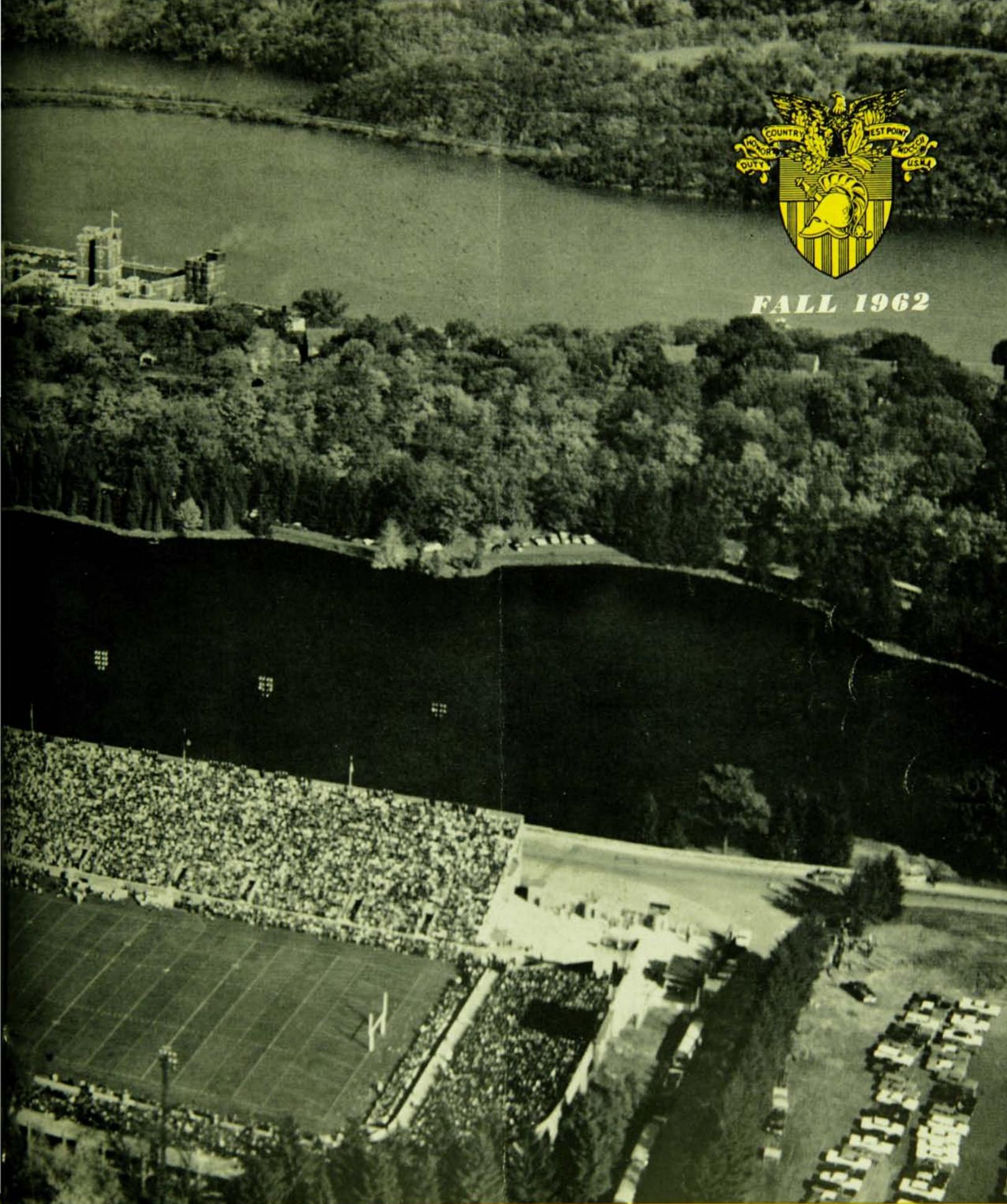


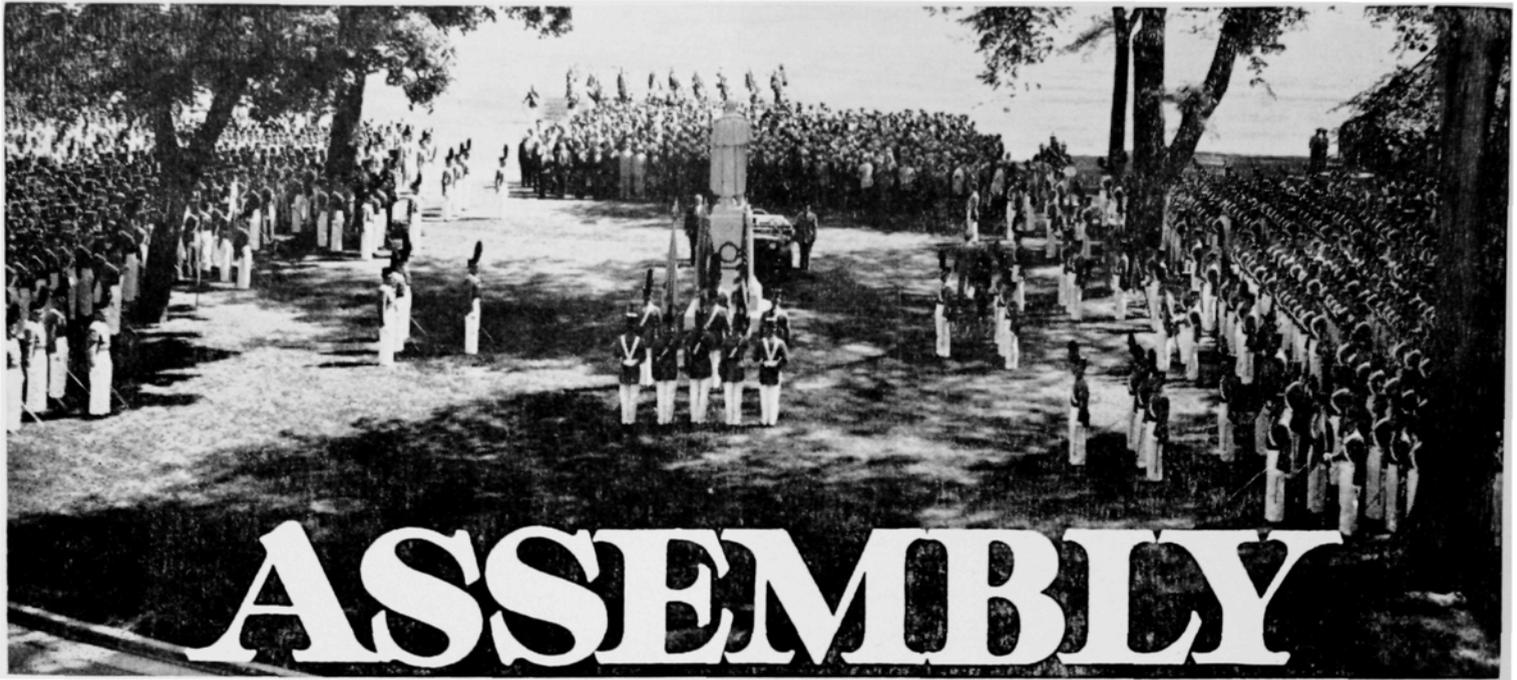


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# PLAIN TALK



Dear Fellow Members of the Association:

Events of the Military Academy's 161st year which already have become history lead us to believe that the year ahead will be one of marked accomplishment and achievement. We have concluded a highly successful period of summer training. Following a week of reorganization, the Corps has been placed under the leadership of the Class of 1963. The staff and faculty, as well as cadets, are now faced with the challenges of another academic year as classes have resumed and the emphasis moves from tactical to academic subjects.

Curriculum revisions at West Point are not limited solely to academic subjects. We are constantly striving to make more effective every phase of the Academy's program. Accordingly we have made significant progress in our military training programs conducted during the past summer.

This year the Beast Barracks Detail assumed increased leadership and training responsibilities with highly satisfying results. Instruction of the New Cadets was handled within the chain of command rather than by committee system as in former years.

Before New Cadet Barracks began, Second Classmen selected for this detail were prepared for their summer responsibilities during a period of June Encampment. In addition, their schedule provided for visits to the Signal Center at Fort Monmouth; the Submarine Base at New London, Conn.; a nearby Air Defense site; and Stewart Air Force Base.

The new First Class received an important part of their branch orientation by visiting Benning, Sill, Bliss, Knox, and Belvoir prior to splitting up, during the months of July and August, for leave and further duty in one of three assignments—New Cadet Barracks, Camp Buckner, or Army Orientation Training.

Our third year's experience with the Army Orientation Program has been extremely gratifying. This phase of the cadets' training provides first-hand knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the junior officer in a tactical organization. Approximately 500 cadets of the First and Second Classes joined combat units overseas for 30 days' training. This year for the first time, 25 cadets were assigned to the 25th Inf Div in Hawaii in addition to units in Germany (including Berlin) as in previous years.

The Class of 1965 received 7 weeks of summer training at Camp Buckner. This was a period of concentrated, rigorous field activity which provided advanced individual military training and an introduction to basic unit training in the five combat arms. This year's program was almost exclusively devoted to field work. The normal lecture gave way to demonstration and practical exercises. Integrated into the majority of the tactical exercises were marches and instruction in field craft with frequent overnight tactical bivouacs. Much of the training used counterinsurgency situations and methods of operation in this environment.

The capstone of the Buckner program was RECONDO (a hybrid word—contraction of reconnaissance and commando), a week of Ranger-type training presenting a demanding physical and strong psychological challenge. The cadets bivouacked in the field and received little rest while participating in day-and night-patrolling, hand-to-hand combat, mountaineering, speed marching, and confidence exercises.

As in the summer of 1961, cadets made exchange visits to the military academies of Mexico and Germany. Six language-qualified cadets of the Second Class, accompanied by an officer from the Foreign Languages Department, visited Heroico Colegio Militar. A similar group trained with German cadets at Heeresoffizierschule. The Academy, in turn, was host to representative groups of the Mexican and German Military Academies who participated in one phase of the program for the Third Classmen at Camp Buckner. Although the number

of cadets involved in this exchange program is small, the results achieved in promoting closer ties and fostering understanding have been impressive.

The summer training period provided an opportunity for three cadets of the Class of 1963, selected from 96 volunteers, to participate in OPERATION Crossroads Africa. Our cadet representatives joined students from more than 70 American and Canadian colleges in this project that has as its goal the building of understanding between the peoples of Africa and the United States. Participants worked with African students and villagers in building rural schools and other community facilities in the newly emerging African countries.

During the first week of September, five cadets of the Military Academy, five midshipmen, and five Air Force Academy cadets traveled to Brazil to participate in Independence Day ceremonies on 7 September. The cadets, organized as a color guard, marched in the Independence Day parade and participated in wreath-laying ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Rio de Janeiro. Their itinerary also included a trip to the Brazilian Military Academy.

Our cadet Rifle and Pistol Clubs once again achieved great distinction in competition at the National Matches at Camp Perry, Ohio. At the conclusion of almost 2 weeks of competition which commenced on 16 August, the Pistol Club received 5 team awards and 27 individual awards while the Rifle Club won awards in 6 team matches, received 37 individual and place awards (including two Distinguished Rifleman Badges), and for the second consecutive year won the National Intercollegiate Team Championship and returned the Minute-Man Trophy to West Point.

The Class of 1966 that entered 807 strong appears to be excellent material. A class profile listing their achievements prior to coming to the Military Academy appears in the Bulletin Board on page 3 of this issue.

The availability of one of the finest on-campus skiing facilities in the United States has prompted us to add skiing to the Physical Education Program for the 1962-63 academic year. The course will be presented as an elective and approximately one-half of the Third Class will be receiving 14 hours of instruction. Skiing has also been added to the winter intramural program.

A new cross-country course was officially opened on 21 September. The course follows a trail rich in historical tradition and is alleged to be one of the best in the country.

Elsewhere in this issue you will find an article on the career of Colonel Charles W. West, Professor and Head of the Department of Law, who retired on 31 October. Colonel West, a graduate of the Class of 1920, was honored at a retirement review by the Corps of Cadets and received the best wishes of the entire staff and faculty after more than 40 years of dedicated service to the Army which included 18 years as Professor of Law. Colonel Frederick C. Lough, Associate Professor of Law since 1960, has now assumed the duties of Head of the Department of Law.

The several building projects are progressing on schedule. The new permanent stands at Michie Stadium were used for the first time at the opening game with Wake Forest. Excellent seats are now available for 29,425 football spectators.

As we complete our fall activities and start on our winter program of studies and sports, we will be untiring in our efforts to make this year one of outstanding achievement.

Best wishes from West Point.

Sincerely yours,

W. C. WESTMORELAND  
Major General, USA  
Superintendent

# Bulletin Board

## LOST & FOUND

*After the Alumni Dinner Dance in Washington Hall on Saturday, 13 October: three pairs of ladies' evening gloves.*

### 1ST SQUADRON, 11TH CAVALRY

Wehrle Jan '43 seeks assistance in determining former commanders of the 1st Squadron, 11th Cavalry, between 1901 and 1942. Presently identified are:

1913—Howze '88  
1916—Jenkins '87  
1923—Chandler '07  
1924—Doak '07  
1930—Stearns '09  
1940—Harrold '25

Wehrle needs a photograph of each previous commander of the 1st Squadron; he has just sent individual requests to Stearns and Doak, and to the sons of Jenkins and Howze. Of particular concern at the moment is reaching the next of kin of Chandler. Any replies should be addressed to:

Commanding Officer  
Hq 1st Reconnaissance Squadron  
11th Armored Cavalry  
APO 305, New York, N.Y.

### PRE-GAME RALLY

The Defense Clothing and Textile Supply Center will play host to active and retired Army and Air Force officers and their wives and guests attending the Army-Navy Foot-

ball Game on Saturday, 1 December 1962. This Center has become the traditional meeting place before and after the game.

On Friday evening, 30 November, at 2030 hours, there will be a pre-game Army rally at the Center at 2800 South 20th Street, Philadelphia. Guests will be entertained by the USMA Glee Club. Maj. Gen. William C. Westmoreland, Superintendent of the Academy, will attend. Bus service will be available between the Center and the Sansom Street entrance of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel that night from 1930 hours until midnight.

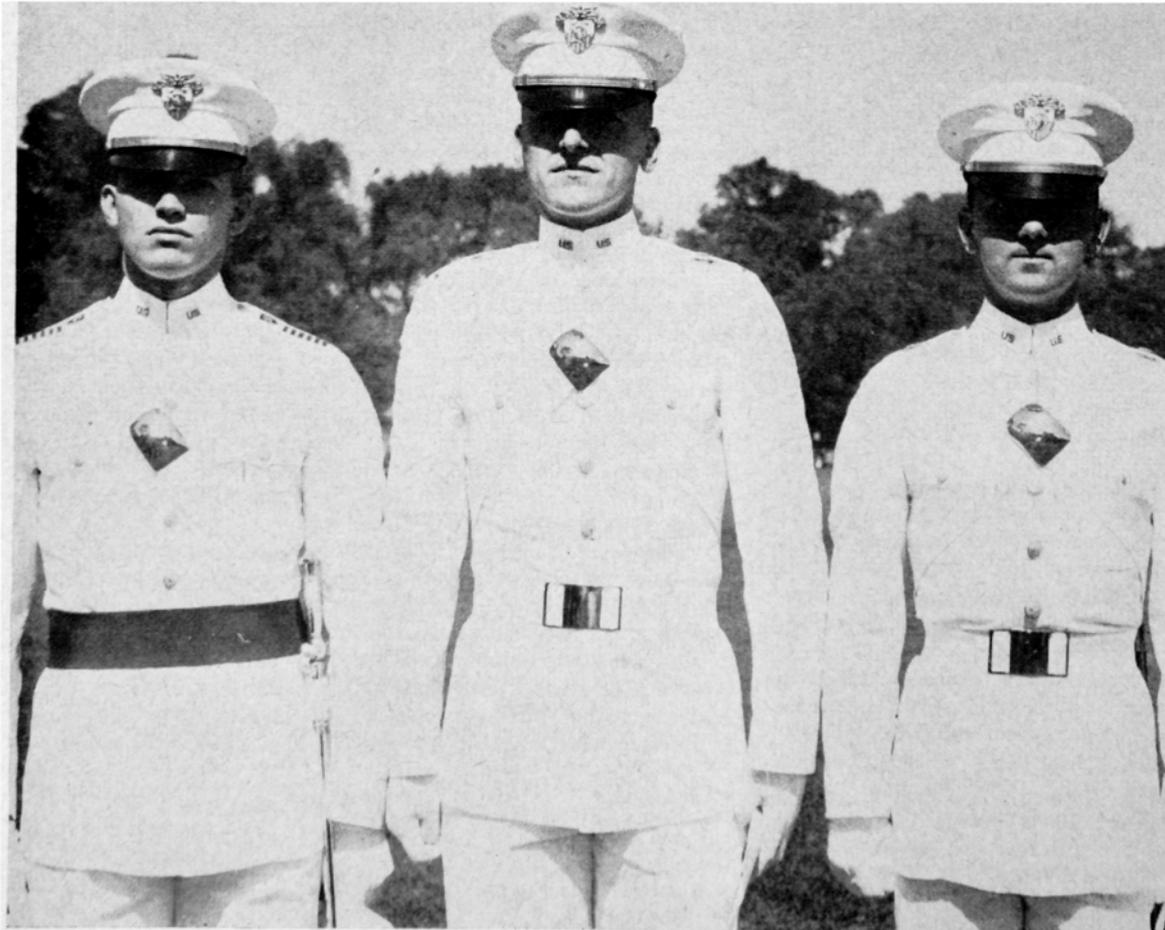
On Saturday morning, breakfast will be served at the Defense Clothing and Textile Supply Center. In the evening a cafeteria-style dinner will be available with dancing to follow.

Free parking space at the Center and PTC bus transportation to and from the football stadium will make local transportation easy for the visitors.

See page 11 for more details.

### MINIATURE CLASS RINGS

The USMA Library is seeking information concerning the origin of miniature class rings (diminutive replicas of USMA class rings). If you can help, please write to Mr. Egon Weiss, Acting Librarian, USMA Library, West Point, N.Y.



Winners of Association of Graduates awards for outstanding military efficiency, and leadership during academic year 1961-62. Left to right: Lloyd T. Asbury '63, Richard A. Chilcoat '64, Louis S. Csoka '65.



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No. 6—Chapel

### WEST POINT SCENES

Mrs. Elizabeth O'Neill Verner is a recognized artist from Charleston, S.C. While visiting West Point to see a nephew who was a cadet during the 1940's, she made the pencil drawings which are illustrated here. In response to requests about their availability, the following information is offered.

They are unframed, and measure 10 by 13½ inches. Single prints cost \$5; the complete set of six is \$25. They may be ordered by writing to Mrs. R. P. Reeder, 1015 Merritt Road, West Point, N.Y.

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### CLASS OF 1966

#### OVERALL FIGURES

Number nominated and examined	2952
Number qualified on entrance examinations (academic, physical aptitude, and medical)	1419
Number admitted	807*
Number qualified for admission but no vacancy available	612
*Includes five foreign students not included in other statistics.	

#### SECONDARY SCHOOL BACKGROUND

	Number	%
From public schools	662	82.5
From private schools	140	17.5

#### RANK IN CLASS

Top quintile	625	77.9
Second quintile	139	17.3
Third quintile	36	4.5
Fourth quintile	2	.3
Bottom quintile	0	.0
Valedictorians	53	6.6
Salutatorians	34	4.2

#### CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN SECONDARY SCHOOL

President of student body or senior class	116	14.5
Editor of school publication	87	10.8
Athletic team captain	232	28.9
All-State or All-Conference athletic award winner	170	21.2
Debate team member	124	15.5
Boys' State delegate	161	20.1
Club President	299	37.3
Eagle Scout	101	12.6

#### COLLEGE BOARD SCORES

Range	Aptitude †		Achievement †	
	Verbal	Math	English Comp.	Math
700-800	4.7	20.8	7.4	23.6
600-699	30.4	53.2	29.7	46.9
500-599	45.5	24.3	41.8	27.1
400-499	19.0	1.7	20.1	2.4
300-399	0.4	0.0	1.0	0.0
Mean	569	644	573	641

† Percentages.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION

Cadets were admitted from every state in the Union, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Panama Canal Zone, Philippine Islands, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, and Panama.

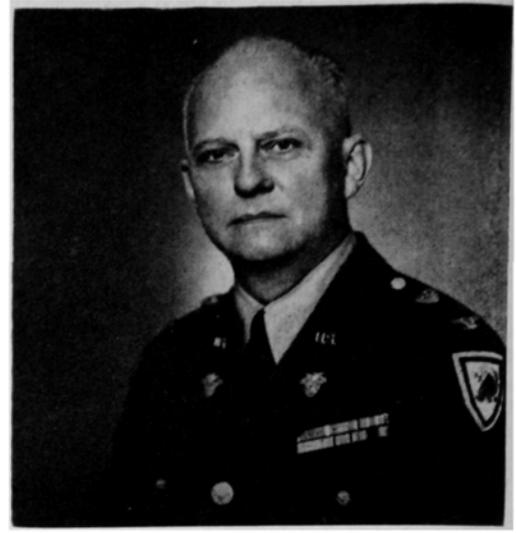
#### COLLEGE BACKGROUND

There were 238 cadets (29.7%) who had a semester or more of college prior to admission to USMA.

#### SONS OF ALUMNI

There were 50 sons of Military Academy graduates (6.2% of the class). Four more, turned back from the Class of 1965, joined prior to the start of the academic year.

DISTINGUISHED 43-YEAR ARMY  
CAREER CLIMAXED BY NEARLY 19 YEARS  
AS PROFESSOR AND HEAD  
OF USMA LAW DEPARTMENT



# COLONEL WEST RETIRES

On 31 October 1962, Colonel Charles Whitney West retired from active duty as the Professor of Law, United States Military Academy, after more than 43 years of active service. Upon his retirement, he was promoted to the grade of brigadier general in recognition of his long and distinguished service. Colonel West's service covered a span of nearly a quarter of a century with the Law Department. He was instrumental in the law training of over half of the cadets ever graduated from the Military Academy. It may accurately be stated that no one has more profoundly affected the training in law of the Long Gray Line. Perhaps no more apt description of his entire period of dedicated service as Professor of Law could be composed than that contained in an early citation covering a 2-year period. The citation issued in connection with the award of the Legion of Merit in 1945 reads, in part, "... He devised new courses and methods of instruction that were outstandingly successful in equipping graduates with essential legal knowledge. As Professor, member of the Academic Board and other important boards and committees, he demonstrated exceptional skill in educating and indoctrinating future officers, and contributed

in great degree to the success of the Military Academy."

Colonel West was born in Natchez, Mississippi, on 3 October 1898. It has been stated that "The Old South still lives at Natchez on the Mississippi—its historic charm and culture defy description." Colonel West's boyhood days in this environment, without question, had a lasting effect in the development of the personal charm and warmth that have characterized his personality throughout his lengthy career. After receiving his early education in the public schools of the city, he graduated from Natchez High School in 1915. Brief but valuable practical experience in the business world followed during a 2-year period of employment with the Standard Oil Company. This commercial employment was abruptly terminated, however, when he enlisted in the Army as the United States entered World War I in April 1917. Ensuing events were to have a lasting effect on his future endeavors. First serving as a private at Jackson Barracks, La., until September 1917, he was then promoted to the grade of corporal and transferred to Camp Pike, Ark. No doubt this early experience as an enlisted man served in good stead in later years. While stationed at Camp Pike, diligent effort and long hours of study enabled



Colonel West and the officers of the Law Department in 1962

the young Charles West to win a Regular Army competitive appointment to West Point—the culmination of a great ambition. In June 1918, he entered the Military Academy as a cadet. After the period of intensive training that was pursued during those critical years in our nation's history, Cadet West graduated 15 June 1920 and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army. Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe, Va., followed. After completing the Basic Course in 1921 he was ordered to duty at Key West Barracks, Fla., where he commanded the 77th Company (12-inch guns), CAC, until September 1922. It was during this period that he met Hortense Marie Guiteras, daughter of Dr. Gregorio M. Guiteras, United States Public Health Service, and Maria Hortensia Aranguren. They were married on 22 September 1922. This propitious marriage was to bring into the Army, as Colonel West's partner, a most helpful companion for the many years of important service that followed. Known to close friends as "Horty," Mrs. West



New Cadet West taking a break during Plebe Hike in 1918.

has always been ready, with her warm charm and hospitable manner, to administer the many social amenities of Army life. The Wests' many friends remember with pleasure the many times Horty was their gracious hostess.

After a honeymoon trip to Cuba and Mississippi, Lieutenant West and his vivacious bride sailed for Honolulu. Reporting for duty in the Hawaiian Department on 8 December 1922, he was assigned command of the 105th Company, CAC, and later assigned as the post adjutant of Fort Ruger for about 2 years. Returning to the mainland in the fall of 1925, Lieutenant West was assigned to duty at Fort Barrancas, Fla., to command Battery B, 13th Coast Artillery (3-inch antiaircraft guns). Under his skillful command, this organization took first place in target practice competition among all antiaircraft batteries in the Army and was awarded the "E" for general excellence by the Chief of Coast Artillery. A detail as regimental adjutant and plans and training officer at the same station followed. In September 1929, Lieutenant West was again assigned as a student officer at the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe, and completed the Battery Officers' Course in August 1930 at which time he was ordered to the Panama Canal Department for assignment to duty at Fort Randolph as post adjutant.

A promising career as a Coast Artillery officer was ended when, in August 1931, orders were received detailing him in the Judge Advocate General's Department for assignment at Washington, D.C., as a student in the George Washington University Law School. His natural aptitude for the law coupled with diligent effort resulted in a rapid rise to the upper 10% of his class and in selection as a member of the Law Review Staff. Upon completion of 3

years' study he graduated with honors in 1934 receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Shortly thereafter Lieutenant West was admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia (now the United States District Court for the District of Columbia) and soon thereafter to the Bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. With these qualifications and scholarly attainments he then began in earnest what soon was to become a most distinguished career as a Judge Advocate.

Lieutenant West was assigned for several months on temporary duty in the Military Affairs Section of the Judge Advocate General's Office in the War Department until August 1934, when he was ordered to West Point for duty as assistant Staff Judge Advocate and instructor in the Department of Law at the United States Military Academy. He could not have anticipated that this would be the first of over 24 years to be spent with the Law Department at West Point. Thus was launched a period of distinguished service at the Academy. On 1 August 1935 he was promoted to the rank of captain, JAGD, and served at the Academy in that grade until the summer of 1939 when orders were received assigning him to duty in the Judge Advocate General's Office. In those pre-World War II years his experience and legal acumen were sorely needed. Assigned to the Military Affairs Division, successive advancement followed from junior officer of the Division to branch chief to division executive officer and finally division chief. During the rapidly accelerating period of preparedness and expansion of our armed forces that transpired at this time, with countless statutes being enacted by the Congress affecting the operation and enlargement of our armed forces, the Military Affairs Division occupied one of the more vital segments of the Judge Advocate General's Staff. Often referred to as the "Phi Beta Kappa" division of the office, it dealt with problems of a legal complexity that would challenge the most astute of legal minds. Statutes had to be drafted for submission to the Congress. Laws enacted required analysis and interpretation. Regulations implementing the legislation had to be promulgated and carefully scrutinized for legality. All of the foregoing had to be accomplished at top speed to meet vital deadlines. It was recognized that as chief of this division, Colonel West occupied one of the most difficult and important administrative "desks" in the War Department. This position required the supervision and coordination of the work of between 20 and 30 lawyers who were engaged in drafting much of our wartime legislation as well as solving many of the knotty legal problems arising out of the war. He served in that division continu-



Captain West supervising Law Department written general review in 1937.



Colonel West at his desk in the Law Department in 1962.

ously for about 4 years during the time of the unprecedented expansion of the Army and early part of the World War II. Many of the opinions prepared during that period, often involving novel concepts and doctrines never before encountered, still serve as valuable precedent and source of reference for some of the difficult problems of law that arise today. Concurrently he was legal advisor to the War Department Reorganization Board headed by General McNarney in 1942. During this assignment, Colonel West was admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States on 15 October 1940; and successive promotions to the grade of major on 1 July 1940, to lieutenant colonel on 1 January 1942, and finally to colonel on 7 July 1942 occurred.

In September 1943, with the impending retirement of Colonel William M. Connor, then Professor of Law, Colonel West was ordered to the Academy. This was a significant interval in the history of the Academy. The future direction to be taken in the curriculum and training mission was subject to much discussion and study. It was evident that a man of stature, maturity, and experience was needed as Professor of Law. No doubt selected, in part, because of the reputation he achieved in Washington, Colonel West became Professor of Law upon the retirement of Colonel Connor on 1 February 1944. He served continuously as Head of the Department since that date. While serving as Professor of Law, in July 1944, orders were received from the War Department detailing him on temporary duty for 3 months as recorder of the Army Pearl Harbor Board. The significant contributions made by this Board, during the course of its investigations and by its final report, to the maintenance of our nation's defenses may not be overemphasized. For security reasons little publicity was ever given to the activities of the Board. As initially constituted it consisted of a lieutenant general, two major generals, and Colonel West. However, before its extensive investigations were completed, the board had utilized the services of a staff of about 75 persons and conducted lengthy hearings in Washington, San Francisco, and Honolulu, performing all travel by air and meeting a most intensive schedule.

As Professor of Law, Colonel West became head of a department almost as old as the Academy itself, a department which previously had been headed by many distinguished military lawyers such as Lieber, Winthrop, Davis, Bethel, and Kreger. This proud heritage was to be enhanced as it moved forward under Colonel West's direction.

With the close of World War II, a complete revision of the curriculum was necessitated—a revision incorporating those aspects of former courses found through past experi-

ence to be essential to meet the anticipated requirements of the future. As an example, consideration had to be given to an appropriate recognition of the rapidly changing law relating to military justice, a change which culminated in the enactment of the Uniform Code of Military Justice in 1950. The law course was expanded from the wartime 45-hour, one-term course to a full year, 90-hour course given the First Class. Throughout an extended interval of rapid change and progressive expansion the over-all criteria followed in planning course content, as expressed by Colonel West, has been: "It might be inferred from... our rather comprehensive course that one who successfully completes it would be, for all practical purposes, a fairly good attorney. However, it should be borne in mind that the total time allotted to the subject is the equivalent of only about 6 weeks at law school. Furthermore, in view of our mission, we endeavor to give future line officers only the requisite amount of legal training to perform their duties as such, while sparing no effort to avoid producing any so-called 'guardhouse lawyers.'" With this fundamental objective in mind, Colonel West effectively guided the course content and approach in order to strike a careful blending of the views of those who advocated a purely practical approach with those that advocated a purely philosophical approach. Under his guidance a textbook in Elementary Law was published as well as voluminous materials covering Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Evidence, and Military Law, all containing a carefully selected blending of actual cases and text discussions. This material was tailored to meet the precise requirements of the law course at the Military Academy.

Colonel West was awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from September 1943 to August 1945. At a retirement review on 18 October 1962 he was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit for the period from September 1945 to October 1962. The citation concluded with the following appropriate summary: "His self-discipline, dignity, and strong stability in assuring purposeful direction of all actions are attested to by the position of high esteem which the Department of Law enjoys from all echelons of Academy life. Colonel West's long and distinguished performance of duty represents outstanding achievement in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army and reflects the utmost credit upon himself, the United States Military Academy, and the Military Service." In addition to the foregoing, he has been awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service from 7 December 1941 to 15 July 1942, and the following Service medals: World War I Victory Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

Colonel and Mrs. West are the parents of three children. Hortense Marie, born at Honolulu, Hawaii, is the wife of Major Eleazar Parmly IV, USMA 1946, who is now serving with the Department of Tactics at West Point. Charles Whitney Jr., born at Matanzas, Cuba, and a graduate of Cornell University, is a management consultant with McKinsey & Company, Inc., in New York City. Their younger son is Thomas Cato, born in Washington, D.C., USMA 1955, who is now an Army captain serving as a helicopter pilot in South Vietnam.

With the retirement of Colonel West, the United States Army, West Point, and the Law Department have lost the services of a true leader and scholar. His absence will long be felt. However, as he turns toward retirement, the best wishes of all go with him.

# SHAKESPEARE...

By COLONEL RUSSELL K. ALSPACH

Professor and Head of the USMA

Department of English

**I**N any group discussing Shakespeare, someone is always sure to ask, "But didn't Bacon write Shakespeare?" The question has never been better answered than in the late Professor J. Q. Adams's words, "The Baconians know a lot about Bacon, but nothing about Shakespeare."

William Shakespeare was born on 23 April 1564, six years after the accession of Queen Elizabeth, the extraordinary woman who gave her name to the greatest period of English literature—the Elizabethan period.

His birth took place at Stratford-on-Avon in the heart of the beautiful English countryside. That countryside doubtless made a great impression on a sensitive boy, and probably it was here that he first found "tongues in trees, and books in the running brooks."

He likely had the usual grammar school education of the day: Latin, Greek, and the three R's. We know his father had financial troubles and it is probable that Shakespeare left school rather early. What he did then we don't know. Tradition says he was caught poaching at one time on the estate of Sir Thomas Lucy; tradition also says that he got a job in a butcher's shop as an apprentice. Aubrey, his earliest biographer, remarks that young William made a high-flown speech when he killed a calf; this may or may not be so, but it is a pleasant story.

No matter what his job, he found time to slip across the fields and court Anne Hathaway. One likes to try to imagine what language the world's greatest poet used in his own courtship. Whatever that language was, it was successful: when he was 18 and Anne was 26 they were married. They had three children: two girls and a boy.

About 1586—when he was 22—Shakespeare went to London; just why, again we don't know. Perhaps he had to make more money; perhaps he was irked at the lack of opportunities in Stratford; perhaps he joined a group of touring players, attracted irresistibly by the drama they presented.

The London Shakespeare came to was a vigorous, boisterous, rough Renaissance town. Motley groups shouldered their ways through the narrow, winding streets; traders from the east rubbed elbows with bearded adventurers from the Spanish Main; churchmen in their colorful robes of office and mounted on caparisoned horses rode through the jostling throngs. New ideas, new thoughts, and

a new language and literature were in the air. Of the new literature, the product of this brawling, bustling people and their new language, the most striking and most-discussed type was the drama.

Four main source-streams had come together, as it were, in the first half of the 16th century to produce the new English drama: 1) the mystery—sometimes called miracle—play that had its origin in the tropes, or brief spoken phrases and verses which embellished or amplified the sung parts of the medieval Mass, and that had developed by the 16th century into cycles of religious plays based on Biblical history; 2) the morality play, perhaps an offshoot of the mystery play, that presented in allegorical form the struggle between virtue and vice for man's soul; 3) the Latin plays of Terence and Plautus given by the schoolboy companies; and 4) the interlude, that started as a skit given between the long acts of the morality and mystery plays and that had developed by Shakespeare's day into what is best defined as a short play.

These four sources, then—the mystery play, the morality play, the Latin plays, and the interlude—combined to produce the new lusty and vigorous Elizabethan drama that Shakespeare found when he came to London about 1586. He found the new drama being written by, among others, a young genius, Christopher Marlowe, who in some respects is considered Shakespeare's equal. Ben Jonson called the blank verse Marlowe wrote, "Marlowe's mighty line"; Shakespeare made use of its techniques in developing his own matchless verse.

What Shakespeare did when he first got to London we're not certain of, but we know that eventually he got into the theater for there is definite mention of him as a member of the Lord Chamberlain's (later the King's) men who played at the Curtain and the Globe theaters and ultimately at the Blackfriars' Theatre.

He wrote his first plays about 1591—probably the trilogy of *Henry VI* followed by his other history plays; then in order apparently came his comedies, tragedies, and romantic tragedies. He wrote in all 37 plays, 154 sonnets, and the poems *Venus and Adonis* and *The Rape of Lucrece*. His last play was probably *The Tempest*, written about 1611 or 1612. He died 23 April 1616, and was buried in the Episcopal church at Stratford.

So much for the few facts of Shakespeare's life. Now let us examine the reasons for his greatness, a greatness universally admitted, and the reasons we should read and study him. Perhaps the three most important of these reasons are 1) his character creations; 2) his poetry; and 3) his readings of life, or his philosophy of life. I'll discuss these in order.

The reading of literature gives us a vicarious experience, the experience of living the lives of other people. It

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*This article is based on Colonel Alspach's introductory lecture to the study of Shakespeare by USMA cadets. Colonel Alspach has been appointed visiting professor in the Graduate School of the College of Arts and Sciences of the University of Pennsylvania for the academic year 1962-63.*

gives us the excitement of coming on situations like those we ourselves have been in, and for most of us it is endless comfort to find that other men have suffered, loved, been puzzled, and met misfortune even as we have. So is our appreciation of life increased; so do we gain understanding of ourselves; so do we incline toward understanding and mercy for others.

Of all writers Shakespeare gives us this vicarious experience most keenly: we move among his characters with an ease and familiarity that we have with no other author's creations. We love with them, are jealous with them, despair with them; for these people have in them something of each of us: something we feel a kinship to, something universal. Moreover, these people are from all walks of life: they are king and rogue, queen and strumpet.

We are, for instance, puzzled in our lives much as Hamlet was in his; it seems to me that no character of Shakespeare's is so much a part of the life of any of us as is the Prince of Denmark. Surely one of the reasons for this is that each of us is given many times to Hamlet's doubts, falterings, and bewilderment when faced with the decisions each must make. Nor has any speech of a Shakespearean character become so much a part of our everyday talk and so much a part of our voiced bewilderment in the face of life as the famous soliloquy beginning "To be or not to be, that is the question." You remember phrase after phrase: life is "a sea of troubles"; death is that "undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns"; "conscience does make cowards of us all"; and "the native hue of resolution is sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought."

Or we suffer with Macbeth as he watches the powers of justice gather to crush him for the murder of his king, and he repents too late. We suffer with him: I mean to imply here that we have sympathy for Macbeth; herein, you notice, Shakespeare creates truly. For he knew that in all men there is much good. Consequently we are moved intensely when, in that supreme fifth scene of the last act, Macbeth, hearing the cry of women from within, and being told the queen is dead, says:

She should have died hereafter;

There would have been a time for such a word... and from these words Macbeth passes to the better known but not finer lines beginning "Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow."

Or we watch Cleopatra ensnare Antony; fascinated, we go with those lovers along the course of their love. How tempestuously they love; but how quietly and with what nobility they meet death when death becomes inevitable. Antony's words:

... the long day's task is done  
And we must sleep.

and the words of Iras, Cleopatra's maid, to her mistress:  
Finish, good lady; the bright day is done,  
And we are for the dark...

give us that quietness and nobility and also in a lightning flash the characterization of the life of each: Antony's had been a "long day's task"; and Cleopatra's a "bright day." The peak of tragic resignation is in Cleopatra's words to her weeping maid after she has applied the poison asp to her breast:

Peace, peace!

Dost thou not see my baby at my breast  
That sucks the nurse asleep?

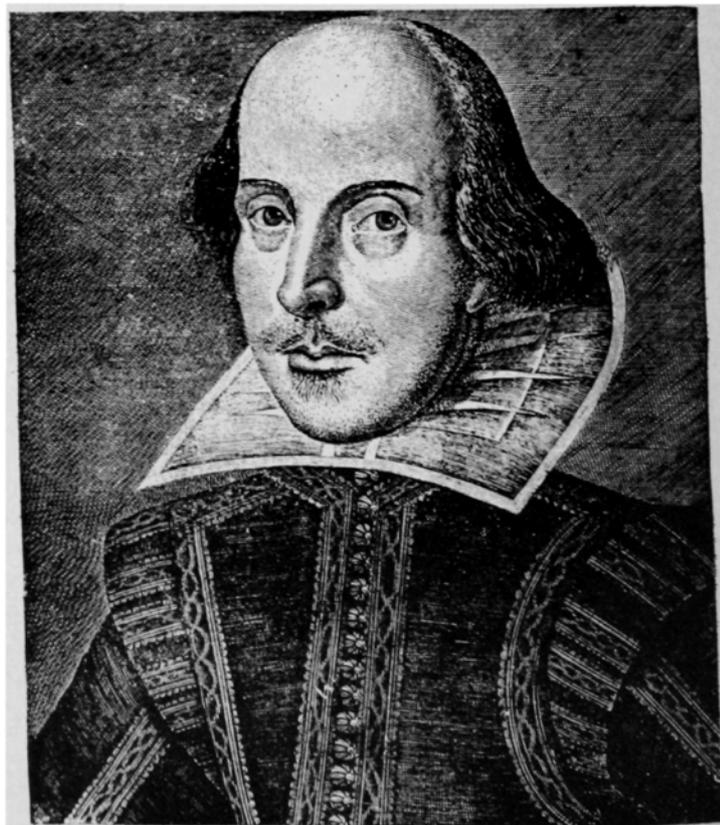
Finally, we laugh boisterously and thoughtfully with Falstaff. Shakespeare has lavished some of his greatest art

on the creation of Falstaff. Why? Is it because, as one critic has said, Falstaff is "the image of all mankind as a creature of divine intelligence tied to a belly that has to be fed"? Falstaff is a liar, a cheat, a thief, a swaggerer, a roisterer—but not a coward. We laugh boisterously with him when he explodes his great belly-laughs in the tavern at Eastcheap; we laugh thoughtfully when he dumps the body of Hotspur before Prince Hal: Hotspur, the flower of chivalry, carried on this fat knight's back like a sack of flour.

But, you may say, these are all main characters and of a high station; and you may make the charge, sometimes made, that Shakespeare was too occupied with high life and neglected the common people of the day. Not so. Shakespeare's ordinary citizens—his country bumpkins, his common soldiers—are drawn with as sure and sympathetic an art as the people in high places. Perhaps Shakespeare's art can best be seen if we compare it, by way of example, with that of Thomas Hardy (I am taking the conversation of country people; in this, save for Shakespeare, Hardy excels). First, the Hardy scene. It is from *The Mayor of Casterbridge*. The country gossips have gathered to hear the details of Mrs. Henchard's death from Mrs. Cuxsom who attended her.

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"And she was as white as marble-stone," said Mrs. Cuxsom. "And such a thoughtful woman... 'Yes,' says she, 'when I'm gone... look in the top drawer o' the chest in the back room by the window and you'll find all my coffin clothes; a piece of flannel—that's to put under me, and the little piece is to put under my head; and my new stockings for my feet—they are folded alongside, and all my other things. And there's four ounce pennies, the heaviest I could find, a-tied up in bits of linen, for weights—two for my right eye and two for my left,' she said. 'And open the windows as soon as I'm carried out, and make it as cheerful as you can for my Elizabeth Jane.'"

"Ah, poor heart!"

"Well, and Martha did it, and buried the ounce pennies in the garden. But... that man, Christopher Coney, went and dug 'em up and spent 'em at the King of Prussia. 'Faith,' he said, 'why should death deprive life of fourpence? Death's not of such good report that we should respect 'em to that extent,' says he."

"'Twas a cannibal deed!" deprecated her listeners...

"Well, poor soul; she's helpless to hinder that or anything now," answered Mother Cuxsom. "And all her shining keys will be took from her, and her cupboards opened; and things a' didn't wish seen, anybody will see; and her little wishes and ways will all be as nothing!"

And now the Shakespeare scene. It is from *Henry IV, Part 2*. Shallow and Silence, two country justices, and old friends, are reminiscing.

*Shallow*: Jesu, Jesu, the mad days that I have spent! and to see how many of mine old acquaintance are dead!

*Silence*: We shall all follow, cousin.

*Shallow*: Certain, 'tis certain; very sure, very sure: death, as the Psalmist saith, is certain to all: all shall die. How a good yoke of bullocks at Stamford Fair?

*Silence*: By my troth, cousin, I was not there.

*Shallow*: Death is certain. Is old Double of your town living yet?

*Silence*: Dead, Sir.

*Shallow*: Jesu, Jesu, dead! He drew a good bow; and dead! he shot a fine shoot: John of Gaunt loved him well, and betted much money on his head. Dead! he would have clapped i'the clout at twelve score; and carried you a forehand shaft a fourteen and fourteen and a half, that it would have done a man's heart good to see. How a score of ewes now?

*Silence*: Thereafter as they be: a score of good ewes may be worth ten pounds.

*Shallow*: And is old Double dead?

Here of course talk and characterization are at the highest levels: the juxtaposition of life and death, the two old men nodding and shaking their heads over the uncertainty of life and the madness of their youth, life putting in its inexorable claims even though old Double is dead. The scene is beyond our praise.<sup>1</sup>

But while the character creations of Shakespeare that I have mentioned and a score of others are enough to make him an artist of the first rank, they are not sufficient in themselves to explain the esteem in which he is held; to explain, for example, Carlyle's remark, "Will you give up your Empire or your Shakespeare, you English?"; or the words at the beginning of Matthew Arnold's sonnet on Shakespeare, perhaps the best single-line criticism ever made of the poet:

Others abide our question. Thou art free.

The remainder of the explanation lies in our second

<sup>1</sup> This comparison was first made in Lionel Johnson's *The Art of Thomas Hardy*, New York, 1923.

and third points: his matchless poetry and his readings of life.

No other poet has caught as has Shakespeare the most delicate shadings from language; no other poet has given us the strangeness, the almost intolerable poignancy that comes from words so placed together that they can be said to have a beauty beyond beauty. This beauty is achieved partially through Shakespeare's use of metaphor. Rarely is he abstract, and then usually on purpose. Aristotle said that the surest mark of genius in a poet is his use of metaphor. No writer uses metaphor so constantly as Shakespeare.

Of Shakespeare's finest poetry Kittredge has said, "In the circle of that great magic none dare walk but he." Here are some of his magic lines:

Romeo's words to Juliet describing the coming-on of morning:

Night's candles are burnt out, and jocund day  
Stands tiptoe on the misty mountain tops.

Lorenzo's description of the night in *The Merchant of Venice*:

In such a night

Stood Dido with a willow in her hand  
Upon the wild sea banks, and waft her love  
To come again to Carthage.

the superb onset of the 18th sonnet:

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?  
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:  
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,  
And summer's lease hath all too short a date. . . .

and finally Perdita's words in *The Winter's Tale* (for me, of all Shakespeare, these few lines are his most magic). Perdita is talking of flowers fit for a young girl, and she calls for:

daffodils,

That come before the swallow dares, and take  
The winds of March with beauty.

Finally, the explanation of Shakespeare's supremacy lies in his readings of life; his insight into life. From these readings, this insight, we can get his philosophy of living, of life—and since Shakespeare is our greatest poet, it follows that he is one of the wisest of men and hence well worth listening to about life and living.

Shakespeare's touchstones for living are human kindness, understanding, mercy, and sympathy. To these add his belief, so often expressed, in honor and loyalty. Conversely, he has no time for the person who knows it all; the person who is petty and envious and jealous. Isabella's words in *Measure for Measure* prick once and for all the pretension and stuffiness we are all guilty of:

man, proud man,

Dress'd in a little brief authority,  
Most ignorant of what he's most assured,  
His glassy essence, like an angry ape,  
Plays such fantastic tricks before high heaven  
As makes the angels weep. . . .

Notice, on the other hand, his words about the power of human kindness. Lady Macbeth, planning the murder of the king and wondering how she can get her husband to her way of thinking, says:

Yet do I fear thy nature;

It is too full o' the milk of human kindness. . . .  
Note too his frequent lines about the need for mercy in the conduct of life. All of us think at once of the most famous lines of all about mercy: Portia's speech in *The Merchant of Venice*.

The quality of mercy is not strained. . . .

'Tis mightiest in the mightiest: . . .

It is an attribute to God himself; . . .

consider this

That in the course of justice, none of us  
Should see salvation: . . .

Along with mercy, kindness, and understanding, go honor and loyalty. Mowbray in *Richard II* is the speaker:

Mine honour is my life; both grow in one;  
Take honour from me and my life is done.

Of loyalty, Wolsey in *Henry VIII* speaks in unforgettable words to Cromwell:

Be just, and fear not:

Let all the ends thou aimst at be thy country's,  
Thy God's, and truth's.

Is there an ultimate philosophy we can carry away from reading Shakespeare? Here is dangerous ground. All one can do is point to what lines have meant the most to him. Mine are from *The Tempest*. I like to think of *The Tempest* as written in the quiet serenity of Shakespeare's last years, and I like to think of Prospero's words to Ferdinand as the noblest meditative passage Shakespeare wrote and as his final message to us.

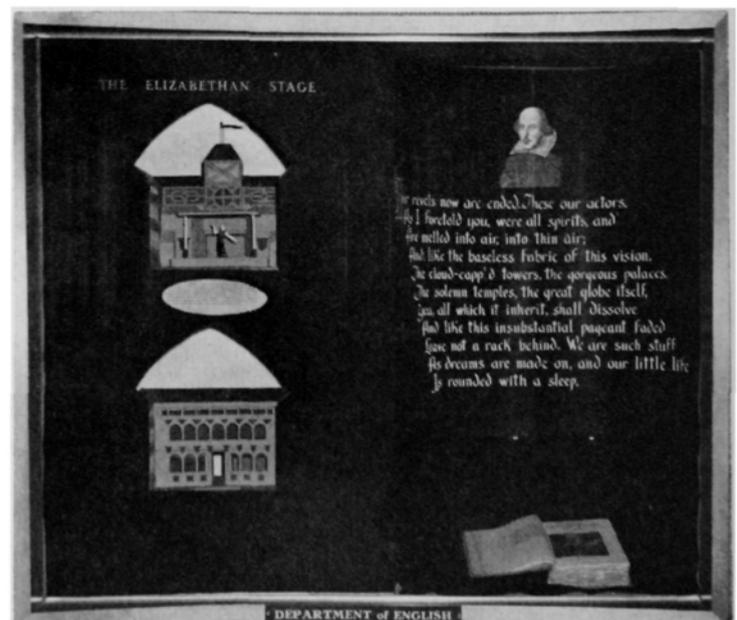
Be cheerful, sir,

Our revels now are ended. These our actors,  
As I foretold you, were all spirits, and  
Are melted into air, into thin air;  
And, like the baseless fabric of this vision,  
The cloud-capp'd towers, the gorgeous palaces,  
The solemn temples, the great globe itself,  
Yea, all which it inherit, shall dissolve  
And, like this insubstantial pageant faded,  
Leave not a rack behind. We are such stuff  
As dreams are made on, and our little life  
Is rounded with a sleep.

I think we can picture Shakespeare smiling at us as he pens the words, "Be cheerful, sir," affirming for us his strong "yea" to life.

Shakespeare cannot be summed up. The only words to apply to him are his own—they are Antony's words about Brutus:

His life was gentle, and the elements  
So mix'd in him, that Nature might stand up  
And say to all the world "This was a man!"



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# MEDAL of HONOR Centennial



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Other observances highlighting the Medal's significance and recipients' individual contributions to the defense of freedom will be held throughout the world during the 8-month period.

Of the 2,199 heroes awarded the Medal of Honor since its inception, 293 are alive today.

First of the medals went to six soldiers who took part in a Civil War mission designed to cut off Tennessee from the Confederacy by sabotaging a railroad which ran from Marietta, Ga., to Chattanooga. This event was the subject

of a recent motion picture, "The Great Locomotive Chase."

Latest act of heroism to earn the Army's highest award (post-humously) was that of Sgt. Gilbert G. Collier, on 19-20 July 1953, during the assault of a heavily-fortified enemy position in Korea.

Originally, award of the Medal was restricted to enlisted men and it was not until March 1863 that officers were included. Congress, on 9 July 1918, laid down the criteria in effect today. These provide that "the President is authorized to present, in the name of the Congress, a Medal of Honor only to each person who, while an officer or enlisted man of the Army, shall hereafter, in action involving actual conflict with an enemy, distinguish himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty."

Ninety-five Medals of Honor were awarded in World War I, 293 in World War II, and 78 in Korea.

# THESE GRADUATES OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY HAVE BEEN AWARDED THE MEDAL OF HONOR

WILCOX, ORLANDO B. '47	BULL RUN, VA.	21 JULY 1861	COL.
AMES, ADELBERT '61	BULL RUN, VA.	21 JULY 1861	1 LT.
BENJAMIN, SAMUEL N. '61	BULL RUN - SPOTTSYLVANIA, VA.	1861 JULY-MAY 1864	1 LT.
SCHOFIELD, JOHN M. '53	WILSONS CREEK, MO.	10 AUG 1861	MAJ.
CARR, EUGENE A. '50	PEA RIDGE, ARK.	7 MARCH 1862	COL.
SAXTON, RUFUS '49	HARPERS FERRY, VA.	26-30 MAY 1862	B.G.
HOWARD, OLIVER O. '54	FAIR OAKS, VA.	1 JUNE 1862	B.G.
WILSON, JOHN M. '60	MAIVERN HILL, VA.	6 AUG 1862	1 LT.
HATCH, JOHN P. '45	SOUTH MT., MD.	14 SEPT. 1862	B.G.
GREENE, OLIVER D. '54	ANTIETAM, MD.	17 SEPT. 1862	MAJ.
BLISS, ZENAS R. '54	FREDERICKSBURG, VA.	13 DEC. 1862	COL.
BOURKE, JOHN G. '69	STONE RIVER, TENN.	1 JAN. 1863	PVT.
WEBB, ALEXANDER S. '55	GETTYSBURG, PA.	3 JULY 1863	B.G.
PORTER, HORACE '60	CHICKEMAUGA, GA.	20 SEPT. 1863	CAPT.
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DUPONT, HENRY A. '61	CEDAR CREEK, VA.	19 OCT. 1864	CAPT.
STANLEY, DAVID S. '52	FRANKLIN, TENN.	30 NOV. 1864	M.G.
BFAUMONT, EUGENE B. '61	HARPETH RIVER, TENN.	17 DEC. 1864	MAJ.
BENYAURD, WILLIAM H.H. '63	FIVE FORKS, VA.	1 APRIL 1865	1 LT.
CARTER, ROBERT G. '70	BRAZOS RIVER, TEX.	10 OCT. 1871	2 LT.
GODFREY, EDWARD S. '67	BEAR PAW MT., MONT.	30 SEPT. 1877	CAPT.
MCCLEARNAND, EDWARD J. '70	BEAR PAW MT., MONT.	30 SEPT. 1877	2 LT.
LONG, OSCAR F. '76	BEAR PAW MT., MONT.	30 SEPT. 1877	2 LT.
DAY, MATTHIAS W. '77	LAS ANIMAS CANYON, N.M.	18 SEPT. 1879	2 LT.
EMMET, ROBERT T. '77	LAS ANIMAS CANYON, N.M.	18 SEPT. 1879	2 LT.
HALL, WILLIAM P. '68	WHITE RIVER, COLO.	20 OCT. 1879	1 LT.
BRETT, LLOYD M. '79	O'FOLLOW'S CREEK, MONT.	1 APRIL 1880	2 LT.
BURNETT, GEORGE R. '80	CUCHILLO NEGRO MTS., N.M.	16 AUG. 1881	2 LT.
CARTER, WILLIAM H. '73	CIBICU, ARIZ.	30 AUG. 1881	1 LT.
WILDER, WILBER E. '77	HORSESHOE CANYON, N.M.	23 APRIL 1882	1 LT.
CRUSE, THOMAS, '79	BIG DRY FORK, ARIZ.	17 JULY 1882	2 LT.
MORGAN, GEORGE H. '80	BIG DRY FORK, ARIZ.	17 JULY 1882	2 LT.
WEST, FRANK, '72	BIG DRY WASH, ARIZ.	17 JULY 1882	1 LT.
MAUS, MARION P. '74	SIERRA MADRE MTS., MEX.	11 JAN. 1886	1 LT.
CLARK, POWHATAN H. '84	PINITO MTS., MEX.	3 MAY 1886	2 LT.
GARLINGTON, ERNEST A. '76	WOUNDED KNEE CREEK, S. DAK.	29 DEC. 1890	2 LT.
GRESHAM, JOHN C. '6	WOUNDED KNEE CREEK, S. DAK.	29 DEC. 1890	1 LT.
VARNUM, CHARLES A. '72	WHITE CLAY CREEK, S. DAK.	30 DEC. 1890	CAPT.
HOWZE, ROBERT L. '88	WHITE RIVER, S. DAK.	1 JAN. 1891	2 LT.
KERR, JOHN B. '70	WHITE RIVER, S. DAK.	1 JAN. 1891	CAPT.
MILLS, ALBERT L. '79	SANTIAGO, CUBA	1 JULY 1898	CAPT.
ROBERTS, CHARLES D. '97	EL CANEY, CUBA	1 JULY 1898	2 LT.
WELBORN, IRA C. '98	SANTIAGO, CUBA	2 JULY 1898	2 LT.
HEARD, JOHN W. '83	HONDA, CUBA	23 JULY 1898	1 LT.
BIRKHIMER, WILLIAM E. '70	LUZON, P.I.	13 MAY 1899	CAPT.
SAGE, WILLIAM H. '82	LUZON, P.I.	13 JUNE 1899	CAPT.
MCGRATH, HUGH J. '80	LUZON, P.I.	26 JULY 1899	CAPT.
BELL, JAMES F. '78	LUZON, P.I.	9 SEPT. 1899	COL.
PARKER, JAMES, '76	LUZON, P.I.	4 DEC. 1899	LT. COL.
TITUS, CALVIN P. '05	PEKING, CHINA	14 APRIL 1900	MU.
LAWTON, LOUIS B. '93	TIENTSIN, CHINA	13 JULY 1900	1 LT.
KENNEDY, JOHN T. '08	PATIAN ISLANDS, P.I.	4 JULY 1909	2 LT.
WILSON, ARTHUR H. '04	PATIAN ISLANDS, P.I.	4 JULY 1909	2 LT.
PIKE, EMORY J. '01	VANDIERES, FRANCE	15 SEPT. 1918	LT. COL.
NININGER, ALEXANDER R. '41	BATAAN, P.I.	12 JAN. 1942	2 LT.
WAINWRIGHT, JONATHAN M. '06	PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	12 MARCH-7 MAY 1942	GEN.
MACARTHUR, DOUGLAS, '03	BATAAN PENINSULA, P.I.	1 APRIL 1942	GEN.
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COURSEN, SAMUEL S. '49	KOREA	12 OCT. 1950	1 LT.
SHEA, RICHARD T. '52	KOREA	6-8 JULY 1953	1 LT.

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Cadet Captain R. T. Shea '52 receives his diploma from the Superintendent, Maj. Gen. F. A. Irving Apr '17, as USMA AG, Col. R. P. Eaton '24, watches.

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**R**ICHARD THOMAS SHEA, 0-66428, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army, United States Military Academy Class of 1952, lay dead on a Korean Hillside. A living legend had become a dead legend. The life of a human had been taken in hand-to-hand combat with an enemy. This had happened a million times before on a thousand battlefields, and there was nothing different in this man's death—but there had been something different in this man's life. This man who no longer moved had moved rapidly in his lifetime. He had been one of the world's fastest runners in cross-country and track events. His speed and endurance had achieved distinction for him and he had become a legend in the process. He had run a race—and a good one—to its end.

Shea was born in the tidewater basin area of Portsmouth, Virginia, on 3 January 1927. His upbringing and farmwork in Virginia gradually brought out a very serious, yet friendly, nature in him. Later a classmate of his was to say, "Dick was a friendly person who always had a smile for everybody. . . he was always very pleasant to be with." Another, speaking of Shea's earlier days: "From his early days on a small Virginia farm, Dick's loving parents trained him to lead the honest, Christian life that we all respect. At V.P.I. (Virginia Polytechnic Institute), work left little time for sports or social activity." Dick Shea found time for sports and leisure activity after he enlisted as an

Infantryman in the enlisted ranks of the Regular Army on 29 May 1944. He put in a tour of duty after basic training at Camp (now Fort) Lee, Virginia, 80 miles from his home. He was later assigned to Berlin, Germany. During this time Shea began to race. He practiced every free moment, knowing that hard work alone could make him a good runner. His early efforts were not in vain nor were any of his later ones for he won the European championship in the 1,500-meter run.

His outstanding competitive and soldierly qualities helped earn for him an appointment to the Academy, and after one year at USMA Prep (then at Stewart AFB, NY), Dick entered with the Class of '52.

During the year that he spent at the Preparatory School, Shea was the star runner on the track team. His quiet, friendly nature, coupled with his strong Virginia accent which caused him to say "hoose and moose" for house and mouse, caused him to acquire the name of "Cornpone." His classmates thought enough of Cornpone to choose him as battalion athletic officer in the cadet candidate chain of command. This put him in charge of the entire athletic program of the school. In this position, Dick was first able to combine his leadership qualities with his athletic ability. So serious were his efforts that he and several of his classmates religiously arose an hour before reveille each morning to run in order to keep in shape. While he was at the school, he also started drawing the cartoons which were to keep the Corps of Cadets laughing for the next 4 years. Dick Shea was already running his race well when he entered the Military Academy on 1 July 1948.

Captain Lou Davis said of his classmate, "Working quietly and efficiently, Dick set about building a record as a cadet, as an athlete, and as a man." Shea was a man with an above-average desire to excel in all that he did. In his New Cadet Barracks training, which has been called the best or worst time of your life, depending on how far from it or how near to it you are, Shea began to put his military skills to work for him. "It was little simple things that he did like the way he carried a rifle or marched that made you notice that he had had prior service." Although much of the military training was not new to Cornpone, he was not to relax when there was work to be done. He ran even when he walked.

He started to develop an extraordinary endurance and a will to see to the end, whatever he did. His cross-country running and his performances on the cinder track constantly improved during his 4 years at the Academy. Shea



Check point area of 17th Inf Regt, Pork Chop Hill, Korea, 7 July 1953.

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# NELL RUN...

By CADET JOHN K. SWENSSON  
Class of 1965

started his first year as a thin-clad under Coach Novak. In his first year he set the Plebe indoor record for the mile, running it in 4 minutes and 26 seconds. Early in his Fourth Class year he took up cross-country, which, to him, was a new variation of his favorite sport. His second fall at the Academy found him once again racing over the hills behind Michie Stadium. During his Third Class year, Dick won his first Heptagonal and IC4-A races. With the advent of his third season at the Academy, Shea continued to improve:

The big gun of last year's squad is back and looking better than ever. Dick Shea will do as well this year as he did last, if not better. Dick is defending individual champion in the IC4-A and Heptagonal events. One man, however, falls way short of making a winning team and the replacements will have to come from last year's Plebe team.

During his final year of running at the Academy, Dick once again won the IC4-A and Heptagonal events, this time as captain of the track team.

Dick Shea had run his race at the Academy well. "In his three years on the varsity, Shea won nine championship races and set five Academy track records." Two of these records, the 4:10 mile and the 9:05.8 two-mile run which he ran during his First Class year, still stand today, 10 years after he graduated. "He was the cross-country champion in the IC4-A and was crowned Heptagonal Champion in the distance event for three straight years, something no other runner has ever accomplished." Shea's last race for the Academy was in May of 1952 against Army's ever formidable opponent, the United States Naval Academy. He was even with Navy's track star until the third lap when Shea pulled ahead to win. In his absence from the Academy during this race, he was awarded the Army Athletic Association's award as the best athlete in his class. A classmate said of Dick's track effort, "He set a goal to be good and was willing to put forth any effort to this end." This was the key to Dick Shea's efforts at the Academy. He was conscientious, eager, and determined. He was a hard-working, energetic individual. The seriousness of his track training was not something to be taken lightly. It was something to be admired. As company commander of Company G-1 during his First Class year, Shea could have had any room in the company and yet he chose to live in a fourth floor room so that he could keep his legs in shape. He never walked up the stairs, but ran up, two

at a time. Coach Carl Crowell, the track coach, under whom Dick trained during his last two years, said that he was late for only one workout (except for sickness) during his 4-year stay. Shea was a half an hour late to practice one afternoon because he had gone to pick up his wedding invitations.

Cadet Richard Shea became Lt. Richard Shea in June 1952, and was commissioned in the Infantry. He had previously qualified as an Expert Infantryman while a sergeant in Berlin. An hour and a half after graduation, he and his fiancée, Joyce Riemann, whom he had been courting for 5 years, were married in the West Point Catholic Chapel. Tryouts for the Olympics in Helsinki, Finland, were scheduled for late in July. It was here that this young lieutenant had to make one of the hardest decisions of his life. Should he compete in the Olympic games or should he continue his military training and go to Korea? Shea felt that it was his duty to become a good leader. He had led his track team over the tracks of the East. He was now to lead a different type of team. With this as the guiding factor behind his decision, he gave up the Olympics and took his bride to Fort Benning, Georgia, where he attended the Infantry School. This decision was certainly no minor one. For years, he had worked to become a champion runner. He had made an outstanding name for himself on the cinder tracks from Berlin to West Point. To race had been



Tank position on Pork Chop Hill in Korea, July 1953.

his goal and the final measure of his excellence might have been the Olympics. How many athletes dream of competing in the Olympics and how few get to go? Shea knew that if he did not go to Helsinki, he would have to leave his wife and go to Korea. He could run his race in Helsinki or he could run his race in Korea. Shea was an athlete, but he was also a soldier. He had been in the military profession for 8 years, ever since the day that he had enlisted in a small recruiting station in Portsmouth. There was a reason to go to the Olympics, but a rather selfish one. There was a better reason, a more pressing reason, to go and fight to the end a conflict in the little country of Korea. There were others who could have gone. There were others who did go. There was one man who went because he wanted to make for himself a record as a man. He was assigned as Executive Officer of Company A, 17th Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, stationed near Sokkogae, Korea. There is a small hill near Sokkogae that was known as Pork Chop Hill, where one of the most bitter battles of the conflict was fought. This battle had an unusual significance to it. While the Communists were desperately trying to defend Pork Chop Hill, the peace talks which were to end the war were being conducted at Panmunjon. This seemingly obscure hill became the focus of attention at the peace talks. It came to represent the entire conflict for if the Americans were victorious at Pork Chop, the United Nations arbitrators could make greater demands of the Reds. So there was a greater purpose at Pork Chop. The conflict might end in a minute or it might end in a year. The lives lost might be lost in vain. The bloodshed might be wasted.

On the 6th of July, Shea's company had taken a ridge-line on Pork Chop. While Lt. Shea was conducting the reinforcement of his company's position, they were attacked by a numerically superior force. Shea proceeded to a threatened area and personally led a counterattack against the enemy. He closed with and killed two of the enemy with his trench knife. Moving calmly among the men he was an example of good leadership. At dawn the enemy made another unsuccessful attempt to overrun his position. On the afternoon of the 7th, Dick Shea rallied together the 20 men left in his company and led them against the enemy's position. Although he was wounded, he continued to lead the attack. His assaulting element was pinned down by machine gun fire. Like the third lap of his last race against Navy, something had to be done. And Shea did it. Once again he was the leader of a team. He pushed forward, firing his carbine and lobbing grenades until he had destroyed the enemy position. "With forceful leadership, and by his heroic example, Lt. Shea coordinated and directed a holding action." On 8 July 1953, the Communists came again. Despite additional wounds, Shea led another counterattack and was last seen in hand-to-hand combat with the enemy. His race was over. He had achieved excellence.

Shea's company commander said of his efforts, "I have never seen such courage displayed by any man." Shea had a fighting spirit—partially inherent, partially instilled, and largely cultivated. But fighting spirit and determination cannot entirely win a war. S.L.A. Marshall, in the introduction to his book "Pork Chop Hill," said:

The Americans won, not simply by the superior weight of their artillery, but because the Infantry, man for man in the hand-to-hand battle, outgained the Red Chinese. In two vital particulars these Americans outshone any of our [other] troops with whom I have dealt; there was a superior command presence in their young officers, and a higher ratio of enlisted men who

exercised strong initiative in the most dangerous moments. The one manifest weakness in our youngsters was in their leg muscles and not in their fighting spirit.

Dick Shea had the leg muscles. He had strengthened his legs for years running over the New York hills, the Berlin track, and the steps to the fourth floor of his barracks. The intensity of his training had proven its worth, not in the Olympics, but on an obscure Korean hill.

Dick's class writeup in the ASSEMBLY included the following note: "It is with hope that good news will come soon that we list Dick Shea among those missing in Korea. Dick was listed as missing in action while he was on an outpost at the front in Korea." Good news never came. "We regret to inform you. . . ." It is a much used form in any war. This time it was for a great athlete who had proven himself to be a worthy soldier and son of the Academy. Maj. Gen. N. B. Harbold '28, himself a famous West Point athlete, said about Dick Shea, "The lieutenants—our first-line leaders—are vitally important men in combat, regardless of branch of service. When our Country has men like Dick Shea, the mission of West Point is accomplished." The fighting harrier had proven his worth, "above and beyond the call of duty." He had run a good race—and run it well.

On 10 May 1958, Shea Stadium was opened in memory of one of the Long Gray Line. A place where others might race. .

*This essay was first published on 1 June 1962 in The POINTER magazine whose editor-in-chief, Cadet Bill Alexander '63, received a letter from Lt. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau '24, recently retired Chief of Research and Development, Dept. of the Army. With Gen. Trudeau's permission, here is the letter.*

Dear Mr. Alexander:

I have read with great interest Cadet Swensson's fine article on "A Race Well Run," in your issue of June 1st. It refers, of course, to 1st Lt. Richard T. Shea, deceased, a winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

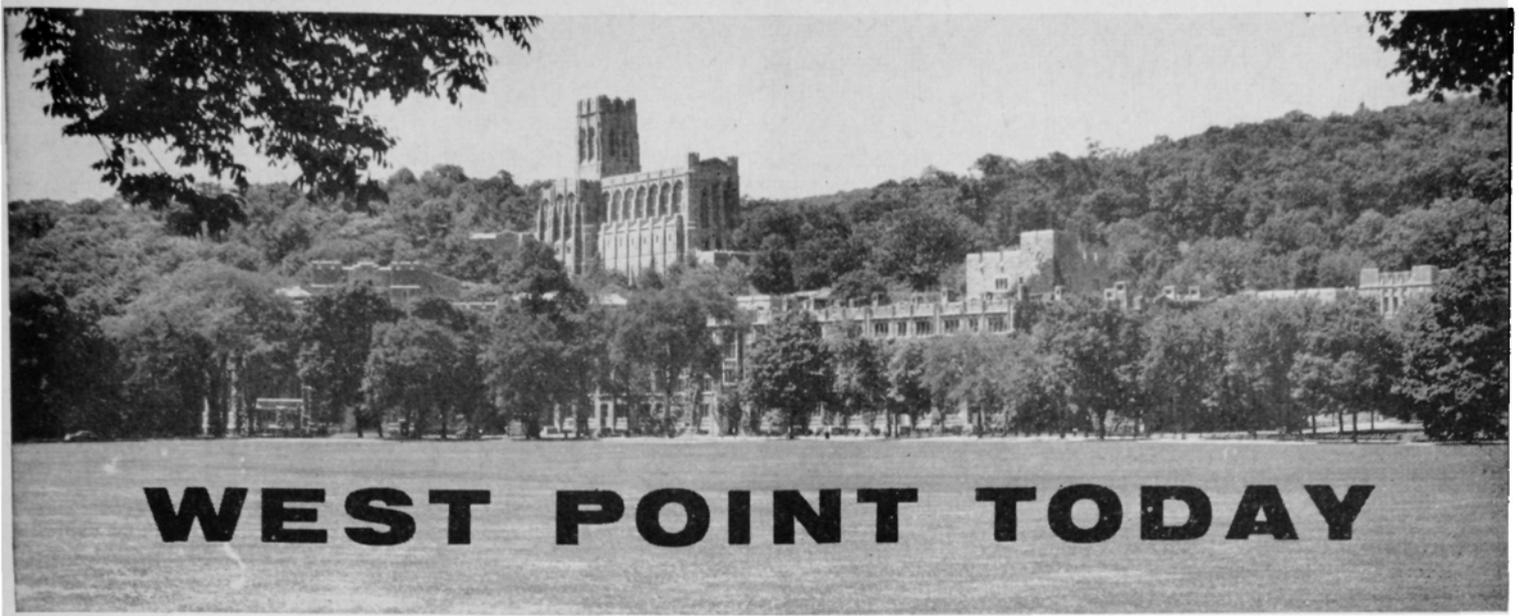
The story of the Battle of Pork Chop Hill, in which I participated, is substantially correct, except that we Americans were trying to defend Pork Chop Hill, and not the Communists, as indicated (by Mr. Swensson).

Pork Chop Hill was heavily fortified, it was under great pressure from the Communists, and as the Commander of the 7th Division. I required the rotation of units defending it on as little as a 48-hour basis at times. It so happened that Lt. Shea, serving with "A" Company of the 17th Regiment, was on the Hill at that time.

Under desperate attack from greatly superior forces, Lt. Shea's company, and others both before and after, defended Pork Chop Hill with great heroism but with heavy loss. That the enemy's losses were far greater is but little consolation.

I instituted the citation that led to Lt. Shea's being given the Congressional Medal of Honor and he deserved every bit of it. There were many acts of gallantry in this battle and I successfully recommended three battalion commanders for the Distinguished Service Cross. Later, at a ceremony here in Washington, I had the honor of receiving the Review in which Lt. Shea's family participated and at which I presented them with the Congressional Medal of Honor in his behalf.

I thought these facts might straighten out the record just a bit but I can assure you that Mr. Swensson wrote well about a great West Pointer who deserved the tribute he paid him.



# WEST POINT TODAY

## USMA SONS IN 1966

Fifty-one sons of USMA graduates entered the Corps with the Class of 1966 on 2 July. One resigned and four turnbacks from the Class of 1965 joined before the start of the academic year, bringing the total to 54. Class years in the following roster are those of the fathers.

- 1920—William O. Bare
- 1927—Robert J. West III
- 1929—Edgar Wright III
- 1931—Kenneth G. Carlson, Glenn F. Rogers Jr.
- 1932—Michael D. Abell, Patrick Keating
- 1933—Deme M. Clainos, Fred P. Fairchild, William S. Otto, Earle L. Parker Jr., William P. Whelihan Jr.
- 1934—Russell W. Jenna Jr., Richard Manlove, William M. Stone
- 1935—James C. Glassford, John W. Marshall
- 1936—Robert L. Fergusson, William G. Haneke, Thomas J. Hayes IV, Thomas E. Swain
- 1937—Charles A. W. Hines, Gordon Kimbrell, James T. Unger, George H. Walker III, John G. Zierdt Jr.
- 1938—Timothy D. Adams, Franklin Y. Hartline, John S. Kelsey, William G. O'Connor, Stephen L. Singer, John C. F. Tillson IV
- 1939—Walter E. Brinker Jr., Richard V. Gorski, James K. Hackett, Frank J. Kobes IV, Richard H. Moushegian, Jack K. Norris II
- 1940—David R. Crocker Jr., Michael P. Fellenz, Frank Meszar III, James L. White, Robert B. Williams, Michael W. Wynne
- 1941—Terrall M. de Jonckheere, Matthew C. Harrison Jr., George A. Muzyk, Courtenay P. O'Connell, Paul M. Root
- 1942—James S. Vivian
- 1943—John H. Eckert, Edmond L. Faust III, Richard R. Sonstelie, John P. Wheeler III

Meanwhile, on the banks of the Severn River, 10 more USMA sons are members of the Class of 1966 at USNA.

- 1913—Morris C. Foote
- 1924—Donald G. Storck Jr.
- 1935—Kenneth P. Bergquist Jr., Daniel J. Murphy Jr.
- 1936—Thomas J. Lawlor II
- 1938—Peter W. White

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- 1941—Patrick H. Tansey III
- 1942—John W. Barnes Jr., David W. Josephson
- 1943—William H. Starnes

## WEST POINT YESTERDAY

The original of this picture is identified on its backside: "Sunday Sept. 25th 1898, Fort Clinton, West Point." It was discovered among the files of the late Lt. Col. F. W. Hinrichs Jr. '02 by his son, Lt. Gen. J. H. Hinrichs '28, USA (Ret).

In sending the picture to ASSEMBLY, Gen. Hinrichs says: "Despite the charm of the 'lady' obvious in the photograph, there is a certain masculinity about her stance that indicates to me that her hair is not real. In any event, it would appear that the Corps has not changed materially in the intervening years. And I thought you might like to use this photograph either for publication or for the annals and archives of the Association of Graduates. I regret that I am unable to specify the characters by name."



## NEW BOOKS

*MacArthur Close-Up*—by Col. W. A. Ganoë '07, USA (Ret). Vantage Press, Inc., N.Y., 1962; \$3.50; 171 pp. Reviewed by Capt. W. A. Holt '52, USMA Dept. of English.

Recent graduates of West Point have simply accepted the reality of the existence of the Academy's intramural athletic program, the intense periods of cadet summer training, the careful selection and postgraduate training of instructors, the Aptitude System, and the Honor System. Col. William Ganoë's "MacArthur Close-Up" not only will provide an intimate view of a distant though famous American, but also will provide an insight to the origins of many of the systems and practices that we take for granted.

As MacArthur's chief of staff at the Academy for more than 2 years, Col. Ganoë was in an excellent position to observe and evaluate. And those 2 years were chaotic indeed. Accelerated graduations, graduated cadets returned by class for further academic training after the Armistice, and the restlessness of a Superintendent newly returned from combat combined to bring about at West Point an era of great change, an era of controversy. MacArthur's struggles to implement an intramural athletic program, modernize the curriculum, and give summer training a practical base were actively contested by many graduates.

MacArthur felt that cadets would benefit from a summer of training with a Regular Army division. The traditional cadet summer camp was, he said, "a rich man's summer resort with all its luxuries." Stymied in his efforts to make a gradual change or a change which his staff would approve, MacArthur simply ordered the campsite levelled and presented the Academy with a *fait accompli*.

The first reaction was silence, "But ominous silence soon changed into resentful, far-flung growls. . . . (They) gathered force from mutterings to uproar . . . (The) muttering mail piled higher, and the visits of the mutterers became fiercer.

"The blasts did not reach full force till summer came and the reality of the deed was visible and audible. The Corps had vanished, leaving the imposing buildings and close-cropped greensward as solitary as a cemetery."

MacArthur survived the furor; but as with many of his innovations, this one did not survive after his departure. Not until recent years has summer training become once again the period of practical work and experience which MacArthur had instituted.

In recording why he has written his portrait of MacArthur, Col. Ganoë remarks that he was "convinced (MacArthur) was destined to be among the great. And now that he is, duty prods me harder to make my picture faithful and explicit, to let you see him as I saw him in his blossoming period."

An ardent and unabashed admirer of MacArthur, Col. Ganoë first describes the disruption of the Academy during World War I, prior to MacArthur's arrival, and the story then follows a generally chronological pattern as Ganoë describes the new Superintendent's successes and frustrations.

A short chapter is devoted to each of the more outstanding events, and Col. Ganoë reconstructs many conversations and conferences. The Academic Board, the Board of Visitors, tactical officers, alumni, and distinguished visitors such as the King of Belgium, all pass through the Superintendent's office: each person or group of persons provides a foil for the MacArthur touch.

The passage of time has dimmed the outlines of the events and characters of the early 1920's. MacArthur, however, is still very much a public figure, but a public figure whose exterior only is known. Undoubtedly there will be numerous biographies of MacArthur, and each will attempt to show the inner man which directs the public figure. Col. Ganoë has performed a service by giving insights of the character of the man as that character was being formed in the scrutiny of the public's eye.

Addition to  
Michie Stadium  
adds 4,250 seats,  
bringing total  
stadium capacity  
to 30,000.



*Sheridan, The General Who Wasn't Afraid To Take A Chance*—by Col. Red Reeder '26, USA (Ret). Duell, Sloan & Pearce, N.Y.; 238 pp. Reviewed by Col. Harold E. Small '15, USA (Ret).

While this book, like many of Col. Reeder's, is written primarily for teenagers of both sexes, it so happens that this one has a lot of appeal for adults who are interested in the details of our country's history. As is to be expected in any book by this author, he has put a tremendous amount of research into the details so that everything will be meticulously correct and historically true.

The book gives in great detail a large part of the military life of that fiery general of the Union Army during the Civil War and during the years preceding it while he was a cadet at West Point, and while he served in Texas and in the far west just before 1861.

Reeder makes us familiar with that temper that went with Sheridan's red hair and impatience, and the troubles that these two characteristics brought to him. Sheridan's willingness to take extreme risks when he thought the rewards might well make the risks worthwhile is portrayed. We become familiar with his superb leadership and ability, both as a military strategist and as a tactician; his inspiring presence on the battlefield and off it; his very definite bravery in combat; his impatience with inefficiency and lack of good leadership; his uncanny ability to determine where he and his presence could be of most inspiration to his men when a little detail might make the difference between defeat and victory; and his very definite loyalty both to those serving under him and to his military superiors and his country.

A fine book for man or boy—for the ladies and the girls too.

Index, photographs, and bibliography are included.

*Combat Stories of World War II and Korea*—by Brig. Gen. E. W. Chamberlain '27, USAF(Ret). The John Day Co., N.Y., 1962; \$3.95; 255 pp. Reviewed by Col. Russell P. Reeder '26, USA (Ret).

Frederic Remington's epitaph was, "He knew the

horse." Bill Chamberlain's might well be, some day, "He knew the American soldier."

Right now Bill Chamberlain, of Miami, Fla., is very much alive and is able to make the characters in his stories appear as flesh-and-blood contemporaries. A successful author, who has had over 60 of his soldier stories published in the *Saturday Evening Post*, he is probably West Point's most prolific writer. When Chamberlain was a plebe, upperclassmen liked him because of his humor. This same quick wit makes his "Combat Stories" sparkle.

This is an extremely worthwhile collection of stories of the American soldier under pressure. It is interesting, entertaining, and typical.

*The West Point Atlas of the Civil War*—edited by Col. Vincent J. Esposito '25. Praeger, N.Y., 1962; \$12.50.

This work is an abridgement of Volume I of the well-known "West Point Atlas of American Wars," prepared for those students of the art of war whose major interest is the Civil War. Covering American military history from 1689 through 1865, it offers 154 pages of maps, of which 138 are devoted to the Civil War alone. Each page of maps is faced by a page of descriptive text. Errata noted in the first edition of "The West Point Atlas of American Wars" have been corrected by means of short footnotes. An up-to-date bibliography is included.

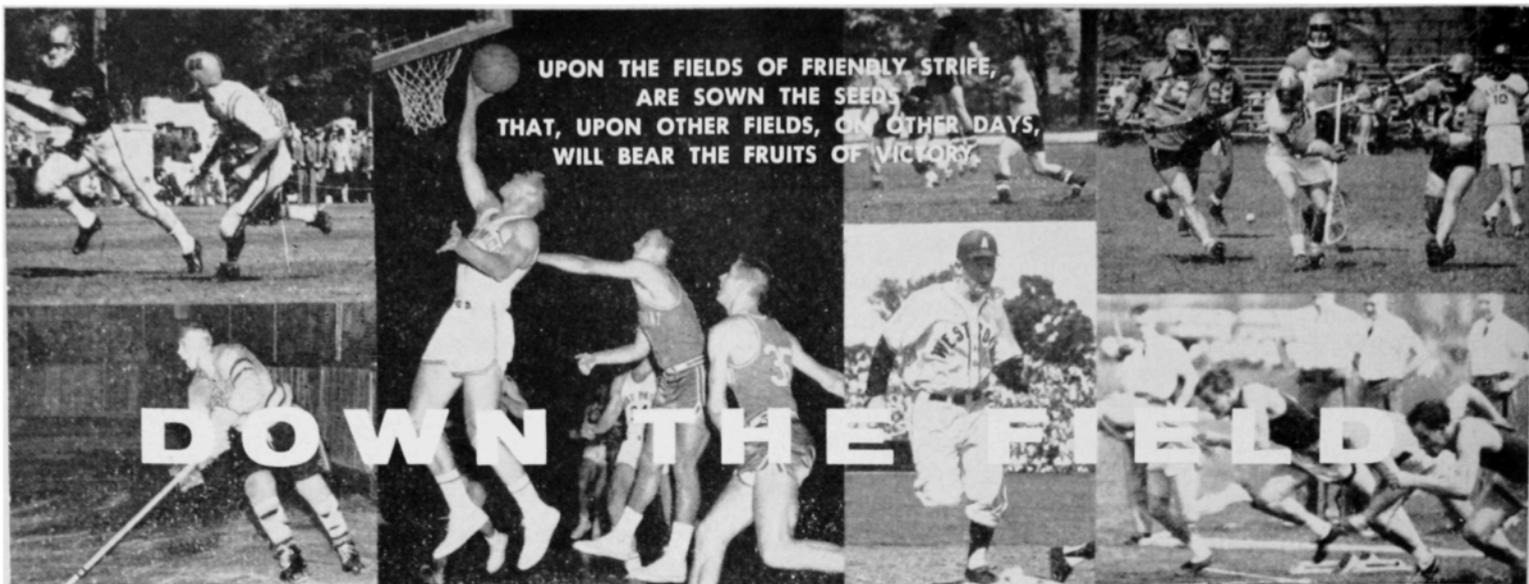
*Decisive Battles of the American Revolution*—by Lt. Col. Joseph B. Mitchell '37. G. P. Putnam's Sons, N.Y., 1962; \$4.00.

This book, a companion piece to the author's "Decisive Battles of the Civil War," is a competent popular work, adequate for the beginning student of the Revolutionary War, or for anyone interested in touring its battlefields.

The author has included a liberal supply of full-page, black-and-white maps, there being 31 of them in 206 pages of text. These maps have two unusual characteristics: in the battle maps, a light blue overprinting clearly shows the American dispositions, while the maps themselves are taken from modern road maps. This last feature should help the tourist.



Space underneath Michie Stadium addition provides concessionaire facilities, modern visiting team room, information and ticket control office, officials' room, film developing room, storage areas, and toilets.



By JOE CAHILL

The 73d chapter in the saga of the West Point Gridiron could well be entitled "Football is Fun." At least that is the feeling Coach Paul Dietzel and his staff have implanted in the minds of the team and Corps if the early weeks of the season are any criterion.

Many a laugh has been exacted from the fans at Michie Stadium already this fall. The first time the Chinese Bandits, the defensive unit in the three-platoon system, took the field in the opening game with Wake Forest, the Corps donned bright red coolie hats. The spontaneity with which this idea struck the scene can best be gleaned from the rush to the vendors stands by fans wanting to buy the hats as souvenirs to take home.

The Corps also received with enthusiasm the uniform flags which were hoisted atop the south tower at Michie Stadium each time a different team entered the game. A red flag, of course, signalled the entry of the Bandits, a gold pennant the Go team, and a solid black flag the Regulars.

Down on the field the three teams were easily identified by the trappings on their uniforms. While the squad was

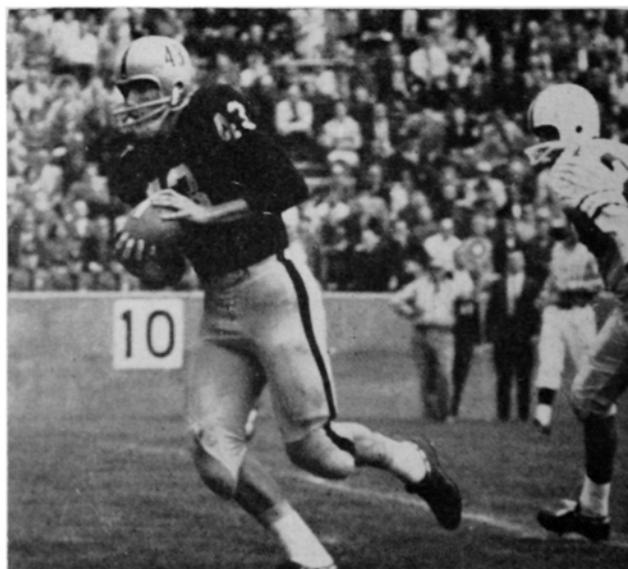
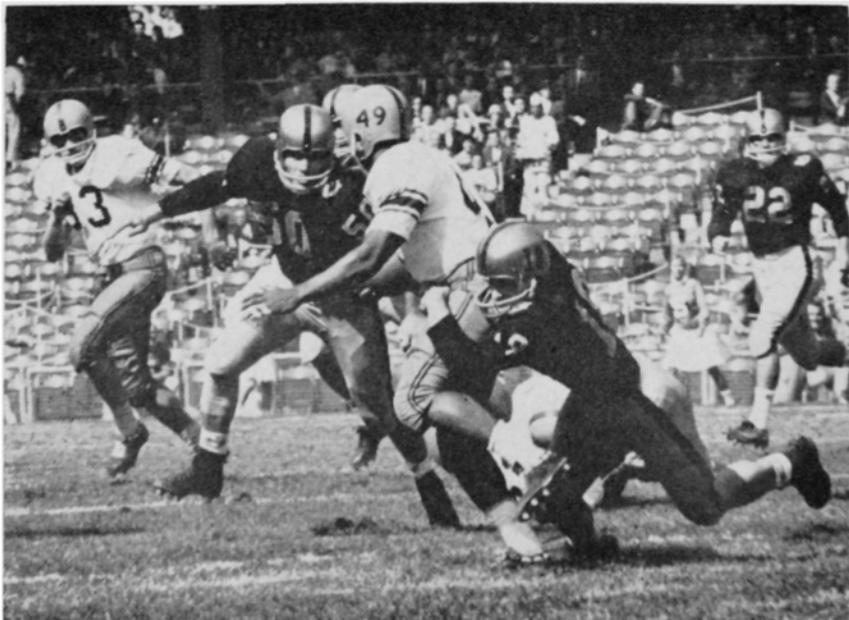
dressed in the traditional solid black jerseys with gold numerals, gold pants, and gold helmets there were distinctive markings to be sure. Take the Bandits. They had the coolie hats stamped not only on their white socks, but also on their shoulders. The Go team had gold socks and a missile on the shoulder. The Regulars wore black socks with no markings on the shoulder.

While these ideas have generated new interest and injected fun into the game, the most important innovation for Dietzel and his staff was the introduction of the three-platoon system. Patented by Dietzel at Louisiana State 4 years ago, the basic formula is the division of the squad into three distinct and separate units. Each team practices as an individual team and operates as a separate unit on Saturday.

Since defense takes precedence in the Dietzel philosophy, priority is given the Bandits over the Go team in the final player analysis.

The system of substitution follows a set pattern. The Regulars start every quarter and play approximately through the midway mark. At this juncture, they are with-

Bandit Jim Beierschmitt hauls down Syracuse runner. Army won, 9-2.



Yearling John Seymour, team's leading ground gainer, on his way to a touchdown against Wake Forest. Army won, 40-14.

drawn in favor of either the Go or Bandit teams, depending upon ball possession. The succeeding exchange of the ball ordinarily calls for the entrance of the other platoon.

The Go team, it is interesting to note, never remains in the game on defense. The Bandits, however, are sufficiently schooled on offense to run some plays should field position dictate this strategy.

The names of the three platoons have different origins. The Chinese Bandits, for example, were born in the comic strip "Terry and the Pirates." Cartoonist Milton Caniff depicted the Bandits as the meanest, roughest, and toughest characters of the Far East.

Coach Dietzel first applied the nickname to the defensive team at Cincinnati in 1949 without much fanfare and correspondingly limited success. However, the coach reintroduced the name at LSU in 1958 and the impact was amazing.

Cadet Michael Soth of Ontario, Calif., named the Regulars in a contest among the Corps of Cadets. His inspiration was a drawing by H. Charles McBarron, Jr. depicting the 22d Inf Regt attacking at Chippewa on 2 July 1814. General Winfield Scott is shown leading his troops in a classic battle formation of the period.

Noting the gray uniforms, British General Phineas Riall apparently assumed the Americans to be militia, but when they advanced steadily and kept their ranks closed as round shot tore through them, Riall made his famous remark, "Those are Regulars, by God!"

Following seemingly endless defeats, the American victory at Chippewa electrified a dispirited people and Scott became a national hero. The gray uniforms of West Point cadets were adopted to commemorate the uniforms of Scott's men at Chippewa.

While at Baton Rouge, Dietzel parlayed the platoon system into one of the most successful college football programs extant. The optimum utilization of personnel is achieved through specialization afforded by platoon football. Players are deployed according to their strongest skills, either offensively or defensively.

The advantages, of course, of platoon football are many and varied. Rarely is a player required to extend himself more than 8 minutes at a stretch. Therefore, his playing efficiency is automatically increased, the fatigue factor virtually eliminated, and attendant injury reduced to a mini-

mum. Practice sessions are conducted by platoons which aid in the development of specialized skills. Finally, with the top 33 players certain to play in every game, team morale approaches a feverish pitch.

This spirited approach was mainly responsible for the brilliant break from the barrier this fall. Army simply overwhelmed Wake Forest (40-14) in the season's debut. The upset 9-to-2 win over Syracuse was attributed more to an all-out effort than to skillful play.

While this is much the same squad that compiled a 6-4 record last fall, there is a heavy sprinkling of new faces in light of the platoon system. Some 16 players are seeing varsity action for the first time. Most of these would not be playing football for at least another year without the three-team shuttle.

Three men of the starting unit have not lettered before. Marty Ryan, guard; Lee Grasfeder, center; and Carl (Rollie) Stichweh, yearling left halfback, are getting their first taste of varsity action.

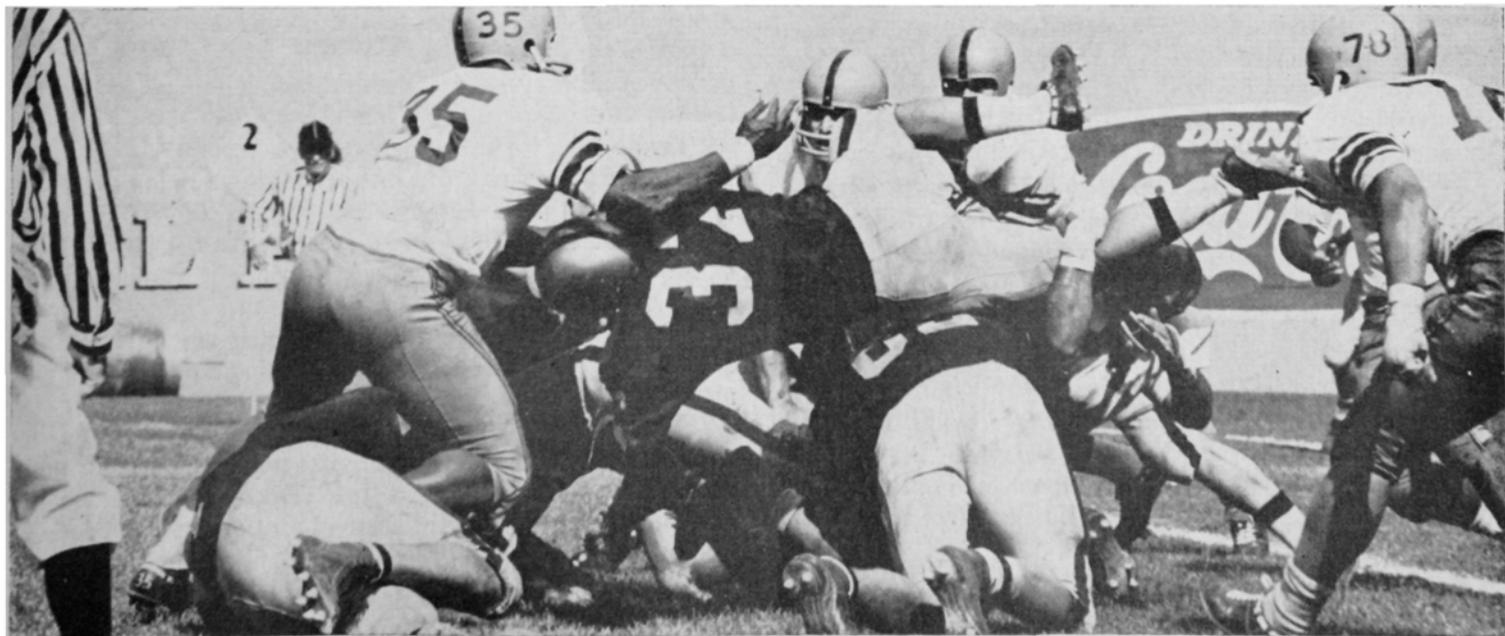
Other yearlings who are making a big contribution are halfbacks Johnny Johnson, Don Parcels and John Seymour; ends Bob Bedell and Kent Woodbury; and guard Ron Butterfield.

Dietzel is depending on the old reliables, of course, both on the Regular team and on the Bandits. A few who stood out in the early going were team captain John Ellerson, end; Bill Hawkins and Bruce Heim, tackles; Chet Kempinski, guard; and Dick Nowak, center. Each is a letterman with considerable experience.

The squad appears well-heeled at the vital quarterback position. Three seniors were in the running at the outset. Two have prevailed. Joe Blackgrove with the Regulars and Cammy Lewis with the Go team have not only filled the bill, but have the class to give the team a formidable look in the field-general department. They are opposite types which compound the problem for the enemy defense. Blackgrove is a nifty runner who operates in the option extremely well. Lewis is a fine passer who can loft the ball 40 yards on target. "Interchanging these two makes us immeasurably stronger at this position," Dietzel says.

There is nothing fancy about the attack. There are few plays of the wide-open variety. "We utilize two team blocking like the old single wing, and we frequently swing men in motion to either side," Dietzel explained. "Certainly we

Ray Paske (37), Regular fullback, makes a first down against Syracuse.





Army "Rabble Rousers" (cheerleaders) in their new uniforms pose with Football Captain John Ellerson, Head Cheerleader Roger Stribling, and Coach Paul Dietzel.

First meet on new cross-country course. Army won triangular race from Fairleigh Dickinson and LeMoyne.



would prefer to win dull victories than suffer exciting losses," he continued.

Actually it takes speedy halfbacks to produce the long, exciting play. These Army does not appear to have unless one of the sophomores can pick up the slack later in the season. Should they be unable to run away from anyone, we shall have to content ourselves with the short gainers. In the long run, this is entirely satisfactory if the results continue the same as in the first two games, and was good enough to move Army from deep in the pack into the top 10. This corner would not be surprised in the least if that is where the Cadets find themselves in this first year with Dietzel at the helm.

#### ON OTHER FIELDS

Army's soccer team again appears to be one of the best defensive clubs in the East. The only question mark is offense.

Coach Joe Palone revamped the attack which stalled out at times last year, sending the cadet booters to a disappointing 5-5 record.

Two yearlings, Jose Gonzalez and Frank Prokop, could be the answer as scoring threats on the forward line.

An all-veteran halfback line paced by Wayne Wheeler, Colin Kelly, and Jerry Nakashima should give the cadets above-average strength both on attack and defense. Others who should help out in the scoring column are Dan Banovic, Fred Coleman, Billy Hingston, and Dick Entlich.

Co-captains Frank Kelly and Jerry Stonehouse are fine players and good leaders. Kelly heads up the offensive unit while Stonehouse is one of the key defenders.

Ken Eklund won out over two other aspirants for the starting goalie job.

In early season encounters, the cadets defeated Seton Hall but lost to Eastern soccer power, Fairleigh Dickinson.

The schedule promises to be a rugged one. Included are games with Brockport State, Drexel, Penn State, West Chester State (the defending national champion), and Navy. The Cadets bowed to West Chester last season 1-0 in overtime.

The Army cross-country team, hit hard by graduation losses, responded with two early season victories.

Second Classman Billy Straub paced the squad to a triangular victory over Fairleigh Dickinson and LeMoyne in the opener, then won easily against Providence. Straub is holder of the Academy and Heptagonals 2-mile record.

Other leading runners have been Bob Mayer, George Lippemeier, Tom Butler, Akos Szekley, and Captain Carl Chickedantz.

The Cadets have been running over the new cross-country course built upon the trails used during the Revolutionary War. The course was designed and constructed especially for the training and conditioning of all cadet distance-runners. The course takes a steady climb from Howze Field to the Redoubt Trail and includes long and short hills. Banked S-turns will be a challenge to the most experienced runner. The whole course is seeded and can be run in spikes.

The home schedule is a tough one. Highlighting the slate are meets with the Air Force Academy, winner over the cadets in their only previous battle at Colorado; Cornell, present Heps champion; and Navy.

Coach Eric Tipton tackles his roughest assignment since taking over as Army's 150-pound football coach 6 years ago. The former Duke University all-America halfback must replace 9 of 11 starters from his 1961 team which posted a fine 5-1 record. The only starters returning are quarterback Art Conlon, honorable-mention all-league selection, and guard Bill DiNeno.

Tipton feels he has some fine replacements in the backfield to go along with the fast-improving Conlon. The line is another story. He lost three all-league choices at tackle, center, and end. Tackle was the hardest hit position because the first four men were lost through graduation.

In order to have another good season (Tipton has never lost more than one game in a single season, while winning 26, losing 3, and tying 1), Army must come up with an almost completely new forward wall.

Prior to the opening game with Cornell, Tipton felt he had come up with some fine replacements. A pair of good ends, Jack Thomasson and Joe Godsey, headed up the line along with tackle Noel Brown and guard DiNeno.

Set in the backfield with Conlon were halfbacks Leon Rizio and Doug Bennett, and fullback Captain Gene Blackwell.



'02

Col. F. D. Griffith Jr.  
2544 Dell Road  
Louisville 5, Ky.

Our report this time is limited to a few notes from our regular correspondents—no alibis even from those classmates who failed to make our 60th Reunion in June.

A note from Bell states that he spent the summer in Washington, D.C., except for a visit to Washington, Pa., to attend the funeral of a relative. He plans to attend Homecoming at W.&J. College in the fall, when a plaque is to be dedicated to a classmate killed in the Philippines during the Spanish-American War. Mrs. Bell has been in Washington off and on during the summer. One of her trips included a visit to Chautauqua, N.Y., with her sister.

The Longleys spent the summer at their home on Cape Cod. Longley writes: "The most important event in my young life recently was a meeting with a few of my classmates at West Point on 4 Jun, Alumni Day. I still get the same thrill when I looked around the Plain and up at the chapel. That impression never dims or changes, though so much else has changed greatly. The huge Corps of Cadets, the complete disappearance of Execution Hollow, the numerous grand new buildings, even the old riding hall of many misshaps looking now like a parking lot. A great pleasure to see Griffith and Pegram and Rodney. Like old times."

Frankenberger sends his best to all of 1902. He regrets that none of us reach San Diego on our travels.

'03

Col. Dorsey R. Rodney  
938 Huntington Road  
East Lansing, Mich.

Our jovial Irishman, Pat Lynch, passed away at Orlando, Fla., on 10 Aug. He was buried at Arlington, and Julian Schley attended the funeral. Few of our classmates had a more distinguished record than Pat, who retired as chief of Infantry. That leaves 27 of the Class still living. They are falling too fast.

Colley made an auto trip of 4,500 miles in July, from Seattle to Yellowknife, Canada, with a niece and a brother and his wife.

Growler Lyon keeps busy and well, doing family chores. Imagine an octogenarian undertaking to paint his house!

Trophy Bendel writes that he is still trying to walk. He writes cheerfully and jokes about infirmities.

Dick Moore writes, "no news, no hits, no errors and nobody left on base." He has been breaking par on his golf course, where he is the oldest playing member.

Allan Pope recently made a trip to Wash-

ington, where he had dinner with the Schleys. He has had a particularly active life, playing polo long after he left active duty, so I suppose it is only the law of averages which sees him required to take things easy now.

Clifford Jones has been spending the summer at Blowing Rock, N.C., with his brother DeWitt. USMA 1905. He seems well, and proud of the fact that they are both now in the class of octogenarians.

Julian Schley writes from Washington. He seems well, and he and Max Tyler get together at least once a week or oftener.

Ulysses Grant is active as usual, jumping from Washington, D.C., and Clinton, N.Y., on business.

Ristine was in Little Rock in July, called

### 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.

there on account of the death of a brother, Col H.H. Ristine, FA (Ret). Then in August he was in Bangor, Maine, visiting a sister. Lucky man, I surmise, to get away from Florida in summertime.

Jake Wuest writes that they will be in Orlando about 25 Oct. They spent the summer in Germany and Austria, taking "baths" at Bad Ems. Hope they come back clean!

Turtle appears to have been dehydrated this summer at San Antonio, and consequently the summer was not such a bother to him. He will soon be in the midst of chamber music, which is his first love.

Rodney flew out to the Grand Canyon to catch up with his daughter, Mrs. A.F. Kleitz, and her family, and together they toured northern Arizona and the White Mts. around old Ft. Apache, where Rodney served as a 2d lieutenant 54 years ago. While there he inquired about the interpreter, Jesus Maria

Velasquez, with whom he used to hunt and fish, and was told that he had died 15 years ago, but Rodney was introduced to the interpreter's daughter. She is a large, buxom Indian squaw, a member of the Tribal Council who makes visits to Washington to consult with the Secretary of the Interior and The Great White Father. When she saw Rodney she exclaimed, "It's Lt. Rodney, the one who used to like deer liver and onions." Something to remember after 54 years! Rodney expects to see the A-N football game on 1 Dec and the Army-U. of Mich. game in Ann Arbor on 6 Oct.

Mrs. Rozelle is writing the obituary for ASSEMBLY of "Razzle", and if any classmates have any useful data, please communicate with her at Boerne, Tex.

Louis Dice writes that he hates to be so "newsless." He is arid in that line, but at least he writes.

Puss Farnum has been busy getting his new house all fixed up and in order. He writes that the extra effort in gardening and so forth has added 10 years to his life. He is urging classmates to start making plans to go to our 60th Reunion next June.

You are all conversant with the signal honor which was given to our classmate, Doug MacArthur, by unanimous vote of Congress. But did you notice how modestly and generously he attributed his success to the "brave men under me"? Not all our heroes do that.

'04

Maj. Gen. William Bryden  
Old Black Point  
Niantic, Conn.

Mrs. David McKell, who recently underwent a double cataract operation, is recovering very satisfactorily.

Budd, who has just had a similar operation, is also making a good recovery. He can read and type once more, and has been given a visual rating of "slightly less" than 20/40.

'05

Brig. Gen. Arthur W. Lane  
4801 Connecticut Ave., NW  
Washington 8, D.C.

Mrs. Ernest Graves (Lucy) has moved into what she describes as a very nice apartment at the Army Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave., NW, Washington 15, D.C.

Mrs. Bernard Lentz (Edna) is now living

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at 219 E. Willow Grove Ave., Philadelphia, where she is near one of her sons. Another son is moving from Denver to Chicago.

Mrs. Berkeley T. Merchant (Alice S.C.), 5209 Chamberlin Ave., Chevy Chase 15, Md., says that she married Bud long after his retirement and so knows but few of his classmates. Nevertheless, she has proved her very real interest in the Class by making an unsolicited contribution to the class fund in Bud's name.

The Air France accident in which 106 Atlantans lost their lives was especially tragic for Clifford and Harriet Early. Because of their interest in art, they had long been in close contact with the Atlanta Art Association to which most of the victims belonged. They knew practically all of the victims, and more than 20 were their close personal friends. One of them was the daughter-in-law of our classmate William E. Merritt who resigned in 1908. Clifford and Harriet would have been numbered among the dead if they had not changed their minds and cancelled their reservations at the last minute.

A report received late in July said that François Wilby was then in a hospital. Your reporter has no later information.

'06

Col. Charles G. Mettler  
227 Pickens Road  
Augusta, Ga.

With much sorrow we have to note the loss of William E. Lane and Morgan L. Brett from the list of living classmates.

Bill Lane died on 9 Jul at his home on Requa Street in Peekskill, N.Y., after a long illness, during which he had been cared for by his wife and children. Mick Daley sent flowers to the funeral, after a talk with Red Hoyle, and we have Clara Lane's appreciative letter of thanks for the remembrance of our beloved classmate. His obituary has been written and approved by Clara, and we obtained a photograph from the *Peekskill Evening Star*, showing Bill broadcasting to his people when he was mayor of the city.

Tow Brett died 2 Aug at the Veterans Hospital in Reno, Nev. He had been driven there by his son and grandson after a severe intestinal attack at his Fallen Leaf Lake camp in the high Sierras. He was buried with military honors in the Golden Gate cemetery at San Francisco. I have sent his story to his son James who graduated from the Academy as one of the Knights of 1906. He is revising the story for publication. Tow made his winter home at Tombstone, Ariz., on account of the hay fever that bothered him throughout his life.

Herewith is the picture of the new class tree being supported by RED Hoyle. The photo was made by Christine and provided by the tree supporter. RED has a letter from Plupy Shute of San Antonio, which reports Plupy out of the hospital and home on crutches, which ought to have been discarded by this time. Plupy also reported Joe King still lively and off to Houston to settle some local problems, but Charlotte was not yet recovered from her leg injury. Also, that Pot Lewis was home, looking after wife Ruth, who has been under the weather for awhile. Also, that Skinny DeArmond is better after his serious operation and is spending much time now with his children. And that Plupy's wife Marjorie and daughter Marjorie are at home looking after the lame Plupy. Joe King himself tells me that, in spite of the big Texas drought and the unprintably-described heat, he and Charlotte are surviving, with the air

conditioners at full speed. Cool weather ought to be there now.

Missed Ernest Layfield again after much correspondence to arrange the visit, but he looks fine in the Profile of the Month, printed by his Raleigh newspaper. He passed through en route to the annual reunion of the clan at Indian Springs, Ga., while Elizabeth and I were in Asheville.

Jim Riley was given a surprise party by the children and by Gene on the 50th anniversary of their wedding. The lawn was filled with well-provisioned tables with all sorts of refreshments thereon, in addition to the food. Gene was wearing a pretty white orchid. Nanie and Betty were doing the honors to the crowd of well-wishers. McKew Parr rode there with John and Kitty Danford and Marion Howze, and they chatted over Bill Ganoe's book, "MacArthur, Close-Up," quite ap-



1906: RED Hoyle and the new class tree, replanted this year.

provingly, I hear. They talked to Jim for a short visit and found his eyes sparkling and his humor still working well in spite of his illness. He enjoys the letters and cards and the TV. Keep the letters going to him.

Have a nice letter from Charlie Rockwell, who has been under the weather for awhile. He is still running the farm at Paoli, writes a good letter, and has not let old age get him down.

John Wainwright, Skinny's son, who is running a marine business in Jacksonville, Fla., reports that mother Adele is at Colorado Springs and is being looked after by Col. Walter Siegmund, USAF (Ret), as guardian. He was one of Skinny's best friends.

George and Christine Morrow remained in Daytona with the air conditioner keeping them cool enough during the hot days, but fishing was poor.

Deedee and Army of the Hoyle family just lately returned from Germany, where they attended the wedding of Lt. Alan Armstrong, who was the big news of the 55th anniversary of 1906 when he got his diploma at West Point in front of a fine group of the Hoyle family.

Earl and Edith McFarland went to New

England in September. Earl sent me a clipping, reporting the sudden death in Naples, Italy, of Col. Ralph Allen Jones Jr., son of our "Rara" Jones and one of our guests at the 45th reunion. Ralph was en route to Ankara with his family to be military attaché at the American Embassy there.

Frederika Williford, just home from a visit to her sister at Belmont, noted in the local paper the arrival of Maj. Gen. C.B. Westover, son of our Oscar, at Langley Field. He is walking in the footsteps of his distinguished father and has already acquired many medals for his own fine service. Young Westover is assigned as assistant to the commanding general of the Air Tactical Command. He married Alice Frink of Greensboro, N.C., and has two boys and a girl to add to the Westover clan. Frederika has hurried home to be with grandson Forrest while he is home from his Virginia College.

Bill and Ruth Akin were in Los Angeles in September, attending to the estate of Ruth's mother and seeing their middle son and his family. They attended the Shakespeare Festival at Ashland, Ore., enjoying four plays by the great bard, but are now back at church work in the valley of the Moon. Elizabeth and I are back from Asheville, where we escaped some of the Augusta heat of July and August, and I recovered from my hernia party (of last July) with my great surgeon, Maj. Carlos Cervera.

'07

Col. Hayden W. Wagner  
Balmville Road  
Newburgh, N.Y.

Oliver Wood is the latest member of the class to go abroad. In a letter from Wiesbaden he reported that he was having a delightful trip. He had visited the Scandinavian countries, Munich, Vienna, and other interesting spots. He stayed mostly with friends who were still on active duty, and enjoyed it very much. He planned to go to Berlin and Heidelberg before starting for home.

Enrique White took off for a two-week trip to Cape Cod and the Adirondack region, revisiting the North Country and Plattsburg, where he was stationed years ago.

Bob Glassburn finally sold his house in Clearwater, Fla., and he and Genia moved up to the Ft. Benning area, where they settled on a house at the highest point on Benning Hill. Preparations for the move and settling in the new location were very trying, as the weather in both Florida and Georgia almost set new heat records. He and Genia are captivated with Benning and regret they did not go there five years ago instead of Florida. Bob is down to one dog now—a precocious young setter just a year old. He is looking forward to good shooting over her in November. Bob asked us to extend his sincere thanks to all the signers of his reunion card. His new address is 2687 Shelby St., Columbus, Ga.

Ruth Watkins sold her house in Jacksonville and spent the summer with Dorothy North at New Vineyard, Maine. After September she will have an apartment in Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave., Washington, D.C. It was difficult for her to give up her home and many friends, but it seemed to be the wise thing to do. She had lunch with the Boones in Stamford and learned that they too are giving up their house for an apartment. They decided it was time to hole up where they would be spared many household and yard cares and, in addition, have no stairs to climb. Dan'l felt that the class reunion picture showed that Father Time had dealt

heavy blows to some of us, but a careful look at that stalwart group would seem to belie that view.

Paul Larned received a cordial note from Leland Wadsworth, whose home is in Leavenworth, Kan. The one thing that seemed of greatest importance to him was that he had lived long enough to become an octogenarian.

The name of Jim Gallogly's youngest son, Capt. Inman G. Gallogly, Andrews AFB, Washington, D.C., should be added to the 1907 roster of Service sons.

Malcolm Patten expressed his deep regret that he and his father had been obliged to abandon their proposed trip back to the 55th Reunion, as they had looked forward to it with great anticipation. George's death was reported in the last ASSEMBLY.

In a letter to Enrique White, Charley Wyman sent his best to all the classmates of the Round Table. He observed that the A-N Club in Washington is like the Cafe de la Paix in Paris—sit there long enough and you will see everyone you know.

Josephine Doak wrote Paul Larned that Sloan is having a rather difficult time. He spends much time in his room but still comes downstairs toward evening for one or two old-fashioned dinners on a tray. Josephine asked that Paul extend Sloan's affectionate regards to members of the Class, and expressed the hope that he would soon feel like having visitors again.

Bill Ganoe was given special honors at the Dickinson commencement in June. It was the first time that a 60-year class had come back as a unit, however small. Bill said there were three of them able to make it and all three were doctors—MD, LLD, and LittD—81, 82, and 83 years of age. Bill was the youngest. The college held them up to everything, except ridicule, and Bill said they were as much curiosities as a one-horned elk. They marched in the academic procession and were seated prominently on the platform for the commencement exercises. Bill and Rosie stopped off in Washington on their way home, and Bill was a guest of honor at a class luncheon at the A-N Club, with an even dozen in attendance. Bill's latest book, "MacArthur Close-Up," came out in August. We have not yet received our copy and for this reason are unable to comment on it. It has, however, received highly favorable reports from qualified book reviewers. While we ordinarily eschew commercials in this column, Bill wrote that he will be glad to inscribe, autograph, and mail a copy to any classmate for the sum of \$3.50.

Clyde Eastman's report was reminiscent of the old recording—"No News." He wrote: "Margaret had a touch of blood poisoning, I had the gout, and Marjorie had just returned from the hospital after an operation." We understand that they are all making satisfactory recovery.

Paul Larned wrote that Marya Castle had the misfortune to fall near their home and suffered a badly broken right arm. Ben was playing golf at the time, and when he returned he found a note from the police to report to the hospital. We understand that Marya is making satisfactory progress.

The best news we have had from Washington is that Paul Larned is getting back to normal. He had ischemia but does not recommend it. He is now permitted to drive the car. He is much better and all his friends will be glad to hear it.

Sandy Chilton wrote that he wishes he had a bundle of sparkling news to pass on, but had nothing. He, commented however, on a

change in Service custom that impressed him very much. Alex recently retired and was given a change-of-command and retirement ceremony in true Marine style. When Sandy retired the first time, he received a letter from the chief of staff quite some time after the event, and when he retired the second time he just slipped out the side door of the Pentagon without as much as a wave from the janitor. He has remained retired ever since.

'08

Col. C. L. Hall  
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Washington 8, D.C.

Kennedy made a long automobile trip in August and early September. He visited the Grand Canyon, and the World's Fair at Seattle. He returned to South Carolina by what can be fairly described as a circuitous route. He missed seeing Deans, who had been alerted to his arrival but had left by road before John arrived by rail.

Burns is back in Washington after a summer of recuperation in New York. He looks very well.

Hall finally has resumed his presidential duties in theory, but too late to do any real work.

Avery has been in California, closing the sale of his country house.

'09

Maj. Gen. G. L. Van Deusen  
66 Tivoli Garden Apts.  
Bath and Westwood Aves.  
Long Branch, N. J.

Fred Teague died on 4 Aug 62. A note from his widow states: "He hasn't been well for several years and very bad this last one. The end came very suddenly." Mrs. Teague may be reached at 5561 Harbord Drive, Oakland 18, Calif.

Louisa Hickok tells us that Monte's ashes were buried in the Punchbowl National Cemetery, Honolulu, following services in Cambridge, Mass., and at the graveside. "I am sorry that he was not able in later years to go back to West Point for a class reunion but he was always with you all in spirit."

Donald Beere writes from 543 Glenmont Drive, Solana Beach, Calif., "Living here to be near son, Col. Donald C., retired, USMA '39, now a physicist with General Atomics. Grandson, Donald B., age 19, senior at U. of Calif., majoring in physics; captain of soccer team. Grandson, Christopher, age 17, enters U. of Calif. this fall. Also two grandsons soon to be teen-agers."

Jack Heard, our worthy ex-classmate, writes from their summer home at Silver Lake, N.H., that their eldest son, Johnny, is a Lieut. Col., now attending the Language School at Monterey. Daughter Betty is married to Johnny's West Point classmate, Col. Jack Deane; he and family just back from Berlin where he commanded 2d BG. Now in OSD, son Ralph, unmarried, in San Antonio; the youngest, Richard, an Army major, fixed wing and helicopter pilot in Würzburg. "Eleven grandchildren, of whom nine have been with us all summer. Ella and myself both fine. Had two major operations in May but came out 15 years younger. Back to San Antonio in October."

Eley Denson checks in from Smyrna, Tenn., where he was visiting his daughter. His permanent address: c/o Eley P. Denson, Jr, 6201 Welty Way, Sacramento, Calif. "Still hope to see my classmates in '64."

Jean Besson tells us: "I am now at Army

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave., NW, Washington. All three children are stationed here. Have a lovely apartment and do my own housekeeping." Her letter was in response to a copy of a recent letter which the undersigned wrote to our class godson congratulating him on his three stars and on his very important assignment to head the Army Materiel Command.

Tom Catron reports their new address: 6 Wendover Road, Baltimore 18, Md.

Gladys (Sis) Lyman gives her mailing address as Maui Meadows, Rt. #5, West Chester, Pa., c/o Brig. Gen. CB Lyman, "I intend to travel a bit before fixing up another apartment, probably right in San Francisco."

From Rodney Roberts we get the latest known address of our ex-classmate Carl Duehn and his wife Hilda: 2355 Newcastle St., Cardiff-by-the-Sea, Calif. Adds Rodney, Ray Smith and his very lovely wife have been west, settling an estate in Carmel. We had dinner together one night. No doubt by now they are back in Detroit. We go to San Francisco for three weeks on 20 Sep."

Your scribe is compiling a revised class directory. Please notify me promptly of any recent changes in the addresses of '09 folks, male and female. And don't forget to send me news about yourselves and your families.

'10

Brig. Gen. Robert H. Dunlop  
3711 Reno Road, NW  
Washington 8, D.C.

At this time I wish to express my thanks and deep appreciation to Pappy Selleck for handling the class notes during my recent bereavement—the passing of Ruth on 24 Mar.

It is sad to report the death of Helen Gray, Dolly Gray's widow, in Washington on 31 Jul 1962, after a long illness. She was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Pappy and Gertrude Selleck are spending a happy summer at The Dragons' Den on Breadloaf Mt., near Middlebury, Vt. They hope to sail sometime in September for Europe to visit their son Pete (Capt. Clyde A. Jr.), stationed in Orleans, France. Pappy writes that they have had some real chilly nights in Vermont this summer.

Word comes from Ducky and Laura Reinhardt that both are very well there in San Antonio. They appreciate so much their air conditioners, when they can avoid the 100° temperature by staying in the house. They will take off about 7 Aug, with a granddaughter, for Vancouver, BC, to visit their daughter Ann. All plan to go to the Fair in Seattle before coming home.

Ducky speaks of Jack and Ella Heard, who spend their winters in San Antonio and their summers in New Hampshire. They left for their summer home in Silver Lake, N.H., on 21 Jun. Jack had a serious operation at Brooke General Hospital last spring but came through it in fine shape.

Mick and Marie Miles are spending the summer on an island near Portland, Maine. Mick, who has been ill for some months, stood the trip very well. Both are enjoying themselves and will return home to Alexandria, Va., after Labor Day.

Bo and Kay Lewis recently returned from

a motor trip to the West Coast. They report a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Joe and Gwladys Leonard are having a good time at their summer home in West Winfield, near Utica, N.Y. They will come back to Washington in the early fall.

D. S. Wilson Jr. (now a major) and family expect to return to the States from Germany in October and will be stationed at Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

We have had most enjoyable visits this summer from Fritz Strong and Marjorie, and from Daddy Byars. All attended our class luncheons.

'11

Brig. Gen. Harold F. Nichols  
36 Lagoon Road  
Belvedere, Calif.

Kitty and Harry Kutz in mid-June flew to Baltimore for the National Convention of the Sojourners, of whom he has been a national officer for some 25 years. Harry also had a checkup at Walter Reed and a reunion with Joe Mehaffey, 10 years from their last meeting. The Kutzes plan to spend 2 fall months at the Waynes-Country Club Inn in North Carolina.

Alice Baxter, after a spring visit in Bethesda, sailed with her oldest daughter Mary Alice, and her three children, in June for Naples. Mary Alice went on to Karachi in West Pakistan to join her husband, Horace F. Amerine, who is with the D of D. In Rome, Alice visited her second daughter Charlotte, with her two children and husband, Col. C. O. Moffett USAF, who is with the MAAG. She planned to return in September to her home with her third child, Charles R. Jr., who is a senior project engineer with Pratt & Whitney in East Manchester, Conn. He and his wife Priscilla have four children, the oldest son a sophomore at Cornell. In 1911, the Baxter clan—with 17 living and gone—ranks fourth numerically, according to present information. The top family will be given in the next 1911 column.

Betcher reported in June that Lucille is not too well, but that he keeps busy with home and other work. They received Washington news in early June from visitors, the Leonards of 1910. Also from Betcher came word of Jim Burt's celebrating his 74th birthday on 1 Aug in the Veterans' Hospital in Albany, where he was recovering rapidly under Edith's supervision.

Dr. Charles Chester Dickinson, who was my congenial tentmate in Plebe camp and my roommate that fall, with Harry Keeley and Fred Gilbreath, in an 8th Div barnroom, until our first West Point Christmas, died 24 May. Death followed a long illness, at his Chico, Calif., home, where he had lived since retirement in 1952 from his position as chief surgeon at the McCloud Hospital in northern California. After leaving the Academy, Dick was graduated from the U. of Ill. Medical College and became a highly regarded and successful surgeon. His obituary appears in this issue of ASSEMBLY.

Another distressing duty is to report the death on 19 Jun in his St. Petersburg home of William Jay Calvert, who had made his home in Florida since shortly after his retirement in 1946, and where with his wife Trudi he conducted highly successful real estate operations. She and her sister, Betty Miller, and Jay were part of the thin gray line of 1911 at the class reunion in 1961. He is survived also by his son, Col. Parker Calvert of St. Petersburg, and a brother Cory, of South Bend.

Jimmie Crawford, returning home with Margaret on 27 Jun, reported their European itinerary as: Lisbon on 11 Apr, then Madrid, Venice, Florence, Rome, Vienna, Munich, Garmisch, Copenhagen, Edinburgh, London and Dublin; then New York on 22 Jun. While his Margaret had a big time, Jimmie says that despite great work by their travel agents he nearly cracked up making so many close connections.

Gertrude Booton with John Jr., her daughter Anne Titherington, and granddaughter Anne, made a special trip to West Point in May to visit Jack's grave on the anniversary of his death. That was one of the 10 graves of the Class of 1911 at which flowers were placed by classmates and wives on 6 Jun 1961.

Charlotte and Pink Hardy in June went up to Denver to visit with daughter Mary, whose husband is Charles N. Wagner, chief litigation officer for Shell Oil Co. At the same time, an equally cheerful note came from Sid Foster, living with his wife Maud Ellen in a home overlooking Paugus Bay, an arm of (take a deep breath) Lake Winnepesaukee in N.H. As Maud Ellen is from Maine and Sid from Vermont, they compromised on New Hampshire for their retired home.

Joe Mehaffey, after a short stay at Walter Reed with a touch of TB, has gone for recuperation to the Valley Forge Army Hospital. He will enjoy hearing from classmates and others. In the meantime, the Speck Wheelers departed from Washington on a jaunt through New England, expecting to return on 10 Aug. Speck further reported that Marguerite and Bill Morris are again sojourning in Europe.

The Larneds had an early summer visit with son, William E. Jr., who with his wife, two daughters and a son, lives in Greenwich, with offices in New York and L.A. His company publishes "Defense Marketing Service", giving detailed information on current missiles manufacture. Back to their Florida routine, as Tod says, he is trimming the trees, raking up junk around the house, collecting the citrus crop, and keeping the house from falling down. A new air conditioner is a big help!

Ida May Holland, actively caring for her little red house in New Hampshire spent last winter in Rhode Island but hopes to get farther south from ice and snow this coming holiday season. Her brother and wife, from Whittier, Calif., visited with her in June. And Tommy Thompson, from a new address at 604 Funston Place, San Antonio, after a wearisome summer of golf and seasonable fishing and hunting, planned some muskie fishing in Michigan in August, prior to some eye work at Brooke Hospital.

In June, Jeanette Hardigg had an exciting trip to Mexico, her first jaunt in some time. Son Bill, 21-years-old on 8 Sep, is in his senior year at U. of Notre Dame, majoring in chemical engineering. He plans to go on to post graduate work. Jack, 18-years-old last March, and planning a medical career, is in his second year at Georgetown U. Jean Brew, our classmate's daughter, 15-years-old in October, is a high school sophomore.

Louise and Bill Wyche made their annual visit to Mike Franke in her South Carolina home last spring, just incidentally during the local races, where they also saw Eulalie Wall. But mostly at home, they enjoy greatly their grandchildren at Southern Pines, a few miles east of the Wyche's Pinehurst home.

A final sad item follows. Phil Kieffer, who

for many years had been associated with motion picture production, died 13 Jul at the Motion Picture Hospital in L.A., after a long illness, at the age of 76. Burial was with military honors in the National Cemetery at San Diego. Ruth Kieffer continues in their Romaine Street home in Hollywood. Word of Phil's death was received 25 Aug.

Sadly, a second "final" item is added. Curtis H. Nance, the class vice president, died at Walter Reed General Hospital on 8 Sep. Services were held at Gawler's Chapel in Washington; interment was with full military honors at West Point. He is survived by his widow, Jenny Sorensen Nance; a daughter, Mrs. Kirstan N. Edgar; and two grandsons and a granddaughter.

'13

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The fact that 1913 now appears in ASSEMBLY does *not* mean that we have abolished our time-honored 1913 Class Christmas Letter. There is a place for *both*. Space in ASSEMBLY is limited, unlimited in our class letter. Class reports, statistics, and 50th Reunion plans belong in our letter. There *will be* a 1962 Christmas bulletin. Plan accordingly and be set to act promptly on Doug Greene's ardent call.

Moose Ardrey reports everything quiet out Fresno way. Bets that the earthquake of 31 Jul shook Tom Monroe (USMA 1914) off his rocker (chair?). Ardreys had a nice visit with the Falks early in July. Dave much interested in his roses, now the PRO for the S.F. Rose Society. Moose and Mildred looking forward to reunion in '63.

Mary and Carlos Brewer report further on their winter-spring, which included stop-offs with relatives in Texas. They lunched with the Newcomers at Ft. Sam, finding them in fine shape. All anticipate reunion.

Beatrice ("Gaby") Cheadle writes that she has to make a business trip into Mexico in '63 and will not be able to attend reunion. Has been visiting her children in the Bay State.

Frances Brown writes that both sons—George (USMA 1941) now a BG, and Tim (USMA 1943)—are Pentagoned. She now has four grandchildren, three in George's family, one in Tim's.

As this goes to press, Copsy and Dorothy are looking forward to seeing the DC Det of '13 when they stop off for their annual checkup at WRGH. Copsy says that as a Republican state committeeman he is doing his best to make Florida a two-party state, with appreciable progress already made.

Castillo reported in by phone from NYC. His favorite DIL, Joaquin's wife, died a few months ago of an aneurism of the brain, practically the same way that her SIL, Demetrio Jr.'s wife died. Joaquin with his four young children has accepted a position in Spain as a representative of an export-import house. Demi's two sisters, both widowed, are still in Cuba, but we gather not very happy.

Tex Davidson was awarded an Honorary Certificate of Merit in Agriculture by Maryland U. for helping with the agricultural program. Since Md. U.'s beef herd was insufficient to provide the needed number of calves to instruct students in cattle feeding, Dave's Cremona Farm lends some 20 to 30 calves annually. These are fed by the students, records kept (food also paid by Cremona Farms). At year's end the fatted calves are returned and later sold by Tex on the Balti-

more market. All this was reported in *The Enterprise* of Lexington Park, Md., 14 Jun '62.

Gen. Omar Bradley (USMA 1915) has invited Pete Corlett to be an honor guest at The Tribute-Reunion for D-Day Commanders in NYC 3 Oct. Pete and Pauline go to Washington the next day where Pete hopes to see the local and elite '13 gang.

Archer and Catherine Dorst managed to fit in a week's vacation at a Feather River camp and another week at Lake Tahoe. Earlier they had had from three to six little grandchildren (plus parents) housed with them. Archer says it helps a lot if at least one grandparent is smarter than the grandchildren. Who's the smarter, Archer or Catherine?

The biggest event in the Foote Family was the admission of their son as a Plebe in the USNA Class of 1966 on 27 Jun. His morale upped when he saw a big golden yellow flag with large Navy Blue "1966" flying in the yard of Alumni House, across the street from the USNA wall. His parents took in "Parents Open House Weekend" in August, a well-run affair. From a roster of sons of USMA and USNA alumni in the Navy class of 1966 we find 68 Annapolis sons and 10 West Point sons (1913-1943 USMA, 1916-1945 USNA). Does the Assoc. of Grads. publish a similar list for each Army Plebe class? (See West Point Today, this issue.—Ed.) Distribution includes fathers or widows of all sons listed, plus Supe USNA, and secretary. Assoc. of Grads. If our Assoc. does not already do this, I recommend that a corresponding list be so published. Harriet and Cooper spent 9 days at Old Forge, N.Y., lunching with Joe and Dasha Viner at their camp on Little Moose Lake. Bob and Mary Crawford (USMA 1914) also present. Many of the gravel roads in the Adirondack League Club's preserve are due to Joe Viner's energy as the club's manager.

Selby Frank reports that Bonnie has improved some. The Wop golfs weekly with Nelson, and hopes to visit his daughter in Bermuda this fall.

Sara (Peggy) Giffen will not be able to attend reunion, due to a badly injured back; spends quite a bit of each day in bed. Says she gets along quite well doing nothing, but it's a dull life. (You have our sympathy.)

Doug and Nora Greene recently returned from a 2,600-mile motor trip; they had a wonderful time. Working on reunion plans; going to Army-Penn State game. Doug, note what I've said herein on the importance of our Class Christmas Letter; make full report therein.

Victoria Heard has been sticking close to San Antone since returning from the Orient in '61. Summering in her country home, near Boerne (?), Tex., too hot. Has a new grandchild born in Tokyo where Faulkner Jr. (USMA 1950), is stationed. Her eldest grandchild, John La Roche, entered West Point this July.

Cedric Lewis (USMA 1914) reports he will be unable to attend Reunion. Suffered a severe stroke in Jul 57 which has left his left side paralysed.

Monk Lewis in good health, fairly active, some hunting and fishing, and going to the races. Pretty well tied down by Florence's poor health but will definitely make the BIG 50th Reunion.

Ella and Kid Roberts of Redlands, Calif., feel fine. Their daughter Louise works in San Bernardino. The Kid is a realtor but only

enough to keep him busy. Plans to attend reunion.

George Lovell reports that since Marjorie's death (29 Aug 57), he spends his summers away from Florida. Goes to Colorado Springs each Easter season and summers there, with motor trips to Nevada, the Canadian and Mexican borders. Arthritis has almost gotten him into wheelchair; only activity he enjoys is driving his car. His permanent mail address is 139 S. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, Fla., which place he will hit in October. Meanwhile, his daughter Marilyn holds his house down whilst computing for a space and missile concern at Cape Canaveral.

Roberts writes that Frank Kimball, who lost a leg three years ago, returned from the hospital around 28 Aug. Visit caused by a heart attack. Frank sold his cannery business sometime ago.

Geoff Keyes now has 24 grandchildren, up two since our '61 Class Letter. Visited all but one, a pfc. at the Army Language School, on his May-June '62 check-up trip. DC Det threw him a lunch in June. Geoff expects to attend reunion.

Forgot to report that Bones Kimmel's good health is due to Lucile's good care. She weighs all his food down to a flea's weight and controls his diet. Lucile is the most precocious GGM I ever saw.

Gladys Martin, whose husband died last November, says her two daughters and five grandchildren are a tremendous help to her. Let's write her.

Jack McMahon reports no news, will report when he has some. Undecided about reunion. Answer: COME with Charity.

Helen McCunniff glad that '13 is reappearing in ASSEMBLY. She visited Tom (USMA 1945) in Hawaii, Carol in Paris, and Nancy in Monterey, occasionally returning home to shoo the bats out and reshuffle her C&E. Connie and Lathe Row always come to see her when they are in Denver, which is a great treat for her. Wants any '13-ers coming her way to warn her.

Si Newcomer offers a valuable suggestion: that we run a roster on the Class, getting reports from a few each quarter; news gleaned would be more current and more likely to be printed uncut. However, since this is almost our first complete report in years, maybe Ye Ed will bear with us. Later we'll probably have to adopt the Si System.

Pat Rafferty says attendance at reunion will depend on Virginia's health. She had a stroke two years ago and does not get around much; has competent care and enjoys seeing people. Pat survived his 70th BD (6 Mar 62), is still actively farming but considers retiring. He's an expert on American Aberdeen Angus cattle, of which association he was president in 1947.

Elizabeth Palmer reports that her son Charles Dana (USMA 1949) is paratrooper major (504th Inf) in Germany. Hopes to get to reunion despite her ancient buggy.

Bill Jones has sold his place at Pebble Beach: "... maintenance getting to be a bit irksome." Now lives at the Cypress West Hotel in Carmel, a much simpler way of life. Has had to give up golf: due to arthritis; hopes his good health will allow him to continue to enjoy the Monterey Peninsula and the quiet life. Daughter Elsa married in the USAF, lives in Rolling Hills, Calif. Hopes to get to reunion but "my desire is based on a contingency which will govern my decision." What's up your sleeve?

Miriam Perkins, Queen of Pebble Beach, has made a successful effort to carry on in

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You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

the same pattern that Bob and she enjoyed together. She has a fulltime social service work position; still has the home with its Trans-Pacific view that Bob and she built together. She's taking a three-month leave to travel in Europe with Ysabel Edgar, widow of the late Admiral C. D. Edgar. She'll be flying back over the North Pole about 1 Dec 62, leaving her companion to travel around the world or to winter in Florence.

Emily Stevens Tully sadly reports that her mother, widow of Basil Stevens, is an invalid in the Montclair, N.J., Hospital.

Bug Oliver reports that all 10 of their grandchildren summered with them until 27 Aug; consequently, Janet and he are recuperating briefly in Canada. What would happen if Louis and Miriam Craig had all their 29 (30?) grandchildren descend on them simultaneously? Guess they'd rent the children's ward of Sibley Hospital.

Lathe and Connie Row returned to the Black Hills in mid-May from a 6-month round-the-world trip. We want a full report in our Christmas Letter).

Maje and Mary Ada Underhill say any report of their activities would read like Mark Twain's "Got up, washed and went to bed." (We can't believe he's really that inactive). Most unhappy at having to miss reunion, but as far as they can foresee, it will be impossible for either to attend. (Reread the crystal ball). They send best wishes to all.

Sallie and John Huff Van Vliet are still in their Island Heights, (N.J.) home and doing fine. John still recuperating from an operation, still short of energy, which his doctor says is "just old age," has given up surf fishing but still manages the chores; Sallie well and fine. Their son John Jr. (USMA 1937) and family have moved to Clearwater, Fla. The oldsters have lost all travel urge.

Pink and Edith Ward (USMA 1914) summered in their Grand Lake, Colo., cottage. They had one daughter visiting them. The Sid Spaldings (USMA 1912) (Mrs. S. is Robin Ward) and their flock went to Conway, N.H., for the summer. Edith and Pink both well; Edith doing volunteer work on a sketch of the (Rocky Mountain) Range from Pike's Peak to the Poudre for The Colorado Mountain Club, whilst Pink stands by to identify mountains and determine whether or not they can be seen. Daily walks with an energetic pointer keep Pink in ditto condition.

Connie Wash, just back from another Grecian jaunt that began with a sea voyage in April; some Athenian chaperoning by her SIL, BG S. K. Eaton (USMA 1938); a visit to Delphi, and a well-fed cruise on a chartered yacht past the Grecian Islands and the Turkish coast, next a flight to Rhodes with a "pair of nice gents;" whence all three did Venice, Florence, and the Cote d'Azur; and finally home by sea. (We want a detailed report with sketch of Connie and the Oracle being spied on by a CIA agent in a Grecian urn, in the Class Christmas Letter).

Mary Williams writes that Charles is not able to write; Copsy says Charlie's not at all well (you have our best wishes). Mac and Irene McBride (H.L. McBride USMA 1916) gave the Williamses glowing reports of Doro-

thy Young's Army Distaff Hall and of Mary's friends residing there.

Ralph Wiltamuth sold his Seattle home in 1957 and invested in a 13-story 60-apt. 2.5 million dollar co-op apartment house—the Phoenix (Ariz.) Towers—and grew up with it on its board of directors; hence learned about co-ops the hard way, but it all turned out well. They now have one of the best-built and best-financed co-op apts. in the USA. Ralph says he'll see his BIL in NYC, then his son Harris in the DC, all in time to hit Cincinnati for a cruise down the Ohio and Mississippi aboard the *Delta Queen* beginning 20 Oct 62.

From their summer cottage on Lake George, Snake and Dorothy Young report the coldest weather and the best bass fishing in their experience. BUT he omitted the fact that he's deadbeating his 50% share of this class report. Bug and Jenet Oliver did drop in for a visit with them en route back from their recuperative visit to the Laurentians.

The DC Det of 1913 held a Class Lunch with wives and widows on their regular September Class Lunch day, honoring Priscilla Newgarden in town for the 10th Armd Div Reunion, which Paul raised and commanded until his untimely death in 1944. Present, besides Priscilla, were the Critts, Davidsons, Herwigs, Johnsons, Footes, and Dorothy King and Dolly Sadtler, these last two AWL from Distaff Hall. Priscilla reported that Critt as usual made an excellent speech at the 10th Armd's Reunion Banquet. This is the outfit in which Critt's son Woodhull was serving when he was killed in action, 22 Mar 45.

The West Point Society of DC has a committee, headed by Critt (Bob Walsh USMA 1916 and Kike Allan USMA 1919) planning a big day for the Army-GWU football game. It's a big occasion for Washington, since it will have been the first time that an Army team has played there, supported by one regiment of the Corps of Cadets, plus the Supes et al.

From the Editor's poop sheet for the guidance of class reporters it appears that only 60% of the Grads subscribe to ASSEMBLY leaving 40% in the cold dark. This is *all* the *more reason for continuing* our annual Christmas Letter, so ably produced by Doug Greene. Remember this, write your letter to Doug and COME to Reunion in '63.

'14

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It is with sorrow that I announce the death of Evelyn Downs, widow of our Peter, at San Antonio on 30 Jul 62. As you will recall, Peter passed away on 20 Apr 57. Evelyn was buried in Arlington National Cemetery beside the grave of Peter. She is survived by two daughters: Kay (Mrs. Chester L. C.) Johnson, 305 Sierra Ventova, Mexico City; and Mary Elizabeth Downs, 1820 Scenic Ave., Berkeley 9, Calif.

The loss of Evelyn leaves only nine 1914's in San Antonio: Elmer and Bebe Adler, Cecile Clark, Ike and Lilian Gill, Tim and Amy Rees, and Earll and me. George Febiger was also here until recently, but he has returned to Palo Alto, Calif., where his address is 794 University Ave.

As I was writing this, I received a long and interesting letter from Pilar Lim, written in response to my mimeograph. As I shall explain later you will all be able to read the letter. I was awfully sorry to learn of the death last March of one of Pilar's sons, Luis,

in an airplane crash. I am writing her, expressing the sympathy of the Class. Pilar's address is 616 Vito Cruz St., Manila.

You will all be interested to know that Jim Cress has appointed our 50th Reunion (1964) Committee, consisting of Charlie Gross, Chairman; Whit Whitten, and Skimp Brand. All indications are that it will be very well attended, even more than our 45th. The returns are not all in yet, but in my next letter I shall be able to make a well educated guess of how many classmates and class widows will attend.

Johnnie Markoe's letter brought the bad news that he is seriously ill in a hospital with a heart condition. I know he would be awfully glad to hear from you. His address: St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha, Neb. Write him.

Ralph and Agnes Royce are at present in San Francisco where they have taken an apartment for several months. They have been traveling around and seeing classmates and Ralph has mailed me three post cards numbered 1, 2, and 3 recounting his experiences. Travel Report No. 1 told of a "reunion" of the Royces and the Monroes at a swanky restaurant in Eureka, Calif.; No. 2, of lunching with the Cresses and a visit with George Febiger in Palo Alto; No. 3, of lunching with Bill Ryan and Jens Doe at a Pebble Beach Golf Club and spending the night with Bill and Mary Ryan before returning to San Francisco. I wish the rest of you would write me about your trips so I could mention them in my letters.

The Royces plan to return home in October and to spend about a week in San Antonio en route. We are all looking forward to seeing them.

Earll and I vacationed in Virginia during the hottest part of this summer thereby avoiding the San Antonio 107° record temperature. We divided the time between visiting our daughter Bonnie in Alexandria and another daughter May in Virginia Beach. This gave me the pleasure of attending our class dinner at the A-N Club on 1 Aug; and I was one of several classmates who attended the graveside service for Evelyn Downs conducted by ex-Chief of Chaplains Luther Miller. Ike and Lilian Gill are still on vacation in Connecticut but should return soon.

And now here's some news that will interest you. The response of both classmates and class widows to my mimeograph has been so gratifying that I have decided, with the approval of Jim Cress, to publish all of them in a Christmas Booklet which I will mail out to everyone about 1 Dec.

That's all for this time. "See you sure in Sixty-four."

'15

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Whereas this is being written just before the 15 Sep deadline; and whereas the June number of ASSEMBLY has not yet been distributed; now therefore be it resolved that there ain't no news and hence not much of a report.

The N. Jay Boots award was awarded in July to the outstanding athlete of the Air Force Academy—Gary Forrest.

Busbee—Charles and Elizabeth tripped to Asheville in late June and had dinner with the Wogans. Both looked and acted exceedingly healthy.

Davis—Mike was a bachelor this summer while his wife Mary tripped to Germany to

check on the grandson. Mary reports everything GO!

Haw—Jody again requests that anyone who can give any information or incidents concerning Chew Williams after his graduation will please write Jody at once. Jody is working on the historical committee and needs help. Only information so far is that Chew resigned in 1923, fought in WW II, and died in New York in 1954.

Woodruff—Roscoe and Alice went to Colorado for their usual two weeks this summer. Woody says the trout were very cooperative.

Minor surgery dept (Minor surgery, as you all know, is that undergone by someone else.). Babe Conklin was under the knife in Walter Reed for a hernia, and Carl Hocker was in Brooke General for the same purpose. I am told both are breathing again.

That's all for now, gents. Don't forget the next deadline is 15 Dec—and let me remind you again that "work is the curse of the drinking class."

Adios Amigos.

'16

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The Spences have been covering the Far East—Japan, Formosa, Hong Kong, Manila, and Saigon, and returned to San Antonio in time for the marriage of their son Craig in July. Maurice Miller writes that San Antonio has broken the all-time record for heat this summer. He and Nola plan to go to California in the fall and then they hope to dodge the heat next summer by a trip to Europe. Early in the summer the Gallaghers motored to Chapel Hill, N.C., to visit the Robbs. On returning to Washington they received a visit from their daughter who lives in Utah. The Robbs are now in Japan and they may extend their trip around the world.

On a motor trip to Maine in July, Fay and Peggy Prickett stopped in Marblehead, Mass., to see the Barrows who took them on a 3-day yacht cruise. Later, returning from Maine, the Pricketts stopped to see the Moseses at Sandwich, N.H., and Ray and Fay had a round of golf. The Pricketts then went on to visit relatives in Michigan, going by way of Saranac Lake to see Savilla Bliss who has been spending the summer in the Adirondack region for her health. Brig Bliss has also been spending as much time at Saranac Lake this summer as his duties in Washington would permit. Dick Levy was in Walter Reed Hospital for an operation in June and he found that Woodward's son, now a lieutenant colonel, was occupying the next room.

The Kuhns also were in Maine this summer and on their way home stopped by to see the Moseses. Joe and Fanny Tully made a trip to Virginia and planned to spend a few days with their son Bob, who is on duty in the Pentagon. Calvin DeWitt's son Billy, who is doing graduate work at Princeton, spent July and August at home. Marjorie says he took over all the gardening chores which probably gave Calvin more time to practice golf for the fall games with Fay Prickett and Bob Walsh. Stanley and Mary Scott had their son Bill and his family from Dallas, Tex., visiting them during July. Spike Maulsby, stopped for a day in Washington after June Week at West Point. He had planned a trip to California but later decided to go back home to Florida.

Dwight and Laura Johns went to Seattle this summer for the Western Region Confer-

ence of the Society of American Military Engineers. Dwight is regional vice president of the society. Later they took in the World's Fair and then spent several days salmon fishing on an island in Puget Sound before returning home to Piedmont. Hearsie Henderson reports that his wife Lucille was operated on in the hospital at El Paso in July. She was back home early in August but would have to take it easy for a few weeks. McFarland Cockrill had a motor accident in San Antonio. He escaped injury, but his wife required hospitalization.

Willy Wilson was elected president of the Los Angeles West Point Society at its last annual dinner. Helen Inglis, who has maintained their home in Santa Barbara since Fred's death, spent August with her daughter in Seattle. Pat Kane, Paul's widow, visited friends in Minneapolis this summer and motored back to her home in Oregon by way of San Francisco.

Again it is our sad duty to report the death of a classmate. Tom Peyton died on 5 Jul at Richmond, Va. Despite a long and crippling illness, his interest in West Point and his Class never failed. He left a host of friends whose deepest sympathy goes out to Phoebe, his widow. She plans to return to Sweet Chalybeate in western Virginia, the home they left about a year ago to bring Tom nearer to medical attention.

APR  
'17

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An interesting item which appeared recently in the *San Francisco Examiner* was sent in by Bill Chapman. It was about a major general who had a BS degree from West Point, Apr '17, and MS and EE degrees from Yale, but wasn't satisfied. He had been appointed to West Point after 3½ years at Lowell High School and secretly regretted that he had not received his diploma from Lowell. When one of his former high school teachers learned of his secret wish, she set the necessary machinery in motion, and soon Jack Code was sweating over a batch of high school exams—civics, American history, math, science, and English lit. He passed these with an average of 99 and in June became a bona fide graduate of Lowell High School. Congratulations, Jack!

From Easton, Pa., comes a bulletin saying that John A. (PD) Weishampel has retired as associate professor emeritus of mechanical engineering at Lafayette College. Weishampel taught at Ohio Northern U. for 7 years before joining the Lafayette faculty in 1952. He had also held teaching posts at Pratt Institute, Newark College of Engineering, and Bayonne (N.J.) Technical H.S. He received his MS at NYU in 1926. He and his wife Laura live with their son Samuel at 215 Reeder St., Easton. They have three other children: Mrs. Robert Spurney of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. E.M. Lawton of Toledo, Ohio; and John A. Weishampel Jr. of Reading, Pa. During WW II Weishampel taught in Army programs at Shriveham, England, Biarritz, France, and the U. of Ala. He retired from the Army as a captain after service in Europe with the 1st Div, 16th Inf MG Co, during WW I.

Since Sackville retired in 1951, he and Gladys have found plenty to keep them interested and busy. Their first interest is in their daughter Victoria (Vicki), who is now 17. After her come art and travel. They have

spent several years abroad, and both have made a serious study of art. Sack has studied oil painting 4 years, including 1 year each in Madrid (1955) and Rome (1956). Gladys studied sculpture in Rome in 1956. From 1955 to 1957 Vicki was in school in Switzerland. Since 1959 the Sackville family has lived in Lake Worth, Fla.

As most of you know, my wonderful and beloved wife Jeanette died on 24 Jul. During the past year she and I enjoyed trips to California and Honolulu, to Puerto Rico and Panama, and to Europe; and we had a grand time at reunion in June. She was active until 22 Jul, when she had a heart attack. She loved the Army and especially the Class of April '17. I sincerely appreciate the kind letters and notes I have received.

AUG  
'17

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From Emily Bingham comes news of Bobby Bringham and family. Bobby's arthritis kept him away from the reunion. We sympathize with him on two counts—his missing the reunion, and the awful misery that goes with the affliction. Bob Jr., promoted to colonel last June, is at the War College. John is at Ft. Knox. Pete is at Lawrence Radiation Laboratory in Berkeley. He was to be married 1 Sept in Oakland. His wife, a former Pan American stewardess who speaks several languages, is a graduate of the U. of Calif., and has recently been in university extension work. All our best wishes to them.

We had a long letter from Jack Knight. He has been extremely busy with his many activities, both business and labors of love for others. The Cuss III, floating oil-well-drilling rig for drilling in deep water—in use now in the Gulf, off the coast of lower California, Alaska, and West Indies, among others—has been keeping him very well-occupied. Milestones of progress and success!

Dutch Gerhardt now lives in New Shrewsbury, N.J.; Ruddy Whitelegg in Rutherford, N.J.; and Everett Brown in Gloucester, Mass.

Dutch and Teddy, Jules and Catherine, and Jack and Mary are expected to attend our class luncheon at the A-N Club at noon on 12 Nov. since Veterans Day falls on Sunday.

Another fine event in Washington this fall will be the Army-GW game at the new, beautiful DC stadium. There will be a luncheon before the game in one of the dining rooms at the stadium, sponsored by the District West Point Society; and the night before the game a joint concert by the Cadet Glee Club and the Military Academy Band will be given in Constitution Hall. If interested, write for further information when you need it.

Bart Harlowe is the new managing-director designate of Honolulu's Charter. Bart moves up from being director of the advanced management program of the U. of Hawaii for the past 9 years. He was district engineer during the construction of Tripler General Hospital in Hawaii and the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. He prepared the engineering report on the second entrance to Honolulu harbor which was opened on 18 Jul. He and Virginia have lived in Honolulu since 1947. Son Jack B. is a business consultant in New York, and daughter Ann Truscott is living at Ft. Leavenworth, while her husband is on duty in Korea. Our best wishes

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during the new responsibilities go out to Bart and Virginia.

We expect Bill and Katherine Deeble to be with us on 12 Nov if not before. They will be going back south from their summer place in New Hampshire. Their only son Riley teaches history at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, where he also coaches tennis, wrestling, and "cake"—the lightest-weight football teams. His great passion is sailing, and recently he took a chartered boat, with auxiliary engine and one "raw" hand, on a trip through the Inland Waterway from Annapolis to Martha's Vineyard. Bill opined, "it goes to prove the old saying that men will do for sport things they would regard as great hardship if they had to do them for a living." No comment is made on Bill's statement that he has had a great aversion for sport since he was about 16. We hope we will have the pleasure of meeting Riley with Bill and Katherine at one of our up-coming luncheons. For all of you—luncheons are always on the 4th Monday of each month.

JUN  
'18

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Thanks a lot for the wonderful response to my call for news. Where some males were indisposed, the distaff member took up the pen. Other wives please take notice.

Scip Axelson writes that his last permanent change of address was not so permanent after all. After some 10 moves he and Norma are right back where they started in 1955, and happy to be back. Their new address is 625 Kirkwood Pl., La Jolla, Calif.

Heine Baish, on taking his routine summer physical, found he had very high blood pressure and other complications. Result, WRA-MC invited him to stay as a summer boarder. Actually Heine says he is not feeling sick, nor in pain, and is not a bed patient. He wears sports clothes all day and enjoys life in the lounge. However, he is on a strict diet, and Freddie Kimble, Sammy Sturgis, and Pat Tansey who visited him report Heine has renewed his youthful figure. He may have spleen surgery later which would delay his return to his high school math teaching until 15 Oct. He has a fine reputation at the school and they will hold his position open no matter how long it takes. Get well quickly, Heine.

Milo and Betty Barragan are struggling to recoup their fortunes after the June wedding of their daughter Kathryn to a fine local young man, Byron LeFlore. After several weeks of wandering about the country, Milo and Betty moved into an apartment at 1202 E. Mulberry, Apt. 204, San Antonio 9, Tex. Milo has resumed his teaching at St. Mary's U.

Bill and Mickey Barriger had dinner at the A-N Club with Tommy Tompkins and son Charles in June. Charles is Bill's godson and it was their first meeting; he is a fine lad of 10 years and equally resembles Tommy and Nonnie. While at the club they met our own Guy V. Henry and Betty (Fleming) Casher. Bill is still struggling with a nervous condition

and had another short stay in the hospital. He says that improvement is very slow but he's trying.

Bit and Mary **Barth** spent the summer at their place on the lake, ¼ mile north of Hague, N.Y., where all seven of their grandchildren, ranging from 10 years to 1 year, visiting them at various times. Bit and Murray **Neilson** attended the Founders Dinner at Leavenworth last March and were the oldest grads there. Bit reports Murray is in business in Kansas City, doing very well, and looking fit and handsome. **Bill Barriger** reported that Murray had been in Washington on business but they were unable to get together.

It is my sad duty to report the passing of **Beauchamp Bell** on 3 Jun 62 at US Army Hosp., Ft. Campbell, Ky. Clyde, retired for many years, was well thought of in his community—a member of the county court, foreman of the grand jury, and a member of the board of commissioners for the county hospital. Agnes writes that the children are all scattered. Young Clyde is a major attending the Armed Forces Staff School; his wife and three little girls are with him. **William Alfred**, his wife and two children live in Hazelhurst, Miss., where he manages a large hardwood flooring plant. Daughter **Dixie Brittain** is a pharmacist in Lufkin, Tex. Agnes, we are all very happy to have news of your wonderful family.

**Eve Blanchard** writes that when first married **Charlie** told her he would handle the decisions and she the correspondence. She says they play a lot of golf, and to get out of the Texas heat this summer, took a trip to Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Grand Tetons, and Yellowstone with a side trip to So. Fork Colo., for 2 weeks of trout fishing. Their daughter, **Punkin**, married to a British major, is living in Germany. They have two sons; the older, 8 years, is attending school in England. She and the two boys visited in Texas last summer. Eve and Charlie are planning a trip to Japan and the Philippines next year but hope it will not interfere with our '63 Reunion.

**Pat and Dorothy Casey** spent much of the summer at their summer home at Bradford, Vt. They enjoyed having their daughter **Patricia** and her husband, **Col. Frank Clay**, with them for about 10 days after Frank's return from South Vietnam. Pat and Frank also spent several weeks with **Lucius and Marge Clay** at their summer home at Chatham, Mass. Pat and Dorothy will be in Las Vegas during the American Legion Convention and will host a cocktail reception for the Natl Comdr and his staff on 7 Oct. Pat was hoping some of his classmates might be around to join them.

**Meyer Casman** returned early in September from Brussels where he attended a Jubilee Conference of the International Law Assn. His new office address is 1229 Commercial Trust Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

**Lucius Clay** will retire once again in December, but he and **Marjorie** plan to continue to live in N.Y. and to summer at Chatham, Cape Cod. One son is a general in the Air Force and the other recently received his full colonelcy.

**Jigger Cobb** spent 10 weeks touring Mexico. He drove down the east side to Vera Cruz, crossed the neck of the peninsula to the other coast and down to near the Guatemala border, turned back north to Mexico City where he picked up **Nell** at the airport. Then on to the west side, up through California and back home to Chattanooga. **Jigger** writes he almost got found in first year

French and here he was flunking again in Spanish. With few road signs and no knowledge of Spanish he quite frequently got lost, but it was a great satisfaction getting found again.

**Max Corpening** took Grace and her mother on a European jaunt last May. They did England, Wales, Scotland, Paris, and Rome. Max says old stuff to him but the girls got a great thrill out of it. Max has just gotten in a new bunch of steers, feeder crop for this winter. He used to get to Washington frequently but doesn't travel much now. He promises a good old-fashioned buggy ride to any of the class who happen out his way.

**Savvy Cruse** quit working at anything like a job a couple of years ago and now he and **Margaret** do as they darn please. Unfortunately, having a very nice place in Las Cruces and **Margaret** being an expert with roses, iris, etc., Savvy has a lot more yard work than he ever intended to get into, which diverts him from his stamp collecting hobby. Savvy's two sons are electronic engineers in Santa Barbara and Los Angeles and both doing about as well as three-star generals. There are now two grandsons for Savvy to spoil.

**Jim and Juanita Gillespie** continue the even tenor of their ways with Jim taking an occasional exciting trip to Mexico. Their son **Jim Jr.** is one of San Antonio's up-and-coming young attorneys. Jim, like **Milo Barragan**, also has resumed his teaching at St. Mary's U.

**Carol Gould**, bubbly and full of fun, is happy about the recent marriage of son **Robert**, who is a petroleum engineer employed in San Francisco.

**Mike and Aline Grenata** spent 5 weeks in Europe this summer. **Rosalee**, their youngest daughter, who is teaching at an Army Dependents' School in Germany, accompanied them. Upon their return Mike checked into **Walter Reed** for some minor repair work and is now doing fine. He and **Heine Baish** were cheered up by **Freddie Kimble** making his rounds. Mike has now resumed his 8th year of teaching at the Allentown Center, the Penn State U.

**Bob Hamilton**, since his retirement, is working on his golf game. Says he is making some progress but as yet can't seem to put 18 holes together.

**Charlie Hoffman** is still in the paper business, the active VP and Treas.; and as chairman of the Board runs a Bldg. and Loan Assn. on the side. However, he and **Rita** are reaching the aches and pains stage and are trying to cut down activities a bit and enjoy the grandchildren. Their son in Atlanta has one daughter, and their daughter in Cheshire, Conn., has two daughters.

After a prolonged illness, **Alida Holman** passed away 29 Jun 62 at Brook Army Hosp. and was interred in the Ft. Sam Houston Nat'l Cemetery. Lane's plans at the moment are indefinite but for the present he will keep their San Antonio home open. He expects to spend a goodly amount of time visiting his children and grandchildren.

**Daddy Holt** and **Mary Mason** were in Greece for the spring and spent August on Cape Cod. They are now back at Richmond recuperating.

Last year **Paul and Lola Hurt** took a sea trip, together with several hundred Rotarians and their wives, to the International Conference of Rotary in Tokyo. Almost 24,000 from 76 countries were registered at the conference. **Lola's** health is much better since they moved to Florida. Their daughter **Eleanor's** son **Larry**, one semester short of graduation from Illinois U. is at the Peace Corps Train-

ing Center in Puerto Rico, scheduled for service in the Dominican Republic. Their daughter **Betty's** husband recently completed his term as president of the Missouri Retailers Assn. By the time this is in print, **Paul and Lola** will be in their new house at 1225 Waverly Dr., Daytona Beach, Fla.

**Connie Jadwin** spent most of June coaching the Warrenton Pony Club kids in riding. In July he and **Peg** tripped through New Jersey and New England, visiting all the grandchildren. In August they judged a horse show at Hot Springs. About this time son **Edgar** (Princeton 1952) the only Princeton man to captain a varsity team for 2 years (swimming team), dropped off his two girls while he sailed his boat in the National Highlander class at Cleveland. Early in September **Connie** judged the Warrenton Horse show. Son **William Hamilton**, who just graduated from VMI, left for Selma, Ala., to do 4 years in the Air Force. In between times **Connie** and **Peg** are changing **Dunnott Farm** over from a dairy to a beef herd, and doing some more remodeling on the farmhouse.

A note from **Freddie Kimble** to say that **Sammy Sturgis** called a class executive meeting and luncheon for 8 Sep to plan Reunion '63 events.

**Alice Kramer's** son **Bunny** graduated from Stanford in June with distinction. He had been accepted for Stanford Graduate School of Business but decided to fulfill her service obligations first. **Alice** and her bridge-playing friend expected to leave 30 Jul on a slow boat to China, returning 9 Sep, to celebrate getting **Bunny** over the first hurdle—through college. Hope to have details of her trip in next issue.

Just received word that **Baron Kreber** was married to **Mrs. Ann Kaufman** of Columbus, Ohio, on 8 Sep at Ft. Belvoir. **Chaplain (Col) F. A. Evans**, who served with **Baron** during WW II and Korea, performed the ceremony. **Baron** promises that we shall meet **Ann** at our '63 Reunion. **Baron's** oldest daughter **Catherine** is married to **Col. S. E. Latham**, stationed at Vandenburg AF Base. They live in Santa Maria, Calif., with their son and daughter. His second daughter **Jessie Mae** is married to **Col. R. J. Welsh**, stationed at NORAD. They live in Colorado Springs with their four children; their oldest son expects to enter the Service this year.

**Spike and Anna Mary Lorence** left Washington in mid-June for their summer home on **Neal Lake** in the Green Mts. of Vermont. On the way up they stopped in Penn Dutch country to indulge in one of their various hobbies—bartering off early American handicraft, picked up at auctions in both the South and New England, for early American and English books. Five boxes of books this time which **Spike** uses in winter research, sandwiched in between stamp collecting which both he and **Anna Mary** enjoy. En route north they spent a long weekend with daughter **Dorothy** and husband at **Charlemont, Mass.**, on the Mohawk Trail. In mid-August they returned to Washington for a short business trip, the station wagon loaded with beautiful pine lumber cut from their own woods and to be used to panel a room in their Washington house. They took 10 days returning to Vermont, following the Atlantic coastline up Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine. **Spike** is now taking a vacation from his summer outdoor chores by staying indoors to write these notes.

**Bob and Eleanor Offley** are enjoying the best of health, and the carefree life on **Laguna Beach** agrees with them to the Nth de-

gree, so much so that they continually cancel plans for extended auto trips. Bob Jr. (USMA 1942), a full colonel and now a student at the National War College, is carrying on the Army life for the Olffley family.

Ollie Oliphant, after retiring from Met. Life 5 years ago, took over as Exec VP of Security and Bonded Maintenance Corp., to keep busy 3 days a week and keep out of Bobbie's hair. For pastime he cuts the grass on an acre of land surrounding the house and is landscaping the remaining acre.

Jim and Mildred Pichel took a Hawaiian jaunt in April and are now enjoying San Francisco and golfing at the Presidio. They visited Scip and Norma Axelson in June. Jim says Pat Patterson has retired from the SF Health Dept. and is busy reading and playing bridge; but Pierre Agnew is happy he won't have to retire at 65 and will be needed quite a few more years on his job. Jim mentioned that Bob Horr received his Life Masters bridge certificate (see last issue) and that he is really a wizard and gets more tricks out of a hand than anyone he has ever played with.

Marian Ross visited her sister, wife of Bob Bingham (USMA 1917), and her daughter Katharine Crichton and family at Washington during early June; then left for Paris to spend the summer with her other daughter, Marian Karrick, and family.

Earle Rundell slipped on a wet step as he was going in for a swim and had his leg in a cast for about 3 weeks. He claims this prevented him from writing, so Bee, who has the same task with her Class that I have, took her pen in hand. Other wives go ye and do likewise if and when your boyfriend is doing bunk fatigue. Earle hopes to discard his cane before they go south. Son Bud (Col. F.E.II, AF) has been transferred to Washington and lives with his family in McLean, Va. Daughter Bobbie's husband, Col. Jim Beddow, CE, is Dist Engr at Walla Walla, Wash.; their oldest daughter is a sophomore at Wash. State and their youngest is in first year high. Earle and Bee are looking forward to our '63 Reunion.

Eddie and Laura Sibert are resettling into their old routine after '60 and '61 duty with the Dept of Defense. From mid-April to Thanksgiving they were at their home on the island of Martha's Vineyard. July was family reunion time, as their two sons and daughter, with spouses and nine of the 10 grandchildren, were present. Son Bill is a Lt Col, Army, as is their son-in-law, A. Cowper Smith Jr. Their oldest son is an officer in the Bankers Trust Co. of N.Y. Early in December, Eddie and Laura will be at the Yeaman's Hall Club, which is about 10 miles north of Charleston, S.C., and is a community of golf and bridge players. Being the head of two sizable establishments, Eddie is now an expert maintenance engineer (Ollie Oliphant take notice) and a practicing horticulturist specializing in lawn care.

My notices to Heinie Stenzel and Pat Timothy were returned. If anyone knows their present address, please advise me.

Sam and Fran Sturgis spent 2 weeks this summer with their daughter Punks and son-in-law Dick Knox, in their new apartment overlooking Lake Michigan. Fran is fine and playing fine golf, and Sam, in an electric cart, is golfing right along with her.

Sam Sturgis called our Exec Com in session 8 Sep re accommodations available in vicinity of West Point for the '63 Reunion. Crowley Gruhn has compiled a sizable list of facilities. All classmates and widows will receive

a bulletin covering these matters and are cautioned to make reservations for their families as soon as possible, unless families are not to accompany them and they plan to stay in barracks.

Pat and Jody Tansey I spent family weekend at the USNA as guests of Midshipman Pat Tansey III, class of 1966. Col. Pat Tansey II and family, together with young Pat's maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Guillou, also attended the traditional Navy Plebe celebration. After the reunion, Pat II left by plane for Korea, and Ensign Michael Tansey, USN, joined the *USS Beale*, wearing his shoulder boards, a graduation gift from Freddie Kimble.

Tom and Bunny Ward returned from their trip to Europe and looked grand, according to Pat Casey's report.

Tommy Tompkins took his son Charles via Washington to Carolina to spend the summer with one of his daughters. Charles met Bill Barriger, one of his godfathers en route. Tommy now hopes to arrange a meeting with the other godfather, Lane Holman. Tommy will again be at the Navy game this year and hopes to see some of you there, his principal reason for going.

Jaw and Betty Weeks are keeping busy on the Monterey Peninsula. Betty is the publicity chairman for the Monterey Peninsula Volunteer Services and Jaw is pressed into service from spring garden tours to Flea Markets. Son John Jr. and family came to help Jaw and Betty celebrate their 25th anniversary. John II is a Lt Col stationed at Randolph AFB. Pat Wilson's widow, Joanna, also visited for a few days and Jaw writes she is still very beautiful.

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Brig. Gen. G. Bryan Conrad  
Sunnybrook  
White Post, Va.

The 45th Reunion Committee is on the job planning, with advice and assistance from Apr '17 and Aug '17 who had their reunions last June. Get your own ducks in a row. Arrange your affairs for June '63. A letter should be in your hands by now, if the Committee has your correct address, with detailed plans. N.B.: Report at once addresses of Class Widows known to you, and your own address if it has changed, to Brig. Gen. W. A. Holbrook,



Nov'18: Pinkie Williamson and the Bryan Conrads, the younger of which is the Class Caboose, at least as of this date.

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

Jr., 839-17th St. NW, Washington 6, D.C.

The Jim Christiansons have reported a change of address to 7518 Old Chester Rd., Bethesda, Md., telephone: 654-7182.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. William Wanamaker. Holbrook and other classmates attended the interment in Washington.

Good news from the Fred Sherrills: Martha has made a splendid recovery from her heart attack. The Silver-Tongued Orator of the Golden State is, we hear, in great demand to address service clubs, Chambers of Commerce, chapters of the D.A.R., and other organizations.

The René Pintos are back in Washington. They left San Diego regretfully. Winifred's sister, Alice, who for the past 27 years ran a school for professional radio and television people in Washington, has had to go to Winona, Minn., for special medical treatment and care. René and Winifred are in Washington running the school, looking for a buyer and settling her sister's business affairs.

Bixby writes that he took a longer vacation last summer from his job as Curator of Education at the Riverside, Cal., Municipal Museum. He drove up Highway 395 between Death Valley and Mt. Whitney, won three jack-pots in a row on the same one-armed bandit, spent some time in Oregon and at the World's Fair, and some quiet days in the deep woods in a cabin built by Ruby's sister and her husband. Bix states that he has written to Dzau but had not yet got a reply. With the teaching and tutoring schedule that Dzau maintains we should pardon some slowness in correspondence. Also one wonders about the efficiency of postal service to Macao. However, Peckham has had a reply from Dzau. Briefly and paraphrased, in effect he said: "I am truly delighted to receive your heartwarming letter recalling our pleasant meeting. I should like to re-establish contact with my classmates. Your letter caught me in the midst of Spring term exams with extra paper work. I am plain 'Mr.' here. I would like to get ASSEMBLY. Please let me know how much I should remit." In another letter Dzau wrote of his class ring being confiscated and inquiring if he could get a replacement. Inquiry at Tiffany's reveals that all records and the die of our class ring have been preserved and that a replacement can be sent to Dzau for \$175.

Our faithful San Antonio scribe, Fred Pearson, writes: "Has it been hot down here?" Yes, Fred, we know that it is hot in Texas, but think of the rest of us next February and March when we are waiting for the bulldozer to come and dig us out, and wild flowers are blooming in Texas! Fred writes that it has been so hot that he has been staying near an air conditioner and has not seen any of the boys but Charlie Moore and Mike Jenkins, early in June. While visiting his son and daughter in Michigan he saw Mike, who still runs the American Marsh Fire Pump Co. at Battle Creek, and spends his "spare" time promoting a Golf Club at Pompano Beach, duck-shooting, and fishing. Pearson saw the Moores at the wedding of Milo Barragan's (Jun '18) daughter.

Fred Stevens has been elected Treasurer

of the United Shoe Machinery Corporation.

The Ben Chadwicks are back from a 2-month trip to Europe. The Pinto Freemans have been in Ft. Bliss to see their son David, USMA '49, now a major of Artillery. David had been recalled to Bliss from England with his missile unit for some very trick firing. Pinto now has five grandsons and six granddaughters. Fred reports the Dunklebergs and Marches in fine fettle despite the hot summer.

The Maude Mullers are in Europe; address: c/o Maj. W. A. Hudson, G-3 Hq Seventh Army, APO 46, N.Y.

Frank Bowman's picture was in the summer number of *The Retired Officer* as the Regional Director for Korea where Frank is employed in a civilian capacity.

The World War I Classes Luncheons at the A-N Club in Washington continued throughout the summer, the second Wednesday in each month with strong attendance. At the September lunch were Badger, Canan, Conrad GB, Evans and his brother, Griffiths, Gullatt, Hixon, Holbrook, Norman, Pinto, VanVoorst, Whelchel, and Yoder from our class; Reeder, and Shaffer from Aug '17; Kimble and Miley from Jun '18; and Barden, Brannon, Ferenbaugh, Harbaugh, Jones, Loper, Murphy, Palmer, and Raaen from '19.

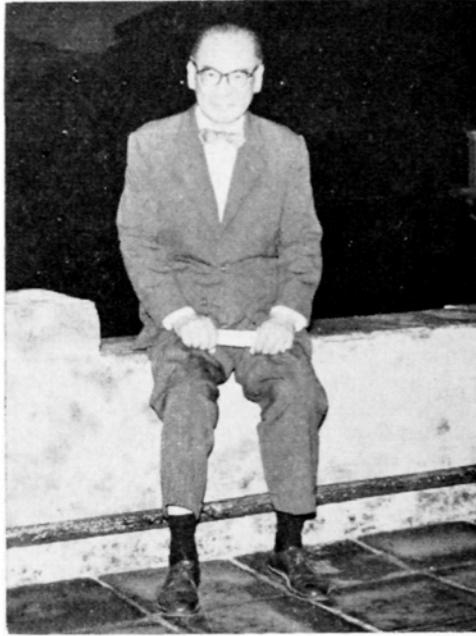
The Conrads had a busy summer. With a wet, lush spring and early summer we were very busy at the farm in Virginia planting spring oats and corn and getting in good crops of barley and oats and a most phenomenal hay crop. We also had two lovely chestnut colts born in June, one of which Ethel and I delivered personally as it chose Sunday night to be born, when there was no one else on the place. Ethel got so upset that she declared she would much rather be a mother than a father any day, and promptly went up to the house for a strong drink. On 31 Jul Ethel, the Boy, and I started north on the old trail to Madison Barracks. How well I remember it as a long, hard 2-day grind. We had planned to make a 2-day trip of it also, but despite a late start at 0910, good weather and super highways made us zip up through Pennsylvania and New York so that we were able to get up to the Pinkie Williamson's summer cottage on Cape Vincent in one day. 39 years is a long time! Pinkie, Alex McCone, and I reported to the 7th FA at Madison Barracks in 1923. Helen is a Watertown girl, so they have spent all possible summers in the north country. They had to guide me around and explain that the man I had just talked to was the grandson of the man I remembered of the same name. But it was great fun. Pinkie took us on a delightful boat trip all through the 1000 Islands and to lunch at the 1000 Islands Yacht Club where we used to play polo. Pinkie has turned in his riding boots for a yachtsman's cap, but he seems to dote on it and he beams with pleasure when he is at the helm of his sleek craft. He looks in wonderful health, though is still having periodic checkups at Walter Reed.

After nearly a week with the Williamsons and a weekend with friends in the Adirondacks, and a few hours in Plymouth so the Boy could inspect the Mayflower, we spent a week with the Eddie Siberts at their lovely place on Lambert's Cove on Martha's Vineyard. What a beautiful beach! Then, with a stop-over to visit various Boston cousins around Buzzards Bay, we finally got to The Squirrels where we spent the rest of the summer. We got back here to the farm in early

September to find a severe drought with pastures burned brown and crops diminished. So what we thought in the spring would be an over-abundance will barely eke us through the winter. Such is the life of a farmer!

The Director of the Artillery and Missile Center Museum has written: "We have located Mrs. Edmund Wilson Searby, at 55 Braman Road, Waterford, Conn., and she has donated the military mementos of her late distinguished husband for a memorial display here." For the benefit of doughboys and other auxiliaries I should add that the Old Guard House at Ft. Sill, where Geronimo was incarcerated, has been preserved, is used as a museum, and matter of local and Artillery historical value is preserved and put on display there.

Ethel and I were guests of the ALSOS Mission Reunion on 21 and 22 Sep. ALSOS, I am told, is Greek for Groves. The ALSOS



Nov'18: Linson Dzau in Macao.

Mission was a private bandit group maintained by Groves in ETO during WW II. They were commanded by a mad Russian of great personality, drive, and initiative but with little discretion and an actual contempt for rules, regulations, and the established order of things military, named Boris Pash. The scientific chief was Dr. Sam Goudsmit, a most gifted physicist with a superbrain, and winner of the Nobel Prize for spinning the atom. I spent almost as much time getting ALSOS out of (and myself into) trouble as I put on my many other interesting intriguing headaches as ACoFS G-2, ETO. The culmination of the ALSOS Reunion was a banquet attended by the August Personage, Groves, himself, and many of his Manhattan Engineer District scientists. Dr. Fredric Seitz, president of the National Academy of Science, made the principle address, a splendid, most interesting one. I could understand quite a lot of it and could see that some of it was getting through to Groves too. He smiled twice and applauded three times. Ethel was greatly impressed to hear Dr. Seitz, with respect and indeed enthusiastic approbation cite several old fellows including Bob Robertson and Heinie Zornig, whom she had known only as cronies and drinking companions of mine heretofore.

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Col. Carlisle V. Allan  
1304 30th Street, NW  
Washington, D.C.

Hugh Elliott died in Richmond on 10 Aug and was buried in Arlington, with a representation of Washington classmates present. Peggy will continue to live in Richmond, at 3007 Hanover Ave.

Bill Lebling, who was found at Plebe Christmas (A Co) passed away in Washington in June. After he left West Point Bill attended Holy Cross College, from which he was graduated in 1922. He was well-known as a civic leader in suburban Washington, being president of his own real estate firm and a past president of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chamber of Commerce. His widow lives at 9335 Parkhill Drive, Bethesda.

Rand Sheets, Ev and Ben's younger son, died suddenly in April.

Peggy Syme died of cancer at the Syme farm in Maine in May. Lee plans to spend his winters at The A-N Club in Washington and his summers in Maine.

A letter of condolence sent to Gladys Foss at the address given in the 35-Year Book was returned unclaimed. If anyone in San Antonio sees Gladys, please so inform her and send me her new address.

Horace Speed, the faithful legman of the Washington Group, was in Walter Reed from June through August for treatment of Parkinson's syndrome. His visit has helped him tremendously.

Polly Sebree has been released from Letterman after a long and unpleasant session with the surgeons and is recuperating in Carmel.

Ike Ritchie is now in Letterman and may be there for some time. Send him a card to Ward 1, Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco 29.

Winnie Hoffman and Elsie and Chic Noble recently attended a Cavalry roundup at Round Rock, Tex., at which retired Cavalry officers from all over Texas gathered to talk over the good ole' days on the picket line.

The Pee Wee Colliers have given up their newly-constructed dream house and have moved to an apartment in San Antonio (address please) because Pee Wee says the house was too much trouble to maintain.

Bill Wyman, looking as young and handsome as ever in the newspaper clipping sent me by Bartlett, received the Knox Award for Patriotism in July, at the Thomaston, Maine, mansion of Maj. Gen. Henry Knox of Revolutionary fame. The Knox Award is given annually to a living American for devotion and service to the country. The Governor of Maine extolled Bill's record in introducing Maj. Gen. Clift Andrus who presented the award; and Bill responded with his customary savoir faire.

White JC delivered the annual Fourth of July address to The Sons of the Revolution in the State of Rhode Island, at Newport. His excellent remarks were printed and distributed by the Society. Since his retirement in 1953, Jim has made his home in Newport where he is director of Civil Defense.

Charlie Chapline continues to be gainfully employed by a brokerage firm in Kansas City. (His son is his boss.) Charlie is president of The West Point Society of Kansas City. Pat Echols Jr., a member of the Virginia and DC bars, has opened his own law office in Arlington. Pat, a VMI graduate, did his military service in the Engineers and studied law while working as an engineer in civil life. His father continues his various

business interests in Charlottesville, and is a frequent visitor to Washington.

Al Gruenther was the principal speaker at the San Francisco banquet of The American Bar Association in August. He told the legal eagles that it was his fixed opinion that we shall be able to avoid a hot war. In September the Chilean Red Cross conferred its Grand Cross on Al for services rendered Chile after the earthquake and tidal waves of May 1960.

Our only honorary, and most senior classmate R. John West, recently sent me a copy of Col. W.A. Gano's latest book, "MacArthur Close-Up," an interesting and valuable account of Gano's conversations with Gen. MacArthur during the years when he served as the general's chief of staff.

The first chapter of the book, titled "The Crash," describes our early graduation and our return to West Point, where, the author states: "Never had West Point had such an assignment. . . This fresh influx could be treated neither as cadets nor as officers. . . They had been hatched, and couldn't be put in the shell. . . Professors were bitter. And the women were fulminating."

Oh well. As Al Smith used to say, "Let's look at the record." Gano, it will be remembered, shared the first section in our Plebe English with Sandy Chilton, and was the author of "The English of Military Communications" which we used as a textbook. In 1919 he was post adjutant to Gen. Tillman. A propos Gen. Tillman, do you recall how ancient we thought the Supe was? I have news for you. In 1917 he was one year older than the oldest man in the class is today. Do we look that old to the Corps today? (Gen. Tillman, USMA 1869, died in 1942 at the age of 94.)

Charlie and Margaret Jackson came east from San Diego in July for a short visit with the Wedemeyers. Al and Dade gave a wonderful party for them, attended by over 60 of the Class from the Washington area. The Wedemeyer farm, about halfway between Washington and Frederick, Md., is an ideal place for entertaining, and the Wedemeyer parties are fabulous.

The Class was on the move during the summer; the Springers were 5 months in Hawaii; the Vances went to Seattle exposition and on to Vancouver; the Count Wilsons left San Francisco in May, crossed Canada by rail, and then flew to Spain and thence to Denmark, Sweden, and Norway, returning to Los Angeles by a polar flight; the Shinglers toured the New England states and Eastern Canada; the Marlows spent the summer in Europe and the Mediterranean, including Turkey; Ham Young was in Bermuda for a month; the Allans made a cruise on an 86-foot schooner from Annapolis to Portland, mostly under sail (the initial destination was Cape Breton Island, but cold, fog, and rain in Maine induced them to jump ship and return to the more temperate climate of Washington); the Cranstons and HM Jones spent the Labor Day weekend golfing with Dunham in Charlottesville; Waddell was briefly in Washington in September but had to hurry back to Pinehurst for the National Amateur, which took place in his backyard; Eddie Starr was reported in Washington during the summer but did not contact any of our agents.

Changes of address for your 35-Year Book: Brown WD to 4848 Upton Street, NW, Washington; Hedrick, to King and Cornwall Sts., Leesburg, Va; Loper, to Bozman, Md;

Rice, to 103 Winchester Drive, Wilmington Park, Savannah, Ga; Twining, to 4731 Berkeley Terrace, NW, Washington; and for the widows: Betty Cole, to 2230 California St., NW, Washington; Rosa Kerr, to Apt. 432, 4000 Mass. Ave., Washington; and Marion O'Reilly, to 4205 Woodacre Drive, McLean, Va.

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Col. Leland S. Smith  
6934 Date Palm Ave., South  
St. Petersburg 7, Fla.

Congratulations, Lem, on your selection as supreme Allied Commander, Europe. The Class is proud of your achievements. Lem is thoroughly acquainted with NATO, as he was involved in the drafting of the NATO Treaty and in presenting it to the Senate for ratification. At the same time, he was the first director of the Military Assistance Program with one of its main objectives to provide equipment for our NATO allies.

Lem writes of the recent death of Col. Al Seitz, a member of our Class who did not graduate. Al died at Walter Reed as the result of old injuries from frost-bite received while working as a member of the OSS with the Yugoslav partisans during WW II. Al had lost both legs at the time of his death but was making fine progress in the use of artificial legs. Lem, Charlie Holle and wife, and Wilmer Merritt represented the Class at the funeral services.

Word has been received that Kadet Smyser's mother willed the Class of 1920 fund \$5,000 as a part of her estate, a very fine tribute to Kadet and to our Class. This should put our fund in excellent condition.

A recent letter from our genial president, John McNulty, gives the highlights of his auto trip to the West Coast, January-April, and of the classmates he saw enroute. In Miami, he visited Russ Eastman, who has a fine reputation in the real estate field in Florida. At his next stop, St. Petersburg, he called on Harry and Madeline Travis, who were occupying our house for 2 months while Myra and I were North. From there to Houston, Tex., and a visit with Gainer Jones who is the big boss of the Bank of Commerce. Gainer took John to dinner with the Houston Civil War Round Table of which Gainer is an active member. At San Antonio, Millard Pierson took John and Belle to a party honoring Freddie Pitts and wife who are moving to Orlando, Fla. Here he met Molly Williams, Dick Singer, Jimmy Walker, and Johnson OR—a real class reunion. At El Paso he was entertained by Hart AJ, who is in the life insurance business affiliated with the Equitable of Kentucky. He missed Puddle Lake who lives in Alamogordo, N. Mex., but tried to reach him. He attended the West Point dinner in Tucson, Ariz., with Joe Langevin and Schabacker, both retired. From Los Angeles they flew home, due to the illness of Belle, but I'm glad to report she is now fine.

Bugs Raymond and wife celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary recently with a party at Ft. Monmouth attended by the Tullys and McNultys. Myra and I also celebrated our 40th on 1 Sep with our daughter Natalie Gridley, in Springfield, Va. We are presently on a 2-month auto trip north and will visit with the Chitterlings in Glen Ridge, N.J., and the Trivises at Fair Haven, N.J. Claude MacQuarrie and wife Ruth, from Crystal River, Fla., will be at the Trivises with us at the same time, and we all plan on attending the opening football game at West

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

Point against Wake Forest. Just before our departure, Loper Lowry and Anne entertained us for dinner at their beautiful home on Tampa Bay.

Please send me class news for the winter issue, which will be due early in December.

'21-'22

Col. Charles J. Barrett  
Dept. of Foreign Languages  
West Point, N.Y.

Very little news has trickled in this summer and what there was was mostly bad. Millie Wilson suffered a heart attack, and Dolly Hughes' illness, reported in the summer ASSEMBLY, has been a long time in clearing up.

Caught in the doldrums were such things as the periodic luncheons of the Orioles in Washington, where the attendance in September was only five.

Except for Max Taylor, Jerre Dowling seems to be the only one who is getting around. He returned in July from a trip to France, which was one reason for his inability to make the June reunion. But there's nothing else to report.

In the April issue of ASSEMBLY were two photographs of Orioles and the query, "Can you name all the people shown?" Several requests have been received for help in identification. Just to let everyone see how good his memory is, here are the answers:

Larger photo, which should have been captioned "Summer Camp, West Point, 1919": L. to r., Pirkey, Murphy, Stout, Merrill (turned back the next winter for illness, resigned the following summer), Wardlaw, Little, Burns, Magee, Hensey, Sadtler, Hass.

Smaller photo, top to bottom and l. to r.: Little, Wardlaw, Magee, Crary, Cooley, Johnson, Conway, Spettel, Pirkey, Marsh, Marcus.  
See you at the football games?

'23

Col. Harold D. Kehm  
1421 North Jefferson St.  
Arlington 5, Va.

#### REUNION

The fire that destroyed the motel we had reserved for reunion knocked out Plan A. However in true Leavenworth style the committee is now dusting off Plans B, C, and D. Details will get to you in a separate letter. In the meantime, be sure to make your plans to attend. It will help our planning considerably if you inform us as soon as possible that you firmly intend to be there. You can enforce that intention later by means of a check. When the dope gets to you, be sure to check with others in your area to see that they get the word.

You may remember that we agreed that in lieu of a special 40-Year book, we would have an expanded address list to include avocation, vocation, spouse, and children. We will shortly send you a card to fill out for this purpose. Be sure to return it as soon as possible, or in those immortal words, "if not sooner, Sir."

EXCELSIOR!

I have recently learned of several inspiring forms of public service that some of our classmates are performing. There must be many

more. If you know of such cases, let me know about them. I am convinced that the Class would like to know about them, both as a matter of inspiration and also because wider knowledge of the fine work may bring it helpful and satisfying support. This is a particular appeal to wives of the Class, since many of the old goats are sure to hesitate to blow their own horns. Incidentally, in some cases the wives are doing the big job; so why not give the gal a helping hand?

#### MISCELLANY

For personal reasons this deadline has caught me in a position such that I must make the notes very brief.

John Stodter is now working for ORO, a research outfit at American U. Pete Leone is Director of Alumni Affairs at New York Military Academy. Hertford seems to have made a good recovery from an operation in July. Virginia Post is back in their home at Pebble Beach after a tour at Letterman. She took sick while visiting her daughter Pat, who is married to an officer of the British Army sta-



1923: Drummond G B '23; Drummond J E '55; Drummond J E Jr. '82(?).

tioned in Singapore. Young Eddie is still at Ft. Lewis.

Drummond, in addition to the picture, sent in the news that he has a son with the Sandia Corporation and another at West Point. The daughter is married to Capt. D.L. Ray, USAF.

The Osbornes and the Salsmans made a trip to Europe, primarily the northern part. They got to Leningrad, about which they are not too enthusiastic. But most enjoyable of all, they had dinner with the Larry Barrolls in Stockholm and were joined there by the Craigies. They sent in a card pledging attendance at reunion.

The Gueveras stopped in San Francisco enroute to an extended visit to Manila. They met up with several of our contingent there.

New addresses: Dan Chandler, Box 35727, Dallas 35, Tex. Duke Albrecht, 3660 Peachtree Rd., NE, Apt. E-4, Atlanta 19, Ga.

Speaking of Duke reminds me that his son was a graduate student at Johns Hopkins a few years ago and may still be there. Another report tells me that Bill Wedemeyer had a son who was doing an outstanding job in the graduate school.

Young Stu Beckley seems to be making

quite a name for himself as an instructor in Special Forces operations with the Thai forces. After giving several courses in Bangkok, he was sent to the outlying areas to train the officers of key units.

A few weeks ago I talked with George Buell, who entered with our Class but left in the middle of Plebe year when he and a fellow by the name of Echols had different views on mathematical procedures. George kept up his military interests after graduating from college, and in the due course of events came into the Regular Army. Though he started as an Infantryman, he wound up in the MPs on the suggestion of Babe Bryan. It was a real pleasure to talk with George. He is most enthusiastic about the Army and about our Class. He has a distinction that is unique, Mrs. Buell just finished a tour of active duty as a Reserve Officer—also in the MPs! Can any of you tie that?

At our Luncheon on 20 Sep we had Bob Dulaney and Dave Fowler as the out-of-towners. Bob lives in the Kennedy country in Virginia. Dave's home is in California. When I mentioned Buell's visit, Dave noted that he had met George at Grafenwohr in Germany after WW II. We firmed up a few ideas for the Army-GW game here in Washington (it will be history when you read this) and for Reunion. For the present, these luncheons will continue to be held at Myer on the third Wednesday each month. You should try to make one of them!

#### TAPS

We here in Washington did not hear of the death of Jefferies in May until I had a card from Gettys about a biography. I believe several classmates were present to pay final tribute. Fritz has written to Mrs. Jefferies on behalf of the Class.

Dick Russell passed on in July. Among those present at local rites from the Philadelphia area (Dick lived at Wayne, Pa.) were Scheetz, Biddle, and Dwyer. Pete Leone represented us at West Point. Fritz has written on behalf of the Class, and Thelma has written us a beautiful note.

'24

Brig. Gen. Cleland C. Sibley  
506 Linden Lane  
Falls Church, Va.

Craig and Dorothy Alderman have been lauded in the *Sewanee News*. Craig was honored by the Corps of Cadets and the Army upon his retirement as superintendent. Dorothy was a volunteer teacher of music in the Sewanee public school, served as president of the PTA, and worked long and hard for the Surprise Shop, which annually makes a sizable contribution to the Children's Wing of Emerald-Hodgson Hospital. The Aldermans have bought a large home in Sewanee, where they will live after extended travel.

Lt. George T. Crosby (USMA '60), son of George and Frances, was married to Miss Sharon Frances Haggard in McAlester, Okla., on 30 Jun. The young couple will make their home at Ft. Sill.

Doc and Eloise Eaton were in fine health and spirit on our recent visit to Asheville. They report two married children and three grandchildren. Jane, the youngest child, is a sophomore in college this year. Doc reports Sandy and Yvonne Goodman visited them recently. Sandy is a mere skeleton, down to a slim 235, having lost 40 pounds.

Tom Holmes wonders why the roaming Herd never comes near Franklin, La. He and

Lucile have seen one classmate and his wife in 8 years.

Howie and Henrietta Ker announced the marriage of their daughter Cynthia Ker Erickson to Lt. (jg) Daniel Anthony O'Brien (USNA '59), in Alexander, Va., on 10 Aug.

Slicker King suffered a heart attack during the night of 9 Jul. He was to leave the hospital on 3 Sep.

Eric Kuniholm has finished his research in Beirut. During the coming winter Eric, Tamara, and little Eric, 4 years old, will be in the Canary Islands.

Charles R. Landon Jr., son of Charlie and Beth, was married to Phyllis Rae Perry of Clarinda, Iowa, on 22 Jun. The young Landons are living in Pasadena where Charles Jr. is attending Fuller Theological Seminary. Charlie Sr. has returned home after a seige at Walter Reed.

Emil Lenzner reports that he and Ben Mesick assisted the following three sons of '24 in obtaining their masters' at the U. of Ariz. last year: Bob Lee, son of Pete and Bobbie; Jim Keeley, son of Shorty and



1923: Esther and Lee Shafer and Louise and Lyle Rosenberg at dinner after a chance meeting in a hotel in Hiroshima, Japan. The wives had never met and Lee and Lyle had not seen each other since graduation.

Marge; and Jim Hastings, son of Wally and Virginia. Young Bob Lenzner and his wife are in Madrid where he is pursuing his masters' before returning to teach Spanish at USMA. Junior Lightcap now reports that he is availing himself of the United Services Life Insurance Company retirement plan.

All reports indicate Ted Berkman has done a grand job on "Cast a Giant Shadow," the story of the life of Mickey Marcus. Red and Mary Bruce Mead have announced the engagement of their daughter Patricia Bruce to Capt. Lee Armistead Denson Jr., USAF (USMA '56). Lee is the son of Col. and Mrs. Lee Denson (USMA '20). George and Tally Millener announced the marriage of their daughter Barbara Adams to Donald Evan Wills of Honokaa, Hawaii, on 11 Aug in Knoxville. Mr. Wills has been on a year's leave of absence to study in The Alliance-Française in Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Wills return to Honokaa where he will resume his teaching position.

Russ and June Moses have had an active summer. Both boys, now captains in the USA, have been home. Bill, his wife, and two boys were there in July. George, his wife, son, and two daughters were home in August. Russ maintains his contact with Georgeson

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and Co. of Wall Street. He also teaches in the N.R. Crozier Tech. High School in Dallas. He reports that Tubby and Florie Burgess are spending the summer at their home in Colorado Springs, and that Luke Smith is now a director of business development with the National Bank of Commerce in Dallas.

Dick Nugent has been elected president of the West Point Society at Patrick AFB.

Zar Parnly reports 11 grandchicks. Don and Sandra (daughter) Bradbury just made it 11 with a daughter. Don is on duty at Norwich. Elder son Lee, Special Forces expert from Laos and Thailand, is a Tac at USMA. Son Walcott, forced to retire after the loss of an eye, is with G.E. in Burlington, Vt. Any of the Herd travelling the Merritt Parkway in Connecticut will find the Parnly homestead a mile east of Exit 47.

It is with deep regret I announce the death of Jiggs Runkle. He died in May but the report of his death just reached me. Although Jiggs was with us but a short time, he has been one of our staunchest supporters down through the years. Deepest sympathy is extended to his widow.

Peggy Skinner reports that Les was honored sometime ago at Redstone Arsenal for his work and research of rockets, which culminated in the development of the Bazooka. Skinner Avenue at Redstone is named for Les.

John W. Spurgeon (ex-'27), of 3647 Nuples Dr., Toledo 15, Ohio, is anxious to obtain a '24 HOWITZER. Anyone who can help please contact Spurgeon. (Write to Alumni Secretary, West Point. He has one.—Ed.)

Bill Triplet has retired for the second time. He and Marion have decided to remain in the Garmisch area of Germany. His postal address remains the same. Bill and Marion welcome a visit from any of the Herd who may be travelling in that area.

Mr. Charles Ward Van Way III, son of Charlie and Hazel, was married to Miss Margaret Rhea Hudson on 18 Aug at New Kensington, Pa.

Lt. George E. Wrockloff III (USMA '60), son of Red and Erma, was married on 28 Jul at the Post Chapel in Fulda, Germany, to Miss Elizabeth Nelson Stok, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Daniel Stok.

'25

Col. Charles P. Nicholas  
Dept. of Mathematics  
West Point, N. Y.

After 37 long years, who should suddenly appear at West Point but Bill Burbank!

Looking as young as he did in 1925 (well, not quite), with the same sophisticated and friendly manner as then, he dropped into the Math Department to greet me, and later we went downstairs to call on Mike.

The occasion for Bill's visit to West Point is that his daughter, 1st Lt. Arlene G. Burbank, WAC, is the officer-in-charge of the USMA Bookstore, and Bill came up to visit her. The bookstore is something new since you and I were cadets, and is not to be confused with the Cadet Store where we used to draw our textbooks (and where cadets still draw them). The USMA Bookstore is the type of bookstore found in all better colleges, where students may buy books for their own reading and general education. An excellent selection is available, ranging from classic to modern and from hardbacks to paperbacks. As you would expect, there is appropriate emphasis on military history and other litera-

ture well-suited to the development of a young officer's professional reading habits.

Bill Burbank is now the administrative officer of the Florida State Turnpike Authority, with headquarters and home in Fort Lauderdale, and he bears the healthy tan of that region.

Another matter of interest to 1925 is the enlargement of Bee Holland's domain as Cadet Hostess. Most of you know that for years Doris Barth, and then her successor Bee, have had only a small (although attractive) reception office in Grant Hall Balcony. Bee has now moved into a more stately mansion across the street, made available by the extensive rearrangement of West Point accomplished by the present Superintendent. He moved the post office out of Headquarters Building, where you and I knew it, into bright and airy new quarters overlooking the Cavalry Plain. Nowadays you can park your car right in front of the post office without being ticketed by an MP. The whole set-up is more convenient, and the congestion around Headquarters is steadily being whittled down.

To get back to the point of the story, what used to be the post office in Headquarters has now had the old partitions and fixtures ripped out. By a complete reconstruction and interior decorating job, the place has been converted into a handsome and spacious office space and reception lounge for Bee Holland and her assistants.

This is only one of the many (and incessant) physical and curricular changes at West Point, and when you come back for your 40th Reunion (yes, 40th!), you will have difficulty recalling where some of the old landmarks were. But certain timeless and fundamental things, which are the bedrock of character development, have not changed, and I am confident will never change. West Point's emphasis on the ancient military virtues—on integrity, self-reliance, responsibility—is still recognizable in every stone, as strong and durable as granite.

'26

Col. William A. Walker  
2605 Russell Road  
Alexandria, Va.

A letter from Frank Miter brought the news of Merson Leon Skinner's death, in Honolulu, from a coronary attack on the night of 27-28 Jul 62. Funeral services were held on 31 Jul, the Rt. Rev. Harry S. Kennedy, Episcopal Bishop of Hawaii, officiating. Merson resigned in 1939, engaging in the real estate business in Honolulu, in which field he was active at the time of his death. He was a member of the Republican State Central Committee, being chairman of its financial subcommittee. Merson attended our 35th Reunion last year, bringing his fine young son with him. Frank wrote that Edith hoped to have Merson's ashes interred at West Point. Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences go to Deedie and the four children.

Received a change of address card from Johnny Roosma, dated 30 Aug. New address, 15 Westover Rd., Verona, N. J. No further info. Johnny has been Comdt of Cadets, Bordentown Military Inst, since 1960.

Bill Ennis retired from his assignment as Director, Weapons Systems Evaluation Group, DoD, on 31 Aug. He is still in the Washington area at 4921 Tilden Rd., NW.

Nothing further received from the Class this summer. Remember I can't make the news, just collect it from those who will make a little effort to furnish it.

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You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

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Brig. Gen. Gerald F. Lillard  
4543 North 40th St.  
Arlington 7, Va.

Perhaps we should start this column with an overseas item—from Korea. As convincing as an organizer for the growing farmers' union is our Bobby Lowe in a recent snapshot (q. v.) which came through the kindness of daughter Katherine Lowe Knapp. The occasion was the presentation of a shapely corkscrew-tailed, well-stacked American-born hog to lucky Korean recipients, all arranged by the American-Korean Foundation of which Bobby is director of activities. Despite the possibly honest "What-have-we-here?" expression that Bobby seems to convey as he peers at the young Duroc-Jersey (?) rooster, we get the idea that he is enjoying bringing home future Korean bacon, so to say. In fact we are reliably informed that he and Katherine so enjoy life in Seoul that they are continuing there for another year from this fall. If their agricultural interest should grow, the Lowes may have to move deeper into Ole Virginia for space for farming, their Fairfax County home being inadequate for such ventures.

Also from somewhat out that way, Charles Hutchison, CG USArmy Hawaii (quarters at Shafter, office at Schofield), sent in much of interest. He reported that Paul and Mary Berrigan and Tom McManus and wife had visited briefly on Oahu on their way to Maui vacation and had been guests at a '27 dinner given by Jimmy and Marion Collins. Hutch also commented on his and Esther's good fortune in having both sons in the area: Charles Jr., with Standard Oil of California in Honolulu, and 1st Lt. Joseph W. at Schofield Barracks with the 25th Div Arty. Included with the family statistics was a *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* story concerning one ex-classmate whom many will indeed recall—William K. Blaisdell. Bill Blaisdell recently completed 30 years of service with the Honolulu Fire Department, which he had served in all grades from firefighter to chief, being the 21st chief since the department was organized in 1851 by King Kamehameha III. As the item read in part: "Blaisdell has the distinction of being the city department head who has served in his department the longest. He is the brother of Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell. Their father was the late Chief William W. Blaisdell, who served 41½ years with the fire department." Hutch, adding a personal comment to the news story, wrote: "I saw Blaisdell at the annual conference of the Honolulu Chapter of the American Society for Public Administrators last week and he looks like he could still play some football." Congratulations to Bill Blaisdell on all counts!

Many letters came in to Mac Miller and Woody Burgess expressing the good fun of the recent 35th reunion. In one post-reunion letter to your correspondent, Bob Perrine joined the active proponents of the Fabulous Fortieth of 1967. "Already we are looking forward to our 40th Reunion; and, if the 35th was any indication of the fun we will have, it should be a honey." Included also was a note of special class pride: "My son Charles graduated from Bowdoin in June and has

accepted a Regular Army commission in Ordnance with a temporary assignment to Field Artillery. At present, he is in a class at the Field Artillery School . . . following which he will serve in an Armored unit in Germany for 2 years." Congratulations to the Perrines all and a hearty welcome to son Charles as he breaks in with the shell, rocket, and missile artillery of today.

Another reunion enthusiast, Jack Spurgeon (ex-'27) was spurred to "pen these impressions, in no special order of significance, of our 35th Reunion:

Baccalaureate was moving.

Alumni Review was thrilling.

Class ladies were charming (and prettier than the Class).

Kaydets were young.

Rail-sitting drags were comely.

Hell Cats were noisy.

"I was sorry to see the Library gone and to learn that the Missouri National has departed the scene. *Que sera!*"

"In anticipating our 40th, I am studiously ignoring the fact that I'll be 5 years nearer Benny and the rest."

Our Lake Wales, Fla., travel correspondents, Harry and Helen McKinney, got in their stuff reporting on their peregrinations between 29 May and 5 Aug, mostly following the 35th Reunion at which they were indeed present. Their travel letter is much briefed herewith. From the Point they went to Champaign, Ill., to visit with daughter Nancy and family; there the son-in-law, assistant professor of speech and drama, is writing his PhD dissertation. Then on to Seattle, where they saw Fred and Janet Thorpe and "two lovely daughters, Freddie (Frederica) and Janet." Especially newsworthy was the report of the gathering by the Thorpes of local grads, including Grinstead and wife of '28, Harry and Peg Spillinger of '25, and our own Jazz Harron and wife, and Jack and Jiggs Stober of '27. Mac commented: "Both Harron and Jack are well and apparently doing OK. Jack . . . is with Leo G. Daly, Associates, a nationally known firm of architects . . . with address: 804 James St., Seattle." Near Ft. Lewis the McKinneys saw Jim and Marge Sladen '29, in "fine shape." San Francisco fun included assembly with

Paul and Mary Berrigan and the Tom McManuses (Honolulu papers please copy), plus a general gathering at Hillsborough with Woody and Betty Hocker, including Alex Sewall and wife of '26, and Chubby and Ruth Roth and son Arthur (USMA '64). "All these folks were in grand shape, pretty as pictures, and all in good health."

Then they went on to La Jolla for a visit with Ralph and Dorothy Doty—"Ralph is the same—gets a lot of fun out of life and could wear his cadet uniform today." Mac admiringly commented on Ralph's being a real "rockhound," finding, polishing, and cutting stones for jewelry.

Incidental to visiting Helen's sister Joan and family at Houston and Mac's sister Mary and husband at Odessa, Mac spent the night with our Henry Bailey, Alpine, Tex. "Henry has sold his Cad-Olds agency but still has a filling station and repair shop. His wife was away on an Amer. Legion convention, being pres of Tex. Auxiliary."

In New Orleans Mac talked to Howard Perilliat—"didn't see him because he was out of town at his beach cottage. He told me he was too fat and I told him about our diet." (Mac has convincing figures on the diet business and will bring them out at the drop of a safflower!)

Mac and Helen closed this round-robin of Class and Academy friends with family items that son Bud was due back from overseas in early October, with next post at Ft. Carson; and that daughter Nancy's son Larry and Bud's Jimmie both sailed into first grade this year.

Sometime back all readers of the *Journal-Register* doubtless saw a picture of our Larry and Ethel Kuter, with daughter Roxane Kuter Williamson and others of the USAF Academy Library, on the occasion of Larry's presenting 34 scrapbooks compiled by Ethel since '27. The question that may bother some of Larry's Army classmates, especially those back in the days when the Presidio of Monterey, the Kuter's first station, seemed more post-Mexican War than pre-Language School, is what of the scrapbook devoted to 1927-1928? What is in that volume? Should it not be sealed for a time—say until 2062—until goofer feathers from possible 2d-lieutenant

fallout can settle harmlessly along that West Coast and not be in disturbing density around the Old Oyster Loaf cafe, or at the former Hotel Del Monte, or in nearby, quiet Carmel? Seriously, though, the photograph of the presentation was fine, showing all to best advantage.

Blair Garland in transmitting a reunion make-up check (for 22 cents over the immunity cut-off!) included some personal comments of interest: "Sandra, husband Glen, and daughter Karen in Johannesburg, South Africa, for Colgate. Donald (Jake) now with the Army Support Group JSA Korea, ordered to 82d Abn upon return. On 11 Jul, I was elected a VP of Philco and transferred from communications division to Tech Rep Div. No ulcers—this civilian life is a pipe."

Just before these notes were to be wrestled into shape, Bill Verbeck called from Walter Reed to direct a personal news item, one which is not included happily by any means, but one which Bill intends shall reach you all. As Bill told it, although he stopped smoking sometime before the reunion, the medicos at Devens soon thereafter perceived a throat condition which caused them to send Bill to Washington. Peggy accompanied him into the guest house at Walter Reed. Bill was anticipating radiation treatments to commence at once. We are confident that he will respond well and will soon be his usual ebullient self.

This about wraps up this issue. As usual it seemed that there was little coming in by post, but perhaps the loyal souls who contributed in one way or another have again supplied a sufficiently representative column, one to keep us still around at least. All readers please get some newsy item in to me by 1 Dec, with Christmas greetings or New Year resolutions, with photos if possible.

'28

Col. J. D. Billingsley  
Dept. of Ordnance  
West Point, N.Y.

Plans for the 35th Reunion are shaping up and you may be sure that a most enjoyable time will be had by all. Letters have gone out to all class members and ex-members who are members of the Alumni Association. I am short the following addresses: George William Baker, Maurice Clinton Bisson, Frank Jerdone Coleman, Richard Wetherill, and Robert Wiesenauer. Anyone having this information please send it to me.

This past summer has seen the retirement of several of the Class. Among them were Jack Hinrichs, Ralph Nelson, AB Denniston, Bill Breckinridge, Evan Houseman, Lionel McGarr, and Dave Traub. Dave has accepted an excellent position with the New York State University system. According to my records there are 23 members still on active duty—17 Army and six Air Force.

Frank Trent attended summer school at Columbia U. and has returned to Florida. Verdi Barnes' son Lee was married at Scarsdale, N. Y., 31 Aug, Paul Adams had a busy summer directing Swift Strike II. Hank Everest has been engaged in riding in horse shows in northern Virginia.

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Brig. Gen. W. J. Thompson  
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Washington 15, D.C.

Since the Washington group contains the largest aggregation of people still on active duty, we are of course subject to a certain

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1927: Col. Robert G. Lowe, Director of American-Korean Foundation, appraising a porker, a gift to Korean farming from American breeders.

amount of turbulence due to changes of station. Lefty and Virginia Mace have moved to Hq Fourth Army at San Antonio. Jim Quill retired 31 Aug from his position as Dep Comdt, ICAF, to join the faculty of Syracuse U.'s College of Business Administration. Jim and Lou visited Syracuse in the late spring and were delighted with the city and the university. Not leaving the area, but changing job titles, is Marshall Stubbs, who moves to the office of the D C/S for Military Operations in the Pentagon, to head the Army staff section on chemical warfare and related matters in the reorganization.

Johnny and Helen Theimer have moved to the Presidio of San Francisco, where Johnny commands the XV US Corps. Johnny has seen the Krauses, back in their Pebble Beach house from their Washington tour. Doug Dwyre and Ed Hemstead had been in to see Johnny, as had Bob Myer. Ducky and Martha Hail have an attractive cliffside house in Sausalito. Mac and Patsy McKenzie were to visit the Presidio the day Johnny wrote, and Jack and Virginia Horton and two sons had lunch with the Theimers on their way to the Seattle World's Fair.

Dick Wentworth enjoyed his first year of teaching math so much that he has decided to remain in this field permanently and is taking courses at George Washington U. here to obtain a master's degree in education.

Higher education continues to attract other retired people. Jack Cone, still permanently based in San Antonio, is working for a master's degree in economics "when he can stay out of the hospital," Jack says. This information comes from Jack himself, in a personal interview. Nell and I spent a few days of theater-going in New York in August and ran into Jack and his charming younger daughter Alice on a subway. We had a hectic but nice visit between stations. Jack was in New York with wife Laurie, awaiting the arrival of a grandchild to be provided by their older daughter, also Laurie, and visiting his sister and brother-in-law, Maj. Gen. and Mrs. William M. Creasy '26. Jack looked hale and

hearty and fine, in spite of his intermittent hospitalization.

Alice Nesbitt has been made a grandparent by the arrival in May of John Gordon Nesbitt to Lt. and Mrs. William F. Nesbitt, USAF. John and Alice's daughter Ann, having graduated from the U. of Md., is now doing specialized teaching in Gaithersburg, Md., and spent 4 weeks of her vacation in Europe this summer.

Jupe Lindsey's efforts to gain more information on class widows are bringing some results. Grace Woods (Mrs. Ralph N.) is living at the Carriage House, 52½ University Terrace, Athens, Ohio. Grace writes that she has a little house and a garden which she enjoys very much; many friends; likes the atmosphere of a small university town; and has had visits there from the Jarks, the Wards, and the Bushes. She also provided information that Gene Nave, Spike's widow (Mrs. William L.), teaches in Montgomery, N.Y., where her address is 36 Union St.

Bill Francis informs us that Jack Bryan's widow (née Isabel Carswell) is now Mrs. Raymond E. Shinn, 4723 Baylor Drive, San Diego 15, Calif. Isabel herself writes that she has two married sons and two granddaughters, and that since she also raised a stepson, the little girls are their pride and joy after three boys. She had recently seen the Doug Dwyers in San Jose. Bill Francis also had heard that Dorothy Miller, Frank's widow, had remarried and was living in Monterey, Calif., but had no other details.

Johnny Underwood writes that Dorothy Fadness (Mrs. Allan G.) is living at 1951 West 26th St., San Pedro, Calif., in the house that she and Red purchased before his death. She is selling real estate in the San Pedro-Palos Verdes-Rolling Hills area.

The Class will be saddened to learn that Tom Taylor's widow Thelma has suffered a further bereavement in the loss of her second husband, Dick Russell '23. Dick died on 6 Jul 62 of a sudden heart attack, and Thelma says that she simply hasn't been able to write

**You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.**

the many friends who got to know Dick during their 2½ years of marriage. She will remain in her present home in Wayne, Pa., where her address is Mrs. Richard E. Russell, 699 General Knox Road. Tom and Thelma's daughter Sally lives with her there and works in national advertising with *TV Guide* magazine. Their other daughter Joan, who is married and has three children, lives in Richmond, Va.

Mish Roth writes that Ginney Karnes, Bill's widow, is now Mrs. Joe Revelette and her address is Rocking R. Ranch, Elgin, Kan. CG and Marion Calloway report that Mae Jones, Carl's widow, is established in California. Her address is Mrs. Carl R. Jones, 120 Highland Ave., Manhattan Beach. Dan Quinn writes that Kayo Merrill, Pee Wee's widow, has a new address—Mrs. P. W. Merrill, 1506 Sheridan, West Lafayette, Ind. Carol Arnett (Mrs. Charles T.) has taken an apartment here at 1330 New Hampshire Ave., NW, and is a welcome addition to the Washington group.

Danny and Charlotte Doubleday's son Robert was married in June at Griffis AFB, N.Y., to Miss Nathelene Allen, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Samuel L. Allen of Bowling Green, Ky. Young Doubleday is an electronics engineer with the Rome Air Development Center, Rome, N.Y.

Bob Ward writes that he and Midge are more or less permanently established in her family home at 2301 River Rd., Point Pleasant, N.J., right on the Manasquan River with fine surf fishing and trolling handy. They report all well with the scattered European contingent of '29-ers, which has now become even more scattered, with Joe and Jean Horridge living in a trailer near Izmar, Turkey, where Joe's missile construction work has now taken him.

Joe Colby, who is vice president for research and development, Rockwell Mfg. Co., in Pittsburgh, recently had a very fine article in *Steel* magazine on product growth and marketing through research. Joe has also become chairman of the board of the newly formed Technical Capital Corp., which plans to invest in the fields of electronics, chemicals, and automation devices.

A delayed report on a still newsworthy letter from Gus Herndon: Gus and Freddie are permanently located in Newport, R.I. (Ridge Road, no number, is their new address there.) After looking around in the Virginia and Rhode Island areas for nearly a year, they bought an old house in Newport and have been busy redoing it. Their place was the gardener's cottage for one of the big estates on Ocean Drive, and from its upper windows has views of both the Atlantic and Narragansett Bay. They are getting the place in good shape, but say they still have a long way to go, particularly with their 1½ acres of grounds. Both Herndon daughters are married, one located in Texas and one in California. "With us here in New England, at least we don't provide any in-law trouble," says Gus. The Newport area was very familiar to Gus and Freddie, since he had a tour as senior Army instructor at the Naval War College, in which he did an outstanding job



1929: Picnic at Ft. Belvoir, 12 Aug 62. Left to right, on ground: Freddie Wilson, Linda Sykes, Patty and Chris Reilly, Margaret and Babs Ostrand, guest. Seated: Jean Wilson, Bozo McKee, Weary Wilson, Gertrude McKee. 1st row: Kai Rasmussen, Gee Chard, Dottie Vander Heide, Ruth Hamlin, Harriet Stubbs, Isabel Wentworth, Emma Rasmussen, Ken and Jackie Nichols, Betty Reilly, Marshall Stubbs, Ann Nesbitt. 2d row: Bill Hamlin, Dick Wentworth, Joe Ranck, Herb Vander Heide, Bill and Kitty Bowyer, Marian McDonald, George Reilly. 3d row: Fen Sykes, Judy Lindsey, Alice Nesbitt, Bat Carns, Mabel Stevenson, Jan Carns, Tom McDonald. 4th row: Carol Arnette, Hugh Stevenson, Jupe Lindsey.

as reported to me in Paris by the admirals on the Hq US EUCOM staff there.

Another delayed report, this from Bill McCulla, states that Andy McKeffe is now living at 29 Third Ave., Olivehurst, Calif., and that Andy is on the west coast to build Titan missile bases for the AF.

McNerney announces that he begins a third career this fall at The Citadel, Military College of South Carolina, in Charleston, as an assistant professor teaching business psychology, personnel administration, and corporate finance. This past August Mac completed the requirements for a master of business administration at the U. of Detroit and will receive his degree at annual degree time in Jun 63. Mac and Gladys have with them in Charleston only son Kevin, age 12. Daughter Maureen remained in Detroit on a summer job there and to continue her studies at the university. Son Jim (USNA '57), is a submarine officer in Key West, and son John, (USMA '59), is with the Special Forces in Germany. Mac has seen George and Miriam Keeler in Charleston, both of whom are still in the teaching business; George teaches math at Charleston College, and Miriam teaches English at Ashley Hall, the girls' school.

Don Zimmerman writes that he is indeed still with Boeing, where he is chief of the system effectiveness office. This might be summed up as research and development, he says, or more practically, what combat aircraft should we be trying to make next. Marian Zimmerman continues her interest in oil painting and recently won first prize in the annual Boeing art show. Don and Marian have three grandchildren, courtesy of daughter Donna, who lives in Scottsdale, Ariz. Their son Michael will get his MA in political science at the U. of Wash. this year, and son Don graduates, also in political science, from the U. of Ore. this year. Don Sr. has become a full-time off-duty expert on, and slave to, the flora and horticulture of the Seattle area on what he describes as a young farm, where he grows and tends everything from figs, cherries, and apples, through azaleas, camellias, magnolias, boxwood, and all varieties of spruce. He signs himself, with some feeling, "Deciduously yours."

Paul Caraway was in town from Okinawa in August and had lunch with Kai Rasmussen and Freddie Chaffee. They report Paul in fine spirits, enjoying his job, and planning to see Paul Harkins on a trip to Vietnam to look into the results of Special Warfare training being conducted on Okinawa. Hugh and Mabel Stevenson have acquired a house trailer and are going to be on tour for awhile.

The Washington group had a good turnout for the July cocktail party at Ft. McNair and for the annual family picnic, for which Weary and Jeanne Wilson provided their spacious quarters and grounds at Ft. Belvoir. The Dick Wentworths and the George Reillys were on the picnic committee with the Wilsons. Nell and I had to miss the picnic, since we were in New York at the time, but Jupe Lindsey reports a gala occasion. Out-of-town attendees were Joe Ranck from Europe, and Bill and Ruth Hamlin from Ft. Monmouth. Both Ranck and Hamlin were here in connection with their approaching retirement.

Jupe plans to get a revised address booklet to you during November, in ample time for your Christmas card list. The Washington group plans a cocktail party at Ft. McNair on 9 Dec. Come and be with us.

# '30

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One aspect of trying to maintain a running record of our activities that carries with it a tinge of regret is the necessity for noting the gradual shrinking of our active forces. Three more retirements this Fall, and another probably pending, have reduced our numbers still in uniform to a pretty small handful. In some measure we make up for it, to be sure, in increased rank and stature for those who remain, and it may be truly said that '30 is still a potent force in directing the operations and the future development of our Army. The 29 members who represent us in many quarters of the globe carry a total of 70 stars on their hardy shoulders, a respectable and influential galaxy.

Louie Heath laid down his fighting gear at CONARC on 1 Aug. He and Wini planned several weeks of trailer travel before settling



1930: Bob Wood receives his 4-star flag from Gen. Decker, CSUSA, in the Pentagon following promotion ceremony.

down, probably in Albuquerque. His interim address is c/o Mrs. F.E. Wilson, 1316 Chama N.E., Albuquerque, N.Mex.

On the same date Phil Kromer decided to call it a long day and left his last command in Columbus, Ohio, to settle in the same community as George Gibbs in Florida. The address is Box 326, Melrose.

The announcement of Larry Norstad's retirement, of course, has caused such a national—and international—stir that there's little point in my attempting to comment on it. His whole career, and particularly his unique contribution to NATO, is of such magnitude as to belittle the remarks of any individual or group. Perhaps a simple salute to a great soldier as he turns over his final command to other hands is our best tribute. He will be greatly missed, but few men in our military history have more thoroughly earned the right to lead a private life, and we wish for him its finest rewards.

I hear, too, that Ted Bogart may be retiring almost any day now. He has been doing a tremendous job of winning friends for the US in the Carribean area, especially in Panama, by his forceful, intelligent, and tactful stewardship as CG USARCARIB for the past 3 years, and will be hard to replace.

Glad and Harry Boyd had a busy sum-

mer. Right after seeing their son Hap graduate at the Point, they hurried to Alexandria (Va.) to attend his wedding; dashed back to Poughkeepsie for graduation exercises at Dutchess Community College, where Harry is a P; and then had to dive into the job of packing HHG's for the move to their new home at 13 Cedar Valley Road, Poughkeepsie. Despite all this hullabaloo they sound very cheerful and pleased with their academic life. Alice and Prep Bradley are already well dug in in a handsome set of quarters at Wright Patterson AFB and Prep is attacking his assignment as CG of the Logistics Command with his customary dynamic competence. Their daughter Alice was married 28 Jul to Edward J. Coury of Pasadena. We note with regret the death of Jim Brett's father, Colonel Morgan L. Brett, who died in August at the age of 81 and was buried in Golden Gate Cemetery. Jim, according to Bob Ports, is becoming more and more of a civic leader, and a power for good in the Bay area, in addition to giving vigorous support to West Point activities there. Ray Brisach, having completed his 3-year contract with AID in Turkey, has come back to the Washington office of that agency to put in at least 2 more years in its Transportation Division. He is living at 604 Country Hill Drive, Fairfax, Va.

I note with interest that Rod Carmichael was best man at the marriage of his son, Roderick III in Hawaii. Young Rod is a Georgia Tech graduate, now a lieutenant stationed at Shafter. Bob Ports reports that JoJo Carrithers has reached some sort of a pinnacle in his career as an equine impressario, having successfully promoted a combined horse, dog, and cat show! What will this enterprising lad be about next? Felicitations to Bill Carter, who picked Bastille Day (14 Jul to you non-French students) as the date of his remarriage. He is settled at 311 North Underwood, Falls Church, Va. Make a note of new addresses for Carle Clifford, 8229 Calmosa Ave., Whittier, Calif., and Bob Cron, 60 Hardie Drive, Diablo Estates, Moraga, Calif. I hear that JO Curtis is looking very well, as he was when I saw him last Spring, but still reports periodically to Letterman for heart checkups and complains that the real estate business in the San Francisco-Oakland area is slow.

Spike Eckert has joined the Washington contingent, working for the Aerospace Industries Assn. He and Catharine have bought a house in Potomac Acres, Potomac, Md., quite a ways from his office but an exceptionally nice area in which to live.

From Seaford Garton I get the news that he had a heart attack in June; according to him, "the doctor has slightly decreased, but not eliminated, my Scotch ration, but has stopped me cold on cigars; after 8 or 10 a day for 25 years, I sort of miss them." I nominate this remark for the Understatement of the Year!

Johnny Hayden has completed his tour with MAAG-Iran and returned to the States to be Deputy First Army Commander at Governors Island.

Max and Amelia Janairo are losing children right and left. In the last issue I reported the marriage of their daughter Amelita; now we can congratulate Max Jr., who was married in August to Miss Maureen Comer. The wedding took place in Kaiserslautern, where young Max is with the 24th Engr Gp and his bride, a graduate of Drake, has been teaching in the American school.

Had a pleasant and unexpected visit re-

cently from Mandy Mandelbaum. He was visiting the Washington office of Stanford Research Institute, for which he works as a communications expert, and found time to top at my office for a good chat. He was full of enthusiastic conversation about the grand time he and Evelyn had when they made a trip to Panama in June and were most hospitably taken in hand by Eleanor and Ted Bogart and Ellen and Andy O'Meara. Our two generals arranged for Mandy to get in on some of the training activities in that area that were professionally of great interest to him; and there were numerous social doings, including a deep-sea fishing excursion with Ted that netted Mandy a 37-pound porpoise. He reports the Caribbean contingent in fine shape and he and Evelyn the same.

An article in the *ANAF Journal-Register* reports the marriage of Charlie Odenweller's son Robert, who graduated from the AF Academy in '60, got his wings the following year, and is now stationed at Sawyer AFB, Mich.

Through a rather odd chain of correspondence I've gotten a distressing report about Swasti Pradisdh, who for some years has operated his own engineering firm in Bangkok. It is reported that some months ago Swasti went into northern Laos on a construction project and has not been heard from since. My informant, Charlie Densford '31, got the word from his son, a company officer in the 27th Inf in Thailand, and to date no other information has come to light. The unhappy guess is that Swasti, being well-to-do, a known patriot, and a former senior officer in the Thai army, has very likely been taken by Communist guerrillas. We can only hope for some better news.

I lunched recently with Eli Stevens, in Washington briefly between two of his frequent trips on behalf of the State Dept. He gave me news of Bob Lancefield, from whom he'd had a chatty letter. Bob is proud to report that his son Richard is finishing his student officer course at Holabird and will then be posted to Germany. He also says that his law practice in Fremont is almost too successful—so many unhappy or dishonest or frustrated people in the world that he and his partners can barely keep up with the work load!

We in the Washington group are happy to have Marguerite and Tom Stoughton in our midst again. Tom is back from his command of the 7th Div in Korea, assigned as Deputy Comdt of ICAF at Fort McNair, where they have quarters.

Also back from overseas is our champion father, Phil Wehle. His assignment as CG of the ATC at Polk will be a big change from the *fleshpots* (and *chimneypots*) of Paris, but perhaps there'll be enough local yokels of the French persuasion to make the transition easier to take.

One of the pleasantest formations I've attended in recent years was the one celebrating Bob Wood's "official" elevation to four-star rank, effective 1 Sep. Bob and Sarah thoughtfully invited me to a small private luncheon in the Pentagon, attended also by Charlie Dodge and two other distinguished gentlemen, Gen. Al Gruenther and Col. John Virden, the well-known military historian and writer. Thereafter we went to the Chief of Staff's office, where Gen. Decker and Sarah pinned the additional star on Bob's shoulders, and where Gen. Decker and Bob made brief speeches. Alva Fitch, Ham Hamlett, and Tom Stoughton were among the group of senior

people who joined Secretary Vance to congratulate Bob. Worth noting, as additional evidence of Bob's unusual attainments, is the fact that in May he received an honorary LLD from Randolph-Macon College, which he attended before coming to West Point. He continues to be one of our most illustrious representatives.

That does it for this issue. I hope all hands have settled in for a snug winter, even though that term has only symbolical meaning for those in some parts of the world. Wherever we are, let's all root like the devil to BEAT NAVY!

# '31

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Regretfully I must report the death of Bill and Charlotte Train's boy, Bill III, USMA '59, KIA in Vietnam in June. He was buried at West Point and Don Buchwald came down from NYMA to represent the Class. The sympathy of all of us goes out to Bill and Charlotte on their loss.

Several letters received that will bear noting. Herb Mansfield is now librarying for the Menlo School and College in California. The only fault I could see is that the student body and faculty are all male. I think coeds add a lot to the campus. Herb did say that the college president enjoyed golf also. He reports that Chet and Virginia Diestel have settled in San Mateo, and Chet is teaching junior high school math. Glenn Rogers writes from Hampton, Va., where he is teaching in order to keep up in the education line with his 8-year-old son. Glenn and Mary now have a son in USMA '66, and if the tides don't get too high the family will remain permanent residents of Hampton. Cam McConnell has moved to Tacoma, Wash., where he is a 40-mile neighbor of C Square Smith and family who have just moved to Bellevue, Wash. CC noted that they will be there "permanently for quite awhile." He also sent along Bob Cheal's address, for which, thanks. Bob and Lib Quackenbush are in Beverly, N.J., where he has an administrative job and teaches on the side (gets uncomfortable after a while). Bob is a director of the Philly WP Society, has four grandchildren, a son '56, and a son-in-law '57. Lightnin' Brown sent a postcard with a couple of addresses for which I am mighty grateful. Any such favors are most welcome. Cal Coolidge sent along a newsy note from Saratoga, Calif., with some addresses: He and Ned Cotter are both working for Lockheed, he in AF work and Ned in Navy activity, so they don't see much of each other. I must say this Class is very ambidextrous, however. Cal says that Bob Cardell is finishing his year at Stanford and will begin teaching this year, possibly having Cal and Mona's daughter Judy as a student, causing Cal to do a little studying himself. Dick Carhart sent a change of address, but I haven't figured it out yet. I'll find out when the dues are due. Dick and Priscil Jewett have moved into a new house big enough for the visiting children and two grandchildren, but didn't mention anything about visiting classmates. Dick is now associate dean of engineering at Villanova, with additional teaching duties. A letter from George Hartman, who is presently working in Florida, but leaves 15 Oct for Guadalajara, Mexico, where he has started a corporation to manufacture fishing tackle. Since his product will call for considerable evaluation, he will probably spend most of his time fishing.

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I quote: "Also, we will have open house for all visitors, Class of '31." George also reports he has a son aged 6-months (Carl Damberg take notice). He said he had four married children but no grandchildren, and thought he would show them how it's done. All I can think of is a class present for USMA '84.

Two letters from my prime correspondent, Charlie Densford. He reports that junior '31 is well in evidence on the Mekong. Charlie Jr. is running a battle group for our own Ernie Easterbrook; John Feagin Jr. is dispensing tranquilizers as a medic, and Joe Guenther is bringing in the tranquilizers. Charlie also reported on a junior-size reunion hosted and entrepreneured most graciously by Jack Gordon. Primary reason for the show was Duke Ondrick, who got tired of life in the Ryukus and came to San Antonio and applied the spark to Jack's pistol. That's Charlie's expression, not mine. A collateral but debatable benefit was the presence in town of Tricky Troxel to give a niece in marriage. Those present at the reunion were: Jack Gordon, Duke Ondrick, Merle Fisher, Jim Mooney, Charlie Densford, Tricky Troxel, John Sullivan, Harry Candler, Jimmy King, John McGee, Ernie Peters, Leo Cather, Hector Truly, and Gordon Cusack. Others in the area couldn't make it for various reasons, including one who used the excuse he was working. Charlie describes the party as some choice refreshments, a lot of palaver, steaks, reminiscences, and jokes, none of which are fit to print, told mostly by Cusack and Truly. They apparently played the doll game: wind up the Cusack doll and it tells a story, the Densford doll and it sells you a side of beef, the Cather doll and it smiles and says nothing, the Troxel doll and it talks and talks and talks, the Gordon doll and it hands you a can of Lone Star Beer. Charlie recommends that those who missed this reunion try real hard to make the next one.

Charlie Hoy writes that they are all well and thriving. George Speidel was so busy with his homework that Tommy had to write that George will be teaching at N.C. State and they have bought a house in Raleigh. Caye Reed says Howard is very busy getting Medford, Mass., on the right track. The class godson is in New Hampshire, married, and has a daughter and a son, Howard H. II. Betty Beishline wrote but didn't say anything about Bo being busy. Most of us wouldn't have believed it anyway. The Beishlines and the Harrisons, Pat and Dick, jointly celebrated their 31st wedding anniversaries on 12 Jun. Not many other couples can make that statement. Ruth Lawson wrote (fortunately Betty is not jealous about these feminine correspondents) that she and Dick are moving to Williamsburg, Va., where Dick will be teaching at Christopher Newport College. Maybe Dick can put a little more military snap into those muster formations at Williamsburg.

The September luncheon was the occasion for election of class officers as follows: Earle Cook, president; Gus Schomburg, vice president, and yours truly, sec-treas. They had to do that; it will take at least one more year to get my filing system straightened out. The luncheon was well attended by those

hoping their attendance would preclude election to office. Blair Ford was up from Columbus, Ga., where he is in the portrait painting business; special prices to classmates. Bill Morin in from Philadelphia, after a long absence from these parts. Willie Bell is in Washington doing some promoting, officer promoting that is, and came to the luncheon. Frank Pachler brought along Andy Adams Jr., who looks just like his father, 30 years ago of course. Andy Senior expects to be back stateside sometime this fall and stationed in St. Louis, I think. Congratulations were expressed to Charlie Duff on his third star and his new job, Army comptroller. Bob Hackett was at the luncheon. He is now in Washington in Charlie's former job as budget director. He hopes to get a set of quarters at Ft. Myer this fall. Gordon Blake made his first appearance from Ft. Meade, and Steve Hammer told a story that bears repeating in mixed company. Paul Mayo stepped down as class president but has been retained in his secondary job as Chief of Finance. Might be for the same reason I was kept on as secretary. Unfortunately, I had other commitments and could only stay for the preliminaries.

Betty and I went way down south in Virginia the other day to Pat and Patsy Hunter's place to see Tom and Ruth Stayton, who were passing through here on their way to Tom's new job as boss at Ft. Bliss. They both looked well after their extended European vacation in Belgium. Louie Guenther, curly and Marian Wilson, and Eddie and Mike Brown were among the welcoming committee, along with other junior officers who formerly served with Tom. I don't dare not mention that the youngest Miss Hunter was also present, taking little part in the proceedings but spreading the Hunter charm everywhere.

The letter on class dues for this year will be out soon.

'32

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We are writing from a comfortable hospital bed in Ward Nine of Walter Reed and expect to be among the ambulant again long before the next issue. Therefore it is hoped that the brevity of this offeratory will be forgiven.

Pop Duncan, on a brief visit to Washington from CONARC where he handles things Operational, called to offer condolences. Young David, the heir apparent, is receiving instruction in French and Algebra from Ed Farnsworth who teaches in a prep school nearby Ft. Monroe.

Surprise of surprises, we finally heard from Bill Smith who called up to find out why he hadn't been receiving the monthly "Squid." Bill had come up from Florida to see his new grandson in Connecticut. For those who wondered what happened to W.R. Jr., he's been traveling the coastal waterways in a launch. He finally wound up in Texas. When time and ambition permit, he plans to write a pamphlet on the excursion.

Of course this is not news, but I can hardly restrain myself from pointing out that things are well in hand with Bus Wheeler at the wheel, ably assisted by his R&D Asst, Dwight Beach and his Logistics Chief, Frank Besson, to say nothing of Rush Lincoln, Sewell Morris, Frank Britton, Harvey Fischer, Bob Hewitt, and a myriad of other bright lights to steer the Ship of State to port.

Harry Porter dropped out for dinner one night about a month ago looks hale, hearty, and eternally youthful.

Speaking of Rush Lincoln, I received a note from him with the following information:

"The nominating committee to select the new slate of class officers is composed of Fischer, Hardy, Jamison, and Keating. They are to report at the class luncheon probably to be held in September.

"At the luncheon meeting on 30 Jul, a vote supported the proposal to reduce the class dues from \$5 to \$2 a year in view of the balance in the treasury. Dwight Beach felt that this reduction in dues might well be included in the ASSEMBLY notes." Rush explains that with the present solid balance in the treasury and an increased enrollment due to the reduction in dues, we will have sufficient to carry on future projects as planned.

Two new addresses for your book: Tom Hannah receives mail at Box 6107, Forest Acres Branch, Columbia, S.C.; and Steve Mellnik at 413 A Weaver Ave., Ft. Totten, N.Y.

I am receiving publicity of retirements. Some are en route. I'll brief them and include them in the next issue. Send along your news for our Winter issue.

'33

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Five class sons entered USMA this July—Otto, Parker, Whelihan, Clainos, and Fairchild. John G. Evans, Bus' son, graduated and has been assigned to the 82d Abn at Bragg. He has two USMA-graduate brothers: Roy '58 and Alexander '61. Quite a score in the Long Gray Line for '33 and Bus in particular. There have now been 46 sons of '33 graduated from West Point. Ely's yearling son, Bill Jr., placed number one in PE.

Scoville died as a result of cancer, at Walter Reed. Many classmates were at Arlington to say, "Well done, Johnny." Babs is going to visit around awhile before deciding exactly where to settle. Mail will reach her if addressed to 15 Hancock Ave., Norristown, Pa.

Montgomery is our fourth Lt. Gen. Dick is now Vice CinC, USAFE. Disosway has come to the Pentagon as AF DCSOPS; Gab moves into Dick's old set of quarters at Bolling. Gretser continues in the financial business at Ft. Sam. Also in the Fourth Army are Jensen, Army C/S; Alspaugh, G-2; Powers, at Bliss; Bowen, at Chaffee; Parr, at Ft. Worth General Depot; Due, has a PEB at Ft. Sam; Daniel, retired and works for the Comptroller of Texas; and Elder, in his fifth and last year at Texas A&M. Frank writes that his 13-year-old Billy consistently breaks 80. Recently Frank won the National Senior Left-Handed Golf Championship. Webster, who was in town in August, along with Doug Cairns, for duty on an AF selection board, reports from Stewart AFB that the base plays a very minor role in the present-day cadet curriculum, only providing facilities for flying groups of cadets to other installations, maintaining liaison-type planes for USMA Hq, furnishing space-available hops for cadets on leave, and keeping light planes for the 1st BG Sport Parachute Club (USMA). Watters visited the Tripps in what Soapy says is their class-reunion-size quarters at Ft. Mason. He reports that the Tucson area has an overabundance of administrative-type job seekers and a shortage of qualified engineers

and technicians, in case you're retiring soon and are therefore interested.

Gibbs, now in the OCSigO, discussed the Telstar with other Service at AT&T officials at a NORAD Communications and Electronics Conference. Ryan has assumed command of Aberdeen Proving Ground. Haskins is with the All-American Engineering Co. in Wilmington. Park hopes to find a job, after retirement, as a cartoonist. Dick has a brochure showing some of his art work, including his POINTER drawings of a "model" cadet. He plans to settle in Atlanta. Tom Beck plans to live in his present house, in Fairfax, when he retires next summer, at least until the future seems a little more definite. Calhoun says his USMA '62 son was literally "sweating it out" in 100° temps at Sill, before moving on to Benning. Conway's address is: JUSMAG, Thailand, APO 146, San Francisco. In July, Ted attended a high-level conference in Honolulu, with the SD, on the Vietnam situation. He and Eleanor were at the marriage of their daughter Ruth to Lt. Walter E. Willms. Flynn's son Tom has enlisted in the Marines and hopes to go to Annapolis via Brainbridge. Daughter Enid is in her final year of nurses' training in Philly. The new Materiel Command has Ely as deputy, McMorro as Redstone Arsenal CG, Sibley in charge of the Mobility Command, and Ryan has the Test and Development Command. Parker retired to take a position here with the Research Analysis Corp. The Gilberts, both relaxing from their teaching jobs, visited their AF pilot son, Doug Jr., at Valdosta, Ga.; son Raine is an assistant instructor here at Catholic U. Ben Harris has transferred to the Training Center at Leonard Wood. Given decided the expense of maintaining a large house and grounds isn't worth it and moved into an apartment at 336 Wayfield St., Orange, Calif. Bill writes: "I must confess that the incentive for hard work and big headaches is rapidly reaching an end." He complains that taxes leave too little to make the effort worthwhile: "I now think of a more complete retirement with some low paid job—like pushing a broom, for money I can keep longer." Hadley Richardson called on Bill at his San Juan Capistrano house; Hadley says he is so busy at the U. of Calif. Visibility Lab that he doesn't even have time to sail his sloop.

Stilwell commands the Army Support Group in South Vietnam. Neely, who has been designated master Army aviator, commanded the Strike task force in Exercise "Big Shot II." Teeny Powers recently helped to arrange a party in El Paso for USMA 2d Classmen visiting Bliss. Dahlen has been transferred from Bangkok to Korea. Fairchild's address is 100 Memorial Drive, Apt. 8-5A, Cambridge 42, Mass. Frentzel, our junior BG, is in command of the 56th Artillery Brig, Ft. Banks, Mass. Mundell retired 31 Jul to go with Motorola in Chicago. Lane takes command on Eustis 1 Nov. Johnson, CG of Leavenworth and Com of the C&GS College and now also commander of the new Combined Arms Group of Combat Developments Command, says that he was host to Harrell, Frame, Chase, Reynolds, Doleman, both Meyers, Chappy Chapman, Bastion, and Zierath at a Combat Arms Conference. Edwards is back in the Pentagon; this time on an Army selection board. Baumer, special assistant to the chairman of Johnson & Johnson, is now a BG, USAR. Bing and Bimby Downing's daughter Lynn married Lt. Lane (no relation to Johnny) at Meade. Duke student Bob Thompson's new address is 1511 North

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Duke St., Durham, N.C. Don and Molly Cubbison saw their daughter Paige marry Mr. Norbert S. Artzt at their home in Clearwater, Fla. Talbot, after retirement next year, plans a permanent home in Marin Country, Calif. Ralph IV is stationed in Germany; George at Hood; Bob in San Antonio with his mother; adopted daughter Carol lives with Ralph and Colleen. Ralph has recently seen Watters, Boswell, and Whelihan. Sellers teaches high school and junior high students, on a substitute-teacher basis; he received his teaching degree from UCLA 2 years ago. Ray and his boss Olive moved into a new house in Concord, with daughter Gladys (who was married Independence Day 1962), son Bob (presently fulfilling his military obligation by serving as a radar specialist in the Navy!), and Helen, their youngest. Their oldest, Olive, has twice made them grandparents. Herb's "... work involves a lot of traveling, especially to the lesser developed countries." Ed and Claire and younger daughter, Pamela (a sophomore at the U. of N.M.), live in a San Francisco suburb; older Carolie has presented them with three grandchildren. Bastion has been elected VP of the US Armor Association. McCrary plans to wait until next summer to retire, then to continue to live in his present Arlington home and learn to teach math. Mo and Ethel Kaiser were present for the marriage at West Point of son Capt. James B. Kaiser to Barbara Lockwood. Mo says West Point is as beautiful as ever; that there is much new construction but it has all been blended with existing buildings and has not changed the landscape. Lawlor's daughter Carolyn will return soon from Berlin and study for her MA in music at the U. of Mich. Bob and Eleanore expect to retire in this area next summer. Sally Vidal tells of Pick's meeting with Bruce Scott who was on his way to see about land his father owned around San Diego. It seems that in the olden days when all whisky was shipped to California in large kegs, Bruce's forbear made considerable cash by cornering the market on glass bottles.

'34

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The annual class luncheon was held on 21 Jun at Arlington Hall Officer's Club. President Fred Barnes made his annual report and turned in his badge of office. Since his report is of interest to all of you, it is quoted herein:

"Looking back over this past year reveals nothing which makes it very different from any other year in our class history. There were continuing promotions to high rank visited upon a goodly number of us; others found it expedient to retire and seek fortune if not fame in other fields of activity; Lee Miller got himself married in Paris; John Anderson got himself elected Mayor of Denison, Tex. While all this was going on, others of us rejoiced over the graduation of our sons from the Academy and our sons and daughters from other institutions of higher learning. The number of our grandchildren increased, we all got a year older, and the Class got poorer through a shrinkage in its treasury and not through any malfeasance of our treasurer.

"Last March we were all saddened by the sudden death in Paris of Don McPherson. As you know, Don was buried in Arlington. The Class sent flowers and I, as president, wrote a letter to Don's widow expressing the condolences of the Class. Early this month at

Arlington Cemetery, Johnny Franklin buried his wife Jean, who had died in Paris on 30 May. Again the Class sent flowers and I wrote Johnny to express the Class' condolences.

"As for group entertainment, we had two mixed parties in this Arlington Hall Officers' Club and I think it is safe to say that all those who attended enjoyed themselves. In November, prior to the A-N game, we again joined with the Naval Academy Class of '34 for lunch at the A-N Country Club. This is a custom which I feel we should continue, and I, therefore, recommend to the new president that he undertake to sponsor this joint lunch next November, something we have already tentatively agreed to do.

"At this point I would like to express my thanks to those who have contributed to the workings of the class organization during this past year—to the other class officers, to the committee chairmen and to the committee members. Without meaning to slight anyone or to imply that because I do not specifically mention you by name you have not done your part, may I pay special attention, first, to Jack Schaefer, who had much to do with our two very successful evening parties and who, additionally, without holding an elective office, has been largely responsible for these last three or four lunches. Also, he inveigled his secretary Jean—either through his charm or because he is a demanding boss—into doing many of the small but necessary chores which make these meetings successful. I extend to him my special thanks for all of his help.

"Second, I single out Bill Voehl, who has contributed more time and effort to class matters than perhaps all the rest of us put together. Elected secretary, Bill assumed the job of treasurer on my request when Fred Cook left for Texas shortly after his election. Bill was a member of the nominating committee, prepared and mailed out the ballots, counted the votes, had them checked, and passed the results on to me. So you see, if you happen to be one of those elected to office you can thank Bill. I could enumerate many other things he has done for and in the interest of the Class, but I feel sure all of you are familiar with his accomplishments in our behalf. I do, however, want to express to him my appreciation for his always willing assistance and my special thanks for the fine job he has done.

"Problems facing us as a Class are few and relatively unimportant. One is the lack of interest in the class organization shown by many. This is reflected in poor attendance at the luncheons, at class parties, and by the small number of ballots (80) returned during the recent election of officers. The matter of building up our class esprit and beginning our planning for our 30th Reunion are two matters—problems if you prefer—which I pass on to our next president.

"Newly elected class officers for the year 1962-63 are the following:

President .....	Cy Betts
1st VP .....	Bob MacDonnell
2d VP .....	Dale Smith
Secretary .....	Bob Kyser
Treasurer .....	Ted Bilbo"

Tom Foote is C/S for US Commander, Berlin, and is very happy in his assignment. Writes that the troops are the best in the Army. Wife Foss and family are with him. In between tiffs with the Russians, social affairs with the Allies, and daily chores, he plays tennis and sails a racing sloop. Bill and Ruth Gross know their way around

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
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Copenhagen and urge any classmates on European trips to stop by their "Paris of the North." So far as they know, the friendly MAAG in Denmark hasn't had any disappointed customers yet. Tom McCrary will take over as chief, Special Operational Planning, EUCOM. Attended the World-Wide Arms Conference of the Counter-Insurgency Planning Committee at Ft. Leavenworth this summer. Lydia will join him in Paris, where she will go back to her art work. Bill Cunningham is DC/SP&A, Hq USAREUR. Jack Renfroe is on one year of sabbatical study in Paris, which he started in July.

Recent returnees from overseas, Pinky Alness has reported in to be director of Weapons Systems Evaluation Group, OSD, and Johnnie Stevens to the 35th Arty Brig, Ft. Meade. Charlie Johnson has moved from AC SI to the JCS. Our class is represented in the new commands set up in the Army reorganization: Harry Hillyard and Tom Lipscomb are with the Combat Development Comd; Bill Bunker, Director of Programs, Army Materiel Comd; Hal Edson, Dep CG, Mobility Comd, and Bob Kyser, Dep CC, Supply and Maintenance Comd. Pee Wee Fellenz is CG, Deseret Test Center (Utah). Hank Neilson, Fred Cook, and Joe Piram are all at Fourth Army. Hank returned from Chief, US Army Mission, Lima, Peru, in March.

Tidbits from our retired contingent. Edwin Hickman lives in Bradenton, Fla., teaches high school math, and strongly endorses the west coast of Florida for settling down. Ralph McKinney graduated from Florida Stetson U., College of Law, in 1960 with LLB (belated congratulations), and is practicing law in St. Pete. Bud Buehler was elected VP of Bechtel Corp, Calif., and John Squire, another Californian, is finding retirement enjoyable. Anyone willing to take a chance will find Dave Hollingsworth in Reno working for the Social Security Administration.

The list of retirees is growing. George Gerhart, Jim O'Hara, and Dave Routh are all living in the DC area. Other recent retirees are: Dan Still, Gersen Kushner, and Gordon Warner.

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Another one of the '35 stalwarts has departed, with the death of Ozzie Simons on 27 Jul at La Jolla, Calif. Ozzie had retired from the AF about a year ago. Apparently his death came rather suddenly. Our sympathy goes to his widow Charlot and children, of 8147 Paseo del Ocaso, La Jolla.

Your scribe retired from active duty on 31 Aug but continues to live in Alexandria, so send any class news to the same old address. A number of classmates turned out to see the retirement review at Ft. Myer featuring both Joe Anderson and St. John. Joe will stay on in Washington and is planning to go into business. Larry is attending American U. Tommy Musgrave retired on 30 Jun from the AF, where he had been director of legislative liaison. He too will remain in the

Washington area. Mike **Bowyer** left active duty at Ft. Harrison and moved back to northern Virginia. We are happy to have Mike and Marguerite as neighbors. Looks almost like Washington is becoming a Class of '35 retirement area.

Jim Adams tried to retire and even had orders published; however, DOD was unable to spare him at the time so he continues to head the Joint War Games Group. However, he expects to quit within the next few months and go to California. I have heard that Bill **Martz** retired from Knox recently, but do not know where he is now located. Gib **Sherrard** retired on 31 Aug. His last station was USARCARIB. I understand Joe **Wiechmann** has settled back in Minnesota after his retirement. **Stanton**, who has been teaching math in Rochester, N.Y., received a Master of Education degree from the U. of Rochester.

Deke **Moore** retired from the AF last year and is now working for Boeing in Seattle. **Floyd Pratt** is teaching business administration at Wittenburg College in Springfield, Ohio. **Fred Hall** received another degree from Florida State U. and should be teaching by now. **Red Miner** is attending Duke and also is planning a teaching career. **Dunc Sinclair** expects to retire 31 Dec to Asheville, N.C.

Sounds like a lot of retiring. But **Ed Ferris** is the first to go full circle. Ed took his retirement from CIA this summer, having been retired from the Army for physical disability about 15 years ago. He is now commandant of cadets at St. Johns' College (HS) here in Washington and thus back in uniform again. **Throckmorton** and **Rich** take note!

Well now, just in case any of you are getting the idea that the entire class is retiring, I'd better get back to that run down on assignments, reassignments, etc. **Bernie Waterman** has moved from Carson to his new BG's job with the 1st Inf Div at Riley. He also managed a side junket to Greece during the shift. **Gibson** is Director of Procurement and Production for the new Army Materiel Command. **Stumpy Haug** has also been assigned to Hq AMC as Director of Installations and Services with a BG's star. **Tom Gillis** left CONARC in August for Fifth Army Hq in Chicago. However, **Hugh Exton** has returned from Hawaii to Monroe to be the CONARC DC/S for Operations, Plans and Training.

**Bud Russ** has returned from Naples, Italy, to the 5th Inf Div at Carson. **Ham Twitchell** is back in the Pentagon again after pulling his stint in Korea. **John Cole**, also back from Korea, has returned to the OCE as Director of Military Topography and Engineering. **Ray Firehock** moved to Hq PACOM in Hawaii after several years in Office, C/R&D.

**George** and **Meg Eckhardt** have finally left Ft. Meade. After extensive orientation and promotion to MG, **George** has become Chief of ARMISH/MAAG in Teheran, Iran. **Tommy Lang** has moved from Ft. MacArthur, Calif., to Hq USAREUR in Heidelberg. **Bill Grieves** gave up his job with the IG in favor of an assignment with the USASWS at Bragg. **Mel Coburn**, another new BG, has gone to Ft. Hood as CG, III Corps Arty. **Jack Duffy** is Director of Civil Affairs and Civil Defense in ODCSOPS in the Pentagon. **Norm Edwards** is attending MAAG orientation in Washington prior to assignment in December as Chief of Prov. MAAG Korea. Also a second star is in the works for **Norm** as well as for **Harry Lemley** and **Harry Critz**. **Don Eliget** commands the 45th Engr Maint & Sup Gp in Korea.

**Jim Kimbrough** is at Ft. Monmouth as Comdr, US Army Electronics R&D Agency. **Clyde Ziegler** has been reassigned to Hq AMC, which incidentally is in Washington. **Harry Harden** has moved from Sill to AMC Hq, also. **George Jones** is in Europe as Comdr, 66th Intelligence Corps Gp. He was nominated for BG, as well as **Ken Curtis** (still in Korea at this writing), and **Bud Schlanser** (now with the Test and Evaluation Comd., APG, Md.).

Our three stateside division commanders continue to make the news. **John Throckmorton** (82d Abn Div) and **Charlie Rich** (101st Abn Div) were busy during Exercise Swift Strike II. **Ralph Haines'** 1st Armd Div is one of the first Army divisions to be placed under the ROAD organization. **Ralph** was recently elected a member of the executive council, US Armor Assn.

**Jim Worthington** is Chief, MAAG Japan. He and **Kay** returned to the states for a visit last June to attend college graduation exercises for three of their children. That is a large order—and they all did quite well, I am told. **Paul Bryer** is Post Comdr at Ft. Wadsworth, N.Y. **Bill Chapman** was promoted to BG by the AF and moved from Washington to Paris. **Pen Wollaston** is in the middle of the Middle East as chief of MAAG Jordan.

**Jeff Rumsey** engineered an enjoyable class family picnic at Ft. Meade on 18 Aug. Wish there could have been more present—but, as usual, we had quality. Even **Bob Hardy** made it all the way from Idaho and points west. Good to see **Bob** again! We are hoping the new activities committee of **Glass**, **Rosen**, and **Bernier** will get the social ball rolling once more here in the Washington area.

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Back to school, new assignments—this is the autumn season and news! **Bob Fergusson**, **Tom Hayes**, and **Tom Swain** are new cadets in the Class of 1966 reporting to USMA. We have no sons at Annapolis in the new class, and I've received no information on this subject from the AF Academy. **Phil Gage** also goes up the Hudson—across from West Point—to Rhinebeck for his third seminarian year. **Lt. Stephen Holderness** wrote the Class a very appreciative note for his graduation gift in June. **Lt. Donald Noake** wrote from Williamsburg, Va., also expressing his gratitude for gift and the efforts of the Class of '36 in behalf of the cadets. Also a note from **Lt. George Sibert**—class baby—announcing his assignment to an engineer company in the 8th Inf, Germany.

**Abe** is in Operations, DA, after leaving his Armd Div in Europe. A close Atlanta friend served in his office during a 2-week Reserve "cruise" this summer (news of classmates comes from the most unusual sources!). The **Austins** left AF Hq and started work at Allied AF SHAPE. A real beauty—related as daughter, but not resembling **Bernie**—was married in Hawaii, name—**Dorothy Bess O'Neal**. **Ted Clifton** called one Saturday noon this summer to check on what he could contribute in way of news, pictures, etc. He indicated that **Tex Gooding** is in Jacksonville, Fla. **Tom Cooke** wrote from Redstone, he's been about the "unmoving-est" man in the Class; I think he's only had two stations since I've been on the job. As of this writing—and I never claim to be up-to-date—**Bill Connor** is still in Personnel in Washington. Heard from **TR Davis** who is still at Sam

**Houston**. He said he saw **Edie** and **Bob Saford** at Bliss, where the latter are with 1st Msl Brig. This makes two classmates (the other is **Jack Daly**) on the same job. Obviously I too don't know all the correct info; but you'll soon have your up-to-date address list to clarify my fogginess. It was a pleasure to receive the announcement of **Larry Ellert's** marriage to **Eleanor Sturgis** in May at Cleveland, Ohio. The Class wishes the **Ellerts** much success and happiness. **Bob Fergusson** was delightedly surprised and pleased when his son **Bob** got a late appointment to USMA this summer. **Bob** and **Charlotte** are transferring from 24th Div to USAREUR, Heidelberg, and I hope another star.

**Jimmy Goodwin** left Washington for Jakarta, Indonesia. Heard several times from **Bill Haneke** at Ben Harrison. His son **Bill** was home from the Point for a while. Also had a chat with daughter **Carolyn** who is married and settled in Atlanta. Her husband is at Lockheed. Between her and me, I hope we get the older members of the family to come back to Atlanta and retire sometime. **Bill** says that **Bob** and **Muriel Trout** have been at Ft. Ben over a year. **Ray Harvey** also quit Washington for Korea. It's a pleasure to announce—but it's also hard to believe these things happen so swiftly—the wedding of **Trudy Hendrickson** to **Mr. Terry Haralson**. It happened in June in Phoenix. Congratulations. Have had several pieces of news from **Helen Hess**, mainly because my son visited Philadelphia several times, and **Helen** wrote *him*. **Whitey** made three trips to California this summer—two for the sad reason of the passing of his father and mother (on different occasions). **Whitey** also suffered a leg injury which hospitalized him another part of the summer. The **Hesses** are due a winter of happiness and successes now as compensation. After what seemed but a short stay at Letterkenny, Pa., the **Hiesters** have moved to Aberdeen, Md. **Jim Illig** left Pentagon for CONARC, Monroe. As they usually do, after visiting in the Atlanta vicinity for a few days, the **Kimballs** called and said they were on their way back to CONAC, Macon, Ga. Well, we caught them for lunch on a Sunday anyway and had a fine visit. We were also invited up to Cape Cod to help reshingle their cottage and we had a hard time refusing this wonderful opportunity. **Henry Katz** left Redstone, Ala., for Army Audit Agency with station in Frisco. **Bill Kinard** left Arlington for Presidio of Monterey. He's still in the psychological warfare business. **Sandy McCorkle** left Kirtland, N. Mex., and became VComdr of Fifth AF, Pacific. Which reminds me that **TC Rogers** left Japan in June and said he was reporting to Hq USAF for assignment. Although I've never yet heard where that assignment was, one of my Atlanta scouts (again) was entertained at a show at Eglin by "General Rogers." So guess it's our boy!

The **Kieffers** arrived as Third Army Engineers and got settled at Ft. McPherson, Ga., in July. Members of the family are **Pete**, **Lois**, **Heidi** (youngest unmarried daughter), and the world's second-largest brown bear (now a rug, courtesy of **Pete**). This is their first visit here and an attempt was made one Saturday to introduce them to the city via the route that **William Tecumseh** (last name never mentioned in the South) took when he arrived 98 years ago—same month.

Got most of German news from your European correspondent, **Virginia Persons**. **Wert Williams** is in Stuttgart. She saw **Cordes** in Frankfurt when the **Persons** car broke down.

(Which reminded me that the Kieffers came to Atlanta via space-available from Washington to Paris to McGuire and they just happened to go over with Maxine Cordes.) She also was on a tour with Rosemary Tiffany in Austria. She related that Charlotte Fergusson had been back in US visiting her parents. Frank Gillespie is still at Ramstein.

Somebody ran out of assignments, because the Quinns left Ankara and returned to Griffiss AFB, N.Y.; same job Bob had before going to Turkey. I was about the most surprised person in Atlanta recently when the mail arrived with a lovely Turkish memento which Bob and Juana most thoughtfully sent the class scribe. It's too bad I can't really deserve such kindness. And then another one of our overly-considerate classmates mailed a generous check to inaugurate a class entertainment fund at your Atlanta headquarters. If you people don't stop sending me things, I'm going to suggest we raise class dues!

Bill Ryder was reassigned from Paris to OCRD. John Singletary is teaching math in Asheville School, N.C., where he says the scholastic standing of his boys is very high. He requested a '36 blazer—which is in process of procurement. Anybody else? Roy Shores moved to Ent, Colo., from McChord. Fred Terrell is no longer at Tyndall, Fla., but at 30th Div NORAD, Truax Fld. Torreys are no longer in Washington, but USAREUR. Clint True is at Selfridge AFB as Region C/S. He and Bill Kimball have jobs working on mutual situations, and exchange visits between Georgia and Michigan. Clint said his son TAT left AF Academy and is working in a good career job in Washington. He further indicated that Tinkie (wife) unfortunately had to visit her mother in Florida, where she had suffered a stroke. Undoubtedly she visited sister Mae (Arnold) who is at Tallahassee with retired husband Jack. Ben Turnage left Military Operations DA for Plans and Policy, Joint Chiefs. He also has put together the new class mailing list which you will receive. Fred Walker completed his Monterey, Calif., tour and reported to UCARCARIB.

Late news bulletin: Reporter Maggie Kessler reports from Redstone that after many false starts, Bob took off for Korea. He'll be Pusan Area Comdr. Bob Jr., who tried for USMA last spring, failed only physically and probably will make it next time. Furphy, Katz, and Cooke are still holding down at Redstone. New arrivals, however, are the Persons from Germany. Pete is Deputy CG for missiles.

Ben Turnage sent in a Washington area up-dated address list showing no less than 51 classmates. Some sound new so I'll take liberty of mentioning them. At Monroe: Beard, Dickens, Evans, Faiks, and Sievers, plus old-timers already there. In Pentagon new faces are: Cato, Hayes, Lynch, Norris, Ryder, Shea and Shuler. "Dangerous Harry" Dalton is at Andrews with Segrist. Looks like TC Rogers was just visiting Eglin (above); he's actually in Secretary AF's office. Charlie Simpson is at Aberdeen, and Joe Yost is at Ft. Lee. Since the retirees and wives are not too frequently heard from, here they are: Carmichaels, George Childs, Dunlop, Frost, "Admiral" Joerg, Milliken, T-Willie Morris, Doc Whitehead, Kay Christensen, Mrs. Hartman, and Velma Harvey.

Last week my sister and brother-in-law entertained the Combs up in Dayton.

As a post-deadline notice, the Class expresses its deep sorrow at the passing of young David "Jeep" Hiester, who not yet one year out of the Academy was killed in an auto-

mobile the morning of 12 Sep in Germany. May he rest in Peace with others of the Long Gray Line and our fallen classmates at that most beautiful spot in the world, West Point.

'37

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The summer has passed all too quickly with the usual turnover of personnel. D. C. is still the center of gravity of the Class—close to 60 stationed in and around the town. The informal luncheons during the summer were better attended than the regular ones. The next regular luncheon will be on 28 Nov at the A-N Country Club and every fourth Wednesday thereafter at the same place. The 25th Reunion Book situation is being reevaluated and the outcome will depend upon the response to our last appeal.

I have a PIO-type note here which says that Phil Brant recently completed the 6-week military comptrollership course at the Army Finance School.

Departed or departing the Washington area in the near future: Bill McDonald to Air Attaché Switzerland sometime in the future. He is now in preparation for it. Sounds like a choice assignment. Congratulations! Kelley Lemmon to CINCSOUTH in Napoli, sailed the end of July with brand new stars. Mary and the children accompanied. The last I saw of Kelley he was trying to figure out how to pack his recently issued flag staffs in his hold baggage. Advanced rank doth have its problem! Poopy Connor, on orders to Far East, is now taking the snake-eater course at Bragg. Westy Westover goes to Langley Field as Asst to the Comdr TAC. Pop Metz leaves the end of October for the Point to become the Secretary of the Association of Graduates. He will be our only classmate there but, with Pop, we will be well represented. We have had no one since Bert Connor left the Comdt's job. Incidentally, Pop and Alfa are now at Ft. Jackson awaiting the arrival of their third grandchild. Their daughter, Penny, has promised them a grandson. Dan Richards and family will take off any day now for Leonard Wood to command the 18th Engr Constr Brig. As you know, Dan has been our treasurer for almost 2 years, doing the many chores connected therewith in his skillful, efficient, and dedicated manner. The Class owes him a big vote of thanks. Fred Diercks is taking over, in addition to his job as Washington Secretary-treasurer, until December elections. Dave Parker left for the newly organized USA Mobility Comd in Detroit. Also joining him there in July, Gene Stann from Bragg. That was a short tour. We just moved you to Bragg in our last column.

Now for the add-ons to the Washington contingent. Finn Unger to OJCS as J-3 in July. On 1 Jul, Finn got his second star which was promised to him in our last column. Eph Graham is due in to NATO Standing Group NLT 3 Dec. Bob Palmer reported to DCSLOG. I ran into Bob and spouse recently at the bus station where they were putting their cadet son aboard, as was I, after their long weekend. Don Ostrander moves from Los Angeles to Hq Office of Aero-Space Research, not later than 1 Oct. Ed Broadhurst reports to Asst DCS/O Hq USAF NLT 8 Oct. Carl Whitesell reported to OSD as Mil Asst to the Dep Dir for Adm and Plng, DDR&E. To AMC, Johnny Zierdt from Ord Msl Comd where he played a key role in R&D. He will be Dep Dir R&D for the new command. Fred Campbell, already in the

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area, will be C/S and Tank Hardaway, arrived in July, will be Dep Compt of the new command. Saw Tank and Betsy at the A-N Club recently and they looked like the sunny Italian clime agreed with them. To CDC, Belvoir: Ham Fish from Bragg; Meyer Edwards from CONARC; Bud Teeter from Chicago.

Passing through: Doug Quandt spent a week in the city in June en route to XVI Corps, Omaha. Stan Connelly stopped by on his way to Lee and delivered a fistfull of Sal Salientes' fine Coronas to Spic Nadal and Johnny Hines. Johnny was promoted to Brig. Gen. 1 Jul and is being assigned to USAREUR. In July Kelley Lemmon and I lunched with Bud Hines on his way to J-2 CENTAG. Bumped into Jack Polk on the C-ring and hauled him into my office long enough to get some info from him. Jack had just departed Knox and was trying to get a line on his new assignment to South Vietnam. Found out that Harry Wilson and family (Harry is married to Jack's sister Molly) were also in Washington en route from BA to XVIII Abn Corps, Bragg. During their short stay here, they acquired a son-in-law, Lt. Isacco, USMA '59, who is stationed at Ft. Myer. On 10 Sep I ran into another familiar looking character in the C-ring outside my office—Dan Russell on his way to NG Advisor, Phoenix. Danny had just returned from Saudi Arabia where Audrey had spent the last few months with him. Then a grand tour through Europe. Danny was anxious to get going because he was looking forward to stopping off at Sam Houston to see his new granddaughter, Lisa, born to his daughter in June. His son, Dan Jr., is stationed at Ft. Myer. Danny plans to complete studies which will set him up as a teacher. He will possibly seattle in or around Phoenix.

Other items picked up from orders and the *Journal*. Monk Meyer from USAREUR to 1st Inf Div, Riley, NLT 3 Sep. John Cone from OCO to Hq Spt Maint Comd Office 20 Jun. Dave Davisson from EUCOM to 2d Log Comd at Lee. I know he is there because one of my officers came in the other day and said that a Gen. Davisson had just called from Lee and wanted to know why the . . . Harken back to your days in the Pentagon and you'll know why. Render Denson retired as colonel. Gordie Kimbrell from CONARC to Hq USAREUR 18 Aug. Sam Agee who is Dir of Ops, DCS/O in Hq USAF was given additional duty on the Permanent Joint Board on Defense Canada-US. Jim Norvell and Betty with James 18, David 16, and Sarah 10, from Poitiers, France, to Sill where he will be Dep Pres of the Artillery Board. Jack Donohew, who is Air C&S Coll Comdt at the Air U. was nominated for his second star. I believe that makes a total of four 1937 stars at the Air U. Bob Taylor is the other one. I saw a note in the *Journal* to the effect that Ken Sanborn was changing jobs, or perhaps just titles, out in Taiwan. Let's have some Taiwan news from you and Stu. Jack Schermerhorn got his star 27 Jun. I'll end on that happy note. How about some news from all you guys. Also, I do not have correct addresses for Ed Lee, Jim Parker, Phil Brant, Wes Calverley, and Jasper Durham.

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A bereaved Class extends its condolences to Mimsey Jones and to Sam Hogan and their families. Virginia Hogan died in June and was buried at Arlington National Cemetery. Al Jones died suddenly of a heart attack in Naples where he and his family had stopped briefly on their way to Ankara, Turkey, where Al was to have been the Army Attaché. Mimsey's current address is 35 East Terrall Ave., Lakewood, N.Y. Sam Hogan is assigned to the Office of the Asst Sec Def for Manpower.

In addition to Sam, Pat and Marie Patrick and Jack and Cynthia Thompson are recent arrivals from Carlisle in the Washington area. Jack is assigned to Ft. Belvoir and Pat is assigned to the Office of the DA Compt. Marie, finding time heavy on her hands with only seven children to take care of, is attending Shippensburg State College, Pa., pursuing a degree in education. Pat Jr., 21, after a 2-year hitch in the Army, is a sophomore at the U. of Md. and Marsha, 20, is a junior at Penn State. Fred, Bruce, and Marie (Jr.) are attending high school. Bryan and Fulton go to Maury Elementary School.

Other grads of the AWC this year are Pete Peterson, assigned to USARADCOM at Colorado Springs and Dallas Haynes, who will serve his exotic tour in Korea. Mabel Haynes remained at Carlisle, Pa.

Jerry Folda, a recent arrival in Hawaii, took command of the 25th Div Arty in July. At the welcoming ceremonies for Jerry, shown in the picture, are Ed Gillivan, ACofS, G-4 USARHAW; Ed Machen, Asst Div Comdr, 25th Inf Div; and Mark Brennan, Dep CofS, USARHAW.

Mac Macomber recently assumed duties as Vice Comdr of the 30th Air Div (SAGE) at Truax Field, Wis. Mac and Barbara and their four children (Clifford Jr., John, Robert, and Deborah) reside in Madison.

Joe Kujawski has recently been assigned to Germany where he has been named Dep Chief of the European A&AF Exchange Service. Joe and Elizabeth and their children (Stephen 17, and Jolynn 11) were to have arrived at their new station in August.

Bob Erlenbusch recently took over duties as CofS at Ft. Leavenworth.

In addition to those mentioned in the last

ASSEMBLY, young John Kelsey has joined the Class of 1966.

Don't forget to send in your \$25 to Mike Hayes for the 25th Anniversary yearbook. Also, plans are now being made for a tremendous 25th Reunion in June. Info will be forthcoming soon.

How about sending a change of address card to us each time you change station so we can keep our records current. Also include pertinent info on family and activities, expected assignment at your new station, etc. Retirees tell us your plans, address where mail will reach you if you have not settled on a permanent address, etc. We want to keep accurate and current files on all classmates.

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Col. R. deF. Cleverly  
OCLL, OSA  
Washington 25, D.C.

The annual summer turnover in Washington has turned up your reporter for a second tour on this column, as well as in the Pentagon—and we weren't even absent from the annual election luncheon.

Trying to keep up with three Congressional investigations for OCLL and moving into a new address has cut into news gathering opportunities severely, with the result that this column may not have its usual length. In the hope of persuading some of you to contribute material, we will mail the latest roster of classmates in the Washington area, complete with duty assignment and address, for those who request it. This should be handy for would-be freeloaders and people who still mail out Christmas cards.

Turning to the principal purpose of this effort, other new arrivals in the Pentagon include Seth Hudgins in DCSPER, Phil Davidson in OSD, JB Maxwell in DCSOPS, Norm Farrell in ACSI (just back from Iran), Jack Meyer in DCSOPS, Van Harlingen in DCSLOG, Tom Smith in JCS, Joe Reeves in DCSOPS, Preacher Williams as Exec of JAGO, and Linc Simon in some undisclosed billet. Lew Cantrell has also arrived in JCS, where he joined Jack Boles, Walt Brinker, and Vester Shultz, all of whom recently moved in. Charlie Mount will join them in September.

After a year in the White House as Gen. Taylor's assistant, Julian Ewell is journeying back to the puzzle palace to be Exec Off to

General Taylor in his new capacity as Chairman, JCS. Freddy Boye arrived to become your reporter's boss as Dep Chief of Legislative Liaison in September, having been relieved as Asst Comdt of the Armor School at Knox by Jack Dobson. He relates that Pat Patterson is still a big wheel in the development and testing of vehicles at the Armor Board, and that both Dobber and Pat are taking full advantage of the available golfing facilities at Knox. Boye also contributes the item that BG Bill Buster, the Asst AG of Kentucky, has been a frequent visitor at Knox to check up on his Kentucky units in training and is becoming quite a horse breeder and racing enthusiast.

Bob Schellman spent September at the Military Assistant Institute in Arlington Towers, getting pooped up for his new MAAG assignment in Korea. His family remains at Junction City, Kans.

Getting out with the field forces, George Pickett, recently promoted to BG, has also taken off for Korea. CB Smith, another new star man, has become C/S of Second Army at Meade, where Walter Vann, who recently returned from Iran himself, is Dep C/S for Administration. Mike Davison, wearing his new star, is C/S V Corps in Frankfurt, Germany. Frank Mildren has captured his second star and become our second division commander in Germany—3d Inf Div. The new commandant of the Army Management School at Belvoir is Chris Coyne. Bud Newcomer is living it up in Denver with NORAD. Dave Matheson is in the First Army Eng Sec. George Zethren has taken up a new assignment with CENTO in Ankara, Turkey. Dick Morrison has left Wright-Patterson AFB for duty at Arlington Hall.

Mike Krisman attended the wedding of Don Hull's oldest daughter at West Point and found, in addition to the permanent party (Spec Fraser and Frank Kobes), a semi-permanent resident, Paul Tuttle, and a visiting wheel from Philco in Philadelphia, Tom Shanley. Mike, who is presently in JCS, will soon be trying Army Aviation at Ft. Rucker, hoping it's not too late. Harry Kinard recently took the same route as a star-spangled student on his way to 101st Abn. Wiley Wisdom is doing staff work at Anchorage in J-3, CINCAL.

Our most recent retirees appear to be Walter Wells, who is holding a River Commission in Texas, and Mal Gilchrist, who is president of Columbia College, Tenn.

We have a class fund problem, according to Frankie Joe Kobes, who has advised that the fund, which is used to buy gifts for graduating sons, is down to about \$400. Since gifts for the past years have cost approximately \$20 each, and we will have four graduating next year, seven in '64, and nine in '65, the fund will shortly be depleted. Contributions of \$3 will be gratefully accepted by Frank, who is Director of Physical Education, USCC, West Point.

Final note—your class committee has recently affirmed its determination to publish a 25th anniversary book. Please be prepared to respond.

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After 15 years of preparing offerings for ASSEMBLY, I have come to the conclusion that no one can ever find a pen or a stamp during the summer time. The fall issue of

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1938: From left: Gillivan, Machen, Folda, Brennan.

these notes could better be used for exchanging recipes, etc.

However, for what I have, here goes:

Carey O'Bryan writes from Kirtland AFB that he saw Bob Colligan from Wright Patterson at Sandia Base recently. Abbey still at Williams AFB rocking that new baby daughter to sleep. LaBrecche at Luke AFB in Arizona as the Dep Wing Comdr. Archie Knight at Oklahoma City. Roy Nelson is Dep Comdr of Air Weather Service at Scott AFB. Brousseau to Weisbaden as Dep Comdr for all AF Communications in the European Theater. Harry Bunze has been in Foreign Technology for the Ballistics Systems Div in Los Angeles, and has a son who is a First Classman at USMA. Ed Wynne's boy Pat is a First Classman at the AF Academy, and Carey's son is a Second Classman there. Ed Hoover is assigned to Philadelphia as Comptroller for the Defense Supply Agencies Textile Division. Ralph Ross, John O'Keefe, and John Aber at Huntsville, Ala. Bob Fate is at Field Command, DASA, Sandia Base, Bill Clark and Kermit Dyke still at NORAD, Colorado Springs.

Bob Williams and Don Bennett are the first Army members to become general officers. The Class has been significantly honored by having Bob Warren as the Superintendent of the USAF Academy.

Nosek ordered to Belvoir. Gilford Green recently appointed C/S of CAG with Hq at Leavenworth. Scott Case to Quarry Heights in the Canal Zone. John Dibble to Stu Off Co USAAVNS at Rucker. Dick Belt to Okinawa. Nils Bengston to head Army Research Office at Duke U. at Durham, N.C.—responsible for D/A basic research program in mathematics and physical sciences. Len Orman to be first chief of R&D office for Latin America with offices soon to be opened in Rio de Janeiro. Sam Patten writes from Heidelberg and reports that in his vicinity one can find: Sam Goodwin, Art Barry, George Mueller, Lee Fritter, Urey Alexander, George Mayo, Pat Merchant, Zero Zahrobsky, and that peer among sages, Freddy White. Ray Millican recently retired and after a tour of Europe expects to work with Stanford Research. Dr. Bill Kintner is one of the lecturers scheduled for the AWC this year. His subject: "The US Army Role in Counter-Insurgency." Art Frontezak leaves Sembach for USAF Hq as chief of promotions and selection division.

Put me on your Christmas card list and let me know where you are. Any news and all news will be welcome.

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Col. Burton C. Andrus, Jr.  
#2 Aspen  
Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

The class salutes its first two-star general! Ed Rowny has recently been nominated for promotion to Maj Gen and will be assigned to Korea as CG, 1st Cav Div.

The mail bag continues to be very skimpy. If it were not for four letters and the ANAF *Journal & Register*, I would be forced to submit a negative report. I know everyone is busy, but it would be nice if more of you gents could drop me a card now and then to let me know how your part of the war is coming.

John Rossell from a retired status working for Kidder, Peabody & Co., Mercantile Trust Bldg, Baltimore 2, writes, "We have bought an old Maryland farm which we are slowly but surely fixing up to suit us. The children are all established in good schools and frankly I am delighted with the prospects of more

than 3 years of continuity in one place. I am also delighted with the investment and banking business, and in retrospect, feel I should have gone into it years ago rather than waiting until now. This firm is tops in the field, and we consider ourselves the "Tiffany" of the investment houses." John goes on to say that his company is in a position to do business with any of the classmates who are looking for a chance to pick up a few bucks.

Jack Christensen reports that a class luncheon was held the 1st week of September. Also, that the weather has been exceptionally good, but that his new job in the USA Materiel Comd keeps him very close to the flagpole. After dropping his son off to enter the Air Academy, Fox Rhynard spent a month at his ranch near here; however, poor programming on my part prevented our visiting at his lush estate. Lyd dropped by for a coke one afternoon, looking younger and lovelier than ever. HV Ellis writes that Ed Rowny, whom you all know has been nominated for a second star, left Bragg enroute to Korea. Rita and children will stay in the DC area. "Left Bragg 13 Sep for Ft. Sherman, Canal Zone, Research and Development Office—concurrent travel—Henry III MIT sophomore. Butch Rising and Jim Graham have orders to Germany—this will leave Bragg with no '41-ers."

Change of address card from John C. H. Lee to Hq 37 Engr Cmbt Gp, APO 165, N. Y. (at Hanau). *AF Times* recently showed a picture of Eric DeJonckherre, departing commander of Yokota Air Base, Japan, receiving the key to the city of Tokyo. Another recent picture showed Irv Perkin escorting Gen. Mark E. Bradley Jr., AF Log Comdr, and party through the Falcon and Side-winder Missile Overhaul Laboratories at Olmsted AFB, Pa.

Report that Ted DeSaussure has taken over as the new Dir of the Guided Msl Dep of the Arty and Guided Msl School. Also, that Charlie Busbee turned over his command of the 2d Msl Bn, 80th Arty, recently. Army News Service reports that Bob Coakley was recently named IO of the USA Materiel Comd Hq, Pentagon. AF Hometown News Center reports Jerry LaRocca retired recently and received the AF Commendation Ribbon. Heard from John Easton. His address is: International Electric Corporation, Paramus, N.J. He is working on the 465-L for the Air Force.

*ANAF Journal & Register* reports George McIntyre reassigned from Leavenworth to 2d Armd Div, Hood; Bob Tarbox to USMA; Wally Lauterback to Korea; Pat Tansey to ADGRU, Yongsan; JW Burtchaell and Wendy Knowles promoted to Col; Chuck Maynard to Engr Div SW, Dallas, w/sta Little Rock; Roy Kelley to Engr Div, N Atlantic, w/sta at Baltimore; Al Snider to Comdr SE Comm Region, Robins AFB, Ga.; Dennis Grace to 160th Engr Gp, Knox; Robert E. Clark to Eng Cen, Belvoir; JT Brown to USA RD Ofc, Panama, Sherman; and Joe Ahern and CF Danforth, retired.

I plan to put out the formats for the Christmas letter early in October as I did last year. The deadline will be mid-November so that you will have current addresses in time to distribute your Christmas cards.

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Arlington 2, Va.

Before reading further, please face toward the Pentagon, salaam and hold that position for 30 seconds in honor of Lu Clay's ascendancy to celestial status, made official 24 Jul. We're off.

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

Changes of locale and status: Jim B-meets is now at the Special Warfare School at Bragg; Buddy Burke and Duke Grimshaw have rejoined the Pentagon ranks; Frank Clay is on the S&F, National War College, as a proven expert in guerilla warfare (*Time* mentioned him in an item 29 Jun which was actually favorable to Army Brats. *The Evening Star* pictured him on 20 Jun viewing captured Viet Cong types. Just hope he turned his expert PIO over to a friend before leaving!). The Duffies have joined the DC colony and are now in residence out Lake Barcroft way. Ed Farrington is Dep Comdr of the 34th Arty Brig at Sill. Dick House has gone to Kirtland AFB. Phil Krueger is at Belvoir deputy directing the Engr R&D Center. Dick Miles is off to the UK Standardization Grp in London. Charlie Mizell is newly arrived at West Point (Coward! Why not 3 months ago?) Joe Morey has orders to Germany in December. Jim Obenchain assigned to Aberdeen. Hal Rice is at Rucker for flight tng. Bob Short has sent change of address cards for Tinker AFB and Eatontown, N. J. The USAF press release says he's going to McChord AFB, so take your pick. John Short is now enjoying life as pusher of the 8th Div Tns in Germany, and Peyt Tabb has a new job as G-4, SETAF.

If I'm not mistook, Jake Ballard has just retired, future plans unknown; Hank Harmeling, Dick Horridge and Lee Jones ditto on both counts. Jack Cockrill is another newly departed, but instead of heading for California as he told me last year, according to Marshall Waller, Jack is off to Paris and the Sorbonne. To think that I fell for that California bit! Marsh, incidentally, now a Sr Opns Research Analyst for Melpar in Falls Church, enclosed a *Washington Post* clipping relating that Mrs. H. L. Burris had jotted down a list of fine shops in Vienna (Austria, not Virginia) for the wife of the departing Soviet Air Attaché. As if we didn't have troubles enough! Bob Townsend is off to Korea and advises that Mercedes and the kids will be in Spain during his absence.

Paul Cerar wrote me about his new job as Dep Comdr at Dugway Proving Ground and Eileen's troubles with a ruptured arterial branch in the brain, from which her recovery has necessarily been slow. We certainly hope that the mending process is long since complete. Paul had seen Dean Short, Koster, Hamilton, Obenchain, Al and Dotty Thompson (the hosts, as always, bless them), Buchanan, Dave Clagetts, and Bringham at the World Wide Combat Arms Conf at Leavenworth during the last 2 weeks in June. Jack Davies stopped in on his way to Heidelberg. He hadn't been able to wangle concurrent travel but hoped to have Barbara and the kids on their way shortly thereafter. Bill Zimmermann must be getting old and crotchety. Imagine anyone complaining just because the last mailing he got had him listed as a Lt Col only, spelled his last name with but one "n," and indicated that he was USAF!!!

Fred Rosell writes that he has felt like a Yearling again, with the whole summer free after his first year of electrical engineering at USC. Sounds as though he's doing very

well indeed, as he has been awarded the West Coast Electronics Manufacturers Assn fellowship for this new school year. Fred sent along a clipping from *The Los Angeles Times* showing Col. Raymond P. Murphy with his former boss on the occasion of Ray's taking over the 47th Arty Brig. Murphyburger is smirking as though he'd just copped Bob Evans' last beer! Crit came through on schedule with word that they and the Ormes are thoroughly enjoying Heidelberg. He and Kitty had a pleasant visit with the Seips, who were on leave from The Hague, and the J. Shorts, whose daughter was in the same camp as the Crit's older two.

Margaret Betty Hyde says that she and Wes find living on the Octagon at Randolph preferable to being in the Pentagon, and sent a clipping from the *San Antonio Light* of 26 Aug which included a picture of Charlotte Robinson at the opening of her recent art exhibit in Lisbon and praised her as our "art ambassador" to Portugal and Spain. Friend Floyd didn't rate much coverage but listed among those present was Pete Russell. The item also mentioned that Charlotte had had a successful 2-week exhibit in Madrid in June, so it sounds as though she is not only keeping busy but is doing so with great acclaim. Congrats from the low-brow element for raising our average, Charlotte!

The mail also brought a nice note from Jim Studer thanking all of you for making it possible for him to receive ASSEMBLY. (If it's to be newsworthy and enjoyable to him, YOU must help to fill up Box '42! Please reread this column to see how many are beginning to respond and do my job for me.) Jim's reaction to #20: "Although all of those old days seem very distant in time to me, I look forward to that 25th." As do we all, Jim, and your presence has added a special touch to the last two for all of us who have been privileged to share them with you. Tom Trainer dropped a line asking for an address list. He's chief pilot at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn., which appears to be just outside Hartford.

Fran Roberts was recently in Miami to speak to the American Library Assn and combined the trip with some leave. Polly went along, and they saw a good bit of the Rickmans in Hollywood. Fotsie is teaching 9th grade math, Muriel teaches in high school. Our boy is not noted to be losing any weight, but Fran warns that he uses it all to good advantage on the golf course, so beware. Anyone passing that way be sure to stop and see them. George Rew was so panic-stricken at the thought of preparing the Xmas Newsletter that he arranged orders to somewhere in the Pacific. Rog Barnes has now inherited the secretaryship for the balance of this year. The luncheon at which the foul deed was perpetrated was held in the innermost sanctum sanctorum at the Penny-gone. Sherry was there, which may explain to a great degree the unusually good attendance of almost 40!

The *Journal* notes that Cherie Koster, aided by Emily Short, hosted a coffee for the wives of the newcomers to the Command and Staff Dept at Benning. Also announced was the assignment of George Hesselbacher to be chief of the Blast and Shock Div of the Defense Atomic Support Agency. Seems as though others of us might better have qualified for such a descriptive title—or part thereof! Also noted therein was the announcement of Bob Rawls' marriage to Betty Towne of Hollywood, Calif., on 18 Aug. Best wishes from us all, Robert.

The latest list of permanent AF Cols includes Larry Adams, Bob Beers, Ben Hardaway, Wes Hyde, Ed Munns, J. Reid and Andy Weigel. Another group over another hurdle! The new USMA catalogue indicates that Lt. Col. Eugene L. Weeks will speak to the Firsties during the current year on "Material (sic) Development and Logistics." Judging by that spelling, they still have room for an occasional goat at Usmay!

Money for and comments on Jesse's 20-year Journal continue to flow in and receive a most hearty welcome. I again remind those of you who took pictures to get some extra prints made for the next book—right now! Any doubts in my mind as to the status quo have been resolved by the Dept of Defense Directory which lists Hanst, Pfc, ahead of Hanst, Maj!

And unseasonable though it may be, it's already time to beseech Paul to Beat Navy and to wish '42-ers everywhere a Merry Xmas and a healthful, happy, and prosperous New Year... so I do just that!

JAN  
'43

Col. Joseph W. Benson  
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It is fitting to begin this column with the recognition of the fine job done by Wendall Bevan in the previous issues. He gave mention of many, many of the Class and of their families and took the pains to account for all 409 who stepped out of Central Area on that bleak day some 19 years and 9-plus months ago. There is a good base from which to attempt to continue Bev's good work, so please keep us informed of your activities and second poop to the doowillie at the top of the column.

By and large our population concentration remains in the Washington area. The recent Army reorganization has shuffled some out of the Pentagon and into smaller buildings in the vicinity. The summer months have shuffled some others in and out of this seat of Government. We are presently working on Bev's listing to bring them and you up to date.

The annual picnic at Ft. Belvoir, featuring the Fathers vs. Sons softball game, had a fine class turnout of some 30 families. There were food and beer aplenty, and children ranging from 18 years to 1 year. The ball game clearly showed the sons are becoming young men and the fathers are becoming truly "old grads." The final score is not fit for publication—youth had its day. Frank Camm was in on TDY from Europe, and played a fine first base. Flip and Louise Fenili, just arrived from the Army War College, now assigned in OPO, DA, brought with them son John, who ran up that unpublishable score. Others newly assigned in the Washington area in attendance were Feebie and Jerry Foote, and Marv and Priscilla Berenzweig. Feeb is an Air Force planner, and B-Wig is assigned in the JCS. The fly-boys were joined by Carlos Talbott and did the WW II bit. Tony Antonioli was able to break away from Ft. Ritchie, and we were happy to see Verily, Valerie, Virginia, and Vincent. Pappy Wilkes was just ending his most recent active duty tour and was able to attend before returning to Cambridge, Mass. For Brenning and Judy Waters it was a farewell. Brenning has been assigned to the US Army Engr So Pac Div, 630 Sansome St., San Francisco 11, Calif. The cooperation of the Post, the weather, and all attending made it another good Jan '43 day.

We are happy to report that Bob Lawrence has been elected vice chairman of the Metropolitan New York Chapter of the Young President's Organization. The YPO is an organization of men and women who became presidents of million-dollar companies before the age of 40. As you know, Bob founded Robert L. Lawrence Productions, Inc., in 1952. Congratulations, Bob. Ben Edwards has just been reassigned to Hq 17 AF, DS/SO-OE APO 12, N. Y., and he's real happy about the whole thing. He's back in the F-100 business. Strongly recommends assignments in Europe.

Merle Carey recently completed a jaunt through the Pacific area, and ran into Jack Wood, among others, along the way. We made contact with Jack, who is in Honolulu, and assigned in CINCPAC. Also on the wonderful isle are the Bill Stewarts and the DM Smiths in CINCPAC; the St. Johns, the Dan Powells, the SL Jameses, the Ruyffelaeres in USARPAC; the Ski Lutreys in PACAF, and the Jim Frakeses, new arrivals at Hickam. Jack has also heard from Bart Mallory who is now assigned in Paris. The Ruyffelaeres had a party in early summer to say alohas to the comers and the goers. Merle also had a visit with Al Toth who is holding forth in Bangkok. Ed Bennett, OCE, on one of his recent trips to Cape Canaveral, flew the last leg with Jim Dempsey. Jim remains an outstanding figure in the nation's space effort.

Lou Wilson has departed Newfoundland and is now in Plans at SAC, Offutt AFB. In coming to Washington Feebie took the long way around and ran into George Kinney, now Base Comdr at Chateauroux, France. Jim Cobb, (JB) has a new assignment at Selfridge as Vice Comdr, 1st Flight Wing. Frank Kane was recently awarded the Air Force Commendation Ribbon for his work with DCS/DEV, Hq USAF. The Air Force announced a new list of permanent colonels which included 12 classmates: Barger, Butler, Cutler, Terry Ellis, Kane, Kinney, Britt May, Muldrow, Sykes, Taliaferro, Van Duyn, and Whitlow.

Reports from Hal Barber's questionnaire re the 20-year book showed majority of about 10-to-1 in favor. The next step to be taken will be the requests to all classmates for the submission of family pictures and biographies. Please be on the alert for this notification and make every effort to reply promptly so that the workers can meet their publication deadlines.

Once again, send us the poop on you and your family, and your classmates. We all want to know how you are doing.

JUN  
'43

Lt. Col. William F. Malone  
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Greetings. We shall start this column out with an announcement of major significance. At no little expense, I have prevailed upon that noted author and diarist, that chronicler of our cadet daze, none other than the magnificent Ronan C. Grady to take quill in hand and author the column for the winter and spring issues. For those who have some word to pass on to him his address is:

Lt. Col. Ronan C. Grady  
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Alexandria, Va.

Please give him any help that you can by submitting timely poop. Final deadline for the winter issue is 15 Dec; so as you read

this you have little time left. Write that letter now.

I am sorry that for my last column in 3½ years of writing, I have very little to pass on. There is very little to be gleaned from the orders these days and writer's cramp seems to have seized all the brethren. Here then, for what it's worth, is what we have.

Harry Schroeder sent a change of address card announcing his move from Ft. Carson to the AWC. I'm sure that Harry and Ann will enjoy their year there.

Lowell Smith has left Wright Patterson for a year at the Industrial College and will join in the class activities in DC.

Johnny Cochran is leaving VMI after a 3-year tour as Asst PMS and will report in November to MAAG-Vietnam.

Charlie Spieth has joined the DC group working on some committee in the Pentagon.

Franklin Taylor has taken up duties as Prof of Air Science and Dep Comdt of Cadets at the Citadel. Frank has just returned from a tour at Yokota Air Base in Japan where he was Chief of O&T for the Third Bomb Wing.

Doug Parham is taking flying training at Ft. Rucker.

Milt Steinbring retired upon his own application after 20 years of service from Ft. Sam Houston this summer.

Leo Hayes is asgd to ACSI, DA, in the Foreign Liaison Branch.

Clare Farley is being transferred from the West Point desk in Army DCSOPS to duty on the Joint Staff in October.

Milt Pigg has left the 70th Engr Bn, Ft. Campbell en route to Ft. Belvoir with a stopover en route at CGSC.

Don Spiece is at the Army Language School in preparation for asgmt as USARMA Tunisia in Jun 63.

Ralph Hallenback's son entered the AF Academy this summer, so we have three class sons at the AF Academy now: Ralph's son, Ted Watkin's son, and Dave Galas's son.

Nobby Oswald has been assigned to duty in Hq USAF. Just exactly where I don't know.

Norm Detwiller is completing 2 years in Hq USAF but hopes to leave soon for assignment up near Long Island.

Bethel Edington was in town recently. He is finishing up his studies at the U. of Ala. where he is learning to be a journalist. He is scheduled for reassignment in Jan 63—perhaps to Hq DA. He looks great—tanned, healthy, studious!

The DC contingent is getting set for the first get-together of the new "academic" year on 22 Sep. Dale McGee, Bob McCanna, and others are busily working to make it a memorable event. Perhaps Grady will have more to report on this in the next issue.

In July Ed Geaney paid us a visit from USMA. He discussed tentative plans for the 20th Reunion next June. It is not possible to lay out firm plans at the present time since much hinges upon the allocation of facilities at the Rock during June week. Ed assured me that as soon as something concrete could be put out, he and the other two at the Rock (Hank Romanek and Bill Roos) were prepared to dispatch a letter to the last known address on file at the Assn of Grads to pass out the word. According to current practice, reunion activities extend from Saturday through Monday with no scheduled functions on Tuesday (Graduation Parade Day) and Wednesday (Graduation Day). Full details on this will be put out in the letter.

As far as a 20-year book is concerned,

things do not look too good. The response to our remark concerning the class desires for a book made in the Spring issue has been only a trickle. Those that replied were enthusiastic; however, only a few responses were received. Furthermore, some sample inquiries concerning costs indicate that an estimate of \$10 without advertising is too optimistic. A price of \$10 to \$15 is more accurate. At the time of this writing the project is in limbo. It may or may not revive, only time will tell.

On these latter notes, I bid farewell to the faithful readers of the column. I hereby make all appropriate apologies for names incorrectly spelled, events incorrectly reported, or omissions inadvertently made. My thanks to all who did contribute and made my chores easier.

Goodbye for now and write to Grady.

'44

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Memphis, Tenn.

Bob Brundin, now associate professor of chemistry at USAF Academy, recently received the Legion of Merit for work done as director of Project Mercury manned space



1944: Debbie Silver and Merry Staser.

flights with the Space Systems Division in Los Angeles. Bob headed the team of scientists and engineers that provided the launch vehicle for our first manned orbital flight.

Bill Charlson has taken over command of the 510th Tac Ftr Sqdn at Clark AB, Manila, after having served as commander of a Ftr Wing Det on Formosa.

Jim Dunham recently took time out from his duties as Dep Brig Comdr of the 63d Inf Div to complete a 1-week refresher course at C&GSC. The 63d is a Reserve division and Jim is with Northrup in Hawthorne, Calif.

Os Duttweiler got his silver leaves this summer in Italy where he is serving as chief of Tng Branch, O&T Div, of SETAF.

Frank Henderson finished the Air War College in June and completed requirements for his M.A. in international affairs from George Washington U. Frank is now flying

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with a NATO AF unit at Ramstein, Germany.

SA Jackson was promoted to Lt Col this summer at Ft. Leavenworth where he is on the C&GSC faculty.

Bob Shoemaker finished the Air War College in June and also got his M.A. in international affairs from George Washington. Bob is now with Hq EUCOM in Paris as a logistics staff officer.

Summer brought changes in our group at West Point. Going to AWC were Tommy Flynn and Bev Snow. Kern Pitts left for Korea in July (Jenks and the children staying in Highland Falls) and Charlie Johnson has gone to Laos. Bob Smith arrived during the summer to work with the 1st BG and Don MacWilliams came to the Dept of Physics and Chemistry. Staying on at USMA are Les Halstead who is Post QM, Jeff Forsythe with Dept of MA&E, Jelks Cabaniss in the Math Dept, and Bob Day who (as Registrar) is there for good. Up for June Week were Hi Ely, Lee Smith, Si Marks, and Al Norton.

Charlie Steel has been on the faculty of C&GSC for the past year and has now moved over to a new organization, the Institute of Advanced Studies. Around 1 Sep Charlie got to welcome a new group to the College: Willie Burr, Walt Harris, Doc Hayward, Art Hyman, Bernie McKeever, Dave Ott, Dusty Rivers, Nels Parson, Tom Tarpley, and John Sullivan.

True to their fashion the lively ones in Washington recently had one of their semi-annual class parties at the Jimmy Adamson's home after a couple of long summer months to recuperate from the summer party at the Stasers. A picture of the hostesses with mostest (the Misses Silver and Staser) is shown to add a certain amount of decorum to the party reports. During the working day a few changes have been made: Jack Cushman is with the office of Secretary of the Army, George Wear and Bill McGlothlin are with JCS, and Hardrock Staser returned safely from a 3-week trip through Europe with 16 newspaper correspondents. I imagine Alaska's pride had those fellows wondering what would turn up next.

Coots and Hildegard Mitchell and Frank Mahin are in Paris.

Down at Benning the faces are the same but the jobs have changed. Jim Douglas is now Secretary of the Infantry School and Steve Mulkey took over Jim's job as Editor of *Infantry* magazine and Chief of the Publications Section. Paul Emley is SGS of the Center; he and Jim feel they have Benning well under control. Paul Kutchinski is in the Ground Mobility Dept and also recently received his Master's degree. Ed O'Donnell heads the 2d Engr Bn of the 2d Inf Div. Larkin Tully flies over occasionally from Maxwell to give advice on golf and other assorted subjects. Susie Wolfinger left during the summer to join Wolf in Germany.

Patsy and I drove up to Ann Arbor for the Michigan game and had a nice visit with Sugar and Red Aldrich. Both are doing fine and don't seem to have aged as much as I have.

Keep the 20-year reunion on your calendar and you'll be getting requests for yearbook information shortly.

The Editor really leveled me recently by informing me there are only 363 of you who are reading this column firsthand. It must be that some of you are passing around the old copies. At any rate let it not be said that my leadership is lacking; after a year of not reading what I write, I have resubscribed.

As time for me to get this put together grew short, and Box 15 produced its meager results, I put in a hurried appeal to Bob Reese. He convened the Pentagon Infantry Brain(?) Trust, most of whom are in OPD of OPO, and the following pickin' came therefrom. A word for the uninitiated: OPD of OPO isn't from 1984—it stands for Officer Personnel Division of Organization for Personnel Operations. The Brain Trust consisted of Bob Reese, Al Price, Joe Kovar, Mick McMurdo, Jerry Briscoe, Joe McDonough, and Lou Schelter. Al Price just arrived for duty in the Colonels Assignment Division of OPD, OPO, after jobs as Bn Comdr and SGS at Ft. Dix. Jerry Briscoe is Chief of Civil Schools Section in OPD and states "no waivers on schooling for '45 without good reason." Bob Reese accompanied "Jabo"—now a General in OPO—to USMA last April to represent the Infantry. Pete Spragins made all the arrangements for this annual affair. Someone brought up the question of 20-year retirement; Mick McMurdo said he had some enlisted service prior to Jul 42. Bob Reese chimed in with: "all bad time!?" Mick quickly replied: "I made it up at USMA."

Lucien Truscott, G-3 of 7th Div in Korea, was promoted to LC in the summer, maintaining the few months lead on most of the class that he has held for some years. Tom Longino in Compt at CONARC, Ft. Monroe. O'Brien, on S&F at Ft. Eustis, will soon join AMC (this is another new one: Army Materiel Command) in T-7, Washington, in Public Information. Ed Melanson, member of the Melanson-Pitzer-Fowler car pool to the Pentagon, is in the same business for DA in the Pentagon. Charlie Spann is joining George Adkisson, Cliff White, and Dick Smith in the same corner of OCRD in Pentagon. All have degrees in EE. I ran into Dick in the 8th corridor one day recently; he has the solution to this commuting routine. He lives in Oxon Hill, Md., drives to Bolling Field, parks his car, and takes the Bolling-Pentagon boat to work and return.

Willie Clark reported living in Washington after transfer from California; he is sales engineer with NORTRONICS. Jack Geer, Bob Mann, and Tiger Adkins "batching it" in the River House. Al Price ran into Bob Parr at Ft. Benning; Bob on his way to Alaska. John Pauly has in a short time become famous for many things. He organized the class family picnic at Cameron Station for the Washington contingent—for which hundreds turned out. More important, however, has been his accumulation of both of the number one status symbols of the Pentagon at one fell swoop: rug on the floor (usually reserved for colonels only) and a window (only for the VVIP's). John is Exec Off for Gen. LeMay in the Office Chief of Staff, Air Force. As some other classmates reported, John is keeping us all busy. While we're on the subject of the Air Force, the OPO Brain Trust has a forecast for the Air Force: "the trend is from missiles back to planes." Jack Hoffman, along with Shirley and daughter Linda, is at Ft. Leavenworth for school; he heads for France after that. He asked for and received

his old Army serial number that he dropped in 1947 when he transferred to the Air Force. Bartron is seen in Corridor 8 now and then and was reported to have placed fairly high in a recent golf tournament at the AN Country Club.

Senior, ex-'43, ex-'45, ex-'46 passes his regards to '45, he is on active duty as a major at Ft. Eustis.

Buster Hayden headed for Europe and command of a Corporal Bn. Al Knight, last reported to attend the AWC will instead attend the Industrial College. Al, who was ordained in the Episcopal Church while stationed at Ft. Bliss, assumes new responsibility in addition to going to school this year. He is in charge of a new Episcopal Mission to be constructed in Annandale. How's that for a combination? Mel Price, returning from Vietnam in September goes to MLC (Military Liaison Committee) to the Atomic Energy Commission. Bob Ives in the Pentagon—back from Hawaii after ROTC duty with U. of H. George Benson in Foreign Area Specialist Program and is off to India in January. Jim Root has transferred from 25th Div to G-3 Sec, Hq, USARPAC. Andy Favret at the class picnic in Washington with seven of his children—the other two were home with Mother. Doc Mahan to MAAG Vietnam from the 101st.

Bill Sibert was in Washington from STRICOM—tan and healthy from the Tampa sun. George Withey through Pentagon in Jul en route from Vietnam to jump school and then to Ft. Dix. Bill Vinson assigned to OCRD, DA, after receiving MS degree in Guided Missiles. Aus Yerks attending American U. in International Relations; CS Hamilton at Georgetown in similar course. Schoaff at Cameron Station, Alexandria, in DSA (Defense Supply Agency). James M. Morris Jr. headed for Ottawa, Canada. Harry Drake also headed for Ottawa for duty with Hq RCAF. Perhaps you two have already met. And so many thanks to the Brain Trust for all the poop.

#### HOW OLD CAN WE GET

Aus Yerks' son, and others elsewhere we know, is 1st string guard on O'Connell High (Va.) football team.

#### AND HOW EDUCATED

Congratulations to Harry Shaw—on his PhD in Foreign Affairs from U. of Va. Harry is now on the Disarmament Desk in DCSOPS.

#### RETIREMENT

Time for decisions is approaching—for some already past. The first 20-year retirement we know about so far is that of Lorrin C. Peterson, AF, 1202 East Beverly Way, Altadena, Calif. Good luck in your next career. If any of you join this group drop us a line so we can inform the class.

#### FROM HERE AND THERE

Ft. Hood.—Jim Elkey expects to head for D.C. soon; he reports Put Monroe is Exec of the 2d Armd Rifle Bn, 54th Inf. Rayburn Smith reports from Kaiserslautern, Germany, where he was TDY from 2d Armd Div, that he was to return to 2d Med Tk Bn, 35th Armor, of 2d Armd Div, after 8 years of G-2 and G-3 work.

Europe.—From Cal Boleyn who is doing a great job as reporter over there. For those of you heading for Europe, or coming home, please drop Cal a postcard. The word from John Bennett has him leaving his job as G-4 of the 8th Inf Div to go to command duty as CO of the 3d ARB, 36th Inf, APO 39.

He has extended his tour over here until Sep 63, which will give him nearly 5 years in Europe. Previous assignments gave him a year in England in British Staff College and another in France. John reports that Bob Hall has a new job as Exec of Div Tns of the 8th Div, with no change in location as he is still in Bad Kreuznach. John Linden, who went to Europe via England and also attended the British Staff College, has orders for Ft. Bragg where he will be with the 2d Msl Bn, 42d Arty. Unless TO&E's have been radically changed, John should be commanding. John, Elizabeth, and children John and Jan leave Heidelberg (USAREUR) on 15 Sep after 4 years. Received a quick note from Howie Dallman confirming that he and seven other Dallmans arrived in Heidelberg on 16 Aug. Howie will be with the P&A Div of USAREUR Hq, APO 403. Bick Sawyer, also with the same P&A Div, sent several changes in assignment which have just recently taken place.

Roscoe Barber has moved from Bad Kreuznach to Baumholder where he now commands the 293d Engr Constr Bn, APO 34. Joe Hoffman is now with the Opns Div of USAREUR Hq, having moved there from Special Trps. Ray Griffith has joined the others in the P&A Div at USAREUR, leaving the 32d AD Brigade over in Kaiserslautern. A transfer going the other way has Tom Drake leaving USAREUR Hq to take over command of the 2d ARB, 48th Inf, at Gelnhausen, APO 39. Although staying at USAREUR, Al Jones has shifted over to the Log Div. Herb Price is now with the 14th QM Bn (DS) up in Babenhausen, APO 162. Bick also states that Tom Musgrave has departed, but unfortunately does not give his destination. Harvey Boyd is now on duty with the JA Section of Seventh Army Hq in Stuttgart, APO 46. Frank Smith is in Heidelberg where he is S-4 in the 4th Sig Gp (APO 403). Thanks, Cal, for your info.

Al Stebbins reports via change-of-address card to Box 15 that he is headed for Brussels, Belgium, and the European Office of Aerospace Research, 47 Rue Cantersteen, after completing school at AFSC, Norfolk. For Al and others who might make Brussels, I heartily recommend the show at Chez Paul.

Ft. Benning.—Ted Wagner from Kingston, Tenn., recently put in 2 weeks as instructor in the USAR C&GS School at Benning. JL Kennedy reported as Exec Off for one of the Bns in the 1st Inf Brig. Joe Martinez, wife Yolanda, and daughter Linda, entertained Ted while there. Joe has received MS degree in EE from Georgia Tech and is now serving on Infantry Board.

Paris.—Paul Braucher was in Pentagon recently on business. He is with the Office of the Defense Advisor, US Delegation to NATO, APO 230, NY. Paul reports seeing Fred Parker in the SHAPE chapel frequently; Fred is Sunday School superintendent this year. Bob Guthrie and family return to Washington soon after a fast tour of Europe. Bob went to France with Gen. Wheeler in the Spring—and has now returned with him. Between Bob and Pauly, looks like things are under control. At EUCOM are Andy Gatsis and George Daoust. Dick Groves swapped weekly squash game and job with American Battlefield Monuments Commission for 8th Div jump school and jumpslot as CO of 12th Engr Bn, Gelnhausen, APO 111. Bill Kratz who had the Bn reported by Dave Clymer as headed for Oslo, Norway, and Allied Forces Northern Europe (AFNORTH). Dave also reports having visited with Paul and Brookes Braucher

in their seven-bedroom villa—complete with swimming pool. Dave should by now be back in Ft. Ord with his 84th Constr Bn after a year of “emergency” duty in France.

**Miscellaneous.**—Bill Holcombe instructing at Leavenworth; haven't seen your parents this summer, Bill. Played bingo at their table in Officers' Mess at Belvoir last summer. WJ Bown now at Florida Gas Company, P.O. Box 44, Winter Park, Fla. George Garman headed for Hq Spec Trps, Eighth Army, APO 301, SF Cal, after completing school at Leavenworth.

The 1945 Washington Area Wives Fall Kick-Off Luncheon was held at Denleigh's Restaurant on Lee Highway, Arlington, Tuesday, 18 Sep. The hostesses were: Johnni McNamee, Lei Fye, Miriam Love, Lou Schoaff, and Jane Salter. Those in attendance were: Dottie Lewis, Wynn McBride, Louise Smith, Janis Krebs, Dee McFadden, Margaret Carrington, Dorothy Ringler, Monna MacMurray, Elizabeth Linden, Betty Boettcher, B.J. Burke, Nancy Ferguson, Phyllis White, Martha Spann, Kathy Forbes, Caryl Adkisson, Lila Reese, Barbara Carter, Bonnie LaBoon, Merry Hunt, Elaine Casey, Kay Ugis Cunney, and the hostesses. A door prize for a free luncheon was won by Kathy Forbes. A very interesting talk on her experiences with the “New Frontier” was given by Lei Fye. The next luncheon will be held in November.

John and Elizabeth Linden arrived home from Germany and stopped here, en route to Ft. Bragg, to visit with John's parents.

So that's the news for the summer; now that moving is all over and everyone is settled for another year, how about a few notes about what you did and where you are? ? ?

'46

Mr. Samuel E. H. France  
3 Spruce Lane  
Verona, N. J.

The current football season has not yet started, so we are all still waiting to see our first Dietzel-coached team in action. Amid the cries of “robbery” by those LSU rooters, let's all give a Long Corps for Paul to wish him a tremendous success and victory over Navy.

On 8 Jun, three classmates graduated from the USAF's Command and Staff College at the Air University, Maxwell AFB. They were Bob Wright, Bob Burke, and Bob Tribolet. Tribolet was honored as a distinguished grad-

uate. Nevada's Senator Howard W. Cannon addressed the graduates, who had completed over 9 months of intermediate-level career training for officers in the grades of captain and major.

Wright has been reassigned to the Defense Atomic Support Agency at Sandia Base, N. Mex. He and Pat have four children—John, Randall, Cal, and Tracy. Burke has been reassigned as Air Force Regional Civil Engineer, Southwest Area, Dallas, Tex. He and Genevieve have one child, Ronald. Burke, who also holds an MS degree, attended USC and the U. of Wyoming. Tribolet has been reassigned to Webb AFB, Tex., for duty as a flight training instructor. He also has a master of education degree from the U. of Rochester, N.Y.

Truman Berge has been reassigned to Patrick AFB, Fla., following his graduation from the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk. In addition, he holds an MS degree received at Purdue.

Al Ives participated, with other personnel from the 2d Inf Div, in Exercise Clear Lake, a 17-day joint Army-Air Force training maneuver conducted last summer by the US Strike Command at Eglin AFB, Fla. Al is acting executive officer of Div Hq, at Ft. Benning.

Dave Peters was elected president, on 29 May, of the Hawaii State Society of Washington, D.C., for the 1962-1963 season. Dave is Asst Editor of the *Army Information Digest*.

The Hawaii State Society was founded in 1950 by the late Delegate J. R. Farrington and was a key organization in the statehood movement. Members of the Society are residents or former residents of Hawaii now living in Washington. One of the Society's activities is the sponsoring of the Cherry Blossom Princess from Hawaii.

Dave's father, Charles M. Sr., a former Territorial Senator, lives with the Peters at 5010 Roslyn Rd. Annandale, Va. Dave has held his present military assignment since his graduation in Jan 1961 from the U. of Wis., with a Master's in journalism.

The appointment of Carl Haussmann as associate director of the U. of Calif.'s Lawrence Radiation Laboratory was announced 21 May by Dr. John Foster, director of the Livermore Laboratory. Haussmann was appointed associate director for military application, a newly-created position at this nuclear research center which is operated by

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You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
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the university for the AEC. Carl has served as a division leader since 1959.

Carl received a Master's in nuclear physics from the U. of Pa. He has been a nuclear supervisor at Armed Forces Special Weapons Center in N.Mex., and was part of the team at Princeton on Project Matterhorn. His memberships and government assignments have included the Navy Special Task Group (Polaris Systems), Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, Air Force Penetration Panel, Dept. of Defense's Strategic Systems Panel, and AEC Senior Reviewer Group. He and Alice live at 4261 Drake Way, Livermore, Calif., with their two daughters—Barbara, 10, and Mary, 5.

Early this summer I received some interesting newspaper clippings concerning the activities of Joe Buzhardt, one of my cadet “wives.” The data came from his Dad in McCormick, S.C. For those of you not familiar with Joe's present job, he is Sen. Strom Thurmond's (D-SC) legislative assistant. Joe made the *N. Y. Times* of 10 Feb 62, when a picture and article concerning a “missing letter” appeared, with Joe and the senator in the photo.

In addition to this, Joe was selected by columnist Holmes Alexander as one of the three top Senate Staffers of 1962. Joe was cited for his excellent work in background material and data for Sen. Thurmond's speeches this past year.



1947: Fifteenth at Greenbergs'.

'47

Maj. John W. Mastin  
Assistant to the Dean  
West Point, N. Y.

The summer was short, so news is scarce. Al Geraci just missed the last issue with the info that he is with 1st Cav Div and Bobbie is in Tucson. Dick Allen is with 7th Div. Dick and Barbara McAdoo have the welcome mat out at Qtrs 68-B, Warren AFB, Wyo. Duquemin, Conger, and Veaudry had their leaves silver-plated on 25 Jun. Jim Egger is at AFSC—Haldane and Nickel go in February. Bill Carpenter is at Clark AFB. Jack Pierce is testing Atlas missiles at Patrick AFB. Don Schnepf is in SETAF Ord Div, Verona,



1947: Fifteenth at West Point.

Italy. Bob Fahs is on orders to JUSMAG, Thailand.

New arrivals: Evelyn and Ben Hollander, West Point—Joyce Phyllis (2); Jeanene and Bob Ozier, P.O. Box 481, Bowdon, Ga.—Matthew Kelly (3); Gibby and Tom Perkins, West Point—Douglas Merrill (4); Betty and Bill Reckmeyer, Virginia—Kristina Maria (11). (Shortly after "Tina" was born, Bill took a job with Logistics Management Institute.)

Doc Haskin, GM staff, Space Plans, DCS/for Plans, Norad, sent a clipping which confirms Roger Bate's appointment as a permanent professor at USAFA. Roger is director of scientific research. Buster Little is on the road to Vietnam—Ann will pine at Southern Pines, N. C. Yvonne and Jay Bleiman stopped in on their way to Athens, where Jay will be resident engineer.

Ben Hollander saved the day with a stack of notes which accompanied medallion remittances: Frank Lamattina is living in Waltham, Mass.; Bill Coghill is comptrollering somewhere in Alaska, where he sees Bill Gray occasionally; Goldie and Mike Greenberg hosted a 15th in LA (see pic); Lynnnda and Chuck Stewart are at Eglin and report Ralph Murrin and Wink Scoville are in Dayton; Les Stevens is at Sewart AFB, Tenn.; Jim Bushnell is in Vietnam; Bob Keller is in



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## '48

Maj. G. C. Wilhide, Jr.  
Maj. L. T. Doyle  
Dept. of English  
West Point, N. Y.

"Make the punishment fit the crime," said the local contingent, so one whose sins of omission included failure to keep the class reporter informed has been added to the writing staff. All ye sinners repent! If you miss us before the next issue—and we hope you won't—remember us with a note at Christmas.

New USMA arrivals Ashby and Marion Foote have relayed the news of the birth of James Michael Bratton on 16 Jun 62. Congratulations to Joe and Louise at Opn Div, Hq USAREUR. In addition to their duties as supervisors of traveling cadets, Harry Buckley, Tom Bowen, and Bob Peterson acted as European correspondents for this column this summer. They exchanged promises of column coverage for free meals with Tom and Joan Tyree and John and Doris Maple, who are keeping ears to "The Wall" in Berlin. Mape reported in a letter that he had been in Berlin since the fall of 1960 and that the family joined him a few months later. Tom Tyree left his tank company for a soft job as Dep G3, which gets him home about midnight every night. Mape included an intelligence estimate which has proved accurate. The Tyrees have a second boy now. More details, bitte, Tom. No mention of Deutschland can be made without bringing to mind the S3, 3d Cav, Walt Plummer, who is awaiting the arrival of Katie and family at Baumholder during this, his 9th (count 'em) year in Germany. Donn and Lettie Starry are extending an apparently agreeable tour with the 32d Armor, 3d Armd Div in Friedberg. The Houston McMurrays with Seventh Army, and the Kelseys and Pabsts in (sigh) Oberammergau rounded out the list of contacts and reports. Bill Caldwell writes that a stimulating 7 months at the UK Joint Services Staff College and subsequent assignment to Hq, Allied Land Forces, Denmark, have been rewarding continuations of the broadening program we all began at the end of yearling year. Bill reports pleasant encounters with an energetic, enthusiastic Gene Forrester (in from Paris) and Johnny and Sandy Egbert (in from Orleans), while in England. As of June, Bill expected to move on to G3 Ops, Seventh Army. By now, the Forresters' Parisian detachment should have been reinforced by the arrival of Richie Cooper at SHAPE, and the arrival of Reuben and Nickie Ander-

son with son Reuben III. Reuben's note stated that his eastward movement was balanced by the simultaneous departure from the AF at Norfolk of George and Ginger Thomas, who were headed for the 5th Air Force in Japan. Al and Millie Whitley wrote from Athens (Greece, not Georgia) that their very enjoyable tour there was ending. Al returns to become a student at the NWC, Newport, R.I. Al, who had been a resident engineer in the Athens area, commented favorably on the beaches and the tourists (in Athens, not Newport), but gave us no progress report on that broken-down Acropolis. Let us know how your September schedule worked out, Al. Bill and Nancy Travis and their two boys maintain the representation of '48 and the Ordnance Corps in Greece.

Back on this side of the pond, Lowell Genebach asks that anyone still retaining texts or poopsheets from Plebe Math forward them to 60 Central St., Battle Creek, Mich., so that he can use them in his work as a budding fire and casualty actuary with Wolverine Insurance Co. Note the improved quality of engineers the U. of Ill. will be graduating in the next few years. Chris Murphy, teaching in the Engineering Dept there, will be responsible. Chris and Judy are busy engineering a campaign to persuade 9-year-old Craig that baby-sitting his 1½-year-old brother, Graham Allen, is a good thing. We send belated congratulations on this latest increase in the Murphy TO. It would almost seem that the AAA is moving some scouts into position, with both the Monk Dotys and the Sam Hollidays settling in at the U. of Pittsburgh. Word is that Bill Ryan is taking the DC gospel up to Fifth Army in Chicago. We need more details, Bill. The PIO has made up for the reticence of graduates of the Air University by reporting the Braswells' assignment to Hq USAF, in Washington, and the Rutters' assignment to Hq ADC, Ent AFB, Colo. We tip our hat to George on his being honored as a distinguished graduate and being selected as a member of the USAF Speakers Bureau. Anyone need a toastmaster? Ed Rudd received the Army Commendation Ribbon at Leavenworth for the fine job he had done at Redstone Arsenal. We were just wetting down Jack Brennan's silver leaves when a bulletin arrived saying Maj. Gen. Johnson had pinned similar insignia on Sam Holliday at Leavenworth.

Lyle Walter's new address is PMS, Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn. Don Cerow departs Philadelphia for Milton, England, for



1947: The "Red Sock Twist".

San Francisco; Mary Ann and John Nail are still raising cattle in Arkansas.

Bob Rosen sent poop on the post-GW game party (Ft. Myer Officers' Club, 1800-?), and a new list of classmates in the DC area—recent additions: Becker, Brennan, Cottongim, Wally Griffith, Green, Mattern, Rantz, Robinson. Ike Ickler got off to a flying start in Korea—Baer, Bartley, and Cronin met him with martinis and advice. Rumor says Pete Boerger will go to Turkey from AFSC.

The ad hoc fund raising committee met here on 8 Sept—a letter setting forth plans and procedures will be out in a month or three, so keep feeding the pig—noncontributors may be named in the 25th reunion column! Pictures of the 15th at West Point are courtesy of Bob McNeill. Tobe Crowe writes that Forest is being transferred to Paris for 2 years to represent Univac—she and the children will join him later.

duty with Hq, RAOC. The English Dept is always anxious to hear the latest on Milton, Don, so keep us posted. Arnie Sargeant heads west to reach the East, with orders from Knox to ADGRU, Yongsan. Willard Scott from Ft. Bliss and Lou Jones from DC are converging on the Korean peninsula. The arrival of some more specific information make it possible to identify Punk Hartnell's destination as MAAG, Vietnam.

It is not too early to start planning for that pilgrimage in June. I mean our 15th reunion. Fred Tibbetts in Dept of Social Sciences, and Tom Ware in Office of Physical Education are the reunion coordinators on the USMA end. Harass them with inquiries, requests, and applications. It is their fault for not attending the meeting at which they were selected. Profit from their mistake, however, by being here in June. Incidentally, we have no addresses for Bill Hayden, RO Barton, Lou Schalk, or Joe Gorrell. Anyone knowing their whereabouts, please let us have the information. Since the headcount on '48-ers at USMA will drop from 13 to seven next summer, plans are being made to transfer our base of operations from West Point to the DC area after June Week. The experience of other classes indicates that this is a more efficient arrangement. Finally, we want to lay to rest the unfounded rumor that the writers of this column have more news than we can cram into a single issue. Start writing; keep writing; write again. We are anxious to hear from all of you.

'49

Major F. A. Wolak  
Dept. of Electricity  
West Point, N. Y.

Something new has been added to the home football games! After each game, visiting classmates and guests are invited to join local classmates at a cocktail party to rejoice, regale, and reminisce. How's that for added incentive to come up to see us (all 25 that are still here)? Besides that, the football team under Paul Dietzel should be supercharged, judging from the practice sessions.

Not to be outdone by all the political elections, the Class has elected a new slate of officers for this year.

President—Gene Marder  
Vice President  
Social Chairman } —Phil Feir  
Bon Vivant  
Treasurer—Ben Suttle

A fine group in the noble tradition. Good luck, men! And a big thank you to Dick

Tallman, Joe Kingston, and Turner Croonquist of the outgoing group. Although technically limited to the West Point area, their jobs ranged far and wide and served (with-out pay) in a sense the entire Class.

One man who has served, although I suspect that he wishes now he had never got involved with the 10-year (spelled tenure?) book, is John Costa. John wrote that with the taxing studies at Leavenworth over, he can devote the long Korean evenings to getting out the book. Any estimated delivery date, John? Your ole buddy Bill Armstrong, now with a missile crew at Altus, Okla., is very anxious to read it while putting in time in the silos. Dan Brooksher came home from Europe this summer and is now at the Pentagon with USAF DCS/OPS so he's probably too snowed with paperwork to rush you, John.

#### YOUR REPORTS

Your own unpaid reporter (YOUR) staff of hundreds (you dear readers) has managed to come up with two contributions. The first, from Rigor Morton, is responsible for the picture gracing our column. Rigor writes "In I-1 company, 25 classmates graduated. Of these, seven went Army—the remainder USAF. Of the seven Army files, one has since retired as a result of wounds (JC Hayes) and one has left via resignation (Sarcione). The five remaining Army active duty types, by a quirk of luck, recently found themselves together in the DC area. Bob Nulsen and Dick Craig were at the Mutual Security Institute (Bob enroute to Laos, Dick to Taiwan). George Hoffmaster is assigned to ACSI. Jack Arnett is aide to the CG, Combat Developments Command at Ft. Belvoir. I am SGS to the Army Materiel Command. Perhaps you can use this unique picture in your column (no other company has one like it after 13 years' service). Mary Gay Craig had permission from the Supe to be absent when the picture was taken. Dick 'Charley White' Stauffer was acting official photographer." Thanks, Rigor.

JP Chandler submitted the following informal report on his trip to USAFA:

"During the week 18-22 Jun I attended the American Society for Engineering Education annual meeting which was held at the US Air Force Academy. By coincidence I flew out from New York to Denver with Walt Millikan (recently resigned from AF), who is working for a safety research foundation looking into near-accidents between aircraft. (Ed note: how fortuitous!) I spent the first afternoon and evening with Dick Lea, my Plebe year roommate (medically dis-

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You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
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charged in Plebe year). He is now in charge of Structures and Aerodynamics for Titan III missiles in the Martin Company. Dick and Margaret have two boys, 11 and 10 years old. Dick sent regards to '49.

Among the active duty members of the class, Dave Arnold was at the Academy on a visit from Wright-Patterson. I had visits with Mike Steger in the Math Dept, John Saxon in Electrical Engineering, and Bill Lambert who is an AOC, an equivalent of tactical officer."

Thanks JP. Such is the meager news from our own. To those whose names have never appeared in this column, this should be sufficient incentive to come out of your shell of bashfulness and tell us where you are and what you are doing. YOUR REPORTS section should comprise the major bulk of the column. Deadline for next issue: 1 Dec.

#### PIO REPORTS

PIO releases descended in a flood from the Army and Air Force C&GS's. Among the pertinent tidbits scattered through the standard spiel were: Bill Rank to Korea; Bart Day to CONARC; Ted Boland to DCSBERS (now OPSPERS?); Jack Thomas to Taiwan; our friend John Costa to Eighth Army; Roland Peixotto OCSI; Ross Johnson to 1st Cav.; Norman Eaton to Paris; Bill Hiestand to Graduate School of Mechanical Engineering at the U. of Mich.; Al Turner to Military District, Wash.; Henry Sheets to Alaska. No releases on the other graduated Army classmates. Air Force releases covered the following: Emmet T. Everest to Bentwaters, England; Bill Robison to AFIT as instructor; Jack Cronin to Paris; Bob Slizeski to Ent in Colorado; Marsh Neal to Sandia Base (again!); John Kiely to AFIT as a student.

The above info has appeared before in the column. Jack Cronin gave a more thorough coverage in the last column. The listings here are included to show you that the PIO's do get out the news. Those who were not mentioned probably didn't fill out a hometown PIO form.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

To Doug Weart on the Air Force Commendation Medal for work as advisor on troop carrier operations with TAC-CONARC, Ft. Bragg.

To Duane Smith and Bill Goodwin on the Army Commendation Medal. Duane for his meritorious service as an instructor at Ft. Eustis, and Bill for his meritorious service with the Missile Division of the Artillery Board at Ft. Bliss.

To Bob Nulsen on the fine article in Army magazine on counterinsurgency. (There's that word again.)

To Art Mayer on his fine June Week article in ASSEMBLY and his stellar performance on daytime "Password" in September, where he picked up a little bundle of loot with Carol Lawrence and Jack E. Leonard.

To Dolly and Fred Johnson on their girl, Dolly Marie, born 11 Nov 61. (Shows you how fast some news travels.)

To Mary and Phil Feir on their first-born, Phil Jr., who arrived in April.

To Sue and Snuffy Smith on their second childhood they celebrated by joining the



1949: Unique I Co photo. Front row, from left: Rigor Morton, Bob Nulsen, George Hoffmaster, Jack Arnett. Back row: Maryanne Morton, Alice Nulsen, Dick Craig, Jean Hoffmaster, Jeanette Arnett.

sports car set with their brand new jazzy black Buick "Skylark." Snuffy claims he's only trying to live up to the "new" image of the English Department (definitely continental).

#### ODDS AND ENDS

Ben Suttle concludes the news with a run-down on a recent trip down to Washington, where he saw Mo Moran and George Hoffmaster cloak and daggering in ACSI, and Clay Buckingham from AFSC. Bob Schwartz at 2d Army Hq, Ft. Meade, made the supreme sacrifice when he moved down the street temporarily so that Ben, Claire, and family, and Bob's relatives could have his place. How about that for a classmate!

One final note to all. The next column threatens to be pure hearsay, gossip, or out and out make believe, unless I am rescued by reams of facts from you. HELP!

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The Memorialization Committee of Vlissides, Greer, Dave Cameron, and Hunt met recently on the class 20-year memorial. Two major subjects were discussed:

First, what should the memorial be? We would like to have your ideas. Most classes present useful gifts to the Corps, such as athletic awards, furnishings for class clubs, etc. Memorials per se cannot be erected. Please send any ideas you may have to me or to George Vlissides (PO Box 347, Randolph AFB, Tex.).

Second, how will we raise the money? Estimated costs are around \$5,000. Our constitution authorizes dues to raise such finds. A collection of \$2 a year was approved, to begin this year, and to be continued until sufficient money is available to meet our estimated 1970 needs. More on this later.

Welcome to West Point, Rex and Dannie Jennings, John and Kathy O'Brien, Hank and Muriel Strickland, and Dick and Marilyn Hunt.

The class is well represented in the political area: Jack Murphy recently won the Democratic Primary for New York's 16th District. Bill Ward, from Suffern, N.Y., is a Democratic candidate for the 28th District. Both will be running in the November election for the House of Representatives.

All the class wants to know the identity of Captain "X." "Observer, Hell! I'm an American Guerrilla in South Vietnam!" (See p. 20, *Argosy*, Jul 62.) Please step forward. We'd like to know what Captain "X" is really like.

George Cannon was honored as a distinguished graduate from the USAF Command and Staff College. George is being reassigned to ADC, Ent AFB, Colo.

In addition to graduating from Leavenworth, Bob Gard was awarded a PhD from Harvard this June. Bob's doctoral dissertation won Harvard's Sumner Award for Scholarship at that level in government and political affairs. He recently passed through West Point on his way to Heidelberg.

Other recent visitors to West Point: Norm Smedes, looking longingly at the new ski slope, on his way to Ramstein AB, Germany, from Maxwell; Tom McBride and family on way to C&GSC from ROTC in West Virginia; "Chip" Kaseman and family returning from 3 years in Japan; Bill Lamdin, on leave, now the S-3 of an Armor Bn in Texas; Lee and Ross Franklin, on leave from his Africa studies at George Washington U. Ross admits to

a large Washington group but no reports as yet, except the enclosed picture of a '50 party in February, which, like some other parties in the vicinity, no one seems to be talking about too much. Anyone end up in the pool?

Bill Read writes from Leavenworth. He and Mary Ann stopped in Kingston, Canada, to visit Bill and Risa Brandes. Then on to C&GSC where he found Jim Trayers his class advisor, plus 60 others from '50. A party is planned. Permanently assigned are Detherow, Mackmull, Trayers, Wheaton, with Skelton marking time prior to Camberly. In the Associate Course, Mark Jones. In the Regular Course, Aull, Barnes, Ray Barry, Boylan, Brown, Buccolo, Chapman, Cheney, Bill Davis, Donovan, Eshelman, Flynn, Gearan, Gradoville, Griebing, Haberman, Lym Hammond, Holt, Howe, GH "Hub" Hubbard, Dave Hughes, Hutcheson, Al Jennings, Johnsrud, Briggs and John Jones, Joy, Jim Kelly, Leary, Burke and Emmett Lee, Lewis, Lombard, Martin, McBride, McDowell, Monihan, Morris, Palmer, Parks, Walt Price, Rein, Roush, Ruppel, George and John Shaffer, Snoke, Stapleton, Strider, Tormey, Trefry, Warner, Wolf, Wyrrough, and Trompeter.

Word is that: Al Scholl is now a team leader in the 1st SF Group in Okinawa; Jim Workman is chief of the Nike Zeus Test Branch at White Sands, N.Mex.; also in that area, at Sandia Base as a program director, is Pat Wilson, who was working on the "Operation Dominic" nuclear test series; Chuck Newcomb is in O&T Seventh Army; Kelly Veley moves from Baltimore to Philadelphia in a new job with GE; Sid Steele to AFSC on his return from MAAG Thailand.

Recently made a trip to the Special Warfare School at Bragg. Within a few minutes of each other in the Counterinsurgency Department, I ran into Rufe Smith and Ted Seely, both of the "green beret." Captain "X," anyone?

John O'Brien reports that Norman and Dahl Hubbard are enjoying a tour near Paris in the 7th Sig Bn (SHAPE), and further that Norm coached the SHAPE basketball team through a very successful season. Also, says John, Paul Vanture completed the French equivalent of CGSC in Paris in June and is now on utilization tour with the French Army in Germany.

Commendation Medals for meritorious service to: Claude Doghtie as an instructor and as chief of the Special Projects Div, Air Defense School; and Ralph Rittemen, now at Tinker AFB, as a faculty member, Air University.

Clyde Spence ran into Gus Hergert in Washington. Gus is expecting orders to U. of Ala. for a Master's in Business. Clyde also reports that Ed Crockett is newly assigned to Seventh Army Hq in Stuttgart. As an additional duty, Ed will take over liaison duties for the West Point AOT program. He'll be the third successive classmate for this duty: DeGraf and Ebner preceded him.

Clyde is working on class obituaries to be published in ASSEMBLY. Five have been in the last three issues, but he needs help with the remaining 21. If you can help him, please offer your services to him c/o MP&L, USMA.

Mrs. R. L. Osborne, Dave's mother, writes that a small chapel adjacent to Christ Church in Las Vegas was completed this summer. A window, called the "West Point Cadet" window, has been donated by friends of Dave. Anyone in or passing through Las Vegas is invited to stop by for anything from a prayer to a wedding.

While in Europe on AOT this summer, Chuck Watters saw: at Seventh Army, Ken and Loris Ebner, Phil Samsey, and Phil Reybold; 8th Div, Ross Mayfield; VII Corps, Andy Rutherford; Rhine-Main AFB, Bob Henry.

After 3½ years at Kirtland AFB, Carl "The Bolo" Brunson is now in Mechanics at USAFA. Bolo was in charge of nuclear power-applied research. Periodically he saw Herb Liechty. At AF Academy are: John Streit (Mech); Ty Tandler (Tac); Lou Leiser (Astro), Frank Zagorski (Russian), Chuck Hammond (Tac), Joe Anderson (Tac), Jack McGee (leaving), and Bill MacLachlan.

Birth announcements: Gretchen Jane to Jean and Ed Gradoville in July; Stephen Paige to Patti and Jim Kelly in August; James Arthur to Lorette and Art McGee in June; Jane Hunter to Fae and Chuck Watters in August; and Charles Calvert to Judy and me in August.

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The homecoming game with Penn State was played after the poop for this issue went to the Editor, so news of homecoming activities, along with news of the annual get-together in Philly for the Navy game, will have to wait until the next issue.

Prior to the last issue I had nothing but plaudits for all of you. The letters overflowed my "in" box. Why, we even had two pictures to publish. This issue I have really had to scratch for something to print, so correspondents please note.

The summer at West Point saw the usual arrival of classmates to fill the vacancies in the cheering section made by departing classmates. In the last issue I mentioned that Guy Jester had arrived to lead the '51 cheering section in newly-renovated Michie Stadium. He has been joined by two more cheerleaders. Frank Hamilton, Math Dept, and Tom Williams, who has been transferred to within commuting distance by the Turnstead Division of General Motors. Tom, Jane, and the three young ones live in New Town, Pa.

John Tatum has passed the word that Frank Hodgkins was married in the Cadet Chapel on 1 Sep. Anyone want to enlighten me as to the bride's name? Frank is with Gilbert Associates of Reading, Pa. John Tatum, incidentally, is the new president of the local chapter of Black 51. He replaced Joe Fant, who certainly has earned a "well done" for a fine job during the past year.

Red Forrester, Artillery, is the new Exec of the 1st BG, 1st Inf, here at USMA. How about that? Red told me the other day that there are a couple of classmates who still owe him for cuff links and tie clasps. Just a friendly reminder. Ron and Suzan Roberge arrived late in the summer. They came from the Frankfurt am/Main area. He is with the E side of MA&E. Ellie Beczkiewicz has finally joined Pete in Germany. Dick Szymczyk just home from Korea is schooling in Washington at American U., I hear. Sandy and Jean Weyand stopped by en route to Maxwell AFB. Sandy is attending the Air Force Command and Staff College. Roy Herte and wife stopped by en route to Ft. Hood. They have just returned from Frankfurt. I have heard a rumor that Dick Dawson is with the Martin Co., in Orlando, Fla.

In the stork dept, a girl for Al and Jean Esser on 14 Sep. Paige Elizabeth is the name of Audry and Bill Malouche's daughter

who checked in 6 Sep. Boy #1, Clinton Edwin Granger III, brought joy to Liz and Clint on 12 Jul.

Joe Clemmons was here this summer to talk to the Yearlings at Camp Buckner. He talked to them about a day after a showing of "Pork Chop Hill," which, I am sure that most of you know, is the fine documentary on the wartime exploits of Joe Clemmons, Walt Russel, and Gorman Smith.

Bob and Tinkey Hyatt are at Ft. Bragg. Bob Prehn reports that Bob Hyatt is with Plans Div of the 82d Abn Div and seems to be enjoying the work.

Delmar Ring has been promoted to VP of Kulicic and Soffa Manufacturing Co., of Philadelphia, designer and builder of electronic manufacturing equipment. Congratulations, Del. The Rings live at Cedar Lane, Wycombe, Pa.

There are some classmates whom we have lost tract of during the past few years. If any of you know the whereabouts of any of the following, please drop me a line: Doug Michel (L-1), Tom Harrold (F-1), Diego Jiminez (L-1), Bill Edler (M-1). If any of you want to have classmates put on the "wanted list," let me know.—That's it for this time.

#### BEAT NAVY

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It is with deepest sympathy that the Class takes note of the recent death of Jane Ulmer, daughter of Walt and Marty Ulmer. Janie died at Ft. Leavenworth, where Walt is now at school, and was buried at West Point on 24 Aug. The Ulmers requested that in lieu of flowers contributions be sent to the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, Attn: Contributions Department, 4010 E. 68th St, N.Y. 21. The Class has sent a contribution from the class fund but those who wish to send a personal contribution should include Jane's name and also Walt's name and address at Ft. Leavenworth.

A letter from Stan Kuick says, in part, "My wife and kids are still in Germany visiting her folks (as of 16 Aug 62) . . . so I am still bacheloring it for awhile. My main purpose in writing is to give you some info on classmates here at Sandia Base. As I recall, you made a plea for notes for ASSEMBLY. (It was more like a wild cry, Stan.) Saturday evening, 11 Aug, we had a '52 Reacquaintance Buffet and Beer Party at Bob and Phyllis Sears' house. Among those present were the Sears, Frank and Joann Benedict, Jim and Nancy Lehar, Joe and Jean Wasiaak, Bill and Fran Walker, Cecil and Marlene Sykes. . . . Bob did a tremendous job on the barbecued chicken."

Sam and Margaret Wetzel have arrived in Germany via the *USS United States*. Charlie and Joanne Hoenstine did the Bon Voyage honors in New York.

Heard from the wife of a member of the Class of '53 that Bob Wheeler is at VPI graduate school. We leave no class unturned when hunting lost classmates.

Tom Pace sent me a clipping from the N.Y. *World-Telegram* which read in part:

UNK'S POSITION UNK—Army Skipper Doesn't Finish. The allure of Larchmont Race week is such that an Army captain, Robert McGarry, stationed at West Point, decided

he'd like to compete in yachting's most colorful small boat spectacle.

The captain wrote race chairman, Don King, saying he owned an 18-foot Dutch-built sailboat. King sent him an entry blank but because he had no idea of the boat's class or the determination of the Army skipper, Don suspected he'd never hear from the captain again, although clearly he was welcome.

King thought nothing more about it until opening day of race week when a long, lean, sun-burned chap presented his entry blank to the chairman. This was McGarry.

On the entry blank were written the letters UNK for class and King was puzzled. "I've been around a while but I've never heard of the UNK class," he told the captain. "What does it mean?"

Capt. McGarry, of the West Point Yacht Club, who had taken 2 days to sail down the Hudson, into the Harlem, and then the Sound to reach Larchmont, promptly replied:

"In Army parlance, sir, UNK stands for unknown."

He had no sail number either, but this was no barrier. "I'll put 52 on it," the military helmsman decided. "That's the year I graduated from college."

The race chairman described the 18-footer as a neat plywood craft with a small cabin, a fairly tall rig. King gave him a start with the Bullseye class and off went the captain in his first Larchmont race.

A story book ending would have McGarry speeding around the course and crossing the finish line ahead of umpteen classes. Alas, this is not the case. He never finished the race and just how far he got nobody knows.

"We're still wondering where he went," King said today. "I hope he didn't get lost."

A fact not included in the clipping is that Drake Wilson is part owner and part-time skipper of the UNK and was on her when she disappeared. Tom, in his note, said ". . . include the ending in the next ASSEMBLY. Where did he go?" Well, Tom, he went home. But with some indignation, Bob and Drake have told me they *did* finish. It's just that the race committee got tired of waiting, took up the finish marks after (ahem) quite awhile, and called it a day. Oh well, better luck next year, boys.

A rather belated announcement of the birth of Allison Ann to Tom and Roberta Brodin. The card announcing Allison as the fifth young Brodin arrived just too late to make the summer issue and her 4 Jun 62 birthday upset reunion plans, according to Roberta.

News flash! Congratulations to Ed White for being chosen as one of the new group of Astronauts! See the rest of you at the games!

'53

Capt. James A. Eubanks  
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Well, the big 10th Year is well underway. Not that this puts us up very far on the ladder, but I doubt that any of us will have to worry any more about giving the junior dinner speech. It does, however, give us the best reason in the world for a great gathering of the clan come next June Week. So, continue making your plans, and if you can possibly break away from wherever you are—be herel Plans are going strong for a "really big show," and if the good time had by '52 this summer is any indication, it'll be a week to remember.

Speaking of remembering, don't forget to

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

send along to Dave Horner your questionnaires, biographies, and pictures for our 10-Year Book. Dave and assistants are plugging away at this mountain-sized task, but of course its success depends on how well we feed him the info. Dave also tells me that he would like any of us who can fit it into the budget to send along \$6 (the price of the book) to allow him to build up an operating reserve. A check payable to Class of 1953 Yearbook will do nicely.

Before I get started on the doings of the class, let me sneak in a couple of fast "thank you's": one to John Smythe for getting me started in good shape and one to all of you in advance for the dope you are going to provide. Of one thing I am certain: you will do much better than I did during my first 9 years on the "lost list." I can now understand the pleas of the historian. So, if you wake up between 0100 and 0500 with nothing to do—write me a letter.

First, let's take a quick trip around the US to see who's doing what, where. Joe and Louise Perlow, fresh in from Indiana U., passed along the following: The Graham McIntyres, Sam Fishers, and Ken Dawsons are at Ft. Sill in the Arty Career Crse. Bill Harris is hitting the books at Okla. U., and Edy and John Oblinger are at Tulane, where John is studying nuclear physics. John and Barb Stoneburner are at Sandia Base, N. Mex., along with Bob Thomas. John and Bob are doing '53's bit for Research and Development. Julie and Wally Noll are at U. of Ill.

My next door neighbor, Bill Jewell, tells me that Dick Lawrence has just transferred from his duty at Sunnyvale, Calif., back to his parent organization at Huntsville, Ala. Also, that Jack Merrigan has just started 2 years of graduate study at USC. "Weemo" Wubbena mentioned that Herb Peckham is professor of physics and chemistry at a junior college in California, and that there was an addition to the Peckham family this summer. Good work, Herb—on both scores, that is. ?? Wells is expected to arrive south of the border soon in MAAG, Brazil, to be the aide to the CG. Ed Davis reports that Bud Tardiff has recently resigned from the AF to go to work for the AEC. Bud and Flo are still living in Rockville, Md. Tom Brain passed on that Art Cates and Al and Pam Lindholm have arrived at Ft. Benning for the Career Crse, with Art as class leader and Al as Exec. Seems that Al has found time to continue teaching Russian at night. Al, there's bound to be a good reason for cross-training a good red leg. Keep those Inf files straight down there.

Curt Brewer is holding down a Nike site in Denver after his tour in Korea. Also from Denver is a word from Mort Saffer that Joe and Pat Brown are expecting their seventh any day now. Georgette and Dick Neu are in Lawton, Okla. Dick is also in the Career Crse at Sill. After the course he expects an assignment to stay on as an instructor. Out that way, too, are Gertrude and Fred Glauner, living in Temple, Tex. Fred is assigned to Ft. Hood along with John Fitch, the only other '53 file there as of now.

Now for a look overseas. An interesting note from Joyce Friedersdorff passed along some of the stateside word as well as some news about Lou and our other classmates in

Saudia Arabia. With Lou and Bert Fuller and John Ceglowski. Lou traveled recently to Asmara, where he visited Lois and Ken Heitzke. Ken's job is S-3 of Hq at Kagnew Station in Asmara. Until housing is available at the station, they are living in the city. Their high life there includes maid, houseboy, and night guard.

Also from that neck of the woods is a report on Hank Purcell. Seems that Hank acted as interpreter for VP Johnson during his recent tour of Turkey. The VP was very impressed with Hank's ability to speak and translate the language. Good going, Hank; most of us are having trouble with our English. Hank still has about a year to do there.

Quite a few items are in from Europe. Fred Reynolds, who was at the Engr Intelligence Center at Heidelberg, was transferred to the AEC in Germantown, Md. Rick Agather saw Graham Vernon in Germany and says that Graham plans to ring the wedding bells as soon as he returns from Vietnam, where he is now headed. A note from Joan Walters says that classmates are scarce there in Stuttgart, but that the Zippes are in Nuremberg. Joan wrote while Monty was off in Scotland. Sounds like a good trip, Monty! John Seigle provided several tidbits on his return from his AOT boondoggle in Germany this summer. Says he spent a weekend in Berlin, where he saw Pat and Fred Siebert and Lee Rew. Fred is head of the visitors bureau, knows everybody in Berlin, and does a wicked twist. Lee has switched from his aide job and has rejoined the troops as a Company CO in the 6th Inf. In Berlin temporarily was Pat Luck with the 8th Inf. Also there was Spike Flertzheim with the Engr Div of the Northern Area Command in Frankfurt. Spike was to move shortly to take command of a company in the Engr Bn of the 4th Armd Div. John didn't have much to say about his TDY fling in Paris. Have fun, John?? Dropping south: Bill Horton took part in the SETAF week-long FTX, Green Arrow II, in Italy this summer. Bill is still in Plans and Opns and is still in his Verona Villa.

Neal Creighton brought back some interesting news from his exchange trip to Mexico this summer. On his way down he bumped into Walt Henderson on the plane in Baltimore. Walt is working as a civilian lawyer for the Dept of AF and is living in the Washington, D.C. area. In Mexico, Neal had dinner with Bob and Helen Dean. Bob is a civilian, working for a Mexican banking and investment corp. He adds that the Deans have two children, a fine home, and that Helen is enjoying her art classes there. Bob says that now and then he sees Carlos Ravelo, who is now out of the Mexican Army and working in Mexico City.

Word from the gang in Korea has Ken Sweeney in the G1 Sec, Hq, I Corps. Ken has just taken over as nuclear safety officer, a traveling job, I think. How about being my roving reporter over there, Ken? Rick Vander Meer is in the G3 Sec, 1st Cav Div. Hal Ryan left Korea this summer headed for C&GSC, and Bob Zargan, who was with the Eighth Army G1 Sec, left early this summer to join our gang holding the fort in Vietnam. Bob Barton in Seoul has taken command of the Eighth Army honor guard made up of UN and ROK troops.

Last but certainly not least, the flyboys. Joe Williams finished up the USAF Comd and Staff College at the Air University at Tinker AFB, Okla., on 8 Jun. Joe has stayed on as a member of the faculty at the Squadron Officers School. The latest count from Ann and Joe shows four children. Also at

Tinker are Steve and Evelyn Belgau. Steve, an instructor navigator in the B-58 combat crew training school, recently presented a paper on mapping radar as an aid to air safety at the Institute of Navigation in San Diego.

#### BABY CORNER

To Chuck and Edy Fiala, a daughter, Nancy Patricia, in December, at Ft. Greeley, Alaska. To Dave and Isabelle Horner, a daughter, Kathleen Moreland, 7 Sep, at West Point. To the Herb Peckhams, a son, Mark Howard, 4 Jul, Calif.

To Bob and MM Schroeder, a son, Robert Lewis Jr., 17 Jul, at Columbus, Ohio.

To Rollo and Barbara Sullivan, a son, Matthew, 9 Jul at St. Albans Naval Hosp, L.I., N.Y.

That's the news for this time. Another reminder to make plans for the Big Reunion and to send in your info for the 10-Year Book. Also, please send along any tips you may have on good ad prospects. The more financing we have, the better the book! By the time you read this it will be BEAT NAVY time again. We are all looking forward to a good turnout at the QM Depot in Philadelphia after the game again this year. Keep the letters (and pictures) rolling in. The more you tell me, the more I can tell you. See you in Philly!

# '54

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Two of our very finest classmates—Don York and Gene Procknal—met tragic deaths this summer. To their wives and families, every member of our Class extends his deepest and heartfelt sympathy.

Gene Procknal was killed in an air crash on 3 Aug at Pease AFB, Portsmouth, N.H. For the past 4 years he had served in SAC as an aircraft commander, and only shortly before had competed in SAC's bombing competition. Gene's and Mary's fourth child was born only 2 weeks before his death.

Don York was killed in combat—in an ambush north of Saigon, Vietnam, on 14 Jul, while on an operation with the Abn Bn which he served as an adviser. Don and Johanna had a son and daughter.

Wes Gheen writes from Vietnam that Don's death "certainly came as a shock to all of us, though of course we know that such a possibility exists here." Wes also asks: "Is there any memorial we might have for Don as first combat casualty?"

The class is well represented in Vietnam. Bill Weafer writes that "from the Communist border of North Vietnam to the tip of the Delta in South Vietnam, the Class of '54 is well represented. Any of those scheduled to come over will surely find familiar faces without having to look too far."

Those faces include Dick Ziegler as Asst G-3 and Wes Gheen as Det Com with the 7th Div (Vietnamese), in My Tho in the Delta area; Don Alameda as Bn Adviser to the 5th Div; Dave Macklin in MAAG Hq in Saigon; and Bill Weafer, Sam Walker, Norm Mattmuller, Wally Carlson in Saigon. Also, Bud Passmore, at the Vietnamese Military Academy, along with his family; Jack Spence with the Ranger School; John Woodyard, as a Self Defense Corps Trainer; Fletcher Ware, with the Abn Brigade; and, in the "north country", Jim Whitley, Roy Muth, John Rogers, George Calhoun, Dion Johnson, Don Nowak, and Bill Archer.

Completely on the other side of the world,

where life is considerably more peaceful, 67 members of the Class are clustered at West Point. Here's a quick rundown, last names only: Albro, Anderson (JH), Anklam, Anthis, Baldwin, Ballantyne, Bard, Barnes, Baughman, Beaumont, Bonner, Bowling, Broumas, Butler, Chancellor, Chesbro, Darling, Debelius, Drisko, Eberhart, Epling, Forman, Galvin, Ganahl, Gomez, Goodwin, Ham, Healy, Henry, Hincke, Hunt, Keiser, Knoff, Lasher, Leiser, Lindsay, Lucas, Lykke, Matthews, Meador, Mentillo, Miller JT, Miller P, Mologne, Moore JE, Pappageorge, Pawloski, Piolunek, Poteat, Renfro, Richard, Roderick, Samouce, Scovel, Shaw, Sterling, Stodter, Stout GW, Sullivan HEB, Thompson, Van Valkenburg, Vesser, Vinson, Wagner LC, Wallace, Wood, and Young TC.

And it continues to be fashionable to sport a second degree. Last June's crop of Master's graduates from Georgia Tech included Shelly Burnett, Milt Aitken, Bob Ley, and John Hudachek, all now at Ft. Knox; Bob Gomez and John Ballantyne, at West Point; Russ Parker, now at Air Defense Board at Ft. Bliss; Bill Hannon, in Korea; and George Kourakos, in the office of the Chief of R&D at the Pentagon. Next year's Georgia Tech grads: Jim Bradel, Joe Masuck, Dave Teaberg.

Other students include: Bob McPherson, now at the U. of Mich.; Dick Cavanaugh, at U. of Tenn.

A couple of 8-year holdouts are entering the married ranks. Jim Ransone married Janet Hodges at Verdun, France, on 11 Aug. And Dick Baughman plans to wed Susan McKeond in Nashville at Christmastime.

And the babies continue to arrive: Ann Marie to Jim and Mary Fraher (their fourth), on 13 May in Baltimore; Carrie Nell to Prop and Alice Walker, on 3 Aug; Lianne Gail to Bud and Gail Gurney (their third), on 28 Aug in Tarzana, Calif.; Julia Blair to Lenny and Virginia Griggs (their third, all girls), on 14 May at the Air Force Academy; John Ross to Paul and Carolyn Jenkins (their fourth) on 12 Jul at Lakewood, Calif.; Robin Anne to Earl and Sylvia Payne on 8 Feb; Karen Ann to the Dick Vosslers on 16 Mar; and Robert Mitchell to the Ike Corons on 7 May.

The Paynes, Vosslers, and Corons are all living in Dayton. Both Earl and Dick were scheduled to leave the R&D field for new assignments with the Tac Air Command and a return to cockpit jobs. Stan Beck is Sqdn Operations Officer at Loring AFB, Maine. Larry McFarlane is attending Purdue U., accompanied by his bride of last April, former Pat Amacker of Mississippi. Craig Mahaffy took time off from Sheppard AFB, Tex., where he's flying B-52's, to participate in Operation Dominic, the nuclear test series conducted in the Pacific. Charlie Andreas is due back from a tour in Turkey in November; Natalie has been waiting it out in Brenhan, Tex. Len and Seley Fuller are at Killeen, Tex. And Jim and Joan Sloan are at Oklahoma U., where he's taking nuclear physics.

From Germany, John Gilboux breaks an 8-year silence to send word that he's now in the intelligence field, working in the S2 office of 10th SF Group. He's in charge of establishing a language training program and an area study set-up. John and Bernice had their second child, a daughter, about a year ago.

John also reports that Yale Weatherby is with him as Asst Group Commo Off; that Soapy Woodbury's company recently won the "Cotton Bailleurs Trophy" as the outstanding company in 3d Armd Div; and that Gene

Donnelly, now quite a bit slimmer, is CO of a QM company outside Paris.

On the civilian side, Pete McCloskey sends word from Victoria, Tex., where he and Rochelle and a daughter are settled. He is a production engineer with Union Carbide Chemicals Co., and has charge of the operation of about \$3 million worth of complex processing equipment.

And George Storck is assistant professor of physical education at Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa. George is assistant football and track coach as well as chief wrestling coach.

Let's have your news by 1 Dec. Best regards.

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Bloomington, Ind.

In my annual pilgrimage to Ft. Sill this summer, I encountered a number of the Class, most of whom were attending the Officers' Career Course, which begins at Sill and is completed at Ft. Bliss. Hal and Betty Frear, and their children, Kim and Dan; Leo and Pauleen Hergenroeder and their five boys; Jack and Joan Matteson and their two children; and Russ Parsons, left Sill for Bliss the end of June. Upon completion of the Career Course, Hal will remain at Bliss to attend the Guided Missile Staff Officer Course. Leo, Jack, and Russ will assume duties in Korea. In a later class of the Career Course, the following left Sill for Bliss in early September: Jim and Jo, Susan and David Fleeger; Clancy and Pat, Ted and Elizabeth Delong; Marty and Cleo, Greg and Valerie Ann (born in Feb 62) McNamee; Ted and Evelyn Patterson and their three sons, Jeff, Gerry, and Jonathan; Jim and Carol Barker; Jack and Judy McCloskey and their daughter; and Ken and Jane Ikeda, who were expecting their third child this summer. Subsequent assignments for this class include: Fleeger and Ikeda to Korea; Barker, McCloskey, and Patterson to the Msl Staff Off Course; Delong to a 47-week Turkish language course in Monterrey; and McNamee to Vietnam after 12 weeks at the Language School for Vietnamese. Jack and Marlowe Viney and their daughters, Patricia and Jacquiline, are at Sill, where Jack is assigned to a LaCrosse unit. Most of the above persons were at a class party at Sill in June which Jim and Jo Fleeger gave.

Tom Phillips, Bill Anderson, Dick Wargowski, and Jerry Brown graduated from the Squadron Officer School of the Air University at Maxwell AFB in August. Tom, Bill, and Dick were distinguished graduates in a class of over 850. Tom, his wife Barbara, and their son David, are now in Los Angeles, where Tom has been assigned as an instructor in the AFROTC program at UCLA. Bill and Jan Anderson and their four children are now at the AF Academy, where Bill is teaching English. Dick, Sandy, and Janet Wargowski are now at Kirtland AFB, N.Mex. Jerry, Joan, and Doug Brown are at Vandenberg AFB, Calif.

Kaye Lathrop received his PhD in mechanical Engineering from CalTech, and is now working for the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory of the U. of Calif.

Bill Brown received his MS in geodetic science from Ohio State in June. He is now travelling throughout the Pacific, with Guam as a base of operations, on special survey projects for the Army Map Service. Bill's wife Sandra and son Thomas are staying in Co-

lumbus, Ohio, during the year Bill will be on this tour. Prior to his departure, Bill ran into Pres Mayson and Matt Schepps in Washington, D.C. Pres has finished medical school, and is now interning at Walter Reed. The Mayson's first child, a son, was born in June. Matt was on his way to USMA to teach Spanish, returning from a year in Madrid. In Chicago, Bill called Dave Wanderer, ex-'55, who has received a MBA from the U. of Chicago, and is now working as a sales representative for a firm specializing in business insurance. Dave is still single.

Bill and Pat Lucas are now living in Hales Corners, Wis., a suburb of Milwaukee.

A daughter, Leslie Catherine, was born to Eck and Kitty Hayes on 21 Jul. Eck received his Master's from Middlebury College this summer, and has now resumed his duties at USMA, teaching Spanish.

I received my PhD in political science from the U. of Wis. this summer, and am now teaching in the Government Department of Indiana U. As you probably know, the new president of the university is former Secretary of the Army, Elvis Stahr.

I am told that this issue will reach you early in November. Therefore, *how about* news and pictures from Navy game gatherings, activities at USMA and USAFA, doings at the service schools, happenings in our remote outposts?!!

'56

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Reporting the latest class antics was made easy for me by Bill Crites. He forwarded one of those wide-angle "Vistavision" snaps of what was obviously an informal gathering at Ft. Benning on 4 May, and I, in turn, hope that it will be placed by the ASSEMBLY Editor along side this article to provide all of you with a chuckle or two. As I understand it, George Stapleton can take credit for the party, and Bill Crites will take the blame for incorrect wife first names and personnel assignments. A brief rundown of those pictured and their current assignments follows: Leroy Suddath—Ranger School, 82d Abn, Ft. Bragg; Rennie Hart—Ft. Ord; Rick Shean—Dept of Non-Resident Instruction, Ft. Benning; Ted Dayharsh—1st Avn Co, currently in Thailand; Yogi Yon—Special Forces, Benning; Jerry Burcham—FY63 Career Course, Benning; Charlie Saint—The Infantry Board (CON-ARC), Benning; Ed Richards—ROTC, Penn State; Bob Scully—FY 63 Career Course, Benning; Woody Martin—Penn U. for Masters, then USMA English Dept; Jack Sloan—101st Abn Div, Ft. Campbell; Bob Lindsey—now stationed in Korea; Ernie Wilson—U. of Miami (Fla.), Masters in Psychology, then USMA MP&L Dept; Bill Lyon—Ranger Dept, Benning; Bob Hull—Abn and Air Mobility Dept, CO 41st Student Co, Benning; Gary Williams—1st BG, West Point; Doug Williams—82d Abn, Bragg; Stan Diez—UCLA for Masters, then USMA ES&GS Dept; Jerry Hutchinson, U. of Ind., then USMA PE Dept; Keith Barlow—U. of Penn for Masters, then USMA English Dept; George Loffert—U. of Arizona for Masters, then USMA ES&GS Dept; Zeb Bradford—Harvard for Masters, then USMA Soc Sci Dept; John Foss—FY 63 Career Course, Benning; Steve Canby—Benning; Bill Roll—Aide to Gen. Harrell, CG, USAIS at Benning; Paul Lasley—Ft. Ord; Tom McAniff—2d Div, Benning; Vern Ebert—Armor file attending Inf Course, Benning; Ernie Cross—2d Div, Benning; Fred Rall—

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

assignment unknown; George Woods—Ft. Lee, Va.; Mit Shattuck—Lawson Army Airfield, Benning; Skip Smith—2d Div, Benning; and George Stapleton—82d Abn Div, Bragg. Those in attendance at the 4 May party and not pictured are Norm Schwarzkopf—UCLA for Masters, then USMA ES&GS Dept (Norm won the Marshall Award for outstanding writing at the Benning Career Course this past year); Heath Twichell—American U. in D.C., then USMA Soc Sci Dept; and Whit Coats—father of twins while at Benning and now with the 101st Abn, Ft. Campbell. Bill Crites elaborated some on his own life by saying that he has been assigned as an instructor on the Nuclear Weapons Committee at Benning. Bill also contributed these other newsworthy tid-bits. Mike Conrad will arrive at Benning soon from Bragg to attend the Career Course. Pete and Ginger Lash, Tom and Judy Bullock, and Jim and Joyce Anderson are at Benning from the Florida Ranger Camp waiting for the Career Course to start. Ed Valence, Stainton Smith, and John Foss will join this group for the Career Course. Don and Caroline Holleder will arrive from West Point for the same course. Bill Crites spotted Charlie Glenn and Charlie Kottich in Las Vegas during a recent trip Bill took to the Nevada Test Site. Glenn's assignment is unknown; however Charlie Kottich has completed the Armor Career Course at Knox and was assigned to the 2d Armd Div at Ft. Hood. In addition, Charlie was married last July to Mary Ruth Warner, whom he met at Knox. Charlie Sarkiss completed the Career Course at Knox as an Inf exchange student and was assigned (for the second time) to the 82d Abn at Ft. Bragg.

I received a fine letter from Dick Woods who is currently aide to the Superintendent at West Point. His biggest news is his marriage to the former Mary Williams, whom he met and dated while at Knox. The wedding took place on 8 Sep at the house of his bride's parents in North Carolina. Since Dick recently completed the Career Course at Knox, he had plenty of news from that station. Bill Haponski set the highest score ever made at Knox, graduating No. 1 in the '61 Career Course. Zook Day was No. 2. Rich Frederick, along with his family, is now in Madrid. Knobby Glock is studying for his Master's degree; however, his campus location is unknown. Jack Woodmansee is at Bragg for a flying tour. Doc Bahnsen is an instructor at Knox in the Army Aviation Section. Don Graesser is on the Armor Board at Knox. At West Point, Wally Crain is CO, 1st Inf, and was married to the former Elizabeth Hayes at Clarksville, Tenn, on 28 Jun 62. Keith Barlow is studying at Penn U. to prepare himself as an English instructor at USMA. Jim French is still with the USMA Math. Dept and will be married in November to Janie Wehmann of Bayshore, L.I. Don Morelli is CO, 50th Engr Co (Const) and doing a great job rebuilding West Point. Dick also reports that Fred Holmes (Soc Sci), Hugh Munson (Mech) and Jack Scholz (Ord) are still at the Rock. Phil Stynes (Chem Dept) was married on 22 Jun 62 to the former Dianne Bennett. Buck Abell, newly arrived for a tour with the ES&GS Dept, was



1956: Informal gathering at Ft. Benning, 4 May 62.

married to the former Millicent Dennin at Colorado Springs with Denny Butler, assigned to ENT AFB, and Vern Van Vonderen, assigned to the AF Academy Chem Dept, as ushers.

Speaking of the AF Academy, Doug Johnson has compiled a list of AF scholars, their schools, graduation or scheduled graduation dates, and next assignments (where known). This list, which I am happy to pass along to you (is so extensive that I was forced to delete it. I'm very sorry.—Ed.). In addition, Doug mentioned that he felt the average number of children per family among USMA '56 at the AF Academy was well above two. The Bob Stewarts have added to this average by having their third in June. Doug would like to know if there are any plans for a Chicago get-together after the Army-AF football game next year. Those having information of this nature should contact him at Quarters 6410 H, USAF Academy, Colo., or send particulars to me for publishing in this column.

Joe Dougherty took a minute away from his studies at Vanderbilt to tell me he ran into Walt Wood (ex-'56) out at Cannon AFB, N.Mex. Walt completed the Naval aviation program as a cadet and is now an exchange pilot with the 524th Tac Ftr Sqdn, Cannon AFB.

We're happy to report that baby announcements are still coming in. Ed and Helen Valence, at Ft. Benning, reported that the main attraction at their house since 20 Jun has been Edward Richard Lawrence. Bob and Dolores Sheridan on 23 Jun 62 adopted a son they are proud to name Thomas Dean. By this time, Bob has taken over the Mercury Network Status Monitor job for NASA at Patrick AFB, Fla. Even though Bob is assigned to NASA, he is still in the Service. Margaret and Steve Boylan announced their first, a boy, Peter Cortelyon, born 20 May 62. Steve is assigned to the Hd Btry of VII Corps Arty in New York City. He reported that Bob and Mary Quakenbush were blessed with twins while in Stuttgart, Germany. He also had news that Jesse Blackwell was being transferred to Ft. Eustis.

Jack Polickoski gave me all the rundown on the Baumholder-and-vicinity doings. As you may recall Jack transferred to the Finance Corps about 2 years ago and is currently Finance Off for the Baumholder Post. His wife, Marianne, has recently given birth to a boy, their second child. Jack mentioned that Pat and Ginger Haley, after welcoming their

second child, a girl, have returned to Ft. Knox for the Armor Career Course. Bill and Jan Baxter have also returned to the States to attend the Career Course at Ft. Benning, but not before adding a little girl to their family in Germany. John and Betsy Snodgrass will also be in this country by this time, but their assignment is not known. Tony and Bonnie Ortner are with the 16th Arty in Germany. George Lee is Survey Officer with the 8th Div Arty. George and Jo now boast of two fine girls. Frank and Pat Smith, after rotating to the States for the career course, have now returned to Baumholder with the 3d Armd Cav Regt. Frank is in the S-3 section. Pete Judson, after commanding an Honest John Btry for awhile, is now Asst S-3 with the 28th Arty in Baumholder.

Jim Blewster and Harry Christopher have recently transferred to the TC. Gerry Goldberg, in the Manheim Area of Germany, transferred to the Chemical Corps. Soop Saferstein and Jan are in Bad Hersefeld, Germany, where Soop commands a howitzer battery. Walt Sager is flying jet fighters out of Hahn AFB, Germany, for the Tac Air Command.

I received word from Iline and Greg Wold that Greg has accepted a new position as a sales engineer with the Dynex Co. of Pewaukee, Ill. The Wolds have recently purchased a new house in Naperville, Ill., and would love to hear from anyone in that vicinity. They are interested in purchasing an additional '56 Howitzer if there are any for sale. Send all information to their address at 845 Emerald Lane, Naperville. (Cadet Activities Officer, Hq USCC, West Point, has howitzers for sale.—Ed.)

Ray and Carolyn Cannon will be heading West soon with their little girl Jamie. Following his graduation from AFIT, he is being assigned to the Ballistic Systems Division at Inglewood, Calif. Tom and Bev Reinhardt and Jack and Betty Lou Sharkey will remain in the Dayton area a while longer. Don Ernst is being assigned to Pakistan as Asst Air Attaché. The Ernsts now have a boy and a girl. Jim Linden, now at Columbus, Ohio, has visited with the Cannon's often. Jim's wife, Denyse, and their children are residing in New York. She has quite a good job as a top fashion magazine model there. Fortunately, Jim's current assignment allows him to visit his family in New York often.

As for the Wilkers, we have been rather stagnant of late but we were fortunate enough to be the guests of Bob and Marlene Schuler

recently. They passed along the news that Randy and Dagmar McCreight and Dirk Lueders are attending the Career Course at Ft. Sill. In addition, Bob and Ingrid Caron are stationed at Ft. Knox. George Young has a Nike Btry in Chicago, while Barry Bynell commands a Nike Btry in the Minneapolis area. Mike and Jane Lion are at Princeton where Mike is studying on a fellowship grant. Mike also has a job with the Johns Hopkins Research Laboratory. The Schulers also reported that John and Bobbi Liwski had a boy, John Francis, on 12 May 62.

Thanks for the pictures and news, guys and wives. See you again in 3 months.

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At the outset, I apologize for the lack of "volume" in this report. As yet, the majority of our classmates have not received the Summer issue of ASSEMBLY; therefore, I have not received the many letters correcting my many errors in reporting. Wait, however, until all this outdated poop is read; no doubt I will then be flooded with essays from angry wives and slighted junior captains.

There is no definite word yet on a class party at the Navy Game. Gerry Chase has been designated to handle all arrangements. Those planning to attend should contact me by mail or phone for detailed information after 1 Nov.

Ed Olsmith wrote from Ansbach, Germany, where he commands an 8-inch SP Battery in the 75th Arty. He says John Dubbelde is still in the 8th Div at Hanau. Bill Campion, still a bachelor, is in Bamberg; Bob Beckwith is stationed near Nuremberg. Jerry Longo is also in Ansbach, in the 33d Arty. Bob and Nancy Alsheimer are still in the 8th Div, where Bob is CO, E Co, 504th. Tom Garrigan is also in the 504th, Asst Opns Off.

Dick and Virginia Kenyon announce the arrival of another son, in Germany, 14 Jun. They are now at Princeton where Dick has started work on a degree in aeronautical engineering.

Ray Bell wrote from Camp Buckner in July. He was instructing on the Armor committee there and is now in school at Knox. Also at Knox are Dana Meade, Sam Focer, and Robin Roller.

Thanks go to Dick Caldwell for sending pictures of our 5th Reunion Party at West

**Point.** Inherent problems in making black and white prints from color slides, however, prevent reprinting. Dick says that Tom Olson will finish at Indiana U. this semester and expects to be sent to Belvoir. Dick and Don Whalen are both teaching juice at WP now. Jim Jenkins is at the U. of Ariz., getting a degree in electrical engineering.

Has anyone heard anything from Waxey???

Tom and Cindy Keeley are in Bethesda, Md., where Tom is teaching science in a private school. Tom, don't worry about that minor debt at the WP Officers Club—as soon as I establish contact with Cortez, I will get something done about it. WR Magadiou received his MS from U. of Va. College of Business Administration last June. He now works for Merck Chemical and Pharmaceutical Company in Rahway, N.J.

Bob and Sara Tener are still at Iowa State. Bob finished his work in structural engineering and will study nuclear engineering this year. They had a son born 29 Aug—Robin Evans, 7 lbs.-1 oz. Bob asks for TG Thompson's address—who can help???

Russ Ramsey provided the kind of report on '57 in Panama that makes a fellow in my position smile. Apparently that group had a real blast in June celebrating, among other things, the fifth anniversary of our graduation. Russ is with the USARCARIB school at Ft. Gulick. Bill Seeley is still there teaching. Buzz Chase, Arcade Boivin, Leo Keefe, Dave Schorr, and Dick Scholtes are at Ft. Davis. Ken Kyne is at Ft. Kobbe, and Lou Barisano is at some very unintelligibly-written place. Howie Martinez, Bob Christy, and Mike McCarthy are at Ft. Amador. Chico Stone and Mink Newman were in Panama until last summer, but are now at Sill in the Career Course. Russ says that recently he was in touch with Luis San Andres, who is a 1st Lt. in the Philippine Army, serving as aide to the Army CG in Manila.

Also from south of the border came an interesting letter from Bernie Loeffke, who is ADC to CG, Joint Brazil-US Military Commission. He is spending some time with the Brazilian Special Forces, freefalling into jungles, survival courses, etc., and apparently is having a wonderful time of it. Bernie has spent considerable time and money recently compiling a manuscript for use by aides-de-camp. He asks for anyone with advice, based on experience, to contribute. His address is APO 676, New York.

My cow-year roommate, Hop Keeler, and wife Gail, visited Bridget and me in July. It was the first time I had seen them since their

wedding day more than 5 years ago. Much water has passed over the dam in the meantime, but neither looked any the worse for wear. They are at Altus AFB, Okla.; will be there until next summer, thence to MIT for a degree in political science, and on to the Soc Sci Dept at Colorado Springs. Presently, Hop is flying KC-135's.

Windy Gale breezed into Ft. Bragg this past summer. We have talked with him by phone, but have not seen him yet. He is working with the 7th SF Gp there and stays on the go most of the time—still a bachelor.

Our apologies to Tommy and Karen McDonald. They were to RON with us en route to Puerto Rico; all was set to greet them upon our return from a hospital visit following Huck IV's accident, only to learn they had come and gone while we were away.

Chuck and Lola Lee are still in Med School in Missouri. Bob Comeau is on leave of absence to attend law school at George Washington U.—they are living in Arlington. Dick Morton is in the 2d Div's 9th Inf at Benning. Jim Mooring finished the Squadron Officer's School at Maxwell AFB and is now at Vance AFB, Okla.

That's all I have this time. There is a whole raft of '57 at Benning for the Career Course, but they haven't passed along any poop yet. I hope someone down there will clue me in soon.

Huck IV got himself a little brother on 26 Jun. Ian Douglas Huckabee weighed in at 7 lbs.-9 oz., and is the spitting image of his older brother. Bridget, being surrounded by three extremely handsome men, grows more independent every day. She sends her regards. Things political here are hot; I never dreamed Stanly County (25 miles wide by 30 miles long) was so large. I've covered more than 1,500 miles, shaking hands and stumping. It is truly a rare experience that I am growing to love. By the time you read this, election day will be very near and my adrenalin will probably be exhausted. I need your prayers on 6 Nov.

Write.

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OCC 63-2  
Off Stu Det, USAAMS  
Ft. Sill, Okla.

First article in 39 months from the grand old USA. The natives here all speak a dialect of English, believe it or not. It's good to be back.

You know where You are, and  
You know where We are, but  
We don't always know where You are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

#### AIR FORCE

Paul and Mary Ruud became parents for the first time, with the birth of their daughter, Catherine Moen, on 12 Jun near their station in Leon, France. Paul is with an OSI detachment. Dan and Roxie Yarr are also new parents. Their daughter, Dawn, was born in Germany in May. Dan is with the 601st TC Sqdn, API 171, New York, N.Y. Bill and Dorothy Bicher had a daughter, Carol Anne, born to them on 16 Jul. The Bichers are in Selina, Ala.

Bob and Joan McCann are still at Pease AFB with their two children, Penny and Kelly. Bob co-pilots a B-47. Burt Miller recently completed the Squadron Officer's Course at Maxwell AFB and has returned to his home station at McClellan AFB. Burt and his wife Diane will remain in California until Jan 63, when he reports to Wright-Patterson AFB and AFIT for Grad study in Reliability Engineering.

A recent correspondent may have been in error, but he stated Chazz Porciello was a captain. I've written for confirmation, and meanwhile can only assume it's a spot promotion in SAC, if such a thing still exists. I believe Chazz and Nancy, along with Mac and Pat Williams, and Bruce and Kathy Trott are all stationed at Beale AFB.

Jud and Dorothy Ellis are stationed at Chanute AFB. They recently met with Engineer classmates from the U. of Ill. whooping it up at exam's end.

Toby Kevin, his wife and three children are stationed at Evereaux AFB in France. I met Toby when he flew a C-130 into Kitzingen. He is an aircraft commander and expects to remain in France an additional year. He has completed 3 years there.

#### ARMOR

A letter from Bill Clary indicates that he has left his assignment in Schweinfurt to become ADC to Maj. Gen. C. H. Clarke, C/S of CENTAG, APO 403. Shortly before the change, the Clarys found their family enlarged by one, with the birth of Judith Ann on 14 Jun. Bill writes that L-1 files will be interested in hearing that Major Kean is working in the G-3 plans division. The major spent one year at Annapolis and attended the C&GS prior to his latest job.

Mike Mahler, Dale Hruby, Bill Gillette, and Dan Brookhart are all attending the Career Course which began in September. Mike's European tour had been curtailed 6 months. I understand that Frank Bowen, stationed with the 2d Armd Div in Germany, claims a record "20 moves in 2 years." This report may be exaggerated.

Received a new mailing address from Tom Carpenter: 330 NE 51st Street, Miami 37, Fla. Tom's last station was in Korea with the 40th Armor, APO 24, San Francisco.

Fred Easley is now ADC to Brig. Gen. F. O. Hartel, CG, Berlin Brigade. The job is a fine one, Fred states. Nothing like being in a position to see it at first hand. His address is office of the CG, Berlin Brigade, APO 742, New York.

#### ARTILLERY

Ron and Sharon Olson became parents for the second time on 17 May when their sec-



1957: Reunion Party in Panama. First row, from left: Howie Martinez, Linda Martinez, Patty Schorr, Gail Barisano, Janie Boivin, Sandy Kyne, Denise Christy, Linda Ramsey, Pat Seely, Barbara Newman, Mary Chase, Joann Scholtes. Second row: Dave Schorr, Mike McCarthy, Lou Barisano, Arcade Boivin, Ken Kyne, Bob Christy, Russ Ramsey, Bill Seely, Mink Newman, Buzz Chase, Dick Scholtes.

ond girl, Laura Ann, was born. I'm unsure of Ron's assignment, but believe it to be Korea.

P.D. Vanture, who arrived in Germany in early 1962, is stationed as XO of B Btry, 2d How Bn, 6th Arty in Gelnhausen, APO 39, N.Y., N.Y. Virginia, his wife since July 61, is with him. Cloin Robertson, I understand, arrived in Korea in July. Received a line from Bin Barta that he would be attending the October Career Course at Ft. Sill. His leave address was 1250 Orchard Drive, Rocky River 16, Ohio.

Ron Brunner's new address is Hq, 2d Msl Bn, 51st Arty, Presidio of San Francisco, where he is holding down three main slots: Hq Btry CO, Bn S-2, and Adjutant. In addition he claims 26 minor duties. Ron expects to see duty with a Firing Btry before attending the Career Course later this fiscal year.

#### ENGINEERS

T.K. Smith was married to Catherine Ann McGoldrick of Olympia, Wash., on 2 Jun. Although they plan to live in Rapid City, S.D., Tom's mailing address is PO Box 432, Ellsworth AFB, S.D. He continues to tinker with building missile sites.

Ray Miller is stationed with C Co, 9th Engr Bn, in Germany. Chanute AFB Officers' Club was the site of a class gathering of those attending the U. of Illinois at the finale of summer school and exams recently. Thanks to Joan Collins, I have a wrap-up of the families there: Jim, Mary Ruth, and Danny (18 mo) Peck; Don and Marty Palladino; Rock and Karen Hudson and their two children; Jim, Marilyn, James II and Cynthia Sigler; George, Gale and Rusty (2 yr) Robertson; Ray and Norma Miller and their two sons; Don and Fran Forney; Alex and Lynn Johnston and their two girls, Debbie and Sandy; and Sam, Joan and Kennie (14 mo) Collins. The Collins live at 1405 South Mattis Avenue, Champaign, Ill.

#### INFANTRY

Will Roosma took Sandra Youmans of Estill, S.C., for his wife on 12 Aug at Ft. Benning. Many classmates in the area attended, including John Herren, Chuck Toftoy, Strube Jackson, and wives Nancy McCaffrey and Nancy Moore. Gary Roosma flew from Germany for the event.

Chuck Toftoy, John Herren, Kevin Brown, and Les Gibbins are all attending the Career Course. Their address is: 2d Det, 2d Sch Bn, Ft. Benning, Ga. I understand that Tank Reid and his family are now stationed in Munich.

#### ORDNANCE

Garth Payne has been assigned to the Tank-Automotive Command in Detroit.

#### SIGNAL CORPS

Clark Bailey, assigned to Thailand in 1960, expects to attend the U. of Ariz. for a Master's in physics when transferred from his present assignment. Bob Degen has been assigned to Ft. Hood following advanced schooling at Ft. Monmouth. Jim Frick, who also recently completed the Signal Career Course, has been assigned to the 122d Sig Bn at Ft. Benning.

Branch and Nancy Worsham are temporarily stationed at Valley Forge General Hospital in Phoenixville, Pa., pending word on the resignation he submitted in August. Branch anticipates going into business on Long Island. They have one son, Mike.

#### CIVILIAN

Army Times of 18 Jul indicated that Bill Shepherd and John Brinson had resigned

from the Service. Bill's last assignment had been with the 123d Sig Bn in Wurzburg, Germany. John had been ADC to the Comdt, USCC.

I understand that Pete Byrne is in Cleveland taking grad work at the Case Institute of Tech. Jack May has established an insurance company in Gainesville, Fla. He specializes in commercial insurance, and is also involved in import-export. His address is IMPEX Company, 215 N.E. First Street, PO Box 428, Gainesville.

The 4 Aug Army Times carried Ted Hepner and Denny Rupprecht as resignees. Ted had been in the Artillery, while Denny was in the Engineers. Dan Carter has resigned from the Air Force. He and his wife are living at 2022 Trousdale Drive, Burlingame, Calif.

Request from Bay Area of California that '58-ers there or who anticipate being there contact Dan Carter in San Jose or Monterey area, Ron Brunner in the Bay Area proper, or Bruce Trott in the Sacramento-Marysville area, for planned activities. Their addresses are elsewhere in the article.

A note from Career Management for those Army files confused with the alphabetical listing on the recommended list for captain. The explanation briefly is this: The contemplated listing would have been by class standing at graduation. The error was caught prior to printing, but since the entire class is now scheduled to be promoted in one group on 4 Dec, the end result is "no change" in relative rank in the Class. Relative rank is determined (1) by promotion date, (2) total length of commissioned service, and (3) by PL number in the Officer's Register. PL number is listed the same as class standing at graduation.

Hooray for the 4th of December. Remember, my next deadline will be the first week in December. My new address is at the head of the column. Let me hear from you!

'59

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2d Armd Cav  
APO 411, N. Y., N. Y.

Bachelors of the class have dwindled by two this issue, and congratulations go both to them and to the few remaining.

Al Dorris and Nancy Ann Dunston were wed on 9 Jun in Utica, N.Y., and they were followed by Jim Van Loben Sels and Joan Alice Pisko in Basel, Switzerland, on 26 Jun.

New replacements continue to arrive, and those heard of this time and not previously reported are as follows:

A daughter to Jane and John Joh at Schwäbisch Hall, Germany, sometime in August. John visited Fred Wilmoth in Bindlach during the first week in September and indicated that the family was doing well.

A second son, Paul Benjamin, to Marcy and George Harrison on 11 Jul. Papa George is assigned to the 1st SF Gp at APO 331.

A son, John, to Judith and Dick Whitesides on 15 Sep 61. Dick is presently flying SH-19B helicopters for the 41st Air Rescue Sqdn, Hamilton AFB, Calif.

Bob and Sharon Weekley are in Dachau, Germany, with daughter Michelle Marie born in Sep 61. Bob is CO of Btry B, 3d Gun Bn, 39th Arty, APO 108.

Also in Dachau are Dick and Polly Harnly, and Lee and Susan Briggs with son Scotty.

Dick is S-2 of 2d How Bn, 37th Arty, and Lee is XO of Btry C of the same outfit.

Mike and Judy Duggan are at Ft. Bragg with daughter Maryann born in Sep 61. Mike left Ft. Campbell last January, attended the Army Intelligence School at Ft. Holabird for 14 weeks and is now with the MI Det of the 7th SF Gp at Ft. Bragg. Mike writes that Ray Losey also attended the course at Holabird and is with the MID of the 5th SF.

Others currently at Bragg are Don Tillar, aide to the CG, XVIII Corps Arty; and Ron Baldwin, aide to the CS, XVIII Corps Arty. Denny Morrissey left Bragg for Korea in July.

Jerry Greenawalt is departing the NORAD Control Center in Mill Valley, Calif., in November for Okinawa. The new address will be 2d Abn BG, 503 Inf, APO 50. Betty, the boys and basset hounds will join him there as soon as possible. The Greenwalt's basset had puppies on or about 11 Jun.

Don and Judie Simpson are spending 3 years divided between N.Mex State U. and White Sands Missile Range as part of the Ordnance Corps' Officer Indoctrination Tour. To add to the confusion, says Don, a son Andrew was born last June, bringing the score to one son and one daughter.

The call of the wild boonies and ground duty is taking its toll of the '59 flyers with the 3d Avn Co in Kitzengen. Bob Evans and Jack Poole have gone to Arty units in Bamberg; Monk Hilliard, Gil Roesler, and Howie Stiles have changed to the 1st BG, 17th Inf, in Aschaffenburg; and Jim Hahn and Joe Hurst have moved to the 68th Armor and 10th Eng, respectively, both in Kitzengen.

Tom Moorhead is leaving the Army and has been accepted at the Ohio State School of Law.

Lou Beard is in Vietnam after attending preliminary courses at Ft. Bragg and the Army Language School in Monterey. He and Alison have two girls, and the family awaits Lou's return in Gladstone, Ore. Andy O'Meara is also in Vietnam.

Dick and Margaret Clark are in Babenhäusen, Germany, where Dick is with the 38th Arty, while George Day is a new arrival with the 8th Avn Co in Bad Kreuznach.

Bill Zaldo is XO of Btry C, 35th Arty, in Wertheim, Germany; Phil Gibbs is in one of the Abn BG's in Mainz; and Charlie Getz is with Special Forces in Bad Tölz.

Jack O'Brien reportedly left the Service in July and is working for Westinghouse in Pittsburgh.

Also in civilian life are Win Schepps, at Adelphi College in New York for degrees in child psychology; and Buddy Steinberg, working for the Monsanto Chemical Company in St. Louis.

Tom Young is in Madrid as aide to the deputy chief of the MAAG there.

Tom Roberts is Commo Off with the 3d Armd Div's 36th Inf in Friedberg, Germany, and recently participated in the Prix LeClerc Rifle Matches at Grafenwöhr.

Bruce Porter was one of the first ashore in Thailand last June as part of the 25th Inf Div reinforcement. Bruce is with the 8th Arty.

Bob Ryan is a psychological operations officer with Hq, Broadcasting and Visual Activity, Pacific, on Okinawa. Wife Carolyn is at 204 North Rd., Lindamere, Wilmington, Del.

The Class extends its heartfelt sympathy to the families of our classmates and friends Jim Fielder, who died last April en route to Ft. Bliss; and Bill Train, ambushed by communist Vietnamese last June.

While enjoying a few weeks in the German recreation area of Grafenwöhr, I recently had a chance to run into many classmates. Niel Grigg was there with his Engineer unit, building roads for the Artillery. Mike Coyne, George Fox, Walt Ligon, and Sam Wilder were there to play Armor games, and I got a passing glimpse of Jim Tedrick and Hans Wagner. Among the many Artillerymen there were Joe Fishburne and Sam Nutt, with the 4th Armd Div, and Jim Lynch, stationed in Vilseck. Ron Holz gave me the news that Jim Manning and Jim Schall are the fathers of baby girls; Bud Fritz announced that Don Bonco and Mike Eiland also had new daughters.

Pat and Larry Praither had a daughter, Pamela, in August; and Vicki and Dave Biddinger have a girl, Lisa Elayne, born in September. Stephanie and Stan Freeman had a son, Tom, in June. Dave and Stan have recently been transferred to the new 504th Sig Bn in Mannheim. They write that they have seen many classmates in that area, including Gary Cook, Jim Goldstine, Jim Jackson, and Mike Urette. Dick Clarke writes from Ulm that he and Gail now have a son, Richard Jr. Dick is serving as a company exec with the 54th Inf, and Serge Olive is leading a Scout Plat in the same battalion. Judy and Tom Mercer are in the same area, where Tom re-

cently came out top man in the 51st Inf Expert Infantry Badge testing.

I saw Glen Adams, now drawing jump pay in Baumholder. He recently participated in the 5-day "Operation Jutland Jump," the first large-scale airborne drop ever conducted by US Forces on Danish soil. The picture shows 13 other classmates also in this group, along with our Camp Buckner instructor, Sgt. Maguire.

I just saw Phil Ringdahl, stationed in Wurzburg; he informed me that Mick Seidl is now stationed at an air base near London with his new bride. To the best of my knowledge our only other classmates stationed in England are Rhodes Scholars Larry Budge and Howie Graves; I'm hoping they may have time to drop me a line so I can pass on news of their activities to many interested classmates.

From the States comes word that Carolyn and Bruce Bradford, stationed near Dallas, recently had a daughter, with Jan and Dan DiCarlo as godparents. Becky and Bill Parks, at Ft. Campbell, also had a daughter, Terri Lynne. Jim Loomam, married in June, was assigned to Camp Buckner with Dale Shipley for the summer months. They are stationed in Ft. Campbell, where Larry Welsh finally arrived after being delayed by a sprained ankle.

Jay McCann writes from Ft. Bragg that with all the classmates stationed there it is like old home week. At Walker AFB, N. Mex., Jan and Tom Coyne announced the June

You know where **You** are, and  
You know where **We** are, but  
**We** don't always know where **You** are.  
Keep Us Posted On Your Address.

birth of a daughter, Cheryle. Paul Palmer reports that on a recent trip to Boston he saw Clay Jones, studying at MIT for the Air Force, as well as Frank Williams, who was recently married. Paul then traveled across the country, visiting Lynn Bender and Bill Sievers at Ft. Bliss, then staying with Phil Smith at flight school in Phoenix. Paul and Skip Higginbotham reported together to their air defense sites near Pasadena, where Wayne Williams is also stationed. Many classmates are living in the Los Angeles area, including Don Anselm, Dick Buckner, Larry Butterworth, Bob Kewley, and Jim Stuart. Marie and Jim Raynis, also enjoying L.A., recently announced the birth of a daughter, Cathleen Marie. In Sacramento, Calif., Gus Stiehl was married in late September.

"From Southeast Asia I send you one single thought, one sole idea written on the waters of the Mekong from Bangkok to Korat—sleep easy tonight for '61 is on guard in Thailand..." writes Frank Rauch from that area. Fresh from Hawaii, he arrived there in June with Jack Dorr, Dean Frazier, Harry Miller, Wayne Ploger, George Seckinger, and Hank Van Gorder. Waiting to meet them there were Jay Hartford, Herky Hodge, Bruce Lammers, Mouse Maloney, and Sam Enfield (Sam's wife Nancy had a baby in July). Frank reports that they are all enjoying the rough but rewarding work there, and that Bangkok presents many off-duty attractions which more than compensate for leaving Waikiki.

Ron Hannon, with the 4th Cav in Korea, writes that our classmates there are being kept busy, many of them holding down two jobs because of an officer shortage. Butch Robertson is an XO in the 7th Cav, where Ken Hruby and Reggie Brown are also stationed. Bob Dunning and Mark Silverman are with Lt. Col. Cobb's Arty Bn, and there are many other classmates there with the 1st Cav Div. Froggy Evetts, Jack Fisher, Chan Greene, Joe Maio, and Tom Pusser are running the Division Advanced Unconventional Warfare School that Ron recently attended along with Corky Richards and Don Sawtelle.

I must close this article with the sad news of the death of David Hiester, here in Germany by automobile accident. His memorial will appear in a later issue of ASSEMBLY.



1961: Left to right, front row: Dale Campbell, Frank Gillesipe, Ralph Garens, Sgt. Maguire, George Hricz, Jock Nevins, Nick Gilbert, Hugh Vaughn. Back row: Joe Dahle, Glen Adams, Bob Potts, Dan Conner, Charlie Burns, Gabe Gabriel, Paul Vallyley.

# BEAT NAVY

## "Be Thou At Peace"

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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## Charles Lorenzo Maguire

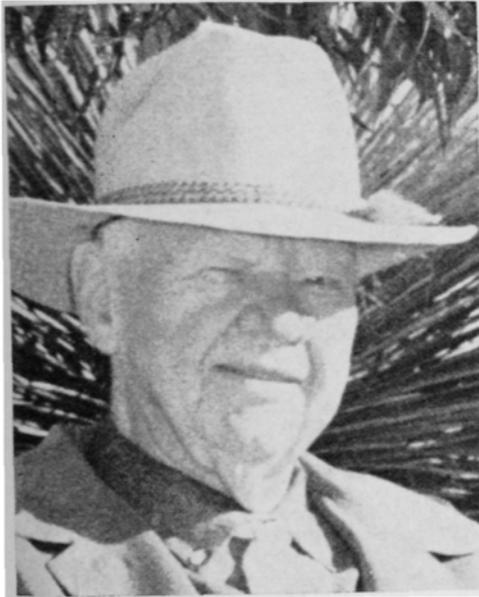
EX-CADET OF 1901

Died 28 December 1961 at Wickenburg, Arizona, aged 83 years.

EVERYONE KNEW his name was Charles L. Maguire, but hardly anyone in this little western town where he spent the last 15 years of his life ever called him that. Nor did we call him Mr. Maguire. To all of us, from the boy who delivered his paper, to the mayor, the manager of the bank, clerks, cowboys, and winter visitors, he was "The Squire." We used the appellation fondly and affectionately—and respectfully, too.

The Squire and Mrs. Maguire, who had spent several winter vacations in our resort town, built their own home here in 1947, and from then on played an important part in the life of the community.

Dozens of young couples live proudly and comfortably in their own homes because The Squire extended to them the necessary financial assistance. Many a business establishment has been able to expand through similar assistance.



The Maguires financed the Rancho de los Caballeros on the outskirts of Wickenburg, one of the largest and probably the best known of all the Southwest's guest ranches. His willingness to contribute substantially made possible the construction of the town's modern hospital; without him we would have no country club, no golf course. And just a year or so ago he and Mrs. Maguire built and presented to the congregation the beautiful St. Albans Episcopal Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Maguire were living in Indian River, Mich., in 1944 when they first spent a winter vacation at a guest ranch in the Wickenburg area. Then, and in subsequent winter visits, they developed a fondness for the town which led to their moving here in 1947.

Mr. Maguire was born 23 January 1878, in Keokuk, Iowa, the son of Robert Maguire who was at the time paymaster for the Des Moines Valley Railroad. When The Squire was only one year old the family moved to Milwaukee where his father became treasurer of the Wisconsin Central Railroad. It was there The Squire attended elementary school. When the railroad moved its general offices to Oak Park, Ill., the family followed,

and The Squire went to school there. Later the father was made treasurer of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad, and the family moved again, this time to Parsons, Kan. But after a year the railroad moved its office to St. Louis, Mo., and in that city The Squire attended and graduated from high school.

Following his graduation, he went to West Point. After two years of training, his interests turned to business and he decided to leave the Military Academy, a decision which was probably influenced to some extent by the fact that on a visit to his father's farm in Missouri, he received a powder burn in the eye during a Fourth of July celebration.

His first business experience was in the traffic department of the M.K. & T. Railroad in St. Louis. Eventually he was promoted and placed in charge of the railroad's terminal in Oklahoma City. Later he went to St. Paul, Minn., as manager of an oil jobbing firm, a position he held for 12 years. He then formed the Northland Oil Company, an oil brokerage firm with offices in St. Paul, Chicago, and New York City. He helped form and was an officer of the Western Oil Jobbers' Association, the Independent Oil Men of America, and the American Petroleum Institute.

Northland Oil Company later became the Roosevelt Oil Company, a firm in the business of producing, refining, and selling oil products. He remained active in this firm until his retirement in 1946. Roosevelt Oil has since merged with Midwest and Leonard Oil Companies and the concern is now known as Leonard Refineries, Inc. Mr. Maguire remained a stockholder until his death.

He and Mrs. Maguire, the former Sylvia Fasquelle, a native of Michigan, were married in 1936. She was at that time secretary of the Northland Oil Company.

Surviving are the widow and a daughter, Mrs. Loren Dunning of Carrizozo, N. Mex.

—John H. McCarroll, a friend

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## David McCandless McKell

NO. 4256 CLASS OF 1904

Died 10 January 1962 at Chillicothe, Ohio, aged 80 years.

DAVID McCANDLESS MCKELL was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, on 4 December 1881, the son of Joseph Scott and Helen McCandless McKell. After a youth spent in Chillicothe, David entered the USMA with the Class of 1904, where he soon displayed a cheerful, enthusiastic personality that endured throughout his life.

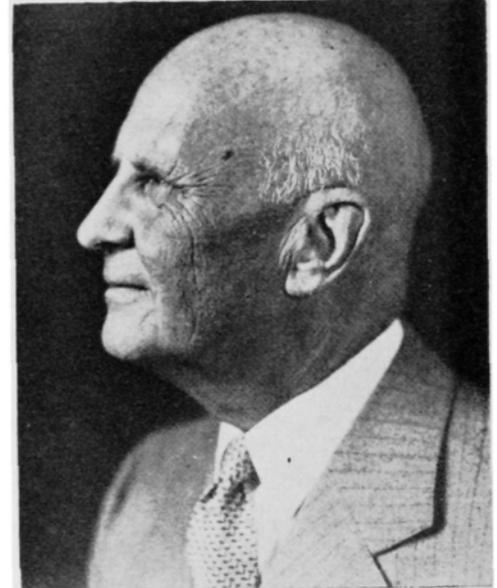
After graduation, he served in the Coast Artillery Corps at various stations, and was married on 9 October 1906 to Miss Edna McGinnis. Toward the end of World War I, he commanded the 12th Field Artillery of the 2d Division in action in France.

On 15 December 1922, he retired from active service and went to San Francisco, where he graduated from the San Francisco Law School, was admitted to the bar of the State of California, and established a law practice. During their stay in San Francisco, the McKells became a welcome focal point of hospitality for any member of 1904 passing through or near the city.

In 1938 David's mother and his brother Scott died in Chillicothe, and it became necessary for David to close up his law practice

in San Francisco and return to his hometown to attend to various family interests. There he began a long period of busy and useful activities, as president of Chillicothe Telephone Company, as an active member and one-time president of the Ross County Historical Society, and as an interested assistant in the development of the Chillicothe Branch of Ohio University. He held membership in the Sunset Club, the California Historical Society, the Ohio Historical Society, the Chillicothe Area Chamber of Commerce, the Rowfant Club of Cleveland, the Ohioana Society, and the Grolier Club of New York City. He was a fellow of the Morgan Library of New York City and a member of its council, and an "American Friend of the Bodleian Library" of Oxford, England. He was a past president of the Ohio Independent Telephone Association, and was the owner of one of the nation's finest collection of rare medieval manuscripts and children's books, which he had accumulated as a hobby.

An interesting incident of this period in which David figured prominently was a joint ceremony held on Memorial Day in 1957 in Chillicothe and at Fort Sill, Okla. On that day in Grandview Cemetery in Chillicothe a bronze plaque on the monument on the



grave of Brigadier General Joshua W. Sill (USMA 1853), in whose honor Fort Sill was named, was unveiled by Brigadier General R. R. Mace (USMA 1929), representing Major General T. E. de Shazo (USMA 1926), commanding general at Fort Sill. At the same time at Fort Sill, a monument on the site of the headquarters flagpole of the old Fort Sill was being dedicated to the memory of General Sill by the officers and men there. Colonel McKell was chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements at Chillicothe and was master of ceremonies at the dedication, where many dignitaries and organizations were present or represented in an impressive ceremony.

As a means of commemorating David's approaching 80th birthday anniversary, a committee of his friends in Chillicothe prepared to celebrate the event in a way appropriate to one of his major interests—book-collecting. A portfolio of letters from his many friends was prepared and presented to him on 4 December 1961. It was a complete surprise to David and was greatly appreciated by him.

About a month later, on 10 January 1962, David died suddenly, leaving, as survivors, his wife, a daughter, a son, 12 grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren. Burial was

at Grandview Cemetery in Chillicothe.

David was a faithful member of the Class of 1904. He attended our reunions at West Point whenever he could, and he will be sorely missed.

The following extract from an article which appeared in the *Chillicothe Gazette* on 11 January 1962, gives a fitting picture of the place David held in his home city:

"Colonel David McCandless McKell, whose death Wednesday at 80, will be widely mourned, was more than just one of Chillicothe's leading citizens. He was one of the community's leading lights. His infectious smile and boundless enthusiasm served to light the way to so many good things that have happened to this city and to some of its individuals as to defy number.

"His interest in and liking for people knew no bounds and was reflected in his cheery 'hellos,' his willingness to take part in every movement leading to a community good—his support of Chillicothe Branch of Ohio University and the Ross County Historical Society, to mention two of the better-known. His enthusiasm for a project could be as effective in rallying support as the financial aid he quietly might provide, many will recall.

"To the average Chillicothean, Colonel McKell's death means the loss of a civic benefactor who met all with cheery smile, the very antithesis of the storied man of financial substance who attempts to wrap his emotions in a cloak of gruff soberness. During his nearly 40 years residence here he reckoned most everyone at least a speaking acquaintance.

"To intimates with whom he shared his main interests, his passing is a deep personal loss. For them a shining light has gone out."

—William Bryden '04

Although Alvin's military career was rather brief, being terminated by his resignation on 26 January 1920, it included several interesting and unusual assignments. As a lieutenant and as a captain in the Corps of Engineers, from 1905 to 1917, his duties included both military and public works in the United States and the Philippine Islands, one such duty being connected with reconstruction in San Francisco following the great earthquake and fire of 1906. Soon after the United States entered World War I, he became a major and went to France with the Railway Commission. Most of his service in France, however, until after the Armistice, was with the General Staff, at General Headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces and at the headquarters of the First and Second Armies. Within a year he was promoted to colonel, Corps of Engineers, National Army.

From the end of January to early August 1919, he was in Paris with the American Relief Administration, in charge of transportation and distribution, under the direction of Herbert Hoover. Thereafter, until 1922, he was in Warsaw, Poland, as technical adviser



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**Alvin Barton Barber**

NO. 4343 CLASS OF 1905

Died 16 September 1961 at Sibley Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 78 years.

ALVIN BARBER, son of Sumner Joseph and Ellen Barton Barber, was born 19 May 1883, at Portland, Ore. The tall, handsome, and soldierly appearing young man who entered the Military Academy when he was barely 18 years of age had a cadet record which showed that he was a fine example of the complete man, and this conclusion was confirmed by his subsequent career. Academically, he graduated fifth in his class; militarily, he became a cadet captain; socially, he was a hop manager for three years; athletically, he won his "A" as a member and later captain of the fencing team, but he was also the pole vaulter on the class teams which won the Inter-Class Field Day competitions for four successive years. The most dangerous thing about him, according to a jest in the HOWITZER, was "the dignified pose he is in the habit of assuming in the section room when hard up for a tenth." In reality, however, his poise and calmness under stress were lifetime characteristics which always commanded the respect and admiration of his associates.

Alvin's family life was also complete, in that his happy marriage of 53 years duration was blessed with three sons and a daughter who reached adult years. On 20 August 1908, he married Lucy C. Lombardi, of Houston, Tex., who survived him, as did two of his sons and 12 grandchildren.

to the Polish Minister of Railways. It was during this period that he resigned from the Army. His work during and after World War I brought him citations from the AEF General Headquarters and decorations from the French, Finnish, and Polish governments.

Presumably, it was the efficiency of Alvin's work in France with the American Relief Administration and in Poland with the Minister of Railways which established his reputation as a transportation expert and led to his selection as manager of the Transportation and Communication Department of the United States Chamber of Commerce in 1923, the year after his return from Poland to the United States. This position he held for 25 years. For a time he was director of the national conference on street and highway safety, and he was an early advocate of the uniform motor vehicle code. After he left the Chamber of Commerce in 1948, he became a staff director on the National Resources Board and a consultant on transportation to the Office of Defense Mobilization.

His death came four years after his retirement in 1957. Burial was in Arlington National Cemetery. West Point is proud of its long list of graduates who have attained distinction in civil life, and high on this list stands the name of Alvin Barton Barber.

—A classmate

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**Lewis Hayes Watkins**

NO. 4535 CLASS OF 1907

Died 8 April 1962 at Jacksonville, Florida, aged 80 years.

LEWIS HAYES WATKINS was born in Nashville, Tenn., on 26 February 1882, second youngest of nine children. When he was five the family moved to Franklin, Tenn., where he grew up on the family farm. His mother perhaps sensed his superior ability and insisted on his having the best education then available. He attended the Battle Ground Academy where he studied, and played football on the team.

When he was 16, he saw some stereoptican pictures of West Point cadets and, from then on, his ardent wish was to go to the Academy. The family seem to have had little interest in a military career and they sent him to the University of the South at Sewanee, where he received the highest mark in mathematics ever given by his professor. His congressman offered him an appointment to Annapolis, but he held out for the Army and finally won a competitive examination and then left Sewanee to prepare for the West Point entrance examinations. He sent for books and coached himself, besides teaching at a country school to earn the small amount of money then required.

He entered West Point in June 1903, and started the four years which he never forgot. In some obscure way he acquired the name of "Jumbo" which stayed with him always, though it in no way describes his fine athletic physique. From the first he took a great interest in athletics, was on the football team, had a record in throwing the hammer, won the saber championship, went out for track and pole-vaulting, and finally won the sword as the best athlete in his class. In his studies he did well; and to quote the 1907 HOWITZER: "... Mr. Watkins does it that way" became the go and do likewise of the 1st Section.

Jumbo was successively corporal, 1st sergeant, and adjutant, and the four years remained in his mind as the epitome of all he had wished for. In his last years he often talked of West Point and the ideals of Duty, Honor, Country he had acquired there. In 1907 he graduated fourth in his class, and was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers in which he served for 37 years with a number of details on the General Staff.

In 1915, while a student at the Engineer School, now Fort McNair, he met and married Miss Ruth Bliss, who survives him.

Jumbo requested a detail to the Leavenworth School, not then considered as desirable as it later became, and graduated at the top of his class.

A year on the Mexican border was followed by World War I, and Jumbo returned to Leavenworth as senior instructor in the 1st Training Camp. The Engineer Battalion of Texas was under his command and these men, with the other Texans of the Leon Springs Training Camp, are the only ones who have perpetuated themselves by yearly reunions. Though Jumbo was regarded as a stern disciplinarian, the members of the Texas Company were devoted to him and many wrote to him through the years and urged his attendance at the reunions, though he was never able to go.

He was asked for in France in October 1917 by General H. B. Fiske, and when the

First Army was formed he became assistant chief of staff with General Hugh Drum as chief. Jumbo and Ralph Ward, USMA 1904, were assigned the hush-hush job of making plans for the attack on St. Mihiel and for these plans and those of the Meuse-Argonne, Jumbo was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. He reached the temporary rank of colonel but returned to major some months after the Armistice.

While he was an instructor at Leavenworth in 1920, Jumbo's pupils were mostly older and higher ranking officers.

In 1926 a detail to the Naval War College was supposed to be in preparation for a tour in War Plans of the General Staff, but the Chief of Engineers urged his return to the Corps and assigned him to Chattanooga, Tenn.

In the next four years Jumbo did his hardest work and completed the survey of the Tennessee River which was sent to Congress by the Chief with the comment that it was the most complete ever made on navigation, flood control, and power. Jumbo always con-

the letter. To sum up he was never a yes-man."

Jumbo loved the Army and West Point, and though his stations did not allow him to see much of his classmates, he was always delighted to see any who dropped in. The 40th Reunion, and particularly the 50th of 1907, were the big events of his later years and he had hoped to attend the 55th.

Hard work on the problem at hand made up Jumbo's chief interest in life and the belief he was doing something worth while for his country.

After his retirement he and Ruth bought a small place on the St. Johns River 10 miles south of Jacksonville, and here they spent 18 years. The small orange grove was a pleasure and a pride though he would never commercialize it. Many pleasant friends, unfortunately diminishing as the years passed, made up his life; failing health and strength were a difficult cross to bear. He died very suddenly and quite unexpectedly on 8 April and was buried in Arlington on a rainy 12 April with seven or eight of his classmates attending.

The monument on his grave bears the castle, symbol of the Engineer Corps and, after his name and dates, "USMA 1907."

—R. B. W.

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### Norton Meade Beardslee

NO. 4773 CLASS OF 1909

Died 23 December 1961 at the US Naval Hospital, San Diego, California, aged 74 years.

NORTON MEADE BEARDSLEE was born 3 July 1887 at Elmira, N.Y. His parents may have felt that their son was destined to seek a career in the military service of the United States, as they proudly gave him a middle name of Meade in honor of a friend of his grandfather... that intrepid commander of the Union forces 3 July 1863 at the Battle of Gettysburg—Major General George G. Meade, USMA 1835.

Meade Beardslee entered West Point 15 June 1905 and quickly showed himself to be earnest, cooperative, and friendly. Cadet Beardslee, affectionately known as "Slew," was from the first day to the last day definitely successful. Scholastically and militarily he finished high. He was an excellent center on the basketball team, and a participant in almost all fields of cadet endeavor, including the social. Gifted with a contagious laugh and a pleasing sense of humor, Slew never seemed to tire of stories and jokes and just plain fellowship with his many friends.

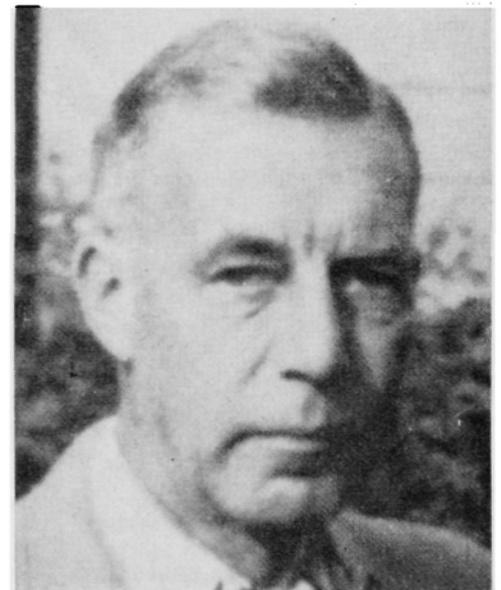
Unfortunately, Slew's military career was cut short in 1920 by his forced retirement, due to physical disability. After graduation he served diligently in the CAC and QMC until retirement, and then in the business world. But let his beloved daughter, Betty Beardslee Dunn (Mrs. Charles B. Dunn III), tell us in her own delightful way about her father's life in the Army and his long (but all too short) years of retirement with his devoted family and friends. Here is his daughter's letter in full.

Daddy's greatest forte was people, manifested by his fun-loving, hospitable nature and fulfilled by Mother's ease in being a natural hostess and divine cook.

From the early 1920's when he retired and we came to Pacific Beach, Calif., I remember an almost weekly gathering of

friends from near and far enjoying the warmth of good food, drink, and companionship. A charming backyard patio centered around the little brick barbecue he built, which yielded throughout the summers many a succulent meal at Mother's hands, enhanced oftentimes by Daddy's own homemade 'nut-brown ale'—this was long before the days of general and commercialized al fresco entertaining.

His pleasure in such gatherings was always greatest when the guests included old Army friends and classmates—two of the latter, Mike Kelly and Tony Moss, having been in command at Fort Rosecrans. Mike and Mary Kelly were the sparks of many happy evenings and I recall vividly Mike's all-points bulletin to members of the class: "If you want a warm welcome and a wonderful time, drop in on the Slew Beardslees!" Many the night I was lulled to sleep by the resounding choruses of "Army Blue" and "Benny Havens Oh", and among voices I remember were those not only of the aforementioned, but also those of Matt Ridgway (Mother's



sidered this his greatest achievement. When the TVA was formed, several years later, the dams were largely placed as on this survey and Jumbo was the chief witness for the Government in a suit brought by the power companies.

Command of the 1st Engineers at Fort Dupont, Del., was marked by the moving of four or five large officers' quarters from the abandoned fort at Fort Mott, N. J., to Fort Dupont across four miles of the Delaware River. This was accomplished by using Navy barges and entirely by soldier labor. This was considered quite a feat and these quarters are still in use by the state institution which replaced the Army at Fort Dupont.

A tour in Jacksonville, Fla., was followed by his appointment as Corps Engineer of the V and later VI Corps and, after Pearl Harbor, General Drum asked for him on the Staff of the First Army at Governors Island. Unfortunately, he was too old to go abroad and was retired with a thousand other over-age colonels in March 1944.

An officer who had served under Jumbo several times thus summed up his characteristics: "The Colonel was a man with a strong sense of right and duty. He would give his superiors his honest recommendations as to any policy or course of action even though he knew such recommendations might not be welcome. However, when he received orders or instructions he would carry them out to

brother), Harry Chamberlain, Tupper Cole, and d'Alary Fechet.

Not-too-serious golf, very serious crossword puzzles, and swimming were his hobbies, the latter being his favorite throughout the years. The house in Pacific Beach was near Mission Bay and in the early days we enjoyed our own, practically-private swimming hole, where Daddy taught me to swim and to love it as much as he.

When in 1949 he and Mother had to flee the encroachment of progress(?) on their Beach home and moved inland to the country near Chula Vista, they bought a sweet old farmhouse with the ideal patio-barbecuing area. There their hospitality continued. The "old swimming-hole" was replaced by the then almost one and only private swimming pool—a magnificent one owned by a delightful contemporary of his. Daddy, having always loved the ladies and swimming, took such pleasure in a daily swim with the gals—comprised of all ages, from his granddaughter to those his own age. It was my joy to pick him up nearly every noon, even when due to his health his dips became limited to five minutes, punctuated by "Brrr, it's freezing!" even though the water was 82 degrees. He reveled in the kidding that always evoked, and then was quite content to sit while I did my extra laps, and to amuse the girls, young and old, with appropriate bon mots and quips!

Slew, as he was known to everyone except to his sister and me, derived that nickname from a serious concern on the part of his classmates at West Point as to the length of his feet. In 1909, little did any of them realize that he was to become the patriarch of a family, not large in numbers but decidedly so in stature: I, his only daughter, five feet nine inches; a granddaughter, five feet ten inches; a grandson, six feet four and one-half inches; and a great-grandson, three feet six inches at the age of three. (As to shoes, few except the great-grandson could slip into Slew's.) But, far from being overwhelmed, much of his happiness—and ours—came from the fact that we all lived nearby and saw him nearly every day.

The physical pattern of his life was certainly governed by his frail health. Nothing short of that could have persuaded him to retire from his beloved Army or later to relinquish a fine position as assistant manager of Hunter, Dulin & Co., an investment firm, and ultimately to give up even his hobbies and recreations. However, his spirit adhered steadfastly to all he loved best—Mother, his family and home, and far from the least, his devotion to country and The Corps.

The last two years of his life, his greatest and almost sole pleasure was a daily drive with Mother behind the wheel—an absolute must. Sometimes it was just a tour of the countryside and sometimes there was a definite mission, such as the day shortly before his final illness, when they attended a review at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, commanded by our good friend, General "Brute" Krulak. As the review ended, Daddy called the aide over to the car and, with deep emotion, thanked him for his courtesy and said, "I want you to know that this was the finest parade and the most stirring band I have seen and heard since I left West Point." The finest tribute he could have paid them.

—Betty Beardslee Dunn  
—W. A. R. '09

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## Thomas DeWitt Milling

NO. 4813 CLASS OF 1909

Died 26 November 1960 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 73 years.

MY CREDENTIALS for authoring this tribute to Tom Milling for ASSEMBLY stems from the close association of our Plebe and Yearling years when he, Stuart Godfrey, and I shared a room in the 5th Div of the old barracks—the only barracks there was in those primitive days—and a lifelong friendship that endured for a half century thereafter, with only an occasional joint operation. One of these took place in the late summer of 1911 when the intrepid pioneer aviator took me aloft as a not-so-intrepid passenger in his Wright-Burgess "pusher type" biplane crate. After reviewing, for the writing of this sketch, the record of Tom's early experiences in flying, I marvel that he was successful in maneuvering plane and occupants to a safe return to terra firma—thereby sparing our class president and sometime roommate the painful chore of writing the first two obituaries for the Class of 1909.

Tom's West Point apprenticeship, like that of most of us, was undistinguished in the athletic, scholarship, and military efficiency fields, but, quite unlike most of us, he did attain modest prominence in social, theatrical,

and horsemanship circles. Even as a Plebe his native talent for meeting the awesome (to many of us) challenges of the dance floor and P.S. lists was noted and approved, as attested by his election as hop manager just prior to our acceptance into society as Yearlings. Early also came his induction into theatricals, as represented by the Hundredth Night productions in which he matriculated as a chorus girl and graduated as a star. His preeminence in horse and polo circles had to endure the delays incident to getting his less bridewise classmates qualified in the fundamentals of staying aboard of and managing their GI mounts; but, long before graduation, Tom was demonstrating in highest degree the skills required in an officer of the once potent arm in which he was commissioned, and which his subsequent achievements in another field were destined to hurry toward obsolescence and oblivion. At the end of graduation leave 2d Lieutenant Milling reported for his first duty as a commissioned officer to the 15th Cavalry at Fort Leavenworth, but his service with the horse soldiers was brief. An even more glamorous career



beckoned and the enterprising and adventurous spirit of the young Cavalryman was quick to respond.

Since 1909 the Signal Corps had been intrigued by the potential usefulness of the Wright brothers' recently invented contraption for reconnaissance purposes, and in 1911 Congress appropriated \$150,000 to be spent on exploiting the possibilities of the invention. At that time our entire air service was comprised of one Wright biplane and a detachment of nine enlisted men under Lieutenant Benny Foulois stationed at Fort Sam Houston. The loosening of the Government purse strings provided the funds for establishing the first Aviation School at College Park, Md., and six officers were selected from volunteers to take flying instruction. Tom was one of these early birds; and, in late April 1911, he and 2d Lieutenant Henry H. Arnold, 29th Infantry, reported at the Wright factory at Dayton, Ohio, for instruction in the construction, maintenance, and operation of the new-fangled flying machine, whose fantastically mutated descendants would change the face of war some 30 years hence.

The two embryo flyers were apt pupils and at College Park in early July they qualified for the much-prized "aviator" certificate. A little over a year later they received the later-instituted "expert aviator" diplomas

(Milling, No. 3, and Arnold, No. 4), but long before that they were making almost weekly copy for the press by setting new records of one kind or another and making significant additions to the fast-growing list of "firsts" in aviation. Among those credited to Tom Milling is one for making the first night landing by an Army officer (on 4 September 1911), and one for establishing the official endurance record for 1911 on 25 September by keeping his biplane in the air for 1 hour, 54 minutes and 42 seconds. The night landing rates a brief elaboration since it was a dramatically extempore and unpremeditated climax to the widely heralded Tri State cross-country race in which Tom finished first in the biplane class over top civilian flyers. It was a grueling contest that used up the daylight hours; complete darkness enveloped the home field as Tom, the sole finisher in his class, approached it. Flares shot up from the field led him to it, and the spectators, by turning on their automobile headlights, gave him sufficient illumination to make a safe landing.

The instructional and barnstorming activities of the pioneer military aviators were supplemented by much experimental flying in which the experimenter staked limb and life to learn tricks of the trade that would pay off in perfected skills that saved early flyer lives—including their own. The catalog of flying field names honors the losers in the high stake gamble with Fate. Tom had his full share of close calls and his survival testifies to his early mastery of flying techniques and his native talent for reacting instinctively, swiftly, and intelligently in an airborne crisis.

Tom was particularly active in devising and carrying out tests of equipment that offered possibilities for adaption to military use. He pioneered in the fields of air photography, air mapping, and in airborne machine gunfire. Very early in the game he piloted the plane that tested the Scott bombsight from a height of 600 feet using 25-pound bombs, an experiment that whipped up a lively interest in the applicability and effective use of aerial bombing in the armed forces of the leading nations of Europe—especially France and Germany.

In an article on his early flying experiences, which appeared in the January 1956 issue of *The Air Power Historian*, Tom sums up the achievements in aviation under the Signal Corps through December 1913 as follows: "Since the purchase of the first airplane in 1909, 23 others had been bought, nine had been destroyed in accidents and 15 remained in service; 11 officers and one non-commissioned had qualified as pilots and nine students were undergoing instruction. This was a small cadre for meeting the expansion needs for war—and war clouds were already forming on the European horizon. But, while we were short in numbers of trained personnel and in quantity and quality of equipment, we were not too short in experience. We were laying the foundation in training technique and operational procedures."

No one had more to do with nursing our infant Air arm through its early post-natal afflictions and handicaps than Tom Milling. His leading role in that considerable accomplishment was recognized by his assignment as director of flight training for the War Department in 1916. Our entry into the war and the establishment of the AEF took Tom overseas to become chief of the air service training section of its general staff, and in

1918 he was given command of the aviation units in the Toul Sector. At the end of the war he was chief of staff for First Army Aviation with the rank of colonel, for which service he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

For Tom the years following the Armistice that ended the war-to-end-wars were years of frustration as well as achievement. During the roaring twenties, when the roars of the advocates of a strong military posture were drowned in the cheers for unrealistic peace pacts, our unilateral disarmament gestures, and readily violated treaties to curtail and limit major rearmament projects, the prophetic utterances of the advocates of enhanced air power were voices crying in the wilderness. As chief of operations for the Air Service and in other capacities, Tom was in the forefront of the young Turks of the wild blue yonder who supported Billy Mitchell in his obstreperous campaign for a separate and greatly expanded Air Force. Convinced of the vast and varied capabilities of the new weapon whose potential they knew from their work in furthering it, these ardent devotees of air power may have wanted too much too soon, but it took less than two decades to justify their prophetic contentions and acclaim their vision.

Unfortunately for the service to which he was dedicated, the cause for which he carried a flaming torch, and for his own brilliantly promising career, Tom contracted tuberculosis and was retired for physical disability in 1933. Granted the well-known operational vagaries of the fortunes of war, we who have knowledge of Tom Milling's abilities, character, and achievements in aviation need not put too much restraint on our speculations on the altitude 1909's foremost flyer might have attained in World War II.

As it was, Tom, who had been promoted to brigadier general on the retired list in 1940, was recalled to active duty in 1942 and served until 1946 on the War Department War Decorations Board and Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Tom continued to live in Washington after his second retirement. His interest in all that had been a part of his life—West Point, the Army, the burgeoning developments in air power and aircraft design, family, friends—was sustained; but his activities, especially toward the end, were curtailed by declining health and recurrent illness. His wife Peggy, his daughter Gayly, and two grandchildren are left to carry the main burden of the sorrow that word of his death brought to many.

That word marked the passing of one of the last of the pioneer pilots of military aircraft who survived the hazards of man's early ventures in the conquest of the air. To aviation history buffs, it brought memories of Tom Milling's material contributions to the growth and development of the new science. To the diminishing cohorts of 1909 and his choice associates in the service to which he dedicated his life, it brought other memories—less significant for the record but more revealing of the classmate and friend who would come no more to enliven the reunions where we oldtimers sometimes cavort in not too successful attempts to recapture the spirit of our younger days.

It savors of trite sentiment to say it, but when you took off on the Big Flight, Tom, your ethereal ship carried an overload of wishes for a Happy Landing.

—Forrest Harding

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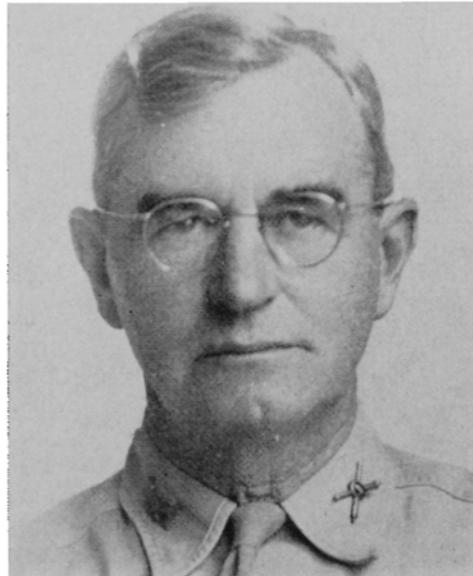
## Franklin Kemble

NO. 4960 CLASS OF 1911

Died 8 April 1962 at Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, aged 75 years.

UNDAUNTED ON 15 JUNE 1907 by the sudden and unexpected rigors of Beast Barracks at the Military Academy at West Point, Franklin Kemble calmly looked on life and its varied experiences with a tolerant eye and an amused understanding. Of serious mien when the circumstances called for gravity, always his eyes lighted with pleasure when gravity lessened. Like Mike Murray, Kem was a man of infinite jest and as highly appreciative of the humorous incidents of life as of the serious.

He was born in Mount Carmel, Pa., 19 July 1886, son of Isaac and Matilda Bickel Kemble, and the youngest of seven children—five boys and two girls. His father was a civil engineer and a school teacher and in later years owner and editor of the *Mount Carmel Item*. Graduated from the Mount



Carmel High School, after local grade school work, Franklin was valedictorian of his class. Later he attended Phillips Exeter Academy in Exeter, N.H., until appointed to the Military Academy from which he was graduated 13 June 1911. Though only 13 of the graduates of the Class of 1911 were older, Franklin Kemble was as youthful as the youngest, and as ready as the next for prankish stunts. Graduated 25th in 1911's 82, he was assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps, to which branch he remained attached throughout his military career.

In 1909, he met Ethel, born in San Francisco and the daughter of Lillian and Sumner Miller Smyser, and they were married 29 June 1911. Franklin Jr., born 8 April 1912, was the Class Cup Boy. Frank and Ethel celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary last year shortly after his attendance at the 50th Reunion of his class at West Point. At reunion time, Kem had not been too well and a friend, Dr. A. H. Wilson of Susquehanna University, drove him to the reunion, where all were delighted to see them both.

During the 35 years from the receipt of his Army commission until retirement 31 July 1946, he had varied service in many places, most of them Coast Artillery stations in the Philippines and Hawaii and along the eastern seaboard from Maine to Florida. But there

were also three years as a student at Service schools, nearly five years on National Guard duty in Wilmington, N.C., and several on recruiting in Harrisburg in his home state. He served in France in World War I from September 1918 to April 1919, and at West Point from 1920 to 1924. His final active service was at Fort Barrancas, Fla., from 1942 to 1946. A patient at Valley Forge Army Hospital in early 1946, he was retired for physical disability. His decorations were: the World War I Victory Medal, the American Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

In his later years, he and Ethel lived happily and quietly in their Selinsgrove home, where she continues to reside. He was a life member of Geist-Berkanski Post, No. 90, A.L., and belonged to Lodge No. 378, F&AM, both in Mount Carmel. He was also a member of William MaClay Chapter, S.A.R., of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, of the Snyder County Historical Society, of the Dauntless Hook and Ladder Fire Company of Selinsgrove, and of the MooHollow Rod and Gun Club. In the last-named club, Kem gave up his membership a few years ago so that a younger man might join.

Shortly after the reunion at West Point in 1961, he and Ethel made a trip to Fort Lewis to visit their son, Colonel Franklin Kemble, Jr., who commanded the Mt. Rainier Ordnance Depot. Back in Pennsylvania, Kem wrote me in November telling of the trip, giving serious information on Max Murray, who had died in September, and cheerily commenting on other subjects. It was the last letter from a valued friend of over 50 years.

His death from heart failure came at his home in Selinsgrove on 8 April 1962, his son's 50th birthday. Kem would have been 76 in July. Services were held in Selinsgrove the evening of 10 April. A spray of red roses, which Ethel said he had always loved, came from his classmates. Final rites and burial were on the 11th at West Point where he had spent many happy years. Survivors are his wife; his son; a granddaughter, Anne Stuart Kemble; and two sisters, Lydia and Laura Kemble of Mount Carmel.

Those who knew Franklin Kemble will remember him as one who added serious thought but also keen wit to any conversation, who entered cheerily and with friendly understanding into a bull session, who was sympathetic to another's ideas though contrary to his own, and who was as solid and dependable as his own Pennsylvania hills.

—H. F. N. '11

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## John Griffeth Booton

NO. 4966 CLASS OF 1911

Died 19 May 1961 in Chelsea Naval Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, aged 74 years.

THERE ARE those men who, through some special refinement of spirit, can look on the faults of others and see them clearly, but refrain from criticism; who look on the virtues of each man they meet with an eye to the potential good that could come of them; who look upon those who show talent with honest admiration and the heartfelt wish that what is worthy will succeed. There are not many men like that, but there are some. Such a man was John Booton.

He was born in Illinois on 1 February 1887, the son of John and Louisa Price

Booton, in the small town of DeLong, in prosperous farming country. His mother had been a school teacher, and he received his first few years of schooling under her supervision. Later they moved to nearby Abingdon, where he completed his high-school education. In the summer of 1906 he entered West Point. There he did ably with his studies with the exception of French. He was, therefore, turned back at the end of his Plebe year, reentering with the Class of 1911. While in the Corps he had many close friends in both classes, and always felt a deep loyalty to both.

After graduation he was sent to Fortress Monroe as an "Incubate" at the Coast Artillery School. His first post was Fort Hancock, N. J. During his station there, on a blind date, he met Gertrude Vedder Vermilye, the daughter of an old New York family, who was visiting the post. They were married at her home in New York on 11 July 1912, the beginning of a long and happy union which continued for nearly 50 years.

In 1915, as a second lieutenant, he returned to West Point as an instructor of Ordnance. General Tschappat, then Professor of Ordnance, in the preface to his text book, "Ordnance and Gunnery," thanked Lieutenant Booton with other young officers for their assistance in compiling the material for his book. During the early part of World War I, while conducting an Ordnance school at Rock Island Arsenal for temporary officers, he found when this mention was discovered it added greatly to his importance in the opinion of his pupils, who had to study the text book.

Later in World War I he built and operated Erie Proving Ground, Ohio. After the war he served as a member and later as chairman of the Ordnance Section of the War Department Claims Board, and as executive officer for General C.C. Williams, Chief of Ordnance. From Washington he went to Boston in 1924 as the executive officer of the District Ordnance Office. A tour of duty in Hawaii followed, 1930-32, as Ordnance Officer of the Hawaiian Division at Schofield Barracks on the staff of General Winans, and later at the Ordnance Depot in Honolulu. Upon his return he was chief of the Artillery Ammunition Division at Frankford Arsenal, where he developed the mechanical time fuse. He contributed articles to *Army Ordnance* on contracts and mechanical fuses. He held several patents. He was then sent to Washington in 1935 as chief of the Ammunition Division of the Technical Staff of the Chief of Ordnance. From 1939-42 he was in command of San Antonio Arsenal, and directed the construction of the Baytown Ordnance Works. In World War II he served as Ordnance Officer for the Eastern Defense Command and First Army at the headquarters at Governors Island, N.Y., on the staffs of General Drum, General Grunert, and General Terry. On this duty he was responsible for the Ordnance installations from Newfoundland to Nassau.

He received the degree of Master of Business Administration from the Graduate School of Harvard in 1927. He was a charter member, an honorary member, and life member of the Army Ordnance Association. He was a past-president of the West Point Society of Northern New England and the Boston Chapter of the American Statistical Society. While he was president of the Boston West Point Society his interest in the work for the restoration as a museum of Sylvanus Thayer's

birthplace in Braintree was started and continued until his death.

Although Colonel Booton retired in 1947 after 36 years of service, he did not in truth retire at all. The next few years were spent with Hollingsworth and Whitney, one of Boston's oldest and largest paper manufacturers. Following that he was a consultant at Watertown Arsenal. These were his formal occupations. The hours that he enjoyed the most were those he spent with Gertrude in their handsome old brownstone on Beacon Street. There he refinished to breathtaking beauty many pieces of antique furniture, including marquetry. He collected fire arms, antique clocks, and oil paintings of nationally and internationally known artists of the turn of the century. The last he reclaimed and restored. He was ambidexterous, with adroit strong hands. He was a perfectionist. A meticulous man, who could do anything—carefully, slowly, thoughtfully, expertly. He was an expert marksman, and through the years he never lost his skill. His fiddle was another joy. He would wander from one room to another of the house with its high ceilings,



his fiddle on his shoulder, accompanying himself as he sang old folk songs or lyrics from Hundredth Night shows.

He was a natural mechanic. He once bought an old Hupmobile, the runabout type . . . this was in 1912. . . and each winter when the road between Fort Hancock and the Jersey shore was washed out he dismantled the car, taking the chassis and the engine separately to the top floor of the Booton quarters. There he spent many happy hours exploring the engine. When spring arrived, down the Hup would come again, to perform splendidly until the following fall.

His was a warm and understanding personality, with an ever-abiding talent for listening, displaying genuine interest, putting others at their ease and at their best. His steady dark eyes would twinkle in sly humor whenever he related, straight faced, one of his thousands of amusing stories, or delivered a quick and witty quip. That in his quiet way he had a fund of knowledge, both technical and artistic, one had to discover for oneself. He spent his life acquiring information and keeping up to date by reading technical books and magazines. His wisdom, strength, and courage, mixed with humor and tolerance endeared him to all who came in contact with him.

A note of condolence to Mrs. Booton at the

time of Colonel Booton's death, from General Earl McFarland epitomizes the qualities his family and friends remember. Quoted in part it reads:

"I have spent many hours with John. Most of them were work hours, and serious, but in spite of odds he continued to maintain his bright outlook and his cheerful smile. These happy characteristics of his helped me through many hours that would otherwise have been dreary and dull, and I have remembered them in my retirement as priceless recollections of a very fine, sensitive, superior man and officer. I shall miss him sorely."

Another letter from George Levenback, the President of the West Point Society of New England, says:

"It is not my place to eulogize, but I hope you may take some comfort from the fact that John got from life something that too many do not. He loved the Army, he loved West Point, and he served them both throughout his life."

He leaves his wife, Gertrude, of 267 Beacon Street, Boston 16, Mass.; his son John, a graduate of MIT and an industrial engineer, who lives with his family in northern New Jersey; his daughter Mary, who is Mrs. William K. Titherington, of "Northwood," Litchfield, Conn.; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

No one can ever take the place of this fine husband, father, and friend. A thoughtful man, just and firm in his ethics, he was so much to so many.

He rests near the old West Point Chapel in the cemetery at West Point.

—Written in loving tribute by his family

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## Charles Chester Dickinson

EX-CADET OF 1911

Died 24 May 1962 in Chico, California,  
aged 73 years.

ON 15 JUNE 1907, entering West Point with 150 others of the Class of 1911 was Charles Chester Dickinson, one of the youngest members of that class, being but six weeks past his 17th birthday. He was my pal and tentmate in Plebe Camp and my roommate that fall in a four-bed room in the old 8th Division, along with Harry Keeley and Fred Gilbreath.

Born in Avondale, then a close-in suburb of Chicago, on 20 April 1889, son of Carlton and Melvina Dickinson, of New York and Pennsylvania, his education had been in the grade schools of Park Ridge and the high school of Des Plaines. If Ches had not been in the hectic atmosphere of that 8th Division "barn room," where concentration during study or any other hours was difficult, the writer sincerely believes he would have successfully completed his four cadet years instead of our grieving with him on his sad departure from us that Christmas of 1907. However, despite that bitter blow, Dick went on to a long life of service to his fellow man.

In the fall of 1908, he entered the University of Illinois College of Physicians and Surgeons. After being graduated in 1912, he interned at the Southern Pacific Hospital in San Francisco, was resident and on the staff there until 1914, and was a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. On 23 April 1914, he was married in Des Plaines to his high school days sweetheart, Ivo G. Watts.

She accompanied Ches, as she called him, to McCloud, just southeast of Mt. Shasta in northern California, where he had been called to fill a vacancy in the hospital for the McCloud River Lumber Company. There they spent many busy, useful and happy years.

He became chief surgeon of the big lumber town hospital and through the years was known and loved over a wide area. But his service there was interrupted and on 12 November 1917, at the Presidio of San Francisco, he was assigned as a first lieutenant, Medical Corps, to Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. He served overseas from 25 October 1918, to 1 February 1919, participating in the Longres Defensive Sector and earning the World War I Victory Medal.

After his overseas duty, he returned with Ivo to McCloud where he continued his practice and hospital work until retired in 1952, after decades of selfless and devoted service to the hospital and the McCloud community. They then lived in Chico, where their son, Charles Jr., who operates a large walnut ranch, had built a home for his par-



ents. He, born in Oakland on 16 February 1924, was married in 1943 to Ruehannah Miskella in Tampa. They have two girls, Charlotte Ann and Janice Ann, 13 and 9. Dick suffered ill health from 1959 until his death, but was ever a staunch soldier and uncomplaining as was his faithful wife. There were simple services at the Memorial Chapel in Mt. Shasta (town) with the Rev. Thomas F. Kerr of the McCloud Presbyterian Community Church in charge. Scores of long-time friends were there to pay homage to a heart-warming, kind, able and sincere man, who in every way through many years of dedicated service to others showed himself a true son of West Point. Interment was in Mt. Shasta Memorial Park, in that beautiful section of California which he knew and loved so well.

One who had worked closely with Charles Dickinson over the years said of him:

"He was gentle, he was kind, and he was always available to those in need. He will be so remembered by a host of friends. He left his mark upon the community which he served so long and so well.

"Dr. Dickinson came to McCloud before World War I; he left to serve his country as a medical officer, returning to McCloud after the war. From then until his retirement

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in 1952, he gave his life to the people of McCloud.

"The memories which we cherish of a good man are the highest praise we can pay. How many stories can be told of his quiet devotion to a high calling! Dr. Dickinson's years of medical practice spanned a great era, from the Model T to the jet age."

-H. F. N. '11

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### Ernest Frederick Miller

NO. 5316 CLASS OF 1915

Died 26 October 1956 at Mexico City, Mexico, aged 65 years.

"He knew what's what and that's as high As metaphysic wit can fly—"

THESE LINES from Samuel Butler's "Hudibras," quoted beside Ike Miller's portrait in the HOWITZER, summed up appropriately the character and qualities of a man respected and loved by those of us who were graduated with him from the Academy in June 1915.

For his was a brilliant and analytical mind that carried him to the fourth highest rating in our class, served him admirably throughout World War I, and brought him success and achievement in the business world after he retired from military service in 1919.

A star man, he nevertheless disdained the boning for tenths that many others lower and higher on the class general merit list worked at so zealously. And with the typical cadet mockery that characterized the text of the 1915 HOWITZER, it was observed that Ike was a "chronic deadbeat" and a man with an inborn love for directing other people's work. But, the HOWITZER went on to say, "Damn it, gentlemen, you can't help liking the little devil." The HOWITZER attributed that affectionate remark to a classmate, Dwight D. Eisenhower, who elsewhere in the book was subjected to a similarly impudent character analysis.

But few of those in the 1914-1915 Senior year at the Academy really knew the amount of his own precious free time Dutch Miller—we knew him alternately as Ike and as Dutch—gave up to help classmates less adept at academic studies than he. Twice a year, before the writs had to be passed if we were to escape exams, the fellows would come around and ask Ike to explain problems with which they were having difficulty. Particularly in the math courses, he had a knack of explaining simply and quickly the most taxing questions.

Never much preoccupied with dating girls, Ike was one of the last in the class to marry. But he liked to eat and could always be counted on to show up at least four times a year at the feed hops where refreshments were served.

Born 23 January 1891 to Elise Hinterman Miller and Henry Miller at Calmar, Iowa, Ike Miller came to the Academy in 1911 as an appointee from the Fourth Iowa Congressional District, after two years at the University of Iowa. Upon graduation from the Military Academy, he served with the US Corps of Engineers, first along the Mexican border and later in France with the American Expeditionary Forces. He was among the first American officers to go overseas with the 1st Division in World War I.

He left military service in January 1919 as a lieutenant colonel in the Corps of Engineers, a rank achieved by few of his

classmates in that same short span of years.

After resigning his commission in 1919, Ike went to work for a year with Bethlehem Steel Company, and from 1920 until 1942 was associated with Westinghouse Electric Corporation's international activities.

In 1924, Westinghouse sent him to Mexico City as general manager of its Mexico branch and 10 years later he was made vice president. In Mexico he met and married Ethel de Villafranca on 29 December 1930.

In 1942, he became general manager of American Steel Export Mexicana, serving in this capacity until 1947. From 1948 until 1955, he was with Agencias Farmaceuticas in Mexico City.

Ike and his wife built a beautiful home at Cuernavaca for their family of two daughters and a son—Joan, now 25; Richard Henry, now 24; and Marcia Elise, now 15. The eldest daughter, now Mrs. Joan van Werkhoven, resides in New York City, and Richard Henry Miller is a lieutenant stationed at the Letterkenny Ordnance Depot at Chambersburg, Pa., where his younger sister also resides.



Until Ike's marriage, former classmates saw little of him at the 1915 class reunions, but after 1930 he returned to the United States regularly for the five-year class get-togethers. After his wife's death on 28 January 1948, Ike never returned to the Academy for the reunion festivities. He retired in 1955 and died in Mexico City 26 October 1956, of cirrhosis of the liver.

-J.T.M., a classmate

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### Robert Reese Neyland, Jr.

NO. 5504 CLASS OF 1916

Died 23 March 1962 at New Orleans, Louisiana, aged 70 years.

SOMETIMES A MAN'S SUCCESSES in his chosen fields of endeavor shine so brightly that, to the world, his basic attributes are little known. Such a man was Robert R. Neyland, Jr., born an intellectual, disciplined a brilliant scholar, blessed with physical attributes, and trained to be an almost perfect athlete. His accomplishments both as a student and as a soldier will be recorded in the annals of military history. His record as the most successful major football coach in the history of the game will long be remembered. We

who knew him, worked with or for him, or played under him, look with pride on his military and coaching records. But it was not these aspects of Robert Neyland's life that filled our thoughts when we realized that he was lost to us. The world knew well what a brilliant mind he had, but his associates and former students knew also what a friend he could be. We appreciated his capabilities and fairness, loved his honesty, strove for his respect, but above all else, treasured his friendship.

Few men's lives touched as many facets with success as did the life of Bob Neyland. He was born to greatness—a stunningly handsome man, striking in every way, with charm, a gracious manner, and always a gentleman. As a cadet he was an excellent football player, and for three years was heavy-weight boxing champion of the Academy. However, his greatest athletic fame was gained in baseball, where he won 35 of the 40 games he pitched, 21 of them in a row. Not once did he taste defeat at the hands of the Navy.

Early in life, he learned self-discipline, became a perfectionist with an analytical mind, and thereby a great student, athlete, soldier, and the greatest football coach of all time. It would appear that the coach with the greatest winning record in the history of football might have been driven by an insatiable desire to win. We who worked with him felt that his only desire was for perfection. As a coach, he employed an offense that provided power, precision, and deception. In his striving for perfect execution, each offensive play and defensive maneuver of his teams became a medley of rhythm, timing, and co-ordination—all directed at accomplishing the goal of the moment. No man every understood better the value of organization and thorough preparation. With all his fine qualities, his only genius was for industry. His enthusiasm for work was infectious. He had the knack of instilling a flaming spirit in those with whom he worked. He was an excellent companion who knew how to enjoy life, and to admire others' accomplishments. It was easy for one to work with and for him. He never put his own opinion ahead of the opinions of his co-worker, at least not until the situation had been discussed completely; and therein perhaps, one might find his formula for success.

Each day was lived simply at the level of his highest conscience, with great ambition for the university, none for himself. He had the faculty of bringing to life latent ability, and of inspiring ideals in the young men with whom he worked. He could take a player, arouse his interest, give him praise and encouragement, and create in him an urge for achievement and work—never failing to give caution in the most important part of one's being a man. He was the opposite from the demagogue. He met his students on their own level, as a demagogue never does.

In that Bob Neyland spent a large portion of his life in the athletic world, perhaps it is not out of keeping to mention some of the terms used to describe him and to quote some of the statements made at his passing. From the very beginning of his coaching career, his opponents constantly advised their teams, "Don't make a mistake against Tennessee." Some called him, "The Wizard of the Single Wing." Others called him, "The Fox"—"The Scourge of Dixie." He was known as "the fundamentalist of football." He was the most feared of all coaches in the land. His teams were always alert. They

played for the break; and when it came, they scored. They would *hit you and hit you again*. They learned to love the contact of a hard block, and Tennessee was known as the hardest hitting football team in the nation. That his teams played hard football is a fact. The uninitiated sometimes called them rough, but not justifiably so—such teams just weren't used to the game the way Tennessee played it. The respect held for Neyland and the fear felt for his teams were phenomenal. Many who didn't know him held him in awe. It is of interest that his greatest rivals always referred to the close personal friendship that they shared with him. Knute Rockne referred to him as "the outstanding defensive thinker in the game." Wallace Wade said, "He coaches all phases of the game better than any other coach. We had quite a rivalry and were close personal friends." Bobby Dodd, one of The General's celebrated protégés, stated, "He always seemed to know exactly what would be needed to prevail over a given opponent." Herman Hickman wrote, "No coach has done a more masterful job. I speak for scores of



former Tennessee football players when I say that one of the greatest privileges of my life was to play under General Neyland and to have an off-the-field association with him, which I shall always cherish." He himself referred to his method as just another way to play the game. His time at Tennessee is referred to as "The Neyland Era." To all, he was "The General." His name and reputation are legend.

The legend, however, did not just happen—it is the result of the incessant training which built coordinated machines made up of men, each of whom knew his duty and his responsibilities, and accepted them as such. In his coaching, Neyland never left anything to chance. He was direct and forceful. He looked like a West Pointer, and acted like one. In his practice sessions, he demanded condition, finesse, spirit, and eagerness. One of the most human things about his career is the many anecdotes that each of the boys tells about what happened while each was a member of his squad. His practice sessions and dressing rooms were not without laughter; but like his drills, the laughs were well-timed, and everyone knew when to laugh and when not to laugh. He stayed near his players, knew their schedules, knew their work habits. As head coach, he did not hesitate to assign responsibility to his assistants and to give them autonomy in their duties.

No other coach in the last 35 years has had such a tremendous impact on college football. Over an extended period of 21 years, his record as head coach was 172-32-12. Over the period of 35 years while he was at Tennessee, the school's record was 258-70-18. Only Notre Dame, with 244-74-10, approaches such a record. He wrapped up his coaching career as he started it—as a conqueror, winning 32 of his last 37 games. As athletic director, he was an excellent administrator. He built the university's Shield-Watkins Field from a seating capacity of 3,200 into a stadium which houses dormitories and dressing rooms and has a seating capacity of 54,000. With all his success, however, it is significant that in spite of the University of Tennessee's perennial high standing, the NCAA never saw fit to investigate his athletic program. He was capable of a brilliant intellectual grasp of opportunities and of unflinching good judgment. The University of Tennessee will not see the like of him again.

His character was as clear as crystal, strengthened with integrity, magnanimity, and a stern sense of duty and truth. He was human, compassionate, entirely unselfish, and of a gentle nature. His fellow men trusted him absolutely. His integrity was complete.

One would think that the acclaim of the crowd would have made Bob Neyland enjoy public appearances, but for years he avoided them. He was judged to be unconcerned with public opinion—nothing could have been further from the truth. He had the highest regard for the public, but his natural modesty, sometimes amounting to bashfulness, made him fear the podium. His first remark on his entering his office following the announcement that he had been employed as head coach was, "We can get the coaching job done—but how in the world are we going to meet the public?" Public contact was his only fear; and, as so frequently happens, for it, he sometimes was misjudged.

The list of those who hold Bob Neyland in their hearts would be a long one. So greatly was he loved that, everywhere, people felt his death their personal sorrow. The great players coached by him are too numerous to mention, as are his former students who have become famous coaches, doctors, lawyers, and leaders in many fields throughout the nation. Most of them counted the four short years that they spent with him as the most interesting and the happiest of their lives. Many of them felt the death of their coach so intensely that they could find no way through which to express their love, their prayers, and their sympathy to his family. Self-concern filled their thoughts. In sending their sympathy, they did so with the plea that they be privileged to share the grief.

The world is not likely to know another Bob Neyland. —Lenox D. Baker, M.D.

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## Joshua Ashley Stansell

NO. 5802 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 9 January 1962 at Charleston, South Carolina, aged 67 years.

THE ASSIGNMENT to write an article in memory of the deceased was almost declined because of the possibility that his true worth might be underestimated. He was a loyal friend and neighbor of mine and his record of service to his country is outstanding. His pastor said of him, "Colonel Stansell as a Christian walked humbly with his Lord."

He was the son of Rosa Seymour and Clinton Brown Stansell. He is survived by his sister, Miss Mary Stansell, of Elko, S.C. He attended the public school of his hometown, and the University of South Carolina. While there he was appointed to West Point by James F. Byrnes, then a congressman from South Carolina. He graduated with a bachelor of science degree. He attended Yale University 1931-1932, receiving a master of science degree in communications engineering. He distinguished himself as a student at West Point, graduating with honors and, after graduation, he served as a member of the faculty and was a mathematics instructor.

During the war overseas in the Philippines, he was General Jonathan M. Wainwright's signal officer, and it was during that performance of duties on Bataan that he was captured and carried into Manchuria where, for three years, he suffered the hardships of prison life. As an example of his privations, "General Wainwright's Story" by Robert Consideine, says this:

"On Christmas morning 1941, a tank officer came past my skeletonized headquarters



ing radio, telephone, and signal flares to coordinate Infantry, Artillery and Naval activities over very difficult jungle terrain... successfully integrated this special signal network, frequently going through hostile rifle and machine gun fire and through areas known to be occupied by enemy snipers, without regard for his own personal safety, in order to locate and repair breaks in the telephone wires and to keep the operations in clearing the enemy from Quinauan Point and vicinity."

These comments are from a United Press report from Frank Hewlett in the Philippines, dated 4 April 1942, telling of the work of the Signal Corps.

"Good-natured Colonel Joshua Stansell of Elko, S.C., is their commander. He's an amazing character and a great producer of results. When the war started he was the lone Signal Corps officer for the Northern Luzon forces. He worked all day stringing lines, then spent the biggest part of the night decoding radio messages for General Wainwright."

He was always gentle, kind, and helpful. He was loved by the men under him, for he was lovable. They showed this in many ways. When he was packing to go for service in Manila the cadets at West Point surprised him by giving a banquet honoring him and gave him a very fine watch. This was the only thing he carried with him that he brought back from prison camp. Later, after the fearful Death March, and two unspeakably cruel prisons, orders came for all to walk miles to a ship for Manchuria. Josh was so emaciated and weak he could not walk. Some of the stronger men put their arms around him and carried him to the ship. In the fearful cold and privations of Manchuria the "beloved colonel" gathered his almost-crazy men around him and taught them, not from books, but from his great mental storehouse of knowledge. He taught them history, great literature, and his specialty—mathematics. This act of loving service probably saved the mentality of many prisoners. He became their helper and their companion.

To Josh Stansell, being a good citizen was much more than a creed; it was something to be worked at, not now and then, but all the time. As a soldier he was rich in wisdom and experience, and youthful in spirit, with memories of the past, his eyes on the present, and his hopes for the future. With this viewpoint in mind, one recalls the familiar lines from Robert Browning:

"Grow old along with me; the best is yet to be;

The last of life, for which the first was made.

Our times are in His hand who saith, 'A whole I planned;

Youth shows but half; trust God; see all, nor be afraid.'"

—Horace J. Crouch  
Supt. of Education  
Barnwell County, S.C.

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### John Southworth Niles

NO. 6050 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 3 September 1961 at Melrose, Florida,  
aged 65 years.

JOHN SOUTHWORTH NILES was born in Pueblo, Colo., on 27 June 1896, the son of Andrew Pitcher Niles and Ida Stone Wells. He attended Shattuck Military Academy and

the Universities of Kansas and Yale before entering West Point on 10 June 1916 on an appointment from Senator James A. Reed of Missouri.

The twinkle in his eyes and his winning smile reflected the warm personality and friendly disposition of this man from Missouri, and it did not take long for Jack Niles to be known and liked by his classmates. He was interested in all sports, particularly swimming and track. In the Outdoor Meet, in the spring of 1918, he won the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes, and he was a member of the winning team in the mile relay race. I am sure that Tom Jenkins considered him to be an excellent boxer also.

Jack was an "engineer" in academic work, and each year he ranked nearer the top of the class than in the preceding year. His standing at graduation was 22 in a class of 227. He was a cadet first sergeant, a hop manager, and the class secretary and treasurer.

On 1 November 1918, Jack's class graduated (in formation on the Plain) and went home to await orders, presumably for France. However, the Armistice was signed



10 days later, and he was ordered to report for a course of instruction at the Engineer Officers' Training Camp at Camp Humphreys, now Fort Belvoir, on 2 December, together with the other 61 members of the Class who had been commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. His service as a student officer continued until 1 July 1921, although it was interrupted by a tour of observation of the AEF in Europe in the summer of 1919, and by eight months' duty with the 8th Engineers, Mounted, at Fort Bliss.

On completing the course at the Engineer School, Jack was ordered to Camp Travis, Tex., for duty with the 2d Engineers. It was here that he resigned his commission, in September 1921, to go into the family business, the Niles and Moser Cigar Company, in Kansas City. Later, he decided to try his hand at farming in Missouri, and he was successful in this field. In fact, it was at a considerable personal sacrifice that he returned to the Army in February 1942 as a temporary major of Engineers. He served at Headquarters Armored Force, Fort Knox, and then went to Europe and, as a colonel, commanded the 1139th Engineer Combat Group. After duty in command of the Saar Mining Group and in the Office of Military Government in Berlin, in 1945-47, he returned to the United

and gave us a Christmas present. It was a can of beans. Our little force, including Colonels Frank Nelson and Josh Stansell, split it up. It was Christmas breakfast, lunch and dinner, and was mightily appreciated."

Before his retirement, Colonel Stansell served as assistant commandant of the Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth, N.J. He was a true patriot and a man of remarkable intellect. He was a student of governmental and political affairs, and kept abreast of current events.

Many incidents in his life have imperishable qualities and among these are so many, many experiences had during his enlistment. This from the Legion of Merit citation:

"For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in the Southwest Pacific Area. By his exemplary conduct and conspicuous competence, Colonel Stansell fully upheld the finest traditions of the service."

The Fort Monmouth Press gave an account of the awarding of the Silver Star to Colonel Stansell by General Jerry V. Mateka. The award, ordered by General Jonathan Wainwright, is as follows:

"When a special and elaborate signal network became necessary for the difficult operations in the Quinauan Point area involv-

States for duty at Camp Campbell, where he again resigned from the Army on 1 July 1948. For his service in World War II, he received the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, three Bronze Star Medals, Purple Heart, and decorations from France and Luxemburg.

After the war, Jack returned to his 700-acre farm near Cabool, Mo. The farm required much rehabilitation. In 1952 he sold the farm, attended Northwest Missouri State College at Marysville for a short time, and then went to Florida. While en route to other parts of the state, he stopped at Gainesville. He was impressed by the beauty of the University of Florida campus, and finding that the university offered the courses which he wanted to take, entered in September 1952, and received his MAE degree in August 1954.

While a student, he met and married Mrs. Lois P. Saunders, a widow with three grown children. Immediately after the wedding on 13 June 1954, they moved into a house on Santa Fe Lake, Melrose post office, about 15 miles east of Gainesville, for which Jack himself had drawn the plans. His first and only marriage was very successful. He and Lois were admirably suited to each other, and they were very happy. He was devoted to his stepchildren—Robert L. and William K. Saunders, and Mrs. Virginia S. Cellon, all of whom live in Gainesville—and they returned his affection in full measure. Their own father had died of a heart attack some time before, and Jack replaced him in their lives.

Jack had everything that he required for recreation and happiness right at his front door. He kept two well-equipped fishing boats, one for his personal use, and the other for his children and friends. One of his neighbors says, "He was an ardent, expert and tireless fisherman." He spent part of every pleasant day on the lake. The black bass was his game, and he seldom went home empty-handed.

Jack's brother Ray, who lives in Kansas City, and his wife, were present for the wedding, and visited the home on Santa Fe Lake from time to time. Jack and Lois returned these visits, but otherwise their travels were confined to short trips in Florida. He kept in touch with some of his old Army friends through the exchange of Christmas greetings and those of us who dropped by to see him and to meet his charming wife were greeted with the same broad smile that we had known 40 years previously.

This life of happiness and contentment which Jack was enjoying ended abruptly. In the early morning of 3 September 1961 he was stricken at home with a heart attack. He was taken immediately to the Alachua General Hospital in Gainesville, but he died some 12 hours later of a second attack. He was laid to rest in Alachua Hillcrest Memorial Park in Gainesville.

Jack's widow Lois writes: "I have never known anyone who had more zest for living, and our years together were very pleasant. I consider it a privilege to have been his wife for seven years."

His brother Ray states: "John's tastes in all things were simple. His enthusiasms were contagious—no holier-than-thou attitude—he just seemed to bring out the best in those he contacted."

We, his classmates and friends, say: "Well done, Jack; it was great to know you!"

—H.L.P.

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## James Verne Cole

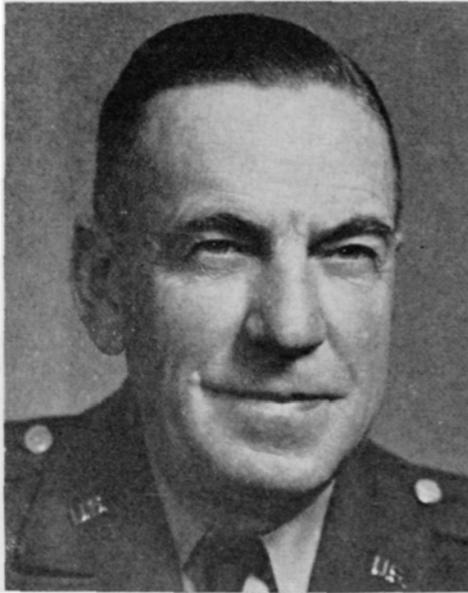
NO. 6425 CLASS OF 1919

Died 25 September 1961 at the VA Hospital, Martinsburg, West Virginia, aged 65 years.

FOLLOWING A LONG and painful illness, James Verne Cole passed away on 25 September 1961 at the Veterans Hospital, Martinsburg, W.Va.

The son of Lydia Hays Cole and Samuel Truman Cole, he was born 4 February 1896 in Lisbon, N.D., where he attended grammar and high school. He was appointed to the US Military Academy from North Dakota.

Upon graduation he was assigned to the Infantry and his first assignment was Fort Benning, Ga. Then followed the varied life of an Army career: troop duty, ROTC, foreign service, instructor at USMA, and schools. During World War II he was first with the Tank Destroyers, then G-1 of the XXXVI Army Corps. He also served as chief of staff of the New Caledonia and Guadalcanal Command and as G-1, I Corps, in Kyoto, Japan.



Shortly after his return to this country, he was assigned to Fort Myer, Va., as post commander and commanding officer of the famous 3d US Infantry. His last assignment was chief of the Military Mission to Peru.

In 1920, upon completion of the course at Fort Benning, Ga., he married Elizabeth Blair, whom he had met while at West Point. Then followed a long and happy married life. His two sons were a source of great pride and joy. Jim lives in El Paso, Tex., and Andrew in Kansas City, Mo.

Active and interested in all sports throughout his life, J. V. excelled in tennis.

J. V. was retired from active service in July 1953, and shortly thereafter the Coles settled in nearby Virginia. As long as he was able, he enjoyed the house and grounds that we had planned, and the surrounding woods, accompanied always by his faithful companions, a small scotty and a large boxer.

Even a serious heart operation at Walter Reed Hospital in 1957 did not retard his failing health. His courage and fortitude were put to the test during his last years as illness took its toll. His condition worsened until, in May 1960, he was admitted to the Veterans' Hospital in Martinsburg, W.Va. There, despite the care and kindness of faithful, dedicated doctors and nurses, he died in September 1961.

J. V., as he was affectionately called by his classmates and friends, was a man of courage and faith. His was a gay, blithe spirit. His life was filled with interest, energy, and enthusiasm. Each new assignment presented a fresh challenge to which he gave his best. A brave soldier, a staunch friend, and a devoted and beloved husband and father, he was loved, respected and admired by all who knew him.

At the Post Chapel and the cemetery, full military and personal honors were accorded him by his beloved commands, in whom he had taken such pride, the 3d Infantry and the Post Command.

Surrounded by his classmates and friends, as the last notes of "The Corps" and "Taps" faded, J. V. was laid to rest on a quiet hillside in Arlington.

A son of whom West Point could well be proud.

"Embrace him Father and receive him,  
Thy heroic servant, into Thy Kingdom."

—Betty Cole

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## James Goodrich Renno

NO. 6588 CLASS OF 1920

Died 16 January 1962 at Denver, Colorado, aged 64 years.

JAMES GOODRICH RENNO was born 9 June 1897 to George and Louisa Reiger Renno at Butler, Pa. He graduated from the Butler city schools and matriculated at Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa. His formal education was interrupted temporarily, after two years, by his enlistment in the Signal Corps of the regular Army shortly after the declaration of war in 1917.

The late Colonel G. L. McEntee encouraged Jim to take the examinations for admission to the Military Academy. Jim passed the examinations and was admitted as a member of the Class of 1920 on 14 June 1918.

Upon graduation, Lieutenant Renno chose the Coast Artillery Corps and, after leave, was ordered to the CA School at Fort Monroe, Va.

On 27 December 1921 he was married to Florence Ward of Washington, Pa. whom he had met and courted while attending W. and J.

In the several years that followed, he saw service in Portland, Maine; Fort Terry, N.Y., and Corregidor, Philippine Islands. During this assignment he picked up a bug that caused him to spend the next year and a half in Letterman hospital in San Francisco, Calif., and Fitzsimons Hospital in Denver, Colo.

On his return to duty he was assigned to Fort Preble, Maine. Then came a three-year detail to the Signal Corps, with both duty and attendance in the Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth, N.J. Jim was then assigned to take the advanced course at the CAC School. On completion he was given duty at Fort Shafter, Hawaii; at Fort Monroe, Va.; five years as PMS&T at Michigan State University; and then to Fort Crockett, Tex.

In 1941 he was ordered to West Point as Signal Officer and CO, Signal Detachment, USMA. In the following July, Lt. Col. Renno transferred to the Signal Corps and was stationed at Fort Monmouth. While there, he was placed on detached service for two weeks to attend the Joint Air Amphibious Signal Communications course at Camp Bradford,

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Va., and, at the close of which, was assigned to Governors Island, N.Y., as assistant signal officer.

While in New York, an old back injury became aggravated and Jim was sent to Percy Jones General Hospital in Battle Creek, Mich., for observation and treatment. He was released for temporary limited duty and assigned to Camp Crowder, Mo. Jim's military retirement became effective 31 October 1945.

And thus, a career of 28 active years in the service of his country came to a close for "Poopy," as he was known to his classmates. His philosophy of life—Duty, Honor, Country—was welded into his being and was his guide throughout his life.

Although he was a born easterner, the West had always appealed to him. After looking over northern California, Oregon, and Colorado, he discovered Boulder, Colo., and chose that city for his retirement years. It was at this point that my wife and I became acquainted with Florence and Jim. We met the Rennos in the Lutheran Church. Florence became a leader among the women of the church and Jim was active in the men's

organization. We visited back and forth in our homes and more gracious hosts or pleasant guests could not be found. Their consideration for others, their sense of humor, and their enjoyment of life itself exhibited a field of wide experiences.

Jim's quest for knowledge never dulled. Retirement only gave him an opportunity to pursue his interests further. He was a graduate student at the University of Colorado for a year. He equipped a small laboratory in his home for experiments in light, sound, electronics, and electrostatics. One of his principle activities was the design and assembly of his high fidelity record player. That he was a perfectionist was evidenced by the quality of reproduction of the music he enjoyed. He accumulated a large library of good classical and secular records.

At my suggestion, Jim petitioned the Masonic lodge and later the York Rite bodies of Boulder. Thereafter he became a student of Masonry, learning much of its history, the lessons taught, and the ritualistic procedures. He participated in the work as far as his physical capabilities would permit, accepting appointive and elective offices until the rigors of the office became too great.

Jim enjoyed climbing the nearby mountains by any means—by foot, horseback, or car. Nothing seemed to escape his interest or observation, until 1957 when a heart condi-

tion developed which finally slowed him up. He had to give up his climbing and finally even his short walks.

Jim entered Fitzsimons Hospital on 28 December 1961, immediately following a severe heart attack. He seemed to be progressing satisfactorily but a series of attacks from January 13 to 16 were too much. He was a fighter to the end and rallied from each attack, until early on the morning of 16 January 1962 he joined the Long Gray Line. He was laid to rest in Mountain View Memorial Park beside his son George, who was killed in action in France in 1944.

Jim is survived by his widow, who lives in their home at 3150 Eighth Street, in Boulder. He is also survived by a son, James Jr., of Sierra Vista, Ariz.; a daughter Rosanne, wife of Dr. David E. Carpenter of Westminster, Colo.; and five grandchildren. He was a good husband and father, setting a good example for his children, and became the ideal for his grandchildren who thought he was a man who knew everything and could do anything.

—Claude R. Daum



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## William Dickey Long

NO. 6784 CLASS OF 1920

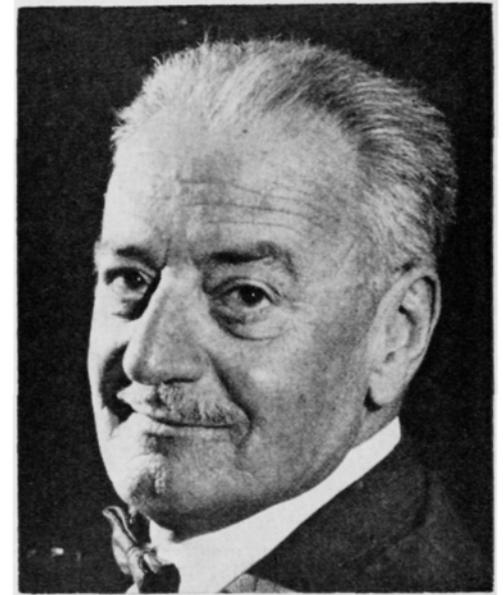
Died 16 February 1962 in the 97th General Hospital in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, aged 63 years.

WILLIAM DICKEY LONG was born to Lewis Benton and Myrtle Dickey Long on 22 February 1898 in Ridgway, Pa. His father was an officer in the National Guard who served his last few years therein as aide-de-camp on the governor's staff.

After attending Kentucky Military Institute and the Columbia Preparatory School in Washington, D.C., Bill entered West Point in June 1918. Even during his cadet days, his conscientious devotion to duty, his modesty, and that charming consideration for others which were to characterize his whole life were already sufficiently marked to gain for him the respect and the strong affection of both his superior officers and his fellow cadets.

From graduation to World War II, Bill's service was primarily with Infantry troops in the states of Washington, New York, New Jersey, Texas and Hawaii, and in the Philippines. Very early during this period, he was aide-de-camp to General Richard M. Blatchford. Later he attended the Tank and Chemical Warfare Schools in Maryland and the Ordnance Field Service School at Raritan Arsenal. After instructing in the Armored School at Fort Knox during the school year 1940-41, Bill was motor officer of the 1st Armored Division when we entered the war in December 1941.

He lost no time getting into the war. Deputy G-2 of the Americal Division in January 1942, he became G-2 in April and held that post through the fighting on Guadalcanal for which the division received a Presidential Citation. On one occasion, Bill made an intelligence estimate which the commanding general considered to be quite unreasonable. He sent for Bill, told him of his reaction and said he was considering Bill's relief. Bill's reply was that the general would be doing less than his full duty if he retained a staff officer in whom he had lost confidence and that his only request was to be given command of an Infantry battalion in combat. Strongly impressed by this soldierly attitude, the general



year. He was then transferred to Heidelberg to head the Operations, Organization and Training Section of G-3 of Headquarters European Command. In 1951 he took the Rhine Ordnance Depot at Kaiserslautern which he commanded until his retirement in 1953.

An upperclassman whose cadet company Bill joined as a Plebe, who then served with him at Vancouver Barracks and again at Fort Sam Houston, and finally as a general officer was with him both on Guadalcanal and in the Constabulary, describes his service as follows: "Bill's service was characterized by moral and physical courage both in and out of combat, combined with a warmth which made it easy for him to treat others as individuals rather than abstractions. I have never had a better friend, nor have I known a man who exemplified more truly the traditions and ideals of West Point. Duty—Honor—Country was to him no idle platitude. It was a way of life to which he adhered as a religion." The respect and affection expressed in these words are felt for Bill by all who ever knew him.

In August 1954, Bill married Anneliese Margarete Wuerflein and they settled down in an apartment in Frankfurt-am-Main to enjoy life. They were outstandingly successful. Bill read a lot of history, both military and otherwise, and together they traveled all over Europe, making at least one extended trip

every year. They also gave a most royal welcome to all of Bill's old friends who came through Frankfurt and there were many. In 1960 they came to West Point for Bill's 40th Reunion and toured the country from coast to coast, visiting many of their friends over here and introducing Anneliese to numerous striking American scenes. They were obviously completely happy.

I was fortunate enough to be quite close to Bill for about two years in Heidelberg and to see him frequently thereafter. A period of great happiness began for him when he returned to Germany in 1948. It was a pleasure to watch him getting so much out of life. He enjoyed everything to the fullest; living in Germany, his duty, his retirement, and finally his very happy marriage.

Late in 1958, Bill began having trouble with his throat, an ailment which the doctors were able to alleviate but never to clear up thoroughly. However, it didn't appear to bother him much until the end of 1960. In February 1961 he underwent a throat operation and a year later he succumbed.

Thus there joined the Long Gray Line one of its noblest and most devoted sons. All who knew him admired and respected him for his uncompromising adherence to the most exacting standards of duty and patriotism while they loved him for his warm heart, his unassuming modesty and his unfailing consideration for others. The shock of his untimely passing is softened by the knowledge that the last dozen years of his life were particularly happy ones.

Colonel Long is buried in the Military Cemetery at Bremen-Osterholz, Germany. He is survived by his widow who lives with her parents in Bremen. —A classmate

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## Homer Behne Millard

EX-CADET OF 1920

Died 23 May 1962 in Portland, Oregon, aged 64 years.



HOMER BEHNE MILLARD passed away at St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland, Ore. on 23 May 1962. Death was caused by a heart condition, following two attacks of pneumonia last spring.

"Beany" Millard, as he was known, was a member of the Classes of 1920 and 1924. Although he did not graduate, he served West Point long and well during the years

that he conducted his Preparatory School for West Point, and, later, his preparatory school for all the Service academies.

Beany served his country both in war and peace. In 1915, as a member of the Oregon National Guard, he saw duty on the Mexican Border, and during World War II he was on duty both in this country and in north Africa. After the war he served in a civilian capacity with the Nuremberg Trials, first as the head of the language division, and then as executive officer to the Secretary General.

It is for his work in preparing young men for the Service academies, however, that he made his greatest contribution. In 1925 he opened his school for West Point in Washington, D.C., and in the years that followed, until he closed it in 1946, he prepared more than 2,000 young men for a military career. His record of success was high, and, according to the testimony of many, "he taught more than what was in the books."

After retiring to a ranch at Langlois, Ore., in 1951, he decided to reopen his preparatory school, this time preparing candidates for both West Point and Annapolis and, after it was established, the Air Force Academy. The school was opened in 1953 and grew so that last spring it was moved to a much larger plant at Bandon, Ore. There the school is being continued, in the same high tradition, by his devoted wife, who had worked closely with him from the time the school was opened in 1953, and the staff which he had carefully trained.

Perhaps his achievements and stature can best be described in these words by General Robert A. Danford, who was the Commandant of Cadets when Beany was a Plebe:

"I knew him better than I did the average cadet. His spirit and his hard work to hold proficient marks in studies in which he was evidently not well prepared aroused my sympathies. For that reason I called him in when his discharge orders were received, to bid him goodbye and to express the hope that in some other place he would find the success that his efforts, his loyalty, and his fine spirit merited.

"It was only a few years later that I became aware of his marked success with his West Point Preparatory School, and I wrote him expressing my pleasure and satisfaction over the fact that he had indeed found a great place for service to his country.

"Over the years I have kept in touch with him and have rejoiced in the success that came to him. He has thus materially helped many young men achieve what he himself failed to achieve—graduation from the Academy. But the many West Pointers who in a measure owe their graduation to him, his deep and abiding pride in and love for West Point, classify him spiritually as an honored member of The Long Gray Line, and make him truly worthy of the Academy's benediction, "Well done—be thou at peace."

—E.L.M.

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## Du Pré Rainey Dance

NO. 6851 CLASS OF 1922

Died 8 May 1962 at San Antonio, Texas, aged 61 years.

DU PRÉ RAINEY DANCE spent his youth in Corinth, Miss., and inherited the personal characteristics that are considered inherent in a gentleman of the Old South. While he was called "Pete" during his early years, it was

only natural that he became "Hop" after he entered West Point with the Oriole class in November, 1918.

The military routine posed no problem for Hop, as he had attended VMI before his appointment to the Military Academy. He, likewise, took the academic work in stride and easily graduated in the top quarter of his class. His favorite subject was English and he developed an unusual facility with our



language that few attain. His assistance to other less gifted cadets made it possible for several to avoid having their names on the list of those who were Found Deficient in English.

Coupled with his innate intelligence was an imagination that was at once the delight of many but the despair of some. Nothing was dull around Hop and if things were, he would soon have an idea that would change the situation. He was the promoter of many extra-curricular activities that did not conform to the regulations. While he did not always come out ahead, he had a winning percentage in his various attempts to outwit the Tactical Department.

Upon graduation, together with other 2d lieutenants of Field Artillery, Hop was assigned to the 2d Division at Camp Travis near San Antonio, Tex. Even though the WW I accommodations were showing many signs of wear and tear, this was a most desirable station. This was due largely to the fact that people of San Antonio were most hospitable and that the young officers were able to enjoy many activities in off-duty hours. Needless to say, this was an ideal situation for one of Hop's many talents. He demonstrated his ability as a valuable young officer, and had an outlet for his outside interests in the nearby city.

It was here that Hop met, courted, and later married the lovely Miss Beatrice Stribling, who had been the Queen of the Fiesta of San Jacinto. To this union was born a daughter who is now the wife of Brigadier General Duward L. Crow, USAF, USMA 1941.

After a couple of years duty at Fort Sill, Okla., Hop resigned his commission in the US Army and returned to San Antonio. There he was engaged as a representative of a New York Stock Exchange firm. Hop fitted into civilian life in San Antonio as though he were a native son, and the only change was that he enlarged his circle of friends in that city.

With the start of WW II in Europe and

the resulting expansion of the US Army, Hop decided that he could best serve by assisting in the education of young officers in a subject in which he was particularly qualified to teach. Without waiting for our actual involvement in the war, he returned to active duty as a major in the English Department at West Point. Here he was able to render valuable service as an instructor and later as an assistant professor in the English Department. In addition to academic duties, Hop also was in charge of the tennis team and assisted in other cadet programs.

With the end of WW II, Hop returned to San Antonio and became connected with a leading local investment banking house. His many friends made this transition to his adopted city an easy one. Hop was highly regarded by all who knew him and one of the general partners of the firm made the unsolicited comment that Hop was doing a terrific job in heading one of the most important divisions of the company. It was here, while in his office, that he suffered his fatal attack.

Very few of the remarks about cadets of the graduating class in the HOWITZER have any real prophetic quality, nor can they be considered to represent the individual when he has reached his later years. However, those concerning Hop in the 1922 Yearbook were unusually far-sighted and perceptive. The last paragraph of those concerning Hop is quoted below. Though written 40 years ago, the picture painted did not change with the years.

"For four years Hop has exemplified the qualities of a gentleman in their truest and most picturesque form, be it on Cullum's floor, in Benny Haven's parlor, or at the ringside calling on the god of chance for birds or box cars. His sphere is the superlative. It is our prediction that mediocrity will never cross his path. In years to come, if he does not achieve fame in the service of the Government, look for him on Wall Street, prosperous, respected, and with the same old adventurous spirit."

—Mark McClure '22

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## Elwyn Donald Post

NO. 7087 CLASS OF 1923

Died 26 September 1961 at Monterey, California, aged 61 years.

WHEN EDDIE POST DIED in his sleep it was startlingly symbolic that he should meet that last great challenge calmly and peacefully just as he had met all others in his interesting and eventful career.

Eddie was admired and respected by his contemporaries. He gained the trust and confidence of his seniors. His outstanding leadership was founded on the loyalty and devotion he inspired in his juniors.

Eddie's family was the kind we regard as representing the best in the American tradition. His devotion to his wife Virginia and his thoughtfulness and intelligent pride regarding his children were an inspiration to all who knew them.

The high rank and the decorations awarded to Eddie testify to the great value the Army placed on his professional accomplishments and abilities.

Truly his was the well-balanced life of a man with an unusual sensitivity for the feelings of those with whom he comes in contact.

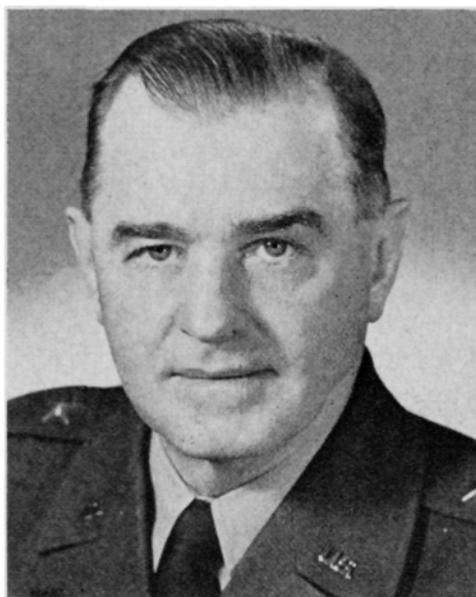
Eddie was born in Shelby, Ohio, on 30 November 1899. He completed grammar

school and began high school in Knoxville, Tenn. He completed high school at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he was an outstanding athlete and a leader in class activities.

In the fall of 1917 Eddie entered Coe College. In the class ahead of him was David Fowler who enlisted a few months later and, after serving in France, entered West Point with the Class of 1923, along with Eddie who had, in the meantime, served in the Student Army Training Corps.

At Coe Eddie played basketball and football but was most distinguished as catcher on the baseball team. More significant, however, he became president of his class and a member of the student council in his sophomore year.

He was appointed to the Military Academy from the Fifth Congressional District of Iowa. His athletic ability, personality, and leadership were soon recognized and further developed in his cadet career. In athletics he is best remembered as a baseball player, though perhaps the sacrifice and devotion required to stay on the Cullum Hall football squad for two years deserves more credit. Eddie was



a handsome young man. Neatness and a fine military bearing seemed natural with him. The authorities recognized his professional and leadership potential by awarding him chevrons each year and appointing him to the Beast Detail and designating him a company commander in his First Class year. His personal characteristics and interests were evidenced by membership in the Cadet Choir and the Hundredth Night cast and by his selection as a hop manager and as a cadet representative to YMCA conferences at Silver Bay. Most significant is the fact that he was chosen to be a member of the Cadet Honor Committee. This selection demonstrated supreme confidence in his devotion to duty, integrity, and sense of fair play.

Prophetic to a degree seldom achieved in such publications, is the following extract from the sketch on Eddie in the Class of 1923 HOWITZER:

"He was a member of the Com's autocracy from the beginning of Yearling year but he never exaggerated the value of chevrons. He knew how to make a plebe a plebe and could make any formation go off without superficial efficiency."

Eddie's pre-World War II service in the Infantry took him to Fort Brady, Hawaii, Fort Hayes, Fort Benning, West Point, and Fort Leavenworth. In August 1940 he was ordered to Alaska as a member of the staff of

General Simon B. Buckner. He became General Buckner's chief of staff and so remained until the General was killed in action on Okinawa after his Tenth Army had attacked and secured that island in one of the most notable campaigns of World War II. The almost legendary complementing of talents and personality between these two men has been epitomized by a member of the staff as follows: "He would simply declare at any time or place what he, Buckner, was going to do, and Eddie would set about making it possible. He had a way of advancing his own ideas that was a masterful pattern of diplomacy."

Eddie has described his association with General Buckner as the greatest reward in his military career by saying that serving with that great soldier and gentleman in the frustrating build-up in Alaska and the bitter campaign on Okinawa far outshaded any other association or assignment. Eddie's capacity as a staff officer was most effectively demonstrated when, after General Buckner's death, he arranged for the transition of command of that huge military force made up of elements from all the Services and spread over vast areas in the Pacific. After that was successfully accomplished, Eddie returned to the United States and after a tour in the Pentagon, went to Leavenworth as chief of staff in the critical stages of the post-war reorganization and reorientation of the Command & General Staff College. There Eddie and Virginia played a leading role in reestablishing the high standards of social and personal life which had characterized the Army and particularly Leavenworth before World War II.

The Korean War again brought Eddie into a theater of operations. Initially given command of a logistical command, he requested duty in the combat zone and was assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division. In 1952 he returned to the United States for duty with Army Field Forces, where he played a leading role in incorporating the lessons from World War II and Korea into our Army organization and training. After that he served in Europe as commander of Western Area in Germany and on the USAREUR staff. Back in the United States again in 1957, he assumed command of the Military District at Atlanta from which he retired in 1958.

Many tributes have been paid to Eddie's service and to his personal character. A senior officer who knew Eddie over a period of years and served with him in the US, Asia, and Europe in both war and peace has made the following representative comment:

"Eddie lived up to all expectations. He was good at leading the boys up front, at supervising the execution of plans and at making jaundiced-eyed inspections of our activities in the rear. He had a knack for keeping things in their proper perspective and always managed to retain a good sense of humor. He was strict and thorough but at the same time practical and understanding. He set an example in the standards he expected of others. He could usually find a smooth and effective way to get the necessary things done but he would step in forcefully, leaving no doubt as to who was boss when that was the approach to take."

After a short period of traveling around the country, the Posts settled in Pebble Beach, Calif., where they were living when Eddie died on 26 September 1961.

Eddie and Virginia Rodney Ewalt were married in September 1925 at Champaign, Ill. In notes he submitted for a contemplated biographic sketch several years ago, Eddie

described his marriage as by far the most important thing that ever happened to him and observed that their happiness had been marred only by the separations at times required by military service. Virginia's mother has been with the Post family for some years.

The Posts have two children. The daughter, Patricia Ann, is married to H. F. G. Boswell, an officer in the British Army, currently stationed in Singapore. The Boswells have two children. The son, E. D. Post, Jr., is in the Army and presently stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington.

Eddie Post's life was a full and a rich one. He lived up to the professional expectations foreshadowed in his youth. As a soldier, as head of a family, and as an intensely human person, he was an inspiration to all who came in contact with him. Unheralded and unsung perhaps, we can be sure that his example will continue to influence many lives for years to come.

With the greatest of conviction we can confer on Eddie the reverent tribute in our "Alma Mater."—Well Done! —A classmate

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### James Sifly Jefferies

NO. 7161 CLASS OF 1923

Died 4 May 1962 at St. Petersburg, Florida, aged 63 years.



THE CLASSMATES and many friends of James Sifly Jefferies were shocked and saddened to learn of his death from a heart attack on 4 May 1962 at his home, 1326 Robin Road South, St. Petersburg 7, Fla.

Jeff was born on 9 December 1898 at Pacelot, S.C. He began his military career on 26 February 1916 by enlisting in the 2d Company, CAC, South Carolina National Guard, at the mature age of 17 years, 2 months, and 17 days. He attended prep school at Marion Institute, Marion, Ala., in 1918-19 along with other 1923 classmates—Dave Larr, Charlie Gettys, Johnny Graffin, Hal Granberry, Allen Hume, and Paul Laning.

To those of us privileged to be numbered among his intimate friends from prep school days to the date of his death, nearly 44 years later. Jeff was a true friend, and above all and always—a gentleman. He had a quiet sense of humor, warm and ready friendship,

sympathy and understanding for the problems and feelings of others. I believe that I can best describe him as the kind of man I like to invite into my home.

In 1926, Jeff took stock of the situation—since the world was at peace and there would be no more wars, he felt the urge to pursue a career in the business world and so change his military status from Regular to Reserve. He returned to active duty on 5 July 1942 and served with distinction as an Engineer officer in various assignments in the US, Europe, and Japan until his retirement for physical disability on 4 April 1957.

On 27 September 1924, Jeff married his cadet sweetheart, Mary Camilla Werner, of Brooklyn, N.Y. His classmates will be interested to remember that the wedding ceremony was performed by our former cadet chaplain, Clayton E. Wheat, and that our good friend and classmate, Lew Morton, acted as best man.

In addition to his widow, Jeff is survived by a son, Paul James Jefferies, USMA 1955. —A classmate

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### Harry Taylor Cavanaugh

NO. 7410 CLASS OF 1924

Died 26 March 1962 at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, aged 61 years.

HARRY TAYLOR CAVENAUGH was born on 18 September 1900, the eldest of four sons in a true Army family. His grandfather, father, uncles, brothers, and sons served and are serving their country with distinguished military records. Traveling and changing schools many times did not keep him from making West Point and, cavalier-like, taking it in stride. His roommate during Plebe summer and the four years thereafter was Dennis Milton Moore from Ada, Okla. It was a pleasant, friendly and relaxed room. I well remember the good friendships which Harry engendered.

Graduation in 1924 found Harry, as his father before him, going into the Cavalry. However, Harry's yen for a civilian engineering career caused him at graduation to move down the river a few miles and work during graduation leave on the Bear Mountain Bridge. Shortly after graduation he married a very fine young lady, Miss Ruth Andrews, of Yonkers, N.Y., whom he had squired at West Point.

Harry served at Fort Myer for about a year and then chose civilian life for good.

His years in civilian life were devoted to various aspects of architectural and industrial engineering. Harry was a creative engineer rather than an administrative or field operations man. Harry's good mind, his drawing board, and one or more draftsmen were his tools. He was a pioneer in oil-gas pipeline designing. He used his engineering talents on designing chemical plants during the breakout in techniques of chemical processing. During World War II he was selected to work on the development of the atomic bomb, first at Danville and later at Oak Ridge. Among other challenging projects on which Harry worked were the building of the Eighth Avenue Subway in New York City, the Nestle Company in New Jersey, and Charles Pfizer Company in Pennsylvania.

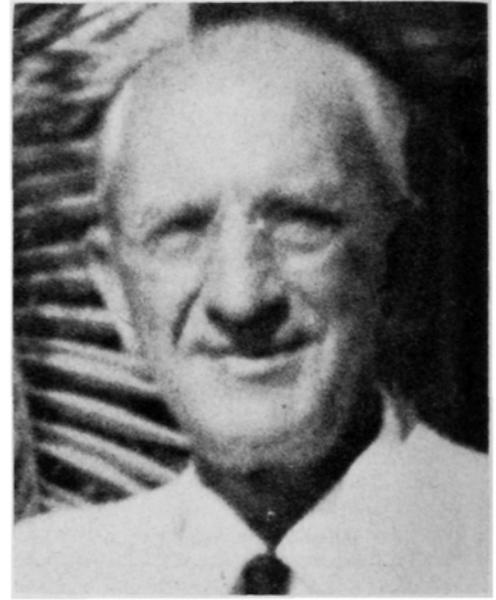
During the war years Ruth, his wife and mother of their three fine sons, died. In the

mid 1950's he married Miss Helen DeMott who gave much love and comfort to Harry during his years of ill health and declining strength. They divided their time between her home in metropolitan New York and Fort Lauderdale where Harry found the winters more comfortable.

It would be difficult when describing Harry's fortunes not to remark about his fine sons. The eldest son, another Harry Cavanaugh, enlisted in the Marines early in World War II at the age of 16 or barely 17 years. He served in the 24th Regiment, 4th Marine Division, throughout. He can wear when he chooses the Purple Heart with two gold stars. He was cited for bravery and given a Bronze Star with the Combat "V" thereon. His unit received two Presidential citations and young Harry later received another Bronze Star.

The second son, Michael, graduated from the Military Academy in 1956 and at the time of Harry's death was a captain, Infantry, a qualified paratrooper, serving with the 1st Cavalry Division in Korea. The young captain hitchhiked from Korea to Arlington Cemetery in the dynamic manner of the 1960's, that is, by jet from place to place, always headed towards his father's graveside.

Allen, the youngest son, was named for Lieutenant Allen A. Cavanaugh, who graduated from West Point in 1925 and was drowned in 1930 in a heroic rescue attempt. Harry's son, Allen, is an accomplished pian-



ist. After serving in the Air Force he is becoming well established in the entertainment world.

Harry Taylor Cavanaugh died in Fort Lauderdale on 26 March 1962, of a mercifully swift coronary attack after a long siege of angina pectoris.

There were memorial services at Fort George G. Meade where Harry's brother, Colonel Robert Cavanaugh, Medical Corps, is stationed. The services were attended by all the officers of the Second Army Medical Laboratory and all the medical and dental officers of Headquarters, Second Army. His ashes were interred in Arlington near the graves of his mother and father. Harry's three sons and brother were with Helen, his widow, for this last ceremony.

The author of this obituary was also a roommate for a year at the Academy. I knew many members of Harry's family. Harry was a strong link in a solid, warm-hearted family which continues to serve our country.

—Deck Reynolds '24

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## Samuel Wayne Smithers

NO. 7558 CLASS OF 1924

Died 24 December 1960 at Columbus, Georgia, aged 62 years.

COLONEL SAMUEL WAYNE SMITHERS, "Sam" to his many friends, passed away on 24 December 1960. His memory will live on and on to those who knew and loved him.

Sam was born in Kalispell, Mont., on 2 June 1898, a son of Charles Smithers and Kathrine Owens. The stories he told of his childhood on Flathead Lake and the hills and forests of Montana were fascinating to his children who pictured him as a true cowboy and a bear hunter.

In 1916 he joined the Montana National Guard and during World War I went to France as a bandsman in the Army. Upon his return from overseas at the war's end, he entered the University of Montana. During his first year he received a principal appointment to West Point, and started his long trip to West Point and a career as an officer in the US Army. Only twice during the remainder of his lifetime did he return to Montana.

Sam entered West Point with a suitcase in one hand and his trombone in the other and has been known by his friends and classmates for that trombone ever since. Sam used to tell of the time when, as a Plebe, he played at the company cat's funeral and in the Hundredth Night plays. During his four years at West Point he excelled in track and was a member of the football team. Graduated as a second lieutenant of Infantry, he was always a staunch supporter of the Military Academy and proud of the fact that he was a member of the Thundering Herd, that famous Class of 1924.

While at Fort Benning on his first tour he met and married a Columbus girl, Martha Emily Scarbrough. Martha and Sam were well known in the Army and lived a full and happy life. Martha died in Columbus after Sam had retired from the service.

After tours of duty at Fort George Wright in Washington State, Hawaii in the 24th Infantry and PMS&T duty, and in the 3d Infantry at Fort Snelling, Minn., Sam decided to try something different and in 1937 transferred to the Quartermaster Corps. Assignments to the Quartermaster school in Philadelphia, and later Fort Lee, Va., as both a student and as an instructor, followed. In 1942 he went to Europe as Quartermaster of the Western Base Section, Services of Supply, and later, Quartermaster of the Advance Section, Communications Zone in the European Theater of Operations. For outstanding achievement in supplying Quartermaster items in direct support of campaigns through Normandy, Northern France, and Germany, he was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Belgian Croix de Guerre.

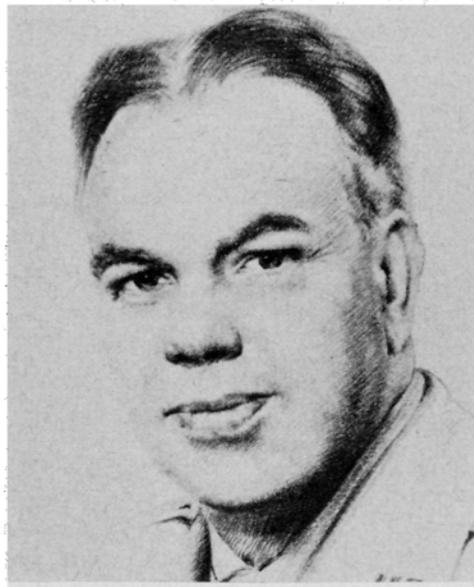
Upon his return to the States in 1945, he was assigned first to the Chicago Quartermaster Depot and later as chief of the Purchase Policy Branch in the office of the Quartermaster General. In 1947 he returned to Germany where he served as Constabulary quartermaster, acting chief quartermaster of the European Command, and subsequently commanding officer of the Munich Quartermaster Depot.

In 1950, a short time after his return to the United States, Sam retired after 28 years of devoted and valuable service to the nation. He and Martha settled in Columbus, Ga.,

among many friends, both military and civilian. He began a new and successful career in life insurance. His success in this field can be attested to by the fact that for three years he was a member of the Million Dollar Round Table of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

He also became quite active in the civilian community affairs of Columbus. He was chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, commander of the Military Order of the World Wars, and vice president of the West Point Society of Columbus-Fort Benning. He was active as a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Muscogee Country Chapter of the American Red Cross, and the Association of the US Army. He also served on the board of directors of the recently established National Bank of Fort Benning.

In 1960 Sam met and married Lucy Watson Huffman of Columbus, who was a joy to him during the last year of his life. This marriage brought together two families with strong Army ties, for Lucy's two children are in the Army. Her son is Colonel Burnside Huffman, USMA 1941, and his wife Marka is the daughter of one of Sam's close friends, John F. Uncles (Lt. Gen. Ret). Lucy's daughter, Patsy Ann, is the wife of Lieutenant Colonel James L. Packman, now in Monterey, Calif.



Besides his widow, Lucy, who lives in Columbus, Sam is survived by a brother, Charles Owen Smithers, of Butte, Mont. and three children: Sam Jr., USMA 1950, stationed in Washington, D.C.; Charles of Sacramento, Calif., an employee of the California State Legislature; and Martha, known to her friends as "Missy," and now teaching in the schools at Fort Benning.

Sam lived a dedicated life but one filled with the joys of living. He was a good soldier, loyal friend, and a devoted husband and father. One of his favorite summations of life is the verse by F. Collis Wildman:

"Remember This"

"Be good, but not too good—a little naughty, but not too naughty. Say a prayer if you feel that way, say Damn if it gives you consolation. Be kind to the world always, if possible—yet if you must be unkind, smash right and left, get it over and forget it.

"Smile, always smile, have a smile ready even though sometimes it hurts. Grab all the happiness you can—whenever and wherever you can—don't let even a wee bit slip past

you. Live, above all things live, don't simply exist.

"If you are blessed enough to know what real love is, love with all your heart, soul and body.

"Live your life so that any hour you will be able to shake hands with yourself and try to accomplish at least one thing worth while each day. Then when your nights come you will be able to pull up the covers and say to yourself—

"I have done my best."

—S.W.S., Jr.

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## William Everton Pheris III

NO. 7794 CLASS OF 1925

Died 21 July 1960 at Weems, Virginia, aged 57 years.

COLONEL WILLIAM E. PHERIS was a quiet, scholarly soldier—one of the finest men to graduate in our Class. Perhaps I had the pleasure of knowing Bill longer and better than any other classmate. Both being "tin school" protegés (Bill graduated from Western Military Academy in 1921), we became friends at an ROTC camp at Camp Custer, Mich., in July 1920. Both then aspiring to attend West Point, it was not too surprising when we renewed our camp acquaintance, with our necks back, as we drew mattresses at the Cadet Store.

Thus started a long and lasting friendship with Bill. I am positive that our Class as a whole never knew the depth of his sterling character, the sincerity of his devotion to right principles, his loyalty to family, Class, Alma Mater, Country, and his God.

Bill was an alert cadet. His academic work was not a drudgery. His excellent physique made him a natural athlete. He was religious, and thus a serious-natured person. It was then to be expected that on graduation he would rank well up in his Class and have been a leader in intramural athletics and class activities, all through the same quiet determination that made Bill Pheris the man he was.

As a flanker he was assigned to M Company, where he remained his full cadet time with stripes of a corporal and a sergeant gracing his sleeves. Bill was an Infantryman. He could have selected another branch, but that was not his desire. After graduation, his first station was Fort Sheridan, Ill. This brought Bill back near his home town of Evanston where his family had lived when he was a young boy. Here he had known Dottie, his OAO and later his beloved wife, although they were not destined to meet again until years later at Governors Island, N.Y. During his first year's service at Sheridan, Bill's dad passed away; and his mother, whom many of us remember so fondly, was to make her home with him until he married his OAO nine years later.

Following his Sheridan service, he was selected for the Signal School; and after graduating, again in the upper bracket, he and his mother joined about eight of us of the Class of 1925 boarding the old transport *Grant* for a great trip from New York, through the Canal, to Hawaii and Guam for station in the Philippines. Bill enjoyed his Philippine days with the 45th Infantry and, as he later said, was pleased to return there during World War II where he was present at the Liberation and later at the Independence ceremonies.

After two years in the Tropics, Bill and his mother returned to the United States through the Suez and Europe, spending a most enjoyable and educational three months leave enroute.

The Chemical Warfare School claimed Bill on his return, and on graduation in 1932 he was ordered to Fort Benning, Ga.

For nine years Bill had remained a bachelor, living with his mother. While on leave in 1934 he married his OAO and boyhood sweetheart, Miss Dorothy deBerard of Hillsdale, Ill., and returned with her to Benning. There began the happiest years of his career, "his married life with Dottie," who having been "Miss Martha Logan" of Swift & Company, was a charming person and a wonderful cook.

After their graduation from the Infantry School in 1935, the Pherises served a pleasant tour in Panama, where the first of their two children, a son, William E. Pheris IV, was born. Bill IV, yet a baby, was destined to graduate from Annapolis and, at the time of Bill's passing, to be an ensign junior grade in the Naval Air arm.

Arriving back in the US after having transferred to the Quartermaster in Panama, young Captain Pheris was ordered to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. Here he and Dottie were blessed with their second child, Dorothy Sandra, born in 1938, and their happy little family was complete.

During the next few years, after various assignments in the Quartermaster Corps and normal promotions in grade, Bill was selected to be an Air Quartermaster in the headquarters of the US Air Force. Shortly after 1943 he was promoted to colonel and made Staff Quartermaster of the 13th Air Force in the Pacific, in which position he continued during World War II, serving in the campaigns of New Guinea to the liberation of the Philippines and the fall of Japan. Bill was present when Colonel J. F. Holland, our Class, was killed on the Halmaheras, and was the first to give the details on John's untimely death.

Bill's war service was highly commendable, as he was one, regardless of physical sacrifices, to see positively that the men of the 13th Air Force received the vital supplies necessary to continue their aggressive assault. He told me later that he often felt that he spent more hours in the air, continuously traveling and inspecting his far-flung bases (which often extended as much as 5,000 miles) than he did on the ground during these war years. He was repeatedly decorated and commended for his gallant services by the Air Force.

After the war he was assigned as chief of the Procurement Office in New York from 1947 to 1950, and in 1951 he was selected as assistant chief of staff of the Joint Task Force III which conducted the Eniwetok A-Bomb tests. Finally he became chief of procurement in the office of the Quartermaster General in Washington, D.C. In this position he had the tremendous task of combining the procurement agencies of the Armed Forces. Unsparring of his time and self, he pushed too hard, and in February 1953 he suffered his first heart attack. Upon medical recommendations he was transferred to Fort Lee in September of that year and made Inspector General. Bill would have preferred to stay on the job in Washington, or would have accepted the position of instructor at the War College, which was also considered. But he was better off, for the sake of his physical condition, following the medico's recommendations, as two

happy years passed before he was retired after his second heart attack in 1955.

Bill was tendered a fitting retirement ceremony, followed by a lovely luncheon at historic Appomatox Manor, Hopewell, Va., which had known Grant and Lincoln and is the present home of close friends.

During Bill's 30 years' service, he served 11 in the Infantry and 19 in the Quartermaster Corps. He was officially retired for physical disability on 12 June 1955, after 30 years' faithful service.

And it was a happy occasion for all of us present to see both Bill and Dottie looking hale and hearty at our 30th year reunion at West Point.

Looking ahead toward retirement, Bill and Dottie had purchased in 1954 a lovely, large home, with 25 surrounding acres situated on the green banks of the softly flowing Rappahannock, known as Orchard Point, just on the outskirts of the little village of Weems, Va.

Even though Bill was retired because of several slight heart attacks, there is no question that he and Dottie spent the most pleasant years of their lives during the next five.



They busied themselves improving their lovely farm and enjoying the quiet, beneficial life of the small community of Weems. Dottie and Bill were active in all community affairs, and Bill was particularly interested in the tremendous history of the surrounding country. They boated and fished, raised their sheep, studied and read, and Bill especially took a deep interest in the religious activities of the nearby historical old Christ Church, which dated back to 1732. So that the old, original silver communion service could be preserved, Bill purchased and presented to this fine old church a magnificent new communion service.

Probably their greatest enjoyment came from visits of their son Bill IV, and Sandy, their daughter, during school vacations and after they were married as the grandchildren came along. We can particularly imagine that there were some keen discussions between Bill Pheris III and Bill Pheris IV during the football season.

Bill loved his home and his family, and he was generous to a fault, a most unselfish man. Being really a great student, he was a splendid conversationalist. He and Dottie made many wonderful friends in and about Weems.

Dottie tells us that as he passed away on Thursday morning, 21 July 1960, he was

looking at her with a smile on his face. He was buried at Arlington in the presence of his classmates.

Dottie and her charming mother still make their home at Orchard Point. Ensign William Everton Pheris IV, a Naval flier, with his wife and his son William Everton V, are stationed at North Island Naval Base, San Diego. Sandra DeWald, with her husband and three lovely daughters, resides in Raleigh, N.C.

—J.P.C., a classmate

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## William Joseph Phelan

NO. 8159

CLASS OF 1927

Died 9 May 1962 at Royal Oak, Michigan,  
aged 57 years.

WILLIAM JOSEPH PHELAN—Joe to his classmates and all but a handful of his Army friends, Bill to his family, "Smoky Joe" to some of the men who fought with him—was an officer and a gentleman whose greatheartedness and generosity of spirit were the insignia of his stature.

Born in Waterbury, Conn., the youngest of eight children, he never lost the steadfastness and absolute dependability nurtured in him by family loyalty. After grammar and high school in Waterbury, and a year at Marion Institute in Alabama, where a certain climate of commotion was apt to surround his activities, he swung into West Point, where he went through his four years as a cadet with an undimmed optimism, an untamable enthusiasm, and a joie de vivre indescribable to those who did not know him, unforgettable by those who did.

Upon graduating, he chose the Air Force, but a back broken in an automobile accident when he was on his way to Kelly Field changed his branch of service to the Infantry. It was while he was a patient at Walter Reed Hospital with that broken back that the incident of the theater attendance occurred. No one who ever heard Joe tell that story is likely to forget it either: the temporary, petrified cessation of all action on the stage while he and two similarly-endowed fellow patients—one with a broken leg, the other a broken neck—complete with appropriate casts, clanged, clumped, and squeaked down the aisle to seats in the third row. In a sense, that incident epitomized Joe's ideas of how to deal with any curves which came his way.

Joe's tours of duty took him to Fort Ontario, New York, the Philippines and Panama, Forts Benning, Warren, McClellan, Knox, and Leavenworth; Camps Campbell, Claibourn, and Polk. After taking the Tank Course at Fort Benning in 1936-1937, he was assigned to duty at Fort McClellan, Ala., as commander of one of the four tank companies then activated in the Army. It was here that Joe, working in this field of comparative experimentation with these new and largely unproved vehicles of warfare, designed and constructed, with the help of his master sergeant, a rocking platform, subsequently used at Fort Benning in training gunners to fire from a moving tank. From then on, with the exception of a tour at Fort Clayton in the Panama Canal Zone as an Infantryman, Joe was a part of the Armored forces of the Army, and tanks took the place of the airplanes he had originally chosen.

He went overseas as a major in September 1944, commanding the 714th Tank Battalion

of the 12th Armored Division, but went into action as the commander of a task force which operated in turn with the armies of Generals Patton, Simpson, and Patch. Medals earned during this service included the Bronze Star and Croix de Guerre with Silver Gilt Star. He was wounded at Heerlisheim, Germany, in January 1945, evacuated to England and then to the States, and spent two years in Cushing Hospital at Framingham, Mass. During his convalescence he served as assistant PMS&T at Harvard University. He was retired for physical disability, with the rank of colonel, in February 1947.

After his retirement, Joe continued working for the Government, at the Detroit Ordnance Arsenal, where he became chief of the Security and Intelligence Branch. Of his work at this installation, which is part of the Ordnance Tank Automotive Command in Detroit, the commanding officer wrote at the time of Joe's death:

"Joe had successfully changed from an outstanding combat soldier, as typified by his war record, to a very fine civil servant. He . . .



performed Herculean efforts in the security operations of this installation."

Back in 1928, when Joe reported for duty at Fort Ontario, N.Y., he met Betty Sloan, the daughter of his battalion commander. They were married in June 1933, and of their four children, the two youngest are at home with Betty in Royal Oak, Mich. Cecilia is in the eighth grade at the Shrine of the Little Flower School, and Peter a sophomore at the University of Detroit. Bill, the oldest, a graduate in civil engineering from the University of Detroit, now lives with his wife and son in New Jersey; young Betty, who was graduated from Marymount College in Tarrytown, N.Y., in 1960, is working for the Guild Press in New York City.

The end came for Joe at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak early one Friday morning. He had been in the hospital just under three weeks. He left with his doctor and nurses the same memory of courage, strength, humor and that wonderful and rare joyousness that he left as a legacy to his family, gave to his friends, and with which he served his country. So, in Joe's case, it seems not only natural and logical, but unquestionable that in those last moments he was hearing his Father's voice: A good job, well done. But it is finished now. Come home.

—E.S.P.

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## Robert Pennell

NO. 11743 CLASS OF 1939

Died 19 December 1961 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, aged 47 years.

ROBERT PENNELL was born 17 December 1914, at Fort Sill, Okla., the son of Major General (then 1st Lt., F.A.) (USMA 1906) and Mrs. Ralph M. Pennell, now retired in Lawton, Okla. Bob grew up in a military atmosphere and with the years he enjoyed and appreciated the Army with its responsibility, traditions, and discipline. When only 18, Bob enlisted and was assigned to the 15th Field Artillery Battalion, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for a one-year tour of duty. Upon discharge, to pursue his education, he entered Rice Institute, Houston, Tex. However, Bob's goal was to enter West Point and appointments were unavailable. The story had been told that Bob, while in Washington, D. C., sat at the entrance to the House of Representatives and as congressmen would enter or exit, Bob would approach them for an appointment. His patience and persistence were rewarded, as he received an appointment from a South Carolina congressman.

On 1 July 1935, Bob entered the United States Military Academy as a member of the largest class up to that date. In this new environment, he felt a sense of pride and belonging. While not a brilliant student in academics, Bob had a certain flair for military history and tactics. He had a strong determination to learn the essentials of fighting, combined with the necessary elements of leadership, discipline, faith in the cause, and the performance of one's duties to his country.

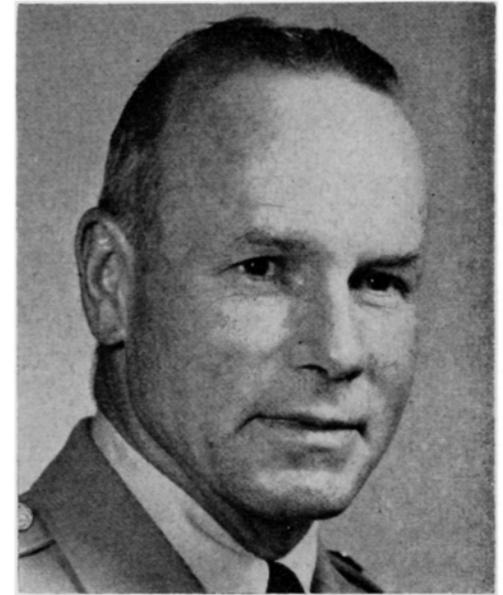
In 1939, Bob graduated and was commissioned a lieutenant in the Infantry. He was assigned to the 57th Infantry (Philippine Scouts), Manila, Philippine Islands. Late in 1940 and early in 1941, dark clouds of war appeared on the horizon and the Philippine Army began to mobilize and expand under General MacArthur into a fighting force. As a company officer, Bob's main task was to instruct officers and noncommissioned officers of this new army at Fort William McKinley, Manila. The program of instruction and training in tactics, weapons, and equipment was intensive, especially for a 2d lieutenant. In November 1941, Bob was transferred from the Infantry to the Artillery Branch and re-assigned to the 24th Field Artillery (Philippine Scouts), Stotsenberg, Luzon. Here he continued to serve as an instructor. A month later, Pearl Harbor came and Bob moved into the battlefield of Bataan.

For five critical months, Bob's unit formed a part of the artillery defensive chain across Bataan which served to stave off the Japanese' initial forward movement toward Marivelles. Early in January 1942, a report indicated that Japanese had infiltrated behind our defensive lines. On receiving this information, Bob organized a patrol and moved into the ABO-ABO River Valley to verify its accuracy. It was there that Bob, locating the enemy, engaged in a skirmish with the Japanese force and had the index finger on his right hand shot off.

On 9 April 1942, Bataan fell and Bob was incarcerated by the Japanese. The Bataan March and the capitulation of Corregidor one month later became history. Cabanatuan, Luzon, was established as the prisoner of war camp in the Philippines.

On 6 November 1942, Bob was in a contingent of 1,500 prisoners of war that left Cabanatuan for Japan. Leaving Manila on board the Nagata Maru, it took 19 days to reach Moji, Japan. Arriving on Thanksgiving Day, the group was immediately transferred to a special train destined for Kobe and Osaka, Japan. Bob detrained with a group that went to Umeda Bunsho of the Mitsubishi Company, Osaka, where for a period of eight months he worked as a stevedore at the freight stations and docks. In August 1943 he was sent to Zentsuji, Shikoku, where he remained until the US Air Force threatened to bomb the Japanese military installations located there. The Japanese authorities then moved the American group to Roku Roshi (near Fukui), Honshu.

It was during the incarceration in Japan that I got to know Bob more intimately. It is disquieting to discover oneself behind a barbed wire fence under the control of the enemy where freedom is snuffed out, at least for the moment; where new anxieties of hunger, fatigue, and tension are created, and the



enemy's course of action is an enigma. In this environment of uncertainties, Bob was equipped with necessary courage and fortitude. Although not a physically strong man, he was endowed with the training and heritage to carry on this phase of battle and endure its hardships. In his energetic, yet quiet and direct way, he took this opportunity of serving others. He assisted, visited, and commiserated with the sick and dying; he helped to carry the dead to their last resting place. When the outlook was bleak with unreasonable rumors and empty stomachs, Bob furnished a bit of humor with witty sketches and prose and tried to lend assurance and strength as confidence in freedom began to slip. Because of his integrity and moral qualities his fellow inmates selected him to ration equally rice and soup issued in buckets. He was enkindled with sympathy and fellowship for all those around him; however, when thoughtless and inconsiderate prisoners illegally acquired food and clothing from their fellowmen, Bob, serving on a board, was able to mete out justice to preserve order and discipline.

During this period of his incarceration, Bob was never heard to complain about his health. On 15 August 1945, the Roku Roshi prisoners of war were notified of their liberation and thus in October, Bob returned to the United States. A physical checkup revealed that Bob had contracted a serious ailment during his

incarceration. For nearly a year, he fought an uphill battle and finally in November 1946, Bob received a clean bill of health and returned to duty.

One of the best medicines for Bob while in the hospital was a Red Cross girl stationed there, Mary Pratt. On 15 November 1946 they were married. It was she who gave him that incentive and reason to live. From the beginning, it was clearly evident that they were designed for each other and deep devotion was a two-way proposition.

After release from the hospital in 1946, Bob was assigned as S-3, 17th Field Artillery Battalion, Fort Sill, Okla., where he attended the Artillery Officers Advance Course. After graduation he was retained as a member of the faculty, Department of Materiel. When the Korean War made its impact on the school, there was a requirement to increase the student capacity and training. Bob's warm personality, dignity, and leadership, as well as his administrative ability to arouse a cooperative atmosphere, helped to reestablish the Department of Motors as part of the Department of Materiel. The task included the acquisition, rehabilitation, and equipping of classrooms, manning platforms with trained instructors, and the crash development of abbreviated programs for instructions. This task completed, he was then assigned to reestablish the Artillery OCS Course.

In 1951, from Fort Sill, Bob went to Command and General Staff College, then to an abbreviated tour at Fort Hood, Tex., and from there to Germany. In Germany he became assistant executive, Hq Division Artillery, 2d Armored Division. In this position he conducted the planning and execution of the Army Field Forces Battalion tests. A year later he was given the command of 756th Field Artillery Battalion.

In June 1954, he returned to the United States and served as chief and action officer in the Training Branch, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, 8534th DU, Washington, D. C., until June 1957. His next assignment was USARPAC (Japan), where he took over duties as detachment executive officer and Artillery advisor with US Army Element, MAAG, Japan. Only 12 years before, Bob was released from the Japanese prisoner of war camp; now he was back again in Japan, this time assisting them in a military big-brother role. It can be said that charity in Bob flowed to over-abundance and he worked toward all that was noble and worthy.

After returning to the United States in June 1961, he was assigned to attend the US Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. It was during this period that cancer struck, admitting him to Walter Reed Hospital. Although from the first the outcome looked black, Bob remained undaunted, facing the uncertainties of the future with magnificent courage and optimism. And he did return to the War College to finish the course and graduate with his class in June 1961.

He was authorized the Silver Star; the Bronze Star Medal; First Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal; American Defense Service Medal with Foreign Service Clasp; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with one Bronze Service Star for the Philippine Islands Campaign; World War II Victory Medal; Army of Occupation Medal with Germany Clasp; National Defense Service Medal; Combat Infantryman Badge; Distinguished Unit Emblem with two Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters; Philippine Defense Ribbon with one Bronze Service Star; Marksman Badge with

Pistol Bar; and Philippine Presidential Unit Citation Badge.

From the Army War College, he was re-assigned to duties as Chief, Artillery Tactics Division, Tactics & Combined-Arms Department, Artillery and Missile School, and Chief Resident Instructor at Fort Sill. However, his illness continued to plague him and he began to deteriorate rapidly. On 2 November 1961, Bob was retired on physical disability. The curtain then began to close for Bob and on 19 December 1961, two days after his 47th birthday, he proudly assumed his place in the Long Gray Line. He died at the Fort Sill Army Hospital and was laid to rest in the Post Cemetery, Fort Sill.

Bob is survived by Mary and three wonderful children—two sons, Robert and Michael; one daughter, Robin—all who give her the necessary courage to carry on. In addition to his family and parents, Bob is survived by two sisters—Mrs. Norma Boyd, wife of Colonel R. K. Boyd (Ret) and Mrs. Elizabeth Leahy, wife of Colonel O. A. Leahy.

Of Bob it may be said; he would rather do a kind deed, be it ever so simple than to take his ease; find something interesting in every disagreeable task and be patient in those moments when his soul was sore and beset. In this way, he maintained the Honor of the Corps untarnished and unshined.

—Lt. Col. S. C. Farris

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### Bruce McCheane Barnard, Jr.

NO. 15012 CLASS OF 1945  
Died 21 February 1962 at El Paso, Texas,  
aged 40 years.



BRUCE MCCHEANE BARNARD, JR., died in El Paso on 21 February 1962 following a coronary occlusion. He had celebrated his 40th birthday the preceding November. Surviving Bruce are his wife, Frances Roderick Barnard; their three children: Frances (16), Bruce III (14), and Mary Olga (8); and his mother, Mrs. Bruce M. Barnard of Shiprock, N. Mex.

Bruce's life can be best described as a long series of outstanding successes. Prior to entering the Military Academy, Bruce had been the cadet colonel at New Mexico Military Institute. On Graduation Day at West Point, he and Frannie were married in the Cadet Chapel. The Coast Artillery then sent them to Japan for two years. While there, Bruce

was selected for the US Pentathlon Squad in 1948, but an injury prevented him from competing in the Olympics. He resigned from the Army in 1949 and settled in El Paso.

Bruce's first civilian assignment was as manager of a radio station. In his tenure, the one station was developed into a chain of stations covering the entire Southwest. When the network was sold, Bruce became involved in the establishment and development of the Northgate Shopping Center in El Paso. This project reached successful maturity in 1961.

El Paso recognized Bruce as one of its leaders by electing him a director of the Chamber of Commerce. The El Paso Herald-Post described Bruce editorially as a man of "vigor, enthusiasm, vision and courage," and "a community leader of great usefulness."

But Bruce's life was not one merely of successes. He was also a man of love, humility, and benevolence. He established a scholarship at New Mexico Military Institute in memory of a classmate, Lester A. (Spike) Sprinkle, also USMA 1945. Bruce served frequently and usefully as a director of the Radford School for Girls. His participation in support of the El Paso Treatment Center and the Del Norte Club resulted in his election to the presidency of these organizations. He was vice president and director of the El Paso Times, and vice president and director of the Northgate National Bank.

Bruce's loss to his family, his city, and his friends is irreplaceable. But the happiness, devotion, and love he brought to them will serve them throughout their lives.

—John B. MacWherter '45

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### Frank Peter Christensen, Jr.

NO. 17560 CLASS OF 1950  
Died 13 February 1951 in Korea, aged 23 years.

CHRIS WAS BORN on 11 October 1927, in Honolulu, Hawaii, and spent the normal abnormal life of an Army brat moving from place to place. The son of a distinguished Army officer, Chris decided to follow in his father's footsteps. Chris entered West Point in July 1946 to become a member of the Class of 1950. His mature demeanor and steady influence were soon felt by his classmates and friends who were not quite so well prepared for the rigors of Plebe year. He was always cheerful and optimistic, and a number of men from the Class of 1950 owe Chris a debt of gratitude for helping them through those dark days of Beast Barracks when the urge to quit was strong.

Chris was elected honor representative from our company which is tribute enough to his unquestioned integrity. Throughout his four years at the Academy his natural intelligence allowed him to stand high in his class and at the same time devote most of his time to coaching his friends. Chris was one of the most genuinely liked members of D-2 Company by both his classmates and those in classes above and below him. His norm was a friendly nod and grin when you passed him, and always a little personal greeting.

He was uniformly respected throughout the company for his ability to get a job done. The nature of the task was really immaterial, since he attacked all problems with confidence and quickly reduced them to their simplest components. He was similarly respected by the Tactical Department, as was evidenced by his duties and the rank of cadet lieutenant which was awarded him First Class year.

Chris volunteered for jump school when he graduated and once again took things in his stride. But events were taking place that were soon to end his short but dedicated career. After jump school, Chris volunteered for Korea. He was assigned to Company F, 7th Infantry Regiment of the 3d Division near Seoul. In Korea, Chris demonstrated his extreme devotion to duty by displaying conspicuous courage and bravery. On 10 February 1951, his platoon was assigned the mission of rescuing a patrol that was pinned down and unable to move. As his platoon neared the beleaguered patrol, intense small arms and automatic weapons fire halted his unit and wounded one of his men. With com-

est periods of our lives. Those of us who knew him so well try to disbelieve that we have lost such an outstanding friend.

Dave grew up in Reno, Nev. He entered the Army after graduation from high school and immediately found that this was his calling. He obtained an appointment to West Point and arrived on the West Shore Railroad in July 1946. During the next four years, Dave displayed a sincere warmth and devotion to his family and friends. To be a friend of Dave's was to participate in rare comradeship. Although Dave is no longer with us, much of him remains. There is never a reminiscence about old Company I-1 that does not include him. Why? Because Dave had such an influence on all he met. He quickly achieved eminence in the eyes of everyone he encountered, and he abides supremely in the hearts of those of us who were fortunate enough to be called friend by him.

Few of us have the capability to extract as much out of life as Dave did. He took each day as it came and lived it to its fullest. In his 25 years, Dave lived a far richer life than most who endure years longer. His love of life was contagious. You just wanted to be around him and share his enthusiasm. Dave made the ultimate sacrifice for the way of life he so dearly appreciated. On 17 July 1953, just a few days before the end of the Korean War, Dave was killed in action. Again, he was living this day to its fullest when he was killed. For his action in ousting a squad of Chinese Communists from the trenches by hand-to-hand combat, he received the Silver Star.

Dave returned home to Reno, Nev., on 30 September 1953, with Bill Magill as escort. Services were held in October, and burial was in the veterans' section of the Mt. View Cemetery.

Dave's father wrote, "Dave would have been very proud and probably embarrassed to think that so many people would make so much fuss over him." In memory of Dave, his friends contributed a window to his church.



plete disregard for his own safety, he crawled across an open area to the wounded man, and although completely exposed to heavy fire, shielded the soldier with his own body while administering first aid. Then, he carried the wounded man 50 yards back through intense automatic fire to the comparative safety of his own platoon. For the above action, Chris was posthumously awarded the Silver Star. This act typified his selfless attitude and regard for his fellow man. Three days later, on 13 February, Chris was instantly killed in action, having sacrificed his life in the defense of his country.

Chris is survived by his father and mother, Colonel and Mrs. Frank P. Christensen of Sunnyvale, Calif.; his brother Robert of Trenton, N.J.; and his sister, Mrs. Lois Roberts of Washington, D.C.

To those who knew Chris, knew of his enthusiasm and intense interest in his work, as well as his love of life and people; it will always be difficult to understand why he should have been taken from us at the beginning of his career. He was laid to rest in the Post Cemetery at West Point. In the brief space of a few combat days the Army lost a fine and talented officer, and all who knew him lost a wonderful friend.

-J.F.B.

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### Stanley David Osborne

NO. 17704

CLASS OF 1950

Died 17 July 1953 in Korea, aged 25 years.

WE TRY TO FORGET the unpleasant and remember the happy periods of our life. So it is with Dave. Our years of close association with him are cherished as one of the bright-



Little can be added to a tribute written by one of Dave's fellow officers in the 187th Regimental Combat Team. "Dave spent a wonderful year in the 187th, during which time he impressed those around him, his superiors, contemporaries, and their dependents as being an officer of outstanding efficiency, understanding, and generosity. In short, everybody liked him. He was a fine officer and a great guy."

-Lou Prentiss

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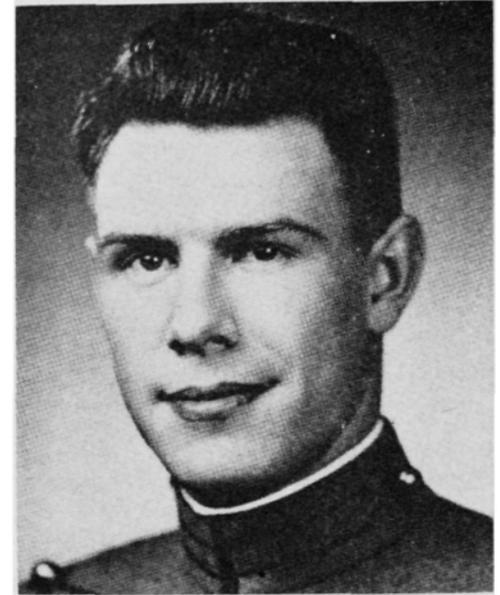
### Frank Riley Loyd, Jr.

NO. 18013

CLASS OF 1950

Died 26 September 1950 in Korea, aged 22 years.

FRANK LOYD was born and reared in the Infantry and no queen ever had more gallant service than Frank gave to the blue-scarfed, valiant Queen of Battles. He was born at Fort Sam Houston on 20 April 1928, the son of an Infantry officer. With his younger sister he grew up on Infantry posts and was intrigued by the drill formations and parades. It is easy to imagine him, at retreat, one of



many little boys, washed and brushed, watching as the long shadows grew on the parade ground, dreaming of being a soldier.

Eventually, in 1940, his father was stationed in the Philippines. Frank and his mother and sister returned to the USA with the other dependents and settled in San Antonio before the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. Colonel Loyd fought the long battle for the Philippines, but was never captured by the Japanese. He remained free in the jungles of the Philippine Islands for three and a half years of Japanese occupation, a feat requiring no small amount of resourcefulness and courage. Finally, as the fighting passed, he walked into Manila, boarded a ship, and returned to his family after over four years of separation.

Frank was fired by the example of his father's exploits in the Philippines. He sought diligently to obtain an appointment to USMA and after considerable legwork in the halls of the Senate and House Office Buildings and after many conferences with congressmen, he entered in July 1946. Although appreciative of the need for a college education, he came to West Point determined to be a soldier's soldier; he came to learn the service of the blue-scarfed Queen. For four years the bi-weekly tactics classes and the summer tactical training held far more interest for Frank than the academic courses. During his last three years at West Point he gained two roommates who were very strongly oriented toward the Armored Force. There were many lively discussions about the relative merits of the two branches of service. Despite the odds against him, he never wavered in his devotion.

Infantry was the passion and purpose of his life, but Frank had other pursuits. He learned to fly while still in high school and

had a private pilot's license. Planes always fascinated him, but he gave up a desire to join the Air Force in favor of the Infantry. He learned very early to enjoy an outdoor life. He became an accomplished fisherman and hunter. During his cadet days he fished at every opportunity and when he was not fishing, he could be found in his room tending his line and equipment. Since cadets have little opportunity for hunting he became interested in rifle competition. In his last year at West Point, he received from his father a target rifle which became his prized possession.

Frank always displayed a warmth and a liking for people that never failed to win friends. As a boy in San Antonio he developed lasting friendships with other sons of Army officers. Several of them became classmates at West Point. As a Plebe he built still more friendships. Even the upperclassmen seldom failed to react to his likable, easy-going manner. As an upperclassman he carried out his responsibilities in his easy good-natured way. He was a good friend and a good companion, enthusiastic and interested in others.

Frank's boyhood and maturing years prepared him for Infantry leadership and on 6 June 1950 he was graduated a 2d lieutenant of Infantry. Later that month the Korean War broke out and Frank had his graduation leave shortened and received orders to Korea as a replacement. He joined Company B, 35th Infantry, as a platoon leader. On 26 September 1950, a 2d lieutenant for less than four months, he was with his company on Task Force Dolvin when he formed and led an attack that was both daring and imaginative. His company, which had been riding on tanks, had become pinned down with heavy sniper and automatic weapons fire from a hill to the right. Frank was riding near the rear of the column and realized that for his company to proceed with its mission, the enemy must be driven from the commanding ground. He formed an attacking force of 15 men and led it in an assault on the hill. His attacking force itself became pinned down from extremely heavy enemy fire and hand grenades. Exemplifying the Men of Harlock—"... He is bravest, he who leads us..." Frank, armed with a pistol and his display of bravery and courage, led his men in a final assault that overran the enemy position causing 150 enemy to abandon their well-fortified positions. In the final action of overrunning the positions Frank sacrificed his life. For gallantry, undaunted courage and inspiring leadership, Frank was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

Frank Loyd's family, his friends, the Long Gray Line, and the Queen of Battles have suffered a severe loss. His sacrifice, however, adds to the tradition of heroism and courage that made and has kept our country free.

—Philip B. Samsen '50

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### Sammy Howard Cardwell

NO. 21715 CLASS OF 1958

Died 22 February 1961 in an aircraft accident off Okinawa Island, aged 24 years.

SAMMY HOWARD CARDWELL—"Strictly top notch," according to the write-up under his graduation picture of the Class of 1958, top-notch in "aptitude, academics or rock and roll." He loved friends and had many who returned that love to him.

It is with great bereavement that I, his beloved wife for such a short time, write of the instant death of Sammy when his plane dived into the East China Sea off Okinawa on 22 February 1961, while heading back to Kadena Air Force Base after a routine training mission.

Sammy was born 10 November 1936 to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. (Jack) Cardwell of Palo Pinto, Tex. Even as a child he was a leader, having constantly stayed at the head of his class throughout elementary and secondary school days, finishing as valedictorian of his class at Mineral Wells (Texas) High School. He entered into all the sports and came out



tops. Football was perhaps his favorite sport for he spoke of it often. He gave his all to everything he did.

His determination to do the best he could never left him. He proved his stability and scholarship through West Point from his entrance in the summer of 1954 through graduation in 1958 when his scholastic standing was among the best.

Sammy was always the hit of the party wherever he was. He could and would entertain in any way possible. His favorite pastime was playing his guitar, an ability that was self-taught. I saw him many times with crowds of people around him simply telling jokes and plunking his guitar, or singing songs by the hour and never repeating one. What better love or satisfaction can a person get out of life than to know he is bringing pleasure to others? Sammy spoke to me many times of wanting to give something to humanity to help others, to help our country. This was his goal in life.

You and I who knew Sammy can hold our heads high with pride, knowing he did give something for our country. If it weren't for the job he was performing (along with the many others who have loved and served their country) the United States would not be the great nation it is. Sammy was proud of the job he was doing and, therefore, let us be proud of him.

He was married just four months before his death. It was a very short but complete marriage and lifetime. He spoke to a major just before climbing into his plane that fateful morning and said, "I have never been so completely happy."

Sammy gave his faith and love to God before going about any task. He spoke many times in a very firm voice, "God, please give me the humility to understand Thy ways."

I would like for his friends to join me in pride and respect for I hold my head high knowing he is now serving God in a much greater way.

My deepest love, respect and compassion go to his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Snoddy of Palo Pinto, Tex. Their loss is great but their pride boundless.

"God, please give us the humility to understand Thy ways."

—Mrs. Sammy H. Cardwell

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### Bernard Joseph Battersby

NO. 22394 CLASS OF 1959

Died 6 March 1962 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., aged 28 years.

BORN IN NEW YORK CITY, Lieutenant Battersby grew up in the warmth of a large family—his parents, three sisters and a brother—and in close association with his church. At one period he served as an altar boy and during his cadet years he sang with the Catholic Choir of Trinity Chapel.

Bernie always took advantage of what a metropolitan area has to offer by visiting parks, libraries, museums, the Hayden Planetarium, and various exhibitions. As a boy his hobby was stamp collecting and he left quite an album of stamps and covers to his younger brother when he enlisted in the Army in 1953. He had been graduated from St. Leo's Elementary School, Queens, in 1947 and Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School, Brooklyn in 1951. Through the Regular Army he entered the Prep School at Stewart AFB one



year after his enlistment, and then won his appointment to the Corps of Cadets by elimination examinations. He enjoyed golf and billiards although finding little time to indulge in the games; he derived much pleasure listening to his extensive record collection and tinkering with radio and other electronic equipment.

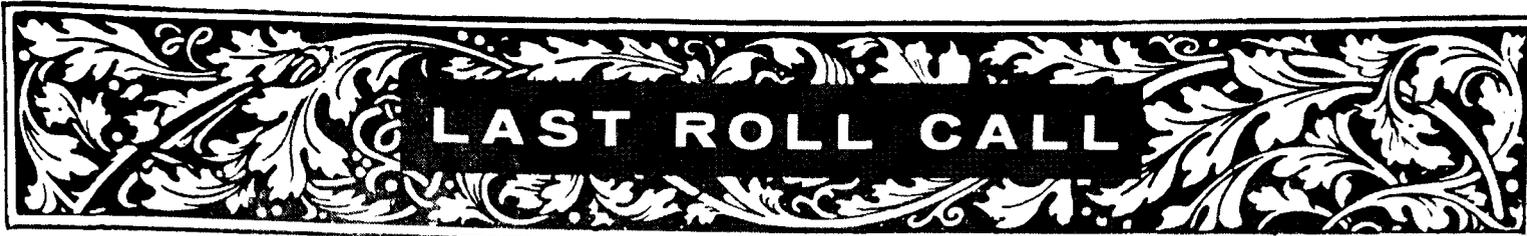
After his graduation from the Academy in 1959 his forte was mathematics. He wrote several articles on the subject and won more than one subscription to publications pertaining thereto.

In 1960 Lieutenant Battersby completed the Ranger course and then served for a year in Korea as an Artillery officer.

Surviving him are his mother, three sisters and brother. His father died in 1957.

—His mother

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Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received  
since the publication of the Summer 1962 ASSEMBLY

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
George A. Lynch.....	1903.....	10 August	1962.....Orlando, Florida
Arthur W. Copp.....	1904.....	30 September	1962.....Columbus, Ohio
James W. Riley.....	1906.....	30 October	1962.....Greenwich, Connecticut
Morgan L. Brett.....	1906.....	2 August	1962.....Reno, Nevada
William E. Lane.....	1906.....	9 July	1962.....Peekskill, New York
Richard E. Cummins.....	1908.....	10 July	1962.....Fort Ord, California
Philip J. Kieffer.....	1911.....	13 July	1962.....Los Angeles, California
Curtis H. Nance.....	1911.....	8 September	1962.....Washington, D. C.
Charles C. Dickinson.....	Ex-1911.....	24 May	1962.....Chico, California
Philip R. Faymonville.....	1912.....	29 March	1962.....San Francisco, California
Albert B. Seitz, Jr.....	Ex-1920.....	16 June	1962.....Washington, D. C.
Haviland Wright.....	Ex-1920.....	16 August	1962.....Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
James W. Clyburn.....	1924.....	20 October	1961.....Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Richard G. Thomas, Jr.....	1924.....	2 July	1962.....MacDill AFB, Florida
Thomas B. Whitted, Jr.....	1925.....	4 July	1962.....Charlotte, North Carolina
Thomas J. Brennan, Jr.....	1928.....	11 September	1957.....Newark, New Jersey
John N. Scoville.....	1933.....	29 July	1962.....Washington, D. C.
Maurice M. Simons.....	1935.....	27 July	1962.....La Jolla, California
Ralph A. Jones, Jr.....	1938.....	2 August	1962.....Naples, Italy
Daniel Salinas.....	1941.....	18 August	1962.....Rawalpindi, Pakistan
Kearie L. Berry, Jr.....	Jan 1943.....	29 July	1962.....Paine AFB, Washington
Ray M. Wagoner, Jr.....	1946.....	17 September	1962.....Paris, France
Dennis D. Whalen.....	1953.....	2 July	1962.....Deggendorf, Germany
Eugene S. Procknal.....	1954.....	3 August	1962.....Pease AFB, New Hampshire
Don J. York.....	1954.....	14 July	1962.....KIA near Saigon, Vietnam
Jimmie D. Fielder.....	1959.....	21 May	1962.....Near Pyote, Texas
David W. Hiester, Jr.....	1961.....	12 September	1962.....Freilaubersheim, Germany

