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PLAIN TALK



Dear Fellow Graduates:

Early in December I had to make an unpleasant decision. Action was taken only after long and detailed consideration, lengthy analysis by the Athletic Board, and consultation with them. The decision was solely mine and I assume full responsibility for it. I refer, of course, to the change in the football coaching staff.

The following considerations enabled me to arrive at my decision:

1. It is my conviction that West Point should strive for excellence in every endeavor. This applies to academics, military duties, extracurricular activities, and athletics—not to exclude football.

2. The highly selected young men that we have in the Corps of Cadets deserve the finest leadership, instruction, and coaching that is practicably obtainable.

3. It is to the national interest, to the interest of the Army, and of the Academy that we, by our performance, create a public image of a winner. I do not presume to suggest that we expect to come out on top in all things, but I do have the firm conviction that we should more than hold our own with any institution competing with us on common ground. Our outstanding young men, esprit de corps, and concerted efforts should cause us, with understandable exceptions, to be habitually victorious.

4. An atmosphere in which there is an absence of full confidence in a coaching staff is incompatible with the principles that guide this institution toward the attainment of its objectives.

I have the highest regard for Coach Hall as a man and for his staff as individuals. However, it was evident to me during the course of the last season that a lack of full confidence, within the environment of West Point, developed in the ability of our coaching staff to bring out the best efforts of the team. In my opinion it was unfair to a staff to expect it to be successful in such an environment, and unfair to the Academy to continue its services under the circumstances. My judgment was not based on any one game, but on the entire season. Thus, my decision.

Because of Coach Hall's high character, I regretted the need for my decision. However, in my opinion he has been treated fairly. He has been compensated for the one year remaining on his contract. We wish him well in the future.

I would like all graduates to understand that this decision does not presuppose that an imbalance will develop within this institution with respect to undue emphasis on athletics to include football. It is my intention to maintain equilibrium among our programs. The fundamentals that we value will most assuredly be maintained. Excellence in all of our activities will, however, be a salient objective.

The performance by Cadets Armstrong, Molvar, Riggs, and Ruth in the General Electric College Bowl television quiz contest with Navy on 3 December 1961 was indicative of the demonstrated excellence that can be expected from the Corps of Cadets. In addition to the cadets, General Bessell, Lieutenant Colonel Beverly C. Snow, Jr., and others share recognition for this achievement.

As part of the Army "Big Picture" series, a 30-minute documentary film, "West Point—Education for Military Leadership," was shown to television audiences throughout the country this

fall. The film focuses primarily upon the educational environment at the Military Academy. Produced with originality, the picture goes into our classrooms and laboratories to capture unstaged and realistic scenes of academic life at West Point. We believe that the film, with a few minor modifications, will prove an effective communicator to any public interested in our academic program and our methodology. Prints of the modified version will be available soon to alumni groups through the United States Military Academy Information Office.

In the coming months many of the national educational television and radio network stations will present a half-hour film portraying the 1961 National Debate Tournament held at West Point. Copies of this excellent film on the fifteenth "world series" of American college debate will be available to educational and alumni groups through the West Point Film Library after the network showings are completed.

For the thirteenth consecutive year the Student Conference on United States Affairs (SCUSA) was a great success. One hundred and sixty-seven students from 85 colleges representing 29 states, Canada, and the District of Columbia participated in the Conference. The topic this year was "The Atlantic Community." The keynote address was made by the Honorable John J. McCloy and the principal speaker at the final banquet was the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, the Honorable George C. McGhee.

To make ready for the new building for which money was approved in the last session of Congress, the Library has vacated its familiar location and is in operation in Thayer Hall. The temporarily assigned space consists of a corridor and two large rooms on the first floor. This area houses only the more frequently used materials. Older books and periodicals which are in less demand remain in the Moore Wing of the old library and in Bartlett Hall (old East Academic Building). Despite the divided book collection and space limitations, a marked increase in library use by both cadets and instructional staff has been noted. Inquiry revealed that the new space, not broken up into nooks and crannies as was the old building, allows a more useful arrangement of library books, provides better lighting, and permits a more efficient organization of the work flow. The favorable reaction to this interim facility strongly supports our plans for a new building functionally designed for library use. We eagerly anticipate the new library building by early 1964.

Interest in and contributions to the Superintendent's Fund continue to grow, with General Clay somehow finding time to guide Fund operations from Berlin. With the gift of a modern T-bar ski lift on the way, we expect our popular ski program to gather increased momentum through better utilization of a longer slope (2,260 feet, 500-foot drop) and a separate slope for the beginners. These additions will give the Academy perhaps the finest ski facilities available at any college in the country. The increasing number of alumni who are contributing, making pledges, or amending their wills to provide for the Fund is most gratifying and assures its continuing value to our Alma Mater.

Faithfully yours,

W. C. Westmoreland

W. C. WESTMORELAND
Major General, USA
Superintendent

Bulletin Board

NEW DEADLINES

For some time past, deadlines for submission of copy for the issues of *ASSEMBLY* have been set as follows:

- Spring — 1 March
- Summer — 1 June
- Fall — 1 September
- Winter — 1 December

These deadlines are somewhat incompatible with at least three major alumni activities: Founder's Day (16 March), June Week events, and the Navy football game (2 December this past year). Since the events cannot be moved, the obvious solution is to adjust the deadlines.

Therefore, these new deadlines for submission of copy are announced for the benefit of all concerned:

- Spring — 25 March
- Summer — 15 June
- Fall — 15 September
- Winter — 15 December

EDITOR TIED IT UP

In the Bulletin Board section of the Fall issue of *ASSEMBLY* there is a short obituary of Monsignor Murdock, and in the next to last paragraph is a sentence which reads, "Like the Cadet Chapel itself, which had been privately constructed in 1899 with approval under an Act of Congress, the rectory was built by private contributions from graduates and other friends of the Military Academy."

Please delete the word "Cadet," which was erroneously inserted in the original article by the Editor as the copy was being prepared for the printer. The Editor has no explanation for his aberration, and he wishes to apologize for his unjustifiable error.

The Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity, which is the chapel in question, was built with private funds, as the tied-up sentence says when the word "Cadet" is deleted. The Chapel of the United States Military Academy (this is the official name of the Cadet Chapel), on the other hand, was constructed between 25 August 1908 and 30 April 1910 with appropriated funds.

HOWITZER TRADE?

Mr. D. H. Gilbert, who lives at 4 Tricor Ave., New Paltz, N.Y., needs a 1939 *HOWITZER*.

He has *HOWITZERS* for 1936, 1937, and 1938, any of which he will exchange for a 1939 issue.

ESSAY CONTEST

The New York Chapter of the Loyal Legion of the United States, a patriotic society, sponsored an essay contest at USMA this year on the topic of Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War. Twenty-six cadets of the upper two classes participated in the competition. The participants were selected for their strong academic background from 200 of the upper two classes who indicated an interest even though most of the work had to be done during the summer.

Cadet First Classman Roy Kobayashi's paper was adjudged the winner by a committee of officers of the Department of Social Sciences. The other participants all



Cadet Kobayashi, essay contest winner, with Colonel Hopper (right), commander of the Loyal Legion of the US, and Major Boatner, Social Sciences Department, who headed the committee which conducted the contest.

received a second prize of credit for the monograph required in their standard Social Science course. Cadet Kobayashi's paper on *Lincoln, Sumter and the War* was appraised by the judges as "a sophisticated, historical analysis at the undergraduate level which possibly merits publication." He was presented with a \$200 check by Colonel Walter Hopper, Legion Commander, in a brief ceremony at a formal dinner-dance of the Legion at the Union Club in New York City on 26 October 1961.

HISTORIANS MEET AT USMA

Fifty members of the New York State Association of European Historians, a branch of the American Historical Association, met at West Point for their Eleventh Annual Meeting during the weekend of 14 October. More than 20 colleges and universities were represented. Most of the delegates were from institutions in upstate New York, such as Clarkson, Cornell, Hamilton, Hobart, and Union. There were also present, however, historians from Hunter College in New York and from at least three Canadian universities including the Royal Military College at Kingston, Ontario.

The conference opened with a panel discussion in Thayer Hall on Friday evening on the subject of "Conformity and Non-Conformity" in early Modern Europe—the discussion ranging from the topic of Dominican Monastic Reform in the 15th century to 18th century France. The Saturday morning session discussed "The Nation at Arms" using the topics of the US and the War of 1812, the Civil War, and the British Army reforms of the later 19th century. The Saturday afternoon session discussed Republican France since 1870.

The principal speaker at the final dinner meeting on Saturday evening in the Gray Room of the West Point Army Mess was Professor Louis Gottschalk, visiting professor at Cornell University. In discussing "Problems of Generalization in History" he compared the difficulties facing the professional historian with the difficulties of decision makers who have to formulate policy on the basis of incomplete information.

Members of the USMA Department of Social Sciences made the administrative arrangements and acted as hosts during the conference. The conference participants, despite experiencing the worst weather of the fall at West Point, displayed a deep and inspiring interest in the Military Academy and its curriculum and expressed their gratitude for West Point's hospitality for the meeting of their learned society.

HELP, PLEASE

Colonel Steve Tillman, an Associate Editor of the *Army-Navy-Air Force Register*, is working on a book whose subject will be the life of the late Professor Samuel E. Tillman. A member of the Class of 1869, Colonel Tillman was Professor of Chemistry, Mineralogy, and Geology from 1880 until 1911 when he retired. In 1917 he was recalled to active duty to serve as Superintendent from 13 June 1917 to 11 June 1919 when he retired once again, this time as a brigadier general.

Editor Steve Tillman would be most appreciative of any data which those graduates who served with Professor-Superintendent Samuel Tillman can provide. The address to use is: Steve Tillman, c/o ANAF Register, 2020 M Street NW, Washington 6, D.C.

SABERS SOUGHT

The laws of nature being what they are, celibate graduates of the Military Academy persist in departing the bachelor ranks to sally forth into the realm of connubiality.

Whether the ceremony be performed at West Point or elsewhere, the Cadet Hostess tries her best to fill all requests for sabers to form the traditional arch. But her supply of sabers is limited, and help in augmenting it is needed.

If your saber lies dormant and serves no useful purpose, please consider its donation to a worthwhile cause. Mrs. Holland and the newlyweds will be most grateful and appreciative. Send saber and scabbard to:

CADET HOSTESS
Hq USCC
West Point, N. Y.

1962 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The President of the Association of Graduates has appointed McAuliffe '19 the Chairman of the 1962 Nominating Committee, with McDonald '20, Nicholas '25, Renfroe '34, and Fraser '39 as members. The task of the Nominating Committee is to present to the Board of Trustees in March a slate of nominations for a President and for five Vice Presidents to take office for one year at the annual meeting in June 1962; and for twelve trustees who take office 1 July 1962 for three years.

The five vice-presidential nominees are chosen by the five senior Reunion Classes in descending order starting with the 50th. Two of the twelve trustees are regional representatives of Army areas, in this case First and Third Armies. These nominees are selected from candidates recommended by the West Point Societies in those Army areas. In addition, three of the trustee nominees are chosen from the three junior Reunion Classes, which are called upon for their recommendations. Letters have been written to the appropriate class presidents and to the presidents of the West Point Societies concerned asking for their recommendations.

In addition, letters have been sent to all members of the Board of Trustees soliciting their recommendations. If any member of the Association wishes to propose a name or names for consideration, he should submit his recommendation to the Nominating Committee, Association of Graduates, West Point, N.Y., prior to 15 February 1962.

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POSTSCRIPT TO PLAIN TALK

Dear Fellow Graduates:

On Saturday evening 6 January our search for a head football coach ended with the signing of Mr. Paul M. Dietzel, head coach at Louisiana State University. Mr. Dietzel is no stranger to West Point. He served here as Plebe coach in 1948 and returned as an assistant under Earl Blaik for the 1953 and '54 seasons. From the outset our search was for a man who had not only the technical qualifications but also those qualities of character and leadership essential to one who has close contact with our cadets. In Paul Dietzel we got our man.

Needless to say our actions in the quest for a new coach were ethical and above board. We became aware that Mr. Dietzel, among a number of other established coaches, was interested in West Point. With this knowledge, contact was made with the Athletic Director of LSU and permission received to talk with Mr. Dietzel on the assumption that LSU would consider releasing him upon his request. Informal arrangements were reached with him but nothing further could be done until the Orange Bowl victory on 1 January. As soon as practicable after the game, Mr. Dietzel discussed the matter with the President of the University and formally requested a release from his contract with LSU. I then called General Middleton and explained the position of the Academy. He understood completely. On Friday, 5 January, the Board of Supervisors of LSU by unanimous vote released Mr. Dietzel from his contract.

Unfavorable publicity received by the Academy is regretted. However, in this day it is one of the facts of life that every top-flight coach is signed to a long-term contract. As a matter of fact, Paul Dietzel had a year to go on his contract with us when he was released to go to LSU. Although our actions were proper in every way, hiring an established coach carries with it the risk of censure. Paul Dietzel is now our head coach not because of the material remuneration offered (he has not enhanced his income position), but because of a desire to work with, and do his part in the training of, young men dedicated to a life of service to our country.

W.C.W.

HISTORICAL COINCIDENCE

Approximately 100 years ago a Louisianan, P. G. T. Beauregard, was Superintendent for a brief period. A West Pointer from Ohio, William T. Sherman, was then the President of LSU. Events dictated that one go South and the other go North. Both did their duty as they saw it—and well. Today another Ohioan, Paul Dietzel, goes North. He will also do his duty well.

CAPTAIN GEORGE

DERBY

alias

“JOHN

PHOENIX”



Captain George H. Derby, USMA Class of 1846.

by MR. KENNETH W. RAPP

and MISS THELMA BEDELL

USMA Library Staff

IN ADDITION TO MILITARY

AND CIVIC LEADERS,

WEST POINT HAS ALSO PRODUCED

HUMOROUS WRITERS, ONE OF WHOM WAS

EVERY GRADUATE of the United States Military Academy has at one time or another heard of the adventures of “The Mole” or the exciting experiences of the well-known “Bat Organization,” but how many are familiar with the tales of a most remarkable cadet named George Horatio Derby, USMA Class of 1846?

The graduating Class of 1846 contained on its roster such illustrious military leaders as Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson, George B. McClellan, and General George E. Pickett who led the Confederate charge at Gettysburg.

Cadet Derby made his mark in another field of endeavor, the literary profession, and was responsible for the development of the boisterous “Western” style of humor in our country. As a cadet, Derby established a reputation as a wit and notorious practical joker, traits which remained with him throughout his life. To cite a few examples of Derby’s foolery and wit, as a cadet he transformed all the pictures in his geology textbook of bones and fossils of the antediluvian periods into strange monsters. The regulations of the Military Academy naturally considered this a serious offense and Derby’s textbook on geology was seized and placed before the Academic Board, where it caused such irresistible laughter that the Board decided not to interview or punish the delinquent.



A dead Point!



A dead Set!

A typical
Derby cartoon.



A dead Run!

Captain Erasmus D. Keyes, Instructor of Artillery during Derby's cadetship, related that at one time in the section room, while he was examining his class upon the force of explosives, Derby inquired of him, with great soberness, what would be the effect of confining a single grain of gunpowder in the center of the earth and setting fire to it. Keyes replied, with equal gravity, that he was not able to answer his question, but that he would make requisition on the Ordnance sergeant for a grain of powder, and authorize Derby to try the experiment.

After his graduation from the Academy, Derby was appointed a brevet second lieutenant in Ordnance and was later transferred to the Topographical Engineers. He served with distinction in the Mexican War and was severely wounded at the battle of Cerro Gordo. For his gallant and meritorious conduct in the encounter he was brevetted a first lieutenant.

While in the Army, Derby regarded writing as an avocation and in 1853 his art of humor, sketching, and writing made him a success with the American people. During this period, he was the unofficial editor of the *San Diego Herald Newspaper* and he transformed the sober, Democratic, small-town weekly into a riotous conglomeration of

wit, burlesque, and satire, devoted to the Whig Party. Many of Derby's humorous sketches were published in a volume entitled "Phoenixiana; or Sketches and Burlesque," which became tremendously popular for a generation. It was after the publication of this book that George Derby assumed the nickname of John Phoenix. The word "phoenix" may be defined as "a paragon of excellence or beauty." Derby used the name in humorous reference to himself and his writing; it served him well for publicity purposes as a vehicle of self-advertisement.

To present an example of the Derby style of writing, the Grabhorn Press of San Francisco, California, publishers of the book entitled "Phoenixiana," have graciously given their permission to reproduce "Squibbob's Composition of Armies," which appears on page 6.

Mark Twain, a great humorist and lecturer in his own right, was believed to have had the Derby influence in his writings, and there was no question that Derby taught his fellow humorists new tricks of extravagance in expression and thought.

Yes, the Long Gray Line has not only contributed great military leaders, prominent engineers, and distinguished educators to our national development; it has also given our country an eminent American humorist.



SQUIBOB'S
COMPOSITION
OF ARMIES

A new Method of Attack and Defence of Posts

THE subject of composition of armies, that of fortification, and the attack and defense of military posts, have for many years been considered of the first importance to the safety and welfare of nations, and have in consequence been elaborately treated of by Vauban, Cormontaigne and other eminent scientific men, of their own and later periods.

With the advance of civilization, refinement and scientific discovery, we should naturally be led to expect new discoveries and improvements in these important branches of the military art.

Such is however by no means the case. Whether a state of peace has operated unfavorably to the prosecution of military research, or that the great minds of modern philosophers are turned exclusively to such sources of discovery as may operate more to their personal emolument than to the benefit of future generations, it is useless to discuss,—true it is, however, that in all essential particulars the art of war remains in precisely the same state that it was left by the savans who wrote upon it half a century ago.

Feeling deeply the necessity of some more perfect means of defence than these comparatively uneducated and uninformed writers have left us, the writer remembering the maxim of the immortal Washington, "In time of peace prepare for war," has devoted himself exclusively for two days to the most close and vigorous research into the principles of the military art, and has finally, by combining the most valuable ideas of the more scientific writers slightly modified by some originality of his own, obtained a system of defence which he thinks more suited to the present advanced stage of science.

This system he would present with becoming deference and humility to the approval of his brother officers, with the hope that they will think it peculiarly adapted to the defence of our own beloved country, when left, in accordance with the message of a late executive, to the tender mercies of armed steamboats and the militia.

And first, with regard to the composition of armies for offensive operations in the field. For this purpose let a body of men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five be selected. These men, after being properly drilled

to act in concert, should be armed in the following manner:

1st. Each man to be provided with one of Colt's patent revolving six-barreled rifles, with the necessary ammunition.

2d. A large tin case, perforated with holes on the top, is to be filled with black pepper and suspended by the right side.

3d. A dress cap made of tin and lined with flannel, the top of which is a cylinder containing the material for generating sulphuretted hydrogen gas, with a stop-cock in front, opening by the pressure of a spring, immediately over his right ear. Each man on being enlisted should be furnished with a staunch and well trained bull-dog, which he will take the greatest possible care of, and which he should teach carefully to come and go at his command.

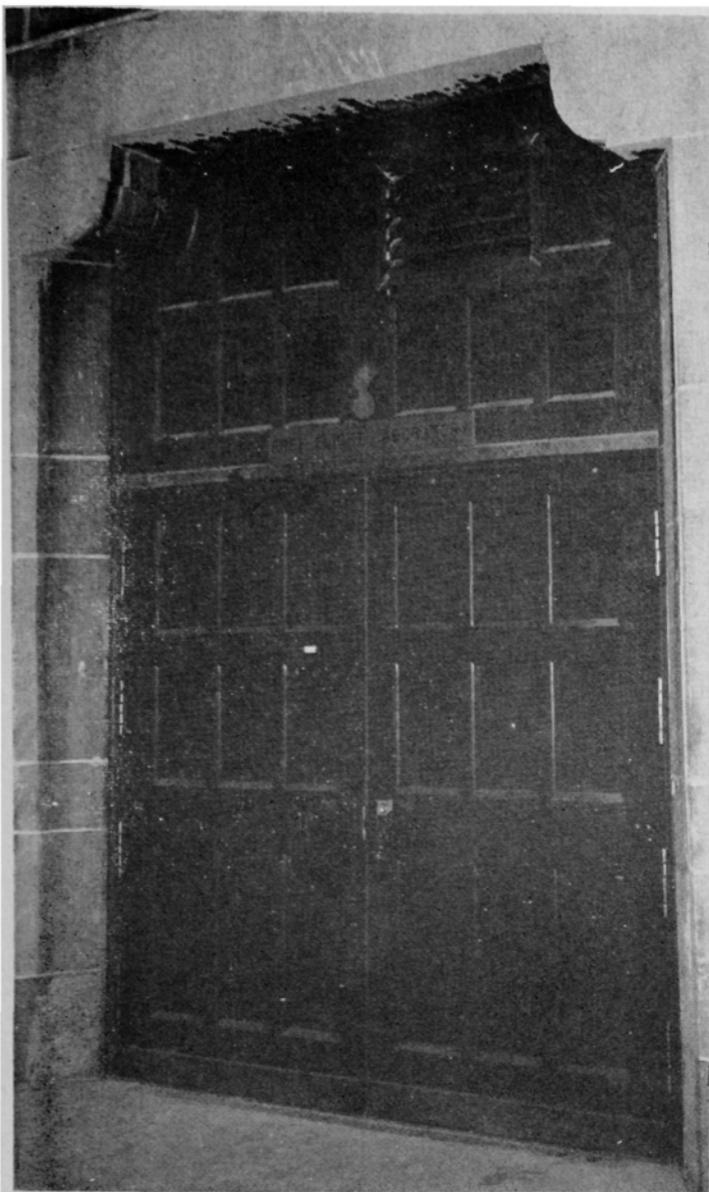
Both men and dogs should be accustomed by frequent drills to the odor of the gas they carry about them, and should be exercised frequently with their pepper pots before being taken into the field. Sneezing on such occasions should be looked upon as a serious military delinquency, and treated accordingly. These preliminary steps being taken, the troops are ready for service.

On the eve of a battle, they will throw up a continuous line in their front, consisting of a parapet and ditch of the usual form and dimensions.

On the advance of the enemy they open a rapid and severe fire with their revolving rifles, which must of course appall and disconcert the enemy. On the slightest symptoms of retreat, the bull-dogs will be loosed and encouraged to charge the retreating foe. This they will do en masse, and seizing the unhappy wretches by the seats of their trowsers, will delay their progress or drag them back within close rifle shot. This will generally decide the affair. If, however, in consequence of vast numbers or determined bravery, the enemy advance to the trench, a warm fire must be kept up.

On coming to close quarters, the men will use their pepper pots vigorously. Nothing can withstand this system,—with eyes smarting and blinded with pepper, noses offended with the stench of the parapet, deafened by the barking of the dogs and incessantly annoyed by their sharp and tenacious gripe, the enemy, though composed of the best materials that ever made up an army, must give way and fall an easy prey, in their torturing retreat, to our victorious arms.

When flying artillery is used in connection with these troops, it will consist of four and six pound field-pieces, carefully strapped on the backs of stout jackasses and pointed to the rear. These being fired the recoil will arouse all the natural obstinacy of the animal, who, thinking he is pushed forward, will instantly move stern first, with incredible celerity, towards the enemy. When a retreat is ordered, the men serving the gun will pull the beast's tail, who will immediately change his motion and rush forward with impetuosity. It is thus that man shows his supremacy over the brute creation, in rendering even their evil dispositions subservient to his designs.



USMA Free-Flight Laboratory

DEPARTMENT OF ORDNANCE

HAS ITS OWN

UNIQUE LABORATORY FOR

TESTING HIGH-VELOCITY WEAPONS

IN ORDER to evaluate fully the theoretical computations for any system it is necessary to obtain performance data experimentally which can then be compared to the original calculations and the soundness of the analysis determined. The testing of a weapon to obtain experimental data of reasonable accuracy presents certain problems. A facility for weapon testing has recently been constructed at the United States Military Academy by the Department of Ordnance. This so-called Free-Flight Laboratory is used as one of the laboratories supporting the Ordnance Engineering course which is a required course for all First Classmen.

Description of the Laboratory.

The laboratory was installed on the ground floor of Thayer Hall, one of the academic buildings of the Academy. Figure 1 is a schematic drawing of the laboratory. It consists of two rooms: the classroom and control room in which all firing is done and where all instrumentation is installed.

The two rooms are separated by a wall and a steel door, the dividing wall having a bulletproof glass window for observation of the test firing. The bullet trap is a steel-backed bin in which sand has been placed to stop the fired projectiles. The firing room, in addition to normal lighting, has a set of safelights for use during photographic work.

Firing is done using a Mann Rest equipped with a .30 caliber test barrel. The device is armed and fired through two separate electro-mechanical systems. All arming and firing is done remotely from the control room. Figure 2 shows the test barrel and rest.

Testing Capabilities.

The testing capabilities of the laboratory are designed to investigate each of the three areas of ballistics; namely, interior, exterior and terminal ballistics.

In the study of interior ballistics, that is, the study of a projectile while under the influence of the gun tube or launcher, one is interested in obtaining data on the pressure-time history of the initiation of the propelling charge. In order to obtain such data, a piezoelectric pressure gauge is used. The varying electrical signal generated is fed through an amplifier to an oscilloscope on which has been placed a camera. When the round of ammunition is fired the trace of the pressure curve is photographed and used in the calculation of weapon performance factors. Figure 3 shows the oscilloscope and the control console.

As a part of exterior ballistics, the study of the projectile along its trajectory, projectile velocity is of prime interest. Two screens are placed a known distance apart.

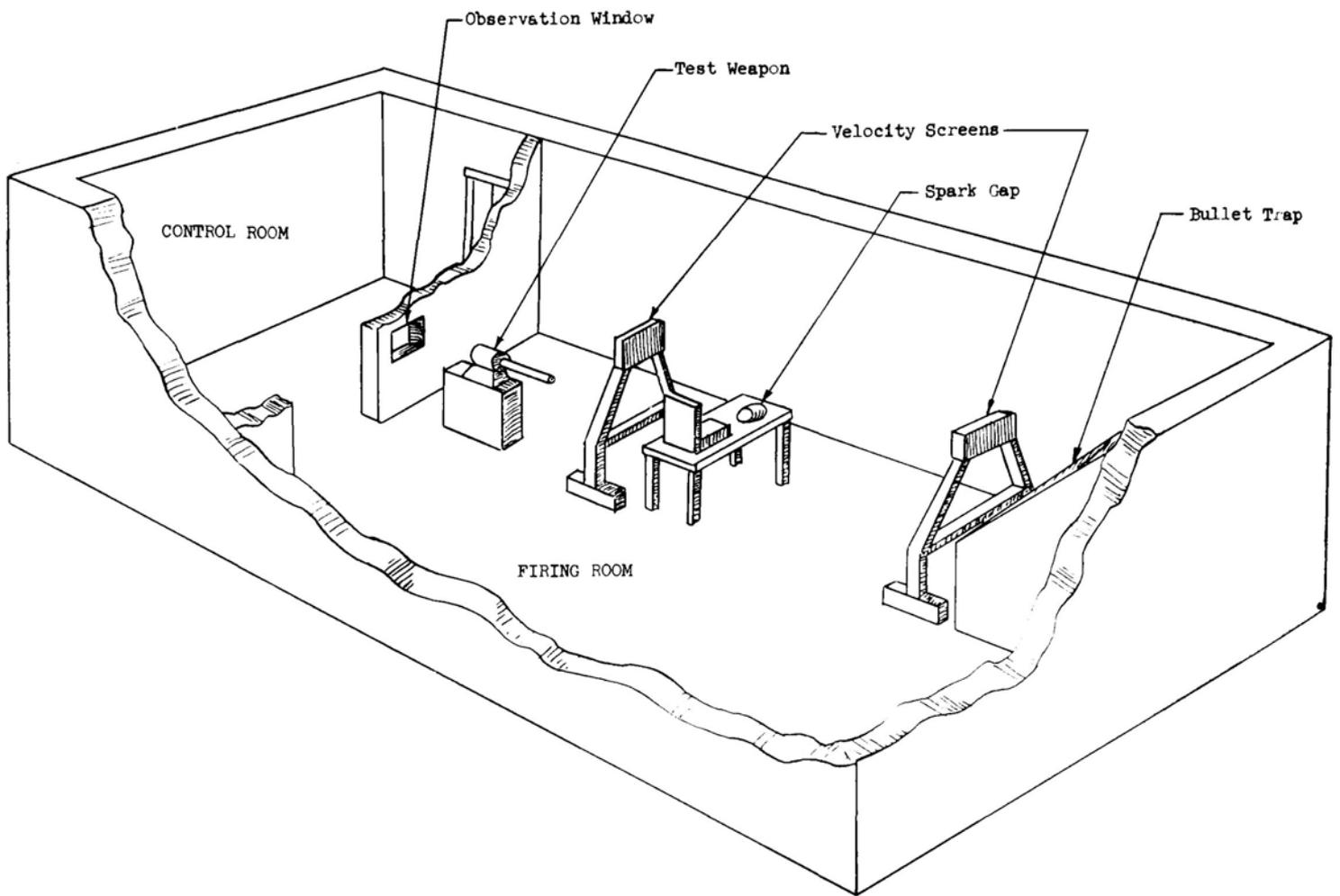


Figure 1. Lay-out of free-flight laboratory.

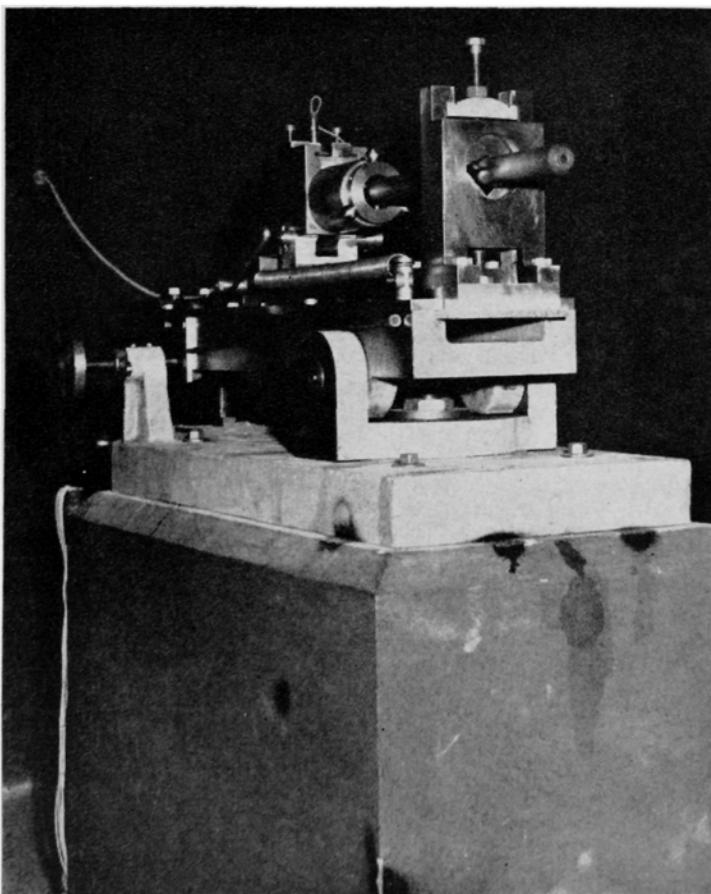


Figure 2. Test gun and mount.

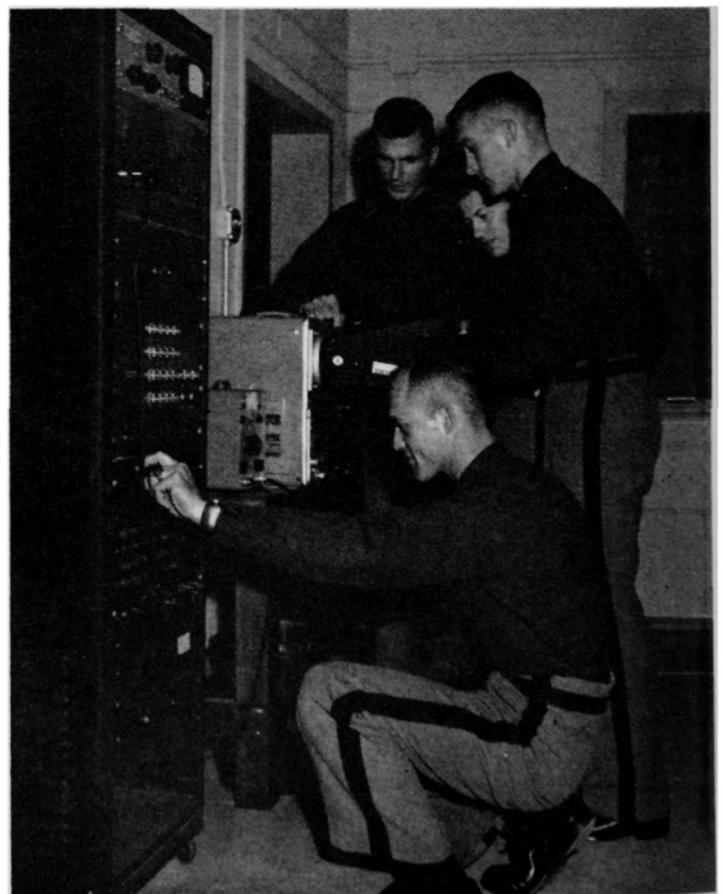


Figure 3. Control console showing chronographs and oscilloscope.

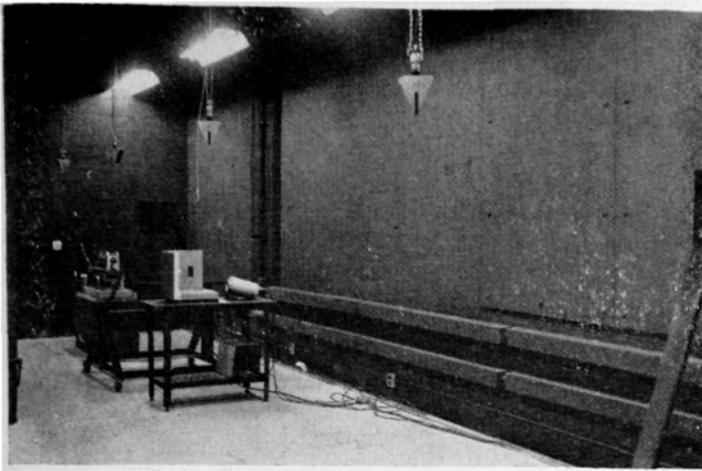


Figure 4.
Firing range
looking toward
gun.

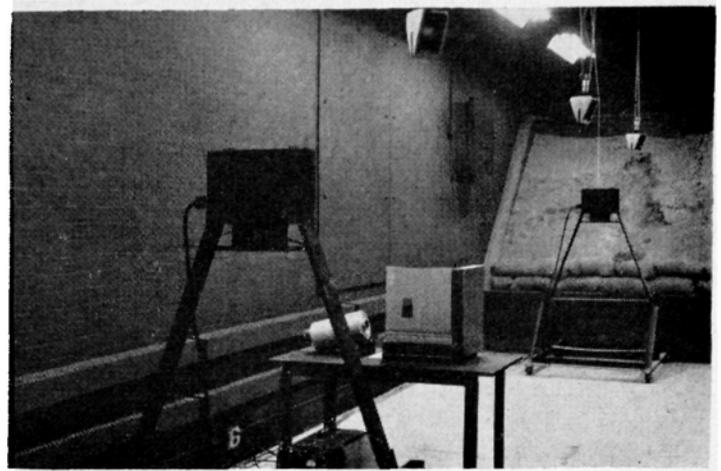


Figure 5.
Firing range
looking toward
bullet trap.

These screens are seen in Figures 4 and 5. A light source is directed toward a photoelectric cell. When the bullet passes through the beam of light, the photoelectric cell senses this instantaneous break in the light beam and sends out an electrical impulse which is used to start a counter-chronograph, an accurate timer. When the bullet passes through the second screen another impulse is obtained and used to stop the counter-chronograph. From the time of transit and the distance travelled one can easily compute the projectile velocity.

Also of interest is the stability of the projectile in flight. A shadow photograph is taken for this purpose. The equipment is shown in Figure 6. A spark gap of high intensity and short duration is triggered by the previously mentioned screen. The spark illuminates the projectile against a background of sheet film shown being loaded into the film holder. The result is a shadow photograph seen in Figure 7. In addition to the stability of the projectile, the velocity can also be determined from the shock wave by using well-known relations from fluid mechanics.

Terminal ballistics, the study of the effect of a projectile on the target, is investigated with the use of high-speed motion picture equipment. Projectiles can be fired at various target materials and the effects of the projectile shapes and materials on targets can be investigated.

Future Expansion.

Many possibilities for future expansion exist. These projects, which are to be undertaken in the near future, are the design of inductive velocity coils to provide a third means of velocity measurement, installation of strain gauges on the test barrel to allow detailed stress analysis of a gun tube, and design of an analog computer circuit to take the pressure-time pulse and integrate it directly into data for gun design.

Summary.

The free-flight laboratory represents one of the newest additions to the laboratory facilities of the Department of Ordnance. The laboratory, rather unique in academic institutions, affords the opportunity not only for verification of theory discussed in the classroom, but also affords the interested cadet an opportunity to study more fully advanced aspects of weapons design beyond the level of the required Ordnance Engineering course.

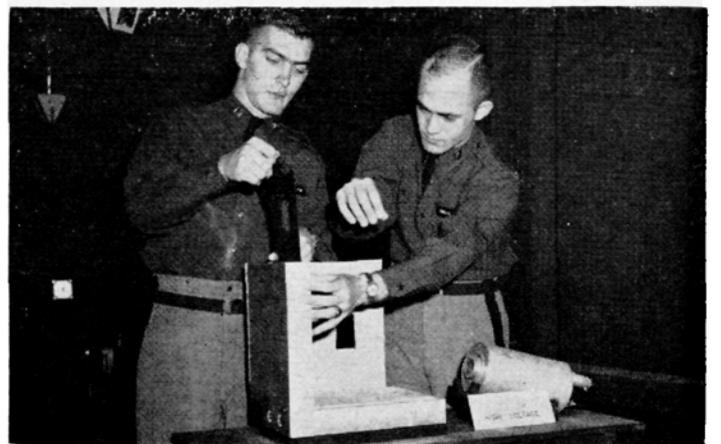


Figure 6.
Set-up showing equipment
for obtaining shadow
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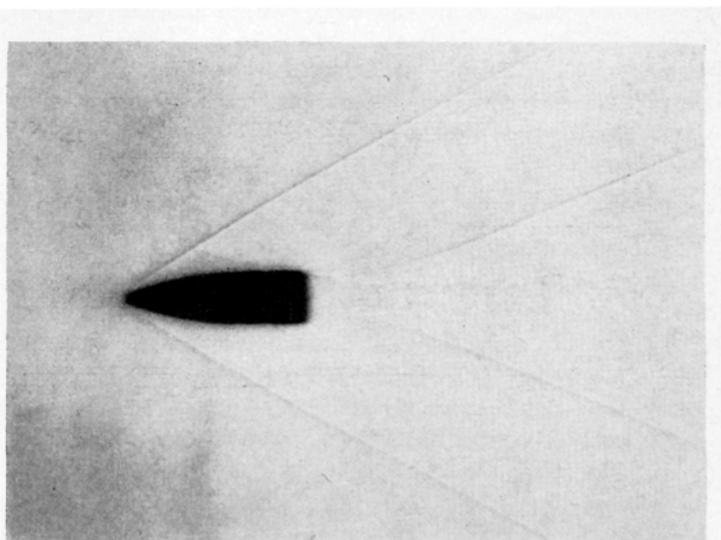


Figure 7.
Shadow photographs
of a .30 caliber projectile.
Muzzle velocity is 2,700 ft/sec.

SCUSA XIII



Hon. John J. McCloy with Cadet James R. Ellis, Brigade Commander (left); Maj. Gen. Westmoreland, Superintendent; and Cadet Charles R. Chandler, Chairman of SCUSA XIII.

by CAPTAIN ED D. DAVIS

Department of Social Sciences

MILITARY OPERATIONS are customarily given code names during the planning process in order to protect secret information. SCUSA XIII is a USMA educational operation most widely known by its code name, although its function is the spread of knowledge rather than the preservation of secrets. The Thirteenth Annual Student Conference on United States Affairs — SCUSA XIII — was held at West Point on 6-9 December 1961. SCUSA is a cadet extracurricular activity sponsored by the West Point Debate Council and Forum with the assistance of the George Olmstead Foundation.

OBJECTIVES

The purposes of this operation are:

To produce an informative examination and discussion of the national security policy of the United States;

To provide an outstanding group of college students with an appreciation of the complexities of government policy formulation; and

To broaden students' contacts with the contemporaries in an academic endeavor.

At first glance, some of these purposes may seem too "high-level" to interest college students, but they are not. In fact, today's college students are keenly aware of world problems and are anxious to have some voice in their solution.

ORIGIN

SCUSA came into existence to fulfill this desire of stud-

ents to come to grips with high-level governmental problems. Specifically, SCUSA began because of cadet realization of the value of the student conferences they attended at civilian colleges and of the expanding educational requirements of military officers. A group of cadets in the spring of 1949 made the initial recommendation that the Military Academy hold a student conference on international affairs with emphasis on US national security. They were strongly supported by the Superintendent, then General Maxwell D. Taylor, and the USMA faculty, particularly Brigadier General Herman Beukema and his department. After wise counselling by an advisory committee including Professors Gordon Craig and Frederick S. Dunn of Princeton, Dr. Joseph E. Johnson, now President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Dr. Grayson L. Kirk, now President of Columbia, and Miss Ruth B. Russell of the Brookings Institution, and generous financial assistance from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the first annual Student Conference (SCUSA I) was held in the fall of 1949. Now, 13 years later, SCUSA is established as a popular extracurricular activity, organized and administered by approximately 60 cadets.

PARTICIPANTS

The participants in the operation were 167 selected undergraduate students (usually seniors) from 85 colleges and universities, such as Duke, Harvard, Kansas State, Princeton, the Royal Military College of Canada, Texas A&M, UCLA, the Universities of Alaska, Hawaii, Maine,

Michigan, and South Carolina, and all of the Service academies. The conference invitation list is limited to about 90 schools for administrative reasons. While the majority of the schools invited are within a 300-mile radius of West Point, it has been possible to arrange for sufficient participation by distant schools so that all regions of the US and Canada are represented. Also participating in this operation as round-table discussion leaders and panel members were 33 senior individuals from universities, foundations, industry, government and other walks of life who are expert in the subject matter.

FOCUS

To help the students make significant progress during the 4-day conference, the SCUSA staff each year selects one vital area of our national security policy. In past years, SCUSA has focused on American Far Eastern Policy, Foreign Assistance Policy, Policies for the Rimland of Europe, Problems of Contemporary Revolution, and Vulnerabilities of the Free World. This year's area of concern was the Atlantic Community, its problems and prospects, and, especially, its relationship to the over-all national security objectives of the United States.

PRE-CONFERENCE STUDY NECESSARY

Several measures are taken to insure that the students are able to pursue a worthwhile study of the topic. First, each school is encouraged to appoint students who major in international relations, political science, economics, or a subject area assuring some competence in grappling with the problems to be discussed. The fact that two-thirds of the visiting students at SCUSA XIII had achieved academic honors was indicative of their capabilities. Each school was further requested to appoint a faculty tutor to supervise the pre-conference preparation of its delegates. The Academy conducted seminars during October and November for cadets desiring to be participants.

Second, as soon as the name of a student was received from his school, the conference staff sent him a package which included a detailed conference agenda, selected articles reflecting varying shades of current thought on



Round-table discussions are the heart of the conference.

the round-table topic he had selected, and a special bibliography to speed him along in his pre-conference study.

NATIONAL FIGURES ASSIST STUDENTS

At the conference, each small, round-table group had two senior individuals who possessed superior first-hand knowledge of the particular discussion topic for that group. One acted as a moderator and the other as an adviser. There is always a danger that a round-table meeting which includes such recognized experts will cease being a discussion and will turn into a question and answer period or an informal lecture; therefore, the round-table chairman and adviser limited their participation to two duties: quickly resolving questions of fact when the students needed assistance and briefly stating aspects of the problem which otherwise might have been overlooked.

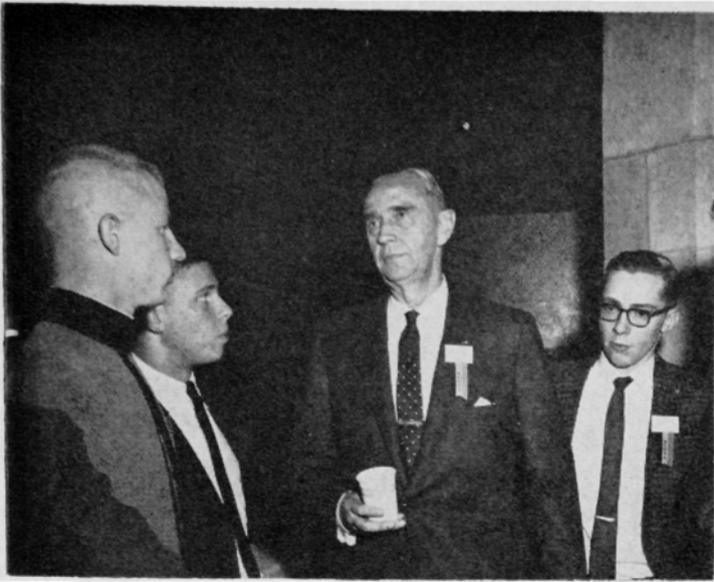
CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Students received further guidance for their discussions from two speeches and two panel discussions presented by authorities drawn from academic, business and government circles. The Honorable John J. McCloy, former High Commissioner for Germany and, until recently, President Kennedy's adviser on disarmament, opened SCUSA XIII with the keynote address, "Goals for the Atlantic Community," at 1600 hours, 6 December. Mr. McCloy called for a closer association of the nations of the Atlantic Community, not only militarily, but economically. In his words, "The exigencies of peace, the exigencies of our security, and the exigencies of our economy and that of the Free World clearly demand a larger community interest than that afforded by the limitations of national boundaries or even of limited regional boundaries." He felt this community was needed not simply to counter the Communist force, but "to develop the highest potential of which the Free World is capable in the face of the ever greater demands which the world as a whole now presents to us." Mr. McCloy clearly pointed out the difficulties which will confront the US in its efforts to get other nations to take the steps necessary to develop this potential: "One would be obtuse if he minimized the difficulties in the way of an integration of free world policies; for it must be accomplished without force, without suppression, indeed without pressure, but I submit that the need for it and the opportunity for it are so great that our best thought should be directed to a serious consideration of the ways and means of bringing it about." Thus the challenge to the students was clearly stated.

That evening a panel of distinguished guests, chaired



Undersecretary of State George C. McGhee gave the banquet address.



Delegates question Gen. Schuyler at the informal reception in Grant Hall following the evening panel discussion.

by Dr. James A. Perkins, Vice President of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, further defined the conditions existing within the Atlantic Community and the changes needed to effect the integration desired. Dr. Robert Strausz-Hupé, Professor of Political Science and Director of the Foreign Research Institute at the University of Pennsylvania, cited the political arrangements that the US will have to make if it is going to support the idea of community and the priorities that the US will have to give to other parts of the world. Dr. Strausz-Hupé gave an approach to the solution of the problem Mr. McCloy raised about how the US can lead in bringing about integration. He suggested that President Kennedy should say, "Peoples of the Atlantic Community, unite."

General Cortland V. R. Schuyler, former Chief of Staff in SHAPE and now Gov. Rockefeller's Executive Assistant, covered the military aspects of the Community. He felt that we are further along on the military side; however, military considerations also require important decisions both internally and externally within the idea of Atlantic Community, particularly as concerns control of atomic weapons. Going on to the whole broad issue of the conference, he advised the students, "If we are really going to endorse an Atlantic Community, we had better endorse it all the way, because lukewarm endorsement is not going to enthuse anybody."

To insure that the conferees were not overwhelmed by having every principal speaker endorse the idea of Atlantic Community, Dr. Gardner Patterson, Professor of Economics and Director of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University, was asked to criticize the idea and to cover some of the economic aspects that should be considered. He raised two major objections to the creation of a formalized institution: (1) how it would affect our already serious balance of payments problem, and (2) how it would affect our ability to aid the developing nations.

During the second day the students divided into round-table groups. For SCUSA XIII's study of the Atlantic Community, the students selected one of four round-table topics: Political Aspects of the Community, Military Aspects of the Community, Economic Aspects of the Community, or Community Relations with Developing Nations. Each round-table had about 18 students who started from the assumption that they were a working committee of responsible government officials finding and examining facts and

considerations, and weighing pros and cons of alternative courses of action by the United States.

After two 2½-hour sessions, the students reassembled in the North Auditorium of Thayer Hall Thursday evening to hear a panel discussion of "The Formulation of National Security Policy." Chaired by Colonel G. A. Lincoln, Professor and Head of the Department of Social Sciences at USMA, this panel had the task of giving the students a "slice of reality" about the roles of the Executive and Legislative Branches of Government and the Press in the making of national policy. This was done deliberately to put a brake on the tendency of the students to rush to superficially easy answers.

Dr. William T. R. Fox, Professor of International Relations and Director of the Institute of War and Peace Studies at Columbia University, described the evolution of US machinery for formulating national security policy in the Executive Branch. It has taken 75 years, he observed, to advance from the point where the State Department made "peace policy" and the War and Navy Departments made "war policy" to today's arrangement where the National Security Council is charged with making policies for peace and war. If it took the US 75 years to develop an organization to coordinate *our* national security policy, it is to be expected that the process of obtaining coordination between the Atlantic Allies will certainly be slow.

Dr. Carl M. Marcy, Chief of Staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, explained the role of Congress. Congress must reflect the attitudes of the people accurately if the individual members are to be re-elected. This then prevents Congressmen from trying to lead the people to support policies which Congressmen may feel the voters are not prepared to accept. Dr. Marcy expressed the view that the members of Congress usually stay in Washington longer than the members of the Executive Branch and are, therefore, highly qualified to develop national security policies that command the support of a majority of Americans.

Mr. Arthur T. Hadley, who has written for *Newsweek* and the *New York Herald Tribune* and is the author of several books, covered both how the press operates and how it influences the making of policy. He feels that the press is misused when it is the instrument for intra-governmental communication, that is, when one part of the government must read the newspaper to learn what another part is doing. The press is not run for this purpose. It is run to make money, and that requires a selection of



Under Secretary McGhee answered questions on US policy during an informal reception after the banquet.

what news is printed, and this generally means that bad news is played up rather than good. Furthermore, editors have fixed ideas on what is news, and usually this results in a concentration on what is going on at the State Department. Mr. Hadley observed that the three branches of government have a system of checks and balances, but the press is checked almost exclusively by the laws of libel. Thus Mr. Hadley concluded that the idea of an Atlantic Community is likely to be neglected by the press until there is enough interest in the concept to aid the sale of newspapers.

Another full day of round-table discussions on Friday was capped by a banquet in the evening. The Honorable George C. McGhee, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, gave the banquet address, "Atlantic Unity—Key to World Community." He suggested a tightly integrated Europe and a "somewhat looser" association of Atlantic nations, which would include the US, as a pattern for future American policy. "The United States can work more effectively with a single integrated Europe than with several weaker European nations." Common tasks of the US and the European Community within the framework of the Atlantic Community would be "a concerted effort to help the less-developed countries achieve needed progress" and "defense of the frontiers of freedom against Communist threats and aggression."

SCUSA REPORTS

The staff here feels that the discussion and analysis of issues and opposing viewpoints are the most valuable functions at the conference; however, the students desire conclusions. Each round-table compiled a report on its accomplishments Saturday morning. No attempt was made to arrive at an agreed set of conclusions and recommendations for the Conference as a whole. Participants had an opportunity, at a concluding luncheon, to hear the varying views of all discussion groups. In addition to the oral reports at the luncheon, a permanent record of all the speeches, panel discussions, and round-table findings was published by the conference staff and distributed to the participants, US and Canadian colleges, and numerous educators and governmental officials. Readers may obtain copies of the *Final Report of SCUSA XIII* by requesting them directly from the Department of Social Sciences.

ACCOMPLISHMENT I: CONFUSION

What did SCUSA XIII accomplish? Certainly, the students did not solve all the problems of national security in four days. However, judging from the experience of twelve previous conferences, the participants did become better informed about our security problems and were much impressed with the complexities of policy formulation. Working toward a final report on which even a small group tried to reach agreement helped them realize the difficulties inherent in adopting any policy.

As the Honorable Dean Rusk said at the SCUSA XII banquet:

"I hope that the members of this conference will go away more confused than when they came. If you do so, you will be more in touch with reality and will have the beginnings of the wisdom needed to understand the situation in which we find ourselves in the world today. A wholesome respect for the complexity and pace of the world situation is the first ingredient in making a responsible citizen."

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ACCOMPLISHMENT II: THOUGHT

Another result is that the abrasion inherent in discussions between students of varying political and social temper and representing all regions of our country caused many to rethink some of the preconceptions which they brought from their home campuses. Perhaps nothing they learn can be as important as the fact that the complexities of current national security problems preclude—even for brilliant students—quick assessments and simple solutions.

ACCOMPLISHMENT III: MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING

An indirect, but very valuable achievement of the conference is the fostering of mutual understanding between

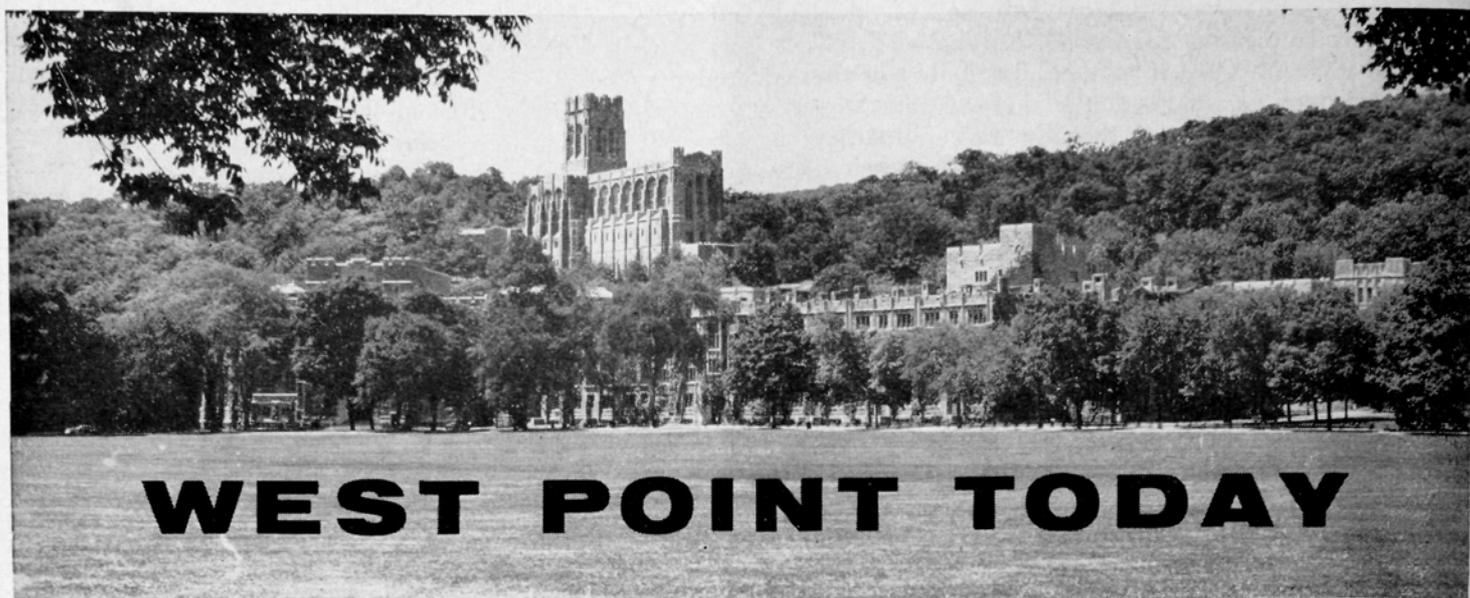


The questioning of Dr. Strausz-Hupé continued long after the panel discussion closed.

potential civilian and military leaders of the coming generation. A significant segment of the Cadet Corps, approximately 60 cadets on the SCUSA administrative staff and 50 cadet round-table participants, mingled continuously with conferees from other schools. Also, briefings on the Academy's history, mission, and curriculum and tours of the Academy's classrooms, laboratories, museum and other points of interest were arranged for the visitors. These contacts help dispel an attitude sometimes found in civilian educational circles that the curriculum of the Military Academy is geared solely to turning out narrow military specialists. Most of our visitors have said that they left West Point with a new appreciation of the Academy's efforts to produce broadly grounded, inquisitive young officers who are equipped to devote a lifetime of service to the pursuit of our national security. On the other hand, cadets have been made aware of the interests and knowledge of their civilian contemporaries in national security and other matters.

ACCOMPLISHMENT IV: NATIONAL SECURITY

At the graduation exercises at West Point in 1955, President Eisenhower told the graduating class, "Your greatest opportunity for an enduring contribution to America may well be at the council table, far removed from war." We believe that SCUSA XIII helped to prepare its participants—civilian as well as military—for the council table so that they may all contribute to our nation's security.



ARMY 195 — NAVY 95

All alumni are aware of the result of the Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia on 2 December, but perhaps not everyone realizes that Army beat Navy in another contest in New York on the following day. This was in the G.E. College Bowl, a quiz game testing the quick recall of specific facts, which was telecast nationally over CBS.

The Army team, consisting of Cadets David A. Armstrong, Jan T. Molvar, David K. Riggs, and James M. Ruth, won an overwhelming victory over Navy, by a score of 195 to 95.

Questions used in the College Bowl cover the entire span of human knowledge, ranging from ancient history to current events, and with any phase of the liberal arts, engineering, or scientific curricula a likely source. By their quick and accurate responses, the cadets demonstrated their vitality, alertness, and versatility.

This year's Army-Navy game opened with Navy being penalized 5 points for failing to answer correctly a question for which Armstrong subsequently provided the answer. From that point on, until the closing minutes of the game, it was Army all the way. At half time, the score stood: Army 135—Navy minus 5. In the second half, the cadets continued to increase their lead over the midshipmen, which was 200 to 0 at the widest point. Each of the four cadets successfully answered at least one of the all-important toss-up questions, and all collaborated in a real team effort on the bonus questions which were asked them. Molvar was the individual high scorer of the day, with correct answers to four toss-ups.



Victorious Army College Bowl team with program moderator Allen Ludden. Left to right: Cadets Jan T. Molvar '62, David A. Armstrong '62, James M. Ruth, Jr. '63, and David K. Riggs '62.

Much of the coaching that resulted in the magnificent Army victory over Navy was provided by the Officer-in-Charge, Lt. Colonel Beverly C. Snow, Jr. '44, who planned the program and coordinated all of its activities. Colonel Snow was ably assisted in the performance of an outstanding job by Lt. Colonel Charles L. Heltzel Jan'43, Major Allen A. Jennings '50, and other officers of the Academic Departments and post support activities. All of these officers, as well as the cadets, devoted their time to this activity on an extra-curricular basis.

For winning against Navy, USMA received the Army-Navy silver trophy and a \$1,500 grant.

Perhaps Cadet Armstrong, the Army captain, best summed up the feelings of the Corps and Army men everywhere when he stated to Mr. Allen Ludden, the referee, during the trophy presentation ceremony toward the end of the show: "Sir, Army always likes to beat Navy!"

THINK ARMY
SINK NAVY

SERVICE SONS IN '65

The Class of 1965 entered the Academy with 847 new cadets plus 16 turn-backs and 5 come-backs, for a total of 868. By 1 December, the strength had decreased to 764 including four foreign cadets: two from Costa Rica, one from Nicaragua, and one from Paraguay.

Ninety-eight of the plebes have prior military service, mostly in the Army; 64 of the plebes attended the USMA Preparatory School at Fort Belvoir.

There are 293 Army brats, 53 Navy juniors, 51 Air Force fledglings, and 10 Marine sons. In addition, 24 are sons of Organized Reservists, 10 are sons of National Guardsmen, and 2 are sons of Merchant Mariners.

Fifty-nine are sons of West Point graduates, representing nineteen of the classes between 1920 and 1943.

1920—John B. Gailey

1922—James E. Bryan

1923—William H. Tredennick

1925—Edward A. Foehl Jr.

1927—Benjamin Whitehouse IV

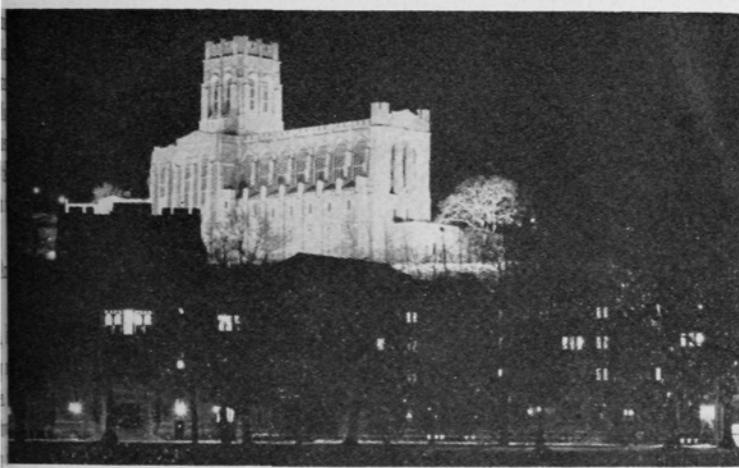
1930—Frederick W. Ammerman

1931—Camden W. McConnell, Ernest D. Westpheling

1932—Spotswood DeWitt, Francis R. Skidmore

1933—William J. Ely Jr., Nicholas H. Merriam, Alfred G. Meyer

- 1934—John T. Anderson, Charles E. Brown Jr., Richard W. Manlove
 1935—Barre S. Bernier, Arthur D. Isham, Louis L. Wheeler
 1936—Robert B. Cato, William G. Haneke, Richard C. Kinard, Richard D. Mohlere, Basil M. Punsalan
 1937—Robert S. Besson, Michael J. Connor, Gordon T. Kimbrell Jr.
 1938—Steven C. Bassett, Mitchell E. Bonnett Jr., Bruce B. G. Clarke, Jack M. Jannarone, Richard H. Sinnreich
 1939—Richard W. Chapman, Malcolm S. Gilchrist, Robert W. Higgins, Robert J. Hill III, Joseph A. McChristian Jr, Michael B. Teeters, David B. Vann, John M. Vann, Walter J. Wells Jr.
 1940—Kendall M. Lemley, David V. Mastran, Stephen R. Morrissey, Richard A. Sullivan, Roderick Wetherill Jr.
 1941—Leighton C. Atteberry, William S. Birdseye, Robert D. Brown III, Eric T. de Jonckheere Jr., Courtenay P. O'Connell, Richard M. Osgood Jr.
 1942—Walter A. Divers Jr., Thomas G. Fergusson, King G. Steadman, Douglas Terrel, James H. Wood
 1943—Thomas H. Johnson



UNDERWOOD PHOTOGRAPH

Those who read the obituary of Henry Underwood Jun'18 in the 1961 Spring issue of *ASSEMBLY* may recall the mention of his exceptional ability as a photographer, and this reference to one specific picture:

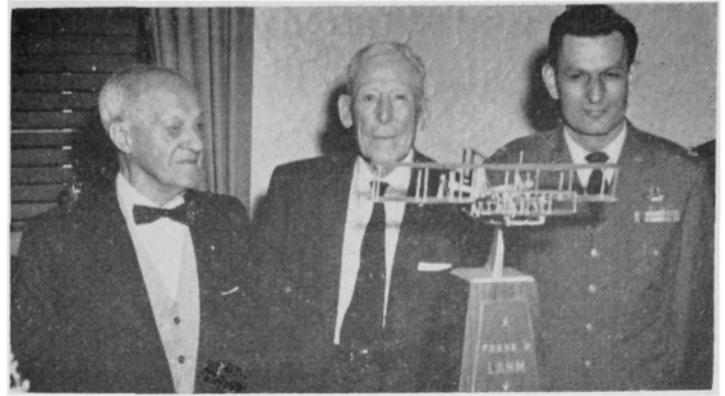
"...his night photograph of the illuminated Cadet Chapel with the black crenellations of North and South Barracks silhouetted against the white field of the surmounting chapel, not only demonstrated his genius, but could well serve today as a symbol of Christianity's certainty of prevailing over Communism."

Because the photograph is really unusual, it is reproduced here for all of *ASSEMBLY's* readers. Those who have seen it before will enjoy once again the chance to admire its beauty. Those who may not have seen it before must certainly agree that the picture lives up to its description in every respect as an inspirational example of Henry Underwood's extraordinary talent.

LAHM TROPHY

The Frank P. Lahm Air Safety Trophy is sponsored by the Aviation Committee of the Mansfield (Ohio) Area Chamber of Commerce. The trophy will be awarded each year to the Ohio Air National Guard squadron with the best safety record.

This handsome trophy honors Brig. Gen. Frank Lahm, USMA 1901, who was qualified by Wilbur Wright on 26 October 1902 as one of the two first military airplane



(Courtesy ANAF Register)

Presentation of Lahm Air Safety Trophy in Mansfield, Ohio: Brig. Gen. Frank P. Lahm (center), USMA 1901, USAF-Ret., first rated military pilot; Maj. Gen Benjamin D. Foulois (left), USAF-Ret., first Air Force Chief of Staff; and Lt. Col. Andrew Lacy, CO of 162d Tactical Fighter Squadron (Ohio Air NG) which won first award.

pilots. Following a distinguished career in the early Signal Corps Flying Service and then in the Army Air Corps, General Lahm retired in 1941 and lives in Mansfield.

The first award of the trophy was made in Mansfield with General Lahm as guest of honor. Lt. Col. Andrew Lacy, CO of the 162d Tactical Fighter Squadron, accepted the trophy on behalf of his squadron which earned the honor by its 100% flying safety record during the past year.

(Courtesy ANAF Register and ANAF Journal.)

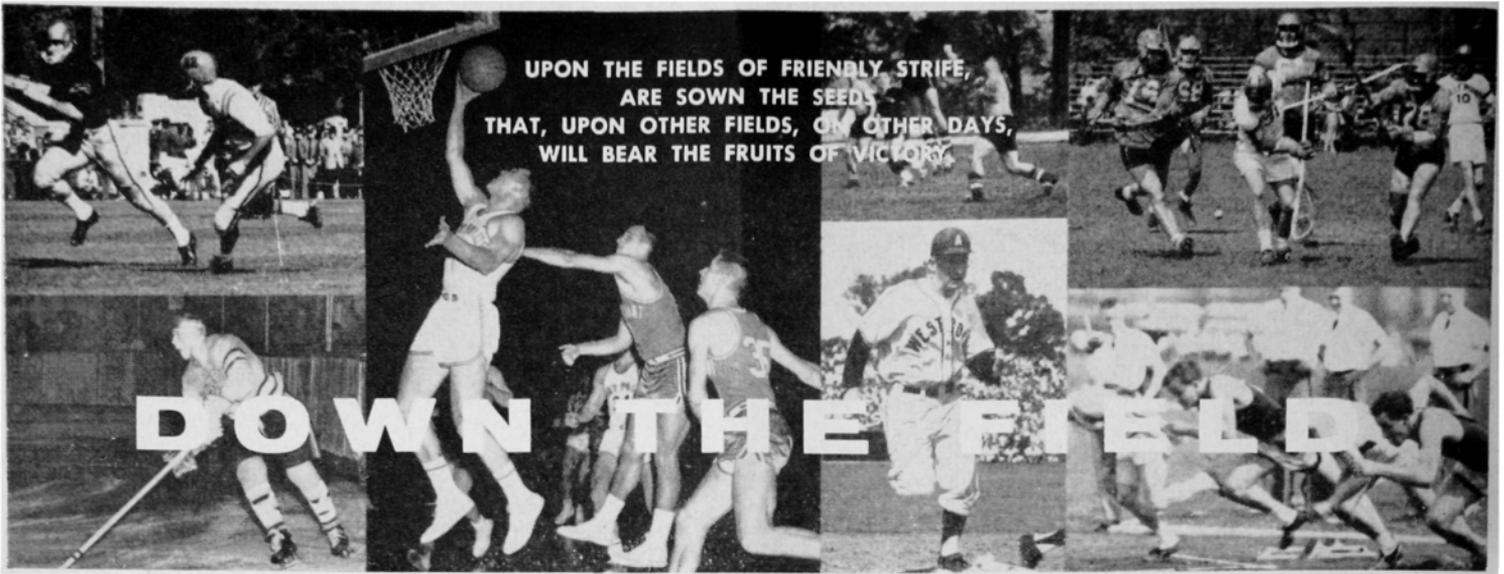
INTER-ACADEMY HUMANITIES CONFERENCE

This snapshot was taken by the wife of the Head of the Department of English, Government, and History of the US Naval Academy on the afternoon of 21 October 1961 aboard the TC harborcraft assigned to West Point.

From left to right are Colonel Wesley W. Posvar, USMA '46, Head of the Department of Political Science at the Air Force Academy; Lt. Gen. R. J. Wood, USMA '30, Commanding General of the Army Air Defense Command, Colorado Springs; Colonel G. A. Lincoln, USMA '29, Head of the Department of Social Sciences, USMA; Colonel Russell K. Alspach, U. of Pa. '24, Head of the Department of English, USMA; and Captain David Rubel, USNA '41, Head of the Department of English, Government, and History, US Naval Academy.

Captain and Mrs. Rubel were weekend guests of the Alspachs incident to comparing notes on their respective departments; Posvar, Wood, and Lincoln had met that weekend at the American Assembly Conference on Outer Space at Arden House, Harriman, near West Point. The trip aboard the harborcraft served as one occasion for the discussion of mutual problems.





By JOE CAHILL

THE 6-4 record compiled by the football squad in '61 was neither the finest nor the poorest in Army annals. However, the season is certain to be recalled as one of the most provocative and controversial in a decade.

From the outset, the 10-team schedule was berated from coast-to-coast. Adding fuel to the fire, of course, was the announcement of Dale Hall's release as head coach.

These two items provoked widespread comment and controversy, both from within the ranks and without. Army football, its problems and principles, were almost daily subjects of editorial comment in the national press.

Schedule-making is at best a difficult proposition. Contracts for a majority of games are negotiated up to 8 years in advance. As one athletic director so aptly stated, "We will soon find ourselves making up schedules for boys who are not yet born."

The principal objection to the schedule, generally speaking, was the appearances of Richmond, Idaho, Detroit, and William & Mary. These teams were dubbed "feeble rabbit hunts," or "dubious natural and qualified rivals," by members of the Fourth Estate. Army bombed all four by an average score of nearly 40 points per game.

It is not the purpose here to prove the strength or weakness of the schedule. The facts, however, do not sub-

stantiate the defense of a strong slate. To illustrate the point: Army's ten opponents won 46 games, lost 50. Only 4 of the 10 teams compiled winning records, namely, Michigan, Penn State, Detroit, and Navy. Richmond and Oklahoma broke even with 5 and 5. Penn State won the Lambert Trophy, significant of the Eastern Championship, and yet Army pinned one of the three defeats on the Nittany Lions.

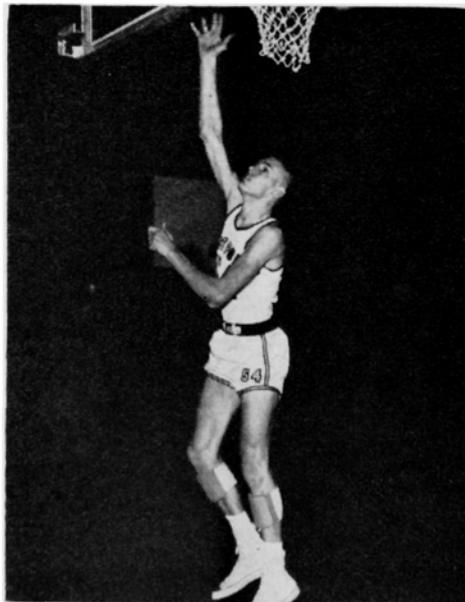
As the schedule was played, only Michigan appeared to be out of Army's class. The Wolverines, on that day at least, were too big, too strong, too fast, and too many, as the 38 to 8 score attests.

There is still another interesting aspect. Army needed a total of three touchdowns, or more specifically 19 points, to turn defeat into victory against West Virginia (3-7), Oklahoma (8-14), and Navy (7-13).

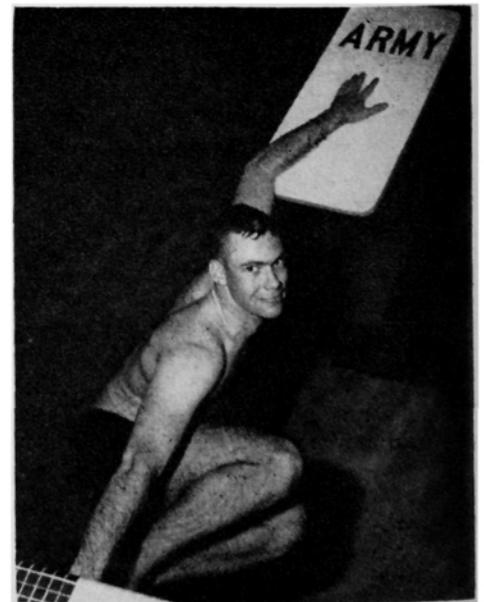
The turning point of the season was undoubtedly the set back at the hands of West Virginia. The Mountaineers, with an unimpressive record, did not appear to be the physical equal of the Cadets. Yet Army failed to muster any semblance of a drive. Quarterback Dick Eckert's ankle injury was somewhat to blame, but it was to be hoped that Army could overcome this handicap against an oft-beaten foe. A victory at this point would have provided the necessary impetus and instilled the confidence, to pos-



Al DeJardin '62



Chuck Richards '64



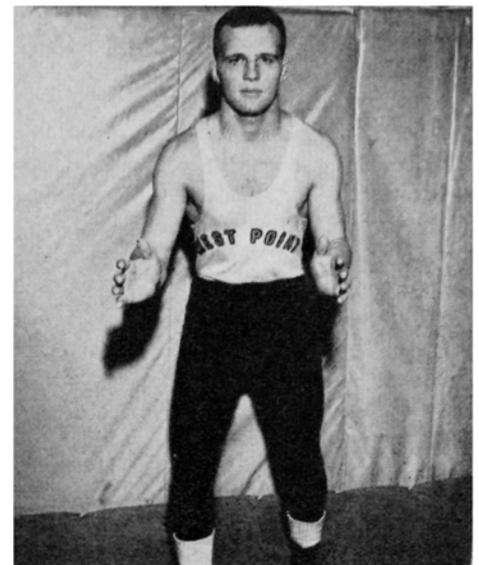
Joe Shanabrough '64



Ron Chisholm '62



Albie Symes '62



Mike Natvig '63

sibly save the season. These essentials were noticeably lacking against both Oklahoma and Navy.

While there were no honors in store for the team, at least three individuals were singled out for special praise. The trio included tackle Dale Kuhns, fullback Al Rushatz, and guard Mike Casp, the team captain. Kuhns and Rushatz were named to the all-East team. Casp was the recipient of the first annual Ringsdorf award to the outstanding Army player in the game with Navy.

Army football once again looks ahead to the dawn of a new era. What's in store? More difficult schedules, a more spacious stadium, a possible bowl appearance, and a new coaching staff are projected.

There will be no change, however, in the approach to football. No let-down in entrance requirements, academics, or discipline. The game, as it is played at West Point, will require, even more than in the past, intelligent, dedicated young men capable of handling the heaviest under-graduate load of any student-athlete in the country.

The '62 schedule includes in this order: Wake Forest, Syracuse at New York, at Michigan, Penn State, V.P.I., George Washington, at Boston U., Oklahoma State, Pittsburgh at New York, and Navy at Philadelphia.

John Ellerson, a 6-foot, 200-pound end, was elected captain of the team. He was regarded by the coaching staff "as the finest all-around player on the squad." His dad, a West Point graduate, is now serving with the 8th Div Arty in Germany.

Six starters will graduate. Among the hold-overs who were consistently in the starting line-up are Mike Miller, center; Chet Kempinski, tackle; Joe Blackgrove, halfback; Eckert, and Ellerson.

ON OTHER FIELDS

Army's 150-pound football team, winner or co-champion of the Eastern title in three of the past four seasons, missed by only a half game of repeating again this season. Navy, as usual, was the spoiler.

Three of the lightweights were accorded all-star honors. Halfback Bob DeVries and center John "Skip" Campbell were repeaters, and tackle Thurston Griffith was the only unanimous choice.

The cross-country team extended its unbeaten string to 12 in a row, before Cornell finally caught up with the Cadets. The highlight of the season, of course, was the win over Navy, the only fall sport to turn the trick. In the championship tests, the Cadets finished 2d in the Hep-

tagonals, 5th in the IC4-A and 11th in the NCAA. Most consistent performers included captain John Jones and yearlings Billy Straub and Robin Lingle.

The soccer team had a disappointing season. The 5-5 record was the poorest in four years. Four of the defeats were by the slim margin of one goal, and two of the games were decided in overtime. The booters were defeated 1-0 by West Chester State Teachers, the National Champions, and were decisively defeated by Navy, 3-0. Goalie Art Brown was a standout for the Cadets, and best offensive performers were Dyne Candon and Frank Kelly.

WINTERAMA

The basketball quintet, labelled as possibly the finest aggregation ever assembled on the Plain, got off to a disappointing start by dropping two of its first four games. As a result the future is foreboding. The cagers meanwhile were faced with such powers as Ohio State, the Nation's No. 1 ranked team, Southern California, West Virginia and Utah. This was part of a holiday assignment at the Los Angeles Classic.

The appearance of Chuck Richards, the tallest player in Army history (6-8), led basketball pundits to place the cadet cagers among the East's elite. Richards is a top-flight court star, but he is still a yearling and his lapses prove costly. Consistency comes with experience and Richards is a year away from attaining major court stature.

Stu Sherard, the team captain and high scorer, and Al DeJardin, another first classman, are relatively small but make up for any lack of size with their sharpshooting.

Coach Jack Riley's hockey sextet stayed one game above the .500 mark before the holiday break with a record of 3 and 2. Victories were recorded against Ohio University, Norwich, and American International. The skaters were defeated by Harvard and Princeton.

Lack of a major scoring threat appears to be the principal problem confronting Riley this winter. The defense is solid. Ron Chisholm is an outstanding goalie, and Paul Dobbins, Dick Higgins and Dick Peterson are all big, tough defensemen. The offense features veterans Albie Symes, Jerry Stonehouse, Bill Hingston, Rusty Broshous and Dave Harkins. Tom Dooley who set an all-time Plebe scoring record last winter also figures prominently.

The swimmers splashed their way to an impressive start by capturing five of six meets at the outset of the season. The only loss was at the hands of Harvard, one of the power teams in the East.

Relying heavily on yearlings, Coach Jack Ryan is on the brink of developing a major pool aggregation on the Plain. The former Ohio State swim star has excellent scoring potential in Joe Shanabrough, Bob Magruder, Bill Landgraf, Larry Herdegan, and Pete Danylchuck. The balance of the squad is rounded out by such proven talent as Steve Childers, Bill Stennis, and Mike Kilroy.

In wrestling, Army has high hopes of attaining a lofty position among the mat teams in the East. Al Rushatz, the fullback, is acknowledged to be among the best in the section, if not in the nation, at 177 pounds. As a sophomore Rushatz won the 167-pound Eastern bauble, and last year lost in the finals in the 177-pound class. Mike Natvig, a 147-pounder, is also given a good chance of attaining championship stature in his second class year. There is good team balance.

Coach Tom Maloney, one of the finest gymnastics teachers in the country, is relying on every trick in his voluminous file to produce his usual caliber of gymnasts. This season the gymnastic program has been altered to include only Olympic events. As a result the rope climb, flying rings, and tumbling have been discontinued. Replacing these are still rings, free exercise, and long horse. Army finds itself in the unwelcome position of not having any experience in the new events. As Maloney puts it, "This represents the greatest coaching challenge in my 32 years at West Point."

The pistol team again figures to be about the best in the nation. Squash is not figured to impress. The rifle team is expected to show an improvement over last year.

NEW FOOTBALL COACH

News in January of the appointment of Paul F. Dietzel as head football coach electrified the sports world.

Some 40 candidates, many of the "Big Name" variety, were screened before Major General Westmoreland, Superintendent, made his decision.

In deference to the coach, details of the contract were not announced. The announcement simply stated that both parties were entirely satisfied with contractual arrangements.

Dietzel is regarded in sports circles as an excellent choice. He attained the pinnacle of success at LSU. He brought the Baton Rouge school its first National Championship in 1958, and concurrently its first undefeated and untied season in 50 years. The same season, Dietzel was named Coach of the Year.

Army football is not new to the 37-year-old mentor and, conversely, he is not new to West Point. Twice before, he served on the Plain under Earl (Red) Blaik. As a matter of fact, his first and last jobs as an assistant were both at West Point. In 1948, he served as Plebe line coach, and in 1953 and '54 he was the varsity offensive line coach. As Dietzel so aptly puts it, "This is my First Class year. I was a Plebe in 1948, a Yearling in 1953 and a Cow in 1954. I want to recognize everyone at West Point, and in turn, be recognized by everyone."

As for the Army team and its immediate prospects, Dietzel had only this to say, "We'll take the best 33 athletes and make up a two-way unit, a strictly offensive unit, and a defensive unit. The only thing I know about the material is that they're West Pointers, and that's enough. A cadet in condition, he's game and wants to win. And since no one likes to win more than I do, I'm looking forward to what's in store."

The appointment shattered a precedent of long standing at West Point. Dietzel becomes the first non-graduate to be entrusted with the job in the modern era. J. W.

Beacham, a Cornell alumnus, filled in as the head coach during the 1911 season.

Dietzel is the fourth man in mufti to head up Army football. He follows Beacham, Earl Blaik and Dale Hall, his immediate predecessor, all of whom presided while on civilian status.

One of the finest football coaches in the nation, Dietzel was credited with having brought LSU "its greatest grid-iron success." During his 7-year tenure, the Bengals won 45, lost 24, and tied 3.

His three best years were '58 when the Bengals went undefeated in 10 games, and '59 and '61 when the compiled identical records of 9 and 1.

In addition to the national diadem, Dietzel also returned the Southeastern Conference title to LSU in 1958 and took



Coach Paul F. Dietzel.

a half share of the bauble in 1961. On three occasions he has taken the Bengals on Bowl trips. They defeated Clemson 7 to 0 in the '59 Sugar Bowl game and conclusively defeated Colorado 25 to 7 in the Orange Bowl this year. In 1960, the Bengals were trounced 21 to 0 by Ole Miss in the Sugar Bowl.

Rounding out his apprenticeship at West Point, Dietzel also served under "Bear" Bryant at Kentucky, and Sid Gilman at Cincinnati for 2-year terms.

Four of Dietzel's key aides also will move to West Point. These include George Terry, Larry Jones, Bill Shalosky, and Charles Pevey. Shalosky, offensive line coach, served as a plebe assistant here in 1954.

A native of Mansfield, Ohio, Dietzel was graduated from Miami (Ohio) University in 1947. He was football captain, Little All-America center, and an honor student.

During World War II, he served as a bomber pilot in the Army Air Force.

Paul is married to the former Ann Wilson. They will reside at West Point with their two children Steve (12) and Kathy (8).



'95

L. M. Nuttman
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I regret to report the death of our classmate, **Perry L. Miles**, which occurred in Walter Reed Hospital on 17 October after a short illness. Services were held at Fort Myer Chapel and interment was in Arlington National Cemetery beside his wife who had preceded him by many years.

Miles had just passed his 88th birthday. His book, "Fallen Leaves, Memories of an Old Soldier," was published and distributed only a few weeks before his death. His nearest of kin is a niece, Mrs. Esther Heron, 2324 Grace Street, Riverside, California.

There are now only two living members of the class: **Herron** and **Nuttman**.

'99

Charles D. Herron
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Bethesda 14, Md.

Woodruff and **Kelly** are again wrestling for honors on the San Diego golf course. **Woodruff** wins by default the bicycle race as **Kelly** refuses to buck the San Diego traffic. However, **Kelly** who drives back and forth between Buffalo, N.Y., and San Diego has a clear lead in driving! He clearly bests the **Herrons** who in the fall drove to New England to visit their son and his family and then to Indiana to see a sister. But the champion traveler of the class seems to be **Halsey Yates** who with **Kathleen** recently jumped off for New Zealand to visit with her relatives there.

It will give everyone a warm feeling about the heart to know that our **Eddie Markham** has a grandson and namesake in the Service. He is E.M.M. 3rd, Major, Infantry, and is now stationed in Germany.

Emily Cowan has given up her apartment in Washington at 3133 Conn. Ave. NW and gone to St. Davids, Pa., in order to be near her son **Jim** at 481 St. Davids Ave. **Mai Carter** and **Ethel Embick** continue on at 3133. The **John Longs** have recently moved from Baltimore to Washington and are now at the Idaho Terrace Apartments, 3040 Idaho Ave. NW.

Our classmate **Jesse Nichols** has gone to join his distinguished father, a Surgeon in Longstreet's Corps of the Confederate Army, which Corps, marching in the fall of '63 to join Bragg's Army, met head-on at Chickamauga Creek a brigade of Union Infantry armed with the then new repeating rifles and was held up for nearly a whole day. In that brigade was my father who, shot through the body, was carried from the field and that night, in a premature cold snap, was frozen to the ground in his own blood. **Jesse** came

to us from '98, a victim of a few indiscreet words with a tactical officer indiscreetly returning from New York with the furlough class on the good ship **Mary Powell**. He was an excellent scholar and his active and ingenious mind stood him in good stead in his long and successful career in the Ordnance Department, as well as in his hobby, which was flowers; for after his retirement he achieved international fame as a hybridizer of iris, developing new and finer varieties that won gold medals at many international shows.

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.

Kromer, after a summer in Northfield, is spending the winter with **Leon Jr.** in Slingsland, N.Y. (Box 322), and a bunch of dotting grandchildren. As always, he is cheerful, humorous and optimistic.

'02

F. D. Griffith Jr.
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Louisville 5, Ky.

The **Longleys** have left Cape Cod and are on their way to their home in Miami for the winter. They stopped in New Jersey for a family gathering with two of his brothers and their wives.

Frankenberger reports that his health continues to be appropriate to his age or perhaps a little better. He is afraid however that his traveling days are over.

Dinsmore has been hospitalized again but has improved somewhat so that he has been moved to a sanitarium. His present address is in care of the Leonard Sanitarium, 1240 Stewart Drive, Orange, Calif.

Mrs. Bell returned to America in September after a 3-month tour of Europe. In November, **Frank** celebrated his birthday with the assistance of **Mrs. Bell** who acted as mistress of ceremonies and his dance partner. **Frank** sets a rapid pace for the rest of the class:

The **Griffiths** spent 10 days in Washington in October, returning to Louisville by way of Asheville where they spent the week end with Army friends.

An airmail letter was received from **Pegram** who is still in Palma de Mallorca, Spain. He took his 10-year-old niece to Madrid for a visit and to show her the points of interest. He later flew to London for some new clothes and sightseeing. He says that **Walter Boswell's** son, **Jim**, is a military attaché in London with the rank of BG. **Pegram** is planning to return to the US in April.

'03

Dorsey R. Rodney
East Lansing, Mich.

Sep Winfree, who lives solo in a nice house in Golden Beach, Fla., is considerably irritated by reading how **Carl Sandburg** criticized **Eisenhower**. **Carl** was a candidate in 1899 with the Class of 1903 and failed to get in. He failed in English (and probably other subjects). **Sep** wants to make it a "class matter"—if you remember what that used to signify. He is eagerly looking forward to our 60th Reunion. Imagine people anticipating 60th Reunions! It shows what rugged folks those guys of 1903 are.

Baldy Schley writes from Washington that he sees **Max Tyler**, **George Cocheu** and **Clark Lynn** from time to time. They form a good nucleus of the class in our Nation's capital. The **Schleys** had the **Tylers** for dinner recently.

Rodney paid a hurried visit to Miami in November. He accompanied his daughter who was attending a meeting of biological chemists for **Parke Davis Co.** where she is a research chemist. While down there he dropped in to see **Sep Winfree**.

Dick Moore says, "No news, which for us means good news." Atta boy!

Trophy Bendel keeps plugging along. He says his memory is excellent, his spirits high

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but his physical condition weak. That fellow never gives up.

Turtle (who always signs himself Silurian) sure keeps busy. He and Maida recently attended a 2-day seminar on Americanism, which he says everyone should attend. He deplors the lack of patriotism of most of our citizens and how little they understand the dangers of communism. Of course he serves on the Board of the San Antonio Music Society. And recently they were at eight lectures on the Art of Ancient Egypt and Ancient Civilizations in Mesopotamia. Reading of these subjects either exhilarates one or makes him exhausted by even thinking of them.

Jake Wuest writes fully about his trip this last summer to Germany and his great love, Ems. He takes "the cure" there but does not explain "cure for what?" It must be for aridity, with that good Bavarian beer. He is now in his new home in Orlando, Fla., where he and **Pat Lynch** hobnob frequently.

Benny Ristine went to upstate New York in August and then to Crawfordsville for "renewal of youth with sisters and other kin."

Jane and Levi Brown write from St. Louis. Jane says that Kate, **Rube Taylor's** widow, is comfortably situated in University City, near St. Louis. The Browns have one son in the office of the Chief of Engineers and one as an instructor at West Point.

Colley writes that he visited relatives in Alberta, Canada, during July. He is an ardent football fan.

Louis Dice always sends his best regards to the members of the class. He says he is sorry he cannot look forward to being at our 60th Reunion.

Ulysses Grant has resigned his position as Chairman of the Civil War Centennial Commission, for personal reasons. He received a fine letter of appreciation from President Kennedy for his excellent work with the Commission.

John Franklin writes that he is well and that means a lot. He is an important hombre in his neck of the woods.

Allan Pope has had some hard luck. He was in the hospital for two months and the day he got out he fell and broke a hip. He is getting along fine and sounds like his old optimistic self.

'04

William Bryden
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Washington 8, D. C.

The Brydens recently went to Ft. Benning, Ga., to attend the wedding of their granddaughter, **Barbara Surles** (daughter of A. D. Surles, USMA 1937) and **Captain John F. Moran, Jr.**, US Army, on 23 September 1961. In conversation with Maj. Gen. **Ben Harrell** (USMA 1933), Commandant General of the Infantry Center and Commandant of the Infantry School there, he was asked if during his service he had known any of the Infantry members of the Class of 1904, for example:

Wilson, E. M.: "Yes, he was my regimental commander at one time."

Scott, W. R.: "Yes, he also was my regimental commander at one time."

Apparently the good work done by our dough-boys is being carried on.

Word has been received of the recent death at San Antonio, Tex., of **Mrs. H.J. Brees**, formerly the widow of **Dew 1904**.

Mrs. I. P. Swift, widow of **Swift 1904**, died at San Antonio, on 24 November 1961. She is survived by four married daughters.



Left to right Mettler '06, Gordon, Hobson, and Brown.

'06

Charles G. Mettler
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Augusta, Ga.

John T. Kennedy '08, wearing a ribbon of his Medal of Honor, came to see me in late November, to talk over the day when our **E.D. Smith** fired double common shell from his two Vickers-Maxim mountain guns into a cave on Patian Island, off the coast of Jolo, P.I.; and then, **John and Jingle Wilson '04** volunteered to go in, only to be met by **Jikiri's** barongs which nearly severed their heads. The medicos were quick enough to save them and **Jikiri** was killed with his gang. But, what a nice visit after 52 years; and what memories, when **Smith** and I served with **John**.

Henry Finch was in the east last June to see his sister but had to hurry home after passing by Asheville to see another friend. He and **Helen** are watching the six grandchildren of their family, children of their daughter, the first child of 1906, who lives nearby their **Claremont** home. All of them are in school except the little 4½-year-old, who is boss of the family. **Helen** is not so well but **Henry** rejoices over the atmosphere of his college town, **Claremont, Calif.** He says **Annelie Loving** is thriving nearby with family all well.

Bill and Ruth Akin are helping to build a new church near their beloved **Deerfield, Calif.**, home and are busy with church affairs weekly.

Mick Daley is celebrating the promotion of son **Jack** to Lt. Gen. and assignment to Deputy Comdr, CONARC, at Fort Monroe, after his return from G-3 at Heidelberg, Germany. **Jack's** son, 1st Lt. **J. M. Daley**, is off to Korea. **Capt. E.K. Daley, Jr.**, back from Germany after three years, is settled with their three children on ROTC duty in Detroit. He is **Mick's** son, **Koehler's** boy. And **Mick's** son, **Don**, is with the G.E. Company in Cleveland, a Lt. Col., Reserves, and has had service in Korea. I keep all the dope on these boys as they stayed in our house at West Point in other years and are really foster children to **Elizabeth** and me.

Max Elser and **Mary** are busy on their **Berryville, Ark.**, farm, renting out the pastures, attending the Masons, the church and the Grange and fishing two ponds and a creek stocked with bass and bluegills.

Edith and Earl McFarland drove down the Shenandoah Valley to **Randolph-Macon College** to see granddaughter, **Susan Cole Twitchell**, and to **Staunton Va.**, to see **Earl III**, a cadet at the M.A. there. They dropped in on **Louisa Booth** in **Roanoke**, too.

Tubby Loughry is out of **Walter Reed** and at home in **Chevy Chase** in somewhat better health, and needs a post card from you.

Josephine Johnson sold her pretty **Biltmore Forest** home through **Wogan's** daughter and is off to **Greenwich, Conn.**, where son **Bill** is a teacher of exceptional students in a special school.

A check with the Chamber of Commerce at **Buffalo, N.Y.**, reveals that **John Maul** has not been at the address given in the **Register** for several years and is presumed to have moved away permanently. Does anyone know?

Hap Pennell says he has been to **San Antonio** to see **Plupy Shute** and found him the same grand old guy he has known him to be all these years. **Hap and Norma** are living quietly in **Lawton, Okla.**

The photograph with this column shows, l. to r.: your scribe; **Elizabeth's** cousin, **Kilbourn Gordon**, well-known producer of the **Carabao** show in **Washington**, and grandson of **Lee's** favorite division commander; **Brig. Gen. Hobson**, the Comdr of **Ft. Gordon, Ga.**; and **Orton B. Brown** of **Berlin, N.H.**, the son-in-law of **Gen. Gordon**. The fort was named for the confederate commander and we made quite a fuss at the post. **Gen. Gordon** is one of **Georgia's** greats, having been its senator and its governor in reconstruction days and after. The cousins were on a visit to us here.

In the **MOWW**, **DeRussy Hoyle** has received a special award for his fine work for the Order and for his civic spirit and effort. Our congratulations are added to include another commendation for his conduct of the 55th Reunion, and his presentation of the cadet award for the Order at **West Point** last June.

And a nice letter came from **Sally Converse** (**George's** wife), from her **Walla Walla** home, saying son **George** and wife **Bernie** are with her after **George Jr.'s** retirement as Lt. Col. They may settle together in **Santa Barbara, Calif.** Son **Bo** and wife, boy 15, and girl 13, are at **McGuire AFB**, but she visited them in **Tripoli** and **Libya** a couple years ago. **Bo** is a

colonel in the Air Force. A nice adventure for Sally, what?

Late, late bulletin from Joe King! Harriet Smith doing well after double cataract operation, Charlotte King also recovering well, all eager for Christmas; Joe Green and Johnnie Merrill already wired for sound.

We did have a couple thrills at Phila., didn't we? This Monday morning quarterback, watching that right side of the Army line where Alex Gillespie and I used to be; but it is too late now.

Elizabeth and I are off to Miami mid-December to mid-January. Happy New Year to you-all.

'07

Hayden W. Wagner
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Newburgh, N. Y.

There always seems to be some member of the class wandering around abroad and this time it was Dan'l Boone. Enrique White received a letter from him from Athens as Dan'l remembered that Enrique had spent five months thereabouts three years ago. Dan'l had left Grace in Heidelberg while he started out to conquer the Near East. He looked up Dick Park and found him looking well and happy in his new Greek life. The Parks were taking Dan'l to see the Temple of Poseidon at Sounion some 40 miles s u heast along the coast from Athens. Dan'l expected to spend a few days in Cairo, Jerusalem, Beirut and other places of interest before returning to Athens and back to join Grace in Heidelberg. Just before the deadline for ASSEMBLY we received a postcard from Dan'l from Berlin which he and Grace had visited for three days. They had just toured East Berlin, half of which was still in ruins, though it was being slowly rebuilt, while West Berlin is like a wonderful new city.

Enrique White wrote that Charley Harris had been in Walter Reed but was convalescent and expected to go home soon. He reported that Gute looked well but had to take care of himself after his heart trouble a year ago. We have just learned of the death of Ida Lynn Gutensohn in Walter Reed Hospital after a long illness. We extend our deepest sympathy to Gute whose whole life during the past few years has been devoted to her care. Enrique said that Johnny Sullivan was looking quite fit but he, too, had his troubles; but Enrique asks, "Who at our time does not?" Ben Castle added that Johnny is still the man behind the gun with respect to the birthday cards. He takes the trouble to circulate them among the widely separated members of 1907 and gets their signatures. This was his original idea and is one of the most thoughtful things that has ever been done for the class.

Bob Glassburn wrote that in September he had been operated on for right lumbar sympathectomy and was just getting over a rather difficult and painful time of it. It had left him without much ambition but he was beginning to feel like himself again. He promised to write a more spirited letter when he had somewhat recovered his strength and composure.

Nan Crafton told of Bunny's difficulties and reported that he was now in a nursing home in Mason, Ohio, where he is receiving excellent care. She has given up their house and has taken an apartment with fewer household responsibilities. She can now drive to Mason and when Bunny feels equal to it, they have dinner together at a nearby inn.

Paul Larned received a letter from Bunny thanking him and the other members of the class who sent best wishes for his speedy recovery. Bunny felt that his improvement was due in no small part to the excellent care given him by his wife in addition to the attention which he has received from an excellent doctor and the members of the staff of the nursing home.

Paul Larned wrote that their trip to visit daughter Paula to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with her had been a very happy occasion. They spent a delightful week end at one of Vermont's famous Green Mountain ski resorts and when the big day arrived their second daughter with two of her children and a sister-in-law from Hartford arrived to help them celebrate. Paul said it was quite an assembly and greatly enjoyed by all. He reported that the Wymans were planning to return for the 55th Reunion but Charley was puzzled how they were to get to West Point. They will take a jet to New York but Charley wanted to know, "How do we go from there?" Marion has relatives all over the east and they will all want her to check in. Charley's relatives are scattered throughout the middle west and they will expect the same. We suggest that Charley consult Mr. Hertz.

J. B. Rose wrote that he hasn't any definite plans to return for the reunion but with the help of his son who is stationed at Otis AFB on Cape Cod, and who is returning for his 20th Reunion, J.B. will probably make it.

Last summer Bob Cheney was interviewed by a reporter from one of the San Antonio papers and was given quite a write-up. Bob regaled his interviewer with interesting incidents in his career and reminisced about the old days in the Horse Cavalry. His personal stationery reads "Col. Robert M. Cheney, Horse Cav. U.S.A. (Ret.)." Bob recently made a trip by air to his old home to Athens, Ga., and to his old stamping ground at Nogales and Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Bob was one of Goat Spencer's roommates during Goat's classical year at West Point. Judge Henry was the other—he came from Rome. Bob celebrated his 77th birthday in September and was pleasantly surprised by their daughter, an only child, who came on from Coronado to help celebrate.

We received a letter from Ray Hill confirming the reservations that he and Toot want for the 55th Reunion. He reported that Chief Rice was undecided about coming. The Hills had recently driven up to Denver for a visit with their daughter and her children. We are looking forward to seeing them in June.

Sandy and Omira Chilton visited Alex and his family on Whidbey Island in Puget Sound where he is in command of the Marine Detachment of the Naval Air Base at Oak Harbor. They had originally intended to go by car but with no chauffeur and the prospect of six days on the road going and coming they decided to fly. We quote from Sandy's letter: "Between San Francisco and Seattle, we went by jet, and I immediately decided that after a jet experience, all other forms of flying are merely pigging it. The Marine Detachment at Whidbey Island serves as internal security for the Naval Base. The land- and sea-based planes from the station serve as support for the domestic Pacific squadron, and patrol our northern waters clear out to the Aleutians. And do they work! Those young fliers are out day and night, in all sorts of weather—mostly bad. When I think of my service with troops, I have to realize

You know where You are, and
You know where We are, but
We don't always know where You are.
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that we served in a Golden Age, when the sacrifice which is a daily matter to these young men, seemed as remote as the Trojan War. The weather at the Base is something better left to the natives. Even Omira, who spent about three years across the Strait at Fort Worden when she was a girl, had to admit that the desert is better for the aches and pains of age. We had an anniversary while we were away—our 44th. We spent it with the children celebrating their 17th in Victoria, on Vancouver Island. Victoria is a magical holdover from another day. The town is slow-paced. The inhabitants go about on foot, you never hear an automobile horn, there is always a place to park, and the sales people are courteous. In short, you momentarily expect the Prince to arrive and awaken the Princess with an 1890 kiss. As for the Reunion, I begin to grow doubtful about going back for our 55th. I am rapidly losing the hearing in my left ear, and as yet have not learned to adjust to the resulting confusion. I expect to go to Beaumont and experiment with audiophones of some sort in the hope that I shan't lose contact with a very beautiful world of sound."

Ben Castle and Jimmy Collins accompanied by Virginia Collins and Suzie Glidden, Ben's granddaughter, with 10 other Washington enthusiasts made a golf safari to Scotland and Ireland in October. They played 15 times in 17 days, six in Scotland and seven in Ireland, on two of them twice. Ben wrote that the course at Muirfield on the Firth of Forth near Edinburgh, the two at Gleneagles and the one at Killarney were the most interesting and enjoyable. It was a safari in fact, but a most enjoyable one for all concerned.

'08

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The Sneads play a little golf everyday and are enjoying life at Pinehurst where they settled in 1946 at his retirement. However, Al does complain some about his yard work as their three boys have gone off to school and left their chores to him. Albert Lee, Jr., 18, is a Morehead scholar at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, N.C. John Ryman, 16, is attending Christ School in Arden, N.C., and has West Point on his mind. Their youngest, Charles Darwin, 14, also attends Christ School and is busy in all the activities of that age group. So the Sneads may well be proud of their three fine children.

The Muhlenbergs have now been five years on their 22-acre ranch located on the edge of the village of Joshua Tree near the Joshua Tree National Monument in the High Joshua Desert of southern California. Harry is planning to retire in the near future as President of the Joshua Tree Community Association making this his third retirement, first from the Air Force and second from the commercial growing of avocados at Vista, Calif. Lt. Col. David Muhlenberg, Air Force, the older of their two sons is at present on duty with Reserve units at Decatur, Ill. Their

younger son, John, Class of 1939, Annapolis, is working for Stone and Webster in Kingston, Jamaica. Brent, John's son, is in the Naval Air Training School at Memphis, Tenn., making the fourth generation in the services.

Congratulations and all good wishes to the **Merediths** who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1961. The **Averys** have been in Washington for several months at the Westchester and recently bought an apartment there. They plan to return to Carmel, Calif., for a few months to dispose of their house and then move to Washington permanently.

Chirp, the quarterly news medium of the Early Birds, reports that **Jack Curry** was made 2d Vice President of that organization at the Convention in San Diego in August. In October Jack and Eleanor spent a week in New York City and then five days at Lake Valhalla, N.J., with their daughter Sheila (Mrs. Duane DeKalb) and her family who live there.

We are sorry to report the death of our classmate **John Randolph Peyton** at Jacksonville, Fla., on 7 October 1961. During our last year at West Point, Peyton was ill for some months and did not graduate. However, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1909 and placed on the retired list for disability. He served for 43 years as Civil Engineer with the US Engineer office at Jacksonville in positions of great responsibility and was an expert on dredging. He attended our 45th and 50th reunions. We had class flowers at his funeral and at the burial in Oak Lawn Cemetery, Jacksonville. Mrs. Peyton wrote a very fine letter of appreciation to the class. (Obit in this issue.—Ed.)

We have just read "Vanished Arizona" by Martha Summerhayes, published in 1908. It is the story of the experiences of an Army wife at our Western posts from 1875 to 1900. You will find it very interesting and easy to read. **Dougherty, Ellis, and Schulz** attended the Army-Navy game. **Dougherty**, now a great grandfather, was accompanied by two grandsons and their wives. He continues his custom of walking six miles every day before breakfast.

At our annual dinner and meeting in February, we expect a new slate; so thanks and appreciation to all who have helped with news items making our class ASSEMBLY notes possible.

'09

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Bob Eichelberger died on 26 September in a hospital at Asheville, N.C., after undergoing exploratory surgery. The funeral was held at Memorial Methodist Church in Asheville and burial services at Arlington National Cemetery, in the presence of a large number of military and civilian friends. Surviving are his wife Emma ("Miss Em"), a sister in New York City, and a brother (Fred) of Beverly Hills, Calif. Miss Em, who is living at 8 Fairway Place, Asheville, wishes to thank 1909 for "the beautiful floral tributes—the wreath of bronze chrysanthemums here in Asheville and the arrangement of carnations at Arlington. These expressions of esteem and affection for Bob touched me deeply."

Johnny (Ronald D.) Johnson died on 27 November from a heart attack 10 days earlier. He had suffered from a cardiac ailment for several years but never lost courage or faltered in his interest in class affairs. The services at Arlington Cemetery were attended

by classmates living in the Washington area. He is survived by his wife Camille, two sons, a daughter, and two stepchildren.

Stanley Rumbough died 16 December in Doctors' Hospital, New York City. He had recently retired on account of failing health from board chairmanship of the White Metal Manufacturing Company, of which he had been an officer for many years. He is survived by his widow, the former Elizabeth Colgate; a daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Van Norden; a son, Stanley M. Jr.; and five grandchildren. The funeral services in New York and the graveside service at Arlington Cemetery were attended by classmates living in those areas. Stanley was always most loyal to his Alma Mater and generous in his support of our reunions and other class projects.

Monte J. Hickok, Jr. (elder son of our **Monte and Louisa**) died on 19 October at Queen's Hospital, Honolulu. He had been a member of the Punahou School faculty for several years.

Bill Simpson, one of '09's two surviving four-star generals, has been elected Arkansas State Commander of the Military Order of the World Wars.

Red Gee and **Kathleen** have moved to 1208 Southview Drive, Erie, Pa., to live with their elder, and unmarried, son **Stuart**, who is with the GE Company. The Gees now count at least eleven grandchildren. **Kathleen's** widowed sister, **Mrs. Rita Gallagher**, makes her home with them.

Hunter Lee McDowell, son of **Wilhelmina McDowell** by her previous marriage, and adopted son of our **John**, married **Miss Olive Bramhall** at Hopedale, Mass., on 14 October.

'10

Robert H. Dunlop
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It is indeed with great sadness that I must report the deaths of two classmates, **Doc Welty** and **Jo-Jo Carberry**. **Doc** passed away on 24 September at the Veterans' Administration Hospital, Waco, Tex., where he had been ill for a long period. Funeral services were at the Fort Myer Chapel and burial in Arlington National Cemetery. Eight of his classmates in the Washington area were the honorary pallbearers. **Doc** was one of our outstanding infantrymen with a fine record of service.

Jo-Jo Carberry died 12 November at a convalescent home in Alhambra, near Los Angeles, Calif. His remains were cremated and his ashes scattered by airplane far out in the Pacific as he had requested. **Jo-Jo** was one of 24 men selected in 1913 to serve as aviators with the Aviation Section of the Army Signal Corps. In 1916 he piloted a plane with Gen. John J. Pershing's expedition into Mexico. He also was the holder in 1915 of the Army altitude record of 11,690 feet. A very great flyer and soldier.

Our class president, **Fritz Strong**, and **Marjorie** came east from Orchard Lake, Mich., to be with us in Washington for our October luncheon. They stayed several days and had a good time with old friends. If the Michigan winter gets too severe, they may go to Florida briefly and stop in Washington on the return trip.

Fred Carrithers writes from Manitou Springs, Colo., that his wife, **Gertrude** is on an extended trip from Los Angeles through the Panama Canal and thence around South America, returning to Los Angeles about mid-January. **Fred** didn't go. He says he is a poor sailor and shuns sea travel as much as pos-

sible. He remarks that with a brotner in '03, a nephew in '30, another in '52 and another in '22, plus a son of a nephew in '52, he looks at more than the 1910 news in ASSEMBLY.

It is interesting to report the superlative ability of one of our class girls, **Pappy Selleck's** wife **Gertrude**, to win prizes in the puzzle contests appearing in newspapers and periodicals. Over a number of years she has won almost every kind of prize offered, from electric or gas ranges, washing machines and television sets to trips and automobiles. Of the latter she has won four, including two Pontiacs this past summer. She is certainly to be congratulated.

A nice letter came the other day from **Emily Barr**, **Bob's** widow. She and her daughter **Virginia** are moving from Independence, Mo., to a new home 14 miles away: 405 South 21st Street, Blue Springs, Mo.

Carey Brown writes interestingly from Rebel Hill Farm at Scottsville, N.Y. He says all goes well there. He and **Darryle** enjoyed a trip to New York recently. A short time ago **Carey** was elected Vice-President, Zone I, American Society of Civil Engineers. (Zone I consists of New York State, New England, and northern New Jersey.) Also in the engineering field, the University of Rochester Chapter of Tau Beta Pi has honored him by election to this engineering honor society.

Duck Reinhardt writes from San Antonio that he and **Laura** are very well and sailing the crest of the wave. They report a delightful trip last fall to Vancouver, B.C., where they visited their daughter **Ann** and her family who are all well and prospering. This trip was postponed for almost two months on account of **Laura** having a bad fall. She was in a wheel chair for some weeks.

Jack and Ella Heard returned to their winter home in San Antonio in early October. They and their big family are well indeed and they enjoyed the summer very much at Silver Lake, N.H., where they water-skied and power-boated and climbed Mt. Chocorua, some 3,600 feet up.

Again **Sam Edelman** managed the very successful dinner-dance for the Corps of Cadets and their friends at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel in Philadelphia after the Navy game. This is **Sam's** 17th year of doing this fine thing for the cadets, which is truly remarkable.

'11

Harold F. Nichols
36 Lagoon Road
Belvedere, Calif.

At the end of June, a special report on the reunion was sent to all absentees who are not subscribers to ASSEMBLY. One of the many replies was from Col. Paul S. Reinecke, Jr., Chief of Staff at Fort Jackson, S.C. He wrote that Paul III, now 18 and just graduated from high school, had taken and passed all required examinations for West Point but was still working for an appointment. He entered the citadel this fall. With his father, we all hope for that appointment to the Class of 1966.

Ray Peterson, 12th attorney of 33 on the letter head of Blackwell, Walker and Gray in Miami, noted that his roommate **Haig Shekerjian** had been present at the reunion and greatly regretted that he and his **Harriet** could not attend. **Elise Bowley**, writing from Spartanburg, S.C., was most appreciative of the class visit to the West Point Cemetery on 6 June. **Bessie Orrell**, who had hoped but had been unable to attend, will spend

the winter in Switzerland where her granddaughter will go to the University of Lausanne. Appreciative letters were received from **Hazel Wier**, **Mary Byrne Simpson**, **Everett Birely**, and **Esther Reinecke**, the last expressing her thanks for the class thought of **Paul Reinecke**. Esther also reports a new address: 1243 Garfield Street, Topeka, Kan.

Other new addresses are **Alice Baxter**, 34 Olcott Dr., Manchester, Conn.; **Harriett Calley**, 4528 Kolohala St., Honolulu; **John Churchill**, Berkeley Apts., 2910 So. Glebe Rd., Arlington, Va.; **Mildred Farris**, 1118 Oak St., Conway, Ark.; **John M. Thompson**, 325-2 Pope Ave., Ft. Leavenworth; **Elizabeth Keeley** 1111 Jungle Ave., St. Petersburg 10, Fla.

With many others, **Kitty** and **Harry Kutz** were deeply disappointed to miss the reunion on which they had long planned. Harry in late August wrote that both cataract operations had healed perfectly but that retina damage precluded recovery of full sight. However, in the side yard he was working on his golf swing and hoped shortly to be able to play, both for the exercise and the companionship.

Word has come from Augusta, Me., of the death there on 26 May last of **Esther E. Kimball**, widow of our classmate **Frederick G. Kimball**, who died in 1952. All who attended the reunion in June will be greatly saddened to learn of the sudden death by heart failure in Selinsgrove of **Franklin Kemble's** kindly and understanding friend, **Dr. Arthur H. Wilson**. He had driven **Kem** to the reunion, was his and our welcomed guest, and, as an honorary member of 1911, had entered fully and most appreciatively into all of the reunion activities.

The last of September found 1911 saddened by the loss of two classmates. **Mike Murray**, after long treatment at **Munson Army Hospital** at Ft. Leavenworth for a hip injury, died of pneumonia on 23 September. Burial was at the National Cemetery there. The deep sympathy of the class goes to **Lucille**, who still lives at the Kansas City address given in the last class List. **Jack Homer**, whose presence at the reunion was so enjoyed by the group there, passed away of leukemia in Chicago on 27 September. He had been hospitalized for some weeks but continued daily his duties as Director of Civil Defense for Illinois. Governor **Kerner**, who appointed **Jack** to that post last January, called his death a severe loss to the people of Illinois. Burial was at West Point beside his beloved wife, **Olive**, who had preceded him by two years, **Jim** and **Edith Burt** representing the class. Two sisters, **Kate Homer** and **Mrs. Helen Homer Ryan**, reside in **Carlinville, Ill.**

Following the reunion, **Tommy Thompson** went fish-cruising on the Chesapeake in the yacht of his brother-in-law, **Adm. Benson**, then to Arkansas for small-mouth bass and to Oregon for steelheads. In the Washington area, the **Bradfords** and **Whealers** summered at **Bethany Beach**, while the **Blunts** put in much time on the Bay in their well-equipped and well-stocked boat; **Marguerite** and **Bill Morris** took off for Europe, while **Howell Estes** and **Joe Mehaffey** stayed quietly at home.

Elizabeth Keeley writes of her new home now building in **St. Petersburg, Fla.**, near that of her sister whose husband, **Colonel Charles Smith Caffery**, USMA 1905, passed away in August. **Elizabeth** has recently finished moving to a new location some 3,000 orchids which she raises.

Belated sympathy goes to **Billy** and **Louise Wyche**, the latter's mother having passed

away in June, her illness having made it impossible for **Louise** to be at West Point. When **Louise** wrote, their daughter **Betsy** and husband and two older children were at the beach, while the grandparents baby-sat with the 2½-year-old twins at **Southern Pines**.

After several years of doing the scribe work for the Washington group, **Jim Mooney** has requested relief for personal reasons. We are all deeply grateful to **Jim** for his faithful attention to all class matters. To date, **Speck** is taking over **Jim's** task.

Crawford wrote that on his return to Auburn many old-timers looked him up for news of **Johnnie Hatch** and **Mildred Franke**, both **Hatch** and **Gus Franke** having been PMS&T at Auburn. **Jimmie** had recently been honored by being named to the Military Advisory Committee to the Board of the Alabama Hall of Fame. His **Margaret**, in October, was visiting her mother, **Mrs. Gordon**, in **Woodland, California**, and was in contact with the Bay Area group.

The class is proud of our classmate's son, **Colonel Glover S. Johns, Jr.**, who commanded the 1,500 American troops sent into Berlin last August. His picture was in the press and magazines across the country. He had been on duty with air-borne troops in **Mannheim**.

Ike Spalding from **San Antonio** writes sentimentally to **Speck** of his daily retreat formation with the gold-embroidered flag given him by the Army and a music box that plays West Point melodies, sent from Germany by his daughter **Ann**.

The classmates of **Alexander Day Surles** congratulate his granddaughter, **Barbara**, daughter of **Brig. Gen. A. D. Surles, Jr.**, on her marriage on 23 September at Ft. Benning to **Capt. John Francis Moran, Jr.**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Moran of Stoneham, Mass.**

John Beatty, who has been re-retired from everything since 1956, spent the following year with **Jean** in Europe and England, wintering in **Majorca**. In 1958, in their **Fiat**, they left their daughter and grandchildren in **Weston, Mass.**, for a drive west that finally found them comfortably settled in **Seaside, Ore.** **John, Jr.**, with **John III, 13**, and **Jean, 8**, lives in **Portland**, where he has a law office.

Artie Conard left **San Francisco** by air on 3 October en route to the Orient with his daughter **Kathleen**, and her husband, **Colonel Rex Heinlein**.

Gerry Stanton, en route to the South Seas, was briefly in **San Francisco** 1 November, hoping to check in with the Bay Area group on her return.

Among her other activities in the Washington area, **Virginia Wheeler** carries on the duties of Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Army Distaff Foundation.

In late October came a cheery letter from **Pink Hardy**, he and **Charlotte** at their lovely and restful "Scarlet Gate" near **Ft. Huachuca**, of which **Pink** was formerly post commander.

'12

Robert M. Littlejohn
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Washington, D. C.

One hundred and fifty days till June, **Suh**. Then 1912 will have its biggest and best reunion—our 50th. Current indications are that attendance will exceed 50 classmates and class ladies. Final circular will come out on this in February 1962.

This is my swan song as your class president. I have been happy to serve this gang. At times the going has been rough.

We are running way behind the mortality

table I asked the Army Mutual Aid to make for us, for planning and financial reasons. The answer I am sure is that we are the stubbornest, orneriest, kindest and most lovable bunch of old coots ever assembled in one class. I love 'em.

In 10 years of active service at West Point, I became well acquainted with the very serious housing problem. At one time we had 13 cadet girls in our home—in a converted-dormitory on the third floor. No other place for them to stay. The situation is even worse now with the larger classes. On a visit we were thrown out of the Thayer at noon on Friday to make room for cadet girls and families.

West Point needs a number of things for which funds are not available. Top of the list is a modern Alumni House, such as Navy, Princeton, Smith and many other colleges have.

Gen. Westmoreland, the new Supe, has developed an efficient and somewhat painless system to raise funds for essential activities not provided for by Congress.

Before I bow out I will appoint a committee to study the question of an Alumni House and plans to raise a nest egg therefor, in the hope that the fund will grow and grow. The nest egg to be a memorial to the great Class of 1912.

As the Filipino says, "Adios Po."

'14

John Carruth
241 Claywell Drive
San Antonio 9, Tex.

Skimp Brand has sent me some information about **Juan Torroella**. He and **Graciella** are now visiting one of **Graciella's** sisters. Their address is: c/o **Mrs. Thomas Ransdell**, 803 Davis St., **Jacksonville, N.C.** They have three sons: **Juan Jr.**, living in **New York**; **Louis**, in prison in **Cuba**, awaiting trial; and **Mario**, the youngest, in school in this country. **Juan** is a **Cornell** graduate in **Civil Engineering**, and is seeking employment in engineering. Perhaps one of you can help him do so.

Charlie and **Ella Gross** are making another visit to this country. Also, **Ralph** and **Agnes Royce** made a trip to **New York** in September and they planned to take in one or two Army football games. They returned home via **Andrews AFB** for **Ralph's** annual check-up, and this enabled them to attend a special class dinner in **Washington** for **Charlie** and **Ella Gross** on 25 October. Nine classmates were present: **Gross**, **Royce**, **Brand**, **Hannum**, **Hoge**, **Holcombe**, **Loomis**, **Paschal** and **Spaatz**. Also, seven wives were present to have dinner together: **Ella Gross**, **Agnes Royce**, **Emily Brand**, **Helen Paschal**, **Ruth Spaatz**, **Susan Byron**, and **Nina Thompson**.

The **Brands** have decided to give up the idea of moving to **Florida**, and will remain at 4000 **Cathedral Ave.** in **Washington** where they own their apartment. They made a trip to **New York** state in October to visit relatives and do some sight-seeing.

Classmates in **San Antonio** had lunch and saw the Army-Navy game on TV, as guests of a close friend, **Miss Budlong**. The game was a disappointment of course, but otherwise we enjoyed ourselves. **Evelyn Downs** had a dinner for classmates on 29 November. She will fly to **Mexico City** in mid-December to spend about a month with her elder daughter, **Kay**, whose husband is the senior military attaché. The other daughter of **Evelyn**, **Mary Beth**, will join them for the holiday season flying to **Mexico City** from **Berkeley, Calif.**

Muriel Thurber writes that she will be at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel in Honolulu from 4 December to 20 April.

Sorry to have to report that Jim Byrom is in the Millhaven Hospital in Arcadia, and Louise is living near him. Her address is: St. Luke's Manor, 111 N. Mountain Ave., Monrovia, Calif. They have given up their San Francisco apartment.

I was glad to hear from Loomis that he is now free from the severe headaches he had for so long.

As you see, I have received very little news to report. Please drop me a line whenever you have class news so I can include it in our class letter. Season's greetings to all.

'15

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First I'd like to congratulate the Editor of this excellent magazine on the new format for class notes. The large numerals denoting the classes and the heavy type for names makes reading the notes much easier and more pleasurable.

Oiseau King is back from his extended European trip looking more chipper than when he left. He had two serious operations while in the Army Hospital in Munich, Germany, and for a while he says he had a good close look at the old man with the scythe; but fortunately Oiseau foxed the old man. He belongs to that category best described as "a small potato but hard to peel." Nice going Oiseau!

Woody Woodruff writing, he says, on an illiterate typewriter, reports that the Leonards returned home but did *not* break the bank at Las Vegas. Bob Strong says they had dinner with him and Midge when they passed through Tucson. My guess is that a free meal was most welcome by then. Woody goes on to write on that same typewriter: "Ike paid a political visit to San Antonio early in November. He had his 1915 classmates in the area to a cocktail party. The politicians had set up a full schedule for him but he added three other appearances, and when we saw him at the close of his visit he was bubbling over as of old. He is an amazing chap. He mentioned that for the month of September alone he had requests for 250 appearances not including those in the immediate vicinity of Gettysburg."

Earl Price announced the marriage of his daughter Kathleen "who", says Earl "is so beautiful you would never suspect we are related." (No comment.—JBW) The letter is written on Earl's business letterhead which sports at its top the drawing of a birch-bark canoe with two guys paddling like mad. Both bear a faint resemblance to Earl with a handlebar moustache. The one in the bow is a brunette, the one in the stern a blond (an easy metamorphosis in these days of cosmetics). On the side of the canoe in large red capitals is written, "PRICE PRINTS PRONTO," which some of you will easily recognize as the best 28th section Spanish. Earl reports that Melberg and Hubbard are well. "The latter," opines Price, "lean as they come, is good for another century," which would indubitably make him the oldest of oldest living graduates!

Ralph Cousins of Beverly Hills, Calif., finally broke the sound barrier and is now communicado. Ralph is in good health and quite busy in many things. Among them he is Vice President in charge of the Western

Division of the American Travelers Life Insurance Company of Indianapolis, and "Business Advisor" for the president and principal owner of the Future-Craft Corporation, El Monte, Calif., which manufactures component parts for rockets and missiles. Nice going, Ralph, I hope you escaped damage by the recent fire.

Freddy Boye attended the West Point Society lunch in Washington, "which", says Fritz, "was a jolly affair." 1914 and 1915 shared a table and were about halfway down on the seniority list of those present. The oldest member was from the Class of 1889. Jet-propelled Dutch Aurand was there from Hawaii, and drove to Warrenton to address the Rotary Club of which Boye is president.

The Boyes had a pleasurable trip down the East Coast and up the West Coast of Florida. Says Fred: "We saw the Hanleys who live in a beautiful new house in Boca Raton with everything wall-to-wall; the Shorty McDonalds who have a magnificent residence at Pompano Beach—more wall-to-wall and fine swimming pool on their back porch plus a power boat anchored close by. At Sarasota we saw Eleanor and Ned Zundel. Eleanor is not too well but Ned makes the best of doing what he damned well pleases." Apparently the Floridians are prospering.

Bill Boots just returned from a 3-month tour of Iceland, Lapland, Russia, and Europe. For the greater part of the last two years, Bill has been traveling around South America, the Caribbean, Africa, and Europe.

The Hume Peabodys are now ensconced in Chaptico, Md. (wherever that is). It appears that along with their new place, the Peabodys acquired a fine Little League diamond complete with team, the Peabody Chaptico Tigers. And waddayano? The Tigers won the Lion's Club Pennant. Says Hume, "There's absolutely no foundation to the rumor that a deal is cooking whereby my franchise will be traded for the Washington Senators. I'm not that dumb."

Celebrating the completion of his do-it-yourself remodeling projects, Hume repaired to the local grocery store to buy beer. Descending the store's stairs with a 6-can package in each hand, he tripped, fell and sprained his ankle. This should be a lesson to you beer drinkers. Are you drinking more these days and enjoying it less? Then drink bourbon. You can carry less for more effect.

Here's a gem from Stringfellow:

"Who's gonna mo' those acres fo'
If Peabody ain't gonna mo' no mo' ?
(signed:) Perlmutter
A voider-in-chief of mo'-in'"

Tom Larkin writes: "My work in charge of the Transportation Studies is proceeding on schedule. We expect to finish by the end of the year. It has been a most interesting work. Mary and I plan to leave here about 1 February flying back to the US but stopping at Santiago, Chile; Lima, Peru; Quito, Ecuador; Guatemala, and Mexico. Should be back in D.C. about 1 March."

Jody Haw has been appointed to the class Historical Committee vice Waldron. He is very anxious to get the address of Mrs. Chew Williams for the biographical sketch of our deceased classmate. He would appreciate information on this and on Brady, one of our "lost" classmates. Any leads should be sent to Det Ellis who will follow through. Thanks.

Charlie and Elizabeth Busbee attended the Army-Oklahoma game in New York. Charlie was not impressed with the Army team. I'm sure after 2 December he is still less so.

The only classmates in evidence were Small and Gene Leone.

ITCHY FEET DEPARTMENT

1. Betty Rossell sailed for Europe in October and will visit her son Col. John E. Rossell Jr., USMA '41, in Heidelberg, Germany.

2. On their last trip to the far West the Doug Wearts visited their oldest grandson—yes, I said grandson—in his third year at the Air Force Academy. Move over, Methuselah!

3. The Squire Taylors were in D.C. in October visiting their youngest daughter who presented them with another grandson. This makes nine grandchildren for the Taylors. Each of their three daughters has three children.

4. Marguerite Gilkeson is in England visiting her Air Force son and family now on duty in England.

5. Rosa May Harmon left San Antonio in November for her childhood home in Wyoming. She lost her mother in the summer.

6. Jack Davis, Blister Evans, Dutch Hess, and Bill Tompkins traveled to West Point for Homecoming Day. Jack reports a wonderful trip; and easy. Blister, he says, is a professional chauffeur; and Bill, a qualified bursar, handled the pooled resources. Everybody lost money except the bursar. The parade was as keen as the ones we used to put on ourselves. (A high compliment.)

7. The Philip McNairs bought a little place in Brownsville, Tex., 904 Boca Chica Boulevard, and will live there till they move again.

8. Correction: The Hockers did not make the trip announced in the last REPORT. Eleanor accidentally fell a few days before they were due to leave and broke her left arm. Too bad.

9. The Wogans went to Washington in early October to be with their son Jack (USMA '49) who flew there from Denver on business. While there they saw several classmates. Had "tea" at the Evans' and received a report of the trip described in paragraph 6, Itchy Feet Department. Jack Davis told the story about Bill Tompkins who as a cadet company commander, once turned out for a review and found out that while his dress was impeccable, he had forgotten to put his saber in its scabbard. However, he completed the whole ceremony and went through all the motions barehanded. "F Company Present or Accounted for. Eyes Right, etc." Even his own Tac who was O.C. never noticed the absence of the saber. Boy! these Engineers sure got away with murder.

On their way back to the Land of the Sky the Wogans spent the night with Betty and Bill Tompkins in Richmond, and with the Bill Wyches (USMA '11) in Pinehurst where they saw the Duke Millers. All classmates looked fine. Duke says that Laura Lee Menoher still lives in Pinehurst and is a frequent medalist in golf tournaments.

10. Betty and Bill Tompkins spent Thanksgiving week end with the Wogans in Asheville, N.C.

Leo Walton died 7 September of a heart attack. He was buried with full military honors in Arlington National Cemetery. He leaves a son, Spencer Walton of Bernardsville, N.J.; a daughter Mrs. Bent Groene, of Orlando, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Frances Mills wrote that Bob, Benny's youngest son, met a tragic death in October. He was smoking in bed, went to sleep and burned to death. He left a wife and four children. Bob was a West Point graduate, resigned as a major, and was in the real estate business in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Belatedly the information has reached your

scribe that **Joseph M. Murphy** died last January. He was a patient in the V.A. Hospital in Kansas City. He is buried in Mount Muncie, Leavenworth, Kan. The class extends sympathy to all survivors.

Thought for the day: Use your head. It's the little things that count.

Adios Amigos.

(Col. Ellis has asked me to include this change of address:

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Route 1, Box 327
Carmel, Calif. —Ed.)

'16

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Two out-of-town classmates, **Dick Birmingham** and **Bob McCullough**, blew into Washington just in time for the regular November class luncheon. Bob was on a short business trip but Dick and Elizabeth had come to attend the wedding of a relative and were so swamped with engagements that the Washington group could not give them a welcoming party. The **Bill Spences** are planning to visit their daughter at Fort Monroe, then take in the Navy game, stopping to see the Washington group coming or returning.

The **Scotts**, who spent 5 months traveling all over Europe, had barely reopened their house near Fort Belvoir, Va., when they hit the road again to visit their son in Texas. The **Millers**, who spent 2 months in Hawaii, returned to San Antonio in late November. They say they ran across the **Shuggs** in Honolulu. The **Shuggs** were passing through on a trip to Japan. The **Weyands** are back in Cornwall after summering abroad. They spent most of their time in England and Scotland. Their son is stationed not far from London. **Parker** and **Margaret Kuhn**, after summering in Maine, returned to their home in Westchester County, N.Y., in September. En route they stopped by to see the **Moses** at Sandwich, New Hampshire. The **Kuhns**, **Pricketts** and **Blisses** were at West Point during Homecoming week end.

Horace McBride has returned home to Orlando, Fla., after quite a siege in Walter Reed Hospital last summer. **Bill Hoge**, after the reunion last June spent the early summer clearing out and disposing of his old family home in Missouri, transferring everything to his present home in Cleveland. Then he took off for a fishing trip in Canada. He says he caught all the fish anyone was willing to cook. **Warner Carr's** widow, who settled in San Antonio early this year, is reported to have undergone an operation. **Doug Page's** wife, **Alma**, had the misfortune to fall and break two vertebrae. After 6 weeks in the hospital she returned to their home in San Antonio in mid-November.

We have been shocked by some sad news. **Pat Flanigen's** wife, **Martha**, passed away at their home in Athens, Ga., on 2 October. Pat has been on the teaching staff of the University of Georgia and will remain in Athens.

On 2 November **Bill Shipp** was thrown from his horse while foxhunting with a hunt club near Front Royal, Va. Bill was fatally injured and died in the hospital that same evening. He was buried in Arlington Cemetery. Washington classmates served as pall bearers.

On 28 October **Eddie Shaifer**, ex-cadet of our class, died at Laredo, Tex., after a prolonged illness and was buried in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

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'17

Harold R. Jackson
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Alexandria, Va.

On 20 November 21 classmates, wives, and widows gathered at Ft. McNair for a pleasant luncheon and "gab-fest." Our hard-working president, **Kewp Yuill**, reported that plans for our 45th Reunion are in good shape.

Last summer **Gay Yuill** and daughter **Julia** drove to Texas for a month's visit with **Gay's** family and friends and with **Charles W. Yuill, Jr.**, and his bride of one year.

The class will be glad to have news of **Emilie** and **Warfield Lewis**—the first in a long time. Incidentally, we'd like to hear from many others of you. **Warfield** has had to take it pretty easy the past couple of years because of a series of hernia operations, but hopes that he now has had the last of them. He and **Emilie**, "though they can't compete with **Henly Frier**, feel that they have done pretty well" in having 16 grandchildren. Three of their daughters are married and live nearby; and all three with their families, including eight of the grandchildren, had Thanksgiving dinner with **Emilie** and **Warfield**. **Warfield Jr.**, USMA '56, now a captain in the Ordnance, is stationed at Redstone Arsenal and is very much interested in the missile game. He makes frequent trips to Canaveral and made one trip to California, visiting plants having contracts for missile work. He and his wife have a 3-year-old son, **Warfield III**, and a daughter, **Laura**. **Warfield Jr.** was originally in the Infantry and with the 101st Div. Last June he finished a 2-year course at Purdue and received his MS in Engineering. **Emilie** and **Warfield's** other daughter is married to an Air Force officer, now stationed at Grand Forks, N.D. They have six children. Last summer all five families were at Santa Ana, Calif., for a family get-together.

Gladys and **Joe Collins** were in Honolulu in September for the 25th Div Reunion. They stayed at Ft. DeRussy, and when they arrived they found **Jeanette** and **Jack Jackson** already there. The foursome had many good times together. In December **Joe** spent 10 days on business in Portugal, Spain, Egypt, and West Germany, and spent a pleasant week-end in Mainz, Germany, with son **Jerry (Joe Jr.)** and his wife, **Caroline**.

After **Jeanette** and **Jack Jackson** visited Honolulu this fall, they toured California and Arizona (Grand Canyon), visited daughter **Jeanne** and her family in Ames, Iowa, **Jack's** family in Chicago, and son **Page** and his family in St. Petersburg, Fla. **Page** is now Assistant Pinellas County Attorney, with office in Clearwater. In San Francisco they had a fine visit with **Evelyn** and **Spec Irwin** and another with **Ida** and **Paul Brown**. In Florida they had an enjoyable afternoon with **Jean** and **Jas Stewart** (**Jean** and **Jeanette** were girlhood friends) and another with **Katherine** and **Willis Teale**, who reported that they have a new grandson out in Honolulu, born to **Willis Jr. (Bill)** and his wife. When **Jeanette** and **Jack** called, **Doc Johnson** was away, but they had a pleasant visit with **Bertha**. All the classmates encountered "looked good."

Jeanette and **Jack**, too, have a new grandson, **Carl Harold**, born 23 October to son **Bob** and his wife in Rockville, Md., where **Bob** is now Assistant Director in the Montgomery County school system.

Emily Tully spent Christmas with her son **Jim** and his family in Evanston, Ill., then went on to visit friends in California.

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Otto Jank will be with us only in our memories when we assemble next June Week for our 45th Reunion; he died suddenly of a coronary occlusion on 2 December. He had been in excellent health and had planned a trip to Europe later that month. **Ruth** tells us they were watching television when, all at once, he just leaned forward and died. May God comfort and bless her.

That was an especially bad week end, for **Burnett Olmsted (Apr '17)** had died just as suddenly the preceding day. Both funerals were held on the same day and, of all who wished to attend both, only **Dorothy** and **Prentiss Huff** were able to do so.

Bill Chapman gave us all a bad scare a little later; he suffered a coronary thrombosis on 17 September. **Willie Wilson**, **Jack Bissell**, **Arthur Weeks**, and **Anne Williamson** all rallied round; **Bob Bringham** phoned from Santa Monica; and letters came from **Emily Bingham**, **Pablo Cole**, **Taylor de Camp**, **Red Durfee**, **Biff Jones**, and **Ken Moore**, to name a few.

Then, one big day, the door opened and there were **Jack** and **Mary Knight**, who had driven 250 miles out of their way for a 5 minute visit. They were on their way to visit **Brother Offie (1918)** in Oregon. Ten days later, they stopped again, with their pretty **Edith**, on their way back to New Orleans.

Bill wrote us a long letter on 17 October and the doctors let him go home the next day. He is taking things easy now, avoiding controversy, and losing weight; his goal is 190 pounds ("Oh, me!"), followed by the Triennial Meeting of the Society of the Cincinnati in Baltimore next spring and our 45th Reunion at Ol' West Point.

Commenting on the ASSEMBLY item on **Lew Griffith's** grandfather, **John T. Greble (1854)**, he spoke of a Government color print of **Burr Parker's** father, **John Henry (Gatling Gun) Parker (1892)**, whom he remembers as living next door at the Presidio of Monterey back in 1906-07 when **Burr**, **Sydney Graves (1915)**, **Monk Lewis (1913)**, **Charlie Gerhardt (April 1917)**, **Brother Hank (April 1917)**, and **Bill** were all Army kids together; those were the good old days.

Jack Knight's trip to Oregon and other places followed a chain of circumstances including our own "It's later than you think" note in a recent class bulletin. That, with building business pressure and no vacation since he visited Washington with **Mary** for a class luncheon several years ago, was too much; he greased up the Pontiac, took a month off, and headed west.

7,887 miles later, after visiting two retired brothers and a sister, calling on **Bill Chapman** in the hospital, and a surprise encounter with **Harry** and **Harriett Rising** in Colorado Springs, they returned home to find son **Jack III**, an Airborne Artillery lieutenant colonel, with his wife and **Jack IV**, newly returned from Europe. At the same time, son **Bill's** (named for **Bill Chapman**) small daughter was down with the measles and then **Bill** got them too. Well, things have quieted down some now.

Jimmy Hea took a trip too; he drove out to Illinois in October to inspect some grandchildren and then headed for Mexico where he hoped to see **El Señor Jack Johnson**.

Passing through Springfield, Mo., he happened upon a newspaper announcement of the death and funeral of **Leon A. Hawkins**, who had a real estate office in Springfield. L.A. has long been a Lost Address.

Henry Gantt is much too busy for travel; his many duties include "trying to keep up with" his daughters; he has (we quote) "two married daughters, one in Buffalo, N.Y., one in Morristown, N.J., one at Sweet Briar College, and one at William and Mary."

Bart Harloe is traveling again: a week in New Zealand, three in Australia, thence to Bangkok and Athens, a 2-week holiday in the British Isles, a visit to the Harvard Business School, and stops in New York, Kansas City, Los Angeles, and San Francisco before returning the first of February to Honolulu.

Ed Leavey also is absent from Honolulu; he's in Kenya, East Africa, heading an economic survey for the World Bank, and will come to Washington after Christmas to complete the task.

Our classmates in Winter Park have evolved a new ritual; each Wednesday, they assemble for luncheon and toasts to our grand old Alma Mater and to our one and only class. They entreat all classmates visiting Florida to join them. **Clyde Morgan**, our correspondent, is the much-abused junior member who is required to wear bathing trunks at **Phil Day's** au naturel swimming parties because someone must be prepared to welcome guests.

Mac McGregor, our Bradenton representative, and **Mary** are making ready for the long drive North to West Point next June by breaking in a newer car for the trip. Mac reports a wonderful 92d birthday party with **Gretchen** and **Billy Reinburg** last August for **Ross Garrity's** mother, "the Glamour Gal of 1918" and still very bright and gay. May she enjoy "Many Happy Returns."

New addresses: **Jack** and **Renah Carroll** have an apartment in Tilden Gardens, 3041 Sedwick St. N.W., Washington 8, D.C. Their home in The Plains, Va., was purchased by **Bill Hall** (1929) and his wife, **Marguerite Higgins**, the famous correspondent.

Harry Wood has retired from the Veterans' Administration in Hartford and is now actively associated with **Mary** in real estate, specializing in appraisals. The address: Seven West Hill Drive, West Hartford 7, Conn.

And **Bill Deeble** has left New England for a new home at 780 Dill's Bluff Road, Lawton Bluff, Charleston, S.C. Bill is trying to solve a mystery. As a yearling acting corporal on a summer practice march, he, with **Tim Timberlake**, **Bruce Moomau**, and one other, was selected for a gold-brick job on the color guard and excused from maneuvers. With nothing to do, they mounted the running boards of a Model T full of pretty girls and were observed by **Percy Gregory** (1903) who ordered Tim to report them for being off limits, etc., etc., etc. Questions: Who was the fourth man? And why did nothing ever come of that report?

The Veterans' Day Luncheon in Washington was the biggest and best yet, with 51 present, a new record. Long distance honors went to **Choo-Choo Courture** who flew over from Minneapolis and brought **Florence** along to meet the gang; she has promised us that they both will be at West Point next June.

Others from out of town were **Zelie** and **Hi Ely** with daughter **Hope Cochran**, **Lucile** and **John Fye** with **Bob** (1945) and **Leinani**, **Rachel** and **Henry Gantt** with **Helen** and **Stu Barden** (1919), **Isabelle** and **Parry Lewis**,

Louise and **Al Paca**, **Harriett** and **Harry Rising** with **Sally** and **Merle Carey** (1943), and **Leo Smith**.

Leo maintained his old tradition of presenting door prizes of Trenton Belleek to lucky ladies, with four pairs of individual salts. The first name drawn was **Florence Courture's** and this was the third straight year that the winner was the lady on our left: how do we do it? The second winner was **Lois Stamps**, the third was **Dorothe Matlack** (who was the lady on our left last year) and the fourth was **Rachel Gantt**. A fifth prize, a lovely little cream pitcher, evoked a spontaneous "Wouldn't **Miriam** love that?" from us and by popular acclaim it was awarded to her.

Enjoying these parties as we do, we seldom are able to report them fully but we do remember **Elizabeth Jones's** relief when nobody copied her clothes this year; **Bill Reeder's** remark that **Parry Lewis** was his ideal of the way a gentleman should look; and **Dorothy Warner's** stopping the show with her story of the lady who, when arrested for strolling down Connecticut Avenue in beads and high heeled shoes, explained that **Jackie Kennedy** had commented that any girl could be well dressed in her basic black and a string of pearls.

It was a grand party, even though **Loessa Coffey** had to miss it because of a family wedding, **Joe Cohen's** virus kept him and **Bessie** in Baltimore, and **Katherine Smith** wasn't well enough for the trip from Trenton. One other absentee, who wishes to remain anonymous, arranged for the unescorted ladies to be his guests, so **Red Durfee** told each in turn that an unknown admirer had picked up her check. Now, for the first time, each will learn that she was not the only one.

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The **Phil Gallaghers** were in Washington in September. **Bud Miley** threw a stag luncheon at the Army and Navy Club for **Phil** where local classmates could judge that he is still full of his old enthusiasm, ready and willing to take off his gloves in the espousal of good causes. The principal subject of discussion was "Equalization of Retired Pay," a cause for which **Phil** is an active "freedom fighter" in Georgia.

Savvy Cruse also blew into town in September. **Mickey** and I lunched with him at the Statler. **Savvy** is a nationally known philatelist, carrying off honors in stamp meet competitions. In October he received the Grand Award for the best exhibit in the New Mexico Stamp Association exhibition in El Paso. His exhibit was "United States Special Purpose Stamps." Additionally, he won a First Award for the same exhibit, a Special Award for the best exhibit by a member of the American Philatelic Society, and, for the second consecutive time, the **Bill Taylor Memorial Award** for the best exhibit by a member of the El Paso Stamp Club. Nice going, **Savvy!**

Hughie Hewitt reports a nice evening with **Lucy** and **Breezy Hudson** and with **Maurice** and **Lloyd Mielenz** who had been visiting their daughter in White Sands. I had a glimpse of **Hughie** and a brief chat when he was in Washington last fall. The change in administration has not affected his job

as yet. Incidentally, **Hughie** has a nephew who is an upstanding plebe at West Point.

We regret to report the loss of another classmate. A note from his wife reports the death of **Albert E. (Shorty) Marks** on 1 November 1961. **Albert** died, after a prolonged illness, in his native New Orleans where for many years he was an engineer for the Sewerage and Water Board. In addition to his West Point diploma, he held an engineering degree from Tulane University. A requiem mass was held at St. Anthony of Padua church. **Albert** was laid to rest in Metairie cemetery. A letter of condolence on behalf of the class has been sent to his widow, **Marguerite**, who survives him.

Sylvia Shattuck reports that **Jo Rice, K.ap's** widow, stopped over at the Thayer last summer. **Jo** is busy doing social work in Rockland, Me. **Sylvia's** son, **Blanny**, is in the Eighth Army Aviation Section in Seoul, Korea. They had a week's vacation together in Massachusetts after which they flew to visit friends in Jamaica where they had a "super time swimming, sunning, and sightseeing." During the football season **Sylvia** saw the **Gruhns** and **Chester Wards** cheering on the old Army team. She spent the Navy game week end with the **Wards** in Stamford.

Squire and **Julia Foster** had a nice visit last fall with **Tex** and **Grace Mussil**, **Lib** and **Kitty Boineau**. **Squire** reports old **Tex** as full of life as he was some 40 years ago and believes that, with the application of a little shoe polish to his hair, **Tex** could pass as a cadet. **Kitty**, he says, is far from ready for the rocking chair either since he still shoots golf in the 70's.

Kitty Boineau, reporting on the same reunion, confirms **Squire's** evaluation and adds that the **Fosters** both look fine. The **Boineaus** with their 12-year-old son went to **Agnes Scott College** in November for the investiture where their daughter, **Sallie**, was capped as a senior. **Kitty** and **Lib** are rightfully proud of their daughter who is an honor student and who has been given a special laboratory in which to study radiation. **Kitty** also boasts that his nephew is the first Republican to be elected to South Carolina House of Representatives since reconstruction days.

An October letter reports **Matty Matthews** back in Ward 4, Valley Forge Hospital, for further maintenance and check-up. Deep x-ray therapy had left **Matty** very anemic. He has had a rugged time in hospitals but writes very cheerfully of little pain, seldom a requirement for pain killer, and an optimistic outlook for the future. We all join in that outlook and hope to see him in full circulation soon.

Clarry and **Elsie Townsley**, after another stay at "Lost Loafer" caring for two grandsons for a spell, sailed for Europe on the *Queen Elizabeth* 1 November, to visit son **Ed** and family in Stuttgart. They expect to be nomads until **March** staying, after their visit, in a pension in Southern Europe and spending a week or so in Charleston before returning to their home in Manhasset. Since **Clarry** and **Elsie** were making the trip "on a frayed shoestring," they decided to go tourist on the *Queen*—space on **MSTS** not being available. Better luck on the return trip, **Clarry**.

Marian Ross was in Washington through 21 September, but **Mickey** and I missed her due to our absence in Kentucky to attend my sister's golden wedding festivities. **Marian** is now in her third year as kindergarten as-

sistant at Washington University. Her daughter Marian Karrick and husband Sam, now in J-3 EUCOM, visited her in Webster Groves before sailing. Marian had a wonderful visit here with her mother and with her daughter Katharine Crichton whose husband Charles is with CEIR. She also saw the **Bishops, Sturgises, Louise Dean**, and many other friends.

Since last August **Milo and Betty Barragan** have had a new address—222 Funston Place, San Antonio 9, Tex. This is relatively temporary as they expect to be in new permanent quarters soon. Will report in due course.

Tommy Tompkins and Nonie were in Washington in November where Tommy attended the annual reunion of the Twelfth Army Group and where both renewed old Cavalry friendships at a large cocktail party at the Army and Navy Club. Nonie was able to squeeze in some shopping as well as a bit of touring around the ever-changing Washington scene. Tommy had a good visit with local classmates at the luncheon meeting of the executive committee.

Lucius Clay and Marjorie are located (at this writing) in their previous quarters in Berlin where Lucius is most busily and capably engaged in his highly responsible duties as Special Ambassador for the President. His Excellency made a flying trip to Washington in November to confer with the President after which there was a speedy return to his post of duty. For further news of Lucius, see your daily papers and most of the national magazines.

Pat Casey and Dorothy had a grand trip to Denver and the Rocky Mountains in September. After giving the Schenley party for the American Legion Commander and staff, they drove up Pike's Peak and throughout the Rocky Mountain National Park. They saw the Army defeat (but no classmates) at the Oklahoma game and were hoping for both classmates and victory at the Navy game. Recently, Pat has talked to Matty in the hospital and reports his chin up and morale good.

Bit Barth saw **Murray Neilson** at Ft. Leavenworth and reports him hale, hearty, and distinguished looking. Murray is still active in business. The Barths had a visit from **Chesty and Bunny Ward** on their return from Mexico but missed them at Hague, N.Y., in the summer. In expressing his regret at **Gene Caffey's** passing, Bit eulogizes Gene as a man and a commander, one of many tributes we have received testifying to Gene's qualities or greatness. In a late letter, Bit sends his best to old friends and incloses a check to sweeten the class fund.

The **Bob Hamiltons** took time out for a family reunion at Chautauqua Lake, N.Y., last summer and for a visit to son Bill in Boston. Mostly, however, they have been busy adjusting to retirement which means lots of gardening for Bob as well as strenuous efforts to put together 18 good holes of golf.

Hal Lewis and Frances had a delightful vacation trip through New England, though a bit early for the fall colors. When Frances mentioned to a Vermonter that the guide books gave a certain date for Autumn color he replied, "Well, lady, I think the Lord knows more about the color of the leaves than the guide books." Hal asks me to get him off the hook by taking 100 pounds off the sail fish which he caught and which was acknowledged in the last issue. I quote from Hal's previous letter: "...we boated a 7' 6" sail fish... our estimate was 165 pounds." At Hal's request, but not due to my fanciful

reporting, the weight of that fish is hereby reduced to 65 pounds. Due to an accident to Frances' father and to an unexpected business trip to Seal Harbor, Hal was unable to contact classmates as planned, but hopes for better luck next time and for Florida visitors to get in touch with him when in those parts.

Lloyd and Maurine Mielenz have hardly had time to get re-acquainted with their home in Macon. Here is a brief account of their wanderings since returning from their trip East in July to entertain their daughter and family at home: a sad trip to Fond du Lac for the funeral of Lloyd's sister-in-law; to El Paso and White Sands and vicinity by car in October where they saw the **Hewitts, the Hudsons, Catherine Caffey**, and the **Cruses**; then by air to Mexico City, and home via Vicksburg and Memphis with a side trip to Natchez, Mississippi. They were surprised to find that the lock responded to their key when they finally reached Orange Terrace and home.

We extend our deep sympathy to **Leo Kreber** whose wife **Jesse Mae** died after a prolonged illness. Jesse was able to leave the hospital on 28 June, their 42d wedding anniversary, but was hopelessly ill and could not recover. After a requiem mass, Jesse was laid to rest in St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus, Ohio.

I quote in full a late letter from **Axelson**. "Dear Bill, No news. Scip." The **Axelson's** now have a nice apartment in San Diego with 10 square feet of garden for Norma to care for. They hope to come East soon to see their son Rudy and family now stationed in Washington.

The **Pichels** are back in California where Pitch is catching up on his legal affairs and recovering from a session with **Pat Casey** where the two of them are alleged to have consumed some VIP potables procured from the distiller with which Pat is associated.

The class was well represented at the Army-Navy game. Watching that disappointing spectacle were **Harry Mewshaw, Andy Moore, Leo Kreber, Pat Casey, Mike Grenata, Bud Miley, Cas Casman, Charlie Hoffman**, and **Tommy Tompkins**. **Bob Hamilton** was probably there though my "stringer" didn't confirm his presence. Tommy was observed manfully devouring huge roast beef sandwiches to get his money's worth. They cost him \$1.00 per each in hotel wrappings.

The **Mewshaws** were in and around Washington and Baltimore for a few days visiting their children and grandchildren. Old Cavalry men held forth with Harry at a party given by their daughter June and son-in-law Col. **Harry Ruhsam** after which we dined at the club for more reminiscing—and that's it for now.

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Van Voorst Is News!

Mrs. **Fredrick Francis Frusher** announces the marriage of her daughter **Alicia** to **Brigadier General Marion Van Voorst** on Wednesday, the fourth of October, at **Saint Mathew's Cathedral** in Washington. Now **Howard Canaan** is our last lonely bachelor. The happy couple will now reside at **The Dupont East**, Washington 6, D. C.

In the second generation, the wedding has

been announced of **Miss Margaret Stahnman Antes** to **Richard Halstead Bathhurst**, son of **Colonel Charles R. Bathhurst** and (**Hildegard**) **Mrs. Harold Reeve Sleeper** of New York.

The **Bob Schows** have been since 5 October at a new address: **Laurel Hill, Route 2, Box 361, Falmouth, Va.**

Too late for the last ASSEMBLY a letter came from **Pop Gildart** calling attention to the death of **Bill Sexton** on 10 April 1960. Pop had written to me in April 1960. Unfortunately his note never reached me.

Linson Dzau, lost to us for 30 years, is alive, well, and on the faculty of **Yuet Wah College** in the Portuguese colony of **Macau** on the southern coast of **Communist China**. One fears that his wife and children are still in **Red China**.

The **Holbrooks** have been all over the country, including attendance at the **American Bankers Association Meeting** in **San Francisco** in October. The **Bill Badgers** flew around the globe in August. Bill writes: "You have probably heard that **Laura Belle** and I recently returned from a trip around the world by jet aircraft. We stopped off at **San Francisco, Honolulu, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok, New Delhi, Istanbul, Athens, and Lisbon**. **A. M. and Juliette Wilson** met us at the airport in **San Francisco** and **Al Miller** and his charming wife, **Ruth**, had the four of us and **Mac and Helen Monroe** to a lovely luncheon at their attractive home on **Tiptoe Lane** in **Los Altos**. We dropped around to see **Paul and Ruth Kendall** at their home in **Palo Alto** after lunch. **Ruth** had just returned from the hospital after an operation, but both of them looked fine."

The monthly luncheons have become most successful get-togethers in Washington with the three 1918 classes all well represented.

Pinkie Williamson has recently gone through a tough period. There was a tumor, feared to be malignant. However, it is out. On 17 November **Helen** wrote: "Glad to report that **Pinkie** is better."

A letter from **Fred Butler** arrived in September describing a visit to the **Austrian Department of Agriculture horse farm**: "The way the horses are handled is unbelievable—never a raised voice and never physical punishment. Mares and colts and stallions—every one is a pet and are as eager for human company and human attention as a dog. Not a single baby shied away from us and indeed they were eager to be petted or get a few grains of oats. The stallions were in box stalls while we were there being fed and groomed. Both of us walked in, petted and fondled them—and they all wanted to walk out with us. When feeding and grooming was finished, mares and colts were turned out to pasture—and that was a sight."

Fred Pearson reports that **Hunk Holbrook**, at **Helen's** insistence, has lost 20 pounds. **Duke Hastings** is with **Medico** to handle supplies. The **Mike Jenkins** are in **Pompano Beach, Fla.**, for the winter. **Andy March** underwent an operation in the autumn resulting in the return of some vision. The **Charley Hixons** visited their daughter in **San Antonio** over Thanksgiving. **John Fonvielle's** eldest son is attending **American University** in **Washington** preparing himself for a diplomatic career. **Fred** saw **Corzelius** and reports that **Frank's** health has improved. He also saw **Charley and Cora Moore** who are in good shape after a trip to **Canada**. He reports that **Duke and Lella Dunkelberg** have

recovered from their automobile accident. He says he "missed seeing Howell and Tula Cocks as they had just taken off in their new Cessna on a business trip to Austin. Howell was going to do a bit of hunting too before returning to Houston."

We have just received our first Christmas card—from Betty and Gerry Trichel who are at 34, Rue du D'Blanche, Paris 16, France. He writes: "After 16 months along with 'il ne manque personne' I've learned 'je m'en fiche,' i.e., I speak French like a native of Podunk. Seriously, we are a bit lonely and would like to see any classmates who may wander in this direction. The telephone is in the landlord's name and is BACatelle 8660."

In spite of heavy rains, mud slides, and announcements that many roads in the area were closed to traffic, what was probably the largest assembly of the class in Southern California turned out to watch the TV broadcast of the Army-Navy game 2 December at Murry and Wiley Carter's home in Riverside, with Ruby and Lawrence Bixby as co-hosts.

Fourteen classmates and their wives converged on Riverside—the Mendenhalls of Laguna Beach from farthest south; and the Dickeys made it from far to the north, timing their annual trip south in order to be present. Some saw classmates they hadn't seen since graduation; and no less than four former residents of "A" Company's old "Second Div" were on hand: Pop Hendricks, Mendenhall, V.J. Conrad, and Bixby.

The complete list: Mary and Jim Carroll of Los Angeles; Murry and Wiley Carter of Riverside; Melba and V.J. Conrad of Whittier; Virginia and Dean Dickey of Seattle; Coral and Swede Ericson of Oakland, their son-in-law and daughter Betsy; Isabel and Charlie Gildart of Sierra Madre; Pop Hendrick of Santa Barbara; Frances and Bill Hesp of El Segundo; Lucy and George McReynolds of Carpinteria; Andrée and Clarence Mendenhall of Laguna Beach; Juliet and A.M. Wilson of Glendora; Ruth and Charley Morrison of Corona del Mar; Bernard Slifer of Santa Monica; Ruby and Lawrence Bixby of Riverside.

After a buffet lunch there were enough of us there to make the welkin ring with "Here's to Old Nineteen-Twenty," "Oh Furlo Moon up in the Sky," "The Hike Song,"

and "Alma Mater." That brought out the California sun, and the party dispersed in fourteen directions.

In Philadelphia, at the Army-Navy game our class was represented by Bill and Laura-bell Badger and their two sons; Hiney and Patton Bergmann; Hunk and Helen Holbrook; Joe and Dottie Moss; Dick Spring; Fred Pearson; Harrison Shaler with his sister, Eleanor Dickson; and Jake Whelchel with his grandsons and nephews (Navy brats whose father we remember from the Army-Navy game in 1916).

We are glad to know that Monk Dickson is out of the hospital and home again. He would be interested in hearing from classmates.

Johnny Hinds has moved to Fredericksburg, Va. (Box 247-A, Route #4).

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Jim Cole died in the Veterans' Hospital at Martinsburg, W. Va., on 25 September, after a prolonged illness and was buried in Arlington, with a large representation of the class present, on 29 September. Betty will continue to live at 2230 California Street, NW, in Washington. Norah Miller, who has been ill since Ralph's death last year, died on 1 October, and was buried beside Ralph in Arlington. The last issue of ASSEMBLY noted Tom Cranford's death in his home town of Valdosta, Ga., on 26 July.

Bad luck continues to plague the Loeb family. Just when Martin was recovering from his critical heart attack of last summer Pearl was struck by a bus in Albany and had her nose and both legs broken. As this is written, in December, she is still in the Albany Medical Center with the dismal prospect of several operations. The Loeb's live at 54 Pine Avenue, Albany.

So much for the bad news. It is more pleasant to report that the class now has a great-granddaughter, Cynthia Lee Cruciani, born in September to the granddaughter of Joe and Marion Phelps. The Phelps have the double distinction of having both the first grandchild and the first great-grandchild in the class. They bear their honors easily for

neither looks old enough to be grandparents, much less great-grandparents.

Ben Hedrick, the father of the class godson, has moved his law offices from Arlington to Leesburg, Va. (King and Cornwall Streets), and has also a flourishing real estate business in Nag's Head, N.C. Pat Echols stopped by to see the Judge some time ago and reports that he is as full of beans as ever.

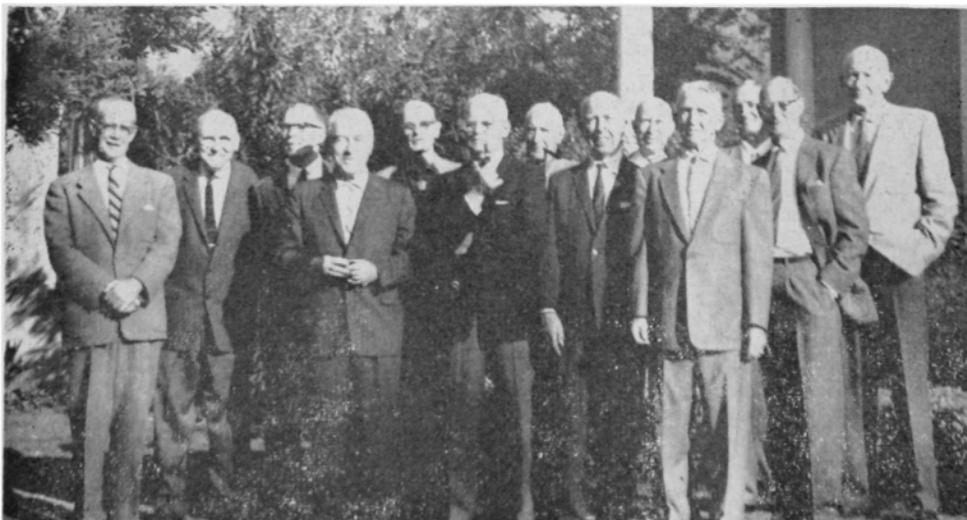
Seventy-five classmates and wives attended the annual Fall Cocktail Buffet in Washington to celebrate the 43d anniversary of our first graduation. In addition to the Washington regulars who attended there was a welcome group of outlanders present. The McAuliffes came down from New York; Broberg and Wyman were in town from California; the Syd Goulds, from Connecticut, were there; and Pop Rex hurried home from Cambodia for the soirée. Pop had just finished a 2-year tour as a roadbuilding consultant in Jordan when he was sent off on 60 days' TDY to Cambodia, leaving Mary behind in the family home at Kensington, Md. He hopes now to turn over such exotic jobs as his last one to the eager beavers of the Peace Corps, and to remain in the USA until he retires from the Bureau of Public Roads in a year or two. Jack and Alex Raaen, who have left their Illinois home and moved to the Washington area, came to their first class party. Their new address is Dominion Plaza Apartments, 1201 South Court House Road, Arlington, Va. (I hope that you are all making these changes in address in your Thirty-five Year Book.) Palmer was absent on business in Paris; the Elys checked in from Florida where they are spending the winter; and Jimmie Harbaugh couldn't come because of Edie's illness. But practically all the Washington and Eastern Shore families were there.

When Doc Loper lost the Hon. in front of his name a few months ago he moved to Bozman, Md., near the Hardins, Tates and Phelps. Doc and Opie are now in Paris, and probably wishing that they were in Yuma, or some place less chilling than Paris. Nate Twining made the *Saturday Evening Post* some weeks ago with an excellent article debunking recent snide reflections in the press that the Department of Defense was deficient in its management procedures.

Lawrence, Pierce, McLean and Zimmerman recently petitioned the Board of Governors of the West Point Society of the Florida West Coast to admit our old friend and honorary classmate, R. John West, to membership in the Society. This was a happy thought which I believe a majority of the class will endorse. Lawrence still lives in his trailer, Casa Rodera: part of the time at his home base at Longboat Key near Sarasota, but most of the time roaming over the highways. He reports that he attended the 40th reunion of his MIT class last summer and recuperated in the lake and mountain country of New Hampshire and Vermont.

McGinley played in the North-South Seniors Golf Tournament at Pinehurst in October, and made the headlines in the sport pages of the Washington papers for two days. (First day: McGinley Beaten; second day: McGinley Beaten Again.) Ham Young's golf trip to Ireland and Scotland was a huge success and he plans to go over again next year. He is looking for recruits to make a chartered flight and a similar trip next year. If you are interested write him at the US Soldiers' Home, Washington 25, D.C.

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From left: Mendenhall, AM Wilson, Dickey, Carroll, Carter, Ericson, McReynolds, Slifer, Gildart, Morrison, VJ Conrad, Hesp, Bixby. Hendrick was there, but left before picture was taken.

Dolly Madison with her two daughters flew to Ft. Bliss on 9 December to dedicate the new Fire Direction Systems facility there as "Madison Park" in recognition of Jack's outstanding contributions to the early development of guided missiles. Jack Jr. was absent in Europe and unable to attend the ceremony. He returned in July from a 3-year tour in Germany and was sent back in November with the advance detachment of an armored division alerted for movement to Europe. (How would you like to be in this modern army?)

I recently had lunch with Al and Nonie Morgan in Mobile and visited Charlie and Margaret Jackson in San Diego for a couple of days. Al has not left the Deep South since he retired and is busy with a flourishing insurance business. (Need a good double indemnity? Adv.) Charlie is a collector of Siamese cats. They never stopped running around the house so I couldn't take a census; but he has a goodly number.

Count Wilson reports that the Rolie McNamees have moved from their Los Altos address to 1026-C Middle Avenue, Menlo Park, Calif.; and that the Hewitts have settled in San Francisco. Hobie was one of the last of the class to leave the active list.

Pop Riley writes that at the request of the University of Washington, which he attended before entering USMA, he has liquidated his real estate business and become the Real Estate Officer of the University. It was through Pop that we had news of Sampson's recent death. Pop was the only member of the class who saw much of Sam after Sam left the Army.

The Sebrees made a quick trip to West Point in October on business for the Army Leadership Human Research Unit of George Washington University (HUMRRO) with which Ed is associated in the unit's Monterey office. Ed reports that Polly is recuperating satisfactorily from her serious illness of last summer.

Chic Noble reports that Al Wedemeyer spoke for an hour at an anti-communist seminar in San Antonio recently and was received enthusiastically by a large audience. Peewee Collier had a brief sojourn in a San Antonio hospital several months ago but has recovered, and according to Chic, "is fit as a fiddle." Alex Bennett has been doing some research on the antique wall paper that was installed in The White House last fall. The paper includes a scene, in colors, of a parade at West Point viewed looking north from the Old South Barracks. The same paper is used in one room of the Governor's Mansion in Austin, Tex. A French artist made the sketches for the paper in 1832 and the plates were made and the paper printed in Paris two years later. The paper is still available for purchase (at \$700 a roll) and is even carried in stock by two firms in the United States. Alex suggests that it might be a worthy project for some philanthropist in the class to offer to paper an appropriate room at West Point with this antique wallpaper.

I realize that these notes are skimpy and heavy on Washington information, but they are the only ones available at press time. Future columns will be no improvement unless you furnish me, or Bartlett, McLean, Noble, or Count Wilson with your local gossip. Should a column fail to appear it will be because there is nothing worthy of report. So help us out; even changes of address are news.

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Although Larry Schick's retirement was excellently covered in the Fall Issue of *ASSEMBLY*, the class extends heartiest congratulations to him and Frances for a job "Well Done." As organized by John McNulty, our class prexy, a 1920 Class dinner was tendered Larry and Frances at the West Point Army Mess. Lem Lemnitzer, only classmate to have attained the lofty position of Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, flew up from Washington for the occasion and at a review for Larry, awarded him the Distinguished Service Medal. At the dinner, Bill Bessell, Dean of the Academic Board, pinned back on Larry's shoulders the stars of a brigadier general which he had voluntarily relinquished to return to West Point as a Professor. Present at the gala affair were: Bessell, Bullene, Byers, Cullum, Farrell, Gillette, Johnston, Lanahan, Lemnitzer, McCullough, McNulty, Partridge, Raymond, Stratton, Travis, and West, all with their wives except Bullene and Lanahan whose wives were unable to attend. Mary Louise Hasbrouck was also present, without Gloomy who was attending an important Red Cross meeting.

Congratulations to Tommy White on his selection by *Newsweek* magazine as its military affairs analyst and consultant on national security matters.

It is especially sad for me to report the death of our classmate and my roommate, Ted Taney, on 28 October at Minneapolis, Minn., after a prolonged illness. As you will recall Ted was retired as a Lt. for disability shortly after graduation when he lost a leg during a demolition exercise at the Cavalry School. After his retirement he obtained his Law Degree at the University of Minnesota and was a partner for many years in a prominent law firm in Minneapolis. World War II found Ted back in service in the Judge Advocate General's Department. He saw service overseas and was promoted to the rank of Lt. Col. Ted is survived by his widow, Miriam, residing at 1910 Knox Ave. So., Minneapolis. Ted and Miriam were last present for our 35th reunion. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Miriam.

Myra and I had a grand 2-month auto trip North in August-September which included a 5-day visit with Harry and Madeline Travis at their delightful home in Fair Haven, N.J. While there we were entertained at dinner by Bugs and Mildred Raymond at their home in Lyncroft, N.J., and also by John and Belle McNulty at Asbury Park, N.J. A side-trip with luncheon with Charlie and Horty West at West Point concluded the highlights of our summer except for attendance at one of our monthly class luncheons in Washington on 11 September, the second Monday of each month, where I had the pleasure of seeing the following: Lemnitzer, Clovis Byers, Bill Mitchell, P.D. Fisher, Jack Reybold, Rehm, Downing, Hayden, Seybold, Merritt, Gunn, (ex-20) who had as his guest our classmate Martelino's brother who was visiting in Washington at the time.

A welcome letter from Bill Bessell gives the following notes from West Point:

Frank and Anne Farrell have been frequent visitors to the Academy since his appointment as Director of the State of New York Civil Defense Commission. They have attended most of the home games. Another enthusiastic

pair of Army fans is Lem and Kay Lemnitzer who manage to give us the pleasure of seeing them in between soirées that seem to be necessary to their big job at that 5-sided structure in Washington.

Jimmy and Selby Stratton have also been up a couple of times from the Tippetts, Abbott, McCarthy & Stratton engineering firm in New York City. He and Willis McDonald are nearby active members of Lucius Clay's group working in the interest of the Superintendent's Fund. Other frequent USMA visitors have included our genial energetic class president John McNulty and his lady, Belle, and Sherman (Gloomy) and Lou Hasbrouck who have a wonderful estate with a lovely stone house at nearby Stone Ridge.

Red Blaik and Merle manage to see us frequently despite his very busy life with Avco, which seems to involve considerable travel. Few know of Red's fine activities in support of the Football Hall of Fame.

Don Leehey wrote from 9641 Hilltop Road, Bellevue, Wash., to say he couldn't make it across the country to any games this year.

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C. J. Barrett
West Point, N. Y.

Reported elsewhere in this issue is the death on 29 August of BB Wilkes, which ended a group longevity record. 1921 is believed to be the only class to go more than 40 years beyond its graduation without losing a man.

It appears that the biggest class gatherings of these days are in the Washington area on the occasion of the Oriole luncheons. The one on 13 October brought out 14 members. There was a luncheon on 11 December, too late for any report in this column, and there will be others on 12 February and 16 April.

Johnson RH tried to rally all the Orioles in the New York area on the night of the Army-Oklahoma game, but only five couples made it. A telephone call to Arthur Klein from the dining room gave ample evidence (hoarseness) of good reason for an absence.

Harry Haas has moved to Jacksonville, Fla., and is reported to be heading there a new subsidiary of his old company.

Bill Kyle has been visiting in Washington this fall and the impression he created was "he's about the oldest member of the class (Editorial note: Not so; McClenaghan, Anderson, and Leedy rank him.)" but he looks like the youngest.

Ham Meyer was also on a visit to Washington (the city) in October, and to Washington (the state) in November. He and McClenaghan reminisced in Seattle and talked about next June's reunion.

The Chidlaws are thinking of the time when Ben will elect to re-retire from industry, so when his outfit wanted him to move to the West Coast he countered with an offer to meet them halfway. Now he is conducting business operations from Colorado Springs while he and Lil are proceeding, with careful and deliberate planning, about getting their permanent home built in those lovely surroundings.

Ficklen is happy with having been made a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, which he thinks is pretty good for one of his class standing.

Hop Dance had a serious operation this fall but made a fast recovery. And Field

Sadtler is out and about again, back to his chipper self.

The crush at the Navy Game was so great that it was difficult to see everyone who was there. Since several Orioles had previously announced their intention of watching the game on TV, it is possible that class attendance was reduced. Albert, Douglass, Johnson, and Barrett were on hand but there is no other information on the subject.

Got your plans made for next June?

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PENN STATE GAME

The Timberrmans, Weikerts, Torrences, Roths and Kehms, conducted a converging operation on University Park to see this fine game. The Roths brought along two families of staunch friends of Army so we all had a grand time. P. Roy Dwyer was there with his daughter. The class was enthusiastically if lightly represented. We were proud of the contingent of cadets and of the team.

CAN YOU TIE THIS?

Late this Fall the Lee Shafers went to Japan to see their daughter. Esther broke her ankle just after they had made all arrangements. Nothing daunted she went on, cast and all. One day while they were in Hiroshima a lady spoke sympathetically to Esther about the cast. The next evening, the same lady appeared in the dining room with her husband, Lyle Rosenberg! Lee and Lyle had not seen each other since graduation and neither knew the other was in Japan!

EMPLOYMENT FIGURES UP

Jim Fry has become Vice-President in charge of public relations for the First National Bank of Arlington. Kehm has become a consultant on the training of US personnel for service overseas. Ed Love is leaving his old company for a better job with another firm in Harrisburg, Pa. His home address remains in New Haven, Conn. Bill Biddle will soon fill a newly-created position as Commandant of Cadets at the Pennsylvania Military College, Chester, Pa. He will be taking up residence there about 1 March.

COUNTRY SQUIRE

After a bout with hernia, Budge Smith is again maintaining their fine old home at Sackets Harbor, N.Y., and guiding a program for the restoration of 1812 fortifications in the area. Sidney in the meantime, is seeking to arrange for the publication of some fascinating letters written by Tully McCrea, USMA 1862, while he was a cadet and all through his service in the Civil War.

TAPS

Ed Post died in his sleep on 25-26 September. Shim Reid wrote a most moving letter noting that he had gone to the Memorial Service at the Presidio of Monterey, where he and Pinky Dorn were among the honorary pallbearers, and then on to the final service at Golden Gate National Cemetery where the Pinky Palmers, Buckleys, and Art Garrecht joined them. Shim was high in his praise of young Eddie who he said rose admirably to this sad and sudden crisis. Shim made every effort to get word to the class contingent at San Francisco, but could reach no one in the time available to him.

A class floral tribute was arranged. Virginia and her mother, Mrs. Ewalt, are remaining

at the Pebble Beach address for the present.

Bob Hallock sent in a clipping containing the sad news that Frank Dodd's wife, Margaret, had died on 15 November. She was buried at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery on 17 November. I know that all of us will feel with Frank and Betty in the great loss they have suffered, for Margaret was truly a wonderful person.

ADDRESS CHANGES AND THINGS!

The way to get news from you guys is to make errors in the address list. Unplanned as those in the recent list were, they sparked the following tid-bits.

Karl Lueder says his new house was to be finished on 8 November as he and Joan left for the US to transform themselves into immigrants to Mexico. They should be back by the time you see this with the welcome mat out at Casa del Ruisenor, Chapala Haciendos, Chapala, Box 69, Jalisco, Mexico.

Lou Haskell gives his new address as 54 Robin Road, Apt. B 1, West Hartford 7, Conn., and says he is still teaching at Newington Junior High School.

Al Johnson notes that they spend more



'23 at Penn State game. 1-Dotty Torrence. 2-Dud Roth. 3-Ann Roth. 4-Timberman. 5-Cigar and Dwyer. 6-Dwyer's daughter. 7-A bit of Jim Torrence. 8-Mary Kehm.

time at their Florida home than in Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada, so you'd better use the following: 2625 Castilla Isle, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

You may recall that so far as these notes go we last had Bill Schaffer in an auto accident in Tokyo in 1959. Well, we finally ran him down too! He recovered! Despite a 3/4-inch shortening of one leg he can still play 18 holes of golf! After recovering from the accident, he resumed teaching in Hawaii until this last June when they moved to Texas where they are finding the climate a bit trying at 522 Oakley Drive, San Antonio 9, Tex.

George Howell wants you all to know that the latch string is out at 129 South Saluda Ave., Columbia 5, S.C.

Aida Bowen writes that she and Jimmy are living a real beachcomber life at 66 Verbena St., Clearwater Beach, Fla.

A card sent to Jim Torrence from Japan by Ken Webber arrived too late to permit us to include Ken's new address in the list. It is 28 North Center St., Redlands, Calif.

Our one and only US Senator, Ralph Yarborough, forwarded his Texas address along with an inquiry about some classmates, un-

happily now deceased. The address: 309 US Courthouse, Austin 1, Tex.

The prize comment came from Sylvester Keane. He says he is tired of being listed as a colonel, when he is actually a captain. I don't blame him. All too often the title Colonel "ain't what it used to be."

STU

Meta Beckley tells me that she and their son, Captain Beckley, saw the Navy Game on TV with Stu at the Martinsburg V.A. Hospital. While Stu has great difficulty speaking, his interest and spirit are tops. Young Stu will be leaving for Okinawa after mid-December.

NAVY GAME

In a prophetic letter, P. Roy Dwyer forecast what happened on 2 December at Philadelphia. I made a last-minute decision to go to the game; consequently I sat far from our class area. In fact I saw only Babe Bryan and J.C. King at the field and Bill Biddle on the train. However, the two last-named have given me a list of those present. Aside from those already mentioned they were: Carnes, Dwyer, Grombach, Love, Morse, Phillips, Serig, Tormey, Towle, Tredennick and Tully. I regret I didn't see them because there are a few items of unfinished business in respect to some of them that would make interesting news for you all. I believe I am expressing the views of all concerned that the marching, conduct and spirit of the Corps were truly impressive and that the team seemed to be giving its all. There seemed to be no signs that "the Corps has gone to Hell." Next year?

OF RINGS AND THINGS

Sometime ago Timberman told me that he had lost his class ring while driving along a superhighway near Washington. It seems that he had the ring on a small finger and inadvertently gestured towards an open car window. Detailed search produced no results.

This reminded me of several other incidents that have made me ring-conscious. The first occurred while we were still cadets when I noticed a ring on Al Keyes hand and asked him what tin school it represented. In a kind and restrained tone Al said, "That is my father's class ring."

On the lighter side, I recall that Jazz Harmony broke the stone in his ring shortly after we graduated. Poor as we all were, he could not afford a replacement at the time, so he fitted in a nice piece of red eraser. This was fine but caused no end of consternation among the "grande dames" of Ft. Harrison, when John would casually wiggle the "stone" around while engaged in profound conversation.

During World War II my eyes bugged out one day when I saw a lost-and-found ad in the *Stars and Stripes* indicating that Einar Gjelsteen had lost his ring, as I recall, just about the time he was momentarily a PW.

Most poignant of all, Hal Granberry once told me that while he was swimming in the cold waters of Puget Sound his ring slipped from his finger and he could see it shimmer as it sank. The swimming he learned from Marty Maher didn't enable him to catch up with it. A few years later Hall happened to pass by a pawn shop and there, in the window, he saw what turned out to be a 1923 class ring. He redeemed it and was wearing the ring when I last saw him in Panama in 1930. I've often wondered whether

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it was with him when he died while a POW in 1945.

Turning to another kind of a ring, **Shim Reid's** most attractive daughter was wearing her pappy's napkin ring as a bracelet when she visited us in the course of her training prior to going to Caracas, Venezuela, to work in the bi-national center there. That "ring" is really getting around.

I don't know how many of the class columns you read, but whatever the number, I am sure that you have been impressed that almost all of the correspondents are yelling for more news. He who runs may read!

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It is with deep regret that I announce the death of **George Elliott** and **Gene Meister**. George died very suddenly on 8 November 1961 and was buried at the Golden Gate Cemetery, San Bruno, Calif. For some reason my liaison broke down and I did not learn until late October that Gene had died at Fitzsimons on 19 March 1961. He was buried at Ft. Logan, Colorado. I am sure all join me in expressing sincere sympathy to the families of each classmate.

Since my last report the following have joined our long list of retired people: Maj. Gen. R.V. (Pete) Lee, USA, Brig. Gen. Frank Lazarus, USAR and Col. Armand Salmon, USAR.

Tom and Helen Allen report the number of grandchildren has reached 15 with number 16 expected in February. Congratulations. I am sure that the Allens are now in first place.

Mabel and Bake Baker have moved from Detroit to Texarkana, Ark. Mabel did not say what Bake will do but he is an expert in the commercial gas field. **Lew Barkes** reports that he and **Mary** are getting along as well as could be expected. Lew suffered a stroke in early 1959. He really misses the chance to see the football games at the Academy. A short note from **Bennie Bennett**; apparently no harm came to him and his as a result of the earthquake in Chile. Secretary of the Army **Stahr** has accepted the **Robert Ward Berry Memorial Trophy** for the Army. This trophy is to be awarded to the best missile battery in ARADCOM each year. **Janet Berry** and Lt. Gen. **Robert Wood**, ARADCOM CG, were present at the presentation. **George Busbey** says, "It has been interesting to me to note how many classmates have achieved outstanding success—officially and financially; even more interesting, to me, to note how much I enjoy reading of their success and completely missing is any tinge of envy." A noble expression. George.

Vic Conrad has written that he expects to be sent back to Washington by his company. While he and **Martha** are happy on the West Coast, Vic claims to be an East Coast boy. **Ray and Helen Coombs** were present at the annual meeting and buffet supper. Ray looked fine after his operation. **Bo and Malin Craig** have announced the engagement of their daughter, **Helen Mar**, to Mr. **John Edward Lynch**. Mr. Lynch is a chemical engineer associated with **Union Carbide Corp.** A February wedding is planned. **George and Fran Crosby** are having fun baby-sitting with their first granddaughter. **Young George**, USMA '60, is in Germany without quarters. **Capt. William T. Cummings**, son of **Em and Louise**, has become engaged to **Miss Margaret Stubbs** of Great Brookham, Surrey, England. After a December wedding the young couple will make their home at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Reggie and Edna Dean have moved into their new home in East Brunswick, N.J. Edna, while still having difficulty in getting around, is in marvelous spirit. Reggie keeps the Jersey Turnpike open to the great volume of traffic passing over it every day. **Dud and Gladys Dudley** have become quite complacent in their mountain-top home at **Sewanee Military Academy**, enjoying good health, a rewarding job, and the cultural benefits available in that academic community. Another quote from **George Busbey**, "How come no one mentions **Pat Dugan**? He is a 'brain' now at **Huntsville, Ala.**, and one of the best men in our class. He is too modest to tell you that he has beaten the races for years. His system is incredible." Thanks, George. Pat has just informed me of his change of address.

Bill Nye and Betty Elward enjoy life in Mesa, Ariz. Betty is a substitute teacher in the high school. Daughter **Nancy** traded her job as a stewardess on the **American Airlines** for wedlock when she married Mr. **Gregory Draper** last June. Son **Richard** is in Junior High. **Bill Nye** busies himself with the development of educational toys for retarded children. **Eleanor Ent** was the guest of honor at Ent Air Force Base during the formal dedication of the portrait painting of **Uzal**, which will be on permanent display at the Base.

Tom Forman is making a good recovery after two operations. **Nancy**, as long as she restricts her activities, is doing quite well. **Tom Jr.** and his wife **Ruth** have presented **Tom and Nancy** with their fifth grandchild, a boy, so the **Forman** name is assured for another generation.

Sandy Goodman gave me a glowing report on the 1924 Bay Area Chapter. **Van Wyk** is Pres.; **Stebbins**, Vice-Pres.; **Gibbs**, Sec't-Treas.; and **Stewart**, Historian. **Sandy** further reports that anyone contemplating a visit to **San Antonio** had better go into training well ahead of his expected visit. **Rupe and Katherine Graves** have finally caught up with their home in **Stuart, Fla.** **Rupe** now teaches at **Indian River Jr. College** at **Fort Pierce**. **Dorothy and Carroll Griffin** are getting along very well in **Seoul, Korea**. **Carroll**, however, is fearful of his internal organs because of the 180-mile round trip he must make over those Korean roads to visit the nitrogen fertilizer plant he supervises.

Bill Halligan and **Hallcrafters** make the news quite regularly if one reads the financial pages. **Hallcrafters** is now listed on the **NY Stock Exchange**. It was fun seeing **Bob Harper** in **Washington** this fall. His first-hand report on several Herdsmen in **Texas** was most welcome. **Juan Hitchings** has disappeared from **Florida**. Does anyone know where he has gone? **Tom and Lucie Holmes** are devoting much time and energy to their "Sugar Planter's and Statesman's Manor House" situated on the 76-acre sugar plantation in **Louisiana**. The welcome sign is out for all the **Herd** passing that way. The **Dan Hundleys** and **John G. Moores** were recent guests of the **Goodmans**. **Dan and Sandy** were very envious of **John** and his ability to raise beautiful orchids when he made his presentation to **Virginia and Yvonne**.

Shorty Keeley sends a warm Aloha from **Hawaii**, **Shorty**, **Marg**, and daughter **Pat** are

all in good health. They were very thrilled to see so many of '24 this year in **Hawaii**. **Howie Ker** tells me he will retire in **April** and return to live here in **Washington**. **Joe Kiely** puts me on the pan for the math in the dues letter. I hope that all you Herdsmen will prove me correct so that I may tell Joe, "I knew the Herd would crash through."

George Lightcap spent '6 weeks in **Fitzsimons** instead of the 6 days he went out there to stay. The doctors told him nothing, took a bit of blood, and finally sent him home. The visit must have done some good because **George** says he is feeling up to par.

Monro MacCloskey is the Vice President and **Washington** representative of **Casa Electronics Corp.** of **Los Angeles**. **Tom and Laurance McCulloch** were among the 53 members and guests at the 18 September party of the **Alamo Chapter**. It is reported as a gala affair. **Jim and Eleanor McGraw** with their three children took off last June for a year in **Europe**. The three children were placed in boarding school in **England** while **Jim and Eleanor** are doing **Europe** in their **Volks-wagon**. **Jim's** letter came from **Madrid** but they were heading for southern **Spain** where they will rent a house for the winter. The children will fly in for **Xmas**. **Peyton McLamb** missed the annual meeting because of a hurried trip to **Frisco**. He visited with **Duke Wellington** in **Duke's** attractive home in **Sausalito**. **Keg Stebbins** and **Tom Malin** called on **Peyton** at the hotel and he had a nice chat with **Stew Stewart** on the phone. **Dr. Ben Mesick** and his good wife **Evelyn** have really taken to the **Southwest**. They have sold their home in **California** and purchased a new one in **Tucson**. **Ben** used two different pieces of stationery: one to advertise the **University of Arizona** where he and **Emil Lenzner** have positions on the staff and faculty, and the other to show a panorama of **Tucson**. Looks really beautiful. **Ben Russell** and **Janet Moses** are keeping busy and enjoy life in **Dallas, Tex.**

George O'Neill underwent major surgery in **October**. At my last report he was making a good recovery.

John and Winnie Ramsey have returned to their home in **San Antonio** after some two or three years in **Mexico**. **Hey and Anne Roberts** upon being called back from their summer vacation found that thieves had ransacked their home. We are all very sorry and hope that they may be able to recover their property. **Anne** gave a very good report on the fine homes of **Dud and Gladys Dudley** and **Craig and Dorothy Alderman**. **Ray Robins** is making a slow recovery from his 6-week hospitalization with a serious kidney infection. **Don and Beulah Rule** have a trained blue-jay, **Herman**. **Herman** attends all the parties, takes food from the hand of anyone who will feed him, and generally entertains the guests.

Earl and Mabel Scott are justly proud of their two granddaughters. Daughter **Helen** gave birth to **Brita Katherine Nordberg** in **New York** last **April**. Daughter-in-law **Helen D'Zmura**, wife of **Earl Jr.**, presented them with the second granddaughter in **October**. **Jean and Hank Scott** have had it rough this fall. An 81-year-old man, driving an automobile without brakes, pinned **Hank** against the wall of a store and at the same time smashed the plateglass window. **Hank** was very lucky not to suffer cuts or broken bones. She was confined to her bed for over a month because of the accident. **Scotty** had bursitis so badly in his right shoulder that

he took a series of shots for over a week. He says it was really a bad show. Elaine Marguerite, the daughter of Bill and Mary Sexton, was married on 15 September to Mr. Jack Clair Sowers in Los Angeles. Elaine is a graduate of Duke and a member of Pi Beta Phi. Peggy and Les Skinner decided that they would like to live in Asheville, N.C., so purchased a home there. Les then took up real estate in Asheville. A drink on the house to anyone of the Herd passing through. Doug and Kitty Smith, living aboard their yacht, are back at Dinner Key Marina in Miami for the winter. Doug was skipper and pilot for half the trip to New England this summer and all the way back this fall. He feels very competent now but expects to stay in Florida waters this winter. Luke Smith, back in the fold as a result of Bob Harper's report, is in charge of public relations at the expanding Ling-Temco-Vought Corp. Mark and Lilla Smith are very proud of daughter Sandra. She was named Miss Coast Guard for 1961. She also had been Miss Boston and later Miss Massachusetts. Stew Stewart has sold his business and qualified for social security. I agree, Stew, complete retirement is the only answer, of course with social security. Ken Strother announced that he had been cowed by numbers but after due consideration decided that he could be justly proud of Robert James Nicol born on 17 June 1961. Robert is the son of Lieut. and Mrs. Donald J. (Joanna Strother) Nicol, USNR.

Dick Thomas married Mrs. Betty M. Thiele on 14 November in Clearwater, Fla. Congratulations, Dick. Max Tracy reports that as Chairman of the United Fund raising campaign in Lexington, Va., he was able to improve on his target of \$34,500.00 by some \$11,500.00, raising a total of \$46,000.00. Please give me the details on how you do it, Max.

George Wrockloff has had a siege in the hospital but is reported to be doing well.

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These notes (going to press 10 December) will establish a record for brevity. You have recently received Daddy Dunn's fine detailed report; there is no sense in rehashing this just to fill space. Nothing new has happened, except the third successive loss to Navy. The cadets are glum; they really wanted to win this one. Spirit and enthusiasm the week before the game exceeded anything I have seen in my 23 years here. Our seats are in with the brass, so we saw no classmates at the game. Did see Ed Garbisch and Charlie Saltzman briefly at the Oklahoma game, both looking fine. Had arranged with Ed to get material for an article in the Navy game issue of the POINTER on his memorable four-field-goal victory over Navy in 1924. Couldn't make the deadline, but we'll do it next year. Nick Nicholas just returned from a 2-week vacation jaunt to Puerto Rico and Florida. The best of everything to all of you for 1962.

Just caught the printer in time to insert this sad item just received. A note from Helen DePew informs that Jack passed away on 15 November, after a long and painful illness. Services will be at West Point at a later date, when Helen can come east.

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Anky Ankenbrandt reports from Villanova, Pa. that there is a Naples, Fla., in his future when he retires from RCA. He and Connie will try to keep tabs on Coke Carter. Wally and Elizabeth Barnes checked in from Cardiff Calif., where Convair Astronautics is keeping Wally busy. Brookner Brady and Marge are in Sausalito, Calif., where he is in his fourth year of teaching Electronics in Senior High School with ocean yacht-racing as a hobby. Marge has been a city councilwoman there for the past three years.

Bob Broadhurst is senior partner of Robert C. Broadhurst & Co., Certified Public Accountants, Crowley, La. He says that he has retired from all other business affiliations and he and Mimi are just relaxing. Jimmie and Mary Van Horn are in Geneva, Switzerland, where he is with IRO. Jimmie had an operation last January for a detached retina, with a subsequent embolism, necessitating a long period of recuperation. Doing nicely now, he reports.

Dutton and Margaret McNerney write from their lakefront home Cedar Shores, New Prague, Minn., that they enjoy their summer vacationing children and grandchildren. Son Charles, a Citadel graduate, is a lieutenant in Germany. "Florida in January," they say. Lucky devils. Spud and Gen Murphy are in Los Angeles where Spud is Executive Secretary, Committee on Prosthetics Research and Development of the National Academy of Science. Their goal is the improvement of prosthetic devices for amputees and the crippled.

At class gatherings interest is always expressed as to who is still on active duty, and where they are. Here's the dope as of 1 December—accuracy not guaranteed. Our four-star general, Leon Johnson, barely got retired on 31 July when he was recalled to duty as Director, Net Evaluation Sub-Committee, National Security Council.

There are three Lt. Gens. toiling: Don Booth, commanding Fourth Army at Ft. Sam Houston; Bill Ennis, Director, Weapons Evaluation Group, Office, Secretary of Defense; and Jack Ryan at the Presidio of San Francisco, driving the Sixth Army. Eddie Watson writes from Portland, Ore., that Jack put on a good show in mid-November for 300 members and guests of the Columbia River Chapter, AUSA, where he spoke on "National Security and the Reserve." A fourth Lt. Gen. Harry Storke, retired 30 September from CG, Allied Ground Forces, Southeastern Europe, with station in Turkey. No permanent retirement location yet; temporarily in Washington, D. C.

There are five Maj. Gens. still active. Bill Baker is Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, USAREUR, Heidelberg; Ralph Osborne is Don Booth's Deputy with Fourth Army; Frank (Bill) Bowen is in London consorting with the Navy, as Deputy CINCNELM, Unified Staff. (Translated, that means Naval Forces, Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean.) Lew Griffing is in the guiding light at the Artillery and Guided Missile Center, Ft. Sill. Ed McDaniel, The Inspector General, US Army, keeps them all on the ball.

Then we have Val Heiberg, our permanent professor at West Point, while Bill Walker is on duty with The American Battle Monuments Commission in Washington.

The Washington group of '26 meets every fourth Thursday at 1230 hours for luncheon in the Army-Navy Club. Visiting classmates and ex-classmates are always most welcome. John Strickler, 1679 35th Street, NW, Washington 6, D. C., telephone FEderal 8-1125, is the fall guy for these affairs. On hand at our last luncheon on 26 October were Bill Ennis, Harry Storke, Red Corderman, Charlie Connolly (ex-'26), Morrie Nelson, Ed McDaniel, Herb Ehr Gott, Freddie Munson, Johnny Strickler, and the two Walkers, Bill and R.S.W. (ex-'26).

All of you had better start sending in your news notes or I will have to make up scandal and gossip to keep this column full and interesting.

'27

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First mention for this issue goes to the results that have followed from Woody Burgess's letter to the Class re the 35th Reunion and the "Class of '27 Award." Just before deadline Woody reported that reunion answers so far "show that the total of the percentages of 'probability of coming,' when divided by 100, comes to the encouraging total of 42.8." As for the response to the questions concerning the continued award of the class watch, they have been continuing at a ratio of four to one in favor; and the fund to support the award is approaching that considered necessary for its perpetuation. Woody has also received from the Superintendent confirmation that the Academy is delighted that the class is planning on continuing the award and wants a member of the class to present "it not only at our 35th reunion but each year for many years to come." To close this section, let those concerned take note that Woody still desires replies from the more than 40 from whom we have not yet heard. In all likelihood, ere this ASSEMBLY, the class will have again heard, directly and individually, from Woody on these matters.

Brief vital statistics from the Navy Game (source Burgess) report sightings of the following classmates: Bixels, Burdges, Garlands, Derbys, Ostenbergs, Ferrines, and Thiebauds, and of course the Burgesses. The Jack Burdges came all the way from Gainesville, Fla., and although they brought no victory charm, they seem to have brought unusually balmy weather for that otherwise saddening afternoon. Furthermore, from "a usually reliable source" came information to the effect that Stan Meloy was at the game also, in fact flying to Philadelphia with President Kennedy. Anyway, we can now start pulling for a win in '62.

Social notes are scarce. However, on 16 September last, at Bobby and Katherine Lowe's home in Fairfax County, Harry and Helen McKinney threw a very special party for the area classmates, and for many other visitors, civilian and political. It was Mac and Helen's first full-strength descent upon the Washington Area — an arrival from Lake Wales, Fla., which made more jovial history for old Fairfax, and even for nearby Arlington, Alexandria, Montgomery, and the District. Adding both charm and enthusiasm, Blair and Dotty Garland were down from Pennsylvania. All in all, a simply fine evening was enjoyed for miles around.

Not long after the party referred to above, the **Lowes** departed the area for a tour of what promises to be interesting duty in Seoul. Bobby is Field Director for the Korean-American Foundation, APO 301, San Francisco. How long to be away? Bob's guesstimate in November was for any period from one to three years.

A West Coast party which must not be neglected in reporting was that in early fall given by the **James P. Jenningses**, ex-'27, for the San Francisco Area classmates. It was an authentic Hawaiian party — in dress, of course—and as **Berrigan's** newsreport had it, with “replicas of island food and drink.” (Shades of **Wong of Wahiawa** arise at thoughts of “replicas” of “native drink!”) Enjoying the **Lei Aloha** dancers were a number of lovers of the dance, including the families **Holtzworth**, **Pachynski**, **Berrigan**, **Douglas**, **Hocker**, **Parsell**, **Peirce**, **Conrad**, **McManus**, and **Roth**. Paul sent along some engaging snapshots too, but we will save them for the Reunion.

Tom Watlington, reporting on a fall trip to San Antonio, commented that **Jack Griffith**, execing for United Services Automobile Association, “looks and is fine.” Wat also inclosed a news story with picture from the **San Antonio Light**, 3 September 61, featuring our own **Christian G. Nelson** and his master's thesis at Trinity University dealing “with the story of Guard activity from Reconstruction days through the Spanish-American war.” **Chris**, who was to teach American history at San Antonio College this fall, has apparently had at least one nibble, so to speak, by one book publisher, although the *Light* continued that “no commitment has yet been made for publication.” Congratulations and fond hopes!

Just under the wire as the office was closing for the Winter issue came a *carte postale*, with attractive view of Notre Dame, giving a succinct report on the European travels of **Jack** and **Ova Hines**, referred to in the last issue. Apparently they have seen almost every friend west of the Berlin Wall, naming the **Bobby Howzes**, **Al Watsons**, **Gordon Rogerses**, **Wirt Williamses**, and the **Jimmy Gavins** from other classes and our own **Gar** and **Verone Davidson** at Stuttgart. After 12 days in Paris they were due to return to Washington in mid-December.

Chuck Stone, VP and Hydraulic Group Executive for American Brake Shoe Company, Los Angeles, sent in a welcome letter, acknowledging that “old nostalgia must have reared its head when I read the notes in the Summer 1961 issue of *ASSEMBLY*.” He continued, “Perhaps this attitude was brought on somewhat by running across **Ed Mechling**, **Blair Garland**, and **Larry Kuter** at the Air Force Association Convention in Philadelphia. Ed and I, in particular, talked about the 35th Reunion and both agreed that we would be on hand in a big way.” Chuck included a current family report as follows: “I am living at 10717 Lindbrook Drive, Los Angeles 24, with my same wife of 30 years ago and one post-war dividend daughter, age 13. My oldest daughter is married and has produced two grandchildren and is living in Phoenix. My son, a Ranger Airborne Infantry type, was just married in Panama.” The latchstring is out in LA for any of the class that pass through, **Chuck** asserts.

Jack Spurgeon, ex-'27, seems to prove that statistics (see below) may be incorrect on class perusal of *ASSEMBLY*, for he reported

that the story in the Summer issue of his **HOWITZER** wants brought quick results. “I have achieved ¾ of my **HOWITZER** goal,” he writes. “The **McNamees**, **Thelma** and **Bill**, generously sent me both a '27 and a '26—a windfall!” He still needs a '24 in order to cover, he says, “the class years and to provide me with almost endless reminiscent browsing.” (Thundering Herd please copy.)

Wink Ehrgott, Christiana, Pa., than whom few are more remembered in the class, sent in a most enthusiastic follow-up letter (to phone and indirect report) on the son and heir born to the **Ehrgotts** on 14 February 1961 at Lancaster and christened **Winston Wilder, Junior**. Being **Wink's** first personal contribution to the population problem, he is understandably excited at the prospect of Junior's membership in “the Class of 1982, or thereabouts,” as he times it. The young fellow was met at the hospital with a rendition of “The Corps,” **Wink** solemnly asserts, and an early (if not earliest) head covering was **Wink's** antique Kaydet dress cap. We can all hope that this young man carries out **Wink's** ambition for him — and we may also muse a bit on the likelihood that he may become as accurate a Tac-shooter as was his impulsive dad.

From the replies that **Burgess** received to his letter on class financing and such, this correspondent ferreted some news from some of our usually Very Silent Classmates. For example, **Fox B. Conner**, a country man with space around him, gives this gentle urging to those headed for the Reunion: “We have a house in the country here in Ossining, about 15 miles from West Point, on about 4½ acres, with swimming pool, if any use could be made of it during reunion.” There doubtless will! Or **Chubby Doan's** closing into the Washington area, with retirement in late November, to be at home in Silver Spring, Md. And **Hans Holmer** (none more silent and sparing of words on the West Coast!): “Still at the same old job. Have a granddaughter age 2 (daughter's child). Expect a second grandchild in October (son's).” Yes, and we have barristers, too, like **George Levings**, attorney-at-law, Hillsboro, N.C., who prophesies “the 35th should be a wham-bang for all of us old fuddy-dufs that can get the strength to make it. Since retiring here a couple of years ago I have managed to keep busier than I had wanted to be — but it's great this way.” Even **Antulio Segarra**, a savings-and-loan vice president or comparable in Puerto Rico, wrote that he was planning a trip in the early winter to the States, “going out as far as Minnesota, to spend a little time with my daughter and grandson and at the same time taking in a convention in Chicago.” Also **Jack Sterling** showed an address in Arlington, Va., at dominating Arlington Towers, asserting that it provided “a sort of base of operations while traveling, particularly abroad — for my own amusement and edification.” Then a very shy Air Force type—usually reticent—turned out to be **Uppie Upthegrove**, boasting quietly of a 2-month trip, some 7,500 miles of driving — “visiting our older daughter and other relatives in N.Y. and Pa. and visiting our second daughter and first grandchild, **Patrick**, at Fairchild AFB, Wash.” He added, though, “I sneaked on up to Anchorage for a couple of weeks of hunting and fishing.” And that remark leads to another western classmate, **Joe Swindlehurst** of Livingston, Mont., who reports as follows on an arduous fall: “Have

been busy pheasant hunting. Have been busy duck hunting. Have been busy antelope hunting.” So all in all, even with a quick peering among them, the answers brought out some from whom we appreciate hearing.

However, all of these news bits, brief gleanings, brought to mind some interesting, if depressing, data now at hand. **Mac Miller**, our secretary and treasurer (and we may soon have a treasure if checks continue to flow in to **Woody** in response to the poop-sheet he sent out!), recently in response to the Correspondent's request, asked the Association of Graduates to give us a few statistics as to how many in the Class of 1927 were not—repeat not—shown as taking *ASSEMBLY*. The Association replied that 63 of our some 155 did not subscribe, leaving the strong inference to be drawn that they may not see *ASSEMBLY* and the class news, although such a conclusion is not necessarily completely valid, of course. However, it is evidently true that we do not communicate thoroughly through this column. Only a crash project, such as **Woody's** letter on Awards and Reunion, can seem to reach more: at deadline he had heard from about 110, many of whom did not sound as though they had heard of either of the subjects of his letter through any previous mention in this column. Well, what this adds up to, I guess, is that we need more—all—to become approachable through this quarterly magazine. It will save us class money (for **Woody's** special letters do cost!) and will keep us homogeneous for the long years ahead. So let us hope that our percentage of classmates who see this *ASSEMBLY* will increase this year.

'28

John D. Billingsley
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Another football season has come and gone. With six home games there was an unusually large representation from the class seen during the season, these included the **Ludlams**, **McLemores**, **Bulgers**, **McLennans**, **Reynolds**, **Webbs** and the **Steeds**. Attending the Homecoming Dinner Dance were the **Ludlams**, **McLemores**, **Bulgers**, **McLennans**, and **Billingsleys**. Seen at the Penn State game were the **Ludlams** and the **Traubs**. Saw the **Ludlams** also at the Oklahoma game, but saw no other representation at the Michigan game. The **Webbs**, the **Gavins**, and **Billingsleys** were in Philadelphia last week end.

Best wishes to **Bim Wilson** and **Frank Everest** upon their retirement after brilliant careers in the Air Force. In this connection received the following from **Skippy Harbold**: “Receipt of the recent *ASSEMBLY* reminded me that I had failed to make a report on the Everest retirement ceremonies and festivities as intended. Anyhow these were on the 28th and 29th of September at Langley. Gathered for the dinner were **McLennan**, **Boatner**, **Kissner**, **Olive** and **Harbold**. Some nearby Army types were present for the ceremonies next day including **Upham**, **Denniston**, and **Van Natta**. The graduation was successful. Last week end **Steve** and I journeyed to Waco to witness the AFA-Baylor game, which was very uninteresting from our point of view. There we saw **Charlie Born** who had come in from Dallas. He is back in Dallas with Texas Instrument, having left Denver. Wife **Bill** is still there trying to sell the house. No

change in the local contingent here in San Antonio."

Bill Coldwell reports the following: "After retirement in 1958 I went back to school for two years (S. F. State) on a Ford Foundation Fellowship. Then here to Orlando University where I taught mathematics. After a year I moved up to Dean of Men but still teach some math. Marge and three children, 10, 11, 13 all doing well. No '28-ers in this area: wish some would move in."

Joe Bulger is with Robert C. Sellers and Associates with offices at 1000 Franklin Avenue, Garden City, Long Island.

Congratulations to **Andy McNamara** and **P. D. Adams** for their selection to head up DSA and Strike Command.

'29

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Abe Lincoln writes from West Point that the Homecoming Week-end there attracted **Bo Bubard** "looking his normal well-preserved self (a well-preserved 35 or so)" and **Ed Cruise** and wife. Cruise is teaching history part-time at Fairleigh Dickenson University in New Jersey and seems very happily interested in that university and in teaching, thinking about the problems of our national scene, and similar educational interests. Lincoln is reading proof on a new book "The Dynamics of International Politics," soon to be published by MacMillan, on which he is collaborating with Professor Norman Padelford of MIT. Abe hopes that all members of the class will select this effort for their bedtime reading. Abe continues his usual many-sided activities on the national and international scene (though he terms all this "nothing unique to report"). In addition to heading the Department of Social Sciences, whose rather considerable departmental duties are now expanded by the elective program of the new USMA curriculum, he has been doing some work for the US disarmament people in Washington and acting as a consultant in connection with setting up the new public service school underwritten by the recent large grant to Princeton University.

Twenty-Nine has no sons in the new plebe class. **David J. Phillips** graduates in '62; in '63 are **E.H.J. Carns, Jr.**, **J.R. Hannigan**, **W.Y. Robbins**, and **J.S. Walker**; in '64 **D.S. Bennett** and **S.E. Draper**. Young **Bill Robbins** is following in his father **Chan's** horsemanship activities to the best of his ability in the modern age; he's a Varsity mule-rider.

Also from **Chan** and **Betty Robbins** in Austin, Tex., comes delayed news that they (together with **Gordon** and **Jeanne Cusack '31**) are the grandparents of **Bonnie Maverick Robbins**, who arrived in Munich, Germany, in late July 1961.

The October class luncheon of the Washington Group at the Army and Navy Town Club developed other grandparent news. **Jupe Lindsey** was celebrating the arrival of his second grandchild the day before when **Jack Stone** capped the conversation by announcing that he and **Nina** have nine grandchildren, with two of their four children still unmarried. This was an easy winner in the Twenty-Nine Grandbaby Sweepstakes in the Washington Group. Entries are now open for possible contenders for this title throughout the class, but the Stones are still bringing



1929 two-man reunion: Lefty Mace (left) in Phil Draper's office at ARADCOM Hq.

up reinforcements. Their son, **Thomas E.**, who graduates from USNA (Canoe College, they call it) in 1962, plans a June wedding to **Miss Lucille Virginia Lee**. **Jack**, who was retired for physical after World War II, worked for various business firms for a while and has now completed five years in Civil Service with the Air Force Inspector General's office.

Jim Winn, who lives at Garrison, Md., is now working for Stein Bros. and Boyce (stocks and bonds) in Baltimore, and **Herb Milwit** is now Executive Vice President of Combined Consultant Services, Inc., consulting engineers, here in Washington. **Bill McCulla** from Pittsburgh, was our only out-of-town member at the October luncheon, and it was the last regular class affair (except on a commuting basis) for **Dave Buchanan**, who has been ordered to Hq CONARC at Ft. Monroe, where he will be chief of staff.

Larry and **Betty Bork's** daughter **Sally** was married in early September at Ft. Stewart, Ga., (where Larry is CG) to Lt. Earle Forrest Lasseter, USA.

Tom and **Cecile Conley's** son, **Edgar T. Conley, Jr.**, was married here in Washington in October to **Miss Mary Louise Donnelly**.

Bill Hall was retired as a Lt. Gen. in October at Robins AFB, Ga. Bill, who had been commander of the Continental Air Command for over four years, was awarded the DSM at his retirement review. **Bozo McKee** represented the Chief of Staff of the Air Force at the ceremonies, and according to poop he provided. Bill was the recipient of other public service awards, including an official commendation from the City of Tulsa, Okla. (Bill's home state), presented by Tulsa businessman **James Leake**.

In another recent retirement ceremony, **Pinky Wetzel** received the DSM when he re-



Bill Hall '29, with **Marguerite**, receiving commendation from City of Tulsa, presented by **James Leake**, Tulsa businessman.

tired as a Lt. Gen., USAF, from the position of Chief of Staff, UN Command and US Forces in Korea.

The class congratulates **Bill** and **Pinky** on their long and distinguished service and wishes them and their families every happiness.

Frank Merrill's *Marauders* continue to be written about, the latest author being **Newt Hunter**, who was Frank's chief of staff in the *Marauders*. **Newt**, who is living in San Antonio, is reported to be well along on the manuscript of a book on the subject.

In another branch of the arts, **Tom** and **Eileen Hammond's** 11-year-old son, **Nicky**, has become a film and stage actor. Last summer he spent 10 weeks in Puerto Rico playing the part of a British boy in the movie "The Lord of the Flies," and this fall he was selected to again play a British boy in the Broadway production of **Graham Greene's** play "The Compliant Lover." **Eileen Hammond** had acted in London before she and **Tom** were married, but up to this time **Nicky** had been more interested in Cub Scouts than in theatrical activities. **Nicky's** ability to manipulate a British accent was in part responsible for his plunge into acting.

Bob Love, who lives in San Francisco, has turned his talents to inventing and says that he has "a gadget that might bring luck. At any rate the patent attorney has it now." We hope it's a money-making gadget, **Bob**, as long as it's not counterfeit \$20 Bills which have been current in the Washington area this fall.

On a recent trip for the Weapons System Evaluation Group, where he is the Army Deputy Chief, **Lefty Mace** saw **Phil Draper** for a two-man reunion in Phil's office in Hq ARADCOM in Colorado Springs.

Vic and **Tillie Vickrey** are settled in their permanent retirement home, 113 Medora Road, Linthicum Heights, Md., just outside of Baltimore. They built a beautiful rambler on a wooded lot near **Tillie's** childhood home, and close-by are **Tillie's** family, the **Linthicums**, for whom the town was named. **Luster A. Vickrey, Jr.**, is a captain in the regular Air Force and has just been transferred to France. **Tillie** and **Vic** hope to visit him there and see Europe, an area which they missed during **Vic's** active service. Their daughter, **Suzu (Matilda, Jr.)** has recently joined her Marine Corps Lt. husband in Japan, on a tourist status, Marine wives not being authorized Government travel to that overseas area. **Vic** and **Tillie** are going in heavily for gardening—both flower and vegetable—on their place, and **Tillie** says if they do as much canning this year as they did last year they're going to have to build a separate kitchen for the operation. Between gardening and landscaping, **Vic** has taken courses at the University of Maryland to qualify for teaching in that state and may become a math teacher.

Glen Williamson writes from 463 Scarsdale Road, Tuckahoe, N.Y., that he was very proud to have **Ed Lasher** participate in a New York meeting on a National Transportation Policy Program which **Glen** is heading up for his firm, **Ebasco Services**, 2 Rector St., New York City. **Glen** is with the Management Consultant Division of the firm and has a comprehensive article in the November 1961 issue of the *National Civics Review* on "The New Supersonic Crisis," the airport and general transportation problems which need to

be solved by metropolitan centers to meet the coming advent of the 2,000 mile-per-hour aircraft in commercial service. Glen had high praise for Ed Lasher's attainments as one of the Nation's most highly regarded transportation experts. Ed is President of North American Car Corporation with headquarters in Chicago.

Dave Angluin was in Washington recently from California and had lunch with George Reilly. George reports Dave in fine shape and working in the electronic data processing field in the use of digital computers in programming functions. (George says he's only a lawyer working for the Civil Aeronautics Board and just hopes he's got the electronics terms correct.)

Kai Rasmussen, who is an old Japanese language hand and Far East intelligence student and analyst, and who works for a research facility connected with American University here in Washington, has just returned from an extensive trip to Southeast Asia, including Bangkok and Saigon, to establish some projects there. He saw Paul Harkins briefly in Honolulu, where Paul is chief of staff of US Army, Pacific. Kai plans another trip to the same area soon.

Jim Quill has been ordered from the NATO headquarters at Fontainebleau, France, to become the Army Deputy Commandant of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces here in Washington and will report in early December. Congratulations, Jim, and welcome to the Washington Group.

Jupe Lindsey is distributing the new class address list as of 1 December 1961. Jupe has been in a period of great activity with his duties as Assistant to the President of the Army Distaff Foundation, for the Distaff Hall is rapidly being completed and is due to open in mid-January 1962.

In connection with the centralizing of class business and records here in Washington, Jupe has received the record book of class meetings held while we were cadets. The book is still a model of neatness and accuracy, reflecting the fine Rinehart Slant Lettering of Dick Wentworth as class secretary and the firm hand of Don Zimmerman as class president. The meetings recorded range from the first on Fort Clinton parapet in July of our yearling summer to the last in the Math Writ Room of the old West Academic Building on Washington's Birthday, 1929. The last meeting was a stormy one—on the subject of the proposal for a class wedding present. The Commandant—C.B. Hodges, Lt. Col., Inf, later Maj. Gen.—in reviewing the minutes, noted that five motions were before the house at one time, and he invited the attention of class officers to Roberts Rules of Order. The motions were finally sorted out, however, and the class voted on the wedding present—in the negative, as the parliamentarians say. Recorded among the substantive actions of the class as cadets were the provision of a memorial for Pfanckuchen, a signed testimonial to Colonel Wirt Robinson on his retirement as Professor of Chemistry, and the establishment of a fund for the class cup for the first-born son (in lieu of melting down the napkin rings, most of which had been lost).

The Washington Group plans class lunches the second Wednesdays in February and April. Note these dates if you're going to be in the area.

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Dear Gang:

Those of you who subscribe to *ASSEMBLY* will have read in the October issue my brief entry explaining why we were not represented therein. My memo about the Class Fund and Thirty-Year Book brought me a gratifying blizzard of notes and comment. In the hope that the editor will be indulgent as to space, let me proceed to note down some of the voluminous data I collected.

Wally Ahearn says, "I am still in the business of National Defense because of employment by the City of Providence as Civil Defense Director. Having been on the job for almost three years now and been a close observer of the operations of City Hall, I have learned much about politics and politicians. I find that my stomach is too weak to permit me to seek political office. . . All hail to Frank Kowalski, who apparently has a strong stomach." Dana Alexander writes that he and his wife spent the summer on a "space available" cruise to the Orient, which he highly recommends to those fond of travel, especially since colonels and above get VIP treatment. He mentions that Happy Brooks was on the same transport from San Francisco to Japan. Fred and Dot Ammerman proudly report that their son Freddy won a Congressional appointment and is now a plebe at West Point. Fred Atkinson has signed a contract to teach chemistry at Oxon Hill High School near Washington and he and Claire have bought a house in a suburb just over the line in Maryland.

Ben Beasley gave up his engineering job in France and came back to settle in Falls Church and sell real estate for Tatum Properties, Inc. Clif Blackford, after a 7-month sojourn in Cuernavaca, Mexico, has returned to the States to live, at least temporarily, in California. Harry Boyd finished his graduate work at Duke University, took time out for a tumor operation (successful) and has taken a position as assistant professor of math at Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie. I previously reported that Carl Brandt had been talked out of retiring and was back on active duty. This was apparently misinformation, since he is now listed (officially) by the Air Force locator as retired and living in San Antonio. Ray Brisach came home from his ICA job in Ankara to spend the summer with his daughter Beverly in Alexandria, then signed up for two more years with AID (successor to ICA) in Ankara. He hopes to come home permanently in 1963 and eventually settle down in Asheville. Another pair of Mexican sojourners were Eunice and Dick Bristol who, after an extended bit of touring, have also decided on California as the place to live. Norm Burnett has settled in Fort Worth, where his prime job is managing a ranch that he and his brother own in their old home town of Graham, some 90 miles away.

Our irrepressible entrepreneur JoJo Carithers writes at length and with great enthusiasm about the Concord-Mt. Diablo Trail Ride Association (a helluva long name for a "horse club") of which he and Beth are very active members, JoJo being vice-president of it this year. All kinds of strenuous things, like brush fires and bucking horses, keep him busy at his number one hobby. He is still with the county Flood Control Service, looks forward to retirement therefrom in five years

when, he says, "I will devote my *entire* time to horses." A note from Paul Clark tells me that he and Frances have been "touring" since his retirement, still undecided as to where they want to locate permanently. His Washington bank keeps track of his whereabouts as well as his wherewithal. Clint Cloud continues to be our most consistent peripatetic. His duties with the export division of Yale and Towne summon him to all manner of faraway places, most recently Australia. Freddie Crabb was discharged from Fitzsimmons hospital last winter and has returned to the Great Northwest to build a home on Puget Sound. He offers his hospitality there to any "old and cherished friends who want or need a rest or vacation in bachelor comfort. For those who fancy themselves as qualified for duty in our oldest sister service I also maintain a nice 32-foot cruiser." Stu and Lahoma Crawford find his job with Texas A&M and life in Bryan very satisfying, especially since their two daughters are within easy visiting distance, the older one married and living in Oklahoma City, the younger athletic director at the YWCA in Galveston. Bob Cron has moved to the San Francisco Bay Area to be with the University of California Institute of Transportation and Traffic Engineering, which at least *sounds* like a big job! Jimmy Curtis, after batting around Texas for a while, has gone to work for Coldwell, Banker & Company (in which Jim Brett is a partner) and says he thinks he and Alide "are going to enjoy this Bay Area immensely. At any rate, it's the number one choice of the medicos, so I told them I was going to give their recommendations a fair shake!"

Jim Darrah is "still assistant manager of the local Chamber of Commerce (Vancouver) and still against deficit spending on the part of the Federal Government. . . My four boys are doing fine and I have two wonderful grandchildren." Charlie Dodge has jumped from the frying pan into the fire, having been moved from a tough job as AC/S for Reserve Affairs to the even more perilous one of Chief of Information. And this without additional pay or rank! I find in the social notes of a recent *ANAF Journal* announcement of the engagement of Frank Dohs' second daughter Mary Ellen to a young man named Basil Acey who is a student in the School of Architecture at the University of Virginia. Mary Ellen is a graduate of Stuart Hall and Sweet Briar. Beverly (Dohs) is now Mrs. Dudley Overbey, living in Danville, Va. Jack Dudley, faced with a decision between better pay or better climate, chose the climate and has settled in Long Beach where he teaches Civil Engineering at Long Beach State College.

Charley Eastburn is "doing graduate work in history at the University of Virginia and trying to grow up with an active 5-year-old son," both of which he says he finds "stimulating." As one of our most recent fathers, Charley may have a son in the Class of 1978! Spike Eckert, you will all be glad to hear, has made a good recovery from his heart ailment and reports that he is fit, restless, and looking for a job in either business or Government. Tom Edgar has left VMI for a better job at Roanoke Technical Institute where he and Jean have bought a home. Wank Ewbank, after a round-the-world cruise, has gone to work in the Defense Systems Division of General Motors. I saw him at a recent symposium at Ft. Knox and he is obviously well and pleased with his lot in life.

Carl Fernstrom has parted from Philco and

plans to go after more education, probably at Texas Western College. Alva Fitch has moved up a notch, recently appointed to be AC/S—Intelligence after being the deputy for a couple of years. Buck Folk, as he puts it, is "an account executive (usually called broker) with Harris, Upham & Co. . . and likes it better than being a colonel who has been doing a colonel's job for several years." Art Fuller, working with two other retired flies, is sponsoring a deluxe apartment complex for retired officers called "La Fortaleza." Anyone interested in settling in the El Paso area should get in touch with Art.

Seaford Garton's element of General Motors moved itself (and Seafood) to Santa Barbara, where he and Mary have a charming house, as I can testify, having seen pictures of it in the course of a long and conversational evening when Seafood came through Washington this fall. The ANAF Journal reported in September the engagement of John Frank Greco, Jr., to Miss Eleanor Mellott of White Plains. John Guthrie, as most of you know, was re-married in July and has gone to work as Vice President of Motec Industries, a new firm in Minnesota that is the successor to the old Minneapolis-Moline Co.

Chuck Heitman is "enjoying the job of Deputy City Manager (of Colorado Springs) . . . not much different from running a post . . . same old business of trying to keep people happy." Ham and Mary Howze have really had a merry time trying to keep up with the changes in his orders. Slated last summer to be Deputy Commandant of NWC upon his return from Korea, Ham found these orders changed before he even started and went to CONARC instead. They were there just a month when the new Strike Command was organized and they had to pack up and move to Bragg where Ham commands STRAC. A happy note in all this turmoil is a well-deserved third star for Ham. Dick Hutchinson, when last heard from, was attending summer school in Long Beach, hoped to be able to continue with it and eventually become a teacher. I note in the ANAF Journal that Carl Hutton retired in October and moved to Palo Alto. Don't know what he's doing, if anything.

Chuck Keller reports that Rod and Georgia Carmichael were welcome overnight guests chez Keller a few months ago. Ed Kumpe, who you might think is educated enough, says "now en route for my PhD . . . target, June '63 . . . sure glad I don't have to run a Troop Info Program these days." We're all indebted to Ted Bogart for his fine obituary of Bing Kunzig that appeared in the fall issue of ASSEMBLY. And speaking of Ted, it does seem as though the class has the Caribbean area pretty well under control, with Andy O'Meara as CINC, Ted as the Army commander and Red Carter as Governor of the Canal Zone. Wonder how come this Castro type has the gall to continue operating in the face of such an array!

Another exceptionally fine obit was the one for Kurt Landon prepared by Prep Bradley. This sort of personal service is the finest tribute we can pay to our deceased members. The junior generation of the Millard Lewis family made the news when their daughter Susie married Richard Croninger, son of an Air Force officer. I am interested to note that he is a student at the Deep Sea Diving Academy, which seems like going to extremes to disassociate oneself from the flying types!

A note from Mandy Mandelbaum tells me

that he's still enjoying his work at Stanford Research Institute after a year-and-a-half there. I see Howard McCoy fairly often, since his office (General Precision, Inc.) is in the same building as the Washington Office of North American Aviation where I hang out when I'm not fiddling with this sort of thing. Tom Mifflin has settled in this area, teaching at Anacostia High School. Congratulations to Troup Miller, who reluctantly accepted a third star and command of the Air University in lieu of retirement.

Noel Neal writes enthusiastically of his life in Florida where he has "a beautiful home on the ocean near Patrick AFB with my third wife, 22-month-old daughter (pausing to mention my two sons by my first wife—26 and 27 years old, the younger studying at MIT for his PhD in nuclear physics), a beautiful German Shepherd puppy, a parakeet, two turtles, and a horde of insects about to destroy my landscape!" Turk Nelson is with RCA, travels a great deal, was last heard from in the Norfolk area.

A note from Robin Odenweller speaks of their Air Force son, of whom Charlie is very proud. And a note from Jeannette Olin tells me that Charlie has been having a rough time with high blood pressure, but on the advice of the medicos has continued to work (for Land-Air Electronics) "rather than sit around worrying."

Jack Pauley, who stayed on in Germany as civilian manager of the Berchtesgaden Recreation Area for a year after his retirement, has now gone to work for the European branch of American Machine & Foundry, with offices in Wiesbaden. Bill Perry is site manager of a "Titan" installation for the Martin Company and reports that he's never been so busy and finds the job a real challenge. Pete Peterson, who has spent more time in Europe than almost anyone else in the class, has really dug in there now, having married a baroness and settled in Frankfurt. Delighted to see Bob Porter named for a third star. He is en route to Ankara to be the US Military Representative to the Central Treaty Organization. Bob Ports continues to flourish as one of our most active alumni in the Bay Area, still finds time to send me periodic—and most welcome—reports of class activities in that busy locale. He tells me that Kay is as active as he, and that Susie is a sophomore at Mills College. Jerry Pospisil has been busy doing graduate work at the University of Nebraska, going for a master's degree in educational psychology. Clare's arthritis has been very bad and they may find a change of climate (to Arizona) necessary.

Howie Quinn, after 10 years of running the port of Callao for the Peruvian government, has resigned that position and returned to Washington, where he hopes to get into some form of international business. A letter from Don Quinto reports ill health but gives no details. He is living in Carmel.

Ed Sachs says he is "doing moderately well" selling real estate in Phoenix. At least he picked a good climate in which to starve. Ross Sampson's son, who graduated from USMA in 1960, has gotten his wings and been assigned to a MATS unit at Kelly AFB. And the younger boy is a freshman at the University of Miami. Slats Schlatter finished his higher education at Duke (don't know whether "magna cum laude" or "mirabile dictu") and is on the staff of Rollins College, conducting their extension courses at Patrick AFB. A rough assignment, no

doubt. Leon Scott reports that he still helps the State Highway Department run that part of the country, and that his 14-year-old daughter has entered high school. Lyman Shaffer has taken up permanent residence in Mexico. His oldest son, who is 18, is in basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, hoping to go to the University of California after his military service. Asa Shannon sent me a nice note, commenting on a visit to Panama a year ago, when he had the pleasure of lunching with the Carters and O'Mearas. The Mark Smiths have bought 11 acres near Aberdeen and can hardly wait until the spring of 1963 to retire and start enjoying their "river view estate." Phil Smith was at the Point last June to present the class gift to his son, Phil Jr. He mentioned seeing Johnnie Murrell and Bob Wood there. Phil's daughter Sandra was married later in the summer to an Air Force lieutenant, Richard Shropshire, and Phil Jr. was one of the ushers in the wedding. All kinds of cheers for Cam Sweeney, our first four-star general except for Larry Norstad. Cam has gone from command of the Eighth Air Force to command of the Tactical Air Command. Not bad for the next-to-the-youngest member of the Class.

Zac Taylor complains of old age, which in his case takes the form of a chronic aching back and children in college. His therapy is simple and (apparently) effective: "Work like hell on a rundown farm. That way you forget the pain in your back and maybe make enough money to keep the kids in school." Red Timothy proudly announces a new MD in the family; his son Bob graduated from Harvard Medical, is interning in Rochester, N.Y. "After planning for 25 years to retire in Texas," writes Mort Townes, "where do we retire? Mobile, Ala! Don't ask me why—we just did." Mort has been for the past year or more a consultant for the Alabama State Docks and has built his "retirement dream house" in Mobile.

Fergie Wall, after a lengthy sojourn in Detroit, has moved to Florida, where the fish are so big that you don't need to lie about them and so plentiful that you never run out of dinner. Johnny Walsh says he has "settled down to become a near-sighted math P at Needham High School." He has a daughter in the University of Massachusetts and a son in senior high. Fritz Weber spent the summer visiting his son in Germany, came home in time to get himself elected mayor of his retirement home town, Lumber Bridge, N.C. Bill Whipple is still hard at work for the New York World's Fair Commission, has moved to Long Island, mentions seeing Paul and Clare Ruestow and says they both look as though retirement agrees with them. Bob Wood, one of our busiest generals, covers an amazing amount of territory flying from one corner of ARADCOM to the other, still finds time to do such important extra-curricular things as delivering the Kermit Roosevelt lecture series in England last spring. He also managed to show up in Washington in September to accept the Berry Trophy from the Secretary of the Army for presentation to the outstanding Air Defense unit in his command. One also hears some interesting conjectures about Bob in connection with the imminent retirement of some senior generals. We may end up running this Army yet! Sid Wooten is doing a stint in Korea and has left Mary here in Washington, where they have owned a house for some years. Andy Wright, from retirement in Panama: "I try to run my

own little business so as to avoid being forced to accept charity. The two eldest children (boys) are married and should be finishing their University studies in the not too far future. The daughter is getting married soon. . . . That means that I should be able in the foreseeable future to reach a status where my wife and I may have a little money to squander on ourselves." Sterling Wright, after years of high-level staff duty, has been properly rewarded by getting that best of all assignments, command of a division—the 2d Armored at Ft. Hood.

And Paul Yount has changed location but not his job; he is still Executive Vice-President of Consolidated Freightways, but has changed his base of operations from California to Akron, Ohio, where he is in better position to play commanding spider in his intricate operational network.

For those who are statistically minded, here are some interesting facts about our far-flung places of residence. At the time I sent out the last address list in November we had residents in 35 states and 10 foreign countries. The D. C. Metropolitan Area claimed the densest (?) population, with 33; California was right behind with 32; Texas had 15; Florida, 12; New York, 10; Virginia, outside the DCMA, showed 8; New Jersey, Ohio and Washington each had 6; North Carolina and Pennsylvania 5 each; Alabama and Colorado 4 each. The others had 3 or less. The foreign countries represented are Canada, France, Germany, Iran, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Panama and Thailand. So far no one claims either China or Russia—or Cuba!

I can't close this without inviting you to join me in a salute to Colonel Norton B. (Curly) Wilson, Class of '31, recently retired from a 4-year tour as Secretary of the Association of Graduates. Curly has been of invaluable assistance to all alumni, but he has been especially helpful to me and all others of our gang who have had occasion to visit the Point during his tenure. If '31 ever disowns him—a highly unlikely prospect—I think '30 will be happy to adopt him! We wish him every kind of good thing in his retirement.

Good luck to all hands. See you in the next issue.

'31

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It is always with regret that I begin this column with sad news, but I was shocked to note in the Fall ASSEMBLY the notice of the death of Jesse Veal last December in San Francisco. I must also report that two of our classmates lost their wives recently. Louis Guenther's wife Nona died in April, shortly after returning from the hospital, and Charlie Raymond's wife Anita died suddenly in September and was buried at West Point. Bill Hampton's father died in September. The sincerest sympathy of the whole class goes out to those who have lost their loved ones.

I hope that most of you have received your copy of the class roster. To those of you that haven't, I suggest that you send in the questionnaire and the check. There were two or three who forgot (?) to enclose the check with their responses. With regard to the roster, I know that there are some errors, but what do you expect for five bucks, Gutenberg. For the statisticians in the class, I have received 167 answers to 240 notes sent out.



From left: Pat Carter, Ash and Ruth Haynes, Carl and Doris Kohls, Dick and Dee Spangler, Bill and Emily Taylor.

I can't begin to answer the notes many of you enclosed, but I do thank you. Also my sincerest thanks for those who have written since the receipt of the roster. If I weren't afraid of being accused of something, I would say I love you all.

The first class luncheon of the Washington area contingent took place in late September and a very unusual election took place in that all those elected were present. Paul Mayo is the class president, Dan Callahan the VP, and yours truly the secretary-treasurer. Any of us three will be glad to hear from any classmates visiting in the area. If it is on a Monday night you might be able to get into Paul Mayo's marching and chowder club.

Maggie Weber and Sam Smellow, ably assisted by Agnes and Marguerite respectively, hosted a nice cocktail party for the area members the night after Thanksgiving. Whether it was too close to turkey time or just a class talent, I don't know, but I did notice that the liquid bar was better patronized than the food bar. Twenty-four of the class with wives (except Pat Hunter and Jessie Cook) were there: Charlie and Fran Bard, Klem and Norma Boyd, Big Swede and Mae Carlson, Bill and Helen Cassidy, Earl Cook, Johnny and Wilma Davis (his second star is still in abeyance, wherever that is) Ted and Suzanne Decker (he and Fred Warren settled the problems of the new frontier), Dick and Jerry Greer, Bill and Betty Hall, Patsy Hunter, Don and Kelley Little (Kelley thinks Charlie Densford should run that list of grandchildren through the computer again), Paul and Gracie Mayo, Frank and Fay Pachler (Frank doesn't even like to be reminded of room "orderly" any more) Ned and Dorothy Purnell, Jerry and Helen Rodenhauer, Shorty and Alice Rothrock, Wilbur and Billie Skidmore (he can now hide behind shorty Rothrock), Sam and Marguerite Smellow, me and Betty and mother-in-law and aunt (both my in-laws remarked on how young we all looked and how nice we were) Fred and Marie Warren, Maggie and Agnes Weber, George and Marian Wertz, Curly and Marian Wilson, and last but not least, Chet and Imogene Young. A good time was had by all.

Frank and Fay Pachler attended Homecoming and report that we had 11 there (more than any class except '56): Bo and Betty Beishline, Don and Catherine Buchwald Bill and Helen Cassidy, Del and Elva Del

Campo, Bill and Betty Hall (these engineers sure get around) Dick and Pat Harrison, Al and Ann Gay, Percy and Margaret Lash, Marv and Pat Coyle, Curly and Marian Wilson, and of course, the Pachlers.

Not many changes since the last notes. George Wertz is finally retired, and I hear the same rumors about George Fletcher. Jack Daley has his third star and is living in a waterfront mansion at Fort Monroe. Those recent earthquakes have been our old coasting artillerymen turning over in our graves. Andy Adams has his second star and remains in Germany. The picture was sent along by Pat Carter and shows him bidding the four stalwarts of '31 a good retirement. They are from left to right: Pat, Ash and Ruth Haynes, Carl and Doris Kohls, Dick and Dee Spangler, and Bill and Emily Taylor. I don't know who gave Doris the hot foot, but she seems to be standing in the shade. Pat said that they had a typically gentleman's retirement party for all, the only trouble being he couldn't find anybody to keep the victrola wound up. Deke Roller was there taking shots of everybody and from every bottle. Thanks, Pat, for the letter and the publications, but I am a bit too old to think of joining up now.

As much of the mail as I can squeeze in our allotted space. Jack Barclay sent me my first Christmas present the other day, a satellite launching car from some train firm. Be assured that it will have a place of honor on the tree, Jack. Charlie Hoy wrote about the trips he is taking and extolled the cooking virtues of Allison Tvler. Charlie and Martha got together with Oz and Allison Tyler for Thanksgiving dinner and in a moment of truth Oz admitted that Allison is the better golfer. Charlie Densford sent me an advertisement for the Densford Ranch, "Steaks and Worms." Draw your own conclusions. Charlie is now a real estate broker in addition to everything else and guarantees personal service to all clients. He almost hooked Julian Chappell recently, but Julian managed to get away. He noted that Harry Candler is a branch bank manager in San Antonio, Beck is managing a store (Monkey Wards) in Moline, Ill., Harry Feagin's boy who graduated from USMA in '57 is studying medicine and is now interning in Ireland. Maybe he can take care of Loren Ayers who is supposed to be in that vicinity. Gordon Cusack reports from San Antonio that he

has passed the stock exchange exams and is ready to do business. Some never do get the word, do they. Who buys ranches and stocks on retired pay? Gordon also notes that he lives close by Jack Gordon and Hector Truly or vice versa. He also sees Johnny Sullivan frequently. Elmo Mitchell wrote a rather blackmailing letter, backed up by a note from Seiss Wagner, concerning my actions at the reunion. On advice from Ted Decker, I am pleading *non corpus mentis*, I think. Marv Coyle writes from NYMA offering to do anything for anybody that doesn't take any exertion, time, or money. I will ignore the remarks of Packer Krueger about book juggling and concentrate on Tom Stayton who invites us all over to his Beneluxurious estate in Brussels. Tom complains that he never sees anyone but does admit to reading the ASSEMBLY (I now have a fan club of one member). I had a letter from Jimmy Stroker (I think), but he doesn't send nice presents like Jack Barclay. Herb Mansfield wrote a nice story, but it doesn't bear repeating in a family-type magazine, but I liked it, Herb. Chuck Westpheling wrote from Fort Worth that Carl Green was attending school to get his Master's Degree in education and that Johnny Inskip had a nice retirement ceremony with lots of helicopters flying around, but had to ride to the club on a tank. I can't think of anything but "tanked up again."

I know I have left a lot out, but there is only so much room for '31, though we deserve more. Keep the news coming and I'll do my best. If any of you want to scan the roster and send in the addresses of those missing or proselyte a bit on the class dues, it will be "duely" appreciated.

'32

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The slate for 1961 was not unanimous as per usual. If you remember, Toughy Horner as chairman of the nominating committee offered a choice of councilmen. A narrow majority selected the first eight names but a large number selected names and gave reasons for selection. Perhaps sometime we can have a really democratic election! (Although I doubt that there will be much campaigning.)

Robot Beach, the new president, really took over. He appointed committees, set up deadlines and in general started things hopping.

The monthly type of dinner, initiated by Harvey Fischer last year, will continue. The first one under guidance of the new regime had a record attendance. Apparently an extreme emergency was the only excuse for non-attendance. As a result, committee chairmen reported action already taken in their field of responsibility together with future planned action. The luncheon carried on smartly until almost two o'clock.

Another detail, which by this time will have been covered by Alex Graham in his class letter, is the matter of a class gift. I can report this: whatever action is taken will not be acceptable to many. There is a great divergence of opinion and hardly a majority in any one phase of offeratories. Some are for, and some are against, a material gift. Some agree with Abner Meek's suggestion. Some are for the establishment of a fund to insure continuity of class action in the future years when loss of support diminishes as members pass into the retired status (not

too far away). I mention this not to drag the old cat out of the bag, but rather to suggest that whatever the action taken may be, it will be an attempt to satisfy the largest number of opinions. Certainly it must be conceded that the response exceeded all expectations, but with such a variety of opinion, that even poor old Solomon would have been frustrated. There seems to be a consensus that an action of some sort should be taken before our 30th Reunion. As a last word—and just to assure you of class interest—even brother Briggs, detached as he is from the center of activities, had a very worthwhile but totally variant opinion. At last it has been decided that a class circulation will be made, giving concrete suggestions based upon ideas received. The result will finally be final. This is from the horse's mouth.

And now to turn to mundane matters. I have a letter from Jackie Schukraft filling us in with the problem of Bob's present status due to the affliction not only of old age but the pressures of modern living. She sends in Bob's dues explaining that, since he has been operated on for a diaphragmatic hernia plus an appendix that ruptured 5 weeks previously, she would have to take over the matter of keeping him up on dues. Ed Howarth take note! I must quote her first paragraph. "Forgive the familiarity but I am assuming the prerogative of any wife of a classmate. Isn't it odd that when I meet a classmate or have communication with one, I promptly feel as if I've met a 'kissin' cuzzin'!" Shades of the wives and widows of 1932! May I suggest to Jackie that she is one of the advance guard of many '32 wives and widows heretofore mentioned in this column who share the same sentiments. More power to all of you.

I also have a clipping from a paper (locale unknown) that reports in some 150 words that Michi Cowan, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Gerard A. Cowan, has left for Paris to major in French, having won the Ohio State contest in Spanish. (What's wrong with Madrid?) This enigma is later clarified when it is explained that she was also a French student of considerable note.

Tom Hannah, the one who reported previously that he had to travel from one country where fingers were used to eat (Turkey) to another country where one ate with sticks (Taiwan), now has another justifiable complaint. He says: "Between typhoons!—and we are dashing to batten down the hatches for the next one even before we are cleaned up from the last one." What people have to do to earn a living.

Jim McCormack wrote two letters with tongue in cheek. I felt they were good enough to quote. Here are his comments on the election: "I vote affirmatively on the slate of officers nominated by Tuffy Horner's committee, accepting the stipulation that a vote for Howarth is a vote to waive the statute of limitations on consecutive terms. I do this because I have confidence in his knowledge and trust in his intergrity. As for councilmen, I vote the slate in *straight alphabetical fashion*. How could I possibly vote selectively against any of the eminent citizens listed? This will teach Tuffy. Bill Davidson's 'squid' says that it is his last. I have sent him a note asking him why and, incidentally, sent him four news items—very possibly the first I have ever submitted. This will teach him."

And here are the aforementioned news items: "Your 'squid' of 1 September says that

it is your last. Why is this? Especially, since I was just about to send you four news items, as follows:

"1. Eleanor and I saw the Danny Sundts in Copenhagen at the end of July. They are well, and enjoying their hobbies. Roberta collects Royal Copenhagen anniversary plates, expensive, and Danny collects Danish beer, pleasant. They both collect grandchildren, a hobby they share with most of us these days, and an extremely gratifying one.

"2. Eleanor served as my proxy later in reconnoitering the Thinnies situation in Wiesbaden. Apparently both Annamarie and Wally had been ailing and Wally was not entirely out of the woods, but seemed to be coming out. I have suggested to Wally that any one of half a dozen universities around Washington would be lucky to have him as a language professor.

"3. Eleanor also looked up the E.I. Davises in Heidelberg. Or, rather, she almost did. She had a date for lunch with them, and she went to one place and they went to another. El then went back to work, but Eleanor did see Lil during the afternoon and found her in good health and spirits. This reminds me of the occasion, a year ago, when I traveled earnestly from Munich to Brussels to join Eleanor, who was coming from Bad Nauheim. The occasion was an invitation for the two of us to be weekend guests at the Embassy in Brussels on our way to London and home to Boston. I found the visit most pleasant, the Ambassador and his wife being old friends of ours. I have to report, however, that they and I were somewhat nervous during the first half day until Eleanor phoned in. She was registered at the Amigo Hotel.

"4. Young Eddy Wang (Chang-Yi) has an appointment for the coming term as a Teaching Assistant in Aeronautics and Astronautics. Clearly, he is getting along all right. All the best to you and Dossi."

Steve Brodie writes that with the arrival of Beanie Goodwin, the class strength will be increased to four. He says he's having difficulty since he adopted Rollo Bower as a hobby. Wonder what this means? Johnny Kambhu leaves Thai Embassy as commercial counselor apparently for good. This is bad news for us but good for him in that he has a new assignment as Director General of Department of Economic Relations. We'll miss him at the Army-Navy football games. He was almost a fixture there. He says: "If by chance any of you should happen to go to Bangkok or just passing through, please get in touch with us either by contacting my office or my house (89 Rajdamki Road) and have a nice visit with us. Please keep in touch!" Sounds exciting.

Thanks for the contributions.

'33

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After a vigorous campaign the following candidates were elected: Parker, president; Carver, 1st Veep; Harry King, 2d Veep; and Pritchard, Sec-Treas. In his acceptance speech Dan pledged to do less than any of his preds. The new officers were "formally" installed before the 47 at the class party 21 October at the Army-Navy Country Club.

Quinn is our second Lt. Gen.; Bill is Deputy Commander of the new Defense Intelligence Agency. Hetherington's daughter, Su-

san, entered Stephens College this Fall. **Dunn** has been transferred to Hq ARADCOM at Ent AFB. **Hallock** left Korea for Hawaii to be USARPAC Engineer. **Doleman** is now DCSOPS of USAREUR. **Boswell** retired to be VP and General Manager of the Boswell-Alliance Construction Co. in San Francisco. **Jim** will be in charge of their Phoenix office. He's looking forward to settling down in one place with **Pat** and their three. **Pearson's** son won the International Parachute Meet in France. **George Chapman**, US Army School, Europe, writes, "The Post . . . is named **Hawkins Barracks**, in honor of **Jess**." **George** says, "I doubt if the Army has as beautifully located a Post as this. . . wish I could say as much about its upkeep." **Edwards'** new job is ADC, 3d Inf Div, in Wurzburg. **Mo** says, "Another reason we're delighted with the Germany assignment is the proximity to our Sue, only a few kilometers away, and **Dick**—closer than before. We're looking forward to a Christmas reunion with two granddaughters." **Welling** was reported by the *N. Y. Times* for his efforts on the California Missile Base construction.

Hartel's letter from Berlin (travel time 13-15 Nov) says, "Before the 'wall of shame' was constructed (13 Aug) East and West Berliners intermingled freely. Friends, relatives, lovers, had their opposite numbers in the other sector. The population on both sides was stunned. I traveled up and down the wall inspecting, usually between 2200 and 0600, and the West Berlin crowds never diminished. They were on hand all night; bewildered, shocked, and refusing to believe. Now 3 months have elapsed and the wall is almost continuous for 25 odd miles, towers similar to those guarding our state prisons, buildings on the border torn down, forced evacuation of apartment buildings, trip-wires and booby-traps placed along the border. We took a long step when the Soviets were forced to bring tanks 150 yards (from ours). We were ready for anything. This is the most outstanding command of its kind in the world. We work 7 days a week, the enthusiasm and esprit are terrifically high, we know our mission." **Dot** adds, ". . . asking me if the situation is really as tense as you read in the papers. The answer is definitely YES." On 2 October in Berlin, **Fritz** gave his daughter, **Mary Adelaide**, in marriage to **Lt. Stanley J. Domal**. On 18 October, he directed maneuvers involving about 6,500 men with helicopters and amphibious vehicles.

Totten retired to 1411 Swope Ave., Colorado Springs. **Lothrop** retired to East Thetford, Vt. **Dahlen** was given a second star; he is Chief, MAAC, Republic of China. **Bastion** was promoted to two-star rank; he is now in command of the Armored Training Center at Knox. **Darnell** was made a Maj. Gen., in charge of the Army's Reserve Components. **Carl** recently told the press that he was ". . . impressed by the youth and enthusiasm of the troops and the high quality of the commissioned and noncommissioned officers." The daughter of the late **Bill Ball**, a senior at Stanford, is now Mrs. **Barbara Frances Davis**. **Welling** was honored by the American Public Works Ass'n as an outstanding public works official. **Summerfelt** is in the Pentagon with the AF Personnel Council. **Thorlin**, CG of the Detroit-based Ordnance Tank-Automotive Command, toured Europe and reported good performance by the M-6 tank and the MUTT. We now have 2 Lt. Gens., 32 Maj. Gens. (2 of whom are no longer on active

duty), and 49 Brig. Gens. (7 of whom are not in uniform).

Sparrow answers some questions about Sill. "Medicine Creek, the MB's, Signal Mountain, and Mr. Scott haven't changed; but now an artificial lake larger than Lawtonka, Lake Ellsworth, is north of the Elgin area; and the Oklahoma landscape is dotted with tanks, all helping to produce considerably more moisture than there was some 25 years ago. And in that same period the school population has been multiplied by ten. Over half of the personnel live off-post; Wherry and Capehart housing have been added; Lawton, with more than 60,000, now is the third largest city in the State." **Bob** and **Lucy Lee Thompson**, in a Christmas card mailed from Formosa 8 Nov, tell of their "out-of-this-world" week in Hong Kong. He continues with MAAG on Taipei; she teaches a class of 17 US, 3 Chinese, and 2 Japanese 5th Graders. **Thayer** plans to move back to his Washington house, at 2428 Tracy Place, NW, around the first of the year. **Charlie** has seen **Hartel** in Berlin several times in recent months. **Billy Harris** commands the Seventh Army Artillery. The **Neelys** will "winter" in Florida; **Bob's** new assignment is J-4 of the Strike Command at MacDill AFB. **Ely**, the Army's Director of Research, witnessed the signing of the contract making the Research Analysis Corp. similar to the AF's Rand Corp. **Sibley** commutes between his OCE Operations office in the Pentagon and his quarters at Belvoir. **Cleveland** is back in Washington to stay, at 3701 Mass. Ave., NW. **Johnny** has made trips to Ecuador because of his holdings there, mainly in sugar. **Olson** has climbed several rungs since he joined Martin Corp. in Orlando. **Park** was in **Walter Reed** with a broken arm; **Dick's** new job is with a PEB.

We regret to report that **Bill Hunt** died recently; he was buried at West Point.

Schoolboys Powers and **Sparrow** recently graduated from the Management Course at Belvoir. **Starbird** moves to OCE—back to the Pentagon. **Dodd** and **Evelyn** took a house at 4023 Upland St. in Arlington. **Ashworth** writes that he and **Edna** occasionally drive to Carmel to inspect the home where they will move when **Ed** retires. **Frank** and **Alice Zeller** enjoy living at the Presidio of San Francisco, and are awaiting the arrival of their first grandchild. **Clainos** is stationed there too but spends most of his time on the road. **Armitage** is "boning for my Master's Degree, and teaching freshman algebra—as well as a graduate class at Kelly AFB." **Johnny** is a San Antonio booster, and says that "by and large retired officers are not besieged with job offers." And the city "has grown fantastically since cadet days. Housing is not cheap but there are many fine advantages." **Bellican** is a consultant to the new Defense Supply Agency. **Harry Bishop** and wife adopted 3 children—2 Germans and 1 other. At present he and **Gallagher** are assistants to **Vidal**. **Pick** was an honored guest at a before-The-Game meeting of the Touchdown Club. **Harry** is cogitating on retirement. **Brosious** is head of the Department of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences. **Gee's** daughter, **Jane**, graduated from college last June; she now works with **Red White's** CIA. **Ned** and **Gladys'** other daughter, **Mrs. James M. Bowers**, is the mother of their first grandchild, a boy. **And Gracie** and I joined the class' growing ranks of grandparents when our **Patsy** produced **William Michael Brigance**. **Fuqua's** young-

est, **Gerard Anthony**, will be one year old in January.

Pottenger's luck is running high. **Charlie** shot a hole-in-one, after 35 years of golfing. **Bus Evans** shifts from Assistant QMG to the new Defense Supply Agency. **Ben Harris'** son, **Ben III**, a National Merit Award scholar, graduated from MIT in '60, and was commissioned in the Army as a Distinguished Military Graduate. **Vic King**, on leave from the real estate business in Conn., with **Pick** and **Sally Vidal** and **Oscar** and **Ruth Senter** was recently wined and dined by the **Summerfelts**. **Milt** and **Val**, on their way east last summer, visited the **Henleys** at their home in Charleston, where **Frank** retired, and also "P" **Travis** in Savannah.

On 30 November, 29 of us and 27 of Navy '33 lunched and martined together at the Army Security Agency mess. At The Game the class was divided in two; at least 16 were there. It was a sad day, but not lacking in Army fight. Leading the cheering were: the **Calhouns**, the **Carvers**, **Parker**, **Rothwell**, the **Darnells**, **Cleveland**, **Haskin**, **Baumer**, the **Ryans**, **Cyr** (who is moving to Canada), **O'Connor** (now an independent businessman on Long Island), and **Ruth Carroll**.

And a Happy 1962!

'34

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Fred Barnes, **Jabo**, and **Bill Voehl** have our monthly class luncheons under way again in the DC area, and are getting the new class committees down to work. An even dozen of the class had a bang-up time on Tuesday, 21 November at a joint Army-Navy '34 luncheon at the Army-Navy Country Club. Navy outnumbered us about two to one. The Navy jokers had a hard time peddling bathrobes, though.

Bill Voehl and **George Gerhart** have both been under tutelage of The Surgeon General recently, but now have diplomas. Following corrective surgery, they are now back at work: **Bill** IG-ing in DA, and **George** PMS-ing at the U. of Conn. **Bill Craig** saw **Max McCrary** in Saigon recently. Latter is still "rarin' to rattle"—anyone, anywhere, anytime. **J. B. Richardson** was also hosted by The Surgeon General at **Walter Reed** for a while recently. Despite rumors he was becoming a civilian, he turns up at Ft. Meade, working for **Bill (Speed) Kern** who is Second Army G-4. **JB** lives at Gibson Island, Md. **Bill Himes** is somewhere between Paris, where he has just left the Paris Battle Monuments Commission, and Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., new job not yet announced. **Bob MacDonnell** is holding forth in the Office, Chief of Engineers as Director, Military Supply. **Bob** and **Harriet** live along the Potomac down Mt. Vernon way with one daughter (and charming), **Micky**. **Bob** left one son (Penn State grad) working in San Francisco, and another son in college in San Jose.

After two years G-2ing in Chicago, **Jim Snee** has now moved to California, where he is still G-2ing for Sixth Army. **Jim** and **Louise** have two grown sons and four grandchildren. **Hal Browning** did it—retired on 30 September. **Hal** and **Teeny** live in Mill Valley Calif. **Pat Mossman** intends to retire in January in San Francisco area, where **Pat** has been Deputy G-2, Sixth Army, since January '59. **Pat** and **Allene** have a son in the Army

in Germany, and a daughter in Dominican College in San Rafael.

That California area is alive with '34 members. Besides the foregoing Tom O'Neil holds forth as G-4, Sixth Army; Knox Yarbrough is DCO, Sixth Army (both live on the Presidio); Bob Blair is Special Assistant to CG, USATTCP, at Ft. Mason; Stilson Smith is with the Army Audit Agency in San Francisco; and Ted Bilbo commands the 40th Arty Brig in San Francisco—Travis area. And in retired status: Dave and Josephine Hollingsworth live in Livermore, Calif. (works in Lawrence Radiation Laboratory); Bud and Helen Buehler are in San Francisco area (Bud travels for Bechtold Corp., leaving school affairs and politics for Helen); Bob Erlenkotter in Kentwood, Calif.; Bill Neal in San Francisco. Paul Hanley is plugging for that PhD at Palo Alto (will advise on how to become a college prof on request—in 1963). Paul and Helen Shuck live nearby.

Travis and Elizabeth Petty visited DC in November from home in Buffalo, N.Y., where he is Operations Manager on Peace Bridge (between Buffalo and Ft. Erie, Ontario). Daughter Sally is married and son David is soph at Brown Univ. Ron Martin is enjoying retired life in Farmington, N.M. He is trying his hand at everything from real estate to Civil Defense. Biggest success currently is with grandchildren. It is reported that J.P. (Beanie) Craig is retired, and living in Leonardtown, Md.

Besides Tom Hanley, mentioned before, we have some other school boys. Tony Hills, still active, is attending U. of Pittsburg. Russ Jenna, retired, is attending Florida State University at Tallahassee, Fla.

Bill Voehl, assisted by Bob Corrigan and Ferdi Tate are hard at work completing an up-to-date class directory. They hope to have it in the mail by 1 January.

Cheers, men; there is hope for us yet. It is reported that Lee Miller—OUR CLASSMATE—got married in Paris on 15 September, this year. More dope on this big event when available.

'35

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Dear Editor: Thanks in no small measure to your weekly clipping service, we have assembled the following class notes. Seriously, Dunc, the Class of '35 is proud of the job you are doing with ASSEMBLY. (And please don't apply your blue pencil to the foregoing, either.)

Tommy Sawyer is back at Ft. Eustis, this time as Commandant of the Army Transportation School. Harvey Bower has gone to the Ordnance Depot at Sierra Herlong, Calif. Les Wheeler is still in Alaska, where he is commanding the Yukon Command at Ft. Wainwright. Clarence Bidgood left Ft. Meade to join Lee Davis at Patrick AFB, Fla.

Gene Orth has taken over the quarters and headaches that go with the job of Post Commander at Ft. Myer, Va. The Post Staff held a reception for Gene and Margaret just after his arrival back from Germany last September, and a goodly number of classmates dropped by to help welcome them. In October the Washington contingent held their Fall luncheon at the Ft. Myer club. Al Robbins and Gene Walter engineered the show under the prodding of our local prexy, Milt Taylor. Thirty stalwarts from '35 enjoyed

a fine reunion highlighted by Moon Ferris reading a report from Dunc Sinclair purporting to show that the Corps has not gone to hell. On 18 October the class wives got together at the Joe Anderson's. Nanie Anderson, Marie Ferris, and Deirdre Parrot were hostesses.

Milt Rosen has shifted his allegiance to Harvey Aluminum, for whom he is Director of Projects Development. He and Hilda remain here in Washington at 4201 Cathedral Ave., NW. Bud Pickard is Deputy Commander of the 7th Log Comd in Korea. As reported in the last issue, Ralph Haines wound up his temporary job of reorganizing the Army and returned to Ft. Hood in October; however, word is around that the wanderlust got the better of him and he skipped out temporarily for Germany. Brad Means appears to be spending the winter in Germany also.

Dunc Sinclair reports that Rooney Rynearson and Nat Martin and their wives made it to West Point for the Homecoming on 30 September. Glenn Cole has moved from Louisville, Ky. to Columbus, Ohio, where he is now the Deputy Commander of the XX Corps. Seth Weld left Ft. Bliss and has been assigned to the 52d Arty Brig (AD), Highlands AF Station, N.J. Frank Osmanski has been reassigned from Hawaii to the 2d Inf Div at Ft. Benning. We are mighty glad to see both Seth and Frank pin on those BG stars.

Charlie Leonard and Autry Maroun should have added a second star by the time this is published. Charlie was recently designated as the Deputy ACSI, DA. Autrey is Director of Manpower Management under the Army DCSPERS. John Throckmorton took a breather from his Pentagon duties last fall and accompanied the Chief of Staff on an inspection trip throughout the Pacific area. Hank Thayer is Director of Public Relations for the American Ordnance Association. Ironman Russell retired last June from the Air Force and is living in Cornwall, N.Y., with a teaching position in the Newburgh high school.

Recently on the sick list: Yobby Morris had a mild heart attack but is reported back at work with the Air Logistics Command at Wright-Patterson AFB. Understand Yobby is pondering retirement in the near future. Red Miner had a siege in Walter Reed last fall, but is going strong again. He recently transferred from the Army staff to the Office, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs. John Thomas was retired for physical disability from Walter Reed on 30 November.

Tommy Gent is at Tinker AFB where he commands an air defense division. Carl Isham is in the Special Projects Branch, J-4 Division of USEUCOM in Paris. Don Phelan returned from that area last summer and is now Director of Real Estate in the Office, Chief of Engineers, having replaced Bud Pickard. Downs Ingram is with the Reserve Components Division of the Air Staff in the Pentagon. Warren Everett spent several months in Washington working on civil defense matters, but is back as District Engineer at Vicksburg, Miss. now.

Milt Taylor is now Executive of the National War College (Bud Russ' old job). Don Bernier has shifted his allegiance in the Intelligence Community from the Army staff to the Office of the Deputy for Coordination. Alice Bergquist's picture appeared in the ANAF Journal with a story of her family ser-

vice projects at Hanscom Field, where Neil is Commander of the AF Electronic Systems Division.

Wollaston will become the Army Attaché in Jordan after leaving the Army Language School in March. Henry Van Ormer is now the G-3 of US Army, Pacific, in Hawaii. Bill Lapsley has returned from Korea and is Division Engineer, North Pacific Division, located in Portland, Oregon. Bob Glass has cut short his career of managing the careers of Armored officers and moved over to a new job with the Defense Intelligence Agency.

Gene Walter says that he saw the following at the Army-Navy game: Rosen, Tommy Tucker, Fiore, Jack Howell, Anderson, Hawkins, and Bassitt. Jim and Consuelo Alger and Russ and Mary Smith were down from Kilmer, where Russ is Jim's G-3. Jeff Rumsey was reported elsewhere in the stadium, and I'm certain there were others present since the class seemed to have been split up in seating. (There were and it was. In addition to Jeff and Charlotte, add Dick and Esther Agnew, Ray Firehock, Harry and Alice Lewis, Seth and Ruth Weld, and yours truly.—Ed.) Well, thanks for the news, Gene. But the less said about the game the better.

'36

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The last part of October "Alcoa Presents" had a TV program which some of you may have seen. It was a story about the prison treatment of one of Jack Arnold's crew. Jack had given me previously so much more vivid detail, that Fred Astaire's production left something to be desired. Jack recently had an auto wreck out Marietta way, from which he and his prized '56 T-bird (car) have finally and fully recovered.



'36 SHOWS THE PRESIDENT. Secretary of the Army Stahr and Maj. Gen. Ted Clifton, Military Aide to President Kennedy, watch while '36 shows the President at Ft. Bragg, N. C.

The lighter brought out news from Blair: he is working for RCA in Moorestown—lives in Haddonfield, N.J.—and is now in Kwajalein (6 months) installing a radar set-up. Bodine writes from good old Kamehameha where he's still G-4ing for USARPAC. Bob and Honey Breaks are in Heidelberg since July. Burnett, who is doing business at Huntsville, did everything he possibly could to line up a joint meeting at the Atlanta airport in September. But if you want to hear the latest in frustrations—his letter containing the information concerning flight number, etc., arrived a day after his ETA!

Bill Cairnes is retired in Ocala, Fla., and currently is in the miniature horse farm business. There was news in September that an

expansion plan was underway for Cec Combs' AFIT at Wright-Pat. Also at the same time beautiful Beverly Combs was married to Ensign Ligon, son of the Ligon who was slightly ahead of us at the Point. Bill Connor reported a luncheon meeting in Washington in October at which 17 were present. He also described a most enjoyable dinner at the Austins' in November where wives and the sad attempts at motion pictures which I took at the 20th and 25th Reunions were shown. I think Bill's comments might be interpreted to the effect that out-of-focus pictures were brought "in"-focus by a certain number of cocktails. He further indicated that the Laurions and Kerkerings will have a mixed meeting at Belvoir in January. It is urged that all make an effort to attend these wonderful and inspiring '36 gatherings: anyone of you who hasn't been lately ought to treat yourself to a real experience. Bob Curran wrote from Bradenton, Fla., that he is teaching at Manatee College with his heart in it. His daughter Pat graduated from Rutgers and has a teaching fellowship at U. of Delaware. I suppose there is a "peak" in every career; perhaps we are approaching it as we contemplate (as is Ted Clifton in picture) our classmates "showing" the Commander-in-Chief our Nation's Army, and the cover of one of our leading magazines (see cut).



'36 SHOWS THE PRESIDENT. Brig. Gen. Bev Powell, Abn Comdr, XVIII Abn Corps, was narrator for weapons development part of President Kennedy's visit.

Ken Dawalt who has the 30th Missile Brigade, sent greetings from the Typhoon Playground—Okinawa. Ben Davis wrote from Washington; seems a long time since he was on this Continent. Jack Daly left Fort Hancock and has taken up an assignment at Ent AFB, Colo., in NORAD Hq. The family and he are relocated and situated now in the new address, where incidentally, reside two other Dalys (Bea and Ellen). In September, visited Gil Dorland in Nashville and thoroughly enjoyed being shown around his city and plant. Eddie Dunn and family arrived at Ft. Carson, Colo. from a tour in Viet Nam.

Edwards is at Hq EUCOM—left Bragg this summer. Ryder is around, as is Prosser. Dave thinks Chuck at the Embassy is real good insurance for peace and order (how Chuck must have changed!). One recent military periodical devoted more than usual coverage to the same name; Howell Estes had his picture in one article, while Nan was portrayed in another (well, who denies that '36 is Important People?). Ben Evans, no longer in Washington, is now at Monroe. Received very good (but perhaps, old) news from Granny Gunn, who stated his son Jim may



be attending college soon. This lad had for some time been critically ill and for us who didn't know, the information is most happily received. Granny said his associates are Daly, Romlein, and Rod Drake. On a trip to Alaska Jim Landrum met his plane—he being C/S for M'ke. Got word from Bill Haneke at Ben Harrison. He asked, what others may have wondered, why I billed you for ASSEMBLY and Ass'n membership recently. I thought I indicated the reason was that I hoped we could get a few additional subscribers and readers, not necessarily change "old timers'" methods of payment. Think we got some results too! Received a nice long letter from Haywood who is a V-P with Huyck Corp. in New York City, trustee for another Corp., and has an Air Force Reserve assignment. Tommy Hayes is new commander for Engineer's Missile Construction in Los Angeles. I have heard from him since the Fall ASSEMBLY was received, but neither he—nor anyone else—asked about the picture in that issue. Everytime I make a mistake or misquote, I hear from somebody! Didn't anybody wonder about "that" picture? Hi Hiatt wrote from a new address in Hillsborough, Cal.; formerly he was in San Mateo. Re-



'36 SHOWS THE PRESIDENT. Brig. Gen. Bruce Palmer, Asst Div Comdr, 82d Abn Div, introduces the President to members of the ready company (not shown) after demonstration at Ft. Bragg.

ceived a post card from Doris Hiester from Port Said; then our first Christmas card from them, from Korea, indicating she and possibly Dave would be returning in spring of '62; and a note from David Jr. thanking the class very much for his graduation gift. Jeep said, "I have never known any other class to show so much interest in their sons as 1936." The class thanks Jeep Hiester for his kind remarks.

In October, Illig was in the Atlanta vicinity for two days, but unfortunately we never were able to get together. Katz's arrived at Redstone and feel well welcomed with nearby Kesslers, Furphys, and Cookes. Henry makes the amazing—and proud—announcement that on the colonels' promotion list for 1961 he is number "1936." I therefore nominate Henry J. Katz for the lofty award of "Classmate of the Year"! In early November several close Atlanta Sears Roebuck friends visited Redstone and it wasn't long before Henry and they had a mutual conversation piece—"the one-armed insurance bandit!" Kimball said in Washington he ran into Necrason and Tetley. He said he thought Freddie Bell might be retired and that the last address for B. Kelly should be 2340 Randall Road, Winter Park, Fla. Bill Kinard straightened me out on a very important matter: he said that Kenneth Kinard Miles is a plebe at Annapolis, Class of 1965. I am delighted that I made an error when stating



'36 SHOWS THE PRESIDENT. Brig. Gen. Willie Yarborough, wearing his Special Forces beret, chats with the President just before Special Forces and Ranger demonstration at Ft. Bragg.

we had no sons this year at Navy. Sis and Eddie Miles, by the way, are at Solvang, Calif., where he has a position with Lockheed. Garnett Lee moved over from Hq Air Force to Joint Chiefs—in Intelligence. The Longley's daughter Pat was married in Houston in August to Mr. Fred Erisman. Dan McElheny recently was a sort of class ambassador in the west. In Alaska Safford, Landrum and Mike were his hosts; T. C. Rogers in Japan; Billingslea, Hiester, Benson, Cato, Thompson, Beard, Holton, and Lane in Korea; Dawalt in Okinawa; and in Hawaii Bess, Waters, and Bodine (others there but not contacted were Pack, Peck, Page, and Jackson). Dan thinks the Pacific is in good hands—"36 hands"! Bobby O'Brien is nearby, but although we've established contact through friends we've not met. He's over at Athens, Ga., as the University PMS&T. Bruce Palmer wrote and explained the missions performed by '36-ers when the President visited Bragg: Powell conducted firepower demonstration, Yarborough the Special Warfare, and Bruce a visit to the 82d Airborne. Received a very newsy letter from Pepple completely outlining all that is necessary to expect when

traveling "space available" to Europe. Among his contacts were **Prosser, Gillespie, Breaks, and Cordes**. Of particular interest was seeing the change in old landmarks that had taken place in the last 15 years. **Virginia Persons** wrote twice, once from the 3d Inf and then from Pete's new job, 32d ADA Brigade, APO 227. They are now in Kaiserslautern. **Prosser** says the embassy part of his job most interesting in Paris. In September my children (especially) and I had a grand surprise—a weekend visit from **Leon Punsalan**. He was on IG work from CONARC down here and besides endearing himself to three of my small-fry, he was a "long time, not seen" classmate with whom I had some enjoyable reminiscing. **Chuck Redman** has two granddaughters and is still running an Insurance-Engineering-Surveying-Construction business in Kennett, Mo. The **Ripples** left Turkey in December and will be at USAATC, Ft. Knox. **Son Dick** is in first year at Harvard. **Sievers** wrote from Monroe; is there with **Evans, Buynoski**, and others. **Howie Snyder** is still at Governors Island and occasionally contacts classmates. Except for **Westy**, whom he runs into frequently, he is in communication with the C/S at **Dix, Holderness**, by phone a lot. **Punsalan** paid a visit and he saw **Landry, Cec Spann** also now has a granddaughter. **Bill Steele** was photographed recently in connection with his Military Assistance business in Washington. **Sutherland** is working on his PhD in English at U. of Pennsylvania. He's 2d Professor of English at the Point. He also—at the moment, anyway—is keeper of THE BOOK.

Fred Terrell sent me instruction material on last October's World-Wide Weapons meet that he conducted for Air Force(s) at Tyndall. It sounded like it was a very "hot" October in the Gulf. Received word from **Tetley** up at Hanscom where he, **Segrist**, and **Bennett** represent '36. Got a line from **True** in the Detroit area—**Selfridge AFB**. **Whipples** are probably now in Singapore still working with **Esso**. Behind are a daughter studying art at Yale and another who is a stock broker on Wall Street. **Wort Williams** is with Logistical Command, Verdun, and says **Jacoby** has an Engineer group there also.

Hope you all had a Merry Christmas and Peace and Good Will is yours in 1962.

'37

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It is my sad duty to begin this column with the information that two of our most beloved classmates, **Hank Spengler** and **Monte Hickok**, have passed on. **Hank** was killed in a helicopter crash near Hohenfels, Germany, on 10 October 1961, and **Monte** died as the result of a kidney ailment and following surgery in Queen's Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaii, on 19 October 1961. At the time of his death, **Hank** was CG of the 32d Arty Brig, USAREUR, having just recently received his promotion to BG on 7 June 1961. **Monte** had been retired since 1945 and had been a member of the faculty of Punahou School in Honolulu since that time, teaching first in mathematics and later Spanish.

Hank's family, friends and members of the 32d Arty Brig have created a fund in his memory which will be passed on to USMA for an appropriate memorial. Donations from his many friends in the class should be forwarded to our Treasurer, **Dan Richards**, 2220

N. Trenton St., Arlington, Va. Contributions to **Monte's** memory are also being accepted, but these should be forwarded to the Spanish Department, Punahou School, which he served so well. (Hickok obit in this issue.—Ed.)

A letter from **Bill Chase** states he is the only one of our classmates left in Hawaii and that he attended the memorial service for **Monte**. **Bill** further states that he has been pretty much confined to the prone position due to a back ailment. He was to have been operated on at Tripler Army Hospital on 2 November. Good luck, **Bill**, and we hope the operation was a success.

There have been several replies to **Dan Richards'** and your correspondent's plea for funds. News gleaned from these follows. **Chuck Pfeffer** says he is planning on seeing us in June. He is currently teaching at St. John's Prep in Brooklyn, N.Y., but hopes to locate permanently in St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1962. **Kelsie Reaves**, still in Paris, writes that **Jack Tolson** from Ethiopia and **Danny Russell** from Saudi Arabia, were there recently. **Katie** bar the door! **Kelsie** states he was originally scheduled to return in June 1962, but along with everyone else over there he has been extended 6 months.

Bruce Holloway became our first classmate to wear three stars. He is now Deputy Commander of the recently created Strike Command under Gen. Adams. The latest Army general officer list includes the name of **Dave Parker**. Congratulations to both. **Dave** and our other recent officer designees hosted the cocktail hour at a recent class luncheon of the Washington gang. **Fred Ressegieu** and **Hal Hallock** also joined us for the 18 October luncheon. The former was in from San Francisco and the latter from Harrisburg. After the luncheon, **Bull Oden**, **Hal, Freddie** and **Chief Evans** were rumored to have adjourned to the links at the A&N Country Club. Great to be a general or civilian!

Johnny Stevenson has now settled in as Deputy for Operations, SHAPE, Paris. **Swede Ohman** is the new senior USAF member in WSEC, here in the Pentagon. **Freddy Diercks'** orders to the Congo have been changed and he is now in the new Defense Intelligence Agency and house-hunting again. **Bob Miller** replaced **Freddy** as CO Army Map Service. **Choppy Brett**, now President of the Bretwalda Corp, 1700 I Street, NW Washington, D.C., has recently completed a tour of active duty with the Office of Naval Intelligence. He has been elected a member of the Board of Governors of the Retired Diplomatic and Consular Officers Association and Vice President of the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies. **Dick Fellows** is now at Wright-Pat AFB and **Elmer Blaha** is Air Attaché to the French Congo. **Luis Mercado** has recently undergone treatment at **Walter Reed** for ulcers. **Westy Westover** is now in Washington as Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Hq USAF. **Carl Lindquist** was also rumored to be in the Pentagon for a short active-duty tour. Also recently reporting to the Washington area are **Eddy Ingmire** on the Staff and Faculty of the Industrial College, **Erie Dougan** as Director of Civil Engineering, Hq AF Systems Command, Andrews AFB, and **George Walker** as Assistant Commandant at Fort Belvoir.

Steggy Stegmaier reports from Europe that **Joe Hodges** is now Deputy G-4, Seventh Army; **Eph Graham**, Asst Div Comdr, 4th Armd Div; **B. Frank Taylor**, C/S, VII Corps; **Doug Quandt**, CG, 24th Div Arty; **Monk Meyer**, C/S, Northern Area Comd; **Jim Rich-**

ardson, Chief of Info, USAREUR; and **Freddy Campbell**, C/S ComZ.

Bud Zehner and **George McGee** recently left the Pentagon for MAAG duty in Argentina and Laos respectively. **Ed Lee** at Ft. Knox planning to retire.

As of last May **Ham Fish** wrote from Ft. Bragg, stating that **Dave Griffin**, **Harry Elkins**, **Ed Postelethwait**, and himself were holding forth at that location. Since then, **Harry Elkins** has been a student here at the Military Assistance Institute prior to going on MAAG duty.

That about does it for now. Don't forget to let **Stu O'Malley** know of your reunion plans, and send in your poop to **Seedlock** or **Underwood** for the 25-year book.

'38

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The stars fell on the Class of '38 in greater profusion during the past 3 months than any similar period, and it is a pleasure to make special note of it. We now boast two Lt. Gens. **Butch Blanchard**, after many years with SAC, has become the AF's IG, accumulating his third star. **Claire Hutchin**, head of Strategic Plans and Policy in DCSOPS for the Army, is on the list for his second star. In addition, **Bill Beverley**, **Art Collins**, **Sam Eaton**, **Jerry Folda**, **Jim Lynch**, **Ben Sternberg** and **Bob York** put on one star. Our heartiest congratulations go to these classmates along with the hope that this is only the start on their climb up the ladder.

Most of these new "makes" will stay, for the time being at least in their present station although they do move to more important jobs. Others have relocated as a result of the promotion. **Claire Hutchin's** job calls for the second star, so he remains in Washington. **Sam Eaton's** assignment with the Department of Defense (International Security Affairs), and **Jerry Folda's** with the 1st Inf Div, are unchanged. Remaining with the DA Staff are **Jim Lynch** in Reserve Components, **Ben Sternberg** with Personnel, and **Bob York** with Research and Development.

On the other hand, **Butch Blanchard** is now a Washington resident, **Bill Beverley** has moved to the 2d Armd Div at Ft. Hood, and **Art Collins** has left the Joint Staff and been assigned as J-1, STRACOM at MacDill AFB in Tampa, Fla.

With the coming of fall and winter, the class social activities have been stepped up in the Washington area. **Willy Langford** is the prime organizer. Monthly luncheons have brought out about 25 to 35 classmates each time. At the September affair, we were all happy to see and talk with **Dick Stilwell** who was temporarily in Washington. The next month brought the first appearance for some time of **Art Maloney**, who retired many years ago and had just finished four years of a "hardship" tour in Hawaii where his golf handicap dropped considerably. The November affair was a joint USMA-USNA Class of '38 luncheon at the Army-Navy Country Club where our Annapolis contemporaries acted as most gracious hosts. One of the major topics of conversation was, of course, the forthcoming Army-Navy game and it was plain our Navy friends were making a concerted effort to build up larger odds on the Army for their bets. We all regret they were not right. Another matter of interest at this luncheon was how the classes for the two acad-

mies compare after 23 years. More about this later.

The one mixed party for the Washington contingent so far this year was a dinner dance at the Army-Navy Country Club just before Halloween. Although it was not a Halloween Party for the class, a few imaginative souls did don some clever masks and disguises. Sam Eaton spent the evening with a knife sticking out of his back. He did not explain but I am sure it had no significance for those present who included the Ed Baileys, John Boyts, B. R. Browns, Desloge Browns, Art Collinses, Fred Deans, Sam Eatons, Tracy Harringtons, Mike Hayeses, Chuck Jacksons, Al Joneses, Pete Kopschaks, Willy Langfords, Andy Lipscombs, Art Maloneys, G. C. O'Connors, Ward Ryans, Dave Sherrards, Ben Sternbergs, Swede Swensons, Jim Taylors, Bob Yorks, and Jean Hawes.

The Navy game, despite the outcome, did bring classmates and families together, many of whom had not seen each other for some time. The largest groups naturally were from West Point and Washington. Amongst these were the Amicks, Bixbys, Stilwells, and Janarones from West Point; and the Taylors, Swensons, Chuck Jacksons, Kitty Johnson, Nim Collins, Lipscombs, Lynchs, Sternbergs, Wickhams, Deans (proud parents of a new daughter), Sherrards, and Langfords from Washington. Johnny Johnson could not make it because he was taking his comprehensive examination for his Master's Degree and Art Collins is down in Florida. Sam Hogan and the Hayneses came in from the Army War College, and Joe Missal and the Sinnreichs could not miss seeing their boys. Cheering on the Army team also were the Dapprichs from Valley Forge Military Academy, the Chevasses from Langley, Alan Seff, Norm Tittle, Jean Hawes, the John Boyts and the Jess Thomases. Although we did not see an Army victory, we saw what is more important — an Army team that played a good, hard, clean game against worthy opponents and played that way right up to the final whistle.

It is certain that classmates all over the world were listening to or watching the Navy game but their silence on what they are doing is phenomenal. Every now and then a little information is picked up by a traveler and he passes it on. Willy Langford, for example, recently made an official trip (spelled boondoggle) to the major capitals of Europe, and touched base with some classmates. He found Frank Izenour rusticated on the Rhine in Bonn as EUCOM's liaison officer there, Mel Russell in SHAPE, and Curly Harvey in Baden-Baden where we must assume he was visiting the Headquarters of the French Army in Germany, although it is no hardship to visit this delightful resort for any reason.

However, there are some facts about the class which were brought out at the USMA-USNA Class of '38 luncheon which are of interest, particularly when compared with the '38 USNA class. Galen McHaney must be given credit for compiling the Army figures (or the blame if they are wrong)

USMA	
Graduated, 1938	301
Presently on AD (131 Army, 43 AF)	174
Retired (40 Army, 21 AF)	61
Deceased: Combat	28
Air Crashes, peace	17
Others	11
Total	54
Resigned	6
Honorable Discharge	3
Dismissed	1
Foreign, retired	1

AD Rank:	Army	AF	
Maj Gen	1	Lt Gen	2
Brig Gen	10	Maj Gen	3
Col	116	Brig Gen	12
Lt Col	4	Col	26

USNA	
Graduated, 1938	438
Commissioned in Navy	388
Commissioned in Marines	26
Presently on AD (211 Navy, 10 Marines)	221
Deceased (Combat 44, Other 27)	71
Other losses	106
AD Rank: Captain, USN	208
Colonel, USMC	10
Commander, USN	3

The Navy class has much more information on its retired members than does the Army. One retired classmate we do know about, though, is John Damon who was here for the AUSA conference. John is still happily employed with the General Electric at Santa Barbara; has a fine home with lots of acreage, horses and a sailboat.

What is with the rest of you? Would appreciate your notes for next issue.

'39

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OJCS, J-3
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News this time comes from several sources: The fall luncheons of the class here in Washington; Frankie Joe Kobes; a couple of sorties by our tireless traveller and noter, Walt Higgins; and Stan Dzuiban, no mean traveller himself; and finally from the ASSEMBLY staff itself at West Point, to which all this now returns for publication.

Taking the most novel news first, the picture below is the presentation of the class tray to the first graduating son: 2d Lt. Wayne Ploger, Class of '61. Those are the proud parents on the right, with Wayne and his bride Judy on the left. Classmates to conduct the presentation included the Kobes, Hudgins, Tuttlles, and Joel Walkers. (As projected a couple issues ago, the '39 Plogers are here at ICAF.)

Running alphabetically down the news gathered at class luncheons: Walt Brinker is here in DCSPERS. W.W. Bailey is retired into the arms of Philco Government and Industrial Group (735 Panorama Road, Villanova, Pa.). Jim Billups, now father of a son, is at NORAD, Colorado Springs. Bob Blair (ex-'39), in G3, 2d Army, Ft. Meade. Hall Cain, retired, is at Jacksonville in the Engineer, Communication and Signaling Department, Atlantic Coastline Railroad. John Carpenter made the last class luncheon, looking pretty youthful for a Maj. Gen., even if AF. Jack Dobson, with a star imminent, is on orders to the Armored Center, Ft. Knox. Ned Geary is EUCOM J-3. Pinky Ginder, retired, and Ruthie are in Alaska, where he is working for the government and treated your reporter to the height of Alaskan



1939 presentation to first graduating son: Ploger '39 to Ploger '61.

hospitality last Sept. He didn't actually put those 8-pound rainbows on our hooks, but if he could have he would've.

Andy Goodpaster is commanding 8th Inf Div in Europe. Keith Hull is here in G-4 MDW, Ft. Myer. Jack Habecker is in the area—Air Staff (?). Jack Herstad and family are at ARADCOM. Walt Higgins has just moved from ODCSOPS to J-5, Joint Staff. Frank Iseman is retired, Macon, Ga. Charlie Kouns was at the November luncheon, but couldn't catch him to find out what he is doing here. However, he left a note that he saw Matt Legler at the Army-Maryland [Sic.—Ed.] game.

Jack Looney is with 7th Div, Korea (APO7). Frank Mildren is C/S, V Corps, Europe. Roger Phelan with WSEG here. Art Poinier is PIO Second Army. Al Rollins is in this area—D/A R&D (?).

Stan Dzuiban saw Ed and Pat Smith, and Bernie Teeters, at Ft. Bragg; Jack Samuel (one star), just reported in to Washington (Joint Task Force 8 or Air Staff Planner?). Slump Smith has departed Andrews with his star for Scott AFB. Ken Yarnall is with ARADCOM at Kansas City. Olie Wood is with Military Assistance Division, Hq EUCOM.

Now from Walt Higgins after his recent trip to Europe: Jack Kinney (BG, AF) and Jim Shepherd are at SHAPE. At Heidelberg (USAREUR), Bill Preston is in Compt; John Pavick, IG. Roger and Betty Lilly are at Seventh Army, Dave and Betsy Goodwin in Berlin Command. Higgy got to London just too late to see Mike Davison in his full glory of boots and spurs (that's what the British alleged), because he's gone from the MAAC to Germany.

Walt also made the West Point Homecoming game this fall and reports, among others previously mentioned, on Ken Collins in Tactical Department, Dick Cleverley on brief leave from Okinawa, Nita Fredericks looking forward to Fritz's return from Korea, and Charlie Duke as Engineer of N.Y. District.

As this copy goes to press, the sad news of the Army-Navy game is in the record books, but there are reports of '39-ers there as follows: Bob Haffa, retired at Red Bank, N.J., and a vice-president in the electronics business. Sammy Kail, current station not discovered. Ed Kurth, retired and in the law business at Wilmington, Del. Swede Larsen, our other Army Maj. Gen., at Indiantown Gap, Pa. Chan Lewis, retired; and Tom Shanley likewise, working with Philco, home in Norristown, N.J. Other classmates were there, too, who have already been reported above or in recent issues of ASSEMBLY.

A Happy and Prosperous 1962 to all of '39.

'40

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The cry in the night, the desperate plea, and the wail for the lost brought all the results one could ask for. Mailmen perspiring under the tropic sun have left the piles of correspondence at the door. Here goes.

Dick Abbey, soon to be a new father again, at Williams AFB in Arizona while Hank Adams studies the value of the field goal at USMA. Jerry Addington on the Staff and Faculty at the Army War College sharing the responsibility of teaching Norris, Phillips

and Rosen with Bert Lane and Tony Wer-muth. Should any of this group want to savor the good civilian life they can get their tips from Butch Dixon, head of the Carlisle Corporation in Carlisle, Pa.

It is with deep regret that I report the death of Ev Light in a helicopter accident in Germany in October. Ev was buried at West Point. Our class god-son is attending Dickenson College and Peggy is living at 711 Olson Drive, Carlisle, Pa.

Urey Alexander used to be in Europe but was last rumored taking a special course at Ft. Sill. Is this right? George Aubrey preparing for the difficult job as military attaché in Moscow. Supposed to report in 1963. Luther Arnold is in Europe and Hank Arnold is PIO of Sixth Army at the Presidio of San Francisco. Charley Balthis heads a battle group at Ft. Devens, Mass. Milt Barnard at Stead AFB. Art Barry with JAG in Europe. Barton in the Pentagon along with 80 others. Anyone going to Washington and wanting a run-down on classmates there should contact Ford Fuller, 2424 Taylor Ave., Alexandria, Va., telephone TE 6-3822. His office: OACSI, 2D513 and the telephone 78419. Ford is the incumbent secretary for classmates in the Washington area and has all information available.

Don Baumer and Audrey are in Europe and can be reached c/o AG Div, Hq NACOM APO 757, N.Y. Chuck Beaudry is at White Sands and Mike Bavaro at South Acton, Mass. Bill Bennett is the PMS&T at La Salle College, Philadelphia; and Lithgow Bowlby, umbrella and all, with 101st Abn Div at Ft. Campbell, Ky. Danny Briggs, according to an article in the *ANAF Journal* has just been appointed G-3 at Ft. Leavenworth. Brown HC at Fourth Army, Ft. Sam Houston. Willy Buck at Perrin AFB. Cagwin recently ordered to MacDill AFB in Florida. Bob Cameron in his third year in Department of Tactics, West Point. Scotty Case with SACLANT in Norfolk. Cassidy also in Norfolk with 3d Arty Gp. After all these years Castillo traced to SEATO in Baguio in the Philippines. Martin Chandler retired and working with Martin and Company in Baltimore. Homer Chandler still with XV Corps at the Presidio of San Francisco. Bill Clay in Romulus (P-Ed.), N.Y. Wally Clement in England with Standardization Group UK. Colligan at Wright-Patterson along with Lavell, Gideon, and Ray Sleeper. Big John Coontz at 1215 Devon Lane, Newport Beach, Calif. Corbly at Ft. Monmouth. Joe Couch back on Okinawa. Osborn saw Kramer at the Michigan game.

Jack DeWitt is retired and working with Aero-jet and living at 4909 Engle Road, Carmichael, Calif. Jack Dibble to MacDill AFB, Fla. Dyke with Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs. George England with AF Reserve Area in Phoenix and brother Pat is at Ft. Bragg. Larry Forbes at Monmouth. Francisco at Bragg but understand he, too, will be ordered to MacDill AFB. Freudendorf receives orders to the MS&T Department, U. of Alabama. Bill Gildart with ARADCOM at Ft. Carson. Greene in Illesheim, Germany. Walt Gunster at Bragg. Len Haseman to National War College. Hess at Reese AFB. Bill Kasper accepts callers at Qtrs #3 at Ft. Carson where he is C/S. Larry Klar with Sig Div at SHAPE. Kyle in Korea and also Lotozo.

Kreitzer at USA Elm JUSMAT 9811, APO 254, N.Y. Mike Kuziv jumping out of planes at Bragg. LaBreche is with fighters at Sel-

fridge Field, Mich. Ken Lemley with MAAG, Laos. Has son at USMA. Ed Lynn with USA Supply Agency in Europe. Jim Maedler with G-4 KMAG. Russ Manzollilo with MAAG in Italy while Salvo Rizza holds MAAG spot in Belgium. Hank Miley at USAREUR. Jim Rat Moore with Army Air Defense in Minneapolis and Tom Muller with G-3, Eighth Army, Korea. George Mueller with Hq CENTAG (NATO). German newspapers laud George and his ability to handle a physical fitness program by pushing up and chinning, along with the troops. Who said this class is old? O'Brien with PMS&T Department, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, Calif. Carey O'Bryan at Kirtland AFB. Oglesby in Warsaw, Poland. O'Keefe now at Redstone Arsenal with John Aber and Ralph Ross. Len Orman on TDY in Washington but home station is Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N.Y. Mike Paulick at Ft. Benning and Mosshead Parker at 11 Santa Elena Drive, Daly City, Calif. Bob Pfeil with District Engineer in Detroit. John Pidgeon at USMA. Pillsbury at Naval Supply Depot in Philadelphia. Ed Podufaly at US Army Engr District in New York City. Bill Porte and Bob Raleigh retired and living in Colorado Springs. Paul Reinecke in Columbia, S.C. Al Richards with ARADCOM at Ft. Carson. Ray Renola still with Bulova Watch Company in New York City. Jake Roberts will soon end a tour with PMS&T at N.C. State College. Eldest daughter to be married to graduate of Coast Guard Academy. Harmon Rimmer at 434 Tenth Ave. Indialantic, Fla.

The Pranns announce the arrival of a daughter Lucile Frazier born at West Point 25 October. Bradley is retired and lives on Robert Road, Cornwall, N.Y.

Rust in Tucson, Ariz. Ivan Sattem's address is 35 Oak Trail Road, Hillsdale, N.J. Freddy Schmalz is Post QM at Ft. Campbell, Ky., and Les Schockner is at Ft. Sam Houston. Tom Scott is DCSLOG at USMA. Dr. Wendell Sell is V-P and Division General Manager of the Marquardt Corporation in Pomona, Calif. Dick Shagrin at CONARC, Ft. Monroe. Shaunesey is with QM in Giessen, Germany. Shoss at Ft. Sill. Steve Silvasy is DCS&A at West Point. Smith JJ is retired and at Palos Verdes Estates, Calif. Al Strock just received orders from Leavenworth to USA Elm, Hq Atlantic Command, Norfolk, Va., where Julian Cook will join him. Bob Strong at Goose Bay, Labrador. Walt Swank, after a long tour in New Orleans, now at Ft. Story, Va. Alan Thayer joins me here in Puerto Rico in January where he will be Senior Instructor Log C. Wendt with MAAG Libya. Wetherill with an Arty Gp in Europe. Freddy White now at Hq USAREUR. Ed Wynne still at Patrick AFB. Yates now retired and with MITRE, 105 Center Street, Brookline, Mass.

Following classmates recently retired. Addresses not available. Jack Beiser, John Collins, Hank Daniels, Leo Dunham, Phil Elliott, Bernard Ferry, Gus Gushurst, Bill Horton, Nathan Krisberg, Art Malone, Tom Quaid, Jodie Stewart, and Ev Ware. If anyone can send me these addresses, would appreciate it.

Bouquet List: Aber, Pidgeon, Orman, Chandler HB, Roberts, Sullivan, Sue DeWitt, Hank Arnold, Ed Podufaly, Dick Abbey, Mike Kuziv, and Lithgow Bowlby. Their contributions made this column possible.

Keep the news coming. Feasts are better than famines.

'41

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Response to the Christmas letter has been most gratifying with approximately 225 participants. Besides the Christmas greetings coming back with my formats, I picked up the following news items:

Jim Kaiser reports that after graduating from the War College in 1960 he took command of the Combat Command of the 2d Armd at Ft. Hood; thence to the USALS, Monterey, where he is studying German with prospects of an attaché plum in Vienna beginning in July. He is looking forward to becoming a grandfather in February. Sam Magruder reports that he has been at SHAPE for the past 18 months with the very large contingent. Milo Moucha is a neighbor of ours at Missoula on duty as PAS with the U. of Montana. Ben McCaffrey reports that Joe Ahern has PCS'ed to Washington, D.C. and John D'Esposito retired last year and is living in Brooklyn. Dave Kunkel reports that he has seen little of the class since going civilian, in spite of the fact that he is still in Washington.

Butch Rising is in his third year at Bragg after tours with the Missile Command of the 56th Arty Gp and has recently taken command of the US Army Garrison. Busbee, Von Schrlitz, and Cox have departed the Bragg area; Kennedy and Harry Ellis have joined; however, Kennedy has recently departed for the Army War College. Butch expects overseas orders next spring.

Harry V. Ellis at Ft. Bragg recommends a list of sons and daughters in college with their location with less emphasis on the sons who are in the academies. I quite agree but will be limited in my reporting by the in-put received from the field. "Brig. Gen. Ed Rowny assumed job of Asst Div Comdr, 82d Abn, in mid-September. I was with him when he took his first jump—H-21—and a real staff day." Jim Graham is now with the XVIII Corps and in the IG Section. Son Harry III is now at MIT.

Jim Sykes has taken an apartment at 201 E. 66th St., New York 19. Visitors are welcome. George Brown saw Tom Corbin a few weeks ago. "He was here on a board. He is fine but thin—damn near died last spring and had a long hospitalization." John Locke: "Changes are always with us. After a very pleasant year in Phoenix getting a new Sector off the ground I am back in the Pentagon in personnel business—thanks to a friend (?)."

Billy Mitchell: "It is very seldom I run across any of my old buddies. See Dick Travis once in a while, saw Rod O'Connor and Joe Weidner last summer. I am still fighting the battle of the small, old and weary fighter plane." Jack Anderson: "This week's *Life* magazine has an article on sorority rushing at the U. of Alabama. One of the girls is Susy Howze, my goddaughter. Her father, Ben Howze, was killed in Korea. The pictures are on page 105 of the 13 October issue."

Earl Brown, Ft. Lewis, Wash.: "Left Frankfurt last summer. Bob Johnson was assigned as Exec for the SJA of V Corps but left for the SJA job at Bremerhaven in 1960. Bob Kramer and Tom Curley spread the welcome mat when we arrived at Ft. Lewis." Martin Shadday reports that Adjemian and Dick Von Schrlitz are with him in Orleans. Swampy Marsh writes that the Benning contingent includes Coker, Clark, and Moose

Male; John Callaway assigned to C&GSC visited recently on a conference.

A. Wray White writes that he is now Deputy Wing Comdr at Turner and is about to complete the transition course in B-52's at Castle. Harry Harvey reports that he has completed a year of graduate study at Columbia. "Some day I am going to teach school. How about that for an old goat?" Paul Ramee at the Army War College: "The life of the student is a pleasant change from the hectic pace of a missile site builder." Ben McCafferey writes: "Aubie Hauser, Ralph Kuzell, and I have been joined by Howdy Clark. This last summer the Cochran, Whitaker, Magruder, and McCafferey boys spent 10 days at a camp near Bordeaux. They had a ball." Jerry La Rocca: "Jack Bentley is now a consulting engineer with General Electric at Utica, N.Y. I am the Technical Developer at AFBSD for ballistic missile systems."

Received a card from Mrs. Patricia Hale saying, "My husband, E. Hale, Class of '46, passed away 11 September. The Class of '41 sent lovely flowers to West Point where he was buried and I am writing to ask you to thank the class, having found your name in the ASSEMBLY. I certainly appreciate their thoughtfulness."

Arnie Phillips dropped in for a visit last fall. He is directly associated with the missile business in the Pentagon. John Atkinson is being transferred from Dyess to Stewart where he will take command of an AF Reserve Region. Saw Pooge Curtis while I was in school in Los Angeles. He is a happy executive with Aeroneutronics, a division of Ford Motor Company, and is living in a beautiful home at Newport Beach. He and Bucky and their lovely daughter, Falon, took me to a sumptuous restaurant for dinner and they all seemed very happy in their new environment. Another visitor was Guy Goddard who has just moved to a new job as Asst Deputy Director, Civil Engineer Operations, at Hq USAF. Guy paid a visit here in September to help us with our Capehart housing program. Bill Brier will soon be reporting in as Deputy Comdr of the 44th Strat Wing at Ellsworth—this will be the second Minuteman Missile outfit.

The ANAF Journal disclosed that Gurfein, Jensen, and R. L. Johnson were recently promoted to colonel. Army News service reports that Fitzpatrick has recently arrived on Okinawa as a member of the IX Corps. Joe Knowlton is attending the Army War College along with Hugh Foster and Paul Ramee. They also sent a wonderful picture of Betty McIntyre pinning the new eagle on George's well-pressed collar at Ft. Leavenworth.

The Journal reported that Dick Rastetter and family had arrived at Ft. Richardson, Alaska, and that Cliff Cole had moved up to be Deputy Comdr of the Sacramento Air Materiel Area at McClellan replacing Brig. Gen. Summerfelt.

The editor of ASSEMBLY extended the deadline for this issue so that observations could be made on the outcome of a certain athletic encounter in Philadelphia. This writer would prefer to forget that experience and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a bright and prosperous 1962.

P.S. Flash! Following article in ANAF Journal which arrived today:

"Col. George B. Pickett, Jr. has left Hq Seventh Army, Stuttgart, Germany, to as-

sume command of the 2d Ard Cav Reg in Nurnberg.

"Col. Pickett has been Chief of the G-3 Plans Division at Seventh Army headquarters since August 1960. The announcement of his replacement has as yet not been made."

'42

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Recipe to banish Gloom Period: Have your residence unit fall in at attention and designate one of your personnel to call the days until 2 June. Not planning to attend? Change your mind and let Don Fisken know. If you are going, double-lock the drawer where you're hiding the old sock, take your vitamins, and get plenty of sack time. Jack Watson tells me (he's a front-man for the Supe's fund. If you've a wealthy old aunt, Jack will assist in getting her bequest to the right place!) that the '42-ers at Usmay are well along with their planning. Ec Cutler (a fine picture and article on Ec's elevation to head of the Electricity Dept appeared in the last ASSEMBLY) is Secretary-Treasurer; Don Fisken-Housing; Dopey-Picnic; Hank Ivey-Reception; Bill Watkin-Handouts; and Lu Flanagan—Memorial services, pictures, and tree dedication. All we have to do is pay up and show up. Stop seeking reasons as to why you can't be there. After all, who knows what 1967 will bring!

Moves have been made or are due for Ted Marks to Ft. Hood, Tom Iulucci to Okinawa, Chief Lumpkin to Korea, Sid Williams to Teheran, Corky Corcoran here, George Hughes to Imperial Defence College (Jolly Olde); and John Murphy, Dick Reinbold, Dick Scott and Ernie White to the 1962-63 session of the National War College.

Tid-bits from the Journal: Mrs. Dan Halpin is Chairman of both the Hospitality and the Antiques and Home Decorating Committees of the Carlisle Wives Club; Paul Cerar is Director of the CBR Orientation Course at Dugway Proving Ground; Dan Boone has left the USAF Ballistic Missile Division, retired, and will live in Millersville, Pa.; Mrs. Robert Offley has completed her training as a Grey Lady at Ft. Bragg and been capped; Col. George Buck and four other aces from WW II and Korea were reported in a bull-session at a recent USAF Safety Congress during which George revealed that he had led a squadron of 16 P-51's into a formation of 110 ME-109's (during WW II, supposedly), the squadron scored 10 kills including three by Col. Buck before his guns jammed, and emerged without losing a man or a plane; photographed Mrs. Roger Barnes, 2d Vice-President of the DCSLOG Officers Wives Club prior to a welcoming coffee at the ANCC; dittoed Mrs. A.D. Fisken, Jr., Secretary of the West Point Hospital and Altar Guild which had just completed furnishing a lounge and reception room at the Cadet Chapel for the use of future cadet weddings; and trittooed (?) Mrs. John Crowley as one of three Army wives who are members of a teacher training group at the local John Robert Powers school.

The publicity blurbs forwarded by the Ass'n of Graduates advise that Bob Clagett is commanding an Armored Rifle Bn of the 51st Inf in Mannheim; that Charlie Fergusson is commanding the 22d Recon Sqdn, 19th Cav; that Peyt Tabb is Asst C/S for Logistics,

SETAF; and that Charlie Coleman has joined the Iranian Army Mission.

In case any of his old roomies or friends can't find any news of Ed Leavey, D/A orders advise that he is now Ed Farrington. You'll have to do more than that to hide Mary from us, Ed! Marsh Waller advised that he had seen Bill Shedd and Jim Obenchain at the AUSA meeting here in September. Sam Gustaves became the first cash customer for a copy of "Threads of Grey." I'll be glad to oblige any others whose copies are lost or strayed.

Professor Cutler wrote that our representatives in the plebe class are Walt Divers, Tom Fergusson, Doug Terrel, King Steadman, and Jim Wood. A group picture (including Yearling Mike Moran) was taken and should appear in the 20-Year Book. Ben and LaVerne Hill and two young'uns (less Rutgers-freshman Jack) had been up for the Richmond game. Yates and Helen Hill and four young'uns (less Dayton-freshman Paul) had also paid a visit. Ec went out for a briefing by Jim Obenchain on Project Michigan after which they joined Roy and Peg Johnson for the Michigan game(?).

Fred Rosell wrote from Pasadena where he will be studying electronics engineering (USC) and enclosed a news photo showing him presenting to the Chemical Corps Center in memory of Knobby Bilstin a suitably identified painting of the USMA Administration Building, done by Knobby's father. A nice thought, Fred. We hope to get the original for the Book—as well as an appropriate wedding picture of Stanley Hinkle who married a USAF Lt. at Little Rock in late November. George Hughes and Bill Harrell observed the festivities as representatives of the better D.C. element.

Had a recent call from Bill Warren reporting himself back at Meade. Enjoyed a pleasant lunch with Jack Cockrill at Sill in October. He's looking longingly at California. Dined with Kosters at Benning, also in October. Sam had two "in addition to" jobs that were keeping him busier than the Battle Group was, to the detriment of his golf. Cherie showed no sympathy. Said he'd already given her a full-time job!

The old planner, Fran Roberts, has switched the spotlight away from the "distinguished gray at the temples" to the younger set. In September the local press pictured handsome teen-age daughter Murray by the pool at Army-Navy C.C. and reported that son Randy had won the Club's trophy for the 15-and-under group. Polly certainly predominates among the kids!

Let you fear that we have completely abdicated to the juniors, read on. Another bi-sexual luncheon at Bolling on 26 September (hosted by Bob Beers who bugged out on a trip and left Boots to catch all of the last-minute guff) brought out a fine crowd, many of whom took advantage of the boat ride to get into the festive spirit and later the golf course to work off their high (hah!) spirits! On 21-22 October, the Boltons, Geigers, Gernerts, Hansts, Harrells, Munnses, Plotts, Robertses, Ryders, Sheltons, and Weigels as well as one week-end "orphan," Susie Hughes, plus some or all of the kids in each instance—and an equal number of jaunty canines—took over the Bolling Recreation Area. A rainy Saturday drove most of the men to the TV football game and the gals to bridge, mah jong, and gossip. Bud Ryder, bless 'im, took over the kids for square-dancing until they were exhausted. Plott, Shelton, Roberts,

Geiger, and one other idiot waded through nine holes to heighten their appreciation of the roaring fire and refreshments at cocktail time. After a staggering supper, Bud squared us off—and I think, would have gladly traded us in for the kids! 'Twas fun for everyone else but the caller, anyhow! Sunday brought sunshine, Scotch foursomes (won by Polly and Fran), horseback riding, sore fundaments, another fine meal at which we were joined by Dick and Martha Miles and family and a reluctant return home. John Sheffey arranged a very fine evening on Veterans Day. The Club surprised us with beef instead of fried chicken, the music was the best ever, the gals did for their formals what gals should and the male element reaped the benefits of it all.

The deadline for this copy was extended 5 days in order that the Navy game (sob!) might be covered. OK, so I've covered it! Watkinses, Duffies, Art King, Robertses, Geigers, Doug Murray, Sittersons, Hansts, Ryders, Garlands, Robbses, Woods, Cy Manniere, Bob Spilman, John Baker, Crowleys, Bill Shedd and Dopey were seen or reported in attendance. If I missed any wives, credited too many, or missed any attendees, forgive me and the haste to get this off. As for the game, what was it they used to say in Brooklyn?!?

See y'all 2 June!

JAN
'43

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I have worked up a few statistics on what has happened to our class since graduation. We had 409 graduate—85 are deceased and 61 are now in civilian life. This leaves 264 who are still on active duty of which 159 are in the Army and 105 in the Air Force. For those of you who are on active duty and have not had the privilege of observing high strategy in Washington, you will note that we have 66 classmates who are on active duty in the Washington area at the present time—in other words, one out of every four is stationed here. In addition to the 66

who are here on active duty, there are four wives living here while their husbands are on duty elsewhere (Virginia Roach—Harold in Korea; Jean Gean—Kirby in Korea; Nancy Batson—Bob at Army War College and commutes on weekends; and Priscilla Berenzwieg—B-wig in Korea) plus four in civilian life (Don Thompson—United Aircraft Corp; Paul Ellis—ACF Industries; Bill Hume—Boeing Aircraft Co.; and Johnny Johnson—American Machine and Foundry Co.) making a grand total of 74 in the Wash. area. The largest contingent in Wash. comes from old "E" Company with 13 of its members leading charmed and glamorous careers: Hal Barber, Bob Burlin, Chet Butcher, Terry Ellis, Ed Lowry, Charlie MacVeigh, Bob Muldrow, Bill Pietsch, Jim Schofield, Frank Shaw, Johnny Stephens, George Sykes, and Don Thompson.

Hal and Charity Barber are the proud parents of a son, William Baker Barber, who was born on 16 October and weighed 6 lbs., 2 ozs. I hope all you flankers will take notice of the fact that the first and last sons born to our class were from the 2d Bn.

The D. C. Chapter of the Jan '43 Wives Club had their first seasons' meeting with a "coffee" at the McLean, Va., Bowling Alley. Arrangements were made by outgoing President, Judy Waters. The class wives elected new officers for this year's organization as follows: President, Virginia Fiss; V-President, Sally Carey; Treasurer, Dot Bennett. The officers wives club is so well organized this year that they apparently do not need a secretary. Dolly Neale was the driving force behind a recent dance and coke party for all the teenagers of our class during November. About 45 teenagers attended at the home of Doug and Shirley Blue. Everyone seemed to have a grand ole time including the parents who came for their children around 10:00, with most of them not getting away until after midnight. If ever an award for bravery were awarded, an extra cluster should go to Doug and Shirley. In wives activities elsewhere, the wives of the students of the '62 Class at the Army War College were welcomed to Carlisle Barracks at a tea. Mrs. John G. Wheelock was announced as Chairman of the Wives Golf Committee. Mrs. Alfred L. Toth was recently honored at a

farewell tea in the regency room of the Barksdale AFB (La.) Officers' Club. Al is leaving for Korea and she for their home in Philadelphia.

The Army has still not given up trying to educate some of our finest. Herb Kemp is attending the Fall 1961 Associate Course at the C&GSC at Ft. Leavenworth; this class will graduate in Jan '62. Herb is assigned to the AAA Tng Cen, Camp Davis, N.C. Also attending this course from Wash. is Art Grace who is in DCS/LOG, Construction Div. Still another is Al Freer who is on TDY to attend this course from his present location with the N.Y. Eng District in New York City. The latest list of Air Force officers to attend senior service schools was recently announced: George Weart to the National War College with B-Ball Harrington selected as an alternate; Chester Butcher will attend the ICAF. School starts in the summer of 1962 with graduation a year later. Our present NWC students have selected their trips for early in 1962 and Bill Pitts will see what he's been missing in Europe all these years; Tom Beeson is on the Far East swing and Johnny Baer is brushing up on his spick for the Latin American tour.

Our class President, Joe Conmy headed up a big boondoggle to Europe during October. Joe conducted important affairs in Switzerland, Paris, and London. I had asked him to be on the look-out for any newsworthy items on his trip and I guess that he was so engrossed in the pleasures of the capitals of Europe that he just didn't run into anyone. He did notice a feature story in the 1 October edition of the European *Stars & Stripes* on Frank Camm who is the CO of the 521st Engr Gp, Seventh Army, at Kaiserslautern. The article explained what a fine job this outfit was doing and how lucky they were to have such an aggressive and enterprising CO.

The class had its annual Fall Cocktail Party at Ft. Belvoir Officer's Club on Friday 3 November. We had a pretty good turn-out as you can see from the picture which Bob Burlin arranged to have taken. Arrangements for the party were made by Joe Benson. I have included in this issue a couple of pictures left over from our picnic last summer which shows Rex Dettre, Ace Elliott, and Jo Norris staggering around 1st base. We have some new arrivals in the Wash. area. Quint Goss has arrived from the Air War College for duty at the Hqs AF Systems Command at Andrews AFB. Freddey King and Don Vleck both from Holloman AFB, N.M., are also new arrivals at Hqs AFSC at Andrews. John Moses is now in the Wash. area and is on duty in the Office of the Chief Signal Office. Jim Hackler has been featured in several articles in the sports section of the *Wash. Post*. This fall he won the Hqs USAF Golf Tournament which was held at the Army-Navy Country Club and lo and behold if Jim wasn't presented with an appropriately inscribed martini shaker. If they can't beat Jim fair and square, they will keep him loaded. Jim and Lt. Gen. Timberlake paired up in a Nation-wide tournament at Myrtle Beach, S.C., which was held to commemorate a new swanky golf course there. Jim also works in Tactical Requirements in the Pentagon. Bill Hovde, the top fighter ace in our class (20½ victories (19½ in Europe—1 in Korea) plus 4 lamp posts in Mexico City), is the Secretary of USAF Fighter Aces Ass'n. The fighter aces got together at Philadelphia

JAN '43 FALL COCKTAIL PARTY, FT. BELVOIR, 3 NOVEMBER



Front row: left to right: Starnes, Thompson, Sykes, Marshall, Burlin, Richards, Armstrong, Bevan. Second row: Mrs. Sykes, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Rebh, Mrs. Blue, Mrs. Neale, Mrs. McVeigh, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Fiss, Mrs. Hackler, Mrs. Conmy, Mrs. Waters, Mrs. Bevan, Mrs. Armstrong. Third row: Benson, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Talbot, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Flatley, Mrs. Benner, Benner, Mrs. Thompson, Talbot, Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Benson, Conmy, Mrs. Lewis, Waters, Mrs. Starnes, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Berenzweig, Mrs. Marshall. Fourth row: Stevens, Flatley, McVeigh, Hood, Rebh, Hackler, Louis, Shaw, Fiss, Stevens, Moses.

recently during the Air Force Ass'n. Convention with Billy arranging affairs. Bob and Virginia Fiss went up to New York City for the Army-Oklahoma game and when he returned he reported that he didn't see a single classmate—maybe it is because Bob got his tickets from the U. of Okla. and sat on the wrong side of the field! Tibby Anderson has a new job as Chief of the Joint Actions Control. He sees that all the Army briefings before the JCS are ready. Joe Hamilton has been shifted to a new assignment and is now in charge of the AF Space Plan. Johnny Raaen and John Kuffner are both connected with the Atomic Energy Commission in Germantown, Md. Duke Kane was a recent contributor to the Air University Quarterly Review in an article entitled "Technical Breakthrough."

I have received three letters from my ace correspondent in Germany—Ben Edwards. The Edwards clan is in fine shape, having survived the move from Sembach to Hahn last summer. Jane Anne has found time to take a short trip to Copenhagen with some of the other wives from the base. Ben, even though in the missile business, has found opportunity to wangle into the F-100 racket on the side. He says that Ben and Dee Baber are at Bad Krueznach as CO of the 8th Sig Bn and wears another hat as Sig Off for the 8th Div. Stu and Jane Meyer are also at Bad K as Brigade Exec in the 8th Inf Div. Ralph and Sally Hoffman are in the 2d Recon Sqdn, 14th Armd Cav. Bad Kissingen, and Horold Wehrle has a squadron of the 14th Armd Cav at Straubing. Bill Myers is still rumored to be in Heidelberg Post.

Tut Frakes has been guarding the Falcons during the football season and reports that his daughter Larue will be in College next year and son Steve in High School. Bob Fischel and Oliver DeGruchy were seen at the AFA-Cincinnati game. Bob Whitlow who was the first Director of Athletics at the AFA came to the UCLA opener and Bill Hensel attended the N.M. game in Albuquerque.

Jim Kelleher writes from Korea that he has been quite busy on field exercises of one type or another and although the time goes pretty fast in the field, he is already looking forward to completing his tour and getting home next summer. Jim sees Marv Berenzweig, CO of 7th Cav, 1st Cav Div, and Jim reports that Marv has just completed a remodeling job on his officers' club and it is really first-rate. Jim Cobb who is CO, 31st Arty, 7th Inf Div, is not far from Jim. Jim was host at a dinner party recently for some of the gang who have been recently stationed at West Point. Jim has seen Johnny Ross only once since he has been over there. John is S-2 of the 4th Cav, 1st Cav Div. Jim says



Jan '43: Ace Elliott wearing the latest in baseball sandals.

that since he has been to Korea he has had a sincere desire to help some of the luckless children that he sees around and has decided to adopt two of them to add to his household. He says that his wife, Mary Jo and all of his daughters are all in favor of this provided he gets boys about 2 to 3 years old. In addition to those mentioned, Roger Bertrum has recently been assigned to the 76th Engr Bn in Korea.

Last but not least I have received the straight poop from the Army's senior representative in Tunisia who says that he and the place have been in a wild flap since the Battle of Bizerte. The six Knowltons along with the five Fausts "sailed" to Italy on the ship *Geiger*. On the trip Ed Faust found himself senior Lt. Col. and was thus made CO of troops; he promptly found that all Navy types one rank lower were in better cabins and got that straightened out pronto. When the Knowltons arrived in Tunisia, the Battle of Bizerte broke out within just a week or two and turned what looked like a peaceful 2-year tour into a real busy and important assignment. Bill Jr. who has since returned to prep school in the states was proudly photographed first with Tunisian partisans and then with troops of the Foreign Legion. Bill has talked to Chuck Alfano once when he was in Frankfurt, and had dinner with Sam and Marian Karrick in Paris. He says that Sam appears to be the only CINCEUR Hq type on jump status and that he periodically gathers himself into a light Army-type plane and falls out. All in all the Knowltons are enjoying their tour. The kids are beginning to speak French and some Arabic. Bill invites any and all to come and visit him, but cautions to please wear civilian clothes.

I had a visit from Cliff Butler who at present is the Chief of Personnel, Manpower & Training of the 6595th Test Wing at Vandenberg AFB, Calif. The 6595th is the outfit which is doing much of our missile and space development work. Cliff has seen Mike Robinson recently who is at the Downey Plant at North American Aviation and is associated with the GAM-77 Hound-Dog project. Bill Lewis who has been at Vandenberg for some time has been transferred to the

Ballistic Systems Division at Inglewood, Calif.

I flew down to Langley the other day to check up on a rumor that Roy Bowlin has been transferred there from Okinawa. The rumor proved true and Roy is in the operations division at Hq, Tac Air Comd. I didn't get to see him because he was, of all places—out flying. I did discover while I was there that Bill Criss participated in an overwater flight across the Atlantic in an F-100F. As an old bomber jockey, Bill says he finally now recognizes that the fighter pilots are here to stay. Dick Batson, who is currently attending the Army War College, was recently awarded the Army Commendation Medal for outstanding performance of duty during his recent assignment with the Blast and Shock Division of Defense Atomic Support Agency. I received a press release from the General Electric Corporation announcing that Hugh Mease of Sherbrooke Road, Manlius, former manager of the Heavy Military Electronics Department's Product Planning and Programmed Analysis Sub-Section, has been appointed head of a new business development planning organization which is designed to keep pace with the Nation's changing defense requirements of the missile and space age. We are all pleased with Hugh's promotion and from the 5-page, single-space press release accompanying this announcement, I see that the GE public relations men are as prolific as ever. Paul Croonquist has returned from Saudia Arabia and has been assigned to the Infantry Training Center at Ft. Ord, Calif. He is living at Pebble Beach with his wife Phoebe and four children. Jack Wood, who has been serving in Laos as the MAAG representative to the Ministry of National Security (Defense), is returning to Hawaii for duty at CINCPAC Special Warfare Branch, J-3, in March '62. Bob and Helen Bightler are at the Army Language School in California where Bob is learning Korean in preparation for duty beginning this coming summer in MAAG Korea. At the rate things are going, I am contemplating a recommendation that the class Hq be moved to Korea—where everyone seems to end up sooner or later.

Burt and Marcia Hood journeyed up to Philly for the Navy game. Burt said that the seats for our class were rather scattered and he may not have seen everyone. With him from Wash. were the Bensons, Sykes, and Johnsons. From West Point: the Sebestas and Heltzels. Also the Wheelocks, Upchurches, Lundbergs, Fenilis, Andreports, Changaris and Harold Walker who is a branch manager with the American Gas Ass'n in New York City. Don Wilbourn reports that Charlie Heltzel has managed to shoot himself a 115-lb. buck, and so will have deerburger for some time to come.



Rex Dettre hitting into a double-play.



Jan '43: John Norris beats out a slow roller.

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Greetings—and a happy “Gloom Period” to you, too.

Well, the annual contest is over (just over at the time of this writing) and once again we must console ourselves with a hopeful “wait till next year.” While the great majority of us watched the game on television, a fortunate few managed to see it in person. While the following is probably not complete, it does report on some of those present. Clare and Jane Farley went in style on the “Presidential Special” train. Clare was busy for some time before the day of the game making arrangements for the President’s attendance. As major domo of the “West Point Desk” in DCSOPS, he had the responsibility for making sure that all went right. The only thing he didn’t fix was the game.

Others from the Washington area went by bus. I have only a partial report on this group. Rip Collins and Bob Sonstelie arranged the trip. Among the passengers were Rip and Ginny Collins, Bob and Val Sonstelie, Ned and Ginny Schramm. Bruce and Barbara Arnold, Bill and Ginny DeBrocke, Charlie Wilson, Ed Burdett, Dick McCord, Ness and Wanda Nesselbush (who are proud parents of an 8-week-old baby girl), John and Rita Kelly, Nick Parker, Al and Edie Shiely, Bob and Carol DeCamp. Others seen at the game were Bill Peak, Bud Bolling, Fletch Veach, Mac McKenzie, Ned Burr, George Cantlay, Al Jones, Jack Morris, Warren Hecker, Al Orlean, Roger Hilsman, and Ed Fredericks. Quite a turnout!

Some of the Washington stay-at-homes gathered at the John and Myla Hudson’s to watch the game. A partial listing included Charlie and Betty Benson, Ben and Barbara Cassidy, Roger and Mazie Conarty, Tim and Fran Ireland, Jim and Dotty Lothrop, Robin and Ella Olds, Jim and Ida Pugh, Gordie and Dee Schraeder, Sandy and Chris Semback, Dick and Carolyn Schaefer, and Cab and Corine Brannon. All agreed that it was an enjoyable get-together in spite of the results of the game.

The evening of the game, some of the classmates living in the Annandale-Springfield (Va.) area got together at Lorry and Betty Thomas’ house for a pot-luck and BYOL session. Clare and Jane Farley gave details of the game (and their ride on the Presidential Special) to Les and Betty Hardy, George and Barbara Newman, Bill and Dorothy Tomlinson, Frank and Judy Rhea, Fred and Marie Herres, Wally and Peggy Magathan, Bob and Vivian Mattox, Dutch Umlauf, and Bill Malone. The latter two were batching it as Ginny Umlauf and Nancy Malone both had a touch of the flu.

After the last column, I received a letter from Jack Morris which took note of “the desperate tone in the closing paragraph of the last column.” Jack thereupon proceeded to chip in some poop on the class at the Army War College. The class contingent numbers 11 this year: Bud and Fran Bolling, John and Ginny Brier, Ned and Nikki Burr, George and Billie Cantlay, Allan and Lynn Jones, Mac and Claire McKenzie, Jack and Gerry Morris, Bill and Beanie Peak, Fred and Mary Proctor. Fletch and Dorothy Veach, and Bill, and Dale Welsh. All the classmates are in good health (apparently) and are making the most of the local offerings. However,

they will all be much happier when *the thesis* is finished.

Word from far off Korea has come through that Jocko Loughman is commanding the 82d Arty in the 1st Cav Div. While he is in Korea, Harriette is living in Osterville, Mass.

On the other side of the world, Luke Wright has taken over command of the 5th Missile Bn, 42d Arty, in Germany. Luke’s last assignment was as PMS&T at Xavier U., Cincinnati, Ohio. Mary Wright is currently in Meridian, Miss., waiting (impatiently, no doubt) to join Luke in Germany.

Johnny Moses (currently assigned to the Army Artillery Board at Ft. Bliss) and Steve Brown (currently assigned as CONARC liaison officer to the Engineer Proving Ground at Ft. Belvoir, Va.) are both on TDY to Ft. Leavenworth attending the associate course at C&GSC.

Clarke and Betty Baldwin are at Ft. Knox, but what Clarke is doing I don’t know.

Thorpe Grice has left the 4th Missile Bn in Georgia and is now at the Army Language School studying Spanish in preparation for a tour of duty in Peru.

Jesse and Jane Fishback are leaving Los Angeles for an assignment to the Ord Missile Comd at Redstone Arsenal. Jesse has been busy working with the Engineers on the missile base construction program for the past year.

Bob and Vivian Mattox went to the Army-Oklahoma game in NYC — as did Les and Betty Hardy from the DC area. Bob reported on seeing Si Silvester and Walt Mitchell. Si was on a visit from his AF base up in Maine and Walt is a civilian living in New Jersey (I think).

Harry Schroeder made a quick trip to the Pentagon from Ft. Carson early in December. Dutch Umlauf saw him and passed this poop to me.

John Hudson was awarded the Legion of Merit in November for his service as Dep Cmdr for Resources, AF Ballistic Missile Div, ARDC, for the period 1955-59. (Incidentally, John did not furnish this poop. I got it from my spies.)

Early one morning in the latter part of November, I ran into Bill Westbrook in the Pentagon Concourse. He was in for a quick trip on business for the AF, but I did not manage to get any details—even where he is now stationed.

Chuck Wilson and his wife have returned from an attaché tour in Russia to an assignment in the Pentagon. Shortly after their return a new Wilson was added to the family and Chuck was busy passing out the cigars.

I received a newsy letter from Bob Burrows who is now on duty as the Asst Army Attaché in New Delhi, India. He wrote: “Had a nice trip over, stopping 5 days in Hawaii where we saw Bob Rookers and Pinky Winfield. Had another 5 days at Clark Field where we were treated royally by Mike Beckett’s brother-in-law. . . . We are now living at 14 Sunder Hagar, New Delhi, and the phone is 75215. The latchstring is always out to anyone who is passing through. Bob McCanna has already been here for a few days’ leave. We are enjoying India and will enjoy it a lot more when it cools off.”

Bob McCanna has, since the foregoing letter, returned to this happy land and is now assigned to DCSOPS. Bob returned home to Ft. Lewis where Bev and the children were staying while he was in Korea and, after pausing long enough to pack up the furniture,

started out across the country en route to D.C. Bob and Bev have now settled down in a house in Springfield, Va., where Bob is now a fellow commuter to his desk in the Pentagon.

Well, once again, the well has run dry. I’ve reached the end of my notes and there is no use trying to make further conversation.

We are all fine at this end of the line and since no news is good news we presume you are fine too.

If you do find time on a cold wintery night, drop us a line on where you are and what you are doing.

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Here’s an alphabetical rundown of who is where according to last word I had: Bob Algermissen is in AF plans in Washington. Winston Anderson was promoted to colonel while at War College this year but don’t know where he is now. Bob Armstrong at last report was an instructor at AF Civil Engineering school in Dayton. Jimmy Adamson in Washington.

George Brown in D.C. Roy Bahls still teaching at an RAF school in England. Gordy Bunnell is in Washington. Heath Bottomly, a new colonel, supposed to go to Hq of USAF this past summer. George Blanchard in Korea. Bob Brotherton in AF Intelligence in Washington. Bill Bingham is in Alaska. Fred Black in Washington.

Geoff Cheadle at MIT in his second year of work for a PhD in Astronautics. Kenny Cooper in Washington in office of Sec Def. Think Carlson is at Belvoir. Jack Cushman in D.C. with General Counsel’s office, OSD. Johnny Calhoun teaching at AF Academy. Frank Cash has the German desk in the State Department and traveling to high-level conferences in connection with that job. Joe Cutrona in Washington with Army Information. Jim Cumberpatch also in D.C. doing legislative work in Hq USAF. Jim Connell still in the Far East with the Seventh Fleet. Courtney with Hq USAF.

Bob Day set as Registrar and Director of Admissions at West Point. Dick Dennen at Ballistics Systems in Los Angeles. Jim Dunham in California with an R&D company. John Desmond in England at an Army school on an exchange basis. Bob Daly in Washington. Charles Daniel in Korea. De la Mater in Paris at SHAPE.

Ace Edmunds, colonel since last March, just finished Naval War College. New assignment is unknown to me.

Bill Fullilove in Hawaii with Hq PACAF. Steve Farris in Washington with AF Plans. Fairbrother with Hq USAF.

Bob Ginsburg is Asst Exec to C/S, USAF, and also the proud father of a baby daughter. Don Gruenther I think is in Washington but more important he surely holds the class record with eight children. Betty Gamble and children are living in Culpepper, Va. Fred Geltz is somewhere with SAC.

Joe Hale also at MIT where he is in his third year of work towards a PhD in Astronautics. Dave Henderson went to Air War College in July but has probably moved on by now. Bill Henderson at Ballistics Systems Div in Los Angeles. Roger Hempleman reported to be in Salina, Kan., with SAC. Gerry Hall in Washington with Paint and Varnish Institute. Doc Hayward in Washing-

ton. Tom **Hoxie**, recently promoted to colonel, finished Air War College in June and think he is now with SAC. Bass **Handley** in Washington.

Martin **McCoy** with Hq., USAF, as is Bill **Milnor** and Art **McLean**. Roy **Marshall** and Bob **Morrison** both in Washington. Alex **Maish** now in his second tour in Washington and Bill **McGlothlin** also there with Secretariat of JCS. **McElvey** with Ballistics Systems Div in Los Angeles and Frank **Merritt** last heard from in the Congo.

Mike **Nelson** in Washington and Lewis **Norman** last heard from at BSD in Los Angeles. Think Ivan **Nealson** is living in California in a civilian status.

Ed **O'Donnell** supposed to be at Benning commanding an Engineer battalion.

Bob **Peugh** with an electronics company in or near Philadelphia. Nels **Parsons** in Washington. Bob **Pearce** in Korea. Fred **Porter** with an AF group in Ottawa.

The **Roddens** still in England. Bob **Reagan** in Los Angeles with BSD and Bob **Royem** in AF Hq. Dusty **Rivers** in Washington with AF Intelligence.

Fred **Smith** is in Washington. Bob **Sellers** resigned about a year ago and is in Seattle with Boeing. Bill **Steger** still at Cheyenne with SAC. Chuck **Sampson**, recently made colonel, is at AF Academy as Asst Dean. Ralph **Sciolla** in Washington and Norm **Shepard** at Belvoir. Lee **Smith**, also recently promoted to colonel, is at Harvard Graduate School for a year. **Steffes** is in Spain with SAC and Winfield **Scott** in Washington. John **Susott** in Waco with Air Tng Comd. Rock **Staser**, Dave **Silver**, and John **Sanders** all in Washington.

John **Trimmer**, Tom **Tarpley**, and Corbie **Truman** all in Washington.

Bob **Wessels** is in Washington and John **Williams** in Venezuela.

George **Brown**, Bill **Humma**, and George **Tuttle** are now attending Army War College at Carlisle Barracks and will be there until next June.

Wolf **Wolfinger**, John **Brown**, Ed **Millington**, and Dallas **Knoll** are all at Leavenworth in C&GSC. All but John will finish early in December and he will be there until about next May. John was recently honored for good work he did as systems engineer and chief of the Automatic Data Processing Task Force while in Washington the past four years.

Knocking around West Point these days are Pitts, Tommy **Flynn**, C. S. **Johnson**, **Wallis**, **Forsythe**, **Cabaniss**, **Snow**, **Day**, and **Halstead**. Pitts seems to be the party organizer and ringleader. Visitors in for ball games this Fall included Les **Hendrickson**, **Muller**, **Becker**, **Lisenby**, **Howell**, **McAuliffe**, **Bottomly**, and Bob **Drake** who was on his way to join the 4th Inf at Ft. Lewis, Wash.

We were saddened to learn of the accidental death in early November of Robert S. (Bob) **Mills** at his home in Myrtle Beach, S.C. Bob's family will continue to live in Myrtle Beach.

Bill **Marks** and E. C. **Parker** are both living in South Carolina now. Bill is a partner in a contracting company in Charleston after having been in San Francisco for some while. E. C. owns a Chevrolet agency in Clinton. Buck **Boyles** had been in Charleston at The Citadel but is now in Hawaii.

Al **Weston**, Keith **Eiler**, and Les **Halstead** at West Point, together with George **Pappas** at Ent AFB and myself, are still wanting to hear from some of you relative to a 20-year

reunion and yearbook. The West Point group is willing to get the ball rolling if there is sufficient interest. We need lots of help and particularly from three or four who will be in Washington for at least the next two or three years. Let us hear from you if you want to help on the book and/or push this project along with some sort of reunion plans. I think we should all get together while we're physically able to enjoy ourselves. One way I can tell our class age is that our seats at ball games are getting to be in a pretty good location. When we get to the 50-yard line I doubt if we'll be able to appreciate it.

Late development: the plans mentioned above for the 20-year reunion and yearbook have now been formulated and work on these two projects is getting under way. Nels **Parson** in Washington is going to coordinate all activities from there. The yearbook is being planned by Nels, George **Pappas**, Ollie **Patton**, George **Hayman**, Bob **Morrison**, George **Wear**, and Les **Halstead**.

Nels has set up plans for the reunion and right now and is enlisting help from Dusty **Rivers**, Bill **McGlothlin**, Chuck **Sampson**, Gerry **Mickle**, and Les.

All of you will be hearing from some of these early workers. Some of you will be asked to do some work on the projects and all of us can help by sending in the information you will be asked for as well as a small charge for expenses. If you have any ideas on either of these plans or want to volunteer to help, please write Nels **Parson** in Washington.

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The first thing I should report to you is that Bill **Love** is a man of his word; I had been in the Pentagon only a week when I received the SOS from Bill. So with this issue, for better or for worse, you have a new reporter.

Most of you will agree that as the 20-year mark approaches, the people we know assume greater importance; for with 1965 and the years beyond, retirement will begin. It is our hope that this column may assume an importance beyond mere fraternal reporting. This, however, is purely up to you; only you can make it anything more than it has been in the past. As for methods of making the column more representative, interesting, and useful, here are some suggestions:

1. Box 15, Ft. Myer, Va., is the permanent address of the class. Add this address to your address book list that most of us have for PCS's. A simple change of address card will provide your class officers with an up-to-date roster and your column with some news. Better yet would be a postal card or letter at PCS time with a summary of news about yourself.

2. Each of you is solicited for a family picture and written summary similar to those in the 10-year book. Priority will be given to the pictures and word summaries of those classmates whose summaries or pictures did not get published in our 10-year book.

3. We would like to set up a system of sub-reporters so to speak. The class is much too large for one man to keep up with. What we would like to have is someone in each branch of service in the Army, each major command in the Air Force, and each major geographical area for retired and civilian

members. This individual would be a permanent representative who would send to Box 15 every 3 months a summary of news of those classmates in his respective branch, command, or area. This system should provide coverage for the entire class. So, if you are interested in your own classmates in your branch, command, or area and in being of service to the class as a whole, inform me of your interest and I will send you the deadline dates for each column and notify the class in the next column.

4. Do not assume someone else will report your whereabouts and doings; cast aside your modesty, get out your horn, and toot it for yourself.

The best way to give you the news I have assembled (to date one letter in Box 15) is for you to join me in my travels the last few months. I apologize in advance for errors—my research staff of 0 is not very efficient; all corrections will be eagerly received and published. For future columns, I hope the news can be divided into Army, Air Force, and Retired-Civilian headings to make it more readable.

Ricky and I, with Kathryn, John, and Francine left Heilbronn, Germany, in June after 15 months of the type of duty that keeps most of us in the service, command of the 237th Engr Combat Bn. This left Bob and Toni **Tongue**, Ord, the only class representatives there. Bob was XO in 101st Ord Bn; a recent announcement from them sent word of arrival of Augusta, daughter and child number 2. Joe and Pat **McDonough**, Inf, departed a month before we did after a year as S-3 and XO in the 54th Armd Inf Bn of the 4th Armd Div. They are now located in Springfield—Joe in Pentagon in DCSPER. En route to Bremerhaven, we drove through Holland and stopped at Schoesterberg Air Base. Boots **Blesse**, LC-AF, had been base commander and fighter squadron CO for about 3 years and was headed for California and flight safety job this summer. Met Jo **Barnes** on ship; Bill, Engr, was still at work in USAREUR Hq. Jo, three children, and her mother were on their way to Albuquerque for a short visit before returning to Germany.

Contacted Nick **Carter**, LC-Inf, upon arrival in Washington area. Nick is with DASA (Defense Atomic Support Agency—successor to AFSWP). Others in DASA besides yours truly are Bud **Pitzer**, Arty, and Berny **Johnsrud**. Figured Bill **Taylor**, Engr-Maj-Ret, could aim me in the proper direction for finding a house in which to live. He did—and this is as good a reason as any to select him for this issue's personality. I'll skip the info covered in the 10-year book and mention only some of the highlights since.

WILLIAM B. TAYLOR

Bill and Nance have replaced the (?) in the 10-year book with a daughter, Cathy-5, and a son David-6 months, for a total of five. Those who remember that Bill was retired after a year's siege with polio will be happy to know he looks fit, feels fine—this should be obvious!!!—drives his car, spans his children, and now works at Ft. Belvoir with GIMRADA. For the uninitiated, this is a Corps of Engineers agency: Geodesy, Intelligence, Mapping, Research and Development Agency. This assignment in Civil Service follows previous jobs with the AEC and OCE in the nuclear power field. When questioned as to what he did in GIMRADA,

Bill, in all modesty, replied: "I'm Vice-President in charge of the World." So you figure it out.

The class luncheon at Ft. Myer on 4 October was attended by 38 classmates, an estimated 20-30% of those in the Washington area. Until Mick McMurdo compiles a new roster, we won't really know who is here. Those present: Mick McMurdo (elected at this meeting as the new president of the Washington area contingent), Tyler, Krebs, Seeger, Skelton, McDaniel, Reynoldson, Nerdahl, Pitzer, Rasmussen, Rinearson, Pat Callahan, Pete Pratt, Jim Graham, Sherwood, Nunn, Lewis, Olds, Herron, MacIntire, Favret, Stick, Bill Perry, Conniff, Chuck Curtis, Ingham, Adkisson, Downing, Patchell, McNamee, White, Geer, Kovar, Bill Love, Del Fowler, Russ McGovern, McMurray, Reese.

The following notes were reported by those present. Jerry Briscoe going to AFSC, Norfolk, from Laos as assistant attaché. To prove that our class is a real cross section of the USA, Jim Jorowitz, who resigned about 1955 and stayed in the New Jersey Air National Guard, has been recalled in the grade of major as director of operations in a fighter group. Joe Martinez, Inf, is in 2d year of EE course at Georgia Tech; he wrote Hap MacIntire for his school notes. Laird Woolley, Arty, graduated from Georgia Tech in June in Aero Engineering and is now on Aviation Board, Ft. Rucker, as Project Engineer. Dave Fink, Inf, at Army Finance School, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, after receiving degree in Industrial Management from Georgia Tech. Arch Arnold off for Viet Nam with Barb and children staying in Cincinnati. Mel Price to same garden spot with Barb and family staying in Florida. John Graham and family moving from Greenboro, N.C. to Raleigh, N.C., in the near future—bigger and better job in the offing. Wag Wagonhurst and family now at AFSC after four years at Leavenworth; Wag headed for Germany in January. Bob Reese received letter from George Withey in Viet Nam. Nancy and children living in Alexandria, Va. Warren Stumpe reported moving up in the American Machine and Foundry organization, now acting manager of the Greenwich Engineering Division in addition to his duties as manager of the Mechanical Laboratory. Walt Carter will be in Washington for a management course at George Washington U. in January. J.D. Murphy and Russ McGovern completed Psychology course at U. of Miami in June 61. Frank Pavia now there studying Business Management—will graduate in spring of '62.

En route to Albuquerque and DASA Field Command, I was waiting in the lounge at Love Field in Dallas for my flight; who should walk through the door in civilian clothes but Bill Gardiner. He and family are at White Sands, N.M.; Bill is OCE representative there for engineer equipment of Nike Zeus. For those who may remember, Bill resigned around 1957. The best way to condense Bill's 30-minutes of reasons for being back in the service is that "he and the family missed the Army and all its undefinable benefits."

At Sandia Base, N.M., I was entertained royally by Bill and Marge McGuinness and George and Dodie Smith. Bill and Marge are expecting number 7 during the period next year when Bill attends the short course at Leavenworth. The Smiths and Dick and Marge Driscoll provided notes on several class-

mates. George, in his capacity in the Maintenance and Inspections area of DASA Field Command, recently made an extended trip to the Far East. He reported the following. Jim Christiansen, Arty, is aide to Gen. Collins, CG USARPAC. Martha and children are residing on post. Willie Rogers, Inf, in G-4 USARPAC. Tom Fitzpatrick, Arty, Bn XO in Gen Spt Bn, 21st Arty, Schofield. Jim Maris, Arty, really living it up at Ft. DeRussy on Waikiki Beach as advisor to Hawaii Reserve. Bob Mann, Arty, seems to have had the 'school solution' for Korea and hardship tours; while assigned to Korea, he managed to tour the US and Europe as the Eighth Army member of a safety group. This tour, incidentally, included gay Paree. Bob has now come back to earth with Office Chief of R&D in Washington. Pat Powers, Arty, was last reported as XO in the G-3 section of Eighth Army in Seoul. Carl Steinhagen, Arty-Resgd, last reported with General Electric in Syracuse—believed to be in Connecticut, Florida, or Massachusetts. How about a report from someone on Carl's whereabouts? Skip Miller, Resgd, residing at 1401 Valencia Drive NE, Albuquerque, is principal owner of the largest realty company in New Mexico.



Cliff Myers, AF-Resgd, reported as New England manager with one of the divisions of General Electric. One of his last Christmas cards indicated the Myers were expecting number 10. Can anyone top this??? Bruce and Frannie Barnard in El Paso running a new shopping center. Les Ayres with AEC in San Francisco, still full of good words and advice. Sylvan Salter with Office Chief of R&D in Washington. Phil Dolan along with Buster Hayden with Dept of Nuclear Weapons at Ft. Leavenworth. Jag Jagiello last reported with Military Armistice Commission in Korea.

The second night out on the town, the Smiths invited me to attend the annual West Point dinner and meeting of the Albuquerque West Point Society. Those in attendance were the Smiths, Driscolls, and Don and Dianne Kohler. Don, Arty, is with R&D of DASA Field Command. From the roster of the Albuquerque WPS, the following: Bill McGlynn, AF, 1226 12th Loop, Sandia Base, assigned to R&D at Field Command, recently moved across town from Kirtland AFB and AF Special Weapons Comd; Buck Attinger, AF, 2078 Redwing Place, Kirtland AFB; Bruto Bruton, 214 Perimeter Dr. SE, Albuquerque; Rocco Tierno, 2007 W. Sandia Drive, Sandia Base; Pat Hurley, Resgd, 1824 Lafayette NE, Albuquerque.

So endeth the account of my travels and encounters except for the daily ones in and out of Corridor 8 to North Parking and in

the sandwich line of the 1st floor cafeteria in the Pentagon. Bo Lewis reports via Box 15 from 544-A Marshall Road, Fairfax Village, Ft. Belvoir, the arrival of their first child 12 October 1961, Bo III. Buck Rankin reported in September that he and George Daoust are students at the Army Language School at Monterey, Calif. Buck is studying Turkish; George is studying German prior to heading for Vienna. Bob Zeidner is in the training department at the school. Al Bail, civilian now, reported working as civil engineer on missile base construction and living at 4000 E. 21st St., Wichita, Kan. A letter to Mick McMurdo from Bob Marben resulted from the usual invitation to the Washington area class luncheon. Bob moved from the area here to 502 Hyde Park Drive, Richardson, Tex., north of Dallas on Highway 75. He reports moving to Texas for greener pastures and better commuting and that the latter, at least, is a reality.

Ted Wagner reports from his home address of 707 Sunset Drive, Kingston, Tenn., the following news about Jim Shilstone. From Ted's home address and his interest in the welding business, I suppose we can assume he is still with the Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Company. Anyhow, Jim resigned from the Army in 1950 and joined the Shilstone Testing Laboratory in New Orleans. In the next few years he organized the Department of Nondestructive Testing in the laboratory, served 21 months at Ft. Sam Houston and in Korea during the Korean War, was discharged, married, and now has a son aged 6 and a daughter aged 5, and has become manager of the laboratory. He has delivered various papers at annual meetings of the American Welding Society and Society for Nondestructive Testing. He is currently District Director of District 4 of the American Welding Society, serves on the Board of Directors for the society, and is chairman of the Baton Rouge Economic and Industrial Board. After a speech at Oak Ridge recently, Jim was headed for Washington to try to get NASA to build their Mercury Training Laboratory in his part of the country. This is just one more example to illustrate the fact that '45 has and is influencing, in some small measure, almost every field of endeavor in our country.

Jack and Shirley Hoffman are residing in Alexandria, Va., while Jack works in Aircraft R&D for Army Chief of Transportation. He exchanged the AF blue for Army green in early 1960; after many years in high performance and multi-engined aircraft, he is now flying fixed-wing planes for the Army. A transfer in the other direction is that of Mark Rivers, who recently donned the AF blue.

Wives serving on the good (?) end of hardship tours in the Washington area include Helen Rhett and El Denz. Jack and "Oinie," both Engr, are serving in Greenland and Korea, respectively.

Lida Nichols living in the Falls Church area here in Washington while Bill, JAGC, completes short course at Leavenworth. They recently returned after a rough assignment in Puerto Rico. Kathleen Clymer and children reportedly in Casper, Wyo. Dave returned to Ft. Ord in May to command the 84th Engr Const Bn in time to take it to France. How about a short note from either of you as to the latest? Bill Kratz now commanding the 12th Engr Bn of the 8th Inf Div in Germany after completing the l-o-o-o-n-g

course at Benning Jump School. Faye **Worthington** is presently Schools Officer in personnel division of OCE in Washington. Faye and Yole have added a third daughter to their family since the 10-year book publication.

My European spy — not a classmate — tells me Jim Brownell now commands the 299th Engr Bn and Bill Barnes slated to command the 547th Engr Bn in Hoechst and Darmstadt, respectively.

The class extends sincerest condolences to Dorsey Mahin on the death of his wife in an automobile accident in Germany. As reported in a recent column, Dorsey, an ex-Engr, is now in the Army Medical Corps. The recent pleasure of joining the rest of the class as a major has no doubt been lost in his sadness. Dorsey is now stationed at Walter Reed if my information is correct.

From Pete **Dillard**, a neighbor, the following news from the AF. Among the Air Force files seen around the Washington area are Giff **Holden**, Tony **Parrish**, Hank **Stick**. Al **Blue**, Bill **Lilley**, John **Chickering**, and Chuck **Segar**, all at Andrews AFB. The Pentagon has claimed Pete **Dillard**, Bob **Lake**, Dick **Perez**, John **Sherwood**, and Auge **Puchrik**. Bill **Craig** has found time to leave his job at Norton AFB, Calif., to make an occasional trip to D. C. Frank **Lish** and Jack **Knight** appear to be homesteading at Offutt AFB and Wright Patterson AFB, respectively. Walt **Carter** has been at March AFB so long that he has forgotten what the East Coast looks like. John **Callahan** is already knee deep in snow at Dow AFB where he is advisor to the Maine ANG.

Bob and Alice **Burgess** have just given up the big quarters comfort of Leavenworth where Bob has been Comptr at CGSC for the past two years. They are now settled in northern Va. (aren't we all??) and Bob will be the Comptr for the Defense Communications Agency. Bill **Stewart** has been home for two weeks of R&R from his assignment in Thule. Dick **West** is working as chief of Plans and Intelligence Div of the Engr Section of Eighth Army in Korea. His wife, June, is at 1339 Halo Dr., Honolulu, Hawaii. **Boberg** recently joined the rush to D.C. via the Army Map Service. Attending the Fall-Winter session of the C&GSC short course at Leavenworth were **Harrington**, from Presidio of Monterey, Barney **Schneekloth**, from the 2d Armd Div at Ft. Hood, and Joe **Stanowicz** (hope none of the instructors stepped on his toe) assigned to MAAG Viet Nam.

AWARDS

Joe **Berg** is shown here receiving the Army Commendation Medal from Maj. Gen. Harold K. **Johnson**, commandant of C&GSC at Leavenworth. Joe was attending the short course. He was commended for meritorious service while serving as a member of the staff of the QM Food and Container Institute for the Armed Forces US Army, in Chicago from August 1959 to August 1961.

Joe **Adams** recently received an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Army Commendation Medal while serving with the 1st Region, USA Air Defense Comd Hq at Ft. Totten. The award was for outstanding performance of duties as a guided missile officer in the command's Plans and Operations Section.

OBITUARY

Major George D. **Nelson**, Jr. died of a heart attack at Ft. Leavenworth on 15 September 1961, while attending the Associate

Course at the C&GSC. Eleanor, his wife, and four children (three daughters and one son) were last reported at 315 Magruder, Mineral Wells, Tex. Our deepest sympathies to you, Eleanor, and the children; please keep us informed of your address. George's parents live in Springfield, Vt.

ET CETERA

My address incidentally, is 1110 Thurman Drive, Alexandria, Va.; home phone 765-5641; office phone 697-1353. If you're passing through give me a call with your latest news. Otherwise, send it all to Box 15. Class rosters were mailed in November. Send your complaints, corrections, and requests for rosters if you did not receive one to Box 15. And do not forget your class dues; as I remember it was 10 years ago that any dues were asked for — every 10 years isn't too bad.

PROMOTIONS

By the time this goes to press, congratulations will be in order for those lucky ones on the outstanding part of the present Army LC promotion list. Best wishes to one and all. An Army promotion board is now in session that will consider almost all of the class for promotion to LC. Watch the next column for results. GOOD LUCK!!! Also hope to cover in detail the Army-Navy game doings and the Washington area contingent for you in the next issue.

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Last November I enjoyed the personal elation of political victory. Along with my two running mates we had the good fortune of winning while most of our party here in New Jersey was losing. So, beginning January 1962, I will serve a 3-year term as Councilman in the Borough of Verona. It is a part-time job, which will take a lot of my free time, but I look forward to the challenge.

Good fortune has also come to two of our classmates in the form of additions to their family circles. Maj. and Mrs. Alvin **Ash**, 16 Maas Drive, Ft. Bragg, N.C., are the proud parents of Robert **Wilson** born 26 July 1961. Stan and Diane **Love**, 180 East End Ave., NY 28, N.Y., were made parents when Victoria was born 25 May 61. Stan said that he sees the **Mahonys** and the **Zorns** a lot. The night before last year's Homecoming game they attended a great party given by the **Thayers** at West Point. The **Loves** moved to the above address last May.

Last July the **Yanceys** returned from a nice long tour in Holland. Ken and Dee **Tallman**, who had just returned from a trip to Italy, said farewell to the **Yanceys** in Frankfurt when they flew back. The trip to Idlewild took 8½ hours by Pan-Am jet. In Italy the **Tallmans** saw the **Cal Benedicts**, "**H**" **Lobdells**, and Mrs. **Benedict**. Cal is stationed in Tehran and the **Lobdells** are in England. For those who do not know it Pat **Lobdell** and Cal **Benedict** are brother and sister.

Phyllis and Bill live at 7449 Old Mill Rd., Norfolk, Va. However, they may have moved by the time you read this. Bill has been attending the Armed Forces Staff College, but the tour is up in Jan 62. The **Yanceys** and their three children expect to be at Langley AFB across the bay from Norfolk after the College tour. Lt. Col. Bill and Bette **Evans** (4 children) are there with Bill on the col-

lege staff. Other classmate students at the College with **Yancey** are (number after name denotes children): Fred and Barbara **Alderson** (1); Ben and Carole **Brown**; Hal and Shirley **deMoya** (4); George and Carol **Fink** (3); Charlie and Lo **Hall** (3); Hal and Chris **Hallgren** (2); Paul **Kelley** and Ruth Ann (6); C. and Sue **McMillan** (2); J.O. and Jeanne **Meerbott** (4); George **Patton** whose wife and children are in D.C.; B.P. and Anita **Pendergrass** (2); John **Stannard**; Ken and Virginia **Van Auken** (3). Paul **Kelley** had come to the College from a year in Arabia and Van **Auken** came from a year in Korea.

Richard L. **Stone** has joined the General Mills Electronics Group in Minneapolis, Minn. as instrument and control systems product manager in the Electronic and Mechanical Defense Products Dept. Prior to this, Dick was with the General Electric Co. for more than 4 years. With GE he was manager of sales and contract administration, manager of advanced programs planning in the Defense Systems Dept., and Technical Planning Engineer for the Atlas and Thor nose cone project with the Missile and Space Vehicle Dept. Dick has an MS in Mech. Eng. from the U. of So. California.

Gibb **Sharkoff**, 5910 Lowell Ave., Alexandria, Va., has written to inform the class of the starting by Mrs. Thomas of a V.F. **Thomas** Memorial Library in the Forestville Baptist Church, Forestville, Md. As you may remember, our classmate V.F. **Thomas** died of cancer. I can agree with Gibb that this would appear to be a worthy charity for any of our classmates, or the class as a whole, to contribute money or worthwhile books to the library in Fred's name. The two people to contact in this regard would be the librarian, Mrs. D.R. **Corbin**, 3430 82d Ave., Wash. 28, D.C.; or the church treasurer, Mr. **William Turner**, 5440 Spring St., Wash. 28, D.C.

The following men are attending the regular course at Ft. Leavenworth this year: **Van Baker**, **Harold Terrell**, **Frank Richter**, **Charles Zuppmann**, and **Louis Gutting** (ex-'46). **Terrell** has received a Master's Degree from Georgia Tech. **Richter** is also a 1961 graduate of Tech. **Barbara Richter** is staying at 2420 Michigan St., Grand Rapids, Mich., while **Frank** is at Leavenworth. **Gutting** graduated last year from Roosevelt U., Chicago, Ill.

The following men are attending the associate course at Leavenworth: **Basham**, **Boyd**, **Cramer**, **Jungerheld**, **McMinn**, **Shade**, **Simpson**, and **Wagoner**. **Ben Boyd's** current assignment is with the US Army MAAG, Taiwan. **Tom McMinn** is an Army Chaplain (Capt.) and a member of the Army Chaplain Board at Ft. Meade, Md. **Tom** is a 1953 graduate of Emory U., Atlanta, Ga. **Les Shade** will attend the Army Language School, Monterey, Calif., following graduation; his wife, **Bobbie**, stayed in Atlanta during the 16-week associate course which was completed last December. **John Simpson** is assigned to Eighth Army, Korea.

The following men are on the Staff and Faculty at Leavenworth: **Dick Beckner**, **Stan Blum**, **Bill Cound**, **Pat Crizer**, **Steve Edwards**, **Jim Elder**, **Dick Guenther**, **Ben Hanson**, **Art Jank**, **Al Joy**, **Bob Knapp**, **Andy LaMar**, **Jack Montague**, **John Perkins**, **S.P. Rogers**, **Al Torgerson**, **John Treadwell**, **Guy Troy**, and **Al Victor**. **Perkins**, a member of the Dept. of Combat Developments Branch, was last stationed in Viet Nam. In the Dept. of Armored Operations are **Troy** (**Wynne**, **Pam**,

Kent and Thad), Beckner (Donna), and Knapp (Sue, Robbie and George). Hanson (Toni, Jackie, Ben, Richard) is in Dept. of Infantry Operations. Treadwell (Connie, Bonnie, Debbie) is with Dept. of Command with Blum (Winelda, Justin, Addie, S.D. Jr., Stacy). Edwards (Mary Clare, Chip, Tim, John) is with DNRI and LaMar (Jule, Julie, Andrew, William, Lucy Lee) is in the Airborne Dept.

Since last June Al and Kay Futrell have been in Germany where Al is commander of the 18th Trans Co located in Ober-Schleissheim. Last fall Al participated in Operation SPEARPOINT, a 6-day joint American-British training exercise. His company provided helicopter support for the exercise. Steve and Barbara Gray are in Darmstadt, where Steve is intelligence officer for the Seventh Army's 31st Medical Group. Steve participated in CHECKMATE, a NATO tactical training exercise held last fall.

Lew and Phyllis Tixier are in Hawaii where Lew is a member of the Intelligence Section, Hq USARPAC, Ft. Shafter. Russ Boyd, who was last stationed at Leavenworth, is now commander of the 65th Ord Co, 83d Ord Bn. Korea. Marion is staying at 3008 Hickory St., Alexandria, Va., while Russ is in Korea. Russ graduated in 1950 from the U. of Penn.

O.D. and Kathleen Street are in Viet Nam where he is now a member of the MAAC as an artillery officer. Amos Shattuck completed the 10-week officer rotary wing qualification course at Primary Helicopter School, Camp Wolters, Tex., on 30 Aug 61. Shattuck is also a qualified fixed-wing aviator and a 1951 graduate of the U. of Ill.

Stationed in Washington are Gilham, ACSI (Ann, Connie, Gail); Miller, DCSOPS (Nancy, Roy, Ed); Fuller, DCSPER (Sue, Tip, Page, Steve); Smythe, R&D (Marie, Donna, Douglas); Patton (Joanne, Margaret, George, Robert) after AFSC at Norfolk. Dick is in OAD; Harry is leaving R&D for the Joint UK Staff College in England from May 62 to Nov 62. Now that Dick has made the break in OAD, let's hope he can keep a classmate in there when he leaves.

Members of Armor in Europe are: Art Lochrie (Karma, Jane, Karma, Jimmy) with Ops Div, USAREUR Hq, Heidelberg; Stanfield (Anne, Norman, Jim) in the same place; Bud Martin in SGS, Seventh Army; Burney (Mary, Loren, Dana) with Cav Sqdn of the 4th Armd Div; Strieff (Marion, Ricky, J.D.) is in the 2d Sqdn of the 2d Armd Cav in Nurnberg; Jimmy Day (Peggy, Bruce, Devin, Sanda); Wheeler (Rickie, Carol Ann, Susan).

Phil Rogers took Otte's job with the 1st Cav in Korea; Dodo stayed in Leavenworth and is teaching at the Junior High on the Post. Kit Sinclair (Ginna, Bryan, Chris, Steve) is still at Ft. Rucker on the S&F of the Aviation School. Rumney (Mary, Mason, John, Susan) is at Ft. Bliss. Conant (Joy, Marsha, Susan, Donna) and Wolf are at Sandia Base, Albuquerque. Persons (Christine, Charlotte, Aline, WBP IV) is at White Sands in JA office. Roxbury (Lucy, Mark, Susan, Laura) is on ROTC, Washington & Lee. Wallis returned from Korea to join Landis (Biquet, Anne, Catherine) at Ft. Meade with the 3rd Cav. Jack Matteson (Barbara, Lenise, Jack, Jim, ?) is at Ga. Tech, (Stu Det, Hq Third Army. Minter Wilson (Hope, Mary, Ann, Karen, Minter) is taking a course in journalism at the U. of Wisconsin.

Kibby Horne (Peggy, Jeannette) is with 2d Armd Div, Ft. Hood, Tex. Oscar Traber



Left to right, Front row: Parmly, Wieringa, Saunders, Mathias, Tuck, Nye. Second row: Stapleton, Simmons, Lincoln, Minor, Kinney, Seeber, March. Standing: Wildrick, Day, Bishop, Burnell, Brown, Thayer, Beasley, Ellis, Shultz, Blazey, Walker, Ochs, Gosling, Book. Absent were Jordan, Leavitt, Smith, Dorney, Hobson, and Thurman.

(Peggy, Biff, Robert, Meg, Tim) is a pilot at Ft. Eustis. Harlan Koch (Dottie, Donnie) is head of the FAST School with the Embassy in Taipei, Taiwan. Cassidy is still a bachelor with ACF industries. Russ Burn is in the contracting business at 401 Ethel Drive, Las Cruces. Bob Duncan is in the insurance business at Box 674, Sullivan's Island, S.C. Kelty is now with Winchester (Western Div), Olin Matheson is in New Haven 4, Conn. Jack Kopald (Donna, Mike, Julie, Bob, Tim) have moved to 135 East Cherry Drive, Memphis, where he is Sec-Treas of HUMKO Products, National Dairy Products Corp. Musser (Jan, Alan, Lynn, Glen, Dick) is with Bendix at 20 Kinne Rd., Glastonberry, Conn.

I received a very well written report from Clair Book, Dept of Foreign Languages, West Point, covering the news from up there for the past period. Included with the report was a photo of the Nov class meeting there, published herewith.

WEST POINT NEWS

We were very sorry to hear of the serious illness of Jim Gridley, and our thoughts and prayers are with Jim, Natalie, and family during this very difficult time. Jim is receiving treatment for leukemia at Walter Reed Hospital. Jim and Natalie have recently purchased a new home at 6905 Edgerton Lane, Springfield, Va.

Our class is now represented at the Academy by 33 classmates. Those here are Rex and Connie Beasley, Bill and Jane Bishop, Frank and Joy Blazey, Clair and Clarice Book, Lee and Barbara Brown, Pete and Laine Burnell, Dick and Margaret Day, Jim and Aimee Dorney, Smiley and Pam Ellis, Goose and Colleen Gosling, Jim and Jane Hobson, Joe and Polly Jordan, Dick and Betty Kinney, Al and Boots Leavitt, Bill and Anne Lincoln, Bob and Margarete March, John and Phil Mathias, Max and Anne Minor, Roger and Nan Nye, Ray and Jo Ochs, Lee and Marie Parmly, Ed and Jean Saunders, Bill and Eunie Seeber, Jack and Ginny Shultz, Charlie and Joanne Simmons, Dave and Gloria Smith, Tom and Louise Stapleton, Ray and Pat Thayer, Roy Thurman, Dick Tuck, Sam and Snookie Walker, Jack and Barbara Wieringa, and Dick and Ruth Wildrick. Chuck Gottfried, head line-coach of the football team, is an associate member of the class here at West Point. Eleven classmates are assigned to the Tactical Department, 17 to the Academic Departments, and 5 to administrative positions. With the naming of Ed Saunders to a professorship in the

Dept. of Electricity, we now have two permanent professors at the Academy. Congratulations, Ed.

Along a different line, at the present time the 31 married classmates here are rearing a total of 81 children ranging in age from 2 to 15 years. It doesn't take a mental giant to figure out that it won't be too much longer before a son of 1946 will be entering the Academy.

During the Homecoming Weekend festivities and during various other football games, weekends, etc., the following classmates and wives were able to make it here for a visit: Chris Christensen, Max and Mary Ellen Ulrich, Bob and Claire Crowley, Al and Emily Allen, Tom Agnor, Lippy Ellis, B.B. and Jane Williams, Ed and Jane Drinkwater, Miller and Jane Robinson, Blan Shattuck, George Patton, Marty Feldman, Sam and Sally Title, Marty and Penny Zorn, Stan and Diane Love, Tony and Clair Cuculo, Hal deMoya, Tom Hirschberg, Bernie Conor, Howie Giebel, Sam and Ethel France, Gil and Bonnie Anthony, Ed and Miriam Houseworth, George Adams, Dave Baker, B.B. and Isabel Elmer, Bill Kelty, John and Pat Nance, Betty Richmond, Danny Graham, George and Nancy Miller, Jim and Barbara Johnson, Dan and Jean Mahony, Joe Park, Dave and Joan Brillhart, John and Bertie Stratis, Bob Lowry, John Stannard, Joe and Jane Giza, Ted and Nancy Braun, Jud and Dolores Shulke, J.R. and Tykle Horowitz, Marylyn Blazina, and Stu and Beverly Harper. If someone's name has been omitted, we must apologize and hope that it won't happen again.

During the summer Clair Book escorted a group of USMA cadets to Mexico City on an exchange visit to the Mexican Military Academy. While there he saw George Webb and attended a luncheon with him put on by the Army attaché. George has the task of teaching English to senior ranking Mexican officers attending the Mexican Superior School. He appears to be quite happy in his new assignment.

Dick Tuck was in Paris this past summer and was enjoying the sights of the Champs-Élysées when he ran into Whitey Yeoman who was also relaxing a bit after a busy time of escorting AF Academy cadets to various military installations and points of interest. Needless to say, I'm sure that Whitey benefited from Dick's vast knowledge of the places to see in Paris. Dick was also able to make it to Madrid where he was entertained by Johnny and Betty Price and George

and Lannie Muir. Joe and Jane Giza, who were passing through on their way to the States, also joined the group for an evening of visiting some of Madrid's better night attractions. John and Betty, later in the summer, stopped at West Point to see the Books for a short visit. John is now assigned to the Pentagon and has bought a home in the Washington area.

I know that everyone is aware of, and was saddened by the passing away of Dick Hale. A requiem mass was held for him at Ft. Leavenworth and another at the Catholic Chapel here at West Point. Burial services were held in the West Point Cemetery with a number of classmates attending.

A relatively small group of the West Point contingent (maybe the others were forewarned) went down to New York City for the Oklahoma game. While they were not happy with the outcome of the game, at least they were rewarded for their efforts by a fine class party at the Governors Island Officers' Club. Ned Mewborn, now in the Compt Section of First Army Hq, did a tremendous job in setting up the party, attended by some 50 classmates and guests. Next year we play Pittsburgh in New York City and those of you who can possibly make it ought to try to come. Not only will you see an exciting game, but judging by this year's get-together, or by the party thrown by the Schrams and Horowitzes in '59, or by the party hosted by the Loves, Zorns, and Ellises last year, you can be sure of good refreshments, entertainment, fun, and company after the game. Just check with one of us at West Point and we can let you know the plans.

In addition to the West Point group, others seen at the game or at the party included Hawley, Stratis, Petrone, Dickson, Molchan, Zorn, Musser, Ulrich, Meola, Cucolo, Houseworth, Schulke, Cowey, Bob Crowley, and Nance. Hank and Pat Bolz and Keith and Mary Frances Ball must have been there, too, for they were later spotted celebrating at the Rendezvous Room of the Hotel Plaza. Houseworth and Schulke brought the news up from Ft. Monmouth that Bob Patterson has transferred from Infantry to Signal Corps and is now at Monmouth.

The Thayer Hotel was occupied to capacity for Homecoming Weekend. Ray and Pat and their six children entertained the Robinsons, Drinkwaters, B.B. Williamses, and children. That's quite a job, particularly in a West Point quint, and even necessitated the posting of a room assignment chart and a schedule of calls. The operation went off beautifully according to a neighbor who watched Ray as he unloaded 13 (or was it 15) children from his Volkswagen stationwagon. Ed and Jane Drinkwater are now living in Wayne, Pa. Ed is with Burroughs Corporation and the Drinkwaters themselves operated a Hotel Ben Franklin annex for the Navy Weekend.

I realize that Clair Book mentioned the passing of Dick Hale, but I also received a letter from Pat. She is living at 9 Azalea Drive, Hampton, Va. Dick passed away on 11 Sep 61 at Walter Reed where a funeral mass was held at the Memorial Chapel. The Hale children are Mary Catherine 6, Sharon Lynn 5, Patty Sue 3 and Richard Edward Jr., 6 months. As you may know Dick underwent surgery in Nov 60 for removal of a brain tumor. His death was caused by increased intercranial pressure. His last

assignment was with the G-1, MPM, CONARC, Ft. Monroe. Besides Pat and the children, Dick is survived by his mother, Teresa V. Hale of Wash., D.C., and his brother, Col. Francis J. Hale, USAF, USMA '44, with present assignment in Boston.

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First, welcome to our new wives, Joan Biles and Yvonne Bleiman! Next, congratulations to their lucky husbands.

Lannie Dunham and Bobbie and Al Geraci furnished news from the Leavenworth area: Tom Benson and Art Becker will join the group there in January; Mary and Brent Scowcroft report to USAFA in January; Bob Moore is now with TUSLOG and recently saw Perry Gaaney in San Antonio, Buford Biggs in Washington, Dave O'Dell in Omaha, and Cecil Fox in Holland; Al and Doc Haskin starred in tennis last fall; Joan Biles is directing the Fort Players and Bobbie is starring in productions; Ken Hatch made history at the gate-closing ceremonies at the Pomme de Terre reservoir in Missouri (how many gallons, Ken?); Jean and Don Robb are proud parents of Judith Ellen who arrived on 9 August.

Jim Johnson is on TDY at Ft. Lee and has been entertaining Mary and John Delistraty at their home in Rockville, Md. (I'll get their address right yet) on weekends.

Pete Boerger passed the word that Bill Webb and Bob Short are in Operations Division, and John Hoover is in Signal Division, USAREUR; Don Dexter is in CENTAG; Bill Conger is in Plans and Training, MAAG Viet Nam; Frank Boergers, Schuders, Steinborns, Ron Heisers, and DeGil see each other in Rome; Don Schnepf is in Verona.

Ann Little won the West Point Ladies' Golf Crown last fall.

Recent orders assigned Wally Veaudry to Ft. Bragg; Bill Nairn to USARMIS, Honduras; Mel Leblanc to Monterey (to learn Spanish prior to going to Spain); Bob Koch to Ft. Carson.

Football season brought a number of classmates to West Point: Eggers, Karters, Novomeskys, Katz, Beckelman, McCords, Tullys.

Ted Spiker is reported to be with DASA in Washington and Jim Bushnell at Aberdeen PG. I understand Bob Baer will go to Korea when he finishes at AFSC and Ann will await his return in Highland Falls.

Plans in the mill for June Week include two cocktail/dinner parties and a picnic. If you haven't sent your ideas to Bud Salisbury yet, just wait and bring them with you—we're flexible and are looking forward to seeing you.

A sizeable crowd turned up in Philadelphia for the annual joust with Navy (at least we won on College Bowl): Doc Blanchard (now attending the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB) plans to bring Jody up for June Week; Bob Montague, Bob Beckelman, Hal Grossman, Ann and Meade Wildrick (now in graduate school in Industrial Management) will go to the Pentagon in January; Nancy and Bob McCord (DCSPER); Jackie and Tom Hayes (recently promoted to Sales Manager for Philadelphia Gear Corp.); Betty and Pete Boerger; Lois and Bud Salisbury; Patt and Duke Duquemin; Tom Rogers (Posy has been in

the hospital here for several weeks. She is recovering nicely and hoped to be home before Christmas); Jim Johnson (escorting Jean Bartley—they were chaperoned by Mary and John Delistraty, Hugh and Kay); Doris and Bob Peckham; Mary and Ike Ickler; Bob and Ann Baer; Pat and Al Haig (studying at Georgetown U.—goes to the Pentagon in January); Louise and Hal Richardson (DCS-LOG); Sue and Buford Biggs; Charlie Shields (Andrews AFB); Ted Gregory (lawyer in Texas); Perry Gaaney; Ann and Bill Cooper; Hal Tavzel, Mary Ann and Jim Breedlove (DCSOPS-AF); Pat and Arnold Tucker (DCS Plans and Programs-AF—plan to be here for June Week). Well, that's a lot of names but not much news.

Glenn Davis has been elected to the Football Hall of Fame. Dick Rantz is reputed to be in Washington with ACSI. Mel Rosen is still with AEC. Marcia and Bernie Garner are settled and busy in Caracas.

Colin Jacobsen arrived on 29 September. Proud parents are, of course, Ginny and Jake.

All classmates within commuting distance of Italy are invited to get in touch with Frank Boerger, USA ELM MAAG-Italy, APO 794, N.Y. Frank is planning a 15-year shindig in the Lake Garda-Verona area and says, "You-all come."

'48

Bowen & Wilhide
USMA
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The football season just closed, while not too successful in some respects, did demonstrate the undimmed '48 class spirit. '48-ers assembled here during and after games and at outlying battlefields. Bill and Rachael Thomas came up from Washington; Russ Ball, still a bachelor, made the trip from Philadelphia for the Idaho game and to N.Y. for the Oklahoma game. Russ reports that, among other jobs, his firm is doing some work on the Navy's big radio telescope at Sugar Grove, W. Va. Bob and Jane Taylor were among the '48 rooters at the William & Mary game. The Hugh Perry's also made one game. Paul and Marie Weaver, having moved out of the night club atmosphere of Manhattan into the pastoral setting of suburban Mt. Kisco, N.Y., just across the river here, were regular attendants at the games. Marie will have more news for us any day now. The Phil Days were here for Homecoming from Yale. Ken Pressman came up from New Jersey to offer support at the Oklahoma game. The Bob Cushings flew in twice with General Lemnitzer for games. Nancy and Punk Hartnell made the Idaho game, and sponsored a fine affair at Governors Island for classmates after the Oklahoma game. Punk has left Governors Island for Monterey and Language School to be followed by a visit to Laos. Jess and Ann Kelsey, also resident on Governors Island while attending Russian Institute of Columbia Univ., joined Weavers and Hartnell's as co-sponsors of the Oklahoma game party. Joe Herbets arrived to give us support at the Boston U. game. Lowell Genebach made his annual pilgrimage for duty with the Math Dept. and as supporting member of the '48 cheering section.

After making some hasty studies, it is clear that the Class of '48 is the real power behind the Army and Air Force, maybe even the Nation. The '48 Washington district personnel manager reports that there are 34 class-



1949 Class Party in Barth Hall, Camp Buckner, September 1961.

mates in Washington. One, **Jacobellis**, was the star of an *Army Times* (4 November) report recognizing important civilian members of the Army Team. Other key slots held by '48-ers are in the Officers Assignment Division and ACSI. Twenty-three classmates are in full control at Leavenworth where the new arrivals were welcomed at a glorious party sponsored by Homesteaders **Hoffmans**, **Hoyts**, and **Webbers**. Following details of this operation were furnished in a comprehensive order from that headquarters. Sam and Joan **Holliday** arrived on objective C&GSC with one additional male unit (unidentified). Keith **Boss** arrived from Colorado Springs. Joe and **Bunny Seymoe** closed in from the AF Academy with **Cindy**, **Bubba**, and **Cathy** attached. '48 control of AF resides in **Bill Patch**, **Tom Phillips**, **Jim Sandman**, and **Mac McInerney**. **Bob** and **Mary Evelyn Graf** landed at Leavenworth via amphibious maneuver from Hawaii. **Jim** and **Gen Jones** from Ft. Monmouth to C&GSC to provide Signal support. **Kiernan** column including **Marianne**, **Joe**, **Joe III**, **Thomas**, and **King (collie)** closed from D.C. for interim assignment with Post Engineer Section (Paint Shop).

Jack and **Jean Doody** with three sons concluded 4 years of ROTC duty (now he'll get the other end of the stick). **J.B.** and **Mercedes Hughes** arrived from Turkey with a very green unit (**Dorothy**—3 mos.). **J.B.** reports seeing **Cushing** in Turkey and having taken him to see **Nadjia Gamal** do a belly-dance—from which **Cush** has never recovered. **Bratton** battalion, nominally commanded by **Joe**, including **Louise**, **Joey** (10), **John** (6), **Mary** (5) and **Anne** (3 mos.) arrived from AEC after 2 years of "utilization" which the friendly C&GSC group promptly showed to have been mis-directed. **Jim**, **Patsy**, **Bonnie Beth** (6), and **Christopher** (4) **Blakeslee** from Syracuse U. are making a feint in direction of Leavenworth before hitting objective at Second Army, Ft. Meade, to balance that budget. **Jim Barnett** was temporarily out of action as a result of taking his responsibilities as section athletic officer too seriously, disregarding a lesson he professed to have learned in '51 in *Who's That*—still under the "young man" illusion. **Pickle** and **Jim** left **Casey** and **Willie Burns**, **Novella** and **Ennis Whitehead** in charge of D/A Staff; **Jim Dingeman** helping General Taylor; **Robin** and **Bill Thomas** enjoying a new summer home in Tidewater, Va.; **Bev** and **Jim Hall** with **Jim** promoting sales in D.C. for Nortronics Div. of Northrup Aircraft; **Donna** and **Bill Cook** in Hollywood where **Bill** manages a Pesco Products plant for Borg-Warner; **Joel Aron** still with IBM in D.C.; **Sally** and **Buck Borg** about to leave D.C. for Japan ('48 control of State Dept.); **Bill Mounger** and **Flick Fleming** in Jackson, Miss. Two other reports from **Bud Wagoner** and **Bob Ward** at Leavenworth furnish the following data. **Bob** is assistant editor-in-chief of the Leavenworth class yearbook and has recruited **Joe Bratton** to assist. **Bob** refers to a '47-'48 get-together in K.C. at the beginning of the course in which **Bob** ended up busting eggs on the floor. We'll have to wait to hear from party chairman, **Marian Foote**, for an objective report as to just how **Bob** conducted himself. The **Ward** clan includes four little **Wards**, 2 and 2, the latest 26 months old (not a new arrival, **Bob** assures us). **Richie Cooper** is king of the Leavenworth dramatics club. **Bud Wagoner** reports nothing new since the Ten-Year Book, but we know he and **Lake**

Churchill both picked up Commendation Ribbons for their work in their previous assignments. **Lake**, with **Jimmie** and **Darla** (age 7), arrived at Leavenworth from duty with a Nike Bn and with Seventh Army Hq. **Walt Marciniac** and **Mac McMurray** are both still in that headquarters. **Bill** and **Deena Buckner** have moved from Tulsa back to Kansas City where they have been able to renew acquaintance with classmates at Leavenworth. New additions to the Buckner family, **Peter R.** (2½) and **Robert L.** (1½), bring the total to three. A welcome letter from **Doug Huie**, now in JAGC at Ft. McClellan, notes that he organized the first Founder's Day dinner in the memory of old timers there. A new addition to the Huie family is **Susan Annette**, 24 April 1961. **Doug** also reports that **Don McClelland** is stationed there with the Chemical School. **Al Cerow** confirms the fear of many of us that going to school, which he is doing five nights a week at Temple U. (law), does not hold back gray hairs, raunchy posture, or old age. **Chuck Shook**, reporting still from Rochester, notes that Eastman Kodak hasn't yet fired him, and everything else is the same. Wishful thinking, **Chuck**; don't your business recruits get younger every year? **Carl Schmidt** reports from Baltimore that he is now with the New Amsterdam Casualty Company, a vice president, chief of the fidelity and surety departments. **Carl** commands the 1st Missile Bn. 70th Arty of the Maryland National Guard, which mans the Baltimore-Washington area Nike sites. In his spare time he also serves the West Point Society of Maryland. **Carl** reports seeing **John** and **Connie McEnery** recently at Aberdeen Proving Ground. **McEnery's** are controlling the operations of the Second Army at Ft. Meade with **Walt Plummer** and **Bob Kirwin**. A long letter from **L. Frank Robinson Jr.** (formerly "Lem") brings us up to date on the Robinson family. **Lem** is still with GE but now living in Columbia, S.C. The children now number three (boys); add **Timmy** (Jan 60) to the Ten-Year Book roster. **Lyle Walters** is on a TDY visit to Ethiopia to work with the Ethiopian C&GSC. **Helen** is staying in Cleveland with her family until **Lyle's** return. Their permanent station (after Feb 1962) is Ft. Lewis, Washington.

Late edition: Navy game attendants—**Bud Vreeland**, **Bob Taylor**, **Dave** and **Sarah Mallett**, **Bill** and **Helena Patch**, **Bud** and **Jordy Cushing**, **Al Cerow** (assisting **Cush** with his boss), **Jack** and **Harry Buckley**, **Hank** and **Lucille Stelling** with four kids, **Stu Young**, **Ken Pressman**, **Gene Bierer**, **Jim McCray** and

Fran and **Nancy Schless**, **Ed Kritzer**, **Moe Selig**, and **Jake Pompan**.

Other late changes: **Reuben Anderson** will leave Redstone Arsenal for the Armed Forces Staff College while **Fran Schless** goes from the Staff College to DCSPERS in Washington and **Jack Osteen** goes to 101st Abn and **Bill Patch** to the 82d from the school. Honors for the most exotic assignment go to **John** and **Mary Waggener** who go from Monterey to Lima, Peru.

We are looking forward in the coming weeks to many interesting replies to our circular letter. Help liven our GLOOM period. How about that College Bowl team which **Don Reynolds** helped to coach?

'49

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My request for Air Force news brought good results — three letters. **Chuck Reed** and **John Walter** both wrote from the Air Force Academy where the class is well represented. Here is an excerpt from **Chuck's** letter: Here at the Academy we recently had a class get-together at the Ent AFB Club in Colorado Springs. Those in attendance were: from the Commandant's shop—**Betsy** and **Charlie Byrne**, **Jeanne** and **Bill Lambert**, **Lee McCrary**, and myself; from the Dean of Faculty—**Alliene** and **John Walter**, **Mary Ester** and **John Saxon**, **Barbara** and **Mike Steger**, **Lois** and **Dick Bowman**, and **Phyllis** and **Bob Pursley**. The **Paul Murrays** and **Charlie Olivers** (PE) were unable to attend. The **Jigger Gillettes** from NORAD were there, but the **Punch Jamisons** were not as he was "Skyshielding" up in Alaska. From the Springs came the **Don Brauns** and the **Jack Wogans** motored down from Denver. **John Walter**, who picked up the ball when **Tom Bullock** left here, gets the credit for organizing the function. The next party is to be held at the **Wogans** in Denver on 12 January.

The third letter was from **Mac Agnew** who with his wife, **Marian**, and children, **Leslie**, **George**, and **Alex**, live in Cleveland. He is at Case Institute working toward a degree in Operations Research. He and his family trailered from George AFB to Cleveland via the National Parks and recommend that method as the best for seeing the country. **Mac** visited the Air Force Academy and also Offutt AFB where he saw **Joe Tye** and family.

In September **Mo Mathews** wrote from Leavenworth that **Barb's** leg was just about

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back to normal after a bad break while skiing last winter. He also enclosed the following list of students at the school: Ted Boland, Jack Carr, Frank Clarke, Jim Coghlan, John Costa, Jack Cox, Dick Craig, Bart Day, Bill Goodwin, Bernie Greenbaum, Chuck Heiden, Bill Hiestand, Bill Hoffman, Bill Huber, Ross Johnson, Don Keith, Chuck Lee, Bob Liichow, Mo Mathews, Ken McIntyre, Joe Muckerman, Bobby Nulsen, Larry Ogdan, Bruce Peters, Bill Rank, Ben Sheets, Keith Sickafoose, Tom Stockton, Bud Strohecker, Lee Surut, Jack Thomas, Bert Turner, and Dan Williamson.

Supporting the fact that old age is not really treating our class too badly here are a few additions. Marie and Bill Kennedy who are in Formosa have a new son, Brian Joseph, born 28 September. Claire and I thought that we were quite tricky having Marianne on 12 October after three boys who are now 6, 7, and 9. However, our feat was nothing compared to what Ed and Eunice Yellman did on 14 September. They have two boys, Edward Jr. and James, and were hoping for a girl. They got their girl, Donna Marie, but along with her in the same lot arrived Gregory Scott and Michael Lewis. May it be said, "well done."

Ed and Sudell Cave were up from New York for the big promotion party given by the locals in October. Ed is assigned to the Medical Holding Detachment at First Army and has been undergoing treatment for some time. Despite some adverse reports, he still hopes that he will not be retired for physical disability. Their oldest son has been in Kentucky this year living with Sudell's parents and attending school there.

Reed Wakefield was here for the Homecoming game. He is presently stationed in Alaska with the Air Defense Command. His family is not with him but is living in Texas while he is north. The Navy game saw a good turn-out of classmates although the game was unsatisfactory. Ben Suttle compiled the following list which should be complete: Carver Wood, Ken Miller, Bob Schwarz, George Hoffmaster, Jim Steel, Harvey Heckman, Bill Bumpus, A.G. Brown, John Hawn, Jim Scholtz, Freddy Birch, TD Willcox, Al English, Ab Greenleaf, Dick Henry, Dick Rosenblatt, Tiger Howell, Harry Maihafer, Bill Marfuggi, Joe Pigitore, Chuck Reed, Bill Stemple, and Jack Rust.

I received photographs of many of you being promoted; however, the shots I need for this column are group shots from parties or similar get-togethers. Many thanks for information that came for this issue. Please keep it coming.

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Last issue went in just as academics and football were getting ready to start here and other places. Now that at least the football portion is over we might recap some of the associated activities.

The annual class spaghetti dinner party followed the first game here. This year it was held at the new Golf Club House and was sponsored by the Tom Fifes, Al Griebings, Jack Hursts, Jim Kellys, Burke Lees, Ray Maladowitz, Bruce Petrees, Bill Reed, Sam Stapletons, Jim Tormeys. and one of our associates here, the Jerry Teagues. It served

as a real good kick-off for the social activities of the year with about 140 participating. In addition to those assigned here in attendance, we noted Bob Luckese, still a bachelor and up from Long Island to visit Bob and Audrey Shade, Sam and Tillie Smithers up from Ft. Bragg to visit Chuck and Fae Watters, and Bill and Elaine Ward up from Suffern, N.Y.

The entire home season was blessed with fine weather and a good number of the class managed to find their way back for one or more of the games. John and Rosemary DeGrazia, Jack and Shirley Matthews, and Bob Peltz, I believe, made it up for all the games. Others spotted one or more times were Phil and Helene Barger, Jim and Bobbie Barnes, Jack and Beverly Baughan, Hersch and Evelyn Chapman, Rudy Cosentino, Tommy Hughes, Hank Libert, Jim Lynch, Dave Mernan, Jack and Pat Murphy, Bill and Sue Pogue, Hank and Carol Spielman, Irv Steinberg, Ralph and Joy Viskochil, Jerry Waldor, and Pat and Elaine Wilson. Jim Lynch had just returned from a trip to Europe with the Chief of Engineers when he came up and mentioned seeing Tom Barry and Chuck Osterdorf in Frankfort, Art Blair in Italy, and Mal Johnson and Lou Genuario in France. He said he had run into more, but at the moment these were all he could remember.

Got a nice long letter from our old "pen pal" Lou Genuario. Lou has moved from a company commander to S-3 of the 97th Engr Bn in Verdun, France. The letter was long, but unfortunately most of it concerned an unprintable report on a personnel problem he ran into in his company. This one would even stump the MP&L-ers. Anyway, Lou did mention having run into Toady and Kitty Dreisonstok who had just arrived in Orleans. Also in Orleans, he ran into Joe Love, G-1 Section COMZ, and Jim Donovan, Area Engineer for the Orleans-Paris area. In Chinon he saw Abe Allan but said he believes Abe is stationed in Orleans also. Last summer Lou's folks spent about 5 weeks with them and during the visit the whole family went on vacation to Garmish. Four adults and six children in his Peugeot station wagon! You should have taken a picture and sold it to them for advertising, Lou. Thanks for the letter and best regards to Rose and the kids.

I visited the Coliseum in NYC for a few sessions of the American Rocket Society's Space Flight Report Exposition in early October. While there I ran into Bob Ehrlich and Frank Borman. Bob is out of service and living in Paramus, N.J., and Frank is still at Edwards AFB training future astronauts. Frank reported Charlie Kuyk and George Patterson are still there with him happily working in the pleasant California climate. I also ran into Walt Flint, Class '50 AF file from USNA, who mentioned being with Ed Boyle and Art Porcher down at the Cape. He said both are doing real well. Dick Drury also went down for a few sessions and reported running into Seymour Fishbein who was up with one of the displayers at the exposition.

Received a nice letter from Bill Waddell with the party picture. Bill and Mary had the members of '50 in the area over in August and took the picture. Apparently the party was successful with no battle casualties and another encounter was planned for 4 November. Hope it came off, Bill, and also with no casualties. Bill also reported that Stu and Pat Wood stopped in a week or so before the party en route from Alaska to Ft. Bragg.

Good to hear from you in Sunny California, Bill.

Got a nice note from Jim Trayers in the fall with a lot of statistical type poop in the form of lists of classmates who are deceased, retired, resigned, etc. Jim is presently with the Staff and Faculty at Ft. Leavenworth. Thanks very much, Jim; it has already proved valuable in checking status.

Sam Nicholson writes from the U. of Texas that 1316-A Brackenridge Apts., Austin, is still open to any classmate passing through. Proud to report Sam just won a Kellogg Fellowship to study for his doctorate in "Education Administration of the Junior College." Congratulations, Sam, but watch this over-studying.

Saw in a recent news release where Phil Bardos has joined General Precision's Librascope Division as director of market planning. Phil has his Master's in EE from Penn State and is currently studying management engineering at USC. Phil and Sandy are now living in Granada Hills, Calif.

Back in September the *Army Times* had a nice article on the Kansas Army National Guard OCS at Topeka. For those who missed it, the commandant is an ex-classmate, Marion Manion. Sure was good to hear of you, Marion. In fact, from the picture in the *Times* you look the same as cadet days.

Received a number of news releases from the Association of Graduates on class members this time. Below are some of the more pertinent.

Dick Stewart's company in the 503d Inf Combat Team, 2d Abn Battle Group, recently won the Robert F. Sink Trophy in Sukiron, Okinawa. The trophy is awarded to the company which attains the highest qualification scores on the 81-mm mortar, 106-mm recoilless rifle, BAR, light machine gun and 3.5-inch rocket launcher. Good poop, Dick.

Bill Fitts and Bob Grow recently completed Helicopter School to go with their fixed wing qualifications. It's sure good to know we have a number of classmates in the growing Army Air.

Larry Birk and Bill Gearan are presently abiding in Korea with assignments in the intelligence section of the 1st Cav Div and as the commander of the 7th Inf Div's 7th Avn Co respectively.

Russ and Priscilla Glenn, back from Hawaii, are now at Plattsburg AFB, N.Y. Russ is Supervisory Construction Engineer for an Atlas F ICBM base project there. Russ, you can get in snow skiing instead of water skiing this winter.

Bill Ward was recently appointed Assistant to the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of General Aniline and Film Corp. Real good, Bill.

Bill DeGraf and Gail Wilson, both at C&GSC now, received Army Commendation Medals for meritorious service at their previous assignments. Bill was in the Training and Operations section of Seventh Army and Gail was with the ROTC at the U. of Wisconsin. Congratulations to both are certainly in order.

Got a call from the Burke Lees that Lou Leiser and Pat McGill stopped by recently. They indicated they were both leaving the AF Academy this summer with destinations not known yet. Burke also indicated that Henry Sachers is now with the ROTC at VPI.

Heard Will Hill and Theda Tankersley are still in Montgomery. Will Hill is busy

handling securities and bonds and participating in miscellaneous civic activities. Also heard that Andy and Bunty McFarland are going to Auburn for Andy to finish up his Master's in history. They are presently at Ft. Benning.

I am pleased to report that Terry Parsons is finally out of the hospital and is now at the Ordnance Section of CONARC. Along with his assignment, Terry reports that Vern Quarstein is in the G-4 Section and Sandy Oliver in the Engineer Section there. His next door neighbor on the seawall is Tex Ritter who is the Compt of Ft. Monroe. Good to hear from you, Terry, and to know you're back with the family.

Bob Wilson shot me a note just prior to the deadline which speaks for itself: "Dave Pettit called me the other night. He is back in Washington at the River House, and was having a large party. He insisted I talk to Ralph and Joy Viskochil, Hersch and Evelyn Chapman, Dean and Deoma Schnoor and Lou and Muriel Wagner. Sandy Sanderson was audible in the background, though I didn't talk to him. All of the above except Schnoor are in Washington. Dean is at VPI, not VMI, as reported in last ASSEMBLY. Dave said he was going to try to direct-distance Rene and Charlotte Wolf, in Tokyo, next. I hope Dave's phone bill arrives when he is at a similar party. Come to think of it, I haven't seen mine yet."

Good poop, Bob. Sorry to have gotten your location incorrect, Dean.

The Association gave us a reprieve on the article this time until 6 December so we could have the results of A-N activities. Without commenting on the game itself, it is noteworthy that the team got a good bit of support from '50 on the site. In addition to the local troops who made the contest, loud cheers were heard to emanate from Bob Basil (now with Hughes at Culver City, Calif.), Jack and Beverly Baughan (with Curtiss-Wright in Princeton, N.J.), Hersch Chapman, Vic Cuneo, Norris Harrell (with Sandia Corp. in Albuquerque), Stud and Joan Heit, Ward Hemenway, Bill Henn, Mal Johnsrud, Joe and Joan McCrane, Pete (Winky) Mallett, Dave Meredith, Jerry and Mary Monson (going to Carswell AFB to B-18's), Jack and Pat Murphy, Jack and Nancy Pigman, George Rees (with Westinghouse in Philadelphia), Winfield Scott, Hank and Carol

Spielman, John Streit (now at Eglin AFB), Marshall and Marion Talbott (at the Pentagon), Kelly and Betty Jane Veley (with Martin in Baltimore), Jerry Waldor (up from Cape Canaveral), Bud White (down from Fair Haven, N.J.), Bob Whiting, Frank Watson, Deck Weight (up from Cape Canaveral), and Ward Hemenway. After the contest the people split, with some heading home, some to small gatherings, and some congregating at the QM Club and Cherry Hill Inn to relive old experiences and refight old battles. The report from the QM Club indicated that the group managed to get together by about 1730 and by 2030 it was really bouncing. I can certainly believe it since Dick Drury brought me a list of who and what on a paper towel from the men's room. Incidentally, the ones from here making the trip down included Bert and Pat Aton, Dick and Bonnie Drury, Dick and Roxane Ewan, Frank and Dede King, Ray and Gladys Maladowitz, John and Rickey McCormick, Wally and Jane Nutting, Clyde and Marilyn Spence, Sam and Ruth Stapleton, Ernie and Opal Thomas, Jim and Ann Tormey, Dick Trefry, Volney and Janice Warner, and Chuck and Fae Watters.

A large group of the class here who didn't make the trip congregated at the WPAM to observe the contest. Les Holcomb reserved a room and brought his TV for the assembled supporters. Must commend the room selection since it was adjacent to the Bar. The Bashores, Boylans, Coyles, Ferns, Greers, Holcombs, Joys, Petrees, Reads, Shemwells, Tilsons, and Bob Wilsons gave the club some pretty good business.

The gang out at Leavenworth had a big party after the A-N game at the Cody Hotel. Leo Romaneski sent me a copy of the flyer, but time prevented an after-action report. From all indications I'd bet it was a ripper. The big question in my mind on it, Leo, was how many ex-Army lettermen in football uniform (no cleats) took advantage of the cheap drinks until 8 o'clock?

In the new additions department I heard that Marcia and Ed Crockett had a little girl, the Vin Hirschs a little girl, Margaret Gates, and Great Day! more girls: Diane Marie to Nicole and Jack Maxwell, Amy Martha to Sam and Priscilla Nicholson, and Anne Mary to Sally and George Tilson. Where are the boys? We like to keep this thing pretty well evened off for future use.

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Joe Rogers
2d Aviation Det
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From the frontier town of Leavenworth, Kansas, Clint Granger smoke signals that the Indians are no problem. The big problem is trying to stay off of the D list. Our spokesman for the Frontiersmen (New?) lists the following new settlers: Francis W. Craig, still single but the interest is Pat Crow; Barney and Betsy DeRamus, who have had to part with their sports car to accommodate a future arrival; Hank and Mary Evans; Tom and Mary Foster trying to study above the noise of four boys in the house; Clint and Liz Granger ditto with four girls. How does he study? Answer: He doesn't. He expects to be turned back. Lou and Ann Michael are also roughing it after the grand tour with stops at Berlin and Paris. (Wow.) Others at Fort Leavenworth are: Bill and Lydia Lemnitzer, the Guy Jesters, Charlie and Joan Crowe, the Jim McDonalds, John and Jane Norvell, Walt and Nancy Russell, the George Ortsons, Bob and Mary Carolyn Snyder, Rollie and Gerry Tausch who were expecting number four Thanksgiving and were re-computing the seating capacity of a Volkswagen, Gil and Phyllis Stephenson, Bill and Mitzie Thomas, Ray and Mary Toole, and the Chuck Walens. Joe Smith is on the school staff with the Department of Nonresident Instruction. George Hardesty is in the Office of the Secretary, CGSC. The Leavenworth chapter of Black "51" held a rousing class party at the Hunt Lodge Friday, 27 October, which I understand was well attended and very wet. Next time how about a photo?

Captain Miguel A. Mallea Gil, who was recalled to Argentina after yearling year, visited Leavenworth recently with the Argentine equivalent of CGSC. (Their course is 8 years.) While at Leavenworth he and Clint celebrated the arrival of his (Mike's) fourth offspring. His address is: Santa Fe 1924, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Also visiting at Leavenworth recently were Paula and Arlie Sherman. The big "A" is a prosperous Chevy dealer in southern Minnesota. I would pass on the name and address of the agency, but I haven't received my payola yet.

Darcy and Ted Charney wrote from Tokyo while en route to a 2-year MAAG assignment at Taiwan with the G-3 section. Darcy enclosed a clipping from the magazine, *This Week in Tokyo*, which mentioned that George (Spoony Cadet) Shibata was visiting Tokyo after 3 weeks in Thailand for filming of the "Ugly American."

Hank Otten writes from Ft. Belvoir that Karl Peltz has recently reported into GIMR-ADA (Geodesy, Intelligence, Mapping Research and Development Agency). Karl arrived w/wife and four girls.

Homecoming festivities after the Boston U. game were at Charlie's Hill Top, and later at the Alumni dance at Washington Hall. Some of the old grads who made the trip to West Point were Frank Penny who flies for Continental Airlines on the Coast; the Art Scalises, ROTC at Fordham; Walt and Ann Steidl, just out of the Army and living in the N.Y. area; Pete Foss on ROTC duty at Lasalle Academy in the N.Y. area; Bob and Ruth McIlwain, medically retired and living in Monroe, N.Y. Bob is with Johnson & Johnson or Bauer & Black. Bob was the life of the party, and we sure enjoyed seeing him again.

1950 PARTY AT WADDELL'S IN TORRANCE, CALIF.



Left to right: Don and Mary Creuziger, Grady and Bess Banister, Bob and Gwyn Groseclose, Jim and Bobbie Wallace, Bill and Mary Waddell, Jack and Margaret Irwin, Ward and Barbara Hemenway, Archie and Naomi Wood.

Jack Stahl was up for the Detroit game. He is with G-2, First Army, Ft. Jay, N.Y. Charles Satuloff who heads Cane Technical Sales, Inc. of New Rochelle, N.Y., was here for the William & Mary game. Smiling Jack Martin who has just been assigned to the Army Map Service in Washington was at Yankee Stadium for the Oklahoma game. Don Peifer, attending the signal advanced course at Monmouth, was at the Penn State game.

The Joe Clemmons, en route to an attaché assignment in Romania, were in attendance at the Army-Navy game, along with Elmer Pendleton, Howie Williams (all the way from California), Pete Mathews, Bob and Ruth McIlwain, and Jack and Evelyn Martin.

Reb and Claudette Barber have orders to Moscow with a year in Washington en route. This may be the Administration's secret weapon in the cold war. No one can out-talk Claudette, even Mr. K. Reb was excited until he learned that they have only one golf course in the Soviet Union. (And no one seems to know where it is.)

Bruce and Marguerite Bailey in Wurzburg, Deutschland, where he is adjutant of the 69th Arty Gp. Rodney Gilbertson is with Hq IX Corps, Okinawa. Bullet Bill Depew and John Derrick helping to run the 39 Arty at Bamberg, Germany. Congrats to Rocky Milburn, Hank Evans, and Charlie Crowe who have been awarded the Commendation Medal recently.

The class at West Point had a party at Round Pond the weekend of the Penn State game which was well attended—fine time was had by all. A Christmas formal dinner was scheduled for 16 December as this issue of ASSEMBLY went to press. Walt Johnson and Bill Vandenberg were "Engineering" the party so the outlook was for a very "smart" affair.

Lee and Kay Duke caused some excitement at West Point recently; their quarters burned. Lee and Kay seem to have weathered the adversity without affecting their enthusiasm for supporting the Army football team. The Dukes are second only to the Corps in vocal support.

Pete Thorsen and Reb Barber provided the coaching genius for the victorious Engineer Football Team this year. As head coach, Pete has successfully coached the Goats '59, and Engineers '60 and '61. He is 3-0 and ranks among the all-time West Point football coaching greats. There have been rumors that Pete might resign and accept the head coaching job at a "major" college, but Nancy Thorsen says that the rumor is unfounded.

The new edition of the *Golden Treasury of Knowledge* lists among the authors, Betty and Bill Grugin. Hats off to this talented pair. Bill is with Earth, Space and Graphic Sciences at USMA. We used to call it Squint, Print and Don't Fall Off of the Stool.

Joe Knittle writes from the land of sun and sand that the Ft. Bliss troops planned to gather during the holidays. In response to a request for a photo, Joe plans to promote a best-legs competition among the wives. The Great Promoter was having some difficulty in selling the idea to the wives. Be sure to read the next issue of ASSEMBLY for full details.

John Haumersen thanks you for your response in supporting publication of the 10th reunion book. It will be published, and if any of you can solicit or provide money for advertising space in the book write to John.

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From left: Lynne and Tom Courant, Carol and Dave Ahearn, Virginia and Homer Kiefer, Della and Jerry Gibbs, Joanne and John Mauer, Doris and Dave Eachus, Dorothy and Jim Day, Loretta and John Sullivan, Jackie and Mike Juvenal, Gloria and Bob Russell, Peggy and Robby Robinson.

He says that we can still use the money. John is with the Dept. of Ordnance, USMA.

Would sure appreciate some help in gathering news for this column. The more news, the more interesting it is for all of us.

That's it from the old sportscaster, and remember to WRITE, WRITE, WRITE for dear old '51.

'52

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By the time you read this, gloom-period will have come and gone. Here "on campus," gloom-period started a bit early and seems likely to extend until the yearly pilgrimage to Philadelphia gives the Rabble a chance at redemption in '62.

For reasons to be noted later, I didn't get to The Game this year, but I volunteered Ralph Cline as traveling assistant to the corresponding secretary and he came back with a notebook full of notes on the classmates he saw. If, perchance, YOU were there—and your name doesn't appear here—please don't blame Ralph. After all, the primary purpose in going to the game was to see the game, not the spectators. Ralph's method was to pass his notebook around so that people could jot down pertinent bits of information. Apparently it took some time for the notebook to make its rounds, for you can read the progress of the game perfectly. Let's simply say that some of the comments are priceless and that a printable example, found under John Cannon's name, is, "Phooey, Navy just scored." John, presently with the Math Dept. at USMA, had his wife Jane and his children, Susan and David, in tow. Tom Ashton, living in Larchmont, N.Y., also had a large following—three children; was your wife there, Tom? Jack Hettinger, studying English at the U. of Pa., and Herb Schandler en route to Special Forces duty in Germany, were at the game. From their notes I gather that one or both of them were at Terry Allen's wedding on 2 Oct 61. Terry's wife is the former Miss Jean Ponder of El Paso, Tex. Row and Peg Obach are at Ft. Monmouth and extend a blanket invitation to drop by (23 Vaughn Ct., Eatontown, N.J.). Ralph Garver, just returned from Korea, is with the US Reactor Group. He and Charlotte are both happy with Ft. Belvoir duty. Tod Hansard, Dexter Smith, Warren O'Sullivan,

and Bill Horn just signed their names—but at least the class now knows they're still alive and kicking. B.II Raiford and his father came up from Georgia to see the game. Gordon and Sue Hahn are now living in Clifton, N.J.—"just 50 minutes from Grant Hall." Joe Austin, on duty at NYU, says he hasn't missed an Army football game this fall. Joe is participating in civilian schooling, if my memory of hearsay serves me properly. John Garver (SGS, XVIII Abn Corps) saw Bruce Pickering at Bragg on one of Pick's numerous business trips in the area. John reports further, that Jim Campbell left Bragg in November headed for duty in the "Far East" with a helicopter outfit and that Otis Moran is at MacDill AFB as aide to General Adams; also, George and Mary Grayeb are at Georgetown U. To round out the "I saw them at The Game" news, Sam Wetzel had a few minutes to talk with Jack and Bonnie Kleberg and also with John Aker at the Army-Michigan game. Jack is employed by General Motors and John is on duty at Detroit Arsenal.

Three new members of the younger set this time. Gene and Connie Flanagan, a boy, born on 19 June. William Edward Flanagan came to my attention too late to make the fall issue, but the fact doesn't dim his welcome. Incidentally, Gene, your five boys must make your one little girl a trifle lonesome—or are you concerned only with extending the Long Gray Line? Denny and Kate Mullane are proud of their new arrival, Denise Kathryn Mullane, born 28 October. And Win and Dottie Holt, as I mentioned earlier, had a good reason for not getting to the Navy Game. She is Louise Cooper Holt, born on 3 November, making the third girl to one lonesome boy. Want to arrange a swap on "pick of the litter," Gene?

Presuming that most of you read the various Service journals reporting orders, I won't list the many classmates who are at C&GSC either long or short course. It is a pleasure to note how many people are going from the class, and how many are receiving the Commendation ribbon for duties preceeding the school assignment.

Congratulations are in order for Major Chuck Youree. Chuck is on duty with SAC at Fort Worth and has received a spot promotion; he modestly says this could be withdrawn at any moment, but remembering Chuck, I'll bet it becomes a permanent promotion. Chuck reports hearing occasionally

from Dick Weyrich, who is a broker in San Jose, Calif.

My blessings to Jerry Gibbs, who sent in the picture of a class party at Ft. Sill on 22 Sep. You, too, can be blessed. Simply address letters with information about yourselves and or other classmates to me at the Dept. of English, USMA.

'53

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Gloom period came a little early this year in spite of '53's effort to cheer them on to bigger and better things.

Reports from around the world: Jim Dritt is presently assigned to the Dyna-Soar Engineering Office, Bioastronautics Division in the Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright Field. If you want to write him, it is recommended that you use PO Box 7914, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio—much simpler. Jim ran across Lou Andrews at Tyndall AFB and Lou pooped him up on the doings at the USAFA. Don Grubbs with family is also at Wright-Patterson. Don and Jim received their Master's from Oklahoma State U. in Mechanical Engineering and Industrial Engineering respectively. Chuck Doryland is at Wright-Pat in Bomber Test Operations. In AFIT is Hal Wheeler who is on his second year in Astronautics.

During September, Bill Hosmer of the Thunderbird Team dropped into North Kingston, R.I., via parachute with no injuries. His home base is Tyndall AFB but he manages to get in a lot of flight time. John and Pat Glenn are enjoying civilian life at 215-1 Nimitz Drive, West Lafayette, Ind., while John is getting his PhD in Mathematics at Purdue.

Gertrude Glauner is in Portland, Ore., while Fred is on duty in Thailand. In addition to their latest arrival, they have Fred Jr., Nancy, and Joanna to keep Gertrude busy. Fred heard Scotty Crerar on Radio Thailand speaking the native tongue. Charlie and Patsy Neal stopped by to see Gertrude for a brief visit. Charlie has one more year to do at Santa Clara. From usually reliable sources, we hear that Jack and Min Neuberger are helping to defend Free China on the isle of Taiwan.

Bill Bauman recently received the Army Commendation Medal for his flying ability while assisting an Engineer construction crew. Dick Tchou has been assigned to the Seventh Logistical Comd in Korea. Rick Vander Meer now spends his time with the 1st Cav Div. Mike Kallman is assigned as the company commander of an Engineer company in Germany. Bill Sutton is now at Ft. Lewis since his return from Viet Nam. Sandy Meloy, Paul Tomlingson, Ed Reed, and Bob Laflam are leading our fighting forces in Korea. In the San Francisco area working for a patent lawyer and going to night school is Jim Loedding. Jim should have his degree by spring.

We had a good attendance for the Homecoming Weekend—the game, the Saturday Night Dinner Dance at Washington Hall, and a picnic at Round Pond which was organized by Neal Creighton. I have questioned many people who said they were there but to date I have been unable to get many facts from them. They are all unanimous in saying that it was a great weekend. A few of the non-residents in attendance were Sarkis Semerjian

Ross Kenzie, Don Schmidt, Al Paulekas, and others.

At one of our home games, Weemo Wub-bena escorted his mother-in-law, Mrs. Emma Schroer. Chuck Ramsgate who is on the West Coast sent his parents to one of the games. George Williams showed up with two canes. He is still recovering from his auto accident. Jim Dade got away from SAC long enough to put in an appearance. Rick Gil-martin has been able to get up from Long Island with and without his wife. Art and Laura Arduna cheered the Rabble on from high up in Miche Stadium. Art, recently returned from Korea, is getting a degree in preparation to coming here. Dick Hoyt, Jim Hogg, Tom Jones, and Rollo Sullivan have all revisited the Academy during the football season.

From the Oklahoma game: Al Hayes, who is stationed at March AFB, reports that C.M. "Bud" Borrell is back in AF Blue since his squadron has been recalled to active duty. Also, he mentioned that he had seen Bob Hess in the Los Angeles area. Adding dignity to the affair was Frank Doyle (Civ), Gerald Dresner (Civ), Jack Johnson (Civ), and Buck Kotowski (Civ). Al Lindholm talked with Dick Hoyt, Jim Currie, and Dave Motvcka and their respective wives during the lull in activity.

From the Penn State game: Hank Davisson and John Smythe had a tremendous time before, during, and after the game. Dave Rice came over for a visit during the half.

From the Navy game: Mike Cousland (U. of Penn.) and Don Schmidt (GE) were leading the welcomers from their vantage point on the aisle in the stadium. Also representing GE were Bob and Kathleen Porter. Penn State was represented by Jim Pigg, ROTC at Gettysburg and Dave Rice, ROTC at Ogontz. Walt Schmidt, Bob Boxell, and Bill Hilley journeyed up from Aberdeen to lend their vocal support to the Rabble effort. Jim Hogg and Bob Albert trooped over from New Jersey. Jim is doing a lot of traveling so be prepared for him. Dick Boyle is our DOD representative with Weapons Systems. Craig Coverdale is in the FAST (Turkey) program at Princeton. Art Shaw, Tom Hoffman, Al Paulekas, Sarkis Semerjian, Bill Renner, RR Sullivan, HE Bauer, John Hazelbeck, and Bob Mangles blended their cheers with a contingent from USMA which included Bill Bauman, Harry Halterman, Weemo Wubbena, Bill Bell, Ed Davis, Gray Kinnie, Tom Williams, Dick Fischer, John Smythe, Neal Creighton, and Ed Andrews. Author's comment—the wives looked very nice.

BABY CORNER

To the Ken Sweeneys—Brendan Francis, Sep 61, Columbus, Ga.

To Max and Priscilla Noah—Dabney Troy, Oct 61, West Point.

To Weemo and Marie Wubbena—Jon Kirwin, Oct 61, West Point.

To Fred and Gertrude Glauner—Linda Marie, Oct 61, Portland, Ore.

To Glen and Barbara Otis—Peter Garth, Nov 61, West Point.

To Ed and Marilyn O'Hair—John Richard, Nov 61, West Point.

To Stan and Pat Touchstone—Jonathan William, Nov 61, West Point.

The class recently purchased a permanent notebook which will be used to keep articles, obituaries, and other items worthy of record. If you have any preference in how we refer to you in the columns, please set the record straight. I received only four letters during

this past quarter: two were from wives, one was from a classmate, and one was misdirected from the Class of '52. Get hot...

Jack Hayes and Dave Horner have been working very hard on the 10-Year Book and they need some help. Return your questionnaires and supply them with the address of the following: Charles J. Tighe, Dink Whalen, Jim Harris, John C. Hall, John Toman, Tom Canham, Dave Lodwick, Edward C. Metzcher, Art Spooner, Frank Drew, O. Kirk Ehlers, Carlos Ravelo, R.C. Rohlman, Jack Yale, Edward L. Rhodes, Walt Henderson, Jim Loedding, Bob Fernandez, Frank Kincaid, Thomas O. Pickett, James E. Jones, Bob Joyce, Donald L. Meyer, Stan Sovern, William E. Walker, and Jack D. Wilson. Much appreciated.

'54

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This issue's stack of birth announcements brings some welcome news about the parents as well. And we have:

- Anne Randolph, born 6 October to Bob and Liz Morris. Bob is assistant professor of military science at Florida State U. They're living at 1904 Holly St., Tallahassee, Fla.

- Pamela Weston, on 26 September, to Skip and Anne Combs. She's Number 4 for the Combs family—two of each. Anne reported the news from West Point; she was preparing to join Skip at Ft. Knox, where he is in the career course.

- Karen Jean, on 28 October, to Art and Vicki Lykke. Art is at West Point, teaching in the Department of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences (MT&G in our day).

- David Franklin, on 20 October, to Larry and Nancy Skibbie. At the time they were at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., but expecting to depart on 23 December (for where, we don't know).

- Martha Annette, on 2 October, to Ed and Rebecca McNair. Ed is the utilities supervisor for Monsanto's Everett, Mass., plant, and also the president of the Reading Junior Chamber of Commerce. They're residing at 233 Haverhill St., Reading, Mass.

- David Bruce, on 1 November, to Bob and Terry Garwood. They're living at 12602 Martha Ann Drive, Los Alamitos, Calif., and Bob is with the Air Force's missile brain trust in Los Angeles (pardon the informality!).

- Edward Prime, on 23 September, to Bill and Sissy Haskell. They're living at Garrison, N.Y., and Bill is spending almost half his daylight hours commuting to his seat on the New York Stock Exchange.

The Army PIO sends news that Snyder completed the Transportation Officer familiarization course at Ft. Eustis; Bob and Joan Tawes are with the XI Corps' Reserve Officer Training Corps Instructor Group at the Missouri School of Mines & Metallurgy, Rolla, Mo.; Joe and Dolores Gerda are with the Army Finance School, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., where Joe is an instructor in the school's department of military training.

Bob Badger sends news from Ft. Sill. where about 15 of the class are now. In the career course—6 months at Sill, followed by 3 months at Ft. Bliss beginning in January—are Roger Browne, Bruce Bidwell, Dick Griffin, Ernie Marvin, Chuck Stodter, Don Rhea, and Bob Badger in Class 1; Wendell Gilbert, Jim Johnson, Pete Jones, and Vic Hugo in Class 2. Also on Post are Bob McPherson

with the Department of Communications and Electronics, Jim Chapman as assistant S-3, 1st GM Brig, and Howard Hunter on TDY for a Field Artillery familiarization course before heading for Korea. Bob adds that the Badgers have three children—Martha (5), Robert Jr. (2), James (8 mos.).

Bill and Marge Acers, and two children, moved from St. Louis to Chicago about a year ago, and are living at 590 Blue Bell Ct., Lisle, Ill. Bill is still with Westinghouse Electric Corp., and his work carries him throughout the Southwest quite extensively. In his travels, Bill saw Don and Carol Old at Texas A&M last spring, and Jim and Lea Brodt, of the Detroit Arsenal, at the Army-Michigan game.

After some 6 years in a fighter squadron at Castle AFB, Calif., Allen and Doris Hamblin are now at the U. of Colorado in Boulder (address: 395 28th St.). Al is getting his Master's in industrial management and will be there until next August. Also there is Ken Bell, on a 2-year course for a graduate degree in electrical engineering. Doris adds



1954 Class Party at Fort Sill. Front row, left to right: Jim Chapman, Pete Jones, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Bidwell. Center row: Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Stadter, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Badger, Howard Hunter, Mrs. Browne, Roger Browne. Back row: Jim Johnson, Chuck Stadter, Wendell Gilbert, Ernie Marvin, Bob McPherson, Bruce Bidwell. Photographer: Bob Badger.

that Carl and Ann Crews are at the Air Force Academy, where Carl is the boxing coach.

Bob Clarke reports that he is out of the service and now teaching at the Manlius School. His address is 105 East Dauenhauer St., East Syracuse, N.Y.

We still have a little club at Belvoir, and Don (Perin) Mawhinney sends the news this time. Dick Benfer, Jim Gaston, and Sam Walker are students in the career course which will wind up in February. Jack Lochner, an Infantryman, is at the Department of Military Art at the Engineer School ("another goat to shape up the engineers"). Cliff Flanigan is an instructor in the Department of Engineering "and is becoming the local expert on fall-out shelter design." Also on hand are Fritz Anklam, Andre Broumas, and Ed Keiser. And Mawhinney claims to be commanding officer of a company which sometimes has 16 platoons and nearly 500 Engineer platoon leaders. It's the Engineer Officer orientation company, responsible for some instruction, all the physical conditioning, and the discipline and class supervision of officers attending the orientation course—about 1,500 a year. He started the company from scratch, and it does at the Engineer School what the tactical and physical education departments do at West Point.

Walt Evans appears to be functioning as

the '54 social chairman in Korea (he's with the International Cooperation Administration, US Operations Mission to Korea, APO 301, San Francisco). Walt reports that Pete Leone, Don Porter, Frank Hart, and Bill Harper are there with 7th Inf Div (APO 7); Darrell Anderson and Chuck Wood with 1st Cav Div (APO 24); Jack Logan as CO of the Honor Guard, George Bennett with KMAG, and Jerry North with 83d Ord Bn (all APO 301); Dave Dimick and Pete Bunevich with 7th Log Engr Section.

Peggy Van Valkenburg reports that the five Van Valkenburgs are living in farm country in Crane, Ind. (Box 74), while Jerry attends Indiana U. to get his Master's in physical education. Also there are Fred and Elsie Lindsey. They're in the same course and will be going to West Point next year to instruct in the physical education department. Peggy adds that Jim and Mary Lou Henry are at the U. of Madrid (OUSARMA American Embassy, APO 285, N.Y.) along with their three children and dog. They're living like kings; he's doing graduate work in Spanish; and they'll be back at West Point next year.

Thanks for the news. Let's hear from you before 1 March. Best regards.

'55

John Lovell
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Highland Falls, N.Y.

By next fall, a sizable portion of the class (probably about 15%) will be serving on the faculty or staff of either the Military Academy or the Air Force Academy. Further news of those already stationed at these two institutions will be offered presently. First of all, however, mention must be made of a certain sister institution, whose recent activities in Philadelphia caused us all considerable agony and dyspepsia. Of those activities, the less said the better; yet there was a brighter aspect to this occasion, for it provided the stimulus for numerous class get-togethers throughout the country and, no doubt, abroad. As this article goes to press, I am able to report only on the get-together in Philadelphia, but undoubtedly by next issue those of you who have gathered together elsewhere for the occasion will have sent us a report of your activities.

For acting as my roving reporter to the class cheering section in Philadelphia, I pay thanks to Warren Jones, who was literally roving that day, coordinating television coverage of the game and related activities for the Military Academy, in his capacity as Assistant Post Information Officer. Other class representation at the game consisted of the following: Bob Joseph, currently on ROTC duty at Clemson U.; Ben Franklin, currently living on Long Island and engaged in civilian pursuits; Paul Sullivan; Chuck Stoeckel, now stationed at McGuire AFB; Walter "Crafty" LeCates, also at McGuire AFB; Bob Pfeiff; Paul Jefferies; Jack Strom; Bob Doerr; Richard Struss; Will Holbrook; Rod Vitty; Jim Pirtle; and Pete Hornbarger.

From the Air Force Academy, Bill Goodwin writes that a class get-together for the Army-Navy game was scheduled to be held at the home of Dick Prater (as implied above, publication deadline has not permitted news of the party itself to reach us yet). On 18 November, Bill and Betty Goodwin became parents of a son, William Eric, their second child. Bill is teaching in the Mechanics De-

partment, as are Al Oppel, Stan Harvill, and Al Edwards. Other class representation, by department, includes: Dick Prater, mathematics; Jack Poirier, history; Dick Masson, political science; Dave Burroughs, English; Bill Anderson, department not reported; Bob McKelvey and Del Jacobs, astronautics; Roland Nordlie and, the Army's representative, Pete Walton, tactics.

Skipping back to an earlier part of the football season, the Homecoming game brought a number of classmates together in Michie Stadium, and at the dinner-dance for all graduates in Washington Hall thereafter. John Calley, still a bachelor, came up for the game from Wall Street, where he is serving as a broker with the G. H. Walker firm. Dick and Ginny Becker also drove up from New York City. Dick works for Union Carbide Corp.; the Beckers now have two sons, the younger born last summer. Also in the cheering section from New York City were Herb "Kelly" Lichtenberg and wife, Trudy. The Lichtenbergs have a son, Scotty; Kelly is employed as a curtain salesman. Ted and Barbara Thompson were at the game, from Bethlehem, Pa., where Ted is a research engineer for Bethlehem Steel. From Harrisburg, Pa., came Paul and Elsie Jefferies; Paul is a sales engineer with Texaco. From nearby Kingston, N.Y., Rich, Helen, and Ricky Struss arrived for the game; Rich works for Rotron, Inc. Zach and Audrey Hagedorn, and Ted Gay (bachelor), came up for the game from MIT, where Zach and Ted are doing graduate work in nuclear engineering. Completing the "out-of-town" representation at the game, were John and Jerra Hotchkiss, Fred and June Knieriem, and Walt and Edie Landers.

In addition, of course, a sizable number of those now at West Point on an assigned basis were at the game. This was, as a matter of fact, but one of several informal get-togethers of the class here in recent months. Eck Hayes got the ball rolling in the autumn by organizing a stag meeting at the Officers' Club to discuss class business, pending and proposed. Kitty Hayes followed up with a tea for the class wives. And for 15 December, at Round Pond, John Schick and Cliff Fralen and their wives organized a class Christmas Party. To bring you up to date on the classmates here at West Point, I shall refer to the alphabetical list which Eck Hayes has compiled for our use here.

Scotty Adams is teaching in the Department of Social Sciences; he and Carol have two children. In his "free" time, Scotty helps Joe Palone with the soccer team and, weekends, gets in his flying time at Stewart field. Paul Bazilwich is with the Physics Department, a department which, incidentally, is one of the few still in the location that we remember. Paul and LaVerne have three children: Paul, Ann, and Lawrence. Norm Blahuta is teaching plebe mathematics; Norm and Barb have one child. Also snatching tenths from plebe would-be Euclids is Jack Campbell, whose ominous powers in this area are no doubt enhanced by the fact that he is currently instructor of Section 13. Jack and Paula have four little Campbells. In the home of the original "mystery hour," the "juice" department, we find Bob Carpenter. Bob and Marly have two daughters, Leslie and Lani, and a son, Robbie. Frank Donald is teaching mechanics; he and Betty have three children. Cliff Fralen is one of five classmates assigned to the Department of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences which is still situated,

appropriately enough, on the fringes of outer space in the top stories of Washington Hall. Changing the initials from MT&G to ES&GS has, as one might have anticipated, made its impact upon cadet jargon. Among the names by which the department is now affectionately known, I am told, are "Earth, Sand, and Gravel," and "ES and BS." Enough of local lore. Cliff and Jean Fralen have two sons, Michael and Timothy, and a baby daughter, Susan.

Harvey "Mike" Garn is teaching in the Department of Social Sciences, as well as acting as advisor and coordinator for Debate Council activities, which have achieved Corps Squad status at the Academy. On 21 November, Mike and Gwen had their first child, a son, Michael Brandt, born at West Point. Eck Hayes is teaching Spanish in the Department of Foreign Languages; in addition, he is helping with the cross-country and track teams. Eck and Kitty have a baby boy, Gary Hugh. The assignment of Warren Jones has been reported in the second paragraph of this article. His duties primarily keep him busy coordinating official visits to the Military Academy, which were innumerable during the beautiful autumn weather. Warren's wife, Barbara, has proved a gracious partner in these duties, which involve meeting socially with members of Congress, military officials, foreign diplomats, and members of the news media. Jerry Lewis, like Bob Carpenter, helps to dispense the mysteries of the Department of Electricity. Jerry and Hannelore have two children, Billy and Peter. The next name, alphabetically, on the class list here at West Point is Lovell, who is here doing research for a PhD dissertation in political science. Joanne and I will probably be at our Highland Falls address until June.

Jay McCormack is teaching in the Department of ES&GS; he and Mona have a daughter, Ashley. Don Olvey, like Mike Garn, is one of several Rhodes Scholars in the Department of Social Sciences. Don and Kathleen have one child. John Pearson is a chemistry instructor; he and Marge have a son, David. Fred Phillips is another member of the ES&GS quintet. At this writing, Fred and Jean boast of four children—Delana, Jessica, Frederick, and Scott—with the fifth due in January. John Schick, by serving in the same department, is following closely in the footsteps of his father, who recently retired as Professor of ES&GS, and had also served at the Military Academy as a young captain. John and Ellen Schick have three children: Butch, Nancy, and Steve. Norm Sparks is teaching physics; Norm and Susan have two little girls. Bill Streett is also on the ES&GS team. Bill and Jackie have three children: Robert, David, and Kathleen. Bill Wix is instructing in the Department of Social Science. Bill and Mary Ellen have three children: Cindy, Linda, and Thomas.

From the D.C. area, Chuck Domeck sends news of what he calls "neutron types," quite appropriately, as the following assignments will indicate. Chuck, Rich Miller, and Tom Horst all received Master's Degrees last June from the U. of Michigan. Chuck was then assigned to the Army Plants Section, of the US Atomic Energy Commission. Rich is in the Mobile Reactors Branch, Army Reactors, also of the AEC. Tom Horst is attending the Engineer Officers' Career Course at Ft. Belvoir, prior to an assignment in Germany. Lee McKinney, a recent graduate of the AF Institute of Technology, is currently assigned to the SM-1 Nuclear Power Plant, Ft. Belvoir.

Joe Franklin, arriving at Ft. Belvoir from graduate schooling at MIT, is with the Nuclear Power Field Office. Jon Vanden Bosch has been transferred from Belvoir to AEC's Idaho Operations Office. Dave Wheeler is at AEC's Chicago Operations Office. Dave Maurer is with the Nuclear Power Division, OCE Joe Thomer and Ted Bishop are stationed at Ft. Belvoir.

Moving now to news from scattered sources and scattered locations, first let me call the attention of those of you who may have missed it to an article on p. 33, *Time* magazine, 29 Sep, reporting the activities of one "U.S. Captain Edward Nidever, a West Pointer," working with Vietnamese Rangers near Saigon.

John Rudzki will be finishing his graduate schooling at RPI soon, to report to the Electricity Department at West Point in February as an instructor. Bob and Phyl Chapman will be leaving civilian campus life in California in June, moving east also for a Military Academy assignment. Dick Baker paid a visit to West Point recently; Dick is serving as navigator-bombardier for a B-52 at a SAC base in North Carolina. Perry Boyd is doing graduate work in Tulane, in New Orleans. The Bob Stanleys have moved from Ft. Bliss to Ft. Sill, where Bob is attending the Artillery Advanced Course. Ed Zaborowski also is currently stationed at Ft. Sill. George Dulk is at Aberdeen Proving Ground, with the Ballistics Research Lab. Gil Batchman is a company commander in the 801st Maint Bn, Support Group, of the 101st Abn Div at Ft. Campbell. Jim Darrah has been assigned as assistant operations and training officer in the 5th Guided Missile Bn, Ft. Bliss. Bob Johnson is presently doing graduate work at the U. of Alabama. Jim Strickland is doing graduate work at the U. of Illinois. Bill Sietman and Myron Minich are at the U. of Michigan.

Miguel and Nayda Nieves had their second child, Nayda Maritza, on 30 Oct 61. After obtaining an advanced degree in civil engineering in 1960, Miguel began work as Chief of the Design and Construction Division, U. of Puerto Rico. Seven months later he began his own private corporation, working chiefly in the area of land development.

In a wedding at West Point in November, Bob Camp was married to the former Miss Mimi Park. Cliff Fralen and Warren Jones ushered at the wedding, and Eck Hayes was among the guests.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Margaret Stubbs, of Colorado Springs, and Bill Cummings; plans called for a December 1961 wedding. Bill has been assigned to Ft. Benning.

Bob McClelland stopped by West Point in November, having tendered his resignation from the Army to begin medical school. Bob Hasbrouck also resigned from the Service recently, and is currently in the junior executive training program of Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City.

Happy gloom period. Note, and use, please, the new address.

report with a group picture or two taken at that gathering. So far I have received two letters alluding to the reunion, but no detailed accounts of the schedule, merry-making, gossip, or class pictures. Please, somebody, come to my rescue. One of the two letters was from Carl and Derry Hattler who took a chance and revisited the Alma Mater just 10 days prior to the birth of the fourth daughter, Any Lorraine, born 12 Oct 61. Any's three sisters in ascending order of age are Kathleen Denise (nicknamed "Kelly"), born 18 August 60; Andrea Marie, born 11 Apr 59; and Hilary Ann, born 14 Mar 57. Carl has been in civilian attire since November 1959, and the Hattlers are now permanent residents of Bethesda, Md. The remaining letter mentioning the Class Reunion was from Priscilla and Gene Dewey at Ft. Belvoir. They said a good time was had by all at West Point and that the attendance was excellent. The Deweys recently completed a 2-month vacation in Scandinavia which included visits to Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and the Lapland of northern Finland and Norway. Since August 1961, Gene has been taking the Advanced Officers' Course at Belvoir. Also at Belvoir are the John Walls with their two sons, John Jr. and Henry; the Don O'Sheis and their two offspring; the Bill Johansens; the Mark Sisenyaks with little Thomas; the Eastburns; the Dayharshes; Bob Cremer; Skip Ross; Scott Smith; and Dick Thompson. Labor Day weekend Les and Attilia Weinstein traveled from Ft. Eustis to visit with the Deweys.

Elsewhere around the country, Chris Alaire reports he has recently been appointed Mayor of Riverdale, N.D. He was appointed to this perhaps first-class "political job" while serving as a Corps of Engineers Executive Officer in North Dakota. When not kissing babies and making campaign promises, his main service duties are to inspect and administer contracts concerning military and civil works construction programs. Chris tells me that he and Nancy and their children, Denny and Judy, are extremely fortunate to have large Government quarters consisting of four bedrooms, 2½ baths, a full basement, a study and, in short, plenty of room to turn around in. Dick Curl is assigned to the same Engineer District and is reported to be somewhere in Colorado.

Greg and Iline Wold wrote from Rockford, Ill., to tell the news of their expected second child this coming February. Papa Greg has done well with Sundstrand Aviation as evidenced by his recent promotion to "Midwest Sales Representative" of that company. He also expects to obtain his Master's Degree from Rockford College in June 1962. The Wolds had a nice visit with Dave and Gail Muntz at Skokie, Ill., last June. The occasion was the marriage of Greg's "little" brother Doug who recently graduated from West Point. Doug's bride, Virginia Humberg, graduated from Iowa State on 29 May 1961 and was entertained by the Muntz's while Dave was studying for his advance degree at the same university.

From the looks of things, the Nation's halls of ivy are bulging with classmates. As an example, Doug Johnson took time out from his studies at Cal Tech to inform me that at least 31 other '56-ers are studying for advance degrees under the auspices of the AF Institute of Technology. Those participating include Mike Alexander, Stuart Bowen, Ed Burhans, Darold Clonts, Dick Daleski, Lee Denson, Fred Dent, Joe Dougherty,

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I had hoped that perhaps there would be more news concerning the outcome of the 5th Reunion at West Point at this writing, and that I could brighten the pages of this

Dick Dowell, Hugh Filbey, Larry Fitzgerald, John Gromek, Ajax Hallisey, Lisle Kendall, Tom Kirchgessner, Bob Kurtz, Nick Mavrotheris, Rand Rensvold, Tom Ross, Joe Sanders, Don Satterfield, Mark Smith, Bob Stewart, Otis Studdard, Ben Tindall, Bruce Wallace, and Joe Waters. Ray Cannon, Tom Reinhardt, and Pete Verfurth are all studying at the AF Institute of Technology at Wright-Patterson AFB. Carolyn Cannon wrote to break the news that Ray and she are expecting their first baby in March. The Cannons also entertained Don Ackerman during a stop off on his way to the Harvard School of Business. From Harvard, Don expects to move on to the AF Academy as do many others of those mentioned above.

Barry Turner wrote that he has graduated from New Mexico A&M and joined Dick and Mary Crews at the White Sands Missile Range. Dick is working on the Pershing project. Bill Hooker sent a card informing me he's at Ohio State U. studying for a Master's Degree in chemistry and will be reassigned to West Point in 1963. Bob Sorley, presently attending the Armor Officers' Career Course at Ft. Knox, will go on to Harvard this coming June to earn a Master's Degree in English and then on to West Point and the English Department. He will join Charlie Poole, presently attending the U. of Heidelberg and assigned to the Department of Foreign Languages (German), and Frank Day, studying at Purdue and due for an assignment with the Department of Electricity. Bob Sorley wrote that Ft. Knox is presently swarming with classmates in the form of Jack Woodmansee, Bob Andree, Rudy De France, Jim Dozier (soon to attend the U. of Arizona and major in mechanics), Rick Frederick, Knobby Glock, Bill Haponki, Jerry Huff, and John Johnsen. Infantry files receiving cross-training in Armor at Ft. Knox are Chuck Kottich, Charlie Sarkiss, Dick Woods, and Doc Bahnsen. Apparently Bob Farris' present address is 2 Chauncey Terrace, Cambridge 38, Mass. Bob Goodwyn, his Judy, their daughter Leslie (4) and son Ty (18 mos.), have recently returned from Germany and Bob is engrossed with his studies at Georgia Tech and majoring in electrical engineering. Chuck Gorlinski, his Mariel and their two children, Charlie and Virginia, are attending the Advanced Course at Ft. Monmouth.

A birth announcement from Bob and Jan Krutz announced the arrival of a daughter, Linda Margaret, on 6 Sep 61. Wedding bells rang on 25 Aug 61 for Sam Gates and the former Emma Julia Fernandez at the McKinley Memorial Presbyterian Church at Champaign, Ill. The same vows were taken by Fred Rall and the former Lucinda Hall Foster on 23 Nov 61 at Chantilly Plantation, Mount Meigs, Ala.

My apologies to George Stapleton for misplacing his letter meant for the last issue of ASSEMBLY. George wrote from Germany at the time, but he is presently attending the Advanced Course at Ft. Benning. Bill McPeek expected to be reassigned from his Puerto Rico SAC assignment to the Squadron Officers' School at Maxwell AFB by 15 Sep 1962. The McPeeks hosted Giles Harlow while he was in that area for a month. Apparently Giles did everything from golfing and skin-diving to coconut tree climbing and, in other words, thoroughly enjoyed the atmosphere. Steve Boylan and his recent wife, the former Margaret Graef, sent me my first Christmas card from their assignment with the Training Section of VII Corps Arty in

Stuttgart. Steve expects to return to the US by 1963, but this remains a bit uncertain.

Judy Le Hardy did a good job of reporting the news from the Far East. To begin, Ward and Judy took a trip to the Philippines, and during a 3-day stay in Manila, visited with Joe Villanos. Joe and Julietta, his wife of a year, welcomed their first child, a baby girl they named Juay, the very day that Ward and Judy arrived for their visit. Joe has recently transferred to Ordnance in the Philippine Army and is stationed in Manila. Judy sent a snap shot of Ward, their oldest daughter Sally, and Joe, with instruction not to have it printed, but I know that all of you will be interested in seeing this one (particularly all former M-1-ers). The Le Hardy family probably numbers five by this time since they were expecting their third child this past November. Baby Le Hardy will



1956 "Reunion" in Manila. March 1961: Ward and Sally Le Hardy with Joe Villanos.

join little Sally and Ward Jr. Ward is now aide to Maj. Gen. Engler, CG, US Army, Japan. Apparently Japan is an ideal locale for running into classmates because, so far, the Le Hardy's have had Phil Farmer, Skip Rajala, and George Woods over for dinner while they were on leave in Japan. They see Al Carr frequently and recently attended a pizza party with the Don Sheehans, Ace Bowmans, and the Carrs. Last March, Ward, Don, and Al took a trip to Hong Kong together and went on a 3-day shopping spree. Judy's sister and her husband, Rude De France, are at Ft. Knox. Rude spent 3 years in Germany and then transferred to Armor. Elsewhere, the Ed Valences welcomed their second girl in Germany. Her name is Kathleen Denise and she was born 3 May 61. Nancy Merola corresponds with Judy Le Hardy and mentioned that Paul Merola is with Special Forces at Ft. Bragg but has spent considerable time in Laos recently.

Around the Los Angeles area, I don't have too many new and exciting tid-bits to report; however, I am expecting to see a good representation from '56 at the Founder's Day Dinner in this area this year. I hope that all of you will make a special effort to attend this dinner this year and to send along all the latest news or pictures gleaned therefrom. Until then may I offer congratulations to all you new captains? You deserve it.

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3 December 1961. — Having chewed nails, broken furniture, and cussed profusely for the last 24 hours, I do not feel at all in the proper frame of mind writing this column. Deadline is only 2 days away, however, so let's make the most of it. My apologies, in advance, for any note of cynicism, anger, or insanity. 7-13, . . . wait till next year. . .

Tom and Kay Kehoe established some sort of record early last fall at Ft. Richardson—the birth of twins (a boy and a girl) brought their total offspring to four. Cathey is two, Tom Jr. is one. We do not have a worthwhile token to present on such an occasion, Tom and Kay, but by all means accept our heartiest congratulations. Four under two years old . . . whew.

Topic number one is Reunion for '57. Tom Keeley (Building A-3, U3, Slocum Heights, Syracuse 10, N.Y.) wrote a couple of months ago suggesting that we explore the possibility of postponing the reunion until next fall at Homecoming due to our lack of seniority at all June week functions. I immediately mailed cards to our class officers as well as approximately 20 classmates picked at random. A large majority of those questioned preferred June Week 1962. And so it shall be. If you have not already done so, start now making plans to attend. Tom and Cindy Keeley are our co-ordinators and they will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

Once again many thanks for the abundance of correspondence you have been sending me. Time does not permit my answering all your letters, as much as I want to do just that. Please keep writing as each letter is a significant contribution to our column.

To Ralph and Winona Miles go my sincere apologies for indirectly accusing them of an improper practice last issue. I stated that Ralph was "still a bachelor." Such is not the case and hasn't been for more than a year. In fact, daughter Catherine was born in September. Bear with me, you-all.

Another error needing correction has to do with Jim Wood. He is *not* teaching math at West Point but is at Harvard Business School instead—as a civilian. Sorry, Jim, but it was purely unintentional.

Bill and Jill Golden's letter from Okinawa brought news of quite a few in that area. Jill foaled Bill Jr. in July. Bill has been on jump status since we finished at Benning in March 1958 and is now in Hq Co, 2ABG, 503d Inf CT, on Okinawa. He recently banged up a knee on a jump in Korea. Dick Fadel is in the 503d's Mortar Btry; Chickie and their three boys are there. Hank Hatch commands the Engr Det of the 503d's Support Co. Andy Foster is in the 503d, too. Barney Rose is still on Okinawa in the 809th Engr Bn. He's now commanding "C" Co.

Elsewhere in the Pacific, Frank DeSimone married Ruth Mary Markel at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, in September. Congratulations and best wishes. How about a letter, Frank? George Kilishek, one of our most faithful correspondents, is still in Hawaii in the 27th Inf's Combat Support Co. Moon Mullins is somewhere in the Pacific area serving as aide to an AF general (Paul Chase phoned this info *late* on a Saturday night—hence its lack of completeness).

East to Alaska: Stan and Marcia Pore had a daughter at Ft. Richardson in November.

Les and Charley Tate, with daughters Toni 2½ and Tamara 1, are on the same post. June Spector wrote a card from Ft. Wainwright where Joe is S-2 of a Missile Bn. They now have two daughters. Glen and Mary Rhoades are also at Ft. Wainwright (Co "E", 9th Inf).

From Belvoir, Bliss, Sill, Lee, Knox, Campbell, and Monmouth I received little or no poop. Bob Vermillion is in the Career Course at Belvoir. Tommy and Janet Thompson are at Bliss in Hq Btry, 1st Guided Missile Brig. Tom Adcock finished the Signal Career Course at Monmouth in June. Gary Stamley will finish the QM Career Course in February. He, Eileen, Jeanette 2½, and Craig 1, are living high in plush quarters at Ft. Lee.

George Landry, recalled after 15 months in civilian life, is in the 5th How Bn, 43d Arty, at Sill. Bev, George Desirce III, Michelle, and Geoffrey are with him. Thanks much for the long letter, George. Also at Sill are Carl Vuono, Joe House, Jim Taylor, Tex McCrary, Bob Leard, and Ed Cutter. Ed married Les Tate's wife's sister, Scotty. He returned last May from Korea.

Ray Bell, Vel Varner, Jerry Schumacher, and Jon Dunning wrote fine letters from Europe bringing me up to date on a number of people there. Ray is still in Hq CC "C", of the 3d Armd Div. Also in the 3AD are Tony Solberg, Don Fitzpatrick (he coached the Division Football team last fall), and Dick Kenyon, now in the Avn Co after a ground tour. Vel and Carol Varner adopted a 2½-month old boy in August—Mark Varner. Vel is an Aviation Officer in an 8-in How Bn. He saw Waxy Gordon recently at Mannheim—I think Waxy is still flying Otters out of Verdun (why don't you write, big fella??). Jon Dunning, along with the others in Mainz, was extended for 6 months but I judge by his letters that he and Margaret are not too heartbroken by that particular move. Jon is still in the 504th with Warne and Judy Meade (Asst S-4), Jim McGill (Assault Gun Plat Ldr), Spoon Alsheimer (XO, "A" Co), Hal Dyson (Wpns Plat Ldr), and Tom Garrigan (XO, "C" Co). Over in the 505th are Jack Adams (FDO, Combat Supt Co), Andy Webber (Asst S-2), Len Hanowald, and Tony Mikliski. Don Tribe (84th Arty) is also in Mainz. According to Jerry Schumacher, '57's Berlin contingent is growing stronger day by day. Chris and Phyllis Christenson are there; Chris is aide to the CG of troops. John Stokes and Dick Edwards are in one of the Battle Groups. The Schumachers had a son born on 6 November.

Frank Hannigan is in Stuttgart. Dave and Betty Nottingham are in the 24th Engr Gp.

Len and Dee Marrella were in Fontainebleau, France, back in June but are probably at Monmouth by now. Don Jenis, after serving in one of the Cavalry units on the border, is now at the School of Tank Technology, Royal Armored Force Center, Bovington Camp, England.

Mick Hazelriggs is still in the 493d Tac Fighter Sqdn in England. Harry Goodson is at the AFIT at Wright-Pat. Snake Christensen (pardon the spelling last issue, Snake) wrote a card from Las Vegas (tough life). He is now TDY to Philco Corporation near Philadelphia to take a course in electronic maintenance. Bob Christiansen is aide to the AF Academy Comdt (he wants to know Jerry Myers' address). Dick White is teaching physics at the AF Academy—he was married last June. Bill Webb and family are at Castle AFB. Marv Nilsen is flying in Korea. Ace Chase called from Craig AFB. He is batching

and instructing there. Fred Wells is with him. Fred's wife, Ann, had a baby girl recently. Bill and Shirley Meyerholt are at Craig also. Bill is in PIO.

Jose Olvera wrote a fine letter from Laredo, Tex. He, Russ Harris, and P. J. Schwelm are instructing there in the 3641st Student Sqdn. Russ and Doris have a daughter, Elaine; P. J. and Alice have one son; Jose and Eva have two sons and a daughter. Jose says that Joe Quiros is now in Costa Rica with Shell Oil Company. Stan Jensen is flying at Laughlin AFB in Del Rio, Tex. Bob Jones is at Forbes AFB, Kan. (B-47's, I think). Les Pritchard is flying fighters at Bitburg in Germany.

The crew in the Canal Zone are well reported on for this issue through letters from Dave Schorr, Bill Seeley, and Dick Scholtes. The most talked-about affair in that area recently is Chico Stone's wedding or, more specifically, the bachelor party preceding (Blinky Schorr was declared "Three-wheel Champion of Panama" after his demonstration of speed tricycling on the O-Club bar; Chico outlasted them all but nonetheless awakened the following morn on the club lawn). Our best wishes to Chico and Ginny. Russ and Linda Ramsey are at Ft. Gulick instructing in the USARCARIB School as are Bill and Pat Seeley (thanks for the two letters, Bill). In the 10th Inf are Dave and Patty Schorr, the Bob Christies, Chico and Ginny Stone, Buzzy and Mary Chase, Howie and Linda Martinez (avid skin-divers), Arcade and Jane Boivin, Leo Keefe, Dick and Ann Schottes (appreciate your letter, Dick), Mink and Barbara Newman, and Mike McCarty. Ken Kyne is in the 20th Inf. Lou Barrisono transferred to Ordnance.

My available poop indicates we have more classmates at Benning than any other single post. In the Career Course there are Jim and Dianne Edgar, Leon Bieri, Bill and Judy King (Bill won the Commendation Ribbon in Germany), Frank and Bunny Willett, Bill Bailey, Bob Drudik (won the Commendation Ribbon for his work in the Ranger Department), Bob Faulkender, Chil and Joan Armstrong, B. J. Tullington, Bob and Beth Merrick, Nick Robinson, Speed Negaard, Jack Meehan, Jack Sabraske, J. D. Smith, and Ted Voorhees. Dick and Inge Morton are in the 2d Inf. Div. Fox McCarthy is on the Mortar Committee. Bruce and Jeri Turnbull had a new addition recently; Bruce is in the USAIC G-4 Section. Hal Jordan, Bill Murphy, and Swede Swenson are instructing in the Ranger Department. Bill recently won a Commendation Ribbon also.

Charley Coates' and Ray Karsian's "Mash Mich" party on 7 October was highly successful (despite the preceding afternoon's adversities). In attendance were Gerry Chase, Ace Cross, Ted Johnson, and Tom Hicklin all from the U. of Illinois, and Mort Roth from Ohio State. Hicklin recently was awarded a Commendation Ribbon for his work in the 8th Inf Div in Germany last year. Chase and Roth have matrimonial plans (Sound odd? I didn't mean it that way).

Bill Ray and Dick Manahan are at Ohio State. Jerry Patterson, Jack Apperson, and Fed Felber are still at U. of Alabama. Jack and Ted saw Charley Moses and Jack Solomon at Aberdeen Proving Ground in August. All have transferred to Ordnance. Gordon Moreland is attending Georgetown U. Law School. Bill Ellis and Jim Woolnough are still at Georgia Tech. The Woolnoughs had twin girls back in the summer.

Tom Roeback resigned. Al Bell is in the insurance business in Connecticut. Brian Kennedy works for Western Electric in West Islip, Long Island, attends law school at NYU, and publishes a political newspaper in Suffolk County. Ken Harmon will soon get his law degree from some university in Texas (Texas U., I believe). Tom Keeley is teaching high school and working on a degree at Syracuse. He and Cindy are making a fine effort to give us a good reunion in June.

Bob Tener wrote from Iowa State. He and Sara have one son. Bob is studying civil engineering. Lou and Gitta Circeo have finished at Iowa State. Lou's thesis was selected to be presented to the National Highway Research Board in Washington in January. Joe Tedeschi is studying Nuclear Engineering at Iowa State. He is in the Chemical Corps now. Tom Olsen is at Purdue as is Dick Caldwell. Tom and Sally Runyan are at Duke; they were married in August. Bill and Frances Burke are at New Mexico U.

Bob Winters was married in November to Cathleen McHale. They and the Robin Mangums are at Ft. Meyer with the 3d Inf. Don Winters is back from Korea and is now assigned to 5th Missile Bn, 55th Arty, Naval Air Station, Olathe, Kan. (?). Buddy Bullotta called recently from West Point. He is still on the football coaching staff and expects to visit us on a recruiting trip soon.

A couple of last minute items: Bern Basse is with GE in Cincinnati. He and Elise have one daughter, Allison—2½. Jack Hesse and wife Pat are at Wright-Pat in the AFIT where Jack is studying astronautics. Bob and Kathy Lamb, Jack and Irene Gleason, and Bob and Barbara Markham are at Lockbourne AFB.

We will celebrate Huck IV's birthday tomorrow and I am far more excited than he. It's been a short year—much has happened. Bridget sends her regards. We look forward to the visit of any and all of you with us here in Albemarle.

If what I read and hear is true you will be captains by the time you read this. Great news.

We miss you. Write soon.

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As timely as the bill collector, er, no... As timely as the; no. As time; well, as I was saying last quarter at this time... with my late news.

ARMOR. John Brinson has been assigned as aide to Brig. Gen. Stilwell, Comdt of Cadets, USMA. To the best of my knowledge, John is the first classmate besides Gar O'Quinn to be stationed at the Academy. John's address is Qtrs 149-46, West Point. Bill Graf has been assigned a company in the 34th Armd Bn in Munich following his branch transfer to the Armor. Sam Myers recently took command of the Hq Troop, 1st Recon Sqdn, 14th Armd Cav in Fulda. Also in Germany is Paul Schonberger with the 9th Armd Cav.

Dick and Beverly Graves with their one son are presently stationed in Hawaii. Tom Orr has been transferred from Hawaii to the 17th Cav at Ft. Campbell. Church Hutton has orders to Hq USACONARC at Ft. Monroe. His last assignment was with the 1st Inf Div at Ft. Riley. Butch Saint is aide to

Brig. Gen. Bastion, CG of USAATCA, Ft. Knox. Max Pearsall is presently stationed with the 34th Armor at Ft. Knox as Hq Co Comdr.

ARTILLERY. Jack Burke is assigned to the 2d BG, 52d Inf, in Friedberg. Willie Collett is also in Germany as Sounding Plat Ldr with the 26th Arty in Aschaffenburg. His wife Wanda is living on Route 3, Middletown, N. Y., since Willie's departure in September. Bud and Jane Moentmann are in the Munich area where Bud is flying for the 11th A/C Regt. The Moentmanns had their second child in September.

Percy Hutson was married on 9 Sep 61 to Evelyn Carroll Harnett in Baumholder. Glenn and Judy Lane are now the proud parents of four children following the birth of twin boys in April 1961. Glenn is assigned to the 2d Msl Bn, 81st Arty, in Erlangen. Larry and Becky Hunt are still with SETAF. They have a second son, Jonathan Bradford, born on 25 Jun 61. Becky is busy teaching kindergarten full time.

Neil and Carole Mathis have announced the birth of their second child, Carole Elizabeth, on 13 Sep 61, at Ft. Hood, Tex. Carole, Robert and Beth are living at 1007 Searcy Drive, Kileen, while Neil is in Korea. Corky Henninger, who left for a Korean assignment with the Lacrosse system, found himself transferred to CO of an 8-in How Btry in the I Corps Arty. His battery contains 21 Americans and 98 Koreans. Corky's address is "B" Btry, 1st How Bn, 17th Arty, APO 24, San Francisco. As reported last quarter, Walt Plau is in Greenland. Betty, meanwhile, is living at 70 Nahua Ave., San Francisco.

My announcement in the last article to the effect that Paul Makowski had orders to Turkey was in error. Paul left Ft. Meade for the Hq of the US Army, Ryukyus, where he is aide to the Deputy CG. Joselyn is living at 1724 Priscilla Drive, Silver Spring, Md. Robbie Robertson has been assigned to Ft. Rucker, Ala. I understand that Frank Harlem is presently in Korea.

Rube Waddell has transferred to the Artillery from the Engineers and has his new assignment with the 3d How Bn, 11th Arty, APO 29, N. Y. Rube and Lorelei had a new daughter, Rebecca Lynn, on 18 Aug 61. Hugh, Ann, and Donna Trumbull are settled in Kitzingen with the 2d Msl Bn, 82 Arty. Hugh commands the Ammunition Train. John Num is presently aide to the 3d Inf Div Arty Comdr in Kitzingen, APO 36, N.Y.

John Shetler is now in Germany with the 6th Arty's "B" Btry. Ann, meanwhile, is living at 758 N. Wooster Ave., Strasburg, Ohio. Bill and Edna Mae Serchak are at Ft. Sill where Bill is attending the Artillery career course, the first of the class to do so.

ENGINEERS. Bob Baker has been assigned to the 54th Engr Bn in Korea since September. Also in Korea is Bo Craddock, whose assignment is the 2d Engr Gp. Jim Hall recently left the Office of the Chief of Engineers in Washington for Korea and the 44th Engr Bn (Const). While Jim is overseas his wife Dee is living in Arlington, Va. Curt Stender is flying for the 2d Engr Gp in Korea.

George and Marlene Hall are stationed in SETAF. Pete and Lynne Penczer, stationed in Schweinfurt, had a son born to them on 8 Oct, Peter Rudolph. Pete is CO of "B" Co, 10th Engr Bn.

It appears that John Hill has switched from the Infantry to the Engineers. He is

presently CO of "E" Co, 13th Engr Bn, 7th Div in Korea. Orlie Hill is CO of "C" Co, 3d Engr Bn, APO 24, N. Y. (Munich).

T. K. Smith has been assigned to the Corps of Engineers Ballistic Msl Construction office at Rapid City, S.D. Tom had completed his Master's in structural engineering at Iowa State in August. Bill Parks is attending Purdue U. for his Master's in civil engineering with a minor in photo interpretation.

INFANTRY. Kev Brown is assigned to the G-1 office of the 24th Inf Div in Germany. Bill Buchly is the junior aide to Lt. Gen. Oakes, VII Corps CG, also in Germany. Bill and Beverlee Cibosky, living in Munich, have adopted two children, Stephen and Stacia, ages 2 and 3. Bill is stationed with the 1st ARB, 46th Inf, APO 29, N.Y. Others in Germany are Jim Emmons, assigned to the 14 Armd Cav in Bad Hersfeld; Les Gibbings, aide to the Asst Div Comdr, 24th Inf Div; John Herren, assigned to the G-3 Office, 24th Inf Div Hq; and Tony and Billie Nadal, who are fast becoming "short-timers" with "A" Co, 1st ARB, 46th Inf, APO 29, N.Y. Brian Koster has orders to Germany from his last assignment in Ft. Lewis, Wash.

Ronnie, Debbie and Carry Short are on Okinawa, where Ron has joined the 1st Special Forces with "A" Co, APO 331, San Francisco. The duty is good, but the heat and humidity bad. The Shorts, with others, have organized a small school to teach Ryukyuan to speak English. Hal Lyon is in the 2d BG, 34th Inf, APO 7, San Francisco (Korea). His wife Cinda is with her parents at 2118 49th St., Washington 7, D. C. Their son Eric has successfully overcome a serious muscular condition which required an emergency operation.

Linc Jones is aide to Maj. Gen. Costello in Italy, and Dick Lynch is aide to the CG of Ft. Leavenworth.

ORDNANCE. Pat Donovan is CO of the 707th Ord Det, APO 24, San Francisco (Korea). Dick and Germaine Trabert, living at 2805 Pond Place, New York 58, N.Y., had their first child, Deirdre Marie, born on 24 Sep 61. Neil Williamson is assigned to the Fifth US Army Stu Det in Chicago while attending the U. of Michigan. Neil and Marilyn had their second daughter, Lisa Louise, 2 Nov at Ann Arbor. They live at 1328 White Street. Dick Groves is a student at Purdue.

SIGNAL CORPS. Bob D'Amore is expected to arrive shortly at the 8th Sig Bn, Bad Kreuznach. Bob Degan is CO of "B" Co, 8th Sig Bn, and Hugh Morgan is in the same company. Bad Kreuznach is APO 111. Bill and Rosemarie Shepherd have a daughter Pamela, who was 4 months old in November, in Wurzburg. Bill is adjutant of the 123d Sig Bn, APO 800, N.Y.

Jack Peters is in the 13th Sig Bn, 1st Cav Div, in Korea, and Jack's wife Jeanne is living at 1609 Virginia Avenue, Monaca, Pa. Branch and Nancy Worsham's address is USARAL Signal Co, Ft. Richardson, Alaska, APO 949, Seattle.

USAF. John Abernathy is stationed with the 492d TFS, RAF Lakenheath, England (Box 19, APO 179, N. Y.), flying F-100's. In July he had to bail out with engine trouble, fortunately none the worse for wear or tear. His wife Nancy and their young son Mark are with him in England. Hank and Pat Bielinski and their two young daughters are also at Lakenheath.

Walt Patterson has announced his engagement to Susan Reinhart of Mt. Kisco, N.Y.

The wedding is planned for 9 Jun 62. Walt is presently an aircraft commander flying from McGuire AFB with MATS. John Cook has been transferred from McGuire to Lackland AFB, Tex., as an instructor and member of the USAF rifle team. John won the base and MATS championships while at McGuire. Wayne Hagberg remains at McGuire where he flies for the 30th Air Transport Sqdn. Wayne was married in the spring of 1961—his wife's name is Mavis, nicknamed Rusty. Jack and Arlene Halsey, also at McGuire, had their third son on 12 Aug 61—his name, Guy Charles. The Halsey's live at 4225 E, McGuire AFB.

Nick and Cookie Carlson are living at 508 Colfax Place, Topeka, Kan., with son Christopher. Nick is a navigator with the 90th ARS stationed at Forbes AFB. He says he spends about half his time at Frobisher AFB and invites all those who pass through to look him up. Tom Cartwright is also stationed at Forbes AFB. He flies B-47's for the 45th Bomb Sqdn.

Mac and Pat Williams had a second child on 3 Sep 61 at Marysville, Calif. Michael Ashton joined his parents at 501 North Beale Road. Toby Kevin is assigned to the 39th Troop Carrier Sqdn at Evreux, France (APO 253, N.Y.). He recently participated in the FTX "Wind Drift" for the 8th Abn Brigade.

John Kubiak, who received his wings on 12 May after a long medical delay, is stationed at Yokota Air Base in Japan (APO 328, San Francisco). He flies for the 56th WRS with WB-50's. Dave Livingston, presently stationed at Bitburg, Germany, shortly expects to return to the States for a short tour at Nellis or Williams AFB to fly F-105's.

CIVILIAN. Jim Castle has resigned from the Engineers to join the GE Missile and Space Vehicle Dept. He will be employed as a design engineer on the Advent communications satellite program, but in the interim is being sent to the U. of Pennsylvania for his Master's in electrical engineering, specializing in computer design. His address for the next few years will be Apt 2-C, 60 Reiff Mill Rd., Ambler, Pa.

Other whose resignations I have noted in the service publications are Pete Byrne, Don DeJardin, Barry Eveleth, Bill Foulkes, Bill Harry, Bob Huskinson, Harvey Jahn, John Manos, and Bill Miles.

Dave Parsons is presently studying for the priesthood at the Jesuit College, Boniface, Minn. He is eager to hear from classmates, but T. K. Smith, who roomed with Dave while he was at Iowa State U., warns that he cannot answer correspondence.

Nick Carlson ran across Bill Harrison at the Founder's Day dinner at Ft. Leavenworth. Bill is still with Proctor and Gamble in Kansas City, but he and Betty have a new address—10505 Westbrooke Drive, Overland Park, Kan.

I would appreciate hearing where Lenny McCormack is if anyone knows.

Again I must close, reminding you of the next deadline—20 March.

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Joseph H. Coreth
Trp A, 1st Recon Sqdn
2d Armd Cav, APO 114, NY

Happy extensions to the Class of 1959, and I hope that no one is more confused than I as to what the date of his rotation actually is. I really don't know when I go home anymore, so the address at the top

of this column is subject to change without notice.

Had an informative letter from Charlie Lytle who has been coaching "B" Squad football at West Point. Seems part of Lusk Reservoir has been filled in to permit the building of permanent stands on the east side of Michie Stadium, increasing the seating capacity to 57,000 (Tilt! 30,000—Ed.). Charlie was at Ft. Campbell before returning to WP, and he says he is still a bachelor of the type who would appreciate a few of the "good" telephone numbers any of us might remember from cadet days. Bill Rowe and Bob Novogratz have also returned to the plain and have been coaching the plebe team. Bob came from Ft. Bragg and Bill left an assignment in Germany for the temporary coaching job.

Despite the high cost of living and the continued inflationary state of PX prices, members of the class continue to get married, and the entire class wishes them well.

Bruce Porter and Diane McAulay Lancaster were wed on 22 July at Winter Park, Fla. Bruce is currently Exec Off of "B" Btry, 8th Arty in Hawaii (APO 25).

Fred Malek and Marlene MacArthur were married at Alameda Naval Air Station on 5 August. Fred is now in the Finance Corps. He, Bruce Porter, John Gurr, and Bob Beale attended the Founder's Day Dinner at Saigon (Viet Nam) last March and Bruce gave the youngest grad's address, fortunately to a smashed audience, he says.

Doug and Sonja Sefton were married on 1 July and now reside at 81 Woodland Avenue, Apartment 12, San Rafael, Calif., where Doug works with the 40th Arty Brig. Also in the area, writes Doug, are Ron Pistone, Don Wands, Johnny Hyde, and Willy Wright.

Irv and Phyllis Brooke tied the knot in Stratford, Conn., in July. Irv is with the Corps of Engineers and has received orders moving him from Ft. Campbell to Germany.

Tom Seybold was married last June and is now in Viet Nam on a MAAG assignment.

Received a belated report that Joe Sullivan and Sheila Thompson were married in July 1959 and have one girl, Cynthia, and a second child was expected sometime in November 1961. They now live at 1923 Maple Street, Lafayette, Ind. Joe has transferred to the Ordnance Corps and will be attending Purdue U. for the next two years for his Master's Degree in engineering sciences.

Rumor has it that classmates numbering in the neighborhood of 50 have switched to Ordnance. Some we know about are Larry Wiley and Doug Anderson, both at Purdue for the same course of instruction as Joe Sullivan; John Wilson, who is attending Stevens Institute for a Master's in math (Johnny?); Walt Brown, now attending New Mexico State; and Joe Enright, Jean Engler, John Ruth, and Jay Warren who are assigned to Detroit Arsenal. Lou Caruso, Bob Bowers and Tom Moorhead are also in Ordnance, but at this writing assignments remain unknown. Benny Carr, an Engineer type, is also at Purdue for a year-and-a-half leading to a Master's in Electrical Engineering.

Congratulations to new arrivals reported since the last time and to the proud parents responsible. They are:

A son, James William, to Kathy and Ed Temple on 15 July. Ed is XO of "A" Btry, 8th Arty in Hawaii (APO 25).

A daughter, Cindy Alise, to Isabel and Joel

Kampf in August. Joel is Sig Plat Ldr with the 25th Avn Co in Hawaii.

A daughter, Tammy, to Linda and Skip Tyler in July.

A son, Tim III, to Penny and Tim Plummer, sometime.

A daughter, Barbara, to the Tom Russell's at Ft. Campbell in May.

A daughter, Donna Marie, their second, to Terry and Tex De Atkine on 27 October at Ft. Lewis. Tex is Asst S-3 of the 2d How Bn, 1st Arty at Ft. Lewis.

A son, Steven Anthony, to Connie and Tony Pokorny on 18 September. Tony is with Hq, 2d How Bn, 39th Arty, at APO 36 in Germany.

A second son, David Stanley, to Arlene and Jim Hahn in November. Jim is with the 3d Avn Co in Kitzingen.

A son, Steven, to Pat and Ed Robinson at Wurzburg in September. Ed is also with the 3d Avn Co in Kitzingen.

A son, Christopher David, to Carla and Dave Wheeler on 9 Mar 60, making a valiant attempt for the Class Cup! Carla and Dave now reside at 500 N. Laura St., La Habra, Calif., where Dave is IFC Plat Ldr at a Nike Hercules site. They have a second child, Donna Louise, born 31 Mar 61.

More Class Cup news. Seems Russ Street is thought to be the undisputed winner with a December 1959 3-pound plus son. Let me hear more about it so we can unofficially adopt an official "godson."

Had a nice note from Jeanne and Pete Wentworth (ex-K-1). She is the former Jeanne Ann Burchfield from Highland Falls, and the pair have one son, Richard Chapman, born 31 Oct 58. Pete is a 1st Lt. with the Infantry and is presently with the Combat Support Co, 2d BG, 10th Inf, Ft. W.D. Davis, Canal Zone. Both Jeanne and Pete would enjoy hearing from their old friends.

Clay Fannin writes from his home with the 4th Avn Co at Ft. Lewis. He attended the first field class on the AO-1 "Mohawk" at Rucker last spring and is now flying aerial surveillance for the 4th Inf Div CG. Ed Netzloff and Joe Williams are both general's aides at Ft. Lewis, Ed to the Div Arty Comdr and Joe to the Asst Div Comdr.

Betty and Jerry Greenawalt have moved from Castro Valley to Mill Valley, Calif. Jerry is now Asst Ops Off at the San Francisco NORAD Control Center and can be reached at Box 109, Mill Valley AFB, if you're wondering how to go about getting a job like that.

The Ed Stauch's are at Ft. Meade, with two children, Anne Marie-18 months, and Tommy-8 months.

Johnny Gurr is with the 9th How Bn, 1st Arty in Hawaii, and Art Bair is reported sweating through Russian at the Army Language School at Monterey, Calif.

Dick Sundt writes from a hospital in Copenhagen where he was flat on his back with a moderate case of something or other, contracted while he was there on leave, of course. Dick is still in Germany at APO 29 with the 5th How Bn, 92d Arty. Wife Nete and daughter Kathleen are there with him. He says Joyce and Don Smart are still on the economy in Hanau and are now driving a VW instead of a car (Gruschow take note!).

Sundt and a few others have written and asked about a few things such as the status of our class fund, and do we have a class constitution and by-laws. I dunno, but if the appropriate members of the class committee will drop me a line with the answers I will

be happy to include them in next issue's effort.

Dick adds that Susan and Dick Rogers had a boy, Stephen, and that the Rogers' have transferred to Ordnance and are out of touch. We need an address from whoever can supply it.

Somebody send some snapshots!

'60

Edwin A. Deagle, Jr.
Troop F, 2d Armd Cav
APO 139, New York, N. Y.

The snowman cometh; winter number two of freedom descends upon us all. I seem to remember vaguely a term known as "Gloom Period" that had something to do with late winter. Can't recall where I heard this term except that it was associated with a rather dark, tragic period in my past that is better left cloaked in the euphoric silence of the HOWITZER. Quite seriously, time has swept us so far from West Point that memories are mellowing already. Indeed, first lieutenants all, possessed of wives and multitudinous offspring, burdened with a stupendous wealth of experience and knowledge in living and soldiering, we are wise in the ways of the world, aren't we? Recently I've seen classmates gaze at the youthful countenances of untainted second lieutenants with that knowledgeable look seen elsewhere only on generals and in Imperial advertisements.

Enough impertinent philosophy. My apologies to all for the conspicuous absence of the good word in the Fall issue; publication and shipping times to all parts of the world are so prolonged that by the time many of you received the Summer issue, the deadline for the next newsletter had already passed. As a result, I had little correspondence for the Fall issue and decided to wait for this one.

Got a letter from Bob Schanep while he was at Reese AFB. He is now married, having taken up the double yoke with Sandra Gayle 1 July at Reese Chapel. Sandra is a hometown girl, from California. Bob, John Lopiano, and Jim Crabbe expected to get their wings in mid-September and by now are elsewhere on flying duty. Lew Meloan was there with them, but had just arrived. John and Maureen Lopiano, incidentally, now have a son, John (I'm not sure if he's Junior or not). More word from the Air Force: Cal Johnson writes from Mather AFB, Calif. He and Melba should have a junior member of the family by now—they were expecting in October. He graduates from Advanced Navigator Bombardment Training in January and should get a shot at a B-52. With him at Waco, Tex., were Bill Myers (who unfortunately was grounded for asthma, but is now doing well at Electronics school at Keesler AFB), Keith Garner, and Mel Hayes—who are now on flight status after starting out AF ground.

Heard from quite a few of the A-bone types at Bragg and Campbell—they're either a talkative lot or else the Army doesn't have enough work to keep them busy between jumps! (OK, I'm sorry; I didn't mean it, I didn't mean it.) Bill Squire writes and tells me he had a brief sojourn as CO of Mortar Btry, 325th Inf, before being ousted by an incoming captain type. With him at Bragg are Jerry and Mary Lewis (who have been blessed with a son, Michael John), and Frank Farrell with his new bride, Jean—they were

married in June. Also present for duty in the 325th are Fenton Griffith in "C" Co, Bill Sartoris in "B" Co, and George Giacoppe in "E" Co. Ted Danielson is Asst '3 and Jim Kane's got the Recon Plat. (Jim and Peggy have a little girl now, I hear.) I'd say that pretty well infiltrates this battle group—there are only two of us in my squadron!

Tom and Judy Donahue dropped me a line from Bragg also. He's Recon Officer for the 501st Inf. Dick McNerny was married to Mary Grace La Buda in California 9 September and is now with the 501st. Also present are Dick and Anna Cox—and daughter Anna Jane. Others heard about and mentioned in the Donahue's letter are: daughter Elizabeth to Dan and Carol Shimek at Ft. Lewis, Wash.; son Michael James to T. J. and Marge Bara with the 504th Inf in Germany; son Frederick to Frank and Judy Calverase; a boy, Michael, to Don and Ann Chapman; a girl to Jack and Jean Burden. Rumors have it that Jack Hoass is now married to Roberta Dawson (they met at the Donahue's wedding). And lest I forget—the most important news of all (I quote) in the Donahue's letter is the arrival 27 June of daughter Leigh Anne!

Got a long letter from Barbara and Bob Marcinkowski (and a picture). Can you imagine that? Somebody finally sent me a picture! Bob's airborne out Kentucky way with the 502d Inf—"C" Co. He and Barbara have a junior paratrooper, Robert Donald Jr. (Disregard poor family name spelling in picture: Marcinkowski is just too much for the 101st to handle.) Fred and Becky Faery—also in the 502d—say hello. Euel and Ann Wade (327th Inf) have a new tax exemption by now I believe. Darrell and Pat Houston (also with new addition) are in the 502d. Bob Anderson is in the 506th Inf. Norm, Chris and Karen Kuklinski are with the 326th Engrs, as are Ruth and Dick (and son) Holleman and Chuck Mandelbaum. Irv Lerch is with the 506th and Larry Kling is in the Div Sig Bn. John Coombs, I hear, is with C&C, Division. John Hynd is in the 4th Arty in Washington. Austin Vencill, Don Prosser, and Bill Bailey are all definitely shipped out to the 7th Foreign Legion—I mean, Special Forces (cough).

Shirley Robocker sent a short note—she and Buddy (and son David Ward) are part of "B" Btry, 321st Arty at Campbell. She says that Cynthia Lyn Hall is quite the lady in the Hall household. Fred and Eleanor are in "A" Btry of the 321st. Shirley mentions that Bill and Doris Danforth (501st Inf) have a little Danforth running around these days: son William Allen.

From elsewhere in random notes comes word that Jim De Ment was wed to Sharon Foster on 22 July at West Point and are now at Eglin AFB. Best Man was Ed Garton who is at Ft. Meade, Maryland. Ed Strasbourger is with the 24th Inf Div here in Germany. Chuck and Marianne Collins are in Hawaii. Jim Fairchild writes from sunny California. He and Sandy are at 11214 Balboa Blvd, Granada Hills (I don't know if these Nike outfits have any military addresses or not!). In the same area (around Los Angeles) are Chuck and Ann Gallo, Tom and Donna Whitmore (and Laurie Ann), Bob, Carol, and Chris Eckert, Tony Wood, and Gene Howell. Jim tells of a wild party in San Francisco with Dick Greene, Bill Helbock, Frank, Fran and Frank Jr. Cremer,

Art and Gwen Judson, Bob and Ann Johnson, Bob and Tommie Fairweather, Tom and Jean Van Riper, and Jack Hug, in attendance (Ed. note: if any pix were taken, send them in.) It must be nice to bath in the warm sun of Southern California, go to parties, etc.—well, back to Graf. . .

Reed Bennett wrote from Ft. Lewis and explained that he finally bit the dust and joined the lost legions of the married. He and Gloria Green—from his home town—were wed 3 September. He says married life is the coolest (in somewhat different and more explicit terms, of course). Bachelors: take heed; your ranks are thinning. Next issue I'll try to gather some figures on what percent of the class is where and in what status. Anyway, with Reed in the 4th Inf Div Engrs are Joe and Judy Skinner—who are parents now; Dan, Carol and Elizabeth Shimek; Joe Stehling; Mick Windsor; and Glenn Lehrer—who is married, from what I hear. While on TDY to Belvoir for the Special Weapons Course, Reed saw Hank Watson and Dick Holleman, who are both fine.

Got a letter from fellow veteran of the winter Ranger campaigns, Bob Ammerman



1960: R. D. Marcinkowski Jr. at Ft. Campbell.

(who is now in Hawaii and swears the local jungle-mountain complex is worse than north Florida and Dahlenega combined) He and Peg have a son, Robert H. III as of 18 October. Joe and Karen Fortier have a daughter, Kim (Joe's another frostbite veteran). Other offspring include Jill to Jere and Judy Forbus, and Kimberly Ann to George and Judy Stanley. Joe is in the 21st Inf, Jere in the 14th, and George is in the 125th Sig Bn. Also seen around occasionally are Ben Evans, Doc Sutton, Manny Hildalgo, and John (Big Bad John) Hesford. Bob spoke of an impending blast in Hawaii for all '60-ites before Christmas—we should see pictures soon.

Tom Bullock writes from Germany. He and Pamela are in the 547th Engrs (APO 175) and reports that Jack Misura checked into his area with the 38th Field Arty. Pete Hastings was around Darmstadt for a while with the 32nd Sig Bn, but is now in Frankfurt. Tom heard from Emer and Sherry Yeager (2d How Bn, 9th Arty) in Hawaii, who love it and say to expect new additions

from the Pete Brindleys, the Bill Chases, the Tony Bakers and a few more. Incidentally, Tom, the best thing to do when working on a job site (is that like a garbage dump?) as a fast tank column approaches, is *get out of the way!*

Joe O'neefe checks in from the 66th Armor's 2d MTB at Illesheim (APO 177) as a senior Seventh Army veteran (arrived 8 November); he's participated in two Grafenwohr campaigns, Wintershield II, and a shootin' match at the Bergen-Hohne tank ranges. He's now Mortar Plat Ldr for the Bn. With him in the Scout Plat is Bill Ruedel. Apparently neither has given up the voluptuous pleasures of bachelorhood in Europe as yet.

My last tour at Graf I ran into a number of classmates, as usual. Heard Ken King was in school there, but I didn't see him. Ran into Tom Taylor and John Hubard. John and Lee Allen are in 3rd Sqdn, 11th Armd Cav at Regensburg (APO 225). With them in How Btry are John and Pat Weiler and Bud Mease. Saw Judy and Nat Fox; they were married in Switzerland 25 July and are now with "E" Co, 13th Engrs, APO 111. Jim and Barbara McCollum are in Hanau. Carl and Jill Miller were married in Heidelberg 3 June and spend their time now with the 16th Arty, 4th Armd Div. I hear John and Juanita Crump are in Munich.

I have a couple of red-faced corrections to make on my last article. Paul and Judy Roberts are with 3rd Sqdn, not 1st Sqdn, 2d Armd Cav, at Amberg. Dave Byrnes and Lea Clark are with 1st Sqdn at Bindlach. Apologies also to Frank Geiger—I failed to include his lovely wife, Linda, as being with us at Bamberg.

Lest I forget, Bonnie Maverick Robbins made her entrance into the world in Munich, at Chan and Jill Robbin's household. And, last, but certainly not least, Mary Ann and I have a son, Edwin III, born 12 July (on the way to Nurnberg, in an ambulance!). Needless to say, we are very proud.

So much for this season. I expect to get scads of mail weighed down with pictures taken of all the promotion parties, Christmas parties, New Year's parties, etc., that took place all over the world. Tune in next issue for another episode of "John's other classmate's wife's brother," or "This is your life."

PS: More hot poop that just arrived: 6 September was the date of arrival for William Joseph Hourihan III, son to Bill and Joan Hourihan, who are up at Bedford, Mass. The John Reid's have a son at Gelnhausen, David Hawthorne Reid, born 19 July. Born to Harma and Darrell Krape, a son Charles Russell 7 November. Ann and Bill Willoughby have a son William Frazier. Corinne and Roy O'Connor have a daughter as of 21 October. Barb and Jim McCollum also have a new daughter. And... I hear Danny Wilson is married! Bye again.

'61

Bill Heiberg
AOBC 2-62
1st Off Stu Btry
Fort Sill, Okla.

Having dropped from the esteemed ranks of the First Class into the lowly bracket of second lieutenants, I am sure all the members of the Class of 1961 are wondering when, if ever, they will be "second to none." At present most of us are finding ourselves carry-

ing out the orders of NCO's in Ranger and Airborne schools, or once again being hazed by academic departments, tacs, and everyone else.

First a report from the group at Ft. Sill, having finished the 13 weeks of Benning training: We are the first in our class to have finished the Ranger school, and a long dry spell in Florida coupled with fairly mild weather in the mountains has earned us the title of "Fair Weather Rangers."

Jim McGinnis found time between Airborne and Ranger schools to get married, while many other bachelors—including Steve Denney, Jim Scott, Todd Counts, Mike Swain, and Howie DeWitt—will be wed by the time this article is printed. Bill Weis has announced his engagement to the sister of Bob Parmele; Bob Dunning is now married, and Roy Armstrong announced a December wedding. Roy, by the way, has received orders to a hospital in Orleans, France.

There are still some bachelors here at Sill, and the present trend is to move out of the rather cramped BOQ's into the lovely homes of Lawton (?). Glen Adams, Bob Harrell, Bruce Holmberg, Gary Hyde, and John Neiger are sharing one home. Jim Lynch has set up house-keeping with Mike Brady, Lombardo, and Coyne, while another group consisting of Hoot Gibson, John MacLean, Paul Palmer, Bob Rosenkranz, Buck Shaffer, and myself have moved into the "Stumble Inn" in town. From Ft. Bliss I hear all the

bachelors are also living in town, and that Drew Casani is the class social leader. Bud Fritz reports that activities in Juarez are unchanged from our First Class trip.

Enough from the Artillery group. I've received small bits of information from those branch-qualified classmates now going through their Benning training. Sam Wilder writes from Ranger school that injuries are taking their toll of our class, including Bob McCarthy, hospitalized because of a dislocated elbow. He reports that the Armor bachelors are also falling by the wayside: Carl Hansen is already wed, while Ed Bruner, Ben Covington, Dick Fanning, Scotty Dillard, Bill Griffiths, and Dave Hastings are contemplating marriage soon. Bill Esselstein tells me he recently ran into Tom Minnehan, causing considerable damage to Bill's car; hard luck followed Bill, and several days later he had several hundred dollars worth of uniforms stolen.

From the Engineers I've heard very little except that John Kammerdiener, now in Ranger camp, is planning to celebrate their graduation with part of the \$12,000 he received for standing at the top of our class. I'm sure the list of bachelors there is also dwindling at a fast rate, but I've only heard that D-2 alumni J.W. Chism and Harvey Brown will soon be brothers-in-law, now being engaged to sisters.

Little news has come from the Infantry class, most of whom are now finishing Ranger

school, also. A list of those married or engaged since June Week has not reached me, except for Sam Enfield, wed in September.

Jon Aaronsohn reports that Stan Clough and Dave Biddinger head the list of Signal files who are recently married, while Mike Urette and Ken Meissner are engaged. For the most part the Monmouth group gained many pounds living in the luxury of the Jersey shore resort area, and they have since suffered through jump school to atone for their sins.

The entire class was shocked to hear of the tragic deaths of two of our number—Pancho Navarro and Spike Sanders—in automobile accidents. Those of us who know them only casually as well as their closer friends are well aware of the deep loss their families, their class, and the Army have suffered. Their memorials will appear in this or later issues of ASSEMBLY.

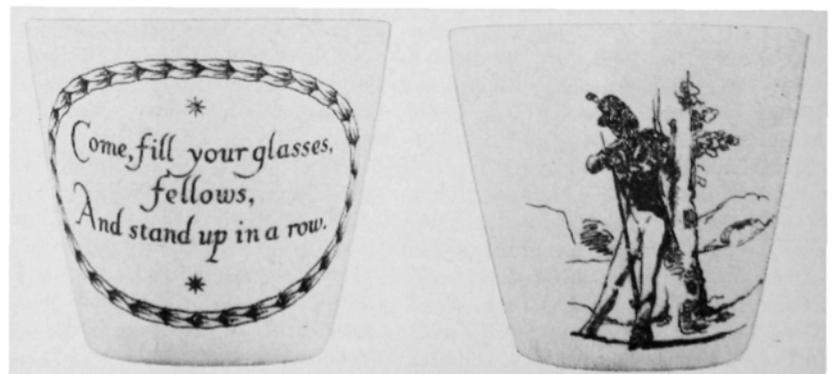
I will close my report with an apology to those many classmates whom I have left out. I have not mentioned the many couples who are expecting new additions, but I would appreciate announcements of the births of new arrivals, as well as any other news from all of '61. As the class becomes dispersed throughout the world these articles will be increasingly difficult to compile, so I can only ask that you send any information you have—along with pictures of class parties or reunions—to me at the address at the head of this column.

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We, sons of today, salute you,— you, sons of an earlier day;
We follow, close order, behind you, where you have pointed the way.

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George Adolphus Nugent

NO. 3821 CLASS OF 1898

Died 5 January 1958 at the Veterans' Hospital, Newington, Connecticut, aged 85 years.

FOLLOWING A LONG ILLNESS, Brigadier General George A. Nugent passed away on 5 January 1958 in the Newington Veterans' Hospital where he had been admitted 10 days earlier. The son of Elizabeth Pryer and Alfred E. Nugent, he was born 26 December 1872 in Lansing, Mich. His early years were spent in Fargo, N.D., where he attended grammar and high school. He was appointed to the Military Academy from North Dakota and, after attending the Preparatory School in Highland Falls, General Nugent became a plebe on 15 June 1894.

His cadet years were steady but not spectacular. In academics, he worked his way from No. 29 at the end of plebe year to No. 13 on the General Merit Roll at graduation. He was a regular Color Line and One Hundredth Night participant. First Class year



he was the Choir Leader and is credited with the composition of two hymns.

Upon graduation, General Nugent chose the Artillery. Following duty at Fort Trumbull, Conn., and then at Fort Terry, N.Y., when he married Emma Bacon, he went to the Philippines where he became Assistant to the Chief Quartermaster. Returning in 1907 to the Presidio of San Francisco as Quartermaster, he participated in relief work following the great fire and earthquake.

After a tour of troop duty, he graduated with honors from the Coast Artillery School in 1909 and went on to graduate from the Advanced Course in 1910. From Fort Monroe he entered the Army War College, his daughter Elizabeth was born, and he joined the War College faculty upon his graduation in 1911.

Promotion, General Staff assignments, and faculty duty at the Coast Artillery School filled the years until 1917 when, as Colonel Nugent, he assumed command of the 342d Field Artillery at Camp Funston, Kan. En route to France with his regiment, he was promoted to brigadier general on 8 August 1918.

Specially selected to prepare troops for overseas service, General Nugent returned to the US and commanded successively the

23d FA Brigade at Camp Sheridan, Ala., and the 14th FA Brigade at Camp Custer, Mich. Next came tours of duty as Assistant to the Chief of Coast Artillery, as G-1 of the Panama Canal Department, and as a member of The Inspector General's Office in Washington.

In 1928, he assumed command of the Chesapeake Bay harbor defenses, and in 1930 he moved to Fort H. G. Wright on Fisher's Island to take command of the 11th Coast Artillery and the harbor defenses of Long Island Sound.

Having graduated in the face of one war and having commanded troops in a second, this distinguished commander, staff officer and instructor became Chief of Staff, 2d Corps Area, in 1933, a tour of duty which was saddened by the death of his wife in January 1935.

The following year General Nugent, still at Governors Island, married Mabelle Murtagh Neale, and on 31 December 1936, after more than 38 years of loyal commissioned service, Brigadier General Nugent retired from active duty.

He and his wife retired to Old Lyme, Conn., where they were active in the social life of the community, including membership in St. Ann's Episcopal Church. General Nugent was buried in Pine Grove Cemetery, Middletown, Conn.

The HOWITZER of 1898 forecast no stars for this man, but he reached them; and the brilliant career he carved will shine as brightly as he takes his place in the Long Gray Line.

He is survived by his widow who lives in New York City; by his sister, Mrs. Louise Jones of Bellevue, Wash.; by his daughter, Mrs. Henry Blackiston, Jr., of New York City; and by two grandsons.

-D. S.

Stephen Abbot

NO. 4083 CLASS OF 1902

Died 20 August 1961 at Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado, aged 82 years.

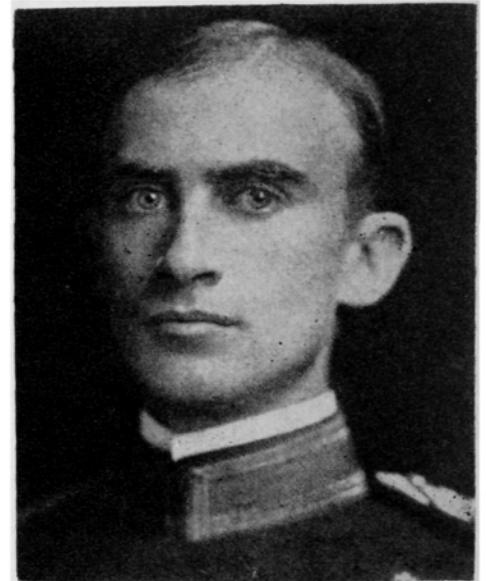
UP FROM SOUTHERN ILLINOIS came a tall, slender stalwart in June 1898 to enter the Class of 1902. He was looking forward eagerly to a career through West Point and into the United States Army, following the example of his father and his older brother. His father, William Abbot, as a boy served in the Volunteers during the Civil War in the grade of first sergeant, and subsequently was graduated from West Point in the Class of 1872. Henry Abbot, Stephen's brother, the original "Nick" Abbot, was a graduate of the Class of 1897, but he died only about a year after he graduated. Stephen inherited the sobriquet, "Nick," which clung to him throughout his life.

Abbot was never in any danger of being "found." He was a serious student, very capable, quick to grasp the meaning of his work, and graduated well in his class. In his first class year he was captain of "B" Company, as his father had been 30 years before. Aside from his books and his duties, his

chief interest was baseball. His constant promoting of it during his cadet days and his enthusiasm for the game were unflagging. Due to the early graduation of the preceding class, Abbot, then a second classman, was elected captain of the team, which on the 18th of May of that year, met the Navy team for the first time and won a victory for his team to the score of Army 3, Navy 2. The following year, himself a first classman and again captain of the baseball team, he was deeply disappointed to lose to the Navy. In 1908 he was made Baseball Representative on the Athletic Council.

Upon graduation Abbot was assigned to the Artillery Corps. His first duty was with the 20th Field Artillery Battery at Fort Riley, where he stayed until 1904. He was then ordered to West Point as an instructor in modern languages. During this period he had married. His bride was a charming Vassar student, Helene Black, daughter of General John C. Black, at that time Civil Service Commissioner in Washington, and who in 1894 had delivered the address to the graduating class at West Point.

When the Artillery Corps was divided into



two branches, Abbot was enjoying his first independent command at Fort Hunt, on the Potomac River. He had had assignments at several different posts: Sandy Hook, N. J., Fort Rosecrans, and Fort Reno, Okla. At Fort Rosecrans he had service with a mine company. While in command at Fort Hunt it was discovered that he was suffering from a pulmonary disability which became so serious that in April 1911 he was ordered before a retiring board and shortly thereafter terminated his active duty in the Army, although he was recalled to active duty several times in later national emergencies.

Then began a search for a home that would be climatically suited to enable him to recover from the condition that was threatening him. Colorado seemed to offer an answer, so Abbot took his wife and small daughter to Canon City, Colo. Abbot was never the kind to sit idly doing nothing, and as he began to recover his normal health he interested himself in the problem of the care of the Indians. He was given a position as Superintendent of the Southern Utes with headquarters at Ignacio, not far from the "four corners," the only place where one can stand in four of the states at one time. He grew very unhappy in this situation, feeling that the Administration of Indian Affairs was

a long way from giving the Indians of that region a square deal.

Abbot and his wife, after a visit at his old home in Illinois, went to Boulder, Colo., where he spent the winter studying law, to follow the chosen profession of his father. Association with the members of the fine law faculty of the University and access to the law library confirmed his intention of following the law, and his studies took on a serious aspect.

Having in mind the building of a home in the high western mountain country which he had found favorable to his health, Abbot traveled over the mountains into the north-east part of Utah to make a study of the lands of that region. Pleased with what he saw there, he purchased several Indian allotments under the then policy of the Interior Department, which permitted the sale of certain acreages to the highest bidder. Unparalleled water rights were included with the title to the land, forecasting unlimited possibilities in any form of agriculture he might choose to pursue.

Army activity was increasing during 1914 due to the situations in Mexico and in Europe. In May, Abbot was assigned as Acting Quartermaster at Fort Meade. Here he found time to continue his law studies in addition to taking care of his military duties, and before the end of that year he was admitted to the practice of law in South Dakota. The detail ended at about that time and on returning to Utah he was soon admitted to practice in that state. Some time later, while residing in California, he was admitted to the practice of law in that state.

After the termination of his assignment at Fort Meade, Abbot bent his energies to the making of a home for his family on the banks of the Duchesne River near the town of Randlett in Uintah County. Over the years, despite several rather long absences, he made many improvements to his property, including a residence for the lessee and the necessary buildings for all his animals. The acreage that the Abbots chose for their home was just about where it was originally intended that Fort Duchesne should have been. Rather soon after the Meeker massacre, troops had been sent over the mountains from the north with instructions to establish an army post below the junction of the Duchesne and Uintah Rivers. However, because of the lack of dependable maps of the region, and their ignorance of the streams of that wild country, they mistook the intended spot and located the garrison about 10 miles farther north. As a military outpost, Fort Duchesne had the reputation with the Cavalry of being a very remote and unpopular post, but the Abbots liked their setting, midway between two trading posts of the Ute tribe. There were no roads, no fences, and during the first six months of their occupancy of their chosen home spot, no other white men intruded upon the Indians in their teepees and wickiups.

The original trail of red men, explorers and trappers leading to old Fort Roubidoux crossed the stream at a ford which later gave practical significance to the name "Abbotsford," which the Abbots chose for their home. This choice moreover, won the approval of a person well qualified to grasp its true meaning. During a sojourn in Salt Lake City, the Abbots had made the acquaintance of Mr. Frederick Dellenbaugh, who was a member of the first party of the famous Powell expe-

dition, when in 1870 a frail craft carrying a handful of intrepid men, made the first voyage from Green River, Wyo., down the canyon of the Colorado River.

Abbot was chairman of a committee that dedicated a monument at the site where Father Escalante and his band, searching for a route from Sante Fe, N. M., to Monterey, Cal., had crossed the Green River just west of the present Colorado-Utah line. The Abbots' home is not far from the national monument where the wonderful find of dinosaur remains is located. This entire region of north-eastern Utah is rich in mineral resources. The most lively explorations have been made in recent years for the minerals involved in the atomic energy program. The search for oil and gas has gone on apace, with many wells encouraging the petroleum industry to continue their search, but with no great production as yet as oil is found at depths of 6000 feet more or less. Some of the vast deposits of oil shale exist in this region, to supplement our diminishing supply of liquid fuels at some future date. All of this is a region but little known to the general public but containing vast mineral resources and wonderful opportunities for development of hydro-electric power. This, as a matter of fact, is progressing now. The Bureau of Reclamation is building the \$70,000,000 dam and power plant in the "Flaming Gorge" canyon of the Green River a short distance from the Wyoming-Utah line, and from the home of the Abbots.

These varied interests and the care, through lessees, of 320 acres of land plus 11 old Indian allotments and three farms in Illinois, occupied Abbot to the full. He liked the life and prospered by it, as he lived through a half century since the threat to his life which was the cause of his leaving the Service. In their adopted Utah both Abbot and his loyal wife played active parts in many spheres of public services. These various enterprises bound him to those among whom he lived and worked for nearly half a century. Indeed from the outset there existed a mutual regard and respect between Stephen Abbot and his associates at all levels.

Stephen was always a man of strong principles, resolute and unbending. It would be hard to find a man with more definite views as to what is right and what is wrong in this life, and with more strength and valiance in adhering to them. During a long life the ups and downs were many, sometimes hard to take, but he met them all with the same courage, patience and steadfastness that were his own. He always had a deep interest in national and international affairs. His correspondence has always been full of the expression of sound views, and it has been the feeling of some of his correspondents that he should have been enabled to play a part in molding the affairs of state.

Throughout his life, since the days when, as a plebe with his name at the top of the alphabetical list of new cadets, he was section marcher, Abbot has been held in high regard among his classmates, and it is no secret that in his adopted state of Utah, he and his charming and capable wife have played an active part in many affairs of public interest. He has left behind him a world of friends and admirers and his classmates will never forget his sterling qualities.

Late in the summer of 1961, while he was still lingering at Fitzsimons, Abbot's only daughter, Helene, and her husband, took their three children to view the plaques in

the cadet gymnasium which honor the wearers of the "A," in the Classes of 1897 and 1902, tangible evidence of part of the fine heritage that Abbot left to his grandchildren.

Abbot's life is well illustrated by one of the sayings of that great Roman Emperor, soldier, and philosopher, Marcus Aurelius:

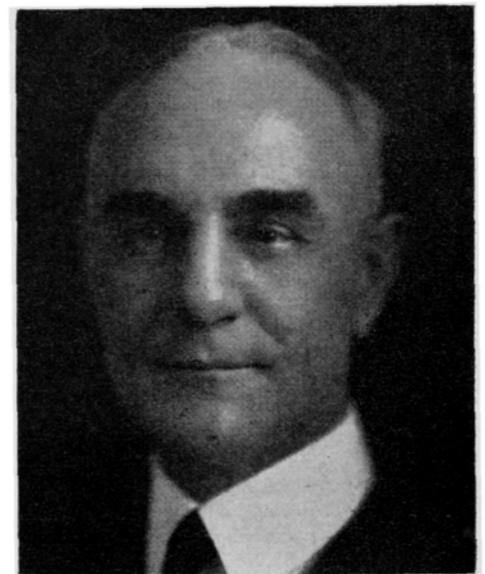
"Be like the promontory against which the waves continually break, but it stands firm and tames the fury of the water around it."

—F. F. Longley

Anton Caesar Cron

EX-CADET OF 1903

Died 10 June 1961 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., aged 82 years.



ANTON C. CRON, ex-1903, passed away at Walter Reed General Hospital on 10 June 1961. He had been in poor health since retirement in 1939 for physical disability incident to active service.

Born in Milwaukee, Wis., in 1878, he moved to Manistee, Mich., at an early age, where he lived until his admission to Bethel Military Academy, Warrenton, Va., in 1898. He was appointed to the USMA from Michigan and entered in July 1899 with the Class of 1903. Discharged for deficiency in mathematics in January 1901, he enlisted as a private in the 27th Inf at Plattsburg Barracks the following July, and served as corporal, sergeant and battalion sergeant major in that regiment until discharged at Fort Sheridan, Ill., in June 1904 to accept a commission as 2d lieutenant, Infantry, US Army.

During his service in the 27th Inf he participated in the following campaigns and engagements in the Philippines (1902): Baldwin's Lake Lanao Expedition; Pershing's Expedition against the Moros; capture of Forts Butig, Ganan and Bayabes; and Pershing's Expedition against Maciu.

As a new 2d lieutenant he joined the 10th Inf at Fort George Wright, Wash., where he met and was married to Nina

Rosamond Nash, daughter of Judge Lucius B. Nash of Spokane, Wash. In 1911, after service with the 10th Inf in Alaska (1906-08) and Fort Benjamin Harrison (1908-11), he was detailed as PMS&T at Michigan Agricultural College for two years.

He rejoined the 10th Inf at Camp Otis, Canal Zone, in 1913 for a tour of four years, returning to the States for assignment to the 11th Inf at Camp H. J. Jones, Douglas, Ariz., in 1917. In June 1918 he sailed for France with the 83d Div. During WW I he served in France with the 330th Inf, 83d Div; 28th Inf, 1st Div; 104th Inf, 26th Div; and 11th Inf, 5th Div; and participated in the offensives at St. Mihiel and the Meuse-Argonne. He was promoted to lieutenant colonel (temporary) in September 1918.

Returning to the States in July 1918, Colonel Cron was detailed as PMS&T at the Univ. of Montana at Missoula until relieved to attend the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., in September 1921. Next he graduated from the C&GS School at Fort Leavenworth in 1923 and was assigned to the Tank School, Franklin Cantonment, Camp Meade, Md., as Senior Instructor and Assistant Commandant until August 1925.

Following graduation from the Army War College in 1926 he was assigned to the 18th Inf, 1st Div, with station at Fort Schuyler, N. Y. as commanding officer. He returned to Washington in 1927 for duty on the War Department General Staff, G-4 Division, for four years and then was transferred to the Hawaiian Division at Schofield Barracks for a three year tour (1931-34), during which he was Executive Officer, 27th Inf and Division Provost Marshal. Back in the States for duty with the Organized Reserves, 79th Div, in Philadelphia, he was promoted to Colonel Infantry RA in 1935. His last tour of active duty was a Commander, Southern District CCC, Richmond, Va., from 1935 until he was retired for disability incident to active duty on 31 October 1939.

He lived at 3302 McKinley St. NW, Washington, D. C., from that date until his death after prolonged illness on 10 June 1961. Interment was at Arlington National Cemetery next to his wife, who had died in 1947. He is survived by three sons: Frederick W., Lucius N. (USMA '31), and Robert N. Cron.

—Lucius N. Cron
Colonel, USA (Ret)

John Randolph Peyton

EX-CADET OF 1907

Died 7 October 1961 at Jacksonville, Florida,
aged 78 years.

THE ONLY SON of Dr. John Calhoun Peyton and Mrs. Eliza Myers Peyton, John Randolph Peyton was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., on 5 June 1883. The family moved to Florida early in his childhood and John Randolph grew up on the banks of the St. Johns River in the vicinity of Palatka. He entered the US Military Academy with the Class of 1907, but became a member of the Class of 1908 upon its entrance to the Academy in

June 1904. Thus he spent the major years of his cadet life with the Class of 1908, of which he was a valued and devoted member throughout his life. Coming from Florida he was soon dubbed "Alligator" by his fellow plebes. A well-rounded cadet, he was particularly interested in horsemanship. This led to a tragic fall from a horse only three weeks before he was scheduled to be graduated in early 1908. The accident led to the loss of one leg which prevented his graduation and commissioning with his class. Later, however, by special Act of Congress he was commissioned a second lieutenant of Infantry on 2 April 1909 and was retired on the same date for disability.

Returning to Florida he entered the employment of the Jacksonville District of the Corps of Engineers on 13 May 1909. From that date on he had an outstanding career with the Corps of Engineers which was unbroken until his retirement after 43 years of service on 31 May 1952.

Mr. Peyton's specialty with the Corps of Engineers was in dredges and dredging and he became a recognized authority on these



subjects on a nation-wide basis. He rose rapidly through the various grades as a civilian engineer and was for many years the senior civilian engineer of the Jacksonville District.

Mr. Peyton played a very active part in the development of most of the major navigation projects in Florida including the deepening and improvement of the St. Johns River and the entrance channels at Fort Pierce Harbor, Palm Beach Harbor, Miami Harbor, Charlotte Harbor, and Tampa Harbor. The Intracoastal Waterway from Jacksonville to Miami was constructed under his direction and the original Hoover Dike around Lake Okeechobee was built following the tragic hurricanes of 1926 and 1928 under Mr. Peyton's direct supervision.

John Randolph Peyton was a man of strong individuality and vigorous action. A very positive and somewhat gruff outward appearance covered up one of the kindest and most compassionate of characters. Many co-workers in the Jacksonville District will recall that in times of family illness or hardship of any type, "the old man" was the first to come forward with sympathy and assistance. Perhaps the word "dedication" best exemplifies his character. His dedication to the Army, to the Corps of Engineers, and to the Jacksonville District was some-

thing to behold and woe be it to anyone who showed any tendency whatsoever in the other direction.

Mr. Peyton never forgot his West Point heritage and his love for the Point never diminished over the years. In the summer of 1958 he attended his 50th class reunion and had frequently stated his intention to be back in 1963 for the 55th reunion. Through the years with the Corps of Engineers he served with many Academy graduates and derived great pleasure from their friendship, particularly when he could find an "old timer" from his days at the Point.

Apparently on the mend after a lengthy illness Mr. Peyton suffered a stroke and passed away in the Jacksonville Naval Air Station hospital on 7 October 1961. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mildred A. Peyton. It was particularly appropriate that the Episcopal Burial Service was conducted by the Reverend Canon Maurice M. Benitez (USMA '49) of St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville. Canon Benitez paid tribute to Mr. Peyton as an outstanding exemplification of the spirit of the United States Military Academy.

William Jay Fitzmaurice

NO. 4682

CLASS OF 1908

Died 10 January 1961 at Tucson, Arizona,
aged 75 years.

THE CLASS OF 1908 lost one of its most beloved members, a devoted son of West Point, when, on 10 January 1961, the Angel of Death beckoned and William Jay Fitzmaurice was promoted to the ranks of the Long Gray Line.

Fitz was born at Fremont, Ohio, 26 July 1885, the son of Michael J. and Elizabeth E. Sullivan Fitzmaurice. The family moved to Bucyrus, Ohio, where Fitz received his grammar and high school education. He entered the Academy with his class on 16 June 1904.

It was the privilege of this writer to have Fitz as roommate during two of our cadet years. Living three in a room in the old 6th Division, we had as third roommate another beloved member of 1908, "Señor" Ernest Grove Cullum, also of Ohio. The affectionate regard in which this writer has held both these roommates has persisted a lifetime. Many a pleasurable moment was spent by Fitz and this writer, in those days, listening to the mimicry of "Señor" Cullum as he recounted the idiosyncrasies of the notable tacs and instructors of our period.

Of Cadet Fitzmaurice, the 1908 HOWITZER said, "This happy-faced son of the Emerald Isle no sooner hit West Point than he proceeded to make the old place cheerful by that all-conquering smile which so justly won for him the title of 'the fascinating Mr. Fitzmaurice'." His forte, reported the HOWITZER, was philosophy, and he could assign a reason for anything that had happened or would or might happen. Further, the HOWITZER reported, "In politics this peculiar Republican is 'gin the government' and the Com." Be that as it may, certainly the "all-conquering smile" remained with him through life. His constant friendliness won for him, in turn, through the years, the deep regard and friend-

liness of a host of friends, in and out of the Service.

Graduating on 14 February, St. Valentine's Day, 1908, and receiving his diploma in Cullum Hall at the hands of a fellow Ohioan, William Howard Taft, Fitzmaurice was commissioned second lieutenant of Infantry and assigned to the 10th Inf, at Fort W. H. Seward, Alaska. With that regiment he served in Alaska, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., with the so-called "Maneuver Division" at San Antonio in 1911, and in the Panama Canal Zone at Camp E.S. Otis. From the outset, he won high praise from his various superiors for his high professional zeal, his general bearing, his attention to duty, his intelligence and judgment, his mental and moral worth, his courtesy to and consideration of enlisted men. He was rated "most thorough and painstaking." His early regimental commander reported him a very promising young officer of agreeable presence and exemplary habits, energetic and efficient. Similar encomiums from a succession of superiors followed him throughout his Army career. His first promotion, to first lieutenant, came 20 June 1914.

In early 1915, Fitz was transferred to the 23d Inf, at Texas City, Tex. In April he was at Houston as umpire in the 2d Div maneuvers. Subsequent service took him successively to a wide variety of assignments during the following years: PMS&T at Kemper Military School in Missouri; Assistant Mustering Officer at Grayling, Mich.; Assistant PMS&T at the University of Wisconsin; brief duty with the 36th Inf at Fort Snelling, Minn.; at Milwaukee examining applicants for Training Camp; instructor at the Second Training Camp. While PMS&T at Kemper Military School, he was instrumental in installing an honor system at that institution, an achievement in which he took great—and justifiable—pride. In December 1917 he was assigned to the 52d Inf at Chickamauga Park, Ga., and in early 1918 he organized and commanded the 17th MG Bn. In the meantime he had been promoted to captain, 5 April 1917; to major in the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps, 15 January 1918; and to temporary major in the Infantry, 24 January 1918.

Turning to aviation, he took the flying course at Rockwell Field, Calif., and became a Junior Military Aviator 31 May 1918. Followed successive tours of duty: Executive Officer, Operations Section, Air Service, at Washington; duty in The Adjutant General's Office; a month as student at the Army War College staff class, completed 6 November 1918; Assistant Chief of Staff (Operations), 12th Div, Camp Devens, Mass.; with the Personnel Branch, General Staff. In midsummer 1919, he was transferred to Europe, at Givres, France, commanding a Provisional Guard Regiment; then with the Occupation Forces at Coblenz, Germany, assigned to the 8th Inf. Here he met with a personal catastrophe, altering the course of his life. While coaching a soldier at target practice, the soldier's rifle exploded and Fitz suffered the loss of an eye. Nevertheless, he continued on active duty, transferred back to the United States, where, at Camp Funston, Kan., he commanded the 56th Inf and later the 19th MG Bn.

Promoted to permanent major, 1 July 1920, Fitz was transferred to the Air Service 11 August of that year, serving at the Aviation General Supply Depot, Little Rock, Ark., and later—his last active duty—as commander of the Aviation Repair Depot at Montgomery,

Ala. He was retired for physical disability, as major, 24 August 1922.

Thus ended a career, brief in number of years but rich in the wide variety of duties capably performed, praised in high terms by a succession of superiors. One wrote of him, "A loyal, energetic, enthusiastic officer, devoted to his profession and well versed in same. I have never known a better and few as good." Other characterizations, by other commanders, termed him cheerful, thoroughly reliable, efficient, strict and painstaking in performance of duty, willing, loyal, zealous, with the interest of the Service at his heart, "one of the most efficient officers I ever served with." He received strong letters of appreciation, for his services under them, from Maj. Gen. W. L. Kenly, Director, War Department Division of Aeronautics; and Maj. Gen. H. P. McCain, 12th Div commander.

Upon retirement, Fitz made his home at Los Angeles. In 1923, he entered into business for a year as a realtor, in the firm of Hohl and Fitzmaurice. In 1926 he became a special investigator for the city of Los



Angeles, relative to charitable solicitations. In 1927 he drafted the city ordinance requiring filing of a "Notice of Intent to Solicit," with investigation following as to whether the funds were to be actually for the charity or for the benefit of promoters and racketeers. This cut into the underworld's profits, and Fitz's life was threatened several times. But the ordinance is still in effect today.

Fitz was a world-wide traveler. Because of eye and nerve strain from his work, he took an 8-month leave in 1928, traveling in Europe. With increasingly bad health, he finally resigned his position with the city in 1933. During these years he had taken an active interest and part in the Hollywood American Legion. He was intensely interested in his Class of 1908 and never missed an opportunity to attend a class reunion. In June 1938, going immediately from the 30th Anniversary Reunion, he took a trip around the world, returning to California in late 1939 and establishing residence at Altadena, in suburban Los Angeles. For a number of years he suffered from asthma, making it impossible to continue his travels; and with it he developed a heart condition. From 1954 on, he lived for short trial periods in various places—at Chapala, Mexico, and at places in California—in search of a more healthful climate. Notwithstanding the hardship of

travel for him, he was among the 20 faithful members of 1908 to journey to West Point for our 50th Anniversary Reunion. This trip, his sister reported, was a long-planned-for goal and probably gave him the greatest satisfaction and happiest moments of his later life.

Fitz never married. But he was a devoted member of his family, in which he apparently rated "tops." His younger brother, James M. Fitzmaurice, USMA 1923, a retired Air Force brigadier general, writes that it would be hard to overemphasize his brother Jay's qualities of character. "He was the rock of our family... the primary influence, always for good, in every major activity of my family's life from the time of graduation in 1908."

After the 1958 Reunion trip to West Point, Fitz's health grew worse and, under the doctor's orders, he moved to the drier climate at Tucson. In January 1960, there began a decline in strength and an increase of suffering which terminated in his death a year later, after only seven days' confinement to bed. From 1940 on, his life was one of continuous illness which would have overwhelmed one of weaker character. He had a keen sense of humor and was intensely patriotic. He loved to converse about West Point, the Army, the Air Force, aviation, politics, and other current interests. He was strongly anti-internationalist, anti-pacifist, anti-prohibition (although he rarely took a drink, himself, even at social affairs). Temperate in habits, he was generous to family and friends, but frugal as to himself. Writes his sister, Mary, "Jay was loved by all who knew him, as he was ever thoughtful, kind and gentle. Children loved and respected him." By her, who lived with and knew him, who took loving care of him during his last years and final illness, we are told of the splendid traits of character which marked his life—sincerity, honesty, loyalty, frankness, directness, generosity, consideration, intelligence, foresight, imagination, persistence, courage, thoroughness, energy. What a splendid record to leave behind!

At his own request, his ashes were flown and scattered over the desert, the Saguaro National Monument, 17 miles east of Tucson, following simple but beautiful last rites at plane-side at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base at Tucson, Monday, 29 May 1961. A beautiful, sunny day, with the beautiful saguaros of the desert then in bloom. So we come to the parting of the ways, to the saying of "Hail and Farewell!" to a beloved friend and comrade, to a splendid patriot and soldier, to a son of West Point whose life was devoted to "Duty, Honor, Country" and to the America he loved and served so well.

—J.W.N.S.

John Louis Homer

NO. 5007 CLASS OF 1911

Died 27 September 1961 at Chicago, Illinois,
aged 73 years.

TO THOSE MEMBERS of the Class of 1911 who attended their 50th reunion at West Point last June the news of the death of Jack

Homer less than four months later must have come as a real shock.

For, as Curtis Nance expressed it, Jack, with his boater tilted at just the right angle, was still the handsome debonair fellow that strolled down Broadway 50 years ago to attend our graduation show, "The Pink Lady."

Lukemia struck suddenly and ended the career of a man who had distinguished himself as a soldier and as a citizen.

General Homer during his military career showed ability as a staff officer but his forte was in command. During World War I he commanded a battery of artillery in the combat zone for 15 months. In World War II he rapidly rose to the grade of major general, no mean achievement at that period for an officer of the Coast Artillery Corps. His final command before retirement in 1950 was the Guided Missile Branch of the Artillery School, Fort Bliss, Texas. He was awarded the Army Commendation Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Mexican Military Medal, first class, and the Chilean Order Al Merito.

After retirement from the Army he took up residence in Chicago where he served as Executive to the Director of Civil Defense of the State of Illinois under Governors Stevenson and Stratton, and was appointed Director of Civil Defense early in 1961 by Governor Kerner. His work for the Nation and his state won for him the degree of LLD from Blackburn College of Carlinville, Ill., which he had attended for three years before entering West Point. Possibly he cherished this honor above all others.

As expressed in the press of Chicago, Carlinville, El Paso and various other localities the country had lost a valued servant. But to the members of the Class of 1911 and his host of other friends the loss was that of a man they loved.

My memories go back to Beast Barracks when I was forlorn and homesick and marveled at this boy from Illinois who seemed to revel in all the hell "Skag" Williams and the other first classman in charge of us could dish out.

During his four years as a cadet, Jack studied just enough to keep from being found, and his greatest pride at graduation next to winning the "A" at football seemed to lie in the fact that throughout his cadet career he had always been a clean sleeve.

For the first 10 years of our commissioned service it was my good fortune twice to serve with Jack. I found him still to be a lovable carefree companion who seemed not to have matured to a point where personal ambition meant anything in his life.

Franklin Kemble was very close to Homer when they served as tacs at West Point in the early twenties. In a letter to me after Jack's death, he commented on the latter's keen wit, his ability to tell a good story, his thorough understanding of human nature, and his integrity. Said Kemble: "His friends were many and the close ones were close indeed." But at this time his dearest friend could hardly have hoped that he would attain the successes that were to come to him.

Then came a great change in this soldier's life. In September 1921 he married Miss Olive Kennedy of New York City. She was to prove a close companion, a wise counsellor and, a wife completely devoted to her husband's advancement until her death in April 1959. It is with pride that I recall

having been best man at so successful a marriage.

Impelled onward by a wife who had such faith in him Jack acquired a deep sense of responsibility and the ambition so essential to the attainment of success. From then on he was a man whose abilities as a leader grew with the responsibilities placed upon him. The years 1929 to 1935 were importantly formative ones in his life. During these years he acted as the regular army instructor with the 202d Regt (AA) of the Illinois National Guard which was stationed in Chicago. It was my good fortune to have this regiment as an element of an AA brigade I commanded in World War II. It was a crack organization and the older officers still talked of General Homer with admiration and affection. Its commander, Colonel (later General) Charles C. Dawes, a fine citizen-soldier, was to remain one of General Homer's closest friends to the day of the latter's death.

It was during this stage of his career that General Homer became closely associated with the then Colonel George C. Marshall,



senior instructor with the Illinois National Guard. Homer recognized the sterling qualities of that great soldier and, I firmly believe tried to emulate him. General Marshall formed a high opinion of Homer's abilities which undoubtedly had much to do with Jack's rapid promotion to the grade of major general when General Marshall became Chief of Staff.

I believe that during this period of his service he built up a reputation with the leading citizens of Chicago that had much to do with his civil defense appointments after his retirement.

When I say that this was a very sentimental man it will surprise many who knew him. For I have known few people who strove with such success to cover up their emotions. I recall a letter that he wrote to me in 1940 when I was commanding an antiaircraft regiment in San Francisco. A bad fire had destroyed much of the equipment of the antiaircraft regiment which Homer commanded at Fort Sheridan, Ill. In the midst of a very thorough investigation which threatened his future he had written a complete set of instructions for me to follow in order that I might avoid the misfortune that had befallen him. Most men at such a time would have been thinking of

themselves; this man was thinking of his friend who was also a rival for promotion.

During our last four days together at West Point in June, affection for every one of his classmates was very evident. There was no effort to conceal the grief he still felt over the loss of Olive. He spoke feelingly of his sisters, Miss Katherine M. Homer and Mrs. Thomas Ryan of Carlinville, Ill., and of his plans to see them as often as possible in the years to come. For with Olive gone he felt a great need for their love and companionship.

Every ceremony we attended at West Point was an emotional experience that seemed to thrill him. And when I was saying goodbye for the last time at the air terminal in New York City he was to say: "I loved every minute of my life as a cadet, even Beast Barracks."

Then came a letter from an officer of the old 202d of Chicago. Jack was in the hospital, but regaled all his visitors with stories of the reunion at West Point. And on his dresser was displayed the group picture of the class taken on the steps of the old chapel. He will be sorely missed at future reunions.

John Louis Homer is lying beside the wife he loved so well in a lovely spot of the cemetery at West Point. God rest their souls.

—J. B. Crawford '11

John Arthur Considine

NO. 5161

CLASS OF 1913

Died 21 August 1960 at Sonoma, California,
aged 71 years.

THERE HAS FALLEN to my lot the proud task of writing of Jack Considine — roommate, loyal and devoted friend, brave soldier and gallant officer.

It is well known to all cadets and former cadets that no man becomes so aware of the character and capacities of another as does that man's roommate — and this is doubly true in the case of a long-lasting relationship. So it was with Jack and me; we roomed together for nearly three years, in good weather and foul, in periods of elation and of despondence. We knew each other's ambitions, and we knew of the courage that could be confidently expected, each in defense of the other. That, I think, is one of the principal virtues of cadet life.

So it was that I knew Jack better than did almost anyone else. He had but one fault, if fault it was: he was under a life-long compulsion to stand by his convictions even to the extent of running afoul of those who were in position to harm his career.

Colonel John A. Considine was born in Chicago, Ill., on 10 March 1889, the son of Thomas J. and Mildred Considine. He attended Stanford University briefly prior to his appointment to the US Military Academy by Congressman Francis Burton Harrison of District 16, New York. He entered the Academy on 1 March 1909 and graduated on 12 June 1913.

While a cadet he displayed those magnificent qualities of honesty, intelligence, loyalty and patriotism which characterized

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him throughout life. Kind and generous to a fault on most occasions, he was quick to display indignant resentment in the face of injustice — and he was not slow to express himself in physical combat to the offender's great chagrin and discomfort. And with it all he possessed a keen sense of the humorous side of life.

There is not space here to permit me to go into a detailed discussion of his military career; to touch the high points must be sufficient.

Upon graduation on 12 June 1913, he was promoted to the grade of second lieutenant, 6th Cav, at Texas City, Tex. There he remained until, with his regiment, he entered Mexico in the Expeditionary Force. Returning, he was sent to the Big Bend District of Texas, a section of the border where he spent, at one time or another, a considerable part of his military career.

Not all of it, however; nor was most of it in the grade of second lieutenant.

As proof of his worth and the diversity of his skills, it is only necessary to list some of his duties: Deputy Chief Requisition Officer in Paris, France, following World War I; District Intelligence Officer in Big Bend District of Texas; Instructor of English and History, USMA; Student Officer, Advanced Class, Cavalry School; Student Officer, Command and General Staff School; General Staff Corps Eligible List; Instructor, Command and General Staff School; duty in the Office of the Chief of Cavalry; again Instructor, Command and General Staff School; Military Attaché, Ascuncion, Paraguay.

In addition, he spent six years in Guatemala. These six years were probably as fruitful as any like period of his military career; certainly, they were for him the most enjoyable. This service began when, on 8 April 1930, he was detailed as the first Chief of the US Military Mission and Instructor, Guatemalan Army, by President Herbert Hoover under the President's newly-initiated "Good Neighbor" policy. There Colonel Considine spent six engrossing years, becoming adviser and confidant of the President, General Jorge Ubico, at whose request he revamped along the lines of West Point the Escuela Politecnica, Guatemala's military academy. He was appointed Brigadier General of the Guatemalan Army, and Commandant of the Escuela Politecnica by General Ubico.

Shortly before World War II, Colonel Considine was assigned to command the 6th Cav at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., which organization he hoped to lead in the approaching conflict. Instead, he was ordered to Australia, where he was assigned to the staff of General MacArthur. Being attached to Australian troops, he participated in the campaign in the Owen Stanley mountains in New Guinea, during which he underwent great physical hardships which resulted eventually in his retirement for pernicious anemia.

A notable achievement while commanding the 6th Cav occurred when Colonel Considine received and tested a number of the first jeeps received by the Army. He personally drove these vehicles over every type of road and terrain, and caused the manufacturers to change in many details the design of these vehicles. As a result of these changes, the jeep became a versatile vehicle of war and peace, and remains to this day a memorial to the genius of this man.

Almost every man has a hobby. Jack was

an ardent gun-collector and hunter. His prowess with the gun took him early in life to the northern wilds in search of bear and moose. While on a tour of duty in the Philippines, he went to French Indo-China, Borneo and Java in search of big game. There, many of the largest and fiercest animals fell before his expert shooting. In 1919 he was sent as a member of the American Pistol Team to compete in the international matches in Paris.

Invalided home following his service in New Guinea, he was sent as Military Attaché to Paraguay. This assignment was cut short when a detached retina, a delayed result of an ammunition blast in New Guinea, sent him to Walter Reed Hospital for an operation. After duty at Fort Mason, San Francisco, he was retired for physical disability on 30 April 1947.

This long list of assignments speaks more forcefully of his military ability than could any words of mine. Brave, intelligent, loyal, he was imaginative, a first-rate disciplinarian, as quick to praise as he was to rebuke; he had that rare quality of winning the com-



plete love and admiration of those with whom he served.

That was John Arthur Considine, the beau ideal of a Cavalry officer.

But it is not of Colonel Considine of whom I would speak so much as of my friend, Jack Considine, the human being. While we were roommates we had the usual quota of disagreements and even of unreasoning quarrels; but always, sooner or later, good sense intervened to bring us back to the true value of friendship. His father and uncle were infrequent visitors. Their conversations with him were packed with wise and wholesome principles, from which I learned many a bit of good sense. So the years flowed by.

Jack was no "specoid"; he did well in his studies without making too great an effort. His native intelligence and good humor helped him to maintain a creditable record; he could have made a better scholastic record had he not had so much interest in other matters.

We saw each other at Texas City, Tex., where he was second lieutenant, 6th Cav, and I was second lieutenant, 26th Inf. Soon I resigned and did not see him again until, in July 1916, I was passing through the Big Bend District on my way to Fort Bliss. On that occasion he woke me at about 2:00

o'clock at night, as full of enthusiasm and the joy of life as he had been as a cadet. Then no further meeting with him until he and his family visited Laura and me at our home in South Carolina during the New Deal days. He was looking for a place to retire when retirement should come his way. There followed several visits from them. One cold evening while he was in the Carolina maneuver area he drove in for a bath and supper. His careful attention to his orderly and driver, his care to make them feel at home, and his concern for their comfort impressed Laura and illustrated to me why his men were so loyally devoted to him. A few days later he was in the South Pacific.

Early in the 1950's Laura, our daughter Elizabeth, and her husband, and I had a delightful day with Eloise and Jack and their two sons at their home at Sonoma, Cal. It was grand to be with them; their hospitality, the warmth of our welcome and the lovely locale of their home entranced us. In June 1958, Eloise, Jack, and their son Mike, spent nearly a week with us at our home in Columbia. It was a true reunion. We picked up where we had left off several years before — no fuss and feathers, but a true and simple friendship. Not again will there be such a friend, whom I loved as if he were my own brother.

I cannot close this account without referring to his family: to his father and uncle whom I knew on the occasions of their visits to Jack at West Point; to his mother and father who so warmly entertained Laura and me on our trip, as a young married couple, to our first post in Alaska; to his first wife, Connie, and their two lovely daughters who visited us at our farm home in South Carolina; and lastly, but by no means least, to his widow, Eloise, and their two sons, John and Mike.

—Wyndham M. Manning

Clinton Wilbur Howard

NO. 5342 CLASS OF 1915

Died 22 September 1949 at Sacramento, California, aged 58 years.

" for you have been long gone, my lord, And we have sorely missed you."

THE RECORD CITES 27 November 1890 as the date of birth. He was christened Clinton Wilbur Howard, the only child of Ernest and Ida (Legge) Howard of Campello, Mass. Here, at Cape Cod, he spent his boyhood, later graduating from Brockton High School, and a graduate of Clarke College in Worcester in 1910. He was a studious and serious-minded boy; and we suspect that these erudite years were basic to his later curriculum at West Point and to the distinction of the adult role for which he was destined.

We liked the guy when he came quietly into our midst. We called him "Jan." The name became him well. For even as Janus, the god of gates and doors and hence of all beginnings, so also our Jan, the preceptor, the man of ideas and daring, whose concepts so often outran his contemporaries and pres-

aged the achievements he was to attain. Truly the instincts of our fellows unerringly anticipate the latency of talent within us; and destiny infallibly rules the accounting of our stewardship. Here was an irrepressible soul, a man ever inspired by a sense of urgency, never content with the "status quo ante" but eager always to challenge mediocrity at its source and to accomplish the purported impossible for the glory of purpose and the sheer pride of attainment.

Jan was early married to Lois Pool of Ardmore, Pa., and later, in 1933, to Helen M. Fischer at Dayton, Ohio. His widow, his son Clinton W., Jr., and his daughter Holly survive him.

Jan stood well in his class and elected the Field Artillery upon graduation. But his thoughts were of the skies and in 1917 he sought a detail to the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps. Thus began the illustrious era of his life, an era which was to carry him through two world wars and bring conspicuous recognition of his vision and accomplishments. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology awarded him a Master's Degree in Science in 1922,



and in 1923 the same institution conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Science. Thus he became one of only three officers of the Air Corps to hold this degree, in company with Leslie MacDill and the colorful Jimmie Doolittle. Little wonder that in later years the Air Corps saw fit to assign him as chief engineer of the Materiel Division at Wright Field in Dayton. Little wonder that he enjoyed wide membership in intellectual and technical societies, notably the American Society for Testing and Materials, the Institute of Aeronautical Science for Aircraft and Engine Development, the Society of Automotive Engineers, and the Kappa Phi fraternity. And little wonder that he was the engineering genius who conceived and pushed to completion the plans for a huge, secret bomber aircraft despite the determined opposition of numerous service superiors. It is to men such as these, men of courage and conviction and vision far beyond their years, that the Air Force owes its state in being today. Yet the friendliness and modesty of this man were characteristic. Perhaps we can pay him no higher tribute than to attest the generous self-effacement which always insured that a deserving subordinate was appropriately credited for an original idea.

Possibly because he possessed them to so marked a degree, it is difficult to dissect the

many qualities which combined to make the man, nor to analyze them except in the light of the many facets which illumined his character. "Of many strands the fabric of life is woven." Industry and vision and honesty and forthrightness—these were his in eminent measure. And faith! faith to believe in self, faith to believe in destiny, faith to believe in the reality of accomplishment! No pretense, no sham, no dissembling—just Jan. Add courage and incorruptibility and native honesty and you have the man, with two attributes starkly etched against the background: the ability to translate vision into aspiration, and aspiration into reality.

I like to think of this stalwart fellow looking skyward toward the goal of his dreams, watching the night coming into unclouded view one star at a time until the wide panoply of heaven is peopled with lights—twinkling lights, moving lights, aircraft lights, the lights of a vast celestial harmony in a promised world to be. And who shall say where the ray of a star leaves off and the pulse of a heartbeat begins?

"...into the night, and on,
The strength and splendor of
our purpose swings."

—J. E. H. '15

Albert Whitney Waldron

NO. 5344 CLASS OF 1915

Died 21 June 1961 at Letterman General Hospital,
San Francisco, California, aged 69 years.

TO PAY TRIBUTE to our much loved friend and classmate, Albert Whitney Waldron, Major General, United States Army, Retired, USMA 1915, is an almost impossible task. What we know of his greatness is far too much to describe; and what he treasured deep within himself we shall never know. He was unassuming yet resourceful; diffident yet courageous; self-effacing yet always present to lend a helping hand. From the time, following graduation, when he swam the Rio Grande to rescue some of his soldiers, through the 1st Division's battles of World War I, to the day in World War II when he was wounded leading his division in the attack on Buna in New Guinea, he exemplified all the qualities which a military leader should possess.

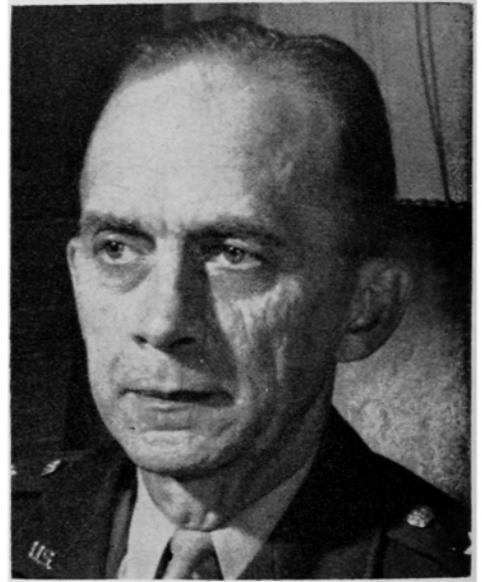
To his less spectacular staff service—in the Office of the Chief of Field Artillery, on the War Department General Staff and with the Army Ground Forces after he was wounded—he brought an ability to solve the unusual problem or to look far into the future which, in its field, equalled his combat leadership. Yet he counted it a blessing when he secured his release from the General Staff early in World War II to return to a combat command. That he should receive his second star on the field of battle came as no surprise to his many friends.

After his retirement from the Army, he was placed at the head of the Veterans' Administration Hospital at Palo Alto, Calif. Here he was not only an excellent administrator, but friend of every patient. He was tireless in making his rounds of the hospital

and assuring himself that the patients were receiving the best of care.

After he retired as hospital administrator, his years were as full of service as were those while he was on active duty in the Army and with the Veterans' Administration. He became a successful Republican district leader in Palo Alto, with a number of well-organized precincts reporting to him; and, for many years, was the Secretary of the Rotary Club of Palo Alto. He was a living example of the Rotary motto: Service Above Self; and was likewise devoted to West Point, his family and his friends. He was extremely generous and no one will ever know how many are grateful to him for his timely assistance.

His personal life had its tragedies and joys. Before his entrance to West Point, there was the tragedy of the accident in which his doctor father (hence the nickname Doc) was killed. There was the joy of his courtship and marriage to Helen Stone, whom many of us knew while we were cadets; and the joy which came from his three children: Whitney, Stoddard and Helen. There was the



sadness of Whitney's accident which left him partially deaf and, consequently, ineligible for West Point; and the joy of Stoddard's graduation from the Naval Academy. There was the tragedy of his wife Helen's long illness and death; and the joy of his marriage to her sister, Sophia, who survives him.

Throughout these vicissitudes, Doc remained the same true and faithful friend to all who would accept his friendship. He did not look to his friends to give him sympathy in his sorrows or to celebrate with him in his joys; rather he was truly concerned about their own sorrows and joys.

He loved the great outdoors, and fished and hunted with the most skillful even after his wound had left him without a joint in his right shoulder. After his second retirement, he spent many hours in his wood-working shop carving and painting beautiful, life-like, wooden ducks for use as decoys, which he gave unstintingly to any friend who visited him. Also, he was a bird-watcher who kept a feeding box outside the window by his favorite chair and he could identify all the birds which accepted his hospitality.

Several years ago, with his usual concern for others, he decided that Sophia and he could no longer maintain a home where they could continue to offer their customary hospitality to their many friends. They were about

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to move into the Sequoias in nearby Portola Valley when his last illness took him to Letterman Hospital. It is there that Sophia now resides.

In the many wonderful years of his life, Doc's greatest pleasure was to be a trusted friend. The many who found him so will miss him greatly; but they will ever be thankful that they had the opportunity to share his friendship. Their deep sorrow at his loss is assuaged somewhat by the fond memories of his friendship which they will treasure always.

-H. S. A.

Joseph James O'Hare

NO. 5571 CLASS OF 1916

Died 2 April 1961 at Tucson, Arizona, aged 68 years.

THE CLASS OF 1916, reporting for the first time at West Point as plebes, soon found that Boston had sent it a classmate with the fine Irish name of O'Hare. Over six feet tall, tipping the scales at 200 pounds and crowned with flaming red hair, he stood out in any group. "Red", for that nickname just came naturally, was also blessed with an Irish sense of humor.

It was not long before upper classmen had spotted him as good football material and by the end of Plebe Camp he was a member of the football squad in which he was destined to remain until graduation. He was the only man of the class to win his "A" in four successive years, and in 1914 he was picked by the *Chicago Tribune* as a member of its All-American second team. In his scholastic work, languages just seemed to be easy for him. He developed an aptitude in French and Spanish that proved to be most helpful to him in his later life in the service.

After graduation Red's first two years as a Coast Artillery officer were spent in the Boston area on duty, first in one of the harbor forts and later on staff duty in the North Eastern Department headquarters. It was during this period that he married Martha Armstrong of St. Louis. They had met at a hop at West Point. It was the beginning of a long devoted married life that was blessed in 1920 by the birth of a son, John Joseph O'Hare, Jr., now a major on duty at Fort Meade, Md.

In World War I he was assigned to one of the mobile heavy artillery regiments that the Coast Artillery organized for service on the western front. To his disappointment, the problems of equipping and training delayed its arrival in France until late October 1918, only a few weeks before the Armistice terminated hostilities.

Back in the States in 1919, a short period of staff duty at Headquarters, Eastern Division, was ended by his assignment as an instructor in French at West Point. His facility in languages as a cadet had been noted and it was to be helpful to him in other future assignments. His academic detail completed in 1924, he went back to troop duty in the Canal Zone. Two years later, however,

he received an unusual and interesting assignment as a member of the group of officers General Lassiter took to South America to supervise the plebiscite that settled the Tacna-Arica boundary dispute between Peru and Chile.

When, a year later, Red returned to the United States, he transferred to the Infantry and spent the next two years as a student at the Infantry School and the Command and General Staff School. In 1929 he was detailed as Military Attaché to the American Embassy in Cuba, another assignment where his knowledge of Spanish was useful. Completing his tour of duty in Havana in 1933 he was assigned, after two years, with the 16th Inf as Instructor, 69th New York National Guard in New York City. It was while in camp with the famous New York Irish Regiment that Red attended the class reunion in 1936. The sergeant who drove him to West Point left no doubt in our minds that the regiment considered him an instructor after its own Irish heart.

The attack on Pearl Harbor and our entry



in World War II found Red as G-1 of the First Army at Governors Island and he went with the headquarters when it moved to England in 1943. After the invasion of France he was moved up as G-1 of the 12th Army Group commanded by General Bradley, with whom he had played football on the Army team 30 years before. After the war General Bradley wrote in his book that Red was one of the most efficient officers on his staff.

The war over, Red came back to be G-1 of the War Department General Staff. From this assignment he went to France as Military Attaché and after four years in Paris he retired in 1953. But in retirement Red was still a distinguished figure wherever he went. While he maintained a permanent home in Washington, he made a trip abroad every few years, spent the cold winter months in Arizona, and the hot summer in New England. Red's health was not of the best in recent years but it never seemed to affect his spirits. He had a delightful sense of humor that never failed him. He had a host of friends and his attachment to West Point and his class was deep-seated. If he ever missed a class luncheon or dinner it was because illness prevented. He had been hoping to attend the 45th Reunion of the class last June. It was a shock when, on Easter Sunday

evening last April, we learned that Red had died that afternoon while taking a walk in Tucson, Ariz. Devoted to his family, West Point and his class, may he rest in peace.

Rex Webb Beasley

NO. 5635 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 26 February 1961 at Asheville, North Carolina, aged 68 years.

WHEN REX WEBB BEASLEY came to West Point from the small town of Linden, Tenn., his new associates soon noted in him a self-reliance and tenacity of purpose that was to characterize him throughout his service. In Linden we can well appreciate that Rex was affectionately known as a devoted son and respected older brother in his family. Linden remembered its illustrious son through the years. In this year 1961, *The Linden News*, in a column "Happenings 48 Years Ago," republished what had been the "news" of that day in 1913, that Rex, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beasley, had passed his examinations for West Point after graduating from Branham and Hughes School in nearby Spring Hill, and thereafter attending Vanderbilt University. His school career had been most successful, he having won two or more scholarship prizes and several medals in oratorical contests. And now, the article predicted, he was embarking upon "a glorious future." The article was prophetic. This young man was in fact destined to wear his country's uniform with marked distinction and among other accomplishments to add 16 US and foreign medals to his "several medals for oratory" before mentioned.

So it was that Rex made a drastic change in plans for his career. What prompted that change? We doubt that he had any thought of the "glory" ahead. Rex was too practical to entertain such nebulous dreams. More likely he recognized the opportunity to serve his country best by entering the armed service. Starting upon a military career must have been weighed carefully against the advantages of remaining close to the soil of his native state. We do know that Rex always retained a strong feeling for the soil; almost a compulsion to grow things. His vegetable and flower gardens were the admiration and joy of his friends with whom he so generously shared the fruits of his toil.

His progress through West Point was of the pattern expected. On entrance he had brought along a mature and balanced attitude and an excellent scholastic preparation. That he should graduate in the top quarter of his class was no surprise to his classmates. To most of us those years are remembered as the beginning of a friendship that will always endure.

Then came World War I. Rex took it in stride. In France, with the 1st Division, he earned five battle clasps and the Purple Heart. By the war's end he was a major at high headquarters at Chaumont. Mike Hurdis remembers him as a staff officer in the 1st FA Brigade 114 (he was initially in one of its regiments) "doing work that would require six officers in a similar World War II

unit — and accomplishing this calmly and efficiently."

World War II found Rex, now a general officer, still with his beloved Field Artillery and in command of the 81st Div Arty. In the between-wars years he had contributed much to the development of his arm. His division commander, Major General Paul J. Mueller says of Rex: "He was firm and resolute, made his desires known clearly and unequivocally, demanded of subordinates only sacrifices he himself was willing to make. His command had full confidence in his ability. He was superb in the military profession." His World War II service was recognized by decorations for gallantry, fearless and heroic conduct in combat and for exceptionally meritorious service.

High on the list of Rex's distinguished achievements is the service rendered from January 1946 through 1949, as head of Military Government at Eighth Army Headquarters. To him fell the task of insuring that General MacArthur's orders to the Japanese Government concerning coordination with Military Government by the occupying forces

(Ret), spoke of his brother, Rex, as "a secure anchor to windward. As an older brother the many fine examples his life and work set for us can never be fully evaluated. He was in fact everything that a *big brother* was supposed to be."

Space is not allotted to relate the sentiments of many classmates. To Ernie Harmon, "Rex typifies highest character, gentlemanly conduct and personal integrity as well as any man I ever met." Hurdis says in tribute, "Rex was a fine husband, father and friend. He was loved and respected by all who knew him. His tremendous energy was always directed intelligently and effectively. In a really tough situation I can think of no one I would rather have with me than Rex. Instinctively and quickly he would know the right thing to do, and most important of all, he would do it."

To all of us, Rex will always be very near and dear.

—M. B. H.

to relieve the severe shortage of officers in that branch. Having started out in the Coast Artillery, he decided to return to it. In 1940 he was ordered to the Philippines. As war clouds gathered, late in 1941 his wife and son were evacuated back to the United States. Don was on General Jonathan Wainwright's staff on Corregidor and was with him when Bataan fell. From May 1942 when he became a prisoner of war he was confined by the Japanese at Cabanatuan Prison in Manila. In January 1945 the well-trained Rangers of General MacArthur's forces raided Cabanatuan and released Don and other prisoners. After their release they made their way through 20 miles of Japanese-held territory back to our lines. His release was accomplished on 30 January 1945, he having been held a POW for almost three years.

Don's normal weight was around 200 pounds, but the extreme rigors of the POW prison and the inadequacy of his diet had reduced him to 114 on the day of his release. His health was broken; he was almost blind, and was suffering from an ag-



were carried out. General Robert Eichelberger, Eighth Army Commander, has stated that Rex was in entire charge and did a magnificent job. "For this great accomplishment I shall always be grateful." It may be added that our Nation may well be grateful for Rex's part in realigning Japan as an ally and bulwark against threat in the far East.

Following return from Japan in 1949 Rex was assigned to duty with Headquarters Army Field Forces. Wayne Clark, Chief of Army Field Forces stated, "I never knew a man more dedicated in his work or who was more familiar with the research and development program under way at the time. That program was of vital importance because it coincided with the Korean War. Rex fulfilled the highest traditions of the Army and served his country well during that vital period."

Rex Webb Beasley and Elinor Dorothy Leonard were married in 1924. Theirs was a happy home and due to the admirable qualities of both, they made and retained a host of devoted friends. Devoted parents, their son, Major Rex Webb Beasley, Jr., USMA '46, and their daughter, Mrs. Martha B. Stewart, and six grandchildren joined in making a closely knit family.

Rear Admiral Charles B. Beasley, USN

Donald William Sawtelle

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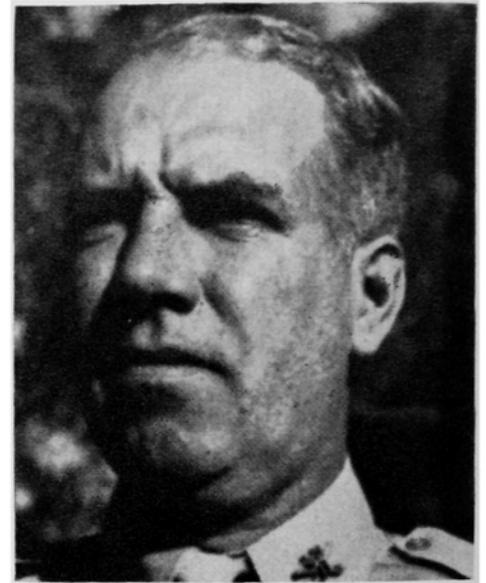
Died 20 August 1961 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 64 years.

DONALD WILLIAM SAWTELLE, son of Henry Martin and Jane Crouch Sawtelle, was born at Athens, Pa., on 7 April 1897.

After completing grammar and high school he attended LaFayette University for a year. In 1916 he entered the US Military Academy and was graduated therefrom on 1 November 1918.

For his branch he chose the Coast Artillery Corps and was sent to the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe, Va., for a basic orientation course. Upon completion of the course in 1919 he was ordered to Europe where he was assigned the usual duties of new lieutenants. He drew one particular assignment, the accompanying of and distribution of relief supplies to the destitute Poles in Poland. When this work was completed he returned to the United States and shortly thereafter transferred to the Cavalry.

He attended the Basic Troop Officers Course at the Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kans. Upon completion of this course he began the routine duties of a line officer at the various Cavalry posts up and down the border, with one break when he was detailed as Aide-de-Camp to General Harry Smith at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and Omaha, Nebr. After this detail he returned to troop duty, and while serving at Fort Ringold, Tex., he met and wooed Miss Vivian Thomas. They were married at Corpus Christi, Tex., on 26 December 1935. The next year he was ordered to the Cavalry School and while there, on 7 July 1937 their son Donald, Jr., was born. From Fort Riley he got a change from border duty and was sent to Fort Meade, S.D. It was while serving there that the War Department sent out a questionnaire requesting officers who were interested to take a detail in or transfer to the Coast Artillery Corps



gravated heart condition. He was placed on a transport and arrived in the US on 8 March 1945. For the next 20 months he was in and out of hospitals. He was fighting for his health and life. On any improvement in condition he would ask to be returned to duty, but his physical condition was such that he could not stand under the strain of active duty and he would be back in the hospital. Finally while a patient at Valley Forge General Hospital, Phoenixville, Pa., on 31 October 1946 he was retired from the service for physical disability incurred in the line of duty.

After retirement Don established a home at Corpus Christi, Tex., and spent the rest of his life trying to rebuild his health. He was in and out of hospitals for years for correction of his wartime disabilities. He lost completely the sight in one eye and it had to be removed. Other operations were necessary. The time between tours in the hospitals became shorter and shorter. He kept his chin up and never doubted in his own mind but that he would eventually get his health back. Early in August 1961 he entered Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. The doctors had to perform an emergency throat operation and every step known to science was resorted to in the

hope of bringing him through the crisis. It was to no avail. His weakened and pain-racked body could stand no more, and on 20 August 1961 he answered the last roll call and joined the Long Gray Line.

Don, for years you have put up a terrific battle against overpowering odds, never asking for quarter, never despairing. That you may rest in peace free from the pain and agony that has dogged you for years is the hope and prayer of your classmates and friends.

He is survived by his widow, Vivian Sawtelle, 318 Brooks Drive, Corpus Christi, Tex.; their son, Lt. Donald W. Sawtelle, Jr. (USMA 1961), now attending the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.; and a brother, Martin Henry Sawtelle, Jr., Binghampton, N.Y.

—Fred Pearson, a classmate.

He left that duty in February 1943 to assume command of the 127th Inf, then engaging the Japanese between Buna Mission and Giropa Point. Shortly thereafter he was transferred to the command of the 126th Inf and remained with the regiment for over a year, capturing Buna and leading Task Force Bradley in the landing at Saidor in New Guinea. For this grueling combat service he received a Distinguished Service Cross, two Silver Star Medals, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, and, with the 126th Inf, a Distinguished Unit Citation. In March 1944 he returned to Washington for duty on the War Department General Staff, where he served for the remainder of the war as Chief of the Organization Group in G-3. During this time he was promoted to the grade of brigadier general and received the Distinguished Service Medal and the Order of the British Empire in the grade of Honorary Commander. In October 1946 he left Washington for two years in various Pacific island commands, returning to Benning as Assistant Commandant in October 1948.

With the outbreak of the hostilities in

nated Chief of the Military Assistance Division at Headquarters EUCOM, and supervised the operations of the military assistance groups in Denmark, France, Italy, the United Kingdom, Portugal, Norway, Turkey, Greece and the Benelux countries until February 1955 when he became Military Advisor to the American Ambassador, Dr. Conant. In this important post he was instrumental in advising in matters dealing with the organization and training of the German forces for NATO. Because of failing health he was forced to return to the United States for hospitalization and eventual retirement for physical disability. His active career with the Army which he had served so long and so well terminated on 31 May 1956.

Sladen selected Winter Park, Fla., as his retirement home, and on arrival there immediately associated himself with a variety of civic activities: first, as a member of the city's Chamber of Commerce; and later by election as a candidate of the Democratic party, as one of the city's five city commissioners. During his first three months as City Commissioner, he also volunteered to serve as interim City Manager until a permanent one could be obtained. His civil career was as notable as his military career had been. In 1959 he was named Winter Park Man of the Year and cited for his efforts to create interest in the full participation of the citizens of Winter Park in their municipal government. Later, in the same year, he was again cited for the "ethics, integrity and character" with which he had labored for his adopted community. He was a devoted communicant of the Episcopal Church, into which he had been confirmed under the instruction of Dr. Percy Silver, at West Point, in 1917, and was closely associated with the activities of the American Cancer Society, the Heart Fund, and with veteran's relief work in Winter Park.

A few days after Sladen's death over one hundred citizens of Winter Park, under the leadership of the mayor of the city, assembled in the city's Central Park to plant a 10-foot holly tree to Sladen's memory. Thus is the remembrance of his service to the community kept green in the hearts of the people who knew and loved him.

Sladen is survived by his widow, Susan Shattuck Bradley, daughter of Major Amos B. Shattuck, USMA 1886, and granddaughter of Colonel Milton Cogswell, USMA 1849; by a daughter, Susan Bradley Stephens, wife of Lieutenant Colonel John M. Stephens, Infantry; and by his son and namesake. His widow resides at 1850 Summerland Avenue, Winter Park.

Sladen Bradley's classmates are proud of the distinction that he brought to their class, and proud that one of their number so completely exemplified by his life the highest ideals of our Alma Mater. Sladen will be sincerely missed by all who knew him, for he was a joyous inspiration to everyone who was fortunate enough to enjoy his friendship. It is especially fitting that one of his classmates most closely associated with him throughout his career, Lieutenant General Claude B. Ferenbaugh, should have written what all of us so truly feel in the final eulogy of Joseph Sladen Bradley that follows:

"Our Boy" has passed to his reward—the reward that should be reserved for a born leader and an unswerving friend. Never has anyone given more unstintingly than did Sladen of his abilities and devotion to his friends, his family and his country. His favorite sign-off in a letter, "darndest, Sladen," while meant to be one of affection, pretty well exemplified in other ways his



Korea Bradley left Benning to join the 2d Inf Div as Assistant Division Commander. In his first operation, in August 1950, he led Task Force Bradley into Pohang and saved the important Air Force base there. For his service at Pohang he received the first Silver Star Medal awarded during the Korean action.

In February 1951 Bradley was assigned as Assistant Division Commander, 25th Inf Div, then commanded by his classmate, Major General William B. Kean. When the division forced a crossing of the Han River in March Bradley received a second Silver Star; and his successful attack against a strongly fortified position after a river crossing is still taught at Benning as a classic example of a well-conducted river crossing operation. During his service with the 25th Inf Div Sladen received a second Distinguished Service Cross, a second Distinguished Service Medal, four Silver Star Medals, two Air Medals and the Korean Unit Citation. In August 1951 he returned to the Pentagon for duty as Deputy Director for Strategic Planning in the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He was promoted to major general, Regular Army, on 11 June 1952, and was relieved from duty with the Joint Chiefs of Staff on 29 August and ordered to duty in the European Command.

On arrival in Europe Bradley was desig-

Joseph Sladen Bradley

NO. 6462 CLASS OF 1919

Died 17 January 1961 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., aged 60 years.

JOSEPH SLADEN BRADLEY, Major General, US Army, Retired, died in Walter Reed Hospital on 17 January 1961, after a long and painful illness, and was buried at West Point on 21 January. Sladen, as he was known to his contemporaries, belonged to a most distinguished Old Army family. He was the son of Brigadier General John J. Bradley, USMA 1891; and the grandson of Captain Joseph A. Sladen, who came with his parents from England shortly before the Civil War, served as a doughboy in that war and won a Congressional Medal of Honor, was commissioned in the Regular Army, and lost a leg while participating in General O. O. Howard's pursuit of Chief Joseph in 1877. His mother was Caroline Sladen, the sister of Major General Fred W. Sladen, USMA 1890, Superintendent, USMA, from 1922 to 1926. Captain Joseph Sladen Bradley, Jr., Infantry, continues the family's military tradition, and is the second generation of the Bradleys to wear the crossed rifles.

Sladen Bradley was born at Vancouver Barracks on 9 June 1900, prepared for his West Point examinations at Schadman's in Washington, and had just passed his 17th birthday when he entered the Military Academy with the Class of 1921 in June 1917. His class was graduated early, shortly before the 1918 armistice, and was returned to West Point for further training until June 1919, when the class was graduated a second time, becoming officially the Class of 1919 on the records of the Military Academy. Sladen's class standing was 207 in a class of 284.

All of Bradley's service was in the Infantry, and by detail, on the General Staff, and included tours of duty at The Infantry School (as a student, 1919-1920; instructor, 1940-1942; and Assistant Commandant, 1948-1950); assignment to the 31st Inf (Philippines), 15th Inf (China), and the 23d Inf, 7th Inf and 3d Inf in the United States prior to World War II.

In April 1942 Sladen left Benning for the South Pacific, and on arrival in that theater became Chief of Staff of the 32d Inf Div.

whole life. He always gave it that kind of a try in everything he did.

His sense of humor was unflinching and he used it ungrudgingly to raise the morale of his compadres at Benning, at Leavenworth, in the South Pacific, and in Korea. He exemplified the sunrise and spread its rays over everyone with whom he came into contact, no matter how dark or rough the situation.

A short stint at MIT made him very much in demand during his earlier service in constructing camps, swimming pools and camp theatres. He was a whiz at the drawing board. Having started the excavation for a swimming pool at Vancouver Barracks in the late '20's, he was ordered to instructional duty with the Washington National Guard then in camp at Fort Lewis, just as the pool construction was getting under way. Asked who would succeed him he is reported to have replied, "That damned fellow who recommended me for this job in the first place."

He was seen to clamber out of a foxhole in the South Pacific before a heavy shelling had subsided and thumb his nose and give a Bronx cheer toward what was then a rather tough enemy still in the ascendancy. For this sort of spirit he twice received the DSC for gallantry in action. But as an 18-year-old second lieutenant, reattending West Point as a Student Officer in 1918, he was the only person I know of, before or since his time, who snowballed a Tac with courageous aplomb—and a resulting slug. Perhaps that act presaged his fearlessness to come in the South Pacific and Korea.

Korea took its toll of him, we are sure, for while in action there in 1951, commanding the 25th Inf Div in the Seoul area, he contracted hepatitis. A recurrence of this disease in Germany in 1954 again laid him low. To our way of thinking these two illnesses had much to do with the malady that was to prove fatal in 1961.

We of 1919 hated to see him go; they don't make many like "Our Boy." He belonged to all of us. We were all enriched by knowing him; and his memory will be with us always.

—A Classmate

housing bill was passed in 1951, he secured approval for the construction of 250 additional units. The housing bill in 1952 provided for the construction of rural non-farm housing, and to aid low-income families employed beyond the city limits of Valdosta, another 26-unit project was constructed under his direction in 1953. In December 1960 another 70 units were erected on scattered sites throughout the city and these have been named "Cranford Homes" in his honor and memory.

The last units were erected to care for families displaced through Valdosta's first urban renewal program, also under Colonel Cranford's able leadership, which cleared 62 acres of blighted and slum area adjacent to the city's central business district in order to expedite commercial and industrial development.

Colonel Cranford also served as State President of the Georgia Association of Housing Authorities. During his term he organized and conducted workshops for all maintenance employees of the vast number of



housing authorities throughout the state, a practice which is still followed.

In addition to his service with the housing authority, Colonel Cranford was active in civic affairs of the community and was greatly responsible for the construction of the Valdosta and Lowndes County Youth Center. He served as a director of the Valdosta Boys Club for a number of years, and was one of its organizers. He was presented a special award from the Boys Club for his lengthy and active participation.

He served as Exalted Ruler of the Valdosta Elks Lodge, was Secretary for several years of the Valdosta Country Club, a member of the Valdosta Rotary Club, and of the First Baptist Church.

Devoted to his family, his Alma Mater, West Point, an able military leader who served his country well with assignments at Fort Totten, in the Philippines, Japan and other places, an untiring public servant and civic worker, he will be sorely missed but long remembered by his many friends.

Colonel Cranford is survived by his widow, Catherine Pendleton Cranford of Valdosta, Ga., and by his two daughters: Mrs. Richard Y. Hawkins of Griffin, Ga.; and Mrs. Albert Lynn Williams, Jr., of Bronxville, N. Y., and Sydney, Australia.

—Homer C. Eberhardt

Willard Koehler Liebel

NO. 7449

CLASS OF 1924

Died 1 August 1961 at San Antonio, Texas, aged 60 years.

OUR FRIEND Bill Liebel was born 28 March 1901, at Covington, Ky. He passed away on 1 August 1961, as the result of a heart attack which proved to be the final one of a series that began in 1956 and dogged him through the last five years of his life. His bad heart forced his retirement as a major general on 30 April 1957, at the peak of a military career that extended through 40 fruitful years of devotion to his country, and finally brought him down at Brooke General Hospital, San Antonio, Tex. He is buried in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

Bill's thirst for a military career began at an age when most of us were still in high school wondering vaguely about war in Europe. While we wondered, he decided to do something about it, and at the age of 15 enlisted in the Army. Before long he was in the thick of things, earning three battle stars and a wound stripe as an Infantry combat soldier in France and Belgium.

With this background, after returning to Hughs High School in Cincinnati and graduating, Bill entered West Point as a member of the Class of 1924—the Thundering Herd. Academy life was pleasant for Bill. He made many friends, contributed his fair share to cadet activities, including lacrosse and fencing; and though at first he was on medical probation due to mustard gas poisoning, he graduated into his favorite branch, the Infantry, with first station at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. Here he met and married Helena Victoria Wiegand. Together they grew up through the usual changes of station, schools and overseas tours. However, in this early period, Bill outstripped his classmates in at least one respect: he demonstrated such marked capabilities as a staff officer and such an outstanding ability to get along with people that on five different occasions he was chosen to be aide-de-camp to general officers.

Their two children, John and Margot Helene, also enjoyed this colorful life: John entered the first grade at Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands; and Margot, much later, graduated from high school in Vienna, Austria.

Having learned about war the hard way in WW I, Bill was well qualified when the second one came. In this one his most important assignment was Chief of Staff and Assistant Commander of the 17th Abn Div from its activation in 1943 until its deactivation in 1945. His courage in combat and his outstanding ability as an officer are well attested by the awards he received, including the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Commendation Ribbon.

After instructing in airborne operations at the Armed Forces Staff College, he went right back to Europe in 1947 and for a while was in Munich, Germany, and later was Provost Marshal of Austria. Then Bill resumed his second career: that of an Assistant Division Commander. In less than two years he had the assignment three different times. Promoted to brigadier general in 1951, he again crossed to Europe in July of 1952 as G-3's Chief of Support Plans Branch for Hq EUCOM. In 1954 Bill moved to Lisbon, Portugal and was

Thomas Gordon Cranford, Jr.

NO. 6495

CLASS OF 1919

Died 26 July 1961 at Valdosta, Georgia, aged 64 years.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL Thomas G. Cranford, Jr., age 64, who passed away at his home on 26 July 1961 after a lengthy illness, achieved success in two careers. He retired in 1942 after 24 years' service in the Army to live in Valdosta, Ga., his native city.

In April 1950 he was named Executive Director of the Valdosta Housing Authority and it was under his very capable direction that the Ora Lee West Homes, the Lloyd Greer Homes, and the Hudson-Dockett Homes, all for families of low income, were constructed in Valdosta. The first 150 units were completed within a year after his appointment and immediately after the new

Chief of the Military Assistance Advisory Group until late in 1956. While on this important assignment he was promoted to major general. Returning to the United States in October 1956, he was Commanding General of Fort Devens, Mass., for a short time, until his heart trouble forced him to Walter Reed Hospital, and later to his retirement at Fort Sam Houston, his first and last station.

With a distinguished military career at an end, Bill and Helena remained in their beloved San Antonio to join many friends and classmates in a pleasant retired life. They built a lovely home to house their beautiful collection of antiques and works of art, and in this building Bill was never happier. He turned a bare lot into a garden spot that soon became the envy of friends and neighbors. Forced to give up his favorite activity of tennis, and not being an ardent golfer, Bill concentrated on making things grow.

Both John, now a major in the US Air Force, and Margot, a Department of the Army civilian in Munich, came to visit their Dad during his last summer—making his last few weeks on earth pleasant ones. And



with Helena and Martin, his 14-year-old dachshund, always at his side, and surrounded by his many friends and Helena's family, Bill was quite happy. There was always time, though, to lend a helping hand to others. Bill's unselfish expenditure of time and effort eased the road for many a distressed widow, and what could be a more fitting tribute to a man than that he spent his last days showing us by his example the true meaning of real friendship.

—Marcus B. Stokes '24

Edward Murphy Markham, Jr.

NO. 8278 CLASS OF 1928

Died 25 September 1961 at Washington, D. C.,
aged 55 years.

FAMILY, CLASSMATES, AND FRIENDS were saddened at the sudden death of Colonel Edward M. Markham, Jr., at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C. Although

he had been seriously ill for many years, his death was quite unexpected. He was buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors. Colonel Markham was born at Washington Barracks, D.C., on 18 November 1905, one of twin sons of the late Major General Edward and Grace Markham, a former Chief of Engineers. His early education was that of all boys born to and living the Army life with their father: transfer from one section of the country to another every few years with the consequent adjustment to new schools and new friends. In 1924, after a year at Columbian Preparatory School, he entered the Military Academy with the Class of 1928.

It was "Murph's" ambition to graduate sufficiently high to choose the Corps of Engineers. Though he stood well up in his class, both in the tactical and academic departments, he missed his choice by a few files and was commissioned in the Signal Corps.

His first station was at Fort Monmouth, N. J. but as soon as Army Regulations would permit, he took a detail in, and subsequently transferred to, the Corps of Engineers. In 1929, while on duty with the 13th Engrs at Fort A.A. Humphreys, Va. (now Fort Belvoir), he married Mary Louise Aitcheson of Alexandria, Va. In 1930 he completed a course at Cornell University and received his Degree in Civil Engineering. The years 1931-1932 were spent in a second assignment to the 13th Engrs and the usual course at the Engineer School. Four years as Assistant PMS&T at the Michigan College of Mines was followed by his first foreign service tour of duty to the 3d Engrs, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. In addition to troop duty he was responsible for the location, improvement, and maintenance of the roads and trails over the several mountain ranges of Oahu in support of defensive positions. In 1939 he returned to the States with assignment as Executive Officer, San Francisco Engineer District. This period saw the preparation for and the entry of the United States into World War II. Needless to say, Ed Markham, by now promoted to major, found 24 hours a day, seven days a week, little enough time for his constant travel up and down the West Coast, negotiating with contractors and supervising the lay-out and construction of airfields, cantonments, and varied defense installations.

Early in 1942 he was promoted to lieutenant colonel and ordered to the 78th Div, Camp Buckner, N.C., as Division Engineer. He also commanded the 303d Engr Bn, which unit, coincidentally, was commanded in 1917-18, A.E.F., by his father as a regiment in the old 'square' division organization.

In 1943 he was promoted to colonel and transferred to Camp Phillips, Kan., as Commanding Officer of the 366th Engr Regt (Gen Svc). Training completed, the regiment shipped to Great Britain early in 1944. Assigned to various tasks in Scotland and England it supported the preparation and build up for the vast forces then being assembled for the invasion of Normandy. Participation in this operation was denied Ed, as illness necessitated his return to the United States in May 1944 and a retirement board at Walter Reed General Hospital. However, his retirement for disability was followed by immediate recall to active duty, a brief assignment to the Office of Chief of Engineers, and orders to Albany, N.Y., as Commanding Officer of the Albany Engineer Depot. Though disappointed by his retirement during the midst of war, he was thankful and most happy that he was physically strong enough to continue on duty in such an important and active

assignment. His command was with the usual vigor and drive and the Depot was cited time and time again as one of the outstanding supply installations sustaining combat operations in the overseas theaters. In recognition of his superior performance of this duty he was awarded the Legion of Merit for his work at Albany Depot.

In 1947 he was finally retired in the full sense of the word and moved to Alexandria, Va., to make his permanent home. He held a position with the city government, Department of Public Works, for a year and a half until forced to resign due to continual failing health.

He never recovered. Each passing year brought complication after complication, operation after operation, until his final entry into Walter Reed General Hospital in August 1961 and his sudden death a month later. During these years of uncertainty and suffering, Ed and Mary were consoled by a growing family: Edward III, a West Point graduate, Class of 1951; four daughters: Mary Ellen, Jane, Elizabeth, and Kathleen; and eight grandchildren.



Officially, Ed Markham served his country faithfully and brilliantly for 20 years, abruptly terminated by ill health which became more serious with each passing year. He was unselfish, and even as a cadet was always concerned with the problems of the other fellow. High academic standing was his with seemingly little effort. It appears that, during his four years at the Academy, he devoted fully as much time in coaching the "Goats" as he did in preparing his own studies for the following day's classes. His twin brother is one, no doubt among many others, who will tell you that except for Ed's coaching in Plebe and Yearling math he would have never met the academic requirements.

As a troop commander, Ed was one of those extremely rare officers who quite naturally, and without seeking it in anyway whatsoever, acquire the liking and, at the same time, the respect of their men. His sense of humor in every situation was contagious and no matter what the difficulties he could expect 100% cooperation from both superiors and subordinates. This ability to command applied equally to staff and service assignments. As an example, his period at the Albany Depot was one of continuous pressure. Like all such installations in war time, the problems and frustrations were unending. His own spirit and leadership qualities were re-

flected down the line so that even the most subordinate materials-handling personnel were imbued with the spirit of getting the job done regardless of time or personal inconvenience.

Ed's spirit and character may best be understood by an examination covering the 14 years from 1947 to his 'death. To one who has himself not suffered ill health, it is some times hard to appreciate and sympathize sufficiently with the less fortunate. As mentioned above, in spite of a series of major operations he always felt there was an answer; that the medical authorities had at last found a solution and recovery was just around the corner. During all this time there was never a complaint but, to the contrary, the everlasting hope of a return to health and a determined refusal to feel sorry for himself. And, so, in retrospect, we know that Ed's life was a full one, successful as a boy, as a man, as a husband and as a father.

His wife and children will remember him for his hope and cheerfulness when he must have really known to himself that the odds for regaining his health were very large against him. During all this period he was consoled with a personal strength from his Catholicism and the continual affection of his family.

In brief, Ed was a reliable, efficient, and thoroughly capable officer on every assignment. At the final services at Arlington many relatives, friends, and classmates gathered to pay a last tribute to one who served his country honorably and faithfully, and always upheld the traditions of his Alma Mater. His loving wife Mary, and his five wonderful children all attest to the character, happiness, and family solidarity that was a part of a home marred only by serious illness.

Ed's work is done, and the initial shock of his parting is fading with the memory of a friendly, humorous, gallant individual, and a devoted father and husband.

Requiescat in pace.

—H.S.M.

pointment and on 1 July 1933, entered the Academy with the Class of 1937.

Monte took West Point pretty much in stride. Academics gave him no trouble. He graduated 84th in a class of 298. His hobbies were good books, good music, and gymnastics. His HOWITZER activities record shows: "Cadet Chapel Choir (4,3,2,1); Gymnasium (4,3,2,1); Minor 'A' (2,1)." His HOWITZER biography ends with these words: "In short, Monte is real, sincere, and independent." Monte set high standards for himself, strove to meet them, and chose his intimate friends from among like-minded individuals. He did what he thought was right, regardless of what others might say or think or of how his own interests might be affected, and was forthright in expressing himself when he felt there was need to do so. Impulsive, good-natured, easygoing, warmhearted, generous, friendly, sympathetic, understanding, devoid of affectation, and ever ready and eager to assist to the limit of his ability or resources any cause or individual he deemed worthy, he had many warm friends—and no enemies.

Upon graduation, 12 June 1937, he was



commissioned a second lieutenant in his chosen branch, the Coast Artillery Corps, and assigned station at Fort Totten, N.Y. That same year, while on temporary transport duty with recruits, he voyaged to Panama and found the life and surroundings there attractive. Upon his return, desiring to pursue seriously the study of Spanish—a language in which he had excelled at the Academy, and in which he had ranked 4th—he requested and was given, in 1938, foreign service in Panama, and was assigned station at Fort Amador, C.Z.

In 1939 he became seriously ill, entered Gorgas Hospital, C.Z., for treatment, and in April of that year was transferred as a patient to Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D.C. Upon release from Walter Reed, in August of 1939, he was assigned station at Fort Monroe, Va. There his interest in teaching started. Assigned as instructor of candidates for appointment to the Service academies, he was officially commended by letter for having qualified mentally for entrance 15 of the 17 candidates under his tutelage.

In June 1940 he was promoted to first lieutenant, USA, and in October of that year appointed captain, AUS. On 9 November 1940, at Hampton, Va., he was married by the post chaplain of Fort Monroe to Miss Margaret ("Peggy") Bairos of Honolulu, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Bairos of that

city, and with whom, at Honolulu in 1932, he had graduated from Roosevelt High School. Of this happy union were born two fine sons: Monte Ben, at Honolulu on 21 March 1942; and Lee Ralston, at Honolulu on 12 November 1945.

In early 1941 Monte was ordered to foreign service in Hawaii and authorized travel for himself and wife by commercial vessel via the Panama canal to Honolulu. They made the trip on the luxury liner *Washington*—a memorable experience for both.

Upon their arrival he found himself assigned to station, duty, and quarters at Fort DeRussy, Waikiki Beach, Honolulu, where he had twice before, with his parents, been stationed and which he had found very much to his liking. Also, Honolulu was Peggy's home, her parents and a sister resided there, and both she and Monte had many mutual friends throughout the islands.

Immediately following the bombing of Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, Monte's battery of heavy siege guns took up its war position on Oahu's north shore, and there his activities were concentrated until his transfer to the US mainland in 1942.

In August 1942 he was assigned as an instructor at the Antiaircraft Artillery School at Camp Davis, N.C. Since married quarters were not available, he and his family became part of a Service colony at nearby Wrightsville Beach. On 17 September 1942, he was promoted to major, AUS. In September 1943, he was best man and Peggy the organist at the wedding, at Cambridge, Mass., of his brother, Marshall.

In early 1944, Monte and other members of an antiaircraft training team were flown to Guadalcanal, the Solomon Islands, Southwest Pacific Theater, for duty at the Guadalcanal Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center. Peggy, with their young son, returned by Navy transport to Honolulu, to be with her parents during this separation period. In July 1944 Monte again became seriously ill and in early August was flown to DeWitt Army Hospital, Auburn, Calif., for further treatment. There he was joined by his wife and son. There also, in late December 1944, he was brought before an Army retiring board, found physically incapacitated for active service, and ordered home to await retirement. Monte, having designated that city as his final station, proceeded with his wife and son to Honolulu. There, on 30 April 1945, for physical disability incident to his active service, he was retired in the rank of major. Thus ended the military career of an able and promising young officer whose record of service amply justifies the conclusion that he was headed for success in the military profession.

Immediately following his retirement, he joined the faculty of Punahou School, Honolulu, as a teacher; which position he held until his death. He first taught mathematics. Later he taught Spanish. September 1945 found Monte and his family settled in quarters on Punahou's campus and him actively engaged in a profession for which he was eminently qualified by temperament and capability.

Monte's retirement years were happy and rewarding ones. Happy, because he could enjoy his family, pursue his hobbies, expand his circle of friends, and contribute to the betterment of youth and society in general. Rewarding, because they earned him the confidence and admiration of his students, the love and adoration of his family, and the respect, friendship, and esteem of all with whom he came in contact.

Monte Jackson Hickok, Jr.

NO. 10819 CLASS OF 1937

Died 19 October 1961 at Queen's Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaii, aged 46 years.

MONTE JACKSON HICKOK, JR., elder son of then First Lieutenant Monte J. Hickok, CAC, USA, and Louisa Ralston Hickok, was born at Edinburg, Ind., 6 November 1914.

Following a happy and normal boyhood, enjoyed at various posts, camps, and stations on the US mainland and Hawaii, he graduated in 1932 from Roosevelt High School, Honolulu.

In 1931 Monte enlisted in the Honolulu contingent of the Hawaiian National Guard. In September 1932, authorized to compete for a Presidential or a National Guard appointment to the USMA, to enter in July 1933, he enrolled as a student at the Army Preparatory School for West Point, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

In March 1933, in nation-wide competition, he won entitlement to appointment from each of the categories in which he had competed. He was awarded a Presidential-At-Large ap-

He and his family enjoyed and entered wholeheartedly into all phases of campus life. Their children were students and enthusiastic boosters of Punahou. Monte and Peggy were genial hosts, skilled bridge players, musically gifted, lovers of good music, enjoyable conversationalists, and ever ready to greet friends. Both were active in church, school, community, and civic affairs.

In 1951 Monte took an extended sabbatical and enrolled as a student at the University of California, Berkeley. There, in June 1953, that institution awarded him a Master's Degree in Spanish literature. There it was discovered that he had polycystic disease, with both kidneys involved, and he was warned that this condition would eventually impose a serious threat to his health. He took this news stoically, planned to meet that eventuality when it arrived with the best medical and surgical skills then available to him, and he and his family returned to Punahou, where he resumed teaching. A few years later, for further Spanish study, he and his family summered in Guadalajara, Mexico.

In 1960, in anticipation of his eventual retirement from teaching, he built himself a home at Kailua, on the north shore of Oahu, and there he and his family spent a joyously happy Christmas: for all of them, their first in their new home; for Monte, his first and last.

The eventuality came all too soon. On 19 June 1961, at Queen's Hospital, Honolulu, his right kidney was successfully operated on. On 26 August 1961, his left kidney was operated on, but this time complications, including hepatitis, developed. His strength gradually waned, and on 19 October 1961, another victim of renal uremia stemming from polycystic disease, Monte's earthly life ended.

On 24 October, in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Honolulu, following funeral services at Montague Hall, Punahou Campus, he was buried with military honors.

Monte's untimely death is mourned by all who knew him. He was so young, and had so much to live for. An Army friend commented, "It is hard to understand the ways of God and the manner in which He picks those whom He takes and those whom He leaves." Dr. John F. Fox, president of Punahou School, said of him, "Monte Hickok will be deeply missed by his colleagues and his students. During his 16 years at Punahou, Monte held the high esteem and affection of us all. He was a dedicated teacher whose first regard was for his students. Punahou has suffered a great loss." One of his former students wrote of him, "As one of Mr. Hickok's former students, I would like to tell how much he meant to the students of Punahou. Mr. Hickok was more than a teacher—he was a true friend to us all. I cannot recall a time when his door was not open to us for advice, consolation, and general help. We all enjoyed his classes with a sincere enjoyment that few teachers were able to extract."

At a memorial service conducted at Punahou Chapel on 25 October, Dr. Norris Potter, a faculty colleague and long-time family friend, eulogized him as follows: "Yesterday, under a beautiful clear sky, with the trade winds fresh and clean, his family and friends gathered at Punchbowl for the burial services of Monte Hickok.

"He was one in an honorable company, one with many hundreds of other men who had served their country well.

"In this lovely green area, on the island which he loved so much, he found his resting place.

"I think you and I regarded Mr. Hickok,

not primarily as a professional military man, but as a teacher. This was the title he wanted most.

"He was trained as a soldier, and he served honorably in the service of his country. He knew the cruelty of war.

"And yet there was nobody who detested cruelty, and injustice, and hurtfulness more than he.

"For 15 years he lived and taught his classes on this campus. And those of his colleagues on the faculty during these years can tell you of his faithfulness, and his devotion to his students. These students—many of them in this hall—many of them scattered over our own and other countries—will add their own testimony.

"Then, in the 16th year of his teaching, he built his own home, overlooking the ocean at Lanikai, and moved from the campus. This was a particularly happy year.

"Only a few of his friends, however, realized that his happiness was tempered by a growing physical pain, the result of a disability which had caused him suffering at intervals over a period of years.

"Probably none of his students last year realized what fortitude it took for him to meet his classes.

"To them, he was the same Mr. Hickok—easygoing, humorous, always willing to overlook their shortcomings, always ready to help them with their difficulties.

"During the summer, the pain of his illness became so great that he knew he wouldn't be able to meet his classes in September, and he went to the hospital for a serious operation.

"Then he went home to recuperate, to resume his reading in Spanish literature, and to listen quietly to his favorite Spanish music. 'I'll be back to see the kids at the beginning of the second quarter,' he said.

"But this was not to be.

"He had to go back to the hospital for another major operation about a month ago. Again, after that, he tried bravely to fight his way back to health.

"Only two weeks ago today he managed to appear at a Trustees' Tea at Memorial Center. Looking tired and thin, he nevertheless talked eagerly about the new language laboratory, and about the classes he expected to meet in second quarter.

"On Thursday of last week he passed away.

"And so in chapel today we gather to pay our respects to a good friend—a good teacher—and a good man."

His considerable collection of Spanish books and records will form part of a Spanish award in his memory, to be maintained at Punahou.

Peggy, a tower of strength to Monte throughout their life together, with their two sons will continue in their home at 1044 Koo-hoo Place, Kailua (Oahu), Hawaii.

Besides his immediate family he is survived by his parents, Colonel Monte J. Hickok, USA-Ret., and Mrs. Hickok, of Brookline, Mass.; and by his brother, Dr. Marshall R. Hickok of Belmont, Mass., USMA 1939.

Monte left this world a greater man than he thought he was, and the world a better place for having known him. Throughout his brief earthly span he exemplified West Point's motto of "Duty, Honor, Country." He will continue to live in the hearts and memories of those of us who knew and loved him.

"With a cheery smile and a wave of his hand,

He has wandered into an unknown land,
And left us dreaming how very fair

It needs must be, since he lingers there.
I cannot say, and I will not say
That he is dead,—
He is just away!"

(From "Away," by Riley.)

—His father, M. J. Hickok, 1909

Harry Leonard Stiegler

NO. 10881 CLASS OF 1937

Died 19 April 1961 at West Acton, Massachusetts,
aged 48 years.

ON 19 APRIL 1961, after a very brief illness, Harry Leonard Stiegler died of an acute myocardial infarction. His sudden death at the age of 48 left a decided gap in the Long



Gray Line of West Pointers, for he was a loyal alumnus of the Academy. Although he retired from the service in January 1942, he was always grateful for the education and comradeship he enjoyed at the Point.

The youngest of four children, he was born in Baltimore Md., in 1913. After attending public schools there, and studying several years at John Hopkins University, he entered West Point, graduating in 1937. Immediately after graduation, he married Miss Phyllis Lucille Hanson, the daughter of Brigadier General James W. Hanson, US National Guard (Me.) and Mrs. Hanson, of Augusta, Maine.

Harry worked for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation as a subcontract negotiator after his separation from the Army, and subsequently was assistant project engineer at the Sperry Gyroscope Co. at Great Neck, N. Y. In 1947, he and his wife moved to Connecticut, where he began working for the Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Company as senior engineer. A series of promotions resulted in his becoming chief engineer of the defense division of Bigelow. His last place of employment was with the Raytheon Company, beginning in 1955, where he held successively the positions of project engineer and section manager of the Engineering Services Planning and Administration Section. At the time of his death, he was systems engineer in the Mauler Systems Organization.

He was a member of the America Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Engineering Society of Western Massachusetts, and the American Ordnance Association. He was the Civil Defense Director for the town of Acton, Mass., for two years; then the demands of his Raytheon work necessitated his resignation. He was also a member of the Association of Graduates, USMA, and the New England West Point Society, in which he took a great interest, and thoroughly enjoyed the meetings he was able to attend.

As a matter of fact, Harry enjoyed life in general. He loved animals and the outdoor life, and was keenly interested in flying, boating, fishing, and gardening. He and his wife had a small farm in Maine and he was looking forward to the day he could retire there. His early death is a bitter blow not only to his immediate family, but to his many business associates and friends.

—Ellen Marsh (niece)

pline. During his last few years, he became a skilled golfer.

Joe's first full-fledged assignment after graduation was to the 11th Abn Div, which had just been ordered into the task of occupying a defeated Japan. There, Joe and a handful of classmates were among the first volunteers for the first parachutists' qualifications conducted in Japan. The training was severe and stateside safety precautions were, of necessity, often disregarded. Joe's jovial acceptance of these hardships was inspirational to us all. In fact, Joe received an injury on the last and qualifying jump during relatively high winds, but he continued to add to our unit confidence and esprit de corps by his cheerful example and encouragement. Joe was proud of becoming a "rice paddy jumper."

Junior officer duties in the division during those trying times were challenging. The armies of the Pacific were demobilizing; inspirational leadership was at a premium. Joe met these challenges by a performance of duty which resulted in a compliment most difficult to obtain: we fellow junior officers

daughter, Margaret, was born in Rome, N.Y., on 6 August 1956 while they were on ROTC duty at Syracuse University.

Joseph Senger was proud, but unassuming, of his military accomplishments. He was proud of being an Infantryman, proud of his Airborne Infantry duty in Japan; of his part in the training of new officers at the Ground General School at Fort Riley; and of being Post Adjutant at Fort Campbell, Ky. He served with pride in Korea with the famous "Wolfhound" Regiment, the 27th Inf; for which he was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon. His ROTC instructor duties at Syracuse University gave Joe the welcome opportunity to instill pride of leadership in many young officer-aspirants. Later, Joe served on the staff of the Strategic Army Corps commander at Hq XVIII Abn Corps, Fort Bragg, and was subsequently selected to attend the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth.

Of all the things that Joseph Senger was most proud was his family. He taught them the fine things of life, appreciation of church, country and each other. We will see the good things of Joe Senger reflected in his children.

While stationed at Verdun, France, Joe became ill. He was flown to the US Army Hospital at Landstuhl, Germany, where he died on 29 December 1960.

We shall all miss this jovial companion—this properly tolerant, big, spoony flanker who never failed to raise our spirits. We will miss this wonderful soldier.

Joseph Schilling Senger was buried with military honors, escorted by his classmates, in the cemetery at his beloved West Point. "Well done! Be thou at peace."

—J. M. M. '45



and classmates considered Joe a "damned fine officer." We took pride in the fact that we were classmates of Joe... and that Joe was identified in the regiment as a "West Pointer." His soldiers paid him the tribute of being known as a fine officer with whom to serve.

"Our colonel of the 188th Parachute Inf entrusted Joe, a second lieutenant, as the commander of a separate detachment responsible for the military occupation of the Japanese port city of Shiogama. We envied the confidence shown in Joe by the colonel in selecting him for this assignment. Joe met this challenge of leadership and military efficiency in a thoroughly professional manner. Not only did he receive praise from his superior, but he also met the highly critical judgment of his classmates and fellow lieutenants of the regiment."

We have said that Joe had intense loyalties to his beloved Erie. As the years rolled on, these loyalties and Joe's energy were increased to include the Army and his fine family. He and Jayne Runser of Erie were married in the West Point Catholic Chapel on 10 June 1945. Their son, Michael G. Senger, was born 7 June 1946 in Erie, while Joe was in Japan. Wife Jayne and son Michael soon joined Joe in Sendai, Japan; and while there, their first daughter, Pamela, was born on 15 June 1948. The Sengers' second

George Delano Nelson, Jr.

NO. 15266 CLASS OF 1945
 Died 15 September 1961 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, aged 39 years.

SUDDENLY AND WITHOUT WARNING, Major George D. Nelson, Jr., died at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., 15 September 1961. Major Nelson combined a warm personality with his duty each day. He was characterized by an infectious smile, a keen sense of humor, and a deep devotion to his family and his country. To him, the Military Service was a way of life, and it seemed to spread to all those around him. George was a solid citizen, a real soldier, and one of the best friends I ever had. I'm sure he was also a loving husband and thoughtful parent. These attributes are about all that a man can expect to garner in our profession; and he had them all.

Major Nelson was born in Springfield, Vt., 30 January 1922, the son of George D. and Lula Purdy Nelson. His boyhood was filled with experiences of outdoor life. He attended the Stanton Preparatory Academy at Cornwall, N. Y., prior to receiving an appointment to the US Military Academy where he graduated with the Class of 1945. On his graduation day, he was married in the West Point chapel to Miss Eleanor Salmund of Perkinsville, Vt. His first military assignment was to Fort Benning, Ga. Subsequently, he served

Joseph Schilling Senger

NO. 15182 CLASS OF 1945

Died 29 December 1960 at US Army Hospital, Landstuhl, Germany, aged 37 years.

JOSEPH SCHILLING SENGER was born on 8 November 1923 in Erie, Pa., the son of Marie Schilling Senger and Edward A. Senger of that city.

Joe received from his parents, his other relatives, and his teachers those qualities of citizenship which produce fine patriotic Americans. Joe was truly a real patriot, in the local sense and in the national sense. He was quick to advertise the attributes of his beloved Erie, and while a cadet he "spread the word" to us of that community.

In Erie's Academy High School Joe won academic as well as social honors. He was president of his class, a member of the National Honor Society, and President of the Student Council.

In 1941, after high school, Joe entered Millard's Preparatory in Washington, and gained entrance into the Corps in 1942.

The same inspirational principles which guided Joe toward honors in high school served him well at West Point and as an Army officer.

At the Academy, Joe was meticulous in his military bearing, in the condition of his uniforms and in the other basic military items of "character molding." He was known as "spoony," and inspired others to neatness also. Joe's joviality and his sense of fair play gave him a reputation among the Fourth Classmen as a "Plebes' Friend"; nevertheless, he held to a policy of insisting on proper self-discipline, orderliness, and devotion to duty.

Joe's adherence to religious and moral issues was straight-forward and unwavering. He, however, was a man of tolerance and understanding in his relationships with his friends of other faiths and creeds.

Joe's trait of being one of the more "spoony" members of the Class of 1945 continued after graduation. He always kept himself and his uniform in immaculate condition. His participation in body-building sports was another manifestation of his self-disci-

in the Philippines and Japan. ROTC duty at the University of Vermont for three years provided challenge and attainment in the field of education. From there he went to Korea for a tour of duty in the 7th Inf Div. On his return from Korea, he was assigned to Camp Wolters, Tex., with duty as Inspector General, in which he served almost two years. He had been selected for attendance at the Command and General Staff College and was pursuing this course of instruction at the time of his death.

Records being factual and formal do not depict people as they exist in day-to-day life. Individual accomplishment is not so important as unit attainment. A star player is not so vital as the leader who can stimulate and influence others to perform as a well-disciplined team. Such was illustrated in the life of George Nelson.

While it is true that his life was too short and that so much remained for which to live, his friends and associates noted that no moment of time was wasted by George and he lived his life to the fullest. Though grief-stricken by his death, his wife and children were fortunate to have this thoughtful and



devoted association so intensely while he was here. George and Eleanor had a wonderful marriage. No parents could ask for any finer children than Victoria, 14; Cheryl, 13; Pamela 12; and George D. Nelson III, 9.

Although the Long Gray Line has added one more, the Army has suffered the serious loss of a brilliant and dedicated soldier. A classmate commented, "I only hope that when my turn comes to take my place, I can do so as honorably as George has done." Few have I ever known as worthy of the title "soldier" and more closely guided by the standard of "Duty, Honor, Country."

Harrison Perry

NO. 16493 CLASS OF 1948

Died 5 April 1961 in a plane crash near Johnson City, Tennessee, aged 35 years.

ON THE NIGHT of 5 April 1961, the crash of the L-19 on a mountainside near Johnson City, Tenn., brought death to Harrison Perry.

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As a result of this untimely accident his family has lost a beloved son and brother, his friends a true and trusted confidante, the Long Gray Line an exemplar of its highest standards, and the Army an outstanding officer whose accomplishments gave promise of a distinguished career in the senior ranks.

Hank possessed a really profound love and respect for the Military Academy. His dedication to the principles of duty, honor, and country so completely molded his personality that he could not condone inefficiency, insincerity, or immorality in anyone. Hank found discipline for himself in the military and academic training at the Military Academy where he finished with an excellent record in both accounts, for he was a cadet officer and graduated in the top 10% of his class. His further training at service schools was complemented by his graduate work at Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he earned his Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Hank's dedication to preparing himself for maximum service to others and to his country did not stop with performing well the duties assigned him. His assignment to the Military Assistance Advisory Group in Thailand is but one example of this. So determined was he to establish close working relationships with the Thai officers during his tour there that, before departing from the States, he learned their language on his own time and at his own expense. He was justifiably proud of this unique achievement and of his American garden in the jungles of Thailand. His genuine love for people and his unselfish desire to help those in need found expression in this tour in Thailand. His effectiveness was such that a year after his return to the United States he was still avidly corresponding with his Thai friends.

At each stage of his career, Hank brought to bear his accumulated training and newly acquired knowledge so that he could be of increasing service to others and to his country. Two examples of Hank's endeavor are reflected in his yearbook biography which points out that he spent "his time working; keeping himself in first sections and his free time keeping plebes in the Academy..." Of free time he had little, for the time he spent coaching deficient cadets totaled more than 450 hours during Second Class year alone. Though he was severe on himself, Hank's helping hand was always out to those in difficulty. As a cadet, he was kept busy not only by coaching cadets with academic problems, but also by managing the plebe track team, managing the squash team, capturing the Brigade championship in squash, and serving on the Honor Committee. This well-rounded development of the physical, the mental, and the moral sides of life was as important in Hank's life as the standard of excellence he set and pursued.

His classmates owe him a debt of gratitude for his characteristic thoroughness which marked his competent editorship of the 10-year book. The thankless job of shaking information and pictures from his far-flung classmates was one that few would have undertaken and still fewer would have completed.

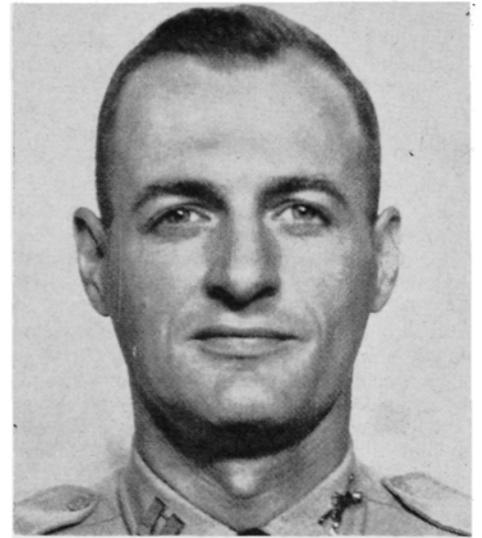
Hank was a person who was more attracted to one's capabilities than to one's limitations. He made himself the epitome of his own ideals, and, as an example and instructor to others, he exerted an influence that has not ended with his untimely death. Those whom he educated during his tour as an instructor at the newly established Non-commissioned Officers' Academy in Munich

and during his tour with the Department of Mechanics at USMA will continue to show the influence of Hank Perry long after his name may have slipped from their minds. We are sure that this is the way that Hank, never a self-seeker, would have desired his memory to be perpetuated.

It has been said, "The highest reward for a man's toil is not what he gets for it, but what he becomes by it." To this, Hank would surely have added, "... and what he helps others to become by it," for his personal development was coupled with an outward orientation, his self-discipline was corollary to the improvement of others, his acquisitions were always destined for dissemination.

He found within himself the ability to enjoy and appreciate life on his own terms — a gift which is rare in our society of togetherness. He was an insatiable traveler and sought whatever the cultures Europe, the Middle East, and the Far East offered, but he was equally at home on a weekend camping trip to the solitude of the mountains.

There are those who must share their experiences with others and who need the applause from the stands as reward for their



efforts, and then there are those very rare individuals who dedicate themselves to their tasks and accept as a reward the knowledge that they have contributed something of lasting value to the world in which they live. In the front rank of these selfless few we place Harrison Perry.

William Harold Kellum

NO. 17975 CLASS OF 1950

Died 15 June 1951 (presumed date) at Pyoktong, North Korea, aged 24 years.

COURAGE AND DETERMINATION. These were words by which 1st Lieutenant William H. Kellum lived, fought, and died. Bill Kellum's dedication to these words constitutes a capsule explanation of his outstanding athletic achievements, his extraordinary gallantry on the field of battle, and his uncompromising attitude toward his Chinese captors which was directly responsible for his untimely, tragic, but highly courageous and exemplary death.

It is clear that Colonel Earl "Red" Blaik, under whose tutelage Bill achieved All-East honors at the position of end in addition to three football letters, two of them with Navy stars, was impressed by these characteristics of courage and determination, as he recently recalled that:

Bill Kellum... in his quiet, rather self-effacing, but uncompromising way... had a depth of determination which would not allow him to play a secondary position even though to do otherwise he was forced to overcome a limited... (physique by college football standards). Bill's competitive urge had a ferocity of purpose which earned him the lasting respect of the troops both on the field of play and on the field of battle.

Again, courage and determination are amply evident in Lieutenant Kellum's combat record as illustrated by the following excerpts from his Silver Star citation:

... He was assigned the mission of maintaining a combat outpost approximately 3,000 yards in front of the main line of resistance... At the break of day, he could observe the enemy almost completely around his position. Realizing the threat to his security, he immediately began placing his men to meet the new threat... He ran from position to position, continually exposing himself to the enemy fire, in order to encourage his men and direct the fire fight. When last seen, he was running toward the right flank of his platoon to direct that group of men who were then heavily engaged with the enemy...

But there was more to Bill Kellum than athletic and military achievements, more even than courage and determination. He was a man of many capabilities and interests, a man who is remembered for his ready grin as well as his courage, a man considerate of and deeply attached to his family, and a man of strong beliefs in God and dedication to country and career. An account which does justice to Bill's achievements and character cannot be told hit and miss; it must have a chronological foundation.

So let us back track to Eastland, Tex., on 20 October 1926, Bill's date of birth. He was a strong, healthy baby which gave him a good start towards being the outdoor, athletic type he turned out to be. Bill received his elementary education in Sulphur Springs, Tex., and El Dorado, Ark. His high school education was at Haynesville, La., where in recognition of good grades and citizenship he was elected a member of the National Honor Society.

In forecast of football exploits at West Point, Bill was a much respected terror on high school football fields. He made All-State two years and All-Southern one year playing the position of end. Let us look briefly at excerpts from newspaper accounts of games in which he played, for courage and determination were as evident then as they were to be years later playing for higher stakes in Korea:

... Kellum is a scrapper from whistle to gun... his fine competitive spirit is an inspiration to his teammates... in spite of the fact that opposing coaches have had their linemen double up on the lanky wingman, he has been a standout in every game with his jarring tackles, precision blocking, and fancy pass catching...

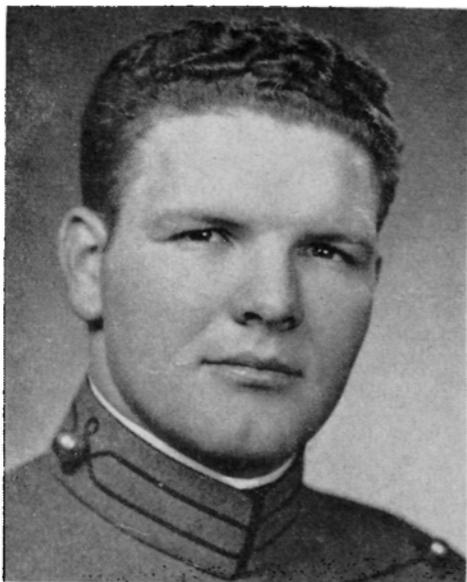
Of course, football was not Bill's only avocation. He was greatly interested in scouting, an interest which may have been given impetus by the action of a Boy Scout who saved him from death from gasoline fumes

at the age of four by administering artificial respiration. Bill was also an active member of the First Baptist Church. Another sporting interest, swimming, he turned to profitable use as he served as manager and life guard of the Haynesville City Pool during high school days.

Bill was close to his family in growing up. He and his brother, Herman, now a doctor, were inseparable. In the one letter he was able to write home from prison camp, Bill's primary concern was not for his own situation, but rather for news of Herman's first child. In Bill's words,

... Have been thinking about (the family) a lot and have wondered greatly about the new addition to the family... Let the kid know about his Uncle Bill.

Bill's favorite fishing partner was his father who continually encouraged him in his athletic and career ambitions. Bill was close to and always considerate of his mother, never failing in the years he was away from home to call her on special occasions. His only and younger sister, Beth, was the recipient of



much advice as well as special concern and protection. An age difference of 12 years was no barrier between Bill and his younger brother, Joe, whose active approach to life was so similar to Bill's.

Thus did William H. Kellum's full boyhood prepare him for the responsibilities of manhood.

Upon finishing high school, Bill served five months in the US Navy in the closing months of World War II. While in the Navy, he won a "golden gloves" championship, evidence of his interest and competence in the "manly art of self-defense," an interest which was to bring further laurels at West Point.

As a recipient of an appointment to the US Military Academy, Bill left the Navy to attend Louisiana State University where he found time amidst his West Point preparatory studies to be first-string end on the football team and to win a second place medal in the ROTC boxing matches.

Matriculating to West Point in July 1946, Bill, by graduation day, 6 June 1950, was able to leave an enviable record behind him. Bill's football exploits have already been related. In boxing, he won many more bouts than he lost. Skinny for a heavyweight, Bill is still remembered at West Point and by classmates around the world for "cutting down to his size" ring opponents who outweighed him frequently by as much as 50 pounds. Herb Kroeten, one of his boxing coaches, ac-

counts for Bill's success (he went to the semi-finals of the Eastern Intercollegiate Championships one year and was elected co-captain of the boxing team his First Class year) by recalling his willingness "to take on anything."

Athletics were not Bill's only interests at West Point. He was a member of the Fishing Club and the Radio Club and ranked relatively high militarily. However, Bill is remembered by his classmates as much for his personality as for his more objective achievements. The HOWITZER was indeed right in asserting that "Bill's warm Southern personality and ready humor will be long remembered by the Class of '50."

Only a few short months after graduation, Bill, in company with so many of his classmates, was called upon to utilize his West Point training on the field of battle sooner than he or anyone else expected. His country and his Alma Mater did not find him wanting! As a platoon leader of Company G, 21st Inf, he distinguished himself on the field of battle, being awarded the Bronze Star Medal for valor, the Silver Star, and the Purple Heart. He had every reason to write home proudly when he was promoted to 1st lieutenant only five months after graduation. Excerpts have already been quoted from his Silver Star citation. Equally stirring and indicative of his courageous spirit and military leadership are the following excerpts from his Bronze Star citation:

During his regiment's advance his platoon was the leading element... With complete disregard for safety Lieutenant Kellum exposed himself to a hail of withering fire in order to place his men in positions affording the maximum fire power and control. Moving far forward he directed the effective fire of friendly artillery and mortars... He then led an assault... routing the enemy... and permitting the continued advance of the regiment...

Captured during an action in which he was heroically leading his platoon in defending a combat outpost 3,000 yards in front of the main line of resistance, Lieutenant Kellum was taken to a prison camp in Pyoktong in North Korea. Here he faced his final and perhaps his most formidable test of courage. A classmate whom Bill assisted while he himself was weak and sick reports that:

... under these difficult conditions Bill was a model soldier. He resisted his captors' every effort to organize a mass indoctrination program in the officers' compound, and did more than his share of the work in helping his fellow prisoners to survive...

In spite of a complete lack of care and only crackers and rice for food, Bill, by sheer determination, recovered from flu, only to incur the wrath of the Chinese for organizing the ambulatory soldiers at what was, in name only, the prison camp's hospital. Thrown into detention in a part of the "hospital" from which no prisoners ever emerged alive, Bill died a hero's death staunchly defending his convictions and the traditions of his Alma Mater and country. Fellow prisoners report that Bill's death occurred approximately 15 June 1951, a date which is much more accurate than the year end date, 31 December 1951, assumed in AG official records.

In their tremendous and irreplaceable loss, Bill's surviving parents and brothers and sister have been strengthened by a justifiable pride shared by friends, classmates, and fellow officers in a man who died as he lived, courageous and determined to be true to his own high ideals whatever the danger, whatever the personal sacrifice.

—R. P. L. '50

ASSEMBLY

LAST ROLL CALL

Reports of deaths of graduates and former cadets received
since the publication of the Fall 1961 ASSEMBLY

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
Charles H. McKinstry.....	1888	29 November	1961.....Santa Barbara, California
Jay E. Hoffer.....	1892	4 January	1962.....Fairfield, Connecticut
George F. Hamilton.....	1894	18 December	1961.....Los Angeles, California
Perry L. Miles.....	1895	17 October	1961.....Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Verne L. Rockwell.....	1900	31 October	1961.....Smithtown, New York
Jacob A. Mack.....	1904	17 March	1961.....US Naval Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina
Alvin B. Barber.....	1905	16 September	1961.....Sibley Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Bernard Lentz.....	1905	13 December	1961.....St. Albans Naval Hospital, Long Island, New York
Charles T. Harris, Jr.....	1907	24 December	1961.....Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
John R. Peyton.....	Ex-1907	7 October	1961.....Jacksonville, Florida
Francis A. Doniat.....	1909	6 June	1961.....Chicago, Illinois
Robert L. Eichelberger.....	1909	26 September	1961.....Asheville, North Carolina
Ronald D. Johnson.....	1909	27 November	1961.....Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Stanley M. Rumbough.....	1909	16 December	1961.....New York, New York
Joseph E. Carberry.....	1910	12 November	1961.....Alhambra, California
Maurice D. Welty.....	1910	24 September	1961.....VA Hospital, Waco, Texas
John L. Homer.....	1911	27 September	1961.....Illinois Central Hospital, Chicago, Illinois
Max S. Murray.....	1911	23 September	1961.....Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
Harold S. Martin.....	1913	26 November	1961.....San Diego, California
William E. Shipp.....	1916	2 November	1961.....Near Berryville, Virginia
Edward F. Shaifer.....	Ex-1916	28 October	1961.....Laredo, Texas
Otto M. Jank.....	Aug. 1917	2 December	1961.....Washington, D.C.
James C. Cullens, Jr.....	Nov. 1918	11 December	1961.....Dinard (Ille-et-Vilaine), France
Farrin A. Hillard.....	Nov. 1918	21 June	1961.....USAF Hospital, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
James V. Cole.....	1919	25 September	1961.....VA Hospital, Martinsburg, West Virginia
Robert L. Johnson.....	1919	13 September	1961.....United Hospital, Port Chester, New York
Horace P. Sampson.....	1919	8 September	1961.....Seattle, Washington
Wilbert E. Shallene.....	1920	21 December	1961.....Austin, Texas
Clifford A. Taney, Jr.....	1920	28 October	1961.....Minneapolis, Minnesota
Burwell B. Wilkes, Jr.....	1921	29 August	1961.....Durant, Mississippi
Stuart A. Beckley.....	1923	19 December	1961.....VA Hospital, Martinsburg, West Virginia
Elwyn D. Post.....	1923	26 September	1961.....Monterey, California
George E. Elliott.....	1924	8 November	1961.....San Jose, California
Melvin E. Meister.....	1924	19 March	1961.....Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado
John L. DePew.....	1925	15 November	1961.....Palto Alto, California
John H. Dulligan.....	1925	22 January	1961.....Downey, California
Lawton Butler.....	1927	24 December	1961.....San Antonio, Texas
Edward M. Markham, Jr.....	1928	25 September	1961.....Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C.
Carl A. Brandt.....	1930	23 December	1961.....Shalimar, Florida
Arnold L. Schroeder.....	1932	8 September	1961.....Long Beach, California
William A. Hunt.....	1933	17 October	1961.....Great Lakes Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Illinois
Ernest C. Parks, Jr.....	Ex-1934	27 September	1961.....Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado
Monte J. Hickok, Jr.....	1937	19 October	1961.....Queen's Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaii
Henry M. Spengler.....	1937	10 October	1961.....Helicopter crash at Hohenfels, Germany
Robert Pennell.....	1939	19 December	1961.....Fort Sill, Oklahoma
Everett D. Light.....	1940	10 October	1961.....Helicopter crash at Hohenfels, Germany
George D. Nelson, Jr.....	1945	15 September	1961.....Fort Leavenworth, Kansas



