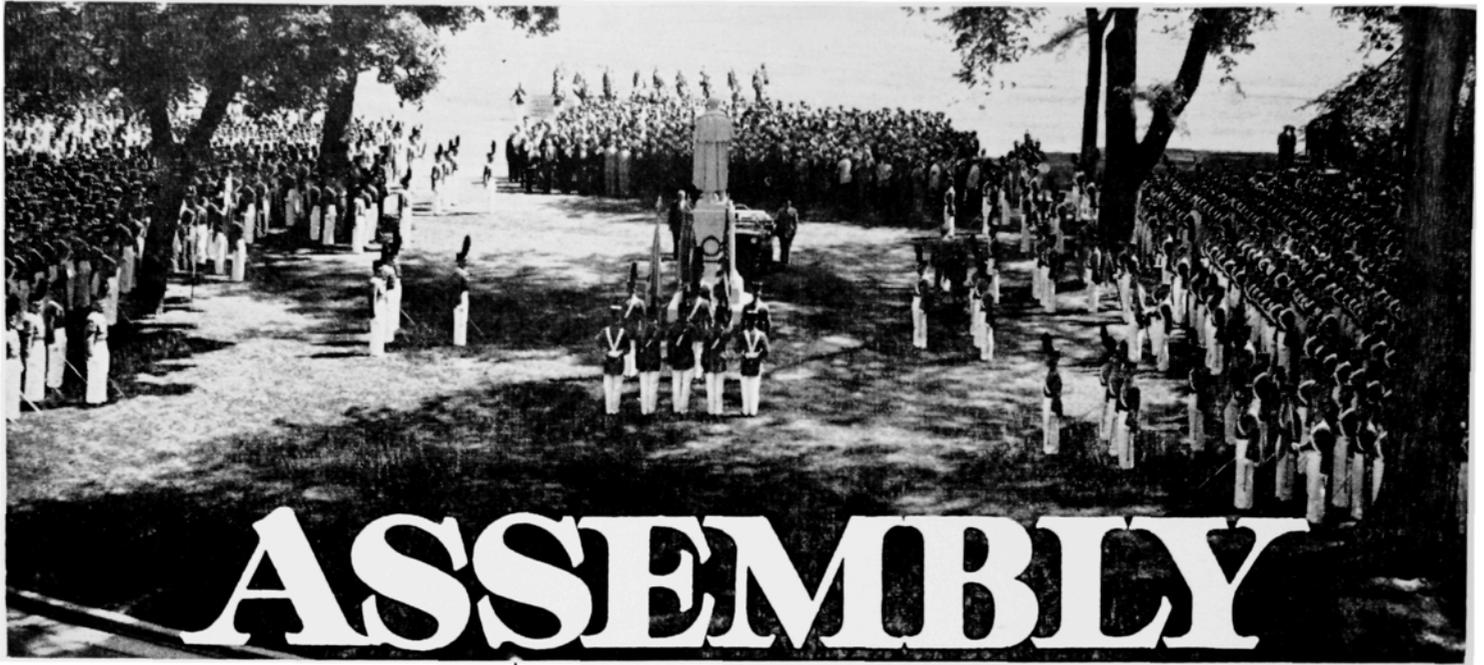


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# PLAIN TALK



Dear Fellow Members of the Association:

On the 14th of March 1949, the Secretary of Defense appointed a Service Academies' Board "to recommend... that general system of basic education which it believes is best adapted to provide all three Services with a sufficient number of young men qualified to meet the needs of the regular Armed Services." This Board, referred to as the Stearns-Eisenhower Board, recommended, in part, "that in times of peace not less than 50% of the planned annual procurement of regular officers for each service should be academy graduates."

Early during my tour as Superintendent, I asked for a reaffirmation of the Department of the Army's approval of the above recommendation. The previous position was reaffirmed on 26 April 1961 establishing a requirement for approximately 900 West Point graduates to be commissioned into the Regular Army each year.

Presently, Military Academy graduates constitute about 25% of the officers commissioned annually in the Regular Army. The Academy, with an authorized strength of approximately 2,500 has admitted, during the last ten years, classes which average 758 new cadets. Of this number, an average of 538 have been graduated each year. With an annual Regular Army requirement for approximately 2,200-2,300 new officers, it was obvious that the size of the Corps would have to be increased in order to meet the established objective.

We have endeavored, therefore, to secure legislation which would enable us to increase the authorized strength of the Corps of Cadets. Several times I have reported in this column on a Bill (HR 7913) that proposed increasing the authorized strength of the Military Academy by 250. This increase would have enabled us to graduate approximately 50 additional officers annually, a modest increase compared with the recommendation of the Stearns-Eisenhower Board, but the cost would have been insignificant since with present facilities and overhead we could handle a Corps of approximately 2,700. Regrettably, HR 7913 died in joint conference of the 87th Congress.

However, legislation to increase the number of graduates of the Service Academies and, additionally, to standardize for each Academy both the categories of nomination and the quota for each category has been developed during the past year for submission to the 88th Congress. Responsibility for developing the legislation (entitled DOD 88-13), was assigned by DOD to the Department of the Air Force. A proposed amendment to Title 10, United States Code, a result of a coordinated effort of the Service Academies and carrying the indorsement of each of the Services, has been submitted to the Department of Defense as proposed legislation. As drafted, it would authorize each Academy, a basic total strength large enough to produce sufficient graduates to attain more nearly the goal of having Academy graduates comprise at least 50% of the Regular officer input. Each of the academies would have a maximum authorized strength of 1,380 for an entering class.

The proposed legislation includes concepts that are new to the Military Academy. All appointments would be on an annual quota basis rather than on a cumulative quota basis. From the Academies' point of view this is highly desirable because it would permit accurate planning with reference to the size of each entering class. Another provision permits interchange of quotas whenever any of the competitive categories is not filled.

Although the provisions of DOD 88-13 relating to the authorized size of an entering class and increased flexibility in appointing procedures will increase significantly the opportunities for outstanding prospective candidates to gain admission to the Military and Air Force Academies, such is not the case to the same extent with the Naval Academy. You may be unaware of present inequities in the law which, in effect, has authorized the Naval Academy to admit approximately 60% more midshipmen than we can admit as cadets (present approximate authorized strengths: USMA and USAFA, 2536; USNA, 4,400). At the same time the present law has allowed the Navy more flexible appointment procedures which authorize the transfer of unfilled vacancies from one competitive category to another.

It is obvious from an analysis of the above table that the law allows the Naval Academy greater flexibility in admitting candidates

## CADETSHIPS AT THE SERVICE ACADEMIES

	USMA and USAFA	USNA
House of Representatives	4 per member	5 per member
Senate	4 per member	5 per member
Vice President	3	5
District of Columbia	6	5
Puerto Rico	4	6
Panama	2	1
Guam, Samoa and Virgin Is.	1	1
Sons of Deceased Veterans	40	40
Presidential	89 (ave 23 per year)	300 * ( 75 per year)
Regular Components	90 (ave 23 per year)	640 * (160 per year)
Reserve Components	90 (ave 23 per year)	640 * (160 per year)
Honor Schools	40 (ave 10 per year)	80 ( 20 per year)

\*quotas are interchangeable if any are unfilled

with high potential. We believe that after careful study Congress will consider favorably this legislation directed toward meeting officer procurement requirements, as well as providing equity in appointment procedures.

In anticipation of eventual submission to the Congress of such legislation, a master plan was completed that envisioned rehabilitating and expanding the Academy's facilities to accommodate 4250 cadets. During the past year the planning was intensified and in the early fall of 1962 a full-time expansion planning group was set up under the chairmanship of Colonel C. R. Broshous to validate and refine the initial plan. The plan developed by the Committee and approved by the Post Planning Board has been forwarded with my recommendation for approval to the Department of the Army. It provides for enlargement of the existing cadet mess hall, barracks, gymnasium and academic complex. The plan minimized further encroachment on premium real estate and preserves the West Point scene as it has been known. It provides for replacement of buildings that require major rehabilitation. The concept adheres to West Point's traditional esthetic and construction standards. The construction time for the full development of facilities would be from eight to ten years.

I shall keep you informed on the status of the proposed legislation. During June Week, we plan detailed briefings for interested graduates on the expansion plan. To date, it has been our pleasure to brief and obtain the advice of General Groves, current President of the Association of Graduates, and Generals Crittenberger and McAuliffe, former Presidents; and Generals Irving, Bryan, and Davidson, former Superintendents. Thus far the consensus of those who have seen the plan is favorable. We would be happy to brief any interested graduate when he has the opportunity to visit West Point.

Our fall athletic program had its disappointments, but its share of successes as well. The 150-pound football team was outstanding. Not only were they undefeated but they were undisputed champions of the Eastern Intercollegiate 150-pound Football League by virtue of a 15 to 12 victory over Navy. The soccer team's season was marred by the loss of a close final game with a talented Navy squad. We had hoped for an especially good season for our Cross Country team, but as sometimes happens in sports, injuries crippled the squad at mid season and we were defeated in dual meets by Syracuse, Manhattan and Navy.

The 1962 Army-Navy football game is now history. Needless to say, we were disappointed in the result, but the team gave its best. Our efforts are pointed to next year. In the last thirteen football games with Navy, we have won only three (one was a tie). In most other sports, we have done better. We must, and we will, do better in football.

The Class of 1966 has completed a promising first half year. After a most successful summer training program, the Class has demonstrated an above-average overall ability.

Faithfully yours,

*W. C. Westmoreland*

W. C. WESTMORELAND  
Major General, USA  
Superintendent

# Bulletin Board

## ALUMNI SECRETARY RETIRES

Col. Duncan Sinclair '35 retired from the US Army 31 December after more than 27 years of service. His last position before retirement was Alumni Secretary and Treasurer of the Alumni Association, in addition to being editor of ASSEMBLY.

Among Col. Sinclair's previous tours were assignments to the Command and General Staff College, the XXIV Corps in the Southwest Pacific Theater and Korea, 5th Field Artillery Battalion in Germany, and Headquarters, US Army Europe.

Col. Sinclair also served with the National Security Agency in Washington, D.C., and the 3d Division Artillery, Ft. Benning. His return visit to Korea saw him as Deputy G-3 of Eighth Army.

Immediately prior to his West Point position, Col. Sinclair was chief of staff and deputy center commander at the US Army Aviation Center, Ft. Rucker, Ala.



Col. Duncan Sinclair

During his quarter of a century of Army service Col. Sinclair earned the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, and service medals for American Defense, American Theater, Pacific Theater, World War II Victory, Army of Occupation, National Defense, Philippine Defense, and Philippine Liberation.

Col. Sinclair and his wife Ruth will now live in Asheville, N. C., with their son Duncan and daughter Bonny J. Another son, Robert B., is in the Class of 1964 at West Point.

## MacARTHUR'S SPEECH—"DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY"

The Ass'n of Graduates has received a number of requests for copies of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's speech, "Duty, Honor, Country" The Association has no prints for

distribution, however, the National Observer, 44 Broad St., New York 4, N.Y has available at no cost a limited number of prints suitable for framing.

The Ass'n of Graduates is also contracting with the Radio Corporation of America to have General MacArthur's speech, Duty-Honor-Country, recorded on a LP record. In addition to Gen. MacArthur's speech the record will include a description of the Sylvanus Thayer Award and of General MacArthur's Citation. Total running time will be approximately 40 minutes. This record will be available about 1 April 63.

As soon as the cost of the record has been determined and the records are available, each graduate and ex-cadet will be mailed an order blank. Correspondence prior to this time will only serve to delay final action.

## SKI PROGRAM

Skiing is coming into its own at long last. (See cover) The recent addition of a modern 2300-foot ski tow at the Victor Constant Slope has made possible the introduction of ski instruction into the yearling physical education program and the sport is now a regular part of the intramural program. The Cadet Ski Club's large membership reflects the keen cadet interest in this winter sport off duty.

A project of the West Point Superintendent's Fund, the \$25,000 used to buy the equipment came to the Academy as a gift. There remains a need for additional gift money (\$20,000) to expand present snow-making capacity at the slope so that more of it can be kept snow-covered throughout the below-freezing period of the year without dependence upon natural snowfall.

## COMMEMORATIVE CHINA

The Ass'n of Graduates has been informed by Wedgwood of England that the prices of West Point Commemorative china have gone up approximately 5%. With the arrival of new stocks on or about 1 May 1963, current prices will be advanced. A complete listing will appear in the Spring Edition.

Until 1 May 1963 current stocks will be sold at announced prices.

## DOLLAR FOR EVERY YEAR

The following letter was received by Gen. Lucius D. Clay Jun '18, Chairman of the Fund Committee, West Point Superintendent's Fund:

Fort Belvoir, Va.  
26 November 1962

Dear General Clay:

I have today forwarded a check for \$100 to the Secretary-Treasurer of the West Point Alumni Foundation, Inc. This check includes appropriate amounts contributed by my mother and my son and is in response to the requirement of a dollar for each year of service. It will cover 61 years of service for my father, Major General W. K. Wilson, Class of 1902; 33 years for myself, Class of 1929; and 3 for my son, Lt. W. K. Wilson, III, Class of 1960.

The Wilson family joins in hoping that the Superintendent's Fund will serve a useful purpose at the Military Academy.

Sincerely,

s/ W. K. Wilson, Jr.  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Chief of Engineers

ASSEMBLY

## NEW ALUMNI SECRETARY

On 1 December 1962 Lt. Gen. Leslie R. Groves Nov '18, President of the Association of Graduates, appointed Col. Thomas M. Metz '37 as Secretary and Treasurer of the Association, replacing Col. Duncan Sinclair who retired 31 December 1962. Prior to World War II Col. Metz served normal tours with Seacoast and Antiaircraft Artillery units at Fort Monroe, Corregidor, and Fort Bragg.



Col. Thomas Metz

Following Pearl Harbor he served as brigade executive officer in the air defenses of New York City, London, Normandy, and the Ninth US Army in Brittany, Holland, and Germany. Following the war, Col. Metz attended the C&GSC and served as a staff officer at Army Field Forces and GHQ. Attendance at the Army War College was preceded as CO 9th Arty Gp in Japan. During the period 1954-1957 he served as Army Attaché, Lima, Peru, and was subsequently assigned as CO 16th Arty Gp in the Nike-Hercules defenses of Chicago. Col. Metz came to his present assignment from ODCSOPS where he was chief of the USA Nuclear Weapon Coordination Group. He and wife Alpha have two married daughters, Mrs. Royce Donohoe of Chicago and Mrs. James Bledsoe of Fort Jackson.

## 1963 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

On 13 October 1962, the President of the Association of Graduates announced the appointment of McAuliffe '19 as Chairman of the 1963 Nominating Committee, with Blaik '20, Snyder '36, Jannarone '38, and Book '46 as members. The task of the Nominating Committee is to present to the Board of Trustees in March a slate of nominations for a president and for five vice presidents to take office for one year at the annual meeting in June 1963, and for twelve trustees who take office 1 July 1963 for three years.

The five vice-presidential nominees are chosen by the five senior Reunion Classes in descending order starting with the 50th. Two of the twelve trustees are regional representatives of Army areas, in this case Fourth and Sixth Armies. These nominees are selected from candidates re-

commended by the West Point Societies in those army areas. In addition, three of the trustee nominees are chosen from the three junior Reunion Classes, which are called upon for their recommendations. Letters have been written to the appropriate class presidents and to the presidents of the West Point Societies concerned asking for their recommendations.

In addition, letters have been sent to all members of the Board of Trustees soliciting their recommendations. If any member of the Association wishes to propose a name or names for consideration, he should submit his recommendation to the Nominating Committee, Association of Graduates, West Point, N.Y., prior to 15 February 1963.

## NEW LIBRARIAN

Applications are being sought for the position of Librarian, USMA. Retired officers who are qualified by reason of education and experience to administer a library collection of more than 250,000 volumes are invited to communicate with the Superintendent, USMA, West Point, N.Y.

## FOUNDERS DAY

On 16 March 1963 the 161st Anniversary of the founding of the United States Military Academy will be celebrated, for on that date in 1802 President Thomas Jefferson signed into law an Act of the 7th Congress which established the Military Academy. During March, West Pointers around the world will gather to pay homage to their Alma Mater and to recall memories of cadet life. The old expression, "has the Corps," will be the subject of much debate.

As in the past the Military Academy will support Founders Day celebrations. West Point Societies and the commanders of Army garrisons have been furnished the details of this support.

## HOMECOMING 1963

The Superintendent, USMA, has announced that Homecoming Day 1963 will be observed on 28 Sep 63 when Army takes on the University of Cincinnati. Appropriate notices and information bulletins relative to this occasion will be forthcoming in ample time to permit alumni to make necessary arrangements without having to query the Ass'n of Graduates.

## JOB PLACEMENT

Since the average age of USMA graduates who retire after 30 years of service is about 52, most of them are capable of many additional years of productive work. As a group, they are well educated, of high ethics, schooled in management and planning, capable of organizing the work of others, sincere, patriotic, and dedicated. These retired officers should be encouraged and assisted, if necessary, in continuing to contribute to the productiveness of the American economy. The desirability of establishing a centralized job placement service in the office of the Association of Graduates was recently considered by the Executive Committee of the Association. It was the opinion of the Committee that this function could better be handled at the West Point Society Level. Job placement requires a personal contact and a feeling for labor needs that can only be nurtured locally.

Accordingly, the Executive Committee reached these conclusions with respect to job placement assistance:

1. Assistance can be provided much more effectively by the individual West Point Societies on a decentralized

basis than by the creation of a centralized effort in the office of the Association of Graduates at West Point.

2. Assistance should be extended primarily to those who have completed a full career in the Army, normally 30 years, or have been separated honorably for reasons beyond their control. Graduates who resign or retire in search of greener pastures or retire voluntarily before completing a full career should not expect the same interest in their behalf.

3. Societies should keep the Secretary fully informed of progress in this area so that he can assist other Societies and can refer qualified graduates to the various Societies for help. Progress and publicity reports in ASSEMBLY might prove encouraging and stimulating.

#### NEW LAW P

Colonel Frederick C. Lough '38 has been appointed Professor and Head of the Department of Law at USMA, succeeding Colonel Charles W. West '20, who retired from the Army on 31 October. Colonel Lough has been serving as Associate Professor in the department since August 1960, and has also been named the Academy's Staff Judge Advocate.

He is a member of the Bars of the District of Columbia, the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the US Supreme Court, and the US Court of Military Appeals.



Col. Frederick Lough

He entered the Military Academy as a cadet in 1934, after having attended Brown University in Providence, R.I., for one year. Upon his graduation from West Point, he received a BS degree and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Signal Corps.

In August 1946, Colonel Lough transferred to the Judge Advocate General's Corps and entered Columbia University as a student in its School of Law. He received his LLB degree from Columbia in 1949 and was assigned to duty in the Office of The Judge Advocate General of the Army. He is also a graduate (in 1959) of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C.

After 3 years of service in signal battalions following his graduation from the Military Academy, he was assigned to duty as Assistant Military Attaché in London, England. In August 1942, he was one of the first officers assigned to

Allied Forces Headquarters in London to plan the invasion of North Africa. He participated in the North African landings, going ashore at Algiers.

The following April he assumed command of the 63d Sig Bn, part of the Fifth Army, and participated in the operations at Salerno in September 1943 and at Anzio in early 1944. Colonel Lough then was ordered to duty in the Pentagon as Assistant Director of Plans and Operations for the Signal Corps, where he remained until August 1946.

In 1952, after completing 3 years' study at Columbia University and 3 years' duty in the Office of The Judge Advocate General of the Army, Colonel Lough went to Trieste. There he served successively as Staff Judge Advocate, Trieste US Troops, and as Legal Advisor to the Allied Military Government, Trieste, until the turnover of that territory to the Italian and Yugoslav Governments.

From 1955 until June 1958 he was Legal Advisor to the Army Chemical Corps. A year later, following graduation from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Colonel Lough was assigned to Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N. Mex., as Staff Judge Advocate, Headquarters, Field Command, Defense Atomic Support Agency—his position immediately prior to coming to West Point for duty in the Law Department.

He has been awarded the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal, and the European Campaign Medal with three battle stars.

He is a native of Fall River, Mass., where his mother Mrs. Frederick J. Lough, resided until recently at 415 Archer Street. She now lives on Windsor Road, Hastings-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

Colonel Lough is married to the former Marguerite E. Haney of 24 Winslow Street, Riverside, R. I. They live in Quarters 62 at West Point with their two children—Frederick C. Jr. (13), and Beth Ann (10).

#### JUNE WEEK 1963

The following schedule for June Week 1963 has been approved for planning purposes:

Sat	1 Jun	0800	Alumni Headquarters opens.
		1400	Army-Navy baseball game.
		1830	Informal alumni gathering, Cullum Ballroom.
		2030	Alumni Dinner Dance & Superintendent's Reception, Washington Hall.
Sun	2 Jun	---	Baccalaureate services.
		1400	Organ recital, Cadet Chapel.
		1530	Band concert, Trophy Point.
		2030	Glee Club concert, Army Theater.
Mon	3 Jun	1030	Alumni formation, Cullum Road.
		1100	Alumni Exercises, Thayer Monument.
		1130	Alumni Review, The Plain.
		1230	Alumni Luncheon, Washington Hall.
		1230	Ladies Luncheon, Cullum Hall.
		1600	Awards Review, The Plain.
Tue	4 Jun	1100	Awards Convocation, South Auditorium.
		1700	Graduation Parade, The Plain.
Wed	5 Jun	1000	Graduation Exercises, Field House.

It has not been determined at this time whether Alumni Headquarters will be in the almost new East Barracks (formerly in the West Academic Building) or in the brand new New South Barracks (on Thayer Road between Grant Hall and the Hospital). Either will offer comfortable billets for the alumni at \$2.50 a night, with meals available in the Cadet Mess on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Alumni wives and widows will be accommodated two to a room in Mary Hall at Ladycliff College in Highland Falls at \$5.00 a night. Owing to the small number of rooms and the great demand, single occupancy cannot be offered even if a person is willing to pay double the

price. Continental breakfast will be available on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Overflow billet space will be provided separately for males and females at Camp Buckner for \$2.50 a night.

Dependents will be accommodated only if they are 15 years of age or older.

Sunday and Monday evenings are recommended and available for Reunion Class parties and picnics. According to custom, priority in the use of recreational and dining facilities on the reservation will be allocated by class seniority to the classes holding 5-year reunions as follows:

1893	1913	1928	Jun 43
1898	Jun 18	1933	1948
1903	Nov 18	1938	1953
1908	1923	Jan 43	1958

Because construction and renovation will not be completed, the West Point Army Mess will not be available for any purpose. Interim mess operations require the full-time use of the Pershing Room in Cullum Hall, and the Cullum Ballroom must be reserved for large community affairs rather than individual class parties.

Early in March, the Alumni Secretary will provide the Reunion Class chairmen with the list of available facilities and ask for their preferences. Once all replies have been received, allocations of party and picnic sites will be made.

Some Reunion Classes, especially the older ones, will not have a classmate on duty at West Point. In these cases, a local officer will be appointed as an agent to work directly with the class leader and to assist in making the desired arrangements.

Rooms in the basement of Cullum Hall, of course, will be assigned to the oldest graduates. In 1962, these rooms ran out halfway through the Class of 1907.

It is too early for any class to request the reservation of any party facility since these will be allocated according to Reunion Class seniority as previously indicated rather than by date of request.

It is also too early to request billet space in the barracks or in Ladycliff; or to ask for tickets to parades, chapel services, and graduation exercises. In April, the Reunion Bulletin will be published. It will contain additional information together with reservation applications to be returned *with deposits* to the Alumni Secretary. Barracks space, beds in Ladycliff, and tickets are all allocated in accordance with the applicant's graduation seniority (Cullum Register number) and not by date of application.

Some Reunion Classes call upon the returning classmates for a lump-sum advance payment. If your class is planning to do this, *please limit* your collections to class-sponsored activities. Do not try to collect for billet space or any of the general alumni events listed in the schedule at the beginning of this article. Deposits for these events must be sent to the Alumni Secretary as provided in the Reunion Bulletin.

Rooms in the Hotel Thayer will be totally reserved for families and guests of the First Class. The Alumni Secretary has nothing to do with space in the hotel during June Week.

If any class contemplates the use of off-post facilities or if someone wants accommodations at any of the hotels or motels in the vicinity, individual arrangements must be made, and the sooner the better. As with the Hotel Thayer, the Alumni Secretary has no influence over these establishments.

If requested, the Alumni Secretary will order the con-

ventional arm bands (\$1 each) for the Reunion Classes. Anything else in the way of class identification is a class responsibility. Alumni badges (\$1.25) and ~~lapel~~ rosettes (\$.50) will be on sale in Alumni Headquarters.

#### FENTON ROOM DEDICATED

Ceremonies dedicating the "Fenton Room" in the USMA Cadet Chapel were held 2 October. Named in honor of Mrs. Marguerite H. Fenton of Cornwall-on-Hudson and the late Brig. Gen. Chauncey L. Fenton '04, the room will be used by the cadets as a reception room. Located in the basement of the Chapel, it has been newly decorated and furnished by the Altar and Hospital Guild.

Maj. Gen. W. C. Westmoreland, Superintendent of the Academy, in delivering the dedicatory address, paid tribute to Gen. and Mrs. Fenton as "two wonderful people . . . who have contributed so much to West Point and to the Cadet Chapel."



Mrs. Genevieve Cutler, Mrs. Chauncey Fenton, Mrs. W. C. Westmoreland, and Chaplain Speers at the dedication of the Fenton Room in the Cadet Chapel.

Gen. Fenton, who died last February, served as Professor of USMA Department of Chemistry and Electricity from 1928 until his retirement from the Army in 1946. During this period, Mrs. Fenton was a member of the Altar and Hospital Guild and for a time served as its president. When the Cadet Chapel itself was dedicated in 1910, Gen. and Mrs. Fenton attended the services. At that time, Mrs. Fenton was the youngest bride living on the Post.

Shown in the picture are (left to right) Mrs. Genevieve Cutler, President of the Altar Guild and wife of Col. E. Cutler, Professor of Electricity; Mrs. Fenton, Mrs. Westmoreland, wife of the Superintendent; and the Rev. Theodore C. Speers, Chaplain of the Military Academy.

#### COMING EVENTS AT USMA:

5	Feb	63	— Graduate record exam by Class of '63
7	Feb	63	— Service selection by Class of '63
9-10	Feb	63	— Spring civilian clothing display
23	Feb	63	— Army-Navy winter athletic contests
2	Mar	63	— RMC-USMA hockey game
7	Mar	63	— Branch selection by Class of '63
8-10	Mar	63	— 100th Night Show
9-10	Mar	63	— Uniform display
16	Mar	63	— Founders Day
21-24	Mar	63	— Spring leave for eligible upperclassmen
26	Mar	63	— Examination of ex-cadets
24-27	Apr	63	— 17th National Debate Tournament

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**  
**BECAUSE OF ITS SCOPE, THIS ARTICLE**  
**IS PRESENTED IN TWO PARTS**  
**THE SECOND PART WILL BE PUBLISHED**  
**IN THE 1963 SPRING ASSEMBLY**

# THE 4th CLASS

**T**HOUGH many graduates have understood the purpose of the Fourth Class System, they may not be familiar with its history. There may be those who contend that the System has been watered down over the years and that it no longer contributes to the molding of a leader as was intended. In an effort to reduce the speculation on the part of the younger graduates regarding the System of old, and to reassure elder members of the Long Gray Line that the Fourth Class System remains a basic part of West Point's leadership training, it would be appropriate to review the history of the Plebe System and follow its progress from the early days of the Military Academy to the present.

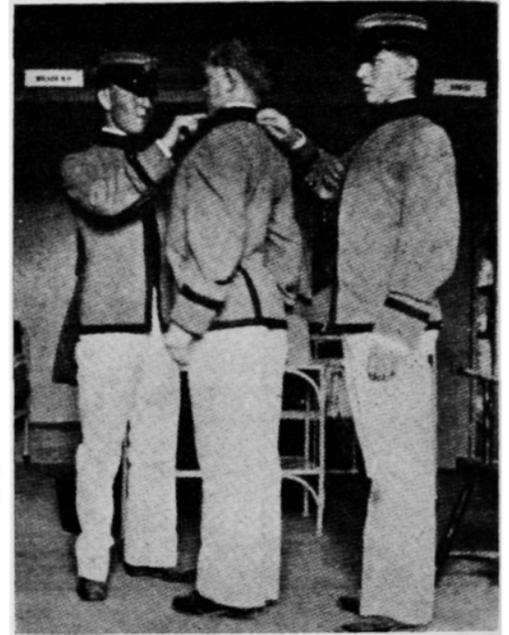
It can hardly be said that the Fourth Class System began with the founding of the Military Academy in 1802. Rather, it was not until Sylvanus Thayer's day that Fourth Class customs and traditions had their beginning.

The Fourth Class System accumulated as a collection of customs to be imposed upon new cadets. As in most institutions, the newcomer was not immediately accepted as a member of the group. He had to adapt himself to his new environment and undergo a period of servitude. This requirement befell a new cadet, or Plebe, in a student body which had no distinct classes, only a separation between the Plebes and the upperclassmen. This adjustment to a new environment was the most difficult obstacle, other than academics, for a new cadet to overcome.

Although there is no recorded Code of Conduct for the Plebe in the 1830's, he did perform certain duties and observe various restrictions. Many of his duties were in the nature of personal services for upperclassmen. He might be called upon to perform such services as carrying water for upperclassmen, making down their beds, and cleaning their rifles and equipment.

The upperclassmen gradually took advantage of this relationship and began to treat Plebes rather harshly. What commenced as pranks on the Plebes gradually grew to abuse of the Plebes, such as causing them to double time back and forth from their tents to the sinks. At first, these acts were known as "devilings" and were designed to give the upperclassmen considerable amusement. One such act was to require Plebes to pick up ants in the company street. Another was to have Plebes wrestle each other before a crowd of upperclassmen.

As these techniques of "devilings" continued, they became more refined and as such resulted in pure and simple hazing, the best examples of which were having Plebes hold constrained positions and perform harsh physical exercises. As a consequence, hazing soon became a part of these customs for the Plebe and remained a tradition at the Military Academy almost until the turn of the Century.<sup>1</sup>



Inspection of a Plebe—  
Circa 1908

In 1848, a cadet who was to achieve success in the Civil War became a part of this tradition. During his first week at the Academy, Cadet Philip H. Sheridan and his roommates were visited by a cadet officer who asked if they could swim. Young Sheridan, alone, replied in the affirmative. The upperclassman then directed Sheridan to strip to the waist, mount the cross bar supporting the front part of his room, and commence swimming the breast stroke 11 miles to Newburgh. While his roommates flattened themselves against the wall, Phil Sheridan began to "swim." A few minutes later a tactical officer was heard approaching the door, whereupon Sheridan quickly jumped to the floor. On his entrance, the tactical officer questioned Sheridan, "Mr. Sheridan, why are you without a shirt?" Before he could reply, the Tac added, "This will cost you two demerits, put a shirt on at once." The Tac departed, and with a deep sense of relief, the cadet officer expressed his gratitude to Sheridan and recognized him on the spot!<sup>2</sup>

By the time of the Civil War, hazing was an accepted custom. However, from 1870 to 1908, hazing appeared in its most violent form. Upperclassmen began to lay their hands on the Plebes and were caught pushing their hands into Plebe chins and stomachs.<sup>3</sup>

As Superintendent, Gen. Schofield condemned hazing. He considered it "essentially criminal" and a "vicious and illegal indulgence." However, even with speeches and certain prohibitions against the practice, the fact remained that hazing was a national college custom and as such was difficult to curtail. Now and then the Superintendent

<sup>1</sup> Letter from the Secretary of the Army. *Hazing at the United States Military Academy*. House of Representatives, Document No. 1455, 1909, pp. 5-6.

<sup>2</sup> Colonel Red Reeder. *Sheridan*. New York: Duell, Sloan and Pearce, 1962, pp. 25-27.

<sup>3</sup> Letter from the Secretary of the Army, *op. cit.*

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*

# SYSTEM...

## Part One: THE PAST

or the Board of Visitors reported that the custom of hazing was no longer in vogue, but it did in fact continue and even gain support in some areas. For example, a member of the Board of Visitors of 1895, a West Point graduate, felt that the hazing of that year was mild to that of earlier years and probably did not produce as fine a product as in the past.

In 1900, the Board of Visitors reported:

"As a result of their (Committee) investigations, the Board disposed to believe that the reports of the extent and the injurious physical effects of hazing have been somewhat exaggerated. Certainly the young men who are said to have been special victims of it are in excellent physical condition and are taking a high rank in their classes. This would indicate that the hardships to which they were subjected, whatever they may have been, were only temporary in their effects."

However, that same year a Congressional investigation determined that the upperclassmen had devised over 100 ways of harassing Plebes. With such wide publicity, many parents questioned the wisdom of sending their sons to West Point, where they had to undergo such rough treatment in order to secure an education. The upshot of the investigation was an Act of Congress in 1901 which forbade hazing. Thereafter, hazing gradually declined at the Military Academy.

While most of the forms of hazing which took place were not condoned by most of the cadets and the authorities, fist fights were condoned. The Plebe was frequently challenged to fight when an upperclassman offered him satisfaction, in public or in private, if the Plebe objected to his treatment. Frequently, when a Plebe was compelled to fight an upperclassman, the Plebe was at a great disadvantage. However, the practice must have caused consternation outside the Academy because it was curtailed about 1900.<sup>4</sup>

Between 1900 and 1910, the Military Academy instituted rigorous controls designed to suppress the hazing which still flourished. Little assistance was asked of the cadets. Ironically, the methods of harassing the Plebes increased in scope and number. Some of these methods, extensions of exercises required of the new cadets in ranks during summer training, were practiced on them out of ranks and even during the academic year.

Col. S. E. Tillman (later brigadier general), Superintendent from 1917 to 1919, observed that, shortly after assuming his duties, he became aware of objectionable practices by the upperclassmen towards the Plebes. It was not until the Post Surgeon discovered that a new cadet had incurred an injury due to an unauthorized exercise that action was taken. After a preliminary investigation, seven

Third Classmen were tried by court-martial for a violation of regulations regarding hazing. Col. Tillman regretted that conditions existed which required such action but felt that hazing was being gradually eliminated and conditions were improving. He gave a good portion of the credit for this to Gen. Guy V. Henry, Commandant of Cadets from 1916 to 1918, who tried to appeal to the common sense of cadets to improve the situation.

Though "deviling" or hazing was rampant throughout colleges and universities in the United States around the turn of the Century, at West Point the motives for such actions had no comparison with those elsewhere. In the first place, the mere fact that the authorities were aware of these practices and made no real attempt to curtail them, was evidence that they recognized in them a certain advantage. This advantage was the rapid attainment of a proper mental attitude and physical bearing of a West Point cadet. It was considered necessary for the new cadet to be subjected to discipline at all times, in ranks and out of ranks, on duty and off duty. It was felt that this "intensive training" brought a new cadet to a proper state of military fitness much quicker than could have been accomplished otherwise.

Secondly, the motives of such actions were uniquely different at the Military Academy. The cadets were proud of their institution. Their *esprit de corps* was equalled by few, if any, institutions in the world. Therefore, the upperclassmen were demanding that the new cadet undergo the harsh treatment for his own good and for the good of West Point. A strong person who was militarily fit and could take treatment dealt him became an asset to the Corps. Those new cadets who received the closest attention, authorized and unauthorized, were young men who were slow to acquire the proper military spirit and bearing. By the same token, a new cadet who quickly responded to correction was usually left alone.

The practices of deviling and hazing were intimately connected with the exercise of legitimate authority over the Fourth Class. For 30 years after the Civil War, many of the deviling practices were endorsed by the authorities, and no serious efforts were made to suppress them, except for cases of physical hazing. Similarly, from 1895 to 1919, limited sanction was given to certain illegitimate exercises of authority over the Fourth Class. This authority, however more and more took the form of an extension of legitimate authority, such as harsh, often scolding commands, requiring unnecessary promptness or an exaggerated military bearing known as "bracing."

Even though hazing was in evidence from 1865 to 1919, this should not lead one to conclude that the training of the Plebe during this time was other than constructive. Records indicate that certain upperclassmen under officer



Objective: Plebe Bracing—  
Circa 1914

supervision were responsible for training Fourth Classmen during summer camp. A strict sense of discipline was made a part of the cadet's life from the first day of camp. When correction and admonition was necessary, it was applied continuously until the cadet understood the requirement to follow instructions and orders implicitly. The object of the summer camp was to harden the cadet to the regimentation of the Military Academy and break him in prior to the commencement of the strenuous academic load in the Fall.

After the Civil War and for almost three decades the upperclassmen were given no control over the Plebes when they were out of ranks or off duty. However, in the summer months during this period the upperclassmen practiced unauthorized forms of control over the Fourth Classmen. These practices of deviling were generally harmless and frequently absurd. In addition, Plebes were required to perform menial tasks such as policing the camping grounds, putting the tents in order, filling the buckets, etc., all of which were not officially sanctioned. First Class control of the Plebe System also consisted of preventing Third Classmen from carrying acts of deviling to the extremes. However, on many occasions, First Classmen were known to be flagrant offenders of the rules concerning mistreatment of Fourth Classmen.

During the period following the Civil War, there did occur periodic investigations resulting from unpleasant developments in the treatment of Fourth Classmen. Most of these incidents would occur in the summer, for there was a general rule which required upperclassmen to cease out-of-ranks annoyance of Plebes after the beginning of the academic year.

The intent of the unauthorized exercise of authority by the upper classes from 1865 to 1895 was to create a spirit of discipline, a sense of obedience, and a greater democratic fellowship within the Corps, with less attention being given to the physical appearance and bearing of the new cadet. After 1895, the unauthorized use of authority was directed primarily to the appearance and physical qualities of the new cadets. This was prompted by a number of uniform changes occurring at that time, which highlighted physical distinctions between cadets. Obviously, the Plebe was a poor specimen of proper military bearing and therefore the upperclassmen took it upon themselves to correct Plebe posture.

It is interesting to note that the Board of Visitors on several occasions was impressed with the fact that the Military Academy was turning out the proper type of graduate. In 1892, the Board of Visitors stated in part:

"Of course the Academy cannot create manhood, but it

has trained and developed it to its highest expressions of courage and character. We doubt if there is anywhere a more complete training of the youth than is to be found in its course. It is physical, moral, and mental, and it brings out all of good in the young man who takes it. It teaches him duty, firmness, patience, justice; it gives him confidence and self-reliance; it promotes industry and application; it instills into him thoroughly the lessons of discipline, and adds to this the needs of courtesy without which discipline loses much of its moral force."

This was confirmed by the Board of Visitors in 1894, which stated that:

"Every energy is concentrated in the effort to mold the material present to the officers of the Academy into finished, accomplished, and disciplined soldiers, men who in their turn must be ready to lead, to instruct, or command. To this end the cadet is from the very outset subject to a course of rigorous discipline, coupled with physical and mental training that requires his entire time and attention."

From 1895 to 1900, an effort was made to control and regulate the treatment of the Plebes by causing the First Class officers to be responsible for non-interference with the Plebes by upperclassmen. This effort backfired because the responsibility became too great. The cadet officers encountered extreme difficulty in controlling their own classmates as well as Second and Third Classmen.

Beginning about 1911, as a result of increased surveillance by tactical officers, the discreditable forms of physical harassment of the Plebes began to fade. The continuing shift toward conferring more responsibility upon cadet officers gradually led to the extension of more authority over the new cadets than previously permitted, especially when the new cadets were in an off duty status. This control was not authorized at first, but it was sanctioned. In addition, some of the Superintendents and Commandants from 1900 to 1918 authorized certain specific controls over the Fourth Class by designated members of the upper classes. Even these controls or rules were never part of official Military Academy regulations. Their design was to supplement the military training of the new cadets and to stimulate a proper system of discipline and military bearing within the Fourth Classmen.

In 1914, some very general rules concerning the control of the new cadets by the upper classes were prescribed in the regulations. Nothing as broad as this had ever been granted before. With this authority, the new cadet was at all times to be closely observed, corrected, and instructed so that he might soon acquire the soldierly bearing and attitude of a West Point cadet. This objective was to correct the Plebe for slovenliness and laxness at any time and in any place.

The Department of Tactics during the period from 1914 to 1918 placed the responsibility for the proper discipline, military bearing, and conduct of the Fourth Class more fully into the hands of the upperclassmen than had previously been done. Soon after this change, it became evident that the direct exercise of this responsibility could not be left to upperclassmen, for they abused the privilege with adverse treatment of the Plebes. As a result, in 1916 the authority for developing the proper military bearing among the Fourth Classmen was gradually concentrated in the hands of a small number of cadets, with the intention of placing it under the control of the cadet captains. One drawback to this system occurred when the First Class was graduated early, due to World War I, and the

delegated authority fell to less experienced and younger cadets.

Even without benefit of a prescribed Fourth Class System, it is evident, then, that a transition in Plebe training occurred from 1865 to 1919. Toward the end of this period, the Military Academy saw fit to grant specific authority to members of the upper classes to train the Plebes in virtually every aspect of their lives, so as to bring about a rapid military development in each new cadet. At the same time the authorities sharply curtailed the misuse of this authority by those who sought no purpose in their correction of Fourth Classmen but considered it as sheer sport.

In 1919, Gen. Douglas MacArthur became Superintendent. At his direction, the Fourth Class customs and traditions were codified and given official recognition. In order to continue those customs and traditions which were desirable and to insure that they were handed down from class to class, General MacArthur appointed a committee of cadets to formulate the Fourth Class System. This committee was headed by Cadet Earl H. Blaik (now colonel, Ret).

General MacArthur felt that there was something basically wrong with the Plebe System as it existed on his arrival. During the war, he had observed certain graduates issuing orders and instructions in a brutal manner which was detrimental to good order and discipline. He felt that West Point should do an even better job in training a cadet to be an officer and a gentleman, an effective leader. Upperclassmen had learned to address the Plebes in an abusive manner. When they graduated, a few of these young officers addressed their enlisted men in this same bullying way. Gen. MacArthur was convinced that an officer could not address the American soldier the way a Yearling addressed a Plebe.<sup>5</sup>

This was not an original thought by Gen. MacArthur, for Gen. Schofield had addressed the Corps of Cadets in 1879 on the same subject (Schofield's Definition of Discipline). However, it was to Gen. MacArthur's credit that he instituted a reform in the Fourth Class System which was designed to train cadets in the proper application of discipline.

Gen. MacArthur, in his annual report as Superintendent in 1920, stated his objectives in revamping the Plebe System as follows:

"To hold fast to those policies typified in the motto of the Academy—'Duty, Honor, Country,' to cling to thoroughness as to a lodestar, to continue to inculcate the habit of industry, to implant as of old the gospel of cleanliness—to be clean, to live clean, and to think clean—and yet to introduce a new atmosphere of liberalization in doing away with provincialism, a substitution of subjective for objective discipline, a progressive increase of cadet responsibility tending to develop initiative and force of character rather than automatic performance of stereotyped functions."

A pamphlet, *Traditions and Customs of the Corps of Cadets, 1920*, outlined the objectives of this new code as follows:

"There are certain customs of the Corps of Cadets which by long usage have acquired the sanction of authority. Their strict observance has for its object the perpetuation of those practices which foster Corps pride, spirit, and morale. Experience has proved that they are invaluable in moulding character; in teaching courtesy, deference to and respect for seniors, obedi-

ence and loyalty; and that they exert a most far-reaching influence in maintaining the very highest standards of discipline, duty, and honor in the Corps. It should, therefore, be the serious ambition of every young man, immediately upon his admission to the Corps of Cadets to familiarize himself with these customs and standards and to conform to them conscientiously, for it is through them that he will be able to acquire the true spirit of West Point."

As a result of this documentation of customs and traditions, the Board of Visitors, in its report of 1921, wrote as follows:

"Upon assuming the duties of Superintendent of the Military Academy in 1919, he (Gen. MacArthur) conceived the idea of putting into the West Point training those things necessary to start the cadet along lines which would make it easy and natural for him as an officer to respond to the requirements of this new method of handling great citizen armies in times of war. While he thoroughly appreciated the primary importance of retaining in the West Point training those characteristics of rigid discipline, thoroughness, and high-character building which had made West Point famous for more than a century of its life, he began an investigation and a study of conditions and methods which have resulted in modifying a cadet's training so that while it retains all of these essential characteristics it has lost most, perhaps all, of that harsh character which made it the subject of so much criticism before the World War."

From its inception until 1919, the Fourth Class System was purposeful. The authorities at West Point realized that academic instruction alone could not lay the foundation for future success in a professional career. Other inputs were required to prepare young men for military service. By precise and well-conceived means the Military Academy attempted to accomplish this in a cadet's training. By so doing, the Military Academy reasoned that it was developing character in its cadets. Though some of the means by which this development was accomplished during the Academy's first 100 years were questionable, the Military Academy has been successful in its objectives as evidenced by its history and the history of the United States Army of which the Military Academy forms a part.

The Plebe System, as officially sanctioned in 1919, has changed very little over the past 44 years. The System as codified in that year under Gen. MacArthur's direction is basically the Plebe System as it is functioning at the Military Academy for the Class of 1966. Part II of this article, which will appear in the spring issue of *ASSEMBLY*, will describe the Fourth Class System as practiced since 1919.

(The above article is based on a condensation of a Board Report to the Commandant of Cadets, subject: Evaluation of the Fourth Class System, dated 1 Apr 58.)



In ranks exercises—Circa 1902

<sup>5</sup> William A. Ganoe. *MacArthur Close-up*. New York: Vantage Press, 1962, pp. 102-103.



Hon. Dean Acheson with Col. Lincoln, Head of the Department of Social Sciences; Cadet Rudolph Ehrenberg, chairman of SCUSA XIV; and Gen. Westmoreland, Superintendent.

# SCUSA XIV...

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**T**HE 14th annual Student Conference on United States Affairs (SCUSA XIV) was held at West Point from 5 to 8 December. Under the sponsorship of the West Point Debate Council and Forum and the George Olmsted Foundation, 240 delegates and senior personnel devoted three days to a thorough examination of the Atlantic Community in relation to United States national security policy.

Before covering the highlights of the conference, let us look briefly at the purposes for the conference:

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

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

To broaden students' contact with their contemporaries in an academic endeavor.

The participants certainly could not be expected to solve all the problems of national security policy in 3 days; therefore, the emphasis in each conference is placed upon the analysis and understanding of issues beaten out on the anvil of round-table discussions, rather than on the final reports drafted at the conclusion of the conference.

Student delegates attending the conference represented 82 colleges and universities from the United States and Canada. Generous assistance from the George Olmsted Foundation during the past 3 years has made it possible to invite schools from more distant parts of the country. As a direct result of this support, schools from 29 states sent delegates to SCUSA XIV. Included in the invitation list were such schools as Amherst, Columbia, Duke, Johns Hopkins, MIT, Ohio State, Purdue, Michigan, Virginia, SMU, Wisconsin, and Yale. Selection of the schools to be invited is a difficult task; the fine reputation acquired by the conference has resulted in a waiting list of over 50 schools seeking invitations. Limitations of facilities dictate that only about 80 schools can be invited each year. About 55 schools are invited yearly, and to supplement this "core" about 25 are invited on a rotating basis. The students who attended the conference were a highly qualified

group, including several Phi Beta Kappas, student body presidents, scholarship holders, and over two-thirds were on Dean's lists. By and large, they were seniors or juniors majoring in political science, history, or economics. Each school appointed a faculty counselor to assist the students in preparation for the conference. Other aids to preparation included the conference agenda, bibliographies, and selected readings furnished by the SCUSA staff.

Under the sponsorship of the West Point Forum (another part of the Debate Council and Forum), cadet participants were given an opportunity to attend a number of weekly seminar meetings in preparation for the conference. Cadet interest in the conference is amply demonstrated by the fact that over 200 cadets participated in these seminars. Of this group, 36 were selected as participants and 12 as recorders for the conference. In addition to assisting the cadets in preparation for the conference, these seminars provided a stimulating opportunity for a great many cadets to broaden their knowledge of the Atlantic Community.

Preparation for the conference involves a great deal of administrative and logistical work. Under the leadership of Cadet Rudolph H. Ehrenberg, a staff of 60 cadets ably discharged these responsibilities. The planning, preparation, coordination, and operation of the conference were accomplished by the staff organized into committees for escorting, finance, housing, information, messing, supply, transportation, and secretariat. Cadets serving on the staff were given an excellent opportunity to employ the leadership and administrative techniques they have learned at West Point. Particularly gratifying was the high level of initiative displayed by the staff this year in adopting many innovations which helped to make SCUSA XIV function smoothly and effectively.

The Honorable Dean Acheson, former Secretary of State, opened SCUSA XIV with the keynote address, "The Political and Economic Strands In Our Atlantic Alliance," at 1600 hours on 5 December. Mr. Acheson first assessed the military posture of NATO and concluded that three major tasks must be accomplished:

First, it is essential to increase substantially the size of allied conventional forces and reserves in Western Europe and to improve their equipment; second, that to do this will require the greatest possible unity between Europe and North America upon relevant political policies and military strategy for the defense of Europe; third, that our allies must share fully in the formulation of policy and strategy, in raising the neces-

sary forces, and in the decision when and how nuclear weapons are to be employed in the common defense, although not in the operational control of such strategic weapons. All of these matters are inherent in a grand strategic plan which will be binding upon us all.

Turning to the political situation, Mr. Acheson analyzed the weaknesses and strengths of the major NATO powers. Viewing the present as a critical turning point, he called for fresh American initiatives in dealing with the German problem and relations with the developing nations. In the economic field, the speaker felt that new economic and fiscal agreements are necessary to ensure the continued prosperity of the Atlantic powers, since "it has been evident for some time that the finances and economies of the great industrial nations must be managed in some sort of harmony, or they cannot be managed at all. The time has come for agreement upon courses to pursue and institutions to administer them." These new arrangements would permit military obligations to be more fully met and would provide the basis of more effective aid programs for the developing nations. The students were also given some sound advice on the art of policy formulation:

In short, ends and means have always had, and should have, a fundamental effect upon one another. Obviously, means should be developed to serve the attainment of ends seriously and soberly adopted. Conversely, ends without the means to achieve them are mere hopes. People often forget this in discussing foreign policy.

That evening a distinguished group of panelists, chaired by General Cortlandt V. R. Schuyler (Ret) executive assistant to Governor Rockefeller, discussed "Problems of the Atlantic Community." This discussion provided a detailed examination of problems and policies pertaining to the development of an Atlantic Community. In dealing with the political problems, Mr. Joseph Kraft, Washington correspondent for *Harper's*, emphasized that progress toward a political partnership would probably be attained only by the solution of various functional problems in the economic and military fields. He viewed as the greatest problem the "psychological slippage" between the US and the Europeans, resulting from different approaches to current problems. This difficulty is not insurmountable, but it does call for a certain moderation in dealing with common problems.

Brigadier General Richard G. Stilwell, Commandant of Cadets, discussed the military problems facing the Atlantic Community. At the outset, he stressed that one must consider other collective security arrangements in addition to NATO when considering the military posture of the Atlantic Community. While emphasizing the past successes of NATO, which "has proved adequate to the myriad challenges posed by the Soviet bloc," he identified several key problems of the present. Further integration of NATO forces would provide a more effective capability in the use of deterrent forces; strengthening of conventional forces would broaden the spectrum of force available to meet future challenges; and action must be taken to solve the "nuclear equation" regarding control and deployment of nuclear weapons.

In analyzing the economic problems of the Atlantic Community, the Honorable Gabriel Hauge, former special assistant to the President for economics affairs, concluded that, "Not only is some form of partnership across the Atlantic possible, but it is increasingly necessary." The increasing vitality of the Common Market makes it imperative that we conclude arrangements designed to mini-



The Hon. Allen W. Dulles chats with students after delivering the banquet address concerning national security policy.

mize discrimination against US and free world trade with Europe. Such a partnership can be achieved only after negotiating the implementation of the recent trade expansion act, elaborating a mutually beneficial agricultural policy, providing for expanding trade with the Commonwealth and the developing nations, and instituting some type of arrangements to reduce the frequency and magnitude of periodic recessions. Dr. Hauge stressed his view that the present need is not for the creation of new organizations but for hard-headed and realistic negotiations leading to a sound Atlantic partnership in the economic field.

On Thursday morning, the students assembled for the first of five 2½ hour round-table meetings. On the basis of their preferences, students participated in the following functionally organized round-tables:

Political Aspects of Community,  
Security Aspects of Community,  
Economic Aspects of Community,  
and The Community Relations with Developing Nations.

Senior individuals from universities, business organizations, military agencies, private foundations, and governmental agencies acted as chairmen and advisors for these round-tables. There is always a danger that meetings including such recognized experts will cease being discussions and will turn into a question and answer period or an informal lecture; therefore, the chairmen and advisers limited their participation to two functions: quickly resolving questions of fact when the students needed assistance and briefly stating aspects of the problem which otherwise might have been overlooked.

To give direction to the discussions and to place reasonable limits on policies proposed, the conferees were asked to assume that their round-table group was a working committee of responsible government officials engaged in ascertaining and examining facts and considerations, weighing pros and cons of alternative courses of action by the United States, and making policy recommendations. The discussions were further focused by providing the

conferees with an agenda which outlined the major problems and questions pertinent to each particular round-table topic.

Colonel G. A. Lincoln, Professor and Head of the Department of Social Sciences, chaired a second panel discussion dealing with security policy on Thursday evening. The objective of this panel was to give the students a "slice of reality" from the standpoints of the executive branch, the legislative branch, and the press. This panel was deliberately scheduled in the middle of the conference to put a brake on the tendency of some conferees to hastily accept superficially easy answers to the very complex issues relating to the Atlantic Community.

The Honorable John N. Irwin II, former Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, focused his analysis on postwar factors that have influenced the continuing evolution to decision-making procedures in the Executive Branch. Nuclear power, the necessity to maintain a large military establishment, collective security arrangements, rapid scientific advances, the high cost of modern weapons, and previous commitments have all had a great impact on the development of policy-making institutions within the Executive Branch and on relations of the Executive Branch with Congress.

Speaking for the Legislative Branch, the Honorable Cornelius E. Gallagher, US Representative from the 13th district of New Jersey, emphasized the important, positive role of Congress in the field of national security and policy. Refuting those who maintain that Congress exercises only a negative influence in this area, he referred to several instances where Congress has exercised initiative in the formulation of security policy. In particular, he cited support in Congress for more "balanced" military forces, possessing a greater conventional capability to meet limited challenges. Furthermore, he stressed the important educative functions of Congress in informing public opinion through investigations and hearings.

Mr. Douglass Cater, Washington Editor of the *Reporter*, explained the role of the press in relation to national security policy. In Mr. Cater's opinion, the press not only influences public opinion in general but also functions as an internal communications facility for the Washington community, where "the capacity for a program or a policy to attract public attention frequently means the difference between life or death for that program." He stressed that only self-discipline and realization of its great responsibilities could enable the press to eliminate frequent inadequacies caused by oversimplification of complex policies, premature disclosure of proposed governmental policies, and excessive emphasis on discord within the government or among allied governments.

After participating in round-table meetings in the morning and afternoon, the conferees assembled in Cullum Memorial Hall on Friday evening for the conference banquet. The banquet address was delivered by the Honorable Allen W. Dulles, former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. Mr. Dulles explained that many years of experience as a governmental official had impressed upon him several key lessons about the formulation of national security policy: changing policy in a democracy is a long and complex process, it is vitally important that government purposes be stated with utmost clarity and that these purposes be backed with a capability and willingness to act, and we have too often failed to grasp the real meanings of communism and its purposes. He concluded with an assessment of the present situation and ended on an optimistic note: "While we still face a power-

ful and dangerous opponent, if one looks at the free world's position of power and at the position and problems of the communist world, I think one can take hope, and you, the generation that will be taking over, can help lead us through all this successfully."

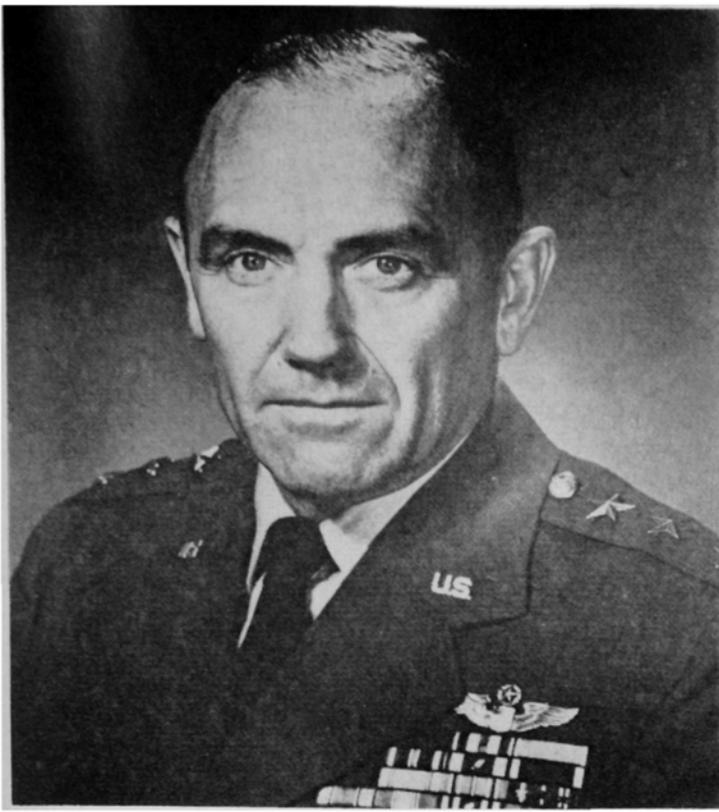
At the final round-table meeting on Saturday morning, the delegates compiled final reports of the conclusions they had reached after 12½ hours of discussion. Student speakers presented several of these reports to the entire conference at the concluding luncheon. A permanent record of all the speeches, panel discussions, and round-table reports will be published by the conference staff and distributed to the participants, US and Canadian colleges, and numerous educators and governmental officials. Readers may obtain copies of the *Proceedings of SCUSA XIV* by requesting them directly from the Department of Social Sciences.

During the conference, the participants were given an opportunity to gain a thorough understanding of the mission and functioning of the Military Academy. The cadet staff conducted a tour of the post, organized visits to various classes, and selected First Classmen presented discussions on various aspects of cadet life. In addition to these events, the conferees were able to meet for informal discussion and exchange of ideas at receptions held each evening after the daily conference activities had been completed. At these receptions, the students had a chance to buttonhole the senior speakers and panelists over doughnuts and coffee. These events undoubtedly provided some of the most stimulating discussions at the conference.

On Sunday morning, five of the students appeared on "The Dorothy Gordon Youth Forum," broadcast by WABC-TV in New York. This program served as an extension of the conference, as the students discussed "How Important to Maintain the Atlantic Community?" with Miss Gordon and Ambassador Theodore C. Achilles of the Atlantic Council.

Viewing SCUSA XIV in retrospect, it is apparent that many benefits were accrued both to the student delegates and to the Military Academy. The visiting students, by and large, enjoyed this cooperative educational experience and took full advantage of the opportunity to benefit from contact with the recognized experts who acted as speakers, panelists, and round-table leaders. During the conference, the students not only sharpened their knowledge of the political, security, and economic aspects of the Atlantic Community but also became thoroughly familiarized with the processes involved in the formulation of national security policy.

From the standpoint of the Military Academy, SCUSA XIV produced several beneficial results. The cadets who participated in the conference and in the preparatory seminar sessions expanded their knowledge of national security problems and policy formulation. This experience will definitely contribute to their continued development as they move out into their careers as professional officers. Secondly, members of the cadet staff gained invaluable experience in planning and administering the thousands of details connected with the conference. A third, and most rewarding, aspect of the conference was that it provided an excellent opportunity for the visiting students, the senior experts, and the cadets to gain a mutually beneficial understanding of the thoughts and ideals of one another. The rapport which developed between these future civilian and military leaders of the coming generation will undoubtedly contribute to the national security of the United States.



# General RYAN '38 HONORED...

**L**T. GEN. JOHN DALE RYAN, '38, USAF, was the recipient of the 1962 *Sports Illustrated* Silver Anniversary All-America Award, on 4 December, at the National Football Hall of Fame Dinner in New York.

The silver goal post trophy is one more honor for Gen. Ryan, who currently serves as commanding general of the 2d Air Force, a Strategic Air Command unit. Among his military honors are the Legion of Merit, Silver Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Distinguished Flying Cross with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Purple Heart.

Gen. Ryan was nominated by the US Military Academy for the All-America Award because of his outstanding football performances as first-string Army fullback, and because of his military accomplishments.

Twenty-five *Sports Illustrated* award-winners were chosen from 60 nominations and citations made by colleges and universities all over the country. A panel of 12 judges in connection with the magazine selected Gen. Ryan for the "Silver All-America 1962" by ballot. The *Sports Illustrated* issue of 10 December (General Ryan's 47th birthday) publicized the winners and judges.

The 10 December magazine issue also featured in caricature the highlight of Gen. Ryan's Army football career. His moment of glory came during the Army-Harvard game in 1937. The Crimson had fumbled on the Harvard 33-yard. Ryan recovered the fumble, and scored on a fourth down with only inches to play. This touchdown tied the game 6-6. "Ryan of the Army" (as his class yearbook states) kicked the extra point, giving the Cadets a 7-6 edge. Then, during the last seconds of the game, Harvard attempted a pass. Ryan intercepted at the Army goal-line, and the game ended.

Also playing on the same team with Gen. Ryan at that time was Charlie "Monk" Meyer, who was selected for *Sports Illustrated's* Silver Anniversary All-America team of 1961. The Army coach then was Capt. "Gar" Davidson, and during Ryan's playing span Army won 18, lost 7, and tied 1.

To quote *Sports Illustrated*: "The winners were selected because of conspicuous achievement in both professional and community life in the years since their last season of collegiate football a quarter century ago." Among the other 24 award winners, sharing the All-America achievement with Gen. Ryan, are Associate US Supreme Court Justice Byron "Whizzer" White, Clint Frank of Yale, and John Michelosen of Pittsburgh.

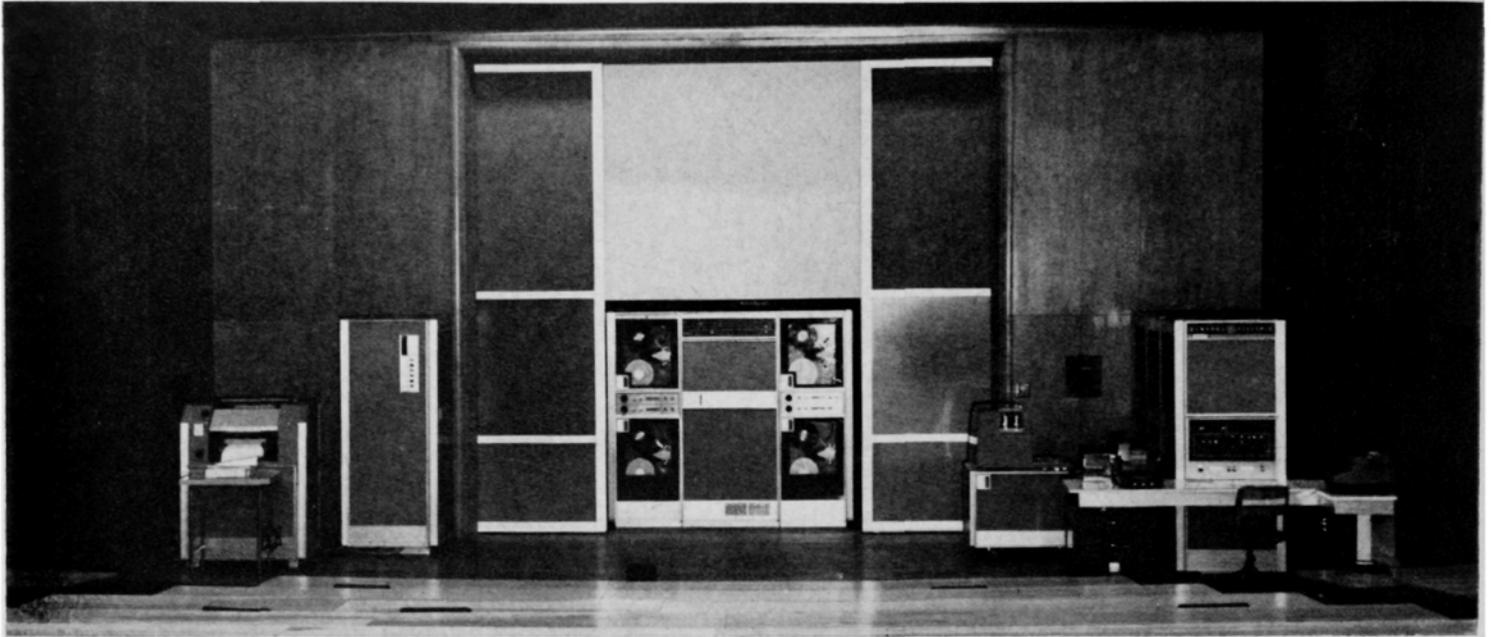
Gen. Ryan came to West Point from Cherokee, Iowa. Commissioned upon graduation in the Field Artillery, he transferred later to the Army Air Corps. His assignments since then have included: squadron commander at the Army Air Force Bombardier School; assistant to the assistant chief of staff for operations of the 2d Air Force; in Italy—deputy commander of the 2d Bomb Group, operations and training officer of the 5th Bomb Wing, commanding officer of the 2d Bomb Group.

After World War II, Gen. Ryan's assignments: director of operations and training of the Army Air Force Training Command at Randolph Field; duty with TASK Group 1.5 of *Operation Crossroads*, the atomic bomb tests at Bikini; assistant chief of staff for operations of the 8th Air Force; commander of the 509th Bomb Wing, the 97th Bomb Wing, and the 810th Air Division.

In 1952 he was promoted to brigadier general. In 1953 he joined the Strategic Air Command as commander of the 19th Air Division at Carswell Air Force Base, Tex. In 1956 he became Director of Materiel, SAC, with rank of major general. In 1960 he took command of the 16th Air Force, Torrejon Air Base, Spain. On 1 July 1961 he was promoted to lieutenant general and took command of 2d Air Force, SAC.

To quote *Sports Illustrated* again: "If a phrase can be used to describe the postcollege careers of the award winners, it is that they have done and continue to do their chosen work quietly and well." In accordance with this, Gen. Ryan lives and works quietly and well at Barksdale Air Force Base, La. His wife Jo C. and his daughter Patty Jo live with him. His two sons, Michael E. and John Dale Jr., attend the Air Force Academy.

# COMPUTERS and a WEST POINT EDUCATION\*



Academic Computer Center, Thayer Hall

**S**TARTING this current academic year, every cadet will receive "hands on" instruction on a computer in his Fourth Class year. He will prepare problems for solution, program and operate the computer.

To some people this instruction may seem long overdue; to others it may seem unnecessary or premature. The purpose of this article is to examine the relationship of computer activities to our educational objectives, to explain the background behind the decision to take this action, and to describe what else is being done in the general area of computer planning, utilization, and integration into the academic program.

It would have been a very easy thing for West Point to "keep up with the Joneses" educationally by obtaining a large scale digital computer some years ago. We did not. To have done so would have invited a risk—weakening one of the prime values of the traditional West Point education by the substitution of a glamorous new "gimmick" for fundamentals. Instead our approach has been to go back to basic objectives—the mission of the Military Academy—and determine what place, if any, computers have in philosophy of education.

Our mission says nothing about training computer technicians. The mission of the US Military Academy is to instruct and train the Corps of Cadets so that each graduate will have the qualities and attributes essential to his progressive and continued development throughout a lifetime career as an officer of the regular Army.

Our emphasis is not on technology per se. West Point's educational philosophy insists that the highest purpose of academic experience is to develop a disciplined mind; one which is inquisitive in its pursuit of knowledge, clear in its perception of mission, flexible in its reaction to problems, open to the inevitability of change, and above all, confi-

\*Because of the article on analog computers in the Summer 1962 issue of *ASSEMBLY*, this article will specifically discuss only digital computers.

dent that within its own resources are to be found the means for solution of its problems. If computers can contribute significantly to our objectives, they can have an important place in a West Point education. If they cannot, they will have only a peripheral position similar to that of radar, nuclear reactors, wind tunnels and other significant but peripheral topics.

The value of computers to a West Point education has been under intensive investigation for some time. Perhaps the critical point in the development of the present plans of the Academy was the report of the Academic Computer Committee in December 1960. The report of this committee recognized that the digital computer had great promise in contributing to two objectives inherent in the mission of the Academy, specifically:

1. To provide a broad collegiate education in the arts and sciences leading to the Bachelor of Science degree.
2. To provide a broad military education upon which subsequent technical proficiency may be developed.

These two objectives, only one of which exists in civilian universities, provide West Point with a unique challenge and a unique opportunity.

First, let us consider the military aspect. Today computers are just beginning to become an important military tool, not just in logistic and administrative work and as components of complex weapons systems, but even in field operations. For example, there is currently in production a small computer, the FADAC, which will appear in the fire direction centers of conventional tube Artillery battalions, not just with complex systems like the Redstone missile system. The Artillery Board and the US Army Electronic Proving Ground together are working on computer-centered fire planning using a BASICPAC computer at division FDC's, and so on. At higher levels computers are being used for weapons and target evaluation, intelligence collation, and an ever-increasing variety of complex tasks. Not long ago a large *mobile digital computer* (the MOB-

DIC) stopped at USMA enroute from tests in the Boston area to its "home" at Fort Monmouth and was set up and operated in Central Area.

With the increased use of computers comes inevitably the possibility of misuse. Intimations that some military people feel this might have occurred have been aired repeatedly in the popular press. For example, a recent article in the *US News & World Report* mentioned, among others, the decision on proceeding with the development of the B-70 bomber. As you probably know, the place of this weapons system in the overall plan of the nation's defense was studied on a computer. The Department of Defense accepted the computer's solution to this problem, which indicated that this weapons system should not be pursued further. Those who appreciate the capabilities and limitations of a computer know computer-processed decisions are no more valid than the data fed into the computer and the assumptions implicit in the evaluation procedures followed by the computer. The procedures to be followed are not built into the computer—they are put there by people. The computer is thereby a super-fast automated clerk which follows instructions. You have heard of the term "out-maneuvered." The Air Force objected to this decision and said they were "out-computered," basing their argument on the validity of the data and assumptions of the computer program use. Whether or not their objections are valid is not important here. What is important is the need demonstrated for officers at the highest staff levels, as well as the lowest operating level, to appreciate the capabilities and limitations of computers.

We believe that it is essential for all future cadets while at the Military Academy, as a part of their undergraduate curriculum, to develop sufficient familiarity with computers so that they will know what a computer can do and what it cannot do. Instead of being at the mercy of computers and computer specialists, we want them to be confident that they can properly control and supervise these potent new tools and properly evaluate the significance of results produced by them.

Every cadet learns to drive a truck, but certainly we are not educating him to be a truck driver. Every cadet gets to drive a tank and to fire a machine gun, but our objective is not to make him a tank driver or a machine gunner. We believe that one of the best ways to create an intelligent appreciation of the capabilities and limitations of these military tools is some amount, no matter how small, of "hands on" experience to give meaning and emphasis to whatever we teach. Thus, we believe "hands on" computer training is important.

Now, let us consider the computer as an academic tool in civilian universities. Today well over 150 colleges and universities utilize digital computers as academic tools in their programs of instruction. Initially considered the private preserve of the electrical engineering and/or mathematics departments in most universities, computers have proven their value to ever widening fields of academic endeavor. Consider, for example, the following quotation from the educational page of *The New York Times*, 1 Jul 62:

"A new tool has joined the library and the index card as an essential aide to scholarly research in many fields—the high speed computer. To assist anthropologists, economists, chemists, mathematicians, historians, medical scientists and others in their research and to try to develop new and more efficient ways to use these machines in the university, industry and government... [computer centers have been established]. In recent years investigators have used computers to simulate a complex

business operation so that students could practice running the "business," to help determine the authorship of several of the Federalist papers by analyzing and comparing the styles of known writings by Hamilton, Jay, and Madison; and to formulate and prove mathematical theorems."

Because of the applicability of computers to a wide variety of academic disciplines, there is a distinct tendency toward the development of integrated computer center facilities which provide the entire university with computing capabilities that no individual department could hope to provide. The Harvard Foundation *Newsletter* describes the Harvard approach as follows:

"The Computing Center is conceived as not merely a physical location for computing machines, but rather as a common meeting ground for faculty and students of all disciplines in which computers play a major role. The computer would thus act as a nucleus or catalyst for many intellectual activities of the University. Such a central facility may eventually, as individual needs arise, be supplemented by smaller machines located directly on the premises of a particular Faculty or research group. These machines would be compatible with the central computer...."

"Necessary as the equipment is, it is becoming increasingly evident that the mechanics of learning to program a computer are only a small portion of what is necessary to make effective use of them. A profound understanding of the analytic, statistical, algebraic, and logical problems inherent in the satisfactory application of this new tool to various disciplines is essential."

There are, quite properly, distinct differences in emphasis between the Harvard approach and the West Point approach. Not the least of these is that their emphasis in computer use is on research and ours is on teaching. However, the second paragraph of this quotation from the Harvard Foundation *Newsletter* might almost be considered the keynote to the West Point computer effort. Computer technology is only a small part of an effective academic plan for using computers. In fact, as you shall see, the West Point plan envisions that the average cadet will get a minimum of computer instruction—but a maximum of direct individual exposure to and practical use of computers.

During the summer of 1961, the Department of Electricity obtained from the US Army Signal Corps the small general purpose digital computer shown on the first page of this article. This machine had been used—and abused—in field tests at the Army Electronic Proving Ground, but had been reconditioned to make it suitable for classroom use. This machine was used to teach our first full-semester elective course in digital computers. (Approximately 40% of the Second Class have for some years been receiving 5 hours of computer instruction as part of the basic electricity course.) Even more significantly from a long-term viewpoint the RECOMP was used to teach instructors from a variety of academic departments the capabilities and limitations of computers. It was also used to conduct experimental teaching of Fourth Classmen as part of the advanced programs in both engineering fundamentals (Dept of ES&GS) and mathematics, to run demonstrations of linear programming solutions for mathematics courses, to prepare solutions for civil engineering problems (Dept of MA&E), for cadet research monographs (Dept of Ordnance), and a variety of other uses. Thus, the faculty of many departments became increasingly aware of what computers could and could not do.

While all this was going on—actually ahead of it, in most cases—the Comptroller of the Military Academy was planning for the utilization of a computer to solve data processing problems of the post. These include those aspects of academic recordkeeping and administration already being performed by the post machine records facility (punched card data processing). This plan wisely envisioned the academic instruction possibilities of such a system and did much both to spur the academic departments to action and to clear the way financially and administratively for the system now envisioned.

By the spring of 1962 the potentialities of the computer as an academic tool in a number of academic areas had been demonstrated. The Academic Board, sparked by General Bessell and Colonels Nicholas, Cutler, and Broshous was ready to take action. An integrated program of instruction was planned, starting with an introduction to computers and how to use them, to be given to *all* Fourth Classmen as a part of their instruction in engineering fundamentals given by the Department of ES&GS. Thus, starting this academic year, the digital computer will take its place with the slide rule as a part of the basic kit of tools of every cadet in his plebe year.

Much of this basic introduction would soon be forgotten if it were not related to instruction in other departments or if the cadet were not required to use his newly gained knowledge. However, instruction in other departments does dovetail with this instruction. For example, the Fourth Classman will learn a variety of computer-related mathematical techniques in Fourth Class mathematics, as well as basic principles such as the binary number system which relate to the inner workings of computers. The Department of Mathematics will also be the first department other than ES&GS to require the cadet to use the computer as a tool, specifically as a tool to demonstrate and clarify basic concepts of mathematics. Such requirements will, in some cases, continue into and increase in Third Class mathematics and also spread out among other academic departments.

An excellent example of the potential use of the computer as a tool to aid in the teaching of mathematical principles is its use to demonstrate and clarify the fundamental concept of integration. We have for many years attempted to drive home this concept by having the cadet divide the area under a curve into strips, then sum the area of the strips to approximate the area under the curve. By using ever narrower strips we can show that this area

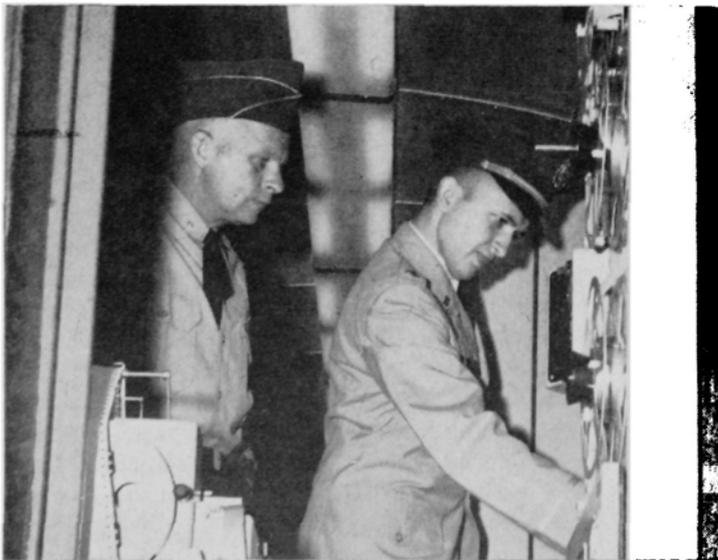
converges to a limit which is the definite integral. This approach is very graphic and very effective, but to show results effectively takes a good deal of time-consuming arithmetic. If the calculations are not performed, the point is not made truly believable. If the cadet is required to perform them, boredom sets in and the overall view of the forest is often obscured by the details of the trees. However, if a cadet programs a computer to do the arithmetic, he can then run the problem quickly and automatically with a wide variety of different strip widths and, hence, demonstrate clearly and decisively to himself and to his instructor the basic mathematical point without the necessity of hours of calculation.

Now repeat this process with appropriate problems in physics, chemistry, electricity, mechanics, ordnance, military engineering, and so on, and you have not only aided in the instruction of those subjects, but you have developed the basis of a very thorough appreciation of computer capabilities and limitations, even if the man never studies the computer as such. Moreover, this is learning by doing. As such, it is much more likely to be retained for the time years hence when as an officer, the cadet may need to have such an appreciation.

As we see it, the computer can contribute to education in present subject areas in various ways. First, it can be used by the cadet as a sort of "super slide rule" or "super desk calculator" in solving assigned problems. If, for example, in a statistics class he is given a large amount of raw data to classify and test, he will be free to use the computer to do the work for him. If in a nuclear physics laboratory he makes observation on the half-life of an isotope which he must then fit to a curve, he can use the computer to do an accurate least-squares curve fit (and when we have a plotter to do the plotting of the curve, too, giving a much neater, more accurate and more professional job than he could otherwise do).

Next, the computer can be used to permit the teaching of more advanced theory, theory which is closer to that in actual practical use by engineers, scientists and others today, than that which it is possible to teach without computers. The computer makes it possible to solve the more difficult equations which often result from such advanced theory and which would otherwise be too laborious to solve. For example, one of the limitations in teaching linear programming techniques in mathematics has always been the amount of labor involved in grinding out a solution to any problem which was large enough to deserve solution by linear programming techniques. In management engineering, advanced management and scheduling systems such as Program Evaluation and Review Technique (PERT) often involve calculations which are too laborious to be considered unless performed by computer. In social sciences some of the modern techniques of economic analysis such as input-output analysis (which is widely used by the Russians for their economic planning) are completely unthinkable without computer solutions. In physics and electricity many important problems in electrostatics and electromagnetic fields and waves are impractical of solution without the aid of a computer. In mechanics and military engineering the modern trend in analysis is the use of matrix formulations of problems, which require the high speeds which a computer can achieve in performing matrix manipulations to make their solution practical. In ordnance and ES&GS trajectory and orbit calculations are ideal problems for computer solution. And so on, ad nauseam.

When a computer is available and has suitable output devices, such as curve plotters, it can become a valuable



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teaching tool. For example, in engineering problems it is common to make simplifying assumptions which permit problems to be solved readily. What simplifying assumptions are appropriate? How much error do they cause? Under what conditions do they fail? These are all significant questions. The high speed capability of the computer which allows it to calculate results both with and without the simplifying assumptions then gives an instructor the ability to show *in class* the effects of simplifying assumptions used in the text. It gives him a chance to show solutions where the simplifying assumptions break down and fail, as well as cases where they work and, hence, give students an opportunity to develop and improve their "engineering judgment."

This area has been one of particular interest to the Department of MA&E where Col. Schilling has been experimenting on the RECOMP with the application of this concept to structures problems. Col. Schilling summarizes the result of his studies in this area as follows:

"The speed of a computer and its flexibility do produce a capability which I believe the instructor can, through judicious application, use in his classroom to make his instruction more meaningful. I believe that by such an approach as that we have just discussed the student would not only appreciate more fully the theory which the instructor has been trying to give him, but he will also see this theory in its relationship to engineering applications by rapidly seeing the effects of variations on the parameters of the theory."

In a related sense the computer can also contribute to one of the traditional strong points of a West Point education—the interplay between student and instructor—by adding markedly to the instructor's ability to answer questions of the "What if . . ." type. By allowing the student to pose problem variations or special cases which are meaningful to him in his development of a "feel" for the subject and providing a means for the instructor to obtain solutions which answer the question without taking up half of a class period to do the necessary computations, the computer can materially improve instructor-student feedback.

The computer can also contribute dynamic demonstrations to classroom teaching which add to the interest and meaningfulness of instruction. For example, if an instructor is attempting to explain the workings of the cadet aptitude system, he can demonstrate the processing procedures and the effects of poor rating procedures. He could actually do in class examples of some of the correlation studies which are made and so on, thus giving the student a focus of interest which would lead to insight which he might not be able to gain from a conventional lecture presentation. In other cases running classroom or lecture demonstration solutions with problem parameters obtained from members of the class can add interest and dynamic action to a topic which the student might otherwise consider dull. Perhaps there is no need to go further. Jumping off from these few examples, an imaginative teacher can think up an almost limitless number of variations whereby he can make use of this dynamic new classroom tool.

Yet another area where the computer can contribute to academics is the area of academic administration and the development and analysis of academic statistics. I will not dwell upon this, but the Thayer system of teaching does lead to problems (and to opportunities) in this area which can be readily exploited by a computer.

Before we leave the academic implications of the com-



Small digital computer, department of Electricity

puter, it is appropriate to discuss its impact on thought processes and mental discipline.

Traditionally, certain subjects, notably mathematics and the Latin language, have been considered to have value far beyond their subject matter because of the mental discipline which they developed and enforced. Will the study of computers and/or the use of computers lead to any special benefits of this kind? We will not really know until we have a good deal of practical experience, but there are distinct indications that they will.

First, the problem of solving a problem with a computer is a problem of "transfer of skill." It involves transferring the problem-solving skill of a human into a definitive SOP (mathematicians would call this an algorithm), expressing this in terms which are exact and precise enough so that a computer can accept and interpret them, and then allowing the computer to do the detailed work of problem solution. Doing this forces one to look at problem solving procedures carefully and exactly. Errors, either of omission or commission, often cause the computer to do strange and wonderful things—often things which bear no relationship to what one really wanted. The computer forces one to make a plan to cover each alternative—even if that plan is merely to have the computer print out the words "unexplored alternative." It forces one to follow up and check the reasonability of results, and so on. It forces one to concentrate upon the procedures to be followed rather than upon the numbers and mechanics of the mathematical questions involved.

It is perhaps significant that we have discussed computers at length without mentioning bits, or word length or magnetic tape or any of the technical mumbo, jumbo of the field. To a few people (myself included) computers are interesting in themselves, but to the great majority of people, and specifically to the great majority of cadets, *computers are interesting primarily because of what they can do*. In this area we are just beginning to scratch the surface.

Now that we have discussed something of the academic uses and plans for computers, the question arises what are we doing to implement these plans? What facilities are we setting aside; what equipment are we obtaining; and above all, what are we doing about people to implement these plans?

It is convenient to divide the answers to this into three time phases:

1. Prior to January 1963 (when the entire Class of 1966 receives its introductory training in computers).
2. Prior to September 1964.
3. Subsequent to September 1964.

In January 1963 the first full class of cadets is to receive an 8-hour introductory course in computer programming

and operation. By then we must have an operational capability for teaching, running problems, etc. Already approximately 60 members of our faculty have attended a course on the particular computer language to be used and additional faculty training courses are scheduled at least 2 hours per day every day from now until arrival of the computer.

Equipment requirements are to be met by installing a medium-capability GE-225 computer in Room 104, Thayer Hall, one of the very fine "map rooms" which provide seating and table top working space for 194 students. This room already has excellent movie, slide projection, blackboard, and other training support facilities. At the earliest possible date closed-circuit projection TV will be used to give a large screen projection of detailed information from the computer console, printer or plotter.

Some of the figures associated with the time-sharing and utilization of the computer during this period are a bit shaking. For example, to give each fourth classman an opportunity to view and participate in the set-up of the computer for solving one of his ES&GS problems we must schedule the same class at the computer 56 times to allow him to be part of a regular section-sized group or 175 times to allow him to be part of a 4-man laboratory group. Needless to say scheduling a single computer to be used this number of times in conjunction with regularly scheduled academics becomes a virtually impossible task. Hence there is a need for a phase-two plan which provides additional classroom computer capability.

This phase-two capability was originally planned for September 1963, but has been deferred to September 1964 by Department of Defense. By this date we plan to have operational a complete academic facility, including, in addition to Room 104, Thayer Hall, a computer center containing a central GE-225 computer with magnetic tapes (see photo page 14) and its associated classroom, two satellite classrooms each containing a GE-225 with a smaller complement of peripheral equipment (see photo page 17) and necessary support facilities such as a program library, data preparation area, maintenance and supply area, etc.

The parallel between the West Point plans and the recommendations of the Ford Foundation "Report on Computers for Engineering Education" (Aug 60) is rather striking, but actually quite unintentional. That report projected computer use in *instruction* for a hypothetical engineering college of 2,400 students as establishing a requirement for 4-5 computers of the IBM 650 class.

This facility will be located in area now occupied by the Materials Testing Laboratory (better known as the Concrete and Soils Lab). The Department of MA&E will vacate this area on the first floor of Thayer Hall this semester, leaving the second semester of this academic year for the necessary site preparation work, preparatory to installation of the computers in June. The computers will be checked out and given their baptism of fire in instructing the faculty of the various academic departments during the summer and be ready for full service at the start of the academic year.

Both of these locations are visualized as interim sites. The material testing laboratory site, in particular, will be rather rough-and-ready; by no means up to the quality of other instructional areas in Thayer Hall. Various alternatives are still under consideration for a final site. One is to include the computer facility in a proposed new Science-Engineering Laboratory Building. Another proposal is to locate the computer center in the writ-room area of Thayer

Hall which will be occupied by the Library until completion of the new Library building next October.

This academic computer center, consisting of one main computer and three smaller satellite computers, each with its associated classroom facilities, will not belong to any one academic department nor to a post administrative activity. Instead, it will be a common academic center under the Dean, providing services analogous in many ways to the Library. Its facilities will enable academic departments to teach four sections of 15 cadets concurrently, with each section having its own computer classroom. Alternatively, it will allow lecture and workshop presentations in a single room to groups as large as 12 sections, plus academic service center operations, plus facilities for two cadets to work individual problems—all concurrently.

The center will have a small staff including a mathematical analyst and two programmer-instructors. Their main function will be to provide guidance, assistance and technical instruction on computer techniques and programming to academic departments and to individual instructors and cadets. Their job will *not* be to do all the computer problem analysis programming, operation, and instruction for the various academic departments.

In addition to its classroom use the main computer will provide service like a conventional university academic computer center, accepting programs and data from instructors or cadets and returning to them processed results: either answers or post-mortem information from unsuccessful runs.

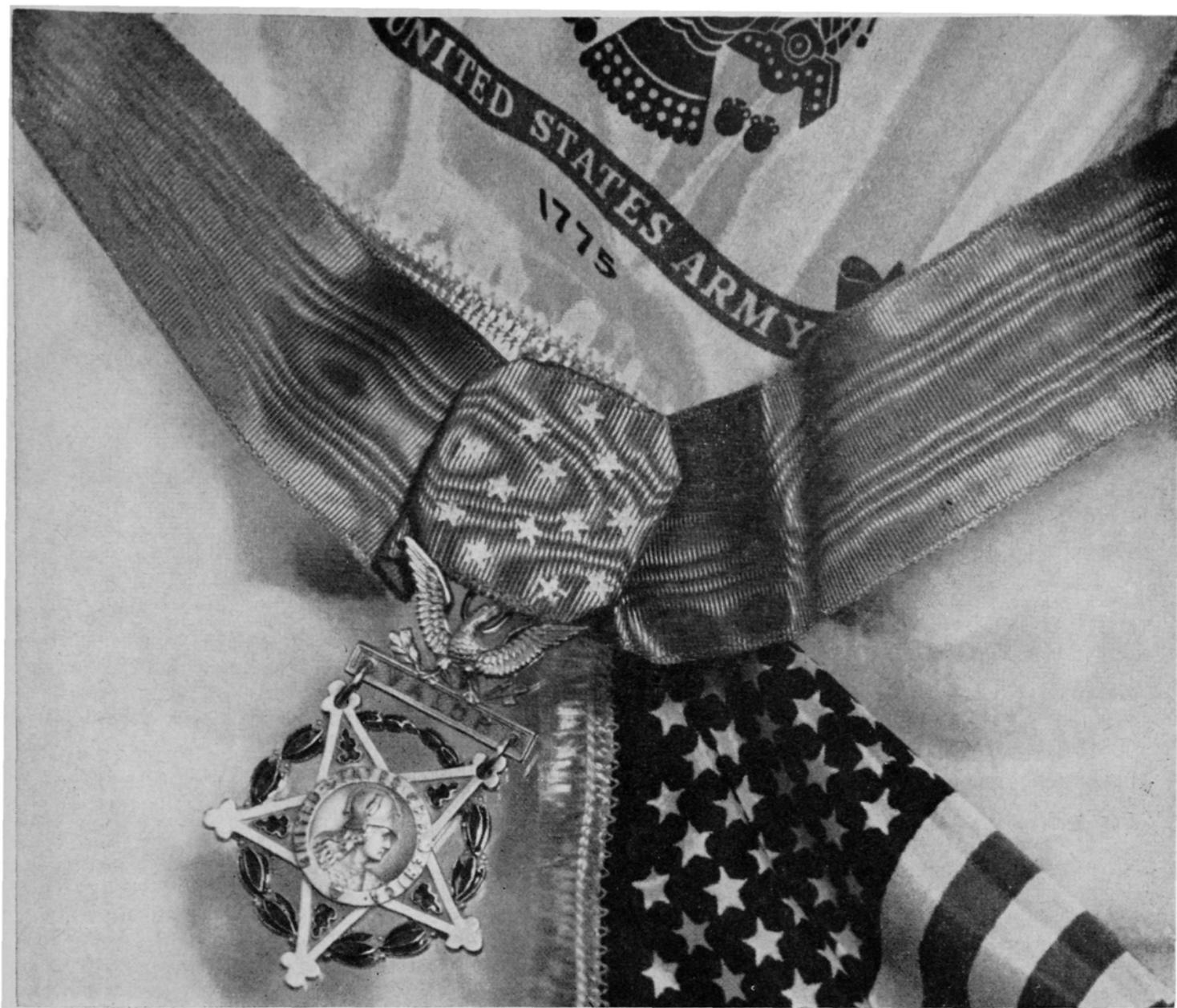
Instructors and cadets, after appropriate initial orientation, will be encouraged to use either the satellite computer or the central computer during the evenings and other times when the machines are not tied up by classes or service-center operation. To use computer terminology, this will be a truly "open shop" operation rather than the "closed shop" found in so many business-type operations, or the "open shop programming—closed shop operation" prevalent in so many university computer centers.

In summary we can say that we have deferred procurement of a large system when it was first possible in favor of carefully planning a system and concepts for its utilization geared to the specific requirements and traditional philosophy of a West Point education.

We are introducing every cadet to the computer in his Fourth Class year and requiring him to use it in many courses in various academic departments during each of his four years as a cadet. For most cadets there will be a minimum of formal computer instruction and a maximum of "hands on" exposure to computers and "learning by doing" in courses which are not basically computer courses. For the cadet who develops a specific interest in computers there will be electives in which he can pursue his interest in computers or computer-oriented mathematics.

To implement this program we expect to install a medium-capability computer late this year in Thayer Hall. By the start of the next academic year we plan to have a complete educational facility consisting of a main computer with associated classroom plus three satellite computers each in a classroom, and necessary support, all located in interim facilities in Thayer Hall. We will not have the biggest or the fastest computer facility in the country, but we will have an extremely capable and versatile facility which will be a major addition to our educational facilities. We believe it will be truly outstanding among those facilities planned and used primarily for undergraduate instruction.

Together this integrated academic plan and this new academic facility will meet the challenges of the future.



## MEDAL of HONOR CENTENNIAL

**I**n observance of the Medal of Honor Centennial, which ends 25 March 1963, the Association of Graduates brings to your attention four former cadets (non-graduates) who received this medal for gallantry and intrepidity in the Civil War, the Philippine Insurrection, and World War II.

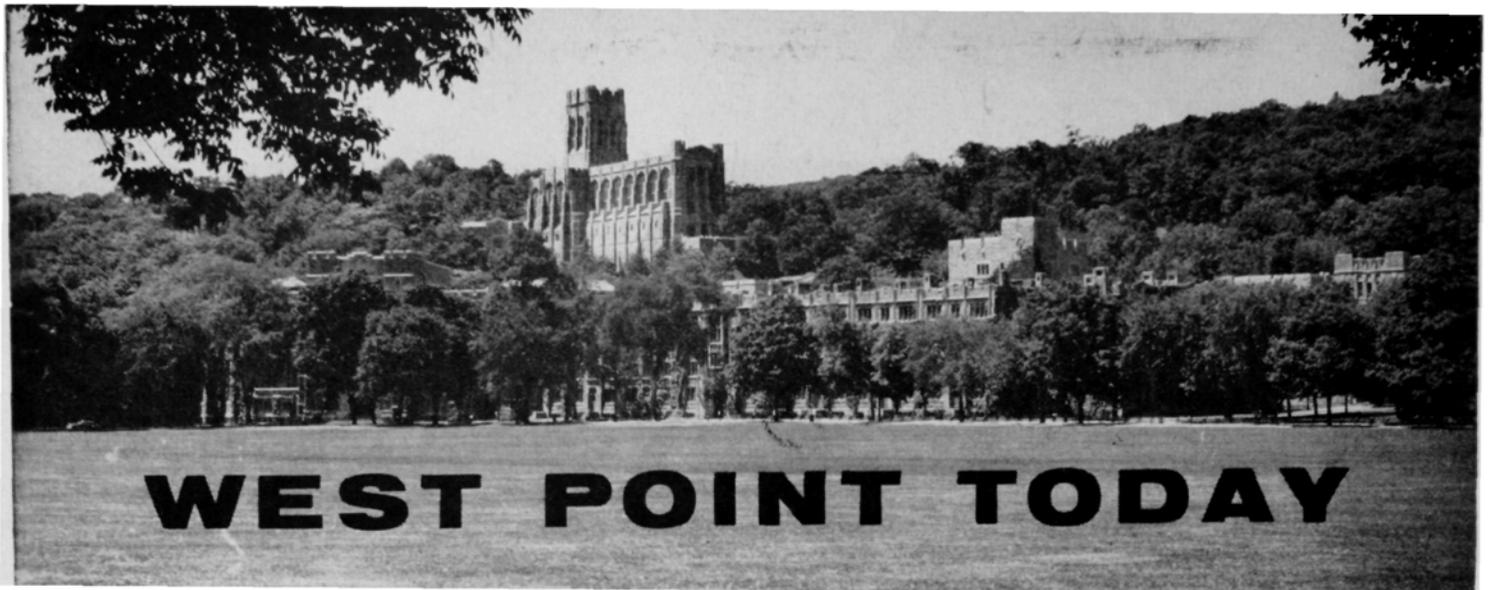
Charles H. Tompkins (x1851), 1st lieutenant, 2d US Cavalry, won his recommendation for the Medal of Honor at Fairfax, Va. on 1 June 1861. At this time in the Civil War he charged twice through the enemy's lines and, taking a carbine from an enlisted man, shot the enemy's captain.

Later in the war, John C. Robinson (x1839), Brigadier General, US Volunteers, placed himself at the head of the leading brigade in a charge at Laurel Hill, Va., on 8 May 1864, and was severely wounded.

John A. Logan (x1887), Major, 33d Infantry, US Volunteers, earned his medal during the Philippine Insurrection. On 11 November 1899, at San Jacinto, Philippine Islands, he was mortally wounded when he led his battalion upon the enemy's intrenchments.

Michael J. Daly (x1945), Captain, 3d Infantry Division, was a World War II medal winner. On 18 April 1945, at Nuremberg, Germany, he killed 15 Germans, silenced three machine guns, and wiped out an entire patrol after several single-handed fire-fights.

The Congressional Medal of Honor is the highest military award for bravery, and the United States Military Academy has been well-represented by its graduates and non-graduates who have risked their lives above and beyond the call of duty.



# WEST POINT TODAY

## SALUTING

**GENERAL SITUATION.**—You are a USMA graduate. You are in civilian attire. Whether you are retired or still on active duty has no bearing on the situations which follow.

**SPECIAL SITUATION.**—You are a spectator at a parade or a review. The band plays ruffles and flourishes in honor of the reviewing officer.

**REQUIREMENT.**—What do you do?

**SPECIAL SITUATION.**—You are a spectator at a retreat parade. The band plays the National Anthem or “To the Color.” Troops in formation execute Present Arms. Uniformed military individuals among the spectators execute the hand salute.

**REQUIREMENT.**—What do you do?

The solutions to these requirements are found in Changes No. 4 (6 October 1961) to Army Regulations No. 600-25, Salutes and Honors. From observations made at parades and other ceremonies, it is apparent that many of our graduates are not aware of these latest changes to the AR, which explain in detail what male military individuals should do at appropriate times during military ceremonies. Applicable portions of Changes No. 4 are quoted herewith:

“Military personnel in civilian attire, in the vicinity of the ceremonial party will uncover, face the individual being honored, and stand at attention. If the National Anthem is a part of the honors, military personnel in the vicinity of the ceremonial party will face the flag displayed in the ceremonial formation and salute. . . . Military personnel in civilian attire salute in the same manner as prescribed in [the next paragraph]. If the flag is not displayed, military personnel not in the ceremonial formation, face the music and, if in uniform, render the hand salute; if in civilian attire, they stand at attention, men removing the headdress. Customarily, other civilian personnel face the person being honored and stand at attention.”

“At the last note of retreat a gun will be fired if the ceremony is on a military installation, at which time the band or field music will play the National Anthem or sound ‘To the Color’ and the flag will start to be lowered. . . . Male military personnel in civilian attire will hold the

headdress at the left shoulder with the right hand over the heart, face the flag, or the music, if the flag is not in view, and stand at attention, or, if no headdress is involved, stand at attention, holding the right hand over the heart. . . . These positions will be maintained until the last note of the music. . . . The same respect will be observed by all military personnel whether the National Anthem is played or ‘To the Color’ is sounded.”

## LOMBARDO '45 COMMEMORATED

First Lieutenant Thomas Angelo Lombardo '45, a former Army football player and coach, was commemorated by a plaque in Seoul, Korea, on 17 November at a ceremony renaming the Seoul Area Command football field in his honor. Chap. Herman Heuer, EUSA officiated.



Plaque Commemorated in Seoul, Korea, for Lt. Thomas Angelo Lombardo.

Lt. Gen. Samuel L. Myers, Deputy Commanding General, Eighth US Army, unveiled the plaque after Col. Cyril D. Sterner, commanding officer, Seoul Area Command, read messages from Gen. Douglas MacArthur and former West Point football coach Col. Earl “Red” Blaik.

Lt. Lombardo served as a platoon leader with the 1st Cavalry Division in Japan, and as assistant football coach at West Point. His next assignment was to Korea in 1950 as commanding officer, Company I, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division. It was with that unit that he was killed 24 September 1950.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

### THE CADET LIBRARY

At a ceremony on 21 December 1962, the Superintendent placed the cornerstone of the new Library on the site of the old, nominally bringing to a close the first year of construction operations which will eventually result in the replacement of the 1841 Library-Astronomy with a modern \$4,000,000 structure.

The first year's operation saw the demolition and removal of the existing structure and the construction of the foundations, steel frame, and concrete decks of the new building.

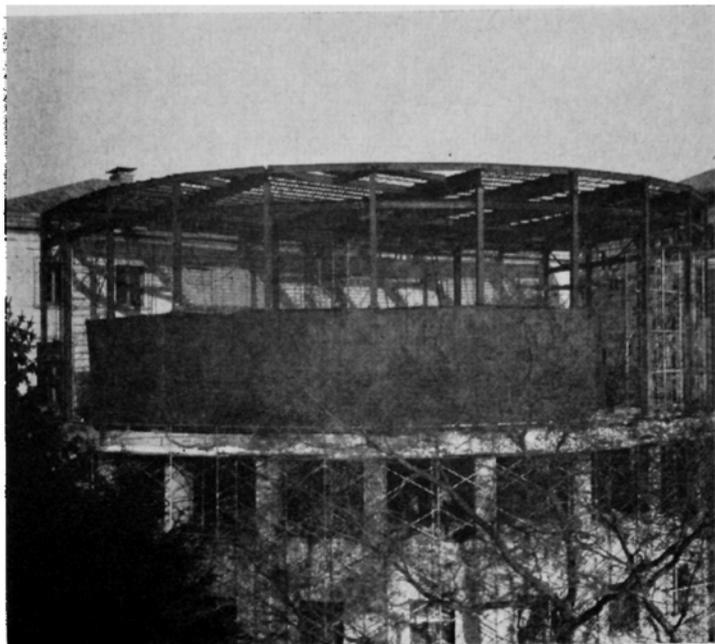
The new building will house in its four stories and 105,000 square feet all of the facilities that could not be accommodated in the older 29,000 square foot library. In addition to large stack areas which will shelve the majority of books, there will be reading rooms devoted to West Point, military arts and sciences, humanities, science and technology, social science and foreign languages. Built into this library is a degree of expansibility which will allow future installation of mezzanines in the stack area, considerably increasing the availability of shelf space.

The new Library is being faced with granite and will closely resemble, in its general architectural style, the adjacent Thayer and Bartlett Halls. Completely air-conditioned, the building will provide space for cadet library study as well as areas for the most modern library equipment such as sound booths, microfilm readers, projection equipment, and facilities for installation of closed circuit TV.

Designed by Gilbert Seltzer of New York, with construction supervision by the New York District, Corps of Engineers, the library is scheduled for completion in January 1964. The contractor is Sovereign Construction Company of Fort Lee, New Jersey.



General Westmoreland places the cornerstone at the Library Dedication ceremony on 21 December 1962.



Progress to date... Looking at the Pierce Addition to the Army Mess from the roof of Thayer Hall. The top will house the ballroom, the lower stories contain the dining room and several conference rooms.

### WEST POINT ARMY MESS

The expansion of the West Point Army Mess, which began in June 1962, has progressed to a point where the addition is taking visible shape. This expansion was made possible by the bequest of \$1,000,000 to the Association of Graduates by the late Mrs. Palmer E. Pierce, wife of Brig. Gen. Pierce '91.

Scheduled for completion in September, the structure basically will provide a new large ballroom located on the east side of the existing structure and overlooking the Hudson River. Underneath the ballroom, with views of the Hudson, will be a large dining room and several small conference rooms.

Also included in the overall project is the rehabilitation of several areas in the existing structure, resulting in the relocation of many facilities, such as the barber shop, kitchen, and dining room. The entire building will be air-conditioned.

To date, the contractor has completed all of the demolition work in the existing structure and has constructed the basic shell of the lower floors in the addition. During the winter months he will begin finishing operations in the new and old sections and will complete the basic framework of the ballroom.

Also designed by Gilbert Seltzer and supervised by the New York Engineer District, the construction is being accomplished by A. A. Salerno of New Rochelle, New York.

### HOTEL THAYER

Included in the Military Construction program for the Military Academy is the \$1,000,000 rehabilitation of the Hotel Thayer utilities.

This project, which began in January, is scheduled to extend over an 18-month period and involves the complete modernization of the hotel's steam, water, and electrical systems. As part of this project the hotel will install, as the work progresses, air-conditioners in each of the rehabilitated rooms.

During the construction period only small areas of the hotel will be out of service at any given time.

## COL. JORDAN—"MEET THE PROFESSOR"

The public met Col. Amos A. Jordan, Jr. '46 Sunday afternoon, 16 Dec, on the ABC-TV series "Meet the Professor."

Col. Jordan (Rhodes Scholar and holder of a PhD from Columbia) was featured on the weekly program which showed his position as a West Point Professor of Social Sciences. The program was coordinated by the Association for Higher Education, National Education Association.

"Meet the Professor" presented a typical US Military Academy schoolday in the life of Col. Jordan, complete with faculty conferences, classroom discussions, "off the cuff" office talks, and a visit to the basketball court.

Assisting Col. Jordan on the televised public service show were Col. George A. Lincoln '29, Head of the Department of Social Sciences, and Maj. George P. Tilson '50, Assistant Professor of Social Sciences.

Also pictured during the half-hour educational program were Dean Acheson (West Point SCUSA speaker on 5 Dec) and Col. Jordan (SCUSA officer and Chairman, Museum Board) touring the West Point Museum where, Col. Jordan said, "Exhibits make history live for the cadets!"



Col. Amos A. Jordan discusses programming of "Meet the Professor" with Robert Delaney, producer of the educational series.

Among many assignments, Col. Jordan has been a staff member of the President's Committee to study the Military Assistance Program, and was staff director on the Advisory Committee to the Secretary of Defense on Non-Military Instruction.

Col. Jordan, who admitted on "Meet the Professor" that he has a "fascination for teaching," was appointed Professor with the Department of Social Sciences in 1955.

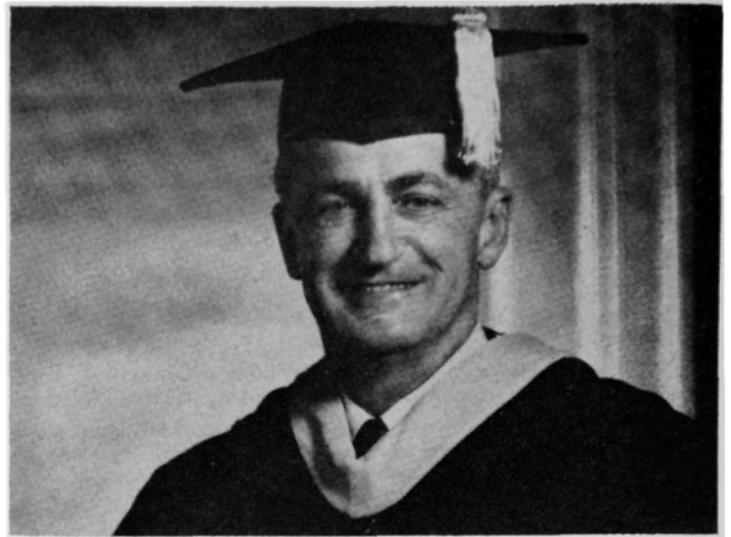
## STORKE '26 WORCESTER PRESIDENT

Lt. Gen. Harry P. Storke '26, USA(Ret), has a new "command" position—that of 10th president of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass.

Gen. Storke's former Army commands include II Corps Artillery duty in the Mediterranean Theater, head of the military government in Vienna after World War II, and Army member of the planning team for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Also, he commanded I Corps (Group) in Korea, and the Armies of Greece and Turkey in the Allied Land Forces of Southeastern Europe.

Gen. Storke was responsible for converting the *Annual Report* (which contained only obituaries) into the *ASSEMBLY*, and, in 1942, was its first editor. He was Secretary of the Association of Graduates from 1940 to 1942.



Lt. Gen. Harry P. Storke

At Worcester Tech, young men are educated for leadership in practical industry and business. President Storke has always been interested in training and education, from earlier times when he taught military science at Iowa State College, and English at West Point.

## NEW BOOKS

*A Study of Communism*—by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc., 1962.

Reviewed by Col. G. A. Lincoln '29, Professor & Head, Department of Social Sciences, USMA.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation bears the responsibility for the defense of the United States against internal espionage and subversion. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover has led that Bureau under six successive presidents. In his *Masters of Deceit*, published in 1958, he has dealt more with operational methods and specific instances. He now writes, for the American people, his second book on communism, directed to highlighting "the contrasts between the freedom we enjoy and communist totalitarianism."

Mr. Hoover's book is clear, well-organized, and couched in laymen's language. It gives an accurate and lucid account of the development of communist ideology, the history of this movement, and the past and present communist program internal to the USA. This reviewer and his colleagues have seen no single book directed to the thinking general public of our country which approaches Mr. Hoover's as an introduction to the study of communism and as a handbook for supporting informed discussion on this topic. The excellent index contributes to the latter use.

The presentation is not directed at the Kremlinologists who are already steeped in scholarly lore concerning communism. It does not deal in any depth with such vital problems as the Middle European countries and Sino-Soviet relations. Some readers will question such items as the lack of any mention of Fascist intervention in the book's discussion of the Spanish Civil War, the indictment of the Soviets for perfidy at Brest-Litovsk (did they have any alternative other than assured disaster?), and the stress on Stalinism as a product of the communist system. Stalinism might also have been materially a product of the man—as Hitlerism probably was. The author's definition of communism on page 19 and again on page 90 is really only a definition of communist aims. His real, and very full definition is in the 50 pages of the book's Part II, entitled *Origins*.

The book's 200 pages are divided into 12 chapters and six parts, the last part being a Digest of Differences in parallel columns subtitled: *Basic Contrasts: Communism versus Freedom*. These provide both thought-provoking fireside reading and readymade notes for a speaker. The single chapter in Part I discusses what the attractions of communism are, and why. Part II on Origins, along with giving the genesis of the doctrine, including an illuminating discussion of differences between communism and socialism, contains a chapter on basic communist concepts written in language shorn of the tiresome circumlocutions of communist semantics.

Part III, *Power Structure*, and Part IV, *World Expansion*, lean heavily on the historical method in describing the expansion of communist power and operations from the time of Marx and the concomitant evolution and shifts of communist doctrine and tactics. The final chapter in Part IV, *Communism versus Nationalism*, is a clear discussion of the communist facility and willingness to use many roads toward the single, all-enduring and ultimate purpose of communist control. The dispute between the Soviet Union and Communist China, he points out, is not "over the strategic goal which is domination of the world, but merely over the tactics to be emphasized to achieve that goal."

Part V, *Challenge to Freedom*, focuses, against the background of the preceding 10 chapters, entirely on communism within the United States—what its organization is and how it operates. The closing chapter of this part, entitled *Meeting the Communist Challenge*, is a superb program of action combined with a statement of faith in America's way. In this, the Director of the FBI continues his long outstanding service to his country in calling for vigilance and not vigilantism, for understanding and unity rather than suspicion and fear. The entire book provides reasonable men with reasoned understandings between the naive extremes of "better red than dead" and, on the other flank, the views of those whose misidentification and reckless charges concerning communism lead to irrational fear and "serve the cause of communism by creating disunity among Americans."

West Point education has long owed Mr. Hoover a debt of gratitude. Annually, for a decade, Mr. Hoover's Chief Inspector and now Assistant Director, William Sullivan, has taught cadets the lesson in the US Government course having to do with subversion, internal security and civil rights. Mr. Hoover's new book will greatly assist us in this area of instruction.

Coincidentally, *A Study of Communism* is published at the same time as the release of a report to the Secretary of Defense concerning "non-military instruction" in our armed forces. This report stresses the importance of knowing about our American political tradition and about the places the soldier serves, as well as about communism in action; it emphasizes that the serviceman should "know what he is for and why," even more than "what he is against, important as that is." While entitled "Communism," Mr. Hoover's book describes and interprets this topic in the perspective of the American values and traditions which he, personally, has done so much to preserve and further. The volume belongs among the professional books which officers should keep with them. Quoting from the Foreword, there is not likely to be a better point of departure to "journey into deeper understanding through additional reading and study."

*Football Immortals*—by Col. Alexander M. Weyand ('16, USA (Ret)). The Macmillan Co., N.Y., 1962; 290 pp.

Reviewed by Col. R. P. (Red) Reeder '26, USA (Ret).

Col. Weyand has written an interesting book on certain heroes of American football.

Col. Weyand is an authority on the game. He was an All-American in the line on the Army football teams of his time, and has maintained a keen interest in football since his graduation.

This book is valuable, not only because of its numerous anecdotes written in vivid style, but each of the 64 biographies reflects a picture of American football at the period when the player was in his heyday. Weyand's "immortals" range from Hinkey, "Pudge" Heffelfinger, "Germany" Schulz, Walter Eckersall, the incomparable Charley Daly, and brilliant players of the middle years when Oliphant sped through holes his teammates carved in Navy's line. Among the stars, the reader pictures Jim Thorpe of Carlisle, George Gipp of Notre Dame, "Bronko" Nagurski of Minnesota, George Pfann of Cornell, and our own Davis and Blanchard. This work will not only entertain, but is an excellent reference book. Although one of Col. Weyand's hobbies is amateur athletics, he includes a chapter on "Great Pros."

The volume is indexed, and lists awards top-flight players have won. The 22 photographs add much. Hinkey of Yale, who had been warned by doctors not to engage in football because of lung trouble (and who made Whitney's All-America team for 4 years) is photographed in an attitude that supports the label, "Hinkey had the combative instincts of a leopard..." One wishes more photographs were included.

The book is well-written and carefully compiled. It is a notable addition to literature on the great game of football.

*Missiles and the Revolution in Warfare*—By Lt. Col. Nels A. Parson, Jr., '44. Harvard University Press, 1962; 232 pp., \$5.75.

A fitting introduction for this book is provided by the foreword of Wernher von Braun. Lt. Col. Parson takes the chronological approach to his subject and assumes that most of his audience has, at best, a layman's knowledge yet significant interest to want to understand how missiles have revolutionized the aspects of warfare.

To assist the reader in his understanding of the subject, the author follows his historical summary of rocketry with elementary explanations of the physical theory relating to missiles, how they "fly," how their components operate, what they are designed to do. The latter half of the book is devoted essentially to the military aspects of missiles, regardless of the Armed Service concerned. In this portion, Col. Parson offers his observations and analyzes the effect of missiles on future tactics and strategy that our military planners should consider.

Towards the end of the book, Col. Parson reviews some of the space applications that missiles have made possible. In particular, he summarizes in lucid terms the operation and use of mapping and meteorological satellites, communication satellites, navigation satellites, etc. A brief resumé of the Mercury program, of Col. Glenn's epochal flight in Feb 62, and a discussion of the Project Apollo are likewise provided for consideration as the stepping stones to a capability in space warfare as exemplified by a space bomber force.

In conclusion, Col. Parson points out that missiles and satellites offer many solutions to the utilization of space for peaceful purposes. Space stations, manned lunar flight, study of the universe are but a few of the results that might be achieved by a unified multinational attempt at the "conquest of space."

This articulate presentation of the revolution in warfare brought about by missiles is easy reading and a good introduction for those members of the military who wish to be brought up-to-date on the potential of missile warfare. The book would provide even greater enlightenment for civilian readers who desire a better grasp of the military aspects of modern missile warfare.

There are several typographical mistakes sprinkled throughout the book.

*Rice and Salt*—by Brig. Gen. John Hugh McGee '31, USA(Ret) The Naylor Company, San Antonio, Tex., 1962.

Gen. McGee was of that heroic handful of American soldiers who, in the early days of World War II, archaically equipped, inadequately supplied, and thousands of miles beyond hope of relief or reinforcement from the ZI, stood fast in the face of overwhelming Japanese power. On 9 May 1942, while actually engaged in gallant and resourceful operations against the invader in Southern Mindanao he received orders to contact the enemy and arrange an armistice. With heavy heart he complied. And thus began 2 years of physical and mental suffering as a prisoner of war, a period brought dramatically to an end by a daringly conceived and executed escape from a prison ship. Subsequently he joined a mixed guerilla force operating north of Zamboanga; and finally he escaped by night, under the very noses of the Japs, on a US submarine. This book tells his story, and the story of his fellow soldiers, American, Filipino, and Allied. It is a story of steadfast courage, spiritual and physical; of most soldierly vigor; of selfless devotion and high purpose.

McGee has divided his book into seven chapters. The first is pleasantly reminiscent of his service at Pettit Barracks, Zamboanga. To those who remember service with the Philippine Scouts before the war, and especially to those who knew Zamboanga, this brief account of his command of the Moro company is of most agreeable nostalgic interest. The author has an eye for detail and a phenomenal memory for the names and personalities of his Mohammedan soldiers. His interest in the field training of his company, in hunting, and getting around the countryside, together with his keen powers of observation, were to prove of crucial importance in events later to unfold: engagements with the Jap; his spectacular solo escape; and his subsequent movements through enemy dominated country.

The second chapter recounts his relief from the Scout Company and his detail, in August 1941, to the Philippine Army as instructor. It was with the Philippine Army (by far the largest increment of the amalgam known as the US Army in the Far East) that McGee was serving when war came to Mindanao. Some early successes were had against the invader; but inadequacies in ammunition, absence of supporting artillery, and a total lack of friendly air support made the case a forlorn one indeed. Desperate courage, tireless energy, most ingenious improvisation and skillful use of the terrain were insufficient to counterbalance the Jap's complete domination of the air; and it is to this last tragic shortcoming on our side that author McGee ascribes the enemy's battlefield successes.

The third and fourth chapters record the author's experiences as a prisoner of war, from 11 May 1942 until, in the darkness, he dove into the racing tidal current off Zamboanga, in June 1944. Any account of the life of a prisoner of war in Japanese hands inevitably invites comparison with the memorable "The Naked Island" of Russell Bradton. Gen. McGee's account may lack the stark power and

literary polish of that book; but its low-keyed matter-of-factness, its stoic restraint, and above all the faithful way it details daily life under the guns of brutal and capricious guards, make it remarkably moving. McGee never ceased to function as an officer, a leader, and a keeper of his brethren, generous by nature and subscribing fully to the idea that the officer must care for his men. His major pre-occupation as a prisoner was how to achieve that delicate balance between obedience to the lawful force of the captor and resistance to his abuses which would best secure the least amount of suffering and the greatest well-being for the prisoners as a group. The manner in which he thought this through and comported himself under atrocious conditions is inspiring and illuminating and perhaps the best part of his book.

The story of his escape from the prison ship is itself a fine piece of taut narrative. In writing of the agonizing hours when, like a hunted animal, he crept through the underbrush and stream beds, lay up in concealment while search parties moved close by, escaping detection by a hairsbreadth, his account achieves great tension.

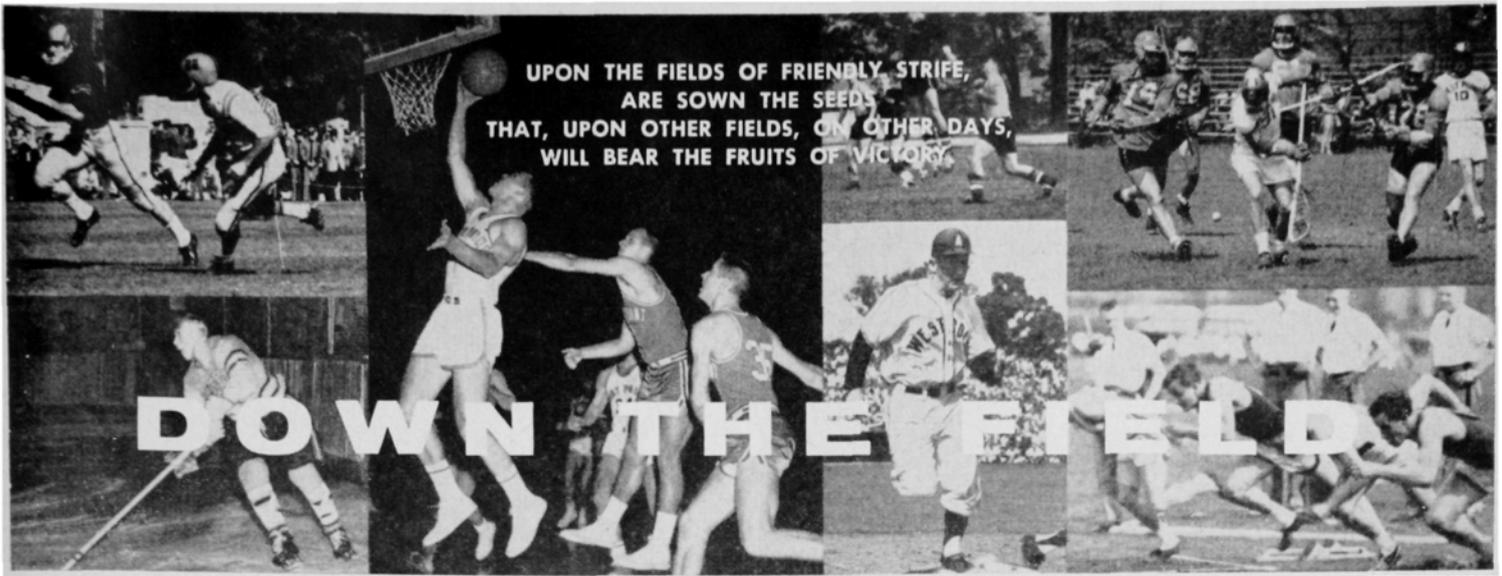
Chapters five and seven, describing his experiences with the guerilla forces, his role in shepherding nearly 100 sick and wounded American survivors of a torpedoed Jap prison ship to a clandestine embarkation aboard the *USS Narwhal*, are equally engrossing.

Few US soldiers have had more intimate contact with an enemy, few more actual experience in a guerilla situation. Even fewer have thought about these matters so long and with such concentration. In this day of intense official interest and wide popular journalizing on unconventional warfare (it is very much in fashion), McGee takes his place as one of the pioneers. What he has to say, based both upon his own experiences in Mindanao, and later in 1950 and 1951 in Korea, deserves most respectful attention. Conceding that much has been done since 1942 to develop guerilla doctrine, he yet views with reservation the progress made: he still finds it regarded "as something special—an adjunct and not an integral part of future warfare . . . [subject to] a false aura of mystery . . . ambiguous terminology; a tendency by some to individuals with guerilla experience to make what is simple, complex". On these matters he has the unimpeachable right of personal experience to speak with emphasis.

Gen. McGee is at his best when writing of what he has seen and done, and of his companions in the heroic events of 1941-1944. There is a falling off in his power when he enters upon discussion of US policy, and of the ills political and spiritual which, in his eyes, weaken our national purpose, impair our vision, and leave us open to the menace of world communism. There can be no question of the depth of his personal conviction; it is just that his normally clear and simple style leaves him. And that there is nothing new or startling in what he has to say is not the point. The point, rather, is that it has been said better by others.

Lest this review, seeming to close upon such a note, leave an equivocal impression, it is important to emphasize once again the real virtues of the book. With unselfconscious narrative simplicity, a remarkable eye for detail and a sharp memory, Gen. McGee has set down a record of soldierly skill and selfless devotion of deeply felt patriotism and a great compassion for his fellow warriors which marks him as a soldier in the finest tradition. The lessons to be drawn from the sufferings and heroism of America's soldiers in those bitter years are unmistakable.

Many fine maps and sketches aid the reader to follow the text.



By JOE CAHILL

It has been the pleasure of this corner to chronicle the events of Army athletics in these pages for more than 20 years. Our views, of course, are on the partisan side. We make much of success and have played down failures.

As you can imagine the job has become perennially more difficult in view of Navy's domination in most of the sports. Thumbing back through the sports pages of ASSEMBLY the past ten years we find that the stories have necessarily noted more Navy achievements than Army. A sorry state of affairs, indeed.

Peruse, if you will, the standings in all sports against the Navy in the last ten years:

Years	Sport	Army	Navy	Tied
1953-1962	Baseball	2	8	
1953-1962	Basketball	3	7	
1953-1962	Cross Country	7	3	
1953-1962	Football, varsity	3	6	1
1957-1962	Football, 150 Pound	3	3	
1953-1962	Golf	5	5	
1953-1962	Gymnastics	8	1	1
1953-1962	Lacrosse	4	6	
1948-1962	*Pistol	7	3	
1953-1962	Rifle	6	4	
1953-1962	Soccer	2	7	1
1953-1962	Squash	4	6	
1953-1962	Swimming	3	7	
1953-1962	Tennis	1	9	
1960-1962	Track (Indoor)	3	0	
1953-1962	Track (Outdoor)	4	6	
1957-1962	Wrestling	4	2	
TOTALS		69	83	3

\*Discontinued as intercollegiate activity from 1949 through 1953.

Navy notably has won 14 more contests than Army in the over-all totals. Of the 17 sports in which the academies have competed in the last decade, Army has been able to build an advantage in only five, and have held the Middles even in two others.

In varsity football, the variance is becoming wider and wider. Navy is currently courting a four game win streak. Yet, the Middles still trail in the series 30 to 28. There have been five ties.

The Middles' recent string of victories is not unusual in the series. Army kept Navy out of the win column for a span of six seasons from 1944 through 1949.

The Cadets also take credit for the longest win streak having gone ten games without defeat from 1922 through 1933. This precipitated a temporary severance in the series for the 1928 and 1929 seasons. Navy, incidentally, has

not led in the series since 1921 when it prevailed 12 games to 11.

Why, some ask, is Navy able to continue its superiority? Difference in total strength of the academies has been submitted as one reason. Another factor, and most likely the more realistic, is the big difference in the number of athletes who enroll annually at the respective schools.

It has been speculated that the Navy takes in anywhere from two to four times the number of qualified athletes as West Point. The exact figures, of course, are as closely guarded as the count down system at Cape Canaveral.

From what we have been witness to on the playing fields of the last decade, Navy has obviously done a remarkable job of screening its talent. There was none better in the Nation than Joe Bellino or now Roger Staubach. Bellino almost single-handedly beat us three times running. Staubach seems a certainty to be every bit as decisive.

#### FOOTBALL CAPTAINCY

A new procedure for the election of a football captain was announced recently by Colonel Emory S. (Hank) Adams, Jr., Director of Athletics.



Roger Staubach was a "star back" for Navy.



The President is escorted by Cadet Asbury and General Westmoreland, during the half of the Army-Navy game.

The idea was proposed by Coach Paul Dietzel and has the approval of the Superintendent and Athletic Board for a one year trial basis only.

In a departure from tradition, the proposal eliminates possibility of a single player serving as team captain for the entire season. Instead, captains will be named by Coach Dietzel on a week-to-week basis.

A week prior to the Navy game an election will then be held and a permanent captain named for the season.

Only first classmen who have won a starting berth on one of the three alternating units are eligible for either a game captaincy, or for the balloting in the final election. The senior manager would assume most of the "off-field" responsibilities of the team captain.

#### '63 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The impact of Ivy League football on Army scheduling was never greater than on the upcoming slate. In an effort to fill the dates that once were occupied by Yale, Harvard, Pennsylvania, Columbia, Dartmouth and occasionally Princeton and Cornell, Army must now go far into the hinterlands for appropriate foes.

Three new faces appear on the schedule next season in Cincinnati, Minnesota and Washington State.

Air Force and Utah return following a hiatus of at least three years.

Retained from the '62 alignment of games are Boston U., Penn State, Wake Forest, Pittsburgh and Navy.

The Air Force game in Chicago is already jam-packed with interest and enthusiasm. The City of Chicago under the able direction of Mayor Daley has outbid all-comers for the game. The midway metropolis has made the game a civic venture and plans are underway to transport the entire student bodies of both academies.

The Air Force team will appear on the schedule on a more regular basis in the future with a game already written in for 1965 in New York, 1967 at Colorado Springs, and 1969 in New York.

#### THE SCHEDULE:

- Sept. 21 – Boston University
- 28 – Cincinnati
- Oct. 5 – Minnesota at Minneapolis
- 12 – Penn State at University Park
- 19 – Wake Forest
- 26 – Washington State
- Nov. 2 – Air Force at Chicago
- 9 – Utah
- 16 – Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh
- 23 – Permanently Open
- 30 – Navy at Philadelphia

#### WINTER SPORTS SCENE

Army's winter athletic teams appear to be fairly strong. The possible exception is basketball, where head coach George Hunter has one of the youngest clubs in the Academy's history.

The basketball team got off to a shaky start winning three of its first five games but then went into the Poinsettia Classic during the holidays against Clemson and Furman and didn't fare well against those strong clubs.

Besides losing Stu Sherard, the all-time Academy scoring record holder and most valuable player in the Shrine East-West all-star game, Hunter lost starting guard Al DeJardin and forward Larry Crane. Then before the season was underway, Joe Kosciusko and Frank Lambert, both of whom figured as starters, were sidelined. Kosciusko tore cartilages in his knee and Lambert was involved in disciplinary action.

Leading the team through the early season were junior forward Charles Hutchison, senior center Bob Foley and sophomores Bob Boehm and Dennis Shantz.

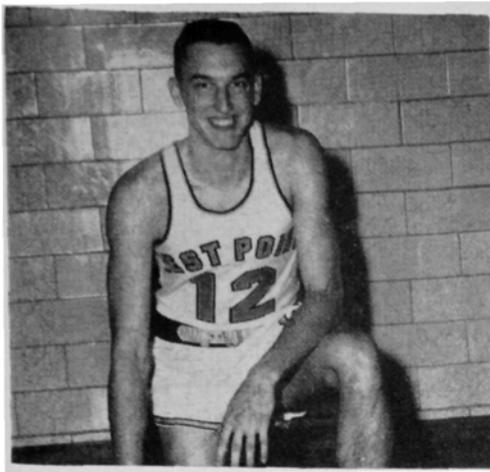
Hutchison was the big point maker and led Army to its most impressive early victory, a 72-68 come-from-behind triumph over Georgetown.

While the varsity basketball team was having its share of troubles, the plebe team under Coach Tate Locke could do nothing wrong.

Led by Mike Silliman, a 6-6, 225-pounder from Louisville, Ky., the plebes rolled to an impressive seven victories without a loss. Silliman was averaging over 20 points a game and was getting good assistance from Bill Helkie. The plebe defense was a stubborn one—only one club scored over 59 points against it.



Ken Waldrop, Army halfback, tries Navy line for size.



Cadet Dennis Shantz



Cadet Dick Peterson

Coach Jack Riley's hockey team picked its way through the early and easy opposition winning four and losing one, and then turned in an impressive performance by holding Harvard to a 2-2 tie.

Last season the Crimson easily defeated Army in an early season battle and later edged the Cadets, 2-1 in the Eastern playoffs. This year it was a different story as Riley's charges outplayed Harvard for two-thirds of the game.

Dick Peterson and Jerry Stonehouse were Army's big guns. Peterson whipped home six goals in the first five games plus three assists for nine points. Stonehouse had two goals and six assists for eight points.

Jack Shepard and Neil Mieras shared the early goal tending duties and both are doing good jobs.

In swimming, the cadets got off to a tough start, losing the opener to defending Eastern champion Harvard, 51-44, as the Crimson captured the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Coach Jack Ryan's swimmers proved to everyone that they will be among the best in the East with this showing. The plebe team of 1961-62 sent up several standouts including Jerry Merges, Paul Bucha, Tony Clay and Ray Schaltenbrand. This quartet combined with juniors Bill Landgraf, Larry Herdegan and Bob Magruder to give the swimmers good balance. Ryan's only problems appear to be in the butterfly and in diving, although the latter is improving.

The varsity wrestling team opened its season with a fine performance in the Coast Guard Invitational Tournament and gave an indication that a good season should be in the offing.

Three Cadets, defending national champion Mike Natvig, Ray Nickla, and Ed Winborn, captured individual ti-

tles as the team finished second behind Syracuse by only three points and placed ahead of Eastern power Lehigh.

Coach Leroy Alitz will have good balance and the three Coast Guard winners should continue to have good individual performances.

Coach Carl Crowell's indoor track team once again looks like a strong Eastern entry. Joe Almaguer, defending Heps sprint champ is back along with Billy Straub, one of the East's best two-milers. Straub should also have a good season in the mile run.

Dick Playmale, the top collegiate pole vaulter, injured his ankle prior to the season, and figures to be out until March. However, Crowell has three other fine vaulters and won't be hurting there. The high jump will be another strong point along with the 35-lb. weight.

Two sophomores, Ken Slutzky and Tad Ono, got Tom Maloney's gymnastics team off to a winning start. Slutzky is a standout on high bar, parallel bars and still rings, while Ono has performed well in floor exercise, and on the side horse and parallel bars.

The squash team is improved over last year as the brother duo of Richie and Walt Oehrlein has come along with John Leyerzaph. These three, along with several pressing yearlings, gave Army a 2-1 record prior the holiday break.

Sgt. Maj. Joe Benner's pistol team, with two all-Americans, Miles Eberts and Geof Moakley leading the way, will be firing for a second straight national championship. The team easily downed Kings Point in its only pre-holiday match.

The rifle team lost a close one to highly regarded West Virginia, 1434 to 1433 but bounced back with a quadrangular victory over Maryland, Yale and Niagara. Sgt. Maj. Oscar Gallman feels his yearling firers will give the team the depth it needs to be a big winner.

## FALL SPORTS RESULTS

### FOOTBALL

	Army	Opp
Wake Forest	40	14
Syracuse	9	2
Michigan	7	17
Penn State	9	6
VPI	20	12
George Washington	14	0
Boston University	26	0
Oklahoma State	7	12
Pittsburgh	6	7
Navy	14	34

Won 6, Lost 4

### 150-LB FOOTBALL

	Army	Opp
Cornell	7	0
Pennsylvania	20	0
Princeton	35	6
Rutgers	21	6
Columbia	35	0
Navy	15	12

Won 6—Eastern Champions

### SOCCER

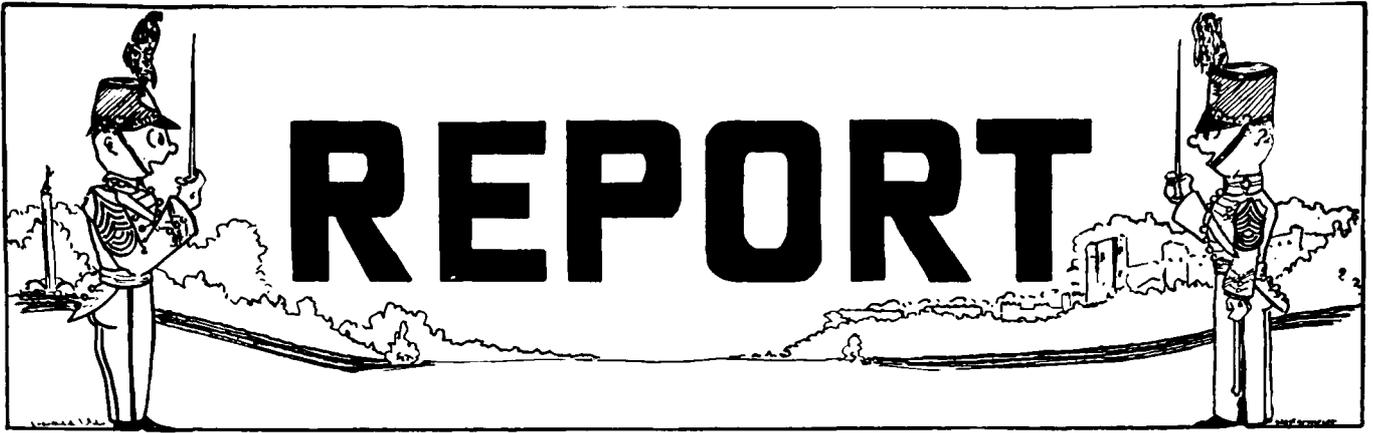
	Army	Opp
Seton Hall	3	1
Fairleigh Dickinson	1	2
U. S. Coast Guard	7	0
Brockport		
State Teachers	4	1
Drexel Institute	2	2
Rider	4	1
Yale	2	1
Massachusetts	4	2
Penn State	3	1
West Chester		
State Teachers	0	3
Navy	0	1

Won 7, Lost 3, Tied 1

### CROSS COUNTRY

	Army	Opp
LeMoyne		73
Fairleigh Dickinson	20	46
Providence	19	41
Air Force	24	34
Manhattan		31
St. John's	45	46
Syracuse	30	28
Massachusetts		29
NYU	26	85
Cornell	23	38
Heptagonal		4th Place
IC4A		14th Place
Navy	38	23

Won 5, Lost 3



'96

Brig. Gen. R. J. Burt  
306 Woodland Terrace  
Alexandria, Va.

Atop the thrust of a brainstorm, Burt signed up with the luxurious SS *France* for the Continent. The ship, a fabulous French city afloat, bearing every conceivable modern plush gadget and then some, together with unceasing friendliness, made the passage to Le Havre a delight.

Then the boat train to meet the welcoming friends in Paris, and rush to the hotel to begin the assault on the tourist route of historical sites. But first, to run down the rumor that there was an American Protestant church somewhere in Paris. Found it—quite obscure and humble—the first such church in France, 'twas said. In its printed historian's pamphlet a bit was made of the fact that a tavern, but a few blocks from its site, was the foregathering place of John Paul Jones, Benjamin Franklin, and occasionally Henry IV, wrangling for the *Bon Homme Richard* for the American Navy.

Farther on is the American Cathedral built and supported by contributions from all over the free world. Not to be compared of course with Notre Dame or La Madeleine; still, quite worthy of one's pride, in such a very foreign land.

Within the mentioned Notre Dame and La Madeleine, stood really humble and awe-struck at their massive architectural construction and statuary. Those, and several other magnificent churches, were not the keynote of the tourist route, but the Palais de Versailles, with its human interest story: viz, the astonishing flow of tourists through its magnificent, and well preserved reception rooms, where colorings of its mural-panelled walls and famous ceiling paintings seemed to retain their original brightness. The interest lay in the flow, observed for about ¾ of an hour, of probably a thousand tourists, men and women in groups of 50 or 60, each group with its guide who, stopping at some point of interest, made his informative speech then rushed his group on to the next arranged stopping point with speed that left oldsters trotting to keep up.

What a gold mine for the French government if it but raised the admission fee a trifle, now only a few cents, American money! period.

On a bright morning, burst through the tourist cordon in a fine daylight train for the south to see France, real France, beautiful France, with her great evergreen forests covering hillside and mountain. Rolling meadows more carefully kept after the harvest than one's front lawn. One-family stucco homes,

red-roofed—woodwork and shutters painted in vivid colors, no two alike—scattered hither and yon to the far horizon.

(Local color: an old woman sitting in the sunshine, knitting, atop of a long green slope; a bit of a shaver—probably her grandson—with his dog, rounding up her cows for the evening milking.)

In the late afternoon—Chamonix! Chamonix! A terrifically beautiful spot, the heart of that area of the Alps. Above, mountain tops and sheer peaks, covered with snow. Below, myriads of colorful flower beds everywhere—in small public parks, in private gardens, terraced around good hotels; winding streets, happy-faced people beginning to think of preparations for the Winter sports season.

### 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.

Ah, well! Back to Paris to complete unfinished visits to Mona Lisa in the Louvre; to that overpowering mass of stone, great columns supporting great arches, and a nave so far in the distance as one enters that solemnity impels one to talk in awed whispers; namely, the Pantheon, built to memorialize Charlemagne! Following, there remained the gem of them all, the Trianon. Not as historically sought since its outward appearance is rather modern; but within, its authenticated great royal salons and hallways with their hardwood parqueted floors, give strength to the feeling that in her early queenly days, Marie Antoinette must have delighted in strolling there, and through the extravagant gardens, followed by her entourage. 'Tis now the VIP hotel of Paris. With gay luncheons here on the premier etage of the Eiffel Tower, where, incidentally, one has the widest view of Paris,

and where cookery is unsurpassed anywhere. Said adieu to friends; and next morning sustained, like a youngster, the rush with 1,600 other passengers, in the usual American style, for the three boat-trains for Le Havre, where all then quietly boarded the longest ship in the world, La Belle *France*. On the dot, she shoved off and gaily put out into the west, bearing her atmosphere of sheer delight. But avast! belay! Later, she cut off a slice of weather from the Banks that started her fog-horn and partially spoiled the Captain's Dinner. Nevertheless, she made it to the Narrows, and from thence sailed serenely up the Hudson to Port New York. *Finis!*

"Operation Successful."

'02

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

My card caught Allen at home in Cleveland after a happy autumn spent in Oregon and Washington with his sister and her children. He writes, "No sickness, no unpleasant happenings of any kind to anyone. May every one of the Class be able to say the same."

Amerine sends his best regards to the members of 1902. He celebrated his 84th birthday in June and is feeling his age.

The Bells attended the A-GW football game in the new Washington, D.C., Stadium. Mrs. Bell has continued to rove but in limited orbit. Her recent trips have been confined to eastern United States. Frank was in Washington, Pa., on 1 Nov to make a speech at the W.&J. Homecoming, where a plaque was unveiled for a classmate killed in the Philippines in 1899.

Dinsmore, who has been hospitalized for the past 2 years in the Leonard Sanitarium, 1240 Stewart Drive, Orange, Calif., says that it is hard for him to write, as his eyesight is failing. He sends Christmas greetings.

Frankenberger is holding his own. He had a recent surprise visit from his daughter and son-in-law from Texas. A few months ago, Carlos Telford came to see him. Telford's niece and her husband were visiting him and brought Carlos to the Frankenberger home.

The news of the various classes as presented in the REPORT section of ASSEMBLY is, for each class, the contribution of a member or members thereof. ASSEMBLY is glad to devote as much space to this news as practicable, but ASSEMBLY assumes no responsibility for its accuracy. Any reader who questions any detail of the news as presented by the contributor should communicate with the author of the news—not with the editor of the magazine.

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Telford looked fine and was apparently in good health.

The Griffiths spent a few days in Washington in October. Saw Frank Bell and Mrs. Cowles, and had lunch with Mrs. Rehkopf and her daughter Isabelle.

The Longleys are back in Miami, arriving just in time to greet the storm that lashed the Atlantic Coast in November. Frank made a brief visit to the hospital recently but has recovered nicely and needs only some Florida sunshine to bring him back to par.

'03

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

Growler Lyon lives a contented home life, in a college town, surrounded by a daughter-in-law and two high school grandsons. He sounds as if he has a few reservations about the Emerald State on account of a typhoon which ripped through there not long ago.

Turtle reports that King Boyer's widow died in October. Turtle and Maida are busy as usual in San Antonio.

Schley states that they are planning to spend December and January in Florida. He seems to go along "in the even tenor of his ways."

Dice always returns a card explaining he has no news, and things are as usual with him.

Benny Ristine was in Bangor, Maine, in July and August near an Air Force nephew and his family. Benny sounds as if he has become something of a philosopher.

Marion Howze was at West Point for Homecoming. He states that our class was the earliest class represented there.

Jake Wuest writes that he has nothing exciting to report. But listen to what follows: They flew to Europe as planned, took the baths at Bad Ems, spent some time in Switzerland, then went by air to California and Arizona and then flew home to Orlando. He says that he hopes to live to make these trips by rocket.

Polly Pope writes that her father is in the hospital at Mt. Kisko, N.Y.

John Franklin writes that he is about normal after a short bout in the hospital. Grant writes that he commutes between Clinton, N.Y., and Washington, D.C., spending about half of each month in each place.

Colley seems to be an ardent sports fan, following all the football games. Dick Moore writes, "No news." But it is something to get even that reply—better than a few of our other braves do.

Puss Farnum writes from Portland, Maine. He is particularly interested in getting some action about our 60th reunion next June. It would be helpful if classmates intending to attend (*Deus volante*) would notify Grant or Rodney of their present intention.

Rodney had to pass up the Army-Navy football game this year as other plans interfered. He says that he has not seen a classmate there for several years now, and few people he has known. That is the result of *Anno Domino*, I surmise.

Max Tyler's wife Frances died at Walter Reed Hospital on 2 Dec and was buried in Arlington on 5 Dec.

One more classmate has passed on. Eph Graham died at San Antonio on 23 Dec '62. Everyone will remember his prowess as a pitcher at West Point and later as a polo player and horseman on the Olympic Team.

WINTER 1963

'04

Maj. Gen. William Bryden  
3555 Springland Lane NW  
Washington 8, D.C.

Another classmate has left us. Copp died on 30 Sep 62, at Columbus, Ohio, where he had made his home after leaving Westport, Conn., in 1960. Mrs. Copp's address is 2850 Northwest Blvd., Columbus 21, Ohio.

Hooper writes from North Andover, Mass., that he gets most of his exercise from running the lawnmower and that both he and Mrs. Hooper are in good shape and still active. He has not seen Wheeler since last spring, at which time the latter seemed to be in excellent condition.

'05

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

It is with great regret that I now report the passing of our vice president and the widows of two other classmates, all of whom were buried at the Arlington Cemetery.

Douglas I. McKay died at San Jose, Calif., 24 Sept 62. He had not been in good health for several years but the immediate cause of his death was a second stroke on 23 Sep. He lived only about 10 minutes after being taken to the hospital. Many, perhaps, will share the opinion of the doctor who told Pauline that she should thank God because her husband went fast and knew nothing about it. For the time being, at least, her address will remain: 1556 Camino Monde, San Jose 25, Calif.

Mrs. Louis H. McKinlay (Clare Sellman) died at Washington 14 Oct 62, only a short time after she had become a resident at the Army Distaff Hall. Her nearest relative seems to be a cousin who lives in Baltimore.

Mrs. Rolland W. Case (Mary G.) died 6 Nov 62, while at the wheel of her car and not far from her residence in Washington. In connection with the settlement of her estate an oil painting of her husband will be sent to Watertown Arsenal where Casey was in command for several years. It will be displayed in the Arsenal Activities Center.

Burns Magruder, whose long-continued interest in class statistics is well known, has been trying to get the facts concerning Herndon Sharp who resigned in 1914. Letters to the mayor, postmaster, and police department of Biloxi, Miss., have elicited the information that Herndon has been deceased for several years, but just when and where he died has not been determined. If any reader of this report has additional information it would be very welcome by all concerned with keeping accurate and up-to-date record of West Point graduates.

Norman Ramsey is still a patient in the Veterans Hospital at East Orange, N.J. Minna has quarters nearby at 390 Tremont Ave. and spends most of her time with Norman. His condition has not changed materially for the better, although some improvement can be seen. Among those asking about Norman's condition is Jamie Shouse who is still at Huntington, W. Va.

'06

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

It is over 60 years since that warm June day of 1902, when this Class assembled under the elm trees in its first military uniform of the nation. There are 18 left of those who

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.

went all the way, and four members who did not. Your Christmas, I hope was a merry one and the New Year started gaily enough.

Long ago, DeRussy Hoyle advised of the passing of our beloved vice president, secretary and treasurer, James Wilson Riley, after his long period of confinement to his house and room, but ever with his smile to his friends and his good stock of stories. What a strength he was for this Class, always ahead of the rest of us in his thoughts and deeds, serving his Alma Mater well in its Association of Graduates and its Foundation, attending nearly all the home athletic events and ever at the Army-Navy Game. He was buried in the hallowed ground of Arlington, alongside his many honored classmates, with the snow falling softly as they lowered him into his grave. How we miss him! His obituary biography appears in this number of the ASSEMBLY.

To the offices that he vacated, I have appointed R.E.D. Hoyle, who has worked beside Jim Riley in all class affairs for many years. His address is 80 Hepburn Rd., Hamden, Conn.

Jeannette Andrews, Frank's wife, known to many of us as Johnny, died at Walter Reed Hospital last October, after a short illness. She had remained at Miami Beach each winter since Frank met his untimely death in that terrible Iceland airplane accident, before WW II. She had driven her car as usual to the Adirondack camp which they had owned a long time. Their three children survive.

Ernest Layfield was out again with his gun and his pretty dogs after the Carolina and Georgia quail and pheasants. Each year he entertains his board of directors with the plentiful results of his hunting prowess.

On the village green at Chester, Conn., on Saturday, 10 Oct, one gorgeous autumn day, Charles McKew Parr was honored by his hometown and many outstanding officials with a Charles McKew Parr Day. He was congratulated by letter from the Superintendent of West Point; by the Governor of Connecticut; by the Portuguese Ambassador to the USA who was present; by the commander of the *Triton*, who took his submarine around the world, following the path of Magellan, as it was outlined in Parr's excellent book, "So Noble a Captain"; by Gen. and Mrs. R.E.D. Hoyle for the Class of 1906, USMA; by Admiral and Mrs. Shaw of the US Navy; by Mrs. J.W. Riley and by many other notables, as scholar, industrialist, public servant, and world citizen. Previously, the Class of 1906 gave him an illuminated scroll for his splendid work for the Class, for the Academy, and for his Wainwright Day, which he established in 1943 in the darkest hours of WWII, when our classmate was a prisoner of the Japanese in Manchuria, at which time the Connecticut legislature, the governor, president of the Philippine Republic, and many classmates and notables were present and many ceremonies were conducted with pomp and circumstance worthy of the great delaying action of Gen. Wainwright at Corrigidor and Bataan.

Earl McFarland saw Tubby Loughry in October last, finding him in good spirits and unchanged health. Earl was an honorary pall-

bearer at the funeral services at Arlington cemetery for Col. J.W. Riley, Marion Howze '03, John Danford '04, Hoyle '06, and Parr '06, and Crittenberger '13, were also honorary pallbearers. For Christmas the McFarland children were scattered; one at NATO, one in Hawaii, and one in Washington, D.C.

Frederika Williford, in Blacksburg, had for Christmas visits her sister; Russell Reeder's daughter and her husband; and her own daughter and husband, as well as young Forrest, home from school, for the Christmas holidays.

Elizabeth and I went to Miami to check on the old homeplace and found it going strong, speaking more and more Spanish to its increasing Cuban population, and worrying about the weather and the Russians across the Gulf Stream.

Hally Fox died at Biloxi about 5 years ago—1957—leaving his wife Katie and three children; now there are nine grandchildren. Hally was a professor at "Ole Miss" at Oxford, which has had so much recent publicity. Katie lives in Jackson.

'07

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

Jim Gallogly passed away in Miami, Fla. on 30 Oct and was buried in Arlington. Unfortunately, no one in the Class was notified regarding plans for interment, nor did any notice appear in the obituary columns of the Washington papers, so that no member of the Class attended the service. A contribution in Jim's memory was made to the Endowment Fund of the Association of Graduates in the name of the Class.

Injun Hayden recently had a rather bizarre experience and we quote from his letter: "The other day I came near passing in my checks. The CO of the Air Force Base near here asked me to look over the Base and then wanted me to go up with him in a jet fighter. He said he was going to 40,000 feet in 2 minutes and I begged off as I had had no physical for such a hop. So he went up alone and was never heard of again—blew up apparently over the Atlantic. It's a great life isn't it?"

Ben Castle wrote that at the Army-George Washington football game played in Washington, D.C., the West Point Society of the District of Columbia arranged a buffet luncheon in the manager's room at the stadium. Ben had invited Paul Larned and McNeil but Paul was unable to go. John Sullivan, Enrique White and Jesse Drain were among those present and at the game. Seats on the 50-yard line made Ben realize the high priority which the Class of 1907 now enjoys. He reported that Paul Larned had just had a physical check-up and was greatly relieved to get a good report. We are all delighted to hear it. Ben also said he was most thankful for his own good health and ability to carry on his various business activities. He is Treasurer of American Growth, Inc., and is the Washington representative of International Engineering and Foremost Dairies. Best of all he is able to play golf four times a week.

The Boones finally moved into their new apartment in Hanover Hall, a large new apartment building in the heart of Stamford. They are on the 14th floor on a corner which gives them a wide view of Stamford and Long Island Sound. Their address is 1435 Bedford St., Apt. 14-E, Stamford, Conn. They took the apartment to eliminate many household cares and to reduce somewhat the in-

numerable possessions which had accumulated over the past 50 years. Dan'l wrote that they had received a letter from Nan Crafton stating that Bunny had had another stroke and had to be put in a nursing home in Phoenix. His condition does not appear to be good and he will probably have to remain in the nursing home for an indefinite period. Nan's address is 10541 Snead Drive, Sun City, Ariz., and Bunny's is Georgian Court Nursing Home, 5301 East Thomas Road, Phoenix, Ariz.

Clyde Eastman reported that his family seems to be holding their own good health and have much to be thankful for. Marjorie visited friends in and around her old haunts in New York, and Margaret had 6 weeks in Minneapolis and avoided most of the Florida summer heat. Clyde stayed home to remain on guard and keep abreast of business. Having an air conditioner in his room gave him relief from the heat which was above average. Cold beer in the refrigerator helped also.

Enrique White wrote to Paul Larned from Colorado Springs that he was enjoying renewing acquaintances with old friends and seeing members of his family again.

Capt. Edgar F. Puryear, Jr., USAF, on duty at the Air Force Academy, is engaged in research on military leadership for a series of lectures designed to give the Air Force cadets insight into the philosophy of leadership practiced by some of the outstanding leaders of World War II and, quite naturally, he concentrated on Hap Arnold. Enrique, having served with Hap during the early formative days of the Air Force when it was designated as the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps, recounted much that would be of interest to members of the Class. Headquarters were in Washington, but Hap spent much of his time in the field, at air fields and manufacturing plants, and would return to Hq from time to time to give orders, especially to the Supply Section, in a brusque, no-nonsense, and even violent manner in order to get things done. Many times there was no authority for what he ordered and he would not use up time to seek it. Regulations meant nothing, nor law at times. He got away with it because the War Department was in a terrible mess and he knew it. The times called for boldness and risks, and, as at West Point, he did not stand quietly under disciplinary restraint, formal channels or methods. He was a maverick, but he got things done.

Paul Larned reported a class luncheon at the A-N Club with nine members of the Class in attendance to honor the sons of George Patten and John Jenkins, two fine young men, a credit to their fathers and the Class. The Washington group has voted to resume regular monthly luncheon meetings.

Andy Lang had to be moved from Walter Reed to the Veterans Hospital on Wisconsin Avenue. It was a great shock to him and as a result he is in rather bad shape. Paul also reported that Bob Glassburn is two times a great-grandfather. Pretty soon he will be in our class.

The Wagner family went down to St. Petersburg, Fla. to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter and to attend the wedding of their eldest Florida granddaughter.

Michael Collins, our youngest class son graduate, has been selected as one of the 10 new flyers to be trained as space pilots. We will watch his progress with renewed interest, and congratulate him on his selection.

Paul sent us a letter from Sandy Chilton commenting on many things from the highest to the lowest, from giraffes to angleworms,

all of which was most interesting and entertaining. The letter was dated 6 Oct, 45 years after he and Omira had walked down the aisle of the Cadet Chapel together in 1917. To them both we extend our belated congratulations. It is unfortunate that Sandy's letters cannot be reproduced in their entirety. We have always believed that if his letters were published in book form it would make a best seller.

Just before the deadline for ASSEMBLY, we received word that Sandy and Omira had been in an automobile accident, from which Sandy escaped with bruises and a cracked rib, and Omira with a cut on her leg which developed into a blood clot, necessitating an operation for its removal. The doctor warns that her recovery will be painfully slow, which will be particularly difficult for one as active as Omira. We extend our sympathy and hope that recovery will be more rapid than at first anticipated.

'08

Col. Charles L. Hall  
2129 Florida Avenue, NW  
Washington 8, D.C.

John Brown writes that, "Our social activities are varied and many dinner-dances, parties, etc."

John Schulz, as Secretary and Treasurer, is keeping us straight administratively and financially.

Goethals, as we understand, changed his residence in Cambridge to the Continental Hotel.

"Spec" Edgerton is reliable as ever helping all as occasions demand.

T. J. Johnson wrote all a New Year's letter. I trust that you received yours. Jimmy Cunningham is in the Gloucester Hospital, but Ann reports that he is recovering nicely.

Avery motored back to Wash. from Calif. having closed out his real estate there.

'09

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

Julia, wife of Arnold Krogstad, died at Tullahoma, Tenn., on 8 Nov, after an illness of several months. "Krog" now lives with his bachelor son, Stanley, an engineer with Arnold Engineering Development Co. Address: 8 Lakewood Drive, R2, Tullahoma.

"Flossie" Coles died 15 Nov in Indianapolis, where she had lived since Roy's death in 1938. She led an active life until a few months before her death. The burial in Arlington Cemetery was attended by classmates and other friends. Nearest relative is a sister, Mrs. Charles (Helen) Mayer, 4020 Washington Blvd., Indianapolis, who wishes to thank Roy's classmates for the flowers sent to the service.

A postcard from Ruth R. Beardslee includes the following—"I am fortunate in that my child and grandchildren all live within hailing distance and keep in constant touch with me."

The 2 Dec Sunday Magazine of *The Washington Star* carried a special article, under title of "The Youngest Teacher," featuring Miss Julie Lane, daughter of Tom Lane, Maj. Gen.(Ret), and granddaughter of "Red" and Kathleen Gee. Julie is now handling the second grade at Chesterbrook School, McLean, Va.

Lin Herkness contributes the following comments on the late lamented Navy game: "a decrepit old alumnus who can best watch

the game on TV would like to see a game arranged between the West Point cadets and the Annapolis midshipmen; said alumnus takes but little interest in Paul Dietzel's Chinese Bandits and still less in Wayne Hardin's what-have-you's!"

Nineteen-niners known to have attended said game included Devers, Thummel, and both Van Deusens, plus wives.

Henry, son of the distinguished Ying Wen, called recently with his charming wife Sally on the New Jersey Van Deusens. Henry, now a PhD, is an engineer with the Curtiss-Wright Co., Wood-Ridge, N.J. They live at 424 Henry Street, Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

Yes, I'm working on a new class directory. Blame "errors and omissions" on folks who won't write.

'10

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

It is a distinct pleasure to report the recent assignment of Maj. Gen. Jim Polk, our class godson, to the West Berlin Command, a most responsible job. His younger brother, Col. Jack Polk, is in Vietnam and the youngest brother, Com. Tom Polk, was in Cuban waters during the recent crisis.

Marion Beach, Warb's widow, who lives at 1778 N. Troy St., Arlington, Va., had the misfortune recently of breaking her hip and is now recovering at DeWitt Army Hospital, Ft. Belvoir, Va.

Pappy Selleck underwent an operation at Walter Reed a week or two ago. Fortunately it was not serious and he was able to attend our December class luncheon.

Sam Edelman and Bob Dunlop represented the Class at the Army-Navy game. For the 18th year, Sam had charge of the cadet entertainment, this year at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel in Philadelphia. It was a cadet hop and was a very successful affair. About 1,750 attended.

George and Della Chase sent us a most cordial invitation to help them celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on 16 Nov at their home at 1256 North Sedeeva Circle, Clearwater, Fla. The Class sends its most hearty congratulations and best wishes for many more happy anniversaries.

A Christmas card has just come in from Fritz and Marjorie Strong, accompanied by a nice letter from Fritz. He tells of their recent celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Bev and Helen Dunn came on to join them. Duck Reinhardt and Bob Dunlop were there on the original day. Wish we could have been present this time. After this, they motored up to Rochester, Minn., for a check-up which was routine and then headed south to Dallas, Tex., to visit a granddaughter.

Hope that classmates will write their personal news to me. It is hard to write the notes when news is scarce.

'11

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

As forecast in the last column, here is presented the top family of 1911, numerically, as known to date. Artie Conard, summering on his High Island on Burntside Lake near Ely, Minn., gave the following data on his tribe.

His wife, Elizabeth McGuffey, who died in 1958, was of the "McGuffey Reader" man's line. Their children are: (1) Janice Eliza-

beth, married to Robert Underwood, with one child, Robert Jr.; (2) Kathleen McGuffey, whose first husband, Maj. Douglas Kilpatrick, AC, died in an air crash in 1942, now married to Col. Rex I. Heinlein, Jr., USA(Ret), with three children, Patricia and Caren Kilpatrick and Carolyn (adopted); (3) Arthur Bayard Jr., his wife Elree Hillin, and two children, Arthur Bayard III and Pamela Hillin; (4) David Baldwin, Lt Col CE, married to Nancy, daughter of B/G Francis Englehart, USA(Ret), with four children, David Jr., Candace N., Elizabeth E., and Joseph Andres II; (5) Joseph Andres, Lt AUS, (twin), killed in action in 1945; (6) Josephine Alice (twin), married to Ralph Lescohier with four children, Janice Ann, Kathleen, Joan, and Lee Anne. Of these four, Janice is married to Marvin Renaud, and Kathleen to Arthur Vaughn, with one child, Elizabeth Anne, Artie's first great grandchild, born in Apr 62. Grand total, living and gone: 31.

The following gathered 19 Sep at the A-N Club in Washington: Bradford, Blunt, Morris, Wheeler, and Shekerjian (he and Helen recently returned from Europe and a globe circling tour). On the following day, at the Weavers' in Menlo Park, the SF group met, with Mildred (Mike) Franke, just back from a visit with Gus Jr. in Alaska, the honor guest. On the 22d, Mike and Betty Grable, an old friend of the Frankes, were at the Nichols' home on the Belvedere lagoon. In Oct, the Bay Area set was with the Lockwoods, and on 15 Nov, with Conard present, there was luncheon entertainment by the Heinleins in Palo Alto.

Word came in early Dec of Joe Mehaffey who had returned from Valley Forge quite recovered from TB, and who was then getting treatment at Walter Reed. He had been gaining weight and was in top spirits. Speck Wheeler also reports that he and Virginia are leaving on 17 Dec, via Turkey, to visit their daughter and family, then to West Pakistan, then to Laos for a Mekong River development meeting, and home via Manila and Honolulu.

On 11 Sep, at Gawler's chapel in Washington, the Bradfords, Blunts, Morrises, Wheelers, John Churchill, Howell Estes, and Jim Mooney paid final respects to our Porty Nance. When Porty was taken from us, it was found that with great forethought he had prepared his own life sketch which became the basis of press notices and of the memorial article to be printed in ASSEMBLY. May we remaining graduates of 1911 be as thoughtful!

By late Oct, Jimmie Crawford had made rapid recovery after his second cataract operation in Sep. He expected a prescription for glasses by 1 Dec. Ethel Kemble writes that Col. Franklin Kemble, Jr., and his family are temporarily at 201 Mills Avenue, Greenville, S.C., while their retired home is being completed.

The deep sympathy of us all goes to Joe McNeal and his Mary. Since a fall last March, she had been an invalid and after several months of hospitalization is now in a nursing home. There she receives loving care and there Joe spends the greater part of each day with her. To be near her, he cleared their home and now lives in an apartment at 118½ East High Street, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

In the Apr 62 ASSEMBLY, mention was made of Ladonia Richards' son-in-law, Richard Glenn Gettell, President of Mount Holyoke College. Gertrude Booton sends a news item on that college, which dates from 1837, telling of its dynamic 11th president and his 1,600 "daughters." She also reports on an ac-

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.

tive group of "West Point Wives" who have luncheon meetings monthly from Sep through June, with an average attendance of 35, from the Boston area, Ft. Devens, and Hanscom Field.

In Oct, Ross Batson's Getty was visiting her mother and sister in Birmingham. Perhaps it is not generally known that they have two of 1911's most outstanding sons. The older, Douglas Norman, born in 1918, has a BA from Johns Hopkins and had 2 years at the Sch. of For. Serv., Georgetown U. Drafted in 1941, he rose to the rank of major, with service in Africa, Europe, and Asia, and earned the Cert. of Merit and Bronze Star medals. With the Dept. of State since 1950, a graduate of the NWC in '57, and with 4 years at the Embassy at Bangkok, he is now Counselor and Dep Chief of Mission at the Embassy in Monrovia. Oddly enough, he is still a bachelor. Richard Traber, 3 years younger, was graduated in 1939 from Baltimore Poly. Inst., with the then highest record there of all time. A USMA graduate of Jan '43, he was second in his class, winning stars all 4 years, and standing 1 in all math courses and in ordnance, military art and engineering. Overseas, commanding the Engr Co, 76th Div, he was awarded the Bronze Star. After duty with the Manhattan Project, a Master's Degree in Civ Engr at Cal Tech, 2 years in Alaska, and the advance course at Belvoir, he was Instr and Assoc Prof of Mechanics at West Point. Then, after the C&CSS and duty in Korea, he was sent to Burma to advise on the reorganization of the Mil. Acad. Following duty at the Pentagon, where he was awarded the Commendation Medal, and the course at the AWC during which he completed a Master's Degree in International Relations at Georgetown U., he was sent to Europe as Engineer, 4th Logistical Command, at Verdun. He is married and has one son.

Mary Byrne Simpson writes of her son, Col. Charles Lee Simpson, on duty at Aberdeen Proving Ground, who reports that the ordnance and the proving ground are still there and still needed. With her daughter May and son-in-law Wyatt Flock, Jr., she was on 11 Dec to be at the Proving Ground for the dedication of Building 3071 to the memory of our classmate, Brig. Gen. Bethel Wood Simpson, who spent over 30 eventful years of his Army service in the Ordnance Dept.

New class lists were mailed out in Dec to graduates, to ex-cadets, and to widows of the Class. As changes are constant, it is hoped that I will be informed of corrections to be made.

'13

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Most of us having recently read (as of the date of brewing this report) the fall issue of ASSEMBLY, and all of us, I hope, having sent in our Christmas Letters for Doug Greene's Annual, this report will be brief.

Eugene Tritle Spencer died on 30 Jun 62 at a VA hospital in or near Los Angeles, Calif. He was buried in the Ft. Rosecrans National Military Cemetery. Surviving are

his widow, Mary Mercer Ord Spencer of 151 N. Arden Blvd., Los Angeles 4, Calif., two sons, two daughters, and six grandchildren.

Don R. Davis ex-'13 died suddenly on 12 Oct 62 while he and Frances were on a trip to South Africa. I do not know at this date where he was buried. Frances, his widow, may be reached at 1280 W. 72d Street, Kansas City 14, Mo.

One further sad report. Sara (Peggy) Giffin, "Gyp" Giffin's widow, died at her home, Bainbridge, Ohio, 22 Nov 62. She was laid to rest in Arlington on a gray 27th Nov beside her husband. Critt, Harriet and Cooper Foote represented the Class. She is survived by two daughters, Ruth Roth, wife of Col. Arthur Roth '27 USA(Ret), 3653 Webster Street, San Francisco 23, Calif.; by Peggy Pardy (Mrs. David A. Pardy), 25 South Street, Goshen, N.Y.; by one son, Lt. Col. Stewart S. Giffin Jun '43 Inf. Ft. Bragg, residing at 501 York Road, Fayetteville, N.C.; plus five grandchildren, one of whom, Cadet Arthur Roth '65, was present at the graveside service.

Doug's letters to "Spec" Toohey have been returned: "Moved, left no address." The Assoc. of Grads has been asked to help locate him. His last address of record: Maj. Francis Joseph Toohey USA(Ret), Rt 3, Rockford, Mich. Any clues?

For the edification of friends of 1913 who read ASSEMBLY, we report here the two most populated events of the DC Det of 1913. First a lunch on 8 Oct honoring Pete and Pauline Corlett and Dorothy and Ashley Cophorne, passing through Washington for medical check-ups at Walter Reed. Present besides the honored victims: Cranes, Crittenbergers, Davidsons, Footes, "Dugan" Herwig (Hans home on sick report), Johnsons, Schmidts, Youngs, and the three prize widows from Distaff Hall—Cornelia Peale, Dorothy King, and "Dolly" Sadtler, a total of 23. During the meal, Demi Castillo phoned from New York City.

The evening of the Army-GWU football game we celebrated the presence of Rosie and Gertrude Rosevear with a dinner at A-N Club. Local gangsters present to a total of 14, including the VFs. The Rosevears were up from Edenton, N.C., taking in Washington and New York.

At our 5 Dec 62 class lunch, attended by Critt, Davidson, Foote, Schmidt, and Young, we celebrated the election of "Tex" as Grand Paramount Carabao, of the Military Order of the Carabao. He will be inducted at the Caraboa Wallow early in Feb 63. Champagne cocktails were absorbed and Dave duly toasted. The gang prepared get-well cards for Johnny, Englehart, and Our Favorite Tac, John D. Long '99 all in Walter Reed. These were sent. Johnny was sent home in 48 hours. The medicos could not find any bugs in him. Englehart is recovering from a chest operation; insofar as we know he's still in WRGH.

A joint Army-Navy 1913 class lunch was held on 13 Dec 62. Present were Herwig, Junius Jones, who happened to hit the Club at the psychological moment, "Snake" Young, and Foote. Of Navy '13, the following: Capt. H. L. Abbott, Adm. Hall, Maj. Gen. C. G. Helmick, USA(Ret), Comdr. J. A. Lee, Mr. Paul D. Sleeper, Adm. Thebaud, Mr. Tisdale, and Capt. Woodside. All Navy files are retired. Interesting and enjoyable occasion.

If you survive reading 1913's class reports in ASSEMBLY and cry for more, *PLEASE continue to send in your news.* Something that may seem to you as not worth reporting

may nonetheless be of interest to others. Absence of news means shyness or inability to write or type: *never*, we hope, does it connote laziness. Will contributors please send their report (letters) for the Spring 1963 ASSEMBLY either to the same regional agents as before or direct to Foote, address at heading of *this* report. If direct to me, get them to me *on or before* 1 Mar 63, so they may be assembled in the prescribed format and mailed to arrive at West Point *on or before* 15 Mar 63. Let me heartily thank all who *have* contributed their news. May those heretofore absent from ASSEMBLY's unusual pages come across *magna cum laude*. Your combined reports *make* the class report what it is; I merely ride herd on them. Finally: COME to the BIG REUNION in 1963: 1913's ONE and ONLY 50th.

'14

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This letter will be abnormally short because practically all class news is contained in the class booklet of letters from classmates and class widows which will be in their hands before Christmas. Some news already contained in the booklet is repeated herein for the information of other classes.

It is with deep regret that I announce the death of our classmate and class treasurer, George Fenn Lewis on 1 Oct 62 after an operation. Fenn attended our 45th Reunion and he and Eva were planing to come to our 50th. We will miss him. Skimp Brand and Jack Jouett have been named as special classmates for Eva, whose address is: Wayside Place, Bozman, Md.

The Class has suffered another severe loss in the death in the latter part of Oct 62 of our classmate, Frank W. Milburn, a distinguished and hard-hitting Lt Gen in WWII, and a very popular classmate throughout his notable career. He is survived by his wife Libby, whom he married after WWII. Her address is: 534 Eddy Ave., Missoula, Mont. Paul Paschal has been named as Libby's special classmate.

For some time I have been trying to establish contact with Torry and Graciela Torroella—ever since they had to leave Havana, shortly before the Bay of Pigs fiasco, which meant abandoning practically all their possessions. Through Skimp Brand I have located them at last, and a letter came from Torry a few days ago, just in time to be referred to in this letter.

While in Cuba, Torry and Graciela were enjoying the company of their son Luis and his wife and infant son. When Torry and Graciela left Cuba to come to the US their daughter-in-law and grandson came with them; but Luis, who had risked his life in the Cuban underground for Fidel Castro against the corrupt Batista dictatorship, and was subsequently disillusioned, insisted on remaining in Cuba to continue to fight underground for Cuba's freedom. Luis was captured and imprisoned in Jun 62. In August he was unjustly accused of being involved in the attempt, made in July, to assassinate Castro. He was finally brought to trial in a "drum-head" court-martial, and the next morning, about 1 Nov, he was taken out and executed by a firing squad. Torry sent me a very moving editorial from the 2 Nov 62 edition of the *Washington Daily News* from which I quote: "...Luis was a fine young man and came from a fine family; his ancestors fought for Cuba's freedom against the Spanish governors,

just as he fought for it against Russia's satrapy.

"Besides his bereaved parents (his Cuban father attended West Point), he leaves a wife and baby.

"These bare details aren't very moving, when you read about them. You have read similar details over and over in our tragic era.

"But when you personally have known a man of good heart and idealism, and have known his family, and know that he has been killed for his very virtues, it brings home to you something of the poignant pain suffered by all wives and children and mothers and fathers of brave young men, when they die generously.

"It is a pain that has been the lot of thousands and thousands in our time, and the end is not yet.

"Luis' crime was he loved liberty, and all of us who enjoy freedom can never repay and must never forget our debt to those who, like him, die for it.

"To those who have a shred of trust for Castro, we bespeak the memory of those, like Luis Torroella, whom he has betrayed and slain."

1914 is looking forward to the 50th Reunion in 1964, which we believe will have a larger attendance than any so far. In writing all classmates and class widows to request their letters for our booklet, each was requested to indicate present plans about attending the reunion. All replies were then forwarded to Charlie Gross, chairman of the 50th Reunion Committee. He has written me the following letter which will be of interest and value to you:

"I am most grateful to you for sending me all the slips from the class letters to you regarding reunion intentions.

"The response has been splendid. Those who generally have attended our class reunions wouldn't miss it, and sign a positive 'yes' for our 50th. There are 57 such, loyal to the end. There are 20 others who hope to come and now that they have entertained the idea will, I feel sure, embrace it as the time approaches. It will be a rich experience for us all.

"For those of us who haven't seen them for years, how good it is to know that Houghton and his wife Florence will attend, and that Adler, Forbes, Haskell, McCain, and Ward are hoping to come—Forbes, McCain, and Ward with their good wives. Even Rees, who writes his coming is doubtful, says that if he does, he will bring his daughter, Mildred Lytle. Markoe and Hampden Spiller, who doubt seriously that they will make it, refuse to dismiss the thought of joining us.

"The great majority who attended the 40th and 45th Reunions favor the same program of classmates living together in barracks. There is some dissatisfaction to having the class dinner at the club at West Point. The irrepressible Royce wants the whole locale transferred to the theater district in New York City. Dad Ingles suggests the 'Bird and Bottle' near West Point. The Officers' Club is being reconstructed at a cost of \$1,000,000 and by 1964 may offer a livelier and better setting than of yore. At least the Class of 1913 regrets that it will not be finished in time for their 50th Reunion. At the other end I'll not name those who quietly come to me to suggest that the program should allow time for a little bunk fatigue after lunch each day.

"Even after the use of a motel for the ladies (really for both classmates and wives) by the Class of 1912, the opinion of all those making arrangements for reunions here at

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Alumni Headquarters is that Ladycliffe offers the best solution available for our wives.

"Where for good reason a classmate must stay with his wife, rather than in barracks, individual arrangements should be made at some motel or in the cabins at Bear Mountain Inn well in advance. At the proper time the committee will get and circulate information on the facilities available.

"The Committee—Gross, Whitten, and Brand—welcomes suggestions from all, so that it may feel surely responsive to the wishes of the Class."

See you sure in sixty-four!

'15

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Asheville, N.C.

Are you nervous? Do you have jittery nerves? Low back pains? Do you feel like slapping the children; the grandchildren; the great grandchildren? Then take Doctor Fillya Tummy's B.S. 13 pills. They'll make you feel better fast. Who wouldn't when he's full of B.S.?

Now I don't experience those symptoms very often. Only once every 3 months when I write these notes and realize that many of my classmates have failed to write. To be exact, 52 of them have never bothered to send a postal card.

Well, ho hum! here goes for another bunch of news. Alphabetical, of course, not chronological, if you know what I mean. Just to complicate things I'm reversing the alphabet and starting bottom up. We "W's" have been on the bottom of rosters too long.

**WOODRUFF**—Woody is one of my most dependable reporters. With his usual innate modesty he seldom writes about himself except to report on trout fishing or his slaughtering an 8 or 10 point buck. He generally tells me about classmates who are either illiterate or too d--- lazy to write. In his latest I learned that the John Leonards are back from their English trip. During his stay in England John made a couple invasions of the continent. One was with Bill Hoge who was one of John's combat commanders when John's division captured the Remagen Bridge on the Rhine. What memories! The Halcombs seem to be getting along O.K.; the Mike Davises are well and active; Carl Hocker has recooped from his operation and is in good enough health to be in a dither about the Corps, the football team, the behavior of cadets, and Hell-on-the-Hudson in general. Having visited West Point in early November (details later) I can assure you that the Corps has not gone to hell. However, we could do with a few Doc Blanchards.

**WEART**—Doug and Gertrude flew to Madrid last September to visit their daughter whose husband, a colonel, is stationed in Madrid with the 16 AFSAC. They motored through southern Spain, spent a week in Majorca then to Rome, Florence, Paris, and back home for Thanksgiving. While in Madrid they staged a miniature class reunion with Duke and Dottie Miller who were "doing" Europe (or was it vice-versa?).

**WALLINGTON**—John doesn't write except to complain when you try to collect a just debt. Sometime ago he sent me a bill for class dues. It happens that at that time I had a lien on the class fund for a typing job so I returned John's bill with my bill and told him he could pay me, less the annual dues. His reply: "Everytime I try to get a buck from you, you dun me for a lot more." He didn't mention his state of health but I de-

duced he was feeling no pain. That guy should be the budget director. He would get the US out of debt.

**WATSON**—Wop is a good sport and took the kidding about his election as I expected he would. He was very modest about the honor Beverly Hills conferred on him. Says Wop: "Sorry that you apparently have been swamped by notices regarding my election as mayor of Beverly Hills. Actually, the way it works out here is that five council members are elected for a term of 4 years by vote of the people, but the council members elect the mayor from their ranks. It is the custom to rotate the job—each mayor serves 1 year—so all I had to do is wait my turn." A good turn for Beverly Hills I calls it. Wop mentions having had lunch with Cousins and playing golf with Hooks Howell. No comment about their health or appearance so I judge their health is O.K. and their appearance—well, you figure it out.

**TOMPKINS**: A recent letter from Bill states: "Having reached the state retirement age of 70 on 22 Sep, I was retired from the Medical College of Virginia. The Board passed a very complimentary resolution on this momentous occasion and elected me Vice Pres Emeritus." Det Ellis sent me a clipping showing that an additional honor was conferred on Bill. The Medical College awarded Bill and Bernard Baruch an honorary "Doctor of Science" degree. A wonderful record for a wonderful guy. In addition, Bill has interest in several other organizations including being governor this year of "The Society of Colonial Wars in Va." (They're still fightin em down there, suh!)

**TAYLOR**—Tom and Hazel are as fluid as mercury and move about like a couple of teen-agers. They went to DC for the Army-George Washington game and saw all the classmates in and around the capital of confusion at the game and at the tea(?) parties given by the Bradleys and the Conklins. I think Tom learned to drink tea during his years in the Army. It's a nice habit. Breaks down tension!

**STICKNEY**—Thanks for the fan letter, Pearl. Here's another granny who is constantly on the move visiting grandchildren.

**SMALL**—Venus is a very faithful reporter of all West Point activities. From his account, there was quite a group of '15-ers at the homecoming game, including Bradley and his grandson Hank Beukema, Jake Meneely and family, the Shorty McDonalds, the Gene Leones, Marguerite Guilkeson, the Hobbs, James and daughter, the Hydies, the Cliff Tates, Tompkins, Evans, Hess, Jack Davis, and Freddy Boye. They saw the best football game Army played this year.

While I'm on the subject of the Smalls I'd like to report that I went to West Point 8-10 Nov, to attend an Admissions Division conference. I was the Smalls' "housepest". Their generous and thoughtful hospitality made my stay most enjoyable. The conference was interesting and informative and I'm here to confess that the Corps has not gone to hell, far from it. The Supe, Westy Westmoreland, is doing a superb job, ably assisted by his most charming and efficient wife Kitsy. I met Paul Dietzel and was impressed; not only with his abilities as a coach but with his obvious qualities of leadership. Although at the game I saw 10 Nov, Army was defeated by Oklahoma State, I think Army will go places under Paul. He has the stuff and deserves the support of the Alumni.

**PEABODY**:—You do not have to call Hume "Senator." In a letter written immediately after the election, ex-Senator Peabody writes:

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"I am hastening to advise all my palpitating classmates who each day are forcing their creaking bones into rehearsals of the deep salaam, so they might fittingly greet me when next we meet, that they can knock it off and go back to acting their respective ages. I was whopped by a score of 2.6-1. I give this exact proportion knowing what a stickler you are for exact information. Besides, P. Echols often told me: 'Oh, Mr. Peabody don't be so indefinite, tell me exactly.'" Hume describes as a Cold Max the party put on by the West Point Society of DC and the arrangements it made for the Army-George Washington game. All received VIP treatment.

**KING**—Oiseau and Chick are spending the winter in San Antonio. The Docs told Oiseau that it would be to his advantage to spend the winter in a warmer climate. The Docs were so right, because as I write this (13 Dec) my thermometer stands at -4°F.

**Howell**—A card from Papette, Tahiti, informs me that the Howells are on the move. They spent some enjoyable and eyefilling days on this Island Paradise and planned to fly to "Austrylia." From the "au naturelle" appearance of the Tahitian maiden on the postal card, I think May is in for a hard time getting Hooks away. He writes longingly, "Wish I'd been here years ago." I wrote Hooks, "You ain't old till you stop lookin." Bon voyage, Howells.

**GIBSON**—Gibby sends a gruesome P.C. advertising burial plots in Florida where cold Yankees can enjoy warm, sandy, permanent homes. Bury M. Deep, Inc., the Yankee Planting Specialists, have convenient lay-away plans and headstones for the low, low price of \$19.19 tax exempt. Sounds to me like a splendid offer. If you know of any available classmates, contact Gibby. He says he can guarantee choice locations.

**DAVIS**—Jack has not contributed his usual sparkling comments. His last bit of news is that he and Aileen are in good health, which I'm sure will please all their many friends.

**COCHRAN**—John Henry, so I learned just the other day, spent the summer and early fall in Hendersonville, N. C. The so-and-so didn't contact me even though I live only 20 miles away. I thought my reading public knew I live in Asheville. What's wrong, John?

**CO-EDS**—Three 1915 widows are now in Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Avenue, Washington, D.C. They are: Dorothy Benedict, Florence Wallace, and Grace Warren.

Much to my regret, I must end on a sorrowful note. Just received a letter that John Smylie died. No details. Sympathy from the Class to the family.

And this wraps it up for 1962. I hope and pray you will have a blessed Christmas and a New Year of good health and happiness.

Dieu Vous benisse  
WOG

'16

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The trip to California that the Millers planned last summer was extended to cover Japan. Before sailing they dined with the

Shuggs and Doney in San Francisco. At the hotel in Yokahama they ran into the Robbs who had decided to continue their trip around the world and were about to sail for Hong Kong. The Millers returned by transport via Korea, Okinawa, Manila, and Guam. They planned to visit their daughter Barbara in California before motoring home to San Antonio.

Babe Weyand's proof-reading chore is over and his latest book, "Football Immortals," has now been published. This is Babe's third book and he has made a real contribution to the history of American sports. Gus Mangan, living somewhat off the beaten track—in St. Augustine, Tex.—says he gets to see few classmates. While in San Antonio this fall putting his youngest daughter in college he was pleased to run into Joe Tully and found him so full of pep it was like being back in cadet barracks again. Parker and Margaret Kuhn were in Washington in November at a party given by Bobbie O'Hare, Red's widow. They were visiting their daughter at Gibson Island, Md. The Worshams are moving south to La Jolla to get away from the Los Angeles smog. Pat Flanigen on his way to the Navy game was entertained in Washington at a class luncheon. He has retired as a math instructor at the U. of Ga. We regret to hear that before reaching Philadelphia he was called back to Georgia by the death of his brother.

Stanley Reinhart informs us of the arrival of a grandson, Stanley Reinhart III, a potential candidate for USMA '86. Ben Yancey says he expects to join the granddaddy's club in 1963. Joe Tully is the Granddaddy of the Class. He has 19 grandchildren. Reinhart is going back to Walter Reed Hospital for a cataract operation in February. He says that this, with the previous operation on the other eye, will make his eyesight as good as new. Crampton Jones has gone through a siege with phlebitis which required several trips to the hospital. Latest reports indicate that he is making a good recovery. Our Class was represented at West Point at Homecoming and the Pitt Game by Hoge, Kuhn, Moses, Prickett, and Weyand. Jack Fraser was on the list but did not get there. Kate has not been well and he sticks close to Tucson.

Brig and Savilla Bliss gave a class television party at their home in Washington for the Navy game. The DeWitts, Callaghers, Maguires, Scofields, Scotts, and Walshes were there. Bill and Boots Spence drove to Ft. Sill to spend Thanksgiving with their son Craig, who is stationed there. Bob and Nell Whitson spent Thanksgiving with Bob's two sisters in Tennessee. Bob says he has given up raising citrus fruit since the killing frost last spring. The Tullys are planning to spend Christmas with their son Joe Jr. in Sanford, Fla., where he is now a Navy captain. The Newgardens expect their son, Lt. Col. George J. Newgard, Jr., to spend Christmas with them in San Antonio. Dizie and Eleanor Britton will fly to Europe in March for a 6-month trip. Part of the time they will spend with their daughter, the wife of Capt. Newton Cox, at Stuttgart.

The Hendersons received a tragic shock last summer when they learned that their daughter had been killed in an automobile accident in England on 12 Sep. She had been in the WAC during WWII and was buried with full military honors at Ft. Sill. The sincere sympathy of the Class goes to her parents. It is with heavy heart that we report the death of Horace McBride. For the past several years he had been fighting against ill health, but it was a fight he could not win. He died at his home in Maitland, Fla., on 12 Nov and

was buried in Arlington Cemetery on 16 Nov, with his Washington classmates acting as pallbearers. The Class has lost a great soldier and its deepest sympathy goes out to his widow Irene.

APR  
'17

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Those who haven't already read about it in the newspapers will be delighted to learn that our John J. McEwan has been inducted into the National Football Hall of Fame at Rutgers. The ceremony took place 4 Dec at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City.

Word has just been received that William O. (Bruce) Butler died 30 Oct of heart failure while he and Helen were out in California visiting their son. Bruce's body was brought back and buried in his home town, Marshall, Va.

I regret to report also that Louise Bonham died 16 Nov 62. Her son James '40, a colonel of Infantry, flew home from Korea for the funeral. Her and Pete's other son, Francis Hamilton (Ham) '43, a lieutenant colonel in the Air Corps only 2 years after graduation, was killed in an air accident in 1945. Later James married Francis's widow.

For classmates, wives, and widows in the Washington area there was a pleasant class luncheon on 12 Dec at the A-N Town Club.

Last May, Jess and Clarke Fales—"having mastered farming or it having mastered us"—moved to Virginia Beach and have built a new home there. Their new address is Windsor Road, London Bridge, Virginia Beach, Va. Their only child, Jean, now has quarters at Bolling AFB. Her husband, David Burchinal, was promoted to Lt Gen USAF last summer and is stationed at the Pentagon. Their two children are in boarding school. Although Jess and Clark have given up their cottage by the sea in Barbados, they plan to return there for a few weeks in January.

After 10 years with the Mason and Hanger—Silas Mason Co. as plant manager of their Iowa Ordnance Plant, Joel Holmes was made a VP of the company as of 1 Jan 63, so he and Josephine have moved to New Jersey. Their new address is 25 Cranmoor Drive, Toms River, N. J. Joe writes, "This works out fine for me, as I am going back to my home country where I was born and raised. If you or any others of my classmates ever get up that area, please don't pass me up."

AUG  
'17

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Thirty-four were present at our 12 Nov luncheon. Try to make one of these miniature class reunions. They are extremely rewarding. As usual Leo Smith sent door prizes for the ladies.

Bob and Marjory Hasbrouck had us to their home for lunch and to watch the Army-Navy Game on TV 1 Dec. There was not much wailing or gnashing of teeth at the results. That first pass from center over the punter's head seemed to show the direction of the wind from the start.

Donations have been received from Bacon, Bellinger, Chapman, Cole, Counts, Dickson, Ely, Eyster, Fye, Herbert, Hoffman, Jenna, Johnson, Kern, Leavey, Lewis, Matlack,

Ringsdorf, Schaefer, Wilson WI. Please accept this as our acknowledgment and thanks. From all of these men notes have been received. Our gleanings from these notes follows. They have been briefed because of space limitations.

With great regret, the death of Julia Hurlbut Bissell on 30 Oct, after a long illness, was announced in Carmel, Calif. Interment was in Allegheny Cemetery, Pittsburgh. Memorial contributions may be made to the Carmel Foundation, Carmel. The Class has acted. Our sympathies go out to John TerBush.

We have TWO weddings to announce: that of Hi Ely to Rae H. from Miami. They were married on 21 Oct and are living at HiHope Farm, Flemington, N.J. Hi introduced Rae to us at the 12 Nov luncheon. AND that of Bill Carswell to Miss Billie (Mooneyhan) in West Palm Beach, Fla., on 16 Nov. They are living at 621 Hudson Road, West Palm Beach. Bill says the latch string is out for classmates traveling through. Our very best wishes and congratulations to both the Elys and the Carswells.

News: Jack and Mary Knight sent a card from Tucson where Jack had gone on business. He missed his trip to West Point on admissions this year due to the press of business. Jack Johnson wrote from San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, where they have lived for 15 years. He and Florence were on an extended trip around the world during the year. They visited 25 countries, large and small. They found the tracks of Miles and Ann Cowles in such places as Hong Kong, Ceylon, and India and spent an evening with the Harloes in Honolulu—and missed the reunion. We hope they will make the next one. Jerry Counts was in Washington for only a day early in Sep. He hopes to be back again this year. It is reported from San Diego that Jerry is quite a fan of the Chargers, stemming from his friendship for Sid Gilman which goes back to the days of Red Blaik when Sid was one of Red's assistants. Herbert would like to see you at the Los Angeles International Airport where he is on the staff.

Pinky Rolfe wrote of their visit with daughter and grandchildren in Paris, where son-in-law is mil attaché—also to France, Italy, and Spain for several weeks. Bart Harlowe writes his office home is now in city hall, Honolulu, and that his visits over here will be fewer since he is no longer with the advanced management program of the University of Hawaii. Bob Bacon writes all is well in Brownsville, Tex. Bill and Maude Jenna had quite an experience on their way north this summer. Both he and Maude had hospital sieges during the trip, so they decided the place for them was HOME. Bill then, while exercising, sprawled on the sidewalk, broke two fingers on his left hand, sprained his right, skinned his knee—but he came out of it, the leg ailment corrected which had put him in the hospital on the way north. So, what about ill winds that blow? Jules and Catherine could not be with us at the luncheon, for they wished to remain nearer Jules' brother who was seriously ill in Galveston. Bill Chapman wrote us of Julia Bissell's passing. He and Toodles, Willie and Inez Wilson, and Arthur and Betty Weeks attended the funeral. The Paul Coles, the Mickey Kernans, the Burr Parkers, and the Ken Moores have visited Bill and Toodles this summer. Bill told us of Biff's and Elizabeth's cousin, Dr. Margaret Swigert. Her husband, world-noted astronomer and scientist, Fritz Neubauer, died a few years ago. She was named "Woman of the year" by the Monterey

Peninsula Quota Club, was given a great party, great acclaim, and much deserved admiration. She is very well-known and much beloved. Bill said he and Toodles are so happy to see some of her stardust light on Biff because he is her cousin and because "he generally sheds stardust instead of catching it."

John Fye missed the reunion because his son had just returned from 3 years in Germany with the V Corps.

Pablo Cole reported nothing new and startling except his use of bailing wire and scotch tape and daily nourishment and trips to Las Vegas, Lake Tahoe, and Joints on the South Shore. Well, yes, both new and startling and also laudable.

Ed Leavey is now back home in Honolulu after completing a job for the World Bank and the Kenya Government, heading an economic survey team of 10 men, each a specialist ("except himself") in some phase of technical, scientific, or practical operation; and a number of men combining that with experience in the mystic fields of economics. Ed's own job was to see all, know all, plan all, push all to achieve a comprehensive examination, analysis, and report on the economy of Kenya as a prelude to its independence. Ed's comment about his experience is best left for the official report of the team which is shortly to be published. It is suggested to Julia Saunders, who is now living in Honolulu, that she contact Bart Harloe at city hall, Ed Leavey, or Geo Hirsch, who can brief her on graduates in Hawaii.

Skinny and Eleanor Sharpe, and Swede and Betty Sareka were on their way to Florida, bypassing Washington, seeking southern relief from the chills of the bitter north at 12 Nov time and we missed seeing them.

Norm McNeill has not been too well. We saw him recently. He gave up the idea of going south, remaining at his home in Bethesda.

Sam Ringsdor says life is not monotonous but that being busy is not news. He was at the George Washington game, in fine fettle.

Gus Hoffman has retired from his college instructor job, having reached the statutory age, and is now devoting his time to getting acquainted with his grandchildren.

Parry Lewis is spending much time in his devoted labor of love with Boys' Home, Covington, Va. He asked that this be not mentioned, but I cannot resist. So forgive me, Parry. Our admiration. This is most praiseworthy and worthwhile.

Tracy Dicksons are going around South America in Jan and will visit grandchildren in San Francisco on their return. Tracy, carry your class roster with you and take time to go see as many of our sizeable gang on the West Coast as you can find time for while you are there.

Red Durfee tells us that he and sister Dorothy Warner took off by jet in Sept to visit an older brother in Los Angeles. The brother is not in the best of health and Red had not seen him for 21 years. Red Warner stayed home to keep his eye on his golf cronies and his golf. From Los Angeles they visited another brother (ex-Nov '18) in San Clemente. Here they saw Kay Barnes and her son, and the Spider Malings. Spider told Red they are seriously considering moving to Mexico to live. What influences at work? California politics, Jack Johnson's delight with Mexico, or just plain urge? Do let us know, Spider.

Marguerite Eyster missed our luncheon because of conflict with her own alumnae meeting. We missed her.

Girard Troland writes that life is very simple: he bakes pies, plays the piano, reads a great deal in the field of science, maintains the house, and watches for the mailman. Now how could one spend his time more rewardingly?

Biff and Elizabeth are taking a trip on the *Gripsholm* leaving 27 Jun for North Cape. A marvelous trip, so Edith says. She took it while we were in Norway in 1954. Edith went on a fishing boat. I have heard that the *Gripsholm* is one of the best ships afloat today, so luck, pleasure, and good going to Biff and Elizabeth. See you in the fall.

At the luncheon, Leo and Miriam had their daughter, Mrs. Greene with them. Col Michael J. Greene '41 had just left for Vietnam. Dorothe Matlack had her son-in-law and daughter, Lt. Col. Henry J. Hughes '45. They showed us some of the fine younger generation we are proud of.

One word more. Thanks to you who have written. Do more of it. We all like the news and go for it avidly. To those who have not written, please do. Help make the next issue better each time. Keep our memos in your tickler file and answer them.

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Again the response has been wonderful from both the male and distaff members of the Class. However, I warn you that you will be let off the hook for only an issue or so. After that you shall again be considered unaccounted for unless another letter is forth-



Jun'18: Meyer Casman being sworn in as a member of the Pa Mil Adv Com by Judge Sloan while Judge Carroll, a commission member holds the Governor's commission.

coming. We are a small, compact, but most interesting and newsworthy group. Let's keep it that way.

The Adcocks spent November and December beachcombing in Hawaii. With both sons on duty at the Pentagon, Addie felt the Cuban situation was in competent hands. He and Inez send Aloha to all the class.

Pierre Agnew says the old legs won't take too much standing around any more (an old hip operation), but he does occasionally lunch with Jim Pichel, and once in a blue moon sees Bob Horr and Pat Paterson. He continues his work with the Bd of Fire Underwriters, and he and Kate pursue their even tenor of life.

George Aigeltinger is glad 1962 is about over, as he spent too much time going in and

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.

out of the hospital. In spite of these excursions he has a marvelous outlook, says he is well, seemingly healthy, and believes he could fit into his cadet uniforms. Many of us with our own aches and pains, or overweight, should appreciate such sentiments. Slim George hopes to see us all at the class reunion.

Scip Axelson had a severe coronary attack and spent August and September at the Naval Hosp in San Diego. For the present, diets, medication, periodic checkups, and slow down activities, encountered by many of us, are the orders of the day. He is making a slow but good recovery. Scip mentions one thing that bears quoting: "Hab Elliott is here and that gives me a crutch to lean on. It is a great satisfaction to know there is a classmate not too far away."

Heinie Baish, another sojourner at the hospital, returned home in October after 14 weeks at Walter Reed, where his spleen and several other parts of his anatomy were taken away from him. Following surgery, Heinie celebrated his new life extension with a family reunion in his hospital room; present were wife Adelaide, daughter Olivia, daughter Sheila from Orlando, and son Frank from West Point. Several classmates stopped in to wish Heinie a get-well quick, which must have worked, because he is now rapidly convalescing at home with hopes of returning to his teaching in January.

Our one and only honorary classmate, Bernard M. Baruch, writes that modern nuclear war requires more manpower, rather than less, and military improvements by men like classmate Lucius Clay, and others, based on previous experience rather than by trial and error, have succeeded in preparing our country militarily and economically for the responsibilities and obligations which we face. For such reason, writes Mr. Baruch, "No honor I have ever received has pleased me more than having been made an honorary member of 'our' class."

The Blanchards went goose hunting and brought back the bacon—I mean the geese. While Eve was winning their Thanksgiving turkey at the Women's Golf Tournament, Charlie went forth and bagged his deer. For indoor sport, Charlie is working out their '63 summer itinerary, which starts off with a stop at West Point for the class reunion, then north through Canada, west to San Francisco, and other details not yet completed.

Pat and Dot Casey gave a large cocktail party for the American Legion Natl Comdr at the convention in Las Vegas. They had a fabulous time at Vegas but broke no banks. In November they went on a Shoot'n Cruise and their party bagged 32 pheasant and 116 duck. Pat reports the Grenatas, Krebers, Harry Newshaw, and the Robinsons were spotted at the A-N game, all rooting lustily, but to no avail.

Talked with Meyer Casman when he was in town to attend the Mil Order of WW as the JAG of the Philadelphia chapter. A former judge of the Restitution Court of Appeals in Germany and a Pa. P.U.C. Hearing Examiner, Meyer still keeps up with the military. The Governor has recently appointed him a Member of the Pa. Mil Adv Com.

In October at Las Vegas, Lucius Clay received the American Legion's Distinguished Service Award. Pat and Dot Casey were proud spectators at the ceremonies. Over the past few months Lucius has been the recipient of numerous other special awards. As the President's advisor on Berlin, Lucius attended an American-German Conference on West Germany's role in the NAT Alliance at Bad Godesberg and Berlin. In spite of his heavy schedules, Lucius is as chipper as ever. Marge still suffers pain in her arm and back but bravely carries on. Word just received that the President has named Lucius the chairman of a new Committee to Strengthen the Security of the Free World. There go the Clays' '63 plans for a second retirement.

Except for a once a year trip with Grace, Max Corpening says they stay put on the farm. Since he has no news Max wishes to give us some advice—stay out of the cattle feeding business. In spite of the cash operating loss, Max can't help mentioning they live in beautiful country and the red carpet is out for any of the clan passing their way.

Hab Elliott writes: "Can't see for the life of me what we do that can interest any self-centered old fuds, that is if the other old fuds are as self-centered as I am." Hab then brings us up-to-date as follows: "disposition, Mary's good, mine rotten; health, good and that goes for both of us; alcoholic capacity, three martinis before dinner and a good healthy nightcap, and that goes for both of us; progeny, one, a captain of Arty stationed at Sill, whom we hope to see this Christmas when we go on to romp with THE grandson under the Christmas tree; classmates seen recently, Scip Axelson, who is recuperating from a heart attack." Hab, too, belongs to the cardiac club, joined 10 years back, just before he retired, and says, "if Scip has my revolting disposition, he'll stay alive just to keep from giving you obituary vultures the pleasure of reading about his demise. From the way Scip looked when I took him down to the Naval Hosp for a check, he has the same nasty stick-to-it-iveness." Hab winds up, "Friend, you asked for it. I dare you to print it. You wouldn't." When Hab isn't telling folks how cantankerous he is, he's busy taking care of classmates, wife Mary, THE grandson, and the beautiful tuberous begonias, roses, and other plants that he lovingly nurses in his garden.

If anyone has old copies of The Liberty Boys of '76, Circa 1912, Squire Foster would appreciate having them. Once a week Squire has lunch with an old Army friend and after their third martini comes up with the approved solution to all political and foreign policy problems. We're banking on you, Squire, to keep this country on an even keel. Squire enjoys reading the latest Nick Carters, the Young Wild Wests, and The Liberty Boys when he can get them. In between historical and nature essay reading, I also enjoy some of the books of my boyhood, as well as the older books on fantasy, lost civilizations, and other previously called rubbish, which in our new age of research of legendary tales have been found to contain many truths. In fact, I have quite a library on these subjects, and if any other classmates will confess to a bent in this direction we might form a trading post. Squire is looking forward to the class reunion in June.

Phil Gallagher has been made a member of the Bd of Trustees of USMA. Phil is very active in the Columbus, Ga., West Point Society chapter, and the Founders Day Dinners, thanks to his efforts, are quite an event, attracting people from all over Georgia and

Alabama. This year the Supe is expected to be guest speaker. Phil takes a great deal of satisfaction in the successful efforts of the chapter directed toward finding, guiding, and helping youngsters get into the Academy.

Growley and Steve Gruhn are busy sorting out replies, making reservations, and organizing plans for our class reunion in June. If you have not already done so, send in your reply at once. Growley, with the rank of Assoc Prof is back at teaching calculus. Son Tom is a Capt commanding a Cps Abn long range recon outfit in Germany. Daughter Ruth is at the U. of London.

Hughie Hewitt writes there is not much to report, yet out of his letter I glean the following interesting events. The President having reluctantly accepted Hughie's resignation as Boundary Commissioner, the Hewitt clan breathed a sigh of relief, re-retired and took off on a tour of Panama, the Mexican ruins of the Mayan civilization in Yucantan, and Mexico City. Hughie said that visiting the Mayan ruins was a wonderful experience and there are literally thousands of unexcavated sites yet to be explored, a fine opportunity for someone with a strong back and lots of money.

Dunc Hodges reports that since leaving Washington he and Sarah have married off their daughter and only offspring; sold their house in the frozen north, and bought another on a lovely little lake in Winter Park, Fla., at 711 Pinetree Rd. Dunc says that golf 3 days a week with old Army cronies, a swim off his own dock, and a lake well stocked with fish are luxuries he wouldn't trade for all the gold that used to be at Ft. Knox. No classmates have appeared yet, but invitations are out to all.

Charlie Hoffman spent a few days down on the Eastern Shore of Maryland trying to knock a few geese and ducks on their fannies. Says he is still fast on the trigger but the sighting could be better.

My last notice to Wynot Irish was returned, and I do not have a current address for Heinie Stenzel. Can anyone help?

It has been learned through Freddie Kimble that Pat Timothy retired again from his civilian activities and that he and Veron were making a leisurely trip around the world. Freddie also alerted me as to the death of Eldon King. Many thanks for your fine assists, Freddie.

An ex-classmate, Eldon P. King, passed away on 12 Nov 62. He was a cadet member of our Class from Jun '15 to Jun '16. He served as a Capt during WW I. Graduating in law from Wash and Lee in 1920, he became one of the foremost international tax authorities in the Internal Revenue Service, representing the US in the League of Nations and United Nations meetings both in the US and abroad. Freddie Kimble remembers him well as a cadet, being in the same beginning Plebe section.

Polly Knight writes that after 15 years of cattle ranching she and Offie have really retired. They will continue to live in rural Oregon (Rt. 2, Box 394, Estacada, Ore.) in the beautiful foothill country near Mt. Hood. They are fortunate in having their eldest daughter and her family near them. Their second daughter lives in Los Angeles, and son O'Ferrall, a Capt stationed at Bragg, is deeply interested in psychological warfare.

Alice Kramer's slow boat to China trip was a howling success in spite of a typhoon just out of Hong Kong, and being quarantined at Kobe for cholera tests because of an alleged epidemic at Hong Kong. However, they did get to Yokohama and inland to Kamakura

and Tokyo. Son Bunny worked at the IBM pavilion at the Seattle Fair before going into military service.

Edna Leeper left Carmel, Calif., last February to join an early day friend and her associate in their business at 307 Gordon Bldg., Brunswick, Ga. In fact, it was this friend who introduced her to a young Lt in the 24th Inf in Columbus, N. Mex., in 1919 named "Daddy" Leeper. Edna is now nearer her family, particularly her daughter Beth and three children who live in Pennsylvania, and who gave her a delightful and busy summer.

Hal Lewis sent in a fascinating report of the Alaskan trip he and Frances took. Just wish we had the space to cover Hal's glowing report in full, but here's a sample. Flying to Seattle for their jump-off point, they saw the Gold Cup hydroplane races, monorailed to the Fair and dined atop the Space Needle. Then on to Juneau and Anchorage, receiving an excellent briefing on all facets of Alaska at the Elmedorf AFB. Hal says he felt much safer after hearing the military aspects. Chartering a float plane, they flew over Portage Glacier to Prince William Sound for a grand day of salmon fishing. On to Mt. McKinley and Fairbanks via Govt RR, and then a day's motor coach trip landed them in the Yukon territory, and another's journey brought them to White Horse from where they went by narrow gauge to Skagway. During the 1890's and early 1900's, Skagway was a thriving town, ruled socially by Mrs. Dan Pullen, the mother of Alaska's first cadet and graduate, Dan Pullen, whom we, as cadets, remember as a young officer at West Point. Mrs. Pullen the owner of Pullen Hotel, was a familiar sight in those days driving her grand coach drawn by four matched horses. Sailing on the Glacier Queen, Hal and Frances took in Port Chilkoot, brushing by small icebergs to Sawyer's Glacier. Going through the inland passage, they passed the fishing and canning town of Petersburg and next stopped at Ketchikan; then on to Vancouver, passing through Hegate Strait, where they came upon a tremendous herd of whales. Hal says their lasting impression of the trip was that no matter where they were they could look in any direction and behold towering mountains covered with caps of pure white snow.

The Lorences were pleased to have Tommy and Nonie Tompkins visit them in Vermont shortly before closing their summer place and returning to Washington, thrilled with the beautiful display of fall colors of the New England countryside, enroute. Spotted at the Army-GW football at Washington were the Barringers, Bishops, Gallaghers, Daddy Holt and daughter, Jadvins, Freddie Kimble, Lorences, Mileys, Helen Newman, Sturgises, and the Tansleys.

Harry Mewshaw reports that Alexia's blood pressure is gradually returning to normal, and he plays his usual round of golf three times a week, winter and summer. In spite of playing on the best course in the south, he has to use a large handicap and this may or may not help classmates passing his way. Daughter June's husband, Lt. Col. Harry E. Ruhsam, is stationed at the Pentagon and they reside in Fairfax, Va., with their three children, where their daughter Joey is an accomplished rider and continues the family reputation winning her share of horse show ribbons in the south. Daughter Sally and husband, Lt. Col. Arthur B. White, with their two children, are moving from Heidelberg to Snelling, they hope.

The Meilenzs visited relatives in Wisconsin during the summer and Lloyd revisited boyhood vacation spots. At home they entertained

daughter Penny and husband Col. H. E. Bisbort, just retired from White Sand Missile Range, and their four children. Col. Bisbort is now a principal engineer with a chemical company constructing a new plant to support Cape Canaveral activities. While in NY during October Lloyd and Maurine had dinner with the Caseys, saw several shows, and managed to do some Christmas shopping. They stopped off in Washington en route home and were gaily wined and dined.

Bud Miley says his brokerage work keeps him from accompanying Fenie on her frequent visits to see the children and grandchildren. Son Buz is a Lt Col with Special Forces at Bragg where he lives with his wife and daughter. Jack, his wife and four children live in Chicago where he works for the Continental Can Co.

An encouraging letter from Murray Neilson. And a cheery hello from Helen Newman, Crip's widow. Such notes help keep your reporter grinding. The mail just brought best wishes from Bit and Mary Barth, who are looking forward to seeing the gang in June. What a reunion we should have.

Robbie Newman, Jim's widow, had to give up her political work, as well as her activities at the AFB near Orlando, for a sojourn in the hospital. She is now teaching school, third grade. Son Jim is Dist Engr at Nashville, and Bob has been busy on atomic test work in the Pacific.

Tom Nixon commuted from Gettysburg for almost 3 months while Aimee was at Walter Reed and son Henry was attending school. Aimee and Henry spent the summer visiting her family in France while Tom puttered around the house and yard. Tom says they live a quiet life just 2 miles north of Gettysburg and the only classmate they see occasionally is Reg Whitaker.

Jim and Mildred Pichel will represent the Class at the Xmas dinner dance of the SF Bay Area WP Society on 14 Dec, the other classmates not being equal to tripping the light fantastic. Jim still enjoys his law practice and manages to take a few days off for golf while his associate, a Navy grad, keeps the admirals out of jail—he's glad the generals are pure. He occasionally has lunch with Agnew, Horr, and Paterson, when Pierre isn't working too hard and Bob and Pat can be pried loose from the bridge table.

Robbie Robinson finds life rather complicated, trying to keep up with six married children, four of them in the service or formerly in Service, and 16 grandchildren. All this in addition to his regular job as probation officer of the Juvenile Court, and Barbara's job as social welfare worker. Par exemple: they met his oldest daughter and her husband, Col. R. M. Colquett, and their five children in NY upon their return from Germany; all vacationed with Robbie before proceeding to Meade, the eldest grandson going on to Texas A&M as a frosh. Then their son and family from NYC vacationed with them. Their youngest daughter and her Engineer husband were transferred from Belvoir to Dayton and needed Robbie's advice and consultation on numerous details. One child is still in Germany and the other two are in California. There, all six are accounted for, Robbie.

Marian Ross had a wonderful time on her first trip abroad last summer. She made her headquarters with daughter Marian Karrick at Petit Beauregard outside of Paris, and joined Cook Tours to see more of Europe.

Earle Rundell's knee again gave away, resulting in another fall, which left him on crutches for another 6 weeks. He has now

graduated to a knee brace. Earle and Bee sold their home in Connecticut and decided to go house hunting in Florida. On their trip south they stopped off with son Bud at McLean, Va., where they had a good chat with Freddie Kimble. They selected Winter Park as the best place to settle and hope to close a deal on a home about ½ mile from the Orlando AFB, which will give them hospital, commissary, PX, and club privileges. But they still hope to make the reunion in June.

Sylvia Shattuck reports having seen the Gruhns and the Wards at some of the home games. Son Blanny, on leave and change of station from Korea, is thumbing his way home in a westerly direction, now having passed Hong Kong, Taiwan, Bangkok, Kuwait, New Delhi, Ankara, and Athens. When last heard from, he was with classmates in Heidelberg enroute to Berlin and probably some skiing in Austria. He will be home for Xmas, making it a real joyous one for Sylvia, and will then report to Aberdeen with the Test and Evaluation Command. Jo Rice will stay with Sylvia during reunion week.

Looking up one of Monk Sherman's old letters, I noted he had written that even though he was one of the oldest men of the Class he could still keep up his garden. I told him to check my birthdate as I was his senior in age and took care of two gardens, and he replied, being an Engineer that shouldn't be too tough. He says the last classmate he had seen was Charlie Lifsey back in 1956 or 1957.

Sam Sturgis is popping his buttons, and rightfully too, as Fran won the runner-up cup of the Chevy Chase Club's annual ladies handicap golf tournament, beating most of the contestants who were half her age. Sam urges all classmates to review his Circular #9 on the class reunion, and to get their answers and deposits to Growley Gruhn, 15 Stillman Ave., Cornwall, N.Y., as soon as possible.

Tommy Tompkins reported Nonie in the hospital with a possible slipped disc, necessitating his passing up the A-N game. However, a later letter informs us of the good news that Nonie is now out of the hospital and home, still quite lame but no bad disc and no operation necessary. Get well quick, Nonie.

Clarry and Elsie Townsley had expected to stay at Squam Lake until the snows came, but along comes a letter from Clarry from Westlake, Ohio, where they are keeping house for son Paige and family as their fifth grandson, Darrell Shannon Townsley, had appeared on 8 Nov. Grandma and grandpa hope to be back in Manhasset before Christmas, and are praying that the leaves which had just begun to fall when they left for Ohio will all have blown over to the neighbors.

Bunny Ward, writing for Chesty, tells of their great pleasure in visiting Marge and Lucius Clay in Berlin, and how proud they were to see the affection and respect in which Lucius is held by Berliners of all ages. Life goes on as usual in Connecticut, enlivened by trips to the Point to see Army's home games. By the time this goes to press they will have left on an extended trip to Europe. We hope for details in the next issue.

Reg Whitaker reports that Margaret fell and broke her right femur in Nov 61 and spent the first half of '62 in hospitals at Carlisle Barracks and Valley Forge. During the latter part of the period, Reggie was in Valley Forge for a cataract removal. Happy to report both are fine now.

That's it folks, more news next issue, so keep the letters rolling.

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

Pearson, Bixby, and Groves have all had an exchange of letters with Dzau, as have I, too. Linson's letter to Dick reads in part: "I am really happy to be in touch with some of my classmates. You and they are extremely kind to write me and get me to feel alive and in circulation again. Yes, I have had many tough years and still feel the tremendous pressure all round me. If I could only get my family out from the communist hold. But then I should be thankful that I am even alive. I am grateful for your sympathy and encouragement. Yes, Peckham was among the first to write to inquire. I am indebted first of all to Conrad who brought me out into civilization, so to speak—I am certainly glad to get news of you from Pearson. It gives me a wonderful uplift to hear how wonderfully well those I know have been doing. Please find enclosed a cheque for \$25 and the form for application to become a member of the Association of Graduates. If convenient, please send me a copy of the summer issue of ASSEMBLY. Through the kindness of Peckham I have received the last two issues. Your Homecoming information sheet gives me a deep sense of something terribly amiss in my present scheme of living, and an extreme feeling of aloneness. Anyway I shall be with you in spirit and in prayer. Please accept my warmest regards and all best wishes." Dzau's address is 18 Rua Silva Mundes, Macau.

Hunk Holbrood brought Gen. Crittenberger to the 14 Nov lunch at the Army-Navy Club. Critt writes: "Your USMA luncheon today was one of the nicest occasions I can remember. Characterized, as it was, by friendliness and informality on all sides, it was really an inspiration. Some of those fellows like McCone, Hastings, and Shaffer, I have not seen in years. And to sit down to lunch with all of those other everyday-associates like Peckham, Biff and Herb Jones, Badger, Jake Welchel, Ferenbaugh, and the rest, really gave me quite a bang. Then, too, Sam Sturgis always is an object lesson to me and everyone else. Yes, Willard, this is just a note to thank you, and the rest, for a very pleasant and warm-hearted gettogether. Once more you have rung the bell. I shall not forget it."

Two grand letters have come from Pinkie Williamson. He and Helen are happy at home in Augusta, surrounded by friends. I had written him to tell him what good fox-hunting the Harris tweed riding coat he gave me was enjoying.

Lawrence Bixby writes from 5989 Suffield Road, Riverside, Calif.: "Eleven of our classmates and their wives gathered to support the Army Team in its rumpus with the Navy on 1 Dec. Ruth and Charley Morrison and Andree and Bill Mendenhall were the hosts—at the Morrison's fine new home in Corona del Mar. For westerners the game on television was a morning affair. All hands rose above the depressed spirits resulting from the outcome of the game and made a gala day in the re-

newal of old friendships and bringing things up to date. The Carrolls and Gildarts were recently back from Japan, and the Dickeys just down from the north to occupy their new desert home in Borrego Springs, Calif. After the game the luncheon was out of this world. Those who made the party: Mary and Jim Carroll of Los Angeles; Murry and Wiley Carter, Ruby and Lawrence Bixby of Riverside; Vincent Conrad of Whittier (but Melba was unable to come); Virginia and Dean Dickey of Borrego Springs; Isabel and Charley Gildart, presently of Hemet; Frances and Bill Hesp of El Segundo; Andree and Bill Mendenhall of Laguna Beach; Ruth and Charley Morrison of Corona del Mar; Dorothy and Harrison Shaler of Pasadena; Bernard Slifer of Santa Monica. Expected but unable to attend were the McReynolds, Ramseys, and Sherrills. Two of the ladies, whose names are withheld for security reasons, bet on Navy, and WON! It was only by a last minute vote, and a very slim margin, that they were allowed to drive home with their husbands instead of finding their way on the bus!"

Arch Colwell writes: "Your column in ASSEMBLY is the one link to our classmates, and I always look forward to reading it. The thought occurred to me that I might help a little, although I see so few fellow classmen. I am semi-retired (as of Aug 60) but still keep quite busy, and expect to go back to Europe in December. I have been out of circulation with a malignant throat, but repeated high-powered radiation has, we believe, corrected the condition. Last week saw the end of 26 treatments. I expect to be at our reunion in Jun 63, and am sending a copy of this letter, along with my check, to Badger. How I'd like to get together again (with my guitar) with Bob Coolidge (and his mandolin) and Shaler (and his steel guitar)! I saw Bob not too long ago; he told me that he plans to come to the reunion, too. I expect to be in Hong Kong in the spring and shall go to Macao to see Dzau. I hope that he will still be there. This winter I'm going to try to get to Washington for a class luncheon. Time marches on—my granddaughter was married last Saturday. My home address is the same: 2703 Cranlyn Road, Cleveland 22, Ohio; and my office address also remains the same: 23555 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland 17. If you learn of anyone who may pass through this way, please let me know."



Nov'18: The group of eleven classmates. Left to right, Back row, standing: Carter, Conrad, V.J., Shaler, Bixby, Mendenhall, Dickey, Gildart. Front row: Morrison, Carroll, Hesp, Slifer.

Fred Pearson contributes: "Had a nice letter from Bixby. He had run into Dzau; he ran into Linson when he was in China right after WWII. Bix was doing what he could to help Dzau and suggested possibly we might get up a class project on it. Duke Dunkelberg who demonstrated 44 years ago that he was quite a shot with the old Enfield rifle when with the gang at Benning fired for record by knocking out either 149 or 150 at rapid fire, still has that keen eye but he has laid aside firearms and now concentrates on golf. On the 130-yard No. 5 hole at Ft. Sam he sank his tee shot. He has a nice trophy to remind him of it. Have we got any other members of the Hole-In-One Club in the Class? If so, let it be known. John Fonvielle was in San Antonio recently on business. John and Connie are in excellent shape and said they had a wonderful trip east this summer and saw many classmates. They visited their son who is at school in Washington preparing for a career in the diplomatic corps. From there they went to John's old home in the Carolinas. Jim and Henrietta Freeman were here recently for one of Jim's periodic physical checkups, which he passed with flying colors.

He looks better than I have seen him since K-det days. They now have 11 grandchildren. Can anybody in the Class beat that number? Mike Jenkins wrote that he was at the Michigan game but didn't see any classmates there. He is in Pompano Beach, Fla., for the winter. That new golf course he had built down there is now complete, so if some of you par busters are in that area, try it out. Duke Dunkelberg gave me some clippings from the Louisville, Ky., papers of 12 Oct. They had pictures of Jim Kehoe who, after 50 years of yearning to study law, enrolled at the U. of Ky. as a freshman in law. Neither of the papers said anything about whether Jim was getting the usual freshman hazing, but maybe his gray hair and wrinkles are respected and he is not getting the usual paddlings of a freshman. More power to you, Jim; possibly in a few years we can call you "Judge" as well as "General." The Charley Moores had a fine visit with their daughter and family in Canada this summer, with the climate up there much more to their liking. Bernard Slifer has completely recovered from the accident he was in a year or so ago. I ran into Jo March at the PX. She said Andy was in excellent health, but his sight hasn't improved any."

As of 15 Dec, Christmas cards have come from the Badgers, Brimmers, Vidals, Williams, Wicks, McReynolds, and Jenkins. The Badgers report that the year has been a good one and they are well and happy. They took a short trip in the late summer to the Scandinavian countries and to Leningrad. As of November they have an even dozen grandchildren—that should take care of Pearson and the Freemans!

George and Lucy McReynolds will be in Maryland with George's mother over the holidays. They had planned to visit her for Thanksgiving, then go on a Farm Bureau cruise through the Caribbean. But George broke his arm in early November. This fall has kept them both busy with their lemon crop, George in the Republican party go-round; and Lucy with PRO & CON speeches and the League of Women Voters.

Tommy Aaron had a malignant lump removed from his throat 1 Dec. The doctors report a complete success. Tommy was home 10 Dec in time to give the bride, Jean, away at her marriage to Jack Tittle on 11 Dec. The Aarons live at The Diocesan House,



Nov'18: "The Disorganized Rabble". Left to right: Slifer, Hesp, Carroll, Gildart, (Conrad, VJ behind Gildart) Mendenhall, Shaler, Dickey.



Nov'18: Left to right: "Group of Seven" Morrison, Hesp, Carroll, Conrad, VJ, Mendenhall, Dickey, Shaler.

Queen Emma Square, Honolulu 13, Hawaii.

For those who comprehend Monkese, we conclude with this offer from B. A. Dickson, Ward 14A, Valley Forge Army Hospital, Phoenixville, Pa.: "A liter of genuine 1920 Speakeasy Air from the Onyx Club showed up in a routine X-ray and it panicked a new generation of thoracicists into heaving me into the Red Zone with a chorus of 'Unclean, unclean.' It is the unknown that terrifies, so I am trying to calm the inexperienced, explain bathtub gin and restore scientific calm. Now that the snow has fallen I am trapped in this Tibet, so I will see you in April. Harrison Shaler came by on an eastern flyer in November. If he would just dye his hair and mustache he could get himself into more trouble than Tommy Manville, but he pretends to be straight, at least when his sister Eleanor is around, and there is no evidence to the contrary. The Navy Game proved that West Point needs 1,800 more cadets. Also it needs an exclusive option on all the Pennsylvania Draft Boards' output. More pachyderms are needed for modern football and, taking a leaf from Hannibal, West Point needs a platoon of elephants to charge and trample the enemy array. You might get a penalty for unnecessary roughness but 11 fractured femurs finish any football formation for that Fall. I cannot report any news or gossip from the Great Outside World although I do have a gripe about candied news. These phony talks with the Russkies are always labeled 'Informative.' Why kid about any agreement with those who have no intention of keeping it? The little Demarche in Cuba gives enough of a reading on their kind intent."

May I remind everyone to make arrangements NOW to be at West Point for our 45th Reunion in Jun 63. It promises to be a gala occasion.

The 45th Reunion committee's letter announcing details for June Week 1963 should have reached you by now. Saturday, 1 Jun—check in at Alumni Hq; cocktails at The Squirrels at 1630 hours followed by the Superintendent's Dinner. Sunday, 2 Jun—Baccalaureate Services a.m.; class picnic 1700 hours. Monday, 3 Jun—Alumni exercises at Thayer Monument followed by lunch in Cadet Mess; simultaneously a ladies' lunch at Cullum Hall. Cost \$25 per man, \$15 per woman. Send checks to Brig. Gen. W. A. Holbrook, 1701 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington 6, D.C. Telephone 333-8535. (Note new address and business phone). Your com-

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mittee is: chairman, Holbrook; vice-chairman, Peckham, who will handle correspondence billeting, etc., from Hunk's business address—repeat—1701 Pennsylvania Ave., NW; Badger, dinner and photographs; Conrad, liquor and picnic.

Hunk has sold the apartment in The Westchester. They have decided not to move but will remain living at 5016 Loughborough Rd. Bill Wanamaker has moved from New Jersey to Latham Village Lane, Apt. B, Latham, N.Y.

Many Christmas cards have come from classmates all over the world—too many to list. The general message is "see you in June 1963 at the Reunion."

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Our cover story for this issue is the good news that Al Gruenther was discharged from Walter Reed at the end of November and will soon be representing the Class, and in a minor way The American Red Cross, on the banquet circuit. When his activities were temporarily halted last fall, Al had chalked up 87,000 miles of travel and 76 major

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.

speeches during 1962. Al's hospitalization was mentioned from time to time in the nation's press, but "now it can be told" that he had about two critical months in the hands of the Army's best surgeons. It all started on 20 Sep, when, following a Red Cross meeting in Detroit, Al was seized with intense back pains. He returned to Washington at once and entered Walter Reed. A preliminary diagnosis was pneumonia, but a later examination revealed blood clots in his lower right lungs. On 26 Sep Al had surgery to tie off the vena cava and stop the clotting. Then followed 6 weeks of recuperation during which Al was hanging on the ropes most of the time. He reports that every doctor who saw him during that time attempted to cheer him with the information that Ben Hogan, following his motor accident, had gone through the same experience—"and look at him now." Finally, exasperated, Al told one of the medicos that he was tired of hearing of Ben Hogan; the only person he was interested in at the moment was Ben Gruenther. From that time his recovery was rapid. He is now convalescing at the Grace Gruenther Nursing Home, 2720 35th Street, NW, Washington, where it is reported he is receiving TLC—to the uninitiated, Tender Loving Care.

Dorothy McNary, writing from 6730 East 21st Ave., Denver, has recently given some details on Mac's terminal illness and death last January. During World War II Mac contracted pneumonia in the ETO and was invalidated home. The pneumonia developed into tuberculosis and Mac was sent to Fitzsimons. When he was discharged, the doctors gave him not more than 2 years to live. About 5 years ago Mac developed heart complications, and death came to him in Parkview Hospital, Pueblo, where he and Dorothy had been spending the Christmas season with one of their four daughters. Mac is survived by eight grandchildren, six of them boys, from among whom Dorothy hopes there may be at least one kaydet to carry on Mac's high repu-



Nov'18: Classmates and wives. Left to right, Back row: V.J. Conrad, Carroll, Mary Carroll, Ruth Morrison, Dorothy Shaler, Virginia Dickey, Isabel Gildart, Hesp, Morrison, Dickey, Mendenhall, Andree Mendenhall, Carter, Gildart. Front row: Ruby Bixby, Murry Carter, Slifer, Shaler.

tation in the Army. Dorothy, an Army daughter, grew up with a number of the Class. It is gratifying to report that she has been able to receive veterans' compensation for Mac's service.

When I read recently that the Kilroy of "Kilroy Was Here" fame had died in Boston, I wrote our KAYDET telling him that I was sure no member of the Class ever saw his namesake's trademark without thinking of "the real Kilroy"; and that I was equally sure that every classmate reading of the GI Kilroy would wonder how our longlost Kilroy was doing. I asked him for a progress report. To date none has been received and I am afraid that we must carry the KAYDET AWOL, along with Hyland and Marsden. Any information on any of these elusive characters would be appreciated.

Tragedy struck the two sons of Swede Olson on the same day last autumn. Kenneth Jr. was killed in an automobile accident within hours of the crash of his brother Robert's jet plane in Tampa Bay. Robert was not seriously injured in the crash, but a crew member was killed.

For several years Syd Gould, as Dir, Internat'l Plant Index, has been working on the compilation of plant taxonomy, which I find in "Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language," 1953, means classification into phyla, species, etc. He has completed the first phase of his labors and recently published, under a grant of the National Science Foundation, sponsored by the N. Y. Botanical Garden and the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, the result of his labor, titled "Family Names in the Plant Kingdom." The work is of great importance to the field of botany, but excepting its title page is far beyond my comprehension, dealing as it does with tracheophyta, bryophyta, myxophyta, etc. Dr. William C. Steere, who as Dir of the N. Y. Botanical Garden should know all about such things, has this to say about the index: "This book represents the first step in a monumental project that will eventually see all the names of all plants of the world listed in an orderly manner. . . . Machines, once given accurate information, can reproduce its entire body of stored information, punched on thousands or even millions of cards. . . . new information can be interpolated at will and corrections made when necessary. . . . This volume opens new horizons for the botanist who for so long has had to dig out such data for himself in a reference library." Congratulations to Syd, and to Bea, for the distinction that this monumental work has brought to the Class.

Packy McFarland, in a letter to *The Arizona Republican* during the Cuban crisis expressed the opinion of many of us about the way Cuban affairs were being conducted. It is good to see that Packy maintains his aggressive spirit, and that the easy life of an Arizona winter resort has not dulled his interest in a multitude of activities.

Rosa Kerr's granddaughter and namesake, Rosalina Sussman, a senior at Wellesley, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, permitting her to share the society's secrets with Bartlett, Hartness, and Van de Graaff, and possibly others in the Class whose names escape me. Chapline, Holly, and Wyman attended the October meeting of the Assn of the US Army in Washington. Ferenbaugh is heading the drive of the Assn to establish an Army memorial museum in Philadelphia. Snodgrass appeared at a recent combined 1918 classes luncheon in Washington. He is still practicing law in Crossville, Tenn., and now that

beards are in he has lost his. Archie Cooley was far ahead of that beatnik trend. He sported a beaver in 1945. Bobbie and Whitey Gard visited the Scherers in Washington in November and brought news of the Class from the Texas hinterland. McGinley played, quite successfully, in the North-South Seniors at Pinehurst in November; and Ham Young had a golfing holiday in Bermuda about the same time.

The globetrotting Cooksons whose world tour was recently reported in these notes, and in an excellent article by Ruth in *The Retired Officer*, continued their travels last fall to visit their younger son, Charles, who is in the American Embassy in Rio. When they are at home Ruth and Cookie live in Clemson, S. C., and can probably give excellent advice to anyone contemplating space-available travel.

Following his second retirement some months ago, Palmer, who even surpassed the travels of Al Gruenther, has been tapering off by motoring around the country, and checking in from time to time from such places as Sill and Benning.

Dave McLean, our faithful Southern correspondent (and a snarl at our unfaithful correspondents in all other areas) reports that the classmates who moved south on retirement seem to spend most of their time traveling elsewhere, e.g., the Pierces flew to Israel in September to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Suhayl Shukry, who live in Haifa; the Keans went to Columbia, S.C., to visit their son and then on to Washington and New York to see their daughter and to attend the preview of "The Longest Day," where most of the D-Day commanders were present; the Fays went to Hawaii to see their daughter—and were sped off in style by the Vances; and the Zimmermans spent the summer at their place in Minnesota.

Add Pat Echols' name to your list of active Episcopal laymen. He has been elected to the vestry of his parish church in Charlottesville and is Junior Warden, as well. To demonstrate his religious zeal he has induced Nancy, a lifelong Presbyterian, to change her allegiance. She was recently confirmed in Pat's church. The Echols with their son, Pat Jr., and his wife came up from Charlottesville for the George Washington game. All the Eastern Shore people were there, too, the Lopers bringing the Freddie Dodges from Maine with them. Don Shingler was in charge of the arrangements for the buffet luncheon that the Washington West Point Society put on at the stadium preceding the game. He did his job so well that he has probably created a longtime soiree for himself.

The Fall Cocktail Party of the Washington contingent after the game was disappointing. Of a possible attendance of 88, only 28 appeared; and only the appearance of Syme and Waddell from out of town, and the fact that Barden, Cranston, and Wedemeyer brought paying guests kept the affair from being a complete flop. It was probably a mistake to try to compete with the numerous free parties being held at the same time; and the monthly stag luncheons of the combined classes that graduated in 1918 have caused interest in family class parties to approach the vanishing point. The Spring Cocktail Party has been cancelled and parties will not be resumed until called for "by popular demand," at which time the demander will take over.

Changes of address: Harbaugh to Apt. 634-B, The Westchester, 4000 Cathedral

Ave., N.W., Washington; Wyman, until 1 May 63, Apt. 248-B, same address (Palmer and Shingler live there, too); Speed, 4000 Mass. Ave. N. W., Washington.

Army and Navy Game; no comments, except that anyone who went probably wishes he had stood in bed.

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The Class extends heartiest congratulations to Charlie and Harty West on the completion of their active Army life occasioned by Charlie's retirement on 31 Oct 62. The fall issue of *ASSEMBLY* has covered excellently the salient features of the long service of this illustrious son of 1920. Surely no more beloved a pair than Harty and Charlie has ever left our active ranks.

Engineered by Ted Gillette and John McNulty, a 1920 cocktail dinner was tendered Harty and Charlie in their honor at Cullum Hall (presently the temporary location of the West Point Army Mess during its rehabilitation and expansion). The affair was attractively arranged in the south half of the main ballroom. The dinner tables, seating six at each one, were arranged in a star pattern. Lem Lemnitzer drove up from Honesdale, Pa., where he was momentarily on leave between his assignments as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and NATO Commander in Chief, for the affair. At the review for Charlie he awarded him the Legion of Merit. Present at the cocktail dinner party were: Bessell, Bullene, Chitterling, Cullum, Farrell, Gilbert, Gillette, Hasbrouck, Johnston, Lambert, Lanahan, Lemnitzer, McNulty, Partridge, Reiersen, Travis, Tully, and West, most of them accompanied by their wives.

Marie Parnly and her husband, Major E. Parnly, Inf, of the Tactical Dept, USCC, daughter and son-in-law of the Wests, and Mary Jacunski (wife of Edward W. Jacunski '38), sister of Harty, also were present as guests.

A formal dinner commemorating the retirement of Charlie West was held at the Hotel Thayer, West Point, on the evening of 25 Oct. This was attended by the entire Academic Board with their wives. Featured were speeches by the Superintendent, Major General W. C. Westmoreland, the Dean, Brigadier General W. W. Bessell, Jr., and a response by Charlie West, in which in retrospect he touched on the highlights of his service at West Point and in humorous vein presaged his coming life in retirement. A skit entitled, "The Arrest Of West," with the parts played by USMA professors, and songs sung by another group of professors calling themselves the "Bellowing Barrister," completed the program.

On 31 Oct, the last day of Charlie's active service, the Superintendent gathered the entire Academic Board and the Law Department at USMA with their wives in the Faculty Lounge. He then directed the Adjutant General to read the official retirement order, following which he assisted Harty in pinning on Charlie's stars depicting his retired rank. Humor was added when the Supe brought forth a redcarpeted stool designed to provide sufficient height for Harty to accomplish her mission. As a very fitting conclusion, the Supe presented Harty with a miniature silver star to wear as her own.

Harty and Charlie plan to settle in Gainesville, Fla., shortly after Christmas.

We also salute George Honnen who re-

tired from the Citadel, Charleston, S. C., on 16 Nov, his 65th birthday. George reported to the Citadel in April 1958 and has served as Administrative Dean of the College under Gen. Mark W. Clark since that time. George and Helen will reside at 70 King St., Charleston, S. C. The *Brigadier*, the Citadel school paper, printed the following fine editorial on George.

**"THE CITADEL'S LOSS**—On 16 Nov Maj. Gen. George Honnen will retire from the Citadel. The loss to the college is great. For 4½ years Gen. Honnen has made a significant contribution to the efficient administration of the school. He has initiated several practices that have resulted in many savings.

But more important, the Corps has seen a fine gentleman and an outstanding soldier adopt our fine old southern military college as his second Alma Mater. Gen. and Mrs. Honnen have been firm supporters of the athletic teams, and the cadets who have known the Honnens recognize their warmth and their interest in our Corps. They will be missed."

An excellent write-up and picture of Fritz Cross has been received showing him awarding the Freedom Foundation Award (The George Washington Honor Medal) for the furtherance of Americanism to three Nashvillians. Fritz is a volunteer worker for this foundation and represents six southern states.

Ted Gillette writes that his son Bud is on the list for promotion to major. Congratulations! Also, son Mike has returned from Oxford where he received a "second" in the list of honors. Mike is now at Ft. Belvoir for a refresher course and then to Ft. Lewis for station. He is engaged to Miss Felicity Jones, daughter of Professor and Mrs. Jones of Oxford, England.

Word has been received from Red Lynch of the marriage of his son, 1st Lt. Richard T. Lynch '58, to Miss Nancy Elizabeth Blakefield, daughter of Col. William H. Blakefield at the Old Post Chapel, Ft. Leavenworth, on 13 Oct. Lt. Lynch is presently aide to the C G Ft. Leavenworth. Red and Julita were present for the ceremony.



1920: Horty and Charlie West with Bill Bessell and friends.

Bill and Lillian Bessell took a trip by air to the West Coast in July. Bill attended the annual conference of Academic Deans at Okla. State U., and also visited Army installations at Ft. MacArthur, Point Mugu, Ft. Ord, and Ft. Lewis, as well as the colleges of USC, Cal Tech, UCLA, and UC of Santa Barbara. They had a fine call with Lois and Wilson B. (Higgie) Higgins at their beautiful Palo Verdes Estate home, located on a hillside overlooking the Pacific. Also calls were made on the Leehey's and George Bare in the Seattle area. At Carmel, they visited with Frances and Larry Schick and report them most happy in their new retirement home. Larry made a trip east to West Point this summer to act as consultant on the new library at the Academy.

Claude and Ruth MacQuarrie of Crystal River, Fla., visited us for the weekend after

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Thanksgiving. Saturday eve, we were joined for dinner by Bill and Margaret Crist of Bradenton, and Loper and Ann Lowry from Tampa. We are going to watch the Army-Navy game at the home of William Wallace (Henry) Ford and Alice at Temple Terrace, Tampa. Henry is a lecturer in Math at the new U. of South Florida.

Clovis Byers, who is now VP of General Telephone and Electronics Corp with his office in Washington, D. C., was in Tampa on 30 Oct and made an excellent talk to the Tampa Rotary Club. Sorry to have missed you, Clovis.

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According to a newspaper report of early November, police in Ozark, Ala., noting a lack of movement around a residence in that town, investigated and found all the members of the Dowling family dead. The wife had been shot in the chest and neck, the daughter and Jerre each in the temple. A pistol lay on the floor near Jerre. There was no sign of forcible entry into the house.

Milo and Martie Cary are living in Cortland, N. Y., and having fun playing the part of grandparents to their five grandchildren there.

Mark McClure has said that mention should be made here of the party at John Uncles' house the night before the Army-George Washington football game. Mention is hereby made, but no details have been furnished.

The beautiful weather of 27 Oct found quite a few Orioles in evidence at the D C Stadium for the George Washington game. Equally fine weather found fewer and perhaps bolder individuals at the Navy Game, including Branham, Douglass, Johnson RH, Lawton, Stout, and Barrett. Also Bev Kane, though Frank had found it inexpedient to make such a trip at such a time. All indications are, however, that Frank has been making good progress since the events of last June.

Photographs made at West Point June Week were mailed to all members of the Class. The only ones returned as undeliverable were those addressed to Rumaggi. Can anyone help out with his address?

Happy 1963 to all of you.

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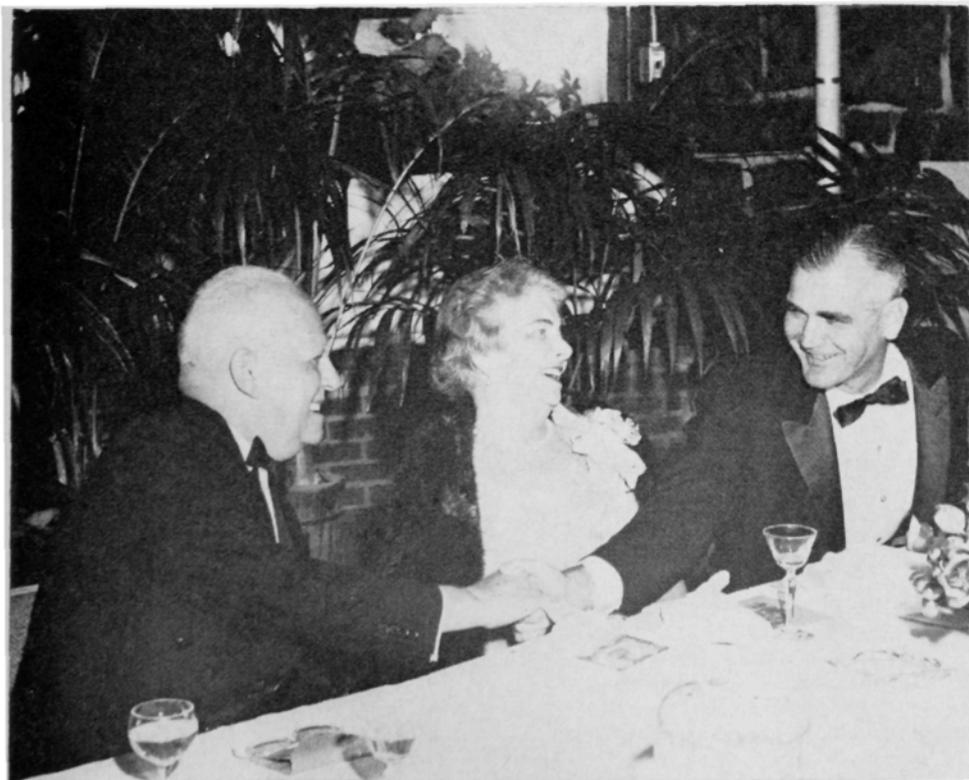
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REUNION

Due to fine work by Pete Leone with some help from the Washington end, the following plans for the 40th Reunion are being firmed up.

Saturday: Pete and Caroline Leone have invited all classmates and their wives to a cocktail party at their home on Blueberry Hill in the afternoon. That evening the Superintendents' reception and dinner takes place at Washington Hall.

Sunday: Class Dinner Dance at the offi-



1920: Charlie and Horty West with the Superintendent at dinner commemorating the Wests' retirement, 31 Oct 62.

cers Mess at Stewart Field. We could not get the Mess on Monday so this affair has been moved to Sunday. We feel that this was the right decision because the Stewart facility is far superior to any other arrangement we could have made.

Monday: Class Picnic at either Round Pond or the new West Point golf course house. Final arrangements cannot be made until the Classes draw for various post facilities, some time in February. We are well up on the list so there should be no difficulty. Your committee favors the golf course house because it is exceptionally attractive.

We have definitely obtained 30 rooms at the spanning new Holiday Inn on the western outskirts of Newburgh, near Stewart Field.

We are informing you of the above plans through ASSEMBLY so you can make your tentative arrangements for next June. We will send you detailed information in February, with a questionnaire through which you can definitively advise us of your intentions. At that time you will be asked to send a deposit to cover initial payments toward dinners and to reserve space at the Holiday Inn.

Continuing indications from various ones of you that you will attend have helped us in our planning. We hope such indications will continue to come in. Since this is probably the most significant of the quinquennial (there is such a word) affairs, we trust you will make special efforts to get to this one and to reply to our bulletin. Be sure to include the little lady in your planning.

—Ted Osborne, chairman,  
Reunion Committee.

#### DELIGHT

According to Harry Scheetz, the following attended the Homecoming Game and ceremonies: Chambers, Grombach, Hanson, Harriman, Haskell, Holcomb, Leone, Phillips with daughter and son-in-law, Scheetz, Smith GS with two children and spouses, Tredennick, and White, JH who had flown in from California. Harry reports that it was a stirring game to watch. There is no doubt that a wave of delight at the brilliant victory over mighty Penn State swept over all of us.

#### DOUBT

One of the better military weekends occurred here in Washington in connection with the George Washington game. The local West Point Society arranged to have the USMA Band and Cadet Glee Club give a concert on Friday evening in Constitution Hall. The Club and Band did themselves and the Academy very proud indeed. Those of us who used to warble in the choir were amazed by the fine singing the Glee Club produced. The USMA Band was as always, tops. The Society also arranged a buffet lunch at the Grandstand Managers Club in the Stadium before the game. This provided a chance for grads to meet up with contemporaries and other Service acquaintances under pleasant and convivial circumstances.

Our Class was seated as high in the stands as one can get. We had a good view of the field but the range bothered some of us with non-so-potent peepers.

The Washington Group of '23 had arranged for a buffet supper at Arlington Hall after the game. Most of those who attended the game showed up for the occasion and seemed to enjoy the affair. So far as I can gather the following were present for the game: the Adamses, Bromleys, Carnes, Dulaneys, the Despinosas with their daughter, Jim Early, the Enslows from Staunton, Va., the Frys, Don Galloway, the Gunns, Kehms,

Kings (BR and JC), the Leones, Mahoneys, Moodys, Roths from Erie, Pa., the Salsmans, Harry Scheetz from Philadelphia, the Smiths, J, the Shafers, the Timbermans with their son and Virginia's sister, the Torrences, the Tredennicks from Reading, Pa., the Towles, and the Weikerts. All of us were glad to get a look at the team under the new regime but there were many gnawing doubts that a team that played the way Army did that day could beat Navy.

#### DENOUEMENT

From Scheetz and other reliable sources, I gather that we had 13 classmates present on the sad day at Philadelphia; they were Dwyer, Enslow, Fry, Grombach, Harriman, Howell, King, JC, Krueger, Morse, Phillips, Serig, Scheetz, and Tredennick. Cunkle was represented by his daughter, Mrs. Martha Hildreth of Wittown, N.J., according to Harry.

#### NEWS FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Fritz reports that at an informal dinner discussing the formation of a West Point Society in his area, he saw Bill Lucas who was in Milwaukee visiting Bill Jr. who works as an engineer with AC Spark Plg Co. In a later note Fritz says the West Point Society has become a going concern. I'm sure Fritz gave it some of the essential steam. In a TV interview before the Navy Game, Fritz let his loyalty get away with him and predicted Army by two touchdowns.

Fritz always asks that I extend his greetings to you. In recent letters he adds his hopes that you will make the 40th a must in your program for next summer. He feels that there is more of the Reunion spirit when classmates stay in Barracks for the occasion.

He has had warm letters of appreciation for expressions of sympathy by the Class in the recent bereavements among us.

#### ANOTHER LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD

The summer issue of *The Shield*, the NYMA Alumni Bulletin, reports that Pete Leone is the new Dir of Alumni Affairs. Additional duties put our boy in the fund-raising business with a goal of some half-million dollars for a new science building and a faculty fund. The issue carries a splendid picture of our man. Pete's experience in doing so much for class activities may serve him well. We hope he can continue to give the important support for our Class at West Point, which the first item in this column mentions.

#### SAD NOTE

Vera Ridings died on 31 Oct and was buried in the Golden Gate National Cemetery on 5 Nov. The group of classmates in the San Francisco area sent flowers and a number were present for the services. Fritz has written to Gene on our behalf.

#### MISCELLANY

Lord sent in the following "situation report" from California:

"Since retiring actively from the Glen Alden Corporation . . . I have become a business consultant primarily engaged in the analysis of corporations prior to merger operations. This has been extremely interesting work and has given me the freedom of action that I enjoy. Recently, due to the sickness of a friend, I took over as managing director of the La Quinta operations near Palm Springs. These consist of an attractive hotel, one of the finest of the golf courses in the desert, and the development for housing of about 1,000 acres of land. . . .

"Not long from now Warren Towle is to be in the desert and I have arranged to play golf with him. He comes with a top management group from Northrop who spend a few days here in executive meetings.

"Lyl Rosenberg has bought an additional house at Oceanside and spends several months a year there on the beach. He is still domiciled in San Mareno and has a lovely place there. Louise is well and all the children and grandchildren of the family are getting along fine.

"Dave and Kay Dunn still live in Carlsbad and we see them from time to time. Both are well involved in civic activities and Dave makes a fine contribution in the field of education. His golf game is about as good as mine, that means up from 87 and down from 95."

Correspondent's note: Towle tells me they never got to play the golf but did have a few drinks. He says Roy has a fine set-up. Woggy also saw Timberlake who is also with Northrop.

Sasse was in Washington in the latter part of November for an ear examination at Walter Reed. He is head of physics instruction at New Utrecht High School and seems to be thriving on the job; very few gray hairs and not a sign of a gaunt and haggard look. He has one son who is an electrical engineer, a daughter in college, and a second son in high school. He sends greetings to all of you.

Newman has moved from New Jersey to Clearwater, Fla.—1569 Oak Lane is his temporary address.

Grombach took the US Modern Pentathlon team to Mexico for the championship meet. Since USMA has given up riding and fencing, there were no USMA graduates on the team. The team wound up third, behind Russia and Hungary, because of a poor showing in running, according to Frenchy. He says he had quite a time, including a narrow escape from drowning in the placid Pacific!

Serff notes that he is the only member of the Class at Columbus, Ga., so near Benning where many of us . . . "spent part of our misspent youth." Life has not been too dull for B-Food; listen!

"Flew to Europe this spring to visit our daughter and son-in-law, Capt. and Mrs. Roy E. Lundquist, Jr., in Germany. My son, recently graduated from Ga. Tech, is now in the Army as a 2d Lt of Ordnance. I just returned from Chicago and Wisconsin after a Div reunion in the Windy City and some hunting in the Dairy State. Saw Johnson HC during the summer on a trip to Florida.

"Keep busy with real estate and as an organizer and director of the National Bank of Ft. Benning. Golf, fishing, and hunting take up what spare time is left."

Stern reports that he is now in his 6th year of teaching rudimentary math at Omaha U. Judging from the reports of some commentators on our educational system, Ben may be one of the few people in the country engaged in that ancient and honorable art.

Krueger, who now lives in Harrisburg, Pa., has acquired property in Hampton, Va., according to Harry Scheetz, and plans to build a home there for his future CP. Hampton is Jean's home podunk.

Guevara and his wife Carmen are having a fine time in the Philippines. According to their daughter-in-law, they may be there at least a year. Their address: #1 Calabash Rd., Sampaloc, Manila, P.I.

Despinosa retired from Chrysler some time ago and did a bit of traveling before settling down at 703 Carper St., McLean, Va., One of their daughters works here in Washington,

the married daughter is living in Westport, Conn.

**Pierce** has moved to San Francisco from Yuba City. He plans to continue to manage the pecan ranch but spend most of his time in the big city at 355 Serrano Dr., Apt 7H, San Francisco 27, Calif.

**Binns** has, as the Irish say, "changed house." He is now at 195 Yerba Buena, San Francisco 27, Calif.

**Johnson** WG is on an extended job with refugees in Florida. The Johnsons still have a house here, but their current address is 4085 Bonita Ave., Miami 33, Fla.

Through the efforts of our son, Richard, who is with Mohawk Airlines, Mary and I were able to make a quick trip to San Francisco in November on rather short notice. Our daughter Mary Katherine, a stewardess with PanAm is based there. We took advantage of her car and got to see a bit of the country outside of San Francisco. We had a delightful visit with Virginia Post and her mother at Pebble Beach. You will all be glad to know that Virginia is making a good recovery from a rather extended siege of illness. Her splendid spirit is dampened a bit by the fact that she feels she must give up their lovely home because it is quite a chore to manage a home in the Pebble Beach community. We missed the **Endertons** at San Jose because they were in Europe, but did have fine visits with the **Peseks** at Los Altos and the **Pinky Palmers** at Los Gatos. Both places are near San Jose. At Sacramento we had an interesting day with Einar and Genevieve **Cjelsteen**. Einar is operating some properties there and had a fling at participating in political campaigning on behalf of Nixon. Palmer is giving his time and ability to Good Will Industries by repairing TV and radio sets for them free of cost. Mark Pesek is a key cog in the engineer offices of his hometown.

In San Francisco we had enjoyable evenings with the **Harmonys**. Because our stay was short and the trip planned rather hurriedly, we could not get in touch with the many people we had hoped to see. We had telephone talks with **Price**, **Binns**, and **Garrecht** but missed on calls to several others. In a letter responding to a note of mine, **Tudor** tells me that he had another trip to

the Far East last September and that his company, Tudor Engineering, joint-ventured with two other firms, will do all the engineering for the Bay Area rapid transit system which was approved in the recent elections. This is no small potatoes, men!

#### IT'S AN ILL WIND...

That good and interesting things often come from sad news, was illustrated when I had a letter from Paul F. **Laning** ex-'23 of Sandusky, Ohio! He wrote after reading about the death of **Jefferies** in a recent ASSEMBLY. Paul tells his story better than I can paraphrase it.

"I knew **Jefferies** rather well in prep schools days at Marion Institute... I knew several other men in the same USMA company (who had been to Marion)—**Graling** and **Granberry**....

"I've been a civilian ever since 1920, the year I was 'found.' I went to Cornell after West Point and graduated in 1924. I had 8 years of railroad experience before starting to teach in 1933. Of my 30 year's teaching service, I've had 25 in this community. Six of my pupils have graduated from the Service schools; two from Annapolis, one from Air Force, and three—I'm happy to say—from West Point.

"I completed my work for an MA at Ohio State in history in '38 and do quite a bit of research, when I have the time, on railroad history and also on American Colonial history. I am also a music fan with 'hi-fi' equipment. I'm especially fond of the old masters who wrote oratorios, concertos, symphonies, and particularly music for string quartets.

"Could you, by any chance, give me the name of the classmate who wrote the note about **Jefferies**? (I did, It was **Gettys**)... Unfortunately for me the USMA reunions occur at the same time our school closes here. I should certainly enjoy renewing acquaintances.

"I've been married 34 years; have one daughter and two fine grandchildren..."

#### MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

The deadline for this issue occurred just as the Christmas cards began to arrive. A

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.

goodly number come to me each year as a means of greeting you. From the number of cases in which classmates urge me to tell anyone visiting in their vicinity to look them up, I come to the happy conclusion that the Class of 1923 is an hospitable bunch and that's as it should be! On behalf of each of you I send the greeting at the head of this paragraph to you all.

BE SEEING YOU AT REUNION!

'24

Maj. Gen. Robert V. Lee  
2556 N. Vermont St.  
Arlington 7, Va.

The annual meeting of the Class, followed by a buffet supper, was held at the A-N Club in Washington on 27 Oct with over 100 present. In addition to 39 classmates and their wives from the greater Washington area, J.C.L. and Alberta **Adams** came from Honduras; **Clark Bailey**, **Bill** and **Marge Bender**, **Harry Davis**, **Marrow Sorley**, and **Art** and **Helen Trudeau** from Pennsylvania; **Em** and **Louise Cummings**, **Les** and **Marie Simon**, and **Al Stubblebine** from Florida; **Howard Kessinger** from Wisconsin; **D. D.** and **Gay Martin**, and **Hap** and **Henrietta Palmer** from Michigan; **Peyton McLamb**, **George** and **Mary O'Neill**, **George** and **Ruth Pence**, and **Tad** and **Margaret Tasker** from New Jersey; **Ray** and **Peg Raymond** from Illinois; **Mary Robinson** from New York; and **John Archer Stewart** from California.

**Dan** and **Virginia Hundley** made a 2-month trip through Europe this past summer. Their son **Douglas** made a similar trip with a younger group. They had a visit with **Jim** and **Mildred Moore** while in Paris. **Jim** is CofS at SHAPE and is the only member of the Thundering Herd still on active duty.

**Em** and **Louise Cummings** have settled on Harbor Bluffs, Largo, Fla., as their place of retirement. They came up from Florida in a newly purchased 30-foot Chris Craft and headed back after the annual meeting, making Clearwater after 3 weeks of generally bad weather. They are now in the throes of building a house.

The class contingent at West Point for Homecoming and the Penn State game were **Tad** and **Margaret Tasker**, **Pat Pasolli**, **George** and **Mary Duerr**, **Gerry Sullivan**, **Bill** and **Georgia Richardson**, **Pete** and **Bobbie Lee**, **Zar** and **Dorethe Parmly**, **Charlie** and **Mair Stevenson**, the **Grimms**, the **Mark Smiths**, **Ewing** and **Helen France**, the **Samouces**, **Wally** and **Dot Merrill**, **Jimmy Willis**, **Bob Finlay**, and **Benny Leonard**. I heard that **Denis Mulligan** was there, but we did not see him.

**John Archer Stewart** took the longest trip to be at the class annual meeting, and it was good to see him again. At a visit to Letterman Hospital recently, he saw **George Young**, who had been hospitalized for about 2 months with a heart condition. **George** expected to be released in about 3 more weeks, but will be limited in his activities.

**John Ramsey** died at his home in San Antonio on 6 Nov of heart trouble and was buried in the Ft. Sam Houston cemetery. **John** had been having trouble for some time and had left the hospital just a month before



1924: Capt. Edward H. White II, Class of 1952. Mary and Eddie White, '24. Picture taken at Cape Canaveral Cape Colony Inn. Captain White is one of nine new astronauts selected for the Apollo moon shot program.

he died. Henry Kiel died of a heart attack at an Army installation near his home in State College, Pa., on 20 Nov. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. Ten classmates served as honorary pallbearers. Frances Andrews (Mrs. E. L.) died in October. Andy has moved and we do not know where he is at present. I am sure all join me in extending our deepest sympathy to the families.

Bill Bugher has moved from Knoxville, Tenn., to Sun City Center, Fla. He says there was no compelling reason for the move except the twilight appeal of Del Webb's "active retirement" pitch. We understand that Dick Stephens has also bought a home there, where he will live part of the year.

Herb Vogel, now a consulting engineer in Knoxville, as an extracurricular activity has accepted the presidency of the Tennessee River and Tributaries Association.

Zar Parmly is teaching a 15-week course in the preparation of manuals as a form of technical writing at the U. of Bridgeport (Conn.). Zar has also authored a textbook on technical manuals to be published early next year. He reports that they were presented with their 11th grandchild last July. Speaking of grandchildren, Tom Allen reports that they now have 17, with another expected in March.

Charlie Stevenson recently retired as Adj Gen of New York State and Vice CofS to the Governor. At a retirement review in the old 14th Regiment armory in Brooklyn, he was presented with the New York State Conspicuous Service Medal. Earlier in the day, Governor Rockefeller announced Charlie's promotion to Maj Gen on the state retired list. Acting as aide to Charlie at the review was Captain John Smythe '53, son of Georgie and Susie.

It looks like the Herd may gain further distinction by putting the first man on the moon. Captain Edward H. White, II '52, son of Eddie and Mary, is one of the new astronauts on the US space team. He is the first and only son of a West Pointer on the team, and the only one of the group who is the son of a career soldier. He graduated No. 1 in physical aptitude in 1952, held several Academy track records, and was on the inter-collegiate championship soccer team. We'll all watch for him in 1965-66.

Hardy Dillard is now a visiting professor at Columbia. He recently served on the Secretary of Defense's Committee on Non-Military Instruction in the Armed Forces. With Hardy on the committee were outstanding military men, educators, and industrialists.

Sam Strohecker is very active in behalf of West Point, being chairman of the Admissions Committee for the West Point Society of Seattle. This is a most worthwhile effort to get our fair share of outstanding high school graduates each year. Some day when he retires from Du Pont, Sam wants to come East and visit West Point again (in the football season, of course).

Red Trew has retired from Federal Electric and has rented a house in St. Petersburg, Fla., for a year while finally deciding on their retirement location. According to Red, the health and morale of the family are already improved.

The engagement has been announced of Lt. Raymond T. Beurket '59 and Mary Patricia McMillan of Dayton, Ohio. A January wedding is planned. The prospective bridegroom attends the AF Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson AFB.

At a recent party given by Charlie and

Daisy Royce, Jim Hulley and Miss Geraldine W. Barry surprised those present by announcing their coming marriage in January. Miss Barry is a former Lt Col, WAC.

Sam and Erica Samouce left on 3 Dec for a 3-month visit to the West Coast. They expect to see relatives and friends in California and perhaps take a side trip to Hawaii. Needless to say, they also plan to see many classmates on their journeys.

# '25

Col. Vincent J. Esposito  
Dept. of MA&E  
West Point, N. Y.

Daddy Dunn's winter quarterly will reach you long before this issue of ASSEMBLY does, so these notes are restricted to events at USMA and items that have come directly to our attention. As usual, there is very little to report.

Homecoming Game is becoming quite an event. The number of returning alumni increases yearly and there is a highly festive atmosphere about the place. The weather was perfect and the game—the only defeat suffered by Penn State this year—was a classic. The team's performance was perfection itself and it raised high—but, alas, futile—hopes that this was the year Navy would really be sunk. Our own visiting contingent was small. A brief chat with Charlie Saltzman, Bill Nutter, and Daddy Dunn, and a hasty hand wave to Mutt Crandall as he passed by in a car tell the story.

A note from Agnes Toms bemoans the depletion of the '25 contingent in Europe. Hank Westphalinger and Milt Hankins apparently comprise the remaining garrison. Ray is retired and working as a civil engineer with the US Air Force in England. A press clipping announces Gerry Galloway's appointment as deputy public works commissioner for Nassau County (N.Y.). Gerry retired last May. We add the sad information that Stan Babcock's brother Charles passed away on 23 Nov at St. Albans Hospital, and was buried at Arlington National Cemetery. Ed Garbisch was key speaker at the pre-Navy Game rally in the cadet mess hall; did a fine job.

When you come for our 40th Reunion, you will see the new library building and expanded Officer's Mess completed and in operation. They will be great improvements. Right now, they are in the form of skeleton steel structures, and the sight of steel "monkeys" scampering over the exposed beams in zero weather makes me believe that this is one branch of labor that really earns its keep. With all this construction going on and fleets of concrete and materials delivery trucks jamming the roads, frequently there is only one roundabout narrow lane open to Thayer Hall, our principle academic building. I await with confidence the time when, by some snafu, this sole route of entry will be blocked off, and we will have to go to the office by helicopter. There is before the Congress a bill to equalize the strengths of the several Academies at something over 4,000 (we are now authorized about 2,500). Few realize that a major factor in USNA's dominance on the athletic field is its 60% greater strength than USMA. This equalization should put us on a more level footing. We are busily engaged with plans for expansion of facilities to accommodate this great increase. With the river at our door, mountains to our rear, and the prohibitive cost of rock excavation, such planning is not easy.

Some time back, I concluded that when

my work and hobbies and extra-curricular activities began to conflict, one or the other would have to be dropped. This time is rapidly approaching, so I have decided to retire next summer and devote my full attention to the more relaxing things in life. We have already purchased a home in Milford, Del., only 8 miles from our summer cottage on Delaware Bay, which we have occupied for years during our free time. Nick Nicholas will then inherit sole responsibility for these notes, unless he can coerce our honorary classmate and Professor and Head of Department of English, Russ Alspach, into participating in the venture.

# '26

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

With much sadness I must report the death of Irving (Red) Duffy's wife Frances on 28 Oct 62, at her home in Birmingham, Mich. She was the daughter of Col. Frank Hopkins, Arty, USA. Our sincere sympathy and heartfelt condolences are extended to Red and his son, Dr. Frank H. Duffy. Red is now vice president of the General Products Division, Ford Motor Co.

Ed McDaniel reports a good visit with Bill Baker in Heidelberg during Ed's recent inspection visit to Europe. Bill is C/S, USAREUR.

Jack Ryan, CG Sixth Army, was in Washington the first week in December for the Secretary of the Army's conference with Army Commanders and Civilian Aides. Jack took in the late lamented Army-Navy game before returning to the Far West.

A note from Bob Ross, 2920 North East 24th Court, Pompano Beach, Fla., enclosed a newspaper article describing his vacation trip, with his 9-year-old son Bill, to Washington, New York, and West Point during September. It included a picture of Bob and Bill visiting Florida Congressman Paul Rogers while they were in Washington; unfortunately it cannot be reproduced. Bob, an executive with the Milton Weir Real Estate Co., specializes in shopping center developments. He also reported that Dick Mayo is now teaching high school mathematics at Lake Worth, Fla.

Ken McNaughton writes of a busy weekend with Maurice (Greasy) Condon, up from Clearwater, Fla. It included attending the Army-GW game here in Washington, then, after a cocktail party at Walt Stanton's, catching a late train to New York, where they saw the Redskin-Giant game on Sunday with the Clearwater Touchdown Club. Ken reports Greasy's durability and poker playing proficiency unimpaired by age, and that he (Ken) returned to Washington "bushed and broke." Ken is an executive with Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp. He and Beth spent a pre-Christmas vacation with Maurice and Ruth in Clearwater.

Pick and Ada Collins are currently (Dec) vacationing in Mexico.

Freddy and Elsie Munson, 4436 Sedgewick St., N.W., Wash. 16, D.C., attended the Army-GW game and report seeing Bill and Franny Ennis, Red and Virginia Corderman, Tommy DeShazo, Walt and Louisa Stanton, Pick and Ada Collins, Ken and Beth McNaughton, Greasy Condon, Herb and Rosa Ehr Gott, and Bill and Eleanor Walker. Since the class seating was quite scattered, Freddy fears he may have missed some. He also mentioned receiving a phone call from Jimmy Van Horne last summer while Jimmy and

Mary were back from Europe, for a few months, to visit relatives and see the Seattle Fair. The Munsons also have recently received two cards from them, one from Cairo and one from Johannesburg (Mary's home area). Jimmy is presently located in Geneva with the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration but plans to return to the USA next spring.

Don Booth writes, in a September letter, that he and Ro are well and happily settled in Santa Barbara, Calif. (1377 School House Road). He told of visits by Vald and Evelyn Heiberg and Johnny and Kay McFarland during the past summer.

An October note from Earl and Gen Murphy told of their move from Los Angeles to the SF Bay area. Their new address is 36 Corte Morada, Greenbrae, Calif., which Earl said is about a half-block from Bob and Biggy Nourse. Earl enclosed a clipping from the 1 Oct 62 issue of *The Los Angeles Herald Examiner* which writes up Lyman Munson and his new life on a Wyoming ranch at the foot of the Big Horn Mtns. (Flying W Ranch, Wolf, Wyo.). Lyman runs the ranch and helps Mrs. Munson in her expanding business venture—a shop where she offers 82 different varieties of homemade jellies, preserves, marmalades, pickles, chutneys, and 32 different sewing products, all of her own creation.

A November letter from John (Red) McFarland, 518 Foster Ave., Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, speaks of his attendance at the Inter-American University, Saltillo, Mexico, last summer, to improve his Spanish. On the way south, he and Kay stopped in on Ralph and Kathleen Osborne, at Ft. Sam Houston, to drink a toast to the Class on our 36th graduation anniversary. John proudly announced that son Tony (2d Lt., RA) and wife, stationed in Germany, had made him a grandfather. It's a girl.

Received, from Assn. of Grads., an editorial clipped from the Newport, N. H., *Argus Champion*, 15 Jun 61, which was most laudatory of the manner and methods of Al Heidner as Newport town manager. Written 5 months after Al assumed the office, the item praised his competence, organizational ability, and financial acumen. A recent note from Al's wife Lou (90 Laurel St.), tells of seeing Skinny and Wave Ringler, Charlie Martin, John Harvey Kane, and Ankenbrandt at the last Homecoming Game. She mentioned that daughter Betty and family are in Durham, N. C., where husband works at Duke, while their youngest, Carolyn, is a secretary at Dartmouth. Lou cordially invites any classmates penetrating as far north as New Hampshire, to stop in.

Paul Black and wife left Washington in Oct for Palo Alto, Calif., where Paul is (by now) a graduate student in political science at Stanford U.

A Xmas card from Marve and Ted Peck (513 Boland St., Sparta, Ga.) brought news that Marve suffered a broken right leg in May, and Ted had major surgery the same month. Then in October, Ted had a cataract operation. They are departing on a Mediterranean cruise on 29 Jan 63.

John P. (Trooper) Doyle departed on a business trip to Africa on 12 Oct 62. Upon his return in about 2 months he will occupy the MacDonald Chair, professor of transportation, at Texas A & M College.

In closing I wish to express on behalf of the Class, and especially for myself, our appreciation of the fine job done by Duncan Sin-

clair as Secretary, Assn. of Grads., and Editor, ASSEMBLY. His generous cooperation and helpful notes have been of great assistance. We hope sincerely that his retirement years are many, and that all of them are healthy, successful, and happy ones.

'27

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

We can start with some good medical news. Bill Verbeck had a most successful series of treatments at Walter Reed, being released after about a month, and resuming command of Ft. Devens and the XIII Corps on 26 Nov. Shortly after Bill broke in, but after the ASSEMBLY notes had gone forward, Willis Matthews came down to Walter Reed for overhaul. He too was soon returned to duty, had a "flareup," came back to the hospital, but at deadline for these notes had again departed. So both have shown us all how to do a hospital tour.

The note on Willis Matthews reminds that two more of the Class will have been retired before you read this column. Willis will have had his farewell to arms at Governors Island on 14 Dec per schedule. The new address for Willis and Jean is 219 E. 69th St., New York 21, N. Y. Preceding Willis by some 14 days was Trap Trapnell. Many may have noticed him, looking as slim and trim as ever, as pictured in the *Journal-Register* upon the occasion of his receipt of the DSM from the CS, Gen. Wheeler. To both of these, a toast to what they have done so well for so long and to what they will doubtless do so well in the pasture years ahead!

As too frequently happens in life, the next news is to confirm sadly the fact that our Duke Gilbreth has joined the Long Gray Line. Duke, a loyal member of the San Antone group of Graybeal, Griffith, Kaylor, Nelson, Lepping, Mike Williams, and Cy Williams, died suddenly at Brooke GH, Ft. Sam Houston, 28 Nov. Von Kaylor thoughtfully forwarded report of the shocking loss. With full military honors, Duke was buried in San Antonio. The Sympathy of the Class is extended to all who survive him—to his mother, to his widow Leona, and to the two sons, Capt. Lee E. Gilbreth, Ordnance, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, and Kenneth A. Gilbreth, Los Angeles.

No issue would be complete without word of the Florida McKinneys. Harry has had a long and painful siege of wheelchairs resulting from a bad fall in August. He fell in a bathroom, across the tub, crushing a spinal disc, and laying himself up for many painful weeks. Pain notwithstanding, and that must have been distressing enough, the immobility of wheelchair and "walker" to one of Mac's energy and restlessness must have been most depressing. And what of devoted Helen?—all reports are that she has "held up" very well under the added household burden. Also, as a sidenote, Mac forwarded a most impressive news story—"local-resident" type—from the *Lake Wales News*, a really well-done article of the man McKinney and his achievements—military, commercial, and civil. Clearly Lake Wales thinks a lot of our boy! Also mentioned was Buck Wiley ex-'27 of 19 Sunset Bay Drive, Largo, Fla. (Mac also added a boasting postscript: "I weigh 155!! Helen 114!!!!") So perhaps, fall or no fall, it is an ill wind!

By way of Woody Burgess, our Bob Brolin ex-'27, out Illinois way, sent in some color-

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ful material prepared by the Rockford Chamber of Commerce for its Civic Recognition Dinner in honor of Larry Kuter. Also included was a fine lead editorial of the *Rockford Register-Republic*—"Rockford Salutes General Kuter." Very obviously Rockford proudly honored its native son and daughter, Larry and Ethel Kuter. As Bob phrased it in his note, "There was a big turnout and it was apparent the high esteem in which Larry is held by his many friends and fellow townspeople. Larry and Ethel looked just great and seemed to be looking forward to happy and interesting retirement."

Jack Spurgeon, ex-'27, leading off what turned out to be three related reports, sent in a fine one on his post-reunion summer travels. Vacationing in Colorado in September, Jack had a "brief look at USAFA . . . luxuriously quartered and may well succeed to the Nation's Pampered Pets title." Returning through Iola, Kans., he "saw Al Dickerson going into his bank and stopped to say hello. Missed Ray Bell, except by phone, when he was here [Ohio] in October to visit Toledo University ROTC." Jack regretted that he had not been able to join the "minority voice" at the Army-Michigan game. "Apparently we played on the wrong Saturday," he observed of that game, a comment we all might apply to at least one later game.

Ray Bell, as luck has it for reporters, sent in as a second item bits of information about his "peregrinations through the middle-eastern states." "At a very fancy formation in Cleveland," he reported seeing Guy Thrums, over from Akron, confirmed the Spurgeon call at Toledo, and gave the first report on the Bob Turners at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Ray mentioned frequent enjoyable meetings with Bert Holtzworth, who as Dep CG, Sixth Army, prowls and probes into Reserve matters as does Ray for Second Army.

Then, reporting coincidences being what they are, Bob Turner came through with a most infrequent and most welcome letter from the Blacksburg, Va., address, 109 Eastview Terrace. Bob's letter dealt interestingly with his October visit to the Point escorting 39 VPI cadets. There they got acquainted with their counterparts in the Corps, attended classes, and made formations. Activity culminated in the Army-Virginia Tech game. Bob commented that "the trip was fascinating, exciting, and instructive for our cadets; and I am sure something of an eye-opener for the cadets at West Point." Like all of us who seem to get up the Hudson too infrequently for our good and our pleasure, Bob thrilled "to see a parade on the Plain once more after more than 10 years."

Wat and Chick Watlington cruised from Silver Springs, Md., to the West this past fall, seeing many friends, including our own Montana Joe Swindlehurst.

Apparently Paul Berrigan is actively bridging streams all over California and the Golden West. Helping put one across the Columbia River is only incidental to at least three other bridge projects Paul is handling in California, we learn.

Local notes of the Washington Area of perhaps class interest would include the turnout for the grand luncheon of the District of

Columbia Society, Assn of Grads, before the Army-George Washington game at the new, gorgeous District stadium. It was truly a remarkable assembly, one which the Area had not seen before, but one which surely it should experience again and often. Concerning the later Service game at Philadelphia, two representatives of the Class and the Area went up for the Staubach demonstration put on by Navy. There they were delighted to see the Bernard Roses from New Jersey (Federal Electric Co.); Larry and Ethel Kuter (Larry with PanAm and both to Christmas in Europe); Ham and Belle Hunter; the Bob Perrines; and Jack and June West, whose son is a Plebe in the Corps. Too bad such a fine grouping could not have had more to cheer about on such a lovely day!

This seems to be all that is on the editorial desk, all that pertains to '27, that is. I pray that when this coldly-started winter is turning into a smaller gas and electric bill I shall not have to paraphrase John Keats' line in *To Autumn*: "Where are the songs of Spring? Ay, where are they?" to ask where are those class items of spring so essential to a fine, fat, and interesting column for the spring ASSEMBLY. Give out, please!

'28

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

Plans for the 35th Reunion have been progressing very nicely, with 89 completed questionnaires having been received. Of this number, 51 members of the Class have indicated their intention to be in attendance accompanied by 48 wives, or a total of 99. Advance deposits received to date amount to \$370, which will permit us to proceed with the preparation of the Reunion Book. Work on the latter is progressing, but if you have not yet returned your questionnaire, please do so in order that the book will be accurate in reflecting your present situation. It has been suggested that the Reunion Booklet include a list of widows of classmates with their addresses. The committee has no way of assembling this information and, therefore, anyone knowing the location of any class widow, please send this information to us.

Carl Sturies writes that he and Juanita visited Tom and Bert Cody in Belleair, Clearwater, Fla. where Tom keeps busy writing, golfing, and reading, while Bert is teaching in an elementary school. Carl also reported the marriage of his daughter Nancy to Dick Nash in August, following which, Carl spent some time in the hospital but has fully recovered.

Del Spivey reports that while in attendance at the Air Force Association Convention in Las Vegas he saw many classmates. Blondie Saunders looked real well and so did his wife Joe. He saw Fred Anderson, Jack Mills, Rosie O'Donnell, Nosebag Warren, Buster Briggs, and Paul Adams, who gave a very excellent account of himself in his new command. Hank Everest and Edith are dividing their time between Washington, D. C., and Myrtle Beach, S. C., where they purchased a home last summer. Jack Hinrichs is still relaxing at Rancho Tularcitos, Carmel Valley, Calif. Luke Finley is just finishing up a trip around the world en route to New York where he has been reassigned by Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Mercer Walter furnishes the following information: "I suppose you already know about classmates who are in the European area but I will give you the latest information as of

this date. Web Anderson has just reported to USAREUR and is assuming command of the Communications Zone in Orleans, France. Jack Oakes has just departed USAREUR from illness and is on his way to Walter Reed. I am afraid from what the doctor tells me that this is retirement for sure. Tommy Wells is working with Radio Free Europe in Munich and I have seen him once or twice since I have been here. Ted Landon, of course, is in Wiesbaden commanding USAFE and I had a good opportunity to talk with him the other day. He told me that Luke Finley was picking up and leaving Geneva, Switzerland, for return to New York where he would remain with Esso. I guess he has been the Esso representative some 12 years, if I remember correctly. Ed Cummings is in Frankfurt, I am told, with some insurance company but to date I have not seen him. Much to my surprise, a week ago Harvey Wilkinson called me up and said he was in Europe for several months on a trip around the world with Stanye. He certainly looked fine and I think they enjoyed a wonderful time in the Far East before getting here. I almost forgot Sammy Anderson, my roommate. He is in Paris as Norstad's Deputy for Air and I have had an opportunity to talk to him a couple of times since being in Europe. This, I believe, finishes off a roundup of classmates in this area as far as my personal knowledge goes at this time."

During the recent football season a number of the Class attended the Army games. At the Homecoming game on 13 Oct, the following were in attendance: Ludlams, Reynolds, Somervilles, O'Brien, Heimans, Traubs, Steeds, Goldsmiths, and Smiths, WD. All except Heimans, Traubs, and Steeds also attended the Alumni Dinner Dance. Bim Wilson and Bob Butler were observed enduring the northeasterner at the Army-Boston University game. Stu McLennan and Joe Bulger were seen at the Syracuse game, Norm Webb and Doug Ludlam at the Navy game.

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Clarence Renshaw was a welcome visitor at the Washington Group's fall luncheon at the Army-Navy Club. Rennie had come down from New York to bring his younger daughter Dee to begin her junior year at George Washington U. He was in fine spirits and is the grandfather of four, courtesy of his older daughter. His son Alan '56 Capt USAF, is now stationed at Sidi Slimane, Morocco, and is following in Rennie's footsteps in doing AF engineer work, as well as being a pilot. Rennie had Jack Cray as a houseguest for 10 days this past summer at his cabin in Canada, and reports Jack lively and in good shape.

Lefty Mace made his farewell appearance at the fall luncheon before reporting to Ft. Sam Houston, where he is Dep CG, Fourth Army, for Tiny Jark. He joins a sizeable '29 contingent there. My last word from this group came from Billy Greear. Lou Hammack is very active in promotion of football and other talent for West Point, in addition to being a member of a brokerage firm and doing some substitute high school teaching. Chuck Hunter lives not far from Greear and spends his time in his swimming pool, tending his estate-size property, and working on his book on Merrill's Marauders. Hunt Bassett keeps up his golf well enough to take Billy at the game frequently. Don Poorman

is also an active golfer and still looks about age 30, says Billy. Chan Robbins is a frequent visitor to San Antonio from his Austin place, where he has enough fishing and riding to keep him happy. Billy Greear himself is still active in the horse game, exhibiting and judging at shows. Between times, he teaches geometry and algebra at Peacock Military Academy.

The Class was deeply grieved at the death of Al Viney at the Presidio of San Francisco on 8 Oct 62. He was buried there, on 12 Oct, with these classmates in attendance: Brownlee, Coolidge, Cooper AB, Evans JB, Hail, Heidland, Hempstead, Love, McKenzie, and Theimer. Flowers were sent by the Class. We all extend our deepest sympathy to Allene and the two sons. In November Allene moved from the Carmel address to an apartment at 332 Waverley Ave., Menlo Park, Calif.

Several people have provided information on the former Dorothy Miller, Frank's widow, and Bill Francis has had a visit with her and her husband in California. She is now Mrs. F. E. Slingerland and lives at El Bosque Drive and Crest Road, Pebble Beach. Her mailing address is P.O. Box 149, Carmel. Dorothy works in the Math Dept of the Navy Postgraduate School at Monterey. Bill Francis himself has a new address: P.O. Box 17062, San Diego 17, but he says this may be temporary, since he hopes to start traveling early in '63.

Larry Guyer was married this past summer to Mrs. Eleanor Bartlett Mears (Billie). They are making their home at Larry's place in St. Petersburg, Fla. The Class warmly welcomes Billie to our group. We look forward to meeting her, and we wish her and Larry every joy and happiness.

Pinky Wetzel has finally come to earth at 11 Green Ave., Lawrenceville, N.J., where he and Sunny have bought a house after a leisurely year around the world, following Pinky's retirement in Korea in Aug 61. They made a long and pleasant sea voyage through Suez and spent last winter with son Scotty (Capt E. S. Jr. '54, USAF) at Toul-Rosieres AFB in France. Scotty is now stationed at Williams AFB, Ariz., and Pinky and Sunny plan to leave Lawrenceville in January to visit him there and Pinky's brother Manford '40, in California. They will be back in New Jersey in early May and would like passing classmates to stop and see them. Their house is less than a block off US 206, which is Main Street in Lawrenceville, and about 4 miles south of Princeton. Their younger son Tony (Capt Wm. T. '56 USAF) is stationed at Lockbourne AFB, Ohio. Pinky and Sunny have three grandchildren, two boys and a girl, "all very blond."

Bill McCullan is giving up the steel business. He and Dot will move, early in '63, to Cape Cod, where they are taking over Latham's Inn, Bitterweet Hill, Route 6A, Brewster, Mass., and will run it beginning next season. Bill says the inn is quite a place and he hopes that lots of '29-ers will stop to see them. In Pittsburgh the McCullans were close enough to get to Washington occasionally. Their visits will be missed.

The item on George McAneny a couple of issues back got garbled. George, who resigned shortly after graduation, was integrated following WW II according to age group, and hence was kept on active duty until Sep 62. His retirement address is 9 Barr Ave., Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y., but he hasn't decided what, if anything, he will work at. His older daughter, Priscilla, is taking a business degree in Richmond, Va., and the

younger daughter, Leslie, is a sophomore at William and Mary. George says he's still holding his own at four-wall handball and tennis with people half his age. Good going, George.

Our active duty list has been depleted by four other retirements. Joe Ranck retired 1 Sep 62 with the 2d Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit from the position of QM, USAREUR, and his and Celie's address is now 1179 Rockdale Rd., NE, Atlanta, Ga. Son, 2d Lt. Wm. W., is stationed at Ft. Bliss. Bill Ghormley received the DSM on his retirement from the Munitions Command, Dover, N.J., on 1 Nov 62. He writes from Glenwood, Md., that he and Marge "haven't decided what they are going to do, where, or with whom." Phil Draper retired 1 Nov 62 with the DSM from the position of Dep CG and CS, ARADCOM, at Colorado Springs. Phil and Ethel spent 2 weeks in Hawaii immediately following his retirement and planned to spend Christmas in Georgia and an indefinite period in Florida this winter. Sometime in '63 they will sell their Colorado Springs house and by autumn will return to Georgia, where they will base.

Bill Hamlin retired 1 Oct 62 with the DSM from the position of CG, Ft. Monmouth. He and Ruth are now established at 2810 NE 48th Court, Pompano Beach, Fla., having proceeded there in their 33-year-old 30-foot cruiser by way of the Inland Waterway, which Bill terms Weary Wilson's ditch. Elapsed time: 4 Oct to 2 Nov; 159 running hours, with many stops here and there to see friends.

Bill Bullock has moved from Ft. Chaffee, Ark., to the NATO Allied Command at Fontainebleau, France. This brings our representation in France to two, with Tommy Sands still at SHAPE Hq and living in Paris. Jim Gavin's resignation as Ambassador to France has taken him back to the presidency of Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass. Jim and Jean received a signal honor this past fall, following his retirement as ambassador, when they stayed at Blair House, the President's guest-house, and were the guests of honor at a small White House dinner dance given by President and Mrs. Kennedy.

Two of our Service-retired but civil-active members in Europe plan to come home and re-retire in mid or late '63. Joe and Jean Horridge, who are back again in Italy and whose address is USAFTA, APO 402, N.Y., plan to settle in Bucks County, Pa. Ben and Esther Wimer, who have moved from Livorno to Rome (Via T. Taramelli, No. 15) plan to settle in the Maryland-Virginia area, which would add them to the Washington Group, we would hope.

Ran Kutz, who retired to his Miami, Fla., house and who has worked successively for the Goodbody firm and for Bache and Co. in the brokerage business, has now established his own investment counseling service in the Miami area. He and Kitten have two teenage daughters, the older of whom, Sara Elizabeth, spent last summer as an exchange student in Lima, Peru. When he is not investment counseling, Ran is a very active gardener on his Key Biscayne place.

A round-up of brief items from replies to Jupe Lindsey's 1 Nov 62 letter and the new address booklet: Jack Horner is still semi-permanently in Alabama with the Chrysler Corp. and sees no prospects of returning soon to his Virginia farm. He expected to be in the Washington area around Christmas, when Ann was to enter Walter Reed for surgery for an old horseback injury. Pearl Robey's Tucson address has changed to 7205 Leo-

nardo do Vinci Way. Same location, says Robey; the city delivery is just pushing the rattlesnakes back. Sid Ofsthun is teaching algebra and geometry at the local high school in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. Mish Roth, VP of Richards-Wilcox Manufacturing Co., Aurora, Ill., says: "Sometimes people ask what I am doing and I reply that I am in the business of making barn doors, and believe it or not, I am. Any further inquiries can be made of our Washington office." Anybody needing a barn door now knows where to get it. Merle Thompson writes on the stationery of the Office of Development, Converse College, Spartanburg, S.C., but says nothing of his specific duties there. Kayo Merrill (Mrs. P.W.) is happy to have oldest daughter at home while her Cml Corps husband is overseas. Her son Fred has made her a grandmother. Doby Kraft says that all is well with the Krafts and sent his dues in spite of the address booklet listing him as Mr. instead of Lt. Col, USAF (Ret).

Ed Lasher was the guest of honor and the principal speaker at the national dinner of the Newcomen Society of North America in Chicago last May. (The Newcomen Society commemorates Thomas Newcomen, the 18th century English steam engine developer, and is devoted to recording and commemorating the development of Material History—industry, transportation, business, etc.—as distinguished from political history.) Ed's speech, which has been published by the Newcomen Society in a handsome brochure, is entitled "From Saratoga to Outer Space" and details the contributions of West Pointers and other military men to materiel developments in peaceful pursuits as well as in warfare.

Abe and Freddie Lincoln came down to Washington from West Point for the Army-George Washington U. football game and were roundly greeted by many of the local contingent. Eddie Wright's son, Edgar Wright III, is '29's entry in the new Plebe class—'66. Graduating in '63 are E.H.J. Carns, Jr., J.R. Hannigan, W.Y. Robbins, and J.S. Walker. At the time of our 35th Reunion we can look forward to seeing D.S. Bennett and S.E. Draper graduate with the Class of '64.

At West Point the Abe Lincolns had the Weary Wilsons with them for the Homecoming Weekend and has seen George McAneny, who indicated he may take up teaching. Lincoln is currently serving as consultant on three major international affairs panels. One of these is preparing a study for the President on a National Academy for Foreign Affairs, and the initial print run for the report is 5,000 copies. Abe was to see the President, with other members of the group, just as these notes went to press. On a less intellectual note, Abe and family currently own five horses, which is probably some kind of a record for an active duty colonel in the mechanized age.

Eddie and Ruth Mays drove up from Florida for the Navy game, going first to New York to see some shows and look in on Rennie and Eileen Renshaw. They stopped an hour with Jupe and Judy Lindsey here on their return trip, and Jupe says they promise to take more time off from the citrus business on their next visit north.

Fama Maulsby (Mrs. Wm. E. Jr.), who bought an apartment in The Westchester here after Bill's death, has had to be in California for several months because of her mother's illness. She hopes to be back in Washington early in 1963, but in the meantime her address is 3962 South Van Ness St., Los Angeles 62.

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.

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Let me start with a correction of a boo-boo I made in the last issue concerning Spike Eckert's address. It's true that he and Catharine were dickering for a house in Potomac Acres; but knowing the real estate business in Washington I should have waited until the contract was signed, stamped, sealed, and delivered. Sure enough, the deal blew up in their faces; they have finally found what they wanted at 6713 Tulip Hill Terrace, Washington 16, D.C.

More retirements to be noted; Chris Clarke wound up his tour with CENTAG in Paris and came back to Fourth Army Hq, from whence he retired on 1 Jan. I don't have his retirement address but feel sure that the Retired Activities Division of the Fourth Army AG can provide it to interested parties. Millard Lewis retired on 1 Oct and returned to Washington, where he has owned a home for some years at 5174 Watson Street, Washington 16. He tells me that they have no special plans for the immediate future, other than a number of short trips here and there. Mark Smith also turned in his suit on 1 Oct. He and Jessie have settled on their "estate" near Aberdeen Proving Ground. The address is Rt. 2, Box 392, Aberdeen, Md.

Make a note of new addresses for Mandy Mandelbaum, at 4009 Ben Lomond, Palo Alto, Calif.; and for Lyman Shaffer, at 1060 Ivy Lane, San Antonio 9, Tex.

Friends of Patsy Sisson will be saddened to learn that she succumbed to cancer, after a long struggle, on 30 Jul. Our deepest sympathy to Win, who has gone on with his teaching job at the U. of Calif. Their son Wade (USMA '59) is a Marine fighter pilot. Our condolences, too, to Sid and Mary Wooten on the death of Sid's mother in October.

I still enjoy the kick of running into some of the gang at various kinds of gatherings. At the annual AUSA meeting here in early October we had both Ham Hamlett and Andy O'Meara as principal speakers on the program, and business and industry were represented by Fred Ammerman, Ace Goodwin, Johnnie Greco and me. The Army-GW football game in our new DC Stadium was, of course, a real drawing card. Dolly and I found ourselves happily surrounded by a big turnout of classmates: Fred and Dottie Ammerman, Freddie and Claire Atkinson, Thad and Ethel Broom, the Bill Carters, George and Sis Duehring, Spike Eckert, Sam and Mary Anne Emery, Bill (WH) and Nancy Harris, Max and Amelia Janairo, Ted and Rita Kimpton, Roy and Alice Lindquist, Pie Nyquist, Howie Quinn, Jac Rothschild, Tom Stoughton, Archie and Julie Stuart, Rosie and Virginia Taber, and Bob and Sarah Wood. I'm sorry to say that I didn't get to the Navy Game this year—not sorry to have missed the woeful things Navy did to us, but sorry to be unable to give a report on our Class attendance. A week later, however, at an AOA meeting in New York I found (again!) Johnnie Greco and also Jimmie Lunn and

Cayce Odom. The gang does seem to keep busy.

Had a good letter from Roy Bartlett a couple of months ago, some excerpts from which seem worth quoting as being of general interest: "I was fortunate enough to be on a trip for Boeing to Cape Canaveral where I saw Mercury 8 take off. My work in base design of advanced aerospace programs continues to be interesting and real Buck Rogers stuff at times, and I'm fortunate and thankful to enjoy good health. Our oldest son, LeRoy III, will graduate from Seattle U. in December and has been offered (and will accept) a regular commission in the F.A. He was Deputy Brigade CO of the ROTC unit here. . . . While at the Cape I had supper with Slats Schlatter. He and Bidly have a lovely home in Eau Gallie and he's very happy with his job. Perhaps you read the recent article in *Newsweek* about the very unusual curriculum at Melburne H.S. Their daughter Judy is a senior there and a very pretty young lady."

Our active contingent, small though it is, continues to distinguish itself in many ways. During the Cuban crisis, as most of you know by now, Ham Howze was designated Joint Task Force Commander under CINCLANT for control of possible future joint operations; and Cam Sweeney's fighter pilots of the Tactical Air Command performed so notably that Cam and his boys were congratulated and commended by the President in person. Loud cheers, also, for Al Watson, our newest three-story general. His promotion is an obvious reflection of the superb way he handled the assignment as US Commander in Berlin. He has taken over Third Army from Trap Trapnell '27, with headquarters (and quarters) at Ft. McPherson.

From politics to life insurance seems an unlikely switch; but Fritz Weber, after 2 years as mayor of Lumber Bridge, N.C., has accepted the position of European Manager for Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company. His address is: c/o SLAIC, Reuth-erweg 47, Frankfurt/Main, Germany. Kudos to Bill Whipple whose work for the New York World's Fair has earned him the award of "Distinguished Engineer in Public Service" from the National Society of Professional Engineers.

That's all the gossip for this time. I hope all hands have a fine Christmas and an auspicious start on a good year in '63.

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My thanks to the more than 200 loyal fans who answered the questionnaire this time. I apologize for the lateness of the directory, but I had a slight argument with the printer. Oh well, another year, another printer. I will respond to all the notes in time, space permitting. A few of the highlights were: a check for \$5.01 from Oekie Krueger from Wisconsin where he and Doris are still hibernating. Oekie works for some semi-pro round-ball outfit called the Rockers, I think. Elmo Mitchell, dean of Georgia Military Academy, sent in two checks. Maybe his conscience or absent-mindedness, but being an honest man, I returned one of the checks. Our three-star mathematician, Jack Daley, now at Ft. Belvoir, was the only one who noticed, or at least was the only one who mentioned, a slight error in my monetary calculations. Ed Messinger finally responded from Turkey, where the mails must be awfully slow, since



1931: Left to right: John McGee, Jim Mooney, Bert Muentner.

he sent in last year's questionnaire. To all of those who said their present position was prone, I can only say that several had the same idea. We received one tentative offer of investment from Dave Hutchison, who said that at the moment the fund was too small to buy any oil well.

I apologize most sincerely for the demotion of Ted Timberlake and Duke Ondrick. Also Bob Hackett is in the USA not YSA. Two other members of my family assisted in the typing and proof-reading and those errors and possibly others slipped by.

The only new change in active duty assignments that I know of is Hugh Harris leaving Korea and going to the Seventh Army in Europe. Tick Bonesteel held the job down awaiting Hugh's arrival. Andy Adams, as previously reported, is now at Ft. Chaffee with the XIX Corps. Frank Corbin, lawman at Randolph AFB, and Bill Hall, chief in charge of bean-counting in Europe, represent the two BG's that we still have on active duty. Bill expects to retire this spring and join the ranks of the loafers.

Despite the disappointing football season, the team had plenty of support from the Class. The Esdorns, Gays, Pachlers, and Beishlines were at the Syracuse game. Twenty-seven of the Class were at the GW game in Washington. Unfortunately, some sat on one side of the Corps and the goats on the other side, I won't say where I sat, so nobody should feel insulted. Due to the difficulty of moving around, I'm not sure that I saw everybody. Several relative strangers were there. Roy and Babs Leinster, Earl and Marian Hockenberry with daughter Mary Anne, Budge and Betty Howard, George and Marian Wertz, Mickey and Grace Moses, Sam and Marguerite Smellow, Warren and Margot Hoover and daughter Margocito. And also the regulars: the Charlie Duffs, Bill Cassidys, Jerry Rodenhauers, Swede Carlsons, Earle Cooks, Patsy Hunters, Paul Mayos, Eddie Browns and daughter Joan, Johnny Davises, Klemm Boyds, Fred Warrens and some of the Stiness family. Clyde McBride was there with his two youngest (Georgina had the mumps.) Doc Strother and daughter Julia were present, Doc enjoying a respite from his job on the Standing Group.

Swede and Mae Carlson went to Homecoming and saw Marv and Pat Coyle, Bo and Betty Beishline, Quinney and Tim Brown, Don and Catherine Buchwald, Al and Ann Gay, Dick and Pat Harrison, Bill and Truxie Jones, Bob and Lib Quackenbush (the list showed him as a major, so I'm not the only

one who demotes people), and Curly and Marian Wilson. Curly wants me to say that he works for a professional society and doesn't do any lobbying as I might have previously implied. Moppy Perry and Art Hercz, with or without families, were at the Michigan game. Moppy is doing graduate work at Michigan State and Art is an associate research engineer at U. of Mich. He says the job sounds pretty imposing for a confirmed goat. He is also still a confirmed bachelor. I can't find out much about that football game in Philadelphia, understandably, but it does appear that we had some representation there: Frank Pachler, Curly Wilson, Ted Parker, Jim Corbett, Dan Callahan, Dick Spangler, (don't know what he was doing this far east), Swede Carlson, Dick Jewett, Al Gay, Moppy Perry, Shorty Rothrock, and somebody whose name I can't read in my notes—some of these with and some without femmes. People didn't seem to want to talk about it, so I didn't press the subject.

The picture of all the handsome gentlemen is the December Washington group luncheon. There were 31 present, somewhat of a record, so Earle Cook, exercising one of his command functions, obtained a photographer to record the deed. We were pleased to have Johnny Waters in from Chicago and able to attend and help to bring the total to 27 active and four retired stars at the festive board. The one at the right end of the table, our own VP, has been sent a bottle of Noddoze tablets, courtesy of Earle Cook. Earle, by the way, is looking for a radio repairman who can fix the radio in his office. It doesn't work very well. Bill Hardick brought along a pastel portrait that Blair Ford had done for him. Considering the subject, the results were very commendable. Bill says the one Blair did of Gussie is much better. I add, "naturally." Contact Blair in Columbus for further information.

Burt Muentner was in town the other day and called me. He has just returned from a trip around the world during which he visited Jake Smart in Japan, Hugh Harris and Van Bond in Korea, and Ed Messinger in Turkey. He reports that Van has been hospitalized in the recent past, but is now recuperated and working at full speed again. He mailed me (postage due, Chet Young take notice) the picture of John McGee presenting a copy of his book to Jim Mooney. The book is entitled "Rice and Salt" and is about John's experiences in the Philippines during the war, as a POW, and as an escapee. I have read it and it is well worthwhile. See your local book

dealer(ad). (See Book Review in Bulletin Board.)

John Feagin wrote me a very irate note, which wrath I turned away with a soft answer. Seems I called him Harry in a previous column and I am truly sorry. At least I got a note from him, so maybe I should try this with some of the other recalcitrants. John said that he has so much junk in the way of workshop that he was not likely to move until he gets where he can't afford what he now has (I couldn't figure it out either). A note from Chuck Westpheling noting the arrival of a grandson, Chuck II, a junior member of the 82d Airborne. Chuck and Jim King, the banker, were members of the Admissions Conference at the Point in September. Chuck reports that Jim looks well and Jim seconded that about Chuck in his note on the same conference. Received my usual quota of letters from Charlie Densford. Charlie lists himself as rancher, meat cutter, cow nurse, purveyor of worms to aristocratic fishermen, Texas World's Fair lobbyist, editorial writer and shareholder in the Bandera Bleat, hunting and fishing guide, and barbecue artist. In contrast, Scott Dickson lists himself as VP in charge of R&D, engineering and production, with his firm in Troy and then says that when one is as big a man as he is, it is hard to be humble. Who ever heard of a humble Texan? Charlie sent in the picture of Dick Wise on his visit to Densford country on a cross-country trip in his converted Volkswagen "The Yellow Turtle." Dick is the one with the goatee. Charlie Jr., still in Thailand, has been assisting the Class of '30 in locating one of their members, Pradish, who is in that area. Charlie suggests that his boy would make a good aide for Ernie Easterbrook. Ernie and Nancy are still basking in sunny Hawaii, and Ernie wanted me to pass on to former members of the 25th Div (US Army division, that is) that "Tropic Lightning" is in fighting trim. How could anybody doubt that with all that '31 has done for it and Ernie now commanding it? To return to Charlie, he writes of a hunting trip sponsored by Jack Gordon and attended by Jim Stroker, John McGee, Hector Truly, Dick Wise and Charlie. The party took place at Jack's beer company's shack at Medina Lake, where a 27-foot cabin cruiser is also available. Jack and Hector were the two biggest men there, weighing 400 lbs between them, of

which 100 was Truly. Unfortunately, I can't repeat all of Charlie's remarks.

Many thanks are due Jack Gordon for his distribution of Gen MacArthur's remarks on his receipt of the Sylvanus Thayer award. Charlie Hoy wrote in suggesting that the Class propose the address be required reading for all Plebes at the Academy. The December luncheon instructed me to acquaint the Supe with this proposal and I have done so.

To some other news, before I use up all the space on the Texas group. Glenn Farris



1931: Left to right: Dick Wise, Charlie Densford. The Ranch Wagon belongs to the newspaper owner.

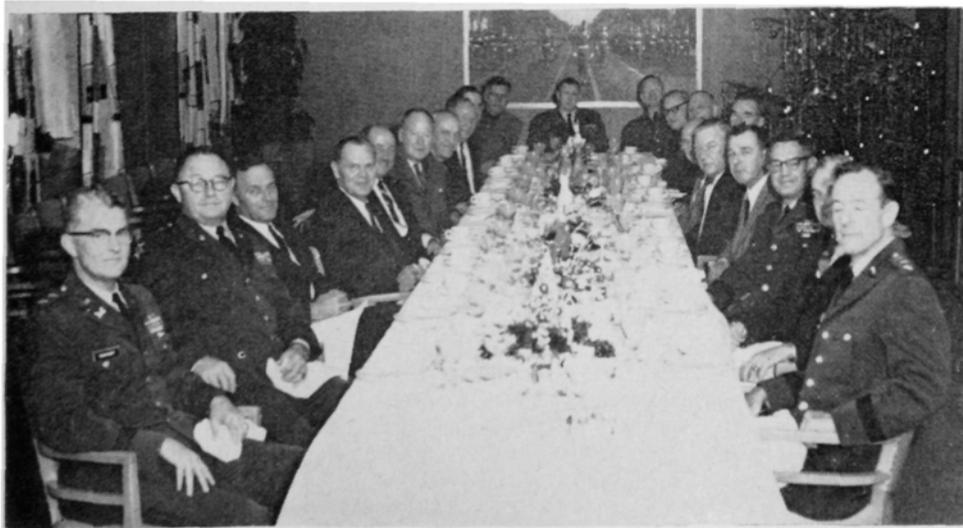
sent a card from Gainesville where he is teaching French at the U. of Fla. He and Mary are well and happy, with their oldest boy a freshman at Georgetown U. and the other five kids at home. Bob and Mary Johnston have apparently settled in Columbus, Ga., but he gave no indication of what he is doing. Trickie Troxel wrote from Ft. Ord where he and Lucy are enjoying life. He says he sees George Fletcher, Ray Pratt, and Ham Peyton

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.

occasionally. He has been inspected (but not skinned) by Ted Decker, Bill Cassidy, and Jack Daley. Ted Decker made the opening address for the law course at the Academy in September. Ted is trying to catch them young for his J-man Corps. Bill Jones wrote from his general store in Wheeling that he hopes that Bill Jr., will enter the Point next year. Bill, himself, in trying to follow a physical fitness program got a black eye from a squash ball for his trouble and also some rebellious muscles from taking up riding again. He mentioned that Duke Ondrick is Dir of the Ohio Valley Industrial and Business Development Corporation. Nothing humble about that title. A Christmas letter from Cam and Julia McConnell who are ecstatic about their new home in Tacoma. Cam added a footnote telling of a small reunion for a certain football game, with Tom and Ruth Marnane, C-square and Jeanne Smith, and Charlie and Tommie Howze. The Marnanes and the McConnells with their Naval Academy sons, had a slightly divided loyalty but otherwise the party was peaceful. A long note from Bill and Betty Chandler with some welcome addresses but not much news. Bill, Jocko Malloy, Herb Mansfield, and Rags Ragland congregate occasionally in the fog of the Bay area. I wish I had the space to include Herb's mouth-watering dissertation on a certain type of spirits. Bill wrote that he is not yet working but that is true of a lot of us. From the same area, Chet Diestel wrote that he is settled down and teaching in San Mateo after a trip he and Gin took cross-country and to Japan, Korea, Okinawa, and Honolulu.

Hurdy Allen, who is now president of two banks in Fort Lauderdale, invites one and all to take advantage of his bail bonding, check cashing, and emergency loan services. Jack Barclay has left Lionel, or vice versa, so I don't get any electric trains for Xmas this year. He and Johnny Ruggles were in town for the AUSA meeting but I didn't get to see them. Bob Bard has left the law business to teach school. I understand one of his greatest problems is getting Bob Hackett to understand the math he (Bard) is teaching his (Hackett) daughter. Johnny Barr notes that he and wife Jane are living the quiet and sober life of the dignified professor. You will note that he didn't say enjoying it. George Dietz is studying for his LLM degree. Sounds like a stutterer asking for a cigarette. He noted that he was admitted to the bar last September. Admittance to bars is not entirely new to this Class. Seriously, I think that the effort the Class has made and is making in the field of advanced education and the contributions that so many are making by taking up a second profession is indeed worthy of much approbation. My hat is off to all of them who have returned to school to qualify themselves better for continued service in the interest of the country.

Irv Lehrfeld wrote a long note on life in the suburbs on Long Island. His main complaint is the size of the lawn he has to take care of. He should move to Washington and let the crabgrass do it for him. Walker Milner sent a card from the U. of Mo., where he and Betty and son Robert are enjoying the academic life and a new home in a friendly



1931: December Class Luncheon, Washington, D.C. Around the table clockwise: Bill Cassidy, Paul Mayo, Johnny Waters, Clyde McBride, Shorty Rothrock, Bill Hardick, Ted Decker, Curly Wilson, Ted Parker, Phil Stiness, Earle Cook, Charlie Duff, Bob Hackett, Swede Carlson, Dan Callahan, Sam Smellow, Charlie McNair, Budge Howard, Jack Daley, Fred Warren, Gus Schomburg.

college town. I just received a note from Johnson Hagood from his general store in Colombia. His answer to "present position" was—slightly stooped. Bill Woodward just came through with his questionnaire from Denver. He says he expects to move to Atlanta in January and become civil defense director there. I presume his main job will be to protect against us carpetbaggers. In Denver he was planning on how to get into outer space; now he takes a job to protect us against what might come from there. The salary looked mighty good, however.

More in the next issue. My especial thanks to those who sent Xmas cards and letters. Keep the news coming in and I am always in need of pictures.

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For the sake of continuity, I shall start the column with some reports of recent retirements as promised in the previous column. "Click" Rees was feted for at least a week of formal affairs. Joe Kelly flew down from Scott AFB to participate at a reception and dinner dance near the climax of celebration. At a parade, an Air Force representative, Gen. Raymond J. Reeves, pinned another Air Medal on Click's raised chest. It was the City of Orlando that put the final polish on the gleaming events by giving a city-sponsored luncheon at the Cherry Plaza Hotel. The county commission formally named a street bounding OAFB as "General Rees Road." It's this last honorarium which impresses most of us. Usually one waits until rigor mortis, at the earliest, to name a street as an honor. Now Click can drive back and forth on his own street! As an afterthought, this information, in the form of clippings from the *Orlando Evening Star*, was sent to me from an old friend, Mac McKeon, long retired, who knew me as a classmate of Click and wanted to be sure it "got into the news." I have yet to find what the plans for future are but it seems obvious that a man can't leave an area where they name streets after him.

A few weeks ago I received a letter from Jack Sutherland, I quote the first paragraph: "ASSEMBLY arrived in the morning mail and in reading your column on '32, saw that you planned some retirement news for the next issue. I hasten to furnish you some. When I retired it didn't make the *Journal-Register* either because I wasn't newsworthy or maybe in the shuffling of locations I missed the issue. However, I don't think it was noted at the time as a lot of my friends continue to write to my last station." Jack adds that on returning home from Japan he was stationed at Stewart AFB where he was retired on 31 Jul. Charlie Piddock retired the same day and went to Phoenix, Ariz., where he plans a future career. Jack and Ruth alternate living at each one's maternal home while he in the interim is "writing to companies to convince them they can't get along without me." Daughter Ruth is finishing up at Syracuse while son John '58, promoted to captain, commands a missile battery in Germany, as well as two offspring—John III, 9-months-old, and Karen, a veteran of 2 years, 2 months. Thanks for the news, Jack, and let me know what job you landed.

Earlier, Ed Hartshorn sent me a note from 4185 Lively Lane, Dallas, Tex. He "lucked out and got a good job with a fair company in a fair location (Chance Vought)." He reports "I may get to Washington from time

to time, in which case I will call. Of course, this conflict of interest business will not permit me to give 'Harvey Beach' a ring for 2 or 3 years. Maybe this is a break." I hope Dwight doesn't read the column. He warns all retired classmates to check with the Social Security Administration in Baltimore reference their account. He says his was in error and if he had delayed longer it would have been difficult to correct. To quote, "In any event, it may not be a bad idea for the boys to take time to check this out."

Alex Graham had a retirement party at Ft. Myer after the parade. You may remember that he stayed on active service after a major operation several months previous. The party was a fine affair and we met most interesting people. Afterward a good baker's dozen attended a further get-together with Alex and Frances in their comfy establishment on Volta Street.

A bill for dues, plus a friendly note, reminded me that Ed Howarth is still actively employed as class secretary, though employed by the State of Pennsylvania. With lack of care, he may be in for life. How can a bill collector be so popular—it must be the Howarth broad smile as he returns the receipt.

A final report of retirees in this issue brings to our attention that we have two neoscholars. Herrol, or "Skid" Skidmore, is associate professor of engineering at Marshall U. in Huntington, Va., and Bill Culp is president of a business college in the Midwest.

Turning to spot news, we find "Pop" Duncan, who has finally become "alphabetic." He is now called CG, USLARLANT. That's a terrible thing to do to a good name like Duncan but I'm sure Pop will put up with it cheerfully. It is somewhat classified but a good rumor had it that he had an important job in the Cuban plans—something like CofS.

Mary Cain is on leave in Baltimore and beaming as only a grandmother the second time around can beam. Her daughter Pat Naglak had her second boy on 5 Dec and Mary is lending a helping hand. Jimmy graduates from Villanova in January and seems to be Marine-minded.

Bedie and John Keating take off to visit son Pat at West Point for Christmas, and son Mike and his beautiful wife and child in Portsmouth, N. H., for the New Year holidays.

Joslin and Luke Morris' son Jay has just recently been awarded a certificate of distinguished scholarship for outstanding academic achievement at the U. of Maryland, where he is a senior and an honor student for the second year. Jay's wife is Angela Turner, a former Navy junior.

Harry Porter, erstwhile director plans and programs at Wright-Patterson AFB has changed his desk. He's now C/S, AFLC.

From time to time I'm asked the whereabouts of Johnny Pugh. As CG 3d Arm Div in Germany, he and Lt. Col. Elderdic, WAC, were married last September at Birkerod, Denmark. They should be coming home in a year or so.

We haven't heard directly from Harvey Fischer but Dort reports that he is very good about keeping the family informed. Dort is living at 3900 Watson Place here in Washington while Harvey is in Korea.

"Pinkie" Smith's Christmas card states that they are happily settled in Anniston, Ala., and he is a public relations expert with a bank there. Both their daughters and husbands will join them for the holidays.

Horace Bigelow has been hiding his talents. The annual mailing list has some errors, as he is willing to admit. He suggests, please send

in the corrections as soon as possible. I have a few to offer. Tom Hannah lives at Box 6107, Forest Acres Branch, Columbia, S.C. Steve Mellnik's new retreat is 413 A Weaver Avenue, Ft. Totten, N. Y.

Mary and Rollo Bower are sojourning temporarily at 1442 Wilks Place, Colorado Springs, Colo. She thanks the Class profusely for the silver bowl gift.

John McConnell left sometime ago to take over as Dep CINC, USEUCOM, and Hunter Harris took over his job as Vice CINC, SAC.

As a final entry, I would like to point out the 1 Dec copy of the *Journal* and in particular, page 36. Romulus "Doubleyew" Puryear and his lovely wife are in "in pose" just prior to a visit to Buckingham Palace. Immaculately groomed and hair gleaming (with the non greasy material, no doubt) and with a sharply-clipped mustache, I challenge even the Cold Stream Guard to produce a more splendidly turned-out product. The most upsetting feature of the picture to many of us is that Romulus looks like a graduate of the late 1940's. Our only hope is that the photographer touched up the print, but I'm not so sure.

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May the next 30 years be as happy and as satisfying as the past 30, but they surely won't be as eventful, we hope. Also, may they see our class treasury grow from bets with Navy '33 on The Game. This year Navy won the pot made by each of the 20 of us and 26 from Crabtown putting in \$1.25. On 27 Oct about 50 of our guys and gals winned, dined, and danced at the Army-Navy Country Club, when the new officers were installed—President: Disosway; 1st VP: Bellican; 2d VP: Harry King; and SecTreas: Gibbs.



1933: Gen. J. Fred Thorlin, C.G. of White Sands Missile Range, succeeds Shinkle.

Starbird has returned to the Pentagon after duty as CG, Task Force Eight; he is now director of the Defense Communications Agency and has been promoted to three-star rank. Dodd is our fifth Lt Gen.

Thayer followed his Potomac School son from Europe, where he spent the summer writing and decreasing Germany's wildlife population. Apologies to Parker; his son was erroneously listed in the last Report as entering USMA. Dan left in Nov for about 6 months in Bangkok. His address: c/o JUSMAG, Box 313, APO 196, San Fran. He had Thanksgiving dinner there with the Conways. Hoebeke writes from Hawaii, "Since I appear to be the junior here—I'd better get with it. . . . Madeleine and I took a trip to India last

spring... saw **Dahlens** and **Blanchards** in Taiwan; **Englers** in Japan." **Adrian** expects to be transferred to **Harrell's Benning** in March, where he'll be on duty until he retires and then settles someplace in the Southeast. One son graduates this year from the U. of Hawaii and the other is a junior at Michigan State. **Dunn's** daughter has presented him with his second grandchild; whose father is now a fully-qualified submariner. **Betsy Sud-duth Damon** and **Bill** live at 315 Elizabeth Road, San Antonio; recently they've gotten together with the **Dues** and **McClellands**. In Nov, **Polk** directed large exercises in Germany; the next month he took over as **Hartel's** CG in Berlin. **Dot Hartel** tells of their life in Berlin; how they enjoy the people, the lakes, the fields; and how they will hate to leave. She and **Fritz** had a short leave in **Berchtesgaden**, "but it's nicer just to come back to Berlin. We enjoy taking our guests, and we have quite a few, around to show them the 'Wall,' the **VOPO's**, who are always looking at you through binoculars, the buildings, the checkpoints, but best of all, the beautiful lakes, ... that the ordinary tourist does not see ... as close to a problem as we do here, ... one does not have the fears ... that dear friends may have who are thousands of miles from the scene."

Last summer **Gray** and **Dorothy Essman** took a trip around the world; on the flight from **Calcutta** to **Bangkok** co-passengers were the **Herbs**, whom they later again saw in **Hong Kong**, where **Gray** expects to move to become Corporate VP of **Far East Operations** for **Pfoundler Permutif, Inc.** **Parr** is manager of **Fireside Lodge**, 4800 White Settlement Road Ft. Worth. He hopes his **Mike** will join the **Corps** next summer; **Kurt** has 2 more years of high school before trying to qualify for a suit of **Cadet Gray**; and the oldest **Ivan III**, is a captain serving in **Korea**. **Chase** has been transferred to **Hq STRICOM**, **MacDill AFB**.

**Lisa Shinberger** writes from her home at 1125 West Franklin St. in **Richmond** that she would certainly welcome a visit from **Shinny's** classmates. Her **Adelaide** graduated from **Sweetbriar** last year; **Mary-Baird** is a high school senior, and twins **Jane** and **John** will start being teenagers next summer. **Hain** says he's "not about to retire yet and will continue to slug it out in **CINPAC's** Plans Div." **Sibley**, head of the new **Army Mobility Command**, said in **Detroit** that, "Future wars will be fought almost exclusively from the air." **Betty Walters** reports for herself and **Paul** that "he

has to use his pen too much in the **G4 merry-go-round**." Son **Robert** is **USMA '64** and plans to spend **Christmas** with his grandmother in **San Antonio**; **Betty Jean** and her brother **Michael** go to school in **Honolulu**; **Jimmy '59** is with **Special Forces** on **Okinawa**. **Puddy Bartlett** tells about how much she and **Gordon** are enjoying present custody of their five-year-old grandson, whose father is going to **Vietnam**. Their daughter **Bunny**, the wife of an **Episcopal** clergyman, has recently moved with her husband and their three children to his new **Detroit** suburb parish. **Ab** and **Connie Huntsberry** hope all three of their boys will be with them for **Christmas**. **Lt. Henry** is assigned to the **82d**; "**Alanson**, who had an openheart operation this past June is doing fine. We believe in miracles; certainly this was one! Seven year old **Pat** is looking forward to **Santa Claus**." After retirement next summer they plan to move to **Reidsville**, **N. C.** **TAC** Vice Commander **Disosway** heads the **AF Tactical Air Support Board** in a "dog fight" with the **Army** on how to strengthen battlefield air mobility and support. **Powers** is Asst Com of the **Army Air Defense School** at **Bliss**. **Brig. Gen. (Ret) E. S. Hartshorn, Jr. '32** has furnished me with quite a complete report on job seeking for new retirees. I will be glad to send you a copy on request, and/or you can communicate with him at 4185 Lively Lane, **Dallas 20, Tex.** **Ely, Dep Dir, Army Materiel Command**, told several hundred from our largest industries of progress in the **Pentagon's** reorganization. **Clainos' Polly** is with her engineer husband in **Mt. Vernon, Ohio**; **Deme** is **USMA '66**; **Nicky** is a high school junior. **Pete** says he now can box in **Olson's** weight class and by retirement time he ought to be up with **Remus**. He says he tried for 4 years to get out of **Cleveland's** weight class, and when he saw **Johnny** recently, "I asked him, with great anticipation, how much he weighed. When he said 160, I just threw up my hands—I guess **Bloody Tuesday**..." **Tripp** plans to retire in the **San Francisco Bay** area; son **Bob** is in **Bad Tolz** as a 1st Lt in **Special Forces**. **Wallace** is in **OUSA** and lives at 241 **Aspen St.** in **Alexandria**. **Baumer** is now here with **Atlas Industries**; **Butch** lives at 5227 **Duvall Drive**, **Westmoreland Hills, Md.** **Bellican** has moved to a house in the **Foxhall Village** section of **Washington—1571 44th St., N.W.**

**Leydecker** writes that he has no definite retirement plans, other than the date and general location—someplace in the South,

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.

but that since both he and **Hilda** continue in good health he intends to do some sort of work. **Charlie** also says that the **Chappie Chapmans** met with a very bad auto accident last year during his **PCS**, but that they "came out of it miraculously well. . . . **Chappie** is doing an outstanding job as **Corps Commander** and has instituted many improvements." The **Cahills** plan to retire in **Fla.** **Mack** expects to follow the '49-ers after retirement, and settle near **San Fran.** **Henley** has a 33-foot **Chris Craft** which he and **Holly** plan to pilot to **Fla.**, to escape the cold weather in **Charleston**. Efforts of **Leydecker** and **Henley** to get the **Hales** to move south have been unsuccessful; **Ed** is building a new home in **West Hartford**. **Lipscomb** continues at **Ascension Island**; **Lafar** says quite a few retired officers of all Services are there helping the **AF** to run that missile range station. **Cowhey** saw the top-performance game with **Penn State**; he and **Jonel** have bought a new home in **New London**. She recently compared notes with **Vic King** at a real estate convention. **Roberta Gabel Coffey** was happy to get the picture of her son **Beau** receiving the martini pitcher at the **AFA**; she is working for the **Strike Command AG**, where she sees **Neely** occasionally. **Marion** and **Sey Madison** have two new grandsons; one's father, **David**, is a captain in residency in **neurology** at **Walter Reed**; **John**, the other's sire, also lives in **Denver**. **Marion** writes that the **Pittmans** live nearby, and that the **Schmelzers** are in 50-mile-away **Greeley**; also that she recently had a good chat with **Babs Scoville**. Quite a few reminiscers heard the **Cadet Glee Club** and **USMA Band** at **Constitution Hall** the week before **Halloween**.

The last two Reports have been mimeographed and mailed to all those, over 150, who don't take **ASSEMBLY**; so now, all know what's going on. Roughly half of the cards sent out about the **30th** reunion have been returned to **Coleman** and about half of these have said "Yes." **Freddie** would like to have all the answers as soon as practicable. In this case, certainly, something is better than nothing.



1933: Left to right: **Hoy Davis**, **Akers**, **Grimes**, **Plapp**, **Billy Harris** at **Hoy's** quarters, **Patch Barracks**. **Billy** is **CG, 7th Army SUPCOM, APO. 279, N. Y.**

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The age-old adage "The older one becomes—the smarter he becomes" must have applicability or else I have been wasting these many years. I somehow seem not to have reached that plateau, as evidenced by these notes I keep writing to myself. I guess I should console myself with the happy thought that I am not old enough and, therefore, have something to look forward to, i.e., "No note writing."

I am certain that forgetfulness is not limited to your scribe, for far too many forget to let the class secretary know where the "body beautiful" now reclines. This is intended to be not only a plea but a barb. "No excuse, sir" is not only trite but a sign of an uncoordinated Plebe. How does one stray into this area? Simple. I was class secretary and know how it feels to receive mail

marked, "address unknown." You may not think much of yourself, but there are a lot of classmates and their wives who do. So-o-o be wise! Advertise! Let's hear from you.

Hal Edson writes from Center Line, Mich., that he is deputizing these days at the new Mobility Cmd. He took time out recently to see his oldest boy married. Comfortably settled in nearby Birmingham, he has oodles of room. Going Detroit way—see Hal and stay.

John and Fran Stevens are now at Ft. Meade, Md. After being a Korean widow these many moons, we wonder who is spoiling whom?

Lou Walsh, having come in from the Valleys of Korea, is working with CIA. One cannot help but notice how easily Louise smiles these days.

Harry Hillyard joined Tom Lipscomb at the Combat Development Command at Ft. Belvoir. The second star Harry now wears matches the one Tom has had—congratulations to both. Cy Betts, our congenial president, is wearing his second star. Congrats, Cy.

George and Salye Gerhart are truly settled in Arlington. Never realized George was a handy man around the home, until I viewed his handicraft. This ambidextrous scholar is enrolled at American U with "Frog" as a major. (Always thought he was Pennsylvania Dutch oriented).

Fred Barnes, financier and stock broker (SB), has changed his base of operations to Laidlaw and Co. From all indications this SB is on his way up whilst the market reacted accordingly.

It is with deepest regrets that we announce the passing of Terry Davall. Interment was in Arlington and flowers from the Class were presented by Cy Betts. Graveside services were attended by Florence and Bob Baker, Rita and Bob Kyser, Virgie and Jabo, Sissy and Bob MacDonnell, Anne and Bentley Kern, Rosa and Fred Barnes, Peggy and Bill Craig, Louise and Lou Walsh, Hope and Gene Corrigan, Kay and Jerry Higgins, Harry Hillyard, Johnny Stevens, Paul Barton, Tom Lipscomb, Jack Schaefer, Bob Tyson, Bill Voehl, Salye Gerhart, and Betty Johnson.

Between the A-N magazine and our "feather merchant" classmates, information of retirees continues to come to our attention. You might think that since "free postage" address cards exist, the retiree would expend some muscular energy and send a change of address to the secretary. It takes only a moment and would save hours of research to determine new whereabouts. Our list of retirements now includes Jim Wells, Emery Lewis, Hank Ebel, Shag Shaughnessy, Don Durfee, and J. B. Richardson. Any more?

Bob MacDonnell reports that Dee Simonson, having returned from Germany, is "goose hunting" up Minneapolis way.

Seen in DC recently at a commanders' staff conference were Whitey Manlove (Depot Comdr. at Savanna, Ill.) and Bob Miller (Chief OSA, New Orleans).

The homecoming game at West Point had some of the stalwarts: Bob Finkenaar, Charlie Johnson, Bob Tyson, George Gerhart, and Bob MacDonnell. Jabo flew to the Michigan game.

Gene Corrigan reported that Ferd Tate is now professoring at McNeese U in La. Any advice to the prospective teachers amongst our new retirees, Ferd?

Charlie Brown is now going for broke in education, as he is attending U. of Conn. for his master's degree.

A pleasant surprise occurred on 30 Oct. when Mrs. Dorothy Hatsfeld O'Neal became the bride of Johnnie Franklin. The wedding took place at the Ft. Myer Chapel and the couple went to Europe for their honeymoon where Johnnie is stationed. They were both at the GW game and all '34-ers extended our best wishes.

Looked like old home week at the GW-Army game in DC. Bert and Virginia Bruce, Pat and Cy Betts, Rita and Bob Kyser, Harry and Eddrea Hillyard, Fran and daughter, Leah Stevens, Hank Davall with young Terry, Louise and Tom Lipscomb, Salye and George Gerhart, Betty and Charlie Johnson, Bob and Lillian Tyson, Terry and John Cary,

Percy and Lucile Brown, Bill Stone, and Bill Voehl.

Moon Northam and Bill Cunningham were in town recently and visited with '34-ers in the area.

Bill Cunningham says, "In EUCOM I get a chance to see quite a few of the Class and their wives—the Lee Millers in Munich, the Tom Footes in Berlin, and the Axel Waughs in Nuremberg. Moon Northam has joined Bert Spivey in the EUCOM setup."

Max McCrary dillied and dallied long enough to have his lovely wife Lydia join him for a tour in Europe. Will always be reminded of the first time I saw Max pull an airplane spin hold in the gym.

Jabo reported that Heck Davall will be finishing his career at Hq Southern California Sector Cmd in San Pedro. Good luck, Heck! Watch out for Bubbles!

The joint Army-Navy Luncheon for the Classes of '34 was held at the Arlington Hall Station on 15 Nov at 1145. Entertainment by the AF Singing Sergeants was outstanding, and Dale Smith can feel justly proud of their work. The committee of Schaefer, Stone, and Hillyard did a wonderful job. However, Bill Craig stole the show with a strip tease, bursting forth with pride his "Beat Navy" T-shirt. Some 12 of the Class joined in toasting the President and the classes. In attendance were Schaefer, Hillyard, Betts, Kern, Craig, Jablonsky, Bilbo, Tyson, Corrigan, Voehl, Walsh, and Dale Smith.

Word has it that Dave Routh is at Walter Reed and we are all hoping that he will bust out one of these days and come to the luncheon. All send their bestest, Dave, for a speedy release from Walter Reed.

Just learned that DeGuire is planning to retire 31 Dec when he returns from Europe.

Don Durfee writes from Lake Worth, Fla.: "Left St. Louis and turned over Cmd to 'Ace' Brookhart. Saw Jack Seaman in Granite City, Ill. The enclosed snap shows Thelma and me flanked by Dave, a 1st Classman at Canoe U, and Tom, a Cow at the old Alma Mater. Hope to be settled after 1 Jan 63 at 784 SW Seventh St., Royal Oakhills, Boca Raton, Fla." That citrus trek I planned is gradually turning into a month's leave with all the classmates now basking in the tropical breezes.

Johnny Darrah at Ft. Knox say Harry Hillyard made a fine address to the Armor School Career Class graduates. Graduating were Capts. Davall and Brookhart (Heck's and Ace's prides and joys).

Pat Mossman writes from Ventura, Calif., that he has now put away his walking shoes and is comfortably settled. He reported that Hal Browning is superintendent at the Presidio Golf Club and Joe Killian is Sixth Army Engineer. He also noted that a good place to look for a forwarding address to send news is in the ASSEMBLY, since ye scribe's address is there and he forwards all mail to Bob Kyser, the secretary.

J. B. Richardson writes from his retirement home on Gibson Island, Md., and seems relaxed. His son is a cadet at US Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N. Y.

Jim Wells, retired as G-1, First Army, on 31 July and received his second Oakleaf Cluster to the ACM. He and Janet plan to reside near Darien, Conn. Keep in touch, Jim.

For all a reminder, the 3d Thursday of each month the Class assembles for lunch at Bill's Beanery (Arlington Hall Station Officers' Club) and, as Bill would say, it is "the mostest." So if you are holidaying in the DC area, why not relax and bend an elbow with the Class.



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Hope none of you missed the excellent article in *Time* magazine's 26 Oct issue concerning John Kemper and Andover. If you did, it's worth a little research to locate an issue and read it. Of course you won't learn much more than you are already aware of concerning Johnny's many fine attributes, but his application and the results thereof in the education field makes very fine reading. In its own way, the Class of '35 takes a great deal of interest in Andover. Several class sons are in attendance and Ed Harris is one of the faculty members.

Chuck Symroski writes from Paris that he and Ann entertained several classmates during the MAAG conference last fall. Included were: Pen Wollaston, George Ruhlen, George Eckhardt, Bill Chapman, and Carl Isham. A nice letter from Ruhlen confirms the excellence of this affair. George writes from Pakistan that he picked up Pen and Polly Wollaston (who had made their way from Jordan to Beirut) and descended on Paris to meet up with the others.

Ruhlen reports all well with Mim and his two sons—"the older now riding with him and the younger on him." He continues: "As an aside it might be interesting to note that if anyone wishes something started out in this neck of the woods (and it doesn't take much to start anything out here), Sandy Horstmann is the attaché at Cairo, and Tucker at last reports was watching the horse races at Bangkok, and the mail for his next assignment. Mac Peeke is still keeping the Iranian Gendarmerie on their toes...." Thanks for all the news, George!

The Army-George Washington game offered an excuse for our largest assemblage of class talent. There must have been at least 30 at the game, but we were scattered around a bit so an exact accounting is impossible. Most of us missed Dunc Sinclair, but he assures me he was present, and that Stumpy Haug and Jeff Rumsey can attest to the fact. Milt Rosen, assisted by Ed Ferris, organized an after game party at the A-N Club, which brought most of us together. Anderson, Bernier, Rogers, and Robbins helped keep the ball rolling. Jeffus was over from Baltimore, where he is busy with research for Johns Hopkins. Stu Fries was on his way to Kilmer to be C/S there. John Thomas was showing pictures of the results of his recent elephant hunt in Africa—he got at least two. We were all glad to see Eunice Root at the party. The Bassitts were down from Bucknell, where Seib is PMS. Milt Taylor and Larry St. John not having much success talking class business. Ray Pillivant is now working on his master's in education at George Washington. Norm Edwards, with a second star and pre-Korea MAAG orientation under his belt, was much in evidence, as were also the Keatings, Thayers, and Howells. Bill Patterson is now with the Comb Devel Cmd at Ft. Belvoir. Good to have seen a couple of ex-'35ers who showed up at the party—Fred Cook and Harry Dalton. Harry now has a group at Anderson AFB. Among those who made the game but not the party were Mitchell, Leonard, Greenlee, Maroun, and Reybold. Peggy Mitchell had managed to break both legs stepping on a step that wasn't there, and was laid up at home. (However, we have seen her since and she was getting around quite well with the help of a cane).

Charlotte Cole and Marget Exton (from Monroe) also made the game—but John and

Hugh were working. I have that feeling that I've missed reporting on some others who turned out for either the game or the party. Please clobber me with some news, if I did, and I'll assure you space in the next issue.

From Dunc Sinclair, the following notes: At the Pittsburgh game in New York, there were Pat Mente up from Washington, and Jim Buck who lives somewhere on Long Island. Someplace around the 25-yard line at the Navy game were Jimmy Adams, Rouncy and Betty Rynearson, and Esther and Joe Keating. Ruth and Seth Weld came in from his Air Defense Bd Hq at Ft. Hancock. Ginnie and Nat Martin were down from Darien, Conn., where Nat is with IBM. Dunc also thought he spotted Bud Schlanser.

Getting together at an evening smoker of the West Point Society of New York at Governors Island on 29 Nov were: Jim Alger (CG, II Corps, Camp Kilmer), Stu Fries (Jim's C/S), Al Foreman (Dep C/S, First



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Army), Paul Bryer (CO, Ft. Wadsworth,) Bob Murrin (Ret), and Sinclair. Pretty much the same group turned up for another meeting a week later, with the addition of Russ Smith, also at Kilmer, who handles ROTC matters for II Corps.

Thus endeth Dunc's final report. He left his position with the Association of Graduates on 22 Dec for 33 Lenox Street, Asheville, N.C., to join the growing ranks of our retired. Believe me, your correspondent is going to miss his assistance in putting this column together in the future.

George Hill returned from Germany to become Deputy for Post Operations at Ft. Harrison. Tige Beall moved from Hood to the USATC Armor at Knox. Harry Harden is now living in Falls Church, Va., with duty at Arlington Hall Station. Ham Twitchell left Washington for Paris in early December to be with SHAPE. Tommy Gent was kept busy during the Cuban Crisis as Cmdr, 32d NORAD Region, which is responsible for air defense throughout southeastern US. Walt Bryde is the new C/S, Antilles Cmd, Puerto Rico. Frank McGoldrick (Corps Cmdr at Ft. Lawton) and Gene Orth (CO, Ft. Myer) have both been busy recently getting their daughters married. Among recent promotions to BG: Beall, Curtis, Schlanser, and Haug. Congratulations!

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.

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"Mr. West Point," William C. Westmoreland—along with thousands of the rest of us—had a bitter pill to swallow when the President's(?) Navy wallowed all over us on the first day of the twelfth month! Most knew how Westy set that squarest '36 jaw of his one year ago and determined, "Never let this happen again!" Well some of us saw the 1944 Army-Notre Dame game in New York City. When the "Bandits" do "carry the mail," the swabbies on the Severn will long remember the day.

Perversity being what it is, our two famous 'mates, Westy and Chester, did make news on that infamous day in Philly; because a masher moved up to take a closer look at Fitzgerald, cameras started popping, and lo and behold on the front pages appeared two pictures of our two major generals.

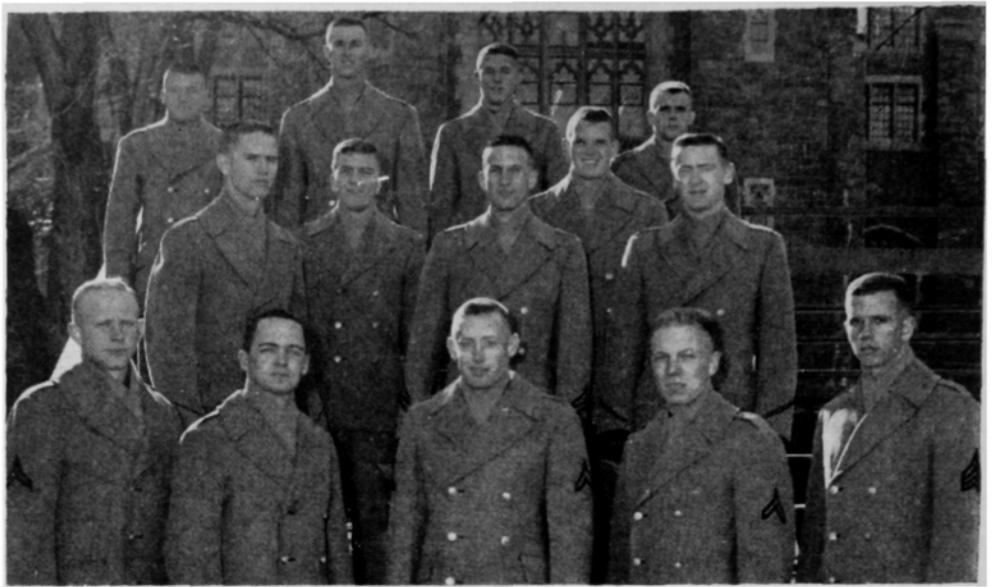
We are extremely grateful for the fine reporting job of young Larry Janof who assembled our outstanding cadet sons and the information concerning them. Here is a brief: There have been several '36 sons' meetings and all Plebes were recognized. Cato, 3 Cl, played on 150 football team and THEY BEAT NAVY!, teaches Sunday School. Crowder, 2 Cl, fencing club. Dorland, 1 cl, '36's first cadet captain, "A" soccer, coach inter-murder water polo, choir, Sunday school teacher, debate council and forum, ski club, parachute club with 4 jumps, "C" lacrosse. Drain, 1 Cl, gym team, ski club, audio club. Holterman, 1 Cl, president bridge club, "1st Board" on chess club. Hayes, 4 Cl, "A" choir, Plebe glee club, "C" soccer, fencing club. Janof, 1 Cl, "C" track, "A" track, ski club, French club, rocket society, debate council and forum, inter-murder athletic council. Swain, 4 Cl, "C" lacrosse, dean's list.

Just as these notes "were being put to bed," Jimmy and Gerrie Lampert honored Atlanta with their first trip—of course the day they arrived it had to be our first snow. How do you explain this so they don't think you're lying? I did show them a live banana tree that's growing downstairs in Helen Hess' bar as a feeble attempt. The Kieffers—having had the experience of Washington Class functions—threw a delightful supper party at Ft. MacPherson for Lamperts, Griffiths, DeLesderniers, and Gages. It's been several years, and not since the Cordes were here, that we've had a good ole '36 hoe down. Jim said he was sure there were more than he saw at the Army-Navy game, but he only accounted for Haywoods, Catos, Holtermans, Leers, Hayes, Chaffins, Klocks, and "Sailor" McElheny (he sat on Navy's side).

Heard from the Austins at Fontainebleau. After 5 years in Alabama, the Beards moved from Rucker to Monroe. Eight of 'em motored for 2 months in their '55 station wagon (that's a 2 year later model than mine). Have a pic of the 2d Inf CG, Chuck Billingslea, from nearby Benning. He, Kieffer, and several of our Lt sons were on "maneuvers" in Miss. The scribe of '40 ASSEMBLY notes, my very good friend Hand Brewerton, passed the time on his way through Atlanta in

November. He and Hank Adams keep the fine gentlemen of that Class on "the higher planes." I've always admired how Hank admonishes his troops because of no news—I'll swap places with him anyday.

Note from Roy Cole at War College—expects to be there another year. Claude Crawford also wrote from Fontainebleau and commented about the fine Navy graduation last summer he and Westy performed. The Currans are in Florida and Bob is quite an educator. A daughter is working for her Master's as a teaching fellow. Rumor says that Bill Conner is right now at Benning taking jump training. Jack Daly wrote from 1st Missile Brg at Bliss that his father, Hall of Fame Charles D. Daly '03, has had a football field named in his honor at the Academy—the field near Camp Clinton (old summer camp). This is great news since there was never any better than "Uncle Charlie." News from the "Davis desk" at Ft. Sam: "Charlie Pack checked in at G-2—still the same soft-spoken, pleasant guy. Saw Jack Daly with a star on each and every shoulder. Saw Randy Dickens (Ft. Monroe) and inadvertently knocked his nametag off, so he may be wandering around wondering who he is. Heard that Rutledge is with an institute at Kerrville (I couldn't make out the name)." Nap Duell is currently associated with E.F. Hutton Company at Chase Manhattan Plaza—a fine reputable name for all you traders and/or investors. Eddie Dunn reported from Carson. Quite often sees Jim Gunn, Rod Drake, and John Romlein. Had the pleasure of being with all my family, children, dad('09) and mother over at sister Betty's and her husband's as their guests. Called up Howell Estes and wished him happy turkey day. Found that he and family were just getting settled in their new home at Andrews. Howell is undoubtedly the most ardent '36 booster in the Class. Ben Evans wrote from Monroe and it was fascinating to read his address as "Engineer" Lane; I just love to see us goats "reminded." Elmer Grubbs ordered from Joliet, Ill., to Aberdeen, Md. There were a few mistakes in the address list you'll received, but none was so choice as the one pointed out by Ray Harvey: said he, "Was surprised to see my wife listed as a classmate." On the now famous Monday, 22 Oct, when the



1936: Pride of the Nation, Spirit of '36. Left to right: Hayes, Fergusson, Haneke, Swain, Mohlere, Kinard, Connor, Cato, Crowder, Holterman, Hartman, Drain, Janof, Dorland.

President was delivering his up-dating Monroe Doctrine address to the world, Tommy Hayes was in the air and on his way to Atlanta. A few hours later we enjoyed very much his company and discussion of many events—including those of the moment. The Hayes, a month later, hosted a Washington '36-er party which was a good one. The Kinards have quarters on post at Presidio of Monterey—lucky people to be out there! Orders soon to Iranian Gendarmerie, however.

Got two very long letters from Bill Jordan in Coral Gables. He's on threshold of starting to teach law; his daughter is teaching gifted children in high school. (what a lot of teacher-classmates in Florida: LeMoyné, Sikes, Hosmer, Arnold, Jordan). Comments from Art Joyce up in Sault Ste Marie indicate that I'm somewhat of a Confederate. Well it is a pretty fine place down here; and as a friend said, "Don't knock it, 'less you tried it!" Max Kallman wrote from Bliss that wife Jane has been in hospital and is recuperating now. Two daughters are graduates of Agnes Scott, Atlanta. One is married and has two children. Son Maxie is serving a hitch in Army—Japan.

Max said he saw a "young group" of officers at CONARC—Enans, Failks, and Beard. Bob Kessler commands Pusan Area, Korea; Maggie holds down the fort at Redstone, Ala.

Congratulations to recently promoted Asst Gen Mgr, Space Systems Div, Ralph King. He says he is busy all the time but knows Lockheed is outdoing all competitors, especially the Russians.

By this time everyone has heard of the heavy blow the Laurions suffered when son, Airman 1 Cl Frank, was killed in an auto crash 6 Oct. In a little over a year we have lost three children in the Class in automobiles—the price is too high! Can any of us drive slower, less, or more courteously? Larry misses the Army but has a good job with Eby Construction Co. of Wichita. He and Peg are grateful for the kind thoughts of classmates at time of their great loss. Larry Jr. plans to go to Georgetown U. to study international relations. Have been in contact with Ed Leach who's still interested in where and how the old gang of the 27th Div of 1932 have gone. He has a 17-year-old that might try the same route his dad started then. It's funny Ed and I haven't yet made contact because he's president of the Jack Tar Hotels that stretch from Frisco to Charleston and up to Lansing and down to Grand Bahama. Anyone else seen him? John Lynch has been transferred from Washington to MAAG, Ethiopia. Gil Dorland got mail and phone conversation from Ken Madsen who is with Inter American Engineering Corp—consulting engineers and architects in Minneapolis. The Gastons visited with him over a year ago too.

Bill Meany wrote from Frisco Ordnance Depot that he retired 1 Dec, and isn't sure which course to take. He believes initially he'll attend the Sorbonne. Mike Mikkelsen got a Master's degree from U. of Colorado in August. He had the Dunns over for lunch from Ft. Carson. Joe Nazzaro is CG at Westover—8th AF. The Partridges are CofS SETAF. Have a 7th and 8th floor wonderful apartment in Verona, Italy. Tuck tried to ski down an alp she could see from her window and broke her knee; now she's back to just "looking." Son Bruce—who's our second Rhodes Scholar—will bring the family unit together when he joins them for Christmas.

Persons' "personals" are, as usual, a major contribution to these notes. Virginia's Huntsville city desk flashes this news, the Murphy's



1936: Class at Kieffers. Left to right, Top; Griff, Liz Gage, Gage, Lampert, deLuke, Pete. Bottom; Mary Lee Griff, Gerry L, Lois K, Jane deLes.

ASSEMBLY was the only open news service, since Germany. The Atlanta service is repeatedly behind in not correctly carrying Jacoby as Gen Dep Comdr, Kaiserslautern, APO 227. Wert Williams is G-1 Stuttgart and lives in Pete's old house. Ted Clifton brought JFK down and introduced him to the famous '36-ers at Redstone. Betsy (Ike) Smith came to States to see a new grandchild. Bob Fergusson is moving to Heidelberg. Betty Chaffin no longer sells real estate in Washington. Bid and Lucille Warfield are in Monterey, Calif. Furphys, Katzs, Cookes, Maggie Kessler, and Persons all together on post.

Bev Powell left Bragg for OPS Washington. Doug Quandt in Omaha wrote indicating he "looked up" and read '36 news—guess I'm flattered. As indicated earlier, Quinns are back where they started from—Griffiss AFB, Rome, N.Y. Juana has gone back to work. She received an outstanding superior award by her office in Turkey before departing and was most pleased. She says America is the only country with "round door knobs"!

The "Eighth's Editor," Bruce Palmer, came through with news for your dateline: Cato left in August. Whitey Grove also left and is retiring; he's been rather ill. New Eighth G-4 is Hank Benson and an especially fine one. Ray Harvey (the real one) is doing a swell job as Army Engineer. Red Holton is still CofS, KMAG—has been a BG slot. Ed Thompson is a KMAG-er and very popular with Koreans. He's an expert on hunting, fishing, and agriculture. Sandy McCorkle is 5th AF with Hq in Japan, but visits Korea frequently. Newest arrival is Bob Kessler at Pusan. Jim Lampert and Steve Smith were expected visitors this fall, but it was called off (did Jim prefer Atlanta to Korea?). Bill Sibert (Bruce's brother-in-law) has a new address—925 Apache St, Tallahassee, Fla. Bill's another educated man; just got a Master's in international relations, and working on PhD. Your Korean Korrespondent has no peer when it comes to conscientious interest and effort in behalf of the Class of 1936 and its each and every member.

Glenn Sikes is teaching and learning. Currently he's studying real estate law; taking courses from U. of Fla. John Singletary finally got his '36 patch for his '36 blazer—but he had to wait over 3 months. Spencer is new Dir Ops at Wright Pat. Oren Swain in Oklahoma City visited Ft. Sill, Ev Hahney, CofS. Arty and Missile Centr, and Bob Safford, CG of Msl Brgd. Oren visited with director of Argentine's Military Academy and inquired about little Oren who's a cadet there. Little Swain's getting along fine, with exceptions that Spanish and horses are problems. Right or wrong he's No.1 in his class. Mike is in a company of 82 A/B at Bragg and, as stated earlier, Tom is dean's list Plebe at USMA. Vera is back to painting and will exhibit soon.

Clint True up at Selfridge took in several West Point games. His mother-in-law had a stroke and has come to live with him. Weaver ordered from Ft. Stewart, Ga., to ADGRU, Korea. Ben Whipple has for many years pursued a most interesting, though difficult to understand and follow, career. One time it was game-getting on the svelt of South Africa; now it's a combination of operating a tanker and oil supply—purchasing and shipping—with such exotic names to a country bumpkin (Georgia style) as Bangkok, Persian Gulf, Caribbean, Singapore, Bedford Village, etc. He's best reached via astro-travel. And the feats of his daughters can match any of our sons: youngest worked

post-college on Wall Street, then married last year. Older graduated Wellesley, designed book covers, and now is going for her Master's in art at Yale. I'm not quite sure how Phil Whitehead left Chatham, Va., but my latest from him is postmarked "Homer, Alaska."

Possibly not already mentioned changes to your address list: Carmichael—5051 Overlook Rd., NW, Washington, DC.; Champion—c/o E. Keyes, 1st National Bank, Crossville, Tenn.; Jacoby—C.O. Gen'l Depot, APO 227, N.Y.; Meany—c/o J. Meany, 214 Hammond St., Waltham, Mass.; Pack—G-2, Fourth Army, San Antonio, Tex.;

Late news: Luke DeLesdernier is Pers mgr for the south's most gigantic Grady Hospital in Atlanta. Cec and Bev Combs were the most attractive and interesting guests among 70-odd at an early December luncheon given in Dayton by Mrs. Betty Gage Cox (and Betty told me so!)

The following information is of importance to you, although somewhat indirectly. The issue of ASSEMBLY just before this was



1936: All the girls on Pete's bear (what?) (world's second largest bruin shot by Pete)

the last edited by Duncan Sinclair '35. He has now left this position for retirement. I merely wish to express here—and many of you don't know it—that for the year and a half he was editor he assisted me and you (indirectly) very much. Among items I shall remember him for, were standardizing names in heavy type face for easy identification; a new and very attractive column heading for each class; very rapid and accurate reproduction and mailing of our lists and special class circulars; and an almost over-brief method of clear and understandable communication with me. I wish Dunc the very best in his new pursuits and am sure he will be very successful.

Now the new editor comes to us as no stranger. He is Tommy Metz of '37. I think it is most fitting that classes on either side of '36 will be helping us keep our organization together and assisting in distributing what we are pleased to refer to as the "Spirit of '36," one of the most illustrious Classes to descend from the rocks up on the Hudson. If my lousy memory serves me at all, I think another auspicious omen in the arrival of

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.

Tommy is that he reached the rank of cadet first captain when he was at the Citadel and Westy was a yearling corporal at the same time and place. A few years later, Westy wore the six chevrons at USMA and Tom was a class behind us. Anyway we welcome Tom because he can help the Class of 1936 a great deal and I know he intends to.

Peace and happiness in 1963.

'37

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Time to wrap up CY 62. Elections in January will produce a much-anticipated relief. It has been such fun, it is only fair to share it with others. The regular luncheon season got off with a bang in September. Attendance was boosted by Hugh Sawyer from Fredricksburg, Paul Cullen from New York, and Dick Fellows from Wright-Patterson. When the outlook for the Reunion Book looked grim, Dick offered to take it over and get it done. However, before we could take advantage of his generosity, we got a good break locally and are now able to go ahead as originally planned and within our budget, thanks to some anonymous benefactors. It is being put together as of this writing. The November luncheon was the best yet—large attendance, unmanageable business meeting, exclusive showings of Trapper's shots of the Reunion. Jack Tolson came in from Ethiopia where he is in his 3d year as military attaché. He is enjoying the tour tremendously.

Our deepest sympathy to Chester Johnson and his family. Kay passed away 11 Oct after a brief illness in Mexico City, where Chester is the military attaché. The funeral was held at the Cadet Chapel, West Point, on Monday, 15 Oct.

As painful as any reminder of 1 Dec might be, I feel impelled to mention some of the witnesses. Oscar and Pat Steely in from Selfridge. Oscar still has a good set and could easily be heard above the din, shouting encouragement to the players and advising the coach. Finn Unger took a few hours off from the Joint Staff to escort charming Bailey. Pop and Alpha Metz—Pop gave us an insider's report. He is now the editor of this, among other duties as Sec-Tres of the Association of Graduates. The Walkers, the Poopy Connors, the Williams, the Randy Hines, Whitesells, Conrad Diehl. The Eubanks brought along their daughter Kitty and fiancé. Don Ostrander, a recent arrival to the Pentagon (aerospace research), has not changed in size, shape, or hairline.

Bill Bailey writes that he and Marge are getting the most out of Florida. He is at MacDill as Dep Dir of Intelligence, Strike Command. Bill and Marge are now grandparents by virtue of their eldest daughter Barbara, who just returned from Paris with her husband and 5-month-old daughter. They are now enjoying the residue of their family, only four at home out of the original brood of seven—Carl 14, Elizabeth 12, Lynn 6, and Bill 3. Dick Barden slipped out of the Washington area sometime in June and I believe is somewhere in CINCPAC. Thanks for the let-

ter, Johnny **Batjer**. If you don't get a copy of the reunion picture, the book will have one in it.

Scott **Hall**, who has been very helpful throughout on class business, reports a short chat with **Elmer Blaha** on 19 Oct, just returned from one year's duty as air attaché in the former French Congo. Found the tour interesting and challenging but regretted not being able to take his family with him. He and family are now enroute to Scott Field, Ill., where he will be with the USAF Communications School. **Phil Brant** ordered from Holabird to US Army Garrison, Ft. Jay, 20 Oct. **Ray Cheal**, Acting Asst CofS G-3 in ARADCOM, appointed liaison officer to the AD Center, Bliss. **Fred and Isabel Clarke**—the proud parents of the Queen of the President's Cup Regatta last month.

A note from **Ollie Connor** giving us a run-down on the SHAPE contingent: **John Stevenson** heading up Ops Div, **Bill Dodds** still Hq Comdt, **Larry Powers** is chief of the Establishments Branch in Pers and Adm Div. **Bill Dodds** expects to leave the first of the year for an assignment in DIA. **Kelsie Reaves** stopped by to see Ollie on a visit from Frankfurt where he is with the 3d Armd. The **Reaves** attended the christening of their granddaughter. Their daughter is stationed with her husband in Paris. **Monk and Ann Meyer** also stopped by on their way from Northern Area Command to his new job as Asst Div Comdr of the 1st Inf Div at Riley. Thanks for the info.

**Poopy Connor**, on Operation Bootstrap, is going for his Master's at GWU. Is also scheduled to go to Vietnam in January. **Dave Davisson** had his rendezvous with history and was so saluted by the *Journal* recently. Among the important actions during the last crisis, was his selection to head up the Peninsula Base Command which provided logistical and administrative support to all Army troops in Florida. **Marty Green** has joined ACSI after his tour in Turkey and is just as debonair as ever.

**Moose Hackford** dropped by the office the other day for a chat. Moose is in good spirit and fitter than anyone should be at our age; loves the mountains of Colorado where he gets in his share of hunting while civil engineering at AD Command. He needs to replenish the larder to keep his Air Academy son and friends stoked up. Moose plans to retire in about another year and settle in one of the valleys where he can continue to hunt elk, and fish.

**Frank Harrison** retired 31 May at Jackson, Miss., where he had been Comdr of the military district, and is now in residence at San Antonio. Are you up to your elbows in mulch, or have you abandoned the nursery idea? **Frank and Jean** are grandparents again by **Irene** who had a daughter in October. To celebrate the season I am including a snapshot which **Chuck Harrison** sent to me some time ago of his fine family. I hope they are all in as fine shape this Christmas as they appeared to be last.

**Pete Hyzer** will become New England Div Eng I Oct with Hq at Waltham, Mass. He has been on duty in Taiwan since Jul 60. **Charlie Kuna** goes from Hq USA Terminal Command Atlantic, Brooklyn, to the Eng Gp Okinawa next March. **Dick Klocko** up to the Pentagon on a short visit from San Antonio where he is Comdr USAF Security Service. Thanks to **Curt Low** for his timely report from Colorado Springs where he is Asst CofS NORAD. Expects to be leaving next summer for he knows not where. His eldest son, **Curt**



1937: A happy event for the Donohews. Son Kenyon, Jack and Dorothy. Congratulations.

**S. Low (not Jr.)**, a '61 graduate of Dartmouth, is now a Lt assigned to the 78th Fighter Wing, Hamilton AFB, with a wedding planned for 20 Dec to WAF Lt. **Marcia Sherwood**, same base. Their younger son, **Dave**, is a sophomore at Menlo College and hopes to enter Stanford next year. **Barbara and Curt** expect to attend the wedding, and send their best to all classmates and families. **Carl Lyons** is in town for a language course prior to going to Israel in May to be military attaché. **George Maliszewski** is to go to Korea (EUSAPERS-CEN) next March. He is presently with the 4th Training Regt, Ft. Dix. **Vic Mansfield**, now working for a large chemical company in Boonton, N. J., visited DC for the GWU game. Is putting mileage on a new Volkswagen.

Received a nice letter from **George McDowell**, together with a prospectus explaining his business activities. George is President of the Houston Area Retired Officers' Association which claims over 250 members. He left the electronic computer business to avoid conflict of interest situations and is now VP and Treas of **Clark-McDowell, Inc.**, Index Realty. With his partner, he has organized three corporations in 7 months and finds the world of business and finance the most fascinating thing he has ever done.

**Noel Menard** arrived in Honolulu from Okinawa with wife and twin daughters to take on an assignment with USARPAC staff at Ft. Shafter. **Obie Oberbeck** will leave the Pentagon in January to take command of the 1st Inf Div at Riley. With **Obie and Monk** the division will be in good hands. **Jim Pearsall** leaves the IG to join **Bob Marr**, **Ham Fish**, **Meyer Edwards**, **Bud Teeker** and possibly others at CDC. I have some very fine clippings of **Dave Parker**. Billed under Master Aviator, one describes **Dave's** activities prior to his assignment as Comdr TMC. His billion



1937: **Chuck Harrison's** family: **David 2**, **Jack 21**, **Bill 14**, **Jeanne 17**, **Peggy 1/6**.

dollar command procures the supply parts and maintenance services needed to support the Army's aircraft, rail, and marine equipment. **Ed Postlewaite** keeping busy in Strike Command with classmates **Bruce Holloway** and **Bill Bailey**. **Hugh Sawyer** graced the halls of the Pentagon recently for his 2 weeks' active (?) duty tour. **Hugh** got the big picture in a high level staff division. He is now back with his insurance business in **Fredricksburg**.

Finally got some information on our 1st Captain, **Stan Smith**. He just made captain once more, this time in the Coast Guard. **Stan** is Dean of the USCG Academy, after having put in 16 years as a professor. **Stan and Louise** lead a very active life. **Stan Jr.** is a junior at Wesleyan and **Susan** is at Springfield College. They also have three daughters at home, one, in high school and two in junior high. What a strategic location for the **Smith** family! We hope that **Stan and Louise** will maintain contact with the Class in spite of their present preoccupation with things nautical. A note from **Paul Scheidecker** who is Comdr of the Air Force Accounting and Finance Center. **Paul** must have gotten another star very recently, as my address book still shows him with only one. Congratulations!

**Scott Hall** and **Randy Hines** put on a very fine party for the Class at Arlington Hall Station Saturday evening, 15 Dec. Attendance was around 60. Saw people we hadn't seen in years, such as **Carl Lyons**, and **Ed Broadhurst**. **Ed** must have found the fountain of youth. We ducked out early but I understand from **Randy** that he and other more rugged types closed up the joint. By my count there are 65 classmates in the Washington area. This includes two civilians and 14 retired. Here's to a very merry Christmas and a prosperous and happy New Year for the Class of '37—she's a winnah!

'38

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Practically all the Washington chapter attended the November class luncheon at the Pentagon: **Andy (CH) Anderson**, **Ed Bailey**, **John Boyt**, **Bob Breitweiser**, **Burt Brown**, **Chesty Chesarek**, **Charlie Denholm**, **Trevor Dupuy**, **Sam Eaton**, **Curley Harvey**, **Mike Hayes**, **Sam Hogan**, **Keith Holman**, **Henry Huglin**, **Al Hulse**, **Chuck Jackson**, **Bob Kasper**, **Pete Kopcsak**, **Willy Langford**, **Jim Lynch**, **Gailon McHaney**, **Dave Sherrard**, **Bill Smith**, **Bill Sussman**, **Jim Taylor**, **Don Thackeray**, **Jesse Thomas**, **Hugh Wallace**, and **Ken Wickham**. **Bill Kieffer** and **Paul Preuss**, visitors from "the field," joined us. It was good to see so many newcomers join our ranks in the Pentagon. It might make it easier for some of us oldtimers to get out. Our sympathy to them and particularly to **Bill Beverley** who is back again after being away only 1 year.

**Bob Hill** is back in Washington again after several years. He is at ICAF. Understand **Bill Frederick** is at the newly-established Inter-American Defense College at McNair.

**Chuck and Dottie Jackson** report they saw the following at homecoming weekend at West Point on 13 Oct: **George and Betty Bixby**, **Mick and Muriel Amick**, **Emily and Si Sinreich**, **Jess and Barbara Thomas**, **Harvey and Peg Barnard**, **Carl Dapprich**, **Dick and Alice Stilwell**, **Andy (CH)** and **Midge Anderson**, **Gus Broberg**, **Johnny Jannerone**, **Fred Lough**, **Mert Singer**, **Frank Glace**, and **Alan Seff**.

Someone reports Mark Brennan, stationed in Hawaii, was in Washington for the AUSA meeting.

#### REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

Glenn Coleman pursuing his PhD at Oklahoma U.; Myrl Smith associated with AEC in Albuquerque; Chum Morrison teaching graphics at Rutgers while living in New Brunswick, N.J.; Frank Glace in promotion and public relations work lives at 2135 Willowbrook Dr., Huntingdon Valley, Pa.; Si Sinnereich with Republic Aviation on Long Island; Vince Elmore visiting the Pentagon on a quick trip from Sandia; Joe Conel commands Killeen Base, and Max Murray recently left Hood for Iran.

The Navy game brought out a sizeable contingent, including many '38 wives: Ashworth, Ward Ryan, John Boyt, Willy Langford, Alan Seff, Andy (GP) Anderson, Gailon McHaney, Harvey Barnard, Tracy Harrington, George Bixby, Trevor Dupuy, Jesse Thomas, Si Sinnreich, Dick Stilwell, Brown D, Chuck Jackson, Sam Eaton, Carl Dappreich, Dave Sherrard, John Tillson, Ben Sternberg, Mert Singer, Jim Taylor, Gus Broberg, Frank Glace, Kent Schmidt, Fred Laugh, Mick Amick, John Jannerone, Cozy Pitchford, Red Sundin. In spite of the sad results of the game, it was a grand get-together. With this large a contingent for next year's game, when Army clobbers Navy, it might be worthwhile to arrange accommodations for the Class at the same hotel or motel and have a class get-together of some kind. If interested, write in.

Fred Dean, Dep Comdr of 12th Air Force, Waco, Tex., writes: "It is indeed pleasant to be buried in the depths of Texas and away from the holocaust of Washington." Couldn't agree more, Fred!

George Abert has checked in as Dep Chief, USA Overseas Supply Agency in New Orleans. George, Marge, and George C. II reside at 6951 Schindler Drive.

USMA has nominated Jack Ryan for the 1962 *Sports Illustrated* Silver Anniversary All-America Award. Jack commands the 2d Air Force, SAC, Barksdale AFB. Congratulations!

John Corley, ADC, 2d Inf Div, writes from Benning: "Frank Miller, C/S MAAG, Vietnam—doing great job in Saigon, saw him in Vietnam after his return with wife from Hong Kong. Bill Fite and Hube Strange at Ft. Benning, Red Sundin, Dep C/S CONARC, and Don Williams, Dist Eng, Honolulu." At time of writing, John was looking forward to a hunting trip in Cuba.

Art and Nimmie Collins are basking in the Florida sun where Art is assigned as J-3 of STRICOM. Art has also been the J-1 and CofS of that "impressive" Hq which attacks the problems of inter-Service cooperation with great "vigah." On a short trip to Washington, Art said Florida is fine but he misses the four seasons. Some of us would like to trade places.

Six sons of '38 looking forward to graduation in '66 are: Timothy Adams, FY Hartline, John Kelsey, Wm O'Connor, Stephen Singer, and John Tillson.

Responses to the inquiries on the anniversary book have helped to bring addresses up to date: Chuck Young—Comdr 5th AF Reserve Region, Selfridge. G. P. Anderson, Box 326, Marion, Va., lives with his children, Laura 13, and Jeff 15. Buddy (GPIII) is working in Miami, and Nancy (Mrs. C. E. Hood) lives in Lake Wales, Fla.

Incidentally, Mike Hayes says to get your poop and pictures in for the Anniversary

Yearbook right away; also, your 25 bucks if you have not yet ordered your copy. Temp-est Fugit!

Mike has now assembled an almost complete file of current addresses except for the following: Buckland, Coleman GC, Demitz, Ford, Hamilton, Jaynes, Keater, Neff, Parry.

If you know addresses of any of the above, please let us know.

Mike Hayes and I would be happy to have you give us a call when you visit Washington so we can fill you in on reunion activities and get some notes for the ASSEMBLY. Also, check with Jim Lynch or Al Hulse to include you in any class functions which may coincide with your visit.

The Reunion Committee at West Point is going full speed ahead. You will receive some more poop on it soon.

# '39

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

As usual, the deadline catches your scribe at the worst possible moment, and the column will have to double for a lot of Christmas cards that otherwise would be possible.

To begin with the local yokels, the new Dep Dir of the Defense Communications Agency is one Jack Bestic, MG, USAF. Another entrant to the DOD level is Jimmy Collins, who seems to be permanently stuck with the language business, having been hauled out of Monterey to become Dir of the new Defense Language Institute. Andy Goodpaster has returned from the 8th Inf Div to become Special Assistant to General Taylor, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs. The Army reorganization has affected a few members of the Class: Jim Batte (ex-'39) has moved down from the Army Chemical Center to join the Congressional Affairs Division in Army Materiel Command Hq, and Homer Barber has become CO of the Ammunition Procurement and Supply Agency. Carl Buechner made the 40-mile move from 2d Army to Arlington Hall Station in December, and Johnny Johnson has joined the Defense Intelligence Agency as Chief of R&D.

While attending the Senior Officer Counterinsurgency and Special Warfare Orientation Course at Ft. Bragg, your scribe encountered J. T. Walker, who is advisor to the Reserve division in Hartford, Conn.: Jack Norris, CO of the helicopter school at Camp Wolters, Tex.: Sterling Johnson, who is working for Sailor Byrne in the G-3 Section, Fourth Army; Hal Crawford, who was about to move from the Artillery Board at Sill to XVIII Airborne Corps; and Danny Dannemiller, who is on the faculty of the Special Warfare School at Bragg. Sterling noted that Barton Lane is also at Fourth Army in G-2 Section. Bill Boyle came around to shake hands and said that his family has grown to nine and that Brownie Brownfield is also stationed at Bragg.

While we are on the subject of families, Spike Troiano shook up the social life of Ft. Douglas, Utah, where he is CO, Utah Sector Command, X Corps, by taking unto himself a wife, the former Mrs. Helene Crane, last summer. Spike very helpfully wrote Hank Brewerton (the permanent class reporter for 1940) about this, so that it and his other news arrived via Puerto Rico. Spike reports that Elder James recently obtained a PhD at the U. of Ariz. where he and his wife Erna are part of the student counseling bureau at the College of Liberal Arts; we may now

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.

reverently refer to him as "Doc" James. Spike's other news includes the information that George Jumper is Deputy CG of Lowry AFB and that Moe Donohue is CO of Hill AFB, Utah, where Jake Jacoby is Dir of Materiel for the Air Force Materiel Command.

Continuing with family notes, Mary Elizabeth Ragin (weighing in at 7 lbs, 4 oz) made Bill and Mary McCaffrey grandparents on 4 Nov at Ft. Campbell, Ky., where the proud papa is a Lt in the 502d Abn Inf; and Ace and Jean Shepard were presented with a new daughter on 27 Mar 62 in Germany, where Ace is Seventh Army Aviation Officer.

To wind up the news from CONUS, John Bane has become Dep CO of the White Sands Missile Range, and Don Simpson has retired to make his fortune. Much of the poop for this issue comes from faithful correspondents, including Frankie Joe Kobes, who ran into Billy Barnett and Art Reed at the Army-BU Game in Boston, where Billy is in the research business and Art is with the Artillery brigade there.

Another helpful writer was Mike Davison, who really covered the European situation. He says that USAREUR has the benefit of the services of John Paviak as IG, John Scroggs as CO of the Signal Brigade (a BG slot), Jim Keller as CO of the ASA Unit (also a BG slot), and Bill Preston in the Comptroller's shop. Mike reports further that seventh Army is blessed with Dave Dillard as Dep G-2 and Roger Lilly as Dep Army Arty Comdr, where they are providing the usual '39 dash and elan. Bert McCollam was the Seventh Army Engineer, but has joined the ranks of the retired in California and become State Commissioner of Reclamation. Pat Mulcahy, as CofS for the 24th Inf Div, has managed to turn out some first-class football and baseball teams, while running the division staff with real professional skill. Billy West has had to give up polo temporarily to command the CCA of the 4th Armd Div, although Mike remarks that rumor has it that Bavaria is about to see its first polo. Andy Goodpaster was replaced as CG of the 8th Inf Div by Swede Larsen, whose CofS is Jim Schwenk. Jim recently finished the jump school at Mainz. Dutch Kerwin commands the Div Arty of the 3d Armd Div and leads them all over Land Hesse in the Kerwin version of the cannoners' hop. Tom Dolvin is Gen Speidel's G-3 at Landcent. Jack Rippert is still in London and has become Dep Chief, MAAG, UK. Bob Richardson is doing something in Paris, but Mike can't recall, and Harry Hatchell (ex-'39) is Port Commander at Bremerhaven. Many thanks for the poop, Mike.

A few other people have joined the crowd in Europe, or will do so soon. Dave Matheson has gone to the American Battle Monuments Commission in Paris, and Harry Myers leaves CONARC for Germany in March. Ray Odom passed some items to Kobes (along with a donation to the class fund) to the effect that he will return from the G-4 Section of Seventh Army to the US in May, but has no assignment as yet, that Dick Wolfe is in the Seventh Army area, and that Jay Dawley is down in Leghorn.

Seth Hudgins made a trip to Ft. Richardson, Alaska, in September and found Al

**Ginder** there working for some high-level government agency. Al mentioned that **Curley Walton** is also stationed in Alaska, and **Steve Mancuso** arrives in January to join the staff of the USA R&D Office, Alaska, USAMTC.

**Johnny Olson** took the 1st BG of the 35th Inf from Hawaii to Thailand in September and brought them right back to Hawaii again in December. **Bob McMahon** has joined him there, having moved to USARPAC Hq from Okinawa. **Dick White**, Deputy CO of 55th QM Depot, ASCOM, Korea, had the unique experience of finding his son serving as a 2d Lt in the 7th Inf Div over there.

The uproar in Vietnam has dragged in **Bunny Adams** as J-5 US Military Assistance Command, where he will be joined by **Pat Patterson** in March. To wind up the news and moves for this quarter, **R. W. Page** has descended on Ft. Amador, C.Z., as a member of Headquarters US Army Caribbean.

It appears that the foregoing is weighted heavily on the Army side. Our Air Force contingent have no one to blame but themselves. Your scribe will be more than happy to print all the Air Force news he can get. Best wishes for the New Year!

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Santurce, Puerto Rico

As a result of my rather petulant attitude in the last issue of *ASSEMBLY*, various and sundry classmates from all over have come to the aid of your party so we are in business again.

Any of us who still read *The New York Times* and saw the issue of 27 Nov, no doubt recognized the CO of the 363d Tactical Reconnaissance Wing at Homestead Air Force Base, whose colors were being decorated by the President, as **Art McCartan** standing straight and true after all these years. Art's wing took the low-level pictures of Cuba.

**Len Orman**, who evidently has not learned Portugese to date, has not written me his usual Christmas letter which I always used in great detail in preparation for this particular *ASSEMBLY* offering. Apparently not many classmates pass through Rio where Len is stationed. I will check him personally in the spring when I will be in Brazil for the Pan-American Games.

A press release from ITT Communication Systems informs us that **Ivan Sattem** has been named the outstanding representative of commerce and industry by the Paramus, N. J., Junior Chamber of Commerce. Ivan is the director of operations of ITT Communications Systems and lives at 35 Oak Trail in Hillsdale, N. J. **Jim Maedler** is back after 2 years in Korea and has been assigned as chief, Plans and Operations Div, G-4 at Governor's Island.

**Charlie Shaunese** is back from Europe and stationed with Def Gen Supply Center in Richmond, Va. He makes following report on QM classmates: **Joe Hardin** is Dep QM at Orleans, France; **Chuck Esau** is with Hq Defense Supply Agency in Washington, D.C.; **Red Gideon** there too; **Manley Perry** is QM in Hawaii for the FEC. **Alan Strook** retires. I need his new address. **Don Bierman** with Defense Subsistence Supply Agency in Chicago; **Woody Vaughan** is with staff and faculty, QM School, Ft. Lee; **Hobart Pillsbury** with Def Industrial Supply Agency in Philadelphia, and **Art Barry** is with V Corps in Frankfurt. **Ted Biswanger** is QM, Second Army, at Ft. Meade; **Fred Schmaltz** confusing people at Ft. Campbell, and **Al Thayer** here in Puerto Rico.

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**Lanny Witt** writes that the **Crowns** and the **Witts** are the last remnants of the Class at Seoul and that the **Saunders** are in Taegu. The **Craigs** write from Austin, Tex., (3710 Gilbert St.) sending a Joyeux Noel to all. **Lee Cagwin** (who sent the lead in on **McCartan**) is stationed with Strike Command at MacDill AFB. He reports that there are three charters members of this new command from the Class of 1940. **Bill Francisco** and **Jack Dibble** are the other two. **Stan Smith** is the Base Comdr. **Jack Dibble** has departed for Rucker, where he recently won his "wings" or completed a solo flight. Either accomplishment is good for an old retired skindiver. **Otis Ulm** is teaching mathematics at St. Petersburg Junior College.

**Red Gideon** writes that **Ted Willis** has a school named for him in Fort Worth, Tex. **Ted**, killed in action, was a product of the Fort Worth school system and the new school bears the name of **Theodore Willis Elementary School**. Should any of you be stationed at **Carswell AFB**, your children will attend this school.

**Ray Downey** retired and living at 111 La Creciente in Tucson, Ariz. Has dabbled in real estate but is thinking of going back to school to become a teacher. **Sam Goodwin** in Heidelberg but expects to come back next summer. **Len Symroski** at Robins AFB from MAAG, Japan. **Don Bennett** sports those silver stars of the brigadier. **Jack Kenney** is the only member of the Class at Sill. **Shoss** has departed and is with IG USAREUR and **Con Murphy** is a student at War College. **Lederman** to Vietnam and **Fox Kramer** in OSD, the Pentagon.

**Homer Chandler** at the Presidio of San Francisco earns my gratitude for supplying following information: **Aber** from Redstone Arsenal to Korea, **Addington** from Carlisle Barracks to Korea, **Dick Belt** to Okinawa, **JB Bonham** also to Korea, to be joined there by **Ben Delamater**. **Scott Case** to Panama and **Frank Devlin** to Stanford U. (there is a real challenge for this institution.) **Bill Clay** to France, and **Brown HC** to Ft. Sam Houston. **Jenks Floyd** to Okinawa. **Bill Gildart** from Colorado Springs to Iran. **Jim Hennessy** from Harvard to Holabird (a real jump.) **Bill Kasper** to Ft. Belvoir, **Art Nelson** to France, **Taylor** to Hawaii, **Thad Nosek** to Belvoir, **Dick Free** to Norfolk.

**Word** has been received that the following members of the Class have retired within the past year: **Bob Cameron**, **England SP**, **Mickey Fellenz**, **Gus Gushurst**, **Marvin Jacobs** (living in Memphis), **Jim Lotozo**, **Ray Millican**, **Bill Shanahan**, **Woody Smith**, **Sam Webster**, and **Wright HT**. If you have already designated last resting places, please send me addresses; if not, send me interims.

**Carey O'Bryan** is at Kirtland AFB in New Mexico. Reports that **Labreche** is at Luke AFB, Ariz., as Dep Wing Comdr. **Ford Fuller** going to Italy. **John Coontz** sends picture of very healthy and attractive family, poolside in California. It figures. Health from **Big John** and beauty from **Tyke**. **Meszar** and **Tad Floryan** holding fort in Europe (Heidelberg). **Loewus** a grandfather twice within the last year at Ft. Bragg. **Larry Klar** and **Tony Wer-muth** with SHAPE, Paris, France. **Joe Couch** dodging typhoons with **Merchants**, **Robinsons**, and **Belts** in Okinawa. **Luther Arnold** in Europe. **Manzollilo** and **Krauss** in Rome. **Mike Kuziv** at Bragg. **Deems** to France next summer. **Walt Swank** to Ft. Story, Va. **Bates** at Monmouth.

Should you hear a deep rumble coming from Florida it will be **Don Baumer** coming from Europe for a Miami Beach convention,

arguing with the dean of class insurance men, **Jim Humphrey**, as to who is to pick up the check. Both will be waiting for **Gillem** to fly in. **Castillo** at SEATO Hq, Baguio, PI. **Wally Clement** in London. **Bert Johnson** in Missouri after service in El Salvador. **Cee** has two gals in college. **Jim Greene** in Germany. **Dick Kent** in Washington, as is **Don Yeuell** and **Ferrill**. All retired but busy. **Raking** leaves it appears. **Rooney** retired, but where? **Raleigh** retired in Colorado Springs. **Yates** in Boston. **Haggard** in California. **Freudendorf** taking course in journalism at U. of Ala.—views these works with a critical eye. **Bill Kintner**, professor of urbanity, U. of Pa. Good host, to that I do attest.

A few furtive letters have arrived concerning a 25-year book. This would mean outlay by each member of the Class of the maximum of 15 dollars. Would appreciate ideas pro or con. Write me.

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Since the Christmas letter will cover far more class news than the space in this column would permit, I will attempt to give only the highlights. We have much to be thankful for this year, after the Caribbean crisis and in spite of the "Philadelphia fizzle."

Newspaper release shows a picture of **Ed Buttery** receiving the colors as Bn Comdr of the 3d Msl Bn of the 81st Arty, Ft. Sill. **Poopy Ellis** reports from Ft. Clayton, C.Z., that **Ed Rowny's** orders to be CG, 1st Cav Div, were changed and he has gone to Vietnam. **Jim Graham** received orders for "don't know where," leaving none of the Class at Bragg.

The sad news was reported in the *ANAF Journal* that **Dan Salinas** died of a heart attack on 18 Aug while on duty in Pakistan. **Alicia** can be reached at 1613 Chicago Ave., McAllen, Tex.

**Butch Rising** writes from his new job as G3, Hq Northern Area Comd, APO 757, N.Y., that he left Ft. Bragg and has now settled in Germany after a hectic summer with Exercise **SWIFT STRIKE**. "Saw **Jack Norton**, Sec'y for the Howze Bd, and missed **Don McMillan** who was going to the Airborne Electronics and Special Warfare Bd. **Jeanne**, **Harry III**, and **Judy** are enjoying Frankfurt."

The *ANAF Journal* reported the following promoted to colonel: **Borman**, **Layfield**, **Maxwell**, **Pigue**, **Felchlin**, **Fowler**, **McGrane**, **Barrow**, **Male**, **Upton**, **Knowles**, **JO Greene**, **Molesky**, **Cooper**, **Faulkner**, and **Al Meyer**.

**Wendy Knowles** is being transferred to the MAAG in the Philippines and **Al Muzyk** to Holabird. Received a wedding announcement announcing the marriage of **Nancy Browning Campbell** to **Mr. David A. Harris** on 27 Aug.

Also from the *Journal*, Soviet-speaking skydiver, Lt. Col. **Paul G. Skowronek** is new Armor Center Reserve Affairs officer, Ft. Knox, Ky. He is president of Sport Parachute Club there. Teaches Russian at Army Education Center. Col. **Guy H. Goddard** has been appointed civil engineer of AF Logistics Comd under Gen. **Mark E. Bradley, Jr.**, at Wright-Patterson AFB. Maj. Gen. **J. E. Gill** has departed the AFLC billet to become senior member of UN Armistice Commission in Korea. Col. **Goddard**, Gen. **Gill's** deputy since Aug, received his Master of Science in civil engineering from Texas A&M in '47.

Army concept team has been established in Vietnam "to study the organizational and operational techniques utilized by the Viet-

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namese Army in the employment of military equipment provided under the Military Assistance Program." B/Gen Edward L. Rowny, formerly of JCS Joint Staff and recently Asst Comdr of the 82d Abn Div. Ft. Bragg, is chief. Named for 2-star rank, he had been under orders to command 1st Cav Div in Korea. Rowny, 45, is considered one of Army's top young generals. B/Gen Duward L. Crow, from duty as Dep Dir of the Budget, to Hq AFSC, Andrews, for duty as DCS/Comptroller, AFSC, 1 Feb 63.

Col. Paul Gray, Jr., recently received the Army Commendation Medal at the US Army War College, Carlisle Bks, Pa. Col. William W. Brier, VC of the 44th Strat Msl Wg. Ellsworth AFB, recently received the USAF Missile Badge from his father, retired Army Col. William W. Brier. The event brought to mind the fact that the elder colonel also presented his son's pilot wings 21 years ago. The Army Commendation Medal was recently awarded to Lt. Col. Robert J. Coakley, now Information Officer for the US Army Materiel Comd, Washington, D.C., for doubling circulation of the *Army Information Digest*. He was editor of the *Army Information Digest* from 1958 until 1 Jul 62 when he was named AMC Information Officer.

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To start off the Gloom Period with a ray of sunshine, shiny birds are now being displayed on the overloaded shoulders of Black John Carpenter, Bud Clapp, Jeff Davis, George Eckert, Leon Hamerly, Larry Lahm, Art Lambert, Bob Rawls, Rube Rubenstein, Rollin Steinmetz, Hank Urrutia, and Ed Wright. By the time these words reach you, there may be many more from last April's list from whom you can cadge a libation or a cigar.

Orders are pending or effected for Frank Koisch to Dist Engr, Ft. Worth, Len Pasciak and Phil Wyman (now in our neighborhood, praise be) to DC, Ben Hill to Korea, Roy Geiger to Ft. Lewis, Rog Russell to Belvoir, and Jack Heard—Spanish (Ecuador), and Fred Standish—Greek—to the Army Language School.

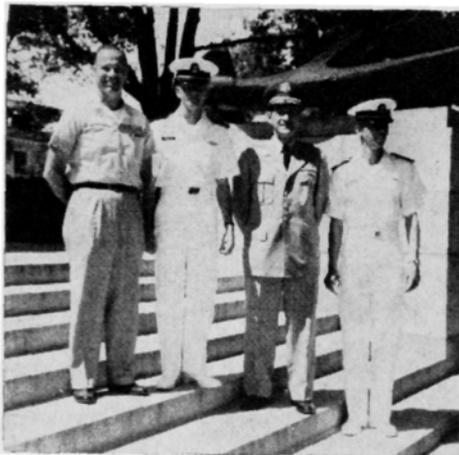
Buck Rogers retired 1 Oct, status unknown (Come in, Buck, over). Dick Horridge turned in his blue suit 31 Oct and now works for General Precision—a conditioned reflex, I guess—in Little Falls, N.J. (He, Claire and the two older gals made it to Philly to ease back into the swing of life in the effete East). Chuck Bortell and Al Frawley are reported to be in the ranks of the old soldiers, info is desired. Lee Jones has joined Sylvania Electronics in Needham, Mass., and Bob Brugh solves an Army housing and transport problem by retiring 31 Dec.

Tidbits—Don Blake proved his vigah and upheld the honor of the USAF by completing jump school at Benning last summer; Bunky's dad reports the Scofields well ensconced at San Berdoo (sampled his hospitality recently, Bunky, and it was tops!); Dean Short is Chmn of the C&S Dept's Defense Comm for Personnel and Logistics at Benning—but more importantly holds the same job on the golf committee; Jack Crowley is AMC's project manager for the Iroquois. Doc Hyde has almost completely recovered after staying with the Evanses at Maxwell in September. Recent issues of the *Journal* have pictured Ginger Cutler with Mrs. Fenton, Mrs. Westmoreland, and Chaplain Speers at the dedication of the "Fenton Room" (Reception Room) at the

Cadet Chapel; announced Mrs. W.D. Tatsch as hostess at a recent luncheon of the Army Finance Officers Wives Club; reported that Lt. Col. R.R. Evans had presented to the Home for Retarded Children in Montgomery the keys to a bus which the Squadron Officers School had helped to donate; advised that Mrs. T.S. Arms had modeled in a fashion show for the ladies of the post at Ft. Hood; and pictured Hal Rice and three other old timers at Rucker after completing their first solo flights!

At the September DC luncheon, Rog Barnes reported having seen Bob Terry and Bud Ryder in Paris, dining with the Hottenroths and imbibing with the Cages there, and seeing the Davies in Heidelberg. Fran Roberts also knows how to fly in the face of danger. He "did" Paris with the Ryders, Vivians, and Cages. Onion soup at 4 a.m. (Surprise), and talked to Betty Hays in Berlin where Sam has a BC.

Harv Shelton lured some 50 of us—from Roger and Dorothy Barnes to Betty Young,



1942: Left to right: J. W. Barnes, J. W. Barnes, Jr., S. W. Josephson, Dave Josephson.

Rip having been out in the great Northwest—to an excellent formal dinner-dance at Bolling on 13 Oct. The open bar before dinner created two categories—wives subjected to irresistible pressure to get there on time, and husbands trying to create a deficit operation for the club. Good food, good music and surplus gals—the demands of Cuber kept several husbands at the Pentagon—made for a gala evening. I won't tell who closed the party, but if you guessed the name of a local class chairman with a wife named Shirley and a senior Service school student whose name bobs up offlcy often, you'd be on the right track. Jeepers but this news-gathering is tough on the health!

The local West Point Society sponsored a cocktail-buffet luncheon before the Army-GW game. '42 turned out in great number to include Bob and Elsa Kates who came up from the JAG School at Charlottesville, and Tom Hanley, who said he was back from Germany on business but managed to find time to marry off his little sister and sneak in a visit here with his padre brother.

Jack Barnes wrote that he and Mary had been down to USNA for Parents Weekend in late August to see Johnny. They found Stan Josephson there all the way from Germany to see Dave and sent along the picture of the two fathers and sons, taken by Bob Beers! Jack and Al Hunter find the Navy life pleasant, so much so that the Barnes family has given up plans to spend Xmas in DC.

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Bill Harrell—probably soon to retire in order that daughter Sharon, her horses, and her riding classes can support him in the style he'd like to become accustomed to—managed to land at Kincheloe AFB in late Nov—they'd only had 14 in. of snow by then—and saw the Wing Ops Officer, Col. W. Cloyd Plott. Bette Lou had just solved the problem of making drapes for their huge windows by inspiring a move to new quarters with drapes in place!

Jim Studer sent a note expressing his determination to arrange for a longer stay at the 25th in order to have time for a few more limited sessions instead of just one big blast like the picnic. George Rew's card, which arrived too late for the Xmas newsletter, states that he finds Formosa fine and a great place for malacology. Duke Grimshaw came through with a clipping from the *Chicago Tribune* naming and picturing a group of 24 individuals selected to be honored by the Illinois Club for Catholic Women. The honorees ranged from Sir Edmund Hillary to Col. Robert G. Brugh, Jr., Bob's work as Dir of ROTC in Chicago's high schools occasioning his citation. Very fine indeed, Bob, and thanks, Duke, for your eagle eye.

At the local November luncheon, which brought a special turnout to include most of the intelligentsia from the NWC and ICAF, the awards voted at the class meeting at the termination of June Week were presented to the local recipients, and John Sitterson advised that the ones for Dick Horridge and Fred Rosell were on the way to them. The plaques are not the usual run-of-the-mill but are truly handsome—heavy mahogany with a bronze plate bearing the individual's name and the message and a heavy, bronze replica of the Academy Seal at the top. John really did a job as the Committee! 'Twas nice to have Dave Rowland and Jesse Lewis there to receive theirs personally. Must confess that yrs trly was extremely proud and grateful—but somewhat embarrassed at seeing the good original idea of recognizing the prime movers of the Thames Turbulence, Threads of Gray and Threads of Gray-Second Decade so prostituted!

My journeying provided the opportunity to raid Bill Zimmermann's private stock in September. Seeing Bill and then looking at those two cute kids makes you appreciate how hard Mother Nature has to work at selectivity and what a remarkably fine job she does. Take a bow, Johnni! Arrived at Benning at 1155 hours on an October Saturday, and at 1242 was changed, fed, and on the 1st tee with my borrowed clubs in hand, alongside my partner Dean Short, my opponent Sam Koster, and Sam's partner, guaranteed fit to carry an Inf Col 18 holes! The Columbus West Point Society had a cocktail party on Sunday, after which Cherie and Sam had the Seiferts, Gates, and Dean Short (Emily was under the weather—or too smart) for dinner and a most pleasant evening. Ink Gates, ex-friend, insulted me beyond apology by taking his Engr Grp out in the field a day later and allowing Pat to have me over for cocktails in his absence. The fact that both mothers were there helped to salve my wounded pride! At Sill I trick-or-treated the Farringtons into opening their door and had a good visit with

Ed, Mary, and Mary's mother. The new Artilleryman seems slightly bemused but well pleased with his red scarf. At Aberdeen in late November, Joe Cannon reported but one of the tribe with stitches at that precise moment! In the North Terminal of DC Airport recently, the polite fellow looking to see if I would be inconvenienced if he rotated the circular bookrack turned out to be Ben Hardaway on his way back to Eglin from a quick trip to Andrews in an attempt to wangle some out-of-date supplies. All Hardaways are reported well but unhappy at the thought of ever moving. Descended on the Carlisle set in mid-December. Poor Bob and Marcie Bringham wined and dined the scribe *again* and then the Fergussons provided the post-prandial drinks and forum for us, the Krafts, and Garth Stevens who was there with a guest speaker from Omaha. Also cocktailed with the Ulsakers and lunched with Dan Halpin, Bill Crosson, and Carl.

In the past few weeks Sam Koster and Shirley Sheffey have lost their mothers, and Harv Shelton and Pat Gates their fathers. I know that all of you join in extending them our sympathy.

I trust that all noted the sad news in the Xmas Newsletter that in early October, Chet Ladd's courageous battle against pain and despair had ended. A member of almost every local '42 family was with Marion for the services at Arlington. Classmates served as Honorary Pallbearers, including Bob Evans who flew up from Maxwell. Marion has continued to display the fine qualities which have so well sustained her. She and the children will remain in Hyattsville for at least the balance of this school year. Your notes and visits will be welcomed.

The December deadline has been permanently extended to allow a report on the Navy game. Report: great attendance by '42, great weather, great sufferin' succotash!

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Classmates now stationed at USMA are Art Sebesta, Don Wilbourn, Bill Wade, Les Heltzel, and Burt Hood. Wilbourn, Wade, and Heltzel are in the Dept of MA&E, Hood is on the post staff as Asst DCS for personnel and administration, and Sebesta is the SigO. That SigO job has been held down by the Class for over 10 years. John Moses came in in 1952 and turned the job over to Joe Benson in 1956. Rex Minckler had it for a year, succeeding Joe in 1959. Art Sebesta took it from Rex in 1960 and will be there through Jun 63. The arrival of Bill Wade last summer brought Don Wilbourn the tennis opponent he was looking for; the two started a continuous rivalry that only the wind from the North Pole has temporarily interrupted. Les Heltzel and Burt Hood have confined their athletics to golf and squash. Art Sebesta has been taking it relatively easy since becoming a grandfather. His daughter is a member of the Class of '61 now; Art asks if we have any other grandparents in the Class? Jack Upchurch spent his 2 weeks of active duty at West Point assisting the resident engineer. Jack Jr. is attending college at Florida U. I heard from Paul Andrepont during the fall—he was preparing for a short trip to Canada, and was checking on the location of classmates in the Ottawa area. Paul Jr. is a freshman at Purdue.

I'm sure we were proud and happy for Jim Dempsey to see and read that he was cited as

being one of the One Hundred Outstanding Young Men in the United States today. *Life* devoted a Sep 62 issue to these men who are the leaders in various fields of our nation's activities now, and in the future. All of the Class wishes you continued success, Jim. We had a nice class turnout for the George Washington game played at the DC Stadium. After the game the Van Duyns had an open house at their home. At that period we had the Army team going on to an 8 and 1 season, but—we were wrong. Received a letter from Pat Wardell. He's now in Bangkok, and welcomes all who travel there, or through there, to drop in.

Some addresses at random of our classmates around the world. Rex Minckler has left the mild climate of Portugal for Germany, where he is CO of the 440th Signal Bn(C). Hoppo May is in Los Angeles with the C of E Ballistic Missile Construction Office, 5651 W. 96th Street. John McGowan is in Reserve duty at Lexington, Ky. Jim Michael has a BG in the 82d Abn at Ft. Bragg. Danny Moore is also at Bragg on the staff of the XVIII Abn Corps. Ernie Ravlin also at Bragg with the Special Forces. Howie Moore in ROTC duty at Boston College, Boston, Mass. John Moses, Chick Alfano, and Jim Schofield, all at Ft. Monmouth, with the recently organized electronics command of the Army Materiel Command. Ed Murray enjoying life in Texas with Hq 75th Maneuver Area Command at Houston. John Nickel is keeping in touch with things at the U. of Mich., Ann Arbor assigned to the USA liaison group there. Cecil Page is a comptroller type with Hq USAREUR. Pete Pavick is in Texas with the 5th Missile Bn(NH), 517th Artillery, Dysee AFB. Joe Stabler also in ROTC, U. of N. H., Durham, N. H. John Stephens and Fred Spann serving at Ft. Sill. Howard Wehrle is assigned to the Combat Development Command, Ft. Belvoir, Va. John White in Vicksburg, Miss., with the USA Engr Div. I had a call from Jack Armstrong, who was in Arlington Towers Va., from Greece on TDY. He reports things are well in hand over there. Jim Aleveras is also in Greece. The address is JUSMAG, Greece, APO 223, New York. Roy Wilson is with Hq Fourth Army, at San Antonio, Tex. Duke Windsor is assigned to the USA strategy and tactics analysis group, Bethesda, Md.

As you are reading this, our 20th Anniversary has probably come and gone. We have had appropriate reunions on a world-wide basis, and all agree that the first 20 years are the hardest. The plans for the 20th Reunion HOWITZER are about to be executed, so please respond promptly when contacted.

Once again, send us the poop on your family and your classmates. We all want to know how you are doing.

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Alexandria, Va.

It's with deep regret that I must announce to the Class the death of Pat Hurley, who was killed, together with his son Robert, in an automobile accident 7 Oct, near Grand Rapids, Minn. The entire Class will mourn him, and all extend their deepest sympathy to Jeanne. Pat and his boy were buried at Arlington; the services at Ft. Myer were attended by his friends and classmates in the area.

I am at somewhat of a loss to give class news, having been a bit out of things myself for the last few years. Please forgive me if I

duplicate some of the announcements of my predecessor, Bill Malone, who is still shirking around this Pentagon. First, here are some unchecked items I have been furnished from various sources. Bill Brabson has retired after more than 22 years' service; we wish him good luck. Johnny Moses is going from Ft. Bliss to the USA Standardization Group in England, which at least will give him a chance to see rain again. Bill Cover is due to join some part of ACSI in Feb; he comes from the 2d Armd at Hood. Bethel Edrington has gone to school again for some reason beyond the scope of this text and will belong to the CINFO when he leaves University of Alabama in Feb 63. Milton Pigg reports into ACSI sometime in the near future; prior condition of servitude unknown. Jesse Fishback—with help of wife—has produced a sixth child and new son, Jeffrey Charles, born 20 Aug 62; congratulations and loud applause. Incidentally, Fishback is at Redstone Arsenal; can missiles have some strange effect of which the scientists are as yet unaware?

J.M. Keck has assumed command of the 4137th Strategic Wing at Robins AFB. T-square Jackson has been assigned to L.G. Hanscom Field, doing what is still unknown; he comes from a tour with the RAF. Art Surkamp was just awarded the Army Commendation Medal for his service with the Army Eng Maintenance Center in Columbus; as of this writing, Art is at Carlisle. Bill Peak, III, recently passed through DC on his way to the Special Warfare Center at Bragg—passed through grumbling and then disappeared from human ken. Pinky Winfield was also seen wandering through the halls of the Pentagon back in August; he was here on TDY from PACOM and lost no time in returning there. Hank Romanek also came through, just visiting on leave from the Point. Del Perkins will be leaving the pleasant climate and periodic explosions of Caracas sometime in June 63, assignment as yet unknown.

The above is all I am able to offer concerning members of the Class outside Washington. Part of my excuse lies in the fact that nobody tells me anything, part of it lies in the fact that most of us are apparently here infesting the Pentagon and other impressive public buildings. I will not try to list all the names, but will give the names of those whom I know are recent arrivals, or are about to have their status changed.

L.V. Hayes is in ACSI; why that section needs a tennis player, I cannot say. At times, I see Allan Jones going by; he is always running so must be in DCSOPS. Dutch Umlauf is sojourning briefly in ACSI; he leaves in June for Mexico City to be an Asst Military Attaché—our collective heart bleeds for him. Bernie Rogers arrived not long ago to work in the front, front office. Duane Tenney has come to DCSOPS from Korea. Eduardo Soler is planning to escape from ACSI by taking flying training at Ft. Rucker, departing sometime in June 63.

There have been two class parties in the recent past, both successes, although not as much glass seems to get broken as—let's say—10 years ago. The first was organized by Ed Shaefer, Dale McGee, and Bob McCanna; it was well attended and I apologize but anyone who is expecting to see a list of those present will be disappointed. At this function, Bud Rundell was too slow on his feet to avoid being elected to organize a cocktail party after the George Washington game; he and his lady did nobly.

Poor Frankie Snyder, Dick Snyder's wife (he's at Andrews AFB with the Systems

Command), broke her leg in September when she fell in their house; either fell or the cruel Dick hit her with a chair.

I went to the Navy Game, sat next to Charley Pence (he's still here in Washington with CIA), and came right home.

Please send any information you may have to me.

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Mr. G. Buford Norman  
2991 Iroquois  
Memphis 11, Tenn.

Our Class has a pretty good group in Vietnam for the time being, although some will be coming home this spring. Winston Anderson is Operations Off for the 2d Air Div, Inglas is with the 2d Air Div, Charlie Johnston is with the Mil Adv Grp, Robbie Robinson is with the Eng Grp, and Fred Keifer is with Hq of the Mil Assist Comd. I think Jack Cushman is in Vietnam by this time or will be there shortly. Anderson and Keifer are due to come home early this spring. I am sure none of the families are with them and only home address I have is of Alice Keifer who with their three children is living in Russellville, Ark. until Fred gets home this spring. The Jim Scoggins family is out in that part of the world now in Bangkok, Thailand. The Scoggins went out late this fall and have found things rather hectic in Bangkok, though now the children are settled down in the International School and a bit of order is developing in their life over there. Jim's address is ARPA, APO 146, San Francisco, Calif. I think those who are in Vietnam can be reached through APO 143 in San Francisco.

The group of classmates in and around Los Angeles continues to get together from time to time and keep things going out there. Seems like Frank and Marge McArdle have been instrumental in stirring up activities for the group. Bob and Carolyn Callan have been in Los Angeles about a year, where Bob is with Hughes Aircraft Company as an engineer. Al and Enes Wald are still out there where Al is back with Hughes Aircraft after doing some work with a technical publishing company. Ted and Norma Bartz have managed to settle down after a rough year or so when Ted was quite sick, but is doing fine now after successful surgery. Ted is business manager for The Research and Development Division. Tom Moore had been out to visit from Colorado Springs and as you may know, Tom recently left the ranks of bachelorhood. I don't have Tom's wife's name but it sounds like a happy match. Channing and Alva Gilson are still in Los Angeles where Channing continues to do well with his industrial design business.

Bill Bingham recently finished the course for academic instructors at Maxwell AFB and is now signed as a professor of air science with the AFROTC unit at Stevens Institute at Hoboken, N. J. Bill and Helen have four children now and should be settled down in his new job by this time.

I had a nice visit with the bunch at West Point back in November and during the course of one evening we managed to eat and drink everything that Anne Cabaniss could put before us. At West Point now are Jelks Cabaniss, Bob Day, Les Halstead, Don McWilliams, Bob Smith, and Ginks Pitts, who is living in Highland Falls with the children until Kern gets back from Korea.

Art and Betty Hyman are at Carlisle Barracks for the War College course there. George Blanchard got back from Korea in September and is back in Washington with

Beth and the children. Also at War College at Carlisle Barracks are John and Annette Sullivan after returning from 3 years in Europe. Anne and Ollie Patton have moved to 4446 Que St., NW, Washington. Dallas and Helen Knoll still have the latchstring out for any of you going through or near Ft. Worth. John and Gretl Donaldson and two sons now at AWC at Maxwell AFB.

Jim Connell has finished Navy duty and is now at Benning as G-3 of the 2d Div. On arriving at Benning, Jim found Mulkey, Kutchinski, Emley, Douglas, and O'Donnell there to offer advice and assistance on leading the life of a bachelor.

Greg and Barbara Gregory left Cincinnati this fall and now are living at 5300 Westbard Ave., Washington, where Greg is with defense programs operation of General Electric.

News around here is about as scarce as hen's teeth and I am beginning to agree with one of the classmates who wrote and said that he believed the 3-year course has probably had some effect on our ability to write and correspond. Would appreciate hearing from any of you, either here or through P. O. Box 44 at West Point, in order that we may pass on information on classmates' doings and whereabouts that you might not be able to find otherwise.

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Lt. Col. Delbert M. Fowler  
Box 15  
Ft. Myer, Va.

#### NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE

John C. Bennett, Inf; Charles F. Carter, Jr., Inf; Herbert J. McChrystal, Jr., Inf; Ira A. Hunt, Jr., CE.

#### INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE

Robert E. Hayes, Armor; Wm. B. Hankins, Inf; David C. Clymer, CE.

#### ARMY WAR COLLEGE

Abram V. Rinearson, III, Armor; James A. Munson, Arty; Rolfe L. Hillman, Jr., Inf; Raymond O. Miller, Inf; James W. Morris, Inf; William V. D. Ochs, Jr., Inf; James K. Patchell, Inf.; William O. Perry, Inf; John J. Powers, Jr., Inf; Donald V. Rattan, Inf; Charles E. Spragins, Inf; Lucien K. Truscott, Inf; Bates C. Burnell, CE; Ernest L. Hardin, Jr., CE.

#### AIR WAR COLLEGE

Andrew J. Gatsis, Inf; James A. Herbert, Inf; Claude McQuarrie, Inf; James T. Root, Inf; Richard H. Groves, CE; William J. Love, CE; Nikitas C. Manitsas, CE.

#### NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

George F. Hoge, Armor; Harold G. Moore, Inf; William E. Zook, Inf.

Totals: Armor 3; Arty 1; Inf 20; Engr 7. These 31 with the 14 in school this year add up roughly to 10% of the Army class on active duty. Not a bad average for just 2 years. Although the Air Force requirement was lowered to include Lt Col's this year, as far as I can determine no classmates were selected.

#### MORE SCHOOL

Thanks to Jack Hoffman for the following from Leavenworth last September; arrived too late for the 15 Sept deadline. The following were attending the Associate Course at the time: William Blum, Jr., Albert W. Childress, Jr.; Warren W. Drake; John W. Fletcher, Jr.; John M. Gilligan; Donald E. Gross; Earl C. Hardy; James L. Henshaw; Jack N. Hoffman;

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.

Henry E. Hutcheson, Jr.; Fred Kochli, Jr.; Charles E. Knudsen; William H. Stites.

On the Leavenworth Staff and Faculty were: Philip J. Dolan, CACDA; Fred Goeth, SGS; William H. Holcombe, Jr., DJCASO; Lawrence M. Jones, DC; Francis B. Kane, Jr., DJCASO; Thomas B. Maertens, DC; John D. Nacy, DNRI; Edward S. Saxby, CRI; Harold A. Van Hout, DJCASO; Richard C. Williams, DDO; Edward L. Winthrop, DDO.

#### VIA HOMETOWN NEWS RELEASES

Roy W. Camblin, Jr., is Exec O in 5073d AB Sqn, Shemya (look at your map of the Aleutian Islands), Alaska, after a tour with the 337th Fighter Grp at Portland International Airport, Ore. Roy and Jane have seven children. Bob Dingeman recently received Army Commendation Medal at Ent AFB for work done as chief Advanced Projects Branch, Combat Developments Div in Hq, USAAir Defense Command. Bob received his M.S. from USC in 1959. Jim Harrington is a student at USA Language School at Monterey, Calif. Ed Preston is staff officer with Hq, Allied Forces Central Europe, in Fontainebleau. Carl Fischer is plans officer in logistics section of 7th Log Command in Korea.

#### GW FOOTBALL RALLY

The following made the party held at Arlington Hall Station Officers Club after the Army-George Washington game. As far as I know, all were accompanied by wives. Adkins, Allen, Bell, Briscoe, Bush, Carrington, Walt Carter, Casey, Conniff, Ferguson, Fowler, Fridl, Fye, Geer, Heilbronner, Herron, Hoge, Kerr, Kuzlick, Lessey, Lilley, Love, Macintire, Maynard, McDaniel, McFadden, McMurdo, McMurray, Nash, O'Hanlon, Olds, Parrish, JJ Powers, Puchrik, Rasmussen, Reese, Rinearson, Russell, Sherwood, Shoaff, Skelton, Snow, Spann, Stick, Wichlep. At least we could celebrate victory—need I say there's nothing to report about the AN game; I didn't attend and no one has come through with any report.

Bill Lilley ran the party above, furnished me the information—and also reports the notes below concerning:

#### AIR FORCE

Hq AF Systems Command at Andrews Field now includes Jack Liebel, Johnny Chickering, Al Blue, Giff Holden, Harry Maynard, Tony Parrish, Hank Stick, and Bill Lilley.

Rocky Rochefort now heads the Congressional Activities Div of the AF Logistics Command at Wright Patterson. John Ludlow is also at WP. Dr. Gus Breene is one of the leading "conservatives" in Dayton and is a private consultant in the area of nuclear physics. Brett now at Hq TAC, Langley AFB, Va.; you might look up Harry Stewart also at Langley as the Army's Combat Developments Command liaison officer to TAC. Charlie Avery now with OAR, Office Air Research; Bill Craig now taking F-105 training in Las Vegas and due to return to Okinawa. Too bad that by the time this goes to press he'll be gone and will have missed, perhaps, the opportunity of greeting Ike Houssels at the Tropicana, where he is manager. How about

a special rate, Ike, since many of us are in Las Vegas from time to time? The only other thing Bill reported was that '45 has Wagonwheel Road in the Rose Hill subdivision of Fairfax County, Va., taken care of: Bill of course, Jack Campbell works at AF technical applications center; George Williams, duty with US Air Staff; Hank Hughes, Army Staff, Pentagon.

#### LOMBARDO FIELD

Tom was honored recently in Seoul by having the Seoul Area Command football field named in his honor. Lt. Gen. Myers, Dep CG Eighth Army, unveiled a plaque, as messages from Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Col. Earl Blaik were read. Tom had gone to Korea with the 2d Div and as I remember the story given me by John Carley shortly after his death, Tom insisted on leaving the Div General Staff and returning to his "old" company at earlier days at Ft. Lewis, Company "I", 38th Inf. He got it and shortly thereafter was killed, as the Div began its drive from the Pusan Perimeter in South Korea towards Seoul, Pyongyang, and North Korea.

It would hardly be appropriate to think of the 2d Div without mentioning some of the others who didn't return: T.K. Castlen, who was aide to Gen. Haines, Div Arty Cmdr; Jerry Morrow, who was aide to the Div Cmdr; these two typify the majority of classmates in this category.

#### HERE AND THERE

A Christmas card from Toni Tongue says Bob hasn't been the same since he got promoted in November. Bob, Toni, Lisa, and Augie were due to leave Heilbronn, Germany, and the 101st Ord Bn for ROTC duty at Purdue. Peg and Bob Lutz were at the River House in Arlington while Bob got the poop on how to be an attaché; they were then headed for Saigon where Bob was to be assistant attaché. Ed Powers was married in Chicago in 1961 to Dolores Biang of same city; they are proud parents of Karen Rose, born in Aug 62. New address: 5402 N. Melvina, Chicago 30. Burt Hause requests another Class Directory, on paper with letterhead of House and Hall, Men's Wear, Beeville, Tex. I passed the request to Bill Love, Burt. Ken Blood reported awhile back at AFSC Norfolk en route to England.

#### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Marilyn Day reports for Steve: They're working on second year in Taiwan—due to return stateside next summer. Steve is chief of Programming Div, G-3 Army Section, and Marilyn keeps busy with the usual women's activities. Both play golf year round. Steve has won two trophies—Marilyn none. They hold down the fort for the Class of '45 with Barbara and Alex Belmont, who are neighbors.

Fran Carter reports Colin still in Korea and that the Slazaks live at Ft. Ord while Walt goes to the Naval Post Graduate School.

#### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

From Lou Gingras: "This is to advise that per docket No. 419113 of the Probate Court, County of Suffolk, held at Boston, Mass., on application, after due public notice and for sufficient reason consistent with the public interest, my name is now changed to read as: Louis Dona O'Hara, which hereafter is my new legal name as of 26 Jul 62." Lou's original name was as now, but with Gingras added. Lou enclosed a series of clippings showing highlights of his political endeavors

to be elected as an Independent-Democrat to the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Lou left it up to me to figure out why the name change—I pass. However, with O'Hara as a name, and sponsors like Giancola and Toohey, and in Massachusetts, how can you lose?!

#### OXFORD

Mississippi, of course; the 70th Eng Bn led the way as engineers have a habit of doing. Kristoferson was there; he commands the outfit.

#### CUBA

Jack Rhett probably resting for awhile after helping "host" the 1st Armd Div at Ft. Stewart. Jack commands the 169th Engr Const Bn there.

Faye Worthington gave me the scoop on latest news of those below. Fred Jones, DCSLOG in Pentagon, leaves in spring to replace Larry Hardin as Comdr of the 809th Engr Const Bn in Thailand. A recent issue of the *Army Digest* carried a nice article on the 809th and its road-building mission there. Frank LaBoon is chief, Plans and Projects, Engr Branch, OPD. John McCulloch headed for Belvoir and CDC (Combat Developments Command). Don Henderson, originally scheduled to go to Alaska Engr District, went instead to ALCOM (Alaska Command). Jim Mueller to attend short course at Leavenworth in January; thence to Eighth Army in Korea. Nick Manitsas has recently moved from DCSLOG to Office Secretary of Army for Financial Management in Pentagon. To correct the picture I painted two issues ago—Bill Norris commands the 39th Engr Bn and Al Sheppard the 27th Engr Bn at Ft. Campbell. The Grp Comdr apparently shuffled Bill, Al, and Kris when they arrived. Jim Henshaw at short course in Leavenworth; then to USAREUR. Heimerl, with the Walla Walla Engr Dist goes to USAREUR in spring. Ed Curry, LA Dist, to USAREUR; the Fowlers expect you and Pat to stop and visit with us, Ed. Paul Braucher commutes between Paris and Pentagon. Lefty Heiland is now at Navy CandS School; from there he goes to UK Standardization Group in London.

So goes 1962—if your name hasn't appeared in the column, drop me a line and complain about it.

The class will be sorry to learn of the passing of Joseph R. Byron, (Co. G-1), who died 19 Dec 62. Joe was buried 21 Dec from the Old Cadet Chapel at West Point and interment followed in the Post Cemetery. Class flowers were arranged for by George Hoge.

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Mr. Samuel E. H. France  
3 Spruce Lane  
Verona, N. J.

The Almanac predicts a cold winter for the northeastern part of the US. It is so right. For me, today is 3 December—a blue Monday, indeed. Your reporter was in Phila. Saturday. I saw many familiar faces; I left in a hurry, after it was over. Can there be an answer, perhaps it starts with the word—Recruit! Whatever we do, let's tell the Corps it can be done, as we so well know. Remember the good old days when we were upper-classmen!

I received a newsletter, dated 17 Jul 62, from office of Secretary Hodges, US Dept of Commerce. Reuben Pomerantz, who resigned, was appointed special assistant to Asst Sec for Commerce for Science and Technology, J. H. Hollomon. His duties will include help-

ing to coordinate the scientific and technical activities of the Dept.

Pomerantz's assignment was that of Dir, QM Radiation Lab, QM R&E Command, Natick, Mass. Before that he was Scientific Dir, QM R&E Center Labs. Reuben was awarded the Army Commendation Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster for his work in the radiation preservation of food. In addition to USMA, he is a graduate of Trinity College and MIT and is also a member of the American Chemical Society, Institute of Food Technologists, Mass. Nuclear Coordinating Committee, and the Defense Supply Assoc. The Pomerantz will live in Washington area.

Just received Guy Troy's annual Armor bulletin and, as usual, it is full of information. I always appreciate Guy sending me a copy, for it certainly keeps us up to date on the activities of the branch. The Troys are still at Leavenworth (320-1 Doniphan Drive).

Treadwell left Leavenworth for the Army Language School, Monterey. In August he expects to leave for the Attaché Office in Hong Kong.

Phil Rogers joined the School Faculty upon his return from Korea. Phil came home to a new son, S.P.(Seb), born 11 May 62. Stan Blum was on TDY with CONARC in connection with Cuban crisis.

Duke Wolf joined the group in Sep to attend the Fall Assoc Course. His next assignment should be in Germany. Duke and Ellen have four children: Eric born in '47, Roy in '51, Audrey '54, and Carl '59. While Duke was in Kansas, Ellen and children stayed in Florida.

Others at Leavenworth are Beckner (30 Pick), Knapp (28 Pick), Hanson (18-3d Inf Rd), Edwards (36 Hancock), and LaMar (22 Pick). Dick Beckner was on orders for Vietnam last Feb, but 24 hours after notification the orders were changed. Beckner, Hanson, Edwards, and LaMar will complete a 3-year tour this summer.

While in Washington last summer, Guy visited with Jack and Ann Gilham and Dick and Sue Fuller. Jack is with AF Intelligence and living at 118 S. Pershing Dr., Arlington 4, Va. Dick is with OAD and living at 6041 25th Rd. North, Arlington. George Miller is with Secretary of the Army, having been transferred from DCSOPS. George and Nancy live at 2108 Priscilla Lane, Alexandria, Va. Joanne Patton is staying at 4301 Forrest Lane, N.W., Wash 7, D.C., while George is in Vietnam. George left in April, just after Helen Ayer was born on 21 Mar 62. His assignment is in Hq MACV, Saigon, APO 143. Kit and Ginna Sinclair are in Washington now, as are Kibbey and Peggy Horne (49 Kennedy St., Warwick Village, Alexandria).

Having completed Armed Forces Staff College, Art Lockrie now has an R&D assignment at Pentagon. Rox and Lucy Roxbury were with Lockrie at AFSC, class #32. Rox is due for assignment in Germany. Coming to AFSC are Bud Martin and Vin Gannon. Their course starts this January. Bud was with 11th Cav in Straubing. Vin was G2, 25th Div, Hawaii. Jo Gannon will stay there while Vin takes the course (address: Kamehameha Hy, Haleiwa, Oahu, Hawaii). Vinny and Jo's daughter Penny married a Lt and should by now have made the Gannons grandparents.

Still in Hawaii is Lew Tixier with G2 sect., CINCPAC, Ft. Shafter, APO 958. Harl and Dottie Koch are with FAST program, c/o Attaché Office, US Embassy, Taiwan, APO 63. Koch has been to Pakistan, Korea, Himalayas, and Indonesia on his business. He will be assigned to CINCPAC Hqs this June.

Harry Smythe left Joint UK Staff College in Nov and is now in Europe. Stanfield is still in Heidelberg at Ops Div, Hqs USAREUR, APO 403. As of the first of the year Dick Streiff was XO, 2d Sqdn, 2d Cav, APO 139 in Bamberg. Jim Day is XO, 1st Bn, 68ARM, APO 36, 3Inf Div (Kitzingen). Percy Wheeler is in G-1 section, Hqs, COMZEUR, APO 58 (Orleans). Jake Burney left his XO job at the 15 Cav to take over the 2d Med Tk Bn, 67th Armor, 4th A/D early last spring. The Bn is at Monteith Bks, near Furth. Ben Landis was assigned last Oct to the Intelligence School at Oberammergau.

George Otte is at Knox in SGS office of Hqs. The Nyes, Social Science Dept, USMA, had a girl last April—Elizabeth Suzanne. Charlie and Joanne Simmons, also Social Science Dept, adopted a son—Charles Swift. Frank Richter went to Electronics Research Office Material Devel, CONARC, last January.

Flash!! Wedding bells were ringing on 1 Dec 62 for Jack Cassidy and Mercedes Quevedo, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Manuel Quevedo. Welcome to the class of '46, Mercedes. They were married in West Palm Beach. Jack's last known address was 239 South County Rd., Palm Beach, Fla. Jack is running his own business in the field of heating and air conditioning.

Mace Rumey is with Special Weapons Dept, Ft. Bliss, living at 1309 Grissom Rd. El Paso, Tex. Frank Conant is DASA at 15, 1213, 15th Loop, Sandia Base, N. Mex. Willy Persons is JAG School Secretary at U. of Va.; address: 1711 Gallaway Drive, Charlottesville. George Webb is teaching English at Mexican War College in Mexico City with address c/o Office of Army Attaché, American Embassy. They can take care of some guests. Mary Ellen gave birth to their sixth child last March.

Jack Matteson is at Ga. Tech, and he and Barbara had another daughter on 9 Aug 61. Their address: 1341 Aniwaka Ave, S.W., Atlanta, 11. The Fee Hardins had an addition in 61 also, a daughter too. Willy Joffron was called to active duty for a year, Oct '61-'62. He's now back with his insurance business in Baton Rouge (5058 Woodside Drive). Moose Musser left Bendix and is now with IBM. Other ex-Armor civilians are still in the same places, ie: Russ Burn, Bob Duncan, Larry

Elder, Bob Frantz, Bill Kelty, Jack Kopald, and McMaster.

Since this is the traditional time of year for naming new football coaches, let's get into the act. Not that I have anything to do with it—but to pass on the news that Jack Green has been named head coach at Vanderbilt U. Jack's instructions are simple—WIN! Our former team captain has been an assistant at Tulane and leaves Florida as defensive coach. Jack takes over after a 16-game losing streak, talk of dropping football, and South-eastern Conference withdrawal.

George Sheffer was assigned to the Ord Combat Developments Agency, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., last November. Zeke Jordan started a 6-month Spanish language course last Sep at the Language School in Monterey, Calif. Beulah is with him there.

From Randolph AFB comes word that Bob Tribolet has completed pilot instructor training. He is now at Webb AFB, Tex. Barbara and Bob have four children. Bob has a Master's in education. Del Barth received a PhD from Ohio State U. at summer quarter commencement last Aug.

The AF Commendation Medal was awarded to Jim Chatfield, chief of management Services Div, 2802d Inertial Guidance and Calibrations Group (Heath Annex) Newark, Ohio. The presentation was made by Maj. Gen. Frederic H. Miller, Cmdr, Middletown (Pa.) Air Materiel Area. Jim was cited for meritorious achievement, managerial ability and leadership, while establishing a facility to repair the inertial guidance systems of guided and ballistic missiles. Chatfield holds a degree in industrial management from the AF Institute of Technology. He and Helen, with their five children, live at 381 N. 30th Street, Newark, Ohio.

From Dalat, Vietnam, we receive word from Cal Glidewell, who is the senior advisor to UN C&GSC, and due to complete his tour in May. With Cal are Roy Gillig and O.D. Street (with family). S.P. Davis is aide to Gen. Hawkins; Bob Shoemaker is in Saigon; Dan Hickey is A-2 advisor to 5th Div; Minter Wilson has orders for Vietnam; Al Ash is in MAVC J5. Cal's address: Advisor Team #34, APO 143, San Francisco.

WEST POINT NEWS. We were greatly saddened by the unexpected death of Ray Wagoner who was killed in an automobile

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You know where We are, but  
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accident in Paris on 17 Sep. Funeral services were held at the Old Cadet Chapel on 4 Oct, followed by interment in the West Point Cemetery. A number of classmates attended the services. The Army has lost a fine officer and we have lost an irreplaceable friend.

Our congratulations for this quarter go to Bill and Eunice Seeber who became proud parents (for the fifth time) on 3 Sep 62. The new arrival is Carolyn Ruth. This event was followed on 21 Nov by Bill's promotion to Lt Col. Bill has been one of our best sources of cigars this fall.

One of the best things about the fall season at West Point is the number of classmates who manage to make it back for one or more of the football games. Among those we saw this year were Fos and Charlotte Cowey, Jud and Delores Schulke, Randy and Jeanette Adams, Leon and Jan Musser, Tony Cuculo, Steve and Squeek Conner, Dick Tuck, Marty and Jean Feldman, Jack and Val Dayton, Dave Barnett, Tom Hirschberg, John and Les Hill, Ned and Elenor Mewborn, John and Connie Molchan, Stew and Joan Harper, Denny and Marj Denneston, Dwight Burnham, Max and Ellen Ulrich, Gil Anthony, B.B. and Isabel Elmer, Ted and Pat Upland, Jack and Janie Schram, J. R. Horowitz, Marty and Penny Zorn, Dan and Jeanne Mahoney, Jim Johnson, Prentice Whitlock, Howard Giebel, Larry Miller, John Stralis, Sam and Ethel France, Sam and Sally Title, Ed Housenworth, Stan and Dianne Love, Jack and Jennie Schultz, Bob and Betty Richmond, Bud and Betty McChristian. The Class held cocktail parties after the Wake Forest and Penn State games and many of the visiting members were able to stay over for a visit. In fact, '46 had the second largest group at the Homecoming Dinner-Dance, which speaks very well for the Class as we are greatly outnumbered here by some of the younger classes.

Class memorialization is a subject increasingly being discussed by members of '46. Various ideas have been suggested, from annual achievement awards to furnishings for cadet recreational facilities, to items for the USMA Museum. Although there remains 13½ years until our 30th reunion, it isn't too early for us to think about this subject and to start planning our efforts. A small committee of some of the Class now stationed at USMA is investigating this area, and plans to submit its ideas to the class officers and the Class worldwide in turn.



1946: Maj. Gen. Frederic H. Miller, commander of the Middletown (Pa.) Air Materiel Area, is shown presenting the Air Force Commendation Medal to Maj. James D. Chatfield of the 2802d Inertial Guidance and Calibration Group at the Air Force's Heath Annex inertial guidance facility at Newark, Ohio. Maj. Chatfield, chief of the group's Management Services Division, was cited for "outstanding managerial ability and leadership" last year in the complex job of advance planning for the present Heath facility. The major's wife, Helen, witnessed the ceremony.

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Maj. John W. Mastin  
Assistant to the Dean  
West Point, N. Y.

We were all shocked and saddened by the loss of Naomi and John Devlin in a plane crash in the Atlantic in September. John, an adopted classmate, and Naomi were energetic and enthusiastic supporters of the Class and the Academy. Their warm personalities and ready wit made them favorites at social gatherings. They will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by all who knew them.

Tom Perkins is so pleased with the column now that he is furnishing news. From Pete Boerger via Tom: the roster at AFSC includes Hindu Hill, Dave Odell, Jim Breed-

love, Jack Faith, Harry Ball, and Jim Egger.

Homecoming brought several classmates to watch the tense game with Penn State: Bunny and Pete Karter, Louise and Hal Richardson, George Goldsborough, Jackie and Tom Hayes, Mary and Bill Mahlum, Doris and Don Litt, Bob Beckelman, Stu Vockel, Burt Katz, Fran and Joe Johnston, Jim Ellis, and probably some I missed. Joe Johnston is slaving on a Master's in engineering management at U. of Conn. and provided some AF news: Hap Arnold is on the DEW line in Alaska—Jane in Midland, Tex.; Hal Eberle and Mike Dunham in Space Systems Division, L.A.; Ray Hails and Jim Kennedy are stockbrokers in L.A.; Tom Flattery is a corporation lawyer in L.A., and had six offspring at last count; John Lowry is working on a multiple Master's at Cal Polytech and plans to go into teaching; Jack Coyne is the AF Plant representative with AVCO in Wilmington, Mass; Locker Bentley works for AVCO; Jim Coolbaugh works for I Tech Corp, Palo Alto, Calif.; Don Krause is a personnel man with Litton Corp, Malibu, Calif.; Bob Lilley left Stewart for Casablanca last year but wound up in Spain (navigation or orders, Bob?); Jim Ellis is president of A. J. Ellis Construction Company, Philly. Tom Hayes came through with: Pinkerton at Langley with five children; Glenn Davis is still sports director for L. A. Times Charity; Joan and Shelley Biles at Vandenburg AFB with number one son; Jack Frost in the laundry and doughnut business in Tulsa.

Tex Hightower advises that Mark Kinevan, number two in the Law Department at USAFA, is a Lt Col.

Lannie and Jack Dunham surprised us by coming to the West Virginia game. Jack was on TDY with JCS. Lannie provided news as always: permanent contingent at C&GSC is Dunham. Burner, Hering, Snyder, Rachmeler, and Bill Brown (Bill is a Lt Col as of September); students in the regular course are Hauck, John Kennedy, and Paul; Taylor and Benson are in the Associate Course this fall (TDY from DC) and Spiker and Bill Smith (enroute to Korea) are due in the spring; Jean and Hugh Bartley are on the way from Korea to Ft. Hood; Bob Moore with TUS-LOG; Ann and Stu Force moving to Lancaster, Pa.

Hank Emerson is with the 82d at Bragg, Willy Knipe at White Sands, Duke Duquemin is General Meloy's aide; Don Schnepf is SETAF Ord officer, Hal Tavzel is on the way to Spain.

Lt. Col. Roger Bate, AF, Prof of Astronautics and director of scientific research at USAFA, spent several days at West Point in December and provided the line-up at USAFA: Doc Blanchard coaching Plebe football, Dean Gausche, Bob White, Fred Knauss, Clyde Reynolds, Mark Kinevan, and Don Robb on the faculty—also Bob Koch commanding an Arty Bn at Ft. Carson, and Doc Haskin at NORAD.

Bonnie McNeil did a stellar job of directing the West Point Players in "Visit to a Small Planet." Don Burton is slated for assignment to USMA next summer.

A few Christmas cards have come in: Barb and Frank Boerger with Patricia (5) are still enjoying Rome; Ruth Harrington and the children have joined George near Paris; Bunny and Bill Nairn are enjoying life in Honduras, where Bunny is promoting international relations through music; Meg Sargent is learning the Twist with oriental twists, painting, acting, and absorbing Turkish culture and sun—Howie is in the Plans Branch, JUSMMAT; Yvonne and Jay Bleiman

visited the Boergers and Steinborns on their way to Athens; Bill West and Muriel's brother George spent the summer touring Europe with frequent stops at the Webbs—Muriel also has been active in international relations (How? You'll have to ask Muriel!)

'48

Maj. G. C. Wilhide, Jr.  
Maj. L. T. Doyle  
Dept. of English  
West Point, N. Y.

Although the football season is now long past, this is our first opportunity to report on the many '48 activities held to support the Big Rabble's efforts. We begin with the visitors to the home games. Rog and Bobby Conover, Hugh and Barbara Perry came up for the opening kick-off at the Wake Forest game. Conovers still at Basking Ridge, N. J.; Perrys at Torrington, Conn. Paul and Marie Weaver were faithful fans at our home games as well as the N.Y. games. Paul (charter member, Playboy Key Club) entertained the '48-ers in N.Y. after the Pitt game. John and Betty Sternberg made several of the home games.

Homecoming game with Penn State brought a large and enthusiastic group together to augment the home folks. Al and Barbara Cerow on their way to England. Russ Ball came up from Philadelphia for Homecoming and for the Pitt game and sponsored a fine party in Philadelphia after the Navy game. Russ has been a real force in encouraging attendance at the Navy games and the Class is grateful for his efforts and especially for his hospitality after the game. Jim and Sally Macklin came up from Washington to check that all was well in their old homestead. Fortunately it was—that day. Also up from Washington were John and Anne Bellinger. John's new assignment is in the War Plans Div of DCSOPS. Lowell Genebach was hometown rooter in charge at the Michigan game, but when that didn't work out came here to see how it was done with Penn State. Irv and Ann Schoenberg also "came home" from Washington, D.C., with the news of their second boy, born in Sep 62. Name please, Irv. Gene and Lois Bierer came in from N. J. for this game, as did Joe and Sandra Herbets who added their support at the Navy game. Bob and Jane Taylor reinforced our section at the Oklahoma game. Ken and Margie Pressman tried their best to swing us into the win column, once successfully, once not so.

Other big news from the Philadelphia affair—some good came out of it—was from Jack and Joan Buckley with the announcement of the arrival in Aug 62, of another rooter, Karen, making the Buckley rooting section six girls and one boy. Jack is still with the Missile and Space Div of GE.

One of the biggest assemblies of the year was at the George Washington game in D.C. The '48 block of the stands would include most of the 52 classmates in the Washington area. Following the victory, the Washington delegation had arranged a '48 dinner party at the Ft. Meyer Officers Club. Still another convocation was a pre-game brunch under the auspices of Jim and Bev Hall.

A few, not many, new assignments. Waldo and Carol Marciniac appeared at the Navy game, recently returned from Germany, now assigned to Combat Developments Gp, DA, stationed at Ft. Belvoir. Joe and Maryann Kiernan left Belvoir for assignment to Turkey. Larry Hoyt is going from AFSC in Norfolk to Vietnam. See below, Larry, for your '48 welcoming committee. Joan is going to live in

Calif. Gene and Mary Lou Forrester will take the Hoyt's place at Norfolk, coming from Paris with a new Forrester, Parisian type, by the name of Elizabeth Wagner, Jul 62. To continue our '48 game of musical chairs, Richie Cooper, reported earlier as assigned to SHAPE, is now one of our most noted ex-bachelors, having taken as bride in Sep 62 the former Janet Felton, whom we are happy to welcome to our ranks. Looking over recent back issues, we find no mention of another new member, long time bachelor Jay Joseph's new bride Naomi. They are residing in Washington, we believe. Pretty momentous occasion, Jay; how about a report? Norm and Carol Robinson, finished with school, are now at the five-sided maze. Mary Virginia Doty, our correspondent in Pittsburgh, reports that besides Monk and Sam and Joan Holliday, named in the Fall column, as international relations students at Pitt, we should add Bob and Sally Marshall. International relations reminds us that one of our powers behind the scenes, Bill Smith, assistant to Gen. Taylor, was a participant here at West Point in the annual Student Council on United States Affairs.

Not much news from Leavenworth this time. We do know Tom and Smockie Hoffman are still there but expect to leave this summer. Keep us posted, Smockie. Squeak and Charlotte Webber are also among the old timers there helping to keep the students from annihilating the old 20th Div.

We thought our old columnist team, Robbie and Lynn Robertson, in their Dixieland retreat, Maxwell AFB, would like to know that their ski club is in the capable hands of none other than Harry Buckley. The slope with T bar, new rope tow, and snow-making equipment opened with blessings from the weather man on 16 Dec. This is a new attraction for any who can make a winter visit. Don't worry, you're not too old. Look at Harry, he's running it.

Occasional communiques from Don Reynolds keep us informed on the situation in Vietnam. Don is in the J-3 section of the Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. His last report was written while on leave learning to know Saigon—the Art Buchwald of the Orient, you know. Don notes that Dave McNeeley is in MAAG Hq in Saigon and Les Carter was through there in October. This number was sufficient excuse for a small-scale but enthusiastic '48 reunion in the Paris of the Orient. Jeanette Reynolds and family apparently are getting along in Florida as well as possible under the circumstances. We did see the letter in the English Dept, Don, and technique-wise you're deficient, but content-wise you're pro. Finding McNeeley was a real scoop. He was among our list of missing persons. Next time you two get together in one of those sidewalk cafes, put a pen in his hand and a paper underneath. He owes us a 4¢ envelope. Phil Day is his usual photographic self even in the Vietnamese jungles. In case you think he's not in the front lines, refer to N.Y. Times Magazine Section, 4 Nov 62, for an illustrated article on Vietnam with an action shot of Phil in the breach.

Jack and Tomi Miller are settled in Media, Pa., while Jack is working at Penn, enrolled in the FAST program. We understand he's a whiz at Irdu. Jack, maybe Paul Dietzel could use you to teach the rabble to call signals in Irdu. Chinese Bandits—Irdu signals, we'll get those sailors yet. The only news from the Land of the Morning Calm is from Merle Sheffield who is working around the clock in the G-3 Section of the 7th Div. Liz Chitty has joined Jack in Germany.

Charlie and Mary Horn are still at Port Washington in Long Island. Lake and Jimmie Churchill announce their first, Lake George III, 22 Nov 62, at Colorado Springs. Also we hear that Jim and Sylvia Dingeman have an addition, but we need the details, Jim. How about that? Five—count 'em—five new arrivals in one quarterly report. That gives the lie to any rumors that '48 is getting old or slowing down. We would like to be presumptuous, though, and ask that all classmates include the class column writer on their mailing list of birth announcements.

Rosey Rosecrans has obtained for the Class a memorial plaque to be placed in the theater named for Herb Barrineau at Itazuke Air Base in Japan. The memorial is an engraved brass plate mounted on a walnut plaque. As of Rosey's last report the plaque has been delivered to the Base Comdr at Itazuke but the installation had not been accomplished. We will report on this as soon as it has taken place.

Our final item is a reminder to plan to attend reunion 15 in June. First commitment is from the Genebach clan who will be here in force. Let's get on the bandwagon. And help us through the Gloom period with your news—News—NEWS.

'49

Major F. A. Wolak  
Dept. of Electricity  
West Point, N. Y.

The Dietzel Dynamics and Dynasty may not have been too successful this past year on the gridiron; but off-the-field, the football season was great. The class parties were exhilarating, stimulating, at times consoling, and just the right touch to top-off the game. To all hosts and hostesses: "Well done, and thank you." Let's do it again next year!

Among those attending the games, whose names I was able to jot down, were: Matt and Muriel Lampell, from Poughkeepsie where Matt has an insurance agency; Gerrit and Georgia Van Westenbrugge from Ashland, a suburb of Boston, where he is a special services consultant (I didn't know they had one too!) with Travelers Insurance; Miers and Jeannie Johnson from Paoli, Pa., where Miers is in missiles and space vehicles with GE; and Bill Stempel with plastics division of Gar Lac Inc. in Camden. Also Katie and Bill Bumpus—Bill is now manager of the government liaison office, Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp. in Washington. Pat and Frank Brock—Frank is with Resistoflex in Roseland, N. J. The affluent local executives from the Big City, Bill Marfuggi, Ted Wagner, and Ray Klemmer, were frequent visitors along with their wives and families. Also up from the Big City was that gray-haired, distinguished, man-about-town and patent attorney, Marc Finnegan with wife Betsy. Entertaining local guests and generally gadding about the stands was Joe Steffy. From way out west came Bud Rufsvold, now owner of the Flair School of Modeling in Albuquerque, in addition to his other ventures. Up from Tulsa, Bobby Jack Stuart, sales manager for Thermofax there, was touting the Plebe quarterback Curt Cook as a man to watch next year. The fact that Bobby Jack has something to do with recruiting him may have made him a bit prejudiced. At the Navy game, Ben Suttle reports seeing Andy Lay, J. C. Wood, T. D. Wilcox, M. C. Ross, Jim Scholtz, George Hoffmaster, Harvey Hechman, Jim Steele, and Ken Main. You will note that few military types were observed. Maybe the new pay raise will permit our classmates in

Service the luxury of a football weekend next year.

As I turn this in for publication on 17 Dec, I still haven't received word from John Costa on the publication of our 10-Year Book. As soon as I do, I assure you the word will be disseminated (by grapevine, if necessary). So, please don't write in for your money back, at least, not yet. Besides that, I don't have the loot!

#### YOUR REPORTS

Your staff has come through with flying colors this issue. Singled out for commendation is Trudy Surut who turned in a most comprehensive report, as you will see as you read on. But first, some letters that missed the last issue. Kelso Jones is in Hawaii with the 6594th Recovery Control Group catching satellites. He writes that Bob Makinney is the only classmate he's met there. In asking for poop on the 10-year book, Kelso alerted us to his new address and said it "should probably be published by now, but if it is not, it certainly should be published within the next 3 years—the length of time this address should be valid."

From the AFSC at Norfolk, student Clay Buckingham requests a report on the 10-year book and writes that Clyde Bell is going to Hq Caribbean Command in Panama and that he (Clay) is going in mid-January to Hq Strike Command at Tampa.

Norm Eaton's Dad wrote in to give us Norm's new address; SHAPE Hq. The family, Jean and three children, live in a suburb of Paris while Norm toils in Operations.

Punch Jamison reports that the *we* should have won the Michigan game. Watching the fiasco were Ralph Raabe, Grand Rapids; Bill Hiestand, U. of Mich.; Art Gerometta, Gary, Ind.; Jack Finley, Dayton, Ohio; Dave Krimendahl, Cincinnati; John Walter, AF Academy, and Fred Johnson from...? Punch notes that Don Brooksher stopped at Selfridge on a trip from Washington. He also saw Weber Ivy, Bob Swantz, and Jim Rawers all in the missile business at Patrick AFB where Punch's unit was deployed for the Cuban Crisis. Punch's squadron—the 94th—is Eddie Richenbacher's Old Hat in the Ring Outfit but now brought up to date with F 106's.

Trudy Surut sent a picture of the class group at the Army-Navy wake via television at Leavenworth. Unfortunately, the picture is too small and a bit fuzzy for reproduction. Next time, Lee don't be so bashful and get closer to the group. What follows now is a recap of the Suruts' trips across the US. First to Florida, where they saw Dod and Crill Brandt. Dod joined NASA from Bendix and now lives in Eau Gallie just down the road from Cape Canaveral. At Palm Beach the Suruts visited Malcolm and Carolyn Lewis. Malcolm is working as an engineer with Pratt-Whitney.

After a rest at Leavenworth, where Lee is now on the faculty, they headed out West, this time. Classmates on the faculty include Joe and Anne Muckerman, Bud and Jeannie Strohecker, and Tom and Penny Moses. At Santa Monica, Jack and Jean Albert with their eight children "entertained" the Suruts with their three children. (Easier by the dozen?). Jack is an old homesteader in the area, with 5 years in the Ranger Missile Program. At Livermore Radiation Laboratories Hal and Adele Lombard gave the Suruts a cook's tour of the local winery and great wine country. (What about the labs?)

Back at Leavenworth, they greeted the new arrivals; George and Margaret Stukhart

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.

reporting for the Fall Associate Course, together with Tut Hendricks who goes on to Monterey and thence to the Italian Staff College. Margaret lives in Leavenworth while George finishes his Korean tour. Shirley and the family were in Stockton, Mo., and will join Tut at Monterey.

Members of the '63 Regular Course are Bob Andreen, Stan Bush, Seth Day, Dean Dickenson, Bob Estes, Dick Gillespie, Norm Hopkins, Tiger Howell, Reed Jensen, Odgen Jones, Bill Kennedy, Dean McCarron, Skeeter Meek, Hayes Metzger, Bill Moore, R. C. Nelson, Bill Nordin, Bob Noce, P. R. (Air Force) O'Brien, R. T. (SigC) O'Brien, Charlie Roebuck, Al Singletary, and Don Whistler.

John Sutton was back home from Korea to pick up Dana and family at Independence, Mo., and move to Norfolk for the next AFSC course in January. Sue and Larry Ogden are back in college at Kansas U. where Larry is working for a degree in petroleum engineering. Sam and Elinor Barber are also local classmates living in Kansas City, where he is in the moving and storage business.

Passing through were Ward and Elaine Goessling on a visit from Oklahoma U. where Ward is doing graduate work. The Goesslings were very happy over their recent adoption of a girl. Don Gower was at Leavenworth on a short TDY from Rucker where he and Libby collect flight pay in a non-flying slot. (If anyone could do it, Don was the man!)

From Formosa, J. J. Coghlan wrote the Suruts that he and Sally are living it up on that paradise isle in between chores as a member of an advisory team—advising a field army.

At Thanksgiving in New York, the Suruts joined Don and Margot Summers for an evening on the town. Don works for Republic Aviation as a development engineer.

So ends a very enjoyable report from our class roving ambassador. Thank you very much, Trudy, and keep up the good work.

Jim Stansberry checked in via a messenger, Maj. Napier, from Maxwell. Seems they had a big blast at Doug Weart's for the game, with all classmates attending. Sorry, Jim, the picture didn't get here in time. I'll put it in the next issue.

#### PIO REPORTS

While Kelso Jones is catching satellites, Reed Wakefield is tracking them, ours and THEIRS, at Ent AFB where he is chief of the Opns Cent for the 1st Aerospace Control Squadron.

On the ground, John McArdle reported in at Ft. Stewart, Ga., as XO of the 4th Medium Tank Bn, 13th Armor.

In a cute switch, our Southern gentleman Bill Goodwin is studying Thai at Monterey, while that quiet midwesterner Bill Huber is studying Spanish. I take it back—Thailand is farther south than Mexico or Spain.

Back home in the business world, Goble Bryant was recently promoted to Exec VP of InterState Bag Company of Walden, N. Y.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Les Harris, now a student at Maxwell, won the AF Commendation Medal for meritorious

performance of duty as Dir of Opns with Hq. 2d Air Force.

To those old majors who will soon be young Lt Cols: Balmer, Chandler, Donohoe, Fullerton, Griffith, Hale, Howell, Keith Kingston, Lamar, Lauer, Long, Morton, Nelson (RC), Nulsen, Olentine, Puckett, Rank, Rose (RM), Ross (MC), Stauffer, Tallman, and Williams.

#### ODDS AND ENDS

I just discovered that Snuffy Smith's middle name is Mozart. He's really gone continental, attending a play in French off Broadway.

Whatever happened to Jimmy Hartinger? Where are you, Jim?

How about some more news on people we never hear from or about? A postcard will do.

# '50

Major Boyd T. Bashore  
Dept. of MA&E  
West Point, N. Y.

This is written as the year '62 draws to an end. The last quarter of this old year has been kind to many from '50. Best of luck for an equally happy and successful '63 to all!

In September Frank Borman was honored by being selected as one of the nine new astronauts to train for flights to the moon. Frank has been assigned to train for Project Gemini, which calls for space rendezvous by two manned capsules early in 1964, and for Project Apollo, the landing on the moon scheduled for the late 1960's. Frank reported for duty in Houston on 1 Oct at the Manned Space Aircraft Center. The class congratulatory telegram ended with, "If you need an extra booster to get to the moon, let us know. We are behind you all the way."

Jack Murphy was elected as the Democratic Representative to Congress for New York's 16th District. This takes in all of Staten Island and a sliver of Brooklyn. In winning his election Jack was the only local candidate to oust an incumbent Republican, causing a surprise upset. He thus helped blast the predicted substantial GOP gains in the New York delegation in the House of Representa-

tives. Jack goes to Washington in January to establish his office, and will be commuting between there, his home on Staten Island, and his district weekly.

Bill Ward was unsuccessful in his race to unseat Catherine St. George as representative for New York's 28th District. Bill was running on the Democratic ticket against the well-established Republican representative in what long has been a predominately GOP district.

Friends of Carl and Lois Elander, (associate members of the '50 group here at West Point) were relieved to hear that they were survivors of the ditching of that Flying Tigers airliner 500 miles off Ireland. Twenty-eight on the plane were reported dead or missing. Carl luckily managed to get on the same raft as Lois. Later when they were awash at sea he was able to keep Lois' head above water when she could not move due to a back injury. Finally rescued, the Elanders were transferred for medical attention to the Canadian aircraft carrier *Bonaventure* by helicopter from the Swiss freighter *Clerina*, which had picked them up. They are now back at West Point safe and recuperated.

Clyde Spence needs our assistance. Can and will you help him? Clyde is charged with the important and sensitive job of supervising the writing and publication of class ASSEMBLY obituaries. Have you written or helped write any '50 obituaries for the ASSEMBLY? If not, and if you knew any of the classmates listed below, either at West Point or later, please drop Clyde a line. He has a difficult project that can't be completed without our help. Clyde's address at USMA is: Department of MP&L. Here is a list of those whose obituaries are still incomplete: R.W. Robinson, R.D. Willerford, G.B. Eichelberger, R.F. Flinn, J.L. Weaver, T.R. Baxter, H.E. Rushing, M.R. Cox, E.C. Etz, J.M. McAlpine, H.E. Tisdale, G.A. Dennis, J.M. Garrett, R.A. Williams, S.P. Shankman, A.M. Apmann, J.A. Dille, J.H. Green, W.S. Todd, W.F. Nelson.

The *Kansas City Star* on 30 Sep carried an article on the New German army. A member of '50 was featured. Ed Freedman, according to the piece, "is the first American soldier to be assigned to a German unit, not as an

instructor or liaison officer, but as an actual working member of it. He presently serves as assistant operations officer of Panzer Brigade 3 of the 1st Panzer-grenadier Division." Ed, Vera, and the three children are all together on Ed's tour of duty in Fallingbostal, near Luneberg, Germany.

Bill Aman's book, "Career Common Cents," a financial program for officers, was recently published by the Military Service Division of the Stackpole, Co.

A quick look at the new promotion list for Army Lt Cols revealed the following: Bolduc, Crittenberger, De Graf, Eshelman, Gard, Hayward, Knapp, Love, Mueller, Manley Rogers, Sachers, Skelton, Jim Lee, Ed Pierce, Smithers, Dielens, Hanna, Gorman, Wickham, Wyrrough, Walt Adams, Crockett, John Jones, Hergert, Tormeg, Griebing, Rousch, and Hansen.

"Four Thors and seven months ago JTF-8 set foot on Johnston Island..." writes Pat Wilson from Leone (sounds like a restaurant in the city, Pat) on Tutulia, American Samoa, where he is Dep Prog Dir for several electronics programs in the test series. Pat has been down there almost 7 months and has visited such romantic-sounding places as Fiji, Tongatapu, Rorotonga (paradise), Palmyra, Canton, Christmas, and of course, Johnston Islands. Pat complains about a lack of classmates and asks if any are near. Are there? ("Near" is a relative thing in the South Pacific, like in Texas. I suggested that he get in touch with Eddie Ramos in the Philippines.) During all this time, of course, as far as Washington is concerned, Pat is on an accompanied tour with his family at the Weapons Effects Test (WET) Field Command DASA in Albuquerque. He did get back for a week or so in July, however.

Dave Buckner, now a student at the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell, recently received the US Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service at the AF Academy.

Bill Read writes from Fort Leavenworth:

°Item: Classmate's mates are active in the Ft. Leavenworth Hunt Adult Equitation Class. Ben Lewis' wife Malvene and Reg Lombard's wife Sally won first and third respectively in the class. A good representation for distaff '50. Also participating are Emmett Lee's wife Rowland and Bob Shaffer's wife Nancy, who will probably take part in the spring activities.

°Item: A strategically timed pre-Army-Navy game party and rally. "Celebrate tonight, there'll be none tomorrow." On the program committee were Bill, Burke Lee, Denny Rouch, Jim Tormey, Bill Donovan, Bill McDowell, Emmett Lee, Al Griebing, and Dunc Joy. Jim Trayers led the cheers and Jack Mackmull showed the films. The Class showed up practically enmasse. (Those at C&GSC were named in the last issue) including Gus and Shirley Dielens, who came over from Ft. Riley.

°Item: Also from Leavenworth, Mark Jones sent a picture of the first '50 party held earlier this year. Sixty-three couples attended. Dave Hughes took the picture from the rafter of the Hunt Club. I'll try to get the shot published. Last issue the editor cut the shot of the Washington "swimming pool" party, in case you wondered where it was. May do the same this issue.

Frank Thompson wrote about another Army-Navy Game reunion for "Notorious '50 around Greater Los Angeles". In the area are Grady and Bess Banister (who came to Philly), Bob Basil, Dave and Alma Carlisle, Don and Shirley Coscarelli, Nate and Bo Gallagher, Ward and Barbara Hemenway,



1950: Leavenworth assembly.

Mal and Marilyn McMullen, Carl and Colleen Mitchell, Tom and Bonnie Sharp, Bill and Mary Waddell, Arch and Naomi Wood, Phil and Sandy Bardos, Johnny and Dorian Best, Johnny and Dorian Coffin, Don and Mary Creuziger, Bob and Gwyn Groseclose, John and Margaret Irwin, Bill and Beverly Miller, Phil and Bette Jane Pennington, Hal Strickland, Bill and Janie Tuttle, Jim and Bobbie Wallace, Pat and Martha Zabel, and Ted and Clara York. Frank says about half of that listed attended. They had a fine party in spite of the final score.

Robin and Bill DeGraf visited Joan and Cloyce Mangas here at West Point over a weekend recently. Robin wrote later about the class party after the Army-GWU game in October. Ruth and Sandy Sanderson were complimented on a fine job of organizing. At the GWU party were Phil and Helen Barger, up from Waynesboro, Va.; Ace and Sharon Barker, Robin and Bill DeGraf; Jim and Carol Drewry; Jim Fooshe; Stan and Joan Fye; Paul and Ruth Gorman, Joe and Beth Griffen; Ray and Mary Hansen; Bob and Peggy Hoover; Dick and Ann Kramer; John and Rickey McCormick; Dave Pettit; Leo and Marilyn Romaneski; John and Lois Rutledge; Jim and Florence Skove; Sam and Tillie Smithers; Matt and Marion Talbott; Ralph and Joy Viskochil; and Jack and Louise Wagner. Two geographical widows, Lilly Hinds and Muriel Wegner, (Les is in Saudie Arabia) were present, as were Bob and Peg Wilson and Ernie Thomas down from West Point. Roy Lounsbury is in charge of future Washington parties so anyone interested in "when and where" can give him a call.

Dave Hughes had an interesting lead article in the November *Army* about his experiences as the S-3 of the "Wolfhounds" during the recent "counter-insurgency" tour in Thailand.

Mark and Gloria Jones are on their way to Montivedeo, Uruguay, in Feb 63. Mark is now finishing the short C&GSC course prior to starting the Uruguay course this spring.

The September *A.N.A.F. Journal* carried an announcement that Andy McFarland was awarded a "bootstrap" master's degree in history and government at Auburn U. Andy is at the Inf School at Ft. Benning.

Received a card from Carmen and Les Holcomb on Taiwan. Les is assigned to the O & T Division, G-3, Army Section, in the MAAG to the Republic of China. Carmen's father is the Spanish Ambassador to China and she has finally been able to have a reunion with her family, whom she had not seen since leaving the Far East a number of years ago.

Ann and Dick Leavitt are in Washington after a stint in Michigan.

Sid and Jeanie Steele have left Chiangmai, Thailand, where Sid has been an adviser to a Thai infantry regiment. They were anticipating a trip through Bangkok, Hong Kong, Tokyo, and then by President Lines to Frisco. Hoped to see the Scandlings in Hawaii. Then in Jan to Class #33, Armed Forces Staff College for Sid after a long leave.

Sid reports that he saw the following classmates on a trip to South Vietnam: Wilbur Warren, Jack Fahy, Walt Stanton, Bob Steinburg, and Austen Veatch. Just missed seeing Phil Harper who was in a Ranger Camp in the paddies. ("Captain X" anyone?) Also Sid saw Al Scholl recently in Bangkok.

Sid Hinds was recently assigned to the 1st Special Forces Group on Okinawa as Comdr of the Grp's Det B. Lilly is staying in Falls Church, Va.

Christmas card from Pookie and Jack Crittenger in Crailsheim, Germany, where Jack commands the 1st Medium Tank Bn of the 37th Armor. Last spring Jack left to take over the Bn on 2 days notice. Pookie followed on his return from the ATT at Grafenwahr, which is Jack's home away from home. Few classmates are in the vicinity, although Jack ran into Chuck Graham at a football game in Wurzberg recently.

Clyde Spence reports that Joe Love has sent his brother Jack a cadet B-robe as a result of the black AN Game. Jack is a Marine stationed at Annapolis. Joe, now in France, also reported that he takes over an Armd Inf Bn in January: 51st Inf, 4th Armd Div, in Germany.

'50 is well represented at Malmstrom AFB, Mont. Don and Jane Novak and Howie and Barbara Reinsch are reported to be there. Don and Howie are assigned to the 341st Strategic Missile Wing which mans the first combat-ready Minuteman missile complex.

There were many at the Army-Navy Game. John and Lavelle Smith returned for their first game in many years. They drove up from Tennessee for the occasion. Bill O'Quinn was there. Grady and Bess Banister combined business with pleasure and flew all the way in from Anaheim, Calif. Roy Lounsbury in ACSI and "Skip" Scott on an AF ROTC tour were among those up from Washington. Saw George and Pat Rees and Elizabeth and Kelly Veley, both couples now from the vicinity of Philly. Arnie and Peggy Galiffa came in from Donora, Pa.

Many parties followed: At the informal get together at the Defense Support Depot, Clyde Spence, in addition to many of those mentioned above, says he saw Winkie Mallett, Real and Evalyn McCoy, Frank Watson, and Winnie Skelton. At the Cherry Hill Inn, Stud Heit, Joe McCrane, and Jack Murphy held forth. Bob Peltz and Tarlton and Joan Parsons were among the crowd.

The Abn Det here at West Point, among its missions, supports the military parachuting activities of Joe McCrane's Reserve Special Forces unit from the New York-New Jersey area. Almost invariably we pop silk with a number of Joe's green-bereted weekend warriors.

Tom and Myra Hughes are now the parents of two little girls, Stacey 2½ and Jane 12 months. They are dolls. Had an opportunity to see the Hughes briefly this fall at Ft. Slocum, N.Y., and also see them at West Point and Philly after the Army-Navy Game. Tom is now in his fourth year at the Information School.

Stork Announcements:

Catherine Diane, 6 pounds 15 ounces, born on 29 Sep, in Colorado Springs, to Joan and Al Fern.

Theodore Clyburn born on 31 Oct to Pris and Sam Nicholson.

Kenneth Dale born on 19 Oct to Jane and Don Novak of Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

Maj. Joe Rogers  
Hq. 2d Regt. USCC  
West Point, N.Y.

'51

The homecoming game with Penn State, and what a game it was, provided us with an opportunity to see a number of classmates whom we had not seen in years. After the game we gathered at the West Point railroad station for a little fellowship and liquid refreshment. Yes, I said the railroad station. Facilities were really taxed during homecoming. Ed Willis gets the applause for his efforts.

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You know where We are, but  
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Led Long and his bride Cleo drove up from Maguire AFB. They were married in June. Congrats, Led, and welcome to the Class, Cleo. Gabby and Delores Hartnett were there also. He is with the FBI and is stationed in NY. They have three boys, age 1, 2, and 3. Bill and Alice Stockdale were up from Washington. They have two boys and four girls. Bill has been with the Defense Atomic Support Agency for the past 2 years. Ernie and Libby Peixotto, (have a boy 8 and girl 10), office of the Chief R&D, and Joe Luger, Atomic Support Agency DOD, were there. Also making the pilgrimage were Shy Meyer, Dewey Detar, Art and Carol Scalice, and Tom and Jane Williams.

The following weekend Sally and Joe Clark were up for the VPI game. Joe helps run Minneapolis Honeywell.

Two weeks later Army played GW in the new DC stadium, and Bill and Lydia Lemnitzer hosted reunion No. 2 of the football season. Our gracious hosts received an assist from Gen. and Mrs. Lemnitzer who gave them the use of Qtrs 6 at Ft. Meyer. For those of us who attended, it was a real treat, and I want to tell the rest of you that the Qtrs of the Chairman JCS are a little more adequate than those issued to us majors. The snapshot by Reb Barber and caption by Claudette shows the assembly of the troops. Some of the news that we gleaned during the evening was that Mike and Jenny Kovalsky are en route to Chile where he will be Asst Military Attaché. Barney Landry is with GE at Georgetown, Del., working on a Catapult project. Dick Schwartz, medically retired, is with AEC. Joan and Joe Lafleur are also with the AEC. We were delighted to meet Betty Ewing. Chuck is the Asst Treas of Atlantic Research. Gloria and Tom Stum have just returned from Europe and Tom is in the office of the Chief of Engineers. Jane and Hank Otten are stationed at Ft. Belvoir. Evelyn and Jack Martin are also in the Washington area. Jack is with the Army Map Service. Other pentagons in attendance were Wilma and George Orton and Elmer, the great, Pendleton.

Bill and Lillian Edler were up for the Okla State game. He is with the National Security Agency in Washington. Tom and Jane Williams were also up for the game.

The Navy game (say, wasn't that guy Staubach great?) attracted the Bill Quinns, the Del Rings, Fran and Ed Partain, the Barbers, Betty and Bill Vandenberg, Tom and Jane Williams, (again), Mary and John Tatum, and Bill Richardson. Many of us gathered at the Quartermaster Center after the game, and went on to Bookbinders, later on to eat.

News from other fronts. Elke and Brandt Tennant added Jeffrey to the roster on 11 Jul, just 5 weeks before returning from Turkey. Brandt is on ROTC duty at Norwich U. at Northfield, Vt. They have three boys. The John Moroneys of 137 Hemlock Rd., Torrington, Conn., were blessed with Clair Elizabeth on 3 Nov. They now have three girls and two boys. Closer to home, Jean and Al Esser have added Patricia Lynn to the fold. On 11 Aug, Pat Lynch took Lois Helwig as his bride. Congratulations, Pat, and a

hearty welcome to you, Lois. Pat, having received a master's degree at USC, is with the nuclear engineering division at the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, Livermore, Calif. Neil McCray has received an MA at Lehigh. Bill Cuthbertson has checked in at the Citadel for an AFROTC tour of duty. Frank Wilson is with the 35th Inf in Thailand. Charlie Walker has joined the 1st Special Forces Group on Okinawa.

Roy Herte writes that he did not go to Texas as was previously reported in this column. A late change of orders sent him as S-3 with the 1st B/G 9th Inf at Benning. Other S-3 at Benning are Howie Steele, also with a BG, and Gil Stephenson with the school brigade. Mary Ann and Roy have two girls, Kelly Ann (2 years) and Dianne Maria (6 weeks.) Dotsie Steele had a girl recently, and at last report Phyllis Stephenson was on the launching pad (Roy's prose). The Bob Volks hosted the Benning Army-Navy get together. The Armchair quarterbackbacks included Maggie and Dee Bohlen and the Hertes.

My old buddy at Leavenworth High, Bob Prehn, reports from Leavenworth that he enjoyed watching the old school play football this fall. Unfortunately his letter was misplaced at the time the column was written so the news of the contingent at Leavenworth is missing. Drop me another line please, Bob.

Yes, the 10th Reunion Book is out and congratulations to those who did such a fine job. John Haumersen was the editor and he received a lot of help from Pete Thorsen, Elmer Birdseye, Clint Granger, John Daigh, and Al Esser. There were others who helped some way or other; in fact, practically everyone stationed here added something to the project. I have received some inquiries from classmates who have not received their books so if any others have not received theirs, write to Maj. John Tatum, Admissions Division, West Point, N.Y.

The letters picked up a bit this fall. Keep up the good work. Note my new mailing address. In September I moved to the TD as a Tac.

'52

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The Christmas Spirit has been good to me this year! Many of you found your pens and wrote that oh-so-welcome-note. I should like

to comment upon another evidence of spirit of which the Class should be very proud. Bob Carlone was here a few days ago and was kind enough to call and say hello. Bob is on duty at the AF Academy as a Tac, as many of us knew. A less well-known fact is that he and his wife Rita have been chosen as the representative family to aid the National Cancer Foundation in its efforts to raise funds to support the search for a cure for leukemia. One of their recent efforts, a 19-hour telethon, gained \$44,000.

A Christmas card from Gene and Joan Lane wishes a peaceful New Year and sends regards to the Class. For them, '62 was anything but a peaceful year. They arrived at Carlisle Barracks in January for Gene's assignment as Gen. Dunn's aide, moved into quarters in February and got the curtains up in time to take them down in March for a move to Hood, Gen. Dunn's new post. Moved into quarters there in April and then Gene started traveling. The list of stops through the summer and on into the fall includes Ft. Polk, Tampa (did you have the money saved for it Gene?), Ft. Jackson, and South Carolina. Joan adds, in a breathless and enigmatic note, that Dave Lyon and his bride (see later comment) are on their way to Australia and that Jim Rink, after 4½ years out of the Army, is now on duty at Ft. Hood.

Gilbert (Scotty) Scott is now on duty with the Ohio State U. ROTC unit. On his way back from Germany in September he threw a party at his parents' home in Washington, D.C.—some 34 children and 21 adults, including but not limited to, the Garvers, Weeds, Shipes, Murphys, Relyeas, Lawrences, Ackermans, Metz Seebach, and of course the Scotts. Scotty says the *children* didn't fight.

Speed Hulley broke the sound barrier with a letter telling of his valiant try for a 10th Reunion son. Speed says Sally slipped up and Bobby (Robert N.II?) was born 3 days early. Consequently, 10th Reunion and Bobby's and Sally's homecoming were celebrated in champagne on the same day at Heidelberg. Speed's recommendation: stick to Scotch. He has seen Wayne Elliot (M-2 search committee take notice), Dick Wiles, Bill Spencer, Terry Allen, (newly a father) Jack Driskill, and Ken Keating all in the Heidelberg area. He expects to be at West Point in June but gives no hint of what his next assignment may be.

Last? note on M-2's search for lost class-

mates. Jim Spence will have it known that he is at 580 N. County Rd., Palm Beach, Fla., and furthermore the telephone is 305,848-3130. Got that, M-2? Jim offers the following family facts: "... married Mary, have four children, Judd, age 7; Clay, age 3; identical twin girls, Laura and Leane, age 1." IBM has kept him busy: "... sales trainee (and starved), salesman, special rep, (high class salesman), account and senior rep (higher class salesman), resident manager of an office, (still a salesman but more problems)." Yearling math was useful, says Jim, but a course in corporation politics would have helped more. Again I quote: "All classmates have an open invitation to drop-in, chow-down, and drink-up. For those so inclined we can even include a little golf, fishing and beer drinking, or water skiing." Sounds like just the place to spend that winter leave. How are your weekly rates, Jim?

Doug and Edna Ludlam had their, "... second child and first daughter, Susan Elizabeth Ludlam, at Albuquerque, N. Mex., on 23 Sep 62. Weight: 8 lbs. 10 ozs. (Quite a heavyweight for a young lady!)" Doug spent reunion week on Christmas Island and: "... as the only '52 file on Xmas at the time I celebrated our 10th by drinking warm beer and throwing rocks at the land crabs..." (Remainder of sentence deleted, this is a family magazine, Doug.) "I spent 3½ months TDY at Xmas but fortunately was able to escape for about 2 weeks and Edna flew over to Waikiki via Pan Am. We enjoyed 10 days but then—alas—back to Xmas Island." Doug has been with the 1211th test squadron for 5 years flying RB-57 D's but expects a PCS away from Kirtland AFB shortly.

Tom Dowler, who rates a gold star for writing me a letter per issue for the last three issues, has moved again. Panama this time, Drawer #915, Ft. Clayton, Canal Zone. Tom writes: "Joanne and I and kids (4) arrived a couple weeks (Sept. 62) ago via one of those crummy non-sched airlines that charters to MATS. I am the area engineer, supervising construction over what should be \$15,000,000 worth of contracts by the end of the year. Weather is hot and rainy, but concurrent travel to government-furnished quarters does a lot for morale! Clyde Earnest works for the Canal Government. Jack Pilk, fresh from the Arty Adv Crs, just got here to work in security (utilization of his new Arty knowledge?) Say, buddy, don't neglect to toot a *BIG* horn for Eddy White. That picture in this week's *Time* magazine (late September) shows him as a real ring knocker—you can almost read 1952 on the ring. Also put in a plug for him to send autographs to all classmates so we can prove we knew the first man to the moon." TOOT. There Eddy, consider your horn well-tooted for a job well-done.

Florence Tronsrue, bless her heart, in a news-filled letter, said she was afraid I would be swamped with letters about classmates in Vietnam. Far from it, Florence; yours is the only one so far. She writes that: "Herb Deiss, John Kinney, and George (Tronsrue) were with the 2d Division at Benning until early '62 when they got orders for Vietnam. Herb is a Bn Adv to a Vn Regular Army unit in southernmost Vn; John Kinney is with an Abn outfit, and George is a Bn Advisor to a Civil Guard unit south of Saigon. Tom Ayers got to Vietnam in early summer and is stationed in Saigon. George has run into another classmate; Tom Collier, location unknown. He said this list is nowhere near complete..."



1951: D.C. gathering. Left to right: Betty Ewing, Claudette Barber, Joan Lafleur, Betty Vandenberg, Jean Rogers. Second row: Wilma Orton, Libby Peixotto, Lydia Lemnitzer, Margaret Schwarz, Gloria Stumm, Jane Otten, Jenny Kovalsky. Standing: Jack Martin, George Orton, Evelyn Martin, Chuck Ewing, Ernie Peixotto, Barney Landry, Bill Lemnitzer, Dick Schwarz, Tom Stumm, Hank Otten, Joe Rogers, Mike Kovalsky, Joe Lafleur.

Thank you, Florence. Maybe you will inspire more "short tour widows" to write.

Wedding bells in Texas for Dave Lyon who married Mariann Wilson 29 Sept at Fort Worth explain Joan Lane's enigmatic note mentioned earlier. Congratulations, Dave, wherever you are in Australia, and a warm welcome to the Class, Mariann.

Ralph Garver, on duty with the nuclear power field office at Ft. Belvoir, stopped in for a few minutes this fall to say hello and swap notes on classmates and types of duty. I take it that Ralph is not mystified by the job he has, but he convinced me that the Physics P's were right about me all along.

Al Bracy, another of my dependables for copy for these notes, went to the Navy game and had the subsequent courage to write me a note about who he saw there. Al emphasizes that this list is complete only in so far as his memory allows and asks that your feelings not be hurt if memory failed him. At any rate, among those present at the wake were: Austin, Baker, Bracy, Duncan, Girdner, Harrison (Luddy), Hayford, Herman, Hettinger, Hoenstine, Kimmel, Leggett, Lowder, McMahon, Murphy, Obach, Perritt, Riddlehoover, Smith, JD, Speir, Turner, and Watkins. Suffice to say that the gathering at the QM Depot after the game was in the spirit of "wait until next year."

Bill Harrison, who is aiding in Hawaii, says the Class is rather sparse there; Ike Eisenhart (also an aide), Buster Brown, and George Barkley the only other representatives that he knows of.

One last note: the Assn of Graduates is trying to locate Juan Burciaga, who has dropped from sight since his resignation from the Air Force. If you know where Juan may be contacted, would you please drop me a line? Also, does anyone know what Harley Washburn's new assignment is?

Keep the letters coming, they are a big help in making this column informative of the Class.

By the time the class sees the column we will all have learned of the death of Ken Good in Vietnam. Larry Mickel, a close friend of Ken's parents, called me from California with the information before it was released to the general public but not before this column had been submitted to the Alumni Sec. Thus there is a much more light-hearted tone to the class notes than any of us feel. Ken was a close and valued friend. He and Bobbie made a couple which brightened the duty on

every post on which they served. As of 4 Jan 63 Bobbie's address was 91-939 Ololani St., Eva Oahu, Hawaii. To her and to Ken's parent's go our condolences for a loss in which we all share.

# '53

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Hi gang! Well, by the time you read this, gloom period (if you have one where you are) will be long gone and the big 10th Reunion will be within smelling distance. I trust you are all making your plans to be here. If not, it's never too late to start... like right now! It'll be a good one!!

I would like to emphasize a couple or three items in Jack Hayes' reunion letter. If you haven't sent in your biographies and family photos... do it now! It's not too late. Send them to Neal Creighton, Dept of FL. Also needed for the 10-Year Book are snapshots of you engaged in various duties or other activities. We plan an entire section on this sort of thing to depict our first 10 years in pictures. So, dig into your album (or into that pile you haven't gotten around to putting into the album yet) and see if you have



1953: Chosen by Ed and Pat Reed:  
Michael Charles Reed.

a snap that fills the bill. Send it along to our photog, Tom Williams, Dept of Ord. As Jack said, to make this book the quality product we want, we'll all have to supply the info to make it so. Oh! I almost forgot. If you haven't done so, send your check payable to Yearbook, Class of 1953, to Neal Creighton. \$6.00.

Now for some news. Clay and Mary Jackson, along with their four children, are living in Alexandria, Va., where Clay is studying

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.

for his MA in management, a 1-year stint, at George Washington U. Also in Virginia is Whitey Miller's family, at 1234 N. Vermont St. in Arlington, while Whitey is in Vietnam. Bill Bauman, on one of his recent cross-country hops, saw Jerry O'Malley out at the Ent AFB officers club. Says Jerry is holding down an aide job there. John Temp, just back from Korea, is an ROTC instructor at the U. of S. Dak. at Vermillion. Jay Tanzer is Vietnambound via Ft. Holabird and the Presidio. They are expecting number six! Peg will be at 18 George St., Greenfield, Mass., for the next 18 months. Pat Morrison will head for Korea soon. Helen and their four will be at 1120 Seventh St., St. Petersburg, Fla. Dick Neu will remain at Ft. Sill as a gunnery instructor for 2 years after finishing the Adv Crs. Dick Davis writes from Poughkeepsie that his fellow IBM-er, Ralph Greer, has recently transferred from Kingston, N.Y., to Hawaii. Abby McLennan writes that Stu has had a series of "seldom at home" jobs since his return from Korea, his latest being 90 days TDY at Ft. Benning. Stu's most recent claim to fame: firing the salute for the President here at West Point.

Quite a few items have come as a result of get-togethers at the various games. And away we go... (not intended as a complete list). Homecoming saw quite a crowd return. Among them were Lou Manfre, Rick Gilmartin, Ed and Jan Andrews, Ross and Langley Kenzie, Dick Hoyt, George Williams, Clay Jackson, Sam Rogers, Larry Davis, Larry Crevoiserat, Jack Johnson, and Jim Hogg. Jim is General Sales Mgr. for the Beiger Wire Rope Co. and lives in Montclair, N.J. To coin a phrase, a good time was had by all... at the game and at the dinner.

Bill Jewell tells me he saw Liz and Dick Hoyt, Sue and Dave Motyka, and Ginnie and Jim Currie at the Penn State game. Jim is with the Electric Boat Div of General Dynamics and Dave is still with Pratt and Whitney. Bill reports that all three are well-to-do civilians!

Among those seen at the Navy game (Sorry, but I just had to mention it!) were: Ed and Joan Coggins—Ed is with the AF ROTC at Grove City College, Pa. They now have five daughters!! Conrad and Joan Osborne, who are still civilians in the Phila area. Also in the Phila area is Don Schmidt, whose wife couldn't attend because of the arrival of number four son 4 weeks prior. Walt Schmidt, now at the Engr School and slated for Germany after completing his course in March. Ray and Sandy Lezinski—Ray is at Sears Roebuck in Newark, N.J., and is living in Somerville, N.J. Also in the crowd were Jack Hughes, John Brinsko, Bob Bartlett, Tom Jones, and George Williams. Paul Suplizio also mentioned seeing an ex-'53 file, Ronnie Button, who is studying at Drexel. A WP contingent too numerous to mention also made the journey. (Yours truly ended up sitting in his living room kicking his TV.)

Still others showed up at the QM Club afterward: Bob and Kathy Porter—Bob is still sporting crutches from a recent encounter with a truck, but doing fine. They live in the Phila area. Dick Boyle and Jim McGee, both serving in DC along with the Andrews!

Several interesting tidbits from overseas this



1953: 1953 in Korea, October 1962. 1st Row: Roc Ventrella, Bill Walker, Larry Davis, Tom Brown, Rog Ellman, Harl Graham, Fred Van Deusen. 2nd Row: Chuck Tighe, Don Shaw, June Arnhem, Rolfe Arnhem, Bob Glasgow, Ed Reed, Gail Freimark, Lowell Skidmore, Tony Deluca, Bill Yuengel, Mort O'Connor. 3rd Row: Bob Barton, Si Nerone, Rod French, Bill Hilley, Bill Cole, Jim Stuart, Ken Sweeney.

time. Don Ramsey was a member of one of the six three-man teams which traveled to assist in the remote villages of Iran during the recent disaster there. Don is due to arrive back in the States any time now. He's slated first for the short course at Leavenworth, followed by a tour with "juice" up here.

Hank and Judy Purcell send word from Turkey that they have moved from Ankara to Istanbul where Hank is attending the Turkish War College, the fourth American ever accepted as a student. They report that their seven-room dream house on the European bank of the Bosphorus is secure from flooding. Seems that their patio, which is the sea wall, protects them from the wake of passing ships. Can you imagine?!

In the other part of the world, Rolfe Arnheim was the spokesman for our clan in Korea, which got together recently for cocktails at the Arnheims' home in Seoul. Ralph says he finishes his tour in Dec and heads then for Ft. Ord, his first choice for a change. Rolfe and Ed Reed have had a better than average tour . . . with their wives along.

Whitey Miller reports back from Vietnam that he has seen Gary Colonna, Chuck Neal, Horace Greeley, Jack Morton (and wife), and George Egbert. Art Brown is in Saigon as advisor to the CO of a Civil Guard Bn. Bob Zargon and Worth Wardlaw are reportedly somewhere in Vietnam, also. Whitey also mentioned seeing Bob Schofield, Sark Semerjian, and Doc Stinson at III Corps Hq there. I have heard since that Doc was wounded, but no details.

A newsy letter from Bill Renner and family in Taiwan reveals a very interesting tour complete with black sand beaches, typhoons, banana trees in the back yard, and a 30-mile midnight ride in a field ambulance for the arrival of number three. Bill is advisor to a field Army on Signal matters, spending most of his time traveling. He says they have seen Jack and Min Neuberger there also.

Christmas card notes: Ed and Pat Reed are now at Ft. Monmouth where Ed is Adj of Special Troops. Also there in the Adv Crs are Bill and Barbara Wehmiller, who report that Sam Thomas is in Pakistan. Bill and Pat Sifford have both just completed Spanish at Monterey and will leave 8 Mar for Caracas, Venezuela. Bill will be the Asst Mil Attaché there. Si! Lee and Lucy Crosby send word from Ft. Wainwright, Alaska, that they and their three boys have enjoyed the 9 months of snow for 3 months but will be happy to leave next summer. Lee has been Asst Resident Engr there. Also, Chuck and Edie Fiala are due to leave Ft. Greeley at about the same time. A note from MM and Bob Schroeder says that Bob is working very hard finishing up his master's at Ohio.

Lost list: If your name appears here . . . help! We need your current address. Spooner, Metzcher, JC Hall, Battle, JE Jones, Potter, Pickett, Currier, TD Brown, Loedding, Henderson, Prieto, Nave, Yale, Ravelo, Rhodes, Drew.

Two very difficult items to announce this time: On 17 Oct Ed Reed lost his father, Col. Edwin Reed, Air Force, and . . . Marie Eleanor Reynolds, daughter of Fred and Dorothy Reynolds, died on 4 Nov and was buried at West Point on 9 Nov. To these two classmates and their families we all send our sympathy in their loss.

#### BABY CORNER

To Dick and Betty Ann Davis, a daughter, Nancy Ellen, 24 Jun, at Poughkeepsie, N.Y. To Ken and Lois Heitzke, a daughter, Denise Elizabeth, 16 Sep, in Asmara.

Chosen by Ed and Pat Reed, a son, Michael Charles, 21 Sep, at Seoul, Korea.

To Bob and Ruth Renner, a son, Robert Eugene, 1 Aug, at Tainan Air Station, Taiwan.

To the Joe Volpes, a daughter, Vanessa Jo, 23 Sep, at Landstuhl, Germany.

That's all for now. Remember to plan for the Big Reunion and to send the 10 Year-Book info (and checks) we need. See you June Week!

# '54

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Several classmates have written expressing their deep sympathy and regret over the deaths of Don York and Gene Procknal. And now word comes that Bill Booth was killed in Vietnam on 15 Oct when his plane was shot down by enemy fire.

In a note to John Shelter, Bill's family said that he had been cremated and his ashes scattered from a plane over the places in Florida that he had loved as a child.

The entire Class is of course deeply struck by the tragedy of these three deaths, two of them in combat and all in such a short time. Fletch Ware wrote from Vietnam, after Don's death, to suggest that the Class sponsor an annual memorial award to the graduating class in Don's name. The specifics of the award would probably be determined by Academy authorities.

Fletch wrote that "you cannot find a US or Vietnamese type who didn't greatly admire and respect Don. He was doing an outstanding job in every respect. He was continually going out of his way to make friends with the Vietnamese and they reciprocated in kind. As the only member of our Class to die in action (when Fletch wrote), I think something in the way of a memorial award would be in order." Any comments or opinions on Fletch's suggestion can be sent to him (Advisory team 74, APO 143, San Francisco), with a copy to me if you wish for publication in the column.

Among others in Vietnam are Roy Muth, Brandt Grubbs, John Woodyard, John Rogers, George Calhoun, Norm Mattmuller, Dave Macklin, Frank Ianni, Dick Ziegler, Wes Cheen, Bill Weafer, Jim Whitley, Wally Carlson, and Andre Lucas.

Reported in Korea are Tom Poor, John Marcus, Bob Keener, Fred Qualls, Bill Hannon, Bob Stuart, and Cliff Flanigan. Cliff's wife Jo writes that she and their three children—Mike (7), Kevin (4), Susan (2)—are living "in suburbia" about 10 miles from Selfridge AFB. The address is 12135 Burtley Drive, Utica, Mich., and they would be delighted to see any of the Class in the area.

From West Point, Andre Broumas writes that he "has agreed to serve" as chairman of the 10th Reunion Committee. He has selected a steering committee, and their plans for the reunion, as they progress, will be regularly published in this column.

Fred Lindsey writes from West Point, where he is in the Phys Ed Dept, after getting his master's degree in P.E. at Indiana U. Fred reports that Dick Hobbs is starting his second year of an Olmstead Scholarship in France, and that he may have to spend a year with troops in Germany instead of coming straight back to West Point as originally planned; and that Colby Ross is sales manager of Radar Relay and living at 10551 Putney Road, Los Angeles.

Andy Underwood also is getting a master's degree in Phy Ed at Indiana before

going to West Point as a P.E. instructor. Norm and Dot Bedell are at Indiana U. too; he's an instructor in the ROTC unit. And Andy says that Joe Gerda is an Infantry instructor in the AG School at Ft. Harrison.

John Shelter writes from his home in Verona, N.J., to send news of many in the Class. Pete Jones has settled his family in nearby Bloomfield, N.J., while he spends a little time in Vietnam. Bill Odom married a Verona girl last summer and they're now in Germany. Dot Tomsen passed by on her way to join Tiny in Germany; when the Berlin wall went up, Tiny was pulled out of a "stabilized tour" at Ft. Bragg and was en route to Berlin in about 10 days. John and Pat themselves can often be found at West Point, attending any kind of a class get-together.

Another of our regular correspondents, Jim Williams, writes from Sandia Base in Albuquerque. Jim reports that Lee Halladay arrived there during the summer, after work on a master's degree in nuclear physics at U. of Ariz.; that Dave and Mary Richards stopped by on their way back to Oklahoma U., where Dave is getting a graduate degree in electrical engineering; that Jim Sloan, Dave Holtam, Jim Karns, and Stan Choate are also at Oklahoma U. Also, Bobby Doerr is flying B-57's in Guam; Pete Witteried is at Ft. Lewis; Hal Stout is an ROTC instructor at U. of California; Frank Percy is ROTC at Eastern Washington; Herb Williams and Marty Lachance are at Ft. Bliss; and Bob Cottle is in Thule.

Bill and Loretta Winston write that they attended the wedding of Max Janairo to Maureen Comer at Grange, Iowa. Maureen has been teaching in Germany, and Max is stationed there. The Winstons add that Max's father, whom many in D-2 knew, has retired, and he and Mrs. Janairo are living in Arlington, Va.

PIO tells us that Paul Schweikert is studying Russian at the Army Language School; Bob Fromm is at Biak Island, West New Guinea, serving with an AF special support team that is assisting the UN Temporary Executive Authority in the area; Jim Moss is with SAC at Castle AFB, Calif.; Craig Spence is at Ft. Sill after a tour as chief ranger advisor in Vietnam; Ken Bailey is with the 43d Artillery, a Nike-Hercules unit in Treynor, Iowa; and John Purdy is in command of the Army Polar R&D Center at Camp Century, Greenland.

Dick and Cay Kavanaugh report the arrival of Richard Douglas on 16 Dec, their first boy after three girls. The Kavanaughs are at 5314 Conway Circle, Knoxville, while Dick attends U. of Tennessee. John and Pat Shelter had Matthew Campbell on 7 Nov to make it two boys and two girls. And Chet and Monica Piolunek announce the arrival of Carol Jeanne on 15 Oct at West Point.

Perin Mawhinney sends a list of some 40 classmates in the broad Washington area: at Ft. Belvoir, Aberdeen, and various other points. Included are Bill Almon, Darrell Anderson, Joe Bahin, Kerly Barrand, John Bennett, Jack Beringer, Bud Boose, Bill Buckheit, Bill Cory, Joe Devlin, Dave Dimick, Paul Driscoll, Dick Farmer, Howard Gabbert, Don Gaston, Jim Gibson, Lee Gilbreth, Lou Ginn, Virl Haas, Bill Hilsman, Harry Hilt, Marv Kortum, George Kourakos, Mory Leiser, Bill Liby, Jack Lochner, Norm Matthias, Tom Mayberry, Jim Miller, Don Newnham, Jerry North, Jim Obendorfer, George Olmsted, Don Porter, Dick Weaver, Ed Weaver, and John Westervelt. We are not able to give the complete addresses of everyone in

this limited space, but any details can be gotten from Westervelt, who was appointed "social secretary" of the Washington group. He will attempt to keep a current roster of those in the vicinity, and new arrivals should get in touch with him at 533A Tower Road, Ft. Belvoir; phone is EDgewater 9-5500, Ext 37205.

Mawhinney adds that Westervelt is the CO of the cadet candidates school at Belvoir. Also, Paul Driscoll finally got into the married ranks in November. He and Harry Hilt and Viri Haas are graduating from the Engineer career class in February and leaving for Vietnam. Dick Farmer, Mory Leiser, Bill Buckheit, Norm Mathias, and Marv Kortum are in the following career courses, finishing in April. Mawhinney and Tom Mayberry are in school at the Military Assistance Institute in Arlington to prepare for MAAG duty. Tom goes to the Army Mission in El Salvador in January; and Perin to a 9-month Arabic language course at the Naval Intelligence School in Washington, followed by a year with the training mission in Saudi Arabia.

Letters from classmates invariably bring requests for addresses of other classmates. This time Fred Lindsey inquired about Ev Drugge, and John Shelter asked about Steve Avery, Paul Driscoll, and Ed Moses. Now Andy Underwood writes to say that for some time the idea has been kicking around that someone in the Class might try to maintain and publish a current list of all available addresses of classmates. This probably would be subscribed to by a considerable number of the Class, at maybe a dollar a year, suggests Andy, and this could adequately compensate whoever is willing to take on the task. Possibly someone stationed at West Point, with access to the Assn. of Graduates office, could do the job. Any volunteers?

Next deadline is 1 March. Best regards to all.

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Happy New Year, all! Someone has said that the optimist is one who proclaims that we are living in the best of all possible worlds, and the pessimist one who fears that this is true. Whichever view you prefer, I hope that '63 is a good year for you.

It seems appropriate to begin a new year with announcements of new arrivals. Dick and Marie Fontaine now have the full complement of a basketball team. Their latest, Kenneth Thomas, arrived on 26 Oct, much to the glee of older brothers "Scooter," Bobby, Mike, and Billy. The Fontaines own a home near Washington, D.C., where Dick is an associate systems engineer with IBM. Also in Washington with IBM is Jim Devereaux, whose wife Mary recently gave birth to their fifth child.

At West Point, on 8 Oct, Jennifer Lee Chapman, the first child of Bob and Phyl, was born. Bob is with the Dept of ES&GS at the Academy. Bob and Helga Hinrichs now have two boys; the second, Michael, was born in August, just before the Hinrichs left White Sands for Stanford, Calif. Bob, assigned to JAG, hopes to get his law degree at Stanford by Dec 64. Also at Stanford is Dave Finley, now a civilian, who is working for his PhD in political science. The Hinrichs have also recently seen Hank Meetze, who is Aide to Gen. Ryan, CG of Sixth Army.

Walt and Nancy McCrillis are now be-

ginning a 3-year tour at Malmstrom AFB, Great Falls, Mont. Walt was chosen to attend the new AF program of training Minuteman missile launch officers. At the end of the 3-year program, he will receive his Master's degree in astro-space engineering. In addition to her duties as housewife and mother (Polly is now 6, and Lorily 3 years old), Nancy keeps busy giving piano lessons to a number of students.

After having established some sort of record for length of service in Oklahoma, Don and Mary Andrews have moved to sunny California. They are living in Reseda; Don is doing graduate work in meteorology at UCLA. Bill and Carol Sietman are in their second year at Ann Arbor, Mich., where Bill is doing graduate work. After 2 years at Ann Arbor, Chuck and Phyllis Domeck are now on an assignment with the AEC.

Ted and Evelyn Patterson are now at Benning, where Ted is instructing in the Command and Staff Department. Jack Goldstein has been assigned to the 44th Arty at Sill. John Dryer is at the Ordnance School at Aberdeen, after a tour in England. Gary Munroe has been sent to graduate school, following an assignment at Ft. Huachuca. Clyde Massey is now in Germany, following a tour at Eustis.

Jerry Chikalla, Dan Moses, and Fred Woerner are on MAAG assignments in Vietnam. Will McIlroy has begun a tour in Korea. Bill Haas is also in Korea, commanding D Co of the 7th Cav. Ted and Connie Vitori are now at Kirtland AFB, N.Mex.; Ted is assigned to the research directorate, physics division, at the AF Systems Command's Special Weapons Center.

Bob McClelland is now doing graduate work in New York City; Bob was up at West Point to spend Thanksgiving with Eck and Kitty Hayes. The only other word that I have from the Academies is what I read in the newspapers. At the AF Academy, Bob McKelvey, Al Edwards, and Dick Prater have been made assistant professors of astronautics, mechanics, and physics, respectively.

Bob Cummins stopped by to see us here in Hoosierland in September. Bob now has a managerial position with the sales division of a national firm, with headquarters in St. Louis.

It appears that the time has come for a new impassioned appeal to all of you classmates, your mates, your children, even to interested neighbors, to rally to The Cause, and send news to your poor forgotten class scribe. Just complete the following letter, in 25 words or more, "Dear John..." Winners will be announced in the next issue.

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At this writing, Christmas is a few short weeks away, and your much-appreciated cards from around the country are proclaiming this fact. Among those forwarding their greetings were Gerry and Barby Richardson, currently attending the Ord Adv Crs at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. Steve Beebe, Warren Keinath, Jack Wagner, and Ed Redline are scheduled to join Gerry Richardson and the class which graduates in Jun 63. The Richardson family now includes two boys, Bryan (4) and Wayne (2). They have just returned from a 40-month stint in Germany. Dick and Billy Parker forwarded a card from the Boston area announcing that Dick has received a master's from Harvard and will join the West Point Dept of Social Sciences

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.

in Jun 63. The Parkers adopted a girl, Anita, while they were in Germany and she is now 3 years old.

Tom and June Winter sent their best wishes from sunny San Diego and announced that Tom was made team chief of the operational end of SECOR. Translated, this means that he will be playing an important role in obtaining precise geodetic coordinates of the land masses, using an artificial satellite. The Winters are enjoying the sunning and surfing and June has a new hobby, playing the Spanish guitar for folksinging. Judy Le Hardy sent her greetings from Annapolis, Md., where she is awaiting Ward's return from Vietnam, possibly in Jun 63. Ward is not far from Walt McCahan, whom he has seen. Judy attended the Army-Navy game this year and saw Gary and Mary Williams and George and Barbara Woods.

A card from Bill and Barbara McPeck reveals that they have moved from Puerto Rico to Westover AFB, Mass., where Bill is the Dir of Trng at the 8th Air Force Non-Commissioned Officers' Academy. The McPecks have purchased a home, and Scott, their oldest, has entered kindergarten, while Jeff, having been born in Puerto Rico, is learning what snow is. Ann and Giles Harlow are also assigned to Westover. Jim and Joan Lane remembered us again with a card from the Bronx, while the Arthur Robbins clan sent their greetings from the real reindeer country, Anchorage, Alaska.

Matt Quinn called me recently, while he was in the Los Angeles area, and said that he is testing the Skybolt Missile for the AFSC at Eglin AFB. He and his wife, Sandra are residing near the base. Ron's exact assignment is not known. I heard indirectly through a member of the Class of '13, A. B. Johnson, that Mike Zeigler is a doctor at Walter Reed General Hospital. Johnson was a bit surprised to learn that graduates of West Point are becoming doctors; however, he did allow as how Mike is a good one. The talent this Class has is a continual source of amazement to me, too!

Bob and Shirley Devoto forwarded another newsy letter from the Boston area. The Class was well represented at the Army-Boston U. game this year, even though there was a strong Nor'easter and a driving rain during the contest. Following the game, Bob and Shirley entertained eight classmates and their wives or dates at a local hotel. Attending were: Buck and Penny Abell from West Point for the day; Don and Joanne Ackerman who are in their second year at the Harvard Business School where Don is in the upper 5% of his class academically; Lee Denson in Harvard Graduate School prior to a social science tour at the AF Academy; George and Natalie Wien at MIT and majoring in electrical engineering; Dick and Eva Chase at Northeastern doing physics research as a civilian; Bill Linder at MIT in the Operations Research field as a civilian; Phil and Diane Stynes down from West Point for the day. As reported earlier, Shirley Devoto is still a high school science textbook editor with Ginn and Company while Bob is completing further graduate work at the Harvard Business School. They reported that Zeb and

Inge Bradford are in the Littauer School of Public Administration at Harvard preparing for an AF Academy tour. John and Marilyn Higgins are civilians and John teaches mathematics at the Newton, Mass. junior high school. Chester Chesnauskas is living in Brockton, Mass. Ajax Hallisey is at MIT studying government. Ed Kime is in his second year at the Harvard Business School. Bob Farr's is with the Control Data Corporation and was recently transferred from Boston to the Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Ala.

Bob and Marlene Schuler were reassigned from air defense duty in the Los Angeles area to the Adv Crs at Ft. Sill. Other classmates with their wives at the Adv Crs at Sill are Dick and Vicki Tripp, Bob and Carolyn Nicholson, Bob and Mary Lou St. Louis, Dirk and Ann Lueders, George Young, one of the few remaining bachelors, Ed and Pat Van Dervort, Don and Toby Fisch, and Art and Marguerite Harris. Randy and Dagmar McCreight and Bob and Patricia Hammond have been doing their bit to keep the Sill hospital on the stork's well-trained route. Little Sharon McCreight checked in 12 Sept, while Bob Hammond, Jr., arrived on or about 19 Sep. Bob and Ingrid Caron are with the 53d Air Transport Co at Sill, while Charlie Glenn is aide to Gen. Guffing, CG of Ft. Sill.

Bucky Harris wrote from Ft. Richardson to bring me up to date on his life and times. As you may recall, Bucky married the former Peggy Page of Fayetteville, Tenn., and now they boast of two identical girls, Terry and Sherry, who celebrated their first birthdays on 14 Oct 62. Bucky expects to bring his family south soon, when he leaves his current post commanding Hq Co USARAL to attend the '63 Career Course at Ft. Knox. Bill Carey and Bob Beyer are piloting F-102's out of Elmendorf AFB near Ft. Richardson. Bill and Betsy Carey have five children now, and Bob and Dotty Beyer have adopted a daughter.

Harry Crandal informs me that Buck Harris will renew many old acquaintances when he returns to Knox. Bill Baxter, Dave Berry, JJ Clark, Tom Harding, Chuck Garvey, Pat Haley, John Keutman, Mal Kirk, Frank Matthews, Jack Nickolson, Jim Spires, Marsh Schoonmaker, and Bill Wehl, in addition to Harry, will all be at Knox to keep the Class well represented. One interesting thing about this group is that it is comprised of 10 Infantry types and one Artilleryman, but only three Armor files.

Ken Knowles sent word from Germany that he will report to Ft. Sill in Jan 63 for the Career Course. Ken and Rita are expecting their fourth soon after their arrival in Oklahoma. So far, their box score is Danny (5), Michael (3), and Brian (1). Ken mentioned that Dick Washburn has the same orders for Sill as he has. Bob Hewitt is presently at Benning attending the Career Course. Bob Quackenbush will be reassigned to the 24th Div upon Lt. Gen. Oakes' departure for the US. He's presently Aide-de-Camp to Gen. Oakes. Reid Barrett is a Company CO in the 32d Armor, Augsburg. Chuck Swezy is with the 2d Howitzer Bn, 5th Arty in Babenhausen.

After Dick Woods completed helicopter school, he and Barbara were assigned to the aviation detachment at Ft. Lee. The Woods' three boys welcomed a baby sister, Lisa, to the fold in Jun 62. Bob Andree and his wife had their second son, born in Aug 62. The Andrees are going to Ft. Ord, Calif., as are Renny and Barb Hart. Priscilla Dewey wrote that Gene left for Thailand last June and is flying a "Caribou" in that area for the first aviation company. Priscilla is staying with her

parents in Hendersonville, N. C., and commuting 3 days a week to classes at Furman U. in Greenville, S. C.

Dex Shaler provided me with a wealth of information to round out this column for another quarter. Dex and Marcia and their beagle pup, Rebel, have moved across the street from the Skatvolds in San Gabriel, Calif. Dex is now with the Transonic Div of Jamieson Industries as a sales engineer. Jerry Skatvold is taking his first courses at USC toward an MBA degree. Art Evans is teaching photography at Orange Coast College in the Los Angeles area and studying for his PhD at USC. Jim Bolin has returned from Korea, has attended the Adv Arty Crs at Fts. Sill and Bliss, and is currently studying at Georgia Tech for a master's in electrical engineering. In the meantime, the Bolins welcomed their third, a girl, at Ft. Bliss. Gene Smith and "Knobby" Glock have joined Jim at Georgia Tech. Phil Farmer is attending Mississippi State, and Bob Sullivan is at Purdue studying nuclear physics. Tom Bowes and Dick Rinker have gone abroad for their education and are studying French prior to a tour at West Point. Bill Narus is taking the Guided Missiles Staff Officers' Course at Ft. Bliss, and Roger Redhair is also at Bliss attending the Adv Crs. Joe Waters and Tom Filbey have graduated from the U. of Mich. and have been assigned to Patrick AFB, Fla. Jerry Werbel, Jerry Huff, Jim Strozier, Bob Krutz, and "Scotty" Sutherland remain on at Michigan to complete their studies. Bob Stein, now a civilian, his wife Joan and their two children are residing in Glendora, Calif. Bob is taking the corporate training program offered by the Aerojet Corp. at Azusa, Calif. Mike Esposito is teaching for the U. of Md. Extension in addition to his other duties in Korea.

That's it for now. This is to wish you a happy and rewarding year in '63.

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Since last issue, minor tragedy has struck twice in this household. My party was very soundly defeated at the polls on 6 Nov and a fellow by the name of Roger Staubach ruined 1 Dec for me—but despite both deplorable incidents this report is being written midst much rejoicing—contact has at last been made with Walter Camp (Waxey) Gordon. Late in November, our phone rang at 6:30 one morning—long distance from Ramstein AFB, Germany. Capt. Fred Smith was on the other end reporting very officially that he was serving temporarily as Aide-de-Camp to Capt. W. C. Gordon, U.S. Army Aviation, who desired to talk with me. I nearly flipped. Waxey and I talked and sobbed with elation for 15 minutes (I'm glad he didn't call collect); Eleanor was with him and she sounded fine. The two were returning to Verdun, France, after a TDY assignment with the Italian Army. Fred, flying fighters at Ramstein, put them up over the weekend. I'm much obliged to you, Fred, for holding him still long enough to call. What a relief to know that he is still alive!

There is much ground to cover, thanks to your many letters, so we had best get started.

Ray Bell sent all the poop from Ft. Knox where the Inf files nearly outnumber the bonafide Armor types. Hal Dyson, Bud Miller, Warne Meade, Jim MacGill, and Tom Carrigan are getting cross trained in Armor. They are in the Career Course with Ray Bell, Sam Focer, Robin Roller, Dana Meade, Jack Per-

son, and Bob Johns (both transferred from Inf), Jim Kaiser, and Joe Shimek. Recently, Ray saw Dick Murtland, now with IBM in Pittsburgh. Bob Comeau and Ralph Miles are in Alexandria (Bob, Phil Stein at Ft. Gordon wants your address). Carl Waldenmaier, working for an engineering firm in New York, recently spent some time in the DC area while his company was working on the Dulles Airport. A note to Bernie Loeffke: Send Ray Bell one copy of your *Aide-de-Camp Handbook* ASAP.

Jack Murphy is teaching packing and jump techniques at Ft. Lee. He spent some time recently in Europe doing some demonstrations and saw quite a few classmates. He saw Jim Dunn who is in G-3, SETAF, at Verona, Italy. The Dunn's fourth child, a girl, was born 12 Nov. John Dodson is also in Verona, commanding a company. Bill Campion and Vel Varner are at Bad Toelz, Germany, in the 10th SF Group. Tom Gruhn is in the V Corps Long Range Patrol Company in Mainz (I think). Parks Houser, Len Wishart, Les Bennett, and Milt Ewanus are in Augsburg, 24th Inf Div. Lee Ogden is at Zirndorf near Nuremberg in the 4th AD's 22nd Arty. Tony Miklinski, Len Hanawald, and Ed Szvetez are in the 8th Div in, or near, Mainz. Dick Pfeiffer is in Berlin, Frank Knight is at Ramstein AFB (Frank was married recently). Jerry Jagrowski is on some AFB somewhere in Spain. Gary Stemley is with Murphy in the Abn Dept at Lee. Jay Toole, recently graduated from QM Career Course, has orders for Korea.

Joe Masterson resigned from the Air Force on 31 Aug to enter training for the priesthood at Maryknoll.

Giles Harlow, now stationed at Westover AFB, Mass., saw several of our number at the recent debacle in Philly. Ace Cross, Roger Currier, and Charlie Coates were there from Belvoir. Bob Drudik came up from VMI where he is a Tac. Bob won the Marshall Award for outstanding writing in the Career Course at Benning last year. Tony Bullotta graduated from the Signal Career Course a couple of months ago and will soon depart for Korea. Ed Hickey is in the Wharton School of Business at Penn. Jerry Chase is in the Dist Eng Office in Philly. Thanks, Jerry, for keeping me posted on party plans for the A-N weekend. Giles is still flying 135's and going to the U. of Mass. off duty.

Jim Hamilton and Charlie Hug are both in law school—Jim, at Harvard and Charlie at Rutgers.

Phil and Eunice Stein, Ft. Gordon, Ga., had a second son in November. Wes Kidd is there, as was Frank Gross prior to his entering the Career Course at Monmouth. Steve Glick is in graduate school at Mississippi State at Starkville. He is studying E.E. and misses the Army mucho. Bob and Heidi Faulkender are at Ft. Carson, Colo. Bill King is at Ft. Riley. George O'Grady is at Ft. Rucker. Last word from Guy Wallace revealed he was finishing the Career Course at Ft. Sill and expecting orders to civil schooling. Jack Vickers is at U. of Ill. studying C.E.; he is engaged and possibly married by now. Larry McCoy is getting a degree in Geodesy at Ohio State. Sam Newsom is working on a reactor project at Ft. Greely, Alaska. Time spent there is only TDY, however, as the project is being watched over by the Corps of Engineers from its vantage point at Belvoir.

Fletch Elder called from Monmouth on 28 Nov to check on details for the Navy game. He is in the Signal Career Course and expected orders at any time. Others there are Jim Salzman and Arlyn Madsen.

Ray Karsian is established in Denver now and asks anyone who can to drop by: 11310 E. 16th Ave, Apt, 105, Aurora, Colo.

Don Baughman is living in Rockville, Md., and sees T. G. Thompson occasionally. Thompson has a HAWK Battery at Ft. Meade; his address is 1905 B, Patton Drive, Ft. Meade (Tener inquired several months ago). Tom Keeley is teaching science at a private boys school near Washington. I finally paid the small debt to the Open Mess at West Point, Tom; now I am awaiting a check for \$4 from J. J. Cortez, wherever he is.

Jack Smith gave up his job with Fairchild Corporation to strike out on a 2-year sailing cruise around the world on a 60-foot sloop, with a crew of eight, three of whom are female. Wow!

Bruce Glenn is finishing his graduate work in physics at Stevens Institute and will teach next year at West Point. Tony Albright is at Wright-Pat. Glen Swindler is on his way to Korea prior to an assignment at West Point in the Dept of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences. Glenn completed the Ordnance Career Course recently.

J. D. Smith is AdC to the CG, IV US Army Corps in Birmingham, Ala. He married a Georgia peach, Esther Frances Thomas, last June. Ted and Toddy Voorhees are at Ft. Hood where Ted commands a company in an ARB of the 2d Armd Div. Jack Sobraske is at Georgia Tech; Jack Meehan is at Tulane. B. J. Tullington is assigned to the Ranger Department at Benning. Leon Bieri is in Korea. Sid Britt went from the Career Course at Benning to Kitzinger, Germany.

George Rogers is at Zirndorf, Germany, in the 4th AD's 22d Arty. John Peckham is with the 26th Arty's Target Acquisition Battery somewhere in Germany. Ed Hildreth is with MAAG in Vietnam.

Jim Mooring and Larry Murphy are instructor pilots at Vance AFB, Okla. Bill Hamm is at Schilling AFB, Kans., assigned to the 379th Bomb Squadron as a B-47 navigator. Dave Bernd recently was awarded the AF Commendation Medal. He is studying for a degree in math at Oklahoma State. Moon Mullins is still AdC to the CG, 13th Air Force in the Philippines.

Frank De Simone is studying Russian at Monterey. Jim Edgar commands a company at Ft. Campbell in the 101st. Tom Lindholm is in the 37th Armor, part of the 2d AD at Ft. Hood.

My poop on who is at Benning is very incomplete. I think old roommate Scott is there; if so, how about a letter, Jerry?

At deadline, cards came from Dave and Patty Schorr and Lou and Gail Barisano in the Canal Zone. Joe Russo wrote from Ft. Sill. He saw Al Ensign and Bill Duncan in Thailand last summer; both were in command of companies in the Wolfhound regiment. Jack Lustig is on his way to Ft. Bliss for a missile maintenance course. Charlie Williams, Dan DeLaney, and Dan McCrary are in the Career Course at Sill with Joe. Carl Burgdorf is there in a Sargeant unit.

That's it for now. Thanks for writing—without your help, we would not have a column—classmates want to know where you are and what you are doing so keep me posted.

The election results here were disappointing, but not discouraging. This was not our day, but another day will come, and I am no less interested in political affairs than ever before. Bridget, Huck IV, and Ian send their regards.

Thanks, again, Waxey. It was a genuine pleasure.

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Capt. Frank Waskowicz  
AOCC 2-63  
1st Stu Off Btry  
Ft. Sill, Okla.

The recent changes in promotion policy certainly worked to the best advantage of the Class in both the Army and the Air Force. In the Army, promotions to captain were effective on 26 Oct, when a block of over 1,000 lieutenants was promoted within a 1-week period. Air Force promotions also quickened in pace. The Class of 1957, USAF, was promoted in October of this year. The Class of 1958, USAF, was promoted on 4 Dec. Of course, many were already "spotted" to captain prior to this date. For the greater part, these were serving in SAC. So, congratulations go out to all.

#### AIR FORCE

Hank Biclinski has been awarded the USAF Airman's Medal for heroism involving voluntary risk of his life in rescuing an airman from a burning aircraft in England. Hank is with the 493d TFS, RAF Lakenheath, APO 179, NY. He and Pat have two daughters.

Burt and Diane Miller, stationed at Mather AFB, Calif., are parents for the first time. Their son Kurt arrived on 21 Oct 62. Wayne and Mavis Hagberg are also new parents, with the birth of their first child, Aaron Dwayne, on 25 Jun. Wayne had been attending Squadron Officer's School at Maxwell AFB, but was returned to McGuire when the Cuban crisis began. They now live at Bldg 4217-C, McGuire AFB, N. J.

Susan Reinhart of Mt. Kisco, N.Y., became the bride of Walt Patterson on 9 Jun 62. They are now living at Bldg 2745-B, McGuire AFB. Walt flies the C-118.

Jack Halsey is stationed in South Ruislip, England, with Box 1468, 1605 SATW Dep (MATS), APO 125, N. Y., as his address. Also in England are Denny Sharon, with the 92d Tactical Ftr Sqdn, APO 755, Mike Dugan, and Rich Clements. Joe Cuenther is a pilot with the 345th Tp Car Sqdn at Naha AB, Okinawa. Mike Jones is attending MIT for grad study in astronautics. Jim Chapman recently participated in the airlift of 82d Abn Div troops into Oxford, Miss. His reporting date to Princeton has been postponed until Jun 63. Bob and Mary Kay Olson are already at USAFA. Bob, who was a lecturer in the Planetarium this summer, is regularly assigned as a navigation flight instructor for the First Class. The Olsons and their three children live in Qtrs 4406E, USAFA, Colo.

John and Judy Galen are stationed at Dow AFB, Maine, after John's recent graduation from the SOS at the Air University, Maxwell AFB. Dick Osborn is currently attending SOS. I understand that Bob Grete is being programmed to instruct in the Social Science Dept at USMA. John Cook has been working with the new AF AR-15 rifle cal .223 at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, both as an evaluator and manual writer. He hopes eventually to get into the counter-insurgency "COIN" program at Eglin.

Skip Hettinger and Dick McManigell are instructor pilots at Webb AFB, Tex. Dick is with the 3561st PTC, while Skip is with the 3560th PTC. Jim Bishop is a missile combat crew commander at Malstrom AFB, Mont., with the 341st Strategic Missile Wing. This Wing is the first operational Minuteman complex in the US.

#### ARMOR

Tom Carpenter was married on 28 Dec to Emily Hay Babb at St. John's Church, Richmond, Va.

Sam and Leslie Myers became parents for

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the first time when Samuel Leslie III was born on 28 Sep in Germany. Sam is Asst Adj of the 1st Recon Sqdn, 14th Armd Cav in Fulda.

Stan Bacon and Tom Stevens recently departed the 14th Cav for the US, although I don't know their assignments. Frank Bowen is still with the regiment in Germany.

#### ARTILLERY

Otto Thamasett took Shirley Jones for his wife in a ceremony at Ft. Sill on 1 Dec. Ken Lager was an usher. Bob and Sue Clewell, Corky and Ann Henninger, Betty and Walt Plau, Roger and Laurelei Waddell, Don and Betty Williams (who have a second son, Darren, born while Don was in Korea) and Linda and I attended the wedding. Ken's wife Valerie was not there as she had presented Ken with a new baby girl, Lindy, a few days earlier.

With the exception of Bob Clewell, all above are members of AOCC-2. Bob, Lee Miller, Ted Burke, "Van" Van Fleet, Bill Caney, Kyle Rector, Bob Higgins, Art Mace, Buck Griffin, and Ben Pellegrini are in AOCC-1, which will be departing Sill for Bliss over Christmas and thence to new assignments on 6 Mar. Kyle has orders to a flying slot at Hq 5th Region, ARADCOM, Ft. Sheridan, Ill. Van is assigned to staff and faculty at Sill. Bill and Buck have orders for Korea. Art and Bob Higgins will join a new 175mm gun bn activating at Sill and Ben and Lee are both under consideration for civil schooling.

Jack Crandall is the newlywed in AOCC-1. He was married on 1 Sep in Ottawa, Kans. He and Linda will settle at Ft. Bliss following the course at Sill, when Jack will attend a 44-week NIKE Systems Maint Off Course.

Bin Barta, Dan Charlton, Harry Hubbard, Larry Hunt, Gerry Mitchell, Dick Reynard, and Jack Burke are others in AOCC-2.

Dave Nidever and Herb Johnson were among those seen at the last Army-Penn State game at West Point. Dave will be assigned to the Math Dept next academic year. Herb recently returned from Vietnam.

Bruce Hamilton is assigned to Btry D, 6th Msl Bn, 65th Arty at Bliss. Bill Serchak is attending Tulane U. Dusty Rhodes is CO of a 155mm How Btry at Ft. Lewis, and Buzzy Bruzina has a NIKE HERC Btry near Seattle. John and Dorothy Stone are in Athens, Greece, with the 37th Arty Det. Hugh and Ann Trumbull are still in Kitzingen, Germany. After a short stint in the S-3 shop, Hugh has taken over the Corporal Bn's Firing Btry. Bob and Carol Finkenaur moved recently from their station in Holland to Nienburg, Germany, where Bob will command the 32d Msl Det (BFPO 32, APO 82). Carl Sullinger is an Arty advisor in Vietnam. Pat and Linda Mellin with their family of five are scheduled to return stateside from Italy soon.

Billy Mathews is CO of F Btry, 6th Trng Bn at Ft. Sill, with a home address of 313 "J" St., Lawton, Okla. He plans to leave the Service and go into the printing business.

Jim and Rae Ramsden have extended their tour in Cambodia for 2 months, returning to CONUS in late May, as they are expecting their third child in Mar 63. Jim is programmed for the Jul 63 Career Course. Bill

Shepard is in Korea with the 7th Msl Bn, 2d Arty, APO 201. He is due to return in Sep 63. Meanwhile, Glenda is living at 1724 Nebraska Ave, NE, Salem, Ore. The Shepards have three children, Kim, John, and Carolyn, who was born in Sep 62. Jack Carson is at Ft. Bliss with an Honest John unit, I understand.

John Nowak and Joe DiTommaso, both stationed in Korea with the 82d Arty Bn of the 1st Cav Div, will return to CONUS in Jan 63 for the Career Course. Rex Mason is in Germany with a Hawk unit. He and Charlotte have three boys.

I recommend two fine articles in the recent *Artillery Trends*. Van Fleet wrote an article on manhandling the 105 How in the jungle, and Reynard coauthored an article on computing dead space on a fire-capabilities overlay.

#### CHEMICAL CORPS

Had erroneously reported Bob Miller as being assigned to the Chemical Center some issues back. It turns out he is attending Penn State for his MS in chemistry. On 15 Jul he will report to USMA as an instructor. Bob, who has been teaching sophomore chemistry on the side, lives at 1927 N. Oak Lane, State College, Pa.

#### ENGINEERS

I received a letter from Bob Bunker who recently began a 2-year tour at MIT for grad study in civil and nuclear engineering. His address is 14 Riverside St., Apt 2-1, Watertown 72, Mass. Jim Hall is attending the same course, Troy Chappell has already been in residence 1 year for a similar course. Bob Baker has been at MIT since Jan 62 for grad work in mechanical engineering. He departs in Jun 63.

Dick Gell is with the Dept of Electricity at USMA. Rock Hudson is attending the U. of Ill., Paul Johnson is at Ohio State, and Pete Groh is at Purdue. My apologies to Alex and Lynn Johnston at the U. of Ill., who have one girl, Debbie, and a boy, Alex IV called Sandy. I had reported in the last article that they had two girls. I understand the entire Engineer crew had a grand promotion party at Chanute AFB. Jud Ellis (AF) joined in the festivities. George Sibert is CO of D Co, 12th Engr Bn in Dexheim, Germany.

#### INFANTRY

Hal and Cinda Lyon have a second son, born on 20 Sep. My godson's name is Gregg Laurston. Hal, who is aide to Gen. Billingslea, CG 2d Div, was away in Oxford, Miss., at the time of Gregg's birth.

John Sewell is a Co Cmdr with the 187th Inf at Ft. Bragg. Dave Swanson and Will Roosma are both instructors in the Ranger Dept of the Infantry School. Also at Benning, Ray Tomlinson is head of the Pathfinder Team, Strube Jackson works in the Weapons Dept, and Bill Reynolds is in OCS. Among those attending the current Career Course are: Pete Bahnsen, Dave Bourland, Dan Brockwell, Jim Brooks, John Buchanan, Gerry Capelle, Bob Clark, Jim Davis, Doug Detlie, Dick Franklin, Les Gibbings, Fred Goodenough, John Herren, John Holecek, Josh Jaschen, Joe Keyes, Dick Kittelson, Pete Kullavanijaya, Doug MacLeod, Fred Mayer, Bill McCaffrey, Bob Moore, Joel Moore, Bill Morrison, Phil Pryor, Joe Shea, Lon Spurlock, Jae Stanton, CD Victorine, Milt Wofford, Chuck Toftoy, and Wes Loffert. I understand all attended a wonderful party held at Victory Lodge on 14 Sep. Jim Frick, Bill Reynolds, and Bob Matsumoto were also in attendance. Jim is Signal Corps, stationed with the 122d Sig Bn. All the Career Course

students can be reached through the 2d Student Bn, TSB, Benning.

Dick Thomas is stationed at Hq, US Army Special Warfare Center. Gene and Doris Fisher are stationed on Okinawa. He is a member of the US Armed Forces Courier Station.

#### ORDNANCE

Understand Vic Gongola attended the Army-Penn State game. He is assigned to Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J. Lorin Farr is ADC to Brig. Gen. Adam W. Meetze, Dep CG, US Army Munitions Command. Lorin had returned from Korea in Oct 60, and was initially assigned to Picatinny as a mechanical engineer with the antitank fuse development section of the ammunition research group.

#### SIGNAL CORPS

Lou Gennaro, back in uniform, is presently serving as an advisor in Vietnam. His wife Marianne is living at 723 Logan Ave, N.Y., 65, N.Y. The Gennaros have three children, Mary Louise, Louis Craig, and Theresa Marie, who was born on 3 Sep 62. Bob D'Amore is CO, Hq Co, 8th Sig Bn, Bad Kreuznach, Germany.

#### CIVILIAN

Pete Young was placed on the temporary disability retirement list and released on 20 Feb 62 from the Air Force, following the discovery of diabetes while on a REFLEX tour in Morocco. He is presently associated with his father in Western States Wholesale, Inc., in Pierre, S.D. Pete, Marlene, and their children, Valori and Timothy, live at 711 N. Grand Ave in Pierre.

Joe Luman is attending the Foreign Service Institute in Arlington, Va., in preparation for his overseas assignment with the State Dept. Joe has been appointed a career Foreign Service Officer, which makes him a Vice Consul and a Secretary in the Diplomatic Service. Peggy and their two children are living in Hyndman, Pa., while Joe is in school.

Jack Larson, Jim Godbey, Phil Ackerman, Ron Coleman, and Bob Bethman have been listed in the *Army Times* as resignees. I understand Bill Fagg is out of the Service and working for the *Washington Post*. Jody Letowt was another at West Point for the Homecoming Weekend. Gordon Goodman is working for IBM in Milwaukee. He and Darlene have one girl, Heidi, a year old.

Recently I received a beautiful color slide of a gathering of the Class at the U. of Ill. Regretfully I was not able to print it. Can accept only black and white "glossy" prints which can be of any size. These would certainly help to dress up the column. So at any gathering of two or three, bring out the camera. Please have any information for the next article to me by 10 Mar.

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The winter issue here at Bindlach is always the most difficult, as the typewriter keys stick. The temperature is down around zero, but anticipation is not yet frozen, with rotation coming up in February. Thus the change of address at the head of the column. Please send all letters to Dallas for the spring issue, and for the next issue my address at Ft. Knox will have become known.

Half-a-dozen marriages to announce this winter, although some of them are "old hat" by now.

Alex Grant married Linda Carmichael in San Francisco last December at about this time.

Joe and Martha Shea were married in Honolulu in Oct 61, and Harry and Illa Walters followed suit in the same place in Jul 62. Connie and Katie Boyle were married in Honolulu last February.

Dick Peffenbach married Martha Carr on 1 Sep in Chicago, and the couple are now living in Seattle, where Dick works for Boeing Aircraft.

John Grinalds and Norwood Robson Dennis were married in Macon, Ga., on 30 Jun. They are currently in Oxford, England, while John completes his studies as a Rhodes Scholar.

Hands of the Class and cigars go out to the pops and moms of the following new godchildren:

A son, Christian Hampden, to Pete and Mrs. Wentworth ex-'59 in Panama on 1 Sep. Pete is with A Co, 4th Bn, 10th Inf at Ft. W.D. Davis.

A daughter, Christine Mary, to Chuck and Babs Lutz at Heidelberg on 11 Sep. Chuck was with the 59th Signal Co at the time, but has since rotated and now calls the advanced course at Ft. McClellan, Ala., home.

A son, Glenn Mead, to Rody and Pat Conway on 15 Oct in Minneapolis. Rody at last report was working with the CIC.

A second son, Christian James, to Micki and Bruce Williams on 6 Nov in Wurzburg, Germany. Bruce is with Btry A, 1st Rkt/How Bn, 9th Arty in Kitzengen.

A daughter, Rosemary Anne, to Clay and Rosalyn Fannin in Tacoma, Wash., on or about 10 Nov. Clay is currently in Vietnam flying Mohawks for the 23d Special Warfare Avn Det, APO 40, San Francisco.

The first Christmas card this year was from Phil, Janet, and Kate Shaeffer. Phil is XO of D Trp, 12th Cav, at APO 30 in Germany, and, according to Janet, enjoying it.

Fred Malek writes that John Eberhard, Jerry Noga, and Randy Bell are on leaves of absence and attending medical school. Fred was in Vietnam but wrote from Honolulu last July, where he was awaiting separation and return to studies at Harvard Business School on 12 Sep. At the time, Fred writes, Greg Kadlec and Bill Wheeler were in Thailand awaiting a group of replacements which included Bob Beale, Chuck Darby, and Harry Walters. Mike Morales was in Dutch New Guinea heading a search and recovery mission.

Rick Kocienda is at Ohio State working toward his master's in geodetic science. Rick writes that with him at OS are Don Svendsen, working in civil engineering, and Al Devereaux, also getting his master's in geodetic science. Rick's address, for all the girls, is 385½ Lechner Ave, Columbus 23, Ohio.

Chuck Millick has resigned his commission and is working for General Electric. Chuck got his master's in business from Cincinnati by attending night school.

Had a nice letter from Jim Corr, who is in command of C Co, 16th Sig Bn, APO 39, in Butzback, Germany. Jim and Beverly have two daughters, Erin (2½) and Sharron (7 months).

Brenda and Jerry Fogel ex-A-1 send their best to the Class from Rochester, N.Y., where Jerry plys his trade as a 6-10 a.m. disc jockey with radio station WBBF. He is also XO of Hqs Btry, 27th Armd Div Arty, NYARNG. The Fogels have one son, David, aged 2, and they've just bought a new home at 26 Woodmont Road, Rochester 20, N.Y.

Finally, the Class joins the family of Ken Joyce in mourning the passing of our classmate and friend—Ken died in an L-19 crash at Kitzengen, Germany on 24 Oct.

Time sure is a-flyin'; this summer I saw a great number of cadets on AOT duty here in Germany, and all of them came to the Point after we graduated. Before you know it, we'll be Old Grads! There are indications, too, that before very much longer we'll have representatives in the academic departments, and in the ignominious TD as well—in no time, the whole Class will be nothing but a mob of turncoats.

Bob Johnson (K-1) came up with something new and sent me a class newsletter for the constituents of K-1, so I'll reprint it in toto. Some of the info has been printed before, but it's included anyway:

"A newsletter isn't always easy to compose until you've heard news from enough people, and waiting to hear from the K-1 members has slowed up the writing quite a bit. Even though we haven't heard from everybody, here's the news we've gathered, along with some new addresses.

"Tony Blackstone and wife Joan, in Hawaii, should be parents by now. Tony reports that Hawaii is nice, but he works too hard to enjoy it. He's now assigned as BG Asst Adj after having a rifle platoon for 11 months. His address is 1st BG 35th Inf, APO 28, San Francisco, Calif. Ambrose Brennan is back from Korea and is with Special Forces at Bragg. Jack, Jean, and Ellen Burden have left Bragg for flight school at Rucker. Down in Panama, Phil Croel and wife Sue became the parents of Lisa Suzanne on 24 Oct 61. Their address is A Btry, 4th Msl Bn, Box F, Ft. Davis, Canal Zone. Bill and Karen Dawdy have a son, William Bradford, as of 14 Oct 61. They live at Qtrs 2537-D, Ft. Lewis. Denny Dice is assigned to a NIKE site near Pittsburgh—his home territory. He and Anne have a daughter, Julia, born in Mar 61.

"On the opposite side of the country, Bobby Eckert is assigned to a site near Los Angeles. He, Carol, and Christopher (May 61) live at 12346 Loretta Circle, Garden Grove, Calif. From Ulm, Germany, Jack Elder reports that he is assigned to the 4th Armd Div (A Co, 2/41 Inf, APO 35, N.Y.), and is presently company XO. Although he spends a great deal of time in the field, he and Jannie have had time to take a trip to England. They were expecting a baby in July.

"The only thing we know about Pat Holland is that he's stationed in Germany, and that he and Alice have a daughter, Ashlynd Meredith, born Sep 61. Cal Johnson has really been 'getting around.' His training to become a navigator-bombardier took him to James Conally AFB at Waco, Tex., for 10 months, then to Mather AFB, Calif., for about 6 months. After graduation, he went to Wichita, Kans., for 5 months of B-47 school, after which he'll finally get an operational assignment at Dyes AFB at Abilene, Tex. He and wife Melba have a son, Carlyle Robert, born 20 Oct 61. As for Bob Johnson, he's assigned to Btry D, 4th Msl Bn, 67th Arty: a site about 18 miles north of San Francisco. He has a new job as IFC Plt Ldr, and goes to law school 3 nights a week. He and Anne live at 225 Johnstone Dr., San Rafael, Calif., and are believed to be parents as of May 62. Bax Mowery writes from Ft. Campbell that he has 20 Army jumps and a grand total of 80 (sky diving). From Bragg, Kelly O'Malley (Mtr Btry 2/187 Inf) reports that he has done everything under the sun and is now

XO. He's still a bachelor, but is now the proud godfather of the Burdens' baby girl. Ed Osborne and wife Mary (married 23 Sep 61) are now living at 6532 N. 59th Dr., Greendale, Ariz.

"A long note from Larry Sapper tells us that after graduation he went to work for Chevrolet Indianapolis Div of GMC as a time-study engineer. In Sept 61 he was granted a graduate assistantship in the Math Dept at Ball State Teachers College in Muncie, Ind. His fiancée Bonnie, is a nurse there—or was; by now they're married and will be in the Army for 2 years (he was given a commission in the Indiana National Guard). Bill Sartoris and wife Joan now have a baby girl, Jean Marie, and are living at 250 Spear Dr., Ft. Bragg. In his battery Bill has been Plt Ldr, XO, and is now in S-3 training. Tom Van Riper is assigned to a NIKE site just south of San Francisco, and he and Jean live at 8 Menlo Ave., Daly City, Calif. These two enjoyed Christmas holidays in Hawaii, taking a space-available hop and staying at officer guest quarters on the most beautiful beach on the island! The only news from Emer Yeager is that he's married and he and Sherry live at 186 Lakeview Circle, Wahiawa, Hawaii—and they are expecting."

Quite a chronicle! May I recommend this procedure to some of the rest of you; if you send me periodic company newsletters, I'll try to reprint them in their entirety. I can probably run two companies at a time, and you find out about everyone at once.

From Jean Burden (who sent me the newsletter) comes the latest word from the Braggites: Milt Cooper ADC to General Throckmorton; Lonnie and Carol Coose with baby #2 since Jun; Dick Cox now CO of a rifle company in the 501st; Tom Donahue now with 82d Abn's AG channels; Frank and Jean Farrell now with son, Francis III, born in Apr; Jim and Mitzi Jansen with son Jeffrey since 15 Mar 62—that makes two. More meanderings: Joe Cote now in Ordnance Corps at Springfield Arsenal; Austin Vencill back from Laos this fall; Chuck Valliant married Nov 61—he and Julia are with Mtr Btry 2 501 Inf; Bill, Bette, and Billy Raymond live at 371 Spear Dr. He's with 82d Abn PIO.(?) Anthony Myers born to Bob and Sara Jane in Mar 62. They're at 301 N. Lucas St.; Tom and Gerry Noel expecting their first baby soon.

Received a very sweet note from Jim De Ment's mother—he's now ADC to Maj. Gen. Tacon, new JUSMAAG chief in the Philippines. Jim and Sharon are now attached to the US Embassy in Manila (Det 5, JUSMAAG, APO 928, S.F.)! Some people have the most extraordinary good fortune!

Barbara Marcinkowski writes for Bob—but from the hallowed halls of Purdue, not Ft. Campbell. Bob transferred to Ordnance Corps in May and is now working for his master's. Before he left Campbell, however, he managed to come up with little boy #2: Scott, born 26 May 62. Also at Purdue are Joe and Arlene Jascewsky, and Harry White (who is also married now, I hear). Bob and Barbara are living at 407 S. 16th St., Lafayette, Ind.

John Kirby writes to us from the strangers in blue—I mean the renegades who deserted to the AF. He went to a 51-week school at Keesler AFB in electronics and then was assigned as electronics officer in a radar and guidance site—part of the 601st Tac Control Sqdn (Can you imagine going to school for 51 weeks?!). He returned to the States to marry Elizabeth Harrington in Aug and is living near Kassel, Germany (APO 171). With

him is John Hargrave—now married—and stationed nearby at a German AFB. Also at Keesler with them were Frank Cloutier (who then went to flight school) and Duncan Wilmore (who went on to navigation school).

Garrett Sampson dropped me a line from Kelly AFB, San Antonio. He's flying Air Evac (C-131's) and gets around the countryside a good bit, so has quite a bit of news. He ran into Craig Hagan (502d Inf) and Bill Carpenter at Campbell. Also saw Rog Ryan, who had a chute malfunction while jumping for the Abn School at Campbell, broke a vertebra, and is out of action for a couple of months. To top it all off, he's got orders for a heavy bridge company in Korea! Don Usry and Craig Colter (married to Joanne Meyer in Aug) are both at Luke AFB with F-100's. Bob Keen went to Perrin AFB to study F-102's and was to be there through this fall. Garry saw Bob Montgomery in Paris last year. He and Paul Miles are still at Oxford (address: OUSARMA Navy 100, FPO, N.Y.). John Birkholz is at Patrick AFB, Fla, (176-A, N. Ala. Dr.). He's a missile man and spends half his time TDY here and there under the pretext of training. He is soon to be joined by Lee Farmelo. Garry says he can't promise anything for sure in the way of drags, but stop anyway and have a drink. His address: Apt D, 410 Croyden Ave., San Antonio 26, Tex.

So much for the correspondence side of things; I have news also from my frequent travels over sunny Europe, most of which take place on the road between Bamberg and Grafenwoehr. Anyway, here's the latest: Bill Ruedel is, I hear, married and still at Illesheim. Lea Clarke is still Asst S-3 for the 1st Sqdn, 2d Cav, but has lost his bachelor status—he got married this fall! I saw a bunch of people at Graf last month. Art Carey now has a tank company in the 35th Armor at Erlangen. So does Vic Letonoff in the 37th at Crailsheim (Guess what else Vic has?—#3 on the way!). Linc German is a battery CO, but I can't remember what Arty Bn. Saw Rudy Rudisill, Jack Elder, George Finley, Ed Laurance (he's an XO in 14th Cav), Jim Tichenor, Hal Lusky, Bill Chamberlain, and several others. Here in Bamberg, John Searles still has Davy Crocket, and so does John McKinney (I think). John and Nancy also have a new member of the family, a little girl born in Jul. Mary Ann and I are still around, as is Eddie Jr. I just recently moved to XO of our tank company. And, that's about the size of it for this issue, folks.

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Having passed the first hurdle and turned the gold bars in for silver, many in the Class now are awaiting orders for a permanent change of station. Although those of you in Korea will soon have a stateside address, we in Germany have 2 more years of life on foreign soil.

I have yet to hear any serious complaints about life in Southern Bavaria. Terry Kirkpatrick writes from Munich that he and his bachelor friends, Bob Hardiman, Mac Compton, Bob Oliver, and Gene Witherspoon, are having the time of their lives. Chip Smith recently married Sally Ann in that locale, and Rog Middlesteadt is among the "old marrieds" in the crowd. Other classmates Terry has run into around Munich are Don Bonko, Kathy and Pete Boylan, Burt Custer, Ken

**Geiger**, and **Phil Mallory**. An ex-classmate, **Shane Olshansky**, is also in the vicinity; and **Rus Cornelius**, Bn Recon officer with the 27th Arty, is living in Friedburg with his wife, **Carolyn**.

From the 35th Armor in Mannheim, **Webb Kremer** reports that he has run into **John Cornelson**, with the 48th Inf at Worms, and **Dave Biddinger**, newly assigned to the 504th Sig Bn in Mannheim. **Hugh Vaughn** is there with the 8th Cav (Abn), and **Jim Struve** is located nearby. While at Grafenwoehr, **Webb** ran into **Danny Minor**, **Tom Carroll**, and **Neil Grigg**, all attending a motor officers' course.

On my last trip to Graf I saw **Tal Hughs**, stationed with the 51st in Mannheim. In passing I ran into **Pete Heimdahl**, taking his annual tests, and **Don McBee**, **Bruce Seidel**, and **Marty Walsh** were in schools at Vilseck.

Here at Schwaebisch Gmuend, **Bunny** and **Steve Walker** were married in November. His best man, **Dick Regan**, was farsighted enough to plan the bachelor party 2 nights in advance, and it mattered little that the groom missed his rehearsal. **Ruth** and **Ben Covington** were there, **Ruth** being **Bunny's** cousin and matron of honor. Others in the wedding party were **Chuck Randolph** and **George Henderson**.

From Hawaii, **Joyce** and **John Votow** announce the birth of a daughter, **Laura Jayne**, shortly before **John** returned from Thailand. Others back in Hawaii from the Far East are **Herky Hodge**, **Bruce Lammers**, and **Mouse Maloney**, with the 27th Inf, and **Dean Frazier**, **Harry Miller**, **Wayne Ploger**, **Frank Rauch**, **George Seckinger**, and **Hank Van Gorder**, all of the 8th Arty. As yet apparently not caught in the shuttle to Thailand are **Bill Griffiths**, **Tom Matson**, and **Tom Sherburne**, in the 69th Armor at Schofield Barracks; **Bill Esselstein** and **Tom Minnehan**, in the 4th Cav; **Jerry Clements** and **Bruce Dalgleish**, with the 21st Inf; **Jack Kampfer**, **Jim McGinnis**, and **Mark Popovich**, with the 13th Arty; and **Jack Dorr**, in the 65th Eng. By the time this article goes to press, I imagine many of the above may be taking their turn for 4 months, for the following are now due back in Hawaii from the Far East: **Joe Czuberki**, **Monte Sloan**, and **Jim Strachan**, with the 35th Inf, and **Bob Cairns**, **Dick Angstadt**, **Howie DeWitt**, **Chuck Heiman**, **Charlie Hansell**, and **John Oliver**, with the 9th Arty.

**Buffy** and **Hampy Hodges** write that they are really enjoying life at Schofield Barracks; among the many classmates there they have seen have been **Kim Fox**, traveling through with the Marines, and **Joe Maio** and **Joe Stringham**, both on TDY from Korea.

**Joe Maio** reports that that trip was for the purpose of observing counter-guerilla training, in preparation for the counter-guerilla warfare school he was conducting. **Joe Stringham** was operations officer for the 7th Div Ranger School (assisted by **Sgt. Rainwater**, familiar to all of us who survived the Mountain Ranger Camp). A run-down of other Korean classmates follows: **Court Ritgers** is a Plt Ldr of the Div Honor Guard, 1st Cav Div, and **Cy Shearer** and **Bob Liebman** are XO's in the 5th Cav of that division. **Ken Hruby** and **Butch Robertson** are also Execs in the 7th Cav, where **Reggy Brown** commands a recon platoon. **Frog Evetts** and **Tom Pusser** are Execs in the 8th, where **Ted Showalter** is a Co Comdr. **Jack Fischer**, recon Plt Ldr there, is engaged to be married in the US in March. **Ron Hannon** is S3 Air in the 7th Cav, and **Chan Green** is the S1 in the 4th Cav. In the 8th Eng Bn, **Dave Ackerman**

and **Moose Harmon** command companies, and **Dan Barney** and **Tom Cuthbert** are XO's.

**Tom Stone** reports that **Jim Winters** is Exec of a 155 battery, as was **Jimmy Oaks** until he was selected as aide to a BG on the 1st Cav Div staff. In the 7th Inf Div, **Tom** is commanding a 105 battery, and **Bob Dunning** and **Mark Silverman** are holding down Exec jobs. **Bob's** wife, **Carol Lee**, recently gave birth to a son, **Bob Jr.** **Andy Bennett** is and Asst 3 for his Bn, and **Bill Deuel** writes that he, **John Guthrie**, and **RJ Wooten** are all Com Comdrs in the 7th Inf. In the same area are **Jim Haise**, with the 32d Inf, **Jay Olijniczak** in the 31st Inf, and **Don Miller** in the 3d.

**Max Potter** reports from Okinawa that he is assigned to a Hawk battery located on the top of the second highest mountain on the island, and 30 miles from the nearest city. Newly arrived in Okinawa are **Dick Cullum**, **Dale Himes**, and **Rod Grannemann**, all assigned to the 1st Special Forces Grp at Ft. Buckner.

A letter from **Bob McConnell** brings us up to date on many of our Air Force classmates. **Bob** is assigned to B-52's with SAC and stationed at Columbus AFB, Miss. and **Sally** and **Bob Gilliam** have a similar assignment in Biggs AFB, Tex. Recently at Survival School at Stead AFB, Nev., **Bob** ran into several friends: **Warren Watson**, who will be flying DC-135 jet tankers for SAC at Biggs AFB, Tex; **Bob Strauss**, flying T-29's at James Connally AFB, Tex; and **Warren Miller**, navigating a C-124 out of Travis AFB, Calif. **Bob** also reports that **Valerie** and **Burke Mucho** are at Charleston, SC, with a MATS C-124, and that **Dick Knoblock** is flying a T-39 out of LA International. **Nick Plodinec** is reportedly at Donaldson AFB, SC, and **Don Dreesbach** is stationed at Yokota Air Base, Japan.

**Judy** and **Jack Campbell**, recently assigned to the 47th Arty Brigade (Air Defense) in Los Angeles, announce the birth of a son, **Scott**, on 5 Dec. **Ann** and **Wayne Williams**, also in the same area, had a son, **Chet**, in Sept.

From Ft. Lewis, Wash., **Goody Goodell** writes that he is with the 12th Inf, along with **Dick Skaggs** and **Pat Murphy**, who had a son born last June. **Mike Hale**, the father of a new girl, recently arrived there as Asst to the Post CofS. **Charlie Armstrong** is with the 39th Inf there, and **Bren Battle** and **Fran Egan** are wearers of the EIB in the 8th Inf. **John Eilson**, with the 4th Eng Bn, recently was married, and celebrated by buying a new Volkswagon. Also with the 4th Eng are **Sweeney Brown** and **Manly Parks**, who was recently on TDY to Ft. Belvoir for ADM School. At Ft. Lewis with the 124th Sig Bn are **Don Barbour**, **Walt Claassen**, **Bruce Kovac**, and **Mike Xenos**, who has orders to go to Vietnam early in '63. **Goody** further reports that at Yakima Firing Center he ran into **Carl Bacon**, **Ed Leland**, **Jay Cook**, and **Dave Mace**. Other Armor files in the area are **Ron Hines** and **Dick Behrenhausen**, both fathers, and **Willie Doherty**, still a confirmed bachelor. **Rick Conant** is there, driving a new Pugeot, his third car since graduation; **Jim Nicholson** is leading a Davy Crocket Plt with the 22d Inf.

**Buck Shaffer** writes that he and five classmates are really enjoying the Dallas-Fort Worth area. **Carolle** and **Monty Harden** had a baby in October, **Monroe Jr.**; **Carolyn** and **Bruce Bradford** had a girl in August. **Buck** and **Monty** are working in Opns (AADCP) as tactical directors, and **Rusty Dyer** is PIO in the same Bn. **Gil Hallenbeck** is commanding a Plt in that vicinity, as is **Bob Protzman**.

In August, **John MacLean** married a girl near Dallas. At the wedding was **Tom Blanda**, who is engaged to be married in June.

**Tom**, **Hoot Gibson**, **Red Zaldo**, and **Howie Roberts** are now living together in a house off post near Ft. Campbell, Ky. **Tom** and **Hoot**, along with **Jim Conners** and **Al Vanderbush**, spent much time in the fall playing football for the "101st Eagles." **Rog Cornelius**, there with the 326th Engineers, recently finished Jumpmaster course.

**Nancy** and **Gene LaBorne**, also at Ft. Campbell, report the birth of a daughter, **Jeanine**, born in June. Baby congratulations are also in order for the following: **Dawn** and **Bob Glass**, a son, **Bob Jr.**; **Jan** and **Dick Yule**, a son, **Richard III**; **Linda** and **Butch Downing**, a daughter, **Laura**; **Gerri** and **Pat Carroll**, a daughter, **Chris Ann**; and **Harvey Brown**, a son, **Kevin**.

From the 82d at Ft. Bragg, **Marty Gander** writes that he and many classmates again have the privilege of serving under "The Throck." The bachelors there parallel the Hollywood "rat pack," under the leadership of **John ("Killer") Kilkenny**. He, **Mike Breslin**, **Bob McCarthy**, **Bruce Shroyer**, and **Phil Sykes** have all been stalwarts of the local football teams. **Stan Clough**, there with the Sig Bn, recently received orders for Vietnam in March. **Jim Blesse** spent a few weeks at Bragg, on TDY from Ft. Kobe, Canal Zone, for the Jumpmaster's Course.

**Dan DiCarlo** is now in command of the largest Sig company at Ft. Hood, Tex. In the same unit are **Art Downey** and **Connie Leinbach**.

From Ft. Devons, Mass., comes the announcement that **Dave Ritchie** is now the father of a son, **Paul**, born in November.

I just received a note from **Ben Legare** ex-'61 (F1). He was assigned to the Honor Guard, Ft. Meyer, Va., and is now finishing up at The Citadel in Charleston, S.C. This summer he will be commissioned and sent to Ft. Benning, Ga.

An "M-I Newsletter" arrived from **Gary Webster** after completion of this article, and so instead of integrating it with the above, I'll include his information as an extra paragraph. **Gary** himself is ordered to Donaldson AFB to fly C-124's for the next 5 years. **Janet** and **Bill Seibel** are stationed at James Connally AFB, Tex., where **Bill** recently finished Navigator Training. **Anita** and **Bob Montgomery** are at Mather AFB, Calif., as are **Pat** and **Ben Glidden**. **Anita** had a son, **Bob III**, in October. **Betty** and **Bob Hampton** are living at Ft. Meade, Md., and **Dick Davis** is at nearby Ft. Belvoir. **Quinn Pearl** is at Ft. Campbell, Ky., as are **Mary** and **Pat Trinkle** (married in November of '62). **John Neiger** is presently stationed with a Nike site at Grafton, Ill. In Crailsheim, Germany, **Ginna** and **Joe Fishburne** are living on the economy, as are **Barbara** and **George Fox**, near Nuernberg. **Susan** and **Bill Stricklen** are living in Wertheim, assigned to the 52d Arty. **Charlie Green** is with the 12th Cav in Germany, and **Pat** and **Larry Praither** are with the 15th, living on the economy with their new daughter, **Pamela Marie**. **Brenda** and **Deac Lancaster** are presently with the 2nd AC in Germany, but **Deac** is applying for an assignment with the Army Security Agency.

One last note—A 1961 miniature was recently found in the vicinity of Buena Park, Calif. Anyone knowing who may have lost it, write me and I will send the necessary information.

Please keep me posted on new orders, arrivals, etc.; the deadline for the spring issue is 10 Mar.

## "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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## Frederick Blair Kerr

NO. 3925 CLASS OF 1899

Died 1 November 1962 at Clearfield, Pennsylvania, aged 86 years.

FREDERICK BLAIR KERR was born 27 October 1876, in Clearfield, Pa., the son of James and Julia Smith Kerr. It was while he was a high school student in Washington, D. C., where he lived while his father was a congressman, that he was appointed to the US Military Academy.

Before entering the Academy in June 1895, he studied at Braden's Preparatory School near West Point. Freddy, as he was affectionately called by his classmates in the Class of 1899, was manager of the football team in 1898, and he remained an avid and loyal follower of West Point football for the rest of his life.

Of all the tales of his cadet years which Freddy loved to recount to his family and friends, perhaps his favorite story was of an event during his last year at the Academy. Gen. John J. Pershing, then a captain and tactical officer at West Point, was making an inspection tour in the barracks, opened a door, and had a bucket of water descend on him. Pershing then announced that all traditional liberties for the Class of '99 would be withdrawn for their final 90 days as cadets unless the culprits responsible for the prank stepped forward. Freddy and his roommate, Edward Murphy Markham, later chief of Army Engineers, volunteered to assume responsibility, but the Class refused to allow them to do so and accepted the punishment. Although not personally responsible for the prank, Freddy always told of his embarrassment some 19 years later when Gen. Pershing, inspecting his regiment in France, stopped to ask if he hadn't been in the Class of '99 and roomed with Markham. When Freddy admitted he had been, the General just humphed.

After graduating in February 1899, Fred was commissioned a 2d lieutenant of Infantry and served in the Philippine Islands and at Fort Crook, Nebr., with the 22d US Infantry from 1899 to 1904. He was awarded the Silver Star and cited for gallantry in action at Rio Anayo Balaga, Philippine Islands, 28 September 1899.

Fred resigned his commission in March 1904, to enter business with his father. He was a businessman in Clearfield from that time until his death, except for service in World War I and as adjutant general of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

He reentered the Service in 1917 as a major of Ordnance but transferred to the Engineers and later was colonel and commander of the 23d Engineers in France, where he and his regiment were personally cited by Gen. Pershing for outstanding work in the Meuse-Argonne and other campaigns. Intensely proud of the 23d Engineers, Fred was especially proud of the fact that the men of the regiment, which was disbanded following World War I, retained their regimental bonds through the years in the 23d Engineers Association, of which he was past honorary president at the time of his death. The respect for Fred which those in the regiment had for him is shown in an article in the *Highwayman*, the regimental newspaper, published 11 October 1918, at the time of his promotion to colonel. The article states: "We wish we could say 'popular' in a way that could halfway convey just how

solid Col. Frederick B. Kerr is with the men behind him. To employ the noun 'popularity' in any attempt to describe his place in the hearts of his men would, when compared with his real status, amount to nothing short of calling him a sort of military necessity. 'Popular' doesn't mean anything at all when used in connection with our colonel. He's there a million—and we're with him ten million more."

Discharged in 1919, Fred returned to business in Clearfield where he was president of the Potts Run Coal Company, Boardman Coal Mining Company, and the Commonwealth Coal & Coke Company. Active in community activities, he was a long-time member of Clearfield Borough Council, school and park boards, and during World War II served for over six years as a member of the Clearfield county draft board.

One of the Founders of the American Legion at the time of its organization in Paris, Fred was in 1919-1920 the first elected commander of the John Lewis Shade Post No. 6, American Legion, Clearfield. In 1958 he was awarded a medal by the Clearfield



Legion Post as "outstanding citizen of Clearfield." Fred was also a member of the United Spanish-American War Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

From 1935 to 1939 he served as adjutant general of Pennsylvania during the administration of Governor George H. Earle. During that time he was promoted to the rank of brigadier general. Indicative of his quiet modesty was his preference for the title of colonel.

His deep fondness for his Alma Mater never waned, and he never tired of telling his children, grandchildren, and friends of his days at West Point. When he returned in 1954 to the 55th reunion of the Class of '99, he was accompanied by his two grandsons, one of whom, Lt. William C. Chase Jr., later graduated from the Academy with the Class of 1960 and is currently on duty in Hawaii.

He was married 3 September 1902, to the former Emily Alexander Bigler, who survives, as do three children: Edmund B. Kerr and Mrs. William C. Chase, both of Clearfield, and Mrs. Robert O. Read, Providence, R I; five grandchildren and two great grandsons.

At the time of his death an editorial in the *Clearfield Progress* paid him tribute by noting: "We think all of Clearfield must have been saddened by the death of Gen. Frederick B. Kerr. . . . He was a Gentleman of the Old

School and his lifetime of service to his community, his state, and his nation remains as a shining example to the generations following him."

—Emily Chase Weaver (Granddaughter)

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## Gilbert Albin Youngberg

NO. 3947 CLASS OF 1900

Died 4 February 1962 at Jacksonville, Florida, aged 86 years.

ON 12 FEBRUARY 1875, in Belle Creek Township, Minnesota, Gilbert Albin Youngberg was born to Peter and Christine Youngberg who had arrived in the United States from Sweden during 1865. When he was five years of age, Gilbert's family moved from their farm to the small village of Cannon Falls, Minn., in order that their children might receive a more regular and better education. It was here that Gilbert spent his early youth and graduated from high school in 1892. The matter of education was an important "must" in the Youngberg family and Gilbert decided that the career of a doctor of medicine looked most attractive. After one year postgraduate work in high school laboratory and two years as a pre-medical student at Carleton College, Minn., he realized that the money necessary to continue college was not available. Hearing that the local Congressman was holding examinations for appointment of boys to the US Naval and Military Academies, where students received the magnificent sum of 45 dollars monthly plus free room, board, books, and uniforms seemed like the answer to a prayer. Knowing nothing about either Academy, Gilbert took the examination and much to his surprise was announced the winner with his choice of either school. Since he had to have 400 dollars to deposit when he reported to the Academy, and the West Point appointment was for the following year, the extra time would allow him to get the money and West Point was the choice.

During June 1896 Gilbert reported for duty at West Point. It did not take long to realize that this wonderful gift of a benevolent government had some distinct drawbacks. The rigid discipline and Plebe hazing was quite a shock, but now that he was committed he decided to stay at least the first year and then go back to his medical training. Before the first year ended, the desire to stay one more and get revenge on the next Class before resigning seemed important. During that second year the desire for a military career completely took over, with the result that he graduated number eight in a Class of 54.

Gilbert's experiences as a young man with little money who therefore was required to work for everything he wanted, his two years at Carleton College and a year of teaching school just prior to entering West Point had its maturing effect, and at the Academy his self control, calm judgment, and dedication to his work brought quick recognition. He became a Yearling corporal, a Second Classman sergeant, a First Classman lieutenant in charge of new cadets and finally Cadet First Captain of the Corps of Cadets. In athletics he participated in track events and was a member of his class track team. He was elected secretary and treasurer of his Class. In the 1900 class HOWITZER his classmates characterized him "A good-humored, even-tempered horseman with a fair share of uncommon and a large lot of common sense"

Upon graduation, the young, new 2d lieutenant was assigned to the 3d Regiment of Artillery and, in less than six months, found himself with his regiment in the Philippine Islands, where for several months he had the custody of the famed Philippine insurgent, Aguinaldo. At this time the Army Engineers were looking for additional officers and Gilbert readily accepted transfer to the Engineer Corps on 2 February 1901. He had now found the work and career he loved.

From 1901 to 1907 Gilbert had various engineering assignments, including a tour as assistant instructor and later a student at the General Service and Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. It was during this period that he had the great fortune to meet and marry, on 22 April 1903, Miss Adele Harriett ("Polly") deRaimes of New York. During 1906 he moved to Cuba in the Army of Occupation and became the resident engineer in charge of construction of a highway from the City of Pinar del Rio north to the town of Vinales and thence to the Gulf of Mexico at Esperanza.

Returning to the United States in April 1909, Gilbert performed some military surveys near Boston, Mass., then entered the Army War College as a student in September graduating in the fall of 1910. Although eligible for detail to the Army General Staff, he was offered duty at the US Military Academy as head of the Department of Practical Military Engineering.

It was at this time the writer, a humble cadet, first met the then Major Youngberg. I must admit that I stood in awe of the tall, erect, calm and kindly officer who tried so hard to pound some knowledge of surveying and map making into our rather thick brains. I will always remember his unlimited patience and consideration as I and other cadets struggled with our engineering tasks. Later on, as senior cadet, I had the honor and privilege of entree into Gilbert's and Polly's charming home and greatly enjoyed their wonderful hospitality.

While at West Point Gilbert reorganized the Military Engineering Department, greatly improved the methods of instruction and, through his efforts, raised the rank of the Department Head to that of Professor. After four most successful years at West Point he was detailed as Engineer of the Charleston, S. C., District of the Engineer Department in charge of fortifications and river and harbor improvements.

With the coming of War, 18 July 1917 saw Gilbert en route to Headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces in France. There he served as executive officer, Office Chief of Engineers, AEF, then as assistant G-4, General Staff, AEF. As an additional duty he was head of the supply of engineering and construction materials and the distribution of engineer labor forces. At the War's end he was appointed a member of the American Section of the International Armistice Commission to organize and arrange details relating to the execution of the armistice terms. For these war services, Gilbert was recommended for promotion to brigadier general by the Commander in Chief AEF, but because of the end of the hostilities the War Department did not act upon the recommendation. It was not until June 1940 that the promotion was granted. General Pershing awarded Gilbert the Distinguished Service Medal with a citation as follows; GILBERT A YOUNGBERG, Colonel. US Army.

"For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services. He served as representative

of the Engineer Department and later as principal assistant to the Chief of the G-4 Section, General Staff, American Expeditionary Forces. He performed duties of the greatest importance in connection with construction projects of the Army. By his high professional attainments and tireless energy, his sound judgment and logical recommendations on questions of construction, supply and transportation, he materially assisted in the success of our forces in the field. In all matters he displayed remarkable ability and rendered services of the highest character to the Government."

Among other honors received during World War I were: Companion of the Distinguished Service Order by Great Britain; Officer of the Legion of Honor by France, and Officer of the Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus by Italy.

Gilbert was generally recognized as one of the most progressive engineers of the Army and contributed numerous articles on various engineering subjects to engineering, military and civilian periodicals, including the *US Army Military Engineer* and the *Encyclopedia Britannica*. He was co-founder of the Society



of Military Engineers and its second president.

With the termination of World War I, he returned to Washington, D. C., and served three years in the office of the Chief of Engineers. He was then assigned as US District Engineer of the Florida Peninsula, with station at Jacksonville. This assignment was particularly pleasing because of his great interest in river and harbor improvements. He had to examine and review, for the Engineer Department, all plans for the construction of islands, jetties, sea walls, and other structures in Florida waters financed by private capital, as well as supervise all river and harbor work directed by the US Government.

At his own request, after thirty years' service, Gilbert was retired from active service in the Army during March 1926 and immediately entered private practice as a consulting engineer, specializing in river and harbor improvements and other maritime projects with particular attention to means and methods of protecting beaches against erosion. In this civilian capacity he served as chief engineer for the development of several Florida Inlet Districts; prepared numerous economic studies looking toward the adoption, as US Government projects, of various waterways throughout Florida. He was appointed chief engineer and director of procurement of the Florida Inland Navigation Waterway, an or-

ganization he assisted in forming, which was necessary to meet local conditions imposed by Congress in relation to the improvement of the Old Florida East Coast Canal. Aside from the engineering work, Gilbert found time to become president of the Security Building and Loan Company, a director of the Title and Trust Company, member of the Chamber of Commerce, a Rotarian, and member of both the Timaquana Country Club and Florida Yacht Club, all of Jacksonville. He and his family were long-standing members of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd of Jacksonville.

Gilbert and Polly were the proud parents of three children: Helen Biddle (Mrs. Charles E Richheimer of Jacksonville), Gilbert Albin (deceased), and Adele deRaimes (Mrs. Fleming Wood Smith of Nashville, Tenn.) They are survived by the two daughters, two grandsons, one granddaughter and one great grandson.

One of Gilbert's close friends has summed up, in a few well-chosen words, the character and personality of this kindly, considerate, and brilliant man when he wrote—"Gilbert Youngberg combined all those qualities of an 'Officer and a Gentleman.' Too lofty a soul ever to entertain a mean or petty sentiment, inflexible in his own high standards of honor and duty with a kindly tolerance and helpful sympathy which command the loyalty and affection of all who know him. A man with a simple and self-effacing modesty who has never sought honors nor rewards that have come to him except the consciousness of duty well performed."

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## George Arthur Lynch

NO. 4142

CLASS OF 1903

Died 10 August 1962 at Orlando, Florida,  
aged 82 years.

GEORGE ARTHUR LYNCH, Major General USA(Ret) and former Chief of Infantry, died on 10 August 1962 in Orlando, Fla., where he made his home following his retirement from active service in 1941.

He was born at Blairstown, Iowa, on 12 March 1880, where he lived until his appointment to the United States Military Academy in 1899. He graduated from the Academy in 1903 and spent the following several years in active field service in the Philippine campaigns. Returning to the United States in 1905, he married Gladys Chynoweth, the daughter of Otto Grethen Chynoweth, one of his senior officers during his Philippine service, who was also a graduate of USMA.

After a variety of duties as troop commander and War Department General Staff officer, he was assigned overseas with the 80th Division during World War I, where he participated in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. Upon return to the US he again had varied assignments in troop command and War Department General Staff. He graduated from the Army War College in 1930 and was assigned for the third time to the Philippines, this time as executive officer of the 31st US Infantry in Manila. This duty took him to China in 1932 when the regiment was moved to Shanghai to counter the Japanese threat to US interests there. Then followed a tour as G2 of I Corps Area at Governors Island, N.Y. During this period, a classmate, General Hugh Johnson, called him to Washington to assist in the critical work of the National Recovery Administration, the "Blue

Eagle' of depression years. He returned to the Orient in 1934, this time as commanding officer of the 15th US Infantry in Tientsin, China. In 1937 he was promoted to Major General as Chief of Infantry in the War Department.

He retired in 1941 and selected Orlando, Fla., for his home. There he remained until his death. He is survived by his widow Mildred Pelzer Lynch; three sons, Maj. Gen. George E. Lynch (Ret), of Columbus, Ga., Mr. Bradford C. Lynch, and Brig. Gen. James H. Lynch, both of Washington, D.C.; his daughter, Mrs. Howell H. Jordan, of Cocoa Beach, Fla.; his sister, Mrs. Ralph Wilbur, of Durham, N.C.; and seven grandchildren.

For his service during World War I he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

His citation reads:

"For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services, as a member of the Training Section, General Headquarters, he was chiefly responsible for the revision of the Infantry Drill Regulations. In this im-



portant task he displayed a broad grasp of the tactical lessons of the war and showed sound judgment in adapting their principles to American needs, capabilities, and characteristics, thereby rendering services of signal worth to the American Expeditionary Forces. During his term of office as Chief of Infantry he was vitally interested in, and chief proponent of the development of Airborne forces in the US Army. He also fostered the creation of the famous 'jeep,' the work-horse tactical vehicle of World War II and later. These two achievements were important factors in the success of US forces in World War II." Interment was in Arlington National Cemetery.

-Maj. Gen. George E. Lynch '29, USA (Ret)  
-Brig. Gen. James H. Lynch '38, USA

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### James Wilson Riley

NO. 4464 CLASS OF 1906

Died 30 October 1962 at Greenwich, Connecticut, aged 79 years.

JIM RILEY has passed to the other side of the river. After a period of inaction from a paralytic stroke, during which time he was at

his home in Greenwich, cared for by his nurses and loving family, the end came to him quietly. He was buried in Arlington, in the section where his other distinguished classmates rest in peace. The snow fell in great and pretty flakes as his body was lowered into the hallowed ground and that final sad bugle call with its haunting strains was blown. We survivors in his family and his West Point Class suffer an irreparable loss, for he was the active vice president, the secretary and treasurer of the Class of 1906 for more than 40 years. His fine contributions to our welfare and happiness as a Class were recognized at our 50th reunion by the presentation of an illuminated scroll, which he received with tears and humility. With deep sadness over his death, but with great thankfulness for our 60 years of friendship, I make this brief record of his life.

Jim was born in the tidewater country of South Carolina in the pretty little town of Barnwell, the seventh, or the eighth generation of his family on American shores; the third to bear the name of James Wilson Riley in that long and distinguished ancestral line. His forbears were soldiers too, and he came to his military calling in the family tradition. They had waded the Carolina swamps with Francis Marion, fought with General Greene at Cowpens and Kings Mountain, and were at Yorktown when Cornwallis surrendered and allowed our independence to be born. They were in the Mexican War and the War of 1812. In that long and futile struggle of the Confederacy and in the more terrible aftermath of defeat and reconstruction, they played a prominent part, and Jim's youth was entertained by the fireside talks of those struggles when his people had to take back their state from the carpetbaggers who had seized it, and to restore it to its greatness. The stories of that great southern novel, "Gone with the Wind," were not fiction to Jim nor to his parents.

Naturally, he went to the Citadel Military Academy at Charleston. Though we knew him as Jim, there he was J. Wilson Riley, and so he was known to his family and southern friends. At the Citadel, he won his corporal's chevrons and became the senior sergeant of the corps of cadets. Ever afterward he remained a devoted alumnus of that distinguished school, supporting it with his time and his financial help when the opportunity offered. In July 1902, he welcomed the call to West Point, a young, straight-backed, eager, well-trained Plebe. In his Yearling year, he was a corporal, and in his next year a senior sergeant. In his First Class year, he was a lieutenant and a captain in the Corps.

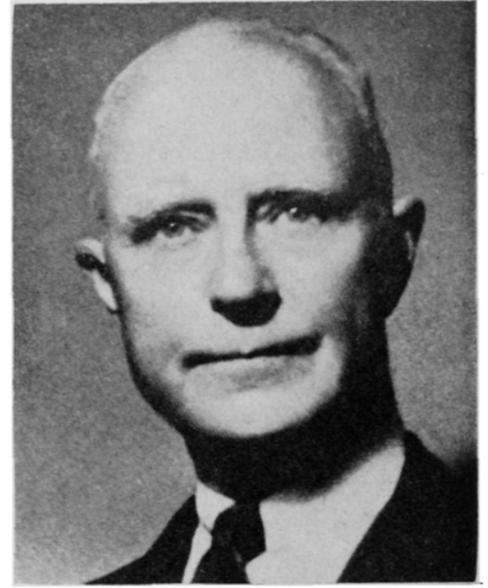
I like to remember him with his four gold chevrons, his red sashes, and the waving feathers of his shako, his slim figure erect and vibrant with the thrill of command, sounding off in that clear southern voice to that proud "F" company which he commanded. I like to remember that air of authority he assumed when he was cadet OD, daring anyone to commit sin in his august presence and also as hop manager, with his sashes, cutting a fine figure before the admiring young partners of the dance floor in Cullum Hall. He sang a lusty baritone in the gallery of the old chapel on Sunday mornings. He shot on the target range to become a marksman. He was an efficient editor, with the rest of us, on the HOWITZER, and a helper in the 100th Night Show. He made a hilarious speech at our furlough banquet at the Murray Hill, and was ever a gay and proud member of the Class of 1906.

In the service, he reported to the Artillery

Center at Fort Riley and soon was assigned as a student at the Mounted Service School. Along with many classmates and other mounted lieutenants, he trained an unbroken colt to be a pretty charger, learned to jump the riding hall barriers to the satisfaction of Walter Short, and became under hard instruction an amateur horse doctor.

At that time, the two posts, one for Cavalry and the other for Artillery, had a large contingent of gay Army daughters with whom all of us played and rode and drove through the posts and out over the prairies and canyons of that wide Fort Riley reservation. Jim was caught in that laughable Endurance Ride hoax of 1906 and rode some 50 laps of the bleak old riding hall with many other novitiates on a cold November night, while the amused post officers and their families looked on. At last, they could no longer hold back their laughter and gave away the trick. The whole Army had a good laugh and the participants had many bitter blushes over such a silly deception.

Jim took part in the formation of the 6th Field Artillery, but soon was detailed to the



Army Signal School at Fort Leavenworth. He was primed for an Army career as a Signal officer, when West Point called him back to be an instructor in mathematics. He joined a large group of young instructors in the academic work, many of them his classmates and nearly all of them bachelors. In the West Point Army Mess, these gay blades, one after another, stood up at the end of the long table, rang the bell and, with appropriate liquid entertainment for the mess, announced their conquests and their forthcoming weddings. Jim rang the bell and announced the name of Eugenie Ward Root of Detroit and New York and the Mess celebrated. Jim and Eugenie were married at the David Ward Homestead at Orchard Lake, Mich., in the summer of 1912 and they made their temporary home at West Point. Eugenie, whom we know as Gene, their four children, and 15 grandchildren survive and mourn a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather.

The next year Jim's name came to the top of the foreign service roster and the newlyweds sailed off to the Philippines. Jim served first at Fort McKinley and later at Camp Stotenberg, in addition to doing the odd tasks of mapping and special details that come to all lieutenants. At the end of the tour in 1915, the couple went off on a belated honeymoon through the southern Philippine Islands, through China and Japan, and back across

the continent to Fort Myer, Va., bringing with them two Royal Pekingese dogs to grace their new home. Fort Myer was then and still remains one of the choice posts of the Army, looking across the Potomac River to the beauty of the nation's capital. And Jim was just coming into the best command in the Army, the captain of a Field Artillery Battery.

Suddenly, Pancho Villa began to raid across the Mexican Border and the battery was off to the cactus prairies of Texas. At Leon Springs, at Laredo, and at other inaccessible points along the Rio Grande, the battery marched. At this time Gene's family finances were rapidly coming into Jim's inexperienced hands. His Army education was not geared for such matters. He had to get another education. It was not possible from these detached places for Jim to get in touch with needed financial advisers and to handle serious situations. He had to surrender his best command and, reluctantly, he submitted his resignation. He and Gene went back to New York where Jim could go to school again. Putting away his uniform in moth balls, he joined the firm of Curtis and Sanger in Wall Street and tried to forget the horses and the rolling caissons. He trained himself, assiduously, for more than a year in the intricacies of industrial and financial management. But, he was training for a task other than he planned.

The Germans began to attack our shipping on the high seas and threatening our way of life by their ruthless warfare. Jim took out his uniform and went back to the Army. How they welcomed him in Washington! A man with financial and industrial training was sorely needed to take over the German assets that had been seized in this country, for hardly anyone in the War Department was familiar with such a problem. Naturally, it fell into Jim's lap and he handled it well, not only from his recently acquired knowledge but also from his acquaintance with available men to help. And then war prisoners began to stream into the ports to be guarded in camps. That, too, came to Jim's desk. He made such a splendid showing on the two jobs that all were loath to let him go back when the war was over. Jim became a lieutenant colonel and won high praise for an unusual and difficult job well done. But at last, he was able to return to his financial problems.

In 1919, he and Gene set up their new home in the lovely Bellehaven section of Greenwich, Conn. Their four children were sent to the Greenwich schools and Jim and Gene became a part of an interesting and delightful social organization. Jim became a trustee of the Bellehaven Beach Club and was later elected its president; a trustee of the Bellehaven Land Association; a member of the Roundhill Country Club, and an interested and effective member of the local Episcopal church; of the Sons of the American Revolution; of the Sons of Confederate Veterans; of the Military Order of the Carabao; of the Newcomen Society of North America; and of the Philippine Society of New York. In New York City, he was elected to the Midday Club, the Military and Naval Club, and the University Club. In Washington, he kept his membership in the Army and Navy Club, where he often met with his classmates. He and his classmate Philip Mathews called together many old West Pointers in New York and started the local West Point Society, which ever since has conducted the annual West Point anniversary dinners. Both Jim and Gene took a prominent part in the Southern Society of New York and one memorable year

Jim was its president. It is not possible to record here the many acts of charity that marked the long service of Gene and Jim in the social life of their community. It was Gene's deep interest to foster the growth of the Army Relief Society. It was our good fortune to be near them both at West Point for four fine years and in New York City for another tour, during which we frequently found ourselves in each others' homes as welcome guests.

When General Wainwright, another classmate, was forced to surrender Corregidor after a brilliant fight and a worthy delaying action against the Japanese in 1942, Jim and McKew Parr organized a Wainwright Day with the governor and legislature of Connecticut. They invited Manuel Quezon, the President of the Philippines, many other notables, and all available classmates. The legislature passed memorial resolutions commending the action at Corregidor and praising Wainwright for his notable and brave stand. At a remarkable luncheon, speeches were made to show the appreciation of the state and the notables over the bitter and one-sided struggle and Wainwright's endurance of his terrible ordeal as a Japanese prisoner of war. It was a grand gesture. When it was ridiculed over the Japanese radio, Wainwright heard for the first time that his heroic act was appreciated at home.

A few years ago, when the children had grown up and married, making their own homes, Jim and Gene sold the big Bellehaven home and set up a new one on Dingtowntown road beside Fiddle Pond in the suburbs of Greenwich. With its spacious grounds, the children have made it the center of their activities and so has the Class of 1906. The whole reunion group, attending that lively 40th gathering at West Point, went out to the home for a preliminary party.

Jim and Gene maintained their deep interest in the Alma Mater at West Point through all their days, visiting there for all possible celebrations and athletic events. Jim was elected an officer of the Association of Graduates, a trustee of the West Point Foundation, and at the end of his service, he became an honorary trustee. He represented the Class and the Academy on many important occasions. He was the vice president and secretary and treasurer of his Class. His two sons, James Jr. and William, were elected honorary members of the Class of 1906, and Jim Jr. was elected assistant treasurer to care for the class fund when the members are gone.

Sixty years of close association as officers of the Class and of the Association of Graduates, as officers in the old Army, as close neighbors and friends at home and abroad, has never dimmed for a moment our wonderful friendship. I would like to dwell upon the many things we did together, the frequent meetings of ourselves and our families, the avuncular feeling of all four of the children toward Elizabeth and me, but here is space only for the story of Jim Riley.

I know no other man who has given so much of himself to his Class, to his Alma Mater, to his military command, to his office, to his city, to his state, and to his nation through all his days. Few men have managed so well family, business, or home. And at the end, in spite of much suffering and confinement, he met the world with a smile and a song. He came to the end of the long, long trail with honor and respect, keeping always before him the three great words—Duty, Honor, Country. A host of men and women over this earth bow their heads in memory of

his great soul, to whom life was worth the living and love was worth the having through nearly fourscore years. The Class of 1906, the Military Academy, and the nation acknowledge his great worth and revere his memory. God rest his gallant soul, until we meet again.

—Charles G. Mettler

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## Morgan Lewis Brett

NO. 4469

CLASS OF 1906

Died 2 August 1962 at Reno, Nevada,  
aged 81 years.

LEWIS BRETT was a member of the Class of 1906, USMA, from its initiation in June 1902 and graduated with that class in June 1906. It was one of the smallest classes of the early 20th century, having only 125 total enrollment and only 78 graduates; consequently, all the members were well acquainted with each other and formed friendships that lasted beyond cadet years and through military and civilian retirement. The Class was well prepared for its academic studies, many of its members being college graduates and others having attended college for a year or two. At graduation, it had one of the highest academic averages of any class to date. Throughout the cadet years, it had a fine record in football, baseball, and fencing—the major sports of that day. But its demerit record was nothing to brag about, for it found plenty of unusual excitement to entertain itself and the Corps, too much of which was discovered and recorded. In the services and in civil life, its record has been remarkable in peace and in war, and to this record Lewis Brett contributed largely.

He and I took the entrance examination together at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, in 1902, starting there our lifelong friendship. We were both thrilled to see the Star Spangled Banner flying above the fort almost as it flew when Francis Scott Key wrote his immortal song. In the fine restaurants of that gastronomic city, we found "roe shad" and "shad roe" on the same menu and we ordered both to solve the mystery—a memory we never forgot. We walked through the sallyport into the waiting arms of the Yearling corporals on a hot June day in 1902 and were both shocked at their ungentlemanly conduct. Before Beast Barracks was ended, Lewis had acquired the nickname of "Tow" from the color of his youthful locks.

We marched beside each other frequently to our recitations, for we were both in the upper sections, and, if sections were formed according to discipline and military records, we also would have marched together. We graduated three numbers apart. At Tow's urgent invitation, Zillah Quayle came to West Point from Cleveland, Ohio, to dance at the hops and to attend the games on several occasions. Nearly all of the classmates had dances on her hop cards to our delight and often to the disappointment of her escort, for we liked to tease him. Shortly after graduation, Tow and Zillah were married and reported together to the commander of the coast defenses of Boston. In a couple of years, they were stationed at Fort Moultrie, Charleston, S.C. There Tow accepted an invitation to join the Ordnance Department on detail and he and I reported together at the Sandy Hook Proving Ground. We had adjacent rooms at the Brick House. Jimmy Brett, the first-born of the Brett family, was learning the world's worries at Atlantic Highlands

nearly. for the wives were not allowed to live on our dangerous Proving Ground. Tow and I read Dr. Holt's baby book together. He graduated from the night school and the day proof work the next year, with Tracy Dickson as our much revered mentor. Tow went off to Watertown Arsenal for more Ordnance training and then joined "Kaiser" Wilhelm and me at the Watervliet Arsenal. He took a year-long course at the General Electric works at Schenectady, traveling there by trolley daily, leaving Zillah and the children with us at Watervliet. What fun we had!

For his sabbatical year with the line troops as required by law, Tow was assigned to Fort Hancock, N.J., only a short walk from the Proving Ground at Sandy Hook. The next year he stayed at the Proving Ground. But his turn had come for Washington duty and he reported there in 1915, making the Brett home at Chevy Chase, Md. Then, Newton Baker of Cleveland became Secretary of War in the Wilson Cabinet and the war in Europe was on.

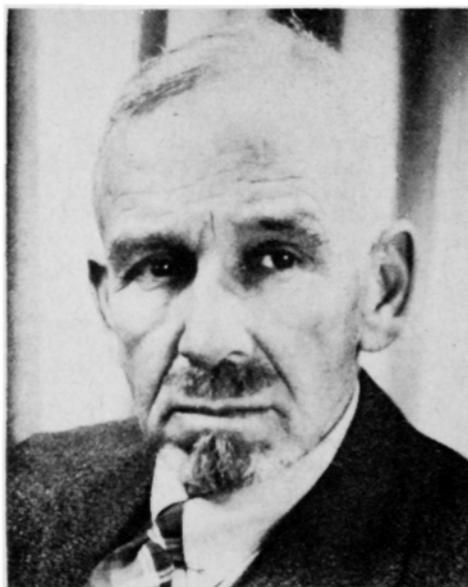
The Brett family of Cleveland, Ohio, was well acquainted with the Newton Bakers, and the new Secretary of War turned to Brett for assistance and advice. Tow became aide-de-camp to Mr. Baker. When we got into World War I, Tow accompanied the Secretary to France, performed a splendid service with him and was awarded the Purple Heart for Merit. He was also awarded the French Order of the Black Star. Tow began to show the Secretary the need for great munitions production and assisted in setting up the task of the Assistant Secretary of War for Munitions. Ben Crowell, a Cleveland lawyer, known to both Brett and the Secretary, was brought to Washington, and out of his service came the permanent organization of the Assistant Secretary's Office for Munitions, the Industrial College, and the renowned Army Ordnance Association (now the American Ordnance Association). Lewis Brett deserves much credit for the development of the industrial work of the Ordnance Department, and its recognition in higher circles.

Unfortunately, Tow began to suffer from an asthmatic condition that plagued him all his remaining life, but he stayed on to serve in the permanent Ordnance Department until 1932, when he was retired for permanent disability. In the meantime, we both served our turn at the Army War College at Washington Barracks of that day, worked our problems in the same room, and made our lectures before a distinguished class of officers, most of them just returned from duty in France with the American Expeditionary Force. We presented to them the home work of the arsenals and the factories, while they were in the midst of the struggle. Lewis went back to duty in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance for awhile and was then sent to the Pacific Coast to be the executive officer of the San Francisco Ordnance District. It was an interesting period of organization. At Stanford University, he set up a new Ordnance ROTC unit that has furnished many valuable Ordnance officers to the Regulars and the Reserves. Finally, the asthma became too difficult. He was placed on the Army retired list. In the meantime, he had established his home in Palo Alto, not far from San Francisco. In retirement, he hung out his shingle as an engineer doing much local work. There Dr. George Hale found him and gave him the task of building the base for his 200-inch telescope at Mt. Palomar. Tow finished this work, and the great reflector is reaching out into the universe, show-

ing the distant nebulae and stars that were beyond the range in other days. Tow received much praise for this excellent work.

In 1941, Tow was called back into active service. He established himself alone in an air-conditioned room in the Roosevelt hotel on 16th street in Washington and was able to survive the climate and perform a fine task as the advisor of the Brazilian Mission and of General J. Garesche Ord, in charge of the Brazilian munitions supply and liaison. He remained on duty throughout the war. In his lonely room in the evenings, he sometimes called me by long distance phone at Miami Beach and for long periods we went over our mutual problems and personal affairs. I chided him about wasting his money on such long calls, but he replied that he knew no better way to invest it than in our personal friendship. He was like that. I was receiving many of his Brazilians at Miami at that time and we had much to talk about.

After the war, he sought a climate favorable to his asthmatic trouble and found it at Tombstone, Ariz. Thereafter, he spent his summers at the family place at Fallen Leaf



Lake, near Lake Tahoe in the high Sierras, and his winters alone at the Tombstone sanctuary, where he reluctantly let me have a little peek by letters into his existence. At Fallen Leaf last summer he was seized by a persistent pain and was driven during the night by his grandson, Hudson Brett, to the Veterans hospital at Reno, Nev. He died the next day in great pain. The autopsy revealed that a gallstone had become misplaced, rupturing his pancreas, but that otherwise Tow was in excellent health. His body was taken to San Francisco and he was buried with military honors in the Golden Gate National Cemetery.

Zillah Brett died in Palo Alto in 1958. Their eldest son, James, was graduated from USMA in 1930 and, on that occasion, was presented with the saber of the Class of 1906 at an impressive ceremony. James retired, disabled, in 1934 and is now a partner of Coldwell, Banker, & Company in San Francisco. Another son, Morgan Jr., was graduated from the US Naval Academy in 1943, served in the Pacific in WWII, was seriously wounded in the battle of Okinawa, but recovered to serve on until he died of polio at Naples, Italy, while en route to Turkey. Son William is assistant librarian of the Oakland public library in California and is a lieutenant colonel of the US Army Reserves. One daughter is Mrs. Charles Stearns of Santa Barbara

and the other is Mrs. James Brye of Granada Hills, Calif.

Lewis Brett was a fine Episcopalian assisting and supporting the churches of his denomination at Chevy Chase, at Tombstone, Ariz., and at Fallen Leaf, Calif. He was a Spanish-American War Veteran, having entered West Point before the signing of the treaty of peace with Spain. He served with distinction in both World Wars. He handled a strategic office as aide to Secretary of War Newton Baker through World War I. He cared for a distinctive niche in the Brazilian Mission office in World War II. His mark is on the foundations of the great reflector at Mt. Palomar, Calif. The nation is grateful for such distinguished service. The Army and the Ordnance Department are proud to have trained him for the special positions that he filled so well. His class is proud to have him add to its glory. How wonderful it is to have had such a friend, who never failed to answer when called upon to serve. Goodby, Old Tow, until we meet beyond the river.

—Charles G. Mettler

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### William Edward Lane, Jr.

NO. 4504 CLASS OF 1906

Died 9 July 1962 at Peekskill, New York, aged 81 years.

WILLIAM E. LANE (familarly know as "Bill", though we tried to fasten the nickname "Shady" on him without success) was born in Peekskill, N.Y., was reared and educated there, and was appointed from there to West Point by Congressman Pugsley. Bill and I joined the other "Beasts" under the elms in front of barracks on a pretty June day in 1902, soon became good friends, and roomed together all four cadet years. Neither of us had intended to make the Army our careers in life, but were suddenly offered a chance for a much desired education. Neither of us had ever heard of the other until that June day.

That autumn, four of us Plebes were herded together in the fourth floor tower room in the first division of barracks with Douglas MacArthur as our captain and George Strong as our 1st sergeant. The other two plebes were "Doc" Sturgill and "Kaiser" Wilhelm. Our four tables were pushed together under the bright Welsbach light. Kaiser and I, being fast readers, finished our studies first, sometimes indicating same by whistling, "Hear the Birdies Sing," infuriating the other two and starting the evening scrap. All four of us were over six feet tall and very strong. The damage was considerable. The subdiv inspector soon arrived to collect his skins and the other upperclassmen to establish an armistice and deliver their lectures.

Bill and I remained together in A company until the First Class year when Bill became a lieutenant in C company. After much argument with the Commandant, I managed to get transferred to that "runt" organization, marching a head taller than any to meals and drills. The parades and reviews were not spoiled, as I was a color guard. Bill and I managed a well-regulated household. Bill, the better soldier, handled military matters and I, the better student, handled the academic ones. When Bill caught me sneaking out after taps on mischief bent, he would command, "Back to bed, you old delinquent. You can't afford any more demerits this month." When Bill got out his writing materials to "pour out

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his heart" to some lady friend, I would order, "Put them away until you can show me a 2.5 on tomorrow's lesson. You can't afford to get another 1.5 this month." Thus we collected teathts and avoided skins until we got the coveted diplomas. Bill has a sweet true baritone and sang in the choir. I led the singing at rallies and dinners with great volume but had to have Bill before me to keep me on key and tune. Bill won his "A" as pitcher on the Army baseball team. I won mine as a tackle on the Army football team.

Bill's widowed mother and his sister often announced their coming, chaperoning a bevy of pretty Peekskill girls. Bill found escorts for them all for walks, games, and dances. Often, I was handed my hop card, complete with my girl and all dances filled. I did not object, for the company was gay and interesting. When we came in after a hard day, we discussed our troubles over the alcove as we went to bed. When we had worn them out, Bill would say, "Tell me the story of the photographer." I would reply, "Ah, shut up and go to sleep." And we slept with tensions



relaxed. How pleasantly I remember that happy household!

After graduation, Bill learned that he was likely to be sent as a 2d lieutenant of Infantry to the Philippines, where he could not very comfortably take his ailing mother or his sister. Such a change would break their hearts, as would his absence without them. He returned his commission unsigned, believing that his responsibility to them was greater at that moment of peace and of a near surplus of 2d lieutenants than it was to the country. He stayed in Peekskill. He worked as receiving teller in the Westchester National Bank and later as a deputy in the office of the county surrogate.

When the excitement of the war in Europe and the trouble on the Mexican Border awakened his responsibility to his country, Bill joined the New York National Guard in the 22d Engineers, was made a 1st lieutenant at Camp Whitman, went off to the border, and was there promoted to captain. He was federalized with his regiment into the 102nd US Engineers, trained and conducted considerable work at Camp Humphreys, Va., sailed from Newport News, and landed with his regiment at St. Nazaire, France, on 30 May 1918 as part of the 27th Division. It was soon a part of the II US Army Corps, attached to the British forces as they re-entered Belgium. Bill, promoted to major, led the 102d Engineers against the best German

troops at Kemmel Hill, just south of Ypres on 29 September 1918, and across the La Selle river. The great drive lasted from 17 October until 6 November. Bill was commended for gallantry in action. He saw more service than most of his classmates, fighting alongside the British in the mud and rain and the deep trenches of Belgium, remaining in France until the next February, when his organization took the *Touraine* back to New York, going direct to camp to prepare for the return of the last elements. There he was mustered out and returned to Peekskill. He had paid his debt in full and running over.

Bill was soon elected a trustee of his village, became the mayor of the city and a much honored political leader. I am sure no one in his community carried the dignity and the respect that Bill established for himself. He had married Clara Louise Couch in 1915 and had set up his home on Requa street. There his children were born and reared. Clara and the children survive him. A couple years ago, Bill suffered a cerebral accident that paralyzed his muscles and rendered him almost completely disabled. Clara and the children cared for him until on 9 July 1962, he passed away in their presence. They buried him in the Hillside Cemetery near his home with the flowers of 1906 on his grave, a small tribute from his classmates to a fine soldier and a beloved son of West Point. I like to remember Bill, not only as my admired and beloved roommate and classmate, but also, as a lifelong friend, of great charm, gay humor and personal dignity with a high sense of duty and filial devotion. I like to remember him on our cadet practice marches and maneuvers, sitting on a log, singing in his pretty baritone voice with Earl Wilson of 1904, "Dear old Girl, the robin sings above you." I like to remember him on the pitcher's mound, rolling his big eyes at first base, daring a runner to take off one more inch, and then, hurling a fast one over the home plate. I like to remember those wonderful days when he and Clara came to visit us at the Watervliet Arsenal and when we drove one of those temperamental old autos of 1910 to Lake George, singing the miles away. And those later days, after World War II, when he and Clara came to visit Elizabeth and me at West Point to tell us of those bitter times on the Flanders front when he led his regiment across the rivers and the fields against the wily entrenched Germans, breaking down their haughty spirits until the surrender dashed all their hopes of victory.

Bill Lane was a grand companion, a splendid husband and father, a soldier of the highest caliber, a true son of West Point, faithful to her traditions to the very end of his life. He deserves a high place among her heroes and a permanent niche in the hall of fame of the Class of 1906.

—Charles G. Mettler

Ed. note: The photograph which accompanies this obituary was obtained from *The Peekskill Evening Star*. It was taken during a broadcast to that city while Major Lane was its mayor.

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### George Francis Patten

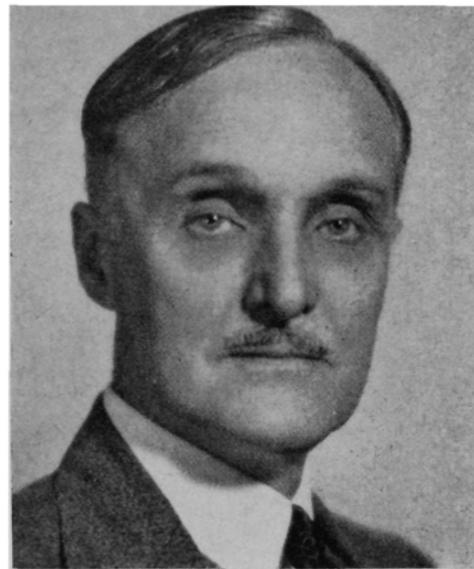
NO. 4637 CLASS OF 1907  
Died 30 May 1962 at Del Mar, California,  
aged 79 years.

IN THE WANING HOURS of Memorial Day, 30 May 1962, George Francis Patten, Major,

USA (Ret), died at La Jolla, Calif. He was 79 years old.

Frank, or Pat, as most of his classmates called him, was born of an Army family 27 November 1882 in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. His father, Colonel William S. Patten, was commissioned from civilian life and served in the Quartermaster Corps at Vancouver Barracks, Governors Island, and in the Quartermaster General's Office in Washington, D.C. Frank's grandfather, Colonel George Waynefleete Patten, graduated from the Academy in the Class of 1830, fought in the Seminole and Mexican Wars, was cited for bravery at the Battle of Cerro Gordo, and, as a poet of note, was sometimes referred to as "Poet Laureate of the Army."

Frank spent his late boyhood years on the family farm in Falls Church, Va. His spare hours and vacations were spent hunting and camping in the nearby Shenandoah Valley which he loved so much. During this period, his father was on duty in Washington and Frank was in the Washington High School Cadets.



Against this backdrop of military service, Frank grew up with the natural assumption that he would enter the Academy. He entered West Point in 1903 on an appointment at large from Washington, D.C. His classmates of 1907 are better aware of his cadet life than are his three sons, but it is well to recall his many humorous and delightful cartoons in the *HOWITZERS* of 1905, 1906, and 1907. After graduation, he was assigned to the 13th Cavalry on the Mexican border. He also served at Fort Sheridan where he met and married his first wife, Helen Margaret Clark. They were transferred to Manila where their first son, George Francis, was born in 1910. Merritt Waynefleete was born at Fort Riley in 1913 and Malcolm Clark was born at West Point in 1914 during Frank's first tour of duty as instructor in the Drawing Department. Subsequent tours of duty at Riley and the Academy brought Frank to medical retirement at the end of the academic year in 1919. Two tours of duty on ROTC work ended his active duty status in 1922.

Frank spent the early years of his retirement traveling across the country in an old 1917 Franklin touring car. Three transcontinental trips of this kind with Helen and us three boys, were odysseys never to be forgotten—planned and executed by Frank with a thoroughness only those who knew him well can appreciate. He settled in Seattle close to the hunting and fishing grounds that he

loved. After Helen's death in 1932, he moved to Los Angeles until both younger sons finished college. Frank married Ada Gaines in 1937 and moved to Del Mar, Calif. in 1943, where they remained together until his death.

He spent his later years busy at the two hobbies he enjoyed most—gardening and cabinet work. Frank was a creative man. He gained great satisfaction in life from nurturing trees and flowers, and his garden at Del Mar was the most beautiful and well-cared-for in town. His rose garden was particularly bountiful. His creative urge also took form in hand-crafting and restoring fine period furniture, and much of his finest work is in his Del Mar home and in the homes of members of the family.

He is survived by his wife, Ada Gaines Patten; three sons, George F. Patten of Portland, Merritt Wayne Patten of Palo Alto, and Malcolm Clark Patten (ex-'37) of San Marino, Calif. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and two great-grandsons, as well as his sister Lottie, the widow of Colonel William R. Eastman, MD. He also was the brother of the late Colonel William T. Patten, USMA 1899, and the late Colonel Hudson T. Patten, both of Seattle. He was buried in the Patten family plot in Arlington National Cemetery.

Frank's passing has left a void in a good many lives. He was a man of kindness, deep understanding, humility, and implicit fairness. His grasp of the human factors of life, as well as his deep concern for the future of America, left its mark on everyone who knew him.

To us, his three sons, he has left a heritage of strength—physical, mental, and moral—and his example of high principles has been a beacon light for us all. His devotion to Duty, his high sense of Honor and his intense love of Country, marked George Francis Patten as a man worthy of being one of the Long Gray Line.

—George F. Patten

—Merritt W. Patten

—Malcolm C. Patten ex-'37

trary to the wishes of his foster parents, the desire of these devout people being that Monte study for the ministry. Undeterred by the fact that he could stimulate no interest in his ever growing ambition to enter the Military Academy, Monte, quite independently, sought out his congressman, the Honorable Macenas E. Benton of Missouri, and so convincingly represented himself that he was awarded a principal appointment to West Point, to enter in June 1905.

Monte enjoyed his four years at the Academy. His memory of his cadet days never grew dim, and he often told stories of the escapades of himself and his fellow cadets with a vividness and obvious pleasure born only of tender attachment. His enthusiasm for the Corps was contagious, so much so that both his sons followed in his footsteps and both graduated from the Academy.

After a year at his first station, Fort Mott, N.J., he was given foreign service on Corregidor Island in the Philippines. There he received his promotion to 1st lieutenant, and there too, on 3 June 1911, he married Miss Louisa Botsford Ralston, who was to be his



loving and sympathetic companion throughout his Service career and for the rest of his life. Before returning to the US, Monte and Louisa toured China and Japan, visiting the Ming tombs and Great Wall and other places of interest in both countries. This was an adventure never to be forgotten by them.

Monte's service was long and varied. He attended the Coast Artillery School, the Command and General Staff School, and the Army War College. Throughout his 31 years in the Army, which he loved, he served enthusiastically and conscientiously. His uniform always immaculate, his figure trim, he was the picture of the fine officer that he was. It was a great disappointment to him that he never saw action. In spite of his many requests to be sent overseas, he was kept on training camp duty in the States, finally arriving in France shortly before the armistice. He was retired from active duty, for disability incident thereto, in December 1941.

Monte's last extended tour was as commander of the harbor defenses of Boston, and it was to a suburb of that city, Brookline, that he and Louisa returned after his retirement. Here they lived happily, among their many friends, except for a year spent in Honolulu, where they had twice been stationed, and where Monte junior, their elder son, lived with his family.

On 19 October 1961, Monte received the sad news that this beloved son, Monte Jackson Hickok, Jr., had died following an operation for polycystic kidney. Monte never fully recovered from this blow. When Monte himself died, just seven months later, his ashes were flown to Hawaii where they now lie beside those of young Monte in Punchbowl National Cemetery.

Monte Hickok was a kind and gentle man, friendly and sincere, firm in his beliefs, yet never opinionated. His devotion to his family knew no bounds; but this was not enough to discharge his superabundance of affection, and the excess overflowed on his little dog "Doc." Monte produced in all who met him an immediate impression. *I like this man.*

This selfless man would want no one to grieve for him. His feeling, I am certain, would be that expressed in Christina Rossetti's beautiful poem:

"When I am dead, my dearest,  
Sing no sad songs for me;  
Plant thou no roses at my head,  
Nor shady cypress tree:  
Be the green grass above me  
With showers and dewdrops wet:  
And if thou wilt, remember,  
And if thou wilt, forget."

... we will remember.

—His son

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## Curtis Hoppin Nance

NO. 4942

CLASS OF 1911

Died 8 September 1962 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 74 years.

COLONEL CURTIS HOPPIN NANCE, widely known, admired and respected, in military and civilian life, was a man who seemed older, though not, and more serious, though not, than most of his classmates. Of him the class HOWITZER was to say, "Porty has added to literature the fact that 'a man may frown and frown and still be good-natured'."

Born in Barry, Ill., 12 August 1888, he was below the middle of the class in age, though he had by 1907 lived more variedly than many older than he. His father, John Torrence Nance, who was graduated in the USMA Class of 1886 and assigned to the 2d US Cavalry, married Maie Rowand, and the son early knew the rugged life of frontier posts and long periods when the father was on foreign service, during the Philippine Insurrection and in the China Relief Expedition. And Curt, as is true of modern service sons, had his early education in many places. However, his preparatory schooling was in San Rafael and Berkeley where, in the latter city, he completed his freshman year at the University of California before entering the Military Academy in 1907.

During cadet days, while he rose to the high position of First Captain of the Corps, was on the fencing and polo squads, was editor of the HOWITZER and engaged in most cadet activities, he also earned his academic stars as a Plebe and as a Yearling, and was graduated seventh in his class. To him the verse of John James Ingalls, which was among Curt's papers, truly applied:

"Master of human destinies am I.  
Fame, love and fortune on my footsteps wait.

Cities and fields I walk, I penetrate  
Deserts and seas remote, and passing by  
Hovel and mart and palace, soon or late  
I knock unbidden once at every gate.

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## Monte Jackson Hickok

NO. 4818

CLASS OF 1909

Died 9 June 1962 at Boston, Massachusetts,  
aged 74 years.

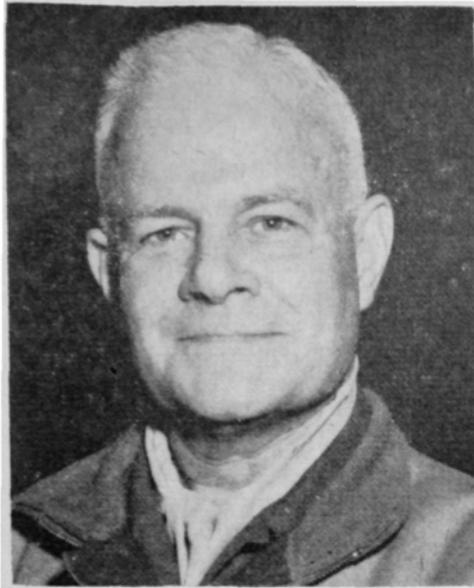
MONTÉ JACKSON HICKOK, "Bill" to his classmates, loving and thoughtful husband to his wife, and father incomparable to his sons, died at the New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston on 9 June 1962. His illness was short, lasting only three weeks, but even during his final days of extreme discomfort, his concern was more for those he loved than for himself. This was characteristic.

Monte was born in Tuscumbia, Mo. 20 August 1887, the only child of Charles and Dora Hickok. From the age of nine, following the loss of both parents, he made his home with his uncle and his maternal aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Golden, of Aurora, Mo. by whom he was lovingly and impartially reared as their second son. By his own statement, he attributed whatever praiseworthy traits of character he carried into manhood—and there were many—to the splendid example and wise counsel of these loving foster parents.

One of the books Monte read during his high school days in Aurora was "A Plebe at West Point" by Captain Charles King. From this time forward, he was determined upon a military career, even though it was con-

If sleeping, wake; if feasting, rise before I turn away. It is the hour of fate."

For after his graduation and assignment to the Field Artillery his life was varied and rewarding. Early duty was in the US and then in the Philippines where for 13 months he was a topographer on the military survey of Luzon. During the World War I, he was ad-



jutant of the FA brigade of the 42d (Rainbow) Division and took part in four major engagements. After the armistice he served at GHQ, Chaumont. Also, during those years and prior to 1920 he was twice an instructor in mathematics at West Point, and commanded a training battery at Fort Sheridan during the first ROTC.

Resigning his commission in 1920, he was for 12 years with the foreign division of the Radio Corporation of America. Starting in Argentina, then as Far Eastern manager, he put commercial radio telegraphy into Japan and China and developed broadcasting as well as a shortwave telegraph network in the Philippines. In 1933, he became affiliated with the European subsidiary of the Minnesota and Ontario Paper Co., and held posts in Finland, Denmark, and Holland until the German blockade of the Baltic Sea brought about his transfer to the head office in Minneapolis. Then he organized and supervised plant security in mills in the US and Canada, and was liaison man for the company during the period of rapid growth of government control of industry, until recalled to active duty in early 1943. Through those years, Colonel Nance had been known in many parts of the world in addition to the Philippines and China. He had traveled over much of coastal South America, throughout Europe and through the Far East from Mukden to Penang. In his lifetime he probably saw more peoples and more of this globe than most of his Service friends.

During his 20-odd years as a civilian, Curt had maintained his status as a reserve officer and after his recall served in various capacities with G-2 and MIS at the Pentagon, until in April 1944 he was ordered overseas as Deputy CofS of the IV Corps, which advanced up the shin of the Italian boot, broke out of the Apennines, and made the first crossing of the Po River. He held the medal of the Legion of Merit for service in the Italian campaign and medals covering the various other campaigns in which he had participated.

After the war, a short tour with the Foreign Liquidation Administration in Paris was fol-

lowed by his request for separation to permit his joining the Veterans Administration in March 1946. As deputy administrator, he was responsible for all activities in the New England states until the agency's reorganization in 1948. He then became manager successively of the district offices in Boston and New York. He retired from the AUS in 1948 and from civil service, at his request, in 1952.

The above follows generally the factual report written by Curt himself, or Porty, as he was so often called by his classmates. In his modest way, he omitted mention of his being First Captain of the Corps during part of his First Class year and of other prominent activities as a cadet. At West Point he was a seriously strict cadet officer but never a "skinoid." His was an imposing figure as First Captain but he was naturally quiet when in command. There came a night when Porty stood with his classmates in a "silence" episode, and did not make enough noise to suit the Tacs. Thereafter, he walked in the ranks, and "Never grutched the price he paid."

After retirement, even with failing health, he never missed a class lunch in Washington where he lived. He was spared to attend the 50th reunion of his class at West Point, where he occupied a room in cadet barracks with his older grandson. Admired and deeply respected by all who knew him, no graduate of West Point, where Porty now lies, ever better exemplified the Academy motto of "Duty, Honor, Country."

Curt and Jenny Margrethe Sorenson were married in "The Little Church Around The Corner" in New York, 20 December 1920 and spent together nearly 43 happy and eventful years. They had one daughter, Kirsten Margrethe Nance Edgar, two grandsons, and one granddaughter. Jenny Nance continues in their lovely Washington home.

Herbert S. Shipman, who was the USMA Chaplain from 1896 to 1905, and who wrote "The Corps," had men like Curtis Nance in mind when he wrote:

"Taps

And maybe some old one is dreaming,  
Half sleepin' and half awake,  
Of the time when he was a youngster  
(Blow soft, for the old time's sake!)  
And the old, old love of his boyhood  
Is his young, young love again,  
And the years sweep back into sunlight  
On the music of your refrain."

—His Classmates

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### Jesse Amos Ladd

NO. 4983 CLASS OF 1911

Died 14 December 1957 at Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco, California, aged 70 years.

THE STATEMENT of Military Service of Jesse Amos Ladd, furnished by the Adjutant General of the Army, is the formal record of an honorable career of more than 40 years, from cadet to brigadier general, during three wars and campaigns. There follows herein a more or less informal story of some of the incidents in the life and career of Jess Ladd, the officer, and Jess Ladd, the man—husband, father, grandfather, classmate, and friend, with his many virtues and his few peccadilloes.

Jess was born 21 September 1887, at Bradner, Ohio, and entered West Point on 15 June 1907. In September he turned out for

football but the halfback from Bradner (population 750) High School was dropped at the first cut. With other Plebe castoffs he turned out for the Plebe team, West Point's first, coached by 2d Lt. Joseph W. Stilwell '04. Jess was first string on this Plebe team, which won all of its games of the season. The next year, and later, he was on the regular varsity squad, taking the hard knocks that scrubs take in developing a winning first team.

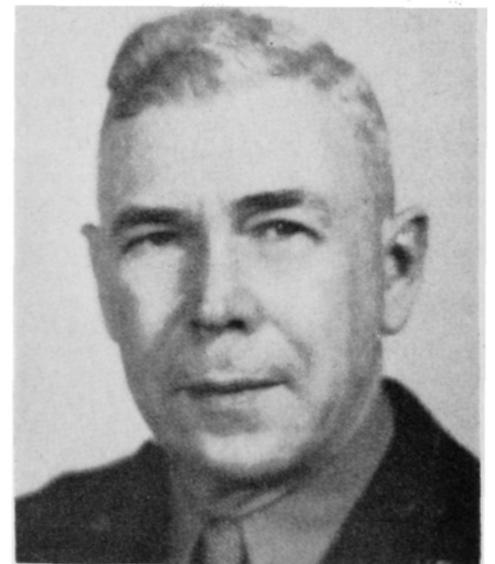
Joe Stilwell was also an instructor in Spanish. As a cadet, Jess sometimes misspelled a word—a difficult word, of course. The same Joe Stilwell wrote on one of Jess' papers (English, not Spanish): "Mr. Ladd—Your spelling is startling, not to say atrocious." "B.J." Kern, visiting in Jess' room, saw the Bradner H.S. 1907 year book and in it a class yell. He told of it as a joke, but the yell took on and finally superseded our orthodox 1911 yell. Here it is, with apologies to Bradner 1907:

"Nineteen 'Leven, she's a winner.  
Nineteen 'Leven, she's a star.  
Is there anything agin'er?  
NO! We don't think there are."

The yell was often followed by: "Bump Blunt!" "Slats" Morrissey '12 says, "It's the best yell that ever came out of West Point."

Assigned on graduation to the 1st Infantry Regiment, Jess by 1912 was in Hawaii, quaintly called "foreign service" in those days. During his tour there, he made two trips to the mainland, first in 1912 to the Presidio of Monterey for a short course at the School of Musketry. From this school was descended the Infantry Schol at Fort Benning, of which Jess was to see a great deal in later days. His second trip was to Ohio on 21 October 1913 to marry his long time sweetheart, Florence E. Von Kanel, of Bowling Green, an overgrown suburb of Bradner. (Toledo is an overgrown suburb of Bowling Green.)

In 1916, shortly after Jess completed his tour in Hawaii, Pancho Villa raided Colum-



bus, and Jess' regiment, now the 24th Infantry, was ordered into Mexico as part of the Punitive Expedition, on which Jess stayed until the expedition ended in February 1917, earning the Mexican Service campaign medal. This campaign was not a bloody one for the Infantry, but it was long and arduous field service under pup-tent canvas.

War with Germany came within two

months after the return from Mexico where Jess had been promoted to 1st lieutenant. Soon after war was declared, he was promoted to captain and assigned to one of the new Regular Infantry regiments, the 35th, organized under the 1916 National Defense Act, though the assignment was not for long. It was necessary and inevitable that most pre-war Regular officers should be used to train the huge Army being built so quickly, and Jess was soon an instructor at a Reserve Officers' Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe. Then, having become a temporary major in June 1918, he was detailed in September to the IG Department and assigned as inspector for a new division training at Camp Dodge, and in November was sent to the Army War College for a month's course designed to train staff officers for his and other new divisions scheduled for overseas shortly thereafter. Though the Armistice came just then, the course was completed.

Jess was the oldest of a large family, seven boys and three girls. Of the five oldest, all boys, one had attended Jess' West Point graduation. Now, all of these five were officers in the Army. One was killed in action just before the Armistice though Jess did not learn of it until later.

Promoted to permanent major on 1 July 1920, and back with the Infantry, Jess was with the class taking the first Field Officers' Course at the Infantry School, the school descended from his old alma mater, the School of Musketry, and now—by way of Fort Sill—established at Fort Benning. The best of the graduates of this first class being kept at the school, in its Department of Tactics, naturally that was Jess' assignment, along with Ben Lockwood, classmate at West Point and Benning. Hard work but some play—wife Florence took Jess to a costume party as a bouncing baby boy, complete with diapers and bottle.

A son, Jonathon Frederic Ladd, was born 12 May 1921 at Bowling Green.

Another department of tactics wanted Jess, and in 1922 he went to West Point as Tac of H Co for two years, then he became CO of the 2d Bn, USCC, and also a member of the dread Batt Board, along with Jake Bagby and Walton H. (Johnny) Walker. Jess did his share of skinning, as is expected of a proper Tac, but he kept his sense of humor and his innate sense of justice and fair play, and would listen to a cadet's story. He had full respect and even affection from the cadets under him. They admitted it. The cadet writeup of H Co in the 1924 HOWITZER has this closing: "And H Company passes on with a fond 'au revoir' to the old bark and her kindly Master, our Prince of Peace, Jesse Ladd."

He was a firm believer in upholding the integrity of the honor system by keeping its application simple, direct, and reasonable.

Another son, James Von Kanel Ladd, was born 17 June 1923 at Bowling Green.

Jess left West Point in the summer of 1925 (a younger brother, Joe '29, entered just before he left), voluntarily curtailing his normal tour in order to continue his own military education at the C&GSS at Fort Leavenworth, enrolling there in September. Schimelfenig, a West Point and Leavenworth classmate, wrote in the 1911 20-year book: "There was Jess Ladd who started his educational career by raising hell because they had been quartered on the third floor of the Bee Hive. Jess was afraid the youngsters would try to imitate papa and fall down the stairs." None of them fell down enough to hurt, for Jess was officially designated "Distinguished

Graduate" in 1926. An "Honor Graduate" in the same class was Major Dwight D. Eisenhower '15.

After Leavenworth, followed four years as instructor at Benning, then a tour as student at the Tank School, Fort Meade, where he was graduated in 1931. While there, he wrote a good article on the Tank School for the 20-year book. Then came another four years at Benning—yes, Benning, he having been selected for important duty as a member of the Infantry Board, the good right arm of the Chief of Infantry, testing and developing all matters of organization, weapons and equipment, training and tactics of the Infantry branch.

There followed two years at the Presidio of San Francisco, one in command of a battalion of the 30th Infantry (he was promoted to lieutenant colonel 1 August 1935), and the other as Assistant Chief of Staff, Fourth Army. Then, in 1937, he fulfilled his desire to complete his formal military education by becoming a student at the Army War College and being graduated in 1938.

Came another period of troop command, first with the 2d Infantry at Fort Sheridan, including a trip with the regiment to the National Matches at Camp Perry, and then as CO of 15th Infantry at Fort Lewis and at Camp Ord. He was promoted to colonel on 1 May 1940. Also in the 15th Infantry, as Reg Exec under Jess' command, was Lt. Col. Eisenhower. The acquaintanceship of the Ladd and Eisenhower families, begun at Leavenworth and continued at Benning, ripened into a close friendship that never ended.

In 1941 Jess commanded troops to restore order and prevent interference with the operation of the N. A. Aviation Plant at Inglewood in California, a disagreeable but important duty, as war clouds threatened, and his outstanding performance there resulted in his promotion to brigadier general on 4 April.

The threat of war with Japan and her allies made the far-flung Aleutians important and Jess was ordered there in September 1941, and was there when war came. The winter climate of that area is a war in itself. There was also a fighting war and Jess won a Battle Star for the Aleutian Islands campaign. He stayed "inside" Alaska until July 1944, commanding Forts Glen and Richardson, and on return to the "outside" he commanded training posts, Camp Reynolds and Indian-town Gap, Pa., until ordered to France in early 1945. By the time he had done a short shift commanding a district in the Normandy Base Sector, the war was over, but he commanded the 9th Infantry Division in the German Occupation until February 1946, when he returned to the US and reverted to his permanent rank of colonel.

He found himself once more at Benning, a member and later deputy pres of Army Ground Forces Board #3, and deputy post CO. Florence and Jess were reunited after being mostly separated since late 1941, and after the day's duties he could relax at home with an old-fashioned, mixed expertly by Florence. He retired at his own request 30 September 1947; in 1948 he became a brigadier general on the retired list.

Jess and Florence had a comprehensive look at California during their several tours of duty there and had settled on that as their retired locale. After taking a year or so to survey San Francisco, the Peninsula, Carmel, and Santa Barbara, they settled on Palo Alto on the Peninsula and in 1948 bought their house at 2300 Cowper Street, where Florence still lives.

Like most of the retired officers on the Peninsula, Jess gardened, went to Stanford football games, played in his regular bridge foursome and poker group, and took part in the various social and other activities of the community, including the monthly meetings of his classmates and their wives living in the San Francisco Bay Area. These included Dave Cowles and Bug, Cherry and Ben Lockwood, Nick and Gerta Nichols, Helen and Haig Shekerjian, Mollie and Jim Weaver, and Dorothy and Jake Bagby. Like his old friend Eisenhower, he took up painting and turned out a number of pictures. As one "who knows nothing of art but knows what he likes," I like them. And it does not take an expert to tell what the pictures are supposed to represent.

Except for two relatively short stays in Letterman, Jess was apparently in good health after retirement. Though not fully recognized at the time, presumably these illnesses were due to leukemia. Jess was in good spirits until the end on 14 December 1957.

His older son, Fred, entered West Point in 1939 but the first Christmas exams ended his career. He then was graduated from the University of Washington in 1943, enlisted, and that same year was commissioned in the Regular Army (Infantry, naturally) and is now a lieutenant colonel. He was wounded in Korea and has received the DFC, BSM, AM (4OLC), CR and PH. He has two children, a boy and girl. The younger son, Jim, was graduated from West Point in 1946. Also in the Infantry, he received the DSC in Korea, is a major, with a boy and a girl.

Jesse Amos Ladd was a good man, a solid citizen with solid character, a credit to the Army in which he served so long, so faithfully and so ably. And yet, he was modest and unassuming, sometimes even shy. Being honest and direct himself, sham and double-talk gave him moments of exasperation. His faults were minor and likeably human. We miss him.

- C. A. B. '11

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## Philip R. Faymonville

NO. 5026 CLASS OF 1912

Died 29 March 1962 at San Francisco, California, aged 73 years.

PHILIP R. FAYMONVILLE, beloved and distinguished member of the Class of 1912, throughout his entire life was a sterling son of his Alma Mater. Duty—Honor—Country were his guiding lights throughout the 50 years of a fruitful life following his graduation. Phil died at his home in San Francisco, Calif., 29 March 1962. His classmates are but a small contingent of the wide community that came to know him and to share our admiration for him and his noble character.

It is the composite of talents that are the basis of a man's character. Pre-eminent throughout his military service were Phil's qualities of mind and heart which set him apart in the affections of his classmates and his many other friends. He was a professional man.

As an artist Phil was a master musician both in composition and execution. He composed the musical score for the 100th Night Shows. He was a pianist of classical perfection. He was a patron of the opera and an avid enthusiast of the theater.

But over and above these talents, Phil's attainment of professional perfection in the

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military arts was outstanding. An unceasing worker at every assigned task, he strove for perfection always and usually attained it. First evidence of this was his graduation ninth in his class. Early in his career he became a student of Russia and became so familiar with the Soviet history and literature, as well as mastery of the language, that he was acknowledged to be one of the best informed official representatives of the United States to negotiate with the Russian authorities. His library was extensive.

In all things Phil was a most gentle and considerate person. He was always doing things for his friends—for his classmates, their children, and their grandchildren. He was never so preoccupied as to overlook or forget those who served with him.

These were the dominant notes of the character of Brig. Gen. Philip R. Faymonville. His service to his Country is but a reflection of them. He was appointed to the Academy from the State of California, where his father had become highly successful as a leading figure of the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company. Phil was in his third year at Stanford



University when he received his appointment. After graduation he served in the Coast Artillery Corps and commanded a mine planter in San Francisco harbor. Shortly thereafter he was detailed to the Ordnance Department, where he quickly mastered many of the technical aspects of weapons design and production. Here, too, he began his studies of Russia to continue throughout his life. His Ordnance service included tours at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; the technical staff, Office of the Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D.C.; Ordnance officer of the IX Corps Area at San Francisco; and executive officer of the New York Ordnance District when the Army held forth at 39 Whitehall Street.

His contributions to American diplomatic relations, which were extensive, began in 1918 when he was ordered to Siberia as chief Ordnance officer of the American Forces there under the command of Maj. Gen. William S. Graves, whose force was allied with the British in the 1918-1919 campaign against the Bolsheviks. Here he continued his study of the Russian language and Russian revolutionary techniques. In 1921 he served as US representative to the Far Eastern Republic, headquarters of which were at Chita. Later he was military attaché at the US Embassy in Tokyo, and subsequent to that, US military attaché at Moscow for four

years following recognition by the United States of the Soviet Union in 1934. He returned to Russia again early in the Second World War as chief of the American Mission in Moscow where he was a key figure in the administration of Lend Lease.

This, in brief, is a summation of the life and work of Phil Faymonville—officer, gentleman, scholar, patron of the arts, diplomat, and friend. We, his devoted friends, salute his memory and pray God to look kindly on his good and generous soul.

—Russell L. Maxwell '12

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## George Fenn Lewis

NO. 5217 CLASS OF 1914

Died 2 October 1962 at Easton, Maryland,  
aged 70 years.

IT WAS A SUNNY MORNING, 1 March 1910, when a group of eager youths marched two-by-two through the sallyport into Area of Old Barrack. I have always considered it one of the luckiest days of my life to have been beside Fenn on that day and to have been assigned his roommate. We remained "wives" the entire four years and more. I knew well the boy and the man.

Being an Army boy, George Fenn Lewis lived his youth mostly on Army posts. His father, Colonel Isaac Newton Lewis, was graduated from the Academy in the Class of 1884, an inventive genius, with the Lewis machinegun as one of his outstanding accomplishments. Fenn, with a brother and two sisters, was raised in an atmosphere of gentle dignity, family love and loyalty, and of rigid uprightness. This background moulded the man.

As a cadet, Fenn had a well-rounded education. He was a fine scholar who studied hard, but was not a grind. He graduated 12th in his Class and was commissioned in the Engineer Corps. Early in his cadet days he acquired the nickname of "Ananias" because of his propensity to tell tall stories with a straight face—but an elusive twinkle in his eyes. His sense of humor was always with him, and endeared him to his classmates, although at times it ran afoul of the precepts of the regulations, with the normally expected results.

Fenn never complained, and accepted the buffets of fate in his stride. He had a deep disappointment in his athletic career which hurt him, but even then he accepted the disappointment without rancor. He was a splendid fencer with foil and broadsword, being on the fencing squad every year. He was an undoubted selection for the Academy team, when intercollegiate fencing competition suddenly was abolished. Although Fenn won the Academy Fencing Championship as a Second Classman, his dream of the coveted "A" could not be realized.

Fenn was both serious and gay. In his studies, athletics, and class activities, his serious application to every problem that confronted him won him honors and the admiration of his classmates. The lighter side of his nature earned him the right to add "BA" and "AB" after his name, and at the same time, it earned him the affection of all of us.

Upon being graduated from the Military Academy on 12 June 1914, Fenn was commissioned a second lieutenant, Corps of Engineers. He spent the first nine months of his commissioned service at Washington Barracks, and during the remainder of 1915, his es-

pecial work was progressive military map work at Fort Belvoir, Plattsburg, and other points in New York and Connecticut. In 1916 he started the year on survey work near El Paso, Tex., and then was assigned to the Punitive Expedition into Mexico. In August he was forced to leave command of his Section for hospitalization at Colonia Dublan, Mexico. He was successively transferred to the Base Hospital at Columbus, N. Mex., and to the Base Hospital at Fort Bliss. By the early part of September, he was out of the hospital and assigned as a student at the Engineer School, but again was hospitalized at Walter Reed for a few weeks. He went back to duty for a while at Washington Barracks.

He got his captaincy in May 1917, and became a temporary major in August of the same year. In August 1917, he went to France with the AEF, commanding an Engineer company, did a stint as instructor with the Engineer Section, I Corps School, and in January 1918, he was assigned to command a battalion with the 1st Division. After front-line duty in Menil-la-Tour Sector and the Montdidier Sector, Fenn was transferred in



July 1918 to GHQ, AEF, where he took a special course at the Army Engineer School and served a short time in the office of the Chief of Engineers.

He returned to the United States in August 1918, and was assigned as an instructor, Engineer Officers Training School at Camp Humphreys, Va. He was promoted to lieutenant colonel in October 1918, and stayed on at Camp Humphreys until he resigned 12 April 1919.

Back into the Service in 1941, Fenn received his colonelcy 1 February, and served in the Air Transport Command as assistant chief of staff for supplies and service until April 1944. In recognition of work well done, he was awarded the Legion of Merit in 1944.

Fenn's civilian professional career was a most interesting one, progressing from smaller beginnings to really great accomplishments in very important fields. From manufacturing, his activities slowly changed to accounting and operational efficiency, with his technical engineering mind responsible for his successes. He left the Army right after World War I, and served as treasurer, president and treasurer, general manager and treasurer, etc., of various manufacturing concerns until 1938. It was then that his accumulated experiences came into use. The J. G. White Engineering Corporation called him in for efficiency problems. Among his outstanding jobs were the

establishing of depreciation rates and reserve accounting of all of the Radio Corporation of America companies; establishment of the useful life periods for all properties of the Detroit Edison Company; reorganization of the administration of the New York Zoological Society. In 1939 Fenn was made assistant general manager and comptroller of the J. G. White Public Works project in Haiti. With the coming of World War II, Fenn left his civilian pursuits, and went back into military service.

After World War II, Fenn returned to commercial activities for four years as president of the Camillus Cutlery Company, with the assigned objective of finishing war contracts, putting the company back on a post-war basis, and training executives to succeed him. This was done with a very high degree of success.

For the next six months or so, Fenn worked as industrial consultant for the Economic Cooperation Administration with headquarters in Paris. His work was in the nature of recommending improvements in manufacturing efficiency, standardization and simplification of the activities of over 70 firms in Western Europe. This was the kind of work Fenn really excelled in.

His last big job before retiring to live in happiness with his family in Maryland started in August 1952. He was general manager of a joint United States-Canadian National Defense project (Pine Tree), and as such, did a tremendous piece of work in administration leading to operational efficiency. This was a job done under difficult conditions and a fitting climax to a life of continued and successful endeavor.

During Fenn's active civilian life, he always found time to assume civic duties. These he never shirked and by helping his community, he became beloved and respected therein. Amongst the many such endeavors he served as commissioner and director of public safety, was for many years a member of the Town Planning Board and also served on the Housing Committee—all in Montclair, N. J.

Fenn was recovering from an operation in the Memorial Hospital in Easton, Md., but was stricken by a sudden heart attack from which he did not recover. He died on 2 October, just one day before his 71st birthday. With members of his family and some of our classmates present, Fenn was laid to rest in the Old Post Cemetery at the Military Academy.

Eva Baker and Fenn were married in 1916. The 46 years of married life were happy ones. Their family life was enriched by their two boys, Fenn Jr. and Frank, and their daughter Sibyl, who were brought up in an atmosphere of love and understanding. They went out into life with deep roots of family affection and loyalty. George Fenn, Jr., lives in Austin Tex., with his family, which includes George Fenn Lewis, III. Sibyl Lotterle and her husband live in Schenectady, N. Y., and Frank, with his wife, lives with Eva at the family home in Bozman, Md.

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## Fred Beeler Inglis

NO. 5524 CLASS OF 1916

Died 25 March 1962 at Santa Barbara, California, aged 69 years.

### SHAKESPEARE:

This above all: to thine own self be true,  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou canst not then be false to any man.

From the day we entered West Point together in June 1912, we have known Freddie Inglis as a man of strong character and principles, resolute and unbending. His guides in both his career and private life were those West Point strives to imprint on every graduate: Duty, Honor, Country. He had a keen sense of duty and justice. His courageous honesty never allowed him to deviate from what he believed to be right. Freddie was always true to himself and thus could not be false to any man.

In a recent letter his wife Helen wrote, "I know you knew my Freddie for what he really was—gentle, kindly, warmhearted, and so very loyal in every respect—upright and honest as they come and with a fierce and passionate pride in his fine Scottish background."

We also knew him, beneath his quiet, contained exterior, to be a generous, understanding soul, exacting so much of himself but undemanding of others; an able technician and instructor, highly competent in his field as a soldier; yet he tempered his knowledge with industrious exploration into areas of



science, the fine arts, and human understanding. Indeed, the elements were so mixed in him he ever showed himself the true man and officer, commanding our respect and affection.

Freddie was born in Nebraska and lived there until he entered the Military Academy as a member of the Class of 1916. As a cadet he was, to quote the 1916 HOWITZER, "a favored darling of the T. D., cadet lieutenant and quartermaster." He was a member of the fencing squad for four years, and the last two years he won the saber fencing championship and was second in foil fencing. Later as an officer he was National Broadsword Champion of the United States.

During World War I, he was an instructor in an officers' training camp and later commanded a battalion at Camp Logan, Tex. He served two tours at West Point in the Drawing Department, 1918-1921 and 1927-1932; the last year as acting professor while Colonel Roger Alexander was on a sabbatical leave. He served with troops in the Philippines and at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo. He was a graduate of the Field Artillery School and the Command and General Staff School. He also served with the ROTC, the National Guard, and the Organized Reserves. While in the Philippines, he was on the staff of General Douglas MacArthur and was aide to Governor General Leonard Wood for several

months. During World War II he was on duty at Camp Roberts, Calif., and Fort Sill, Okla., and served with distinction in the European Theater as executive officer, Division Artillery, 75th Infantry Division.

Retiring in 1946, he started a second enjoyable career in the insurance field as an actuary in Seattle, Wash., returning to Santa Barbara, Calif. in 1957. His health began to fail after his second retirement, and he died suddenly 25 March 1962.

Freddie was an ardent big game hunter, gun collector, and excelled at pistol shooting. While in the Philippines he spent six months travelling in China, Korea, Japan, Indo-China, North Borneo, and the Netherlands East Indies. Two months were spent in Indo-China where he shot tiger, leopard, elephant, wild boar, and deer. He fell in love with the Jackson Hole area in Wyoming where he hunted elk, mountain sheep, and deer. After his retirement he acquired a small ranch near Moose, Wyo., and spent every summer there with his family, confining his hunting to the camera. He and Helen climbed many trails and spent many happy hours photographing wild flowers and animals of Jackson Hole.

As a pistol coach he was outstanding. His Princeton ROTC and his USMA pistol teams were intercollegiate champions. He was Wyoming State Pistol Champion. He qualified for the US Olympic Pistol Team for the 1932 Olympics, but military duties prevented him from competing.

Wherever he lived he was always a valued and respected member of the community and of the Episcopal Church. He was a vestryman at St. Barnabas on Bainbridge Island, Wash., and took an active part in the Little Church of the Transfiguration, Moose, Wyo., and All Saints-by-the-Sea, Santa Barbara, Calif.

In 1927 he was married to Helen Alexandra Samouce, the sister of J. A. Samouce, USMA '20, and of W. A. Samouce, USMA '24. His devotion to his family was beautiful to see. He took great pride in the accomplishments of his three children—Barbara, Douglas, and Jean. Freddie's insistence on high standards of honesty, the value of education and of never doing less than one's best was a precious heritage passed on to his children.

Barbara is a graduate of Pomona College—cum laude—and a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board. She has a God-given artistic talent and uses it as a painter and designer. She is married to Robert R. McAusland, a research engineer with Boeing in Seattle.

Douglas is a graduate of the California Institute of Technology. He is currently with Lockheed Missiles and Space Company in Sunnyvale, Calif., where he supervises all testing of Agena vehicles used for NASA missions such as "Ranger" and "Mariner."

Jean, also a Pomona graduate, did post-graduate work at Berkeley and is with General Motors Research Corporation, Aerospace Division in Santa Barbara. She was married 10 November 1962 to Mr. David Whitcomb, an electronics technician also at General Motors Corporation.

It can be said that everyone whose life Freddie touched, either personally or officially, was enriched thereby. He always exemplified the very finest of human qualities. Those of us who knew him well will always cherish the memory of a man of high ideals, a faithful friend, a devoted husband and father, and a gallant and worthy member of the Long Gray Line.

—F.B.P.

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## William Ewen Shipp

NO. 5530 CLASS OF 1916

Died 2 November 1961 at Winchester, Virginia, aged 66 years.

WILLIAM EWEN SHIPP was born in Ashville, N. C., 9 November 1894, and entered West Point in 1912. His father had graduated in the Class of 1883 and was killed in action with his troop of the 10th Cavalry at San Juan Hill in Cuba in 1898. Such an Army background could not fail to attract the attention of upperclassmen. During his Plebe year Shipp got plenty of not-altogether-welcome guidance to be sure he lived up to all the traditions of West Point. His fertile mind, however, must often have left the upperclassmen wondering whether the joke might not be on them.

For Shipp, the Army had only one branch—the Cavalry, and he was determined to get into that branch. Attaining this ambition presented no problem as far as class standing



was concerned. It was a different story, however, when he started equitation in Yearling camp. Willie seemed always to get the worst mount and there is no question he must have suffered during those hot summer sessions in the Riding Hall. But his determination never wavered and from then until graduation he never missed an opportunity to be astride a horse. On graduating he was commissioned as a lieutenant in the 12th Cavalry and joined that regiment at Columbus, N. Mex.

Cavalry not being considered essential to the AEF, Shipp did not get overseas in World War I. However, as a cadet he had demonstrated a natural aptitude for languages and had stood high in French and Spanish at West Point. Shortly after the war he was detailed for a tour of duty as an instructor in modern languages at West Point. He became a linguist of great ability and later added to his fluent French, Italian, and Spanish more than a working knowledge of Portuguese, Russian, German, and the languages of the Baltic nations. Between the time of his tour of duty at West Point and the early thirties Bill served again with the Cavalry School at Fort Riley and also the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth.

In 1932 his military career took a turn that was to influence all the remaining years of his active service. He was ordered to tem-

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porary duty in the G-2 section of the War Department General Staff and after a short indoctrination period, was assigned as military attaché to the Baltic States of Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, and Finland. There he remained until 1936 when, for a short period, he returned to the States for another tour of duty with the Cavalry. His value as an intelligence officer, however, had been established, and 1938 found him back in Washington on duty in the Military Intelligence Division, in charge of the Eastern European Section. The same year he was appointed a member of the War Department General Staff.

Again he was selected for military attaché duty. First he was ordered to Yugoslavia, but he was unable to get any farther than Rome since this was 1941 and war had broken out between Italy and Yugoslavia. He was ordered to France, but again the journey was prevented by war conditions. At last Shipp found himself military attaché in Lisbon, until the early fall when he was ordered to Quito, Ecuador. He remained there for two years, interrupted by a short period in Asuncion, Paraguay. In 1944 he got as near home as Panama, where he was assigned as assistant chief of staff, G-2, for three years. In 1947, he was again tapped for military attaché duty, this time in Bagdad, Iraq. There he stayed until 1949, when he was transferred to his final military diplomatic post—Madrid, Spain, from which he retired in 1954. As evidence of the superior work he accomplished in Madrid, he was one of the very few colonels held over on active duty from the 1953 retirements.

For Bill, the call of the mounted service was still strong, and in retirement he settled near Front Royal in the horse country of Virginia where he could keep a stable of mounts and occupy his time in judging at horse shows and in fox hunting. It was there, in November 1961, Shipp met his death in an accident, a fall from his hunter. It was a tragic coincidence that his younger brother, Capt. Fabius Busbee Shipp, also of the Cavalry, met his death in 1925 as the result of a fall from his pony while playing polo at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. William Shipp never married; his considerable estate was left to cousins and friends. Few of us can choose our manner of departure from this life, but, we who knew Bill, believe that for him the end was one he would have chosen—riding to hounds, in pursuit of a sport he loved.

—Col. E. G. Bliss

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## Edward Fondren Shaifer

EX-CADET 1916

Died 28 October 1961 in Laredo, Texas, aged 69 years

EDWARD FONDREN SHAIKER entered West Point from Maryland in 1912. He was extremely well-liked as a cadet. Light-hearted and carefree, nothing seemed to get him down and neither high marks in the academic department nor chevrons in the tactical department were controlling objectives in his life. These were less important to him than good fellowship, and for many a classmate in hard luck the sun shone a little brighter after a cheery session in Eddie Shaifer's room. The Academic Board, however, failed to see that a happy disposition made up for a deficiency in mathematics, and in his Yearling year Eddie and West Point parted company.

After returning to civil life he spent the next two years as a land surveyor in and around Washington, D. C., but his ambition for a military career did not weaken. In 1916, after his West Point classmates had graduated, he applied for appointment to the training school at Leavenworth. After completing the course he was assigned in 1917 to the 14th Cavalry as a 2d lieutenant at Fort McIntosh, Tex. Eddie had hoped that his regiment would be ordered overseas and he was keenly disappointed when it was decided that the AEF did not need any more Cavalry regiments. He spent the war years patrolling the Mexican border.

After the war he went to the Cavalry School at Fort Riley in 1919 and then spent the next three years on troop duty with his regiment at Fort DesMoines. His next assignment took him to Fort Belvoir in 1923 as instructor in equitation at the Engineer School. There he found a number of his West Point classmates. He thoroughly enjoyed organizing and coaching an Engineer polo team which played in some games with teams from the horse country of northern Virginia.



In 1926 Eddie went back to school again. He completed the advance course in the Cavalry School and then went to the General Staff School, from which he graduated in 1928. He then went back to duty with troops, first in the Philippines for two years with the 26th Cavalry at Fort Stotsenburg; then back in the States with the 4th Cavalry in South Dakota and Nebraska. His last troop duty was with the 7th Cavalry at Fort Bliss. After three years there he was ordered to Chicago where, until 1946, he served in various administrative and military Court duties. In that year he was due to go to Japan but after physical examination he was retired for physical disability.

For their permanent home Eddie and his wife chose Laredo, Tex., where, at Fort McIntosh, he had first been stationed as an officer and where he had met and married Julia Frances Leyendecker in 1918. Returning to Laredo after retirement, Eddie entered at once into the civic and political life of the community and for some time wrote a column for a local newspaper in the interests of good municipal government. His articles were typical of the man—as direct and vigorous as a charge of the Cavalry he loved.

But the years were taking their toll. He was hospitalized twice for serious operations, and suffered the amputation of a leg, but failing health could not break his indomitable spirit. His classmates who visited him in the

hospital found the same lighthearted, witty personality that had won their affection at West Point 45 years before. It was after returning to his home that, as a result of a stroke, he died 28 October 1961. He is survived by his wife and their two sons and two daughters.

—Col. E. G. Bliss

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## John Stevenson Mallory

NO. 5865 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 11 April 1962 at Mountain View, California, aged 67 years.

JOHN STEVENSON MALLORY, Colonel, USA (Ret), died 11 April 1962. He was buried in the Presidio Cemetery at San Francisco, Calif.

Jack, as he was known to his friends and classmates, was born at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., 12 September 1894. He was the son of Brigadier General John Skinner Mallory, USMA 1879, of Hampton, Va., and his wife, Sarah Reed of Portland, Ore. He came from a family with a long record of military and naval service beginning with his great-grandfather, Colonel Francis Mallory, who was killed in the Revolutionary War.

Jack, like all Army boys, attended grade school in various places where his family moved. The last three years of his preparatory school work were spent at the Culver Military Academy where he graduated in 1912. He then entered the US Military Academy where he graduated with a BS degree in 1917.

During his cadet days at West Point Jack made quite a good reputation as a boxer. His pink and white complexion and his gentle youthful appearance were perhaps disarming to an opponent until the latter felt the devastating effect of a well-landed blow.

Immediately after graduating from the Military Academy he started his career as a second lieutenant in the Regular Army by joining the 47th Infantry, 4th Division, stationed at Syracuse, N. Y., and later at Camp Greene, N.C. For a short while his father, Brigadier General John S. Mallory, was in command of the 7th Brigade, 4th Division, and Jack was appointed his aide-de-camp.

Brigadier General B. A. Poor succeeded General Mallory in command of the 7th Brigade, 4th Division. Early in 1918 the 4th Division went to France, and Jack served as liaison officer of the 7th Brigade until he was wounded on 11 October. His division had an excellent combat record while experiencing very heavy fighting.

Jack was promoted to first lieutenant and then to captain. He was awarded the Silver Star Medal and the Purple Heart, as well as the Victory Medal with four battle stars for the Aisne-Marne Offensive, the St. Mihiel Offensive, the Meuse-Argonne Offensive, and the Noyon Defensive Sector.

When he was discharged from the hospital he was appointed town major in Adenau, Germany. He remained there until the summer of 1919 when he returned to the United States.

In March 1921 he transferred to the Field Artillery and attended the Field Artillery School at Fort Knox, Ky. After graduating in 1922 he had various assignments with troops at Fort Bragg, Fort Sam Houston, and other posts. This service was more or less alternated with assignments as Assistant PMS&T at the following institutions: the University of Illinois, the University of Missouri, and Ohio

State University. During this period he was promoted to the rank of major.

Before Captain Mallory was advanced to the rank of major and while he was in command of C Battery, 5th Field Artillery, he performed a service to his battery, his regiment and the US Army that should not be overlooked or forgotten. The 5th Field Artillery was stationed at Fort Bragg at the time and C Battery occupied a World War I wooden barracks that offered practically no real protection from the weather because of the deterioration and disintegration that had set in. Through channels he applied for better quarters for his battery. Eventually his application reached the Secretary of War. In spite of the fact that C Battery, 5th Field Artillery, was one of the oldest batteries in the US Army, word came back from the office of the Secretary to disband the battery.

To Jack such a thought was pure heresy. Here was a case where tradition, pride, and heritage were to be tossed aside. Jack knew that a soldier needs food but he fights on his courage, his pride, and loyalty to his unit and the heritage that is his.



In his modest and courteous way Jack was persistent. He finally secured permission to tear down some other buildings, salvage the material, straighten the nails, and have his men rebuild the barracks. The battery still exists and has a proud heritage and a continuous and ancient lineage.

In World War II he was advanced to the rank of colonel which he held until his retirement for ill health in 1953.

His service overseas in World War II included duty as Executive Officer, XII Corps Artillery; and Chief of Staff, United Kingdom Base.

He was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medals and the following service medals: American Defense Service, American Campaign, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign with two Bronze Stars for the Northern France and the Rhineland campaigns.

On 23 August 1921, at Denver, Colo. (then Captain) Mallory married Ellen Beverley Sharp, daughter of Captain Frederick Dent Sharp, Infantry USA, and his wife Ellen Beverley. Ellen Beverley Sharp was the sister of Major General Fletcher Sharp, USA, of Philippine fame, and of Colonel Frederick Dent Sharp, USMA August 1917. She died in 1955.

From this marriage there were three children: John Stevenson Mallory, Jr., USMA

1947, now a major in the Air Force; Sarah Ellen Mallory, now Mrs. Sammie Homan, wife of Colonel Sammie Homan of the Army Airborne; and William Fletcher Mallory.

There are 11 grandchildren.

He is also survived by one brother, Henry R. Mallory of Cooperstown, N. Y.

—His brother, Harry

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## Albert Gordon Matthews

NO. 5898 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 10 January 1962 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, aged 65 years.

Perhaps in Matty's case, it would be more significant if I begin by quoting a recent letter from Lt. Col. Gale E. Jones, USAR, who is neither a classmate nor a graduate, but who typifies the admiration and loyalty I always have found in talking to many of Matty's subordinates:

"Matty, to me was the greatest soldier and man I have ever known. In 1933, when he was teaching ROTC as a Captain at the University of Illinois, he was well known both by the faculty and students as the most interesting man on the campus. Indeed, he was the most sought-after guest at dinners, smokers, and other social events.

"He was always able to reach the lowest enlisted man in the rear rank and make him feel like they were partners. And they were; for he would not rest until the last man in his command was properly taken care of, clothed and fed.

"In 1941, as C.O. of the Engineer Map Reproduction Plant, Matty was chuck full of new ideas, displayed great vision, and was tireless in his efforts. He conceived and built the first building of a new and badly needed plant and equipped it with the most modern reproduction machinery without which it is doubtful, during World War II, that adequate maps, both in quality as well as quantity, would have been available to the Army and the Air Force. Many of his innovations were governmental firsts: central air conditioning, P/A system, IBM for inventories, etc.

"But his greatest feat, while in OCE, was his brilliant plan after WW II, for a world-wide mapping-aerial photographic survey. Quite characteristic of his perseverance and tenacity, Matty got President Truman to direct initiation of the project by an Executive Order. Four years later, excellent maps were available for the Korean war. Today the highly modern Engineer Map Service and Reproduction Plant is a monument to Matty."

Clarence Townsley's memories of Matty go back to boyhood days at various old Coast Artillery Posts, Ft. Andrews, covering Boston Harbor, and, of course, that old Coast Artillery bastion—Ft. Monroe. Those were the happy, untroubled, sometimes indolent days of the small pre-World War I Regular Army.

Matty came to love Army life, its high code of honor, and its proud traditions of selflessness and leadership. Thus Matty's boyhood on Army posts not only gave him aspiration to become an officer, but inspiration to become a great soldier.

As cadets at West Point, Matty and Clarry became roommates in flanker Co. "A". Without doubt, they were the most blasé pebes in the class. This attracted, quite naturally, the more voluble—and volatile—"crawloids" of the Upper Classes, but these two pebes

never were downed and Clarry writes that "we both got a great kick out of our plebe year."

When Townsley was transferred to another battalion, Hewie Hewitt became Matty's roommate. Hewie observes that, "As a cadet, Matty was exemplary in dress and conduct, yet he wore his uniform with a certain rakish style which indicated his individualism. As a cadet officer, he was strict, but fair and impartial." Matty chose the Corps of Engineers on graduation.

I will not recite his AGO record, except to illustrate the character of the man. Between World Wars, he held, in general, varied assignments similar to those of his engineer classmates.

Perhaps Matty's "finest hour" occurred during WW II in northeast Australia and New Guinea. On December 1, 1941, he was assigned to command the 46th Engineer General Service Regiment in Australia. Shortly after that came Pearl Harbor with nothing to stop the Jap sweep into Indonesia and New Britain to the northeast, where powerful air and supply bases were established.

Australia thus was faced with a desperate situation. With only a few cruisers and destroyers for a Navy; and a few Wings in its Air Force; and with the flower of her youth fighting desperately for survival at Singapore or deployed elsewhere throughout the world; the only strategic solution possible to save New Guinea and Australia called for a rapid build-up of American airpower. But Groups and Wings needed numerous airfields built to support bombers as well as fighters with long winding taxiways for dispersal, hardstands, and revetments. At this critical stage it would have been reckless to have based all combat aircraft in New Guinea from where, of course, more targets could be reached. So with his regiment, Matty began construction of a flurry of air bases in the Cape York Peninsula in northeast Australia, some 600-700 miles across the Coral Sea to Port Moresby. The construction of these northeast bases by the 46th Engineers, in a primitive land, lacking in everything but the crudest tracks with inadequate and meager equipment, and even scant living supplies, became a classic of ingenuity.

There were, at this time, little or no stocks of American construction supplies, spare parts, or equipment in the theatre and most of these were being applied to permanent Aussie construction at Sydney, some 1500 miles to the south. Some months later, this was partially straightened out by the Theater Engineer, Maj. Gen. Pat Casey, so that at least some construction resources would reach northeast Australia where they were critically needed to permit support of southeast New Guinea.

Port Moresby, a frontier town of 2000, mostly natives, in Papua, was considered by General MacArthur to be a key bastion of allied air power, port and supply base. At this time, Moresby had only one ship berth and two rough and inadequate airstrips. As Matty's airfields in the Cape York Peninsula became operable and able to support and protect southeast New Guinea, companies of his regiment were individually transferred to Moresby. On August 18, 1942, Matthews was assigned as C.O., Advanced Base, Port Moresby, under USASOS Hqs, at this time in distant Sydney. In the desperate situation resulting from Jap air superiority throughout New Guinea, the provision of air facilities, POL pipelines, and tank farms, docks, hospitals, roads—all were of high priority, each dependent on the other. It was Matty's genius

for discerning "which first things came first" in rendering over-all construction for the Air Force, the Australian ground forces defending Moresby, and his own base facilities. Thus he strongly backed his Base Engineer who foresaw that by first tripling the port capacity from one to three berths, he could do the most over-all good. While he continued work on key air facilities, he quite rightly did not devote all resources there, which, in the end, greatly speeded up the over-all balanced development. This took great moral courage as well as good strategical judgment. Friction with the Air Force ensued, but Matty stuck to his guns—and history proved him right.

It was great leadership in fighting for what was right, no matter what the personal cost, that lit a fire of unquenchable loyalty and admiration among his colleagues and his subordinates. Legends of him are legion. A friend, Brig. Gen. Harry Baird, USASOS, once told me that no money could buy his file of radios from Matty at Port Moresby. Exasperated by the failure to supply him or grasp the critical logistical problems in New Guinea, one such radio to USASOS at Syd-



ney, signed "MATTHEWS", read, "COMMANDING GENERAL, USASOS, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. I MUST BE SLIPPING: COULDN'T YOUR FUNNY WIRES DON'T EVEN MAKE ME MAD ANY MORE."

When relieved by Brig. Gen. Dwight Johns as C. O., Advanced Base, Matty continued in the key post of Engineer until the facilities he initiated and completed on a shoestring, enabled the Air Force to gain the upper hand in New Guinea. Matty was hospitalized from overwork and sheer exhaustion in December, 1942, and later assigned to Hq USASOS at Sydney. In June of 1944, back in the States, he served as Chief of Intelligence, OCE, until he retired October 31, 1946. After several months hospitalization at Valley Forge, Matty died at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, 10 January 1962. His daughter Julia, by his second wife "Smitty", and her family, live at nearby Lawton (Mrs. Frank Burgmann).

Letters from those who knew Matty well, evidence a remarkable unanimity of opinion: "individualistic; forceful leader; ingenuous, of the highest principles; resourceful, tenacious, courage of his convictions", and the like.

Mielenz writes: "I always thought Matty was a fine officer with a tendency to be individualistic. That means, in my book, 'Think for yourself.'"

Andy Moore appraises Matty strikingly well: "I am sure that whenever any, who

ever knew Matty, assemble, anecdotes about him will flourish. A soldier and supporter of the established order, yes; but also an individualist, a piquant spice in the military brew."

I close with the words of a philosopher, which I never heard Matty utter, but to which his actions conformed throughout his career: "It is not life that matters, but the courage with which we meet it."

—Sam Sturgis  
USMA June 1918

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## Albert B. Seitz, Jr.

EX-CADET OF 1920

Died 15 July 1962 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 63 years.

WHEN I HEARD of Al's death, I wrote Mildred, his devoted wife, that I would be honored to write a memorial for Al in the ASSEMBLY. She replied, in part, as follows: "By a strange coincidence in the same mail as your letter—was a letter from the Secretary of the Association of Graduates relative to the memorial for Colonel Seitz. We would very much appreciate having you do it, Lloyd, and I know that Al would want it that way. You two had one of those very special kinds of friendships—time and distance never hurt it."

When I wrote the preface, "About the Author," for Al's controversial and inspiring book, "Mihailovic—Hoax or Hero," in 1953, little did I realize that the preface would be appropos for his memorial in the ASSEMBLY. This preface is quoted in full without any change in context.

"On 14 June 1918, I first met Al Sietz, in the dusty barracks area at West Point. It was a sun-drenched day. We Plebes were receiving our first introduction (for want of a better word) to the United States Military Academy. Between "double time" and a few short breaks we both discovered that each of us was from Ohio—raised some 50 miles apart.

"It was the beginning of a friendship that has lasted through these many years, although it was not nourished by constant proximity.

"No, you don't have the privilege of spending much time with Al. After all these years I can't say if he's a good bridge player, what his favorite bourbon is, and what kind of books he reads. Al is always on the move. He is Mr. Abundant Vitality in person. One time long ago, there was a philosopher who said, 'There is only one vice in the human race—inertia, and only one virtue—energy.' Al in some respects reminds one of Ulysses—always roaming with a hungry heart, and being a part of everything he meets.

"He spent a short time at West Point and it was honorable. Then came the day he received a telegram that his mother was dying. Al left without permission that might have been gained in due course of time. After he had buried his mother he loved so well, he was no longer wearing the cadet gray. In a few months the gray had been replaced by the scarlet of the Royal North West Mounted Police of Canada and his assignment the most northern part of Canada. Later he rode herd on the Dukkabours in Vancouver, the original strip teasers, and held down the activities of the Siwash Indians to the north along the coast.

"Somewhere along the way he went to college—Wittenberg, Va., and Columbia Uni-

versity—sold fraternity jewelry, practiced professional engineering, a field job, of course. All the time he kept his 'Guard Up'.

"And then came World War II. In quick succession—Hattiesburg, Miss., OSS, training in sabotage, demolitions, cryptography and parachuting at Ramat David, Palestine, then dropping into Yugoslavia—this realistic and tersely written book tells this exciting adventure, then with the Free French, and in 1946-1949 Stuttgart, Bucharest, Berlin, and Salonika. In Rumania the communists were taking over, and in Greece they were trying to.

"After these important assignments he went with the Central Intelligence Agency. And he was well fitted for that duty.

"Briefly, I have given you the story of my friend and classmate, Al. His very life to me is an interesting book, a story of a courageous American, who chose danger for his companion rather than the peace and quiet of his home.

"I hope you like Al Seitz's book. He has the rare ability of beating words into swords



of truth and justice, as he honestly sees those virtues.  
Columbus, Ohio, 12 February 1953."

No there is no need for change—his life after the publication of his book continued to be replete with a saga of bravery, understanding, and devotion to Duty-Honor-Country. Although Al did not graduate from the United States Military Academy, no graduate was ever truer to the West Point Ideals. They were a part of his exciting workaday world. He practiced what he preached—loyalty to these United States.

He was well-read, an authority on guerrilla warfare, and a forceful writer. His book, "Children of the Mist," (Civil War guerrillas) was published in 1960. Colonel Seitz was with the CIA in Washington until he went to Laos. He was for two years chief, Laos Training Assistance Group, United States Operations Mission.

It was in Saigon, Vietnam, where I last saw Al. He was just as full of vitality then as he was that day I first met him as a Plebe at West Point.

Over a year ago, Colonel Seitz underwent the amputation of his left leg at Lockburn Air Force Base. The circulatory ailment is believed to be the result of freezing his feet when he led his OSS combat unit through Yugoslavia during World War II. Later he was for six months a patient at Walter Reed Army Hospital when his right leg was am-

putated. He fought a hard fight. His wife Mildred, who accompanied him on many of his various assignments—Greece, Rumania, and Laos—wrote me: "Al became quite ill in Istanbul on the way home and by the time we got to Paris he was having great difficulty getting around. Bless his heart! You have never seen such spectacular courage."

Al and Mildred, when home, lived at 394 East Park Street, Westerville, Ohio. In addition to Mildred, he is survived by two sons, Albert B. Seitz III, Washington D. C., and Robb L. Seitz, Westerville; and one daughter, Mrs. Edward L. Ramsey, Westerville; one sister, Mrs. Margaret Cotner, Chicago; and four grandchildren. Al was born in Springfield, Ohio, 16 August 1898.

Colonel Seitz received many honors—among them—decorated Legion of Merit, Order of White Eagles with Swords (Serbia), and two Silver Stars. Mildred wrote me after his death, and I quote: "He was given a most wonderful and touching memorial service by the Yugoslavians in Washington, D.C. They felt they had lost their only champion. They called him their Comrade in the Ravna Gora (The Freedom Movement)."

How Al would have loved that appellation, "Comrade in the Ravna Gora!"

—Lloyd W. Reese  
Ex-Cadet 1920

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### Richard Edmondson Russell

NO. 7198 CLASS OF 1923

Died 6 July 1962 at Wayne, Pennsylvania,  
aged 62 years.

IT IS HARD to believe that Dick Russell has passed on to that part of the Long Gray Line which lives only in our memories. It is doubly hard to write the obituary for so vital a friend, whose effervescent personality keeps interrupting one's efforts to review the sequence of events which are supposed to portray the life of an earthling. It seems to me that Dick's reaction to the events in his career communicated the meaning and purpose he derived from life and reflected on all who knew him.

Life for Dick meant the opportunity for joyful fraternization. His wit, charm, and tolerance won him an ever expanding number of friends who always looked forward to seeing him again. His exuberance and enthusiasm on every occasion showed through a veil of quiet dignity and a trace of shyness that seemed to conflict with the twinkle in his eye. He was full of fun and knew how to induce a friendly glow in others by his sincerity and warmth.

Life had a seriousness of purpose to Dick, which complemented the lighter aspects. His purpose was to lead a useful, creative life; and this he did in the service of his Country, and in his chosen field in industry. In the last few years he had witnessed the successful application of important equipment which he had patented to the rapidly changing science of transportation.

The impression that I received from him was that while he loved and respected the opportunities and responsibilities of life, he did not take himself too seriously.

Dick resigned from the Army in 1925 to enter business. He came back into the service in 1941, initially as an Ordnance officer and later in the Corps of Engineers. Dick, a comparative Goat at USMA, never failed to kid his Engineer friends on this point. Complica-

tions traced to an injury incurred on the bayonet course led to his return to the Ordnance Corps and eventually to physical retirement in 1946. True to form, Dick was grateful for the opportunity to apply his military, business, and industrial experience in the defense of our Country. His one great regret was that he did not have the chance to take overseas the Engineer General Service Regiment he commanded when he had to be placed on limited service.

Between 1946 and 1951 Dick was associated with business firms in Wisconsin and California. In 1951 he returned to Hughesville, Pa., for family reasons. His interests led him into manufacturing and transportation. In the course of this work he secured patents on equipment used in handling bulky and heavy loads in rail transportation. The family moved to Wayne, Pa., in 1959.

Dick was married to Lillian Peale of Philadelphia in 1928. They had two sons and a daughter. One son, Capt. Robert L., is USMA '55. Lt. Richard P. is ex-USMA '57. Both are now officers in the US Air Force. The



daughter Susan is now Mrs. Donald Bohensky, the wife of a Naval officer. Lillian died in 1959.

The next year Dick married Thelma Taylor, the widow of Col. Thomas Taylor USMA '29 who died in 1954. Dick and Thelma attended several of the class functions with the Washington group and were always a gay and pleasing addition to those occasions. Thelma and her daughter Sally plan to remain in the family home at 699 General Knox Road, Colonial Village, Wayne, Pa.

We shall accede to the promptings from the shadows and conclude that here passes an honorable son of West Point, Class of 1923, who lived, served, and on 6 July 1962, died, a credit to the Code of The Corps. He was laid to rest at West Point 11 July 1962. R.I.P.

—A Classmate.

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### James William Clyburn

NO. 7491 CLASS OF 1924

Died 20 October 1961 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, aged 60 years.

JIMMIE WAS BORN in Camden, S. C., and came to West Point by way of The Citadel at Charleston.

Although we were little more than ac-

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quaintances as cadets, after graduation we served together at many posts and a close and devoted friendship developed.

As a cadet Jim was interested and took part in boxing and golf, doing both in well above average fashion, while leisure hours often found him in a foursome at the bridge



table or working out some intricate Culbertson puzzler.

As a Field Artilleryman he was naturally enthusiastic about horses, took up polo early in his career, and developed into a top-notch player, participating in high goal tournaments all over the country. He played hard and he worked hard. He was devoted to the service, and until the day of his retirement gave his abilities wholly to accomplishment of the job at hand. A good administrator and a strict disciplinarian, he was a soldier's soldier. A dispenser of justice tempered with understanding, Jimmie gained and held the confidence and devotion of his subordinates and superiors alike.

His career followed the normal pattern of schooling in the development of the officer—Battery Officers Course at Fort Sill, C&GS at Fort Leavenworth; then came World War II which caught him with the Replacement and School Command in Birmingham.

After a tour as a War Department observer in Europe, in early 1945 he joined the 95th Division Artillery as executive officer. In 1946 he went to the Far East and in 1947 did such an outstanding job as CO of the Port of Inchon, Korea, that he was sent down to Pusan to straighten out a difficult and congested situation there, a task which he accomplished with dispatch. Following a tour of duty as PMS&T at the University of Nebraska he was assigned as CO of the Kaiserslautern Detachment, European Theater, after which he returned to Fayetteville, N. C., and retired at Fort Bragg in the summer of 1954. For a while he was active in business in Fayetteville but when his health began to fail he devoted his time exclusively to the care of his home and grounds and a perennial love—golf.

After a prolonged fight against a liver ailment, Jim succumbed on 20 October 1961. His passing was sad news indeed to his many friends and his classmates. He will always be remembered for his cheerfulness, a quick responsive friendliness, an infectious smile, and keen sense of humor.

Jim is survived by a devoted wife, Eleanor (née Tomlinson of Fayetteville) whom he married in 1926; by a daughter, Mrs. James

F. Workman, of Fort Bliss, Tex.; by two sons James W. Jr., of Chicago, Ill., and Charles L. Clyburn, of Huntsville, Ala.; 11 grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. S. N. Nicholson, and a brother, Henry Lee Clyburn, both of Camden, S. C.

—C. L. Dasher

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### Thomas Elton Smith

NO. 7696 CLASS OF 1925

Died 5 April 1962 at home in Gray, Georgia, aged 59 years.

THOMAS ELTON SMITH, son of Thomas Griffin Smith and Maude Lee Greene Smith, was born in Bibb County, Ga. on 2 December 1902. His mother died when Tom was three years old. His only sister, Maude Lee Smith, brilliant and beautiful young student of Tift College, Forsyth, Ga., died in 1924 as the result of an appendectomy. His father passed away the same year, leaving Tom the only survivor of his immediate family.

Those who knew Tom recognized him as a



child of great promise even when very young. His third grade teacher recalls that he memorized and recited Scott's famous poem, "Lochinvar," for a school program when he was only eight years old. He possessed a brilliant and inquiring mind, school was a zestful and challenging adventure. He was graduated from Gray High School at the age of 15; he attended Georgia Military Academy at College Park, Ga., and then entered Georgia Tech. During his junior year at Tech he received his appointment to the US Military Academy. Soon after enrolling there, he wrote his father this terse statement—"This is the life." Having enrolled on 1 July 1921, he was graduated with the Class of 1925. He pursued a military career until 30 September 1932, when he was retired for physical disability incurred in line of duty.

As long as his health permitted, he engaged in civil engineering, and served as president of the Thomas E. Smith Engineering Company. He was county surveyor for Jones County for a period of several years prior to his death. For the last six years of his life he worked as a civil engineer in the division of Civil Engineering at Robins Air Force Base, Ga.

His connections were many and varied,

reflecting his keen interest in contemporary life. He was a charter member of The Georgia Association of Registered Land Surveyors, he was a member of The Georgia Society of Professional Engineers, also of American Military Engineers. He was a member of the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy at West Point, and of the Retired Officers Association. He was affiliated with Scottish Rite and York Rite Masonic Bodies, he was a Shriner, a member of Jones County Farm Bureau and Jones County Kiwanis Club. He had held offices in each of the local organizations. He had been a faithful member of the Gray Baptist Church since early childhood.

Tom died unexpectedly at his home in Gray on 5 April 1962, and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Sara Nelson Smith of Gray, a daughter, Miss Bobbie Smith of Mount Dora, Fla., and a host of devoted relatives and friends. Tom was one who possessed unusual personal charm, great capacity for friendship, striking wit, and brilliance of conversation. His life exemplified the virtues of truth, sincerity, courage, and graven on his heart and life was the motto of his beloved West Point—Duty, Honor, Country.

—Mrs. Hattie E. Chiles

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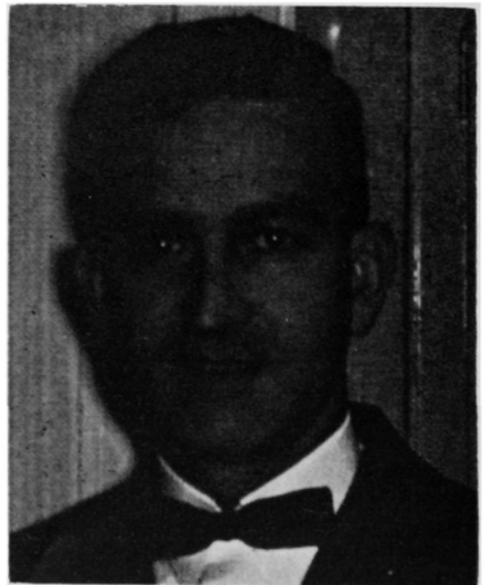
### Ralph Joseph Truex

NO. 13164 CLASS OF JANUARY 1943

Died 24 January 1962 at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California, aged 44 years.

FROM MODEST AND CHEERFUL SURROUNDINGS in Norfolk, Nebr., Ralph brought with him to the Academy a humble and refreshing personality. He was a friend to everyone: always willing to go the extra mile, to carry the extra weight, to help rather than suggest.

During his cadet life and throughout his military service he lived the tradition of the Corps. His sincerity combined with a subtle sense of humor made him an ideal roommate. His attention to detail saved many demerits;



however, he was not adverse to riding the brass polish at a critical time.

Upon graduation, Ralph was commissioned in the Coast Artillery. The day after he left the gray stone walls on the Hudson he married his "One and Only," Ovidia. Following basic officer training at Camp Davis, N. C.,

he was assigned to an Antiaircraft Artillery unit in Highland Park, Ill. Four months later he began a nomadic existence which carried him to Texas, California, and Mississippi with the AAA.

Feeling that he could contribute more to the service of his country, he volunteered for duty with OSS. He was parachuted behind the Japanese lines in Burma where he fought with native troops—Ghurkas and Kachins. While rescuing an ambushed patrol he was wounded and sent to a field hospital for recovery.

As soon as he was able to fight again, he and another volunteer jumped into a prisoner of war camp and rescued several hundred British and Dutch prisoners, thereby preventing possible atrocities by their Japanese captors. He was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Presidential Citation.

After the war Ralph returned to the Artillery and received a Master's degree in aeronautical engineering at NYU. His assignments included the Special Weapons Project at Sandia Base, N. M., the Advanced Officers' Course at Fort Sill, Okla., and troop duty in Japan.

His interest in engineering and missiles led to his transfer to the Ordnance Corps in 1954. After graduation from The Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., in 1956, he served in the Office of Chief of Ordnance at the Pentagon. In 1960 he was transferred to Germany.

In his typical unselfish manner and in spite of frequent headaches and failing eyesight, Ralph continued to take time from his busy schedule to devote to his family. After his death, as adequate testimony to his capability, Kathryn, the eldest, won a scholastic scholarship to Stanford University upon graduation from high school. Kaaren, the youngest, was awarded a bond and certificate for citizenship and high scholastic honors by the Lions Club upon graduation from junior high school.

In April 1961, Ralph was admitted to the hospital at Landstuhl, Germany, where he underwent an operation for removal of a brain tumor. He never fully recovered, although he fought a valiant battle. Following a second operation performed at Letterman General Hospital, Calif., Ralph joined the Long Gray Line on 24 January 1962.

Those of us who had the privilege of knowing Ralph have lost a true friend.

—Art Grace Jan '43

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### Kearie Lee Berry, Jr.

NO. 13346 CLASS OF JANUARY 1943

Died 29 July 1962 in an aircraft accident at Paine Field, Washington, aged 43 years.

FROM THE MOMENT he entered Central Area in Beast Barracks, until his death in a jet aircraft accident, K's whole dedication and effort in life was to become the best possible officer in the service of the United States. To all who knew him as boy, cadet, officer, husband, and father—this goal, which is the essence of Duty, Honor, Country, was achieved. Though born in San Diego, Calif., on 27 October 1918, he always considered Texas his true home. The eldest son of an Army family—his father was stationed in Texas many times, he was appointed to West Point from Texas, and he was finally laid to rest there. During his travels as a young boy,

he lived in such widely located places as Fort Benning, Fort Sam Houston, the Philippines, and China. He revered his father, from whom he inherited his zest for living life to its fullest. Major General Berry's achievements as an athlete, a soldier, a crack shot, and a hero of Bataan and the Death March, were goals that K set out to match. His mother's devotion to family and her steadfastness of purpose were traits ingrained in his own personality. He had always set his sights on entering the Military Academy and his determination to become a cadet was capped by success in an appointment to enter with the rest of us on 1 July 1939.

As a cadet, his upperclassmen admired his military bearing; his classmates remember the sincere friendliness of his smile; and the Plebes were apt to stand a little more erect when he entered the area. While he was a diligent student, most will look back on him in his cadet days as K Berry, the all-round athlete. Whether competing with him for a Corps Squad berth in intramural sports, or in the boxing ring—win, lose, or draw—you knew you had been in a fight. On the gridiron, in



the swimming pool, or on the rifle range his versatility was evident to all. His feats in track earned him his Plebe numerals and a Major "A" for three years straight. It was during these years that we all realized that a leader-in-action was in the making. Aside from his pride in graduating and subsequent commissioning, K always especially looked back on the romance of his life. A real "queen" by anybody's standards, Phyllis, one of the loveliest of Conover's models, was first spotted by Plebe Berry on the front page of the Sunday magazine section of *The New York Times*. He managed to beat off some stiff competition from the Firsties in his company and she became his OAO. With Pearl Harbor and an opportunity for flying school, K was one of the first in line. He learned to fly with seeming ease and was considered a superb pilot by his contemporaries. Here was something that he really liked and he had found for himself the niche he wanted. Graduation day in January 1943 was a real reward for all his efforts—a diploma, gold bars, silver wings, and a beautiful bride.

His first assignment, Tarrant Field, Tex., at which he served for less than a day, sounded the keynote to quick and frequent moves which we all remember. Learning to fly the B-26 at Del Rio, Tex., was the first order of business. There were no welcoming caisson rides around the post, but in spite of all the

difficulties of wartime living, Phil stayed with him through half a dozen tarpaper flying fields. He was transferred to B-17's and it was in this airplane that he prepared for combat. His first son, Kearie Lee Berry, III, was born on 18 April 1944, while he was enroute to England with his aircraft and crew. It was in aerial combat that K's talents as an air commander marked him as a potential leader of the Air Force. His leadership in stimulating others to action and his coolness and judgment under fire earned for him promotion to major, the job of squadron operations officer, and important lead-crew missions. His courage and professionalism stood out most sharply on the day he and his crew were forced to bail out of their crippled B-17 over the English Channel. In spite of serious difficulty in controlling the aircraft, K as aircraft commander, saw to it that his entire crew got out before he made his own escape. After a successful jump, he managed to make it to a sand bar—only to be nearly machine-gunned when he discovered that the sand pit was being used by the RAF for gunnery practice. The citation for his Distinguished Flying Cross shows that it was awarded for courage, coolness, and skill displayed by Major Berry for extraordinary achievement while serving as pilot of a B-17 airplane on 27 combat missions and 186 combat flying hours over Germany and German-occupied countries. His Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Cluster, a special commendation, and the four battle stars of his European Campaign Ribbon attest to his exploits in the war.

Peacetime, and after a tour as an aeronautical engineer at Wright Field, he returned to China as the Assistant Air Attaché. This was a challenging assignment, filled with many exciting adventures at the time when the Chinese Communists were beginning to take over the country. One night he narrowly escaped disaster when the "enemy" had lit bon fires in the shape of runway lights on rocky ground, hoping that he would make the obvious mistake; however, caution prevailed and his "pickup" mission succeeded. Daughter Dana Jo was born to Phil and K just before they returned to the States, a hair's breadth ahead of the Commie take-over. A tour at the Pentagon with the air attaché office and another with the inspector general's office at Kelly Field, and later at Norton AFB, San Bernardino, Calif., where Richard was born, were only a prelude to his return to operational flying. Stationed at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., K was back where he wanted to be—flying the F-86 Sabre Jet, promotion to colonel, and command of a fighter-interceptor combat crew training group. It was during this duty that he was awarded the Soldier's Medal for saving the life of a pilot who had gone down in the Gulf of Mexico. The rescue of this pilot was accredited to K's initiative and resourcefulness, which was accomplished under great physical strain and hazardous conditions. A tour in Korea as commander of a Fighter Group followed. Here one of his commanders made the remark that was typical of his superiors: "Because he is forthright and no fence-straddler, his advice is to be valued highly." After Korea he returned to the same job that he had previously held at Tyndall. Now rated as a command pilot, he was flying supersonic century series aircraft. Thence to the most important staff assignment of his career, when he was appointed director of operations of the Boston Air Defense Sector at Stewart Air Force Base, N. Y. K was quick to learn the electronic intricacies of the SAGE system and became an acknowledged au-

thority in the handling of modern air defense forces. The reward for this outstanding service was the assignment that he had always worked towards—his own command. He was given command of Paine Field and the F-102 Fighter-Interceptor Group stationed there. Shortly after his assumption of command, he was killed in the crash of a jet aircraft. He had the job he really wanted at the end, he loved to fly, and he went with "his boots on."

K had a wonderfully full life, accomplishing everything he set out to do. It is a source of comfort to know that his son Kearie had entered the Air Force Academy and so will carry on the military tradition established by the Berry family. In his allotted time he was able to combine a tremendous capacity for living with direction and discipline. Quite often he was in hot water—he would rather be right than President—but he set an example of how an American could be if he tried. He was loyal to his country, did his best for the Air Force, loved his wife dearly, and was a perfect father to his three children. As he joins the Long Gray Line, we all realize how much our lives have been enriched by our association with him.

—W.L.B. & K.E.B.

We shall always remember Jim as a good wife, a faithful friend, and above all a soldier's soldier."

Now with his shining gold bars pinned to his shoulders, his roles of husband, father, and Army officer streamed together. Natalie and Jim started their journeys at Fort Benning and thence to Japan, Fort Riley, and back to Benning where he graduated first in his class from the Army Ranger School. They then attended the Infantry Officers' Advanced Course prior to Jim's entering combat in Korea. By this time they had three children, Sharen, Myra, and James Bartell (Bart).

In battle Jim displayed the bravery, courage and stamina which were to be shown in a different way during the last months of his life. His outstanding military achievements were acknowledged by formal decorations by both the Belgian and United States governments. Some of us well remember his highly skilled and tireless efforts as operations officer of the 7th Regiment of the 3d Infantry Division.

After the armistice Natalie and children joined Jim in Okinawa where they spent

acute leukemia, Jim never lost his faith that he could conquer even this disease. To help medical research, he agreed to take experimental drugs which aggravated the pain and accentuated the damage to other body organs. All this Jim bore with a smile on his face and remained a pillar of strength and thoughtfulness to his family.

Jim's philosophy toward the end might well be considered by those of us remaining. He said he had no regrets, no bitterness and only thankfulness that God had given him a full and happy life and had allowed him to provide for his family so that they would have no material want. And if Jim could add a few words to those we say in tribute, they might echo to Natalie, his family, and his friends the refrain of the song "You'll never walk alone."

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## David Woodrow Hiester, Jr.

NO. 23807 CLASS OF 1961

Died 12 September 1962 outside Freilaubersheim, Germany, aged 23 years.

12 SEPTEMBER 1962—a day of deepest loss to us. This loss was, and still is, in reality, a vivid experience characterized by untold grief. Such grief can only be experienced by parents in similar situations. Empathy is impossible; there can only be understanding. The essence of genuine grief seems to be the inexplicable realignment of one's subconscious to that of reality—still never forgetting. Many hundreds of letters from all over the world helped us during the darkest periods of sorrow, making us wonder how a life so short could touch so many. Each note was a drop of strength that made it worth enduring just one more day. To all who were considerate, we express our appreciation.

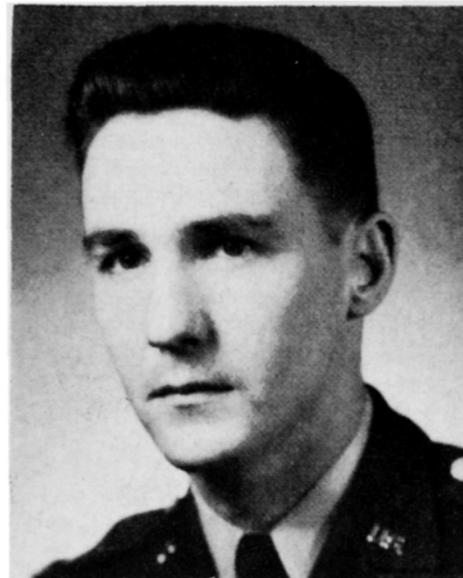
Extracts from his last efficiency report, signed the day before his death, are official evidence of a job "well done." His rater wrote: "Lt. Hiester's performance of duty as platoon leader has been outstanding. His platoon is the best platoon of the five platoons in the company. Due to a shortage of officers, Lt. Hiester has the additional responsibility in garrison of supervising the training, maintenance, and administrative activity of two additional platoons. He has accepted these additional duties and his many extra duties cheerfully and is doing a very good job. Lt. Hiester maintains superior standards of military courtesy, appearance, and physical fitness. He sets a very good example for his men. Lt. Hiester's performance as company motor officer raised this unit's Command Maintenance Inspection rating from unsatisfactory to one of the best ratings in the 8th Infantry Division. Lt. Hiester has been assigned an unusually heavy burden of extra duties and projects. He accomplished all of these tasks in an outstanding manner and seeks more responsibilities and means of improving the unit. Lt. Hiester is a very good troop instructor and expresses himself well both verbally and in writing. During field operations Lt. Hiester not only does an outstanding job of coordinating between his own area signal platoon and its supported battle group, but he also travels to area signal center platoons which do not have officers assigned, and effects coordination between those platoons and their supported battle groups. Lt. Hiester is extremely conscious of the living conditions of his men and continually tries to improve them." His indorsing

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## James Morris Gridley

NO. 15765 CLASS OF 1946

Died 7 February 1962 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 37 years.



JAMES M. GRIDLEY—classmate, husband, friend, but above all, soldier—departed this world Tuesday afternoon 7 February at Walter Reed General Hospital after a valiant struggle against the ravages of acute leukemia. As the first notes of Taps sounded across Arlington Cemetery the "long line stiffened and straightened..." with the realization that one of its foremost members had become a cherished memory. Memory? Perhaps, but to those who knew him well there are more than just memories.

From his entry into this world on 14 September 1924 until his departure 37 years later Jim lived, worked, and played his many roles with all his heart and all his might.

Born in Oklahoma City, the son of then Lieutenant Cecil J. Gridley and his wife Maysie, he had one older brother John, a younger brother Bob, and a little sister Ellen. Jim always aspired to follow the military heritage of his father and spent his youth as an "Army brat," following his father to distant camps and stations from China to Washington. He realized one of his most important ambitions when he entered West Point with the Class of 1946. The years which were filled with learning and service were climaxed by his graduation as an Infantry lieutenant and his marriage to Natalie, the lovely daughter of the USMA Adjutant General, Colonel Leland S. Smith.

It is interesting to note now what his roommates wrote of him in his HOWITZER biography: "The Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce could not find a stauncher supporter than Jim, whose unswerving loyalty to the Sooner state is only surpassed by his craving for boodle. Always full of fun and with a cheerful word for everybody, his carefree exterior could not conceal a deep-seated devotion to duty; and with these added to his natural athletic ability and persevering ways, the Army cannot fail to get a fine officer.

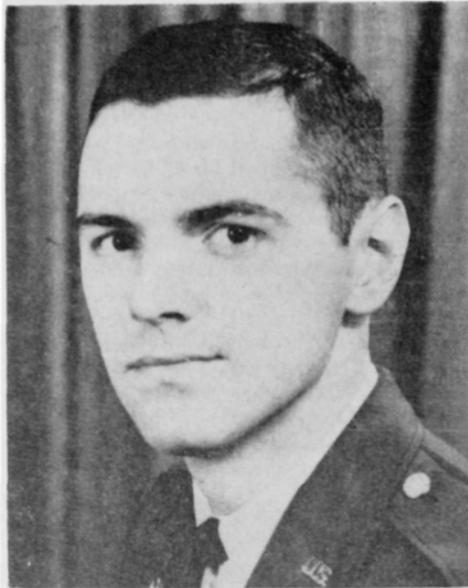
a wonderful year before returning to the PMS&T office at Gettysburg College, Pa. It was while Jim was here that the Army finally gave full recognition to him by selecting him for early promotion to major on the "truly outstanding" list. It was a happy day when after being on this list a year, he pinned on the oak leaves in June 1958 just before finishing C&GSC at Fort Leavenworth. Jim's last troop assignment was at Fort Lewis, Wash., with the 1st Battle Group of the 8th Infantry Regiment of the 4th Infantry Division. He was operations officer once more. While on a corps maneuver at Yakima Firing Center, he was informed he had been selected to attend the University of Southern California for two years to acquire his Master of Science degree in mechanical engineering (missiles). Between classes Jim acted as chief cook and bottle washer while Natalie "moonlighted" by working as a teller in a bank. It almost seemed that fate was preparing them for their tragedy. After graduating with honors, Jim packed up his family and spent an entire month crossing the continent, camping all the way—tents, cots, and even a sleeping bag.

Jim had barely reported for duty at Arlington Hall in Washington, D. C., when he went over to the Pentagon for his regular annual physical examination—and here began his last but epic struggle. Despite the fatal nature of

officer added: "Lt. Hiester's duty performance ranged from exceptional to outstanding. I have inspected his platoon in the field and in garrison. Lt. Hiester and his men had a 'can do' attitude and approach toward all duties. The personal appearance, maintenance, and discipline of his men was outstanding. The maintenance of his equipment ranged from exceptional to outstanding. This officer and his men knew their jobs and performed their mission in an outstanding manner. He made sound decisions in employment of personnel and equipment. He did an exceptional job in caring for his men, insuring that they had hot food and an opportunity to take showers while in the field. I would be extremely happy to have him as a member of my command under any circumstances." His record, though short, speaks for itself.

We, his parents, record as best we can our tragic loss—and the Army's. Jeep was never known as David nor as Junior at any time. He was given this name at the age of 6 months by the Ship's Captain of the *USS Republic* in June of 1939. The name remained with him. Although in the popular use it was descriptive of something else, it became symbolic of the personality of one with many unique characteristics and talents. Early in his life we found he was not inclined toward the exact things of life; rather, his leanings were toward people, their feelings, and other subtleties not outlined by precise formulae. He had a flair for style—the visual shape of objects—and the neatness, cleanliness, and arrangement of things. These were the inherited talents from his mother. They grew stronger and more evident as he grew older; they collectively created the lasting image of Jeep.

Although he was born in Vermont, his persistence did not come from geography. It came from a Welsh-German heritage, self-imposed training, and careful discipline. He established his own goals and learned the strict codes of service as he worked hard



against odds to succeed. The turning point of his life came when he was told in writing that West Point was the one school he should never attend—or even try. This sparked the flame of motivation that carried him through graduation not only from West Point, but also from the ranger and airborne schools. He met the standards of these schools with integrity and a deep conviction of the necessity for

maximum self-application. Yes, many others have done as much, but not with as much dedication or serious effort. As with all young men, he needed and wanted guidance. However, he did not lack from wisdom in selecting the best course of action when faced with alternatives. He chose well in this respect, as his pattern of accomplishment reveals. The devotion to his family was exceptional. Inwardly and without notice, he concerned himself with his sister's burdens, secretly providing for his handicapped niece in his Will—just in case.

His feelings for others blossomed into fuller bloom with his first troop assignment. His letters were warm, thoughtful, enthusiastic, ambitious, and timely. The fragrance of his true personality was spreading rapidly day by day, and we, his parents, lived with him vicariously—never wanting anything but to watch him grow, succeed, live, and return service to his Government for value received.

As assistant defense counsel on 12 September 1962, he drove toward Mannheim, Germany, to complete an investigation. Outside of Freilaubersheim toward Neu Bamberg, he failed to negotiate a curve on a narrow country road, colliding with a loaded gravel truck. He and his passenger were killed instantly.

Although his career was short, he had reached his initial goals, he was serving his country as he had always wanted, he was happy with his growing responsibilities, and he was looking forward to the future with ambition and drive. Except for more time to enjoy watching him grow, what more could God give us.

—His Mother and Dad

The Association of Graduates has been requested by many of its members to indicate in the obituaries of **ASSEMBLY**, the place of interment of deceased graduates and ex-cadets. Accordingly, the final resting place will be indicated effective with the Spring edition.

# LAST ROLL CALL

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received  
since the publication of the Fall 1962 ASSEMBLY

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
Charles Downing.....	Ex-1887.....	8 November 1962.....	San Francisco, California
Otho B. Rosenbaum.....	1894.....	21 December 1962.....	Washington, D. C.
Frederick B. Kerr.....	1899.....	1 November 1962.....	Clearfield, Pennsylvania
George R. Spalding.....	1901.....	28 June 1962.....	Bradenton, Florida
Ephraim F. Graham.....	1903.....	23 December 1962.....	San Antonio, Texas
Arthur W. Copp.....	1904.....	30 September 1962.....	Columbus, Ohio
Douglas I. McKay.....	1905.....	24 September 1962.....	San Jose, California
James W. Riley.....	1906.....	30 October 1962.....	Greenwich, Connecticut
Denham B. Crafton.....	1907.....	12 December 1962.....	Sun City, Arizona
James A. Gallogly.....	1907.....	30 October 1962.....	Miami, Florida
Eugene T. Spencer.....	1913.....	30 June 1962.....	Los Angeles, California
Don R. Davis.....	Ex-1913.....	12 October 1962.....	South Africa
George F. Lewis.....	1914.....	2 October 1962.....	Easton, Maryland
Frank W. Milburn.....	1914.....	25 October 1962.....	Missoula, Montana
Horace L. McBride.....	1916.....	14 November 1962.....	Maitland, Florida
David S. Rumbough.....	Apr 1917.....	25 December 1962.....	Blue Hill, Maine
Vere A. Beers.....	Nov 1918.....	10 April 1962.....	Walnut Creek, California
Miner W. Bonwell.....	Nov 1918.....	2 December 1961.....	North Miami Beach, Florida
George M. Williamson, Jr.....	Nov 1918.....	3 January 1963.....	Augusta, Georgia
Hugh G. Elliott.....	1919.....	8 August 1962.....	Richmond, Virginia
Clarkson D. McNary.....	1919.....	28 December 1961.....	Pueblo, California
Benjamin Alvord, Jr.....	Ex-1919.....	11 July 1962.....	Piedmont, California
Tyree R. Horn.....	1920.....	7 December 1962.....	York, Pennsylvania
Jerre L. Dowling.....	1922.....	18 November 1962.....	Ozark, Alabama
Sidney L. Douthit.....	1923.....	19 August 1961.....	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Thomas M. Lowe.....	1923.....	23 September 1962.....	MacDill AFB, Florida
Henry I. Kiel.....	1924.....	20 November 1962.....	Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania
John W. Ramsey, Jr.....	1924.....	7 November 1962.....	San Antonio, Texas
John W. Huyssoon.....	1925.....	2 April 1962.....	Travis AFB, California
Thomas E. Smith.....	1925.....	5 April 1962.....	Gray, Georgia
Robert F. Love.....	Ex-1925.....	19 October 1962.....	San Mateo, California
Merson L. Skinner.....	1926.....	28 July 1962.....	Honolulu, Hawaii
Joseph H. Gilbreth.....	1927.....	29 November 1932.....	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Alvin G. Viney.....	1929.....	8 October 1962.....	San Francisco, California
Herbert Richardson, Jr.....	1941.....	7 December 1962.....	France
Chester R. Ladd.....	1942.....	14 October 1962.....	Washington, D. C.
Paul J. Hurley.....	Jun 1943.....	21 October 1962.....	Near Grand Rapids, Minnesota
Joseph R. Byron.....	1945.....	19 December 1962.....	St. Albans, Long Island, New York
Ray M. Wagoner, Jr.....	1946.....	17 September 1962.....	Paris, France
James H. Wroth.....	1949.....	12 March 1962.....	Louisville, Kentucky
Thomas D. Scofield.....	1950.....	22 December 1962.....	Maxwell AFB, Alabama
Kenneth N. Good.....	1952.....	2 January 1963.....	KIA in Vietnam
Herbert W. Booth, Jr.....	1954.....	15 October 1962.....	KIA in Vietnam
Jimmie D. Fielder.....	1959.....	21 May 1962.....	Pyote, Texas
Kenneth H. Joyce.....	1959.....	23 October 1962.....	Germany

