven of the last ten engagements.

Riley's success, of course, is not attributed to mirrors. He knows all the tricks in the trade having played and coached at the highest level of international competition. Nevertheless, some fairly outstanding players have been on tap to carry the load. This year Captain Ted Crowley was magnificent. His tremendous offensive ability marks him as one of the all-time greats in the annals of Army hockey. Crowley now owns virtually every scoring record in the local book.

Crowley closed out an outstanding career holding five of six West Point individual scoring records. He leads in career goals, assists and total points. He is also the single season leader in assists and points.

Before wrapping up the hockey news, it is only fitting and proper to salute Lieutenant Ed Hickey, 57, who coached the team after Riley departed for his Olympic assignment. A great defenseman and one of the highest scorers in history, Hickey assumed control of the squad prior to the midway point in the season and his leadership enabled the cadets to carry on where Riley left off.

In wrestling Coach LeRoy Alitz leaned heavily on the strength of two football men to bring home a one point win over Navy. The team triumph (16-15) was desperately needed to lock up a successful mat season. The two



Al Rushatz gains revenge.

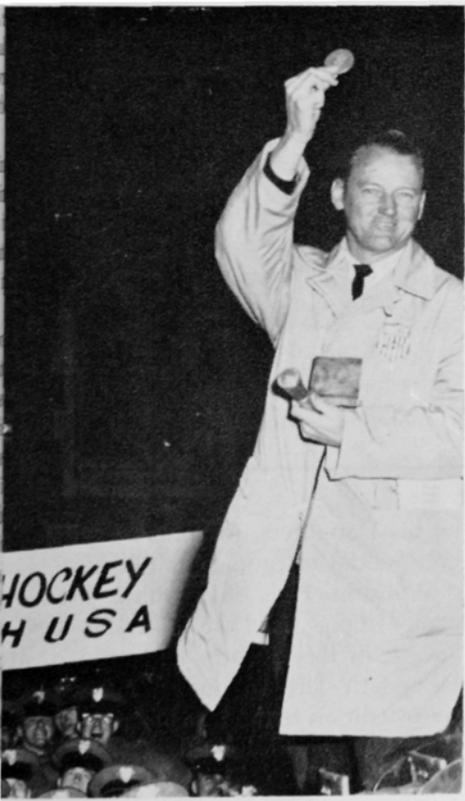
gridders who had revenge in their hearts following the ignominious defeat in Philadelphia were Al Rushatz, full-back, who grappled in the 167 pound class, and Dale Kuhns, tackle, who competed in the unlimited division. Both came through with decisive decisions to insure the victory. Kuhns was under particularly heavy pressure. The 220 pounder entered the climactic bout with the cadets trailing by two points. A win was imperative. No one in the Field House knew this better than the powerful tackle, and he responded with aggressive, dominating tactics that left no doubt as to the ultimate outcome.

### Spring Fever

Only a limited amount of news is forthcoming on the spring sports agenda at this writing. The effects of a fourteen inch snow fall turned the Plain into a winter wonderland while driving all thoughts of baseball, golf, track and the like from mind.

On the baseball front there were two interesting news items, however. The San Francisco Giants have consented to revive their annual pilgrimage to Doubleday Field and will play here on May 23.

This, of course, is one of the most unique baseball pairings extant. Ever since the time of the immortal John J. McGraw, fiery manager of the erstwhile New York Giants, the National League entry has entertained the Corps



Homecoming Ceremonies for Jack Riley.

## KIRBY WALKER

### Class of 1892

On 10 January 1960, Colonel Kirby Walker, the last surviving member of the first Army football team, died at the Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. He would have been 93 on 25 January.

When Dennis Mahan Michie persuaded the Superintendent to authorize a challenge to the Naval Academy, only a handful of cadets had ever played the game, and not many more had ever seen it played. This was to be the first athletic contest between the Service Academies, so there was considerable interest, if little knowledge, among the Corps of Cadets.

One of those who turned out for practice was a cadet from a farm near Columbus, Ohio. Kirby Walker had been turned back from the Class of 1890 for deficiency in mathematics in his plebe year, but by 1891 he seems to have been square with the Academic Department.

Whether or not he had ever seen the game is not shown in the record. Being a farmer boy, it is doubtful that he had played. But he was chosen as quarterback of that first Army team. In his history of Army football ("The Black Knights of West Point,") James S. Edson shows Walker as one of the stars of the game.

The next year, 1891, with Kirby Walker as quarterback and Michie as captain, Army beat Fordham (then called St. John's College,) Stevens, Skuylkill, and Navy; they tied Princeton, and lost to Rutgers. Not bad for a farm boy.

Upon graduation, Walker went into the Cavalry. He won the Silver Star for gallantry in action in the Philippines and again in France. During World War I he commanded the 69th and 70th Infantry Brigades, 35th Division. He retired in 1928 to settle in San Diego.

Death blew the whistle on the first Army Team when Kirby Walker died.

with an exhibition game in the early spring.

The game was usually played at the convenience of the Big League Club. The date normally fell on the eve of Opening Day, especially when the Giants were at home or near-by Boston or Philadelphia. Now with the franchise situated in San Francisco, scheduling a game with Army has become more complicated. At the suggestion of President Horace Stoneham, the Giants again exhibit their wares in conjunction with a three game set against the Phillies in Philadelphia.

The other diamond item has to do with the visit of the Army team to Florida for some pre-season practice stints at the University of Miami. Taking advantage of the five day spring week-end leave, Coach Eric Tipton flew the baseball squad to the deep south for a few practice games with Georgia Tech and Miami. According to Tipton the stay "was too short to be of substantial help with conditioning. However, it helped considerably in raising enthusiasm and spirit."

### Football Fortunes

Like the spring sports, there is actually nothing to report with wintry blasts still prevailing over the turf at this

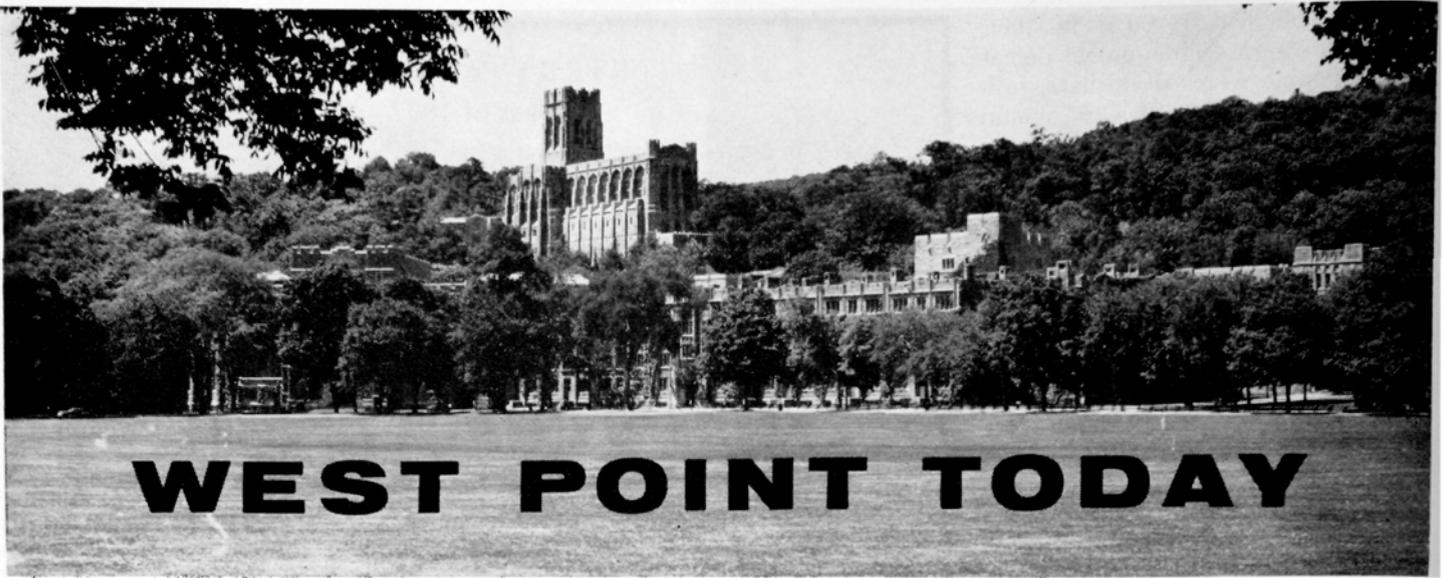
writing. A little speculation, however, might help to kindle the "hot stoves" until the troops trot into action.

Coach Dale Hall has spent many a winter evening, we are certain, conjuring an attack that will upset, demoralize and otherwise defeat ten opponents this fall.

Hall's point of departure on any discussion pertaining to his '60 prospects must start and end with a quarterback. Once again, as has been the case too often in recent Army football annals, the Black Knights are desperately in search of a quarterback. There is a bevy of the breed on hand, to be sure, but none with enough experience to cope with the schedule that has been lined up.

Current thinking has the young maestro leaning toward an experiment which, if successful, would find Glen Adams switched from defensive half-back to field general. In addition, the cadets would employ a combination winged-T and accenting the quarterback option, to utilize Adams' skill as a ball carrier and offset his deficiency as a passer.

A tenth game has been added to the schedule with Buffalo University coming to Michie Stadium on Sept. 17, for the opener.



# WEST POINT TODAY

## Historical Items Wanted By Association and Library

One of the principal programs of the Association of Graduates is the collection of personal items—letters, clippings, diaries, etc.—by and about USMA graduates. In recent years increased emphasis on this program has borne fruit, with graduates or descendants of graduates donating many items of interest.

The USMA Library has a similar program, primarily oriented toward enhancing the collection of military manuscripts. Documents received by the Association which are mainly military in nature are donated to the Library. Those items which are personal, which show the subject as an individual, go into his personal file in the Association.

Graduates and friends of USMA are urged to donate to either the Association of Graduates or the USMA Library any memorabilia of themselves or other graduates. These items add to our store of knowledge concerning our graduates and our Alma Mater.

Recently, Colonel William McC. Chapman, August '17, donated several letters written by his great-grandfather, William Chapman, Class of 1831. In a letter dated 1 March 1829 addressed to his mother, the earlier Chapman wrote:

"Sister asked if we had any sleighing at the Point. I am very sorry to say that the sleighing frolics are principally confined to the officers and professors. They have been sleighing about the Point for several weeks with the ladies. "But Poor Cadets," all we can do is stand at our windows and stare at them with all our eyes and at the same time holding in our hands a delightful work on Mathematics, French, or some other

novel. There is but one thing that consoles us: i. e. that we will not be Cadets all our lives. Every dog has his day you know."

## Recollections of Old West Point

The published Memories of Williston Fish, '81, Presented to the Library

by his Daughters, Josephine Fish Peabody and Gertrude Fish Rumsey.

Williston Fish, '81, whose literary composition, "A Last Will," is well-known in this country and abroad, at his death left an interesting manuscript edition to the lore of West Point. He not only described the Academy of his day and related many interesting incidents of his own cadet service, but

## Founders Day Luncheon



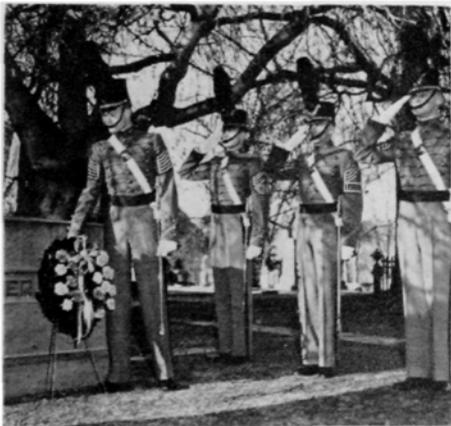
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GLEE CLUB: The Corps	
PRESENTATION OF SYLVANUS THAYER MEDAL	
ACCEPTANCE . . . . .	<i>The Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge</i>
GLEE CLUB: Army Blue	
BENEDICTION . . . . .	<i>Dr. Speers</i>
DISMISSAL . . . . .	<i>Music by USMA Band</i>

he wrote a personal sketch of every member of the Corps in his time in addition to his impressions of many of the officers and staff of the Academy then. His two daughters, Josephine Fish Peabody and Gertrude Fish Rumsey, carefully edited the original manuscript and published it in a limited edition of three volumes, each of which contains a number of reproductions of Pach's authentic photographs, a number heretofore unpublished, appropriately accompanying the stories therein. The final result is a handsome one.

Mrs. Peabody made a special trip on August 13, 1957, to West Point to present a set of her father's "Memories" to the Library. This set is number 3 of a total edition of 22. It was her desire that they be made readily available to all officers and cadets at West Point. Dr. Sidney Forman, Librarian, USMA, was so impressed with the unique value of this gift that he placed the set in the Rare Book Room of the Library, where other valuable and irreplaceable literature is carefully preserved. All officers and cadets at West Point, as well as bona-fide researchers of authentic background material about West Point, have ready access to the Rare Book Room.

Through this generous gift to the Academy of Williston Fish's daughters, the West Point spirit of the last quarter of the 19th century lives again.



The Corps of Cadets pays tribute to the memory of the "Father of the Military Academy" on Founders Day. Left to right, Cadets Otstott, Montgomery, Berry, Kuklinski.

### USMA Rocket Society

Twenty-one members of the Rocket Society at the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., were guests of the Army Ordnance Missile Command for a tour of facilities at Redstone Arsenal the week of 6 February.

They were welcomed by Maj. Gen. August Schomburg, AOMC Commanding General, who told them it had been

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 3, 1959

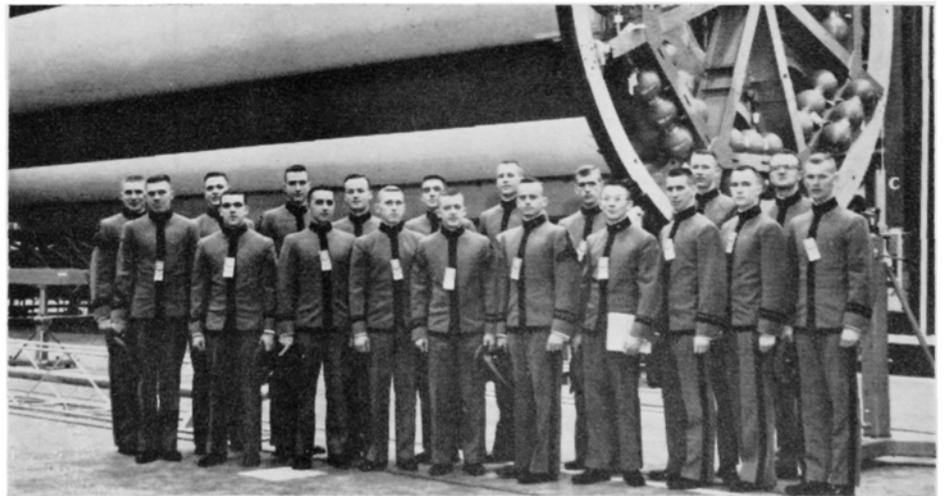
### ARMED FORCES DAY 1960

Each year during the past decade, the active and reserve components of our Armed Forces have joined with civil authorities and community leaders to give our citizens and the people of other countries an opportunity to become better acquainted with the military aspects of our national strength. This opportunity is offered on Armed Forces Day.

It is America's hope and purpose to work continually toward peaceful adjustment of international differences, and it is fitting that Armed Forces Day again emphasize the fact that our strength is dedicated to keeping the peace.

Here at home the men and women of the Armed Forces are active members of the communities where they are stationed. Overseas they are ambassadors of good will, helping to create that climate of international understanding in which men can together build a world of justice, progress and freedom.

*Dwight D. Eisenhower*



a busy week for the Army's missile programs, with three successful firings.

The West Point cadets later toured the Fabrication and Assembly Engineering Laboratory of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, AOMC. Here they saw a quarter-scale model of the Saturn space booster, and then the

huge Saturn booster itself, now under development by ABMA for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The cadets also inspected ABMA's Test Laboratory facilities including blockhouse and static firing test tower in which the Saturn will be tested.

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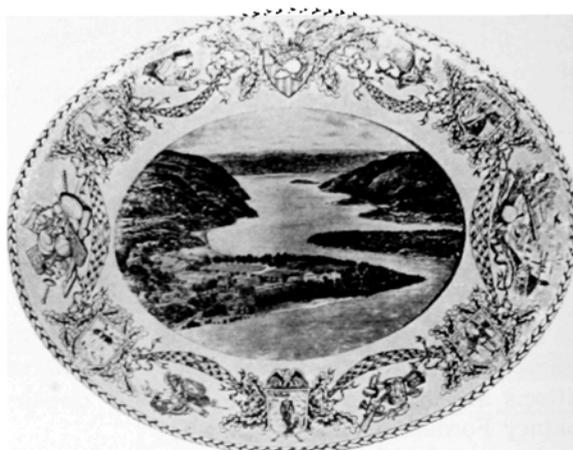
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## 1895

The Class is happy to announce that another fine young man, Clement Sawin, Jr., is hoping to follow '95 at the U. S. M. A., where his brother, Peter, is a cadet. Both are sons of Clement Sawin, Sr., U. S. M. A., 1930, and grandsons of our classmate, Oscar and Susanna Charles, at whose wedding in New York, Herron served as best man.

Clement, Jr. is crewman aboard the warship U.S.S. OKANOGAN, now in Long Beach, California Harbor. Herron took charge of him and his pal for a supper at his home. Nuttman reports he is active and well at his home in Washington, D. C., with his lovely daughter, Betty, looking after him.

Miles, our great agriculturist, is busy with his huge farm in Ohio. The class hopes he will make another trip to California, in the summer, to visit his friends and the class families.

Herron is reducing his activities, but is happy to take his visiting pals, who come this way, to enjoy Disneyland and other attractions of California.

His niece took the family to the San Francisco area for the Christmas holidays, driving some in her Cad, and the others "flying up"—hosts were Frances and her husband's parents, Charles and Hazel Brown, of Burlingame.

—J.S.H.

143 Corona Ave.  
Long Beach 3, Calif.

## 1897

There is little to report, but the Class of '97 has not yet completely faded away—in fact nine survivors are still going (fairly) strong. Most of the five at Washington meet every Saturday for lunch at the Army and Navy Club.

The class extends sincere sympathy to Pope and his wife on the death of Miss Frances L. Hampson, Mrs. Pope's daughter. She died December 22, 1959, and was buried in Arlington Cemetery.

—C. D. Roberts

7210 Maple Ave.  
Chevy Chase 15, Md.

## 1899

Kromer is down from his stamping ground in Vermont and is spending the winter in Washington, where his daughter Jane is the wife of the Rev. Charles D. Keane, of the Church of the Epiphany.

SPRING 1960

### New Members

OVER 93% 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.

Schull writes that the wife of his youth, Loraine has come to the end of her road and departed this life in December of '59. They were married in 1901 and the news is sad for us all.

Betty Peyton sends word that she is Charleston, S.C. in order to be near her daughter Helen, the wife of General George Honnen and that she has children and great-grandchildren, as well as grandchildren scattered all over the globe and that all things considered, including her age of 87, she does well! More power to her!

—C. D. H.

7611 Fairfax Rd.  
Bethesda, Md.

## 1903

A note from Trophy Bendel shows him at the Hillhaven Convalescent Hospital at Burlingame, California. He is considerably handicapped by illness and disability, but is thankful that his eyes are good and he enjoys reading. In spite of everything he sounds cheerful. Levi Brown writes that he and Jane are still enjoying life on the coast of Mississippi. Colley attended the Rose Bowl football game at Pasadena and he rejoices that a team from the Pacific coast won. He says he was sorry to read that MacArthur was sick, and he wrote "what a guy"!

Farmer wrote a brief note from Hendersonville, N.C. saying all is well with him. Farnum has had excellent results in raising funds for his church building in Augusta, Me. On March 1 he and Florence are flying by jet to Rome. They will spend seven weeks traveling along the Mediterranean to Barcelona, fly to London, then motor along the coast of Portugal to Seville. Then back to New York and home at the end of April.

John Franklin is enjoying life. He has reached a commanding position in his community life.

Ulysses Grant is busy, as usual. He has many jobs and responsibilities which would wear out a younger man.

"Pope" Gregory writes from Reno, Nev., saying he is just marking time until he can get busy on his favorite hobby, gardening. He says he has not had to shovel snow—yet! But he knows that beautiful dream will be shattered. Reno is the nearest town of any size to Squaw Valley (40 miles) where the Winter Olympics are held and Pope says most of the people you see on the streets are in ski clothes.

Howze says he is well. He has a new outlook on life since he changed his apartment. He had occupied his former apartment for 25 years.

Clifford Jones writes that his most interesting news is that his son, Lieut. Clifford Jones, has just announced his engagement (or rather the girl's family has announced it!) to Miss Birney Robert of Atlanta. This should be interesting because Clifford is the latest (pardon me, I almost wrote last) god-son of 1903 to graduate from West Point (1955).

"Chick" Leeds writes from Pasadena. He is a Consulting Engineer and does work for the state of California. In spite of some physical disabilities he refuses to quit.

"Growler" Lyon says that he is pleased to see that ASSEMBLY now has a prominent place on display at the new library in Eugene, Ore. He said that he had

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received a Christmas letter from the widow of Bennie McClellan. She makes her home with a daughter at 305 W. Harding St., Greenwood, Miss.

Allan Pope writes that his daughter, Polly, has been in France. He and Elvira have taken their usual February winter trip to New Hampshire to visit his brother and his wife. His brother has a model farm at Contoocook to which he drives once or twice a week from his home in New York City. Allan and his brother will each celebrate their golden wedding anniversaries next Fall.

Rodney expects to go to Germany in April or May to visit a daughter, the wife of Col. L.E. Schlanser, stationed at Nurnberg.

Julian Schley and Denise sailed on the "Ancon" of the Panama Line on January 26. Julian will attend a Board meeting and on the way back they will leave the ship at Port au Prince and from there fly to Puerto Rico where they will spend a week or two before returning to Washington.

"Bones" Tyler has moved from Florida to Washington, D.C. His new address is 2500 Q St. N.W., Washington 7, D.C.

Jake Wuest writes from Orlando, Florida that his sister and her husband (Crafton, 1906) have visited them. Then he and Helen fly to California for a visit, then back to Olean, N.Y. to prepare for another trip to Europe in May. He expects to take a month's rest period at Bad Ems, Germany as he did last year. Does a retired man need a rest, or is Jake just going to drink some good old Bavarian beer? Or maybe take "the Baths."

Doug Mac Arthur has had a bout with the medicos, but at last report was recovering satisfactorily. He has the great respect and admiration of all his classmates, and many of them have sent him best wishes.

Turtle writes that he and Maida are attending concerts and are much thrilled and interested in a course of lectures on The Renaissance by Dr. Peter W. Guenther. Our boys are getting high brow, eh?

Dick Moore is happy at Pebble Beach, Calif.  
—Dorsey R. Rodney  
East Lansing, Mich.

## 1904

New Addresses:

Mrs. G.R. Allin, 588 Gulph Road, Wayne, Pa.

Mrs. J.J. Kingman, The Towers, 4201 Cathedral Ave. N.W., Washington 16, D.C.

Mrs. J.G. McLroy, 926 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. J.B. Woolnough, Dominion Towers, 1201 So. Courthouse Rd., Arlington 4, Va.

Finn has moved to a very comfortable rest home at 908 Locust St., Buhl, Idaho.

Mrs. A.E. Claus of Pennington, N.J., (Conroy's widow) died in October 1959, and was buried in the local cemetery.

In February, 1960, "Harry" Reilly left the VA Hospital in New York City where he has been for so long, to attend a meeting of the National Council of the Reserve Officers Association in Washington, D.C. After his return to the hospital, he reports as follows:

"I was strongly urged to attend the

mid-year National Council meeting of the Reserve Officers Association of which I was one of the organizers and the first National President.

"The object was to see that this country had adequate National Defense and did not slip back into the after-war unpreparedness which had happened after our previous wars.

"The Washington Arms Conference had seriously damaged our seapower and given Japan the "green light" to ultimately run us out of the Pacific.

"The National Defense Act of 1920 at its best did not provide a proper Army and Air Force and was already being emasculated by the new Bureau of the Budget.

"In 1921, G.M.P. Murphy, '03, Karl Klemm, '05, Quincy Gillmore, '04, Major Judah, a Chicago lawyer of my war regiment, and I had bought the Army and Navy Journal. This is further National Defense.

"I sold General Pershing on the value of the Reserve in peace because in time it would provide lawyers, doctors, engineers, bankers, newspaper and magazine men, etc., all over the country who would understand the necessity for a real national defense and the fallacies of disarmament, pacifism and international bodies such as the League of Nations.

"The Secretary of War, Mr. Weeks, a graduate of the Naval Academy, a successful banker and Republican politician, was always ready to help us.

"We had quite a struggle.

"So to make a long story short, it was a great pleasure to find nearly 2000 Reserve officers who would give their time and money to spend three days in Washington earnestly planning what should be done this year. There are approximately 70,000 members of the Association. The annual convention is held each summer.

"At the banquet there were over 2,000, of whom 206 were Congressmen, over half of them Reserve officers.

"Several doctors tried to stop my going. But with the help of an excellent nurse's aid and with 'no expense to the government' I made the four day trip and arrived back feeling better physically and certainly with higher morale.

"Am standing up for an hour practically daily now and therefore within a few more months expect once more to get into the National Defense row."

—William Bryden,

3555 Springland Lane, NW,  
Washington 8, D.C.

## 1905

John Hotz went to Florida via Washington and attended a class luncheon with Lane, Barber and Daddy Gibson. John says that Daddy is the exemplification of service above self. Bain who is not in good physical condition, lives at 7408 Lyndale Lane, Chevy Chase, Md., was not able to be out for the class luncheon.

Burns and Blue Magruder have been located at 10 Woodmere Avenue, Rumson, N. J. and have a large new lot on high ground and trying to make up their minds whether or not to build.

Doris Dunwoody has had an eight weeks stay in the hospital recently but

is now with her daughter at 3003 Brown Street, Alton, Ill.

Doc and Edna Lentz celebrated their Golden Wedding in August 1959. We are counting on seeing them at West Point in June.

If Peterson feels equal to the reunion in June he expects to be on hand for his first reunion.

Rex and Mary Gardner expect to be at the 55th reunion in June. We hope that several others will find it possible to be there also.

Margaret O'Donnell has recently had a gall bladder operation in Mexico City.

Yank Upham will do his best to be at the reunion in West Point in June. His grandson James Freeman Glassman has not yet decided to be a minister, like his father, or a cadet like his grandfather at West Point.

Clifford Early had quite a siege of pneumonia and had to go to Sea Island for recuperation. We hope to see Clifford and Harriet at West Point.

Chief Seagrave's latest address is P. O. Box 806, Los Gatos, Calif.

Details about the reunion will be following some time in March after the Military Academy announces its dates and plans. You will be informed promptly. Make your plans to be among those present. Tom and Betsy Doe are inviting all classmates, their wives and widows to attend luncheon on the Sunday before Alumni Day. Hope to see you there. Meet old friends, meet their wives and families.

Margaret B. O'Donnell and C. Fay Kenrick were married January 26, 1960. Franklin Village, Mich.

—Norman F. Ramsey,

R. D. 1—Box 211,  
Dover, N. J.

## 1906

Every member of 1906 and thousands of others who served with him, will note with deep sorrow the death of our beloved classmate, Cortland Parker, at Boston, Mass., on January 18, after a long illness. He is survived by Elizabeth, his wife, and their two sons. Elizabeth writes that "the gorgeous spray of lavender gladiolas, tulips and heather, (sent by Jim Riley for 1906) looked lovely in the church and was taken to the cemetery in Newport, R.I. so that Cort had the affection of his comrades with him all the way." Another great soldier has gone over the river.

Mildred Gillespie and Elsie Bartlett have joined their children, Marguerite and Gordon Bartlett at 2525 Via Tuscan, Winter Park, Florida and Mildred reports a wonderful Christmas together. Wm. Bartlett, Jr. is in Germany, a First Lieut., Armor.

Joe King says that John Merrill is back in San Antonio, having high-tailed out of Maine after one freeze. Pot Lewis & Hap Green reported themselves and their wives ready for 1960 with many good wishes and Plupy and Marjorie Shute are wondering why we didn't settle in San Antonio.

John Nickles sent a good story of the Bible classes of Anna Warner on Constitution Island in our cadet days, and other days before and after.

Gen. Galloway sent two fine clippings

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from the Belvoir Castle about the Frederic E. Humphreys plaque, celebrating the anniversary of that first military flight by our Jojo.

The beautiful messages on the Christmas cards, last year, from so many classmates ought to be quoted but space forbids. For instance, Jim Riley presents the doings of his fine family through an interesting year; Dawson Olmstead shows some fine spirit in his card from Tipsoo Lake in front of Mount Rainier; Bob White talks about the labor situation; Pearson Sands still praising that Jersey seaboard; Frederika Williford, telling how that grandchild is growing up, tall and handsome; Ann Ardery, visiting her children in Denver, Colo.; Bill Akin sending a pretty picture of that Deerfield home; Earl McFarland with fine feeling and a later report on the Riley visit; Red Hoyle giving an enthusiastic account of himself and Christine celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary with the Jim Rileys and others helping; (How time do fly); McKew Parr telling about his trip to Belgium; Hap Pennell holding down his bank in Ft. Sill; Clara Lane saying that Bill is not so well but they had a good Christmas with the children around; and a lot of others too, with their news and views and pleasant wishes.

And then, George and Christine Morrow sent a box of those sweet oranges and grapefruit that I bragged about in the last letter. And they were sent before my plug arrived, too. No hinting!

Checking the Mazenet collection of music at the West Point chapel and library for information recently, John A. Davis, Jr., the Organist and Choirmaster, who gave us that gorgeous music at our Fiftieth, said, "I am using it almost weekly, receiving a great deal of pleasure and benefit." Nice to know! It was a great find!

Thousands of fat red-breasted robins will be chirping our greeting to you Yankees soon. They have been here all February, strutting across our lawns at feeding hours. On departures, groups gather in the high limbs of deciduous trees, their bright breasts facing the morning sun, waiting for the signal—a great sight! Elizabeth and I will follow them about June. Best to you all.

—Charles G. Mettler  
2227 Pickens Road  
Augusta, Ga.

## 1907

The subject which has recently created the most interest among members of the class has been the question of memorial gifts and related proposals which were covered in the questionnaire mailed to all members of the class. A summary report of the results of the poll, with a solicitation for funds, was mailed only recently. The memorial gifts are to be continued and a generous response to the appeal for contributions is anticipated.

We wish to express our appreciation and thanks for the birthday card and good wishes sent to us by the ten thoughtful gentlemen in Washington. They gave Johnny Sullivan a surprise luncheon at the Army and Navy Club on the occasion of his birthday and we can think of no

one who more richly deserves such recognition.

Roger Alexander's daughter, Ruth, and her family visited him briefly on their way to their new station in Thailand. They took off from San Francisco in a jet for Honolulu, Tokyo, Hong Kong and finally Bankok. Roger, was in the hospital with pneumonia for a time but is getting back his strength and is expected to be as well as ever very shortly.

A postcard from the Ganoes from Honolulu depicts a gentleman stretched out on the beach beneath a palm tree with a cold drink in his hand and a Hawaiian maiden bringing further refreshments. Bill wrote that Rosie was off to one side, out of camera range, so it must have been all right—or was it!

We received a postcard from Jim and Edith Laubach showing the Plaza San Martin at Lima, Peru. They were enjoying a delightful American Express tour down the west coast of South America. Jim was greatly impressed with the cleanliness of the streets, buildings and parks in most of the large South American cities and found conditions there to be quite different than he had anticipated.

We were most pleasantly surprised to receive a short visit from Louise Bane who had come east to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter in New York. She is the official city hostess for Monterey, Carmel and Seaside in California. She came up to West Point for one night for a short visit with the Allen Lindholms, class of 1953, whom she met while they were attending the Language School in Monterey. Captain Lindholm is an instructor in the language department at West Point.

Eddie Householder sent us a copy of a prospectus and program of his American Security Union which we found most interesting and deserving of support.

Mildred Yount sent us a booklet about Bart published on the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the American Institute of Foreign Trade which he founded at Thunderbird Field in Phoenix, Ariz. immediately after the end of World War II. This contains a most interesting and complete account of Bart's military service and the Sons of the American Revolution have honored him by establishing the "Lieutenant General Barton K. Yount Award" at the Air Force Academy to be given annually to the member of the graduating class who excels in foreign languages, psychology and public speaking. Mildred will be pleased to send a copy of this booklet to any classmate. Her address is Apartment 107, 1301 East Thomas Road, Phoenix, Ariz. Bart Jr. is at present stationed in Washington in the office of the Secretary of Defense.

Bob Arthur wrote that his younger son is now a Colonel on the Staff of the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He expects to be ordered to Korea by the end of the year.

From Paul Larned we learned that the Boones were in Florida and that Dan'l was having a wonderful time fishing. Jimmy and Virginia Collins recently made a flying trip to Mexico and stopped off on their way back for a brief visit at Jimmy's old home in Louisiana. Ray and Toot Hill were reported to be in

Mexico and Skinny MacLachlan is back home after a somewhat prolonged stay in Letterman General Hospital.

Russell Davis died in San Diego, Calif. last November. Dave was one of the outstanding stars in the Navy football game in our plebe year but he was unable to cope with P. Echlos and the math department. After leaving West Point he went on to a distinguished career in the Marine Corps and served in Peking, Haiti, Cuba and Santo Domingo.

Enrique White's obituary of Sunny Jim Martin in the Winter Number of Assembly was excellent. Enrique's recital of incidents at West Point were most enlightening and amusing and will permit us to remember Sunny Jim not only as a distinguished jurist but as a true son of West Point.

We are about to take off for our annual visit with our daughter and her family in St. Petersburg, Florida and are looking forward to seeing Clyde Eastman, Walter Wheeler and Bob Glassburn and picking up news of classmates in those parts.

Just as this column was being completed we received the news that Lucian Booth had passed away in Roanoke, Va. on the 11th of February. We have no further details at this time but extend to Louisa and her family our deepest sympathy. Lucian was an outstanding individual whom we greatly admired and he will be missed.

—Hayden W. Wagner  
Balmville Road  
Newburgh, New York

## 1908

Our annual Class dinner was held at the Army and Navy Club Saturday evening, February 13, 1960. Present were: Chaney, Edgerton, Ellis, Jackson, Kennedy, Schulz, and Terry. Our Class President, Bonesteel, absent at Fort Worth, Texas, sent greetings by telegram. Hall is in Florida for a few weeks and Burns and Garrison are temporarily out of circulation. The out of town members: Ellis, Jackson, Kennedy, and Terry, added special interest to the occasion. A good time was had by all. A motion was adopted expressing the appreciation of the Class to Bonesteel, Garrison, Goethals, and Schulz for their work on behalf of the Class during the past year. The following class officers were elected for the coming year: President, Garrison; Vice President, Chaney; Treasurer, Schulz. The latter had charge of the dinner and the arrangements therefor, all of which greatly contributed to its success. It is interesting to note that Schulz just completed in January a two-year service as member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of the Committee on Accounts and Budget of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of the District of Columbia.

Just too late for our previous deadline occurred an unusually enjoyable Class dinner given by "Nuts" Wilbourn during the visit of a couple of New Mexico pilgrims to his home. Presiding at the opposite end of the table was his lovely daughter, "Danny," (Mrs. Marion A. Knight of San Antonio). Along the sides of the table were our Class widows, "Flossie" Hill and "Brownie" Nulsen; the Rod-

gers; "Gotchy" Gottschalk; and the Goethals. Illness unfortunately prevented presence of Lucy Gottschalk. All this Texas group live close together in the northeastern part of San Antonio where 1908 population is now denser than elsewhere save in Washington, D. C. "Gotchy" is proud owner of one of the most attractive homes in these parts. "Brownie" carries on the upbringing and education of her orphaned granddaughter. "Rabbit" Rodgers insists his one retired pursuit is to gripe but carries the same old twinkle along with his occasional knocks. The Rodgers' son, John Isaac Rodgers (named for his grandfather, Class of 1861), is presently on the engineering staff of the Gulf Oil Corporation at Maracaibo, Venezuela. "Nuts," the same old genial host, gets around despite his arthritic handicap. Soon after this event, he flew to Florida to visit his oldest granddaughter and two great-grandsons; and reports recent return from another Washington visit to his oldest daughter, Carolyn Clark.

Our deepest understanding and sympathy to "Edie" Davis, for while the serious nature of his illness was long known, it was a shock when she phoned to tell us "Dave" died at Coronado on November 28, 1959. He was buried at the Military Cemetery at the Presidio, San Francisco, "a beautiful sunny day. Six of us saw him laid to rest when the Marine bugler sounded Taps and then the final salute to a Good Marine." And a wonderful classmate, too, to all who knew him.

A long welcome letter from John Brown around Christmas shows him to be in normal circulation again and well recovered from a siege of shingles so serious he could not wear clothes for three months, thus accounting for his long silence. John is District Commissioner in Southern California for the U. S. Pony Clubs, Inc.—a national organization giving free instruction to boys and girls under 17 in the most modern equitation and horsemanship—nearly 4000 members and 90 Clubs in the U. S. (See note on "Johnny" Johnson). While recently in Pebble Beach for a meeting of this organization, he compared notes with the Averys, finding them preparing for a trip to Europe; had a visit with Owen Meredith; and talked to Margaret Higley by phone. The Higeys son and daughter live with them, the former having an art studio at the side of the house. Catherine Brown keeps busy besides housekeeping with, among others, Community Chest, Y.W.C.A., and Retired Officers' Wives Club at Fort MacArthur, only two miles from their "JaC-O-Sea."

Owen Meredith writes of visit from John Brown and gives welcome news that Marian's health has improved lately. Sees Avery now and then "with his usual cheery front and comments." Local news reports the "Dick" Cummins on a world trip to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The two Meredith sons were home for Christmas, "taking me out on the golf course now and then to pick up a few dimes. Also continue in the evenings at a five card game with the penny ante front."

"Johnny" Johnson writes his customary cheerful Christmas message, busy as usual with various chores at his Polo Hunt Farm. He also spends much time with

the local U. S. Pony Club, paralleling therein like activities of John Brown, (q.v.).

"Spigot" and "Liz" Ayres took a pilgrimage to New Bedford around Thanksgiving and while looking for the house where Ishmael slept the night before sailing in quest of Captain Ahab at Nantucket, got skidded into and side-swiped; no greater injury than a delayed return home while car repairs were going on. At this writing (January) he and the scribe (Goethals) have just worked a barter between maple syrup and Burkett pecans. "Spigot" writes, "we got the better." They are now shaking off part of the Vermont winter by a trip to Key West. "We will take the face masks we used for the boat and will go down 'on snorkel' in shallow water there—simply fascinating to watch what goes on amongst fishes." Report from the fishes not yet in.

To Lacey Hall congratulations of his classmates and associates for his election as Honorary Member of its Permanent International Commission by the Permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses. This world-wide association of engineers and transportation specialists, headquarters in Brussels, spans more than half a century. For many years Lacey not only was a member of the American Section, but was leader of the U. S. Delegation to more than one of the Congresses; and is only the third American Citizen to be awarded this international honor in the lifetime of the Association.

—Wm. H. Garrison and  
George Goethals

## 1909

Carl Baehr, affectionately known to his classmates as "Mother", died at Walter Reed Hospital on 22 December, having been taken to the hospital after a severe stroke. Services were held at the Fort Myer Chapel, with burial in Arlington. All but one of the pallbearers were classmates. He is survived by his married daughter Katherine (wife of Col. L. R. St. John, Engrs, stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va.) and his younger daughter Betty, who had kept house for her father since Emilie's death in 1957. Since his retirement in 1946, "Mother" had done extensive research on the use of Artillery in the Civil War. He was a member of the Civil War Roundtable in Washington and had made his studies available for use by military historians. An obituary is being prepared for publication in ASSEMBLY.

William T. ("Count") Rossell died on 10 February in the Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, after a short illness. Funeral services were held in New York City. The "Count" is survived by his second wife, Elizabeth Goodwin Rossell, of Long Beach, L. I., whom he married in 1924, and by the two sons of his first marriage, both Annapolis graduates now on active duty in the Navy,—Captain William T. Rossell, Jr. and Commander Robert H. Rossell. A recognized authority on the design and operation of urban rapid transit systems, Bill had been President for fifteen years of the Transit Research Corp. in New York City. He was always loyal and devoted to the Class of 1909, of which he was an outstanding member for over three years.

Cliff Bluemel reports that his wife Elsie

underwent an operation at the Fort Dix Army Hospital in November and has since been recovering satisfactorily at their home in Yardley, Pa.

"Madam" Wilkes reports from his new home at 5 William Street, Mount Pleasant, N.C., that Lucy and he are in good health but that "the weather here is a mess". Please enter this address in the Class Directory.

The President on 18 December appointed Jake Devers a member and chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, succeeding the late General of the Army Geo. C. Marshall. This Commission is responsible for the construction and maintenance of military cemeteries and the memorials built by the U. S. Government on foreign soil, as well as for certain monuments on American territory. Seven monuments and cemeteries will be dedicated in Europe this summer and two in December, one on our West coast and one in the Philippines. There are now 22 permanent cemeteries in foreign countries under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

—G. L. Van Deusen,  
304 Fair Haven Road  
Fair Haven, New Jersey

## 1910

It was a pleasure to have Jim Muir and Don Connolly and Richard Jordan, 1901 with us at our Washington Class Luncheon on February 10th. Jim brought the good news that his grandson, James I. Muir, III, has been appointed to West Point by Representative Thomas F. Johnson, 1st District of Maryland. The lad will enter next July and he will be the fifth generation in direct line to attend the Military Academy, his forbears being Clarence E. Bennett, graduating in 1885, Charles H. Muir in 1885, James I. Muir in 1910 and James I. Muir, Jr. in 1939. This is a unique record and perhaps unequalled in the annals of the Academy.

Jo Calvo writes interestingly of himself and family. Jo is now engaged in work at Cutler, Me., 110 miles from Bangor. He gets back home for a weekend at 28 Cole Avenue, Providence, R.I. only once a month. His family is six in all; the two Beas, wife and daughter, the latter having been married to Lieutenant Commander Francis J. Crozier, U. S. Navy on November 28, 1959 at Saint Sebastian's Church in Providence, Catherine (23), Virginia (21) and Jo, Jr. (18). Virginia will graduate from Manhattanville College in May. Jo Jr. is now a Freshman at Georgetown University in Washington. Jo plans to bring as many of his family to our Reunion as possible.

A good letter from Joe Carberry tells of his regret that he will probably have to miss our Reunion on account of a commitment for a flight to Copenhagen. Joe attends the meetings of the Los Angeles West Point Society pretty regularly. He was the only one of 1910 at the last USMA Dinner from the Los Angeles region. However, Fritz Strong on one of his trips happened in and both enjoyed an excellent and well attended affair.

With regard to our big Reunion, the opening date of it and June Week will be Saturday, June 4th. Plan to come and check in on that day. Snakey will

issue bulletins covering all details of the Reunion in the near future.

—Robert H. Dunlop  
3711 Reno Road, N. W.  
Washington 8, D. C.

## 1911

Margaret Baade invites any wayfaring classmates to stop by at 901 Picacho Lane, Santa Barbara. She hopes to sell eventually and may go to Washington. John Beatty sends a new address: 1665 Beach Drive, Sea Side, Ore., to which he returned after a "year in Europe". His latchstring is out to 1911. John Booton is checking on particulars of our 50th Reunion accommodations in June '61. He reports that present indications are that our Distaff will be suitably housed in the ultra-modernity of the recently converted academic building—now barracks. John and his lady will be guests of 1910 this June, when his first class will celebrate, and will make a dry run for June '61. Gerry Stanton, from her strategic location in Cornwall, will handle on-the-spot arrangements for our Fiftieth.

John Churchill's daughter Mary Lynch and her tax-attorney husband became the parents of their tenth child 27 Dec. '59. Nice income-tax reckoning! Kathleen Heinlein, Artie Conard's Palo Alto daughter, had available San Francisco Bay area 1911 in for a most happy dinner celebration of A.B.'s birthday on New Years Day. He had come west for the holidays. Dave Cowles continues to improve—has complete sight now after cataract operations. This should reassure Jim Crawford who started a similar ordeal the last week in February. Washington 1911 turned out full force at an Army-Navy Club luncheon to cheer him on. Iva Dickinson writes from Chico, Calif., Rt. 2, Box 87, that Charles is very badly off after crippling strokes that came after initial protracted hospitalization at Pasadena in February '59. After he left us in 1907 he became a distinguished doctor and a power in the Veterans Administration medical service. The past year has been a grievous strain on his devoted wife. Expression of sympathy is warranted.

Jack Homer was hospitalized in Chicago from 3 January to the end of February. Surgery with complications; and when Heck O'Neill saw him mid-February he had lost 25 pounds but was well on the road to recovery. Not the pounds, Jack! Jim Mooney, whom we lost to '12, is the most faithful 1911 contributor to these notes. He was largely responsible for 1912's comprehensive Christmas Bulletin. It is an uniquely interesting printed production. Congratulations to our plebes. Thirteen got their start with us.

Curt and Jen Nance have sold in Georgetown and bought in Foxhill Village, at 1513 44th St., N.W., Washington; and are now going through kitchen modernization again. These young folk! San Francisco Bay Area 1911 started 1960 with the monthly Class luncheon with the Shekerjans at the Franciscan Yacht Club; and were with the Weavers on 26 February, but no news was developed. Winter quiet all over the country; no news is good news at our age. We are in the bracket where the editorial edict is "Hold news to five words per

living member total." Of the 151 who started with us only 68 can qualify definitely. You don't need your slip-stick to figure why even what we receive is cut. Nevertheless, please send your stuff on to 660 Menlo Oaks Drive, Menlo Park, Calif, by 5 June, which is the deadline there for Summer 1960 ASSEMBLY.

—J. R. N. W.

## 1912

News from the South-East Region is sketchy, principally because of our fine Christmas bulletin, which brought us all fairly up to date. One of our Steves—Chamberlin—made a good recovery from a recent operation at the Fort Bragg hospital; the other Steve—MacGregor has not been too well, but Helene reports there is plenty of fight in him. The exchange of Christmas cards indicates that we are closing ranks in our declining years, which promises that all who can walk or crawl will be on hand for our fiftieth reunion in 1962, not too far off, the way tempus fugits.

The Arnolds are in the Far East, evidently for a protracted stay. Three of our widows, from whom I have heard recently, Sally Flint, Lyde Henry, and Camille Brown let nothing dismay them, but keep themselves busy and happily employed, in business or community work. The Hausers expect an addition to their family—not another class son—but a daughter-in-law to be, Bill's fiancée Helga Pemsel, the wedding to be the middle of May, in Munich. Helga's father is Lt. Gen. Pemsel, now CG of the II German Corps. He was C/S of the German Seventh Army on the Normandy invasion front. Thanks to space available and the Highland Falls bank, the Hausers expect to be in Munich for the wedding.

—John N. Hauser  
1100 Clark Street  
Fayetteville, N. C.  
Telephone HE 2-5960

*Some Comments on our 50th Reunion.*

P. Wood—My wishes are to stay alive and have enough money—Red Crawford—My wish is to be able to make the grade—D'Alary Fehet—I am old and crochety; I want a suite for myself in your fine motel; a memorial service for our deceased classmates at our class tree is a MUST; I will certainly be on hand.—Helen Youngs—Certainly hope I can make it, my grandson Chandler P. Robbins III graduates in June from West Point, will be married to the daughter of Gordon Cusland, graduation day in Cadet Chapel.

More about our 50th Reunion in subsequent editions of Assembly.

—Robert M. Littlejohn  
4401 East West Highway  
Bethesda 14, Maryland.

## 1913

The news these days seems to consist mostly of reports of the losses we have received. Since my last report in Assembly five classmates and one ex-member of the class have gone to their reward: Lawrence Weeks died on 29

Nov. 1959 after a long illness, and was buried in South Orange, N. J. Five of the class served as Pall Bearers. I had not more than gotten home than I received word from Ashville, N. C. that William A. McCulloch had died suddenly of a heart attack on 2 December 1959, Mac was buried at Ashville; One week later I received news that an ex-classmate, John Kennard had died in New Orleans on 9 December 1959. Then came the word that Henry B. Cheadle had died at Nogales, Ariz. on 16 December 1959. To add to the ever lengthening list the word reached me that Falkner Heard had died on New Years day 1960 after a long illness; then on 15 January 1960 Robert M. Perkins died at Fort Ord, Calif.

I had seen Bob Perkins the later part of August and had remarked how well he looked so that news of his death came as distinct shock. I understand that Johnny and Doris Johnson have taken off for Mexico again this winter—seems to have become a habit. Monk and Florence Lewis have again gone to Hong Kong and I do not expect them back until Spring. Moose and Mildred Ardrey took off from Fresno headed for Fort Mill, S. C. and are still there. A letter from Mildred says that they did get to Washington but that she got the Flu and they went back to Fort Mill with the intention of returning to Fresno when the weather clears. Joe and Dasha Viner are all settled in their new home at Virginia Beach, Va. Joe says that he has retired but I for one doubt it as he makes about one trip a month to New York to attend board meetings, so he says.

—D. T. Greene  
835 Morgan Avenue  
Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania

## 1914

When I wrote my last letter, I was happy that there were no losses from our ranks; this time I am sad because I must report the passing of two Classmates and a devoted wife. Johnny Kennard died in New Orleans on December 17, 1959, after a long and painful illness. His widow, Elizabeth, is at their home at 2700 Coliseum St., New Orleans 13. Only two months later, I heard from Hal Ingles of the passing of Helen Brand on February 17; and a later message from Ingles brought the news of the death of Leland Stanford at Walter Reed Hospital on February 29.

These losses are indeed hard to bear. I know that as we all grow older we must remember to thank God that he has permitted us to live in this beautiful world as long as we have, and we must learn to look Death in the face with trusting hearts, and with wonder rather than with fear; but none of us who has not experienced bereavement can fully realize the sense of loss and loneliness it must bring. Of course Elizabeth Kennard, Harrison Brand, and Maude Stanford must realize how much we sympathize with them in their sorrow, and indeed share in it as Classmates.

Including Elizabeth and Maude, there are now twenty-five widows of 1914. In the last class letter was included the address, name of Special Classmate, and

news of interest about thirteen of them. Since then I have received letters from or news of most of the others, and the information is summarized below. Please note that in each case the present address is shown, as well as the name of the "Special Classmate" in parenthesis.

Mrs. William E. (Julie) Burr, 2341 Clark Ave., Venice, Calif. (Bruz Waddell). No news yet—will include in next letter.

Mrs. Charles W. (Dorothy) Foster, 324 Maple St., San Francisco 18, Calif. (Fred Byrom). Charlie died at Denver in 1937 and Dorothy has lost touch with us ever since then. She has a son, Charles, married, living in La Mesa, Calif. and working for Convair. They have twin daughters. Dorothy's daughter, another Dorothy, is married to Capt. J. K. Joyce (U.S.M.A. '46) on duty in the Pentagon, and living in Arlington, Va. They have one son. Dorothy's apartment is only a few blocks from the Presidio, and her activities are centered around the retired group of Officers, Wives, and Widows. Byrom is on a round-the-world tour and he and Louise will see Dorothy when they return this summer.

Mrs. Walter C. (Martha) Guillon, 116 W. University Parkway, Baltimore 10, Md. (John Henry Woodberry). Martha has lived for sometime in Baltimore to be near her daughter Frances, (Mrs. Frederick A. Levering III). The Leverings have three children, two boys and a girl ranging in age from 10 to 15. Martha travels a good deal—to Hawaii in 1958 and Miami Beach in 1959, for example.

Mrs. Frank L. (Margaret) Hoskins, 105 Ridge Lane, Chapel Hill, N. C. (Empie Potts). Margaret has three children. Her daughter, Margie, is married to Capt. Elliott Bloxon, U. S. Navy, and they are stationed with their three children, in Japan. Her son, Frank, Jr., a Graduate of the University of N. C., and with a Master's Degree and a Ph.D. in English, heads the English Department at Newberry College in South Carolina. The other son, Gayle, recently got his Master's Degree in Creative Painting at the University of N. C. and is teaching.

Mrs. John (Elizabeth) Kennard, 2700 Coliseum St., New Orleans 13, La. (Gooding Packard). Elizabeth has one child, Elizabeth, married to Bernard Neal, Jr., and living in Rome, Ga. They have a son, John Kennard, age 9 months. Due to Johnny's long illness, Elizabeth has met and known very few Classmates. Many of us pass thru New Orleans occasionally, and Elizabeth hopes to meet us then. She writes "I think the Special Classmate Plan for the widows is not only a wonderful idea for us, but it is such a marvelous way for the Classmates that are here to be able to help those that are gone".

Mrs. Vicente (Pilar) Lim, 168 Vito Cruz, Manila, P. I. (Harold Bull). Pink has written Pilar for complete information on herself and her family—hope to have it for our next Class letter. I know she is a distinguished lady in her own right.

Mrs. Fritz P. (Alice) Lindh, 149 E. 73rd St., New York 21, N. Y. (Francis Kerr). Like most of our widows, she has been completely out of contact with the Class for many years, but does subscribe to "Assembly". She has two sons, Henry and David, both living with her. Henry, who is a Graduate of Yale and Columbia is an Accountant; David, also a Yale

Graduate, is an Asst. V. P. with Metal Traders, Inc., of New York City. As for Alice, she is quite athletically inclined, and leads a very busy life. Her activities include: V. P. Public School Athletic League of N. Y. City, U. S. Golf Association, Asst. Secretary, Rehearsal Club, Colonial Dames, Huguenot Society, Holland Dames, etc. In February she was off to Squaw Valley to attend the Winter Olympics.

Mrs. Howard P. (May) Milligan, 1900 Coral Gables Drive, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (Ralph Royce). May was Howard's third wife, having met him when both were with the U.S. Treasury Dept. in Washington. She knows very little of the Class except thru Ralph and me. After Howard's death she went to West Point for his burial in the Post Cemetery, knowing how much the Academy meant to him.

Mrs. Frederick S. (Mary) Skinner, 39 President Ave., Providence 6, R. I. (Francis Kerr). Mary has two sons, Frederick, Jr. and Walter. Frederick married a Vancouver, B. C. girl, works for the "Vancouver Sun" and they have two little girls and a new home. The younger brother, Walter Jay, is a Graduate of the Harvard Law School, and is a lawyer in Scituate, Mass. He is married and has four children. Mary, too, subscribes to ASSEMBLY and "reads every issue from cover to cover".

Mrs. Brehon B. (Louise) Somervell, 920 E. 5th St., Ocala, Fla. (Harrison Brand). I received a long, newsy, and appreciative letter from Louise. She is blessed with six daughters, three of Bill's previous marriage, and three of her very own and there are eleven grandchildren, ages ranging from 3 to 15 years. The six families are widely scattered in New York, St. Louis, and Florida. Louise hopes that whenever any of our Class pass her way they will stop to meet her and see the lovely garden and home she and Bill expected to enjoy together for many years.

As I wrote earlier, our most recent Class widow is Mrs. Leland H. (Maude) Stanford, 2535 N. Military Road, Arlington, Va. Her Special Classmate will be selected after consulting her.

Mrs. Philip L. (Muriel) Thurber, 3408 Laurelhurst Drive, Seattle 5, Washington (Jim Cress). Muriel knows many of the Class and her beautiful home on Lake Washington is a favorite stopping-off point when traveling in the northwestern part of the country. The Thurber Clan is a large and interesting one. Two children live with their families in Seattle, one daughter is married to an Air Force Colonel, presently stationed in Japan. Muriel usually winter at The Royal Hawaiian Hotel in Honolulu from December to March, to duck that rainy winter weather in Seattle. She too takes ASSEMBLY and keeps up with the Class.

The write-up on the rest of our Class widows has taken so many words that I will have to cut this off. I hope this "Special Classmate" Plan is going to work well and fill a real need.

In my last letter I wrote that it was planned to have a "Spring Round-Up" of the Class this issue. This Plan has been changed. Instead, it has been decided, with Jim Cress' approval, to get out an Annual "1914 Christmas Letter"—a mimeographed publication, which will contain letters from, and be mailed before Christ-

mas, to each member of 1914, and each Class widow. We are adopting the Plan that is now being used by the Classes of 1912 and 1913, but our format will be similar to that used by 1913. This will be more up-to-date than Five Year Books, and will be considerably less expensive. My requests for Specific dates, and for letters, will go out in early November. Let's plan on a one-hundred per cent response.

"And so on that happy note" as John Daly says, I will close. Best regards, and please send me some news.

—John Carruth  
241 Claywell Drive  
San Antonio 9, Texas

## 1915

From the Pacific Coast comes double-barreled sad news. Bert Warren, who had been in poor health for some time, died at Letterman January 5th. Interment was in Golden Gate National Cemetery. Then on February 11th, also at Letterman, Marsh Quesenberry passed away. We have no details. The deepest sympathy of the Class is extended to both families.

The fine response to our pitiful pleas for news has done much to restore our rapidly waning faith in human nature. Let's sort things out by starting with the oke and poi State and working east. From Jody Haw we learned that Hank Aurand was gainfully employed last Fall by his son and G. E. at the Santa Barbara ivory tower. Dutch punched the time clock just like common folks. For three days. However, this gruesome grind had severe repercussions shortly thereafter. When he finished his hitch as V.P. of the A.S.M.E., Hank announced a retirement of sorts, gave up his newspaper column, started to draw Social Security, and by his own admission became a lotus-eater. (We're not sure, but we think "lotus" is a kind of fancy chow you get at these Hawaiian clambakes called "luau".) Hank and Betty did the honors when the globe-trotting Wogans passed through shortly before Christmas and it appears that the Wogan re-embarkation was a photo finish affair. (However, some people never learn. A short time later Johnny sent us a card from Shanghai, or maybe it was Hongkong, saying they had stopped there "to take on another load." Gracious! And Hermie Beukema and schnapps yet to come!) The Aurands will be at our June gathering and Betty will take the opportunity to attend her Shamokin Hi reunion.

Dad Herrick is an excellent source of news for the West Coast due to several factors. He ambles all over the State, probably at government expense under the guise of attending postal meetings; he is on a first name basis with the maitres d' of all the better bistros in the Bay area; being Postmaster, he gets to read all the cards passing through the Oakland office and through professional courtesy those in the San Francisco office as well; and finally, we think he gets his stamps free, although he denies this. Heatedly. But not very convincingly. Here are some of his items.

Returning from L.A. recently he stopped in Santa Barbara and called John Mc-

Dermott. However, John was sleeping and being pressed for time, Dad had to forego a visit. He stopped by the Waldrons and found Doc looking like a million bucks before taxes. He found that the Hearn's weren't doing too well due to recent surgical bouts. Lucy Fox was fine and a tower of strength to those who were under the weather.

Billy and Elva Covell had just returned from a visit to Elva's home in Kansas. Both were in fine fettle, Billy having recovered quickly from some first echelon maintenance he underwent.

Rumors were rife that Logan Serles had passed through San Francisco but there were no eyewitnesses. The Melbergs were still in Europe.

At present Pearl Stickney is with her son Alfred in San Bruno but will return east before the Reunion.

Upon checking his valuables when checking out of Letterman recently, Ver found he was short a kidney. Probably they took it in part payment for the fine job their hired help had done earlier in pulling Ver through a severe coronary attack. Ver and family will be at the Reunion unless the cardiovascular guys nyet the deal.

Moving south we find that Alfred Balsam and Frances Fairfax Harrison were married at Carmel December 24th. Dolly's Dad was Governor-General of the Philippines when we were shaveltails. And John Smylie and May Inman were married recently and are living in Santa Barbara. The Balsams plan to attend the Reunion but the Smylies are afraid that John's health will prevent them from being there. And for Helen Finley we have the word that now she must share her Queen Mother honors with Laura Brownell who became a great-granmaw September last.

In January Dick and Peggy Richards visited their son at Ft. Ord and while in that area had a nice visit with the Balsams. For the Richards' return trip see our Texas notes.

Down Bakersfield way we find that Earl Price has retired from active management of his business but is retaining a guiding hand on its affairs until such time as the buyer can go on his own. The Prices have made their June reservations.

From the Los Angeles area comes no news of Wop Watson or Hooks Howell so let's fall back on the adage "that no news is good news". However Mike Summers breaks postal silence and reports that he will be there in June subject to the healing by then of a shoulder and rib cracked in a fall while trimming the Yule tree. (Not the *right* shoulder, we hope.)

That doughty President of the Southern California Knitting and Quilting Society, Howard Donnelly, reports on all the members except Joe McNarney. Joe and Helen are still in orbit around the world by flying machine. Paul Fletcher recovered rapidly from bouts with the flu and surgery. Frank Emery is his usual chipper self and Ed Kelton recently had an "at home" at which all members showed their skill in elbow bending calisthenics. It was especially nice to get the forwarded "hello" from George Pulsifer.

Moving over to the booming Southwest we find Bob and Midge Strong

making plans for the Reunion, to be followed by a trip to Labrador where their son Bobby is C.O. of the Base at Goose Bay. Last year they did Europe to include a motor trip through England and Scotland.

Clesen and Maude Tenney are sneaking up on a Senior rating, having acquired the fourth grandson last August. Last Spring they started a new house in Las Cruces and moved into it in mid-summer.

On to Illinois where we find Helen Howard recovering from knee surgery and hoping she will be off crutches by Reunion time.

Last Fall Doug and Gertrude Weart motored to Plattsburg to visit their daughter whose husband is an Air Force engineer at the Base there. They had to hotfoot it back to Chicago to make connections with Dad Herrick who briefed them on the Air Force game and other eastern news. Then by air to Fort Sam to visit their other daughter and her family. The kids threw a 1915 party for the old folks with the Leonards, Woodruffs, Cockrills, Halcombs, Mike Davises and Rosa-Maye Harmon in attendance. Then Mike and Mary Davis had a housewarming for about the same gang at which all had a fine time and fell in love with the Davises' new house. Doug is willing to trade but Mike says "no dice". The Weart's oldest son is in Japan and the younger is on AFROTC in Oregon. The oldest grandson is now leading the way for a long line of Wearts at the Air Force Academy. But lest you become too complacent, good folks, we have a word of advice for you two leaders in the Grandparent Sweepstakes. Coming up fast is Charlie Busbee with twelve and Mason Young now boasts ten. Our advice: Prod the progeny.

While north for the Homecoming Game, the Woodruffs visited their son Barney who is on AFROTC at Stevens Institute. They report themselves and the rest of the San Antonio gang in the pink and Woody seconds Doug Weart's praise of the Davis home. On their way back from California, Dick and Peggy Richards were house guests of the Woodies and several nice 1915 gatherings resulted. And Woody reports that, praise be, Sue Ulsaker is making a good recovery from her recent severe illness.

And back to Texas come Phil and Ruth McNair, Phil having retired from the bank in Aiken, S.C., the first of the year. (This leaves Romeo Hobbs as our lone flint-hearted widow robber.) Phil and Ruth will reside in Port Isobel where they are building a new home. (We visited Port Isobel one dark June night in 1916. Fell through a rotten dock and almost drowned. Some people wish we had.)

From deep in the heart of Bastrop County comes word from Henry McE. Pendleton that he sure is looking forward to the Reunion. After that he will stay close to home until, God willing, he attends our 50th. His cattle are increasing nicely although he doesn't count them by the thousands as yet. As a result of an old injury he has been having trouble with his back and four hours heavy work per diem is his limit. He relies on his very efficient daughter to make the ranch click. (We are very surprised, Harry,

that you were so slow getting aboard the gravy train. For lo, these many years we have been using a bad back to shift work to the distaff side.) Anyone needing transportation from New York to the Reunion on opening day, call Harry at the Savoy Hilton.

Getting now to the Eastern seaboard, from Ida and Doc Ryder comes word that they would not trade Martha's Vineyard for any of the fancy isles of the South Seas. Doc beachcombs, Ida writes the letters, and both are quite expert with looms and spinning wheels. (We've found spinning wheels to be a lot of fun except when the double zero comes up too often.) Doc Junior prowls the Pentagon and resides in Falls Church with his wife and two sons. Their daughter and her husband, living in Bath, N.Y., have three children. The Ryder latchstring is always out to old friends and classmates. (Exclusive of walri, of course.)

Many of these notes come from Venus Small who has been and still is as busy as a bird dog working with the Reunion Committee. Recently he made a trip to Washington in rather inclement weather and not being the rugged outdoor type acquired a head cold, a raspy throat and a fiery chest. Complete coverage. He is now very bitter regarding what passes for climate in the District and his remarks anent Washington motorists will be left to your vivid imaginations.

While we are on the subject, we all owe a lot to the Class officers and members of the Reunion Committee who have already put in hours of hard work to make our 45th the best yet.

This should give you a chuckle. As you know, by virtue of his five stars Omar Bradley is empowered to design his own uniform. As his old one was getting a bit shiny on the seat, Brad decided to try his hand in the new Army Green motif. The result was right snazzy ... even a bit on the Saville Row side ... and figuring there was no reason to hide his light under a bushel, Omar wore it to luncheon at a Georgetown restaurant. Lest someone be embarrassed we will refrain from relating in incident of the parcel-laden society hostess who commanded the services of this resplendent "doorman" to assist her into her cab.

Mason Young, who has just finished one job and is about to take on another, attended the February Washington luncheon, accompanied by his son William who is a career man with Foreign Service.

The P.J. Muellers have been promoted to Senior status having attained the sixth grandchild in the person of the third daughter of son Paul Jr. and his wife. Paul is now in Korea and daughter Betty's husband, Bill Parker, is sweating out a Pentagon sentence.

Lenora Teter writes that Joe has had to stick in the house most of the year but they hope to make the Reunion. And from faraway Winnepeg comes word that Dorothy Taylor will be with us in June.

Down Asheville way the Oiseau Kings, not to be outdone by the Wogans and Whites, will board the Queen Elizabeth in late March with a view to touring Europe by small car during which tour they hope to see the Larkins, Serles, Beukemas and Jim Hodgson.

Deep in the Florida hinterlands John Henry Cochran smoked out a bit of news

of the hidden population of the West Coast. That tribe has been decreased by the moving of the Cliff Jones to Kentucky so that they might be closer to their married daughter, with, of course the added bonus of greatly shortened distances to sources of certain vital beverages.

Ned Zundel reports that they both are ambulatory and as late as last June he was able to totter up the aisle to give away Eleanor Junior in marriage. As no reply came from the Robinsons, probably Robby and Grace are gallivanting. And the Dutch Gerhardtts report that they are both in excellent health and now are Junior grandparents.

The Cochran's took their usual summer jaunts to the Smokies and on one return trip stopped by Benning to get medically OK'd for another year. Their son, John Jr., back from Turkey, is now at V.M.I. with his family. Louise Kahle, looking tops, was a recent visitor but they missed an earlier visit from the Hockers. John Henry generously points out that his septuagenarian honors are shared by Charlie Ritchel and Bob Lorch. He also reports that he, Ned Zundel and Robbie will be at the Reunion but didn't say if they were dragging.

Across the State, despite helpful hints from Johnny Wogan, Tom and Cecelia Hanley took the plans of their house, added a foot here and another there and came up with an edifice only slightly smaller than Thayer Hall. They started again from scratch and are now building a house they hope to occupy in June. Three to one the housewarming will be in October.

Venus Small reports that Bill Boots has sold his Connecticut home and has indicated he might be interested in a summer home near West Point. Ned Zundel, hitch-hiking through the inland waterways to Ft. Lauderdale, visited Bill and got the usual Boots red carpet treatment. And from Bill himself came cards from Lima and Buenos Aires saying he would include Santiago, Sao Paulo, Montevideo, Rio and waypoints in his itinerary and what better advance man could Ike have?

From Coral Gables Gibby reports that the Bradleys are finding their rest at Miami Beach anything but, what with Brad being called on to present crowns, appear on TV, and so forth. However, a joint Bradley-Gibson operation was planned for around Washington's natal day.

Peg Lindner is spending the winter at Fort Myers Beach and plans to return to Maine in early Spring. She probably meant in May as that is the month the Maine winter changes to "just poor sleighing."

You won't believe this but we had a letter from Leo Walton who bragged a bit about Florida's superb winter climate. However, the impact of his glowing description was greatly lessened by pictures in the Washington papers showing smudge pots burning merrily in an effort to save the Florida citrus crop. And here in Maryland, we have not lost an oyster all winter through freezing. Although he had no news concerning them, Goop did mention George Stratemeyer, Benny Ferris and Lev Williams so apparently they are still being carried for rations.

Our card to Jim Van Fleet brought no

reply. Probably Jim and Helen have gone to California to get warm.

We went to the Navy Game. This matter will be discussed in full at the regular meeting, scheduled for November 26, 1960, under the head of "Unfinished Business.")

Changes of address:

Phil McNair, P.O. Box 1082, Port Isabel, Texas.

Clesen Tenney, 2020 Rose Lane, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Cliff Jones, 221 Mimosa Lane, Paducah, Kentucky.

Jim Hodgson (Colonel, AUS, Ret), 47 Avenue Paul Doumer, Paris 16, France.

John Smylie, Box 4127, Santa Barbara, California.

Joe McNarney, P.O. Box 979, La Jolla, California.

Anyone having an address for Oscar Straub or Mrs. J.H.C. Williams, later than those in our Directory, please contact Tom Hanley.

Major Anastacio Quevedo Ver died on Saturday, 5 March 1960. Funeral was 9 March, burial in Golden Gate Cemetery, San Francisco.

Many thanks for the news you sent in. Please send it to Johnny for the next issue. Hope to see you all in June.

—Hume Peabody

Box 313, Leonardtown, Md.

## 1916

The Washington group started the new year with a dinner dance on January 14th at the Army-Navy Club. Those present were the De Witts, Gallaghers, Maguires, O'Hares, Pricketts, Scotts, Walshes, Edith Cabell and the Blisses. Parker and Margaret Kuhn came from New York for the occasion. It was a great success and will be repeated next year. Pat Flanigen, who is teaching at the University of Georgia, writes that he attended a cocktail party given by the Pickering's at Fort McPherson. Pick's wife, Lillian, was taken to the hospital that morning suffering an attack of pleuresy and could not be there.

The Hendersons and Fred and Helen Inglis hit San Francisco at the same time last December. The Johns and Bob McBrides gave a dinner in their honor at the Treasure Island Club. While motoring through southern California, "Hearse" saw Rutherford at Incinitas and also Joe Grant. Dwight also made a trip in the same area and saw Berry, Lange and Worsham, en route. Berry says he does not travel much due to diet restrictions since the doctors "chopped up his stomach". He keeps active looking after his place in Santa Barbara. The Russells motored through Canada as far as Quebec in October and stopped off for several days at West Point on their way home to Detroit.

The Tullys had their Navy son and his family with them for Christmas in San Antonio. Joe went out and shot a couple of deer in the Texas hills for the holiday menu. His youngest son is at Ft. Sam Houston and another son, Larkin, is in Washington, and Joe expects to visit him before long. The Brundreds were in California in December and there saw the Styers in Coronado. Their next trip in

March will take them to Florida and then north to visit their daughter in Virginia and their son in Connecticut.

Eddie Shaifer, who had his artificial leg fitted last summer says he went dove shooting in a camp chair and bagged the limit. The Robbs celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in November with a trip to New York and West Point. At home in Chapel Hill, N.C., Holland writes that he is becoming an expert bricklayer while Marian is painting murals in the dining room. Leslie Saul, who for a number of years was at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., has retired there. He says he is just loafing now. He would like to see any classmates coming his way. Ferdie Gallagher has been recalled to active duty with the Battle Monuments Commission in connection with the dedication of several recently completed American memorials in Belgium and Holland. He and Helen expect to sail for Paris in April.

While travelling in New England last summer, Pat Flanigen saw Don Chapin in Portland. Tom Peyton has been wintering in Sanford, Fla. The Moses have taken an apartment in Boston where they expect to spend the winters in future, returning to their house in New Hampshire in the summer. The Shuggs were last heard from in Gibraltar. They should soon be home from their globe-circling trip. The Inglises spent the summer at their cabin in Jackson Hole, Wyo. Fred says he is still a mountain climber. The Merrells were in Washington on a brief business trip in January, Carl Doney has undergone a serious throat operation in San Francisco this winter. The Mileys were back at their home in Leavenworth at Christmas time, after spending the summer in Colorado.

Please note: The 1916 group in Washington D.C. meets regularly for lunch at the Army and Navy Club on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The welcome mat is out for visiting classmates.

—E. G. Bliss

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April

## 1917

The sympathy of the class goes to "Ree" Bowlin for the death of her husband and our classmate, Roy. Roy and Ree were married the day after our graduation, and Ree is remembered with affection from cadet days by many members of the class.

George and Dorothy Beurket have sold their farm in Pennsylvania and are reported to be looking for more balmy climes.

Parson Parks recently had a severe bout with pneumonia, which put him in Walter Reed for a while. He has resigned from his full-time teaching job in Luray, Va.

Joe Collins is in Walter Reed for a short stay, but expects to be out shortly as good as new.

Basil Perry has been in Walter Reed for some time. The affection and best wishes of the class go to Basil for an early recovery.

We saw Willis and Kay Teale and "Jas" and Jean Stewart in Florida in De-

ember. All four of them are looking fine. "Jas" has been with Arthur B. Miller, Real Estate, for the past six years. "Jas" and Jean's son, Major John A. (Jack) Stewart, Jr. is an instructor at Leavenworth. He has two girls and a boy. Their other son, Major Keith (Kay) MacArthur Stewart, is stationed in Berlin, but is expected back in June. He has four boys.

Lawrence and Dorothy Mitchell's lovely daughter, Barbara was married in the Ft. McNair chapel January 30th, 1960, to Richard Kirchner, who is on the editorial staff of C.B.S. in New York City. Barbara has transferred from the Washington office to the New York office of the American Express Company.

Malcolm Helm has retired from his position as Chief Petroleum Engineer of the New Orleans District of Texaco. At a big retirement party that was given for him January 23rd, Joe Tate conveyed the greetings and best wishes of the class to Malcolm, and read congratulatory telegrams from several members of the class. As a side-line, Malcolm has been very successful with oil painting, for which he has real talent.

Jeff and Marian Steiner are enjoying a very full life in Birmingham, Ala. Jeff, whose profession is the appraisal of real estate over the entire country, takes an active part in the affairs of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, is a Trustee of Birmingham Museum of Art, and devotes time to sundry civic affairs. Jeff and Marian plan to make a repeat trip this summer to Scandinavia, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. They are now sponsoring an attractive young lady from Copenhagen as a student at Birmingham-Southern College. Jeff recommends such a "hobby" as a refreshing and rejuvenating pastime—heaps of fun! Jeff and Marian's only child is married to a professor of English at Emory University in Atlanta. They have a son, age 10. Jeff writes "ALL of you are assured of my WARMEST welcome!"

On Sunday, Feb. 28th, Mark Clark read the lesson at the service of Evensong at the National Cathedral, and the Cadet Choir of The Citadel sang at the same service.

Clark and Jessie Fales have been spending some time in the Caribbean, and now are on their way to Spain and other parts of Europe.

Louis and Dorothy Guion are still living in Springfield, Mass., where Dorothy is very busy with her music,—has a class ranging in age from seven to seventy—has been president of the music club, a study club, and a director of the Springfield Women's Club. Also she has been giving lectures on various phases of music to many clubs in the area. "Tubby" says that in self defense and to enable him to get out of the house occasionally he has started a management consulting organization for retired men. They have worked for about twenty manufacturers in the area, made a little money and had an interesting time.

Paul and Ida Brown plan to sell their house in Los Gatos, Calif. and go to Honolulu with their pet Siamese cat Toady. There they will buy a cooperative apartment away from Waikiki where all maintenance will be provided.

Charlie Gerhardt sent a clipping from Winter Park, Florida, saying that Bill

Harrison was the guest speaker at the Youth for Christ meeting there on December 10th. The article quoted the New York Herald Tribune which lauded Bill's leadership in World War II, saying, "Harrison was admired by his men because he would appear in the vanguard of the fighting with a tommy-gun in his hand."

Charlie said that on Dec. 12th, he and Bill and Alice Mc Mahon's daughter Alice, participated in a public forum on Cuba, at which the guest was Mrs. Ruby Phillips, New York Times correspondent in Havana.

Early in January Charles H. Gerhardt Jr. wife and two children visited Charlie and Nina, the guest of honor was Charles H. Gerhardt III, age two months. Nina Jr. (Mrs. D. J. Kennedy) is living in Berlin. "Best wishes to all hands".

Bill and Jule Heavey attended General Mac Arthur's 80th birthday dinner in January at the Waldorf Astoria. This is the thirteenth consecutive dinner since Mac Arthur returned from the S.W. Pacific.

Marvil Armstrong has been spending the winter in Spain and on Majorca and Clare Armstrong and his wife have bought a home on Majorca.

Kewp and Gay Yuill are being kept busy and on the go by their teen-age daughter Julia's many activities. Her latest is interscholastic debating and being her class president. Kewp is doing a very great deal for the class and deserves all our thanks.

—Harold R. Jackson  
814 Albany Ave.  
Alexandria, Va.

## August 1917

Boyl! We almost didn't make this deadline. Miriam threw a little party one Saturday night when the Sharps were in Washington and the following Monday found eight of our guests and the host as well in bed with the flu, each in his own home or motel, we should add. We personally recovered in due time and then went out to Walter Reed to keep an appointment at the GU Clinic. Two days later the flu struck again and it damn near ruined our plumbing. Well, we've recovered now and the world looks bright once more, the more so since at last we have our new contact glasses and can really see for the first time in ten years; you'd think they were colored rose.

A Correction: In the last ASSEMBLY we told how Bill and Toodles Chapman had to miss the Air Force Game, even though they were in New York at the time. Now Bill tells us they made it after all; the AAA really came across and though it couldn't seat them with the Class it did put them on the fifty yard line. Bill and Toodles are enjoying a four months trip to Europe right now; they'll return to New York the first of June and may see a bit of June Week.

Back now to the Sharps: They arrived in Washington in the early winter and Dent had some corrections made at Walter Reed. Later they staged a magnificent party at Anderson House where we met Frederick D., III's lovely new wife, the former Eugenia Van de Water of

Winter Park and Southport, whom he married last August. Fred, who always represents his father at our Class luncheons, has just been given the Panama desk in the Department of State.

On their way to New Zealand and the best trout fishing in the world, the Sharps had a stopover in Phoenix, where Ellanor's flu returned, and five days with Jack Mallory in San Francisco. The weather was vile, according to Jack, but he put on a big party at the Presidio anyway. Among the guests were the Taylor de Camps, the Mickey Kernans, the Pablo Coles, and the Willie Wilsons of our Class and the Milt Halseys and Louie Martins of April, 1917.

Our latest note from Ellanor, post-marked "Vancouver," says after seeing the California classmates, "Now I know I am prejudiced but truly August '17 has something above and beyond all other groups for me."

Jack Mallory says of himself that he has had "a bit of surgery (again!) the latter part of November . . . which seems to have been successful so far."

More News of Californians: The Pablo Coles stopped in Southern Cal in December on their way to Las Vegas for the Holidays. Saw Mary Louise Bobrink in Palo Alto; she looks fine and plans to fly to Japan and the Orient in April. Las Vegas, the Coles found, is fabulous and it was fun, seeing the shows and watching the gamblers.

Here is our very newest Californian: Wayne Courtwright has retired after many years with the VA in the Kansas City area and has brought a home in Anaheim for "our golden years."

Brief Items from Here and There: Carl Wilson, back in John Day, Ore., is "about the same," so Madeline writes, "but his spirits are high and we're even planning a trip around the world next year—if the damn Sheriff will just stop breathing down my neck" and she asks, "Do you know where Jane Pohl is?" We do. Only two days ago Jane wrote that she has sold her home in Watch Hill, is building a new one in Leesburg, Va., and plans to move in by early summer.

New Addresses Before We Forget: W.W. Courtwright, 229 Beach St., Anaheim, Calif.; Brig. Gen. Theodore L. Futch, Lyman Ward Military Academy, Camp Hill, Ala.; Maj. Gen. Edmond H. Leavey, 129 Dowsett Ave., Honolulu 17, Hawaii; Mrs. H.H. Pohl, Route 2, Leesburg, Va.; and Col. Francis P. Simpson, 8737½ Fairview Ave., San Gabriel 1, Calif.

Simpson, according to Louie Snell, has suffered a light stroke—he didn't know just when—but has made a good come back. Louie also tells us there hasn't been much snow in Vermont to flood the trout streams this spring.

Ed Leavey retired last July 31 as President of ITT, sold his farm in Virginia, and now is well established in Honolulu. Saw Tracy Dickson, George Hirsch, and Bart Harloe during Tracy's recent Hawaiian Holiday and was very much pleased to find them all "holding together without too many bandages and glue."

We haven't seen Tracy nor George recently but we can vouch for Bart; we caught a glimpse of him at Loessa Coffey's when he and Virginia stopped in

Washington during their three months visit to the Mainland this past winter. Bart was the picture of health—and Virginia was a picture.

Jules Schaefer, though retired from the active management of Boeing in Wichita, still is with the Boeing Board and attends the weekly staff meetings. He plans to be in Washington in March, in Phoenix in April for a visit with daughter Betta and family, and after that in Los Angeles and perhaps San Francisco to visit classmates and friends.

For the Doc Fausts, the lure of the Maine seacoast will prevail over that of the blue Mediterranean for 1960; they will spend this summer at Christmas Cove. Delighted to welcome classmates, they warn however that they neither sail, fish, nor swim in Maine's icy waters; they enjoy the view.

Maris Black teaches Business Administration in the Junior College in Bel Air, Md., while Lowell Riley busies himself with real estate in Leesburg, Va., hunts twice a week, October to April, with the Loudoun Hunt, and never leaves home otherwise except under pressure—except to go with daughter Brooks on a trip to Mexico and a 7,000 mile motor trip in Europe.

Girard Troland in Lexington, Mass., just cannot think of any news; he does not believe we are interested in the "almost wonderful" mince pie he had just baked, in his work around the house, in his figure skating, or in his views on military matters. Having just finished General Taylor's book, he realizes that all of our military skills are obsolete.

Anne and Miles Cowles are well and happy in Three Rivers, Mich., and busy commuting to Chicago and Princeton to visit their children and grandchildren; they have four of the latter and are expecting a fifth soon in Princeton, daughter Nancy's third.

Henry Demuth reports the steelhead fishing is lousy in Oregon but promises to do his best for us if we come out that way; he himself caught but one all last year and that was a mistake; he was fishing for salmon.

News From Florida: Not one word on the fishing down there and we just don't understand it. Red and Edith Shaffer were down there in February; saw Josh Stansell in Elko, S.C.; Bill and Maudie Jenna and Bob Willard in Coral Gables; Frank and Mary Meade in Naples but missed Timberlake; the McGregors, the Reinburgs, and Mary Garity and Ross' mother in Bradenton; the Morgans, Days, Rolfes, Sarckas, and Eddie House in Winter Park; and just missed Kit Carson in Gainesville.

Mac McGregor has given up all civic activities and devotes himself to his duties as yard boy—Red Shaffer thought we in Washington had problems with crab grass until he saw Florida; they have problems the whole year long. Billy Reinburg keeps his good health and is going all out to break 90 on the golf course. Pinky Rolfe concentrates on championship golf; his golf earnings are said to exceed those from his parking meters. Phil Day has given up golf; he devotes himself to his painting. Tim Timberlake's daughter is a Freshman at Rollins College where she made her debut as an actress in "Guys and Dolls."

Verna Morgan is busy with her Pen-women, the DAR, and the making and marketing of cute little foam rubber dolls while Clyde keeps books and collects. Eddie House has withdrawn himself from circulation while he labors with his income tax. Swede and Betty Sarcka are wintering in Winter Park; we hear they have bought a home in North Bennington, Vt. The Meades are coming to Washington at Easter time to visit daughter Mary Jo and family, soon to be transferred to Europe.

We close on a note of sadness. Anne Whittington, Bill's wife and companion of 42 years, died last September, a victim of cancer. Her passing was merciful but Bill's life is very empty now; we pray that God may comfort him.

—Leo B. Conner,  
1529 18th Street, N.W.,  
Washington 6, D.C.

## June 1918

At last I've heard about *Bill Coogan*. My early appeals in the Class Notes of ASSEMBLY did not get any response. No one knew anything about him. But I received in the mail a letter from the wife of an officer of 1908 which apprised me that Bill had died in Maricopa county, Ariz., April 24, 1956. It was said that he was examined at Walter Reed and given six months to live, but, instead, he lived twenty years under the ministrations of a doctor friend in Arizona.

Bill resigned from the Infantry in 1921 after his service in Russia in the 1st World War. I saw him at West Point in 1926 at graduation, and I stopped by New York and stayed overnight at his apartment. At that time he was doing some work with one of the big contractors. But sometime thereafter he drove West in a Packard roadster and the class lost further contact with him. But he retained his military connection, being commissioned a captain in the Air Corps in 1942, where he did some splendid work in training units. But his age caught him in the grade of Lieut. Col. and he was discharged. He was living with his doctor friend when he died and was buried in the friend's lot. He was a bachelor, without dependents or known relatives. His obituary should appear elsewhere in this issue of ASSEMBLY. Please underscore his name on the address list.

We regret to announce the death of *Helen Newman's* son, who died suddenly on December 4th of a heart attack while at work. His interment took place at Arlington Cemetery on December 8th.

*Sam Sturgis* is back from his operation and a period of convalescence at the hospital, where he was learning to crawl then to walk again. He said the surgeon cut a hole in his head, stuck a tiny balloon down in it, blew up the balloon, put a drop of alcohol down in his brain, and shortly thereafter said, "General, stick out your hand", and damned if he didn't stick it out with muscles that had been paralyzed for years. The effectiveness of the treatment was that quick! The operation was a complete success.

*Sam writes*: The operation has opened up a new and wonderful vista for me of the very joy of being able to

walk again and lead a normal life. As yet it is only a vista of a miracle. I have quite a way to go, but the docs all agree and assure me I'll be playing 18 holes by Spring. I cannot walk as yet, but my left side is no longer paralyzed. I can cross my leg over my right thigh, and my left arm no longer hangs like an iron claw at my side as it has for the past 8 years. In fact my left hand is coming more and more to life as every day passes. On walking I am progressing. A major part of my problem is *balance* to be learned all over again.

Outside my own physical situation, it has been an unusual and wonderful human experience. As opposed to the Army's position of not treating or hospitalizing retired personnel afflicted with chronic disease, this hospital is Saint Barnabas Hospital for chronic diseases, and the spirit pervading all ranks, from the operating teams under Doctor Cooper to the auxiliary nurses, is that there are no incurable diseases. When you see a younger man of say 30, mumbling mush-like phrases and shaking both arms as much as two feet suddenly become quiet and normal instead of a human wreck, it does something to you beyond description!

I recently abandoned my house alterations, jumped into my car and went to Chattanooga, down the Shenandoah Valley, to get out of the cold rainy winter of Washington. After a few days of rain and fog at my niece's there, I went on to New Orleans. I had called up *Lifsey* and tried to get him to go to Hawaii with me, but he answered with a hoarse voice that he was in bed trying to get over the flu. So I went on alone to San Antonio, where I stayed with my sister-in-law. There I called the classmates, *Barragan*, *Gillespie*, *Blanchard* and *Holman* and asked them and their wives to a buffet smorgasbord supper at the Club the next Sunday. Next day each of them dated me up to lunches or dinners. I had to decline the Blanchard's bid for I was dining with my nephew's mother-in-law. *Barragan* insisted that we all assemble at his house for drinks after which we went to the club. They treated me like a VIP. I had lunch with *Barragan* and lunch with *Gillespie* and drove around the town with them. I dined with *Holman* and *Lita*.

The following Monday morning I departed in the fog which rapidly cleared, and stopped for the night at Van Horn, Tex. Next day I ran through a sand storm whipped up by a wind of hurricane proportions, which blew up my hood, and I was pooped when I got out in that wind and sand and finally got it fixed by my own exertions. It was so black at noonday at El Paso that I did not stop but went on barely able to see the road, to Las Cruces. Called up *Cruse* at Las Cruces and he came over and took me to see *Caffey* in his office, where I imbibed a bit of gratuitous wisdom anent World War II. *Savvy* and *Margaret Cruse*, after showing me their place, took me to a Steak House where we got a wonderful steak.

Next day I drove to Tucson. Called up *Adcock*, who, however, had an engagement, so I did not see him. Went on to San Diego next day. Stopped at La Jolla and called up *Hab Elliot* and didn't get

him. I was told that he was in a hospital in San Francisco. I enjoyed strolling in the sun of Balboa Park and viewing again the lovely buildings which remain from their 1915 fair, with their beautiful trees and shrubbery. Then I proceeded up to Disneyland and took the guided tour which comprised seeing the sights from the train, the launch, and their steamboat, seeing sights from afoot and from their monorail. Went on up to the Mission Inn at Riverside and saw my wartime regimental chauffeur who lives in the vicinity. Spent a couple of nights at the En Canto Hotel up in the hills of Santa Barbara and stopped by the Hearst Castle at San Simeon—well worth the seeing. Then I went up to Greenfield and saw Babe Hiehle who had gone to Europe with me when I was with the State Department. I left my car with Hiehle at a modest price and proceeded to San Francisco in the car of one of his friends. Couldn't get accommodations on ship or airplane, so gave up my trip to Hawaii. Called up the Army Hospital and the Navy hospital and finally found *Hab Elliot* over in OakKnoll, beyond Oakland—a Naval hospital—and went out to see him. He had written me that he had suffered a detached retina in the left eye, but that the Navy at San Diego had stuck it back and all was "shipshape". But I found him with two masks over his eyes. He had gotten the flu or pneumonia after his first eye trouble and the other eye had begun to give him trouble. But he said he was about to leave the hospital and go home, and it seemed that all would be well with him. Next day I stopped by *Pichel's* office and he called *Agnew* and we lunched at the lawyer's club. That night I left by Greyhound Bus and arrived next day at Portland, Oregon. I wanted to check up on my address for *O'Ferrall Knight*, my good friend and roommate at West Point, for no one ever received any reply to letters sent him. I found *O'Ferrall* ensconced amidst 1253 acres of beautiful farmlands which he owns including 3 miles of river frontage some 20 miles or so outside of Portland. He had sold all the cattle he formerly owned. He and Polly came in and got me and took me out to their place for lunch. And they proceeded to "smash me all to bits and remould me to the hearts desire" at least to the extent of giving me a leather tie string that was more in keeping with my New England wool shirt and coat than was the tie I had on. *O'Ferrall* had made it and I was very pleased to get it for it allows the collar to be open and not too open. I will say to the class that *O'Ferrall* is a handsome specimen of manhood despite some overweight. I use the term "ensconced" as meaning "comfortably settled" and not in its other sense of hiding. He is "comfortably and snugly settled" in his civilian affairs which deal with the future and he does not want to get back into army affairs which are of the past. He is not one of those men who remain collegiate all their lives. He completely convinced me that he is right in his attitude. And I respect him for it.

Next morning I called the airport, found I could get a seat to Washington via Chicago, jumped into my clothes and axied out there. From sunshine to Oregon above clouds to snow in Chicago, I ar-

rived home to find it snowing, amazed at the speed of travel these days.

*Adcock*: The class news in ASSEMBLY is of particular interest to those of us living far from Washington. I thought the recent yarn on Gene Caffey was tops. Of course we can't all be distinguished fathers—and grandfathers. Keep up the good work.

*Casey*: I've staged a fine recovery from my coronary attack of a year ago. Just a few weeks ago we sold our large (14 room) co-operative apartment and bought and moved into a much smaller but beautiful terrace apartment at the Sherry Netherland, 5th Ave and 59th St., New York 22, N.Y. (Please note the new address). The move was rugged as we had to put stuff in storage, send some to our summer home, some to the Metropolitan Museum, Natural History Museum, Thrift Shop, Salvation Army, etc. But our servant problems are no more.

*Richardson*: After stashing Frances and Page in baby-sitting responsibilities for respective grandchildren, *Hal Lewis* and I sneaked up to the Laurentian Park in Quebec for speckled trout. We caught a lot of trout and had a very interesting trip together. The California and Pennsylvania contingents of grandchildren continue to demand attention, but also provide an excuse for travel. The news of *Sam Sturgis's* operation and his current recovery is very gratifying.

*Moore*: Saw in the paper that *Lucius Clay* made a speech in Miami Beach. Have enjoyed a couple of fishing trips on *Hal Lewis's* cabin cruiser and we were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of the Lewises along with their daughter, her 3 children, and other members of the family.

*Smith*: We have been well, except for Carol's leg, and that continues to heal. By Spring we hope that she will be able to abandon her steel braces.

*Gallagher*: Leila and I are well and happy. I manage to keep busy by dabbling in real estate and participation in civic activities—I'm on the sucker list.

*Sibert*: Laura and I spent the winter as usual at Yeaman's Hall Club, ten miles North of Charleston, S.C., holding our heads down and trying to be relaxed at golf. In summer we live on Martha's Vineyard and go ashore only in case of real emergency. Coming and going, we visit our children and our nine grandchildren. Our oldest boy, *Edwin Jr.*, after seven years in the Navy, is now with Bankers Trust Co. of N.Y. Our second boy, *Bill*, is a Major in the Army at Fort Rucker learning to be an aviator. Our daughter, *Cary*, married *A.C. Smith's* (USMA '17) son and they and their three children live in Houston. We sincerely hope that any classmate chancing in our vicinity will call us and pay us a visit. Our best wishes to all for 1960.

*Johnny Haleston*: For a brief moment I was married about 30 years ago. I forget the lady's name. Have been living alone since the early thirties. (So now we've got to chance the designation "bachelor" after Haleston's name on the Address List to "Widower.")

*Sylvia Shattuck*: My engagement has been off since before the Navy Game, and I'm not going to marry Ed. Our temperaments would not lead to happiness if we joined forces. I still love my

job and my home and am keeping busy.

*Reg Whitaker's* new address: 22 Country Club Place West, Camp Hill, Penna. Please change your address list.

*Mike Grenata's* school address is: 35 N Fulton Street, Apt. 2, Allentown, Pa. His permanent address is that shown on the Address List.

—*Harry Underwood*  
8 East Lenox St.  
Chevy Chase 15, Md.

November

1918

Allison Miller has been pretty mobile the last few months. After doing the East Coast and Middle West he disappeared into Mexico so there isn't much news from California. Harrison Shaler has found out why he got no mail for several months—the carrier was stuffing it in the slot in the front door of a vacant house next door.

Morris Gilland reports that *Connie* is making a strong recovery after her bout with the surgeons.

George B. McReynolds writes: "Just recently I caught up with a couple of mythical characters, *Pop Hendrick* and *Fred Sherrill*. Mrs. Hendrick died a couple of months ago and *Pop* is cooking for himself in a beautiful new house on a mountain with a million dollar view. We discussed the splendid job you are doing with *Class Notes*." (Thanks).

*Fred Butler* plans to come East in early April and be in the Washington area between 5-9 April. *Fred Stevens* is now Brig. Gen. F. A. Stevens, U.S.M.C., Retired. *Fred Sherrill* has just been elected to the Board of Directors of General Dynamics. He is shortly to retire as an executive of the J. G. Boswell Company and will spread his talents in a much wider sphere.

The Washington, D.C. group of our class has sent in the following report: The regular monthly class luncheon will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Army-Navy Town Club instead of on the second Tuesday at the Officers Club at Fort Myer. This change was made effective with the January luncheon, which was well attended, with 19 classmates present. *Les Groves* was down from New York, and *Trichel* showed up during the luncheon. The latter was in Washington on business, and having eaten at the Club, noticed our group and said hello to everybody. *Walter Wood*, who has a summer home in Washington state and lives in the District during the winter, was also at the luncheon. After this recent snow, however, *Woody* has decided to go back to his "home in the west."

*Lou Gibney* was in the Washington area recently, having come up from Clearwater, Florida, to visit his sons who are stationed at Quantico, Va. *Harrison Shaler* was also in Washington during the early part of February.

*Charlie Colson* has resigned his position with Federal Services Finance Corporation and is now enjoying retired life in Leesburg, Va. He was manager of Federal Services' Office in Alexandria, Va. *Pinkie Williamson* has also resigned from Federal Services. He was representing them down in Augusta,

Georgia. It is understood that Pinkie and Helen will remain in Augusta.

Jim Christiansen informs us that he and Mrs. Branner Pace Purdue, widow of General Purdue and resident of Columbus, Ga., will be married on April 2.

The busy Badgers! Between business and their widespread offspring they do get around. They spent some time last summer at the beach with Bob and Jeanne, made several trips to Woodbury, N.J., to visit Bill, Dawn and their four children. Bill is East Coast Manager of the Petreco Division of Petrolite Corp. During September they took a blitz trip to Europe, visiting twelve countries in 24 days. Laura Belle is busy as a Gray Lady at the Soldiers' Home Hospital, as Registrar of the Army-Navy Chapter of the DAR, church circle work, etc. Bill, senior, is Executive Vice President of Federal Services Finance Corp.

Rene Pinto retired 31 December 1958. He now lives at 6429 S.W. 25th Street, West Hollywood, Fla. The Florida move was due to Winifred's sister Alice's physical condition. She is now so much better that she has been in Washington attending to her National Academy of Broadcasting. Rene, himself, has been none too well, but after surgery and a Caribbean Cruise now "feels grand." In March Rene and Winifred plan to fly to La Jolla seeking the best climate for him. In the next Assembly we may report a California address for the Pintos.

If our Class Notes seem short to you, please do something about it. All I know is what I read in your letters.

Both Ethel and I have been preoccupied with our little daughter Kate these last months. She spent February in the National Institutes of Health at Bethesda, Md., being given every possible test and examination in an attempt to diagnose and treat her. During that time we spent most of our waking hours either with her or on the road back and forth. We are all happily together again at the farm in Virginia.

—G. Bryan Conrad  
White Post, Va.

## 1919

For the second time in 1960 these notes must start off with a report of the death of another classmate. Hilton E. Heinecke passed away at his home in Vincennes, Ind. on 11 January of this year. No details are available except that he had lived at 1402 Old Orchard Road in Vincennes since his retirement in 1946. I express the sympathy of the Class to his wife, Emily, and their two sons.

Most of the news items in this issue were furnished by Kyke Allan from Washington. Incidentally Kyke has the distinction of being President of the Washington, D.C. West Point Society, obviously one of the larger ones. Harrison Heiberg is President of Louisville, Ky., Society.

Ralph Miller is back in Walter Reed with a recurrence of his lung trouble. Sladen Bradley has returned to his home in Winter Park, Fla., after a siege in Walter Reed, and reports he is making progress.

Chick Noble has switched jobs from Vice President of the Federal Services

Finance Corp. of Texas to Executive Secretary of the Printing Industry of San Antonio, Inc., 917 Travis Building, San Antonio 5, Texas.

Forrest Cookson's new address is The Clemson House, Clemson, S.C. It is advertised as Carolina's smartest hotel. Stone Sorley was a recent Washington visitor, making the trip from California to see his father, whom we all remember as Colonel Sorley, Class of 1891. Stone's new address is 5815 Mildred St., San Diego 10, California.

The annual Valentine's Day cocktail party of the Washington Group was held on Saturday, 13 February at the Army-Navy Club.

Nate Twining continues to be in the headlines and acquiring a reputation for plain speaking. Kyke furnishes an article about a mid-winter conference in Paris attended by Nate and Willie Palmer at which Nate apparently told the French off concerning their NATO obligations.

Bob and Whitey Gard were December visitors at West Point. Bob retired on 30 November 59. The Gards have bought a home at 238 Five Oaks Drive, San Antonio 9, Texas.

Ike and Margie Lawrence are back for Casita Rodero, At Twin Shores, Longboat Key, Florida.

Ham Hamilton writes at some length from Verdun. Jazz Parsons is still teaching for the European Division of the University of Maryland. Ham and Viv have been having a wonderful trip for themselves, traveling "space-available" and by car in Europe. They report that retired officers are very courteously treated at all Army installations in Europe, and can travel very inexpensively. Ham concludes with this philosophical sentence "Retreading the footprints of the Cadetti Americani in Italy is cause for a pause to ponder a few things and what has happened to the individuals in the last 40 years."

Your scribe and his wife are off this spring on a professorial anti-stagnation trip, sort of a minor sabbatical leave. We are scheduled as this is being written to visit military installations, AEC facilities, and civilian universities all the way from Florida to California and back again. We hope to see some of the readers of this column enroute. Back in time for June Week and to write the next installment, we hope.

—B. W. (Brick) Bartlett  
West Point, N.Y.

## 1920

I presume that the thoughts of most of the members of our Class at this time are concentrated on our 40th Reunion next June Week. On 15 February, Reunion Bulletin Number 1 was mailed to each member of the class together with a reply card and a tentative schedule of printed class events. If for any reason any member did not receive this Bulletin, it must have been because his current address as recorded at the USMA is incorrect. If such is your case, please communicate without delay with your representative.

1920 looks for a large turn-out. Let's make it the biggest ever!

This morning I received a note from Hank Travis (known to most as the "Big Un") he writes as follows:

"As you know George Bare was my cadet roommate. We were very close then and have been ever since. His son, Pete, will graduate from the Point this June, and he is the current Captain of the Cadet Swimming Team. My son, Tom, one of the twins, will graduate from Dartmouth this June, where he also is the current Captain of the Dartmouth Swimming Team. For the past three years there has been a yearly match between the swimming teams of West Point and Dartmouth. The peculiar coincidence is that Pete and Tom are pitted against each other and are specialists in the same three events which are the 50 and 100 yards sprints and the relay match. This I pass along as an item of interest 40 years after."

The "Big Un" went on to say that he and his winsome wife, Madeline, had just returned from a three months tour of the West Coast and Mexico. As he put it, they arrived home just before Christmas in time to change their dirty shirts and again took off on a six weeks Mediterranean cruise. It appears that their shirts got dirty again on the cruise and the Traveses are now at home getting cleaned up for June Week. They are anxious to see how everybody looks 40 years later.

I regret that it must be my sad duty to report the death of three esteemed classmates:

Colonel John L. Davidson, U.S.A.F., Retired, died at Madigan Army Hospital, Tacoma, Wash., on December 9, 1959. He is survived by his widow Mrs. Elizabeth Davidson, Livingston Manor, N.Y. Davidson was buried at Livingston Manor, which is in Sullivan County near his birth place.

Colonel Basil G. Thayer, USA, Retired, died at Del Ray Beach, Florida, January 23, 1960. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Katherine H. Thayer, 12 Sea Spray Avenue, Del Ray Beach, Florida and a brother, Colonel Arthur P. Thayer, USA, Retired, Arlington, Va. Thayer was a collateral descendant of Colonel Sylvanus Thayer, founder and Superintendent of the United States Military Academy.

Colonel Joseph R. Stauffer, USA, Retired, died at the home of his brother, Donald, in Stamford, Conn. on February 7, 1960. He was 62 years old and lived at 49 E. Eighty-sixth Street, New York City.

Joe was a former manager of the radio production department of N. W. Ayer, which is in New York City, and he produced a number of radio series including "The Telephone Hour". Stauffer joined the firm in 1945. When he retired in 1959 he was in charge of television program development.

During World War II, as a reserve officer, Joe was called to active duty and served for three years as an instructor in the English Department at West Point. He left the service in 1945 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

He is survived, besides his brother, by his widow, Mrs. Elinor Stevenson Stauffer; a son, Major Joseph R. Stauffer, Jr., USA; his mother, Mrs. Walter F. Stauffer, and two sisters.

After a funeral service in the Post Chapel at West Point, on February 10th, he was buried in the United State Military Academy Cemetery.

—E. C. ("Ted") Gillette, Jr.  
West Point, New York

Publication of the Class address list and the letter giving the Washington Group views on a Class book for 1963 brought on a number of letters and cards as well as notes on Christmas greetings. The Committee and I wish to thank you for the many favorable comments about the work of that body and this column. Many of the notes were concerned primarily with changes in address and the like. The items listed below are believed to be of general interest.

**WORKMAN** has acquired a sixth granddaughter. His daughter Ann has gotten her Ph D and is working in Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor, Mich.

**POST** seems to be happily settled at Pebble Beach and playing golf regularly. He and Virginia are looking forward to young Ed's graduation and are hoping that their daughter's British Army Officer husband may be assigned to the U.S. or Canada on his next change of station.

**ENDERTON** has one son at Harvard another at Reed College and a daughter at Cornell. Marian is still doing home teaching.

**STUBBS** reports that his daughter, Susan, drags him along on rides, (on a horse, in case you've forgotten that there are such things). I couldn't help wondering whether or not Guy is reminded of our, "Legs Back! Heels Down, Mr. Ducrot" days.

**HEYL** is President of the Loyal American Life Insurance Co. in Mobile. His letter had this interesting comment; "Two years ago I had a coronary occlusion which precipitated an early retirement from my job in Lincoln. Another slight bout with the same enemy actually forced me to level off and live in semi-retirement here in the deep South... I suppose it is quite normal as one gets older to place higher values on the associations of by-gone years. Certainly, I know that the Thirty-Fifth Reunion was one of the high spots of the last few years so far as I am concerned, and I very definitely hope that I will be physically able to make the Fortieth."

**GROMBACH** got back from a trip to Europe just about Christmas time. He is a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee. Judging from all the squabbles at Squaw(k) Valley this may not be the best of all jobs. "Frenchy" is still active in fencing and modern pentathlon affairs. He is now a "B.G." in the New York National Guard Reserve.

**FOWLER** tells us that the 1959 Reunion of the 10th Mountain Division, a trip to Chicago with a group of Explorer Scouts and community work kept him pretty busy. His daughter Marian, is in personnel work with the Navy here in Washington.

**GJELSTEEN** has one daughter, Mary Elizabeth, in First grade and another, Ruth Ann, teaching somewhere in Mississippi.

**McELDOWNEY** notes that his daughter, Madge, (Mrs. Geo. A. Whiting), lives in California and that his eldest son, Harry, is in Dallas. The younger son is with "Mac" still recuperating from an automobile accident of two-and-a-half years ago. "Mac" reports that he is getting fat. This is hard to imagine or believe!

**WHITE, J.H.** reported that he has



Timberman, C.G. at Arlington Hall, and Virginia with the Lee Shafers arranged the event. The Leones were week-end guests of the Timbermans.

moved his C.P. to 106 North Mall, Willow Lawn, Richmond, 30, Va.

**LORD** says he has now retired from business and settled in California. He complains that he has a hard time hanging on to his money in the face of "Dave" Dunne's good golf. He sees Lyle Rosenberg from time to time. He and Betty made a trip to the orient last year and plan one to Europe this season. R.B.'s address is; Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

#### CLASS DOINGS

Our annual business meeting went off with much more dignity and dispatch than was the practice in our "Kaydet" days. Jim Torrence, the Treasurer reported the good news that the Class Fund stood at \$1,457.37 I reported the main events of last year. The elections resulted in the following:

*Executive Chairman*, Washington Group  
"Ted" Osborne.  
*Secretary*, Washington Group  
John Salsman.  
*Treasurer*, Washington Group and Class  
"Jim" Torrence.  
"Ted" then appointed Damon Gunn, J.C. King, and Harry Roper to the Executive Committee.

#### MAKING WHOOPEE

Our first mixed Class Party of 1960 took place at Arlington Hall on 20 January. Like the one held there last year it was an outstanding success. The Timbermans and the Lee Shafers were the responsible committee and did a marvelous job. The atmosphere was just right, the food and drinks were outstanding and the music again just the kind to make us old goats kick up our heels in an acceptable fashion considering the limitations that Father Time has put upon our capabilities in that line. Believe it or Not!, there was Romance in the air! Read the next issue for details—I hope! those present at the party were; the E.F. Adams, Meta Beckley, the Enslows from Staunton, Va, the Frys, the Galushas, the Guevaras, the Gunns, the W.G. Johnsons, the Kehms, the Leones from Corn-

wall, N.Y., the Lueders, "Tommy" Maddocks from Charlottesville (Margueritte had a bad ankle and couldn't make the trip) the Mahoneys, Ray Milton, the Osbornes, the Ropers, "Dick" Russell from Wayne, Pa and a guest, the Salsmans, Thompson, E.B. and a guest, the Weikerts and Mildred (Mrs. C.W.) Stewart.

#### FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

The new team took over our Washington luncheons on 17 February. They will continue to be held at Fort Myer on the third Wednesday of each month through May as outlined in a bulletin to the Class last Fall. By the time this issue of **ASSEMBLY** reaches you we will have had the Joint luncheon with Navy '23. It takes place 16 March.

#### SAD NOTES

At our age it has become increasingly clear that there are many sadnesses in life. Even so, they are always a shock to us. The other side of the coin is that they so often show us much of what I can only describe as the majesty that is in many of us and this is always inspirational.

You will recall that in the Summer 1959 issue of **ASSEMBLY** I reported the great courage that "Stu" Beckley has demonstrated in the face of his illness with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, one of the very rare diseases. He is now unable to continue his work at McIpar but the same fighting spirit is there. Truly magnificent. His offer to be of help to others who may have the same trouble still stands.

Another sad incident was the passing of the McInerney's son, John A., who, with his twin brother, graduated from the Academy in June of '59. John was hospitalized with Hodgkins disease at Walter Reed for a long time. "Mac" and Rose devoted all their thought and energy to making sure that John's last days would be as full as possible. Their intense devotion made a deep impression on all who saw or heard of it. John was buried

at West Point. Pete Leone and Timberman were present.

## GRADUATION

According to our best information sons of the following will graduate this year; Gilmartin, McInerney, Post and Raymond. This is an off year as far as major reunions for us are concerned. Though no special plans are in the making it might be useful for any of you who are planning to go to let John Salsman or me know. You should also recall that "Pete" Leone is now living at Cornwall and in a moment of weakness told me that he would always be happy to hear from anyone coming up to USMA college. Since there will not be another ASSEMBLY before graduation, this is the the last advance notice we can make.

## A POEM

We now have, I hope, a healthy happy Class tree. So far as I know we have never had a Class Poem. So, when I heard John Stodter giving out with a lyric at the Arlington Hall party I got his permission (I want no copyright suit on my hands) to present it here for comment and inspiration to go and do likewise.

## TWENTY-THREE SKIDOO

(With apologies to Joyce Kilmer's "Trees")

I think that I shall never see,  
Another Class like Twenty-three.  
A Class that landed with a thump,  
Just behind World War One hump.

For fifteen years this kept us thin,  
On the outside, looking in.  
Our predecessors all grew stout  
On the inside, looking out.

And when the next war came along,  
We little knew of wine or song,  
But trained the troops, and led them too!  
Hence Twenty-three won World War Two!  
Now poems are made by fools like me,  
But God knows who made Twenty-three.

As the benediction most frequently seen in ASSEMBLY Class columns. I want to say; "May you all have a good Spring and may you not forget to send the poop to this column." Auf Wiedersehen!

—Harold D. Kehm,  
1421 N. Jefferson St.,  
Arlington 5, Va.

## 1924

The Class congratulates Jim Moore on his nomination for rank of four star general. We also congratulate Lucien Wells on his marriage to Lieutenant Colonel Harriet A. Dawley, ANC., Deputy Chief of Nurses, The Office of The Surgeon General. We wish them every happiness.

Margie Graling continues to make good progress after her accident and has expressed her thanks and appreciation to the Class for the flowers sent to her while she was in the hospital. Frank Graling, to whom we are all grateful for his efforts for the Class, is now the Executive Secretary and Treasurer of the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association. His correspondence is even more voluminous and in addition he publishes a very excellent monthly News

Letter and a semi-annual Shore and Beach Magazine.

Charlie Dasher will return to the US in early spring and be processed for retirement. We understand that Charlie will join the group living in and about Washington. We welcome you, Charlie. Vic Conrad entered Walter Reed Hospital the last of February to start his final physical examination. We have not been able to determine what he proposes to do after retirement. Vonna Burger will retire on 31 March. When last in Washington, Vonna told us that he intends to live in Rome, Italy.

Marie and Les Simon have leased a place in Travares, Florida until 1 May. Si has purchased a boat which he ties up to his own dock. All Bulls and Cows who happen to visit that area are invited for a boat ride.

Zero Wilson sends regards to all from Houston. Zero says if any of the Herd are in that vicinity he can be located by phone and the party will be the pleasure of the Wilson's.

Otto Nelson recently resigned as Chairman of the State Commission on Governmental Operations of the City of New York. He and Charlie Stevenson, The General, New York Army Guard and Vice Chief of Staff to the Governor, have been much in the news of late. From reports, Otto did an outstanding job as Chairman of the Commission and Charlie is a shining light in his field.

Elvin and Christina Seibert find life in Millbrook, N.Y. most enjoyable. Si is the Director of the Bennett College Overseas Service Program designed to prepare young career women for overseas assignments.

Frank Thompson is now at Walter Reed Hospital where he will undergo a very serious eye operation very shortly after the first of March. Also in Walter Reed is Betty Tracy. The doctors are trying to determine just what must be done in the way of treatment for her right knee. Betty is able to move about only with the aid of crutches or in a wheel chair. We saw Max at the Army-Navy Club and he appears to be hail and hearty. Their elder daughter has graduated from William and Mary and has won a Fullbright Scholarship.

Eric Earickson writes from Florida that he is under the observation of a local physician who seems very pleased with the progress Eric is making. In the meantime he goes about his many hobbies and is having a grand time. In his letter he mentioned Bill Kendall and the excellent job he is doing as President of the Siesta Key Association.

After the Reunion Bob and Madelaine Miller had a very wonderful motor trip throughout Europe and visited with their married daughter, who lives in Spain. Last October, after their return to El Paso, Madelaine flew to Houston to retrieve their Simca which had been shipped from Europe. On the return trip to El Paso in the Simca, she was in a very serious accident, having been hit by a large truck. Luckily Madelaine escaped with her life but she received several minor injuries and a broken neck which will force her to wear a collar brace for some months. Bob enjoys teaching, he says it keeps the brain active but affords enough leisure for all the other pleasures. From

his letter all the Herd in El Paso are enjoying life.

Bill Slater, writing from the Burke Foundation in White Plains, N.Y., says that he is making good progress and will be home soon. He sends his best regards to all the guys of the Thundering Herd.

Sam Smithers writes from Columbus, Ga. that he is feeling fine and "rarin to go" after his coronary of last November. Willie and Margaret Schaefer are in good health. Margaret was in the hospital at Fort Benning for a short time but has completely recovered. Willie has changed little and is quite active in social and community affairs. Dinty (D.M.) Moore is a top Real Estate Salesman in Columbus. Sam and Dinty are Directors of the National Bank of Fort Benning. Sam expected to see Andy Foster, the other Herdsman of Columbus, at the Founders Day Dinner.

Tom McCulloch is having more trouble with his heart when under pressure. He resigned from his position with the Highway Department of Indiana on 31 January and will continue to take things easy until the doctors at Walter Reed can come to some more exact evaluation of his condition.

John Archer Stewart reports that the West Coast contingent is reasonably well. Pat Stebbins, while out of the hospital and looking fine, will have a prolonged period of convalescence. George Elliott and Dick Stephens have had bouts with the dentist. Dick fared the worst having lost most of his teeth while George only lost a few molars. The Ray Coombs returning from one of their periodic eastern trips were to visit with the Harry Stadlers in Del Rio.

We have had no late news from the San Antonio Chapter from which we take hope that all there are well and happy.

Your scribe has received many nice notes for his efforts on the 35th. Reunion Booklet for which he is truly appreciative and wishes to thank you.

—Cleland C. Sibley  
506 Linden Lane  
Falls Church, Va.

## 1925

The Reunion Steering Committee's 30 January circular gave the then-current situation and plans for our 35th Reunion. As of this writing (March 1st) Don Dufford tells me that there is nothing to add except that Harry Crandall has been appointed Dean of Entertainment for the Reunion. (Don also suggested that I remind everyone that 1 April is the deadline for reservations for the ladies' accommodations; but 1 April will have passed by the time this issue of Assembly reaches you.)

Don Bailey sent in the accompanying photograph of 10 classmates, not quite as young as they were 35 years ago but nevertheless still in good trim. Don's letter came too late for last Fall's ASSEMBLY, and as an inadvertent consequence of Mike Esposito's departure on sabbatical leave, the picture was omitted from the Winter ASSEMBLY. The news is still interesting, however, so I quote herewith from Don's letter of 5 October:

"Here is a black and white print of a colored picture taken with my Leica at the Unreliable's gathering on Thurs-

day, 3 September 1959. Rinaldo Van Brunt (Deputy CG, Second Army) played host at Ft. Meade. You and Mike will probably recognize members of the group but in case you don't, they are from the right: Daddy Dunn, Don Mitchell (back from Europe), Ed Jones. Hoppie Hopkins, Rinaldo Van Brunt. Pearre Cabell, Colby Myers, Walt Bryte, Don Dunford and yours truly.

As you probably know, we meet the first Thursday each month. Pop Harrold played host at Fort McNair the first Thursday in August, Van Brunt in September and Cabell at Bolling AFB last Thursday for October. Next month (November 5th) we intend to gather for lunch at the Army Navy Town Club with the 25 or 30 members in this area of the Class of '25 USNA (includes Dave Hull, Vice President of Raytheon who is now located here at our Washington Office. He was '25 USNA.)

The enclosed picture just shows those who were at Rinaldo's Fort Meade luncheon. At other gatherings, additional classmates in the vicinity of Washington attend frequently. They are Earl Barnes (Diz), Godwin Ordway and Mike Geraghty. Gerry Galloway (just broke his leg in a fall on a boat he was inspecting) and Pop Harrold come as often as their demanding jobs permit and Joe Cleland was at Pearre Cabell's gathering at Bolling last Thursday.

Reverting to local news, the big story is the huge success of THE WEST POINT ATLAS OF AMERICAN WARS, of which Mike Esposito is Chief Editor. This two volume Atlas is a major achievement in the presentation of military history, and nothing like it has appeared before. It was published last November by Frederic A. Praeger, Inc., as a joint enterprise by Praeger and the History Book Club. The latter organization adopted it as their Christmas selection. Sales have been outstanding for a book of this character, and the cadets find it magnificent as a textbook. On March 13 (after these notes go to press but before this ASSEMBLY reaches you) the New York

Times will run a full-page advertisement of the History Book Club, offering the Atlas as an inducement to join the Club just as they have previously offered the 6-volume set of Churchill and other major works.

The Atlas is a *must* for readers of American military history. It includes 660 maps on 414 plates. Opposite each map is a full-page account of the operations, terse, clear, reliable, and professional.

In the name of the class, I hereby record our congratulations to Mike for a performance which has brought new distinction to the Military Academy, to the Class of 1925, to the Department of Military Art and Engineering, and to Vincent J. Esposito in person!

Best regards to all, and looking forward to seeing you at the Reunion.

—Nick Nicholas

## 1926

Congratulations to Harry Storke on receiving his third star. (See accompanying photo). By coincidence, Red Reeder was visiting at the time and ably assisted Gen. Magruder in pinning on the stars of our new Lieutenant General. Harry commands I Corps (Group) in Korea. Red was in Korea seeking material and atmosphere for a book he is planning to write about lieutenants (having completed the West Point series), and Harry played host. Red insists he got the treatment reserved for people two levels above the VIP category. Before all of the above happened Red got a letter from Harry with some news, quote: "The first meeting of the Uijongbu Chapter of the Association of Twenty-six was held here in my foxhole last Tuesday night. Helping to dignify the occasion were Bill Baker (G-4, CINC USARPAC, who ostensibly was here to give us more money for foxhole improvement) and Kick Off Kirchoff (Chief Advisor to the advance team of the future Korean Joint Construction Agency, located in Seoul). We had great fun, both liquid and literary, but, of course, we got nothing done. The latchstring is out in my foxhole. All mem-

bers of the Twenty-six are invited to stop in as they pass by."

Johnny Roosma is the new Commandant of Cadets at the Bordertown, New Jersey Military Institute. He is very happy with the new assignment which fits him like a glove. He and Marge plan to visit young Johnny and a few grandchildren in Europe this Summer. Ludy Toftoy has been honored by the American Ordnance Association. He was presented a gold medal for his pioneer work in modern rocketry and contributions to military-industry cooperation. Ludy retired on the 29th of February.

Vald Heiberg received a note from Freddy Munson (Hq. USEUCOM, Paris). To quote in part—"We will be here until next July or August and we will be delighted to act as guides for any stray classmates who might pass through. The day trip—Eifel Tower, Paris sewers, etc. is for free but there will be a slight charge for any tour commencing after 10PM."

Marvin Peck is enjoying life on the ole plantation in Sparta, Ga. However, he is planning to "retire" again and is disposing of his herd of Herefords and the farm equipment. His six grandchildren nearby keep life from being dull.

Reckon all you stock holders enjoyed as I did the cover picture on the Feb. 17 issue of "Investor's Reader" (Got my copy from Peck). Featured was our own Boone Cross, President of the Gillette Company, looking youthful as ever and very businesslike.

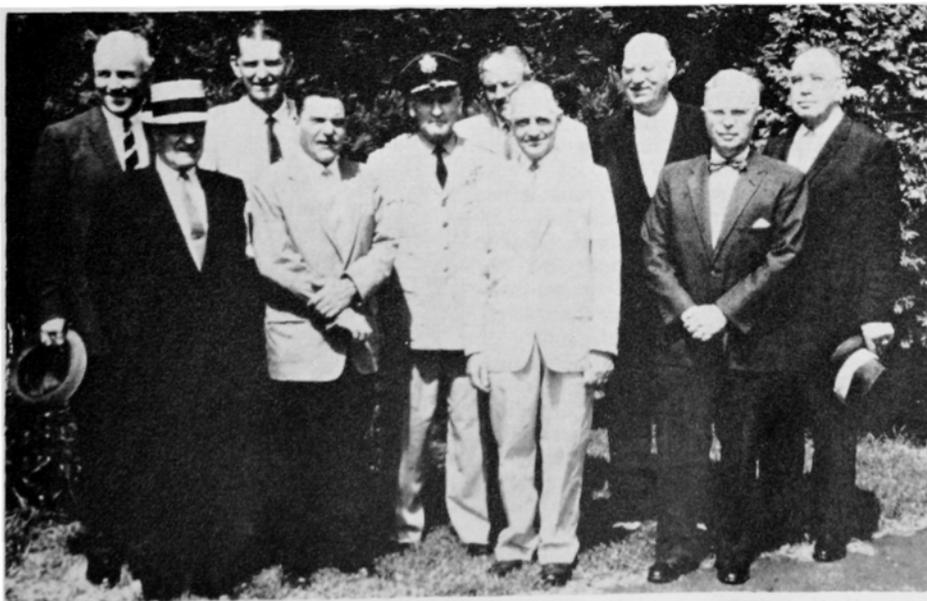
Egon Tausch has been appointed Executive Director of the Texas Council on Migrant Labor. His headquarters is in Austin and the work is concerned with 115,000 domestic agricultural workers. He and Frances live at "Still Waters", Route 1, Westmore, Texas. Daughter Clementine is married. Son Ricky is at Texas Military Institute and has his sites set on West Point.

The sad news has been received of the death of Sid Wheeler of a heart attack on 11 September 1959. His home was in East Ely, Nev. No other information has been received. Our sincere sympathy to his family.

Thanks to Hal Forde for calling attention to the fact that some of our deceased classmates have had no obituary published. Anyone who knew any of the following well enough to write an obituary please tell Vald Heiberg: Rhodes, Levin, Yeomans, Calhoun, George Smith, Parker, Willis, and Wheeler.

Many thanks to Spud Murphy for the fine job he did in accumulating news on the West Coast. Last Fall he wrote to eighteen classmates out there and received a wonderful response. Due to space limitations we have been forced to reduce some of the items, but the salient features are quoted below. The remainder of this column is contributed by Spud Murphy.

—Bill Hawthorne lives at 243 Angela Drive, Los Altos, Calif. and writes, "Louise, my two children, and I came directly from New York to Los Altos, Calif., where we bought a ranch-style home with a beautiful patio. My daughter, Helen, age 21, is in her senior year at Stanford majoring in psychology and doing very well. Son, Bill, Jr., age 19 having completed his freshman year also



Rinaldo Van Brunt and guests.

at Stanford is at present attending the University of Vienna in Austria for his sophomore year. He will return next Summer and then to Stanford where he will finish his junior and senior years preparing for law school. I tried teaching at San Jose but found it too hard on the blood pressure and had to give it up for a less active and more sedentary job with the Stanford Library."

"Red" Hamilton writes, "Our daughter Anne graduated from Stanford and married Lt. John W. Hudachek. They have two children and are stationed at Ft. Knox where John is a student. Our daughter, Pauline, graduated from Virginia and married Mr. James W. Burns also a graduate of Virginia. They are living at Monterey where Jim is an engineer with Firestone Laboratories. My wife, Eleanor, and I are living at 31 El Portal Greenbrae, San Rafael, Calif. I have been teaching mathematics at San Rafael Military Academy since '56. I attended Stanford this past Summer; however, most Summers are spent on the fishing streams of California and Oregon."

Brook Brady lives at 47 Miller Avenue, Sausalito, Calif., and sounds happy and sassy. "Permanent home owner here since retirement with all intentions of staying put. Would enjoy call from classmates passing through. Tel. No. Edgewater 2-3823. Activity, regular school teacher, Mission Senior High School, San Francisco, starting third year. Find work interesting and challenging, recommend it to classmates who wish to take full time job, and let no one infer to the contrary, it is FULL TIME. Wife, Marjorie, is a town councilwoman, her first venture in politics, ROUGH! Hobby is sailing—has it all over golf, at least I think so."

Ken McNaughton lives in Los Angeles not far from us. He writes, "I am presently with the Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corporation, 61111 East Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles 22, Calif., as Vice-President, Director West Coast Operations. Beth and I live at 1016 North Beverly Glen Boulevard, Los Angeles 24, Calif., with our son Grant, daughter Perry Ann, and Fujiko-san, an invaluable Tokyo acquisition. Beth is working hard on her portrait commissions. She has just finished General O. P. Weyland and General Earle Partridge for the Air Force Academy and is now working posthumously on ex-Assistant Secretary of Defense Quarles. Grant, unmarried, is a Junior in the U.C.L.A. Medical School. Perry Ann graduated from Scripps College, Pomona, California, in June and plans to be married in December to a budding young doctor of political science."

I met Avery Cray recently at the monthly West Point luncheon and he writes, "I am practicing law in Los Angeles, Calif., member of the firm of Meserve, Mumper & Hughes. The forefront of this year I concluded a tour as President of the Los Angeles Bar Association. We have two sons—Pete, a junior at Georgetown University (Foreign Service School) and Oliver, a freshman at the University of Oregon."

Alex Sewall started out in Phoenix, Ariz., but now lives in San Francisco. He writes "For the last Founders Day dinner the people on the other side of the bridge went to Paul Hamilton's and they were Brady, Brusher, Hamilton and

Nourse. At our place we had Forde, Hawthorne, Kaylor, Sewall and McDaniel, who was here on an inspection. We all then gathered at the PSF Club for dinner and had a great time. Last Spring my wife and I took a trip to Hawaii where we had several gatherings with Bill Baker, Jack Ryan, Merson Skinner, and Davidson. Also during the Summer I saw Bill Dean several times before he returned to San Antonio. As for family my daughter is married to a 1st Lieutenant of Artillery and is presently at Sill but goes to Benning the end of the month. They have a girl of two and a boy of about seven months, and they were with us on their return from Germany in late June."

Bill Mills lives in Walla Walla, Wash., at 1825 East Sumach and seems to like my old home state a lot. He writes, "I am manager of the Walla Walla City-County Airport which keeps me busy with many, though relatively small, problems. I'm still married to the same Rosie who is doing fine. Our younger daughter Mickie (Mary M.) was married last September 1st to a fellow Whitman College student, Bruce Hegstad."



Red Reeder helps Gen. Magruder (left) pin the third star on Harry Storke.

Both are seniors this Fall. Our older daughter, Rose Anne, is married to Capt. James B. Walker, C.E., U. S. Army, and they are stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va., after just returning from Germany. They have two boys and two girls."

Hal Forde is a student at Stanford and living at 1365 Lincoln Avenue, Palo Alto, Calif. He says, "I'm still married to Betsy Farthing of Cheyenne and Iron Mountain, Wyoming. We have one daughter, Ann, who will be seventeen in January, now a Senior in high school. She has decided the University of Wyoming, her Mother's Alma Mater, must have her as a member of the Class of '64. I'm still the student at Stanford (Betsy says it is my last year of loafing, and I'll have to go to work). Hope to get my Master's degree by the Spring, then start to hunt for that job."

Bob Nourse lives at 106 Bretano Way, Grienbrae, Calif., and says he is "PMST, Public Relations, Publicity, Teacher, etc., San Rafael Military Academy. 'Big' is fine and doesn't weigh any more than when you last saw her. Bob, 1st Lt., inf., USMA '55, is married and has two daughters. They are at Benning. Joan, 17, is a senior in high school and doing very well. She doesn't take after me in that respect."

Merson Skinner's address is 325 Damon

Building, Honolulu 13, Hawaii. He writes, "In recent weeks two associates and I have been perfecting all the many details of a 16 floor co-op apartment building which goes on the market tomorrow. Our eighteen year old son is at the University of Hawaii and our fourteen year old boy is at Williston Academy in Easthampton, Massachusetts. Our oldest daughter is married, has three children and is living in Manila, and our oldest son is married and living in Syracuse, N.Y. with his wife and son. Eddie Watson and I correspond every month or two. He is doing very well in real estate in Portland, Oregon. You might investigate the possibility of getting a transport trip here as Brook Brady did. Quite inexpensive and I know you'd enjoy it."

Paul Carroll and his charming wife Hazel, live at 2836 Sloat Road, Pebble Beach, Calif. He writes, "Since retirement I went to Spain and received my master's degree in Spanish. But so far I have not done any teaching as it is not easy to teach in this state without certain educational credits which I have no intention of working up. As for our children—our son is now engaged in the mortgage and insurance business in Dallas. He and his wife jointly have presented us with two grandchildren and we just returned from that city after spending two weeks there."

Mac McFarland writes from 518 Foster Avenue, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho—"I am teaching English and Spanish at North Idaho Junior College here in Coeur d'Alene. For the past three Summers I have been working for my M.A. degree at Gonzaga. The work is all completed now except for writing my thesis. My elder son, Tony, is now attending the University of Idaho and Jim has been attending Gonzaga in Spokane. Vald Heiberg sent me some clippings from the ivy that grows on the buildings at the Academy. We planted them around the administration building of the college. The ivy has taken hold very well and is now creeping past the second floor."

Dave Van Syckle was in Paris after retirement until late 1958. Dave writes—"Annie and I left Paris in November of 1958 and arrived in Los Angeles the following February. We came to visit and remained to boost. We moved into our remodelled home at 4412 West 60th Street, Los Angeles 43, AXminster 5-7631, on 1 November and I became a typical Californian, i.e., a combination handyman and gardener who sleeps in. My office in Azusa is only 35 miles away, which also seems to be par for the country. I am working with the developing foreign operations of Aerojet-General Corporation, travel a lot and am always bumping into former associates and fellow-graduates on planes, but so far no classmates."

As for the remaining classmates on the West Coast, I had a nice Christmas card from Hal Brusher who lives at 3901 Balfour Avenue, Oakland, Calif. I ran into Harry Grizzard recently at the local West Point luncheon—didn't know he lives in the Los Angeles area. He looked wonderful, full of pep, and cheerful as usual. They live at 1132 Cambridge Avenue, Claremont, Calif. Haven't heard anything from Roy Kaylor except what Alex Sewall mentioned above. He lives at 2469

Trenton Drive, San Bruno, Calif. Nelson Pringle lives on Balboa Island, Calif., P.O. Box 505. I didn't hear from Eddie Watson but Merson Skinner mentioned that he is in real estate in Portland, Oregon. His address is 234 S.W. Broadway.

As for ourselves, (this is still Spud Murphy speaking) we came to Los Angeles when I accepted a job here in February, 1957. I am with the National Academy of Sciences as Executive Secretary of their Committee on Prosthetics Research and Development. We bought a home in the Westwood section of Los Angeles within easy commuting distance of the office. Our son Jerry, Cornell '52, is a civil engineer and city and industrial planner. He has just accepted a position as Director of Engineering and Planning for Cleveland, Ohio. He and his wife, Shirley, have two sons, six and four years old. Our daughter Ann, Stephens '52, married Lieut. Richard S. Simmons and spent four years in the Navy. They now live in San Francisco.—

The Class owes Spud a special vote of thanks for the foregoing news. I hope that other classmates (like Bill House, for instance) will do a similar job for their particular area of activity.

—Roy Herte

1 Jean Court

Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y.

## 1927

The deepest sympathy of the class is extended to Larry and Sue Shaw and to daughter Janet Shaw Rohsenberger, and young son Carl J. Rohsenberger III, over the death at sea on 9 February 1960 of son-in-law and husband, Lieutenant (junior grade) Carl J. Rohsenberger, United States Navy, USNA '57. Lieutenant Rohsenberger, serving with the carrier *Franklin D. Roosevelt*, was accidentally catapulted with his jet plane into the sea.

Latest to join the filling ranks of the retired are the Asensios. Mone and Ruth, closing out of the Air Force Comptroller's spot and Bolling Field on 31 January. They are headed down Argentina way, where Mone is reported to be slated for the job of chief executive officer for Texas Butadiene and Chemical International, Ltd. We all can join in hoping that that South American job is always as interesting as it sounds, but that they get back frequently to the states for reunions.

Freddy and Janet Thorpe sent the columnist a welcome summary at Christmas. Janet reported that Fred spends all "free time" with his 19-foot boat, thoughtfully christened the *At Last*. She feels that there is some reason for considering "if he shouldn't have attended U. S. N. A." She included, in part: "Our son graduates in June from the University of Washington. He has been a D. M. S. for 1½ years, applied for a R. A. commission. Our two daughters in high school manage to keep things pretty lively around here." The Thorpes can be reached at Box 363, Route 1, Vashon, Wash.—apparently on an island.

Charles and Esther Hutchison, also Christmas reporting, are back Hawaiian way, of course, living on Palm Circle, Fort Shafter, "right next door to Betty and Trap" Trapnell. Hutch and Trap are

reported as conducting "refresher golf" and Esther "the hula."

Jerry and LUCILE Lillard, realizing how lucky they are to have a son-in-law stationed at nearby Fort Meade, are enjoying more frequent visits from daughter Jane and the two small granddaughters while husband and father, Captain Richard A. Miller, USMA '53, is with his company of the 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment at Fort Stewart, Georgia, for several weeks of field training.

Paul and Mary Berrigan's contribution to this column is the brief but tantalizing statement of proposed Summer pleasure: "We plan to take in the Olympics in Rome and tour the continent by car, God willing." A fine prospect!

Mary Kyster has bought a rambler for herself and her mother, Mrs. William M. Cruikshank, almost "in the center of the Chevy Chase golf course." The address is 4820 DeRussey Parkway, Chevy Chase 15, Maryland.

To start the New Year right in the Washington Area, the new class president, Woody Burgess, and Jean, invited classmates to an enjoyable gathering at their home in Falls Church. A good time was enthusiastically shared by all who could "make it."

Charley and Ev Bixel were joyfully playing proud grandparents recently when daughter Gay and husband Bart Bartell, Captain, U. S. A. F., and their young son, spent some time at the Bixel home in the District.

Bill Verbeck's observing eye appraised the comic strips in the Boston *Advertiser* for 27 December and sent on for noting Milton Caniff's *Steve Canyon* in which our own real-life Larry Kuter, well drawn and recognizable, and youthfully handsome, stirred up the strip plotting over the "white-hot, low-level BX-71." So Larry can be famous in his own right and at the same time rise and shine with Caniff as a cartooning Boswell.

To his and his friends' delight, Mac Miller is sufficiently recovered from his eye operation to permit his resumption of graduate studies in the Department of Education at the George Washington University.

Bob White, from Champaign, Ill., recently contributed a provocative and informing letter which resulted from his not inconsiderable study of statistics of the "Retired 120" in our class, based on the 1959 Register. Bob asks (and we can all join in the question) "Where are they and what are they doing?" Thirty of the retired members show no address.

Bob finds, of the ninety retired with addresses given, that California and Florida each have fourteen, Texas has ten, Virginia eight, New York five, and twenty-two other states one, two, or three classmates. "Anyone considering a vacation could do quite well—a couple of months or so in Florida, a stop-over or two in the Gulf States, a few weeks in Texas, another stop-over or two in the Southwest, and end up with a prolonged rest in California, or vice versa"—thus Bob comments on the social possibilities of the "where-living" study.

However, Bob was less happy with the research to determine "What are they doing?" Here there appeared more reticence. Fifty-eight per cent "admit employment": nine are indicated as teaching

(easiest to categorize); eight were "lumped together as executives, administrators, and managers"; eight more are "consultants and analysts"; four engineers; two "individualists, a farmer and a librarian (Bob himself)." The total thus accounted for is thirty-one, leaving some sixty-two "boning red comforter," apparently, as Bob states, but more likely just not identified with their work.

Bob's study points up the undoubted fact that all of us should make a special effort to make complete the data for the 1960 Register, and thereafter. We all want to know what we can of each other, and whether one is loafing or looting is essential information. Also, it must be sadly commented, there is every indication that a big percentage of the class is not seeing ASSEMBLY, at least not regularly, strange as that statement may seem to many devoted readers. That condition should be corrected, for with broader coverage the quality of reporting could be immeasurably improved, of course. Need continues to exist—understatement of the week!—for more news items—short and snappy, but personal—from everyone in the class. Pl-e-a-s-e come forth with comment or commentary on pleasures or gripes so that this quarterly review can have the substance it should contain. Then we can truly share Charles Dickens's optimism: "What is the odds, so long as the wing of friendship never moults a feather."

—Brig. Gen. Gerald F. Lillard, USA, Rtd.,  
4543 N. 40th St.,  
Arlington 7, Va.

## 1928

Received the following letter, dated 30 November, from SAM Myers too late for inclusion in the Winter issue:

"Last Saturday Frances and I went up to Philadelphia to see a football game in which the Army team was not quite up to standard. But since you are well familiar with that, I will get on to the real purpose of my letter and tell you that while there I saw a few classmates whom I haven't seen in a long, long time. Strange to say there were very few of the class present, and even stranger was the fact that nearly all present are retired.

In front of me with his family was W. D. Smith (Dick). We had a short chat, somewhat in supplement to one we had a few days earlier at the Washington luncheon. Behind me sat Arthur Thomas, retired, of Plainfield, N.J. I had not seen him since graduation, so we had quite a bit of catching up to do and did so while mutually sharing each other's anti-freeze. We both left the stadium in a jovial mood.

Off to my left sat good old Norm Webb of Baltimore and, as you know, retired. He has always been at every Navy game I have seen, and presume he goes to all of them. He and his companion were the only ones in the lot who came adequately prepared for the rain, which we enjoyed while waiting for the Corps to come in. He had a good old Army poncho which, for my money, is still the best rain protection we have ever had. We had a good

talk and compared notes on families, all of whom are doing well.

Immediately to his front sat Dick Ludlow. Conversation with him revealed the fact we are practically neighbors in Alexandria. He is on duty with the Air Force. We mutually promised to get together soon.

To my right front sat Ed Keller, long retired, of Perkasio, Pa. I had not seen him since graduation. On my immediate left and next door neighbor was Bob Butler and his charming wife, together with Mrs. Brenner Purdue of '25. I had never met Mrs. Purdue but since she sat next to me we struck up quite an acquaintance. She is a real nice gal. On her behalf, please pass the word to the representative of '25 about her presence. Bob Butler is now retired, living in Greenwich, Conn., but I never did find out what he is doing.

Paul Johnson, now commanding Fort Knox, was at the game but he got his request for tickets in too late so sat way up above us, with what class I don't know. We had only a second to say "Howdy" to him. We thought we saw Evan Houseman running up and down the aisle but never got a chance to intercept him to be sure, so it may or may not have been. There may have been others there but those are all I saw."

Congratulations to STEVE Raynolds on two counts: first on his marriage to Mrs. Janet Stevens and secondly his admission to the firm of Hemphill, Noyes & Company as a General Partner.

TOM Counihan reported on the classmates who attended the Combat Arms Conference that Verdi Barnes was host to last December. The following were present:

Gen. Frank F. Everest (USAF)  
CG. Tactical Air Command  
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

Maj. Gen. W. Paul Johnson  
Commandant, U. S. Army Armor School  
Fort Knox, Kentucky

Maj. Gen. Lionel C. McGarr  
Commandant, Command and General  
Staff College  
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas



From father to son, Buster Briggs to James, Jr.

Maj. Gen. Andrew T. McNamara  
The Quartermaster General  
Washington, D. C.

Maj. Gen. Ralph T. Nelson  
Chief Signal Officer  
Washington, D. C.

Maj. Gen. Verdi B. Barnes  
Commanding General, U. S. Army Artillery and Missile Center  
Fort Sill, Oklahoma

Col. Thomas J. Counihan  
U. S. Army, Retired

BUSTER Briggs finally caught up with his son SPIKE long enough to present the class gift to him. Young Briggs is married to Ellen, daughter of SAM Anderson and has a daughter, Elizabeth A. Briggs, born Sept. 4, 1956.

Saw TOMMY and Buelah Rich during the Holidays at their home in Marietta, Pa., TOMMY keeping busy as usual with his insurance business.

Accompanied JACK Hinrichs on a visit to Red River Arsenal, Texarkana, Texas, and then to Redstone Arsenal, Ala. At Redstone saw CHUCK Born and ANDY McNamara who were there for General Medaris' retirement.

The Class Gift boxes have been ordered for the four class sons. Lane, McNamara, Reber and Wiley, in the Class of 1960. Presentation will be made in the vicinity of Class Tree immediately after the Alumni Review during June Week.

The following information was received from ED Reber:

"On Saturday evening February 27, Johnny Morrow, John Farra, Bill Caldwell, Jim Green and their wives assembled at Betty and Ed Reber's house for a class get-together. The Web Andersons were sojourning in Florida and were unable to be present.

Bill Caldwell is studying at Temple University in preparation for teaching at a junior college in Orlando, Florida. Johnny Morrow is teaching at the Mont Alto section of Pennsylvania State University. He and Jean reside in Chambersburg.

I called on Ed Keller in Perkasio, Pa., recently. He and his brother are in the insurance business there."

—John D. Billingsley  
West Point, N. Y.

## 1929

Kai Rasmussen and Paul Caraway are moving along on the 30 Year book. Some 40 of you brethren who have not returned your questionnaires (I returned mine a couple of weeks ago!) are urged to do so. Kai's address is—Spec. Operations Research Off., The American University, 4501 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington 16, D.C., in case you have lost the paper.

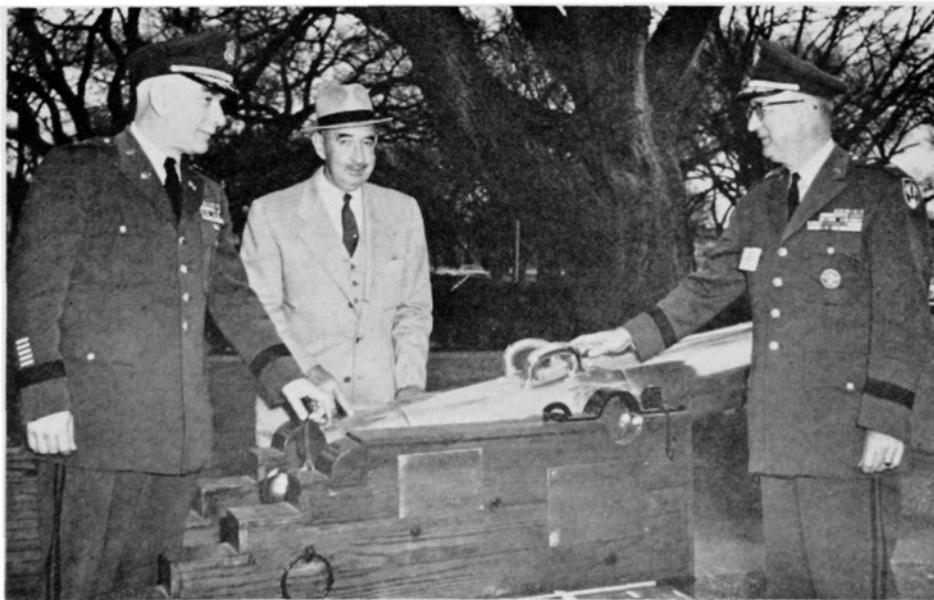
During Christmas we saw a bit of Jim and Doris Hannigan who were here to see their plebe son. Jim is functioning happily as Dean of Students at Texas A&M and engages in such activities as calling the Professor of Social Sciences at West Point to find out whether USMA type graduate students at A&M have had enough U.S. Government and History to satisfy the qualms of Texas on these matters. Versatile people, the Class of '29.

Handy Hubard has been about to see his First Class son who is probably the country's best amateur pistol shot. Handy deals in the more difficult insurance business of handling construction and such type risks.

Dutch Kraus from his Monterey garden reports that Betty is an unsympathetic boss of his gardening, that Gus and Irma Jane Brown and the Robbins recently gathered for dinner, and that the Vineys are moving into a house in Carmel. The Robbins, by the way, have a youngster in the plebe class and one in the first class.

George Reilly reports that Jupe Lindsey married off his charming daughter Anne in a February snowstorm, that Ed McNally and Nelly Lynde have moved into the Washington area and the Daddy Sykes have also reported there. Ken Nichols, says George, has bought a "mansion". There is a report that Bill Hall has just replaced Whitside Miller as father of the youngest class child.

Pearl Robey reports his address as 7205 Leonardo de Vinci, Tucson, Ariz. Charlie Allan from 1515 Garfield Street, Boise, Idaho, reports a circuit of the U.S. during which he scored a maximum number of misses of classmates. He does report Eddie Mays working on an orange grove in Riverview, Florida for 10¢ an hour when he is not piloting a power cruiser on the waters of Tampa Bay. George and Dot Lynch seen in Columbus, Ga., were reported to be their usual charming selves in spite of the fact that George was "on a diet that a goat



At Combat Arms Conference, left to right: Ralph Nelson, Tom Counihan, Verdi Barnes.

wouldn't eat". Charlie is selling investment securities which he finds fun but not lucrative.

Tom Griffin, gone to command the XVI Corps in Omaha, and Bill Hamlin have been made major generals. A note from Jupe Lindsey says that in addition to a mutual investment job he is now Executive Vice President of the Army Distaff Foundation, Inc., which is building a 300 unit residence in Washington for the widows of retired Army officers.

Your reporter visited Wright-Patterson field to talk to the Air Institute Business School and profited from a pleasant evening with the McKees and rode back home in one of Bozo's newer personnel carriers. Bozo is conducting the business of the Air Force Materiel Command with his usual precision and aplomb. He and Gertrude have 2 boys at Andover, one of whom is graduating this year to enter Harvard.

West Point had a pleasant visit in February from the new Deputy Inspector General of the Army, David Buchanan, who apparently had been felicitated by many as being the right man to know all about the tricks and cut corners of the job.

The Washington contingent seems to be socially active with about 47 names on the mailing list and a dinner-dance scheduled at the Army-Navy Country Club for 14 May.

Many thanks to those who contributed notes and a continuing plea to write me about what you are doing and whom you see.

—Abe Lincoln

Dept. of Social Sciences  
West Point, N.Y.

## 1930

Dear Gang:

For a variety of reasons it has been difficult for me to get fully back into the swing of playing "scribe for the tribe". Please deal gently with this, my first effort in nearly three years; I shall hope to do better in future issues.

Of greatest interest to most of you, I suppose, is the matter of the upcoming 30th Reunion. Response to the first two questionnaires has been pretty fair. Understandably, many people found it impossible to be definite about their plans so far ahead; even so, it appears that we will muster 75 or more souls for all or part of the festivities, not a bad representation out of fewer than 200 still living. It would be fine if we could get 50 percent or better, if only for part of the time.

My fingers are still crossed on the dormitory reservations for wives. We asked, some months ago, that 50 spaces be reserved and I already have applications for nearly that number. (The Class of 1915, for obvious reasons, is planning a real blowout and will, of course, receive first consideration for all accommodations.) As soon as possible I will let each applicant know definitely what he can expect. By the time this is published our Reunion Committee will have met to discuss this and other aspects of the program and hope to have the groundwork well laid.

The number of retirements, recent and imminent, makes a list almost too long to  
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try to print. I note a baker's dozen that have come to my attention in the last few months: Hall Stokes, who left us at the end of Plebe year, went to VMI, and ended up as a colonel in the Air Force, was retired at the end of October; Johnny Greco and Jerry Pospisil laid down their swords at the turn of the year; Cookie Cook and Eph Hampton left the active ranks on 31 January; Bart Bartlett and Ace Goodwin turned in their suits at the end of March; and George Duehring, having turned over the Class affairs to me, apparently decided that he had nothing further to live for in uniform and retired on 30 April. In June, of course, there will be numerous others. I have already heard of positive retirement plans at that time for Ed Berry, Carl Clifford, Dick O'Keefe, Bob Ports and Fuddy Wing. Well, this is the big year for it. Incidentally, I note with interest the number who either have already embraced the teaching profession or plan to do so: Clifford, Eastburn, Edgar, Ports and Royall, to name just a few. This is a good thing, considering the parlous state of education in this country.

Some long time ago a character named Greeley advised young men to "go West" To judge by the number of our contemporaries who are drifting in that direction one might conclude that we are feeling pretty youthful. The Pacific Coast contingent seems to grow year by year. A recent letter from Bob Ports, our "star reporter" from Sixth Army, lists some fifteen of our gang who are within drinking distance of one another in and around the greater San Francisco area alone. In that connection, and thinking again in terms of the number who will retire this year, I propose to put out this Summer a sort of "final" list of addresses that will (I hope!) reflect the correct location of all hands at that time. *Please keep me on your list of people to be advised by a Change-of-Address card when you move; I'm not clairvoyant.* My own permanent headquarters is at 2 Quincy Street, Chevy Chase 15, Maryland.

Regards to all. See you in June.

—Sandy Stone

## 1931

The Pentagon has become silent; the organization has become disorganized; the SOP is standing but not operating. Normally the Washington group (s)elects a correspondent who has his finger on the pulse of the nation and the peregrinations of the Class. It is now too late to get a Report from Washington, but I'll ask Passarella to get his office (TIG) working on it.

As Gimbel says to Macy, "Nobody, but Nobody" ever gets to the basement of Cullum Hall so I have to read the Report to find out what's going on. Fairly recent correspondence indicates the following:

Charlie Raymond, with Nita and the boys, expects to return from Nicaragua this summer. He reports that Jim and Lil Maloney have extended in Honduras until next year. Had any good revolutions lately?

Tom Mamane, AG CONARC, says Johnny Waters has just left and that Hugh Harris is to be the new C/S CONARC. I suppose Hugh will move into one of the big houses on the waterfront. The last

time we lived at Monroe we had a three bedroom converted barracks in which the snow drifted through the cracks. We had 5½ kids, complete with runny noses and colds. It was so uncomfortable that Marion had to wear her fur coat to bed, and that was the last fur coat we could afford.

Charlie Densford is farming in Pipe Creek, Texas. At the Founders Day dinner at Fort Bliss I saw Ash Haynes, Dutch Spangler, and Sam Smellow. Sam was down from Rock Island, just finishing one of the short courses. Bill Taylor is at Bliss but didn't show for the dinner.

Tom and Ruth Stayton are enjoying Brussels. Doing lots of traveling. The Pat Hunters will be up for Easter. Their older boy (Class of '54) recently saw the light and was retreaded from AF to Artillery. He is about to be married. Their younger son made them grandparents last Fall. Pat enjoys her work in the Pentagon but the pace is too fast for Patsy. He reached his fiftieth birthday, had a coronary, and became a grandfather in that order in about a year.

Class sons expecting to graduate in June are: Berry (Infantry), Boyd (Infantry), Chandler (Armor), Herman (Artillery), Wilson (Armor).

ASSEMBLY is the Voice of the Association of Graduates, which is a charitable organization for historical and educational purposes. Come on, you guys, be charitable! Let's have some history for the education of the masses.

—Curly Wilson

## 1932

Although this column is generally confined to pure news items I thought a brief word picture of some of our classmates by an unobtrusive bystander in the McNair room of the Officers Club at the Fort McNair Club might be newsy and interesting. An early arrival, your observer noted two figures bent over a table, interchanging papers. Totally absorbed in this process it took several throat clearings before they were sufficiently distracted to note an arrival. Alerted, both referred to a large ledger, looked up and cried in unison "Hi, Bill—you owe ten bucks." They were impartial, however. Everyone received the same relative treatment on arrival. One would presume that "Bill" Culp and "Ed" Howarth were professional bill collectors. The sad part of the picture is that their accounts are correct. Then, after twenty or thirty minutes of informal chit-chat among the arrivals, all recessed to the table ably presided over by "Pop" Duncan with a dignity indigenous to him. This dignity prevailed throughout the gathering with the exception of Frank Besson. When Frank ran out of six cent cigars he pulled out his trusty corn cob and puffed happily away. Handsome "Danny" Campbell (still handsome though bald) told a most interesting story about his place forty miles west of Washington where he, his daughters and his neighbors practice the Hunt-hounds and all. Calm and dignified "Bob" Terrill has lost his Massachusetts accent but has grown in both physical and non-physical stature. Rush Lincoln still bemoans the catastrophe of last Fall. He doesn't mind being beaten but . . . Suave and diplomatic "Luke" Morris still has the million dollar smile with the accompanying chuckle which might indicate most anything. Brother

Hall showed up with what he terms a "crew cut". The tonsorial decor resembles a shoe blackened Yul Brynner. Yet one must confess that it doesn't detract from his appearance. One only wonders what he would be like if he let it grow. Everyone seemed to admire Roscoe Huggins' mustache. It's a bold one and "Bill" Menoher appeared to eye it with a somewhat envious regard. There were others there but memory and space limits further observation. Recommendation: Don't fail to attend these luncheons. They're worth the money!

Now, for the news briefs. . . . Dues payments generally are accompanied by tid bits, some of which must be reported. From Harvey Fischer: "I think October is a lousy month to pay our dues but my problem stems from the fact that I can't think of a better month". From "Johnny" Bowen: "After a series of subtle meat-axe between-the-eyes approaches for payment of yearly class dues, I can't hold out any longer". From "Chuck" Murray: "Sorry to find out that I am in arrears as usual—am sending a check for \$10.00 to keep up to 1961. Hope it will not upset your books". The spirit is there! And another kudo to "Ed" Howarth.

A long and interesting letter from Isabel Herman brought sad news about "Charley" who suffered a stroke in March 1958 while at Fort Lee, Va. Yet, her letter evidences a courage and spirit mutually supplied by both herself and "Charley" that is inspiring. Although he can speak little and can neither read nor write, "Charley" enjoys car rides and uses back seat driving technique. He is working on his stamp collection and supervises Isabel's gardening. Their daughter, Cynthia, a junior at William and Mary and a sixteen year old Irish setter, "Red", complete the family group. Both "Charley" and Isabel offer a hearty welcome to their lovely home at 5348 North 61st Drive, Glendale, Arizona. Would those of you who pass through Phoenix take an eight mile detour to Glendale and pay Class respects?

Already reported in the Class bulletin, the death of "Patty" Bower last January was discussed at some length by "Steve" Braude in a letter to "Tuffy" Horner. It was not unexpected as "Rolly" explained there were two serious episodes. They had entertained at their quarters only a week before when both appeared to be in good health and spirits. May this column again express the Class regrets and best wishes to "Rolly". "Steve" also congratulates "Tuffy" on the bang up job his son did in the Blue and Gray game, but "Pop" Duncan released the "scoop" when he gave me a newspaper clipping stating that Sam was the number two draftee of the Washington Redskins. It announced that Sam runs the 100 yard dash in 9.6 seconds and is tops in swimming and golf. Congratulations "Tuffy". What a father!

A newsy letter from "Honey" Whalen operating as M/A Tokyo and my self-appointed representative in Japan gives the following releases: "Ed" Farnsworth C/S MAAG is ably supported by voluble and rotund "Ace" Brookhart. He has had visits from "Charley" Piddock, Harry Porter and "El" Davis. "Tom" and Ermine Hannah visited him between plane hops en route to Taiwan. Both were in good spirits but "Tom" said he had hoped he could go some place where they didn't

eat with their hands or with chopsticks. At an attaché conference in Okinawa he met Hugh Carey the M/A in Australia. As for Betty and himself, "Honey" admits they meet themselves coming. Thanks for the news and please keep it up.

"Jim" Godwin, our West Point professor classmate, was surprised at meeting "Wally" and Ann Brucker at a basketball game last December. Ann had one foot in a cast and was hobbling on crutches. "Jim" gave me the following listings of '32 sons at the Academy, Class of 1960: Richard Daniel, Gerald Epley, James Godwin, Richard Seaward and John Steele. . . . Class of 1963: Willis Brucker, Francis Hall, Dale Means, John Roth and Edmund Rowan. Thanks for the news "Jim" and we hope to see you one of these days.

"Stan" Wray, C.G., Wright Air Development Center lists the following '32s are located there: Huglin, Dahl, Hardy, McCawley and Dreyer. He met "Click" Reese and "Jim" McCormack at a board meeting in Orlando, Florida. "Jim" had been assigned to a nearby Motor Court together with some other VIPs. Due to overcrowded conditions, many of them were assigned to, or as, roommates. "Jim" arriving late was assigned to and it turned out to be a "she". Gentlemanly "Jim" retired without confusion.

"Torg" Wold living in Redlands, California says he takes long traveling tours as Director of Procurement Inspection. While inspecting in Seattle, he saw the Hoehls and Hillbergs. Both "F.R." and "Lauri" are top-level engineers in the Boeing system there. He understands that "Bill" Call is a "big operator" for Pacific Car and Foundry but hadn't sufficient time to look him up.

It was a pleasant surprise to get information from Jan Nadal who is Base Engineer at Zaragoza Air Base in Spain. Next year, having completed 25 years civil service he expects to return to Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico. He invites all classmates to either place: "mucho vino" at Zaragoza and I presume "mucho rumo" at Puerto Rico.

"El" Davis sent a long letter from Honolulu some of which I will have to cut for lack of space. He reminds us that there are in addition to himself, "Ash" Manhart, "Charlie" Piddock, "Gil" Adams and Harry Porter on Oahu. During a visit, he had with "Duke" and Pat Ondrick on Okinawa where "Duke" is Civil Administrator of the Ryuku Islands. He missed D. B. Johnson, Arty. C.G., 1st Cav. Division in Korea, but had a bob-tailed visit with George Mather who was maneuvering with the 7th Division as Asst. C.G. In Seoul, he saw "Dave" Schorr, Provost Marshall and "Johnny" Pugh, G-3, Eighth Army. He had steak dinner at the Farnsworths in Tokyo together with Betty and "Honey" Whalen. "Eddie" was relaxing from a whirlwind passage of Secretary and Mrs. Brucker. An added P.S. said "Lou" Truman spent a few days on leave in Waikiki. Seems to us "El" that you must be something of a whirlwind yourself. Thanks for the letter.

Received congratulations from "Ken" Zitzman on this assignment together with complimentary remarks viz capabilities. He added a few hopeful suggestions to aid in the processing of material. The

Zitzman menage is 46 Boulevard Suchet, Paris 16e and is open for visits.

Many thanks for the letters—until next issue,

—Bill Davidson  
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Fairfax, Va.

## 1933

The first Washington Class luncheon in '60 was held at Arlington Hall with 22 aboard, and it was decided to have a similar get-together the fourth Wednesday of each month; so we ate again 24 February—the martinis were 3.0.

We regret to report two tragedies in the Class—O'Connor's wife, Maureen, died suddenly last summer. Tom's four daughters are now taking good care of him. Tom Evans' son, Marty, a Junior at Princeton studying chemical engineering, recently died as a result of being struck by a car.

Shepardson joined the retired ranks last September and has been spending time since travelling, but will soon settle in Tucson; mailing address: Box 628. Walters reports from Hawaii that he and eight other '33ers—Bernard, Whelan, Hoebeke, Hain, Mundell, Tom Evans, Frenzel, and Clyde Jones—are there with frequent visitors, such as Pritchard and Calhoun. Paul's son, Jimmie, graduated in '59 from USMA and is stationed at Meade; another son, Robert, is preparing for West Point at Sullivan's; his boy and girl twins are enjoying Hawaii with Paul and Betty. Bernard and his wife, Jay, will return this summer and have a much anticipated visit with their first grandchild. Rothwell has the USAR Hq. at inactive Camp Kilmer, the first post his six year old daughter, Terry, has seen. She and her parents returned last October to Kilmer from Teheran via Beirut, Cairo, Athens, Vencie, Naples and New York. Elder's son graduates from USMA this June; number two son hopes to enter the following month. Frank is still with the ROTC at Texas A & M. Haskin has retired and resides at Breezeway Farm, RD #1, Middletown, Pa. His son, Edward, USMA '59, is with the ATLAS wing at Warren AFB; son Ralph is in school in Fla.; daughter Lauren is at home with Mil and Sally. Mil has seen Leydecker at Annville, Pa. Anyone likes to have a "friend in court" and so I was mighty glad to get this note from DC Engineer Commissioner Al Welling: ". . . If you have any suggestion—or complaints—about traffic, water, sewage, trash, veterans administration, public buildings, auto or driver licenses, parking, surveys, construction permits, transit, or planning, please write—my assistants.

"And vote for me as mayor. . . ."

Rudolph has moved about five miles to 703 Glenwood Ave., DePere, Wisc.; among other things Jack is a full-fledged, card-carrying music critic of his paper, the Green Bay Press-Gazette. He also claims the distinction of being the Packers' first water boy. Messersmith, in St. Louis, recently saw Tripp, Dick Meyer, and Lane. Hoy Davis sent Rosamond and their girls on a tour of Europe, a part of which he joined. Their eldest, Betty, has returned to the States to study and work. The Gallaghers and the Ryans spent a week together at Garmisch. Bob is presently Gabe Dissoway's Logis-

tics Planner. Betty and Randy are with Bob and enjoying their stay at Ramstein, Germany. Fuller will extend his tour with the NCNG to the Fall of '61; Bill likes Raleigh, being near Bragg, and he and Bebe can work on their 25 acre place in Virginia—not far from Cy Dolph's hideaway. He saw Stilwell not long ago, who had his leg in a cast—which Joe claimed was the result of a fall from a chair; he reports Billy Harris is running the Founders Day dinner at Bragg. Talbot has one son awaiting a RA appointment at Knox, another at Belvoir trying for an Army or AF appointment. Thorlin writes: "Hurly (our Gun man) and I (our Training Chief) finally got one of the lucky stars." Gibbs is now J-6 (Electronics and Communications) at Colorado Springs. Son David, USMA '57, co-pilot of a B-47, welcomes his Dad's "integration." Pittman writes that one of his two daughters, Mary, married F. D. Anderson, USMA '59, and his other daughter, Clair, is engaged to E. J. Handler, USMA '60. Hunt is Deputy JA, 5th Army, where Versace is with G-1 and Powell is in the IG sect. Jensen is Assistant Com. of the Armor School; his only classmate at Knox is Miller, QM of the Center. Ehlen is looking forward to his second tour in Hawaii; Ed received a briefing on his new job from Kingfish Kelley; his transportation arrangements were made with Bobby Tripp. Baumer has been asked to run for mayor of Westfield (N. Y.); Bill has co-authored a book just published—"Politics Is Your Business;" he's in his tenth year with Johnson and Johnson. Gibb recently took command of the 2nd Infantry Division, Conway moves to the 82nd Airborne; Darnell has the 1st Cav. Division Artillery. The Lanes recently visited Panama and stopped by Bing Downing's for a drink. Eyler got a CPA title last year after finishing at Rutgers with a Major in accounting. His older boy is a 2nd Classman at USMA, and his other son is a 200 pound tackle with NYMA, with aspirations for the Point. Chappy Chapman says he hears citizens of Colorado Springs are petitioning the DA to get Pop Ridsen to stay longer instead of transferring to the Pentagon. Ryan was away so Marjorie wrote some news; they like Furth, Germany; daughter, Jean, is a junior in College; son Billy, a senior in the local high school. She and Louise Bastion have made trips together to Switzerland, Berlin, and Prague. Crawford, Marjorie was glad to say, has been discharged from Walter Reed; they have taken an apartment at 3625 Prospect Ave., N.W. Joe will have to go back for treatments for about six months. A letter from Rayburn tells of the tour he and Margaret and their Rosalie and Bobby made through England, Scotland, and Ireland.

'33 sons in service academies (in the last report one AF Academy son was erroneously shown graduated; since the last report two '33 sons have left West Point) are: Air Force, three ('60 Bishop—Harry's son; '62—Cabel and Summerfelt); West Point, 25 ('60: Breit, Chapman—George's son, Elder, Gates, Hagen, Chapman—Gerry's son, Lincoln, Remus, Stilwell, Totten, Tripp; '61: Cairns, Downing—Eb's son, Eyler, Evans—Bus' son, Henderson, Solomon, White; '62: Broshous, Evans—Bus' son (again), Calhoun, Carroll, Starbird; '63: Fletler, Pritchard);

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Annapolis has De Gavre in '61 and Due and Tubbs in '63.

Fleckenstein is assistant manager of the Waikiki Biltmore; Wally occasionally sees Hap Tubbs, also retired in Hawaii. Stephenson says he and Berry like Europe but prefer Arizona; he has seen Dick Meyer and Mo Edwards. Gray and Ben Harris have been ordered to the Pentagon. Sourdough Tom Beck has the Yukom Command. Jackson has joined the Joy Manufacturing Company with his office in DC. He is general chairman of the 1960 Missile/Space Conference.

As of 20 February, 15 members of '33 were Major Generals (Disosway, Dolph, Donnelly, Evans, R. T., Gibb, Harrell, Johnson, Maddux, Meyer, R. D., Montgomery, Moorman, Pottenger, Quinn, Senter, and Truesdell) and 65 were BGs (Bastion, Beck, Blanchard, Blandford, Boswell, Breit, Carver, Chapman, E. A., Chase, Coleman, Conway, Crawford, Dahlen, Darnell, DeGavre, Doleman, Dunn, Edwards, Ehlen, Ely, Essman, Evans, T. B., Fuqua, Gee, Gibbs, Giffin, Gray, Grubbs, Harris, B. T., Harris, W. A., Hartel, Henley, Henry, F. S., Hetherington, Hill, Honeycutt, Huntsberry, Hurlbut, Jensen, Kelley, King, R. T., Lane, Lincoln, McMorrow, Mack, Meyer, R. J., Polk, Powers, Reynolds, Ridsen, Ryan, Shinkle, Sibley, Solomon, Sparrow, Starbird, Stilwell, Summerfelt, Thorlin, Tripp, Vidal, Welling, Whipple, White, G. W., and Zierath). Congratulations, I'll bet Nellie is pleased.

Guiney says that in spite of some liberalizations that make Cadet life a bit different now that it was 30 years ago, e.g. in the Spring First Classmen may have and drive cars; femmes can eat in the mess hall during summer camp; First Classmen may leave the post frequently; smoking is OK almost any place; it is still a tough grind.

C'est tout.

—Harry King

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## 1934

The Gloom Period in the Pentagon was broken nicely on 18 February by a variation on the monthly Class of '34 Luncheon. As organized by Charles Revie, wives were included in a festive noontday party at Fort Myer. Unfortunately it was too dark in the bar to provide a picture of the group for our column, so those in attendance will be listed. Charlie and Carrie Revie, Jack and Patty White, Kermit and Ruth Davis, Doc and Betty Johnston, Tom and Lydia McCrary, Johnny and Sue Smoller, Bill and Peggy Craig, Ron and Sandy Martin, Hec and Terry Davall, Bob and Pauline Miller, UP and Jeanne Williams, Bob and Flo Baker. A few "bachelors" were present because their wives were elsewhere, ailing, or not yet selected. These included Bill Tank our honored guest (down from his new command at the Brooklyn Port), Fred Cook recently arrived from Iran (family still in Texas), Bob Tyson, Tom Hayes, Kasper Beasley, and Lee Miller. Deserving of special merit is Kitty Heyne who came alone, as Dan was on a West coast trip. In addition it was pleasant to have John L. Schaefer (a Beast Barracks ex-'34) and his wife present.

The success of the luncheon augurs well for an evening party, now in the

planning stages, to take place next spring.

The time lag between preparation of these notes and the publication thereof frequently causes some staleness in our releases. However good news is worth repeating. Perry Griffith has gotten his second star, and in the Army we find one new star apiece for Charlie White, Bill Craig, Jim Winn, Bob Kyser and Bob Warren. I am sure we'll have more to report next quarter.

To prove that we are still a young and vigorous group (a fact not always evident) we are proud to report that Bill Northam has taken command of a Battle Group in the 24th Division in Germany. On the other side of the coin, we were made acutely aware of a change in our characteristics recently. At a class gathering a newly arrived member (who shall remain nameless) blurted out "that grey haired guy over there must be Bob Warren." (It wasn't). Closer inspection revealed that the only conspicuous ones in 1960 are those whose heads are not yet grey, white, or bald.

In the "what's become of" department we have a few entries. In France we find Willie Moorman (two stars), Chick Andrews, Jim O'Hara, Dick Weber, and Bill Himes. Jablonsky is assigned to Korea, and over there we find a few "homesteaders;" Russ and Jean Jenna are in Seoul, and BJ and Farley Richardson, and Hal and Faith Edson in Taegu. Charlie and Dolly Elliott will also be in Seoul where he is taking over as Military Attaché. Hank and Mary Neilson are in Lima, Peru. Dennis McMahon is on duty with II Corps (Reserve) as a Sector Commander in Syracuse, New York.

Two of our members have recently retired, Si Gilman and Charlie Wood. It is understood that Charlie and Doris will settle in Rhode Island, and undoubtedly will be up at West Point in June to see their son Chuck graduate. Other sons in the Class of 1960 are Karl Gould, Berton Spivy, and Kort Smith (Dale's son).

Among those who have left the service sometime ago we have the following dope. Art Meier is with Northrop Aircraft Corporation supervising graphics in California and Craig Smyser is with Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company in Texas.

Those of you who have newsworthy items, please send them in. Particularly desired are those concerning some of our classmates who seem to have gone underground or otherwise taken the veil of seclusion.

—Tom Hayes

## 1935

Some thirty members turned up at the January luncheon of the Washington contingent, most of them intent on protecting their interests in what is sometimes referred to as our annual "election" of Steering Committee members. As a result, your committee for next year consists of: Moon FERRIS as chairman, Hank THAYER as vice chairman, Carmen ROGERS continuing as secretary-treasurer, Larry ST. JOHN as historian, plus Lee DAVIS and Jim WALSH as members-at-large.

Your class reunion committee, headed by George ECKHART, knows you will be glad to hear that plans are proceeding on schedule for the celebration of a Quarter of a Century of Progress in June.

In March, each of you should have received a letter giving the latest details on arrangements and asking for you to make a definite commitment to attend by sending in a check to cover the approximate cost. In April or May, the reunion book will be distributed with the hope it will get you in the mood. Any queries concerning arrangements should be made to Colonel Alvin L. MENTE, 6903 Hillmead Road, Bethesda, Maryland. Any queries re the reunion book should be made to Colonel Hart CAUGHEY, DC/S Personal, D/A, Washington 25, D. C. It is hoped that everyone will demonstrate that '35 is still alive by showing up at June Week.

Charlie RICH reports there have been a large number of reservations made at the Hotel Washington, Newburgh. Remember, the TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION activities get underway on Saturday, June 4th. If you cannot make them all, come on up for any portion.

Dave STONE has recently been in Walter Reed Hospital trying to un-slip a disc. It was a long siege for him, and we are happy to report his recovery. He returned to the Canal Zone on Washington's birthday to rejoin Caribbean based classmates STANCOOK, WRIGHT and SPRING. Joe STANCOOK is due for re-assignment in June and hopes to make the reunion.

From Saigon, Vietnam, Chuck SYMROSKI writes that we are well represented in the MAAG, with MINER, FRITH and TAYOR rounding out the group. Ann SYMROSKI and the girls are our sole feminine representatives in that area. They apparently are enjoying it, but looking forward to returning to the States in October. Chuck deputizes BREAKFIELD, now at Letterkenny Ordnance Depot, to represent them at the TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION. Incidentally, rumor has it that MINER will return to the Pentagon shortly.

Art and Louise FRYE expect to give up homesteading in Japan about July, probably returning to the Washington area. Art recently saw Hoot GIBSON who was on his way to be Eighth Army Ordnance Officer in Korea. Hoot should have that star on his shoulders by the time this goes to press. Congratulations!

Otto RHODE and Tommy LANG are about to leave for Korea also. Ray FIREHOCK is due to return from that area for a new job with the Chief of R&D in the Pentagon. George RUHLEN should be on his way back from Taiwan, but Jack WILLIAMSON is headed over there to maintain our Formosan contact.

Harry CRITZ left Fort Campbell in January and is now in Paris at SHAPE Headquarters. Jim ALGER and Iron Man RUSSELL now constitute our Fontainebleau contingent. According to Jim, the Iron Man had a very difficult time with his ulcer just before Christmas. RUSSELL sent us a clipping from Don PHELAN's Seine Area Command newspaper showing Don participating in the rekindling of the "Eternal Flame" at the Tomb of France's Unknown Soldier.

Ed HARRIS is now C/S of JUSMAG in Turkey, after enjoying with Alice and the children, a Mediterranean Cruise on the way. They saw Seep BASSITT in Tripoli and Jim ADAMS in Athens prior to joining Sam GRIFFEN in Ankara.

Bud SCHLANSER wants to be remembered to all. According to Autrey

MAROUN, Bud has a regiment in the Nurnberg area. MAROUN is Assistant Division Commander of the 24th Infantry Division. He and Amy are enjoying Augsburg. Paul BRYER is holding down our northern flank in Europe with the MAAG in Belgium.

Dee BECHTOLD continues her marvelous job as Southern California correspondent. Remember the address: 1230 W. Ash Ave., Fullerton, Calif. Bob HARDY seems to be doing quite well with his Sunshine Mining Company up in the Great Northwest. Kennie CURTIS is in Colorado Springs. Moose MILLER is winding up his course at the Language School in Monterey prior to going behind the "Iron Curtain" in June to be Army Attaché in Hungary. He and Betty hope to make the TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION on the way.

JEFUS is in the Baltimore area and PILLIVANT is at Aberdeen. When last heard from, PATTERSON was expecting to depart Dayton in the direction of D. C. Bob GREENLEE also anticipates a Washington assignment with ACSI after leaving Carlisle in June.

From New England comes word that the KEMPERS hope to make the reunion. However, the Headmaster will be tied up with graduation exercises at Andover through noon on June 5th. Harry HALE is G4-ing at Fort Devens, Mass. Edie OSMANSKI is attempting to hold contact with her far flung family from Wellesley. Frank, who is now with the 7th Division in Korea, will return in August.

Tommy LANG writes that a number of the class had a grand and wet reunion at Sill last December. Included were: GILLIS, HECKEMEYER, DILLEY, BOYLE, Gerry BROWN, KEATING, HARDEN and Johnny COLE. Bob STILLMAN sends his best from Lackland AFB, Texas, where he commands the Air Training Center.

Bill MARTZ is now at Knox, Sandy HORSTMAN at Norfolk, Jack ALFREY at Bliss and Tom CLARKIN at Benning. Tom writes that when the CLARKINS returned from Argentina, all the kids were talking excellent Spanish but last section English. However, they are now going in the right direction.

Norm SKINROOD heads for Naples in June to be with AFSE Headquarters. We are going to miss this ready source of information concerning latest orders. Guess we will just have to pound harder on Rube TUCKER's door down in Career Management. Don BERNIER has recently shown up in the Pentagon, as also has John SHERDEN. Clyde ZIEGLER is in the Chief of Engineers' Office and PARROT is working on disarmament questions in USAF Headquarters. Kent now has three children, the youngest only a few months old.

Before concluding, I want to express our appreciation to Pat MENTE for the outstanding manner in which he has handled this column during the past year. The undersigned can only hope to continue the same standards of class news. Just remember we are dependent on the information and pictures we receive from all of you. Keep them coming.

Be seeing you at the TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION in June!

—Larry St. John  
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Alexandria, Virginia

Perhaps the heaviest mail that comes in with Class news is around the first of each year—mainly from your Christmas greetings and your "dues" offerings. BEGGS is back at facult-"ing" at the Industrial College for his second tour. Hank BENSON has been on duty in Pentagon since Sept. 1957. BODINE leaves Monmouth and goes to Hawaii in April, Linda B. (18) is freshman at Bucknell U. From Monroe BUYNOSKI writes his daughter Stephanie has been accepted at Bryn Mawr. CAIRNES in Tripoli writes that "his" daughter, Kathleen (15) has had her leg in a cast from a horse accident. Bill returns to Dep Cmdr, USAF Recruiting Service at Wright-Patterson AFB. Cec and Bev COMBS announce that they recently celebrated living together in the same house for the long stretch of two years—this was the longest "one stop" in their lives and is, as you know, also at Wright-Patterson. From Hawaii, young Bill CONNOR is hoping desperately to get to West Point this summer. Civilian COVINGTON sent greetings from Culver school. Jack and Nam DALY made an unexpectedly rapid departure and change of station when they left Hawaii in December. They may also have made a false start, because the first "change o' address" I received was to Coronado, Cal. Much to my pleasure however it was soon followed by a "c.o.a." to 3rd US Army Missile Comd, Ft. Bragg, N.C. Now I may be able to see my ex-"wife" for the first time since before WWII. Got a letter from "Ole Stink" (T. R. DAVIS to many of us) which stated that his "son and heir is progressing in wisdom and age. He is known as the young Caruso, of North 60th St, here in Omaha." TR "shoves off" for Korea and his family remains in San Antonio. Heard from Bill DAVIS from "B'M'ham. Luke DELES-DERNIER is a well initiated Atlanta businessman who is now engaged in real estate ventures in this most prosperous city. A new career is opening up for this newest member of the civilian ranks. DICKENS has left Washington for Korea. DICKSONs still live in Annapolis and "Deadeye" continues with "Development" in USAF Hq. Oldest son, Jack, is at Columbian prepping for USNAcademy. Heard from John DORLAND at West Point and his father. The latter indicated that he hopes to get something out to you soon in regard to the 25th Howitzer. DRAIN is learning Finnish in preparation for a three year Attaché tour in that country beginning June '60. He also has a son at Annapolis and one at USMA. EVANS is doing "his hardship tour" in Iceland but expects to leave within a few months. Family is living in Washington. FINKEL wrote from the Electronic Systems Div, Sylvania, at Waltham, Mass. FISHER says "busier'n blazes". FURPHY is at Redstone Arsenal, GILLESPIE at McChord, Washington as C.G. "Jr." is still Pro at USMA. Since last Sept. Phil GREENE has been Director of Guidance at Coventry High School, R.I. He, Helen and Johnnie in "good shape". GROTHAUS is in Procurement in ODCSLOG and has acquired a house in Alexandria. Ray HARVEY is also on faculty at ICAF; he came there from 2nd Army and notices a considerable change. SIEVERS is in current class.

Tommy HAYES returned from Korea in August and after several "tries" finally found the Army wanted him settled in Los Angeles where he is building ground facilities for missiles. He and family are well and happy—oldest son "IV" (16) is a junior at Westchester Hi. HAYWOOD is Group V.P. of Huyck Corp and lives in New Canaan, Conn. His company sells about five millions worth of electronic and fluid systems to the Gov't. Recently Ollie was elected to Board of the Mitre Corporation, a non-profit outfit to which no other military person belongs. The HOLDERNESSES celebrated New Year's Eve at Army-Navy Club with CHRISTENSENS, CHAFFINS, Steve SMITHs, and Deadeye DICKSONs. KALLMANs are grandparents—last Aug.—of a boy. Max is stationed at Ft. Meade. Both of KIMBALL boys at U. of Virginia. Bill says WAGNER has arrived at Mitchel AFB as ConAC "communicator". BARTELLA also in area; has a logistics group in Brooklyn. Went on a hunting trip with Bub CLARK in December in Nantucket. Bill further stated he'd seen McCORKLE and STEWART at Kirtland, N.M. KINARD tells me that in fall ASSEMBLY I reported him as attending the Army War College for the second time. He reminded me that the course wasn't quite that difficult. Well, Bill, I apologize. You see I'm so hard up for news sometimes I try to reuse some of that stale news—but I ought not to pull this on an engineer who can and does read ASSEMBLY. There ought to be more like Bill. Dick KING announces that daughter Janet will marry a Stanford student in March. KLING's business has moved to 10333 Wayne Ave, Cincinnati 15; he's with a steel fabricating firm, Southern Ohio Fabricators, Inc. Greetings from another ex-36er, who is another builder, Tony LAMONT. He wishes word from his ex-wife, George CHAMPION. Gerrie and Jim LAMPERT are well into second year of duty in Saigon. They like their Vietnamese associations. Have seen classmates LYNCH, PECK and PACK. Son, Jim, is a junior at M.I.T. Heard from LONGLEYs in Texas. PEPPE writes that he is spending the winter in Lima, Ohio with his Dad. PRINCE left Ft. Hood, Texas for temporary duty at the Pentagon preparatory to attaché assignment in Ankara. QUINNs are already on way to Ankara for 2 or 3 years. Son, Rob, is at Washington and Jefferson College. RUTLEDGE is only 36er at Langley, Va., but associates with several over at Monroe. SAFFORD recently received his Master Parachute Badge after completing 65 "non conventional" exits from an aircraft. He has received a "B Badge" for 30 "super, non conventional" exits these may also be known as "French free falls". (This is one classmate who I trust has no desire to acquire any further life insurance!). He says Lolly started nursing course at Vanderbilt and that GRIFFITH joins the 101st in the spring. Frank SHEA moved to Succasunna, NJ last summer (see Dec. address list). Salutations recorded from Mediterranean Division Engineer SHULER. SIBERTs left Leonard Wood for troop duty with the 24th Division in Germany. Steve SMITH wrote he ran across ex-36er Bob Joerg who is a Navy Commander living in Washington. STEELE from Hq EUCOM says he visited with NOAKE in Naples and TURNAGE in



David A. Drain, USNA.

Rome; HAHNEY has joined Hq as Dep J-2. Both STEELE children are in school in Washington, but visited with Bill at Christmas. SWAIN wrote from Heidelberg and had expected sons to also join them for Christmas. Oren said Pete PERSONS was in G-2 Seventh Army. Nice letter received from the TERRELLs in Greenland. Daughter Pat came all the way from Occidental College in LA to spend Christmas. Fred runs into LOCKHART out of Thule and sometimes KERKERING. TRUE flies all over the world for AF Security Service with Hq in San Antonio. Last year visited with MIKE, NICK and AUSTIN in Alaska, LEE in Philippines, etc., Son, Tat, is still hoping for USMA or USAFA. TURNAGES are coming back from Italy next Aug. WHIPPLE is still Secty for Esso Exports, Mimi paints; Sandra lives in Boston designing book covers and Marcia is junior at Russell Sage College. Joe YOST with Logistical Comd, Ft.



William E. Covington, III USNA '61

Bragg, was with BENSON last fall out in Australia. Saw FAIKS at Leavenworth. Sees CATO and Daddy BROYLES in his own neighborhood frequently. Looking forward to welcoming Nan and Jack DALY to Bragg.

It is with the deepest regret that I announce the passing of our dear classmate, George ROBBINS, who died two years ago (March 26, 1957) at Corpus Christi, Texas. I am especially grieved we did not know of this sooner, but realize that much can be done to keep the Class closer together. George died rather suddenly of a heart attack. He is survived by his daughter, Sandy (14) and wife, Meredith. Address: Mrs. E. G. ROBBINS, Jr., 4633 Abner Dr., Corpus Christi, Texas.

Among several sons who will graduate at USMA this June, we also have Grant R. WAUGH, who will be our only offspring to represent us at USAir Force KIEFFER, III wrote from Annapolis giving me information about the three sons there. Pete will graduate in '61 and hopes to join the Army. Bill COVINGTON, III, '62, is planning to be a real sailor and go into subs or destroyers. Bob CRAWFORD, '62, hopes for Navia-tion for his career. It is grand to have these sons representing us on the Severn and we are anxious that their fondest aspirations are achieved.

Though I'm afraid that it's mostly a gauge of time's fleeting, nevertheless, the Class congratulates the recent permanent appointments of two-stars for ESTES and NAZZARO and "one" for DAVIS, CLARK and SHORES.

ALBRO wrote from Bangkok. He will be coming back to Washington in June. AUSTIN reported in from Alaska with news. Herb and Adele CADY still in Philly. CATOs at Bragg. Son Dick graduating at USMAy this June; has another aspirant; and daughter, Suzanne, is a freshman in a North Carolina college. "Granpappy and Nanny" CHAPPELEAR became that in January. Roy COLE will leave SHAPE soon and return to Staff and Faculty at Army War College. Roy III is a Yearling in same company with Plebe EDWARDS. CONNORS soon to be returning from Hawaii. The CORDES like Lewis but still remember us here in Atlanta. Cliff and son have become deer hunters—reminding one of several current Texas jokes. COZARTs is on way to command at Bluegrass Ordnance Depot, Ky. Oldest boy is junior at Ohio State—plans to make Navy his career. Next son is in Army Engrs. at Fontainebleau—just made PFC. Youngest still home helping with packing. DÜNN, commanding the famous 6th Cavalry, says they are commemorating its 100th anniversary and 35 battles (that's a major fight oftener than once every three years)! Says LAW-LOR has gone to Korea and Rip SMITH goes to Editor of "Stars and Stripes" Europe, this summer. Bob FERGUSSON wrote that he was looking into commemorating our Class dead at West Point this May. He says he has had some distinguished visitors at the Naval War College.—CARMICHAEL, KINARD, and WESTMORELAND. GOODWIN wrote from Carlisle reminding me that "he was still alive" in so far as our Xmas roster was concerned. Although your address was incorrect, you were at least not omitted. But I wonder if we did forget someone? GRUBBS will be Dep C.O. at

Joliet, Ill. depot. The HANEKES miss having Carolyn with them—she was married in Sept. Bill says there're a number of '36ers at Monroe. I "repeat" the best Class Secretary that we ever had was and IS Doris HIESTER—not only can she tell me more Class-mates she's personally seen than any two other 'mates report, but now her son, Jeep, makes like Maw; listen—"Right now it seems that the Class of '36 has more class sons than any other. . . . I had Gordon HOLTERMAN during Beast Barracks and DRAIN's son sat on my table today along with Frank GILLESPIE." Not to be surpassed, Doris' contributions: saw MIKKELSENS at Pueblo, Colo; in New York before Christmas ran into HAYWOODs, WHIPPLEs, KRAMERs, FINKELs, HIATTs, BARTELLA, KINARD, HOLDERNESS, WATERS, DAWALT, CHAFFIN, KALLMAN, McCARTY, CHRISTENSEN, GRIFFITH, GILLISPIE, and Wirt WILLIAMS. HOLTERMAN from Paris had visited PERSONS and SWAIN. KESSLER writes from Redstone, Ala, that COOKEs have joined '36er group there. Tom is Chief of Staff. FURPHY is Comptroller, and Bob is Training. KESSLERs were going on a trip to Orlando. BROYLES visited Maggie and Bob in Dec. LEE writes that he and KLOCK are the only "mates" in Taipei. Garnett returns to States this summer. Lt. Governor McELHENY is on 2nd of 3rd year in Canal Zone. MIKKELSEN is teaching physics at Pueblo College. "Jr" is a sophomore pre-med at U. of Colo. Martha Jane is a senior at same U. and is president of women's honorary society. Sis and Ed MILES are still at Hill AFB, Utah. You-all know of the MILLERs' retired where-abouts in Pacific Palisades, Cal. Jane NEFF wrote from San Antonio that she and her mother had been ill during last year; that she had been promoted in her government work classification; that daughter, Mickey, is hi-school senior planning on Rice Institute and hoping to teach English. Bob and Kay ORTH are still at Shaw AFB, S.C. PARTRIDGEs leaving Monroe in June, probably Germany. Bruce PALMER sent one of his usual ample Class contributions (2 page letter and two photographs). MOHLERE and Ike SMITH are on faculty at AWC with Bruce. GOODWIN, FINLEY and WATERS are students. Jim is headed for a "hardship" tour this summer, then returns to S & F. George's oldest son graduates from W.P. this June. Chuck's oldest son is a freshman at Dickinson in Carlisle. BARLOW, retired in Harrisburg, was a "guest" at AWC hospital after catching his foot in a power mower. SIBERTs visited before Christmas on way to Frankfurt where Bill is G-1, V Corps. Bruce said he visited Bob and Charlotte FERGUSSON at Ft. Adams, R.I. and that Bob is doing an outstanding job at the Naval War College. RIPPLEs are in Turkey on NATO business. The older children are in school in the States. Heard from the SCHWERINGs in Wilton, Conn. Len SHEA writes from Paris (SHAPE). Expects to return in '61. Last summer George SIBERT finished jump training at nearby Benning, then got married. Following that he took flight school at Fort Rucker then went on to instrument training. He ranked #1 in both. He and Judy are now with the 8th Avn Co. of the 8th Div, Baumholder, Germany.



Robert L. Crawford, USNA '62.

For the past few years I know the SIKES have had a belly-full of cold. They now happily announce retirement (May) and relocation to 3729 Eagle Ave, Key West, Fla. Glenn may teach, Dorothy may go to work. Dorothy's son Bill who has married not too long ago, made the SIKES grandparents last October. The very best luck to the SIKES come May! SINGLETARY is Ass't Com. and Mathematics Professor at Fishburne Military, Waynesboro, Va. He's been there for past three years and is planning on his Masters degree soon. STOKES writes an address change to 4509 Leona St, Tampa 9, Fla. THOMPSON is PMS&T at VPI going on a fourth year. JANOF stopped off to visit on his way for duty at Sacramento Signal Depot. BESS' also visited. Frank GOLDENBERG is a student at VPI (son of COLDIE and nephew of GILLESPIE). McCARTY and son dropped in to inspect the college last fall. Wort WILLIAMS leaves in August for Germany after five years in Pentagon. He may have slightly "jumped the gun" but at any rate he's "on the beam": he enclosed a picture of his three very handsome children to use in the 25th Howitzer. Fran writes of the WILLIS' activities in Houston. Also a cute five children picture from Phil WHITEHEAD.

—P. S. Gage, Jr.  
2128 Belvedere Dr, N.W.  
Atlanta, Ga.



Pierre V. Kieffer, III USNA '61.

19 February 1960

This is my first crack at being "recorder of the board" since taking over as Class Secretary-Treasurer from Robbie who turned over the poop sheets at the January luncheon and promptly headed for Florida aboard his new yacht. Here's all the dope I have to date.

Two new "star men" in the class—Dick Fellows and Bob Herman—congratulations!

Johnny Zierdt got a fine new job as boss of the Army's Nike Zeus program.

"Chief" Evans passes the word that Paul Fransen, ex-'37, retired as a colonel at Ft. Hamilton, New York, on 31 December 1959.

Thanks to Howie Smalley, who had a "class round-up" on 18 December in his house at the Presidio, we have news of some classmates in the San Francisco Bay area (see picture).

Mort and June Magoffin are living in Pleasanton, California. He is in the mutual funds business.

Bill and Marge Nagel have a home in San Francisco where he is working for an electrical manufacturing company—name unknown.

Fred and Ginny Ressigieu vacationed in Hawaii last summer where they visited the Barkos at Hickam AFB. Jim had a mild heart attack but recovered and is currently doing fine.

Joe Chabot is commanding the Garry Owens Battle Group of the First Cavalry Division in Korea.

John Batjer is running SAC-Mike at the Air Force Ballistic Missile Division in Los Angeles.

Bryan Arnold and good wife Eugenia retired in '58 and live in Oakland where he toils as a realtor.

Oscar and Pat Steely are at Travis AFB where he is Director of Material, 3230 Air Division, MATS.

Jack and Betty Chapman live in Los Altos where Jack is orbiting with the Lockheed Missile and Space Division.

Ben and Toni Porterfield are in Palo Alto where Ben is greasing the skids with Standard Oil Co. in San Francisco.

Jack and Chris Worcester, currently at Travis AFB, have orders to Washington, D. C. for July '60.

Max and Carolyn Tincher recently moved to the San Francisco area after a long sojourn at Ft. Leavenworth.

Oh, yes—I turned in my well-worn blue suit 31 December and am currently Manager of Market Development at the Air Arm Division of Westinghouse—still "batching it" in Washington—drop me a line.

—GUS

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The Class of '38 still appears to be in the family business. We have a report from Hugh and Jan Wallace who state that they are expecting number five in May of this year. Our congratulations to the Wallaces.

Also to be congratulated are a number of our classmates who have recently received promotions. To permanent Major

General: Butch Blanchard—Director of Operations, SAC; Jack Ryan—Director of Materiel, SAC. To permanent Brigadier General: Bob Breitweiser—Director of Intelligence of the Joint Staff, JCS; Spike Spicer—Commander, Los Angeles ADS, ADC, Norton AFB; Freddie Dean—Commander, Air Task Force 13, Provisional, PACAF. To temporary Major General: Spike Spicer; To temporary Brigadier General: Bill Kieffer—Commander, 2nd Bomb Wing, SAC, Hunter AFB, Georgia; Doug Polhanus—Deputy Assistant for Atomic Energy, DCS/O, USAF; Lou Coira—Deputy Director Office of Manpower Requirements and Utilization, OSD; Dick Bromiley—DCS/Plans MATS, Scott AFB, Ill; Charlie Young—DCS/Intelligence, USAF.

Locations of some classmates which have not previously been reported are:

At Ft. Leavenworth: Gus Broberg, Gus Chalgren, Stan McKee (Secretary of the Command and General Staff School), Bob Works (Chairman of Combat Development Department) and Joe Connell (Joe is to be ordered to Korea in March and wife Mary will live with the youngsters in the town of Leavenworth.)

At Ft. Sill: Bill Beverly and Rudie Laskowsky.

In Korea: Bill Ekman (MAAG); Bob York (Chief of Staff of a division); Tracy Harrington (Dottie is staying in Washington, D.C.; and Al Sundin (Jean is staying in Washington, D.C.).

Other current assignments are Virg Zoller as Commander of the 832nd Air Division at Cannon AFB, New Mexico; Ski York as Chief of Staff, Western Air Defense Force at Travis AFB, Calif.; Jim Chubbuck at Ft. Belvoir; and Ches Chesarek as Chief of Staff, COMZ, Orlean, France.

Allen Jones is Commanding Officer at Fort Myer, Va. He reports that his youngster, Allen, now at Colgate has recently received a principal appointment to West Point entering hopefully this summer.

Our "infallible" grapevine indicates that the following officers either have already received orders or will do so in the near future:

C. H. Anderson to the Pentagon from the Armed Forces Staff College; Vince Elmore to Sandia Base from Korea; Pete Kopcsak to the Pentagon; Norm Tittle from the Pentagon to Korea (will leave family in Washington, D.C.); John Tillson also from Pentagon to Korea; Nev Howell from Pentagon to Presidio at San Francisco; Fred Lough to West Point; and Chuck Jackson from MAAG, Taiwan, to Pentagon.

Information from the retired ranks indicates that Al Frolich who retired last summer is teaching in a Junior College at Van Nuys, Calif. Harvey Barnard, a Denverite for many years, is now Vice President of Frontier Airlines.

Lastly should be mentioned that two of our distinguished wives have achieved positions of no little importance working for civilian concerns in Washington. Shirley Byars is a District Manager for World Book Encyclopedia, and Mabel Haynes is Assistant for Advertising Promotion for U.S. News and World Report.

—Ken Skaer

3217 Coquelin Terr.  
Chevy Chase, Md.

The Washington contingent opened up the new decade with a formal dinner dance at the Bolling AFB on 26 January. Seventy-seven joined in the fun arranged by Bunny Adams who unfortunately was called out on a trip a few hours before the party. Rocky Crawford ably substituted for Bunny. Out-of-town guests were "Spec" and Jean Fraser, Danny Minahan and Charley Brombach. The class voted to accept responsibility for the Army-Navy-Air Force Cotillion from the class of 1934. The Cotillion has the laudable objective of inculcating service children with the amenities of formal dances in the West Point hop tradition. Andy Goodpaster assumed the initial leadership and sparked the interest of the class. Committees are now being formed and the class will take over the job next fall.

From "Spec" Fraser comes the news that P. V. Tuttle will take over as Director of Military Psychology and Leadership at the Point in the summer from "Fritz" Fredericks who heads for Korea. All seven class sons weathered the mid-year "Foundling" list—sons seem smarter than their fathers. Jim McCrory, whose boy is a yearling, is PMS&T at Loyola in Chicago. Seth Hudgins, whose boy is also a cadet, extended a year—Commands the 1st Regt. "Spec" Fraser goes to the NATO Training Center for Experimental Aerodynamics in Brussels for one year beginning October. Frankie Joe Kobes is a big wheel on the New York State Physical Committee. A late flash has Ed Smith returning from Italy to the 82nd Airborne Division.

George Winton, now commanding the missile group in the 2d Missile Command at Carson is scheduled for the Pentagon soon. Lee Webster is now with OCE in Washington. Congratulations to Chris Coyne on his marriage to Meredith Niles of Washington, D. C. "Pappy" Wells is due to join the Army staff from the Fort Worth Engineer District. Joe and Jane Kingsley rolled into Washington for a tour with the Air Staff. Jack Dobson moves from Copenhagen to 7th Army this summer to take over a command. Joel Thomason, Army Attaché in Copenhagen, is reported living under elegant circumstances. Mike Davison leaves Army R&D soon to be Senior U. S. Representative and Chief USA Standardization Group in the U. K. Tom Dolvin commands CCA, 4th Armored Division in Germany. Jack Boles moves from the Operations Research Office to be executive R&D in the Pentagon this summer.

John Wald of H Co. sends word of three classmates involved in the heady and hectic atmosphere of missile programs at the Redstone Arsenal. John is seated in the bucking saddle as Chief, JUPITER Project Office. He reports Jay Dawley is Assistant District Engineer Mobile District. Natalie and Jay welcomed a fourth addition recently. George Pickett is Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army Ordnance Missile Command.

Phil Seaver retired to accept management of a large apartment development in New York.

Walt Higgins reports visiting many classmates on his recent Southeast Asia trip. At USARPAC are Jim Muir as G-3 operations and Jim Billups as G-3 plans. What a combination! Joel Walker is with a battle group at Schofield while Charlie

Mount occupies a chair in J-5 CINPAC. "Flo" Florence holds down the G-4 JUSMAG slot in Manila. Bud and Georgia Lasche live in a wonderful set of quarters in Saigon after vacating another house because of snakes. Bud is adviser to Chief of Staff, Vietnamese Army. Higgy met Ralph Jordan from ASA Hawaii while flying the Red Carpet United from San Francisco to Washington. One star Ben Miller is at Travis AFB.

Congratulations to Dick Curtin, Bunny Adams and Bob Richardson on their stars. Second stars fell on Riggs Sullivan and Jim Wilson. Also congrats!

The class of '61 at the NWC will be represented by Bud Newcomer, Bob Spraggins, John Bane and Mike Krisman. Sailor Byrne continues to live it up in Madrid. Art Allen finally broke out of Walter Reed and is now in the Pentagon. Seen around the Pentagon: Chuck Parsons from the Foreign Institute, Jim Collins from Monterey attending a language training program, "Livy" Taylor in the Army Legislative Liaison Division, "Burr" Showalter in DCSOPS, Ben Chapla who soon leaves Officers' Assignment Division for the JCS Secretariat.

Ray Allen, MA in Malaya, has the latch out for classmates visiting Kuala Lumpur. Departing the NWC after graduation in June are Ken Collins to Korea, Stan Dziuban to Pentagon, Roger Lilly to overseas, and Dutch Kerwin to the Pentagon.

Ed Dannemiller, Walt Vann and Bob McMahon appear in fine fettle and high spirits at Leavenworth. "Pop" and Dotty Serrem are in Boston and anticipate the Washington area next summer. "Pop" heads the Regional Ordnance District.

—Dutch Kerwin  
611 Janneys Lane  
Alexandria, Virginia

## 1940

Cameron, Adams, et al (our hosts for June Week) are ready, the schedule is prepared and all that is needed now is attendance. If by chance all notices have failed to catch up with you write to Bob Cameron at the Academy and he will give you the information that you need. The two o mark was a familiar gathering place of many of the class worthies so all are reminded that it is two o time again at U.S.M.A. with no staybacks contemplated.

Freddy White is still in the Pentagon, along with Rick Ferrill. Cibotti is instructing college boys at Boston College and Milner is at Fort Totten, Hoover in the Far East and Vic Conley in the Pentagon. Gildart is in Maine and Ted Davis is in Japan. Want to write to Sanford? His address is General Delivery, Minden, Nev. Archie Knight is at the Air War College at Maxwell, Floryan at Headquarters Fourth Army at Sam Houston.

Bidwell Moore is at Fort Meade and Frontczak in Europe, Milt Barnard at Lockheed AFB in Texas, Bob Strong in Europe, Dick Cassidy in language school about to go somewhere, O'Keefe in Europe, Williams in the Far East, Barry at Meade, Ware at Homestead AFB in Florida, Renwanz last reported at Fort Mis-soula, Mont. Leedom is at Mira Lune Air Station in Mira Luna, Calif. Harry Bunze out of the service and at Falls Church, Va.,

Reubel in the Pentagon, John Aber at Fort Leavenworth, Colligan at Wright Air Defense Center in Ohio, Sleeper in Hawaii, Buck at Perrin AFB in Texas.

Dalziel and Lewis are at Jacksonville, Ark., Esau at Tinker AFB in Okla. and McCartan at Otis AFB in Mass., Frank De La Tour at Carlisle Barracks, Lynee in the Pentagon, Fellenz at Fort Campbell, Ky., Ulm in the Pentagon, Deems at Maxwell Field, Barton and Klar at Fort Huachuca, Bull Marling still calls Rough and Ready, Calif. his home. Haessly is at CONARC, Fort Bliss, Texas, Millican in the Pentagon, Shoemaker at Fort MacArthur, Calif. Miley in the Pentagon, Marsh at Fort Bliss, Guy at Fort Ritchie, Minahan in the Pentagon.

Russell is at Laughlin AFB in Texas, Clock in the Pentagon, Cerby on Staff of Commander First Fleet, Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif., Sam Peterson at Fort Ord, Joe Hardin at West Point, Reedy in Bermuda, Saunders at Middlebury College, Vt., Paul O'Neill at Pratt Institute, New York at PMS&T. Jim Humphrey is the Pilot Life Insurance man with office at 299 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables, Florida. John Coontz is retired and living at 1215 Devon Lane, Newport Beach, Calif. Dyke is planning to fly east for the reunion from Ent AFB in Colorado. Milton is in Korea, Ben Delamater at Ripen College, Wisc., Al Gillem at Plattsburg AFB in New York, Aquilla Hughes at Gunter AFB in Alabama.

Jim Shelley still at Langley AFB in Virginia, Hank Daniels at Fort Williams, Portland, Me., Russ Manzolillo, prince of good fellows, at Virginia Military Institute setting an example and molding character, Bill Porte still selling insurance in Colorado Springs, 468 Independence Building, Lanny Witt at Pedricktown, N.J., Cook, J.A., at Fort Ord, Smith, S.T., is director of personnel at Randolph AFB in Texas. Erspamer is on Formosa. Pat Davis at Ent AFB, Colo., Frank Mandell at Headquarters Second Army at Fort Meade, Eben Swift at Fifth Army in Chicago, Tony Wermuth an instructor at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., Harmon Rimmer at Idaho State in Pocatello, Idaho, Harry Stella stationed Omaha, Neb., Hackett at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Rooney is on duty in Columbia, S.C. after return from three year tour with Military Mission in Lima, Peru. McLean at Fort Lewis, Wash. Chamberlin at Fort Hood, Texas. Kinsell living at 110 Roseville Road, West Port, Conn., Case with SACLANT in Norfolk, Va., Aubrey in the Pentagon, Gordon in the Far East, APO-331, San Francisco, LaBreche at Duluth Municipal Airport, Minn. Monroe at Fort Leavenworth, Fate at APO 733, Seattle. The Artic, that is. Harrison is at Redstone Arsenal in Alabama with Bengston, Francisco in Iran, Coats in the Pentagon, Strauss at the Army Language School, Monterey, Calif.

Bob Brewer at Fort MacArthur, Calif., Homer Chandler at Nurnberg Post, APO 696 New York, Chuck Fairlamb's address is 134 "S" Hill Road, Ridgewood, N.J. Shoss at Fort Sill, Ferry at Redstone Arsenal, Ala. Alan Rorick's address is: 8811 Brecksville Doad, Brecksville, Ohio, Bill Clark at SHAPE, Carey O'Bryan at Kirtland AFB New Mexico, Krauss at Aberdeen, Gunster on Arctic Test Board, APO 735 Seattle. Thommen's address is 70 Stony Ridge Drive, Hillsdale, N.J., Quaid

at Fort Hood, Texas, Penney with District Corps of Engineers in Tulsa, Okla.

Jacobs is back from Hawaii and with the USA Engineer District in Memphis, Tenn., Harry French is at Tinker AFB, Okla., Leo Dunham at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Al Gee's address is: 285 Ridgewood Drive, Snyder 21, New York. Symroski is in Japan, Dible in Hawaii with CINPAC, Dill Ellis can be reached at 402 E. Harrison Street, Dillon, S.C., Wendell Sell's address is: 3934 Lynoak Drive, Claremont, California, Rosen at Fort Leavenworth, Kenney in Ontario, Canada. Letezo is in the Pentagon, Jack Wright also in the Pentagon, Jim Dubuisson has an address of Box 250 Opelousas, La.

If anyone above is reported in wrong location, indignant letters of protest are welcome as long as they bear correct address and contain information about other classmates as well.

Bill Bennett c/o Military Department, La Salle College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, announces that he has free for the asking an extra copy of the 1937 Howitzer and the 1940 Howitzer. Who wants?

—Hank Brewerton  
2167 Cacique Street  
Santurce, Puerto Rico

Editor's Note:

Col. Henry R. Brewerton, captain of the 1940 U. S. Military Academy swimming team, has established an annual trophy award for the swimming team captain at Valley Forge Military Academy, Wayne, Pa.

The award will be made in memory of Major Robert W. Crandall, captain of the 1939 West Point team who was killed in action in Italy in World War II.

Col. Brewerton, a former director of admissions at Valley Forge, and Major Crandall attended high school together in Panama before going to the Point. Col. Brewerton, who is now a resident of Santurce, Puerto Rico, is head of Continental Schools, Inc., a student placement service.

## 1941

The nice part of writing the poop for the spring issue each year is the large volume of mail that comes in the form of Christmas cards and Christmas letters. Consequently, there is more class news than in any of the other issues. A nice letter from Jock and Ruth Adams states that he is still with the first battle group of the 9th Infantry as Exec Officer, and they are enjoying (enduring) their second winter at Eielson AFB. They visited the Gribbles at Elmendorf last summer on their way back from Sitka where Jack had gone to participate in the raising of the first 49 star flag of the new state.

Poopie Ellis, now at Leavenworth, sends the following, very interesting report: Biz Moore from 18th Airborne Corps to Norfolk and AFSC. Charlie Busby is G-3 section 18th Airborne Corps, Dick Von Schrlitz is in Psychological Warfare Center, Hq. Harry Rising is Executive Officer to the Third Missile Command and attracted a lot of publicity when he had to jump out of an airplane to save his life near Raleigh just before Christmas. Jim Cox is Deputy CO at Pope AFB. Poopie is Assistant S-3, 82nd Airborne Division Artillery, present-

ly TDY at the Spring Associate Class at Leavenworth, the only 41er in the class. Faculty members at Leavenworth include Bill Hoge, George McIntyre, Horace Brown, Woody Garrett, and Jim McElroy. He inclosed a clipping stating that Miss McElroy was one of five winners for Kansas in the achievement awards program for the National Council of Teachers of English.

The Christmas cards included a very handsome picture of the Brad Smiths and children. Brad is enroute to JUSMAG, Thailand, APO 146, San Francisco. Beanie and Dick Aldridge sent Aloha from Hickam with the news that they will be off to Maxwell in January, and wondering how they will ever teach their children to wear shoes. Bill and Marie Clifford's card reported a happy and busy year with Marie and the kids staying in an apartment at Arlington while Bill went to the AFSC. A nice note from Alma and Mal Troup stated that Moody Mayfield, Bill Star and Dick Levy were with them at Fort Lee. Carmen and Wendy Knowles say Wendy is jumping regularly with the rough and rugged division troops. Kathy is learning to ride 5 gaited show horses and Mike is five and fighting clothes and shoes madly. They are at Fort Campbell. Dottie and John Henschke are "resettled in lower Surberbia in a small square house with green shutters and indoor bathroom" in Belview, Neb, where John toils as a SAC planner. Bob and Joe Kramer send greetings for the third and "sadly" last time from Spain. Jack and Lucy Millikin send a card from Hawaii where Jack is stationed at Schofield. Jack and Muriel Christianson say "hanging around for another tour—call us on the next junket". They're still in Washington. Kay and Roy Kelley say, "We went up to the West Point homecoming, a relatively new custom, but one that is taking hold. Saw the Dixons, Uptons, Schillings, Tanzys, Woodwards (from Stevens Institute in Hoboken)." Walt and Midge Mather sent an interesting card from Varona where he is with the Headquarters Allied Land Forces, Southern Europe. Betty and Potter Campbell sent a card from the AWC saying "several of the group got outstanding places on the promotion lists to Colonel. As soon as we leave USMA the place goes to pot. Got to buck up that team. I'm going Army-Air next year (18 years too late)." Joyce and Ben Mayo write from Washington. "Steve will take Air Force Academy exams this spring." They are hoping to go to Europe this summer. Ray and Rip Collins write "It looks like I'm the last 41er in US Army, Japan, except for Ed Gelderman, who is USARJ G-4." Danforth is now with US Forces in Japan and Stalnaker and Elder are still with 5th Air Force. They left the Headquarters and are now in Tac Units north of Fuchu. Bobbie and Herb Clendening write, "missed you at the Oklahoma game. We had a good visit with Jack and Marion Camp at the game and at the party that night." Barbara and Jack Bentley say they'll be at Maxwell another year. "Jack still has his beagles and I'm becoming an expert in rabbit cookery." John and Julie Easton write from Vandenberg where John commands the 576th Strategic Missiles Squadron (Atlas). John says "Got too ambitious on the squash court and ended up in the hospital with a broken Achilles' tendon.

Surgery and an ensuing infection, have kept me in the hospital for seven weeks. Hoping to get sick leave and take Julie to Hawaii in January or February." Ralph and Betty Upton write that the West Point group is getting smaller each year. "Buchanan, Tansey, Wooline, Dixon and Schilling remain and it appears that the Dixons and the Uptons will be leaving this summer. Bill and Judy Seawell write that they have moved twice recently. Once to a new home in Sumner and second when Bill's boss, Mr. Douglas, moved to the job of Deputy Secretary for Defense. Picture cards included one of my favorite young ladies, 2 year old Catherine White. Wray and Charlotte are still in Omaha. Marge and Ben McCaffrey in a family group that includes their new baby, Kevin Lee, born 1 October, and Libby and Arn Phillips with their five youngsters and Father Phillips looking more like Henry Fonda every day. Herb Richardson writes from Paris of a rather bleak Christmas this year, "Sandy our eldest, flies to West Point day after tomorrow for Plebe Christmas with a heart interest there in the Freshman Class. Seems impossible." Kay and Fred Ascani write from Wright-Patterson with surprisingly no news of any additional members of the family. Gregg and Mickey McKee sent a fascinating mimeographed letter of their activities in Bangkok, Thailand. Terry and Curt Chapman sent a Christmas letter saying that Curt is back in the Regular Army in the Corps of Engineers in Washington in an interesting job in OCE Research Development. They are at 415 Underhill Place, Alexandria. We also heard from Tom and Alice Fisher in Washington, Pattie and John Lock at Air Defense Headquarters, Ent AFB, Colo, Bill and Marge Hershonow in California, Tom and Willis Corbin at Lincoln AFB, Neb.

Speaking of Christmas cards, I want to start a little discussion right now on the proposition of doing as the class of '42 does each year with a Christmas letter. If you have a chance to see a 42er and see the format, I think you might be interested. Each year a mimeographed poop sheet goes out with a short squib from each classmate which brings up-to-date his family status, military status, address, and a short sentence or two of appropriate greeting to the rest of the class. I would be happy to take a cut at this if enough people are interested, so let me know what you think.

A letter of 4 December from Chuck Schilling announced that instead of going to the Army-Navy Game, they stayed home "to do something more constructive." Hence, she paid a visit to the hospital at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday morning to give birth to her fifth child, a boy, Robert Herschel, who weighed in at 7 lb 3½ oz. Bill Seawell wrote to say that Fox Rhynard told him Andy and Clair Evens are due in town shortly. Andy is entering language training before taking over the 58th Air Division at Torrejon, Spain next year. Got a note from Rod O'Conner who is the Base Commander at Walker AFB.

The latest Army-Navy-Air Force Journal orders section shows Ernie Whittaker to USALS Persidio of Monterrey. Sam MacGruder to USAELM SHAPE, Paris, Thiesen to Okinawa, Howdy Clark to Army War College, Matt Harrison to Industrial College, and John Dean to France.

A recent visitor here was Dick Travis

stopping on his way back to his base at Williams AFB, Ariz. A note from Ray White says that John Van Hoy leaving Omaha Engineer District for a three month course in Logistics and then to USAREUR in Heidelberg to join the Lintons. Other Journal Orders indicate Moose Longino to JUS MAAG, Ankara. Hunter Woodward from Sill to ODCSOPS, Washington, D.C., Mort Birdseye from Fort Bliss to Korea, and nominated to the British Imperial Defense College, Roy Atterbury. George Brown has been given a new post of Military Assistant to the new Secretary of Defense, Mr Gates, and Bill Seawell is taking George's job as military assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Mr Douglas. Fred Ascani, who was here on a very brief visit recently, has taken over a new job as director of System Engineering at Wright Air Development Center.

The gang in Washington has a poop sheet being circulated by Bob Coakley, in which they are proposing to centralize all class activities in Washington with a central fund and officers elected annually. This will not only provide better control at a point where a majority of the classmates are located, but will enable us to begin a program to recognize sons of the class who in the next 4 or 5 years will begin graduating from service academies. It looks like a good idea, so please don't forget to fill out the questionnaire with your suggestions and opinions and mail them back in to Bob Coakley.

That's all for now, but let's start thinking about the 1961 reunion. The big twentieth is not too far away. Sincerely,

—Burt Andrus  
112 Washington St  
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Abilene, Texas

## 1942

The payoff of months of political infighting came on 28 Jan at the Arlington Hall Officer's Club where we of the D.C. Contingent met in solemn conclave. Those concluding their Washington tour looked happy and relaxed, the newcomers obviously anticipated being had, wondering only by whom, and the balance were rendered conspicuous by their efforts at anonymity! Present were Rog Barnes, Bob Berman, George Buck, Paul Cerar, Frank Clay, Crit, Jack Crowley, Bob Clagget, Bill Crosson, Jeff Davis, Fergy, Roy Geiger, yrs trly, Sam Hays, Johnny Heard, Dick Hennessey, Dick House, Sam Howell, George Hughes, Doc Hyde, Sam Koster, Bill Kraft, Andy Low, John Mattina, George Rehkopf, John Reid, Hal Rice, Fran Roberts, Bud Roecker, Bud Ryder, Harv Shelton, Lee Stann, Don Simon (our host), Bob Spilman, Peyt Tabb, Jim Vivian, Miles Wachendorf, Van Warren, and Bill Zimmerman. Dick Miles, Pat Timothy and George Hesselbacher created mild confusion by arriving late and thereby necessitating the deletion of their names from the list of possible (probable?) nominees! Bill Plott, the Mayor of Bolling Field, was chosen as our Leader for 1960 by virtue of his experience, seniority—and absence. That, incidentally, endows Madam Plott with the Presidency of the local wives group. Chet Ladd is our Vice Chairman, Jack Barnes the Secretary, Bob Spilman—on a

platform of "Squash every day"—the Treasurer and yr obdt svt remains as scavenger of information. Bob was particularly shaken by his election; as he mournfully wailed, "You can't do this to me; I'm here!"

J. Reid's fiscal report was highly encouraging. Despite the number of delinquents—does this mean YOU? If so, just send four bucks and all will be forgiven—the recent contributions have done wonders for the Class coffers. Harv advised that Jess Lewis had lent a hand in obtaining estimates on the cost of the 20 YEAR BOOK. Apparently we can count on an outside cost of \$2,500 for 500 copies, and there seems to be little doubt that we can knock that off with no sweat—if you all continue to cooperate as you have this year.

Thanks to Caroline Brice, Barbara Hanst, Jean Hughes, Helen Low, Betty Lou Plott and Cissie Shelton, the teenagers of the D.C. Contingent had what we all hope was a real kick on 6 Feb. The Lows offered the rec room of their lovely home on Lake Barcroft (I didn't think that even AF bird colonels could afford a house on the lake), refreshments were provided, friend wife volunteered me to help keep the ball rolling, and the best looking, best behaved gang of teenagers you ever saw had a fine record-hop type party. The improved second-generation in attendance included Johnny Barnes, Leslie Barnes, Bob Beers, Kathy and Bonnie Buck, Les Goddard (Dick Brice's stepson), Jeff Cerar, Larry Caruthers, David Crosson, Jack and Chris Crowley, Tom Fergusson, Pam Gates, Bill Gernert, Susan and Ken Hanst, Sharon Harrell, Richard Hays, Mary Hennessey, George Hesselbacher, Stanley and Chris Hinkle, Joanne and Dianne Howell, Susie and Randy Hughes, Tom Hunter, Dave Josephson, Betty Kraft, Bonnie Ladd, Andrea and Drew Low, John Mattina, Barbara and Peggy O'Neal, Patty and Marilyn Plott, Wendy Rice, Murray and Laurie Roberts, Harv and Knox Shelton, Sue and Stephanie Scott, John Short, Mary Wachendorf and Jeanne Warren. A group to be proud of—especially when compared with the group of parents who took advantage of the Lows' hospitality upstairs during the evening!

Congratulations are in order for Eagle Al Wilder and to Roy Geiger and Ray Murphy for appearing on the Colonel list. Likewise to Peyt Tabb and Paul Cerar for their selection for ICAF and to Frank Clay, John Sheffey, Lin Jordan, John Sitterson, Charlie Coleman, Dowillie Divers, Dan Halpin and Danny Raymond for their selection for AWC.

Bits and pieces—Larry Vogel ordered to Germany, Ink Gates to Engr Dist, Teheran, George Seip to MAAG Netherlands, Marty Martinez to Vietnam, Jim Vivian to ALS, Monterey, and Gene Weeks here. Faithful ally Joe Cannon confirms above and adds word that Bud Clapp will be coming here as John Short leaves us for SETAF and that Jack Crowley's campaign for the TC has paid its first dividend (?) in the form of Will Zimmerman. Jack moves to TC R&D at Ft. Eustis but leaves the family in their handsome establishment here so that he can become the #1 long-distance commuter. The Bonassos had bunked with the Cannons on their way back to Campbell from Wolters where Bunny had learned to fly choppers. Joe also reported that last

year while on one of his many trips between Mannheim and Verdun he was impelled to stop at the U.S. Memorial Cemetery at St. Avold. On a wall by the Chapel were listed the names of those who gave their lives in nearby fighting but whose remains had never been recovered. Among them was our Knobby Bilstin. A nice memory, Joe, and a reminder to us all to give a thought and a mental salute now and then to the fine members of '42 who are gone.

Ec Cutler, Tom Rienzi, Wyley Baxter and Jack Dean were drafted to send news from their locales. Ec advises that new arrival Jack Watson heads the Armor Section in the Battle Group and that Don Fiskien teaches Military History. He enjoyed a tour of the Signal Corps Labs in Dec, courtesy of Jim Obenchain and said that Tom Iuliucci had recently been up for a quick visit. Barbara and I can report that Ec and Ginger are in fine fettle, having enjoyed their hospitality on a Feb Saturday night between athletic events (all victorious except for the Squash team) along with Doug Murray, Dopey and Jackie Stephens (just back from three weeks in Puerto Rico), Tom and Sidney Tarver, Art and Pearl King



Cherie Koster, Mary Anne Harrell, Rev. Rowland and a fringe beneficiary.

(who report that Annabelle Ray is getting along well), Phil and Lou Riedel and Don and Sandy Fiskien. The Flanagans were absent, Kathie being involved with the doctors, but not seriously, according to Lou. Wyley, Professor of Geography, and Pete Moody, Professor of English (permanent), report things quiet at the USAFA except for a behind-the-scenes investigation of Professor Clementson (Aerodynamics) who has bought two horses and acquired a third by natural processes! Tom Rienzi fired back a fine letter including the news that Bob Rawls and family had just returned to Honolulu after a visit to Japan, that the Rienzis and Walkers are happy at Schofield Barracks, that he'd seen Carl Stapleton and Marsh Waller recently and expected to see them plus Bob Blair and Ed Aileo on a forthcoming trip and that he'd heard fine reports on the job Danny Raymond did with his Engr Bn in Korea.

My apologies to J. Baker. He *did* make it back here in time for the canal boat trip—and thereby lowered himself several degrees in my estimation. Imagine driving practically all night just to be able to carouse with the Class of '42!

Maupin reports a pleasant visit with the Horridges in Parish not too long ago. Warning! He'll be back again in a few weeks.

The *Journal* of 16 Jan had a squib to the effect that Bob Brugh is PMS&Ting with the Chicago High Schools. He,

Cathy, five daughters and four sons (there's a lack of balance there, Bob) are settled in Oak Park. Also an item advising that Mrs. Garth Stevens had participated in the ceremony at Ft. Leavenworth honoring Grey Ladies and Staff Aides. With Orpha Buchanan in the former group and Marcie Bringham in the latter, there's now incentive for cultivating the grey hair and encouraging the ailments! Jim Hayes maintains the Class standing among the intellectual soldiers with an article on "Interpretation of Intelligence" in the Jan issue of *Army*.

Them as should know better—namely, the Shedd—made my December trip to Carlisle painfully worthwhile. They lured Lyn and Frank Koisch, Helen and Jim Hottenroth, Jean and Joe Schmidt, Nancy and Pete Russell, Margaret and Don Bolton and my date, Carol Watkins—good old Bill was at Leavenworth—to the Club for cocktails, and most stayed for dinner. Afterwards, nothing would do but that we adjourn to the Schmidts'. Suffice it to say that our class reps did not distinguish themselves academically the next day! And all this after the Ryders had been up for the Infantry Ball the preceding weekend. Talk about hardship tours!

Had a pleasant lunch with Doc Charbonneau at Sill in Jan and learned that they've taken him away from the Visitor's Bureau and put him back to work—and that's all for Spring 1960.

Thanks, Tom, Wyley and Ec for your help in making this more than the usual minimum offering. Volunteers for the next issue are welcome. Just jot down a few items and send them to me when you receive this issue of ASSEMBLY. With the improved scheduling at Usmay, that'll be in time for me to include your contribution.

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## January 1943

You're no more surprised than I am by the authorship of this column. As stated in the last ASSEMBLY, it was assumed that the incumbent officers of the Washington Chapter would accept the mantle of responsibility as national officers of the class until the end of their normal term this summer. However, through a rather devious parliamentary maneuver accompanied by protestations of innocence from the incumbent officers, the following national officers were elected?? by the thirty-five classmates attending the annual January dinner dance at the Army-Navy Country Club: Jim Hackler—President, Bart Yount—Vice-President, John Mitchell—Treasurer, and yours truly, Bob Fiss, as the lucky Secretary.

In our state of mellow glow, we were accepting the congratulations of the assembled group before we realized that we'd been "had." Seriously, would appreciate hearing from any or all of you if we can assist you in any way as class representatives. For my part as author of this column, I'd like to second George Rebh's plea in the last ASSEMBLY for self-appointed switchboards in major centers world-wide and for direct contact by isolated classmates. We will attempt to set up a card file on all classmates as a

clearing house for information. Please include the Secretary (use my address) in making out your change of address cards. Incidentally, any column would be an anti-climax after the fine job done by George in the last ASSEMBLY, not to mention that of his predecessors.

We appreciated getting the word from class get-togethers in various parts of the world celebrating the anniversary of that memorable graduation day. Will we ever forget that weather during our June week in January? Our party here in Washington was a rousing success thanks to the efforts of prexy Bill Neale. Bill has the curse of husbands in this area, housemaid's knee, and therefore secured the services of the following bevy of beauties to assist him—the lucky dog: Dolly Neal, Kae Criss, Jo Hackler, Alice Frankosky and Virginia Fiss. The Washington wives have monthly luncheons and a strong organization led by Ginny Harrington as President and Kay Burlin as Secretary.

Les Harding writes of a gathering of the clan serving hardship tours in that garden spot of the Pacific, our 50th state. Attending at Schofield Barracks were Robin and Bob Baden, Gerry and Don Powell, Betty and Roy Wilson, Hannah and Ray Ruyffelaere, and Pat and Les Harding. Bob is with G-1, USARPAC; Roy with ASA; Don with the 35th Battle Group, 25th Division; Ray with G-4, USARPAC; and Les is Assistant District Engineer (Missiles Officer) with the Honolulu Engineer District. Just received a letter from Robin Baden complaining of the high rents, but admitting that gardenias and avocados in the backyard plus surfing at the beach provide some compensation. I wish we'd get a classmate in Artillery Officers Assignment Division so I could start working on him.

From the other side of the world came a welcome account of the Heidelberg hoedown by Mitch Goldenthal. His letter reads so well, I'll just quote it, especially since it's obvious I couldn't improve on the work of an Engineer and my instructor at Leavenworth.

"Heidelberg classmates held their annual get-together on Friday night the 22nd of Jan. Invitations had been sent to all known classmates on the continent—received many replies but few dared brave the wintry blasts and icy roads. Some sort of a prize should go to Bob and Marie Muldrow who also drove through the worst fog of the year to attend from Ramstein AF Base. Bob looked as fresh and young as ever, just like a twenty year old candidate for his wings and Marie looked like a TV beauty about to go before the cameras. The affair was held in the Patrick Henry Officers Club. Cocktails in the Copper Lounge and dinner, dancing and an excellent floor show in the main ballroom. Chuck Alfano, who is with Signal Corps Procurement in Frankfurt, promised to come but I guess his electronic gear got its wires crossed and he didn't show. Bill Pietsch called me just before the party and wished to be remembered to all. He has an important intelligence job in Berlin. We picked up Howard Wehrle, III, at the Bahnhof, fresh from Stuttgart. He was his gallant self, complete with a vigorous moustache and gold coat. He gave us the lowdown on the troops, from the vantage point of Seventh Army Headquarters. Bill and Peggy Myers came down from Mannheim.

We were still talking about the Army-Navy Game night. Too bad their super hospitality couldn't do something for the score. Our President, Bob Cook, in all his majesty was there. Unfortunately, Ruth was ill and could not attend. Bob's main concern for the evening was to appoint and anoint his successor. A fast selection was made, an election was consummated and before he knew it, Johnny McGowan was the unanimous selection of all who were still sober. Johnny still looks like the successful financier with his Brooks Brothers suits. Anise was as beautiful and vivacious as ever. Al and Fran Freer were unable to attend as Al's father was suddenly taken very ill and Al flew to CONUS on the day before the party. Ted and Muriel Ardery kept the party going. Ted's hairline is getting exceedingly hard to find but Muriel is looking more and more beautiful with each child. Number five just recently arrived. O yes, my wife and I also attended. I am getting older and fatter, but inspired by my classmates' champagne, I felt almost as good as new. Must confess that it is quite difficult to keep up with Helen in most everything including dancing and bridge. Al Saari was down from EUCOM Hq. in Paris two days before the party but couldn't stay. He would look young enough to be a plebe if he donned Cadet gray once again. He and Jackie are expecting their seventh soon. Spoke to Merle Carey recently. He is being re-assigned to Heidelberg very soon. We all owe Bob Cook a debt of gratitude for the excellent job he did as President this past year.

Received a reply to our invitation from Charlie Wirt. He and Yuta are once again at Leavenworth, this time as an instructor. One more short story—I was in Rome for a few days last month. Went into a Borsolino Hat shop to buy a hat. In the course of the conversation the proprietor boasted that he sold hats to officers all over the world. To prove his point he pulled out a letter from Bill Starnes. All of which proved, I guess, that it is a small world. All of the classmates here, Ardery, McGowan, Freer, Cook and myself (also Bill Myers) would appreciate seeing any classmates passing through or near Heidelberg. Drop one of us a line if you are being assigned over here in the future."

Orchids are in order for the classmates scheduled for attendance at Senior Service schools in 1960-61. Solving world-shaking problems at the National War College will be Frank Camm, Ted Seith, and "soon-to-be Colonel" Berenzweig. B-Wig is headed for Korea after the NWC, and we're trying to talk Priscilla into joining the Washington Chapter of the Lonesome Wives Club for the duration. Speaking of selections-to-Colonel, in mentioning those of our Army brethren on the recent colonels' list in the outstanding category, we failed to note in the column that Mac Hatch was so senior that he was in the middle of the group. Congrats to you, Mac, everyone is pleased. Associating with the tycoons at the Industrial College will be J. J. Shultz and Ed McCough.

The Army War College will be host to Ace Elliott returning from Europe, Tim Brown from England, Ed Bennett from Saudi Arabia, Doub Blue from Taiwan, Jack Armstrong from West Point, plus Sam Karrick and Jim Schofield from the Washington contingent. Must men-

tion the recent addition to Ace's family, a bouncing boy.

"Quin Goss and Jack Cutler will travel South to the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base. Joining them to present the infantryman's viewpoint will be George Maertens from Fort Leavenworth. They will be spoon-fed the Air Force line by Britt May, who is getting in practice by helping Mary Anne with their new daughter."

Assignments for classmates presently attending senior service schools will not be released until after the deadline for this issue but rumor has Joe Conmy joining the cloak and dagger boys in DA intelligence. Bill and Peggy Knowlton are off for Tunisia in about a year, Bill as a military attaché. Various courses in odd items and Arabic come first. The object of the exercise is to keep Africa in turmoil. They've never seen a unicycle. Indications point toward most of the others joining us here in the squirrel cage.

Cleamings from local informants: Bob Budlin is back in Greenland after giving the Air Force a hand as a troubleshooter on the construction of Atlas sites in Nebraska. Bob is due back in the Washington area this summer for duty with the Atomic Reactor Group at Ft. Belvoir. Bob Hillman is due back from Korea soon and will be assigned to HQ CINCLANT at Norfolk, Va. Stuart MacVeigh is scheduled for duty with the Chief of Engineers here in Washington after finishing the Associate Course at Ft Leavenworth. Wray Page leaves Armp Comptroller this summer to join a missile unit at Ft Bliss and then probably to Germany. Bob Davis is due to return from Thailand via Europe and pick up his family here enroute to an assignment with G-3, Hq Army Air Defense Command in Colorado Springs. Ted Lutrey leaves AF Legislative Liaison this summer tentatively alerted for Pacific Air Force (which seems to cover half the globe). Tony Antonioli is leaving the good life at USMAY for a second tour in Korea. Rumor has Hodge Kirby terminating his connection with Martin Company in Denver and returning to Little Rock to pursue a life-long ambition to study medicine.

I recently enjoyed the gentleman's course in atomics and guided missiles at Ft Bliss, Texas and was fortunate to have the services of fellow student, Jim Kelleher, as a guide to the mysteries of Juarez. We enjoyed the hospitality of Bob Blake and Pete Grimm who with Frank Kajencki are working with the Artillery Board on missile development. Al Toth is also stationed at Bliss and Herb Kemp was there for a course in missiles preparatory to joining a missile unit. Frank Shaw dropped in from Ft Riley to complain to the assignment people about his orders to Hawaii. Some people never get the word. On a recent trip to Leavenworth he saw George Maertens, John Shortall, Flip Fenili, John Nickel and Jack Russell (who has since departed for Ft Sill, Okla.

"Bish" and Dotty Bishop are new arrivals in this are from Shaw AFB, S.C. Bish is assigned to AF Operations. Brad and Millie Lundberg recently visited Mary D. and Bill Harnes in Washington. I believe that John Johnson is the first classmate to succumb to the blandishments of industry and take advantage of a 20 year retirement. He retired 29 Feb 60 from duty with Research and Develop-

ment, DA, to take a position with American Iron and Foundry in their Electronics Division here in the Washington area.

Mike Robinson guarantees that our class is going all-out to close the missile gap with Jim Dempsey (Convair), Jack Jones and Mike (both with North American) in guided missile manufacturing in Southern California. Mike and Fran ran into Jack and Dotty Smith at the AF Academy-UCLA football game last fall. A newspaper clipping reveals that Hoppo May represented the Nashville (Tenn) district engineer at a ceremony marking the occupancy of new Capehart housing at Ft Campbell, Ky.

Wendell Bevan proved the efficiency of the Air Force personnel system by providing a complete rundown on AF classmates. For this valiant effort, Jim Hackler and I have appointed Bev as Assistant Secretary for Air Force Affairs. On graduation, 166 noble souls joined the wild blue yonder to be augmented by 12 transfers at a later date and depleted by one defection to the ground-pounders. From this total of 177, there have been 70 losses, leaving 107 on active duty. Of these 107, 103 are rated and 4, non-rated. From stars to leaves, we have 1 Brigadier General, 50 Colonels, 43 Lieutenant Colonels, and 13 Majors. The losses include deceased—48, retired—7, resigned—13, and other—2. 19 of the deaths were KIA during WWII and most of the rest resulted from air crashes during and after WWII. The above statistics do not include Boone Seegers who went from Army to Air Force to Army before he was killed in Korea. Space prevents further elaboration, but I do hope to include names and locations in the next issue.

As a reminder—the next issue of the Register of Graduates will attempt to cover the period 1950-60 in place of the old Cullum's Register. Since we have too many classmates with blanks after their names in the Register, let's needle everyone we see to complete the form they send out.

The New York Area classmates gathered at Tom Mesereau's new restaurant "The Opera" in Englewood, New Jersey, for the annual reunion. Present with wives were Rebh, Greiss, J.J., Cobb and Kelleher from West Point, Cosgrove from Ft. Jay, Nygard from Ft. Wadsworth, Berry from Stewart AFB and Andrepont, Cucolo, Changaris, Upchurch and Lawrence from the New York Area. Tom's spread was fabulous. We cocktailed from 7:00 til 8:00 PM, with a magnificent dinner following. The table was decorated with mountains of fresh fruit, cheeses, flowers and statuary. It was really a wonderful evening in a manner that could only be done by Tom.

Best wishes,

—Bob Fiss

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Thanks to a couple of very newsy letters my task for this column will be light. From Germany, Arch Hemblen wrote a long letter from USMA, Bud Bolling did likewise. First from Arch's letter.

JOHN and GINNY BRIER (G2 Section, USAREUR) organized a get-together in their Heidelberg home in November. Among those corralled for champagne

## June '43 Get-Together in Heidelberg

were JESS and JANE FISHBACK (Engr Div, Hq USAREUR), JOCK and TERRY BARICKMAN (G 1 Div, Hq USAREUR), FRED and MARY PROCTOR (G 3 Sec, Hq Seventh Army), ED and ROSANNE KREML (G 1 Div, Hq USAREUR), and ARCH and RUNDY HAMBLÉN (SGS, Hq Seventh Army).

At the party, from sources usually known to be unreliable, I learned that MARK COLE is working for Howard Hughes in Los Angeles in jet aircraft engineering. Mark and Eve live at 7857 Yorktown Ave, Los Angeles 40, Calif., with their three boys. Mark's an Air Force Reserve officer whose last two-week active duty was spent at Vandenberg AFB.

BOBBY GRIFFIN and ED BLOUNT are attending USC with the Blounts living near the Coles. John Brier says that BRUCE MAC DOWELL is transferring from his G4 SETAF job in Italy to the NATO Advanced Weapons Div in USAREUR Hq early in 1960.

GEORGE MOE, who is attending the German Army Staff School, brought his family through Heidelberg enroute to Berchtesgaden over the Christmas holidays. They had chow with the Fishbacks and stayed in Jock and Terry Barickmans' quarters for overnight stops going to and from Berchtesgaden, while the Barickmans were skiing in France with Terry's family. The Moes skied too; their young Robert—age 6½, broke his leg. George and Eleanor were happy to be speaking English again. Their younger kids go to a German school, the oldest girl attends the International School run by the British, and George is learning French in German while attending the German Staff College.

JIM and DOTTIE LATHROP are in Orleans, France, where Jim is with the COMZ Ordnance Section. Jock saw Jim recently while Jim was in Heidelberg attending a conference.

A run-down on those currently drawing pay in Germany reveals the following: HAL DUNWOODY, Chief G 3 Plans, Hq Seventh Army (Stuttgart); GEORGE CANTLAY recently moved from commanding the 2nd Med Tank Bn, 1st Cav, 3 Armored Div to the G 1 Div in USAREUR; JOE WEYRICK commands the 1st Rocket How Bn, 28th Arty, 8th Inf Div; AUSTIN CANNING instructs at the Seventh Army Weapons Assembly School at Pirmasens; JIM GLENDENNING is with Hq 1st Airborne Battle Group, 505th Inf, 8th Inf Div; MAX TALBOT is assigned to 2d How Bn, 75th Arty; BILL DE BROCKE is S 4, 2d Battle Group, 4th Inf, 3rd Inf Div; CLARENCE WESTFALL is S 3, 1st Battle Group, 19th Inf, 24th Inf Div—during the large Seventh Army winter maneuver in the Grafenwoehr—Holenfels Training Area in February, I spent a morning peering over Westy's shoulder as he made plans for the employment of his battle group in the deep snow. He states that he and Helen Louise and their three daughters are living mighty well in Augsburg.

Christmas cards from here and there reveal that JIM and BEA NASH are still in Izmir, Turkey; DICK and MARION McCORD are back in Bethesda, Md, after Dick's civilian job "required" them to spend six happy months in Hawaii; HANK and BETSY ROMANEK returned from Goose Bay, Laborador, in January to attend AFSC. FRANK and JUDY RHEA



Couples from left to right: Arch and Rundy Hamblen, Fred and Mary Proctor, Ed and Rosanne Kreml, John and Maggie Carpenter ('42), Jock and Terry Barickman, Jess and Jane Fishback, John and Ginny Brier.

and their five young ones are still in Camp Zama, Japan, where "Snuffy" is with the Office of the Engineer. They return to the states in the summer of 60. He says that Korea now supports JIM BETTS, FRANK DIRKES, and BOB MATHE. BOB and BEV McCANNA, Quarters 8688, Ft. Lewis, Wash, sent their usual fine Christmas description of the year's activities this time describing their final happy days in Japan before settling down to stateside living again.

JOHN and PAT BYERS spent the holidays with the FARLEYS at Carlisle, Pa. CLAIRE is to take over my old job, the West Point desk in DCSOPS, after he completes War College this summer. HARVEY and SKIPPY SHORT leave the S&F, Leavenworth, to go to England this summer where Harv will be liaison officer to the British Staff College.

PEGGY MAGATHAN, as usual, sent the most original Christmas card the Hamblens received. On their card she had sketched each member of their family, and besides WALLY and PEGGY, that means two boys and five girls. Wally will complete his PhD at Princeton in June and then heads for the Pentagon.

In his card to FRED PROCTOR, DOC REINHALTER (21 Norton St, Braintree, Mass) asks Fred to buy him a Mercedes. Doc and Kathleen made it to West Point for the homecoming game.

In January, Fred and Mary Proctor visited CHARLIE and RACHEL REED in Karlsruhe where Charlie is now CO of the 77th Engr Bn. Charlie came to Germany this past summer after four years ROTC duty in New York City. His battalion includes one American and three European companies.

JESS FISHBACK passed on to me a quick review of seasons greetings from classmates: JOHN and WANDA BELL wrote from CONARC where they are looking forward to an assignment in Germany next summer. John hopes to get a battalion in Seventh Army. ROLLO and JAN BRANDT are enjoying the hunting and fishing at Ft Richardson, Alaska, where Rollo is assigned to the Alaskan Engineering District. Rollo will send a picture of himself standing by his sporty new airplane to any who request it.

BILL and DICKIE GREENWALT, at the AWC, have had their hands full. Dickie proudly presented Bill with another boy—later she had a close call with an emergency operation at Walter Reed. Fortunately all are doing well now. WALT and IYLLIS HUTCHIN, 428 Crescent, Walla Walla, Wash., miss seeing many classmates but are enjoying life in the Engineer District there. EDDIE and HELEN McCABE are also with the US Engr Dist in Anchorage, Alaska. Helen says she has had trouble getting used to the short days—had dinner ready for the girls long before they came home from school a couple of times. DOUG and MARILYN PARHAM sent a Christmas card showing Santa beating on a bongo drum suggesting that Christmas in Puerto Rico is somewhat different—Doug is in the Area Engr Dist Office. WARREN and NANCY ROGERS are still enjoying beautiful Carmel valley with Warren doing duty at Fort Ord. CLARK and BETTY BALDWIN are in Berlin where Clark is still doing liaison work with the Russians."

Well, so much for the news from Arch. Now all I have to do is crib the rest of the column from Bud Bolling. From the Hudson Valley, Bud writes:

"As you probably know, the USMAY group is dwindling in size, probably because we are too old to be Tacs and too young to run the place. There are but nine of us aboard, three of whom are with the Dept of Military Art and Engineering. These are TANSEY, FALCK, and PHERSON. Norm Pherson is the Executive Officer and carries the title of Associate Professor. Ted Tansey and Bill Falck are assistant professors teaching the finer points of warfare to the first classmen. GEORGE ALEXANDER is teaching with the Dept of Physics and Chemistry. Over in the Tac Dept, there are STAN OTT, RALPH YOUNG, and ED GEANEY. Stan, in his first year at West Point, is running a company. Ralph is wheeling and dealing as the S 1, handling all the multifold personnel problems of the Corps. And Ed is with the Tac Department's Office of Military Psychology and Leadership.

"The other two are DON SPIECE and

I. Don is chief of the Arty Section with the 1st Battle Group and is responsible for arty training of the cadets. I am chief of the relatively new Admissions Division, a section of the Supe's staff that handles the prospective candidate aspect of the Corps.

"I presume that you have heard that CALEB COLE, having completed the short course at Leavenworth, is now at the Language School preparing himself for an attaché tour in Lebanon."

So ends Bud Bolling's note. Now for a few notes of my own. TOMMY TOMLINSON, now a student in Personnel Management at the Univ of Alabama; DUANE TENNEY was up from CONARC for a Combat Surveil Conference: BILL BIBBY, finishing 4 years with the Comptroller in DA is off for the CARIB; ED O'CONNOR is now in DCSMAT Airforce Hq; BILL CALNAN finishing Georgetown U will be off for USA Elem Hq EUCOM in May; ED CLEARY is assigned to the Embassy Ankara, Turkey, as Asst MA in June; R. C. MOZINGO has reported for duty in CARROTC; LES HARDY will be leaving CGSC this summer for Korea; JACK MORRIS will leave the Office of the Ch of Engrs for the same place; GEORGE BETTS will depart OTIG for Germany in August; GEORGE BUGG is now asgd to ACSI and BILL PEAK is scheduled to leave ACSI for Korea; HAL DUNWOODY will leave USAREUR this summer to attend the National War College; JUG YOUNG will leave CDEC in Calif to attend the Industrial College of the Armed Forces next fall; next year's students at the Army War College will include DON SPEICE, EDUARDO SOLER, C. M. JONES, JR, GEORGE NEWMAN, GORDON SCHRAEDER and BILL DEEKLE; JOHN BOND will attend the Air War College and DANNY CULLINANE will attend the AFSC; RIP COLLINS and JIM CAIN are students at Syracuse learning how to be comptrollers; JOHN VORDERMARK is finishing his third year in missiles in DCSLOG and is due to stay for a fourth; HAL AARON has reported for duty in Special Warfare Div of DCSOPS after his course at Georgetown; ERNIE BUZALAKI has been asgd as CO of the 169th Engr (Const) Bn at Camp Stewart after duty with the North Atlantic Div C E; GEORGE CAMPBELL leaves ACSI this summer to take command of a Nike Bn in Weisbaden.

That's about all for this time. Don't forget to write to me and let me know your new address when you change station this summer.

-William F. Malone  
Major Artillery  
5203 Milland Street  
Springfield, Virginia

## 1944

With snow on the ground prohibiting an afternoon of golf in the sunny south, the Olympics on television and an hour or so before time for the last mail I have no choice but to gather together letters from here and there to see what has been going on around the world with '44.

With Headquarters of U.S. Army in Europe are Art Hyman, Jack Elliot and Armand DiSilvio. Art is in G1 War Plans, Jack with NATO Advance Weapons and Armand with G2. Also Tom McGuire with

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G3. John Moore is just up the road a piece with Hq. of the Air Force. John Sullivan is aide to Gen. Palmer at EUCOM and de la Mater is presently assigned to SHAPE. All these have gotten together recently for short visits. In Europe also are George and Betty Wear while George is at SETAF in Verona. Aside from his work with G1, Art is keeping his figure with handball and also going to night school studying German in anticipation of serving later with a German parachute unit.

Dave Zillmer is now in Hamburg attending the German C&GS School. Can be reached care of U.S. Consulate, APO 69; there are no other classmates nearabouts. However, still in Europe (Germany) are Anne and Ollie Patton, having moved from Heidelberg to Erlangen a year ago. Ollie has been getting his share of troop duty this winter and in general earning his pay. Wish he'd come home and do some of the keeping up with the class he left with us three years ago. John and Gretl Donaldson are coming home from Paris early this summer as John will start at the War College in Norfolk in July. On the other side of the world at Schofield Barracks are Les Halstead, Vitullo and McGlothlin (APO 957).

Around the country some are moving on for new fields to conquer and others are still doing business at the same old stand: Bill and Maggie Steger at Warren AFB in Cheyenne; Fred and Kitty Smith at the Pentagon (R&D); Ted and Betty Altier in Rochester, N.Y.; Kern and Ginks Pitts at West Point where Kern finally paid his Association dues, partly from prodding and partly because he's now a trustee; Red and Sugar Aldrich in Rochester, Mich.; Greg and Barbara Gregory still working in Cincinnati, living in Wyoming, Ohio; Sam and Barbara Hesse still in San Angelo and Charles Daniel and Jack Hennessy winding up their stay at Carlisle Barracks. Dave and B.J. Silver finishing up on the West coast where Dave has been getting educated and will probably be in Washington in some capacity along about June or July. Wolf and Suzie Wolfinger are at Benning where Wolf is with the Weapons Dept. No one else at Benning, from '44, that is. Larkin Tully is at Ft. Campbell, Ky., and looked young and chipper as ever when I ran into him a couple of months ago in Nashville.

Tom and Anne Phillips have moved to Memphis to make their home here. Tom is in the securities and investment business and with their two young sons the Phillips have settled down to the joys of permanent assignment living.

Joe and Geneie Hale have joined forces in the Boston area with George Hayman and Jim Cumberpatch. Joe, late last summer, left California and is at MIT doing work in Astronautics. Will be there for another couple of years but seems to be well set up and enjoying life in a country home. George is in his second year at Harvard in Business Administration and Jim C. is at MIT as a Sloan Fellow in Industrial Management. Back at Ballistics Missiles Division in L. A. the Hales left Lewis Norman, Tom Mahoney, Bob Brundin, Bob Reagan, Leo Hinkley, Les Salzer, Bob Callan, Dick Fowler, Dick Dennen and Bob Bright.

Things around Washington are going full blast these days with new assignments and new arrivals along with quite a

few class activities, parties, lunches, etc. Nels Parsons, Bob Rodden, Lee Smith with many others and wives are keeping things humming.

Bachelor Jim Connell has left his happy hunting grounds in D.C. and is now at Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk and in July will probably head overseas for a while. Bob and Jean Dart left for Germany during the winter but I don't know the new assignment or location. Harry Buzzett is with Air Defense Board at Ft. Bliss. Bud Partridge doing PMS&T at VPI.

Doug and Mae Harris now in Washington from Taiwan; Bob and Evelyn Selton from Eniwitok and Dave and Polly Henderson from 'sommers. Hugh and Dot Snelling in from Iceland and George Blanchard due at National War College soon—first of our group I think. Charlie Steel, Jerry Capka and Doug Kinnard due at Army War College this year. Hardrock Staster is now in the Pentagon in CINFO after getting his master's degree in public relations from Univ. of Wisconsin.

New children have come to the Wes Browns, the Lee Smiths and the George Hoffmans.

Here are notes of activities and whereabouts at random: Lee Smith is in War Plans now after over a year as Secretary to Chief of Staff, AF, for JCS and is working Advance Weapons and Astronautics—close enough to Bass Hanley, Bob Royem and Chuck Czapar for coffee breaks together. Ken Cooper, with ARPA, is also near at hand. Beef Courtney with AFOMO and Gordie Burwell with Procurement in the Pentagon. Also around are Ace Edmunds, a speech writer deluxe, Bob Ginsburgh with Chief of Staff, USAF, Bill Fullilove with J-1, JCS, John Calhoun with AEC and Tom Hoxie with OSD.

Martin McCoy has his master's degree now and is presently assigned to combat operations center, Hq. USAF. Roy and Sylvia Bahls now in England where Roy is on RAF exchange. Ed Stahl still at March AFB, Calif. Jim Dunham resigned recently and is with a research firm in Washington. Tom McElvey at Andrews AFB, Bill Bingham in Alaska with Hq., AAC, Steffes at Air War College, W.P. Anderson with Steffes, and Susott is operations officer of a training group at Waco, Texas. Bob Morrison is commanding the Air Force Academy Flight Squadron.

Betty Gamble and children are with Betty's parents now, 209 W. Asher, Culpepper, Virginia.

That's about it—write in your news to me or to Box 44, West Point.

-Buford Norman  
2991 Iroquois Rd.  
Memphis 11, Tennessee

## 1945

Plans for the BIG Fifteenth Reunion are progressing nicely, thanks to the efforts of the Committee. Present estimates place the total attendance at about the 200 mark (including wives, et al) and the Committee is planning for that figure.

The schedule of events which the Class will attend as a group stack up about as follows:

Saturday Evening (4 June): Class of '45 buffet.

*Sunday Evening* (5 June): Alumni Dinner-Dance.

*Monday Noon* (6 June): Alumni Luncheon (stag).

*Monday Noon* (6 June): '45 Ladies Luncheon.

*Monday Afternoon* (6 June): Class Picnic.

*Tuesday Evening* (7 June): '45 Dinner-Dance.

The second circular to all classmates will be in the mails well before this column comes to you, but certainly if you find it possible to attend, and had not previously so-indicated, drop any of us a line at once. This can only be a first rate affair if YOU are there with us.

Column contributions have become sporadic again, but this invariably occurs when the orders appear for mid-summer station changes. We need to hear from you, and Orv Post, who will inherit the column beginning with the next issue, wants the news of your activities. He's available at Qtrs 155, USMA, so do drop him a line.

And so to the Class news. MISCELLANY: Earl Wilkinson reports from Topeka that he is scheduled to attend the Army's CGSC at Leavenworth in September 60 as an Air Force officer. Bart Kerr was retired for physical disability in July 1959 and is now with Page Communications Engineers Inc. located in DC. Bart lives in McLean, Va.

Larry Fox, writing from Aptos, Calif, allows as how he is on orders to join the 101st Airborne Div in July 60. Jim Bowman, still at Ft. Bragg, is assigned to the G3 Section of the XVIII Airborne Corps.

J. J. McDonald (Denver) recently welcomed Patricia Maureen (bringing the McDonald head count to six including five daughters and a son). Our congratulations. As this column wears on you'll discover that many new additions have appeared on the scene. Quent LaPrad, for instance, reports a second girl—Michele Marie—born in August of 59, bringing the total to five youngsters.

John and Lolly Carley recently returned Stateside, to attend the AFSC at Norfolk. Art Doyle, on the other hand, is presently completing the Associate Course at Leavenworth and will head for Europe in May. Joe O'Neal reports from Port Au Prince, Haiti, where he was assigned as operations advisor to the Haitian Air Force effective last November.

Tom Maertens, a real homesteader in Washington after a total of six years, writes that he was selected to attend the U of Alabama to study personnel Administration, but a cut in funds put him on ice temporarily. He hopes the wait won't be too long. Andy Gatsis, also in Washington, will attend AFSC in Norfolk.

Tom Devlin is presently in Bellevue, Wash, employed as a research engineer with the Boeing Aircraft Co. Jack Beezley, now attending the AC & SC at Maxwell, identifies other classmates there as Nash, Curtis, Brewer, Gandy, Farr, Rochefort, Rouch, Stick, Bruton, Hayes, and Crane.

Chuck Seeger, stationed at that "other" place near Colorado Springs, says the classmates there include Marvin, Lilley, Ludlow, Manlove, Basham, Wildman, Valpey; and in Denver there is Gatlin and Hollis.

Louis Gingras and Miss Harriet Rosser

will be married at West Point during June Week, the date being 4 June, and the place the Cadet Chapel. Our congratulations.

Andy Favret took a Civil Service job in October 59 as senior scientific advisor to the Chief of Staff for Intelligence in DA. Andy now has six children, a girl finally after five boys. Good work, lad.

Ira Hunt, recently back from Korea, is now assigned in DC with Office of Chief of Engineers. Rock McBride, now overseas, is proud of a new daughter, Nancy Elizabeth, born in December 1959. Kris Kristoferson writes from Denmark, where he has only recently begun a NATO staff assignment which will last for two years. Bill Barnes, fresh from the AFSC at Norfolk is already in Europe with Jo and the kids.

Dick Moore, an Airforce type, identifies the classmates at Inglewood, Calif (Ballistic Missile Division) as Lochry, Coffey, Ralph Ford, Ledford, Richards, and Protsman.

Jim Mueller, presently in Costa Rica, writes that No. 8 is on the way. He says the headcount includes five prospective Plebes, and two drags, and he asks just who is setting this rapid pace. Frank and Louise Mehner bring the record up to date by identifying their three youngsters as Linda, Drew, and Glenn (8, 5, and 2 years respectively). Frank is presently at Leavenworth.

Hap Adams, unavailable for the Reunion, is pulling a hardship tour on Dewline construction at Baffin Island. His wife and kids are in Virginia, and Hap plans to return to the States in August 1960. Les Ayers, still with the AEC in San Francisco, sees Mel Price often, and Mel by this time is the proud father of his fourth child.

Pat Callahan, reporting on his and Vera's activities, says they have been married for six years, have three youngsters ranging from four years to one year. Pat is also pulling a hardship tour. Pinkey writes from Europe (23d Engr Bn) and says he saw Mo Wright and Del Fowler in Stuttgart in December. Mo is with Engineer Section, Seventh Army, and Del is Exec, 3d Engineers.

Ted Adair, still in New York, welcomed Christine Marie last August. She brings the Adair household up to five children. Joe Berg lists his address as Park Forest, Ill, where he is assigned as Nuclear Effects Engineer of the Quartermaster Food & Container Institute of Chicago (and that is a title). Glad to hear from you Joe.

John Tomlinson requests to be mentioned in the column—says he is located in Pittsburgh, just off Route 51 in Whitehall. He invites all Classmates to stop in for an overnight stay. Hap Macintire is wrestling with Georgia Tech professors, but he is in good company, including Laird Woolley, Dave Fink and "Mac" McDaniel.

Al Thompson (Air Force) writes that he just started the guided missile program at the Univ of Michigan, and he says that after 14 years out of school it is pretty rough. Of course, his five kids are quite a help during the evening study sessions.

Bill Norris is presently in Washington going to school in preparation for an assignment in Israel as Assistant Army Attache. He will head for the Near East in the Fall. Faye Worthington checks in

from Vietnam, where he recently arrived, and says Yole and the kids are staying in Seattle.

Bob Lindsey, writing from the Office of the Air Attaché, APO 794, NY, says that Bill Moran is stationed in Bern, Switzerland. Lindsey saw him in the course of some sort of "Annual Swiss Ski School". Sounds like a good lick!

Jim O'Brien, recently departed from Washington, is now in Korea. His first boy, James III, was born in July 1959. Jim and Lillian Elkey, with 18th Artillery in Europe, are coming home in July, and we believe they are headed for Norfolk. Bill Vinson, also in Europe as SGS, Hq USAREUR, welcomed a new son in October 59. Name: Thomas Jay Vinson. John and Marion Myron are also proud parents, this time a son, born in December, and their fourth child. Jim Herbert, writing from Norfolk, also identifies a new offspring, Elizabeth, born in September. The Herbert headcount is now established at four.

DeKay writes from the Berlin Command (APO 742) and says he arrived in August 59 and hopes to stay a long time. Also a note from an old roommate, Karl Liewer, presently at Fort Sill. Seems our paths never do cross, Karl.

Charles Dubsky is with J-3 Division, EUCOM, APO 128, and says life in Versailles, France is quite a departure from that of the USA.

Woody Carter, also in Europe (USA Area Support Comp., APO 757) was a new father (a year ago) when Thomas arrived as the third son of five children.

Cavanna checks in from Ft. Bliss (Air Defense Board), and Jack Harmeling (Univ of Arizona) writes that he and Cliff White are still students there. Howie Baldwin also at the school as the Director of University Applied Research Laboratory.

We note with pleasure that Vernon Newman, JAGC, will join us here at USMA this summer, presumably as a legal eagle in the Law Dept. Others are doubtless coming in, and will be reported on subsequently.

A fine letter received from Hugh Oppenheimer, presently at the Univ of Southern California; his is the kind we really like to get because he gives a good capsule. He is studying for his PhD in Communications, and expects to complete the requirements sometime this summer. Hugh, his wife Terry, and two boys, have enjoyed California immensely.

We have gleaned from orders that the following will report to Leavenworth for the long course 60-61: George Daoust from Office of Secretary of the Army; Steve Day from USMA; Jim Holcomb from Ft. Sill; Marvin Price from Livermore, Calif.; George Withey from MDW, DC.

Also we note that the next Norfolk class will include Charles Gorder (from MAAG Spain); Jim Elkey, already mentioned; Bill Wolfe (from USMA); Buzz Sawyer (from DA); John Neff (from DA); Bill Perry (from USAREUR); and Richard Williams (also from Europe).

And so we have mentioned some names. We hope if yours wasn't among them, you'll give us the word. Our column deadline is the first of March. June, September, and December respectively, which gives you an idea of lead time in these entries. This column has included a complete screening of all replies to the

last class circular, insofar as space would permit. But please remember, we do want letters above all.

We close on a sad note, as sometimes we must, in reporting the death of Paul Ugis. We suspect that most Classmates knew him and will experience a real loss at his passing. The funeral took place in late February in New York, and interment was in Arlington.

All for now.

—W. F. Boiler  
Major  
IO, USMA

## 1946

From our Leavenworth reporter, Dick Bresnahan, comes the following news items. Bob Rheault reports that Bill Simpson is currently serving as S-3 of the 10th Special Services Group in Bad Tolz, Germany. He is enjoying the assignment a great deal. Bob Phillips reports, after several years, that his family status consists of a son Gregory, born in 1950, and a daughter Julie, born in 1955 while on ROTC duty at the University of Wisconsin. Ed Weber spent three weeks in June with Pat and their four children visiting the sights of Paris prior to reporting here for the course. He also mentions Ray Orth, who is still single and working in Los Angeles with the Space Technology Labs. Al Torgerson volunteered the information that son Tommy, number four, was born here in March of 1959. He also mentioned Bob Collar, Dick Pitzer, Earl Markle, and Walt Eanes, who are all with the Westinghouse Corp. in Pittsburgh. Joe Park came here from an ROTC tour at the Univ. of Maine. He mentions his wife, Ginney, and daughters Julie 6, Winnfred 5, Christian 4, and Barbara 1. Bob Key mentions two classmates who are active in political circles. They are Harley Venters, who was last heard from as a state legislator in Carter County, Okla., and Warren Hearnese, who is a member of the Missouri State Legislature and currently a

candidate for the Missouri Secretary of State. Steve Edwards announces a recent birth of another (the third) son, John Robert, on 1 Oct. 59. Roy and Jane Simkins completed a 7,000-mile camping trip with son Roy, traveling from coast to coast prior to arriving here last Summer. They camped with Ralph and Joy and Steve Starner in the Black Hills.

New Arrivals: Ann and Hap Hazzard announce the birth of son Thomas A. born on 21 Jan. 60. He checked in at 3 lbs-15 oz., but has inherited his father's appetite so is gaining steadily. Another godson named Timothy, alias Tiny Tim, was born last Fall; the lucky parents are Bud and Mary Devens who say their son is destined for All American honors on the 1979 USMA football team.

In a serious vein, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Blazina were at West Point for the Catholic Chapel dedication in September. Phil and Vinny Farris entertained them at home for a short visit. The Blazinas have donated a window in the newly expanded Holy Trinity Chapel in memory of son Tom. It is consoling to them knowing that occasionally Tom's classmates will stop by the Chapel to see this lasting memorial.

By the way, Phil Farris has some extra copies of a roster listing the names of 46'ers at USMA, with wives and children listed, as well as a list of classmates living in the New York City and suburban areas. Anyone wanting a copy should drop a note to Major Phil Farris, Information Office, West Point.

To reminisce a bit, lets go back to last October when an after game party was held at the Roosevelt Hotel in NYC. The game was against the Air Force and the party hosts were Jack Schramm and Paul Horowitz. Quite a few classmates were on hand. Among the Air Force members were Jerry Naleid and Guy Hairston. Charlie Hall, one of our Army members presently stationed at The Air Force Academy, was also on hand. A few of our civilian classmates there include John Stratis, Tom Hirshberg and Al

Wheat. From the Pentagon, Rocco Patrone and his wife. The list is far from complete, but as Phil Farris says, his memory gets hazy after a few of the bartenders well dispensed spirits. All present wish to thank the Schramms and the Horowitzes for a most enjoyable occasion.

Sam Title, 111 Pearl Street, Hartford 3, Conn. wrote to inform us that his wife Sally had a baby girl, Diane Ethel, born on 17 Dec. 59. This is their second child, the first being a boy age 3. Sam says there is nothing new, he's just plugging along selling insurance. They plan to start building a new house this Spring, so I would say things are going along well for the Titles. Sam is no longer Ass't G-3 of the 76th Inf. Div. (Res) as he now goes to C&GSC in Hartford. Among others working for the same firm as Sam (National Life Ins. Co.) are Tom McNeil ('45) in Dallas and Tom Dillon's father in Atlanta.

Correction Notice: My lead off item for the Winter 1960 issue of "Assembly" contained an error. Sewell Elliot did not attend Stan Love's wedding. Stan's letter telling me this came a day or two too late for retraction.

Ernie Pepin, back from a three year tour of duty with the Office of the Comptroller, Hq., USAREUR, resigned his commission and, together with his wife, Priscilla, and daughters, Faith and Amy, is now settled in his home town, Norwich, Conn. Ernie is Controller of the Atlantic Carton Corp. there.

Lt. Col. Wesley W. Posvar is a professor and the head of the political science department at the Air Force Academy. According to the newspaper article this item was extracted from, he is the youngest full professor ever assigned to a service academy—at thirty-two. Do you agree Amos? Thinking of politics reminds me that I (Sam France) was just this past week (end of Feb.) elected President of the Verona Republican Club.

B. R. McBride has just announced the birth of a daughter, Nancy, on 11 Feb. 60. After four boys, Mac and Janet are very happy for the change. Mac is now stationed with Hqs., 9th AF, Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, S.C.

Ray McCullen, who has been out of the service since 1950, except for a 19 months tour during the Korean conflict, has written to bring us up to date on his whereabouts. Ray and his wife Doris have three children, two girls and a boy. He is associated with Deposit Guaranty Bank & Trust Company, Jackson, Miss., in the capacity of Vice President.

From Inglewood, Calif., comes word of John C. Fischer. John is serving there as chief of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency Field Office with the Air Force Ballistic Missile Division. This agency is an element of the Army Ordnance Missile Command with HQ at Redstone Arsenal. Fischer was formerly a missile support staff officer in Germany. John studied electrical engineering at MIT.

Reuben Pomerantz has been named Acting Scientific Director for Research and Development at the U.S. Army Quartermaster Research & Engineering Center Labs, Natick, Mass. He, his wife Harriet and their daughter Debra Lynn age 2 reside at 11 Sandra Drive, Framingham, Mass. Reuben has a B.S. in Chemistry from Trinity College (1943), an M.S.



46ers at West Point met at the Officers' Club in January for their monthly luncheon. Although several classmates were missing when the picture was taken, attendance at these informal meetings is usually high. **Standing**, left to right: Terrell, Schulke, Sterling, Wieringa, Bolz, Blazey, and Tixier. **Sitting**, clockwise left to right on outside of horseshoe: Devens, Van Baker, Whitener, Schug, Shattuck, Burnell, Sandoval, Friend, Ellis, Farris, Stannard, Beasley, Smith, and Fink. **Sitting**, clockwise left to right on inside of horseshoe: Albright, de Moya, Walker, Richmond, Ochs, Hagedon, Tuck, and Hutchinson.

in Food Technology from MIT and has attended the Infantry School, Quartermaster School and Command & General Staff School. In addition, he has served for three years in the Panama Canal Zone, in 1953 he was appointed Radiation Preservation Officer, QM Food & Container Institute, Chicago, in 1956 he was named Technical Director and Deputy Commander of the QM Radiation Planning Agency in Washington, he is a member of the American Chemical Society and the Institute of Food Technologists and he has had numerous articles published on radiation preservation of foods.

It is rare to get much information on x'46ers, but that is what I have on one member anyway. John M. Bodley, who was with us until 1945, has joined Aerojet-General Corp. as a special assistant to the President and the General Manager. He will work in Sacramento. John has been legal aide to two AEC commissioners and trial attorney for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. John is a 1951 law graduate of Vanderbilt Univ., where he also received his bachelor's degree. From 1945 to 1947 he was an Army Infantry officer.

Here's a rundown on the doings of Art and Copie Pence. Their present address is: 112 3rd In. Rd., Fort Leavenworth. After graduation, Branch Immaterial Course and Branch Course at Fort Benning, Art and Copie (the former Jane Cope) were married. Next came Airborne Course, followed by a tour with the 11th Airborne in Sendai, Japan. Copie, however, had to wait a while before going over. When she arrived the Pences set up house in Tagojo. In Feb. 1949 the 11th and the Pences went to Fort Campbell. Their first child, Christine, was born in Japan. Their second child, Constance, was born at Campbell. In Dec. 1951 Art went to Korea serving with the 2d Inf. Div's 23rd Inf. Regt until Jan. 1953. Next came Benning with the 508th RCT (Abn), followed by attending the Advanced Course. 1954 saw the Pences on ROTC duty with Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, N.J., which is Copie's home state. During their three year stay there they had two more offspring—Catherine and Arthur W. III. Quickly followed a tour with the 82d Abn Div, Fort Bragg, one year as Asst G-1 and one year as Asst Chief of Staff. That brings us up to date at the Inf. College. This past Summer they toured Canada, visited New Jersey and were in Bermuda for ten days. While in Bermuda Art tried his hand at sailing and was becalmed in a garbage scow sans motor. The British Navy came to the rescue hauling them back to port and all the time making snide comments about stupid blokes who go out to the bloody sea without knowing what they were doing.

Madison, Wisconsin. . . . Attending the school of journalism at the University of Wisconsin are Dave Peters and eight other Army Officers. Dave expects to be there until Jan. 1961. As an added note, Bill Stroud finished up this past Jan '60. Dave and Joan with their three children Lauren, David and Diane are enjoying themselves in the spread of a four bedroom-two bath house. After Dave's graduation from the regular course at Leavenworth, he started the Nuclear Weapons

Employment Course. On June 23rd, at Leavenworth, Diane was born. Dave's father is staying with them and is a big help working around the house. Dave's sister Ione had a boy, Kevin Merritt Akana, born 12 Oct. 59, the day before the senior Mr. Peters celebrated his 72nd birthday. The family called all the way from Honolulu to announce the news.

As with the Peters, the following information was received in the Xmas Card mail. Danny and Marty Colladay along with their daughter Carrie have just finished their first year at Omaha, Neb. The Colladays have learned, among other things, that fencing in children just doesn't work out the way you expect. They were lucky, because Danny's 86 year old grandfather came to rescue last Summer. He helped the entire neighborhood so much that when he left they all pitched in and gave him a present. With some friends the Calladays purchased a motor boat, a sandy beach lot on a lake and a 2 room small Summer cottage that had to be moved to the lot. It was a little late to enjoy last Summer, but they look forward to a real workout fixing it up this Summer. Best of luck to you all.

Another Xmas message from the Parmlys finds them with their fifth child born 18 Dec. 59. He is a son David Whitney. After the USACGSC Course they took a twenty day trip, which included Cuba, before reporting to the 77th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg. Their address is 252 Spear Drive. In Cuba they met and introduced themselves to all Marie's Guitierrez relations in Havana and Matanzas. A day in Varadero found them seeing many of Castro's "Barbudos". Lee's first assignment was as Exec to Lt. Col. Smith in FC-1 where he learned the guerrilla warfare racket, attending the Unconventional Warfare School concurrently. In Nov '59 he took command of FB-1. Since the Parmlys may soon be on the move again, they can always be reached via Lee's Dad at 414 Valley Road, Bridgeport 4, Conn., c/o Col. and Mrs. Eleazar Parmly III (USA Ret).

—Samuel E. H. France

3 Spruce Lane, Verona, N.J.

## 1947

Christmas cards received at West Point helped to fill in the column news with the following gleaned info: Ike and Ruth Snyder are now in Orleans, France (since Sept. 59). They have good quarters and like it there very much. . . . Jo and John Hoover are in Karlsruhe, Germany where John is S-3 of the 516th Sig Gp, APO 164, NY, NY. . . . Anne and Buster Little with 10th Special Forces Group, APO 108 see Harry Ball every once in a while at Oberammergau. Also Doc Blanchard spent the night with the Littles when he attended a two week course at the Intelligence School. Buster is due to come home this Summer. . . Tom and Jackie Hayes are moving back to Phila. from L.A. to a new home at 625 Baron De Kalb Rd., Wayne, Pa. . . . Bill and Marge Henry have moved to 8104 Strong Drive SE, Huntsville, Ala. where Bill is District Manager for General Electric Defense Systems. . . . June and Ray Hails in Manchester, Conn. . . . Pat

and Dick Dunlap in ROTC duty Univ. of Missouri at Columbia, Mo. . . . Tom and Gibby Perkins in ROTC duty at Univ of Alabama at Florence, Ala. . . . Bob and Lenore Curtis are at 1242 East Speedway, Tucson, Arizona where Bob is taking Nuclear Engineering at U. of Arizona (Hope to see you this Summer, Bob). . . Willis and Dorothy Knipe are having a very interesting tour in Moscow.

Army Times announces that Hank Emerson will attend the Armed Forces Staff College. . . . Al Van Pettan and his wife Billie, with new 9 month old son are moving to Oklahoma City near Tinker AFB where he will be a Field Engineer for Dynamic Electronics, Inc. installing ground radar for GEEIA, an Air Force Agency. . . . Col. N. B. Wilson, Secretary of the Association of Graduates, wrote Frank Boerger a letter re an organized program for the education of children of deceased members. Apparently some classes are arranging and conducting such a program. Our class as yet has no such program. However, Col. Wilson gave the info that Bulletin No. 9, Dept of Army, 6 August 1956; Sect 1 quotes Public Law 634, 84th Congress, "War Orphans Educational Assistance Act of 1956." That law imposes upon the Administrator of Veteran Affairs a program for the education of children of deceased veterans of the Korean conflict. . . . We called Jim and Mary Lou Edington on 6 Jan. in an attempt to convince Mary Lou to reside near West Point while Jim goes to Iran. Jim gave us the goods news that a fifth child, a baby girl had been born 4 Jan. Later, Mary Lou wrote to say that she will be moving back to their home in De Ridder, Ala. . . . Don Robb flew into Stewart AFB for a week course at the IBM School in Kingston, N.Y. the middle of January. We enjoyed a very pleasant evening with dinner at the club talking over old times. He says that Dean Gausche, Clyde Reynolds, King Simon, Bob Moore (being assigned to Boston area), and Burt Brennan are also assigned to the Air Force Academy. . . . Also Jim Coolbaugh is going to the AF S&C School at Maxwell AFB. . . . Tex Hightower sent a long letter: He is still in Buffalo, N.Y. but with The Air Force Plant Office 110 Rochester Air Procurement District, Sylvania Electric Products Inc, 175 Great Arrow Avenue. He is worrying about selling his house this Summer when he goes to AF Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB, Ala. Others going will be Len Staszak who is now at Ballistic Missile Project in Inglewood, Calif., Charlie Shields of Middletown AMA (Pa.), Doc Blanchard and Bu Biggs. . . . Mark Kinevan, with AF JAC in Washington, is expecting to go to the AF Academy next Fall to instruct law. Don Helling is now in Boston in charge of a large group of Civil Service Patent Lawyers. Tex wants to know "Doesn't anyone go thru Buffalo or Niagara Falls anymore?" They can put anyone up and welcome any visits.

Danny Tate, who wrote this column for a long time, sent news that he has switched from selling advertising for Life Magazine in Cleveland to a similar job for Sports Illustrated in Detroit (1500 Fisher Building). Dan has a boy, Danny age 7 and a girl, Regan, age 5 and lives

now at 838 Helston Court in Birmingham. He would like anyone passing that way to be sure and give him a ring.

Willie and Mary Munroe wrote to say that they have added one more to their collection of unpaid helpers at their Green Harbor Village in West Yarmouth, Mass: one each son, name Bruce, born on 1 October 59. This makes three boys and a girl now. Business has also been very good for Willie and Mary; however only one classmate has stopped by last year, Frank and Barbara Boerger. I agree that it would be delightful to hold a class reunion there. In the meantime, between station moves, stop by as we intend to do next Summer.

A card from Jim and Nancy Mattern states that they are still enjoying life on Taiwan and are getting another room ready for occupancy by Easter.

The Class regrets to hear that Art Becker is in the hospital undergoing x-ray treatment for lymph cancer. Address for June and Art is 1725 Berkeley Way, Sacramento 19, California. We all send God-speed wishes for his quick recovery.

Jack Dunham, another former column reporter, is in G3 Operations, Hq, Eighth Army, Seoul, Korea where he writes of meeting John Delistraty, Jim Egger, and Jack Sullivan (see last issue for jobs and family) for dinner at the Club. Also Bill Cronin made a trip to Seoul from Japan for a short visit. Bill and John are going to C&GS in the Fall.

Dick Rantz writes for car dealer information and also to say that he is glad to be coming home after four years in Berlin. He has seen Harry Ball in Oberammergau and Ike Snyder in Heidelberg and Charlie Mumford in Berlin.

News from Leavenworth comes from my two faithful reporters, Barbara and Frank Boerger: George Bland arranged a fine luncheon for the A-N football game TV viewing. The group recorded a tape to be sent to Jack Dunham. Jan Christine came over from Kansas City for a group party during January. Nell Hering is in charge of the Army Daughters' Mardi Gras this year and is doing a terrific job. The following quote is from Frank and Barbara Boerger while on trip last Summer: "In Milford, NH, we tried to contact Miriam Jacques, but unfortunately she was not at home. We had a nice visit with Lee's father, who is in business in the center of town, and who states that his grandson is growing up to be quite a boy. Both he and his mother (Miriam to teach) now go to the Lee Jacques Memorial School in Milford" Frank recommends Green Harbor Village very highly for a wonderful vacation. Dick Rantz and all others, please note. Last minute assignment news: Bill Brown, Lou Rachmeler, Wally Veaudry to S&F, Ft. Leavenworth; George Bland, Dan Hering to Saudi Arabia and Korea respectively; Andy Anderson, Ismir, Turkey; Bill Grant, England or Alaska; Jim Bushnell, Aberdeen Proving Ground; Paul Callan, Ft. McClellan; Jack Faith, Ft. Knox; Todd Mallett, Language School (Spanish); Kermit Reel, G-2, Pentagon; Hal Tavzel, Ft. Meade, Md.; Carl Russell, H-21 Helicopter Officer, 57th TC, Ft. Lewis, Wash.; Jack Thompson, Ft. Belvoir, Va.; Frank has no assignment as yet.

Many thanks for your contributions;

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even though I am limited to 5 words per class member, please don't stop writing! See you all, I hope, June Week.

-Al Geraci  
Capt. Sig C  
Dept. of Math  
West Point, N.Y.

## 1948

Now that the ice has broken up and the river is clear again, all things indicate the arrival of this issue's deadline. I can think of no better way to start than to refer to Irv Schoenberg's letter that arrived from EUCOM too late for the past issue. Not one to let the grass grow, within four hours of his arrival in Wiesbaden, Irv had spotted Mort Mumma in the Von Steuben. Mort is with the 81st Fighter Wing in England, and reportedly is in top shape on the eve of becoming a father for the fourth time. Mort sends work of Dick Skinner's impending departure from Zaragoza AB, Spain, for Washington, D.C. Irv was expecting Ann and David to join him in January for a fling at living on the economy. Irv has agreed to pass on all class news items he hears of and his address is Box 628, 585th Tac. Missile Gp., APO 182, US Forces.

From Riverside, Calif., Andy (A.B.) Anderson reports his work with Atlas and Titan (15th AF Hq.) as "most interesting". Andy also mentioned seeing Don Swenholt, Frank McInerney, and Fred Chanatry at SAC Hq. last November. With a bedroom to spare, Andy extends a welcome to '48 travellers. From Nashville, Tenn., Tom and Betty Bowen send word that they are anxious to "get back in the Army" on completion of Tom's graduate schooling. (Editor's comment: You call becoming an instructor at USMA getting back in the Army?) Don't worry Tom, Fran Schless has volunteered to assist you in your adjustment to the stresses and strains of our duties up here! The Bowens also offer accommodations to summer travelers going through Nashville, although Tom would not vouch for the quality of the cooking. Bud Wagoner writes that he and Lou Haskell are still holding the fort (Lawton, that is). Bud must be in great shape as he is still working on lacrosse every day. He also reported visits by George Hartnell from Texas A&M and Bill Buckner from Tulsa.

A welcomed note has been received from Ben Eakins at the Armed Forces Staff College—Ben finds himself the junior member of a class of 192 students and bewails the fact that he is the sole '48er enrolled. Ben did provide the startling word that Squeak Webber's hairline was fast disappearing when last checked by Ben. During an IG trip in December, Ben learned that Bill McGinness and Don Kipfer are due for AC&S this Summer, and reports spending enjoyable evenings reminiscing with Bob and Peg Van Ardsdell in Washington, and with Carl and Wanda Anderson in Dayton. Jim Muehlenweg has taken over Ben's IG spot until Jim reports to AC&S this summer. For everyone's information, Ben states that AFSC does not, unfortunately, indulge in the same practices that Grim Locke ascribed to AC&S in the last issue. Out at the State University of Iowa, J.C. Maple is working on a fourth-

year extension. J.C. has been double-timing at SU, working on a MA degree while teaching American Military History to the frosh. His most recent problem has been trying to explain how the AN game could possibly end as it did. (We sympathize with you!) J.C. would like to hear from, or know the whereabouts of, some of the old H-1 crowd—Marshall, Bettis, Sykes, Whitfield, Pressman, DiLoreto, et al, take note: 220 Melrose St., Iowa City, Iowa.

John Milton writes from Benning that the ranks are most thin, with only he and Jim Blakeslee to carry on at present. Even so, Jim is "only tolerated" since he transferred to Armor. John adds that he is in full command of one each desk and telephone in the office of the Director of Instruction at TIS. Having missed the "Who's That" deadline (shame on you, John), he sends the following roster of the Milton clan: John, Jr., 5½; Teresa, 4; Tom, 1½; and Kate (Catherine Ann), who arrived last December at Benning; and of course, the better-half, Elaine! Thanks to Lee Doyle, the following items are offered on our sizable Leavenworth contingent: highlights of a very active social season include an August bierfest by Tom and Barb Clark—followed by a fine buffet at the Hunt Lodge staged by the Forresters, Hoyts, and Hoffmans; a progressive party hosted by the Marshalls, Wares, Starrys, and Buckleys; a beatnik affair by the Cerows and Beinkes; and a 1 January hangover-fling by the Clarks again. Lee mentions that the wives get together for frequent coffees, and we can see why this might be necessary. No new heirs to report, other than the belated word of Tom and Ann Ware's fourth arrival, their first boy—Thomas, III, born 25 November 1958, and Bob and Sally Marshall's fourth arrival, Alice, who was not able to make the "Who's That" deadline. Some tentative assignments were forwarded, and include Dave McNeely to CONARC, Harry Buckley to civil school thence MP&L instructor at USMA (looks like Fran Schless is building an empire), Walt Beinke to the 25th Div. in Hawaii, Jack Kean to Italy, Sam Cockerham to CO of 65th Helicopter Co., Ft. Eustis, Tom Clark to USAREUR, Al Cerow to Philly with QM (and just nominated to handle next year's AN arrangements!), Donn Stary to USAREUR, Bob Marshall to 101st ABD at Ft. Campbell, Ken Webber to Korea, Willie Burns to Washington, D.C. (OCE), and Stub Clarke to The Citadel (ROTC). The rest of the group's assignments are not known at this time. Lee adds that Tom Hoffman and Larry Hoyt continue to wow the class from the stage, which I do not doubt in the least! Oh yes, Tom Ware passes on the word that he has enjoyed his one year "TDY" in the states; having returned from Germany last summer, he is now scheduled for Viet Nam on completion of the course. Many thanks for the news, Lee, and while I am at it, my sincere appreciation to all of you who take the time and effort to drop a line for the column.

To the best of my knowledge, the 60-61 Leavenworth contingent will include the following: John Bellinger, Tom Tyree, Lou Haskell, Wally Hubbard, Les Carter, Jack Chitty, Jack Doody, Steve Griffith, Jay Hatch, Walt Meinzen, Phil Whitney, John Brennan, Norm Lovejoy, and Andy Witko.

Jim Sandman reports in from the USAFA that he is shy on news at this time. Since we wish to give our AF brothers "equal time" in this publication, I urge AF files to utilize Jim, and his successor at USAFA, as a permanent contact for this column if and when it may be more convenient than passing on the word direct. Remember, our deadlines are every three months, starting with 1 March each year.

From down Baltimore way, Dick and Louise Stein belately announce the arrival of their second, Susanna (15 months), who apparently ranks rather high in the Stein household. Dick is Planning Manager for the Mace and Matador (Martin), and states the presence of several USMAers there with him. Dick's business trips to Wright Field brings him into frequent contact with Bill Lyon and Fin MacCartney. From the U. of Ariz. at Tucson, Jim McCray passes the word that graduate work in EE is keeping him busy, his juice spec proving a little rusty. From Pocatiny, "The Assistant for Maintenance Engineering of the Nuclear Engineering Branch, etc.", Bill Travis, has forsaken his bachelor ways. Married to Miss Nancy Jarrett last June ("best move I ever made", says Bill), he is rapidly becoming a family man. He asks that Arnie Sargeant send him the pieces of his '53 diesel burner when it collapses, since Bill's '38 is in need of a few spares. Bill is still singing the praises of Ordnance, and with a '38 automobile on his hands, it is becoming quite clear why Bill transferred branches. Bill also tips us off that Bob Finnegan was sighted on a transport headed for Lake Garda, Italy; Bill is even yet trying to figure out what the QM is doing on Lake Garda. Ash Foote, at McPherson, is wondering how a South Mississippi boy happened to be tabbed for Thule, Greenland. Already he is an expert on the place, noting that a compass needle located there points SW! Ash reports to Thule in June to CO a Battery. Bob Peterson, also at McPherson, departs this summer, tentatively for civil school. Ash reports seeing Bill Mounger over the holidays—Bill is with the Deposit Guaranty Bank in Jackson, Miss., and looking great. Anybody encountering a '48 type with a Russian accent will probably discover that it is Al Pabst. Al and Austy have acquired a certain fluency in this exotic tongue by virtue of Al's present assignment at Monterey U. From there they report to Columbia for another year of study. Al reports the presence of Ed Nelson at the U. of Cal. Livermore Lab. Apparently Ed and Mary are enjoying their stay there very much. Fred Chanatry reports from Offutt AFB that he is getting plenty of TDY on the SAC IG team, including trips to Morocco, Spain, U.K., Alaska, Japan, Okinawa, Guam, and several ZI spots. Add to this schools at the North American plant at Downey, Calif, and the G.E. plant in Philly, and you can see why Teresa keeps Fred's suitcase packed. Fred notes that Phil Porter is in the Information Services Office at Offutt, and is still taking Judo lessons.

Class heirs are definitely on the increase these days. From recent observations, even the drinking water at West Point has regained its potency. The following newcomers are announced for those who may not have yet heard the

news: from Bangor, Maine, June and Hayden Bayer report the arrival of Lynne Anne and Lisa Ann, 23 September 1959; checking in from Ann Arbor, Mich., is Master Edward Hunter Elebash, 29 December 1959; and from New Brunswick, N.J., comes the news of the first addition to the household of Helen and Lyle Walter, Master William Richard, 8 January 1960. Best wishes to all from the Class.

Here on the Hudson, your class assembles on occasion to voice the old refrain "the Corps Has" and to prescribe ingenious solutions for all the problems of the Army and of the World. The most recent full scale clambake was a Schless, Wadsworth, and Osteen sponsored affair which was made even more enjoyable by the attendance of distinguished out-of-towners Phil and Ginny Day, Jack and Jean Doody, Jim and Pickle Barnett, Fred and Joyce Tibbetts, and Glen and Kit Wilhide. Jack is the Director (and No. 1 Booster) of the New England Colleges Rifle League, and has become a real homesteader at the U. of Conn. Unlike most of us, Jack seems to be gaining in vitality with the years. U. of C.'s loss this summer will certainly be Leavenworth's gain! To the best of my knowledge, the following '48ers are scheduled to report to USMA this summer: Tom Bowen, Fred Tibbetts, Glen Wilhide, and Denny Patterson. Lee Doyle is scheduled for the Department of English following one year of graduate work at the University of Penn. A pretty-much overdue class activity has been planned for June Week—the planting of the '48 Tree in the vicinity of the Plain. Details of this and other June Week items should have reached you before this copy of the ASSEMBLY, so I will not elaborate on June Week, other than to mention that any one of us up here will be happy to assist you in making housing arrangements, etc, if you will just let us know as soon as possible. Fran Schless and Jack Capps are our two chief coordinators for June Week, and are particularly anxious to be of assistance to you. Also it is not too early to be thinking about Homecoming. The game should be a dandy, with Penn State as our opponent. The date is 8 October, and the regular Homecoming events are planned. Please contact us if we can assist you in any way.

This column would not be complete without Class Congratulations being extended to Squeak Webber, Tom Ware, Tom Hoffman, and Walt Beinke for their outstanding artistic contribution to the recent Leavenworth Mardi Gras celebration, as reported in the ANAF Journal. Their unique chorus-line interpretation of Offenbach's "Orpheus in Hades" (the "can-can" music) merits real recognition. All entertainment committees around the world take note! And now to close on a rather embarrassing note, if only to provide a little mirth to those non-skiers who need a good laugh. I confess that, in trying to imitate the graceful welder of Tom Tyree, I have become a ski casualty and am now required to walk with a cast on my right leg for a period of six weeks—thus confirming what many had silently predicted. A happy, and safe, summer to you all!

—Robbie Robertson  
Department of  
Physics and Chemistry

(Continued from last month) Well, that about does it for this issue. Want to thank all who sent in cards and letters. How about giving some thought to the system deCorrevont mentioned?

Again my apologies for missing the last issue and again the usual plea for cards and letters. Everyone likes to read the column, so why not contribute?

—G. W. Kirby, Jr  
Dept. of MT&C

(Our story continues) If you are wondering at the odd opening it is because I lost the last two paragraphs to the editor last issue and I didn't want any composition buffs noting a lack of continuity.

I had almost given up hope of hearing from anyone with something for this issue when a letter arrived from Muckerman in the Canal Zone. I opened it and to my dismay he was inquiring as to why he had not received his Ten Year Book. Costa asked me to tell everyone to be patient, that everything is in the mill and to assure one and all that they have not been swindled. The main cause of delay was the lethargy displayed by members of the class sending in the photos, etc. Don't blame John, just ask your nearest classmate.

Bob Kemble forwarded a note from Sue Steele. She is living in Columbus, Carolyn Gillespie too, while their respective husbands are in Korea. Bob's address is 1st BG, 17th Inf, APO 7.

A collection of random notes compliments of Hill Dickenson. Joe Schmalzel is with G-1 Plans, 8th Army Hq, Seoul and reports that Ray Battreal is in G-1, 1st Cav Div. Joe says that Korea is now so civilized that Blues are required for most evening parties. Stella is in Benson, Arizona with the five boys. George Pollin is on the way to Korea and Carolyn will spend the next year in Williamsburg. Wes Knapp is still enjoying Sandia and Sue and Art Mayer are still basking in Hawaii. Don Williamson is working for a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering at Georgia Tech after returning from Heidelberg. Don reports seeing Phil and Sue O'Brian and daughter Ann. Phil is a test pilot at Brokley AFB in Mobile. Charlie Roebuck is back in the 2nd Armd Cav Regt for the second time. Dean Dickenson is in Heidelberg enjoying the sights. Jud Conner, Kit and Raymond Jeffrey are enjoying Vietnam. Jud is in Public Relations but reports that the typewriter will never replace the tank. Ray Rasmussen is a Tank Company CO and saw Clay Buckingham at Grafenwhor. Clay is with the 14th Armd Cav. Bob and Millie Lichow are homesteaded at Ft. Knox and enjoying it. John and Ann Poulson saw Abb and Jean Greenleaf in Washington. Tom and Dottie Williams visited Dean and Marilyn Teece in Cincinnati. Dean finished his work for his Master's Degree and is still with GE. His job is (take a deep breath) Supervisor of Product improvement and Kit Support in Commercial Engines Operations. Dean acts and improves on design changes. Martin Howell is instructing in International Relations at the Army Information School at Ft. Slocum. Amos Mathews saw Tiger at NYU and Tiger said he was getting

his PhD in the Spring. Bob and Dodie Olson are moving to Bedford, Mass. Bob recently returned from three weeks in Japan and Dodie is running a flourishing fashion business.

Some bits gleaned from here and there. Bill Brown has moved to Beaumont, Texas and has gone into a partnership with his brother in an Architect-Engineer firm. Hugh Jenkins is now Post Engineer in Verona Military Post, Verona, Italy.

Ed Cave has undergone surgery at St. Albans Hospital, Long Island and is home recovering. Ed is finishing his second year as Asst PMS&T at Fordham. Ed Rose is at Belvoir with the USMA Prep School. Bruce Carswell is completing his tour as Assistant to the Military Attaché in Warsaw, Poland.

Bill Moore wanted me to mention that he has another son, William T., Jr.

Harry Maihafer is returning in March from Europe with Lt. Gen. O'Neil as Aide to the CG, 1st Army, Governor's Island. Mort Cameron visited the Dickensons on the way from Presque Isle to Cape Canaveral to participate in firings of the Snark.

Dick Henry and Ernie Denham attended a class stag dinner at the West Point Mess on 26 February. Dick is on his way from a tour in England to a desk at the Pentagon. Ernie is attending the Information School at Fort Slocum. Ernie saw Bob Hansen and Dan Brooksher in Wiesbaden.

Rather a puny bunch of notes aren't they? Well, what did you expect when you didn't send anything in?

Well, all of us here at West Point are looking forward to seeing a goodly number of you this June. Nothing definite has been planned yet but we will have something. Not the time that it was last year but perhaps we can put as much in but just use a smaller package. Send June Week inquires to John Sutton and notes to me.

—G. W. Kirby, Jr.  
Dept. of MT&C

## 1950

Deadline tomorrow—and not much news to report. We'll save it for June Week and the issue to follow.

By this time you should have received poop sheets of various description from your Reunion Committee. Four pieces of paper were supposed to go into the last envelope sent to you. If you've received more or less than four, or possibly an empty envelope, or if you detect the odor of beer, then we'll never again combine a folding-mailing party with a class beer call. If you've received no envelope at all, either you owe dues to the Association of Graduates which supplied all the addresses, or some of your classmates are still at the club drinking beer.

In order to bring you up to date on our proposed Ten Year Book, we've entered into a contract with Myers Yearbooks, Inc. This company has done several ten year books for previous classes including '47, '48, and '49, and has come to us highly recommended. Our initial budget figure of \$5.00 per copy will stand unless Bill Aman and Lou Dixon of the recently formed "Di-Man" Advertising Agency turn their market

research project, which you all have participated in by this time, into a real bonanza. Then we may be able to pay all of you who are willing to pay for a book! You figure that out! The book will contain 208 pages, give or take a few, full color cover, 8½x11", appropriately dedicated to the deceased members of the class. To make the book a real success, we want recent pictures of all members of the class—so act immediately on these requests sent to you last week. Briefly, a short 125-200 word writeup covering your last ten years; a glossy snapshot to cover a space 3" x 4" of you and your family; (Bill Sweidel already sent his in), and an answer to the questionnaire which will be used to compile some statistics. Enuff said—it's your book, so join us to make it a good one!

Walt Stanton dropped us a note from his PMS&T duties at Greenbrier Military School, Lewisburg, Va. He reported that Bill and Sue Davis are at Fishburne Military School, Waynesboro, Va., where Bill has similar PMS&T duties; Jim Barnes is at VMI; Don Shreve is now an M.D. with a general practice in White Sulphur Springs, West Va. Bill Slavins is now on ROTC duty at L.S.U. and he, wife Lois, and children are living in a newly purchased home in Baton Rouge. Among other extra curricular duties, Bill is in charge of the ROTC rifle team and is apparently enjoying the assignment. Chuck Butler wrote from Friedberg, Germany, after over 3 years with the 3rd Armored Division, and was preparing as of last December, to depart from "Ole Miss" for ROTC duty. Other classmates reported by Chuck are John Begley who went to Oberammergau to study German and ended up in historical detachments. This is old news—where are you now, John? Ed Freedman joined G-3 section of the 3rd Armored. Chester Willingham has been with a 105 Bn. in Gelnhausen for some time; Paul Gorman made Stars and Stripes recently for his work on the Expert Infantry Test Board.

Mauro Moresca returned from a tour in England where he spent two years working on the construction of the Thor IRBM sites. He and family are now in Atlanta, Ga. assigned to the Air Force Regional Central Engineer Office in the Post Office Building, Atlanta. He was recently awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service while serving as missile project officer for the 3rd Air Force in England.

Some items from the C-1 Company news letter put out by Ken Ebner are as follows: Tom Austin is commanding an aerial recon and security company and going through many tests with it at Fort Benning and Fort Stewart; Bill Dougherty has been at Ft. Huachuca since June '58 and is expecting a long overseas assignment this June; Bill reports that Grady Bannister is the only other classmate on Post; Marty Small is at Tucson at the Univ of Arizona; Benny Davis has been in Miami for the past three years and has been a "spot" Major since March of '57. He hopes to be here for the 10th Reunion but it looks as though he may be on TDY in Spain at that time; Ken Ebner is finishing his last year at West Point and expects a desirable overseas tour; Pete and Ann Fuller are in New Canaan, Conn. having made the Penn State game last fall and expect to be here June Week; Gus Hergert

is at Ft. Leavenworth and reports that "everything is fine. School is just like the olden days—I am pulling Joe (Love) through". A Christmas note from Jim and Jean Higgins who expect to be here in June. D. B. King is happily settled at Ft. Rucker in his assignment with the Aviation Board. He too expects to make the reunion in June. John McCormick, Tac Officer at USMA, is playing the role to the hilt wearing "tennis shoes after taps." Cully Mitchel expects to be taking final exams in Aeronautical Engineering at Ann Arbor, Michigan so probably will not be able to make it for June Week. Cully reports the following: "I am having a terrible time with this academic life. I can't study in the library because the co-eds distract me and my kids drive me nuts at home." Jack and Nancy Pigman noted that they will be here for June Week with bells on. (That won't be necessary, Jack). Bob Reed expects reassignment from Drexel Hill, Pa. some time between 1 June and 31 August which may interfere with his being here in June; Marv Rees is now at the Citadel with Gus Dielens, Wilbur Warren and Roswell Round. This was reported in a previous issue. Pete Schira arrived in Hawaii last September and is enjoying the climate—probably will not make the Tenth; George Vlisides expects to return to the States from England for assignment to the Air Command and Staff School at Maxwell AFB. As of now he expects to miss June Week by a month. Jim Wallace is out of the service living in Santa Monica. His reference to RAND could be the Sperry Rand Corporation—is that right, Jim? Jack Wheatley is on his way to being a big contractor in Palo Alto building schools, commercial buildings, apartment houses and private homes. He and Mary Lois expect to be here for June Week; Stu Wood is assigned to the North Pacific Division Corps of Engineers with station in Alaska. He recently spent some time in the hospital having a bone chip removed from his knee. Thanks for the C-1 story, Ken.

Some short notes attached to the Aman-Dixon questionnaire. Roger Lind is out of the service as a result of a knee injury. He attended Georgia Tech, worked with a consulting engineer firm in Houston and last July opened his own office in New Orleans for the same firm. Note from Barbara Lockerman advising that Sam is now TDY at Castle AFB preparing for B-52's. They expect to move soon to Amarillo; Roy Henderson moved recently from New York to Wheeling, West Virginia as general manager of the Vulcan Rail and Construction Company's fabricating operations; Bob Eastman during a recent packing operation came across many photos and negatives some of which were used in our Howitzer. He sent them on to us and they were promptly sent to Lauris Eek for possible inclusion in the Ten Year Book. Thanks for the pictures, Bob. Sorry you can't make the Tenth.

Only a few babies reported this quarter: Boys to Stan and Ann Stanton, and Harry and Jo-Jo Coyle. Girls to Chuck and Jo Butler, and twins, one of each, to Bill and Barbara Dougherty.

Will expect your pictures and writeups for the Ten Year Book soon so keep this in mind. See you in June.

—Lou Genuario  
Qtrs. 518-D  
West Point, N.Y.

It is only fitting that I should write this column, since none of the previous scribes was blessed with any information from me. Don't expect to be humorously entertained because I have neither the talent nor the inclination for clever repartee. Anyway it would be foolhardy to attempt it following the master. You have a right to expect the news and will get it if I receive letters from you.

As you probably know, those of us here at the trade school are planning for the gala tenth reunion next year. One project is a tenth reunion "Howitzer". John Haumersen is the chief of that project and needs a recent photograph and a personal history from each of us. If the book is going to be completed in good time it's necessary to have these as soon as possible. It only takes a few minutes and it will ensure that you get your money's worth if you send them right away. Send to Capt. J.P. Haumersen, Department of Ordnance, USMA.

Roy Herte innocently arrived at the Rhein Main AF Base party for the Army-Navy Game and was awarded the door prize—to report the proceedings to THE ASSEMBLY. The enclosed picture, which was obviously taken *before* the game, is the result. Al Esser, ably assisted by John Cousins and John Moffat, was the ringleader. Apparently the enthusiasm generated would have reversed the score if it could have been transferred to Municipal Stadium.

Dick Breakiron writes from the old country that he, with Joyce and Diane 7, Dawn 5, and Richard Jr., is now assigned to the G-2 Section, 8th Infantry Division. He kindly enclosed a list prepared by Al Esser of all those now stationed in Northern Europe whose locations were known. The list follows: John Moffat, John Cousins, and Al Esser, 7th Engr. Brig., Rhein Main; Chuck Ewing, 23rd Armd. Engr. Bn., Hanau. Ronnie Roberge, UUUS Army Proc. Cntr., Frankfurt; Roy Herte 513th MI Gp., Guy Jester, US

Army Garrison, Schweinfurt; Ed Willis, US Army Garrison, Aschaffenburg; Tom Stumm, US Army Garrison, Grafenwohr; George Hardesty and Bob Flanagan, Hq, V Corps; Bob Pazderka, 39th Engr. Gp., Karlsruhe; Dick Wells, US Army Const. Agency, Ger., Worms Project Office; Carl Peltz, US Army Const. Agency, Ger., Hahn Project Office; Al Frick and Ray Toole, US Army Engr-Ord School, Murnau; Joe Smith, US Army Garrison, Berlin; Pete Thomas, US Army Const. Agency, France; Mel Snyder, Hq BASEC, Poitiers; Paul Coughlin, 40th Arty Msl Gp, Wackernheim; Brooks Martin, US Embassy, Bonn; Fran Craig, Field Det. "M" G-2, USAREUR, Heidelberg; Tom Hastings, 28th Infantry, Munich. If you're not on this list please send me your address and you'll get billing in the next issue.

From south of the Alps, Rocky Milburn invites anyone who is going to visit Italy to stop by Via Panizza #11, Vicenza, to see him, Joyce and their five children. I hate to disappoint you, slowpoke, but Helen Ackerson recently had twins giving the Ackersons a grand total of seven children. Rocky recently attended a refresher course in special weapons at Oberammergau where he saw Al Akers, Joe Luger, and Dick Breakiron. He passes on a sage word of advice for anyone crossing the Brenner Pass in a sports car in Winter—take an elephant!

Al Akers, with Mary Lou and son Frank 2, has just arrived in Naples, where he is aide to C/S CINCSOUTH. Prior to that he was in the hills of Thailand. Mary Lou recently was in Paris where she stayed with Bill and Audrey Malouche. Brandt Tennant sent a mournful cry from Turkey that he is the youngest grad in Turkey and will, therefore, have to hold forth on Founders Day. There hasn't been much work done in his office recently because he's been scouring all the Officers' rosters within a radius of 1500 miles from Ankara. Elke, Thomas 8 and Allen (new) are with him.

On the home front Pat Pattillo organized a party for those in the D.C.

area December 5th. Those attending were Joan and Bill Baird, Ann and Phil Cuny, Pat and George Gardes, Alice and Fred Irving, Joan and Joe LaFleur, Ann Louisell and Dottie Markham (Bill and Eddie are in Germany), Evelyn and Jack Martin, Pat and Fred Miller, Jean and John Norvell, Fran and Ed Partain, (Pat) 2 Pattillo, Dotsie and Howie Steele, Charlotte and Saint St Mary, Chuck Wallens. Others in the Washington area include Dave Abshire, Carl Arnold, George Bicher, Larry Crocker, Bucky Harris, Gerry Hendricks, Tom Odderstol, Don Peifer and Dick Schwarz.

IBM has recently rewarded the efforts of George Reid by promoting him to manager of engineering manpower at their laboratory at Kingston, NY. It's his fourth promotion since joining IBM in 1956. George and Martha live at 8 Amherst Road, Red Hook with their three children, George 7, David 5, and William 4.

Notes from around the USA:  
Don Roloff is at Eglin AFB where he is flying B-47 drones in the Bomarc program. The Roloffs now include four children, Terese 6, Deborah 5, Donald 3, and Kathryn (new). Lloyd is there also, flying F-89's. John Croan is living in Medway, Ohio. They have three girls, Allison 6, Jonelle 4, and Kimberly (new). Bob Olson is at McConnell AFB, Wichita in B-47 school, having just returned from Japan via survival school in Reno. Bill Spence is in the insurance business in San Antonio. He and Jean have two girls and a boy. Gorman Smith, my illustrious predecessor, is going to the Marine Corps equivalent of the Infantry Advanced Course at Quantico this Summer. He reports from a recent trip to the Air Force Academy that he saw Bud Richardson, Math; Matt Collins, Tac; Ann and Bill Lackman, spy from the Army. It appears that the Lackmans have fine quarters—finally got down from the fourth floor. Pete Thorsen reports that Charley Crowe is now at Fort Slocum. Wally and Norma Steiger stopped by The Rock on their way to Fort Knox. They have just returned from Europe and it seemed to agree with them. Joe and Sally Clarke were up here recently. He is with Minneapolis Honeywell in Philadelphia.

And now dear readers a short pause of three months for a word from our sponsor—you.

—Captain R. P. McLean  
Dept. of Elec. Engr.

## Rhein Main Army-Navy Party



First Row: Mary Martin, Mary Ann Herte, Joan Willis, May Johnson (Joe Luger's date), Marfeld Peltz, Dianne Pazderka. Second Row: Sarah Coughlin, Mary Agnes Evans, Jean Esser, Naomi Hardesty, Mary Cousins, Ann Reed, Lynn Wells. Third Row: Paul Coughlin, Roy Herte, Phil Reed, Guy Jester, John Cousins, Al Esser, Karl Peltz, Bob Pazderka, Ed Willis, Ronnie Roberge, George Hardesty, Brooks Martin, Henry Evans, Joe Luger, Dick Wells.

## 1952

Is it a sign of age, Classmates, or is it just a deeper appreciation of beauty which makes the arrival of Spring a more eventful occasion with each passing year? Maybe those of you in lands of eternal sunshine could care less; but those of us who endure the wintry blasts surely welcome that green color. I hope the warm weather will awake in you warm thoughts of classmates who are interested in what you are doing, and this will lead logically to a letter for the column. Everyone's career follows a slightly different pattern—write in and describe yours.

And, speaking of careers, isn't it startling to realize that we're within the zone of consideration for C.&G.S.C? **Congratu-**

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lations from all of us to Craig Alderman, Terry Allen, Bob Cottey, Bob Dunn, and Harry Roper, who will pave the way there for '52. (Terry, I think you had the last laugh on the M.A.&E. Dept.)

Since our last column, many letters and many checks for \$3 have crossed this desk and I would like to thank all who have taken time to sit down and keep in touch. Your minimum obligation is to keep the Column informed of your current address: beyond that I can only hope. Since your executive committee is soon to get at the task of writing a long-awaited Constitution (see past issues) feel free to include in your letters any clauses you believe it should contain. After all, you'll be voting on it.

Thanks to so many of you who used a Christmas card as a means of forwarding some information; Ruth and I appreciated the greetings too.

New arrivals to the following: Bill and Peg Reilly—she's Laura Ann, born at Fort Belvoir on 14 December 1959, their first; to Ralph and Carrol Cline, their third—he's Robert Glenn, born 19 December 1959; and to Denny and Kathryn Mullane, Kevin Paul born on 23 January 1960. Congratulations and best wishes for patience, fortitude, etc., which all parents need!

The gang here had a combination eating-and-skating fest at Smith Rink in February, which was enjoyed by all. A strenuous session of broom hockey (you haven't lived till you've played it) took a toll of sprained ankles, bruised shoulders, sore muscles, and broken brooms, but then we don't do that every day! Gerry Gibbs claims the record for the most minutes on the ice—in the prone position, that is! To you who may be assigned here at West Point in the near future: the prospect of quarters on post for our class is excellent. The 156 new units now under construction should be ready by the Summer of 1961, and this should ease the situation considerably. As you may know, '52 is off-post at present.

The Dutchyshyn's in Heidelberg continue to provide excellent coverage of the European "front," and we appreciate the nice letter from the Weinert's in Dexheim. Harry and Val mention their trip into southern Bavaria and the places they visited—Chiemsee, Zell am See, Berchtesgaden—bring back pleasant memories for those of us who have been there; to those who haven't they mean pleasant vacations ahead. Bill Horn, who is Post Engineer at Berchtesgaden, is certainly a very strategically located classmate!

Don and Suzie Weinert are enjoying their tour and are able to visit classmates occasionally, whenever Don isn't jumping out of airplanes. They visited Drake and Ann Wilson in Frankfurt (Drake's duties take him on frequent trips to Paris, which shouldn't be too hard to take) and unexpectedly met Dayton and Georgie Pickett at the Frankfurt Zoo. (Outside the cages). Suzie reports that Germany hasn't changed: the traffic situation is still unbearable and a high percentage of wives are expecting. Be sure to pass on the news when the blessed events arrive.

To switch from Germany to the western U.S., the Roundings sent a Christmas message which emphasizes above all that Bob and Bev have the welcome mat

out at Quarters 4501A at the Air Force Academy. Warren and Jan Spaulding report on the Advance Course at Fort Sill and since their letter was written soon after the Navy football game, it had a touch of temporary melancholy in it. The Bergesons, Bells, and Hoenstines, who are permanent party at Sill, had the gang over to the Club after the game to forget their troubles. Those present, with or without wives, were: Al Gorby, Bob Burke, Dick Bullock, Wayne Elliott, Tom Ellis, Bob Haras, Bill Harrison, Dick Haskell, Howard Jelinek, Ivan King, Jim McDonald, Bud Rainey, Bob Truax, Dick Wiles, Bob Hutton, and Warren Spaulding. Warren also took in the Army-Oklahoma game, and saw Bob Winger, George Bartel, and Don Ross there. Don's a civilian, living in Kansas City. Warren reports that Bill and Stevie Gleason are now living in Hanau, Germany with their two children, Mary Kathleen and William, Jr.

Jim and Bobi Tow send news of many classmates from Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where Jim's with the 101st Aviation Company. Classmates in the Division are Tom Rehm, John Claybrook, Jack Quinn, Bill Schroeder, and Ray Espey; and at the Army Airfield there is Sam Hubbard. Jim recently visited Fort Bragg and had occasion to visit with Paul and Ann Malone, Lew and Terry Beasley, and Otis Moran—all three classmates with the 82nd Aviation Company. He reports that Pat Korchek presented Bob with a charming daughter, Anna Lorraine, on 2 October 1959, but picked a time when Bob was unfortunately off somewhere on TDY.

The Bracys wrote from Vietnam, coughed up \$3 for the class fund, complained about the heat, and extended Christmas greetings to all. We'll be glad to see you here at West Point, Al. Al is coming to the Admissions Division, joining Jack Driskill there.

Jack was out of action in February as a result of an operation, but with a lot of wifely pampering was soon back to his usual active self. He attended a Special Weapons refresher course at Fort Dix in early February, and had as an instructor for two days Dick Stanier, who is on a Weapons Committee there.

Bill Raiford popped in at West Point again recently and as always his enthusiasm was contagious. With Bill discreetly guiding the discussion at lunch at the Club that day, Crow, Ulmer, Kenney, Leggett and Luther decided that automatic computers were the answer to all military problems. We know Bill times his visits in order to get free space in ASSEMBLY but you'll notice I've avoided mentioning the company he represents. (See last issue!)

Ray and Maureen Tensfeldt at Vandenberg AFB send their greetings and say they missed the snow "a little."

Paul and Mary Gray wrote from Fort Benning with the good news that they've adopted a baby boy, Tommy. Congratulations folks—looking forward to meeting the family, Paul.

Bill Schroeder writes from Fort Campbell to enlarge on some of the information we got from Jim Tow there: Bill has heard recently from Bill Linkenhoger, civilian now in Houston, Texas; and from Joe Santilli, who is also a civilian and who just moved to Houston. (What's the

attraction in Houston?) Also from Bud Lichtenwaller in Korea and Norb Szymczyk who is at the Army Language School. He met John Cook at Fort Bragg while there on the "White Cloud" maneuver; John is with the Infantry Department at Fort Belvoir.

Herb and Adrian Hollander are in Orleans, France, after completing the Advanced Course at Fort Monmouth. They pass on the information that Whit Brown is nearby with SHAPE; and Bruce DeWald is Signal Officer at La Rochelle. Bob Craig left there last September for the Aleutian Islands; his wife Alice is marking time in Bethesda, Maryland, until his return. Nancy Roper is doing likewise at the same place Alice: you two might start a club! Mel Young and wife make their home in Chattanooga, Tennessee as civilians, reports Herb.

I think we could take a paragraph here to recognize all the wives who are doing such a fine job of keeping the family going during these so-called "hardship" tours. Certainly these tours are always with us, and are particularly hard for you to bear during a peacetime civilian environment, but the way you face up to the task makes it a little easier for someone else. Many of you have continued to do some reporting for the class column during your husband's absence: this surely shows a fine class spirit.

Fred Stevens slipped a letter under the deadline which recalled a trip they made to Fort Sill, where they stayed with Frank and Peggy Robinson, and managed to see the Burkes, Gorbys and Bells. Fred was with the initial group which set up the Dallas-Fort Worth NIKE Defense and has had frequent occasion to speak before civic groups. He is now Headquarters Battery CO of the 4th Missile Battalion, 562nd Artillery. He mentions that Paul Child is re-joining the Artillery after trying civilian life awhile. I'd like to hear your reasons, Paul: maybe those of us of '52 who are still military could demand "Equal Space" in LOOK magazine.

From Sam Wetzel comes news of Jim McInerney: he spent a vacation in Spain and is now studying Aeronautical Engineering at Princeton. Sam accompanied the Supe to the West coast for a series of Founder's Day talks 8-13 March 1960.

Hank and Laura Meyer report a visit here to the Rock by Sandy and Mars Earle over Washington's birthday weekend. The Earle's are temporarily away from Fort Bliss, in Boston working with a HAWK contractor.

Walt Ulmer passes on some information about two of our number who are doing real well as civilians: Hodge Hodgskin is staying an additional year in the British West Indies, where he's working for GE; and Jim Paris is doing fine with Fairchild in Philadelphia. Danny Danford continues the report on civilians by mentioning that Joe Clement was sent to Europe by his company, Ingersol-Rand. (1st Class too, and Joe a bachelor!) Preston Maddocks has recently returned Stateside from Japan for an assignment in the Guided Missiles field. Danny also mentioned he and Mary heard from Suzie Mallard at Christmastime: she and her twin daughters Dawn and Debbie are living in Tyler, Texas.

The Carl Dupkes here at West Point send out a plea for some word from Larry Putnam, Charlie Steen, and George Bartel. Carl is with the Department of Electrical Engineering. They also report that Carl and Nancy Woltersdorf are living in Shreveport, Louisiana, where Carl works for Westinghouse.

From Vogelweh, in Kaiserslautern, Germany, comes a greeting from the four Picketts.

That about wraps it up for this issue. The new roster of classmates here at West Point will appear next issue. Let's be prompt about these Summer transfer change-of-address cards. How can I hound you for your \$3 if I don't know where you are?

—Jay Luther

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## 1953

Spring seems to be slowly creeping up on all and I'm trying to get the "poop" down in black and white before the fever sets in. Navy weekend has just passed with an exciting basketball game and other sports.

Priscilla and Max Noah went down from West Point to Fort Belvoir over Christmas and saw a good many classmates. At a party at the Segals' everyone there wrote a "thumbnail" sketch of themselves and these short autobiographies were sent along to me. Priscilla had the idea and it is a mighty good way to pass along news of classmates. How about some others following suit! Mag and Wayne Alch are at Belvoir attending the Associate Advanced Engr. Course. Wayne was recently TDY to Uruguay for reconstruction of a R.R. bridge. Walter and Anne Henderson are living in Washington, D.C. Walt works for G.E. and attends G. W. Law School. They had their second girl recently, Shiela. Bernie and Kathy Hughes are at Ft. Belvoir, have an alert for Germany in June. Bernie attended the Atomic Defense Engr. School at Ft. Hueneme, Calif. Kirk and Lois Ehlers have three girls to date. Kirk is attending the Assoc. Engr. Advanced Course and then expects an overseas assignment. Vald and Kitty Heiberg are also attending the Assoc. Course, then will go to G. W. Univ. to get a degree in foreign affairs. The Heibergs expect a plush overseas tour in 1961. Al Grum writes that he has just finished almost two years working in atomic effects at the Eng. Research and Development Labs. Ehlers and Toman were in the same class. After finishing the Assoc. Course (which also includes Kimball and Kallman) Al and Jane are going to Germany with "two rowdy boys" Pete, two years, and Dave, four months, who, according to Al, keep Jane young and beautiful but give him grey hairs! Lee Crosby reports he is now attending the last long (very long) course at Belvoir while Lucy is chasing, and being chased by three boys; Robby 5, Geoffrey 3, and Bill 10 mos. All expect to be moved to someplace in the vicinity of Europe next summer. Chuck Fiala is in the Army Nuclear Power Program and is station at O.C.E. Chuck expects to be at O.C.E. until Dec. '60, then the adv. course at Belvoir prior to Germany (he hopes). The Fiala's

added another boy, John, last July. Other little Fialas include Chuck Jr., age three and Joan, two. Jim and Carol Appleton finished ROTC duty at So. Dak. School of Mines prior to Adv. Course, Belvoir. They boast three children and a Collie dog. Ray and Sandy Eineigl are assigned to Army Nuclear Power Program at O.E.C. Bud Tardiiff (A.F.) and Pistenma are also in the Program but at Germantown, Md. (A.E.C.). Don Ramsay and John Angstadt are also in the Army Nuclear Power Program at Belvoir. Ray Colvin is in ASA in D.C., Crevoisevat ordered to Ethiopia, Bob and Donna Segal also attending school at Belvoir and expect overseas assignment next summer. Bob says they stay busy keeping a large dog in food and Donna in paints and canvas!

Ed Davis, the roving (flying) reporter sent along the following: At Wright Patterson A.F.B.: Hal and Darlena Gartrell and the John Schuessler's. The Schuesslers had their second income tax deduction of 1959 on Christmas Day. Fred and Mary Taylor are moving from Wright-Patterson to Boston in June. Johnny Jones and Dyke McCarty are students. at Wright-Pat. Bill Davis left Wright-Pat. recently and started flight test school at Edwards A.F.B. in Dec.

John and Khaki Martin were in the West Point area during Christmas. John is in the Advanced Course at Ft. Belvoir. Jim Loedding is a civilian at Wright-Patterson and attending Law School at night. Bob Beveridge is at Purdue. Bud and Terry Borrell are civilians in California. Jim Jones was at Kansas City with SAGE but has gone on to McChord A.F.B. Recent captains in the Air Force are Jim Landreth, Art Spooner, and Bill Strickland. Congratulations! At Fort Sill are the Eubanks, the Nolls, Bill Sutton, Neil and Betty Riley, the Stoneburners, the Blums, and the Jay Tanzers plus four.

A wonderful note from Mrs. Gertrude Westervelt reports that John (Westy) and Marilyn Westervelt are fine and happy in Germany and will be returning next year. Ed Burdeau is ordered to Germany.

Don and Sarah Shaw are in Tacoma, Wash. where Don is an aide. They have three wonderful kids, Jamie, Bobby and Patti. All will probably be going to Ft. Sill in September for the Advanced Artillery Course.

Abbie McLennan sends word that she'll be mighty happy to help with house hunting for anyone heading for Sill. Abbie's address: 6833 B Fleming, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Jack and Barbara Merrigan sent along a Christmas card from Okinawa. They increased their family to 3 with the arrival of their first child, Mary Elizabeth, on 8 Dec. Jack was Adjutant of a Nike Hercules Battalion but expects to command a battery soon. Bob and Maybelle Beaucord were the only other 53'ers there, but, by now, they must be at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City.

Bob and Peggy LaFlam were visiting Al and Pam Lindholm over George Washington's birthday. Bob is an instructor in the officers dept of the Signal School. At Fort Monmouth in the Advanced Class are Sam Thomas and Gray and Beth Kinne. Also, Jim and Bette Hogg are at Fort Monmouth. Bob also reported that Sam Rogers went to Korea in January and that Fran is waiting in Raleigh, N.C.

Bill Bell is at Princeton in Graduate School and will be coming to the Social Science Dept this summer.

Some notes from Mort O'Connor, the Irish English "P":

Bob and Alice Rogers are now in the Diplomatic Corps and have opened a consulate in the Republic of Congo. The stork has delivered their first—Mark. Congratulations! Pat and Joe Wilson are at the Army Language School where Joe is studying Arabic. They now have two children. Stan and Pat Touchstone are at Purdue. Stan will be joining the P.E. Dept. here this next summer. Jerry Nicks is believed to be at Huntsville, Ala. Also there are Lynn and Tom Davis, the Floyds and the Primes. Bill and Lorraine Yueugel are in Belleville, Ind. where Bill is on duty with Nike missiles. Dick and Liz Hoyt are civilians in Connecticut. News from Montana has it that Bob and Sally Thomas have a boy, Gary, now "9 months big". Charlie Cheves is now a civilian and going to law school in Florida.

Tony and Kathy Deluca and three children are in Saigon where Tony is aide to General Ruggles in the military advisory group. They are really enjoying their tour and are busy studying French and Vietnamese. In addition, Mort reports that Bob Blastos is now at Fort Dix and that Bob Connor is at McGuire AFB.

### Baby Corner:

Eric Scott Freimark—born 19 Jan 60, El Paso, Texas. Susan Deborah to the John Angstadt's on 10 Dec 59, Alexandria, Va. Address: 5305 Ashboro Drive. Barbara Zoe to Pat and Helen Morrison on 6 Jan 60 (#4 for them). Lee and Ellie Liveoak adopted a girl, Pamela, in Germany last September. Bill and Emily Jefferson adopted a girl, Alisa Ellen, on 8 Feb 60.

Congratulations to all the proud parents!

Al and Pam Lindholm, and two tow-headed boys, are now here at West Point teaching Russian during the week and skiing on the weekends. Al reports that Scotty Crevar is at Fort Hood where he is commanding a rifle company. Also at Fort Hood are John O. Cooper and Bob Rose. Fred Seibert is at Fort Benning for the Advanced Course. Ray Lesinski is now with Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Summerville, N.J., and Jack Morton is stationed at the Ranger School in Georgia. Rob Roy McGregor is at the Naval Post Graduate School studying nuclear engineering.

Ken and Lois Heitzke and little ones, Michelle 4 and Steven 1, are instructing in the Mechanics Department here and they gave me the following news: Hal and Doris Wheeler are at the AF Institute doing graduate work. Joe Sheard and Dick Durham are in Livermore, Calif. doing "cloak and dagger" work for the ASA. Rich and Ann Leonard are in California with the Engineers. In Rochester, N.Y. are Frank and Ruth Doyle. Ed and Sue Dinges are in Heidelberg studying German. They'll be returning this summer for assignment to the Foreign Languages Dept.

The Saffers are now living at 115 S. 24th St., Richmond, Ind., and Jane and "Whitey" Miller are at 7765-A Nelson Loop, Argonne Hills, Fort Meade, Md.

At Purdue University are Ed and

## Advanced Artillery Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma

Marilyn O'Hair. They're coming to the Ordnance Dept this year. Also, the Lacquemants are being assigned to the Ordnance Department this summer. I have heard that J. P. Wade and Dick Boyle are at the Univ of Virginia.

The classmates here at W.P. managed to knock heads together at a wonderful skating party at Smith Rink in Jan. The broom hockey was a fast and furious event but the 53'ers will never make the Olympic Squad!

Late news from Gertrud and Fred Glauner at Fort Ord via Joyce Friedersdorff. Ruth and Tom Tomlingson had a 9 lb. 6 oz. girl, Ann S., on 22 Oct 1959. Dave Wells, also at Ord, had orders for the Pentagon in January by may have been diverted to Stanford. He and Mary are both studying Portugese.

Correction to last article: Tom and Ruth Brian are Tom and Ruth Brain.

The Siffords, Bill and Pat had a baby girl, Diane, on 18 Feb 60. They are now living in 332½ Laurel Ave, Olean, N.Y. where Bill is on ROTC duty at St. Bonaventure.

Keep the news coming! Next deadline 1 June.

—Ed Andrews

Dept of Mechanics, USMA

### 1954

Greetings to all.

A large contingent in the Infantry Advanced Course at Fort Benning recently received their orders. According to a detailed report from Dick Ziegler, this is where the group is headed for: John Farrar to Army Language School, for Russian; Jim Scovel, Military Topography Department at West Point; George Calhoun, 82nd Airborne Division; George Guy, Army Language School, for Italian; Fletcher Ware to 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell; Dale Jenne and Don York to 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg; Carey Bacon, John Woodyard and Dion Johnson to 2d Division at Fort Benning; George Stenehjelm to 4th Division at Fort Lewis; Bill Harper and Pet Hall to Korea.

Ten from the Benning group have orders for ROTC duty at the following universities: Bill Cory at Illinois; Joe Macklin at Texas Tech; Don Bradbury at Norwich; Paul Schweikert at Ohio State; Don Old at Texas A&M; Don Alameda at Rutgers; Bib Gheen at Notre Dame; Bill Jesse at Texas A&M; Frank Percy at Washington; and Glen Stout at California.



Bottom Row—left to right: Leonard Fuller, Russ Parker, Mary Ellen Toreson; middle row: Natalie Andreas, Seley Fuller, Ann Parker, Caroline Chesbro, Regina Resley, Etta Mae Hannon; standing: Pete Witteried, Betty Witteried, Dave Richards, Mary Richards, Judy Miller, Bill Hannon, Jack Chesbro, Lowell Toreson, Bob Resley, and Paul Miller. Photo was taken by Charlie Andreas. Missing from the group were Joe and Marion Palumbo, Joe and Molly Ganahl, Hank Carrol, Jim Johnson, Bob McPherson, George and Marion O'Brien, Jim and Joan Sloan, Dick and Peggy Grinder, and the Lee Hallidays.

Headed for West Point via civilian schooling are John Bard, Lloyd Matthews. Ed Pawloski, George Kourakos, and Fred Qualls. And, finally, Lew Ginn and Dick Ziegler have orders to stay at Fort Benning with the staff and faculty.

Also stationed at Fort Benning at the present are Andre Lucas as an aide; Chuck Storrs and Jack Logan in the Ranger Department; and John Rogers, Beal Minturn, Cary Peyton, Tom Watlington, Tobin, Jim Ryan, Button Woodbury, Mark Reise, and Joe Peisinger.

Jim Williams writes from Puerto Rico that he may be transferred in early Summer to the Advanced Course at Fort Sill. While visiting Ramey Air Force Base recently, he spotted "Jack Charles breezing by on a motor scooter." Charles is now a captain, slated to return to the U.S. for orientation in B-52G aircraft.

Ben Schemmer (1231 S.W. 137th St.,

Seattle, Wash.) is a customer liaison engineer for Boeing's Aero-Space Division's contacts with the Army. Ben has been in this job since August, finds it thoroughly enjoyable, and spends about 30% of his time on the road.

Dick Hobbs has been chosen to receive an Olmstead Scholarship providing for two years of graduate study outside the English-speaking nations. He and his wife Diane will be in Monterey, Calif., until June, and then be off for the University of Lyons, France, to study International Relations from October '60 until June '62.

At New Mexico State University are Larry and Nancy Skibbie and Mark and Marilyn Ormsby. They're getting graduate degrees in mechanical engineering.

Jim Allison is in business for himself at Ocilla, Georgia, as a wholesale oil distributor for Pure Oil, plus having his own insurance agency. Jim and Mary make a trip to Fort Benning every now and then. They would like to know the whereabouts of Derrol Dennis and Leroy Chacon.

A large group from the class is at Wright-Patterson AFB in Dayton, Ohio, attending the Air Force Institute of Technology. Virginia Griggs sends a report on a recent class party at the officers' club there, plus a color slide which the editors of ASSEMBLY may have enough space to reproduce here. The Wright-Patterson group includes the Harlan Gurneys, Larry Drums, George Kronsbeins, Dan Hutchesons, John Stephensons, Leon Kortzes, Ike Corons, Al Schalks, Gus Freyers, Dick Voss'ers, Jack Horner, Earl Paynes, Dick Bentleys, James Daughtrys, and Leonard Griggses.



Class of 1954, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

The Kortzes represent the Army, and the Corons the civilians element; Ike is an engineer for Globe Industries and is attending the University of Dayton.

In the advanced course at Fort Monmouth are Larry Wilner, Fred Kersh, Ronnie Lee, Bill Hilsman, Tom Poor, and Hank Butler.

Bill Hauser reports that he is now engaged to Helga Pemsel, daughter of Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Max Joseph Pemsel in Germany. Don Shebat was married to Ingeborg Franke at Fort Bragg on October 10. Jim Johnson was married to Joan Callicott at Lawton, Okla., on September 5; Fred Attaya, now a civilian in Wichita Falls, Tex., was on hand as best man.

The latest crop of babies includes: Helen to Bill and Sis Haskell, Feb. 16; Daniel Christopher to Frank and Eleanor Sweeney, Jan. 31; Clifford to Larry and Inga Wilner, June 19; Ramon Ignacio to the Ted Sanchezes; Kimberly to Tom and Barbie Brown, Sept. 19; a boy to Natalie and Charlie Andreas, Dec. 10; a second daughter to Dick and Cay Kavanaugh.

Tom Brown, Don Porter and Jerry North are working for graduate degrees in engineering at University of Alabama. Bill Paul and George LaCour are at University of Arizona. Jim Healey is at Stanford University.

Jerry Curtis picked up a graduate engineering degree from Georgia Tech last year and is now a development engineer with RCA in Camden, N.J. Frank Sweeney is getting ahead with DuPont and now is supervisor of the company's polychemical sales service lab; his address is 2420 Hammon Place, Kirkwood Gardens, Wilmington, Del. Jan LeCroy is with Reynolds Aluminum in Richmond, Va.

Jack Porter has transferred to Corps of Engineers and is in Hanau, Germany. Bob Downey is at Fort Holabird, Maryland. Don Newnham is at Fort Baker, Calif. Dick Weaver is in Oahu. Larry McFarland is due back from Hawaii and a tour with MATS. Sam Fields is at Westover AFB, Mass. Hal Howes is still at Pinecastle AFB, Fla. Leon Bryant and Jim Moss are at Fairchild AFB, Wash. Jim Hays is in Washington as a nuclear effects engineer for the army map service. Ames Albro will soon be off for a tour as a military advisor in Iran. Ted Sanchez, now teaching at the Philippine Military Academy, was promoted to captain a year ahead of schedule. Ray Cassell is studying for the priesthood at Holy Cross College. Paul Reistrup is at 4129 N. Henderson Road, Arlington Va.; Ron Morris at 11735 College Dr., Silver Springs, Md.; and Jim Obendorfer at 7602 Larvalon St., Springfield, Va.

That's all the news of '54. Let us hear from you well before June 1st. Address is the same: James G. Plunkett, Tompkins Ave., Upper Nyack, New York. Best regards to all.  
—jim

## 1955

**BLACK, GOLD, GREY:** The date for Homecoming, and thus for our five year reunion, has been set (all things being relative, of course) for 8 October 1960. Remember to route your reservations for the Hotel Thayer and for the dinner-dance in Washington Hall the night of

8 October through the Association of Graduates. Addresses of other possible lodgings in the vicinity of West Point will be listed (space and advertising regulations permitting) at the end of this column.

**BRIDAL WHITE:** Elizabeth Ann Vincent became the newest member of the class wives when on Nov. 26, 1959, at Fort Benning, Ga., she became Mrs. Tom Craven. I make this next assertion without knowing the date or pertinent facts on the wedding of Don Olvey, who also joined the married ranks last Autumn.

**BABY BLUE AND PINK:** Leslie Susan, the fourth child of Don and Valerie Sutton was born 4 February 1960. Don is with the physical education department of the Air Force Academy. Ron and Barbara Weissenborn also have four children now.

Becky, the third child of John and Barbara Beoddy, was born 6 May 1959. John is now studying aeronautical engineering at AFIT, Dayton, Ohio, where John and Barbara have built a home. Karen Elaine, the second child of Al and Edie Edwards, was born 30 October 1959. Al is also studying aeronautical engineering, at MIT.

Sixty-six cents travel pay was the amount allotted to Al Oppel for his recent change of assignment from Reese AFB to AFIT, also in Lubbock, Texas. Al says he had no trouble adjusting to the new environment. Sandra Dianne, the first child of Al and Sally, was born 11 November 1959.

Dan and Maggi Dugan became parents on 13 December 1959; Daniel Shawn being the name that goes with the new face. Papa Dan is with the 1st Armored Division at Fort Hood. Jim Cooper also was passing out cigars in December, after his wife, Mary Helen, presented him with a daughter, Cynthia Ward, on the 18th. Jim is at the USAIC School at Fort Holabird, Maryland.

Early this year, Diane Elizabeth made her appearance in the Dick and Pat Baker home. After completing training in California to help him make the transition from the B-47 to the B-52, Dick will be assigned to Seymour-Johnson AFB, Goldsboro, North Carolina, to arrive this Fall. Bill and Ronnie McWilliams, now at Reese AFB, Texas, are expecting their second child in July.

In the last issue I reported the claim of the Duane Smetana's to the first son in the class born at West Point. The challenge was quickly taken up by John Schick. He and his wife, Ellen, report that their son, Lawrence Edward ("Butch"), was born at USAH West Point 4 April 1956, which gives him seventeen months seniority on young Smetana. Those of you wishing to challenge this new claim please remember that we did not graduate until June 1955. The Schicks also have a daughter, by the way, Nancy Ellen, born in Frankfort, Germany, 2 March 1958. John is now working on a Masters degree in mechanical engineering at Georgia Tech, prior to assignment to the MT&G Department at West Point. He and Ellen have bought a home in Atlanta.

**KHAKI, BLUE, AND CHARCOAL GRAY:** Having accounted for a number of new faces, we may now begin our quarterly search for the old ones.

**Spain:** This seems like a favorable place to begin any search. Since they are now signing their correspondence "Kitty y Echol," I think we may assume the Hayes' are well acclimated to their Spanish surroundings; Eck claims, however, that he's working so hard he scarcely has time for an afternoon siesta.

**Germany:** I guess it's about time we had that reunion, before we become too old and decrepit. Warren Jones reports that shining young faces from the USMA Class of '59 are showing up in number in Germany now, with some wild tales on the '55 Beast Detail. Warren, John Steakley, and Jim Grey are all with the 38th Infantry in Germany. Warren will report to the Infantry Advance Course at Fort Benning in August.

**Korea:** Norb Glidden is now serving in this scenic and historic part of the Orient. His wife Joyce plans to join her parents in Alaska for the duration.

**California:** Stan and Anna Harvill are now at Stanford, where Stan is working for a Masters degree in civil engineering. Stan and Carla Sydenham are stationed at Fort Ord.

**Colorado (and environs):** Bill Cummings claims he is stationed at Camp Carson, but if you are looking for him on weekends, try Mexico. His transportation blew a rod or something on the last trip (it's uphill coming back), and he was grounded for awhile; but I think we may assume that was very temporary.

**Texas:** Russ Hodges is currently an instructor at Randolph AFB, up-grading pilots into jet flight. He, Irene, and Peggy are scheduled to report to Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, in February, 1961.

Bob and Phyl Chapman are currently at Fort Bliss, with a "newsy supplement" to a Christmas card promised in the near future (never put your promises in writing).

Fort Hood is the home of a number of classmates, some newly arrived and some who bear re-mentioning for their endurance. Don Olvey has recently returned to Hood after six months TDY in Iran. He is mentioned earlier in the column for another accomplishment. Also given credit under a different heading is Danny Dugan, who is with CCA at Fort Hood. Having been at Hood with the Second Armored Division since the Gyroscope of the Winter of 57-58 are Don Poorman, Jim Bergen, Chuck Schuh, and Charlie Gersitz. Don and Jim are both aides to Major General Wheeler, Post and Second Armored Division Commander. Chuck Schuh is a company commander in the 58th Infantry, Charlie Gersitz a company commander in the 124th Ordnance. Formerly with the Second Armored Division, but now Aide to Brigadier General Franklin F. Wing, Jr., CG of Combat Command A, 1st Armored Division, is Bob Strati. Bob, Pat, and their two daughters, Teresa and Kathleen Sue, look tentatively for an assignment to the Infantry Advanced Course this Summer. Company commanders in the 37th, 66th, and 67th Armor, respectively, are Mike Garn, John Passafiume, and Jim Eddins.

**Georgia:** Wives take heed. The Fort Benning Class of '55 stag club, described in the last issue of ASSEMBLY, has proved such an astounding success that they have had to publish their own alphabet-

cal roster to keep track of their membership. Extracting from the roster, we find Billy Arthur, Bill Lozier, Ted Livesay, Sandy McDonald, Ed Nidever, and Bill Wilcox with the Second Infantry Division. Phil Blanton, John Brown, Dick Bean, Bill Haas, Dan Malone, Tom Mullan, Bill Peters, Hugh Quinn, and Ed Trobaugh are with the Ranger Department. Fred Bliss, Jim Barker, Jerry Denman, Dick Hoeferkamp, Bob Norse, Al Parker, and Norm Smith are with other departments of the Infantry School. The popularity of this club is becoming so widespread that the roster carries two names of classmates not even assigned to Fort Benning: Richie Johnson, with Army aviation at Fort Rucker, Alabama, and John Schick who, as mentioned earlier, is in Atlanta. Durf McJoynt is now stationed at Turner AFB, Albany, Georgia.

**Alabama:** Bill, Anna, and Peter Axup are now residing at Redstone Arsenal while Bill attends the University of Alabama. Bud Hall, Phil Bouchard, and George Blitch are stationed at Maxwell AFB.

**Florida:** At last report, Bob Thornquist was at Tyndall AFB in Ground Controlled Intercept School, prior to assignment to a GCI site in Maine.

**Kentucky:** "Skip" and Marty MacDonald are stationed at Fort Campbell.

**Illinois:** Jerry and Mary Lou Gilpin are at Chanute AFB, where Jerry is Aide to Gen. Ganey.

**Iowa:** A sizeable contingent from the class have invaded Iowa State University, at Ames. They include: Bud and Bonnie DeMaris and daughter, Patti Jo; Dick and Beverly Gray, and daughters, Lee and Susan; Stan and Ida Mae Johnson, and sons, Andrew and Bradley; Bob and Marvel LaFrenz; Dan and Donna Ludwig, and sons, Danny and Don; Franz and Joan Schauer, and children, Marie Margaret, Barbara Ann, and Franz Peter, Jr.; and Bob and Nancy Meisenheimer, and daughter, Kelly. Bud and Fran are majoring in structural engineering, with a minor in nuclear engineering; "Meise" is majoring in nuclear engineering. The rest are majoring in sanitary engineering with a minor in nuclear engineering.

**Ohio:** John Sloan is at Ohio State studying for a Masters degree in geodesy and civil engineering. Lee McKinney and Dick Wargowsky are doing graduate work at Wright-Patterson AFB.

**Michigan:** Another substantial campus outpost of the class of '55 is the University of Michigan. Tom Brooks is working for a Masters degree in general physics there. Also at Ann Arbor are Chuck Domeck, Tom Horst, Jerry Lewis, Jim Miller, Bill Streett, and Reed Stone, of whom Reed is the only Air Force representative.

**New York:** Pete and Barbara Hornbarger have bought a home in Buffalo, where Pete is now a representative of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, having left the Air Force in November, 1959. Steve, Violet, Nancy Ann, and Stephen Matuszak are now living in New York City. Steve is an editor-analyst for Value Line Investment Survey, as well as a student in the Graduate School of Business at New York University.

**Massachusetts:** Bill, Mary Ellen, Cindy, and Linda Wix are in Bedford for a two year stay while Bill attends MIT.

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**Who Knows:** This category probably should have been slipped in earlier, somewhere between Texas and Florida. "Zeke" Rundle passed through here (Wisconsin) a few weeks ago in his Mercedes, heading south, and intent on getting an engineering job in Latin America. It is Mardi Gras time at this writing, so I imagine his location could be pinpointed for a day or two; but after that, well keep your eyes open for that Mercedes.

**Pennsylvania:** "Lou" Crandall is now out of the service; he and Joanne are living in the Philadelphia area.

**Rhode Island:** Contrary to the location reported in the last ASSEMBLY, Jim and Madge Fleeger are now with the 56th Missile Brigade in Coventry, Rhode Island.

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I have just received the tragic news of the death of Frank Chura's wife, Rita, in an auto accident in the Spring of 1959. Frank has two sons. On behalf of the class I should like to extend to Frank our belated but nonetheless heartfelt sympathy.

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**QUICKSILVER:** Reports of the first captains in the class are drifting in. Although I believe this list to be incomplete, congratulations to Ed Rumsey, Al Rupp, Dave Burroughs, and Paul Martin! To others of you who may have been promoted but are not here acknowledged, we salute you in your anonymity (and may have to in your uniform). I shall try to get a complete and up-to-date list for next issue. Let's hope it's a long one.

**BLACK, GRAY, GOLD:** That reunion date again: 8 October. Here are those addresses as promised (thanks to the resourcefulness of Mike Stevenson):

1. Bear Mountain Inn, Bear Mountain, N.Y.
2. West Point Arms Hotel, 2 Main Street, Highland Falls, N.Y.
3. West Point Motel, 361 Main Street, Highland Falls, N.Y.
4. West Point Inn, 221 Main Street, Highland Falls, N.Y.
5. By-Pass Motel, Route 9W, Highland Falls, N.Y.
6. Storm King Arms, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y. (On HW 218, 5 mi. north of West Point).
7. Cornwall Inn, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y. (On HW 218, 5 mi. north of West Point).
8. Old Oak Hotel, Fort Montgomery, N.Y.
9. Cadet Motor Court, P.O. Box 64, Cornwall, N.Y. (On HW 9W, 8 miles north of West Point; 12 units).
10. Windsor Motels Inc., State Highway, New Windsor, N.Y. (On HW 9W, 10 mi. north of West Point; 22 units).
11. Fonte's Motor Court, State Highway, New Windsor, N.Y. (On HW 9W, 10 mi. north of West Point).

—John Lovell  
Apt. 205D Eagle Heights  
Madison 5, Wisconsin

## 1956

It's that time of the year again, so here's the latest doings of '56 from you to me—and back to you again. The Wilker Christmas mail bag was bulging with cards from all over the World again.

Dick Parker sent a cheery greeting from the 2nd Recon Sq., 7th Cav. at Hohenfels, Germany and Bob Nicholson along with his Carolyn and their two sons, Bobby and Allen, followed suit from the 1st Bn 2nd A/C somewhere in Germany. A card from Lincoln, Neb arrived with a cute picture of Ed and Jo Ellen Vallenty's children, Gavin and Dellne. Greg, Iline and Vicki Wold reported in from Rockford, Ill, where Greg is employed with the Sundstrand Corp. Bob and Marlene Schuler asked to be remembered in Germany where Bob has extended for six months as S-3 for the 42nd Arty Grp. Neale, his wife, Bonnie, and Austin, Ruth Marie and Margaret Luft sent best wishes from Bangor, Maine. They had the Ken Lang and Merrill Green families over for the Army-Navy game along with other grads from West Point and Annapolis. A greeting from Myra Withers revealed that her Ken is an advisory S-4 to the 102nd Korean Bn. and will return to the States in April '60. The Withers have also seen Harry Crandall who reported to the 101st at Ft. Campbell this past December. They further reported the Ward Le Hardy's new baby, a junior, and the impending arrival of a third child to Don and Carole Little. The Le Hardy's are at Campbell while the Little's are with the 23rd Engr. Bn. outside of Frankfurt, Germany. Dave Larr asked to be remembered from his N.Y.C. residence. He's employed by Minneapolis-Honeywell. Ken, Rita, Danny and Michael Knowles forwarded a Christmas wish from White Plains, N. Y. Farrell, Nancy and little David Patrick attached a note to their card and indicated that they would be most happy to receive a visit from any member of '56. Their address is Bldg. 211, Apt. L-7, Peden Barracks, in Wertheim, Germany. Nancy and David joined Farrell by way of the Queen Mary last June.

John and Diane Stevenson announce the arrival of their third child, Patricia Marie, March 13th in Heidelberg.

Tom Bowes finally broke through the inertia barrier and wrote a fine letter. He's on orders to Korea, as was Barry Bynell (Barry is now with the 4th Missile Command). Mel Wuest, Jeff Childs, Whit Coats and he were all with the 2nd Missile Command throwing rockets all around Fort Hood. Vern Ebert joined the 2nd after returning from Korea. Charley Singletary is flying for the 1st Armored Div. at Hood and presently plans to become a Chaplain. To answer your question, Tom, as far as I know, Jack Scholz is still attending Purdue. Report in, Jack, wherever you are.

Barry Turner is now hitting the books along with Steve Beebe at New Mexico A. & M. Steve is an E. E. major while Barry is concentrating on mechanical engineering. Both are in the Ordnance Corps. Connie Ege is reported to be Gen. Barklay's aide at Redstone Arsenal.

Mario Nicholas hosted a welcome-home party for Dick Sylvester who, after completing his studies at Oxford, is reporting to Ft. Sill and the Artillery. The location of the party was Big Spring, Texas, and most of '56 at Webb AFB were able to attend. Those present were the Schanneps, the Campises, the Ernsts, Dick Sylvester, Bob Stein, Tom Ross and, naturally, the Nicolais. I'm including a group shot of the gathering to indicate how the Class families are growing.

George Withers wrote from his supply officer position with the 36th Engineer Group in Uijogbu, Korea. Sam Gates is with the same outfit, and Dick Curl resides with the nearby 44th Engr. Bn (Constr.). All three of the above will leave Korea in April. Sam and Dick will attend the U. of Illinois while George will join the scholars at M.I.T. While on R&R in Japan, George visited with Al and Anna Carr. Al is aide to Brig. Gen. Carraway, father of our own Joe Carraway, I do believe. Al and Anna saw Phil Farmer on his way to Korea, but his present exact coordinates are unknown. George saw Ed Caldwell while he was stationed with the 304th Signal Bn. in Seoul.

Irv Mayer, his Judy and their offspring, Deborah and Karen wrote from M.I.T. to mention that papa will have his Masters in Astronautical Engineering by June and he hopes to be representing the Air Force with some of our nation's missile makers. I'll be looking forward to seeing you at Rocketdyne, Irv.

Bob Sorley wrote his complete opinion concerning the pros and cons of a Class Reunion in fall of '61. I'll forward this on to Mike Conrad, Bob. In the meantime, thanks for your attention to this matter and good luck in your 2nd Armored Cav. assignment in Germany. By the way, Class opinion is about 50-50 on the subject of which is preferable for our 5th Reunion—June Week or the Homecoming Game in the Fall of '61. Naturally, I want to hear from all of you, so tell me how you feel about this subject.

Dorothy Beyer wrote for husband, Bob, and noted that they are now located at George AFB in California where Bob is jockeying the F-102. Other Air Force news is as follows: Charon and Lisle Kendall are also at George where Lisle is flying the hot F-104 for the 476th F.I.S. Ben, Becca and little Erica Sue Tindall live in a unit next to the Beyer's. Bill and Betsy Carey are in Madison, Wis. where Bill is flying the 102 for the 325 F.I.S. Bill and Betsy are expecting child number three and already boast of Chris and Julie.

Marty and Doris plus Glenn Alan Zimmerman have a Washington D.C. assignment following Marty's Stanford gradua-

tion. Gus and Ellen Johnson with their daughters, Mead and Kate, will return from Germany and report to Ft. Knox. Bruce Wallace's Betita and their children, Bruce and Wendy, returned for a brief vacation in the states and were entertained by Cherie Kendall. Don and Jo Ackerman announce a girl, Cherylyn Kay, born 27 December 1959. The Ackerman's will move their residence to England soon. Vern and Nancy Van Vonderen joined the baby parade by welcoming little Robert, 29 December. Papa Vern will complete his U. of Colorado studies this Summer and join the Chemistry Department at the Air Force Academy. Bob Stewart is flying the 102 out of Richards-Gebaur AFB in Kansas City, Mo. and Buzz and Gail Lyn call Myrtle Beach ABB, S.C., home. Bob and Pat Brown, Paul Daugherty and Bob Barrett are residing at Pope AFB near Fayetteville, N.C. There's a rumor that Bob Barrett has become hitched. Don't be bashful, Bob. Denny and Barri Butler are anxiously awaiting a change of assignment from Sidi Slamain, Morocco where Denny flies F-86-D's. The Butlers now have two children, Beth and Denny Jr.

The word from the Los Angeles area is that Jim Lane is attending graduate school at U. S. C. and is studying the Motion Picture Arts. The Lanes dropped in on our home in Canoga Park on Sunday, and we had a pleasant chat. Some of the news they contributed follows: Wally and Toby Urbach with their three children are now at Ft. Leavenworth. Ed Holloway is a civilian and is attending Law School. Ed's address is 8501 Van Buren, Ft. Washington, Washington 22, D.C. John Kalfelz is out of the Army and is residing with his wife, "Pity", in the Techwood Apts., Atlanta, Ga. John is trying for his Masters Degree in Nuclear Science at Georgia Tech.

Mike Esposito, his wife Janet, and V.J.III are expected to be the house guests of the Wilkers about April 2nd. Mike is slated for two years at U. C. L. A. to major in Astronomy or Space Physics. Jim Paradise, who has been working side by side with Mike in Hawaii, will arrive stateside and will leave for a period of graduate study on the U. of Illinois campus (Civil Engineering). When Mike

wrote, he also mentioned that Gene Eastburn will attend Texas A & M in June, Angelo Bortolutti has a mysterious special assignment with the Signal Corps on the Islands, and Chuck Garvey, with the 35th Infantry, won the General I. D. White Military Stakes Competition, which, I understand, is comparable to the "Buckner Stakes". The Paradise's boast of a new arrival, Carlene, to give their daughter, Donna, company, and the Chuck Garvey's are expecting soon.

The Wilkers are still coasting along and hoping that more classmates will take time to write and visit us. Recently, my title has been changed from "Test Engineer" to "Program Administrator", and I am called upon to travel a fair amount to visit potential customers and prepare contractual terms. During a recent trip to St. Louis, I stumbled over Paul Lasley in the air terminal and discovered that he is presently assigned to Korea. Paul was sporting both jump and aviation wings on his tunic, but hopes to be able to participate in more troop duty during his Korean tour. Here's hoping that my hopping around the country will uncover still more Class news. Be seeing you, I hope.

—Stan Wilker  
22439 Marlin Place  
Canoga Park, California

## 1957

*In barren glen the woodbine  
twineth  
And hoary elm shed winter's icy  
mantle . . .*

And in the 50th state we sit once again to compile the class news for the spring of 1960. First of all, a correction to the last column: Bill and Frances Burke's baby was a boy, named Randy.

Frank Desimone needs a recording of the '57 Hundredth Night Show. Any one who has a lead on one, please contact either him or me. He's aide to the CG, 25th DivArty. Don Wells, another errant bachelor, left in December to become aide to CG, USARJ Log Command in Tokyo. It's a one year tour, during which time he plans to be married. Joan Tullington presented BJ with 7 lb, 4 oz boy on 28 January, who was promptly dubbed Joseph Edward. Bill Teale has branch-transferred to QM and is in the 25th QM Company, still unattached, maritally. Mal and Nan Duffek returned recently from a week's safari to Japan, where Mal was enlightened in mind, spirit, and wallet. Sam Morthland, down at Hickam, is still working the swing shift in Air Intelligence. Bud Miller is currently cooling it in the 14th Infantry S-4 shop. Wally and Pat Summers arrived this week and were assigned to the 21st Infantry; Bill Duncan is programmed to come to the Wolfhounds in May. John Follansbee leaves in May, and after summer school at Cornell, will take a four year leave of absence to study medicine. Chuck and Lorraine Radler's second child, Michelle Rayne, arrived 29 December.

John and Penny Ledbetter are living in Manhattan, from whence John commutes each day to Ft. Slocum and his Nike battery. Penny is still modeling. Charlie Hug is nearby at Picatinny Arsenal, having recently branch-transferred to Ordnance. Julio and Phil Heurtematte, with son Douglas, are living in Brooklyn. Julio is with a consulting engineering firm.



Sitting—left to right: Helen Schanep, Carol Campis holding Leslie Campis, Marg Ernst holding her Marilys, Rosemarie Nicholais. Standing: Dick Sylvester, Bob Stein, Jack Schanep, Dick Campis holding Jolie, Don Ernst, Mario Nicholais and Tom Ross.

Frank Cross dropped a line from Korea, where he is assigned to the 258th Signal Co (Const) in Seoul. Says he likes it fine so far, but took a bad beating from his cohorts at Army-Navy time (guess we all did).

Bob Arnold is exec of a Nike battery in the Boston defense at Squantum, Mass. Jean and daughter Kimberley (now almost two) are fine. John (I-1) Murphy is in the same battalion and has a son, John. Guy and Sue Palmieri's second child, Ann, is about six months old now. Son David is a little over two years. Guy and Oakie O'Conner are in the same Hercules battery in Lincoln, Mass. Oakie has a daughter, Corrine, who is about one year old.

Giles Harlow, while on SAC alert, sent some poop from the dust bowl at Lubbock, Texas. They have a new son, Douglas M, born 4 August. Says Gene Beimforde and Bob Jones are at Forbes AFB in Topeka. Larry Murphy and Buck Rodgers are at Vance in Enid, Oklahoma, and Mike Petruno (the USAF's answer to Mike Hammer) at Offutt AFB. Paul Chase and Freddy Wells are instructing at Craig AFB and spend half their time in Las Vegas. Joe Masterson is in B-52s at (illegible, Giles), Arkansas. The Bill Webbs are at Castle AFB with daughter and dog.

Ex roommate Bill Foster wrote from Hamilton AFB where he is flying F-104s. Says the new bird is wonderful. With him are Doug Patterson and Ben Glyphis, jockeying F-101s.

Irene Gleason wrote from Lackbourne AFB, where they've resided for the past year. They are understandably proud of their fine daughter Maureen and son John Kevin. Bob and Cathy Lamb are also at Lackbourne, and have a darling daughter Terri. Barbara, Jerry, Nancy, and Diane Jagrowski are stationed at Ethan Allan AFB in Vermont. Herb and Denise Rice are at Davis-Monthan AFB with daughters Leslie and Laurie. Peggy and Fred Krafft have one son, Geoffrey, and are at Dover, Del. Ed Gee, at McChord AFB, flies through Hawaii fairly often. He and Phyllis have a son, Gary, with another on the way. Babara and Joe O'Neill are at Schilling AFB with daughter Sharon, 1½. Bob McCoy is supply officer at Forbes . . . and Marci have one child. Clara Smith is sitting out Dave's 13 month Korea tour at home.

Don Baughman is with Missile Master (FDC computer for Washington-Baltimore Nike defense) at Ft Meade, Md. Living in government-leased civilian housing, he's a confirmed suburbanite. Don heard from Jay Anderson (ex I-2) who graduated from Georgia Tech with masters in Architectural Engineering. Now living in Atlanta, Jay's married to a southern belle.

Ralph Miles, after returning from Korea, conquered an attack of infectious hepatitis, then went to the 84th Engr Bn at Ft Ord. As detachment commander at Squaw Valley, he constructed drainage facilities for the recent winter olympics. Ralph heard from Bob and Midge Wessel, who had their second son last May. They're at Pease AFB, flying for SAC. Pete Chittick, from Ft Ord, John Stokes from Ft Lewis, Jim Salzman from Ft Gordon, and Stan Pore from Ft Campbell were all TDY this winter to the Cold Weather & Mountain school at Ft Greely, Alaska. Ray and Marianne Bell have a daughter, Deborah Abbot. He is with the

1/32 Armor, 3d Armored Division in Germany.

Bill Bailey dropped a Christmas Card from Berlin. He's in G-3, Berlin Command. He and Cory like the duty and have no heirs present or in transit.

Jim Murphy has completely relaxed into the Oxford way of life and is extending his capacity to think, understand, and enjoy. He spent last summer in Italy and Germany, basking in the sun and visiting classmates with USAREUR. He extends an invitation to all to visit him at 6B Norham Gardens, Oxford. Jim attended Bill Huckabee's wedding on 5 December at Bournemouth, England. Church and Woozle Matthews had a girl, Carolyn Michelle, on 22 September at Augsburg. Jerry and Barbara Schumacher's little girl, Sheri Lynn, weighing 7lb, 2oz, was born 8 Sept.

Ordnance officer Ted Felber spent October in the S-3 shop of the 19th Infantry; stayed with the battle group to take the ATT despite his branch transfer.

Tom Olsen is with the 2/28 Infantry in Munich and spends most of his off-duty time touring Europe in an Austin-Healey.

Sam Morthland passed along a couple of letters from Bernie Penrose and Dick White. Bernie is now in the Signal Corps, and Dick in grad school at Ohio State, studying Physics prior to returning to the AF Academy.

Len and Dee Marella dropped us a Christmas card from Fontainebleau, France, where they're with the 298th Sig Co (NATO). They have a daughter, Tammy, born last July.

Dave Preletz is now with the Navy in California as a Mechanical Engineer. Still 100 proof and feeling fine.

Russ Ramsey filled us in with a complete dossier on goings-on in the 101st at Ft Campbell. Much of the poop is obsolete now, as most classmates were receiving orders as it was written. The report which follows is a composite of Russ' letter and one written a few days later by Gary Stemley. Russ and Linda have one daughter, Ellen. He is motor officer with the 327th. Gary is Recon & Survey officer with "E" battery, 319th Artillery; he and Eileen have a young daughter named Jeannette. He reports to Korea on 11 April. In the 327th are Les and Ann Bennett with son and daughter. Les is assistant S-1. Stan Pore runs the group UAC, and he and Marci are expecting. Scotty and Gail Hamner have two boys. Jack and Sue Block have a little boy and Jack has the Assault Gun platoon. Marsh Moore is TDY to the Airborne School as S-1. Over in the 187th Infantry, Jack and Mary Jo Adams are expecting. Jack is assistant S-3. Bob and Coleen Beckwith are SD to the CBR school and have no children. Bob had an argument with a 4.2" mortar sub-calibre device and spent several weeks in the hospital. He's fine now. Luke and Alicia Easterwood are in D Co, where Luke is exec. Blinky and Patti Schorr now have a daughter Cathrine. Tom and Jan Shuff have two children. Ed Scvetez was a stand-out on the Post football team last fall. Chico Stone and Leon Bieri are still confirmed bachelors. Milt Ewanuz, over in the 501st, also played football and is batching it. John Hocker is Assistant S-3 and has orders for Germany in January. Tom Kehoe is Hq Co CO, and he and Kay have one daughter, Kathy. Len Hanewald is exec of C Co, and Dan

McCrary is SD to the Airborne School where he is S-4. Will and Phyllis Christensen are in E Company. Mike McCarthy has the Assault Gun platoon of the 502d. Les and Charli Tate have one daughter, Toni. Nick Wilson is SD to the NCO Academy. Glenn and Mary Jo Rhoades are in E Co. John Sankey is LNO for Mortar Battery, and Dick Edwards the exec of B Co. Bachelor Tom Bainbridge is Ass't S-3. Bob and Ellie Dagle are in B Co 506th Inf, and have one daughter, Linda. Bob coached the group basketball team this winter. Al Ensign is exec of B Co and he and Jean have no children. Earl and Diane Pettibone are expecting their first. Bob and Gail Reynolds and son Doug are with the 506th S&T platoon; he has recently transferred to Ordnance. Dwight and Virginia Aller have one son, Mark, and are expecting number two. Dwight is Assault Gun platoon leader. Andy and Medeline Johnson recently transferred to Ordnance. Rod and Ruth McConnell, expecting, are with the Mortar Battery. From the 501st Signal Bn, Darold Erickson was another standout on the Campbell football team last fall. He and Patti have one son and have orders to Paris. Tom and Karan McDonald are in A Company. Over in the 326th Engineer Battalion are Homer Johnstone, Tom and Ann Olsen, Steve Quatennens, Bob Tener (S-2), Joe and Patsy Bishop (another stalwart on the football team) and Bernie and Elise Basse with daughter Allison. Also from the 326th are Ace Cross and Jerry McCall, aide to General Westmoreland.

Jim Chernault is motor officer with Hq Company of the Command and Control Battalion. Fletch Elder is flying L-19s in the Aviation Company. With him, flying L-20s, are Jim and Susie Woolnough, with son.

Over in Div Arty are Ed and Scotty Cutler with daughter Cathy. Ed is FDO of C Battery, 321st. Bill Eschevarria, soon to be married, is FDO of C Battery. Charlie and Mary Ann Williams are in A Battery, 377th (Little John). Charlie and Sandy Moses, with son Scott, have effected a branch transfer to Ordnance, and are scheduled to start school at the U of Mexico in February. Jim Hamilton is in D Battery of the 319th. Wes Kidd is DivArty signal officer, and he and Alice are expecting their first. Spooky Alsheimer recently left for Ft Bragg and XVIII Airborne Corps HQ, where he will be aide to Gen. Sink.

Next deadline is 1 June; please, let's have more poop lots more, and have it in soon enough so that it can be compiled in an orderly, leisurely manner.

—George Kilishek  
3812-D Collier Street  
APO 957, c/o PM  
San Francisco, California

## 1958

Each day another of us turns a corner. So little time, so much to do, so young, so busy.

Don Johnson took Patricia Yvonne Carlson for his wife on the 21st of November at the Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lynchburg, Va. Chuck Davis married Barbara Small on the 26th of December in Selma, Alabama. Chuck is a flight instructor in T-33's at Laredo AFB, Texas.

Jim Ryan, now stationed with SAC at Whiteman AFB, Missouri, was married to Betty Jo Biebel of Syracuse, N.Y. at St. Mary Magdalen's Catholic Church in San Antonio, Tex. Patricia Ann McGowan of Collins, Miss. became Mrs. Thomas Davies on 19 December, 1959.

Jim and Mary Ruth Peck are with "A" Co, 1st Engr Bn, Fort Riley, Kansas, where Jim is Company Commander. Married last December, Jim had Denny Rupprecht as his best man and Curt Stender and John Marshall as ushers.

Lenny McCormack renounced bachelorhood on Nov. 17 when he became engaged to Carol Donahy of Saugus, Mass. Len plans his marriage to be on April 30. Another wedding planned for April is that of Dick Gell and Joanne Kay Beetle in Dexheim, Germany. John "Goose" Gordon is to be married in May to Henrietta Milner.

Bill Murphy writes from Fort Bragg that he plans to leave the unmarried ranks in July when he will marry Francoise Outin from Algiers, Algeria. He invites one and all to his wedding. Bill is in "D" Co, 2d ABG, 503d Inf. If rumor from Randolph AFB is correct, Dick Johnson will have a wife named Jeanne by the time this news reaches you. The Johnsons will remain at Randolph AFB, Tex.

At Fort Campbell, Paul and Ev Ciasullo have a young son, Paul, Jr., to join daddy in the free-fall club. Paul, Jr., who has Sam Benjamin as his Godfather, came the day after Paul, Sr. made his first jump. Paul is a Recon Platoon Leader.

Perhaps I spoke too soon in announcing John and Karee Roe's young'uns as the first twins in the Class. Terry and Harriet Connell were blessed with two little girls on April 24, 1959, Elizabeth Lee and Anne Leslie. Big girls now, they keep the Connells hopping at 259 Spear Drive, Fort Bragg. Terry is S-2 of "A" Co, 307th Engr Bn—same unit as Bob Bunker, Sam Collins and Don Palladino, who just completed the jumpmaster course. It is rumored that Jay Levasseur also is the proud father of twins and I understand Clark and Phyl Bailey had twin boys born in December.

Frank and Anne Smith announced the arrival of their first fledgling, Frank, in

October. Terry and Jackie Howard announced the birth of a son, Charles Terrence, on January 10. George and Ginny Klotzbach are proud parents of a son, Mark, born last November. In Mineral Wells, Texas Ron and Debbie Short have a brand new baby girl, Carlene Elizabeth. At 10832 Lock Avon, Whittier, Calif., Neil and Carole Mathis have a young son, born to them on 28 December, and they have named him Robert Daniel. Bill and Joan Melnik, now in Georgia, have a baby girl, Mary Ruth, born at Randolph AFB.

In Panama, Dick and Barbara Klosowski have a son, Tommy. Really enjoy the life there according to Bob Degen. Ed Dodd and Gerry Capelle, both Platoon Leaders in "D" Co, 20th Inf at Fort Kobbe, Canal Zone, recently participated in anti-riot action in Panama. At last word, Ed's wife, Kathy, was living at 830 First Ave., Ford City, Pa., and Gerry's wife, Arlene, is with him at Fort Kobbe.

Alex Johnston, with "D" Co, 3d Engr Bn in Munich, Germany, is now the proud daddy of a daughter, Deborah L., born on 12 January. Tony Smith, "A" Co., 3d Engr Bn, is also a new father—a son, Anthony A., Jr., born on 15 December. Les Gibbings, with "C" Co, 2d Inf's 2d BG also in Germany, has a son, Thomas Leslie, born on 15 January. A daughter, Julia Katherine, was born to Lon and Susie Spurlock on January 19. Lon is with the 3d Armored Div at Friedburg, Germany and quite busy with LeClerc matches now.

Carole and Chuck Hansult send much news from Vance AFB, where his flight class finished in September. Chuck is with KC-97's in the 340th Air Refueling Squadron at Whiteman AFB, Mo. Ken Phillips and his wife, Aliceann, were in the same group. Ken went into B-47's along with "Tex" Lenart. Ken Clark, his wife and new son went to Japan where he flies C-121's. Chuck Cabell and Burt Miller went into single engines—I know not where. John McKillop is in multi-engines and Phil Raign is flying F-100's at Luke AFB. His wife, Stephanie, is with him. I'm told the Don McCulloughs are in North Dakota joined by a young'un.

Norb and Ginie Hulsman are settled in Maryland in a three-bedroom ranch-style home. Norb works in the "blue

room", Missile Master Center for the Washington-Baltimore area. The Hulsmans are proud "parents" of a 40-pound basset named Humphrey. Tom Cameron, stationed with NIKE at Fort George Meade, Md., is planning on a switch to Ordnance this June. Indications by mail seem to show quite a number of interested classmates. "Is" and Betty Wrubel are in Washington, D.C. Is is on a NIKE site just outside of Fairfax, Va. and is attending a course in law at George Washington.

The Class joins me, I know, in sending its condolences to Tom Davies on the death of his dad, Col. Davies, at Brooke Medical Center on 12 January. Col. Davies had retired in '53 after 42 years of service.

On November 21, Hawaii was the scene of the first '58 get-together since branch schools. Paul Johnson's wife, Paula and Doug Sedgwick's wife, Linda, made most of the arrangements for the turnout held at the Schofield Barracks Officers' Club. Thanks to Ken Montgomery I'm able to publish the photo of those present—Ann and Linc Jones, Ruth Ann and Wayne Wyatt, Sally and Garth Payne, Ethel and Clyde Brown, Mary and Ken Montgomery, Sara and Bill Cooper, Vivian and Dick Reynard, Jackie and Art Mace, Georgia and Nelson Conner, Beverly and Dick Graves, Barbara and Wick Zimmer, Judy and John Holecck, Linda and Doug Sedgwick, Pat and Pete Hidalgo, Sue and Van VanFleet, Yvonne and Jim Godbey, Paula and Paul Johnson, Ron Turner and Phil DiMauro. Know you'll be surprised to see Lt. Col. and Mrs. Rienzi in the picture. He's with CINCPAC. Not shown in the picture but part of the Hawaii crowd are Jude and Joan Theibert, Tom Orr, Bob Gall (who, by the way, flew back to Philadelphia for the last A-N game), Norm and Toni Gustitus, Denny Bruzina, Bob Moscatelli, Cliff and Noreen Victorine and John and Lois Deely.

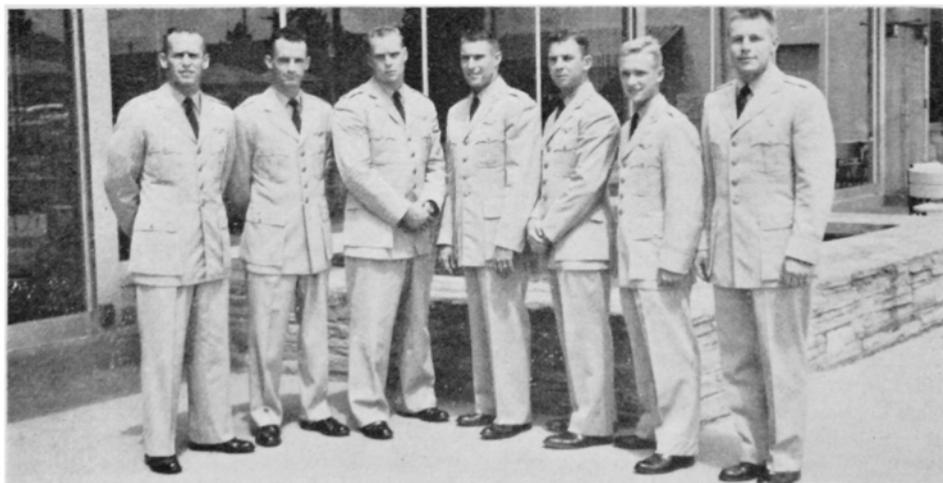
Of the 31 classmates in Hawaii, it's interesting to note 24 are married, they share 14 children and are expecting at least 8 more before June. Brave souls, those 7 bachelors there: Ron Turner, Jack Carson, Phil DiMauro, Tom Orr, Bob Gall, Denny Bruzina and Bob Moscatelli.

The Johnsons have a girl, Melissa, born in March; the Montgomerys a boy, Earl, born in May; Clyde and Ethel Brown have a boy, Perry; the VanFleets, a girl, Bonnie Sue; the Wyatts, a boy, Scott and a girl, Kim; the Robinsons, a boy, Jimmy and the Holeccks, a son born in December. Ken writes most are now living on post and are fairly close neighbors. Many of the infantrymen have taken the EIB test—now waiting for results. He also writes that in talking with visiting Thai officers, it appears Pete Kullavanijaya and Sam Sookmak are doing a fine job.

Most recent arrivals in Hawaii are Jim, Gerry and Jimmy Jones. There are also many new Army Air arrivals—Chuck and Karen Teeter, Jim and Yvonne Godbey with son James, Jr. (Cricket) and poodle Napoleon, Andy and Joan Andreson and their two girls, Lucy and Lyn, and Bob and Estelle Tredway with their wee one, Kathy.

The beer city of Munich, Germany was also the scene of a class reunion on December 5. Headquarters for the siege of Munich's famed Hofbrauhaus was Bill Harry's home. Bill Graf also did much of the work in preparing the re-

## '58 Graduation at Craig AFB, Alabama



Left to right: Mac Williams, Chuck Davis, Stan Slater, Tony Munger, Dan Yarr, Walt Patterson, Fred Schluter.

## Class of '58 Reunion Party

union. Jerry Mitchell and his wife, Neva (who with daughter, "Niki", live in Wertheim where Jerry is FO with an 8-inch outfit) stayed with Rube and Lorelei Waddell who just recently arrived from flight school. Orlie Hill and wife, Harriet, Tony and Barb Evans, Kev and May Brown, Sandy Evans, Dick Gell and "Bin" and Judy Barta also joined in the fun. John Herren writes, "We had about sixty people there and dominated the Hofbrauhaus. Sounded like Joe King's Rathskeller when Kev Brown, Tony Evans, Bill Graf, Bill Shepherd, "Dusty" Rhodes and all gathered around to sing "On Brave Old Army Team." John is with the 2d Inf, along with Les Gibbings and Barry Zwick.

George Klotzbach, Will Smith, Jerry Dunn, Dick Osborn, "Chaz" Porciello and Jim Rossetto recently completed navigation school at Connally AFB, Tex. George is at Kessler in the ground electronics school. Will, Chaz and Jim are in the EWO (electronic warfare officer) school. Along with Olen Brown, from there they will go to SAC, TAC or ADC. Dick is an instructor at Connally AFB along with Bob Olson who is there with wife and baby girl. Jerry Dunn is at bombardment navigation school. Mather AFB, Calif. with Bill Stambaugh.

Larry Asbury, Nick Carlson and Don Edwards were also at Connally in an earlier navigation class. Larry, I believe, is now stationed at Portsmouth, New Hampshire as EWO, while Nick and Don are tanker navigators.

Tom Claffey is flying B-47's out of Lake Charles, La. He and Nancy are at home at 1608 Oak Park Blvd., Apt. 2, Lake Charles. Norm Monson is A and E Systems Maintenance Officer at Macon, Ga. "Pork" Ruud is at Laredo AFB, I understand, enjoying his job very much—more "cloak and dagger" Air Force work. At Schilling AFB, Kansas, Dan Yarr is flying B-47's. Bob Meals flies the same craft out of Little Rock AFB. Bill Brown flies C-123's at Pope AFB, Tenn. Paul and Judy Rice are at Moody AFB where Paul flies F-86's. Rodger Gietzen is there also in the F-86 program.

John Kubiak received notification that at long last the Surgeon General USAF has "OKed" his going to flight school. John says after 5,000 miles of traveling to get it, it was one fine Christmas present, especially in view of the fact the orders were received a scant nine days before his scheduled departure for Greenland! While John leaves, Walt Patterson will be joined at McGuire by Johnny Cook and Wayne Hagberg, all shuttling to Europe in C-118's.

Walt sent the enclosed picture of his class in flight school. Among them is Tony Munger who writes from Williams AFB, Arizona. There are now eighteen '58ers in or around Phoenix, either at Luke or Williams. At Luke are Bielinski, Bujalski, Cardwell, Clements, Dugan, Gardner, Hanson, Morrill, Price, Raign, Schroeder and Sharon; while at Williams are Buckalew, Hoblit, Livingston, Schluter and Munger. All are flying F-100's and it is said the program is being enjoyed very much by all.

Army Air graduates made their PCS assignment to Germany in early January. Garry and Jill Roosma, stationed at Bad Krueznach with the 8th Aviation, sailed



Class of '58 Reunion Party on November 21, 1959 at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

to Europe on the "America". Here in Kitzingen, John and Mimi Nun and Ed and Faith Ofgant are recent arrivals to the 3d Aviation Co. George Sibert, with his wife, Judy, is in an engineer outfit in Baumholder.

Paul Wagner writes from Mort Monmouth, N.J. that he and his wife, Joan, are comfortably settled in Capehart housing (37 Vaughn Court, Eatontown, N.J.). Paul is Post Troop Information Officer, a Major's slot, I understand—virtual dictator of the Post. Ken Herberger is also stationed at Monmouth.

Stan and Mary Ann Maxson are at Fort Lewis, Washington, where Stan has the Recon Plt of the 47th Inf. Also at Lewis are Bill and Claudia Parker with their young son, Donald, and John and Barbara Palmer with their little girl. John is currently a battery commander.

Jody LeTowt is at Wollston, Mass. in the Boston Defense with NIKE. Mike Harvey, Bob Finkenaur, Bruce Packard, Barry Eveleth and Fred Kulik are all near neighbors. Jody, attending Boston U. for his Masters in business administration, lives on the Boston shore and drives a Mercedes 190SL. Life, as he writes, is just fine.

Karl Prumitsch, with the 3d How Bn. 3d Arty at Fort Knox, is preparing himself for the battalion commo slot; he recently completed the Armor commo course. Tommy Thompson is in the same bn. Cary Martin is also on post with the 6th Armored Cav.

At Fort Bragg, Claude Fernandez has a drill platoon, I understand. Jim Brooks is coach of a battle group basketball team with the 82d Airborne. John George, Jack Downing and George Lawton are all in the 2d ABC, 503d Inf. John and George returned to Camp Buckner with "E" Co for the Cadet Summer training period.

"Tank" Reid writes of the Airborne files at Fort Campbell—Tank is still FDO for "E" Btry, 319th Arty where Glenn Lane is Ass't Exec. Tank, Glenda and Jay are at home at 105-E Wherry. Dave Bourland should have reported to Campbell in March when his tour in Korea was slated to end. Special Services may well have him pegged by now for sports. Jim Tilley, Glenn Hall, Bill Edwards and John Sutherland are among the '58ers there.

At Fort Riley, Denny Rupprecht is Company Commander of "B" Co, 1st Engr Bn. Curt Stender flies with the 1st Avn Co, "Big Red One". Also with the 1st Div are John Marshall with the 5th FA. Gary Kosmider with the 121st Sig Bn and Ole Nelson with the 69th Armor.

The Davalls and Mahlers have left Knox for Germany. Mike, Sarah and Kelly Davall are with the 33d Armor, APO 39, near Frankfurt. Mike and Ellie Mahler are with the 1st Med Tank Bn, 37th Armor at Crailsheim, AP O751.

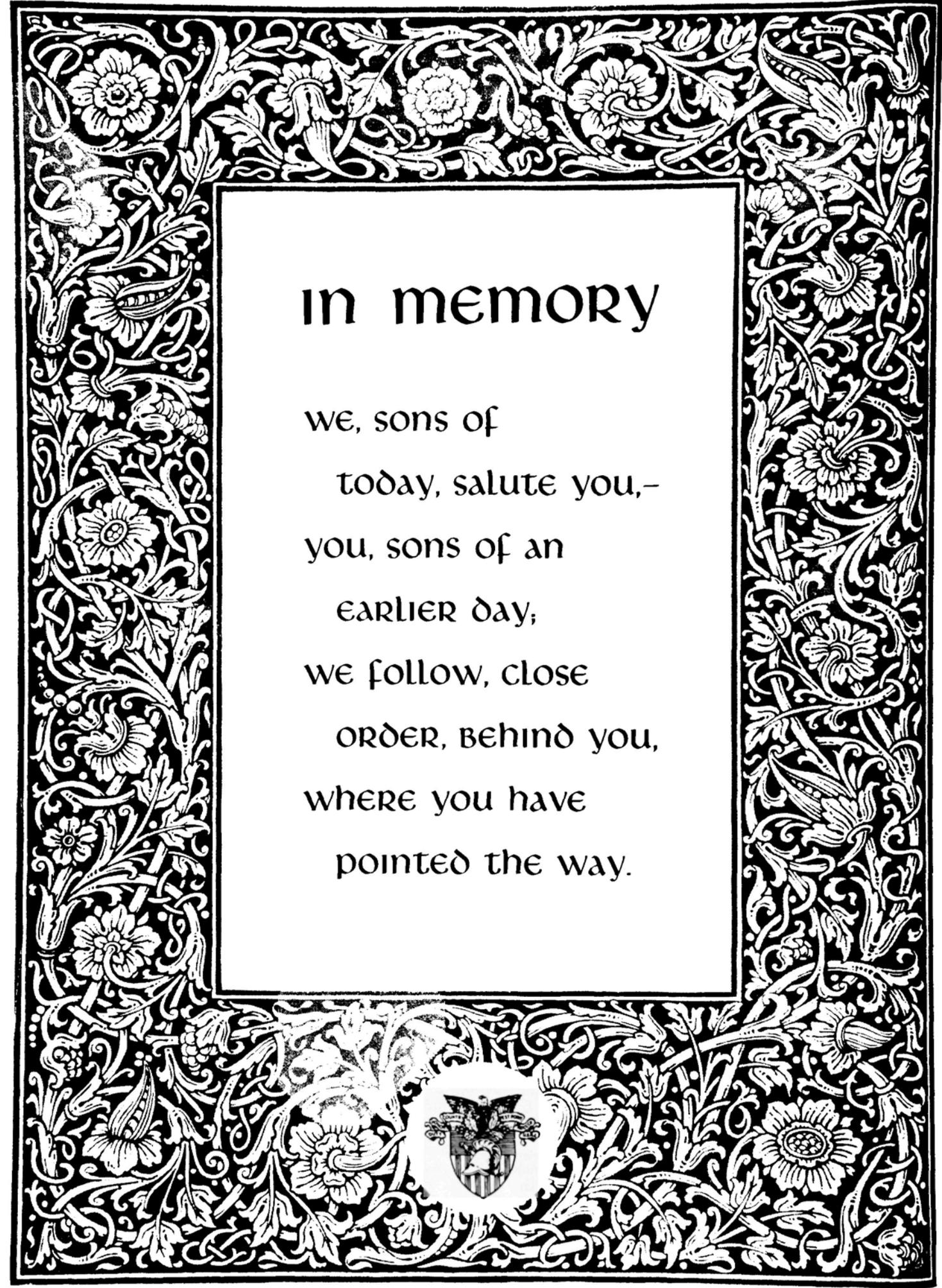
Bill Harrison, who, most of you will remember, left us because of ulcer trouble in Yearling year, at long last writes from Kansas—where he holds the door open to any and all callers. Bill who received his B.S. from Kansas State U. last June in Chemical Engineering now works for Procter & Gamble as a department manager. He and his wife, Betty, live at 5308 W. 77th St. Circle, Prairie Village 15, Kansas.

Ron Brunner has left Italy for a slot as Recon-Survey Officer with the 3d How Bn, 28th Arty (APO 35) in Germany. Before he left he had a chance to share in the promotion party our Italian cohorts held on 12 December. Ron writes that Al Pensiero has his unit "all shook up" with fancy placards hanging in his office listing all his extra duties as Support Plt Ldr. 1st Msl Bn, 80th Arty. The last, the most cherished, "And if you have any other problems, come on in and discuss them, because we'll probably get them anyhow!" Ron adds that Major Wickert, former English "P", is SFTAF Historian, and former TAC officer. Majors Wear and Flynn, are Exec of the 80th and at SETAF Hq in Verona, respectively.

Jim McCauley's wife, Carol Ann, is said to be quite ill and returning to the States from Germany. Jim will return with her to a new assignment somewhere in New York State. Fritz and Martha Nuffer are stationed at Fort Sill and are well pleased. They have Wherry housing.

That again wraps it up. Thanks for the terrific response with letters; keep them coming—also pictures. Next deadline—June 1.

—Frank Waskowicz  
2d Firing Platoon, FB  
2d Msl Bn, 82d Arty  
APO 36, New York, N.Y.



# IN MEMORY

WE, SONS OF  
TODAY, SALUTE YOU,-  
YOU, SONS OF AN  
EARLIER DAY;  
WE FOLLOW, CLOSE  
ORDER, BEHIND YOU,  
WHERE YOU HAVE  
POINTED THE WAY.

## “Be Thou At Peace”

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**Robert Fenwick Jackson**

NO. 3983 CLASS OF 1900

Died November 24, 1959 at Cooperstown, New York, aged 81 years.

Major Jackson taught at Hamlet Lodge in Pomfret, Connecticut, and then he be-



came a master at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire where he remained for several years. Then he was made Senior Master at Pomfret School, Pomfret, Connecticut. He became the Headmaster of Green Vale School on Long Island when it was founded in 1923, and was there for fourteen years. He retired in 1937, and made his home in Litchfield, Connecticut. He moved to Cooperstown, New York, in 1953 and remained there until his death.

He was greatly loved and esteemed wherever he taught and lived. He had the happiness of seeing the youth trained under his hand win honorable standing in the universities to which they were sent, and had the satisfaction of seeing many to whom he had imparted his view of life and its obligations, fill honorable places as citizens in this world's work.

His personality and kindness are his true memorial.

—Robert W. Thayer

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**Thomas Norton Gimperling**

NO. 4336 CLASS OF 1904

Died October 11, 1959 at Denver, Colorado, aged 79 years.

THOMAS N. GIMPERLING died in Saint Luke's Hospital, Denver, Colorado, 11 October 1959.

This announcement was received with sorrow and surprise by his many friends in and out of the service. He had recovered from a serious broken hip earlier in the year and every one thought that he could do it again.

Tommy, to his friends, was born in Dayton, Ohio 5 June 1880. In his early teens he was bitten by the military bug and enlisted in the Third Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was soon on his way to Cuba

where he participated in the Spanish American War and won his spurs, a sergeancy.

Upon his return home he found waiting for him his greatest desire, an appointment to the United States Military Academy. In spite of his lack of preparation, due to his service in the Spanish American War, he graduated as a member of the Class of 1904.

After graduation he was ordered to the Philippines for station. He was soon involved in the Samar escapade, which was the subject of many happy hours of reminiscing. At the end of his tour in the Philippines he was returned to the United States and assigned to mapping duty along the western border of Texas.

Tommy was married to Helen Campbell Tritch, in 1909, at Denver, Colorado. The War Department had no particular bed of roses for the bride and groom. It was not long before they found themselves at Camp Kiehlley, in the Philippines. General Pershing at this time was disarming the Moros, and Tommy was there with both feet. It was at this time he joined the Sixth Infantry and served with that regiment until World War I.

As a member of the Sixth Infantry he commanded the rather new and specialized Regimental Machine Gun Company. He took this organization to Mexico with General Pershing as a member of the



Punitive expedition. We looked upon Tom as something special—he rode a horse and the rest of us walked.

Upon his return to the States after chasing Villa, things began to move quite fast. World War I was upon us. Again Tom found his old love, the machine gun. He fought the war as Divisional Machine Gun Officer in the 30th Division.

Probably the most interesting and distinguished service to which Tom was assigned between World War I and World War II was that as Military Attaché to Cuba in 1933. He was the Military advisor of the Cuban Ambassador, Sumner Wells. It was at this time that Batista revolted and overthrew President Machado. The details of this service would make a book. Tom should have written one. It was at this time that the good neighbor policy was initiated.

The second World War found Tommy as Chief of Staff of the 103rd Division

at Camp Devers, Maryland. The older men had to give way to youth. He was returned to Denver as recruiting officer until he reached the magic age of sixty, and the War Department writes "FINIS", "Good Bye and Good luck to you." "You Have Served your Country Well."

After retirement, Tommy continued to live in Denver. His life in Denver was most enjoyable to him and his family. He made many good friends who miss him. As long as he lived he was an inspiration to those around him. He never got old mentally, the old body just wore out.

Tommy is survived by his wife, Helen; a step-daughter, Gretchen Singles, wife of Colonel Gordon Singles; a grandson, Gordon Singles III, a Cadet First Classman, United States Military Academy; and one nephew, Robert MacGregor.

Tommy was interred in The Arlington National Cemetery 15th, October 1959. May he REST IN PEACE.

—Dennis E. McCunniff, '13

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**Lucian Dent Booth**

No. 4560 CLASS OF 1907  
 Died February 11, 1960

And when our work is done,  
 Our course on earth is run,  
 May it be said,  
 "Well done—Be thou at peace".

Early in the era of the Civil War, a young engineer, born in South Carolina, looking for new horizons left his old home and migrated to Mississippi to pursue his engineering profession. He chose a site near the little town of Caledonia in Lowndes County, which is not far from West Point, Mississippi, on the Black River. In 1882, a son was born into his family, who was destined to become an outstanding officer in the Army of the United States, and a worthy product of West Point on the Hudson. In him were combined the pleasing and determined characteristics of his Southern forebears. This son was Lucian Dent Booth of the Class of 1907.

From his earliest days Lucian's talents and industry were to serve him in good stead. His early education was in the public schools of Lowndes and Monroe Counties. At the age of 17, he entered



Mississippi A. & M. College from which he was graduated with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering in 1903. His college days foreshadowed much of the ingenuity and capacity which characterized his later life. He soon became post-master of the College, the income from which position was sufficient to pay his four-year college expenses with a surplus at graduation of \$400.00.

Lucian's nomination for appointment to the United States Military Academy came quickly. He entered the Academy during the summer of 1903 and was graduated a member of the Class of 1907. During these four years of hard labor and happy recreation, he displayed a rare joviality, broadened his educational viewpoint, and made lifelong friends whose warm devotion to him remained unchanged through Cadet days and long years of service. At a Cadet hop he met his future wife, Miss Louisa Tompkins Middleton of New York City, and two years following graduation they were married. Almost immediately thereafter they sailed for their first station together on Corregidor Island in the Philippines.

The first ten years of Lucian's service in the Army were in the Coast Artillery Corps with stations at Fortress Monroe, Virginia; The Philippine Islands; Long Island, N. Y.; and, as the foreboding clouds of the First World War burst into storm, as an instructor in mechanics at West Point. He became a Major of Field Artillery in September 1917 and was assigned immediately as Ordnance Officer of the 30th National Guard Infantry Division. In May 1918 he embarked for France with the Division which, on arrival, was aligned with the British in Northern France. This was one of the fast-moving, hard-hitting military aggregations which, in the latter part of September 1918, broke the much vaunted Hindenburg Line. The following month Lucian was ordered to duty with the Chief of Ordnance of the First Army, then busily enmeshed in combat in the Meuse-Argonne. Here he was serving when the Armistice came November 11, 1918. His Purple Heart Meritorious Service Citation describes the courage and steadfastness with which he performed his duties in battle. His service ribbon carries four stars for significant battle participation.

It fell to Lucian's lot as Chief Ordnance Officer of the First Army, following the Armistice, to be responsible for the great volume of the First Army's ordnance equipment which was left behind as the troops embarked for return home to the United States. This is always a trying assignment which calls for technical skill, acumen, and foresight. But, as in all other assignments, Lucian could soon report "Mission accomplished"!

Lucian returned to the United States in June 1919, and then began the more than twenty years of professional military service in assignments of increasing responsibility in the Ordnance Department. He was immediately assigned to duty in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance in Washington. During the ensuing two decades he was to serve two more tours of duty in the Chief's office in charge of various important divisions for a total of twelve years. In the interim he served tours as Proof Officer at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Ordnance Officer of the First Army at Governors

Island, and Ordnance Officer of the Third Army at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

The climax of his Ordnance career came in a dual role: first, as Chief of the Ammunition Division, Industrial Service of the Ordnance Department when the vast expansion of research and production facilities was under way immediately preceding and during the first years of the Second World War. Few undertakings required greater determination, knowledge of the intricacies of military powder and explosives, and familiarity with industrial techniques. When he left the Ammunition Division in 1942, he had already filled an important role in the successful beginnings of the greatest ammunition production program in the history of the world. He thus contributed this valued aid to our fighting men and to those of our allies.

The second phase of this dual climax was Lucian's service as Commanding Officer at Radford Arsenal. This great establishment, not far from Roanoke, was owned by the Army and operated by the Hercules Powder Company. It was one of the largest units in the production of propellant powders for artillery ammunition and rockets in the American effort. He brought to this assignment not only his vast knowledge of ordnance requirements but, in cooperation with officials of the Hercules Company, his leadership of the men who were part of the thousands of civilians who were employed there. On September 30, 1943, Lucian retired from active military service to become affiliated with Hercules Powder Company at Radford in the important office of historian of that mammoth project.

History, as well of his family as of military campaigns and economics, was always a special interest of Lucian's. The study of history had played a prominent part in his education, both undergraduate and in after years. It was an important factor in his studies at the Harvard Graduate School, from which he was graduated with the degree of Master of Business Administration in 1926. It was a guiding element during his course as a student at the Army Industrial College from which he was graduated in June 1930. It was a hobby in his researches into the genealogy of the Booth family in Virginia, South Carolina, and Mississippi. It was reflected in the excellent work he did in writing the record of Radford.

In the spring of 1947 Lucian wrote *finis* to his active participation in things military, took up residence at "Lone Oak", an historic house in Roanoke, Virginia, and lived there until his death. He at once became interested in civic affairs of Roanoke and in 1948 was appointed chairman of Roanoke's Committee, "One Hundred for Progress". For three years he was chairman of the American Way of Life Committee, organized in 1950 by officials of the local Chamber of Commerce. As was to be expected, he was active as a member of the Vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church for three years.

Charitable works also engaged Lucian's attention and efforts during these mellow years. His last civic assignment came in October 1956 when he was appointed Managing Director of Roanoke Diamond Jubilee Celebration—an undertaking of great proportions and importance. He

was stricken with a heart ailment early in 1957 from which he appeared to recover. He continued to enjoy the congeniality of his Virginia friends, and the happy ways of the South. Early in February 1960, he again became ill and was hospitalized in the Roanoke Hospital. There he peacefully passed away on February 11, 1960. Funeral services were conducted by The Right Reverend William Henry Marmion, Bishop of the South Western Diocese of Virginia. He was buried, with classmates and friends in attendance, in Arlington National Cemetery on February 15, 1960.

Lucian is survived by his wife, the former Miss Louisa Tompkins Middleton, and five children, Colonel Robert Middleton Booth of Atlanta, Ga.; Lieut. Colonel Cornell Dent Booth of Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Mrs. Horace Ely Britton of Pelham Manor, N.Y.; Mrs. James Nelms Kincanon of Roanoke; and Mrs. James Monroe Morris, Jr. of Fort Benning, Ga. He is also survived by twelve grandchildren.

Some of Lucian's many fine qualities were well described in editorial tributes of the Roanoke press. One such citation was: "Possessed of a sharp wit that went so well with the trained and ordered mind of a fine soldier and scholar, Colonel Booth lived out his 17 years of retirement in good grace and as the squire of 'Lone Oak', one of the city's pioneer homes which he acquired and further restored." "an excellent example of the good a retired citizen can do for his community if he chooses to put his talents to work for others" "Roanoke owes him a debt of gratitude".

We, his classmates and his friends say with full hearts:

"Well done, Lucian; Be thou at peace!"  
—Earl McFarland '06

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## Ernest Grove Cullum

NO. 4740 CLASS OF 1908

Died August 10, 1959 at Santa Fe,  
New Mexico, aged 75 years.

ERNEST GROVE CULLUM, son of Andrew A. and Harriet Armentha Cullum, was born on a farm near Athens, Ohio, November 15, 1883. His father was a lover, breeder, and owner of good horses; and his abilities in the selection and use of the horse were most certainly inherited by his son.

Grove entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, on June 16, 1904, and was early recognized by his classmates as a wonderful mimicker whose witticisms, spoken without a smile brought forth roars of laughter. Soon they classified him as a veritable Mark Twain. Example: Years after graduation, one of my young daughters, who always called him "Uncle Grove," one day told me that said "Uncle" had told her that when he was a cadet the French dancing instructor at West Point had said to him, "Meester Cullum, you get in the corner by yourself or you will creep someone; you are very heavy in the feet—you are assigned to the elephant squad!"

As time progressed and the study of Spanish began, his instructor therein, a native of the deep South, addressed him one day as "Senor Cullum," with a very

marked accent. With many of his classmates, that name followed him through life. One of his most famous mimickings was of the advice given to his fencing class by the "Crusader"-like Master of the sword in highly French-colored English: "Gentlemen," he said, "you must never give up practice in fencing because some day, please God, you may have to kill a man with your sword." The statement was mimicked by Grove from that day on, almost to the end of his life.

One of Grove's roommates said of him, "His gay view of people and happenings around us kept me and many others almost constantly entertained. There were no 'Blue Mondays' in our room, and when the immediate conditions of our austere surroundings furnished no suggestions for a laugh, he drew upon his fund of stories."

Upon graduation from the Academy on February 14, 1908, Grove was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant of Cavalry and was assigned to the Fourth U. S. Cavalry with station at Fort Meade, South Dakota. From 1911 to 1913, inclusive, the Fourth Cavalry was on duty along the Mexican border with station at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, where I first encountered him on active duty. Soon thereafter, the Fourth Cavalry moved to Hawaii. In October, 1914, Grove was detailed as a student at the Mounted Service School at Fort Riley, Kansas, was graduated in June, 1915, and returned to his regiment in Hawaii. There he remained until March, 1917, when he returned to the United States. He was promoted to the grade of Captain of Cavalry in May, 1917. From then until December 29, 1917, he helped with the organization and training of two Cavalry regiments and one Field Artillery regiment.

By December 29, 1917, Grove had shown himself unbeatable as a horseman. He could pick the best of animals, horses or mules, from any wild herd roaming the West. He had no equal in selecting them "in the rough," a characteristic possessed by few. He was also most capable as a purchaser and trainer of both horses and mules. His abilities along these lines had been recognized by his superiors and he was appointed a Temporary Major of Cavalry on December 29th and was assigned to duty as Commander of an Army Remount Depot. At the same time he organized and commanded the Remount Officers Training School at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. Thereafter he served in several Remount Service posts and was aboard a transport for service overseas when the Armistice was signed. After the Armistice, for a time he was assistant instructor in the Cavalry School. He returned to the grade of Captain in June, 1920.

Once during the period of hostilities, Grove was detailed as an aide to a Colonel of the French Army, who came to the United States to buy horses and mules. Following is a story he once told me about this duty.

"During my trip to the west and return, I showed him Niagara Falls, the Grand Canyon, and other interesting monuments. As we approached Washington on the return trip, I asked him whether he'd like to see any other thing. 'Yes,' he said, 'I'd like to see the Mrs. Beetch who is the mother of so many American soldiers.'"

Grove was promoted to Major, Quarter-

master Corps, on July 1, 1920, and was then transferred to the Remount Service, QM Corps, on December 3, 1920. Thereafter he was in charge of the Southern Zone, Remount Service, with station at Fort Reno, Oklahoma, until June, 1922. Next he was appointed Assistant Chief, Remount Service, with station in Washington, D.C., until 1924. Then he was assigned to command of Fort Reno Oklahoma, from July 1924 until June 1928, when he became Chief of the Remount Service, Office of the Q. M. General, July 1928 to July 1930. His next assignment was at Colorado Springs, where he was in charge of the West Central Remount Zone until October 31, 1931. He was retired from active duty on November 1, 1931, for disability contracted in line of duty.

Just before Grove was relieved from duty in Washington in 1930, I was sent there to get remounts for the regiment in which I served. Grove drove with me to the Animal Depot at Front Royal, to help me in my efforts. As we passed a



crossroad on the northern edge of the Battlefield of Bull Run, he told me this one: "Last time I drove through that crossroad, a man stopped me and asked how far it was from Washington. I told him I could not give the exact mileage but that it was the distance a Yankee soldier could run in one day, back in the early 1860's."

At a Class luncheon in Washington just before Grove was retired, an officer of high rank was being discussed and Grove was asked for his opinion. He arose and said, "I think that officially he is a bear cat, morally a tom cat, and socially a pole cat." And thus did he philosophize about life in general. "A man is a success when the opportunity curve and the ability curve meet."

After his retirement, Grove continued to live in Colorado Springs, and there on August 9, 1932, married Kate Gilbert Holt. She was a native of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Shortly thereafter they came to see me and my family at Fredericksburg, Virginia, and at once she became one of our best friends.

In 1933 they bought a ranch near Cimmaron, New Mexico, but after a year they sold out and moved to Santa Fe. Then they bought a home in the Pojoaque Valley about twelve miles north of

Santa Fe, and Grove began to acquire and train polo ponies; to conduct a large riding class for Valley children between the ages of 6 and 16; and to teach local boys to play polo.

A wonderful time was had by all and soon Grove began to produce polo ponies of great merit. Most of these he sold to the Long Island polo players and, in one year, three of his products made names for themselves in the International Games. His friends soon became worshipers of their talented neighbor, and the most devoted of these were the Pueblo Indians who still remained in the area. Then came World War II.

Grove was called to active duty as PMS & T at the University of Arizona and at the New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell. He entered upon these duties in June, 1941, was appointed Lieutenant Colonel AUS, August 17, 1941, and continued in that duty until February 29, 1944, when his service terminated. He was retired as Lieutenant Colonel, U.S.A., 26 September, 1944, and returned to his home in the Valley.

During the years before the war, Grove had become interested in mining and at one time owned a magnificent deposit of pumice on the heights near Los Alamos. I moved to New Mexico in 1946 with such of my family as remained with me, and bought a ranch near Espanola, just 12 miles north of Grove's place in the Pojoaque Valley. We remained there for three years and I worked with Grove on his pumice and other projects. My family and I returned to San Antonio in 1949, and, by that time, Grove's great work with mining and horses was at an end. He continued to own and ride horses through the ensuing years although his health was very bad. He died on August 10, 1959 and was buried in the National Military Cemetery in Santa Fe.

In fitting tribute to his mortal life—and actually, at his request—John Donne's "Holy Sonnet" and the last stanza of William Cullen Bryant's "Thanatopsis" were read at his graveside. But what Grove did not request—and what constituted a most true description—were the words of Paul Horgan: "But let me speak a certain four words for this gallant man—Honesty, Kindness, Humor, Courage. . . . He leaves them with us. In his name and with his spirit we give them to others. He lives in them. Our love and gratitude for his life have no end."

And now, as Grove's life so faithfully reflected the great tradition of the long Gray Line, in closing, let me sum up and say farewell in these words: "E'en as he trod that day to God so walked he from his birth; in simpleness and gentleness and honour and clean mirth."

—Arthur E. Wilbourn, '08

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## Thruston Hughes

NO. 4800 CLASS OF 1909

Died November 15, 1959, at Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 73 years.

The Army lost a loyal friend and good soldier in the passing of Thruston Hughes. "Butsey" had had some hard knocks to contend with. As a Plebe he suffered a

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bad knee injury that set him back a year, and thus he became a member of two Classes, as 1908 never gave him up to us completely.

The first eleven years of Butsey's service were in the Coast Artillery. He served with the 59th C.A.C. Regiment (Old 13th Brooklyn National Guard) at Fort Hamilton, and in the AEF as Regimental Adjutant; then, promoted to Major, he was made Brigade Adjutant and Chief of Staff of the 32nd Artillery Brigade C.A.C. He prepared the artillery fires for this Brigade in the Meuse Argonne and St. Mihiel offensives. After the Armistice he became Base Inspector at Brest and served with the Transportation Corps. From 1920 until the day he retired he was a highly effective administrator in the Adjutant General's Department. He served two tours at West Point—the first as instructor in Ordnance and Gunnery, and the second as Adjutant of the Military Academy—and in both assignments he reflected and enhanced the high traditions of those positions.

Each year increased his interest in, and



love for his Alma Mater. He set up the Hughes Award—to go each year to the outstanding "Wheel Horse of the Football Squad." It was a great sorrow to him that his health prevented his attending the fiftieth reunion of his Class. His many friends were saddened by his absence for he had made a determined effort and, until the very last moment, had hoped to be able to be present.

His helpfulness to others and his constant interest in those around him were demonstrated in Gananoque, Canada, where, in 1928, he had bought a tiny island in Lake Gananoque to use as a fishing camp. The people on the lake shore soon found that they had acquired a new friend. His kindness and helpfulness to the guides and their children and grandchildren through the summers when he was there continued during their hard winters and while he was absent on foreign service. He helped them in many ways to help themselves. He was many times a God-father and Patron in the best and truest tradition throughout the whole countryside.

Those who lived near his Bethesda, Maryland, home with its rose gardens and flowers will miss the afternoons spent there with him. He and Katherine, who had celebrated their 49th wedding an-

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niversary, had the knack and the interest to get friends and classmates together there, where they renewed acquaintance, recalled common experiences, and reminisced of happy Army days.

Among his decorations is a special and rare one—the "Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant," awarded for his service as Chief, Allowance and Allotment Branch of the Adjutant General's Office (now Office of Dependency Benefits), the largest division in the Adjutant General's Office. The citation closes: "By his foresightedness, careful and meticulous planning and by application of the unusually wide knowledge of Army administration, together with his exceptional ability in winning the confidence of those serving under him, he has welded the Enlisted Branch into a smooth-running and effective organization."

His "Legion of Merit" was awarded for the establishment, organization and functioning of the Adjutant General Section, Forward Echelon, Headquarters Communication Zone, which was landed on Utah Beach. His citation continues: "He displayed sound judgment and untiring zeal in the face of seemingly insurmountable difficulties. He contributed directly to the orderly, efficient administrative support to air force, field force, and communications zone planning activities and operations during the Normandy Campaign. His personal example and initiative contributed greatly toward maintaining excellent morale and effective working spirit among the officers and men under his direction."

The large number of close friends, classmates and associates, young and old, who were present at the simple rites at Arlington were a testimony to the love and high esteem in which he was held.

Katherine Leech Hughes lives at 2230 California Street, Northwest, Washington S. D.C.

—J. L. Devers

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### Archibald Toombs Colley

NO. 4822 CLASS OF 1909

Died June 15, 1958 at Washington, Georgia, aged 72 years.

ARCH COLLEY came to West Point from Georgia and entered with the motley crew of juvenile aspirants to military glory that surged through the East Sally Port on June 15, 1905. My early recollections of my fellow plebe from the deep South date from our post-beast barracks assignment to "C" Company, in which organization we were both to spend the next four years.

Archie's family could boast of members who were prominent in national affairs in the tense pre-Civil War period and subsequently in the Confederacy; but Archie didn't boast and if he harbored any congenital or early environmental prejudices against damyankees they were soon dissipated in the atmosphere of our Alma Mater. He and his roommate, Fred Teague, were well reconstructed partisans of the Lost Cause, whose staunch friendships in the Class and the Corps were in nowise restricted by the Mason and Dixon Line.

It is for his likability and reserved good

fellowship that the Archie Colley of the West Point days is best remembered by his contemporaries and friends of that period. Like many another—then, before, and since—whose subsequent careers in the Service and civil life show much of high achievement, Archie's cadet years were unmarked by triumphs in those undergraduate activities which require an exceptional endowment of brain, brawn or talent to carry off the conspicuous laurels. Nor was he among those honored by the Tac Department—and no one could have cared less. He was a member in good standing of the "C" Company dissenters from the cult that worshipped the great god Dis with fervence and zeal. Indeed the discipline and restraints of the Spartan life irked him more than they did his less sensitive classmates. But a saving sense of humor mitigated the irritations of the authoritarian system, and the underlying soldier in him accepted it as a necessary if annoying, feature of his apprenticeship. We who knew him well discounted the protestations as a smoke screen behind which lay the spirit, the in-



tellect and the character that make for high achievement in a career officer of the Army.

Archie's temperament, background, and preference all pointed toward service with the horse soldiers and at the end of graduation leave he reported for duty with the Cavalry at Ethan Allen. In October 1912 he married Madeline Burgess, of Burlington, Vermont, and the following year took the bride and groom to Camp Stotsenberg, P. I., for a two year hitch with the 9th Cavalry.

Back in the States with a big war on, Arch was promoted to Major National Army in February 1918 and assigned to the 2d Division. As Division Communications Officer he won his battle stars with his famous combat division in the Verdun Sector, at Belleau Wood, Chateau Thierry, Soissons, Marbach, Nancy, and St. Mihiel. Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in February 1919, he served briefly with the 109th Field Artillery in Flanders before returning to the United States.

In the early twenties Arch was in the toils of the Army's improved and expanded system of higher education. He graduated from the Advanced Course at the Cavalry School in 1923 and was an honor graduate of the Command and General

Staff School in 1924. Detailed to the General Staff Corps immediately following graduation from Leavenworth, he served two years on the General Staff of the 4th Corps Area at Atlanta.

Arch spent the next six years as PSM&T at the University of Georgia. While on this duty he took the Liberal Arts Course and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1930. His last station before his retirement for physical disability in 1934 was Fort McPherson.

The untimely development of a heart condition that resulted in Archie's retirement cut short the military career that had much of solid achievement to build on and held much of promise. Returning to Washington, Georgia, where the distinguished family to which he belonged had its roots, he entered into the life of the community and participated to the extent that his disability permitted in civic activities that had need of his abilities and prestige. When World War II came he was appointed head of the Georgia Selective Service, in which capacity he served until his health forced him to retire.

Death came suddenly on June 15, 1958. He is survived by two daughters, Kathleen, wife of Colonel J. K. Brown, Jr., Class of 1935, and Helen, wife of Mr. John B. Reiber, of Marietta, Georgia, and two grandchildren, Kathleen and John Reiber.

The lead paragraph of the newspaper announcement of his death reads: "Colonel Archibald Toombs Colley died early Sunday morning at his home on Robert Toombs Avenue, as the result of a heart attack. News of his sudden death, after several hours illness, cast a pall of sadness over this community, and in all parts of the state, where he was known and loved."

I quote it because it bespeaks the affection in which he was held by his fellow citizens of the community where he spent the last twenty-five years of his life; because it is an illuminating little postscript to the record for those of us who have been out of touch with him since his retirement; and because it testifies to the enduring quality of those traits in Arch that endeared him to all of us who knew him at West Point and during the year of his active service.

—E.F.H.

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## Henry Barlow Cheadle

NO. 5179 CLASS OF 1913

Died December 16, 1959 at Nogales, Arizona, aged 68 years.

THE first time I ever saw Henry Cheadle he was hunkered down with a map in the woods a few miles from Fort Devens. With a hundred and fifty thousand men under arms, all told, we were trying to make an army out of trucks simulating tanks and cardboard signs simulating 37 MM anti tank guns—with Pearl Harbor only four months ahead of us. Garrison habits were still strong upon the regulars and the five paragraph field order was a part of them.

Henry put an arrow on the map with the shaft marked RCT 18 and the point marked 1545 and admiration burst out of me "That's the most sensible thing I've seen since I came into the Army, Major." Henry said "What are your qualifications

to criticize this favorably—or unfavorably?" and I said "Not one—except that I'm an old ocean race sailor and I can read a chart" and he said "This problem will be over at 1545—when this order is carried out. Get into your bib and tucker and be at my quarters on the Post by half past five" and I said "Yes, Sir" and he said "You're so damned tall. What's on your shoulders?" and I said "A silver bar, Sir" and he said "Five thirty, Lieutenant."

At six o'clock with the flagon open, he said "You and I are going to be friends. Call me Henry" and I said "Between Reveille and Retreat—or Retreat and Reveille?" and he said "I'm a little guy, but I can sure climb you to fight if I have to."

He was just back from attaché duty in Europe and he and a handful of other officers returned from abroad were the only men in the Army who had the faintest concept of what modern war was to be like. Timing was his god—and youth—and he spread the doctrine broadside. From S-3 of the 18th Infantry, he took command of the 16th and within the week he didn't



have a battalion commander over 32 years old. I honestly believe Henry Cheadle never wanted to command any unit larger than a regiment, that is what his entire professional thinking had been aimed at. The greatest work of man under God, to Henry, was a lithe, lean infantry regiment, trained to a nubbin, honed to a surgical edge, to strike with the bite of Ghengis Khan. His regiment, the 16th, had 37 battle honors dating to 1798 when he took it over and to prove again that tradition subtends training and facilitates it, the Regiment took Oran under Henry, it was cut to 10% plus casualties after the Sicily landings—but re-filled and re-trained in England it was the indicated regiment once again for the assault on Omaha Easy Red.

Someone asked Henry what happened after he took Oran and he said "I don't know, I was up at Division Headquarters after that—I wasn't committed." He was up at Division Headquarters—because by reason of his taking Oran, he was the first regimental commander to be made a general officer in World War II on the field, by Presidential order. By the same token he was among the first to revert back to his permanent colonelcy after VJ Day. For three reasons: he had been continually at the wars, from North Africa

through to the end which found him in Czechoslovakia and hence with no knowledge of how to scurry fast into some T10 somewhere which would sustain his stars temporarily until they could be confirmed. And secondly, he wouldn't have done it, even if he knew how, for it was a part of his code that he shun anything that smacked of political furtherance—that he ask the Army for nothing of a personal nature. When it was suggested to him that his shell-fire induced deafness could allow him a fairly high percentage of tax free disability retired pay—he absolutely refused to consider it. But the third and real reason he came home fast was that for three long years under what Frederick the Great once called "the diversion of war" Henry had been away from his wife of a lifetime and he accepted as his paramount concern, the duty to return to her. Stars ran a poor second in his consideration for Gaby.

An amazing little man, out of a book written long years ago and relegated to the back shelves of to-day's libraries. With a highly specialized military education, Henry Cheadle was one of the finest amateur critics and historians of music you could find in many a day's journey. He was a keen observer of everything he saw in life. As an innocent bystander to a professional anthropological discussion I once heard him go into an exact description from memory of the cranial measurement of Heidelberg Man, I have seen him hold Bishop Sheen in keen eyed interest in a discussion of Transubstantiation with Protestant objectivity. Tone deaf all of his life he could compare the great musicians of this world in terms of their rhythmic interpretations. He knew the world intimately and remembered its far corners. I had a portrait done of my wife's father when he was on the Marshall Mission in China—which for personal reasons I had done against a schematic, highly stylized and finally almost unrecognizable composition of the Great Wall where it comes down east to the waters of Liaotung Bay. Henry took one look at the monstrosity in its formative stages and said "I never knew Hopkins got as far as Chinghuangtao before the Communists captured him."

His sense of humor was a gay scarf to the fine tailoring of his brilliance. He was Montana born and I asked him once why he hadn't gone into the cavalry. He looked at me. "Did you have to go to school every day on a horse when you were a kid? No? Well, take my word for it, never try to go to war on one, you have enough trouble handling yourself."

And again after talking himself down to a hoarse whisper on the Oran actions from 8 AM to 5 PM with a different audience every hour, a duty slug he had cheerfully accepted to put blood on the map for green troops, he asked me how I thought he was doing. I circled thumb and finger and thrust it at him enthusiastically and he said "One thing I'm not telling them—but I'll tell you because you're my friend. In modern war—take two shovels!"

He was quartered with my general that night and fifteen minutes later the telephone rang. "Get me out of here, Jim—this joker doesn't even drink a thimbleful of very dry sherry for his stomach's sake!"

We buried Henry the other day in the dove earth of the civil cemetery at Nogales, Arizona—down close to the Border where

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he first saw active service as a lieutenant—where he met and courted and married the golden haired Gabriella long years ago, where they spent the last decade of his retirement—in that dreadful enforced wastage that peace brings to the best of soldiers—who like doctors, do their utmost when emergencies call upon them, to put themselves out of business in the fastest time possible.

He is my ten year old son's godfather and I hope when the time comes, as it must in this troubled world, that Henry will have taught the boy his catechism as he taught it to the 16th Infantry. For we only need a few of the breed to spark the rest of us.

I dedicated "The Valiant Virginians" to Henry and I think possibly I can close this memorial with those words:

For

*Brigadier General Henry Barlow Cheadle USA, Rtd.* who was the first regimental commander to be made a general officer in World War II—on the field of battle, by presidential order. A professional who loved his 16th Infantry—a regular regiment with fifty four battle honors dating to 1798, to which the General added the taking of Oran, in the finest tradition of the First Infantry Division.

I should have added one more line "and the finest gentleman dirt soldier who ever lived."

—James Warner Bellah

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### Adlai Howard Gilkeson

NO. 5449 CLASS OF 1915

Died November 2, 1959 at Andrews AFB Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 66 years.

*"Say not Good Night but in some brighter clime bid me Good Morning".*

The bugle is muted, the cadenced words of requiem and prayer are said, the benediction given. We pause to bid a reverent adieu, and in our hearts inscribe the memory of a friend.

He was born Adlai Howard Gilkeson, the son of Andrew and Jane, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. But to us, in affection, he shall always be "Gilk". We shall not recite the history of his services, the important commands he held, the honors bestowed upon him since that far-off day in 1916 when he sought his future in the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps. These are matters of record and known to all. Less widely known perhaps is his two-time membership in the "Caterpillar Club", that exclusive coterie of intrepid souls who bailed out and lived to tell of it in days when flying itself was a hazardous gamble. Nor is it widely known that at the age of 55 he qualified as a jet pilot, the oldest then to attain that honor. Here was indeed an unusual man—a man of capabilities, a man of courage and achievement, a man of vision, a man whose heart encompassed all the virtues of charity and generosity and goodness which know no pettiness, and scorn to stoop to an unworthy deed. Here was high-minded courtesy and devotion and zeal.

Possessed of an inexhaustible zest for living, yet plagued with many aches and

ills during the last year of his life, he faced vicissitude with resolution and calm courage, never betraying by complaint or suggestion his suspicion that the tide of life might be then at ebb. At "Home Coming Week" he confided to a few close friends that he was soon to submit to exploratory surgery for suspected malignancy, a confidence untinged with concern or fear but made in the same casual manner as was his wont. The exploratory operation confirmed the need for major surgery, an ordeal which he accepted with characteristic fortitude and reserve. The soldier's brave heart, however, was not a match for the soldier's eager spirit and Gilk quietly assumed his honored place in that long grey line of West Point story.

It is said that the indispensable man is he who is loved of others. By this measure, Gilk was indeed indispensable. He had a simple formula for living—to accept with humor the perplexities of life, to believe in the common decency and the common destiny of man, and to give of himself without stint or calculated



reward. Sympathetic in sorrow yet gay in jest, possessed of intense loyalties, unflinching in courage and of high devotion to principle and creed, this was a man who believed that to wrong a fellow being was the primary and unpardonable sin. This, to his friends (God bless him!) was Gilk.

He is survived by his wife, Marguerite, one daughter and two sons, one of whom, Thomas A., is following in the footsteps of his father and is a pilot in the Air Force.

Somewhere it has been written that a man has achieved success who has lived honestly and to the full of life, who has laughed often and greatly loved, who has striven to leave the world a better place for his passing through and his family the happier for the memory of his presence. Let us add that he has succeeded also who has commanded the love of children and the affection of friends, who has sought for the best in others and given of the best in himself, who has believed in his fellows because he never lost faith in himself. And when the whispers shall begin to gather remorselessly about us, in that hoarse hour preceding dusk, shall we not remember with pride and gratitude a kindly spirit who chose to call us

friend? He lends our grief a dignity of things divine!

"... he leaves a white

Unbroken glory, a gathered radiance,  
A width, a shining peace, under the night."

—J.E.H. '15  
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### Paul Vincent Kane

NO. 5526 CLASS OF 1916

Died July 1, 1959 at Forest Grove, Oregon, aged 66 years.

BRIGADIER GENERAL PAUL VINCENT KANE, known as "Perrichon" at West Point and as "Paul" in later years, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, 19 July 1892, and died in his sleep of a heart ailment in his retirement home on July 1, 1959 at Forest Grove, Oregon. He is survived by his wife, Lillian ("Pat") Rielly Kane and three sons, William S., Walter R., and John P.

Paul entered the U. S. Military Academy from Worcester, Massachusetts on June 14, 1912 and graduated June 13, 1916 in the upper half of his class. He was Irish and proud of it. He never attempted to reconcile his cheerfulness with his love for an argument. As a cadet he loved conversation and discussion, but by nature was unassuming, and preferred to work behind the scenes. He was always on hand to contribute his services at extra curricular affairs where originality, energy and good judgement were needed. The class is indebted to him for his part in Camp Illumination, the decorative attractiveness of graduation hop and his tireless efforts as the literary editor of the Howitzer. The 1916 Howitzer had this to say about him "Perrichon has real affection, but not for the gold that shines on Kaydet's arms. Since the buck battalion was organized, we find him casting longing glances towards Possum's horde, and when the Inspector found toothpowder around the sub-div. floor, Perrichon took the blame and tried to sever membership with the Com's own—but he's with them still and with our fondest memories, he ever shall be."

After graduation from West Point, Paul served one year with the Coast Artillery at Fort Warden, Washington and then transferred to the Field Artillery. He accompanied the 4th Division to France and participated in the following offensives: Marne-Aisne, Oise-Aisne and Meuse-Argonne first as a battery commander and later as a battalion commander. Upon return to the United States in May 1919 he served as Aide-de-Camp to Major General Grote Hutchinson at Camp Meade, Maryland until August 1920 when he was ordered to West Point as an instructor.

Between World Wars I and II, Paul served nineteen years as an instructor or student. These were happy years for him for they gave him an opportunity for self expression in a field in which he was naturally endowed to excel. He liked to acquire knowledge and to transmit it to others. His natural ability to express ideas clearly and his strong interest in the education of young officers and potential officers, was recognized by those in au-

thority and appreciated by the students. During this academic period he served as an instructor at the U.S.M.A., the Citizens Training Camp, Madison Barracks, New York, as Assistant PMS&T, Cornell University, Associate Professor of Modern Languages U.S.M.A., PMS & T the University of Oklahoma, and also as a student, completed his courses at the Field Artillery School, the Command and General Staff School and the Army War College.

World War II ended Paul's career as a teacher and student. The time had arrived to apply his broad understanding of artillery in the training and direction of the newly formed troop units. On this task he served with the 7th Division at Fort Ord, California, the Third Army at San Antonio, Texas; commanded the 96th Division Artillery at Camp Adair and Camp White, Oregon; and fought the war as Artillery Commander III Corps during the invasion of France, Luxembourg and Germany. He shared in some of the big events of the war such as the capture



of Metz, the Battle of the Bulge and the capture of the Remagen Bridge.

Paul returned to Camp Polk, Louisiana for a short period following the war, then back to the west coast for station at Fort Lewis, Washington. He spent the winter 1946-47 in Alaska in command of Task Force Frigid. Returning to Fort Ord the following spring, he was assigned to the Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, Fort Monroe, Virginia. It was here that he developed an illness, which after prolonged hospitalization at Walter Reed, resulted in his retirement for disability on May 31, 1949.

Paul developed a love for the Northwest during the war years. After retirement he joined Pat and his sons at Corvallis, Oregon with the hope of satisfying an old dream which went back to the pre-West Point days when he was a student at Amherst Agricultural College. He wanted a piece of land he could develop. In his usual thorough manner, he prepared himself by taking a post graduate course in Agriculture and graduating with a Master's Degree. He purchased and moved his family to a ranch near Forest Grove, Oregon about six years ago. There he experimented with Herefords, turkeys, chickens and geese, but his real interest was in flowers, shrubs and trees. As time passed he spent more time on roses, ornamental trees, bulbs and borders and less

time on livestock. Pat is continuing his plans.

Paul was a great family man. He was devoted to his wife, three sons, and six grandchildren. The ranch became the center of many happy family gatherings. He was very proud of his sons, one a business man, one a doctor and one a scientist. William S. Kane graduated from Oregon State in Business Administration and is now located in Tijuana, Mexico where he and his partner are engaged in the Income Tax business. Walter R. Kane was awarded a National Science Foundation Scholarship and recently received his Ph.D in Physics from Harvard University. He is now at Brookhaven Laboratories, Long Island. Dr. John P. Kane graduated from the University of Oregon Medical School and is now a resident physician at the University of California Medical Center, San Francisco, California. All three sons are married.

Paul was true to his friends, loyal to the Military Academy and its ideals, and devoted to his church and his country. For his services he was decorated with:

Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Silver Star, Bronze Star Medal, Commendation Ribbon, W.W. I Victory Medal, Army of Occupation of Germany Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, W.W. II Victory Medal, European-African-Mid-Eastern Campaign Medal with three bronze service stars, French Legion of Honor (Chevalier), Croix de Guerre with palm, British-Honorary Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.

-S. L. Scott, 1916

Maj. Gen. U. S. Army, Retired

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### William Crosby Coogan

NO. 5947 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died April 24, 1956 at Phoenix, Arizona, aged 62 years.

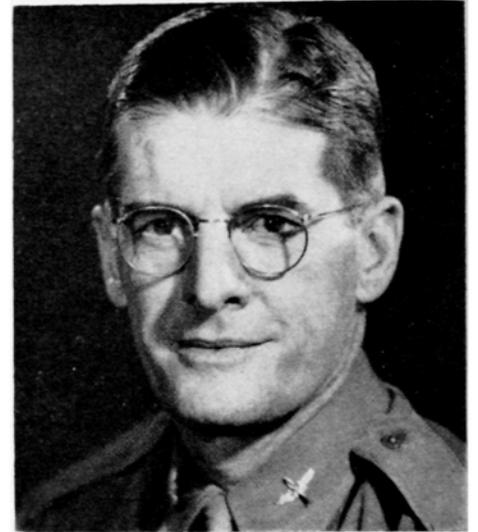
William Crosby Coogan was born in Massachusetts on December 5, 1893. All of us remember his winning smile and gracious ways which endeared him to us and how, throughout his Cadet days, he made life brighter for all with whom he came in contact. Early in his career his outstanding qualities of leadership were recognized, not only by his classmates but by the Tactical Department as well. Selected in the first group as a yearling corporal, Bill wore chevrons with distinction all through his student years, and seldom was a class activity undertaken where he did not play a prominent role.

Bill graduated above the middle of his class, yet he chose the Infantry hoping for combat service in World War I. When he failed to get his wish to serve on the battle fields of Europe, he managed to get orders for Siberia and saw active service there with the 27th Infantry, after which he was ordered to Europe in charge of repatriation of prisoners of war. Returning to the United States, Bill found himself assigned to recruiting duty and, like so many of his classmates, resigned to enter business which, at that time, seemed to offer more of a challenge than the prosaic life of a lieutenant in a peacetime army. In civil life, Bill pursued a successful career as a real

estate broker and as manager of construction for a New York firm of architect-engineers, with an interlude of service on the staff of the Governor of New York.

After 1928, information concerning Bill's activities is meager and efforts to locate him in later years were unavailing. For a time he was lost to the class, and perhaps the reason can be found in a letter which he wrote in 1947 and which was made available to us only after his death. He wrote, "I have known of very few officers who, having made the decision to leave the regular army, ever wanted to get back in it. Such was not the case with me. Within two or three years of my resignation I was avoiding my classmates because all they did was 'talk shop' and it made me so homesick that I began to wonder if I had not made a mistake."

Bill Coogan truly loved the Service. During World War II he was offered a commission as Captain in the Army Air



Corps Reserve. A Captain's rank at the age of 48 years doesn't seem a great inducement, yet Bill placed duty and patriotism first and accepted the appointment. That he did an outstanding job for his Country and his Service is evidenced by the glowing letters of commendation which he received and by his promotions, always as an exception to policy, which followed steadily along to include the grade of Colonel. The Air Corps had found its man. Whenever there were difficulties in training or administration of a base, Bill was placed on an airplane and sent to the trouble spot with the kind of orders which he loved: "Go down and straighten that mess out." And he did just that. As the end of his active service approached, Bill was still trying for reappointment in the Regular Army, but his age and the inflexibility of the law governing reappointments precluded his reinstatement. His awards attest the value of his services. They include the French Croix de Guerre, the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross, and three awards of the Army Commendation Ribbon.

As far as is known, Bill had no living relatives, but it is comforting to know of the love and esteem in which he was held by the family of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Milloy of Phoenix, Arizona. Not only was he treated as a member of their family where he was affectionately known as "Uncle Bill," but his health was watched over and his life undoubtedly prolonged

through the services of Dr. Milloy. (since deceased).

It is a sad turn of fate that we could locate Bill only after his death. He now has joined "The Army of the Blest," but those of us who survive him are the richer for having known him. We cherish his memory and the inspiration he bequeathed us in his unselfish life, in his devotion to duty, and in his loyalty to his Alma Mater.

William Crosby Coogan died at Phoenix, Arizona on April 24th, 1956 and is buried in the Military Plot of the local cemetery. —WLB

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## Henry Ignatius Szymanski

NO. 6534 CLASS OF 1919

Died at his home, Colorado Springs, Colorado  
November 6, 1959, aged 61 years

Colonel Szymanski was born in Chicago, Illinois, July 4, 1898—a prophetic date—for "Red" Szymanski was a fiery representative of all the true Independence this date commemorates.

A few years after his graduation from The United States Military Academy he obtained his B.S. degree from Northwestern University. It was while on R.O.T.C. duty at this institution that he met and married a coed, Jean Powell Burns, September 22, 1922. She was not, we might add, a member of his then famous girls' rifle team. Here he followed the athletic pattern established in boyhood—for he coached both this University's wrestling and baseball teams.

In 1920 he was a member of the U.S. Olympic wrestling team. And for much of his early military career he was so consistently identified with athletics and physical training that one could scarcely have imagined his latent diplomatic capabilities.

These, however, were given full scope during World War II for this was one of the more unique assignments. Because of his fluency in the Polish language he was sent in 1942 as Assistant Military Attaché to Egypt—specifically as liaison officer to the Polish and Czechoslovakian forces in the Middle East.

For two years he travelled—as a lone wolf—the length and breadth of Iran, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Transjordan, Egypt by car, plane, train and camel. He was intimately associated with the Polish and Czechoslovakian political and military leaders—closely concerned with the thousands of these countries' nationals being evacuated from years in Russian prisons. He was the repository for thousands of individual tales of deprivation and suffering. To these starved and discouraged human beings, for many of whom he was the first contact with the U.S.A., he stood as the epitome of American friendliness and generosity, of our traditional concern for the rights of the individual. He was indeed a true U.S. "Ambassador" to the vast number of friends made during his nearly four years and 250,000 miles of movement from Egypt through Africa to England, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Czechoslovakia and Poland. This is nowhere better attested or more sincerely expressed than in the files accumulated since his death.

He watched the building of the courageous Polish II Corps under the leadership of General Wladyslaw Anders—a corps composed of the tough survivors of Russia's almost inconceivable cruelty. When this corps, armed by the British, was ready for combat in January, 1944, Colonel Szymanski accompanied it to Italy. Here the Poles gained one more "first" in military history by their successful capture of Monte Cassino—that German fortress considered impregnable—for the French, the New Zealanders, the Indians, the Americans, and the British had successively attacked it and failed. Colonel Szymanski was the sole American present upon this historic occasion.

He remained with the Polish Corps in Italy until December, 1944, when he was called to SHAEF to serve on General Eisenhower's staff as specialist in Polish affairs. From then until December, 1945, when he returned to U.S., his work—again as a lone wolf—carried him throughout France and Belgium recruiting for the Polish forces men conscripted by the



Germans and into Switzerland where he successfully negotiated the release of large numbers of interned Poles. All these soldiers were replacements for the huge battle losses of that II Polish Corps.

In Germany his was the responsibility of aiding and adjusting the thousands of Polish POW's and DP's. In this capacity he was one of the first Americans to visit the infamous German prison camps of Dachau and Buchenwald. His idea it was to organize many of these men into guard battalions to be used by the allies on the Western front—thereby releasing many American and British soldiers for fighting without jeopardizing our supply lines.

His store of anecdotes, of tragic and humorous tales gathered during these years of experience was so inexhaustible that he was urged again and again to write a book. His reply was always the same, "I'm not a writer and my 'ghost' won't do the job for me. Besides the market is choked with war books."

After the intervening years of Special Services and Recruiting duty he was returned in 1952 to Germany for another unique assignment—his last one—with C.I.A. He was retired August 31, 1953, thereafter making his home in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Here he formed and was the president of Academy Life Insurance Company—until his death No-

vember 6, 1959. He is survived by his wife and their only child, Jean Pirrie Milani, the mother of their three grandchildren, Camran, Darius, and Mina.

The qualities of character and personality which comprise "Red" Szymanski's "stamp"—a strong contagious zest for living, an unbounded optimism, a faith and trust in his fellow man, an integrity beyond reproach, and a never failing humor, will live on with all who knew and loved him. Meeting or living with such a well nigh inexhaustible vitality was always an exciting experience. Each day was a new day, a better day, a more challenging day. It was impossible to be bored in his presence.

"Red" Szymanski's tenacious adherence to what he considered morally, spiritually, and ethically right and just remained unshaken to his last breath.

His place is secure among the distinguished company of true patriots. We visualize him, his broad straight shoulders squared, marching forward to new and richer adventures.

—J.B.S.

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## Olaf Helgesen Kyster, Jr.

NO. 8119 CLASS OF 1927

Died September 14, 1959, at Washington, D.C., aged 56 years.

Olaf Helgesen Kyster, Jr., was born in New York City on 5 September 1903. His parents moved to Arkansas when he was a small boy. As a resident of Stuttgart, Arkansas, Olaf was appointed to the Military Academy in 1922 by Senator Joseph T. Robinson. At the end of one semester he was turned back in Math, and was readmitted in July 1923 with the Class of 1927. Thereafter his cadet career was markedly successful. Standing six feet one inch, he developed a splendid military bearing, and ended as Adjutant of the 1st Battalion. Academically, he stood above the middle of the class. Athletically, he was a polo enthusiast. Altogether he was regarded as a soldierly if light-hearted cadet.

Upon graduation he entered the Coast Artillery Corps, to which he developed a deep loyalty that never wavered throughout his subsequent career. Two years after graduation Olaf went to Panama for his first overseas tour, and there he quickly attracted the attention of Brigadier General William M. Cruikshank (USMA '93) whose aide-de-camp he became a few months later. No nobler West Pointer than Cruikshank has ever breathed, and the deep respect, akin to reverence, in which Olaf always held him, had a profound and lasting influence on his life.

Within two months General Cruikshank was assigned as Commandant of the Field Artillery School at Ft. Sill; Olaf's Panama tour was abruptly cut short at seven months, and he found himself in a completely new atmosphere. With characteristic energy and professional interest, he got General Cruikshank's permission to take the Regular course at the Field Artillery School graduating in June 1931. He was very popular at Ft. Sill and received many tempting invitations to transfer to the Field Artillery; but he remained true to his original arm, which

he rejoined in the Philippines in June 1932. A prelude to this journey was his marriage to Mary Cruikshank, a union marked by unbroken devotion to the end.

By this time he had become greatly interested in anti-aircraft artillery. He pursued this professional field with enthusiasm from the horse-and-buggy phase of the 30's to the remarkable weapons and techniques of the '50s.

Olie returned from the Philippines to attend the Coast Artillery School in 1935-6, and not long thereafter began a second tour on Corregidor which lasted until July 1940. During World War II he was assigned for five years (1941-1946) with the Air Force, where his services were highly esteemed. He received an Air Force promotion to Colonel in March 1942, a year in advance of his normal AUS colonelcy, and at the end was offered further promotion if he would join the Air Force permanently. In the course of this Air Force service he spent a year in Iceland, and began his third tour in the Philippines. Shortly after his return from the Philippines, he received



that compliment which almost conveys the assurance of becoming a general officer—nomination to attend the National War College. Next he spent four years on General Staff duty in the Pentagon; and then, at last, after an absence of twelve years, he finally was able to return to duty with troops of his own stamp, being assigned to command an anti-aircraft group in Germany. Not long after, he was promoted to brigadier general (18 August 1954) and given command of the 47th AAA Brigade, charged with the anti-aircraft defense of Los Angeles. This command was equipped with Nike missiles. On one inspection it was rated the best in the country.

One of his closest associates in this period has said: "He had outstanding personal and military attributes. On the personal side, he was kind and considerate, very genial, and loved to socialize. On the military side, he demanded the highest possible standards: in discipline, appearance of buildings, grounds, men, equipment, training, job knowledge, alertness, administration, and above all operational performance. He was quick to praise good performance and equally quick to see and correct indifferent performance. He really loved and gloried in the Army. He fought uncompromisingly for the interests and welfare of his

soldiers, the anti-aircraft artillery and the Army."

The remainder of his life, with the exception of one year with the United Nations Military Armistice Commission in Korea, was spent in positions of increasing responsibility in the field of air defense with guided missiles. Knowing that the defense of the United States against air attack was a matter of the most vital consequence, he was deeply concerned by the lack of understanding he found in all directions, and by a widespread complacency which he seemed unable to disturb. All of his intense professional enthusiasm was stirred by the challenge. He was promoted to major general on 1 November 1957, and placed in command of the 5th Army Air Defense Region with headquarters at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. His abilities were just showing their fullest maturity when, in June 1959, he was hospitalized by the incurable malady which brought his end on 14 September 1959, a few days after his fifty-sixth birthday. He is survived by his wife Mary and his daughter Mary Elizabeth, who is the wife of Captain Gilbert T. Scott (USMA '52); also by his mother and three sisters.

Olaf Kyster's whole Army career was an example of highminded purposeful and unselfish effort. At the base was deep affection and honest pride in his family—in his father and mother, his sisters, his wife and daughter. His affection and pride extended outward to his friends, his associates, his military organization. His tireless concern for the well-being of his officers and men and their families was legendary, as was his constant hard work on behalf of good community relations, a habit which paid a tremendous return in questions of obtaining public acceptance of guided missile sites in civilian residential areas. He was noted for firmness and determination, yet was kind and considerate always. He and Mary were the finest possible example of a devoted couple, extremely well-liked and an inspiration to their co-workers.

As one reads Olie Kyster's official record from its beginning in 1922 until the end, one perceives a singularly consistent evaluation of an officer completely dependable, completely trusted, always willing, always cooperative; of a man who was always counted upon because he got things done, and always liked because he got them done pleasantly and without friction. His record is remarkable for the uniformity of this portrayal throughout a lifetime. It is a record that says "Well done" at every page; and we close it realizing anew the grievous loss our country suffered when Olie was called to his last Assembly just as his gifts were reaching their fullest bloom.

—Williston Palmer  
Everett Peddicord  
Arthur Roth

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### George Robert Evans

NO. 8686 CLASS OF 1929

Died April 18, 1959 at Hinsdale, Illinois,  
aged 54 years.

THE Class of 1929 will not be the same without the cheerful, enthusiastic personality of G. Robert (Bob) Evans, who

answered Last Roll Call, on April 18, 1959, after a sudden heart attack. He was buried in the West Point Cemetery, on April 24, 1959. With his untimely passing, the Class lost one of its most cherished members.

Bob Evans was born on October 19, 1904, in Missouri, and was appointed to West Point from that State.

The first taps inspection of plebe year caught Bob with one foot in bed and the other slightly behind schedule, but it was only in the little things of cadet life that Bob was ever caught behind. His natural enthusiasm made him a leader in many cadet activities. He is well remembered as a pitcher on the Baseball Squad and as a rope climber in Gymnastics.

Upon graduation, Bob was commissioned in the Infantry, and detailed in the Air Corps. A year of flying training at Brooks Field convinced all concerned that he was a born doughboy. Following his return to the Infantry, Bob had two tours of duty each at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, interspersed



with single tours of duty at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming, and Fort Benning, Georgia.

While at Schofield Barracks during 1933-34, Bob "conceived, organized and was President of the *only* Lieutenants' Club ever."

In furnishing autobiographical data for the Class of 1929 Thirty Year Book, Bob listed that accomplishment as "the single event or contribution of his military life standing above all others." Those of us of 1929 who served at Schofield Barracks during 1933-34 well remember many hilarious good times at the Lieutenants' Club and can understand the place it held in Bob's memory.

While leading a night rescue mission in the Waianae Mountains in October, 1941, during his second tour of duty at Schofield Barracks, Bob suffered a leg injury which led to his retirement for physical disability, on February 28, 1942.

Bob was recalled to active duty the day following his retirement, and from July, 1942, until March 21, 1946, when he was relieved from active duty, served in important assignments in the Pentagon. During this period, he received successive promotions, reaching the grade of Colonel. For his outstanding work during World War II, he was awarded the Legion of Merit. On February 6, 1946, he was advanced to

the grade of Colonel on the retired list because of additional physical disability.

In furnishing data for this memorial sketch, a classmate spoke for all of us when he wrote:

"Bob was blessed with a generous nature and an exuberant sense of humor. His infectious smile would invariably shine through any situation.

"A man of action, he embarked on any project of work or play with enthusiasm. A high sense of duty marked his official life, and his honor was a guiding light in all his undertakings.

"He was a warm, cheering friend. It was a privilege to be with him in any activity at any time."

Following his relief from active duty in 1946, Bob joined the staff of United States Gypsum Company in April of that year as Manager, Warehouse Trucking—Eastern Gypsum Division. His excellent performance was recognized by the company in September, 1947, with his promotion to Works Manager of its New Brighton plant in Staten Island, New York. In March of 1952, Bob was appointed Production Manager of the Atlantic Division of the company and, on a reorganization, was placed in charge of the Northeast Division which included plant operations at Boston, Massachusetts; Falls Village, Connecticut; Farnams, Massachusetts, Hillsborough, New Brunswick, Canada; Little Narrows, Nova Scotia, Canada, as well as Metropolitan New York warehouses. In this position, he served until his death.

Bob's leadership qualities, his strong forceful personality, aggressiveness and initiative were reflected in all his activities and resulted in the constantly improved performance of all the operations he supervised.

During his thirteen years with the United States Gypsum Company, his personal character and high integrity set an excellent example to all who worked with him and he left behind a company greatly enriched by his service.

Since 1952 Bob and his family lived in La Grange, Illinois, within convenient distance to his Chicago office. He took an active and enthusiastic part in civic and community affairs as well as in life at his golf club, Edgewood Valley.

All of us in civilian life who were fortunate enough to have Bob for a loyal, understanding friend will always remember him as a good sportsman, a keen competitor and a man who was ever ready to lend a cheerful, helping hand to make this a happier and better world.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife, Ellen, and two sons, George Robert, Jr., and John Morlee.

—Col. Robert E. Chandler (ret.)  
Laurence A. Combs

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## James Albert Bassett

NO. 11184 CLASS OF 1938

Died November 19, 1954 in a helicopter crash near Fort Bragg, North Carolina, aged 39 years.

James Albert Bassett, affectionately known to all his classmates and friends as Jim, was born December 23, 1914 in Dallas, Texas. He grew up in Dallas and attended Rice Institute one year prior to entering the Military Academy.

After graduating from the Military Academy in 1938, he was assigned to the 29th Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia. There he met and married Elizabeth Jane Cook on December 7, 1940.

It was at Fort Benning that the Army decided to experiment with landing infantry by parachute. Jim was one of the two officers selected to be the pioneers of the future American Airborne Army. He became Assistant Platoon Leader of the original Parachute Test Platoon. This Test Platoon formulated jump procedures and techniques which set the standard for future paratroopers and proved the practical value of airborne operations.

As the paratroopers grew and expanded, so did Jim's career. He went from Assistant Platoon Leader of a Test Platoon to G-4 of the Airborne Command in 1944.

In 1944 he joined the 1st Airborne Task Force as G-4 for the invasion of Southern France. One of Jim's superiors in speaking of this invasion stated, "the success of which was materially enhanced by his keen insight and his perception of



problems involved." He was awarded the Legion of Merit for his contribution to this invasion.

He returned to Washington to serve a tour with OPD of the War Department General Staff.

When the war ended he decided to continue his education. From 1946 to 1948 he attended Georgetown University and received his Master's Degree.

In 1948 he joined the staff at Leavenworth and when the War College was reactivated in 1950, he was made Librarian. It was his job to reestablish a library for the Army War College as the old library of the War College had been scattered throughout the Army. He was very successful in this assignment, and in 1951 the Army War College moved to Carlisle Barracks accompanied by its library.

In 1951 he journeyed to the Far East. Although scheduled for Korea, he ended up on Okinawa and soon became G-4 of the RYUKYUS Command. He did an excellent job, which can best be stated by the following extract from the commendation written by Major General Robert S. Beightler, Commanding General: "During the period 16 January 1952 to 8 December 1952 you have been charged with a most difficult and essential assignment. One of your many responsibilities was the task of carrying out the formulation, development and

supervision of a tremendous master plan program. Your initiative, enthusiasm and energetic efforts in phasing the existing and projected construction in consonance with the current needs of the Command without detriment to the over-all master plan program has been highly commendable. In addition to this, by your extensive supply experience and technical proficiency, you have instituted numerous reforms in supply techniques and methods which have contributed immeasurably in attaining the utmost economy and conservation of materials and supplies. The able manner in which you recently represented the Command in the defense of our construction program before the Budget Committee in Washington is ample proof of your professional ability as an officer. The efficiency and dispatch with which you have discharged the responsibilities of this office is commendable and I am duly appreciative to have had the benefit of your services."

In May 1953 he took command of the regiment which he had joined 15 years before as a 2nd Lieutenant, the 29th Infantry Regimental Combat Team, stationed at Okinawa. This is a dream that many of us have but few are able to realize. Jim's dream was fulfilled, and the next year he successfully commanded the regiment in which he started his brilliant career.

In the summer of 1954 he returned to the States and was assigned to Fort Bragg as Asst. Chief of Staff, G-4 of the XVIII Airborne Corps. He held this assignment when the ill-fated crash occurred and wiped out his life and ended the career of such a brilliant officer.

Jim left behind a beloved wife and two sons, Steven and David, who are now 17 and 13 years of age. They will long remember him as one who loved people and life, as a stern father, and a wonderful husband, with never a dull moment in their household. He was first of all an Army officer, and he always felt that was where his first duty lay.

He will long be remembered by his friends, fellow officers and classmates. This affection for Jim is well expressed by the following remarks made by Major General Joseph F. Cleland, Commanding General of the XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, North Carolina on the occasion of the dedication of the James A. Bassett Memorial 30 April 1955:

"We are here today to dedicate a lasting tribute, to show our love and respect, to Jim Bassett—Colonel James A. Bassett, a soldier, an officer, a trooper and a gentleman.

"We can truthfully say that from his courage and inspiration, as a Second Lieutenant, as one of the two officers and 48 men, of the First Parachute Test Platoon at Fort Benning in 1940, grew our great Airborne organization and this "Home of the Airborne" at Fort Bragg.

"The dedication of this simple memorial, in bronze and concrete, we his friends, hope will perpetuate, for all to see, and know—that he died for a purpose in the service of his Country. This street, destined to be one of the main arteries of Fort Bragg, as it will serve our new eight million dollar hospital, will also bear his name in lasting remembrance.

"Let us not be sad, but rather glad and proud, that we here had the privilege to know Jim Bassett and to live with him."

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## Walter Vernon Waller

NO. 16746 CLASS OF 1948

Died January 20, 1957 in an automobile accident near Dayton, Ohio, aged 33 years.

"WALT" was born in Cumberland, Ohio, December 11, 1923. There he received his early education and graduated from High School in 1941. He then entered the College of Engineering at Ohio State University and spent one and one-half years there. He entered the Army March 17, 1943, and was sent to the Signal Corps at Fort Lewis. He had a great desire to enter the Military Academy, and it was while serving at Fort Lewis that he received his appointment to West Point.

He was transferred to the Army Specialized Training Program at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, November 3, 1943, where he was discharged June 17, 1944.

In July, 1944 Walton joined the Class of 1948 at West Point. His work came



hard but he loved it. He was always proud of West Point and the Service and expected it to be his career. At graduation he was commissioned in the Air Force and sent to Lackland Air Force Base. He graduated from Air Tactical School in 1950. In 1951 he went overseas with the Third Avn. Field Depot Squadron. Upon his return to the States he was stationed with Hdqrs. A.M.C. Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, where he remained until his death.

His hobbies were photography and boating. He owned a sail boat of which he was very proud, and spent as much time sailing as his duties would permit. It was while returning from a meeting of his Boat Club at Sidney, Ohio that he was killed.

While he was a Cadet he joined the Masonic Lodge in his home town of Cumberland, Ohio. He always had a great interest in Masonry.

Captain Waller's military record was excellent. He was held in esteem by all who knew him for his loyalty and attention to duty. His fine qualities were disclosed by his conscientiousness, willingness to assume responsibility, and his consideration for others. His likable personality, compounded with intelligence, common sense, ability, and a sense of humor

endeared him to all who worked with him. Each task which was his to perform was accomplished with eagerness and enthusiasm which truly denoted his sincere love of country and devotion to duty.

He was a man of highest integrity, always kept his word, and was punctual in keeping his promises. He was quiet, generous, unselfish, and always a loyal friend. He held high his standards of duty and conduct. His genial disposition, natural courtesy, and friendly unassuming manner made it normal for people to like him. He took a keen interest in current affairs and was a student of the best books and periodicals.

He lived and served well and for this we say "Well Done." Although he has joined the Long Gray Line earlier than most, during the space of his short career he lived up to the highest tradition of West Point.

—Oscar E. Waller  
his father

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## James Harper Gordon

NO. 20827 CLASS OF 1956

Died December 6, 1958 in an automobile accident near Markel, Texas, aged 24 years.

"DUM-DE-DE-DUM: Dum-de-de-dum:" It was Harper's own special song he had made up and when I heard it, I knew my seven-year-old son was home and soon would come bursting into the room to tell us of his wonderful day at school. Every day seemed to be more wonderful than the last one as he happily recounted the events just past.

When he was in the second grade, his class had a pet show. Always an individualist, he took his little sister "piggy-back" in the pet parade and won first place.

Even at this age, Harper's organizational ability was evident as he had all the neighborhood children carrying out various projects in play. We sometimes called him teasingly, "the executive."

From the time Harper was twelve, he earned all of his spending money from such enterprizes as bee-keeping, photography, and helping ranchmen. Especially successful in photographing children, he had people from as far away as Fort Worth bringing their children to have their pictures taken.

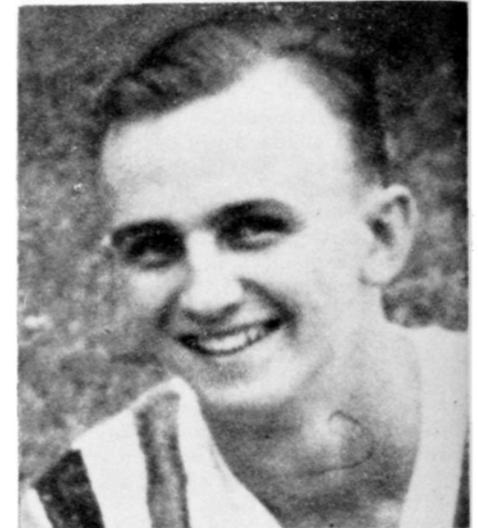
We lived on a ranch in Central Texas and when Harper was about thirteen years old, he once said, "I guess I'm the happiest boy in the world. I have my horse; my radio (he would listen till the small hours of the morning to the national political conventions); my collections: (books on history, especially on the Civil War, stamps, arrowheads, beetles, and rocks); my photography; my scout troops; my dog; and my gun;—everything a boy could want." Always an omniverous reader, Harper was interested in everything going on in the world around him and abroad. We had wonderful evenings together reading aloud and discussing events and people in the world both past and present.

There were no scout troops in the county until Harper had organized two cub scout troops, serving as their leader. Elected the Gold Star Winner in 1951 for Bosque County 4-H Club work, he

also received awards in Leadership, Yield Crops, and Farm and Home Safety. He served as the 4-H Club delegate to the State Conservation Camp at Trinidad that year, 1951.

Extremely interested in sports, Harper played football, baseball, and basketball in high school. When track season rolled around, he discovered the Kopperl High School not only had no track team but no one on the faculty would coach the team if they had one. With his usual zest and initiative, he ordered a book on track, and with book in hand coached the boys who were interested. Kopperl won the District Championship and Harper won the gold trophy as high point man of the meet.

Driving an ancient jalopy which they had rebuilt, Harper and a friend went on a jaunt to Mexico the year he was fifteen. They slept under the stars on the steps of an antique temple, took in the Opera in Mexico City, swam and fished at Acapulco, and had the time of their lives. Later, at West Point, Harper organized another trip to Mexico with Stan Wilker, Don Little, and Bob Nicholson, also Class



of '56. While there, they were the guests of the Military Academy of Mexico which staged a review of cadets in their honor. Later, in Mexico City at a reception given by Harper's cousins for some of the diplomatic and military personnel, the boys were on a televised newscast.

Four of the happiest years of Harper's life were spent at West Point. His letters told of the charm and beauty of the campus, the inspiration of his professors, the traditions and ideals of the school, and his happiness in his friendships and his work. He loved the chapel and sent us many colored pictures of it and the stained glass windows and altar. A high point in his life and ours was his graduation from West Point. It was a festive June Week.

Possessed of a ready wit, Harper wrote gay, amusing letters from his training centers, Mission and Selma. If there were hardships, they were never mentioned. I never heard him say anything ill of a single person in his life. His loyalty to his friends was notable. He loved West Point and he loved the Air Force. He spoke often about how fortunate he was to be in the Air Force. In his short life, he lived more and enjoyed more than the average person would in a life span of the traditional four score and ten years. I am proud of my son who brought me great happiness.



Reports of deaths of graduates and former cadets received  
since the publication of the Winter 1960 ASSEMBLY

Name	Class	Date	Place
Kirby Walker	1892	January 10, 1960	Naval Hospital, San Diego, California
William I. Westervelt	1900	March 2, 1960	Brattleboro Retreat, Brattleboro, Vermont
Elliott J. Dent	1901	January 10, 1960	Winter Park, Florida
William W. Edwards	1902	February 22, 1960	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Richard C. Burleson	1906	March 2, 1960	Baltimore, Maryland
Cortlandt Parker	1906	January 15, 1960	Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts
Lucian D. Booth	1907	February 11, 1960	Roanoke, Virginia
Ernest G. Cullum	1908	August 10, 1959	Santa Fe, New Mexico
William T. Rossell	Ex-1909	February 10, 1960	Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, New York
Falkner Heard	1913	January 1, 1960	Ft. Sam Houston, Texas
Robert M. Perkins	1913	January 15, 1960	United States Army Hospital, Ft. Ord, California
Leland H. Stanford	1914	February 29, 1960	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Marshall H. Quesenberry	1915	February 11, 1960	Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, California
Anastacio Q. Ver	1915	March 5, 1960	San Francisco, California
Albert H. Warren	1915	January 5, 1960	Oakland, California
William C. Coogan	June 1915	April 24, 1956	Phoenix, Arizona
Henry M. Underwood	June 1915	March 1, 1960	Washington, D.C.
William J. Crowe	1919	February 23, 1960	Westover AFB Hospital, Massachusetts
Hilton E. Heineke	1919	January 11, 1960	Vincennes, Indiana
Rex V. D. Corput, Jr.	1920	March 12, 1960	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Joseph R. Stauffer	1920	February 7, 1960	Stamford, Connecticut
Basil G. Thayer	1920	January 23, 1960	Del Ray Beach, Florida
William A. Watson	1920	May 15, 1959	New Orleans, Louisiana
Charles H. Heyl, Jr.	1923	March 13, 1960	Mobile, Alabama
William E. Maulsby, Jr.	1929	January 9, 1960	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Shelby F. Williams	1933	February 11, 1960	San Antonio, Texas
Paul H. Ugis, Jr.	1945	February 17, 1960	London, England
Laurence H. Shuck, Jr.	1959	January 27, 1960	Gulf of Mexico (raft overturned)
Reuben C. Taylor	1903	March 25, 1960	St. Louis, Missouri
Dennis E. McCunniff	1913	April 3, 1960	Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota
Ralph J. Miller	1919	March 23, 1960	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Robert W. Berry	1924	April 1, 1960	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.



