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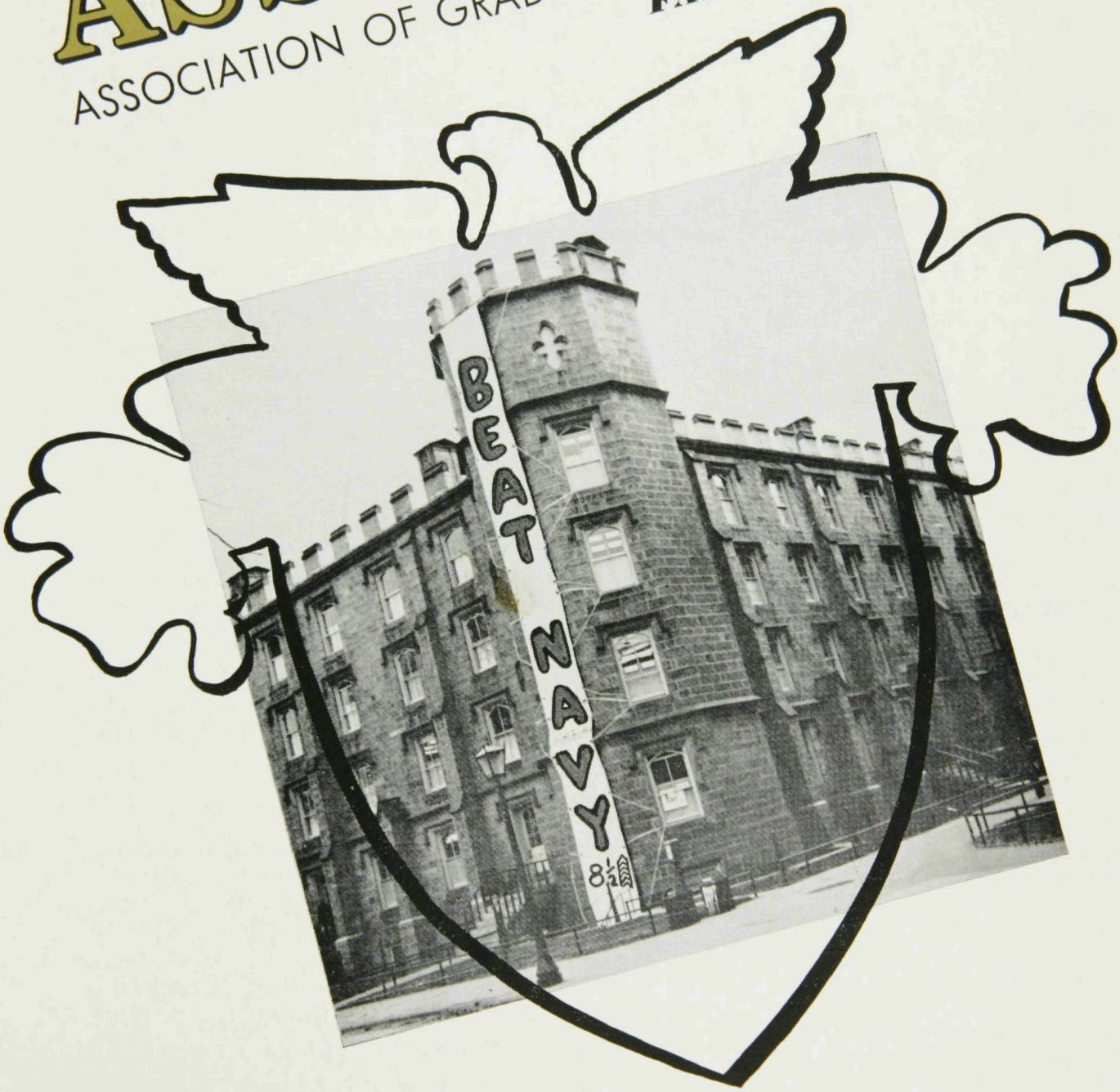

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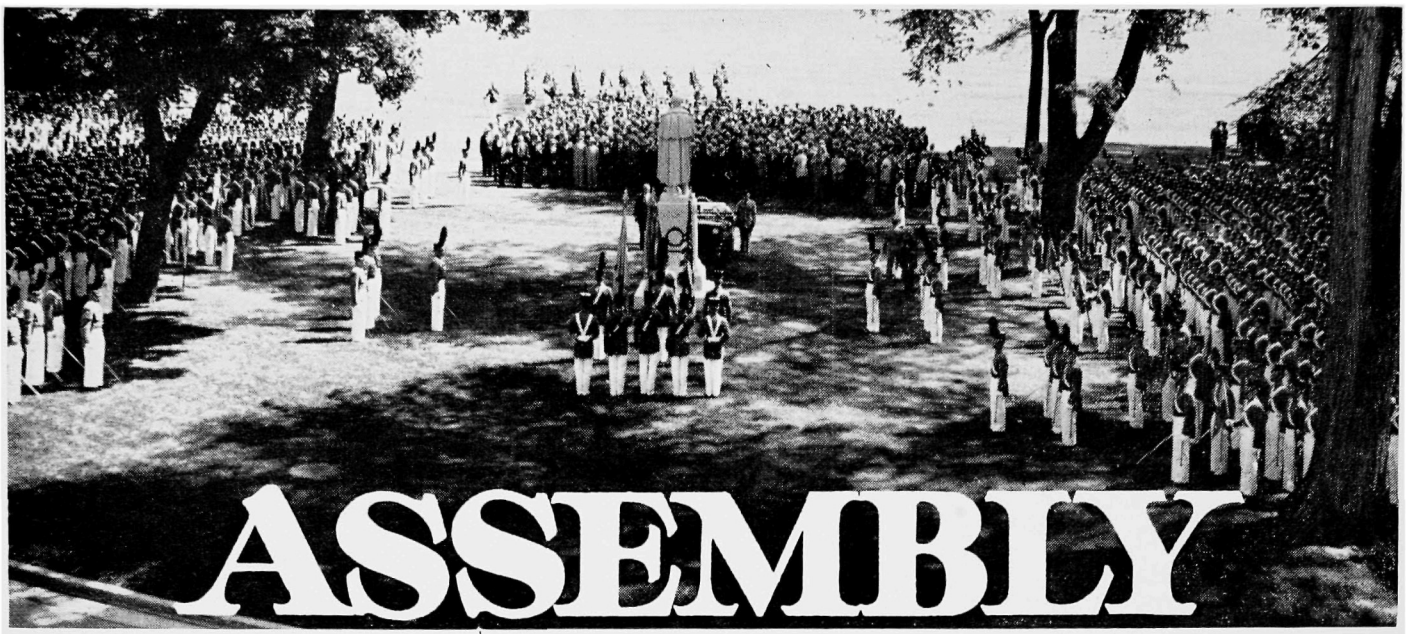

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THE COVERS: **Front**—The First Captain's Navy game "sheet" was displayed on the 8½ division for the last time in 1964. The tower has since been demolished. **Back**—Homecoming queen candidates and their battalion commander escorts at Michie Stadium ceremony. Miss Cheryl Lindeman (far left) won the coveted title for 1965.

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Fellow Graduates:

We added to the Homecoming Weekend in early October a Faculty-Alumni Seminar. In an effort to give alumni some insight into the scope and quality of our current academic instruction, we provided a program built around presentations by Department Heads on "The West Point Program and the Development of Decision Making Ability." The seminar was successful, and we hope to repeat it in the fall of 1966.

On 8 October we were honored by a visit from the astronaut, Lieutenant Colonel Edward H. White, II, United States Air Force, USMA '52, and his family. Colonel White presented to the Corps of Cadets a small American flag and his West Point Centennial Medallion which he carried on his orbital mission in June 1965. He is a devoted son of West Point, and the high quality of his professional performance is equalled by his personal attributes.

The expansion program is now well under way. Construction of the addition to Washington Hall and the first new barracks has begun. Two changes will be particularly apparent to alumni returning to West Point. The Sylvanus Thayer statue has been moved temporarily to the site of the old West Point Hotel. After completion of the Mess Hall-Barracks project, it will be returned to its traditional location in front of the main Mess Hall entrance. We also have relocated the cadet parade formation. The reviewing stand is now in the vicinity of Battle Monument and the Corps faces to the northeast. The Corps of Cadets have adjusted with their usual resilience to the inconveniences of the construction, and our new academic year is in full swing.

Sincerely,

James B. Lampert

J. B. LAMPERT
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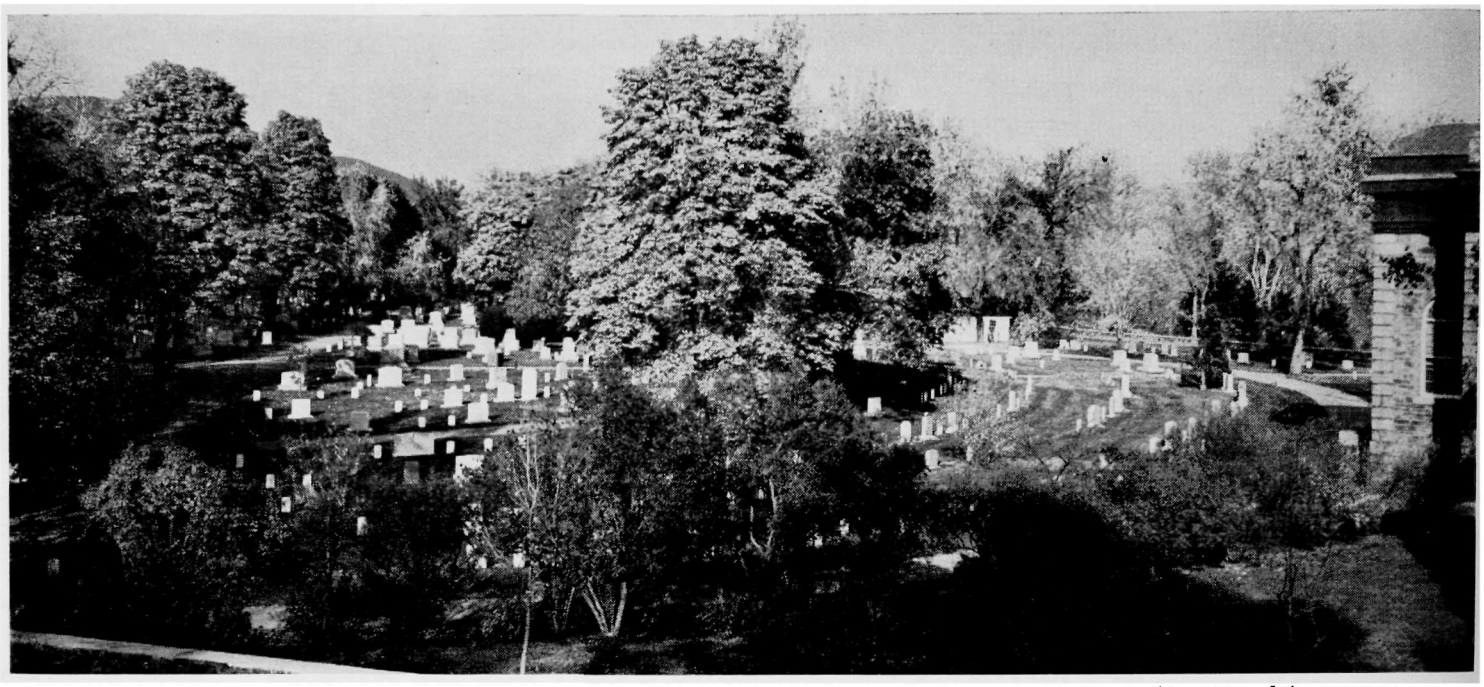
TOMBSTONE



Sites in this section of the cemetery, immediately behind the Old Cadet Chapel (right), have been assigned since 1900. The small markers are provided by the government, the large ones, by families of the deceased.

In this quiet, hallowed corner of West Point rest men who were active participants in some of the most dramatic episodes in the nation's history

DENIS J. MULLIGAN, of the Class of 1924, when apprised of this story about the West Point Cemetery, said, "The thought of a cemetery gives many humans the shakes. However, I know of nothing comparable to the impact of the West Point Cemetery for suggesting the American past."

When the average graduate visits the West Point Cemetery, he sees headstones bearing dates as far back as the Revolution and extending through each of America's wars, and names that conjure up heroism, service, and sacrifice.

But there's a special sadness surrounding the graves of those who died in their youth—while they were still cadets. Here the markers read: Cadet Vincent M. Lowe, killed in 1817 by the premature discharge of a cannon... Cadet John Carmichael Jr., killed in 1924 by artillery fire during cadet maneuvers... Cadet Hamilton A. Hawkins Jr., killed just before his graduation in 1926 during polo practice... Cadet Richard Brinsley Sheridan, killed in 1931 while playing football in the Yale Bowl... Cadet John R. Parker, who died of disease in 1962. And there are many others. These cadet graves leave one with a feeling of depression, of promise not achieved.

It's a different reaction as one stands before the other graves. These markers call to mind careers of accomplishment and fulfillment.

In the northeast section there are a number of graves marked "unknown," Revolutionary War soldiers who were buried at various locations throughout the reservation and who were reinterred in the cemetery.

In this "tombstone rendezvous" at West Point, particular attention will be given to the Civil War period, although there were burials here a half century earlier.

During the Civil War the burying ground was a rundown place, overgrown with burdocks and thistles. But since the time of Colonel Pitcher, Superintendent from 1866 to 1871, who took a personal interest in the cemetery, it has been developed into one of the most beautiful areas on the reservation. Careful planning and the addition of varieties of trees, shrubbery, and flowers have made it so. And the Old Cadet Chapel at the entrance is especially impressive.

FOR three quarters of a century this classic, ivy-covered building stood next to the library facing the Plain. In 1911, Lieutenant Colonel John M. Carson, Constructing Quartermaster, was charged with the difficult task of moving the Old Chapel from its former site to the cemetery. Older graduates had insisted that it not be torn down. Colonel Carson wrote of the relocation task, "... No plans

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by COL. "RED" REEDER

RENDEZVOUS

Before coming to its resting place here in the cemetery in 1948, the Dade Monument (foreground) was sited at three other locations: in Kosciuszko's garden, across from Cullum Hall, and in the plot opposite the old library. An exact replica of this monument appears in Dade State Memorial Park, Florida.

of the building could be found either at West Point or in the War Department, so I made plans with the aid of civil engineers and draftsmen. Photos were taken and each stone and piece of woodwork numbered."

This historic chapel, in which graduates of the past worshiped and received their commissions, dominates the scene. A few steps to the east and one looks down from German Flats, as the plateau was once known, across Washington Valley to the highlands and the Hudson River.

A whole tableau of history rises up from the aging headstones.

There, just a few steps from Father Thayer's grave and under a weeping beech tree, is the resting place of one of the nation's greatest warrior-generals, Winfield Scott. A wrought-iron fence and a huge oak, as staunch as the old man himself, guard the granite bearing his name and the two long sentences acclaiming him. It is one of the most striking graves in the area.

SCOTT'S long service to his country spanned 54 turbulent years. He liked to recall, "I was three years old when the Constitution was adopted." His military career started after the outrage on the U. S. frigate *Constitution* —when she was stopped by the British man-o'-war *Leopard* and searched for British deserters. When young Scott heard of the incident, he abandoned his law studies and galloped off with the Petersburg troop. He was to become one of the few outstanding American Army officers in the War of 1812 and was widely hailed as its greatest hero. It was this same Scott who won added, if legendary, fame during the Black Hawk War. When cholera broke out on his ship during a Great Lakes crossing, his soldiers reported: "General Scott commanded the cholera to stop." And it did!

SCOTT fought the Seminole and Creek Indians, and in the Mexican War personally led one of the most amazing campaigns in the history of American arms. Although not a graduate himself, he learned in Mexico the value of West Pointers, and, like General MacArthur of a later era, Scott rarely missed an opportunity to direct public attention to West Point.

Scott was a born Virginian, but remained loyal to the Union to the end. Historian Earl Schenck Miers wrote: "Scott never forsook the loves of his youth—canvasback duck, claret, the Army, the Constitution, and the Union." Winfield Scott heads this tombstone rendezvous with 78 comrades who served in the Civil War.

Space limitations allow for only the briefest of resumés of the men in this Valhalla. Here, then, are sketches of the careers of the men who served from 1840 to the turn of the century.

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George Sykes, grandson of the then-governor of Delaware, left immediately after his graduation in 1842 for the Seminole War in Florida. After that rigorous baptism, he fought through the entire Mexican campaign, from Vera Cruz to Mexico City. A brevet promotion to captain was an indicator that more would be heard from him.

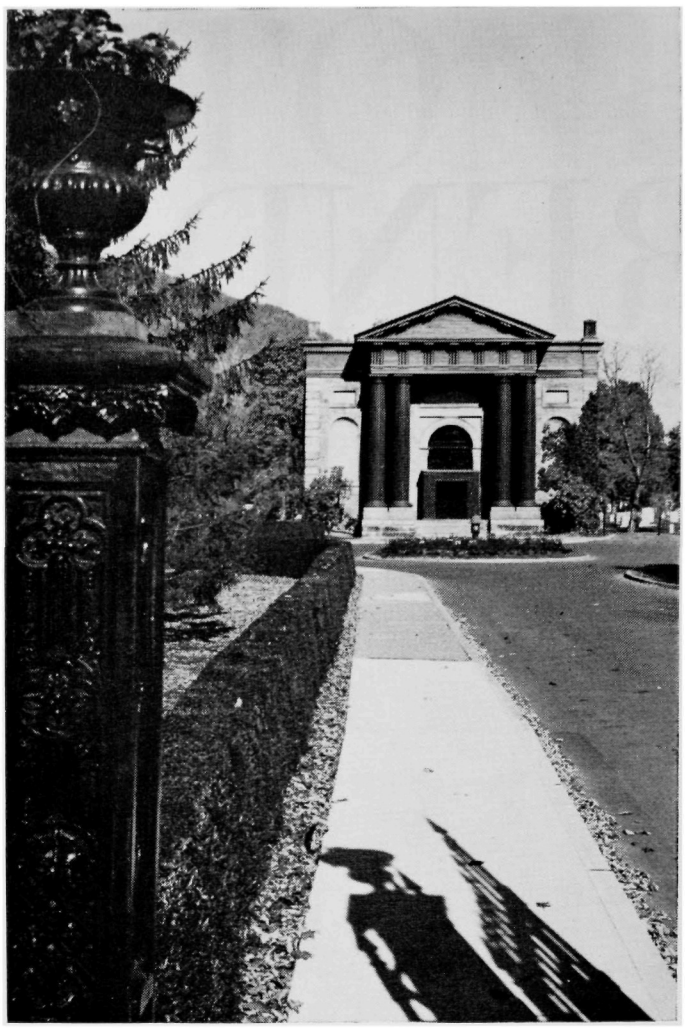
He was stationed in the frontier country of the Southwest until the first Battle of Bull Run, where he led "Sykes's Regulars," and, in spite of the disordered Union retreat to the capital, his leadership was of such an order as to earn him his first star.

Senior generals were to discover that Sykes fought better on the defensive than he did in the attack. This later proved to be an especially valuable trait at Gettysburg, where Sykes's corps held the all-important Round Tops throughout the 3-day battle.

Major General George Sykes reverted to the rank of lieutenant colonel in 1866 with assignment to the 5th Infantry. He died in 1880, after 38 years of active service. Taking note of the financial straits of his family, Congress appropriated the money necessary to return Sykes's body from Texas to West Point for burial. On the large, brown granite shaft erected by his men are the words, "HONOR, DUTY, COURAGE." Even at that early date Americans were already thinking along the lines of the famous West Point motto which wasn't to be adopted until 1898.

Nearby rests George Derby of Massachusetts, a notorious practical joker as a cadet, who graduated in 1846 and served in the Mexican War from Vera Cruz to Cerro Gordo where he was severely wounded.

After the war Derby first served as a member of an exploring expedition in Minnesota Territory, but was soon transferred to the West Coast as a sort of punishment. He was, in effect, being banished because he was "too flippant in a report addressed to the Secretary of War." From California, Derby's reports about the gold-rush country were spiced with burlesque humor, and before long he was writing humorous pieces professionally under the pen names of "John Phoenix" and "Squibob." As a master of puns, exaggerated humor, and pseudo-serious irony he won considerable distinction as an American (*Cont. on page* 24)



The Old Cadet Chapel faces the entrance to the cemetery. In 1911 it was carefully dismantled and moved here from its original location next to the Library on Jefferson Road.

An ornate iron railing, rare in the cemetery, identifies the Winfield Scott plot in an older section of the graveyard.

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"May They Long Rest On Their Laurels..."

To a Young West Pointer

Killed in Vietnam

Why here, in this God-forsaken piece of Hell?
You might ask those he loved, parent or wife,
For it is an act of love to offer your life,
And maybe they could explain it. Tell us why he fell,

So young in years, so far from friends and homeland,
Fighting a foe who mocks at reason,
Scoffs at quarter, calls mercy treason,
He faced a truth that we dread to understand.

Or stand here in this Plain mountain ringed, at twilight
And listen to the voices of those who marched before,
The captains and young lieutenants of the Corps.
Perhaps their lives, their deaths, could give us insight

Duty, Honor, Country. Hear them as they speak from Shiloh and Bataan.
"We were the fortunate; we died free, brave, and young.
Our Honor kept, our Country served, our Duty plainly done."
This the final truth, the fitting measure of man.

So say farewell to him, with a harried prayer and a volley,
And push on with your mission, lead you where it may.
This is your destiny — to stand foremost in the fray.
Courage with Honor is God's own gift, and never a folly.

THOMAS J. MULLEN JR. EX'49

HOSTILE DEATHS IN VIETNAM

NAME	CLASS
MAJOR REED G. JENSEN	1949
MAJOR CARL B. MITCHELL	1950
MAJOR GEORGE F. VLISIDES	1950
CAPTAIN KENNETH N. GOOD	1952
CAPTAIN JOHN C. KNAGGS	1952
MAJOR JAMES E. UNDERWOOD	1952
MAJOR JOHN F. STONEBURNER	1953
CAPTAIN HERBERT W. BOOTH JR.	1954
CAPTAIN JAMES H. BRODT	1954
MAJOR SAYWARD N. HALL JR.	1954
CAPTAIN JAMES P. SPRUILL	1954
CAPTAIN DON J. YORK	1954
CAPTAIN THOMAS W. MCCARTHY	1955
CAPTAIN MORRIS R. MCBRIDE	1957
CAPTAIN ROBERT E. RAWLS	1957
CAPTAIN GERALD C. CAPELLE	1958
CAPTAIN RICHARD S. JOHNSON	1958
CAPTAIN RICHARD T. LYNCH	1958
CAPTAIN CLAYTON A. FANNIN	1959
CAPTAIN CLAYTON J. MANSFIELD JR.	1959
CAPTAIN MARLIN E. MCCAHAN	1959
CAPTAIN JAMES F. RAY	1959
1ST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM F. TRAIN III	1959
CAPTAIN NED N. LOSCUITO JR.	1960
CAPTAIN JAMES M. COYLE	1961
1ST LIEUTENANT RONALD D. HINES	1961
CAPTAIN JOHN C. SIGG	1961
1ST LIEUTENANT KENNETH L. DEAN JR.	1962
CAPTAIN ROBERT H. FUELLHART JR.	1962
CAPTAIN THURSTON A. GRIFFITH JR.	1962
CAPTAIN EDWARD E. KRUKOWSKI	1962
CAPTAIN THOMAS E. MCMAHAN JR.	1962
1ST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM T. REACH	1962
1ST LIEUTENANT FRANK S. REASONER	1962
1ST LIEUTENANT RONALD L. ZINN	1962
1ST LIEUTENANT JACK O. EITEL	1963

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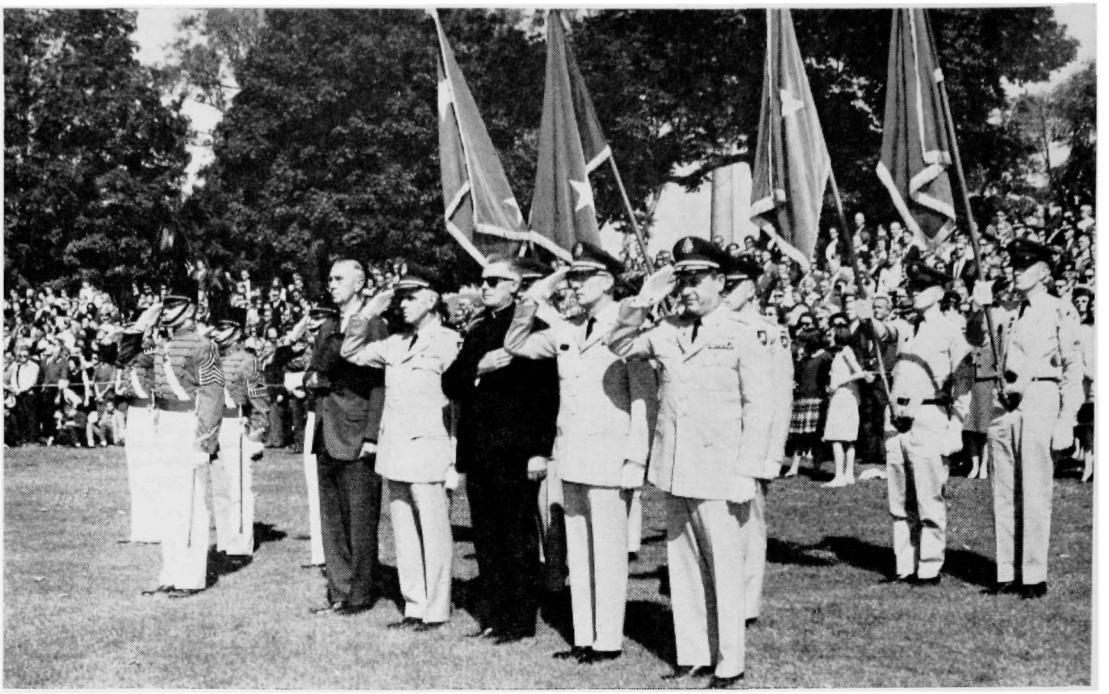

Reviewing party salutes the Colors. In civilian clothes (left) is Gen. C.V.R. Schuyler, President, Association of Graduates and (center) Rev. George L Drury of Boston College.

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General Schuyler meets cadet staff officer following ceremonies on the Plain.

Old grads had already begun to rally for the annual Homecoming even before Col. "Randy" Hines, alumni secretary, opened alumni headquarters at the West Point Army Mess at 8 o'clock Friday morning, 1 October. The long-weekend program began at 10 a.m. Friday when Superintendent Lampert welcomed an enthusiastic group to the Academy's first Faculty-Alumni Seminar in Thayer Hall's south auditorium.

By 2 p.m. Saturday all had arrived to swell the Michie Stadium crowd to capacity and to cheer Army to victory. The team responded with a strong win over pre-game favorite Boston College. Although it was impossible to secure an exact count on the number of graduates on

Old grads Casey Jun'18, Byers '20, and Bradley '15 during coffee break prior to meeting of Association's officers and trustees in WPAM.

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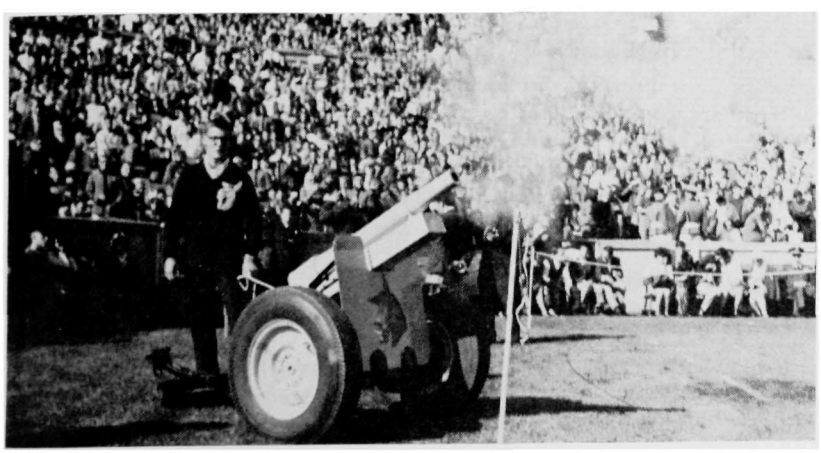
USMA hospitality is a ride on ARMY's mule for visiting team's attractive cheerleader.

HOMECOMING 1965

Reunion headquarters. The Class of '60 begins celebration of its 5th in striped tent located just below Howze Field.



Rabble-rousers' cannon boomed for ARMY's victory, highlight of Homecoming Weekend.

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Receiving line at the Superintendent's reception in Washington Hall. The Superintendent (right) introduces Goethals '08 to Mrs. Lampert.

Cadet First Captain Norman E. Fretwell adds crowning touch to Homecoming Queen Cheryl A. Lindeman of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Ceremony took place during Saturday evening cadet hop.

hand, it was estimated that those returning brought the total number present to well over 2,000.

In addition to the seminar and the football game, the full program included a concert by the University of Chile chorus, an informal session in the Benny Havens Room, WPAM, a brigade review Saturday morning, an alumni dinner followed by the Superintendent's reception and dance at Washington Hall, Saturday night, and chapel services dedicated to the alumni on Sunday morning.

AMONG the several class groups taking this opportunity to arrange class parties around the post, none matched the ingenuity of the Class of '60 which was celebrating its 5th Reunion. Allocated space just south of Howze Field, '60 erected a colorful tent there early Saturday morning and toasted a steady stream of returning classmates all day, taking time out only to attend the game.

An extended program has already been scheduled for the 1966 Homecoming Weekend when the Class of 1946 and younger classes will observe their reunions. These classes were urged to postpone their reunion dates from June Week because of the stepped-up expansion activity, and to allow for fuller support of the members of the larger graduating class, their families, and their guests.

West Point will be host to Penn State University, its Homecoming football rival on 1 October 1966.

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'60 Holds Homecoming Reunion

INTRODUCING A COLORFUL, circus-type tent as a novel reunion headquarters on Saturday, the Class of 1960 celebrated its 5th Reunion at West Point, 1-3 October, Homecoming Weekend. Some 55 members of the Class, most of them with wives, gathered at the class reunion command post across from Smith Rink, before and after the winning game against Boston College. A competent reunion committee had insured that ample refreshment was on hand for all who checked in at the class's tent. Most of the group reassembled later at the West Point Army Mess for reinforcement before the alumni dinner-dance at Washington Hall.

AT BENNING, 36 other classmates came together Saturday, 2 October for a concurrent celebration of '60's 5th Reunion. If other members of '60 observed the day elsewhere around the world, it had not been reported by press time.

THE WEST POINT contingent's parting cry, "Forward we go to year No. 10!"

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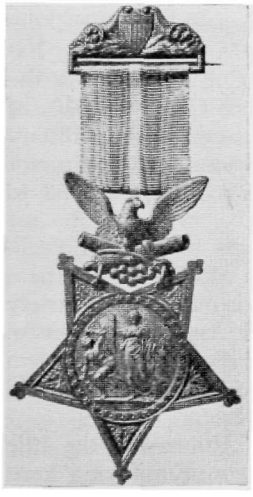
C. D. Roberts, '97

Hero of El Caney

Editor's Note—Only ten other West Pointers are senior in age to Charles D. Roberts, USMA 1897, but at age 92 the General holds the distinction of being the oldest graduate in that select circle of soldiers authorized to wear the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Because of the brevity of the official record: "Gallantly assisted in the rescue of the wounded from in front of the lines under heavy fire of the enemy," ASSEMBLY asked Gen. Roberts for a firsthand account of the 1 July 1898 action when he won his coveted medal.

With apologies for not being able to refer to his own records because of failing eyesight, Roberts provided the following detailed report on the engagement at El Caney, Cuba.



On the evening of June 30, 1898, Lawton's Division was concentrated in bivouac some miles from Santiago on the road to El Caney.

Lawton had been ordered to take the fortified village of El Caney as a preliminary to Shafter's move against Santiago.

Early on the morning of July 1, the division moved toward El Caney. The trail led through jungly and hilly terrain, and the division moved in single file, Chaffee's brigade leading. The 17th Infantry led the brigade.

We encountered some slight rifle fire from the front and from our right flank. After several hours the head of the column entered an open field of some acres. Ahead of us on the El Caney side, was a wire fence, whose wooden fence posts had grown into trees 15 or 20 feet tall, making the fence line a very serious obstacle.

The regiment was led in person by the regimental commander, Lt. Col. Haskell and his acting adjutant, the regimental quartermaster, Lt. Dickinson. There was no advance guard. The leading company, Company C, was commanded by 2d Lt. B.F. Hardaway. I was at the head of the company; Hardaway brought up the rear.

When Colonel Haskell and Dickinson reached the scene they could not pass. I was with them and passed the word back for wire clippers. When they were brought up, I had a gap cut in the fence, and the Colonel and Dickinson passed through into open ground. They had gone only a few yards when the Spaniards opened heavy fire from a trench in front, and both officers were shot down. I sent the leading men of the company through the gap and the first three or four men were shot down. I could only see the Spanish trench about 450 yards to our front, outlined by the heads of the Spaniards who were wearing straw hats.

While the company kept coming up I got through the gap without being hit, followed by several men. We rushed forward to the Colonel and Dickinson and carried them back through the fence and put them behind a slight rise in the ground. The Colonel was badly wounded through the shoulder and Dickinson shot through the body. Hardaway came up and we got the wounded back where the regimental surgeon could attend to them. Dickinson was shot again and died that night. The Colonel recovered enough to go back to the States with the regiment at the end of the campaign but died the day the regiment returned to Columbus Barracks, Ohio.

Hardaway and I got the company in line in a sunken road where we had some cover. General Chaffee came up on the firing line. I got permission to ask him if we could move the company forward. He agreed and we got the company into line facing the Spanish trench and succeeded in causing the Spanish fire to stop by firing 16 volleys at 425 yards. We then held the Spanish fire down by slow fire by selected sharpshooters meanwhile moving up toward El Caney. The Spaniards put up a stubborn defense against our superior numbers, and it was late afternoon before the village was taken by assault.

The guns of a light battery were moved by hand and brought shell fire on a stone church that was the strong point of the village.

Company C then had about 60 men present, sixteen had been killed or wounded. Colonel Haskell, the only field officer of the regiment present, was the senior officer.

My father, Cyrus S. Roberts was the senior captain in the regiment, but he was in the United States at the time serving as a lieutenant colonel and adjutant general, U.S. Volunteers as Adjutant General of the 2d Corps at Falls Church, Virginia (Camp Alger).

During the night of July 1st, Lawton's Division moved back toward Santiago and on the 2d, extended the lines of the troops who had taken San Juan and Kettle Hill and worked around the city.

On July 3d the Spanish fleet tried to escape and was destroyed by our fleet under Admiral Sampson.

About a week later Santiago surrendered to General Shafter. It was well for us that it did so, for the whole command was sick with malaria and some with yellow fever. At the end, the 17th Infantry had only four officers fit for duty.

The Army was sent back to Montauk Point on Long Island, recuperated, recruited (*Cont. on page 27*)

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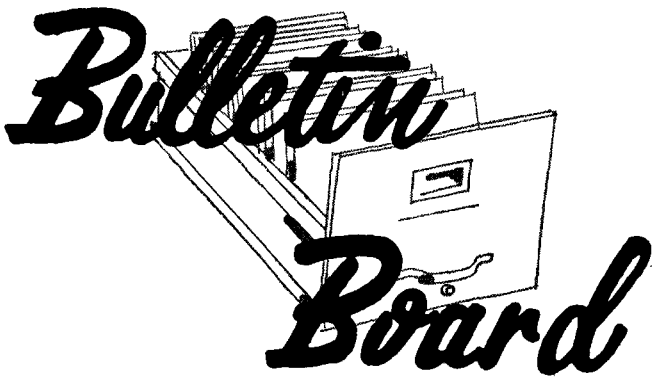

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USMA Intructors Honored by Engineer Society

Lt. Col. W.B. Rogers, Associate Professor, Engineering Fundamentals Division, Department of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences, has been elected secretary to the Engineering Graphics Division of the American Society for Engineering Education. Col. Rogers also collaborated with Lt. Col. R.H. Hammond in the publication, during the summer of 1965, of *Problems in Engineering Graphics* (Hammond, Buck, Rogers, Walsh & Ackert.) This book was designed to accompany a previously published text, *Engineering Graphics for Design & Analysis,* by the same authors.

Lt. Col R.H. Hammond, Associate Professor, Engineering Fundamentals Division, ES&GS, was elected by the Council of Technical Division and Committees to represent them on the nominating committee, ASEE, to nominate a new president.

ES&GS Officers Travel in Soviet Union

During the summer of 1965 two officers from the Environment Division, ES&GS, traveled extensively in the Soviet Union. Major George A. McClellan Jr., Assistant Professor of Geography of the USSR, and Major Emmett J. O'Brien, Assistant Professor of Environment, were sent to two different areas of the Soviet Union in order to gain firsthand knowledge of that country, and to provide background for their courses of instruction throughout the academic year.

In June, Major McClellan traveled to Leningrad, Moscow, the Ukraine, Volgograd, and the Black Sea coast.

Major O'Brien in August went farther east and, after visiting Moscow, toured the Caucasus Mountains area, visiting the Republics of Georgia, Armenia, and Azerbaydzhan, and then spent five days in Siberia.

Both officers concentrated on Soviet industrial, agricultural, and educational activities.

One of the major benefits of the two trips was an addition of over 700 slides to the Department's 35mm slide library.

Bartlett Hall Renovation Nearing Completion

The Departments of Electricity, Mechanics, and Physics and Chemistry have moved back into the renovated portions of Bartlett Hall, the old East Academic Building.

Among the improvements made in the course of the renovation were the compartmenting of the electricity laboratories into dual purpose classroom-laboratory spaces, the construction of a new physics laboratory in what was once the periodical room of the old library, the construction of a new, advanced chemistry laboratory in the subbasement, and improvement of lighting in all hallways, offices, and laboratories. In addition, offices have been more efficiently compartmented, air-conditioning has been provided for those offices and interior rooms without windows, and a closed-circuit television system has been installed. Renovation work on the two lecture halls is scheduled for completion early in 1966.

The remodelling has increased the number of sections that Bartlett Hall can accommodate by about 20 per cent, an especially critical factor during the continuing expansion of the Corps.

For the benefit of class scribes, class notes should be dispatched to arrive at the Association office for:

the winter issue—by 7 January
the spring issue—by 27 March

For the benefit of contributing members, material for class notes should be submitted well enough in advance to allow class scribes to meet these deadlines.

Department of Electricity

Officers Return after Graduate Schooling

Three officers who have just been awarded Ph.D. degrees have rejoined the Department. They are Lt. Col. Stanley E. Reinhart Jr., '50; Maj. Robert B. Andreen '49; and Capt. Philip H. Enslow Jr., '55. Col. Reinhart has been appointed Permanent Associate Professor in the Department. His doctoral degree was awarded by the Georgia Institute of Technology where he earned his MSEE degree last year. His thesis is entitled: "A Study of the Exterior Problem in the Near Field." Col. Reinhart is the son of Maj. Gen. Stanley E. Reinhart, Class of 1916, of Hendersonville, N. C., a former Treasurer of the Military Academy. Col. Reinhart served previously as instructor and Assistant Professor in the Department from 1953 to 1956.

Maj. Andreen also studied at Georgia Institute of Technology. He had previously earned his MSEE degree there in 1957, and had served in the Department of Electricty from 1957 to 1961 as instructor and Assistant Professor. His doctoral thesis is entitled: "The Sensitivity Problem in Control System Optimization." Maj. Andreen will hold the academic rank of Associate Professor.

Capt. Enslow studied at Stanford University, the title of his thesis being "Observation Systems Employing Periodic Sampling." He had previously earned his MSEE degree and Engineer degree at Stanford, and had served two years in the Department of Electricity as an instrutor. He returns to complete his tour in the capacity of Assistant Professor. Capt. Enslow is the son of Col. Philip H. Enslow, Class of 1923, of Staunton, Va.

The return of these three teachers raises to almost 25 per cent the proportion of the Electricity faculty holding the doctoral degree.

Department of Foreign Languages

The Department of Foreign Languages continues to strengthen its faculty through increasingly intensive preparation of its American-born members, through assignment of foreign-born U.S. Army officers, and through the procurement of several foreign army officers for regular instruction in cadet sections.

American-born officers who are scheduled to teach French, German, or Spanish now study abroad under the

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auspices of the Middlebury College Graduate Program—at the University of Paris, the University of Mainz, or in Madrid. This overseas study, coupled with one or two summers spent at one of the Middlebury Summer Schools, results in the award of the master's degree upon successful completion of the program. Those who are to teach Portuguese, study for a year in Rio de Janeiro under the general supervision of the Military Attaché; those preparing to teach Russian spend a year at the Defense Language Institute, usually at the West Coast branch at the Presidio of Monterey. This is normally followed up by one or more summers at Middlebury College, and often with part-time, school-year attendance at Columbia University.

One of the officer-instructors in Portuguese studied the language and literature of Portugal at the University of Coimbra, in Portugal, this past summer. This officer is currently enrolled in the graduate school of New York University, where he expects to complete the requirements for the master's degree by the end of the year. Several instructors in Russian are graduates of the FAST (Foreign Area Specialist Training) program, in which they had four years of Russian studies. Their advanced knowledge of Russian, combined with their practical experience in the almost daily use of the language, considerably strengthens the group teaching that language.

Thus the majority of the instructors in the department now either arrive with a master's degree or complete the requirements for it during the first year or so of their tour at West Point.

Among the foreign-born U.S. Army officers now serving in the department two are in German and two in Russian. One of the latter, a member of the Corps as a foreign cadet from Colombia, South America, is now both a citizen and a U.S. Army officer. He is fluent in four languages in addition to Russian. The other was born in China of Russian parents and is likewise fluent in four other languages.

For almost 20 years the department has been fortunate in having two foreign army officers assigned, one from the Mexican government and one from the Brazilian government. This year, for the first time, an officer has been assigned from the West German Army. This group presently consists of Lt. Col. Sergio Moraes-Rego, of the Brazilian Army; Major Hector Perales, of the Mexican Army; and Major Walter Cremer, of the West German Army.

The historic position of the native civilian instructors remains unchanged, except that each of them also conducts one or more of the recently introduced elective courses for upperclassmen.

In order to teach the 37 separate courses now offered in the department, every member of the staff from the Head of the Department down teaches at least one course, a sharp departure from pre-World War II days, when only two languages were offered and those only on the elementary and intermediate level.

Three members of the department were invited to serve on the faculty of the Middlebury College Summer School this past summer: Lt. Col. John J. Portera, USA (Ret.), in the Spanish School; and Maj. Harry E. Cartland and Dr. Fritz Tiller, both of whom taught in the German School. In previous summer sessions Mr. Nicholas Maltzoff has taught in the Russian School and Mr. Claude Viollet in the French School. Dr. Fritz Tiller also lectures in Teachers College of Columbia University during the winter months. Such invitations to teach elsewhere not only enhance the reputation of the department but also serve as a reminder in the academic community that the quality of foreign language instruction at West Point is constantly being improved.

Department of Military Art & Engineering

Instructors Tour Civil War Battlefields

Four instructors in the History of the Military Art spent three days during the summer studying the area of Grant's 1863 Vicksburg Campaign. Lt. Col. James A. Betts, Vicksburg District Engineer and former executive office of MA&E, was host to the party. The itinerary prepared by Colonel Betts included a land, sea, and air approach to the study of the historic Civil War campaign.

The first day's activities included an aerial survey of Grant's four preliminary attempts to bypass Vicksburg. The following day was devoted to an overland reconnaissance of Grant's encirclement and siege of Vicksburg. Details of this action were described by Mr. E.C. Bearss, Regional Research Historian of the National Park Service.

Major General Ellsworth I. Davis, Division Engineer of the Lower Mississippi River Valley Division and former instructor in MA&E (1938-42), joined the party during this portion of the visit.

On the final day, the group:—Lt. Cols. Richard Reisach and R.W. Argo and Majors J.D. Thomas and W.H. Elliott—was conducted on a 4-hour tour of the laboratories and projects of the Waterways Experimental Station and a trip up the Mississippi River on the CE Motor Vessel *Lipscomb* for a study of the river problems confronting Grant in 1863 and the Corps of Engineers today.

In August, a group of new Military Art instructors made a 5-day tour of eastern Civil War battlefields. Led by Lt. Col. R.W. Argo, the group retraced much of the route followed by the Army of the Potomac and the Army of Northern Virginia starting at Manassas and ending 5 days later at Gettysburg. Included in the tour were the Peninsula Campaign, operations around Richmond, the Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville Campaigns, Jackson's Shenandoah Valley Campaign, and the Battle of Antietam. In all, 4 years of Civil War history were compressed into this 1,500 mile trip. The party received invaluable assistance from the battlefield historians of the National Park Service at all historic sites.

Cadets Honor Eisenhower on His Birthday

The Corps of Cadets and all graduates were represented on the morning of 14 October when the Superintendent, Maj. Gen. James B. Lampert '36, and Alumni Secretary, Col. Randy Hines '37, led a party of four to New York City to honor Eisenhower '15 on his 75th birthday. The former President received the group in his suite at the Biltmore Hotel.

Fretwell '66, the cadet First Captain and Arthur '66, a regimental commander, presented the cadets' gift, a cadet officer's FD hat. In accepting the gift, the gracious Ike expressed his thanks, remarking that he had not been eligible to wear the officer's plume as a cadet. He also told the cadets that their gift would be on permanent display in the Eisenhower collection in Abilene, Kansas.

On behalf of all alumni, Gen. Lampert presented a blazer with embroidered crest to the General from the Association of Graduates.

Eisenhower talked military history for almost an hour with the cadets, recalling how he had discovered the importance of this subject early in his own career. He also commented on the tremendously improved course now being offered at the Academy as compared with the course he studied as a cadet.

Ike's birthday observance began at 7 o'clock in the morning with a special tape recording prepared by the Army Band. In addition to appropriate greetings the tape included the General's favorite musical selections.

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New June Week Policy

June Week congestion, the problem of providing adequate support to the members of the graduating class and their families, and alumni activities have been the subject of considerable study over a period of years. Now, the expanding Corps and the attendant construction work add new complications. As a consequence, a new program, curtailing June Week support for the younger reunion classes has been approved by the Superintendent for testing in 1966.

Beginning with the Class of 1941 and all earlier classes observing 5-year reunions in 1966, full administrative and logistical support will be provided as before. Precedence will continue to be given to the 50th and older reunion groups. Next in priority will be those classes observing their 45th, 40th, 35th, 30th, and 25th reunions.

Reunion classes starting with the Class of 1946 will be encouraged to make their reunion plans around Homecoming. In anticipation of this change, efforts are already being made to make the Homecoming period attractive to the younger graduates; and appropriate alumni exercises—with cadet participation—will be scheduled. Full Academy support will be provided, again with priority going to the more senior classes.

By scheduling alumni activities in the early part of June Week and leaving the latter part of the period open for the graduating class the Superintendent considers that optimum support can be provided for both groups.

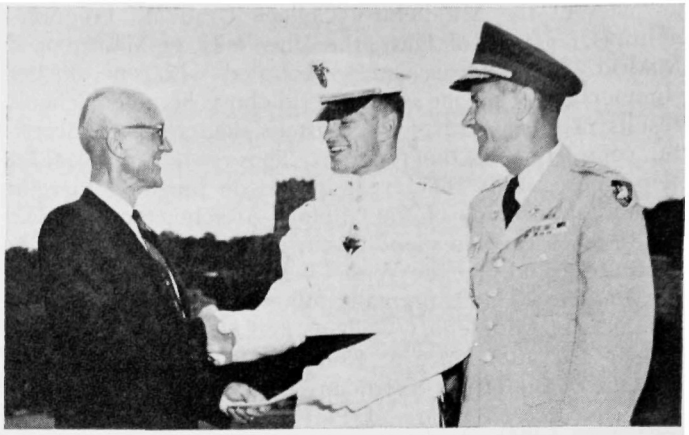
The tentative program for June Week, 1966:

Friday 3 June	0800	Alumni Headquarters opens.
	1630	Unit Awards Review.
	1830	Informal Dutch-Treat Cocktail Party, WPAM.
	2030	Alumni Dinner, Washington Hall.
	2200	Superintendent's Reception and dance, Washington Hall.
Saturday 4 June	0800	Catholic Alumni Mass (Alumni Breakfast in Cloister Room of Holy Trinity Chapel).
	0900	Memorial Service (Holy Communion), Cadet Chapel.
	1100	Alumni Exercises, Thayer Monument.
	1130	Alumni Review, The Plain.
	1230	Alumni Luncheon (Association of Graduates, Annual Meeting) Washington Hall.
	1230	Ladies Luncheon, WPAM.
	1430	ARMY-Navy Tennis Match.
	1430	ARMY-Navy Lacrosse game.
	1700	Class Dinners (or Picnics).
Sunday 5 June	0800	Underclass Protestant Chapel. Underclass Catholic Chapel.
	0845	Baccalaureate Services, Cadet Chapel.
	0930	Baccalaureate Services, Jewish Chapel.
	1030	Baccalaureate Services, First Class, Cathlic Chapel.
	1045	Baccalaureate Services, Cadet Chapel.
	1200	Alumni Headquarters Closes.

Missourian Named to Command Brigade of Cadets

Among the seven cadets to receive the Association's awards for military efficiency and leadership at the fall awards review was Norman E. Fretwell, Cadet First Captain for the school year 1965-66.

Fretwell's selection to command the Corps of Cadets culminates three unusually productive years as a cadet. He was first in his plebe-year class in aptitude for the military service, and during his yearling summer at Camp Buckner he was a battalion sergeant major, the highest rank open to Yearlings. His classmates elected him permanent class president that same year.



General Bessell (left), retired USMA Dean, and Col. J.B.R. Hines, Alumni Secretary, present the Association of Graduates' Leadership Award to Cadet First Captain Norman E. Fretwell.

Academically, Fretwell has consistently maintained a "dean's-list" average, and has been an outstanding performer in intramural athletics. As a Second Classman he played on the lacrosse team that won the Corps championships.

During this past summer, as "king of the beasts," Fretwell helped to prepare the largest plebe class in the Academy's history for integration into the Corps.

A native of Joplin, Mo., Fretwell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar E. Fretwell and a 1962 graduate of Joplin Senior High School.

This year marks the third successive year that Fretwell has been selected to receive the Association's Series "E" savings bond award for leadership.

Amphitheater Added to West Point Scene

All who may remember the old makeshift amphitheater with its small wooden stage, located near Battery Schofield in the hollow just north of Battle Monument will be pleased to hear that the old eyesore has finally seen its last days. In its place next spring will emerge a new open-air facility that will both serve the needs of the expanding Corps and enhance the aesthetic beauty of Trophy Point. The construction that began in September is scheduled to be completed in time for June Week 1966. The completed project will serve at once as a majestic lookout platform from which to view the Hudson Valley to the north and as an amphitheater to provide for a broader program of outdoor activities during fair weather.

The old, temporary installation will be replaced by a much larger and permanent platform atop Battery Schofield. This new, granite-faced area, rising only a few feet above the floor of the hollow, will have beneath it a spacious basement complete with dressing rooms and storage areas. The platform floor will be of such size and design as to support a broad spectrum of cultural programs and ceremonies, heretofore precluded by space and facility limitations, while at the same time providing a completely unobstructed view up the Hudson from Trophy Point.

A portable acoustical shell, appropriately designed to blend with the surroundings, will be utilized to provide a stage backdrop when needed. Other appointments and facilities will be provided to support an expanded fair-weather program of chapel services by all denominations.

The rustic, grassy slopes—devoid of any stone or concrete "forum" atmosphere—will be retained. An appropriate sound system, providing range and fidelity for stage presentations, as well as extensive lighting for evening

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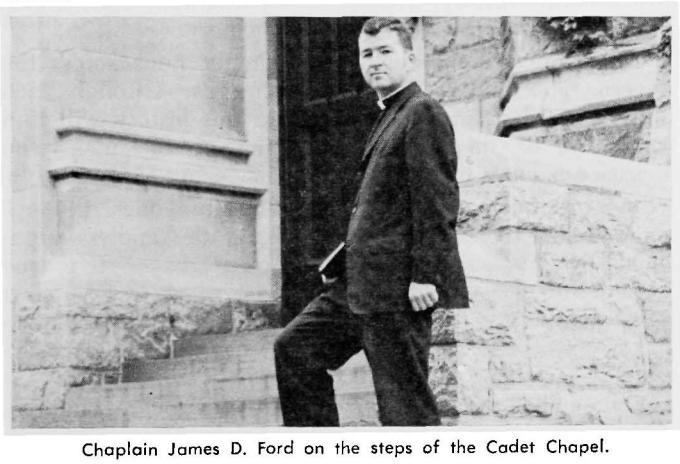
programs, will be blended into the natural environment as part of the landscaping effort.

This much-needed and long-dreamed-of improvement has been made possible by grants from the Richard King Mellon Charitable Trusts to the West Point Superintendent's Fund. It promises to be a magnificent addition to the West Point scene and one which should serve the Academy well.

President Appoints USMA Chaplain

When President Johnson signed his appointment as Chaplain, U.S. Military Academy on 1 September 1965, 34-year-old Rev. James David Ford became one of the youngest men to hold that office. He had first come to West Point in 1960 as assistant to the late Chaplain Theodore C. Speers, and has been serving as acting USMA Chaplain since the latter's death in September 1964.

The son and grandson of Lutheran clergymen, Chaplain Ford is a native of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. From high school in Minneapolis, he went to Gustavus Adolphus in St. Peter, Minn., graduating in 1953. He received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Augustana Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Ill., in 1957, and during the following year did graduate work at the University of Minnesota and at the University of Heidelberg, Germany. At the time that he was first called to West Point he was serving as pastor of Bethany-Elim Church at Ivanhoe, Minn.



Chaplain James D. Ford on the steps of the Cadet Chapel.

As an undergraduate, Chaplain Ford was active in athletics—notably skiing,—was president of his class and his fraternity, and was elected to the Guild of St. Ansgar, a campus organization honoring senior students excelling in leadership, scholarship, and extracurricular activities.

Chaplain Ford is married to the former Marcia Ruth Sodergren of Portland, Oregon. Mrs. Ford's brother is a Lutheran clergyman, and four generations of the Sodergren family have served as Lutheran pastors.

The Fords have three children: Julie 6, Peter 4, and Marie 2.

Chaplain Ford's father, the Reverend Reuben H. Ford, is presently pastor of St. John's Church, Stacy, Minn.

The USMA "Memory Book"

"In Memoriam" gifts are being received in increasing numbers from families, friends, and classmates on behalf of deceased graduates. Such gifts formerly made on behalf of favorite charities or in the form of floral pieces, are now being sent to the West Point Superintendent's Fund, where they are gratefully received and prudently administered.

In order that appropriate and continuing recognition may be given to the graduate being memorialized and to the donor(s) of gifts, the Superintendent has approved the concept of a "Memory Book" which will be on permanent display in the beautiful West Point Room of the USMA Library. A separate page in this book will be devoted to each individual hereafter honored by "In Memoriam" gifts, and thereon will be inscribed the deceased's name and the name of the donor making the contribution. Additionally, the next of kin of the memorialized graduate will be informed of each donor's thoughtfulness, without reference to the amount donated.

Donors of "In Memoriam" gifts are requested to make them payable to the West Point Alumni Foundation, Inc., which will in turn credit them to the West Point Superintendent's Fund. All such contributions to this fund are applied towards projects beneficial to West Point and the Corps which cannot be provided through other available monies.

All contributions to the West Point Superintendent's Fund, including "In Memoriam" gifts, are tax deductible.

NEW BOOKS

Dear Belle: Letters from a Cadet and Officer to his Sweetheart, 1858-1865.

Narrative and edited by Catherine S. Crary. Foreword by Bruce Catton. Drawings by Cecile Johnson. 256 pages. $5.95. Wesleyan University Press, Middletown, Conn., 1965.

Reviewed by HAROLD D. KEHM '23, Col. USA Ret.

The letters quoted in this book were written by Tully McCrea, USMA 1862, to his cousin Belle, while Tully was a cadet and later during his service in the Civil War.

Although the letters themselves are well written, Dr. Crary supplies a narrative which serves as a background that makes the letters even more meaningful. Her editing throughout is quite unobtrusive.

McCrea was born in Mississippi, but when he was 14 his parents died and he moved to Ohio where he was reared by his uncle and aunt, Belle's parents.

After his graduation from the Academy in the spring of 1862 Tully served as an artillery officer in the Civil War until he was wounded in 1864. He was then assigned to West Point for a short time, the first of two duty tours there during his active military career. Tully McCrea died at West Point in 1918 at the age of 79. He had retired 15 years before as a brigadier general.

Tully's daughter Alice became the wife of William H. Tschappat, USMA 1896, Professor of Ordnance at West Point from 1912 to 1918. It was through this daughter and her niece, Sidney Smith, that Tully's letters were eventually made available for publication.

Dear Belle is the story of a cadet and young Army officer's life during the most trying era of our national history. The letters that serve as the basis for the story are at once a record of events and young Tully's reactions to those events—at the time they happened. They are not mere reminiscences dimly recalled years later. And Tully's timely comments mark him as an alert and enthusiastic cadet and an effective officer with a keen mind and sound judgment.

In his foreword, Bruce Catton says of Tully's opinions on the Civil War as expressed in his letters that they are the most revealing he has read and that they "somehow epitomize the terrible problem that the outbreak of the Civil War brought to the entire country." Catton also makes an observation reminiscent of Scott's famous "fixed

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opinion" when he says that West Point made McCrea "one of the solid, reliable, dedicated young officers without whom the war could not have been won..."

The descriptions of cadet life will have a particular appeal to readers who have been cadets or who have served at West Point. It is also revealing to note how much of the Thayer stamp was on the Academy of that day and how much of that same stamp survives today.

But the changes at the Academy since that day are also noteworthy—and striking!

Problems within the Corps and the ways of coping with them seem to have been much the same in Tully's day as they were in this reviewer's day 60 years later, although the differences can be both amusing and amazing.

Tully's reactions to military leaders and to combat situations are quite remarkable considering that his evaluations are based on less than two years of active service and considering also that he was only 26 years old at the time. His views on men such as Dennis Mahan, McClellan, Hooker, and especially on Custer (his roommate at West Point), are most revealing, and his letters provide some new conceptions on the military men of that day.

Tully had the good fortune to serve under H.J. Hunt, USMA 1839, "Mr. Artillery" of the Federal Army—and he learned his lessons well. Some of his observations on artillery were prophetic, and in certain aspects of command and technique were to become reality in World War II.

The "sweetheart" aspect of the letters need not frighten prospective readers, for there are no signs of maudlin sentimentality. Tully does not marry Belle to give the book a conventional, happy ending.

If you have had experience with or interest in West Point, or if you are a Civil War buff, don't miss this book. You will treasure it. And, if you have a friend with such a background, *Dear Belle* will be a gift he or she will cherish.

ARMY vs. NAVY—70 Years of Football Rivalry

By Mr. Jack Clary. Ronald Press Company, New York, N.Y., 1965. 328 pages. $6.00.

Reviewed by Mr. BOB STEWART, Sports Columnist, New York *World-Telegram & Sun.*

For every West Point alumnus, for every West Point family, for every ARMY football fan, this history of America's greatest rivalry offers delight, nostalgia, and the renewal of controversy.

The same, of course, may be said for any and all adherents of the Navy.

Here, in explicit if sometimes heavy detail, is the complete review of all that has happened in the ARMY-Navy series, from the first amateurish posturings of Dennis Michie in 1890 to the moment when the Middies sadly flicked the switch of their huge electric sign in Kennedy Stadium, extinguishing the flashing numerals that ran from one to six and then exultantly had glowed with "and more."

It is incredulous that the service academies in 65 games should be so evenly balanced. ARMY's stunning triumph a year ago saved the series from being dead even—an objective that burned so brightly at Annapolis—and a spur to ARMY determination that West Point would maintain its historic advantage that dated back to 1911.

Yet the cold fact that ARMY has won 31 times, Navy 29, and that five times there was no winner, cannot in the slightest tell the story, the legend, the dream that the inter-service war is.

Jack Clary handed himself a monumental job in deciding to trace the series, not only in what occurred on the various gridirons, but also in tracking down what became of this halfback or that guard in later life. Part and parcel of his book are concerned with the history of the times themselves.

So, while the game is the heart of the story unfolded, the sidelights, the anecdotes, the politics of the day sometimes are much more engrossing than the recapitulation of who did what to whom on a given November or December afternoon.

Through the pages of the book march not only the Long Gray Line, and the white-capped men in blue, but the Presidents, the senators, the congressmen, the generals and the admirals who influenced the game for better or for worse.

There are graphic pictures of Teddy Roosevelt roaring "Bully," and of Margaret Truman grinning at her father as she motioned blowing her brains out when Dad's Navy team just missed stunning the ARMY in the incredible 21-18 cadet win in 1946.

But if the greatest names in the nation's history are there, there, too, are the countless nameless and, alas, faceless, cadets and midshipmen who are really the soul of the rivalry.

Surely, there is no alumnus of either school who has not his favorite story of the game and what it was like when he was a cadet or a middie. And, just as surely, in this accurate history, a chapter, a paragraph, even a sentence will open the floodgates of memory.

The antics, the pranks, the midnight raids across the Severn. The rallies. The bedsheet signs. Through each and every Class, members who read this history will find something of themselves, something of the men who shared Academy life with them.

As for the games—the routs, the close ones, the upsets—all are there to touch off again the endless arguments by grandstand coaches and quarterbacks. It is true that to the Class of 1964, the game of their first class year was the greatest of all time. It is equally true that to the Class of 1927 nothing can match the 21-21 outcome in Chicago in the fall of 1926. And it is equally true that alumni contemporaries of Oliphant, Garbisch, Hamilton, Borries, Blanchard, Davis, Cutter, Cagle, Wilson—in fact, of every man who wore the uniform on any field from the Point to Annapolis, to the Polo Grounds, to Franklin Field—each alumnus will have his own hero, his own story to retell, kindled by reading this book.

Paradoxically, it is the all-encompassing effort to give each game in the series attention that makes the going tedious at times. But history cannot ignore detail, and, as has been noted, it is likely that what may have been the dullest game may provide the brightest memories for those most closely associated with either Academy.

Throughout its 328 pages, only one character remains constant. The football heroes come and go to the Point and to Annapolis. They come as youngsters, they go on to fame, glory and anonymity. They become Presidents, they die on San Juan Hill, at Chateau Thierry, at Pearl Harbor, on Normandy, in Korea, and in Vietnam. But the one neutral character remains. The 23rd man on the field so many times. The relentless clock, whose seconds are tolled off each year as another ARMY-Navy game slips into its place in history, and into the hearts and minds of all those who follow this battle on the friendly fields of strife.

This is a work most heartily recommended for every West Pointer's library.

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Fighting Generals

By Curt Anders. G. P. Putnam's Sons, N. Y. 320 pages. $5.95.

Reviewed by RUSSELL P. "RED" REEDER '26, Col. USA Ret.

Curt Anders, USMA '49, may prove to be the outstanding writer produced by West Point in the last 50 years. His ability was first evidenced by his *The Price of Courage* (1957), a work of historical fiction with a Korean War setting. Anders had served there as a rifle company commander.

In *Fighting Generals* Anders validates the power and vigor of his writing. In this serious study of eleven outstanding American battle leaders he is particularly effective as he presents his original thoughts on each man.

Anders's chosen eleven: George Washington, Nathanael Green, Andrew "Old Hickory" Jackson, U.S. Grant, Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, R.E. Lee, John J. Pershing, Dwight D. Eisenhower, George S. Patton Jr., Douglas MacArthur, and Matthew B. Ridgway; all are treated in such a way that the reader sees them against the panorama of the wars they fought in. Major facts of the strategic story are given in detail. It is especially interesting to note in this book why some of these generals have become symbols of their campaigns.

West Point graduates, a discriminating audience for such a book, will agree with many of author Anders's portraits, perhaps disagree with a few. The odds are, however, that every reader of *Fighting Generals* will gain in knowledge and will be stimulated.

To me, the sharpest portrait Anders paints is that of U.S. Grant. The chapters on Pershing, "The Iron Commander," and on George Patton are also exceptionally vivid. More space might have been devoted to Pershing's determination that the AEF fight as a unit, and in the Patton chapter some mention might have been made of his excellence as a track man during his cadet days. He was awarded his "A" in this sport and set a new Academy record in the 220 low hurdles.

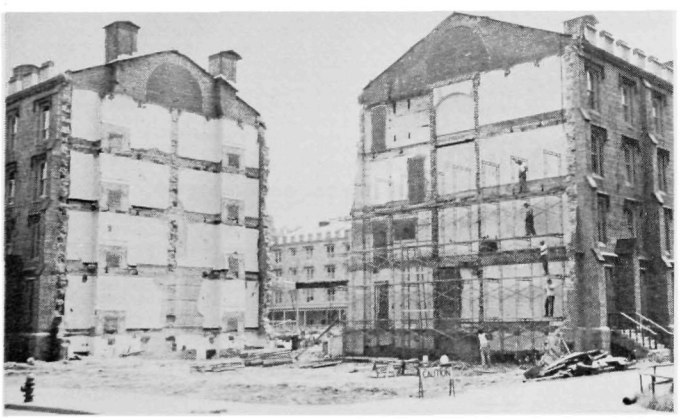
Probably the most entrancing chapter is the one devoted to Douglas MacArthur, although many will wish that Curt Anders had given more detail about the General's days as West Point Superintendent.

Fighting Generals is a valuable book. Maps would have made it even more so. Owners of this book will, no doubt, read it more than once.

Expansion File

►In the short period since the June Week groundbreaking, the first stages of the 7-year, multi-million-dollar expansion program are well along toward completion.

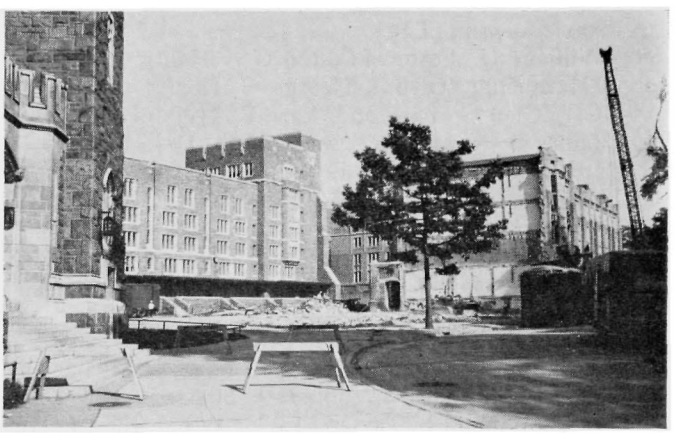
►To the right and left of Washington Hall, the Cadet Mess, two divisions of Central Barracks and four divisions of Old North Barracks have been neatly trimmed away to make room for the Washington Hall extension.



►Main utility lines for servicing the massive new barracks complex have been moved forward from Jefferson Road to their permanent locations under the west border of the Plain.

►Father Thayer has settled gently into place on the site of the old hotel, his place of honor for the duration. French Monument (Gold Tooth), presently in storage, will eventually be furbished before being re-sited when the new barracks are in place. The Class of '15 Monument has been moved to a position diagonally opposite the Clock Tower.

►The demolition work on the barracks and the excavation on the Plain have unearthed some interesting facts. Contraband hidden from the prying eyes and hands of Tacs for decades



was no problem for the contractor armed with a wrecking bar. Former occupants of the demolished divisions may claim an old cookie jar, a pocket knife, a derby hat, or assorted buttons at the Expansion Planning Office.

►Along Diagonal Walk and just a few inches under the sod on the Plain, the Expansion Planning and Control Office (EPCO) found the long lost Old Academy building. Despite the availability of ample records establishing the existence of this old West Point landmark, its exact location has long been in doubt. Built in 1815 expressly for the new Military Academy it was destroyed by fire in 1838. The building foundation had evidently been covered over by a thin layer of soil, and generations of cadets have been marching and countermarching over it for well over 100 years. The Planning Office will continue to excavate the newly discovered ruin as construction crews go on to the next phase.

►Bids on the extension of Washington Hall and the two wings of barracks adjoining it were opened on 5 October and this phase of construction was expected to begin in November.

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Sons of Alumni Among the New Plebes

USMA Class of 1969 rosters reveal the familiar names of 48 West Pointers' sons who survived the rigors of Beast Barracks. Nineteen others appear on the rolls of the new classes at the Naval and Air Force Academies. (Fathers' names are in parenthesis.)

USMA:

1919—Robert A. Bassett (Bassett R.H.).
1934—Loyd E. Fellenz (Fellenz L.E.), James D. Mullen (Mullen W.J., Jr.).
1935—John A. Gloriod (Gloriod J.A.), William B. Rynearson (Rynearson C.B.), Peter J. Skells (Skells J.F.).
1936—Richard McCarty (McCarty R.D.).
1937—Philip D. Brant (Brant P.D.), James D. Richards (Richards D.A.).
1938—David O. Byars, 3d (Byars D.O., Jr.), David D. Harvey (Harvey C.C., Jr.), David W. Hayes, Jr. (Hayes D.W.), Robert Jannarone (Jannarone J.R.), Edward J. Swenson (Swenson J.H.).
1939—Brooks A. Boye (Boye F.W., Jr.), George P. Lasche (Lasche E.P.).
1940—Neal M. Bengtson (Bengtson N.M.), Michael F. Colacicco (Colacicco F.), Bidwell D. Moore (Moore B.).
1941—Gerry Armstrong (Armstrong C.H., Jr.), Thomas F. Hendrickson (Hendrickson R.G.), Thomas R. Lawson (Lawson T.R.).
1942—William G. Foster (Foster G.), Henry Harmeling (Harmeling H., Jr.), George C. Hozier (Hozier G. C.), Glen S. Ivey and Karl F. Ivey (Ivey R.H.), James B. Newman (Newman J.B., III), Edward N. Rehkopf (Rehkopf G.D.).
Jan 1943—Henry F. Grimm, 3d (Grimm H.F., Jr.), David McDermott (McDermott R.F.), David A. Minckler (Minckler R.D.), Frederick Thaler (Thaler M.S).
Jun 1943—George G. Cantlay (Cantlay G.G., Jr.), Henry Schroeder (Schroeder H.J., Jr.).
1944—James R. Nelson (Nelson J.R.).
1945—Richard G. Gudgel (Gudgel E.F., Jr.), Michael G. Smith (Smith R.P.), Robert J. St. Onge (St. Onge R.J.), William B. Taylor (Taylor W.B.), Lucian Truscott (Truscott L.K., III), Austin J. Yerks (Yerks A. J., Jr.), William E. Zook, Jr. (Zook W.E.).
1946—Francis Gosling (Gosling F.G.), Harrison Lobdell (Lobdell H., Jr.), Thomas L. McMinn (McMinn T. L., Jr.), William B. Yancey (Yancey W.B., Jr.).
1947—George A. Lynn, Jr. (Lynn G.A.).

USNA:

1930—Hugh M. McCoy (McCoy H.M.).
1933—William Y. Frentzel, II (Frentzel W.Y.).
1938—Charles R. Porter (Porter N.C. ex'38).
Jun 1943—Duane P. Tenney, II (Tenney D.P.).
1946—Lawrence B. Hagel (Hagel J.B.).

USAFA:

1932—Armistead D. Puryear (Puryear R.W.), Kirk D. Stewart (Stewart S.R.).
1938—William R. Kieffer (Kieffer W.B.).
1939—John A. Manzo (Manzo S.E.), Thomas H. Samuel (Samuel J.S.).
1940—Burton E. McKenzie, Jr. (McKenzie B.E.).
Jan 1943—John H. Buckner, Jr. (Buckner J.H.), Norman L. Herrington (Herrington R. McK.), Michael K. Lindell (Lindell K.G.).
Jun 1943—Ralph G. Hallenbeck (Hallenbeck R.J.), Thomas J. Keck (Keck J.M.).
1945—Roc Bottomly (Bottomly H.).
1946—Douglas J. Mitchell (Mitchell H.C. ex'46), John B. Schmitt (Schmitt J.J., Jr.).

USMA TIME

by ROLEX

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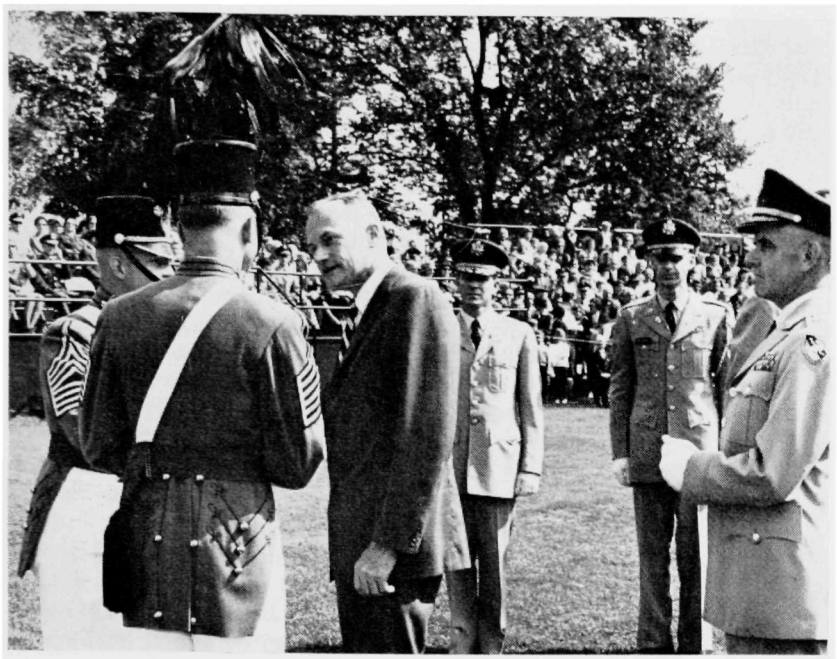
PICTURES IN THE NEWS

The cadet first captain will again be billeted in the 1st division room once occupied by Cadet Douglas MacArthur. Demolition of the 8½ division made the move necessary. Cadet First Captain N.E. Fretwell and Cadet Captain E.D. Atkinson examine MacArthur memorabilia in their new quarters.



Army Secretary Stanley R. Resor was a September visitor at West Point. Here he meets members of the cadet brigade staff following a review held in his honor.

Mark Clark Apr'17, (right) retiring president of The Citadel discusses college matters with Hugh Harris '31, his successor at the South Carolina college. Harris assumed his presidential duties on 1 July.

Crittenberger '13 accepts Brazil's Combat Cross, 1st Class, that country's highest award for heroism, from President Castello Branco (left). The General, whose WWII command included the Brazilian Expeditionary Force, spent 5 days in May as guest of the Brazilian government.

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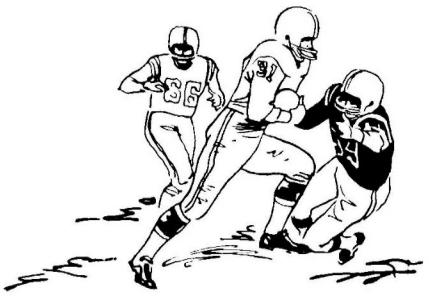

down the field...

by FRANK WALTER

ARMY's football fortunes were at the break-even mark after the first four games of the 1965 season, but the Cadets had already established themselves as one of the better defensive teams in the nation. There was no doubt when the season started that this was going to be a building year. Coach Paul Dietzel had 15 lettermen on his roster and since ARMY planned to join the parade and play two-platoon football, that meant that 22 starters would have to be available.

Coach Dietzel and his staff took nine lettermen and put them on the defensive platoon. Four others went to the offensive unit. The other two include a place-kicking specialist and a reserve who has seen duty at two positions already.

The effectiveness of these assignments is shown in the rushing and passing records of the first four opponents. Tennessee, Virginia Military Institute, Boston College, and Notre Dame have been able to gain but 82 yards a game by passing, and 92 yards a game by rushing to date. While these teams have tallied touchdowns, only one of them came on the ground.

The five-man defensive line consists of ends Tom Schwartz of St. Paul, Minn., and Dave Rivers from Richmond, Ky.; tackles John Carber from Langhorne, Pa., and Steve Lakamp of Cincinnati, Ohio, and middle guard Vince Casillo from West Hempstead, N.Y. The ends are Second Classmen; Casillo and Carber are First Classmen; and Lakamp is a Yearling. Lettermen Pete Braun from Westfield, N.J., and Townsend Clarke from Newport, R.I., are the linebackers. The cornerbacks, both lettermen, are Sam Bartholomew from Kingsport, Tenn., and Don Dietz from Little Rock, Ark. Deep backs are First Classmen Frank Cosentino from Maplewood, N.J., and Eddie Noble from Jacksonville, Fla. Noble is a 1964 letter-winner.

The present ARMY offensive unit has Sam Champi of East Orange, N.J., and Terry Young of Shillington, Pa., at ends; Mike Neuman of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Don Roberts of Welch, W.Va., at tackles; John Nerdahl of Robbinsdale, Minn., and Jeff Garrison of Wyandotte, Mich., at guards, and Tom Dusel of Ridgewood, N.J., at center. The backfield is composed of quarterback Fred Barofsky of LaGrange, Ill.; tailback Sonny Stowers of Chesapeake, Ohio; fullback Mark Hamilton of St. Petersburg, Fla., and flanker Carl Woessner of Dayton, Ohio. Champi, Barofsky, Stowers and Hamilton are letter-winners. Champi, Dusel and Stowers are First Classmen.

The other two lettermen are Dave Ray from Augusta, Ga., a First Classman, and Second Classman Barry Nickerson from Miami, Fla. Ray, who was a starting tight end on offensive last fall, has been bothered with knee trouble and has been used as a reserve at offensive guard and tight end. Nickerson will be remembered for his victory-producing field goals in the Iowa State and Navy games in 1964, and he supplied another as ARMY blanked Boston College, 10 to 0, this fall. He suffered a broken leg in practice just before the Rutgers game and will be lost for the rest of the season.

Newcomer Nick Kurilko from Wilson Borough, Pa., supplies ARMY with good punting. Kurilko started the season as an alternate fullback but injured his back in scrimmage and missed the opener. He came back against V.M.I. strictly as a punter and has averaged almost 39 yards per kick since then. Kurilko kicks a high punt, allowing the defenders time to get down and cover the kick.

A quick look at the schedule to date:

In spite of the fact that ARMY dominated the play, the Tennessee game saw the Cadets make three defensive errors and the Vols posted a 21-0 victory before 48,500

Outstretched Boston College arms reach in vain as Barry Nickerson (82) kicks a 32-yard field goal.

Cornerback Sam Bartholomew (21) and linebacker Townsend Clarke (56) put the pressure on a Boston College back as Army topped the Eagles, 10-0.

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fans at Knoxville. Touchdowns came on two passes and a punt return. First Classman Curt Cook from Tulsa, Okla., set a new record for most plays in a game when he threw 36 passes and carried 14 times.

Fred Barofsky returned as quarterback the following week and led ARMY to a 21-7 win over Virginia Military Institute as 21,000 fans watched the season home opener at Michie Stadium. The Keydet attack was limited to 58 yards on the ground as the ARMY defense showed its power.

Stowers carried 28 times for 158 yards and was named to the all-East team for that week. His effort almost surpassed the total V.M.I. yardage of 169 from both rushing and passing. Barofsky from the 6, Stowers from the 33, and Hamilton from the 13 produced the three ARMY scores. V.M.I. passed for its touchdown. Nickerson kicked all three ARMY conversions.

Boston College brought nearly 10,000 rooters to West Point, hoping to see the Eagles beat ARMY, something no other B.C. team had done. After a scoreless first half, in which both teams excelled in defensive play, Dietz recovered an Eagle fumble in the third period on the B.C. 32, and four plays later Nickerson booted a 32-yard field goal. Later, a wayward Boston punt which rolled out on the B.C. 30 set up ARMY's touchdown. The ground attack moved the ball to the 12 and from there Cook threw a strike to Champi and ARMY had nine points. Nickerson added the 10th. There was a full house—better than 31,000 fans—for this one.

The defense, led by linebacker Clarke, and Kurilko's punting kept the Eagles in their area all afternoon. Clarke was named all-East and *Sports Illustrated* selected him as "Lineman of the Week" for the entire country.

New York City's Shea Stadium was filled to its 61,000 capacity when ARMY and Notre Dame renewed their grid rivalry on 9 October. This was really a defensive battle, played hard all the way.

The Cadets took the kickoff and marched deep into Irish territory only to have a penalty halt the effort. Notre Dame scored on a pass play in the second quarter, intercepted a pass in the third which set up a score via the ground, and climaxed a long drive, stopped by the ARMY defenders, with a fourth-period field goal.

Looking ahead, there were big ones all the way. Rutgers at home marked the halfway mark, and the game was another sellout. Stanford in California, Colgate at home, Air Force in Chicago, Wyoming at home, and Navy in Phila-

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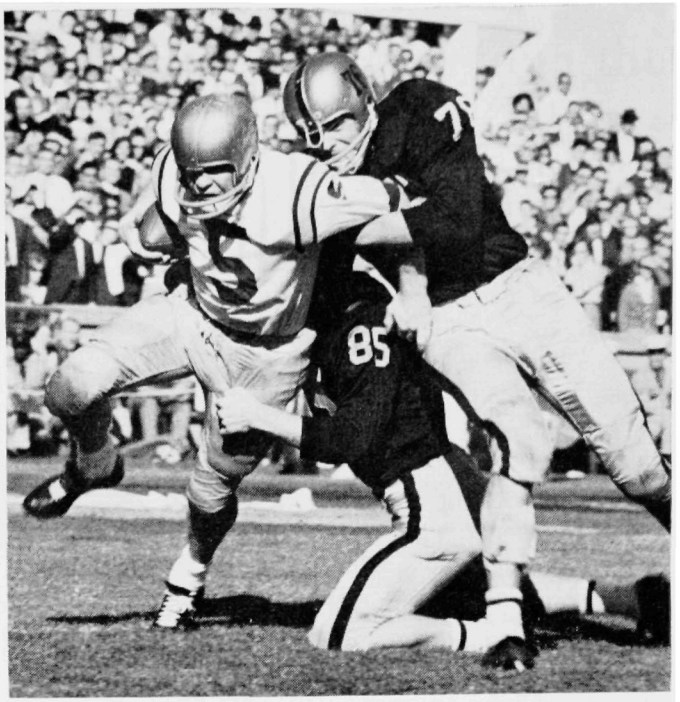
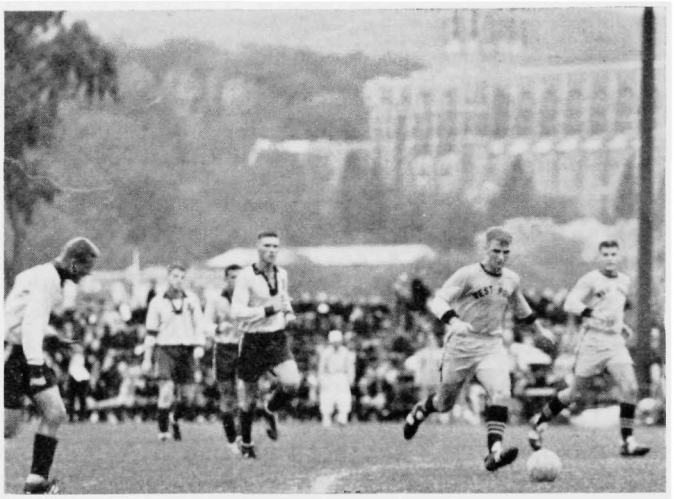


End Dave Rivers (85) and tackle Steve Lakamp (76) stop Boston College back Ed Foley (5) in the shadow of his own goal. Army rates among the top defensive teams in the nation this fall.



Joe Casey has a clear field as Army blanks the Merchant Marine Academy, 10-0, in the soccer season opener at West Point.

Army and Colgate harriers line up at the start of their dual meet at West Point. Army dominated this contest taking 9 of the first 10 places.

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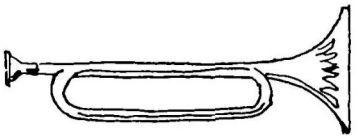

REPORT

. . . from the classes

'96

Editor's Note: *From R.J.* **Burt** *came a copy of a letter sent to him on his 91st birthday from the Historian at Fort Laramie, Wyo. Located at the Fort Laramie National Historic Site is the Burt House, officially designated by the Department of the Interior as a monument to the Burt family for distinguished service in the U.S. Army. Young Burt lived in this house with his parents in 1886 and 1887. Burt gives as his current address: Surfside Plaza Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla.*

'02

Col. F.D. Griffith Jr.
2544 Dell Road
Louisville, Ky. 40205

Pegram spent the summer in this country. He is still having trouble with his eyes but, if all goes well, expects to return to Palma de Mallorca in October or November.

One of the Service journals reported the death of Bill **Cowles**'s widow on 5 August. She had been ill for several months in the Army Distaff Hall.

Bell is carrying on as usual at the Army-Navy Club in Washington. Mrs. Bell spent most of the summer visiting relatives in Washington, Pennsylvania, and New York. She was scheduled to enter the Roosevelt Hospital in September for an operation.

Frankenberger is recovering from a minor operation. He is still shaky but is getting along nicely. He has left San Diego. His new address is: 3714 Stargazer Avenue, San Pedro, Calif. 90732.

Mrs. **Griffith** is the traveling member of this family. In June she attended the graduation of our younger grandson from a prep school in New Jersey, returning to Louisville via Washington, D.C., where she visited her sister for a few days.

'03

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

Jake **Wuest** writes from Orlando. He was disappointed over missing his annual trip to Europe in June ("doctor's orders"), but he was expecting to go to California in September to visit relatives. Helen, his wife, has had some trouble with an infection of the jaw.

John **Franklin** is enjoying life, and he lauds the beauties of the lakes and mountains of East Tennessee. He is a real booster for his native state. Albert **Gilmor** writes from Bar Harbor, Maine, but he expects to go back to New York when the cold weather drives him south. There he will hibernate, if anyone can be said to hibernate in that noisy city. Ulysses **Grant** spends half his time in Washington and half in what he calls "delightful central New York." He has discovered (he says) that old age is no suitable reward for a reasonably well-spent life. But he manages to keep busy. Just now he is interested in lending support to the proposal to erect a memorial at West Point to **MacArthur**. Gen. Leslie Groves is chairman of the committee in charge of erecting the memorial. More on this at a later date.

Benny **Ristine** has recently visited relatives in Indiana. His sisters will be with him this winter in Lakeland, Fla. He is well situated, in a nice house in Lakeland, and he seems well. Lewis **Turtle** writes from San Antonio that he spent all summer there, in spite of the heat. He and Maida have read aloud Thayer's "Life of Bethoven" in 2 vols. He wonders if that Thayer was related to our Sylvanus. Now he is reading the "Life of John Keats," Lewis's favorite poet. Did anyone ever suspect, when we were cadets and Lewis was being hazed, that he had these hidden sources of pleasure?

Marion **Howze** wrote a short note. He was hoping to go up to Maine for awhile last summer, but they "pulled the rug from under him" by canceling the Oxford County Fair which is usually held at Norway, Maine, and which was one of the main attractions.

Dick **Moore** writes from Pebble Beach, Calif. He says my card to him was missent to Pear Blossom, Calif., a place he had never heard of. Thinks it was caused by these ZIP numbers; says it is too much for "this engineer, who, like the rest of his classmates, occupies himself primarily with just living."

Colley says he was in the hospital for a couple of weeks the last part of July, but he is much better now. Clifford **Jones** at Norcross, Ga., had just returned from visiting his brother DeWitt '05 at Blowing Rock, N.C. He said it made him sad to pass through Hendersonville, N.C., and not find Celery **Farmer**, as he usually did. **Rodney** spent most of the summer at Paris, Maine, with all his family. For part of the time there were 15 people sleeping in their two houses, and they had all their meals together. Some gathering! Rodney had lunch one day with the **Farnums** in Portland, both of whom look wonderful. Rodney also spent several days at his old home, New Castle, Del. Just now he is getting "itching feet" to be going somewhere, and he expects to attend the ARMY-Navy football game in Phila. on 27 Nov.

One more of our stalwarts has passed on. Louis **Dice** died at Portsmouth, Ohio, on 17 Aug. A nephew notified me of the fact. That leaves 18 of ye braves extant. Hang on! It's still a lusty gang. I don't hear any one dispute it when I say "it is West Point's finest."

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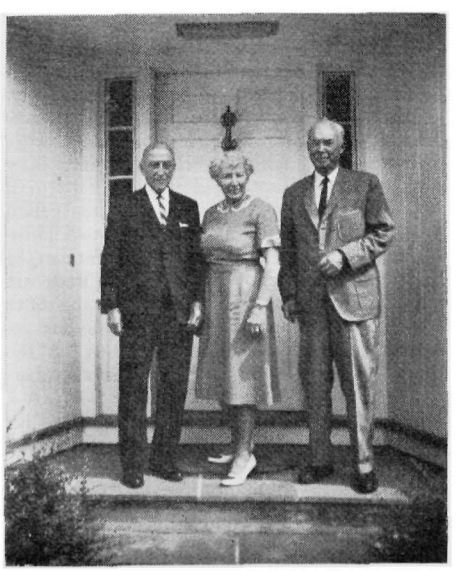
> West Point, N.Y. 10996



1903: Rodney with the Farnums at Portland, Maine, in August 1965.

'04

Maj. Gen. William Bryden
3555 Springland Lane NW.
Washington, D.C. 20008

After a long illness, **Alley**'s death occurred on 3 July 1965 in Los Angeles, California. Burial was in Forest Lane Memorial Park, Glendale, California. I have also been advised of the passing of **Hunter** G.B. at Letterman General Hospital on 11 Sept. His widow Opal lives at 2550 Dana St., Berkeley, Calif.

'05

Brig Gen. Arthur W. Lane
4801 Connecticut Ave., NW.
Washington, D.C. 20008

All the news that your reporter has been able to compile has been included in Class Letter No. 17 which was recently sent to all classmates and class widows. The following two items from this Letter will probably be of interest to many persons not connected with the Class of 1905.

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Tombstone Rendezvous

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humorist. Derby's writings influenced many authors, notably Mark Twain.

Quincy Adams Gillmore of the Class of 1849 designed his own Medal of Honor. He presented over 400 of them to troops who fought under him around Charleston, South Carolina, from July to September, 1863.

Eugene Asa Carr of Erie County, New York, joined the Mounted Riflemen after his graduation in 1850. Twelve years later he was commanding the Federal Cavalry at Pea Ridge, Arkansas, where he was wounded three times. The rugged Carr not only refused to leave the field to have his wounds dressed, but refused even to dismount from his horse, insisting that he be bandaged while he sat in the saddle. His leadership at Pea Ridge won him the Medal of Honor.

After Appomattox, Carr held the rank of major, but his fighting days were far from over. General C. D. Rhodes of the Class of 1889, an Indian fighter and later a soldier of the AEF, as well as a writer and lecturer, has written: "... Eugene Carr is perhaps the most famous Indian fighter of the quarter century following the Civil War ... a born cavalry leader, known to the Indians as 'War Eagle.'" His fighting against the tribes won him promotion after promotion. The famous artist, Frederic Remington, said of Carr: "He would rather be a colonel of cavalry than the Czar of Russia."

West Point graduated two classes in 1861 and soon after receiving their diplomas, forty-three of the new lieutenants were catapulted into the first Battle of Bull Run. Cadets of the period 1860-63 became veterans fast. Twenty-three of them lie in the West Point cemetery. Among them is George A. Custer.

Volumes have been written about George Armstrong Custer, Class of June 1861. His tragic end at Little Big Horn in 1876, when more than 200 of his troopers faced about 2,500 Cheyenne and Sioux, interrupted the centennial celebration in Philadelphia and captured the attention of the civilized world. Few Americans today realize that Custer had already established himself as an outstanding cavalry leader in the Civil War. He was a natural combat leader and won distinction at Gettysburg, Yellow Tavern, and at Five Forks. During the war, eleven horses were killed under him, and by war's end he had become a national celebrity. His costume reflected his flamboyant nature, and according to Meade's aide, Ted Lyman, he dressed like a "circus rider gone mad."

After Little Big Horn, controversy and publicity blazed about the Custer name. Debate flared. Who had been to blame? His spectacular death made him a popular but controversial hero.

Custer's was probably the largest

Clarence **Ridley** married Mrs. Gladys Kay, a longtime friend and neighbor, at Carmel, Calif., on 21 July. Their honeymoon trip was to Honolulu where he was stationed 56 years ago. I know I speak for the entire Class of 1905 when I offer congratulations to Clarence and express the hope that the newlyweds may long enjoy their companionship.

Clifford **Early**'s wife, nee Harriet Harman, a leader in Atlanta's civic, social, and cultural circles, passed away on 12 July in a local hospital after 2 years of illness following a major operation for cancer. She did not suffer excruciating pain but was thoroughly uncomfortable. Under these distressing conditions Clifford did not want her to live on and on. When the end finally came he felt that it was a long-delayed blessing. After services in Atlanta, interment was in Arlington National Cemetery.

'06

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

The original intention of Hurricane Betsy was to clobber us Georgians, but, fortunately for us, she changed her mind and walloped the Bahamans and Miamians instead. We appreciate their troubles, having enjoyed them in other years. The boom continues unabated here, with apartments and houses being

1906: Commander of Connecticut's foot guard congratulates Hoyle following award ceremony. Gov. Dempsey stands at left.

rushed to completion and filled at once with industrial people arriving to handle the new facilities that are growing monthly in our area. Fort Gordon is also being done over permanently as a great school center. Busy town, this!

Julia **King**, our honorary member, called a little while ago from a local Howard Johnson's, on her way to Iowa to join father Joe for the remainder of the summer. Both are planning to be at West Point for the 60th Reunion next June. DeRussy **Hoyle** has reserved lunch and dinner facilities at the renovated Army Mess for all class members and widows. We are all indebted to Gen. Palmer Pierce '91 for the grand club. He never lost his interest in West Point and its football team.

We have a photograph of DeRussy being greeted by the commander of the Connecticut Governor's Footguards on the occasion of his being made an honorary member. He was given a big review and a full-dress dinner, at which he heard many speeches about his grand military career and his contributions to the state and nation. The organization has been continuously active since 1775. It gave a review for '06 on **Wainwright** Day in 1943. Hearty congratulations to DeRuss for this honor to a great soldier. He and Cristine are preparing to be at W.P. next June for the 60th.

A postal from Dublin, Ireland, accounts for Hap **Pennell**'s failure to meet in the mountains this summer. He is investigating several things: the why of the two "n's" in his name; the background of the family; and the origin of "Fiddler's Green" for the Fort Sill club, which has adopted the name. Skinny **Wainwright** recited the poem most dramatically at the 50th Reunion. Hap recently won a golf tournament at Fort Sill, a handicap one, but he failed to mention his handicap. What a traveler. He planned to return soon, by way of Lisbon, Portugal, and London.

Flora Noble and Mary Finley, sisters, spent a month at our new and fairly successful retirement home in a former deluxe winter resort—the Bon Air Hotel in the middle of the hill section of Augusta—and we had a grand time recalling many Army meetings over the years since the days of '07, '08, and '09, in Zamboanga and Jolo in the Philippines.

McKew **Parr** has subscribed to a scholarship fund in memory of Betty **Riley**'s son, Christopher Shaw, who was killed in an automobile accident last June. He was Jim and Gene's grandson.

Robert **Selton**, Hugo's son, reports from Paris, his present station, that mother Elsie is now comfortably settled at the Distaff Hall and is much pleased with the place.

John **Merrill** sends in the latest address of Charlotte **Gatewood** Oakland, Gate's daughter. It is 11947-C Hawthorne, Calif. She is one of our god-daughters.

Bob **White** is still whistling down the MoPac tracks, though retired, and sends in some excellent articles about the present state of the nation and the world, recalling also his contacts with Skinny **Wainwright** and Jim **Riley**.

Henry **Finch** is suffering from cataracts that interfere with his reading, but he is quite disturbed over the bad press about the Los Angeles riots and the failure of the news media to support the superior police of that city in their handling of the sad affair.

Earl **McFarland** reports some startling news about the wreckage of the old barracks at West Point in order to provide for the increase in the Corps. We fear for the class tree on the edge of the Plain. Father Thayer is being moved! The Gen. Belknap and the Hustling Lizzie fire apparatus that once gave us such a merry chase at fire drill are no more. O mores, O tempora!

"Mick" **Daley**, still residing at the Fort Orange Club in Albany, N.Y., gives the following account of the grandchildren: Maj. E.K. Daley, Koehler's son, is with the 1st Div in Vietnam, after getting a Commendation Medal for his fine service in Korea; Capt. J.M. Daley, Jack's son, is back from Korea and now at Tulane U., studying for his M.A.; Anne, Jack's daughter, wife of Maj. Kramer, FA, is living in Junction City, Kans., while husband is in Vietnam; Jack Daley, Don's son, is an Air Force ROTC student at Lehigh U.; and Don's daughter, Nancy, holder of an A.B. from Syracuse U., is at Wayne U. studying for her M.A. Proud grandpap, what?

It is my sad duty to have to report the death of Dawson **Olmstead**, onetime Chief of the Signal Corps, at his Bellevue, Washington, home on 2 Sept. He was buried at

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Altadena, Calif. The sympathy of the Class has been sent to his grieving children.

Keep legs in shape for the graduates' march to Father Thayer next June. It's the 60th, remember. It's the last one for 1906!

'07

Col. John S. Sullivan
3506 Rodman St., NW.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dan'l **Boone** made a detailed study of the reception and handling of Plebes at the Academy, with suggestions on several points. He sent this to the Superintendent at West Point. He sent copies to graduates all the way from 1899 to 1963. He is collating and analyzing the replies which he will send in a special report to the Superintendent. A splendid piece of work. Congratulations. Dan'l wrote an excellent review of *Inside Hitler's Headquarters 1939-1945* by Lt. Gen. Walter Warlimont, German Army, Ret. Dan'l has known Gen. Warlimont for 35 years—first when he served with his regiment, the 12th FA, in 1930 as an exchange officer of the German FA and, later, in Berlin in 1939 just before World War II began.

Waldo **Potter** writes to the faithful in and about Washington that he is most grateful for the thoughtful yearly remembrance of his birthday. He says he is keeping busy at something all the time and that he wishes he had Ben **Castle** there to teach him a little golf.

Our numbers shrink again. A fine soldier, wounded in World War I and winner of the Silver Star for gallantry in action against the enemy, has joined the Long Gray Line that stretcheth on and on. Ralph W. **Dusenbury**, ill only 3 days, died in the Naval Hospital at Camp Pendleton in June. His widow Elinor wrote Paul **Larned** that their lovely home and grounds will no longer have an appeal for her without Ralph. George **Dailey** and Ralph, living on the same street, got together weekly and now both are no more. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Elinor and all members of the Dusenbury family. Hans **Wagner** sent a check to the Association of Graduates as a contribution from the Class in memory of Ralph.

Sandy **Chilton** always writes a most interesting letter. Acknowledging his class birthday card he writes: "It is the greatest pleasure in the world to see those well-known signatures, and to think that perhaps you were all together at a class luncheon when they were signed. . . . I continue to do nothing but garden. I am even prouder of the lilies I grow than I am of the roses. I found out only belatedly that they would flourish here. Pink, white, and yellow trumpets, 6 to 8 inches long, recurved types, Turk's head types, and bell-shaped ones that blossom up the stalk like hollyhocks.

"We had a pleasant visitor the other evening, Si **Hanson's** grandson Brian Hanson. He has just taken a degree in chemical engineering at the U. of Texas, and has gone to work for the Celanese Corporation. His father, Bill, has just retired from the Air Force as a colonel, after 30 years' service. Bill has been a great friend of ours ever since he showed up here to go to New Mexico State, where I was PMS&T, and where I afterwards put in 11 years teaching English. Brian had just been out to the Pacific Coast to visit his grandmother, Si's widow."

Eddie **Householder** sent greetings and thanks for his birthday card. He mentions a little poem entitled: "A Prayer," and quotes the last two lines: "My only prayer is while I live, God make me worthy of my friends." Eddie is an indefatigable worker. He must have an iron constitution.

Sloan **Doak** suffered for 12 years from shingles. The ablest medical authorities were unable to cure the disease, though they reduced the severity of the pain. He bore his burden in a stoical manner. He never complained. He was always cheerful. Josephine did everything possible to bring sunshine into his life. Finally, in August, he peacefully slept away. He was buried in Arlington, with his Washington classmates in attendance. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Josephine and to his other relatives. Hans **Wagner** sent the usual check to the Association of Graduates as a contribution from the Class in memory of Sloan.

A newspaper item stated that "Gemini-7 Astronauts Talk via Laser." It showed pictures of Maj. Borman, Lt. Cmdr. Lovell, and back-up pilot Maj. Michael **Collins**. The last-named is the son of James and Virginia. The project is a planned 14-day voyage into orbit early next year.

Paul **Larned**, reaching 4-score, was nicely remembered by the insurance company for which he worked several years ago.

Dan'l **Boone** was the lone '07 man in the march to the Thayer Monument in June. Earl McFarland was one of three representing 1906.

Walter **Wheeler** left us in September. It is a sad year for 1907. Walter had been ill for several years. He had been gradually going downhill. He was an extremely able officer, a real friend, and a devoted son of West Point. He was buried in Arlington, with his Washington classmates as honorary pallbearers. The wonderful devotion of noble wives prolong the lifespan of some, and Mildred Wheeler, now a widow, was one of those wives. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Mildred and to Walter's other relatives. Hans **Wagner** sent a check to the Association of Graduates, a contribution from the Class in memory of Walter.

Charley **Wyman**, while watching television, heard someone mention the "new Logan **Martin** Lake." There is a dam and a man-made lake. It is a beautiful lake with much activity—fishing, boating, skiing, etc., with marinas, motels, and many lovely homes. An hour's drive from Birmingham, many people live there permanently. The Alabama Bar Association building in Montgomery has one column given by Tom, Logan's brother, in memory of his father, one by Thelma in memory of Logan, and one by Evelyn in honor of Tom. Many thanks, Charley, for writing about the "new Logan Martin Lake" and many thanks, Thelma, for the information furnished.

John **Rose** gives the following as Parkinson's Law re the retired: "No matter how little work one has to do, it has the capacity of expanding itself to take all of your available time."

"Think of your own faults the first part of the night when you are awake, and the faults of others the latter part of the night when you are asleep." Chinese proverb.

'08

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McIntosh and Mrs. McIntosh ("Bill" to you), when last heard from, late in August, were on a trip to Jasper National Park in the Canadian Rockies of Alberta. In effect their message was: "Having a wonderful time. Wish you were here."

funeral held at West Point up to that time. Excursion boats brought thousands of people from Poughkeepsie and New York City. A monument was erected to Custer's memory, but reportedly Mrs. Custer disapproved of the figure with its drawn sword, so the monument came down. Today, a heavy, eight-foot-high pedestal, decorated with bronze buffaloes, Indians, spears, tomahawks, and peace pipes, marks the Custer grave. On its north side, in relief, is a horse and rider with flowing cape, the horseman's sword pointing the way—upward. As for the original statue, no one has ever been able to explain its mysterious disappearance. It may well rest where it was once rumored to be: on the bottom of the Hudson River.

The first Regular Army officer to be wounded in the Civil War was the energetic and restless Judson Kilpatrick, Class of May 1861, nicknamed "Kill Cavalry." He earned this nickname not only because he commanded cavalry hard and vigorously, but also because he planned and ordered a fruitless charge just south of the Devil's Den at Gettysburg that carried 66 troopers to their deaths.

It was also General Kilpatrick who conceived the ill-fated Kilpatrick-Dahlgren Raid that had the ambiguous mission of distributing propaganda pamphlets and of capturing Richmond. The raid served only to stir new anger in the South and cost the Union almost 600 horses and 340 soldiers.

Kilpatrick was in command of Sherman's cavalry on the March-to-the-Sea, and the conduct of his troopers was on a par with that of the worst of the "bummers." Although he was to become U.S. Minister to Chile, the Kilpatrick bronze marker features the symbol of his military career—a cavalryman and his mount.

Another famous cavalryman, Ranald Slidell Mackenzie, top man in the Class of 1862, was one of those who were plunged into war right after graduation, and two months later he lay wounded throughout the night on the field at Second Battle of Bull Run.

When the officers of the 2nd Connecticut Regiment of Heavy Artillery asked General Emory Upton to recommend the name of a man to replace their dead commander, the General promptly suggested the young engineer, Captain Mackenzie, and he was accepted.

Mackenzie found the 2nd Connecticut demoralized by the 300 casualties it had suffered in the battle, and he tightened its discipline. Suddenly, as if a cyclone had struck, his personality engulfed every soldier of the regiment. Of the march to the Shenandoah, one Lieutenant Vaill of the unit wrote, "Our old commander chastised us with whips, but this colonel dealt in scorpions. By the time we reached the

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Valley, Mackenzie had developed into a far greater terror than Early's grape and canister."

Near the end of the war, in 1865, Mackenzie had two fingers shot off, and this kept him on the sidelines for 20 days. Within a matter of months he was commanding a corps, and Grant himself called Mackenzie "the most promising young officer in the Army."

With the return to peace, the Army held on to Mackenzie but reduced him to a colonel and transferred him to the "Indian frontier." A Comanche arrow failed to slow him. Not enough soldiers, not enough ammunition for target practice, made him even more fierce and unapproachable.

In 1873 Sheridan gave Mackenzie secret orders to take his depleted regiment into Mexico to punish the Kickapoo and Lipan Indians and half-breeds who were scourging the Rio Grande country by kidnapping American men, women, and children and selling them in Mexico as slaves. Herds of cattle also moved south. Sheridan could not have chosen a better man to remedy the matter.

Not only was Mackenzie's Raid successful, the border remained quiet for 40 years, or until Villa appeared with his bandits in 1914. The foray earned Mackenzie the thanks of the governor of Texas and of the state legislature.

In 1875 while operating against the Indians in the Southwest he was thrown from a wagon, landed on his head, and remained dazed for several months. His last days are recorded by Edward S. Wallace, a writer, who years later flew over the trace of the raid into Mexico.

"He came to a sad end, this fierce combat soldier," Wallace wrote. "In a wee hour of the morning in San Antonio, a character in rough clothing pounded and pounded on the door of a small store. The owner and his friends awoke and overpowered the man. He wanted to fight, so they spread-eagled him to a wagon wheel and gagged him. They thought him a common drunk. Hours later someone recognized him as General Mackenzie. The people were astounded; General Mackenzie did not drink. A doctor checked him and found that he was completely out of his mind. He was sent to an asylum in Bloomingdale, N. Y., and the following spring retired in line of duty. He was released from the asylum and lived with a sister on Staten Island, dying five years later at the age of forty-eight."

He had served almost constantly in close combat for thirteen years with no opportunity for home life. Mackenzie's is a classic case of a graduate who literally gave his all to the people of the United States.

As Denis Mulligan has said, "The West Point cemetery stirs thoughts of the American past." When you visit

Hal **Coulter** reports from his home at 810 Paseo el Mirador, Palm Springs, Calif., that his reservoir of energy is pretty low, like the water supply reservoirs of New York City. He has been unable to reach **Muhlenberg** by phone or by mail recently and believes that Muley and his wife have skipped to Mexico—with plenty of lucre, we hope. Olin and Ruth **Ellis** spent the month of August at Southwest Harbor, Maine.

The New Mexican, of Santa Fe, on Sunday, 31 Aug, contained a full-page article about Mrs. **Cullum**'s art gallery. The opening paragraph of the article read: "For the opening of Mrs. Grove Cullum's new gallery Saturday, 31 July, at 1005 E. Alameda, she selected for exhibition 16 works by Randell Davey, distinguished American painter whose death occurred late last year." Mrs. Cullum lives at 6 Cerro Gordo Road in Santa Fe.

The peripatetic Jimmie **Burns** left Washington for San Francisco on 10 Sept to spend several weeks in California. He said he was making the trip for both health and pleasure, which he regards as virtually inseparable terms.

Bunny **Goethals** made a trip to Belgrade Lakes, Maine, in August, and routed himself via Durham, N. H., to see **Putney**, but found him away—sailing his boat, it developed. Put wrote that his wife May is still in a nursing home at Dover, but there is hope that she will be well enough to come home sometime. The following is quoted from his letter of 31 August:

"Last Saturday was 'Furlough Day,' or rather the 59th anniversary of it. Do you remember that we chartered a small steamer, the *Glen*, to take us from New York to the Point? And there was a small group of musicians, three I believe. They played 'Alexander's Rag Time Band.' It had been composed by the leader of the group and it was not published for a couple of years afterwards. That guy must have been Irving Berlin."

Goethals expected to return to the University Club in New York City about mid-September for the winter.

Every classmate, or class widow, who reads these notes is requested to write me a letter, long or short as he may be impelled to make it, giving at least his up-to-date address, his state of health, and any other information about himself and his family that he wouldn't be ashamed to see in print. Any information outside of that category which may be sent will be treated as confidential.

'09

Maj. Gen. G.L. Van Deusen
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Bath and Westwood Avenues
Long Branch, N.J.

Bill **Goetz** died on 2 Aug in a Greenwich, Conn., hospital, where he had been a patient for 13 months. "Tony" was then at her sister's in Edgartown, Mass., recovering from an attack of pleurisy. A military funeral was held on 17 Sept at West Point. Several classmates and many other friends attended.

Bob **Erlenkotter** phoned to say that his mother Eleanor died in a Jersey City hospital on 24 July, following a fall in which her hip was broken. Burial was in Arlington. Bob (Col. Robert Erlenkotter, Ret) now lives at 103 Murray Ave., Kentfield, Calif. His oldest son is a senior at Stanford U. and his daughter lives at home. Herman's other two sons are still on active Army service—Dick, stationed in Germany, and David, in Hawaii.

Cliff and Elsie **Bluemel** were dinner hosts to George and Effie **Van Deusen** on 21 June

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

at Asbury Park, N.J., where Cliff was attending the annual meeting of the "Sons of Valor." He narrated some highlights of his WWII experiences and followed up by sending your Scribe copies of his own official report on the Bataan operations and a similar report from one of his field officers. A factual account of the events of those few months should be required reading for young Americans (and some older ones).

Elena **Emmons** wrote on 21 June: "Delos is not at all well and is very quiet. I seem to be 'secretary' these days."

Barney **Oldfield**, as of 1 Sept: "Had a prostate operation in August but came thru fine and will be back at work at Boeing in a couple of weeks. Our son John (1st Lt in Bayreuth, Germany) was married on 1 August to Marilyn Smith, a schoolteacher of Service children. Otherwise, life is routine."

Caesar Rodney **Roberts**, as usual, put the bee on our West Coast classmates to send in any "dope" that might be of interest. Their lives must be tranquil, as only a few responded. Caesar reported on his own: "Except for the mild setback 2 months ago, I am still about as usual; play golf most evenings. Elsa and I will probably take our usual trip to the Bay Area if I get thru dental work in time." Bob **Sears** wrote on 1 Sept: "Caesar sent this card, so I'll have to put something on it. We are moving in about 6 months to Leisure World, Walnut Creek, Calif." Claude **Thummel** says it is hard to get any class news in the DC area. **Mountford** still plays golf. Dorothy **Godfrey** reported on 3 Sept: "I'm still alive, happy, and busy. Have sold a small home and have invested in a larger one, with a wonderful place for Pearce to establish himself as artist. Hope to go to Spain the the spring. Will hope to see lots of my good friends before long."

A letter from Irene **Ord**, 8 Sept, from which we quote: "Ethel **Wright** has been in San Francisco, but a note from her today tells me that she is back in Egremont, Mass., and will return to Washington at the end of the month. Peggy **Milling** is well. I see her often, especially at lunch. Catherine Hughes is still in a nursing home. The **Mountfords** seldom come to Washington but I talk to her by phone. Poor **Wen** did not recognize Claude **Thummel** or myself the last time we went to see him. At the time his son Howard was married, he took the bride to see his father. The wedding was beautiful and the bride lovely. The **Deverses**, Thummels, and myself were the class representatives. Howard is doing very well in the Veterans Bureau. Ned and Marian are with me. Ned is in the Dept of Justice. Marian still with the hush-hush organization. Garry is in Monrovia, Liberia."

George and Effie **Van Deusen**: "No appreciable change in our routine. Effie's mother is still a patient in a local nursing home, but is mentally alert and cheerful in spite of advanced years and an incurable malady. Not many Army contemporaries in our vicinity, but we are fortunate in having a goodly number of friends in this Jersey Shore sector. We hope to be at West Point for the Homecoming in early October."

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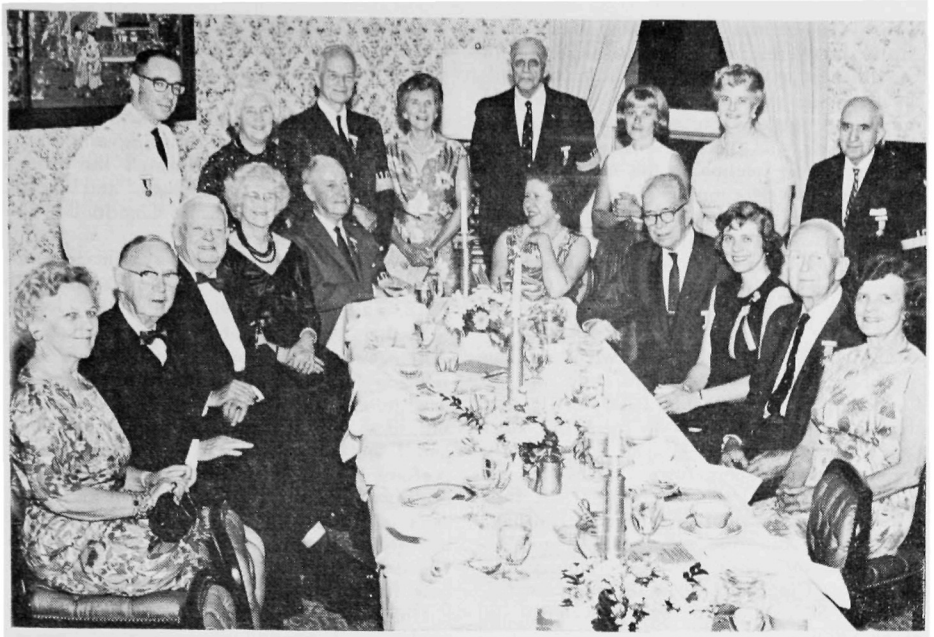

1910: 55th Reunion dinner, West Point, 6 June 1965. Seated (l. to r.): Kay Lewis, Tony Frank, BO Lewis, Gertrude Booton, Carey Brown, Mary Titherington, Bob Dunlop, PK Brigham, Pappy Selleck, Hortense Chapman. **Standing:** Maj. Rumbough '53, Margy Strong, Fritz Strong, Betty Solbert, PD Uhl, Mrs. Rumbough, Gwladys Leonard, Sam Edelman.

'10

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With the end of summer, fall is ushered in with bright skies and cool weather—really the most delightful season of the year, especially here in Washington. Pappy **Selleck** escaped some of our summer heat by spending a good part of August at his favorite lake near Middlebury, Vt. Visiting him part of the time were his son Pete with his wife Dolly and their three children.

D.S. and Olive **Wilson** enjoyed their annual summer vacation at one of the beach hotels at Ocean City, Md.

Gwladys **Leonard** spent the summer at West Winfield, N.Y., as usual. She has now sold her old family home there and will probably do more summer traveling in the future.

Several members of 1910 received European postal cards from Hortense **Chapman** last summer. She flew to northern Europe shortly after our 55th Reunion at West Point and included the Scandanavian countries in her travels.

Julia and PD **Uhl** bade fond farewell to their daughter Mrs. Edward Girard and family as the Girards departed for a 2-year sojourn in France. Mr. Girard will have his offices in Paris, and the family, with their three young sons, will reside in Versailles.

Marion **Beach,** who has lived in an apartment in Alexandria, Va., for several years, recently moved to the Army Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20015.

Esther **Polk** reported at the Class of '10 September luncheon that she had broken her ankle last summer but, fortunately, she was all well again.

The Jack **Heards,** who spend every summer at Silver Lake, N.H., stopped in Washington as usual this year en route to their winter home at San Antonio, Tex. They visited with various members of the family living here and with their many friends in the Washington area.

A cheerful letter just arrived from Jane **Drake** in San Francisco, who sent her best regards to all 1910ers. She reports all is well with her and her family.

Hazel and Tony **Frank** are making plans to leave Washington shortly after Xmas for their usual winter vacation at the Lakeside Inn, Mt. Dora, Fla.

'11

Brig. Gen. Harold F. Nichols
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From Class Committee Cir. No. 1, Washington, 9 Sept 31, signed by **Crawford,** comes this item: "The class reunion at West Point is still a subject of conversation among those who attended. With the weather doing everything possible to interfere, the success of this reunion surpassed all hopes. The attendance of Ben **Bishopp,** Tommy **Thompson,** and Jim **Neary** did much to help the occasion. The affection of these men for West Point and for our Class was evident and their enthusiasm was eclipsed by none. It was good to have the old Top Captain with us, and he was the hero of one of the most amusing episodes of our visit. Having arrived a little late for luncheon, Jack **Homer,** Crawford, and **Nance** started with Schimel in his car for the PX and ham and eggs. The rain was coming down in torrents when a dump cart handled by garrison prisoners and hauled by an ancient sorrel was passed. 'Stop the car,' yells Curt, 'there is Alcazar.' 'Who the hell is Alcazar?' asks Jack. 'My old horse, and I have to talk to him.' Curt went out in the pouring rain while the others sought the haven of the PX. Back came Curt, drenched, and quite unhappy, for it was a case of mistaken identity—the horse was not his Alcazar."

Ross **Batson** writes of the illness for some months of his wife Getty. We all send wishes for her continued improvement. Alfred **Betcher,** too, has been ill. Writing in July from the VA hospital in Albany, where he was convalescing from a hernia operation, he hoped to be fully recovered by mid-August. He had especially enjoyed Jim **Burt's** visits to the hospital where they did much rehashing of old West Point days.

And, speaking of hospitals, Edna **Gilbreath,**

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the cemetery you cannot escape this feeling. Standing at the end of the road in the cemetery a bronze fountain honors the memory of Brigadier General Robert Anderson (the first Union hero of the Civil War) and his family. The stone marker on his grave reflects yet another troubled period of history.

Anderson's remains were originally interred in New York City, but in 1872 they were transported secretly to West Point by river steamer. It was a time when efforts were being made to heal the wounds opened by the Civil War, and in order not to rekindle sectional antagonisms, no publicity was given to the funeral at West Point. It was not until 1960 that his memory was saluted at his new gravesite.

No tour of the cemetery grounds is complete without a reflective pause at the graves of our honored professors. Representative of the long line of dedicated men who left their marks on generations of cadets are Charles W. Larned and Wirt Robinson. Larned graduated in 1870 and served on the frontier with the Cavalry for 4 years before returning to West Point. For the next 37 years he was closely associated with the Department of Drawing, 35 of them as its professor and department head.

Wirt Robinson, one of the most-beloved of West Pointers, graduated in 1887, and left for Harvard where he was PMS&T for 4 years before returning to serve for 22 years at West Point, 17 of them as professor and head of the Department of Chemistry, Mineralogy and Geology. He was also an author of textbooks, a naturalist, a humorist, and a gifted teacher.

When Colonel Robinson died, men he had taught as cadets contributed to the installation of a bird bath beside a spring on a hillside south of the Catholic Chapel in his memory.

Robinson left a reputation for being an understanding professor whose classroom visits were even welcomed by the "goats." Can there by any greater tribute?

Hero of El Caney

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to war strength and was sent to the Philippines during the winter. The Santiago Campaign was an Infantry fight, very little Artillery was used. The troops were almost all regular Infantry and dismounted Cavalry.

Roosevelt's 1st Volunteer Cavalry (dismounted) and the 2d Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry and the 71st New York Volunteer Infantry were the only volunteers engaged, and, except for Roosevelt's regiment, were armed with the single-shot, black-powder, Springfield which made their fire ineffective.

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A good many of our officers and a few of the non-coms were Civil War veterans and a tower of strength for keeping up morale.

I may add that there was no ceremony in awarding the Medal. I received mine by mail.

Down the Field

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delphia make 1965 an attractive but difficult grid road to travel.

Counting the first 24 players named, including the two kicking specialists, there are nine First Classmen, eight Second Classmen, and six Third Classmen.

Cross Country

Over on the cross-country course where the harriers run from Howze Field and over the redoubts back of Michie Stadium, prospects look bright. Talent depth, missing for the past several years, is now available, and ARMY won its first five meets.

Victories were scored in single meets with Colgate, Manhattan, and St. John's, and the Cadets went on to win a triangular affair from Fairleigh Dickinson and LeMoyne, and a four-way meet with Rutgers, Providence, and Central Connecticut.

Jim Warner, a Second Classman from Mt. Kisco, N.Y., continues to be ARMY's leader. He's getting some fine support from classmate Bill Pittenger of Akron, Ohio; Steve Berry from Palmer, Alaska; and a quartet of Third Class members: Paul DeCoursey of Monticello, Ind., Greg Camp of McLean, Va., Mark Spelman of North Babylon, N.Y., and Bob McDonald of Springfield, Va.

Syracuse, New York University, and Navy remain on the dual meet program as well as the Heptagonals and the IC4A meets, both to be held in New York City.

Soccer

Coach Joe Palone, who took ARMY to the semi-finals in the NCAA soccer tournament in each of the past two seasons, hopes to go all the way with his 1965 aggregation.

The booters are well into their 11-game schedule with victories over the Merchant Marine Academy, Yale, and Seton Hall in their first three starts.

The attack appears to be strong with lettermen at six of the seven spots, but Coach Palone had some rebuilding to do in his defense. Goalie Frank Kobes, who won awards in soccer, hockey, and lacrosse last season, is back to mind the net along with another veteran, Mike

who in August was in the Seton Hospital in Austin recovering from a critical attack of hepatitis, is now happily back in the Gilbreath home and beginning to be her old self. Fred writes also of his many active duty travels and his present serene home abiding, of his sending to the Assn of Grads the requested data on his life history, and particularly of his finally getting down to his cadet weight. All of which reminds me of that lively period 58 years ago when he, Cupe **Keeley**, Chet **Dickinson**, and I spent our plebe fall in a "barn room" in the 8th Div.

The 1911 classmates and wives of the San Francisco Bay Area, meeting at the **Cowleses'** home in Menlo Park on 19 Aug were pleasantly surprised to meet Bill **Hardigg's** younger son, Jack, who was recently graduated from Georgetown U. This fall he enters the medical school of the U. of Ind. A letter from his mother, Jeanette Hardigg, reports that Bill, the older son, is now a production supervisor at the Monsanto Chem plant near Cincinnati. Jean Brew, the sister, goes in September to Trinity College in Washington.

Dot **Larned** wishes to express her thanks for the lovely flowers sent to West Point for the final services for Tod on 17 June.

A cheery note from Mary **Lawrence** gives the background on Tommy's two sons, Thompson C. and John Biddle. The former, 51, was in the Service from '38, served in the South Pacific and in the Battle of Leyte, reaching the grade of captain. He now teaches math and natural science. John Biddle, 45, was first in his class at Johns Hopkins U. in 1940. He was in the Service from June '41, in the South Pacific with the 25th Div, commanded a battery in the retaking of the Philippines, and was with occupation troops in Japan. He was recalled in '51 and served as a major in Korea. Graduated from the Stanford Law School in '49, he was appointed a municipal judge in San Bernardino, Calif., in '61, which office he still holds.

A recent note from Harriet **Peterson** said that she had not been too well but that Ray is still going to his law office every day. He is now the senior of 40 barristers with his Miami legal firm. Harriet speaks of the **Shekerjians**, Ray and Shek having been plebe roommates at West Point.

On 6 June, Esther and Paul **Reinecke's** son John Philip Reinecke, who had just finished a postgraduate course at Washburn U. in Topeka, was married to Lonna Elaine Harbaugh. On 6 Aug, I received an appreciated LD call from Esther who was then with friends in Glendora, east of Los Angeles. Unfortunately, she was not able to visit this area at that time.

Incoming mail seems unduly light at this time!!

'12

Brig. Gen. B.G. Chynoweth
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Far West Region

There are 22 names on my list for this region. This year we lost Mary **Riley** and Bill **Morrissey** (and just over a year ago, Earl **Paules**). Year by year, the ranks close and the files become less loquacious.

Barbur: In his 78th year, Herb is still active in the insurance business, feeling fine. He reports being thrilled by a West Point Christmas card from d'Alary **Fechet**. Herb and Vesta are planning their autumn vacation viewing some of the grand scenery in the Canadian Rockies.

Barrett: Leonard and Margaret were at home enjoying the California summer. They plan 2 months in Hawaii after December, and will then return for the lovely California springtime. They send greetings to all.

Bennion: Howard and Marian are off on an adventurous voyage through the British Isles, Europe, the Near East, and Egypt. Due to return to Salt Lake City in late autumn.

Chynoweth: Grace and I continue to enjoy our California home. Send greetings to 1912, and to our friends in other classes.

Fechet: From his retreat in Santa Barbara, d'Alary radiates messages of inspiration: "Last February, I found out that I had leukemia. I was quite ill for weeks (5 blood transfusions), but now the disease seems to be arrested, and I am living about as I did before, but perforce more quietly. I can drive my car, do my shopping, garden mildly, and look after my dogs, so I consider that I have had a happy issue from my afflictions. Merry Christmas, old timers, and lots of good fortune for every day of 1966. d'Alary."

Hobson: Mary continues active in house, garden, and hospital work, and, of course, is sought after in Monterey Peninsula society. Last summer she entertained Aunt Polly Hobson from Tennessee. Between times she is still collating Bun's voluminous photos and papers. Sends greetings.

Hocker: Dick reports things about as usual in Tucson. Geoff **Keyes** back from his summer trip. Dick had an attack last November, and has been convalescing since. He says that he is now "trying to learn how to walk again." Sends his best to all.

Keyes: Commenting on my bulletins, Geoff reports that he is not an authority on dogs, but someday he will tell us all about roadrunners. Geoff says that he sees Dick and Marge **Hocker** frequently, and that Dick is amazing in his ability to get around, help himself, and enjoy life in general. "Merry Christmas to all. Geoff."

Lewis: Monk reports that he is "right on top." He gets his exercise by training his pointer for the pheasant season. Sends his greetings to all.

Lindt: John and Patty continue active in Riverside society and civic work, with time for many side trips. John is the ever-faithful and efficient administrator of class finances; always ready to give a helping hand to class projects. Sends greetings.

Mallon: Frank continues active in his lovely San Mateo garden. When he first planned it, he was warned by a retired admiral that it would grow larger each year. "How true!" says Frank.

Morrissey: Charlotte remains in her apartment on Pacific Avenue. She wishes to express her heartfelt thanks for the beautiful floral tributes to "Slats," and for the many thoughtful letters from classmates and widows.

Paules: Lottie is still in her lovely house, but finds it almost too much to maintain. She may have John's family, or Bill's grandchildren, during the Vietnam affair. Reminds her of being left alone for 18 months when Earl was away participating in "the war to end all wars." She sends greetings to 1912.

Phelan: Son, Roger, recently spent a weekend with Alice and Cy after learning of his promotion to brigadier general. Roger also expects promotion to Grandpa, shortly. Alice and Cy are "well and happy—mostly happy." They send greetings.

Read: Burton is hoping for an improvement in vision after his second operation for

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detached retina. Sadie, Burton, and Janet send best greetings to all.

Riley: Mary Ellen Barbieri (Pat's daughter) is caring for seven children while working for her A.B. Frank is temporarily home from Vietnam because of the critical illness of his wife "Sunny."

Wood: "P" reports himself in good health. He and Abigail are home in Reno after a summer in Germany where he attended a reunion of his old division, the 4th Armored.

'13

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Again sad news. Our classmate Hans Robert Wheat **Herwig,** died on Monday, 16 Aug 65, in the Perry Point (Perryville, Md.) VA Hospital. He had been in increasingly poor health for more than 2 years and had been in the hospital since 7 Oct 64. Incidentally, the name "Robert" was originally "Roberdeau." Hans evidently shortened it.

Funeral services, with full military honors, were held in the Fort Myer Chapel on 19 August, followed by burial in Arlington. Honorary pallbearers: **Critt, Davidson, Craig, Viner, Foote,** "Det" Ellis '15, and Maj. Gen. Carl Hardigg, U.S. Army Ret, brother of the late Bill Hardigg '11.

Hans was famous during cadet days for his ability with the broadsword; he captained the class team for 2 years and was manager of the varsity team his first class year. Assigned to the 3d Infantry at Fort Ontario, N.Y., on graduation, he was sent to Fort Logan H. Roots, Ark., in Nov '15, as post CO and QM, its regular garrison having gone to the border. Here he met his bride and here he began flirting with the QMC, transferring thereto in 1921. Served a bit in France (1918-19) as a battalion commander in the 52d Infantry. After the Armistice, GCM duty *in Paris (this must have been hard to take)*, a detail with the Inter-Allied Peace Commission repatriating the Polish army, and then to Coblenz where he was assistant to the Chief QM '21-'22. Afterwards, numerous QM assignments in the U.S., including QM at Fort Belvoir in the late 1930's. He also attended the QM School, Leavenworth, Industrial, and Army War Colleges.

Hans's crowning achievement was his work as QM of the Army Air Forces 1941-45, for which he was awarded the Legion of Merit. He developed an efficient supply system for the AAF. Assigned to the Eighth Army during late 1945, he was made CO of the Tokyo QM Depot after VJ-Day (1945-48), and in 1949 Deputy QM, FEC (MacArthur's Command), from which he retired on 31 Aug 49. He then engaged in export-import business between Japan and the U.S.

Our Hans was born in Yokohama on 25 Aug 1889, being one of three foreign born 1913ers. His father was Lt. Cmdr. Henry Herwig, Engineer Corps, USN. In 1916 Hans married Adelene Moore of Little Rock, Ark. She is probably better known by Hans's pet name for her, "Dugan." Surviving are: his widow: 6702 Hillcrest Place, Chevy Chase, Md. 20015; two daughters: (Betty) Mrs. John D. Brannan of Huntington, L.I., N.Y., and (Virginia) Mrs. John W. Gibbs, 1525 Fort Scott Drive, Arlington, Va.; three grandchildren; a brother, Maj. L.J.H. Herwig of Washington, D.C.; his sister, Mrs. Hildegarde H. Dutton of Upperville, Va., widow of the late Capt. Benjamin Dutton, USN; and a nephew, Richard Wilson Wheat, Lorton, Va.

The sympathy of all classmates, wives, and widows, and of her many other friends goes to "Dugan."

Regret that in the report on Ed **Cain's** death in the Summer 1965 ASSEMBLY I overpopulated him with grandchildren. The correct number is four: two Korens, Cadet H.L.T. Koren Jr., '68, and Virginia Koren, Vassar '69; David Ely Cain, U. of R.I. '68, and Nancy Cain, wife of David P. Pearson of NYC, and a *great-grandchild*, David E. Cain III.

Miriam **Perkins** passed flittingly thru Washington in July en route to her home in Pebble Beach from a wonderful European trip. She was so busy she even failed to report in by phone. But all is forgiven. She sent in a splendid report, alas too long for ASSEMBLY, condensed here with a few quotes. Her trip began at 0800 on 9 April with a TWA flight from San Francisco to Milan and on to Venice "... where I checked in at the Gritti Palace at 5:30 p.m. It still seems like 36 hours to me, although they assure me it is only 13 hours flying time. I had traveled alone to Venice but was to rendezvous the following day with some cousins who had been in Vienna for a week, and with whom I was to continue on a Swan's Hellenic Cruise. At 11 a.m. the telephone woke me—my cousins joyfully announcing 'The sun is shining in Venice. It's been raining for 5 days in Vienna and we intend to celebrate. Meet us at the bar in half an hour.' A very auspicious start, I felt." (Concur!) On 14 April she sailed from Venice, bound for Greece, some of the Aegean Islands, Crete, Istanbul, Izmir, Sardis, Ephesus, more islands, Corfu, Dubrovnik and back to Venice on 29 April.

She rented a Fiat in Venice and drove with the cousins through the Dolomites to Cortina D'Ampezzo, westward through more Alps and the Italian Lakes to Milan, where the man in her party departed for Chicago in order to earn the where-with-all for future trips. Miriam and the Chicagoan's wife flew up to Zurich to meet a Pebble Beach girl and begin another motor trip. A combined guide-interpreter-driver in the person of a young Swiss university student took the wheel and guided the girls around Lake Constance, Oberammergau, Munich, Rothenburg, and Salzburg, thence back to Zurich via Innsbruck, St. Anton, and Lichtenstein. At Zurich the foursome demobilized: the 3-in-1 student to his university, Miriam's cousin to fly to Chicago, and the two Pebble Beachers to fly to Paris for a week. (What a week, say we.) A 4-day bus trip through Holland, thence a flight, Amsterdam to Dublin, rain, and the Lakes of Killarney, where they hove to for 5 days. Then to London for a grand and glorious week: antique dealers' convention at Grosvenor House (Miriam's hotel) and the official celebration of the Queen's Birthday, with all its pomp and pageantry; side trips and so on; all ending with a Pan Am jet flight from London to Kennedy Airport (ex-Idlewild).

Some trip. Complete report in 1913's 1965 Class Christmas Letter of restricted and elite distribution. Better butter up a '13er so you may get to read it. Some of our widows are most up and coming—they MOVE. They can't be beat.

Janet and Bug **Oliver** have been enjoying a grandparents' standard summer: having their children and grandchildren visit them. In July, they had Mary, wife of Dr. Ira W. Gabrielson, and children. Dr. Gabrielson is on the staff of the Yale Medical School. After a weekend visit he left to take a 6-week course in population control at Ann Arbor, Mich. Mary and children returned to New

Spinello, from New London, Conn.

Captain Jim Kriebel from Philadelphia, Tilo Wald from Killeen, Tex., and high-jump star, Karl Kremser, from Levittown, Pa., are the present halfbacks. The attack is manned by Joe Casey from Trenton, N.J., Phil Nelson from Madison, Wis., Hugo Elvir from Honduras, and John Boretti of Medford, Mass. All but Kremser and Nelson are lettermen.

Mike Smith of Salisbury, N.C., is the only veteran on the defensive line, but great things are expected from a pair of newcomers, Al Vitters from Northport, N.Y., and Ed Milinski from Elkland, Pa.

150-Pound Football

The 150-pound football team, defending champions of the Eastern Intercollegiate League, are ready for their six-game schedule that includes Columbia, Navy, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Princeton and Rutgers in that order. The Navy game at Annapolis on October 23, and the finale with Rutgers at New Brunswick, on November 20, promise to be the big games.

Coach Eric Tipton has 20 lettermen back, lacking depth only at the center position. Eight backs and five ends are listed among the returning veterans.

Captain Tom Hayes from Bronxville, N.Y., will lead his team from one of the defensive guard spots. Coach Tipton has split his lettermen, 10 men on the offense and 10 on the defensive units. Quarterback Jim Gleason from Aurora, Ill., and fullback Bill Hixon of Mansfield, Ohio, both all-East selections in 1964 are on the offensive unit, while guard Gary Atkins, from North Tonawanda, N.Y., another 1964 all-East selection joins Hayes on the defensive platoon.

Defensive strength was the key factor last fall as ARMY limited its opponents to 14 points in the six games.

The Sportsletter

The *Army Sportsletter* is now being published and over 700 subscribers are receiving it weekly during the football season and will continue to receive it monthly throughout the rest of the year. Operating as it does on a tight budget, it is hoped that there will be 1,000 subscribers for the 1966 fall season.

The *Sportsletter* not only carries information on all ARMY athletic events but also the details and scores of every contest. In addition, there are lots of names included in it so graduates can become familiar with all of today's ARMY Corps Squad members.

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Haven on 25 July. She's also an M.D., engaged in virus research at Yale Hospital. Rachel, wife of Robert B. Egelston, with her husband and their three children, also arrived in July for a weekend. Then the Egelstons spent a week in New Hampshire. Bob, an economics researcher for a Los Angeles firm, returned to his job while Rachel and the children returned to "Havabrook" for a long visit, ending on 25 Aug 65. Bug and Janet did squeeze in 5 days in the Blue Hills region of Maine, where Janet's sister has a summer home.

Josephine and **Critt** again took a cottage at Rehoboth Beach, Del., for a couple of months, returning in mid-August, which meant they didn't duck some of Washington's worst hot, humid weather. Their two sons, Jack and Critt Jr., visited them with their respective families. Glimpsed Critt recently in the A-N Club, Washington, putting in some final licks toward the election of Sylvanus Thayer to New York University's Hall of Fame.

Joe **Viner** has sold his summer cottage at Bisby Lodge, Thendara, N.Y., in the Adirondack League Park. Dasha and he were busy last summer getting set for the new owner, who took over on 1 Aug 65. Joe is retaining his membership. He came in in 1944, bought in in '45, occupied his camp in '46, rebuilding most of it. Joe bought it from a cousin of Dasha's, a Lieutenant —— (Joe, please write so Scribes may read) who had built it in 1910. He was a WWI casualty. Joe became member manager of the park in '48 and got busy. "We had no roads around the lake or to Little Moose, so I raised money and built them; we had no electricity so I raised more cash and brought electricity in from 14 miles away; also added to the clubhouse. Raised some $80,000. This was the hardest job of all." After 20 summers at Bisby, Joe and Dasha must have some nostalgic nudges in their cardiac fibers, but it's a lot less work for Dasha. Young fawn were hand fed from the back porch, sort of a qualitative garbage "dispose-all." Now, presumably, our Joe is headquartered in one spot—his Virginia Beach home.

Joe **Viner**, owner of an alert news nose, sent in a clipping from a Norfolk paper reporting that: "Douglass Greene of Drexel Hill, Pa., retired from the Army recently as a sergeant, first class. And he promptly became a lieutenant colonel, his Reserve rank. Greene, 41, son of an Army general, the late Maj. Gen. Douglass T. **Greene,** served in two wars. He came out of WWII a first lieutenant, was recalled to active duty for the Korean conflict, and rose to major. When a military cutback came in 1957 he was discharged with 14 years service. 'I realized that with completion of only an additional 6 years, I would be able to retire.' He reenlisted the next day as sergeant. Before his retirement he served as chief of student services at the Army Logistics Management Center, Fort Lee, Va." Best of luck and good wishes to a fine son of '13 from the Class of 1913. This 41-year-old retiree has really only begun to live. (Retiree is a helluva word.)

George **Lovell** has really been overdoing his hard luck. A letter from Marilyn, his daughter, gives the painful details. George has had to give up almost everything. In May 64 he closed out his apartment in Phoenix, drove to Winter Park, Fla., where Marilyn had gotten him an apartment, visited her several times at Cocoa Beach, became ill in July 64, and spent the next 5 months in Orlando AFB Hospital with a complication of ailments. Last November Marilyn moved him next door to her at Cocoa Beach. He became ill again and spent several months in the Patrick AFB Hospital. Finally his doctors, civilian and AF, agreed that hospitals could not help him any more, so Marilyn found a good nursing home in Orlando and moved him there in Jun 65. His address is: Barrington Terrace, 215 Annie Street, Orlando, Fla. Marilyn's address is still his "official address," as she takes care of all his correpondence. George would love to hear from classmates and friends. He cannot write—hands too stiff —but he is up, with therapy and so on. His mind is keen, much interested in baseball and world affairs. Marilyn took a long leave from her missile job at Cape Kennedy so she could look after him. Drives over to see him, a 1-hour jaunt; hopes to return to her job this fall. How fortunate is our "Hard-Luck" Lovell to have such a devoted daughter. Don't forget him. A card and/or a note—repeat dose at intervals.

Pink and Lois **Crane** spent August and some of September at Woods Hole, Mass., a delightful spot enhanced by their presence. Meanwhile their unintegrated Black Angus herd summered at Kingdom Farm.

Monk **Lewis** reports, "All very quiet on '13's western front." Only '13ers he's seen since the party for the **Corletts** (see summer 1965 ASSEMBLY) were the **Van Vokenburghs.** George **Sliney** recently returned (mid-August) from a month's camping-fishing-hunting pack-trip with his grandson in his old stamping grounds, the mountains of Wyoming. No details; Monk hasn't been able to raise George on the phone. "That guy seems never to be home." We wonder what he's up to. Anyway, it's not our business. Remember the XIth Commandment: MYOB.

Sra. Blance Alfaro, widow of Colon **Alfaro,** is enjoying wonderful health in Panama, R. de P. She lives with son Jaime Eduardo Alfaro '39 and his family, and is near all three of her sons and 11 grandchildren, which, according to Olmedo Alfaro '42, keeps her busy. The third son, Eloy '39, also lives in Panama.

Si **Newcomer** located Edith **Nicholas,** Nick's widow, by RPB (recon by phone book). She has moved; now lives at 102B Tanglebriar Lane, San Antonio, Tex. We hope to make her an active 1913 widow, one who reports in via our Christmas Letter, and maybe in between times.

So many of us had not seen Louis **Craig** for so long, until Hans **Herwig's** funeral, that some had almost forgotten just what he looked like, since we seem to see him only at funerals. Why so shy, O Louis? How about appearing at a class lunch soon? Everyone would really welcome you, even to buying your lunch and your drink(s).

Tex **Davidson's** family had a big reception for him on 15 Sept, his LXXVth B.D. Black tie. Details later, maybe.

Dorothy **Young** summered at "Shiningwood," Hague, N.Y., her longtime cooling-off spot near the deep and quiet end of Lake George.

The DC Det's class lunches continued through the summer, even with reduced ranks, but enhanced by Maxwell's ('12) cheerful presence, plus some of Navy '13, but no visiting classmates. Our September lunch was unusually remarkable. For the first time in history, Navy paid for all the drinks. What's more, the well-trained A-N Club dice elected Paul Sleeper the victim for both rounds. Many thanks, Paul. Present: Edgerton '08, Maxwell '12, Helmick and Sleeper of N'13, **Davidson, Johnson,** and **Foote.**

'14

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Nothing that I can recall has stunned and saddened me more than the totally unexpected news of the passing of Ralph **Royce.** He died at the Homestead AFB Hospital, Fla., on 7 August from leukemia, after being in the hospital for 3 months. In a letter from Agnes Royce to Jim **Cress,** of which I have a copy, she wrote that if anyone cares to do so, it would be appreciated if a contribution, in memory of Ralph, were sent to: The Haemotology Research Fund, Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, Ill. 60611, Attention: Dr. Howard L. Alt.

As we all know, Ralph had a very distinguished career in the Army Air Corps and the Air Force. He took part in many combat air operations in the punitive expedition in Mexico and in World War I, and in both the Pacific and European Theatres in World War II. He completed his career as commanding general of the First Tactical Air Force in France.

As for those of 1914 who survive him, we will remember Ralph as a friendly and warm-hearted classmate, who was very proud of being a member of the Class. We shall all miss him, and mourn his loss.

Without doubt, 1965 has been a happy and eventful year for Jens and Betty **Doe,** and especially for their beautiful and charming daughter Camilla.

Thru the cooperative action of the Rotary Clubs of Monterey, Calif., and Tainan, Island of Taiwan, these two cities became "Sister" cities. Camilla had spent 2 years teaching in the American High School in Taipei, Taiwan, and had many friends in Taiwan. She was chosen to make a visit to Tainan, accompanied by her mother Betty Doe, as the good-will emissaries of Monterey's sister-city committee, for the purpose of cementing the ties between the two cities. The trip was made in March 1965.

Camilla took with her, from Mayor George Clemens of Monterey, a symbolic key to the City of Monterey with an inscription noting that Monterey was the first capital of California, and a book of pictures and descriptions of Monterey. From all accounts it was a wonderful trip, highlighted by 5 days and nights of marvelous hospitality including the official ceremony uniting the two cities, band concerts, banquets, luncheons, sightseeing trips, etc. Mayor Yey Ting Kwei of Tainan reciprocated by sending to Mayor Clemens of Monterey a symbolic key to Tainan carrying the inscription "First capital of Taiwan, 1661." Camilla also brought to Monterey an olive-green Ming vase, a priceless piece of Chinese porcelain at least 400 years old, as a gift to Monterey from its sister city of Tainan.

Another event of even more joy and significance to Jens, Betty, and Camilla **Doe** was Camilla's marriage on 14 August to Lt. Paul Thomas Converse, U.S. Navy. The wedding ceremony was at All Saints' Episcopal Church of Carmel, Calif., and was attended by about 200 members of the two families and friends, including Jim and Eleanor **Cress,** and Bill and Mary **Ryan.** It was followed by a beautiful reception at the Officers Club of the Presidio of Monterey. Lt. Converse is a 1959 graduate of the Naval Academy, and this year graduated from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey. His ship's home port is Alameda, Calif., so the Converses are living at 777 Taylor St. in Alameda. 1914 joins in wishing the young couple many years of future happiness.

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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.

There. I have given the essential details about Camilla's wedding. However, I would like to quote the following from a letter from Mary **Ryan** to Amy **Rees** which is worth repeating;

"The **Doe** wedding was a delightful class event. Betty is a perfectionist in her planning, and there was not an overlooked detail in making it outstanding. Camilla was a storybook bride as she went up the aisle on Jens's arm. I have not asked Betty where the lace came from, but it was exquisite. Jens had been far from well all spring, and finally had cataract operations on both eyes. His legs have given him so much pain that we felt that his courage and determination matched the beauty of the bride. He never looked better or prouder."

Now that over 51 years have rolled by since we graduated, Golden Wedding Anniversaries are beginning to be celebrated by the couples lucky enough to still have each other. The Fritz **Forbeses** celebrated theirs in the latter part of August. Jim and Eleanor **Cress** and Bill and Mary **Ryan** attended for 1914. In Mary Ryan's letter, to which I have already referred, she described the event. Here is her account:

"Two weeks ago we went up to Los Gatos to the Fritz **Forbeses'** Golden Wedding party. We were invited to the home of Chatham Forbes, their second son, and his family, where we were greeted by an amazingly young and radiant Eleanor, surrounded by four of the handsomest, successful sons I have seen. Their wives were so attractive, and there were so many grandchildren I lost count of them. Fritz is very, very frail; however, his being able to attend the party at all was more than they had expected, one of his sons told me. Eleanor is amazing, both in her looks and activities. They have their own home not far from Chatham's. It was a gay, lovely party with old friends dropping in; lots of champagne, delicious refreshments and a beautiful wedding cake. The boys are all so dear and affectionate with their parents it added a glow to a sentimental occasion."

Earll and I also celebrated our Golden Wedding Anniversary this year, and it brought a deep joy and happiness to our entire family which we will never forget. The actual wedding date was 8 September but due to the beginning of school about that time and our hoping to see as many of our eight grandchildren as possible, we moved the date of observance up to the latter part of July. What pleased us most of all was each of our four children came, from such faraway places as Mill Valley, Calif., Phoenix, Virginia Beach, Va., and Carlisle Barracks, Pa.; and they were accompanied by other members of their families. The family members, who arrived at various times by plane, automobile, or train totaled 13, including 5 grandchildren, and our one and only great-granddaughter, just 4 months old.

Our celebration really lasted a number of days because there was so much lost time to be made up, so much to be talked about, so many dear memories of the past to recall and relive. The actual anniversary celebration was at the Fort Sam Houston Officers Club and was attended, in addition to the entire **Carruth** clan, by many old and close friends. We were sorry that some could not be present because they were on vacations.

Anyhow, it was a grand and heartwarming celebration, that we shall never forget.

Skimp **Brand** writes that Charlie and Ella **Gross** visited Washington in the latter part of August and he (Skimp) arranged a class dinner for them. In addition to the Brands and Grosses, of course, others who attended were Dabney and Betty **Elliott**, Arthur and Helen **Harris**, Hal and Grace **Ingles**, Loomie and Dessie **Loomis**, and Tooey and Ruth **Spaatz**. The **Holcombes** were vacationing at Rehoboth Beach or thereabouts.

'15

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First, I would like to express my sincere thanks to that modern George Ade, Hume **Peabody**, for having taken over so "adely" as class Scribe while I was in Mexico last winter and again (much to my chagrin) during our 50th Reunion when I was incapacitated.

Next, I would like to thank all you nice guys who wrote me letters and get-well cards. Even though I bragged to my doctors and pretty nurses that I was "a small potato but hard to peel," your affectionate good wishes did much to bolster my morale. I am happy to report that I am again tiptop, and can put in a good day's hard work in my garden without inconvenience. I have regained my lost 20 pounds and feel in the pink of old age. Having given you news of my favorite person, I shall now do the same for the classmates.

From Hume came these few items which he received too late to include in the summer number of ASSEMBLY: (a) From the *N.Y. Times*: "Present for graduation ceremonies in the Academy's Michie Stadium was retired Gen. James A. **Van Fleet** who presented a diploma to his grandson, Joseph A. McChristian Jr., of Honolulu." (b) A grandson of Charles **Benedict's** and a grandson of Don **Davison's** entered West Point with the plebe class on 1 July. (c) Laura and Det **Ellis**, assisted by many classmates, wives, widows, and a few of the younger generations, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a cocktail-buffet party at the Army-Navy Club in Washington on Tuesday, 15 June. (You mean those old people drink?) Betty and Walt **Hess** and Midge and Bob **Strong** soon followed suit. (May the good Lord grant you wonderful people many more years of connubial bliss.)

Other news: Our efficient treasurer was reelected by acclamation at our class meeting. He said he tried to discourage the electorate by immediately dunning everyone for their annual dues, but the voters stood firm. It's a real victory for the Class because no one is more opposed to deficit financing than "our John." He reports that the Class raised $6,180 for the Supe's Fund. Freddy presented a check in this amount to the Supe at the Alumni Luncheon.

An observant classmate sent in this comment on the Reunion: "The class dinner Monday night gave us a chance to review the proceedings with each other. The inevitable superlatives came up: youngest looking, Mason **Young**; most raucous, John **Leonard** and Blister **Evans**; quietest, Mason Young; most impressive sights, the dignified gray beard of **Price** E.M. (he looks like a senator, circa 1900) and the accumulated girth of Charlie **Busbee**."

Under date of 14 June, Jody **Haw** writes from R.M.S. *Queen Mary*: "The 1915 reunion was wonderful. Ria and I are disembarking in England tomorrow for 6 weeks on the continent." (Don't newlyweds have fun!)

Old man **Strong** (he's been married 50 years, you know), expressing regret that Mac and I missed the reunion, cheers us up with: "There's one consolation, Johnny, we'll all be together at our 100th;" no foolin' about that. (Bob did not mention the locale.) The Strongs are home again after completing about 10,000 miles of driving. Bob says he's pulling weeds in his garden and adds: "I shall continue to do so until the 'Great Society' passes a bill to finance a new welfare program called 'Volunteers to weed other people's gardens.'" (Exciting age we're living in, gents).

Reinold **Melberg**, who joined the swelling ranks of the cardiac club some time ago, must be feeling quite chipper, thank heaven, because on the way to the 50th he and Germaine visited their daughter and her husband at Homestead AFB, Fla. While there they called on the Gibby **Gibsons**. Reinold says: "Gibby looked well, but two recent operations apparently hadn't put him in shape to stand the rigors of June Week." (Amen, brother.)

Blister **Evans**, the reported raucous classmate at the reunion, states: "The class shylocks on the reunion committee charged so much for drinks that the class treasury must be overflowing (with drinks or mazuma, Bliss?), all of which I predicted and all of which predictions were ignored, as usual. Anyhow, you now should be able to charge a higher fee for your bull—which we hope you will soon resume throwing." (Do you call this elegant English "BULL," my good man? What a stinking name for what "P" Holt would call a striking illustration of unity, coherence, and emphasis.)

Tenney kindly sent me the booklet which contains extracts from the "Compilation of Records of the Class of 1915 USMA." I understand he sent these to: classmates who didn't make the reunion; widows who also didn't make it; and survivors of deceased classmates who sent in data about their sires and thus enabled the preparation of biographies for the compilation. This was a generous and thoughtful gesture. I'm sure all who received this inspiring booklet, so intelligently conceived and beautifully written, are thankful to Clesen for his superb accomplishment and unselfish devotion to 1915. Anyone (including widows) who has not received a copy of the booklet and who wants one should write to Tenney, 2020 Rose Lane, Las Cruces, N. Mex., and as long as the supply holds out, he will be glad to send them a copy (this last is on Clesen's request).

LC **Davidson**, one of the new members of the McMillan Club, reports operation successful—no cancer. (Congratulations, LC.)

Postal card from Tom **Larkin** to Det: "Saw Dublin Horseshow. Very good and well put on. U.S. entered no team this year, but one U.S. rider took top honors. Plan to leave here about 20 Sept for London and arrive DC about 10 Oct. Best to all classmates."

And that, mates, wraps it up for the fall of 1965. I am grateful to a merciful Providence that I can once again recount the facts and foibles of the great Class of 1915. *Que Deu vous benissent.*

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Stanley **Reinhart** was in Washington, D.C., for a few days in August attending the reunion of the 65th Div, the outfit that he commanded in WWII. Our 50th Reunion will be a double event for him, as he and Jeannette are looking forward to a family gathering at West Point next June. Their son Stanley Jr., now finishing his work for his Ph.D. at Georgia Tech, has been named Permanent Associate Professor in the Department of Electricity at USMA, and the Reinharts' daughter Virginia plans to come down from Toronto at the time of our reunion, accompanied by her husband and their children. If they are all able to make it, Stanley says it will be the first time all seven of the grandchidren have been together.

Ray and Marjorie **Moses** spent the summer in Europe. They landed at Rotterdam after a stop at Le Havre. Ray was on deck at 6 a.m. as their ship passed the Hook of Holland. After a short stay in Amsterdam and in Paris, he and Marjorie spent 30 days in England and Scotland. They visited their son who lives 12 miles from London. Returning home, they sailed on a Canadian Pacific steamer to Montreal and from there motored to Sandwich. Ray writes that it was a grand trip except for 9 days that Marjorie spent in an AF hospital in England, suffering from an attack of pneumonia. Ray says that the Air Force gave her fine attention and treatment.

A summer trip to Europe has almost become an annual event for the Maurice **Millers.** This year's was their fourth, I believe. They visited their son who is commanding the South Bavarian District in Germany. There Maurice says he did some mountain climbing—by cog train. While there he bought a car, and he and Nola motored from Bavaria to Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Cologne, Wiesbaden, Coblenz, Nuremberg, Munich, and Augsburg. As all the Atlantic transports had been transferred to the Pacific, when the Millers returned to the U.S.A., they had to come home by commercial liner from Bremerhaven to New York.

Doug and Alma **Page** planned to leave San Antonio in late September to visit their married daughter, Blanche, and her family in Massachusetts. Later they will go on a Mediterranean cruise before returning home. Bill **Spence's** wife "Boots" was at Fort Leavenworth last summer where she helped their son Craige and his family get settled. The Newgardens' son, Lt. Col. George Newgarden III, paid them a visit in San Antonio last summer. He has recently retired and plans to settle in Corpus Christi. Pat **Flanigen** in Athens, Ga., says he is a little off the beaten track, but he hears from **Blankenship** and **Pickering** in Atlanta. Pick planned to attend the ARMY-Tennessee football game this fall.

Tom **Martin** wrote that he and Jack **Fraser** were the only classmates in Tucson this year and that he had not seen Jack for some time. In fact, the last contact he had with a classmate was a telephone call last spring from Spence **Merrell** who was stopping over in Phoenix at the time. Tom was shocked to read of Spence's death in St. Louis a few weeks later. Tom says his daughter Cynthia's husband, Maj. Gen. Cone, has been assigned to command the installation at White Sands, N. Mex. Tom's son Samuel, now a Lt Col, is in charge of an advisory team in Vietnam. Tom's oldest son, Thomas, is Dean of Engineering at the U. of Fla., and his third son, Michael, has been promoted to associate professor of chemistry at the U. of Mich.

The **Gallaghers'** daughter Mimi and her husband Clark White and their four children came from Utah last summer to visit Ferdie and Helen in Washington for a month. It was a lovely—and lively—time for them all, including the Gallaghers' other two daughters and their families who live in Washington. The **Pricketts'** No. 1 daughter Peggy and her family are now in Korea, and her husband Frank Miller has recently been promoted to Brig Gen. Fay and Peggy Sr., spent a week in Maine last summer. Back in Washington, they no sooner had caught their breath than they were off for Michigan where they spent a pleasant and relaxing week's vacation "contemplating the St. Claire River." Back home again, they are planning to go up to West Point for Homecoming Week in October.

Bob **Whitson** writes that Edith **Bolton** fell and broke her right hip during the summer. However, it was not a bad break and she is making a good recovery. Pet **Wales,** we are sorry to hear, was less fortunate. She also broke her hip but so badly that the doctors could not operate, but placed her in traction with the hope that the bone will knit in time. In September, Edith and Pet both were in Brooke Army Hospital. Anne **Andrew** says it is doubtful if she will be able to attend the reunion in June, as she has not been too well for several months and must restrict her activities. Margaret **Blanks** is now located in Resida in southern California. She sends best wishes to all the Class but does not think she will be able to attend our reunion next June. Helen **Inglis** has been teaching English since last February at a women's college in Kyoto, Japan.

Holland and Marian **Robb** are leaving for the Far East this fall and will be gone all winter, but expect to return in time for our reunion in June. Leslie **Saul** says that his home in Charleston seems to be off the beaten track for classmates. He has seen only three since his retirement in 1933. However, he expects to be at West Point next June and will see us there.

The Stanley **Scotts** have had visiting grandchildren with them all summer but that has not prevented Stanley from working like a beaver on his job as chairman of our reunion committee. You can rest assured that everything is being done to make our 50th a huge success.

APR '17

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While Whit was "out golfing with his usual foursome," Salome **Whitcomb** took time to write us a report of their doings down in Lima, Peru. She writes: "We are always keenly interested in the news of our Class, so we hope our fellow classmates will be as interested in reading our news, as we are in reading theirs!

"We have just returned from a 3-month trip to the States and Europe. Visited our son Dr. John C. Whitcomb Jr., his wife, and the four fast-growing grandchildren—the oldest is nine years old—living in Winona Lake, Ind. We flew from Chicago to Dublin, where we spent Easter; then went down to Lake Killarney before flying to London. We took an apartment there, making it headquarters while we visited other parts of England. We found the English countryside certainly living up to its famous and well-deserved reputation for springtime beauty!

"Sailed for Peru from Amsterdam, Holland, on a Dutch cargo ship of the Royal Netherlands Steamship Co., our third trip on these ships, which we recommend for excellent service and cleanliness. We had a wonderful 4 weeks of sea gazing, with perfect weather. Now we are getting back into the routine of Lima life, which we've been enjoying for nearly 17 years. We are hoping our excellent state of health, for which we are so grateful, will continue so we'll be on hand for that 50th graduation celebration at West Point in 1967!

"Whit enjoyed a brief visit with Joe **Collins** when he stopped off here a few months ago, and we are still remembering how pleasant and interesting it was to have had Matt **Ridgway** here in Lima with us for a few days. Should the travels of any of you '17ers bring you to Peru, please remember that we would be delighted to see you and give you an idea of why we are enjoying life so much in Lima."

The class luncheon in the Washington area on 20 April (now belatedly reported) was a great success, and the fact that Bertha and Doc **Johnson** drove up all the way from St. Petersburg, Fla., to be there added greatly to the festivity of the occasion. The **Whitcombs** planned to be there but had to cancel at the last moment.

Our enterprising Kewp **Yuill** spent 2 weeks in Michigan last summer, checking on his timber land. He said he found a lot of pine needles up there. How many, Kewp?

Through Bill **Heavey** (he and Jule recently returned from a European trip) we learned that Jack **Nygaard** left West Point on 1 Sept to visit Chicago and St. Paul, where he expected to see Frank **Markoe.** Jack planned to return to Cullum Hall to spend his 8th full season on the West Point football rooters' team.

We are indebted to Charlie **Gerhardt** for some interesting news from Florida. The first concerns Alice and Bill **McMahon's** daughter Alice. She is now vice president of the National Young Democrats and will be the next president. Last summer she was one of 20 U.S. delegates, including 10 Young Democrats and 10 Young Republicans—and the only woman—chosen to attend the Fourth Atlantic Conference of Young Political Leaders, at Oxford, England, and the NATO Study Tour to Brussels, Paris, and West Germany, sponsored by the Atlantic Council of the United States and the Ford Foundation.

A second one of our class daughters made national news when Cheryl **Holdridge** married "dime-store heir" Lance Reventlow, the son of Barbara Hutton Champacak, at Westwood Methodist Community Church in Westwood, Calif.

Charlie's next Florida item was about Bill **Harrison.** Bill does a lot of traveling to attend church conferences, his primary interests being the Bible and Christian faith. He is publishing a book on the Bible.

Dorothy and Lawrence **Mitchell's** daughter Mrs. Swayne Luther, and her family, who live in Santo Domingo, were rescued by Army Airborne troops during the recent rebellion. They report things quieter there now.

Huyler and Bob **Kunz** plan to stay in Ormond Beach, Fla., indefinitely. Bob says, It's healthful, invigorating living, with enough climatic variety to make it enjoyable winter and summer."

In our first news of Ruth and Scott **Ritchie** for a number of years, he writes: "We purchased our present home in Tavares, Fla., in

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You know where **We** are, but
We don't always know where **You** are.
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1959, and since that time have been seeing Florida first, the land of lakes and citrus groves, and leading a quiet life because of my poor physical condition. Ruth and I spent Easter with my daughter and her family at Leonardtown, Ind., but it took me a month to recuperate on returning home. We would be very happy to see any classmates and families coming this way. Tavares is a small town. The postmaster can direct them to our place."

From Siesta Key, south of Sarasota, Jack **Stewart** writes: "Jean and I seem to be holding our own. We devote some time to politics—a great deal of time to Project Alert—and in the time we have left we try to enjoy life as much as we can in these troubled times." Jack is still in the real estate business. Both their boys are overseas. The younger is with the Iranian Army, and the older has a battalion of the 94th Field Artillery in Germany. Both are Lt Cols and, between them, they have eight children.

Of their trip to Europe, Charlie **Gerhardt** writes: "Nina and I had a great trip to France, Germany, and Austria from 16 July to 17 Aug, by air. We visited our daughter Mrs. J.T. Kennedy and her family, revisited Omaha Beach, and found myself in the museum. The grandchildren were impressed. We also visited Julich, Germany, where I returned a war relic, the key to the city, dated 1804. (We took the place early one morning in Feb 1945.) There was quite a ceremony, reported by *Stars and Stripes* and the German press. I received a plaque from the city."

Charlie enclosed a clipping with a picture of himself, Charles Jr., and Charles III, taken while the younger Gerhardts were visiting Nina and Charlie this summer. In the picture Charles III, is wearing a replica of a military jacket of the Spanish-American War, made for Charlie in 1903 by a tailor of the 8th Division at Fort Harrison, Wyo., and subsequently worn by Charles Jr., and now by Charles III. Charlie plays golf regularly, and casually mentioned that he recently made a hole-in-one!

Classmates and other friends of Johnny **Devine** will be delighted to learn that a painting of him is now hanging in the Hall of Fame in the Patton Museum at Fort Knox, Ky. The painting was presented by the 8th Armored Division Association on 3 July 65 at a ceremony in the museum at Fort Knox, and it was accepted by Maj. Gen. Andrew J. Boyle, Commanding General of Fort Knox. Gen. Devine commanded the 8th Armored Division during World War II. We are indebted for this information to Brig. Gen. Charles F. Colson Nov '18, who was Gen. Devine's Asst Division Commander.

"Corp" **Warner** writes, "Almira and I kept active this summer checking up on our four grandchildren, two in Denver, Colo., and two in Greenfield, Ind. We usually make the trip by auto and include several side trips. I get down to West Point, 50 miles south, several times a year. The building program is in full swing and there have been many changes. In spite of many additions and subtractions of buildings, the place always looks familiar."

We were saddened to learn of the death on 26 June of our classmate Charles D. **Lewis**, at Cleveland, Ohio. His widow Gladys plans to continue living in the family home at Hudson, Ohio. Many of you know Charles's brother, Brig. Gen. Burton O. Lewis, who lives at 4201 Mass. Ave., Washington, D.C.

It is our sad duty also to report the death of another classmate, Arthur E. **Burnap**. Arthur's home was in Raleigh, N.C., but he died suddenly of a heart attack while he was visiting friends in Connecticut.

AUG '17

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We begin on a sad note. Luff **Meredith** died in Brownsville, Tex., on 25 June. His funeral was held 3 days later at West Point. Dutch **Gerhardt** and Bob **Hoffman** represented the Class at the final rites. However, we can feel that Luff has not wholly left us; Dutch Gerhardt reports that Luff's son, our Class Baby, is an almost exact image of Luff as a cadet. Our sympathy for the family is sincere.

Another note on the unhappy side but with a happier termination concerns Ter Bush **Bissell**. Apparently he and Vada overdid it when they entertained Bill and Toodles **Chapman** at dinner. A few days later he broke into the hospital at Ord. The complaint must have been ephemeral, for when Ynez **Wilson** visited him in the hospital, he was champing at the bit to get out.

Ynez had probably been released temporarily from duty as chatelaine of Rancho Chupinos to help combat a canard printed by the Monterey paper. A news item therein pictured an artifact "plowed up by Colonel Wilson on his ranch." Willie wishes it distinctly understood that he is not one of those whose "plow the stubborn glebe has broke." He is a modern Laban, tending flocks and very busy, he says, with the stock, maintenance problems, and just plain chores. Digging up artifacts of bygone days is the work of a class in anthropology to whom he has made available the underground wealth of his ranch.

In Washington the news is mostly good. Dorothy **Huff** had a fire while she was out of the house, but alert neighbors managed to confine the fire to one room. Of course, there was smoke damage all over the house, so Dorothy is busy with painters and repairmen. Leo **Conner** went to the convention of the 1st Armd Div in Pittsburgh on 22 August. While there he turned in his suit as secretary. (How will Leo fill the long days now?) Marjorie **Hasbrouck** has at last been relieved of the pound and a half of metal which she had to carry around to protect her hip while it was healing. Eager beavers who made all three of the June, July, and August luncheons were: **Durfee, Warner, Jones,** and **Reeder.** The non-regulars were: (in June) Conner, **Wagner,** and Fred **Sharp III;** (in July) Conner, **Griffith,** and Hasbrouck. August brought a delightful surprise: Joe **Cohen** came over from Baltimore. He looked fit and happy. **Llewellyn** was also on tap in August. Red Durfee wears a broad grin because of donations to the class fund from: **Bacon, Bellinger,** Cohen, **Custis, Faust, Futch, Gantt, Hirsch, Jenna, Ringsdorf, Snell, Warner,** and **Wilson** W.I.

Your Scribe is also grateful because out-of-towners generally write a cover letter when making donations. Thus is generated news for this column. One last Washington item: your Scribe foreswore the title of Class Widower, but he feels unique in another sense. In spite of his advanced age and violation of the respect due a grandfather, he recently served a 2-week hitch as full-time cook and part-time baby sitter with his son and the lad's family. While he (your Scribe) got a very nice chit as a result, he does not intend to advertise his services.

His employers allowed him some hours off in the afternoons which enabled him to see friends. Top rating among them, of course, went to the **Gerhardts.** They have the secret of perennial youth. When Teddy sallies forth unaccompanied, she must elicit wolf whistles, and Dutch could pick up change posing for Men of Distinction. In June they had attended exercises at St. Lawrence U. where they witnessed the "recognition" of their younger son, Rolfe, in the Universalist-Unitarian ministry and also his receipt of the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. He was to become minister of the First Universalist Church of Pittsfield, Maine, in August and was to be ordained there the first Sunday in October.

Our reunion—I mean the 50th—is causing furrows in the brows of us Washingtonians. Not the least of our troubles is that the strong arm of our honorary classmate, John **Martin,** will not be available at Bear Mountain. John is leaving the Inn at the end of October; he is building his own establishment in Nyack. We all wish him the best of luck.

While awaiting the 50th, there is an important date you should try to make, our coed luncheon on 11 November. Lots of nearby folk can get there if they put their minds to it. Of course, distant ones are even more welcome. Perhaps the occasion will be enlivened by Skinny **Sharp's** presence to exhibit the two HUGE salmon he recently caught in Norway.

You will be happy to know that Louie **Snell** is now a member of the Assn of Grads. Louie is really Lewis E. Snell, state's attorney, Lamoille County, Vt. If you get a traffic ticket in Vermont, be sure to call him up.

Ted **Futch** reports from Camp Hill, Ala., where he is still commandant of the Lyman Ward Military Academy. With him are Peg, their daughter Katy, and granddaughter Peggy. The rest of the family is scattered: Chinky lives in Tarrytown, N.Y., with her two sons; David earned his Ph.D. in genetics last year at the U. of Texas and is now a highbrow researcher, working for Cal Tech (not to be confused with CalTex); Ellen, who married the now Maj. F.C. Turner, is back from Berlin and scheduled for Leavenworth and then Fort Hood. Ted says he plays some bridge in Auburn and Opelika. Unless his game has fallen off, he should be earning some taxable income therefrom.

Rachel and Henry **Gantt** took a run over to Europe. Their tour was the more interesting because of having daughters here and there in Europe. The husband of one is a professor at the U. of Sussex; the other is married to a chemical engineer who was temporarily in Holland on behalf of Standard Oil. Henry's interest in life led him to attend a class over there and to compare what he witnessed with what he saw in a visit to Hopkins where his youngest daughter took her M.A. last June.

"The contrast in physical appearance was very marked. I don't believe any of the Sussex students, boys or girls, had had a haircut or shave (Scribe's Note: Girls are not expected to shave, Henry) during the calendar year 1965, whereas most of the Hopkins

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students looked about normal." Your Scribe made the brilliant discovery that, en route from Washington to Fort Monroe, it was easy to stop and see the **Gantts.** They have a gorgeous house which I took to be ancestral, passed down to Henry through a long succession of squires, but it is actually a modern copy of an older house. Anyway, it is lovely and is perfectly sited behind a magnificent lawn overlooking the river. Henry's chief preoccupation is with a dozen wild ducks which he feeds and endeavors to protect from the teeming predators of the region. After many frustrations, Henry has a brood of ducklings coming along. If suitable custodial arrangements can be made, the Gantts will be at the Armistice Day luncheon. Rachel and I exchanged recipes; her gift to me was an easy one to do, suitable for an aging widower.

Doc **Faust** and Mimi are in France to enjoy themselves and to illustrate how earlier generations of French spoke the language properly. Aside from 8 weeks to be spent in Paris renewing culture through theaters, concerts, sports events, and art galleries, the time from March to October was to be spent in gazing at the blue Mediterranean from Beaulieu. Doc frequents the Mont Agel Golf Club above Monte Carlo and claims to make an occasional 72 on the course. He lauds the spectacular beauty of the course but fails to mention the convenient bars which I remember as a feature of golf there 46 years ago. Time has gradually edged Mimi and Doc away from the tennis courts into the stands. Seated there they were alarmed to find that the finals of the first big European tournament were between the Czechs and the Hungarians.

Deedee and George **Hirsch** did not revise their opinion of Hawaii as a result of their trip to New Zealand and Australia. What led them to leave their bower of beauty and happiness was an interesting project of their daughter and son-in-law. The latter built and launched in Auckland a boat of reinforced ferro-cement to replace one that they had earlier lost on an uncharted reef in the Tuamotos. The *Awahnee* is now on her way to Fiji, Darwin, Durban, England, Norway, the U.S., and, finally, Hawaii. Writing this makes me conscious of what a conservative lot we of Aug '17 were (and are?). George's other son is a fighter pilot in England. The Hirsches report "scarcely a pain or even discomfort ever."

Our faithful correspondent, Bill **Chapman,** passes along news that Paul and Laura **Cole** plan to visit Europe this fall. Mildred **Stembridge** is transferring her activities to the Music Therapy Department of the Georgia State Hospital. She and Roger had lived there earlier when Roger had a position with the hospital. Meanwhile, Roger Jr., is beginning his senior year (high school) at Georgia Military College, which Roger Sr., once attended, and Katherine will enter the Woman's College of Georgia.

And so we come to biographies. Being simultaneously the gatherer of such and your Scribe, I feel that I have some of the powers of blackmail which Colonel Mann had when he published "Town Topics." Last issue I promised (threatened) to excoriate some member of the Class who is delinquent in this matter. This gentle reminder, coupled with a flattering reference to his literary ability, brought a biography from Jack **Johnson.** My words about his writing proved to have been not flattery but truth. Years of idleness have not blunted the sharp point of his pen. His biography was a delight to read. Since Jack's was the sole response to my clarion call, it now becomes my melancholy duty to castigate a laggard.

Our Peerless Leader, Abou Biff **Jones,** avoided ignominy by having his in the mail to me as I type these lines. I had read him last week what I proposed to say. Lucky **Custis** has tried to ward off criticism by writing, "Sometime ago (maybe a couple of years) I sent a life story of my Army career to someone up there for something." Must have been in answer to a call from the Internal Revenue Service. I haven't got a copy. I'll expect a biography soon. Lucky says I can't spell his name. Yes I can, and I can spell "cook" too, but I am not the one who cuts stencils for the newsletter.

Let's call upon the most reponsible members of our Class, those who were singled out to be generals. They should have more to write about than average. Before getting down to brass tacks let us condemn them as a group; scurrilous attacks on individuals can follow later. So let's have a biography from each of: **Bissell, Buechler, Cowles, Futch, Harding, Hasbrouck, House, Kernan,** and **Meade.**

Bob **Bacon** has suggested that the class fund buy Biff an electric typewriter to help him in the manifold chores which he performs for the Class. I second the motion but would like to amend it to include a short course in touch typing for senior citizens.

JUN '18

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I start our column with an appeal from Growley **Gruhn.** At our last (45th) reunion it was decided that all of our ex-classmates should be invited to our 50th Reunion. These include the turnbacks, to and from. Growley was given the job of locating them. If any classmate has a good contact with the Social Security Admin., who could help locate the ex's from the agency files, get in touch with Growley. He needs your help. The **Barths, Rundells,** and Lane **Holman** stopped off at Cornwall last summer to visit the Gruhns.

After finishing his draft of Lloyd **Mielenz's** memorial during his short school vacation, Heinie and Adelaide **Baish** made a quick August trip to West Point and vicinity for 2 weeks. Heinie is now busy at his teaching. Daughter Olivia, after completing her first year of teaching English at Kensington (Md.) Senior High School, spent the summer working in Washington and is now back at her second year of teaching. Son Frank '50 graduated from C&GSC at Leavenworth and is now in Korea. His wife and seven children are living in San Antonio during his 13-month hardship tour in Korea.

A very complete 201 record accompanied Milo **Barragan's** newsy letter. He and Betty are recapturing a little of their youth by babysitting their 2-year-old grandson. A short outing to the Ozark Lakes, Mo., with Cora and Charlie Moore Nov '18 was followed by a trip to Colorado Springs. Then Milo returned to his teaching at St. Mary's U. He claims this may be his last year at it.

The **Barrigers** spent a month at Lake Kenka. Visited with Mildred Pratt (widow of **Davis** W.W.), beautiful as ever, and remarried to a great fellow. They also spent a weekend with Boyd and Marjorie Fitzpatrick Nov '18. Lovely people, lovely time, writes Bill. Boyd is the publisher of the Olean *Times-Herald* and a leading citizen of Olean, N.Y. Bill reported that Lane **Holman** was in Washington visiting his daughter Dr. Mary Unger who teaches economics at Georgetown U. Lane attended the class luncheon, and Bill says that, while he hates to admit it, Lane's Lincoln Continental has a better air-conditioner than his plebian Pontiac.

The **Bishops** report another grandson on 25 June. The count now stands at two boys and one girl. Bob also sent me the brief data on Treasurer Tom **Kern's** report which appeared in the last quarterly letter.

A weekend of golfing at the historic Old Stage Coach Inn at Salado, Tex., followed by a 3-day fishing trip to a friend's lake made up just a few of the short trips away from the **Blanchard** Barn of San Antonio. Eve wrote, "no fish but had a wonderful time rowing Charlie around while he practiced casting." Charlie added, "We have a pool alongside our house stocked with steel gray brook trout that rise in dozens to pieces of bread. No fair eating them though. I make my fishermen use barbless hooks and throw them back. But still a thrill to watch a big fat one rise to your hook every time you cast. However, this was just a practice run for the annual fishing trip of the Blanchards to South Fork, Colo. Daughter Punkin and family are enjoying family life in England while husband Michael is at the British War College."

Kitty and Lib **Boineau** claim they drooled when reading my last portrayal of the north country and wished that Aladdin could suddenly whisk them here. But, wrote Kitty, later on when the shrouds of winter settle around us their envy changes to compassion. Actually there are no shrouds covering our winter wonderland. In fact, our winter visitors and activities are beginning to outdraw our summer ones. Daughter Sallie, after a summer at the Marine Biological Lab at Woods Hole, is back at Emory U. finishing her last year for her Ph.D. in biology. Son Ralph is in his junior year at high school and still vitally interested in astronomy and photography, having had several of his efforts published in *Sky and Telescope* magazine. Now that he has his own driver's license, Kitty is relieved of driving him to observation points at all hours of the night.

The Caseys' stay at their summer home in Bradford, Vt., was cut a bit short this year due to West Coast business. However, Dorothy and Pat did entertain Ruth **Tompkins,** who also summers in Bradford, and the **Lorences** for cocktails and luncheon, and your reporter can attest to the excellence of the drinks and food and to a most enjoyable visit. The Caseys are most gracious hosts. Dorothy and Pat again hosted the large reception at the American Legion Convention at Portland, Ore. Pinky Walsh Nov '18 and Em Itschner '24 and their wives were among the guests. A quick visit to parts of the family in Newport News and a week viewing the October fall foliage spectacular wound up the extracurricular activities of the Caseys.

Jigger **Cobb** reports that Nell has started on what will probably be her last school year. Nell's interest in writing has been increasing. Besides newspaper and magazine articles, she is about to have a book published relating to her experience as a high school guidance counselor. Rather than continue two occupations, she looks forward to branching out in the field of juveniles and Sunday School literature.

A short note from Phil **Gallagher** in mid-August saying that he would be airlifted to Walter Reed for a kidney operation that would take up about 3 weeks of his time before returning to Columbus. No further word at this time. So, you folks in Wash-

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ington and Georgia do a bit of checking for me.

At Edgewood Arsenal, Md., where Fred **Gerhard** was stationed many times, there stands a new building recently dedicated and named the Frederick W. Gerhard Communications Building. Helen Gerhard went there for the very lovely dedication ceremony and found they had honored Fred with a bronze plaque with his name and some remarks, in the entrance, and a portrait in the lobby. Helen wrote that it was a proud occasion for her and the children. She chose our neighbor state of Vermont for her summer vacation and found it as beautiful as ever.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. **Grant** are at home at 112 Hoyt St., Stamford, Conn. 06905. Welcome to our class family, Helen.

Mike **Grenata** has finally retired from teaching at Penn State, and the Grenatas spent the summer getting resettled permanently in their Leesburg townhouse while keeping up the family farm just 3 miles out of town. Another added attraction is that daughter Michella and her six children now live right next door while husband Ken McIntyre '44 continues in command of the 809th Engr Bn which is constructing the Bangkok Bypass in Thailand. Why teach and miss a good chance to spoil six lovely grandchildren, ages 1 to 9? Living in the country as they do, Mike wrote that he, Aline, and Michella all enjoyed the change of seasons description. We are hoping that when the Grenatas finish settling and, as they wrote, "get our feet on the ground in our old stamping grounds," they will come up to our north country for a good old-fashioned relaxing visit.

Dunc **Hodges** writes that he is living quietly, enjoying golf and working on his place. His daughter Kate is taking the Fine Arts course at the Harvard Graduate School looking towards a Ph.D. Her husband, a 1½-striper USNR, studied languages at Monterey and may go to Vietnam.

Mary Mason and Daddy **Holt** when last heard from were on their annual visit to Cape Cod. Why not come just a bit farther north, Daddy?

Susan and Tom **Kern** couldn't resist our north country this summer and got as far as Tanglewood in the Berkshires. They came up particularly to hear the Boston Symphony Orchestra's rendition of "Lohengrin." Its rendition in our north country made musical history by giving a complete opera in concert style by a full symphonic orchestration. Tom said the music was wonderful. The Kerns now have firsthand knowledge of the beauty of late summer in New England, and, Tom continued, "You are not exaggerating, and we, too, thoroughly enjoyed the country and the weather." Susan wanted to continue on up to New Hampshire but Tom couldn't spare the time. With building going on all over Washington, he is a busy man. So he told Susan, "Perhaps next year when I retire. Or maybe it's the year after that or the year after that. I am enjoying it still. There is a thrill in seeing a finished building that first was only lines on drawings. Every day has its problems, most of them new."

Our First Captain, Offie **Knight**, passed away at Madigan Army Hospital on 22 June after a long illness. A fine, strong individual, he was a credit to the Class. Dunc **Hodges** expressed the sentiment of many of the letters received from classmates when he wrote as his opening sentence: "Your letter of 12 August brought the sad tidings that Offie Knight had gone. I am grieved." We all grieve as another of our beloved classmates adds another file to the Long Gray Line. As our class ranks become thinner, let us keep our bond of friendship stronger and stronger.

The **Lorences** kept too busy to make many trips away from Woodley Acres. On our first visit to the U.S. Naval Hospital at Portsmouth, N.H., for annual physical and medical check-ups, they really gave Anna Mary and me VIP treatment. We had our records transferred there from Walter Reed. The CO of the Naval Hosp personally arranged all our appointments, X-rays, etc., on an all-in-one-day schedule which was rigidly adhered to. He even made our reservations at a nearby motel only minutes away from the Navy Yard. It was a most gratifying experience. Our other visit was to lunch with the **Caseys** at their lovely home at Bradford, Vt., where a most pleasant day was spent with our gracious hosts.

Of course, we had plenty of visitors from the Midwest, the South, and the NY and DC areas. Among them were Rita and Charlie **Hoffman** on their way to a brief, fall vacation at Quebec. Those that visited us went away convinced that our home is not just a shelter, but rather, through every window it projects into the early American charm of the interior the beauties of nature's outdoors, making our house our home—warm, mellow, and relaxingly livable with no need to seek comfort elsewhere. Come up, visit us, and see what we have discovered.

Louise and Dick **McKee** drove north this summer up the California coast, visiting friends and both their daughters and families, and of course the grandchildren. It seemed to Dick that everyone who owned a car was on the road, and that they all had plenty of money to spend and were spending it freely. Upon his return, Dick dug out his pencil draft 201, and your reporter now has a beautiful typed copy in the class file.

Jawn **Mesick**, when not fishing or hunting or tending his gardenias, kept close to his air-conditioner in ole Miss. He has a man Friday who handles the car and the boat so that all he needs to do is handle the rod and bait. That system is pretty near effortless and beats the summer heat as well as the air-conditioner. Hattie busies herself keeping the domicile neat and cool and the outside green. In the fall they tripped to Columbia County, N.Y., where Jawn did a bit of hunting in the Adirondack area. Son Hillary is now as tall as Jawn and gets along as though one hand were a perfectly normal situation.

Maurine **Mielenz** has been most helpful to those of us who are writing Lloyd's memorial for ASSEMBLY. The draft as a whole was written from 201 class data by Heinie **Baish** with the Corps of Engrs portion by Pat **Casey**, cadet days by Leo **Kreber**, and activities since retirement by Phil **Gallagher**. Your reporter will whip it into final shape for Maurine's approval and publication in ASSEMBLY. Maurine, who was the Pres of the Georgia Federation of Music Clubs, was elected National Bd Member from Georgia and represented the state at the fall board meeting in Memphis at the end of August.

Evidently some of your reporter's quarterly letter descriptions of the parade of the seasons struck respondent chords in the hearts of other lovers of nature. Eddie **Sibert** is one of those, and his descriptive prose of summering at Vineyard Haven, Mass., and wintering in South Carolina is worthy of quotes: "Our scene here is of the sea and sea changes, the water fowl, wheeling gulls and quick-diving terns. Silken seas with dead calms and bright sun one day and a shouting northwesterly blowing the tops off the waves the next. We have some of your birds, such as the chickadees, the purple finches. warblers of all kinds, a dozen varieties of sparrows, phoebes, towhees, catbirds, and brown thrushes, to name a few. They are nearly all gone by Thanksgiving except for the gulls and the juncos. We have a harsh environment by mid-November which lasts through March and which makes us retreat to South Carolina with its tall pines, its broadleaf evergreens, and many of the same birds. Flowers such as the elegant camellias bloom all winter, and our bird friends, wintering with us from the North, are augmented by the brilliant cardinals, and once I even saw a painted bunting." The Siberts arrived in early July at Vineyard Haven from Europe after a very satisfactory visit with their daughter near Mannheim. Dunc **Hodges's** daughter Kate was visiting a cousin of Laura's during July. Eddie called her a real charmer.

Jody **Tansey** has made a complete recovery from her operation at Walter Reed. Pat, to keep pace with Jody, has his aches and pains ironed out at the clinics. Their daughter Mary and her husband Lt. Col. Buddy Devens '46, with their eight children, returned from Berlin and are living at Mount Vernon, close enough for Jody and Pat to spoil the grandchildren. Buddy is on duty at OCE.

Tommy **Tompkins** spent a week in the hospital at Hanover. "Expensive," wrote Tommy, "but worthwhile. I learned that my arteries are OK so I can now have an egg for breakfast." Son Charles spent most of the summer in Carolina with Tommy's daughter Julia where he earned his Red Cross Jr. Life Saving certificate. Nonie made a 3-week visit to England. Her book, "My Lovely Days," should be published during November. Tommy wrote the foreword and felt sure that Nonie would be happy to autograph a copy should any of the Class want her to.

The **Townsleys'** permanent address is now Box 83, Center Harbor, N.H. This winter (15 Nov to 1 May or thereabouts) their address will be Ashley House, Lockwood Drive, Charleston, S.C. Their Manhasset, L.I., home passed to the ownership of son Page and family whose firm moved him from Cleveland to NY. That meant selling their Cleveland home and finding something in the NY area. After a week of househunting they decided to accept Clarry's offer of the Manhasset house. So, taking care of grandchildren, selecting things from Manhasset to be sent to the Charleston apartment—still under construction and as yet unseen—made planning a bit tricky and rather elastic. Clarry wound up his letter saying, "When we calm down you may hear from us."

That's all for this time. Just continue to send your troubles to "ye ole reporter" and we can all have a laugh.

NOV '18

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A long letter has come from Monk **Dickson**, 518 Millbrook Road, Devon, Pa. He reports: "Colin, now 27, is teaching American literature and history at the U. of Bordeaux on a sabbatical from the Lab at Frankford Arsenal. There is gossip behind fans about a scholarship at U. of Pa. for a Ph.D. *mais qui vivra, verra.* Bill is a high-powered tycoon

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plugging spark plugs, etc., for Auto-Lite, a Ford subsidiary which rivals Spence-Chapin, Miss Madiera, and Farmington as a finishing school for young gents. Auto-Lite has made a crew-cut, Ivy League, Brooks Bros. Monsieur Beaucaire out of Bill, who peddles fan belts in the image of the 100% clean-living, Eagle Scout, ideal American boy. He is all suaved up to the nines to meet dealers and gas station operators with the best of service, discounts, and promotions! He is even polite to his mother at times. Eleanor is busy peddling lavish pads to plutocrats and a few young marrieds. I tell her that her brain is too active for her body, as she rushes in and out crying, 'Too late! Too late!' like Alice's rabbit, but it keeps her out of the honkeytonks and has reduced her arrests for vagrancy. Last December I got tossed out of the Valley Forge Army Hospital's TB Clinic amid hoarse cries of 'Fake! Fake! Money Back!' The medics did not even pause to assemble the band to drum me out properly. Cavalier treatment like that does not make a man feel wanted, so I am thinking of buying my insulin at the drugstore just to show them. But they change station complements so fast that this may not make my detractors suffer very long."

Monk also sent me "Milton Burch, Anti-Guerrilla Fighter," by Howard V. **Canan**, and good reading it was, too. What a long, painstaking research job it must have required. Major Burch, Missouri State Militia Cavalry, was very active, alert, and successful in the anti-guerrilla missions assigned to him in and around Missouri in those troubled times, 1861-1865. Howdie has published several other interesting and instructive papers on intelligence, guerrilla activities, and allied matters during the Civil War. Recently his article, "Confederate Military Intelligence," appeared in the Maryland historical magazine.

Archie **Colwell** spent 2 weeks in the hospital during the summer but in early August was up and back at his desk.

VJ **Conrad** has recently given to the West Point Library the songbooks and program of "The Devil to Pay," 1917, and "It Can't Be Done," 1918, and a copy of the *CIBA Journal* containing "A Swiss Soldier in America," written by VJ about his grandfather. He is also going to send to the Library his collection of scrapbooks containing narrative and pictorial information about the 101st Separate Infantry Battalion. The 101st, one of the so-called "foreign battalions" formed of foreign nationals during WWII, was composed mainly of Austrians. Archduke Otto von Hapsburg was active in its formation.

The Bryan **Conrads** took a most enjoyable trip through Nova Scotia and New Brunswick with friends they were visiting in Maine last summer. Returning, they spent a delightful weekend with the F.A. **Stevenses** in their attractive mountain-top retreat near Sweden, Maine. Steve was very busy, as usual. His project last summer was a dam to impound water from a large spring not far from his house to form a pond for beauty, recreation, and fire protection.

The **Holbrooks** were in a bit of a dither over Willard III's impending marriage on 9 October to Susan Hoyle Graham. The ceremony was to be at Camp Hood, as the bride's father, Brig. Gen. Ephraim Graham, is stationed there. Up to the time of this writing, the groom was still in the Dominican Republic. Most of the Class will remember Gen. Graham, as he was a cadet when many of us were on duty as instructors at West Point. The Holbrooks' youngest, Marian, has been holidaying in Mexico after her strenuous voice studies at Aspen, Colo.

The **Groveses** are back from a trip to Europe. They sailed on the *Nieuw Amsterdam* to Holland, then by train and automobile visited Denmark, Sweden, and Norway, with a week in London and a side trip to the Channel Island of Jersey, the ancient source of the Groveses.

The Al **Millers'** visit to Washington was an occasion for gathering of the Washington group in honor of the Millers and their guests, the Browns.

I am several days late getting these Notes in and have torn the house up looking for two letters from Fred **Pearson** that have disappeared. This evening, in desperation, I called Fred on the telephone. It was really worth the price. I enjoyed talking to old Fred very much. He reports that Charlie **Moore** has been on the go, first to Arkansas to visit and fish with his old friend George **Keyser**, and then on to Winnipeg to visit his daughter and family, then clear across Canada by way of Banff and Lake Louise. His ETA in San Antonio was mid-October. **Knudsen's** son, Chris Jr., has just taken an M.S. at M.I.T. and has won a 2-year scholarship, worth $4,100, to study for his Ph.D. in chemical engineering. **Dunkleberg** has been in the hospital with two very serious hernias. The operations were successful and he is out again. Fred's only complaints are that he hasn't seen many of the Class recently, and that he, Fred, has a pain in the neck. All we aching backs can sympathize with him.

Howard and Jimmie **Peckham** are back in Washington after a wonderful tour through the New England states and Canada. They gave the Gaspé Peninsula a very thorough inspection and, as a result, that beautiful bit of country now has two unpaid but most enthusiastic boosters in Washington.

'19

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Don **Fay** died suddenly of a heart attack at Fort Benning on 11 Sept and was buried in the Fort Benning National Cemetery on 13 Sept. This news was received after these Notes had been sent to West Point and no details are presently available. The Class sent flowers and a telegram of condolence to Eunice, whose address is 5 Commander Drive, Columbus, Ga.

Wyman and **Dodge** represented the Class at **Bartlett's** funeral at Castine, Maine, in June. Bill sent a clipping of Brick's obituary which records that Brick was outstandingly our foremost scholar. Before entering West Point he graduated *summa cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa from Bowdoin. Later he received a B.S. degree in physics from M.I.T., an M.S. in physics from Columbia, and a Ph.D. in the same field from Columbia. After the war he received an honorary doctor of science degree from Bowdoin, was made an overseer of the college, and at the time of his death was a trustee of Bowdoin. Helen will continue to live in Castine.

Bill **Moroney**, writing from 806 Tipton Drive, Mountain Home, Ark., recently sent me the farewell edition of the *Agamemnon Daily News* printed at sea on 26 Sept 1919. The masthead of the paper lists **Speed** as Cabin Boy, **Farrar** as Oiler, and **Elliott** and **Whitney** as Stokers. What these jobs were I do not know, but they must have been important at the time, though not as satisfying as the post of permanent assistant mess officer, which **Twining** and a few of the smarter boys volunteered for in order to get enough to eat. Moroney reported on life in the Ozarks and urges that any of the Class who stray into that area come to visit him in his hideaway. Speaking of life on the *Agamemnon*, Battle **Rivers** called me some time ago from New Orleans to ask me to circularize the Class to determine whether any member of the Class at any time during our European excursion in 1919 ever drove any type of government motor vehicle. If anyone did, Battle would be interested in hearing about it. His address is 1011 Esplanade, New Orleans, unless Hurricane Betsy has driven him to a new address. For some years Battle has been the operator of a motor driving school, but he has now retired and is developing new methods of driver training. In the course of our conversation Battle told me that Doc **Johnson** was LBJ's first campaign manager.

Jazz **Parsons** is still with the U. of Md. in Europe (Verdun) but plans to retire next year and to return to the U.S. He has not yet decided where they will live. Jazz is the perennial Oldest Graduate at the Founders Day dinner in Heidelberg. The Skag **Faines**, who were touring Europe, visited the Parsons in June. Jazz reports that last year a group of cadets from the Classes of '64 and '65 toured the battlefields around Verdun, and that he was much impressed by the fact that these young men were vastly better behaved than the hoodlums with whom he made a similar tour in 1919. Jazz is confident that the Corps has not. (Financial note: Jazz enclosed a generous check for the Washington Slush Fund. Such contributions are always welcomed.)

Stu **Little** writes that he has moved to 300 West 55th St., NYC, in the heart of Hell's Kitchen. His telephone (unlisted) is Circle 7-4251. Stu says that he selected his new address for the sake of basic training there before he moves on to the place that many of his friends have told him to go. For the past 10 years Stu has rendered fine service on the Supe's Public Relations Advisory committee, which he organized. He says that he is constantly surprised on meeting classmates to see how old they look, when he hasn't changed a bit since he was 45.

Ham **Young** has resigned as secretary of the board of governors of the Soldiers Home and has set himself up in a swank apartment opposite the Shoreham, in Washington. He left in October for a golfing tour of Scotland with several other opulent duffers. It will interest those golfers who have contributed to **Cranston's** finances over the years to know that Joe is no longer the man he was. He is a consistent shanker, and I'm about the only man he can beat these days.

The **Wedemeyers** are planning an extended winter tour of the Far East. **Cookson** and **O'Connor** were recent visitors to Walter Reed. Dick **Coursey** had major surgery there in September but recovered nicely and has returned to the fleshpots of Vidalia, Ga. Dick's photograph was installed last fall in the Infantry Hall of Fame at Fort Benning in recognition of his service as Director of the Officers Candidate School which turned out close to 50,000 doughboy officers during World War II. Maybe some day they'll erect a statue to our "Sylvanus Thayer of The Infantry Center."

Echols and **Sebree** recently visited me on successive days to cheer me about my aches and pains. I am slowly recovering from their visits. **Palmer** gave a class brunch at the Army-Navy Club in August. Every classmate in the Washington-Eastern Shore area,

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except the **Elys, Hopkinses, Tates,** and **Twinings,** turned out to partake of Willie's free food and drinks. Even Ray **Burgess,** the recluse of Falls Church, who has never before attended a class wingding, showed up; and the **Hartnesses** and **Sorleys** came from far-off places. Only 28 persons attended the last paying class party. There must be a moral in this somewhere. The Bob **Carters** are living in France; most of the time at Chandon, Amboise, Indre et Loire. Bob reports that they were in Spain in September, but plan to return to the U.S. for the Notre Dame and Navy games, and to spend the winter in the Boston area.

To replace **Bartlett** as class secretary and treasurer, I have named Mike **Brannon** to those offices. He is the custodian of the class fund in the Highland Falls bank and of the Washington slush fund. If anyone feels like making a contribution to either fund he should send his check to Mike, whose address is 3612 Ingomar Place, NW., Washington.

That's all the news I've been able to dig up for this issue. I've canvassed the Washington group but no one has any scandal or gossip. Unless public-spirited characters like **Moroney, Little,** and **Carter** come through with news, we'll have to continue with short reports like this one. The area representatives have all fallen down on the job.

'20

Col. John A. McNulty
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Our very hard-working and loyal secretary, Leland **Smith,** is off on an extended European trip. He and Myra have certainly toured the continent. Last reports indicated that they had visited 10 countries. Their return to the U.S. was scheduled for about 1 Oct. For the last issue, our hard-working and trustworthy treasurer filled in in Leland's absence. The class spirit has to be carried on, so your president is trying hard to fill in for our absent treasurer.

I have written several classmates in various sections of the country, asking for information from their locale. I wish to thank them one and all for their loyal support and very newsy replies.

Our 45th Reunion is now several months old, but reports are still coming in of the wonderful time enjoyed by those classmates and their wives who were fortunate enough to return for this great event. Congratulations and thanks once again to Marion and Johnny **Johnston** for the excellent manner in which everything was taken care of.

I received the following letter from the Superintendent which I feel will please every one of us:

Dear Col. McNulty:

Please express to the members of the Class of 1920 our appreciation for the very fine pictures presented to the United States Military Academy upon the occasion of their 45th Reunion.

These pictures will contribute immeasurably toward establishing the motif within the Military Art Reading Room in the Library and, I am sure, will add to the education of the cadet.

Sincerely,

J. B. Lampert
Major General, U.S. Army
Superintendent

The report from California finds every one of our classmates in that area in good health. Eddie **McGaw** is working hard on his M.A. at U.C.L.A. Frank **Roberts** is director of Civil Defense at Claremont. Bill **Bartlett** is an instructor at Cabrillo Junior College. Alex **Sand** and Art **McCullough** reported on the fine time everyone had at the reunion, and are looking forward to our 50th. Eddie **Plank** and Rhu **Taylor,** along with Alex, are working hard on arrangements for a large class turnout at the ARMY-Stanford game. Clarence **Clendennen** has earned his Ph.D. at Stanford and is hard at work as a curator for the Hoover Institute.

Charlie and Anne **Holle** just returned from a European trip which was highlighted by a visit to their son stationed in Germany. The usual luncheon held in Washington (second Monday of every month) was attended by **Byers, Farrell, Fisher,** Fred **Harris** (just out of the hospital), **Hayden, Hinds,** Holle, **Merritt, Rehm, Mitchell** W.L., and **Seybold.**

I am sorry to report that Trix **Gillette** has been hospitalized at Walter Reed. Trix, we all wish you the best. And Ted, we are all with you. Another sad note, I am sorry to report, is the recent passing on of Bill **Brewster.** Bill always had the interest of our Class at heart, and sent a telegram to me at the reunion, saying he wished everyone present a most successful time and sorry he could not be present.

Harry and Madeline **Travis** are on an extended trip visiting their sons, situated far and wide—Washington, Pittsburgh, and California. They plan to stop over for a little fishing and possibly hunting, and then leisurely return home through the Smokies.

W.W. **Ford** has transferred his teaching activities to the U. of Mass. The Fords dropped in on the **Partridges,** and literally *dropped in,* as W.W. has his own private plane. Wally, will you miss Florida?

Don **Leehey** had planned for a long time to attend the reunion, but at the last moment had to cancel his plans, because of a slight back injury. Hope he has recovered and is his usual active self. Gainer **Jones** also planned to be present, but at the last minute had to cancel his plans. He received a first-hand report from Wilbur **Lunn.**

Your temporary correspondent received sincere thanks from our latest son, possibly the last, to receive the class gift. May John **Gailey** have a long, healthy, and successful career just like his dad.

Jeff and Frances **Box** arrived for the reunion by yacht. They were most gracious hosts to our Class during the reunion. They planned to continue on a trip up the Hudson and into the Mohawk Valley. Jeff and Frances, please don't be strangers any more. They are most anxious to have any of our Class traveling near Columbus, Ga., to be sure and at least say hello.

The next report you will have will be from your regular correspondent, Leland, who will no doubt fill you in on his extensive tour.

'21-'22

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We are very sad to report the death of Field **Sadtler.** He attended the class luncheon on 10 Aug and, according to John **Uncles,** was in fine health and spirits. The following Friday evening, 14 Aug, he fell down the basement stairs at his home and died that same night at Walter Reed. Eight Orioles were honorary pallbearers: Max **Taylor,** Jim **O'Connell,** John Uncles, Mark **McClure,** Shelley **Gibson,** Myron **Leedy,** Harold **Conway,** and George **Olmsted.** A tragic loss to Madeline and to the Class.

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.

Frank **Kane** had a successful (relatively minor) operation at Walter Reed early in the summer and attended a class luncheon before he left for his home in Florida. Irma **Gibson** has persuaded Shelley that they both are tired of traveling and are ready to settle down—in Washington, we hope.

Among the cadet awards last June was the following: the Brig. Gen. Charles J. **Barrett** Memorial Award presented in the name of Gen. Jacob L. Devers by Mrs. Charles J. Barrett, widow of Gen. Barrett, to Cadet Oleh B. Koropy, First Class, for the highest rating in Russian."

Slator **Miller** wrote to us last June: "A week from tomorrow time catches up with me and, after 37 consecutive years in the Hawaiian sugar industry, I retire. This gives Alexa and me the opportunity that we have looked forward to for a good many years, i.e., the freedom to travel together at a leisurely pace in many areas of the world that we have not yet seen. Living in Honolulu, we are too conscious of the great number of elderly women making their lonely course as tourists, their husbands residing, presumably, quietly in the ground at home. We intend to have our pleasures together as long as our health and pocketbook will allow. I am afraid 1965 will not see us back in your area, but we definitely will be there next year. Our travels in the last 5 years have been in the Pacific area through the countries of the Orient, down to Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands, such as Tahiti and Fiji. So we leave here on 2 July on a trip that will take us through the Canadian Rockies and Alaska before going to my home state of Oregon. Our plan is to arrive in San Francisco in early autumn and return to Hawaii by the first of October. Then, next year, in January we take off for Europe, concentrating on the Mediterranean countries until it gets warm, and then on up to England, and it is at that time that we will be coming back and hope to see our friends in Washington. Honolulu will remain our home; as a matter of fact, we have just restored and renovated Alexa's old family home, since her father is in a convalescent hospital and will not be able to return to live there. I think after the many years in Hawaii the future would look rather bleak if we couldn't count on at least a good part of the year at HOME. Our permanent address in Honolulu is 2135 Haena Drive, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822."

If any Orioles "still enjoy hunting and fishing and life in general and are passing this way . . ." (his words), Karl **Lueder** would love to have them join him at Chapala Haciendas, Chapala Box 69, Jalisco, Mexico. This was in the same letter to Charlie **Branham** in which he asked Charlie to have sent to him the record in the West Point Hospital which shows that Karl had been gassed in France in WWI. How is that for a physical recovery?

Also too late for the last issue was a letter from **Murphy,** who has been writing up a series of reminiscences for Jimmy **Rees's**

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brother. In 1924 the newly married Murphys met Jimmy in St. Louis and traveled across the country and the Pacific with him, and Jimmy and Murph were very close during their entire careers. Murph has enclosed a letter from the **Spaldings** who were then at Benning to visit their daughter, wife of a major in an assault helicopter battalion. "We are visiting our daughter Cadena (born on Corregidor) while she awaits her third child. Then we are on our way to Florida to look at some property, as we are thinking of moving from New York. Nothing definite as yet. Later this fall we are going to drive to California to visit a brother of mine. We just came back (15 Feb) from 4 months in England, Ireland, and Scotland—were visiting for a while with our son (class godson) who is with Union Carbide in Europe and lives in London. He builds those god-awful looking plants with pipes all over the sky! He was not in the army except for WWII. Doing fine and has a grand family—4 children, of whom we are very proud, of course. We have 8 grandchildren plus the one expected here. I remember Jimmy Rees well, not so much in later years, as our paths never crossed after the Philippines. I was in his company as a cadet and on that wonderful boat ride on the old transport *Thomas*. Also, he came to visit us at Corregidor frequently. He was always so fond of our baby boy. His mother and mine met at June Week and corresponded for many years after that."

Tommy and Lorraine **Thomson** left Santa Barbara in June for a trip East to their old homes in Minneapolis and in Tennessee, respectively, and I'm sure they saw many classmates at various points en route.

As for the **Lees**, Allie and I are in the midst of our usual summer on Nantucket Island and are getting these Notes off early, as we are driving soon to a Canadian fishing club for trout and small-mouth bass. We'll come back here for the rest of September before returning to Washington.

'23

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By the time you see this, the 42½, with the accompanying luncheon at Frenchy **Grombach's** farm, will be history. Current indications are for a good turnout. In all likelihood the '23 get-together on the West Coast after the Stanford game will also be over, and we will be experiencing the joys of another victory over Navy, despite what I understand *Look* is prophesying.

***Breidster** is really a forward-looking fellow.* In a letter to Trooper **Price**, he not only thumped for attendance at the 42½ but spoke of piping the 45th Reunion!

Johnson W.G. and **D'Espinosa** went on their traditional summer visits to Maine and Massachusetts. respectively, and left a bit of a bag in re last minute items about the 42½. However, they have conducted considerable class business. The **Johnsons** have seen the Woppy **Whites** and have had extensive visits from children and grandchildren at their summer place in Camden.

Austin Folger **Gilmartin** had quite a trip to Europe during the summer, visiting some of his old stations, like Vienna, and staying with a son in Germany and a brother in Spain. When he and Mary got back they decided they were too pooped to visit in the East as planned, so they went home to recoup. Their younger son is in the Navy at San Diego.

P. Roy **Dwyer** and Mary also made a trip to Europe, primarily a visit to Ireland. They were planning to finish up in time to get to the 42½.

In contrast to these travelers, George **Heaney** has settled down in Pompano Beach, Fla., and is enjoying the quiet life, especially the Gold Coast. Haven't heard whether "Betsy" has changed his views.

Meta **Beckley**, on the other hand, is planning a visit to Thailand where her son is stationed with a newly acquired bride from Chiang Mai. We hope to hear from Meta during and after the trip. Young Stu was married in May. His bride's name is Pannee Soottinanchai.

Scheetz sent in a clipping showing that Bill **Biddle** has been made advisor for military affairs at the Pennsylvania Military College and given up his job as commandant of cadets. Bill has been doing graduate study while at P.M.C. We hope the new job does not mean that he becomes a military "longhair." I had heard a rumor that **Harriman** was retiring. He says it isn't so, that he did well after an operation last February and will be at the 42½. Thelma **Russell** has moved. Her new address is Sea Pines Plantation, Hilton Head Island, S.C. 29928.

Larry **Barroll**, in a letter to Wendell **Johnson**, says he has a son in business and a daughter in college in Stockholm. He gave them as reasons why he might be away too much to be class rep in the New York City area. Johnny gave him an "explanation unsatisfactory" on that one. Dorothy **Ellerthorpe** is another of our travelers. She made a Caribbean cruise last spring. Her son Don, an Army pilot, expects to go to Vietnam soon. His family will stay in Middletown, N.Y., where Dorothy is now living. The other son, Vernon, lives in Arlington Heights, Ill.

The **Harmonys'** summer travel was limited to 2 days at a mountain resort not too far from San Francisco. Jazz issues a warning that Mike **Buckley** is a serious and competent golfer. Mike must be good; he beat Jazz! Jazz also informs us that **Pitzer** was in the Fort Ord hospital in the early summer, but could give no further details. Kay **Brady** writes that she spent most of the past year in hospitals and nursing homes as a result of two leg breaks and a cracked heel. She was home in August.

Peg **Gruver** is back in Washington after a visit to Murry Bay for trout fishing and another trip to Los Angeles where she did some more fishing. She hopes to renew her painting before too long. In the meantime she is considering trying to arrange for the publication of some short stories that Earl wrote as a hobby during his last years. Earl's mother is also here in Washington.

Ed **Greiner:** "After serving for 3 years with the United Reconstruction Agency in Korea, Connie and I returned around the world, stopping in Africa for a safari into the haunts of the wild animals (camera only). We spent a couple of months along the east coast of South America and arrived in New York in the spring of 1957 and proceeded to Daytona Beach, Fla., where we settled. We have a huge home, full of oriental antiques and a fruit orchard in the back yard. We have concentrated on contract bridge, playing in many national tournaments throughout the country. We both finally acquired our Life Masters rating from the American Contract Bridge League last February. We plan on attending the reunion this fall. It has been many years since I visited West Point, and I shall enjoy seeing our classmates."

The **Greiners** and the **Manrosses** seem to be our only serious big-game hunters (with camera).

In a letter to Wendell **Johnson, Tredennick** suggested that it would be a good idea for us to make real efforts to keep alive the interest of the widows of classmates in class affairs. We endorse this to the full. We seek to keep up the address lists; we send them any special bulletins we publish; and, here in Washington, we ask them to participate in any coed class affairs. Items published in this column indicate that this is also the practice elsewhere. We hope it will continue and expand. I want to renew my plea for news from the distaff side so that we may have more to submit for this column.

Speaking of material for this column, Shim **Reid** suggested that I publish the deadline date for material so you braves could send me stuff at the proper time. I reminded Shim and now, I hope, all of you, too, that these dates are published in a box in the Bulletin Board section of ASSEMBLY. How about noting this on your calendar and getting something to me for the next issue?

Shim also reported that his son was due to return from a tour with Special Forces at Bad Tolz for duty as PMS at Xavier High in New York City. His daughter Peggy was still in Chile with USIS. In July, she was down with hepatitis, and the Reids were hoping to get her back to the U.S. to recuperate. Peggy is a splendid young gal and a competent representative of the U.S. I am sure she has the best wishes of all of you for a speedy recovery. Shim also wrote: "I commend you *once again* for compiling a *very fine* Class of '23 column in ASSEMBLY. This comment should be printed! And, needless to say, you may quote me."

I am telling him it is against my policy to submit such material.

Mr. T. J. Fleming is preparing a history of West Point. The Assn of Grads has forwarded a request from him to class Scribes for material on their classes and for anecdotes about classmates that might be useful for such a book. I feel our Class should be of special concern in any history and will assemble some of the reasons and events that I believe make this a fact. I wrote to a few members of the Class when there was an earlier deadline for the material. Mr. Fleming now informs me that he will need a bit more time and that material can come to him about the end of this year. I would greatly appreciate anything you have about the Class as a whole and, particularly, anecdotes about our "characters." I am very short on these.

Our unique place in the transition period after World War I makes it important that we do what we can to see that this is a matter of record. How about some disunited givers on this matter?

Don't forget to make your contribution to the Distaff Hall. Send it to Charley **Bromley**.

'24

Maj. Gen. Robert V. Lee
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Immediately after White and McDivitt had landed on the U.S.S. *Wasp* on 7 June, we sent telegrams of congratulations to Astronaut Ed and the proud parents, Eddie and Mary **White.** We have received the following letter from Eddie and Mary:

"Mary and I were delighted with your message from the Thundering Herd on 7 June. His plebe hike in 1948 must have had something to do with Ed's conditioning for that extended walk. At least I know that our

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Alma Mater had a great deal to do with the great accomplishment. The ensuing whirl around the country, to Houston, Chicago, Ann Arbor, San Antonio, and Washington, was fantastic and exciting. We contacted Charlie **Palmer** and Jean and spent a few hours at their home and the Chevy Chase Club, but couldn't circulate more because we were looking after our two grandchildren while their parents were on their sudden tour of Paris. We were on a planned schedule most of the time and had little opportunity for variations. Bill **Halligan** showed up in Chicago and Bob **Smith** at Ann Arbor. We have been flooded with telegrams and letters from friends all over, and many, many from Herdsmen. We are most appreciative of all the good wishes and kind words from everyone, but I cringe at the task of answering the several hundred messages. So, first of all, Pete, please find a bit of space in the next ASSEMBLY to convey our special thanks to all who remembered 'Our Boy' in their prayers and thoughts. They all helped in the performance of his job."

It is with great regret that we announce the death of Slim **Turner** in the Lackland AFB Hospital the night of 25-26 June. Slim was buried at West Point on 29 June. In addition to the family, those from the Class attending the burial were Pat **Pasolli**, Peyton **McLamb**, George and Mary **Duerr**, Denis **Mulligan**, Jerry **Sullivan**, and Bill **Cleary**.

Your Scribe has recently had the privilege, and rare pleasure, of reading a piece from the pen of George **Busbey**. "So Well Remembered," which appeared in the *Indiana Magazine of History* of September 1959 (published by the Dept of History of Indiana U.), is a fascinating picture of George's boyhood in the Hoosier farm country. We commend it to anyone for half an hour of thorough enjoyment. We are glad to report that it has been added to the collection of writings by graduates in the West Point library, and well it should be.

Gene **Ely** was in Walter Reed in early July with double pneumonia. When we last saw him he appeared to be well recovered.

Art **Trudeau** was married to Rosalie Camalier Walsh on 2 July. They will make their home in Pittsburgh and Chevy Chase, Md. Our congratulations and best wishes.

Red and Ruth **Trew** finally settled down and built a home in St. Petersburg, Fla., last year after Red returned from a job on the Dewline for Federal Electric Corp. They are living very quietly with their two Scotties, while Ruth is recovering from her second operation for cataracts.

After 20 years in the Coachella Valley Desert of California, Bob **Ellsworth** has retired for the third time and has moved to Rossmore Leisure World, a retirement community near Laguna Beach, Calif. While on the desert, Bob was sales manager of real estate for the development of Palm Desert, and then operated his own real estate and insurance business in Palm Desert. He sold his interests in Palm Desert in 1956 and concentrated on Salton Sea development.

Pete and Lil **Davies** moved to Clearwater, Fla., last winter, bought a home and are having a ball. Lil plays golf several times a week and is holding down the No. 2 spot on the ladies' golf team at the Clearwater Country Club. Pete refuses to retire and is still in the automobile business.

A note from Jake **Moon** tells us that they have been commuting between North Carolina, Florida, and Alabama for the past year. They have bought an old colonial home in Hillsboro, N. C., with a red barn and 3 acres of pastureland. The Moons have three hunters, and they ride with the Triangle and Sedgewick Hunts all winter. Horse shows and field meets in the summer keep them pretty much in the saddle.

'25

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These Notes for the fall issue are being written before the summer ASSEMBLY arrives, which might cause us to repeat ourselves.

Gerry **Galloway**, while on a trip to Scandinavia in June, "Paris-ed" for a week on the way home. He enjoyed a good visit with Bud **Hankins** who, it seems has arrived at the ultimate, i.e., a grand apartment in the area of Sacre Coeur, plus a waterfront hideout in Cannes. By now we assume Bud has absorbed enough of the French language to battle the natives on even terms. Gerry also tried to locate Johnnie **Haskell** but didn't make the connection. Like many others, he's now piping our 50th!

Versa and Swede **Underwood** down to DC for a few days—Swede having a final check on his eyes at Walter Reed. He states that his new aluminum boat has been a joy this summer, and he can keep it parked in his own yard, thus avoiding much of the expense he had with the older (larger) boat. Still very high on State College with its total enrollment of some 25,000. Two more years and then retirement to stamp collections. Daughter Joyce and husband (a doctor) are still in England.

Smith J.M. (the last of our six Smiths) forwarded a most unusual newspaper article which gives the scoop on his retired activities. Replacing his hobby as a Lt (with us at Cheyenne)—he was the original Kaydet figurine manufacturer—he has made a long and detailed study of the Holy Land for reproduction purposes. With the help of the Army Map Service, he constructed 3-dimensional models of the geographical areas and has replicas of the buildings, furniture, and customs of ancient Palestine.

A very nice note of thanks from Helen **Maier** and daughters for the beautiful wreath of flowers the Class sent for Oscar. Helen wrote: "As Oscar grew older, memories of the Point grew even dearer to him, perhaps it is so with most of you." Believe she's 100% right on this.

Incidentally, Robbie **Robertson** wrote that he used to lunch with Oscar in Chicago when Oscar was with the Pullman Company. Robbie just returned from a 10-day trip to his old Chi stamping ground.

A nice letter from Helen **Depew** (corrected address) 23 Kent Place #6, Menlo Park, Calif. Helen is justly proud of the accomplishments of her son and, of course, fascinated by her darling grandson.

John **Davis**, change of address to: 4861 Round Top Drive, Los Angeles, Calif. 90065. Also, change **Willems**'s address to: 7813 instead of 7183!

Hayden **Grubbs** included note to Ed **Jones** re the 40th and best wishes to all. Red Reeder also told Ed Jones about a new book in March. Dave **Bradford** gave new address for Ruth (Mrs. C.H.) **Smith** as: 130 Larchmont, San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

We are indebted to Ruth and Diz **Barnes** for a very fine colored print taken at the assembly of grads for the June Parade. Wonder what became of the other photographers there who were snapping pictures?

Among the discoveries, of course, the climax of the hunt for Freddie **Powell** was outstanding. We are looking forward to contacting one of his sons in this area and hearing about the other son's visit to Freddie in Spain last summer.

Our local group is greatly indebted to Barney **Barnett** for a great treat at our airport luncheon. He produced a cousin who proved to be a most interesting speaker with a marvelous set of colored slides of Vietnam. A fascinating and down-to-earth briefing.

Hack **Cleaves**'s daughter Bobbie lives just outside of Boston and Hack was expecting her and her three children (girl 10, and boys 8 and 3) to be with him for the summer months. We expect a humorous account from Hack re how grandfather coped with the youngsters.

We are looking forward to hearing the details of several summer trips taken by classmates and especially want to hear of the **Gillmores**' lengthy travels. We liked the itinerary Clarissa and Red **Long** followed in the summer of '64 when they spent 6 weeks in Canada, visiting Victoria, Vancouver, Lake Louise, and Banff, then south to Glacier National Park, Yellowstone, the Jackson Hole country, and upper Idaho.

A spectacular and most unusual event occurred at Fort Myer last summer—a mounted (yes, *mounted*) retirement parade review for retiring MDW CG, Maj. Gen. Wehle. All the Fort Myer equines (all that exist in our present Army) participated, giving a most nostalgic touch to a very colorful ceremony.

Last reports on Florence and Joe **Cleland** indicated they were still in Europe and planning to settle in Majorca for the winter season about 1 Oct. They have logged over 60,000 miles on their VW.

We are sorry to report (and were shocked to learn of) the passing of Mary **Seleen.** Interment here at Arlington on 7 Sept. Daughter Penny flew back from Germany. Among the classmates and many friends at the services was Wiley **Moore.** The Moores are prospecting for a retirement home and are quite interested in the local "Leisure World."

Betsy and Harry **Crandall** on vacation now. The **Dunns** enjoyed a week with a house full of relatives at Rehobeth Beach and, later, a short visit to the Skyline. NY trips in the offing. Daughter Carol and granddaughter visiting us here while son-in-law is on second big trip to Central America.

Geo. **Withers** Jr., due for schooling at Fort Bragg in November and then to Vietnam. Brother Jeffrey already there. Bill and Sally in TH. Peter still in school in Georgia and young Ben in school in Massachusettts. (All five Withers boys thus accounted for!) Ralph **Garver** (who was with Geo. Jr., at Belvoir a year ago) left for Leavenworth. Russ **Dunn** (son of Marie and Ted) is now in his senior year of law at Georgetown and talks with much enthusiasm. Bruce **Clarke** (our Class godson) is now at the National War College and both of his brothers, David and Gordon, are at Fort Belvoir.

Brandt **Grubbs** is on duty here in the Munitions Building and living not far from the **Nutters.** We have enjoyed so much meeting daughters and sons of classmates, and the grandchildren. Through our class Notes we hope they all will get to know each other better.

Bruce **Clarke** Sr., was to be honored at his hometown birthplace of Adams, N.Y., on Saturday, 25 September, at which time the $4.5 million Gen. Bruce C. Clarke Central High School building was to be dedicated.

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The Hon. Wilbur M. Brucker (former Secretary of the Army) was to be the principal speaker. Preceding this dedication, a special conference room designated as "The Gen. Bruce C. Clarke Room" was to be dedicated. This room houses Bruce's many medals, awards, decorations, flags, colors, writings, articles, albums, diplomas, and other mementos of his 42 years in uniform. The many medals include the DSC, three DSM's, and 3 Silver Stars, plus multitudinous others, including many from other countries.

Helen and Mike **Geraghty** still look back on their wonderful year in Ireland with great pleasure but, of course, are happy to be back in their nice home where they can visit daughter Joan with ease.

The **Ritchies** are reported as still being at their summer island home. Lew **Riggins** is arranging a duck hunt for Jim **Deery.** Still very happy with his Los Fresnos location. Says eyesight's a trifle dimmer but still refusing to wear glasses! Some beautiful homes built on his local lake area. Sam **Lamb,** on a recent trip, contacted **Howze, Matteson,** and **Kelley,** but missed Bill **Gillmore.** Also talked with our old (and *very* popular) K Co. Tac, Jens Doe! He conveyed to Gen. Doe the regards of all K Co. survivors.

And, just as we go to press, our first direct missive (*not* missile) from Moscow! Bill **Wright,** our fearless, intrepid bachelor, there for a few days from Minsk and Smolensk, then on to Leningrad, Kiev, and Lvov before going to Hungary.

You homefolks, *please* don't wait until you get in the hands of the State Department—send us news of your summer travels and family activities while same is fresh in your minds.

'26

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The Class was stunned by the tragic death of Bill **Walker** which occurred on the evening of Tuesday, 31 Aug. Bill fell from a train which was taking him to Long Beach, N.Y., where he was to have joined Eleanor at her mother's home. Bill was on active duty and had decided to retire within a few days. Mass was said on Friday, 3 Sept, at the Fort Myer Chapel, after which interment with full military honors took place in Arlington National Cemetery. Because of the Walkers' many friends and long residence in Washington, those who attended the services are too numerous to mention individually. Relatives present included the three Walker children: Maj. William A. Jr., '52, Richard M., and Terry (Mrs. H.P. Perrine); Eleanor's brother, Brig. Gen. W.W. (Bill) O'Connor '24, and her sister, Mrs. Joseph E. Reilly. The pallbearers were Sparky **Baird,** Keith **Barney,** Jimmy **Davidson,** Tommy **de Shazo,** Leon **Johnson,** Harold **McDaniel,** Freddy **Munson,** and Morrie **Nelson.** Other classmates present were Strick **Strickler,** Pick **Collins,** Joe **Halversen,** Charlie **Connolly** and 'Judge' **Furman.**

At the time of his death, Bill was working on the class Notes, which were transcribed by Eleanor. The items which she had prepared are reproduced in the following five paragraphs:

A surprise visit occurred during July when the **Mayos** came to Washington for a few days. They could not contact all classmates, as a member of Northa's family became ill, and they spent most of their time near the hospital. However, the **Walkers** had a gala gathering at the country club for the Mayos and others who had served in Hawaii together. The Mayos looked extremely well and showed no signs of the deep grief they shared over their daughter Sally's tragic death. Dick is now head of the mathematics department of his school, and they are moving soon to a new house in Lake Worth, Fla. The Mayos report many pleasant gatherings beside Bob **Ross**'s swimming pool in Pompano Beach.

A long letter came from Betty **Brusher** telling of their tour in Europe last year with all their children. Betty reports Hal was a fine tour director and stood with stopwatch in hand to see that everybody was on the line of departure for the day's points of interest. The Brusher son Anthony, who is with the Forest Rangers and was a bachelor of 33, finally found his OAO whom he married in June. Betty's account of the family glowed with happiness.

Anna Belle, the attractive daughter of Ada and Pick **Collins,** was married on 12 June to Steven Olney Almy. Anna Belle had attended Mary Baldwin College and graduated from American U. The day of the wedding was perfect, and the ceremony, which was performed at the Fort Myer Chapel, was followed by a reception in the Collins's home. Classmates who were on hand to see how well Pick made the "long march" to the altar were the **Ankenbrandts, Bayers, Cordermans,** and **Munsons.** (Incidentally, Pick was perfect.)

Tommy and Babe **de Shazo** were very happy over the safe return of son Maj. Tommy Jr., from Vietnam. Their daughter-in-law, with three little girls, had been visiting the de Shazos for 3 months while awaiting his return. Tom and Babe are hoping to visit their older daughter who resides in Switzerland. Her husband is with the Department of State and is a member of the permanent delegation to Geneva.

Margaret **McNerney** recently paid a visit to Washington with son Charles who was about to leave for duty in Vietnam. Margaret's address is: Cedar Shores, R.R.2, New Prague, Minn.

Freddy **Munson,** your new Scribe, takes up the pen at this point. Please send class information to the address at the head of this column, or dial Washington, D.C., Code 202-966-2057.

A note from Frank **Purcell** indicated that he and his family were going to Maine last summer. We do not know whether they will stay there and buck the rigorous climate or return to the Washington area this fall.

Freddy and Elsie **Munson** flew to San Francisco for a few days in June. Freddy checked in with Alex **Sewall,** who promptly arranged a delightful and cheerfully liquid reunion. Present also were the **Mathiases, Kirchoffs, Hawthornes,** and **Bradys.** Freddy was particularly pleased to see Bill Hawthorne and Brookner Brady since they were three members of the victorious Second Class "goat" football team. Freddy also checked in by phone with Roy **Kaylor,** Bob **Nourse,** Spud **Murphy,** and Hal **Brusher.** All nine of the '26ers in the Bay Area are fine and enjoying their work or retirement.

A letter from Hal and Betsy **Forde** told of their impending trip to the East from Denver. They were to attend Homecoming and then fly to Washington for a few days. After that, they plan to get a Hertz rental and head for Florida where they will visit Bill and Ev **House** in Largo.

The Class was saddened by the news of the death of Edris **Davidson** at Walter Reed on 30 July. Our deep sympathy is extended to Dave and their two daughters.

One of the most amazing members of 1926 is Marvin **McKinney,** who not only has one of the youngest looking wives in the Class but, with Peg's help and encouragement, has turned into a highly accomplished and hard-working engineer. Although he was never seen in Engineer section-rooms as a cadet, he has by dint of aggressive determination and natural shrewdness learned the art of designing such household necessities as heating plants, water distribution systems, electric wiring layouts, kitchens, and bathrooms—you name it, he can design it. On top of that, he is a one-man labor force capable of putting any and all of his designs into actual working use. Besides being an engineer, he is a plumber, electrician, carpenter, steam-fitter, bricklayer, plasterer, and gardener. For proof of his fantastic handiwork, visit his laboratory (alias "home") on Balmville Road in Newburgh, N.Y.

"Red" **Reeder** expresses his great appreciation to the members of the Class in helping friends establish "The Colonel Russell P. (Red) Reeder Jr., Award to the Outstanding Cadet Baseball Player." Red is very touched. Our class fund contributed $100 toward the $2,500 necessary to set up the award in Red's honor. The award was presented for the first time this past June Week to Cadet Barry DeBolt, Class of 1966, West Point's star hurler, the top pitcher in the Eastern Intercollegiate Baseball League.

Vald **Heiberg** reports that the 40th Reunion of the Class is all set for the Homecoming Weekend next fall. The dates of the festivities are 30 Sept through 2 Oct 1966 inclusive. If your address is not correctly listed in the current REGISTER OF GRADUATES, please send your present address to Vald at the Department of Mechanics at West Point, so that he can get you on his mailing list for the next class bulletin.

'27

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This has been a quarter distinguished by the retirement of Ted and Kay **Brown.**

Moved by that retirement, Gar **Davidson** sent in a magnificently phrased and inspiring synopsis of the Saga of '27, of the last of the Class to come to retirement, to close the many years of regular active duty for the Class. Pictures of that significant terminal event came on later through the usual careful planning of Paul **Berrigan.** For the retirement ceremony there was a fine assembly of the Class, perhaps the largest for any of our retired members, as the **Browns** were fortunate enough to hang up their shield in an area supported by an enthusiastic group of classmates and wives.

However, Gar's fine composition must read for itself: "This seems an appropriate time to recount our history, recalling first that it was 42 years and 29 days, to be exact, since we climbed the hill to the Plain, some 367 strong. For the most part we were unknown to one another. Four years later 203 of us graduated, closely knit as a group as the Military Academy binds people with the same ideals. Since then, as all West Point classes, we, graduates and non-graduates alike, have had the privilege of serving our country in war, in our case, in two of them.

"According to the records available to me, 12 of our number made the supreme sacrifice as a result of enemy action, and 13 were wounded in combat. The Distinguished Service Cross was won by seven of our Class, twice by Jack **Hines** and Dud **Strickland.** The Silver Star was awarded to 16. We

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1927: Ted and Kay Brown's reception following Ted's retirement at Presidio of San Francisco. **Standing** (l. to r.): Davidson, Towner, Douglas, McManus, Roth, Parsell, Brown, Hocker, Jennings, Peirce, Berrigan, Carlock. **Seated:** Mesdames Davidson, Douglas, Towner, McManus, Jennings, Hocker, Brown, Parsell, Berrigan, Roth, Peirce, Carlock.

produced 48 general officers, and the Distinguished Service Medal was awarded to 29 of our Class. One out of four who graduated on that rainy 14 June of 1927 has gone to his higher reward.

"We may not be able to lay claim to unusual fame, but I think we are well justified in maintaining that our Duty was in fact well-performed, our Honor kept 'untarned,' and our Country better armed as a result of our collective services."

There is little that could be added effectively to that detailed summation.

From Paul **Berrigan** came the details of the retirement of Ted **Brown:** a copy of the program for the ceremony on 31 July and of the Presidio's *Star Presidian,* including on page 4 a commemorative picture of calm Cadet Brown and eulogistic comment upon his making corporal, sergeant, and first sergeant, the latter, of E Co, as memory records. That he was also "South Dakota's only representative in the Class"—that he was "primarily a h-a-r-d man"—that he never failed to "flavor the bummed Lucky with a bit of philosophy, advice, or of his rare humor"—these comments were omitted by the *Presidian.* And, as Paul added, Ted ordered that retirement band to play "Army Blue," because "it's what we ended a hop with."

In fact it has been a long dance, from the Charleston to the frug. But it was fun, and the Class of 1927 still carries on, and will continue to do so for years, and years, and years. As concrete evidence that it does, Ted returned to active duty on 1 Aug to head Logistics System Study Group, Office C/S, and with a month's leave, was reported at presstime to be living in Alexandria, Va.

To other affairs and events one should turn. For example, the Mac **Millers** seem to have their usual fine summer behind them. Son Rusty, all of 15½, had 2 strenuous weeks of camping and hiking at the national Boy Scout Camp in Philmont, N. Mex., an accomplishment which brings him close to qualifying as an Eagle Scout. In the interim, Mac and Jean got in a pleasant week at Fort Knox, seeing the Myerses of '28 and the Pritchards of '33. In August all the Millers went to West Hartford, Conn., to visit Dunc and Din Somerville '28, seeing there the Finnegans, also '28. As Mac put it, "We seem to have specialized in contacts with the Class of '28 this summer," and now "it's back to teaching math at Columbian Prep for the fall and winter."

Among other items—all too, too scarce—came one via the Assn of Grads from the San Antonio *Light,* 26 June, announcing as new president of the South Texas Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers our own John P. **Kaylor.** Congratulations!

Closely following that one was the announcement of Larry **Kuter's** placement as VP Technical Staff of Pan American Airways, "with responsibility for the airline's engineering, communications, purchasing, and data processing departments." Again, congratulations!

Rarely do beautiful cards of varied hue come to the desk of the Scribe. Yet Bob and Natalie **Aloe,** cruising about in British Columbia last summer, sent in one expressing enjoyment supreme over "our Airstream trailer." On 7 August they were heading home via Yellowstone and the Tetons.

Wink **Ehrgott,** promising to send in "poop as often as possible," came through with a too-late report on June Week, including some interesting conjectures on the probable latest year in which one of the remaining class sons may be among the graduates, "God willing," and advancing some hopeful data on his 4-year-old W.W.E. Jr., as a possible member of 1982. Wink went on to state that his mother is a hale 92 and still very fond of "the men of '27."

This seems to wind it up. Many of you are not heard from often enough. Let us have a bit of information upon which to build this column toward sufficiency.

'28

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Walt **Donald** was buried in Arlington during May and, unfortunately, no one in the large class contingent in the Washington area learned about it until too late. Families or class members who hear of such deaths should advise me (Bill **Billingsley**), or Skip **Seeman,** or Paul **Gavan,** or some other Washington-resident classmate, promptly, no matter how private an interment is desired, for a representation from the Class will always wish to help the Long Gray Line—even to "the last mile."

Letters are being sent to all members of the Class, and if you have not received yours, it is because we do not have a current address. Please let us know where you are and, better yet, let us know what you are doing.

Skip **Seeman** has retired and will travel before settling on a retirement home.

During the summer we visited the **Ludlams** in Springfield, Va. They had the **Butchers** in while we were there. Doug is playing some golf. Have just learned that the Ludlams have purchased a home in Forest Hills, outside of Belair, Md., with more than 3 acres of land, where Doug can raise dogs. Stopped in Charlottesville and went by Lee **Tarrant's.** Lee was out on the golf course, so missed him, but had a short visit with his family. Lee is really enjoying his golf cart with fringed top. Also stopped at Hockley Farm, the **Tunner** estate. Bill and his son were getting in a day of golf at Langley before Bill started harvesting tomatoes from his 5,000 plants.

Hope Homecoming will bring some classmates back to USMA and that we will glean more news for the next issue.

'29

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We note with pleasure the marriage in the Fort Sam Houston chapel on 1 July of Tiny **Jark** and Mrs. Caroline Miller Burns. We send class congratulations and good wishes to them and welcome a new member to the distaff side of '29. After a wedding trip to Las Vegas and a European tour, the Jarks will be at home at 702 Golf Crest Dr., San Antonio. Mrs. Jark is the widow of the late Lt. Gen. Robert W. Burns.

Two of our recent retirees have reported their activities and plans. Slim **Vittrup** retired from the position of C/S, Hq U.S. EUCOM, in Paris on 31 May. He and Muriel toured Spain and returned to the U.S. on the S.S. *United States* in June. They took in the NY World's Fair and then moved west via Washington, Fort Bragg, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, El Paso, Tucson, and Yuma, to the San Diego area, where they paused to visit son Jack and family in Newport Beach. Jack has resigned from the Army Medical Corps and is in private practice there. "Jack thinks," says Slim, "that he has found Utopia, and from what I have seen so far he may be right." Slim and Muriel departed California in mid-August and headed east to the Washington area via North Carolina and Florida, where they hoped to see Tony **Costello** and Tommy **DuBose.** Slim is receptive to employment and says they will settle down wherever he finds interesting work—though it had better be soon, for they are weary of living out of suitcases.

Bat **Carns,** who retired from the position of CG, Fort Ord, on 30 June, received a very fine and detailed review of his 36 years' service in the Monterey Peninsula *Herald* on the eve of his retirement. Bat is also receptive to employment offers, but he plans for his to be in the California area. Bat and Jan have been traveling across the U.S., as far east as New York since retirement and planned to return to the West Coast in September.

Merle and Ella **Thompson** are on the last lap of their extended European stay and were to head back for Spartanburg, S.C., in October. They had a wonderful winter in Spain, spring in Portugal, and summer in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany, ending up at Heilbronn for a visit with son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. W.G.

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Greiner. They stole the grandchildren for a trip to Vienna and 10 days of swimming on the Worther See in Austria.

In Redlands, Calif., Dick **Scott** has given up his job with the Lockheed Propulsion Co. to become executive secretary of Inland Action, Inc., a non-profit organization composed of the leading men of the San Bernardino-Riverside-Ontario metropolitan area. "The mission of the organization," says Dick, "is to work quietly, without publicity, as a catalyst, to see that those things get done that need to be done to attract industry to the area. Our interests cover the spectrum recreation commission, a director of Rotary, from the establishing of industrial parks and industrial financing to improving racial relations and industrial opportunities. Dick finds the job a fine and interesting challenge, and says, "It's a real pleasure to work with men who give so freely of their time for the betterment of a whole group of communities."

Dick is giving freely of his own time for community benefit in Redlands, where he is a member of the school board and the a director of the YMCA, and president of the Salvation Army advisory board. Dick and Eleanor's two children are both champion swimmers. Dave graduated from high school last June, having captained the water polo and swimming teams and won all-America recognition in swimming. He enters the U. of Redlands this fall. Daughter Pam is a senior in high school and head songleader, as well as a champion swimmer with the Redlands Swim Club. Dick and Eleanor play golf or tennis two or three times a week. What they do with their spare time is a mystery. Dick sees Don **Stevning** occasionally and says Don is very busy with his orange-growing and -packing activities.

Also immersed in community activities is Larry **Bork**, who has been president of the Economic Club of Detroit since his retirement in 1962. The club is comprised of 2,500 leaders of the industrial, business, educational, automotive, and professional fields in the Detroit area, and schedules some 40 meetings a year which are addressed by national and international figures of prominence. Their speakers' schedule for 1965-66 reads like a roster of the political, industrial, scientific, and diplomatic brains of the nation. In addition to riding herd on all this activity, Larry is active in the public welfare committees of Detroit and of Grosse Pointe Park, where he and Betty live, and finds time for almost daily handball, for weekend golf and tennis, and for taking care of a 2-acre lawn.

Larry, Betty, and younger daughter, Susan, took a month's motor tour of Spain and Portugal last summer. Susan enters the Wayne State U. graduate school this fall. Older daughter, Sally, is obtaining her doctorate in education at the U. of Alabama, where her husband, Capt. Earle F. Lasseter, is in his final year of law school for the doctorate of laws.

Higher education continues to attract our own members as well as their progeny. Ray **Hill**, whose two daughters are both in college, and who has managed a construction firm with central offices in Savannah since his retirement in 1959, has now ceased this activity and was to enter the U. of Florida at Gainesville this fall to take graduate courses in physics, astronomy, and geology. He hopes eventually to teach physics, probably at the local state college. At Gainesville he will of course encounter on the faculty, although not in his areas of study, our own **Kirkpatrick**, who is still a professor there. Ray hopes that any other classmates coming to Gainesville during the school year will look him up.

Jack **Horner** continues to be with Chrysler's Space Operations in the Huntsville, Ala., area and expects to be there until he is eligible for retirement. He has sold his Virginia farm and has bought one in Giles County, Tenn., near Pulaski. His new address is The Mells, Route 1, Pulaski. Jack has established a pack of foxhounds and has been training them this summer, along with breaking a couple of colts and schooling other young horses to jump and hunt. He is also raising some cattle, and although he went rather light on this the first year, with ample rain and very good pastures he had enough to show a profit. A profitable country-gentleman rider sounds like a fine occupation, to say nothing of space operations.

Rudy **Fink** has put down strong roots in Ocean Springs, Miss., since he moved there from Mobile in 1960. He is a real estate broker, is president of the Biloxi-Ocean Springs Board of Realtors, and does extensive real estate appraisal work as well as selling. He is also trying his hand at politics; in an effort to help get a two-party system started in the area, he is running for the office of city alderman as a Republican. The Finks' older boy, Rudolph III, is sales manager for the Southwestern Co. in Pennsylvania, and the younger son, Albert, is finishing college at Mississippi Southern, where he majors in mathematics.

Also from Mississippi comes word from Monty **Montgomery** in Gulfport. The Montgomerys have a fine place on the beach with a guesthouse in back in which Monty has set up an office where he dabbles in stocks and bonds—"studies, analyses, etc., so far with luck," he says. Monty is a member of the Gulfport Rotary Club and Yacht Club, and has participated in Red Cross and Civil Defense activities. Highway 90 to New Orleans passes right by the Montgomerys at 5004 West Beach, and they would be happy to see anyone who could drop in for a visit.

Tony and Fran **Costello**'s daughter Toni Ann is engaged to 1st Lt. Lawrence D. Graves of the 1st Inf Div at Fort Riley. The Costellos are now living on Route 1, Casey Key, Nokomis, Fla., and Tony is VP and general manager of a real estate firm in Venice.

Whitside **Miller** has moved from Phoenix to San Pedro, Calif., where his address is 1766 El Rey Road, but I have been unable to elicit any further information from our affectionately regarded class goat.

Johnny **Theimer** has kindly agreed to continue as the San Francisco Bay Area correspondent following his retirement from Sixth Army at the Presidio. Johnny's new address is 310 Arballo Drive, San Francisco. This is in Parkmerced, a large housing development built and operated by Metropolitan Life, and Johnny says it's a dandy: all kinds of apartments—tower, garden, etc.—and complete facilities in a beautiful and well-kept development. Johnny has a tower apartment on the ninth floor which overlooks several golf courses and the ocean. The **McKenzies** live three floors above him and the **Heidlands** two apartments away. Johnny is active on two committees of the San Francisco AUSA chapter, and what with these, with lots of golf, and with many friends who feel that he's not eating well enough, he's been very busy since retirement.

Jim **Sladen** went salmon fishing last summer and encountered rough weather. He was tossed to the deck, injured his knee, and was in a cast from hip to ankle for several weeks. The salmon? He caught two nice kings, 20 and 22 lbs., and a smaller silver, so he considered the mission accomplished.

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You know where **We** are, but
We don't always know where **You** are.
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Other news from **Theimer** from the Bay Area: Larry **Brownlee** some years ago organized and became director of the neighborhood program of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Burlingame, and through this has become associated with a publishing company in the development of Northern California church directories. Larry is also teaching amateur fencing in San Francisco and was to participate in the fencing championships in Mexico City in October. He finished third in the sabre events there last year.

Ernie and Davey **Heidland** left in mid-June for a trip through the Pacific. Ernie submitted reports from Tahiti, Mount Cook, New Zealand, and Sydney, Australia, from whence he sent a piece of leather ("This, sir, is . . .") from a kangaroo he *said* he shot in the "outback."

The traveling **McKenzies** visited Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington in June. In July they spent a couple of weeks at a ranch in Oregon, and in August they were with the dolphins at Campbell River, British Columbia. Next February they are making a leisurely and lengthy trip through New Zealand and Australia.

The Bay Area group planned a September luncheon at the Presidio Officers Club, and Johnny says they usually have a good turnout.

The Washington group has had no scheduled activities since the June picnic to bid farewell to Weary and Jeanne **Wilson**. Jupe **Lindsey**'s coordinating committee was to meet in mid-September to plan the fall activities, which will probably include an October stag luncheon and a December cocktail-buffet with the ladies. Check with us for details if you plan to be in the Washington area.

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It is with the greatest regret that I begin these Notes with the announcement of Johnny **Hayden**'s death on 13 August. He had been having a lot of trouble with a bone in his leg, which was thought to be due to an old injury incurred in his riding days. It was finally diagnosed as cancer and he was sent to Brooke Army Hospital, where an exploratory operation disclosed a cancer-ridden kidney, so far gone as to be inoperable. His passing takes from us one of the most universally loved and respected members of the Class. As Happy **Brooks** put it: "Johnny was always helping everyone and saying nice things about them, and now everyone is trying to help his loved ones and saying the nicest things of him. He was truly a wonderful guy." We all join in sending our deepest sympathy to Glen in her bereavement. She can be reached through her brother-in-law, Maj. Gen. Ralph Osborne, 1012 Canterbury Hill, San Antonio, Tex.

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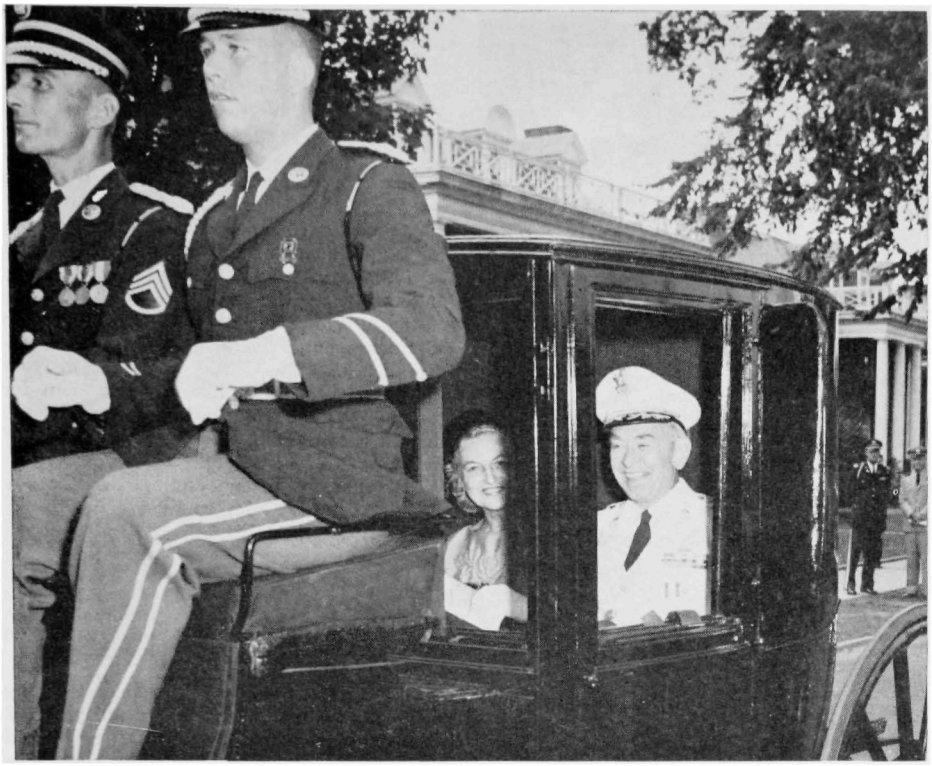
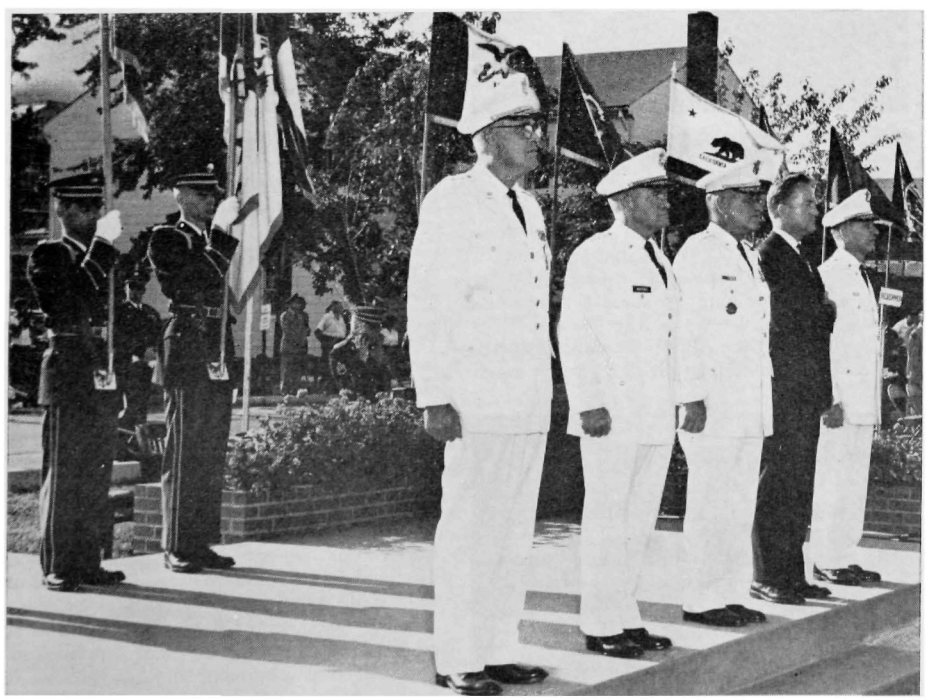


1930: Following Wood's retirement review at Ft. McNair, Wood and his wife were provided special transportation to a reception in their honor.

1930: Wehle with his family at reception given in his honor at the time of his retirement at Ft. Myer.



1930: Retirement review for Wehle (left) was held at Summerall Field, Ft. Myer, Va. With Wehle (l. to r.): Lt. Gen. Harvey Fischer, Gen. Creighton Abrams, Mr. Lloyd Hand, Col. Louis Gershenow.

The summer was full of retirements, many of them observed with considerable fanfare, both social and martial. It took Prep **Bradley's** people at the AF Logistics Command 2 full days to send him off in what they regarded as fitting style, the ceremonies including a dinner, a military review (at which Prep received the DSM), a luncheon, a golf match, and a reception. I am reliably informed by one of the participants that the highlight of the after-dinner merriment was a cleverly done presentation, titled "This Is Your Life," that featured photographs, film strips, cartoons, and other material covering a large part of Prep's long and distinguished career. He was also presented with the world's most sophisticated putter, equipped with a gyro-compass, automatic leveling device, built-in steel tape for measuring "gimmes," and other cockeyed gadgetry. Since he still shoots consistently in the low 80's, it's questionable whether he needs this kind of help. Spike **Eckert**, Pete **King**, Cayce **Odom**, and Bob **Wood** from the Washington area were able to make the trip to Dayton to help speed Prep on his way.

Bob **Wood's** send-off was also impressive. He was honored at Fort McNair with one of the superlative reviews that the 3d Infantry ("The Old Guard") presents with such precision and flair, replete with all the colorful and traditional trappings that the Army still does so well when the occasion demands. It was a fitting setting for the presentation of the DSM to Bob by the Secretary of the Army. This was followed by a brilliant reception in the ballroom of the McNair Officers Mess, attended by some 1,500 persons, including many classmates and a host of distinguished guests. Bob and Sarah will happily settle into the charming old place near Fredericksburg that they've been rehabilitating in their spare time over a number of years, and Bob insists that he has no present intention of seeking any employment other than that imposed by himself and their menage.

For sheer colorfulness it would be difficult to top Phil **Wehle's** retirement review. Of course, Phil had a leg up on anyone else, since as CG MDW for the last 2 years he not only supervised all the Army ceremonies at McNair, Myer, and Arlington, but also had responsibility for such hair-raising special occasions as President Kennedy's funeral and Mr. Johnson's inaugural parade. With this kind of experience and, obviously, the wholehearted cooperation of all the troops in his command, he and his staff were able to put together a pretty spectacular formation. It featured, in addition to the normal review, a special trooping of all the state flags, a bona fide tallyho painted yellow with black trim as the vehicle to carry Phil and his party on his inspection of the troops, a small, mounted detachment riding the Army's last horses, a fly-over of helicopters and, as a final touch, a genuine pack mule, Phillips packsaddle and all, led by a soldier in the OD field uniform of the 1930's, even to his campaign hat! The only thing missing was a flight of Signal Corps carrier pigeons. It was a fine, nostalgic, note on which to end an exceptional career that has seen Phil serve with everything from pack mules to whirlybirds. He was awarded the DSM, the presentation being made by the Chief of Protocol, who stressed the invaluable services rendered to the White House by Phil and his troops.

Locally, during August, a goodly number of us were invited by Cayce and Mollie **Odom** to meet their son's fiancée at a delightful cocktail-buffet. Young Herb and Miss Diana Landen were married in September

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1930: At Bradley's retirement. Left to right: Bradley, McClernon, Mrs. McClernon, Mrs. Bradley, W.A. Davis.

and will live in Cambridge, Herb being in pursuit of his Ph.D. at Harvard and his bride working for her Master's (in Drama) at Tufts. They are a very attractive and talented young couple.

I learn from Rod **Carmichael's** sister Billie (Mrs. George Mather '32) that Rod is happily up to his ears in work, helping a cancer research project near his home in Sarasota by managing a sort of commercial fishery that provides live fish to the project for experimental purposes. He and Georgia, by all reports, are well and flourishing. It was also pleasant to receive notification from Guy **Emery's** former law firm that it will continue to use his name in its title, a very thoughtful and appropriate tribute to Guy's memory. Ted **Kimpton** came back from his Spanish academic venture in June and has accepted a position on the faculty of Bethany College in West Virginia.

Mandy **Mandelbaum** wound up his 2-year project with Stanford Research Institute in Bangkok in April and he and Evelyn took their time coming home by way of Delhi, Karachi, Teheran, Israel, Athens, Rome, Paris, and London. Mandy wrote: "It was a most delightful, interesting, and at times, exciting trip. We met many old friends, and ate our way around two-thirds of the world with a variety of cuisines to arouse the envy of the most meticulous gourmet. It was truly a once-in-a-lifetime vacation; our only regret is that we arrived in New York too late for reunion." He also passed on the following information about our "Siamese twins": "I attempted to contact Swasti **Pradisdh**, who, I was told, is alive but had withdrawn from his family and friends and had gone into self-imposed isolation or exile in North Thailand. I sent him several letters through mutual Thai friends and officers, but with no reply. We saw Moon **Sudasna's** widow, Lady Tatsniya, frequently and became quite good friends; also, on the way home we saw their son Ctar, who is studying in London." This is the first accurate information we have had about Swasti since his unexplained disappearance over 3 years ago.

1930: AF Secretary Zuckert presents DSM to Bradley during retirement ceremonies at Wright-Patterson AFB, 31 July.

Reportedly, Bob **Ports** had a heart attack last summer, but if so it doesn't seem to have slowed him up much; at last report he was busily whomping up some sort of class get-together in the Palo Alto area in connection with the ARMY-Stanford football game. The **Ammermans** had a pretty rough time of it during August. First, Fred pulled some back ligaments that laid him flat, and then young Freddy, having just reported at Bliss, was hauled directly from the plane to William Beaumont Hospital for an emergency operation to remove a colonic tumor. Dottie had two invalids on her hands for most of the month, but I'm happy to report that both came out of it all right.

A card from Rutgers University announces the appointment of Bill **Whipple** as director of its Water Resources Research Institute. Judging from the precarious state of the New England water resources that one reads so much about, it seems high time that someone conducted a little research in that field, and Bill looks like just the man for the job. A note from Jack **Walsh** tells me that his son Tom, who entered the AF Academy in July 63, left it in October 64. We all share his disappointment that the boy did not complete the course.

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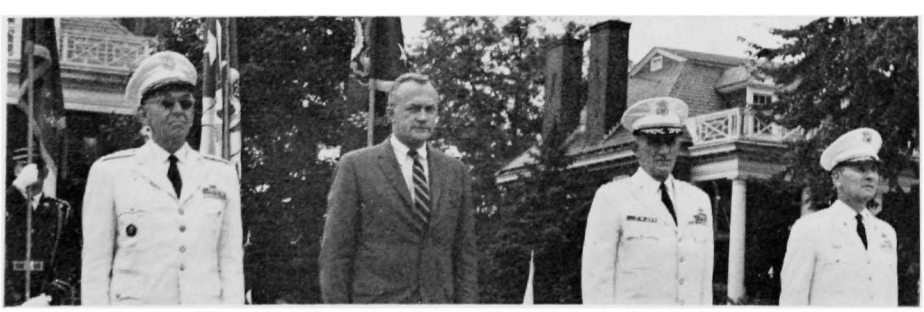

1930: With Wood (left) at his retirement review at Ft. McNair are (l. to r.): Mr. Stanley R. Resor, Secretary of the Army, Gen. H.K. Johnson, Army C/S, Col. Louis Gershenow, Acting CO, MDW.

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Back to the old grind of school teaching and column writing after an enjoyable 2 months for Betty and me in Europe. We did our best but didn't see too many classmates on our trip. We stopped in Munich, but both Chet **Ott** and Steve **Hamner** were out at official lunches—free meals, no doubt. I had a letter from Chet after our arrival home, and he says that he and Virginia expect to be in the U.S. next year and will try to make the reunion. Frank and Fay **Pachler** hosted us very nicely to an excellent lunch and cocktails in Heidelberg (not both on the same day). Frank and Fay both look fine. Frank is working harder than ever to keep USAREUR on an even keel, but he finds time for an occasional game of golf—with a good score occasionally. It was nice to be again with a person who has a reserved parking platz at the officers' club.

We also called on Willie and Barbara **Bell** in Oslo. Willie is enjoying his work(?), and Barbara is enjoying the perquisites that come with it—the nice house and the propinquity of Oslo, a very enjoyable city. Bob **Lee** visited Willie recently for some fishing, and, I understand, with good results. We didn't include Paris in our itinerary, so naturally we didn't get to see any of the group there. We missed Gus **Heiss** and family in The Hague, but have since heard from him that they are returning to the U.S.A. in August or September and will have the Army-Navy Club as a temporary address.

On the other fronts, Bill **Cassidy** has taken over as Chief of Engineers and a 3d star. Johnny and Wilma **Davis** have moved to Washington where Johnny is now ACSI. Johnny also made the tactical error of not attending the August luncheon with the result that he was unanimously and democratically elected to the post of class president. Other officers are: Eddie **Brown**, VP; Bill **Hardick**, social secretary; and me, secretary.

I had a change-of-address card from Ernie **Easterbrook** indicating that he was leaving Thailand and coming back to be Deputy CG, Sixth Army at the Presidio.

Some members of the Class were the recipients of honors that you should know about. Ted **Timberlake** was honored on his retirement with a presentation of the Reserve Officers Association Minuteman Hall of Fame Award. Ted joins ex-President

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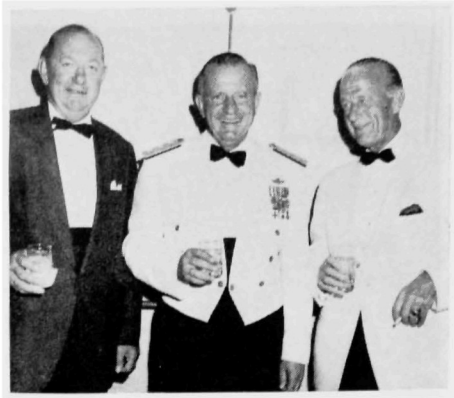
1931: Fort Meade party. Left to right (foreground): Bob Hackett, Klemm Boyd, Quinney Brown.



1931: With Timberlake (center) following his retirement ceremonies at Robins AFB. Muenter (left) and "Dead-eye" Henry.

Harry Truman, the late President Kennedy, and Gen. LeMay as a member of that select group. We extend the congratulations of the Class on the award. You will also note somewhere around, a picture of Ted at his retirement ceremony at Robins AFB, surrounded by Bert **Muenter** on the left and "dead-eye" Henry on the right. Ted and Marge will retire to Hilton Head Island, S.C. Doc **Strother** was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by Southwestern College, Winfield, Kan., this past June. Doc attended this college before joining us some years ago. Doc also delivered the commencement address at Southwestern this year. Again, our congratulations on the award.

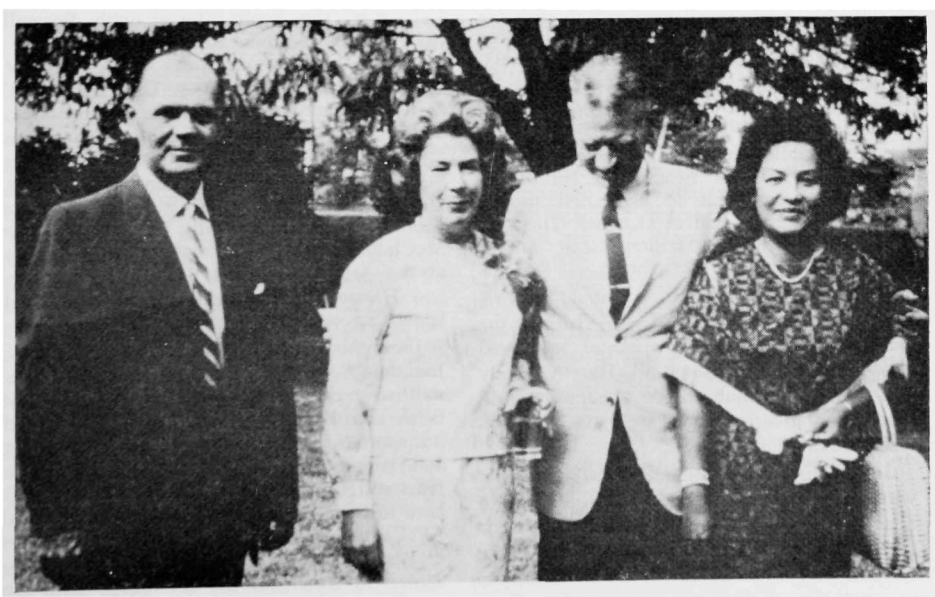
Earle **Cook** has been elected VP of the U.S. Army Association, and Bob **Hackett** has just finished serving a year as the president of the Association of ICAF, in addition to finishing his year as our class president.

Curt **Herrick** has departed JUSMMAT in Turkey and will take over as boss of the Military District of Washington about 1 October. Bert **Muenter,** in addition to sending the aforementioned picture, stated that he and seven other classmates attended a luncheon for Tom **Stayton** when Tom left for ARADCOM. The others present were: Jack **Gordon** (Jack finally attended a luncheon that he didn't have to pick up the tab for), Al **Greene,** Gordon **Cusack,** Leo **Cather,** Paul **Mayo,** Johnny **Sullivan,** and Ernie **Peters.** I forgot to mention that Willie **Bell** told us that he would probably be retiring next April and planned to spend most of his time clipping coupons.

Don **Buchwald** wrote that the presentation of the class gifts (pistols) to the graduating class sons during June Week went off in good style. A picture of the event, featuring Helen, Chuck, and Ernie **Westpheling.** and Cam and Cam W. **McConnell,** ran in the last (summer) issue of ASSEMBLY in the picture section under the heading "They honored." Also present for that ceremony along with Buchwald: Louis **Guenther.** Jane Westpheling (no threat for a class pistol) and Dick and Roslyn **Steinbach's** daughter (Don didn't say which one) were also present. Don was supposed to be in Washington the latter part of June, but since I was away I can't report on that. I also have a couple of pictures that were taken at a party at Fort Meade in May. I think 'most everybody is easily recognizable, but just in case (l. to r.): Clyde **McBride,** Bill and Charlotte **Train,** Georgina McBride. In the other picture (I don't think there is any danger that you will mix them up): Bob **Hackett,** Klemm **Boyd,** Quinney **Brown.** The ladies in the background are Barbara Hackett and Pat **Hunter.**

I received a note from Johnny **Waters** in our 50th state hoping that we could come up with some good ideas for the 35th Reunion. Johnny said that we have Andy **Adams,** Carl **Carlmark,** Duke **Burroughs,** and himself out there willing to help.

Speaking of the 35th, I won't mention much here on account of you should have received a letter giving you what details we have before you read this column. The committee for the festivities consists of Don **Buchwald,** Warren **Hoover,** Curly **Wilson,** and myself. If you haven't received the letter, or if you have ignored it, let this be a warning to you to wake up, and, as Johnny **Waters** said at the end of his letter, "Let's make the 35th a live one."



1931: Fort Meade party. Left to right: Clyde McBride, Charlotte and Bill Train, Georgina McBride.

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The mail brought a smooth picture of Al **Gerhardt** and Nora together with the Consul General V.C. di Montezemolo at the Italian Consulate in New York City just after being presented Italy's second highest award, "the Knight Officer in the Order of Merit of the Republic." The award was partially an expression of gratitude for the efforts of his command in the rescue operations of the Vajont Dam disaster in October 1963.

Well, we '32 members of the teaching profession attended all class summer meetings which shows our hearts are in the right place. At the July meeting, yours truly got tangled up and entered the dining room reserved for the Secretary of the Army and his retinue. Without a moment's hesitation with a beckon to a nearby attendant, I was ushered out through various doorways until I broke into the appropriate salon . . . properly guided by the waiter. It was really a grand entrance, particularly since I was an hour late due to an appointment at Walter Reed, and the meal was over. I was impressed when the adjournment was delayed for some

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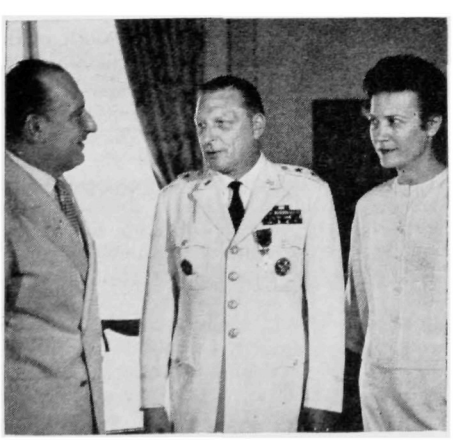
1932: Helen Pryor (right) with daughter Lynda and her husband, Jerry, at the Pryor home in Orlando.

minutes in order to permit the kitchen to serve me luncheon. I say impressed because the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and one of his immediate assistants, the C/S of the Air Force were in attendance. I must admit it's not the best way to make an impression, but what can a peon do?

The August meeting was equally impressive. Frank **Besson**, for example, pulled out his well-broken-in corncob and thereby added much aroma to the gathering. This is a good spot to encourage those in the area or visiting nearby to attend these monthly meetings. Attendance varies. For example, in addressing one whose face was familiar I asked where he had served. It turned out to be **Sinclair**, ex-'32 who was found yearling Christmas. He's some steel magnate now working in Pittsburgh. Besides, where else can you get a meal with cocktails for 2 bucks? Visitors Parking is not cluttered at this hour (12 noon); meetings are generally held on the 3d Thursday of the month; and to assure yourself of the time and place of the meeting, call Ash **Manhart**. Even though he may not be handy, his staff is efficient and will steer you straight.

I must mention Pete **Hinshaw** who, in his function as an official of the Gillette Co., attended the August meeting. This is to remind you, Pete, that I'm still awaiting your notes about that active Boston group we talked about. The deadline has already passed, so I'll await your report for the winter issue. It's always nice to meet this classmate because he always has some booty to distribute such as pen sets, razor blades, hair tonic, etc., but more important, he usually gives me a lot of dope about our New England contingent.



1932: Al and Nora Gerhardt with Italian Consul General V.C. di Montezemolo following presentation of Italian decoration to Al.

Now for a little news on the distaff side. During my usual summer visits to Walter Reed, I dropped in on Dort **Fischer** who was convalescing in Ward 8 after surgery. Now, Ward 8 is quite a nice place to visit and with Dort as a visiteress that made it doubly so. I'm sure Dort herself would have chosen another spot for a sojourn, but I was told that Harvey had taken her for a wonderful vacation in Florida just prior to her confinement so she was looking well despite the ordeal. The next day Dossi dropped out to visit Dort, and while they were chatting in the attractive lounge, the renowned Senator "Ev" Dirksen appeared with his wife and the head nurse, who made the introductions, and a pleasant little visit ensued before the Senator and his wife departed.

Another distaffer known to many of us is Gina Throckmorton who recently drove out to see Dossi one fine morning while I was at school, teaching. They meet frequently at the Fort Myer Chapel on Sundays. Gina, together with the rest of the dependents, was evacuated some 6 months ago from Saigon. It was shortly after their son Tom, '60, had been badly wounded. The exciting piece of news is that one night while Dossi was viewing the "Tonight" show, the famous Georgie Jessel commenting on Johnny Carsons's admiration for his excellent apparel, stated something to the effect that he'd had it made while on a tour to Saigon on the recommendation of General Throckmorton. He mentioned Gen. Throckmorton ('35) again, and this news was quickly relayed to Gina, but by the time son John '66 could turn on TV, the conversation had changed to other matters. Good work, Johnny. Now 66 million people know you're in Vietnam.

La Trelle **Duncan** has been trying to set up a date for us to visit Monroe since last May. Their summer was filled with visiting relatives and as Pop is as busy as the one-armed paperhanger, we haven't been able to settle on a weekend. Pop had to take off on a trip early in September immediately after they had made a tour to look over the college situation for the future for son David. That same Labor Day weekend our son Bill was home for a visit. Bill is back in the Navy and attending the Naval School at Dam Neck, Virginia Beach, Va., in preparation for assignment to a guided missile cruiser around the end of October. The ship is at present in the Mediterranean, but is home-ported at Norfolk, so we hope to have opportunities to visit and be visited. We are, however, looking forward to visiting the Duncans and Bill some weekend soon and also hope to see Dort and Harvey, Polly and Hurly Hurlbut, Steve Chappuis, and others in that area whom we have not seen for quite a long while.

So much for the summer news—a somewhat dry period for Scribes. We would like to hear from Ken **Zitzman**. He must have some rare ones by now. This does not exclude Boston, San Francisco, and San Antonio to say nothing of Europe and the Far East. Get going fellows!!

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Broshous writes: "Apparently our Class is over the hump, indicating that we are getting old. Even though '69 is the largest class in USMA history (1,138 on 1 July) not one son of '33 is among them." **Clainos, Fairchild, Otto,** and **Whelihan** have sons in '66; **Parr** in '67; and **Ratcliffe** and **Johnson** in '68.

Our class parties have always been good ones, and the dinner dance at the A-N Country Club was certainly no exception. Dottie **Doleman** represented Ed, and there were 53 others present on 10 July. **Baumer** is back on the job; he recently had a good visit with **Hurlbut** at Monroe. Blanche **Bellican** tells of Pete's work with the State Department's AID in Saigon; as Chief for Logistics he briefed Ambassador Lodge recently. She moved a few doors down the street here in Foxhall Village to 1577 44th St. and is busy getting the place fixed up for his return.

Ely tells of his three boys: one of whom is being drafted; one is active in the AFROTC and has 1 more year at Western Michigan; and one will enter Wilmington College this fall. Helen likes her work as a member of the board of the Army Distaff Foundation.

Bing and Bimby **Downing** continue full-time in the boat business, and spend half their time in the Bay Area with most weekends being taken up with selling activities. Their daughter Lynn married a USNA '62 grad, Joe Lane, who was commissioned in the Army Engineers and is now stationed in Germany. They expect to return to Belvoir next year with a baby girl, Tracey, who gives grandpa a lot to talk about. Son Donn went to post-grad journalism school at Missouri and is now the White House correspondent for *Time*.

Breit stayed on his job with RAC while Nancy visited their 4- and 2½-year-old grandsons at Offutt AFB. Billy and Betty **Clarke** have 4 grandchildren; their youngest daughter, Lindy, begins her 2d year at Drew U. this fall. **Scott** writes of his trip to San Francisco to give away his eldest daughter, Sandra, at her marriage to Mr. Michael Sharp; they now live in Omaha where young Sharp is with IBM. In San Antonio, Bruce talked with the **Grubbses.** Rosy and Jane are enjoying life there, where he keeps busy as manager of a group of apartment houses. In California, the Scotts stayed with **Boswell** (835 Black Mountain Rd. in Hillsboro) who is in the business, in quite a big way, of building retirement villages. They had a ball at Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm; had a dinner later with the Hadley **Richardsons** and saw their sailboat. About Hadley, Bruce says, "When your vocation is your avocation, you've got it made." In San Antonio, the Scotts had cocktails with Mac and Dodie **McClelland**, who then took them to dinner at the Argyle Club. At Sam Houston, Billy and Harriet **Harris** invited some Army-brat friends to see them.

Jimmy and Joey **Polk**'s daughter, Mrs. Jonathan Schwartz Jr., is the president of the southwest chapter of the Army Daughters at Bliss. Tom **Evans** was elected VP in charge of transportation operations and the purchasing and supply departments of Swift and Co. Jean and Lessie **Engler**'s daughter, who was here in Sen. Yarborough's office, has married AF Lt. Edwin B. Connerat Jr., and now lives at Warner Robins AFB. **Zierath** has been assigned to command the XV Corps with Hq at the Presidio of San Francisco. **Hoebeke,** who lives at 7523 Currin Dr. in Dallas, asks

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that his association with the Episcopal church fund "be scratched." Billy and Harriet **Harris's** girls are in the Executive Central Apts. in Arlington; Punkin is with DA and Elizabeth with CIA. **Johnson**, as Army C/S, made a strong and effective plea before the Senate Armed Services Committee for adequate increase in military pay and allowances. The troopship named for Bill **Darby** has been assigned to assist in the Vietnam build-up. In June **Stilwell** wrote: "... the current box score is: spleen removed and 18 bones broken. I was released from the hospital. Just got the foot casts off and shoes on, so should be on the job fairly soon." And he is. Recently Joe, as CG of the John F. Kennedy Center for Special Warfare, asked the Limited Warfare Lab to find means for reducing the helicopter casualty rate in Vietnam.

President Dave **Gibbs** has hand-picked this slate and unless there is some unforeseeable and violent objection, the new governing body will be: president—Milt **Summerfelt**; 1st VP—Sid **Giffin**; 2d VP—Harry **King**; sec/treas—Phil **Pope**.

Gilbert continues to teach 8th grade math in Fairfax and Mich handles high-school freshmen in English. Their oldest, Doug Jr., is out of the Service and selling planes in Hartford; he has 2 children. Riene is a 1st Lt. at a guided missile base in Germany; he earned an M.A. degree at Catholic U. Randolph has graduated from Lynchburg College in Virginia. Their youngest, Curt, is a senior in high school. Mary Ann **Fuqua** says Steve is on a trip to South America; son Paul is a student at Georgetown U. and Stephen at Gonzaga High. Ruth and Fred **Gibb** have had an influx of visitors that kept their place jumping for awhile. Fred expects to have his final physical at Walter Reed in December and be permanently retired with his present disability rating of 70%; he has been on the TDRL for some time.

Harris called from Fort Sam to report that **Pearson's** son, Jimmy, who a short time ago won national parachuting honors and is now a captain in the Army, will soon be discharged from Brooke AMC with a clean bill of health. Billy said that **Frentzel** is the principal commissioner for tennis in the Fourth Army area and in addition to teaching math is his school's assistant tennis coach. He says **Arnette** is out of the hospital and feeling OK. **Beeler's** son, Woody, earned a Ph.D. degree and is serving his military obligation as a Lt. in the MSC at Rucker. Emory **Hackman** Jr., says he is very active in ROTC at West Virginia U. and hopes to receive a regular commission when he graduates. His father continues to busy himself at Johns Hopkins' applied physics lab. Dave and Betty **Gibbs** have moved to an apartment in River House; with the kids away their place at McLean was just too big. Dave recently visited West Point where he saw the new construction getting underway. It may take as many as 7 years to complete.

Mo and Ethel **Kaiser** stayed for a month last summer in the **Guineys'** house in Highland Falls while the Guineys took a trip to Europe; they were visited there by their daughter and their son, who is a USMA instructor. Mo has won the Virginia state smallbore rifle championship, and at Perry this year he coached a civilian team from Virginia. **Ryan** is a consultant for North American Aviation. Marge says that their daughter and son-in-law ("P" Farrell's son) are now in Verona where he is an aide to George Power ('32). Bert and June **Sparrow** will come to Washington in October; Bert has been ordered to duty as Director of Programs for DCSPER. **Thinnes's** wife, Anna Marie, is in the U.S. with a troop of trained horses from Spain. **Gallagher** has a job as the GSA representative in the Office of Emergency Planning. Bob now lives at 6404 Cavalier Corridor in Falls Church. Ned and Gladys **Gee** have moved back into their house at 4506 N. 33d St. in Arlington; Ned is the Deputy U.S. Representative to the NATO Military Committee. In June he went to a high-ranking conference overseas which was also attended by **Disosway, Dahlen, Zierath, Johnson, Quinn, Gray**, and **Chase**. **Thorlin** retired on 1 August.

Conway has been transferred to the Pentagon as AC/S for Force Development. **Tripp**, VP of the Acme Dunnage and Service Co., San Francisco, writes that he and Effie have moved to the Piedmont section in the hills overlooking Oakland; their son has 2 boys and works for Bechtel in nearby Concord. He golfs with Herb on Saturday mornings when Ed isn't someplace else in the world on a business trip. **Mack** was elected a member of the board of directors of the Bay Area West Point Society. **Van Way** is still a real estate tycoon. Fran (**Gates**) Mueller says her son, Dick Gates, is teaching at USMA, and son Sam Gates married a Chilean girl and is on duty with the U.S. Army in Chile. Hoy **Davis** keeps busy with the Bay Area Rapid Transit planning staff during working hours, and landscaping around his and Rosamond's home in Lafayette the rest of the time. As Bruce said, **Boswell** wheels and deals in real estate, "and is always ready for a party." **Lonning** is still going to school, parttime, with considerable vacationing on the Presidio's golf course. He "just bought a very attractive home in the hills of Marion County (137 Jordan Ave., San Anselmo)."

George and Teeny **Powers** are having their 3d tour at Bliss; this time George is CG; only 2 of their 8 children are living at home.

Posie **Neely**, who has "fallen madly in love with the Spaniards en masse," says that this has been a much busier year for Bob in his work in Munich for Boeing than they expected. They sorely miss the government allowance for quarters and rations and getting an apartment and furnishing it in Munich makes Washington house-hunting seem like child's play."

Fields writes that they went with the Bus **Evanses** and the **Gotts** to Dick **Moore's** for dinner recently; that they have 3 children—a USNA graduate Navy Lt.; a daughter who is an architect; and a son who is a senior at Harvard. Ken is a member of the Atlantic-Pacific Interoceanic Canal Study Commission. **Doleman** is Dpty Comdr in Chief, Pacific, with station in Hawaii.

And so it goes.

'34

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About a week ago (last week in August) I received a letter from the Association of Graduates, announcing that "we will be looking for your class notes copy by 10 September." This jolted me a little and made me

1934: John Anderson Jr. (left), and Charles E. Brown Jr., sons of '34 classmates admire silver cigarette boxes they received as gifts from the Class.

realize that the position of class secretary/historian is not just an honorary one, so I went scurrying about compiling all the facts and gossip I could collect and here they are. (Jack **Schaefer** turned so much paper over to me that I haven't gotten it all read yet.)

Jack in the last ASSEMBLY Notes mentioned the presentation of the class gift to the 2 sons of classmates who graduated this year from the Academy. Well, we received a very nice "thank you" letter from Charlie **Brown** Jr., in which he enclosed a picture of the two shavetails, Charles E. Brown Jr., and John T. **Anderson**, holding the silver cigarette boxes. The engraving is almost readable on the box in Charlie Jr.'s hands.

Bill **Kern** had his new home built almost to specifications. He moved from an apartment in Laurel, Md.. and his new address is 7624 Midday Lane, Alexandria, Va. 22306. Anne is busy unpacking things she hasn't seen for a long time, and older daughter Lawrie is with the Smithsonian Institute as a museum technician in the department of American costume. Besides his regular work with AMC, Bill is taking an evening course or two toward a master's degree at George Washington U.

When Burt **Bruce** transfers to the new T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, he will be the chairman of the mathematics department. He is anticipating the new position with some pleasure since it is within easy walking distance of his home. Besides the opportunity to get a little exercise, it'll also save the wear and tear on his nerves by not having to drive in the Virginia traffic.

A good turnout was had for the annual meeting on 17 June at Arlington Hall. Lou Walsh presided and those attending were: **Barnes, Gerhart, O'Hara, Miller, Bunker, Hills, Walsh, Stevens, Tyson, Corrigan, Lewis, Lipscomb, Brown, Cary, Routh, Bruce** and **Foote**.

The president's report was presented in which he reviewed the highlights of the year. The secretary/historian's report was read and the financial report indicated we are solvent. Details of the reports and a roster of the committees appointed by the new president at the July meeting are included in the August bulletin.

Johnny **Darrah** writes that Cookie and he have been goofing off on a leisurely trip to and from San Francisco, with much sightseeing and a space-available trip to Hawaii included. While in Hawaii they saw Harry and Betty **Lardin**; he is a big wheel in civil defense, and Betty is executive secretary of a civic group trying to prevent the destruction

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1934: Fourth of July at Cy Betts's ol' swimming hole. **Back row** (l. to r.): Dale Smith, Rosa Barnes, Virginia Smith, Faith Edson, Elinor O'Hara. **Front row:** Fred Barnes, Cy Betts, Pat Betts, Hal Edson, Jim O'Hara.

or "billboarding" of Honolulu's terrific scenery. They joined Harry and Betty in meeting the transport to say Aloha to the Snees, who were also enjoying a space-available trip to the 50th state. Jim and Louise **Snee** looked fine and happy in their retired status. Johnny said that he could not get surface "space available" back from the Islands, but did get MATS assistance. Before they left Texas, Johnny said he and Cookie had enjoyed Jabo and Virgie's visit on their way to Mexico. As a footnote, Johnny added that en route to California they visited with Pidge **Van Nostrand** Athon in El Paso. She enjoyed going through "Thirty Years After." Young Bill graduated from S.M.U. last year, accepted a regular commission in the Air Force, and is now somewhere in the DC area. Johnny adds that he is sure Van would be pleased that his son is following a military career.

Fred **Barnes** advised your Scribe that Pidge was visiting young Bill and his bride of last December in late August. Pidge is managing an apartment and her address is Sutton Place Apts., 350 Thunderbird Dr. at Shadow Mountain Rd., El Paso, Tex. (That's a real address isn't it?)

Cy **Betts** got some of the idea men of the Class together around the ol' swimming hole to assist Hal **Edson** in selecting his new career on a quick trip he made to Washington early in July.

As the 3d Thursday of July rolled around we all made our way to Arlington Hall. Fred **Barnes** convened the meeting with 16 in attendance as follows: **Barnes, Barton, Beazley, Betts, Corrigan, Craig, Gerhart, Jablonsky, Kern, Lewis, MacDonnell, O'Hara, Routh, Schaefer, Stevens** and **Tyson.** Everyone was especially glad to see Jabo, who is en route to Iran, and Beazley who has come back to the city to live. Beaz is staying at the "Y" until he finds a place to his liking.

It's hard to keep up with Lee **Miller**, but we think he'll stay put for a while now that he's had to sign a lease. His new address is Apt. 112, Wheeler Helenwood, 3333 University Blvd., West, Kensington, Md. 20795.

And Charlie **White** sent a change of address: 7619 Quail Run, San Antonio, Tex. 78209. Bob **Bahr** says he's getting lonesome to see some of the ol' gang so don't forget him if you're down Savannah way.

The August luncheon was again well attended. Sixteen were there. They were: **Lipscomb, O'Hara, Stevens, Barnes, MacDonnell, Craig, Tyson, Barton, Cary, Schaefer, Spivy, Brown, Corrigan,** Sievers, **Kern** and **Betts.** Fred Barnes presiding, called special attention to the fact that this would be the last luncheon for a while for Bill Craig and Tom Lipscomb. Bill is to be Director of Military Assistance Div at EUCOM, Paris, France. His new address will be the same as above except that Paris, France, is dropped and APO New York 09128 substituted. And Tom is to command Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. His address will be: Commanding General, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

The president expressed the gratitude of the Class to Bill **Craig** for the wonderful hospitality extended to the members of the Class while he was the CG of Arlington Hall. All present joined in thanking Bill.

Jack **Schaefer**, chairman of the entertainment committee, announced that the social calendar for this year would include: (a.) an evening party in late October or early November; (b.) a coed luncheon with our wives in December; and (c.) a dinner dance with our USNA '34 friends in the spring. Full details will be distributed to the Washington area contingent when time and place are firm. If anyone outside the metropolitan area is interested, please contact either Jack or your secretary, and we'll put you on the mailing list.

I just recently heard of the death of Hudson **Upham's** youngest son, Hudson Moore Upham, in Boise, Idaho. Young Hudson, who had just celebrated his 21st birthday, died in his sleep of a cerebral hemorrhage on 26 March 65, while at home from college on vacation. The sympathy of the Class is extended to the members of the family.

Bill **Moorman**, who has been CG of the U.S. Army Electronics Command, is planning to retire in early October. After retirement he wants to work on his Ph.D. and eventually to teach electronics in college. He has bought a house, and on or about 1 October he and Marion will be residing at 175 Cloverdale Circle, New Shrewsbury, N.J. 07724.

Hal and Faith **Edson** after looking over the southland have decided to settle in the Washington, D.C., area and have purchased a new home at 3930 N. Upland St., Arlington, Va. 22207. Hal is with the Combat Operations Research Group (CORG) at Fort Lee and jaunts home for the weekends.

Bill **Tank** has finished his course at Duke U. and is now head of the mathematics department at Norwich Univ., Northfield, Vt. His new address will be 1 Shaw Circle, Northfield, Vt. 05663.

'Tis with regret that I close this account without the latest happenings of Willie **Voehl.** Since retirement he has kept up his contacts, just as he did when he was the Scribe. So, Willie, please drop us a chronicle for the new issue of ASSEMBLY. And all you other classmates that I haven't seen since plebe year, tell me what you have been doing or what your families are doing, so I can pass it along in these columns.

Yes, postcards *are* acceptable.

'35

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In case someone missed it, the best picture of our 30th Reunion is the one on page 9 in the last ASSEMBLY. This was taken at the picnic on Constitution Island. If there are any of those faces you can't identify, drop me a line and I'll try to straighten things out. Please notice the horns Bob **Stillman** gave Charlie **Rich.**

The Department of Army has never had a closed season on quick transfers for brigadier generals, and recently it has become apparent that major generals get the same treatment. As reported in the last issue, Stumpy **Haug** left Washington for a job in Atlanta, but a month later he was sent to Okinawa. The speed of that change of station is exceeded by George **Eckhardt** who came home from Iran to command the Army Air Defense Region in Kansas City, Mo. Exactly one day later another change of address card reported him as CG, Fort Riley, Kan. Well, anyway, he didn't have to move quite so far.

The triumvirate of '35ers in the general officer positions at Fort Knox was broken by Frank **Murdoch's** orders to Europe, reported in the last issue. Now Tiger **Beall** has departed to become Chief of Staff, Third Army, leaving only Andy Jack **Boyle** of the Class of '35 to hold down the fort.

The spate of 30-year retirements has passed. It should be noted that they did not all simply fade away. Some went out in a blaze of glory in the form of awards of the Legion of Merit, which is our country's second highest peacetime honor. Six of these reported so far are: **Foreman, Hill, Moore** J.C., **Tucker** R.E., **Waterman,** and **Weld.**

Al **Foreman** retired as Asst C/S for Operations, Hq First Army. Al and Marjorie now live at 317 100th St., Brooklyn, N.Y. They have four sons: Allen H. Jr., is a civil engineer with North Carolina State Highway Div; Robert J. has recently graduated from Montana State U; Thomas A. is a sophomore at City College of New York; and James R. is a senior at Peter Stuyvesant High School in Manhattan.

George **Hill** retired as Commander, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.; George **Jones** was down from Hq Fifth Army to present Hill's oak leaf cluster to his previously earned Legion of Merit. George and Edna now live at 5300 Westport Rd., Chevy Chase, Md.

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They have three teen-age sons: George P. III, Rowland, and Billy.

Joe **Moore** retired as Deputy Commander 6th Region, Army Air Defense Command at Fort Baker, Calif. New address and activities not yet received.

Bob **Tucker** retired as Secretary of the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Va. He and Veronica live at 1103 Claremont Ave. in Norfolk.

Bernie **Waterman** retired as Deputy Commander 1st Region, Army Air Defense Command at Fort Totten, N.Y. Bernie has taken a position as executive director of the Citizens' Scholarship Fund of America, Inc., in Fall River, Mass.

Seth **Weld** retired as Chief of Staff Fourth Army. He also received an oak leaf cluster to his Legion of Merit. New address and activities not yet received, except that he is making his home in San Antonio.

Frank **McGoldrick** returned from Korea and is now Commanding 5th Region, Army Air Defense Command at Fort Sheridan, Ill. To keep up the '35 representation in Korea Bud **Schlanser** left Aberdeen and is now with Hq Eighth Army in Seoul. He and Jill are probably reminiscing with Charlie and Betty **Rich** about the wonderful reunion last June.

Frank **Osmanski** recently returned to Washington from Vietnam, and is with the Army Materiel Command. Of course Edie came home many months ago when all the dependents were returned. They now live at 2000 South Eads St., Arlington, but they are building a home on Belle Haven Rd. in Alexandria. Their family is really spread out, so that it will be difficult to get them together for Christmas. Ellen is working in N.Y.C. and lives there; Alex is at the U. of Puget Sound, in Takoma, Wash; and Richard is at Claremont Men's College in Calif.

Ray and Mary **Firehock,** with Peter, the youngest of their 3 sons, finally finished their travels, the long way home from Hawaii, following Ray's retirement last winter. They are back in their home at 501 South Irving St., Arlington, Va. Robert Firehock, you may remember, is one of 6 sons of '35 in the Class of '68 at USMA. He ranked 11th in his Class last June. Chest up, Ray. Buddy, their eldest son, heads up a family with 2 small children since graduating from Yale and "post-gradding" at Princeton. He and his family live in Washington where he has a good position with the government.

As an encouragement to some of these new retirees who still have children to educate, here is a brief report on Bob **Greenlee.** Bob retired last February and got such a fine offer from North American that he couldn't refuse. He and Jackie live at 8910 Captain's Row, Stratford-on-Potomac, which is south of Alexandria. Their eldest son, Halford Jr., works at Cape Kennedy; John is a senior in high school; and Frankie is in junior high. Wouldn't you know an old sailor like Bob would end up living in "Captain's Row"?

Fred and Rusty **Hall** just got back in time from a summer of study in France (Fred to get his Doctorate and Rusty her Master's, or something like that!) for Fred to give away their lovely daughter, Alice, in marriage to Mr. Denis Clyde Horne. The beautiful wedding was held on 21 August in historic Pohick Church, and was followed by a gala reception at Mackenzie Hall, Fort Belvoir. The young couple will live in the Washington area, but Fred and Rusty with the rest of their charming family returned to their home in Tallahassee, Fla., where Fred is on the faculty of the university.

In the last report there was a note on Burnis **Kelly,** but it did not present his greatest claim to fame. Burnis claims to be the champion grandfather of the Class of '35. He and Connie have 13 grandchildren! If any of you can excel, tie, or even approach that record, please drop a line, and it will be duly publicized.

'36

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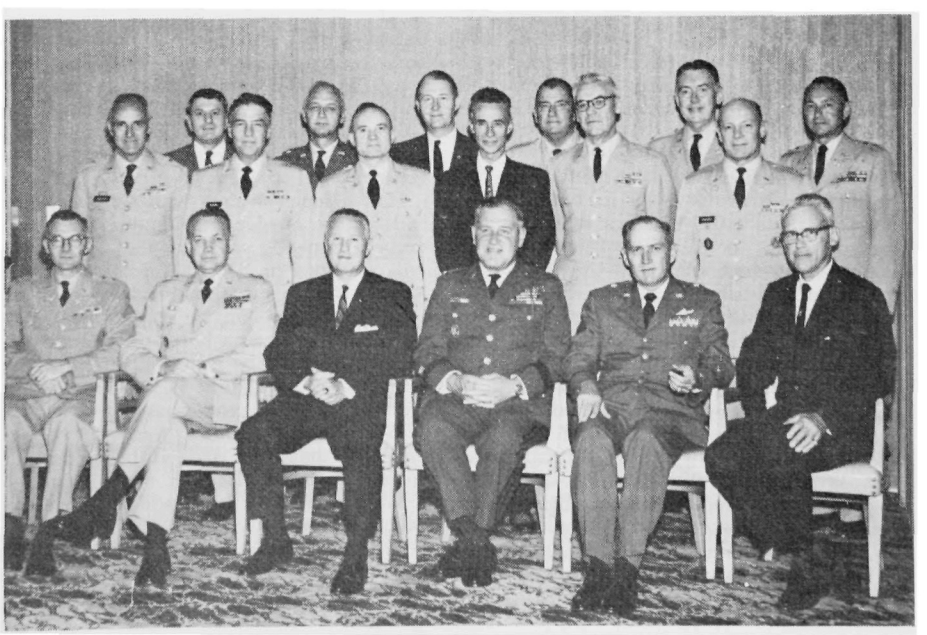
By the time you receive this you may already have obtained more information about the 30th Reunion. The latter has been the subject of a lot of work and the reason for a late-August Pentagon luncheon to which your Scribe was invited and where 17 distinguished classmates showed. Bill **Haneke,** Hap Dalton, Bill **Sievers** and Dave **Hiester** have been and will continue to serve our interests towards a big "hoe-down on Hudson." Attending the luncheon were several civilians, namely **Tetley, Clifton,** and **Illig.** If I do say so, the latter two look decidedly well in their new outfits. Tet and **Gage,** of course, are old pros in the civvy racket. Jim Illig took over as new Washington group president and Jim **Landrum** is offering considerable assistance from his office. Ray **Cato** has been serving our classmates as secretary for a good while and has earned an honored retirement from the job. Abe offered the use of his mansion on "Myer" hill for the next class soiree, but stated that it was a place where Prohibition had never been repealed??? Other reunion matters were discussed which I shall exclude here, waiting until others inform you later. At the luncheon were (see pic) front left to right: Haneke, Landrum, Illig, Abe, **Monteith,** Gage; back: Hiester, Tetley, **Grothaus, Steele,** Cato, Clifton, T.C. **Rogers,** Dalton, **Dawalt,** Sievers, **Breaks,** and **Hayes.**

Before leaving the Washington area, visited with Marion and Bill **Haneke** and two of their grown-up children (one was back in Atlanta). Young Bill, USMA '66, was there recuperating from a serious knee injury, but looking fit to go back to the Point. Saw Hap Dalton and "Dead-eye" **Dickson** at Andrews, and we missed Jack **Daly** sorely. Here were three of the four "Dead-eye" Gang, not before gathered together since 1933 when they gambled their all to perpetuate tradition at the Military Academy—and lost! Dickson looked very fit, and it was a pleasure to review some of his imaginative ideas which advanced the course of the war in the Pacific and which earned him the first DSM in the Class. Speaking of DSM's, my feeling has been that we have not received our share of these high decorations. Fact is, that a number are now earning them. I think our list includes: Dead-eye Dickson (1st), Casey **Vincent** (2d), **Clifton, Combs,** Ben **Davis, Estes, Illig, Nazzaro, Yarborough.** We're expecting a lot more.

While enjoying hospitality and memories with Jane and Hap Dalton, was also lucky to be able to see Charlie **Segrist** for a moment. One of Dalton's currently amusing tales (to me, anyway) was about his $1,000 dog which he got close enuf to touch, once, before the animal "took off." He roams Andrews AFB, but Hap can't catch him. Was sorry to learn that Jim **Landrum's** wife has been ailing for some time.

At the Academies, only West Point has any new Plebes, Class of 1969. They are: David **Hayes** Jr., and Richard **McCarty.** Congratulations to these fortunate young men. Young Tom **Swain** will keep us advised of cadet activities at USMA this year. His classmate, Tom Hayes, has been promoted to brigade adjutant—the highest rank any of our sons has thus far reached at the Academy. We're quite proud. The other high-ranking cadet, John **Dorland,** '63, who was a cadet captain, landed with the advance elements of the 101st Abn in Vietnam this past summer. Class received a nice letter of appreciation from Howell **Estes III,** thanking us for the gift he received at his Air Force graduation in June.

The Class continues to receive national news coverage. Some that you may have seen—in addition to the almost daily listing of W.C. Westmoreland—are a very fine article about Ben **Davis** in the September *Reader's Digest;* movie tapes of Bub **Clark** and **Yarborough** on TV's "White Paper," a 3-hour program in late August; and an editorial by Atlanta *Constitution* editor, Gene Patterson, in which he said, "A new gener-



1936: At the late-August luncheon at the Pentagon.

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ation of generals is suddenly here. The West Point Class of 1936. In time of peril, Americans suddenly look around in alarm for leadership—and it is there." He names in the article, Abe, Westy, **Palmer**, Ben Davis, **Estes** and Yarborough.

Hopefully nothing will ever happen to the 2d Infantry Division—'cause I don't know what would happen to Jack **Chiles**. Jack and Lucy were on their way to Fort McPherson, but no—back to Korea. That's where the 2d was. Jack's there now, APO 96224. Bub and Caline **Clark** came back from Okinawa to Langley and a 3d star at TAC. They went up to the Point for Homecoming and stayed with the **Austins** at Stewart. The latter swapped jobs with Von **Shores**, who is now near Paris. As everybody read, the President gave Ted and Anne **Clifton** a pretty nice send-off from the White House and the Army. Ted is very pleased about his future with the consulting firm of Thomas J. Deegan, Washington and New York. He will not move his home. Both Ted and Willie **Yarborough** have had articles about them in *Time* recently.

Perhaps he's tired of hearing me say this, but one of our truly great, Cec **Combs**, retired with a brilliant ceremony (according to my sister) for him and Bev at Wright-Patterson. The Combses will be in the position of provost at the U. of Rochester in New York. Cec was head of Air Force Tech for 8 years and brought its standards to a height never before realized by a school of its type. No Service today has a university of the AFIT scope. Being the complete man that he is, he made more impressions in Dayton than just as an airman and schoolteacher. He will be missed a long time. I think the records will also show that although Casey was our first general officer, Cecil was the first to be so nominated 'way back in the early days of WWII.

Heard from Bill **Connor** who is newly at Hq LANCENT, Fontainebleau. His mother visited them for a month in September. The Connors report, happily, a granddaughter at Schofield Bks, Hawaii, from son Bill. Bill reported seeing Ham **Morris** and Bernie **Bess**. He has also ordered and been shipped a 1936 black blazer with embroidered patch and gold F.D. buttons. If any of the rest desire these items, let me know.

Sat next to Ken **Dawalt** at the Washington luncheon, and he informed me that he will be at the 30th even though it will mean his foregoing the graduation of one of his daughters at Texas Woman's U.

Gil **Dorland** asked if anyone was going to make the ARMY-Tenn. game at Knoxville; I don't know if any did. Ed **Dunn** became C/S of Fourth Army at Fort Sam, after leaving III Corps at Hood. Had hoped to see the **Esteses** down around Atlanta because it's the source of some of his big 141 birds and the home (nearby) of his son and bride. But Westy's commitments have demanded Howell's presence elsewhere. Ben **Evans** departed Fort Devens and became head of JUSMMAT, Ankara, APO 09254.

Josh **Finkel** wrote from Newton, Mass. Haven't seen him for over a year. He's got a son going to McGill U. in Montreal. Nick **Grothaus** has a new title, Dir of CBR and Nuclear Ops. He's in the same shop with Bobby **Breaks**. Heard some very flattering remarks about Tommy **Hayes** while in Washington. He had a birthday the same day as the Pentagon luncheon. Johnny **Heintges** is I Corps CG in Korea, but haven't heard from him since he left Benning. Nonnie and the children are staying in Colorado Springs.

Another who is building a highly specialized and successful training school is Dave **Hiester**. An article was recently released about his Aberdeen Ordnance U. Willie and Vivi **Hendrickson** gave away their last daughter, Tricia, in matrimony. Mr. (lucky) Larry Everett was the groom. The **Hesses** did same with their next-to-last girl-child; Peggy was the lovely bride of Mr. Ray Conti. Congratulations to these lovely dolls. And may I hope the Class and families don't lose a daughter, but rather gain a son!

Jane and Bill **Kinard** visited T-Willie and Jeanne **Morris** at Valley Forge Military Academy prior to Bill's retirement. Bill's now at MAI, Tyler Bldg., Arlington Towers, Arlington, Va. Young Chris Kinard is associated with a civilian firm, as he wasn't able to get a commission in June at the Point due to physical conditions. Whitey **Hess** is now "Doctor" Hess with a Ph.D. in education. The **Sievers** visited the Hesses in June, including "Captain" Bill, USMA '61. Received a letter from Jack **Kelly** and his new armored command at Hood.

Sandy **McCorkle** has left Tokyo and returned to Hq USAF. While in Washington, discussed and conjectured when Mike would be coming back from Turkey. I got nowhere. Had a very special pleasure of visiting several hours alone with Kay and Bruce **Palmer** in Atlanta in July. Bruce is a many-hatted man, and was here primarily to wear one of 'em. He's another one of the great men of '36!

Bev **Powell** wrote concerning a 101st Div reunion back in June. But, I'm not sure that plans didn't go awry as a result of escalation. Heard from Bob **Quinn** at Rome, N.Y., when I sent him a '36 crest. Bob **Safford** left Hood and went to I Corps, Korea, as C/S. Len **Shea** moved from Hq EUSA to Comd, Quarry Heights, C.Z.

Bill **Sibert** is still teaching math—is now with U. of Virginia, and living in Richmond. Charlie **Stewart** moved from Kirtland to Dir of Aerospace Safety, Ofc, TIG. Got a long letter from Peg **Vincent**. I think that the number of her various jobs and offices would put most of us to shame. To say that she is an active woman, is an understatement. Anyway, she was planning to be in the East, and I hoped to see her in Atlanta. She offered Casey's ring to West Point, and I told her they'd be very grateful for it. Dutch **Hartman** has already given Dud's.

Had a lunch or two with Charlie **Waters** and Howie **Snyder** in Atlanta. They seem to be prospering well. If the Class has a senior chapter in DC that acts for our interests, Howie and Chuck advise your secretary and keep him "in step" down South.

Sent Ed Wallnau a birthday telegram from Washington, and he expressed gratitude that so many of us had been kind enuf to remember he's "70 years young."

Westy isn't forgotten here; but he's so much in the news and so busy, that this column isn't the place for news about him.

Warren **Wildrick** has made his move from Ohio to Clearwater, Fla. While Willie **Yarborough** was cussing-out his Red-Chinese counterpart at the 38th Parallel, his son was wedding Miss Smith at Fort Bragg.

Please cooperate with Bill **Haneke** and let's have a terrific 30th Reunion!

'37

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I suppose everyone knows by now that Bruce **Holloway** is a full general, the first in our Class to attain that exalted rank. I am pleased to tell you that it has not gone to his head. He joined Molly **Wilson**, Jack **Polk** and me on the 8th floor of the A-N Town Club and all four of us effortlessly resumed the conversation where we had left off on the roof of the St. George Hotel in Brooklyn the night before our Class sailed for Savannah, Ga., 29 years ago. He commands USAF, Europe, and Europe is fortunate to get him.

Harry **Wilson** plays polo in and around Washington every other Sunday or so, and the beds in my apartment are fair game for any or all of his retinue except the horses, at which I balk.

Years ago, when Gordon **Leland** and Beaver **Stevenson** were the ones to keep your eye on at the hops, we had a dance called The Big Apple, at which they excelled. Well, the years pass and everybody slows down, I guess, and here I have a letter from Randy **Hines** suggesting that the Class consider staying at The Red Apple, Tuxedo, N. Y. during our 30th Reunion. Other and older classes have found it to be their proper cup of tea at their thirtieths. I submitted The Red Apple brochure to the Washington contingent for consideration; we might as well face it: our decision-making processes have slowed down, too, and it is none too early to face up to where we want to stay two years hence. I hereby throw The Red Apple to the readers-at-large so that they, too, will have ample time to mull it over. It is a motel with fringe benefits, as I understand it, somewhat on the order of the Bear Mountain Inn where I was apprehended by the Tacs for my second slug. Let Randy know if reactions, pro or con, are stirred.

Wil **Wilhoyt** is now in San Francisco as the So Pac Div Engr, and he and Dolly have quarters at Fort Mason. Dan and Janey **Richards** are with him in the Engr Div, but not at Fort Mason, and so, at last word, they were house-hunting in SF. Dan should know his way around because he and I started our military life there at the prep school at Fort Scott—WUPUPUS, it was called. Of course, our house-hunting requirements have changed since those days.

The Bay Area seems to have an attraction for '37: Monk **Meyer** is Sixth Army C/S and he and Anne have quarters, as do Howie and Peg **Smalley**, at Fort Scott. Howie is Dpty Comdr of the XV Corps and he wrote Wil that Bill **Amos**, the Corps G4, turned in his suit on 31 May and headed for Puget Sound in a trailer full of fishing tackle. Howie also wrote that he saw these classmates at the Founders Day dinner: Jack **Chapman**, Tommy **Compton**, and Meyer **Edwards**, wheels at Lockheed in Sunnyvale; and Jim **Barko** and Mort **Magoffin** from across the Bay. He went on to say that he *didn't* see these classmates at the dinner: Ben **Porterfield**, Max **Tincher**, or Charlie **Young**, and that seems a funny way to put it. He didn't see me there, either, and I apologize for my oversight. Poopy **Connor** has reported to take command of the Presidio and, understandably, brought the lovely Alice with him.

I know nepotism is a dirty word, but Sam **Agee** seems to be practicing a school-tie form of it in the southwestern U. S. As you know, he is the Superintendent of New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell, N. Mex., and has gathered unto him Bud **Hines** in the Physics Dept. and Elmer **Blaha** as his PIO. On his

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outpost line of resistance he has Coy **Curtis** as PMS at Arizona State in Tempe and John and Cynthia **Cone** at White Sands. He did have Pony **Scherrer** at Fort Hood and used him to judge horse shows, but Pony is now in the Pentagon, which serves him right. Nothing daunted, Sam has recruited Swede **Ohman** as a replacement and has deployed him to Randolph AFB where he will have additional duty as Vice Comdr of the Air Training Command. Bud Hines writes that Jim **Peale** was through Roswell on his way from Hawaii to Fort Dix, and Bud adds a cordial invitation to classmates to stop by if they get in the vicinity.

Bud also writes that Roswell is only 200 miles from several good-sized cities. Well, everything is relative and I suppose El Paso, Lubbock, Albuquerque, and Amarillo *do* seem good-sized to the boys from South Barracks. He also says that Sam Agee's four and five-year-olds play with his four and six-year-olds but, somewhat reproachfully, that Sam has no one to match his one-year-old. Nobody's perfect, Bud.

The monthly Washington luncheons continue, still on Thursday and still at AHS. Attendance at the June and July get-togethers included Carl Buechner, Homer **Brett**, Harve **Dorney**, Dick **Fellows**, Ham **Fish**, Eph **Graham**, Marty **Green**, Bob **Palmer**, Asher **Robbins**, Pony **Scherrer**, Ray **Clingerman**, Fred **Diercks**, Jim **Duncan**, Dave **Griffin**, Curt **Low**, Don **Ostrander**, Beaver **Stevenson**, and Bud **Zehner**. Wives and teen-age children were invited to attend the July luncheon, dutch treat of course, and in spite of that, these wives showed up: Eloise Clingerman, Betty Fellows, Alice Griffin, Fran Ostrander, Betty **Spengler**; and these children: Homer Brett, Sue Dorney, Peggy Griffin, Tice Griffin, and Jim Spengler.

The two luncheons yielded a few tidbits of class news and I pass them on, as is my duty. Dick and Betty **Fellows'** daughter, Susan, married Kim Combs, son of Cecil Combs '36 on 11 June. Eph and Dottie **Graham** have taken up residence at Fort Hood, Tex., and Woody and Kathryn **Dunlop** have also left the area to settle in Boston. Kelsie **Reaves** relieved Jim **Skeldon** as CG Fort Polk, La., and Jim went over to Korea to command the MAAG. Stu **O'Malley** has taken command of XIII Corps at Fort Devens, Mass., and Battle **Barksdale** has left the Jackson, Miss., city administration to join Merrill, Lynch, etc. in the same city.

Choppy **Brett**, who takes a dim view of my parent organization but remains friendly withal, was recently elected a Senior Vice Comdr of the Military Order of World Wars. George **Walker** has moved from Omaha to Atlanta to become South Atlantic Division Engineer, and I don't know what's to become of Omaha now that all three of us, **Quandt**, **Seedlock**, and Walker have decamped. Jim **Scott** joined XII Corps at Atlanta on 1 July.

I am not the only classmate who can't make the monthly luncheons and so, to steal Howie **Smalley's** gimmick, here are some of the Washington denizens who *haven't* been seen there recently: Fred **Clarke**, now at Belvoir; Tank **Hardaway** and Jack **Schermerhorn** of the Materiel Command; Delk **Oden** of OPO; Beef **Taylor** of the Army Comptroller's Office; and Bud **Underwood** whose job title would use up all my space.

Randy **Hines** has sent me the roster of '37 sons at USMA, and here it is. His own son, Charles A. W., is in the Class of '66 together with James T. **Unger**, John G. **Zierdt**, and Gordon **Kimbrell**. Monk **Meyer's** son, Charles R., is in '67, and William G. **Easton**, Donald **Oberbeck**, and Henry M. **Spengler** are in '68. Among the new Plebes (Class of '69) are Philip D. **Brant** and James D. **Richards**. Speaking of class sons, I had hardly been notified at a cocktail party that I was the newly elected '37 class Scribe when Beaver **Stevenson**, Randy Hines, and Eph **Graham** lit into me for misspelling the name of Bert **Connor's** son on the cigarette box he received from us at graduation. "Conner instead of Connor," they said. I didn't even know he had a son but, man that I am, I shouldered the blame and wrote to Bert offering to correct the faux pas. Sweet-tempered and understanding as he is, Bert wrote me to forget it—the youngster shouldn't be smoking anyway. No doubt about who wears the pants in that family.

Well, unless something develops at the class luncheon being held today, Tuesday, at AHS, that's about all the news I have at hand—except to report regretfully that Danny **Russell** lost his wife, Audrey, in Phoenix on 7 August. Bud **Zehner** sent flowers and condolences for the Class to Audrey's funeral which was held at West Point on the 13th. Ed **Broadhurst's** family will come to Washington in December to receive a posthumous DSM for Ed from the C/S of the AF.

I believe in this issue it is customary to close the column with a Beat Navy, and though I tend to be a hex in such matters (like when I inadvertently tripped Tom **Truxtun** on his way to a lacrosse goal and got canned from the plebe squad), I will risk it. BEAT NAVY!

'38

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The long hot summer has produced a good many moves, but hasn't loosened up many arthritic fingers. A lone and very welcome letter did come in from Chuck **Jackson** with news of Pineapple Junction. He wrote that in July, Dick **Stilwell**, Iris and Bill **Ekman**, and Dot and Chuck Jackson gathered at Kitts and Hutch **Hutchin's** home at Fort Shafter for dinner and a gabfest.

Dick was passing through on PCS from Vietnam to his new assignment as Commander, Military Assistance Command, Thailand, with leave in the U.S. to pick up Alice and the youngsters. While in Washington, Dick also had a Distinguished Service Medal pinned on by the Chief of Staff. Hutch is all wired in as Dpty C/S for Plans and Operations, PACOM, but Bill and Iris have since departed for the Infantry Training Center at Fort Dix. Chuck is Asst C/S G5 (Civil Affairs) for USARPAC, and notes that '38 is really horning in on this racket with **Jim Taylor** as Director of Civil Affairs, DCSOPS, in the Pentagon, and Willie **Wansboro** running the Civil Affairs School at Fort Gordon, Ga. There should be a moral in this somewhere. And speaking of the Wansboro tribe, daughter Teresa recently won a $500 scholarship to be applied at Mary Washington College.

Checking on promotions, Ben **Sternberg** and John **Tillson** have made their numbers as major generals, while Frank **Miller**, Curly **Harvey**, Ed **Bailey**, and Gene **Kelsey** are wearing the one-star hardware. Gene also picked up an oak leaf cluster to the Legion of Merit when he left Ritchie for the Army Strategic Communications Command. Congratulations, fellers.

The summer moves had many of the Class in orbit. John **Bailey** left Camp Zama, Japan, for Sixth Army Hq in San Francisco. Bill **Vail** moved from Senior Ln O with Northern Army Group and British Army of the Rhine to become Director of Evaluation with CDC at Fort Belvoir.

In a chain reaction involving almost every living U.S. infantryman, Bob **York** left his divided division and Dominican problems to become Commandant of the Infantry School at Fort Benning. Bert **Harrison**, formerly Deputy Air Force IG at Norton AFB, took over as Director of Manpower and Organization, Hq USAF. Des **Brown**, having completed his second reorganization of the Supply and Maintenance Command, is now on the S&F of the Industrial College where he has been joined by Warren **Hannum**, fresh from the 101st Abn Div, Fort Campbell.

Junie **Lotz** left R&D in September for MACV. Bob **Offer's** orders read: from KMAG, Korea, to Phoenixville, Pa.

Charlie **Denholm** stays with the Intelligence types, but has left ACSI for the Army Security Agency at Arlington Hall. Sam **Eaton** has left his kimchi pots to take over the 35th AD Brigade at Fort Meade. Since he is now responsible for protection of the Washington-Baltimore area, all inmates of the Pentagon may now sleep soundly—which may be no real change to some small minds. Hubie **Strange** assumed command of Fort Stewart, Ga., in August, and Bill **Crocker** from KMAG became PMS at Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh just in time to avert the the threatened steel strike.

John **Finn** is the new chief of Army Materiel Command's Mutual Security Office after being C/S for I Corps, and Joe **Conell** left Killeen Base, Tex., to profess military science at Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y. Swede **Swenson** was derailed en route to CDC and returned to ACSI in June. Ben **Sternberg** struck a blow against turbulence to remain as J1 for MACV rather than take over the Support Command in Vietnam as reported in the last issue.

Although few members write for this magazine, increasing numbers are breaking into print elsewhere. Fred **Dean**, Director of Weapons Evaluation and Control, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, had an article, "Arms Control Problems," in the July-August issue of *Ordnance* magazine. Pete **Sights** of the Concepts Division, Aerospace Studies Institute, joined the authors with a 16-page article on "Lessons of Lebanon" in the summer issue of the *Air University Review*. Jim **Mrazek**, now a research associate with the U. of Pittsburgh, had his 4th article on military creativity, "Rembrandts of the Military Art," published in the July issue of *Army*. Butch **Blanchard** authored some effective material of another type as he testified on behalf of the AF for the pay bill before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

In the miscellany area, Jesse **Thomas** is justifiably proud of son Harold, age 17, a counselor at Camp Thunderbird in the Shenandoah Valley, who received his Eagle Scout award there this summer. Harold returned this fall to Marion Institute, Jesse's old school as well as that of Andy **Lipscomb** and Bob **York**, to prepare for USMA. Mark **Brennan**, post commander at Fort MacArthur, has been in the news, distributing scholarship awards to non-'38ers.

Notes to grow old on: Don **Williams** retired on 30 June. Lt. Michael **Ryan** USAFA '65, married Jane Ann Morgan in July. And

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John C. **Nickerson** III, wed Mary Carter in August.

The next deadline comes up in December, the low point for news of any kind. May all those broken arms be mended before then.

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The Pentagon class luncheon of 23 June was the occasion for electing a new slate of officers. Our noble president, Jimmy **Muir** announced that since he was so unfortunate to be ordered to Fort Benning and had to live next door to the golf course, this would be his last official act as president and forthwith nominated Ned **Geary** as president; Dave **Goodwin** as treasurer; Mouse **Trahan** for entertainment; and Bernie **Teeters** as class Scribe. Before any of the unsuspecting nominees had a chance to state objections, they were drowned out by thunderous applause, whistles, and cheers. This constituted the election under our democratic way of doing things, and the new slate of officers is officially installed.

Swede **Larsen** has left USAREUR Hqs and commands Task Force ALPHA which controls all Army and Marine Corps ground combat forces in the II and III Corps areas in Vietnam. Harry **Kinnard** is CG 1st Cav Div (Air Mobile). Bob **Ploger**, newly starred, is at an undisclosed post in Vietnam, and Jimmy **Collins** (also newly starred) is there with Hqs MAAG, according to my latest information.

Jack **Dobson**, who has recently returned from an assignment as CG Antilles Command, is now Dpty J3 on the Joint Staff. Jack supplied me with the following tidbits: Danny **Nolan** took over as Actg Comdr of the Antilles Command, and Charley **Hackett** is C/S USSOCOM. Both are basking in the sunshine and enjoying the good fishing. Ed **Smith** got a free trip to Santo Domingo as ADC of the 82d Abn Div. Those classmates who have not yet decided where to live in retirement might consider joining Jack Dobson, Jim **Muir**, Pat **Patterson** and Ed Smith who have all purchased property on Hilton Head Island in South Carolina.

Bob **Spragins** who is Chief of MAAG, Argentina, paid us a short visit a couple weeks ago. I understand that Al **Ginder** is back from Alaska and in town. Hack **Conner** and Buzz **Chapman**, after months in language school, are finally off to Stockholm and Argentina, respectively, where they will be Defense attachés. Matt **Bristol** has left the Pentagon for an assignment in Hqs Fourth Army. Congratulations to Charlie **Mount** and Walter **Vann** on their promotions to BG. Charlie has joined the 1st Inf Div at Fort Riley, and Walter is off to command the 5th Arty Bde at Fort Hancock. Mike **Davison** is also congratulated on his promotion to 2-star rank. He is now Dpty C/S, Force Development. **Van Harlingen** has left his DoD assignment to be Dpty C/S J6 with CONAD at Colorado Springs.

Checking with Jack **Meyer** and Ken **Yarnall**, I learned that Mousey **Trahan** has replaced Jack **Rippert** as Exec at the National War College, and Jack is Secretary, Joint Staff at EUCOM Hqs. Bud **Newcomer** is new in town working for Asst Sec Def (Admin). C.B. **Smith** is Tdy in Washington for about 5 months in connection with a Career Development and Education Project.

Johnny **Carpenter** is to be congratulated on getting his 3d star and a plum assignment as boss man at the Air University. Perry **Hoisington** retired in Columbus, Ohio, and is an executive with Jet Airways. Bill **Martin** has moved from the job of Air Force IG to CG 15th AF with station at March AFB. Jack **Samuel** has a new job with SAC in the Plans business. Roger **Phelan** has stepped up one in the Air Force Plans and Policy Directorate. Joe **Kingsley** retired on 30 July. He and Jane are living in the heart of Georgetown (1421 29th St., NW). Joe has not yet disclosed his plans for the future.

The **Krismans, Kepples,** and **Teeters** had a bathing party and barbecue at Earle **Lerette's** new swimming pool a few weeks ago. Mary Lerette has recovered from a serious and simultaneous bout with a bleeding ulcer and pneumonia.

Those of you who do not read the *Army Times* perhaps missed noting that among our newly decorated classmates are: Harry **Kinnard** who received the DSM for his development of the Air Mobile Concept while commanding the 11th Air Aslt Div, and Jim **Muir** who was awarded the Legion of Merit for his service as Actg Dir and Dpty Dir, Strategic and Policy Directorate ODCSOPS, DA.

Sam **Kail** writes from Coral Gables, Fla., that he is just about recovered from a mild heart attack that hit him in April. His doctor told him that in three months he should be able to do almost everything he did before the attack. We wish you the best, Sammy! Sam also mentioned that he sees Len **Kaplan** occasionally. Kap retired in '46 or thereabouts and is in the real-estate business in Florida.

Bob **Matter** is the new head of the Dept of Military Science at Seattle U. Chris **Coyne** has left his job as Dir of Management Assistance and Personnel of NASA's Manned Space Program and has joined Gulf Research and Development Co., Pittsburgh, as technical associate.

The following note in part from Ken **Scott**: "Here on Okinawa Bill **George** is C/S USARYIS, I am the G3, and Jim **Billups** is CG 30th Arty Bde. I make frequent trips to Hawaii where Bob **Schellman** is still G3, USARPAC, and Pink-Puss **Patterson** is his deputy. We had a reunion recently with Mike **Davison**, also present as a visitor. **McChristian** has been the G2 there but is now J2 at MACV. Phil **Davidson** has his place as the G2. **Kirby-Smith** is also in MACV as Dpty G4. I played golf with Jack **Looney** a few months ago in Hawaii; he is Chief, Army Section MAAG in the P.I. Two weeks ago I bent elbows with Don **Miller** in Tokyo; he is with the Army attaché in Japan." Thanks, Ken! We could use many contributions like yours.

This column depends upon your contributions. If you have any news, please drop a note to yours truly.

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My Accutron (humming not ticking) tells me that it is time now to report on people and places, that the euphoria of the 25th Reunion is over, and that prose is better if it is not gummed up with 18th century mannerisms. So here goes:

Changes in my address book: Hank **Cunningham** from Halibut Ave. in Alaska to Strata St. in McLean, Ted **Davis** in Miami and not in Deland, **Devlin** now in Washington, D.C., Leo **Dunham** teaching at the U. of Maine, **Dyke** from New England to Virginia, Jack **East** at Maxwell AFB, Dill **Ellis** in Dillon, South Carolina, Butch **Emery** in the Far East, **Erspamer** teaching school in Camarillo, Calif., Chuck **Esau** in Lake City, South Carolina, Dick **Fairlamb** in Cundys Harbor, Maine, Barney **Ferry** in Huntsville, Alabama, Ned **Flanders** retired and living in Las Vegas, **Floyd** at SHAPE and **Forbes** at MacDill AFB in Tampa. **Dixie Fraser**, a Ph.D., teaching school in Cookeville, Tenn. Bill **Francisco** in Nicaragua and Tom **Monroe** in El Salvador. Art **Frontczak** in Denver, Colo. Bill **Gildart** at MacDill. Al **Gillem** (feeling better by now) at Hq SAC.

Roland **Gleszer** in Hawaii with the new star, Sam **Goodwin** the same. Scotty **Greene**, back from Europe, assigned to Port Washington and then changed to Far East. **Hazeltine** and **Yeager** with Berlin Bde. Ed **Hendrickson** at Governors Island, and a bridegroom. Ed **Hoover**, retired and living in Los Altos, California. Bud **Horton** back from overseas and stationed at Scott AFB. Jim **Humphrey**, a bridegroom, now manager of Sun Life of Canada office in Cincinnati. Bill **Kasper** in La Jolla, Calif. Larry **Klar** in the Pentagon.

Bob **Knapp**, a lawyer in New York, still fuming because his company sent him to Australia on a trip during 25th Reunion. He saw Bob **Maxwell** in Bangkok. **Kramer** overseas to the Far East. Mike **Kuziv** retired and living in Winter Park, Florida. Dixie **Lederman** in Washington. Phil **Loofbourrow** has left Reno for Spokane, Washington. Earl **McFarland** back from Alaska and in the Pentagon. Jim **Maedler** going to the Far East. Frank **Mandell** is back from Europe and stationed in Nebraska. Swampy **Marsh** at Niagara Falls (stationed there, not visiting). Pat **Merchant** to Hawaii in November. Frank **Meszar** now at CONARC. Ross **Milton** at Langley Field. Jim Rat **Moore** in Thailand.

Del **Munson** in Italy and Chuck **Noble** in Korea. Carey **O'Bryan** now at Eglin AFB and Chuck **Oglesby** in Washington, D.C. Dave **Parker** took his new star to Governors Island, and **Paulick** has gone to the Far East with his. Bob **Pfiel** in California. Karl **Rauk** at Ellington AFB in Texas. Paul **Reinecke** to the Far East. Al **Richards** teaching school in Pueblo, Colorado. Jim **Ridgell** overseas. **Robinson** at Wright-Patterson AFB and **Rogers** at Carlisle. Tom **Scott** keeps his new star in the Pentagon. **Shaunesey** in Washington.

Ray **Shoemaker** moves into Dick **Abbey's** house in Colorado Springs. Dick, selected for second star, in Saigon. **Shoss** in the Pentagon. **Shelley** at Eglin AFB. Warren **Stirling** at Adair AFB in Oregon. Page **Smith** with Dick **Cassidy's** outfit (32d Arty Bde) in Europe. Harry **Stella** at Hq Eighth Army. Jim **Strauss** in the Pentagon. Bob **Strong** at Pease AFB, New Hampshire. Zeke **Summers** to MAAG, China.

Jerry **Addington** a BG at Oakdale, Pennsylvania, with 31st Arty Bde. **Bates** at Fort Gordon, Georgia. Lee **Bell** has the address of the month . . . 626 Bob-o-Link Lane, Phoenix, Arizona. Dick **Belt** at Fort Monroe. Ed **Black**, back from Saigon, and in the Pentagon. Herb **Bowlby** not so very far from me on an island to the west. Danny **Briggs** at Knox. **Brousseau** back in Washington. John **Burfening** at Fort Bliss. Bev **Campbell** at Norton AFB, California. **Clapsaddle** at Fort Hamilton.

Ray **Clock**, retired and living at DeBary, Florida. Bob **Colligan** at Kirtland AFB and Dave **Crocker** to the Far East. Jim **Walters** with NIKE-X at Redstone Arsenal. Bob **Warren** at Andrews AFB. Frank **Watrous** to TAC, Langley AFB. Tony **Wermuth** back in the Pentagon. Rod **Wetherill** at Bragg and Manford **Wetzel** at Brooks AFB in Texas. Bob **Williams** in Hawaii and Jack **Wright** in Vietnam.

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And the 216-page book . . . ah yes! Out of the printers' by Christmas! Joyeux Noel, Beat Navy, and all those other things one has to say 3 months early in order to be timely. Anyone wanting addresses need only write me. If you have changed your own, please advise, or book will not reach you.

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In Great Societysville, summertime is house-guest time; Smithsonian/Watergate time; kinds-need-the-car-every-night time; and class roster updating time.

We updated the roster as follows: Add—Joe "Eyes-like-an-eagle, nose-like-a-beagle" **Grygiel** who joined the ICAF faculty after leaving the most happy life of a district engineer. Ed **Kisiel,** back from 364 days in Thule and credulously viewing his new assignment to the Middle East shop of J5, in the light of his hard-won expertise on Greenland. Mike **Aliotta,** proudly wearing his castles, at the Citadel of Engineerdom, Fort Belvoir. Gordon **Gould,** back to run a job "with a high-sounding title" in the Air Staff Communications bailiwick. Poopie **Ellis,** just returning from a counterinsurgency tour in Panama joins the Home Rule insurgents of DC.

Others who reported in this summer, but who have not yet been officially greeted at one of Felix **Gerace's** fine class luncheons include: Jim **Healy** who traded the desert of El Paso for the equally barren lands of the JCS. Joe **Reed,** back from a "grand experience" as CO of the 1st Cav Divarty in Korea to join the OCRD shop. Guy **Goddard,** hanging his new star in the office of the AF Chief of Civil Engineering; Jim **Strain,** back from a tour as attaché to The Hague now analyzing some of his own input in ACSI; Howdy **Clark** and Lou **Flanders** have become purple-suited intelligence types. Max **Tyler** back from Korea to the Topo Science Div of the Office of CE. Ed **Buttery** with AMC Tech Committee. And Bill **Mitchell** has joined the JCS and is helping to guarantee that there will always be a Flag Officer to answer the NMCC phone whenever a raghead throws a brick through an embassy window. Surely, with all this new blood in the community, both the Senators and the Redskins should emerge from the cellar.

Delete: A. Wray **White** who, one of the last of the AF types to hang up his Jet helmet, started his second career in the most interesting job of "Village Manager" of Indian Hill, Ohio.

Note: Between the first and final draft of this writing, I have journeyed to Wright-Patterson AFB for the next stage of my attaché training.

I ran into Charlotte and Wray making a commissary and BX run from their new address: 6525 Drake Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio 45243. Wray seconds Jack **Kelsey** and Howard **Felchlin** in recommending that you make contact with the Retired Officers Assn well in advance of the time you start to take the composing of your resumé seriously. Dave **Gauvreau** went to Fort Bliss; Roy **Kelly,** our Fort Meade commuter, went to Europe, and John **Van Hoy** joined the faculty of Southern Technical Inst., Marietta, Ga.

During a recent class luncheon, we received a report that the NCOIC in the Concourse Dispensary had made an emergency call to Walter Reed in order to replenish his pill supply and realized that we had Goober **O'Connell** in town. Your old "bridal advisor" was looking as spry as ever and trying to promote a deal by which the class sons would invite us to our own 25th Reunion using Goober's engraved invitations.

1941: Dick Scott receives the Legion of Merit from USMA Superintendent, Maj. Gen. Lampert.

At the August luncheon, we had Bill **Gleason** as an honored guest. Bill claims to be the only displaced doughboy at the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee. Bill reports that others at Lee planning to attend the reunion are Hank **Boswell** and Don **McMillan** (retired). Others at the August luncheon were: Joe **Knowlton,** Lynn **Lee** who reported having taken the pictures of June Week up to Dunc **Brown,** Wally **Lauterbach,** Jack **Millikin,** Wray **White,** Andy **Anderson,** Mike **Aliotta,** Curt **Chapman,** Wire **Coakley,** Tom **Corbin** (presiding), John **Deane,** Gordon **Gould,** Ed **Kisiel,** Joe **Grygiel,** Poopie **Ellis,** John **Easton,** Felix **Gerace,** Al **Moody,** Bizz **Moore,** George **McIntyre,** Bill **Purdy,** John **Richards,** Howard **Felchlin,** Fitz **Fitzpatrick,** Joe **Gurfein,** Bill **Gribble,** Phil **Seneff,** Henry **Bagshaw,** Bob **Clark,** Pete **Tanous,** Pat **Tansey,** and YT.

Plans for the Big TWENTY-FIFTH are moving along nicely under the careful direction of the 3-man West Point contingent—**Scott, Schilling,** and **Keleher.** Dick received the Legion of Merit for his outstanding work as G4 of the Eighth Army in Korea.

As you know, the density of old grads has finally made it necessary to return to the old seven-day format for June Week. But instead of a horse show, the authorities have decided to devote the first half to the alumni activities in the hope that we will burn ourselves out in the first 3 days and go home so that the graduating class can get themselves graduated without having to fight their way through walls of doddering old grads. To this end, our program starts on Friday, 3 June with a cocktail party at the magnificently renovated West Point Army Mess—wait 'til you see it!

At 2030 there is the Alumni Dinner at Washington Hall followed by the Supe's reception and a dance. This was a most elegant affair in '61 and should be again in spite of the fact that they are in the throes of moving the post of the Mess Hall Corporals forward to the former vicinity of the Thayer Monument.

The next morning, hang-overs notwithstanding, we will assemble at 0900 hours for the memorial service at the **Kelleher-Jobes** Memorial. In order to refresh your memory, at the 20th it was decided that we would do this every 5 years to pay final respects to those who joined the LGL since the previous reunion. In this case we will so honor Herb **Richardson,** Dan **Salinas,** and Jack **McClure.** Ted **Brown** wrote to give more details on the way it was done in '61. (Ted is at CINCPAC, APO SF 96515, along with Paul **Pigue,** and with the Pentagonian pace they are maintaining they see little chance of making the reunion.)

Following the memorial service we will have a class meeting (brides invited) at which a modicum of business will be transacted, and we will then receive a special briefing on the plans for the WP end position following the expansion of the Corps.

The next formation will be the Alumni Exercises at Thayer Monument followed by the Alumni Review. Immediately following the review we will assemble for the class picture through the courtesy of "just-one-more" Charlie "White." We will then welcome four new alumni: **Harrison, Root, de Jonckheere,** and **O'Connell,** and present them with the class picture and silver.

Having thus worked up an appetite, we will be ready for the Alumni Luncheon and while we are solving the problems of the Assn of Grads our brides will be lunching at the WPAM.

Saturday afternoon athletics will be next for ARMY team buffs. The main attraction will be a confrontation on the lacrosse field in what may well be the determination of the best laX team in the East. Beat Navy!

Saturday nite we will have the class picnic (as of this reading) at Round Pond. Uniform will be black sweaters and HOWITZER boxes. This will conclude the Saturday activities unless someone wants to plant another class tree in the middle of the Plain or unless Joe **Myers** decides to keep us going all night as he did at the 10th.

On Sunday there will be baccalaureate services at 0800 and 1100, and at 1200 hours, alumni Hq will be closed. This should indicate the extent to which the authorities have had to go to get the area cleared for the graduates. Nevertheless, the fearless Class of '41, ever one to take a subtle hint subtly, will withdraw, like the Marines, by advancing to the rear. We will be John **Atkinson's** guests at Stewart AFB Officers Club on Sunday nite. From here it will only be a 10-minute *roll* to our caravansary.

This brings up the all-important arrangements for the billets. Even the Com's quarters won't hold all of us, and Buckner will be the bivouac of the Plebes, so we have reserved a large part of the Holiday Inn, Rt. 17K Newburgh. Your autovon call via Stewart 552-1270 to JO 5-2100 will get you a reservation if you don't have one. We have 60 of the 120 rooms reserved so far—why not take over "the whole 9 yards" as the teenagers say? Write me if you have any questions, and write Dick if you want help with motel reservations.

So much for the reunion; now let's talk about the Book. In the light of the almost unanimous demand for a book, I am planning a more elaborate effort to commemorate our 25th anniversary. However, I hope to do it with just *one* book this time.

To help celebrate our 25th, we will have the 9″ x 12″-page format which is the same size as the HOWITZER. If my plans for holding the expenses down materialize, we will have some color plates of the key scenes of our Alma Mater. As was the last book, it will feature more pictures, less poop. Please start now to think about getting some good photography of your family lined up. To make it easier and less expensive, particularly with kids married and away at school, we will take any number of pictures to cover your

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family. In other words, if you have already joined the *Tutu* set (as the Hawaiians call it) by all means send in a picture of the grandchild (children) and proud parents. The college and hi-school troops can be covered by yearbook pictures from their own publications. Those remaining in the nest can be photographed with mother and dad. We will want an official picture of father—taken in his soldier suit if he still wears one. If not, the Rogers-Peet-look will be fine.

The next item we need from you is the biographical poop, and here we propose an old twist.

We will have a short, pithy biography, about 100 words in length, that does for your 25 years of service what your HOWITZER biography did for your 4 years as a cadet. How do we do this? The same way as we did with the HOWITZER. To get the color and flair and still a bit of bragging about worthy exploits, we'll have a friend write it just as your roommate did. Who will this friend be? He can be anyone you choose who can take your canned, GI, M-1, biography from the PIO and put it into 100 words with the special '41 touch. We'll have a poopsheet out soon.

News from the *Journal of the Armed Forces* includes an item which most of you probably saw date-lined "Tan Son Nhut AB" and signed by our number-one soldier, John **Norton**: a statement of "our objectives and standards" promulgated to his command.

Orders have been published sending Dave **Woods** from Hamilton AFB, Calif., to succeed Brig. Gen. Paulson as Director of Communications and Electronics, USSTRICOM Command. The 25th Inf Div Asst Commander, Ted **de Saussure** Jr., was promoted to BG upon his arrival at Schofield Barracks to take over his new assignment. Deputy Commandant, Bob **Tarbox**, left West Point to become V Corps Engineer in Germany. Dennis **Grace** from Knox to Hq USA TF ALPHA, APO SF 96240. Brig. Gen. John **Locke** Hq USAF to ARMISH-MAAG, Iran. AF Rocket Propulsion Lab Director at Edwards, Joe **Silk**, has retired and plans to live in Missoula, Mont. Stan **Ramey** from MacDill to AWC, Carlisle. Ben **Spiller** to Stanford U. for a degree in journalism. Bill **Clifford** to TUSLOG Det 67, APO N.Y. 09380. Dick **Travis** to 3d AF, APO N.Y. 09125. Bob **Panke** to OSAADCEN Bliss and Ben **Kercheval** to USAG Fort Sheridan. Butch **Berger** from PACAF to the 4504th Msl Tng Wg, Orlando. Others joining the rapidly growing ranks of retired are: Fred **Baker**, Les **Bailey**, JOG **Green**, Al **Jensen**, and Dick **Levy**. As of 1 September there are 122 retired and 188 still active.

A recent visitor was Moody **Layfield**, 65 King Charles Rd., Columbia, S.C. A note from Buck **Miller** said that with Ed **Rowny** running the 24th Division, Buck running the South Bavaria District, and "Army" **Armstrong** running the Munich Subdistrict, the south central part of Europe seems to be in good hands. They had a small reunion to honor visitors Jack and Muriel **Christensen**.

A recent news clipping termed Rowny "a GI's general," an appellation once given to Gen. Omar Bradley, if my memory serves.

At Wright-Patterson our number-one father, Fred **Ascani**, is preparing to cut his 10-year tour short by 8 months and go to Japan. Fred will have a top job as vice commander of the Fifth Air Force. Eric **de Jonckheere** and Bill **Sawyer** each have a division of the Foreign Technology Division (and I am one of Bill's students). Jack **Harris** is running a school for procurement types, and Mickey **Moore** and Biggie **Seamans** are on board but not yet contacted.

A news release from Texas announced that KO **Dessert** had assumed the position of executive officer at Sheppard AFB Technical Training Center. A note from Bill **Hershenow** indicated that he has "a few significant changes in status: (1) address: 666 S. El Monte Apt. 15, Los Altos, Calif.; (2) married Margarita Kopf Manwaring with Walt **Mullane** and Babe **Hendrickson** ushering; (3) voluntarily terminated from Lockheed after 8 ulcer-producing years; (4) now peddling real estate in Los Altos and recommend myself to all retirees desirous of settling in this gorgeous area."

At this writing, it is T-minus 265 (days) and still counting. We have much work to do to launch into orbit the biggest and best reunion West Point has ever seen and still take time out to BEAT NAVY, Win in Vietnam, and keep the Beatles from setting the Gold Flow program back 10 years.

It looks like a busy year.

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It seems strange to beseech the gridiron gods to help us Scuttle the Sailors when we have yet to open the season, but such is the world of editors and deadlines and Scribes.

The happiest news midst my scribbled notes is that Jack **Deane** and Sam **Koster** are now wearing twinkle, twinkles. A close second, and only in timing, is the good word that SS, LM, 5DFC, 39AM John (Tiger) **Murphy** has been nominated for BG on the latest USAF list. That will bring us up to eight star-stricken, and us sideline sitters hope that '42 won't settle for less than 42!

Jack **Deane** has departed Mac's Maze for the 82d Abn at Fort Bragg. Bob **Evans** has taken up residence at Scott AFB. Bill **Gernert** has moved across the street to Kirtland AFB. Andy **Low** is off to be chief of the USAF Group, JUSMMAT, Turkey. Jess **Miles** is about to find that even his best friends won't tell him as he enters an IG assignment. Len **Pasciak** has retired and reportedly left these precincts for Florida. It must be assumed that the future of the Disarmament Agency and today's news seemed incompatible!

Danny **Raymond** is off to Vietnam. Bobbie tried to delay things by zeroing their car in on a well-placed tree, but the only results were deletion of a stop at Fort Hood (and the privilege of taking along a footlocker) for Danny, some fancy needlework on his military visage, and some well-defined steering wheel and spoke marks on Bobbie's anatomy (hearsay, not direct testimony).

1942: Bonasso receives the Legion of Merit from General Tolson for service in Vietnam.

Jerry **Snow** is back among us but assigned to OSD instead of at Belvoir, and as a newly returned Vietnam expert, he has a place on the Support Expediting Task Force. S'pose most have read that Pat **Timothy** took his brigade of the 101st Abn to Vietnam, and I hope all were privileged to see the AP splash re this "most decorated member of his Class" and "veteran of two wars at 46." Go, Tim, go!

Bill **Watkins** created consternation in the personnel ranks when he became the second USMA Professor ever to turn in his shield (?)—to say nothing of his quarters—to head for an Engineer Group in Vietnam while Carol heads back to Iowa.

Additional notes to Wyley **Baxter** resulting from his request, appeal, threat (select one) for funds: from Al **Ward** saying that they have thoroughly enjoyed their first year and many travels in Turkey; from Hank **Urrutia** advising that he's the new G3 USARSO and would welcome travelers to Amador with liquids, solids and/or shelter; and from the **Clementsons** reporting a pleasant 3 weeks in Colorado with attendance at the wedding of the **Hewitts'** son at the Air Academy.

The press has been lax in its coverage of late. I did note in *Army Times* that Mrs. S. W. **Howell**, the VP, had made a presentation for the Fort Brooke Officers Wives Club to the wife of the departing CO. The *Journal* reports that Jim **Bartholomees** was among those taking part in "the first static-line jump from a jet-powered Lockheed C-141 Starlifter at Fort Bragg" and was thus a member of the Original Jet Jumpers Society.

It was with deepest regret that we received word of Jim **White's** death at the VA Hospital in Memphis on 19 July. Interment was at Kingsport, the family home. A contribution has been made to the Association of Graduates in Jim's name.

Tom **Rienzi** reports a big time at Leavenworth, dining with the Grant **Joneses** and boozing at the **Colladays**, along with Fred **Rosell**. At Monmouth, he found that Bob **Terry** would be taking Hal **Rice's** job as C/S, ECOM.

Fred has written about the get-together reported in the last issue as well as to advise that Al **Thompson's** family had taken up residence in Leavenworth for the period of his Korean tour. Fred's family is not enamored of that fair Kansas metropolis, and so he is hoping for a prompt call to return to California. Enclosed with his letter was a clipping from the *Wall Street Journal* in which C. R. **Eisenschmidt**, Marine Division Manager for Westinghouse, was quoted regarding an order received from the Navy for 26 destroyer-escort power plants. Also forwarded was a reproduction of an article from the July *Military Review* entitled: "The World Today—Twenty Years Later" and authored by Col. Charles M. **Fergusson** Jr., whom we acknowledge to be not only a top-flight authority but also an excellent purveyor of words. Charlie came by the office to report on young Tommy's third, eye operation. Johnny **Reid** has since bumped into them at Johns Hopkins and says that all looks very well for Tommy's Army career—but just in case, we hurried him into the Army Mutual while his status of graduated cadet is current!

Dopey writes that he and Jackie are well settled in the low rent district of the San Fernando Valley and looking forward to much fun at the Stanford game. They had just had a pleasant evening at the **Atwoods** at a welcome aboard party.

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Recently honored was Doc **Hyde**, the newly elected national president of the Blinded Veterans Association. Doc assures me that it's not one of "those" veterans groups, protesting so much that 007 has been retained to make a thorough investigation of the organization!

G. **Foster** stopped by to evade his military responsibilities and report that third generation Fosters and **Rehkopfs** were in the plebe class at USMAY. Ec **Cutler** has since written that also present are: Henry **Harmeling, III**, George C. **Hozier** Jr., Glen S. **Ivey**, Karl F. Ivey and James B. **Newman** IV, another of the third generation. That should cause our treasurer to take a new look at 1969 funding!

Bunny **Bonasso** called to verify the morning report while here to be de-briefed. Bunny has been commanding the Aviation Center Troop Brigade at Rucker. We hope to have seen them at Homecoming before they depart for England. The photo herewith shows the old Ridgerunner receiving the Legion of Merit from Gen. Tolson for his excellent job as Chief of Army Avn Div, Army Concept Team in Vietnam.

Jack **Barnes** and Bill **Gernert** reported in for the July luncheon. Bill had great words for the **Sheltons'** visit and said Harv looked fine. Larry **Caruthers** has been responsible for several luncheons at the Secretary of the Army's Mess, and attendance always benefits from that pleasant decor. Dick and Claire **Horridge** were down for a visit with her brother and family. We managed to corral them for golf and an evening at the club, but the supposed guests of honor, Dean and Emily **Short**, couldn't show because of sick children. A fine way to start off for Paraguay! Fearless Leader Butch **Offley** has deserted us for 3 months at Harvard. Boston beware! If he starts getting undue publicity in these columns, it's because I discovered the name R. H. Offley in the list of AMAA members of 1879. Butch claims that was his grandfather!

The end of August was celebrated with a most enjoyable "do" at the **Sheffeys'** lovely home. A few of the more youthful set enjoyed the pool, before, during, and after activating the bar. Unfortunately, only three of them were of the female type, and **Rienzi** in a bikini does nothing for your Scribe! Some of the more celebrated outdoor chefs took charge of burning the hamburgers and hot dogs. Heaps of baked beans, salad, and other accessories gave strength for the combo which came in later. Twenty-seven couples from **Blair** to **Wilder** to include the **Tatsches**, with Bill just back from Korea, plus Mary and Jere **Snow**, freshly back from Vietnam, our regulars from Aberdeen, Mary and Jack **Barnes** and Ginger and Lee **Cage**, and Claire Rienzi's sister and husband had one of the best times ever. We're all hoping that by next summer, the Sheffeys will have forgiven and forgotten and ask us again! Their 8-week-old daughter has apparently already adopted to the mores of '42 and is reputedly none the worse for the experience.

Bob **Townsend** was reported in and out of Walter Reed before we could confirm his illness and just in time to welcome Mercedes and the kids back from their summer in Spain.

Johnny **Reid** has joined the retired set. Initial plans called for a move, but it now appears that Johnny and Margaret will join us as a part of the DC permanent party. We hope so.

On a recent jaunt to Fort Carson, I sneaked up on Midge and Andy **Weigel**, raised the cup, and got to see all the kids but Susie who had deserted the family establishment for matrimony this past summer. Andy even got me out for 9 holes at the Air Academy—lovely course and lovely day. Talked to Clare **Watson** while at Carson. Jack was out in the boonies playing soldier as Brigade CO and ADC as well but planned to come in and invite me to dinner the night *after* I left!

A late note from Helen **Low**, back from Ankara because Laurinda had suddenly decided not to go to Florida State and needed help to join the family. Andrea, now Mrs. Joseph Hahn, will be teaching art in Charlottesville where Joe is a medical student. Any with young 'uns at U. of Virginia, please note.

Bill **Seifert** wrote that he'd been to Fort Carson for a retired personnel program which left him feeling almost as old as he really is. Pappy **Garvin** is building a mountain cabin on weekends and paying for materials by caring for the Seiferts' cat!

Bill **Plott** found time after his 174th mission and a move to Bien Hoa to verify a statement by a prior President reference a sub-branch of our Armed Forces! He'd just had a snort with Bill **Shedd** and reports Bill doing a fine job. Pete **Russell** is advisor to the Regional and Popular Forces on MACV staff; Hal **Rice** is their Communicator; Bunky **Scofield** is Asst J2; Bob **Spilman** senior advisor for the 21st Div in the delta country and doing quite well; Bill **Crosson** in an Intelligence job; Roy **Geiger** advises the I Corps; and Jack **Crowley** J4'ing in the Mil. Assistance Cmd. Bill fears an assignment in PACAF next, but I'm sure would discourage any smart alec volunteering to switch with him!

And just as I'm closing comes the sad news of the death of Jean **Lewis** at Andrews AFB Hospital on 5 September. Interment services at Arlington were held on the 9th and attended by as many of us as could be there. Jean's passing was rather sudden, and we all extend our deepest sympathy and affection to Jess.

A last hot flash to the effect that my landlord, Jim **Hottenroth**, leaves Fort Myer for Fort Bragg, an Engineer Group and Vietnam, with Helen establishing residence in Fayetteville during Jim's absence. With 14 '42ers on those shores (Frank **Koisch** being added to those previously mentioned), things should look up in a hurry!

My gratitude to those of you who have helped keep me supplied with news is boundless. If I don't reply personally, please understand, and do continue the process.

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With great delight, I start this round by reporting that our deposed class president, Ted **Seith** has been selected for brigadier general in the Air Force, as Commandant of the AF Academy. This makes our fourth general in almost as many columns. Congratulations are extended from all hands. With this column is a picture of the event mentioned in the last issue: smiling John **Baer** having his BG star pinned on by Maj. Gen. John Hardy, 3d Air Force Commander.

We mentioned in the last issue that Tom **Johnson** was the first class son to graduate from USMA. It turns out we have three class sons who are due to graduate in '66. All three bear the same name as their fathers: John H. **Eckert**, Edmond L. **Faust**, and John P. **Wheeler**. I have mentioned Larry Faust before, and now a clipping from

Jan '43: Brig. Gen. Baer receives his star from Maj. Gen. John Hardy, 3d Air Force, England.

Portsmouth, Va. reports that he is due to marry a very pretty gal named Donna Lee Lorance. I'm not quite sure how Larry got down to Portsmouth to meet this young lady, but maybe cadets travel more than they did in our day.

We have four more class sons now at West Point. They entered this summer and are David A. **Minckler**, Henry F. **Grimm**, Frederick **Thaler** and David **McDermott**. These four young gents are to be congratulated because the competition was tough this year. At the moment we are trying to find out whether there are class sons at Annapolis and the AF Academy; a more complete rundown later.

Bob **Beightler** reports that on Memorial Day the West Point contingent decorated the 27 class graves at West Point: 25 classmates, 1 widow, and 1 class son. Don **Wilbourn** left in July for Okinawa where he will be the G1. Al **Freer** is due to replace Ed **Faust** at West Point as Dpty Engr when Ed goes off to the War College. George **Maertens** ran Beast Barracks this summer with the largest plebe class in history—1,140 strong. George has now resumed command of the 1st Regiment.

An ecstatic press release confirms that Gray **Wheelock** has become Dpty Commandant of Cadets. Gray arrives from a post as Opns and Trng O for VII Corps in Germany. I may have reported before that Gray is one of the few guys who has commanded both an Armored group and an Infantry brigade. Carolyn, John IV, and Susan are all with him at West Point.

Dewitt **Armstrong** has arrived in Vietnam as a J5-type in MACV. The Viet Cong promptly stole his fountain pen out of his pocket as he strolled the streets of Saigon taking in the sights. Dee reported to Kate who reported to Marian Karrick that Sam **Karrick** arrived safely in Vietnam. This was a sudden trip for Sam who has been that way before. I gather he is to be the liaison between Gen. Lansdale and MACV, apparently explaining each one to the other.

The New York *Herald Tribune* had a terribly leader-like picture of our tycoon classmate, Tom **Mesereau**. Tom has now become VP of Horn & Hardart Co. in charge of their restaurants. As I remember our football trips to New York, H&H used to be a place where you put money in slot machines and got apple pie and coffee. The whole tone is now going to go up. In fact, the president of the company was quoted as saying that Tom will concentrate on upgrading the present operation to include a number of innovations. Tom's curriculum vitae is then given to include Leone's from 1952 to 1959

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and his own restaurant in Englewood Cliffs after that. I gather he recently refurbished and reopened Joe's Coffee Shop in Brooklyn. Use Tom's name and you will get good service.

Tote **Talbott's** new assignment which was unknown in the last column has now been announced as Commander of the 366th Tactical Fighter Wing at Holloman AFB, N. Mex. Tote had been Chief of the Tactical Nuclear Branch of the JCS Special Study Group.

An AF blurb announces that Russ **Herrington** has been decorated with the AF Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement in helping to advance the TITAN III missile system. A similar AF blurb announces that Col. Bill **Dolby** is now in Vietnam. Bill is apparently a staff civil engineer with Pacific Air Forces. Exactly what this means, we do not know.

A very dashing 3-page release announces that Mitch **Goldenthal**, who just graduated from the Army War College, has been made Director of the Materiel Dept of the Army Satellite Communications Agency. I did not realize that Mitch was now in the Signal Corps, having transferred from the Engineers in 1962. Mitch has a Legion of Merit for Korean War service when he commanded a battalion for almost 2 years. This joins his Bronze Star and Purple Heart from WW II. I gather that Mitch will live on post at Fort Monmouth.

Pete **Grimm** has called to say that while on a recent junket to the West Coast, he saw Bill **Brady**, Russ **Herrington**, and our long-lost classmate **Taliaferro**. All three are working with MOL which the President recently announced. Vic **Cherbak** from North American Aviation was also in the same conference. In addition, Pete reports that Pat **Wardell** has just retired and will work for the Lawrence Radiation Labs.

The New York Times has reported that Dick **Batson** is now the N.Y. Dist Engr, arriving there from a tour as CO of the General Depot at Kaiserslautern, Germany. A young man from the AF stopped in our office the other day and turned out to be the brother of George **Weart**. He reports that George and Elayta are not lost forever but are also stationed at Holloman AFB where Tote **Talbott** has just gone. George is Vice Cmdr of the 364th Tactical Fighter Wing. There are apparently two girls and two boys spread between first-year high school and college level. Young George is apparently a General Motors scholar, although I do not know where this is going to lead him for college work.

Before leaving for Vietnam, Dewitt **Armstrong** accumulated some poop on various guys in the Washington area. Doug **Blue** sailed for Germany in July on the SS *United States*. The two Blue boys plan a bicycle tour through Europe this summer. Bill **Fritz** reports having seen John **Moses** in Seoul. George **Rebh** was headed from Germany to the Dist Engr's job at Tulsa. Bill and Marian **Hahn** managed a 10-month tour in Washington before heading for Carlisle. Charlie **Burr** has just gotten a second Master's degree in Washington. Bill **Hume** is reported still settled in a suburb south of Seattle, Wash., running on the Democratic ticket for a job in a Republican neighborhood. Bob and Kiki **Marshall** with their 8 children reported living like southern gentry in Mobile, Ala. where Bob is Dist Engr. I gather that Bob's job is complicated by NASA construction responsibilities at the Mississippi Test Operations Site and the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala. Bob and Kiki are non-writers; long ago I gave up hope of getting anything written out of them. I am told, however, that they have the largest welcome mat in that part of the South.

As you may have noted on the last page of the last issue, our former classmate, Hank **Cronin**, finally succumbed after a gallant battle against cancer. Many classmates and friends attended the funeral in Arlington. Our deep sympathy goes out to the whole family who bore themselves so well during these trying several months. Hank had had a terrific Army career and a brilliant future ahead. His loss is great, not just to his family but to the country as well.

The annual picnic was held again this year at Fort Belvoir and was great fun. Several new arrivals such as the **Norrises** and the **Lundbergs**. This year we gave up any pretense of trying a father-son ball game. An increasing number of children have jobs during the summer or are out of town. Swede and Millie Lundberg tell a hairy tale of their trip from Alaska to Washington. Swede wanted to fly commercially from Alaska to Detroit and pick up a new car. When the authorities decreed that he would have to go by MATS, our stubborn friend decided to go almost any way besides MATS. A cross-continental railroad trip was the answer; but since they had no through reservations, Swede, Millie, a dog and all the baggage got off at every stop and climbed back on again after getting the next section of the ticket. This is the hard way to do it, but Swede made his point. Their oldest daughter was married off in Connecticut, and the oldest daughter of Bill and Mary D. **Starnes** was one of the attendants.

Tom **Farnsworth** called in from Maine to relay his plans. Deb and the kids had been living on Cape Elizabeth while Tom was gadding about making movies. However, they have now reopened the Farnsworth homestead at Waterford, Maine, and unpacked the furniture from France. Tom is the English professor at a secondary school in Fryeburg, Maine, where young Deb will also go to school. *Pointer*-style writing will now emerge from the western border of Maine.

That's about it for this time. In desperation, we ask that you send in whatever poop you have of interest.

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THREE MORE! THREE!

What I need is some way of creating an effect like the major league ball clubs who shoot off rockets, sound klaxons, ring gongs, flash bright lights, and play martial music when the local team hits a home run. This is by way of announcing that we have three more brigadier generals, USAF, to wit: John S. **Chandler** Jr., Henry L. **Hogan III**, and Charles W. **Carson** Jr. All were nominated and confirmed in August, and by the time you read this may have received their stars. John Chandler is Asst Dpty Comdr for Space (MOL) with the AF Systems Command at Andrews AFB. Kit Carson is Asst for General Officer Matters in DCS/Pers at Hq USAF. Lee Hogan was AF member of the Chairman's Staff Group, JCS, but relinquished this job in September to Marty **Martin** who is newly returned to the Washington scene. Lee himself—to whom I am indebted for many of the items in this column—is now commanding the 810th Air Div, SAC, at Minot AFB, N.Dak. Our best congratulations and good wishes to Lee and Ann, Kit and Penny, John and Pat. I like to write these notices. Let's whoop up lots more of them (maybe one from the Army sometime?) now that we've got the thing going well.

June '43: Bernie and Ann Rogers at September class party, Washington, D.C.

From one of his frequent boondoggles to the continent, Bill **Peak** brought me back an issue of *Stars and Stripes* with a 3-column spread and picture, datelined South Ruislip, England, on Dick **Shaefer** and his new job as Deputy Commander, Third Air Force. Don't worry about that fog on the runway, Dick, just watch out for those sticky wickets. (When you come back, tell me what a sticky wicket is.)

Jack **Teague** wrote from Austin that he had been in Puerto Rico in July. He saw Norma **Weyrick**, Girl Combat Photographer (see summer '65 column) and the Weyrick young 'uns, all of whom were doing well. Arch **Hill** tells me they are now back in Santo Domingo. I see from the press of 7 and 9 September that Joe is still operating down there.

After losing touch with Hal **Rose** since that night in Wiesbaden in Feb 61, I have surfaced him again here in Washington. Hal has been in a civilian capacity with the U.S.G. for some years. He and Evelyn are at 602 Meadow Lane SW., Vienna, Va.

A much-appreciated letter has come to hand from *Mr.* H.C. **Brill** of 2069 Gabriel Dr., Las Vegas, Nev. 89109. Gus writes with many a colorful phrase that the Pentagon seemed dull after returning from Korea, where he was G4 of the 7th Inf Div. So, he fled to the West, "where the wind blows free across the roulette tables." Gus, a nuclear engineer, is working for the firm of Edgerton, Germeshausen, & Grier, Inc.—short title: "EGG." (I'm resisting any number of fascinating but eggstraneous puns.) He says he misses the Army a lot, but that the nostalgia fades down a little dimmer every pay day. He and Lynn, with six no-longer-little Brills, have built a house and "settled down to sun, sand, and money." Gus concludes with this cheery thought: "Any passers-through will be welcomed and comforted with cold drinks and recommended flesh pots. Please pass the word." The word is passed herewith. Take due notice thereof, and let it be accordingly so done!

Jock **Barickman**, at Fort Monroe, received sudden orders to Vietnam in August. Terry wrote that she and the four children will remove to a chalet in Vermont which, by fortuitous premonition, they built last year. The hasty move necessitated by Jock's orders prevented Terry from notifying people, and she particularly regrets not having been able to see many friends in the Washington area

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June '43: September class party, Washington (l. to r.): Cecile Cover, Lee Spiece, Beanie and Bill Peak.

during the Barickman's short tour at Fort Monroe. Write or visit her at: Mad River Glen, Waitsfield, Vermont. Terry says they can easily accommodate a visiting family of six skiers, excellent facilities being found practically in the back yard.

So there you are. You can ski and skate with the **Barickmans**, or sun and sip with the **Brills**. It's your choice; and this column, as always, is happy to bring you nothing but the best.

Mark and Patricia **Boatner** visited briefly, and we attended a surprisingly well-polished amateur performance of "Brigadoon" one pleasant August evening before they moved on to Carlisle for the current academic year. Mark, the historian and Civil War authority, has never been greatly distressed by academics (except for that one time in yearling calculus), and I halfway expected to find him moonlighting this year as a battlefield guide at Gettysburg. However, since the pay raise has made it, this may not be necessary. Actually, I'm well acquainted with the ground on Culp's Hill myself (in particular, one piece about 5′ 6″) from a recent camp-out with the Boy Scout troop.

Summer, of course, brought many changes here in Washington. Bill **Malone** and Les **Hardy** at this writing are making a major effort to revise the local class roster, and bid fair to come up with a notable document. However, it is extremely difficult to get this sort of thing into concrete; so, if any of you in the area have been omitted or inaccurately entered, please get in touch with Bill or Les, or even yours truly. Marge **Bowley** tells me the Washington class wives' bridge group is active; all are invited to contact her, Betty Hardy, or Nancy Malone for further information.

Quint and Acey **Atkinson** called recently. They are back for ICAF, and are now at 5217 Heming Ave., North Springfield, Va. Bud and Lee **Fredericks** have relocated from Damascus to 1410 N. Vernon St., Arlington. Don **Spiece** eluded me for about 2 weeks after returning from Tunisia, but finally had to show up at our shop for de-briefing. He and Lee are at Timberlane Apts. #102, 7366 Lee Highway, Falls Church, Va. Bud is in DIA; Don with OACSI-DA. Just 2 years ago the three of us met at Rudesheim on the Rhine to help the burgomeister and the picturesque villagers with their annual "wienfest." We gave them quite a bit of help, too—but I guess we'll miss it this year.

John and Terry **Cochran** have also recently joined the capital contingent, and are living at Lake Barcroft Towers on Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Other recent returnees to the area are Hal **Aaron**, Army R&D; Caleb **Cole**, OACSI-DA; Hank **Morgan**, Army DCSOPS; and Rosie **Rumpf**, back from Korea and now in War Plans Div of Army DCSOPS. Ted **Tansey** has also returned from Vietnam to join OACSI-DA in the 5-sider, and has dropped his bed-roll at C-1210 River House, 1400 S. Joyce St., Arlington, Va.

The Washington clan enjoyed a dinner party, arranged with typical finesse by **Hardy** and **Malone**, on 18 Sept at a suave Early-American, carriage-trade diner in Falls Church. The turn-out included the **Aarons, Alexanders, Atkinsons**, Tom **Becketts, Bensons, Blacks, Bollings, Bowleys, Brakes, Buchers, Childses**, "Drahos" **Clarks, Cochrans**, Caleb **Coles, Covers, Fredericks, Galases, Gullions, Hardys, Hagens, Hills, Hogans, Hutchinses**, Allen **Joneses, Knowleses, Langstaffs, Malones, McAdams**, Bev **McCanna** (visiting from Carlisle), **McCords, Magees**, Marty **Martins, McKenzies, Moes, Morgans**, O'Hares, Cynthia **Parker** (Nick is in Korea), **Peaks, Pehrsons, Pinnells**, Roger **Rays, Rogers, Rundells, Rumpfs**, Bill **Scotts, Spieces, Tenneys, Van Aukens, Veaches, Winfields, Woods** and **Wrights**. Samples of all this "Beauty and Brilliance" may be seen elsewhere in the column. (Get out your HOWITZER and read the write-up on Bill Peak. You will note from the party picture that he is still running true to form.)

Up at Carlisle, Ralph and Evelyn **Jones**, now in their second year with the Army War College faculty, had a supper party on 26 Aug for the June '43 students: Mark and Patricia **Boatner**, John and Mayme **Cobb**, Jim and Dottie **Lothrop**, BD and Theo **Spalding**, Tommy and Dorothy **Tomlinson**, Ralph and Barbara **Young**. Bev **McCanna** graced this party, too. Many thanks for your letter, Evelyn.

From various sources come the following welcome news items: Ted **Watkins** is with DCS Personnel, Hq USAF; Tim **Ireland** is Dir Opns, Western Air Force, at Travis AFB, Calif., and Art **Rasper**, back from Vietnam, is with ODCSPER, DA. Robin **Olds** is back from England, where he commanded a fighter wing, and is now assigned to the 19th AF at Shaw AFB, S.C. Jammie **Philpott** is Director of Intelligence at SAC Hq. Your Scribe encountered Nobby **Oswald** and Ed **Cutler** deep in the inner recesses of J5 at the Pentagon. They don't get out very often. (I escaped only with difficulty.) Roger **Kullman** is a wing commander at Perrin AFB, Tex., according to John **Bowley**, who also saw Ace **Parker** when Ace passed through Washington during the summer. He's with the AF Ballistics Missiles Div in Los Angeles. Dave **Davenport** is in Korea. Meanwhile the family remains in Annandale, Va. where Mary is teaching school.

Frank **Dirkes** is on the CINCPAC staff, and George **Newman** on the USARPAC staff out in Hawaii. Cab **Brannon**, who gets back to Hawaii occasionally on Tdy, is with the USAF MAAG in Saigon. Dale **Sweat**, I understand, is commanding an F-100 Wing at Cannon AFB, N.Mex. Bud **Holderness**, having graduated from the British Imperial Defense College, is CO of a B-52 Wing at Kincheloe AFB, Mich. Meanwhile, back at Colorado Springs, Ralph **Hallenbeck** is C/S at the Air Force Academy. Probably many of you knew that, but how many knew that the Hallenbecks' three sons: Don, Ted, and Greg are all cadets at USAFA? This must be a record. Don, the oldest, is Class of '66.

Prior to his retirement in June, Charlie **Jones** received the Legion of Merit for outstanding work in the development of strategic studies. Lt. Gen. B.E. Spivy, Director of the JCS Special Studies Group, made the presentation. Congratulations and best wishes, Charlie. Another recognition of a job well done was the award of the AF Commendation Medal to Hank **Fletcher** at Hq Space Systems Div in Los Angeles. Maj. Gen. B.I. Funk, Space Systems Div CG made the presentation. Still another noteworthy recent recipient of the AF Commendation Medal was Paul **Atkinson**, now Deputy Commander of USAF Aerospace Research Labs at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

More news of retirements, and it seems June '43 is doing its part to alleviate the teacher shortage. All these were effective, I believe, on or before 31 August 65. Bethel **Edrington** is going 'way down to Columbus, Ga., to a college PIO job with a little English teaching on the side. Jim **Christy** will join the staff at Augusta Military Academy, Staunton, Va; and Leo **Hayes** will teach at the Brunswick School in Connecticut. Other reported retirements include: Herman **Hunt**,

June '43: Hank Fletcher receives the AF Commendation Medal.

You know where **You** are, and
You know where **We** are, but
We don't always know where **You** are.
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Walt **Hutchin**, Al **Shipstead**, Dick **Snyder**, and Gary **Black**. Earlier retirements not previously mentioned included: Vince **Gaudiani** and Spike **Phelps**. Best wishes to all of you and your families in your new ventures. Please use this column to tell us your new addresses, recount your adventures, and pass on any good advice which you may have (à la Gus **Brill**).

I started this column with a baseball allusion, which was topical at the time of writing. Let's end it with a blast which will be appropriate when you read it—BEAT NAVY!

'44

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All of us were shocked and deeply saddened to learn of Skip **Werner's** tragic and untimely death in August from complications following a strong attack of influenza. Our heartfelt sympathies and prayers go to Johnny and their 5 youngsters. Johnny **Boning** and Frank **Greenhill** flew out to Colorado Springs from Washington for the funeral services to join the Bob **Brundins** and Jack **Geyers** from the Academy, the E.Q. **Steffeses** from SAC Hq, and the Dave **Fittons** from ADC. Just before this writing, a note arrived from Johnny, addressed to the Class, which said: "The flowers were absolutely beautiful. The manner in which my classmates rallied around me at this time exemplified the deep tradition of true comradeship. I am so proud to be a member of the '44 Class."

Johnny **Boning** had just reported to J3 in the Joint Staff, having spent a solid tour with SAC Hq in Omaha. Johnny, Jane, and their 2 children have settled down near Art and Betty **Hyman** in the Mount Vernon area. We spent a very pleasant evening with Art (now next door in strategic Plans and Policy Division of J5, the Joint Staff), Art's mother, and his family in August. Art filled us in on some of the activities of the Class. Art says that Doc **Hayward** served as C3 for the Inter-American Peace Force in the Dominican Republic, flying down from XVIII Abn Corps with Gen. Bruce Palmer. That must have been quite a challenge. Margaret held the fort at Bragg while he was gone. Art also saw Bob **Samuel** recently in the DC area. Bob, with his clan of 9 chilluns (a daughter in college, 1 son president of the honor society in high school), lives in Riverside Estates near Mount Vernon and heads a Technical Research Agency in DC. Also aboard in Washington, joining the joint staff this summer, are Armond **DiSilvio** in J3; Ollie **Patton** in the Joint Reconnaissance Group of J3; and Steve **Farris** in the Western Hemisphere Branch of J5.

Thanks to Spike **Geltz's** fine arrangements, the Washington contingent got together on 21 July for one of the most enjoyable and memorable luncheons since we can remember. Some 31 '44ers met at the boat landing outside the Pentagon's River Entrance, climbed aboard the President's launch and motored over to Bolling where a waiting bus sped us on up to the club. It was a great get-together, and we saw class members that some of us had not seen for years. Among those attending were: **Black, Bright, Bottomly,** Les **Callahan, Carley, Clayton, Capka, Carlson,** Chuck **Davis, DeArment, Donaldson, Fairbrother, Fowler,** Geltz, **Gregory, Hyman,** Runt **Hennessy,** Kerm **Lindell,** George **Hoffman, Moore, Morrison, Muller,** Jim **O'Brien, Parks,** Bill **Peugh,** Winfield **Scott, Steger,** and **Wightman.**

Les **Callahan,** fresh back from a busy year in Korea, was about to depart for Monmouth to take over as Dir of the Avionics Lab, Electronic Command, a challenging job and one he was looking forward to. Chuck **Davis** retired in June and reported that he is staying on as consultant for the Office of Operations Research Analysis, Office of the Secretary of the Army. Says he's delighted to be able to stay in the same work he has been in.

Larry **Clayton** is keeping more than a little busy in the Joint Actions shop in Air Staff's Plans (XPD). Larry says that he recently saw Ted **Gervais,** now assigned to Minot AFB, N. Dak., and Ed **O'Donnell** in the Officers Club in Rue Marbeuf in Paris. Ed is with EUCOM or SHAPE now. Tank **DeArment** reports that his older boy is now attending the Army Prep School at Belvoir working toward the USMAY entrance exams next year. Tammy **Flynn** was unable to make the luncheon because of continuing flaps in his new job as Chief, Strategic Plans Branch, War Plans Div, DCSOPS. It's a real busy shop, but Tammy seems to be thriving on the work. He looks to be in tip-top shape.

Kerm **Lindell** says that he has now joined Kenny **Cooper** in the Nuclear Power Field Office, OCE, at Belvoir. Kenny has just finished the course at Carlisle and is now digging into his new job. There was a recent squib in the *Journal of the Armed Forces* about Kenny taking over. Bob **Morrison,** still with Secretary Horwitz and a real expert on DoD organization and OSD-JCS relationships, mentioned to us that Wally **Moore** and Joe **Hale** have retired. (Joe is now at the U. of North Carolina.) Spike **Geltz** added that Al **Weston** is with Smith & Co. out in Wisconsin. Spike also mentioned Red **Kimbel's** retirement. Red, who served his final tour with the Atomic Energy Office in OSD, will have joined the M.W. Kellogg Co. in N.Y. by the time of this reading.

Winfield **Scott,** just back from his chores as ordnance officer, MACV, had some interesting comments on the situation in Vietnam. Among other things, Scotty handled all the ammunition requirements for MACV, and what a bucket of worms! Just before his departure he saw Bill **Tuttle,** working with the Op Center in MACV; Buck **Denman,** Dpty Senior Advisor for the Capital Military District, and due back in Washington this summer to work in R&D for the Secretary of the Army; Ace **Edmunds** with the Dpty for Air Opns (chief coordinator for all air strikes); and Bud **Cabell** with the Army Support Command.

Bumped into Tommy **Moore** in the 5th corridor the other day. He is now with PEMA, DCSLOG, having just completed his year at the Air War College, Maxwell. PEMA, incidentally, means Procurement of Missiles for the Army, and Tommy takes over after the R&D people have carried their development through to the production stage. Tommy mentioned that the name of the mortgage investment firm that George **Hayman** has joined is Rause & Co. Is that spelling correct, George?

Spent a very pleasant evening with John and Annette **Sullivan** and their wonderful family recently at their home in Arlington. Dusty **Rivers** was also on hand, driving out from his Georgetown townhouse in his little green Triumph. The three men-folk hashed over Pentagon headaches and world problems while enjoying a swim at the nearby community pool. John now has the Latin American desk in the Military Assistance Office of the OJCS, and he is a one-man fire brigade getting needed equipment down South during the frequent crises. Dusty is still spending long hours in Air Force Plans.

While wolfing a sandwich with George **Blanchard** in the Pentagon Athletic Center the other day, we learned that he is burning some late candles orienting our new Secretary of the Army, Mr. Resor. George had hoped that he would be heading for Europe at the completion of his current tour, but Vietnam seems to be looming large on the horizon in spite of George's recent tour as I Corps G3 in Korea. Jim **Connell,** our Guvnor in the National War College, was recently seen stopping female traffic outside one of the Pentagon's main cafeterias during the August visit of the NWC to the Pentagon. Our intelligence reports reveal that Jim's suite in the River House beats Rock Hudson's bachelor apartment as a lure for unsuspecting bachelor gals.

Up on the Hudson, Coots and Hildegarde **Mitchell,** now comfortably installed in their renovated quarters after "camping out" in south apartments for a while, report that USMAY is great in spite of the extensive construction work that has the place quite torn up. Coots is getting shaken down in his job with DCS for Personnel and Administration. He reports that the '44 contingent at the Point includes: Bob **Smith,** Joe **Losch,** Knobby **Knoll,** Bill **Todd,** Don **McWilliams,** and Bob **Day.** Nearby, in retired status, are Phil **Toon** (running N.Y.M.A.) and Bob **Mummey.**

A recent note from Moon **Mullin** tells us that Moon is working for The American City Bureau/Beaver Associates, "the oldest and best professional fund-raising counsel in the country." He was at Loyola for three months getting them started on a development program. "Same old deal—north in the winter and south in the summer." Moon had had lunch with Carl **Anderson** a couple of weeks ago. Carl was still working with the black gold and enjoying life. He had been there for 4 years and was due back in Oklahoma City toward the end of summer.

George **Pappas** writes from Carlisle that our Class is represented at the War College by Willie **Burr** and Doug **Kinnard** on the S&F; and Joe **Cutrona, Marshall,** Dick **Ware,** Frenchie **Cyr,** Bob **Murphy,** Bob **Selton,** Harry **Buzzett,** Rod **Lindell,** and, of course, George himself in the class of 65-66. George says that Joe Cutrona is sporting a mustache, Alaskan-type, which he maintains is the British-artillery type! As a sidelight, George also mentioned that Lenny **Sims** recently departed Colorado Springs for Hawaii and the CINCPAC staff, where he will be Asst IO.

As for the eagerly awaited 20-year book, George was having trouble rounding up a lot of the biographies and photos, but hoped to have everything to the printer by the end of September so that the book could be in our hands by the end of the year. George **Hayman** had indicated that 300 copies had been ordered and paid for by 1 August. Delays have resulted from "the normal student lethargy at the War College, printer problems, and the time-consuming requests for photos and biogs." A few extra copies will be printed. Classmates who have not ordered a book and want a copy can get one via a request to **Patton** or **Donaldson** in the OJCS, the Pentagon, or to **Pappas** at AWC, *asap!* Only a few extra copies will be available, strictly on a first-come-first-served basis.

Other highlights—Bill **Fullilove** is now aboard the Air War College faculty, Maxwell, having reported from PACAF Plans, Hawaii. Bo **Bottomly** reports that he saw **Johnny**

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Glab and his son at Fort Jay, N.Y., in August. John had just returned from Dakar, Senegal, where he had been the attaché. John had moaned: "I've got myself qualified in four European languages and volunteered for Europe, so they sent me to Washington." He was headed for Army Map Service which he said was the only job he would accept in DC. We think his assignment has since been changed. Bo flew out to the AF Academy over Labor Day to visit his boy who was just finishing Beast Barracks. Bo had also received a call from John **Susott** who had recently arrived in TAC Hq at Langley, assigned to Plans.

We hear that Jack **Vitullo** left Langley for C&GSC to be an instructor. Just across the way, Phil **Grant**, with the Comptroller's Office at Hq CONARC, called to say hello and to report that he, Grace, and the chilluns are in fine shape. Phil works at keeping that top-notch golf game of his down in the 70's whenever his chores permit. Lindley **Ellis** had been at CONARC, but we think he has since retired. Harry **Grace** is nearby as a member of Faculty Group A at the AFSC. Bill **Fairbrother** reports that Buck **Melton**, VP of Sunbeam Inc., in Chicago, has a boy at Princeton and a daughter still at home. Eddie **Stahl** at last notice was one of the last B-47 squadron commanders at Lincoln, and Buba **McElvey** was Exec to Gen. Schriever at AFSC, Andrews AFB. Fair-B was about to take one of his daughters out to Evanston, Ill., to start her off at the National College of Education, and was hoping to get his number 2 daughter into Allegheny, Pa.

The Army finally worked its way through the two-year-long colonels' promotion list, which included **Capka, Cooper, Connell, Cushman, Daniel, Donaldson, Hennessey, Kinnard, McAuliffe,** and **Pollin.** That makes way for the bunch on the recently published selection list reported in our last column.

By the time you see this issue, many of us will have migrated up to our Alma Mater for Homecoming or other football weekends.

Please send in news and photos so that all of the Class may read about the reunions.

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Retirements

Several of you have requested the names of those classmates who have retired, and Jim **Holcomb**, our new and eager class secretary has prepared the following list of the Army retirees (info on the Air Force will be in the next issue.):

Retired through *June 1964*: **Boleyn; Campbell** C.S.; **Campbell** R.W.; **Carhartt; Childs; Clark** W.D.; **Gilbert** L.J.; **Hartwig; Josey; Karr; Kerr; King** H.L.; **Lott; Lunney; McPeek; Michalak; Norris; Nunn; Peterson; Soik; Spear; Stough; Taylor** W.B.; **Wilson** H.D.; and **Zeller.** *July '64*: **Collins** W. *February '65*: **Kochli.** *March '65*: **Berg.**

June '65: **Bell; Cain; Clark** R.L.; **Dowd; Erlenkotter; Forssell; Griffith; Humphreys; Jones** F.E.; **LaPrad; Mahan; McNamee; Mehner; Oppenheimer; Perry** W.O.; **Shoaff; Smith** G.F.; **Wahl; Cunningham; Robson;** and **Wilcox** P.O. *July '65*: **Fox** L.J.; **Harrington; Jackson** G.D.; **Lutz;** and **Spann** C.W.

Several others who have just retired or will shortly are: Herm **Napier**, Chuck **Knudsen**, Linc **Landis**, and Bob **Burgess.**

Undefeated, Untied, and Unscored Upon

This phrase could well describe Bill

1945: On summer leave at Air Force Academy, J.B. MacWherter Jr., USAFA '68 (left) and Jesse C. Gatlin III, USMA '68.

Glynn's record as Mayor of Hartford, as he recently announced that he was not going to seek reelection after what the Hartford *Times* described as "four solid years of good performance behind him." Bill is leaving public life reluctantly in order to devote more time to Jacque, the children and the law practice. As the Hartford *Times* noted, "Few mayors have given more time and greater energy to meeting the problems of the community than this attractive young man (sic) has. And he was motivated less by ambition for political advancement than by an uncommon sense of mission in the cause of public betterment." Well done, Bill.

Jim **Reints** has kindly contributed the following AF info: As of 2 September, we have three more AF Cols—all below-the-zoners. Bud **Farris**, Wally **Hynds**, and John **Pauly** deserve the congratulations and owe the cigars. To the Pentagon (AFORQ) from Naval War College, both Bob **Hegenberger** and D.M. **Field.** Butch **Foley** from NWC to AF Systems Command at Andrews AFB, where Harry **Maynard**, Bobby **Marlow**, Frank **Marvin**, and Joe **Ledford** preceded him. We hear they may work for an old friend, Col. Heflebower, a Stewart Field Tac.

Those who thought he didn't speak English will be surprised to hear that, Carolina drawl and all, Jess **Gatlin** has been appointed a permanent member of the USAF Academy staff in the English department. Another prof, Ray **Basham**, is retiring to teach EE at Maryland.

Others in the Washington area: Don **Bissell**, Ken **Russell**, George **Berger**, and Bob **Trimble** are all at ICAF. Bill **Gilbert** is studying Korean here prior to an attaché assignment in the "land of the morning calm." Ernie **Davis** is assigned to the office of Aerospace Research. Hal **Chesney** is with Internal Revenue Service. Boots **Blesse**, Wally **Hynds**, and Ken **Blood** are at the National War College.

Other assignments: Harry **Walker**, a troop carrier Ops officer at Sewart; John **Ludlow**, Systems Program Director for the yet-to-be-approved new bomber, the AMSA, at Wright-Pat; Bill **Preston** at the Naval War College; Frank **Lish** and Harry **Patrick** at SAC Hq at Offutt.

Air War College

Dick **Perez** has forwarded the names of those spending a restful year at Montgomery, to wit:

Army: Ernie **Braucher**, Bob **Dingeman**, and John **Tyler.**

Air Force: Chuck **Avery**, Bill **Jones**, John **Liebel**, Dick **Minor**, Offa **Nichols**, Dick **Perez**, Bill **Pugh**, John **Sherwood**, Chet **Skelton**, Hank **Stick**, Hal **Swain**, and Bill **Wood.**

Dick also reports Randy **Heard** just arrived, assigned to the staff of the Air Command and Staff College.

Death of Jacques Beezley

It is with deep regret that Jacques **Beezley's** death is reported. It came as a result of injuries sustained in a T-38 crash on 12 July at Edwards AFB. Jacques was one of our very finest, and our deepest heartfelt sympathies go out to Mary Beth, our class godson, Bruce, and his brother, Chuck.

Class Memorial Fund

A report on the incorporation was to be mailed to each member of the Class along with the annual roster in early November. The most important news since the annual report was issued during June Week is that the Internal Revenue Service has declared our corporation to be tax-free and that contributions to the fund are deductible on your tax return. Please mail your $50 contribution (or $10 installments, or any portion) to: Class of 1945 Memorial Fund, Box 45, Fort Myer, Va. 22211. Our modest budget for scholarship aid in 1966 depends on everyone's help.

Election of Officers—Washington Chapter

At an unusually quiet (**Jerry Briscoe**, please note) meeting in August, Les **Ayers**, Rolfe **Hillman**, Joe **McDonough** and Jim **Reints** were elected to replace Jim **Root**, George **Smith**, Bill **Barnes** and Jim **Christiansen** as chapter chairman, vice chairman, secretary, and treasurer, respectively, for the next year. The number of classmates in the area now totals about 165. Of this number, about 30 are retired or civilians, with the remainder on duty at the Pentagon, NWC, ICAF, or at nearby installations.

Fort Sill Report

Harry **Amos** reports that Tom **Marriott** is CO 44th Arty and that he (Harry) still commands the 2d Bn, 17th Arty. Jim **Munson** has been CO 2d Bn, 36th Arty, but he and Nancy are heading back to the Washington area 'ere long (DCSOPS).

20-Year Book

By this date you should have received your 20-year book if all went according to schedule. A gift copy is to be presented to each widow or other next of kin of each of our deceased classmates.

The Press Versus the Law

Did you note recently in *Time* Magazine where Editor Jim **Neal** of Hamilton County's Noblesville, Indiana (pop. 7,600) *Daily Ledger* incurred the wrath of the Hamilton County circuit court judge because of an editorial which really hit the mark? Jim merely called one of the judge's decrees "an excellent example of shotgun justice" and was immediately arrested for criminal contempt of court. The article went on to say that if precedence holds, Jim should be found "not guilty." Let's hope so.

Briefly Noted

Jim **Melanson** has been assigned as Information Officer at Hq AMC. Jim **Herbert** is going *back* to Vietnam. Dick **Hartline**, Tom **McCunniff**, and Walt **Root** are hard at work in OPO. Jim **Root** has been tapped to be one of Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor's military assistants, not an inconsiderable honor, so we

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can begin to look for the '45 imprint on actions emanating from 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Bill **Taylor** now heads up the APOLLO Extension Systems office in NASA, another big step forward for one of our most successful classmates. Bob **McAlister** was seen recently in the Pentagon on his way back to Panama and the J5 Sec, SOUTHCOM.

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In just about 6 months the 20th ingathering will begin. I hope that you, as I, are planning to make the trek up to The Rock. For many of us, this Reunion will be the first time in those 20 years that we have seen each other. For others, we may find many who have shared mutual assignments or stations. But for all of us, I am sure, it will be a gay and happy time. Before too long, plans will be forthcoming from our classmates stationed at West Point giving us the main details for our 20th Reunion.

Charlie **Jaco** returned this past summer from Bern, Switzerland, where he was on attaché duty with the U. S. Embassy. He, along with his wife, Jay, and son, Charlie, are now at Fort Hood with the 2d Armd "Hell-on-Wheels" Div where Charlie is in command of the maintenance battalion. His tour in Switzerland was most enjoyable and rewarding.

A 10-member board headed by Lt. Gen. Ralph E. Haines Jr., and composed of 2 other generals, 5 colonels, 1 lieutenant colonel and 1 civilian educator is meeting to review and examine the Army's officer and education training system. The lonely Lt Col is Kibbey **Horne.** This will be the fourth such board to convene since WWII.

The mission director for the Gemini-5 flight of astronauts Cooper and Conrad was classmate Ev **Christensen.** Ev joined NASA in Aug 64. I'm sure we'll hear more of him in the news as new flights come along.

On 10 June 1965, in a morning rite at Blessed Sacrament Church, Los Angeles, Calif., the Rev. Patrick D. **Doherty,** S.J. was ordained. Rev. Doherty celebrated his first Solemn Mass the following Sunday at St. Bede's Church, La Canada, Calif.

Howard **Fuller** is now commanding the 3d Sqdn, 12th Cav., 3d Armd Div, APO N.Y. 09039 (Germany). Fuller is a 1953 graduate of Tulane U. and a recent graduate of the War College.

Billy **Pendergrass** and Charles **McCarty,** Army officers both, have been graduated from the Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. Billy and his wife Anita are now in Washington where he is deputy commander with the Army Map Service. Charles and his wife are now at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Don **Lundholm** has been promoted to Lt Col in the AF at Sewart AFB, Tenn. He is a C-130 Hercules pilot in a unit that supports the Tactical Air Command mission of providing firepower and other air support to Army forces.

Andy **Atkinson** has received the AF Commendation Medal at Lindsey Air Station, Germany, for meritorious service at Hq USAF, the Pentagon. This is his second CM. Andy is an operations staff officer with the USAFE, part of NATO. He has an M.S.E. degree from the U. of Michigan.

Jim **Elder** received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in ground operations against hostile forces in Vietnam. Jim left Vietnam last January and is currently stationed at Fairchild AFB, Wash., as CO of the 7th Region's 1st Msl Bn, 43d Arty.

The class contingent at West Point this fall includes the following: Cal and Gene **Benedict,** Bill and Jane **Bishop,** Ed and Rita **Crowley,** Lou and Betty **Elsaesser,** Al and Mary **Gerardo,** Joe and Polly **Jordan,** Bob and Betty **Kren,** Bob and Jean **Lenzner,** Roger and Nan **Nye,** Ed and Jean **Saunders,** and Bill and Isabel **Webb.** About fifty-five '46ers, locally adopted classmates, and their children attended a "bring-your-own" picnic at Round Pond in late August.

Ed **Saunders** reports from West Point that, unfortunately, the outlook for a really big 20th Reunion during next June Week is none too good. As a result of the expanded Corps and the associated congestion around here during June Week, the Superintendent announced early this month that logistic support in the future will be provided only to those classes celebrating 25th or higher reunions. While this in no way precludes a big '46 get-together next June, it is going to make it difficult to find places to accommodate the Class, not only for billeting, but also for social events. The alternative offered here is to schedule the major reunion festivities over the Homecoming Weekend next fall at which time special priority for the use of the West Point Army Mess and other facilities will be given to a 20th Reunion Class."

'47

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There being a reasonable supply of news available, I won't try to fill up space with sweet nothings.

Bobbie and Al **Geraci** stopped by in Washington en route to Germany and were able to make a one-night stand with the **Lynns.** Al was heading for the 24th Div. (Sig Bn) from whence Bobbie reports that Al is working like a dog. However, before beginning the dog's life, they worked up a 12-day grand tour of Germany and Holland, so it can't be all bad!

After the **Geracis** departed, we **Lynns** were most pleasantly surprised by a last minute call from the AG (on 30 June) that our son should report to USMA. We deposited Tuck at the gym on 1 July and can report at this time that Beast Barracks is now behind him. Judging from his letters, Beast Barracks still bears some faint resemblance to that which we remember.

At West Point we learned that Dick **Littlestone** is off to Germany to command an Arty Bn in the 4th Armd, and that **Gossett** and **Jacobson** are at USMA, bringing the 47 contingent there to a grand total of 6.

A note from the Association of Graduates informed us of the untimely death of Don **Helling** in an auto accident near Needles, Calif., on 26 July. Don had just returned from an assignment in Oslo and was heading for a new assignment in the Los Angeles area. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to his wife, Ethel, and their 3 children who were staying in Wisconsin at the time of the accident.

Received word from the Frank **Boergers,** now happily settled in Omaha. They report that John **Culin** is now in Vietnam. Speaking of Frank Boerger, I unearthed the results of the class meeting held at the Pentagon last June. The local chapter of 47 now boasts John **Hoover** as chairman, with George **Goldsborough** as secretary-treasurer. Charlie **Shields** is to be editor of the proposed 25-year book, and a 20th Reunion committee includes John **Mastin** as chairman, with Hoover as alternate. Members of that committee are as yet unselected. (Do we hear any volunteers? ?) In addition to these "appointments," Dave **Odell** is head of the class memorial/gifts-for-class-sons committee, with the mission of developing a plan for a class memorial and deciding on and buying appropriate gifts for class sons who graduate from USMA.

Some late bulletins announce that Marc **Kinevan** is SJA for PACAF at Hickam AFB, and that Dave **Dunham** and King **Simon** have received their silver leaves. At Leavenworth, Jean **Burner** received the Commendation Medal during ceremonies on 6 July. Here in DC, Al **Haig** received the Legion of Merit from Deputy SecDef Cyrus Vance. Congratulations, gentlemen!

Finally, Pat and Doc **Haskin** stopped off with Bunny and Bill **Nairn** on their way to Germany where Doc will have a PERSHING Bn. Needless to say, Doc was "hot to trot."

New arrivals in and around the Pentagon whom I have seen include: Bill **Conger,** Jay **Bleiman,** and Jack **Dunham.** I am sure there are others I have not run into. Hopefully, we will have some sort of get-together soon, assuming our social committee gets on the ball.

The next column will tell all about Homecoming and any other class activities that you tell me about.

Keep writing! !

'48

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It may be age (which I'm not admitting), but this summer seemed a lot hotter here than the one spent at Bullis Prep 21 years ago (how many years? ?). Anyway, refreshed from a brief sojourn in Michigan and North Carolina, where we joyfully watched real rain fall, we're back for school, football, etc., etc.

Irv **Schoenberg** just called me to say that Jean and Frank **Cancelliere's** 2d son has succumbed to leukemia. He will be buried at West Point. Flowers have been sent in the name of the Class, and every member shares their grief.

I call your attention to the accompanying picture which reached me the day after I mailed the last column to West Point. Our class president, Irv **Schoenberg,** is shown with his former boss, Secretary of the Air Force Zuckert, being awarded the 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Force Commendation Medal. Congratulations, Irv. He and Ann ex-

1948: AF Secretary Zuckert congratulates Irv Schoenberg following the presentation of AF Commendation Medal.

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pect a new addition around November, by the way.

The Class of 1948 reached another milestone during the 2d week in August. DA Special Orders #212 included the promotion of Sid **Berry** to the rank of colonel. I know I speak for the entire Class when I extend heartiest congratulations to Ann and Sid and our hope for their continued success. It is reported that Sid is now 7th Div senior advisor in Vietnam. Ann has remained at Carlisle where Sid finished school in June.

Bob **Petersen** has returned from the exotic Far East and is in OPO. From the brief glimpse I caught of him heading for the local class Happy Hour in July, the tour hurt him not at all.

The aforementioned Happy Hour turned out to be a drag affair at Fort Myer and was very well attended. Elly and I had a previous dinner date, so we had to leave 30 minutes after the sauce started flowing. However, it must have been a real swinger; our 15-year-old "baby sat" for a classmate, who will remain nameless, and was returned home at 3 a.m.! Didn't know there was still that much life left in the Class.

Bill **Patch** is in J5, MACV, while the family awaits his return in nearby Leesburg, Va.

As previously reported, Buck and Sally **Borg** have returned to Washington. Buck is special assistant to Secretary of State Dean Rusk, I am reliably informed. That old Borg efficiency should be permeating State by the time you receive this copy.

You expect transfers in the military, but when those in civil life pick up and move, it comes as quite a shocker. Bev and Jim **Hall** have moved to Conn., he having joined Colt Industries (the gun, not the malt liquor). Almost at the same time, Ben and Barbara **Jacobellis** gave up the federal government after 21 years (cadet time counts in Civil Service), and he has gone with STELMA, an electronics firm in Stamford, Conn. Late word from Ben indicates his purchase of a 7-bedroom house with swimming pool in Fairfield. Both couples will be sorely missed, but the Washington group's best wishes go with them. Jim Hall's new address is: c/o Colt Industries, Firearms Div., 150 Huyshope Ave., Hartford, Conn. 06102.

George and Ginger **Thomas** have arrived and bought a house here. George is in Air Force OPS. Jay and Naomi **Josephs** have also settled in the area; Jay is with Air Force Legislative Liaison. And, from Europe to the National War College at Fort McNair in the District have come Ennis and Novella **Whitehead.**

Lew **Chandler** wrote from Dallas where he is with A.G. Edwards & Sons, a stock brokerage firm. Although he supplied no news, it was great to hear from him. I will never forget his description of trying to spend a quiet evening reading on the balcony overlooking the main room of the Fort Riley Club in 1948 when suddenly the weekly bingo-game riot erupted. A classic, as he tells it.

Ken **Barber** has reported into Carlisle Barracks for the Army War College having sold his horses prior to reporting. Guess he figures on a tough year. Fred **Chanatry** is the SAC Ln O to the AF Special Weapons Labs, if my brief notes are translated properly.

Tom **Phillips** is Acting Head of the History Dept, USAFA, a fact he neglected to tell me when we talked last.

Aviation Week and Space Technology magazine contained an article by Kenny **Pressman,** although I have yet to run down a copy. It is a learned treatise, according to those who have read it. John **Wadsworth** has been assigned to Fort Carson, although I don't know his job there. Maybe Babs will supply it. Another author in the Class, Ben **Loret,** was co-writer of a recent article in the *Air University Review* on manned orbiting space stations.

Blaine **Butler** played host to Denny **Long** at the AF Academy in mid-July. Denny is still located in Shreveport, La. Blaine is number 2 man in the Aerospace Studies Department.

The 23 July 65 issue of the *Armed Forces Journal* contained a story about Tom **Cormack's** receiving the Legion of Merit. A well-deserved honor, Tom. We had the good fortune to be stationed with Joan and Tom at West Point and here. Hope our paths cross again soon.

My predecessor, Norm **Lovejoy,** and wife, Carol, are living in a villa outside of Naples. (Those taking the Grand Tour, please note.) Norm has been doing quite a bit of traveling lately, much to his chagrin, no doubt. Tom **Hoffman** has been ordered to STRICOM at MacDill Field. Through the help of the Post Office Department, I have learned that Carl **Schmidt** has moved from Baltimore to Hartford, Conn. (that's the 3d one up there in this column), and is vice president of the Security Insurance Group. Business address: 1000 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, 06101. Home: 5 Orchard Lane, West Hartford, 06117.

Saul **Resnick** reported in April from San Antonio that he had accepted an offer from the Boeing Company in the Minuteman missile program, and that he and Barbara were moving to Calif. He had been at Kelly AFB in Civil Service. You see, those of you on active duty, you don't stop moving when you step out into civil life.

Maria and Bill **Smith** have supplied their address in Germany: Schuppstrasse 85, Wiesbaden, Germany, or Hq, USAFE DCS/O, APO New York 09633. Bill finished the National War College in June. We also had 3 graduates from the ICAF in June: Jim **Allen,** Fran **Schless,** and Bill **Burns.**

Ann and Jim **Hooker** reported in from Goeppingen, Germany, where Jim is CO of the 144th Sig Bn, APO, N.Y. 09326. The 144th is the 4th Armored's Sig Bn. Ann reports that Kit and Glen **Wilhide** are in Augsburg where Glen is CO of a Bn which, at the time of her letter (July), was in Berlin on rotation duty. Connie and Wally **Hubbard** are in Athens, Greece, where Wally is exec of the Army section of JUSMAG. The Hookers are touring, and plan to do more of the same, including a trip to Greece. Ann notes that she is busy being the magna mater to 24 officers' wives. But, Annie Hookie, you're too young for that!

While we were away on vacation Pierce **Gaver** was in town from his job with Stanford Research Institute in Palo Alto, Calif. Very sorry to have missed my across-the-aisle barracksmate from Fort Riley.

We saw Sarah and Dave **Mallett** twice while in North Carolina (I, a 3d time for lunch and a little tour of Merrill Lynch). Their 2-year-old, Peter, is as red-headed as Dave. The family is destined to prosper: Winkie (USMA 1950), Dave's younger brother, now has the Pabst distributership in western N.C. We helped his profits greatly while there. While in N.C. I gave the Malletts a copy of the Washington roster. They were so surprised to see who was here that I decided it might be beneficial to list them—in time for Christmas-card sending. They are: Howie **Adams,** Andy **Anderson,** Joe **Aron,** Bill **Bandeen,** Art **Barondes,** Walt **Beinke,**

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.

John **Bellinger,** Waldo **Bertoni,** Buck **Borg,** Arnold **Braswell,** Bill **Burrows,** Bill **Caldwell,** Tom **Clark,** Sam **Cockerham,** Bob **Cushing,** Phil **Day,** Gloria **Dent,** Jack **Doody,** Monk **Doty,** John **Egbert,** John **Edwards,** C.C. **Elebash,** Patsy **Fry,** Steve **Griffith,** Stan **Harsh,** Jay **Hatch,** Tom **Hazard,** Sam **Holliday,** Larry **Hoyt,** Jack **Hughes,** Jay **Josephs,** Tom **Jones,** Jack **Kastris,** Joe **Kiernan,** Ed **Kritzer,** Grim **Locke,** Ben **Loret,** Bill **Lynch,** Sally **Macklin** (Jim in Korea), John **Maple,** Walt **Marciniec** (he heads for Europe in Nov), Bill **McGinness,** Houston **McMurray,** Gar **McSpadden,** Joe **Meyer,** Dick **Miner,** Al **Pabst,** Bob **Pater,** Bob **Petersen,** Bob **Pomeroy,** Jake **Pompan,** Al **Quanbeck,** Don **Reynolds,** Bill **Ryan,** Lou **Schalk,** Fran **Schless,** Irv **Schoenberg,** Ivan **Selig,** Chuck **Sunder,** Don **Swenholt,** Mike **Tashjian,** George **Thomas,** Fred **Tibbetts,** Tom **Tyree,** Bob **Van Arsdall,** Dick **Weber,** Wally **Williams,** Ennis **Whitehead,** Stu **Young.** I have also heard that Joe **Seymoe** is arriving to join DASA.

Late word has it that Lyle **Walter** is slated for Bn CO at Fort Bliss come January.

Reported at the Army War College are: Ed **Rudd,** Jim **Jones,** Stub **Clarke,** Jack **Osteen,** and Jim **Barnett.** Carl **Anderson** is at the Air War College at Maxwell. John **Withers** was in town for the July party. He is in real estate with the Gingerskip Investment Corporation, 220 Country Club Drive, Santa Rosa, Calif. 95401.

Noted some orders a few weeks back on Walt **Meinzen** sending him to: U.S. Army Vietnam in October. Otis **Moore** dropped by the Pentagon the other day and is looking hale and hearty.

Neither the Association of Graduates nor I have addresses for the following classmates. Your help is earnestly solicited. They are: Dick **Cudahy,** Bill **Hayden,** Lou **LoConte,** Parry **Sykes,** R.O. **Barton,** Kenny **Olson,** Hank **Stelling,** Jess **Hendricks,** Joe **Gorrell,** Ed **Scott,** Vince **Lewando,** Bob **Hallahan,** Don **Kavanagh,** Jack **Creed,** Ralph **Pearson,** Bill **Dougherty,** Oscar **Kochtitzky,** Ed **Bertram,** Dave **McNeely.**

Let's have some Hallowe'en cards from you folks.

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By the time you read this, the ARMY-Navy game will be just around the corner. I'll be looking for you at the BEAT NAVY game with notebook in hand, anxious to collect those choice tidbits to fill the next issue. Pass me a note if we are too far apart to talk. Deadline for the next issue is 7 Jan.

West Point arrivals during the summer were Peg and Joe **Hickey,** Dept of Military Psychology and Leadership; Doris and Bill **Bounds,** special assistant to the Superintendent; and Bob **Andreen,** Dept of Electricity. Bill **Luebbert,** who is head man at the USMA Computer Center and a permanent member of the faculty, returned after a year at Stanford where he completed work on his Ph.D. As you might expect, Bill, our new local class treasurer, now has all of our doings on tape in his confounded machine. Even

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the computer doesn't know what to do with our surplus class crest medallions, however. (Anyone interested—at $4 each?)

Also on the local scene, we lost Margaret and Huck **Long** to the National War College, Lee and George **Tracy** and Cindy and Charlie **Adams** to the AFSC, Donna and Ernie **Roberts** to Ludwigsburg (near Stuttgart), Germany, where Ernie now commands the 3d Msl Bn, 71st Arty, a NIKE HERCULES outfit, and Pat and Tom **Bamford** to Lajes AFB in the Azores where Tom is the area Engr. Bob and Mary **Fallon** will head for station with Hq USARPAC at Schofield Barracks this fall. Bob, who left here a year ago, will return from Korea where he has been aide to the I Corps group commander, and Mary will join him in Hawaii from Highland Falls where she has been doing the geographical widow routine this past year.

On 22 July, Ed and Nancy **Marks** brought the New York chapter of the Young Presidents' Association to West Point. The organization is composed of young businessmen who are company presidents. Ed is the educational chairman of the group. Bill **Luebbert** was their local host as they were treated to a greeting by the Supe; academic, tactical, and USMA expansion briefings; and a social sciences evaluation on Vietnam. Also visiting here this summer were Willie Hugh **Jenkins** on his way from AFSC to Vietnam and Jeannie and Ralph **Puckett** with Jeannie, 11, Martha Jane, 8, and Tommy, 5. Ralph was on leave from DCSOPS, DA.

Keith **Sickafoose** reports from Germany that he is not at Frankfurt as reported in the spring issue but is enjoying a command job as CO, 6th Msl Bn, 517th Arty, a HAWK unit at Giessen. Since he was involved in HAWK testing at the Air Defense Board, "they" are now making him prove the HAWKS are OK in the field.

Joe **Kingston**, G1 of the 5th Mech Div at Fort Carson, writes that John **Maurer**, Ted **Swett**, and Al **English** are all commanding battalions there. Joe hopes to have one also by the time this is published. Looks like we are about to capture the 5th Mech.

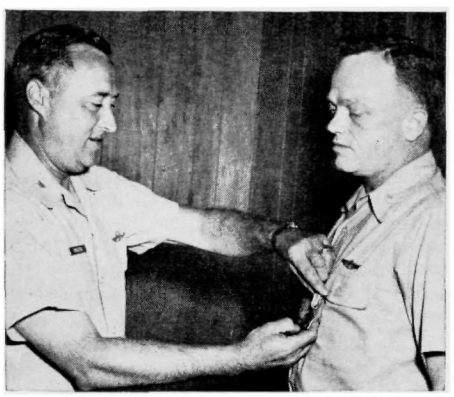
The picture of Newb **Newby** receiving the AF Commendation Medal is courtesy of the AF Home Town News Center. He was cited for work at Lincoln AFB, Nebr., when he left for a new job with AF Log Comd at Griffis AFB.

Congratulations are in order for the following Army classmates promoted to lieutenant colonel during this summer and early fall: Charlie **Adams**, Boyde **Allen**, J.Q. **Arnette**, Ray **Barlow**, Clyde **Bell**, Jack **Bender**, Ted **Boland**, Bruce **Carswell**, Frank **Clarke**, John **Costa**, Jack **Cox**, Seth **Day**, Hillman **Dickinson**, Joe **Eagers**, Jack **Fatum**, Phil **Feir**, Chuck **Heiden**, Tut **Hendricks**, Joe **Hickey**, Bill **Hiestand**, George **Hoffmaster**, Jim **Holt**, Herb **Hoot**, Bill **Huber**, Willie Hugh **Jenkins**, Ross **Johnson**, Bob **Kemble**, Art **Kingdom**, Wes **Knapp**, Chuck **Lee**, Earl **Lochhead**, Harry **Lombard**, Bill **Luebbert**, Bob **Lynch**, Jack **Madison**, Stu **Martin**, Dean **McCarron**, Ken **McIntyre**, Lou **Messinger**, Bob **Miller**, Bill **Moore**, Joe **Muckerman**, Bob **Noce**, Larry **Ogden**, Terry **Powers**, Ernie **Roberts**, Ed **Ross**, Snuffy **Smith**, Chuck **Spettel**, Ted **Swett**, Dick **Tobin** (fall of 64), Burt **Turner**, Don **Whistler**, and Dan **Williamson**.

At this writing, a new Army lieutenant colonel selection list has just appeared. Many classmates are near the top and most should be pinned by late this year. Included are: Bob **Andreen**, Ray **Battreall**, Earl **Betts**, Bob **Black**, Bill **Bounds**, Dick **Bundy**, Jack **Carr**, Dave **Chandler**, Jim **Coghlan**, Jud **Conner**, Turner **Croonquist**, Bart **Day**, Ernie **Denham**, Carl **Fitz**, Eep **Ford**, Joe **Gibson**, Dick **Gillespie**, Bob **Gilroy**, Ward **Goessling**, Bill **Goodwin**, Bernie **Greenbaum**, Norm **Hopkins**, Kay **Huber**, Ogden **Jones**, Bill **Kennedy**, Charlie **Lehner**, Bob **Liichow**, Bill **Lowrey**, Jack **Magnotti**, Gene **Marder**, Art **Mayer**, Skeeter **Meek**, Hayes **Metzger**, Jim **Neil**, Bill **Nordin**, Tom **Oberst**, Pete **Palmer**, Loren **Patterson**, Bruce **Peters**, John **Petranck**, George **Pollin**, John **Rasmussen**, Dave **Rogers**, Bob **Schwarz**, Al **Singletary**, Duane **Smith**, Tom **Stockton**, Bill **Streett**, Ben **Suttle**, and John **Sutton**. My apologies to anyone I may have overlooked.

Lee **Surut** is rendering yeoman service commanding the Arty Bn of the 173d Abn Bde in Vietnam as evidenced by the following quote from a recent *New York Times* report:

"In at least one other sector of military operations in Zone D in the last few days, the same professional approach to the war was evident when the task force artillery, under Lt. Col. Lee E. **Surut**, a 40-year-old West Point graduate from N.Y., found itself moving forward without the usual defense unit in front of it.



1949: Newb Newby receives AF Commendation Medal for work at Lincoln AFB, Nebr.

"The operation was sizable. It seemed to defy the theory that heavy equipment is not suitable for jungle warfare. It included eighteen 105mm howitzers, two 155mm howitzers, six self-propelled 90mm guns, thirteen armored personnel carriers, thirty gun-mounted jeeps, and a wide assortment of trucks and other vehicles.

"The artillery moved out of its original base near Bienhoa and covered 18 miles behind a screen of South Vietnamese Army Regulars. But as they moved to previously planned artillery positions, Col. **Surut** and his men found themselves forced to clear their own way for about five miles."

The following news was collected by Harry **Griffith** when the Washington clan gathered for a luncheon on 14 September:

Jane and Bill **Moore** visited Joan and Bill **Rank** in Washington, D.C., briefly before Bill rejoined his battalion at Fort Lee. Bob, Barb, Linda, and Bobby **Swantz** arrived at Hq USAF on 16 August after 2 years at Stanford U. where Bob was working on his Ph.D. in operations research. Doug **Weart** passed the word that stork No. 5 is about to arrive for the Bill **Workingers**. Congratulations to Joan and Steve **Nunnally** are in order for the baby girl born on 22 April. Steve departed Fort Belvoir in September to attend Northwestern U. to complete work on his Ph.D. At that same luncheon Bob Lynch was boasting of the arrival of No. 6 for the Lynches. Congratulations.

Jack **Cronin**, who has just returned from SHAPE, is now with JCS. He reports that he saw Basil **Pafe** and Joe **Tye** this summer at Offutt AFB where both are in SAC Hq, Plans. Joe **Eagers** and family arrived at Fort Belvoir in June. Joe is assigned to the Nuclear Power Division, OCE. Others in the Washington area include: Norm **Hopkins**, who arrived last March from Laos and is assigned to the DoD staff; Bill **Goodwin** back from JUSMAG, Thailand, in October 64 and now with OCRD, DA; Ort **Spencer**, just back from Korea; and Jim **Holt** who arrived in Feb. Tom **Marsh** reported to the Pentagon recently from Maxwell AFB, and Chuck **Lee** is now with the Combat Developments Command at Fort Belvoir. Gene **Marder** is returning from Korea to the Washington area.

Van **VanderVoort**, who has been assigned to the Military Liaison Committee to the AEC since August 64, says that Em and Jan **Everest** returned from England in September and will be stationed at Langley AFB. He'll be the F-111 project officer there. Tiger **Howell**, who is with OSD, International Security Affairs, saw R. M. **Brown** in Jacksonville, Fla., last February. Tiger says that Brownie is operating a utility company and is locally known as "King of the Sewers."

Hillman **Dickinson**, in his 4th year with OSD/ARPA, points out that Mort and Elsa **Cameron** visited DC for the last class party. Mort is a stockbroker in Pittsburgh. Also, Ab **Greenleaf** is now Military Assistant to Mr. Vance, Deputy SecDef.

Tom **Bullock**, recently returned from Oslo, is taking the Master's course in business administration at George Washington U. They have made him housemother for 78 other officers at the school, including Dan **Brooksher** who has just started the same course.

Don **Keith** will be leaving the Asst SGS job in DA in January for the AFSC. Ericka and Don spent several days with Bernie and Pat **Sabel** at their Beachhaven, N.J., cottage in August. Bernie continues to prosper in industry in Pittsburgh. Hugh **Kinney** has been manager of the Washington Operations Data Systems Division, Litton, Inc., since March of 1965.

Ed **Howard** says he talked by phone to Chuck **Smith** at Sill who said he was on his way to Vietnam via the Civil Affairs School at Gordon. Ed also talked to John **Yepsen** at White Sands. John is just back from Korea. Jerry **Schulz** has recently taken over as G4, 4th Inf Div, Fort Lewis, and finally, Dave **Arnold** announced that he would run another ARMY-Navy game bus from DC this year.

Remember, classmates, 7 January is the next ASSEMBLY deadline. Everyone would, I am sure, enjoy some news and pictures of class ARMY-Navy game and Christmas parties So, while everyone is feeling gay, do elect someone to write to the Scribe.

'50

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Greetings to you all from Pennsylvania where the **Crittenbergers** and Chuck **Eshelman** are with Robin and me to form the '50 contingent at Carlisle Barracks. Dot **Reed** is living in the town of Carlisle for the next 13 months while Bob is in Korea, so we total 6.

The first item of information to pass along is the sad news that Austin **Veatch** was killed in the crash of a twin-engine U8D

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Beechcraft Bonanza light aircraft on 11 Aug 1965. It crashed during a thunderstorm in the AF test area near Edwards AFB, Calif. He was assigned to the Air Force for special duty there. Following memorial services at Edwards, Austin was interred at West Point at 1400 hours 17 Aug 1965. Many classmates attended the simple graveside service. Honorary pallbearers included: Bob **Hughes**, Mark **Hanna**, Mal **Johnson**, Art **Blair**, Ed **Boyle**, Art **Trompeter**, Morris **Herbert**, and John **Rutledge**. The Class placed a lovely floral wreath on the grave. A reception was held at the club after the service where local classmates and wives met Jeanne Veatch and her family. The entire Class extends its deepest sympathy to them.

As you all know, Joe **Griffin** has done a splendid job writing this column, for which we all thank him. Now I have to follow him and must try to do as well. Knowing full well the need for material, Joe sent on to me the letters he had received, and many others have come in from all parts of the world. Thank you one and all; keep them coming!

Joe said that Bob **Hughes** just returned from leave in Asheville, N.C., where he saw Winkie **Mallett** at the Biltmore Dairy Restaurant. Winkie has just become a regional distributor for Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer; what was he doing in a dairy?

Charlie **Elliot**, who commands the Fort Benning phase of Ranger training, recently spent a week at West Point reviewing our RECONDO training presented to the Yearlings at Buckner. He appears to be as fit and trim as any of the cadets.

Another on-the-spot reporter from W.P. is Morris **Herbert**, who tells me that **Fox** (John), **Ebner, Reinhart, Pinto,** and **Rutledge** are the newcomers there, which brings their '50 total to 18. With 6 of them in MA&E, that should be some sort of a record. Incidentally, Stan Reinhart is a permanent associate prof with "juice," following Dave **Cameron**'s footsteps in the Math Dept.

On a trip to Redstone recently, Herb ran into Hank and Phyll **Singleton**; Hank is in Msl R&D as an Asst project officer. At Cape Kennedy, Herb and Ed **Boyle** had dinner with Harry and Lois **Steffensen**; Steff is stationed at Patrick AFB and is working in the Nat'l Range office there. Said he'd like to get back to flying fighters for a living. He mentioned that George **Patterson** is also at Patrick.

Dick and Marilyn **Hunt** left W.P. this summer for AFSC at Norfolk. Then Dick will have a short tour in Thailand where he'll be CO of an Engr Constr Bn. Gray **Tate** just took command of a SERGEANT Missile Bn in Aug. Joan **Fye** called while we were still in Alexandria and said they were looking forward to their tour in Germany; Stan has the 1/81 Arty in Mainz. Chuck **Hayward** is at Maxwell for the Air War College. What's the news from there, Chuck?

Jack **Hendry** sent a newsy letter from Hawaii, and a nice snapshot, but we're limited to one photo per issue and had already received the 15th Reunion picture from Europe, so we couldn't use it. Jack said Dick **Drury** and family were passing through on their way to Okinawa, and that Dick **Steuart** was also there temporarily from Holabird. Other locals are: **Greers, Bashores, Bells,** and Dick **Trefry**. Tug Greer took command of the 1/5th Mech of the 25th Div on 14 Aug.

Eddie **Ramos** urges all '50ers to come to the Philippines! He is Chief, Spec Plans Branch, OG5, Hq Phil. Army. His wife Ming is with the American school in Manila. Tom and Kay **McBride** have been there over a year; Tom is Asst U.S. Army Attaché.

Bess **Banister** wrote that Grady has been made a Div Mgr for Mesa Scientific Corp. Good show, Grady. They often see the **Waddells, Coscarellis,** and **Sharps** (Tom), who live nearby.

Fran **Pick** writes from Auburn, Ala., where she is waiting out the year in a brand new house while Andy is in Vietnam. She managed to wait all of 24 hours after moving in before presenting Andy with No. 3 child, 2d boy, Charles Gary, on 2 June 1965. How's that for timing?

Florence **Underwood** is a faithful correspondent from Davenport, Iowa. Herb is assigned to Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., and they feel stranded "in the cold, cruel, civilian world, cut off from all our Army friends." Doesn't anyone go anywhere by way of Illinois?

Had nice letters from Lucy **Gard** and Ardath **Wilson** (Gail) who have been next-door neighbors in Bad Kreuznach. Now the **Gards** are in DC with 125 other '50ers, while Bob attends the NWC with Paul **Gorman** and Walt **Adams**. The Gards and Wilsons went to Hanau in June to be present for the change-of-command ceremony when Jim **Thompson** took over the Engr Bn of the 3d Armd Div.

Reg **Lombard** wrote a long letter from Heidelberg giving this list of classmates: at USAREUR Hq, Stu **Wood, O'Connell**; at CENTAG Hq, **Shambora**; at USAFE, **Newton, Zavitz, McGill**; at Hahn AFB, **Clement**; at Seventh Army, **McFarland, Oliver, Buckner, Lamdin, Milia**. Win **Skelton** has a Mech Bn in Augsburg; Ed **Crockett** is aide to Gen. Lemnitzer at SHAPE Hq; Clyde **Spence** is at Baumholder where he has an 8th Div Arty Bn. Reg expects to take command of a Mech Bn this winter, so he and Sally will be in Germany till 67.

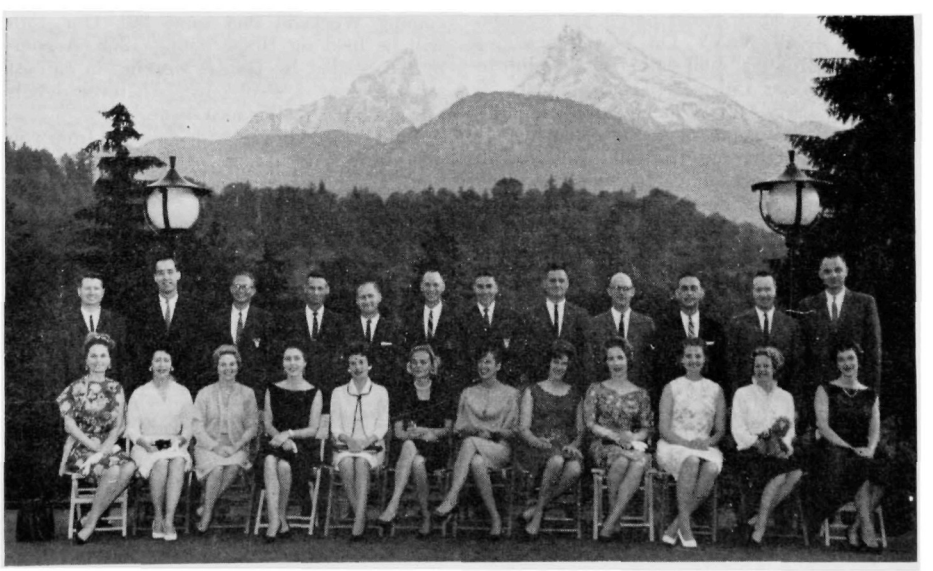
Stu **Wood** also wrote from Heidelberg and sent the photo of those gathered at Berchtesgaden in June for a 15th celebration. L. to r. identification: Sandy and Beth **Oliver**, Dick and Ruth **Newton**, George and Sally **Tilson**, Frank and Ann **Henning**, Carm and Barb **Milia**, Buck and Joan **Buckner**, Al and Judy **Breitwieser**, Stu and Pat Wood, Bill and Pat **Lamdin**, Reg and Sally **Lombard**, Wendy and Penny **Phillips**, Bernie and Jean **Matthey**. Unfortunately the Ed **Foxes** and Dean **Schnoors** were feeding *kinder* and missed the picture, as did John **Wickham**, who was there unexpectedly and had to leave early; John is aide to the Chief of Staff, who was over on a trip. Stu sent along a clever class coloring book that I wish you all could see. He said George Tilson was the hit of the weekend with his guitar "which he could actually play." That must have been some reunion. Stu mentioned seeing Ron **Snoke** in Paris in June; Ron is with the Battle Monuments Commission there.

Jack **Koehler** called in June to say he'd be leaving Colorado to settle Helen and the children at Fort Sill before beginning his VN tour in August.

And speaking of Vietnam, Sid **Steele** sent on news that he was able to get to a '50 dinner in Saigon in July. He said there are many others in-country, but it is impossible to keep track of everyone who is there. At the dinner were: Andy **Pick** who is I Corps Engr advisor; Don **Bohn**, who had arrived the day before and had not yet received an assignment; Les **Holcomb** who is assigned to IMAO (Internat'l Mil Assist Office) which works with allied forces; Chip **Kaseman** who will serve as AF advisor to the C&GSC at Dalat; Dick **Johnson** who is assigned to J4, MACV; Ira **Ward** who is real estate officer in J4, MACV; Bob **Shade** who is Cml officer in J3. Also present at the dinner was Ted **Crichton** who tried to convince the others he had flown his C-130 in from Okinawa because he had heard they were getting together.

Those leaving VN in the next few months are: Tom **Strider** who leaves J3 in September for S&F at Leavenworth; Dick **Kramer** who leaves Sig Div J4 in October; Jared **Schopper** who leaves J1 in December; Pete **Hayes** who leaves Studies and Observations Gp in February; Pete extended 6 months and hopes to move over to Bangkok. Sid leaves J5 (Plans) in December for graduate schooling at the U. of Ala. Incidentally, Jeanie is waiting out this year in Arvada, Colo., where she presented Sid with their 2d boy, 4th child on 23 July—John Arthur Steele.

Malvene **Lewis** wrote from Leavenworth, where she seems to spend most of her time



1950: Fifteenth Reunion at Berchtesgaden. Couples (l. to r.): Sandy and Beth Oliver, Dick and Ruth Newton, George and Sally Tilson, Frank and Ann Henning, Carm and Barb Milia, Buck and Joan Buckner, Al and Judy Breitweiser, Stu and Pat Wood, Bill and Pat Lamdin, Reg and Sally Lombard, Wendy and Penny Phillips, Bernie and Jean Matthey.

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on the back of a horse and, I might add, winning many events. On the S&F there are: **Mastoris, Nutting, Mayfield, Pierce** (Ed), **Warren, Viskochil**, and, of course, Ben himself. Assigned to CARMSA are **Middleton** and **Shaffer** (George). The students there this year are **Chambers, Cameron** (Steve), **Byers, Fahy**, and **Gurnee.**

Our biggest collection of classmates is in the DC area, where 125 are spread all over Virginia and Maryland. **Fooshe, Genuario**, and **Leavitt** are the steering committee for the year ahead, so if you need any info from that area, they could probably give it to you. Newcomers there are: **Ball** (George), **Blank, Bolte, Davis** (Bill), **Dreisonstok, Friedlander, Fullerton, Gard, Graham, Glenn, Hergert, Jennings** (Al), **Leary, Lee** (Emmett—Burke is also there), **Loper, Maxwell, Singer, Slavins, Smith** (Rufe), **Stefanik, Thompson** (Nel), **Tormey, Warner, Wilson** (Pat), **Wood** (Arch).

We're slowing down in our contribution to the population explosion, but there is one more new baby to mention, and that is little Ricky **Tuttle,** born in July to Janie and Tut. If there are others, take pen in hand and let me know.

I understand that after Lee and Ross **Franklin** had to leave Brazzaville, they went to the Cameroons. How about a letter, Ross? We'd like to hear all about what must be a fascinating assignment.

That finishes up the news for this issue. Do write and tell us what you're doing, and pass on word of others you've seen or heard from.

BEAT NAVY!!!

'51

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Pickin's are slim, but here goes for the fall edition.

Our courageous leader, Dan **Foldberg,** holds the reins again and has embarked (us) on an ambitious program back here at the Plain. For those of you who can possibly return to participate, I sketch same.

On 2 Oct 65 our Class reserved the Activity Room in the officers club. Cocktails and such were served immediately after the conclusion of the Homecoming Game (Boston College). We'll be back at the club on 20 Nov for a cocktail/dinner party. The agenda: plan to BEAT NAVY. On New Year's Eve the "homefronters" will gather at the club to welcome in our 15th year. On 21 January 66 a skating party will be held either at Smith Rink or Lake Popolopen. This should provide both laughs and frostbite. On 26 Feb 66 the Golf Club lounge has been reserved for cocktails and dinner. On 26 March 66 a theater party and dinner in NYC is planned. Our civilian Gray Line in the NYC area should find this a convenient event to participate in. Finally, on 14 May 66 we will bid farewell to departing classmates with a dinner party in their honor. Anyone passing through or living nearby, drop me a card and join your flagpole classmates.

Pud and Joanie **Keesling** have settled in Washington. Pud called and passed on the info that the Washington branch is being organized, and that a class meeting will be held soon. Those in the DC area should contact Pud. Dick **Breakiron** surprised all recently with his transfer to AGC. Dick explains, "I have been doing this work so long now I might just as well make it official." The Infantry loses a truly outstanding member; the AGC gains a gem.

News from the frontiers indicates Wayne and Alice **Miller** are on the last lap of an M.S. in mechanical engineering at U.S.C. Wayne writes of his surprise to find (after 2 months) Bud and Irene **Conti** as neighbors. Mert **Bangerter** is also in the area, working in product acceptance test engineering for Douglas Aircraft.

Derrick **Samuelson** has been appointed recently as general counsel and secretary of IT&T World Communications Inc., N.Y.C. He extends an invite to anyone who is in New York and has time, to drop in for talk, lunch, drink, or whatever. Jim **Young** is now product manager, College Division of the McGraw-Hill Book Co., likewise of N.Y.C.

We enjoyed Dave **Carroll's** recent book review in *Infantry* magazine. Shy **Meyer** is now in Vietnam in a Bn Comdr position. Carol has stayed on in Washington. John **Hemphill** joins the ranks in VN, with Peggy holding the homefront in Connecticut. Walt **Russell** is with John as Avn Gp S3, and Nancy is waiting in Columbia, Mo. Stan and Ruth **Sheridan** are in Washington along with Bill **Givens** who has the Japanese Desk in the Pentagon. Gil and Phylis **Stephenson** stopped by West Point en route to Bonn for attaché work. The '51ers here enjoyed the occasion.

Dan advises that we have a new doctor in our Class, Doctor of Finance Fred **Denman,** now Professor at the U. of Washington, Seattle. Congratulations.

John **Ballard** is about ready to leave VN after an interesting tour flying C-123 support missions. He expects to be reassigned to AF Systems Command—hopefully, in Sunnyvale, Calif. John added that Howard and Martha Nel **Wiles** are assigned to Livermore, Calif.

A last-minute letter from George **Meighen** informs that 55 classmates are now in the Washington area. A cocktail party was held on Saturday, 11 September, at Fort Myer, and forty '51ers plus their ladies were present. Joe **Kittle,** the class photog, provided coverage. If I can secure the dashing prints in time, I will include them in this issue. Anyone interested in the names and addresses of our "Pentagoners," drop me a card, and the list shall be forwarded to you.

Reunion time is getting closer. A reminder is in order for those who are not aware of the new reunion policy. Only those classes with reunions greater than 20 years will be held during June Week. Reunions of 20 years and less will be held during Homecoming Weekend that same fall. Our 15th will be held on Homecoming 1966. A committee headed by Dan is working in earnest on our plans. I shall cover whatever details are available in the next issue.

I am confident that with an assist from you all (please send a card!), 1951 will be newsworthy in the next issue.

Remember the deadline: 7 Jan 1966.

'52

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Among those welcoming your new Scribe to the English Dept were Paul **Child** and Skip **Wensyel.** Paul has been patiently answering my many questions ever since I moved into the cubicle adjacent to his, and he has kindly pointed out the numerous hazards involved in attempting to teach plebe English. Skip has been appointed associate professor and executive officer in the Dept this year and is still steadfastly defending his bachelorhood against all attackers. I asked him to explain his AIS insignia, but he refused, saying it was too highly classified. A special note of thanks also to Skip for editing the last column and consolidating the separate contributions made by Ed **Gilbert** and myself.

Other newcomers to USMA include Jeff **Knight** and Joe **Santilli** in the Dept of Foreign Languages and Tom **Rehm** in MP&L. Jeff says the only reason he was selected to teach German was that he studied Russian as a cadet. Somebody must have made a mistake in Joe's case, however—he is actually teaching French, despite the fact that he previously studied French as a cadet. Tom learned all about leadership at the U. of Chicago last year and is now attempting to impart that knowledge to cadets.

Tom reports that while in Chicago he visited Don **Ross** and John **Claybrook.** Don is happy, hale, and successful as the manager of Management Sciences for International Minerals and Chemical Corporation in Skokie, Ill. John is enjoying his work as aide to Gen. Dodge, CG, Fifth Army, and he told of meeting Gordo **Carpenter** when Gordo was at Fort Sheridan for 3 weeks of twin-engine flight training.

Tom has joined oldtimers Craig **Alderman,** Will **Ross,** and Tex **Ritter** in the Dept of Tactics. Craig continues to conduct Armor training for the cadets, while Will and Tex both have new jobs this year. Will is now the executive officer of one of the cadet regiments, and those silver leaves certainly fit well on his capable shoulders. Tex is now the Asst S1 on the Commandant's staff. He recently completed his 3d summer as a company Tac at Camp Buckner, and, for the 3d consecutive year, his company was awarded the trophy for the most outstanding performance during the summer training period. Congratulations, Tex, I'm sure that record will not be broken for a good many years to come.

Wayne **Elliott** is again beguiling cadets with his war stories as an instructor in the history of military art. Wayne visited Lou **Davis** in Charlotte, N.C., this summer and reports that Lou, in addition to selling securities during the week, is busily engaged in an intimate little Sunday-School group during his spare time.

John and Meredith **Garver** paid a weekend visit to Lou and Ann **Arnold** early in September. Lou continues to astound the cadets with his engineering knowledge, and John is staying at Syracuse U. for a 3d year as a geography student. John will join the ES&GS Dept here next year.

Bob **Woodward** and his wife, Fern, visited Bill and Lou **Snyder** last July. This was Bob's first trip back to USMA since 52, and Fern's first trip ever. Bob is stationed at Cape Kennedy with the AF and is assigned to the TITAN III program. Bill, an assistant professor in the Dept of Social Sciences, recently had his book, *The Politics of British Defense Policy, 1945-1962,* published by the Ohio State University Press. The book is the first in a series to be sponsored by the Mershon Social Science Program in National Security and should rank high on everyone's "must" reading list.

Bill **Reilly** has switched from the Dept of Electricity to the Dept of Physics this year, even though he continues to teach the same course. Bill and Peg had a very pleasant visit with Oley **Olson** in Sudbury, Mass., this summer. Bill still has a few copies of the 10-year book on hand. If anyone is interested, drop him a line and order one while they last. During the past summer Gaylord **Sluga** and Ray **Wallace** wrote for their copies from the Far East, and Mike **Juvenal** and Tom **Ayers** wrote for theirs from stateside. At that

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time Mike was busy house-hunting in New Hampshire for his family prior to leaving for Vietnam. Tom, XO of the 1st Bde, 2d Armd Div., Fort Hood, reported the following duty assignments of others at Hood: Jim **Day**, Asst G3, III Corps; Carl **Guess**, CO of the Honest John battalion in the 2d AD; and George **Bartel**, S3, 3d Bde, 2d AD. Thanks for the poop, Tom, and congratulations to you, Will **Ross**, and Ed **White** on being promoted to lieutenant colonel.

Jack **Foley**, an instructor in the Math Dept, is doing a great job keeping up the class spirit here. In addition to those already mentioned, his charges include John **Aker**, Ordnance Dept; Bob **Carlone**, Ln O from the AF Academy; Herb **Hollander**, helping run the computer center; and Don **Pafford**, comptroller.

Both Lou **Churchill** and Jim **Ivers** graduated from the Air Command and Staff College last June and were then reassigned to Ent AFB, Colo.

After working for IBM for the past 6 years, Jim **Spence** has joined the Sperry Rand Corp. and now lives in Riverside, Calif. Jim is marketing manager of the San Bernardino district office of the UNIVAC Defense Systems Division of Sperry Rand. In his new position, Jim is responsible for all defense marketing contacts with the AF and with a selected group of aerospace contractors. Best of luck, Jim, and keep us posted on your future activities.

Before leaving Ithaca, Carol and I had a very pleasant visit with Ed and Pat **Eckert**. Ed was on leave after completing the AFSC. He was slated for a brief course at Rucker and then on to Vietnam as a helicopter pilot about 1 October. Pat and the 3 children are spending the year in Florida.

Tom **Ellis** reports from the Pentagon that he enjoys his job immensely. He works regular hours, directly under Gen. Dick and with the top representatives of industrial companies. Says Tom: "Every day is different and really fun." Tom also noted that the class strength at the Pentagon has recently grown with the assignment of Tom **Leggett** to ACSFOR and Ed **Thompson** to ACSI.

Bob **Dunn** paid a hasty visit here in mid-September prior to catching a fast plane to Vietnam; his tour at Devens was unexpectedly cut short. Audrey and children plan to spend the year at her home in New Jersey.

Gemini-7 certainly has a stellar back-up crew: Ed **White** and Mike **Collins**. We may yet be the first Class to hold a reunion on another planet. Get your reservations in early, however, so that adequate transportation and housing arrangements can be made. While you're at it, please let me know where you are, and what you are doing.

'53

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Somewhat after the fashion of a "minister without portfolio," I find myself virtually an "historian without historical—or hysterical—facts." I trust that all members of '53 had a busy and enjoyable summer. If the dearth of data is any indication, it must have been record breaking!

With the summer came the usual flush of '53ers from West Point as well as a few new faces. The Class kicked the '65-'66 social season off to a roaring start with a party at Round Pond which lasted until the wee hours of the morning. The more circumspect of us left before the witching hour, but rumor hath it that the **Rhynes** and **Piggs** led early-morning aquatics under the early-morning moon. Good way to start off the new academic year—with a splash!

Curt and Butch **Brewer** were through on a brief visit. Curt is at U.S.C. studying something esoteric in engineering, after which a Pentagon or USAREUR tour seems probable. Those of us at Camp Buckner saw Jerry **Brophy** up on a visit with a group from ACSFOR. Jerry is Administrative Asst to Lt. Gen. Conway, the ACSFOR. He reported a generous sprinkling of classmates in the Washington area, but unfortunately time and tide did not permit your Scribe to assemble a listing. How about a rundown from one of the Class in the Pentagon.

Larry **Tatum** recently completed the USAF survival and special training course at Stead AFB, Nev. Larry, currently assigned as associate professor in the USAFA Dept of Political Science, received "... escape and evasion training to enable him to survive under adverse climatic conditions and hostile environments." Are things really that bad in Colorado Springs, Mary? Congratulations on a job well done, Larry.

Joe **Brown** recently received the Army Commendation Medal for his service as aide-de-camp to the commandant of the Army War College. Joe departed for Vietnam last August. Bob **Blum** has been awarded the Joint Services Commendation Medal for his work in the Defense Atomic Support Agency. Bob and Kathryn are presently at Leavenworth where Bob is attending the C&GSC. From San Bernadino, Calif., comes word that Bob **Hess** has been awarded the USAF Commendation Medal for meritorious service as a project officer for the Ballistic Systems Div. at Norton AFB. Congratulations from the Class to you all.

Obie **Oblinger** writes that the Sandia Base gymnasium has been named as a memorial to Johnny **Stoneburner**. The dedication was held before Barbara moved back to Columbus, Ohio, where she is staying with relatives while she and her father do some house hunting. She made the trip in good fashion and is now looking forward to getting settled. Keep in touch with us, Barbara.

Bill **Hosmer** passed through Sandia last April on Tdy. He is still with a TAC 105 outfit on Okinawa but is due home this winter to attend the AFSC. Jim and Pat **Wilson**, children in tow, recently left New Orleans for a tour in Hawaii. Bernie **Hughes** is still at the Lawrence Radiation Lab, Livermore, Calif., working with the Engr Nuclear Cratering Gp. Jim **Toman** is employed there as a civilian. Lou **Andrews** is an air operations officer near Toul, France.

From the civilian world comes the news that Bob **Bartlett** was named special assistant for administration to the Pa. Deputy Highway Secy. In addition to being active in community affairs, Bob is chairman of the Police Civil Service Board in Bethlehem. He and his wife have 5 children. From Chicago comes word, via the newspapers, that Frank **Mleko**, as chief headhunter for the West Point Society of Chicago, really took the U. of Florida's football coach to task for some hasty remarks the latter made about Coach Dietzel and the Black Knights. Good show, Frank!

As of now (7 Sept), Jim **Donahue** says that our "TEN-plus-two" book should go to press momentarily. Jim has done a first-rate job with a literary bucket of worms, and the Class owes him a vote of thanks.

Baby corner

A crown prince, Paul David, to Meta and Dan **Rickard** at the USAFA Hospital.

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

The paucity of detail in this issue's column is not due to a lack of effort but to a lack of news. A postcard to me will add flesh to our efforts in the winter issue. Anne and I will be most happy to see you and get the news firsthand if you are in the area. Only a half hour's notice is necessary, as we can always add water to the soup. BEAT NAVY!

'54

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Like water for New York City, mail was scarce during the summer, but we have a few items of interest.

East Coast

One of the biggest pieces of news about our classmates in this area is the appointment of Hugh **Robinson** as Army aide to President Johnson. Hugh and his wife were flown to the LBJ ranch to receive this honor and to "meet the press." Ronny **Lee** is one of 15 White House Fellows serving for 1 year as the only military man in this select group.

Roger and Ginger **Browne** have settled at the U. of Pennsylvania where Roger is studying computer programming for a master's degree in electrical engineering. Frank **Colpini** is now a PMS at Rutgers U. in New Brunswick, N.J.

John **Shelter** is the secretary of the West Point Association of New York and would like to boost '54 representation in that organization. Anyone in the Greater New York Area who is interested should contact John at Montclair Arts & Crafts Press, Inc., 127 Valley Road, Montclair, N.J.

John **Koun**, still a bachelor, visited the Class at West Point on 11 Sept on his way from Germany to Vietnam. John is now in Military Intelligence.

Ed **Pawlowski** wrote from the Washington, D.C. area of classmates who attended the fall luncheon of the West Point Society of DC. Each of the eight men who were there sent along the latest word on their jobs and families. Ed is a student at Georgetown U. working for his Ph.D. in Russian Studies. He transferred to AIS in 1962, and he and Janice now have one boy and one girl. John **Weiler** is an M.S. Engineering student at George Washington U., and he and Rosemary now have four children. Jot **Thomas** is a protocol officer with ACSI. He and Olga have two girls and one boy. Jay **Massaro** is the XO of the Institute of Heraldry, and he and Jean have three boys. Jim **Obendorfer** is a program manager with IBM, and he and Dolores have four boys and two girls. Ron **Morris** is an Opns Analyst with Planning Research Corp., and he and Jill have five boys and one girl. Steve **Avery** is with Ferris & Co., and he and Jane have a boy and a girl. George **Olmsted** is a branch manager for Arlington Trust, and he and Jane have two boys.

South

Jim **Moore**, who just left the Dept of Foreign Languages at USMA, has an interesting assignment to the Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Together at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, are Leo and Karen **Hobbs** and Ron and

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Faith **Lemanski.** Leo and Ron work in the directorate of R&D, Army Missile Command, along with civilian Bill **Allan.** Leo is in the Future Missile Systems Div, and Ron is on the TOW project. Bill **Klein** was made aide to Gen. Palmer in the Dominican Republic and will return to Bragg in that job rather than following his original assignment to Vietnam.

We received the big story about Dave **Scott** after the column deadline, but we were able to squeeze it in. As an AF major, Dave is the first and only Astronaut from our Class. He is scheduled to go into orbit with command pilot Neil Armstrong in the Gemini-8 space flight next March. The highlight of the 2-3 day mission will be a 96-minute "round the world" space-walk by Dave during which he will work outside the Gemini capsule at the end of a 75-foot-long tether. None of us who know Dave Scott were really surprised by his selection for this important mission, but all of us will be following the Gemini program with more than a little interest from now on.

Midwest

The list of classmates at Leavenworth is long and has been well publicized elsewhere, so I won't duplicate it here, but we have seen some friends en route to C&GSC during the summer. Dick and Betty **Ziegler** came from Fort Riley via the East Coast, and Price **Darling** even made it through here although his home is in Texas, and he was coming from Korea. That recent Korean tour naturally didn't do anything to change Price's bachelor status. Ginny and Jack **Galvin** announce the arrival of a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, on 28 Aug. We will be expecting a full report from the Leavenworth crowd for our next column.

Dick **Tyler** wrote from St. Paul, Minn., that since becoming a civilian in July 1964 he has completed 1 year of study at the U. of Minn. law school. He is working hard but enjoying the academics. Because he made the *Law Review,* he expects the work to increase. The Tylers have 3 boys and a girl now. Jay and Patricia **Edwards** are at Wright-Patterson AFB following Jay's completion of the Air C&GSC.

West Coast

Ken **Bell** received the AF Commendation Medal for his work in support of 2 Gemini manned-space flights. He is an astronautical propulsion engineer with the AF Systems Command unit at Los Angeles which was responsible for conversion of a TITAN II missile to the Gemini launch vehicle.

Bob **Chapman** has been assigned to Norton AFB, Calif., with the deputy Inspector General. After his graduation from the Air C&GSC in June, Bob was selected as one of the 15 alternate White House Fellows and, as such, was one of the guests of honor at a dinner given by the Vice President and at a reception and dinner given by President Johnson.

Overseas

Bob **Morris** has written from Vietnam that he and Lew **Ham** are members of the advisor team to the Vietnamese Military Academy at Dalat. Bob is a military training advisor, and Lew is an academic advisor. Hap **Lieber** is on the 2d Bde staff of the Big Red ONE in the vicinity of the Bien Hoa Air Base. At last report, Beale **Minturn** was also in that area with the 173d Abn. Bob also saw Dale **Jenne** in Saigon during the summer.

In addition to those listed in our last column, the following classmates are recent arrivals in Vietnam: Ed **Roderick,** Chester **Piolunek,** Bob **Hunt,** Al **Sterling,** and Paul **Powers.** Paul is on his 2d tour within a short period of time because of his assignment to the 1st Cav Div which was recently sent over from Benning.

Not everyone overseas is in Vietnam. Jack **Chesbro** is an Arty advisor in Thailand, where Roy **Turner** is a civilian advisor to the Thai border patrol force. Al **Richard** and Newell **Vinson** are in Korea, and Dick **Hoy** is in Germany.

Most of the news in this column is secondhand, so drop a line to Box 54 to let us know the latest on where you are, and what you are doing. The number of baby announcements in our Class has fallen off markedly of late so one of the letter-writing incentives is reduced, but the variety of interesting jobs held by members of '54 is increasing every day. Please keep us posted through this column.

'55

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It is with deep regret that I report the deaths of Richie **Johnson** and Dick **Becker.**

Richie was killed when the L-23 he was flying crashed in a thunderstorm near Edwards AFB, Calif., on 11 August 1965. He is survived by his wife Carol and 2 sons: Ricky, 8, and Mark, 2. They are staying temporarily in Cornwall, N.Y., with Carol's parents. Interment with full military honors was at West Point following a Requiem Mass at the Holy Trinity Chapel on 17 August 1965.

Fortunately, Bill **Welter** and John **Wing** were at Edwards to offer assistance, and they made the journey to West Point where Rich **Cardillo** and Bob **Strati** were on hand to render assistance locally. About 30 classmates and wives from various stations were present at the funeral. Richie will be sorely missed by those who knew him.

Dick **Becker** succumbed on 22 August 1965 after a short hospital confinement. He was buried on 24 August 1965 in Manhasset, L.I., and is survived by wife Ginny and 3 children. Dick **Bean,** Steve **Matuszak,** and Jim **Pirtle** represented the Class at the funeral. I remember Dick as an easy-going individual who was never at a loss for a smile. Despite the fact that he was in the "other" regiment, I had many contacts with him during cadet days, and he could always be counted on to be that friend in need. It is typical of him that he spared us the knowledge of his illness to avoid distressing his friends and loved ones.

It is ironic that I should be writing this column. For 10 years I looked forward to receiving and digesting the '55 Notes in ASSEMBLY. The irony lies in the fact that over that 10-year period I never once took the time to write in my news or news of others. How many others of us are there who are letting the years slip by without doing this little bit which helps so much to keep our great Class together? Many have been writing faithfully, others have not.

May I offer these suggestions which would increase the scope of coverage of our column?

1. Whenever there is a class social gathering, take the time to circulate a notebook for entries by husbands and wives. Forward it as is, or have someone edit the news and forward it.

2. Wherever there are formal class meetings, keep the Scribe on your mailing list for rosters, orders, events, and photographs.

3. As individuals, keep us up to date on your family and assignment news at least once a year. If you've never written, try it, and see how painless it is. Don't let false modesty or other reasons deny your classmates (who are genuinely interested in you) your news. Wives, especially, help keep our column current.

4. Make use of government and civilian PIO releases by including the Association of Graduates on the release distribution.

West Point

The annual summer turnover here at West Point is complete, and the lineup for the academic year is as follows:

NAME	DEPT
Don & Mary Andrews	ES&GS
Dick & Sally Bean	Admissions
Jim & Lynn Bergen	MP&L
Fred & Dorothy Bliss	Tac
Pete & Edie Booras	ES&GS
Don & Carol Buchwald	1st Bn
Rich & Inez Cardillo	OPE
Jerry & Dorothy Crancer	Portuguese
Bud & Bonnie DeMaris	Math
Chuck & Phyllis Domeck	Math
Phil & Dianne Enslow	Elec
Jim & Alverta Fiscus	Math
Jim & Jo Fleeger	Tac
Joe & Connie Franklin	MA&E
Ken & Joan Ginter	Mech
Todd & Sue Graham	ES&GS
Bill & Laura Haas	English
Bill & Jane Hadly	Admissions
Dick & Barbara Hargrove	Tac
Irv & Jean Katenbrink	MP&L
Bob & Marvel LaFrenz	Physics
Ted Livesay	Spanish
Dan & Donna Ludwig	MA&E
Jack & Joan Matteson	Math
Dave & Toni Maurer	Tac
Bill & Fran Maus	MP&L
Bill & Corry May	English
J & Mona McCormack	ES&GS
Dave & Frances McNerney	German
Frank & Joan O'Brien	Computer Center
Bill & Sue Parks	Tac
Paul & Bobbie Parks	German
Russ Parsons	Mech
John & Linda Passafiume	Elec
Fred & Jean Phillips	ES&GS
Al & Ellie Raymond	Soc Sci
John & Ruth Sloan	Soc Sci
Reed & Roberta Stone	ES&GS
Bob & Pat Strati	Cadet Mess
Jerry & Marla Tebben	ES&GS
Ed & Pam Trobaugh	OPE
Joe & Fran Vincent	Math
Tom & Sue Weaver	Tac
Bill & Nat Wilcox	Tac
Dave & Marcie Young	Admissions

As you can see, '55 is well represented at West Point with 45 members, and in addition, can boast of 20 associate class members who join us in our local functions. We are organized with Ed **Trobaugh** as local president, Bill **Hadly** as secretary-treasurer, and Dick **Bean** our social secretary. In addition, the '55 wives have elected Inez **Cardillo** and Ellie **Raymond** to head the ladies' functions.

Our first affair this year was a picnic at Camp Buckner to welcome all newcomers. There was a huge turnout with 73.3% of the classmates attending as well as many of the associate members for an overall attendance, including drags and wives, of 80. In keeping with the precedent set during June Week's glorious 10th Reunion, the picnic was an unqualified success. A good time was had by all, and the only regret is that Irv **Katenbrink** was away, and we did not immortalize the affair with a photograph. Special notes of appreciation go to Dick **Bean** for organizing the picnic and to Rich **Cardillo** and Ed

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1955: Roy Dunaway receives Bronze Star Medal from Brig. Gen. Townsend at Ft. Leavenworth for service in Vietnam.

Trobaugh for procuring the beer (what else!); to **Inez Cardillo**, Mary **LaFrenz**, Lynn **Bergen**, Sue **Graham**, Pam Trobaugh, and Nat **Wilcox** for supplying all those goodies; and to all who came and contributed their good cheer.

Already, plans are under way for a cocktail party at Delafield Pond after the Homecoming game in October and a pig roast some time in November.

Joe **Franklin** will be OIC of the West Point ski team and an assistant plebe football coach. Bill May got his M.A. in English at the U. of Pennsylvania prior to his arrival at West Point. He reports he got a ride over NYC in a Goodyear blimp. John **Sloan** returned to West Point on 10 August after a 3-week trip to Central Samarkand, Uzbek, and Yalta with the American Society of Amateur Photographers. Dianne and Phil **Enslow** with daughters Dorothea, 7, and Dana, 3, are back at West Point after Phil got his Ph.D. in E.E. at Stanford. His thesis topic was "Observation Systems Employing Periodic Samplings," whatever that means. Bill **Maus** claims to have pulled a 5-pound bass out of Weyant's Pond. Personally, I don't believe him. Bill **Parks** reported in to OMI on crutches. He broke his ankle at Lou and Kate **Tebodo's** place in Buenos Aires.

Kathleen **Olvey** spent the summer in Brazil while Don was in Washington. They are now in the Boston area where Don attends Harvard prior to returning to USMA. Jane and Bill **Hadly** are momentarily expecting their 6th child.

Dave **McNerney**, Paul **Parks**, and Ted **Livesay** spent the summer at Middlebury College, Vt., and received their M.A. in languages. Bob **Strati** is the OIC of the Cadet Mess and reports the assignment is a challenge during the current expansion period. Over 3,000 cadets are now being fed each meal. John **Passafiume** attended an 8-week institute in numerical analysis and fortran programming at U.C.L.A. this summer. John is captain of the Electricity "Finks" bowling team and somehow has deluded himself into thinking he and his team will win the post championships this year.

Air Force

Tom and Sue **Weaver** and 2 children leave West Point for Okinawa in October. Tom was Tac of M-1. Fred and Pat **Pirkey** are at Arizona State where Fred began graduate work this summer. Ron **Murray** is on 90-day Tdy at Myrtle Beach AFB from Duluth AFB.

The following AF files were or still are at Edwards AFB: Dempsie **Davis**, Hank **Klung**, Les **Pruitt**, Cy **Cassells**, Jerry **Samos**, John **Hardy**, and Bill **Graham**.

Ron **Weissenborn** and Russel **Hodges** were assigned to Tan Son Nhut Airfield in Vietnam following completion of the rigorous survival and special training course at Stead AFB, Nev. Fred **Phillips** is on Tdy from West Point taking the same course this fall. John and Mary **Pickitt** are at Andrews AFB, Md., following John's graduation from Air Command and Staff School at Maxwell. Frank **Donald** also graduated from the Air Command and Staff College this year, and he and Betty were scheduled to go to Shaw AFB, S.C.

Frank and Geraldine **Chura** are at the AF Academy where Frank is teaching English following his recent studies at St. Louis U. John **Beoddy** was recently awarded the USAF Commendation Medal for meritorious service as project officer at Space Systems Div, Los Angeles. His organization is part of the AF Systems Command which researches, develops, and tests planes and missile systems. Al **Edwards** teaches at USAFA and has been working on his Ph.D. at Stanford. Rod and Mary **Davis** are at Goose Bay, Labrador.

Civilian

Ed **Mendell** is a college scholarship counselor at a high school in East Palo Alto, Calif. Tom and Becky **Bell** had their 3d boy recently. Tom is with Remington Rand in Northberg, Mass. Hank **Hollensbe** is reported somewhere in the Washington, D.C. area. Ben **Johnston** (ex-'55) is a state legislator in La. and is reported to have a very successful law practice in Shreveport. Rod and Ginger **Vitty** and 2 children are living in Doylestown, Pa., where Rod is assistant manager at the Philadelphia branch of the Connecticut General Life Insurance Co.

John **Lovell** spent a month in Korea this summer to further his knowledge of the role of the ROK military in politics from 1948 to 1965. This is one of 5 studies on the topic of the role of the military in developing nations. John is associated with 4 other social scientists who have been engaged for 2 years now on this comparative study. In addition to specializing on Korea, John is responsible for editing the entire volume.

John **Rock** works for Varian Associates in Palo Alto, Calif., and goes to Stanford part-time. Also at Stanford is Charlie **Symonds**.

Dick **Auer** and family are in Denver where Dick is president of the West Point Society. Dave and Judy **Finley** with 2 children are at Colorado Springs where Dave teaches at Colorado College. Joe **Davis** left the AF and attends law school at Valparaiso U., Ind., where he lives with Diane and their son.

Shelly **Freed** works for Overseas Investors in Panama, and his photograph recently appeared in *Time* magazine. John and Anna **Calley** live in East Orange, N.J. John is in investments at a bank in Hoboken.

Joan and Frank **Ceglowski** proudly boast of a new daughter, Mary Ellen, born 8 June 1965. The Ceglowskis live in Bethesda, Md. Joe and Joan **Teifer** live in Fords, N.J. Joe (ex-'55) works for Bell Telephone in NYC. Pete **Hornbarger** is vice president of the Buffalo West Point Society. Bill **Benassi** (ex-'55) works for U.S. Plywood. John **Binder** (ex-'55) is at Lorain High School in Lorain, Ohio. Paul **Smor** is working on his Ph.D. and is with NASA.

June and Frank **Knicreim** and children live in Pompton Lakes, N.J., where Frank is an advisor to the Air National Guard.

Fort Leavenworth

The Class has 15 members at C&GS this year. They held a cocktail party in September at Hunt Lodge. The list (with numbers of children shown in parentheses) follows: Ted & Nancy Bishop (2), Bob & Helene Brown (2), Bill & Joan Chance (2), Roy & Ann Dunaway (3), Jim & Bev Eddins (2), Ray & Ann Gunderson (2), Tom & Ruth Horst (2), Dave & Barbara Hufnagel (4), John & Elle Martling (3), Sid & Pat Mason (2), Rex & Ann Perkins (3), John & Anne-Brigitte Spellman (1), Jim & Mabel Torrence (2), Bob & Jill Wiegand (3), and Bill & Mary Ellen Wix (3).

Roy **Dunaway** received the Bronze Star Medal for his outstanding meritorious service in ground operations in Vietnam from May 1964 to March 1965.

Orders for last year's C&GS graduates include: Pete **Walton** and George **Page** to Vietnam; Wilmer and Marge **McIlroy** with son Robbie to Heidelberg; Tom **Craven** to Nashville Engr Dist; Chik **Chikalla** to the U. of Indiana for studies in PE prior to assignment at USMA in 66; and Hank Meetze and Harry **York** to the Pentagon.

Fort Sill

Jim **Drummond**, Bob **Schmidt**, Bob **Chapman**, and Myron **Minich** are students in the career course. Bob **Stanley** and Herb **Finger** are in post Hq. Jack **McCloskey** is with Materiel Command. Dan **Moses** and Leo **Hergenroeder** are with the faculty. It looks like the makings of a fine group at Sill. Hope we can report on the families and activites next issue. Get organized there, Drummond!

Miscellany

Gerry **Denman** is keeping busy in the G3 shop in the 101st Abn Div at Campbell. Bob **Hinrichs** passed his bar exams in June and is now attending the JAG career course at Charlottesville, Va. Bob writes that Joe **Dado** is pursuing the same goal under the JAG excess leave program. Pres **Mayson** is in the X-ray department at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. Bob and Mimi **Camp** and son Robert Scott, 3, are in Deilinghofen, Germany, where Bob is CO of a missile detachment that supports the British and Canadians. Mike and Betty **Stevenson** had their 2d baby boy in August. Bob and Linda **Newton** had a baby girl in June.

A daughter, Elizabeth Bliss, was born to Libby and Gary **Munroe** in August. Gary is presently in Korea and Libby is in Richmond, Va., with Billy, 8, and Johnny, 6, in addition to Elizabeth B.

Jack **McCloskey** is in Korea. Judy and their 2 children will remain in Lawton, Okla. Danny **Dienst** was reported as being somewhere in Germany and was last seen in the Paris officers club. Zip **Spellman** is on orders to Fort Ord. There are no details on Zippa's May wedding to Anne-Brigitte in Paris. Danny **Dugan** is at Worden, Ala. Dick and Pat **Dinwiddie** and their 5 *Kinder* arrived safely by slow boat in Butzbach, Germany.

Bill **Sietman** left Vietnam in April and is in a Dist Engr assignment at Lake Charles, La. Jack and Susan **Griggs** and 6 children are at Sandia Base, N. Mex.

Promotions

Besides the AF majors announced in the last 2 issues, the Class now has 32 new Army majors who were promoted on the outstanding list: Gilpatrick, Raymond, Horst, Rich Miller, Hagedorn, Joe Franklin, Wix, Coyle, Ludwig, Craven, Fleeger, DeMaris, Guthrie, Jack Campbell, Page, McKinney, Schick, Wiegand, Pearson, Martling, Hufnagel, Boyd, Stone, Walton, Todd Graham, Goldstein, Skaff, Griggs, Gunderson, John M. Hamilton, Hilbert, and Bliss. In addition, Richie Johnson was promoted to the rank of major posthumously.

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Many other Army files of the Class were recently selected for their majorities and will be promoted as vacancies occur over the coming months. I know I speak for the Class when I offer hearty congratulations to those who were fortunate enough to be promoted early.

Vietnam

News from Vietnam is scarce, but we hear through the grapevine that Ted **Gay** wrote for the return of his sweater he left at the 10th Reunion at West Point. It seems his *air-conditioned* office in Hq MACV, Saigon, is too cold for him! With the Engr Div of Hq MACV is Rich **Miller.**

Howie **Stone** cut his WP tour short after 1 year in OMI and volunteered for Vietnam. He took advantage of a long-standing USMA policy which allows sabbaticals for educational development!

Finally, from the northernmost portion of Vietnam, on the Laos border, Matt **Schepps** writes of the leeches, cuts from elephant grass, and rats in his bunker. He further states, "I love it."

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I was pleased to receive a notice from the energetic Homecoming committee at West Point. While I am rather certain that this article will not reach you until after the ARMY-Boston College football game and all of the festivities, I believe that congratulations are in order for the committee headed by Ernie **Wilson.** It is my fond hope that at least one sober picture will be generated from this gathering so that the entire Class can enjoy the party, at least vicariously.

Mike and Jan **Esposito** send along their appreciation for the flowers and expressions of sympathy from the Class because of the deaths of Brig. Gen. Vincent J. Esposito, and, just 12 days later, Mike's mother. All of us had a closer than normal tie with Gen. Esposito because of his enlightened leadership of the Military Arts and Engineering Dept while we were at West Point. In addition, he was famous the world over for his knowledge and his published articles concerning military history and related subjects. For these reasons, our deepest and most personal sympathies are extended to both Mike and Jan.

Mike and Jan and their 2 children are still in Washington where Mike is doing satellite mapping with the Army Map Service. Tom and June **Winter** and their family were also in Washington; however, Tom was scheduled for a Vietnam assignment this fall. Jan **Esposito** learned that Larry **Fitzgerald** has remarried, but we're unable to report the lucky bride's name.

Special recognition is due Charlie **Saint** and Leroy **Suddath** for their heroism in Vietnam. Charlie has added a Bronze Star Medal to his previously received Silver Star Medal. Leroy also received a Bronze Star Medal for his part in the action there.

Barbara **Woods** wrote from her folks' home in Philadelphia that she hopes to join George in Panama in the near future. After completing Spanish courses at Arlington Towers and the instrument examiner course at Fort Rucker in July, George was assigned to the 397th Engineers in Panama.

Betty and I were both convulsed by the Mimeographed letter (or should I say warning?) Tom **Miller** sent from Vietnam on the eve of his departure for home last July. He apparently felt, at that time, that he would require considerable help and psychiatric treatment before he could make that adjustment to life in these United States again. His new address (or rehabilitation station?) will be Pittsburgh, Pa. Welcome back to the land of the big PX, Tom!

John **Oakes's** dad, Lt. Gen. John C. Oakes, USA Ret., forwarded a note informing me that John, the younger, was assigned to Vietnam this past June and is now an advisor with a Vietnamese unit on the east coast, about 250 miles northeast of Saigon. His wife, Carol, and their 3 children were spending the summer at Wrightsville Beach, N.C., with John's parents and will winter with her parents in New York. Her father, Lt. Gen. Thomas W. Dunn, is now CG, First Army at Governors Island, N.Y.

Mel **Wuest** reports that he received a medical retirement on March 1965 because of an intestinal disease which he has had since his Korea tour in 1961. Mel is now with IBM in systems engineering, and the family address is: 948 Anderson Hills Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio. He and Nita welcomed their 3d child, a girl named Jeannine, on 17 June 1965; they now have 2 girls and a boy. Mel, we are all sorry about your medical discharge; however, I'm certain IBM is most happy about it. The Wuests saw Vern and Bobbie **Ebert** on a weekend before the latter left for Colorado and then on to C&GS school at Leavenworth. While being treated at Letterman General Hospital, Mel also saw John **Wall.** John and Suzanne are living in Livermore, Calif., where John is with the district engineer's office with duty at the Lawrence Radiation Lab.

I am proud to announce that John **Foss** is a part of the first exchange program between the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst, England, and West Point. John and his wife, who was appropriately born in Glasgow, Scotland, departed West Point in June. John had been an instructor in tactics at USMA and will be assigned to Old College at Sandhurst as a tactics officer and instructor.

To the best of my knowledge, Bob **Bacon** is the first member of the Class to be promoted to major. He received his promotion while serving as aide to Lt. Gen. William F. Train, Second Army Commander, at Fort Meade, Md. Congratulations, Bob!

Gene **Dewey** received the Army Commendation Medal for duties as company commander in the 169th Engr Bn (Const), Fort Stewart, Ga. Gene's company was the Third Army's nominee for the General Ilschner Award which is given annually to the Army's most outstanding Engineer company. Gene is currently at the Pentagon as Asst executive secretary of the Army Scientific Advisory Panel with the office of the chief of R&D.

Buck **Loggins** recently completed the Air Force survival and special training course at Stead AFB, Nev., and is now assigned as a guidance and control engineer to Tan Son Nhut Airfield, Vietnam.

Bill **Wetzel** is a B-52 aircraft commander at Glasgow AFB, Mont. He and his wife, Patricia, were formerly at Lockbourne AFB, Ohio.

On the local scene, Dex **Shaler** sent me a copy of Bob **Sorley's** recent article in the *Army Information Digest* entitled: "Hall of Tradition on the Hudson." Bob, who is an instructor in the Dept of English, did a fine job of describing the tradition behind Central Barracks, which, as most of you probably know, will soon be demolished.

Ward and Judy **Le Hardy** and their fine family dropped in to see me in July at my office on their way to Coronado, Calif., and thence to West Point where Ward will be Tac of Co. B-4. I would say that time has been very kind to both Ward and Judy, and they have fine looking children. The visit was most pleasant but all too brief.

That's all for now. Please send more letters and group pictures whenever possible.

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It is with deep regret that I must report the death of Bob **Rawls.** Bob was killed in action on 18 Sept while leading Co. C, 2d Bn, 502d Inf, 101st Abn Div against a strong Viet Cong force. He was buried at Arlington National Cemetery. On behalf of the Class, I would like to extend condolences to his wife Joan and their six children, and to Bob's family. Joan and the children are residing at 111 Lealand Drive, Clarksville, Tennessee.

Once again congratulations are in order. First, to those who now wear "scrambled eggs" on their caps. I listed them all 'way back when, so I won't do it now. According to my calculations there should be 21. Next, to those who made it in the secondary zone this last go-'round. They are: Leon **Bieri,** Arcade **Boivin,** Bill **Burke,** Frank **DeSimone,** Bob **Leard,** Bernie **Loeffke,** Ralph **Luther,** Jim **McDonald,** Dana **Mead,** Bruno **Neukamm,** Chuck **Radler,** Nick **Robinson,** Don **Sadler,** Dick **Scholtes,** Jim **Smith,** Dave **Smith,** and Bob **Tener.** For those of us who are not on the list, and regretfully we are in the majority, good luck next year.

At the last class luncheon a proposal was made that the Class donate a monument to the Academy in the form of a water fountain. This is in line with desires expressed by the Superintendent that the alumni help to improve the appearance and the facilities around the post by donating appropriate class monuments which would also serve some useful function.

Now is the best opportunity the Class of '57 will have to contribute a physical monument to West Point. The expansion program and the vigorous campaign for memorial donations by the Supe's Fund will soon be committed to the best projects that are financially within reason. In fact, the Class of 1915 has already donated a fountain near the "A"-squad tennis courts, and the Supe's Class will dedicate one at their reunion in 1966. Theirs will be near the Cadet Chapel. The rising costs of stone monuments is also a factor. The site available to us if we act soon is just outside the entrance to the Post Cemetery. It offers an attractive and dignified location and is also in the public eye. It would be done in conjunction with our 10th Reunion and would be paid for by contributions from the Class. The contributions could be made on a continuing basis, and the fountain would eventually be surrounded by a complex of several benches. All of it would be in granite (black for '57?), and the class seal would be carved into the front. It could also be suitably inscribed.

One of the reasons for donating such a monument is that it would be a permanent structure at the Academy honoring the Class as a whole. This would, of course, be in addition to the annual cadet award which the Class decided to set up last year in memory of our departed classmates, and which is already well into the planning stage. The group here is strongly in favor of the water fountain and has elected Whit **Hall** to

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act as chairman of a committee to look into the matter. Again, we must ask you to express your opinions and make your vote known on this matter.

It is important that a definite decision be reached by the Class not later than 15 December as to whether or not the monument should be built. This is necessary because a contract must be let at that time if it is to be ready by the 10th Reunion. We would also get a better price. Therefore, it is requested that you write to Whit **Hall** in the Dept of Soc Sci before 15 Dec and give him your vote on the proposal. An absence of comments will be interpreted as approval of the idea. Again, the cost (about $3,000) will be borne by contributions from the entire Class, and the monument would be dedicated at our 10th Reunion.

On the local scene and around the country: Sam **Focer** has a picture of the 1957 Armor files. If you desire a copy of that picture, send 90 cents to Sam (Dept of English). Ed **Soyster** has taken the fatal step and will be married on 26 Sept. George **Richardson** is starting a Ph.D. program in industrial engineering at N.Y.U. He will do it at night, which will take about 3 years. He must have "go power."

Diane **Galloway** had a baby girl, their 4th, and Cynthia **Bowman** had a boy, their 2d, near the end of August. Elizabeth **Jenkins** had a girl, their first, in September.

Junior **Gaspard** was suddenly pulled out of the 2d Avn Det in July and assigned to Benning. He is now in VN with the 1st Cav. Before he went, however, he placed 2d in the First Army tennis tourney at Forest Hills. Carolyn is staying in Highland Falls. Frank and Peggy **Hanigan** dropped by just before Frank left for Korea. They have just completed 3 years at Ohio State U. where Frank was working on his doctorate. Peggy and their 3 children will reside in Carmel, N.Y., while Frank is away.

Our party at Round Pond on 2 Sept was a great success. Most of the new people got to meet most of the old people, and we had a few visitors to spice the mixture. There are now 45 of us here, and we have 15 associate members. Among the visitors were Brian and Maura **Kennedy**, and Walt and Maryellen **Pritchard**. Brian has been admitted to the bar in New Jersey and recently participated in his first criminal law trial. Walt is still at Columbia and will join the English Dept next June. Some of the information picked up at the party follows.

Marty, Val, and Craig (4½) **Carson** recently left for New Delhi, India. He is assigned to the Military Supply Mission for 2 years. I wonder how that utilizes the Master's in E.E. he just received from Purdue? Arcade and Jane **Boivin** are at Purdue. They now have 5 children. Fletch and Carolyn **Elder**, and their 2 boys, are in Stuttgart, Germany. He is on ground duty in the 12th Sig Gp. At least that is where he is supposed to be. I recently read that the Army is no longer assigning aviators to branch assignments. Bill **Murphy** was married in Washington in July. There just aren't too many bachelors left in the Class.

Bruce **Stout** passed on the following. Nick and Terry **Monaco** are living in Rockville, Md. Nick is a district engineer and is attending night school in DC to get his Master's. Gordy and Beth **Moreland** are also living in Md. He hopes to set up a law practice there. As a sidelight, Bruce and Bill **Echevarria** both received their Master's from R.P.I. this last June, just prior to joining the Math Dept.

Jack **Solomon** sent the following via Hank **Hatch**. He has completed a 6,000-mile trip from Fairbanks, Alaska, in a Volkswagon and has resigned from the Service. He will join Charlie **Quinn** at IBM in Atlanta. Charlie has been there since 1960. Jack also reported that Don **Winters** and Joe **Russo** are at Fort Wainwright. Bill **Gude** is at Eielson AFB. Joe **Spector** is with his father's company in New Jersey. Charlie **Moses** is at Huntsville, Ala., and Lee **Wilson** is with RCA communications in NYC.

Pinky **Webster** stopped by in August to visit the **Swindlers**. He and his wife Zonell have been at Fort Lewis since May 1964. He is a battery commander in the 6th Bn, 29th Arty, a direct support unit of the 4th Inf Div. Jim **Powell** also stopped by. He and Terri are en route to Ansbach, Germany. He spent the last year as a Recruiting Officer in Buffalo, N.Y.

Steve **Glick** visited WP over Labor Day. He is stationed at Fort Huachuca with a data processing unit. Mike **Houser** will be moving into the area in October. He will be assigned to a missile site at Fort Hancock.

Giles **Harlow** sent a clipping from Hawaii where he is living off-post amid coconuts, orchids, and similar niceties. Giles is stationed with the AF. He saw Don **Baughman** who is Tdy from IBM and is there for a year. Mark **Heath** is at Hickam, as is Paul **Chase**. Paul, who flies an A-1 dive bomber, has just been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in the battle of Dong Xoai.

Got a letter from Ed **Olsmith**. Ed is at Leavenworth for the C&GS course. Other classmates there are: Leon **Bieri**, Bob **Drudik**, Bill **Golden**, Lenny **Marrella**, Speed **Negaard**, and Dick **Scholtes**. Ed says the course is quite rewarding, and they are all getting along well.

Bill **Page** wrote from Garner, N.C., where he is working on an M.S. in math at N.C. State U. in preparation for an assignment at the USAFA. He and Judith have 3 children. Charlie **Wheeler** just got his Master's and is already enroute to Colorado Springs. Charlie and Peg have 2 children and 1 "super" dog.

Scott **Hamner** sent a note from Huntsville, Ala. He and Gail are civilians now. Scott is with the Marshall Space Flight Center and is a project engineer on the SIUB propulsion system of the Saturn V launch vehicle. They have 2 children. Bob **Tilton** is stationed at Redstone Arsenal. He married an Oklahoma girl on 4 June 1965.

Bob **Winters** wrote from the U. of Pa. He and Ben **Beasley** are both studying English and expect to join the English Dept in 66. Katie Winters (don't laugh) had their 3d child in June. Bob asked that Jesse **Ruder** drop him a line. His address: is 815 Gainsboro Road, Drexel Hill, Pa. Les **Prichard** is assigned at George AFB, Calif., where he flies F-4C flights. He recently participated in a joint exercise near Eielson AFB, Alaska.

Warne **Mead** sent the following poop from VN where he is now aide to Maj. Gen. W.B. Roson. Prior to becoming an aide Warne was in the 2d Inf Div area in the northern part of the country. While there, he picked up the CIB. His wife Judy and their 2 boys are living nearby in Cornwall. Dave **Schorr** is still an Inf Bn advisor but is being curtailed for civil schooling. Tom **Garigan** spent the last part of his tour in a Div G-3 section. Previously, while with a Bn in IV Corps, Tom was awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Air Medal. He should now be in grad school and is scheduled to come up here. Parks **Houser** is with the 5th Special Forces Gp (Abn) and has just taken a staff position in Saigon. Parks has won recognition from a majority of the general officers in VN for some of his proposals on operational changes. Dan **DeLany** is aide to the Support Command Comdr. Bob **Vermillion** was in VN but has since rotated. Bud **Miller** is a Psy War advisor in a province not far from Saigon. Jim **MacGill** is working out of Saigon and manages to stay in the field about 90% of the time. Len **Hanawald** is also with a Special Forces Det. Don **Wells** is somewhere in VN, but I know not where. Note to Jack **Pearson:** Warne would like to hear from you. His address is: Headquarters USMAC-VN, APO San Francisco 96243.

Now for some press releases. I get these from the Assn of Grads. George **Bailey**, currently an Asst PMS at the U. of Delaware, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Nick **Robinson** received the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star w/V for his service in VN. As far as I know, he is still there. Dick **Kenyon** received the Bronze Star and the VN Cross of Gallantry. Dick, Virginia, and their 3 children are now at Eustis and will join the Mech Dept in 66. Bill **Burke** was awarded the ACM at White Sands. He has been aide to the CG of the missile range for the last 2½ years. Bill **Hamm** received the USAF Commendation Medal for his work at Schilling AFB. He and Lois are now at Oklahoma State U. Gerry **Galloway** has been awarded the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the ACM. Gerry and Diane and their 4 children have just left for the career course at Belvoir.

I have lost a few notes (very few) I had, so if you saw me or wrote to me and don't see the info here, please write again. Hope to see you all at the Navy game.

'58

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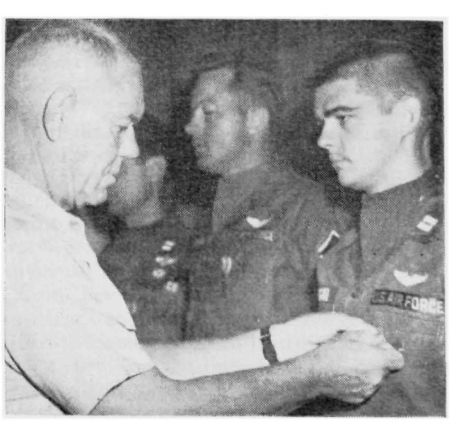
Told you to post your letters early! I admit it *was* a little late when the 10 Sept deadline notice finally arrived at your home on the 12th. Seriously, I guess the best advice is simply to write when the occasion warrants or the mood strikes you, keeping in mind that about every 3 months we go to press.

Hearty congratulations are in order for the following '58ers who in the coming year will don the gold leaves and join the field grade ranks: **Carpenter, Connell, Davis J., Bunker, Drisko, Gell, Giallourakis, Graves R., Hall, Hunt, Isaacson, Loffert, Moore O., Myers,**



1958: Mike Dugan receives Air Medal from Maj. Gen. Pritchard, Cmdr of USAF Special Air Warfare Center.

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1958: August picnic at West Point, Group I.

McCaffrey, Ordway, Palladino, Palmer, Peck, Pointer, Robertson G., Sands, Saint, Shea, Sigler, Smith AA, and Spurlock.

Armor: Don and Karen **Martin** welcomed Timothy Carl, their 3d child, on 25 July at West Point. Don is with the English Dept. Norm **Gustitis,** who has been at the Presidio of San Francisco for the past few years, has orders to USASCV.

Artillery: Bill **Giallourakis** took Antonia Poulos for his bride on 13 June in Grand Island, Nebraska. Their address is: 2 Drew Ave., Highland Falls, N.Y.

Received a letter from Bob **Finkenaur** which was very informative about others, but nothing about what he is doing at his new address at 4747 Cadison St., Torrance, Calif. 90503. Paul **Haushill** has received orders from the staff and faculty, USAADCEN, Fort Bliss, to MACV. At the same time, Roy **Kirkpatrick** returns from Vietnam to USAADCEN.

Hugh **Morgan** will join the 5th Spec Forces, USASCV, from his last station at Sill. Also leaving Sill is P.D. **Vanture** who has been assigned to the Instr Gp, Oregon State U., Corvallis. Wayne **Wyatt** has departed Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., for the Stu Det, Military District of Washington.

Engineers: John **Devens** has departed Iowa State U. at Ames for assignment to the USA Intel School, Fort Holabird, Md. According to a recent *Army Times,* Bo **Craddock** has departed Belvoir for Paris. Nothing like giving you a good specific location.

Sam and Joan **Collins** are departing Fort Belvoir for Germany. Sam's new assignment: command of the 42d Engr Co. with the Berlin Bde, APO N.Y. 09742.

Infantry: Bill **Buchly** has been reassigned from his last station, Korea, to MACV. Also on orders to Vietnam is George **Hussey,** who was last stationed at Fort Gordon. Phil **Pryor** shipped over to Vietnam with his company of the 1st Inf Div. Sally is living in Fayetteville with their 2 daughters. I have her address. Bill **McCaffrey's** orders have been changed from Okinawa to Vietnam. He reports to Bragg in Jan for 3 months prior to departure.

Bill **Gibosky** has returned from Kwajalein to the NIKE-X field office, Vandenberg AFB, Calif. Fred **Goodenough** has received orders to Germany. Fred, Joan, and family have been at Killeen, Tex., with the 2d Armd Div. Ed **Jasaitis** is a 3d classmate of late who has received orders to the 5th Special Forces Gp, USASCV.

Doug **MacLeod** married Patricia Gagnon on 27 Feb of this year in Nashua, N.H. Doug and Pat are living on Angola Road in Cornwall, N.Y. Hal **Lyon,** temporarily assigned to Hq, Fort McNair, has authored another excellent article, this one in *Army* magazine, entitled "Courage of Your Convictions." Ron **Turner** has received orders to the 25th Inf Div., Schofield Bks, Hawaii. Milt and Lucy **Wofford** and family have another year to go at William and Mary College.

Medical Corps: Dick **Hirata** received his M.D. degree from Cornell Medical College on 9 June. During the next year he will be a rotating intern at Walter Reed in Washington.

AIS: Bill Barrie has been reassigned from Vietnam to DIA, DoD, Washington, D.C.

Ordnance: Hugh **Bauer** has received orders from his present station with COMUSARSO to 3d Ord Bn, Fort Bliss. Dick **Garlick** has been assigned to civil schooling at Tulane U. His last station was Aberdeen PG.

Quartermaster: Dave **Coury** has orders to 5th SF, USASCV, from Fort Bragg. Gene **Wentworth** departs Fort Lee for the U. of Pittsburgh soon for civil schooling.

Signal Corps: *Stan and Carol* ***Dus*** *are at* Holabird where Stan is attending OSD. Although I know Stan was thinking of going into the Intelligence branch, I'm not certain that this constitutes a transfer. Bob **Degen** was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon for his performance in Vietnam.

USAF: Burt **Miller,** who recently completed the survival course at Stead AFB, Nev., has been assigned to a unit at Tan Son Nhut, Vietnam. Mike **Dugan** recently received the USAF Air Medal at Hurlburt Field, Fla.

Dick **Price** will finish his graduate study at the U. of Mich. in May 66 and will go to USAFA. Tom **Davies** and Louis **Prime,** also at Ann Arbor, will be there until the spring of 1967, at which time they, too, join the faculty of the Air Force Academy. Bob **Olson,** who normally is a navigation instructor at USAFA, recently paid a visit to USMA to compare notes with our Tac Dept. Bob, in his 4th year at the Academy, is becoming a short-timer there. In addition to news of Army Tacs (Air Officer Commanding), namely Gerry **Schurtz** and "Van" **Van Fleet,** he mentioned that John **Schaefer** was doing research work at an R&D complex the AF has on the grounds of the Academy.

Via Chuck **Cabell** and Walt **Patterson,** I understand that Toby **Kevin** is not at Syracuse U., but is in a 2-year graduate program with AFIT at Wright-Patterson AFB.

Civilian: Tony **Forster** married Mary Jane Myers on 2 Oct at Long Beach, Calif. Tony is with Space Tech Labs, Redondo Beach, Calif.

Ron **Brunner,** who, upon leaving the Service, became a management trainee with the Bank of America, still has his finger in "show biz," I understand, managing a jazz vocalist in the Hollywood area. Dick **Simmers** resigned in August; I don't know his whereabouts.

Bill and Betty **Harrison** have adopted their 2d child, Amy Lynne, born on 22 May. The Harrisons are still at 10505 Westbrooke Drive, Overland Park, Kans.

Here at West Point the summer was marked by the going and coming of newly assigned and visiting classmates. A splendid class picnic was organized by the standing class committee, and a goodly percentage of the 50 classmates and their families stationed here attended.

In September the Class elected a new standing committee to attend to class events of a local nature. George **Robertson** succeeded Bob **Julian** as chairman; Bob **Baker** replaced John **Palmer** as vice-chairman; and Bill **Tuttle** took over the secretary-treasurer position vacated by George Robertson.

Among those in attendance at the picnic were Burke, Tuttle, Hubbard, Lee Miller, Lupi, Connell, Hall, Smith AA, Spurlock, Oelke, Lager, Oberg, Kittleson, Williamson, Hayden, Julian, Thomas, Hunt, Mike Jones, Donovan, Victorine, Sigler, Davis, Mahler, Waskowicz, Mathis, Bradshaw, Sewall, Pal-

1958: August picnic at West Point, Group II.

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mer, Clark, Carpenter, Clary, Robertson, Hudson, Luck (ex-'58), and honorary members Stiepock and Licht. If I've missed anyone, my apologies; it was quite a crush. Needless to say, the picture proves that the wives were well represented.

The following is a thumbnail report on the class finances. On 6 July 56, $5,000 was deposited in the Highland Falls Savings and Loan Assn. This was supplemented by additional deposits of $1,000 and $2,000 on 23 May 58 and 26 Sept 62, respectively. As of April of this year, the total was $7,628.74. I'm certain that Jack **Bradshaw** (Dept of Social Sciences, USMA) or Bin **Barta** (1250 Orchard Park Drive, Rocky River, Ohio) would greatly appreciate an expression of your desires or suggestions as to the purposes to which we should program this sum. A major expense, for example, could be to help defray costs of a 10-year class book. 'Nuf said. What's your pleasure?

Hope to see many of you at the big game. BEAT NAVY!!

'59

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Factual though I have tried to be during the first half decade or so of this column's existence, reprimands continue to arrive from time to time citing instances in which I have erred. Such corrections of fact are sometimes disappointing, not because I especially esteem fact for its own sake, but rather because the mistaken report is almost always more interesting than the correct one. We seem to be able to imagine our classmates in more appealing situations than they are able to place themselves no matter how hard they try.

There is this report about Fred **Wilmoth**, for instance, who is the No. 1 man in the Class in several unheralded departments, which says that he has unloaded 3 "meese" in Saigon for a lone senorita in Madrid. And another indicates that Stan **Kanarowski** is working on a map which will positively locate every nightspot in Saigon, and furthermore, that Stan was delighted to see Fred leave for Spain. Then, there is the one about Doug **Campbell** which says the boy has given up the Infantry for voice lessons in Europe.

Because these rumors are better than the truth could possibly be, I am breaking precedent with them and instituting a "can this be true?" department, which I expect will break all records as an evoker of irate correspondence. And the latter may prove even more interesting than the incredible anecdotes. Meanwhile, something over 50% of those things I pass on as fact will continue to be true.

Carl **Weaver** writes that he is losing weight in Vietnam. He allows that the war zone is becoming something of a second Grafenwoehr, in that every time he turns around he runs into a classmate. The first familiar face he encountered in Saigon was that of Bill **Stocker**, whose combat-ready countenance was most frightening. Also in Saigon he saw Van **Ivey**, who is flying "Hueys" out of Pleiku. Dave **Roush** was supposedly in Saigon at about the same time, which I believe was early August. Monk **Hilliard**, according to Carl, was in Qui Nhon, flying Caribous but was curtailed for 2 months in order to make the advanced course at Benning. Carl himself is the infra-red section leader for the 73d Avn Co. (AS), and in that job he pilots a Mohawk out of Vung Tau. Freeman **Howard** was the intelligence officer for the same company, but by now he is probably on his way to Belvoir. According to Carl's wife, Ann, who is living in Tacoma near Roslyn **Fannin**, Don **Smart** and Bob **Letchworth** were on their way to Vietnam in August.

You may remember my mentioning last year the fact that Carl **Weaver** and Bill **Zierdt** have lived at the same posts since 1949 or so. Everyone presumed that the string of coincidences had terminated when Carl left for Vietnam, but—you guessed it—Bill has orders and is currently being checked out in a "Huey."

Paul **Chalmers** was wounded in Vietnam in June, and at last report was in a hospital in Japan. Glen **Dyer** was last reported to be at Ham Tanh. Rody **Conway** finished the advanced course at Benning in June and is now in Vietnam. His wife, Pat, and the 2 boys are with her parents in N.J. Jack **Poole** just went over with a new aviation outfit formed at Bragg. Joanie is living in Columbia, S.C., with the 2 children, Susie (3) and Jack (6 mos). Jim **Walsh** departed for Vietnam after a tour at Campbell as CO of the 101st's Little John Btry. Phyllis and the children are with her parents in Tivoli, N.Y. Bill **Zaldo** was in Pleiku but left in June for a tour of student life at R.P.I. John **Meyer** is with the 101st in Vietnam, having arrived as a member of the unit's advance party. Eddie **Burba** is with the Special Forces and was last seen at Pleiku where he was a psywarrior in the II Corps area. Jim **Taylor** is back and is currently enrolled at the U. of Mich. Pete **Dawkins** was scheduled to leave for Vietnam in September, and he stopped off at the DLI in Monterey long enough to take top honors in the Vietnamese language course.

1959: "Good will ambassador award" goes to Pete Dawkins for his work in course in Vietnamese at Monterey. Prof. Alex Albov of Pacific Grove's Kiwanis Club makes the presentation.

John **Gurr** and Bob **Weekley** have finished their FAST studies at American U. in DC, and I believe that both are on their way to South America. Craig **Bertolett** has departed for Korea, and Sally and Craig Jr. are remaining at the Las Cruces address. Joe **Hurst** is currently on an unaccompanied tour in Ethiopia. Mark **Magnussen** is back from Korea and is on his way to MIT. Bob **McDonald** was first man in his career course at Benning and is now at Fort Dix. Frank **Campbell** is at N.C. State studying E.E., and his address in Raleigh is 705 Winterlocken Rd. Palmer **Johnson** is in the Chemical Corps and at present is doing well in nuclear physics at Berkeley. Chuck **Lutz**, another Chemical type, is an instructor in radiological defense at Fort McClellan.

Powell **Hutton** is SGS for one of the armored divisions at Hood. Ben and Judy **Dishman** are at Benning where Ben is with the Inf Bd. Their address is: 127B Kessler Dr. Jim **Chappell** may or may not be out of the Service and working for Bell Telephone. J.J. **O'Brien** has returned from Vietnam, and Bill **Lehrfeld** is back from Korea; both are with the 3d Inf at Fort Myer.

Tim **Plummer**, Bob **Riordan**, and Paul **Tomiczek** join the contingent at USMA this fall, as does Marty **Plassmeyer**. Ron **Ernharth** starts a 2-year program in history at Columbia; he and his family have bought a new home in Newburgh at 22 Pacer Dr. He hopes to become expert both in history and in commuting. Peter and Ann **Stromberg** have arrived in Ithaca with Amy (3½); Pete joins me in Cornell's English program. Their address is: 312 Thurston Ave.

Pat and Regina **Passarella** are at the Presidio of San Francisco where Pat is assigned to Hq, Sixth Army. Andy **O'Meara** finished the career course at Knox in June; he has an excellent article in the latest issue of *Armor* magazine on the cultural gap which the American advisor in Vietnam must attempt to bridge. Win **Schepps** received his Master's in social work from N.Y.U. in June and is now a psychiatric social worker in the U. of Alabama's hospital in Birmingham. He would like to contact classmates in the area; his address: 1237 (A6) 38th St. South. Paul **Sper** had a successful 2 years at Harvard and now owns a Master's in B.A. He is a staff trouble-shooter for the Martin Marietta Corp. in NYC, and has Apt. 5C at 649 Second Ave. John **Eberhard** has his M.D. from Cornell Medical School and is currently serving 1 year's internship at Walter Reed.

It is my sad duty to report the passing of another classmate. Clay **Mansfield** was killed in action in Vietnam on 20 July. I have no details, but I hope that someone who does will provide the address of his family prior to the next issue.

'60

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These deadlines come faster every quarter. It seems as though I just wrote one of these. Let's see what's in the mail bag.

Bill **Murphy** is now at Benning for the career course, but he dropped a line from Berlin prior to his departure. He and Gerry had 2 boys and 2 girls as of last Christmas. As far as I know they're the first in the Class to produce 4 offspring, but they're hardly the last, as you'll soon see. Bill commanded the 40th Armor in Berlin. I'm not sure what kind of a unit that is, but he described it as "the local tank corps." (You did say you were a captain, didn't you, Bill?)

Lonnie **Coose** is in G3. He and Carol have 2 girls and a boy. Joe **Arnold** is in G1. He and Judy have an unmatched pair. Bax **Mowery** has a company in 2/6 Inf. He and Bonnie have 2 children. Wally and Terry **Crum** have a daughter and expect their 2d child shortly. Wally commands a company in 4/18 Inf. Mert and Betty **Darling** have 2 boys. Mert is in Bde G4. (That Berlin Bde must have some TO&E. I'm still trying to figure out the Armor bit, let alone a Bde G-staff.) Jim and Martha **Dougalas** have 2 boys and a girl. Jim has a company in 3/6 Inf. Ed **Bellis** is assigned to Sig Div at Bde.

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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.

He and Martha are expecting their first. Sonny Ash got married not too long ago. Charlie **Baker** has a company in 2/6 Inf. He and Nancy have 3 children. With a crew like that in Berlin, it's no wonder the Reds haven't started anything lately. We outnumber them.

George **Heckman** (1247A Cedar, Garden Terrace, Fort Dix, N.J.) is commanding a basic training company at Dix. He completed the Inf Career Course last May. George and Lois have 2 children, Mike and Susan. Bob and Connie **Burnell** (Qtrs 8638, Fort Lewis, Wash.) became parents last 17 June. They produced a girl, Elizabeth Ellen.

I slipped up last issue and forgot to mention that Jim and Joan Wiley had their 2d daughter, Dana, in May. Jim is attending the career course at Benning. Dyke and Jill **Miller** had another girl, Dana Lynn, last 28 June at Fort Knox. Peggy Kane (11 Helm Turn, Willingboro, N.J.) informs me that Jim is still among the surviving members of the Class. He works for Campbell Soup in Camden. The **Kanes** have 2 children, Lois Anne and James Jr. They say for anyone traveling on the N.J. Turnpike to turn off at Exit 5 and say hello.

Bill **Breit** (7914 S. 39th St., Omaha, Nebr.) is with the 4000th Support Group at Offutt AFB, Nebr. His last assignment was with the Atlas missile program at Fairchild AFB, Wash. Bill and Sue have 2 boys, ages 4 and 2. Bill says that since they're located in the center of the country, some of you should be able to stop by on the way through. Joe **Robinson**, Kenny **Sindora**, and Bob **Drennan** were at Fairchild prior to their resignations in 63. Larry **Struck** was also there, but he traded his blue suit for a green one.

John **Ello** is at Vandenberg AFB, Calif., assignment unknown. Karl **Gould** is at Vandenberg with Systems Command having received a degree in electrical engineering. (People like that fascinate me. I still call the Post Engrs to change light bulbs.) Karl and Carla have 2 children. Mick **McManus**, how about letting Bill know where you are? While you're at it, drop me a line, and we'll all know.

Next we come to the judicial branch of the Class. Wilsie **Adams** (4820 Eastern Lane, Apt. 102, Suitland, Md.) is studying law at the Georgetown Law Center in D.C. He just finished his 2d year along with Charlie **Watkins**, Jack **Keane**, and Russ **Dunn**. Wil and Charlie are on the excess leave program. I don't know why people go to so much trouble to get admitted to the bar. All you have to do is show your ID card.

Exemption status of the aforementioned is as follows: Wil and Rosemary have a girl, Cheryl Anne. Russ and Pat **Dunn** have yet to join the diaper club. Charlie and Bobbie Watkins, likewise. Jack **Keane** is still one of those rare animals known as bachelors.

Fenton **Griffith** resigned last winter and works for IBM in N. C. Joe **Naftzinger** is now in AIS in the Washington area. John **DelPonti** works for Kaiser Corp. during the day and studies law at night at Georgetown. He and Michelle have a boy and a girl.

Wayne and Nancy **Clay** (422 Montrose Drive, Colorado Springs, Colo.) are adjusting to civilian life. Lee **Allen** got married last July. Buddy Mease, attending Colorado College, became the daddy of twin girls last June. Jack and Donna **Casey** had their 2d boy, Gregg William, on 17 May. (I'm going to recommend that we rename this column "Kiddy Korner.")

Jim **Ramos** (225 S. Eastbourne Ave., Tucson, Ariz.) is attending the U. of Ariz. He and Connie have 2 girls and 2 boys, Becky, Jennifer, James Jr., and Galen. Jim is still in the Signal Corps and is studying systems engineering. Others at the U. of Ariz. include: Bill **Harnagel**, also taking systems engineering; Stan **Hickman** in aerospace engineering; and Russ **Baldwin** in electrical engineering. Russ's address is: 1802 E. Helen St., Apt. 220, Tucson.

Denny **Dice** (STZ 24, APO San Francisco 96499) dropped me a line from Vietnam. He's working in the Kantum sector. He received an M.S. in mechanical engineering from New Mexico State last January. He and Ann have 2 girls and a boy and expect another boy in January. Don **Straetz** is advising in a sector just outside Saigon. He also got an M.S. in mechanical engineering at N. Mex. State.

Chuck **Titus** (1255B Cedar St., Fort Dix, N.J.) has a company at Dix. He and Peggy have 2 boys. Chuck asked me to mention that some of us should consider participating in West Point Society activities. The main purpose of these societies is to screen young applicants, and to help the better ones to get appointments to W.P. These activities help to improve the quality of our future officers, so there's no question about the importance of their work. Those of you who are interested might contact some of the local members to learn more about their work. (Editor's Note: The Secretary, AOG, can tell you where the societies are located and who to contact, if you're interested.)

I have a stack of PIO releases. They look like Air Force items mostly. Bill **Breit** was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal. Don **Usry** is still at Wheelus AFB, Libya, but appears to be getting around all over Europe. He drives F-100 Super Sabres. Keith **Nance** navigated C-47's in Vietnam. Lyle **Jones** graduated from Squadron Officer School at Maxwell AFB, in August. He's been reassigned to Travis AFB, Calif. Art **Giese** was recently promoted in the foreign service. (Not to be confused with the legion of the same name.) He's at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, Iran, Youran, Weallran, etc.

Charley and Mary Lou **Otstott** dropped by in August. Charley just returned from Vietnam and is going to the Marine Corps version of the career course at Quantico, Va. Wally **Duncan** tried a year of civilian life but returned to the fold. He's attending the associate career course here now, having transferred to Inf in the process. Dave **Wilkie**, Tom **Caraballo**, and Bill **Scudder** recently departed for Vietnam on short-fuse orders. Tom married a young lady named Nancy just before he left. Harry **Calvin** resigned and went back to Texas.

The following just started the Inf Career Course: Tony **Blackstone**, Phil **Blake**, John **Coombs**, Steve **Covell**, Dick **Cox**, Dick **Daum**, Jack **Downey**, Tom **Eynon**, Fred **Faery**, Mike **Field** (to whom I apologize for pluralizing recently), Frank Finn, Gene **Griffith**, Jack **Hoaas**, Darrell **Houston**, Mark **Lowry**, Kim **Mercado**, Dick **McInerney**, Bill **Murphy**, Tim **Schatzman**, Jim **Schwoob**, Rog **Seymour**, Joe **Stilwell**, Frank **Thompson**, and Jim **Wiley**.

Once again I'll have to conclude on a somber note. I just received notification from the Association that Ned **Loscuito** was killed in Vietnam on 20 August. I don't have any further details at this time.

Selected photos of the 5th Reunion activities at West Point are featured in the front section of this issue. Copies of these photos (8x10 glossy prints) are available at $1.25 per print. Order directly from: Mr. Albert T. Murphy Jr., RD #3, Union Ave., Newburgh, N.Y. Please use identifying number with picture in placing your order.

That's all for this time. BEAT NAVY!

'61

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Max **Potter** comments from the Mekong Delta that "... this is the damndest war—frustrating, nerve-racking, but at times the most exhilarating of experiences when something you've been hammering on for weeks finally gets done and indeed works like you said it would." Max, a sector intelligence advisor, reports that the entire Class seems to be passing in review in Vietnam. Among the many he has seen are: Joe **Maio** and Howie **Roberts**, assigned to neighboring subsectors. Tom **Sherburne**, at Da Nang, has reportedly collected more than his share of decorations including the Silver and Bronze Stars and a couple of Purple Hearts. Jim **Cargile** was on Tdy to Da Nang from Okinawa, and Ben **Willis** left the 11th Ranger Bn there to work in the I Corps G2 shop. Gordon **Downey** is stationed in Saigon as Ln O from the 173d Abn Bde, and Tom **Lund** recently left the Bde for assignment with the Combat Developments Command in Calif.

Tom **Minnehan** left Vietnam for the Intelligence school at Fort Holabird in September following a tour with an APC troop in Quang Ngai. Jim **Strachan** writes that he has been in that area since last December and is now a Bn advisor. He has heard that Harvey **Brown**, previously reported as evacuated from Vietnam with pneumonia, has since been transferred to Walter Reed and would like any friends in the area to stop by. Jim ran into several classmates at Monterey while preparing for his Vietnam tour: Lou **Berra** and Dan **DiCarlo** had transferred to AIS and were studying Rumanian and Japanese respectively; Jim **Nicholson** was learning

1961: Max Potter and friends—Mekong Delta, Vietnam.

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French; and Mike **Breslin** was taking Spanish.

A report from another troubled area was relayed from George **Henderson** who was in the Dominican Republic with the 7th SFG as a "B" team S1. In the same team, Nick **Vay** was S3, and Jim **Blesse** S4. George had previously completed the Special Warfare Officers Course in April, along with the following classmates: Charlie **Haas**, Earl **Horan**, Herky **Hodge**, Tal **Hughes**, Hank **Kenny**, and Glenn **Peters**; all were subsequently assigned to the 7th SFG. George recently resigned, and he, Madeleine, and their daughter Gwendolyn settled in Atlanta where he is an engineer for AT&T. He mentioned that Jim **Evetts** and Jack **Fischer** have returned to Fort Bragg from Vietnam; Jim has been ordered to USARMIS, Bolivia, and Jack resigned last spring. Also now in civilian life, Niel **Grigg** is reported to be teaching in Montgomery, Ala.

Scooter **Wildermuth** began his 2d year of law school at Duke after spending the summer working with the 82d Abn Div JAG section at Bragg. He and Sheila announced the birth of a 3d son, Kevin Gerard, in July.

Orders for several AF classmates have caused Martha and Gary **Webster** to move to Hunter AFB, Ga; Catherine and Don **Dreesbach** to James Connally AFB, Tex.; and Pat and Phil **Smith** to Charleston AFB, S.C. Both Smiths recently received their Master's degrees from Mich. State, Pat in speech therapy and Phil in business administration.

Al **Yancey**—better known to the golf world as Bert—has recently run into Ron **Hannon** in Tex. and Pete **Gleichenhaus** in Okla. while playing the pro golf circuit. He requests friends to drop him a line at 720 Matsonford Road, Radnor, Pa., where he, Linda, and their son have settled. Another former classmate, Darryl **Hersant**, is reported to be teaching German at a New England college having graduated from the U. of Conn. in 62. He and his wife, Barbara, have a daughter, Heidi, born last December.

Steve **Denney** and Don **Lionetti** are commanding missile detachments in Europe, Steve in Köln and Don in the Netherlands. They both chose July to announce the arrival of sons: to Missy and Steve, Steve Jr., and to Bobbie and Don, Don Jr. At Wiesbaden, Mary **Harrell** presented Bob with a 2d son, John, in August. Bob is completing his tour as Btry Comdr this winter and has plans for civilian life upon his return. Jan and Bruce **Seidel** returned from Germany in July, and Bruce has orders for the fall course at Knox. Jim **Royce** is a new arrival in Germany having recently finished his studies at the U. of Mich.

Orders for the Artillery class completing the career course at Bliss permanently assigned the following to the Staff and Faculty there: Pete **Gleichenhaus**, Bob **Hamilton**, Jack **Lawrence**, Jack **McLaughlin**, and Wayne **Williams**. Steve **Walker** will also remain there to take specialized schooling in guided missiles. Returning to Sill for troop assignments are Bob **Cairns**, Nick **Muiznieks**, Mike **Underwood**, Frank **Williams**, and Hampy **Hodges**. Hampy and Buffy recently announced the birth of a second daughter, Elsie. Barney **Legge** also received orders for Sill but is in correspondence with USMA for future schooling in French. John **Solomon**, whose wife Mary Jane recently resigned her commission as an Army nurse, is earmarked for graduate work in mathematics following a year at Sill.

John **Kemp** left Sill when the 2/32d Arty redeployed to Vietnam. He will be flying for a 175mm unit, while Julie will settle in their new home in Oklahoma City. Others on orders for Vietnam include George **Seckinger** and Arlen **Miller**; and Pete **Burgess** will join the 173d Bde in January.

Paul **Palmer** is headed for Fort Gordon, Ga., and Hank **Van Gorder**'s destination was changed to Campbell where he joined the 101st. In Air Defense assignments, John **Berinato** and Bob **Kewley** are bound for the St. Louis and Cincinnati areas, respectively. Bob **Potts** left Sill in November, and he and Sally will settle in Chicago where he works for AT&T.

Attending the winter course at Sill are Dean **Frazier**, Bob **Kee**, and Bill **Sievers**, and a reprobate from the Inf, Bruce **Dalgleish**. Bruce and Sue arrived from Hawaii with a new daughter, Nannette Leilani. Karen and Howie **DeWitt** also arrived for the career course along with their Hawaiian-born son, Kyle. Gary **Hyde** is scheduled to report to Sill for schooling, while Charlie **Hansell** was extended in Hawaii for another year.

The following artillerymen are programmed to begin grad school this winter in anticipation of assignment to USMA: Dutch **Coulter**, Jerry **Dombrowski**, and Mark **Popovich** to study math at R.P.I., while Sam **Nutt** reports to the U. of Pa. to earn his Master's in English. Sam recently startled his friends by announcing his engagement; he plans a December wedding in San Diego. Pete **Heimdahl** will prepare for a tour with the Mechanics Dept by studying for his Master's and Doctor's degrees at the U. of Ill., and Joe **Fishburne** is scheduled to specialize in Education at the U. of Ohio with subsequent assignment in the Office of the Registrar. I'll be studying International Relations at Columbia U. for the next year and a half in anticipation of a tour with the Social Sciences Dept. Please note my new address and keep me posted on your activities. Once again the Arty has monopolized this column due to a continued silence from the other branches.

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Dateline Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

I'm sorry I missed the last issue, but it caught me in the Dominican Republic without notes from the Class or time to do much about it. Things here are quieter now, and some of the letters from classmates found their way to this place between Cuba and nowhere. The following classmates made the Dom. Rep. scene: Dave **Windom** in Div G3 now en route to Vietnam; Bill **Boozer** in G1 also on the way to Vietnam; Ron **Tumlin** and J.J. **Heigl** with the 1st Bde; Jim **Kimsey** had Hq Co., 3d Bde, and is now leaving for VN; Don **Williamson** has "C," 1/505 and has received orders for VN also. Art **Bondshu**, Bernie **Martin**, Joe **Porter**, and Roger **Brown** were here with Divarty. Mike **Crabtree** was here and has left for Vietnam. I left my aide's job about 3 months ago and am now CO of "A," 1/325 Inf.

Roy and Harriet **Wallace** are at Fort Totten, N.Y., where Roy is aide to the deputy commander, 1st Region ARADCOM. He is on orders to Vietnam and will arrive there on 15 Nov. Tom **Faley** finished an aide's tour with Gen. Clapsaddle by marrying the General's daughter, Susan. J. **Kieffer** is in Germany, still single, and has switched to the Intelligence Corps.

Tom **Simcox** sent so much info from Hawaii, I almost sent it in as this month's article. '62 had a reunion there on the 5th of June, and the following poop was forthcoming.

John and Penny **Hickey** have a 3-month-old daughter, Rosemary. John is assigned to 1/8 Arty. Bob and Gail **Ord** are still with the 2/35 Inf. Traci Jane Ord is now 2 years old. Terry, Carol, and Brian Scott (2) **Murphy** are with 3/13 Arty where Terry is an XO. John and Jan **Ferguson** are expecting their first in September. Fergie is assigned as a Btry XO with 2/9 Arty.

John **Walker** is commandant of the Div NCO Academy and is departing Schofield for Vietnam via the MATA course in October. John was Tdy to VN on Shotgun in the spring of 64. Bill, Barbara, Billy (2), and Terri (5 mos.) **Hoos** are with the 1/5 Mech. Bill coached the 3d Bde basketball team to 2d place in the Div and is S3 Air. Tom and Jean **McGarry** are with 3/4 Cav where Tom is XO of "C" Trp. Rusty **Scheewe** is back with the 1/35 Inf as XO of "A" Co. after a stint as aide to USARHAW CG, Maj. Gen. Carl Darnell. Rusty is still single.

Bill, Karen, and Don (2) **White** are with Hq Co., 2d Bde, where Bill is XO. He recently returned from a tour in Vietnam with the division's Shotgun program. Mike, Pat, and Mike Jr. (13 mos.) **McDonnell** are in the 2/35 Inf. Mike is an XO and a veteran on the Shotgun tour. Jim, Linda, and Kevin (19 mos.) **Strohmeyer** are with the 1/35 Inf. Jim is S1 and is looking forward to Med school next summer. Linda is expecting in December.

Bill, Kris, Bill III (14 mos.), and Mike (2 mos.) **Ross** are living on the North Shore. Bill went to VN on Shotgun and is now with 2/21 Arty. He leaves in November for jump school, then Sill. Larry, Jan, and Kathy (13 mos.) **Amon** are with the 2/14 Inf where Larry is XO of B Co. Bob, Cooky, and Lisa Michele (6½ mos.) **Lilley** are with the 125th Sig Bn. Bill, Liz, and John W. (3 mos.) **Christopher** are with the 65th Engr Bn where Bill is a company commander. Skip, Rat, Lori (2), and Doug (1) **Campbell** are also with the 65th. Skip was CO of Hq Co. for a year and is now Bn S2. Walt **Menning** is CO of Hq Co., 65th Engr Bn and resides in a country estate on the North Shore with Bob **Carroll** during the week and shares a town house with Bob in Waikiki on the weekends. Walt was at Bien Hoa on Shotgun in the winter of 63. Bob Carroll is the Asst S4 of the 2/14 Inf.

Carl, Evelyn, and Kathy (4 mos.) **Morin** are with Divarty; Carl is the head football coach of the Cannoneers this season. Bill, Millie, and Kurt (4 mos.) **Harrison** are doing fine. Harry is aide to Brig. Gen. Walker, ADCM, and was at Pleiku on Shotgun. Dick, Barb, Ricky (20 mos.), and Debbie (5 mos.) **Barry** are with the 1/14 Inf where Dick is S3 Air. Todd and Marty **Bergman** are living in Honolulu. Todd is S2 of 7/11 Arty. Bob, Sue, and Laura **Garrett** recently arrived from Bragg; Bob is now with the 1/27 Inf.

Charlie, Ann, and Shawn (11 mos.) **Murray** moved up to 3d Bde Hq from the 2/35 Inf. Charlie has been the Bde Asst S4. He is leaving for Vietnam via Shotgun in September. Al, Jan, and Julia (2) **Robb** are with the 3/13 Arty and are expecting an addition in September. David, Jean, David Scott (2), and Robert Alan (6 mos.) **Riggs** are with the 69th Armor Bn.

Mack and Eloise **Howard** are with the 2/27th Inf where Mack is a company commander. Mack was a Shotgun platoon leader at Qui Nhon last summer. Eloise was the first runner-up for Miss Hawaii in 1964 and is a former "*Pointer* Pic." Jim, Lucy, and

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Mike (21 mos.) **McDonough** are with the 2/35th Inf. When Jim is not raising and selling German shepherds with Mike **McDonnell,** he is XO of C Co. Jim was at Ton Sa Nhut in the spring of 64 on Shotgun. Jim, Lynn, and Caroline (2 weeks) **Andress** are with the 1/5 Mech where Jim is CO of C Co.

Ralph, Noel, Christy (2), and Kathy (11 mos.) **Burr** are with the 1/35 Inf where Ralph is XO of Hq Co. Noel is expecting twins in October. Ralph recently returned from a 90-day stint with the ACTIV program in Vietnam testing swamp buggies in the Delta.

Trev and Linda **Dupuy** are in Thailand where Trev is studying the Thai language while Linda teaches English to the Thais. Dan **Stephenson** recently returned from a tour in that neck of the woods and is now en route to the advanced course at Sill. Jack and Beverley **Rucker** are the proud parents of a daughter, Lee Ann, 3 mos. Jack has been on Shotgun and is with the S4, 3/13 Arty. Rich and Marti **Carlson** are with the 7/11 Arty where Rich is S1.

Bill, Ann, Dorothy Ann (13 mos.), and Bill Jr. (2 mos.) **Gavan** are with the 2/27 Inf. Bill is CO of C Co. and just back from Pleiku and Shotgun. Stan and Sharen **Shutes** are en route to Bragg and the MATA course prior to Stan's leaving for VN. Stan was at Qui Nhon on Shotgun. Dick, Susan, Todd (2½), and Keith (1) **Storat** are with USARHAW where Dick is aide to Maj. Gen. Darnell. Bud **Baughman** is still a bachelor and has been working in the division G3 shop for a year. Al **Tindale** transferred to AIS and is living in Waikiki. Ralph, Marylynn, and Tommy (2) **Pryor** are with Hq 3d Bde. Ralph and Fred **Sheaffer** just got back from a 4-month tour in VN working with infra-red equipment. Ralph was awarded the Silver Star for his actions on one operation.

Charlie, Helen, Charles Joseph (2½), and James Anthony (6 mos.) **Bernitt** have transferred to Ordnance. Gene, Alice, and Scott (9 mos.) **Baxter** are with the 1/8 Arty as XO, C Btry. Jerry **Garwick** and his wife were stationed at Camp Smith with the Marines before Jerry left for Vietnam.

Tom ran into Bill and Carol **Evans,** Neil and Joanne **Nydegger,** and Kevin **Renaghan** and his wife not too long ago. Bill, Neil, and Kevin were all on leave from Vietnam. E.K. **Whiting** has been in and out flying C-135's from the West Coast. Chris **Stanat** just arrived from Camp Pendleton on a PCS. Bob **Krause** and P.Y. **Browning** have left Hawaii and are now PCS to VN. Barry **Thomas** passed through in July on his way over.

Jim and Jeanne **McQuillen** are with the 2/35 Inf. They were married last September in Redwood City, Calif., and are expecting an addition soon. Rich **Foss** is a company commander with the 1/27 Inf and was at Pleiku when it was clobbered. Lou and Linda **Brown** are with 7/11 Arty. Lou was aide to Brig. Gen. Forsythe, the former ADC/S of the division.

Rich, Peggy, and Lisa (2) **Cacioppe** are with Hq, 1st Bde. Rich has been on Shotgun. Wins **Ward** has also been on Shotgun and is currently a company commander with the 69th Armor Bn. He is also a new father. Steve and Sara **West** transferred to the 65th Engr Bn where Steve is XO of C Co. Fred **Sheaffer** is XO of C Co., 1/35 Inf and still a bachelor. As for Tom **Simcox,** he has had his Shotgun tour at Pleiku and has been working as 3d Bde training officer and LO for a year. Now he is Asst S1 at Bde.

Roger **Lee** wrote from Carson, Colo. He finished a course in Vietnamese at Monterey and is in VN by now. His wife, Ginny, will stay in Colorado Springs while he is gone. John **DeVore** is an aide. Roy **Cole** has switched from Inf to Armor.

Roger ran into many classmates in language school. Phil **Browning,** Bob **Krause,** Glen **Blumhardt,** John **Bode,** Dick **Chegar,** Harry **Hagerty,** Dick **Kent,** Vince **Murphy,** Harry **Nieuwboer,** and Stew **Sherard** were all taking Vietnamese and should all be in Vietnam by now.

Scotty **McGurk** is at Fort Ord, Calif. Don **Perdew** was taking Czech and is en route to the 10th SFG in Germany. Don got married in June. Howie **Prince** is leaving soon for the U. of Bonn. Paul **Schott,** Phil **Costain,** and Paul **Wertz** are in VN and are due back in September.

Charlie and Linda **Brown** are in France. Barry **Thomas** was also in Roger's VN class and is on his way. Marsh **Carter** is still at Lejeune and will leave for a 5-month trip to the Mediterranean in October.

From Germany comes word of Tracey Joan **Kilmartin's** arrival on 26 June. Tom and Gail are in Kaiserslautern. George **Kirschenbauer** is married and is aide to the V Corps commander in Germany.

Steve **Sperman** writes from Nuremberg where he and Marion are with the 4/35 Armor. Steve is a company commander. Derek **Sprouse** is with the 357th Arty Det at Inneringen. Sammy **Steele** has a HAWK Btry now. Tony **Lawson** has a boy, Kurt, a girl, Heidi, and a company at Kirchgoens. Roy **Alcala** is with the 2d AC at Nuremberg and will be married soon. Cal **Johnson** is at Nuremberg with an Engr Co. J.J. **Kirby** has left for the advanced course at Fort Knox.

Chuck **Anderson** just left Bragg for Sill and the advanced course before going to VN.

Ray **LoPresto,** Judy, and son Victor (13 mos.) are at Laredo AFB where Ray is instructing in the pilot training program. Ray saw Gene **Ramella** at Williams AFB where Gene was in flight school. Rog **Caldwell** is at LA working with a team helping to modify the AGENA space vehicle as part of the Gemini project. Lee **Taylor** is at Mather AFB, Calif., and just completed the AF survival and special training course at Stead AFB, Nev. Don **Kauer** is with SAC at Westover AFB, Mass., where he is a co-pilot on the B-52.

From Vietnam: Mike **Moore** received a Bronze Star for service in VN. Mike is now an instructor at Fort Knox. Jim **Gleason** was wounded but is doing OK. Will **Cannon** is aide to Brig. Gen. Simler, director of Ops for the 2d Air Div at Tan Son Nhut Airfield.

Since the last article we have had 5 more members of '62 add their names to the Long Gray Line in service to their country: Ken **Dean,** Ron **Zinn,** Doug **Wauchope,** Bob **Fuellhart,** and Frank **Reasoner.** The sympathy and condolences of the entire Class go to their families. The Marines have named a training camp in VN after Frank.

Jack **Evans** is with the Chi Lang National Training Center after having served a hitch as Asst Bn advisor with the 33d Regt, 21st Inf Div. Jack left just as George **Handy** was coming into the Regt. George is married now. Jack has run into Ralph **Burr,** John **Dilley,** Bob **Ricks,** Mike **Casp,** Bill **Cross,** Don **Bergeron,** and Sam **Wasaff.** Jack seems to miss the 82d, or is it the 82d "O" club?

Speaking of John **Dilley,** he also wrote from VN. John and Eileen had a son last April named John D. III. John and Bill **Evans** are in Bien Hoa. Bill is Asst Bn advisor to an Arty Bn. George **Telenko** is in Saigon with the Capitol Military District.

Wayne **Downing** writes from the 173d where he is aide to the CG there. Wayne saw Mike **Bartelme** and Pat **Canary** with the VN Abn Bde. Mike now has a pair of Bronze Stars. Charley **Shaw** has finished a tour with a Ranger Bn and is now at the Van Kiep training center. Bill **Kinard** was also with a Ranger Bn. Tom **Herre** is getting ready to depart VN. In the 173d are Eric **Johnson** and Dan **Buttolph** with a Hvy Mtr Plt. Jerry **Lape** is XO of D Co., 16th Armor. Bob **Coyne** is in 3/319 Arty. Dick **Chegar** was in the 173d and is now an advisor. Wayne and Linda had their 2d girl, Laura, in April. Jerry Lape's family has increased by a daughter also. The Coynes have a son and are expecting again soon.

Moose **Malley** was awarded a Silver Star in July. Dave **Treadwell** also picked up a Silver Star. Fred **Doten** is with the 2d Bn, 7th Regt, 5th Div, III Corps at Ben Cat. Diane and the 2 girls are living in Winslow, Ark. Fred sends the following info. Bill **Cauthen,** Waide **Rishel,** Len **Taylor,** and Al **Scarsella** are in Saigon. Fred has bumped into quite a number of classmates. Some who have not been mentioned before are: Bill **Hughes,** Chuck **Chandler,** Jerry **Comello,** and Kraig **Hansen.** That's about all from Vietnam.

Ron **Borrello** is at Penn State with wife, Kitty, and son, Drew; he is soon to receive his M.S. in civil engineering and will then be off to Germany. Hap, Sue, and Kim **Boyd** are in the Canal Zone. Bill **Miller** has become a father for the 2d time—a girl.

At Bragg now are the P.O. **Kellys** with the 82d Avn Bn. John and Sally **Dargle** are with the J.F.K. Center for Special Warfare where John is aide to the CG.

Bill **Daugherty** is aide to Gen. Shea of the 1st Cav (now the 2d Div) in Korea and sends word that he will be going to Knox this fall. John **Jones** was an aide in Korea also. Bill **Dworsak** is with Btry B, 4th Bn, 76th Arty. Pete **Oldfield** has Co. A, 13th Sig Bn. Tom **Mennie** is in the Transportation Corps. John **Porter** and Larry **Mengel** are in Seoul. Rodney **Schmidt** is the father of twins. The above mentioned plus Bob **Goode,** Jim **Harrington,** and Roy **Kobayashi** got together in Seoul for the Founders Day dinner.

From Germany comes word that Ernie and Pat **Webb** have a son, Michael David, born in July.

Several classmates have asked about the possibility of establishing a scholarship fund for the children of deceased members of our Class. Anyone with strong opinions or suggestions drop me a line, and I will contact George **Kirschenbauer** and Ernie **Webb** to see what can be done. It would be a big project and would take the cooperation of the entire Class to be successful.

I hope to be out of the D.R. in October and look forward to seeing any classmates passing through Bragg.

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Time for another look in the mail bag; not many letters, but I'll pass on what I have received this summer.

Ray **Ong** writes that he is taking the Engineer OBC in the Philippine army. Frank **Cardile** and Jon **Allen** joined Ray and Ester at Clark AFB for a small reunion on 14 Aug. Frank "Poncho" **Kelly** is enjoying life as a civilian-type bachelor in Nicaragua. He is working as secretary to the chief of the army in Managua, Nicaragua.

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Ted and Roxanne **Wildrick** are in Munich where Ted is assigned to 3d Bn, 19th Inf. They became the proud parents of a son, Edward S., on 27 July 65. Suzie **Coulson** writes that Bob is with the 127th Sig Bn at Camp Casey, Korea. She is at home with her mom in N. J. and would like to hear from old friends.

Bill **Nugent** (ex-'63) graduated from Fordham on 9 June 65. He received a B.A. in history and grabbed honors and a Phi Beta Kappa key along the way. Bill will go to Pitt in September to get his Master's in international affairs.

Doug and Kris **Williams** have moved from Campbell to flight school in Texas. Doug expects VN after school. Bob **Odland** is enjoying bachelor life with the Signal Corps in Thailand. Mike **Barry** is with Special Forces in Vietnam. Joe **Jaworowski** went to language school in DC and is now on a Special Forces assignment in Panama. Homer **Holland** is at M.I.T. working on advanced degrees in "juice."

Gordy **Arbogast** has been CO of a Signal company in the Dominican Republic but should be back at Bragg by now. Denny **Prutow** is at Hood on a Signal assignment. Jim **Jones** and Mike **Soth** are in Vietnam. Dee **Voss** and Tim **Sanchez** returned from Korea earlier this summer and report that it's a fine place for bachelors.

Denny **Leach** and Bill **Cooke** are in Vietnam. I ran into Bill here at Vinh Long; he is a sub-sector advisor in IV Corps. Mike and Kay **Keaveney** are still at Fort Lewis. Mike is CO of a 105mm battery, and Kay is teaching school.

Bob and Diane **Merrill** are at Rucker while Bob completes flight school. Mike **Allen** has an aide job in Greece. Ralph and Linda **Walker,** still in Germany, had their 2d baby girl in May. Army and Ada **Lujan,** also in Germany, became parents last year. Kip **Jenison** was married at Carson in January and left for Vietnam in February.

Mike **Summers,** Al **Jones,** and Doug **Williams** are all in flight school at Rucker. Louie **Kunzig** is now in DC and was married on 19 June. Pat **Stevens** and Ed **Tezak** are at U.C.L.A. to study astrodynamics. George **Lippemeier** is flying F-4's for the Air Force. Curry **Vaughan** is on a leave of absence to study at the Columbia Seminary in Atlanta. Pat **Tate** is at U. of Illinois in CE. Jim **Ruth** is at Princeton in a double Master's program. Sam **Thompson** is at Pleiku, Vietnam, after a year in Thailand. Bob **Handcox** married Marilyn Byron on 17 June in Hamilton, Bermuda. Carol and Charlie **Nahlik** announced the birth of twin girls, Sandra and Susan, on 31 July in Washington, D.C.

Before I close this letter, it is my sad duty to announce the death of Jack O. **Eitel.** Jack was killed in action in Vietnam on 8 July 1965. Our deepest sympathies are extended to his wife and family.

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Note: These articles tend to be disgustingly similar. Not so this time . . . this particular article came tripping in from my spacious patio all written as a play. So I kept it that way.

ACT I

(*The stage is empty. Well upstage . . . to the rear . . . is a small American flag. Beside it is a crushed helmet and a half-finished letter. Enter* CLOWN *laughing and singing. He trips over a stack of muddy rifles; does double-take. He turns to audience, giggling.*)

CLOWN

Now look at those rifles! Tch-tch. Bob **Johnson** wrote a nice note just prior to leaving for Vietnam where many are now sojourning. Jan **Hughey** will accompany him. They left from Campbell, where Al **Williams** and his wife settled. Larry and Louise **Brewer** have been biting their nails awaiting an opportunity for him to attend flight school. K. B. **Kindleberger** spent the summer at West Point working with the fellows at Camp Buckner. All have found Infantry life quite time-consuming; hence, all these rifles out here as props. And there you have your continuity so why am I standing here yapping . . .?

(*Exit* CLOWN *as* GERMAN YODELER *enters yodeling.* So what did you expect? It's about these stupid stage directions for stupid actors . . .)

YODELER

Ooodle-oh-tee-oodle-quack . harumph . . . Over in Munich there is much news. John and Gae **Ward** wrote an informative note which I peeked at, you know. John and classmate Tom **Kullman** (so try saying "John and Tom Kullman" and see vat you get already) share assignments with a rocket unit in Bayern. Nearby in Augsburg are Frank **Mashburn** and Tom and Ella **Ballagh.** Also in Munich are the **Wikans, Bujalskis,** and Stan **McLaughlin.** Bob and Peggy **Bolen** had a daughter, Laura Ann, in Bad Kreuznach. John also mentioned running into Steve **Induni** near Nuremberg; Bob **Cary** and Steve **Weisel** near Augsburg; and Dave **Baratto** and Bill **Annan** at the Grafenwoehr bar. Vic **Kongsuvan** wrote John and Gae recently from somewhere generally southeast of Tibet. Vic reported Jack **Richards** was engineering near Bangkok and had grown a mustache. Carl **Winter** and his wife live near John and Gae and share a superlative view of the Alps . . yoodle-too-too-druz . . . And now for a rousing chorus of . . .

(*The stage bursts into song as a choir enters. Exit peeved* YODELER.)

CHOIR

(*Singing off key.*) A child, a child . . . Bill **Van Buskirk** and his wife had a son in May; what do you say, what do you say . . .

(*A hook reaches out, snares* CHORUS, *and yanks them offstage. Enter* HOBO *who looks at audience for a moment before speaking.*)

HOBO

You ain't gonna believe this. (*Pauses.*) You really ain't. (*Pauses.*) This guy stops me the other day, and asks, if I'm passing this way . . . which I am . . . would I pass on some . . . he called it "poop." (*Pauses; eyes audience speculatively.*) Now, I ain't one for prissy language or what, but some words I just don't . . . in perlite company, at least . . . well, anyway . . . Jay and Ruth Ann **Bennett** had a girl, Kimberly Jay. Bill and Deanna **Guthrie** had a son, Michael John, in Bamberg, Germany. Jack and Judy **Grubbs** had a little girl, Kelly Ann, in Okinawa. Since his arrival in Frankfurt this guy claimed to have seen Lee **Grasfeder** and Herb **Zimmerman** from Hanau, John **Murray** and J.P. **Downey** from Gelenhausen, and Bill Guthrie from Bamberg. This guy . . . his name is Jay, by the way, is with the Engineers, or so he says . . . never trust nobody, says I . . . as is Denis **Galloway** . . . (HOBO *pauses*) . . . so what, I says? Any guy what uses words like . . . well, you know . . . I mean . . .

(*A racing car screeches in, knocks* HOBO *offstage, and stops. Out of it jumps* Joe **SEEBER.** *He whips off his goggles and smiles gallantly.*)

SEEBER

Things are great in Hawaii. I mean great! Va-va-voom! The number of young ladies on the scene is enough to lighten any man's differential. Unfortunately many of our classmates are unable to enjoy the fun because they've succumbed to the illusive delights of matrimony. Latest to lose his head and get married is poor old Gordie **Treweek.** He married a lovely gal, Sally Schneller, from Allentown, Pa. Ed **Brinkman** took another way out and volunteered for Vietnam. He's there with the 25th Div. I saw Ian **Carter** at the McGuire AFB passenger terminal. He had been at Bliss and was en route to rejoin his wife in Heidelberg. Bruce **Foster** sent a stone tablet from the hills of Korea where he is engineering. Tony **Trifiletti,** John **Duffy,** and Tom **Faulds** all entered wedlock this past summer, and all are in Hawaii now. Gary **LaVoy** is there too, with his monstrous car. Dave **Binney** and Jim **Daly** are keeping the Arty on target, so to speak . . . har har (*Pause. No laughter.* SEEBER *clears throat.*) Well, I'm a racer, not a comedian. George **Jacunski** and Johnny **Lang** are still living it up as bachelors. George's lovely sister spent some time with him during the summer. An ex-classmate from the old A-2 Co. is there in the BOQ with a lot of the guys . . . Ed **Corcoran.** Bill and Carol **Seely** are expecting shortly. Tom **Butler** enjoyed most of the fun here with us . . . we call it "Coed Season" for the press releases. Well, got to go get gassed . . . that is, get some gas . . .

(SEEBER *smiles limply, shrugs shoulders, roars off. Enter Air Force* PIO MAN *dripping press releases and panting.*)

PIO MAN

Flash! John and Gracy **Raymond** are going to Dover AFB, Del. Johnny graduated with honors from navigator school and will fly with MATS. Ben and Virginia **Huneycutt** go to Mather AFB, Calif. Ben graduated from pilot training. Frank and Billie Jean **Watson** went to Connally AFB, Tex., where he entered navigator training last August.

(*Exit* PANTING *man dripping press releases and . . . Exit* PRESS RELEASES *man dripping* PIO *and . . . anyway, enter young* Lt. **DEWS** *in a lather.*)

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DEWS

Listen, Cliff and Carolyn **Williams**, I'm really sorry for not mentioning your little son as a contender for the class cup in the last issue . . . I really am. I apologize. (*He pauses.*) Please forgive me? (*Sickly smile. Stony silence.*) Please? (*Stony silence.*) I mean . . .

(*Exit* DEWS *crying and mouthing to himself; his shoulders are bowed, his B-robe ties trail limply in the dust. The sun sets upstage. Taps is heard in the distance.* Think that's too much, C.B.? *Enter* Cliff **WILLIAMS** *in hot pursuit.*)

Where'd he go? Where'd he go? (*Sees audience.*) Oh! Dave and Karen **Perkins** are expecting soon. I'd tell you more. but I'm hunting a louse . . .

(*Raises fly-swatter and rushes off.* Bill **SIMONIS** *peeks around teaser, smiles shyly, and enters.*)

SIMONIS

Hello. I've been in Coventry, R.I., where I commanded an Arty Btry in July. I married Jane Horton of Rye, N.Y. Howie **Schue** was an usher. Jane's sister, Cathy, married Ron **Cross** at Eastertime, and they're at Fort Carson. Howie Schue married Barbara Beck in July. In their wedding party were: Ron **Smith**, Bill **Cesarski**, Mont **Hubbard**, and myself. Pete **Gleszer** is in Germany ski-patrolling. Dick **Heydt** and Dud **Revie** are both at Turner AFB, Ga., with BIRDIE (air defense) outfits . . . that's what I'm with, too. Ron **Odom** is in Korea; Art **Kierstead** is married and at a missile site in Massachusetts. Bill **Hoover** is at Carson. That's all, I guess. (*Pause.*) I really don't care for public speaking, you know. (*Pause. Smile.*)

(*Exit. Enter* YODELER *yodeling.*)

YODELER

That verdammt choir gone? Ach! Crazy Amerikaners! All the Class of '64 marrieds in Baumholder have moved off the economy to the post, and this crazy American lady asked me to pass on a letter. She wanted me to die on this little piece of paper? . . . Anyhoo hoo-dle hoo-del-yo-del-hooo . . . (*Delighted smile.*) Anyhoooooo . . . Pat and Steve **Overton** were expecting in September or October. Gathered for a class reunion of sorts at the 49th Annual International 4-Day Long-Distance Marches were: Jim **Adams**, Gary **Cecchine**, Jay **Cope**, Cris **Crissman**, Johnny **Graham**, Stan **McLaughlin**, and Chris **Shore**. Ooops! I see an Alp!

(*Exit* YODELER *yodeling. Enter* Jim **BIGELOW** *loping along.*)

BIGELOW

Hiya, kids, hiya! Just a few comments from Fort Lewis. I'm getting married in October to Jeanne Sullivan . . . solid Italian stock . . . Mel **Case** and Bendan **Quann** are in the 1st of the 12th with me. Mel's wife is expecting. Al **Palmer** and Chris **Stone** are in the 2d of the 12th next door. **Hatfield** is married, and Don **Koterwas** expects to be soon. Pete **Drahn** gets his B-52 pilot wings soon. I hear Ray **Jones** is in the 12th of the "Never down the street and floating rapidly off towards Coors Rocky Mountain Brewery." Gotta go, kids . . . see ya . . . see ya . . .

(*Exit* BIGELOW *bungling; enter* NEWS COMMENTATOR.)

NEWS COMMENTATOR

The new Class of '64 West Point post office box is No. 15. In Schweinfurt, Germany, are: Ted **Morgan** and his wife, Tom and Liz **Erdmann**, Barry and Brigit **Hartman**, Stan **Fracker**, Dave **Kirkpatrick**, Rog **Sornson**, and Frank and Betty Ann **Lambert**. Now, on the weather front . . .

(*Fade* NEWS COMMENTATOR; *enter battalion of MP's led by* Johnny **LANG**.)

LANG

Group, halt! Unshoulder, cudgels! Rest! (*Faces audience; imitates surly grin.*) Well, youse guys, here I is . . . '64's first branch transfer. I'm an MP now. Dat's right . . . a cop. I was going deaf around de Artillery which I was in, so de docs advised me to get out . . . and I made de logical choice. I even learned how to talk good like dem TV cops. (*He pauses; looks uncertain.*) Or maybe it was de bad guys what talked like this? (*Scratches head, smiles.*) Well, I haven't seen TV in a long time. Who the hell needs it out here in sunny Hawaii anyway? (*Knowing smile.*) Tom **Faulds** married Gloria Johnson out here; Dave **Binney's** coaching the Divarty football team; and Tom and I will be taking MP Shotgun units to Vietnam. See you! Tenshut! Scramble, youse guys!

(*MP's dash off in all directions, as does* LANG. *Enter gravely* Sig **WEINER** *in judge's robes, carrying heavy legal text.*)

WEINER

Last September the Air Force entered me in the U. of Texas Law School, which Linda and I considered to be remarkably good fortune. I'll be here 3 years, so any classmates in the area be sure to drop in. Right before entering U.T. I was at Travis AFB, Calif., with: Chris and Susie **Kite Powell**, Bob and Bobby **Sandman**, and George **Egner** and Ben **Marino** and their wives. And now, if you'll excuse me, there's some young gentleman waiting outside to be tried for excessive speed; I'm handling the case. I intend to throw the book at him! (*He walks stage right.*) What's that name again? . . . **Seeber**? . . .

(*Exit* WEINER; *enter* HERALD *in scarlet livery.*)

HERALD

New West Point post office box for the Class of '64 . . . it is changed from number 54 to number 15. Henceforth, address all mail to **Dews**, P. O. Box 15. Hal **Hatfield** married Kathleen Kopec in South Bend last July.

(*Exit* HERALD, *enter* **DEWS** *looking nervously behind him.*)

DEWS

A bit of serious news for a moment. Both Al **Carver** and Bob **North** suffered serious accidents in vehicles during the summer. Both of their conditions are described as much improved according to the news I have received. I tripped over Jon **Little** at Offutt AFB, Nebr . . . in the bar, of course . . . and learned that he's a pilot with MATS at Hill AFB, Utah. Letters from Vietnam have arrived at my desk in proliferation, many duplicating information in others. Bill **Reynolds** wrote that he is at Qui Nhon with the 84th Engr Bn. There with him are . . . or were . . . Bill **Mayhew** and Steve **Draper**. Mike **Goff** was at Tung Taw; Ted **Togashi** is with the 41st Signal; Sam **Burney** is at Cam Rahn Bay. The stationery has all been very impressive.

(*Exit* DEWS *mumbling to himself; enter* George **HILLARD** *in combat regalia.*)

HILLARD

Last summer in the Caribbean many of us saw sand, mosquitoes, and combat. With or near me on the way to, or coming from Santo Domingo were: George **Domas**, Tom **Kerns**, Wayne **Wheeler**, Bill **Murdy**, Seavy **Bain**, Gary **Page**, Jeff **Warner**, Jeff **Kleb**, Barry **McCaffrey**, Kevin **Kelley**, George **Fisher**, Jim **Harvey**, Jut **Hughes**, and Jim **Gantsoudes**. All of us have returned and have gone elsewhere since, of course.

(HILLARD *is interrupted by* HERALD *who enters crying:*)

HERALD

Joe **Missal** married Anita Wiggs in Philadelphia . . . at the Naval Base, if you please . . . in July. Jim **Hegglund** married Arline Robertson at Fort Lewis, Wash., in August.

(HILLARD *begins to say something to* HERALD *when* DRAGON *enters, spewing molten lava and fire.* HILLARD *retreats; the* HERALD *runs like hell.*)

DRAGON

RARHHHHH! Hot news from the Far East. In Vietnam, Bob **Walters** reported the Class of '63 and the Class of '64 arrived simultaneously. Jack **Grubbs** is there; Judy is in Okinawa with their daughter, Kelly Ann. Jim **Koster**, Larry **Bryan**, and Tony **Hartle** left their wives at home. At Tung Vau with the 1st of the 503d Inf were Bob **Gregson**, Clair **Thurston**, and Dave **Ugland**. Bud **Henry** wrote a long letter from the USNS *Eltinge* en route to Vietnam. With or attached to the task force aboard were: Pat **Graves**, Norm **Grunstad**, John **Howard**, Ken **Eklund**, Norm **Roberts**, Bud Henry, George **Vondruska** (who was issued a half-bunk to conserve space), John **Sam** (issued the other half), Ed **Schillo** (who kicked them both out and fashioned himself a double bunk), Jim **Schoonover**, Seth **Hudgins** (he and his wife, Joy, had a boy, Seth III), Joe **Mastriani**, and Frank **Giordano**. Still at Campbell were: Mike and Chrissy **Cook**, John **Farnsworth**, John **Otjen**, Tom **Curran**, Shifty **Carson**, Dan **Klunk**, Al **Hottell**, Warren and Julie **Normyle**, Art and Mary Louise **Parker**, Carl **Dye**, Carl **Magnell**, Bill **Black**, Tom and Sue **Chapman**, Jim and Ann **Muir**, Bill **Robertson**, Jim **Popp**, Larry and Louise **Brewer**, and Larry **Bramlette** and his wife. Art and Karen **West** went to Benning. The ship in which Bob crossed the "great water" was a gal-

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lant 2-mast-er first crafted in 1816 and tied in Boston Harbor for 150 years as a channel marker. It was pressed into service to carry the Abn troops over because . . . as rumor has it . . . the Navy learned how many West Pointers were aboard.

(*Exit* DRAGON *roaring and spewing. A swarm of mosquitoes precedes* Mike **MILLER** *to the front of the stage. He speaks from beneath a heavy coating of mud.*)

MILLER

Here I am, the only member of the Class in Panama. I'm with a missile unit near the Canal and enjoying my bachelor days, although they may be numbered, since I met a lovely young lady who matriculated stateside.

(*From offstage the opening bars of Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" announce the entrance of* Tony **HARTLE.** MILLER *stands upstage and watches.*)

HARTLE

(*He comes to foreground, looks sternly at the audience.*) Life in Vietnam is not at all surprising . . . it's just what you might, and I did, expect. Hot, extremely humid and rainy, and distinctly hazardous. I've seen most of the individuals mentioned earlier in this play over here. I received the Army's most unpopular ribbon recently. Chances are good I'll receive another. I see nothing funny about the situation, so I don't believe I'll make any jokes. Ron Zinn '62 was killed 7 July by VC machine-gun fire. Everyone is doing his job the best he can under the prevailing circumstances.

(*Enter* **DEWS** *once again.*)

DEWS

Dick and Dixie **Chilcoat** are expecting. Jeff **Kleb** wrote that Kevin **Kelley** told him that Jut **Hughes** and George **Domas** received the Bronze Star. This is unsubstantiated. Finally, the class cup has been bought. The earliest date so far is 16 Feb 65. Any earlier sons? If not, then that will be the winning date. Thank you, fellows. (*Exit* HARTLE *and* MILLER.) Our new P.O. box at West Point is No. 15. If you want someone's address, write directly to the Secy of the Association of Graduates for it, not to me. Jim **Burnham** and I are still at Beale AFB, Calif., working in Intelligence. As soon as they jack our IQ's up to 100 they'll send us to flight school. See you in 3 months.

(*Exit* DEWS, *enter ancient Vietnamese woman. She squats center stage, begins to eat from a small bowl of rice. Offstage the stacatto sound of gunfire. Two men cross the stage carrying an American on a stretcher. They move slowly, painfully. Enter stage right, a stylish young woman in cocktail attire holding aloft a cigarette and sipping a martini.* Dick **PETERSON** *follows her, dressed in a business suit and nervously fingering a plain cola. The girl speaks as the lights dim.*)

STYLISH YOUNG WOMAN OF THE NUCLEAR AGE

Now, tell me, really. Why do you want to go to Vietnam? I just can't understand it. Such a silly business, really . . .

(*She daintily sips her drink. The ancient Vietnamese woman looks expressionlessly at the stylish young woman.* PETERSON *nervously fingers his soft drink. Curtain.*)

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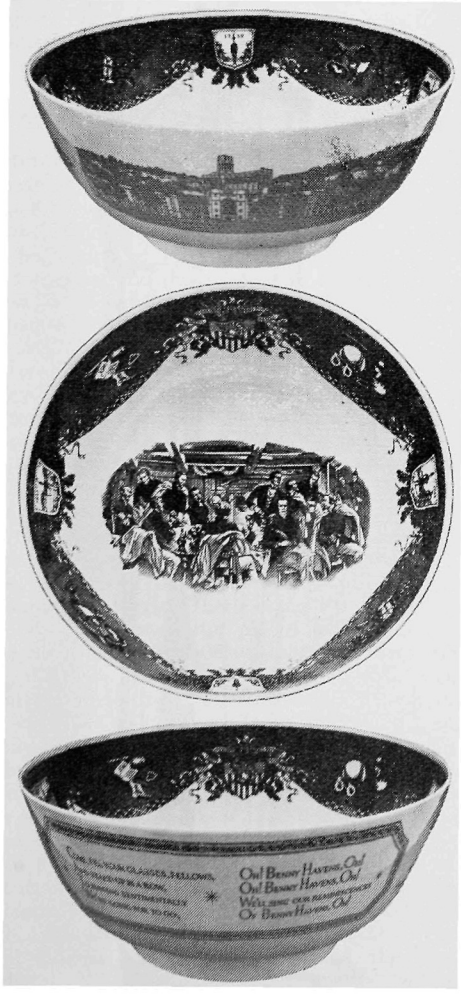

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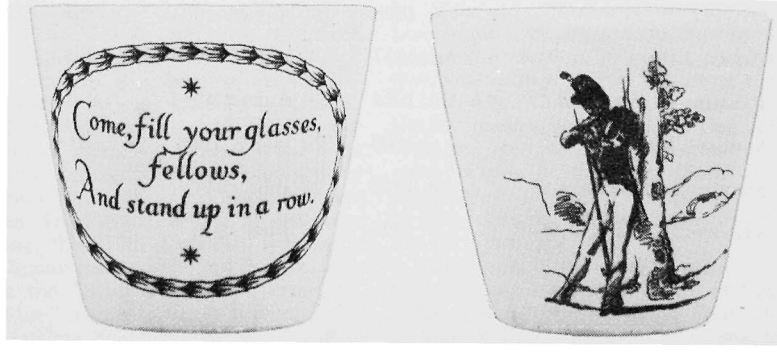

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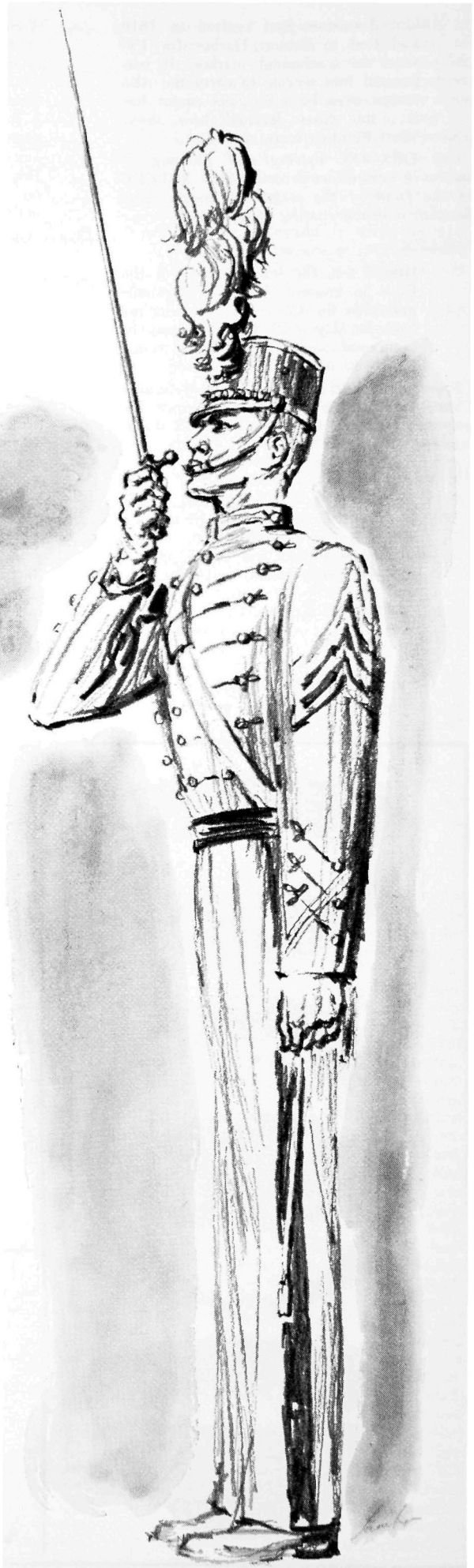
Be Thou At Peace

We, sons of today, we salute you—You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.



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Curtis William Otwell

NO. 3823 CLASS OF 1898

Died 11 August 1964 at Palo Alto, California, aged 88 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

COLONEL OTWELL WAS BORN in New Madison, Darke County, Ohio, on 1 November 1875. His father, grandfather, and uncle had all served as surgeons with the Ohio Volunteers during the Civil War.

Curtis Otwell lived in Ohio until he was eleven, and then moved to Kansas, his home at the time of his appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point. His Class was graduated early—26 April 1898, the day war was declared with Spain—the first time that that had happened since Civil War days.

That same year he served with the Shafter expedition in Cuba and participated in the Battle of El Caney and in the siege of Santiago. For gallantry in action in these engagements he was awarded the Silver Star Citation.

After the close of the Cuban Campaign, he returned to the United States and served at various posts, including Fort Wayne, Michigan; Fort Brady, Michigan; Fort Snelling, Minnesota; Fort Crook, Nebraska; Plattsburgh Barracks, New York; and Columbus Barracks, Ohio. In 1900 he was sent to Alaska where he assisted in the construction of the new post of Fort Liscum on Valdez Bay.

While stationed at Fort Liscum he was sent on reconnaissance of what was then referred to as the "All-American Road to the Klondike." It was at this same time that he submitted his report on the deplorable conditions of the Eskimos on Kodiak Island, a report which resulted in their being saved from starvation during the winter of 1900-1901.

Returning to the mainland, he served successively at Vancouver Barracks, Fort Walla Walla Remount Station, and the Cavalry post at Boise Barracks, Idaho.

In the spring of 1901 Otwell was sent to the Philippines and there served in the latter part of the Tinio campaign, Ilocos Sur, and in Lipanto. Upon the massacre of "C" Company, 9th Infantry, on the Island of Samar, he was sent to that island with station at Borongan. General Guevana, the Insurrecto, was terrorizing the island at the time. After Guevana's surrender, the then-Lieutenant Otwell transferred to the Corps of Engineers and was soon engaged in harbor work at Calbayog, Samar.

In the fall of 1903 he was assigned as assistant to the district engineer at Portland, Maine, where he became engaged in the fortification of Portland harbor and the Kennebec River. He was later placed in charge of the district, but in 1906 was sent overseas again, this time to the Hawaiian Islands with the mission of fortifying Pearl Harbor. At the same time he was charged with improving Honolulu harbor, by dredging, and Hilo harbor, by construction of a breakwater. He also served as a consultant on the project to improve Kahaluu Harbor. As an additional duty he was designated lighthouse engineer for the Hawaiian Islands and in this capacity constructed the Mokapuu Lighthouse on Oahu, the landfall light on Molokai, the Front-Range Light for the Honolulu harbor, and several smaller lighthouses throughout the Islands.

Incidental to the improvement of Honolulu harbor, Otwell supervised the reclamation of a large area to the west of the harbor entrance. This large tract, comprising hundreds of acres, was eventually extended to Pearl Harbor and became the famous Hickam Field where our planes were destroyed by the Japanese on 7 December 1941.

His turn of duty with Engineer troops—as distinguished from duty on civil works projects—having arrived, Captain Otwell was assigned to the command of Company "A," 1st Battalion of Engineers, then stationed in Honolulu but moved soon afterwards to Washington Barracks, D.C., in May of 1909. He continued in command of this unit until his promotion to major in 1913, when he was sent to Fort Leavenworth for the Field Officers Course, Army School of the Line. Upon graduation he was detailed to duty with the Militia Bureau, Office of the Chief of Staff, in the War Department. In this assignment he was charged with equipping and training all the Engineer troops of the National Guard of the United States.

When war was declared on 6 April 1917, Colonel Otwell was designated to raise the Pennsylvania National Guard Engineers to a full regiment, but his reassignment was made necessary by a ruling of the War Department —each state was required to staff its National Guard units with its own officers. The Colonel next assumed command of the 104th Engineer Regiment, 29th Division, at Camp McClellan, Alabama.

—CURTIS WILLIAM OTWELL

Later, when the call came for the organization of additional regiments of Engineers, Colonel Otwell was named to command the newly formed 319th Engineers, 8th Division, Camp Fremont, Menlo Park, California.

Arriving at Camp Fremont he found an almost full complement of officers but only a cadre of enlisted men from the Engineer units then stationed in Hawaii and the Philippines. He immediately detailed his officers to visit various cities in California, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Washington, and Oregon for the purpose of recruiting fillers for the regiment. These hand-picked troops proved to be outstanding not only as engineers but also as athletes. They even excelled in marching and singing, the 319th Engineers winning a division singing contest. The number the men sang was the "Soldiers' Chorus" from the opera "Faust," a most difficult task, and the famous Madame Schumann-Heink presented the prize.

In September 1918 the 319th moved from Camp Fremont to Brest, France, where it undertook the job of converting a sea of mud known as Camp Pontanezen Barracks, into a camp which was to handle most of the troops returning to the United States after the surrender of the Germans. This was a herculean task, but it was done in such a manner as to win the commendation of the commanding general of the American Forces in France.

Colonel Otwell was detached briefly from his regiment during this tour at Brest for duty in the office of the Chief Engineer, Second Army, with station at Toul.

After the Armistice he was invalided home and, after a period of recuperation, was ordered to Vicksburg, Mississippi, where he became the District Engineer. This duty involved the construction of levees between Memphis and Natchez, as well as the containment of the Arkansas River in Louisiana and the maintenance of locks and dams on the Yazoo and Ouachita Rivers.

In 1920 he was ordered to Wheeling, West Virginia, where he had charge of construction and maintenance of locks and dams on the Ohio River between Wheeling and Huntington. Later that same year he transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service and took command of the Chemical Warfare Proving Ground at Lakehurst, New Jersey. When that post was abandoned in the spring of 1921 he was ordered to Washington as assistant to the Chief of Chemical Warfare Service.

In March 1922 Colonel Otwell transferred back to the Engineers, but soon thereafter he was certified as disabled in line of duty and retired in July 1922. The Colonel then moved to San Francisco for work with the Southern Pacific Company, and, as an expert appraiser, evaluated all of the company's waterfront holdings. He served as consulting engineer on the Hunter's Point project for a bridge between San Francisco and Oakland. Later, he became associated with the California Lands, a holding company for the Bank of America. In 1926 he was consulting engineer on a project for construction of a passenger station in Los Angeles. This project was originally opposed by one of the railroad lines, but another group of financiers chose to adopt the Otwell plan and built the station which still stands as a monument to his memory.

In 1954 Colonel and Mrs. Otwell moved to Palo Alto, California, just across a creek from Menlo Park where a plaque in Fremont Park marks the site of old Camp Fremont.

Here let me add a personal note from the men of the 319th Engineers.

We have carried on now for 46 years as the 319th Engineers Veterans Association, World War I. The Colonel was president until a few years back when he was retired to the position of "chairman" and I took over as president.

We gave parties for the Colonel on both his 80th and 85th birthdays. We have all been inspired throughout our lives by the example of leadership, character, and morality that was instilled within us during the days of 1918 when Curtis Otwell was our Colonel. His last reunion with us was in October 1963 when we met for a barbecue on the cattle ranch of one of the men. More than 100 people were present. The Colonel was frail of body then but still strong in his affection for his "men."

At the time of his death, notices were sent to the members of the regiment and over 90 of us gathered once again in Fremont Park, on Sunday afternoon, 30 August 1964, to hold a memorial service for our great friend. The

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Sixth Army furnished the color guard. Graveside services were held in Arlington Cemetery on 11 September (the anniversary of the day the regiment sailed for France in 1918).

We who are left have lost a dear friend and a great commanding officer. He has enriched the lives of all of us, and of our wives and children. To the second and third generation, Colonel Curtis W. Otwell is a very real and great person—a noble gentleman.

Colonel Otwell is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ethel H. Otwell of Palo Alto; a daughter, Mrs. Gloy Ramsdell of Palo Alto; three granddaughters and one grandson; and nine great-grandchildren.

—*Kenneth S. Thompson*
President
319th Engineers Veterans Association

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Francis Fielding Longley

NO. 4070 CLASS OF 1902

Died 10 June 1965 at Doctors' Hospital, Miami, Florida, aged 85 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

An ambitious sister told Longley of an opportunity for him to seek an appointment to West Point through the congressman of his district in Michigan who was giving a competitive examination. This sister then kept his nose to the grindstone for several weeks so that he would be able to answer more questions correctly than a score of other young men who were scheduled to appear for the examination. Her hopes were fulfilled, for Longley became the proud possessor of a principal appointment and entered West Point in June of 1898.

Longley's academic standing was very good, and he stood third in his Class at graduation. On the bronze tablet bearing the names of First Captains, his name is there one year ahead of his illustrious successor, Douglas MacArthur.

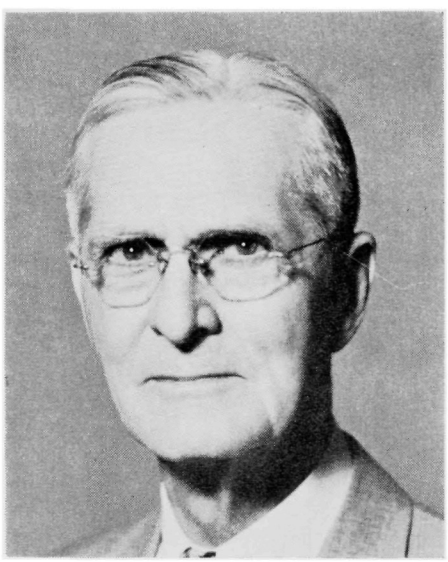
Longley was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. While still a cadet, he had some serious talks with the Commandant and the Professor of Engineering about continuing in an Army career. He was advised to give the matter careful thought during graduation leave and was assured that he had the right to submit a letter to the Secretary of War stating a desire to resign if that was what he felt he wanted to do. He elected to take the latter course, and his resignation was accepted 2 September 1902.

In the fall of 1903 he entered M.I.T. where he pursued courses to qualify him in sanitary engineering with special emphasis on water purification problems. The spring of 1904 saw him actively occupied with such problems, and later in that year he became associated with a leading firm of water supply engineers in New York City.

In 1905 the first filtration plant for purifying the muddy waters of the Potomac, to provide a water supply for the city of Washington, was put into service under the auspices of this firm. Longley was placed in charge of the technical features of its maintenance and operation. Next, a survey had to be made for increasing the District's water supply, a project undertaken by Longley and one which resulted in the construction of an additional aqueduct and thereby greatly increased the capacity of the purification works.

During Longley's work in Washington a monumental effort was being made to reduce the incidence of typhoid fever which was then a terrible scourge. The purification of the Washington, D.C., water supply led to a sharp reduction in typhoid fever there. From Washington, his firm sent him to Toronto where a water purification plant was sorely needed. There he built and placed into operation the first filtration plant in any Canadian city.

The onset of World War I stirred Longley's conscience, and he wrote the office of the Adjutant General tendering his services. His firm, at that time, was involved in work at various training camps; Longley himself was at work at Wrightstown (Camp Dix). When his reply arrived from the Chief of Engineers soon thereafter, he reported for duty the following morning and was commissioned at once as a major in the Corps of Engineers. Two weeks later he was on his way to France with orders to report to the chief engineer, AEF, for the purpose of handling wholesale water supply problems for the American troops in the field.



—Francis Fielding Longley

Before American troops were sent to the front, there was the problem of checking the sufficiency and safety of the water in many locations: base ports, hospital sites, artillery and infantry training areas, etc. Later, when American troops were to be concentrated in the San Mihiel and Argonne sectors, improvised wholesale supplies of water had to be impounded wherever they could be found. The water was then treated and pumped through long pipe lines and made available in reservoirs and tanks near the front where details could collect it as needed.

During the summer of 1917 Congress authorized the creation of the 26th Engineer Regiment solely for water supply work. Longley was soon named colonel of this regiment, and his battalions were sent to France as the need for them became urgent. About this time, the chief surgeon, AEF, approved the policy of making the quality of potable water the responsibility of the Engineers. This was quite a deviation from established practice, and after appropriate orders had been approved by the General Staff, the procedure worked smoothly. After the Armistice, General Pershing had occasion to remark that he had not encountered any situation where troops were short of properly treated water.

The war at an end, arrangements were being made for large numbers of American officers and soldiers to continue their education while they waited for the ships that would take them home. One such project involved sending several thousand men to Great Britain to attend British universities. Longley was ordered to London to receive these men and to organize the program. After securing information from the prospective students and from the universities as to available classes, and after billeting arrangements were completed, students were sent to about 40 educational institutions in England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales.

Longley completed this mission on 12 July 1919 when the last of his students embarked for home. He often referred to this tour as the most "un-military" military duty he was ever called upon to perform.

Among various decorations received for his services during World War I were the Distinguished Service Medal, Honorary Commander, Order of the British Empire (presented aboard H.M.S. *Renown*), and the Étoile Noire.

On his return to America Longley again elected to leave the military service and resume his engineering practice. Within a few months an international agency was formed with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Its purpose was to make a world-wide effort to improve the human environment through such measures as were available in medicine, nursing, sanitation, public health education, etc. Longley was asked to join this effort, and he agreed to head a Division of Sanitary Engineering for a 2-year period —through 1921. His family accompanied him and lived, for most of the time, in Geneva.

Completing this assignment, Longley was invited by the British government to go to Australia to help the head of the Commonwealth develop a Division of Sanitary Engineering. He spent about two and a half years in Australia, and at the end of 1924 he and his family were back in the United States.

From then on, Longley's efforts were spent with a young organization engaged in engineering, manufacturing, and contracting. Over a period of almost 30 years he helped to build it into a prosperous organization reaching into all parts of the world.

When he retired from this corporation in 1953 he was the senior vice-president. During his retirement years he moved between his home on Cape Cod and his home in Florida, depending on the weather. In early 1959 his beloved wife, Dorothy Loud Longley, daughter of the late Colonel John S. Loud, passed away. In September 1959 he married Mary H. Patton.

Longley joined his classmates for their 60th Reunion and was looking forward to his 65th when he was taken from us.

He is survived by his widow; by two sons: John F. of Slingerlands, New York, and William L., Colonel, USA, Ret., of Houston, Texas; by three brothers: James E., John R., and Dwight H.; and numerous grandchildren.

To quote Cicero's words of some 2,000 years ago: "The earth is poorer, it has lost a good man." I believe these words apply appropriately to my father.

—*William L. Longley*
Colonel, USA, Ret.

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Julian Larcombe Schley

NO. 4128 CLASS OF 1903

Died 29 March 1965 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 85 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

JULIAN LARCOMBE SCHLEY WAS ONE of the most distinguished of the Army Engineers of his generation, a former Chief of Engineers of the Army, and a former Governor of the Panama Canal. He died at Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington after a short illness on 29 March 1965.

Julian was born in Savannah, Georgia, 23 February 1880, the son of Julian Schley and Eliza Larcombe, both natives of Savannah. He graduated from Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, N.J. in 1898 and entered West Point in June 1899. Graduating in June 1903, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers.

Julian's service of 40 years covered unusually wide and diversified fields. Each assignment was to a position which could best be held by a superior officer. In all of them he brought great credit to the Corps of Engineers as well as to himself. His first assignments were with Engineer troops on Luzon in the Philippines, at Fort Leavenworth, at Washington Barracks, and in Cuba. In Cuba he was first charged with surveying a portion of the island, and later with compiling a map of the whole island from his own and surveys made by other engineer officers. His was the first good map of Cuba ever made.

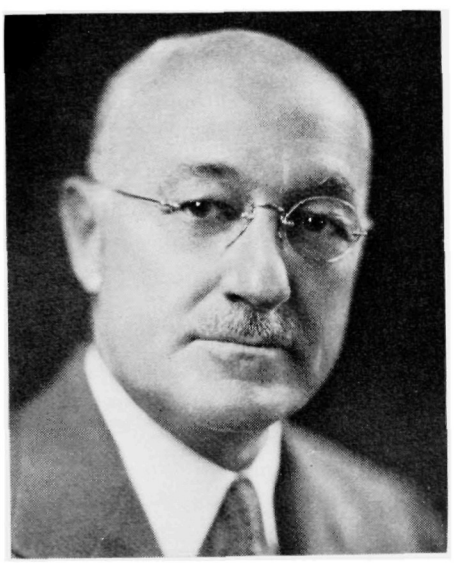
Prior to World War I Julian Schley served as an instructor in the Department of Military Engineering at West Point; as assistant to the Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia; and as executive secretary of the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission. He was also District Engineer at New Orleans in charge of the civil works in southern Louisiana including the improvements at the mouths of the Mississippi River.

In 1917 Julian was ordered to the Mexican border and to the command of a battalion of the 2d Engineers. Soon thereafter he was transferred to the 82d Division then being formed at Camp Gordon near Atlanta, Georgia, and commanded the division's engineer regiment while also serving as the division engineer. He went with the division to France and served with it on the European front. Near the end of the war he was made Chief Engineer of V Corps and participated in the last offensive which ended with the Armistice of 11 November 1918. For his war service he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

Soon after the Armistice, Julian was ordered to Washington as Director of the Purchase, Storage and Traffic Division of the General Staff and as a member of the War Department Claims Board. In 1920 he was detailed as District Engineer at Nashville, Tenn., in charge of the improvement of the Cumberland River and the Tennessee River below Wilson Dam. In 1921 he served as Director of the Department of Military Engineering at the Engineer School at Fort Humphreys, Va. (now Fort Belvoir), and later as Assistant Commandant of the School. In 1924 he was detailed as District Engineer at Galveston, Texas, in charge of seacoast fortifications and improvement of rivers and harbors.

In 1928 Julian began eight years of highly important duty in the Canal Zone. For the first four he was Engineer of Maintenance of the Panama Canal (currently the Lieutenant Governor); and for the second four years, with the title of Governor, he was the executive of the Canal Zone government, and manager of operations, maintenance and improvements of the Panama Canal. While on these two assignments in the Canal Zone, he was ex-officio vice-president and president successively of the Panama Railroad Company which operated practically as an adjunct of the Panama Canal. It was while serving as Engineer of Maintenance that Julian met Miss Denise Vary who was visiting friends in Panama City. They were married in Boston, Denise's home, in 1931.

The years of his service as Engineer of Maintenance (1928-32), and Governor (1932-36), of the Panama Canal, were notable ones in the Canal's history. The great Madden Dam and hydroelectric plant were designed and constructed. The project for the third set of locks, large enough for all vessels then built or in prospect, was conceived; designs sufficient for appropriation estimates were made; and the legislative authority for the execution of the project initiated. With extraordinary prescience, Julian



—JULIAN LARCOMBE SCHLEY

recognized the need for the larger locks in the great war which he could foresee, and he tried to get the work underway and completed before the outbreak. It was no fault of his judgment that the enlargement of the canal was not completed before the war began or that the work had to be suspended during the war for lack of essential materials that could not be diverted from the manufacture of munitions. Throughout that difficult pre-World War II period, Julian's rare talents for cool and judicial administration and for technical work of the highest quality were exercised to the great benefit of the Panama Canal and the nation.

On the expiration of his term as Governor of the Panama Canal, Julian was assigned to Fort Belvoir as Commandant of The Engineer School and Post Commander.

In October 1937 he was appointed Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army with the rank of major general, and it was from this position of great responsibility and difficult problems during the period of preparation for the coming war that he retired on 30 September 1941.

The Schleys then established a home in Savannah, Georgia, Julian's native city.

In 1943 Julian was recalled to active duty and assigned to the office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs in Washington. There, as Director of the Transportation Department, he was responsible for all phases of cooperation between the Latin-American countries and the United States in the war effort in all matters involving transportation.

Reverting to retired status at the end of 1945, he accepted a position as Director of the Baltimore Aviation Commission which was about to undertake the construction of a new municipal airport. When the master plan for the airport was completed and the first construction contracts were drafted late in 1946 he resigned.

In 1949 the Schleys moved from Baltimore to Washington where they established a most attractive home in Georgetown.

Julian was a charter member and past president of the Society of Military Engineers, member of the Society of the Cincinnati, member of the Chevy Chase Club, and member of the Army and Navy Club in Washington.

He is survived by Denise, his widow; by a brother, Henry McAlpin Schley; and by a sister Eliza Schley Siler.

—M.C.T. and G.E.E.

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Latham Loomis Brundred

NO. 5512 CLASS OF 1916

Died 23 February 1965 at Mercy Hospital, San Diego, California, aged 71 years.

Interment: Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, California

LATHAM LOOMIS BRUNDRED WAS BORN in Oil City, Pennsylvania, on 2 October 1893, the youngest son of seven children of Benjamin F. and Elizabeth Loomis Brundred. His early education was acquired at Dr. Earp's private school in the city of his birth and later at St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire. He withdrew from the latter school, however, the year before graduation after having received his appointment to the United States Military Academy from the 31st Congressional District. He entered West Point on 14 June 1912 with the Class of 1916.

He immediately acquired the nickname "Bruno" among his classmates, and with this sobriquet he remained endeared to them for all time. An individual of high moral ethics, Bruno was endowed with an alert, analytical mind and an outstanding executive and administrative ability both of which he developed early in life. To these qualities must be attributed the success he achieved in the industrial career which he later chose. Bruno loved people, and his affable manner, boundless generosity, and warm hospitality won him a host of loyal friends wherever he happened to be.

Upon graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant and was assigned to the 21st Infantry with station at San Diego, California. With his third promotion—to major—in this assignment he was transferred to the 82d Infantry at Camp Kearney, in San Diego County, for duty on the staff of the commanding general of the 16th Division.

The highlight of his service in southern California, and the happiest event of his life, was his marriage in 1917, at San Diego, to Jean Eleanor Miller, the daughter of Harry Leverett and Mary Merrill Miller. The marriage of Jean and Bruno endured in happiness throughout the years and was blessed with two fine children: a son, Larry, and a daughter, Jean.

Repeated requests by Bruno for service overseas during World War I were denied,

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and he served out the war years training troops for combat, an important but less exciting duty.

Shortly after the end of the war he resigned from the Army to join the Brundred Oil Corporation, a family venture, as vice-president and director. This company specialized exclusively in secondary oil recovery using highly technical engineering methods for the extraction of additional oil from wells which had reached their economic limit as primary producers.

In 1924 Bruno left the operating phase of secondary oil recovery and became a sales engineer for oil field machinery and equipment for the National Supply Company in Houston, Texas. Three years later he resigned from National and moved to California, and there established himself as a highly successful consulting petroleum engineer. He was elected vice-chairman for California of the Society of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers in which capacity he presented many technical papers on secondary oil recovery. He was also in great demand throughout the petroleum industry as a

—Latham Loomis Brundred

speaker and gained national renown as an expert in the field of secondary oil recovery.

Several years later the National Supply Company persuaded Bruno to rejoin them as Pacific Coast manager of sales for their pipe division. Within two years he was transferred to Pittsburgh, Pa., and named general manager of sales for the entire pipe division of the National Supply Company. While in Pittsburgh he also served as a member of the steel board in Washington, D. C.

When the United States entered World War II, Bruno immediately offered his services to his country. Contingent upon passing the required physical examination, he was gratified to be tendered an appointment as a colonel in the Corps of Engineers with assignment to the South Pacific to rehabilitate the oil fields that had been destroyed there. But Fate decided against him. The doctors would not pass him for service. Bruno's disappointment was somewhat lessened when his two children volunteered and were accepted for military service. Larry became a lieutenant in the Army Air Corps; and Jean enlisted in the WAVES and through successive promotions ended her military career as a lieutenant in the United States Navy.

In 1955 Bruno and his son Larry pooled their talents, and together they formed their own company, Brundred Enterprises, to engage in secondary oil recovery. Bruno had an established reputation in this field, and Larry was well prepared for the venture as a graduate engineer with two engineering degrees from the California Institute of Technology plus several years of practical experience as an oil field engineer. Father and son made a fine team, but they were soon absorbed by one of their backers, the Climax Molybdenum Company and were asked to organize and operate the Brundred-Climax Waterflood Division with headquarters in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In 1958 Bruno terminated his active participation in the petroleum industry and retired to enjoy some of the fruits of his labors. Jean and he began their retirement with a restful world cruise, after which they returned to California and made their home in San Diego where they had begun their life together. Time never hung heavily on their hands, for they were ideally suited to each other and had many interests in common. Throughout the years trout fishing and golf were their principal recreational activities, as they both loved the great outdoors. But now, as before, their main interest continued to be their children, and they made frequent trips across country by plane or car to see them and their grandchildren.

Bruno died on 23 February 1965 after a courageous but losing battle to fight off a serious infection. While the press captioned his obituaries "National Authority on Secondary Oil Recovery Dies," his family feels that his most enduring monument was his devotion to them, and theirs to him.

The Class of 1916 mourns the passing of an illustrious and beloved classmate who has joined the Long Gray Line.

He is survived by his widow, Jean; a sister, Lois Brundred of Chula Vista, California; a daughter, Mrs. James B. Murray of Charlottesville, Virginia; a son, Latham Loomis Brundred Jr., of Bethesda, Maryland; and eleven grandchildren.

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Spencer Atkins Merrell

NO. 5589 CLASS OF 1916

Died 27 March 1965 at St. Louis, Missouri, aged 70 years.

Interment: Oak Grove Mausoleum, St. Louis County, Missouri

Spencer Atkins Merrell (known to his classmates and friends as "Spence"), a member of the Class of 1916, died on 27 March 1965, in St. Louis, Missouri. Born on 2 February 1895, he was the son of George R. and Alice Atkins Merrell.

Upon graduation from the Academy, Spence was commissioned a second lieutenant and assigned to the 11th Infantry at Douglas, Arizona. He was promoted to first lieutenant on 1 July 1916, to captain on 15 May 1917, and to major in July 1918. He attended the Infantry School of Arms at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, in August and September 1917, and was transferred to the 51st Infantry at Chickamauga, Georgia. He went to France in July 1918, with the 51st Infantry and served there until the end of the war.

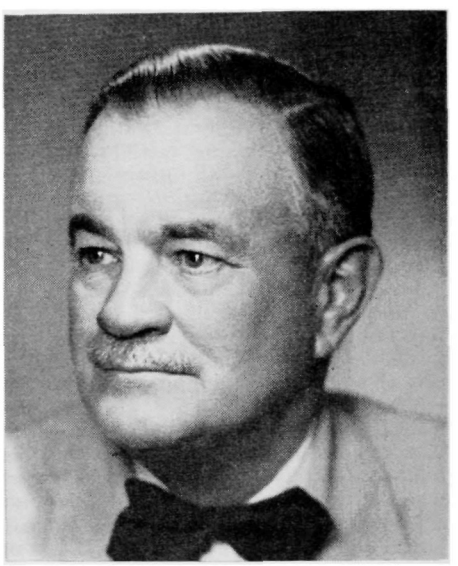
While in France, Spence was an instructor in tactics at the Infantry Specialists' School and later was Director of the 3d Corps Infantry School. He participated in the Meuse-Argonne offensive, was gassed, and received the Purple Heart for wounds received in action on 2 November 1918.

Spence resigned his commissions as temporary major and as captain, RA, on 30 November 1919.

After his resignation Spence engaged in various business activities in the St. Louis area. Most of these, aside from a general insurance business, had to do with activities on the Mississippi River, both commercial and for personal pleasure. For several years he and Mrs. Merrell owned and operated a large marina at Harbor Point, Lake Alton, on the river just north of St. Louis.

Spence was the organizer of the St. Louis Association of West Pointers, the third chapter of the organization in the United States. For many years he was its president and always its most enthusiastic member. No one was more devoted to the Academy than Spence Merrell; he had even enjoyed plebe year. The Merrell home in St. Louis was open house for West Pointers. He was truly a loyal "son."

Probably Spence's greatest disappointment was his inability to serve in the Army during World War II. Diabetes prevented his being accepted, despite his offer to sign any waiver required.



—Spencer Atkins Merrell

Spence was a lifelong member of the Congregational Church, and his daily life was lived in strict adherence to its teaching.

He is survived by his wife, Lela Clark Merrell; a daughter, Katherine Merrell Sanberg, Dallas, Texas; a son, Boyd C. Merrell, Cincinnati, Ohio; a brother Charles Marquis Merrell, Washington, D.C.; two sisters, Ruth Merrell, London, England, and Jane Merrell Stott of New York City.

—Thomas F. McDonald, ex'16

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Lyman Lewis Parks

NO. 5625 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 8 March 1964 at Luray, Virginia, aged 72 years.

Cremation

Lyman Lewis "Parson" Parks died on 8 March 1964 at the Page Memorial Hospital in Luray, Virginia, after a series of heart attacks. He and Flora had moved to Luray from Elizabeth, New Jersey, upon his retirement from the Union County Park Police, which he had organized, and which he had served as its first chief. In Luray he went back to teaching parttime and was also active

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in community affairs. Although his passing was not unexpected, it cast a sad shadow on all those who were associated with him.

The HOWITZER of 1917 not only told well the kind of man he was, but also foretold the life he was to lead.

The name "Parson" was well chosen for him; he was conscientious, cheerful, buoyant, and a happy companion. He had the ability of always being able to help, and a special faculty for being able to get things done. He rarely missed a class luncheon even though it meant traveling 90 miles to attend. His memory was always sharp and vivid, and it was a hilarious session when McEwan, Louis Ford, and Parson Parks gathered to retell old football stories.

As a cadet, Parson stood high in his Class, was on the football squad for four years, sang in the choir for three years, and won the heavyweight wrestling championship.

I served with Parson in the 1st Infantry Division during WWI; he was with the 16th Infantry. His physical and moral courage in battle were unquestioned, nor did I ever know him to "pass the buck."

—LYMAN LEWIS PARKS

He was an instructor in math at West Point after the war, then left the Army for civil life and the task of organizing a police department for the Union County Park Commission in New Jersey. He became its first police chief on 7 September 1926. His reputation with the Park Commission was that of a gentleman of high calibre, a strict disciplinarian, and an organizer.

In addition to his fine work as police chief, he received highest honors from the Union Council, Boy Scouts of America, for his outstanding work in establishing and maintaining Scout troops in Union County. He also served as their Scout Commissioner for 15 years.

On 1 May 1941, Parson was recalled to active duty and served (on leave status from the Park Commission) till 1 July 1946 when he returned to civil life and his job as police chief. At the same time he resumed his assignment with the 311th Infantry Regiment, 78th Division (Reserve).

Parson's innate modesty and humility were revealed in his request, honored by his family, that he be cremated and that his ashes be scattered in the running waters of his homeland.

His monument is the memory he left with his comrades; his spirit is perpetuated in the training he gave his students, the leadership he gave the Boy Scouts, and the lifelong remembrance by his family of his deep and constant devotion to them.

Parson was married first on 13 June 1917 to Elizabeth Sabina Wilbur, a talented violinist and daughter of Dean W. A. Wilbur of George Washington University, Washington, D.C. They had one child, Jane-Lewis Elizabeth, who was two years old when her mother died in 1920.

Flora Francis Cook of Brooklyn, New York, became Parson's second wife on 13 October 1922. Their only child is a son, Lyman Lewis III, born 15 August 1934.

—*A Classmate*

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Russell Luff Meredith

NO. 5767 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 25 June 1965 at Brownsville, Texas, aged 72 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

OF ALL THE PIONEERING AVIATORS our Alma Mater produced, none was more ardent and enthusiastic than Luff Meredith. He flew with the best, and there were no better flyers than he, until a crash forced his retirement in 1927.

After retirement, Luff was employed in the aviation industry in a capacity which utilized his broad flying knowledge and experience. He assisted materially in the development of aircraft communications systems which were the forerunners of the vast, present day, air communications.

—RUSSELL LUFF MEREDITH

Luff was recalled to active duty in 1941, serving throughout World War II. During the war, he was promoted to the grade of colonel, and commanded the Great Falls, Montana, Army Air Force Base. He was awarded the Legion of Merit for his work with the Russians in arranging for flying fields.

After World War II, Luff was again placed on the retired list, and made his home in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

From his youth, Luff Meredith was deeply interested in falconry, and pursued this hobby quite actively during his residence in the Valley. His knowledge of the subject was extensive, and he was acclaimed as a falconry expert among falconers throughout the United States and much of Europe.

Colonel Meredith is survived by his widow, the former Marianne Rodehn of Stockholm, Sweden; by two sons, Russell L. Jr., of Los Altos, California, and William N. of Grand Prairie, Texas; and by a daughter, Anne Meredith of Fort Worth, Texas.

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Boyd Wheeler Bartlett

NO. 6258 CLASS OF 1919

Died 24 June 1965 in Castine, Maine, aged 68 years.

Interment: Castine, Maine

ON 27 JUNE 1965, Brigadier General Boyd Wheeler Bartlett was buried with full military honors in the hilltop cemetery of the old and beautiful town of Castine, Maine, which had been his birthplace 68 years before. His passing, after a long and painful illness, was attended by that steadfast courage and spiritual tranquility which had enabled him to accomplish two distinguished careers in a lifetime of service to his country and his fellow men.

Born on 20 June 1897, the son of Boyd and Louise Wheeler Bartlett, his later academic achievements were presaged by the intellectual activity of his parents. His father had taught in the Boston public schools before moving to Castine, and his mother was the co-author of several books about Maine and its historical landmarks. His secondary education was received in the public schools of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and Castine, and he matriculated at Bowdoin College in 1913. Known as Wheeler to his family, he soon acquired, by reason of his flaming red hair, the more widely used nickname of "Brick."

At Bowdoin, Brick was a leader in his class in every type of activity. He won letters in football and tennis, was captain of the hockey team, art editor of his class yearbook, "The Bugle," served as an Assistant in German, and graduated *summa cum laude* in 1917, receiving the A.B. degree. He was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternities.

America was just then being drawn into World War I, and Brick was appointed to the United States Military Academy from the 3d Maine District by the Hon. J.A. Peters. Brick took the oath of office as a cadet on 14 June 1917. This was the era of accelerated graduation, and his Class spent less than 17 months as cadets. During this time he won his varsity "A" in football, played hockey, was editor-in-chief of the HOWITZER, vice-president of his Class, chairman of the Honor Committee, and, as color corporal, held the highest cadet rank in his Class. He excelled in so many areas that his fellow cadets were delighted and amused to find that he did have "an Achilles' heel"—a remarkable penchant for falling off horses. The esteem of his classmates is attested to by the words of one: "Our cadet days were all too short, but Brick made lasting impressions on his classmates even in that brief period. I remember how we admired his ability in athletics and his academic work, and looked up to him as a mature person who was always willing to contribute to class activities or to help individuals. But he kept himself on our plane, and with his ready wit and modest manner won the hearts as well as the deep admiration of his classmates. I think it is no exaggeration to say that we looked up to Brick as the man we would like to be."

Brick wore the stars of a distinguished cadet and graduated No. 3, being commissioned in the Corps of Engineers on 1 No-

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vember 1918, on the same day as the previous Class (November '18). The war ended 11 days later and Brick's Class was recalled to West Point as student officers to complete the prescribed War Emergency Course. The Class, now designated the Class of 1919, was graduated again on 11 June 1919.

Following a tour of Belgian, French, and Italian battlefields, Brick was posted, now a 1st lieutenant, to the 7th Engineers, serving at Camp Gordon and Fort Benning, Georgia. At the latter station he was engaged with his unit in constructing the famous Fort Benning narrow-gauge railroad. In 1920 he was ordered to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for further schooling, and received a B.S. in civil engineering in 1921. Following service in the Office of the Chief of Engineers, he resigned on 24 November 1922, during the reduction in strength of the Regular Army establishment.

On 3 July 1920, Brick was married to Helen Alice Allen in the South Congregational Church in Peabody, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George I. Allen of Peabody, and had taught in the Castine High School. In the years ahead she was to prove the ideal companion for Brick, appreciating and enriching the lives of the academic communities in which they lived.

From 1922 to 1927 Brick was employed as physicist and group supervisor with the electrical standards and measurements division of the Bell Telephone Laboratories, during which time he received his M.S. in physics from Columbia University.

In 1927 he joined the physics department of his Alma Mater, Bowdoin College, as assistant professor, becoming associate professor in 1929, and professor in 1931. In 1932 he received his Ph.D. in physics from Columbia, where his research, performed under the guidance of the Nobelist, Dr. I.I. Rabi, concerned the magnetic susceptibilities of paramagnetic crystals. In 1934-35, while on sabbatical leave from Bowdoin, he pursued postdoctoral studies in atomic physics at the University of Munich under Professor Sommerfeld. Brick was the holder of more earned degrees—five—than any other graduate in the history of the U.S. Military Academy. To these were added an Honorary Doctor of Science degree from Bowdoin in 1949.

Brick's family ties with Bowdoin were very close, going as far back as his great-grandfather, the Rev. Amos D. Wheeler, who received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Bowdoin in 1860. Bowdoin was also the Alma Mater of his grandfather, Dr. George A. Wheeler, physician, historian, and bibliographer; his father; and his uncle, Dr. Percy Bartlett, professor of surgery at Dartmouth. At Bowdoin, Brick served for many years on the admissions, scholarship, and administrative committees of the faculty. A member of the athletic council for 10 years, he was elected in 1933 to a three-year term on the alumni council, and, as war clouds gathered again, became coordinator of Bowdoin's Civilian Pilot Training Program in 1940. Even after he had left Brunswick, Brick retained a close association with Bowdoin. In 1952 he became an overseer of the college, and in 1961 a trustee.

In 1942 Brick offered his services to the United States government and was commissioned major, A.U.S., in the Corps of Engineers. He reported to West Point in June as assistant professor of physics, and became Acting Professor and Head of the Department of Physics in August 1943, upon the departure of Colonel Gerald Counts for overseas service. He received promotions to lieutenant colonel in December 1942, and to colonel in January 1944; and he was awarded the Legion of Merit for his outstanding leadership of the Department of Physics during the war years. On 3 August 1945 he was appointed to the permanent post of Professor and Head of the Department of Electricity, the position he held until his retirement on 13 July 1961.

As a member of the Academic Board for 16 years, Brick played an influential role in determining the academic policies and curriculum development of the Academy. He served on numerous boards and committees, including the Additional Appointments Committee, the Admissions Committee, the Library Board, the Curriculum Committee, and the Athletic Board; he was chairman of the Admissions Committee for four years and of the Athletic Board for two. He was also a member of the Sesquicentennial Steering Committee; of the committees that arranged the 1949 and 1959 meetings of the Middle Atlantic Section of the American Society of Engineering Education at West Point; and of

—Boyd Wheeler Bartlett

the Self-Evaluation Accreditation Committee of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

A Trustee of the Association of Graduates from 1948 until his death, he held membership in numerous professional societies, including the American Physical Society, the American Association of Physics Teachers, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Society for Engineering Education. His many scientific and professional papers appeared in the *Physical Review*, the *Bell System Technical Journal*, the *Review of Scientific Instruments*, *The American Journal of Physics*, *Physikalische Zeitschrift*, *Nucleonics*, *Science*, and *The Military Engineer*, as well as in Assembly. These distinguished academic attainments enabled Brick to render a particularly valuable service to West Point in acquainting other educators with the merits of the curriculum and instructional methods of the Military Academy, a service which his accepted professional stature enabled him to perform with unusual effectiveness.

Brick was early convinced of the importance of modern physics to the army officer, and during his tenure as acting head of the Department of Physics developed a short subcourse in atomic physics as part of the third class physics course. During 1946 he introduced the subject of nuclear physics to the curriculum in a lecture to all First Classmen, entitled "The Physics of the Atomic Bomb." In 1949 it was decided to transfer the modern physics subcourse to second class year and to the Department of Electricity. In preparation for this transfer Brick gave an 18-week course of instruction in nuclear physics to all officers of his department.

During the next few years, as the nuclear physics course was expanded from 15 to 27 lessons, he obtained a versatile selection of demonstration equipment, including radiation counters, cloud chambers, and lecture apparatus. The course was broadened to include the basic fundamentals of nuclear reactors, and Brick invited many notable physicists to address the cadets on the subject of nuclear energy. He arranged for annual visits of selected class sections to the Brookhaven National Laboratories on Long Island, and to the Nevis Cyclotron of Columbia University at Tarrytown.

During his 15,000-mile trip on sabbatical leave in the spring of 1960 (billed officially, much to his amusement, as a "sabbatical and anti-stagnation leave") he visited many of the country's leading engineering schools, as well as military branch schools and research and development facilities, and such AEC installations as Savannah River, Oak Ridge, Livermore, and Hanford. His conferences with leading educators confirmed his view, in which the Academic Board concurred, that a full semester course should be devoted to atomic and nuclear physics. This change was installed during the last year before his retirement, and with it came the introduction into the course of the first nuclear physics laboratory experiments performed by the cadets themselves. At the same time, Brick's conviction that nuclear engineering had a significant military future led to the construction of a nuclear science laboratory, complete with subcritical reactor fueled with 5,500 lbs of natural uranium, in a portion of the old power laboratory, and the completion of detailed plans to present an elective course in nuclear engineering. In addition, extensive instrumentation was acquired to support this course. Thus, Brick's departure was crowned by the completion of an important advance in the Academy's curriculum which he had been responsible for initiating many years before, and which he had carefully developed over the years.

On the electrical side of the Department's course he completed the work begun by General Chauncey Fenton in bringing electronics and communications into the curriculum. He was responsible for the introduction of such topics as transistors, color television, servomechanisms, and analog computers, and during his last year on active duty the Department acquired a small but complete digital computer. Plans were laid for the introduction, during the following year, of instruction in digital computer techniques and electronics, and the years following Brick's retirement saw a truly explosive computer expansion deriving from the first steps he had initiated. It was also under his direction that the Department of Electricity offered its first elective course in the new program of advanced studies.

To the deliberations of the many boards and committees on which he served, Brick brought a valuable sense of balance and a high degree of judgment. He knew when to push and when to wait, how to support a viewpoint and how to reconcile opposing views, what bounds are set by realism on courses of action, and what weight to put on the personal equation. President James S.

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Coles of Bowdoin referred to this ability when he stated that the college "has lost one of its finest alumni and one of the ablest and most devoted members of its Governing Boards. . . . A scholar in the broadest sense, his innate wisdom and his wide experience made him an invaluable counselor and committee chairman." The full nature of his contributions cannot be adequately described by a formal listing of his achievements. The touch of a true teacher manifests itself in many small ways. Members of the Electricity Department staff at West Point will long recall his deliberate but informal lecture style and his adroit capitalization, when demonstration equipment became balky, of the fact that cadets often pay closer attention when the demonstrations don't work than when they do. Readily accessible to instructors, he could often be found in the instructors' room engaged in a discussion of some theoretical or practical point. He took advantage of such opportunities to share with the instructors his insight into the art of teaching, and in some respects this guidance resembled a graduate course, in which the instructors were enticed into greater depth of study and analysis for their own satisfaction. The effects on instructors of this informal approach were increased enthusiasm for their work, a more professional understanding of the subject, and encouragement to advance ideas for the improvement of their courses.

Honored by Bowdoin with the award of an honorary Doctor of Science degree in 1949, Brick received an oak leaf cluster to his Legion of Merit and was promoted to brigadier general upon his retirement at West Point in 1961. Returning to Castine, he remained active in the affairs of Bowdoin, serving as reviewing and commissioning officer for the college's Reserve Officer Training Corps, and as a member of the Board of Trustees, the highest governing council of the college. He continued, also as vice president, secretary, and treasurer of his West Point Class. He delighted in his return to the land of his origins, and became actively involved in Castine civic and church affairs and in the pleasures of that scenic region. He was chairman of Civil Defense, trustee of the Community Hospital, and chairman of the Parish Committee of the Unitarian Church to which he belonged.

Brick is survived by his wife Helen, who continues to reside in Castine; a younger brother, Frederic S. Bartlett, of Radnor, Pa., and Castine; a nephew, Thomas S. V. Bartlett, of Flossmoor, Illinois; a niece, Mrs. Raymond Miller, of Strafford-Wayne, Pa.; and grandnieces and grandnephews, Barbara and Margaret Miller, and Thomas Boyd, and Shelly Bartlett. Family ties meant much to Brick, and in addition to these closest of kin he leaves a large family circle of cousins and "in-laws," old and young, who admired and loved him. They have written feelingly of their debt to him for inspiration in their own lives and for "bright memories of good times shared." He liked young people and had a way with them that they liked. A daughter of one of his dearest West Point friends wrote in recollection: "I was so thrilled to be treated as an adult and not talked down to by such an erudite professor, as well as fascinated by what he had to say." A young member of the family, himself a college professor, wrote, "Brick has left a part of himself with us all."

A host of friends have attested in beautiful letters to the impact Brick made on their lives.

These two tributes from distinguished classmates are characteristic: "Brick was a wonderful citizen, and the world is a much better place because of the time he spent here. His delightful sense of humor, his warm interest in others, and his unchallengeable integrity of character are qualities which endeared him to all his friends." "Brick epitomized the highest ideals of the Military Academy and was noted for his deep sense of loyalty to friends and to principles."

A retired Army officer is often fortunate in being eulogized before his death, and Brick was deeply appreciative of the tributes received from his colleagues at the time of his retirement. It was characteristic of his sense of humor that none delighted him more than the "ceremonious" presentation to him, at the Academic Board's farewell dinner, of the "honorary degree of Doctor of Physical and Electrical Lobsterology," complete with a doctor's hood of cadet gray emblazoned with scarlet lobsters, and a citation which, couched in humorous terms, conveyed all the more effectively the underlying sincerity of its message of friendship and tribute.

A former Superintendent of the Military Academy appraised Brick as "one of the great professors of West Point history."

His legacy to the Academy is not confined to the stone and mortar of improved facilities, nor yet embraced by the more significant effect of educational advances; his most enduring monument lies in the inspiration and example he has transmitted to thousands of students, the true immortality of the teacher.

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John Paul Kennedy

NO. 6275 CLASS OF 1919

Died 17 March 1964 at Pawhuska, Oklahoma, aged 66 years.

Interment: Pawhuska City Cemetery, Pawhuska, Oklahoma

JOHN P. KENNEDY WAS BORN on 29 June 1897 in Ireland and came to the United States as a youth of sixteen. He received an appointment to West Point and was graduated as a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery in 1918. He went immediately into active service with the Army and served until 1920. He was a staff officer with the Oklahoma National Guard from 1920 until 1940. He returned to active duty in the second World War as a lieutenant colonel with the 70th Infantry Regiment. He served with a civil affairs unit in Europe, spending most of his time in Germany. He was decorated with France's Croix de Guerre by General de Gaulle during this time.

—JOHN PAUL KENNEDY

During his adult years John Kennedy was active in the banking business. He purchased controlling interest in the Barnsdall (Oklahoma) State Bank in 1925. Later, he joined the Bank of Commerce in Pawhuska and served as president of that bank from 1936 to 1955 when he was named Chairman of the Board. The Bank's deposits had risen from less than $1 million to over $4 million during his presidency.

He held many civic posts including ten years as a member of the board of directors of the Pawhuska Chamber of Commerce and also served as president of that group. He was a past commander of the local American Legion Post and a member of the Rotary Club for many years. He served as fund drive chairman as well as treasurer for many civic groups and local fund drives. He was active in ranch holdings in the area and had long been associated with a number of county banks.

He is survived by his wife Vivian; a son John; and three daughters: Mary Ann, Marjorie, and Vivian.

John Kennedy died at the age of 66 on Saint Patrick's Day, 17 March 1964, a fitting day for an Irishman to leave this world.

Although no man is indispensable, John Kennedy will certainly be missed for a long time to come.

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Royal Bertrand Lord

NO. 6963 CLASS OF 1923

Died 21 October 1963 at Rancho Santa Fe, California, aged 64 years.

Interment: Chapel of the Chimes, Oakland, California

WHEN ROYAL BERTRAND LORD—West Point, Class of 1923; major-construction operator, Corps of Engineers; major-general, Army of the United States; senior government official in numerous roles; successful business executive in corporate management; trusted financial consultant to industry; colorful entrepreneur in his own right with a tradition of success in all — when this man was taken from the ranks of his generation, one of the real doers of the era was lost.

Never inclined to work on mere theory, to deal with the abstract, to expend time or energy on the illusory or the impracticable, he continuously set one objective after another and then drove hard to attain each. His was a sure faculty for identifying the attainable and the means for getting it; even when the way was difficult and beset with obstacles he was utterly realistic about the goals toward which he directed his boundless energy. Not that he lacked imagination. Indeed, he often visualized things which were not yet over the horizon, and his concepts of what could be done and how to go at it, how to take the hurdles in the way, frequently outran all the imagination which his associates could muster. Fantastic, if not merely unconventional, as some of his concepts seemed — "wild ideas" some people called them — the plans he envisioned were always feasible to one having the talents and the persistence which he could apply to them when, on balance, he thought the effort worth while.

Accordingly, Roy Lord became a builder. Structures, installations, roads, dams, fortifications, buildings, houses and homes, more particularly entire housing projects under

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which whole communities could be brought into being where perhaps nothing had existed before — complete with dwellings, roads, utilities and landscaped stretches — these were the challenges which he accepted and to which he devoted much of his life. In building these things he found his fulfillment. He left behind him, wherever Army orders and his subsequent business career took him — and that covered much of this world, including all six continents — a long list of useful and enduring works. It was for these that he was best known, for they were there to be seen and to be used. And there they remain today, known as things which "Roy Lord built when he was here" — a comment often heard in many far away places.

Just to list a few of them: improved, modernized, native barrios housing hundreds of families in the Philippines of his earliest days, where he also erected the first high radio-towers built in those far islands; later at West Point new athletic fields, a polo-field (Howze Field) now used as the stadium parking-lot, the great cadet field-house, a new gymnasium wing, the fine ice-hockey arena (Smith Rink), and other A.A.A. funded facilities built while he was on duty with U.S.M.A.'s famed Engineer Detachment. Later, navigation locks-and-dams on the Mississippi, and flood-control works on the Missouri while he was operations officer of the St. Louis Engineer District; then on to "Quoddy Village" and its entire community development, as well as the initial dam structures for the ambitious Passamaquoddy Tide-Harnessing Project on the Bay of Fundy in far northern Maine; then on to numerous "Green-Belt" rural housing communities across the nation while he headed the construction division of the Farm Security Administration in the New Deal days of the Roosevelt Era; and then, to field fortifications and pillbox defense installations (for which the Army still holds his several patents) along Hawaiian beaches in the calm days before Pearl Harbor; then to build various officers clubs and recreational facilities at posts from Fort Lawton to Fort Belvoir before going overseas to the E.T.O.; and then many great undertakings such as the extensive roads-and-bridges plans and the rehabilitations necessary to implement his concept of the famous "Red-Ball Express" which carried an endless stream of munitions supplies across France from the Cherbourg Ports to the allied armies advancing on Nazi Germany, followed by the enormous cantonments which he built near Rheims (of which ancient city he was made an honorary citizen) while he was commander of the vast Assembly Command created for the redeployment of American forces no longer required in Europe. Then into civilian life where he undertook more mass-produced housing, including large projects down in Argentina in the boom-tide of the Peronista era; and on returning back home a variety of industrial-plant building until, more recently, more home-building and group-housing undertakings in various locations about the country, culminating in the grand and plush La Quinta Country Club development near Eldorado at the edge of California's Palm Desert; until finally he built his own delightful retirement home on a lovely rise overlooking the golfcourse at beautiful Rancho Santa Fe.

For these, and many more monuments to the fact that Roy Lord had passed by, he was admiringly known. But there were other sides to this restless and industrious man. There was always the temptation to refer to Roy Lord as a "young man" even when his years belied the label, for he ever gave the impression of being young. Right up to the last beat of his overworked heart, when he toppled into the lap of his beloved wife sitting beside him in their car, Roy always displayed such bouyancy of spirit with such a lilt if not swagger to his stride — often wrongly called "cockiness" — as to give an impression of youthful zest and exuberance.

Starting with his arrival in "Beast Barracks" at West Point in the days just following World War I, where he reported-in in the incongruous garb of a Navy gob complete with bell-bottom trousers and jaunty sailor cap on the side of his head, to his first military reporting-for-duty as a shining new shavetail of Engineers with his sleek, long, bright-red "Moon" roadster to startle the staid garrison of Fort McKinley as well as the natives of tropical Manila, his was often the dramatic entrance onto any new scene. Not that he necessarily plotted it that way — although admittedly he was not above put-

—Royal Bertrand Lord

ting on a bit of a show when it suited his whimsy — but actually only because Roy Lord was just built that way. To his ebullient spirit with its consuming zest for life, there simply was no warrant for doing anything in the drab-and-humdrum way when one had the zip-and-pep for doing it in some less inhibited way. Since he was so abundantly endowed with just that zip-and-pep, he had to act accordingly. Flamboyant perhaps to some — those whose limitations held them to more slavish patterns of living — and even a bit dramatic and exhibitionist to others maybe — those who just never knew how to take his exuberance.

The many friends who *did* understand Roy, and who loved him for his own attributes, realized that he could just not function in any other way. For him the little flourish, and at times even the grand gesture, came quite naturally.

When sent down to New York City from West Point in 1931 to guide Grover Whelan in staging the Army-Navy "Charity Game" of football that year — played in Yankee Stadium at the order of Herbert Hoover for the benefit of New York's "Unemployed," as represented by Evangeline Booth's Salvation Army — and when the well-known "Gardenia Man" presided at daily public arrangements-sessions in his enormous office at Wanamakers, right alongside him each day appeared the indispensable but irrepressible Roy — wearing an even larger gardenia. Then, when Evangeline had assembled a couple-hundred New York businessmen to enlist their support in the extravaganza, and it seemed to be in order to raise a substantial sum on the spot in cash for publicity purposes, Roy donned a Salvation Army hat, grabbed Evangeline's tambourine, passed it amongst the notables, and in no-time came up with the amount needed.

Again, when sent down to New York from far-off Passamaquoddy to interest some of the major construction contractors in coming up there to bid on the large contracts soon to be awarded (at an earlier invitation, no responsible bidders had appeared) nothing was heard from him for three days even though time was of the essence. Then came his telegram directing that a fleet of cars meet the 4:30 a.m. arrival of the daily "milk train" at a siding some thirty miles away. Knowing that Roy never failed to deliver even when his estimates might seem overly ambitious, the specified twenty cars were scrounged from the staff and the milk train was met. At the tail end of that day's humble train there were attached four swank "private cars" provided by as many railroad presidents, and aboard them were what proved to be very interested bidders from eight of the nation's largest construction firms, including such as Stone & Webster, Fuller Construction, and Merritt Chapman & Scott. How that august group and their de luxe transport had been assembled and brought the great distance on such short notice, as ever, remained Roy's secret. But such was his flair. And such was his value to his government — and to those who served and worked with him.

Another of Roy's characteristics was his built-in intolerance of mediocrity. Although he never intended to hurt anyone's feelings — his was actually a kindly heart — his quick intuitiveness gave him instant recognition of those who were not quite up-to-it, those who just did not have what-it-took to play in his league, so he would instinctively shrug them off and might even become oblivious to their presence. No affront intended; he merely preferred to free himself of the trivial so that he could remain on his set course. Opposition he could withstand and combat; competition he always sought and loved; but pettiness, shilly-shally, or truck with those whose personal assets were trifling, were things which he assiduously avoided.

An additional asset was his strong distaste for contention, dispute or argument. Roy could rarely be drawn into a procedural debate, and he was never a party to the scheming and intrigue which occasionally develop within organizations. His refusal to be drawn into disputes was so pronounced that it was often evidenced by his abrupt walking-off or summarily leaving the room when associates insisted upon wrangling. Roy could and frequently did fail to concur, or even to disapprove. He would state his reasons, defend them logically — but let the matter go at that. Debate and belaboring expositions of alternatives never had any appeal for him. It just seemed to be more fun, more profitable, to just get on with something productive.

Perhaps it was from this sense of values that Roy always regarded the Army's insistence upon service-schools and endless training-courses as needless overemphasis. So these he overtly avoided. Of course he did take the usual basic course for all new Engi-

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neer subalterns down at old Fort Humphreys in Virginia and, on returning from his exciting initial tour of troop duty in the Orient, he took his graduate civil engineering degree at the University of California. Though his record there was impressive, he always said afterward that he valued the experience primarily because it led to his meeting the lovely Elizabeth Richardson, daughter of a prominent Berkeley attorney, who soon thereafter became his beautiful bride and the beloved "Betty" of all his remaining years.

He declined invitations to "go to Leavenworth" to attend the Staff and Command College, always asking for active duty assignments instead. He turned down repeated opportunities to attend the Army War College and, although definitely intrigued by the scope of the then-famous Army Industrial College, he also passed it by. As usual, his intuition served him well in the end. For after all, quite without benefit of any "Leavenworth," he became not only a major general of the wartime Army — in a day when that rank was still a very senior grade — but was chosen as Chief of Staff of "Comzone," the enormous Services-of-Supply organization of the European Theater, while at the same time he served as Deputy Chief of Staff of "SHEAF," that mightiest staff agency ever assembled by armies in the field. That he filled both those roles adequately is testified to by the numerous honors and decorations awarded him by both his own grateful government and those of its British and French allies.

In other roles of his life Roy not only survived but he succeeded in getting what he wanted in similar unconventional ways. He preferred the direct-approach rather than the usual detours of studied preparation and tedious build-up; thus giving substance to the saying "a man who is really tops in any role can be counted on to reach the top in other roles if he so chooses." He often stated that as his belief; his own record gave it validity. However, when advising others — which he rarely presumed to do — he always urged sticking to the beaten path which he himself seldom elected to travel. Perhaps he saw limitations in others which he would not tolerate in himself.

Another attribute which undoubtedly shaped much of his career was his natural fondness for the good things of life. His sure ability to quickly spot real quality in anything lead to a great urge to acquire fine and costly things. Never extravagant in the sense of being wasteful, he was nevertheless overly generous to friends and those whom he chose to favor. As a young man, especially as a fancy-free bachelor, he lived very well and he cut quite a swathe. His elegant manners and dashing ways — on the occasions when he was inclined to display them — taken together with as smooth and snakey a dancing ability as could then be found on any ballroom floor, placed him high in the esteem of the young ladies and much in demand by the hostesses of the garrisons with which he served. With his flair for gorgeous corsages and his observance of all the social amenities, he offered tough competition to brother officers and was a real prize for those girls who caught his fancy. The older women, appreciating the attention and deference which he always and easily accorded them, in turn did much to help him fully enjoy the gay regimental life of those days.

Fortunately for a man of his tastes, Roy Lord also had working for him that sixth sense or whatever it is which identifies the natural money-maker. Even as a junior officer his expensive appetites required that he bolster his military pay with substantial other income, and he was ingenious indeed in finding ways to do so. He was particularly successful in his investments of what he was able to put aside as savings. Even in his early days he sensed that certain of the utilitarian products with which he tinkered — the marvelously versatile De Walt Saw for one — would eventually enjoy a wide market. (He later filled important roles in his spare time in promoting De Walt to its phenomenal sales record during World War II and he had previously personally established important sales outlets for it in Australia and New Zealand, while on a "vacation" tour down under from Hawaii.) His business judgment convinced him that the men promoting these products had what it would take to fully exploit their inherent merits. With the courage of this conviction he made small investments while cleverly working out rights to buy-in further as time went on. Over a period of many years he nourished those equities from additional savings and by patient reinvestment of their earnings, to the extent that his ultimate participation became really substantial.

Assuming that wars and further military prominence had been ended for the rest of his days, Roy elected to retire upon returning from Europe in 1946 — being required to "request his voluntary reduction to his permanent grade of Major, Corps of Engineers" and to waive all rights for possible physical-disability findings in order to do so. (He was later re-promoted to the rank of major general on the Army Retired List, however.) Entering business in New York City, he bought a lovely home in Scarsdale out in Westchester County, and for the next several years he was at the very center of a swirl of such ramified business operations as only the post-war conditions of those days could make possible. His areas of interest were wide, both domestic and foreign, the latter requiring much travel including a long residence in Argentina as well as extended returns to France. As the vehicle for his operations he used an entity — created for the purpose by associates with Roy as its president and prime-mover — under the unabashed corporate title of "World Wide Development Corporation." That this company prospered from the very outset was much less that a situation then existed in which other similar ventures also prospered than in the cold fact that he had assembled a group of such varied talents as permitted them to seize the opportunities which cropped up so abundantly in those days.

Eventually tiring of the unending burdens of day-to-day management in a highly competitive field, and having gained both the experience and the confidence to do so — as well as an entree into the necessary circles — he more or less retired into the role of financial consultant and advisor to certain important investment groups. Progressing from such participations over a few years he gradually further retired into the management of only his own and his family's affairs.

High among his interests of those later years were the affairs of his own son, Dick, a graduate of Brown University by that time. Roy had set him up in business in Los Angeles after the young man had completed some years of apprenticeship in various industrial assignments in which his father had placed him. At the time of Roy's sudden death in Rancho Santa Fe on 21 October 1963, this bachelor son was well established on his own and was mature enough to give Betty solid support in her grief.

Fortunately for both of them Roy had been given a stern warning of his heart's condition some three years previously, so both he and Betty were conditioned and able to make the most of that period of grace. Happily he remained in outwardly good health, enjoyed most of his normal vigor, and retained all of his high spirits. Thus the two were able to enjoy the happiest years of their lives together in the wonderful surroundings which they had carefully selected and prepared for just that purpose. The end came as he had hoped it would, suddenly, painlessly, and with instant finality.

During his exciting lifetime Roy made a few very close and intimate attachments — all of them with men with whom he had worked most closely while still in the government's service — men from whom his tendered friendship was warmly returned in ways which seemed to bring him his greatest satisfaction. Perhaps outstanding among these was his long and intimate association with Philip B. Fleming (USMA 1911) who was Roy's immediate superior on many assignments. Roy had become one of a team of two Engineers whom Phil Fleming — under his many titles running from major to major-general, and including such others as graduate-manager, director, administrator, assistant-secretary, ambassador, and long-time presidential cabinet-officer — called in every time he received another of his many trouble-shooting assignments to critical jobs by President Roosevelt. He depended upon this team confidently, usually assigning Roy to full responsibility for the "operations" at hand, whatever they might involve, while the other member of the team always handled the office and all of its administrative details. Since Fleming himself was an unusually colorful operator, as well as an equally successful executive, Roy was ever completely happy to rejoin and work as one-half of this team.

Another association from which he took great pride and inspiration was that with Henry Agaard Wallace — first as Federal Administrator, then as Secretary of Agriculture, finally as Vice President — with whom Roy served in several capacities. Amongst these he particularly valued their day-to-day dealings on the Board of Economic Warfare, just prior to his departure for his wartime assignment overseas. To obtain his services on the Economic Warfare work, Vice President Wallace had plucked (or rescued) Roy from his brief assignment as the War Department's Chief of Public Information — probably the only duty he ever undertook which he did not fully enjoy.

Still another close and valued relationship for Roy was the one which he enjoyed with General Beadle Smith, Chief of Staff to General Eisenhower, with whom Roy lived in London during the invasion-planning days. More particularly did his admiration grow for General Smith when, as his Deputy, they headed the great SHEAF staff in London, later in Normandy, and ultimately in Versailles and Paris, throughout the European Campaign.

Many honors came to this man of West Point, and he often cited that heritage as his inspiration for whatever he had done to deserve them. He accepted and carried those honors as casually as would have been the case if they had passed him by. The Army — after the Congress had so shamefully held him and his contemporaries in the grades of lieutenant for more than sixteen years — recognized his wartime services not only with rapid promotions to senior rank, but with

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the Distinguished Service Medal, along with the Legion of Merit and several lesser testimonials. Perhaps Roy's most cherished kudos came in the form of an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from his first alma mater, Brown University, back in his hometown of Providence, where he had studied prior to enlisting at the outset of war in 1917 to start the military-governmental career which took him so far. (His mother and a brother continued to live in Providence, thus maintaining it as "home" for him throughout his lifetime.) The Brown University laudatory citation concluded: "And now the college which you left for West Point to become a professional soldier and engineer summons you back home to enroll you as an honorary alumnus." In mentioning this privately once, Roy said: "You know, that really made me feel good."

One of Roy's most remarkable qualities, displayed repeatedly throughout his lifetime, was his outstanding ability to face the end of something — something which could-no-longer-be — with complete acceptance, utter finality, and without any tendency to prolong the process of terminating it. This was a rare and fortunate talent. He could immediately accept the fact that a thing had ended, merely dust his hands of it, walk off, and literally not so much as refer to it again. There was never anything in the way of recrimination, regret, or post-mortems in Roy's life when he came to an inevitable parting of ways. Whenever a project on which he was working, full-blast and all-out as usual, was brought to a sudden end — by military decision, by Act of Congress, by catastrophe, by its completion, by an act of Fate, by his own firm decision, or by evidence that it could no longer yield the necessary profit, from any cause whatsoever — he had the amazing ability to just drop it and move right on to the next job, whatever that might be.

This facility of attitude did much to conserve for him the energies which he would soon need in his next undertaking. It freed him of the usual heartache, any struggle to accept the dictates of fate, or any temptation to just hang-on-a-little-longer which were so often the lot of his associates. That knack was to him a great asset indeed.

There can be no doubt but that it would be his wish that all his friends, as well as his dear ones, would act the same way when faced with the fact of his leaving them. Just to be taken with complete acceptance, with entire good-will, and with honest gratitude for what had been. Above all, no regrets! Just treasured memories of the fine man whom we had known. That is the way it was with Roy Lord. For that, as for all of our intimate associations with him, we are grateful indeed. May he now rest in peace.

—*D. J. L.*

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Rex Eugene Chandler

NO. 7044 CLASS OF 1923

Died 6 September 1964 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, aged 63 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

IN LATER YEARS, Rex often described himself as a "domestic engineer," more correctly a "human engineer." His deep understanding of his fellow man and a resourceful ingenuity were the two traits of character which guided and influenced his entire life.

I have never known a man with more understanding, consideration, and compassion for his fellow man. And I will never forget the ingenuity which emanated from him in every day of his living; it was the hallmark of his daily performance, both official and unofficial; of his contributions to field artillery tactics and techniques at the Artillery School and in combat operations in the Pacific; and of his paintings and cartoons that added a touch of humor and enduring philosophy to the whole. Another facet which should be remembered is that Rex always strove for perfection in everything he did.

Rex Eugene Chandler was born in Gazette, Missouri, on 24 July 1901 and attended elementary school in Bowling Green, Missouri, and high school in Niles, Ohio.

His military career began when Representative John G. Cooper of the 19th District of Ohio appointed him to the United States Military Academy. Rex entered West Point in 1919, graduated in June 1923, and entered on active duty as a second lieutenant of Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

—REX EUGENE CHANDLER

It was in San Antonio that Rex met and courted Anne Page. They were married in 1925 and were blessed with two sons and a daughter, Rex. E. Jr., Robert P., and Anne P. Son, Rex E. Jr., preceded his father in death.

During his early career, Rex served in command and staff positions with various field artillery units and as an instructor in drawing at the Military Academy. At Fort Sill, Rex attended the Battery Officers' Course as well as the Advanced Communications Course at the Field Artillery School.

In 1936 Rex was selected to attend the Command and General Staff School. His classmates and friends at Fort Leavenworth at the time will always have a fond remembrance of their studies and associations during that school year. Throughout the year, Rex recorded the significant events as they occurred by turning out an inimitable series of cartoons. His drawings were the product of a delightfully pointed, yet light, wit which was able to amuse while still conveying a more serious message. At the end of the year, he had his work reproduced and bound into a book which depicted classroom life as well as field problems and social life at Fort Leavenworth. His artistic insight and his ability to cartoon the passing scene were timeless, and in most cases are just as applicable today as they were in 1936. None of us will ever forget his portrayal of the events surrounding the arrival and initial duty of an energetic and enthusiastic young Leavenworth product assigned to Washington on the War Department General Staff. The cartoon is reproduced here, and I think anyone who has ever served in Washington will recognize a certain similarity to his own duty there.

Rex continued to develop his artistic talents throughout his entire military career and into retirement. Visitors to the Artillery Museum at Fort Sill have the pleasure of viewing Rex's copy of Conant's painting of Major Robert Anderson of the 1st Artillery standing beside one of the Columbia seacoast cannons during the siege of Fort Sumter in 1861.

Following graduation from the Command and General Staff School, he was assigned as Communications Officer, Field Artillery School, where his planning and organizational ability were fully exploited. His ingenuity and foresight contributed significantly to the new innovations planned for use in the field of artillery communications. In later years, especially during the critical times of World War II mobilization and field operations, Rex saw his ideas adopted into general and very advantageous use in the Army. For example, Rex was one of the prime movers in getting the new principle of frequency modulation (FM) introduced into military radios.

In 1940 Rex began a tour in the Office of the Chief of Field Artillery in the War Department. Here he played his usual role of innovator. Perhaps the most publicized of his ideas was the concept of using light aircraft for artillery observers. This pioneer effort has survived, and was, in reality, the foundation of today's Army aviation program.

Following this assignment, Rex qualified as a pilot of light observation planes and used this skill to great advantage during his combat service in World War II.

I was personally associated with this brainchild of Rex's. Rex and I wound up in the same battalion at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, in April 1942, as members of the cadre of the newly formed 85th Infantry Division. Rex encouraged me to learn to fly so that when our field artillery battalion eventually did receive its authorized light aircraft, we would be supplied with knowledgeable Army aviators before the battalion was committed in the combat zone. Rex knew the battalion would get its airplanes overseas, but probably not soon enough to train with them before entering direct combat. His personal appeal to me, therefore, was his ingenious way of insuring that his battalion would not only be prepared to incorporate the new technique but also to be able to capitalize on it.

Meanwhile, he continued his interest in communications and was able to see his earlier development work materialize in the form of frequency modulation radios for artillery communications. These sets greatly improved communication techniques and procedures and are now used widely throughout the Army and the other Armed Services.

In August 1942 Rex was suddenly pulled out of his battalion at Camp Shelby and sent to the Pacific. There he joined I Corps in the Southwest Pacific area as the Corps Deputy Chief of Staff and served with distinction through the Hollandia operation.

In November 1943 he was selected to be the Artillery Commander of the 1st Cavalry Division and was promoted to brigadier general. His broad background in field artillery gunnery, communications, and organization

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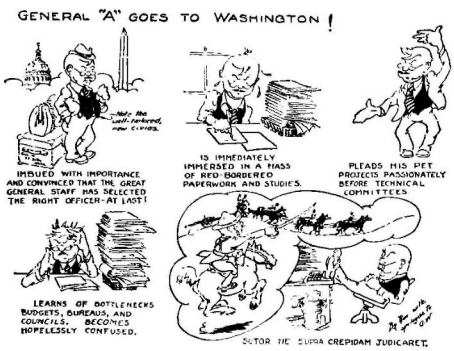
now proved to be invaluable and enabled Rex personally to contribute immeasurably to the great successes of the 1st Cavalry Division in its many campaigns in the Pacific. His ability to improvise and to meet new situations with the resources at hand was demonstrated fully during the Admiralty Islands campaign when part of the Artillery was pushed ashore by hand and was used in a direct-fire role. Later, when the remaining battalions arrived, he deployed his artillery units on small, offshore islands and developed the flanking fire technique. Rex knew that the small deflection dispersion of the artillery pieces would permit guns placed on the flanks to fire extremely close-in fire support and thereby eliminate almost completely the overhead, tree-burst danger.

Still the communicator, Rex developed new techniques for laying wire by boat and by amphibious tractor. His knowledge and skill in the use of light observation aircraft produced outstanding results in directing artillery fire in spite of the dense jungle, and the wide deployment of his firing units among the small islands.



His leadership, professional competence, and ingenuity, as a soldier and as an artilleryman, were a source of inspiration to his associates and subordinates alike.

One thing I shall never forget was Rex's ability to understand the problems of those who served with and under him, particularly during these difficult war years. The compassion he displayed in handling the individual problems of his soldiers and officers contributed greatly to the esprit and morale of his command, which was always of the highest.

In January 1946 Rex returned to the United States and culminated his long and brilliant career with an assignment as the Artillery Officer for the Fourth Army. He was retired in San Antonio on 31 July 1947, for a physical disability resulting from his service in the Pacific.

Rex never slowed down, and during his later years had considerable trouble with his heart, a condition which he tried to ignore and which he tried to hide from his wife. Finally, he suffered a very severe attack and was admitted to Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Curiously enough, in his final treatment, the doctors there initiated some new and ingenious techniques for recording and watching over the actions of the heart. I talked to Rex just before he died and, characteristically, he was thoroughly wrapped up in this new type of equipment which surrounded him. Rex died on 6 September 1964 and was buried in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery at San Antonio on 9 September 1964.

In addition to his wife, Anne Page, Rex is survived by his son, Major Robert P. Chandler and his daughter, Mrs. Anne C. Rublee. Also surviving are nine grandchildren, a brother, O. William Chandler of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a sister, Mrs. Carl Madsen of Geneva, Ohio.

The world is much better for having been blessed for a short while with our "human engineer," Rex Eugene Chandler, but it is a sadder one for its loss.

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Victor Allen Conrad

NO. 7271 CLASS OF 1924

Died 7 December 1964 at Los Altos, California, aged 64 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

VICTOR ALLEN CONRAD DIED suddenly at his home in Los Altos, California, on 7 December 1964. He had developed a heart condition several years earlier but had made a remarkable recovery. Until a few weeks prior to his death he was technical advisor to the president of Varian Associates. Martha and Vic had driven from Los Altos to Carmel to visit with Nelle and me during the latter part of August and we shall cherish that occasion. At that time Vic looked the picture of health and was looking forward to retirement and relaxation in the near future. Burial with full military honors was in Arlington National Cemetery on 11 December.

Vic was born in Hammond, Wisconsin, on 21 October 1900. He attended the public schools there and graduated from Hammond High School in 1916. He attended St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, for one year and was appointed to the United States Military Academy in 1920, graduating with the Thundering Herd in 1924.

Vic was commissioned in the Signal Corps and assigned to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, for his first duty. Following graduation from the Signal Corps School in 1926, he attended Yale University where he acquired a master of science degree in communications engineering. The Army Signal School asked for his return as an instructor, and it was there that Vic's star began to shine. His natural brilliance and willingness to work hard, reinforced by his postgraduate work, provided him with an excellent background for his new assignment.

I had heard of Vic's reputation long before I attended the Signal School as a student. His former students commented on the fact that Vic never came to class unprepared; nor was he ever too busy to discuss class work or answer questions even to the point of giving extra instruction to those who needed a lift.

Maj. Gen. George L. Van Deusen, Ret., Commandant of the Signal School at the time, says of Vic: "I had the privilege of knowing him when, as a second lieutenant, he instructed classes in the Officers' Department of our Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth. Although nearly all of his students were senior to him in age and grade, he was the best-liked instructor in our school as well as one of the most efficient. He continued this admirable record throughout his service, leaving an outstanding reputation for competence and integrity."

In 1928 Vic married Martha Catherine O'Leary, a girl from his home town. Four children and seventeen grandchildren survive. His two sons graduated from West Point: Michael J., in the Class of 1956, and Donald H. in the Class of 1963. Both chose the Infantry. The older daughter, Martha Catherine, is the wife of Major John R. Rogers, U.S. Air Force, and the younger daughter, Mary Ellen, is married to Major Richard V. McGarey, Army Signal Corps. Vic is also survived by three brothers and two sisters.

The roots of our friendship began at West Point and grew while we were stationed together at Fort Monmouth. However, it was not until many years later that I came to know the real Vic. He was assigned to the Signal Section of Allied Force Headquarters in Algiers in 1943 and because of our respective responsibilities, we were in close daily contact. Vic was directly responsible for all telephone communications in Algiers and the immediate area as well as for the long-distance system of North Africa, a conglomerate, and a thankless job if ever I saw one. For over a year, hardly a day passed that Vic was not summoned to headquarters for a detailed personal report or to attend one of the frequent conferences. He was a tireless worker and, one might say, conscientious to a fault. I frequently found it necessary to call his office long after normal duty hours, and if anyone other than the duty officer answered the telephone it would invariably be Vic.

—VICTOR ALLEN CONRAD

James Willis, a fellow classmate who probably was closer to Vic than most of us, has written: "When I learned of Vic Conrad's death, the sadness I felt was more than grief for the loss of a friend. I had a profound sense of having lost one of my favorite people. I did not know Vic while we were cadets except as a classmate in another company, but we were both assigned to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, as our first duty station. From then on, for 40 years, Vic was one of the people with whom I kept in touch, and I always saw Vic whenever I could. After his marriage to Martha, she likewise became a beloved friend of my wife and myself. During and after World War II we were again stationed together for several years, and I always enjoyed Vic's quiet humor and appreciated his solid dependability.

"During my last assignment on active duty, in command of the Signal Supply Agency, Vic was my boss as Chief of Procurement Distribution Division in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer. Here I found his direction sound and patient, and I could always count on his support. I shall always remember Vic as I last saw him, at our 40th Class Reunion in June 1964."

After many key assignments, including duty in the Office of the Chief Signal Offi-

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cer, in the Philippines, and with the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Vic became the commanding general of Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, his first post as a young lieutenant in 1924. His last assignment before retirement early in 1960 was at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) as Chief Signal Officer. His decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster.

A classmate, George B. Finnegan Jr., has written this fitting epitaph: "The great and almost unique thing about Vic Conrad was his quality of great kindliness mixed with great strength. He embodied the grace of true Christian charity so completely. All his life he wore so well that mantle of charity to the joy of his family, his friends, and all who knew him."

—Emil Lenzner

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George Anthony Bicher

NO. 7308 CLASS OF 1924

Died 6 January 1949 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 46 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

QUITE CONSCIOUSLY, GEORGE A. BICHER forsook the normal ambitions and exultations of the West Point graduate of becoming the flamboyant combat commander, key general staff officer, or colorful soldier. Just prior to World War II, George had found his forte in the field of signal intelligence. He then had the unique background for the development of outstanding competence in the new fields of cryptography, signal security and sophisticated communications analysis, and for utilizing them effectively for military intelligence. This he undertook entirely in a sense of duty, knowing that it would entail both a personal and career sacrifice. It was emblematic that he was one of those truly great soldiers who was so dedicated to his professional service that he would willingly accept self-effacement and anonymity if it were his duty to do so. This trait of character becomes even more noble and unusual when one recalls the emotions and spirit of military hero-worship which sweeps our country only in time of war.

His Signal Intelligence Division of Headquarters European Theatre of Operations produced military intelligence prior to and during the Channel crossings and throughout all subsequent operations of our forces in Western Europe. Fortunately, George had the personality for understanding and for maintaining close cooperation with our Allies, a factor which, when added to his own and his section's efforts, served not only to reduce American casualties but also to increase our own tactical successes and those of our Allies. But Fate was about to intervene in George's promising career.

Returning to the United States soon after VE-Day, George was given a key role in the incorporation of these modern signal intelligence activities into the U.S. Army. But, weakened by the years of exhaustive work in Europe, he soon fell victim to the most serious of illnesses. For almost two years he suffered a succession of distressing illnesses and operations. Finally, at the early age of 46, he succumbed in 1949.

The cruel and harsh demands of his peculiar World War II duties had thus deprived his wife of this exemplary and devoted husband, his sons of their family leader, his friends and associates of one who embodied the sincerest and deepest instincts of comradeship, and our Army of one of its most valuable officers.

George was born and reared in Hackensack, New Jersey, and attended the local high school before his admission to the Academy. Although he entered quite young, George was blessed with a fine mind, and graduated high in his Class without great effort. As a cadet he made warm friendships and in his athletic efforts proved to be most successful in rifle marksmanship and gymnastics. He exhibited an unusual wanderlust by traveling in Europe during his cadet furlough and by visiting Haiti on his graduation leave. Earlier, before entering the Academy, he had worked his way to Europe as an oiler in the engine room of an ocean liner.

Carrying out his cadet plans, George's first assignment after graduation was at Brooks Field, Texas—for pilot training. There he exhibited flying characteristics that could not be overcome with the flying instruction methods of that time so he "washed out" and was assigned to the Signal Company of the 2d Infantry Division at Fort Sam Houston. This proved to be his most fruitful assignment, personally, for it was here that he met and married Mary Nourse of Eagle Pass, Texas. Their marriage was an ideal one. They had two sons, George A. Jr., and William Nourse, both of whom graduated from the Academy, George in '51, and William in '58. Both have continued in the Service and have proven worthy sons and officers.

—GEORGE ANTHONY BICHER

George's Signal service with a tactical unit so early in his career was to provide a base upon which he would build a military specialty which was to prove of very great value in our Army's future, and most importantly, in modernizing our use of signal intelligence. Subsequent tactical and scientific training prepared him for service during World War II as Director of Signal Intelligence, Headquarters ETOUSA.

George's first foreign service tour was with the 12th Signal Company at Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands in 1926. Here, again, he added to his tactical background. Next, he attended the Signal School in 1929-1930 and thereafter served one year at the Boston Army Base. Then came a long, productive, and happy 5-year tour with the ROTC at Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he added still further to his technical and scientific skills and knowledge. From M.I.T. he left to gain tactical appreciation as a communications officer in Texas where the "proposed infantry division" was being tested.

In 1937 George received the assignment which was to determine, definitely, his specialty and his future military career—as a student at the Cryptographic and Signal Intelligence School, Washington, D. C. He was also to remain for two years as an instructor at that school. This combination of tactical, academic, and scientific training was especially noteworthy and was to pay handsome dividends later.

During the fall of 1940, George began a tour in Hawaii which was to be interrupted by the attack on Pearl Harbor. Soon thereafter he was ordered to the Signal Section of ETOUSA and was immediately assigned to work in connection with signal intelligence, a duty which was to lead ultimately to the position of Director of Signal Intelligence, Headquarters ETOUSA, the job he held up to VE-Day. It would be difficult to exaggerate the importance of this work during the landings in France, the breakouts, and the advances toward Germany. The collection of this type of intelligence, its analysis, and its timely dissemination to combat commanders required skills and knowledge of the highest order, and the volume and intensity of work could have been physically overwhelming. Rewards and public recognition were impossible, but the dedicated work of the men involved added materially to the defeat of the German armies on the Western Front.

It was logical that George's first post-World War II assignment would be in a key position organizing and establishing the Army Security Agency at Arlington Hall, Virginia. With his unique technical experience and background, George went to work with his characteristic thoroughness and became the deputy director. Again, maximum secrecy was of the greatest importance. But, when George should have been receiving the rewards and recognition for his most valuable services, and enjoying some hard-earned rest with his family and friends, his sun began to set. He was stricken by a long and fatal illness accompanied by several serious operations. After almost two years George died at Walter Reed Hospital in January 1949.

Because of the nature of his military specialty, George A. Bicher never has and probably never will receive anything approaching appropriate recognition for his outstanding military accomplishments. To George, this would not have been of great importance, but it is very important that his wife and his Army officer sons and friends should be fully aware of the very great military services George Bicher did perform for his country.

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Eleazar Parmly III

NO. 7430 CLASS OF 1924

Died 20 August 1964 at West Point, New York, aged 61 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

ELEAZAR PARMLY III was born 13 January 1903, in Bala, Pennsylvania. From early childhood Zar Parmly showed a marked interest not only in art but in a military career. As a cadet in the Hyde Park High School in Chicago, he was made a company commander, and his marks were high enough to enable him to enter West Point on a "dog ticket," as he had a principal appointment

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from his district. He reported in as a new cadet in July of 1920.

As a Plebe, Zar demonstrated his artistic ability by designing the class crest for the Class of 1924. This led to work on other media such as hop cards for upperclassmen; and the HOWITZERS of the period 1921-24 are full of his drawings. He was art editor of the 1924 HOWITZER, and the first art editor of *The Pointer*, published for the first time in September 1923. Thus Zar began the art work that was to play such a great role in his career.

Shortly after graduation he married Marie Dorethe Heiberg. They had two sons, both West Point graduates, one in the Class of 1946, the other in the Class of 1950, and a daughter who married a graduate of the Class of 1954. Their grandchildren total eleven, seven girls and four boys.

Zar's chosen branch was Artillery, but wherever he went in the Army he had occasion to use his artistic talent. At his first station he was placed in charge of *Hoof Prints*, the post bi-monthly paper at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., and in this capacity was a contributing writer as well as artist. At Fort Sill, his second station, after completing a year at the Battery Officers Course, he was assigned to the Artillery school as an illustrator of the Artillery's "Red Books."

He never missed an opportunity to further his art studies. In 1931, while on furlough in Chicago, he attended water color classes at the Academy of Fine Arts and took private lessons in oils from the famous portrait painter Allen St. John. This widened Zar's field of portraiture and later, of murals.

During his four years at Sill, he had many orders for his art work, from designs for wrought-iron fireplace screens to pastels of dogs, horses, men, women, and children, to silhouettes for lamp shades. His contribution to the museum there is a series of famous Indians done in pastels.

From Sill, Zar went to Schofield Barracks where he had an extracurricular job on the Honolulu *Advertiser* covering all sports events in words and pictures. He also did two silhouette murals, one in full color in oils for the post theater. It was here that he branched out into a new field, architecture, when he redesigned the entire plant for a merchant outside the post gates.

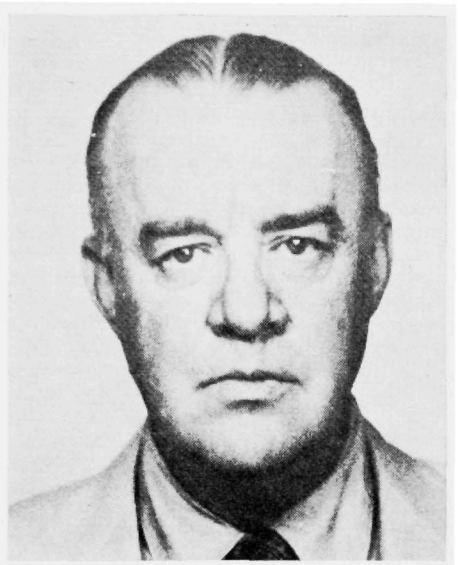
Zar's next four years, 1936-40, spent as an English instructor at West Point, were so full academically that he had little time for painting, especially when, at mid-term, a shortage of instructors in descriptive geometry developed. He was given a two-day headstart on the Yearlings and for a semester taught a subject he had never even had as a cadet. Later, he did illustrate the football programs for one season. At the annual art shows, however, he exhibited examples of his work in pastels, water colors, oils, and pen and ink.

His return to troops and his beloved 7th Field Artillery at Fort Ethan Allen in 1940 was a happy occasion. This was the outfit he had joined as a shavetail, fresh out of the Point, but his joy was short-lived. In January 1941 the post was closed, and the troops were moved to Fort Devens, Mass. War was imminent; promotions were rapid. Zar became lieutenant colonel and was named to command the 7th in 1942, only to have to relinquish his command after two weeks. He was sent as Chief of Officers' Section, Personnel Division, of the Replacement and School Command in Birmingham, Ala. How he had longed to take his outfit into battle—and the 7th did see plenty of action!

Reassignments now came fast. At Camp Howze, Tex., he was assistant chief of staff, G1; he was S3, 86th Division Artillery; and for a short time he was executive officer of the 333d FA Group, Camp Gruber, Okla. Next, he went to the Pentagon for a tour in the Training Doctrine Branch, Military Training Division, and was later named deputy director, Training Requirements Division. While in this latter assignment a cervical disc operation on his upper spine became necessary, resulting in a "limited service" notation on his record. Still, Zar managed to talk his way to the Pacific Theatre in July 1945 and served as assistant chief of staff and as I&E officer of Base X, AFWESPAC, until January 1946.

After VJ-Day he was placed in charge of the University of the Philippines, 500 volunteer teachers, and the 9,000 students who were awaiting travel orders for home. It was Zar's last military assignment. He was returned for medical treatment to Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, and was subsequently retired for physical disability in June 1947.

He spent his next three years as a student



—ELEAZAR PARMLY III

at the San Antonio Art Institute, graduating in 1950. A trip east for his second son's West Point graduation stirred anew the germ of an idea he had always had: to write a book about the Academy from the cadets' point of view. So, up came the Texas roots. The task of writing *Mr. Ducrot* was begun and finished with copious illustrations. This 12,000-word history was never published; "too limited in reader appeal" was the general rejection comment.

Then came a two-and-one-half-year tour with the CIA which made one thing clear to Zar—retirement was for him!

On a visit to Colorado Springs he was persuaded to enter the overcrowded real estate field, and he had one fortunate sale. He had located a beautiful lakes area, and when he was able to interest the Air Force Academy in it, he spent the next two years locating a buyer who would be willing to give it as a memorial recreation area to the Academy. It proved to be a successful search, but Zar decided to move back to his family's pre-Revolutionary War farmhouse in Fairfield, Conn.

Retirement now sat heavily on his shoulders, but with so much to offer, Zar soon accepted a position as a technical writer and illustrator in the military engineering department of the Singer Manufacturing Co., in Bridgeport. He worked here for two and a half years only to have the plant close for lack of government orders. Now, he became a cartographer for the Greater Bridgeport Planning Agency; he assisted in making a survey for regional fall-out shelters conducted by Sherwood, Mills, and Smith of Stamford; and was employed, part-time, for over two years by Research for Management, Inc., taking opinion surveys for such nationally known clients as General Electric, Dow Chemical, and Eastman Kodak.

During his time at Singer, Zar had recognized the need for a better textbook on the writing of technical manuals for the lay reader. He located and interested a publisher who put him under contract, and he immediately began this very exacting task. Since there is no advance for the writer of a textbook, Zar took a position as supervisor of technical illustrating with the Dictaphone Corporation. This "moonlighting" work proved to be too much of a drain on his health. He was found to be diabetic and left Dictaphone in April 1963.

After a year's hard work on his new textbook, a series of unfortunate circumstances involving his publishers resulted in rejection of his manuscript. His second major writing effort was never published.

This last discouraging blow could well have been the major contributing factor to his failing health because he never fully recovered after that.

He then tried to interest the Officers Club at West Point in commissioning him to paint a mural for the wall over the doors to the new ballroom, and seven additional portraits to hang in the main bar. Before these projects became a reality, he rejoined Singer as a technical writer and illustrator, but was forced to resign after only three months because of ill health.

That same month, April 1964, the USMA Association of Graduates asked Zar to design a Sylvanus Thayer commemorative plate. Then followed the longed-for contract to execute the mural and the portraits for the West Point Army Mess. After completing the Thayer plate design he was forced to re-enter the hospital in the middle of June. This plate design, a "cartoon" of his projected mural, and two sketches in color of the portraits he planned, were all he was able to manage. He could do no more.

An exploratory operation on 6 August uncovered an inoperable carcinoma of the pancreas. It was a blessing that the Lord took him in two weeks, for he would never have been able to paint again.

May the Thayer Plate stand as Zar's memorial. His fondest wish was to leave his "mark" on the hallowed walls of the West Point he loved so well.

—His wife

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Francis Robert Stevens

NO. 7508 CLASS OF 1924

KIA New Guinea 9 June 1942, aged 39 years.

ON JUNE 9, 1942, a group of B-26 Marauders attacked the formidable Japanese air base at Lae. One of the Marauders, *The Wabash Cannonball*, was shot down with the loss of the entire crew and an observer from the War Department General Staff. The observer was Lieutenant Colonel Francis Robert Stevens. The death of Stevens instead of the Lieutenant Commander, USNR, whose seat he had pre-empted, was destined to change

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the future history of the United States and therefore of the world. But that is the end of the story. Let's start at the beginning.

Francis Robert Stevens was born in the town of Clear Creek, Alabama, on January 1, 1903. As a small child, he moved with his family to Mississippi where he was educated in the McComb grammar school and high school. His mother, who was determined that Steve should continue his education, had managed to get him a principal appointment to the United States Military Academy from the 7th District of Mississippi. She knew nothing about the Academy nor did Steve. If he had been required to take an entrance examination, he would have almost certainly failed across the board, for in addition to other inadequacies in his education, Steve had elected not to take mathematics in high school. His total mathematical underpinning was simple arithmetic.

No one in the Class of 1924 will ever know how he managed to survive those first six months academically. He was turned out in every subject, but to the astonishment of

—Francis Robert Stevens

his classmates, he eked out the minimum passing grade in each. Perhaps Steve could not fail because, like every man, he had his particular "Appointment in Samara" and to keep that appointment, he would have to graduate with the Class of 1924 and wear the uniform of an officer of the United States Army.

And so on June 12, 1924, Steve took his commission as a second lieutenant and was assigned to Brooks Field, Texas, for flight training. After a few solo flights, he was washed out under the catchall phrase "lack of inherent flying ability." He was transferred to the 23d Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas in March 1925. There he met, courted, and married Marguerite Buist Dick which turned out to be one of those story-book marriages so often read about but so seldom seen.

Steve's career settled into the routine of the neglected and forgotten Army of the 1920's and 1930's—the 33d Infantry in the Canal Zone; the Company Officer's Course at The Infantry School; Paris, France, as Conducting Officer, American Pilgrimage of Gold Star Mothers and Widows; Tactical Officer and Assistant Adjutant at the Academy; the Command and General Staff School; the 21st Infantry in Hawaii; and then, in 1941, to the War Department General Staff as a member of the prestigious Operations Division.

Although this was one of the darkest periods for the Army, where there was little opportunity for any officer, junior or senior, to distinguish himself, Steve's quick mind, fine judgment, dry wit, and radiant personality had attracted the attention of many of those officers whose names would echo like thunder over the great battle areas of the Second World War. Steve was clearly marked for rapid advancement once the drums of war began the long roll. And the drumheads were being tightened.

Shortly after Pearl Harbor, Steve was given the critical Southwest Pacific Desk for Army activities. His colleague for Air was Colonel Samuel Anderson who would later wear four stars. On May 4, these two friends left Washington on a top priority trip for a detailed survey of the conditions in this tortured theatre. They were to report back in person to General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.

Steve's promotion to colonel reached Hawaii several hours after his departure. It would never catch up with him. Later, General Marshall was to say that Steve was slated for promotion to general officer rank almost immediately after his return.

The trip was arduous. Despite the urgency of their mission and the top priority carried by Steve and Anderson, transportation was makeshift and often nonexistent. Delay piled on top of delay. During one tedious wait in Noumea, New Caledonia, these two officers met a third man—a young reserve lieutenant commander in the Navy—whose mission corresponded almost exactly with theirs, except that the commander's assignment came directly from the President of the United States. The three became friends at once and forthwith decided to make the rest of the trip together.

On the morning of June 9, these three friends landed at Seven-Mile Air Strip in New Guinea, the advance base of the 22d Bomb Group. There they were met by the base commander and the group commander and taken at once to the flight line where the B-26 Marauders, armed and fueled, were waiting to take off on a raid against Lae.

The lieutenant commander found a seat available on *The Wabash Cannonball* and climbed aboard while the rest of the party moved down the line. A moment later, he climbed out to retrieve his camera. When he returned, he found that Steve had taken his seat. He pointed this out, but Steve merely grinned and told him that he would have to find another vacant seat. And so, Lieutenant Commander Lyndon Baines Johnson, USNR, climbed out of *The Wabash Cannonball*, out of the waiting arms of death, and walked to *The Heckling Hare* and into history.

An hour later, the great Japanese ace, Saburo Saki, sent *The Wabash Cannonball* plunging to destruction in the sea off Lae. Steve had fulfilled his destiny. Lyndon Baines Johnson would fulfill his as the 36th President of the United States.

In retrospect, it is obvious that Steve's death was freighted with more meaning than any other single death in that great war, for it altered the very course of history.

May the waters of the sea rest lightly on him.

—C. T. Lanham
Major General, USA, Ret.

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James Edgar Macklin

NO. 7512 CLASS OF 1924

Died 22 June 1942 at POW Camp Cabanatuan, Philippine Islands, aged 41 years.

Jim was an Army brat. He was born on 8 September 1900 in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the son of Captain Edward A. Macklin and grandson of General James E. Macklin for whom he was named.

In his younger days he followed his father to such places as the Philippines, Texas, Arizona and the state of Washington. Upon his father's death, Jim moved to Kansas City with his mother, graduating from high school in 1918 and almost immediately enlisting in the Tank Corps. On 1 July 1920 he joined the Thundering Herd, the Class of 1924.

As a cadet, Jim was mature, quiet, sincere, and able. Above all, he liked people. Blessed with a pleasing personality, a keen sense of humor and a happy spirit, he made a place for himself in the hearts of his fellow cadets.

—James Edgar Macklin

He didn't want academic stars or chevrons. He considered friendships far more valuable than honors. He wanted to be a good soldier. This he was.

On graduation, Jim chose the Tanks. Toward the end of graduation leave, he married Margaret (Peg) Eulass and brought her to his first station, Camp Meade, Maryland. Here Jim Jr., joined the family. In 1927 the Macklins moved to Fort Benning, Georgia, and Jim, after graduating from the Infantry School, served in the 1st Tank Regiment. A second son, Bob, was born at this station. Three years later, Jim transferred to the Quartermaster Corps and went to Hawaii as Commander, Quartermaster Detachment. Upon his return to the States in 1934, he commanded the Randolph Field, Texas, Quartermaster Detachment, and in 1935 attended the Quartermaster Subsistence School in Chicago, Illinois. From 1936 to 1939, he was assistant commandant of the School for Bakers and Cooks at Fort Devens, Massachusetts. From that post, he was ordered to the Philippines where he commanded the Cooks and Bakers School and the Quartermaster Detachment at Fort McKinley. With combat imminent, Jim requested transfer back to Armor but no action could be taken prior to hostilities.

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Early in 1941, as the war clouds grew blacker over the Philippines, Jim said good-by to his wife and two young sons. At the time war began, Jim was assigned to the Port Area in Manila, eventually moving to Bataan where he operated a Supply Point until the fall of Bataan. He was declared "Missing in Action" in 1942, and "Missing in Action-Presumed Dead" in 1944. Later, it was determined that he had survived the Death March but died on 22 June 1942 in the Camp Cabanatuan Prisoner of War Camp. One of his last acts was to pass his class ring to a classmate who was being shipped to another prisoner of war camp in Manchuria. Unfortunately this ship was sunk by our own aircraft and the classmate was lost.

Jim's widow, Peg, died on 17 April 1961 at Mt. Shasta, California. He is survived by his two sons, Lt. Col. James E. Macklin Jr., JAGC (Class of '48) and Major Robert E. Macklin, Infantry (Class of '51), and by six grandchildren. The latter are son James's two daughters, Mary Margaret and Melissa Marion, and son, another James E. Macklin; and son Robert's two daughters, Mildred Hildegard and Linda Margaret, and son Robert E. Jr.

Our Jim would be proud of all of them.

—*R.E.N.*

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William Wallace Cornog Jr.

NO. 7589 CLASS OF 1924

Killed in Action 10 August 1944 at Juvigny, France, aged 42 years.

Interment: Lavonia Cemetery, Lavonia, Georgia

WILLIAM W. CORNOG WAS the *beau idéal* of the modern military romanticist. He was a handsome, physical giant (more than six feet tall, weighing some 230 pounds) and a fine athlete, especially good at polo. He was agreeable, easy to get along with, jolly, humorous, generous, an extrovert, and a good money-manager with an especially wide circle of men and women friends. Unusually conscientious in his attention to duty, but not disagreeably so, he was professionally competent and confident, respected, trusted, and liked by his military colleagues.

Even the final scenes of his life were laid in a romantic setting. During the severest fighting after the Channel crossings, Jug was hit by enemy artillery fire as he was issuing attack orders to his assembled battalion commanders. Obviously mortally wounded, and surrounded by his shocked and grieved officers, Jug asked that his boots be unlaced because of the pain but insisted that they not be taken off. He died a highly respected combat soldier who had deliberately sought such dangerous duties. He died quietly and without emotion as the brave, confident, and capable soldier he was, respected by those who knew him, and leaving no widow or children nor living parents to grieve and suffer because of his death.

Bill Cornog entered the Academy from the not-too-large town of Lavonia in northeast Georgia. His people were natives of that part of the state and of nearby South Carolina. Bill's father was a respected doctor and a longtime town mayor who had served as an Army medical officer in World War I and had remained in the Reserves thereafter. His paternal grandfather had been an officer in the Confederate army.

After graduation from Lavonia High School, Bill, like his father, went to North Georgia College at Dahlonega, and after two years there, he entered the Academy. His was a more or less normal career as a cadet. Although he was somewhat younger than the class average, he did especially well at football and wrestling. As a First Classman he started singing in the cadet choir and for the remainder of his life never missed an opportunity to sing. He just plain liked to sing, a talent he inherited from his mother who majored in voice and piano at Brenau College.

In retrospect, one must realize that Bill had all the latent qualities of real excellence which later ripened and blossomed with maturity and experience. He took great pride in being a "small Southern-town boy" from Lavonia, and he returned there frequently for visits with his five sisters and his many boyhood friends.

His first assignment, at Fort Benning, was with the 24th Infantry, then one of our Army's two all-Negro regiments, and it lasted for four years. Seeing many of his classmates taking part in exercises and demonstrations for the Infantry School, Jug, as he was popularly known, on his own initiative, transferred to the 29th Infantry and the 15th Tank Battalion, before going to the Infantry School in 1928-29.

—WILLIAM WALLACE CORNOG JR.

His first overseas tour then followed—a 3-year assignment with the 15th Infantry in Tientsin, China. This tour was probably the most significant in maturing Jug physically, mentally, and professionally. He lived a very happy life, keeping house in the grand style with two or three fellow bachelor officers. He was a hospitable host to his many visitors; he traveled widely throughout China; and he developed into an outstanding polo player. He played back, No. 4, and could hit a ball a country mile. He filled his house with Chinese rugs which he bought for his sisters, friends, and himself. Typical of his good nature and his willingness to help his friends, Jug once agreed to "take the sword" for me, should my wife have her baby during my tour as officer of the day. She did! And he did!

After China, Jug reported for duty at Fort Hamilton in January 1933. By then he had become "Jug" to all his service friends although he was still Bill to those of his boyhood. This tour was a short one, but Jug managed to mix polo, CCC duty, and the big city into an agreeable life. While at Hamilton, Jug permitted the Chief of Infantry to talk or pressure him into a transfer as PMS&T at Bailey Military Academy in South Carolina, the Chief's home state. Professionally, it was a letdown, but Jug took it good-naturedly and like a soldier. Unfortunately, a large fire occurred at the school soon afterwards, and Jug, characteristically, was quick to disclaim to his friends, any responsibility for arson. Such natural and unaffected good humor was his way.

In 1936, he started a 5-year tour at Benning. The first year he was a student in the tank course; then followed service as commander of both light and medium tank companies. Thus he became a superbly well-balanced Infantry-tank officer. These years were probably the happiest years of a very happy life. Professionally, his duties could not have been more fruitful. Socially, he had a wide circle of close and devoted friends. In polo, his handicap was raised to 4 goals which was unusually high for an Infantry officer. And to top it off, he attended the Command and General Staff course at Fort Leavenworth in 1941.

The advent of lend-lease aid and the establishment of our military missions abroad produced the next assignment. It was in Egypt, supervising the delivery of American tank equipment to the British forces then reeling from the attacks of Rommel in North Africa. Jug was placed in command of a tank school, conducted on the assembly-line principle for teaching masses of British troops how to operate and maintain American equipment. Jug had the experience and the know-how to do such a job in a superior manner. Just to make doubly sure of his knowledge, he went into battle with the British even though we were not yet in the war at the time. For handling this big and important job he was decorated by the British government.

Next came a similar job in the Persian Gulf Command. This time the school was near Baghdad, Iraq, and the students were Russian. Jug demonstrated not only tank matters but also the way Americans harmonize in song. Reportedly, the song-fuel transition from Georgia corn to vodka made little noticeable change in his vocalizing.

The tank job in the Middle East finished, Jug was ordered back to the United States and reported in to Camp Campbell in January 1943. In comparison with the tours just completed, the following year and a half was a period of drab service. He fumed and fretted, first as commander of the 20th Armored Regiment, and later of Combat Command "B" of the 20th Armored Division. Things were as dull as a plantation barnyard on a Sunday afternoon. He became thoroughly frustrated and impatient. Finally, he made it! He managed to have himself shipped as a casual to England in June 1944 and there proceeded to go from headquarters to headquarters on both sides of the Channel looking for a combat job. Again, by perseverance, he made it. On 18 July 1944 he was assigned to command the 36th Armored Regiment of the 3d Armored Division, then in violent combat in France. Jug was a perfect fit for that job.

An old, close friend and fellow regimental commander in the 3d Armored Division wrote the following:

"Cornog had the regiment in the St. Lo breakthrough (July 26-29) and several other very tough scraps to the west of St. Lo that followed the St. Lo offensive action by our forces. (Jug was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for one of these.)

"On August 7, 1944, a very powerful Ger-

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man offensive was launched in the vicinity of Mortain, Normandy. The final objective in this German drive was Avranches on the west coast of France. The 3d Armored Division happened to be in the area northwest of Mortain which was in the path of the thrust. The 120th Infantry Regiment of the 30th Infantry Division was driven out of Mortain, and the attack of the Krauts continued in the direction of the town of Le Mesmil Tove. At 0730 on August 7, 1944, CCB 3d Armored Division was attached to the 30th Division and was divided into four task forces. Cornog was given command of Task Force 2 with Juvigny as his objective. Our forces were attached to the 119th Infantry, 30th Division, for this operation. The Germans had thrown in some of their best armored units, and the going was exceedingly tough and the casualties were heavy.

"On the afternoon of August 9, 1944, I met Jug at the entrance of a dugout. I recall asking, 'Jug, how are things going over your way?' And Jug, who was generally a happy sort of guy, replied, 'Damned tough.' That was the last I saw of Jug.

"Later I gathered this information: Upon Cornog's return to his task force, he assembled several of his officers in a stone farmhouse to go over the situation. One well-placed German artillery shell struck the farmhouse, killing Colonel Cornog."

Another colleague, also nearby at the time, wrote: "Colonel Cornog was hit directly in the chest or stomach with a large shell. This huge, strong, and powerful man lay on the ground by his Jeep—still conscious—and his last words were 'loosen my boots, they feel too tight.' Then he died."

Thus ended the life of William W. Cornog —killed in action less than a month after joining his regiment—a credit to his family and to West Point.

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George Hobart Chapman Jr.

NO. 9693 CLASS OF 1933

Died 23 December 1964 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 53 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

IT IS WITH A HEAVY HEART that I write the obituary of George Hobart Chapman, one of the finest representatives of the Class of 1933. It is not an easy nor a pleasant task to perform this duty for such an old and dear friend.

George was born in Evanston, Wyoming, on 18 February 1911. His father was an up-and-coming civil engineer, and his mother was the daughter of the distinguished, late United States Senator from Wyoming and Mrs. C.D. Clark. He lived in Wyoming until his mother died in 1919. Following this tragedy, George went to Boston where he lived with relatives until he entered Bordentown Military Institute in 1922. There he remained until he graduated and entered West Point in 1929. At Bordentown, he won the distinction of being appointed the senior cadet officer, and, upon graduation, received the Commandant's Prize, the highest military award at Bordentown, and the American Legion Excellent Medal.

West Point was not difficult for George. In fact, he seemed to enjoy every minute of it. One might say he "breezed through" and finished in the top third of the Class. He never worried about academics or military discipline, for he was always highly proficient in both.

George chose the Infantry as his basic branch. Shortly after graduation he married his cadet sweetheart, Helen Todd of Newburgh, and they went to Fort Devens together for their first post. After three years at Devens, they arrived at Fort Benning for the regular Infantry Officers Course with two-year-old Mimi, a beautiful child. In the fall of 1936, son Don was born at the Fort Benning Hospital. Much to Helen's disgust, George broke his leg that night while celebrating this happy event.

After Benning came Fort Jay, and then in 1939, Hawaii, where he was assigned to the 19th Infantry (The Rock of Chickamauga). This regiment was to be his home for many years, and without leaving it, he rose from 1st Lieutenant to distinguish himself in combat as colonel and commander of the regiment.

On 7 December 1941, George's machine guns, mounted on the top of the 19th Infantry barracks, were credited with bringing the first automatic fire in Schofield to bear upon the Japanese planes that day.

—GEORGE HOBART CHAPMAN JR.

Helen and the children were evacuated to Newburgh where they remained for the duration while George went along with the 24th Division to Australia and then to New Guinea. His regiment's first big action, at Hollandia, in April 1944, was most successful. In August, George was given command of the regiment and led it into Leyte in the Philippines in October. The 19th Infantry was one of the assault regiments in this landing. Leyte was a hard, tough, slugging, muddy campaign. George's regiment spearheaded the attack through Leyte Valley to Carrigara, killing hundreds of Japanese while suffering slight losses of their own.

Early in December, the 19th Infantry was pulled out and became the nucleus of a task force for the Mindoro Operation. This operation was particularly sensitive since it penetrated deep into unknown enemy territory in an effort to establish a foothold for the big attack which was to follow against Luzon. The Mindoro Task Force was heavily hit with kamikazes, and many high-ranking officers were killed and wounded. Among the wounded was General William C. Dunckel, the Task Force Commander. He continued in command, however, but had to rely heavily on George as his next senior commander throughout the critical phases of this operation.

George received the Silver Star for his fighting on Leyte, and an Oak Leaf Cluster for the action on Mindoro.

It was typical of George and his devotion to his fighting men that at one time he was offered a promotion to colonel if he would take a staff job at higher headquarters. He refused to do so stating that he would rather stay in the 19th Infantry as a lieutenant colonel than be a colonel in the rear area.

George was rotated to the United States in the spring of 1945 and was assigned to the G3 section of Army Ground Forces. Following that tour he was assigned as a student at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth; returned for duty in Washington with the Intelligence Division; and went to Norfolk, first as a student, and later as an instructor at the Armed Forces Staff College.

After completing the 1952-53 course at the National War College, George was sent to Brazil as head of the Army Section, U.S. Military Mission to Brazil, at the Escola Superior de Guerra (Brazilian National War College).

After Brazil, George returned again to Washington where he served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. During this period, Mimi was married and Don entered West Point. It was then that he built his dream house on Whites Ferry Road, just west of Poolesville in Maryland. He settled Helen there in 1959 and went to Korea as Deputy Chief of Staff and Chief of Staff of Headquarters, I Corps (Group).

On leaving Korea, he rejoined Helen in the States and saw Don graduate from West Point and get married. Helen and George then went to Europe for a wonderful three-year tour in Oberammergau where he was commandant of the European School Command.

George retired in the summer of 1963, and he and Helen moved into their beloved Maryland home. The summer and fall were spent in getting the house in shape again, their furniture installed, and attending to the many chores of farm living. George was very enthusiastic about everything and his projects were endless. He planted the lawn, added shrubbery and fruit trees, and enjoyed his carpentry work shop. At Christmas they traveled to New Orleans to visit Mimi and her family, and in January they visited Helen's sister and brother-in-law in Florida.

In the middle of February 1964, George fell sick and later that same month an operation at Walter Reed revealed that he had a malignant brain tumor. He recovered from the operation in a miraculous fashion and seemed his usual self until late October when he was again taken sick. He died in Walter Reed Hospital on 23 December 1964.

In accordance with his wishes, George was buried at West Point, on 28 December 1964. In addition to the members of his family who were located close by, his father and stepmother came from Wyoming, his brother from Alaska, his daughter and family from New Orleans.

The Army Chief of Staff, Johnny Johnson, led the delegation of the Class of 1933 to West Point for the sad occasion.

Other classmates attending were: Ed Doleman, Oscar Senter, Dave Gibbs, Fritz Hartel, Steve Fuqua, Roy Reynolds, Milt Summerfelt, Russ Broshous, Johnny Watters, and Pat Guiney. Bill Verbeck, an old fighting companion from World War II days, went up from Washington, and Mrs. Todd, George's mother-in-law whom he always loved dearly, was also there.

George's decorations include the Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, Legion of Merit with

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Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with four battle stars and arrowhead.

George is survived by his wife, Helen Todd Chapman, who continues to live at their home; his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Evan O'Neill Jones; his son and his wife, Captain and Mrs. Don C. Chapman of Fort Jackson, South Carolina; his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hobart Chapman of Evanston, Wyoming; his brother, John F. Chapman, USNA '53, now a civilian engineer in Anchorage, Alaska; and six grandchildren. The youngest, Diane Chapman, was born on 18 February 1965, George's birthday.

In closing, I think it is appropriate to quote a paragraph written to me by Mimi which is a fitting description of George:

"His never faltering sense of humor was an example of the greatest courage in the light of his love of life. We, his family, were enriched by him. A true gentleman, considerate, loving and kind. A man of ability, wit and understanding." —*Ned Gee*

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J. Weller Smith

NO. 13471 CLASS OF JUNE 1943

Killed 26 June 1944 on a mission over Vienna, Austria, aged 25 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

FIRST LIEUTENANT J. WELLER SMITH, "Jack" to his friends, was killed in action during World War II in June of 1944 only a year after his graduation. This story of his life is written in fond memory by his roommate.

Jack was born in Brooklyn on 16 April 1919, the third of the five sons of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Smith. Three were graduated from Service Academies, four served in the armed forces, and two were killed in airplane crashes while on active duty.

When Jack was four years old the family moved to South Weymouth, Massachusetts. Here he was active in the Boy Scouts, attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, and was a graduate of Weymouth High School.

In 1938 Jack entered the school of engineering at Duke University where he completed two years before his admission to West Point. While at Duke he was a member of the Phi Sigma and Pi Mu Epsilon fraternities and ran on the cross-country team.

Early in 1940 Representative Wigglesworth of the 13th District of Massachusetts appointed Jack to West Point to report on 1 July 1940. During Beast Barracks and the rest of plebe year Jack had much less difficulty than many of his classmates because he was older, wiser, and more alert. In fact, one of his classmates who was in danger of not making it through summer camp was assigned as Jack's tentmate so Jack could help him. In large measure, due to Jack's example and assistance, this classmate survived the tribulations of the summer.

During the long grind of plebe year, the head start Jack had acquired at Duke, his diligence, and his unusual ability to learn, enabled him to excel in academics. By the spring of yearling year Jack was a cadet corporal and was busy choosing between the Engineers and the Air Corps. His fateful choice was the Air Corps, and in the summer of 1942 he was off to primary flying school at Camden, South Carolina. There he soloed after nine hours.

Back at West Point in September 1942 Jack entered his last hectic year as a cadet —a year which included the combined academics of "cow" and first class years plus basic and advanced flight training at Stewart Field. In spite of the heavy scholastic load, the long bus trips from West Point to the airfield, and his duties as a cadet sergeant, Jack found time to date several attractive girls, but he never selected an OAO. At graduation he received his diploma from General "Hap" Arnold, stood 24 in his class of 513, received his wings as a pilot, and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps.

Jack had all of the qualifications and training to serve his country well for many years and to rise to a position of high command. Tragically, he was to have only one year before being killed in action.

After a brief visit with his parents, 2d Lt. J. Weller Smith reported for duty on his first assignment—B-24 Liberator Bomber transition at Smyrna, Tennessee. Thirty of his classmates were with him, and there he spent many enjoyable, carefree days. Good fellowship, gatherings at the club, house parties, and the wedding of his roommate made it a most pleasant calm before the storm.

—J. WELLER SMITH

Upon leaving Smyrna, Jack began combat crew training and moved in rapid succession from the 39th Bomb Group at Tucson, to the 34th at Blythe, and finally to the 471st CCTS at Pueblo.

In April 1944 1st Lt. J. Weller Smith and his crew reported for duty in the 460th Bomb Group of the 15th Air Force at Spinazzolo, Italy.

On the morning of his last day, 26 June 1944, Jack and his crew took off in the B-24 *Honey Chile* to fly lead ship, high box; target: a steel mill and refineries in Flordsdorf near Vienna, Austria. As the formation approached the target, flak was heavy, and German fighters rose to attack. At 10:15 a.m., while over the target, six or seven ME-110's made a pass from 11 o'clock high. *Honey Chile* was hit several times by 20mm incendiaries. Jack gave the order to bail out. After seven of the crew had left the ship, Jack apparently noticed that the remaining two crewmen could not escape and so returned to the cockpit to attempt to fly the ship to a landing. A tail gunner reported that the *Honey Chile* disintegrated in the air and crashed 14 miles northeast of Vienna.

The German government reported through the Red Cross that 1st Lt. J. Weller Smith had been killed in an airplane crash near Vienna on 26 June 1944.

Jack's copilot later wrote: "There was one side of him that I believe I knew as well as anyone—that was Jack the soldier and leader. His greatest ambition was a successful career as an Army officer, and he was certainly well on his way. He was respected and admired more by his crew, every officer and enlisted man, than any other man in his position I have ever met. His last act of duty, which I believe was over and beyond the line of duty should, more clearly than I can, tell why he held this respect and admiration."

In a letter to Jack's parents Lt. General Giles, Deputy Commander of the Army Air Forces, paid this tribute to Jack: "... he was admired by his associates for his courage and energetic leadership. I understand also that during his commissioned career, he excelled as a pilot and won the favor of fellow airmen by his group spirit and exceptional dependability. I hope the memory that your son gave his best to our cause and bravely died for it will help to relieve the grief caused by his untimely passing."

Jack was awarded two Air Medals for sustained operational activities against the enemy and the Purple Heart, posthumously.

After the war his parents received Jack's class ring and the following account of his death from a German air force officer who had seen the air battle over Vienna.

"Over Vienna on 26 June 1944 the weather was clear except for a few high clouds. The B-24's were coming in toward Budapest but changed direction and dropped bombs on an oil refinery and a locomotive factory in Vienna. One B-24 was attacked by German fighters. Two engines on the right side began to burn, and the B-24 started to spiral down toward the ground. Several 'chutes left the plane. The B-24 broke up in the air before it hit. At about 150 meters from the crash I found an American airman still alive but mortally wounded. He said 'Please, after the war, tell my parents. In my ring there is my name.' Shortly afterward he died. Your son has done his duty and I honor him with deep respect. He obeyed his orders and sacrificed his life."

He now rests in Arlington National Cemetery, beside his brother, Cmdr. Fritz Smith U.S.N.

To 1st Lt. J. Weller Smith, pilot, patriot, hero, and friend, we pay tribute: "Well done, Be thou at peace."

—*R.C.M.*

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John Matheson McAlpine

NO. 17723 CLASS OF 1950

Died 24 June 1952 in Korea, aged 25 years.

Interment: Forest Lawn Cemetery, Union, South Carolina

JOHN M. MCALPINE was born in Union, South Carolina, on 23 May 1927, the second youngest of six children. Johnny lost his father at an early age and was reared by his mother, Mrs. Joe Ketchin McAlpine, of Union, South Carolina.

The wisdom of his mother instilled in the young Johnny Mac an inner confidence and faith in God. This, combined with his surroundings in the beautiful pine forests of South Carolina, explained the Johnny Mac that we all later came to know and respect.

His early school years were spent in Union where he graduated from high school in 1944. He attended Georgia Tech for a year but then decided to attend the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Pascagoula, Mississippi, during the summer of 1945.

It was only a short time later—in July 1946

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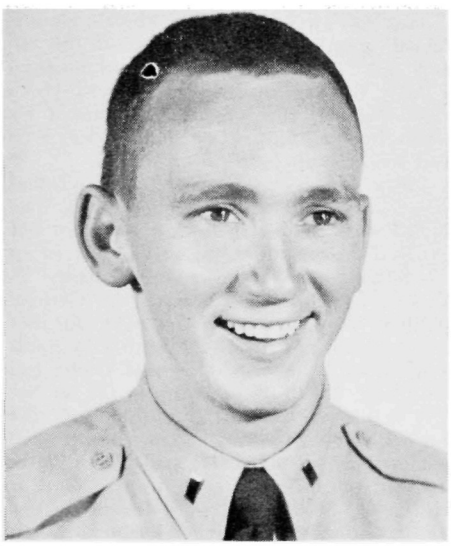
—that the quiet and friendly Johnny joined the cadet corps at West Point. Our fond remembrances of Johnny Mac date from that July. He joined Company I from the flankers in yearling year, and it was as if he had been with us from the start.

A good description of Johnny Mac during these years is furnished by one of his roommates who wrote the following for the HOWITZER. "Johnny Mac is one of those people who has never been dejected for a second—even at West Point. He's never been too busy to help a classmate. Lucky at everything, a lot of fun, considerate of everybody, and a hive at everything." This is the same Johnny Mac who always had a smile and a helping hand for everyone.

Upon graduation Johnny chose the Air Force. He entered flight training at San Angelo, Texas, and then followed the usual route to Selma, Alabama, for completion of flight training.

In August 1951, he went to St. Louis where



—JOHN MATHESON MCALPINE

he married his Carol, the girl he had met during his third year at West Point. The newly married couple traveled to Luke Air Force Base for their first station, but it was only a short time later that Johnny received orders for Korea.

Prior to leaving for Korea, Johnny Mac and his bride returned to South Carolina to spend Christmas with the family. In January he left his wife, his family, and his friends for what was to be his final assignment.

John M. McAlpine, first lieutenant, USAF, while flying as a fighter pilot, 67th Fighter Bomber Squadron, 18th Fighter Bomber Group, was killed in action as a result of participation in the Korean operations on 24 June 1952. Earlier, he had successfully completed numerous combat missions in an F-51-type aircraft from 10 February to 25 April 1952.

His citation says in part: "While participating in aerial flights against forces of the enemy in the Korean Campaign, First Lieutenant John M. McAlpine distinguished himself . . . by flying at dangerously low altitude in adverse weather over enemy-held territory, rocketed, strafed, and bombed enemy supplies, troops, equipment, and transportation facilities. By his aggressive leadership, and courage, and by his superior judgment and flying skill, First Lieutenant McAlpine has brought great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."

There were some personal remembrances of John from his family and his wife. At home, in Union, South Carolina, they remembered his good humor and his kindness as the most important characteristics that were always apparent. His wife, Carol, writes: "I feel very humble, for I know I can never express his wisdom and courage, or the beauty of his nature. I have such great love for Johnny and admiration for his life. When in doubt myself, I know I shall always turn to Johnny and draw upon his strength for decisions. Though we are all indebted for his personal sacrifice in Korea, I am sure that those of us who knew him are left with a far greater value—the pleasure and inspiration gained from knowing one with such faith and high standards."

So to John M. McAlpine resting peacefully at Forest Lawn Cemetery, in Union, South Carolina, this sincere tribute from your friends and loved ones: "Your good humor, kindness, helpfulness, strength, and faith are remembered by all of us." —*R.H.L.*

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Richard Sherwin Johnson

NO. 21840 CLASS OF 1958

Died 17 January 1965 in Vietnam, aged 29 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

THE NEW YORK TIMES for 20 January 1965, carried a brief article stating that the Department of the Army had released the name of Captain Richard S. Johnson as "missing in combat in Vietnam" while serving as an advisor with a South Vietnamese Group. For those of us who knew Dick, the announcement the following day of his being killed in action came as an even greater shock. The forewarning made the tragic news all the more unacceptable.

Richard Sherwin Johnson was born in Richmond, Virginia, on 4 January 1936. Living in and attending the schools of that great city, the "Capital of the Confederacy," he acquired the traits which have come to identify an era: graciousness, warmth, and hospitality. From his family he inherited the smile which was to so mark his character and personality and which was to endear him to all who came in contact with him. This warmth, generosity, and friendliness served to bind the strong friendships and loyalties of those who knew him well.

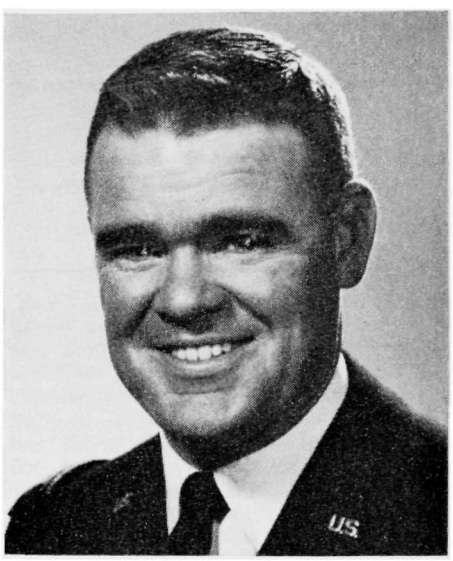
Entering the Academy in 1954, Dick brought with him a love of life and its great treasures of literature, art, and music, an appreciation for the idealism and noble traditions of his country, and a strong feeling of admiration and respect for that great American drama, the War Between the States.

Upon graduation in June 1958, he was commissioned in the Air Force. Later, during flight training, however, Dick became aware of the fact that he lacked a very essential requirement for flying, something which could not have been detected earlier, visual depth perception. He said he was unable to perceive the difference between being 50 feet off the deck and a sure crash heading when making a landing. Since this caused some understandable consternation among his flight instructors, it meant the premature end of a brilliant flying career and reassignment to ground duties at Randolph AFB, Texas. It was here that Dick met and later married Jean J. Ryder of Kettering, Ohio.

Air Force ground duty and staff work was not enough of a challenge to Dick so he applied for and received a transfer to the Army, with Infantry as his branch choice. This change of service brought him back to Fort Benning, to troops, and to airborne training. A permanent assignment followed with Dick commanding a company at Benning for a year. For Jean and Dick this was to be a most enjoyable tour, for it meant not only self-satisfying and responsible duties for Dick, but also the opportunity of meeting and renewing many friendships with friends and classmates passing through the "Home of the Infantry" for both of them.

In Vietnam he was assigned as advisor to a South Vietnamese Army Group in Binh Tuy Province. Dick's compound was at Ham Tan.

The Viet Cong attacked on Sunday, 17 January 1965, while Dick's unit was on a search and destroy mission. ". . . The unit came under intense enemy small arms, automatic weapons, and mortar fire from a large Viet Cong force. During the fierce battle that ensued, Captain Johnson placed accurate and devastating fire onto the insurgent positions. He continued firing in this manner until he fell, mortally wounded." This quote, taken from the award of the Bronze Star Medal



—RICHARD SHERWIN JOHNSON

and signed by General W. C. Westmoreland, continues, "Captain Johnson's gallantry and devotion to duty were inspirational as he remained at his post in the face of overwhelming odds. . . ."

Dick was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with "V" (for valor), Purple Heart, Combat Infantry Badge, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal, and two Vietnamese medals, the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross with Palm Leaf Cluster and the National Order Medal. In addition, Dick held the Air Force Commendation Medal, National Defense Medal, and the Expert Pistol Medal.

Richard S. Johnson was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery on 28 January 1965. The Rev. George M. Bean, former Cadet Chaplain, conducted the service.

Dick leaves his wife, Jean; a stepdaughter, Janice; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sherwin Johnson; and a sister, Linda.

O God, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and light riseth up in darkness for the godly; grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what Thou wouldest have us to do, that the Spirit of Wisdom may save us from all false choices, and that in Thy light we may see light, and in Thy straight path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

—THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the Summer 1965 ASSEMBLY

Name	*Class*	*Date*	*Place*
Melvin W. Rowell	1890	5 August 1965	Northwood, New Hampshire
Louis R. Dice	1903	17 August 1965	Portsmouth, Ohio
George B. Hunter	1904	11 September 1965	San Francisco, California
Dawson Olmstead	1906	2 September 1965	Bellevue, Washington
Sloan Doak	1907	10 August 1965	Ruxton, Maryland
Edwin C. McNeil	1907	1 October 1965	Washington, D. C.
Walter R. Wheeler	1907	5 September 1965	St. Petersburg, Florida
Delos C. Emmons	1909	4 October 1965	San Francisco, California
Hans R. W. Herwig	1913	16 August 1965	Perryville, Maryland
Ralph Royce	1914	7 August 1965	Homestead AFB, Florida
Arthur E. Burnap	Ex-Apr 1917	5 August 1965	Norwalk, Connecticut
James M. Gillespie	Jun 1918	27 September 1965	San Antonio, Texas
O'Ferrall Knight	Jun 1918	22 June 1965	Tacoma, Washington
Donald A. Fay	1919	9 September 1965	Fort Benning, Georgia
William F. Sadtler	1922	14 August 1965	Washington, D. C.
Temple G. Holland	1923	24 September 1965	Fort Worth, Texas
Louis H. Imhof	1923	20 September 1965	Palo Alto, California
Guy H. Stubbs	1923	29 September 1965	Waco, Texas
William A. Walker	1926	31 August 1965	Railroad accident near Long Beach, New York
John C. Hayden	1930	13 August 1965	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Kenneth E. Tiffany	1932	19 September 1965	Bandon, Oregon
Maxwell M. Kallman	1936	20 September 1965	Fort Bliss, Texas
Louis S. Francisco	Jun 1943	22 September 1965	Fort Belvoir, Virginia
Austin K. Veatch, Jr.	1950	11 August 1965	Aircraft accident, Edwards AFB, California
Richard D. Becker	1955	22 August 1965	Port Washington, New York
Richard D. Johnson	1955	11 August 1965	Aircraft accident, Edwards AFB, California
Robert E. Rawls	1957	18 September 1965	Vietnam (hostile death)
Ned N. Loscuito, Jr.	1960	20 August 1965	Vietnam (hostile death)
Robert H. Fuellhart, Jr.	1962	12 August 1965	Vietnam (hostile death)
Thomas E. McMahan, Jr.	1962	28 September 1965	Vietnam (hostile death)
Frank S. Reasoner	1962	12 July 1965	Vietnam (hostile death)

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