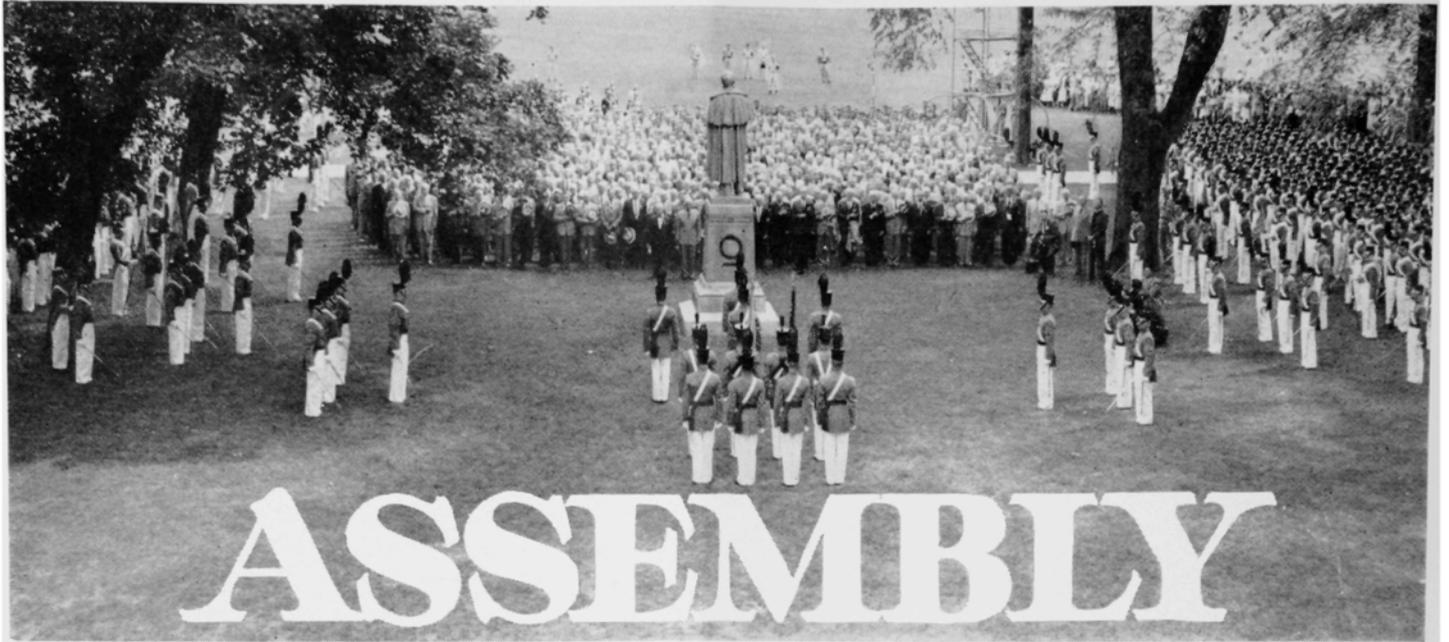


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Dear Fellow Graduates:

During the past several weeks, I have had the pleasure of visiting with and addressing ten groups of graduates assembled for Founders Day dinners. The Commandant, Dean, and a number of other officers have addressed another fifteen groups of graduates. It was my personal privilege to meet approximately two thousand alumni on the West Coast, in Texas, and here in the East. I can report with pride and pleasure that on this our 159th anniversary year the esprit de Corps of the Long Gray Line is at a high pitch.

As this issue goes to press, final plans are under way for the summer training of the Corps which this year will include a further expansion of our Army Orientation Training Program in Europe. You will recall that last year we assigned First Classmen to Seventh Army units for thirty days of duty as Junior Officers. The training was so successful in the opinion of the Seventh Army Commander and the Tactical Department that we have expanded it to include members of the Second Class also. This does not mean a cadet will have two summers in Europe, but it will insure that each cadet during his last two years at the Academy will be able to participate in this valuable training, as a First or Second Classman, and still contribute to the training of the new Plebes in Beast Barracks or the yearlings at Camp Buckner. Other than elimination of the lengthy Second Class trip to various military installations in June, the training program for this summer remains essentially the same as in 1960.

The first few days in March brought to a close the winter sports season. The climax of the season took place with the Navy weekend at which time we split an eight event schedule with Navy. Probably the most exciting contest was the track meet with our unexpected win over the powerful Navy Track Squad. The outcome was determined finally by a close win in the two mile relay. Other wins were registered in wrestling, pistol, and rifle while Navy hung up victories in squash, gymnastics, swimming, and basketball. The week following saw us gain victories over RMC in hockey (7-1) and pistol; but, in debating, RMC was declared the winner.

In the last issue of Assembly a report was made on the validation of cadets and on the prospective participation of the First Class in elective courses. The Class of 1961 is now engaged in a study of 23 elective subjects. These courses of study are challenging and the response by the class has been excellent. The Class of 1962 will take an elective course in each of the two semesters next academic year, and they have already made their choices.

I would like to report on another program which we have termed the Advanced Studies Program. A cadet, to participate in the Advanced Program, must be enrolled in one or more advanced courses beyond the standard ones which make up the core curriculum. This is not an entirely new program since advanced courses have been given for a number of years. We are, however, attempting as never before to identify and challenge further those cadets who are capable of doing advanced

work, much of which is equivalent to the taking of an additional elective course. For example, in Mathematics, 89 cadets of the Third Class are enrolled in an Advanced Program which will give them more than the equivalent of the elective course in Advanced Calculus. In effect, they have added an additional course to their program. We are encouraged that 44% of our cadets are enrolled in one or more advanced courses in this second term and are thus benefiting from the Advanced Studies Program. In these transition years we are continuously widening our horizons.

As you know, we consider our admissions effort of tremendous importance to the Academy, and timely reports in Assembly are one of the best ways we have found to keep you informed. It is too early to give you a report on the caliber of our next year's Plebe Class; however, there are some very promising indications. First, more Members of Congress than ever before have adopted the Congressional Competitive Method of Nomination in the selection of their nominees. Secondly, the number of young men who were successful in obtaining a nomination as a candidate is the largest in the peacetime history of the Academy. At the time of the March examinations, more than 3,400 boys had been nominated, which is 700 more than the total of last year. We expect that the number will approach 3,600 by June. It should be emphasized that this represents but a small portion of the total number of individuals who applied to their Congressmen for a nomination.

I am happy to report that on 14 March 1961 The President advanced Colonel George R. Stephens, former Professor of English, who retired on 31 January, to the rank of Brigadier General on the retired list.

This year our Founders Day dinner at West Point will be held on 15 May rather than in mid March as is usually the custom. The change in dates was necessary in order that appropriate arrangements could be made for the annual award of the Thayer Medal to President Eisenhower. If any of you plan to be in the West Point area at the time, we hope you will join us on this occasion.

Finally, I am happy to report that our project for a much needed new library is making encouraging progress. We hope for favorable congressional action which will enable us to start construction this year. This project is discussed in full detail elsewhere in this issue of Assembly.

The Corps joins me in greetings to each of you from West Point. We look forward to seeing many of you during June Week.

Faithfully yours,

W. C. WESTMORELAND
Major General, USA
Superintendent

BULLETIN BOARD

Homecoming 1961

The Superintendent has approved the recommendation of the Alumni Secretary, concurred in by the Athletic Board, that the Army-Boston University football game, 30 September, be designated as the Homecoming Game, 1961. The weekend of that game will be Homecoming. Start now to plan your return. The program will be announced in Summer ASSEMBLY. The class of 1956 will hold its 5th Reunion at Homecoming.

Mrs. Kingsley Honored by USMA Graduates

Mrs. Blanche O. Kingsley, of 169 Fullerton Avenue, Newburgh, New York, was recently honored by the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy upon her retirement. General A. C. McAuliffe, President, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, presented to Mrs. Kingsley the formal thanks of the Association.

Mrs. Kingsley, who lives with her son, Mr. Albert Kingsley, Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Newburgh, served the Association for almost 32 years. She was its first paid employee, and for many years she was its only employee. She has been closely associated with possibly more prominent graduates of the famous institution than any other person. Many famous men have been officers and trustees of the Association and, as its Chief Clerk, Mrs. Kingsley got to know many of them.

Since April, 1929, when she first started as assistant to Colonel Roger G. Alexander, then Secretary, almost 15,000 cadets have graduated. Among them are the current Superintendent and Commandant, many of the Professors, and other prominent alumni. As the custodian of the Association files, she has accumulated a tremendous fund of personal information regarding the graduates of West Point.

Mrs. Kingsley's devotion to her job with the Association of Graduates has been an example of the "Duty" emblazoned on the institution's motto. Living in Newburgh, she commuted by bus to West Point. Usually in good health, only the weather could keep her from her work. If the bus ran, she was on the first one. Only a few times,

when snow closed the Storm King Road, was she absent from work.

The citation presented by General McAuliffe expressed the feeling of all who knew her. It read: "To Mrs. Blanche O. Kingsley for her long and faithful service to this organization, for her great interest in its members, for her unflinching courtesy and constant willingness to be of service, we extend our thanks and our best wishes for her continued good health, happiness, and prosperity upon her retirement."



Presentation of citation from Association of Graduates to Mrs. Kingsley.

Officers and Trustees Nominated for Next Year

In a letter to the President of the Association of Graduates, Colonel Boyd W. Bartlett, '19, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, submitted the slate for the coming year. The Committee followed precedents established by previous committees, giving due weight to age distribution of the Trustees, desirability of continuity, and the interest in the Association displayed by possible nominees.

The offices of President and Vice President are filled for only one year, while those of the Trustees are for three years. While there is no constitutional prohibition, nor even strong precedent that the President be reelected only twice, General McAuliffe had expressed the desire to be relieved of this duty. He will complete

three years in office this June. The Committee regretfully acceded to his wish, but nominated him as a Trustee in order to continue to receive his counsel.

General Robert E. Wood, '00, was nominated as an Honorary Trustee. This designation is not subject to election but is automatic upon completion of his term as a regular Trustee. General Wood has been a most generous supporter, in both time and money, to the Association of Graduates. We hope he will continue his interest and counsel, perhaps now at a more leisurely pace.

The following slate will be presented to the members at the annual meeting of the Association of Graduates to be held in Washington Hall on Monday, 5 June 1961:

To serve until June 1962

For President

Leslie R. Groves, Nov. '18

For Vice President

James B. Crawford, '11; Edward G. Bliss, '16; Rupert H. Johnson, '21; Elvin R. Heiberg, '26; Marvin J. Coyle, '31.

For Trustees, to serve until 1 July 1964

Willard A. Holbrook, Nov. '18; Anthony C. McAuliffe, '19; Willis McDonald, '20; Irving A. Duffy, '26 (R-Fifth Army); Norton B. Wilson, '31; William C. Westmoreland, '36; Richard G. Stilwell, '38; Harvey R. Fraser, '39; Arthur T. Flum, '45 (R-Second Army); Clair L. Book, '46; Paul R. Hilty, '51; Forrest J. French, '56.



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DUFFY



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WESTMORELAND



STILWELL



FRASER



FLUM



BOOK



HILTY



FRENCH

A New Library At West Point

The library is properly considered the heart of every institution of learning as well as its most important intellectual resource. The present library structure at West Point, which was completed in 1841 as an astronomical observatory and multi-purpose building with only one room originally designated for library purposes, has outlived its usefulness in terms of the various functions the modern, college-level library is called upon to perform.

When an institution decides it is necessary to build an expensive new structure like a library, the decision to do so is not an arbitrary one. It is determined by the institution's goals, its curriculum, and its teaching methods, as well as by its number of students and teaching faculty. West Point has outgrown its old building. The increasing emphasis on the use of multiple texts, individual research, and seminar-type courses as well as the inevitable expansion of the curriculum makes an adaptation or adjustment to the old building impossible. This view was substantiated by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which concluded in its Evaluation Report of 1959 that the present library "simply could not bear comparison with the libraries of otherwise comparable institutions in America." The Boards of Visitors for 1959 and 1960 shared this opinion by stating "that the lack of adequate library facilities could jeopardize the academic standing of the United States Military Academy." Both boards recommended "that prompt action should be taken to provide an adequate, modern library for West Point, a suitable companion piece for the remainder of the academic plant."

A detailed examination of the present building makes clear its striking inadequacies in book capacity, seating, display facilities, and repository space.

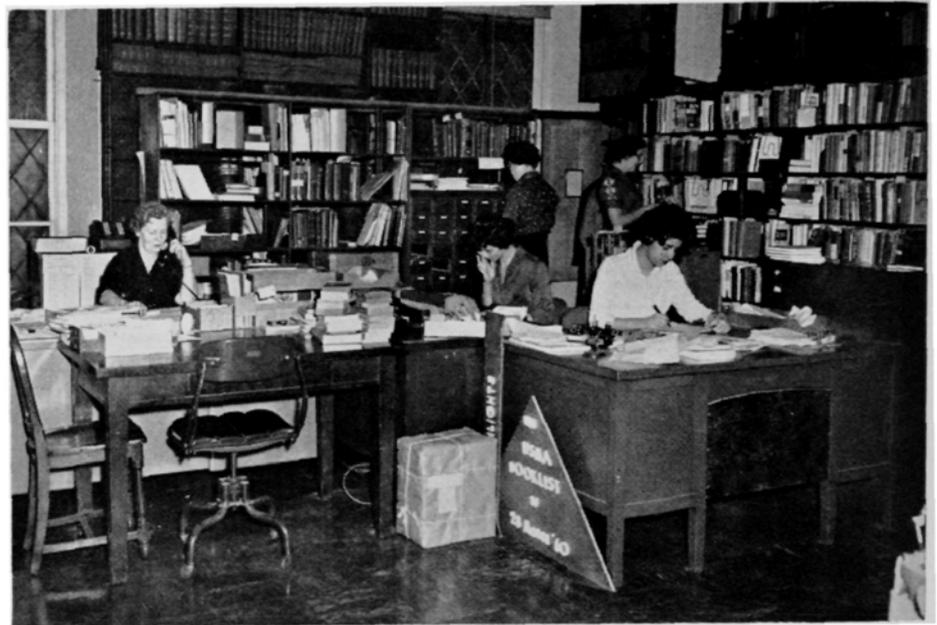
The library is now crowded with more than 180,000 volumes; approximately 35,000 of these are stored in substandard attic and basement space exposed to destructive extremes in temperature and humidity. The accompanying pictures testify to this unsatisfactory condition. Most important, curriculum requirements demand that the book collection must rapidly expand from 180,000 to something around 350,000 volumes.

Seating space in the library can now

accommodate about 200 cadets. Local experience indicates a need for more than 700 seating spaces. Seating requirements were established after an analysis of the demands imposed on the library by the West Point teaching program. Incidentally, professional standards established by the American Library Association, published as *Standards for College Libraries* (1959) and used as a guide in the evaluation and accreditation of academic institu-

tions, recommended for new library buildings that: "Accommodations for at least one-third of the student body will be essential. The changing concept of the role of the library in the academic community may make necessary an upward revision of this figure."

In addition, the present library building does not have the floor space required to care for and make available the necessary holdings of periodicals, newspapers, and standard refer-



Overcrowding impedes work flow in Acquisitions and Cataloging.



Severe overcrowding, lack of study space, inadequate equipment for display and storage of periodicals, insufficient cloakroom facilities.



Restricted accessibility to crowded wall shelving on narrow balconies.

ence works. This type of material represents a library's forward echelon. The West Point teaching program requires quick and easy access to current information, and accessibility thereto is an important factor in providing adequate reference service.

The present building also lacks a proper area for housing U. S. Government and international agency documents. The USMA library has been a depository for selected government documents for more than one hundred years. In addition to these publications, UN, NATO, and SEATO documents are of particular reference and research value.

In addition, a need exists for audio-visual facilities, for an archives area, and for a West Point room.

The audio-visual facilities will house library materials in the many new forms in which they are now being produced by modern technology. For example, the audio-visual area will include disc-record and tape sound equipment for linguistic materials, readings of plays and poetry, and music. Also included will be microfilm and microcard facilities, a film and slide projection room, and fine arts pictorial material used in exhibits to support the educational program.

The archives area will house the unique body of records pertaining to Military Academy cadets as well as the West Point administrative records essential for historical studies.

The West Point Room will supply the space to retain, preserve, and display historic West Pointiana, local historical materials, and rare books and manuscripts which represent signifi-

cant contributions to military history and technology. Properly presented, these library resources may also play a role in motivating and educating the Corps of Cadets.

The need for a new building is clear. It is being planned for the site of the old one, and would blend with the prevailing Gothic architecture which faces the Plain. This decision was arrived at as a result of most careful and extended analysis, as well as a thorough restudy of the site directed by the Superintendent, Major General William C. Westmoreland. There are a number of compelling factors which indicate the propriety of using the old library site.

Flat ground is a priceless commodity at West Point. The site on which the old library stands is perhaps the most valuable area at the Academy because of its central location with respect to the cadet barracks and academic buildings. It follows that the use of this site should be limited to the most important cadet training functions. The old structure at this location provides only about 30,000 square feet of space, ill-adapted for any academic or administrative use. The new building will provide on this site more than 75,000 square feet of usable space, with an even greater potential by the use of double-tiered stacks.

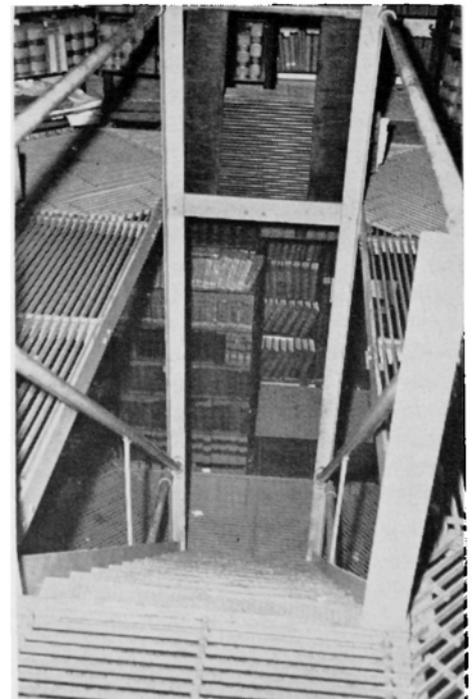
An examination of the existing library building indicates that it is not feasible to convert this structure for utilization by cadet academic or related facilities. The present structure has exterior walls of solid stone masonry. For the most part the interior partitions are also of the load-bearing

type and consist of solid stone masonry. The present arrangement of the load-bearing partitions causes poor space allocation of library use. All floors have wide corridors and stairways. Most of the rooms are either quite large or quite small. One very large room extends in height from the first floor to the attic. To modify this structure would be very costly and would require the removal of most of the interior load-bearing partitions. This would, in effect, amount to the complete razing of the building.

Moreover, the use of the existing library site to provide the new facility makes it possible to continue the use of the existing Bryant E. Moore Wing in conjunction with the new library. The Moore Wing was built in 1954 specifically for library purposes and holds 35,000 volumes.

The proposal to construct a new building is now before Congress. If the present Congress takes favorable action on this project, it is anticipated that construction will start late in 1961. This means that the library will have to vacate its present quarters during the coming summer. Plans are now being developed for interim library service with the hope that a new building may be completed, furnished, and occupied for service by the beginning of the 1963 academic year.

The proposed solution will not only provide an adequate modern facility but will give substantially more library for the dollars available.



Volumes are stored in sub-standard facilities previously occupied by astronomical instruments.

BRAZIL'S MILITARY ACADEMY

By COL. C. J. BARRETT, Professor, Department of Foreign Languages

The Academia Militar das Agulhas Negras, officially abbreviated to AMAN, is located just north of the city of Resende. It is approximately ninety miles west of Rio de Janeiro and one hundred and sixty miles northeast of São Paulo. From an altitude of 1300 feet near the headquarters, the land sweeps upward to the mountain range on the north which contains the five Agulhas Negras (Black Needles) from which the school takes its name. The climate is temperate, the setting magnificent, the buildings modern and inspiring, the instruction well conducted and thoroughly up to date.

Military education in Brazil was of a strictly regional or local character until the early years of the nineteenth century, and the preparation of officers for the armed forces was until then accomplished in Portugal. Napoleon's invasion of Portugal in 1807 caused the royal family and the court to flee to Brazil, where they remained until 1821. On December 4, 1810, Prince John, regent for his demented mother, Queen Maria I, signed a decree establishing the Royal Military Academy, with the mission of giving theoretical and practical training to officers of Engineers and Artillery and of preparing them for all the duties of those arms. The school, direct antecedent of the present-day AMAN, opened its doors in Rio de Janeiro on April 23, 1811, so that it will celebrate its sesquicentennial in the spring of the current year.

But in its century and a half of existence the Academia has seen many changes. When Brazil acquired its independence in 1822, the word Imperial was substituted for Royal in its title. Ten years later it was combined with the Naval Academy and designated Military Academy of the Capital (which was then Rio de Janeiro). The following year, however, the two Academies were again separated, and courses in Infantry and Cavalry were added to those already existing in Artillery and Engineers in the Military Academy, which in 1839 was redesignated The Military School.

In the 1850s there were three schools: The Escola Militar; a School for Infantry and Cavalry, in Rio Grande do Sul, teaching some of the same courses as the Escola Militar; and an Army School of Application, in Porto Alegre, also teaching some of the same courses.

This situation led to a change in the status of the Escola Militar, which became in 1858 the Escola Central, with a curriculum embracing mathematics, the physical and natural sciences, and civil engineering. The students were military or civilian, and the school itself became the National School of Engineering. The other two schools continued functioning, with some changes in name, until 1866, when the war with Paraguay caused an interruption in military education in Brazil.

With its resumption in 1874 a long



Coat of arms of the AMAN. Shield showing castle before peaks known as Agulhas Negras is surrounded by coffee leaves and berries and surmounted by star from national coat of arms. Crossed rifles, crossed lances, and cannon are discernible behind shield.

trend began toward establishing the Escola Militar at the apex of all preparatory training, which was to be conducted at other schools of lesser stature. The Escola Militar was located in Rio where, in 1929, it began preparing cadets for yet another arm, Aviation, though the flying training of these cadets was conducted at the nearby Military Aviation School, an Army establishment. When the Air Force was separated from the Army in 1941, the Aviation course was dropped at the Escola Militar.

In January, 1931, Colonel José Pessoa Cavalcante de Albuquerque was appointed to command the Escola Militar, and under his direction planning began for the transfer of the school to its present site. The first stone was laid on June 29, 1938. The school was moved from Rio on January 1, 1944,

taking the name Escola Militar de Resende. This in turn gave way in 1951 to the new title, Academia Militar das Agulhas Negras, the name it bears today.

The normal strength of the Corps of Cadets at the AMAN is about 1440. Serving at the Academia are about 300 officers, 1500 enlisted men, and 450 civilians in administrative and similar positions. The ground area of the school is slightly more than 25 square miles, including ranges and maneuver areas.

The mission of the AMAN is to give the future Army officer the basic education necessary to fit him for the duties of a junior officer of the combat arms, including engineers and signal troops, or of the administrative services. That education is:

1. Moral, seeking to develop a high sense of honor, of discipline, and of professional responsibility.

2. Intellectual, including mathematics, the sciences, and the humanities, providing a base for the future studies required to fit the individual for the highest positions of command or of direction of technical endeavor.

3. Technical and professional, equipping the student for the military duties of junior officers.

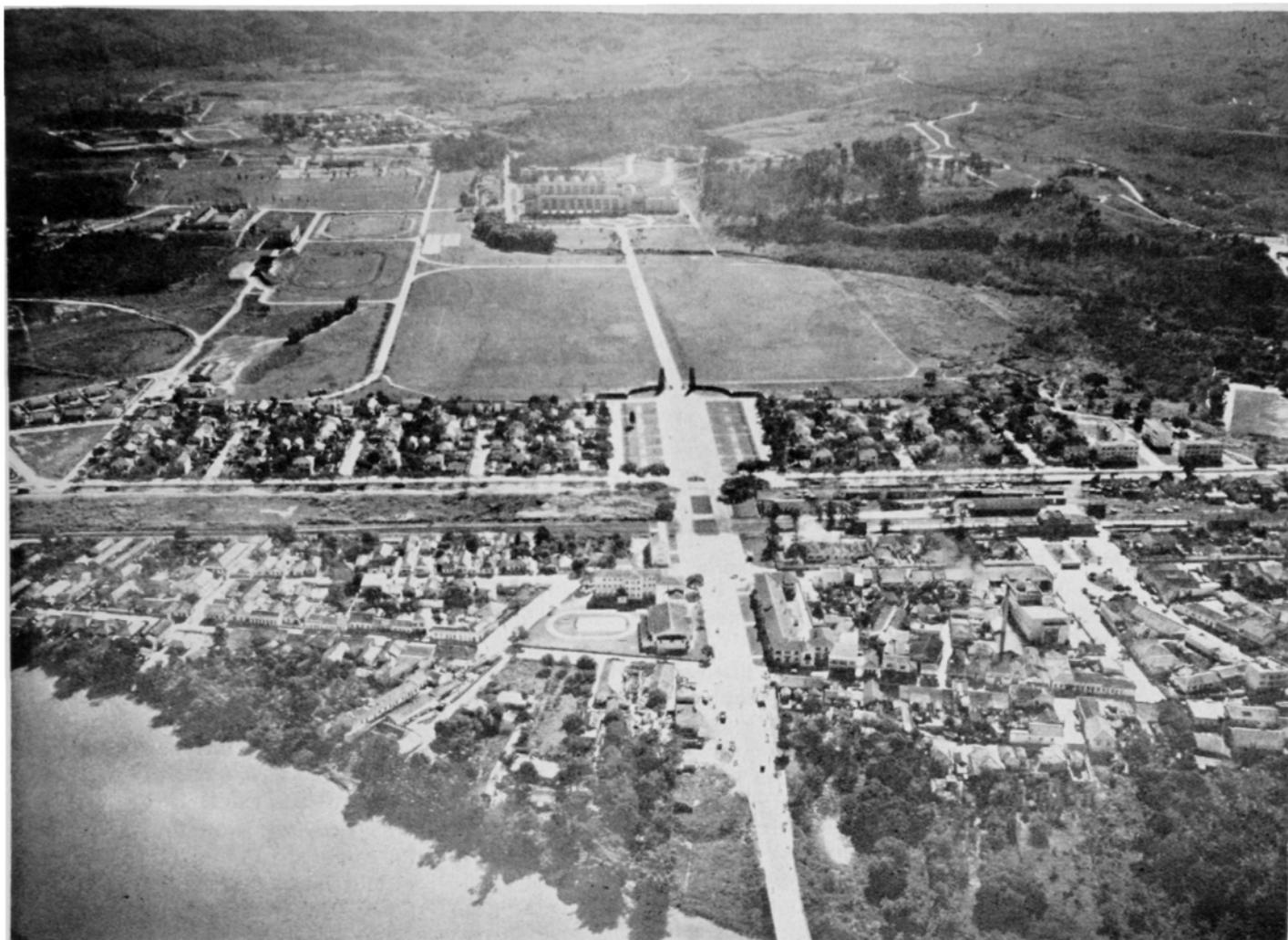
4. Physical, designed to create a high standard of physical fitness and to develop a spirit of cooperation and teamwork.

Toward the fulfillment of this mission eight courses are offered at the AMAN, a one-year basic course required of all students, followed for each cadet by one of these seven two-year courses:

Infantry	Engineering
Cavalry	Communications
Artillery	Ordnance

Administration

Each of these specialized courses has the mission of giving the cadet the basic military education required for a junior officer of the appropriate arm or service, in addition to a general cultural acquaintance and a knowledge of science which will permit him to perfect himself in subsequent schooling for the full duties of his particular field. Though the responsibilities of an officer in any one of these fields need not be enumerated for the readers of this article, it might be pointed out that



View of the Academia Militar, looking toward the north. In foreground, the city of Resende and the Paraiba River.

the graduates of the Ordnance course go on to become industrial engineers, a specialty existing in but not particular to any any of the technical services of the United States Army.

At the end of the basic course selection is made of the cadets for assignment to the courses in Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, Engineering, or Administration. At the end of the first term of the second year the cadets in Engineering are further subdivided, either to continue with Engineering or to specialize in Communications or Ordnance. Selection is based upon

An evaluation of the aptitude, personality, and interests of the cadet.

His preference, as determined by personal interview.

His rank in class at the time of selection.

In principle, and whenever possible, a cadet is not assigned to a course against his will. In case of conflict between his wishes and his aptitudes great care is taken to advise him and to provide him with every bit of information necessary to enable him to make a valid and conscientious choice for his future. If his choice remains unshaken

his wishes are respected, provided that the quota for the course he desires has not already been filled by other cadets of higher class standing.

Instruction at the AMAN is conducted by Sections, with titles and subject matter as follows:

Languages and Literature

Portuguese language, Portuguese literature, other literature in translation.

Geography and History

Social Sciences

Sociology, Psychology, Law, Economics, Finance, Administration, Accounting.

Mathematics

Mathematics, Statistics, Graphics.

Physics and Chemistry

Mechanics

Electricity

Topography

Topography, Aerial Mapping.

Physical Education

Military Instruction, with the following subsections:

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| Basic | Communications |
| Infantry | Ordnance |
| Cavalry | Equitation |
| Artillery | Mechanized Forces |
| Engineering | Command |

Tactics

Instruction at the AMAN is aimed primarily at developing powers of reasoning, plus an understanding of basic principles. To this end practical application of the subjects is constantly sought, not for the purpose of training the cadets in specific uses but rather to enable them to understand the means and to equip the future officers with judgment which will permit them to make suitable adaptation of principles in tactics or in techniques both military and industrial.

The school year begins on February 15 and ends on November 30. A recess of one week occurs at the end of June or in early July and divides the school year into two terms. Examinations are held generally in December. Cadets whose term average is satisfactory may be excused from parts of these examinations. For cadets who fail the written examinations an oral examination, a form of reexamination, is given, usually in late January. A cadet who fails the examination series in any subject may not be promoted. He may be discharged or he may be, in effect, turned back, in which case he must repeat all the subjects of the year in which he

failed, even though he may have done satisfactory work in some of them.

Other causes for discharge are deficiency in conduct, lack of aptitude for the service, physical disability incurred as a cadet, or contracting marriage. In aptitude cases certain cadets, elected by their classmates, sit as members of the aptitude board, whose other members are officers of the AMAN. A cadet found by the board to lack the necessary aptitude appears later before another board of senior officers. If this board concurs in the judgment of the earlier one, the cadet still has the right to appeal to the Army staff and ultimately to the Minister of War himself.

At the end of each year and at the end of the three-year course an order of merit of all the cadets is prepared. In case a tie exists it is resolved on the basis of standing in military aptitude. If still a tie the higher place goes to the cadet with the most enlisted service or, beyond that, to the senior in age.

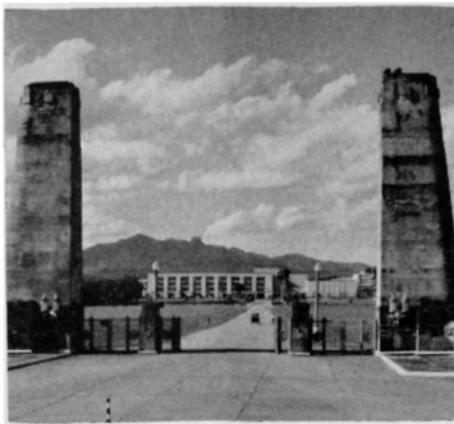
The cadet's day includes a maximum of eight hours of classroom or other instruction, of study, or of extracurricular activities related to the course of study. A minimum of eight hours is set aside for sleep. The remainder of the time is available for meals, haircuts, administration, or recreation, including extracurricular activities not related directly to the course of studies.

Academic subjects are concentrated in the early part of the week. Classes and interpolated study periods run from 7:00 to 11:00 and from 1:00 to 5:00. Military instruction occupies all of Friday and, except for the basic course, may also take in Thursday afternoon.

Extracurricular activities, generally on Saturday, include literary or artistic pursuits, sports, debates, music, and student publications. Especially encouraged is the study of languages, notably Spanish, French, English, or German. A practical approach is used, aimed at acquisition of the ability to read books and technical reviews, principally military, and to carry on ordinary conversation. Authorities discourage, however, the formation of groups for any purpose among the cadets of a single course, which is considered prejudicial to the unity of spirit which should exist among the several arms and services.

A cadet upon graduation becomes an Aspirante a Oficial, a grade just below that of second lieutenant. He may be promoted without further formal schooling through the grades to captain, but must then qualify in advanced schools before promotion to field grade.

The graduated cadet is expected to make a life-time career of the Army.



Close-up of main gate, front of main building complex in middle distance.

He may seek to resign but has no right to acceptance of his resignation after any fixed period of years. If he tries to resign within his first ten years of service he must be prepared to reimburse the government for the cost of his education.

Before discussing admission to the AMAN mention should be made of two types of schools maintained by the Brazilian Army for the education of its soldiers. One is the Escola Preparatoria, of which there are three, each one with a course of three years, designed to prepare candidates for the AMAN or for subordinate rank in the Army. The other type is the Colegio Militar, with a complete seven-year course of secondary education.

Annually the Minister of War establishes the number of cadets to be admitted to the AMAN, and also the number of these places to be reserved for graduates of the Escolas Preparatorias and the Colegio Militar. These graduates must have a grade average of 6 or better (on a scale of 10) in each subject of the mental examination for admission in order to be considered for the AMAN.

Graduates of these institutions who do not have the required grade average and all other applicants for admission are grouped together. All candidates, from whatever source, must

be Brazilian citizens by birth.

have never been married.

be at least 17 and not yet 23 years old (25 for military personnel).

be of good moral character.

have completed the course at the Escola Preparatoria, the Colegio Militar, or the scientific or classical course at a civilian secondary school.

have registered for or already entered upon active military service.

have the consent of parent or guardian, if less than 18 years old.

have been vaccinated within the past six months against smallpox.

have paid fees amounting to the equivalent of the College Entrance Examination Board fees in the United States, except that military personnel are exempt from these fees.

All candidates must pass a physical examination, a physical aptitude test, and a psychological interview. All except those with satisfactory grades from the Escolas Preparatorias of the Colegio Militar must also take a searching mental examination, which is given at more than twenty different Army posts during the first half of January. Five separate mental tests, each of four hours duration, are required, distributed as follows:

Portuguese

Arithmetic and Algebra

Geometry and Trigonometry

Engineering Drawing and Projection

Physics and Chemistry

The physical examination is given at the same posts and is designed to discover any disqualifying abnormalities. To be acceptable a candidate must be at least 5'3" tall, weigh at least 110 pounds, and have a chest measurement of at least 29 inches.

The physical aptitude test requires the candidate to run 60 meters in 9 seconds and a half-mile in 3:30; high jump 3'7"; broad jump 10 feet; rope climb 10 feet; throw an 11-pound weight a total of 40 feet in two throws, one with each hand; and carry 66 pounds a distance of 50 meters in 20 seconds. A candidate who fails more than one of the events is disqualified.

The psychological interview is conducted by the Psychology Section of the Division of Instruction at the AMAN and is designed to eliminate candidates who lack the aptitude and personal qualities required in the performance of duty by officers of the Army.

At the end of the tests and interviews all qualified candidates are arranged in two groups, each in order of desirability for admission. For those who qualify from the Escolas Preparatorias and the Colegio Militar classification is according to their school grades in the subjects of the mental examination. All the others are arranged according to their grades in the examination itself. In case of tie for placement the higher place goes to the candidate considered most suitable in the psychological interview. If a tie continues the place goes to the older candidate, and thereafter by lot. Candidates are subsequently admitted in accordance with their standing on these

lists, up to the number of places authorized for each group.

Approach to the Academia Militar for everyone, be he candidate, cadet, or simply visitor, is from the south, through a broad esplanade, with groups of senior officers quarters on both sides. Directly ahead is the main entrance, two huge blocks of masonry symbolizing the magnitude of the task entrusted to those who, having entered as students, come out again as officers of the Army. Between these blocks are three ornamental iron gates, on which are placed the insignia of the arms and services for membership in which the cadets are being trained.

The central gate, the largest one, is open daily for normal circulation. The gate on the right as the visitor enters is opened only once a year, for the entrance of the new cadets under command of the youngest one of them. The gate on the opposite side, called the Gate of Vistory, is also opened only once a year, with special ceremony, and through it pass the graduated cadets under command of the one ranking first in order of merit.

Just inside the gate is the main parade, a quarter of a mile on a side. The entrance road traverses this parade, crosses a small stream, and leads directly to a plaza before the main building complex, which includes the headquarters of the Academia and of the Corps of Cadets, academic offices, classrooms and laboratories, cadet barracks, a 1200-seat theater, a 1500-seat dining hall, a library designed to hold 200,000 volumes, and a museum.

On a small hill to the right and beyond the main building complex is an excellent hospital, while to the left and beyond the same reference point are the post utilities and the materiel parks, offices and classrooms of the military instruction subsections. Left of these in the aerial photograph with this article may be seen the area of the service battalion assigned to the AMAN and beyond this are the roads which lead to the ranges and the maneuver area.

Returning now to the main building complex and this time following the road which leads to the left in the photograph the visitor finds on his right the facilities of the Subsection of Equitation, including a polo field, and on his left successively a drill and sports practise field, the Section of Physical Education, and a group of three swimming pools. Further out this same road is a housing area with quarters for junior officers and for noncommissioned officers. Adjoining the Section of Physical Education and

identified by the dark cinders of its running track is the General Mark Clark Stadium, named for the United States officer under whose command the Brazilian Expeditionary Force fought in Italy in World War II.

The present-day uniform of the cadets was prescribed in 1931 and is completely different from that of any other unit of the Army. It has, however, a firm basis in history and is modeled after the uniform of officers of the Brazilian Empire in 1852. Its most distinctive mark is the sword, a miniature of that worn by the Academy's most distinguished graduate, the Duke of Caxias, of whom more will be said later. The sword is bestowed upon the cadets of the basic course on May 24, and is received by them "as a very special symbol of military honor".

The roster of graduates of the Academia Militar includes the names of many distinguished officers, some of whom have made great contributions to the progress of Brazil in fields other than military. Though the republican form of government dates only from 1889 two graduates, Floriano Peixotto and Eurico Gaspar Dutras, have served as President of Brazil. Marshal Candido da Silva Rondon was the organizer of the Indian Protective Service—his name, incidentally, has been given to the maneuver area at the foot of the Agulhas Negras. But the most revered, the most respected, the best remembered of the graduates is Liuz Alves de Lima e Silva, who became the Duque de Caxias and the Patron of the Brazilian Army.

Born in 1805 into a family of many generations of military men, Luiz Alves de Lima was graduated from the Academia Militar in 1821. In the following year Brazil became independent of Portugal. The new Emperor organized the famous Emperor's Battalion of hand-picked officers and men, and the young lieutenant was one of those chosen.

On June 3, 1823, the battalion being engaged in combat against a Portuguese general who would not recognize Brazil's independence, Lieutenant Alves de Lima displayed such outstanding qualities of initiative, leadership, and bravery that he received the highest military decoration of that time.

After service in two local wars in the south of Brazil Lieutenant Colonel Alves de Lima witnessed the spread of a revolutionary movement throughout the country, with its hotbed in the state of Maranhão. In command of the government's troops in that region the young officer, after a bloody struggle and much suffering, pacified the area

and brought it under control early in 1841. Twice again he was called upon to put down uprisings in other states and finally the nation found itself unified and at peace.

After serving as Minister of War this officer, now Marquis of Caxias, was named to organize the new cabinet on March 3, 1861. As President of the Council of Ministers he three times preserved the honor and the safety of Brazil against tyrants of the countries to the south.

At the beginning of the War with Paraguay Caxias' party was out of power, and General Osorio was placed in command of the Army. Caxias drew up a war plan, which was not accepted by the Prime Minister, yet the Paraguayan Army invaded Brazil at exactly the point predicted by Caxias. After a year of fruitless fighting Caxias was placed in command of an army without organization, without discipline, without spirit. By intensive personal effort and with superb leadership he rebuilt the army, which went on to cover itself with glory and to win complete victory.

Tired and ill, Caxias returned by ship to Rio. He landed on February 15, 1869, the greatest Brazilian general, one of the country's most illustrious citizens, hero of many battles, pacifier of four great areas of the country in time of revolution, commander of an army which had conquered all its enemies, former Minister of War and twice President of the Council of Ministers—and no one on the pier to greet him but his beloved wife! As if this show of a nation's ingratitude were not enough his wife, the light of his life, died shortly thereafter. Yet the great soldier still had the courage and the strength and the will to serve his country again as Minister of War and as Prime Minister. His services to the fatherland were finally recognized and he was raised to the highest grade of the nobility, becoming Duque de Caxias.

On the morning of May 8, 1880, he felt ill and believed himself about to die. Serene in everything, he took leave of his friends and all about him, and shortly thereafter he died, a great man, a noble Brazilian, and one of the greatest leaders of men in military history. And every year on the 24th of May, when the cadets of the basic course are receiving in solemn ceremony the miniature of his sword, the sword of valor, of patriotism, and of honor, his presence can be felt as the recollection of his military virtues inspires each student to accept this sword and to hold it always as "O PROPRIO SIMBOLO DA HONRA MILITAR".

Needed: A West Point Education Foundation

EVERY graduate of West Point is deeply concerned about providing a college education for his children. He is also vitally interested in seeing that the children of deceased classmates and fellow graduates have an opportunity for higher education.

This dual challenge has been met head-on by three recent classes of graduates, who have joined in founding a charitable educational trust. They have formed a voluntary non-profit organization to raise and distribute funds for the college education of children of deceased graduates or ex-cadets who have been members of the organization.

The trust has been named The Education Foundation of the Graduates of the United States Military Academy. The Classes of 1953, 1954 and 1960 have given their graduates and ex-cadets the opportunity to join the foundation. The officers of all classes graduated since 1950 have been or are being contacted with regard to making the foundation available to their classes.

The education foundation was originally conceived as a project of the Class of 1954. After a small percentage of the class joined the organization, those who joined decided to seek wider participation by making the trust available to all classes graduated since 1950.

Aggressive action is currently being taken to interest additional recent classes in membership. It is further planned that membership be proposed to each graduating class.

The purpose of the foundation is to insure the higher education of all children of deceased members. The assistance would be provided by the award of scholarships that are expected to be substantial in size.

Solving the Fund-Collecting Problem

To raise funds for any organization is a colossal problem. It poses a great obstacle in the collection and administration of the funds, particularly if monthly or quarterly payments are required. To solve these problems—or, at least, to alleviate them considerably—the education foundation employs life insurance as its way of collecting funds and eliminating administrative red-tape.

Each graduate or ex-cadet who joins this charitable, non-profit, non-taxable

organization does so by assigning \$2,000 of ordinary life insurance to The Education Foundation of the Graduates of U.S.M.A.

The foundation is governed by a board of trustees who must be members of the foundation. They have full administrative and investment powers, with the aid of counsel. (Six of the nine members of the original board have been appointed; the remaining three trustees and all successors will be elected by the membership.)

Dividends, death payments, and cash values of the insurance policies of all members become the property of the foundation. The trustees will, with proper counsel, invest the dividends and death payments. The assets of the foundation, then, consist of policy cash values and invested securities—comprising, in itself, a balanced portfolio of risk-free cash values and invested funds. If necessary, the trustees may also borrow on the cash values of the policies in force.

It will be the responsibility of the trustees to award grants, or scholarships, from the fund for education of children of members already deceased. To exercise this responsibility, the board of trustees plans to keep in touch with families of deceased members and measure their awards based on (1) the extent of potential demand on the fund existing when the process begins, (2) the age of the child to be educated at the time of his (or her) father's joining the foundation, and (3) the individual child's need.

The provision for "need" must be included in the trust agreement to qualify the foundation as a charitable, non-profit trust and thus one that could obtain a favorable tax ruling from the Internal Revenue Service. But generally this will not limit the liberality of the trustees in granting awards within the financial ability of the foundation.

For this same reason, neither a member nor his family can receive any awards from the foundation if he lives to see his children through college.

Why Join the Foundation

The graduates who have joined the foundation are primarily interested in insuring the education of their children if they are not living to provide it themselves. They see this as a real financial saving because membership

obviates the necessity of carrying substantial personal life insurance or savings for the same purpose.

In addition, it is expected that the Foundation will have sufficient funds to make, after some years, gifts to the Association of Graduates. These could possibly be made in the name of a particular class of graduates, after that class no longer had the need of providing for the higher education of its children.

The larger the membership in the foundation, it appears, the greater will be the degree of protection. Hopefully, a large organization with membership spread over all recent classes would greatly minimize the risks involved. The major risks, of course, are in the untimely death of a large number of members who have their full share of children, or more. However, as the foundation grows, there should be little doubt that substantial funds will be available for educating the children of the deceased.

But as long as these risks do exist, and as long as it is impossible to predict the appreciation and earning rates of the funds that will be invested, it is impossible to specify a certain sum that would be available for each child's scholarship. Conservative statistical studies indicate that the awards would range from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per child, regardless of the number of children that any deceased member may have.

The trustees, necessarily, must be the sole seat of decision on the amount of money awarded to each child. Naturally they will consider special situations carefully—such as desires and qualifications for graduate study, extra expenses for specialized training, etc. They will be guided by the aims of the foundation and by established precedents for educational fiduciaries, and they will seek the advice of professional counsel.

How the Education Foundation Was Born

When the Class of 1954 first investigated the possibility of setting up an educational trust, the thinking centered on a fund which solicited voluntary contributions for the limited objective of assisting the few needy situations that could arise among their classmates. However, after pushing a few figures around, it became apparent that a class-wide group investment

program could provide educational insurance for the families of all living members at a relatively inexpensive cost.

What looked so good financially, however, broke down administratively when subjected to careful investigation. The project was discussed in detail with a leading mutual fund, with the trust departments of four New York City banks, with the First National Bank of Highland Falls, and with the Association of Graduates. In each instance, these organizations, and the '54 Class President, William R. Schulz, concluded that the collection problem defeated a workable plan.

It was made eminently clear that no single large voluntary group, such as one or more West Point classes with members spread all over the world, could equip itself to handle the complicated monthly procedures involved

in billing and collecting donations. This simple fact of life completely defeated all ideas that were had about the possibility of raising funds and investing them in a trust or mutual fund.

The investigation then turned to insurance as a vehicle for systematically collecting the funds for the educational trust, and the class contacted several major life insurance companies. Because only small (\$2,000) individual policies would be involved, only one company, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co., was willing to handle the plan, and this mainly as a service to West Point graduates.

The '54 Class President, Bill Schulz, reported that the program is administratively workable because an insurance company is equipped and accustomed to such a collection operation. He learned from Harvard Business

School finance professors, who are also professional financial consultants, that such an insurance-based program is administratively feasible.

The program represents, for each individual who joins, an investment of about \$3.00 to \$3.50 per month, and may be paid as an insurance allotment. This also points up one of the special advantages of the insurance approach in simplifying the collection procedures and reducing the administrative costs.

The foundation is just really getting underway and is seeking new members. Requests for information should be directed to the Education Foundation of the Graduates of the U.S.M.A., West Point, N. Y.

The trustees of the foundation are: John E. Johnson, Class of 1953, William L. Hauser, 1954, William N. Haskell, 1954, Richard J. LeCroy, 1954, James G. Plunkett, 1954, James D. Ruppert, 1960.

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WEST POINT'S NEEDS

West Point, first of the nation's engineering schools and long the cradle of our military tradition, has asked this session of Congress for three modest but important pieces of legislation.

One, amazing in its simplicity, would simply put the Military Academy on the same basis as the Naval Academy. In theory, West Point is now authorized 2,512 American students plus a few foreign students. The facilities—dormitories, classrooms, instructors, etc.—are geared to this student load. In practice, the academy has always operated—wastefully—200 to 300 students below its designated strength. The legislation requested would simply permit West Point authorities to estimate appoint-

ment vacancies at the end of the academic year instead of its start, and would keep the "long gray line" at full strength.

The second law requested would permit it a modest increase in pay for permanent professors. Professors at West Point are specially trained Army officers who have forgone promotion to general officer rank in the interest of permanent tenure. Only one of them—the Dean of the Academic Board—is a brigadier general. None of the rest can rise above the rank of colonel and under present conditions could serve for sixteen years as a full professor with no increase in pay. The increases should be supported.

The third major need at West Point is for a new library. The present library is housed in a building which was erected in 1838-41 as an observatory, and altered for present purposes in 1901. It contains about 180,000 volumes—some of them irreplaceable military manuscripts and rare books—in totally inadequate conditions. Its seating facilities of 200 in no way meet cadet needs. The academy would like to replace this structure, on the same site, with a library having a capacity for 350,000 volumes, and a seating capacity for 814 cadets. This request speaks for itself.

West Point is a part of the nation's heritage. Congress should support every reasonable request to enable it to maintain the high standards of the past.

West Point Founder Honored On Anniversary Of Military Academy's Establishment



Grave of Jonathan Williams in Philadelphia.

A ceremony commemorating the 159th Anniversary of the establishment of the U. S. Military Academy was held at the grave of the Academy's first superintendent at Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, on Thursday, March 16th.

Members of the West Point Society of Philadelphia, the Common Pleas Court, the Society of 1812 and the American Philosophic Society laid a wreath on the grave of Colonel Jonathan Williams, who served as Academy superintendent for eight years between 1802 and 1812.

Colonel Williams, who was a grand-nephew and secretary of Benjamin Franklin, served as judge of the Common Pleas Court of Philadelphia and Vice President of the American Philosophic Society before entering the

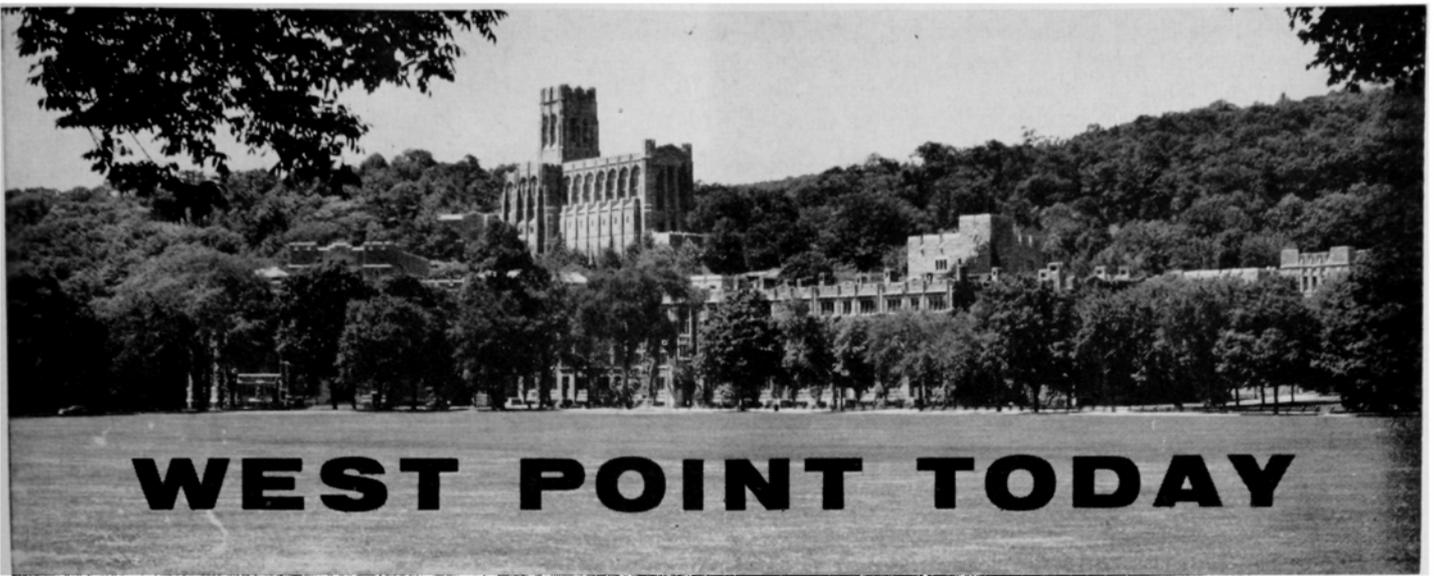


West Point Society of Philadelphia honors Williams.

Army in 1801. On March 16, 1802, Congress established the Military Academy and named Colonel Williams as first superintendent. He opened West Point on July 4th of that year with a class of ten students.

While superintendent, he also served as Chief of the Army Corps of Engineers. Because of his application of the principles of scientific engineering to military construction, he is often called "the Father of the Army Corps of Engineers." He died in May 1815 and his gravesite was lost until 1952, when Major Sam Edelman (USA Ret.), a member of the West Point Society, discovered it at Laurel Hill Cemetery. In 1959, the Department of the Army erected a historic marker at the grave.

ASSEMBLY



Col. Robert B. Arnold

Colonel Arnold Retires

Colonel Robert Bly Arnold, Assistant to the Dean of the Academic Board, retired from the United States Army on 31 January 1961 after 20 years of active, commissioned service.

At a ceremony held in his office, Major General William C. Westmoreland, Superintendent, presented Colonel Arnold with the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Army Commendation Medal. The Medal previously had been awarded to Colonel Arnold for his services in connection with the atomic physics course planning and instruction at the Academy during the period 1943-1946.

Most of Colonel Arnold's military service had been at West Point, beginning with his assignment in December 1942 as an instructor in Physics. He was promoted in 1947 to Assistant Professor and three years later to Associate Professor, assuming additional duties as Executive Officer in

the Department of Physics and Chemistry at that time. He became Assistant to the Dean in 1960.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Colonel Arnold attended public schools in Cleveland, Ohio, prior to entering Case Institute of Technology there in 1926. He was graduated in 1930 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Astronomy.

In September 1931, he accepted a position as Illuminating Engineer with the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, becoming its specialist in classroom lighting installations. He remained with this company until shortly before World War II when he entered active Army service as a second lieutenant with the 107th Cavalry of the Ohio National Guard. He completed the Basic and Advanced Courses at the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas, and served with the staff and faculty there prior to coming to West Point in 1942.

Well-known in American science circles, Colonel Arnold is a member of the American Institute of Physics, the American Association of Physics Teachers, the American Society for

Engineering Education, the Optical Society of America (Southwestern Connecticut Section,) and the American Physical Society (New York State Section.) He is a member also of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity and the Winter Harbor Yacht Club.

Colonel Arnold is married to the former Malinda Eleanor Smith of Nyack, New York.

New Laboratory Equipment

In the never-ending process of keeping up with the latest developments in modern technology the Department of Ordnance has recently added an electron microscope to its extensive laboratory facilities. It is to be used for cadet laboratory work in the Science of Materials elective course, for advanced cadet individual research projects, and by other academic departments whenever they have a need for it.

In addition to being able to produce magnifications great enough to allow the study of structural details as small as 10 to 50 atom diameters, the electron microscope can perform non-destructive qualitative analysis. As the



Left to right: Brig. Gen. W. W. Bessell, Maj. Gen. William C. Westmoreland, Col. Arnold and Col. E. C. Gillette at retirement ceremony for Col. Robert Arnold.

electrons pass through a crystalline specimen they are diffracted, or reflected, from the planes of atoms in the specimen. The pattern produced by this diffraction is a set of concentric circles, from which size the identity of the compound or element causing the diffraction can be established. This is particularly helpful in the study of corrosion, precipitation from the solid state, and other problems related to structure.

Almost every field of technology can today progress only as rapidly as the development of new materials to meet ever-increasing performance requirements. Use of the electron microscope by interested cadets will increase their understanding of the structure factors upon which material properties are based, and will also acquaint them with the potentialities and fields of profitable application of this new research tool.

1961 Anniversary Cadet Chapel Engagement Calendar

A limited number of the beautiful plastichrome photographs (7½" x 10½") of the Anniversary Cadet Chapel Engagement Calendars are available throughout the year at \$1.25 postage prepaid. Checks or money orders payable to The Chaplain's Fund, c/o Dr. Theodore C. Speers, Chaplain, USMA, Box 65, West Point, New York.

BOOKS

The Story of the War of 1812

by Col. Red Reeder

Duell, Sloan, Pearce—1960.

Reviewed by ROBERT M. LITTLEJOHN
Major Gen. U. S. Army-Retired.

From my observations of over seventy years I am of the firm opinion that the average American is not well versed in American history and particularly so in American military history.

Our history books range from very good to mediocre and not infrequently are biased.

Now here comes one like a breath of fresh air in the spring—"The Story of the War of 1812" by Col. Red Reeder.

This book is factual, fascinating and very educational. It is recommended to both young and old. It should be in every American library, large or small.

Indians, Infants and Infantry

by Merrill J. Mattes

Denver: The Old West Publishing

Co. 1960. 273 pages; bibliography; index; \$5.95

Reviewed by N. B. WILSON, '31,
Editor of ASSEMBLY

Several years ago it was my privilege to develop an acquaintance with Brigadier General Reynolds J. Burt, USMA '96. The younger son of an Army family, he had spent much of his boyhood in forts out West which have long been forgotten. He heard tales of, and met, many legendary characters of the '70s and '80s. When I heard that the journal, kept by his mother during forty years in "the old Army," was about to be published, I eagerly sought a copy. I am disappointed in it.

"Indians, Infants and Infantry" is the story of Andrew and Elizabeth Burt on the Frontier during the last days of the Indian Wars. It is the story of an Army family moving by wagon, horseback, and train through Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, and Montana from one tiny stockade "Fort" to another, meeting Indians, commanding Infantry, and raising Infants.

This book should be required reading for all prospective brides prior to June Week. Nowadays, housing is hard to find, young husbands are away for weeks at a time, babies are sick, and young wives get discouraged. Ninety-five years ago, Elizabeth Burt and her two-year-old son joined the troop train going west. She wrote in her journal, "Here travelling with the 18th U. S. Infantry, began my real army life. My husband never changed permanent station thereafter that I and the children did not go along." Their first PCS was from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Fort Bridge, Wyoming, requiring just under two months to traverse the Overland Trail. All of the household goods and clothing, tents, trunks, and camping equipment of the Burts and two other officers were carried on one wagon. Mrs. Burt and the baby, to-

gether with her sister, the driver, a cook, and the family dog rode in the ambulance. Before they left Fort Leavenworth the Burts invested in a cow, a rooster, and twelve chickens. They took the livestock with them on many subsequent moves and considered themselves fortunate.

"Indians, Infants and Infantry" could have been an absorbing story. As it is, it would compare favorably with a cadet monograph worth about 16.5. The style is heavy, there are no maps except the inside cover, and the pictures could be improved. It is regrettable that Mr. Mattes, a recognized but parochial historian did not include West Point in his research. Both the Library and the Association of Graduates have many pictures and documents that would have helped the book. Another book, "Indian-Fighting Army" (Downey, New York, 1941, Charles Scribner's Sons), covers the same period and much of the same territory in a much more readable style.

Having lived, walked, ridden, and driven in much of the territory discussed in this book, I was eager to read it. I read the chapter on the Big Horn and Yellowstone Expedition, 1876, while flying at 30,000 feet, with the temperature at -95°F., over the vast expanse covered by that expedition. Uninteresting and desolate as that country is to many people, it was more interesting than the book. The hardships and suffering of the men on that campaign are not impressed on the reader.

Despite its lack of literary merit, I suggest that every young officer, and particularly his wife, should have a copy of this book. When an officer joined the old Army so did his family, and they loved it. Today's minor discomforts would seem like luxuries to the infantryman serving on the Frontier during the thirty years after the Civil War.



West Point, N. Y.—Sgt. Marty Maher, one of West Point's most legendary enlisted men, was buried here January 23rd with full military honors. He was buried next to the grave of his wife, Mary, who died thirteen years ago. The 84-year-old sergeant, subject of the film, "The Long Grey Line," succumbed to a stroke January 17, 1961. A Requiem Mass, held in the Holy Trinity Catholic Chapel, was celebrated by the Rev. Robert F. McCormick, Asst. Rector.

MARTY MAHER DIES



Sgt. Martin Maher, who listed among his intimate friends a large segment of West Point graduates, died at the U. S. Army Hospital on 17 January 1961. He was 84 years old.

Familiarly known as "Marty" by cadets and generals alike, he served at the Military Academy as soldier and civilian for a span of more than fifty years.

He listed among his personal acquaintances such illustrious West Pointers as President Eisenhower, and Generals Douglas MacArthur and Omar Bradley, to name a few.

A scrappy, witty, white-haired Irish immigrant who progressed up the ladder from private to technical sergeant at the time of his retirement, he became a legendary figure in military circles especially among graduates of the Military Academy. Hospitalized since 1958 with a circulatory problem, "Marty" had first one and then the other leg amputated in the fall of that year. He has resided in the U. S. Army Hospital at West Point since.

A book was written about his life called "Bringing Up the Brass" and later a movie "The Long Grey Line" based on his life's story was produced by Columbia Pictures.

"With his jaunty manner, Irish personality and old soldier wit, Marty Maher kept smiles on the faces and fires in the hearts of Cadets throughout his long service to the Military Academy," stated Major General Westmoreland, present Superintendent. "Marty has been part of the West Point scene from the moment he first set foot on the Post as a brash Irish immigrant in 1896. His personality pervaded most aspects of cadet life. Because of his inner warmth, and his personal interest in each cadet, the Corps developed a great affection for Marty. Wherever they may be around the world, West

Pointers will join all of us here in mourning the passing of our colorful, loyal, and good friend."

President Eisenhower, whose friendship with Sergeant Maher began during the President's days as a cadet, recently said of Marty's more than 60 years of service to the Military Academy: "He is a solid connecting link between the Corps Past and the Corps Present, as well as a major prophet of the Corps Future."

It is believed Maher's greatness lay in an ability, with his tales and anecdotes, to make many generations of cadets, officers, and enlisted men smile and laugh. He rose to the rank of Technical Sergeant, having served as a waiter in the Cadet Mess, a swimming instructor, and a gym custodian.

Marty Maher, who was "the most uninhibited sergeant the Old Army ever knew," according to former Army football coach Earl "Red" Blaik, was born in Ballyrine, Ireland, June 25, 1876. He arrived in New York City twenty years later, saying, "It was better that I leave after I was busting one of the big landlords of the county for insulting me."

Through urgings by a brother already employed at the Academy, Marty came to West Point and was assigned to the Cadet Mess as a civilian waiter. After many broken dishes and subsequent encounters with Captain John J. Pershing, who Marty said was "a holy terror, yet born to command," the Irishman enlisted in the Army on September 19, 1898.

Maher's Army adventures enabled him to know intimately such personalities as Dwight D. Eisenhower, Douglas A. MacArthur, Matthew B. Ridgeway, George S. Patton, Henry H. Arnold, and Albert C. Wedemeyer. These, along with many others, maintained their friendship with him over the years. President Eisenhower in his foreword to "Bringing Up The Brass" said of Maher: "Marty became my particular friend in June 1912 when he spent many hours working over a knee I had injured playing football. I cannot put too high an estimate on the help he gave my morale."

Maher's own descriptions of former cadets who became famous generals have assumed almost legendary stature. "Al Wedemeyer got to be a big bug with three

stars, but in 1917 he was just a Nebraska farm boy with no meat on him," he said. "And, well . . . that Georgie Patton . . . he was no book worker like Douglas MacArthur, but that dashing devil was more interested in sports, yet used to write poetry and spout Kipling by the yard. I remember they used to call Mark Clark 'contraband' because he was so good at smuggling eats into the barracks," Maher said.

An honorary member of West Point classes 1912, 1926, and 1928, Maher always insisted he was more interested in cadets than in generals. "For over fifty years my number one interest has been cadets . . . let the stars fall where they may," he said.

Although Marty retired from the Army as a Technical Sergeant on November 14, 1928, he remained custodian in the West Point gymnasium, worked with the Army Athletic Association, and continued his swimming courses until May 23, 1946. At that time, an unprecedented full-dress review of the Corps of Cadets was held in his honor, and he received a gold watch from the Class of 1946.

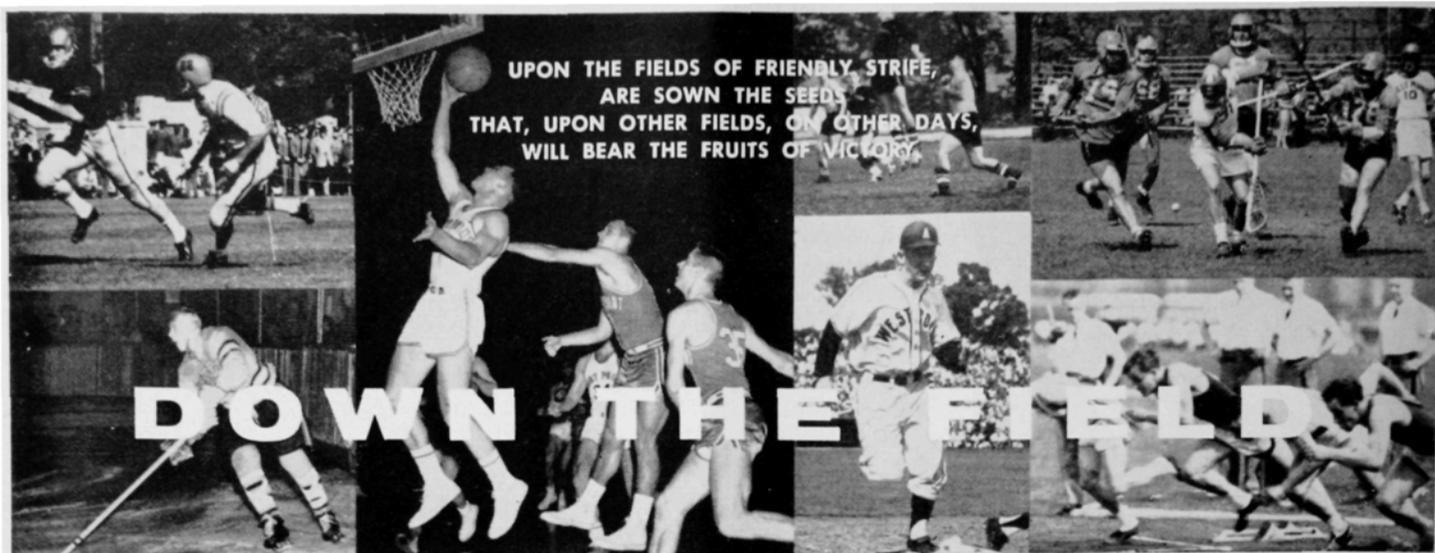
Accompanied by Lieut. General George Stratemeyer and (then) Academy Superintendent Maxwell D. Taylor, Maher remarked: "The first thing I knew I was standing up on the right of General Taylor and the Corps of Cadets were marching in front of us in their full-dress uniforms and my friends in the band were playing old Irish jigs and airs."

His wife, Mary (O'Donnell) Maher, whom he married at West Point January 5, 1911, was at his side during the ceremonies. She died February 6, 1948, and is buried in the West Point cemetery where, he once said, they both wanted to live after their deaths.

His life was portrayed by the late Tyrone Power in a 1955 film, "The Long Grey Line," which was based on Marty's autobiography, "Bringing Up The Brass."

Sergeant Maher had been in failing health for several years prior to his death during which time both his legs had been amputated.

He is survived by his niece, Mrs. Frank Matone of Haverstraw, New York, whom he and his wife reared, and by many nieces and nephews.



Success on the athletic front was spelled out in somewhat positive terms during the winter season. Represented in intercollegiate competition in nine sports, Army teams fared exceptionally well. The Cadets posted 78 victories against 35 defeats for an imposing .693 percentage.

Accentuating the progress of the sports program was the fact that winning seasons were recorded by all but the track and field squad which finished with a 3 and 3 mark. The only undefeated campaign was registered by the pistol team which outscored seven opponents and also added a decisive win in the NRA sectional championship.

Army-Navy competitions were held in eight sports with the teams dividing the honors down the middle. Army captured wrestling (15-14), track (59-50), pistol (1385-1366) and rifle (1488-1482). Navy prevailed in basketball

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(61-55), swimming (56-39), gymnastics (48½-47½) and squash (8-1).

In ice hockey, the only sport that does not collide head on with Navy in winter for the simple reason that the Middies do not compete, Army enjoyed another superlative season under the aegis of Coach Jack Riley. The skaters have their own version of the "service" rivalry with the Royal Military College of Canada.

This year the teams met at Smith Rink and Army seldom, if ever, demonstrated a wider margin of superiority (7-1) over the Canadian sextet. Army tallied three in the first and added three more in the second to simply outclass their counter-part from across-the-border.

The victory marked the fifth win in the last six starts with RMC, and ten of

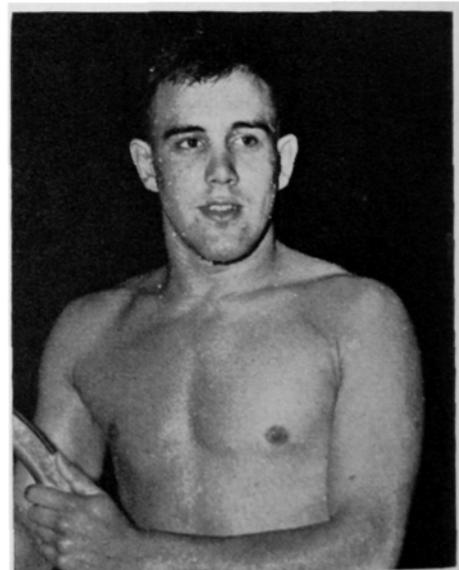
the last 14. Despite this recent domination of the series, the Cadets have still a long way to go to even the count. RMC has built up a comfortable cushion of 18 victories to Army's 11, with one tie being recorded in 1935.

It was a banner year indeed for the local skaters. The climactic victory over RMC enabled Riley's Ruffians to set new Academy records in six departments. The rewrite job on the record book includes: a) most victories in one season (17); b) most goals in one season (139); c) most points in one season (368); d) most goals scored by a sophomore, Jerry Stonehouse, (25); e) fewest goals allowed by a goalie, Ron Chisholm, (2.58 per game).

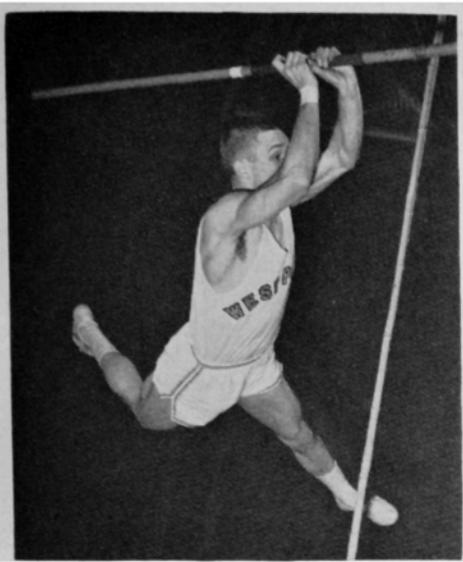
Captain Jack Dewar turned in a sparkling season in the finale of his college career. The 22 year old wingman from Dedham, Massachusetts, led the team in scoring with 56 points. He scored 21 goals and added 35 assists.



A REAL SURPRISE was the engraved plaque presented to Army squash coach Leif Nordlie by Academy Superintendent Maj. Gen. William C. Westmoreland on Feb. 2. Col. Emory S. Adams is at the right. The plaque was given by the squash team and other friends of Nordlie "For 15 years of devoted service to the squash teams of the United States Military Academy."



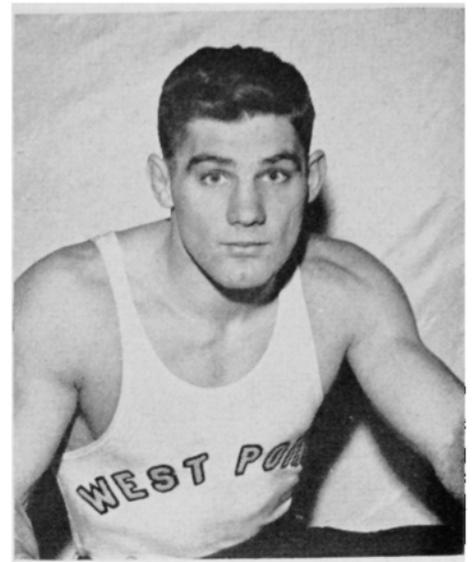
Cadet Chas. Sollohub, holder of 50 and 100 yd. Academy free-style records. Also member of 400 free-style relay team which set record vs. Navy.



Gary Brown set Academy record in pole vault with a leap of 14 feet 1½ inches vs. Navy (tied for 1st place). Best previous 13-3.



Cadet Jack Dewar



Cadet Al Rushatz

His assists total equals the Academy standard set by Ted Crowley.

Tournament Team

The Cadet cagers matched the hockey team in at least one phase. The court team compiled a substantial record of 17 and 6. This sets a new local mark for games won in one season. By virtue of their consistency, the Cadets accepted a bid to the National Invitational Tournament at Madison Square Garden. This was the first appearance for the Cadets in a post-season tournament. However, the idea of participating in invitation tournaments is not new to them. In the past five years Army has appeared in the Motor City at Detroit, the University of Richmond (Va.), the Blue Grass at Louisville and the Hurricane Classic at Miami. All of these were Christmas Holiday affairs. The NIT, of course, is a post-season

venture and selections are predicated on season records.

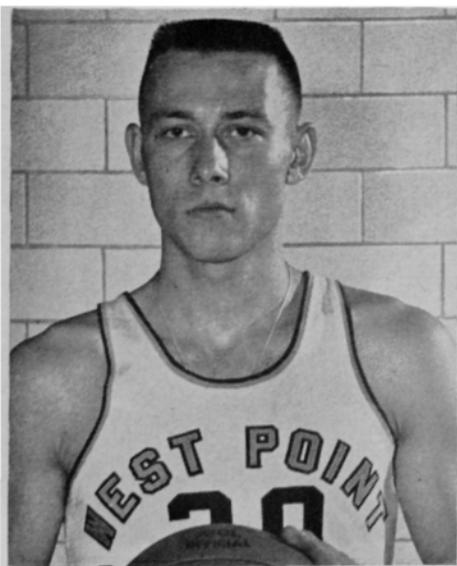
The loss to Navy was, to put it mildly, disheartening. The Middies under the tutelage of Coach Ben Carnevale appear to have Army's number in the round ball game. The Middies have won 12 of the last 15 since Carnevale joined the service rivalry.

This year the Middies leaned on a strong second half spurt to win. The Cadets were ahead by as many as nine points in the first half as they continually out-shot and out-rebounded the Sailors from the Severn. The roof caved in, so to speak, after the intermission as Army went more than seven minutes without a point, and more than eight minutes before they could counter with a field goal. Meanwhile the Navy wrapped up the game and now boasts a 21 to 17 advantage over the years.

The secret, if that is what it can

properly be called, for the success of the court squad this winter was the increase in height. Overall this was the tallest Army team in history. This factor, of course, is vital the way the game is played today. Nothing, or so it seems, can offset the big men when it comes to grabbing the rebounds. This Army team was effective in this department. A look at the height figures tells why. The big men included Bob Foley (6-7), Lee Anderson, Bob Strauss and Gordon Arbogast (6-6), Captain Lee Sager and Buz Rolfe (6-5).

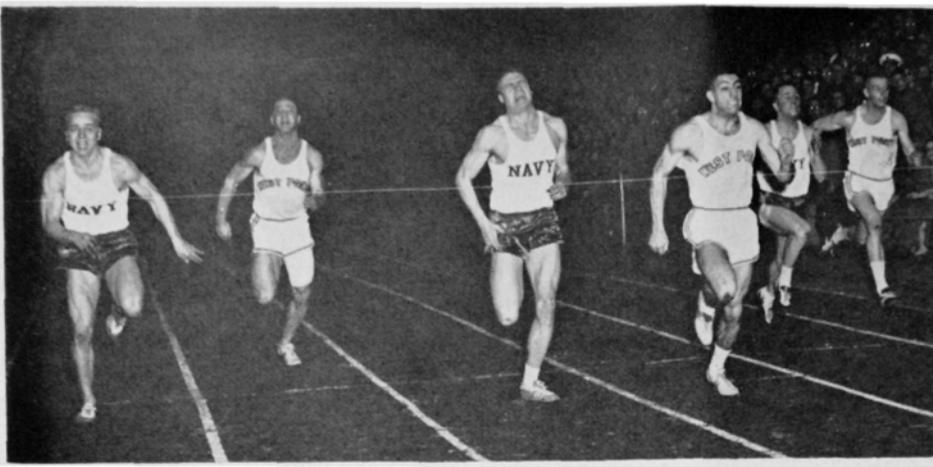
For scoring proclivity however the team had to rely for the sharp-shooting on the smallest man on the starting team, and one of the two smallest on the squad. Stu Sherard (5-10) turned in a splendid performance for Coach George Hunter averaging 16-plus per game. Sherard was particularly adept at the free throw line where he ranked



Cadet Sherard



Presentation of Player of the Year award by coach Tipton to Cadet Bob Kewley.



Army's Joe Almaguer Sprints Home First .

Cadet Wins 60-yard Dash Against Navy.

among the top ten in the nation throughout the season.

For all-around play, leadership and pure unadulterated hustle, Ron Hannon was recognized as an outstanding player. He is also First Captain and Brigade Commander.

As for the future, Coach Hunter has some good material upcoming from the Plebe squad which finished with an impressive 15 and 4 record. Chuck Richards (6-8) was the main cog and he is certain to be the tallest man ever to play varsity ball here. Another outstanding prospect is Charles Hutchinson (6-3). One of the most sought after high school players in the State of Pennsylvania, he was lured by some 32 schools.

Track Triumphs

Coach Carl Crowell's thinclads entered the indoor season with an impressive winning streak of 14 in a row. They proceeded to extend the streak to 15 with an opening day win over St. John's. From that point on the going got more difficult. The win over Navy enabled the Cadets to break even on the season at 3 and 3.

While the won and lost record was something less than sensational there were several brilliant individual efforts. Leading the list were two Academy record shattering stints. Gary Brown, pole vault, astounded everyone, including himself, when he soared 14 feet 1¼ inches to tie for first in the Navy meet. This was nearly two inches above the previous Cadet standard set by Warren Eisenhart in 1952. Brown's vault was more than ten inches over his best previous vault.

The vaulting duel between Brown and Navy's Ed Rector captivated the large Field House crowd in the service meet. However, this was only one of the brilliantly fought contests in the 13 event program. So closely contested was the meet that the teams shared

first places with six apiece with a tie developing, as mentioned above, in the pole vault. The meet was not decided until the last two events, the mile and two mile relays. Army surprised by taking both baton passing tests by decisive margins to lock up the meet.

Earlier in the season the Cadet mile relay foursome earned the plaudits of Eastern track and field pundits by wheeling off the fastest time in this section for the year. The quartet of Joe Almaguer, Fred McAniff, Jim McGinnis and Jerry Garwick was clocked in 3:16.9 in a winning effort against Penn State.

Army's only first place in the Heptagonal championships at Ithaca was registered by Almaguer in the 60 yard sprint. He dethroned teammate Ed Sprague, winner of the event last winter. Sprague had been hobbled with a pulled leg muscle throughout a major portion of the indoor season.

The defending team champion and five time victor in this annual joust with the eight Ivy League schools and Navy, Army was relegated to a relatively poor third in the team standings

behind Yale who amassed a new team point record of 59. Navy was second, some 13 points ahead of Army.

Sollohub Shines

Seldom has an Army team performed better and received less return than the natators did against Navy this year. Coach Jack Ryan's aquatic team shattered the Academy record in six of the ten events.

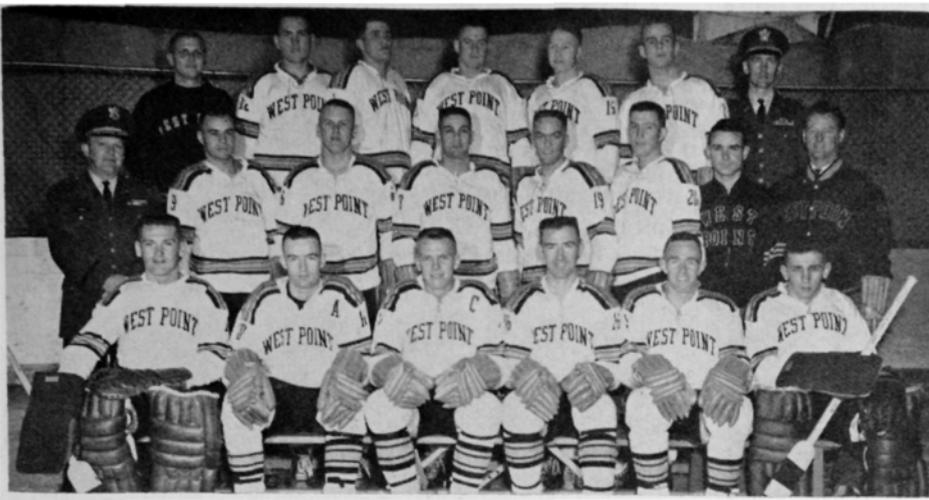
With such individual brilliance, it would seem that Army upset the Middies. However, Navy which snapped Yale's victory string that spanned 16 years and 201 meets, subdued the Cadets 56 to 39.

The most glaring example of how thoroughly the Middies outclassed the locals was in the case of Captain Chuck Sollohub, holder or co-holder of three Academy records. In the 50 yard free style, the first classman from St. Louis, Mo., splashed the fastest fifty in the history of the sport here and yet his 0:22.7 clocking was only good enough for a third behind two midshipmen. The middies both broke the pool record. In the century, it was not quite as bad, but Sollohub found himself in much the same predicament. He splashed the 100 in the new academy record time of 0:50.8. Yes, again it was the best time ever recorded by a Cadet, but Navy's sprinter was home first with a new pool record of 0:49.4.

Sollohub who has been more-or-less the story of the swim team in Coach Ryan's second season at the helm figured in another Academy record breaking effort in the 400 yard free-style relay against the formidable Middies. He swam the lead-off leg of the relay quartet which was clocked in 3:27.5. Navy, it develops, came home first in this one, too, but was disqualified.



Army mile relay team which set Academy record of 3:16.9 against Penn State from left to right: Joe Almaguer, Fred McAniff, Jim McGinnis, Jerry Garwick.



1960-1961 Hockey Team

left to right, **Bottom row:** Chisholm, R.; Carrol, T.; Capt. Dewar, J.; Cullen, J.; Campbell, D.; Shepard, J. **2nd row:** Col. Covell, (O.R.); Hingston, W.; Stonehouse, J.; Hipson, H.; Broshous, C.; Harkins, D.; Armstrong, C. (Mgr.); Coach Jack Riley. **3rd row:** Renolett, G. (Trainer); McMullen, J.; Dobbins, P.; Symes, A.; Battis, W.; Higgins, N.; Capt. R. Morrison (Ass't O.R.). Not present when picture was taken, M. Bilafer.

Sollohub was not the only "victim" of the Navy powerhouse. Steve Childers finished second in the 200 yard breast stroke, but was good enough to set a new Academy mark of 2:24.3. The 400 yard medley relay quartet of Spike Sanders, John Riceman, Ted Wildrick and Barry Thomas were also victimized, finishing second, and setting a new Academy standard of 3:56.4.

And so the story goes. Coach Ryan, a former all-America swimmer himself at Ohio State, turned in one of the finest coaching performances in the country, keyed his squad for the biggest re-write job of the record book in history, and yet had to stand by as his proteges fell in the wake of Navy's galaxy of great swimming talent.

Mat Strategy

In other contests with Navy, the results followed form. The one point win in wrestling was preserved by Dale Kuhns in the heavyweight division. Oddly enough, it was not a victory by the big football tackle that did the trick. Rather it was a magnanimous gesture to his teammates in which he wrestled a defensive match to avoid the possibility of getting pinned. A pin by the Navy entry would have swung the meet in the Middies favor. As it turned out, the Navy heavyweight out-pointed Kuhns, in a rather slow and uninteresting exhibition of grappling. More than a few in the crowd recognized Kuhns' tactics and came away with the idea that the Cadet strong man could defeat his man under less harrowing conditions.

Another outstanding feature of the wrestling season was the second successive undefeated season for Al Rushatz, the Army fullback. He has been

defeated only once in two years of college competition and that was a narrow margin in the post-season tournament. He is, of course, the defending Eastern Intercollegiate 177 pound champion.

Football Forecast

At the outset of spring practice Coach Dale Hall has enough problems to bring on a shock of prematurely grey hair.

However, in official family circles it is generally agreed that Army football has survived the rather turbulent and difficult transition period.

Both the team and the record are expected to improve beginning this fall. At least that is the consensus of opinion on the coaching staff.

Hall and his associates base their forecast on the availability of six regu-

lars from the 1960 squad plus the return of solid reserve strength at most every position. The list of starters includes John Ellerson and Bob Fuellhart, ends; Captain Mike Casp, guard; Dale Kuhns, tackle; George Kirschenbauer, halfback; and Al Rushatz, fullback.

Key replacements who figure prominently in Hall's rebuilding program are Dick Eckert, quarterback; Pete King, halfback; Bruce Heim, and Paul Zmuida, ends; Bill Whitehead, center; and Barry Butzer, guard.

Some capable new-comers are also moving up from the Plebe squad to fill out the ranks. Foremost among these are Ray Paske and Ken Waldrop, halfbacks; Chet Kempinski, end; Lee Grasfoeder, fullback; and Martin Ryan, center.

After two years of playing a major game almost every Saturday, the schedule for 1961 is not quite so rugged, although still challenging in most instances. Key games are slotted with Michigan, perennial Big Ten power; Penn State, a top ranking team in the East in 1960; Oklahoma, a regular in the nation's top ten, and Navy.

A change in the coaching staff occurred since last season. Tom Harp, offensive backfield coach, departed for Ithaca, N. Y., where he now heads up the Cornell University football staff. Harp was succeeded by Charles Klausning who joined the Academy staff after serving one year as freshman coach at Rutgers University. Klausning had an outstanding record in the Pennsylvania High School ranks. His teams won 83, lost 7 and tied 2. A Marine Lieutenant during the War, he played football at Slippery Rock College.



1960-1961 Basketball Team

Seated, left to right: Stu Sherard, Pete Gleichenhau, Lee Anderson, Lee Sager (Capt.), Bob Strauss, Harold Hannon, Al DeJardin. **Second row:** Coach George Hunter, Ass't Coach Tate Lock, Bob Loupe, Larry Crane, Dick Wilson, Mac Compton (Mgr.), Col. G. A. Rebh, O.R. **Third row:** Gordon Arbogast, Bob Foley, Buzz Rolfe.

N. Y. Yankees at West Point



"Now this is where you hit the ball."

On 14 April, after an absence of 17 years, the New York Yankees returned to West Point. It was a cold, windy day and so was the Army team. The Yankees had to do something to keep warm so they got hits. Score: Yankees 14, Army 0.



Coach Tipton explains the ground rules while Manager Houk listens with tongue in cheek.



The Old Army Try.

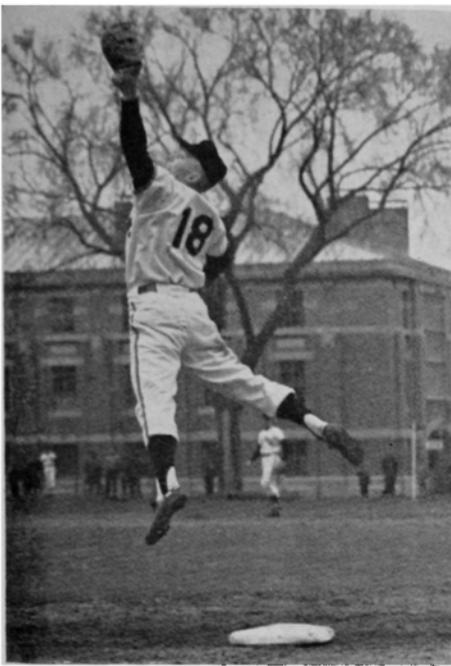


The Little League got expert advice.



One of the 14.

14 April 1961



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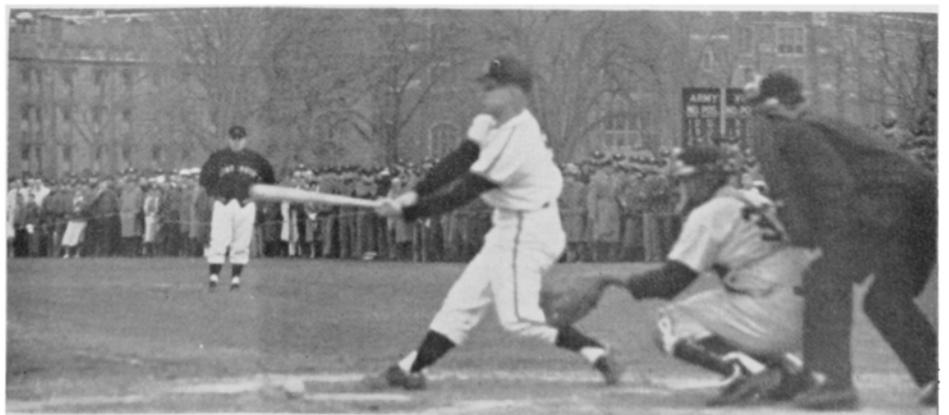
Army dug out.



The Fans



The Big Gun gets small arms instruction.

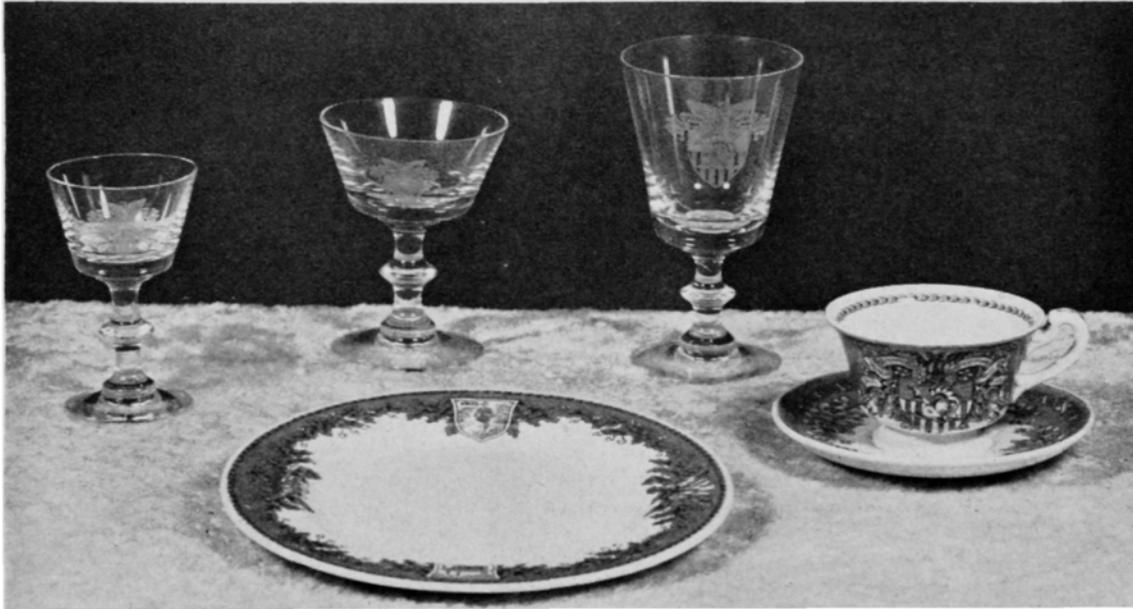


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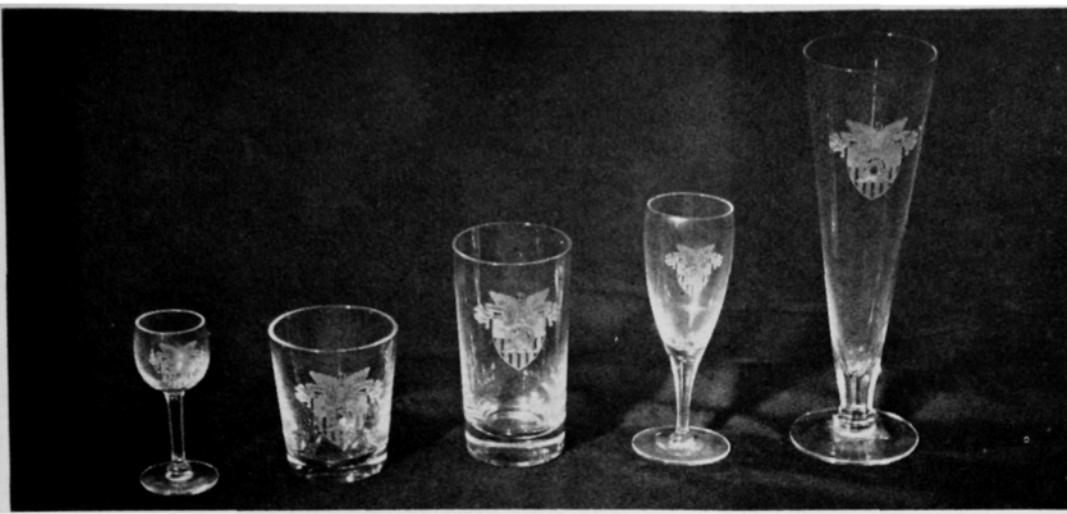
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Bread and butter

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\$10.00 ½ doz.





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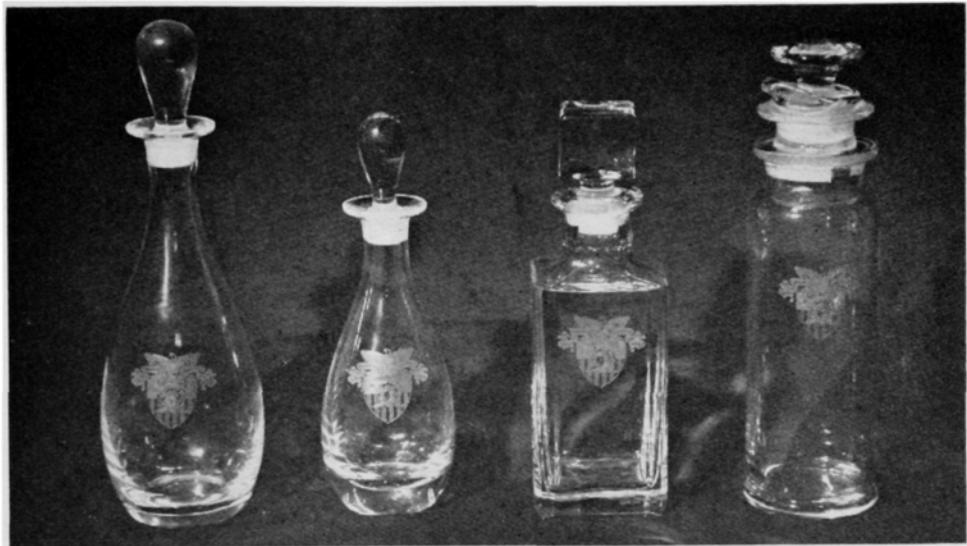
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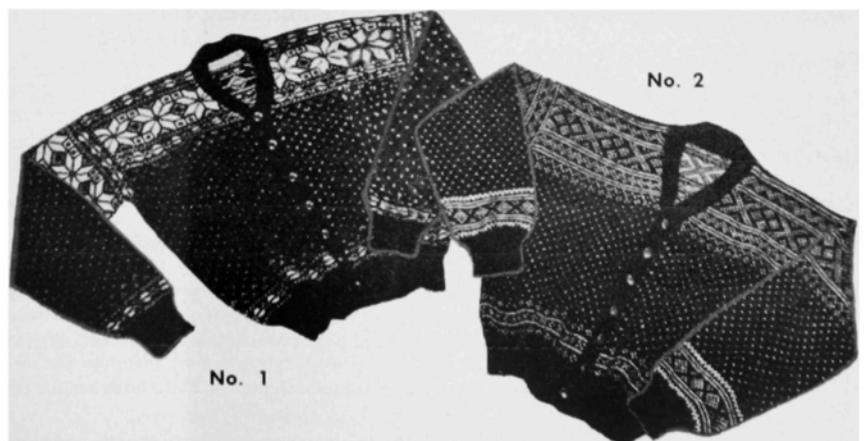
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1891

"Following the Guidon," the title of Mrs. Custer's story of her army life, could be applied with equal propriety to the career of Mrs. Augusta Grimes Fleming, widow of Colonel Robert J. Fleming of the Class of 1891. Born at Fort Riley, Kansas, she was the daughter of Captain (later Brig. Gen.) George S. Grimes, and she spent her early years under the flaming symbol of the Field Artillery; but upon her marriage to Fleming she found her prime loyalty under the golden yellow of the Cavalry.

As cadets we had labelled Fleming "Duke," and upon his marriage his bride was promptly dubbed "Duchess," and that remained the affectionate name by which she was known throughout her life. Her gracious charm endeared her to all who knew her, and one would look in vain for a more loyal and enthusiastic member of the "Distaff Division" of the Army and of the Class of 1891 than was our "Duchess." Following the death of Fleming some years ago, she maintained the home on Porter Street, where her friends who came to call were received with a warm welcome and gracious hospitality, but of recent years her failing health had restricted her activities. It was in this Washington home, in the night of February 4-5, 1961, that this gentle woman passed quietly, in her sleep, to her eternal rest. Her gracious charm will long be a treasured memory to her friends and to the members of her family who survive her.

—Lewis S. Sorley, USMA, 1891
3133 Connecticut Ave., N. W.,
Washington 8, D. C.

1902

In the midst of our worst snow storm in many years, the mail carrier delivered an Air Mail letter from Pegram who is basking in the Mediterranean sun. He is in Palma de Mallorca to be exact. The coldest weather he has noted since he has been there was 46 F. Spring has arrived and he is planning to sail on March 15th from Barcelona to Trieste, Italy, for a leisurely tour of Italy and possibly Greece. He mentioned Mrs. Bill Cowles being in Mallorca but apparently had not yet seen her.

A note from Frankenberger contained no particular news. He no longer drives a car but is still able to get out and enjoy the beautiful San Diego weather.

SPRING 1961

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.

Longley has had a siege with doctors and hospitals the last year or so but, as he puts it, he insists on "bouncing back." He is now at his winter home in Miami until time to return to Cape Cod for the summer. Amerine has had to return to the hospital for further treatment. In spite of his illness, he has just finished a booklet entitled "Federal and Political

**You know where You are
and you know where we are
but we don't always know where you are
Please Keep Us Posted on Your Address**

Tyranny" which he hopes to have published.

The Griffiths are spending the first winter in several years in Kentucky. Although both are well, they will try not to make the same mistake next year.

—F. D. Griffith Jr.,
2544 Dell Road,
Louisville 5, Kentucky

1903

We have suffered another grievous loss in the death of Fred Smith. He died in the hospital at Fort Monroe, Virginia,

on January 17. He was one of the strongest and best characters in the class. He was buried in the National Cemetery at Arlington and classmates Lynn, Schley and Tyler accompanied him on his last trek to the cemetery. His son, General F. H. Smith USAF and his grandson Lieut. F. H. Smith both came back from Germany for the funeral. Smith's widow is at present making her home with General Smith. This leaves us with 30 living classmates. Julian Schley is writing the obituary of Fred for ASSEMBLY and classmates are urged to send him useful data.

Trophy Bendel sends word that everything is the same with him. I know he will not mind my saying that that does not mean that things are stationary with him. He has received many cards which he appreciates at 82 years of age.

The Browns, Jane and Levi, at Pass Christian, Miss., pine for visits by classmates and other friends.

George Cocheu is slowly recovering from operations on both eyes. On the 20th of last November George and his Emma celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary with a cocktail party at The Army and Navy Club. Max Tyler, Julian Schley and Clark Lynn and their wives were among the over two hundred and fifty guests.

Colley wrote that he attended the Rose Bowl football game on January 2. He was hospitalized for 2 weeks for a recurrence of phlebitis, but he is practically back to normal.

Puss Farnum writes from Augusta, Maine, saying it has been cold up there, but that he and Florence love it. Sturdy folks, eh! He wishes the class to be reminded that he is Class Treasurer and if any flowers are needed for the funerals of classmates (which God forbid!) contact him.

Grant has such a busy schedule of work and jobs of different kinds that you would not believe it if I published the list—so I won't.

The news of the various classes as presented in the REPORT section of ASSEMBLY is, for each class, the contribution of a member or members thereof. ASSEMBLY is glad to devote as much space to this news as practicable, but ASSEMBLY assumes no responsibility for its accuracy. Any reader who questions any detail of the news as presented by the contributor should communicate with the author of the news—not with the editor of the magazine. If the author's identity is not apparent from the signature at the end of the contribution for each class, the editor of the magazine will furnish the author's name on request.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE JUNE 10, 1961

Marion Howze writes that he has been digging out of the snow in New York. Those poor city slickers in the east deserve our pity.

Pat Lynch writes that two notable events have occurred in his family. His daughter, Gladys Mona has been married to Lieut. Richard Seeman, class of 1960 USMA and his youngest son has been detailed on the General Staff in Washington from commanding a regiment at Fort Sill.

Clark Lynn wrote a brief note. All seems well with him.

Benny Ristine wrote that he had a nice between-plane stop in Tampa with Abby (Ben Grey's widow.) She is going strong in St. Paul and is busy with "Ben and Abby Grey Foundation" to assist artists here and abroad through cultural exchanges. Ristine also had lunch with Marie Rose, Will's widow, who carries on in her large and beautiful house in Bradenton. Benny says the oranges and grapefruit in his yard are coming along fine.

Julian and Denise Schley went to the Canal Zone early this year by steamer to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Panama Canal Company. They spent ten days there and also touched at Port-au-Prince, Haiti. These directors and other big shots sure pick their time of year, don't they? Allan Pope, his daughter Polly and his brother and other relatives went down there in February on the same steamer on which the Schleys travelled, but not on the same trip. They were down there two weeks.

Turtle writes that his wife, Maida, was recently elected Regent of the Alamo Chapter of the D. A. R. They attend all good music affairs in San Antonio.

Jake Wuest writes from a brief stay in the hospital at Orlando, Florida. The Wuests and the Pat Lynchs meet often for cocktails and I bet the air is filled with reminiscences by those old "corks." Ellery Farmer was down there on a visit, also. Rodney keeps comfortably busy. Besides his duties with the University he is active in the Red Cross, Boy Scouts and his church. Recently at a Recognition Luncheon given for him by the Ingham County Chapter of the Red Cross he was presented a Certificate of Merit for five years as Chairman of the Disaster Preparedness Committee and other assignments. Growler Lyon (I think he should be called Doctor or Professor) enjoys college at The University of Oregon. He says the Emerald State (Oregon) now has Spring weather and flowers, and he commiserates with classmates living east of the Rockies.

Louis Dice bemoans the fact that he has nothing of great importance to send for these notes. Of course his classmates are interested in knowing that he is alive and thinking of them.

—Dorsey R. Rodney
East Lansing, Michigan

1904

Last spring Dillon had a rather severe operation from which, he says, his recovery has been very slow. In order to hasten his recovery, it was decided to move south to a warmer climate than Edgartown, Mass., affords. At last report the

plan was to move to Florida early in February, where their address was to be 570 12th Avenue, N. E., St. Petersburg, Florida.

Subject to approval of respective stockholders and banking authorities, the First National Bank in Highland Falls, N. Y., of which Fenton is president, will merge into the First National Bank of Poughkeepsie. The latter bank is an affiliate of Marine Midland Corporation and the merged institution will be the Marine Midland National Bank of the Hudson Valley. The board of directors of the Highland Falls bank will be an advisory board to the enlarged Marine Midland Bank with Fenton as board chairman.

Gregory died on 26 January, 1961, at Walter Reed General Hospital. Burial was at the Arlington National Cemetery. At present, Mrs. Gregory is with her sister, Miss Dorothy Green, at 613 Power St., Helena, Montana.

Moody died on 27 January, 1961, at Walter Reed. Burial was at West Point, N. Y. Mrs. Moody is remaining at 3416 Porter St., N. W., Washington 16, D. C.

Roberts, H. C., who was with us during our plebe year, died on 25 December, 1960, at Gulfport, Florida, where he had been making his home after his retirement from the Navy as a Senior Naval Architect.

As a relief from the above sad events, the Washington, D. C., classmates were happy to find Sweeney in attendance at their monthly luncheon on 2 February. He had come with Corbin, his brother-in-law. Most of us had not seen Sweeney for years and it was a real pleasure to see him again and to find him apparently in such good condition.

—William Bryden,
3555 Springland Lane, N. W.,
Washington 8, D. C.

1905

Mrs. T. T. Warren, 1005 N. E. 5th Avenue, Gainesville, Florida, reports that her mother, Mrs. Arthur C. Tipton died suddenly, September 13, 1960 in Gainesville, Florida. Last May she had an operation for the removal of a cataract which was completely successful and she was very happy that she could read and write again.

Mrs. Jarvis J. Bain, 4501 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., is very desirous of obtaining a copy of the 1905 HOWITZER. Please advise her if you have a copy of that HOWITZER for sale.

Class Letter Number Sixteen was mailed out in January to classmates and many encouraging responses have been received. Of 114 graduates, thirty-seven are still living; of that number six live in California, five in the District of Columbia, four in New York, three in Florida, two each in North Carolina, New Jersey and Maryland; one each from Massachusetts, Ohio, Alabama, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Mississippi and Arizona. The only classmate now living in the state from which he was appointed to West Point, is Colonel Thomas D. Osborne, who resides in Asheville, North Carolina.

Up to the present time twenty-eight sons of the Class of 1905 have graduated from the Military Academy and two

grandsons of the Class are now in the Corps.

Ralph Talbot reports the death, after a short illness, of Colonel Leonard S. Arnold, X-1905, in San Francisco, California, March 13, 1961. Funeral services were held in St. John's Episcopal Church, with interment in San Francisco National Cemetery, Presidio. He is survived by a daughter, Faye Wergin and his son Harry C. Arnold. Flowers were sent in the name of the Class of 1905 by Brig. Gen. Ralph Talbot.

—Norman F. Ramsey
R. D. 1—Box 211,
Dover, New Jersey

1906

Suddenly, after an unusually cold winter for Augusta, Spring came on Valentine's Day, with warm rains and sunshine. The camellias burst at once into full bloom and the crocuses, narcissus, daffodils and dandelions cover all the lawns. The robins are among them.

DeRussy Hoyle has a program ready for you when you arrive at the 55th. June 3 will open the party with registration; Sunday, chapel and Alumni reception and dinner; Monday, Alumni ceremonies and evening class dinner; Tuesday, Graduation parade; Wednesday graduation. Ladies may stay two in a room at Ladycliff Academy in Highland Falls at \$4.00 per day each. Send checks by April to Col. N. B. Wilson, Sec., USMA Ass'n of Graduates. Nuns will serve ladies breakfasts there. State with whom you desire to room. Men apply for rooms at Cullum with \$2.00 deposit. There will be no class bulletin. Watch for the official bulletin from West Point.

Talked with Jim Riley on the phone lately. He and Gene are proud of that record of fifteen grandchildren around their dining table last Thanksgiving as you noted in their Christmas bulletin. Daughter Nanie has six; Betty, four; son Jim, three; son, Bill two. What a grand party!

Mick Daley leads on great grandchildren. A new boy to Jack's son at Fort MacArthur, Calif., makes four boys and there are four girls for him to pass the cigars about at his Ft. Orange Club retreat at Albany, N. Y.

McKew Parr sends a card on Greenland, showing his new interest as Charlie Rockwell suggested, about the Norsemen getting here ahead of Columbus.

Joe King says all were in order at San Antonio and a new King grandchild was awaited. He enclosed a clipping with a wonderful account of the charity work of Harriet Smith, (E. D.'s wife,) who was awarded a scroll for her long and faithful service to retarded and crippled children. And she says her reward has been the smiles and health of those youngsters she has carried to their schools and homes; which service has incidentally cured Harriet of the crippling arthritis of years back. Her daughter Harriet, wife of Brigadier General William A. Harris, now in Germany. A fine record and the congratulations of all of us. And Marjorie Shute, still in hospital, is slowly recovering. Marjorie Jr., is home looking after Pluppy. The other daughters are located thus: Chases in Hawaii with son Martyn at University of Hawaii, and

daughter, Patty, in Punahou; the Spauldings at Fort Meade with sons Edward and Bill. Skinny DeArmond had a party with the surgeons a while ago but is smiling again. "Pot" and Ruth Lewis were at the dispensary with the Shutes but escaped safely.

We heard that Elsie Bartlett was in a nursing home in Winter Park, near Mildred Gillespie. Florence Ardery spent part of last summer in Heidelberg, Germany, with son Ted and wife with their five children. There were 3228 children in Patrick Henry Village on the edge of Heidelberg as indicated on the safety sign at the gate, number changed daily, when Elizabeth and I were there a couple of years ago. Florence is now in Denver at 2564 South Adam St.

Clara Lane tells me that Bill can no longer move about, suffering from arterial occlusion in brain and muscles. Our deepest sympathy for my old roommate and for his family. Connie Huntley in Carmel, Calif., has recovered from last summer's serious illness and is on the job again. Edith and Earl McFarland are keeping in touch with Tubby Loughrey who has similar illness to Bill Lane's, but he is about the house now.

George Morrow is fishing again and reports many big ones. Christine will not risk the trip to West Point but George expects to be there, never having missed a reunion yet.

It's only ninety days till June this March 1. Milk please, Mr. Ducrot. We'll be seeing you all pretty soon.

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

1907

Roger Alexander's Christmas card showed a delightful picture of logs burning in a fireplace, a kettle over the fire and Christmas greens above the mantel suggesting warmth and comfort which he thought more appropriate than snow scenes in view of the storms which he had heard we were having. We had more snow in the Hudson Valley this winter than the oldest inhabitant could remember. Roger wrote that the ocean was only two blocks from his hotel and the breezes off the water were quite cool and the roses continued to bloom outside his window. When he wrote the temperature had been low enough to make the citrus growers use their smudge pots to save the lemon crop but in the little patio outside his window the trees were full of lemons in all stages of development. In the Hudson River the ice was eighteen inches thick and ice breakers had to open a channel for convoys of oil barges and freighters to get from New York to Albany. What a contrast.

Ijai Potter wrote from Oakland that she and Waldo were both well and had enjoyed a brief visit from Waldo Jr. and his family enroute from Hawaii to their present station at Whitman Air Force Base.

We were greatly pleased with the birthday card from the ten gentlemen of West Point who live in Washington. To all of them we send our sincere thanks.

Mildred Yount wrote that after living in

Phoenix for fifteen years she had bought an apartment at the Westchester in Washington and expected to make her home there. Her address is 3900 Cathedral Avenue, Washington, D.C. Bart, Jr. is due to be in Washington for three years which will give Mildred an opportunity to see something of him and his family. Barton's American Institute of Foreign Trade is really going ahead but like other educational efforts all it needs is that million dollar endowment. Mildred came through here last summer but we missed seeing her. She reported that the two grandmothers were taking their grandsons on a New England heritage trail.

We were saddened to receive word that Audrey Morrison had passed away at the Westchester apartments in Washington where she had made her home for the past few years. She was buried beside Rick at West Point but unfortunately due to a rather severe snow storm on the day of the funeral and illness in our family, we were unable to attend. We will always remember Audrey as a gracious and charming hostess, always ready to greet members of the class coming back to West Point. We extend sincere sympathy to Eric and Albert.

Dick Park gave us details of his marriage which up to now had been extremely brief and we quote: "Maria and I were married in London on May fifth by the Registrar at Caxton Hall, the Westminster office set up for that purpose. The day after we were married I received word of the death of my daughter, Isabel. I immediately flew back to Washington and Maria returned to her home in Greece. After brief visits with my children I flew back to Athens where we lived for a short time in a little villa in Glyfada, close to the Athens airport. For five months we looked for a permanent place and finally found a comfortable apartment in a pleasant street that slopes gently to the Sea Boulevard, half a kilometer to the west. The summer months were uncomfortably hot and dusty but with October came marvelous sunny days and cool nights. I had met Maria for the first time three years ago on the Milan Express at Innsbruck. We became pen pals and when she was on an ICA training mission in Washington in 1958 and 1959 we became well acquainted and decided to get married. I went to London for a fifteen day period of residence where Maria joined me and we were married. She was a civil service employee of the Greek Ministry of Commerce and was private secretary to the Under Secretary. She is a graduate of the University of Athens and speaks five languages fluently. For many years she spent her annual leave in the Art Museums of London, Paris and Rome and as I write she is going to the Italian Institute in Athens for further improvement of her Italian. I write this partly to correct the impression that Maria was with the Embassy in Washington but mostly to explain to my classmates how at my age I found it possible and delightful to marry again and to establish a new home with a very lovely person. Our plans for the future are uncertain. We would like to live in the United States but there are obstacles in the way. For the present we expect to remain in Greece with occasional visits to my homeland with my children and grandchildren." Dick's new

address is 35 Alexander Zaimi Street, Old Phaleron, Athens, Greece.

We asked Marjorie O'Connor to bring us up to date about her family and she wrote that her daughter, Patricia, widow of Colonel H. J. Thies, Class of 1924, has been living with her and working for an insurance agency in Los Angeles. Her daughter, Jeanelle, is the wife of Col. J. B. Killian, Corps of Engineers, Class of 1934, stationed at Ft. Belvoir and living in the old wooden Commanding Officers quarters which has six bedrooms and three baths, perfect for their family of eight. Marjorie visited them there last May and two years ago when Colonel Killian was with SHAFE in Paris. He is the Engineer Inspector General in the office of the Chief of Engineers. Marjorie's son, Daniel, lives near her in Sherman Oaks. She related that when he was an OCS Lieutenant he was sent to Korea and after he had been there for quite some time he cabled home for his baptismal certificate. That meant that he was considering marriage and Marjorie was somewhat apprehensive but greatly relieved when she learned that his intended was a nice American girl over there as a Department clerk. Danny has two boys, Pat and Mike, twelve and thirteen years of age and a daughter, Karen Ann, age eight. They form a large part of Marjorie's life. She often joins them on camping trips and when she wrote had just returned from a weekend trip to the lower Colorado River below Needles. The fishing was good and the boys caught enough trout for their Friday dinner. Again we quote: "I see a lot of Ruth Taylor. She is having a difficult time without Jerry, having no children or grandchildren to fill her life. We classmates miss Jerry very much. He was always the one who planned class parties whenever visiting firemen were in town. I lead a full life. Aside from my children I am on the Board of a Catholic charitable organization that maintains a girls' home and I belong to a group of women who attend Sacred Heart Convents all over the world. Our alumnae comprises about three hundred women in Los Angeles and San Diego area with several meetings a year. For me these women have filled the void left by my army friends and made me enjoy living here."

Paul Larned reported that the Washington group recently had a class luncheon with Earl MacFarland as guest of honor. Also that Jesse Drain had just returned from a trip to South Carolina to visit his daughter. Enrique White was wandering around the southland and did not expect to get back until the weather improves. J. B. Rose was rather miserable with an infection in his leg. Ben and Paul planned to go down to see him but the weather had stopped them thus far. Virginia and Jimmy Collins were just back from a couple of weeks visit with their daughter in Norfolk. Gutensohn had sold his home and moved to an apartment. His new address is Garfield Apartments, 5410 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. Marya Castle had the misfortune to fall and sustained a fracture but she is recovering nicely. Otherwise, all was quiet on the Potomac.

—Hayden W. Wagner
Balmville Road
Newburgh, New York

The Annual Class Dinner took place at the Army and Navy Club, Washington, D.C., on February 11, 1961. Out of town members present were Dougherty, Ellis and Kennedy. It was a very pleasant and enjoyable evening. At a brief business session Chaney was elected Class President, Hall, Vice-President, and Schulz, Treasurer.

It is with great sorrow that we report the death of Fitzmaurice in Tucson, Arizona, on January 10, 1961. His sister, Miss Mary T. Fitzmaurice, of his home address, 1227 E. Drachman St., Tucson, reports that he had been seriously ill for over a year. Fitz leaves also a brother, Brig. Gen. James N. Fitzmaurice, U.S.A.F. Ret., Class of 1923.

The Deans made a leisurely trip from California to Biloxi, Miss., and return in November and December, dipping below the border into Mexico at some of the interesting places. They saw Fitzmaurice while in Tucson. The Bonesteels have been with their daughter and family at Carswell AFB near Fort Worth, Texas, for two months. The Currys are spending part of February in California with Eleanor's mother. The Fletchers have given up their home, Belgrove, and are now in their new home at 320 N. King St., Leesburg, Va. The Hesters have given up their apartment on Peachtree Rd. and are now in their house at 30 Karland Dr., N.W., Atlanta 5, Ga. Adele Buckner's new address is 59 Monte Mar Dr., Sausalito, California.

On March 10th the Cunninghams leave on a two months' cruise down the East Coast of S. America to Montevideo, over to Cape Town, up the East Coast of Africa to Suez and on to Lisbon with stops at many other interesting places such as Rio de Janeiro, Zanazibar, Naples and Barcelona. Ettie and John Schulz report that they celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary by taking an enjoyable and interesting 11-day motor trip to Niagara Falls and eastern Canada. Starting out from Wheeling, West Virginia, they made their first stop at historic Erie, Pennsylvania, then motored on for a visit of several days at Niagara Falls. From there they continued eastward through Canada, on excellent motor roads, via Toronto to the Thousand Islands, staying the night on the Canadian side at picturesque Cananoque, Ontario. The next morning they crossed the St. Lawrence into New York State to visit the St. Lawrence Ship Canal and Power Project at Massena, New York, and then doubled back into Canada to continue their tour to Ottawa, Montreal, and Quebec. They returned from Quebec to Washington through New England, spending a night on the way at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, where their son graduated in 1936, and several days at Newport, Rhode Island. The Averys spent some weeks in the East and South seeing members of their family. He, Dougherty, Ellis, and Schulz represented the Class at the A. & N. football game in Philadelphia. Wilbourn is planning a trip to Washington in May. Mrs. Augustine B. Kelley, widow of our last Classmate and Congressman, Mike Kelley, recently greeted their fiftieth grandchild.

George Goethals has performed a great

service to the Class in preparing the greater part of our news items in ASSEMBLY for some time. He has decided he should discontinue this work for several reasons. We appreciate his valuable work and will greatly miss his informative, interesting and up to date reports on the activities of our classmates.

—J. E. Chaney
3410 Reservoir Rd., N.W.
Washington 7, D.C.

1909

Tups and *Jessie Stearns* spent Christmas with their daughter Frances and her husband, Churchill Hutton (U. S. Consul General at Winnipeg) and two of the Hutton boys. The Stearns' continue to enjoy their Charlottesville home and their frequent visits to Colorado and the Southwest. They see *Mardie Sage* occasionally. —*Nell Miner's* address has been changed slightly to 2015 Key Blvd., Arlington, Va. She enjoyed a "wonderful Mediterranean cruise last Fall". —From *Lin Herkness*, via *Forrest Harding*, we have a clipping from *Westbrook Pegler's* column in which he refers to "Colonel Lee Davis, an infantry soldier and the perfect model of the American regular officer and gentleman", at the time when Duke was commanding the 25th Infantry Regiment at Fort Huachuca.—*Johnny Johnson* writes that the pallbearers at Tom Milling's funeral included *Ahern*, *Catron*, *Mountford*, *Stearns*, *Thummel*, *Wen* and himself; also *Christy*, *Spatz* and *Twining* of the Air Force. Also present were *Catherine Hughes*, *Irene Ord*, *Ethel Wright* and *Kay St. John* (Carl Baehr's older daughter). *Forrest Harding* is preparing a memorial sketch for publication in ASSEMBLY.—*Eleanor Erlenkotter*, from her home in North Bergen, N. J., gives us a run down on her three West Point sons: *Bob* ('34), retired last summer, has settled in *Kentfield*, *Marin Co.*, Calif.; *Dick* ('44), "who is slated to become a Lieut. Col. any day", is still in *Lexington, Mass.*; *Dave* ('45) is in *Hawaii* with the *Intelligence Div.*, *Far Eastern Command*.—*Peep* and *Dorothy Reed* hope to go to *California* this summer to see their son *Bill* and his wife. *Peep* has divined that he is to be a granddaddy shortly.—*Ray Smith* checks in with an "all's well" from *Detroit*.—*Monte Hickok* reports that *Louisa* and he "will spend several months in *Hawaii* this year with *Monte, Jr.*, and his family, who now occupy their recently built water front home at *Kailua, Oahu*. If *Hawaii* still appeals to us, we may settle there."—The new pipe organ at the *West Point Catholic Chapel*, for which *Plassmeyer's* generosity was largely responsible, has been installed. *Monsignor Moore*, in a letter to the "Admiral", wrote: "you yourself are foremost in understanding the place of the Chapel and in giving it loyal and generous support that is beyond any price". *Joe* has also awarded a full college scholarship to a 1960 graduate (not a relative) of the *Westphalia High School*. Our worthy *Missouri "skipper"* was likewise instrumental in having a large roadway marker, dedicated to the lore of *Osage County*, installed on the *State Highway* near his home town. From the inscription on the plaque we learn that *Westphalia*, "first German settlement in the country",

was founded in 1835 and was partially laid out by *Father Helias*, Jesuit missionary to *Central Missouri*. As for our *Class representative* of that pioneer breed, he writes: "I am well. I come from strong stock and expect to be around a while longer." So may it be!—Last December, *Jake Devers*, as *Chairman* of the *American Battle Monuments Commission*, attended the dedication of the *West Coast Memorial*, located on a high point in the *Presidio of San Francisco*, in memory of the service men who died in our *Pacific coastal waters* during *World War II*. He then proceeded to *Honolulu* and inspected the memorial in the large veterans' cemetery within the *Punch Bowl*. From there the party went on to dedicate the *Manila Cemetery*, situated on the old *Fort McKinley* reservation. This, he says, is a "most impressive memorial and in true keeping with the simplicity and democracy of the American people." *Bob Eichelberger*, in recognition of his conspicuous service in the *Pacific areas*, was invited to accompany the Commission but did not make the trip on his doctor's orders. *Jake* reports seeing *Bob* and *Miss Em* in *Asheville* in *October*.

Mary Kelly, from her home in *Venice, Fla.*, writes: "I am a veritable 'cracker', as all seem to be after a few years of 'sand in shoes'. Aside from soaking up sunshine, I am doing a little voluntary work which keeps the monotony to a low percentage." —*Dorothy North* contributes a newsy letter from *Jacksonville, Fla.*, where she has been staying with the *L. H. Watkins* ('07). "Nice to be back where *Earl* and I lived so many years. A few notes may be of interest: *Frank* and *Suzanne Purdon* are leaving *Andover* Feb 25 for a month in *Bermuda*. A card from *Sara Brice Everitt* (*Jimmy's* wife) says her new address is 3607 *Pershing Ave.*, *San Bernardino, Calif.* As for me, I went to visit my daughter (wife of *Col. H. W. Clark, Engrs*, '41) at the *Army War College, Carlisle, Pa.* Enjoyed them and my two grandchildren as the usual grandmother does. I plan to go back to my home in *Maine* this summer" —*Katherine Hughes*, now living in *Apt. 308, 2230 California St.*, *Washington 8*, has rounded up some interesting items on '09 people. She sees *Georgie Devers* weekly at a "luncheon bridge" at the *A-N Club*. *Peggy Milling*, who lives in the same building, takes off in *March* to visit *Tom's* relatives in *New Orleans*. *Betty Baehr*, librarian at *U. of Md.* and studying for a graduate degree, lives in the *Baehr* home in *Chevy Chase* with a girl friend. *Wilhelmina McDowell* is much improved from her former condition with *rheumatoid arthritis*. "Jerry" (*Major John J. Briscoe*) has left to be military attaché in *Laos*. His family (wife and little girl) remain in *Arlington*. *Beckwith Delano's* new address is 7209 *Waterman Ave.*, *St. Louis 30, Mo.* *Katherine Malven* now lives at 110 *Shotwell Park, Syracuse 6, N. Y.* *Ruth Ellen Patton's* husband, *Brig. Gen. Jas. W. Totten*, takes off for *Korea* in *April*. His family will stay in *Arlington, Va.* The *Washington* home, owned jointly by *Ruth Ellen* and *George Patton* (*Major, Armor*), will be occupied by the latter and his family, as he is to be stationed in *Washington*. *Ted Chase* was still in *Walter Reed* but hoping to come back soon to his home in the *Club*.—*Clare Partridge* files a brief that we have made two of their

three children illegitimate by announcing their 40th anniversary in the last issue of ASSEMBLY, when it was, factually speaking, their 50th. Sorry, but no one would ever suspect it from the debonair appearance and behavior of Betty and Clare.—*Caesar Rodney Roberts* reports that he is taking *Elsa* to Las Vegas in early March “to see one of the fantastic nightclub shows and put two bits in a one-armed bandit”. Hope you had fun and didn’t have to hitch-hike your way home.

Many thanks for all the interesting news!

—G. L. Van Deusen
22 Park Boulevard
Wanamassa, N. J.

1910

“Pappy” Selleck recently received a newsy letter from Herb Odell who is a patient in the Murphy Memorial Hospital, Red Oak, Iowa. Herb writes that he is about as usual. He has not been well for some time being afflicted with emphysema which permits no exertion. He has also had eye trouble so he doesn’t read much and writes with difficulty. A nursing home is being built in connection with the hospital and when it is completed Herb will move over there where the atmosphere will not be so depressing as in the hospital. Letters from classmates would do him a world of good.

Two of our classmates have been avoiding the snowstorms of Washington by going to Florida. “Tony” and Hazel Frank to Lakeside Inn, Mount Dora, where Tony is much improved in health and hopeful of regaining some of the weight he recently lost. “Bo” and Kay Lewis have just returned from a delightful trip to Fort Lauderdale, Homestead Air Force Base and St. Petersburg.

On the 11th of January we had at the Washington class luncheon 100% attendance; that is, the eleven who live in the city or nearby were all there. “Dad” Byars was in town from Louisville, Ky., and he was with us. It is worthy of note that these luncheons have been continuous since October 1946 with just one cancellation and one postponement over the years. They are held on the second Wednesday of each month at The Army and Navy Club. The ladies of the class have their luncheon separate from ours but on the same day and at the same place. All classmates are urged to join us, if they are in Washington on that day.

“Dad” Byars’ granddaughter, daughter of David Byars, Jr., ’38, Anne Keller Byars was married on 11 November 1960 to Mr. Lloyd Allen Hyder of Columbus, Ohio. The newlyweds have settled in an apartment in Arlington, Virginia. David Byars, Jr., expects to go to Panama for duty next July.

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

1911

As we anticipate our FIFTIETH REUNION in June, it is fitting that we recall that our prototype Class of 1811, which we memorialized in a Cadet Chapel win-
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dow alongside ours, graduated March 1, 150 years ago—Graduates 53 to 70. Number 71, the anchor man, graduated a month later and resigned at once. He reentered the Army in 1812, became a brevet major of engineers in 1814, and retired of disability as a colonel in ’61. All nineteen entering graduated, with cadet service varying from seventy to twenty-two months. All but five were off Army rolls in the first five years: four KIA, five honorably discharged, one dropped for failing to join his regiment, one discharged by the President (an action later declared illegal by the Congress), three resigned. One served in the Civil War, retiring in ’63 as a brevet brigadier general to die at 83. One honorably discharged in 1815 lived to be 84. He had graduated at 28. Only ten lived to be over forty. Five others than the KIA died while in service. The last to die was Brevet Brigadier General Loomis in 1872, at 83. Only one, Graduate 57, has had a descendant in the Corps. No. 10141, USMA ’34. We lift our glasses to our comrades-in-gray of 150 years ago. We hope they approve of 1911, and will join us in spirit.

These data are from the 1960 Register of Graduates whose fascinating Genealogical Succession, pp. 145-169, shows that Graduate No. 1 has a descendant No. 23041, USMA ’60; that 1911’s range is from Larned’s grandsire, No. 358, USMA 1823, to Wall’s son, No. 20740, USMA 1956. Here’s to the next Hundred Years! But now to current affairs.

The Bagbys have their fourteenth grandchild, a boy, born 17 January at Tampa, thanks to daughter Barbara Battenfeld. Ros Batson, writing from Bangkok, 24 January, explained that Getty and he had flown into San Francisco late the 15th from New Orleans and out for Tokyo early on the 16th—too close to “bother” the Bay Area 1911. Son Douglas on duty in Bangkok went with them as far as Rome, via Rangoon and Delhi. They flew from Paris 12 February.

John Beatty, writing Dave Cowles from Seaside, Oregon, doubts that he will feel up to making the Reunion; but quotes from a two-year-old 70th birthday greeting: “How do I know my youth is well spent? Well, my get up and go has got up and went! But in spite of it all—I’m able to grin when I think of where my get up has been!” And sends his best to 1911 likewise. Dave Cowles and Marty have that spirit: They got up and went to their new home at 1840 Oakdell Dr., Menlo Park—this on Washington’s Birthday.

Pink Hardy and Charlotte will join the Blunts in Washington early in June. Pink, Bluntie, and Bradford will essay the Reunion solo. Jim Mooney says Karl doesn’t trust W.M.’s driving since he qualified in sail; and it’s undecided “whether they’ll walk, bus, or sail”. And they were all horse-soldiers! The Blunts sailed from New York on the U.S.S. Upshur to Puerto Rico in January and reboarded nine days later on its return from Panama. They arrived in New York in early February for a quick freeze in its record snow storm, and were snowed in for two days there before they could get back to Washington—in another record snow. Can get bad there—as we recall March 4, 1909, and 1911’s vicissitudes at the Taft Inaugural.

Jim Crawford, in sending greetings to 1911 on Jan. 5, reports himself “unusually well now” after his eight weeks in hospital. Neil Finch’s obituary by Curt Nance should be in this ASSEMBLY. The Gilbreaths celebrated their 44th Anniversary the 21st of December. They still are sticking close to home; but should they come to the Reunion will fly. Sent a check to Nick “to help defray pre-Reunion expenses”. Nice. Kitty Kutz wrote 8 February that Jack had been at Walter Reed since 16 January for a successful left eye operation on the 26th. Has his sight back there, but a cataract on the right eye “got very bad on the Hawaiian trip” so that eventually “he could read only headlines, by dint of magnifying glasses; couldn’t stoop, bend, or lift anything”. Hope your shooting (and lifting) eye is in good order now, and your golf back up to par, Harry.

Sid Foster, snowed-in up at Laconia, N. H., quotes from Dowling’s poem: “Then stand to your glasses steady. One cup to the dead already. Hurrah for the next that dies.” That’s the 1911 spirit! And a good Reunion toast. Johnny Hatch, as of early February—no Reunion; likewise Birely and Jolly. Jack Homer willco. Katherine McKinney plans to come; Lucy Evans—no.

At this writing Bagby, Cowles, Lockwood, and Weaver are to be up front at Founder’s Day dinner 10 March at the Presidio of San Francisco—a triumph for Dave. Probably Art Conard, due in the Bay Area shortly before, will be with them, with Nick and Skek from the immediate vicinity.

Jeannette Hardigg writes that her being at the Reunion is improbable: son Jack and a guest cousin are graduating from high school; Jean Brew, from eighth grade; and the families will be there for the occasions. Jack will enter Georgetown University in the fall for pre-med. He is “very like W. B. in looks and personality.” Jeannette, as do all the other widows writing, sends greetings to 1911. Nick has had a letter from the long-silent Pliny McBride of 1907 days. Too tenuous an association to warrant “reuning.” Helen Shekerjian, after months of being house-bound with a back complication, was with Skek at the February SFBA 1911 luncheon sponsored by the Nichols.

In a letter signed at 0200, 23 February, Ike Spalding says: “Please tell all my former classmates of 1911 that my Plebe remembrances of all of them are most dear. That I’ve grieved with them in their losses and sorrows. In their happinesses and exultations I have joined with them and about each and every one of 1911 I have a pleasing and lasting memory.” So say we all, to you-all. It’s mutual.

Dexter Rumsey isn’t coming to the Reunion. Writes a classic full of fire and patriotism—to Nick. Thinks “so many vital things are by-passed by our Country” which “needs a dominating inspirer like another Teddy Roosevelt up-to-date”. Jim Schwenck expects to attend the Reunion. Haven’t heard whether he still raises pheasants down in the Old Dominion. Max Murray—no Reunion: bad eyes; chipped hip Nov. ’60.

Speck Wheeler, Virginia accompanying, left in mid-January to inspect and report, to the International Bank, upon the installations in process for dividing the waters

of the Indus River Basin between India and Pakistan. Some watershed! Speck was in on the determining hassle over there some time back. They return in early April in time for our Golden Jubilee.

Get your notes for Summer '61 ASSEMBLY to Nick, 36 Lagoon Rd., Belvedere, Calif., by June 1. I'm signing off. Thanks for all cooperation during the last five years and twenty ASSEMBLIES; and particularly to Nick for sharing his correspondence, and to faithful Jim Mooney who now admits to a heart condition for over five years and "none too good health for the past two", belied by his healthy looks.

—Jim Weaver

660 Menlo Oaks Dr.,
Menlo Park, Calif.

1912

The latest news of interest to the class, from the South-East Region, has already been published in our Christmas Bulletin. For our Corps Mates who loved Steve MacGregor as we did, there is this unhappy news: He died in October, 1960, after a gallant fight to conquer his disabilities over several years. Interment was in Arlington Cemetery.

My contacts with classmates of recent date have been few. The Arch Arnolds and the Wyches (1911) gave their annual joint luncheon in mid-February at the Arnold's "High House" in Southern Pines prior to the Spring Hunter Trials, an occasion highly enjoyed by their many military and civilian friends in this region of North Carolina. Arch and Marg, and also the Wyches, are in good health and enjoying life to the full.

While in Washington last week, this being written 26 February, I had time only for a couple of brief telephone talks with Littlejohn, my presence there being to attend the funeral of Gordon Graham Heiner, August 1917, husband of Charlie's youngest sister. My sister-in-law, Anne Heiner, and her family are most grateful to Red Shaffer for his sympathetic and thorough efforts in making all funeral arrangements, and to Gordon's other classmates who acted as honorary pallbearers.

As to the Hauser family, we are well and content. Our sons are home from Europe. Chuck resigned from United Press International, Paris bureau, and returned to the Charlotte (NC) Observer; Bill and his bride are now in Lawton, Oklahoma, Bill 1954 attending the Advanced Course at the Field Artillery School.

A plea to classmates and class widows in the South-East Area: I shall continue to inform you from time to time on matters of class interest, especially as to progress of arrangements for our golden class reunion in 1962; but I do request that you send me word, however brief, of news which I can forward to the other regional representatives, for publication in later issues of Assembly.

—John N. Hauser
1100 Clark St.
Fayetteville, N.C.

1913

It is with deep regret that I report the death of our classmate James N. Peale, Sr., at his home in Fairfax, Virginia, on 23 January. Jimmie had been

ill for some two years. I also received word that Gordon R. Young was in Walter Reed Hospital having suffered a severe heart attack and am very glad to report that word received on 21 February indicates that he is recovering and will soon be able to return home.

Howard C. Davidson and his wife have just returned from an extended trip to Europe and are now back in Washington. Alfred B. (Johnnie) and Mrs. Johnson have also returned from an extended trip to Louisiana and points south only to find that their home was snowed in. Am glad to report that Eleanora Greene has fully recovered from her serious illness of a year ago and is as chipper as ever. Our fiftieth reunion is only a little over two years away and now is the time to make all our arrangements to be at West Point in June of 1963 as that date is the biggest milestone in our history. Moose and Mildred Ardery made a trip East and spent a few days in Washington but did not get far enough North to see your scribe, both reported good health.

—DTG

835 Morgan Ave.
Drexel Hill, Pa.

1914

Our usual class news was omitted from the Winter 1961 issue of Assembly, because our booklet of Christmas messages from classmates and class widows was being mailed out at the time the class letter for Assembly was to be written and the booklet contained all the news available at that time.

Many letters have been received from classmates and class widows, saying how much they have enjoyed reading the booklet. I am very gratified that your and my efforts in this publication were worth while. I enjoyed the work of editing and assembling the letters, and hope they will bring our Class closer together.

One of the letters of appreciation came from Roger Harrison. In it he sent the sad news of the death of his wife Elizabeth a short time after the operation he wrote of in his Christmas letter. I wrote him expressing the sympathy of the Class. Roger wrote that he planned to continue to live in his home at Lodi, California, until he can sell the house, and then plans to live near his daughter, who can look after him.

On December 11, I received a letter from Bill Ryan praising our booklet, and in it he said that he had received unconfirmed news from Carmel Valley friends that our classmate, Edward L. N. (Monty) Glass, had died very recently. I wrote Jim Cress and he investigated and found this was true. Monty died at Letterman General Hospital on December 1, 1960, after several months illness, from complications after bronchial pneumonia. It was very unfortunate that none of the Class knew anything about Monty's illness or death until Jim Cress learned of it. Harrison Brand was Monty's room-mate for the last year at the Academy and he wrote to Monty's son, Mr. John B. Glass, 530 Pleasant St., Belmont, Mass., expressing the condolences of the Class, and received a reply containing considerable information. Monty left his second wife

Li R Glass, who is permanently hospitalized in San Francisco, and another son, Edward B.T. Glass, who lives at 1503 Enfield Road, Austin, Texas. Monty was the son of Lt. John Nelson Glass (USMA '78). His first wife died in 1942 while he was on duty in Guatemala, and she was laid to rest at her home town, Corsicana, Texas, where Monty was also buried.

Harrison Brand has, as usual, sent me many news items which I shall summarize. He went to Los Angeles on November 12, and enjoyed a fine dinner with Bruz and Vera Waddell as hosts, and with Tom and Elsa Lanphier, Bill and Florence Houghton, and Jim Cress. Harrison then went to Phoenix for the annual meeting of the Aerospace Industries Assn. of which he is the Executive Secretary. There he heard from Jessie Lewis, that Cedric was in Williams AFB Hospital and he visited Cedric. Harrison mentioned that Arthur and Helen Harris returned recently from a trip around the world.

Another message from Harrison Brand contains this news. A special class luncheon, including the ladies, was held in Washington on December 14, and it was attended by a number of Washington couples, as well as by Charlie and Ella Gross, who were touring the country to visit their children and grandchildren, by Lester Lampert, and by Eugene Villaret, who had been visiting his son, Eugene, Jr., in Silver Springs, Md. Jack and Gus Jouett were visiting in Washington during the Christmas Season, and attended the Class dinner on January 4. Also Graciella Torroela came up from Cuba to visit her sister, Leonora Kuhn, who lives in the same apartment in Washington as the Brands, and Harrison took Graciella and Leonora to the Army and Navy Club on February 1, and they joined the Class wives during the Class dinner on that day.

I have a letter from May (Mrs. Howard P.) Milligan telling me that she has moved back to the apartment she and Howard had before his death. The address is: 714 n.e. 79th St., Miami 38, Florida.

When Ralph and Agnes Royce were on their trip around the world, early in 1960, they saw Pilar Lim and learned that our Classmate Vicente's copy of the 1914 Howitzer was destroyed during World War II. Ralph sent a copy of the Howitzer to an old friend, Major Cecil H. Whaley of Clark AFB, and arranged for Major Whaley to present the Howitzer to Pilar. Ralph sent me a clipping from the Manila Times, containing a picture of the presentation. Mrs. Whaley wrote to Ralph: "Mrs. Lim is a delight to meet, and is much beloved in the Philippine Islands."

We in San Antonio have been fortunate to have two visits from classmates recently. John Henry and Marguerite Woodberry were here in San Antonio in November, and spent a couple of weeks visiting their many friends. Earll and I enjoyed having them attend a Class Army and Navy game party at our house. Both are looking fine. John Henry has become an expert wood carver and showed us photographs of his carvings

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and of the comfortable home he built in Greenville, S.C.

About a week ago Tom and Clara Monroe passed through San Antonio and we enjoyed seeing them at a party at which Tim and Amy Rees were hosts. The Monroes were en route to visit Putnam's wife and two sons, who are living near her parents in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, while Putnam is completing a tour of duty in Viet Nam. When they passed thru Phoenix the Monroes saw Cedric and Jessie Lewis at their home at Apache Junction. Tom found that Cedric had another stroke in early January, and is still paralyzed on one side. After visiting Putnam's wife the Monroes were planning to go to Florida, where I'm sure they will see our classmates, and then to return to Eureka, California via Fort Leavenworth, to visit their other son, Tom, Jr. who is stationed at the School with his wife and daughter.

Best regards to all.

—John H. Carruth
241 Claywell Drive,
San Antonio 9, Texas.

1915

Those among you who can still read will recall that some months ago I commented on the fact that the term "deadline" applied to these "notes" was a misnomer. Nothing dead could move so fast and occur so frequently. Regretfully the same cannot be said for Assembly. It is now February 20th and still no Assembly. Wouldn't the name "Resurrection" be a better one for a magazine which returns to life after such a long time dead?

On December 5th Mike Summers wrote that he is now a "septuagenarian" and a member of the A.H.O.P.'s. If you are curious as to what A.H.O.P. stands for, contact Mike. The censors will not permit the spelling out of this title. It contains dirty words. On February 13th another nice letter from Mike suggests that the top hat worn by Ike on January 20th be presented to the West Point Museum and placed alongside the famous hat of MacArthur's. How about that, Ike? Mike also enclosed a newspaper clipping relating how an old lady mistakenly mailed a letter in the Oakland, California Post Office on which she had pasted two trading stamps. The Oakland Post Office canceled the stamps and the letter went through the mail without comment. Dad Herrick probably thought the letter's destination was "The New Frontier."

Nim'rod Woodruff still "safaries" in the Texas brush for bucks and turkeys. Says Woody: "I find that although others in the same area see bucks frequently, I seldom do. I don't suppose it could be my aging eyes. My one point, however, is that when I do see one I can usually make venison." No doubt the old dough-boy can still squeeze that trigger.

Tommy Larkin, the Director "Grupo de Planeamiento de los Transportes de las Obras Publicas de Argentina" reports on his activities which he finds most interesting. He is in charge of three groups of experts, one from Italy, one from Holland and one from the U.S.A., with a substantial number of Argentinians as reinforcements. "Language is a problem," says Tom, "but I am surmounting that by taking Spanish lessons every morning

at 7:45 for an hour before the office opens." He speaks to the Italians in French and fortunately the Dutch speak English. So when his "Espanish" is as good as his "Francais" he will be able to "spik pairfectly" with all his hombres. Apparently he gets more than a coffee break once in a while. On Ike's recommendation he spent ten days of the festive season fishing in the Andes near Chile where he encountered trout fishing of the highest order. Well! The Andes Mountains are pretty high.

Last December 12 Ike attended his last class luncheon as President. Twenty-one of our class were present. Besides the usual residents of the "Capital of Confusion" there were such eminent Out of Towners as Dutch Aurand of Honolulu and Bill Tompkins of Richmond, Virginia. Suhl! Hume Peabody of Maryland was absent due to an indisposition. He did, however, manage to drag himself to the January luncheon and lists himself as "Ole-Warmed-Over-Death." As soon as the luncheon was over Hume high-tailed it for his hideaway in Leon-



This is NOT a picture of Ed and Bess Sherburne's grandson, but Mary Lela Grimes (Mrs. E. G. Sherburne, Jr.) holding one of Darwin's descendants which she uses in her educational TV film, Brookfield Zoo.

ardtown. "Big cities scare the hell out of me these days," comments Hume.

While back on the mainland Dutch Aurand was named by Ike to be U. S. Commissioner on the South Pacific Commission. In addition to the U. S. this commission is composed of Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, France and the Netherlands. Congratulations, Dutch. We are delighted you will have a few places to visit besides Washington, New York, San Antonio, Las Cruces and San Francisco. Maybe you and Tommy Larkin can get together on the Galapagos Islands and go fishing or something.

Free-swinging Joe Swing will retain his immigration job. The Washington Post reports that "Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy has decided to keep General Swing in office as Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization." General Swing has been telling his friends that he "agreed to stay for a while." That was nice of Joe, don't you think? I am sure Mr. "Pew Drearsen" will be pleased. And now Joe can go hunting in Mexico again. Mr. Commissioner, why don't you deport Harry Bridges before you retire?

John Wallington wrote Earl Price that

he (John) was taking blood thinning medicine. Earl wrote back and indignantly declared he had never heard of such a thing. He always assumed the Army used Bourbon for that purpose. Many will agree with Earl that the old fashioned remedies are so much more effective—and so much more pleasant to imbibe.

Our efficient secretary went pheasant hunting some time ago and roamed the fields from 0800 to 1200—"Walked 8 to 10 miles and didn't feel a bit tired. We had our limit by then and had to stop. Good hunting, good company, good dog, fine weather. What more could one ask for an outing?" And the echo answers "Nothing, sir, absolutely nothing, especially at your age!"

Mary and Mike Davis report: "all is quiet in San Antonio with 1915. The Leonards had a grand time in Hawaii. Our son, Mike, Jr., is at Mineral Wells (Camp Wolters) for a 12-week helicopter course, then to Germany. We hope all 1915 are as happy and as healthy as we are." Thanks, Mike.

Clesen Tenney is busier than ever in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Las Cruces, New Mexico. The cashier left the day after Christmas (apparently without the Bank's cash) and Clesen took over his duties in the Trust Department, the Records Division, the Supply Section and the Personnel Division. Sounds like our shave-tail days when we were detailed as Post Police Officer, Post Athletic Officer, Post Ordnance Officer, J.A. of a general court, etc., etc. in addition to our regular duties.

Much ado in the D.C. papers about the inability of Ike's secretary and aide to obtain supplies to clean up Ike's business while he was in Georgia shooting quail (perhaps also shooting the bull on the side). G.S.A. said, "Sorry there is no authority for office supplies." The secretary could get no writing paper, no carbon, no pencils, no yellow scratch pad, not even paper clips.—Can you imagine an office without paper clips? Gosh! J.F.K., on learning about this tragic situation, gave personal orders that supplies be issued. Ike telegraphed his deep gratitude. "Sic Transit Fame."

Changes of addresses:

1. Joe Swing to 4916 Van Ness St., N.W., Washington 16, D.C.

2. Helen Howard to 59 Park Lane, Golf, Illinois.

3. Lenora Teter to Box 327, Bellington, West Virginia.

New Address:

Peggy Beukema, The Westchester, Apt. 702B, 400 Cathedral Ave., N.W. Washington 16, D.C.

Add to Class Roster:

1. Mrs. Charles H. (Nan) Chapin, 1809 Beacon Hill Blvd., N.E. Atlantic 6, Georgia

2. Mrs. John F. (Helen) Stevens, 1877 Riverside Drive, Jackson, Tennessee

3. Mrs. Margaret W. Ridgway (Peggy) (Formerly Mrs. Henry Harold Dabney), c/o Mrs. M. R. Cross, 455 East 57th St., New York, N.Y.

You will be interested to learn that Nan Chapin has two sons, Charles and Read. Neither managed to get to West Point but Charles graduated from Randolph, received his wings at Kelly in March 1941. He was based at Wheeler field, Oahu and went through Pearl Har-

bor. He saw service there for four years. In June 1945 he led his squadron on a bombing mission from Iwo Jima and was lost in action. He was a major. Read is a captain A.F., stationed in England. He is a jet fighter pilot, married and has a daughter and a son. His squadron commander is "Doc" Blanchard, Army football hero.

Our famous classmate Ike is now an elder statesman. We are all familiar with his distinguished career so it will not be repeated here. However, I think it is appropriate to mention that Ike's record of service to the nation as an Army officer, as Supreme Commander, as President of Columbia and as President of the United States has no parallel in our history. He performed all these duties with honor and distinction. He is a credit to his family, to his Alma Mater, to his nation and to the world. We, his classmates, are proud of him and of his high accomplishments and feel honored to be called his friends.

The class of 1915 Historical Committee, under the chairmanship of Clesten Tenney, is hard at work on the class project. This project has already enabled us to locate the whereabouts of two widows and many next of kin or other family of a number of our departed classmates. The only ones about whom we have no information are: Brady; Cronkhite, Frank; Gorman; Hooper; McNabb; Straub; Williams, J.H.C. Anyone who has a lead on any one of these, please contact Det Ellis.

I just received "Peanut" Waldron's appeal to fill out the attached "guide for Biographical Sketch" without delay. If Ben Franklin had been presented with such a guide before he began his Autobiography he never would have written it. The only saving grace is paragraph III, sub-paragraph (II) "give date of retirement or resignation or death." I wrote "Peanut" the following reply:

Date of death February 15, 1961, same day on which I received your guide.

Sincere good wishes from your dear departed historian

WOG.

-Maj. Gen. John B. Wogan
12 Cherry Lane
Asheville, North Carolina

1916

Among those who dodged at least some of a snow bound northern winter were the Birminghams who spent some time in Orlando, Florida, and John Martin who went to Phoenix, Arizona. The Brundreds went to California in February when the snow hit Oklahoma, too. The Barrows on their way to Florida, stopped in Washington for two days to visit their son in nearby Virginia. They had dinner with the Scotts, but a heavy snow storm prevented the welcome that our other classmates would have liked to give them.

To liven the winter season a Class dinner was held on February 2nd at the Army Navy Club by the Washington 1916 group and their wives. Present were the Cockrells, DeWitts, Gallaghers, Maguires, O'Hares, Pricketts, Scotts, Walshes and Blisses. Bill Shipp and Bill Hoge came from out of town to attend. During

the dinner a greeting by telegram was received from Parker and Margaret Kuhn who sailed that evening from New York for a European trip. The party was a great success and will be repeated annually.

Early this year Horace McBride came to Walter Reed Hospital for a check up. Before returning to Florida he attended the regular local monthly Class luncheon in January. Please note that a Class luncheon is held on the second Tuesday of every month at the Army Navy Club in Washington. Visiting classmates are always welcome. The Weyands spent the winter in Phoenix, Arizona. On the way they stopped off in San Antonio where the Class spread out the red carpet for them. "Babe" says breakfast was the only meal he and Marie ate alone during their short stay. "Babe", whose last book, The Cavalcade of Basket Ball, is now in the book shops, is planning another. He expects to get his thoughts organized in the stimulating atmosphere of Arizona, but he has not announced the new subject.

The Class has acquired a new grandson, Fred Inglis' first, the son of his daughter, Barbara, whose husband is an engineer with Boeing Airplane Company in Seattle. Fred must have fully recovered from his operation last year, for he says he climbed mountains at his summer cabin in Wyoming. The Robbs were in Venice, Florida, during December and later, in January. Holland was in Washington attending a meeting of the President's Committee on Aging.

Cramp and Harriett Jones were in San Francisco at Christmas to be with his mother on her 92nd birthday and then rushed back to El Paso to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. A news item in the El Paso Post Herald informs us that Crampton is a volunteer lay substitute for the minister of a Mission Church in Juarez, Mexico, and preaches an excellent, fifteen minute sermon all in Spanish. Ray Moses will be in Washington in late March. It is a business trip, but there will be time for a little golf. Later in the spring Ray and Marjorie

will visit their son who is stationed at Fort Bliss.

Al Draves had most of his family with him in Milwaukee at Christmas. His two sons in the navy plan to retire next year and come back to Wisconsin and live. The Tully's spent Christmas with their married daughter at Fort Benning and then visited their son Larkin, at Maxwell A. F. B. The Spences spent ten days at his old home in Albany, Georgia. Jack Fraser writes that he is not up to his old form and that Kate's asthma troubles her when she gets away from Arizona, so they must pass up the reunion this year. Garcia also writes from the Philippines that he wishes he could be with us in June, but sends best wishes to all if he can't make it.

-Brig Bliss

3808 Reno Road, N.W.
Washington 8, D.C.

April

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On 11 January we had a class luncheon at Fort McNair, which was greatly enjoyed by all present. The accompanying photo shows the fine turnout. The Washington area group usually has a stag lunch on the second Wednesday of September, November, January, March, and May, and we hope that all visiting classmates will join us. Also, Helen and Bob Ransom have invited the class to a picnic at their home in Gaithersburg, Md., on 3 June.

As many of you know, John Trott Murray died at Brooke General Hospital on 27 November, after a long battle with two rare diseases. He was buried in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. Gracie writes that for several years "Nig's" hobby has been growing chrysanthemums. He grew gorgeous ones—all sizes, colors, and varieties—over 1500 plants, every one of which he grew from cuttings which he rooted. Gracie has sold her house and plans to move to a nice apartment in San Antonio in March.

April 1917 Class Luncheon, 11 January '61



1st row: Suzanne Crump, Gav Yuill, Millie Noce, Dot Eagles, Gwen Bradshaw, Helen Ford, Dot Eley.
2nd row: "Kewp" Yuill, Aline Olmstead, Bill Heavey, Louise Bonham, Enriette Schroeder, Bob Ransom, Vivian Irving, Jeanette Jackson, Aaron Bradshaw, Sam Smith, Rothé Erler, Harry Schroeder, Fred Irving, Flora Parks. 3rd row: Dan Noce, Bill Eley, Emily Tully, Louie Ford, Leo Erler, Ira Crump, "Parson" Parks, Sid Young, Cowper Smith, "Birdie" Eagles, Marie Parks (widow of Floyd and sister-in-law of "Parson"), Helen Ransom.

Just as these notes are being written a telegram has come from Harris Jones saying that Rex Beasley died on 25 February. Funeral services will be held at the Fort Meyer Chapel, and burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery. The sincere sympathy and affection of the class are extended to Eleanor.

In December Dave Rumbough wrote that he and Lucie were about to leave for Culi, Columbia, where Dorothy and her husband, a doctor with the Rockefeller Foundation, are stationed. In previous years Lucie and Dave have spent winters with Dorothy and her husband in Mexico, Bagdad, Iraq, and southern Europe. Dave has quit his job as manager and treasurer of the music school, but as he is still on the hospital and library boards and on the yacht and golf-club staffs, he still hasn't gotten around to all those projects he planned on doing after retirement. Lucie is Commodore of the Kollegewidgwak Yacht Club. She enjoys racing her 32-foot racing sailboat and does extremely well with it. Dave crews for Lucie occasionally but prefers fishing in his inboard motor boat.

Nina and Charley Gerhardt had their daughter, Nina, Jr., with her husband, Captain D. J. Kennedy, and their four children with them for the Christmas holidays. And Renie and Mark Clark were down there for the Bowl game—which Citadel won easily. Alice and Bill McMahon gave a luncheon for them, with Nina and Chuck, and Dorothy and Lawrence Mitchell included as guests.

In the latest report from Bertha and "Doc" Johnson we learn that the sailboat which "Doc" built during the past year is a complete success and handles well. He was planning to race it the day after he wrote. Their daughter Patricia's husband, Colonel Glen S. Finley, Jr., commanded a tank destroyer battalion in battle up to the Armistice, then transferred to the Ordnance. He now commands the Erie Ordnance Depot at Port Clinton, near Camp Perry, Ohio.

Thanks to advance notice from Jim Hayden, many of us had the fun of watching Peter's wife, Dorothy Hayden, competing with other experts in Championship Bridge two successive Sundays on TV. In 1959 Dorothy won a handsome cup as National Mixed Pairs Bridge Champion, and in 1960 she was runner-up.

In a note from Dot Sherrill she enclosed a clipping from a Tampa newspaper saying that Kelly Harrison was the principal speaker at the February meeting of the Tampa Chapter, Retired Officers Association. Kelly lives in Largo, Florida.

Joe Marx, who lives in Phoenix, Arizona, retired from Government service and from the U.S. Army Reserve in 1953. He reports that the West Point Society of Phoenix invited all Naval Academy graduates and former midshipmen in the area to an Army-Navy get-together for the Army-Navy Game.

Helen Brown did a lot of traveling in 1960, but she writes that the high spot of the year was ten marvelous weeks in Europe—a superb experience with a wonderful group of traveling companions.

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

We've had a terrible winter in Washington with our garden buried in more than a foot of snow from early December until the 19th of February when we returned from a business trip to Fort Campbell to find it gone. Our return was made via day coach as we were caught in the airlines' flight engineers' wildcat strike. How do you like the way President Kennedy handled that?

If it should snow once more this winter we will have broken Washington's all-time record for the amount of snow fallen. Fortunately, we bought our first pair of snow tires the day of the first snow and have had no trouble that couldn't be cured with a handful of sand, but others haven't been so lucky; we have had to dig out three of our neighbors whose cars were stalled and blocking the way to our garage.

On the Day Before Inauguration Storm when we were using public transportation, Miriam called us at 4:00 PM to tell us we'd better start home if we hoped to get there. We'd have left even earlier if we had only looked up from our work to see what was happening. We hadn't looked—and it took us until 10:30 PM to cover the three miles home. Miriam is ready now to move to Florida.

Biff and Elizabeth Jones left town about the 10th of February to visit daughter Barbara O'Grady in Caracas, Venezuela. Elizabeth told us she just couldn't take this snow for one more day.

Forrest and Bob Willard are now in an apartment in The Legation at 5420 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. Bob goes out to Forest Glen twice a week for therapy with members of the Class, under Red Shaffer's supervision, running a roster to see that he gets there.

The only bright spots were Dent and Ellanor Sharp's visit to Washington and the huge party that Anne and Gordon Heiner tossed at the Army and Navy Club on the 29th of January while the Sharps were here.

Then, just a few days later, Gordon suffered a stroke and was rushed to Walter Reed where an emergency operation was performed. He failed to respond to the operation although he did live for several days. He passed away on the 18th of February and we buried him at Arlington on the 21st. May God bless and comfort Anne.

The bad winter was general across the country, we believe and probably explains why we have had so little mail. Jules Schaefer did write from Wichita to say how disappointed he was when Otto Jank failed to stop in Wichita on his way from Texarkana to Leavenworth, as reported in the last Assembly. Jules is taking things easy, he says; he attends staff meetings at the Boeing plant each Thursday and the local Rotary meetings. Once a month he flies to Seattle for a Board meeting and he promises to be with us at West Point for Reunion in 1962.

Girard Troland wrote from Lexington —the Yankees are accustomed to winter —to console us for forgetting whether we

had published a Class Newsletter last spring; we're all getting old together, he says, and forgetting is part of the process. It's just a question of the stage one's in. The four stages: one forgets names; one forgets faces; one forgets to zipper up; and one forgets to unzipper. Anyway, he says, a group that has such diverse interests as camellias, falcons, Shetland ponies, fishing, jaguar hunting, grandchildren, and house maintenance has not lost all hope. He himself has taken up the baking of good bread but, so far, most of his loaves have gone to the squirrels.

Bob Bringham has a new address, 221 Euclid St., Santa Monica, Calif. He hasn't organized his retired life very well yet, he tells us, but he is determined to make it.

Madeline and Carol Wilson are in Honolulu, after trying out Palm Springs and Bob's old VA Hospital. Carl is now in Tripler General, doing fine and walking, according to Madeline. As for herself, "Please pass the Geritol," she pleads.

We did have one real letter, from Clyde Morgan in Winter Park; the Sharps had arrived in Florida and were visiting Navy friends, the Admirals Mert and Toni Stone. The Admirals staged a royal welcome with all the Class in Winter Park and Benny Ferris (1915) and Horace McBride and Craigie Krayenbuhl (1916) present. The last named set the theme for the evening with his "The moral is to smile and grin and say you're fine for the shape you're in."

A few days later the Class held its first Winter Dinner Meeting at the Orlando Officers Club with the Sharps and Stones as honored guests. The regulars included Margaret Barber, Midge Hall, Tommy and Phil Day, Helen and Eddie House, Verna and Clyde Morgan, Nan and Pinkie Rolfe, and Betty and Swede Sarcka.

(Dent called us later from Winter Park to tell us about the party—and of his fishing trips with Admiral Stone; our classmates down there seem not to fish.)

Margaret Barber has since taken off for the Orient—Saigon, Hong Kong, etc.—via California where she will visit with Hal's mother, known to us all as "Madre."

"This has been a kind winter in Central Florida," writes Clyde. "While the nights have bordered on cold, we have had no freezes. Our citrus trees are bearing bountifully and this is about the best year ever for Azaleas and Camellias. The latter are so gorgeous that even a connoisseur like Froggie Reed would turn pale with envy." Now we know that Miriam will go to Florida.

We like the idea too, especially after hearing from Mac McGregor that "The girls are still running around in short shorts. Whoopee!" And even more after receiving a card from Ellanor Sharp just as we go to press, telling us that "The serious fishing is just about to start." The Sharps are off for the Florida Keys.

Oh well! After our 1962 Reunion we expect to be free too to go to Florida or wherever the fishing is best.

—Leo B. Conner,
4318 36th Street, N.W.,
Washington 8, D.C.

June
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What a winter we had here in the East! Even Columbia, S. C. offered Kitty Boineau a basis for griping because of "sleet all over the ground", yet he and Lib were able to play golf in 60 degree weather in midwinter.

Harry Mewshaw is associated with Kitty's brother in the moving business (Van Line) which, in a way, perpetuates his association with his old roommate Kitty.

Bob Hamilton, after his retirement from ALCOA, made a hurried trip to Florida where he renewed his contacts with Matty Mathews and Wayne Wells in Sarasota. Bob is going through the mental anguish of deciding on his retirement home, and is back in Barrington, R. I. with the problem still unsolved.

Scip Axelson reports "nothing of interest". He is either secretive or unimaginative. He and Norma send best regards to all.

Hal Lewis was hoping for a white Christmas when last heard from. Not in Miami, but in Dairen where he and Frances planned to visit their younger daughter and grandchildren. Hal's older daughter and family live in Miami where three grandchildren keep the old man happy. Hal extends a hearty invitation to classmates to join him for deep sea fishing at any time when they may be in Florida.

Matty Mathews' lovely daughter Julia has married since our last reunion and has now presented Matty with a sturdy redheaded grandson. I gather from Matty's letter that this alleviated, to some extent, his indignation at the now defunct executive order to "bring the dependents home" and save the gold supply from further depletion. Matty and Wayne Wells were very cooperative in showing the Hamiltons some Florida real estate, including a few houses that Wayne had built. But Marguerite Hamilton found a cool (Florida) 72 degrees a bit warm for her long woollies which all Rhode Islanders are alleged to don on October oneth.

Daddy Holt and Mary Mason dropped in for a chat in February. Both of the Holts are in the best of health, though Daddy looks something like a jacket design for a Perry Mason who-dun-it which could be called "The Case of the Calcified Classmate". He has taken off so much weight, deliberately, that Mary Mason is about to learn to cook so that people won't suspect that the family skeleton has escaped from the closet. Their son Henry Winston III is to be married in June to Miss Bette Lou White of Nashville. Bette Lou, the daughter of Mrs. Joseph Reeves White and the late Dr. White, was educated at Harpeth Hall, Holton Arms, and Vanderbilt University. Winston soaked up learning at Episcopal High and the University of Virginia. Our best wishes for success and happiness to these scions of two distinguished southern families.

We regret to report the death of Freddie Gerhard in the hospital at Fort Meade, Md. on the 24th of January. Freddie had suffered for some time from a heart condition which severely

limited his activities. The crisis came about suddenly. Freddie was laid to rest in Arlington. The class extends deep sympathy to Helen and the family.

Tommy Tompkins, accustomed to battling the snowclad hills and dales of Vermont, took off for Florida with Nonie and wound up in a snow drift in Southern Virginia! Very appropriate that 100 years after pushing them around we can still stop the Yankees in an environment to which they are accustomed. Nonie finished her journey to Miami by train, while Tommy plugged through to St. Augustine. Nonie will finish the winter in Stuart where Tommy, who had to return to Northfield on business, will join her later. Keep your eyes peeled for the publication of Nonie's book! I can't yet report the title but can report that this lady can write as could her mother who is a well known author in her own right.

Sam and Fran Sturgis deserted the local igloos for Florida Sunshine in February. How we envy them. I came back from Florida after seeing Ham off on his rocket ride just in time to attend the winter festivities in Washington. The "festivities" consisted of being snow-bound.

John Haleston leads a settled bachelor life in Hermosa Beach where he has developed into a fine cook. He hasn't lost his professorial attitude and corrects me for my poor French. John is somewhat incapacitated (I don't know what and hope it is not severe). "À la bonne heure, Jean, et bon appetit!"

Bit Barth, our former scribe, and Mary report a quiet but busy life and no class news. Where is his former roommate Eddie Crouch? We've lost him. Bit sent in a donation for the fund which is in the treasury guarded by watch dog Kern. Our thanks to Bit; but don't follow his example. We are in good shape and will apply the old squeeze when and if we need money.

J. A. Weeks checked in from Pebble Beach but hasn't seen a classmate since the California game. He does see our August '17 buddies—Wilson, Chapman, and Bissell. J. A.'s son, a Junior, is an Air Force major stationed at Randolph Field.

Jim Marshall and Mabel continue to enjoy excellent health. Their son Robert is in the G-4 Section, Eighth Army in Korea. Daughter Beryl lives in Rochester. We might disagree with Jim on what he calls a quiet life. Here is a resume of his activities during the past several years. Two years in Turkey, two years at the U. N. with the Korean Reconstruction Agency, a couple of business trips to Venezuela and a recent office in Paris in connection with a construction job in French Equatorial Africa. Jim continues his consulting activities and has assumed charge of construction of a new parish house for Saint James Episcopal Church in Skaneateles. Jim points out that, in the recent list of eligibility for promotion to colonel (the so-called "truly outstanding" officers) were the following class sons: P. H. Tansey, Jr., R. H. Offley, Jr., and R. C. Marshall. J. B. Newan, II made the list last year.

Bob Horr, back from Hawaii, plans to return in the fall for a bridge tournament. After cruising the south seas two years

ago, Bob contracted a touch of the Tahitian-Samoan-Grass Skirt Fever. Of late he has concentrated on the 50th State. Bob and Freddie Kimble are exchanging color slides of two Pacific extremes where both have sojourned—together in Alaska, separately in the glamorous isles.

Bee Rundell and Earle should now be in Connecticut after wintering in Umatilla, Fla. Earle and his nonogenarian father spent some time undergoing treatment to which, I am happy to report, both responded well. Bee was acquiring sun tan in 102 degree temperature on Washington's birthday! Both are counting on a great summer with all children and grandchildren present where Earle will reign as King of the Barbecue and Bee as Culinary Queen of the Kitchen. Bee hopes that the chips will change hands every night! My guess is that Earle had better stick to poker at the barbecue pit rather than at the card table. Bee sets an example for all class gals. When Earle didn't report, she did!

Squire Foster's health is much better than last year. He's hoping it will hold up for the next reunion. I, too, Squire—for you, me, and all of the rest of us.

Pat and Dorothy Casey spent February and early March in Jamaica where they had a well staffed cottage on Discovery Bay. These two beach combers report the weather perfect, surf and swimming, staff and food excellent. They are looking for property and hope to continue to winter there. Pat's Irish complexion matches that of the natives and Dotty's likewise. It is doubtful that Pat's beauty has been improved, but it is certain that Dotty's couldn't be! You can't improve on perfection.

Lloyd Mielenz and Maureen saw the Phil Gallaghers at a buffet in Columbus, Georgia recently. The Mielenzes may be in Europe in the spring and expect to check up on eastern classmates before returning to Macon in July. Lloyd reports that Charlie Lifsey was greatly missed at the last meeting of the local Retired Officers Association.

And Jigger Cobb has broken a rib crawling out of the bath tub. That's what happens to a country boy when he experiments with modern appliances. When it is too cold to bathe in the creek, we advise Jigger to wait for summer.

Present at the last bull session in Washington were: Hodges, Sibert, Kern, Kimble, Tansey, Barriger, Lorence, Sturgis, Bishop, and Baish. Contact any or all of us when in this vicinity.

Bud Miley, Eddie Sibert, and I had lunch together in February. Eddie takes off soon for the Philippines for a brief look see at foreign affairs there.

Do Tell! In time for the next issue.

—W. L. Barriger
4010 Crescent Lane
McLean, Va.

November

1918

Christmas will seem far in the past by the time these notes appear in print but the mechanics of publishing are such that there is a long time between cup and lip with Class Notes. These first paragraphs are being written in January in

ASSEMBLY

Ward 26, Walter Reed Hospital, where your amanuensis, Conrad, G. B., is having his head examined. In fact it has just been thoroughly X-rayed. People like Groves who have wondered for years what if anything was in it may now be able to find out from the C.G., W.R.A.H., if he is in a confiding mood. Some three months ago, for the first time in half a century of riding horses, I got dragged with my left foot in the stirrup, with painful results. Everything seemed to be clearing up well. I had been foxhunting again and felt fine barring a stiff neck and an occasional headache, when a routine eye examination prior to fitting new spectacles disclosed a hemorrhage behind the left eye. A complete physical exam found me fit for a Second Lieutenant's commission except for hypertension that was not present a month ago. So here I am for inspection and correction.

While resting between tests I am looking over the many Christmas cards received from Classmates; most bear only the usual greetings of the season, but some bear news which I shall now summarize for you.

Conrad, V.J., and Melba send us greetings from 10334 Newcomb Avenue, Whittier, Calif., where they are happily established and snuggler and warmer than those of us who have been through the recent Eastern snow storms, but I think of Chief and Jack Brimmer in Cheyenne! The Al Millers report a 29,000 mile motor trip. The dotted line on the map they sent covers the eleven most Western states as well as Texas. Al also kept the air lines solvent by his extensive patronage joined on one trip by Ruth on a visit to Corinne and Tom and to inspect the sixth grandchild. Thanksgiving they spent with Donald and gathered the whole clan at Tip-Toe Lane for Christmas.

Margie and Tommy Aaron look happy, healthy and a lovely brown—disgustingly underclothed for December, in shorts under a palm tree, despite reports that she recently walked through a closed glass door and he has been threatened with diabetes. Tom writes that the Aaron latch-string is always out to wandering Classmates, that although he has decided he has now consumed his lifetime Bourbon ration, he can still pour a drink for a friend and is second to none at broiling steaks. Virginia and Jack Winn, on a background with much snow, pine trees and cardinals, write that this snowbound mailbox should be quite appropriate for your present weather situation—hope you are enjoying Virginia as we are California. What a friend! That week, Jack, you could not see our mailbox. It was covered. Anyhow, we could not get to it. The road was blocked until the bulldozers came. There is a card with a photograph of Van Voorst looking smug and domesticated with a lovely lady seated on the arm of his chair. I don't want to start any unqualified rumors so will withhold comment pending investigation.

The Gillands report sufficiently good health under a quiet and pleasant routine and offer milder weather to those now snowbound.

Paul Kelly is back at the old stand after extensive travels.

Pansy Walker writes that Sam is taking his first vacation in over four years. They

had planned to visit son Sammy at Ft. Belvoir over Christmas and see all the old Washington and Virginia friends, but Sammy was ordered to the Missile Base at Cheyenne so they decided to shun travel and enjoy their holiday in the South. The Mark Rhoads plan to spend the winter in Florida at Datona Beach. Mark expects to see Chorpenning as he is reported to be at DeLand nearby. Also in Florida are the Mike Jenkins. They expect son Bud with wife and three children for the holidays.

Handsome Harry Hillard reports that he and Marie are struggling along to keep ahead of old age. So are we all. Good going, Handsome, keep right on struggling. We have you signed up for the next reunion in '63. On a trip to San Antonio he saw Maude Muller and Fred Pearson.

The Badgers say that their travel has been limited this year, just one extensive business and pleasure trip through the South in the Spring, and to the American Finance Conference in Chicago in November. Bill is now President of Federal Services Finance Corp. Hunk Holbrook has gone up to Chairman of the Board. Bob Badger's little boy who was between life and death for several months has been saved by marvelous doctors. He is now out of danger and doing well. Jeanne, Bob, Martha and little Robbie live nearby in Maryland so the grandparents see them often. Anne, Fred and four children are back from Hawaii and stationed at Fort Monroe. Bill, Jr., and his family are in Woodbury, N.J., where he handles sales and service over the Northeast for the Petroleum Rectifying Company.

Pinkie and Helen Williamson were in Silver Spring with their daughter and son-in-law, the A. W. Holts. After Christmas they moved on to visit their other daughter in Wilmington. Did I say Van Voorst looked smug? Have you seen the picture of George McKnight surrounded by a group of twelve?

Today is 28 February. Tomorrow is Assembly deadline so to bring my notes up to date—I got sprung from Walter Reed, just before the last blizzard. Ethel had gone through four prolonged storms alone at the farm with the two children and no servants. Twice she was snowbound four days until the bulldozers finally dug through to her, but they had plenty of food and the farm manager was very nice about coming over twice a day to carry Kate up and down stairs. However, we did run up quite a phone bill between Walter Reed and the farm. The February storm warning did it, however. She got busy on long distance and the medicos hurriedly decided that they had done all they could for me. Ethel was still snowbound, but a dug-out neighbor sent her car for me. I drove up our farm road behind the bulldozer. Two days later we were again snowed in tight for another three days. So here I am, on two kinds of pills. The blood pressure is down to normal, but I feel like a drunken farmer on a horse.

Monk Dickson writes from Ward 15B, Valley Forge Army Hospital, Phoenixville, Pa.: "Your most amusing letter came this morning and I am replying sur le champ: I must criticize your timing. I

got myself policed and dragged once but it was in the riding hall at West Point where the terrain was favorable and when the four-legged friend kicked at young bones. I am truly sympathetic to your accident because it could not have happened to a nicer guy. It is obvious to me that you were plugged into your Univac like a French long distance call when the mechanical monster pronounced your brain mediocre. Univacs are worth a lot of money so do you suppose they are liable for slander and libel?

"I can see that you have bought much happiness to the robed Klansmen of Walter Reed. They love to peer, puzzle and pontificate. As regards time, they live on a strict diet of Lotus Flowers, but you have to admit that the price is right! My November gastrics produced six negatives, which is par for this course. If December follows suit I will become Class IIB, which will mean convalescent suit, no mask, and freedom to visit the Library and PX, and if January shows negative I will be heaved into the snowbank. Hamlet gave this ward its slogan, 'IIB or not IIB. That is the question.' Eleanor is fine and bearing up in widowhood; the neighbors have been very thoughtful and kind. I hope Ethel, too, is well comforted. Both of them have Christian husbands who are remote from sin and temptation. Let us pray! This is an excellent time for me to write what could be called 'Mein Kampf'. I have gotten to page 74 and am nearing Messina. It keeps my mind off the saloons and dancehalls of Phoenixville and I get some laughs recalling the ludicrous things that happened along the line. You will find yourself in these pages when I get to the U.K. But not as something risible. I have a cure for your hypertension, but it may go against the grain of a Virginia Gentleman. Get yourself a transfusion of colored blood, because when a darkey sits down to worry he falls asleep. Now don't give me a hard time for practising medicine without a license!"

While Ethel has been typing the above, I got Monk on the long distance telephone. He is out of Purda, and expects to go home when the daffodils bloom.

Fred Pearson writes from 110 El Rancho Way, San Antonio 9, Tex.: "Al and Ruth Miller were here recently, the first time I had seen Al since graduation. Time has been kindly to Al. He hasn't changed much in appearance. He is with a Boston Financial Consulting firm on a part time basis. We had a grand visit, swapping information about the class. We tried to see all the classmates here. From here Al headed for Abilene, Lubbock, El Paso and Phoenix. He was going to see Charley Bathurst en route to California. I hope Al writes up some of his interesting notes so that he can give a report on the classmates he ran into on this trip.

"Pinto and Henrietta Freeman were here recently for a checkup. Henrietta was fine. A little trimming was done on Pinto. He has completely recovered and looks fine. Andy March remains the same. His sister has been visiting him. They have been having a grand time. I saw Duke Dunkelberg several weeks ago. He and Lella are fine. The same for Charley and Cora Moore. Margaret Webster is

still a bit under the weather but Willie is enjoying better health than in the past. Howard Peckham at Apt. 401, 2695 Greenwich St., San Francisco, Cal., writes that they are enjoying their stay out there. They are glad they were not in New York this winter. We have had some rough weather here but nothing like the eastern and midwestern states. I had Christmas cards from many of the class and certainly enjoyed getting the cards and messages. I had a nice letter from Maud Muller who was back home in California after going all over the U.S. for his corporation. Elmer Barnes' daughter has recovered to such an extent that he and Dorothy have returned to Washington. Elmer, we all share your happiness on your daughter's recovery. Founders Day dinner will be held in Fort Sam on March 13. Gen. Westmoreland is to be the guest speaker."

A delightful letter has come just in time for deadline from Fred Sherrill (510 South Spring St., Los Angeles, 13), the silver tongued orator of "K" Co. I wish there was space to quote it all. He and Martha not only promise to be at the 45th Reunion, but also to come East and let us Easterners enjoy them even sooner. The eighteen page lecture to the San Marino Republican Club, enclosed, was a dilly. But imagine Fred wasting all that charm on the Republican ladies.

Lawrence Bixby wrote just too late for last quarter Assembly, from 5989 Suffield Road, Riverside, Cal.: "A California segment of the Class converged on Whittier to watch the Army-Navy game on TV at Melba and 'V.J.' Conrad's. It was a delightful party, with an attractive luncheon after the game. Assembled were Isabel and Chuck Gildart and Ruth and Charlie Morrison of Sierra Madre; Dot and Harrison Shaler of Pasadena; Frances and Victor Hesp of El Segundo; Juliet and A. M. Wilson of Glendora; Muriel and Wiley Carter and Ruby and Lawrence Bixby of Riverside. 'V.J.'s' old Kaydet wife, Pop Hendrick of Santa Barbara, and Clarence Mendenhall of Laguna Beach were expected but couldn't make it. During the fourth quarter, prayers to Allah for victory were rendered by Wiley Carter and Isabel Gildart, and although unavailing, it was through no fault of theirs. Muriel Carter and Victor Hesp won first and second places in the betting pool, and the consolation prize went to Melba Conrad. During luncheon 'V.J.' displayed many mementos and souvenirs, and all hands joined to sing 'Has the mail. Has the mail?—is the usual morning cry...' Plans were laid for a repeat performance next year with the Carters and Bixbys as hosts, in Riverside.

—Bryan Conrad
Sunnybrook
White Post, Virginia

1919

The news of the class for this issue must start on a sad note. Jack Madison died at his home in Marlton, New Jersey, on Monday, 12 December 1960. He was buried at Arlington on the following Friday, with members of the class acting as pall-bearers. Dolley Madison wishes

to thank them and the many friends who braved the inclement weather in tribute to Jack. She is particularly grateful to those members of the class and other friends who sent messages of comfort, flowers, and memorials to charity foundations in his memory. Dolley has sold her home in New Jersey and is now living with her daughter, Mrs. James B. Malory, RR 2, Princeton, Indiana.

On Tuesday, 17 January, Sladen Bradley passed away at Walter Reed Army Hospital after a very painful illness. After a memorial service in the Old Cadet Chapel his ashes were interred in the Cemetery at West Point on Saturday, 21 January, after a two-day postponement on account of snow. Sue Bradley and their children, Sladen, Jr. and Susie, accompanied the remains to West Point. Sladen, Jr. is a captain in the Army, now stationed at Schofield Barracks, and Susie is the wife of Lt. Col. John Stevens, an instructor at Leavenworth. At their request in lieu of flowers the class made a memorial contribution to the American Cancer Society. Your scribe was the only classmate present at the funeral because the heavy snow had paralyzed transportation.

On 3 February Catherine H. (Bobs) Price was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. George's current address is Box 648, Melrose, Florida.

Of the 32 Freedom Awards in the Washington area, one of the winners of a George Washington honor medal was Al Wedemeyer. His award resulted from an address "International Tensions in an Atomic Age"

At its dinner at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington on 26 January the National Security Industrial Association presented Nate Twining the 1960 James Forrestal Memorial Award. The Class was represented at the dinner by Al Gruenthal (a former award winner), Willie Palmer, Herb and Anabel Jones, Jack and Irene Murphy, Joe Cranston, and Kyke Allan. Maude Twining was also present and received a rising ovation upon being introduced to the 1700 members present.

Pat Echols is now representing the Shelton Davis Co., of Charlottesville, Virginia (Phone 4-1934). Pat and Nancy made a trip around the world between September and February. Nancy remained in Germany to be present at the birth of Jancy Jr.'s third child.

The Ben Byrnes have announced the marriage of their daughter Bernice Tippet to Ensign Fredric M. Trevitt, USNR, on 26 November last at the Waiiokeola Congregational Church in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Wazoo Waddell was in Washington last November for a check-up at Walter Reed. At this point a comment is due on the timing of many of the items in our class notes. Assembly goes to press about two months before it reaches the hands of its subscribers. Thus the deadline for news for the Winter issue was 1 December. This column is being written the last day of February. You can see that there has to be a considerable time lag on all news items, much as I regret it.

Reggie Post (Regis Henri Post, ex-'19) recently presented an original oil paint-

ing of his great grandfather, Maj. General Regis deTrobrind, to the State Military Museum of the New York Division of Military and Naval Affairs in the State Capitol at Albany.

A recent letter from Jitney Mickle is mailed from Rte. 2, Box 27, Fairhope, Alabama. Jitney notes that Al Morgan is apparently enjoying life and prospering in his job with Equitable Life in Mobile. He also remarks that Ed and Flip Sutherland are expecting to go through Fairhope enroute to embarkation to Turkey for a visit with their daughter and her husband this spring.

Chris Hildebrand still has his flag flying. His P.S. to a recent letter reads "I report at our VA Hospital 15 Feb. for examination (post-operative). I'm smiling; they can't cut out any more than my TONGUE and that will not stop my use of typewriter! (The old INFANTRY CREDO: You try to take one more stride and fire one more shot or use the bayonet)."

Mrs. Richard T. Bennison of 3304 Riverview Blvd, W. Bradenton, Florida, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Elizabeth Anne, to Mr. Larned S. Whitney, Jr., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Whitney of New Britain, Conn. Miss Bennison attended Stephens Junior College and was graduated from the University of Florida. She is now advisor in the Public Relations Division of the Girl Scouts Headquarters in New York City. Her fiance is President of Stanley-Humason, Inc., in New Britain. A graduate of Cornell, he was a major in the Army during WW II.

Jim Cole has been in the Veterans Hospital, Martinsburg, West Virginia, since May 1960.

Gus Broberg writes "Our classmates may be spread from one end of the country to the other, but occasionally some come even as far as California. We have seen Bill Wyman a few times this winter, while he was serving his stint as part-time consultant for Aeroneutronics and Aerojet. He spends about three months at a time, twice a year out here, and is doing a bangup job. Ethel was in San Francisco most of the time, while Bill was occupying a fancy Ford Co. apartment at the exclusive Balboa Bay Club. We all went sailing out to the islands last month.

"Last week Nick and Deborah stayed overnight with us, and as usual he was full of news and business.

"My little consultant business is perking along sufficiently to keep me out of mischief, and still allow me to maintain a respectable golf handicap. As usual I get East about two or three times a year."

Don Shingler writes from Washington: "As you may have read in the papers, Washington has really had the snow this year. Bea and I started back for Inauguration but got as far as Williamsburg, Virginia, and heard about the big snow. We, therefore, spent the night there and returned to South Carolina for another spell of visiting. At that, we got caught in the next two snow storms here. Because of the weather our usual classmate Valentines Day party is being suspended this year. I think it was smart to delay it. A few of our class joined with Hunk

ASSEMBLY

Hollbrook's class of 1918 for a stag luncheon last week at the Army and Navy Club. We only had about 16 there from the combined classes."

From Phil Whitney, Canaan, New Hampshire. "Last year had a splendid vacation in Hawaii. You may know Hawaii well,—I don't know. However, I recommend it to you highly. The Sheraton Hotel people are rapidly making a Miami Beach out of Honolulu, and their prices are high. But if you can book into the Halekulani Hotel—and that is not easy, you will be pleased with the way you are treated."

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

1920

Lieutenant General Edward T. (Molly) Williams was retired 1 March 1961 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He had commanded the Fourth U. S. Army since 1959. At a dinner meeting of the Association of the U. S. Army at Fort Sam Houston in February, General Charles L. Bolte, USA—Ret presented a certificate of appreciation from the AUSA to the retiring Fourth Army Commander. Molly and General Bolte served together at Fort Sam in 1921 and later were stationed together again in Europe. Information has not been received as to where the Williams will reside after retirement but it is presumed they will remain in San Antonio, Texas.

A few months ago, Frank Farrell was announced as Governor Nelson D. Rockefeller's new State Director of Civil Defense.

Another fine retired general of the Class of '20, Bill Crist, has successfully stood for election to a local governmental responsibility on January 3, 1961. The St. Petersburg News (Sun Coast News Section) of Florida announced Bill's election as Chairman of the Manatu Country Commission. This Commission, I understand is a group, the direction of which he will find a real challenge to his fine organizational abilities.

Leland Smith, writing from his Florida home, mentions a grand week's visit to their place by Harry and Madeline Travis during the latter part of January. Lots of fun was had by all playing bridge, rummy and looking over houses and land in the vicinity. John and Belle McNulty are again in St. Petersburg for three months, so one night the Smiths, Travis', McNultys plus Bill and Margaret Crist from Bradenton, got together for cocktails and later went to the Bath Club for delicious steak dinners.

Leland said both the Travis' were highly enthusiastic about the Florida area and may put up their New Jersey home for sale and move down there. He concluded by saying that Ruth and "Chit" Chitterling expected to visit them in March for two weeks. Chit plans to retire from GE about July first. Further, he mentioned that Bill and Lillian Bessell from West Point would visit Indian Rock Beach for two weeks in March. Bill will be the principal speaker at the Florida West Point Alumni Dinner.

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

1921 and 1922

Even though West Point has been colder and snowier this year than it was during our yearling winter, news has been coming in about Orioles, and a fine thing it is on a freezing day to get news of a classmate and to share it with the rest of them.

Joe Grant is probably out of the Veterans Hospital, Palo Alto, by now. He had been there more than fourteen months, the doctor had recommended his discharge, and he hoped to be out by Christmas. Joe feels that his health is pretty good now. Georgie has been living in Pacific Grove, between Monterey and Carmel. Cynthia is married and living in Carmel, and Nancy is with Matson Lines in San Francisco.

Janet Taylor writes from Texas that Bob's very well, looking and feeling better than at any time since his first operation a year and a half ago. One of their daughters lives in El Paso, where her PhD husband teaches at Texas Western College. Bob and Janet are happy that they like El Paso, scene of the Bob and Janet wedding in 1933. The other daughter, with her husband and two children, lives in Atlanta, which Bob and Janet plan to visit in 1961. And then to West Point in 1962 for the 40th! PD Crandell is also planning now for 1962; hope the rest of you are.

Comes confirmation now of Frank Kane's move to Florida where he is at home in Fort Lauderdale.

The eldest daughter of Johnnie RH and Edna made her debut this winter at a perfectly beautiful party in Bronxville, N. Y. Among the guests were the Branhams, the Crays, the Douglass', and the Barretts.

PD Crandell continues with his art, going sketching every week in the Hill country near San Antonio, though he finds that the large yard at his home reduces him to the status of hand-cuffed volunteer a lot of the time. He occasionally sees Hein and Ficklen, sometimes Hensey, but lately hasn't had even a glimpse of Hop Dance.

McDavid, now Deputy Commissioner of Insurance for South Carolina, was at the Navy Game last fall, and then spent a week or so on state business in New York. Yale was also in New York in December and tried to get in touch with people but was pressed for time.

The Mathewsons were up West Point way in January. Matty re-retires next June and they have been considering living in the Hudson Valley area, which would be a break for other Valley residents such as Branham and Barrett.

Pat Wardlaw writes from Texas that he retired from government service on 31 December and he and Gertrude have been travelling ever since. Their son, after successful radio station operation in Erie, Pa., has now acquired a new station in Santa Barbara, Calif., and that's one of the places the Wardlaws, Sr., visited. They saw Watson and Nelson in Florida, talked on the phone there to Spettel and in South Carolina to McDavid. Pat plans to be at West Point for the Founders Day celebration this March, then next fall or winter they'll move—destination so far undecided.

Meps Smith was in Europe in the late fall visiting her daughter. She expected to stay there through Christmas, at which time McCoy was to join them for a family reunion.

Barrett made a quick business trip to Germany, France and Spain at the end of February. At around the same time the Sadtlers visited Italy, Greece, and France, plus a few other assorted localities. Anything, perhaps, to get away from the US winter!

Some officer was talking to Tommy Taylor early in January about his father. Tommy said that up to that time Max had done about everything around the Lincoln Center but wear a hard hat. The TV news of that night added to the story. There was Max with two other gentlemen inspecting the construction work at the Center—and every one of them wearing a hard hat!

—C. J. Barrett
West Point, N.Y.

1923

OLD FRONTIERS

While most of you have probably forgotten it, you *did* put the class affairs into the hands of the Washington Group some years ago. Acting in response to that obligation and in accordance with the charter under which this responsibility was fixed, the Annual Meeting was held on 15 February at Fort Myer. As the accompanying picture shows we steeled ourselves for the occasion and then went to work.

Contrary to the trend in some circles of American life, we decided that the frontiers we were pursuing were pretty good. In consonance with this basic precept we voted that your affairs should remain in the hands of the present officers for another year; TED OSBORNE as Chairman of the Group, JOHN SALS-MAN as Secretary, JIM TORRENCE as Treasurer. Ted renewed the appointments of GUNN, KING, J.C. and ROPER to the Executive Committee.

The Treasurer reported that we had some \$1257.00 in the till. Most of it is in a savings account. The remainder is in a checking account just large enough to avoid service charges. Jim, who you may recall taught math at USMA, had done some figuring, and determined that we were reducing this fund at the rate of about \$83.00 per year. The only current income is from interest on the savings account. The outgo results from mailing the annual letter and address list and other costs of this sort and from providing a tribute when a member of the Class dies. The report was accepted with a vote of appreciation for the diligence with which Jim is performing the job of Treasurer.

COMING (?) EVENTS

While the news will probably get to you after the events, I might as well tell you what was in the wind. The March luncheon will be the annual joint meeting with USNA 1923. It takes place on the 29th of March at what used to be called the Naval Gun Factory.

The other is a mixed party of the type I reported in the last Assembly.

Annual Business Meeting

TIMBERMAN, LEE SHAFER and their wives are the committee for these affairs. They make a guesstimate as to the distance people are prepared to come for such an affair and send out poop sheets to those within that range. If you are not included but would like to be in the future, let me or them know. This party is scheduled for the latter part of April at Arlington Hall.

TAPS

JACK EVANS died suddenly on 28 December and was buried at Arlington on 30 December. Among the Classmates who attended the services at the Fort Myer Chapel were: CARNES, GALUSHA, GALLOWAY, GUNN, JOHNSON, W.G., KEHM, MAHONEY, OSBORNE, ROPER, SMITH, V. R., SALSAMAN AND TORRENCE. Jack had been teaching Physics at the Altoona Branch of Penn State University since his retirement. We all recall Jack's vigorous personality demonstrated in his lacrosse playing while we were cadets and his service in the Armored Infantry in World War II. He was doing an outstanding job as an instructor. Our Class, Penn State and the Country have lost a good man. Jack's brother, Maj. Gen. Vernon Evans, 1915, has expressed appreciation of the tribute paid to Jack by the Class. Margaret, Jack's wife, sent the following note:

"To the Class of 1923,

"Thank you for the beautiful red roses you sent to Jack. I feel they represented much love and sympathy from ones whom Jack loved and respected.

"Unfortunately, for me, I did not have many years as a 'member' of this wonderful Class—but it was long enough to make me feel that it is my Class too!

"Again, Thank you dear Class of 1923."

Margaret is for the present remaining at the address given in the last Class roster.

A letter from DAVE STONE, contained the sad news that his wife Helen had died on the 30th of January and was buried in the Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery at Point Loma, California. Dave said that Helen had contracted a severe cold and that the ensuing congestion in her lungs had been too much for her heart. Dave's address: 3966 Bob Street, San Diego 10, Cal.

SMALL WORLD DEPARTMENT

Late in January I took part in a panel discussion before the Overseas Mission Society in Philadelphia. The reporter who interviewed me after the discussion had been a corporal in DAVE FOWLER'S outfit during World War II. He was particularly interested in the fact that Dave has become a lay associate to the minister of Community Church, Congregational, at Corona del Mar, California. The minister of this church was one of the chaplains in the 87th Mountain Infantry, which Dave commanded during World War II. Those of you who had his Christmas letter will recall that Dave moved to California from Iowa in June of last year.

In order to make sure that there would be at least one person in the audience at Philadelphia, I had warned SCHEETZ in advance. I had a chance to have a sketchy supper with him just before I



Fortifying Ourselves for the Problems of the Annual Business Meeting. Front Row: Roper, O'Reilly, King, B. R., Mahoney, Biddle, Guevara, Bromley, Torrence, Timberman. Second row: Galloway, Edwards, Gunn, Sweeney, King, J. C., Johnson, W. G., Osborne, Kehm.

left for home. Harry keeps in good touch with Classmates in the Philadelphia area. He said that SEARS had just become a grandfather for the third time, and that BIRNEY MORSE seems to have some sort of a record in this department since he has been a granddad thirteen times!

STOUT FELLOW!

I can only report one happy note on STU BECKLEY. He continues to face a most discouraging condition with a fortitude and spirit that can be described only by the term, "super human." The lateral sclerosis has begun to affect his breathing and thus make practically everything more difficult for him. The old fight is still there. Meta asked me to express their thanks for the many letters sent to Stu and to tell you that she is in the process of answering them but that this will take some time. She says that these letters are particularly helpful to Stu. You may address your letter either to the Veterans Hospital at Martinsburg, West Virginia or to their home: 2330 N. Vermont Street, Arlington 7, Virginia.

PROUD MOMENT

Among the proudest moments of my tour in Ireland were the occasions when I was "famous" because I was the father of our children, Richard and Mary. LARRY BARROLL just sent me a note and picture to illustrate that he has been so rewarded. It seems that his son KENNETH C. is an unofficial expert on motors, a subject he is now studying at the Stockholm Technical Institute—in Swedish!

Most of you will recall that Larry's father graduated in 1889 and Larry's brother in 1917. Kenny is, therefore, really an ARMY BRAT.

IT AIN'T NECESSARILY SO!

I'm sure many of you have been impressed by all the noise about teacher shortages. Many of you may be toying with the idea of getting into the game. Before you get too excited you better consider what RAY MILTON, one of our "hivier" Classmates has to say on the subject:

"Having these facts of life given to me rather directly and quickly I thought I would look for a position as a teacher, either in high school or in college. Radio and television advertising, and other ad-

vertising and magazine articles carried on at some length about the shortage of teachers, making a strong point of persons not being able to go to school in just a few years hence unless there were great additions to teaching staffs. Shortage or no, these people have rules too. In the places I solicited for a position teaching in high school, a certificate was required establishing that a specific number of courses in education had been covered. This would require one or two years of academic work but not with any assurance of a position.

"And the colleges have rules too, as you come to find out. At least one degree beyond a Bachelor's Degree is the initial requirement on the Union Card, though a second would serve even better. So from the fall of 1958 to June, of 1960, I was a full-time student at American University in the Graduate School of Business."

He acquired an MBA and completed the course requirements for his PhD. Fifty-two applications and 41 answers later he started making personal calls on the schools to which he had written. He concludes, "In the area of teaching Business Administration there is, at this time, no shortage of teaching personnel.

In a note received just as I forwarded this script Ray tells me he will return here to Washington to work on his PhD! Meanwhile he can be reached at 1304 Main St., Crete, Illinois.

MISCELLANY

The OPIE NEWMANS are on an extended tour in the United States.

NAT LANCASTER is still here in Virginia seeing about making a permanent home. In his Foreign Service career Nat served in eleven different posts abroad. He says he is NOT going to write his memoirs!

MARK PESEK is Subdivision Engineer (Mark was a Doughboy!) for the City of Los Altos, some thirty-five miles south of San Francisco. His daughter Sheila has provided two grandchildren. His son, John II. is a junior at Arizona State.

GOB ADKINS and Jane are in New Orleans where his law business keeps him busy. Their two youngest children are in high school, and son Tom is a student at LSU. The other four are married and scattered. They have produced a total of 9 grandchildren as of last count.

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TOM MADDOCKS had a rather extended tour with the medics but reports that he is in good shape. Only the record snows and bad weather have kept him from showing up at our luncheons here.

METZ SEEBACH has entered Walter Reed Hospital for an operation. He has been teaching math, engineering and mechanical drawing at the Bullis School here.

JOHN STODTER will be filling in for Metz during the time he is away.

GIL HAYDEN has left New Jersey for his new mailing address: 669 27th Street, Manhattan Beach, California.

JIM CARROLL is still busy with the Pennsylvania National Guard at Anneville.

EARLY spent a short time in Walter Reed recently having a broken arm set.

FRY is kept busier than a paper-hanger setting up the reenactment of the First Battle of Bull Run—Manassas to you guys from the Deep South, Suh! Jim is Executive Director of the First Manassas Corporation, a non-profit organization formed by a group of public-spirited citizens for the specific purpose of producing this commemorative event. I am on the staff with him.

LUEDER writes from Mexico that he has rented a place and finds that there are many USMA college graduates in the area. His place looks big so don't hesitate to give him a call if you go "down Mexico way." His address: 453 Madero Street, Chapala Jalisco, Mexico.

Recently we have become aware only after they were about ready to go home, that Classmates had broken into Walter Reed. We have been unable to set up a routine plan for learning when one of us takes up residence there. WENDEL JOHNSON has consented to be Vice-President-in-Charge of sick, lame, and lazy. He will make a periodic check, but he will need your help. Will you, therefore, give him a call if you ever make a visit to that popular institution? Perhaps this is a task you wives ought to take up. Inform Wendel or any of the Class organization here when, and if, that old goat of yours sets out for Woo Doo, post-graduate school for Woo Po (perish the term!).

—Harold D. Kehm
1421 Jefferson Street
Arlington 5, Virginia

The members of the Class extend their deepest sympathy to: Jim Hulley upon the death of Isabelle in December after a long illness; Peyton McLamb upon the loss of his brother Nathan, Class of 1927, who died in San Francisco in December; George Pope whose father died in Chicago last January; Ramona Schmidt upon the death of Grayson in his sleep at their home in Cupertino, California, on 30 January; Lucy Smithers and family upon the sudden and unexpected death of Sam on last Christmas Eve; and Dick Stephens whose father died in Chicago last November.

In the Winter issue we reported upon the death of Jack Murtaugh. We have since learned that shock due to the death of his wife, Ann, just a few days before brought on the coughing spell which caused the hemorrhage.

We are happy to report that; Bob Cullen has been discharged from the hospital after a serious bout with pneumonia; Margie Graling is back home after two operations to further repair damage to her leg injured in an accident over a year ago; Maude Ives is doing well after a long stay in the hospital; Bill Liebel is recuperating at home after having become seriously ill and evacuated by air from Europe to Brooke Hospital in Fort Sam Houston; and Jean Scott has been removed from the critical list after surgery coupled with a heart attack.

The best wishes of all the Classmates are extended to Frank and Joe Kidwell. We sincerely hope that Frank who is seriously ill will respond to treatment.

Two weddings and two engagements have been reported. Captain Kenneth R. Bailey, son of Mrs. Adelaide C. and the late K. R. Bailey, was married to Gloria Laurence Blouin, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs. F. J. Blouin on 28 January. We were in error in reporting the engagement of Peggy Jane, daughter of Ralph and Alice Kock, to Lt Waldon R. Cotton. Peggy and Waldon were married in February and are now at McGuire AFB in New Jersey. Em and Eleanor Itschner have announced the engagement of their daughter, Carol Vine, to First Classman Leonard A. Hamilton, USNA. A June wedding is planned. Mr. John L. Pence, son of George and Ruth Pence,

has become engaged to Patricia Ann Ruppen. John, a Master in Chemical Engineering and a Lieutenant in the Army Reserve will go on active duty in February.

John and Muriel Elmore report the arrival of their grandson. John Elmore Spears, born to daughter Jane in Mainz, Germany, on 18 January. Gene and Helena Ely are the proud grandparents of their second granddaughter, Caroline Noel, born to their daughter-in-law Cynthia in Paris on Christmas night. John and Mae Hincke became grandparents for the fourth time when Sandra Kane Hincke was born at Fort Benning in November. The latest Class Baby as announced by Dave and Diana Page is Susan Lunt Page, their third child, born 19 December.

Bob and Georgia Cameron spent two and one half months touring Europe last summer. The highlight of the trip was their visit with their son, Robert Scott, a Vice Consul in Milan. Tau Hung Chang has been in Washington recently. He has been entertained by several Classmates who have found him looking very well and the accounts of his experiences since graduation most interesting. Vic and Martha Conrad now live in Los Altos, California. Vic is working with Vanau Associates, an electronics firm, with headquarters in Palo Alto. Gene Ely has transferred from RCA to Analytic Services of Arlington, Virginia. George Finnegan, now senior partner of his law firm in New York City, is a co-inventor of an automobile-driver training and teaching apparatus called the "Drivo-Trainer". It has been sponsored by the Aetna Insurance Company and is used widely in high schools and colleges throughout the country.

Carrol and Dorothy Griffin have gone to Seoul, Korea, where Carrol will be working for the International Cooperation Administration. Bill Halligan's Hallicrafters in 1960 ranked number 55 on the list of 500 Military Prime Contractors with \$7,289,000.00 in net value of awards for experimental, developmental, test and research work. Eric Kuniholm is the Director of the Political Affairs Division of the American Committee for Liberation at 1657 Broadway.

Bob and Sara McBride are reported to be in excellent health. Bob thrives on the excellent job he is doing on the municipal planning side of the city government in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Peyton and Esther McLamb have moved into their new home, recently completed, in Wyckoff, New Jersey. Otto Nelson has stepped down as Executive Director of Construction of the Lincoln Center in New York but remains connected with the project as a consultant. Deck Reynolds treated the Washington luncheon group to champagne at a recent luncheon on the occasion of the selection of his son, Roy, to be Lieutenant Commander, US Navy. Doug and Kitty Smith finally found the yacht they had been looking for in Jacksonville, Florida. They purchased the almost new craft owned by Robert Montgomery and have christened it the Kitty A., III. They sailed for their headquarters at Dinner Key Marina in Miami about 1 March. Upon the acquisition of a Captain they will cruise in Florida waters and then depart for the Bahamas.

Take Seats!



Left to right: Gunn, O'Reilly, Guevara, King, B. R., Edwards, Timberman, Torrence, Sweany, Osborne, Kehm, King, J. C., Biddle, Bromley, Roper, Galloway, Mahoney, Johnson.

Marcus and Agnes Stokes recently returned to San Antonio after a wonderful vacation in Florida. Marcus found that in his absence the Alamo Chapter had settled the tie vote for the new president. The result of course, Marcus is back on the job. We congratulate you upon the good work you have done Marcus. Merrow Sorley has been located. He has accepted a position on the faculty, teaching physics, at the Valley Forge Military Academy. Merrow still follows in his fathers footsteps. Colonel Lewis taught German at Valley Forge from 1943 to 1949.

Honors have been bestowed upon and promotions given to several of the Bulls to whom we extend congratulations. Duke Arnold received the National Distinguished Service Citation from the Reserve Officers Association. Since his retirement Duke has become a partner of the Chicago brokerage firm of Betts, Borland & Company. Em Cummings has assumed command of the Fifth U.S. Army with headquarters in Chicago. Dave Erskine has been elected a vice president of the Federal Services Finance Corporation in Washington, D.C. In his new capacity he will head the personnel and public relations department. Bob Harper has been designated "Mr. South Texas" for 1961 for the outstanding civic and military service he has rendered to the area. Kess Kessinger has been elected vice president of the Parker Pen Co. As the South American area manager, he is responsible for all of Parker's subsidiary and licensee interests on that continent. Frank Lazarus has been appointed by Mayor Wagner as Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Real Estate of the City of New York. Emil Lenzner is to be installed as a fellow of the Tucson section, Institute of Radio Engineers.

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

1925

The winter has been so bad at West Point that nothing has come through the ice barrier, not even a classmate. Hence, these notes will consist only of local news.

It happens that the local news this time is a major item—namely, the fact that our honorary classmate, RUSSELL ALSPACH, became Head of the Department of English here on 31 January 1961, succeeding Colonel George Stephens who retired on that date.

Russ Alspach, you will recall, was adopted as Honorary Classmate in 1950 during our 25th reunion. A native of Philadelphia, he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1924, and it was from the same University that he earned his M.A. and Ph.D. After teaching English at Penn for 17 years, he served as an officer in the Navy during the war, being a Lieutenant Commander at the time of his return to civilian life in 1946. He became Professor of English at USMA in 1947, serving as Deputy Head of that Department until the retirement of George Stephens in January of this year.

As new Head of the English Department, Russ brings distinction to that position and to the Military Academy. His

prominence in literary circles is a proper source of pride to both Penn U and USMA, as well as to his adopted classmates of 1925. Among Russ' major literary accomplishments, the most recent is of more than national prominence, namely the VARIORUM EDITION OF THE POEMS OF W.B. YEATS, edited jointly by Peter Allt (late of Trinity College, Dublin) and Russell K. Alspach, United States Military Academy. The collaboration between Allt and Alspach, beginning in 1947, continued until 1954 when Allt died as the result of an accident. Thereafter, Alspach continued the project until the book was published by The MacMillan Company in 1956.

This book received wide acclaim by critical reviewers as a work of important and constructive scholarship, far more helpful to an understanding of Yeats' poems as they had previously appeared in forms leading to the definitive editions of 1949 and 1956. The Allt-Alspach edition includes other poems by Yeats' which had appeared sporadically in separate books or periodicals. The New York Times Book Review of December 22, 1957, observed that Yeats' future reputation is fortunate in having Allt and Alspach as the editors of this edition.

Speaking for all classmates, I congratulate Russ on his appointment as Head of the English Department here. This makes three representatives of 1925 who now head USMA Departments, Mike, Russ and the undersigned.

Best regards to all.

—Nick Nicholas

1926

Time marches on. Recently retired were George Hickman, Chuck Canham and Harry Johnson. George was the Army Judge Advocate General the last four years, Chuck commanded the 11th Army Corps in St. Louis and Johnny was Deputy Chief of Staff for Combat Developments, Continental Army Command. The latter is joining the Lockheed Company. No details on the other gents.

We had a couple of re-retirements, too. Trooper Doyle was recalled to active duty in July 1959 to direct a comprehensive study of national transportation policy for the Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Having gotten the Committee squared away he resumed, on 31 January, his association with Transportation Consultants, Inc. of Washington, D. C. Jimmy Davidson has been on active duty Hq. CINPAC in Hawaii and has reverted to retired status.

The sad news has been received of the death of two of our classmates. Maggie McGeehan died at Walter Reed Hospital of cancer on the 18th of October after an illness of two years. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Ida and daughter Anne. Paul Werner, whose cheery letter was quoted in the last ASSEMBLY, died suddenly on December 12th. He was buried near his home in Garden City, Long Island. Paul is survived by his widow, three daughters, and four grandchildren. Mrs. Werner wrote the Class a letter of appreciation for flowers at the funeral and added, "West Point was always a real part of Paul."

Lew Griffing is making tracks back to his first love—Fort Sill. In April he takes command of the Army Artillery and Missile Center.

Bill Creasy invited the twenty one classmates in the New York City area to be his guests at the West Point Society February luncheon, but in Bill's words it was somewhat of a flop. (1) Only three showed up (Bo Riggs, Hank Ross, and Tom White); (2) It was at the time of one of New York's big snowstorms and all private cars were barred from city streets; (3) A couple of days before the luncheon Bill slipped on some ice and broke a kneecap which put him in Governors Island Hospital for a few days. However, Bill is not discouraged and he continues to work on the general plan of the Society's President (Babe Bryan '22), i.e., get more people to turn out for more functions.

Received a cheery note from Bob Ross and a snapshot of son Bill, a fine looking lad age 7, who the family hopes will be a member of USMA '76. Bob is even thinking there should be a class cup for the last class son to graduate. Well anyhow it would be interesting if 1976 had two generations of '26 for surely by then we should have some grandsons tramping over the Plain. Our current efforts are not so good. When Bill Heiberg graduates this June we shall be without representation in the Corps.

Vald Heiberg has asked that all classmates be urged to send him their final plans for June Week (along with the appropriate cash) if they have not already done so. Please write him if you need more information about our 35th reunion.

—Roy Herte
1 Jean Court
Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y.

1927

As a more informative followup to the brief announcement in the Winter ASSEMBLY, the Columnist may now add that Stan Meloy and Mrs. Therese Fischer Graves were married at Stuttgart on Wednesday, 16 November 1960. They are now in Korea, where Stan is assistant commander to General Magruder.

By kindness of the Woody Burgesses, current data on the Grovers has reached the copy desk. Lin reports that Orrin, having had "enough of being 'retired retired,'" has taken "a job with a local Consultant Engineering firm and he thoroughly enjoys it. . . . He belongs to the local Rotary, and the Knights of Columbus, is very active in Boy Scouts and serves on several local civic boards." The Grovers have a "big boy" and three girls, aged 10, 7, and 4. The latter, of course, add brightness to the household "with bonnets and bows and lots of petticoats." The Florida address is Box 331, Melbourne Beach.

Another long-time Floridan, Hal Jordan, of 401 South Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, sent in a timely account. He brings us up to date thus:

"Since retiring I have spent time gaining theoretical and practical knowledge concerning the real estate game, since that is one game in which I have been interested for a number of years, and having been skinned a time or two by these civilians,

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A.V.P. Retirement

I have learned something about it. I have not been active in it for the past two years except for the sale of my own property. I have always planned on hanging out my own real estate shingle but so far the field appears too crowded."

Hal added that he had passed up a job with Pan American (missiles), but without regret. His interesting letter continued;

"Last summer after the marriage of my daughter Gladys, Mona, and Susan (the sweet little pre-kindergarten daughter), and I packed up the Chevrolet and took off to Mexico for a six-weeks 'rest.' We got back . . . for Hurricane Donna and then toured up to middle Tennessee to see how well my birthplace had survived my departure, stopping with relatives all the way there and back. In Columbus, Ga., we drank with George and Linda Bender and Nellie Fooks and wife. . . . Now and then I see Harry and Helen McKinney . . . the Grovers from down around Melbourne Beach and correspond with Jack Burdge up around Ocala. . . . Son Howell (Hal) Jr., is a Ranger instructor: from his description he is a swamp rat."

As is appropriate for a real-estate salesman, Hal closed his letter with a selling description of the view of "the surf beating upon the prettiest and widest beach in the world"—and here we icebound Northerners have this winter looked too frequently upon the deepest and heaviest snows of a century.

Our dependable Paul Berrigan, the Rambler of San Francisco, in a summary of West Coast events, commented on the recent death of our classmate Nathan McLamb "in his sleep on Christmas night." As reported previously, Nathan had been injured severely by a hit-and-run driver some months ago; without doubt that injury contributed to his death. The Long Grey Line is lengthened by one more stalwart.

For a lighter touch, Paul inclosed a news clipping concerning press attention to a party given by the Berrigans. It seems that two guests, elderly dears, "just trying to get home to San Anselmo," had driving difficulties observed by the MP's. As the *Examiner's* lead read:

"Two little ladies from San Anselmo made the Federal bucket early yesterday on charges of having belted the sherry a bit too hard at a big party in the Presidio Officers Club."

More in this tone followed, with eventual credit given Paul for springing the ladies (now guests of the City jail) "in the wee hours on a total of \$350 bail." The best advice offered Paul by chuckling friends in subsequent letters was to add the Army and Post Provost Marshals to future guest lists, since high Army command and the San Francisco Chief of Police, mingling at the party cited above, had been of "no help."

Paul reported that Bert and Caroline Holtzworth had assembled the Bay Area group for a West Point Christmas Dance. The turnout included, Douglas, Peirce, Parsell, Conrad Jennings, and the Berrigans.

The *McKinney Annual Report* for 1960, in fourteen rhyming quatrains, is at hand. Although a poetic masterpiece of feeling and content, it is unfortunately too long for inclusion herein. However, the first

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Left to right: Spike Hefley, A. V. P. Anderson, Betty Anderson, Sally Anderson, Sam Anderson, Dottie McLennan and Stu McLennan.

couplet of the last four-liner is one to which we can all subscribe:

"If days were long and miles were short,
how wonderful 'twould be.

We'd have more time to spend with
friends we'd like so much to see."

It was inferred that this had been an especially fine year for Mac and Helen, for their association with and investment in the JOA Paper Company paid off splendidly when Scott Paper of Kleenex and other fabric fame bought the company. Of course, Mac was budged over and out of VP job, but any small pain therefrom was assuaged (the undersigned is confident) by the aforementioned remuneration, the striking of a paper jackpot.

John Barton Bell, ex-'27, known more familiarly to many in the class as BJ, long-time president of The Title Insurance Company, Boise, Idaho, sent in his usually cherry letter with a copy of his President's Report for 1960. Aside from the clear picture that it undoubtedly gives the investors, this idle reader has always admired JB's clear, concrete, interesting, and readable style exhibited in the report, a characteristic not always associated with this type of writing.

Bert Holtzworth, Chief of Staff of Sixth Army, sent in clippings on *Kyster Hall*, previously reported, including a very attractive picture of proudly serious Mary at the dedication. Again we express the pride of the class in Olaf's being so honored in the naming of the important Nike control center at Fort MacArthur.

Judging from a by-line which reached this composing room, Ray and Mary Bell are doing much for "US-Brazilian Friendship," with Mary especially cited at length for her own "Operation Friendship" for the wives of the Army Element of the JBUSMC, which is "forging links between the two countries, which will redound to the benefit of the two lands."

Ere this ASSEMBLY comes from the press the Washington Area's Jimmy and Marion Collins, traveling lightly with four heavy stars, will have established themselves again on Oahu, but this time at Fort Shafter, where Jimmy has replaced I. D. White at CG. This Area regrets

their departure but rejoices in their assignment. Aloha nui nui!

As part of your summer planning, please include a resolution to send to the address below a brief report of doings, no matter what, as soon as you can, but certainly by August. I should especially welcome a line or two from many of you in the several states and foreign stations in time for me to throw together a really full column for the Fall ASSEMBLY. Please contribute. In the meantime, a pleasant summer!

—Jerry Lillard
4543 North 40th Street
Arlington 7, Virginia

1928

News of the death of BOB Easton on 19 November, 1960, was received too late for inclusion in the winter issue. BOB died at the U.S.A.H. Maxwell AFB and was buried in Arlington, 25 November 1960. The class extends deepest sympathy to Carolyn.

Our sympathy also goes to the Lane family for the loss of their son, Lieutenant Michael Lane, Class of 1960, whose accidental death occurred during ranger training. Jean and TOMMY, accompanied by their daughter, Julia, and son, Thomas, attended the funeral services held at West Point on 22 December, 1960.

John Farra reports the wedding of their daughter, Frances, to Lt. J. G. Howard E. Mayfield, U. S. Navy. Lakehurst, N. J. The ceremony took place at Jenkintown, Pa., 3 December, 1960. Among those present in addition to John and Nancy, were WEB and Virginia Anderson. John also reported that BILL and MARGE Caldwell are in Orlando, Florida, where BILL is holding down a teaching job after studying at Temple University.

Thanks to BOZO McKee, Class of 1929, information was received pertaining to the retirement ceremonies at Hq. A.M.C., Wright-Patterson AFB on 25 November, 1960, of A. V. P. Anderson who was awarded the DSM by SAM Anderson. AVP is building a home at Shalimar, near Elgin AFB.

TOMMY Van Natta has returned from Europe for assignment to CONARC, Ft. Monroe. DAVE Traub, Army Comptroller,

lectured to the 1st Class USMA on 12 December on "The Realities of Budgeting." BETTY and PETE Calyer departed Cornwall on 7 January amid snow and ice for a sojourn in the vicinity of St. Petersburg, Florida. They expect to return about 1 April. Seen at the American Ordnance Association Meeting 7 December, were JACK Hinrichs, STU McLennan, DOUG Ludlam, George Mundy, SAM Anderson, HANK Everest and SUGAR Staley, the latter attending the American Manufacturers Association meeting. Paul Gavan is now in Washington, D. C., with the Military District. Ralph and Ruth Butchers visited USMA on 9 February. Ralph was making first official visit to West Point as Provost Marshal General. TOM Wells reports that he is kept busy with his job with "Free Europe Committee, Inc.," but finds time to contact classmates in the New York area seeking a large turnout for the Annual West Point Dinner in New York and the West Point Luncheon held on 8 February where BILL Potter, who is now Executive V. P. of the World's Fair, was the principal speaker. A recent arrival at West Point is Bryant Boatner's daughter, wife of Capt. St. Clair Streett (Class of '49) assigned to Post Engineers, USMA.

—John D. Billingsley
West Point, New York

1929

A note from Lefty Mace incloses the information that the two grown sons of Smo Smothers, who died as a Jap prisoner-of-war in '45, were doing a fine job playing string musical instruments on a TV show one night in January. George Reilly sends his wife's, Kayo's, note of appreciation for the class' sympathy on Pee Wee's death. We regret the loss of another classmate, Bill Talbot, who has been living in Huntsville, Ala., as a representative of the Chrysler Corp.

The Military Academy has passed another annual inspection under the leadership of Deputy Inspector General of the Army, Dave Buchanan, who retains his kindly manner and comments that he hopes he does not have to write officially to too many of his classmates on active duty. Slim Vittrup is adding another star to become Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel. There is a rumor that Paul Harkins has found Hawaii so pleasant that he and Betty are talking about retiring there as and when—we hope not soon. John Hammond, writing from 7730 No. Ninth Ave., Phoenix, recommends his location for those looking for gracious living and even mentions a "retirement community right around a golf course", plus a community stamp shop, back yard swimming pools, and, believe it or not, a place to use pleasure boats. He reports that Pearl Robey is retired and lives in Tucson and that Whitside Miller, now located in Calif., has been visiting in his vicinity.

George Reilly, busy collecting for the class 30-year book reports that he has heard from Jake Reynolds, that Sam Silver is Head of the Chrysler field office at Wiesbaden and that Don Stevning and Dick (Babb) Scott are living in Redlands, Calif. Apparently some classmates have written him in puzzlement about "class

dues." He asks that I note that the class has not thus far had any "class dues". We have made some periodic requests for funds from the people in the vicinity of Washington to pay for flowers. The cards on these flowers have always read as from the Class of '29, their wives and widows.

Don Zimmerman writes from Mercer Island of the state of Washington that he has seen the Sladens and that he needs a new Register of Graduates since a fire burned his copy in his office of the Boeing Aero Space Division. Warm jobs, some of our classmates hold in retirement. There is indirect information that P. K. Morrill is enrolling in the Stetson University College of Law in St. Petersburg, Fla. Apparently the interest of the Class of '29 in higher education continues.

The list of the class in the Washington area shows that, in addition to Lefty Mace, Major Generals Carns, Calloway and Lynde have arrived to work on the Washington scene and that Ed Conley has also moved into the area. Bat Carns has taken over Paul Caraway's job in the Joint Staff.

Most of the class will have noted that Jim Gavin is now duly crowned as Ambassador to France and some may have even seen him on TV, incidentally demonstrating that he has either retained a bit of West Point French or has been brushing up on the language.

Under the heading of the administrative paragraph we report that Jupe Lindsey is now constitutionally crowned as class Vice President, thereby giving more formal status to the great help he has been through the years to the writer of these notes and certainly to many other members of the class. This is the point to urge classmates who have not already signed up for the 30-year book to come forward and give a hand to the hard-working people who have this project already under way. Whereas about 200 class members voted in the recent election only about half that number have yet sent off a check for \$15.00 to George Reilly, 509 Tyler Place, Alexandria, Va. Our Washington contingent according to Jupe is taking positive action toward having a Class of '29 command post there with some seven suggested missions: self-perpetuating organization, publication of the 30-year book by next June, assisting in hospital and cemetery situations, preparation of the quarterly classnotes, handling of reunions, setting up some kind of annual dues, and establishment of one class fund (there being now one in Washington for the 30-year book and one since 1929 in the Highland Falls bank under the custody of the classmate who happens to be at West Point).

Bill Thompson, who is without peer as a practitioner of the art of the use of the English language with unity, coherence, and emphasis, is willing to become the architect of the notes for ASSEMBLY which I have been writing for ten years and for which John Phillips wrote for the preceding four years. Your reporter is happy to pass the task of a decade to Bill. Many thanks to you who have made these notes possible by your contributions and, more important, a plea to give Bill all the help you can in collecting class news.

—Abe Lincoln
West Point, N.Y.

Dear Gang:

The address list I sent out in early February is a sterling example of the fallibility of human endeavor. But then, I knew it would be, so any chortling over its deficiencies is wasted chums. A wise senior once said to me that if you wait for the perfect solution you never get a solution at all; by the time I'd finished typing the draft of that list some character had changed his mind—or had it changed for him—as to choice of abode and bingo! there went Perfection.

On the naive assumption that you each have your list right at hand let me give you the latest changes I have, without apology and with sincere thanks to those helpful souls who have contributed newer and better information.

On the "Active Army" list: Chris CLARKE is now Chief of Staff, CENTAG, NATO, APO 403, New York and Sid WOOTEN is CG, USATC, Fort Dix, New Jersey.

On the "Active Air Force" list, drop George SCHLATTER, who retired last June and forgot to tell me (or Air Force Personnel either, apparently). If it hadn't been for Mollie ODOM I wouldn't have known of it. Anyhow, Slats is now living at 106 Noble Street, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, right across the street from Hank ROYALL. And I have just gotten word from Hutch HUTCHINSON that he retired at the end of February and will live at 7241 South Palm Avenue, Highland, California.

On the "Retired" list: Fritz AMMERMAN at 3 Tyler Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland; Eli STEVENS at 2800 Quebec Street, NW, Washington 8, D.C.; and Hubert LEWIS at 3803 Bridle Path, Marshall, Texas.

Thanks to the latter, I also have an addition to the "Former Cadet" list: Colonel George F. ROGERS, who was integrated into the Regular Army and is now at 20053 Wallingford Avenue, Seattle 33, Washington.

In the "Civilian Life" list, Red BARROW appears to have deserted the cold clime of Old Chatam and taken up his abode at 708 48th Avenue North, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. After what we've been through in the Washington area this winter I don't blame him for moving south! Incidentally, my letter to Marvin JOHNSON at the Tallahassee address was returned with a notation of "Moved. Left no address." I guess we'll just have to scratch that one unless someone can turn up his new location for me.

Well, so much for the first appendix of errata. I'll be filling in with other corrections as I get them. And may I again make my plaintive plea that all to whom these presents may come could make it more fun for everybody by remembering to let me know when you change address.

It is always sad to remark on the passing of a friend. So it is a double sadness to have to report that this winter has taken two more of our classmates from us. On the second of January Kurt LANDON died of leukemia, from which he had suffered for quite a long time. And only nine days later Van SAWIN died at Letterman General Hospital of a heart ailment. There's little we can say for those they

leave behind, except perhaps to suggest that they remember what fine men Kurt and Van were and how much they contributed to their profession and to the luster of our Class reputation.

We appear to have only one son graduating this year, Phillips W. SMITH, Jr. I have ordered the usual silver plate as the Class gift to him and am going to try to arrange that it be presented by his father—assuming that the latter can tear himself away from “big business” long enough to perform the ceremony.

Not much else to report this trip. Our local (Washington) contingent, which numbers about forty all told, is giving itself a dinner-dance at Fort McNair on 11 March, when we can have a chance to swap gossip and compare diets and—who knows?—perhaps even dance a little! “Get out the liniment, Ma; I’ll need it in the morning.”

Good hunting and warm regards to all hands.

—Sandy Stone
2 Quincy St.
Chevy Chase 15, Md.

1931

I must say the response to the request for news has not forced your scribe to hire any additional help, but class luncheons, telephone calls, and perusal of the service journals have resulted in some news. The luncheons have a turnout of around twenty classmates, more might attend if it weren't for Steve Hammer's stories. My apologies to Bert Muentner whose letter arrived right at the deadline. I will quote pertinent extracts at the end of the column.

First the 30th reunion. Present score is 78 coming, 55 with wives and assorted children, 77 definite noes and a few question marks. Colonel John Welch, our honorary classmate, has indicated he will attend. Paul Mayo, Warren Hoover and I visited West Point to firm up the details with Curly Wilson and a schedule of events has been mailed to all involved. The response to the dunning letters has almost balanced Paul's budget and Grace is duly grateful.

Retirements continue with: Pete Schmick, Gordon Cusack, Benny Krueger and Charlie Raymond in January and Jack Leary and Ockie Krueger in February. Ockie is returning to the sporting life with the Green Bay Packers pro football team. Line up for your tickets early before Ockie has his first collision with some of those 300 pound line backers.

Curt Herrick, Tom Stayton and Merv Magee have been nominated for or have received their second star. Curt is moving to XI Corps at St. Louis. Trickie Troxel, Bill Cassidy, Gus Schomburg, Charlie Duff, Earle Cook, Hugh Harris, Van Bond and Johnny Ruggles are on the list for making that 2d star permanent as is Wendell Bowman. Johnny Davis had his star glued on and is looking for a new job, and Frank Corbin has had his star made legal.

With all the talk about missile gaps, its reassuring to see that our air defense is in capable hands. Bob Hackett is at Fort Totten (just returned from a trip to Thule. He went there to get away from the New York snow), Walt Ellis is at Kansas City,

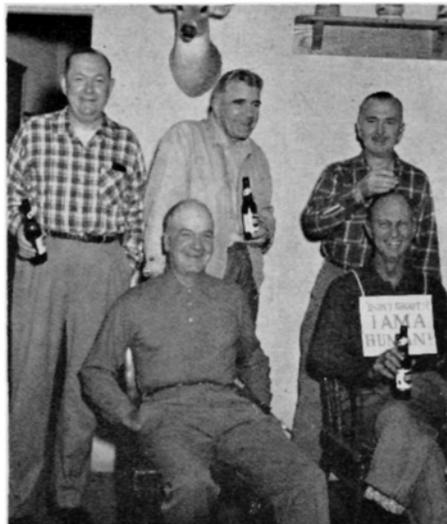
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and Merv Magee is at McChord Field. Pat Carter is now at Fort Bliss supplying the men and training and Bob Lee and Mickey Moore furnish the air cover as Commander and Deputy Commander respectively of CONAD.

Congratulations are in order for Ernie Easterbrook who has been honored with the presentation of the Grover E. Bell award for 1960 for outstanding achievement in the field of rotary wing development. That's one member of our class whose spinning in circles has paid off.

Photogenic Gus Schomburg had his picture in the Army Times when Gus Jr. graduated from missile school and became aide to his old man. (Pure nepotism) Bill Train looked younger than and outshone all his battle group commanders gathered for a picture at Fort Lewis. C. squared Smith is moving from Paris to 6th Army, preparatory to retirement probably.

I presume you all have already heard that we of '31 are going first class these days. The Army has the upper Decker but we have the lower Decker. I under-



Some of the Texas delegation on a “hunting trip” (Oh?) Muentner, Gordon, Mooney, Cusack, Truly.

stand someone called Ted for a legal opinion and Ted said he would be glad to give one if he knew which side that someone was on. Jim Corbett finally ran out his string on the JCS and is supposed to be working for me, but hasn't shown up yet. Sam Smellows was glimpsed in the Pentagon in late January but he disappeared with the speed of one of Don Yates' missiles.

In my last notes I gave the names of the class sons graduating from USMA this June but inadvertently omitted Ned Parker's boy David and Pas Passarella's boy Anthony who are graduating from USNA in June. So far as I know we have no sons completing USAFA this year.

The class still maintains its reputation for volunteering. Maggie Weber volunteered to be a member of the Washington entertainment committee, Chet Young volunteered as chairman and yours truly volunteered to be class President for the duration of Ockie Kreuger's term. Ockie should be made ticket manager with his new outfit. He'd have no trouble getting volunteers to buy season books. Marv Coyle also volunteered to be Class rep-

resentative and a Vice President of the Alumni Association.

For the younger set, Bob Quackenbush Jr. has become aide to General Oakes in Germany and Charlie Raymond's boy, Charlie III, has become engaged.

Pertinent excerpts from Bert Muentner's letter follow with impertinent editorial comment: “Quite a few of the Class of '31 have settled here in the San Antonio area; the majority of whom have retired. Skeldon is teaching Mathematics in one of our local high schools and Olson is Professor of Mathematics at San Antonio College. (P. Echols is probably turning over in his grave) Al Greene is Professor of Modern Languages at Trinity University, one of our upcoming educational institutions in the San Antonio area. John Feagan is a successful realtor and much interested in civic affairs. Charlie Densford has acquired a sheep ranch some thirty miles north in the hill country and looks and acts the part of a successful rancher. Cusack retired as Deputy Chief of Staff, 4th Army, and is now going to school preparatory to entering the investment business. Densford will raise the sheep and Cusack will shear them. Stroker is a successful banker and appears to be prospering. A. J. McVea lives in nearby Gonzales; is interested in contracting business and occasionally visits the San Antonio area. Bayes is G4, 4th Army; looks trim and can still probably wear his cadet uniform if he still has one. Not many others except Bill Dick can make that claim.

Jack Gordon is Vice President of Lone Star Brewing Company in charge of Public Relations and is very active in civic affairs. He tips the scale at a comfortable 240 but carries it well. You wonder where the yellow went, but you sure know where the profit has gone. Jim Mooney is Vice Commander of Air Training Command stationed at Randolph AFB. Travels widely and both Speed and he are looking extremely well. Hector Truly is Headquarters Commandant of 4th Army and plans to retire here in the San Antonio area come June.

I am presently Commander of Randolph AFB and my post retirement plans at the moment are indefinite. Mitchell, Leo Cather, and Candler are also in the local area. Leo is the only one still on Active duty with 4th Army; the others are retired.

That is a brief resumé of the local group of '31 and we are all looking forward to the annual West Point Dinner on the 13th of March at the Fort Sam Houston Officers Club.”

—Phil Stiness
4131 Harrison St., NW
Washington 15, D.C.

1932

We are happy to report that we still have representation at West Point. “Ed” Burke, although no longer at Highland Falls says he is within striking distance and will be happy to represent us for the 30th reunion.

And speaking of reunions, the '32 class of the Severn called up “Tom” Harvey for our annual joint luncheon with USNA '32. They suggested some time in April. A ten-

tative schedule has been set for the 10th at McNair. This get-together is always a very enjoyable one and helps considerably in maintaining good relations. (Besides, since young "Bill" is in the Navy maybe we can "file bone" a little.)

And now for news and gossip. I've been informed unofficially that "Jim" Churchill, Jr. is *not* married. It was his father who remarried. Again—any confirmations?

I am sorry to report that "Pop" Duncan is leaving the area in March to assume command of the IV Corps with headquarters in Birmingham. We're glad he's got such a good job and that he is in his home area. Yet, he'll be very much missed here. And while on the subject of "Pop" Congratulations on the second star together with similar Congratulations to Johnson, "D.B.," Frank Britton and "Bob" Hewitt. Incidentally, for all you future "two-starrers" (Army, that is) the bar type of stars are not "reg." The stars must be put on individually. "Pop" had to clip his (borrowed from "Luke" Morris.)

"Pop" had a get-together at his partially demobilized quarters in Alexandria for the "Garry" Halls, the Davidsons, the Morrises and "Bede" Keating to greet "Ash" Manhart and "Charlie" D'Orsa who are attending Bill Culp's school for delinquent Generals. "Charlie" Baer is there too but we couldn't contact him.

Of all people, "Bill" Spurgin wrote a legible and detailed epistle from Lawton, Oklahoma as a retiree. Bill is in business but asked me to keep it classified for the time being. I can quote the last paragraph, however. "This retired business is the real thing although I haven't had time to sit back and start rocking. The thing I like best is to be able to come and go as I please. Also, the returns are proportionate to your own efforts—quite an incentive". "Bill" asked me for some "info" which I will forward when I get it.

We also received a letter from "Pete" Hinshaw in his perfect and symmetric handwriting. "Pete" diplomatically expressed his regrets that his change of address card went astray when he at least should suspect that I misfiled it. Anyway, for correction of address sheets, the letter heading says, "The Gillette Company, Gillette Park, Boston 6, Mass." Pete adds: "We have several classmates in this vicinity. Scherer is C.O. of the Boston Army Base. Descheneaux lives in Lexington. Stecker is still wool gathering, McCormack covers the world, Roth teaches nearby, Gilmer is C/S XIII Corps, Harris weekends in Greenland and elsewhere, Hammond still runs J. S. Livermore, and I peddle razor blades to the trade. I get to Washington on occasion and will stop by on my next trip in March. Our kids are still in Germany and "Fred" is trying, without success, to beat the system at West Point.

We're looking forward to seeing you "Pete" and by the way, I now have a beautiful adjustable Gillette with all the trimmings. It does a beautiful job.

Before arriving here to visit the Culp emporium, "Ash" Manhart wrote me a letter from Fort Carson. He reports as follows: In this area, we have Romulus Puryear, C/S ADC; Ben Webster D/O ADC; "Milt" Ogden OPNS NORAD; "Al" Stoltz retired; and "Chuck" Anderson, commander Lowry AFB, Denver. He

adds that he'd like to stay for a long time at Carson in his home state of Colorado because he not only likes the area but people are real nice. For "Ash's" information, I'll make out a new roster before I retire as secretary after summer movements have been accomplished.

"Dan" Gilmer wrote a complimentary letter with thanks for the newsletter. He says that he and Nana took a space available trip to Puerto Rico and St. Thomas. The "Jimmy" Masseys were aboard with Shen. "Dan" recommends the trip. He also asks classmates to be sure and call him up if they plan visiting in Ft. Devens area so he can take appropriate action to care for them.

"Ed" Simenson sent me a copy of a program for their Founders Day dinner March 11th at Chicago. General Wood (1900) is still the honorary chairman and their president emeritus is Colonel George T. Longhorne (1889). This is quite a chapter! Since I can't improve on "Ed's" letter, I quote:

(from "Ed" Simenson's letter:)

"Thanks for the Bi-monthly Newsletter dated 31 January, which I just received. This indicates that I should do a better job of keeping you informed of my address.

"Since retirement I have moved frequently and finally have combined Country Club living with Apartment house conveniences. A yacht harbor, golf course, tennis course, private bathing beach, gun club, bridle paths, and even perch fishing are across the street from where I live which is only five minutes from the Loop. This street is the famed Outer Drive, 12 lanes wide, A pedestrian tunnel gets me to the golf course in five minutes; I can look out my 27th floor window and determine in advance whether or not the first tee is crowded.

"Our view of the city, the outer drive, the park, and the lake shore is the finest in the city. When travelling this way, please let me know and plan to drop in for a cocktail.

"I travel frequently and recently visited with Bill Call, Larry Hillberg, Rom Puryear and Joe Kelly. My trips to Washington have been too short to say 'hello.'

"Probably the most important reason for this letter is to advise you of my current address, in the event that any dues are coming up.

"You and your predecessors certainly deserve a vote of thanks from the members of the class for the fine way you have been keeping us informed. The Newsletters become increasingly important as we approach our 30th Anniversary."

"Bill" Menoher sent a change of address card together with "regards to all." He is with Sperry as an engineer on the Nike Zeus program. The new address is 130 Magnolia Street, Westbury, Long Island.

I reported "Jeff" Childs' death in last month's Newsletter. I have found since that he is buried in the cemetery at the Presideo.

Floyd Hansen is having quite a bout at Walter Reed. He had a chest operation. It was a serious one, but things seem on the bright side. A friend, Mrs. Rosa Sumner, wrote me a note thanking us for the flowers that "Ed" Howarth had sent. She said that when Eloise told him in the recovery room of the flowers and card,

he smiled for the first time since the operation. Both "Olley" and Eloise wish to send their deep appreciation. "Olley" will be home in three weeks.

A last reminder. Our luncheons are held in Room 3 C 664, Pentagon, the second Monday in each month. Last attendance was 25 or about 70% of the potential. Last month, the class mixed party was a success. Forty-two attended and all had a right good time. I say with pride that the social calendar has been a successful one due to the efforts of the executive council with particular reference to quiet but efficient "Tom" Darcy, ebullient Harvey Fischer, and money-collecting "Ed" Howarth.

—Bill Davidson
5 Estel Rd.
Fairfax, Va.

1933

Old grads were proud of the way 1700 Cadets (the Corps less A squads, "D" men, and those serving special punishment) led the Inauguration parade down snow-cleared Pennsylvania Avenue; for superior marching, it has not. The AF Cadets left Colorado Springs in 30 C-119s headed for Washington, but weather prevented some from getting here.

Last summer the Sparrows, Fletters, and the Clyde Jones entertained some '33 Cadet sons at Bert and June's quarters at Sill. Bert is now CG there of the 1st Missile Brigade; he recently announced the engagement of his daughter, Virginia. Bill retired last year and is working for Douglas Aircraft in Charlotte, N.C., where he lives at 6118 Deveron Drive; son, Alex, is '63 at USMA; Katrin is '64 at Wellesley; and Stephanie is at home. Clyde is PMS&T at U. of Kansas.

Of the BC's nominated for a second star in February, nine are '33—Zierath, Breit, Ely, Lincoln, Conway, Gray, Chase, Shinkle, and Polk. Calhoun was named BC—our last. Twenty-four now have two stars and 57 have one. Carver comes to DCSPER, Pentagon.

Devine's Freedom Academy gets a boost in February's Readers Digest. Patterson has been named VP for Planning and Development of the Breeze Corporations. At Ft. Amador, Tom Beck, during a JCS trip, dined with Bing Downing, who soon moves to Meade for NSA duty. Earlier, at a meeting of MAs from south of the border, Bing got together with Macherey (present weight 170) and Lonning (only a little heavier than in Cadet days) and said "hi" to Dick King. He writes "We're all getting to be so Spanish here that even at our social affairs, after a drink or two, conversation is a mixture of English, Spanish, and 'Scotch'."

Lonning's daughter, Tonnetta, in Tokyo, married Ensign W. B. Graham, whose father is USMA '28. Charlotte Tague is working in the same real estate firm that Marcus was with; she hopes that Classmates will visit her in Brandenton. Maddux is Vice Commander of Continental Air Command, at Robbins AFB. Ryan says that *mud* was the real enemy in the VII Corps winter maneuver; and that Marge, who has checked the other side of the Iron Curtain as far as Prague, visited Portugal during the "battle." Grimes is

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Post CO and supplies Bill with house-keeping assistance.

Back to the Pentagon soon for Fuqua. Of the seven directors in ODCSLOC, four are '33—Lincoln, McMorro, Riden, and Lane. Blanford has moved to the Pentagon (OASD). Giffin retired; Sid is with the Institute of Defense Analysis as a research analyst. IDA is an independent agency administered by MIT, Princeton, and seven other universities. Engler has been named Army CG in Japan; a Lucky Star with the Rising Sun.

Hurlbut is now stationed in Seoul. Hurly writes that he expects to shack-up with his old roommate, Hallock, who has a cribbage board and scotch in the ice box. Polly will stay in Davenport, Iowa, and their boy and three girls will go to school there. Gott has a new heir, "and I naturally expect this grandson of mine to ultimately set the world on fire." Rod occasionally sees Moore, who teaches at the Harvey School in Katonah, N. Y. He and Quinn brightened up the Gaslight Club in New York last fall. Hain reports from CINCPAC that Ehlen, J-4, Mundell, J-6 ("handles one of the largest word counts in --- message traffic") and he, J-5, are as busy as reported in the January *Time*. Bob occasionally sees Hoebeke, Walters, and Tom Evans, wielding their leis. He expects to retire in the near future and live on Oahu where daughter, Gwen, is staff artist for "Paradise of the Pacific" and college sophomore son, Scott, "spends most of his spare time surfing." Breit's son, Bill, USMA '60, married a Navy girl; he is assigned to Fairchild; he earned his missile rating by taking a three weeks' course at Shepard and then five weeks of instruction at Vandenberg. Johnny is the new AF PMG. Marjorie and Joe Crawford have returned, and are in an apartment at 4600 Connecticut Ave.; their daughter, Anne, is a student at Radcliffe. Bodeau's wife writes the Northern Virginia Sun's social and military sections.

Johnny and Helen Ferris recently returned from a furlo in Nassau. Our next "ball" will be at the Army-Navy Country Club, 16 May. Mo and Ruth Edwards are grandparents of a Paris-born girl who arrived in October. He sees quite a few of '33 and writes "the Commandant of the College (a Belgium Army Lt. Gen.) drew the conclusion (only slightly exaggerated) that most of the 'wheels' in Europe were classmates." Kaesser got his MA from UCLA and is teaching on the college level. Speiser is VP for Plans and Programs of Becton, Dickinson, and Co., Rutherford, N. J. Park will either—just one decision after another—retire or transfer to Korea. Gerry Chapman will probably retire in the near future.

Marshall and his wife, Judy, live on ye olde Hudson. Starbird is Division Engineer for the North Pacific with headquarters at Custom House, Portland, Oregon. Due heads a Physical Evaluation Board at Ft. Sam. Vidal's daughter is making a movie—for pay—in New York. Elliott transferred to Warren-Robbins AFB, Ga., which is being evacuated by Harry Bishop who is moving to Atlanta. Moorman is AF CG in the Philippines. Cleveland sells investments in Miami; where Scott is in the toy manufacturing business. DeGavre writes from Addis Ababa that his eldest son



Norm Edwards gets his.

graduates from Annapolis this June; that he, Chet, returns in May to Monroe, where he will be assigned as G-1, CONARC, and where he will be near his Virginia farm. He writes that things got pretty hot when "the Imperial Ethiopian Bodyguard staged a coup d'etat which resulted in many casualties and much property loss. For three days we ducked bullets and mortar rounds throughout the city. All is quiet now but it will be a long time before losses are replaced."

Hurlbut reports that six '33 Generals recently met in Huntsberry's quarters in Seoul—besides Hurly and the host there were Dahlen, Carver, Darnel, and Hallock. He would like to hear from any Classmates about to sojourn in Korea so that he "can prepare for the necessary ritual." Hine is active in the Officers' Christian Union, whose membership represents many nations. Gee and family plan to sojourn in Bermuda in March. Eb Downing tells me to pull my neck in, he is the Deputy, not the Chief, Engineer of the Mississippi Valley Division. As Reynolds would say, Hasta Manana.

—Harry King
4623 Kenmore Drive, N. W.
Washington 7, D. C.

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I am sad to again have to lead off our report with word of the death of another classmate. Willard ROOT passed away at Walter Reed Hospital on the night of 22 December 1960. Willie had been nursing a bad heart since before his retirement in 1956. He underwent another operation at Walter Reed in early November and made a gallant effort toward recovery, but internal complications proved too much for him. Funeral services were at Arlington on 27 December with a large number of the Washington contingent present. Eunice continues on at: 7801 Pinemeadow Lane, Cincinnati 24, Ohio. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to her and to the children.

After twice being snowed out, a quorum of us made luncheon at the Army-Navy Country Club on 7 February. Either because of the need to elect a new Class Committee, or because cocktails were to be on Milt ROSEN, a goodly group of twenty-four assembled. The

Steering Committee for 1961 consists of: Chuck SYMROSKI, chairman; Milt TAYLOR, vice-chairman; Bill CHAPMAN and Kent PARROT, members; Moon FERRIS, secretary-treasurer; Larry ST. JOHN, historian. A vote of thanks was given to last year's committee, especially to FERRIS and ROGERS who have been riding herd on Class activities for several years.

Had a pleasant though short visit with Yobby MORRIS at Wright-Patterson AFB. Yobby is Executive for the Director of Maintenance, AMC, and has been at Wright-Patterson about four and a half years. Pat MENTE ran across Bob STRAUSS at the Army-Navy Club recently during the latter's visit to Washington. George ECKHARDT called me from Fort Meade, where he has been Acting Commander, Second Region, ARADCOM. Meg has been visiting on the west coast.

Received a long newsy letter from Betty MILLER bringing us up-to-date on the happenings to Moose and the rest of the family during the past year. Having gotten Dinny Graduated with the Class of '60 and the girls enrolled in various European schools, Betty and Moose descended on Budapest—but not for long—ordered out as persona-non-grata some ten days after arrival. Anyway, they fled to Vienna, took in the Passion Play while awaiting orders, and finally ended their trek in Heidelberg, where Moose is with the G-2 section of USAREUR.

From the Pacific comes word from Frank and Edie OSMANSKI now at Fort Shafter. Frank is in the G-4 section of USARPAC. Looks as though the water sports are catching most of their interest. "The most lovely, unspoiled beach in Oahu that we know is at Hanauma Bay. Come on over and we'll take you there!" Wish we could. The EXTONS, likewise of USARPAC and Hawaii express the desire to stay there forever. How about some rotation Hugh, to give a few of the rest of us a chance.

Anne and John PARKER carry on at Polohunt Farm between Lexington and Versailles, Kentucky. Having remodeled the family castle to his liking, John is now doing a bit of teaching at the University of Kentucky, when not farming. Ruth and Herb GEE send their best from West Palm Beach. Charlotte and Jeff RUMSEY are expecting to leave Kansas

City this summer. They have David enrolled in Brown University, so are hoping to come East someplace.

El NILES continues on at Third Army Headquarters. His oldest son will graduate from the University of New Mexico in June, and El and Page expect to be present. Sally and Ralph HAINES still enjoying Hood. Ralph visited Fort Sill last winter and had lunch with BRYDE, KEATING, DILLEY and HARDEN. He also saw Muriel BROWN, but Gerry was away on a business trip.

Dee BECHTOLD writes from Fullerton, California, that Sandy graduated from college a year ago and is now working as a scientific librarian. Hopes to get to Europe this year. The RYNEARSONS, writing from Latham N.Y., where Rooney is PMS&T, are all going to school or teaching.

The stars continue to light in '35. John THROCKMORTON has been nominated for Major General. Jim TOTTEN and Norm EDWARDS were the recipients of surprise Christmas presents in the form of BG's stars. Norm was almost immediately transferred from Fort Ord to Fort Lewis. Jim went to Korea in April. The Air Force finally recognized Bill CHAPMAN'S activities in foreign developments with a star. During February four more Army classmates were nominated for BG: Bob GLASS, Chuck SYMROSKI, Jim WORTHINGTON and Tige BEALL. Congratulations to all!

Jimmy ADAMS is now assigned to the Joint Staff. Hart CAUGHEY is Chief of Staff I Corps (Gp) in Korea. Ham TWITCHELL left for Korea in January while Hoot GIBSON returned therefrom to take over the Ordnance Weapons Command at Rock Island Arsenal. SYMROSKI is headed for Paris in June to be Senior Army Attache.

George RUHLEN writes from Fort Banks, Massachusetts, to report that a son, Stephen Strawn RUHLEN, reported for duty on 17 February. Previous claimant to youngest son honors (Joe ANDERSON take note) are now requested to take a back seat. Butch MORGAN is boasting of a grandson born last August.

Jim BUCK, IG of the Continental Air Command at Mitchell AFB was recently awarded a medal for his work with Air National Guard units. Kenny CURTIS has been appointed Deputy Chief of Staff at the Army Air Defense Command Headquarters. Gib SHERRARD left Fort Benning in February for the Caribbean Command, Quarry Heights, C.Z. WOLLASTON moved from Lansing, Michigan to the Army Language School in March, to study the Arabic Language. He should be seeing Carl ISHAM who is studying Spanish. Al ASHMAN is also headed for Monterey prior to going to Colombia. We are glad to learn that John THOMAS is back at Governor's Island, assigned to the G-3 Section of First Army.

Our first big Class social event since the Twenty-Fifth Reunion came on 25 February 1961. Almost fifty classmates and wives assembled for cocktails, dinner and dancing at the Army-Navy Country Club. The following were present with their fairer counterparts: ROGERS, HAWKINS, Mike MITCHELL, HALL, Stan JOHNSON, ST. JOHN, SYMROSKI, PICKARD, BIDGOOD, SHERDEN,

ROBBINS, PARROT, FRYE, MAROUN, TAYLOR, MORGAN, VAN ORMER, FERRIS, LEONARD, GREENLEE, MENTE, ROSEN, THROCKMORTON, and Rube TUCKER. Hope I haven't missed anyone, but must admit I was thoroughly enjoying myself and shouldn't be held strictly accountable. Fashion notes—Chuck SYMROSKI's scarlet dinner jacket and Autry MAROUN's fancy tie (?).

Had an interesting letter from BREAKEFIELD recently. He was in Europe last winter for exercise Wintershield, where he saw Harry LEMLEY and Jim ALGER. Harry is the Artillery Commander for the 24th Division and demonstrated his fine work during the Project Combined Arms demonstration. Jim ALGER was a visiting dignitary along with Break. In fact, at one point they shared the pleasure of directing traffic in order to be able to move through a heavily congested area. BREAKEFIELD also reports seeing George HILL and having dinner with him. Thanks for the news, Break! We are glad to know that Letterkenny Ordnance Depot is in such competent hands.

That is about it for now. Since the undersigned continues to be stuck with the job of keeping ASSEMBLY reminded that "Thirty Five is Still Alive", please keep those news items and pictures rolling in.

—Larry St. John
318 Westmoreland Road
Alexandria, Virginia

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With sadness at his early passing, but with pride in his record, we salute DONALD P. CHRISTENSEN who joined the Long Grey Line Jan 7th. Don was an all-36 man! His father was stationed at West Point when we were cadets, his sister is married to one of us, and we loved him. He was on orders to Iraq, but died after a short illness at Ft. Belvoir.

Ned NORRIS sent his sincere thanks to us for 36's support upon the occasion of his dear wife's departure. Nancy's last escort included CLIFTON, ESTES, GROTHAUS, CONNOR and TURNAGE.

Much happiness and glee is undoubtedly emanating from all corners of the planet in contemplation of the many stars that have been showered upon the Academy's most favored sons of 1936. Although I, personally shall not be satisfied until we round out our generals at 75, I do know we all acclaim our most recent makes—SHEA, POWELL, ILLIG, LANDRUM, FERCUSSON, KELLY, BENSON, CHILES, YARBOROUGH, and HANEKE. There are so many now I'm not sure exactly, but I believe there are 43 generals in all. Which, by the way, was the number of persons signed up for REUNION by the end of February—according to HOLDERNESS.

Was sorry to hear that Bev and Cec COMBS had had so much discomfort around the end of the year (Bev had ruptured-disc operation). A foursome of Air Force classmates donned multi permanently. They are the CARMICHAELS, ELLERT (who's retired in Washington,

D.C.), MILES, and GROHS (who've retired in Denver; Rus is with Martin Company). As everyone by now knows, Ted CLIFTON has become the President's aide. I am more and more getting to realize that Mr. K. is a smart man! Jack and Lucy CHILES are in Argentina where he was sent because he was exceptionally qualified over other candidates considered. Bill CONNOR wrote indicating that a USMA-USNA 1936 luncheon was held at the Naval Gun Factory February 21st. Upon a request to NAZZARO and ESTES for some air transportation assistance to help encourage as large a turn-out for REUNION as possible, Howell wrote substantially as follows: The scheduling of aircraft for purely personal reasons is impossible. However, he said that with a little effort anyone could go to or contact many air installations and "hook a ride". I am planning to send a list of AF bases which Howell sent me to all classmates in the south west and far south west, hoping you-all 'l come! Both T.R. DAVIS and POWELL wrote from Eighth Army, Korea. SNYDER will leave the Deputy Chief of Staff there and take over as Chief of Staff First Army, Governors Island effective April. BILLINGSLEA will take Howie's job in the Eighth. HIESTER is the Ordnance officer. He was operated on for a throat condition last winter and is back to duty now. LAYNE is IG. O'BRIEN is Hq Comdt. DAVIS is Protocol Officer. GOODWIN is Advisor ROK National Defense College. FAIKS is G-4 I Corps. DICKENS has 32nd Battle Group, 7th Div. Red HOLTON, I believe, will arrive ere long at the ROK Military Academy. He's leaving Infantry Board at Benning. T.C. ROGERS, Chief, MAAC is nearby in Japan. POWELL is Eighth G-3.

HANEKEs wrote that young Bill is at Sullivan's hoping for the Point. They will be leaving Monroe for Ben Harrison before June. HAYES are in Los Angeles. Tom IV also is looking for an opening to the Point. John HEINTGES wrote from the far east. He was recently written up in national news (I'm informed) for his efforts. Also when he was selected for his present duty about a year ago he was filling a position which called for "the best officer in the Army".

As happens quite often, perhaps 50% of the news herein is received from the distaff side of the Class. Someday, I'm going to tell Liz to write these notes and see what happens! Anyway, Helen Hess writes (I don't even think Whitey can sign his name these days) saying he has passed his PhD. HESS' have three grandchildren. At this point I'd like everyone to remember how interested I've always been in getting pictures of the Class in ASSEMBLY. Of late I haven't been always successful, but you know it certainly makes a fellow feel good when the other classes are so cooperative. Two issues ago HESS' picture appeared in the 1940 Column; and in the Winter ASSEMBLY Bruce PALMER was twice in 1943. Of course, this is downright proof that we ARE pretty famous people!

Jack KELLY, Fourth Army G-3, writes that he'd like very much to get to REUNION, but is afraid it'll be alone, because Jane still has seven children at

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home. Jack KLING on the other hand thinks that he and the family will be up East this summer, and that he CAN make REUNION.

LAMPERT is back in the States after three years and a fine job in Vietnam. He'll be in charge of construction in the Chief of Engineer Office. Ace MILLER was through Atlanta a couple of months ago and we had the usual "phone chat from the airport". He's trying for REUNION too. Jane NEFF wrote that she's planning to come to the REUNION with the BURNETTS. She says that her own 25th reunion is the same time, but she hopes to go to West Point instead.

Virginia PERSONS wrote that Pete is Dep. C/S Seventh Army in Stuttgart. TIF-FANY is Quartermaster; SIMPSON is Dep Ordnance Officer; LANDRY is QM for VII Corps.

Bill MEANY is the San Francisco Ordnance District Comdr with offices in Oakland. Prior to this he was in Korea. The QUINNS are in Turkey and last year visited Paris and Wiesbaden. Saw HAHNEYs, STEELEs, and Ben DAVIS. Juana is an Army Administrative Assistant. Eve NOAKE wrote from Italy enquiring about my check-cashing habits—which undoubtedly is of interest, if not concern, to many of you. This time I was innocent. She said she expects she and Don will be coming home in Oct. Got a letter from the RIPPLEs in Turkey. Len SHEA is returning to Washington from Paris. SIBERT says he and Tony LAMONT might get up to REUNION. Guess most of you have heard that Bill is promoting a monument for the Doolittle Raiders. If it's anything like Bill's badger and the hound, it'll be the biggest promotion of the sixties. SIKES' miss Wisconsin like a hole in the head. Glenn is tutoring, hi-school teaching and fishing. The SIKES thoroughly enjoy Key West. THOMPSONs wrote from Blacksburg where Edgar has been PMS&T for four years. Was interested

in hearing about the news of Peggy VINCENT and her family. I think it is an equal tribute to an attractive woman and a famous and long-remembered Classmate that Peggy is welcomed warmly on the many trips and by numerous people she sees. It will be something to look forward to have little Casey go to "either" Academy! The picture of the WHITE-HEAD's offspring indicates they are growing up, but what do you look like, Phil?

As of the end of February, 17 of you had ordered 1936 Tie and/or Blazer. When you read this (at the end of May) and wonder if you can still get one, give me a buzz—I might have some extras.

Perhaps I ought to add Pierre V. KIEFFER, III is our son graduating from USNA this June; Brice C. JONES is graduating from USAFA; and many of us will see David W. HIESTER, Jr., Frank W. GILLESPIE, Jr., Beverley E. POWELL, Jr., Charles M. SWAIN, William H. SIEVERS, John O. TURNAGE, and John W. GOLDTRAP get their diplomas at USMA.

—P. S. Gage, Jr.
2128 Belvedere Dr, NW
Atlanta 18, Ga.

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I am happy to report that DICK FELLOWS and I have received several notes and checks in response to our form letter sent out just before Christmas. As a result, I have more class news than ever before, and it's wonderful. These notes are now being written by RANDY HINES, who has recently been elected Acting Secretary of the class and will assume this task for the next year. The other recently elected acting class officer is DAN RICHARDS, Treasurer, who asks that your contributions to the Class Fund be sent to him instead of to DICK FELLOWS. In addition, the following of-

ficers of the WASHINGTON CHAPTER were recently elected:

Chairman.....CHESTER JOHNSON
Vice Chairman.....SCOTT HALL
Secretary-Treasurer...LUIS MERCADO

Many thanks for the various notes, and I shall try to include all the remarks which would be of interest to the members of the Class and their families.

POP METZ reports that GORDON KIMBRELL is now Deputy Chief of Staff, CONARC, Fort Monroe. COY CURTIS is G-2, 7th Army in Germany; MAX GEORGE, who retired last summer, is with Northrop at Van Nuys, California. ED POSTLETHWAIT has left Germany and is now at Fort Bragg.

JOHN ERIKSEN reports from Frankfurt that he, MARY, and the four boys are having a busy time. KEN SANBORN says life in Taiwan is hectic, interesting, frustrating, but rewarding.

A brief note from LARRY POWERS of SHAPE states that he has seen DAVE DAVISSON, BILL DODDS, MONTY MONTGOMERY, DOUG QUANTD, KELSIE REAVES, and HANK SPENGLER in Paris—and BILL EASTON in Naples. LARRY and his family, along with COY CURTIS and his family, traveled to Europe together on board the "United States" last summer.

We were sorry to learn of the death of JIM PEALE's father who died in January. Services were held at Fort Myer Chapel on 24 January—DICK FELLOWS and LUIS MERCADO attended the services.

GENE and MARIE STANN have been having a really exciting time in Vietnam. In addition to "coup" troubles with bullets and tanks in their street, MARIE broke her ankle in early November. After the coup quieted down MARIE was moved to the Philippines but was able to get back with GENE, JEFF, and SUZY for Christmas. Their older daughter, CAROL, is a sophomore at Trinity College, Washington, D.C. GENE is Chief of Staff for the MAAG in South Vietnam.

A Christmas card from GEORGE, JESSIE, and GEORGIE HOLCOMB indicate they are enjoying their new task at Trinity College, San Antonio. GEORGE retired last summer to head up the new Department of Modern Languages. He also teaches French and Spanish.

A note from DUBB HALTOM in Austin, Texas, indicates he is fully but pleasantly occupied as Director of the Publishing Division of the Steck Company. This company, which DUBB says is the largest regional publisher in the south and southwest, specializes in textbooks for elementary and secondary schools. DUBB retired in 1945 and is residing in Austin with his wife, MARGARET and two children, STEVE (16) and DEBBY (10).

BILL HIPPS was in the Pentagon for a few days. He is still with the Inspector General at Norton Air Force Base.

DAN RICHARDS reports CARL LINDQUIST, who retired in 1949, was in Washington in November for two weeks active duty with Chief of the Signal Corps. CARL works for the Navy at the Pacific Missile Range, Point Magu, California.

HARRY WILSON is Army Attache in



Photo by U.S. News and World Report.

Clifton and friend.

Buenos Aires. His tour has been extended for one year at the request of the Argentine Government.

FRED CLARKE was promoted to Brig. General on 30 November 1960.

On a recent trip to Europe DICK FELLOWS also saw BILL DODDS, DOUG QUANDT, and HANK SPENGLER in the SHAPE area. DOUG spent some time studying Spanish for a South American assignment and then ended up in Paris. Knowing DOUG, I know he will make good use of the Spanish any place. HANK is at SHAPE headquarters, apparently involved in air defense planning. DICK also reports that RAY CLINGERMAN was visiting in Naples. RAY has probably already left his assignment in Izmir, Turkey for duty at AMC, Wright-Patterson AFB since he was due to be there before Christmas. DICK also received a letter from VIC MANSFIELD from Lyons Veterans Hospital, New Jersey, where VIC is working. You may remember that I mentioned many of us had seen VIC at the Navy Game last fall. BILL McDONALD, who is on the staff at the National War College, is reported to be in and out of the hospital—we hope it is nothing serious. DICK also reports that TRAPPER DRUM was on a trip to Europe at about the same time he was. I haven't contacted him yet for any news.

I received a nice long letter from BILL BAILEY, who is assigned as PMS, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington. He reports that his oldest daughter, BARBARA, is in Paris with her husband, who is assigned to the Survey Section of SHAPE. BARBARA and her husband are living in a French apartment and apparently enjoying it very much. BILL's oldest son, STEVE, attended the Air Academy for a year and one half, but resigned and is now attending Stanford University. BILL has several other children, including MARY ELLEN, who is in her second year at Washington State, and his youngest, who is really big for his age and has twelve teeth. BILL also reports that Washington State is a fine school and feels that he has an excellent assignment in the ROTC there. He has taken some courses and hopes to get his Masters degree before leaving there in June 1962.

Also received a brief note from B. FRANK TAYLOR, who is Chief of Staff, VII Army Corps in Europe. From another source, I understand that FRANK's daughters, LINDA and JOAN, plan to marry Middies some time this year. FRANK also reports that FREDDIE CAMPBELL has the 8th Division Artillery and FINN UNGER the 3rd Division Artillery. Also, COY CURTIS is with the 7th Army G-2 and SCHERMERHORN 7th Army G-4. JIM SKELDON is Chief of Staff, 24th Division and BOB GILDART, Exec Officer, 7th Army Artillery. Also, EPH GRAHAM commands the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

A very brief note from JOE FOCHT, who is retired and living in Newburgh, New York, says he hasn't seen many classmates in the last few months, but is keeping busy himself doing home improvements, landscaping, etc. around his place.

A long note from CHARLIE and GIN-

NIE REGISTER. However, I think in my last assembly notes I covered most of the facts about them. CHARLIE was named General Manager of the new Burroughs Laboratory last November.

Another note from JIM PEALE just before Christmas reports that he is in the 8th Division Artillery with FREDDIE CAMPBELL. He reports he is being reassigned shortly to Poitiers. He also reports having seen KELSEY REAVES and DOUG QUANDT.

Brief note from JACK WORCHESTER reports that they are now located at Scott AFB near St. Louis and has been assigned as the MATS Inspector General. GEORGE WALKER, who is at Headquarters, Continental Army Command, Fort Monroe, writes that he has just returned from a three months business course at Harvard and is expecting a change in assignment this summer.

BILL EASTON reports from Naples, Italy that everything is fine with him and GINA. As you may remember, BILL was in Washington only a short time before he was reassigned to the Office of the Legal Advisor, Allied Forces Southern Europe, in Naples.

I also received a note from ED WALLNAU that I am sure many of you remember. Ed is still at the Hotel Piccadilly, and asked that if anyone gets to New York to be sure and look him up.

Finally, a note from SALLY SALIENTES's wife, LINDA. She reports they had read the recent news in the assembly and hope to make the 1962 Class Reunion. SALLY is Vice President of a new business in Manila which deals in logging, plywood, mining, and pearls. It was apparently a tough decision to leave the service, but according to LINDA, things are working out quite well. They have eight children, four boys and four girls, and LINDA reports the youngest will be old enough to go to school in 1962.

Newsy letter from GASHOUSE MARTIN in Seventh Army Headquarters states his son, LOWELL, is graduating from the Naval Academy in June, but is taking an Army commission in the Airborne Artillery. Congratulations, LOWELL, on both counts! GASHOUSE goes on to say that GILDART, CURTIS, and SCHERMERHORN are with him in Stuttgart. MONK MEYER, C.O. of the Northern Area Command, and KELSEY REEVES are at SHAPE. GASHOUSE will join KIMBRELL, WALKER, and EDWARDS at CONARC this spring. The last Army recommended list for promotion to B.G. included JACK TOLSON, DCSOPS; JIM SKELDON, C/S, 24th Infantry Division; BOB SEEDLOCK, DOD; BERT CONNOR, USMA; and HANK SPENGLER and DAVE DAVIDSON, SHAPE. Congratulations to all! Another indication that we are getting along is the latest roster of class sons at USMA, USNA, and USAFA. At USMA, Class of 1961—RICHARDS, SOLLOHUB, and JAMES SCOTT; Class of 1962—DUNMYER, FELLOWS, and RUMPH; Class of 1963—COLIN KELLEY III, LEE, ALAN SCOTT, FAIRBANK, and PALMER; Class of 1964—BESSON, MARTIN GREEN, ODEN, and SHIVE. At USNA, Class of 1961, MARTIN and MAYBACH. At USAFA, Class of 1961—SCOTT; Class of 1962, OHMAN; Class of

1963—DOUGAN; Class of 1964, HACKFORD and REGISTER. Quite an impressive array, that.

Returns from SCOTT HALL's letter on the class reunion are coming in. The following letters have been returned—anyone knowing their current address, please notify the undersigned:

K. S. DAVIS, C. W. STARK, R. G. WILLIAMS, M. W. MUSGRAVE, H. L. STIEGLER, W. H. STRATTON, S. W. CONNELLY, P. C. STERLING.

A belated flash from the AF states that SCOTTY HALL has just been recommended for promotion to B.G. Congratulations!

—Randy Hines
737 Ivydale Dr.
Sleepy Hollow Woods
Annandale, Va.

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Our hearty congratulations to Dick STILWELL and Chesty CHESAREK for being nominated to be Brigadier Generals. When promoted, they with Claire HUTCHIN will bring our Army Generals to three. Dick is slated to become Commandant of Cadets and Chesty is moving to France where he will command the Theater Army Support Command.

Al WEINNIG who retired last summer is with the TAPCO Group of Thompson-Ramo-Wooldridge. While his office and home are now in Washington he plans to move to Cleveland as soon as school is out in early summer. Al and Macon have five children: one daughter is in a convent in Dayton, another daughter is going to Dunbarton College in Washington, their 14 year old son is attending Ascension Academy in Alexandria, and the two youngest are in elementary school.

Lloyd and Kitty JOHNSON knew the day would come sometime, but now that the arrival of their first grandchild is a definite expectancy Lloyd says they are shocked to realize that they are "that old!"

It is with extreme regret that we learned that Doc BRUTON died in January. He and his family have been living in San Antonio during recent years where he has been teaching. Our deepest sympathy goes to Jean and the family.

Five of the class go to service schools next year. Ward RYAN leaves Hawaii to attend the National War College. Dallas HAYNES and Iver PETERSON from Washington, Pat PATRICK from Augsburg, Germany, and John THOMPSON from Fort Leonard Wood will attend Army War College.

John TILLSON expects to be assigned as Senior Army Advisor at the Naval War College. Brooks WILSON retired the last of February, further details not available yet. Andy LIPSCOMB is now with the US Disarmament Administration with offices here in the New State Department Building.

The following notes give a brief look at some of the class and their families in the Washington area:

Burt and Anne BROWN live in Falls Church with their son George who is in the 4th grade at Willston School. Burt is with Estimates Division of Army Intelligence.

Jim and Dee LYNCH live in McLean with their two children, Pat and Sherry who are in McLean High School. Dee says now that the yard is in order after a year's work she is going back to playing golf; says she would much prefer to dig divots in the golf course than in the yard. Jim is with Budget Division of DCS Personnel.

Tom and Eleanor McCRARY live in Arlington with their two children. Carol is now at a secretariat school in Washington and Tom, Jr. is attending the new Yorktown High School in Arlington. Tom retired in 1946 and is now a civilian wheel in DCSLOG Procurement Programming.

Greg and Peg LYNN have three children and live in Annandale. Bonnie is a sophomore at Hollins College in Roanoke, Virginia, Bill and Bob are in the 7th and 6th grades respectively. Greg is with Programs Analysis Group, Office Army C of S.

Art COLLINS and Trevor DUPUY are among our latest arrivals in the area. Art and Nim live in Alexandria with their three children, Dennis, Kevin, and Maureen. Art is now with J-5 after his tour in Korea. Trevor retired in 1958 and has just returned from Burma where he taught in the Rangoon University. He is now a staff member of the Institute for Defense Analysis, better known as IDA. He and Chris live in nearby McLean. Trevor, Jr., is at West Point, Earnest is at Colgate, George is at Mt. Hermon (Mass.) Prep School, Laura and Charles are in grade school, and Miranda is at home.

The flow of the Class back and forth from overseas continues. It is a little early now for specific assignments in all cases but the "good rumor man" says the following moves are highly probable—

Due to return to the ZI: Bob ERLENBUSCH from Germany; Swede SWENSON from Korea; Frank HARTMAN from Germany; Norm TITTLE and Joe CONELL from Korea to Washington; John BOYT from Iran to Fort Holabird, Maryland; Charlie DENHOLM from Iran to Hq CONARC; Ben STERNBERG from France; Hube STRANGE from Korea; Bill CROCKER from France; Bob McBRIDE and Vin MILES from France; Charlie YOUNG from Hq USAFE, Germany; Howie KENZIE from Air Attache, Norway. (Specific destinations for the preceding five "Air Force-ites" just weren't known by the assignment section—maybe more details on Air Force moves will be available next time.)

Due to go overseas: Frank NORRIS from Washington; Phil BROWNING from Washington to Europe for duty with SETAF; Bob LOVE from Mobile; Bill SMITH from Pittsburgh; Bill CORBETT from PMS&T at Princeton; Mel RUSSELL from National War College to France; Mark BRENNAN from Hq MDW to Hawaii; Dave BYARS from Washington to Hq Caribbean (Panama).

After 5 years in Washington Bill LATTA is expecting a troop assignment in Europe. Claire BECK is to move from Fort Bragg to Hq Fourth Army at Fort Sam Houston. Bud TEICH is now on duty at Hq CONARC, Fort Monroe.

Jerry FOLDA will leave Washington early this summer for duty with the 1st
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Division Artillery, Fort Riley. After a year at the Army War College Bill WALSON will move to a ZI troop assignment. Bob KASPER is expected to move from Fort Leonard Wood to Washington.

Paul DAVIS is retiring this summer and will teach International Relations at Columbia; he completed his Ph D from Yale in this subject in 1952.

Dick BROMILEY stationed at Travis AFB has taken command of the 1501st Air Trans Wg (H), MATS. Chuck JACKSON has moved from the job of Deputy Director of Management Analysis in the Controller's Office to Director of Progress and Statistical Reporting. Bob YORK had one of the best views of the inauguration—he was military aide to The Honorable John Patterson, Governor of Alabama. Mich MICHELET formerly executive of the 35th Brigade (Air Defense) at Fort George E. Meade, Maryland has taken over as commander. Ed MACHEN is now assigned to J-1 at Hq CINCPAC, Hawaii.

Dave BYARS again master-minded a delightful luncheon in the Pentagon on the 19th of January for all the Class who could attend. Those present were: ABERT, C. H. ANDERSON, ARTMAN, ED and J. R. BAILEY, Desloge BROWN, BYARS, COIRA, COLLINS, EATON, HAYNES, HUGLIN, HULSE, JACKSON, LIPSCOMB, LYNCH, McHANEY, O'CONNOR, POLHAMUS, SHERRARD, SIBLEY, SPICER, SUSSMAN, TAYLOR, and DUPUY.

At this luncheon Ed BAILEY's committee of SPICER, JACKSON, and LOUGH presented a display of possible mementos for class sons when they are graduated from service academies. The Committee's recommendation of an inscribed sterling silver plate won unanimous approval. The plate, to be made by Bailey, Banks and Biddle, will be about nine inches in diameter and will be inscribed with the recipient's name, academy, and graduation date. It will also show that it was presented to him by his father's West Point Class ('38 of course). The Academy Crest will be on left of the inscription and the '38 Class Crest will be on the right. Johnny JANNERONE will arrange for ordering and presenting the mementos. Mick AMICK will pay the bills.

In response to the flyer for the Class luncheons, Marianne GLACE reported that Frank was recovering from an attack of influenza meningitis which he had suffered in December. He was unable to attend the luncheon but did want to send his best regards to all the class. Thanks to Marianne for sending the information and we sincerely hope that Frank's recovery has been rapid and complete.

All for this time.

Best wishes,
—Jim Taylor
917 Allison Street
Alexandria, Virginia

1939

Why not start with the best news—the increasing numbers of stars being showered amongst us? The February Air Force nominations list Bob GIDEON at AMC and Jim KNAPP at SAC for per-

manent BG as well as temporary MG; while also joining the ranks of the temporary MG's are Perry HOISINGTON, who drives the 820 Air Division at Plattsburg Barracks, Don BESTIC at USAF Hq, Bob GREER at AFBMD in Inglewood, and John CARPENTER at Edwards Test Center. Now-to-be permanent BG's are Jim WILSON at SAC, and Jack MERRELL at MATS Hq, Scott AFB; and crashing the star-barrier for the first time are Bill SMITH, Andrews Commander, Tom WHITEHOUSE in the Pentagon, and George HIGGINSON heading the USAF Security Service at San Antonio, all named for temporary BG. A couple of more Army types made the last Army list too—Dutch KERWIN who will have to give up a fine billet in Army R&D here in the Pentagon, and Tom DOLVIN. Fine choices all and congratulations!

In Paris last December we listed a few new names among our international set, Phil DAVIDSON and Ken YARNALL, both in Military Assistance in EUCOM, and Jack KINNEY in SHAPE Plans and Policies. Jack has also just finished spending a couple of weeks in the Pentagon for various NATO reviews. To our plea while in Paris, Bob PLOGER has responded nobly. Bob points out that his SHAPE neighbors Al and Edna HERZBERG share with the Jack SAMUELS the honor of the first 1939 sons in the Air Academy. They became "doolies" last July. Bob writes, in part, "I have had two visits from Pug LAMPERT who is chief of plans for Central Army Group in Heidelberg, where he continues to enjoy the life of a bachelor (poor man), but reports that he enjoys the many opportunities for engaging in his hobbies of hunting and fishing. He was sporting an impressive array of camera equipment on his last visit, but since he was carrying no slides with him, I did not have a chance to verify his excellence as a photographer. (But I suggest you watch the national photograph magazines). We have been waiting for a visit to Paris by Harv FRASER and family, presently in Brussels and undoubtedly enjoying a sabbatical from the Rock. Rumor has it that my son gave him such a hard time in mechanics that a vacation was essential... I have just returned from a visit to 7th Army maneuver "WINTER SHIELD" where we had a pleasant gabfest with classmates spread from Denmark to Spain. Present for observing were Tommy THOMASON from the MAAG Denmark, escorting a senior representative from the Defense Ministry (Tommy brought Nernie into Germany and planned to share a pleasant leave in Bavaria as soon as the maneuver terminated); Jack RIPPERT from the U.S. Advisory Staff in England; Harry McCLELLAN all the way from the C&GS (Faculty) at Fort Leavenworth; VAN HARLINGEN presently commanding a signal group of 7th Army and soon on his way to attend the National War College; Sailor BYRNE escorting two Spanish colonels as a consequence of his duty with the MAAG in Madrid and displaying a profound facility with the Spanish language." Bob, who also reports a pleasant visit with Bert and Gert McCOLLUM in Kaiserslautern a little

earlier, hopes that he and Marguerite reach the ZI in time to watch Wayne acquire his commission next June Week. Number two boy is already in service on a two-year enlistment and shooting for computer school, Monmouth.

Many thanks Bob, and also to Dick WHITE, who responded by letter from Ord, where he is the QM Liaison Officer at USACDEC. He tells that the LARSENS are well established, Jim COLLINS still running the Monterey Language School, Hack CONNER and FARRIS (Steve back from Korea in December) in CDEC, and Shields WARREN commanding a brigade in the Replacement Training Center.

Miscellany: Homer BARBER at the Ordnance Ammo Command, Joliet Arsenal, Ill., Jay and Natalie DAWLEY with their five small fry including twin boys at VII Corps Engineer in Germany, Howard and Betty ST. CLAIR G-3 of the same headquarters, Roland and Barbara BOUGHTON PMS&Ting at the U. of Kentucky, Chuck and B MEDINNIS at the Springfield Armory, Carl McFERRER at Ft. Wingate, Gallup, N.M., recently transferred from the Ordnance Depot, Anniston, Ala., Bill McCAFFREY dashing through the Pentagon corridors on a visit from The Citadel, where Jim and Althea RICHARDSON's girls are enjoying the environment. Jim apparently considering taking time out from teaching physics to complete his PhD. Robbie ROBINETTE retired 28 Feb and joining Chance Vought at Dallas.

Andy GOODPASTER, who will be going in April to Wurzburg as an Assistant Division Commander, tells of fine treatment at the hands of the following at Fort Leavenworth: Matt SMITH, Jap WILSON, Dave DILLARD, and Bob SCHELLMAN.

It seems that our last roundup missed a few inmates of the five-sided squirrel cage (not hard to do), and of course it is being continually reinforced as well. Here in Washington you may also find Ralph JORDAN at Quarters 2 Arlington Hall Station, Ben GLAWE in USAF Personnel, Walter DOLLE retired and with Page Communications in Georgetown, Fuzzy HARRISON teaching math (?) at Kenmore Junior High School in Arlington, Mark MEGICA, retired, now having moved in as president of Construction Managers, Inc., and Bur SHOWALTER and Tom SMITH getting ready to play Pentagon musical chairs in June from DCSOPS to JCS. After Bob RICHARDSON organized a fine USMA-USNA 1939 lunch, Tom SMITH really hit the jackpot with a Sunday Brunch. We had timed this last party so I could milk the crowd of fresh news to fill this column, but my 35 NATO Military Committee officers managed to get socked in at Amarillo on the way back from a trip to New Orleans, Vicksburg, and Ft. Huachuca—with every stop devoid of 39ers. Nevertheless, as you can see, the troops crashed through in fine style. In April we'll host 35 more of these NATO officers to West Point and Metropolitan New York, where we should uncover plenty of 39ers. In fact, Charlie DUKE has already promised to give us a fine show around his harbor activities.

For those of you who, like me, have been trying to figure out some better al-

ternative to being weathered in at places like Yuma, see Chris COYNE. He took leave in San Juan with Meredith and had to wire home for extra leave.

To close out, here is news from a good West Point associate of 1939, our valued friend and pastor to many of us, Father (Monsignor) George Murdock, who left USMA to take the big Sacred Heart Parish in Mt. Vernon, N.Y. He wrote in December: "As you no doubt are aware the past five months have been spent in convalescing from a serious operation which I underwent. The progress has been slow and interrupted by complications. However I now seem to be on the way to a very gradual recovery. I am prayerfully grateful for even this advancement. I hope the future may be even brighter. I pray that you are all enjoying the best of health and that God may continue to shower His blessings upon you. I know you will understand my failure to write letters in reply to the many that I have received"

—Stan Dziuban
314 West Columbia St.
Falls Church, Va.

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Addresses I have just learned: Dick Abbey, 105 Spruce Street, Williams Air Force Base, Arizona; John Aber, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama; Hank Adams, Director of Athletics, U.S.M.A.; Urey Alexander, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania; Hank Arnold, Headquarters Sixth Army, Presidio of San Francisco; Luther Arnold, 2nd How. Bn. 75th Arty APO 165, New York City; Charlie Balthis, Fort Devens, Massachusetts; Charlie Banks, 5217 Roosevelt Street, Bethesda, Maryland; Ray Bates, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey; Mike Bavaro, 6 Kelley Road, South Acton, Massachusetts; Lee Bell, 1716 Fairlawn Drive, McLean, Virginia; Nils Bengston, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama; Chuck Biswanger, 4537 Butler Avenue, Ft. Meade, Maryland; J.B. Bonham, 5322 Dublin Avenue, Springfield, Virginia; Bob Brewer, AAA Brigade Chatsworth, California; Dan Briggs, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. George Carnahan, Office of the Chief of ORD, Washington 25, DC; Homer B. Chandler, Hq XV US Army Corps, Presidio of San Francisco, California; Bill Clark, Hq 57th Arty Gp., Fort Carson, Colorado; John Coontz, 1215 Devon Lane, Newport Beach, California; Joe Couch, 2603 Central Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia; Hank Cunningham, 5529 Holmes Rees Parkway, Alexandria, Virginia; Ted Davis, 4224 Colombia Pike Apt 1, Arlington, Virginia; Paul Deems, Box 78 Route 1, Vienna, Virginia; George "Butch" Dixon, Carlisle Corporation, Carlisle, Pennsylvania; Joe Donohue, The Hun School, Princeton, New Jersey; Ray Downey, 7101st AB Wing APO 332, New York; Jim Dubuisson, Opelousas, La; Kermit Dyke, Air Defense Command, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Phil Elliott, Qtrs 78, West Point, New York; Rick Ferrill, 32 Woodmont Road, Alexandria, Virginia; Al Gee, 285 Ridge-wood Drive, Snyder 26, New York; Sam Goodwin, Hq. Combat Command B, 4th Armd Div, APO 66, New York City; Ed

Haggard, 14345 Ramo Drive, La Mirada, California; Jack Harnett, 375 Crestline Drive, San Francisco, California; Jim Humphrey, 6385 SW 110th Street, Miami, Florida; Marvin Jacobs, 421 North White Station Road, Memphis 17, Tennessee; Wing Jung, ODCSPERS, Dept of Army, Washington 25, DC; Bill Kasper, Qtrs #3, Fort Carson, Colorado; Dick Kent, AIR ROTC University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

Larry Klar, 153 B Grierson Ave, Fort Huachuca, Arizona; Mark Klunk PMS &T, Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pennsylvania; Fox Kramer, 4217 Rupert Street, McLean, Virginia; Jim Kreitzer, OCRD Department of the Army, Washington 25, DC; Bert Lane, AWC, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania; Jim McAfee, Mutual of New York, Broadway at 55th Street, New York 19, New York; John McLean, 3213 Macomb Street, Washington, DC; Jim Maedler, G-4 Section Hq KMAG, APO 102, San Francisco, California; Bill Marling, Rough and Ready, California; Frank Meszar, 408 Virginia Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia; George Mueller, HQ CENTAG (NATO) APO 403, New York City; Tom Muller, PMS&T Dept, The Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina; Thad Nosek, 1125 Marine Drive, Alexandria, Virginia; Chuck Noble, 5314 Calle de Ricardo, Torrance, California.

Len Orman, Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, New Jersey; Dave Parker, 11 Santa Elena Avenue, Daly City, California; Bob Pfeil, Office of the District Engineer, Detroit, Michigan; Bob Raleigh, 821 Skyway Blvd, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Harmon Rimmer, 434 Tenth Avenue, Indiatlantic, Florida; Oval Robinson, Hq. 44th Engr Gp 9th Log Cmd APO 331, San Francisco, California; Bill Shanahan, 1405 Evening Lane, Alexandria, Virginia; Chuck Shaunesey, USAQMSC, Giessen, APO 169, New York City; Steve Silvasy, J-3 Div Hq UNC/USFK APO 301, San Francisco, California; Ray Sleeper, Hq ARDC, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Page Smith, 1805 Army-Navy Drive, Arlington, Virginia; Woodie Smith, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; John Spengler, 703 Chalfonte Drive, Alexandria, Virginia; Alan Strock, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Sully Sullivan, 5938 Strata Street, McLean, Virginia; Tony Wermuth, AWC, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania; Manfred Wetzel, 1419 W. Highland Avenue, Redland, California; Freddy White, AWC, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania; and Zero Zahrobsky, 407 Crown Drive, Alexandria, Virginia.

Wright HIT in USAFE Ops at Weisbaden, Rauk is Air Attache in Norway, Emery in Frankfurt, Sheetz in Weisbaden, Frontczak in Semboch, Clizbe at Ramstein, Chamberlain in the Near East, Kyle at Hood, Gleszer in Hawaii, Brown HC in Galveston, Texas, Pennsy in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Davis, Richards, Gildart and Hackett in Colorado Springs. George England in Phoenix, Ed Wynnee at Patrick Air Force Base. Lithgoww Bowlby brandishing his British type umbrella in Korea and not at the AWC as reported. (NOTE: This correction is the first one received since 1951 and may start a trend. People have been placed in the most out of the way sites with no protest.) Winton and Wilbraham in the Pentagon.

Larry Legere, Jack Wright and George Aubrey at the National War College. Budge Bingham in Saigon. Ed Lucas retired and said to be with Boeing in Seattle. Floryan at Sill. Stanton Smith with the Air Training Command at Randolph Field. Barnard at Stead Air Force Base in Nevada. Archie Knight in Kansas City and Lester Hess in Lubbock, Texas. Les Schockner is the Army Aviation Officer for Headquarters Fourth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Paul O'Neil is the Post Engineer at Fortress Monroe, Virginia. Paul Reinecke and Bob Delany at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Anyone interested in purchasing a Howitzer, Class of 1940 may write Lt. Col. Fred E. Rosell Jr USA Chemical Corps School, Fort McClellan, Alabama. Anyone interested in contributing data for the next issue of Assembly may do so by writing to me, 2167 Cacique Street, Santurce, Puerto Rico before 20 May 1961.

—Hank Brewerton

1941

The biggest news for this issue is that the Class has two more Generals. Fred Ascani, Director of Systems Engineering, Wright ADD, at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, and Gordon Gould, Chief of Communications and Electronics Division, Directorate of Operations, Headquarters SAC, Offutt AFB, Nebraska, will soon be wearing stars, having been selected for promotion to temporary Brigadier General, USAF.

The Christmas Letter seems to have been a success since I have received more mail and more class poop in the past few weeks than ever before. I want to apologize to all of you who are overseas for not having built in enough lead time. Almost without exception the overseas troops did not receive the format sent out by Coakley in September in time to make the deadline. I don't know where the Postal Department finds those slow boats that they ship ordinary mail overseas on.

We have six, not five, sons in the Service Academies. Steve Mayo is also a plebe at USAFA, Class of '64. Roberta Harrison wrote to say that Trixie Ward has remarried and is now Mrs. J. H. Higgins at 13 Olsen Street, Valley Stream, Long Island, New York. Her son, John, (plebe class at West Point) presented Joe's ring to the USMA Library. J. O. Green, 55 Bombford Drive, Redstone Arsenal, Ala. (Special Assistant to Chief Control Officer) "Transferred to Ordnance Corps, April '59, and served a tour in Turkey with JUSMAT, August '58 through December '60. "The Constitution looks good, I'm all for it." Zeke Edger, Ordnance Supply Control Agency, APO 58, New York; (Chief of Service Management) "One addition to family born in Orleans, France, 21 December 1960, Joan Bickle Edger. Ascani may lead the pack but Edger is bringing up the rear and closing fast. "Who else can sire a child at this age?" Ralph Kuzell, Headquarters, USEUCOM (J-2 Division) APO 128, New York, "Margaret, Mary, Martha, Madeline and Melissa, not listed in Black, Bald, and Grey." George Pittman, 587

TMG, Box 416, APO 130 New York; (Tactical Missile Group Operations) "Divorced and remarried (Christine), ex-wife also remarried. The two children with me. No other changes. Johnny Brooks and I had a short visit sometime back and George Brown was here but he was unable to get away to say 'Hello'."

A nice letter from Renee Linton points out again that nobody in Heidelberg had any word on the Christmas letter until it was too late to make the deadline. She points out that it was somewhat of a shock to find out that Bill had been busted back to Lieutenant Colonel after six years in grade by the Christmas letter roster. (My apologies for not catching it) "The Lintons had a Class Party for the AN game. Those attending were Joan and John Van Hoy, Bob and Gay Panke, Grace and Bob Keagy, Charlie and Evelyn Canella, Ruth Forsyth and John Rosell. Jim Forsyth was whooping it up in Turkey and Jane Rosell was off skiing. The Forsyth's leave soon to move to Bamberg. We are planning the Twentieth Reunion to have a rally here in Heidelberg for everyone from Turkey to England. Quarters will be available. John Rosell has offered to run it since it was his idea. The Keagy's will head the entertainment committee. For anyone in Europe who will be able to attend, write Lt Colonel John Rosell, Special Services, Division Headquarters, USAREUR, APO 403. We are planning on having a ball. Saw Bill Gleason while he was here."

Received a clipping from the base paper at Turner AFB, Georgia, showing the Base Commander, A. Wray White, shaking hands with a distinguished visitor enroute to a golf course for his last round as President of the U.S. Cockey Cochran, USRO/DEF-6, APO 230, New York, writes "On our third year in Paris with the US Mission in NATO with the possibility of a fourth year. Hope traveled to Moscow and then came home and graduated from Cordon Bleu's cooking school. Donna, fifteen, and Jim, ten finished their third year in French schools and both can speak the language like natives. They all spent three months in a beach apartment at Cannes last summer while I suffered alone in Paris." Howard Felchin is CO and Commandant of Detachment R of the US Army Institute of Advanced Russian studies at Oberammergau. He also wrote that he saw Pete Tanous and Paul Gray in Bonn, Germany, with the MAAG. The Felchin's are having a ball touring Western Germany while Howard makes sorties down into Yugoslavia and other border haunts trying to keep from getting sick on the highly spiced Balkan food, Russian caviar and Yugoslavian plum brandy.

Lynn Cyrus Lee sent a poop sheet in from 2909 Edgehill Drive, Alexandria, Virginia, current job, Construction Division, DCSLOG. Pete Dilts, 167 Cimarron Road, Fort Dix, New Jersey. (CO of Third Battalion, 2nd Training Regiment) "Assistant PMST University of New Hampshire, '56 to '59, and Fort Dix, '59" Pooge Curtis, 27742 Conestoga Drive, Rolling Hills, California. "Moved from Point Magu to Rolling Hills. New job, Deputy Director of Plans, Programs and Financial Management, SAMOS Project. Fallon is in Harbor College and

Martha and Steve still in public schools. I am working for Bob Greer on a real fine program. Bucky says that she will never live east of Sepulvada Boulevard. See you at West Point in June." Ed Poole, 3970 CSG, APO 283, New York, Torrejon, Spain, (Deputy Commander for Civil Engineering) "Andy Evans and I are the only '41ers I know of in Spain. Lois, the kids and I enjoy the fascinating country but none of this siesta or manana stuff for us being in SAC." Got a change of address card from George Johnson. New address 6th Howitzer Battalion, 15th Infantry, APO 7, San Francisco.

The old articulator Ren Keleher writes from Korea, "Your best seller has just hit suburban Seoul. I regret that I was not a contributor but had no word until Bob Borman, my next door neighbor, received the letter. By a nice stroke of luck I am assigned to one of the finest headquarters in Korea commanded by Lieutenant General John L. Ryan. I came up here in mid November after two month's in Seoul at the same headquarters with Ted De Saussure, Detwiler was in range in the Missile Command, Niles a KMAG Senior Advisor and Pratt a QM Battalion Commander down near Pusan."

Wire Coakley reports excellent progress on the Class Organization and that the following representatives were at the Army-Navy Game: Dilts, Pigue, Fowler, Starr, Plume, Murray, Crow, Gerace, J.C.H. Lee, Richards, Monson, Reed and Rowney. They obviously didn't yell loud enough.

A recent visitor here at Dyess was Harry Trimble enroute to a new assignment at BMD, Inglewood, California. Jock Adams is in his final semester in Alaska as Deputy CO of the 9th Infantry. Ruth writes that Ted is in the 8th grade and their new baby, Cathy, is a delightful 8 months old. Jock had a bad time with osteo-arthritis the past year and still has to wear a neck brace. They are looking forward to coming home this summer. Jack Millikin, Headquarters US Army, Hawaii, APO 957, San Francisco, writes that he put on Eagles in October and has requested an extension having gone "native". Joe Gurfein reported a small Army-Navy game get together at Orleans with George Adjemian, Dick Von Schrittz and Bob Edger. A nice note from Marie Clifford says that Bill, Jr. is attending Georgetown, Carl made his letter in varsity football, and Mark is delivering the Washington Post. Mike Aliotta, American Battle Monuments Commission, Rome, Piazza Stefano Jacini 23, Vigina Clara, Rome, is the officer in charge of the Mediterranean office, APO 794, reports the birth on the 1st of September 1959, of Theresa Frances in Rome. "Saw Ben McCaffery while he was in Rome about a month ago, also saw Walt Mather in Verona last summer. Heard from Frank Stainback who is in Naples, have not seen him so far. George Adjemian reports that he has the Requirements Branch, G-4 Division, Headquarters USAREUR/COM, APO 258, New York, made a tour at Orleans, France, with family just in time. "Have celler with best French wines (I read the book). Come and get it."

The Christmas cards and Christmas letters brought in an unusually bountiful sup-

ply of poop on the Class. Jack and Marion Camp, Quarters 1309 West Shanklin Circle, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. "We arrived at Fort Sill August '59 after a tour of SETAF, Verona, Italy. Jack is Executive for the 41st Artillery Group and the Fort Sill Classmates include Bodson and Kercheval. We have seen Sam Magruder, Tom Curley, Butch Rising, Willy Hoge, the Clendenings, Ted De Saussure and Cecil Smith who showed up briefly as a highly paid civilian representative. Hank Irwin made headlines in the Oklahoma papers recently trying to keep the natives in line as to the proper voting procedure, he being a delegate from Bartlesville." Doris and Walt Mullane, 577 Carrick Street, Sunnyvale, California. This year finds Walter a Lieutenant Colonel, US Army Retired, working as a happy wage slave in Lockheed Aircraft Missile and Space Division in Sunnyvale. Frances is Freshman at the University of California, Barbara a sophomore in a beautifully established high school near Sunnyvale. Joyce and Ben Mayo from Weisbaden, Germany, report Steve is 18 and at the Air Force Academy a plebe. "We hope the Academy will keep him. Ben is working for General B. O. Davis." Ben McCaffery reports that "Sam Magruder is at SHAPE. Seneff is on the Standardization Board, A. P. Hauser is in J-3, USEUCOM along with Kuzell in J-2. Fred Baker in J-4, and me in MAD, Military Assistance Division. Tom Sharkey is here working out of J-3 on a special project, Ray Schnittke is nearby also. Betty and Potter Campbell report that Nancy is at Colby Junior College and loves it as well as Dartmouth. "Father is still holding his own learning to land in 600 foot cow pastures over 40 foot trees." Ralph Upton is with the Comptroller's Office at CINC PAC, Camp Smith, Hawaii, his address is P. O. Box 37, FPO San Francisco, Calif. Others in Hawaii include Buster Boatwright who is also on CINCPAC and Dick Delaney in the same headquarters. Stan Hudson is at Schofield along with Jack Millikin and Frank Linnell is at Shafter. A Christmas card from France indicated that Mike Cochran had a rather severe heart attack on the 2nd of November. "The doctor is expecting him to be back at work by February." John Michel announced the opening of an office for the practice of civil engineering at 341 Main Highway, Coconut Grove, Miami 33, Florida. The Bentley's report that they will be leaving Maxwell, "dragged away", in June. Joe Knowlton writes from NATO, Military Agency for Standardization, US Army Delegation, Box 65, USN, 100 FPO, New York. "I have just completed participating in historical event, the wettest fall in England for the past 108 years. Uniform raincoats over raincoats over Wellington's. We return to the US this summer after three years in Surrey, very interesting, educational, for the whole family and we can say "cold" in four languages. Tommy Thompson is in MAG UK, Ray Schnittke, Herb Richardson, and Phil Seneff are all MWDT, Paris.

Spec Powell, Colonel E. L., US Army Engineers District GULF, APO 205, N.Y., "I am the Area Engineer, professionally a very fine assignment. As you know I went to Flight School BACK in '57 and

feel that it is one of the best things that I have ever done. I went from there to director of development guidance at the Army Aviation Board. I went through the "chopper's school" and then 10 enjoyable months as a student at the Air War College. Paul Root was in my class. My contribution to the Christmas letter would be "Am overworked and unsatisfied celibate and have standing open house for any classmate unfortunate enough to come to this desert wilderness. Roy Kelley advises I'll probably go to the Air Mobility Group OCI and D next summer."

Al Darby reports two children not reported in Black, Bald and Grey, Tricie, born in '55 and Al, Jr. in '59. Ted Sliney also reports a new daughter, Katherine. Barny Woodruff at 105 Andrews Drive, Lubbock, Texas, phoned me the other day to say that he just reported in as Commander of the 3500 Pilot Training Group at Reese AFB, and was taking an instructor course in T-33's at Randolph. The Army's list for top service schools include, to the Industrial College, Bob Borman, to the Army War College, Joe Knowlton, Arnold Hoebeke, Cocky Cochran, Moe Schremp, Roger Lawson, and Hugh Foster. The Journal also reported that Harley Marsh had taken over as Director of the Infantry School, Special Projects, at Benning, and that Larry Green is reporting from Washington, D. C. to USA Element, KMAC, Korea. Henry Bodson is the first Commander of the Army's Little John, 18th Artillery, Fort Sill, the first of the Army's Little John rocket units. Fred Rossell wrote from USA Chemical School, Ft. McClellan, Alabama, to say that, "If anyone wants a copy of the 41 Howitzer, send me a check for ten bucks."

Ted DeSaussure, current job, G-3, 7th LOG Command, in Korea, reports, "Son, E.H. Jr, born 20 Dec '55, and daughter (whom I have not seen) Margaret Laurens, born 27 Nov 1960. Played polo once last year; we thrashed Valley Forge 10 to 9 and couldn't walk for a week." Dan Danforth, (Director of Petroleum Department) QM School, writes "Three years in Japan and back again. Five years older and balder and greyer. Just received this on 21 February due to not sending a change of address."

Dick Von Schritlz, current job, (G-3, Plans AC of S, G3) USAREUR (Rear), COMZ, APO 58, New York. "Left Bragg in June '60 for here (Orleans, France). We have four boys, find too much work as usual. Trying to get my sons into the Academy, ages Sam, 18, Doug, 16, Kurt, 14, and Rich, 7, so if anyone has any suggestions, I would appreciate them."

Here in West Texas the forsythia is starting to bloom and up North, the snows are melting and running off. It is time for all good '41ers to start planning to make the Twentieth Reunion the biggest and best ever. Sincerely,

-Burt Andrus

112 Washington Street
Dyess AFB, Texas

1942

The great sigh of relief emanating from the D.C. area on 24 January came from the many successful candidates for Class

office—successful referring, of course, to all those who were able to avoid the honor! The Arlington Hall Club was the locale for this year's circus; classmates, beer and pizza made up the menu. BILL PLOTT, our Leader, and WES HYDE were up in the air at the time—literally—and were unable to land locally, BOB SPILMAN was also absent (presumably afraid to face the IG) so our Secretary, JACK BARNES, put on his engineer's (hal) cap, and the railroad began operations. To assure continuity and devotion-to-duty types in office during the tough sledding with the 20-year book, the retiring (NOT in either of its literal meanings) officers presented a slate of nominees. To satisfy the requirements of the Class Constitution, others were nominated by disgruntled nominees, because they were absent, out of sheer affection, etc. The results (Names of Party nominees appear first): ANDY LOW nosed out FRAN ROBERTS for Chairman; FRAN handily defeated ANDY for Vice-Chairman; ROY GEIGER turned his back to speak to a friend and found himself the winner over GEORGE HUGHES and BILL KRAFT for Secretary, DAVE ROWLAND (now VP of Technical Industrial Consultants, Inc. PLUC. If I only knew what all that meant, I'd ask for appropriate payola) was left at the post by BILL GERNERT and BILL HARRELL and is consequently the new Treasurer while KFH retained the title of Historian in a stunning upset of GEORGE HUGHES. GEORGE won a deferment by claiming to be in charge of a church building program, but I promise to nominate him for every committee that comes along this year so that he won't feel left out! With only 25 of 58 potentials in attendance, the new Officers made their first act of business a resolution to select the majority of next year's candidates from the absentees at the Annual Meeting!

We have jolly good news for the 20th Reunion. DOPEY STEPHENS is being extended a year at USMA and BILL WATKIN has been selected as the No. 2 Professor in the Drawing Dept. In deference to BILL'S Academic prowess, the latter is now entitled the Dept. of Space, Graphics and Whatnot—but not to us devotees of the last section! We're proud and happy for you, BILL and CAROL—and I know that the CUTLERS will be grateful for the additional company during their forthcoming misery of the 20th brawl.

On the financial front, CUTH REINERT'S take-home has enjoyed an increase with his switch to leaves of the silver variety as did ROY GEIGER'S on 30 Nov and ROG BARNES on 21 Jan when they advanced from 1st Class to Eagle rating.

GEORGE REHKOPF has done it again. DA has awarded him a golf scholarship to Puerto Rico. At least there should be a swimming pool close at hand, HELENE! Good news also for JB NEWMAN who comes to the National War College, GARTH STEVENS and PHIL KRUEGER who go to the Air War College (*Anything* should be easier than Karachi, PHIL; even life among the Wind Force!) and LARRY CARUTHERS, PHIL RIEDEL, SAM HAYS, INK

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GATES, and GEO. HESSELBACHES who go to the Army War College.

FRANK CLAY continues to epitomize the scholar-athletic as a member of the Army's Inter-Service Champ Squash team. The Journal reports that Col. S. W. (say when) KOSTER took over the 1st BG, 29th Inf at Fort Benning in Dec., that MRS. MARK H. TERSEL has received her Nurses Aide Cap at Ilworth in Jan, that MRS. JEAN (the pretty one) VOEGELI had helped the Ft. Ord March of Dimes Committee to a successful campaign in Feb. and pictured LEE STANN as a Division Director of the Military Petroleum Supply Agency hungrily watching the cake cutting during a 4th anniversary agency party.

According to the newspapers, HOWARD BURRIS has been appointed AF Aide to the V.P. If we can all be named Honorary Texans, maybe there'll be promotions for everyone now!

Have had a fairly recent visit from BILL ZIMMERMAN who says he's found the transfer from a hot convertible to hot pilot fairly routine, despite the interval of marriage and fatherhood. JOE SCHMIDT was back on leave and called to report all under control in Greenland. Thanks to my proclivity for holiday a.m. sack time, I missed a phone call from DAVE MAY on Inauguration Day. By the time I was mobile and returned the call, DAVE was out watching to make sure that the new Frontier (not a bar and grill) was in being.

Had a note from TOM HANLEY on the pleasures he and ELMA are finding in Pakistan and claiming to be the '42er farthest in orbit. Another from CHARLIE MIZELL saying he'd seen CRIT a time or two but was ashamed for not having seen PAT GATES. Don't know as I'd agree with your choice of adjectives, CHARLIE, but sure do agree that it's a shame you haven't seen her. Field training had kept him from a HARMELING brawl, which is one of the penalties for being a field soldier! GEORGE ALLIN wrote from Leavenworth where I'll be in early March, that the classmates there would have a get-together during my visit and that he and MARY are awaiting orders. DICK MILES also dropped me a note from there, and I certainly do want to thank one and all for their most welcome and helpful contributions to these feeble efforts.

On our jaunt to USMA in early Feb. we got to see DON and SANDY FISKEN, EC CUTLER (GINGER was in Atlanta because of her mother's illness; EC has since written that GINGER'S mother is doing fine; EC'S mother was down from Boston to keep house and we had a delightful visit with her) and JACKIE and DOPEY STEPHENS. JACKIE was on a TV quiz show (Say When) during our stay in NYC. DOPEY says she won \$X worth of loot—we give no help to Internal Revenue—and looked like \$1,000,000! That DOPEY still has it!

At Ft. Sill I had alcoholic stimulants and dinner with DOC and LIZ CHARBONNEAU and a good visit with JACK COCKRILL. DOC'S 3 handicap has him challenging all golfers as well as FRAN ROBERTS—but I think LIZ is still the champ of the family. A young Capt. in the class introduced himself as the broth-

er-in-law of a classmate, DOPEY STEPHENS, but I told him he'd gain more appreciation by introducing himself as the brother of that classmate's wife!

Called HOWIE FENDER while I was in Dallas but the ex-D. A. wouldn't release any pertinent information on vice in Ft. Worth so I didn't go over. HOWIE says the law business is fine and the little FENDERS are keeping him hard at it.

For all in Class 42K at Corsicana, in them palmy days, I drove down there, walked into Baum's shoe store and was talked into not identifying myself to GEORGE by one of his salesmen. When GEORGE came over, I just said "It's been a long time," whereupon he thought a minute, said "I may be wrong, but I place you out at the flying school; you were one of the West Point Lts." Whereupon I identified myself and was hauled into the office for a quick run-down on all the raunchy classmates that he had taken such wonderful care of over 18 years ago!

GEORGE has been blessed with a son who has done very well, graduating from Harvard, and is about to take over the business and the farms and a daughter who lives here and is married to the lawyer for the Sen. Labor Commission, JOHN D. STRINGER. If only all of us step-children of his could have done so well! Can't see GEORGE retired, but if he steps out, you know it'll be to make helping others a full-time instead of part-time career.

BOOTS BEERS, MARY and JACK BARNES took care of the most recent party for our teen-agers on 25 February, and apparently the 30-odd present had another wonderful time, judging by all reports.

Please send along any news you can. The response these past weeks has been most helpful, and it's a sure way to see your name in print!

—Ken Hanst
1050 26th Rd. S.
Arlington, Virginia

January 1943

As the only class to graduate in the dead of winter, most of us had to trudge through snow and ice to celebrate the occasion of our 18th anniversary. That there is still a lot of vim and vigor left in our class, is attested by enthusiastic get-togethers all around the world.

In Washington, the Potomac Chapter of January '43 celebrated a dozen and a half successful years with a dinner-dance at the Army-Navy Country Club on Saturday, January 28 (pictures of the party are in this issue.) In charge of the arrangements for the party were: DEE and KAY ARMSTRONG, HAL and CHARITY BARBER, BILL and MARY STARNES, JIM and JOE HACKLER and JUDY WATERS. Among the out-of-towners who attended were the ED BENNETTS, down from the Army War College and the COBBS from West Point. The committee did a bang-up job on the decorations and as you can see in the pictures the name plates were replicas of our class crest. JIM HACKLER, our outgoing Class President made a touch-

ing little speech praising the efforts of the outgoing officers and tossing bouquets at all the various committees and people who helped him carry the load during 1960. BOB FISS, the outgoing Secretary, had composed a poem which was sort of an epic describing all of the activities and main events during his year as Class Secretary. BOB revealed how BART YOUNT as Class Vice President had struggled and slaved to develop a constitution for our class. After 12 months of hard effort BART had nothing more to offer the new Vice President than words of advice and best wishes. Our new President, JOE CONMY, was off on a "Fat-Cat Boondoggle" to Korea and so, therefore, yours truly made an impromptu acceptance for the affairs of our class in his absence. B-BALL HARRINGTON, our new Secretary, also managed to be in Europe spending per diem money at the same time. Considering the bad weather in January, the fact that about half the class in the Washington area turned out for this event was indeed gratifying.

There were other get-togethers around the world particularly in Germany where, according to BEN EDWARDS and MITCH GOLDENTHAL, the Ramstein-Sembach-Heidelberg contingent of January '43 held the celebration of our 18th reunion on the evening of 20 January 1961. Here again attendance was fewer than expected because of heavy snow on the 18th and 19th; however, the following attended: MARIE and BOB MULDROW, RUTH and BOB COOK, JANE ANNE and BEN EDWARDS, HOWARD WEHRLE, HELEN and MITCH GOLDENTHAL, MURIEL and TED ARDERY, IRENE and RALPH TRUEX, and SALLY and MERLE CAREY (not in picture.) According to BEN EDWARDS they all assembled in GOLDENTHAL'S quarters for a few before dining, dancing, and a floor show at the Patrick Henry Village. The party ended up at CAREY'S.

The January '43 Wives Club held its monthly luncheon on February 14, at the Charcoal House in Alexandria. According to Wives Club President, JUDY WATERS, luncheons are held every second Tuesday and any newcomers to the Washington area can get any additional information from her. In charge of this month's luncheon were MARIA HOOD, BILLIE HENRY, and LIZ JOHNSON.

Item of note from Europe reveals that BEN BABER who is presently in Hq, 7th Army Signal Section is scheduled to leave there by 1 March to take command of the Signal Battalion of the 8th Infantry Division. HOWARD WEHRLE is in the G-4, Hq 7th Army at Stuttgart. JANE ANNE and BEN EDWARDS decided to spread a little gold around by a 10-day vacation in the Eipsee Hotel in Garmisch beginning around Valentine's Day. If he got back with no more than a few broken legs, the EDWARDS clan will consider themselves indoctrinated in the European Theater.

From out in the Pacific PHOEBE FOOTE sent me a letter, and while I appreciate his efforts, I must admit that I can hardly read his writing any better than my own. It seems that as Base Commander at Naha, Okinawa, he could at



Reunion of January 1943 on 28 January 1961 at the Army/Navy Country Club.

least find some stenographic help around. However, inasmuch as PHOEBE went through 7 typhoons last summer we are glad to hear that everybody out in Okinawa is okay. Also in Okinawa are ROY BOWLIN, as Assistant Director of Operations of 313th Air Division at Kadena, BILL HAHN, as Assistant District Engineer of OKED, and ED CARBERRY, who is housing officer for USARYIS. PHOEBE also reports that he and JERRY and his bagpipes have visited Cambodia, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Samoa, Tahiti and Australia.

My correspondent from Spain, DICK SCHLOSBERG, reported that son RICHARD III graduates from high school this year, and if all goes well will enter the Air Force Academy this summer. If young RICHARD does enter the Air Force Academy, he will be the first son in our class to enter one of the military academies. DICK's tour in Spain ends this summer and from all indications he will be going to Vandenberg Air Force Base where he will be Deputy Director of Materiel in the First Missile Division. With DICK in Spain are MOE GATEWOOD at Zaragoza, W. B. SMITH at Moron, and REX DETTRE. According to DICK, SMITTY recently demonstrated the continuing virility of the class by fathering a new son last summer. ED SHELEY, a recent visitor in Spain, we assume is enjoying his new role as the SAC Provost Marshal.

I received a fine letter from BILL BRADY, who is the TAC resident representative at the Ballistic Missile Division out in California. BILL says that we have loads of representation from our class out there in the West Coast in the space business. RUSS HERRINGTON is Director of Space Boosters; JIM BESTERVELT heads the Long Range Study Group, dreaming up fantastic ideas for the future. JIM was recently in the Pentagon and tells me that he is getting ready to give up smoking. This is the 10th time that JIM has revealed this information to me in the last 20 years. BILL BRADY

says that B-VELT is out to out-do BUCK ROGERS. Also on the Coast is VINCE JACKSON who is Director of the NIKE-ZEUS Office. JACK and JOAN JONES had a few of the old clan together at a soiree before Christmas. Among the civilian clan members were: CHUCK HARDY who is a wheel with Aeronautics, MIKE ROBINSON at North American Aviation, and BILL LARNED who is on his own publishing a defense industries handbook. Best of luck BILL.

On the Atlantic side from Fort Monroe, Virginia, JACK WHEELER stopped for a few minutes during a heavy day at his office at Hq U. S. CONARC (Material Development Section) to write a few words. Along with JACK at Fort Monroe are BUTCH RADER, ED BIELECKI. BUTCH and JACK are both in the R&D racket and ED is in G-3. All three of them have quarters on the post and JACK admits that it really is not too bad an existence down there. The real news from Fort Monroe is that BUTCH'S boy, BOB, and young JACK WHEELER are both getting ready to plunge into the rat race of "getting an appointment" and battling their way up to the "cold gray walls" on the Hudson. Good luck to both of you. In addition to celebrating our class reunion this year, the WHEELERS and RADERS also celebrated their wedding anniversaries on the 19th of January.

Finally from the deep South comes a report from GEORGE MAERTENS. GEORGE and EDNA are enjoying Air Force hospitality at the Air War College. GEORGE is holding his own among the "Blue Suiters" in class but one of the top fighter jockies did his best to "black out" GEORGE on a recent T-Bird ride. GEORGE expects to be coming to Washington to attend the Army's MAAG course in connection with his next assignment: MAAG TAIWAN. QUENT GOSS and family have become great water skiing enthusiasts. QUENT reports that while he is busy as a student at the Air War College his family is horse-back riding and enjoying various high school

activities in Montgomery. JACK CUTLER, also at the Air War College, has gone back to golf with a vengeance and is real proud of the trophy he won in the 4th Flight AWC Tournament. GEORGE'S letter included a note from BRITT MAY who says that nothing of significance has happened in the MAY household since his daughter, SUSAN GAIL, was born February 13, 1960.

Other scattered news from around the country shows that FLIP FENILI'S children are growing so fast out at Leavenworth that they can now look FLIP straight in the eye! Just call me Shorty! LOWELL and SUE FISHER are at 410 East 20th Avenue, Belvue, Nebraska. LOWELL is apparently taking no chances on who will win out on the battle between aircraft and missiles since he is Director of Materiel in the 4321st Strategic Wing, which is reported to be the only wing in SAC with 1 squadron of KC-35's and 1 squadron of Atlas missiles. DAVE BARGER is the proud owner of the longest official title in our class. He is Chief, Air Weapons Control Division, Directorate of Air Weapons Control, Electronics Systems Center, L. G. Hanscom Air Force Base, Massachusetts. PAUL and AUDREY ANDREPORT are in New York where PAUL is with the Reeves Instrument Corporation. GEORGE and ELAYTA WEART got a sudden move last August from Tokyo to Hawaii. GEORGE is in Hq PACAF as Chief of Operations Plans Division. Sounds like the same job that ED FOOTE and JOHNNY BAER used to have! DANNIE MOORE was seen in Weisbaden last fall when he was taking a breather from his MAAG duty in Tehran, Iran. JODIE and KNOBBY HOLT have a new home at 1311 Oak Drive, Blacksburg, Virginia. JANE and STEW MEYER in Bad Kreuznach, Germany where STEW is now G-3 of the 8th Division. After 13 months ROBIN and BOB BADEN now have quarters at Fort Kamehameha, at the entrance to Pearl Harbor. Sounds like a nice view with lots of good swimming. Also out in

Hawaii are PENNY and SAINT ST. JOHN who have bought a house in Hawaii, where he is in the G-3 Section between trips to Vietnam and places like that.

The Army recently published its list of officers who will attend senior schools for the next cycle. To the Industrial College they are dragging GEORGE REBH down from West Point, and DARRIE RICHARDS will be getting a welcome relief from duty in Korea. On tap to go to the Army War College are FLIP FENILI from Fort Leavenworth, AL HUGHES, from San Francisco, and FRED LADD (ex-January '43). GEORGE LUNDBURG is currently an instructor in the Department of Nuclear Weapons at C&GSC. "SAM" BATSON will finally get out of the basement of the Pentagon, and WALT HOGREFE is coming in from the wilds of North Dakota. Selected to hold up the Army at the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, BART MALLORY is presently assigned at Fort Baker, California.

A few odds and ends in the news. PAPPY DOYLE recently retired. PAPPY's last assignment was at Travis Air Force Base in California and we understand that he will be living in California. Best of luck to you PAPPY and drop me a line if you have the time. TOTE TALBOTT, who was at Hq 5th Air Force, was to have been transferred to Hq PACAF in Hawaii but in typical fashion he has crossed everybody up and is now back in a cockpit job as Director of Operations, 8th TAC Fighter Wing, at Itazuki, Japan. BILL KYLE, Commander of the Strategic Reconnaissance Wing at Forbes Air Force Base, Kansas, was here in Washington a few days to welcome back two of his officers (Captain Olmsted and Captain McCone, officers in his outfit who were shot down in the RB-47 and held by the Russians.) I saw BOB MALONEY while I was on a quick trip to Patrick Air Force Base last month. BOB said he was on leave but at the time he was in his office with his uniform on. DAVE LOWE was seen on a visit from his Paris Headquarters at ARDC headquarters out at Andrews Field. Give me a call the next time you are in town DAVE. TALIAFERRO has been trans-



It was June in January for members of the clan gathered at Fort Ruger in the shadow of Diamond Head. Rear row: James, Harding, Lutrey, St. John, Ruyffelaere, Smith, Baden, Powell. Front row: Robin James, Gerry Powell, Penny St. John, Pat Harding, Robin Baden, Barbara Lutrey, Dottie Smith, Hannah Ruyffelaere.

ferred from Brookley Field, Mobile, Alabama to the Los Angeles area in the Ballistic Missile business. A promotion of sorts went to BILL PITTS who has moved up from his previous job of Deputy for Operations to Deputy Wing Commander of the SAC Wing at Pease Air Force Base, New Hampshire. BOOTS and REX MINCKLER have been swimming in the Pacific while the rest of us back here shovel snow. REX is going through language school at Carmel prior to his assignment to MAAG Portugal. I flew over to McGuire Air Force Base a few months ago and visited with HIRAM TURNER, who is Director of Operations. HIRAM says that being inside one of those SAGE buildings all day is no worse than the Pentagon.

The Army has also announced the assignments of our students at the National War College. I don't have the specific data but FRANK CAMM will be going to Germany. MARVIN BERENZWEIG will be on his way to Korea where it is reported he is to be given command of a Fattle Group, and JOHN SHULTZ from ICAF is on his way to Colorado Springs for duty in J-3 at NORAD.

JOE CONMY has just returned from six weeks TDY to the Far East. While

there he spent time with T. Q. DONALDSON who is commanding a "rough-tough" tank battalion in the 7th Infantry Division. As could be expected T. Q.'s outfit sports a very fine reputation. T. Q.'s wife, MARA, and their children are spending their "short tour" in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

—Wendell Bevan
4710 Macon Street
McLean, Virginia

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Greetings! And have you submitted your Contingency Options Benefit statement? If you have not, remember that it is due before the end of your 18th year.

The column this time is composed mainly of two gala get-togethers, a few letters, and some news from Christmas cards.

First for the parties. On the West Coast, the classmates gathered for what sounds like a terrific time! Thanks to FRANKIE SNYDER we have the following report: "We met at the AFBMD Officers' Mess last Saturday, February 18 (this is really hot poop!) for cocktails, dinner and an evening of dancing—alas, not comparable to those glorious soirees at Cullum Hall those many years ago! Thanks to the persistent efforts of BUZZ BUCHER, BOB HOFFMAN, and HANK FLETCHER we were able to count the following enthusiastic participants among the Benny Havens crowd: The BUCHERS, CUTLERS, DIRKES, EASLEYS, FISHBACKS (the latter having joined the DIRKES in CEBMCO after returning from a tour in Germany,) FLETCHERS, HOFFMANS, NORM KEEFER, SCHWARTZES, and SNYDERS, (Frankie and Dick Snyder radiant over the anticipated April addition to their three-boy tribe.) PHIL and GINNY EASTMAN were also present; Phil involved with Aeronutronics Division of Ford Motor Co. The CHAMBERLAINS blew in following dinner to swell the crowd. We were delighted to welcome the HAGENS to L. A. Dale and Georgene returned from Spain last summer and Dale is presently assigned to Air Material Depot, Mira Loma. They live in River-

Social Note



Seen at The Opera (Tom Mesereau's restaurant in Englewood, N. J.), Luisa Mesereau, John D. and Barbara Eisenhower, John and Anna Stahle, and host Tom.

side and especially made the trip in to add to our reunion—such a welcome addition! The HEINTZLEMANS also made a jaunt from Norton AFB to add to the gaiety.

Sorely missed at the affair were the MARTINS—Will and Jackie had twin problems (literally!) The DUDLEYS were just plain A.W.O.L. (But, oh, you class wives, wait'll you see Gloria in "'43-plus-20"—Petty couldn't improve on this finished article!) And speaking of class wives, our gals are not only beautiful but brainy. We just must boast of "our" NANCY HOFFMAN, awarded an \$1800 scholarship at U.C.L.A. to complete her requirements for a Master's Degree in Social Welfare with special emphasis in Psychiatrics.

Unfortunately, the BALLS were in absentia also. And, our most seasoned AFBMD veteran, PAPPY CHANDLER was in Denver. We heard via the grapevine that STAN and ELAINE PACE were here over the week-end as guests of the no-show HEMSLEYS. In all fairness we have to add that there was a special party which the former were obliged to attend, and assume that the latter accompanied them. Missed the SNAVELYS, but coping with freeways from Pasadena to AFBMD and myriad (lots!!) chilluns would defeat the best and hardest of us.

The party was not really confined to just the West Coast—or even the U. S. for that matter. The "Buzzing" BUCHERS were really in form, with inspiration supplied by the HAGENS. Phone calls were placed to the BECKETTS in Madrid, the KECKS in New Hampshire, and the HURLEYS in D.C. (Now, if that operator had been cooperative on the latter call all this would be old news.) As for the call to Madrid, Dale got the Becketts listed number, but ended up spouting Spanish a mile a minute with someone quite unrelated! As for the Kecks at Pease AFB, there are some here who doubt the highly touted "readiness" of SAC. It took sleepy Jim some twenty minutes to awaken Bobbie and establish the correct time before he reached "alert" stage! As you can well see, an elegant time was had by all.

Seen around the AFBMD Complex, VERN TURNER and NORM FRISBEE. LEMON BLANK was in town the first week of January and us lucky Snyders were able to start the New Year off right with him as a dinner guest. BUD RUNDELL is a not infrequent visitor to our area in connection with his highly successful Hound Dog project. We always eagerly anticipate his arrival and an opportunity for an evening spent together.

And that about wraps up the saga of the West Coast contingent of the class. We're sure you'll have a job encapsulating this for the record, but everyone was most anxious to get you news of our doings. From all here to all there—"Beat Navy"!

Back on the East Coast, the Washington contingent gathered for the Spring Formal Dance. The scene of the affair was the magnificent Officers Mess at Andrews AF Base; the date was Friday 24 Feb., and the lovely hostesses were Ginny Schramm and Barbara Arnold. We had a fairly good turn out considering it was Friday night and Andrews is quite a

way from the district. As best I can remember (and things got a bit foggy at times) the following were present: CHRIS and SANDY SEMBACK, GINNY and RIP COLLINS, MARIAN and DICK McCORD, PEGGY and DANNY CULLINANE (he's taking a quick course in Spic prior to an attaché tour in S.A.) KATHLEEN and TID WATKINS, MILLIE and NORM FRIZBE, JANE and CLARE FARLEY, PEGGY and WALLY MAGATHAN, VAL and BOB SONSTELIE, GINNY and DUTCH UMLAUF, NANCY and BILL MALONE, BARBARA and BRUCE ARNOLD, GINNY and NED SCHRAMM, EDIE and AL SHIELY, ANNA and MO MOZINGO, MAMIE and JOHN COBB, CAROLINE and DICK SHAEFER, PEGGY and ANDY BORRESKE, SARINDA and PAUL ATKINSON, KATHY and LEMON BLANK, DOROTHY and TOMMY TOMLINSON, HELEN and DALE MCGEE, IDA and JIM PUGH, BETTY and LORRY THOMAS, JUDY and SNUFFY RHEA, and NESS and WANDA NESSELBUSH.

The evening passed all too quickly. After a two hour cocktail period, we moved into a private dining room for filet mignon or lobster, and then to the ballroom for a floor show (in which some of YOUR classmates participated) and dancing. Very little gossip was picked up, so that's about all to report except that a wonderful time was had by all.

I did hear later that ROGER HILSMAN has been appointed Director of Intelligence and Research in the Department of State. Roger is helping put new blood in the new administration.

The following items were gleaned from the Christmas cards that I managed to salvage from the post-holiday clean up campaign.

BILL and CECILE COVER have left (by now) the Middle East for their new assignment at Fort Hood, Texas, going by way of Fort Sill for refresher(?) training. They planned to leave about 25 Jan., take a couple of weeks of leave in Frankfurt hoping to see JOE and NORMA WEYRICK while there. Bill says he will be glad to be back with the troops once again.

While LES HARDY is in Korea commanding the 1st Msl. Bn, 42d Arty, BETTY and the children are waiting out the year in Florida. Betty says they are getting on fine but miss "ol dad."

BETTY and ED BLOUNT are at Fort Knox, Ky., where Ed is on the Army Maintenance Board. Ed has made several trips to Mecca (the Pentagon, of course). The last time he came was about Inauguration Day and he brought all that snow. I still can't figure out how Ed got hotel reservations when so many other people couldn't. They must have thought he was part of the new administration.

KAY and DAVE GALAS are enjoying the warm southern climes at the Air War College. The snapshot on the Christmas card showed their lovely family, from little Debra sitting on Kay's lap to big Dave, Jr., who looks as if he could give old dad a rough two minutes on a "Bloody Tuesday."—Five fine children and such young looking parents!

JUG and ELEANOR YOUNG sent an imposing card with the main cell block of the Industrial College on the cover. I

haven't seen Jug recently, but then there's been snow on the A-N Golf course and the ice on the river has been too rough for hockey.

BILL and MARIE CALNAN in Paris have finally found a suitable house and are enjoying life. Marie said: "The only classmates we've seen around here are MARK BOATNER at SHAPE and CHARLIE and MARGE SPEITH, at SHAPE, too. We met the Speiths at Little League last summer. Dale Speith and Mike C ended up on the same team. They are due to go to England next summer. We did see FRED and MARY PROCTOR—quite by accident last summer. We had gone from the hotel to the Embassy restaurant for dinner. They had just arrived to see Paris before going on the visit to England. It is a small world."

JOCK and TERRY BARRICKMAN report from Germany that Jock is leaving Heidelberg for duty with the troops. Jock is taking over the 1st Msl. Bn, 41st Arty in Kitsenger and was looking forward to the change.

JACK and HARRIETTE LOUGHMAN are in the New Haven area where Jack is commanding a Nike battalion. They expect orders this summer for overseas.

FELIX KALINSKI sent a card from Geneva, Switzerland. The card (a fancy one, too) was marked "Seasons Greetings, IBEC S.A." and the bottom had Felix's name with the title "Director General." I don't know what this all means, for Felix didn't explain. Perhaps he will drop us a line to tell us what his "line" is now.

ED and JEAN RUMPF report that all is fine in Colorado Springs. MARTY MARTIN arrived at USAFA and HARRY SCHROEDER is at Fort Carson.

BOB and FLORENCE PLETT expect to leave USMA this next summer about the same time as the CARLOS YOUNG'S and BUD BOLLING'S.

EVERLYN and RALPH JONES will journey on to Fort Benning after Ralph completes the Spring term at the AFSC. Ralph's next assignment is Bn Cmdr, 1st How Bn, 15th Arty.

ART LOCOUTURE is on orders to go from ARADCOM to Thule, Greenland, in August. READING WILKINSON is going from NORAD to the 4th Msl Bn, 4th Arty at Poolsbo, Washington, in April.

GEORGE CAMPBELL was in Washington (on leave from his Nike bn in Germany) to pick up OLIVIA and the children and take them back with him in December. He passed on the following notes:

"GEORGE CAMPBELL, Hq 5th Msl Bn (Nike Herc), 1st Arty, Weisbaden; SCOTTY and WILMA STREET, Hq USAFW, also Weisbaden; and JOE and NORMA WEYRICK, formerly with an Abn FA Bn across the Rhein River at Mainz now transferred to Hq 3d Inf Div Arty, had a pleasant evening with floor show at the Hotel Von Steuben, Weisbaden (we were in the audience). GEORGE and JIM PHILLIPS, CO of an Honest John Bn, both participated in a NATO demonstration of Atomic Artillery on 25 Oct. JOE WEYRICK was the 8th Div Project Off for the demonstration. George has seen HAL ROSE, retired since '45, now living in a 20 room villa and working for another government agency

in Frankfurt. JIM and DAR HARROLD (in air attaché business in Stockholm) have stopped by Weisbaden, as did BILL WESTBROOK on a flight proficiency hop. George went to an Air Def Conf in Fontainebleau (France) and saw JACK and ALLAYNE NOVAK who are stationed there. BOB and DOTTIE CLARK are reported coming from Bliss to join the 32d Arty Bde of which George's bn is a part." And thus ends George's notes.

I have one more card. Lt. Col Fred E. Rosell, Jr (Class of 42) has a copy of the June 43 *Howitzer* for sale for \$10 post-paid anywhere in the CONUS. For anyone interested his address is USA Chem Sch, Ft. McCellan, Ala.

Well, that's all again. Thanks once more for your letters and cards. Keep up the good work. Please write.

—Bill Malone
5203 Milland St.
Springfield, Va.

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"Here are the comings, goings and staying put from those I've heard of in the past couple of months.

Jimmy Adamson and Algermissen now in Washington, James with Army Comptrollers office, Algermissen in Air Force Plans. Red and Sugar Aldrich doing well with their four children in Rochester (Mich.) after Red beat off a case of sickness nearly a year ago. Time does fly—last time I saw Red neither of us had any young dependents and now each has a 10th grader in the family.

Roy Bahls instructing in RAF college in England with a brief visit home in February. George Blanchard at National War College with time out for an AWC trip to Africa in March. Brotherton at the Pentagon in AF intelligence. Gordy Burrell still has a year plus in D.C. with AF procurement. Bottomly is at Air War College. Bill Bingham is with the Alaskan Air Command and George Brown at Army War College. Willie Burr, J. W. Brown and Black all in Washington with Office of Army Chief of Staff, Army Adjutant General and Army Intelligence respectively.

John Calhoun, now with the AEC, will be an instructor in Aeronautics this fall at Air Force Academy. Frank Cash and Jack Cushman real busy these days with Frank on the Germany desk in the State Dept. and entertaining classmates in their new building and Jack being kept busy with Defense Dept. reorganization studies. Jerry and Mary Capka and Fran and Betty Cooch at Carlisle Barracks, AWC. Jim Connell, in the middle of two years sea duty, is on the Saint Paul, flagship of the Seventh Fleet. Chuck Czapar has recently gone to Europe but to where I don't know while over here Jelks and Anne Cabaniss are leaving Univ. of Alabama this summer for West Point where Jelks will teach for a while. Washington is full of 'C's' for Cabell and Cleveland are in Army DCS Logistics and Operations; Courtney and Cumberpatch in Air Force Manpower and Legislature Liason; Cutrona with Army Information and Cooper in office of Sec. of Defense. Randy Cary is somewhere in Korea and Codling lives at 2011 Keating St., SE, Washington enjoying civilian life.

Johnny Desmond will soon be heading for British Staff College and Dunham has by now, I think, moved to California to join a new R&D company. Al Dancy is with 7th Army Engineers in Europe. De la Mater still with SHAPE in Paris. John Donaldson and Charles Daniel in Korea—John with Hq., USA after finishing Armed Forces Staff College in January and Charles is with 7th Inf. Div. doing G-3 work while Dorothy and the children keep the home fires burning back in Arlington. At Ft. Campbell with 101st Airborne are Ed and Margo Decker and Chuck and Dorothy Davis. Denman is in D.C. with Army R&D.

Ace Edmunds has been a speech writer par excellence these past few years but he will push on this summer to Naval War College. Eisenhower to Army War College shortly and Emley is at the Pentagon with Army intelligence.

Bill Fullilove at Maxwell AFB in Air Force War College and Dick Fowler is still flying for SAC. Steve and Jean Farris now in D.C.; Steve with Air Force Plans after leaving Maxwell. Bob and Nancy Flynn now at Syracuse Univ. after the past three years in Italy. Bob is getting his Master's in Business Administration. The Tom Flynns are remaining at West Point for a while yet.

Gruenther, Ginsburg and Graham are in Washington with Army Operations, office of AF C of S and Army Intelligence in that order. I think surely Don has the largest family of any of us now with the arrival of their eighth child this winter. Jack Geyer is with an Air Defense unit in Spain. Doug and Marcelle Gallez are at Leavenworth where Doug started the C&GS course in January. After finishing early this summer I think he's due to go on to Korea. In the past few years Doug has received M A degrees in English from Columbia and in Cinema from Southern Cal.

Tom Hoxie at Maxwell in AFWC, Bill Humma on the way to Army War College and Jack Hennessey is overseas with I Corps (wherever it is). Art Hyman is with the 6th Inf. around West Berlin. Dave Henderson is Aide to the C of S and is due to go to Air War College this summer. Walt Harris is at Ft. Monroe. Bass Hanley with Air Force Plans and thinking of a summer place farther down in Virginia. D.L. Harris and Doc Hayward are with Army Personnel, Harper with Operations and Hoffman with office of Chief of Ordnance.

Doug and Wade Kinnard at AWC, Carlisle Barracks.

McElvey is in Los Angeles with AF Ballistics Missiles Division. Bob Morrison also down at Maxwell attending AFWC and is scheduled to come north to Air Force Plans when he finishes the course. Alex Maish with Chief of Engineers and some of the rumblings in the Congo are probably coming from Frank Merritt who is over there doing nobody knows quite what. Bill McGlothlin is at Hickham AFB, Hawaii. Bob and Stephanie Murphy are somewhere in Germany, Tom Moore is at Ent AFB in Colorado Springs and Tom and Margi McGuire with 33rd Artillery in Germany but due to come home late this summer. Bill Miller still living in the Virgin Islands but made his annual trip up to the Navy game this winter.

Al and Sandy McCoy still quite happy with Sudbury, Mass. where I understand Al is, among other things, now in the golf course business. Alf and Joyce McCorkle live at Chilliwack, British Columbia with their five children. Alf hurt himself right seriously this past summer in a logging accident and was laid up for nearly six months but is OK now and continuing his interest in lumber, wildlife, forestry, politics, etc. McAuliffe, M.E. McCoy, McKeever, MacLean, Roy Marshall, Molloy and M.C. Murphy are all in Washington.

Think Louis Norman is now in the Air War College at Maxwell and that Ivan Nealon is still in California but not with Boeing any longer. Mike Nelson in ballistic missiles work for the Air Force after similar work at Cape Canaveral (Mike's in the Pentagon now). Bob and Alice Nixon are also at Ft. Campbell with the 101st.

Dave and Joyce Ott are with 7th Army Hq., Ed O'Donnell is in Korea and I think by now Pat is there with him and Jim O'Brien is slated to go to Viet Nam this summer after a tour at present as or with G-3, 2nd Army at Ft. Meade.

Jack and Jinnie Pollin are in Heidelberg while Ollie and Anne Patton are still in Erlangen, Bavaria with 4th Armored Division where Ollie is Exec of a Combat Command. Pattons are due home this summer. Kern Pitts is holding things in line at West Point and is otherwise concerned about Tennessee going Republican (Kern: Patsy and I were at a dinner with Frank Clement last nite and everything is going to be all right down here next election). Bob Pearce and Jack Peterson still knocking around the Pentagon. Bob and Betty Rodden in England, Epsom Downs, since last June with USA Standardization group. They are sorely missed in Washington. Bob Reagan with AFBMD in Los Angeles and Bob Routh is in Wales, doing what, I don't know. Dusty Rivers, still the gay bachelor, and Bob Royem are in Air Force intelligence and plans in Washington.

Jim Scoggin now with the Defense Atomic Support Agency will go to the Industrial College of the Armed Forces this fall; Lee Smith will be heading for graduate work at Harvard and far as I know Bill and Maggie Steger are staying put at Warren AFB, Cheyenne. Sellers is with Boeing in Seattle and Les Salzer at AFBMD in Los Angeles. Bob Shoemaker is still at Wright-Patterson and Susott is living in Waco, Texas. Charlie and Jan Steel also at AWC, Carlisle Barracks. Dave and B.J. Silver have perked things up around Washington. I imagine Pop is about our senior member—at least he looks older to me than I do. John and Annette Sullivan living just outside Paris and thoroughly enjoying it while John is with HQ., EUCOM. John and Laurie Sanders recently back to the states from Japan with John now in Air Force Personnel. W.S. Scott, Selton, Sciolla and Fred Smith all in the Pentagon. So is "Hardrock" Staser.

Phil Toon at West Point and Truman, Tarpley and Trimmer in Washington.

Al Weston left Ft. Leonard Wood this winter for D.C. and Bob Wessels has managed to hide his tracks so well we can't locate him.

And at Ft. Campbell are Jim and Helen Young where Jim is S-3 of Div. Arty. of 101st Airborne. Jim put on the Founders Day dinner in March for graduates in Kentucky and Tennessee and it looked like a real affair from the invitations sent out.

If any of you have lost your '44 Howitzer or need one for any reason, let me know. One has turned up for sale in Alabama for \$10, postpaid.

—*Buford Norman*
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Memphis 11, Tenn.

1945

Class of 1945 news items and letters flowing this way have been uncommonly plentiful lately. To the several Fortytifers and their wives who have written in, directly or indirectly, we gratefully acknowledge your help. May this column reflect your poop accurately.

Jim Rouch has checked in with a complete run-down on '45 personalities at Maxwell AFB, deep in the heart of Dixie. Jim and Tom Curtis were boondoggling around the campus here recently when a personal confrontation evoked the promise resulting in the above mentioned letter. Those of you who may not have seen these two recently may be sure both time and the Air Force have dealt with them kindly. The only things they suffer from are the occasional calluses caused by frequent and protracted gripping of golf clubs and spiritous crystalware. Jim and Tom, along with E.D. Bruton, are blue-suit lecturers on the Warfare Systems School Faculty at Maxwell.

The Rouch report notes that Air War College student big Ed Rafalko is Papa again, this time to a new baby girl. Congratulations Ed. Bob Trimble is Base Procurement Officer and Marty Brewer is a "Den Mother" in Command and Staff at Maxwell. Sorry to learn that Marty's wife had been hospitalized for the last 5 or 6 months, but glad to hear she is improving and will soon be out.

Murray Field, Tony Parrish, Ken Jackson, Ken Russell, Fred Bond, Homer Minckler, Earl Thompson, Wilbur Pugh, and John Campbell are now attending the Air Force Command and Staff College, according to Jim. The column could use a pix of this group and we hope Founders Day may provide the opportunity to make same.

John and Marge McDonald bring us up-to-date as of the first of the year on the Denver and Air Force Academy situations. The McDonald poop arrived two weeks late for the winter issue and may require some interpolation at this writing.

Marge mentions that John and Pat Ludlow will be leaving the AFA in June for a one year stint at the University of Chicago. Also come June, Jesse Gatlin will have finished Ph.D requirements at Denver University and will then move into an English teaching slot at AFA. According to Marge, Bill Hollis was, and I presume still is, working at the Martin Aircraft plant in Denver. Bob Lake was a visiting observer of the Martin operations this past winter, too.

Beyond the Ludlows and Jake Gatlin already mentioned, other AFA personnel

of interest to this column include Ray Basham, Joe Byron, Bill Manlove, and Frank Marvin. Johnny MacWherter was due to report to the Colorado Springs version of the original sometime this past January.

A final paragraph of the McDonald letter mentions a post-game get-together enjoyed this past fall with Larry Jones, Bill Haines, Steve Day, Mel Price, and Tom Godwin, with wives and among others, following the Army-Nebraska tussle.

The OKLAHOMA CITY TIMES of January 28, 1961, ran a feature story on our own Andy Carhartt. A minister of administration since 1958 at the First Presbyterian Church of that city, Andy became a full-time pastor of the Capitol Presbyterian in mid-February. As some of you may remember, Andy retired from the Army in 1947 with eye trouble diagnosed as detached retina. It took three operations to correct his eye condition, which is now wholly mended. We are certainly glad to hear this Andy, and best wishes in your new church assignment.

Del Fowler came through with a pre-Christmas note that arrived a few days too late for inclusion in the last column but should still be a fairly accurate run-down on some of the classmates in Germany or thereabouts. Del and Ricky are in Heilbronn, where Del is assigned to the 237th Engineer Battalion. He expects to be reassigned sometime this summer, but at the time of writing did not know just where.

Stationed in Heilbronn also are Joe McDonough and Bob Tongue. Joe is serving as S-3 of the 54th Infantry after an earlier stint as executive officer. Bob is with the 101st Ordnance Battalion.

Other Fowler items note that Hank Hughes is now commanding the 46th Armored Infantry Battalion in Munich. Hank had earlier been aide to Seventh Army CG, General Farrell. Moose Hardy commands an infantry battalion with CCA of the 4th Armored Division in Ulm. Moe Wright is in the Engineer Section of Seventh Army and Bill Barnes functions with G-4, USAREUR Hq, Heidelberg.

Some of the '45 Engineers who started out as platoon leaders in Austria shortly after graduation are now back in Europe again, Del observes reminiscently. These early leder-hosen types have had their roles changed considerably. For instance, Dorsey Mahin, after a few years of medical school, is back in the Army with the 2d General Hospital in Landstuhl, Germany, and Rocky Rochefort is now with the MAAG in Bonn. Roscoe Barber is another member of the original Austrian contingent who is back on the continent.

Del reports having seen in and around Heidelberg at one time or another within the past year Barney Broughton, Jim Brownell, Barney Dailey, and Jim Elkey, since departed. Thanks for a newsy letter Del.

An interesting letter from Ted Wagner reports on a few classmates seen during his wanderings from his Oak Ridge, Tennessee, base. In a visit to Ann Arbor late last year, Ted spent an evening with Ross and Jean Campbell and their two youngsters. Ross is an attorney in Ann Arbor and his practice keeps him quite busy.

Ted mentions that Jim Ruth is now in the construction business in Fort Myers, Florida. Shortly after resigning, Jim became seriously ill but has since recovered sufficiently to allow him to get back to his work, though at an easy pace. The Ruths have two children in Fort Myers grade-school. Another Wagner trek brought him to the Randy and Rosemarie Heard domicile at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Randy has been with the Air Force ROTC unit there for almost three years and expects a graduate schooling assignment in September. Jim Stuart is also on the VPI campus working for his master's in aeronautical engineering which he expects to receive this summer.

By way of the grapevine we learn that Jim Neal is still with the Noblesville, Indiana, DAILY LEDGER and a suburban resident of that city at 7670 East 126th Street.

A short note from Moe Wright to the class hierarchy at Christmas-time mentions that Cal Boleyn and Bob Stetekuh are with Seventh Army headquarters in Europe. As noted above, Moe is with the Engineer Section of Army Seven.

The class roster and directory recently disseminated has provoked a lot of favorable comment from the ranks. Several notes of thanks have been received by our officialdom in Washington, along with a few corrections. These communications are appreciated and I feel sure the class officers will grant me license to acknowledge collectively all the kind replies that have filtered back. Occasionally, one of these letters will contain additional information of class interest and since they have been shared with your columnist, they are reported here.

A letter to Pat Powers from Carl Steinhagen is typical. Carl writes that he is in a new position with a new company, Hamilton Standard Division of United Aircraft Corporation, Windsor Locks, Connecticut. As Chief of Engineering Planning his operation involves advanced product planning and preliminary design. He mentions that he has switched technologies from electronics to mechanical, with emphasis on products rather than super-systems. Carl and wife Mary Jane reside at 9 Sunset Hill Road, Simsbury, Connecticut, and he extends an invitation to classmates passing through that neck of the woods to drop in to see him.

Dan Whitcraft reports a change in his status, too. After five years with General Electric, he recently joined a new, non-profit organization being formed to assist in systems engineering and technical direction of the Air Force ballistic missile and space programs—the Aerospace Corporation. Dan is one of the charter members of this new company and functions as its Director of Government Relations. Contrary to natural conclusions, getting back to sunny California was not the decisive consideration prompting his decision to change.

Exploiting a Christmas card or two, and not all my own, either, may not be entirely ethical but it does add copy to the column. Useful copy, too. For instance, did you know:

Chris and Martha Christianson are still enjoying the climate of the 50th state. Chris is back with troops and latest address is 7th How Bn, 11th Arty APO 25,



Who do you think knew his picture was being taken?

San Francisco. I believe that adds up to Schofield Barracks.

Dick and Pat Crane hadn't gone overseas at Christmas-time. Fort Carson is still home base for these two plus two, where Dick is planning and analyzing for NORAD. Contact point is 1102 Milky Way, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Trude and Bill Stuckey can still be reached at 650 N. Main Street, Kenton, Ohio.

Jeanne and Burt Hause are way down in Beeville, Texas, banking and haberdashing "on the border".

Sally and Bill Wolfe, plus newly assigned Barbara, expect to open their new CP somewhere in the vicinity of Headquarters, Allied Forces, Southern Europe, Naples, Italy, o/a 1 March 1961. The rear echelon may not accompany right away, of course. Bill will be with Operations Division.

Arch Kimbrough remains in "Big-D" but now at 4008 Shannon Lane.

Patrick Air Force Base, Florida, claims at least two '45ers. Tom Gleason is stationed there, while Willy Clark functions with NASA at the same location. Harriet and George Eyster visited with both over Christmas. By the way, old trooper Eyster expects to leave Ft. Benning sometime this summer for a long tour "most anywhere". George almost had a homestead exemption going for him there on the banks of the Chattahoochee.

Speaking of Ft. Benning and our dwindling contingent there, George Eyster did manage to get them together recently for lunch in one of his mess-halls. From left to right you'll recognize Aus Yerks, Bob Tobias, Mel Gustafson, George Eyster, Rolfe Hillman, Joe Hill, and Ralph Hinman. Bob Tobias and Ralph Hinman are Columbus civilians with insurance and laundry business interests respectively. By the way, Aus Yerks was over to the Army's Pictorial Center on Long Island recently planning a movie on ranger training.

Keith Nusbaum, John Vallaster and Jack Fehrs are scheduled to be classmates all over again beginning in August at AFSC, Norfolk. There may be other '45ers going, but this is the list as I have it at this time.

Harry Stewart has helped us keep tabs on traffic in the Tidewater area of old Virginia. From the depths of the Combat Developments Section, Hq USCONARC, Ft. Monroe, Harry offers

the following run-down: at Langley AFB are Ivan Foster and Harry Walker, both at Hq, Tac Air Cmd; in Norfolk at AFSC are Offa Nichols and Dan Nelson, both on Air Force scholarships; at Ft. Eustis in the Transportation Corps School is ex-'45 James W. Jones; in mufti in Norfolk is Warren W. Cobb, who, rumor has it, deserted the land forces to run a marina; and at Ft. Monroe, in CONARC, are Tom Longino, Comptroller's Section, Dan Prescott, Aviation Section, and Houghton Lohn, along with Harry, in the Combat Developments Section. Houghton is on orders to USMA this summer.

Harry Shaw should be just about through his international relations course at the University of Virginia by now. The Tidewater group above mentions seeing him occasionally.

Via Bob Krebs we learn that George and Carol Adkisson welcomed the arrival of little Gail on February 18. And while on the subject of new arrivals, we aren't sure that the debut of little Georgia Garman last May 17 (1960) was ever credited to our near-by neighbors, George and Frances Garman. The Garmans will be leaving West Point this summer for Ft. Leavenworth C&GSC. Although George is within inches of finishing requirements for his doctorate at Columbia, he may not complete his dissertation prior to leaving USMA and Morning-side Heights. Congratulations to both the Adkissons and Garmans!

We are sorry to hear that Colonel Boettcher, Jack Boettcher and Bonnie LaBoon's father, died recently. Bonnie is Jack's sister and wife of Frank LaBoon.

Word reaching us confirms that Faye Worthington has been assigned to OCE, DA, in the great marbled-hall CP.

The Class of 1945 has been greatly saddened to learn of the death of classmate and friend, Joe Senger. He died of a cerebral hemorrhage at the U. S. Army Hospital in Landstuhl, Germany, 29 December 1960. At the time of his death Joe was assigned to Hq 4th Logistical Command, Verdun, France. He was buried here at West Point January 9, with several classmates from near-by stations present for the funeral. Tom Nichols escorted the family back from Europe. Jayne Senger and the three children are living temporarily with relatives in Erie, Pennsylvania. After July 1, their address will be 29 West 34th Street, Erie. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Jayne and all the Senger family as we share a part

of the great loss they feel so keenly.

A deadline blast from Ras Rasmussen notes that Bill Perry reported in mid-February for duty with the Combat Materiel Division of OCRD. Bill and Barbara and their six youngsters are living in Fairfax outside D.C.

Ras also mentions that Jerry Briscoe finally got off to his Asst MA slot in Laos. Nancy and children will remain in Arlington, Virginia, while Jerry is away.

Anyone desiring a copy of the USMA Class of 1945 *Howitzer* may obtain same by contacting Lt. Col. Fred E. Rosell, Jr., USA Chemical Corps School, Ft. McClellan, Alabama. Price is \$10.00 and he has only one.

During the deepest, darkest part of the "gloom period" just passed, the West Point coterie assembled outside the walls and feted Dale Hall and all his coaching assistants. George Benson, George Forssell, George Garman, Bob Parr, and Dick Carnes provided the hi-jenks that kept everyone laughing. The class made Dale and Faye a present of those "last six yards" which fate so cruelly snatched away from all of us in Philadelphia last fall.

Departing the USMA scene sometime this summer will be Melba and Bill Boiler, Eleanor and Larry Hardin, and Joan and George Forssell. The Forsells will be heading to Europe but the others have not received firm orders at the time of this writing. They will certainly be missed by the rest of us here at West Point.

A letter from Pat Powers contains several items of official interest to the whole class. Pat has now received orders to Korea and he will exit the Washington scene o/a 30 March. The mantle of the class presidency falls on George Casey, present VP, when Pat departs Washington. Also required is the appointment of an interim vice president, but this action has not been consummated yet.

Pat would like to have everyone know that a class luncheon will be held at the Pentagon on 9 May for the purpose of electing new class officers and making reports of the class officers and board of governors. John Pauly (telephone Oxford 7-2894) can be contacted for exact time and place. Any '45er in the area is urged to attend this class luncheon.

The class has now established a permanent mailing address in the Washington area. This CIC (Class Information Center) should afford a clearing house and permanent point of contact for the future. Any class business, action, or announcement can be initiated by writing to the CIC at the following address:

West Point Class of 1945
Box 15, Fort Meyer
Arlington 11, Virginia.

The class officership has asked me to publicize the need for volunteer geographical information contacts. In both state-side and overseas areas where the '45 population is comparatively heavy, there is a need for a classmate to report to the CIC officially the class comings, goings, and doings. The volunteer will change from time to time, but the baton should not be dropped with these changes. Anyone willing to function in this capacity in the present class population centers around the world is encour-

aged to make known that willingness by writing the CIC at the address given above.

Pat Powers has done a grand job as Class President during this transfer of class machinery to the D.C. area. He, along with the other officers, has given us an overall direction that we haven't had since Bob Woods bade us for the last time "pass in review" Good job, Pat.

Will sign 30 for now, hoping I have not left out anyone's poop. Of course, if I have, or misquoted you, please forgive the error and give me the chance to correct it with the next column.

—Orv Post

West Point, NY

1946

Tempus fugit! Glance at the calendar, grab you wife, rev up your motor, and head for the Point! We hope to see as many of you as can make this trip so the Fifteenth Reunion of the Class of 1946 will go down in history. You have all received the mailings from the men at the Academy giving you the program. We should all have fun. See you soon.

Dick Tuck, who is stationed at the Point, has written to give us some inside details of the hard working 15th Reunion Committee. Obviously a lot of work and planning is necessary to pull off a deal like this, so let us now thank all those members of the class at West Point (39 strong) for their energetic efforts to give the rest of us a rousing good time.

Recent arrivals at West Point include Roy Thurman and Charlie and Joanne Simmons. Roy is the new Tac for C-2 company with address of Dept. of Tactics and Charlie is Associate Professor in the Dept. of Social Sciences. Come June there will be new arrivals, and of course some departures. Tuck is with the Dept. of Foreign Language.

Percy Wheeler, now back in form and fully recovered from his long illness, leaves the French Dept for an assignment with USAREUR (France). Bud Devens, now on TDY at Leavenworth, with Mary and the children at the Point, will also go to France this summer. Van Baker and Hal Terrell will leave the Academy this summer for Leavenworth where they may possibly be the last of the class to attend the Regular Course.

Tapped for the August-January course at the Armed Forces Staff College are Fred Alderson, Frank Blazey, Hal deMoya, George Fink and John Stannard. Other classmates stationed elsewhere who have been selected for this course include Hal Hallgren, Ben Brown, Ken Van Auken, Billy Penergrass, Joe Meerbott, George Patton and Charlie Hall.

The group at West Point had a fine New Year's Eve party at Cullum Hall sponsored by the artillerymen under the direction of Van Baker. Prior to this dinner-dance they enjoyed cocktails at Bill and Hope McCollam's qtrs. Since New Year's, WGR's and the large quantities of snow have provided the primary source of entertainment up to the time this is written. Among the mid-winter visitors to the Point were John and Pat Nance, Tony Wesolowski, Dave Baker, Bentz and Ned and Eleanor Mewborn.

Mildred Miller, Mezzo-soprano star of the Metropolitan Opera, and her husband, Col. Wesley Posvar, announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, Lisa Cristina, born 18 Sep 60 in the Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs. Miss Miller, who recently completed a new recording with Bruno Walter and the New York Philharmonic of Mahler's "Das Lied von der Erde", will make additional recordings with Dr. Walter for Columbia Masterworks. She will fulfill her scheduled coast-to-coast concert tour, and will again appear with the Metropolitan Opera Co. in New York.

Davidson-Kennedy Co, Atlanta machinery manufacturer, has named Tom C. Campbell vice president. He will serve as president of Manufacturers Products Co., a wholly owned subsidiary. Prior to joining Davidson-Kennedy, Campbell was regional manager of Foote Bros. Gear and Machine Corp, formerly Whitney Chain Co. He was previously production engineer at Central Soya Co, Chattanooga. Campbell is a Registered Professional Engineer, a member of American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers. In his new capacity Tom will direct sales for Davidson-Kennedy, designers and manufacturers of machinery for the vegetable oil mill, fertilizer and textile industry.

Anyone looking for a class Howitzer? Lt. Col. Fred E. Rosell, Jr. USA Chemical Corps School, Fort McClellan, Alabama has one for sale. The price is \$10.00 postpaid anywhere in the continental US. Anyone interested please contact Rosell direct.

In addition to Bud Devens, the following are attending the 16-week associate course at the Army Command and GSC, Fort Leavenworth: John Armstrong, Herb Schulke and Ed Collins. The course will be completed May 4. John's wife Kathryn is staying in Calif at 54 Meadow Drive, Mill Valley. After the course they will go to Europe. Herb is an associate professor, Dept of Electricity, USMA and Delores is staying at West Point while Herb is at Leavenworth. Ed is assigned to the U. S. Army Element Hq, Hq European Command in Paris.

Received a card from Harlan Koch that just missed the last issue. He, Dottie and their daughter Diane (age 9) are at Leavenworth (320-2 Third Street) where Koch is attending the 60-61 Reg Course. Harlan took Chinese at the language school last year and is hoping for assignment in Taiwan. He wishes to inform the class that last November Warren Hearnese was elected Secretary of State of Missouri. Our congratulations to you Warren. Hearnese was majority floor leader in the Missouri House of Representatives. He and his wife Betty live at Charleston, Mo.

Joe McKinney is taking jet qualification and then expects to go to AFIT for PhD this fall. Joe's address: 48 Aspen Way, Eglin Auxiliary Fld 9, Fla. Joe has four children Marilyn (12), Thomas (10), Susan (8) and Catherine (5). Jesse Green is down that way too. Joe sees Si Hunt fairly regularly and has seen Merl Hutto at base ops.

Rex Sheffield is serving his second hitch in Korea with the 1st Cav Div

Arty as Div Arty S-2 somewhere near "Mickey Mouse Konners". His APO is 24, San Francisco. His wife Linda and daughter Mary (7) are awaiting his return in Burbank sometime this October. In Korea with Rex is Jack Hoar who is in the 31st FA Bn as S-3. Jack has a Doctorate in History and speaks Japanese fluently.

From Ft. Riley, Kansas comes word of Bill Stone. Bill and Mary Jane have been at Riley since June '58 and expect to stay till June '62. Bill is currently S-3, 701st Ord Bn and Division Ammunition Officer of the 1st Inf. Div. Their quarters -379 B Stone Court. The children line up as follows: Betsy (11); Billy (9); Sally (4); and Susan (2½). Bill transferred from Inf to Ord in June '60 and attended the Ordnance Staff Officer and Guided Missile Course (18 weeks) at Redstone Arsenal last year. Bill is quite happy with the Ordnance.

Tom Constant is assigned to MAAG, Vietnam where he is an advisor to the Vietnamese Military Academy which is located in a beautiful mountain area called Dalat. Clarine and Stevie are with Tom with address: Box 27, APO 143, San Francisco. Dave Brillhart has recently been elevated to a position of Second Vice-President in Guaranty Trust Co, NYC. He, Joan and their three children live at 10 Westminster, Summit, N.J. Bill Stone mentioned that he grew up in Caldwell, N.J. which is just over the hill from Verona where I live. To answer one of Bill's questions I have only lived in this area, and the state of New Jersey as well, for the past 5 years.

Phil Farris currently living at 90-3rd Inf. Rd, Ft. Leavenworth is attending the Regular Course this season. As Phil related, his past endeavors seem to follow him, for he has been appointed (?) class reporter for the group there. In addition to this, he has been tagged by "officials anonymous" to act as editor of the Leavenworth regular class yearbook—The Bell. So of course '46 will be well represented. The Leavenworth group has had several festive social affairs during the winter season and look forward to some more good times before their graduation June 16. Unfortunately, the group will not be able to attend the 15th reunion, but they will be with us in spirit. For his group Phil sends warm greetings to our compatriots the world over.

Phil has included a list of all classmates in and about Leavenworth. I will include their names, but not address, since most of the addresses will be out of date by the time you could use same. However, if anyone would like a particular person's data I most certainly would forward same to them. The list: Agnor, Gunnar Andersson, Ashton, Ball, Barrett, Bassler, Jack Becker, Beckner, Bishop, Blum, Bolz, Russell Boyd, Brady, Bresnahan, Levi Brown, James Carter, Coleman, Steve Conner, Ed Crowley, Crizer, Cunningham, DeLong, Dixon, Edwards, Jim Elder, Elsaesser, Phil Farris, Fields, Friend, Gerardo, Gillig, Gosling, Gruenther, Alex Halls, Ben Hanson, Fred Hickey, Hoey, Kibbey Horne, Hoskins, Jaco, Jank, Dick Johnson, Joyce, Joy, Keehn, Key, Knapp, Koch, Lamb, Leininger, Andy LaMar, Lincoln, Matteson, Milton, Jack Montague, McDonough, Nichols, Pat O'Connor, Pagano, Pankowski, John Par-

ker, Pepe, Perkins, Quantz, Selwyn Rogers, Sandoval, Seeber, Shattuck, Sheffer, Thayer, Throckmorton, Torgerson, Treadwell, Troy, Bill Webb, Charley Williams, Minter Wilson and Wray. The following men were graduated on 16 Dec: Elisha Fuller, George Hagedon, Harry Smythe and Norm Stanfield. Neighbors of the Leavenworth group are: Ben Boyd, DeBow Freed, Billy Pat Pendergrass, Bill Stone, Bill Reed and Bryce Poe. Honorary members at Leavenworth are Maj. Charles Darby, Ord (USNA '46) and Lt Cmdr Elmer H. Kiehl, USN (USNA '46).

Last Xmas I received Guy Troy's annual armor report. As you can see from the list above he is also at Leavenworth. Consequently, much of his news would tend to duplicate Phil's. I will report what I have not already mentioned. There are 16 men of Armor there this year. Gosling, a former Engineer, transferred to Armor in 1955. Stanfield may now be in Heidelberg, Germany. Mase Rumney (Mary, Mason, John, Susan) should have been in the New Associate Course, and as far as I know was, this past winter-Spring 1961. Mase is regularly stationed at Bliss with OSWD, at 1309 Grissom Road, El Paso, Texas.

In Korea is Wallis in the G3 section of 8th Army and Dick Fuller who is in the J3 Division on UN USFK staff. Sue, Tip, Paige and Steve Fuller are staying in Sikeston, Mo and Dick's APO is 301. George Otte (Betty, George, Lois, Joy born 28 Dec 59) is working in the Chief of Staff's office, 1st Cav Div. McMasters are in Calif. and Burney (Mary, Loren, Dana) is with USAA&GM School at Ft. Sill. Conant is back at Sandia Base, address: DASA Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N.M. The Elders: 180 Patteson Road, Santa Marie, California. Jack Cassidy lives at 47 W. Devonia, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. Day is still at Murray State Teachers College, Murray, Ky. on ROTC duty. Bob Duncan is an insurance salesman living at Box 674, Sullivans Island, S.C. Margaret Duncan was born 25 July 60. Bob Frantz is a lawyer with Buchanan, Ingersoll, Rodewald, Kyle and Buerger, 180 Oliver Bldg, Pittsburgh, Pa. Gilham finished U of Va and is now in Washington with ACSI, living at 118 So. Pershing Drive, Arlington 4, Va. Willy Joffrion is in the insurance business living at 5058 Woodside Drive, Baton Rouge, La. Willy still gets to summer encampment at Ft. Hood. Bill and Elaine Kelty live in New Haven, Conn. where Bill is head of Winchester-Western Div of Olin Mathison.

Jack Kopald (Donna, Michael, Julie and a son) is at 210 N. Goodlett, Memphis, Tenn. as a stockbroker. Ben Landis (Biquet, Anne) is with 3rd A C, Ft. Meade living at 6 Woodland Ct. Laurel, Md. Roxbury (Lucy, Mark, Susan and Laura) is at 802 Sunset Drive, Prov Hill, Lexington, Va on ROTC. Schram is still with HRH Const Co., 579 5th Ave, NYC. Kit and Ginna Sinclair are at 11 Ferguson St., Ft. Rucker, Alabama, where Kit is in the Tactics Dept of the Aviation Sch. Streiff (Marion, Ricky, J.D.) is due to go to Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk. Traber (Peggy, Biff, Robert, Meg and one other) changed his insignia from Armor to Transportation Corps. He is now in flight school. Webb is at Naval C&GSC at 37D Adams Dr., Brenton Village, Newport, R.I. Vinny and Jo Gan-

non with their children Penny, Vinny, Peter, Mark, Kevin, Missy, John and Christopher (born July 1960) are with the 4th Recon Sqdn, 25 Div, Hawaii, APO 25.

In the 11th Cav in Germany, APO 305 are Bud Martin, Regt Hq and George and Joanne Patton. George is in the 1st Bn. Lockrie (Karma, Jane, Karma, Jimmy) is in Heidelberg with Roger Nye in USAREUR Hq, APO 403. Persons (Christine, Charlotte Ann, Alice and W.B.P. IV) is with SJA, 8th Div, APO 111, N.Y.

Papajohns and Bob Crowleys are in the NYC area while they are on ROTC at CCNY. Bernie Conors is with American Machine and Foundry. Max Ulrich is Asst to the V.P. of Consolidated Edison, NYC and Stew Harper is with International Electric Corp, Paramus, N.J. Bob Kren is in Hawaii as an S-3 of an Arty Bn. Cliff Parke is now head of Macy's food service and is a consultant for the Cadet Mess. Ed Houseworth is back from Formosa, and is now liaison representative from CONARC to the R&D Lab living at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. Cowey is with Sperry Rand on Long Island. Ben Hill is with Alleghany-Ludlan Steel and Dick Pitzer and Joe Clark are with Westinghouse all in Pittsburgh. Bill and Joyce Powers and their 3 children live at 211 Edgewood Rd, Butler, Pa. and Bill will make any classmate a good deal at Powers Cadillac Co. in Butler.

Jill Louise Sterling was born on 15 Oct 60 at Post Hospital, USMA. John and Connie Molchan and George and Pete Dorman are at Pease AFB. Bill and Marcella Stroud have adopted their second boy, Phil. Dick and Jeannie Carnright, formerly with TAC Dept, AF Academy are now in Syracuse with a space project that GE is conducting for the Air Force. The Carnrights have 2 boys and 2 girls.

As mentioned in the last issue I received a list of names and addresses of those currently living in the Washington, D.C. area. I will list the people sans addresses, but if any particular address is desired, please contact me. The list: Andy and Shirley Atkinson, Don and Iris Adair, Bob and Jean Allen, Ken and Jo Anne Barlow, Del and Lu Barth, Don and Nan Beyer, Bill and Jane Bishop, Shep and Claudia Booth, Truman and Annonne Boudinot, Mrs. Claire Bowley, Dave and Nancy Bryant, J.J. and Joan Byrne, John and Doolie Callaghan, Les Conger, Bill and Harriet Culpepper, Bob and Marge Daniel, Bud and Shirley David, Gene and Zane Deatrick, Stan and Phyllis Fair, Charles and Margie Fitzgerald, Tom Catch, Bill and Mary Gavin, Jack and Ann Gilham, Larry and Mary Ann Gordon, Danny and Ruth Graham, Byron and Betty Greene, George and Pres Hall, Milton and Martha Hamilton, Rut and Ann Hazzard, Pappy and Irene Hewett, John and Les Hill, Granville and Carol Hough, Don and Betty Hughes, Jim and Edie Inskeep, Paul and B.J. Ireland, Zeke and Boots Jordan, Harry and Ruth Knight, Ralph and Jane LaRock, Wayne and Judy Lawson, Jim and Belle Loomer, Stan and Betty Mattox, George and Nancy Miller, Morgan and Virginia Murphy, Charles and Winnie Myer, Twill and Dottie Newell, Tom and Felice Owen, Joe and Ginny Park, Bill and Betsy Parker, Bill and Mo Shelton, Jim and Lelia

Paschall, Ralph and Ann Pennington, Dick and Anne Pohl, Tom and Millie Provenzano, Miller and Jane Robinson, IG and Ranelle Rouillard, Del Rovis, Gene and Maribel Sharkoff, Sam and Sonja Skemp, Harry and Marie Smythe, Dick and Marian Streiff, Bert and Lib Stringer, Bill and Marcella Stroud, Mrs. Rae Thomas (Vernley F.) Don and Evelyn Watson, Mo and Midge Weber, Al and Dottie Wedemyer, B.B. and Jane Williams, Chuck and Gwenda Williamson, Al and Bobbie Wood, Bill and Blance Young, George Adams, Pete and Eleanor Bowers, Bob and Delores Case, Steve Gray, Bill and Ann Horton, Ben and B.K. Landis, Chaplain Thomas McMinn, Ed and Lucy Roxbury, Bob and Tessa Strudwick, Bob and Penny Wayne.

So be it for another issue. Here's hoping to see you all in June.

—Samuel E.H. France
3 Spruce Lane
Verona, N.J.

1947

This issue will be my last; who will take over next time, I do not know as yet. I can't say that I haven't had fun writing and after a couple of years respite, I shall not be reluctant to taking on the job again.

Here at West Point, the class ushered in the New Year by attending a gala party put on by the Boergers, Haskins, and Webbs at the Boergers' spacious quarters. Mr. and Mrs. Boerger, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer (Lois Salisbury's parents), Willie West, Jane and John Mastin were also present. Bill and Bunny Nairn stopped by returning from Washington, D.C. where they are building their home, on way back to Newport, R.I. Several weeks later, Frank and Barb Boerger visited with brother Pete on way to Rome.

Christmas cards were received from the following:

Hal and Kay Grossman in Moorestown, N.J. (working for RCA); Betty and George Maloney at Governor's Island (going to C&GS); Jim and Nancy Mattern in Taiwan; Andy and Marge Anderson in Izmir, Turkey where Andy travels a lot; Bill and Bunny Nairn; Ike and Ruth Snyder still enjoying France (coming back this summer for C&GS); Dick and Doris Littlestone (Ft. Bliss to C&GS); Bill and Ruth Clark now at Ft. Monmouth, N.J.; G.G. Kent somewhere *not* in Europe; John and Jo Hoover (in Germany as CO of 29th Sig Bn. where he has seen John Gerrity at G-2, USAREUR, Ike Snyder, Wayne Hauck and Don Dexter, CENTAG, G-1); Dan and Nell Hering (in San Diego) from Korea back to C&GS; Bob and Margot Koch at Annapolis where Bob has a Bn of Middies. They have seen Doris and Bill Sullivan, Posey and Tom Rogers, Bob and Nancy McCord; all from Washington area. Bill Coghill finishes up the Finance Career Course and expects to be assigned to Alaskan Command as Budget Officer, has two children, Tommy 1 and Bill 8; Dick and Joan Allen who hope that their fifth year in Washington in Sig C. R&D Army Combat Surveillance Agency is their last; Don and Jean Robb still at NORAD in Colorado; Jim and Dottie Enos, AF mission to Argen-

tina where they have large home with swimming pool, maids etc.

In addition to those mentioned above going to C&GS are Doc Haskin, George Lynn, Jim Fraser, Jay Bleiman, Willie Knipe and myself. Anyone else?

Very recent local additions to families have been a new girl for Dick and Mil Steinborn and a new girl and first child for Ben and Evelyn Hollander.

On 3 Dec, A-N-AF Journal gave Ted Mock a wonderful write-up. He is with Defense Atomic Support Agency in Washington and received the American Nuclear Society's 1960 Mark Mills Award in San Francisco for his work in "An Investigation of the Nuclear Properties and Applications of the Rare Gas Clathrate Compounds", a PhD thesis. On 31 Dec the Journal told of Bob Curtis presenting a paper at the American Nuclear Society Convention. Bob is at Univ. of Arizona.

The class congratulates the large new group of majors in the class. I'm sure there were many fine parties given throughout the world. Mike Dunham writes to say that he and Ruth attended a promotion and farewell party given by Bob Ehrlich down in Washington that Bob and Nancy McCord, Boo and Sue Riggs, Jim and Mary Anne Breedlove and Arnold and Pat Tucker attended also. Mike is going to the AFAM school at George Washington U. and expects to be graduated with a MBA in business and government in August. His next assignment may be with I.G. at Norton AFB as a B-52 driver.

Bobbie and I escorted the Cadet Squash team down to Navy the end of February where we saw Bill Cooper and Jackie and Tom Hayes and Margot and Bob Koch. Bob expects to go to Ft. Carson, Colorado to take over a HJ Bn in the 2d Msl Cmd.

Nell Hering, suntanned, called long-distance from the beach at San Diego with no particular news except to say that there is no finer place she would rather be than in San Diego unless it were Arizona! I'm contacting AT&T to put in a private toll line for us... Kidding aside, I enjoyed tremendously talking to you Nell and am looking forward to seeing you and Dan at C&GS in August... Bob Baer goes to AFSC in August... A letter from Mary Lou Eding-

ton says that Jim, in Iran, is fine and awaiting orders.

Until we meet again, good luck and farewell to all of you.

-Al Geraci
Department of Math
West Point, NY.

1948

This issue marks my last contribution as your Class correspondent. A most capable successor—Tom Bowen—has been "elected": It seems only a few weeks ago that I was "sweating out" that first deadline. I have enjoyed being able to dominate our exchanges by virtue of the power of the press; a situation which is naturally appealing to anyone noted for verbosity.

I was prompted, for this issue, to contact those whose names had not appeared in any of my previous efforts. Fortunately, many responded to the appeal, and hence this issue will concern itself primarily with a sort of "Pass in Review" of these good people. Tom will continue the coverage in the next issue for the late returns.

From Houston, Rodman Saville reports his own company still busily engrossed in the home building business. Rodman mentions seeing George Edwards frequently, including a deer hunt get-together last fall. Friends passing through are urged to check in at 4410 Richmond Ave. From Purdue University, the word is that Blaine Butler is out to get that Ph.D in Aeronautical Engineering. A tour at the AF Academy is a possibility after the bookwork. We know that Blaine does not spend all of his time studying, as he reports that he and Ann are the proud parents of their third young lady, Sally, now eight months old. Blaine reports seeing Harry and Sally Buckley as frequently as academics permit, as well as John and Pat Withers in Chicago last fall. Nase Mansour writes from La Grange, Ga., that he is kept busy working for Mansour's Inc., but also reported a new addition to the clan, making it a total of five, including Nace and Evelyn. Only fifty miles from Ft. Benning, Nace complains that he doesn't see enough of the '48 crowd. From Beverly Hills, California, Charley Skouras sends in a belated resume for the

Ten-Year Book. In '53, the big plunge was made—resigned from the AF, married Mary, and became engaged in the motion picture industry as an exhibitor. Now in the production end of the industry, Charlie boasts of a family which includes Charles, III (7) and Christianna (5).

Obviously enjoying the good California life, Danny DeFoe sends word that, in addition to managing the poultry farm, he is a Cubmaster, Choir Director, part-time dance and symphony musician, and PTA-er. With a devoted wife, three fine sons, a wonderful set of in-laws, two dogs, a cat, two cars, and a mountain retreat among the Sequoias, Danny was unable to find anything to complain about! From Ellsworth AFB, Jack Kastris writes that his work in the AFBMD on the Titan I missile sites has been the most satisfying of his career, as well as perhaps the most demanding. Jack, Audrey, and their four daughters have been at Ellsworth (Rapid City, S. D.) since August of last year. Jack mentions that Gaylord MacCartney is with him in the AFBMD Det. and that '48 has the situation well in hand, naturally.

Charley Nash reports the addition of another son since the Ten Year Book accounting, making it three boys and one girl. Still running a farm as well as his machinery business in Alderson, West Virginia, apparently keeps Charlie busy. Retiring in 1959 as a result of disabilities received in Korea, Saul Resnick is now engaged as Senior Industrial Engineer at Kelly AFB. Saul reports his work most rewarding, since he continues to make a direct contribution to the defense effort. Barbara and he have purchased a home at 327 Shadwell Drive in San Antonio and invite all transients to stop by. Jim and Betty Walk apparently have the formula for boys—two male additions having been added to the family since the last status report, arrival dates being 22 Jan '59 and 12 Feb '60. Jim has been stationed in the Psychological Operations Department of the Special Welfare School at Fort Bragg since Sept. '59, replacing Jess Hendricks. One of the last of a vanishing breed, eligible bachelor Joel Aron sends in the word that he remains "fat and happy" in his role as the Manager of Technical Programs for the Federal Systems Division of IBM in Washington. Jack Hamilton writes from Redstone Arsenal that he is heavily engaged as the R&D Program Director for the SHILLELAGH missile. He and Betty, with daughters Susan (8) and Sally (7), have been in Huntsville since July '59 when they returned from Bayern. Jack reports as neighbors Reuben and Nickie Anderson with son Reuben, Jr. (5).

From Austin, Texas, Dotsy Graves does an excellent job of reporting in the absence of Warren, who is up in Labrador at "The Goose" (AFB) looking for housing for the Graves contingent. After serving as pilot and AC for SAC in B-29 tankers for 3½ years and in B-47's for five years. Warren stayed on the ground long enough to earn his MBA at the U. of Texas, in June 1960. During a short interim tour at Bergstrom AFB (Austin), Warren lucked into becoming a Project Officer for the yearly SAC Bombing Competition. October found Warren in the CE course at Wright-Patterson only a lit-

Promotion to Major



Left to right: Maj. A. J. Geraci, J. J. Bleiman, J. W. Mastin, R. D. Peckham, B. N. Hollander, J. F. Fraser, M. P. Robinson.

tle shaken by his experience, and with a new Commendation Medal in his pocket. Those planning a trip North during the summer may contact Warren c/o 4082d CE Sqdn, APO 677, N.Y., N.Y. Dotsy, Edwin, Reed, and Windy hope to join him in late May or early June. At the risk of incurring a libel suit I am quoting an excerpt from a communicate received from one of our "legalized" classmates, Bill Madden. Bill states "... I am: (1) completing my fifth year in the practice of law here in Denver; (2) the proud head of a one man law firm (need clients desperately—if a member of the Bar Association Grievance Committee reads this, I am only jesting); (3) not making twice as much as I would be in the Air Force; (4) working ten times as hard as I *did* in the Air Force and three times as hard as I *should have*; (5) presently enjoying the company of Bob Van Arsdall (Bob is sitting around the Martin Co. missile plant until June); (6) wondering why Cancelliere never answered my Christmas card and appended note...; (7) wondering where J.J. McCuen, J.J. Buckley, and Bill Lynch are and how they're doing; (8) extending a sincere invitation to classmates to drop in for a visit and as many highballs as they deem safe (don't let Carolyn Barber see the suggested beverage); (9) still involved in the original marriage to Ann; (10) still the admitted father of only one child, Eugenie, who is now in the fifth or sixth grade; (11) continuing to enjoy the accomplishments of my service classmates; and (12) proud that I have been able to sustain family and self without assistance of relatives or a single wealthy client, and still maintain my Republican political inclination." Why, shades of Abe Lincoln, Bill! Thanks for your permission to quote from your letter and congratulations on your work in setting up the office of the Judicial Administrator for Colorado Courts!

A note from Hugh Perry in Torrington (Conn.) brings the news of the third Perry heir, Elizabeth, born on 21 Jan. '59. Hugh promised that he and Barbara would certainly try to make it over for at least one game next Fall. (Please do, Hugh!) Mike Tashjian writes that he is presently with the Richmond Air Procurement District of the USAF and would enjoy seeing any '48ers passing through Richmond (717 N. Pinetta Drive, Richmond 35, Va., BR 2-0329). Two daughters and one son round out the Tashjian household. The welcome mat is also out at a brand new home located at 936 West Outer Drive, Oak Ridge, Tenn., according to Harwell and Louise Smith. Apparently the "?" in the Ten Year Book was a boy, as Smitty boasts of two sons and one daughter. A Development Engineer with the Union Carbide Nuclear Company, Smitty reports the job interesting, and the extra curricular activities demanding, including the Lions Club, a Bowling League, Church activities, PTA, Playhouse, and the Army Reserve. The latter takes him to the Pentagon for two weeks each year, Pentagonites please note. George Edwards reports some vital statistics: married Maurine Cowan in June '55, a son, Harry Christopher (4), a daughter, Camilla Claire (3), and another heir expected in the near future. Engaged in the construction business since

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"Modest winners "

'56, George has been making the rounds of Colorado, Florida, and Texas, seeing Rodman Saville and Ken Ruddy reasonably often. He notes that Ken and Teresa Ruddy now have seven (7) little Ruddys, and that Ken continues to operate a Chevrolet agency in Beaumont—in his spare time, that is. You may write George at 6414 Neff St., Houston. In Dayton with the ARDC since Sept of '59, George and Genny Rutter are looking forward to AC&SC at Maxwell this September. George also reports the presence of young Hollis Elizabeth who will celebrate her first birthday this April. Happy Birthday, Hollis! Others still in Dayton include Carl Anderson, instructor in AFIT; Ben Loret, student in AFIT, and Bill Lyon with WADD.

A Shirley Highway commuter from Springfield (Virginia), Lou Jones bewails the fact that in the Army Budget Office new problems arise daily even before the old ones can be acted upon. A Pentagon veteran of almost two years, Lou mentions that Bob Ward has been making the good fight in the Comptroller's Office next door, and was recently rewarded with a Commendation Medal by Lt. Gen. Traub. Stay in there pitching, Lou, and thanks very much for the note. Here's wishing the best of health for your son George Albert on the completion of his impending tonsillectomy. In addition to commanding the 1st Missile Bn, 70th Artillery, a unit which is actively engaged on a twenty-four basis in the Baltimore-Washington defense, Carl Schmidt serves as the Assistant Superintendent of the Contract Department of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and handles all of their contractor clients from Michigan to the Atlantic, and the whole of Canada. A Director of the West Point Society of Maryland, Carl still finds time to do some scouting for potential Army



"cheerful losers."

lacrosse All-Americans. Your planned trip to Nassau sounds long overdue, Carl; congratulations on the fine job you are doing on all fronts. To complete the record, Carl and Deed have acquired a fourth daughter, Melanie (8 months). Our poor lonely bachelor from the Washington area penned a note that can hardly be improved upon, so I will quote it for you: "Rich Cooper is finishing up an enjoyable three-year tour in Washington and will be going to C&GS at Ft. Leavenworth in August." You are commended for your conciseness, Rich, but we suspect that the part "... enjoyable ..." could easily have been expanded to book length. From Englewood (California) Dick Berry writes that his three years with the AFBMD have been the best of his career, having been closely associated with the Thor missile and responsible for the development and launch of the Thor Ablestar, which was used to launch into orbit the Army's Courier satellites and the Navy's Transit satellites. Dick and Trish report two additions since the Ten-year book census (no details), and recommend highly the climate of Southern California.

From Germany, Randy Beirne reports that he is commanding Co. B of the 46th Infantry (CCA, Third Armored Division) near Butzbach. Randy and Bimmy and their three children are not quite sure that living over a butcher shop in Giessen fits their idea of a permanent abode, but greatly prefer it to a separation of the family. It is refreshing to hear that somebody is "out leading the troops", Randy, and we all wish you a speedy move "on post"! From England (AFB, Louisiana) Bob and Nancy Pater have let it be known that they have not been exactly idle the past few years, with Laurie (7), Benjamin (5), Leslie (2), and Robert, Jr. (1), to prove it. A long-time resident of England AFB, Bob is presently Operations Officer of the 612 TFS of the 401 TFW. A fantastic number of TDY's state-side and to Europe has made Bob practically a transatlantic commuter. Bert Bertoni took time out during his two weeks at the Employment Indoctrination Course at Maxwell to inform us that he and Rosalie are happy to rejoin the military community by virtue of his recent assignment to Ft. Meade. Bert passed on the news that Sims Dildy had proudly announced the arrival of Sims, Jr., a few months ago, and that after six or seven years at Whiteman AFB, Sims had moved on to Ft. Worth. Jesse Kelsey reports that following three years in the ROTC business at V.M.I., he is studying Russian at the ALS in Monterey, and hopes to go to Columbia U. this fall for a year's work. Jesse, we will expect you to take time off from your studies long enough to help us cheer for the Army team this fall. (On family front, Jesse and Anne report no change from their previous quartet of two boys and two girls.) From Ft. Lewis, Monk and Mary Virginia Doty, along with Mark (8) and Virginia (5), claim that they must be the only 48ers in the State of Washington. Serving as S-1 of the 1st BG 12th Inf (4th Div), Monk reports this "togetherness" is great, particularly after having returned from Korea during August of last year. At present, Monk is scheduled to become the As-

sistant to the Division Chief of Staff; apparently they need that '48 touch in the higher echelons.

An on-the-spot report from the "Land of the Morning Calm" has been provided by Ash (The One and Only) Foote. With Marian, Ashby III (9), and Cissie (7) settled at 115 E. Lakeview, Clinton, Miss. and all busily going to school, Ash's main worry appears to be that he will be the least educated member of the family when he returns. Upon landing in Korea, Ash wound up in the S-3 Section of Div. Arty, 7th Inf Div, where he spent much of his time working up "hard, but fair" Battery tests. He reports spotting Squeak Webber of the 1st Cav, and Don McClelland Asst. Chemical Officer of the 7th, as well as Howie Adams who has since returned to stateside. Don and Ash apparently were able to keep each other out of trouble during a joint "R&R" to Tokyo over the New Year holidays, but by "leaving the ranch" Ash returned to find himself as S-3 of the 4th Bn (105, 155), 76th Arty, and is now working furiously to get ready for the "chicken" tests that Div is about to throw at him. Scheduled for C&GS in August, Ash uses his spare time to "count the days" In closing, Ash did wish to assure one and all that a toast to the "best Class of all" would be drunk at the 14 March Founders Day dinner in Seoul! A short note from Ed and Ann Callanan, 5106-24th Avenue, Washington, D.C., informs us that Frank and Jean Cancelliere live just around the corner from them. In addition to mentioning high taxes and terrible weather, Ed does recommend the "Concrete Carousel" as a finishing school for higher staff work. He describes the DSCLOG work as "educational". For further details, contact Ed directly.

Thanks to wife Ann, Jack Peppers has finally been heard from. Busy seems to be the word for this sterling '48er who has found the time and ability to practically run Tampa single-handed. President of the local brewery, General Manager of a large Philco distributorship, Vice President of the Northwestern Acceptance Corp. in Tampa, and president of several social and civic organizations around the town, all serve to vindicate his cadet nickname of "Pep". Jack, if you can bottle that energy and export it, I am sure there are many tired Classmates who would be in the market for it. Other accomplishments, assisted by Ann, include a fine collection of children—Jamie, Don, Sarah, and Michael. A trip to Acapulco and Mexico City last year is proof that "Pep" relaxes sometimes. Transients are invited to "check in" whenever the opportunity presents itself. Out on the West Coast, a humorous note comes from F. A. Johnson. Exercising some discretion, I will quote only in part. In describing his swimming pool, F.A. says "... (it) is big enough for three runts or one Jack Kean—it really is for kids (which is why I thought of Jack). My business is looking up—yes, my company is in SPACE. We have a contract at Holliman, for instance, for maintaining space monkeys—and those days at W. P. gave me an excellent background. For Ed Callanan's information, F.A. added that he still has his hair, red nose, jowls, and varicose veins. Those wishing more of this sort of patter are

encouraged to write 1680 Jones Lane, Los Altos, Calif. From L.A., a note announces the addition of Arthur, III, to Art and Jean Snyder. Art is with Mutual Fund Associates, Inc. And there you have it, from my "special" correspondents for this issue! My sincere thanks to all of you who took the trouble to drop a line.

A Christmas Card which missed the last deadline brought the news of Jack and Mary Ella Waggener's new daughter, Mary Deal, born 10 Sept. '60. Jack reports AC&SC at Maxwell particularly enjoyable due to the other '48ers there. From Kitzbuhel, Bill Dougherty was reporting two feet of new powder (snow) on the 7th of February. In spite of a previous report in this column, Eastman Kodak recently announced the appointment of Chuck Shook as Manager of Business Recruitment in the Business and Technical Personnel Department (Tom Tyree please note). John and Connie McEnergy recently set up operations at Ft. Meade, where John is in G-1, Second Army. Add two more rooters for the Fall campaign! A note from Bud Freeland of the North Jersey Foundry Company in connection with the WP Soc. of N.Y.—sorry we could not make it down for the N.Y. Founders Day dinner, Bud. On the local scene, Jack and Pat Osteen announce the arrival of Ann Hannum, born 24 February. Jack is scheduled to attend the AFSC in August, along with Gunder Patch. Bob and Phyllis Hallahan made it number five on the 26th of December with the arrival of John Stephen. Congratulations to all of the new heirs reported in this issue! (I have heard that Frank and Jean Cancelliere had their eighth around Christmas time—no details as yet.) Jack Capps announces that the Class Tree survived the Winter in excellent shape. Led by such stars as Ken Olson, Merle Sheffield, Charlie Alter, and Tom Jones, the Class of '48 broom hockey team swept over a valiant but hopelessly outclassed pick-up team from the Class of '47 during a '47-'48 skating party held recently at Smith Rink. After scoring 6 quick goals, the '48ers eased off enough so that the final score was only 9-3 in our favor. Actually many of us felt that we had pushed our older opponents a little too vigorously, and only hoped that they would eventually regain their strength with no permanent effects, physical or mental. Some of the '47 participants were checked on the ice so dynamically that they became confused for a while, and at times even thought that they were on the winning team! Plans for June Week this year tentatively include a Class cocktails-dinner-dance affair during the early part of June Week. Those who believe they may be able to make it up for any part of June Week are urged to contact Tom Jones (MA&E), Jim Macklin (Law), or any one of us up here as soon as possible so that we may assist you in any way we can, and can advise you of the details as they develop. Fran Schless recently informed me that he is very disappointed in the response to the note in the last issue concerning his new official title.

In closing, I would like to thank you all for your support and the many nice letters. I would especially like to thank my good wife Lynn for her "understanding"

through this trying period. Lynn, Carter, and Robin join me in sending our very best wishes to the Class of 1948, wherever you are!

—Robbie Robertson

Department of Physics and Chemistry P.S. Tom Bowen (Dept. of MP&L) is hoping to hear from you.

1949

June Week will be only days away when this column is being read so let me first talk about that subject. We certainly hope that we will see a good representation of the class here this year because we have several activities in mind involving the class as a group. If you are coming and have not been advised in detail of the class functions, be sure that, as one of your first actions on arrival, you contact one of the class on post to get the schedule. Since we are not a reunion class we will have a special registration booth at Alumni Headquarters and personal contact is the best way to get the information.

A number of letters have been received in the past few months which will add greatly to this commentary. First of those was one from Bruce Carswell out at CGSC. He, with Bette and two daughters are part of the current class out there. He tells us that Bert Turner is aide to the CG of Leavenworth and Dave Bolte is on the faculty. Boyd Allen, Dene Balmer, Buz Barlow, Doc deCorrevont, Hill Dickinson, Joe Gibson, Ward Goesling, Jack Hodes, Jim Holt, Herb Hoot, Bob Kemble, Wes Knapp, Bob Lynch, Ted Marley, John McArdle, Art Mayer, Clay Moran, Chuck Olentine, Terry Powers, Ernie Roberts, John Sutton, Pat Vollmer and Ed Yellman are also in the class. He reported that the Knapps added one to their household in October and that the Hodes' are next up.

Frank Hinchion sent me a flyer from Washington, D.C. where he is organizing 49'ers in that neighborhood. Their initial activity was a dinner-dance at the Bethesda Naval Hospital Officers' Club on 17 March. It sounded mighty good. Following is a list of the class known to be in that area—I am sure that Frank would appreciate information about any not listed. Here goes: Ray Battreal, 3d Armd, Fort Meade; Tom Bullock, 2911 Landover, Alexandria (Air Attache School); Bill Bumpus, 5805 Dawes Ave., Alexandria (Consolidated-Electrodynamics); Jack Carr, Qtrs. 037, Fort Belvoir, Va. (Engr School); Dave Colgan, Arlington Towers (Air Attache School); Ernie Denham, 804 Sunbury Drive, Alexandria (CINFO); Pat Donohoe, 916 W. Estabrook Dr., Annandale (DASA); Al Fagg, 1429 44th St. N.W. (IBM); Ab Greenleaf, 4828 3rd, N. Arlington, (General Counsel Ofs, DOD); Dan Guyton, 1300 S. Arlington Ridge Road (AFOCE); Jim Hartinger, 10 Enid Place, Alexandria (AFORQ); Dick Henry, 3808 Wagon Wheel Rd., Alexandria (AFORQ); Frank Hinchion, 7905 Beech Tree Rd., Bethesda (Raytheon); Hugh Jenkins, Rm 1328, Bldg T-7, Gravelly Pt. (OCE); Maury Kurtz, 709 No. Ripley St., Alexandria (OCE); Russ Lamp, Bldg T-7, Gravelly Pt. (R&D, OCE); John Magnotti, 3d

Armd, Fort Meade, Md.; Ken McIntyre, 309 Forney Loop, Fairfax Village, Fort Belvoir (ERDL); Bob Miller, G-3 Sect, 2d Army, Fort Meade; Hugh Mitchell, 5307 Taylor Ave., Suitland, Md. (ARDC); Tom Moses, 3704 Norwood Dr., Alexandria (DCS, OPS); Bob Pfeiffer, 5817 23rd Place, Washington 21 (4th Weather Gp, Andrews); John Poulson, 2201 Little John Ct., Falls Church (ARPA); Collier Ross, 906 Chown Ave., Alexandria (OCSA); Bill Shiel, 5302 Shopton Dr., Camp Springs, Md. (ARDC, Andrews); Al Singletary, Fort Meade, Md.; Ed Wilford, 21 Bonnie Avenue, Bel Air, Md. (Martin Co); Murray Williams, 4248 Opaloka Dr., McLean, Va. (DCS, OPS) ... Our congratulations to you Frank, for your initiative in getting the group going around Washington. Let that be an example for the rest of you. Wherever there are two or more, get organized and let the old class secretary know what you are doing so we can give you some publicity.

Next a letter from Jack Wogan. Jack resigned from the Air Force last June and he, Katrina and six young ones (three of each) have settled at 100 Gaylord Street, Denver, Colorado. Jack is in the real estate business. He extends an invitation to all 49'ers going West or East through Denver to drop by. He tells us that John Walter, Tex McCrary and Dick Bowman are presently at the Air Force Academy and that Don Braun is also in the Colorado Springs area. He reports that Neal Judd with wife, Teddy, and three children are living in Atlanta, Georgia, where Neal is also in the real estate field.

I hope that those of you who read the Journal noted the recent releases concerning Dan McGurk and Charlie Cheever. Dan has been named Director of Marketing for TRW Computers of Beverly Hills, California. In this position he will supervise sales offices in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and Houston. Charlie Cheever was recently promoted to president of the Broadway National Bank, San Antonio, Texas. Our congratulations to both of you—we're green with envy.

A quick note from Chuck Reed out in Taipei tells us that he shares that part of the world with Bill Kennedy and Bob Estes. Anyone wanting information about an assignment over that way should address queries to Major John C. Reed, Box 9, NACC, APO 63, San Francisco.

Christmas cards received by various classmates on post here tell us that Jack Thomas with Leota and three children are at Fort Campbell; Weber Ivy with Betty Lou and two children are at Patrick AFB, as is Bill Lake; Jerry and Anne Lauer with four children are at Fort Bragg as are the Whistlers, Burts, Gillespies, Hendricks, Nulsens and Sheets; Clyde and Gail Bell with three children are at Fort Campbell; Joe Eagers, who recently transferred to the Corps of Engineers, is at Texas A&M with wife JoAnne and three children; Harry Griffith and family are at Ladd AFB in Fairbanks, Alaska, where Harry is with the District Engineer. Also in Alaska is Frank Wolak. Ted Swett is heading for El Salvador where he will be Infantry Advisor to their army.

Although the final confirmation is not in, we knew that John Armstrong was

planning a 7 January wedding to Margarete Burch in Traben, Germany.

Here at West Point we have been joined by Bill Streett and family. Bill is with the Post Engineers. Another addition—a daughter to Jonnie and Gerry Schulz on 2 February.

The Ten Year Book is still being assembled. Unfortunately, many of the master pages were lost in the mail and must be redone before the book can be printed. Those of you who have been sent letters asking for new information are requested to send it in as soon as possible. Please be patient, you will get your book before long.

A new slate of officers has been elected for the coming year at West Point. Elected were:

Dick Tallman	President
Joe Kingston	Vice President
Turner Croonquist	Secretary
Ben Suttle	Treasurer

This means that Turner Croonquist will be handling the column for the next year so please address all news to: Captain H.T. Croonquist, Department of Mathematics, USMA, West Point.

This finishes my final entry. Thanks to all of you who sent in news. I look forward to seeing you all at some time in the future.

—James M. Neil
Capt, CE, Dept of MA&E

1950

After the supreme miscalculation in the last issue about the time of arrival of the 10-Year Book, I refuse to speculate again. The one redeeming feature has been some correspondence from people requesting the status of their book. I have already received several letters and anticipate more, but too late for this article. Incidentally, the quarterly deadlines for the articles to the Association of Graduates are 1 March, 1 June, 1 September and 1 December. This may help a little on planning when to pass on information. Now back to the 10-Year Book. I do trust by this time that all have been received. Leo Romaneski has passed on the notice that any questions concerning it after this date should be referred to John Vanston, Department of Physics and Chemistry. John will keep all of the records here for a year and then pass on that which is worth keeping to Lou Genuario, our Historian.

Still with the 10-Year Book, I have received practically no response to the request for help on the memorial copies. We are most anxious to distribute the copies to the families of our deceased classmates as quickly as possible in all instances where it would be appropriate. However, we are in dire need of advice as to the appropriate families. Jim Kelly, who is here in the Department of M.A.&E., has kindly volunteered to help pursue this. If you can give some guidance, please drop Jim or me a line.

We certainly hated to see Ken and Loris Ebner leave here in January for Germany. His new assignment is with the G-3 Section, Hq, 7th Army, APO, New York. Ken has been kind enough to include me on the distribution list of the "C-1" Newsletter this past year, and it

certainly is a fine source of information. I sure hope its new publisher will do the same—would you please, Gus? Incidentally, Ken and Loris' first stop in Europe was to be a visit with Joe and Mary Pharr Love in Orleans, France. They'll probably get a chance to see Lou and Rose Genuario also while they are there, since Joe wrote that the Genuarios are not too far away.

Dunc Joy reported he had heard from Karl and Greta Weber. It seems they are living on one of the beaches in Hawaii. Karl is commanding "D" Company of the 65th Engineers there at Schofield. Karl mentioned in his letter that Pedro Schira is also there commanding "A" Company of the 35th Infantry. I somehow cannot help but feel a little sad for them, since they missed all the beautiful snow this winter.

Jake and Anne Jacobson visited Clyde and Marilyn Spence the last of February on their way back from Germany. Jake has just left the 3d Div Arty and was in route to an ROTC assignment at St. Thomas Military Academy at St. Paul, Minnesota. Their trip back was on the USNS Geiger, and Jake was lucky enough to be Troop Commander.

Saw an article in the Herald Tribune the other month concerning a Special Forces reserve unit whose personnel are from New York City and Northern New Jersey. It certainly gave an excellent account of the unit and its activities. As you might guess its CO is a fine '50 file, Joe McCrane. It sure sounded great, Joe.

We enjoyed a visit by Warde Wheaton right before Christmas. He was able to work in a little pleasure with business which is always nice. Warde is with Honeywell in Minneapolis and had to make a trip east to New York City. Since the period included a weekend, he was able to get up the river. It was real good to see you, Warde. Hope to see you again soon and bring Dode along.

Had a nice newsletter from Marshall and Marion Talbot. This is the second year in their house in Springfield, Virginia, and they are certainly enjoying it. Marion reveals she stays busy with PTA, luncheons, charity drives and of course, Patty and Stephanie. Marshall keeps busy at the Defense Atomic Support Agency at the Pentagon with an occasional trip to Albuquerque and Las Vegas.

Jim and Bobbie Barnes are also residing in Springfield, Virginia, these days. Jim has "C" Battery, 1st Missile Battalion at Lorton, Virginia.

Understand Tom and Jinny Loper left in February for Paris, France. Tom is assigned to SHAPE there.

Got a short note from Ding Price's father recently. He reports Ding and Johanna are getting along fine down in Roswell, N. M. I must admit that during this past winter many of us would have gladly swapped some excess snow for that New Mexico sunshine.

John and Jane Fox passed on a report from Chuck and Eleanor Tonningsen. The Tonningsens live in Seattle where Chuck works for Boeing Airplane Company as a Customer Engineer by day and is working on his Masters in Business at the University by night. Eleanor keeps herself busy with Eric, Karen and Tara, and as Social Coordinator for Burien Gar-

dens (a development of 550 apartments).

The Association of Graduates sent me a real fine news release they had received. It stated in part that, "Captain Carl E. Stone has completed not only the USAF Extension Course Institute's Squadron Officers Course and Command and Staff College, but has also completed the Department of Defense Industrial College of the Armed Forces correspondence course, normally offered only to selected field grade officers by correspondence and only to full colonels and up in residence." This is great, Carl. Incidentally, Carl and Dottie are at Yokota Air Base where Carl is with the 421st Air Refueling Squadron, APO 328, San Francisco.

Also received word through the Association that Malcomb and Joyce Chandler are now residing in Columbus, Ohio. Malcomb has been assigned as an ROTC Instructor there at Ohio State. This should be a happy place, because by now I'm sure Jack and Peg Parish are well set up. How are things, old neighbor?

It is pleasing to report that our class is still growing. The latest potential drags are Sally Walker to Jane and Wally Nutting, Victoria Weeks to Marty and Manly Rogers, and Alison Marie to Nancy and Rufe Smith. The lone new potential cadet is Thomas Cameron II to Jinny and Tom Loper.

Along the line of additions, it is pleasant to report the addition of two wives to our group. Ditta Begley and Devonna Matthiessen. John and Ditta are presently at Fort Benning and C.J. and Devonna are here at West Point. We are certainly happy to welcome you to the class.

June Week this year will certainly be a far cry from the monstrous blow of last year; however, we certainly hope to see some familiar faces up during the period. Dunc Joy's local entertainment committee has tentatively scheduled a class picnic for Sunday afternoon, 4 June. This is the only class function planned. However, there will be the usual Alumni functions and the impromptu "stop by for one" type affairs.

See you then. —Bill Read
Dept. of Mechanics

1951

As you read this the gala tenth reunion will be imminent, and, therefore, too late to urge you to come. However, the Tenth Reunion Book, has not yet gone to press and it is therefore not too late to send in your pictures and biographies. Please send a photo (wallet size or larger—a gloss finish print will be most satisfactory—no negatives please) and a brief biography. A family photograph is desired, if possible. If our book is going to be worthwhile we need to get as many of the class in the book as possible. Do it now!

On the 14th of February Jim Kintz married Joan Feczer in the Post Chapel at West Point. Joan is a nurse here at the hospital. Many happy returns and welcome to '51, Joan.

On the 31st of October, last, Mary Ann presented Roy Herte with a 7 lb 5 oz. bundle of joy named Kelly Ann. Roy is stationed in Oberursel, Germany. How the class does grow!

I got a letter from Ellie Beczkiewicz one day after the deadline for my last column so I had to wait until this column to include the information. As a result the people at Ft. Knox will be leaving about the time you read this. Well, that's show biz. Anyway, the people who were at Knox are Ellie and Pete Beczkiewicz, Pat and Godfrey Crowe, Marge and Tom Foster, Martha Jo and Joe Rice, Norma and Wally Steiger, D'Arcy and Ted Charney. Bon Voyage, wherever you are.

Dolly Bailey sent a note from Germany. In December, Dolly and Bruce were living in Mannheim and Bruce was commuting to Wurzburg where he is assigned to a Hawk unit. By now they should have crammed themselves, all nine of them, into a three bedroom or 2—two bedroom apartments in Wurzburg. As far as I know the Baileys and Ackersons are children champions of the class with seven. Also in Wurzburg are Hank Evans and Guy Jester.

Another gracious lady, Marie Foss, writes from Oakdale, L. I. to invite anyone in the New York City area to come visit them at 14 Vincent Place, Oakdale. Phone SAyville 4-2088. Pete is Ass't. P.M.S. at LaSalle Military Academy. They came to Oakdale from Benning where Pete was attending the Advanced Course. The Foss family includes Deborah Marie, 4, Peter Michael, 3, and Mary Kristin, 1, all born in March. That must be a wild month around the Foss estate.

You know, if it weren't for the ladies of '51, this column would fold.

Howie Peckham writes from Dayton, where he is attending the Air Force Institute of Technology, that he should have kept his graduation vow never to be a student again. Howie is working toward a master's in Aero Engineering and is finding the academic life anything but relaxing. Joe Crocco and Bill Moretti are also at Dayton taking Electrical Engineering. They will leave as this goes to press. Howie ran into John Croan while both were ogling their newborn children in the hospital. John has a technical job at Wright Patterson which he is enjoying. Also, while on TDY, Howie ran into Ken Hite at Maxwell AFB. Ken is a student at the Command and Staff College there. The Peckham family, in addition to Howie, consists of wife, Jane, and sons, Larry, 4, and Terry, less than 1 year. Thanks for the letter Howie.

Dan Foldberg is making his home in Monterrey, Calif., at the Language School. He's studying Italian because he has trouble getting pizza's in Italian restaurants. Dan will go to Italy in July or August and hopes to be able to say something in Italian by then. He hopes to see Fred Denman in Albany, Calif. before he leaves. While at Bragg, Dan ran across Bob Hyatt, Roscoe Robinson, and Walt Russell. Bob and Roscoe are in the jumping business and Walt is in the dropping business with H-34 choppers. On his way to California, Dan stopped by Leavenworth to see Earl Keesling, Chan Goodnow, Walt Johnson, Howie Steele, and George Meighen. All are apparently holding up under the strain.

Jack Price is at Patrick AFB. He occasionally flies with Bud Conti or Bob Lerner in the T-Bird. Fred Irving is also

there digging around in the sand at Cape Canaveral with the Engineers. Jack recently stopped by the AF Academy in the wilds of Colorado to see Verle Johnston. He got there in time to attend a '51 reunion. Thanks for the poop, Jack. I hadn't heard about that reunion because it is seldom that the news from the New Frontier of the mighty Colorado River leaks out to an eagerly awaiting world. I understand that they are going to extend the Pony Express to Colorado Springs sometime this year so that the Post Office can get the mail through. Maybe by then we beetle crushers can get some word from the winged ones in their Rock in the Rockies.

That's all the news for this time. I hope to see many of you for the reunion. If you're in doubt about coming—come. A great occasion is in the offing.

This will be my last column since my tour here is up and I'll be moving on. As yet, my successor hasn't been "volunteered" but if you will send your letters to me and write *Assembly* on the envelope it will get to the right place. I wish to thank everyone who displayed enough interest in their friends to write, and hope more will write in the future.

While sending out the poopsheets for June Week we were unable to obtain addresses for the following people:

Albert R. Knight, Donald R. Schwartz, William B. Woodson, Donald T. Sheridan Theodore W. Greisinger, Philip H. Gwynn, John P. Starrett, William C. Edler, Herbert Roth, Douglas F. Wainer, Donald J. Norton, Patrick J. Corrigan, Donald A. McGann, Charles E. Bryant, Donald L. Smith, Harold A. Barton, Ralph L. Auer, John L. Glossbrenner, Robert L. Johnson, Gerald S. Reeve, Donald J. Kasun, John H. Streadorf, William D. Farrington, Ralph Cooper, Joseph P. Crocco, Delmar L. Ring, Phillip A. Cuny.

If you know the address of any of the above, please notify Capt. E. L. Birdseye, Dept. of E S & G S, West Point.

—Dick McLean
Dept. of Electricity

1952

Now that we've fought our way through the winter of 1960-61, it's time to say hello once more and pass the good word along. Thanks for the many letters during the past few months; maybe you won't find many headline-making items here but your numerous letters give routine news the flavor of personal variety. I trust you will continue your fine response to the new Column Editor—name to be announced next issue.

Here at the Rock we have literally fought our way through the winter; when 26 inches of new snow fell on the still unmelted 20 inches on the ground, most of '52 just hibernated and waited for the snowplows to come to the rescue. The advantages of living on post began to take on added significance. There is hope too: Sam Wetzel reports that all of '52 should be on Post here at West Point next summer.

A sledding party in true-blue, Group Two '52 style on 28 January showed that we cannot be dominated indefinitely by

the elements; after the sledding we had a delicious catered dinner at Bert and Gerry Stubblebine's spacious home.

Congratulations to the crew who will meet at Fort Leavenworth this summer; with apologies to any whom I miss, here's the list: Walt Ulmer, Jim Crow, Howard Danford, Jim Armstrong, Bob Burke, Ed Eckert, Eugene Flanagan, Ernie Condina, Sam Hubbard, John Quinn, Willy Ross, Al Thieme, Skip Wensyel, Jack Foley, and Al Lawrence.

Progress on our fledgling Constitution is reported by Jerry Gibbs, Chairman of the Executive Committee. At press time, this important document was in the hands of our Vice President, Ken Simonet. On its return, each of you will receive a copy, together with a ballot on which you can register your views. Please return these ballots quickly; we cannot begin planning our 10th Reunion in earnest until we have constitutional authority! (Sounds absurd but it's distressingly true, and our reunion is no small project.)

Plans for the 10th Yearbook are underway, and Tom Leggett wishes to pass out some advance poop on that subject. You will receive a request by mail later. We will need a recent family picture, and a 200-word summary of your career from graduation to date. Send both to Captain John Ralph, Dept. of Social Sciences, USMA. Get them in early so that we can have some realistic timing of yearbook and reunion.

A few new babies to add to the growing list of offspring: Tom and Patti Leggett added their third daughter, Elizabeth Totten, at West Point on 11 January. Also at West Point, Dexter and Rosemary Smith adopted a son, James Clifford, in December; his birthday is 20 November. Joe and Kay Paluh had their fifth child, Cheryl Christine, on 24 February in Atlanta. Joe is finishing up his EE degree at Georgia Tech and will soon be assigned to the Armor Board at Fort Knox. Jim McDonnell, who only took the walk down the aisle in 1957, reports No. 4, Robert Edward, on 1 February. His yearly dividends also include Jackie, 1; Jimmie, 2; and Barbara, 3. Jim is studying Nuclear Physics at the University of Arizona, Tucson. Tom and Roberta Brodin were happy to add Bettina Ellen to their family on 10 October 1960, after three boys, Davis, 7; Drake, 4; and Brian, 2. Tom is with G-3 of the 24th Division after an 18-month stint with Co. A, 28th Infantry BG of that Division. They are stateside-bound this summer. Congratulations to all of you happy parents from the whole class.

I got a chuckle when a letter from Bud Lichtenwalter arrived which began "Dear" along with words to the effect that he didn't know who was writing the column at this time. Now that is true loyalty—writers come and go but he did check in and give his whereabouts. Others please consider doing likewise. Bud and family are at Izmir, Turkey, where he is Aide to Lt. Gen. Storker, Hqs. Allied Land Forces in South-Eastern Europe. He met Burnie Knight and Dave Lyon in July; they were entering Korea, reluctantly; he was leaving Korea, gratefully.

Thanks to Nancy Lehan for her interesting letter during Jim's absence in

Korea. After getting his Master's Degree in Physics at the University of Virginia in August, Jim is now Company Commander of Radio Operation Company, 304th Signal Battalion, in Seoul. Nancy is homesteading at 504 Boyd St., in Spartanburg, S.C., with their two girls, Terry, 3½, and Kathy, 2½.

Dave Lyon furnishes some up-to-date locations of classmates in Korea, from his strategic post in the Office of the CG, UN Command: Carl Broadbent, Co. B, 51st Signal Bn., APO 358; John Bart, Co. E, 4th Cavalry, APO 24; Burnie Knight, Air Section KMAC, FROKA, Det. L, APO 301; Ike Eisenhart, SGS, KMAC, FROKA, Det. L, APO 301; Orin Hilmo, Battery D, 31st Arty, APO 24; Al Dombrowski, Hq & Hq Company, 32nd Inf, APO 7; Ron Obach, Signal Officer, 17th Inf, APO 7; and Bob Burke, Aide to C/S, EUSA, APO 301. Dave has heard from Swede and Madeline Berry, who with their son are at Tyndall AFB.

Tom Dowler finished the Advanced Course at Ft. Belvoir and is now assigned to the NYC field office of the Atomic Energy Commission as Liaison Officer for the Army Reactor Group. The family roster is imposing: Joanne, Meg, Suzie, Guy and Tommy. Tom passes on other information: Pete and Dolly Selleck are due for Orleans, France, where Pete will head the Automatic Data Processing System there. Before departure, visits are scheduled at the ADPS School at Fort Monmouth, and IBM at Poughkeepsie. Lou Arnold and Tom Nelson have made their switch, with Lou beginning the Belvoir Advanced Course and Tom heading north for the Polar Research and Development assignment.

Charlie Watkins writes from Georgia Tech; he and Connie join the Mechanics Department here in June. They have two children and comment on the rough grind at Tech. I've heard the same from many others so it must take maximum effort: also there, in addition to the Paluhs mentioned before, are Mike and Jackie Juvenal, Jim and Bobby Tow, Bob and Joe Underhill, and Jim Pettit. Hank and Hanny West are located near there, in Marietta, where Hank is undergoing an Air Force training program with Lockheed. Bob and Gloria Russell are at Fort Sill where he is teaching at the school. Bob and Collie Crane are at Texas A&M where he'll receive his MS degree in August. Thanks for the news, Charlie.

Bill Horn is also anticipating a trip back to the old Alma Mater, to teach Physics. He and Grace will leave Berchtesgaden in May.

Bob Ackerson, who is soon to trade an assignment with a General Depot in France for one in the Office of the Chief of Engineers, writes his suspicions (with tongue in cheek I hope) that the class fund is being used to send the collector's child through school—evidently my efforts in this direction are having a telling effect! I'm glad Barbara finally got through to you, Bob—wives are the most effective members of this \$3 collection agency. The Ackersons have been visited recently by the Picketts and the Dutchyshyns.

Steve Nichols, in the Advanced Course at Fort Benning, took a trip to Atlanta and during a party at the home of Otis Moran, met all the Georgia Tech gang.

Otis is Aide to General Paul Adams, Third Army Commander, and is enjoying the assignment. George and Florie Tronsrue were there too—George is No. 1 man in the Advanced Course and for that we extend congratulations . . . Mike Juvenal is due for Fort Sill on completion of work for his EE degree. Thanks for the information, Steve. (Even if you quote—"didn't pledge a million dollars to Army Emergency Relief, or agree to run off to Cuba and fight Castro"—unquote!)

The Cannons have entertained quite a few classmates in their Bavarian outpost: the Dutchyshyns, including Harry's parents; Art and Elaine Taylor, and Carter and Ilene Lehman. Several enjoyed the Passion Play at Oberammergau this past summer. John and June are facing the dilemma of all returnees—how to squeeze in all the desirable trips around Europe before their rotation date.

Barbara and Art Stebbins fit into the Fort Knox school routine after adjusting from their tour here with the Dept. of EE, and seem to have a formidable round of activities going.

Suzie Weinert writes that Don is spending his spare time intently listening for unusual noises, and otherwise babying his new Mercedes 220-S. Little Weiner No. 3 should have arrived in February and the whole family is ready to return to the good old USA. Don, who is S-4 of the 12th Engineers, has been muttering lately about "illogical logistics" after being blissfully above all those details as a company commander for many months.

Larry and Mary Russell, along with Lawren, Teddy, and Mary Beth, are at Fort Ord; Larry is studying at the Naval Post Graduate School for a degree in Nuclear Effects.

Jim and Jeri Maloney made the cross-country trek with their four girls, Patty, Marianne, Susan, and Kathy; bought a new house, and are more or less settled down for three years in California. Jim is assigned to the Naval Radiological Lab in San Francisco.

Holly Holleran extends an invitation to all classmates who have business at Hqs, CONARC at Fort Monroe, to stop by the G-3 Section and say hello. He and Bobbie adopted a baby boy last year; he's Michael Owen.

Ralph Leonard has entered local politics in his home town of Oldtown, Maine by being elected to a three year term on the City Council. Congratulations, Ralph.

Thanks to Danny Danford for the following info: Phil Erdle paid a quick visit to the Mechanics Dept. here to check over the course; he is assigned to the same department at the AF Academy. Jerry Naber came along too: he's a Tac at the Academy. Joe Hannan's wife is encouraged by her success as a fashion model—she can be seen on the pages of the *Ladies Home Journal* and *Life*, among other publications. Joe's position with Benton and Bowles Advertising Agency seems to harmonize with his wife's career very well.

Bud Thompson had a letter from Lou Fendleton recently, requesting of all things, a quill pad—the traditional Form 1. He's at Taipeh, Formosa, and has a

scheme for the Founder's Day Dinner there.

Lew Williams is due here at West Point in June to replace Jack Driskill as "contact man" for the Second and Third Army areas in the Admissions Division. Jack was surprised and pleased recently by receiving an alert for shipment to Germany in July. He would like to pass on his appreciation for some good "talent scout" work in recruiting outstanding talent for USMA; specifically he thanks Chuck Luther, at Wright-Patterson AFB; Jim Jagers, at Keesler AFB in Biloxi, Mississippi; and Joe Urschel, who is with Woodville Lime Products Company in Toledo, Ohio. Don't forget anyone can be of help in this process of recruiting.

A final note: Lou Bryan has been assigned at a PMS&T at the University of Toledo.

Don't forget to drop a card if you move this spring or summer; having up-to-date addresses will insure fast communication of all the plans for 1962.

—Jay Luther

Dept. of Mechanics, USMA

1953

As you read this, everything up here on the Hudson is the beautiful light green of a New York springtime. All winter long the Plain looked as though a number of giant moles had run—dug—a race from Central Area straight out toward Trophy Point. But now the surface has been laid back to rest with a brand new sprinkler system underneath. Bets are being taken on how long it will be until some cadet gets to the faucet while a parade is in progress. And also as to the proper degree and form of punishment if he's caught. Lock him up with all that wet FD, perhaps? On to class news!

Max Noah passes on a letter he received from T. C. Davis last September—Tom is back in service again; in Ordnance, and stationed at Redstone Arsenal. As of the date of the letter, he was holding down an artillery slot in the office of Operations Research, Hq. Army Ordnance Missile Command, and hoping to wind up in an ordnance slot. Here's a later note, via Weemo Wubbena—Tom's now working at supply and logistics for ABMA. Tom mentions that Paul Floyd, Jerry Nicks, J. D. Wilson and Howie Thompson are all at Redstone; Bill Prime has left for the Ordnance advanced course, and Pete Conzelman is in Italy. Herb and Inge Schmidt are at Gainsville, Ga., where Herb is on ROTC duty at Georgia Military Academy

Received a nice letter from Rolfe Arnhym, two days after turning in the last column; thus the delay in passing on his news. He had been with the Command and Staff Dept. at Benning, but is now in Korea as aide to the chief of the joint MAAG. While he's sampling the morning calm, June and their two girls are staying at 2440 Mesa St., Columbus, Ga. Rolfe sends on the following information about classmates at Benning: Jim Donahue is with the Secretary's office, Sandy Meloy is aide to the CG, Doc Stinson is with the Infantry Board, and Smirk Wardlaw is with the Ranger Dept. Bob Alexander, Gene Currier, Ken Sweeney and Al Horwedel are with the 2d Infantry Div. In

the advanced course are Ray Colvin, Tom McKenna, Rus Baker and Craig Coverdale.

From Mort O'Connor: Bob and Alice Rogers, with the State Dept., return home in April from the French Republic of Congo. Among other things, they did some elephant hunting while there. Results unknown as of this writing. Jim and Shirley Bambery are at Clackamas, Oregon—Jim is believed to be on ROTC duty. Bob and Sally Thomas are at the Univ. of Arizona, and will be, until June 1962; Bob is working for his Master's in Nuclear Engineering. Graham Vernon is finishing up his ROTC tour at E. Michigan State, Ypsilanti, Mich. Bill and Lorraine Youngel are at 916 Reary Drive, Belleville, Ill. Duty uncertain; on site, perhaps? Joe Wilson is in Saudi Arabia—while there, Pat is at 94 Hilltop Lane, Norn's, Tenn. Ray Conder is still at the Univ. of Wisconsin, finishing his last year of ROTC duty.

Mort also sent over a copy of the delightful Christmas letter Tony and Kathy DeLuca sent from Saigon. Tony is aide to Maj. Gen. Ruggles—chief of the MAAG group, I believe—and they have three little ones. Here's a short summary of what was a somewhat busy year for them: Tony and Terry (their oldest girl, age 6) quite seriously injured in a head-on collision a year ago Christmas; both fully recovered. Car demolished but rebuilt. Short trip in June, 1960, to New Delhi and the Taj Mahal, with stopoff in Bangkok on the way back to Saigon. Then, in October another car accident—from behind, this time. Whiplash injuries, not serious, to both Kathy and Tony. As for their Volkswagen, the only original parts left of their original car are the seats. To quote: "Friends have asked why we don't sell it, or better yet, give it away—but we feel very personal about that little car—as you would about a Purple Heart." Just after that, they were caught right in the middle of the attempted coup d'état against President Ngo Dinh Diem. Final score: 4 grenades exploded in their yard, 44 bullets holes on the outside of their house (located 1 block from the Presidential Palace), and 8 bullets inside. No one in their household injured. Finally, at the end of November, 5 days in Hong Kong for R and R. Then, a final line: "I know better than to close this letter by saying we're looking forward to an exciting six months here. Instead, let me wish for a dull, uneventful ending to our tour." They're due back in June, and let us hope Kathy's wish has been fulfilled!

Got a nice note from Bob and Sue Boxell—they're at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, where Bob is working for his Master's in Engineering Mechanics at the Univ. of Alabama. They also expect to check in at Aberdeen for the Ordnance advanced course this July. They visited the Brophys at Fort Campbell while on Christmas leave, and heard there that Steve Belgau is a "spot" major in SAC. The Boxells also hear occasionally from Joe and Pat McGovern, who are living in Gadsden, Alabama—Joe is with Republic Steel there. Thanks for the rest of your info, Bob—as you can see, it's scattered here and there throughout the rest of this column.

From George Egbert, here at West

Point: Don Sykes is living in Lafayette, Indiana—getting his Master's in Aeronautical Engineering at Purdue. Dick Fischer is also there, getting his Master's in Electrical Engineering prior to reporting to USMA this summer, for duty with the juice dept. Ed Smith is on TDY at Bliss taking a Nike-Hercules course. Their address: Qtrs 1, Nike Village, Danvers, Mass. Keith Born—another of those who succumbed to the blandishments of Ordnance—is in the advanced course at Aberdeen.

News from the Middle East: Nancy Smith writes that Bob is due to receive his Master's in Arabic Studies from American University, Beirut, Lebanon, this June. Then they will report for duty in Rabat, Morocco. Last summer Bob spent a month with the Jordanian army and took a trip throughout the Middle East; this February he spent two weeks at the Lebanese army ski school located in the mountains at the Cedars of Lebanon. Other information from them: Bill Harris is presently in Korea, and is slated to go to the Army Language School in Monterey next year, to start the Arabic FAST program. Bob Fernandez is in Saudi Arabia now, after his year at the ALS.

From Ed Davis: Bud and Terry Borrell are in Northridge, Calif., where he is with Ramo-Wooldridge. They report seeing Joe Volpe who is in Los Angeles. Bud and Flo Tardiff are still at Germantown, Md.; they are expecting a new Tardiff in March. Ed visited Bill and Eddice Jesse at Texas A&M in December; Bill is on ROTC duty there. They now have two girls and two boys.

From Stan Touchstone: Min and Jack Neuberger are at Fort Benning; they have four girls. Bob and Lillian Beveridge are at Purdue, where Bob expects to finish in June. Jim Burkhard is with Hq and Hq Co., 2d BG, 10th Inf., at Ft. Wm. D. Davis in the Canal Zone. Gerry Corpew is in Korea; while he's there, Helen is living in Brooklyn. Rod and Sally French are still at Picatinny Arsenal. Monte and Gail Lowry are now in Germany, after a tour at Knox where Monte took the Armored advance course. Tom and Tardy McGregor are in Tucson, Arizona—address, 6918 Calle Denebola. They have 3 boys and a girl.

Dan and Meta Rickard are in Alaska, where Dan has Co. B, 9th Inf. He was in Exercise Arctic Shore last December, which involved airlift operations in defense of the Distant Early Warning sites along the Arctic coastline.

From Weemo Wubbena: Rod Smith is still with the U. S. Army Construction Agency in Germany—he's the first Ph.D. in our class, and due for C&GS next year. Herb Peckham is a BC in Greenland; he visited the Wubbenas about the first of March on his way back to Greenland from El Paso, where Ann and their baby, Susan, are staying. He plans to resign early this summer, at the completion of his tour, and go to the Univ. of California in Berkeley, for his Ph.D.

Had a nice note from Pat Rush—she and Early have been at Fort Dix since the summer of 1959. After having a company of the 86th Engr Bn (Cons), Early has been Bn. S-3 for nearly a year now. He's now battalion commander of a provisional battalion consisting of two companies for a two-month TDY at Camp

Drum, after which Pat and Early expect to go overseas.

From various sources (principally Weemo, Ed Andrews and myself), the following are at Fort Sill: The Perlows, Tanzers, Holcombes, Linkas, Breckenridges, Dennises, Eubanks', the D. E. Shaws, Brewers, Merritts, Sneads, Ob-lingers, the R. R. Sullivans (to Columbia this summer, then to USMA, English Dept., in 1962), and the Fitzsimmons' (to Harvard this summer, then to USMA in 1963). Also, Jack Merrigan, who arrived from Okinawa in January.

Neal Creighton notes that Mike Cousland is still in Munich; after having a tank company for a year, he is now Bn. Adjutant. Jack Temp is now at Fort Knox, in the advanced course; Roy Fowler is also there, having returned from Korea in November. Our congratulations to Kemp Dozier, who was married on 17 December at South Orange, N. J., to Miss Ann Burdett Town. They are now living in New York City. George Haas, who still hasn't succumbed, spent a December vacation away from Mobile—skiing in Utah.

From the Brains: Floyd Barrow and Al Todd are at Edwards AFB, Calif; Al got his Master's from SMU last June.

Bob Laflam, presently at Monmouth, is due to leave for Korea in June, as is Ed Reed. They're both taking the Signal advanced course there. Fred Glauner is arriving just about now in Thailand, after taking the Armored Maintenance Officers' Course at Fort Knox. He's to be an Automotive Maintenance Advisor there. Bill and Pat Sifford have orders for the Artillery advanced course next year; the Liveoaks, in Germany, are also slated to be there. Jim and Anne McGee sent a Christmas card from APO 377, New York; they have four sons.

BABY CORNER:

To Nancy and Bob Smith: Randall Edwin, 20 Nov. 1959, in Beirut, Lebanon.

To Alice and Bob Rogers: Mark, born in French Republic of the Congo, date unknown.

To Tardy and Tom McGregor, Anne Collette, in Tucson, Ariz., date unknown.

To Priscilla and Max Noah: Van Wilbur, 13 Sept. 1960, at West Point.

To Monica and Bill Burdeshaw: Thomas B., 19 Oct. 1960, in Atlanta, Ga.

To Sarah and Don Shaw: Mary Danielle, 7 Dec. 1960, at Fort Sill.

To Diane and Ed Smith—Scott Howard, 6 Jan. 1961.

To Jeanne and Bob Glasgow: Mary, adopted 31 January 1961, at Cornwall, N. Y.

Since we're not a reunion class this year, we're down at the bottom of the list for June Week. Therefore, we're not planning any special class events for that period. If any of you plan to be in the West Point area in the latter part of May, however, we are planning a picnic as a farewell for those who are leaving; contact Ed Dinges, Dept. of Foreign Languages, for exact time and place. We'd be delighted to see you. That's all for this time; may you all have a good summer.

—Al Lindholm

Dept. of Foreign Languages.

Greetings to all of '54.

And, maybe it's the seven-year itch, for we have a record number of letters loaded with news this time. So here it is.

From Fort Knox, Jay Massaro writes as one of the old-timers around the Armor School. He's been there since Jan. '58, and last August, along with numerous classmates, began the Career Course, which ends in June. Currently in the course are Gene Breeding, Dick Hoy, John Eitel, Ted Neu, Dick Weaver, Bob Anthis, Jack Delamin, Quay Snyder, Jack Galvin (courtesy of the infantry), Lou Ham, Bill McGuire, and Cary Peyton. Jack Galvin is due for civil schooling and the English Department at West Point, and Gene Breeding for the Electricity Department. Quay Snyder has transferred to the Transportation Corps and will stay at Knox with a helicopter company. Also at Knox are Ed Hart with the 6th Armored Cavalry and John Young, a pilot with the Transportation Corps.

Jay added that "in conversation last August with a newly reported Venezuelan officer I inquired about Bernie Serano. The officer's English was poor and my Spanish was worse, but I did learn of his death. One phrase he used sticks in my mind: 'The death of Captain Serano is not clear.' It's really very tragic—Bernie and I were both in D-2 and I knew him quite well."

From Braintree, Mass., (10 Wilmarth Rd.), Dan and Chris Hutcheson report the birth of Mark Daniel on Christmas Day, 1960, at Chelsea Naval Hospital. The Hutchesons, along with another son and daughter, are with the Command and Control Development Division, L. G. Hanscom Field, Mass. Dan is in the ARDC study program for advanced defensive systems—"very interesting, lots of travel, lots of contrast with industry, and little flying."

On the civilian side, but "still sponging off the government," Pete Pilet writes that he's now at the University of Cincinnati. Pete and Joyce report the arrival of "our first child," Scott Christian on Feb. 10. Pete got his M.S. last June in Dynamical Astronomy (celestial mechanics) from the U. of Cincinnati's Institute of Space Sciences, and is now continuing his studies there with the benefit of a National Defense Graduate Fellowship, with a year or more to go.

Fritz Anklam, Andre Broumas, Ed Keiser, and Don Newnham are with the Army Polar Research and Development Center. The organization is permanently stationed at Fort Belvoir and goes to Greenland to support various research agencies. "B" Anklam, who is waiting it out at Belvoir with the four little Ank-lams, adds that Jim Hays is in Washington with the Army Map Service; and Kerly, Barrand, Don Mawhinney and Darryl Anderson are also at Belvoir.

The Vince Suppiches are with the Air Force Institute of Technology, where he is a student at the U. of Massachusetts. Vince writes that Lee Thackwray and family live at Westover AFB, where he's in B-52's. Tom Martin is an AROTC instructor at the U. of Massachusetts, and he and Ann had another boy on Oct. 15.

Larry Willner and family are on ROTC

duty at Stanford University (182 Thompson Sq., Mountain View, Calif.), and he hopes to get a master's degree in business administration while there. Larry writes that Dave Harris goes to SHAPE, Paris, when he leaves here in March—"very hard to take, especially as a bachelor." Larry also sends news of Fletcher Buckley, now finishing an E.E. master's degree at Stanford; Bill Holsman "finally hit the jackpot, a boy after three girls; he's at Northeastern University in Boston for an MSEE in data processing;" Ronnie Lee currently instructing at Fort Monmouth; Fred Kersh, ROTC at Texas A&I; Bob Linton, finishing an MSEE at Stanford (Air Force type); and Hank Butler, MS in physics at Penn State.

Ben Breslauer is doing financial planning for Litton Industries, a large electronics company, in Los Angeles (1427 N. Gardner St.), after graduating from the Harvard Business School last June. Ben married Irma Golter, "a charming local school teacher," on March 26.

Also in civilian life, Bill and Loretta Winston write from 202 Campbell Ave., Marion, Ind., where they are happily settled, along with son and daughter. Bill is with Anaconda Wire & Cable Company as their chief process engineer. The Winstons write that Lowell and Connie Sisson and two youngsters are with Collins Radio in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. And also in Cedar Rapids is "George Olmstead and family, and he is in business for himself and, as we understand it, has something to do with flying." Other news notes from the Winstons: Jack and Lorrie Lochner and three children are at Fort Benning; Barbara and Hal Stout are at University of California where he is teaching ROTC; Bill and Carolyn Carroll and two daughters are in Pittsburgh, where he's with Honeywell Co. And they ask of the whereabouts of Max Janairo.

News also comes from the mother of Anne Touchstone Combs, who did a most effective job of showing up Anne and Skip, after a 7-year news blackout. After "excusing the rascals for their dereliction of duty on the grounds that they are pretty busy people," she reports that Skip is "with the Pasadena, Calif., office of CIC and, without a shade of doubt, must be doing a fine job. (How's that for a mother-in-law?). Several nights a week are spent at UCLA in quest of credits towards that MA, and several more nights are spent cramming that elusive knowledge into a tired brain. But he'll make it... Three handsome, healthy children (two boys, with a lovely girl sandwiched between them) keep Anne and Skip busy and happy."

And from Jim Williams, the most devoted and reliable reporter of all, comes the complete wrap-up from Fort Sill. A class reunion in December was the scene, and Jim came through with the following newsy details: On hand were Art and Vicki Lykke; Bob McPherson; Tom and Pam Young (who have one child); Paul and Betty Powers (who have two); John and Bethel Shafer; Herb and LaRue Williams (who have three children); Skip and Susie Forman (one daughter); Dick and Peg Grinder (one son); Don and Marie Panzer (one son); Marty and Pauline LaChance (one of each); Bob and Jean Cottle (one girl); Dave and

Midge Holtam (one girl); Eddie and Betty Knoff (one son); Dick and Ginny Sugg (one of each); Audrey and Barbara Short (three children); Jim and Joan Johnson (and son); Ron and Georgianna Salvador (two daughters); Jim and Chris Chapman (three children); Doug and Emma Stuart; Bill and Helga Hauser; Jot and Olga Thomas (two daughters); Bob and Louise Marcrum (three children); Glenn and Eva Matsumoto (two children); and Jim and Bobbi Williams (plus son). Absent, but also at Sill are Len and Joan Reed; Dave and Mary Richards; Jim and Fay Surber; Erner Marvin and his wife; John D'Aura and his wife; and Bob Cicchinelli and a brand-new wife.

At Westover AFB are John Weiler, John Wintrode, and Lee Thackway. John and Rosemary Weiler are living at 88 Bardwell St., South Hadley Falls, Mass.

At Georgia Tech, studying electrical engineering are Russ Parker, Shel Burnett, George Kourakos, Milt Aiken; in AE, Bill Hannon; in ME, Bob Gomez, John Ballantyne, Bob Ley, John Hudachek. Russ adds that after three boys, the Leys made it with a daughter on 9 Dec.

At University of Southern California (6840 Will Rogers St., Los Angeles), Newell Vinson is taking a 2-year course in mechanical engineering which is directed toward guided missiles. Also there with Newell and Pat and family (three children) are Fred and Charlene Qualls and son and daughter. Newell is scheduled to be assigned to the Earth, Space and Graphics Science Department (once MT&G) at West Point in '62.

From Cape Canaveral, Bob Fromm writes that '54 is represented there by Jim Ahman, in plans, and himself, working with the TAC R&D cadre.

At Fort Meade, Md., (7738-B Nelson Loop) are Howard and Irene Hunter, where he is CO of Hq Btry, 35th Artillery Brigade. Also in the brigade are Bob Badger, and Myron Rose.

At the University of Michigan, are John and Marge Bard (2151 Hubbard St., Ann Arbor, Mich.), along with Gerry Parshall, Jim Brodt, Bob Chapman, and Jack Chesbro. Bard is scheduled to begin a tour at West Point this summer.

At Redstone Arsenal in Alabama are Tom and Barbara Brown, Bill and Joan Allen, Bill and Renee Nelson, Bob and Lucille Adams, Marvin and Maureen Jones, Jerry Vigee, Gayle and Jerry North, Don and Barbara Porter, and Dick Steimle.

From Madrid, Spain, Rudy Wacker reports that he's enjoying the beginnings of a "real nice tour for three years." He's in the division tactical evaluation section of the Hq Section, 65th Air Division (Box 10956, APO 283, N.Y.). Rudy writes that he ran into Tex McVeigh at Phalsbourg, France; also Kenny Haff in Weisbaden, Germany; Rox Shain at Ramstein; Ken Bell at Zaragoza, Spain.

Bob and Terry Garwood, and daughter Diane, still very much in the Air Force, are spending a year training with Thiokol Chemical Corporation at Brigham City, Utah (958 Grandview Road, Lindsay Park).

From the Air Force Academy, John and

Niki Wesner write that they have a new daughter, as of last June. John is in the Department of Electrical Engineering; Lenny Griggs, in Math; Jaime Ortiz, in languages; Phil and Ann Vollman, and new daughter Jaqueline, in English; Bill Frier, in languages; Gus Fryer, in physics, and the Jim Crews, in athletics.

And here are some late addresses for several classmates: Marge and Bob Downey at 117 Adams St., Braintree, Mass.; Bill and Lee Schulz at 978 Blair Court, Palo Alto, Calif.; Prop and Alice Walker at 6012 Ponder St., Fort Bliss, Tex.; Jess and Joan Moore at 5151 Boca Raton Drive, Dallas, Tex.; Dick and Diane Hobbs at 833-B Terry Drive, Fort Benning, Ga.; the Bill Wallaces at 1622-A James Road, River Village, Fort Belvoir, Va.; Bobbie and Leon Bryant and three children at 8257 Cedar, Fairchild AFB, Wash.; Ed and Becky McNair at 233 Haverhill St., Reading, Mass.; Paul and Edna Lansky at 16 Short St., Brookline, Mass.; Ellen and Spike Briggs at 2511 Marianne Drive, Albany, Ga.; Joe and Dick Renfro at West Point.

Thanks for all the news. Write before the next deadline—June 1st. Same Address: James G. Plunkett, Tompkins Ave., Upper Nyack, N.Y.

Best regards to all.

—Jim

1955

Our lion's share of the last ASSEMBLY must be followed with a much more modest contribution this time. Fortunately, however, we have news of several people who were unaccounted for in last issue's "roll call."

Particularly, the Air Force is making itself known this time. You should find on these pages a photo taken at a class reunion held at the Air Force Academy at about the same time many of the rest of the class were gathering at West Point. Currently stationed at the Air Force Academy are Dave Burroughs (English,) Bill Anderson (English,) Dick Masson (Political Science,) Bob McKelvey (Astronautics,) Roland Nordlie (Mechanics,) Dick Prater (Physics,) and Bob Strickland (Physical Education.) A son, Eric,



Oct. 15, 1960—West Point Reunion Class of 1955 held at Lt. and Mrs. R. L. Nordlie's, Qtrs. 4502 D, USAF Academy, Colorado. **Back row:** Penny and Dave Burroughs, Bob and Lynn Strickland, Carla Beedy and Tom Bell, Bill and Jan Anderson, Dick Masson. **Seated:** Bob and Ester McKelvey, Ginny Nordlie, Barbara Prater, Greta Masson. **On Floor:** Roland Nordlie, Dick Prater.

was born to Roland and Ginny Nordlie on 1 February of this year. Others expected to arrive at the Air Force Academy this summer include Bill, Betty, and Nancy Goodwin; and Al, Edie, Jimmie, and Karen Edwards. Bill will be teaching Physics at the Academy after completing his work here at the University of Wisconsin. Al will be teaching mechanics; he is currently winding up his master's thesis on the "influence of very low atmospheric pressure on the fatigue of metals."

Incidentally, Carl Cathey has made a count of classmates in graduate school. At the time of his count, there were over one hundred of us (out of a class of 470) in school or just finishing up. Carl, Marcia, Kim and Mike Cathey are currently at Itazuke AFB, Japan, finding the Orient very fascinating. Carl is a flight commander (and a captain); his duties have brought him in touch with John Lapham and Milt Herman in Korea (John is now stateside at AFIT,) and with Jud Faurer and his family on Okinawa. En route over to Japan in 1960, Carl visited with Jim and Mary Keegan at Hamilton AFB, California.

Norb Glidden is currently enjoying life in Hawaii, where he is assigned as a general's aide. Dale Ward has completed his work at the University of Colorado, and is now with the Air Force Ballistic Missile Division, in Englewood, California. At the AFIT in Dayton, Ohio, are John and Barbara Beoddy and family, and Russ, Irene, and Peggy Hodges. Russ reports that other classmates are also there; but he had just arrived for duty and had not yet had a chance to learn who they were.

The list of classmates assigned to USMA is also growing. Bob and Phyl Chapman, Jay and Mona McCormack, the Frank Donalds, Norm and Susan Sparks, and the Wixes—Bill, Mary Ellen, Cindy, Linda, and Tom (born 30 November 1960,) will be arriving at West Point shortly.

Newly arrived in Korea are Bob Strati, after completing the Quartermaster Advanced Course at Fort Lee, and Bill Lozier, Ted Livesay, and Ed Nidever, from Fort Benning, Pat, Teresa, and Kathleen Strati will be staying near West Point until Bob's return from Korea. Joanne Lozier will be staying at Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, where she is expecting their third child. Ann Nidever is expecting the arrival of their first child soon.

Bob Soper is stationed at Fort Lee with a Quartermaster unit. Dick, Barbara, Ricky, and Davy Hargrove are at Fort Riley, where Dick is assigned to G-3 Plans and Operations. Jack and Marlowe Viney are expecting their second child prior to leaving Okinawa for Fort Sill in July. Fred and Jean Phillips, now at Princeton, brought the count to an even two boys, two girls in September, 1960. Bill and Pat Lucas had their third child, Katherine, in October. Bill works for AC Sparkplug Electronics Division in Milwaukee. Hank, Willie, and Randall Hollensbe are living in Tacoma, Washington. Bill Brown is in Columbus, Ohio. I am embarrassed to report that I have lost Bill's letter with further details of his activities. Felix Dorough is now in

Mexico, as a vice-consul for the State Department.

Ed Wallnau of the Hotel Piccadilly has sent a note asking to be remembered to his friends of the Class of '55.

Keep in mind that my deadline for getting a column to the editors comes usually about a week or two after the previous ASSEMBLY has been distributed in the U. S. Therefore, if you have news for the next issue (and I know you must have,) take pen in hand *now*. . . .

—John Lovell

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1956

Your response to my plea for more news and mail was gratifying indeed; therefore I will waste a minimum of space getting on with the gossip.

Christmas Cards flowed in from all corners of the earth. NICK and CAROLYN NICHOLSON and their sons, BOBBY and ALLEN from Bayreuth, Germany, BOB and PAT PEARSON and their MARY and BARBARA from Topeka, Kansas (Bob's flying B-47s for SAC); RIC SHEAN with MAAG in Taipei, Taiwan; JIM, TITA and BILLY WAGGENER from Lombard, Illinois; AL, GINGER and JON THELIN from Chevy Chase, Maryland; and GREG WOLD working with Sundstrand and attending Rockford College nights,) his ILINE and their VICKI in Rockford, Illinois, all were among those thoughtful enough to forward a greeting card our way.

It appears that this country's colleges are bulging with classmates. DICK and ZADA PIERCE report from Iowa State University that there is quite a local contingent majoring in the two-year Civil Engineering-Nuclear Engineering Course. Among these are DICK PIERCE, DAVE MUNTZ with GAIL and their two children, BOB and CHRIS EASTON, and MARCEY WILLIAMSON with MARIA and little MARCEY TERESA. There for the one year grind in Civil Engineering are TED OGREN, CAROLYN and their two children, and HUGH MUNSON with KIT and their four. Lest I forget, the Pierce's welcomed a baby, DEBRA LEE, a new sister for their son, RICK. Debra checked in 2 August 1960.

From the U. of Arizona CARL and ANN HERRMANN are studying the intricacies of Electrical Engineering along with "GRIF" and SARA LOU McREE (with GRIF JR.) TOM and MARILYN MILLER and "NICK" MAVROTHERIS. The most recent joy to the Herrmann household is JANICE HELENE, born 26 November 1960. Out at the University of Utah, BEN TINDALL is preparing himself to teach math at the A. F. Academy. Ben is with his wife, BECCA, their daughter, ERICA and their latest addition, JOHN BENTON III, born 13 August 1960.

At New Mexico State U. in Las Cruces, STEVE BEEBE hit the jackpot. He collected his Masters in E. E. this past January and married a Las Cruces girl, CAROLLYN REEL during Christmas. According to BARRY TURNER, attending New Mexico State U., Steve and his wife will remain at the White Sands

Proving Grounds for a few months before Steve is assigned elsewhere. Steve, I hope this won't interfere with your annual Christmas party given each 29 Dec. at your home in Washington D. C. By the way, Barry and his GINNEY and their SALLY, DICK, and BECKY have been faithful correspondents throughout their service careers; and so to them, and all the others of you like them, I offer my humble thanks.

BOB and SHIRLEY DEVOTO sent along a very complete list of the doings of former E-1ers. As you may recall, Bob is attending MIT and aiming for two advanced degrees by June 1962. Nevertheless, he and his Shirley have found sufficient time to keep an E-1 newsletter circulating. I am sending along to you excerpts from the latest of these excellent newsletters.

The DeVotos and the remainder of the Class express their sympathy to PORTER and GAIL MEDLEY, who lost their youngest boy, SCOT, 4½ months old, on 6 December 1960. Porter expects to be transferred from Webb AFB to Randolph AFB in March. JIM and GEORGINE BAUCHSPIES returned from Hawaii in November 1960 and are now at Ft. Eustis, Va., where Jim is attending the Transportation Corps Advanced Course. Their big news is the expectation of a baby in April (their first.) JIM and KAREN BEAL and little TERRI are living in Edmonds, Wash., where Jim is training for sales with the American Can Company. Jim has recently joined a reserve Army intelligence unit in Seattle and plans to attend the Founder's Day festivities in Ft. Lewis. Jim reports GEORGE and KATHY LEONARD have moved to McChord Field in Tacoma, Wash. DICK and MARY CREWS are residing in Lafayette, Ind., while Dick finishes school at Purdue. After June and graduation, they plan to live in the Washington D.C. area. RICK FREDERICK and his wife, RINA (married last July) spent their Christmas leave in Rome with General Frederick, who has recently retired. They'll probably return to the States in a few months, where Rick will attend advanced school and from there be assigned as an instructor at the Academy.

The De Voto's also report that HELEN, MORGAN, and VICKY MAYSON will return in May from Germany; Morgan will study nuclear physics at Purdue. After this, he hopes to join the West Point Electricity Department. ROGER REDHAIR and FRANK BONNARENS are still in Korea. MARY REDHAIR and the girls have moved to Wichita, Kansas, to await his return, while RINA BONNARENS, FRANK JR., JOANNE and MICHELE are patiently waiting for daddy Frank at their Tacoma, Washington residence. PHIL STYNES spent an evening at the DeVoto home while on Christmas vacation from Ohio State. He completes his two years' work in June with an M. S. in nuclear physics, after which he hopes to join West Point's Chemistry Department. He also has recently become engaged to MISS DIANE BENNETT of Columbus, Ohio, and their wedding is slated for sometime after his graduation. BILL, JANET, KIM and JAMIE WEIHL are presently stationed at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky. MIKE

ZEIGLER is completing his third year at Cornell Medical School. He, ROGER and DERRIE BLUNT, FRED and ROBIN HOLMES, and KEN and MYRA WITHERS were all guests of the DeVoto's for a small '56 reunion. Ken Withers and Roger Blunt are combining civil and nuclear engineering for two M. S. degrees, while Fred Holmes is studying physics.

BOB, MARY and little KATHY SORLEY passed along the latest from the Ft. Knox area. Bob is presently commanding A Troop, 6th Cavalry, while the remainder of the 6th Cavalry finds DICK PARKER as Exec. Officer of D Troop, GUS JOHNSON as CO of G Troop, CHARLIE POOLE as CO of K Troop, BILL WESCOTT as CO of L Troop, JERRY HUFF as CO of M Troop and "ZUKE" DAY as Assistant S-3 of the 6th Cavalry. JOHN L. JOHNSEN has recently transferred to Knox from Europe. Dick Parker will attend the Armor Associate Advance Class in January 1961, continue on to Harvard for two years and then join the West Point Social Science Department. Gus Johnson will vary his schedule slightly by attending the Armor Associate Advance Class, study at Princeton for two years, then join Dick in the Academy Social Science Department.

CAROLYN and RAY CANNON sent a Christmas hello and the news from Wright-Patterson AFB. Ray is participating in night flights and attending AFIT by day. The Cannon's hosted the REINHARDT'S over Thanksgiving for a little bridge party. My humblest apology Tom for calling your son, KURT, a girl in one of the recent issues of this magazine. The Cannon's visited with JIM, DENISE and all the LINDEN children in Columbus, Ohio, around October of 1960.

HARRY CRANDALL sent a note from Ft. Campbell saying that there is still a fairly strong contingent of bachelors in WALLY CRAIN, FRED RALL and himself holding out in that area. Fred will depart soon for Benning and then continue on to Korea. Of the married types at Campbell, there are RANDY and DAGMAR McCREIGHT, the GEORGE ROSTINES and the JON PORTERS. BILL SCHRAGE paid Harry Crandall a visit while traveling between stations from Germany to Ft. Lewis, Washington.

Elsewhere in the States BARRI and DENNY BUTLER took pen in hand to inform me that, since their Morocco assignment, they have been transferred to the 653rd AC&W Sqdn. at England AFB, Alexandria, La. They apparently haven't seen anyone or heard from anyone, so I'll pass on their address and hope that the letter response is overwhelming. The Butler residence is 2007 Vance Ave., Alexandria, La. By the way, the Butler's are now a fivesome, since BETH (18 months) and BRENDA BARI, born 20 November 1960 joined little DENNY, JR.

In Europe, we understand that TONY ORTNER, his wife BONNIE and their daughter, DEANNA, are in Germany and have seen JOHN SNODGRASS from time to time. We also hear that ED VALLENCE is still lurking somewhere in that vicinity. JESSE, and CYNTHIA BLACKWELL and their FRANCES and BENNY sent along a very interesting and informa-

tive Christmas Card from Stuttgart, Germany. Benny (Benjamin Dalton) was born 15 February 1960. Jesse left the Artillery for the Transportation Corps and is presently assigned to a truck battalion in Boblingen, a suburb of Stuttgart. It appears that HARRY CHRISTOPHER and "WIN" FRANK have also transferred to the Transportation Corps. Harry is at Wurttemberg, "Win" in Giessen.

STEVE BOYLAN will take time away from his duties as aide to General Ryan, VII Corps Artillery, to marry MARGARET GREEF from Nurnberg. The ceremony will be performed in Devon, England. GEORGE LEE, his wife and his daughter, MELISSA, are in the 1st Howitzer Bn., 2nd Arty; however, this outfit's present location is unknown. Others the Blackwells have seen or heard of are DICK TRIPP (seen in Frankfurt), KEN KNOWLES, DON HAMMEL, RUSS MERICLE (playing quarterback for the SHAPE Indians) and DOUG WILLIAMS (Brussels).

A fresh, new arrival in the FARRELL and NANCY PATRICK family is NANCY SUZANNE, born on 13 January 1961 in Wurzburg, Germany. Another significant birth occurred in the GEORGE and PEGGY STAPLETON family when little GREGORY JAMES arrived in Wiesbaden, Germany, 23 December 1960. George also mentioned in his birth announcement that the Stapletons with their two sons, GEORGIE and GREG, will rotate in July, 1961 to Ft. Benning and the Infantry Advance Class, as will CHARLEY SARKISS, STAN DIEZ, WILLIE CRITES, KEITH BARLOW and "J.J." CLARK. George also asked me to remind all of you that he still hasn't received any request for payment for flowers sent to any of our deceased classmates. He reminds all of us that the Class Fund should and can be used for any expenses of this type.

From the land of the Lotus Blossom came a card from WARD and JUDY LE HARDY saying they love Japan. They attended a recent party hosted by BOB and DIANE GRASSBERGER who are presently assigned to Johnson AFB near Tokyo. The SHEEHANS and the BOWMANS were also present for the small Class reunion. Apparently Ward is still aide to the Commanding General, USARJ.

NORM LEVY enclosed with his letter from Korea a birth announcement which stated that little LINDA SHARON arrived 23 December 1960 in Rochester N.Y. That makes two Class babies (including the Stapleton's) born the same day, not to mention the fact that this is our wedding anniversary. Mother SANDY and their other two, DIANE (3½) and JEFFREY (2) are all fine. Norm is Ass't S-3 in the 2nd Howitzer Bn., 8th Artillery in Korea, and Jim Bolin is the Battalion Communications Officer, MEL WUEST is Recon and Survey Officer in the 19th Artillery, and SKIP RAJALA, JACK MUNSEY, TONY BENISH and RENNY HART are also still in Korea. While on leave in Japan, Norm Levy joined AL CARR and his wife for Thanksgiving Dinner. Al is presently serving as a general's aide. He will return to Ft. Sill in August, 1961 to attend the Advanced Officer's Course.

Here in the Los Angeles area, many

new events have taken place, or are about to happen. TOM and JUNE WINTER welcomed CATHERINE ELLEN, their second on 18 February 1961. MIKE and JANET ESPOSITO will have been blessed twice by the time you read this, and the Wilkers are patiently waiting for their first this April. BOB SCHULER and his wife, MARLENE, are in the Palmdale, California area, where Bob is assigned to a NIKE-Hercules unit. Also, JERRY WERBEL called in from March AFB near Los Angeles recently and passed along news that he has seen AL HOFFMAN in the Azores, JACK CHAMBERS has resigned his commission, ED REDLINE has transferred to the Ordnance Corps, and JIM COOK is a B-47 navigator. Jerry is presently an aircraft commander in SAC's KC-97 tanker aircraft and is still single. While Jerry was too modest to mention this, I understand from another source that he set up orientation classes for the ROTC summer encampment. These programs were so enthusiastically received, he was asked to present portions of his classes to a group of visiting deans and university presidents of east coast colleges on their recent visit to Lockbourne AFB.

The final news I have is that JERRY SKATVOLD, formerly of the Air Force, has resigned his commission and is employed with Ducommun Metals in the Los Angeles area. While I don't have any definite news on the Class reunion at West Point, I believe that it will take place during the Homecoming Football game weekend. I will make it a point to publish a list of names and addresses of all major hotels and motels in the West Point area in order to permit those of you who can attend this reunion to make advance reservations. I will also pass along further details as they are made available concerning any special reunion activities. In the meantime, I hope that all of you will make an effort to send along any Founders' Day snap shots which are worth printing.

—Stan Wilker
22439 Marlin Place
Canoga Park, California

1957

Thanks go to Bill Huckabee, Dick Stephenson, Dana Mead, and Jack Meehan for their letters this time. Much of this poop is second-hand, from classmates here in Hawaii.

In the advanced course at Benning this fall will be Bob Merrick, now with the 54th Infantry in Germany, Ted Voorhees, aide to Lt. Gen. Oakes, the VII Corps CG, Jack Meehan, Jack Sobraske, Nick Robinson, Speed Negaard (all in Germany), and BJ Tullington (now here in Hawaii).

In the 4th Armored Division in Germany, Bruce Turnbull is still in the 15th Cav, Tim Murchison is Motor Officer of the 67th Armor, Windy Gale is S-2 of CCB, Junior Gaspard is aide to the CG, and Champ Buck, now with the 67th Armor, is due for rotation to the States. Don Cline is still at Ulm with the 51st Infantry, and JJ Cortez is with the 66th Armor.

Jerry Scott and Herm Day are in the

10th Special Forces Group at Bad Tolz; Jim Edgar will have left Berlin for CONUS before this issue reaches print. Chuck Matthews is in the 724th Ordnance Battalion. Waxey Gorden is reportedly flying putt-putts out of Verdun, and Jesse James is in Schwaebisch Gmund. Ed Soyster and Jay Toole are reputed to be having a ball with SETAF in northern Italy, while Dick Bone is aide to the CG of that outfit and is living in Latin splendor in Naples. Bill Huckabee was presented with an early Christmas present on 4 December last when William Thomas IV appeared. Bill has since resigned in order to assume responsibility for the family business in Albemarle, North Carolina. Jim and Gloria Pocock now have two sons; they're in the 14th Armored Cav at Fulda, Germany. Frank Stevens, still a bachelor, is with a Nike battalion near Weisbaden. Dave Nottingham is in the 292d Engineers at Kaiserslautern. Chuck Lea, having extended six months and added a son to his clan, is Assistant G-2 Air of the 3d Armored Division in Frankfurt. Chuck will attend the U. of Missouri this summer. Ray Bell is with a tank company in Friedberg; Tony Solberg is Assistant S-3 of a tank battalion. Mike Stein is a Combat Command commo platoon leader in Gelnhausen. In the 33d Armor are Bob and DeJeanne Comeau (who now have a son and daughter), Walt Pritchard, and Hawk Conrad, a recent father. Frank Willet is assistant S-3 of the 48th Infantry at Gelnhausen. John, Mary, and Nick Politis recently left Germany for Ohio and the real estate business. Don Fitzpatrick is in the 1st Cav of the 3d Armored Division at Kirchgoens. Up in the 14th Armored Cav, Joe Shimek is assistant adjutant, with Sam Focer and Bill Sowers operating on border posts at Hersfeld. Steve Glick is in a Corps Arty outfit at Giessen. Bill King, who was recently married, is in the 52d Infantry at Friedberg. Among the Signal types, Ozzie McLaughlin and Cory McCullum are in the 3d AD Signal Battalion in Frankfurt. Lenny Marella, when last heard from, was in a NATO signal outfit in Fountainbleau, France. In the 23d Engineer Battalion at Hanau are Gerry Galloway (battalion S-3) Dick Pastore (company commander) and Dick Kenyon (XO). Ed Bodenhamer, now in Ordnance, is at Mannheim. Warne Mead, Hal Dyson, and John Dunning are in the 504th at Mainz. John Hocker, with the 4th Infantry at Mannheim, was seen escorting some 20 co-eds around Germany for a month. Dana Mead is aide to the ADC of the 3d Armored Division at Frankfurt.

The two pictures accompanying the column show, respectively, Army-Navy parties at Augsburg and at Gelnhausen last November.

When BB McDonough got married in October, George McGovern concocted a fake set of orders sending him and his bride to a "fund council meeting" at Nurnberg. The hoax was exposed on arrival when they walked into a surprise party thrown by Jack and Joan Cooper, Ace and Terry Manahan, Parks and Sue Houser, George and Christina McGovern, and the Jack Meehans.

Dick Stephenson, characteristically, didn't include much poop on himself in

ASSEMBLY

Augsburg Army-Navy Party

his letter, but we do know that he's studying for his Masters in Business Administration at the Wharton School of the U of Pennsylvania, and is living in nearby Landsowne, Pa. Mike Petruno, still unmarried, remains with SAC Hq in Nebraska. Jerry Meyers, with three boys, is in Navigation School at Waco, Texas. Joe Cygler is at Ft. Benning. George Iverson, at VPI, Bill Yates, at MIT, and Bill Ellis at Georgia Tech, are all studying for their Masters in Aeronautical Engineering. Ken Halloway is at the U of Tennessee for nuclear engineering. Jim Woolnough is enroute to Georgia Tech, and Bud Langworthy is finishing up at the U of Texas. Ed Hickey, after helping coach the USMA hockey squad this season, enters the U of Pennsylvania this fall. Glenn Swindler is at Stevens Institute. The above, from George Iverson down, are in the Transportation Corps. Charlie Erb, now a civilian, is being sent to graduate school by Standard Oil of New Jersey. John Ledbetter is with an investment firm in New York. John Hamilton is at Harvard Law School. Bob and Ellie Dagle, with their two daughters, are with DuPont in Waynesboro, Va. Bob Kyasky is reportedly with AVCO in Connecticut after a brief stab at professional football in Canada was cut short by a knee injury. Pete and Abby Leighton are with Texas Instruments in Washington, DC, and Tony Bullota is at USMA coaching B-squad football.

Bernie Penrose was married 24 September and is now at Ft Sam Houston in the Signal Corps. Dick White reports to the AF Academy in September after two years at Ohio State. Don Kutyna is flying B-47s out of March AFB. Bill Chase is a helicopter pilot at Hill AFB in Ogden, Utah. Ed Gee, at Hickam AFB, flies C-118s. Earl Pettibone is now a civilian. Hal and Ellie Dyson had a daughter, Karen Elizabeth, in August. Max Kovel's second, Sarah Beth, was born 1 September. Clancy Hall, now in the Engineers, is in Korea; Doris is home with their two children. Ben and Pat Beasley had their second and third in twin boys, Benjamin and Robert Fleming. Ralph



Front row, left to right: Milt Ewanus, Gerry Zabriskie, Don Barlow, Parks Houser, Len Wishart, Herman Day, Les Bennett. Second row, left to right: Mary Ewanus, Bobby Barlow, Sue Houser, Maureen DeLany, Ann MacDonald, Molly Day, Jody Scott. Standing, left to right: Nick Robinson, Pat Robinson, Ted Felber, Sandy Wishart, Jack Meehan, Ann Zabriskie, Dan DeLany, Nancy Zachgo, Dale Zachgo, Barbara Felber, John MacDonald, Joan Cooper, Jerry Scott, Ann Bennett, Les Pritchard, Rosaleen Meehan, Jack Cooper.

and Edie Luther now have their second. Bernie Bassie and Ed Olivares have resigned. Ed is working at Hughes Aircraft and going to UCLA nights. Dick Caldwell is at Monmouth for the Signal Advanced Course before going to Purdue and, eventually, the Juice Department. Marsh and Libby Moore, now with two children, are in Glenhausen, Germany. Stu Wright, in Straubing, Germany, had a daughter in December; Jerry Zabriskie's third boy was born the same month. Tom Hicklin will study Mechanics at the U of Illinois this year.

In Hawaii, John Bokovoy is coach of the 21st Infantry basketball team; they have two daughters, Stacy and Christy. Rich Daluga and Wally Summers are to honcho this command's tropical training center during the coming year. Joe Tedeschi leaves soon for civil schooling. Tom Adcock left in February for the Signal Advanced Course. Bill Burke leaves

in May for White Sands, New Mexico. Chuck and Martha Cooper's second, Charles H. Jr., was born December 2d, weighing in at 6lb,3oz. Chuck goes to the U of North Carolina this summer to study Nuclear Engineering preparatory to returning to the Juice Department. Bill Duncan is still aide to Brig. Gen. Mack, ADC of the 25th Inf Div; Bill recently accompanied the general to Okinawa to take jump training. Chuck Radler leaves this summer for the U of Illinois and, subsequently, the Mechanics Dept. Don Pope and Rog Currier are bound for Texas A & M this year, while Bill Ray will go to Ohio State for Civil Engineering and Geodesy.

Our next deadline is 1 June. Please write.

—George Kilishek
3812-D Collier St.
APO 957, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1958

Come the 4th of June, 1961, most of us will cross the Rubicon into "thirty-year land" We have come a long way in three years—by many different paths. Here's to the wish that all our paths may lead to satisfaction.

AIR FORCE: Tom Claffey's only complaint with assignment at Chennault AFB —about to get webs on his feet from the swamps. "Mac", Patricia and Elise Williams are at Beale AFB, California, where Mac flies B-52G's with the 31st Bomb Sq. Paul, Judy and Dick Rice live at 1624 Sumner Terrace, Wichita Falls, Texas. John Schroeder flies with the 23rd Tac Fighter Sq in Bitburg, Germany.

Denny, Shirley and Patrick James Sharon live at 216 W. Manana Blvd. Clovis, New Mexico. Patrick was born on 24 January, 1961.

John Soper has left Homestead AFB, Miami, for assignment to Minet AFB in North Dakota. On the way he will go through B-52H School at Castle AFB, California.



Front row, kneeling: Glorio Pocock, Carol Conrad, Mary Ellen Pritchard, Nancy Mead, DeJeanne Comeau, Lola Lea, Dodie Hruby. Second row, sitting: Eunice Stein, Frank Willette, Pat Schwar, Bunny Willette, Betty Nottingham, Carol Solberg, Mary Ann Nye. Back row, standing: Frank Stevens, Dusty Rhodes ('58), Dave Nottingham, Chuck Lea, Jim Pocock, Ray Bell, Mike Stein, Roger Nye ('46), Tony Solberg, Joe Schwar ('59), Hawk Conrad, Walt Pritchard, Dale Hruby ('58). Not pictured: Bob Comeau and Dana Mead.

I would appreciate receiving Tony Munger's address. He is in Misawa, Japan, but I don't have an APO.

ARMOR: John Brinson should be rotating shortly from Friedberg, Germany. Another tanker moving is Tom Carpenter—Korea at last word.

Bill Clary, with wife and son, is with the 37th Armor at Schweinfurt, Germany. Fred Easley has moved from the 14th Armored Cavalry in West Germany to Berlin. Dale Hruby and family are with the 3rd MTB, 33rd Armor, APO 39 in Germany. Dale is Bn Adjutant. The Hrubys have a new son, Dale II, born in Frankfurt. Joe Luman's wife Peggy was on duty in the maternity ward at the time.

I understand Cary Martin married a dietician from Walter Reed Army Hospital where he recuperated following his air accident in 1959.

George Michael is S-3, air slot, with the 35th Armor in Mannheim, Germany. Max Pearsall left the 12th Cav in Germany in December for the 8th MTB, 34th Armor at Fort Knox.

ARTILLERY: Ron Brunner left Germany on December 30 for assignment with the 40th Artillery Brigade at the Presidio of San Francisco after a short course at the Air Defense School, Fort Bliss.

Mike Daley is aide-de-camp with the 47th Arty Brigade (AD) at Fort MacArthur, California. Joe Davis, also out in California, is Exec of "C" Btry, 4th Bn, 65th Arty. John and Carol Devens are in the same battalion where John is CO of "B" Btry. Dick Garlick is also in the 4th Bn.

George Huff, assigned to "A" Co, 328th Ordnance, APO 221, is thinking seriously of attending the University of Florida for one year and then going to medical school.

"Pat" Kirk took Elizabeth Ann Hamilton for his wife at Grace Episcopal Church in Madison, Wis., on January 21. Jack Bradshaw and Gordon Goodman were among the groomsmen for the wedding.

Billy Mathews, stationed with SETAF, has married—at least that is what I hear through the grapevine. His wife—an Army nurse who ranks him.

Ed and Hannelore Matthews have a daughter, Kirsten Marie, born to them on November 27, 1960 in Hanau, Germany.

Gerald Mitchell was BC of an 8-inch Btry in Wertheim Germany for a period. Al Pensiero went stateside last December from SETAF on a compassionate transfer. Larry Perreault arrived in Kitzingen, Germany to join the 2nd Msl Bn, 82nd Arty on February 20. Larry's wife Elvie and son Larry, Jr. are in Chicago—ninety days until they can travel. Larry is XO, H and S Btry. "Buddy" and Jane Moentmann are with Aviation at Straubing, Germany.

Jim Ramsden has orders to USA Elm, MAAG, Cambodia, Phnom, Penh.

John Reilly is a Recon and Survey Officer in the Stuttgart area. "Dusty" Rhodes is FO with the 6th Arty in Gelnhausen, Germany.

Harry and Claradell Shedd are entertaining thoughts of settling in Southern California.

Dick Reynard is Commo Officer with

the 21st Arty in Hawaii. Garth and Sally Payne have a boy, Tommy, born to them in July, 1960. Garth is thinking of a switch to Ordnance. Art Mace became XO of "A" Btry, 21st Arty last May in Hawaii. In July he made the all-Army golf team and in December won the Divarty golf tournament.

CHEMICAL CORPS: The Claflin's address while at Ohio State is 1750 Ashland Ave., Columbus 12, Ohio.

ENGINEERS: Bob Bunker was to have been on his way to Korea in January. Bob and "Jody" Dey had a son on December 5 at Hanau, Germany—Robert, Jr. Bob is with the 503rd Aviation Co.

Jim Hall married "Dee" Gymr at Falls Church, Virginia, on January 28. Jim is Ass't Exec in OCE. At Fort Hood Bill Wafer married an Army nurse named Barbara. They both received orders for California where Bill is an aide-de-camp.

Bob Hayden is with the 23rd Engineer Bn at Hanau. He and Barbara have one child. Orlie Hill is XO of "C" Co, 3rd Engineer Bn near Munich. He and Harriet have no children yet—"but had a fox." Alex Johnson is Ass't S-3, 3rd Engr Bn in Munich. Jim Sigler is CO, "B" Co, 3rd Engr Bn, APO 24 and Tony Smith is with Co "E" in the same battalion. Mel and Kay Farrar are in Kitzinger, Germany now, having moved down from Schweinfurt. Mel is still with the 10th Engr Bn, APO 36. George and Judy Sibert are with the 8th Avn Co, Bad Krueznach, Germany (APO 111).

INFANTRY: "Sam" Benjamin is Assistant S-4 with the 506th Inf at Fort Campbell, Ky. John Bradley remains in the aide business, now aide-de-camp to Lt. Gen. Trapnell. Jim Brooks was to have been on his way to Korea in January.

Pete Byrne's engagement to Patricia Ann Northam was announced recently in Augsburg, Germany. The wedding is planned for June. Pete is with the 46th Inf, 3rd Armored Division.

Les Gibbings is Exec with Headquarters Co, 2nd BG, 2nd Inf in Augsburg. Also with the 2nd Inf is John Herren, Exec of Co "E". I understand Friedburg, Germany is George Hussey's home in Germany—through I don't know his unit or assignment. The same goes for Dick Lynch. Joe Schwar is Mortar Plt Ldr with the 48th Inf in Gelnhausen, Germany (APO 39). Chuck Toftoy has left France for Munich, Germany and assignment with "A" Co, 1st BG, 21st Inf. Barry Zwick returned to the States in December from Augsburg.

Larry Malone is with the Command Section, MAAG Section, APO 285, N. Y., as aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. Royal Reynolds, Deputy Chief of MAAG in Spain, Madrid to be specific.

John Isaacson is aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. R. E. Haines at Fort Hood, Texas. He and Judy live at 509 Waslon, Killeen, Texas. Hal Lyon has extended at Fort Campbell until at least July. Dave Swanson, SS-10 Plt Ldr with the 501st, has also extended.

Dick and Glenda Smith had a daughter in April, 1960. Dick and Barbara Klosowski now have two children in their family, Tommy and Susan, at Fort Kobbe, Canal Zone. I understand Tom Maliska also has a young son.

ORDNANCE: "Sandy" Evans is among the latest additions to Ordnance ranks. In January he was to have returned stateside from Germany for schooling.

John Palmer hoped to have his transfer completed in December. He and Barbara have two daughters, Kathy and Gretchen.

SIGNAL CORPS: Bob Degen is at Bad Kreuznach, Germany. Paul Wagner, still at Fort Monmouth, is Carrier Plt Ldr with the 595th Signal Co (Support). Paul and Joan live at 37 Vaughn Court, Eatontown, N. J.

Dick and Audrey Webb had a son, Richard Andrew, born to them on February 13, 1961, in Augsburg, Germany. Dick is with Co "A", 24th Signal Bn, 24th Inf Division.

As always, Linda is giving me a hand in preparing this column for the mail. Momentarily I may lose her services as we are again expecting a visit from the stork—but soon!

As a matter of interest, since first beginning this column I have heard from over sixty percent of the class either directly or indirectly. How about a line or two from the remaining thirty-eight percent before my next deadline on June 1.

—Frank Waskowicz

F.B., 2d Msl. Bn. 82d Arty
APO 36, New York, N. Y.

1959

Spring has sprung and once again it's drill time on the beloved plain. Sigh. The best thing about this season is that it brings promise of more classmates crawling out from under now aged brownboy and writing letters to destitute reporter in Bayreuth. Bitte.

Not so bad as all that however for the spring issue, and the class takes note of and bestows felicitations on the following weddings:

Bill Isaac to Naomi Faust on 18 March at Biloxi, Mississippi. Bill is with USAF at Keesler AFB.

Russ and Gray Miner on 10 July at Santa Barbara, California. Russ is with the 3rd Med Tk Bn, 69th Armor in Hawaii.

Chris and Linda Lawrence at Fort Sill in August.

Bill Toskey to Linda Green on 26 March 1960 in Tacoma, Washington. Bill is engineering with the 3rd Infantry at APO 29 in Germany.

Tom and Ann Russell on 11 June at Fort Bragg.

Hugh and Suzie Socks on 22 January 1960 at Fort Bragg with a baby boy in December.

Dick and Mickey Skowronek on 23 July in Detroit.

Dick and Agnete Sundt on 17 June in Copenhagen, now with B Btry, 5th How Bn, 92nd Artillery at APO 29 in Germany.

Mike and Helen Fletcher in November, now at Fort Devens.

Dick and Dolly Harnley on 10 November, now at Dachau, Germany.

Congratulations also to the proud parents of the latest new arrivals as follow:

A son, Jimmie, to Jim and Marian Taylor on 9 Jan at Harlingen, Texas. Daddy, a USAF-type, is currently in Navigator

School in Harlingen but says he hopes to return to the United States in July.

A son, Michael Scott to Rody and Pat Conway on 3 December. Rody is with the 82d Airborne at Fort Bragg.

A son, John Francis to John and Bev Corby with the 307th Engineers, also at Bragg. Little John arrived 26 January.

A daughter, Megan, to Dick and Boc McPeck sometime in October. Dick is riding tanks in Ulm, Germany.

An Irishman, Michael Patrick, to Joe and Terry Enright in November at Fort Devens.

An exemption, Steven Thomas, to Dan and Sue Schrader on 31 December. Papa is currently doing light duty as a Marine aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt and claims newest model Schrader is fully automatic, air-cooled, self-propelled, but must be cleaned and fed at definite intervals for maximum performance. My old roomy a father.

A girl Anne Michelle, to Jim and Beckey Turner on 8 November. Jim is now with the Air Force Security Service in Korea. Address is 6929th RSM, APO 970, San Francisco.

A son, Timothy William, to Bill and Bobby Fitzgerald on 20 July. Bill is with 3d Sqdn, 4th Cav, in Hawaii.

A son, Randy, to Randy and Carole Bell on 16 July. Big Randy is with 1st BG, 14th Infantry in Hawaii.

A son, Jeff, to Jim and June Freeland born 19 May 1960. Jim is with 125th Sig- nal Bn in Hawaii.

A girl, Deborah Linn, to John and Marti Harrell, born on 22 July, now with 3d How Bn, 13th Arty in Hawaii.

A son, David, to Don and Jeanne Coen on 4 April 1960, joining the 25th Aviation Company in Hawaii.

A son, Tommy, to Marv and Marion Thomas on 27 October. Marv also in Hawaii with 3d How Bn, 13th Artillery.

And a daughter, Karen, to 1st BG, 14th Infantry in Hawaii on 29 September with John and Pat Eberhard as co-spon- sors.

And from the foregoing we may de- duce that sons are outnumbering daugh- ters 5 to 2 in Hawaii this issue.

Forty-seven classmates plus wives, chil- dren, dogs and cats are stationed in Ha- waii, and 3 December saw their first class reunion-promotion party at the Schofield Barracks Officers' Club. Thirty-two were in attendance and all reports indicate a

blast. Besides those from Hawaii men- tioned above, others in attendance were Joel and Isobel Kampf, Mike and Mary Jane Nash, Fitz and Barbara Chandler expecting in February, Guy Heath, San- dy and Carol Beach, George and Mary Harrison with one standing in the door, Greek Johnson with no children thank God, Freddie and Susie Manzo, Jim and Nancy Satterwhite expecting in March, Skip and Linda Tyler with one stand- ing in the door, Chip and Barbara Haight also expecting, Bernie and Alice Dor- show, Tim and Penny Plummer, Bill and Sue Buell, Ollie and Diane Langford, Bob Beale, Bill Wheeler, and Fred (Pride of Waikiki) Malek.

Besides Fred Malek there are other bachelor beachcombers living in plush apartments on Waikiki, including Harry Walters, Joe Shea, Connie Boyle, Fred Smith, Greg Kadlec, Don Ludlam and Bruce Porter. We send you greetings from the frozen North.

Oops! Two other births are congratu- lated from Hawaii bringing the ratio to 5 to 4 with potential cadets still in the lead. They are Colette to Bob and Mary Ann Ranalli and 1st BG 27th Infantry on 21 April, and Krista to Rush and Annie Yelverton and 7th How Bn, 11th Artillery on 25 March 1960.

About a week after the big affair, three more couples joined the group in Hawaii. They were Linda and Chris Lawrence, Bill and Joyce O'Meara, and Bruce and Carol Bradley, all reporting for duty with the 25th Aviation Company.

Since 27 December, however, Malek, Porter, Beale, and John Gurr, all bache- lers, have left Hawaii for six months' TDY in Viet Nam. Purpose, says Fred in a letter, is to set up a ranger course for the Viet Nameese to run through, and all four are pleased with the assignment.

Reb Bearce sends greetings to all along with news of classmates in the Marine Corps as follows. He, John Rindfleisch, Ted Baker, John Grinalds, Otis Tibbets, Gary Simmons, and Dan Schrader re- ported to Basic School at Quantico on 3 August 1959 and stayed there until 7 April 1960. Then Dan and Sue Schrader were married and Dan joined the Marine Detachment aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt. Ottie Tibbets and John Rind- fleisch went to Camp Pendleton, and Gary Simmons reported to Pensacola for Naval Flight Training. John Grinalds, Ted

Baker and Reb remained at Quantico as platoon leaders for officer candidates, an ordeal which Reb describes as the Mar- ine Corps version of Beast Barracks. Fin- ally, last September, Grinalds went to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, Baker joined the Marine Detachment aboard the USS Coral Sea, and Bearce reported for duty with the 2d Bn, 9th Marines at Pendle- ton.

And thus expireth the copy for the Spring issue. Please let's have much more for the summer issue, the deadline for which is 1 June. Any tidbits of poop concerning yourself or the classmates sta- tioned with you is greatly appreciated.

In closing, the class joins the family of our classmate, Jack Veidt, in mourning his passing in January in an L-19 accident near Nurnberg, Germany.

—Joseph H. Coreth

Hq, 1st Recon Sqdn, 2d Armd Cav
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1960

Well, troops, for the most part, all of us have completed our apprenticeship with the service schools and Benning's courses in Applied Zootechny (look it up), and it's high time to put out a call for class news. I decided to wait until this point before placing an entry in the Class Notes column because of the dif- ficulty in contacting people, and every- one's transient status (my own included).

I know all of you were as shocked as I to hear of the untimely deaths of Clark Chandler and Mike Lane. Such double tragedy at a point so soon after Gradua- tion is difficult to rationalize, and one is struck by the harshness of Fate's whit- tling at the Class Roll so quickly. I'm sure you all join me in expressing our sincere condolences to the Chandler family and the Lane family.

As far as class news is concerned, here's what I'd like from you: info on class get-togethers (regardless of size), marriages, new additions to the world (children, I mean), assignments, trans- fers, resignations, decorations, court-mar- tials, etc. In short, *anything* that might prove to be of interest to members of the Class. Please don't feel that your particular piece of poop is not of suffi- cient importance to warrant publication; I have lots of room in this column, and most people are pleased to read of class- mate's experiences. When you can, send snapshots as well; remember, 1000 pic- tures are worth—(?)

When you do send poop, please in- clude wife's name (where applicable), and military address. Include as many people as you can in your letters; a goodly number of classmates would like to contact someone, but don't know his whereabouts. Incidentally, I plan to keep a record of all addresses, so if you wish to locate someone, write and let me know.

The next deadline is the first of May or thereabouts, so limber up your writer's cramp and let me hear from you by then. My address is listed below. And if any of you are near Bamberg, Germany, drop in and see me.

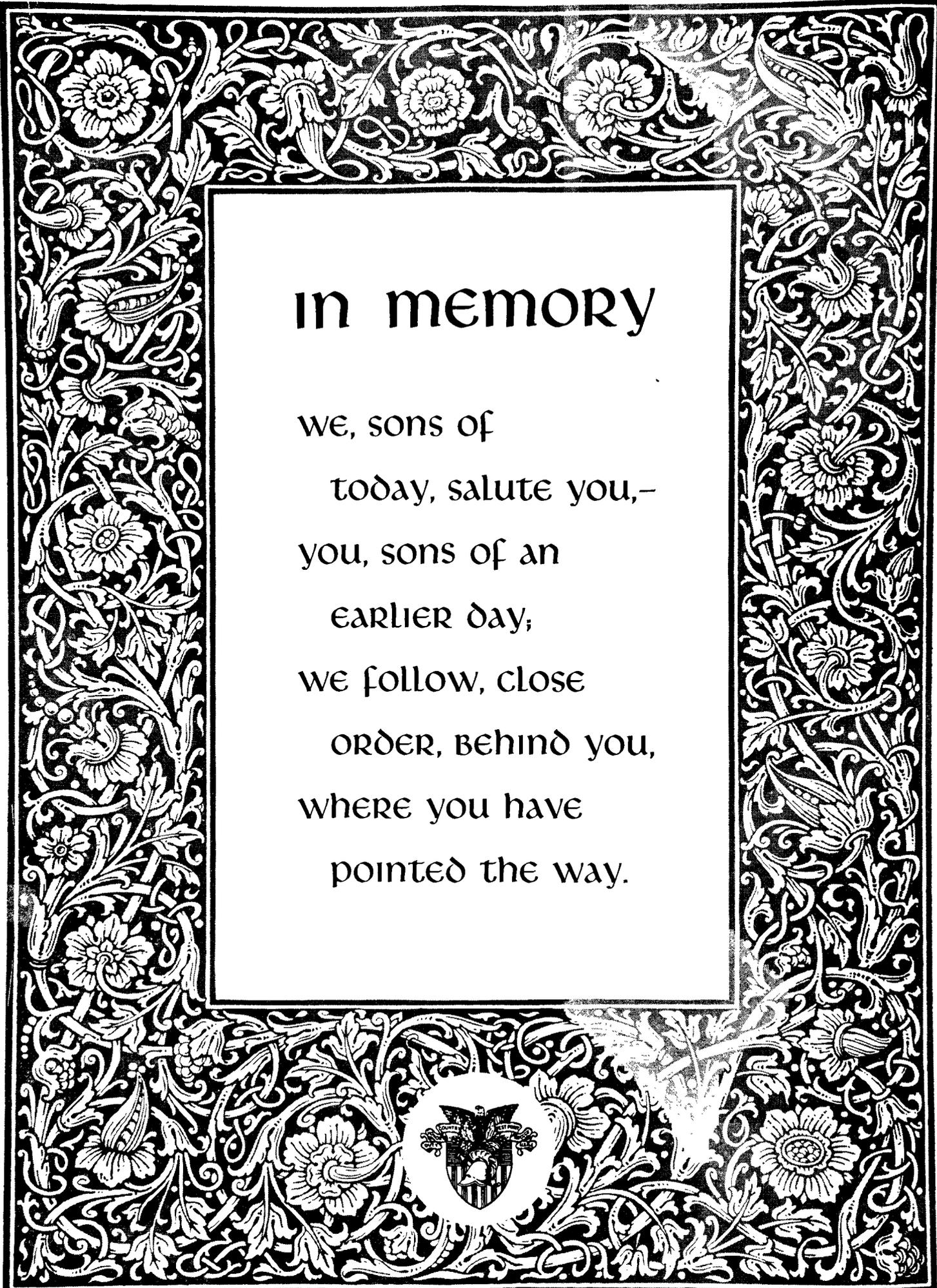
That's it for this edition; keep me posted, and I'll keep *you* posted!

—Edwin A. Deagle, Jr.

2d Recon Sqdn, 2d Armd Cav
APO 139, New York, New York



Loud shirts and Bermuda shorts are the attire as members of the class of 1959 get together for a class reunion and promotion party on 3 December in Hawaii.



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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Paul Bernard Malone

NO. 3579 CLASS OF 1894

Died October 16, 1960 at his home, 622 Siesta Drive, Sarasota, Florida, aged 88 years.

SAGE mind, ready humor, religious adherence, gracious heart, military devotion and unquenchable will, were the rare ingredients which made up the special soul of him who was affectionately called "Paul B"

When fully grown, he ignored his undersize and relative poverty. The dogged way he broke through barriers and kept his stride toward West Point, is a tale as mighty as unbelievable. For example, when he had finished an official entrance exam he found it was for the Naval Academy. Bouncing into another room, he took one for the Military Academy, completed the two in the allotted time for one, and passed both.



Being a popular and fun loving cadet didn't prevent him from coming out seventeenth in a class of fifty-four.

His army service was full and upward; in the attack on San Juan Hill and leading a company in the Philippine Insurrection; instructor of chemistry at West Point where cadets pronounced him an exceptionally able teacher; selected when only a Captain to be Judge Advocate and Provost Marshal General of the Army of Cuban Pacification; honor graduate of the Army School of the Line; sent as official observer of foreign maneuvers in Europe; named by General Pershing to be his Plans and Training Officer at headquarters in Chaumont; asked by the General where he would like to serve, he said, "at the fighting front." He was assigned command of the 23d Infantry of the famed Second Division. He successfully led his command through the carnage of Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood and Vaux. In the midst of the Aine-Marne, San Mihiel and Meuse Argonne campaigns, he was promoted temporary Brigadier General to command the brigade of which he'd been a part.

He personally led, often crawling on his belly, the dangerous crossing of the Meuse and the canal under direct enemy fire. General Pershing called it "one of

the most brilliant military feats in the history of the American Army in France." His D.S.C., four Silver Stars, and D.S.M. did not compass his feats of leadership and gallantry in battle.

He devoted himself after the war to keeping his men happy during the trying months of waiting in France to go home.

He was about to step off the boat as a Brigadier General, when he was handed a wire demoting him to normal rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He was thus deprived of leading his brigade rightfully in the welcoming parade in New York.

He uttered no whimper, but worked assiduously in the War Department General Staff. He was then sent to the newly-born Infantry School at Fort Benning as Assistant Commandant. He completely overhauled the curriculum, introduced new methods, even designed the school crest with its motto, "Follow Me!" He has been called the father of the institution. So great was his pioneering work that in March 1959, the school authorities gave him three days of honors, climaxed by naming for him The Trainfire Range Complex consisting of all twenty-four target ranges.

Belatedly in 1927 the War Department recognized his superior merits and made him a permanent Brigadier General, then permanent Major General in 1928. He then successively and successfully commanded the 2d Division and Philippine Division, Third, Sixth and Ninth Corps Areas and the Third Army.

These deeds, eminent as they are, but partially picture the scope and culture of the man. His personal leadership made his subordinates want to look up to him respectfully, even though they had to look down on his five feet four and fifteen-sixteenth inches. When I was head of a department at Benning, I had no dread in presenting to him all sorts of novel projects. He would listen avidly to the most unconventional, make immediate, unmistakable decisions, laugh if he disapproved and bless me if he did.

He was as skilled a speaker and writer as he was a soldier. He had published five volumes, mostly fiction with West Point setting.

He was known as the "Silver-Tongued Orator of the Army", and besought to speak everywhere he went, because his delivery was magnetic without ranting, perfectly enunciated without uhs and ahs and compelling continuously without trivialities but with convincing patriotism. At eighty he accepted an invitation to give a series of radio talks in San Francisco which were met with hearty approval. At eighty-three he kept an audience in Florida spellbound.

Paul B. Malone, we salute you, we follow close order behind you where you have pointed the way.

-Ganoe, '07

Harold Benjamin Fiske

NO. 3766 CLASS OF 1897

Died May 1, 1960 at San Diego, California, aged 88 years.

HAROLD BENJAMIN FISKE was born at Salem, Oregon on the 6th of November, 1871, the son of Eugene Rufus Fiske,

M.D., and Charlotte Scott Grubbe Fiske. After attendance at Willamette University of Salem, Oregon, he attended and in 1891 graduated from the Bishop Scott Academy of Portland, Oregon. He then taught for two years while awaiting an appointment at West Point, an institution he had wanted to attend for some years. He was appointed to the Academy from Portland in 1893.

General Fiske entered West Point on June 21, 1893 with the Class of 1897, a class which became one of the most distinguished classes to leave the Academy. On that day in June he commenced a military career which developed him into such an expert in training matters that he was considered in the Army of his day to have no peer where training was concerned. Not only was he later made directly responsible for the training of the American Expeditionary Force of World War I, as will be mentioned farther on, but between the wars he trained thousands of younger officers and men who



were to play important roles in World War II.

Graduating on June 11, 1897, General Fiske chose as his branch the Infantry. His standing of twenty-five in a class of sixty-six gave him a wide range of choice, but the smell of the gunpowder of the Spanish-American War was beginning to taint the air, and he chose that branch which he thought would give him the best chance of seeing active service. He never regretted it. The Infantry became one of the great loves of his life, perhaps second only to his beloved wife, and I know of no one, then or now, who knew better the Infantry, its tactics, technique, command and history, from the times of the great captains down, than did General Fiske.

General Fiske's first assignment was to the 18th Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and he missed the fighting in Cuba, getting no closer than New Orleans. But on June 14th, 1898, he sailed with his regiment for the Philippines. During the next several years he saw an astonishing amount of fighting and number of campaigns in a period that the average American considers a peaceful one. He fought against the Spaniards at Manila and participated in its capture on August 13, 1898, and continued to

fight and campaign against the insurgents until his return to the States in August of 1901.

May of 1902 saw General Fiske again on his way to the Philippines as a Captain, 28th Infantry. He took up his old job of fighting insurgents until his return to the United States in December 1903. He was off again, this time to Cuba in October 1906 to 1909, participated in the invasion of Vera Cruz in November 1914, and was with General Pershing on the Mexican Border in 1916.

During this busy period General Fiske found time to attend the Army School of the Line at Fort Leavenworth, from which he was an honor graduate, and to graduate from the Army Staff College, as well as to instruct at both schools.

When the first American troops were sailing for France in June 1917, General Bullard selected the then Major Fiske from a long list of recommended majors to be Brigade Adjutant (equivalent of Brigade Executive today) of the 2nd Brigade, 1st Division. Soon after arrival in France he was assigned to the Training Section of the General Headquarters, AEF and in February 1918 became Chief of Section, G-5, Training. He participated in the St. Mihiel operations with the 1st Division, September 11-14, and in the Meuse-Argonne operations with the 79th Division and the 2nd Division in September and October.

General Fiske's accomplishments as Chief of Section, G-5, AEF, can best be stated in General Pershing's own words as contained in General Fiske's citation for the Distinguished Service Medal which General Pershing wrote personally:

January 17, 1919, "for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services. In charge of the training section of the General Staff, this brilliant officer perfected and administered the efficient scheme of instruction through which the American Army in France was thoroughly trained for combat in the shortest possible time. By his great depth of vision, his foresight, and his clear conception of modern tactical training he has enabled our forces to enter each engagement with that preparedness and efficiency that have distinguished the American Army in each battle."

General Fiske was promoted to Brigadier General, National Army on June 26, 1918 and on October 16, 1918, General Pershing cabled the War Department recommending that he be promoted to Major General. But the end of the war was in sight and reductions rather than promotions were to become the order of the day. General Fiske had to wait 15 years for this deserved promotion.

Returning from France in August of 1919, General Fiske served as Instructor at the Infantry School at Fort Benning, as Chief of the Training Section, War Department General Staff, and in various garrison assignments. Promoted to Brigadier General again in 1922, he successively commanded the 1st Field Artillery Brigade, the 3rd Infantry Brigade, the 4th Coast Artillery District, the Panama Division (a Major General's command which he held from March of 1931 until the division's inactivation in 1932) and the Atlantic Sector, Canal Zone. In August

of 1933 General Fiske was promoted to Major General and given command of the Panama Department, a command he held until his retirement in 1935.

At his first station, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he met and on April 17th 1898 married Miss Lucy Brookes Keyes, daughter of Lt. Colonel Alexander S. B. Keyes. She was to be his almost constant companion for fifty-six years until her death in 1954. It is difficult for me to write of Mrs. Fiske as I can find no words to describe her wit, her wonderful sense of humor, her judgment, her strength and her kindness to those about her. In good times as well as in times of disappointment she was unchanging. To have been associated with her as her husband's aide-de-camp for nearly four years and to have received her counsel and guidance as a young officer, I shall always rate as one of my great privileges. She was ever cheerful and steadfast. A perfect wife for a great officer.

General Fiske himself was more than a great soldier to many of us who knew him. He was almost a legend. I joined him as a very young officer mid-way between the two World Wars. The Army then, as we look back, was not the best Army we have had. General Fiske and a few like him were trying to make it the best and had it not been for them, it might have been a very poor Army indeed. Many of our officers were holding grades below those they had held ten years or more before. Others, good men, but relatively unskilled, had not been officers at all until past middle age, and were nearing retirement. There seemed comparatively little incentive for hard work. But General Fiske never faltered in attempting to build the kind of Army he knew we would need again some day. By his leadership, his forcefulness, by his example of doing what was right always, he instilled a great pride in his units and made them outstanding. He had no use for the lazy, the unethical or the incompetent. But to those who tried, he gave a loyalty and an example and knowledge which stood them well. Many of those associated closely with him in my day have risen to high rank and I have had many tell me that the teachings of Major General H. B. Fiske have played a great part in their success. He was always a teacher, a trainer, a leader, and to his host of friends, a true and kind friend. The Academy can well say to him, "Well done."

General Fiske is survived by two daughters, Berenice Fiske of San Diego, California with whom he made his home at the time of his death, and Virginia Fiske Timberman, wife of Major General Thomas S. Timberman, USA-Ret, a granddaughter, Virginia Timberman Callaghan, wife of Major John W. Callaghan, USA, a grandson, Thomas Fiske Timberman, student at Georgetown University, and three great grandchildren.

Besides the Distinguished Service Medal mentioned above, General Fiske's decorations include: Silver Star; Commander, Legion of Honor (France); Croix de Guerre with Palm (France); Commander, Crown of Italy (Italy); Commander, Crown of Leopold (Belgium).

-John C. Oakes (1928)
Lieutenant General, USA

Frederic Harrison Smith

NO. 4136 CLASS OF 1903

Died January 17, 1961 at United States Army Hospital, Fort Monroe, Virginia, aged 81 years.

FREDERIC SMITH's sterling character and warm and understanding heart endeared him to his many friends and to his associates in the service. He was admired for his qualities of leadership.

His service was long, and very satisfying to him and to his dear wife "Bonny". His staff service extended from Quartermaster to Department Chief of Staff; his experience with service schools reached from student to instructor to commandant; his foreign stations were strung from Panama to Turkey to France; his positions of command rose from a platoon to a battalion to a regiment to an army corps.

And throughout, his principal interest was with people—juniors below him, seniors above him, and equals by his side. He was exacting in discipline, but understanding and sympathetic. He was tireless in his efforts; patient in his demands; ambitious, but only for the success of the tasks he undertook.

As a cadet, Fred Smith's kindness, his lighthearted manner, his magnetic personality, his active work in the YMCA, and his fine character made him an influence for good in the Corps. He was assigned to Company "F"—that company of tall stalwarts who, for some unknown reason, had a prankish sense of fun which came to the surface at unexpected times. Fred was not a leader in this, but rumor has it that he participated, and his resourceful mind helped create ideas. He himself gave generously the credit for the creation and direction of these affairs to Quinn Gray, Pope, Upham, Montgomery, Jimmy Jones, C. F. Smith, Shorts Gaston, and Sep. Johnson. Fred said that now they would be called "Commandos". His roommate during most of his cadet service was Quinn Gray.

Fred graduated high in the class of 1903 and thoroughly enjoyed later a tour of duty there as an instructor. His interest and pride in the Academy and his affection for it strengthened with the years—and with the service as a cadet of his two sons and a grandson.

Fred married Bonnycastle Harrison. They might have guessed, but they could not foresee how completely each was to fulfill the need of the other through life. They had two sons and both of them chose Army careers and graduated from the Military Academy. Daniel, the second son, died after reaching the grade of Lieutenant-Colonel. Fred Jr., the elder son, chose the Air Force, and is now carrying four stars as Commander in Chief of the United States Air Forces in Europe. Fred Jr.'s eldest son, Fred III., chose the Air Force after graduating from West Point, and is now stationed in Europe also.

Fort Monroe, being an important Coast Artillery headquarters and the home station of the branch school, was Fred's station five times during his career. There he held many positions connected with the post, the headquarters and troops

at the post, the Coast Artillery School, and the Coast Artillery Board.

His interest in the Panama Canal began when it became a United States enterprise, and his tours of duty in the Canal Zone gave him a feeling of partnership in its success. His first responsibility there was as commander of an artillery battery. His next position was as assistant to the head of the large supply organization during an important part of the construction of the canal. Later in his service, he was G-4 and then Chief of Staff at headquarters of the Panama Canal Department of the Army, after which he commanded the forces at the Pacific terminal of the canal.

Fred experienced the average, or almost the average, length of service in Washington of officers generally. He attended the Army War College, he served in the office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, War Department General Staff, he served in the office of the Chief of Coast Artillery, and as Adjutant General of the District of Columbia Militia.

He held staff and command positions in both the First and Second World Wars.

On retirement, the Smiths established their home in Hampton, Virginia, very close to Fort Monroe. Here he continued his interest in people—young people—by leading the local area activities of the YMCA and of the Boy Scouts.

There follows a brief chronological outline of Fred Smith's life and service.

Fred was born in Troy, Ohio, on May 30, 1879, of Daniel W. and Angeline Janvier Smith. He grew up in Troy where his father was president of the Troy National Bank, completing high school and teaching there for a year before entering the United States Military Academy in 1899.

Fred Smith's first station after graduation from West Point was Walla, Walla, Washington, and next Fort Snelling, Minnesota, where he met his wife-to-be. They were married on the first of October, 1906, moving shortly thereafter to Fort Monroe. Here he became a First Lieutenant of the Artillery Corps and later of the Coast Artillery Corps when that organization was established in 1908. He was transferred to West Point as an instructor in the Mathematics Department, and then to Fort Hancock, New Jersey, in 1910, then to Fort Hamilton, New York, and to Fort McKinley, Maine. In 1914 he was transferred to Fort Washington, Maryland, and in June of that year he took a battery of twelve-inch mortars to Toro Point, Canal Zone, afterwards named Fort Sherman. In the period 1914-1917, he was assistant to the head of the large supply organization of the Panama Canal construction force.

In 1917, after the United States entered the First World War, Fred was transferred to the Field Artillery and promoted to Major and assigned to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, for refresher training. He was then moved to Camp Upton, New York, and from there took the 306th Field Artillery Regiment, as regimental commander, of the 77th New York Division to France in March of 1918. He was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel and then to Colonel, Field Artillery, National Army, in 1918. He

was awarded a "Meritorious Service Citation certificate for service in the Meuse-Argonne Offensive"—the conduct of the supporting heavy artillery fire of the 77th Division. Before leaving France, he served as commanding officer of the Field Artillery Training Center at Le Blanc.

Returning to the United States after the war, he served at San Francisco in several staff positions of the South Pacific Coast Artillery District. In 1920, he took a post graduate course in the chemistry of explosives at Leland Stanford University. He was then transferred to Fort Monroe where, during the next four years, he served as Ordnance Officer; student officer in the Field Officers' Course at the Coast Artillery School; instructor in the Advanced Course at the School; and President of the Board.

Fred took the course at the Army War College after completing the course at the Command and General



Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. Afterward, he was detailed to the War Department General Staff in the office of G-4. From 1926 to 1928, he served abroad as Military Attaché to Rumania, Bulgaria, and Turkey. He then served in Washington two years as Adjutant General of the District of Columbia Militia; then to Fort Monroe for refresher course in the Coast Artillery School. From 1931 to 1934 at Fort McClellan, Ala., he commanded the 69th Coast Artillery Antiaircraft Regiment. He was then ordered to the Canal Zone where he served at Quarry Heights for three years, first as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, Panama Canal Department, and then as Chief of Staff. He was promoted to Brigadier General and commanded the Pacific Sector of the Department, and for a time he commanded the Panama Canal Department.

Concerning this period of his service in the Canal Zone, Fred wrote later: "The happiest Class association after graduation was in the middle 1930's when five of us were together. Julian Schley was Governor, Campbell Hodges was in command of the 14th Infantry at Gatun, Sep. Severson commanded Fort Clayton, Colvin com-

manded Fort Sherman, and I was on the Department Staff at Quarry Heights. We were frequently together for happy parties".

Fred returned to Fort Monroe in 1938 as commander of the 3d Coast Artillery District and Commanding General of Fort Monroe.

In 1940 he was promoted to Major General and placed in command of the VII. Army Corps. In 1941, he was made Commanding General, Camp Davis and the Antiaircraft Training Center at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Fred Smith retired May 31, 1943, as Major General.

After retirement, Fred enjoyed almost twenty years as a retired gentleman, with his lady, in their spacious, hospitable home in Hampton, Virginia, surrounded by a lovely garden. As in all things he undertook, he worked diligently at gardening. He could converse intelligently with specialists and nurserymen about soil analysis, and horticulture in general. The friends who were fortunate enough to visit Fred and Bonny there during those days will always retain the sweet memory of hospitality in the atmosphere of roses, azaleas, camellias and dogwoods.

Fred died January 17, 1961, and was buried in Arlington Cemetery near the grave of his second son.

Fred Jr. and his family flew to the United States to see his father in December when he was seriously ill. On their return to Europe, they learned of Fred's death. Fred Jr. and his son, Fred III flew back home again to attend the funeral.

After the funeral, Bonny accompanied Fred Jr. back to his station in Europe for an extended visit. She expects to return to the United States with him when his tour of duty in Europe ends. She plans to make her home in Hampton where she has many friends.

—J.L.S.

Jarvis Johnson Bain

NO. 4345 CLASS OF 1905

Died October 20, 1960 at Washington, D.C., aged 80 years.

COLONEL BAIN was born in Martinsville, Indiana, on May 2, 1880, of Army heritage; he was the son of James Gallagher Bain, a Second Lieutenant, 33rd Indiana Volunteers, Civil War; and his grandfather, Dr. Jarvis Jackson Johnson, served through the Civil War as Major and Surgeon, 27th Indiana Volunteers.

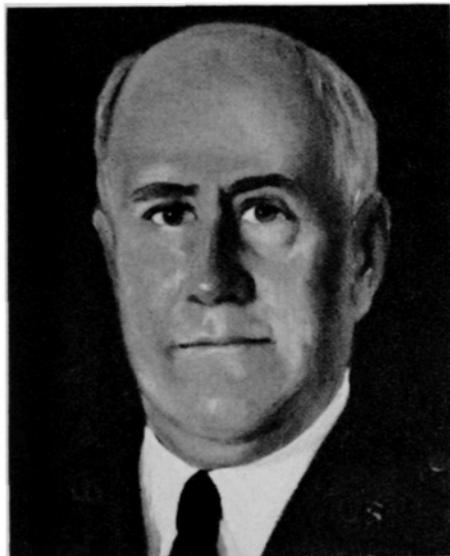
Jarvis Bain was graduated from the High School, Martinsville, Indiana, and immediately enlisted and served as Private in Company K, 158th Indiana Volunteers, in the Spanish American War. Upon his return from service, even before entering West Point in 1901, he displayed a marked ability to solve mathematical problems. It was not surprising to his classmates, therefore, that Dick stood five in his class during his first year at West Point, and seven in a class of 114 at graduation, which practically assured his assignment to the Corps of Engineers, where he served until he was relieved from active duty in March, 1944.

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Dick held many important assignments. One of the high lights of his service between West Point and World War I was at Fort Mason in San Francisco, where his duty during and after the great earthquake and fire in April, 1906, included the establishment of camps in the vicinity of Fort Mason where many thousands of refugees made homeless by the disaster were sheltered and fed for many months.

Another early assignment took Dick to the Island of Corregidor, where with Company H, Second Battalion of Engineers, a detachment of Coast Artillery, a battalion of Regular Infantry, and a thousand Filipino Bilibid convicts, he had responsible charge of the construction of the electric railway from Ocean Wharf up to the top of the mountain, which constituted the principal part of the Island.

Upon return to the United States in 1912, he was relieved from duty with troops and assigned as Assistant to the District Engineer at Washington, D.C.,



in charge of improvements of the Potomac River and the lower Chesapeake Bay and their tributaries. He assisted in the preparation of a comprehensive project to increase the water supply and furnish all Governmental electricity for the District of Columbia, by construction of a high dam at the Falls of the Potomac downstream from the Great Falls Dam.

During World War I, Dick served as Colonel, 309th Engineers, 84th Division; Colonel of the 315th Engineers, 90th Division; and Chief Engineer, VII Army Corps. After his arrival in Europe he took part in the Meuse-Argonne Campaign with one offensive action and three defensive actions, and the march into and occupation of Germany.

Shortly after his return to the United States he went to the School of the Line, the General Staff School, and then to the War College, from which he graduated in 1923. This was followed by a four-year tour of duty in the War Plans Division of the War Department General Staff, Washington, D. C.

In April, 1927, he was assigned the duties of the improvement of the Upper Ohio, with station in Pittsburgh until August, 1931. In addition, he was a Member of the Mississippi River Commission

in 1929 and 1930, and served four years on the faculty of the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In April, 1938, he became a member of the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors and continued on that duty until 1941. He also became Division Engineer, South Atlantic Division. While Division Engineer he supervised the construction of the National Airport at Gravelly Point in Virginia, opposite the City of Washington, D. C.

In May, 1941, Dick took station at Memphis, Tennessee, with General Ben Lear's Second Army as Army Engineer, and the outstanding events of that service were the maneuvers in Tennessee and in Arkansas and Louisiana. From December, 1941, until he was relieved therefrom and ordered to inactive duty, he was United States District Engineer for the Memphis District. Due to World War II, his duties were stepped up to include supervision of the completion of the Army General Depot at Memphis; construction of the Kennedy General Hospital and the principal building of the Second Army Headquarters at the Fairgrounds at Memphis, and the construction, expansion, and modification of six airports in four Southern States. Numerous auxiliary air fields were built in connection with these airports.

In recognition of his extraordinary fidelity and exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service, he was awarded the Legion of Merit in 1943 by Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War. His citation for the award states in part that his service "has been marked by unusual force, devotion to duty, and a rare capacity for leadership."

Soon after graduation, on December 25, 1905, he was married in San Francisco to Miss Edith Ralston of Indiana, who died in 1955. Their children are Colonel James G. Bain of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Mrs. Joan Bain Nicodemus of Tucson, Arizona. He is survived by his second wife, Mrs. Lillian Wall Bain of the home address, 4501 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.; his two children; his sister, Mrs. E. F. Branch of Martinsville, Indiana; his brother Ralph W. Bain of Winter Park, Florida; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Fort Myer Chapel and he was buried with full military honors, with classmates, relatives, and friends present.

Although he was not very well these last few years, he was cheerful and happy, and his devotion to his family, his classmates, and his colleagues did not weaken in the slightest. In the last few months of his life he not only attended the Bain family reunion in Indiana and the reunion of the 309th Regiment of Engineers which he commanded in World War I, but at the cost of untold effort and stamina on his part, he attended the 55th Reunion of the Class of 1905 last June at West Point. Though he was under the constant care of the medicos there, he participated in all the activities and no one enjoyed the reunion any more than did Dick Bain—a gallant officer and gentleman clear to the end.

—Norman F. Ramsey

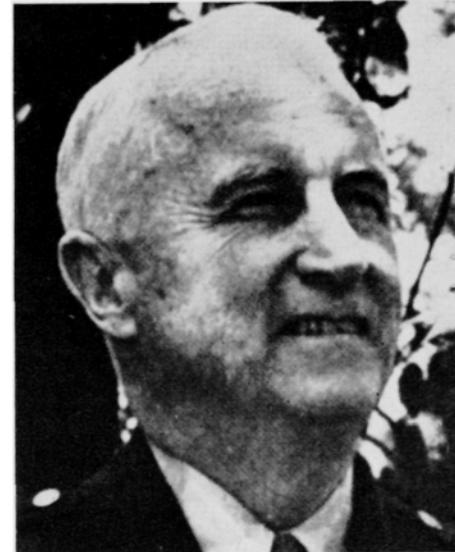
William Eric Morrison

NO. 4571 CLASS OF 1907

Died August 8, 1958 in Boston, Massachusetts, aged 73 years.

On a bright June day in 1903, Rick left the Big City where he was born and which he loved, and journeyed up the Hudson to report to the Superintendent. He was a quiet, gentlemanly young man who just naturally conformed to the rules of the place where he was, so he breezed through Beast Barracks and Plebe Camp—he liked West Point.

Back to barracks for studies, Laubach, McNeil, Morrison and Rico Rice were assigned to the first floor barn room in the Sixth Division. It was not the best place for study but it was fine for fun and companionship. In the like room above us were four yearling corporals, all "Army Brats"—Dickman, Hoyle, Parker,



and Pratt. They took note of our presence but were not unduly attentive. None of this group were engineers but we all graduated and two of each four were retired as Generals.

Come Yearling Camp, our foursome was broken up. Rick went with Babe Gillespie and they remained together thereafter. One of the pleasantest memories of Camp was the presence of Babe's mother who came from Detroit and spent most of the summer with us. She was a most attractive lady who could pass as a cadet girl but only wanted to be the mother of a popular young cadet. Rick, of course, became her second son.

Rick loved people and was a good companion. He was a member, with Screw Wyman, Barton Yount, George Beavers et al, of our barbershop chorus which took pleasure in regaling us on all occasions.

On graduation, Rick and Babe chose Fort Wayne, adjoining Detroit, and he was again with the Gillespie family.

Following that he did a tour in the Philippine Islands, and on his return, did his first tour in the Language Department at West Point. Manuehd from that, he served at Galveston and took part in the Vera Cruz Expedition. He was

again at West Point from 1915 to 1923, and after a year at Plattsburg, was appointed Professor on 27 February 1925 and remained until he retired on 31 May 1948. Rick made three from 1907 on the Academic Board.

On 7 June 1913, Rick married Audrey Hall of Stamford, Connecticut, another link with the New York-New England area. They have two sons: Eric born in 1914 and Albert in 1916. Both graduated at the Taft School and at Yale. Eric lives in Philadelphia and has three daughters. He is an executive of the Newcomen Society of America. Albert lives in New York City; he has two daughters and is in the advertising business. He was a Navy Lieutenant during the last war.

Of course, Rick's life was the Department of Modern Languages at West Point. He served there for 33 out of his 41 years service. In the "Assembly" for July 1948 is a complete history of the Department under Rick's charge. Some of the accomplishments were, the adoption as a fixed policy that all instructors would spend one year in the country whose language they were to teach; the addition of German, Portuguese and Russian for selected cadets, a broadened use of native instructors with cadets and officer instructors, a definite objective to master the spoken language instead of just words and grammar.

How well Rick accomplished his job is attested by his retirement with the rank of Brigadier General, which is authorized for professors of long distinguished record, and by the award by Laval University of Canada of an honorary degree for his services in the teaching of French. Also, by the many visits of delegations from other schools and colleges to learn how languages are taught at the Military Academy. Perhaps his success was somewhat due to his ability to pick instructors—both Matt Ridgeway and Max Taylor, the last two Army Chiefs of Staff, served with Rick in the Language Department.

It is nice to have a classmate living on "Professors' Row" for 23 years. The Morrisons had open house at all 1907 reunions, as well as at other June Weeks. Audrey was always a gracious hostess, and always gave a dinner for the ladies when 1907 had its Class Dinner.

After retirement, the Morrisons bought a house on the ocean at Marblehead Neck, north of Boston. Here they spent the summers, returning for the winter to Philadelphia the first year and thereafter to Washington. For some years their home has been at the Westchester Apartments but they continued to go to Massachusetts for the summer—recently to the Andover Inn.

In the winter of 1957-58, Rick was not well and got out very little. He missed several class luncheons which he loved. However, he did pick up enough to drive to Andover in May. But he did not recover from an operation in August; his heart, which was found impaired at retirement, could not stand the strain.

Audrey is now at Andover but will return to the Westchester in October. We shall miss our kind, gentle, companion-

able, hospitable Rickey but it is a satisfaction to know that he lived and worked at the place he loved best in all the world.
—E.C.M.

James Garesché Ord

NO. 4799 CLASS OF 1909

Died 15 April 1960 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 73 years.

An "Army Boy", if ever one was born, Garry Ord entered West Point in 1905, bubbling over with good nature and a contagious enthusiasm which none of the rigors of cadet life could suppress. His paternal grandfather, Edward O. C. Ord, Class of 1839, served with distinction throughout the Civil War, being twice wounded in action and, as a Major General, commanding the Army of the James during the closing months of Grant's cam-



paign around Richmond. His father was a commissioned officer of the Regular Army for over thirty years, being retired as a Major of Infantry. Garry was born at the old Army post of Fort Lewis, Colorado, in 1886 and never once had any doubt as to his chosen vocation.

At West Point, "Sunny" (as he was soon dubbed on account of his cheerful and optimistic nature) graduated in the upper half of his class. A "doughboy" by inheritance and inclination, he signed up for the Infantry. After the usual regimental experience of a shavetail, including Mexican Border service, he accompanied General Hunter Liggett to France as aide in September, 1917. His AEF record included one month with the 1st Division, six months as Provost Marshal, I Corps, and as Assistant G-3, I Corps, in the Champagne-Marne, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne Offensives. Returning to the U. S. in the summer of 1919, he became Asst. G-4, IX Corps Area, at the Presidio of San Francisco. After completing the usual courses at the Infantry School and the C.&G.S. School, he served 4 years as an instructor at Fort Leavenworth, attended the Army War College and then commanded an infantry battalion at the Presidio. Four years in

the G-4 Section of the War Department General Staff was followed by troop duty at Fort Washington, Maryland, and by 2 years as Director of the Infantry Board. After two years in command of the 57th Infantry (PS) at Fort William McKinley, P.I., he was the Senior Instructor of the Pennsylvania National Guard until appointed Brigadier General and Assistant Division Commander, 1st Division, in the fall of 1940. He brought to this post and to his subsequent assignments an expert knowledge of infantry weapons and tactics.

Early in 1942 Garry was promoted to Major General, commanding the 28th Infantry Division. To his great chagrin he was not permitted, for physical reasons, to take a combat unit overseas. But with his ingrained loyalty and zeal he supervised in the War Department the organization of Reserve units. In February, 1943, he was appointed Chairman, Joint Brazil-United States Defense Commission and U. S. Army Delegate to the Inter-American Defense Board, a position which he held until the end of the War. For his "exceptionally meritorious conduct" in this important mission he was awarded the Legion of Merit, with a citation including the following,—

"Through his tact and professional ability, he contributed much to the excellent relations which existed between the armies of Brazil and the United States. During the early period of the war, when northeast Brazil was of utmost importance in transporting men and materiel to North Africa, his unflagging zeal and deep understanding in negotiations brought about joint reinforcement of this area by the two countries. Later, he was largely responsible for the initial plans and coordination of effort with Brazilian military authorities which resulted in the creation of the Brazilian Expeditionary Force. In his contacts with Brazilian authorities, General Ord exemplified the highest standards of the United States Army. His activities contributed materially to the war effort."

Following his retirement from the Army in 1946, "Sunny" made his home with his family in Washington, D. C. His enthusiasm for hunting, fishing and other outdoor sports never flagged. While on a fishing trip in Yellowstone Park in the fall of 1958 with an old friend, Father McLoughlin, O.P., he sustained several broken ribs, and shortly afterwards a heart attack which was a prelude to his final illness. But never did he lose his courage or his keen interest in life. His stalwart and buoyant reaction to illness and obstacles always stamped him as a true soldier.

Among his many military decorations not mentioned above were the World War I Victory Medal with five battle clasps and the Decoration of Abdon Calderon, First Class, of the Republic of Ecuador.

Married to Irene Walsh in 1927, there are three children,—Edward O. C. Ord, IV, James Garesché Ord, Jr., and Miss Marian Ord. His family life was always uppermost in Garry's mind. A devout Catholic, he made it his business to live each day as one worthy of the finest teachings and traditions of his church and his country.

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Charles Bartell Meyer

NO. 4803 CLASS OF 1909

Died October 30, 1960 at Bradenton, Florida, aged 76 years.

COLONEL CHARLES BARTELL MEYER, born December 14, 1883, passed away October 30, 1960, after a long, serious illness, at his home, 2818 First Avenue, West, Bradenton, Florida.

Colonel Meyer, a native of Kewaunee, Wisconsin, was appointed to the United States Military Academy June 15, 1902 and was graduated in June, 1909. During his first class year he was captain of the basketball team.

He returned to West Point from Fort Baker, California (his first tour of duty) as Instructor of Philosophy and Astronomy. He was also Secretary and Treasurer of the Athletic Association for four years.

In the first World War Colonel Meyer was assigned to the Seventy-fifth C.A.C.



and went to France under the direction of Admiral Plunkett, using Navy guns. On his return from France he enrolled at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for a course in electrical engineering, graduating in one year with an M.S. degree.

Colonel was an instructor in engineering at Fort Monroe, Virginia; in 1924 he entered the Command and Staff school at Fort Leavenworth. Upon returning from the Philippines, where he commanded the First 61st Anti Aircraft regiment, he went to the War College from which he was graduated in 1928.

Returning from his command on both sides of Panama, in 1937 he became instructor at the National Guard in Portland, Maine.

At the beginning of World War II Colonel Meyer was ordered to command and build Camp Edwards, Massachusetts. This project, accommodating nearly 90,000 troops, was completed in three months.

The first Army diving school at the Engineer Training Center at Fort Screven, Georgia, was established by Colonel Meyer in 1942.

On December 31, 1943, Colonel Meyer was retired from active duty and made

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his home in Bradenton, Florida. He is survived by his wife, Illmah Hulen Meyer, whom he married June 7, 1910; a daughter, Mrs. Thomas B. Burgess, wife of Colonel Thomas B. Burgess, Bradenton; and a son, Colonel C. R. (Monk) Meyer who at present is in command headquarters of the Northern Area Command U.S. Army at Frankfort, Germany. There are four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Masonic services were held in Bradenton on October 31, 1960, and interment was in Arlington National Cemetery on November 2, 1960. Mrs. Meyer will continue to make her home in Bradenton.

Fred C. Wallace

NO. 4867 CLASS OF 1910

Died July 30, 1959 at Richmond, Virginia, aged 72 years.

DURING the summer of 1907 among the upperclassmen at West Point I first met a red headed gentleman named Fred C. Wallace, who was born in McMinnville, Warren County, Tennessee. Until the recognition of our class in the spring of 1908 our relations were those usual between plebe and yearling. Our personal relations which developed into a lasting friendship began when he was appointed Captain of Company D. The entire company regarded him as highly efficient and fair. An indication of why we felt this way toward 'Spec' is found in an extract from the 1910 Howitzer. "A great hand in an argument, he has fought several wordy battles for his flock with the commanding officer (meaning the Tac) of Company D and hasn't come out loser yet." Similar battles for his various commands were fought throughout his entire service. Even in this early association, one could see that 'Spec' was an individual of strong character.

His appointment as a Cadet Captain was an indication of his early military efficiency. Even we clean sleeves and near clean sleeves have to admit that. He excelled academically, having graduated number 15 in his class of 83, and was a top track man, winning the race that gave the outdoor meet to his class.

Our association was interrupted by the graduation of his class on June 15th, 1910 and was not resumed until 1919, except for occasional meetings.

After graduation he was assigned to the 3rd Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He served a short tour in The Ordnance which gave him a promotion to 1st Lieutenant. Returning to his first love, the Field Artillery, he served in several units as battery commander and in organizing new units.

After a tour of duty in the Philippines, where he served in the 2d Field Artillery, he returned to the United States and organized a battery of the 14th Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. On November 2nd, 1917, he was appointed a temporary Major and assumed command of the 1st Battalion of the 313th Field Artillery, being organized at Camp Lee, Virginia.

The following April he was transferred, much to his disappointment at that phase

of the war, to the office of The Chief of Field Artillery. This office was a new development in the War Department organization. At its head was placed one of our great field artillerymen, Major General William J. Snow, who saw the urgent necessity on the eve of World War I, of filling his office with top officers. He appointed 'Spec' Inspector-Instructor of the entire Field Artillery. This gave him a temporary promotion to Lieutenant Colonel. 'Spec', of course, hated to leave the 313th, since staying with it would insure combat service overseas. The job of Inspector Instructor was of such importance, however, in the tremendous expansion of the Field Artillery, that the Chief felt that he had to keep 'Spec' with him regardless of his personal sympathies and 'Spec's' desire for overseas service. As an indication of the thoroughness and excellence of his performance, he was one of the very few of his length of service in World War I who was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

Our paths crossed again at the F. A.



Basic School in 1919 at Camp Taylor, Kentucky. Here is where I began to know 'Spec' more intimately and became more impressed with his sterling character. This impression grew stronger as the years went by, and we were again together at Fort Sill and in Washington. Truly he was one of the type of persons whom Shakespeare had in mind when he wrote, "This above all: to thine ownself be true and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

Although 'Spec' developed into one of our outstanding gunnery authorities, he was well qualified in all essential military subjects. He was a horseman and always owned good horses. As a Second Lieutenant, stationed at Fort Meyer, all by himself, he took his beloved horse Sophomore to Madison Square Garden, and won the open jumping class.

While stationed at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, he made the most successful trip of his life when he fared forth to Cincinnati and returned with George Magoun as Mrs. Wallace. I know of no marriage that has been more successful. They were blessed with two fine boys, whom they both adored. A great sadness came

into their lives when Freddie, the older boy, was killed in action in Europe. George Magoun, II, too young for war service, graduated from West Point in 1945, and is now in the Infantry making a fine record, of which 'Spec' was very proud.

Sometimes minor events can give an insight into one's character. One of these events happened during our Fort Knox tour of duty. The school sent a horseshow team to the National Horseshow at Madison Square, New York. 'Spec' was a member of the team. Charley Harding, of the 1920 West Point class, was one of the students who had just recently arrived to take the F. A. Basic course. His family lived in New York, so he thought it would be nice to ask his mother to entertain the team, which she did most graciously. Our team was composed of instructors and other members of the post. Since the students had just recently arrived, we knew but few of them. Upon receiving the invitation from Mrs. Harding, we decided that we must give her news of her son. In taking stock, I think only one had identified Charley, so he was to give the news. Then we decided that if she asked anybody else about her son, he would feign an acquaintance. When Mrs. Harding asked 'Spec' about her boy, he couldn't quite indulge in the little social deceit, and told her he didn't know Charley.

It was at Knox, in 1921, that 'Spec' was badly injured while at polo practice. His pony slipped and fell, crushing 'Spec's' leg and boot. He was in constant pain from this for the rest of his life, the last year of his service being complicated by a severe arthritic condition.

During the twenties and thirties, 'Spec', along with our contemporaries, went through the Command and General Staff School and The Army War College, where he made fine records. A tour of duty which I believe he felt was highly satisfactory and rewarding was as PMS&T at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, where he had a large share in guiding the students in the right direction.

As the clouds of war formed in Europe in the late thirties, Spec was playing a very important part in Washington as Executive Officer in the Office of Chief of Field Artillery. In late 1940 he was promoted to Brigadier General and assigned as Artillery Commander of the Fourth Motorized Division at Fort Benning, Georgia. One year later he was made the Division Commander and shortly thereafter promoted to Major General. Training had always been his forte and here he had every opportunity to apply the principles he knew so well in welding a combat division into a compact fighting unit for early employment in Europe. Unfortunately, he was not to lead his division in battle, for the old leg and foot injury referred to above forced his reassignment to duties of a nature less demanding on him physically. He left his division at Camp Gordon in July, 1942, and took command of the fifth Service Command at Fort Hayes, Ohio, where he remained until September of 1943, when after many efforts to obtain overseas duty, he was finally given command of the Espiritu Santo Island Command in the South Pacific. Here he reported directly to Admiral Halsey in New Cale-

donia and commanded all United States Forces on the island, some forty to fifty thousand. At this time it was the largest and most important naval base west of Pearl Harbor, as well as a vital air base with four airfields and a seaplane base. It also provided jungle training and rehabilitation for combat units farther up the line. 'Spec's' ability to command and to gain full cooperation and support in such an unusually conglomerate command was brought into full play with outstanding results.

The experience and success gained at Espiritu Santo made 'Spec' the outstanding choice to command a similar operation at Okinawa. Accordingly he was ordered back to Hawaii in November, 1944, where he immediately began participating in the final phases of the planning for the "last battle" and organizing from scratch a logistical organization to land with the earliest combat units and fully support the battle logistically from shore party operations to the establishment of a permanent island garrison. All the supporting logistical elements—engineer, ordnance, medical, quartermaster, signal, chemical, and transportation—were withdrawn from the direct control of the Tenth Army Staff and placed directly under his command. In the Pacific this was the first time such an arrangement had been undertaken in a landing operation, and it worked to perfection. 'Spec' was to be found everywhere during the battle, from the front lines to the airfields, and towards the end, even as an aerial observer in a small reconnaissance plane.

His bad leg had given him much trouble during this physically very active period, but despite the continual pain he suffered he was determined to remain on active duty until the end of the war, and he avoided hospital treatment for fear of being sent home prematurely. As soon as the Japanese surrendered, however, he turned himself over to the doctors and found himself on his way to Walter Reed Hospital within twenty-four hours. He remained a patient for several months and was retired for physical disability in April of 1946.

For his service in World War II, 'Spec' was decorated with an oak leaf cluster to the Distinguished Service Medal he had been awarded in World War I; Legion of Merit; and a Gold Star in lieu of a second Legion of Merit (Navy). His service medals include the Mexican Border Service Medal; WWI Victory Medal with Service Clasp for France; American Defense Service Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star for participation in the Ryukyus Campaign; and WWII Victory Medal.

While on leave before his retirement, 'Spec' and George traveled many hundreds of miles by car before they found their retirement home, "Fairmount," at Stony Point, Virginia, not far from Charlottesville. It consists of a charming old pre-Civil War home located on a wooded knoll, which affords a beautiful view of the Blue Ridge Mountains, and some fifty acres of ground, a large part of which is in timber. Here Spec spent his remaining years as a country squire and perfect host. He and George loved to see old friends, and the latch key was

always hanging out for them. He enjoyed to the utmost the peaceful and happy life that "Fairmount" provides so generously.

I acknowledge with grateful thanks the assistance given me by Herb Jones, who wrote the latter part dealing with World War II.

—Bill Wyche

Neil Graham Finch

NO. 4954 CLASS OF 1911

Died August 17, 1931 at New York, New York, aged 42 years.

A GENIAL soul, Neil's greatest asset perhaps was his inclination to enjoy and have everyone else appreciate, all that was amusing in life as he went along. Even if the joke was on him, he never failed to share it with his friends. Whenever angry or morose, it was always for good reason, and recovery was prompt and complete. With such a temperament, he made fine company, whether at table in Grant Hall, as a fellow shavetail, or still later as a member of the same bachelor household. Throughout, in close daily contact, he wore exceeding well.

Born in Boulder, Colorado, Neil Graham Finch was appointed to the Military Academy from Ohio. In a class questionnaire twenty-five years afterward, he still felt that becoming a cadet had been his greatest piece of luck. Really, he reached West Point from Washington, D. C., with a Western High background plus a year at the University of Cincinnati. Although he must have been very young for the job, the records show that for several short periods in 1900-1901, he was a page in the House of Representatives.

Lost in the obscurity of plebeism for a time, he was obviously imbued with both ambition and determination for, once we blossomed out as yearlings, Neil undertook a very full round of activities, both as prescribed and of his own choosing, which only ended with our graduation. He was our senior hop manager for all our dancing days, was in at least two Hundredth Night casts, made sharpshooter, played polo, was for three years a very spooney make, made a fine cheer-leader in a not-too-fortunate football season. He was manager of basketball, took part in an indoor meet, served on our furlough banquet committee, was on our Howitzer board, belonged to both the glee club and choir, and took a prominent part in the programming of our Camp Illumination. Yet, somehow, Neil never seemed pressed for time and maintained a high class standing. Every man in the Corps of that day will always recall his buoyant spirit; with a characteristic sparkle in his eye he was having a perfectly grand time, and hoped that everyone else was, too!

Finch's first commissioned service was with horse artillery. For nearly two years at Riley he had all the opportunities for a tyro offered by exceptional senior officers, many fine older non-coms, a remarkably high esprit de corps, an extensive and varied terrain, and the presence on the same post of the Mounted Service

School. Neil took full advantage of it all, loved it all.

Then, a long-standing rumor of a move crystallized; instead of the entire regiment, however, just the battery to which Neil belonged was ordered to the Mexican border. For more than a year after that, he performed routine battery duties at Fort Bliss and nearby Deming. If it was monotonous, at least it had its reward; Neil's work must have been well-done, for he was detailed to the Mounted Service School, gratifying the wish that he, in common with all other youngsters who ever served at Riley, held dear, to take the student officers course.

Returning to the border after graduation at Riley, Neil shortly came due for foreign service, found himself shifted from prancing horses to lumbering mules, spent about a year with mountain artillery at Camp Stotsenburg, Pampanga, P.I. With the enthusiasm with which he regarded all aspects of his profession, he soon got to know cradle gun and trail as intimately as he once had known lead,



swing and wheel. Keeping up his diversions as always, he found time for polo and hops on the post, with an occasional excursion down to the brighter lights of Manila, never forgetting that a good life should include a due share of enjoyment.

Detail to the Signal Corps shortened Neil's Philippine service. He came back to this country and was engaged in varied work in organization and training at Alamogordo and other border stations during the period of expansion just preceding our entry into World War I. In August, 1917, he was promoted to Captain and returned to his branch, going to the School of Fire for Field Artillery, first as a student officer, then as firing instructor, and finally as director of the school's Department of Communications.

All of which was very fine preparation for war; but others were already in the line in France, and more were going over almost daily, and that was the experience for which Neil hankered. Ultimately he joined a field artillery brigade staff and got as far overseas as Camp Upton. But at that point he was relieved and ordered to duty in the Office of the Chief of Field Artillery. In Washington, promotion came successively to Major and Lieutenant Colonel, while in France the war went on.

In the end he became a Colonel and was given command of a regiment of motorized heavies, part of a division already in training. He hastened to join at Camp McClellan, Alabama, but it was less than three weeks until the armistice and when that day came Neil had the distasteful task of returning his regiment's brand new equipment to store. Thereafter, he served as director in the Field Artillery School at Camp Zachary Taylor until his resignation was acted upon, effective on June 30, 1919.

Finch's progress in civil life, where he became associated with various banks and firms dealing in bonds, was very substantial over the next ten years. All of that time, save for a few months in Texas, was passed in New York. Each change he made was for a more important post, and with his faculty for making friends he acquired in time a wide acquaintance-ship in financial circles. But, for all his success in this new field into which he had ventured, he did not forget his love for the guns. In 1923 he accepted a reserve commission and was assigned a regiment. On paper, it was 75 mm. *portée* Army artillery which, had it ever seen combat, would doubtless have satisfied Neil's every whim for swift action.

From 1921 to 1927 he was with Bankers Trust Company in different capacities in its bond department, then became a member of the New York Stock Exchange, identified in turn with two prominent brokerage concerns. The list of his club memberships in these years was notable both for its length and variety. Despite a great many other interests Neil's loyalty to West Point never flagged; during part of his time as a New York resident he was a trustee of the Association of Graduates, USMA, as well as a trustee of that body's newly created Endowment Fund.

Neil was married in 1929 to Estelle Elizabeth Wilckes in the Cadet Chapel at West Point. A daughter, Barbara Ross Finch, was born to the couple in 1930.

Ailing for some months, although fighting with his usual spirit to get on with a busy life, Neil was at last hospitalized in the spring of 1931. Improved in health after treatment, he managed to appear for our twentieth reunion in June of that year, but after a brave struggle to endure the turmoil of barracks and a host of well-meaning but noisy friends, he was forced to give in and return to New York in the midst of our celebrating. More weeks of discouragement...

And, at last, on a sunny August morning, from somewhere among the trees on Hudson's shore, a lonely bugle grieved. All too soon, so it seemed, Neil Finch had been called to join the army of the blest,—his loss a stunning blow to country, family, alma mater and friends.

—C.H.N. '11.

Joseph Jesse Teter

NO. 5370 CLASS OF 1915

Died October 28, 1960 at Broaddus Hospital, Philippi, West Virginia, aged 69 years.

Good old Joe. He came to us from Belington, West Virginia, June 14, 1911.

with a smile on his face and a joke on his tongue. He passed out of the picture with his head up, and a glorious fight for life still with him right to the end. Joe was a grand guy, one of the very best. He had guts.

During cadet days the members of the Howitzer Board watching Joe's love for polo and horses were sure he would take the Cavalry. Joe fooled them and took Coast Artillery. He joined twenty-one other members of the Class at Fort Monroe, Virginia, in September 1915. Shortly he moved on to Fort H.G. Wright, New York. Then in 1917 he joined the Coast Artillery Brigade of Railway Artillery in France. In 1918 he was transferred to the Coast Artillery Brigade of 8" Howitzers. Joe saw action with both brigades on the front. Then he was returned to the United States late in 1918 and shortly after the armistice he became assistant P.M.S. & T. at Michigan Agricultural College. This was followed by tours of duty in the Philippines and at Fort H.G. Wright, New York. In 1926 he was de-



tailed in the Adjutant General's Department and in 1928 transferred to that Department. With the Adjutant General's Department Joe served with the 1st Cavalry Division, the Panama Canal Division, at the Army Industrial College, with the Headquarters of the 8th and 7th Corps Areas, then with the Philippine Division, the Headquarters of the 9th and 1st Corps Areas, and with the 7th Army Corps. He was retired at his own request on Jan. 31, 1942.

On August 7, 1922, Joe married Pearl M. McComb in Lansing, Michigan. She died at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on May 27, 1942 and was buried in Arlington. After that Joe returned to Belington, West Virginia, his old home town, to live.

On December 26, 1945, Joe and Lenora D. Hillyard, a home town girl, were married.

By 1950 Joe was in and out of hospitals rather continuously. While a patient in Walter Reed Hospital in December 1952, he and Lenora came to the Class Party in Washington just prior to Ike's first Inaugural. At that time Joe seemed but a shadow of his old physical self. However he continued to fight his physical troubles and in spite of them came back to the Class Reunion at the Point in 1955. Lenora took three days to drive

him to the Point so that the trip would not be too tiring. In spite of this he had to enter the hospital the evening of his arrival and he stayed there from Friday evening until Monday afternoon, just before the last class banquet. That afternoon the President called on Joe in the Hospital and that put Joe in seventh heaven. The party at Old Stone Inn was too much for Joe's weakened condition and after about a half hour of the preliminaries he had to return to his room in the Inn. In spite of all these difficulties Joe felt more than repaid for the trip. He continuously planned to return to the 1960 Class Reunion. He made arrangements for a nurse to accompany him and Lenora so as to care for him enroute. Arrangements were made for Joe to live in the Cadet Hospital as an ambulatory patient. And then at the last moment his strength failed him and his doctor had to persuade him not to come. It was a keen disappointment.

He maintained his keen sense of humor and happy smile for all in spite of all his troubles. He fought a tremendous fight against the heavy odds of arteriosclerosis, heart disease and chronic bronchitis for over ten years.

Joe is survived by his widow, Lenora, a brother Ralph L., (both of Belington), and two sisters Miss Zeta P. Teter and Mrs. B.H. (Gail) Barnes of Burbank, California.

Burial was in Arlington National Cemetery.

We have lost a fine classmate and a fine friend.

—H.E.S.

Anastacio Quevedo Ver

NO. 5431 CLASS OF 1915

Died March 5, 1960 at San Francisco, California, aged 69 years.

ANASTACIO Q. VER, was born December 24, 1890, at Sarrat, Ilocos Norte, Philippines, the eighth child of the late Mayor Miguel Ver and Florentina Quevedo. He received his secondary education from the Sarrat Elementary School. In 1910, he graduated from the Manila High School and then enrolled at the University of the Philippines. During his freshman year, Anastacio took and successfully passed the examinations for West Point. While at the University due to his skill in organizing and ability to lead groups of students from the different regions of the Philippines, Anastacio was elected president of the Ilocano Students' Association and coordinator of student groups, a trait which he became known for in his military career as well as in his civilian pursuits.

Even as a small boy, Anastacio had manifested an intense desire of becoming a soldier. It was not therefore surprising to find him always around the soldiers of a United States Army detachment which was stationed near his home. In time he had learned the first basic principles of soldiering from them.

Anastacio graduated from West Point in 1915 and prided himself in the distinction of having had President Dwight

D. Eisenhower as a classmate. He was also the second Filipino to have ever graduated from the Point. On returning to the Philippines, Anastacio was appointed by Manuel Quezon, Floor Leader of the Philippine Assembly, as aide-de-camp to General McEntire, the United States Chief of Insular Affairs. Later, he was called to active duty with the Philippine Scouts. His first assignment was at Camp John Hay, Baguio, Philippines. There he trained the famed Igorot soldiers, the fierce mountain tribesmen of Kalinga, Bontoc, and Benguet, who were, and still are, known for their uncanny skill and courage in combat. Anastacio was instrumental in bringing about the acceptance by these natives the wearing of the GI uniform and shoes. It has been said that there was many a time when, during Saturday inspections, standing under the blazing sun, these Igorot soldiers, to the chagrin of their officers, would remove their uniforms and shoes, and then stand stiffly at attention clad only in their G-strings and bare feet.



When the United States entered World War I, the Philippines offered to send 25,000 officers and men abroad. The Philippine National Guard was thus formed and young Lieutenant Ver was temporarily promoted to Major in charge of recruiting and training its officers and non-commissioned officers. It was here again, that Anastacio's capabilities to organize and lead polished by his four years at the Point demonstrated itself. Each of the student officers' company which he formed and trained became the model company of the battalion. The Philippine National Guard had just completed its training and was in the process of being sent overseas when the Armistice was signed.

On October 4, 1919, Anastacio married Paz Silva of Binan, Laguna. Both of them had been schoolmates at the Manila High School and Paz was teaching there at the time of their marriage.

With the demobilization of the Philippine National Guard, Anastacio was reverted to Captain and assigned to the 45th Infantry (PS) with station at Fort William McKinley, Rizal. Later, he was assigned with the same unit at Petit Barracks in Zamboanga. In 1922, Anastacio was transferred to the 26th Cavalry (PS)

at Fort Stansburg, Pampanga. He became a student officer at the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas. Graduating there in 1925 where he took the Troop Officer's Course, he rejoined the 26th Cavalry (PS) with the newly won rank of Major. Not long afterwards he was given temporary command of the regiment, a boyhood dream come true. Anastacio, in addition to his duties as Executive Officer of the unit, assisted in organizing and developing a cavalry troop which demonstrated its skill in horsemanship, drill and tactics. In the Manila Carnival that was held annually, the cavalry was one of the main attractions of the "Army Show". On October 31, 1934, Anastacio retired from active service due to physical disability incurred in the line of duty. To his many friends and associates he became affectionately known as "The Major".

At the outbreak of World War II in the Pacific, Anastacio tried desperately to rejoin his old regiment, the 26th Cavalry (PS). However, it was engaged in a bitter struggle north of Manila and due to the circumstances of the situation, his orders never came through. Undaunted by this, he returned to Manila where he contacted elements of the underground. Thus from 1942 to 1945, Anastacio was actively engaged as Military Advisor to both the ROTC Hunters and the ECLGA, semi-military and intelligence units which operated in and around Manila.

After the liberation of Manila in February 1945, Anastacio, his wife and two younger sons were repatriated to the United States and established residence in San Francisco, California. He became very active in civic and veterans' affairs. Among the civic organizations to which he belonged were the following: the Amorosa Society composed of the prominent men and women of his hometown and of which he was president; the Sarrat Association of San Francisco and the Bay Area of which he was president; the Philippine Independence Day Celebration Committee of which he was chairman; and, the Philippine Society composed of retired American business and professional men who had resided in the islands. Of the veterans' organizations to which he belonged were the following: the Retired Philippine Scouts Association which he founded in Manila; the Filipino Officers Fraternity Association; the Bay Area West Point Society; the American Ex-Prisoner's of War Society; the Charles Gavin Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and, the American Legion in which he served as a member of the San Francisco County Council, and as adjutant, vice-commander and commander of Greater Mission Post No. 347.

In August 1957, Anastacio suffered his first heart attack from which he never really fully recovered. Despite the gravity of his illness, his will to survive and determination to overcome any and all obstacles gave him the courage and strength, among other things, to prepare for the 45th Class Reunion, Class of 1915 at the Point. However, on the morning of March 5, 1960, Anastacio peacefully passed away in his sleep. He was buried with full military honors on the side of a hill overlooking the Golden Gate at the

San Francisco National Cemetery in the Presidio of San Francisco.

Anastacio is survived by his widow, Paz Silva Ver of San Francisco, California; his three sons, Carlos F. Ver and family of Menlo Park, California; Anastacio Q. Ver Jr., and family and Miguel S. Ver, both of San Francisco, California; his brother, Juan Q. Ver and family of Manila, Philippines; and his two sisters, Basilisa Q. Ver of Sarrat, Ilocos Norte, Philippines and Mrs. Rosario Ver Medina of Manila, Philippines.

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John Joseph Lieb

EX-CADET OF 1915

Died July 24, 1960 at Navy General Hospital, San Diego, California, aged 68 years.

JACK was born in Faribault, Minnesota, on July 12, 1892 and it was there that he got his early education and graduated from high school. His father, highly respected in the community, operated the Lieb Stone Quarries, from which has come the stone for many imposing buildings of that part of the state. Early in life Jack showed a strong leaning toward a military career. In 1907, when only fifteen years old, he managed to enlist in a company of the 2nd Minnesota Infantry which was recruited from his home town. Then in 1911 he obtained a congressional appointment to West Point from his state. He passed the examination and entered with the class of 1915.

At the Academy, even the rugged life of a plebe could not dampen his happy disposition and everyone who knew him was impressed by his friendliness and pleasant personality. Math, however, was a problem for him and, in June 1912, he was turned back to join the incoming class of 1916. If this was a disappointment to him it did not alter his cheerful attitude toward life. He, whole heartedly, made himself a part of his new class, giving the plebes of 1916 the benefit of his previous year's experience to help them over the rough spots. He also contributed to the athletic record of the class on the Cullum Hall football squad and in the Indoor Meet. But in his yearling year mathematics gave him trouble and in June of 1914 the Academic Department decided that instead of going on furlough with his classmates, Jack would go home to stay.

He no sooner reached Minnesota than he enrolled in the summer course of Engineering School of the State University and then in the regular winter term. The likeable personality and fine traits of character that had marked him at West Point were quickly recognized in his new environment. He was pledged for Phi Gamma Delta, elected to the Scabbard and Blade and appointed a captain in the University's Corps of Cadets. One of his professors described him as "Soldier, Statesman, Surveyor". The soldier instinct was fundamental in him. In addition to his studies, Jack rejoined the same regiment of state troops in which he had enlisted as a boy seven years before and

he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in May, 1915.

War in Europe was about to enter its second year and Jack, like many other Americans then, felt that principles involved made it our war, too. After his offer of his services to the British was declined because of the President's policy of neutrality, he went to Winnipeg in the summer of 1915, and there joined the 97th Overseas Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. By the fall of 1916 he had been promoted to Major and his unit had been moved to Nova Scotia.

In May of that year Jack married Helene Johnson of Brooklyn, New York—a girl whom he had first met in his cadet days at West Point and who was to brighten his home for the rest of his life. In the summer of 1916 the situation in the United States had radically changed. The Punitive Expedition was in Mexico and the National Guard had been mobilized along the Border. The war clouds were closing in over the country. Jack secured his release from the Cana-



dian service and came home to Minnesota.

There, for a short period, he helped his father as a partner in managing the Lieb Stone Company in Faribault. With the declaration of war in the spring of 1917 he rejoined the 2nd Minnesota Infantry. In June he was promoted to 1st Lieutenant and in August his regiment was ordered into Federal service as the 136 Infantry 34 Division at Camp Cody, New Mexico. After a brief period of detached service he returned to Camp Cody to find he was transferred to the 125 Field Artillery. In July 1918 the regiment went to Fort Sill for intensive training at the School of Fire and in August Jack was promoted to Captain. Its training completed, the regiment embarked for France on September 24, 1918. This was the period when the flu was epidemic on the troop ships and Jack's ship was no exception. On its arrival in Liverpool in October the medical inspector found that Jack had plural pneumonia and ordered him to a hospital. After a brief convalescence he rejoined his regiment on November 7, just four days before the Armistice.

His regiment was among the first sent home, arriving at Newport News in the

last days of December 1918. Back in the States, he was able to take a short leave in January to go to Brooklyn and to be introduced to his baby daughter, Helene, born while he was overseas. Jack returned to duty at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, until the spring. But he had never fully regained his strength after his illness in England, and on April 30, 1919, he was honorably discharged and ordered home.

Back in civil life, Jack spent the years between 1919 and 1935 managing the Lieb Stone Quarries at Faribault and as a civil engineer in county work, or in private practice. During this period, too, he served a term in the State Legislature. In 1935 he entered the State Civil Service as an engineer in the Minnesota Department of Highways where he remained until his retirement in 1954. During the period of World War II he was a Lieutenant Colonel in the State Guard, and in 1942 was selected to command a protective force in the Central Lakes Area. For this work he was praised by Army headquarters and awarded the Minnesota Medal of Merit, an award rarely made. In 1953 he was promoted to Colonel in the State Guard Reserve.

After his retirement in 1954 Jack and his wife spent most of their time traveling in a trailer on trips that took them all over the United States, Canada, Alaska and Mexico. After about 80,000 miles of the open road they found the ideal spot to settle permanently. It was a little Mexican village in Baja, California, about forty miles south of the Border. There, on a beautiful site, between the mountains and the sea, they built a cabana and settled down to enjoy a well-earned rest. But it was to be all too short. On July 24, 1961, after suffering a stroke a few days earlier, Jack died in the Naval Hospital at San Diego. He was buried five days later in Fort Rosecrans Military Cemetery.

Although he did not graduate, Jack had a deep sense of loyalty to the Military Academy and to his class with which he kept in touch throughout his life. In his career he demonstrated to the highest degree the ideals of the West Point motto. It is, however, for his lovable personality that he will long be remembered. With his passing America has lost a patriotic citizen of great integrity. The country needs more of his caliber.

—Edward G. Bliss
Class of 1916

John Trott Murray

NO. 5629 CLASS OF APRIL 1917
Died November 27, 1960 at San Antonio, Texas, aged 68 years.

THIS necessarily brief tribute to the memory of General John Trott "Nig" Murray comes from a citizen soldier who served under him as a staff officer and unit commander for over four years before and during World War II. I had been fortunate in that I was educated in a military background and between us there was an understanding that we both treasured and respected. Nig asked that I write this.

To compose an obituary for such an outstanding personality is difficult indeed as the facets of his career return to memory as an endless profusion of anecdotes that tumble over one another like cascades: so only a few highlights:

Of humble southern antecedents, Nig acquired a photographic memory because he loved to talk. As punishment for talking in school he was required to memorize bits of poetry. Weighing the pleasures against the chores he chose conversation, until at long last he was committing to memory entire chapters and books. Thus he attained not only a steel trap intellect but became a highly articulate conversationalist in the classic manner, and seldom ceased talking the rest of his life.

Deploring stuffiness he liked to quip that he entered West Point solely to get a fine inexpensive education, however his ability to convey and retain was perhaps the most valuable emolument of his military career. His respect for discipline, customs of the service, and soldiering "by the book" belied his modesty and bordered on the fanatic.

Initially civilian troops were shocked to live by these West Point standards. During the days when bearded and unkempt heroes made good news copy back home the Generals troops were policed and clean shaven. They snapped to attention, even from fox holes, spoke in the third person and said 'sir' However beneath an exterior resembling a malevolent Billikin, there pulsed in Nig an immaculate sense of humor and perception. Service under him often became a series of small unit tactics to evade "instruction"—a spirited and perilous game—but war under his command was never dull. As a rewarding dividend however his loyalty and affection for every file in his outfit was utterly legendary. I personally observed him literally flay a division commander who had the temerity to conduct a critical and unfair inspection. While this may seem antithetic we loved him for it.

I think that the best summation of his credo is a direct quotation from "the Old Man"—"You know I used to tell my young men that in the days to come the only things they would enjoy talking about would be the tough times and the tough officers which they so loved to beef about" and continuing, "Me, I am proudest of the fact that none of our field officers was ever transferred as undesirable, and that no officer ever ran afoul of military law."

Adherence to his personal precepts did not come easily to Nig. I have been at his side while he delivered a classic analysis, larded heavily with Jovian profanity, watched him blink back the tears, and observed the shock and physical trauma he experienced after. Washington prayed at Valley Forge. Doubtless General Murray prayed in the jungles of the South Pacific. He was a deeply religious man, altho he did not cotton much to Chaplains. Faith was a private emotion, one we did not discuss.

On the lighter side: Nig was a deadly poker player. He was a temperate man altho probably not from choice. His command kept his stomach in such a nervous turmoil that the stuff that makes life look brighter simply did not agree with him.

He was fond of good cigars, but those dog brush Australian stogies almost done him in until as a matter of regimental well being we imported several boxes of good American Bankers Choice. He was an accomplished philosopher and raconteur, and to listen to his pure corn pone accent was a delight. His attitude toward our New Guinea natives was strictly antebellum Mississippi, and we often had to shunt him away from where they were, or were not, working according to his lights. He never knew that they tied together our palm hutments with combat wire instead of vines. He was a wonderful quick draw pistol shot before the days of T.V. He was inordinately greedy for apple pie.

The Old Man's off the cuff comments deserve the immortality of a large book. For instance: When we first landed at an old abandoned Australian army camp during a miserable sleet storm he assembled his staff and said "Gentlemen, I anticipate that we will spend a worse

and devotion of this great man came into more brilliant focus than ever before. He loved and was loved as only soldiers can know.

To continue this tribute now calls for more glowing adjectives than are in my faltering lexicon, so suffice it to say—and feel more deeply in our hearts—that General John Trott Murray was a true southern gentleman of the old school, a sincere patriot, and a dedicated exponent of the finest traditions of the Academy. We tender our deepest sympathies to his beloved widow Gracie, and within the bosoms of each of us who knew and served with him swells the solemn pride that transcends the memories of war and hardship and regrets. All that remains is the love, loyalty and mutual esteem, and the sure knowledge that when the Angel Gabriel sounds Adjutant's Call for The Big Parade, General Nig will be awaiting us there—

—Nelson Story III (Colonel, Retired)
41st Division, AUS.



Henry Morehead Underwood

NO. 5912 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died March 3, 1960 at Chevy Chase, Maryland, aged 66 years.

On a still, wintry evening in early March 1960, Harry Underwood set out after supper to attend a movie in Washington, D. C. In returning home, he sat down on a park bench in Chevy Chase Circle in the silent, softly falling snow. There, a few hours later, in a scene of quiet beauty, gentle as his spirit, he was found dead. He died much as he lived—alone, but, no doubt, happy and at peace with the beauty of his final environment.

For Harry was a genius, blessed with God's greatest gift for happiness—the will and imagination to create. Along with this great talent, he despised destruction, and, unlike most of us, he shrank from power and ambition. His career, militarily, therefore, was not particularly distinguished; but as a man and a graduate of West Point, embracing truth, honor, and duty always, and to the hilt, he was exemplary. To paraphrase the opening lines of Vergil's Aeneid, it is therefore, of the man rather than arms, I sing.

As a cadet, as throughout his life, Harry Underwood was a "lone wolf." He was a tall, dignified, quiet, handsome, and meticulously correct member of the Corps. He violently abhorred drink, tobacco, and vulgarity. His autobiography, which he completed a year prior to his death, is a veritable treasure house. In it, he explains, among many things, the reason for his rooming with Cadet Major "Offie" Knight as because "the only thing we had in common was that neither of us smoked."

Neither did Harry care for athletics. Hence, during cadet days, he was not a popular member of our class—but, certainly, he was never considered unpopular. The Class gradually grew accustomed to his idiosyncrasies, respected his unselfishness, and hardened its skin enough to enjoy, good humoredly, his droll, but

winter here than did our ancestors at Valley Forge—but we will suffer more because those old bastards didn't know any better."

Space denies the kaleidoscopic chronicling of Gen. Murray's war years and his long years of pain thereafter.

After retirement, General Nig, a man of indefatigable energy, despite failing health, enrolled at St. Mary's School of Law and earned his degree cum laude. He never entered active practice but devoted his talents to helping out former service men on a no fee basis. Later he became an expert horticulturist and developed prize winning chrysanthemums. He was never the kind of retired officer to simply vegetate at the Officer's Club close to the PX and the nearest post hospital.

Rare souls grow on one with the swift passing of the years. Perhaps one of the most poignant incidents took place near the close of his warm career. His old Division, the 41st, held a huge reunion at Bozeman, Montana and Nig, as Guest of Honor, received the adoration of his old comrades in arms, officers and enlisted men alike. While he concealed the slightest indication that the Dark Angel had brushed him with its wing, the courage

sharp barbs of truth. You had really to work at it to know Harry, and, while not many of us, then, were willing to do so, the reward was great for those who did.

Harry's great artistic ability was first recognized by the Corps, as well as our Class, when he began substituting for Mr. Meyer, the Cadet Chapel organist, on occasions of the latter's absence. Even to those not musically inclined, his playing was inspiring. His andante in "The Corps, the Corps, the Corps" was thrillingly memorable rolling through the vaulted Chapel and reverberating among the surrounding rocky hills. Later when stationed at West Point, as an instructor, he played the organ for a year while Mr. Meyer was on sabbatical leave. His musical career began early in a rather drab and lonely childhood and continued to give him solace, and his listeners joy, until the end.

Harry was an equally gifted architect. In 1925 while on his four-year tour at the Academy, he was a pioneer in color photography and any one today who has a set of the strikingly beautiful scenes he took of West Point is indeed fortunate. The brilliant red hues of the late afternoon sun on the red brick of the old Supe's quarters, contrasted with the dark detailed ironwork of the porch columns, was something to behold; and his night photograph of the illuminated Cadet Chapel with the black crenelations of north and south barracks silhouetted against the white field of the surmounting chapel, not only demonstrated his genius, but could well serve today as a symbol of Christianity's certainty of prevailing over Communism.

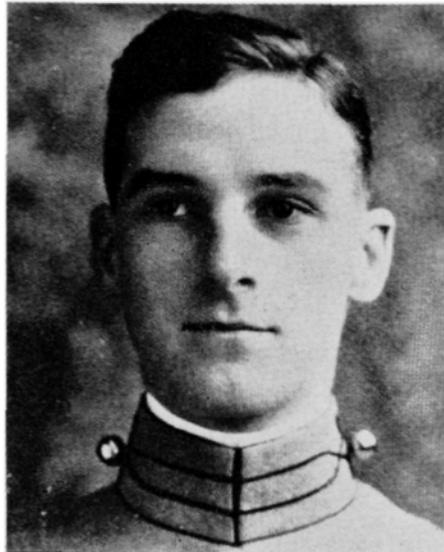
Early in the 1930's during the rise of Hitler, the deplorable structural condition of American Embassies abroad did not exactly enhance this country's waning prestige in Europe. Hence the State Department entered on a major program for replacing its "ugly American" and forlorn embassies with new, modern structures, efficient as well as pleasing to the artistic and critical eyes of the local populaces. No better choice of a man to head this program could have been made than (then) Captain H. M. Underwood, Corps of Engineers, who was borrowed in 1935-36 from the Army to head State's program. That he did a magnificent job, adding immensely to his country's aesthetic reputation and dignity at a critical time, goes without saying.

Harry was devoted to troop duty and took a fervent interest in his men. Sometimes his methods were markedly unorthodox but, as Clarence Townsley writes, "He never followed a regulation blindly but rather strove to attain the basic purpose underlying it."

In February 1942, during World War II, Harry was assigned to The Engineer School at Belvoir in charge of developing training aids for engineer troops worldwide, and a simplified Company Administrative Guide. To quote official AGO records, "This work was so original in conception; so simple, yet so complete, in scope; and so finished in its quality, that it was published as a training and technical manual by The War Department for use by regiment, battalions, and

companies of all branches of the Army." Harry was, indeed, a perfectionist.

In December 1942, Colonel Underwood was assigned command of the 372d Engineer Regiment (GS) at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, whose C. G. was Brigadier General John H. N. "Papa" Schulz. Therein lies my favorite story of Harry as related by Heine Baish. It seems that the early summer of 1943 was frightfully hot and steaming in Louisiana. So Harry ordered the officers and men of his regiment, located in a low and remote section of the camp, to cut off the sleeves of their khaki shirts to sportswear length and similarly nip off pants-legs to the length of walking shorts, basting the ends. As he had to leave camp temporarily, he also ordered all sentries around the regimental area under no circumstances to admit General Schulz, due for a routine inspection. Harry's orders were strictly executed and Schulz returning to his headquarters, furious, sent for Harry who arrived in his snappy "new" uniform, knees fully exposed but far from trem-



bling. He stoutly defended the good sense of his action and didn't want the C. G. to reverse his order while he was away without opportunity to defend it. Harry got off with only a reprimand and his uniform orders countermanded; but the incident illustrates well his courage to carry out his convictions. It may be remembered that within the year the Army, itself, authorized the tropical uniform first conceived by "Igor" Underwood! As usual, Harry was just ahead of the times.

In August 1943, Harry took the 372d Engineers to ETO and remained with it a year until he was hospitalized and returned to the U. S. in August 1944. He retired on June 30, 1945.

Following retirement Harry devoted himself to Class interests and rose still more in our affection and universal esteem. Wherever he travelled he called on Classmates and spread to others news of them and their families. Later as writer of the June '18 news in Assembly, he contributed probably as outstanding a Class column as ever appeared in the Association of Graduates' periodical.

Perhaps the happiest moment of Har-

ry's life followed a never-to-be-forgotten lecture he gave the Class of 1924 at West Point during the Military Art Course of the Engineering Department. Harry worked like a Trojan to interest the cadets. In this instance his lecture covered the Great Captains of antiquity. For days he worked at his blackboards depicting the detailed formations and movements of King Philip's Macedonian Phalanx; the weapons, fortifications, and great engineering works of the Roman Legions, etc; and he sketched artistic reproductions in white chalk of Hannibal, Xerxes, and Julius Caesar. Each board he covered afterward with a common window-shade which he could release to roll up and illustrate his words. He began his lecture with a cynical recital on military leadership, wholly truthful, but at once alerting his smiling, and rapt, listeners. His final illustration was a masterpiece. As he raised the shade, there, in perfect light and shadow, was a replica of a famous statue in the Louvre, of Alexander the Great—but with the head and superbly chiseled features of one of his very listeners. It was none other but that of Cadet Ives, a prominent, popular, athlete and wrestling champion of that Class. The cadets gave him a most unusual standing ovation and the word spread far and wide. Harry was happy because he knew he had done a well-nigh perfect job and the Class of '24 fully appreciated it.

To me, Harry's wit and droll, dry sense of humor is what I like to remember best. In his autobiography, he relates that one day, when they were instructors, he and Offie Knight were walking in Highland Falls when the Knights' nurse wheeled their baby past. Offie chucked the baby under its chin but, without saying a word, casually walked on. Harry waited a moment and then remarked, "Did you, ever in your life, see such an ugly baby?" Harry records that Offie was furious and wouldn't speak to him again for years.

Yet they had been room-mates! As I have said, *you had to work at knowing Harry*, and, if you could shed his sharp barbs and throw back even sharper ones, it was, truly, an unforgettable sight to see a smile break gradually over his solemn face, followed by a deep, delicious chuckle. It is said that only the most intelligent of men can heartily laugh at themselves.

—Sam Sturgis

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Leslie Ellis Griffith

NO. 7548 CLASS OF 1924

Died June 21, 1960 at Kansas City, Missouri, aged 59 years.

LESLIE ELLIS GRIFFITH died in North Kansas City Memorial Hospital, Kansas City, Missouri, 21 June 1960.

This announcement was received with surprise and sorrow by his many friends in and out of the service.

"Colonel Les", as he later was affectionately called by his intimates, was born in Clinton, Missouri, on 31 January 1901, the son of Dr. and Mrs. David R. Griffith.

Although reared among members of the medical profession, he was attracted to the military service during high school days, and following graduation from University High School, Columbia, Missouri, in 1919, he attended the U. S. Army and Navy Preparatory School prior to entering the United States Military Academy in July, 1920. He graduated with the class of 1924 and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Infantry.

Early in 1926 he resigned his commission to accept a position with the National City Bank of New York, and for the greater part of the next twelve years served as an inspector of their foreign branches in Mexico City, Cuba, Haiti, Santo Domingo, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, Panama, Peru, Chili, Argentina, Uruguay, and Brazil. This travel usually required absence from the United States for a period of nearly two years before a state-side vacation was earned. Appropriately, Les remained a bachelor.

In 1939 he accepted a position as As-



sistant Executive and Auditor for the Southwest Coal Company in Kansas City, Missouri. Back in his home state once again after so much time spent in travel outside the country, he was ready to terminate his bachelor status when he met vivacious and attractive Mary Bender, Kansas City, and her lovely young daughter Carole, born during a previous marriage. Les and Mary were married in December, 1940, and subsequently Carole became his legally adopted daughter.

Soon after the start of World War II, Les applied for re-entry into the Military service, and in 1942 he was appointed a Captain in the Military Police Corps. He was assigned to the Finance Branch of the Prisoner of War Division in Washington, D. C. until 1948 when he was transferred to the Far East Command. There he served successively as Chief of the Military Police Branch in the Provost Marshal's Office, Tokyo; as Deputy Provost Marshal, Far East Command; and as Commanding Officer, Camp Drew, Japan. Mrs. Griffith and daughter Carole joined the Colonel during his tour and returned with him to the United States in 1952 laden with many treasured,

shopped-for items that would grace their permanent home.

Back home again, Colonel Les spent a year at the Provost Marshal General's Center, Camp Gordon, Georgia, and while there saw his daughter married to Air Force Captain Lewis M. Watkin, a union which was to produce two granddaughters and a grandson during the lifetime of their proud grandfather.

The final active duty assignment for Colonel Les was a three year tour as Chief of the Kansas Military District, with headquarters in Topeka, until his retirement from the United States Army on 31 March 1956.

Both in Topeka and throughout the state of Kansas, Les and Mary Griffith acquired so many new friends that it was quite a surprise to many when they chose to retire in Kansas City, Missouri. But, as Les explained, when a man is too young to quit working, he sometimes must live where he can make the best job connections.

The Griffiths purchased a lovely, modern home in North Kansas City, Missouri, and at last could devote a fair share of time to nurturing their flowers and expansive lawn and to maintaining a beautiful gathering place for their family, relatives, and friends. Colonel Les had been affiliated with the Missouri State Employment Service. Daughter Carole, her husband, and their three children—Marilyn, Diane, and Griff were sources of great joy. Life for the Griffiths was just fine until that morning in June when after arriving at his office Colonel Les suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and then lapsed into a coma from which he did not recover.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Bender Griffith of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Lewis M. Watkin of Chester, Pennsylvania; three grandchildren; a brother, Paul Griffith of Glendale, California; and a sister, Mrs. Ruth Lumary of Leawood, Missouri.

He will be remembered as a man who achieved success because he was honest, fair, and forthright in all his dealings, and because he lived to the full of life, laughing often and capturing the affection of family and associates. The large number of close friends and associates who attended services in Kansas City, Missouri, and military rites at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, were a testimony to the love and high esteem in which he was held. —Fred E. Sims—Lieutenant Colonel

To the members of "K" Co of the early 20's it will come as a shock to learn of the death of one of its staunchest members, Les Griffith better known as Ganorski. He was one of the leading members of many of the escapades participated in during the tenure of our esteemed Tac, "Shorty Mac." Griff was one of those fortunate souls who possessed a pleasing personality, a keen sense of humor and certainly enjoyed life to the fullest. During his military career he was respected and admired by both his subordinates and superiors. Les was buried with full military honors at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. A large group of friends and relatives attended both ceremonies, one at the Chapel at Kansas City, and of course the

other at Fort Leavenworth. I was a pall-bearer and the only member of old "K" Co that was able to attend Les' funeral. I know that Mary would be very happy to receive a visit or telephone call from any of Ganorski's classmates or friends.

—A. F. Gilmartin

Robert Loyal Easton

NO. 8308 CLASS OF 1928

Died November 19, 1960 at Maxwell Air Force Base Hospital, Alabama, aged 56 years.

ROBERT LOYAL EASTON, born to Ana and Thompson Easton, July 24th, 1904, Shoreham, Vermont. He attended local high and grade schools Shoreham, Vermont. He attended Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont before he received his appointment to West Point in 1924.



He graduated from the Academy, class of 1928.

Bob Easton as he was affectionately known to all his friends, was a quiet reserved person with a great sense of humor and dry wit. He was a student and his hobby was reading.

He attended all available schools throughout his career in the Service. His first assignment as a 2nd Lieutenant was with the Field Artillery, at Fort Hoyle, Maryland.

He later transferred to the Army Air Corps and attended flying schools, at San Antonio. His first assignment with the Army Air Corps, was with the 3rd Attack Group, Galveston, Texas where he met and married Carolyn Marie La Corne, in June, 1931. In 1938 he attended California Institute of Technology, and received a Masters Degree in Science.

He spent 3 years as a flying instructor at Randolph Field, Texas. He served in Hawaii, Panama and Ecuador, South America. He was decorated with the Ecuadorian Wings and the Abdon Calderon, one of the highest awards of that Country.

His tours of duty took him to many parts of the United States as well as

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foreign Countries. His last assignment before he retired in 1958 was with ConAc, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York. He served there as Deputy for personnel, for four years, the longest assignment of his career.

In 1958 he retired with 30 years of continuous active service. After an extended trip to Europe, he and his wife proceeded to Montgomery, Alabama, where they made their home. They lived at 136 South Haardt Drive.

General Easton for the past two years was affiliated with Starke Military University School, at Montgomery, Alabama. He headed the Science Department.

Bob Easton, was admired, respected and loved by all who knew him.

The following sums up his qualities as a man. It was written by one of his students at the Starke School and published in a local newspaper.

"Things at Starke University School won't be the same again for our beloved science teacher, General Easton has passed away. To the students at Starke, he was no ordinary man. He was a man to be looked up to, to be respected, to be proud of. There will always be a place for him in the hearts of all the students and teachers at Starke.

General Easton had the ability to make his classes interesting and fun because of his methods of teaching. His personal experiences in Military life provided him with many stories to enliven his classes. This man rarely lost his temper and when he did he regained it quickly. He never caused a student to get very mad at him as some teachers do.

Everything he did was done fairly. He never punished any student unless it was really deserved. It wasn't often that a student was punished by him without a word of warning.

It will be almost impossible to replace him. Yes, those at Starke will miss General Robert Loyal Easton."

General Easton died at Maxwell Air Force Base Hospital, Alabama on November 19th, 1960. He was 56 years old. He had a heart-attack (Coronary Thrombosis).

Memorial Service was held at Maxwell Air Force Base, and he was buried at Arlington National Cemetery, with full military honors. He had served his Country well and now rests in Peace. He will be missed by all who knew him and loved him, but he shall never be forgotten.

-C.M.E.
His wife.

Matthew William Kane

NO. 9848 CLASS OF 1933

Died April 6, 1959 at Oak Park, Illinois, aged 48 years.

SURELY there is no assignment more difficult than the preparation of a memorial article about a close personal friend. When that person happens to be Matt Kane it is almost impossible to find words to describe him and the impact that his life made on his family, his classmates and his legion of friends. The months

that have passed since his sudden death have not served to lessen the shock experienced when we heard the tragic news. Even now I have a feeling of disbelief and cannot reconcile myself to accepting his loss.

There was no more popular and universally admired member of the Class of '33 than Matt Kane. Congenial and happy, he was always more concerned for others than for himself. His generosity was all embracing and complete. His good humor and genuine warmth endeared him not only to his contemporaries but to his elders as well. He had many accomplishments and great successes yet his modesty was such that he never mentioned them. His friendships were strong and enduring. Particularly close was the relationship that existed between Matt and his two roommates, Dan McGrew and Paul Burlingame. Even after Burlingame was "turned back," these three remained a solid triumvirate. Although both of these close friends preceded Matt in death by several years, the untimely passing of all three leads



one to reflect on the strange ways of destiny which has once more joined these companions together.

Matt was born March 21st, 1911, in Chicago, Illinois. He was the oldest child and the only son of a family of four, whose father died when Matt was but sixteen years of age. From high school in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, Matt entered the Military Academy and upon graduation was commissioned in the Cavalry. However, along with many of his classmates, he reported to Randolph Field for flying training. There he thoroughly enjoyed the flying, but abhorred the boredom of ground school with the result that he soon found himself literally back in the saddle at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. While on this assignment he met Maxine Talbot, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Talbot of Des Moines, and in May of 1936 they were married. Not long thereafter they were assigned to Fort Riley, remaining there for two years while Matt attended both the basic and advanced courses at the Cavalry School. Their next move was to Western Military Academy at Alton, Illinois, where Matt was PMS & T. During this time I had

occasion to observe him performing his duties as riding instructor, a role in which he was unsurpassed, and I marvelled at his patience and talent in handling the young men placed in his charge.

It was during this tour of duty, that their first child, their daughter Joan, was born.

In May of 1941, Matt was sent to Camp Polk, Louisiana, as part of the cadre of the new Third Armored Division. Actually the move to Camp Polk was the beginning of a peripatetic wartime existence for the Kane family for a few months later they were sent to Fort Knox, Kentucky, and then to Camp Cook, California, to join the cadre of the Fifth Armored Division. While at Cook, their son John was born. Shortly thereafter Matt was ordered to Camp Beale, California, to assist in forming the 13th Armored Division, thence to Camp Bowie, Texas, then to the Command and General Staff School at Leavenworth and finally to Europe. In September 1944, he rejoined his old outfit, the Third Armored Division, then actively engaged in fighting its way forward into Germany.

Matt's career in combat was both intense and brilliant. His record speaks for itself. Among my sources was a scrap book of newspaper clippings which was compiled by his young son John. As you peruse this careful collection you realize the pride this young lad had in his father's accomplishments and you cannot help but share his feeling. One can be proud just to have known such an outstanding officer and born leader as Matt Kane. There were many clippings which young John had saved in his scrap book. It would be impossible to quote from all of them and so I have chosen a few excerpts. One of these is from a report by Hal Boyle, whose wartime column "At the Front" was published in the Canton, Ohio, Respository. His column of Monday, November 20, 1944, described the American capture of the town of Stolberg in Germany, and contained the following:

"Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Kane, formerly of 1334 Fortieth Street, Des Moines, led the recent drive of a First Army unit into this town.

"At present nine-tenths of Stolberg is held by the American Army and one-tenth by German troops—and they have been quarreling over it bitterly.

"After the first couple of days the battle lines were well enough established for us to begin to clean out the place methodically," explained Colonel Kane who led the drive.

"Since then we haven't had any trouble from the civilians. We just tell them what to do and they do it. It is kind of a hot and cold town, with most of the people living in cellars.

"The women and children here haven't taken kindly to being shelled by their own troops," Colonel Kane said."

Matt was extremely active in the Battle of the Bulge in command of his Third Armored Division Task Force. Here we quote a dispatch by Harold Denny of the New York Times entitled, "Salient Becomes Plain Killing Job":

"Yesterday afternoon Mont-le-Ban was finally conquered by troops commanded

by Lieutenant Colonel Matthew W. Kane of Des Moines, Iowa. The German troops there had been ordered to hold the village at all costs as it had important supply dumps. Its garrison was supplemented by seven anti-tank guns and four Mark V tanks, which were destroyed in the attack. Our leading elements got into the village at 11 A. M. and had cleaned it up by 2:30 P. M. Few Germans surrendered."

Again quoting from a dispatch from the Des Moines Register of January 7th, 1945:

"Fighting side by side with the 2nd Armored is the U.S. 3rd Armored (Spearhead) Division, which Friday was snaking forward over icy roads into the German bulge near Lier Neux.

"The 3rd Armored had an important role earlier in stopping the German drive in the Stavelot, Hotton and Marche sectors.

"(One of the task forces in the Hotton area was led by Lieutenant Colonel Matthew W. Kane, of Des Moines.)"

Again quoting from an excerpt from a broadcast of Des Moines Radio Station WHO on 2 April 1945:

"Simultaneously, the American First and Ninth Armies completed closing their armored ring around the Ruhr, where perhaps 150,000 Nazis are trapped in the industrial basin. A front dispatch revealed this noon the final juncture between the two American armies was made at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, by a task force of the famous Third Armored Division, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Kane of Des Moines. This is only the latest of a long list of brilliant accomplishments by 'Task Force Kane,' whose Iowa leader has one of the best reputations of any armored division man on the western front."

While in action on April 15th, 1945, Matt was badly wounded in his left arm as a result of enemy sniper fire. He was evacuated to England and after a long period of hospitalization was retired for combat disability as a Colonel in October 1946.

Matt's career as a civilian was as happy and promising as was his career as a professional soldier. Immediately after retirement he went into the wholesale dress business with his mother. I am sure that many classmates will remember Matt's mother from her visits to the Military Academy. During this time, their third child, Michael, was born. In January 1950, Matt decided to leave this business connection and went with Sears Roebuck where he received very rapid advancement in numerous merchandising assignments. At the time of his unfortunate death he had great prospects for even further advancement in this great Corporation.

The last occasion on which I saw Matt offers a typical illustration of the impact of his wonderful and remarkable personality and his great love for people. It was at the time of the Army-Notre Dame Game at South Bend in the fall of 1958. Matt had entertained a number of people with cocktails and luncheon at his house before the game and they had then traveled to South Bend in a body. Most

of his friends were loyal Irish rooters, but before the end of the game which Army won, Matt's congenial good nature had welded them into a strong Army rooting section. This day as on all others he was enjoying his friends, family and classmates to the utmost. He appeared to be in better physical condition by far than his average contemporary, and in fact, only a few months later underwent a complete physical exam prior to a brief vacation in Florida. The news of his sudden death due to a heart attack April 6, 1959 so shortly thereafter, was a decided shock. At the time of his death he was survived by his wife Maxine, three children, Joan, Johnny and Michael as well as his mother and three sisters. Since that time his mother has also passed away. Maxine has moved to San Angelo, Texas, where other members of her family reside.

There were many tributes sent to Max at the time of Matt's death, but I shall mention only one, which was sent by Major General Frank A. Allen, U. S. Army, Retired, who had known Matt throughout a great part of his service. Quoting from his letter:

"As you know, I admired Matt both personally and professionally and always considered him one of the Army's brightest young officers, one who was destined for a brilliant future in the service. His retirement from active duty as a result of wounds received in combat unquestionably denied him general officer rank."

I am sure that all of his classmates and those who knew him concur in General Allen's remarks. Matt Kane was a real man, a success in two careers, and a notable husband, father and friend. We shall miss him always.

James Edward Walsh

NO. 9955 CLASS OF 1934

Died December 14, 1960 at Vicksburg, Mississippi, aged 51 years.



JIM died on 14 December 1960 at his quarters in Vicksburg, Mississippi. As far as anyone knew he was in good health

and, as always, he had been in good spirits. Lucille had picked him up at his office that evening and taken him bowling. Several hours later, after he had retired and was asleep, a fatal heart attack came and we lost a classmate who was a respected officer and a wholly admirable friend.

Jim's background was Irish and Boston, a combination which gave him a quick wit, a ready sense of humor, and a manner of speaking that was a joy to all of us. He graduated from Boston College before reporting to USMA and with this academic background in addition to his natural ability he, without seeming effort, graduated high in the class and chose the Engineers. All of his accomplishments at the Point were not academic. There was no individual in the class better known to his classmates or throughout the Corps, for Jim liked to visit and spent much of his time in barracks rooms of classmates and friends in other companies where he was always a welcome addition to any group. Although not an outstanding athlete in any field he was competent in many, being, for example, a plebe heavyweight boxer and a perennial member of the Corps football squad. At some time, during his days as a cadet, he picked up the nickname "Turkey" by which most of his contemporaries still remember him.

His career in the Engineer Corps followed a pattern usual to officers of more than average competence. He held a Civil Engineering Master's Degree from M.I.T., from which he graduated in 1938. He served as an instructor at the Engineer School in 1942-43. He was in combat in World War II, in command of an Engineer Boat and Shore Regiment in the Pacific. For this service he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his actions on Luzon where he landed with the assault troops and put his engineer talent to work reducing the mine fields and caves. His World War II decorations also included the Air Medal and two awards of the Army Commendation Ribbon. The Korean War found him on Eniwetok commanding the 79th Engineer Battalion which he took to Korea and commanded in combat there, winning, for his services, an Oak Leaf Cluster to his Bronze Star. After Korea, Jim served on the Construction Team of the Joint Staff in Washington, then went to ICAF where after graduating in 1954 he served on the faculty for two years. He next went to Germany where his service was as Chief, Plans and Troop Branch, Engineer Division, and later as Corps Engineer, VII Corps. His return from Germany in 1959 coincided with our 25th reunion which the whole family enjoyed thoroughly. Not only did they see old friends but, additionally, 1959 was the year Jim, Junior, graduated, an event which must rate high in any old grad's memoirs. Immediately afterward, Jim and Lucille attended young Jim's wedding and then departed for the new assignment as District Engineer in the Vicksburg Engineer District.

As an Engineer officer his duties had covered many fields, but it was in the field of construction that his skills proved most outstanding and in which he had

become most widely known as an Engineer. Had his service not been so abruptly ended, there is every reason to believe he would have progressed further up the ladder, for he had clearly shown he had the potential.

With his educational background spreading across both arts and sciences, Jim's intellectual curiosity was practically unlimited. This not only added to his value as an officer but also made him a marvelous companion for those off-duty sessions we all enjoy. He was honest in his opinions, imaginative but down to earth in his solutions. He had a moral strength on which others could and did lean. He was a whole-hearted Christian not only by faith but by standards and way of life. He was a modest man, and this is written with his modesty in mind. Insincerity and superlatives had no place in Jim's make up; sincerity and a complete willingness to assist others did. He was a warm and responsive husband and father, and a firm friend.

—John F. Smoller

John William Huling

NO. 14004 CLASS OF 1944

Killed in action April 5, 1945 in Siegen, Germany, aged 22 years.

JOHN was born at the post hospital, Fort Banks, Massachusetts. His parents, Captain and Mrs. John Huling, Jr., were stationed at nearby Watertown Arsenal. His grandfather was Colonel William P. Moffet, USA. On both the Huling and Moffet sides he had American Revolution ancestors. His school days in Fort Benning, Georgia, were brightened by riding his horse in the events put on by Major John B. Thompson and by singing in Trinity Church choir in Columbus. In Fort Stotsenburg, P.I. he had memorable days in the mountains with the Filipino troops. Here he built a radio receiver with the help of Lieutenant Julian E. Raymond. Also during his school days a summer in France and another in Germany gave him a love of those countries and their languages. From Western High School in Washington, D.C. he went to Harvard where he was an honor student and an outstanding member of the ROTC under Major George F. Wooley, Jr. But he called Harvard "only a stepping stone to West Point" so when he was old enough and had gotten an appointment he went to West Point in 1941. After a few days he wrote home, "The 'Beast Detail' are really beasts when on duty but act like good fellows when off duty". Another time he wrote, "Last night we all had a good laugh. One of the plebes was instructed to stick his head forward with his lips out. Then Fishburne, one of the Detail, said, 'Fire'. The plebe pulled his head back sharply and reported, 'Sir, the battery has fired' in regular FA fashion. The 1sts had been having some field artillery over in camp, I guess. Everyone (plebes, too) thought it was funny as sin."

Later he wrote, "There is a negro in our company. He walks, talks, acts and

seems like everybody else. But they ride him day and night. When most of us get around 3 or 4 demerits, he will get 18 or 20. There is always a cluster of beast detail men around him at formations. The people on his floor have been instructed that it is not the custom here to speak to negroes in the Corps. It seems terribly brutal. He is a better man than I if he can live through it. He has no roommate. I should think that he would be stark, raving mad. From what I have seen he is a very nice fellow and a handsomer build I have never seen"

"Wirt Shelton came around and recognized me. He was a welcome sight and sound"

"This morning at church I saw and talked to Mrs. Betts and Anne for ten or fifteen minutes. We stood on the Chapel steps and took in the view" "Speaking of food at West Point, if anyone ever casts aspersions on the present day food, just tell him, 'Balony'. It is so much better than at Winthrop House



that it hurts. I have never been so hungry or so well fed in all my life except at home. Even with 'sitting up' and all the other troubles that go with plebes' meals around here, the food seems darn good to me."

"When I got to camp last night lots of people came around to shake my hand. Ken Smith and Bob Dwan were among the first. Milton Rhodes has proved to be a real friend. Red Tucker, a couple of ex-Harvard men and others have been around. Phil Wood came over, asked if there were any hard feelings, then shook my hand." "I am going to eat dinner with the Leonards. Kirk Heiss is to be there. Max Talbot recognized me. Johnny Brier shook my paw the other day."

"To-day I sang in the choir for the first time. I am in B squad. they don't rehearse but once a year but it adds a lot of interest to the service." "Yesterday we reviewed for General Arnold instead of the usual S.I. I like to swing by the reviewing party with one of the 'best outfits' and to a good tune. Sometimes when little things begin to irritate I think about being in 'one of the best outfits going' and it helps a lot." 26 Oct 1941 "The preacher had a good sermon this morning

about doing rather than talking. The choir sang the 'Pilgrim's Chorus' very well. I really enjoy going to services up on the hill when the sermon is good and the music inspiring. This preacher seems to go in for the same hymns that I do. My specialties are the ones that have plenty of snap and cadence to them. 2 Nov 1941 "After the game Phil Grant and I found our 'drags' after quite a search. After the dance Phil and I came across on next to the last ferry. The rest of the Corps came on the last one. There was a lot of hurrying at the last minute. Cadets get in the habit of making close connections at formations and it is their downfall at a time like this when there are so many variables that they don't usually have to cope with. There were three or four lates in our company, no absentees. I just thought you might be interested in how the Corps would act after they had been turned loose in New York City for ten hours. I thought they behaved very creditably. I did not see anyone on the street who looked out of control. There was no one on the dance floor in an unstable condition." 16 Dec 1941 "Mother, your picture is my prize possession. After someone has hauled in my chin for some unwarranted reason, I look at it and feel better right away." "About once a week I get my flute out and enjoy it ever so much" "I went to the basketball game. Henry Saylor and his mother sat beside me. They asked about you". "Cota is acting company commander." 30 Aug 1942 "Due to a split in companies, I started out after two new roommates. I found them and really ideal ones too; John (Johnny) T. Moore and Robert (Bob) W. Conant. I really think that they are the best that I could have gotten. Johnny is a real gentleman, good humored, clever. I am sure that you will enjoy knowing him very much. Bob and Johnny lived together last year and have many good traits in common. Everything good that can be said about Johnny can be said about Bob, too. Johnny and Bob have two nice drags here. One is from New Orleans and the other from Montgomery."

Graduation leave gave a chance to assist at roommate Johnny's wedding in New Orleans. The rest of the graduation leave John spent with his parents who were then stationed in Arizona. During this leave John and his parents made a pack trip across the desert from Flagstaff to Grand Canyon and rode their horses to the bottom of the Canyon. On the trip John learned to throw the diamond hitch and to make pie in a Dutch oven.

John landed in France in January, 1945 and from Chartres he wrote, "I would send you a postal card of the local cathedral but it is of famous beauty and that would be as good as telling you where I am." 2 March 1945 he wrote, "I asked for combat and I am getting it. Folks, I realize that it is a serious thing to be starting into but I also know that had I chosen otherwise I would be kicking myself for a long, long time." 22 March 1945 "Someone brought in a 'liberated' accordion. I think that I can become proficient with some practice in my idle moments. My new address is Co A 12

Eng Combat Bn Germany. Were it not for the war Germany would be just as pretty as ever. Even the grouchiest of farmers in the Army here have to admit that the land hereabouts is worth fighting for. Daffodils are beginning to come out in the gardens now." 29 March 1945 "Jerry is really on the run now. Everyone is all pepped up. I hear from Betty Gilbert very regularly and write likewise. Having her mail and yours over here is a tremendous help".

The end came seven days later 5 April 1945. John's Silver Star citation reads, "For gallantry in action near Siegen, Germany. When resistance was encountered from a strongly defended enemy-held barracks with a view of the entire area, Lieutenant Huling, in the face of intense small arms and machine gun fire, led his men with marching fire against the position. Exposing himself to furious hostile fire in an attempt to spot the enemy guns, Lieutenant Huling was killed by enemy machine gun fire. His outstanding leadership, courage and devotion to duty gained him the respect and admiration of his men and were in the highest traditions of the military service."

—John Huling, Jr.
Colonel, USA Retired.
Helen Moffet Huling

Louis George Gamble

NO. 14058 CLASS OF 1944

Died May 17, 1959 of disease at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C., aged 37 years.

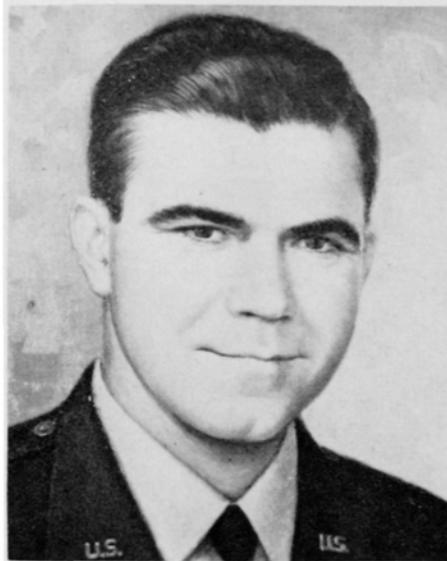
LOU GAMBLE was one of the top two or three young mathematicians to serve in the postwar years on the faculty of the United States Military Academy. He possessed a remarkably keen, analytical mind and an astounding ability at grasping a new idea in a split second. During his four years in the Department of Mathematics at West Point he stood out among his colleagues, old and young. He rapidly rose from Instructor to Assistant Professor and Deputy to the Associate Professor in charge of the instruction in mathematics of the third class. Directly and indirectly he left the imprint of his superior instruction and his contribution to improvement of course material on about 2500 cadets. The following extract from a commendation from the Head of the Department of Mathematics is indicative of Lou Gamble's initiative, thoroughness, and capabilities:

"By his initiative, foresight, and technical ability, Major Gamble made an outstanding contribution to the accomplishment of the mission of the United States Military Academy. This consisted of staff-work resulting in a major improvement in the course of instruction a year earlier than would have been practicable in the absence of certain steps taken entirely on his own initiative.

Having been assigned the project of preparing materials which would enable the Professional Committee to judge the

suitability of a newly published book as an ultimate replacement for the approved text-book in Mathematical Statistics, Major Gamble quickly perceived that it would be possible, with the use of the new book, to design a course of significantly greater educational value than the existing course. The quickness and soundness of this perception were due to the fact that by individual study he had developed his knowledge of Mathematical Statistics to the point where he is recognized as the outstanding expert on this subject in the Department of Mathematics.

Having seen the possibilities, Major Gamble then realized that the higher interests of the Military Academy demanded a project more extensive than that which had actually been assigned him, and that fast action was essential. Visualizing the problem from the point of view of the Head of the Department, he assumed a broader directive for himself which included not only accomplish-



ment of the originally assigned project but also the preparation of additional materials which he foresaw would be needed if the new text were to be adopted. Having conceived this design, he then executed it upon his own initiative within the time allotted for the original project. He did this with such a clear understanding of the mission of the offices above him, and with such technical soundness, that the adoption of the new text was approved successively by the Department's Professional Committee, the Head of the Department, the Academic Board and the Superintendent of the Military Academy, all in time for the change to be effected during the current academic year. The result is a new course in Mathematical Statistics which is clearly the best that has yet been taught at West Point. The present Third Class, which had been originally scheduled to take the former course, will instead take the improved new course. The 590 cadets of this class are therefore direct beneficiaries of Major Gamble's superior staff work."

Lou was one of those rare individuals

who are natural "hives" but who never emit the slightest aura of a superiority complex. As cadet and officer, he was ever willing to help anyone who came to him with a problem—and many did—whether the problem was highly personal or highly technical. He was blessed with a wonderful sense of humor which was infectious among his co-workers.

Lou was manually as well as mentally dexterous. Because of his insatiable desire to know how and why, he was an early student of automation and a "tinkerer" of the first magnitude. He designed and made with his own hands a number of unique training aids for his cadet classes. One, like a modern transistor radio, was completely contained in a cigar box and consisted of a complicated array of bulbs, switches, circuits, and flashlight battery. It was a visible solution to some equations in Boolean Algebra.

Lou was born in Coblenz, Germany on August 17, 1921, an Army son. His boyhood was marked by the frequent moves, changes of schools, typical of the inter-war Army family—grammar school in Texas and Kentucky, high school in Honolulu (where he played a wicked ukelele), then to The Citadel. In June 1939 he enlisted in the 252d Coast Artillery, North Carolina National Guard. Characteristically, he maintained over the years a deep attachment to his first outfit. He came to West Point in 1941 and, happily, was assigned to the company most congenial to his temperament, M Co (later H-2). Uninterested in garnering trappings and honors (but by no means indifferent to learning and growing), Lou chose then, as always, to touch life at as many points as he could. He played some football, and a lot of poker. He was a weight-lifter and a good shot. All his extra-curricular activities, authorized or otherwise, were set aside when anyone wanted academic coaching. Upon graduation in 1944, Lou got his wings in the Air Corps, and, three days later, a bride, the former Elizabeth Green Fray. They were married in the chapel at Virginia Military Institute. Throughout their happy life together she was his strongest supporter and severest critic.

Lou's versatility was reflected in his richly varied career. On his way to becoming a Senior Pilot he flew and instructed in B-24's, -29's, and -36's. For a year and a half he was Squadron Operations Officer.

Having been selected to instruct at West Point he was sent to Purdue University for helpful, preparatory graduate work. At the end of one year of this intensive study he was awarded the MA degree in mathematics. There followed his notable four years at the Military Academy. Lou's last assignment was a logical sequel to the knowledge and experience he had gained at Purdue and the Academy. It was in the extremely important field of research and development at the Wright Air Development Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, where he became Chief, Testing Engineering Division. For outstanding performance of duty here Lou was awarded the Legion of Merit.

Lou was retired and hospitalized at Walter Reed in December 1958 and passed away on May 17, 1959. He is survived by his wife Betty, who resides at 209 W Asher Street, Culpeper, Virginia, by four children—Louis, Jr., Kay, Joanne, and John—and by his father, Lieutenant Colonel George D. Gamble.

If God had not seen fit to take Lou from us so early in life, he would no doubt have moved into increasingly responsible positions and reached the top. He was a real leader, a real man, a real friend.

—William W. Bessell '20

Joseph Henry Erskine

EX-CADET CLASS OF 1953

Died 22 January 1960 at Lowellville, Ohio, aged 29 years.



JOE ERSKINE was a quiet, self-effacing young man who found himself unsuited to the tensions and pressures of cadet life. He was born on March 30, 1930, in Kinsman, Ohio, and grew up in the pattern of the typical small mid-Western town.

He was a very gentle, kind young man, loved books and music and the outdoors. He was an Eagle Scout when he enlisted in the Air Force at 17. At Keesler Field, Mississippi he learned of the opportunity to compete for a Regular Army appointment to USMA. He passed the examination for entrance to USMA Prep and spent the 1948-49 school year at Stewart Field.

Joe entered West Point with the Class of 1953 on 1 July. Despite the tensions of plebe year he stood Number 55 out of 626 at the end of the year. After Yearling leave he was at Camp Buckner only a short while before he was hospitalized with a nervous collapse. Joe was transferred to Walter Reed Army Hospital where he was discharged as a cadet on 28 January 1951 for physical disability.

Erskine worked for the next four years for Bendix Corporation in Baltimore. He enjoyed the work, but in 1955 he again

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became ill. The next five years were spent mostly in Veteran's Hospitals. The last year he was in Leech Farm Road Hospital in Pittsburgh, taking occasional short visits home. On 22 January 1960 his family took him home for the weekend. Within a few hours he shot himself.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace S. Erskine, his twin brother George, and a brother William.

—N.B.W.

Robert Wetzel

NO. 20700 CLASS OF 1956

Died May 6, 1959, in the crash of a B-47 aircraft at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, aged 24 years.

THE sixth of May, 1959 was a wind-blown day as the sun shown brightly on MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. There was nothing unusual about this day as four young officers and crew sped down the runway in their B-47 bomber beginning a routine training flight. Then, as if guided by an unknown force, the strato-jet began veering to the right; the pilot was unable to return the aircraft to a straight line course. He aborted take-off and initiated stopping action; however, steering control was lost.

The forward gears began skidding after turning from five to sixty-three degrees as the aircraft continued its forward momentum from ninety knots. As it left the runway, the forward gears dug into the dirt and collapsed, as did the small outrigger gear. These collapses allowed the nose section and the external fuel tanks to crash into the ground causing the fuel tanks and/or fuel lines to rupture. The aircraft immediately burst into flames. Within the flaming wreckage was trapped the co-pilot who perished with his ship: Robert Wetzel.

A few moments and it was all over. Bob died as he had lived: in action in the service of his nation. The life of one filled with love of his country and his fellow man perished in the bud of youth. The opportunity for him to make a lasting material contribution to our civilization was denied, but his spiritual inspiration to those with whom he came in contact cannot be overemphasized. The testimony of his associates will be an everlasting monument to his contribution to mankind.

Bob was born in Riverside, California on December 15, 1934. His early schooling was in Riverside during World War II. Later he attended schools in Arlington, Virginia; Sunnyvale, California; and Tucson, Arizona. He graduated high in his senior class at Tucson High on 5 June 1952. His scholastic standing was always outstanding regardless of the many schools he attended in following the course of military reassignments of his Air Force family.

Following a family tradition, Bob entered the United States Military Academy in July, 1952. With an independent spirit and a great vitality of life, the sudden demands of closely disciplined

military life did not initially meet with his enthusiastic acceptance. But he did not falter or despair; he accepted his responsibilities without reservation and sought to gain the maximum fruit from that which West Point had to offer. In the process of his acceptance of his newly regimented life, he was to set an example of which one could be proud, for he possessed enviable characteristics: an innate friendliness and a love and respect for his fellow man. With these attributes prominent in everything that he did, he gained friend after friend. Soon he became well known and respected throughout his class. There were, indeed, few associates with whom he came in contact who did not genuinely like, admire, and want him as their comrade. His quiet devotion and loyalty to his friends kept these friendships warm and lasting.

While at the Military Academy, Bob enjoyed a comparatively easy and successful cadet life. His vast intelligence made his academic endeavors a simple



routine. All of his intelligence and knowledge was not confined to his own self advancement; on the contrary, he was willing, anxious even, to give freely of his time to assist those of his classmates, as well as underclassmen, who were having difficulties with their studies. As a "permanent" academic coach, he was available to others for assistance at all times.

Of all of the aspects of life at West Point, the one that Bob liked most, the one that was an integral part of him, was the athletic program. One could safely say that when on the athletic field, Bob was on his most solid ground. Although capable of being on any of several Corps Squads, he chose to give his talents to his company, F-2, in the intramural sports program. In whichever sport he participated, and he was an active player in most of them, he excelled. He was always the reliable player, the key member, the one who most frequently caused the team "to click"—in tennis, in handball, in volleyball, in soccer, in lacrosse, in softball, in football. His outstanding talents in competitive athletics and his excellence in organizational ability earned him in his first class year the task and honor of

directing his cadet company's most successful year in intramural athletics.

Upon graduation from the Military Academy, the Army lost a valuable officer, for Bob selected as his choice of service the Air Force. Always one to set his sights on the highest goals, and, perhaps, since he was reared in an Air Force family environment, he was anxious to learn the art of flying. After graduation leave, which he spent in hard work and hard play, Bob began what proved to be a short lived air career. Fascinated with his newly acquired skill, Bob progressed through one flight school after another from F-86's through F-100's. Bob was first in his class in flying and also in academics as he finished F-100's at Las Vegas, Nevada in 1958. During his early schooling in his new career, his athletic inclinations came to the forefront in squadron football, where in this competitive sport, he suffered a dislocated shoulder causing him to fall one class behind his contemporaries. This delay was a disappointment to him, but an even greater defeat of his expectations came much later when he and other members of his class were transferred to the medium bomber class where he began to learn to fly the B-47 stratojet at Wichita, Kansas and Little Rock, Arkansas. His first operational assignment was to the 423d Bomb Sqdn (M), 306th Bomb Wing (M) at MacDill AFB, Florida in February 1959. Finally after succeeding in conquering this aircraft and progressing to the level of co-pilot, he met his untimely death.

On the 9th of May, 1959 Robert Wetzel was laid to rest at West Point, New York, a burial place he so richly deserved, for his philosophy of life was synonymous to the principles embodied in the basic foundations of the Military Academy: duty, honor, integrity, and justice. His devotion to mankind won him the eternal praise and respect of his associates. He is survived by his parents, Colonel and Mrs. Manford J. Wetzel and his sister, Patricia.

—Ernest E. Cross

Clark Porter Chandler, II

NO. 23226 CLASS OF 1960

Died June 16, 1960 in an auto accident at Fort Knox, Kentucky, aged 23 years.

I AM saddened to relate that the Class of 1960 has already suffered its first casualty, scarcely one week after graduation. Clark Porter Chandler II was killed in an automobile accident June 16th near Fort Knox, Kentucky. Needless to say, his death was a great shock to all of us, especially those who were his classmates. Often, after four years at West Point, one can easily fall prey to the notion that all who graduate with him are a permanent part of his life. The tragedy that has befallen our class quickly dispels any such illusions.

Since Clark had so little opportunity to make himself known to most of the Alumni, I thought it best to relate to you some of the details of his background. He was born February 22, 1937 at Fort Riley, Kansas—an Army Brat. As a matter of fact, he was the third generation of West Pointers in the Chandler family.

He was the grandson of Colonel Clark P. Chandler, Class of 1907, and the son of Colonel William E. Chandler, Class of 1931. Colonel William Chandler is presently Deputy Assistant Commandant of the US Army Armor School at Fort Knox.

As often happens with service dependents, Clark attended schools all over the world as his father travelled on duty. He graduated from high school at Salzburg



Army High School in Salzburg, Austria. That was in 1955, and he spent the next year prior to joining the Class of 1960 studying at Sullivan's Preparatory School in Washington, D. C. There he met many of the men who were to become his best friends at West Point. In 1956, via a congressional appointment from Senator Norris Cotton of New Hampshire, Clark joined us in '60 at West Point. After Beast Barracks, he was assigned to Company M-1, where he began the four year career that made him known to all of us as a man of exceptional note.

Anyone who knew him at all couldn't help but be aware of the unusual degree of intensity in everything Clark did. As all of you no doubt realize, it is often "fashionable" to perform all tasks and activities at West Point with a professed attitude of indifference. But Clark would have none of this; everything he did was done with a will or not at all. A good example of this is to be found in his participation on the Gymnastics team. He began as a manager, and though he worked long and hard to assure "logistical" support for the team, he was nonetheless a bystander. Not satisfied with this, he began to work out himself, developing the skills required of a gymnast. Finally, even though he started far behind his contemporaries, he made the team and became an accomplished gymnast.

Clark's spontaneous good humor, intense interest in everything and everyone, his ability to express himself easily and logically in all environments and with all ranks and his complete lack of self-consciousness or selfishness made friends for him easily. His devotion to the service of his choice, his highly professional attitude and grasp of military subjects, his leadership and personal and professional integrity earned him the respect of his classmates and officers at West Point and of the men and officers of the 101st Airborne where he served his month in 1959.

It was this sort of thing that made the expression "to the best of his ability" a particularly apt one for Clark Chandler. His loss is a bitter shock to all of us, and I am certain all join me—especially those of you in the Class of 1960—in extending to Colonel Chandler and his family our profoundest sympathies.

We have lost a friend and the Army has lost a fine dedicated officer.

—Edwin A. Deagle Jr.
USMA '60

ROGER G. ALEXANDER

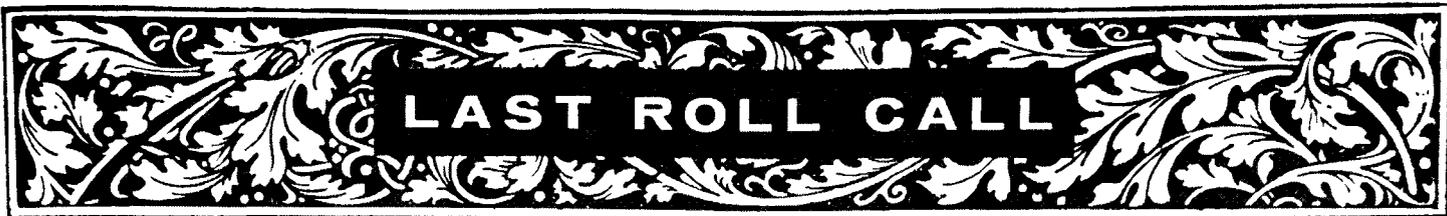
Brigadier General, USA (Retired)

Class of 1907

Died April 2, 1961, Ventura, Cal.

Burial April 7, 1961

West Point, N. Y.



Reports of deaths of graduates and former Cadets received
since the publication of the Winter 1961 ASSEMBLY

Name	Class	Date of Death	Place of Death
Henry T. Ferguson.....	1890.....	August 21, 1960.....	Bradenton, Florida
Samuel B. Arnold.....	1892.....	January 28, 1961.....	Garrison, New York
Frederic H. Smith.....	1903.....	January 17, 1961.....	United States Army Hospital, Ft. Monroe, Virginia
Edmund B. Gregory.....	1904.....	January 26, 1961.....	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C.
Lucian B. Moody.....	1904.....	January 27, 1961.....	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C.
Leonard S. Arnold.....	Ex-1905.....	March 13, 1961.....	San Francisco, California
Roger G. Alexander.....	1907.....	April 2, 1961.....	Ventura, California
William J. Fitzmaurice.....	1908.....	January 10, 1961.....	Tucson, Arizona
James N. Peale.....	1913.....	January 23, 1961.....	Fairfax, Virginia
Edward L. N. Glass.....	1914.....	December 1, 1960.....	Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, California
Rex W. Beasley.....	April 1917.....	February 26, 1961.....	Asheville, North Carolina
Gordon G. Heiner, Jr.....	August 1917.....	February 18, 1961.....	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C.
Joseph J. O'Hare.....	1916.....	April 2, 1961.....	Tucson, Arizona
David C. G. Schlenker.....	August 1917.....	March 1, 1961.....	Washington, D. C.
Frederick W. Gerhard.....	June 1918.....	January 24, 1961.....	Bel Air, Maryland
Van R. Vestal.....	Ex-June 1918.....	February 23, 1961.....	San Juan, Puerto Rico
Joseph S. Bradley.....	1919.....	January 17, 1961.....	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C.
John H. Evans.....	1923.....	December 28, 1960.....	Altoona, Pennsylvania
Grayson Schmidt.....	1924.....	January 30, 1961.....	Cupertino, California
Foster R. Dickey.....	1928.....	February 4, 1961.....	DeWitt Army Hospital, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia
William M. Talbot.....	1929.....	February 25, 1961.....	Huntsville, Alabama
Kurt M. Landon.....	1930.....	January 2, 1961.....	United States Air Force Hospital, Andrews AFB, Maryland
Howard R. Moore.....	1930.....	March 14, 1961.....	Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C.
Clement V. Sawin.....	1930.....	January 11, 1961.....	Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, California
Jefferson D. Childs.....	1932.....	December 30, 1960.....	Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, California
Donald P. Christensen.....	1936.....	January 7, 1961.....	Ft. Belvoir, Virginia
Robert J. Bruton.....	1938.....	January 3, 1961.....	San Antonio, Texas
Joseph S. Senger.....	1945.....	December 29, 1960.....	United States Army Hospital, Landstuhl, Germany
James P. Jarrett.....	1954.....	February 24, 1961.....	Ironwood, Michigan
Sammy H. Cardwell.....	1958.....	February 22, 1961.....	Aircraft accident off Okinawa Island



