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Fellow Graduates:

The Class of 1966 has now begun its first year of service after completion of 60 days of leave. For those going overseas to their first troop units, mandatory Ranger training and voluntary Airborne training are about over and their first foreign service is at hand. Those whose initial assignment was to a CONUS unit will complete the mandatory Ranger course and voluntary Airborne course by mid-February and return to their units. I watch their performance with admiration and their opportunity for service with envy, and I wish the Class of 1966 a particularly Merry Christmas.

As for the preparation of our present cadets, those charged with their instruction are progressively improving their academic qualifications. Some faculty members concentrate their particular qualifications in support of the electives program to insure the highest possible quality in the advanced courses, but the great majority of the faculty directs its efforts to the support of the basically important prescribed courses of the standard program. At present, about one-fourth of the faculty completed their undergraduate work at other institutions. This fact, and the fact that the USMA graduates on the faculty have done their graduate work at many different schools, prevents "inbreeding," keeps us abreast of the techniques of our civilian counterparts, and provides the Army as a whole with personnel to help fill its many needs for officers with special qualifications. Above all, our uniformed instructors set an example both in and out of the classroom worthy of emulation by the future officers whom they are helping to train.

Losses within the Class of 1970 as of 1 October were generally the same as last year. The reason most Plebes gave for resigning was lack of motivation for cadet life and a career as an Army officer. Exit interviews with those who resigned indicated they were not misled in what to expect at the Academy; they just were not prepared to accept the experience of Beast Barracks and the disciplined life of a cadet and officer. So far, we have been unable to discover any

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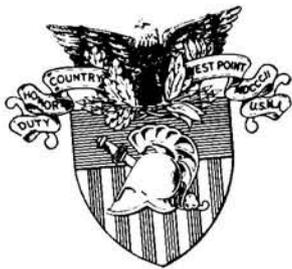
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The Homecoming crowd was noisy and enthusiastic in spite of the weather—Homecoming queen Marie Word of Fairfield, Calif., recovered from the afternoon at Michie Stadium to make this appearance at the Cadet hop where she was crowned by Cadet Regimental Commander David R.E. Hale.

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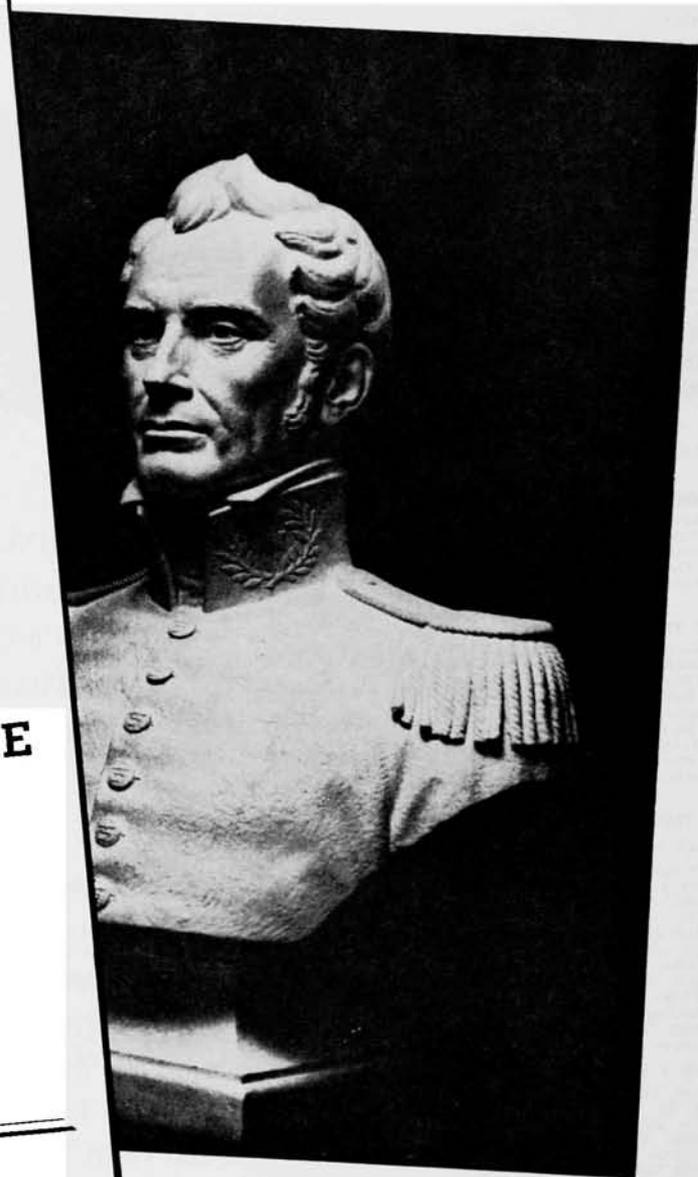
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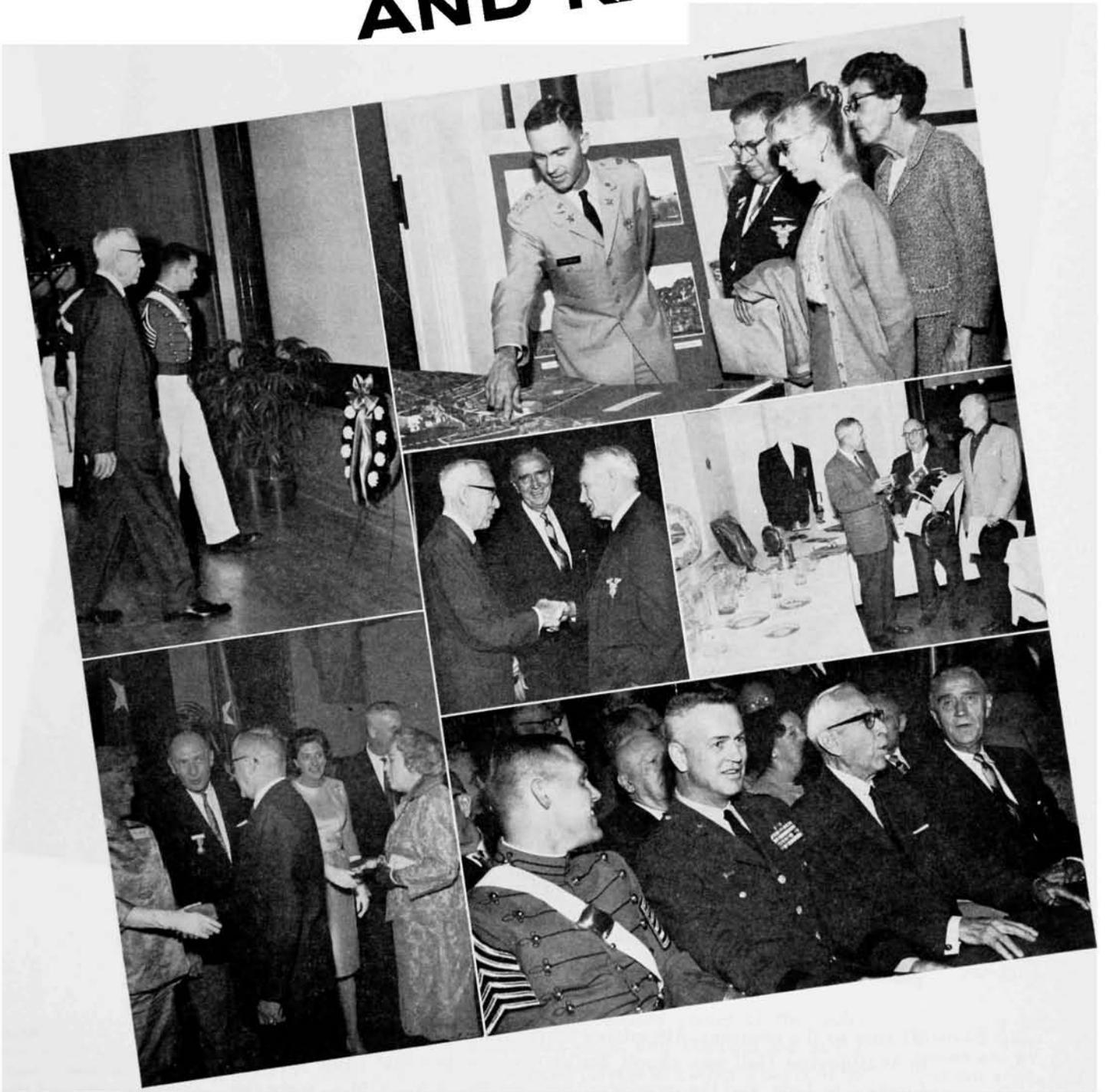


West Point, New York, 1 October 1966

PROGRAM FOR ALUMNI EXERCISES
THAYER MONUMENT

1. "Alma Mater" by the Choir
2. Prayer by the Chaplain
3. Taps
4. Laying the Wreath
5. "The Corps" by the Choir

homecoming... **AND RAIN** *reunions...* **AND RAIN**



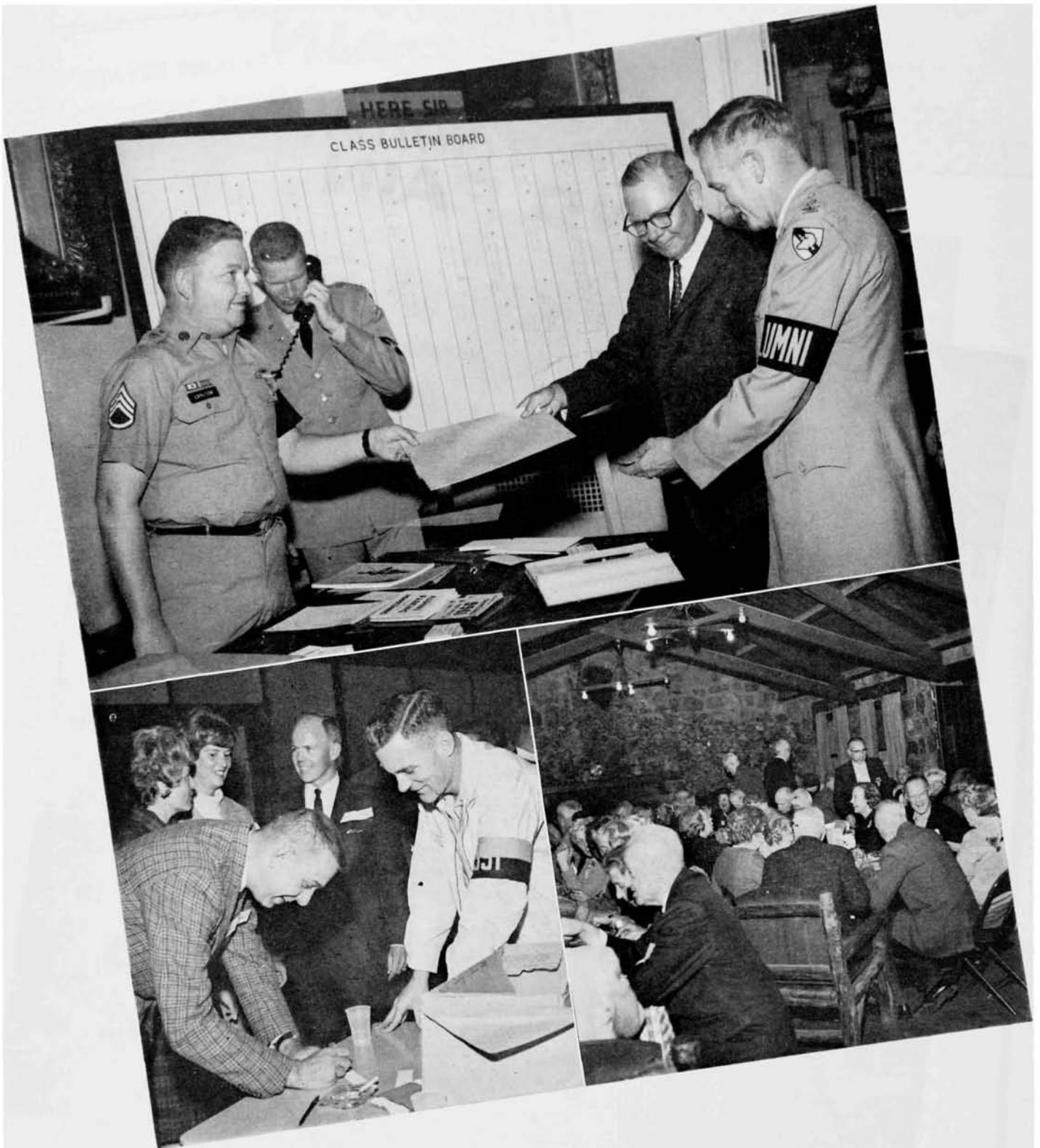
THE RAIN never let up on Saturday, 1 October, but the 1966 Homecoming Weekend still broke all records for the number of old grads returning.

It was the first time that 5-year reunion classes were back in force for traditional reunion ceremonies and the Classes of '26, '46, '51, '56 and

... IN GENERAL

One young grad credited the Ranger Department for arranging the Homecoming weather plan, but all the traditional reunion events were well attended. Danford '04 did the honors as the oldest grad present.

"SAY, DO YOU..."



'61 rose to the occasion. Attendance at the Saturday night dinner-dance in Washington Hall was almost double the number that came for that function in June, and the crowds in the West Point Army Mess were the largest ever to patronize that famous old West Point landmark.

There was a welcome "be-no" for the Cadet Corps, but everything else was "go" for the old grads in accordance with the Superintendent's wishes. When the rains washed out the scheduled Alumni March to Thayer Monument, the resourceful Academy staff switched to the inclement weather schedule, and the Thayer Monument ceremony was held in

... NOW
Old familiar Cullum Hall served as alumni headquarters again, and Horace Brown '41, new alumni secretary, was on hand to welcome early arrivals. '26 chose to celebrate its 40th at Homecoming.

REMEMBER...?"



the large auditorium in Thayer Hall. The massed voices of the cadet choirs and glee club sang the traditional songs, and Danford '04, as the oldest grad present, paid the time-honored tribute to Father Thayer. This 1966 indoor ceremony was another USMA first, and proved to be an entirely satisfactory substitute for the one originally scheduled. Reunion class groups filled a large center section of the auditorium for the brief exercises.

Following the buffet luncheon in the West Point Army Mess, the hardiest of the returning grads repaired to Michie Stadium to watch a

... AND THEN
Returning grads overflowed all the post's available party, picnic, and dinner sites, and when festivities waned there, moved to the quarters of hospitable, locally assigned classmates.

"SAME TIME AND PLACE..."



superb ARMY team overcome plucky Penn State 11-0. It was ARMY's third win without a loss, the best start since the 1960 season. In spite of the rain that fell from kick-off to the final gun, the grads were treated to a brand of football they like to see in their team, and if their cheers were somewhat muffled by assorted rainwear, they were enthusiastic and spirited. Enough of them had recovered from their drenching to swell the attendance at the dinner-dance in Washington Hall that evening to almost 1,300.

Reunion classes held their scheduled picnics, dinners, and parties

THE CLASSES OF:

1926 1946

IN 1971...?"



beginning Friday night, and all the popular post facilities—Camp Buckner, Round Pond, the Officers Club, and the Golf Club echoed with the sounds of camaraderie and good cheer. Even the Sunday picnics following chapel services were well attended, for Sunday dawned bright and beautifully clear.

By 4 o'clock Sunday the signs of Homecoming 1966 were beginning to disappear, the usual Sunday afternoon quiet had settled on the Plain, and alumni headquarters in Cullum Hall was closed. The old grads had officially turned West Point over to the Corps of Cadets.

THE CLASS OF:

1961

USMA Welcomes its new DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS



COLONEL JERRY G. CAPKA

CAPTAIN of the 1944 ARMY baseball team that beat Navy; B-squad football player (at 160 lbs., 5 ft. 7 in.) on the team that provided the opposition for ARMY's wartime juggernaut; combat service with Engineer troops during World War II (Purple Heart, Bronze Star); twenty-two years of service that include engineer troop duty, assignments in the Office of the Secretary of the Army and in the Office of the Secretary of Defense; graduation from the Army War College; two master's degrees; the Legion of Merit and the Soldier's Medal for heroism—these are the credentials that Colonel Jerry G. Capka '44 brought to the job of Director of Athletics, USMA, in July.

Capka is a native of Middletown, Pa., where he was born in January, 1922. He entered the Academy in 1941 and completed the war-accelerated program in three years, standing high enough in his class to be commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. Cadets were still being assigned according to height when Capka was in the Corps so he belonged to and became cadet captain of Company A-2. Capka describes A-2 as being "sized for minimal physical stature but for maximal military prowess!"

"Cannon fodder" is the term Capka uses to describe the B-squad football team that he played on, and he recalls the hazards that frequently befell his team. "Whenever we ran a successful play, that was *prima facie* evidence of some deficiency on the A-squad. With coaches like Herman Hickman and Stu Holcomb being held strictly accountable for the performance of the A-squad, these deficiencies were always aggressively corrected—usually at the expense of the B-squad. Except for a broken nose," says Capka, "I must admit I escaped rather lightly. I was a linebacker on defense and a blocking back on offense, and even if I did everything right, it was only rarely that my play would pinpoint a glaring A-squad deficiency. This was my good fortune, because it meant that the corrective replays were only rarely aimed at me.

"There was one man though, Rick Kleist, our passer; who could claim all our sympathy. Coach Hickman had



Second-baseman Capka (left) with his baseball coach, Lt. Paul Amen, in 1944. Amen, now a successful North Carolina banker, became head football coach at Wake Forest College after leaving West Point.

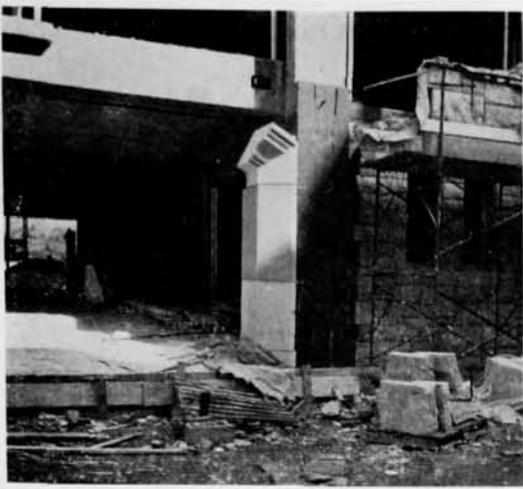
laid down a rule for all the A-squad interior linemen: "Twice around the field if the passer is still on his feet after passing the ball."

"I can still see our Rick throwing his pass, and then turning tail and racing down the field with a horde of giant, would-be tacklers in hot pursuit. None of those two-lap penalties for them!"

Capka's recollection of his days as a cadet athlete is philosophical. He admits with a wry smile that playing with the ARMY teams taught him some valuable lessons in the importance of selecting proper alternative courses of action in the decision-making process.

"As a Plebe" says Capka, "I was a 'walrus,' but a mighty contented walrus. Afternoon swimming lessons pro-

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One of the new sallyports in barracks begins to take shape. This view, looking generally to the north and east is in front of the Central Barracks sallyport that opened onto the French Monument. In all, there will be six new sallyports and each will be named and will bear appropriate designs to honor the men who fought at: Salerno, Bastogne, Normandy, Corregidor, Leyte, and Inchon.

expansion file...

Status of construction looking west from a point in front of the Clock Tower. At left: Central barracks and the 1st division of barracks that is to be preserved. At right: the east wing of the new barracks. Center: the extension to Washington Hall (cadet mess).



►Aside from the work on the Washington Hall-barracks complex which progresses on schedule, related expansion projects during the past quarter have involved the utilities which will be needed for the greatly enlarged plant. Among the major utilities contracts currently funded at \$6 million are:

►Installation of a 20-inch water pipeline from Stillwell Lake (near Camp Buckner) to a site behind Michie Stadium where a new filtration plant will be constructed. It is worthy of note that this new plant will not be visible either from the main post or from the east bank of the Hudson River.

►Installation of a new main line to bring electricity on the post. This project includes the construction of sub-stations and the laying of the necessary service cables and underground ducts leading to all the existing and proposed construction sites.

►Installation of new boilers in the post boiler plant (behind the Administration Building) and the steam distribution piping from the plant to Central Area.

►Expansion of the existing central telephone exchange, and installation of additional underground ducts for the new telephone cables.

►Meanwhile, preliminary planning continues on major construction projects awaiting the allocation of funds.

►Pre-preliminary studies on the new hospital are being revised to incorporate the recommendations of the architectural review board appointed by the Chief of Engineers.

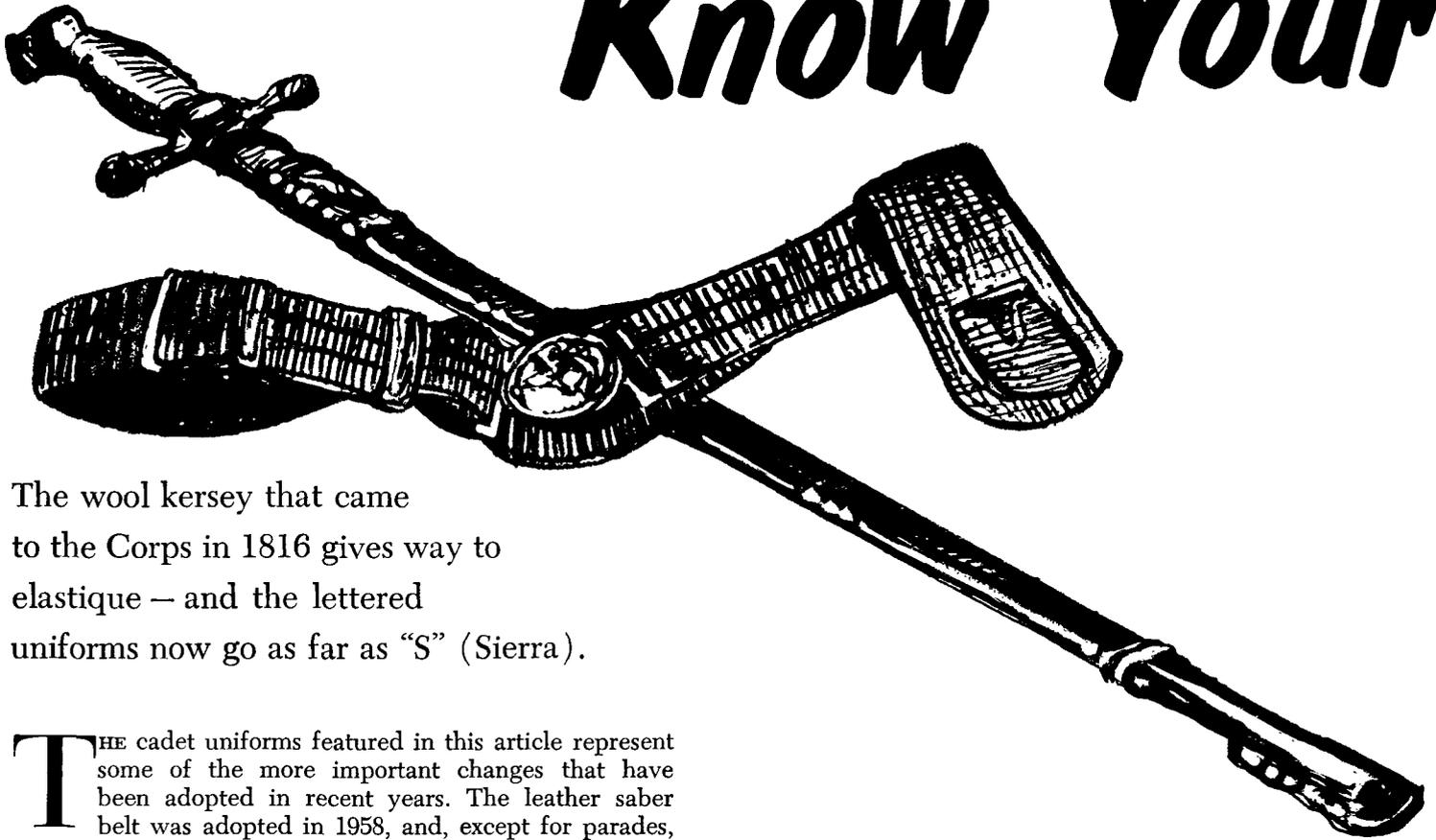
►Final plans for the addition to the gymnasium, to be located in the space now occupied by the parking lot adjacent to the present gym, are being prepared. An Olympic-sized (50 meters) swimming pool and a 10-meter diving platform will be housed in this new wing of the gymnasium.

►The concept for construction of the new academic building (south of the Administration Building) is expected to be submitted to Congress early in 1967 for consideration as part of the FY 1968 construction program.



The Washington Hall-barracks project as it looked in mid-October. The barracks at the left have reached their maximum height; two more floors have to be added to the wing on right. The boom in center of the picture rises from the crane in the foreground and has access to almost all of the center section.

Know Your



The wool kersey that came to the Corps in 1816 gives way to elastique – and the lettered uniforms now go as far as “S” (Sierra).

THE cadet uniforms featured in this article represent some of the more important changes that have been adopted in recent years. The leather saber belt was adopted in 1958, and, except for parades, is worn whenever the saber is carried. It is patterned after the general officer's pistol belt and has a distinctive buckle with the USMA crest engraved on it.

One less noticeable, but at the same time a most significant change in the cadet uniform is the one involving the basic material from which the uniforms are made. In 1816 the gray wool kersey was adopted by congress as the standard cloth (and color) in honor of the Regulars who had fought in the Battle of Chippewa. Because this material is becoming increasingly difficult to procure, it is gradually being replaced by an elastique cloth similar to the cloth used in commissioned officers' uniforms. The four cadets wearing “dress gray” (Fig. 1) wear uniforms made of the two materials. The Brigade Supply Officer (pointing) and the cadet at the left are wearing uniforms of wool kersey. The other two wear the elastique uniform. The elastique was first issued on a trial basis in 1964 to some members of the Class of 1966; it was issued to most of the Class of 1970, and by the time the Class of 1972 enters, the kersey will no longer be an item of issue.

The two cadets standing in front of the gym (Fig. 2) wear the black parka which is authorized for wear with gray trousers while in transit to and from the gymnasium or the field house to participate in athletics. The black parka, first issued in 1953 to the Class of 1954 as a replacement for the black knit sweater, is also worn as an outer garment with athletic uniforms.

The lightweight Army Green uniform first issued in 1965 to the Class of 1967 is being worn by the two cadets standing in front of Grant Hall (Fig. 3). This uniform

may be worn during the summer uniform period while traveling and while on Army Orientation Training. The men also wear distinctive insignia of rank on their caps and on their shoulders. The Second Classman (on the left) wears the single bar identifying him as a cadet corporal; the First Classman wears the three bars of a cadet lieutenant. The Academy crest, with appropriate background color,* is also worn on the shoulder straps.

UNIFORM “Sierra” (phonetic for the letter “s”) features the starched short-sleeve white dress shirt and lightweight (tropical worsted) gray trousers (Fig. 4). The crest is worn on detachable shoulder epaulettes. Insignia of rank consists of gold stripes across the end of each epaulette, one stripe for corporal, two for sergeant, three for lieutenant, etc. The Sierra uniform is worn during the modified summer and summer uniform period and is similar in formality to dress gray over white. The cadet second from left is wearing the basic Sierra uniform; the other cadets are wearing Sierra-under-arms, as for parades. The cadet at extreme left is demonstrating the M6 dress bayonet which was issued in 1965. It is the first dress bayonet carried by the Corps since the M1898 bayonet was phased out with the M1 rifle in 1962.

Changes in the cadet uniform originate in the Cadet Uniform Committee whose members include the Deputy Commandant, the Officer in Charge of the Cadet Store, the Regimental Commanders, the Treasurer, the USMA, the S4, USCC, and the Deputy DCSLOG. Recommendations are forwarded by this committee to the Superintendent for final approval.

*First Class—black; Second Class—gray; Third Class—gold.

About the author: Captain Walker '54, an artilleryman, is assistant to the S4, USCC.

Cadet Uniforms



Fig.1: Cadets wear the dress gray made of wool kersey (left) and elastique (right.)

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Fig.2 (top): The black parka replaced the knit sweater in 1953. Parka is also worn as an outer garment with athletic uniforms. Fig.3 (bottom): The lightweight Army Green uniform is worn while traveling during the summer.

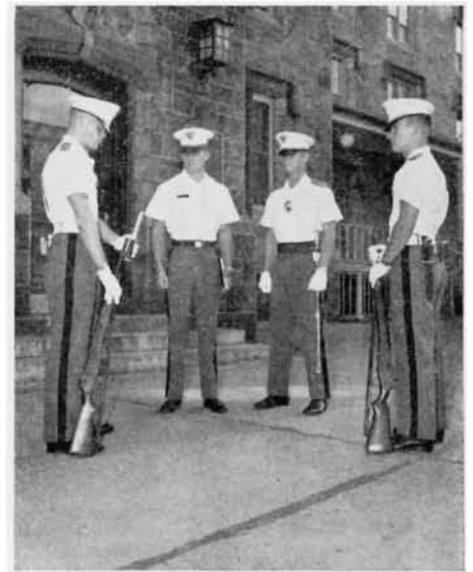
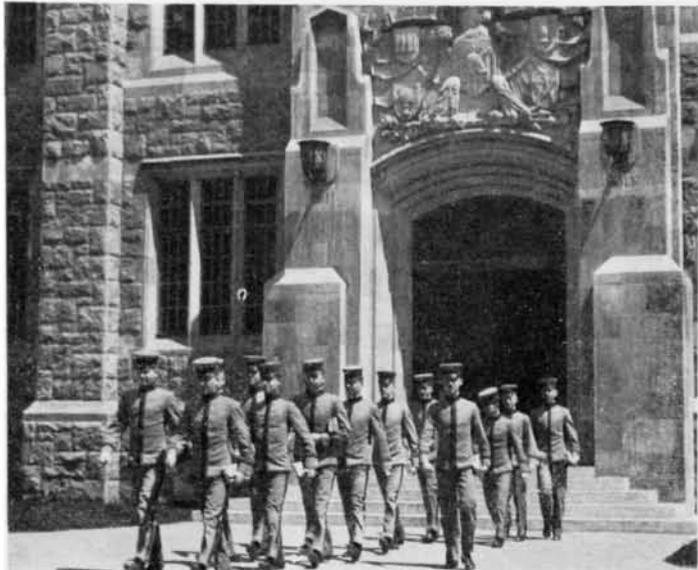


Fig.4 Summer uniform Sierra is equivalent in formality to dress gray over white.

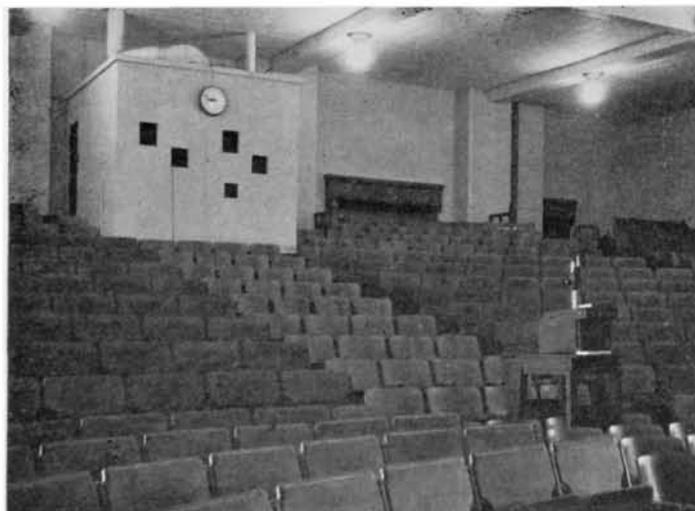
A Class of 1916 section emerges from the main entrance to the East Academic Building (circa 1914).



Prime features of the remodeled section room are the multi-purpose desks, designed by the Department of Electricity, which can be opened to serve as lab benches, and the TV monitor for closed-circuit.



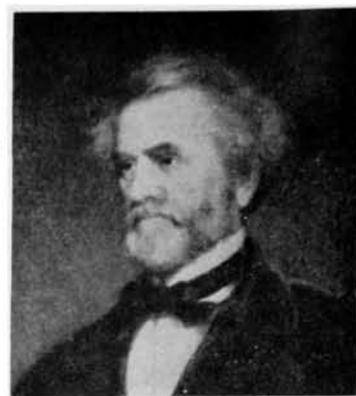
Old Mechanics Lecture Hall with rear projection booth, assorted wooden seats and inadequate lighting.



After 53 years the interior of the old East Academic Building has been completely remodeled and henceforth will bear the proud name of Bartlett, one of the Academy's great 19th century professors.

A MAJOR REHABILITATION project, involving one of the best known West Point landmarks, has been quietly completed after two years of steady work. Thousands of graduates must have passed the long-familiar facade of the East Academic Building completely unaware of the transformation that was taking place inside.

To the casual observer there is only one outward sign of change—the lettering over the main, center doorway now identifies the building as Bartlett Hall. The old designation has not been appropriate since 1958 when the conversion of the riding hall to Thayer Hall was completed. Located as it is on the bluff overlooking the river, Thayer Hall rendered any reference to an “east” academic building obsolete. It was decided, therefore, that this building that houses the department he headed for 35 years (1836-1871)



Wm. H.C. Bartlett



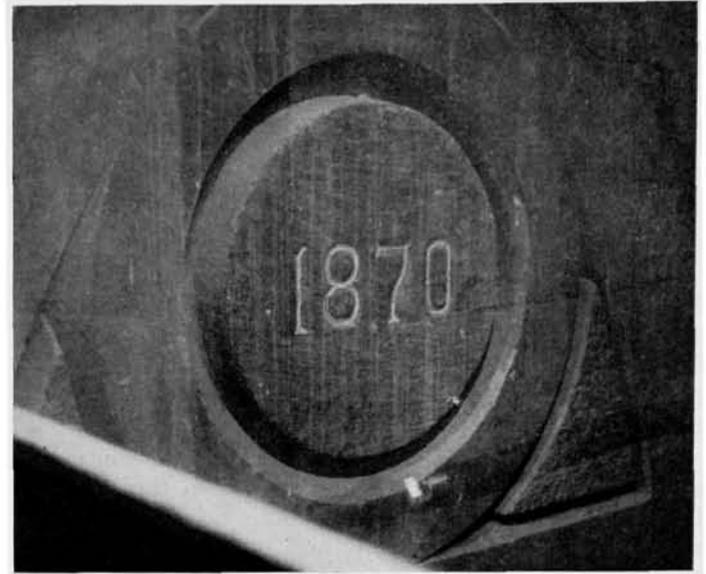
New Mechanics Lecture Hall features a multi-use rear projection screen including the capability to project closed-circuit television images.

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The transformation of the old East Academic Building is complete with the formal designation as Bartlett Hall.



Workmen exposed this old stone in the course of renovating the basement of Bartlett Hall. It was apparently used as an ordinary building block in the basement of the new building in 1913.



ON TENTH AVENUE

by COLONEL E.C. CUTLER JR.

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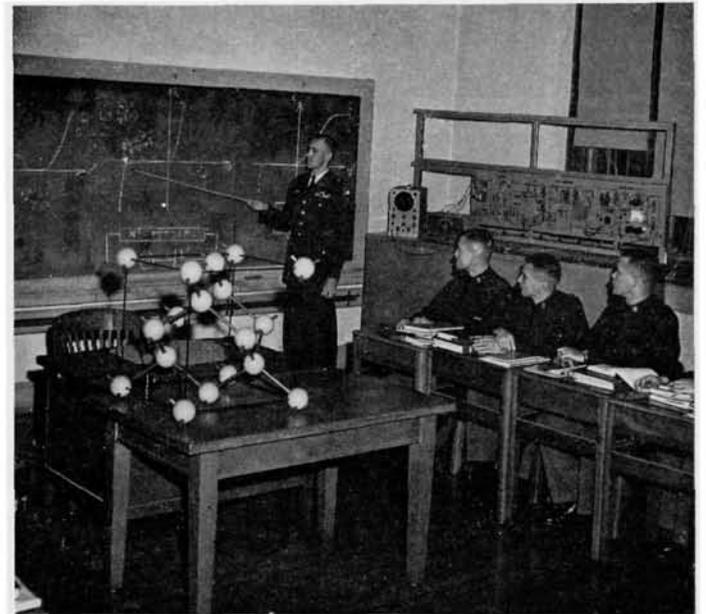
LT. COLONEL ROBERT B. ANDREEN

should honor the memory of Professor William H.C. Bartlett. Standing number one in the Class of 1826, the gifted Bartlett, a world famous scientist in his time, brought great prestige to the Military Academy as the author of widely used scientific texts and through his membership in national scientific societies. He was also an incorporator of the National Academy of Sciences.

Included in the renovation project was the modernization of the two lecture halls; installation of air conditioning and closed-circuit TV conduits; complete remodeling of classrooms and hallways; and rehabilitation of all utilities systems.

The departments of Physics and Chemistry, Electricity, and Mechanics are located in Bartlett Hall.

Section room, before remodeling, featured the traditional wooden desks, old blackboards, antiquated lighting.



Corridor before renovation.

Corridor after renovation.



July 23, 1966

General William H. Wilbur, U.S.A., Retired
371 Central Avenue
Highland Park, Illinois

Dear General Wilbur:

TIME works wonders in suffering hearts that have been warmed by the fires of happy recollection. This has occurred to us in the twilight of our lives, and it has occurred to us to write to you to ask a boon. Far, far back in the past, it came about on a summer's day in 1916, during an occasion known as the Plebe Hike, that in the environs of some unremembered town in the Hudson River Valley, at the end of a day's march, Cadets Bixby and O'Rouark, then tentmates in an humble pup tent, made off along a country road, objective: a town now long forgotten; and mission: immaterial.

In doing this they crossed, with tremors ill-concealed, an unmarked boundary but well known to them as "off limits." The question they now pose does not concern their guilt. They *were* guilty, and in no other way did they plead.

AS THEY ENTERED the forgotten town that day, being as yet unskilled in strategy, and walking two abreast beside the main road, there approached several military persons in an automobile. Of these you were one. Your car stopped.

As you alighted the two strode forward, halted, saluted, and with bated breaths stood at attention. The jig was up. They prepared to receive their medicine.

Politely, firmly, positively—and with the impact of a shaped charge—you ordered them back to camp in arrest.

As tentmates in camp, and later roommates in "A" Co., they waited—and waited. What terrible punishments they anticipated! And as each day painfully languished into the next they writhed in self-condemnation.

When they were both made corporals they writhed a little less—and as sergeants, even less. Something, they suspected, had gone awry, but they handled the situation like an unexploded bomb, with minimum prodding.

For us—for we were those two cadets—as for poor Butterfly, the days became years, and the years, decades; and, as we now look back, the decades have become almost half a century.

While continuing dutifully in arrest we have "marched with legions and sailed the seas in ships," received promotions, campaign ribbons, decorations, and occasionally our superiors have spoken well of us in various official communications. Our wives, children, and grandchildren—even some of our friends—think well of us. We suggest, with hesitation, that perhaps our good conduct for almost half a century has earned for us a pardon.

Under these circumstances we feel it would be very kind of you, Sir, not to mention exceedingly sporting, if you would release us from the arrest in which we have spent what may work out to be the better part of our lives. We do not ask that you be premature about this, for now, in only the forty-ninth year of arrest, we feel there might be a certain distinction if we rounded it out

Detachment of New Cadets
U.S. Corps of Cadets
August 16, 1966

Special Orders
No. 17

1. In view of the exemplary conduct of Lawrence B. Bixby and Gerald A. O'Rouark during fifty years of arrest:

FURTHER, in view of the fact that they have endured this humiliation with resignation, saint-like demeanor, and without complaint:

FURTHER, in view of their honorable and complete admission of heavy guilt:

FURTHER, in view of the fact that the undersigned did frequently demand of these Cadets and their classmates the greatest possible measure of obedience, discipline, and conscientious effort - to which demands these Cadets did respond with loyal devotion and exactitude:

FURTHER, even after giving due consideration to the fact that said Lawrence B. Bixby and Gerald A. O'Rouark have never received any punishment adequate to the heinous crime of which they were guilty:

FURTHER, in view of the deep affection which the undersigned feels for these two Cadets and all their classmates:

It is hereby ordered that the said Lawrence B. Bixby and Gerald A. O'Rouark be, and they hereby are, released from arrest as of this date.

2. It is further ordered that these two exemplary Cadets be allocated the necessary funds to keep clean the angelic white wings which they have sprouted in their half century of "painful languishing" and "self-condemnation."

Attest:

William H. Wilbur
2nd Lieutenant of Infantry
Instructor, Dept. of Tactics
Officer in Charge of New Cadets

to a full fifty in mid-August of this 1966. But we do feel it would be nice to have in writing an assurance that at the end of fifty years our penal condition had at last been alleviated.

The alternative is, of course, for us to remain in arrest down through the ages. This, too, might carry a certain distinction, but one which we would forego in

EDITORS NOTE:
A TAC LISTENS TO THE PLEA OF TWO DELINQUENT, BUT CONTRITE PLEBES, AND RESPONDS WITH MERCY—AND HUMOR.

**"RELEASED
FROM
ARREST"**

order to clear our otherwise good names before we sluff off these mortal coils. Respectfully, and with our best good wishes,
this twenty-third day of July, 1966,

LAWRENCE B. BIXBY
GERALD A. O'ROUARK
U.S.M.A., Class of November 1918

ASSEMBLY

Bulletin Board

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

the winter issue by — 6 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.

Introducing: The Class of 1970

On 1 July the Class of 1970 entered 1,019 strong. They came from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, Republic of the Philippines, and Nicaragua.

Nineteen per cent of the Class had a semester or more of college prior to entrance, and 6.7% are sons of Military Academy graduates.

Of the 4,337 nominees for the Class who were examined in academics, physical aptitude, and medically, 1,817 were found to be fully qualified.

Just under 80% of those admitted ranked in the top one-fifth of their high school graduating class. Over 80% were graduates of public secondary schools.

In extra-curricular activities, the Class of 1970 had an exceptional record: more than 50% were captains of athletic teams, and 15% were presidents of their senior classes or student bodies. One out of four had been elected to Boys State, one out of six was an Eagle Scout, and two out of three had won an athletic team letter.

AOG's Thayer Award to Carl Vinson

"Year by year, for half a century, I have become more and more steeped in the history of our armed forces, and from this I have come to appreciate the critical role of your graduates in preserving this nation."

In these words, Carl Vinson, former Representative from Georgia, summed up his expression of gratitude after receiving the Association of Graduates' Thayer Award. The presentation was made on Saturday, 10 September, before the Corps of Cadets and assembled alumni in Washington Hall.

The Association, in honoring this ninth recipient of its annual award, took formal notice of Mr. Vinson's 50 years in the House of Representatives and of the role he played in insuring the national security as Chairman of the powerful House Armed Services Committee. He was the first legislator to be so honored.

The award ceremony actually began with a parade by the Corps of Cadets and the presentation to Mr. Vinson of a framed copy of the order of the day by the Cadet First Captain. Immediately following the parade, Mr. Vinson joined the cadets and alumni for luncheon in the Cadet Mess. C.V.R. Schuyler, as President of the Association, presided and made the presentation of the gold medallion and scroll, symbols of the award, to Mr. Vinson.

In the course of his acceptance address, Mr. Vinson had high praise for the West Pointers he had known in

his long career in the House of Representatives, and some advice and guidance for the cadets:

"Without the training your predecessors received here, without their devotion to duty and their faith in the urgency of their profession, our fantastic expansion and final victory in World War II would not have been possible.

" Always think in terms of the whole Army—not just one branch. Remember, except for the one day each year—when you play Navy in your annual football game—you are preparing to become part of a four-Service team. At the same time, never lose pride in your own Service—and maintain the integrity of your own military department. Be proud of your heritage, proud of your leaders, proud of this greatest of all nations on earth, and then be moderately proud of yourself. .

" If I have ever been convinced of anything in my life, I am convinced that democracy, and the freedom and dignity of man which go hand-in-hand with it, will outwear, out-last, and out-live any philosophy or catch phrase that ever emerges from the Kremlin. . . ."



Mr. Vinson uncovers the plate bearing his name as the latest recipient of the Thayer Award. Bronze tablet featuring enlarged reproduction of the Thayer Award medal, is located inside the front entrance to Washington Hall.



Retiring AOG Secretary Cited

On the eve of his departure from West Point, Randy Hines and General Bennett, USMA Superintendent, enjoy an inside joke as the general pins on the Legion of Merit. The award covered the period 1960-66 during which time Col. Hines served as Chief, Nuclear Division, Combat Developments Directorate; Chief, Nuclear and Air Defense Division, Materiel Requirements Directorate, D/A; Deputy Post Commander, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.; and Secretary, Association of Graduates, USMA. Hines '37, retired on 1 September to accept a position on the faculty of The Citadel.

Guest Lecturer Visits USMA — by Remote

An elective course offered by the Department of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences (old Drawing Department) covers the geography of Russia. What better way to open the course than to invite a guest lecturer, an expert on the subject, to come and talk to the class? Agreed. The visiting expert would be Father Georges Bissonnette, a recognized Kremlinologist, and academic dean at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass. Father Bissonnette had lived in Moscow for three years and had already lectured at the Command and General Staff College and at the War College. But when the Father could not make the trip to West Point on the appointed day, ES&GS added a new dimension to the department's teaching technique. Father Bissonnette talked to the class via telephone.

Gathered together in a small conference room equipped with special telephone that amplifies the speaker's voice, the cadets first heard their guest lecturer emphasize the importance of knowing Russian geography and then plied him with questions. What was originally planned as a ten-minute session had eventually to be terminated after half an hour.

Enthusiastic about the success of the "telephone lecture," ES&GS issues an alert to Astronaut Frank Borman. Students in the department's course in Astronautics want to talk to him.

The Board of Trustees at their 1 October 1966 meeting at West Point, directed the Secretary to publicize to *all* the graduates again, the fact that their suggestions are welcomed on all matters of particular interest to the Association. All such correspondence, directed to the Secretary, will receive his personal attention.



Colonel Brown (right) receives the Legion of Merit from General Bennett, USMA Superintendent. Award was for service at CONARC.

Brown H.M. '41, AOG Secretary

An artilleryman replaced an artilleryman when Horace Brown succeeded Randy Hines as alumni secretary on 1 September.

Brown was commissioned in the artillery at graduation and by 1942 had joined the 88th Division at Camp Gruber, Okla. The following year he went to North Africa with the 88th and fought with it through its campaigns in Italy. Since the war, he has attended the Artillery School, the C&GS course at Leavenworth, and commanded the 57th FA Battalion, 7th Infantry Division in Korea. In 1957 he joined the staff and faculty at Leavenworth and for three of his four years there was assigned to the Combat Developments department.

Throughout his service, Brown has served frequently as an operations and training staff officer, notably in Izmir, Turkey, where he was Chief of Organization and Training, G3 Division, Headquarters LANDSOUTHEAST, and at CONARC, Fort Monroe, where he was Chief of the Training and Analysis Branch. He came to West Point from Fort Monroe.

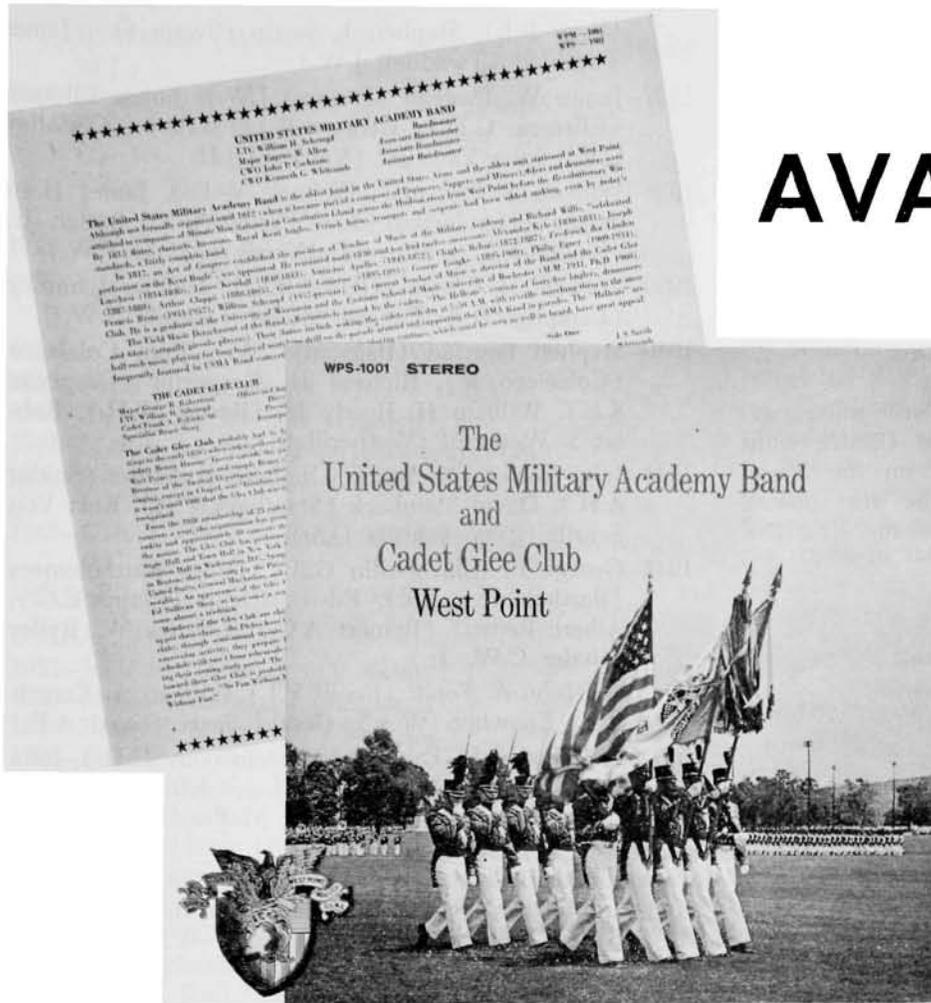
The Colonel is married to the former Lucia (Chick) Sloan and has a daughter Susan, 20, and a son John, 17.

Since his arrival at West Point, Col. Brown has been awarded the Legion of Merit for his work at CONARC. Gen. Bennett, USMA Superintendent, made the presentation.

The following are excerpts from the citation accompanying the award:

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were formed to monitor the joint aspects of large-scale USSTRICOM/USCONARC exercises. These teams proved highly effective for assessing lessons learned during joint exercises and served as a basis for recommending actions to improve Army capabilities during joint operations. . . Colonel Brown was instrumental in the preparation of a series of pamphlets entitled, "Operations Lessons Learned," for the purpose of disseminating training lessons through an analysis of events experienced in actual operations in Vietnam and other overseas areas. [This series] has been of inestimable value to subordinate commanders and has further served to increase the interest and enthusiasm of individual trainees.

Department Head Returns

Col. Donald G. MacWilliams '44, having completed his postgraduate studies for a Ph.D. in chemistry at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, has assumed his duties as Head of the Department of Physics and Chemistry. His degree will be awarded in February 1967.

MacWilliams served as an Infantry officer for nine years after graduation and then transferred to the Chemical Corps. He returned first to the Academy in 1956 and taught chemistry until 1959. Three years later he was assigned again to the Department and when Gen. Gillette retired in 1964, MacWilliams became a permanent professor. The following June he was named to succeed Janarone '38, as Head of the Department and left soon thereafter to enroll at R.P.I. Lt. Col. E.A. Saunders '46, was acting Head of the Department in his absence.

Search Is on for White House Fellows

For the third year, a nationwide search is about to be made for outstanding men and women between the ages of 23 and 35 to serve as White House Fellows.

This program was inaugurated by President Johnson in 1964 for the purpose of providing potential young leaders with "first-hand, high-level experience with the workings of the Federal Government and to increase their sense of participation in national affairs." Selected Fellows are assigned for one year as assistants to White House staff members, the Vice President, Cabinet officers, or other top government officials. The first group of 15 Fellows completed their one-year assignments in August and the new group of 18 began their work in September. Among those selected so far are lawyers, scientists, engineers, business executives, military officers, university professors, a writer, and a social worker. All have been paid stipends, depending on their age, up to \$15,000.

To be eligible, applicants should have completed their education and be started in their careers. Each is expected to have demonstrated exceptional ability, marked leadership qualities, unusual promise of future development, and high moral character. Candidates may apply as individuals or they may be nominated by an organization, but in either case an official application must be submitted. Applications will not be accepted from candidates overseas unless they are scheduled to return to the U.S. before the regional interviews that are held in the spring.

Applications for the Fellow-year beginning in Sep-

tember 1967 must be in the hands of the program director by 6 January 1967.

Interested candidates are encouraged to write for forms and additional information about the program to Thomas W. Carr, Director, Commission on White House Fellows, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20500.

President Johnson, who has a strong personal interest in the work of the Fellows, says of the program, "It has exceeded my highest expectations."

Academies Welcome Sons of USMA Graduates

Sixty-six proud West Point fathers are commiserating with Plebe sons (Class of 1970) at USMA; eight more are getting firsthand information on the Naval Academy's plebe system; and twenty-one are sending boodle to fledglings at the Air Force Academy. (Fathers' names are in parentheses.)

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- Jun 1943—Harold H. Dunwoody (Dunwoody H.H.), John B. Fishback (Fishback J.L.), John Greenwalt (Greenwalt W.J.), Robert E. Mathe (Mathe R.E.), Albert Shiely (Shiely A.R.)
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June Week 1967

With the conclusion of Homecoming 1966, the Superintendent and his staff have had a better opportunity to evaluate the newly inaugurated policy of dividing the 5-year reunion classes between June Week and Homecoming. It was expected that this division would work to the convenience of all by offering a better balance between alumni attendance and the local capacity to support both groups.

The plan followed in this first year of the new policy fixed the division between the 25th and the 20th year reunion classes—the latter to be the senior class at the Homecoming-Reunion ceremonies. A review of this plan now reveals: an estimated 515 alumni returned for Homecoming and an estimated 430 for June Week; 1,250 attended the Homecoming dinner-dance and 700 attended the same function during June Week.

The attendance figures, the expectation that the Homecoming attendance would be increasing as the larger classes return for their reunions, and the advantage of having accommodations available in barracks and at Ladycliff during June Week, all point up the desirability of making further adjustment. Consequently, beginning with June Week 1967 the division will be made *between the 20th and the 15th year reunion classes*, i.e., the Class of

1947 will be asked to observe its reunion during June Week; the Class of 1952 will be the senior class at the Homecoming-Reunion ceremonies.

As in the past, first priority for support and use of available facilities during June Week will be given to the 50th year reunion class; other 5-year reunion classes—20th year and above—will be supported in priority according to seniority. For Homecoming, priority will be determined also by seniority of 5-year reunion classes.

In accordance with the carefully expressed wishes of the Superintendent, all of the traditional alumni activities associated with June Week will also be scheduled during Homecoming. This policy was followed with considerable success in October 1966.

The 1967 June Week program that has been approved by the Superintendent will again feature alumni activities during the earlier part of the week, leaving the latter part open to the families and friends of the graduating class.

June Week Alumni Activities

Friday 2 June	0800	Alumni Headquarters opens—Cullum Hall.
	1630	Unit Awards Review—the Plain.
Saturday 3 June	1830	Informal dutch-treat cocktail parties—WPAM.
	2030	Alumni Dinner—Washington Hall.
	2130	Superintendent's Reception for Alumni—Washington Hall.
	2215	Alumni Dance—Washington Hall.
	0800	Catholic Alumni Mass—Catholic Chapel.
	0830-1030	Colonel Thayer's Office Open—Qtrs. 100.
	0900	Memorial Service (Holy Communion)—Cadet Chapel.
	0930	Board of Trustees' Meeting—WPAM.
	0945	ARMY-Navy golf match—at West Point.
	1100	Alumni Exercises—Thayer Monument.
Sunday 4 June	1130	Alumni Review—the Plain.
	1230	Alumni Luncheon (AOG Annual Meeting)—Washington Hall.
	1230	Alumni Ladies' Luncheon—WPAM.
	1400	ARMY-Navy track meet—Shea Stadium.
	1400	ARMY-Navy baseball game—Doubleday Field.
	1700	Class dinners/picnics.
	0800	Underclass Protestant services—South Auditorium.
	0800	Underclass Catholic services—Catholic Chapel.
	0845	Baccalaureate services—Cadet Chapel.
	0930	Jewish Baccalaureate services—Old Cadet Chapel.
1030	Baccalaureate Catholic Mass (First Class)—Catholic Chapel.	
	1100	Baccalaureate services—Cadet Chapel.
	1200	Alumni Headquarters closes.

More detailed information will be made available to representatives of 5-year reunion classes, but the Classes concerned are urged to start making plans around the above schedule.

The matter of billets becomes increasingly critical with each passing year, especially for those graduates who return with their wives and children. The Alumni Secretary will continue to process requests for billets in barracks and at Ladycliff (forms will be mailed out with the June Week Bulletin in the spring), but individuals (or Classes) must make their own arrangements for hotel and motel accommodations. This includes the Thayer Hotel where space is usually only available for the most senior 5-year reunion classes—and then only for a part of June Week.

Several reunion classes, notably '36 and '41, made large, block reservations at the larger motels in the area this past year and from all reports were well satisfied with the service they received.

Pennsylvanian Named to Lead the Corps

Latest to add his name to the long list of great names who have occupied the First Captain's quarters (now back in the 1st Div), is Jack B. Wood of Johnstown, Pa. As the ranking cadet in the Corps he will command the 3,200-man brigade.

This talented, Company E-1, cadet, already a proven leader, has been on the dean's list for three years, has twice won the Association of Graduates' leadership award, played "A" squad football until he was sidelined with a leg injury as a Yearling, is an active outdoor enthusiast and member of the skeet club, and president of the mathematics forum. He is also one of the few First Captains to serve concurrently as chairman of the honor committee, a job almost as demanding of a cadet's time and energies as commanding the Corps of Cadets.

Cadet Wood was appointed to the Academy by Congressman John P. Saylor of Pennsylvania immediately following his graduation from Johnstown High School. There Wood had been president of the senior class, an all-state guard on the football team, a member of the wrestling team, ranked second in his class, was a Boy Scout, and belonged to the order of Demolay. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Wood, live on Hereford Lane in Johnstown.

A younger brother, Gerald L. Wood, entered with the plebe class in July.



Cadet First Captain Jack B. Wood at a July parade on the Plain. He wears the Sierra summer uniform.

USMA TWX . . .

Col. R.W. Samz '41, joined the Dept. of Ord. as permanent Assoc. Prof. in September after two years at Ariz. State U. (Tempe) where he was working towards his Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering. He has the M.S.M.E. degree from Michigan U. Samz was with CDC, Fort Belvoir, before being assigned as a student at Tempe. . . ▶ Lt. Cols. D.F. Burton '47, and G.M. Montgomery, Dept. of Ord., USMA, have received professional degrees in Industrial Engineering from Columbia U. Burton completed the advanced graduate course (doctorate level) in operations research and management; Montgomery, now assigned to AFSC, did his work in the field of operations research. . . ▶ Maj. T.R. Peterson '53, MA&E, attended a 3-day conference at M.I.T. in July on a Ford Foundation grant. Peterson was one of a group of selected civil engineers from industry, government, and educational institutions to receive an orientation on the use of computers in civil engineering at the Computer Systems Workshop. . . ▶ On

25 September Maj. D.R. Palmer '56, MA&E, was guest speaker to a group of 1,500 members of the Steuben Society of Philadelphia. Palmer's talk, presented in Independence Square in Philadelphia, focused on Baron Von Steuben's activities at West Point during the Revolutionary War and on the role he played in establishing the Military Academy on the site of the historic old fortress. . . ▶ Seven instructors from MA&E completed the tour of the eastern Civil War battlefields during the summer. Led by Lt. Col. John Rutledge Jr. '50, the group visited Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, and Petersburg. The 1,400-mile trip also included a tour of the Shenandoah Valley, scene of Stonewall Jackson's legendary campaigns. . . ▶ Lt. Cols. S.E. Reinhart Jr. '50, and R.B. Andreen '49, Assoc. Profs. in the Dept. of Electricity were awarded Ph.D. degrees by Georgia Institute of Technology this past summer.

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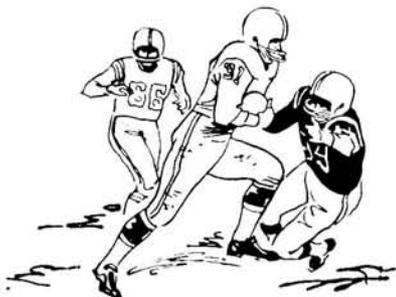


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THE concern of many that ARMY football might be a long time coming back after the coaching shake-up which occurred last spring had given way to a pleasant optimism by mid-October as the 1966 squad boasted a 4-1 record at mid-season.

Those four victories in the first five games equaled the entire victory record of each of the 1964 and 1965 seasons—and there are still five more games to be played. Wins against Kansas State (21-6), Holy Cross (14-0), Penn State (11-0) and Rutgers (14-9) were overshadowed only by the 35-0 setback at the hands of Notre Dame. That same Irish team is right near the top of the national ratings and at this writing is already being touted for the No. 1 spot in the nation.

Coach Tom Cahill was joined by assistant Bill Meek from the Dallas Cowboys, Bob Ward from Iowa State, Bob Mischak (USMA '54) from the Oakland Raiders, and Ralph Hawkins from the Miami Dolphins during the summer and together they welcomed 112 grid candidates in mid-August. The getting-acquainted process took time and so did the introduction of Coach Cahill's new offenses and defenses.

Since the 1966 starters have not changed a great deal from the beginning of the season, here is a look at the men who are playing for ARMY this fall.

Coach Ward, aided by Hawkins and Leon Cross, who was with the staff a year ago, built his five-man defensive line around lettermen Bud Neswiacheny and Dave Rivers at the ends and Tom Schwartz at tackle. Two newcomers share the fourth, or tackle, spot: Steve Yarnell, a Yearling, started the season but when he was injured, Second Classman Elwood Cobey replaced him. Cobey, whose father is athletic director at the University of Maryland, came up by way of the B-team (1965) and the 150-pound squad as a Plebe. At middle guard, the fifth man on the line, is another Second Classman, Pat Mente, a 1965 reserve.

Team captain Townsend Clarke heads the linebackers. For the first time since 1962, ARMY has a captain for the entire season, and all-America candidate Clarke was the overwhelming choice of the returning lettermen. First Classman Dean Hansen, Second Classman Jim Bevans and Yearling Ken Johnson are the other linebackers, Johnson filling in, in the reserve role.

Don Dietz, who has been a starter for three years, is flanked by a pair of 1965 reserves, Second Classman Hank Toczykowski and First Classman Hank Uberecken as the deep backs.

The new offense, conceived by Coach Meek with help from Mischak and Tad Schroeder (he worked with the quarterbacks last year) has Terry Young and Gary Steele at split and tight end respectively, Keith Harrelson and Mike Neuman at the tackles, John Montanaro and John Nerdahl, guards, and Don Roberts at center. Montanaro



ARMY's man of the hour, Coach Tom Cahill, ponders pre-game strategy as members of his 1966 squad loosen up before the kickoff in the opening game against Kansas State. No. 66 is guard, Frank Nader.

and Neuman are First Classmen; Steele, the first Negro to play varsity football at West Point, is a Yearling; the other four linemen are Second Classmen. Steele and Harrelson are the non-lettermen.

A pair of newcomers, Yearlings Steve Lindell and Jim O'Toole, share the quarterback tasks. Lindell is the better runner, O'Toole the better passer, and Coach Cahill was still not set on his No. 1 quarterback after five games.

Lindell handles the kickoffs and placements. Nick Kurilko, the regular punter last year, excelled in the first three games but ran into trouble with Academy regulations and was dropped from the team after the third game. Ron Wasilewski, who kicked for the Plebes last fall, rose to the occasion and proceeded to run up a 41-yard average on 18 boots in his first two games.

Lettermen complete the backfield. That halfbacks are Second Classmen John Peduto and Carl Woessner; and Mark Hamilton, a two-year veteran, is the fullback.

That's the personnel picture and here is a capsule summary of what they have done. Against Kansas State, Peduto had a field day. He ran 70 yards for one score and 31 for another. Young and Steele each caught four passes as Lindell and O'Toole completed 12 out of 25 for 170 yards. The defense, except for a 92-yard touchdown run by Lewis of Kansas State, played especially well. They limited Kansas State to 33 yards passing and 180 yards rushing.

The Holy Cross contest saw ARMY score in the second and fourth periods to blank the Crusaders. The fullbacks did the scoring, Hamilton bulling over from the one, and Chuck Jarvis, who plays behind Hamilton, going in from the two. The pass-catching specialists, Young and Steele, each caught four more in this game.

The defensive unit limited quarterback Jack Lentz of Holy Cross to a minus one yard rushing, a significant figure considering that Lentz holds his school's rushing record. The Crusaders' total for the day was: 44 yards on the ground and 95 in the air.

Rain greeted the sell-out Homecoming crowd, and in the wettest game in years, ARMY blanked Penn State, 11-0.

The Cadets elected to receive the opening kickoff, a change in the usual wet-weather strategy which normally calls for using the foot to put the opponent deep in his own territory. A pass interception by Uberecken and a 38-yard return to the State 1, set up the first score. Lindell bucked it over. He missed the conversion, but later in the first half he added a 27-yard field goal.

The defense was superb that afternoon. They caused six fumbles and recovered four of them. They grabbed three of the Lions' 17 passes, and they got credit for the final two points when Rivers and Townsend Clarke dumped quarterback Spaziano in the end zone for a safety.

Notre Dame scored five times in the first half as the Hanratty-to-Seymour combination demonstrated why it is rated one of the best in the college ranks today.

The deadlocked second half saw the Irish No. 2 offense attempting to penetrate the ARMY defense while Coach Cahill countered by sending his No. 2 attack unit against the Notre Dame No. 1 defenders.

It was another good day for the Cadets at Rutgers a week later—the game followed the formal ground-breaking for the College Football Hall of Fame. The largest crowd

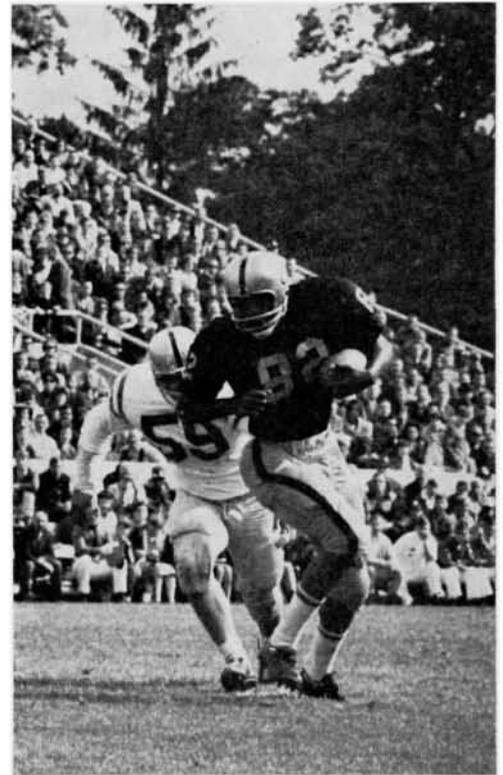
in Rutgers history, some 30,000 fans, was on hand for the closely contested game.

There were some trying moments for Coach Cahill and the ARMY fans, but the Cadets won, 14-9.

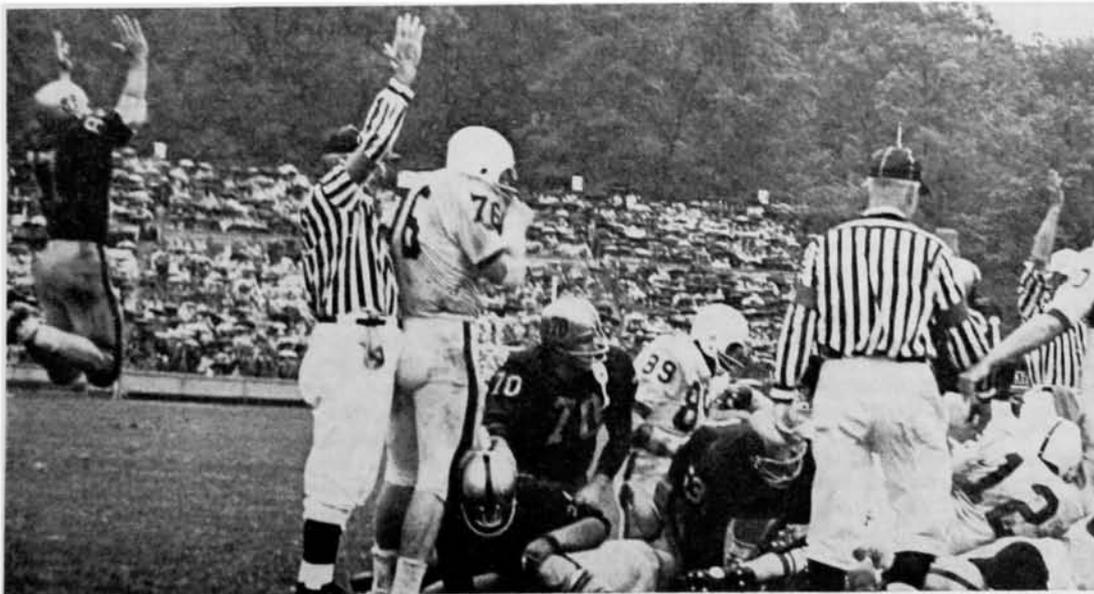
Again it was the defensive unit that excelled, setting up scoring opportunities with crucial fumble recoveries in Rutgers territory. Clarke and Hansen each recovered fumbles, both on the 30-yard line. Lindell and O'Toole scored, each eventually bucking over from the one. Lindell kicked both points.

Rutgers was never in front, trailing 7-3 at the half, and the Rutgers touchdown on a pass play only narrowed the margin to 14-9 in the third period. The stubborn ARMY defense picked up three more pass interceptions in this game and held the Rutgers rushing attack to 34 yards on 35 plays.

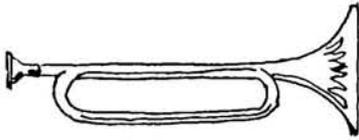
Three ARMY players had already won all-East honors by mid-season. Steele was named Sophomore-of-the-Week
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Yearling Gary Steele, one of ARMY's leading pass receivers at mid-season, attempts to shake Holy Cross defender after catching a pass.



Touchdown! Somewhere at the bottom of the pile is quarterback Steve Lindell who has just scored ARMY's only touchdown in Homecoming game against Penn State. ARMY won: 11-0.



REPORT



'91

Missing from the head of column of graduates during June Week was the familiar figure of Sorley. His doctors forbade him to make his regular visit to West Point. On 15 August Sorley joined the Long Gray Line of his West Pointer comrades, leaving Glasgow and Hines to carry on the tradition of '91.

Our Association membership of 18,111 represents more than 95% of our living graduates.

Graduates and former cadets who are not now members of the Association are cordially invited to contact the Secretary for the appropriate application form.

His address:

Secretary
Association of Graduates
West Point, N.Y. 10996

'99

Lt. Gen. Charles D. Herron
7611 Fairfax Road
Bethesda, Md. 20014

"Shorty" Kromer is gone! Small but mighty, he barely scraped by the minimum height when he entered the Academy, but he did well in his studies and was enough of a man to make the football and baseball teams and to become a crack gymnast; so good that he was returned to the Academy after graduation as an instructor in gymnastics and coach of the baseball team. In his first-class year he was captain of the football team, and as halfback, carried the ball his share of the time standing the mighty of Yale, Harvard, and Princeton on their heads when they came into his territory. His playing weight was 140 pounds! After graduation, a cavalryman, he was one of the best, and in his time became Chief of Cavalry. He will long be remembered for his ready wit, his twinkling blue eyes, and his splendid character. He was buried at West Point in early September, beside his son Bill, lost in the Battle of the Bulge. The service was read by his son John, a minister of the Episcopal Church. He is survived by his sons John and Leon, his daughter Jane, eleven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

The Kellys are off again to winter in San Diego.

The Herrons are moving to Hawaii to be near their daughter Louise, wife of Col. R.W. Ripple, Ret. Their place in Bethesda, where so many '99 and West Point parties were staged over the 35 years of their residence, had become too big for them. They will be in Honolulu in the Arcadia Apartment.

'01

Brig. Gen. Beverly F. Browne
"Druid Hill"
Front Royal, Va. 22630

The following letter from Bobby Beck gives a very pleasant picture of his summer home in Minnesota.

"The 'Bivouac' consists of a main cottage, a guest cottage used by my in-laws and grandchildren (5), and buildings for various utilities; 17 acres of wooded land, with the good smell of pine trees, and 225 feet of sandy beach. The lake is 2½ by 2 miles,



1901: Beverly Browne with friend at "Druid Hill," the Browne home.

and reflects the colors of the beautiful sunsets we have in this north country. A sailboat and a motor boat make the lake fishing available, and also afford sporty sailing. Bathing is in wonderfully cool, invigorating water; open fires are often needed in the cool evenings, especially in August and September. We leave for Washington in late September, when Washington begins to cool off. I do little but sit on the front porch and enjoy the youngsters as they water ski and swim, but none of that for me.

"Mrs. B. and I are fine; I send my best wishes to those classmates that no longer come to Washington. A table at the Army-Navy Club is still reserved for 1901 every Wednesday at 12:30 p.m.

"Good to hear from you, Beverly. Mrs. Beck joins me in sincere wishes to you and Louise."



1901: Irish Larkin poses for his birthday photo.

Another very nice letter was received from Claude Brigham in Carmel, Calif. "I have noted that there are only nine members of the Class remaining, plus those in civil life; how many I do not know, but my greetings to them all.

"We feel that we have chosen the ideal place for retired people to live; Carmel has an excellent climate, is full of retired officers of both Army and Navy, as well as attractive civilians. We have a comfortable home facing the ocean. We are not as active as we used to be, but we do have excellent help to take care of us and to make life easier, since we are not as well as we could wish.

"Elsie joins me in very best wishes to Louise and to you."

We were delighted to have a note from "Irish" Larkin, in Santa Monica, Calif. He enclosed a splendid snapshot taken on his 89th birthday that pictured him standing by a portrait of himself in cadet uniform. The portrait was painted by his daughter-in-law from a photograph that he sat for in the old gymnasium in 1897. We congratulate him on both pictures. Larkin was the foremost singer of 1901 and writes that he always enjoys hearing the cadet choir when they appear on TV.

Word from Margery Shinkle (June): "Ed sends his greetings to all of 1901 who are still on hand. He is very sorry he will not be able to go to the 65th Reunion, but in spirit he will be with all those who are able to be together this June and with all those who stayed at home. We shall toast the Class here by ourselves. Ed never goes out, but we are always glad to welcome our friends."

Margery adds that they are very comfortable in their apartment in an up-to-date, new building in San Francisco.

It has been a great satisfaction to receive such good messages of greeting from several classmates. As for myself, I am glad to report that both of the Beverly Brownes are in better-than-average health. We feel that we owe a lot of our well being to the serenity

of life in beautiful country surroundings, away from the strain and rush of a city but close enough to a town to enjoy its conveniences.

We don't travel as much as we used to. It is nine years since we have been as far from home as Arizona, but I still follow athletic events on TV and radio with great interest, and I find plenty to occupy me around the place, always accompanied by my Chesapeake Bay dog. I have included a photo of dog and master in the column. Louise still keeps up many of her local interests. We read the Notes from other Classes in ASSEMBLY with close attention, and are always interested in the mention of old friends.

We salute the members of the Class and the wives of 1901 and all those others whom we know. Best wishes to all!

'02

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

The Bells still make their headquarters in Washington, D.C., although Mrs. Bell was away most of the summer visiting their daughter in Manhattan, and Fisher's Island where their eldest grandson was married. Her travels also included Washington, Pa., the Chautauqua, and a visit to a friend in North Carolina.

Information has been received that Samuel Frankenger passed away on 26 May 1966. He had been living with one of his daughters, Mrs. Benjamin H. White, at 3714 Stargazer Avenue, San Pedro, California.

A contribution was made from the class fund to the West Point Superintendent's Fund as a memorial to our classmate.

The Griffiths paid a brief visit to Washington, D.C., in July to attend the funeral services for Mrs. Griffith's sister, Mrs. Robert Sterrett.

'03

Col. Dorsey R. Rodney
938 Huntington Road
East Lansing, Mich. 48823

Clifford Jones writes from Norcross, Ga. He has bought a small cottage at Coconut Grove, Miami, where he plans to spend several months in the winter when the cold drives him out of Georgia. He is also enlarging his house in Norcross by adding to the first floor just in case he finds the trip to Florida too exhausting. He is writing Kilbourne's obituary for ASSEMBLY, and says that he only hopes his own obituary will be delayed until the aforesaid plans are completed.

Turtle writes that he is as well as we "old crocks" can expect to be. He and Maida are concerned about the problem of fluoridation, which they strongly disapprove. I suppose "The Great Silurian" has many plans to improve the world, and he is doing it, too. Jake Wuest is now back in Orlando from his annual retreat at Bad Ems. He had a fine holiday over there midst lovely surroundings. He seems to have had his most difficult time getting from Atlanta to Orlando on his way back.

Clark Lynn wrote a brief note saying that he is doing fairly well. Marion Howze wrote, envying anyone who has been up in Maine this summer. He used to visit Norway, Maine. Colley always writes, but his notes are short. He seems to be a sports enthusiast. Grant wrote that he has been busy as usual, but I imagine he is back on the job now, and in

the midst of things. He spent a holiday in the Adirondacks, which he seems to have enjoyed.

Ristine writes from Lakeland. He went to Chapel Hill to visit a daughter and her husband, both graduate students there, but on his return home he came down with a severe cold which has persisted.

John Franklin wrote that there is nothing new in his family except that while watering flowers he fell and cracked his head on the concrete curb, and that put him *hors de combat* for about a month. He is now back to normal, however.

Rodney spent most of the summer up in Maine. While there he had lunch with the Farnums. They have a wonderful house and grounds, and everything is electrified to the nth degree. I told "Puss" that all he has to do is to push a button to do everything except make his bed and digest his food, but I wonder what happens when the electricity goes off—as it frequently does. While up there, Rodney called on the widow of "Dad" Hawkins at Brunswick, Maine. She was off visiting in Washington, D.C. (What a time to leave Maine to go to Washington!) But he did see their daughter, Mrs. Wilson, and he told her that he feels a little responsible for her existence. While we were cadets, about 1902, someone asked him to escort a visiting girl to the cadet hop, and when he made out her hop card he put Hawkins' name on the card—and it led to a wedding! This was a romance born! Hawkins also organized a cruise that 8 classmates took on a chartered schooner-yacht up the New England coast for about two weeks just after graduation. Rodney is the only one of the group still living. Rodney also called the widow of Sep Black '02 who lives in Searsport, Maine. She is one of four sisters living in that seacoast town, and they are all easy on the eyes.

We lost two classmates in July and one in August. Kilbourne died at Fitzsimons Hospital and is buried at Arlington. Winfree died at Walter Reed and is buried at West Point. Dick Moore died rather suddenly. He was an avid golfer, but he was walking, not playing, on the golf course at Pebble Beach, Calif., when he dropped dead. He was buried at Fort Leavenworth. Rodney is preparing Winfree's obituary for ASSEMBLY.

Anyone who has not yet sent his statistical data to the Association of Graduates at West Point is again urged to do so, and do include a photograph of yourself—of whatever vintage.

This leaves 14 classmates still living. A lot of fine men are defecting to the Long Gray Line. This, of course, improves the quality of that Line, but for heaven's sake, KEEP LIVING!

'04

Maj. Gen. William Bryden
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Washington, D.C. 20008

Conger Pratt died at Walter Reed General Hospital on 6 April 1966. Burial was in Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia.

Word has been received of the death of Wheeler M.D. in Cavendish, Vermont, on 26 July 1966. Burial was in the cemetery in Cavendish.

Le Compte, who was with us in the Corps for about three years, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, on 16 July 1966.

The Neals have a new address: 249 Bon Air St., La Jolla, California 92037.

I have received word of the death of Wright C.H. from his daughter, Mrs. T.J.

Down the Field

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for his play against Holy Cross; Kurilko was picked as a lineman (he was a guard as well as the punter) against Penn State; and Clarke was cited as a center on the strength of his 18 tackles in the Notre Dame game.

Looking ahead, there are some big hurdles before the Navy game, but football is definitely back in the limelight at West Point. There are even those who talk of the Lambert Trophy in 1966, a subject that hasn't been raised since 1958.

Other Sports Start Fast

ARMY fortunes were also bright in the other three fall sports, all three teams opening their 1966 seasons with noteworthy success.

The 150-pound footballers opened with a 4-0 victory over Rutgers, the points coming on two safeties. The quarterback spot is still a problem in mid-October and a couple of injuries to key players have forced Coach Eric Tipton to do some lineup shuffling. But the little gridders are set to make a strong bid for another title. Their big game—against Navy—will be played at West Point on 29 October.

The cross-country team started the season with what could have been the finest squad in Academy history. Then disaster struck. Team captain Jim Warner, the lone First Classman on the roster, came down with mononucleosis and missed the first six meets. He returned at mid-season but has yet to regain his winning form. Then, Paul DeCoursey had to withdraw on orders from the medics. And finally, Bob McDonald, another fine Second Class prospect, came down with an ankle injury to add to Coach Crowell's woes.

Even with these losses the Cadets still won their first seven meets, all by impressive scores. Second Classman Greg Camp has been the standout. The team's depth is paying dividends, but only time will tell if it is strong enough to carry ARMY through defense of its Heptagonal title, its bid for the IC4A crown, and a repeat victory over Navy.

The soccer team, aspiring to a fourth straight NCAA championship bid, launched its season with a decisive 9-0 win over the Merchant Marine Academy. Then came a 2-2 double-overtime tie with Yale, a couple of defensive mistakes setting up both Eli scores.

This tie game was not without some merit, however, for the Cadet booters stormed back with three solid wins: a 12-1 rout of Notre Dame, a 10-0 win over the Coast Guard Academy, and finally, a satisfying 3-1 victory over a Penn State team that had been pointing to this game with the Cadets.

vided a convenient escape from the searching eyes of the upperclassmen. Besides, we walruses enjoyed the 'special tutoring' of the aging Billy Cavanaugh. After 25 years at the Academy, everyone knew that Billy was the finest boxing instructor in the business, but as a swimming instructor his technique was somewhat less than professional. I will remember his peculiar pool-side manner—his head cocked to one side as he demonstrated the different strokes with flailing arms. Under the circumstances we were less concerned about learning to swim than we were about the emergency measures we would have to take if Billy should suddenly fall into the pool. But in spite of these handicaps, when spring came, I suddenly found myself swimming like a fish! What choice did I have? The Master of the Sword had given me his ultimatum: 'Swim or no C-squad baseball!' I swam."

As an athlete who can already look back on a career of increasingly important assignments, Colonel Capka recognizes the importance of athletics in the development of the "whole" cadet. He cites the observation of Sylvanus Thayer: "All training for the military profession is useless without character building," and adds, "the Academy's intercollegiate and intramural athletic programs have proven to be positive factors in the building and strengthening of cadet character."

Capka also relates participation in sports with mental development. "The driving spirit of tough competition, the selfless teamwork of coordinated play, and the urgent requirement that the player, based on split-second decisions, react instantaneously to unexpected conditions on the playing field—this is the sort of thing that is being imposed constantly on the cadet athlete. Aggressiveness and desire are qualities we like to see in our cadet athletes, and only by exposing them to a high caliber of competition can we bring those traits to the optimum level in the individual."

Colonel Capka comes to West Point from the Pentagon where he was assigned to the office of the Secretary of Defense. With him are his wife, the former Mary Julia Hundermark of Columbus, Ga., and three sons: Jerry Jr., David, and Vincent. A fourth son, J. Richard, remains in Rockville, Md., to complete his senior year at Robert E. Peary High School where he is lettering in football, basketball, and baseball.

Conway, wife of the commanding general of the Seventh Army in Europe. Wright was living in Scarsdale at the time of his death on 10 Sept. He was buried at Arlington on 15 Sept. Wright's widow, Mary, lives in the Thornycroft Apts., Scarsdale, N.Y.

'06

Col. Charles G. Mettler
2227 Pickens Road
Augusta, Ga. 30904

The great moment for 1906, after having been duly and enthusiastically celebrated during June Week at West Point, has now passed into history. Either accidentally or intentionally, no representatives of Classes graduating before 1906 were present, thus giving the Class the senior position in all the June Week Exercises. For this pleasant happening, our Class expresses its thanks to all those earlier Classes.

Gen. Ralph Pennell was the oldest graduate present, thus giving him the honor of leading the Alumni March as the Grand Marshal, flanked on the right by Superintendent Bennet and on the left by the President of the Association of Graduates, Schuyler. Behind them followed the front rank of the March, 5 members of 1906, an impressive group. The morning paper of Lawton, Okla., spread across its front page an AP photo of the March showing its senior citizen proudly stepping forth. A laudatory article followed recounting some of the highlights of Gen. Pennell's career. "Hap" says of the Exercises, that they were fine examples of precision and beauty, and of the reunion banquet, it was a wonderful feast of companionship and reminiscence; no moaning at the bar; no tears in the beer; just gentle reminders of the long 64 years since we donned the uniform of the Army.

In a personal letter, Gen. Bennett tells me: "Although you weren't able to be present to celebrate your 60th Reunion with us, you can take satisfaction in knowing that you were missed by a sizable contingent. I had many opportunities to visit with Gen. Hoyle, and I can assure you that he saw to your classmates' every need while they were here. You could not have chosen a better man to represent you.

"The rehabilitation of the Mazenet Collection of Music is about to go forward thanks to your class's generous donation. I should also mention how grateful we are to Miss Anna Mathews for her grand gesture on behalf of her late brother, Philip Mathews. It will pay for the bronze history panels mounted outside the main entrance of the library, and a plaque featuring your class crest, will soon be installed to commemorate this wonderful gift." Thanks, Anna, for your thoughtfulness which we all applaud!

Though the Master said, "He who puts his hand to the plow and looking backward, is not fit to enter..." the members of 1906 have long since, and often reluctantly, taken their hands from the plow handles and turned the reins over to their successors, we may be excused for this late look backward at the furrow. Academically, in our 4 cadet years, the Class amassed credits second only to one other up to its time of graduation. Athletically, the ARMY team was not beaten once. The class gathered 11 big ARMY A's. Since that important moment of graduation, the members have gathered laurels in the Philippines, in Cuba, and in two world wars. How I would like to mention them! We feel that the furrow is straight enough over the long 64 years since the Class put on the uniform of the nation's army.

Joe King and Julia arrived safely back in San Antonio after that fine night visit to tell me of the great reunion. They found that Harriet O'Brien Smith had suffered severe strokes and is in a Methodist home. She is being looked after by her daughter, who is the wife of Gen. Harris, CG of Fort Sam Houston. She has been such a gallant person, caring for the schooling of several unfortunate children. Our deepest sympathy!

Jimmie Brett, son of Tow and Zillah, sent an announcement of the marriage of his daughter in San Francisco. Jimmy has prospered in real estate and insurance there.

Jack Wainwright, Skinny and Adele's son, writes to McKew Parr that he recently visited his mother in Colorado Springs—found her memory not much improved, but went for a ride around that pretty country and she seemed to enjoy the excursion. Jack is very busy with his nautical work in Jacksonville, Fla. He recently sent one of "Doc" Sturgill's water colors, which Doc had given to Skinny, back to grace the walls of the Army's mess, almost completing that splendid collection. McKew Parr sent a water color sketch of Jonathan Williams's house, once the Supe's home, which he had received from "Doc" and received the enthusiastic thanks for the decoration to the Supe's study. Parr has sent copies of his letters and photographs of himself shaking hands with Superintendent and Mrs. Bennett—very good pictures, too—but all the photos will be in ASSEMBLY adequately portraying the story. I will not add to them here.

Several letters have come from all the classmates and the many wives and widows who expressed their joy at the reunion festivities. No room for them either. All expressed their appreciation of the attention of "DeRuss" Hoyle and his aide. What a grand leader we had for the big party! The march which was played in honor of DeRuss at the Alumni Review is in my files, but I am waiting for a band to give it the air.

Bill Akin writes from his Sonoma hideout in northern California about his family and its doings. His son-in-law has returned from Danang safely and is now in southern California.

Earl McFarland and Edith report their arrival home at their Massachusetts Avenue apartment, and Earl is a bit worried about missing a photograph. I am sure there were plenty in which he appeared. He was enthusiastic about the whole show.

Elizabeth and I, after 2 months in the cool shades of Asheville, are back in our Pickens Road, Augusta, home, in better health and spirits. We were fortunate to find a splendid driver to get us around. Stop here when you flee the northern winter.

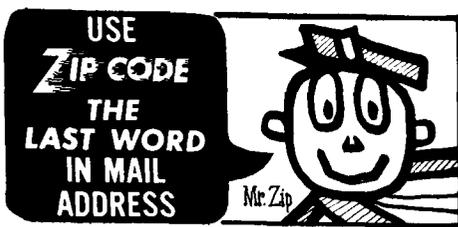
'07

Col. John S. Sullivan
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Waldo Potter, in a note of thanks for his class birthday card, said he was going to Kansas in mid-September to say au revoir to his son leaving soon for a year's duty in Southeast Asia. The son is now a permanent colonel in the Air Force.

Eddie Householder, in acknowledging his class birthday card, wrote that his wife Mary has four sisters, and that all were present at Eddie's to celebrate his birthday. Friends then gave a party for him at Idlewilde and another party for him later. As he says, he was well taken care of.

Dick and Maria Park flew in from Greece



in July. They left immediately for Dick's home in New Vineyard, Maine.

Ben Castle, whom all of us thought would be among the last of the Class to leave this world, shocked us when, on July 8th, he departed this life. Ben was proud of his physical stamina. He was on the golf course almost daily. He founded the West Point Society of D.C., and was its first president. He conducted the class activities of the Washington group. We shall miss him in many ways. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors with his Washington classmates serving as honorary pallbearers. That group includes Earl McFarland, '06, who, to all intents and purposes is also a member of 1907. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Marya and the other members of Ben's family. Hans Wagner sent the customary check to the Association of Graduates in memory of Ben.

Bob Arthur visited his son Bob Jr., at Cape May last June. Bob Jr., writes a couple of juvenile books each year in the field of mystery about "The Three Investigators" published under the aegis "Alfred Hitchcock Presents", a couple of anthologies for Hitchcock; and one of his own, published by Random House. His *Ghosts and More Ghosts* and *Davey Jones's Haunted Locker* were fairly successful. Bob's other son, Col. John Arthur, was in the offices of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He retired from the Army in the spring and went to work for the Far Eastern section of AID. On retiring he was given his third Legion of Merit. Bob says it makes him feel old to be a colonel, retired, father of a retired colonel. Thanks, Bob, for the notes, though it was difficult to extract them from you.

Mrs. Ray Hill died suddenly in July. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Ray and other members of the family. Only a few months ago the Hills gave up their house and moved into an apartment at 205 Ruelle, San Antonio, Texas, 78209.

Jack and Dorothy Crane-Cirne returned from a European-African vacation in July. They finally got to Morocco, which Dorothy (Harry Rutherford's daughter) described as a dream kingdom. They were in Waddington, N.Y., in May for the dedication of a new glass case with some 36 articles and photographs that belonged to Harry. This was in the A. Barton Hepburn Library. Waddington was Harry's hometown. He descended from one of the earliest landowners. There was a long newspaper account of the ceremony. The custom-built glass case and its contents were donated by Harry's daughter and son-in-law as a memorial to her father.

Fred H. Coleman died at McGuire Veterans' Hospital, Richmond, Va., on August 25th. Family and friends, including his Washington classmates, attended the burial service in Arlington National Cemetery. He was the father of a daughter and three sons, all three sons Academy graduates. John B. '38, is a colonel in the Air Force at McGuire AFB, N.J.; Robert M. '39, is a colonel in the Army stationed at Fort Hood; and Fred H. Jr., was in the Air Force. The latter was shot down over China but managed to get back

to the Air Force. He requested more missions and was shot down and killed ten days before the end of the war. Fred was a Spanish-American War Veteran. He was in the Cavalry until 1915, when he resigned. He came back to the regular service in 1920 as a major in the Army Air Corps. He liked everyone and everyone liked him. He appreciated anything done for him, however small. He was a delightful character. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Coleman and other members of the family. Mrs. Coleman lives at: Broadman Park Apts., Apt. 1, 2838 Broad Rock Road, Richmond, Va. Hans Wagner sent the customary check to the Association of Graduates in memory of Fred.

Writing in early July, Sandy Chilton said: "My rose bushes produced, at a conservative estimate, ten million blooms in the month of May, and are coming on again for the July flowering. Right now, my garden is full of lilies. From where I sit typing, I can see a flock of trumpets, bowls, and Turk's caps in white and gold that are most satisfying. I think the lily is the loveliest of the garden flowers." Charley Wyman please note.

Col. Wm. A. Canoe, the patriarch of the Class, closed this life on September 5th. A graduate of Dickinson College, he had a distinguished career. He attended the 60th Reunion of his Class at Dickinson when the college conferred upon him the honorary degree of doctor of literature. *The History of the United States Army and MacArthur Close-up* were his best known writings. He was working on a biography of MacArthur when illness forced him to stop. He had been closely associated with MacArthur when the latter was Superintendent of the Academy. The country and West Point have lost a soldier and scholar they could ill afford to lose. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to Rosie and other members of the family. Hans Wagner sent the usual check to the Association of Graduates in memory of Bill. Many thanks to Ivan C. Lawrence '19 for keeping the Washington group posted on Bill's fight to live.

Astronaut Michael Collins '52 (son of James and Virginia), who piloted the GEMINI X spacecraft, was promoted from major to lieutenant colonel. Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. McConnell advised Michael by telegram of the promotion. McConnell passed along to him his own and Air Force Secretary Harold Brown's congratulations for his significant space achievement along with best wishes for his continued success. Virginia was at Cape Kennedy for the blast-off.

Oliver Wood spent a delightful vacation in Mt. Rainier National Park "where flowers and glaciers meet."

Cornelis deW. W. Lang '35, son of Andy and Edith, retired from the Army as a brigadier general and is now working with the Martin Missile Corporation.

Youth is such a wonderful thing; what a crime that it is wasted on children.—George Bernard Shaw

'08

Maj. Gen. Glen E. Edgerton
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Washington, D.C. 20016

Spigot and "Liz" Ayres stopped off in Washington early in June en route to and from Lexington, Virginia, where they participated in the reunion of the V.M.I. Class of 1906, of which Spigot was a mischievous member before he became the same kind of member of the Class of 1908 at USMA.

In Washington he inspected the Grant Monument on which at his instance a plaque has been replaced attesting that members of the Class of 1908 were the models for the drivers of the caisson in that dramatic sculpture.

In response, no doubt, to the appeal in these Notes in the spring issue, John Hester wrote a nice letter from his home at 2911 Pharr Court, NW., Atlanta, Georgia, to let us know that he does read this column and that he and his wife Leila are comfortable and contented. Their health is generally good, except that she suffers from arthritis, "and one or two other ailments." They can both get around very well.

"Brownie" Nulsen reported promptly the sad news that Brig. Gen. Robert Clive Rodgers died in San Antonio, Texas, on 15 August 1966. He lies in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. Brownie arranged for flowers to be sent for the Class, and he represented us at the funeral.

George Goethals spent the summer at the family home in Vineyard Haven, Mass., and has returned to the University Club in New York for the winter.

Olin and Ruth Ellis spent the month of August at The Inn in Buck Hill Falls, Pa. Olin says it is a very fine place, but pervaded by old people, so that he could find very few of his age for companionship.

Olive (Mrs. Blaine A.) Dixon reports that she lives quietly and contentedly at 6144 West Blackburn Ave., Los Angeles. She is in frequent touch with Alice Carey but had no other special news to send.

Jimmie Burns is in Mexico again, this time in Acapulco. He says that he had a good trip down and that everything is OK.

'09

Maj. Gen. George L. Van Deusen
66 Tivoli Gardens Apartments
Bath and Westwood Avenues
Long Branch, N.J. 07740

Our Class was represented at the dedication of the Sylvanus Thayer Memorial in the Hall of Fame by Bill and Dorothy Reed.

Susanne Purdon contributes these notes in a letter dated 10 Sept: "In April I went to Washington, the first time in 15 years, to visit Betty North Clark (Earl North's daughter) and Ethel Wright. Had quite a whirl—dinner, luncheon, and callers. The Devers gave a delightful dinner. I saw Irene Ord, Peggy Milling, and Dorothy North who came for a few days' visit. In June, Dorothy came to Andover for 3 weeks, and then I went to Maine with her for a visit. She is now here for a few days on her way back to Norfolk, where she lives with her sister. I go to Tucson every winter for 6 weeks."

'10

Brig. Gen. Burton O. Lewis
The Berkshire, Apt. 6016-E
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Washington, D.C. 20016

Our Washington section of the country had a long hot summer which caused several 1910ers to seek vacations in cooler places. Alice Torrey had a delightful visit with her daughter Mrs. Wm. C. McHenry at her summer home in Canada.

The D.S. Wilsons vacationed at Ocean City, Maryland, during August, as has been their custom for a number of years.

Pappy Selleck also left Washington for a brief vacation on Lake Dunmore in his home state of Vermont. Pappy visited with his family and saw many old acquaintances in and around Rutland. The 550-mile drive up and back was mostly over excellent thruways which made the trip thoroughly enjoyable.

Betty Dean, Jack Heard's daughter, has returned from Honolulu where she flew to be with her husband, Brig. Gen. John R. Dean, who had been flown there from South Vietnam for a serious operation. Everything went well, and as soon as General Jack was able to leave the hospital, Betty got a cottage at Waikiki Beach for a short but delightful convalescence.

Tony and Hazel Frank did not get away for a summer vacation, but they have already started making plans for a long stay at the Lakeside Inn, Mt. Dona, Florida, this winter. They love this spot which they have visited for many years, and it does both of them a world of good.

Our Class is always sure to have at least one member in attendance at the annual ARMY-Navy football game in Philadelphia—Sam Edelman, who lives there and who has, over the years, done so much to enhance the warm welcome and genuine hospitality that Philadelphia extends to the visiting Corps of Cadets from West Point. Daddy Byars and Bob Dunlop were also at the game last year. They reported a grand time had by all, but are not sure that they will be able to repeat this year.

Mildred and John Millikin reported the marriage, on 20 August 1966, of their granddaughter, Sperry March Millikin, to 1st Lt. Donald J. Koterwas, Corps of Engineers (Class of 1964), who is stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. She is the daughter of Col. and Mrs. John Millikin Jr. (Class of 1941), of Wayneswood, Virginia, on duty in the Pentagon.

Gwladys Leonard is busily completing detailed plans for a 3-month world cruise and will depart from New York next January.

Pete Selleck is back at his desk in the Pentagon again after completing the short course at Fort Leavenworth. His wife Dolly and his young son drove out to bring Pete home. En route they visited family at Colorado Springs, Oklahoma City, and Akron, Ohio.

Kay and Bo Lewis are happy to report that Bo Jo and his wife Dotty and their three children will arrive in Washington for station about the first of December. They have just completed a 3-year tour with the U.S. Military Mission in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Ducky Reinhardt writes: "During late July and early August I spent 2 weeks in Michigan (my home state) attending my 60th high school class reunion. There were seven present: six widows and Ducky. We had a grand time." He then visited friends in Pennsylvania before coming out to Washington. The Class had a special luncheon for Ducky, who then departed for the 19th annual reunion of the 69th Infantry Division at Roanoke, Virginia. It was a great success, and, as Ducky wrote, "I was happy to feel what seemed a genuine affection for the 'Old Man.'" Ducky is mighty proud of his World War II Division.

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The 1911 class elm, now over 40 years old, stands majestically across the road north of the Clock Tower. A picture taken last June shows that the new barracks being built on the Plain north of old Central Barracks misses our tree by only some 20 feet. The other beautiful trees to the west toward Washington Hall are gone. The 1911 elm, now 2 feet through at the base, towers 50 feet over the ground below. A Class Committee report of

9 June 30, signed by Tod Larned, shows an expenditure of \$25 for that tree. More of us should see it as well as the construction of the great new barracks complex now under way at West Point.

The following item is also in the above report. "Stanton furnishes this bit of news, together with the free advertising: 'Franklin Kemble Jr., Class Cup Boy of 1911, will enter West Point this year. He attended the Stanton Preparatory Academy at Cornwall during the past year. All coming to our 20th Reunion next year will meet the first son of the Class to enter the Military Academy.'" Note: Young Franklin was retired as a colonel, U.S. Army, 4 years ago!

Polly and Wilfrid Blunt, along with other members of the Key family, were at Groton, Conn., for the recent christening of the submarine, *Francis Scott Key*. Bluntie is treasurer of the Society of Descendants of Francis Scott Key. In June the Bradfords were in St. Louis, where Karl met his new in-laws, and Buddie met many old friends. They were royally entertained.

A newsy letter in late August from Gertrude Booton told of her family-visiting since



1911: Col. Elizabeth P. Hoisington (daughter of Gregory), new WAC Director, meets Cadet First Captain Jack B. Wood and members of his staff following review at West Point. Col. Hoisington's three brothers also graduated from the Academy.

her attendance at 1911's reunion in early June. With her daughter, Mary Titherington, who was also at the reunion, she had been at McGuire AFB in New Jersey for a wedding, and to Selingsgrove, Pa., to visit her son John G. Booton Jr. His wife, who writes as "Kage Booton," has a new book, *Runaway Home*, coming out in January. On her way back to Litchfield, Gertrude and Mary spent a night at the Thayer Hotel where scores of New-Cadets-to-be were staying, and who would, the next day, be taken in army buses to report for duty.

The Crawfords came west in mid-June to visit Margaret's mother in Woodland, west of Sacramento; Jimmie returned east in early July. Margaret went east 2 months later to join him in New York City for the 5 Sept. celebration of his brother's 50th wedding anniversary. Ivo Dickinson, who has lived with her son and family in Chico, some distance north of Woodland, since Chester's death in 1962, wrote that in August the family was just back from a trip to Lake o' the Woods, out of Klamath Falls, Oreg., where they have had a cabin for over 40 years. The trip was to determine what was needed for repair and maintenance of the aged building. The answer was "much."

Those who follow the service journal saw in the 2 July issue that our Class Daughter, Elizabeth P. Hoisington, then CO of the

WAC Center and School at Fort McClellan, would on 1 Aug. become Director of the Women's Army Corps, with the rank of colonel. Elizabeth, whom I have had the privilege of knowing for many years, fully deserves this recognition and promotion. She entered the Army in 1942, has the Legion of Merit with OLC, Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and Croix de Guerre with Silver Star. Her family is well known in the Service. In addition to her father, our classmate Gregory Hoisington, she has three brothers who graduated from West Point, and two sisters who are married to service officers. Recommended reading and further information on our Elizabeth are on pages 18 and 19 of the September issue of *Army*.

Kitty and Harry Kutz flew to Salt Lake City for the Sojourner convention on 21 June but could not stop over in San Francisco en route to Hawaii because the great Shriner convention presumably had caused a local housing famine. Then, in Hawaii, their return was stalled unexpectedly by the airlines strike until on 1 Aug. space available got them to Travis AFB northeast of the Bay. Again there was housing trouble because scores of thousands of Jehovah's Witnesses were convening in San Francisco, specifically at the Giants' Candlestick Park. Harry finally got motel space until an 11 Aug. plane ride was obtained to Atlanta, whence they hoped for plane or bus space to Florida. They made it!

Our hearts go out to Joe McNeal who sent word of the death of his beloved Mary on 6 Aug. after a long illness. The McNeals had lived in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, for many years and Mac will continue to reside there. A daughter, Mary Louise, lives in New York.

In August, the Bay Area group enjoyed Florence Ladd's hospitality in her Palo Alto home, followed by lunch at the Red Cottage up the highway toward San Francisco. On hand were the Bagbys, Cowleses, Nicholoses, Helen Shekerjian, Margaret Crawford, and Mollie Weaver. The Lockwoods had family on hand and Jim Weaver was having a check-up at Letterman. Marguerite and Bill Morris took off on 27 June for their annual European tour, expecting to return in late August. On 30 July they were at Baden-Baden for a spell before leaving for Paris and the Valley of the Loire. On 9 June a card to Esther Reinecke inquired as to her safety during a recent tornado that had caused great damage in Topeka. To date no reply has come from her, but another card, to the Topeka postmaster, brought a courteous reply informing us that her home was just north and outside of the devastated area.

On 21 Aug., Gerry Stanton wrote: "I have booked passage on a 12-passenger freighter for the 3 Feb. sailing to South Africa. I may fly into Ethiopia and Egypt. I shall be away 3 months and am quite excited over thoughts of the trip. There will be some flying over jungles, some traveling by bus, and 1 or 2 trips by train." Gerry also wrote that at the West Point PX she had seen Carol, wife of Capt. Lee Miller who took care of 1911 last June so efficiently as our reunion aide. They are now happily quartered on the post. Several welcome notes this past summer from Billy Wyche at his Pinehurst home have indicated that he is quite himself again and following his usual pursuits.

Other hoped-for notes did not come. However, as a new class list is planned for January, it is earnestly hoped that all whose names will be thereon, will, if alive and kicking, send me notes with their ZIP codes and with bits of news.

Chamberlin. Chamby and Sarah write while en route to the West Coast where they will live at 678A Via Alhambra, Laguna Beach, Calif. Should they have pious leanings, or develop them in the twilight of their years I recommend my second cousin, John Henry Hauser, rector of the Episcopal Church. They send no other news.

Delamater. Rachel tells of her recovery from serious illness thanks to her good doctor. Ike and Al Spalding and Al's sister, Mrs. Little, have kept her under the wing (along with other friends) just as Ike and Alice did for Cornelia Lewis during Jack's terminal illness in Boulder, Colo. A 3.0 for them both. Rachel's new address is Apt. A 355 Claremont, San Antonio, Tex. 78209. Both daughter Rachel and Ben III (USMA 1940) visited her before overseas departures, Ben from CONARC to MAAG Formosa with his wife and three children; BG James H. Keller (Rachel's husband) to NSA Paris. The Kellers have four children, one being James Jr., who was then in training with the Md. National Guard.

Sawyer. Myrta Sawyer died of a stroke on 25 Dec 1965 at her home in Schoolcraft, Mich. This news came from her close friend of many years, Mrs. Ada Boyer.

Lindt. Has nothing to report, but his successful actions as class treasurer speak louder than words. He says the stock market "keeps him busy losing money." He reports that an Army Relief contribution replaced flowers as the class tribute to P. Wood—a very fine substitution.

Spalding I. His doctor's orders prevent long travel strain, which accounts for travel only to a summer vacation stay at Boulder, Colo. Ike will write Jack Lewis's obituary.

Kelly J.D. A report from him indicates that he and Martha do not feel able at this time to plan a trip to West Point in 1967, but they will defer a decision. He still plays golf (maybe at the same speed as Van Deusen E.R., 1909 whose golf varies from two to nine holes, going from hole to hole via gasoline cart). Parties are still on his agenda, but under his protest.

Greenwald. This via John Kelly who tells us that Karl is on a trip to California and Canada. K. is still the ruggedest of us all even though golf is now the substitute for exercise on a horse. He has sold his house and rented an apartment at 506 Funston Place, San Antonio, Tex., 78209, known as "Widows' Row."

Crawford R.C. Family report: Crawford R.C. Jr., promoted to BG; son-in-law Al Welling, MG retired to a civilian job as VP in charge of Technical Division, Wyandotte Chemical Corp., Mich. JNH—I am ashamed to say that my contact with Red has been by telephone even though we visit my sister-in-law in the same apartment building. Family contacts on short visits permit me to see only a few classmates as chance allows.

Snow. Interesting, accidental meeting with Giant and Mildred Kirk in a Delaware inn recently. Giant and his wife are both arthritis victims and pretty much out of circulation. Our Colonel keeps up his good work in preventing the Post Office Department from going in the red. He has listed the following as buried at West Point: Bingham, Youngs, Edwards B.D., Hinemon, Chase G.C., Wood—and Paules to be interred there later.

Phelan. His report indicates that life in Sun City, one of California's best known retirement towns, must be on an even keel. He

mentions the very laudatory letter he received from the USMA Librarian after the library received the Class Cup which has been in Phelan's hands since his oldest son died. The Cup is to be on display in the Class of 1912 Room. The custom of the Cup seems to have been dropped, re-adopted, and dropped again over the years, so ours should prove to be an interesting item to remind present and future cadets of this oldtime custom.

Wood. Via Chen—Abigail plans to sell her home in Reno and move to Washington, her family's home for generations. Her address is not yet available. "P" Wood Jr., is an artillery officer with the 82d Abn Div at Fort Bragg. Sometime back I elected him an honorary member of 1912. He sent "P"'s 4th Armd Div's baton to the Library.

Wilbur. Wee Willy challenges the accuracy of the Assn of Graduates on dates for alumni occupancy of Hotel Thayer for June Week 1967. I suggest making early reservations for rooms at the Thayer—letter to go to Assn of Graduates to assure billet. W. in his report joins many others in congratulating Chen on his voluntary efforts at keeping in touch with the Class.

Flint. A private letter of a soldier to a newspaper (sent to Sally) reveals that Paddy Flint Field was recently dedicated at Fort Riley. Also, during the convention ceremonies of the 9th Division Assn, a bronze plaque was placed on Paddy's grave in Arlington by the Illinois Chapter in recognition of Paddy's activity in the cavalry unit, ROTC, University of Illinois. Daughter Sally Flint von Kann and granddaughter Lisa were present.

Barrett. No news, but he asks for news on "P" Wood's death. I mailed him one of the Washington D.C. clippings. Greetings from Margaret and self.

Sibert. Similar to the behavior of reformed drunks, Si boasts of having quit smoking 2½ years ago and would like to know how many classmates are smokers or non-smokers. Vital statistics of that nature are not in my field. How many will help Si with the data?

Mooney. He sends no report, but I can verify that he navigates and was an active participant in the May class luncheon in Washington. A copy of one of d'Alary's last letters written to him is in the Fchet file. It speaks of his faith and the comfort of religion during his last days. Jim told me that the 1911 55th Reunion group rejected the suggestion that future meetings be held during Homecoming.

Haislip. Ham is leaving the Soldiers' Home in Washington, at the end of October. Alice had a fall resulting in a broken wrist and an ankle bone chip. She has been taking PT at Walter Reed twice a day to alleviate pain and stiffness. PT can do wonders, so good luck.

Larrabee. Loopy has quit fighting farm mechanization. His wife gets more money for a 15 lb. Norwich Terrier than he did for an 800 lb. Angus steer, so he has sold his herd. Also, his tillable acres can not compete with machine farming, and the drought has done much harm to his land on the Eastern Shore.

Kirk. Via Chen—He seems happy living the rural life after tours of city duty. See Snow's entry for the chance meeting.

Weaver (per Chen). Dorothy is still not well, but bears up nobly. Son Bill has retired and is employed in Phoenix, Ariz. Earlier reports have told of Dorothy's courage and her help to him.

Nalle. He hopes to be at West Point but unfortunately will travel alone. He comments on the difficulties in reaching West Point other than by car all the way. He is so right.

He built his house large enough to hold visiting children, but they are scattered far and wide at present. Daughter Lil Tyson (Bob '34) is still in Arlington. One grandchild is working for her doctorate, another is entering college, and a third is in prep school. Son Dick (USMA '44) went from the Pentagon to Paris and later to Brussels per the De Gaulle eviction. Yes, Bill, I remember well our serving together at Schofield; do you remember Ah Get's standard telephone message to wondering wives, "He not here, he go home."

Maxwell. Chen reported hearing from Katherine that Maxie was doing better. Their only granddaughter was married on 30 April. Since then a letter from Drake reported the death of their son Bill. I wired our sympathy for the Class.

Schneider (per Chen). He was recently in the hospital because of heart, but is OK now. He sends best wishes to all.

Chynoweth. Chen says "Grace and I are fine." The latest tally on cards asking for contributions to his bulletin (to help me out—JNH): 50% replies, including 63% from graduates.

Flynn. The highlight of his activities during the year was a trip to London accompanied by his 13-year-old granddaughter, with side trips to Leicestershire for a visit with a friend of his sons and granddaughters ("most perfect hunting country that the mind of man could imagine") and to Edinburgh for ten days, visiting the family of his granddaughter's schoolmate. All the customary tourist sights were seen, and of Madame Toussaud's Waxworks, Huck says, "We did manage to get there though I would a lot rather have been hanged." Huck is designing a bronze bar identifying our seminar room. I hope USMA authorities will reverse their "no soap" ruling handed down two years ago. (Since his letter was two pages long, and since he wrote very few letters home as a cadet, I regret using only excerpts in order to comply with ASSEMBLY rules—JNH.) He expects to be at WP in 1967.

Bennion. He and Marian plan to be at the 1967 Reunion. His report to Chen appears later.

Henry. Lyde's letter was long, so take it for granted that she thinks quite highly of all of us, which she said in many words. As to West Point in 1967, she feels that she cannot be with us, but is content with her happy memories of 1962. "Fifty-five years seems a long time, and although some of those days since I became a camp follower in 1916 have seemed endless, the time has passed quickly." She is the traveling-est gail Natchez, New Orleans, and recently Shelbyville for the Walking Horse Show about which she is properly distressed, especially the cruel training the horses get (walk, trot, gallop—the only decent gaits for a horse—JNH). Chen comes in for some special praise from Lyde, particularly his notes on dawgs.

Drake. As with almost all of us, Charlie gives us family news—the most important item of all for grandparents. His daughter Jane and her three children paid him a 3-week visit. Her husband is Gen. Greene, Chief of Personnel, AF, Randolph AFB. His other daughter, Lucie (note un-Democratic spelling—JNH), lives across the river in North Arlington. Her husband Gen. Williams, AF, has just retired and has a job with Western Union. Their son Duke is an AF captain now in South Vietnam. Charlie made a good recovery from his double operation for glaucoma last year. He writes that nothing much happens to him while trying to keep body and soul together, but for him we should

also note his devotion to his principal class duty, which is sad and painful no end.

And from Chynoweth

Arnold. Summoned by wire, Arch reached West Point in time for "P" Wood's interment near the caretaker's bldg. in the cemetery. Arch and Marg were busy in camp (Cranberry Bog) sorting out 14 grandchildren, one of whom caught a 3-lb. smallmouth! Arch's catch: 0; Marg's: 1.

Barbur. Herb, aged 79, is still selling insurance. Vesta is not too well but is still going places. Herb just finished two books on Little Big Horn.

Bennion. Marian and Hard are both well. They are grieving over losses in 1912 and among their family relations.

Bodine. Vocal report from Karl-Nall still gets around.

Brown A.E. He and Jess are sad to see 1912 dwindling. Their nearest contacts are Arch 'n Marg, and Dutch 'n Charlie. He regrets that Chamby and Sarah are off for the glamor of California.

Crawford R.C. He says he is an avid reader of class bulletins, and adds that he is older than he was and feels it. He wants more news about dogs, and also asks about cats.

Deuel. Hopes to see us in 67 at our 55th. Thorne has been working on a story of the Punitive Expedition (1916) for a student doing research. His son Bill, USMA '61, is at Fort Bragg preparing for Vietnam. Thorne and Nora send greetings.

Dick. Carl is hitting away on all cylinders and sends his best. He says he is OK so far, and reports that Earl Blaik won a Gold Medal and Bill Carpenter, USMA '59, the Distinguished American Award in the Football Hall of Fame.

Drake. Charlie is up and at 'em, except during the Washington heat spells when he hugs an air conditioner. **Bill Wilbur**, Col. **Snow**, and he went to Alumni Days during June Week and had a big time except for the heat. He and the Colonel plan to attend Homecoming in the fall.

Edwards. Elizabeth says she is always grateful for news of 1912. She reports another great-grandson for Duke. Two more girls are entering college, and the youngest grandchild is starting school.

Flint. Sally is happy to have daughter and granddaughter Lisa living near. Grandson Curtis, returning from cavalry duty in Germany, will enter Harvard Law School.

Gatchell. Gatch reports that he is out again after a 1½ year bout in the hospital. He says he has to take it easy, but he does take his daily two-mile walk, plus gardening and light chores. He reads a lot, and hopes for a new look in ARMY football. Betty looks after him and keeps the house going.

Greenwald. Karl went over the class list and says at least 19 of them should be at our 55th. I concur. He sees John Kelly at golf, Ike Spalding at poker, Bill Weaver occasionally, Nall Bodine not so often. Karl arrived here in SF en route to Canada, and he, Buddy Rose, and I had lunch together. Karl looks to be about 58 years old.

Morrissey. Charlotte enjoys class news "immensely" She says she is even interested in my dawgs and photography. Sends regards. **Nalle.** Bill reports their youngest, a F.A. Lt. Col., transfers from the Pentagon to SHAPE in Paris. He reports a fine class lunch on May 12th. **Bill Wilbur** came all the way from Chicago. Others: the Malonys, Jim Mooney, **Crawfords**, **Nalles**, **CC Devores**, **Ham Haislip**, **Hausers**, **Ruth McLane**, **Sid Spalding**, **Em and Nan Chase**, and the **Critts**. Also, my sister **Edna Hobbs**. Wasn't Chas. **Drake** also? **Bill and Lucy** send regards.

Phelan. Cy reports that he and Alice are fine except for the encroaching years. Son **Rod (General)** is in Paris. Cy and Alice may visit their daughter in Maine this fall, and then go on to West Point where he dreads the changes.

Read. Sadie reports everything about as usual. **Burton's** vision is nil. In January they moved across the street to a 1-floor apartment. **Burton** was made a life member of Assn of Grads. They hope to see us all in 1967. **Burton**, **Sadie**, and **Janet** send "hello" to all. **Rose.** He and **Mildred** are carrying on. They miss son **Elliott** who moved to Washington State. Daughter **Mary's** husband is retiring to live in Texas.

Sibert. Reports new address: 614 Pelican Drive, Okaloosa Island, Fla. He says his 16-year-old Siamese cats are much younger than he, thus disproving old theory of the 1/7 ratio. **Snow.** Always happy to get 1912 reports. He hopes to attend Homecoming with Chas. **Drake.** Being up there keeps him young at heart.

Spalding, Isaac. Ike and Alice spent the summer, as is their custom, at Boulder, Colo. Their cottage is just a few blocks from the **Jack Lewis's**. They sent flowers from 1912 and were at **Jack's** funeral in Fort Logan National Cemetery. **Cornelia** will continue in her home at 1315 Cascade Ave., Boulder, Colo. 80302. Last Christmas, Ike and Alice had their daughter and son-in-law, **G.B. Francis Hill**, with them from Monterey, Calif. They hope to return the visit this fall. **Henry.** Lyde is happy to get 1912 news, except the news of the losses. She is busy! Local elections are coming up, and she is helping to raise funds.

Hobson. Had a card from **Mary**. Don't know if she is back home.

Hochwalt. He is happy to get class bulletins. She is sad because her faithful **Brittany** spaniel was just killed. She is making some auto trips in Canada. Sends greetings to all.

Hocker. Says he and **Margie** are always so happy to get news of 1912. **Dick** and **Geoff Keyes** are the only two in Tucson. Send greetings to all.

Larrabee. Thoroughly enjoys hearing about 1912. He used to see **Colonel Snow** frequently, but not so much any more. Sends greetings to all.

Lindt. Reports on class flowers and tributes. **Hiram** is a most faithful treasurer. In this connection, **Buddy**, **Karl**, and I agreed to vote that when the Class is reduced to three "old boys," the class fund will be turned over as a gift of 1912 to the Assn of Grads or the **Supe's Fund**, whichever the 3 old boys agree on. (At present the large majority vote is in favor of having the money go to the maintenance of the 1912 Room in the Library. JNH)

Littlejohn. John enjoys class bulletins. Early in July he came home from the hospital and hopes to stay. He would love to come to our 55th, because West Point is a second home to him, but the doctors say "No!" He reminds us that a reunion fund should be available from the class fund. **Hiram** has it on his list, I believe. John sends greetings.

Malony. He and **Dorothy** are fine and send greetings. He reports two collegiate granddaughters (one Phi Beta Kappa), one collegiate grandson, one army grandson, one resigned and with United Aircraft, and one granddaughter in the hospital.

General remarks (JNH). So far, classmates hoping to be at WP for June Week 1967: **Chamberlin**, **Haislip**, **Snow**, **Drake**, **Lindt**, **Hausers**, **Chynoweth**, **Wilbur**, **Arnold**, most of them as stags, some desiring to stay in Cul-lum Hall. All should request hotel or Cullum billets for Alumni Days through Assn of

Graduates to assure firm reservations. This course is indicated because the **Thayer** could do nothing for me during Homecoming. The sooner the better.

Class votes received indicate a strong feeling that the Class of 1912 Room's purpose is to remain inspirational and not to memorialize; however, selected class memorabilia will be on display in a special wall cabinet. Selection will be by impartial USMA authorities. One classmate with an impressive record writes: "We gave the room in appreciation of what West Point did for us and not for what we did for her."

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Our well-liked and admired classmate, **William (Bill) Richard Schmidt**, died in **Walter Reed Hospital** on 18 July 1966 from a heart attack. Services were held 21 July in **Fort Myer Chapel** followed by burial in **Arlington**. **Tex Davidson** represented the Class—apparently no other DC classmates were available. **Bill** had been ill a long time, in and out of **Walter Reed**, and had suffered several severe heart attacks. He was allowed no visitors for quite some time. Besides his widow **Helen**, **Bill** leaves two married daughters: **Helen Jane Spilman**, wife of **Joseph L. Spilman Jr.**, of **Bethesda, Md.**, and **Suzanne**, wife of **Col. Wm. J. Gallagher**, Secretary, **Army War College**, **Carlisle Barracks, Pa.**; a brother and a sister; and four grandchildren. Prior to his illness, **Bill** always attended our class lunches. He had a splendid combat record, notably as **CG, 76th Inf Div**, Dec 42 to Aug 45. He was a quiet, modest, sincere person and a sound thinker. We have lost another fine classmate.

West Point's second oldest grad, **Lewis Stone Sorley '91**, died 15 August 1966. **Foote**, **Critt**, and others were honorary pallbearers. But, just as we stopped at 2101 Conn. Ave. to pick up **Critt**, he called as he came thru the doors, "Get out, your car's on fire!" We (**Harriet** and I) hopped out. Sure enough, flames were dashing out from under the hood. It took the **D.C.F.D.** to put the fire out, even after 3 locally available fire extinguishers had been used. The car was a total loss; the passengers were uninjured. **Critt** made the funeral, Ft. did not.

A class gift to the **Army Distaff Foundation**, honoring all our class wives, was voted, 26 to 17 on the ballot mailed with our 1965 Class Christmas Letter. The cash, along with dues, was recently collected. On 25 Aug 1966, formal presentation of a check for \$400 was made at **Army Distaff Hall** by **Tex Davidson**, class treasurer, to **Tony McAuliffe '19**, Foundation President, and duly witnessed by **Foote**, class prexy. Earlier, a check for \$100, the generous gift of one classmate as part of the class gift, had been given the Foundation. We have been advised that an aluminum plate bearing our class numerals has been installed on the memorial wall-plaque in the Hall near the Memorial Chapel. As of 22 Aug 1966, the Hall was full: 300 residents. The original 1913 Distaff Detachment still flourishes intact: **Mrs. Jessica N. Djureen**; **Jimmie Peale's** mother, **Cornelia Peale**; **Dorothy King**; and **Helen (Dolly) Sadtler**. More power to you, O, stalwart ladies.

The following wire was sent to **Ike and Mamie Eisenhower '15**: "Congratulations and best wishes on your golden anniversary from the Class of 1913 USMA via **Harriet and Cooper Foote**. May the years to come be as bright and nifty as were the first 50."

To which Ike replied: "On Friday I received the kind message of congratulations you sent to Mamie and me on behalf of the Class of 1913. I cannot tell you how deeply I appreciate your thoughtfulness. While I cannot match the rhyme of your final sentence, I can wish for you and yours, and every member of your Class, the utmost in health and happiness and contentment. With affectionate greetings. As ever, Ike E."

A 100-year birthday message was also sent our oldest grad, Brig. Gen. Wm. J. Glasgow '91, on behalf of the Class on 18 May 1966.

Geoff Keyes, visiting his daughter Jackie, wife of recently promoted to Brig. Gen., W.R. Desobry, reported in on the afternoon of 22 June; dated up that evening. The next morning he flew to St. Louis for the marriage of his eldest grandson. From Jackie's answers to your Scribe's questionnaire, we get this account, quoted in part. On 25 June 1966, in the Catholic Church of Bonne Terre, Mo., Sherwood Harrison Demitz, son of Col. and Mrs. R.S. Demitz, USA Retired (Mrs. Demitz is Virginia Maxwell Keyes, Geoff's eldest daughter), was married to Bernadette Paul, a lovely little blonde nurse. Seven of Geoff's 26 grandchildren and all four of his daughters were on hand. "Geoff is gayer and younger than ever. The feeling is one down and 25 to go, minus Sister Jacqueline Mary, who is a Desobry nun. We had a great reunion; the motel at Bonne Terre will probably never be the same." Obviously, Jackie has inherited her father's humorous traits. Another daughter of Geoff's lives in Alexandria, Va., Leila Broughton, wife of Lt. Col. Levin B. Broughton '45, recently returned from Vietnam and pent up in the Pentagon. Your class Pres., Scribe, and GM informs our genial Geoff that he violated General Order #1, Class of 1913, in that he failed to report promptly his arrival in the Washington, D.C. area, so that we could see, feed, and pump him (latter for news, class dope, or what have you).

Two sons of 1913 graduated from the Army War College on 13 June 66, the AWC's Golden Graduation: Dale Jack Crittenberger '50, Lt. Col., Armor, now in Vietnam, and Stewart VanVliet Spragins '49, Lt. Col., USAF. Critt Jr., '42, a brigadier general, is in Vietnam.

Another 1913 son, Lawrence V. Greene '41, presently stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., was recently selected for promotion to brigadier general. How pleased Nora Greene must be. The same list also included Charles W. Ryder Jr., '42, son of Ryder of '15, whose widow is Ida Perrine, sister of our Henry Perrine. She reports that on 1 July she drove CWR III to West Point where he is now a hard-working Plebe. That makes the 4th generation of the Perrine family to enter the Military Academy, beginning with Henry P. Perrine '70, father of our Henry P. It's the 3d generation on the Ryder side. Ida had her two Perrine nephews, Henry P. Jr., WMI '55, and David Perry, USMA '57, with her at Vineyard Haven, Mass., for the summer. David was recovering from hepatitis. If my count is correct that's 3 sons of '13 who have acquired stars so far. May many others soon follow.

Ferguson ex-'13 of Ferguson County, N.C., is proving himself an active correspondent, even sending me his book, published in 1957, *Home on the Yadkin*, replete with Ferguson family and Ferguson County-Yadkin Valley personal history. He says that this is the first book of several he hopes to produce. Has been trying to get an answer from Spec Toohey, his Beast Barracks roommate. That cagey Michigander seemingly can't or won't write. Pen not so ye be not penned, say we.

With creeping age, 2 more '13 couples, former farmers or estate owners, find that they prefer the simple, carefree but fattening life of apartment dwellers. John Huff and Sallie VanVliet have sold their house in Island Heights, N.J., and moved to an apartment. Their new address: Twin Gables, Apt. 203, 36 Riverside Avenue, Red Bank, N.J., 07701, where they overlook the Navesink or North Shrewsbury River. John says Red Bank was the VanVliet home town prior to 1909. A.B. Johnson and Doris moved, effective 4 October 1966, to 101 Lincolnia Road, Apt. 1509, Alexandria, Va. 22304. They want to sell their Loudon County farmlet near Lovettesville, Va.

Critt was an honored guest at the presentation of the Thayer Medal to the Honorable Carl Vinson of Georgia at West Point on 10 September 1966. He rode with a gang of VIP's in the Vice C/S's plane (Creighton Abrams '36) along with Secretary of the Army Resor, Congressman Mendel Rivers, Admiral Fechteler USNA '16, Gen. W.F. Train '31, CG First Army, and others. Cort Schuyler '22, Pres. Assn of Grads, made the



1913: Davidson (right) presents check to McAuliffe, president of the Army Distaff Foundation, completing the class's gift. Witness Foote is at left.

presentation. Carl Vinson delivered a stirring address in Washington Hall to the Corps of Cadets and guests.

Dorothy Young did sell "Shiningwood," her Lake George, N.Y., home. She is concentrating on her 9-acre estate in Fauquier County, close by Scuffleburg, Va. The long summer drought has dried up her well. "Fox Hollow" is the name of that presently dry hideout. She retains her town apartment.

Joe Viner with some of his female grandchildren visited Washington in mid-August. A strenuous sightseeing seance began at 0900 (9 a.m. to you non-moderns): The Smithsonian, new Museum of Science and Technology, National Archives, National Gallery of Art, The Capitol, and the Supreme Court. Your Scribe declined Joe's invitation to join in. Presumably all survived; we've heard from Joe since.

Ernie and Laura Dupuy summered in Bridgewater, Vt., expanding their facilities so as to include son Trevor '38 and his brood. We hope expansion has not exhausted them.

Critt and Josephine took their usual summer cottage at Rehoboth Beach for 2 months, filling it with their grandchildren and their two delightful DIL's. Both sons were able to enjoy some Delaware beach tanning.

Imogen and Francis Englehart, having just moved to this city, returned post haste to a rented cottage in Bennington, Vt., Imogen's home podunk.

Harriet and Cooper Foote spent 11 luxurious days at The Inn, West Falmouth, on

Buzzards Bay, near Wood's Hole, Mass., enhancing their respective midriffs. Our son Ensign Morris C. Foote USNA '66, is home after his summer schooling at Key West and Norfolk. While this report is in ASSEMBLY's editorial mélange, he will be moving by air to join his DD (destroyer to ye landlubbers) off the coast of Vietnam. We've enjoyed fleeting glimpses of him as he gets set for his first real sea service. Good Luck.

Pink and Lois Crane just back (7 Sept) from a month's cruise on the SS *Brasil*, report a most interesting and enjoyable trip. They visited Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Russia, Holland, France, and England. They returned to find Kingdom Farm drier than ever, the cumulative effects of 6 successive dry summers.

As we put this document to bed, Tex and Eva Davidson, accompanied by a selection of grandchildren, and Joe and Dasha Viner planned to take in Homecoming 1966.

Class lunches in Washington continued this summer. Junius Jones appeared at the '13 Navy July lunch, surprising all hands. Sorry to miss him and to miss a report on the Sazerac Situation in N.O. Tex, flanked by 5 or more Navy '13ers, took care of him. Our September lunch was invaded by an Air Force Detachment from the USAF Mil Per Cen at Randolph AFB, Texas, all guests of our Tex: one Major (WAF) Dorothy Bartlett, who waited in with two AF colonels, Arthur Tschepel and Oliver Little, plus locally assigned Bob Ashley (Col. USAF). Since, thank heaven, ladies are not allowed in The Sacred Bull Pen, we had to desert our hallowed round table there for a long, narrow table, befitting a personnel board, in the anteroom. Maxwell '12, Sleeper, and Helmick USNA '13, plus Critt, Englehart, and Foote completed the lineup.

If this report stresses Atlantic seaboard classmates it is because our valiant West Coast gang has not sent in any news. By the way, who ever heard of a *silent Californian*? Let's make our report nationwide, even though none of us is yet domiciled in Alaska or Hawaii. Also, let's hear from our intrepid travelers, Lathe and Connie Row of Lead, S.D.

Happy Thanksgiving, regardless of which Thursday it hits us.

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Here I am dashing (?) this off to meet my deadline for the fall, 1966 ASSEMBLY, and the summer issue hasn't yet come. Hope I won't repeat myself. This isn't written in a critical spirit—it must be a tedious and difficult job to edit (and sometimes decipher) the letters as they drift in, some late; and I think the finished product is a work of literary and artistic quality of which the Editor and his staff and the printers can be justly proud.

This letter will be longer than others have been, but the work of assembling it will really be easier and less brain-racking because the interest of both our classmates and class widows seems to be increasing. Here's an example: as of now, we have 29 class widows. Of them, 12—over 40%—are subscribers to ASSEMBLY, and others, I'm sure, are reading the copies of their special classmates. I think that's fine, and hope the number will grow. As for classmates, I think our number of subscribers ought to be 100%—each of us owes so much to our stern but proud and loving Alma Mater. Our quarterly class letter is the one

and only way of maintaining our class spirit of togetherness, and each issue of ASSEMBLY is chock-full of interesting news of classmates, class widows, many other old friends, and articles on items of interest such as our Navy game prospects and the fast-changing program of development and expansion of West Point.

Now, let's turn to class news. The letters have been so clearly and well-written that I shall quote them so as not to lose their flavor. This will enable me to leave out the "transition" sentences; and the letters will be "shuffled up" to lend variety. Here goes.

I shall start with a brief message from Johnnie Markoe, about whose condition I wrote in my last letter. He writes: "Your kind and encouraging letter has been deeply appreciated, and I thank you for it with all my heart. I have your class mimeographed letter on file, and if I survive that long, will promise you will hear from me by next June 10th, even if I have to dictate it. The best of everything to you all."

Here are 2 characteristically exuberant letters from Muriel Thurber. The first was dated 12 June and enclosed a striking color photograph of Muriel riding on her bicycle, published with a write-up in a Seattle newspaper. It is a fine photograph, and she looks in the pink. Her letter goes on: "As you know, I was in Honolulu at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, my second home, from December 8th to May 14th. It's nice to be home again, and see old friends and family.

"Dottie (her daughter) Robbs, whose husband is Col. Charles E. Robbs, 7240 Support Squadron, Oslo, Norway, visited me at the 'Royal' for 6 weeks this winter. My daughter Muriel, who is Mrs. C.T. Clark, of 1555 Parkside Drive, E., Seattle, and her son, 10, and daughter, 8, also visited me at the 'Royal' for about 3 weeks at Easter. It was a fine winter, and I do so love the Islands. Lots of friends come thru. It was especially nice to see Ruth and Tooe Spaatz. (See Tooe's letter.) Since returning home I have been dining out at night, so pleasant with friends and family.

"The cruiser *Menehune* has not been out, but it's still on the cool side for me. However, the lake is crowded with yachts, cruisers, speedboats with water skiers; and last Sunday 65 sailboats, in the 3 smaller classes, were just off my boathouse, racing—a pretty sight."

Muriel's second letter was dated 27 August, and read: "Dear John, I hope you still have my letter of June. Maybe you can use most or parts of it for the September 1st letter, if suitable. The summer here in Seattle has been interesting and pleasant, with some out-of-town visitors, the cruiser *Menehune*, swimming, and just trying to hold this place together, all neat and tidy. I never find it dull. Would like a 48-hour day, instead of 24. Aloha, Aloha to you all."

À propos of Muriel's reference to seeing Ruth and Tooe Spaatz in Honolulu, I was very pleased to get a special letter from Tooe reading as follows: "Dear John, this isn't the designated month for me to report, but thought I would tell about our recent round-the-world trip before it faded from memory. We began our journey with a 2-weeks' visit with our oldest daughter in Kenya, and ended with a week in Hawaii. In between, we stopped in Cairo, Bangkok, Manila, Hong Kong, and Tokyo. One of our nicest experiences was a visit with Pilar Lim and her charming daughter in Manila. Pilar was on her way to preside at the graduation exercises of her college.

"We arrived in Honolulu in time to attend the dedication of the War Memorial erected

by the Battle Monuments Commission—a very moving ceremony. We stayed at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, and one of our first encounters was with Muriel Thurber, who had been at the hotel for several months. She had acquired a fine Hawaiian tan, and never looked better or younger. Here ends my report." Thanks, Tooey.

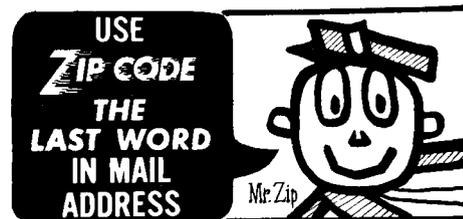
So, there's corroborative evidence for you. Now, let's turn to our prospects for the A and N game. Freddie Herr being strategically located in Stanton, New Jersey, within easy distance of West Point and Philadelphia, as well as being an avid ARMY football fan, seemed the best source of pre-season dope. In answer to my request for same he wrote: "The WP Society of New York held its annual meeting at West Point before the spring football game, the final event of spring practice, in Michie Stadium at 7:30 p.m., May 14th. The attendance was about 5,000. We sat opposite the 20-yard line on the visitors' side. The squad was divided into the Black Team of about 50 players, and the Gold Team of about 45 players. Some of the 18 returning lettermen were on each team; 5 were absent—2 on the lacrosse team, and 1 was making up deficiencies in studies.

"The game was a very hard-fought one. Fortunately, no one was seriously injured. We could stay only for the first half, which ended with the score: Black 6—Gold 2. I heard later that the Black Team scored 10 more points in the second half.

"I was impressed by the punting of Nick Kurilko who was the kicker on the 1965 team. One of his punts covered 75 yards. The two quarterbacks (both Yearlings), Steve Lindell and Jim O'Toole both passed very well; the 1965 team was rather weak in passing. In the first half, Lindell ran the Black Team and O'Toole the Gold Team; they switched teams for the second half. I was very much impressed by a Negro boy (a Yearling) named Gary Steele, who played tight end. I understand he was much sought after by several other colleges, but chose West Point because his father is a graduate.

"To sum up, the new head coach, Tom Cahill, is highly thought of and knows all the players, as he has been Plebe Team coach for over 5 years. All the players like and respect him, the morale seems high, and I believe the 1966 team should be a very good one, as it has the horses for a successful season (and that includes the defeat of Navy). I see Charlie Gross at all the home games, and Whitten also. All the best to you and the rest of the Class."

With his letter, Freddie enclosed a copy of an estimate of the 1966 football outlook written by Jim Roscover, and I have permission to quote from it. To save space, I will try to be brief. Twenty-four regulars or first-string subs are returning from the 1965 eleven. Coming up from the 1965 Plebe Team are several very good players: Gary Steele, split end; Yarnell, defensive end; Lindell and O'Toole, quarterbacks; Dencker, defensive half back. Here's an extract from the estimate: "The boys are fast and well coached by Tom Cahill. He is a sound, all-round coach, with as much regard for offense as defense. He has been plebe coach for every boy on the varsity squad. He knows each one and they know him. I think this team should be called 'The Team of Desire.' They are anxious to play and win, and will play their hearts out for the new coach. This season is a real challenge for the ARMY team. The outstanding Yearling is Gary Steele—look for him to be a great player. You will see a very strong defensive line with strong and capable linebackers. The offensive team will carry good weight and power up front.



The big question is in the quarterbacking. There are two promising Yearlings who must prove themselves in the big time: Lindell and O'Toole—Lindell, the runner, and O'Toole, the passer... Nick Kurilko will take care of the kicking, both kickoffs and punting." Thanks, Freddie, for a very interesting and informative report.

You will note that these letters have come from different parts of the country. That's the plan, to minimize repetition. Here's one from Weldon Doe: "Dear Classmates, our routine is about the same year after year—Montgomery during the winter months, and since retiring 3 years ago, I play golf, and hunt quail and ducks, with a few dove shoots.

"Weldon Jr., lives next to us on a golf course, and we have no other nearby neighbor. He and his wife have three children, Weldon III, 17, Frances, 13, and Becky, 9. We see the children every day, and they spend Friday evenings with us, so the 'Jr.'s' can go out. After school is out, about 1 June, they go to their home near Pensacola to spend June and July. Betty and I usually go there in June for a visit and fishing, then come up to our summer home in Arden, N.C.

"The children (and grandchildren) all come to Arden and spend August with us. We men play golf and fish most of the month. Weldon Jr., and Weldon III recently won the 'low gross' prize at the Biltmore Forest Country Club during the 'member-guest' tournament.

"Just now, I was called outside by the two young Weldons to admire 4 large-mouth bass they had caught in a neighbor's pond. The 4 fish weighed almost 15 pounds.

"The young Does have to leave Labor Day for Montgomery because of school. We will remain here until November, if the weather is good, then return to Montgomery.

"Somehow, we don't do any other traveling—just seem to move south in the winter, and back here in the summer. This (N.C.) is a wonderful country, and every night is cold enough for blankets. The days may get warm, but the sleeping is fine. Our place is 9 miles south of Asheville, in the country, but we have city water and all the utilities. Yet, we cannot see another house from ours.

"If you are ever in this part of the country, come and see us—our name is in the Asheville telephone book."

Duckie Jones, laconic as ever, wrote: "Dear John, just noticed that my deadline approaches. We are still at the same address and in reasonably good health. Lucy underwent an operation in April, with a slow, painful recovery. By now, her throwing arm is once more dangerously accurate. Our oldest daughter, Betsy Holland, of Santa Clara, Calif., has three grandchildren, so you can see what that makes us!

"John Henry Woodberry and I made our annual trek to Asheville in March for the Founders Day banquet. We stayed at Pug Lampert's old home with Pug Jr. At Asheville, we saw quite a number of old-timers—no other classmates, but several contemporaries. Our best to all and all our families."

Now, we'll span the Atlantic to Paris for this letter from Gene Villaret. "Dear Class-

mates, I'm becoming aware that old age is an incurable disease. With the passing of the years, one so afflicted accomplishes less and less. Still, I try to keep abreast of the times by reading what the newspapers have to say about what the young fry are doing about world problems.

"I note, for example, that ever since General de Gaulle withdrew his nation from active participation in NATO, one of the most persistent questions discussed in the U.S. is: 'What's wrong with the French?'"

"The columnist, Art Buchwald, recently wrote an article on this subject. He summed it up rather neatly with the statement: 'What it all boils down to is that the French are in awe of us as they know that nothing that they have compares to what we have in the U.S.' Although Mr. Buchwald, as usual, is satirical, it is to be doubted that his conclusion is strictly for laughs. There is a sneaking suspicion that he therein expresses an opinion held by more than just a few of us Americans.

"The French, on the other hand, seem to think that, by and large, they have as much on the ball as anyone else, the U.S. included. Perhaps the present Franco-American discord is merely a 'tempest in a teapot' that in time will blow itself out. The French and ourselves are essentially pretty good friends. We have too many common interests to be otherwise.

"Come fall, I'll be making my annual trip to the States, and hope to see some of you during the 3 or 4 months I'll be there. Greetings and best wishes to every one of you."

In a separate note to me, Villaret wrote that his correct Paris address is: U.S. Army F&AO Paris, APO New York 09230, and that the most reliable address for him when he is in the U.S. would be in care of his brother: Col. Gustave Villaret Jr., 1050 Ball Hill Road, McLean, Va. 22101.

Coming closer to home, here's a message to the Class from Tim Rees: "Each year there seems to be less and less of interest for me to write. During the past year, none of my relatives has been hatched, snatched, or dispatched, and my traveling has been *reductio ad absurdum*, as good old 'P' Echols would have said. But the younger members have traveled some. Our son Jack and his family motored from New Jersey to California and back thru Canada, taking in nearly all the National Parks in both countries. Our daughter Amy, her husband Jack Truby (USMA '45), and their three children visited here for 3 weeks, on change of station from the Pentagon to the Army War College. Amy III, Mildred's 14-year-old daughter, is spending a week in Mexico City with the San Antonio Aquatic Club at a swimming meet.

"Things here are rocking along about the same, with golf, swimming, bridge, an occasional party, and my recent siege with the dentist, who, among other things, put some gold in one of my teeth, then told me, 'Colonel, you are now in the Metallic Age. You have silver in your hair, gold in your teeth, and lead in your pants.'

"Regards and best wishes to all the Class and their wives, widows, and sweethearts. BEAT NAVY!"

Even though his message was rather short, I was glad to hear from Lou Byrne. Before quoting his letter, please note his new address: Byrne Advertising Service, 40 Rock Oak Estates, 10065 Main St., Clarence, N.Y. 14031. Here's his message to the Class: "There is nothing in my personal life to interest my classmates. Seeing Elmer Adler's brother, Arthur, recalls the high school days in Buffalo, when Arthur, Elmer, and I were

most friendly in the high school principalled by Frank Fosdick, father of the famous minister. The Class may be interested in knowing that the captains of 2 Academy athletic teams are the direct result of my personal recruiting. They are Kerry O'Hara, All-American swimmer and captain of the 1966-1967 swimming team; and Gary Atkins, a fellow-townsmen of O'Hara, who is captain of the 150-pound Academy football team. O'Hara may become an Olympic team member. Regards to all."

A very nice letter came from Helen Paschal. While she has not moved since our 50th Reunion, a better address than that shown in our Reunion Dinner booklet is: 6631 Wakefield Drive, Apt. 614, Alexandria, Va. 22307. Here's her letter: "I had a pleasant summer, including a nice visit in upper New York State. The airline strike stranded me, and my good friends had to drive me home.

"I am in constant touch with Grace and Dad Ingles. Grace and I chat several times each week, but distances are so great we don't see each other very often. I hear from the Bulls occasionally, and always see the Harrises when they are in Washington. Tom Monroe is a most interesting and faithful letter writer. That sums up my contact with the Class of 1914.

"I am well and still have an interest in and a zest for life."

I was also pleased to receive a letter to the Class from Mickey McCain: "Dear John. Hope this will reach you in time. There has not been much going on around here. We live very quietly; however, we were glad to see Gus and Jack Jowett when Ferne and Empie Potts and Ilma and I had dinner (noon) with them at the Williamsburg Inn.

"Not many of the Class come by. Ilma and I are always glad to see anyone. We hope that whenever you come this way you will come and see us, or let us know where you are. I was sorry not to be able to get to the 50th Reunion—hope to attend the next one. We send our best wishes to all of the Class."

Here's a letter from Harry Matthews: "I have been fairly busy, although I have been trying to unload responsibilities and retire. At 78, I think I have worked enough. In looking over my past, I will say that my greatest disappointment was that I did not graduate from West Point. It had been my one thought and ambition from about age 6, when my dad was captain of a California National Guard company. That I didn't graduate has hurt more than all the blessings I have had. I have always held you all in the deepest respect and regard."

Sorry you didn't make our 50th Reunion, Harry; it was a great one. We hope to see you in 1969.

I'm sure all classmates will remember Hampden Spiller who entered with us but didn't graduate. He is still an attorney in Fort Worth, Texas, and wrote me as follows: "About the only thing I have to report is that I'm still alive at 76. This summer my wife and I plan a motor trip east, and are going by the Point, of course. Regards to the old files, and especially to you for your service in trying to keep them corralled."

My next letter came from Pete Bullard. In my last Class Letter I told of Pete's serious trouble with carbon monoxide poisoning due to a defective heater in his trailer, followed by a heart attack. The following letter gives further details.

"As you know, I had a heart attack on 31 January. The gas poisoning by carbon monoxide did not appear to be serious; but the heart attack, a coronary occlusion, laid

me up in the McDill AFB Hospital for 23 days. My son Bob and his wife Libby rushed down from Atlanta to see me, and pressed me to visit them after leaving the hospital. So I went to Atlanta and was with them for 7 weeks. What wonderful care they took of me! Then I went back to St. Petersburg by plane and lived in my trailer for about 2 months.

"In June I did too much, and this brought on a second heart attack. Apparently, this was not as serious as the first one, but caused some additional damage. I was 17 days in the same hospital. I am not as well as I was after the first attack. Bob and Libby again pressed me to visit them, and I have been with them at Atlanta about 5 weeks. Also, on their urging, I have rented an apartment in Atlanta; so my new address is: Plaza Apartments, Apt. G-4, 1871 Plaza Lane S.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30311, and I will move my things up from St. Petersburg as soon as practicable.

"Fred and Dorothy Herman were very kind about coming to see me during my stays in the hospital.

"I have sold all my books on 'How to Play Shuffleboard' and will publish no more, though I have been urged to do so. My net loss was about \$700, plus about \$10,000 for my 5 years of time spent in writing the book (for which last I got no credit on income tax returns)."

Awfully sorry, Pete, about all your illnesses. Get well soon, and don't forget, you promised to make name cards for all our ladies at our 55th Reunion.

And now, let's hear from the stand-by of 1914, Skimp Brand, who wrote: "Dear Classmates, Wives and Widows. Shortly after my letter to the 1965 Christmas booklet, in which I mentioned my lameness due to osteoarthritis, I had a special test at Walter Reed and was given a new medicine. It has done wonders in relieving the pain, much more than aspirin ever did, and several months ago I quit using a cane. It is a great feeling not to need the cane, but I don't know what I will do if I ever get in a situation where I will need some sort of a defensive weapon.

"Emily and I haven't been on any trips recently but hope to spend a week or two in Atlantic City in September.

"Our class dinners at the A-N Club on the first Wednesday of the month are very enjoyable when held; but too often some are out of town, others are sick, and some have other engagements. The result has been that we were able to have only four dinners during the first 8 months of 1966. Here's hoping we can do better in the future.

"The only classmate I have seen at Walter Reed this year is Loomis. He has had some heart trouble and was out there for a few weeks. Emily and I send our very best to you all."

A very interesting letter came from Bill Ryan. In it he mentions some news on which I shall elaborate later. He wrote: "Mary and I have been most fortunate this last year in being granted good health without any more broken bones; but along the way we seem to have gradually become 'old folks,' and find our greatest pleasures in just doing the little, inconsequential things around home with a reasonable amount of socializing with our friends. We do drive up to San Francisco now and then, for shopping or amusement.

"A recent highlight, however, was our pleasure in having John and Earll Carruth, Jim and Eleanor Cress, and Jens and Betty Doe, with their delightful daughter, Camilla, for a visit and dinner. The Carruths stayed

overnight with us. You can be sure there was much class gossip as well as reminiscences of past trials and pleasures. To keep the record straight, I think there were also a few gripes just to add spice to the conversation. John took some excellent color pictures of the group and sent us copies.

"At her request, John appointed me Special Classmate for Eleanor Forbes. I hope I can keep her abreast of class news and in contact with old service friends.

"Our two grandsons, Andrew and Bill, young Mary Allison's strapping youngsters, 6'5" and 6'7", respectively, make me look like a midget. Andy, the oldest, is a medic in the Air Force; Bill spent his time this summer working on a hay ranch near Jackson Hole, Wyoming. He will be a senior in high school this winter and after graduation wants to enter either the Air Force Academy or West Point. He is an excellent student as well as an athlete, and should do well. I'll be happy to see him in either Academy.

"Mary and I are looking forward to our trip east for the 55th Class Reunion, and our 50th wedding anniversary with our daughter and family afterward. Good luck and best wishes to you all."

One nice thing about these Class Letters is that I can have the last word. Having read Bill Ryan's letter you will know, even if you didn't before, of the passing of Fritz Forbes. He died at their home town, Los Gatos, Calif., on 21 June 1966. The funeral was attended by Eleanor and Jim Cress. Fritz had been in very poor health for a number of years. At least, he and his wife, Eleanor had the happiness of celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary earlier this year. Fritz and Bill Ryan were roommates at the Academy, and Bill, as you have already read in his letter, has been named, at Eleanor's request, to be her Special Classmate.

Earl and I flew out to Oakland in early July and spent about a month in the San Francisco Bay Area. The first 2 weeks we visited our youngest daughter, Dot, whose husband is Dr. Ralph H. Potter, and their three children. They have a mountainside home at Mill Valley with a glorious view from the "deck" of San Francisco, its bay and the intervening country. Then we spent about 2 weeks with our oldest daughter, Bonnie, wife of Col. Wilmot R. McCutchen (USMA '39) and their younger son, David. The other son has completed his freshman year at Brown University, and was away as a tennis coach at a New England summer camp. Col. McCutchen had been Director of Courses at the Army War College and retired on 1 March to take a good engineering job as Chief of Design for BART, which, translated, means the Bay Area Rapid Transit District, engaged in a large program of construction of sub-aqueous and land tunnels, subways, and elevated and ground-level tracks for the most modern and speedy trains to link San Francisco and Oakland with many suburban towns of the Bay Area. The McCutchens live in a very pretty and roomy home in the outskirts of Orinda.

I musn't forget to mention that when Earl and I passed thru El Paso, en route to California, the plane stopped there for a short time and I seized the opportunity to have a pleasant, tho' short, talk by phone with Swananoah Packard. She said she's getting along OK, but her plans are still undecided—whether to stay in El Paso, or sell the house and move to North Carolina where her people live. Empie Potts is her Special Classmate.

Then, while I was in Orinda I made a special trip to San Francisco one morning

and saw Dorothy Foster. As some of you may know, her father was Gen. Dickman. She lives very quietly in an apartment south of and near the Presidio of San Francisco reservation. Her son Charles lives at LaMesa and works at Convair, in San Diego. Her daughter is the wife of Lt. Col. Jean K. Joyce who has an MI assignment with STRIKE at McDill AFB. He speaks Russian fluently. Dorothy plans to visit Tucson this fall. I'm sure she was glad to see me, but she is probably pretty lonesome. Hope when any of you are in San Francisco you may get in touch with her.

The wonderful get-together of the Cresses, Jens Does, Ryans, and Carruths, of which Bill Ryan wrote in his letter, took place a few days before we left California to come home. Earl and I went down to Palo Alto for an overnight visit with Eleanor and Jim, including some "talking" bridge, dinner at the nearby Officers Club at the Moffett Naval Air Station, and lunch the next day at the Stanford University Club. Jim's car required a minor repair, and I couldn't work in the time to see George Febiger, but talked with him by phone. His condition seems about the same. That afternoon Jim and Eleanor drove us down to the lovely Ryan home at Pebble Beach. Later, we all met at the Jens Does' for drinks before a blazing log fire. Jens seemed much improved. Camilla, their daughter, was with them. She is such a pretty and gracious girl—her naval officer husband is on sea duty until this fall.

Then all 9 of us gathered at the Ryans' home for a fine dinner and an evening of happiness. After spending the night and breakfasting with Mary and Bill, Earl and I returned to the Bay Area by auto with Jim and Eleanor, then by bus to Orinda.

That's about all, folks. You can see how much more interesting (and really easier) my job is when you write. So do write when your time comes.

Let's rise and shine in sixty-nine.

'15

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My dear Senior Citizens—Greetings!

I am sure all of you have read in all the newspapers that are not on strike how Cupid's arrow pierced the heart of Omar Bradley. I mention it here simply to wish the newlyweds the best wishes of the Class for many years of wedded bliss.

A color postcard from John Henry Cochran showing the lovely 9390-foot peak in the Canadian Rockies now bearing the name of "Mt. Eisenhower" reports that he and Mary Welby are free-wheeling in a Hertz car and visiting scenic spots in western Canada. Both are enjoying it fully.

Jack Davis turns reporter and sends the following news items: Mary and Tom Larkin left for Europe to visit and check up on grandchildren. They just hop a plane, a boat, or a what-not, and when they set down they look in the book to see what grandchildren they have in that location. Helen Conklin left on a long overseas journey. John stayed home to tend the store and miss a few putts. (Apparently John's feet have quit itching.) Sid Graves recovered from his stroke and a bit of pneumonia and is looking right lively and sassy.

We have inducted Harry Malony (1912) into our monthly luncheon group and initiated him by sticking him for the drinks on his first appearance. He adds a bit of éclat to our gathering. (And it appears to your Scribe that it must be nice to have the

prestige of an older graduate to add dignity and decorum to the occasion.) We had a slim gathering for our last luncheon, but Tom Hanley graced the occasion with his presence and made it pleasant. He and Cecelia both look fine and were on their way to one of the better-class spas.

Aileen and I are still about and doing all right for the shape I'm in. My only troubles are softening of the brain and hardening of the arteries, but we just can't have everything soft or hard as we would like it.

Thanks for the news, Jack.

Our hardworking and faithful Secy sent in the following bits of news: Laura and I returned on 31 August from a very enjoyable 3 weeks in Maine and New Hampshire. We went there entirely to research my maternal line re a book I intend to publish early in 1967. My ancestor John Libby, "The Immigrant," landed at Scarborough, Maine (near Portland), in 1635. We were able to stop for an hour to see Pearl Stickney at her home in Stoneham, Mass. She seemed to be in the pink.

Bad news first. Since returning home I learned that Anne Hodgson Burnell died recently. No details except that she died of cancer. (Anne was P.A.'s widow and later married Brig. Gen. Ray Burnell.)

Col. Charles W. Ryder Jr., son of our Doc, is on the list for promotion to BG. Laura Brownell attended her 50th Reunion at Vassar.

Clesen Tenney spent most of July in Wisconsin, then attended the wedding of his granddaughter (phew!) in Dallas, Texas, 13 Aug. He also attended her graduation from college there in June. He was in Phoenix, Arizona, in May for the christening of his youngest grandson. (That guy Clesen sho' covers the ground.)

Sylvia Irwin, the daughter of Clare and Red Irwin, was married on 12 June to Frederick William Vaughn of Falls Church. Lucy Hobbs has sold her home and moved to The Towers, Apt. 1116W, 4201 Cathedral Ave., Washington, D.C. 20016.

Although Gibby Gibson's eyes are giving him quite a bit of trouble, he still writes your Scribe at least quarterly. He said in his last epistle, "Am sorry I could not type this, but it doesn't work for me. I hope you can make it out. Anyway, I can still sign my name where the 1st Sgt. puts his finger."

Ed Kelton saves writing by enclosing a clipping from the *La Mesa Scout*. "Col. Edwin C. Kelton and Mrs. Kelton were honored Friday evening with a reception and party for their Golden Wedding anniversary by their children, Mrs. Fred Nelson of Arcadia, Mrs. John Lentz of Marysville, Ohio, and Lt. Col. Edwin C. Kelton Jr., from Hawaii. One hundred guests attended. In the receiving line were eight granddaughters all in formal dresses and with nosegay corsages. The ceremonial cake was cut with the saber used to cut their wedding cake 50 years ago."

Ed adds: "We rounded up quite a number of West Pointers. From the Class of '15 were Frank and Jo Emery, Howard Donnelly, and Paul and Esther Fletcher. We also had the Worshams, the Hab Elliotts, and the Tom Lanphiers." (Warmest congratulations to you and Florence, Ed.)

Reinold Melberg rounds up the California news with the following:

Earl Price is back in his cottage in Cambria. He still has trouble and walks with the aid of a cane and a brace on his right leg. The Covells left in September on a trip to England. Balsam lost one eye. He complains that he can't see too well through the glass one.

Reinold is planning another hunting trip

in that rugged country of northern Idaho. Quite an accomplishment for an old cardiac.

Hume Peabody is Secy of St. Mary's County, Md., Commission on the Aging. (What does he know about aging?)

The Wop Watsons are well and busy. Wop is still a member of the City Council of Beverly Hills. Wop and Hook Howell belong to the same clubs and play golf together. Wop didn't mention the score.

Our laconic treasurer writes: "We collected \$1,235 for the Distaff. Doug Weart just audited my accounts. He thinks I'm honest even if you and Peabody have your doubts."

Oiseau and Chick King were in Asheville, their former stamping ground for a visit of several days. They were wined and dined by their many friends who still miss their cheerful presence in this mountain resort. In turn they threw a red-carpet party to repay the hospitalities before their departure for their San Antonio home. Both looked very well and acted like youngsters.

And that wraps it up for the fall of 1966. "Don't tro dem gloves."

'16

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Maurice Miller underwent serious surgery early last summer at Brooke Army Hospital in San Antonio, but appears to have made a nice recovery and was back at home when he wrote on 28 July. His greatly appreciated news releases to your Scribe have never lagged. Nola wrote while Maurice was recovering. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 15 June. Maurice believes they were the first in the Class to reach this impressive milestone. Their son Buck had arrived in Texas after 4 years in Augsburg and Munich, Germany, and was to report for duty at Fourth Army Headquarters at Fort Sam Houston. The Spences had received word that their daughter Louanne, her husband Ben Taylor, and their children would arrive on 22 December from Turkey and would be stationed at Fort Sam Houston.

The Millers had heard from the Weyands in July that they were planning to take off on a trip to the Far East on 8 September. Bob and Eve McBride were in southern California this summer where they went to attend the wedding of Eve's son, Capt. Stephan Place of the Air Force. We hear that Duke Townsend and his wife maintain their home in Los Angeles but spend the winter in Palm Springs.

After visiting their children and grandchildren in the East, and after attending our reunion at West Point, Cramp and Harriot Jones went to Montreal and took the Canadian National Railroad to Jasper National Park, to Lake Louise, and Banff. From there to visit Cramp's sister on Orcas Island near Seattle. Then south to Palo Alto to look in on his other sister, and to Carmel to visit Harriot's brother, Maj. Gen. Howze. Then back by the southern route to their home in El Paso. The Jones's grandson entered West Point in July. He wrote that he had learned the definition of leather and Scott's fixed opinion, and so Cramp guesses that things have not changed in 54 years.

The Pricketts also did some traveling this summer. In June they motored to Maine. Then in August they spent two weeks in Michigan. Their daughter Peggy's husband, Gen. Miller, who is on duty in Vietnam, is in line for permanent brigadier general as well as temporary major general. The Pricketts' second daughter's husband, Francis Roberts,

who is stationed at SHAPE headquarters in Europe, is in line for temporary brigadier general.

The Scotts' son Gilbert was married to Gloria Jean Barnes in Kansas City the last of August, and Mary and Stan flew out to attend the wedding. They said Gilbert and his bride were honeymooning in the Virgin Islands. Gilbert has been stationed in Santo Domingo for the past year and has received his second Army Commendation Medal for the work he has done there. He was due to leave Santo Domingo in October of this year and report to Fort Bragg.

Susan Cockrell had a lively 10 days in September. While her son Jim and his wife went off for a 10-day vacation, their five youngsters stayed with Susan, although her oldest grandson, Chris, could spend only a day or two with her before taking off for Dickenson where he was entering college.

Bobbie O'Hare took a cruise this summer on the S.S. *Sagafjord*, going first to Ireland before touring the Scandanavian countries. Bobbie left the ship for 3 days of sightseeing in Russia. The Russian plane that flew her party to Moscow had no seat belts, and Bobbie, with some concern, remarked about this omission. She was not completely reassured when the Russian stewardess explained that seat belts were not really necessary "because this plane has never crashed."

Bob and Caroline Walsh did not get to Cape Cod this summer, but left Washington the first of September for a motor trip to Chardon, Ohio, to visit old friends, and to Michigan, returning East by way of West Point where they spent a very pleasant 4 days at the Thayer. Cards from Jean Lange to the Scotts and the Gallaghers written from Flagstaff, Arizona, in August, told of vacationing in Grand Canyon National Park with Jean's son Lee and his family. Jean had been hospitalized for 8 days this summer, so it was good to hear that she was about again and enjoying the trip.

It is with sincere regret that we report the death of two of our classmates, Roy Rutherford and DeRosey Carroll Cabell. Roy had been living for some time in Encinitas, California. His illness was reported in two previous issues of ASSEMBLY. He died in the Pendleton Hospital on June 13th and was buried in the cemetery at Fort Rosecrans. Rosey had been living in Indianapolis, Indiana, for the past few years. He died on July 5th. The sympathy of the Class is extended to Rosey's family and to Roy's.

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'17

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Plans for our 50th Reunion next June are shaping up. When Fred Irving was at West Point in June he was informed that we can expect that reservations will be available at the Thayer Hotel Thursday and Friday of June Week. However, as the Superintendent's policy provides that priority be given to the graduating class after noon on Saturday, there may at best be only a limited number of rooms for Saturday night. For this reason there is considerable sentiment in the Class in favor of having the class dinner Thursday night. Final decision on this can be made later, when fuller information on accommodations will be available. Friday is registration day for alumni, and it is expected that there will be cocktails and a dinner dance that evening. Saturday is Alumni Day, with the review in the morning, followed by the As-

sociation of Graduates' Luncheon in Washington Hall. The ARMY-Navy baseball game is to be played in the afternoon.

Fred and Vivian Irving returned 1 August from a 3-month trip to Europe where they enjoyed a good visit with their son Fred and his family. Fred says that in their future travels he and Vivian plan to see more of the good old U.S.A.

Bill and Jule Heavey spent part of the summer in Europe, too, and returned on a plane of the Icelandic Airline which they found to be excellent. And in August Dot Eagles and daughter Bunny spent several weeks in England while Bill tended the home fires—and the dog.

During the summer, Mark and Renie Clark did some fishing in Florida, and while they were down there they had dinner in the St. Petersburg area with Bill and Eve Harrison, Doc and Bertha Johnson, and Jack and Jean Stewart. Later they visited Asheville, N.C., where they had dinner with Harris and Hannah Jones.

Last winter, Jack Nygaard had a very enjoyable 3-week visit with Wayne and Renie Clark in Charleston, and also saw considerable of the Joe Sullivans while there. Later, Jack stopped long enough in Birmingham, Alabama, for an early-morning phone chat with Jeff Steiner. Jeff has not been back to West Point since graduation, but he expects to be back for our 50th Reunion. In June, Jack was back at West Point for his eighth straight June Week.

Last May Charlie and Nina Gerhardt received unusual orders, unusual in that they were Department of Defense orders issued to *both* of them: "The Secretary of Defense authorizes and invites you to travel from Orlando, Florida, . . . to Paris, France, and return to Orlando, Florida, via first-class commercial air as representatives of the United States for the purpose of participating in the Normandy Commemorative D-Day ceremonies."

Charlie writes, "The trip turned out real good, and the French were most cordial," and he generously adds, "Dutch Cota was the one that made the landing on our beach a success."

Both Charlie and Nina brought back the strong conviction that the French people are very friendly toward America, a conviction bolstered by several examples of affection and courtesy. After the formal ceremonies and the procession through the French countryside were concluded, Charlie and Nina were charmingly entertained by the family of Pere Leclerc, son of the French General Leclerc, whose division was the first to re-enter Paris in 1944, at their Mesnil-Guillaume chateau, which has been in the Leclerc family for hundreds of years. Then, after returning to Paris, Charlie and Nina went to Heidelberg, where they visited their daughter and her family.

To all members of our Class it will come as very sad news that Laurence Meacham died on 24 September. After suffering a heart attack on 12 September, he was taken to Harford Memorial Hospital in Havre de Grace, Md., where he was a patient at the time of his death. The sincere sympathy of the Class is extended to his wife, Adele.

In our last issue we noted that Red Herron had taken a bride; but now we have received the sad news that his new-found happiness was short-lived. Red died on 25 June. The sympathy of the Class is extended to his wife, Miriam.

A note from Jim Hayden brings the sad news that Jeanie Campbell died on 23 August, apparently of a heart attack. Services were held in the Los Altos Chapel of Spang-

ler Mortuary. Jack Code arranged for flowers from the Class. Among those who attended the service were Paul and Ida Brown, Jack and Isabelle Code, Sally Coulter, Virginia Heraty, Edie Kilburn, Louis Martin, Love Mullins, and Sid and Marjory Young. The heartfelt sympathy of the Class is extended to Alex.

AUG
'17

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Unhappily I inform you that Bill Whittington left our ranks on the second of July in Newton, New Jersey. Lillian has the sincere sympathy of every one of us. Bill rests in the cemetery at West Point whither Bryant Moore, Jack Coffey, and George Eyster have preceded him. Our Class was represented at the services by Hi Ely, Dutch Gerhardt, and Sam Ringsdorf.

Running to the other end of the age spectrum, your Scribe has been taken to task for referring to Addison Ely as a Class Grandson. Will all please note the error and forgive a tired old man. The latter probably had the "grand" idea on his mind, having lately, and reluctantly, become a great-great uncle. In the middle of the age gamut, let us all make obeisance to Victoria Almquist whose Hook is the first of our class progeny to be nominated for a second star.

Something must be missing from the Paradise of the Pacific, else why do its citizens so love to visit offshore? George Hirsch reports as news that they, the Leaveys, and the Harloes are all on Oahu at the same time. George admits that during the past five years they (Hirsches) have visited: the Mainland, Alaska, New Zealand, Australia, Pago Pago, and other South Sea Islands to include Fiji. The islands were done on a 52-foot motor-sailer with the Griffiths (daughter and family). The Hirsches had cancelled out and gone home before the Griffiths took on successively the Cape of Good Hope and Old Cape Stiff. South of Africa they encountered a storm so severe that for a time they were running before the wind under bare poles. Cape Horn followed that experience, and one understands George's relief on learning that the intrepid couple was in Valparaiso.

The Hirsch family does not do things by halves. Tom came home from England for a familiarization course on the F-104C which can fly on the level faster than the speed of sound. On his way back to England he ferried a new plane. It used fuel so rapidly that he had to have three refuelings in the air en route. Nothing like that ever happened to us in the brave old days with Pawnee Bill.

Bart and Virginia Harloe were ill repaid for Bart's civic devotion. While he was attending a city council hearing, their house was ransacked to the tune of a substantial loss. Sorry as I was to get such news, I could not forbear a snicker at the sequel. Obviously one locks the barn door after the horse is gone, and a watchdog is one way to do it. But the Engineer came out in Bart; they selected a 7-weeks-old (at time of writing) dachshund puppy. They hope that when Lucian Truscott III heads for Vietnam this fall, daughter Anne will elect to join the puppy in safeguarding the Harloe heritage.

It was wonderful to get a holograph from Froggy Reeder. (Froggy and I lived together in Beast Barracks where one day we accumulated a combined number of demerits which set an Academy record in doubles

competition.) He provided news of others which I have scattered here and there, but for himself he offered a challenge to all '18 flower fans and especially to Hi Ely. His unedited remarks follow.

"Frog Reed has completed his 10th year in trying to have a camellia bloom in each month, and has missed only 3 months in the decade. Some judicious pruning in April can produce blooms a year later. Use of gibberellic (Ed. Whew!) acid can force early blooms. For example, gibbed terminals on plants due to bloom at Christmas, now (August) have blooms. The other skulduggery (only one 'l' in that word, Froggy) that Frog is up to, is making cut flowers last a long time.

"For Hi Ely: last Dec 4th, he displayed at the Arboretum a cymbidium that had been cut on May 14th. Maybe these orchids can be city slicked easier than daisies."

We in Washington missed seeing George Herbert when he was here briefly. He was on a trip in which he, Kay, and young Doug flew East and rented a car to visit Washington, Carlisle Barracks, Philadelphia, New York, and West Point. There was then a week in LA after which they were ready to resume the quiet life in Oregon.

Jimmy Hea's travels were not so fortunate. He and Harriett were driving to Vancouver, British Columbia, and were nearly there when Jimmy had a fall (cold sober at the time) and broke his arm, as well as four ribs. They flew home and sent son Marshal to recover the car. The cast is off now, and Jimmy reports having enough strength to lift a glass, and enough dexterity to shuffle cards. Undiscouraged, they are planning a junket to visit their doctor son in the midwest.

Harry Rising is another accident victim. In the old days, courses at the Ordnance School did not include the care and feeding of electric lawnmowers. Because of this gap in his technical training, Harry nearly took off two fingers. Undaunted he set off on a trip. His first care was to be useful to his daughter, Isabel Rising Smith, at the Presidio—she was convalescing from peritonitis which followed a burst appendix. The airplane strike graciously extended his stay from 2 to 4 weeks. Harry also had time for a side trip to Los Angeles where he had two days with Bob Bringham and a conducted tour of city and county by Squire Reed. Besides that, he dropped in on Harry Junior at Provo, and got in 3 days of fishing in the Flaming Gorge of the Snake River; rainbow trout were snapping at Mickey Finn flies.

Nor was that all. Back in Falls Church on July 23rd, he and Harriett set out for a week at a summer hotel in New Hampshire, after which they visited friends in Barrington, Rhode Island, Albany, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and Ontario. The finale was some good fishing in Lake Waconichi in Northern Quebec during late August and early September.

Bob Bringham's boys are all doing very well, but the one who possibly swells Bob's chest with pride the most is Pete, the youngest. He is an engineer at the Radiation Lab in Berkeley. From the same area comes news of Gretl Betholet. She is planning a Mediterranean and Near East cruise this coming winter. We hope it will terminate at our 50th.

Phil Day informs us of an event about which the modest Clyde Morgan would doubtless remain mute: Clyde made a hole-in-one on the Winter Park course where he plays regularly, rain or shine. The Days, while North to escape the Florida heat, joined the Rolfes in visiting the Sarackas. Swede describes himself as a vegetable man; he raises them for himself and neighbors after

first providing adequately for the deprivations of his four-footed friends. Claims he once had a dog that ate apples. (Poor animal didn't know that doctors do not recognize vets as part of the profession.) Swede still has the schoolmaster's itch and does some tutoring besides the gardening and bridge. He doesn't think the "new arithmetic" will last. Well, Swede, there were: evolution, the motor car, and the airplane.

Helen Bacon has discontinued her decorating business, but Bob is still working, though fewer hours than formerly, he says. They have a possible first, both sons in the same Leavenworth class now in session.

Miles Cowles plans a checkup at Walter Reed in October. Why, one might well ask? Miles says they travel while they still can, and the itinerary is abundant proof of excellent health. From New York to Capetown by luxurious freighter, then a cruise up the East Coast, making the interesting ports. They started home by air from Laurencos Marques by a most indirect route: Johannesburg; Nairobi, where they lingered a month and managed to make a safari in Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda; a month in Rome with side trips; finally Switzerland and home. Unless his checkup results in hospitalization, we can expect Miles and Anne at the Fiftieth.

The amazing heat reduced the Washington contingent, although Lois Stamps came back while temperatures were still steady in the nineties. But Bill and Louise Paca escaped to New England; Loessa Coffey headed for Germany to visit Mara and see Rising, above. Still, we got good attendance at the monthly luncheons. Conner, Durfee, Jones, Warner, and Hook Almquist made all three. Hasbrouck, Reeder, Fred Sharp, and Larry Jones were clocked at two, and present for one were Griffith, Paca, and Rising. Phil Day joined the group in June. The ladies met in August; present were: Mesdames Belfinger, Jones, Rising, O'Keefe, Bingham, and Huff. Donations to the class fund came from Jules Schaefer and Bob Hoffman. The latter furnished a change of address which all should record—2708 Harrison, Evanston, Illinois. The three inseparables, Dorothy and Red Warner and Red Durfee, scampered down to Petersburg to attend the wedding of their nephew, 1st Lt. Thomas J. Durfee ('64) to Miss Linda Lee Andrews.

From time to time I think we should hear about our gifted class wives in addition to reading about the ills of crotchety old men. Fifteen years ago Margaret Belfinger went to work seriously on art, studying at the Corcoran Gallery, and then four years at American University. She is now painting very successfully—no abstracts, thank God! For example, she had two, one-man month-long exhibits at Garfinckel's Seven Corners store. Last year and this year she has had similar shows at Garfinckel's Spring Valley store, a better place both to hang pictures and to sell them. In '65 she sold 11 there, but this year the falling stock market made business slack and only 7 were taken. Of course, she has exhibited elsewhere—other than one-man affairs. She is booked for a one-man show at the Rockville Civic Center in 1967 where she will hang 25 paintings. To date she has sold 55. One of them, a painting of her two grandsons in yellow slickers, shows the older helping the younger across a street. It was bought by the Big Brothers organization and hangs in the main room of their quarters in New York.

Your scribe reports that he has finally finished the *Widower's Cookbook* and now seeks a publisher. Completion of the book had to be rushed in order to remain ethical. Miss Grace Bogart, reference librarian for NASA,

a charming girl whom some of you have met, relished my cooking and encouraged my writing. It seemed only fair to reward her with my hand. That gracious act was performed on September 3rd. On the 9th, the giggling couple set off on a trip to the West, flying to Denver, and then by rented car through the National Parks to San Francisco. Home will be the Scribe's humble residence of the past 20 years. As an economy move, this paragraph constitutes an announcement to the Class—a lot fewer envelopes to address and stamp.

JUN
'18

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Our column for this issue will be devoted in part to our forthcoming 50th Reunion and a continuation of comments in my last quarterly letter of 24 Aug. Time marches on, and while I write this column on 13 Sept., you probably will not be reading it until the year 1967, and that brings us within a year of our 50th Reunion in 1968. Responses to the last quarterly letter have been good, and I shall recount a few of them. And, since my next quarterly letter will reach you before this column, I shall repeat some of them therein.

As most of you know, WP is undergoing a vast new construction program to handle a greatly enlarged Corps. The size of the present Corps already makes it necessary for reunion classes to forego reservations at the Thayer Hotel, with the exception of the especially honored 50th Reunion Class, which, in 1968, will be June '18 and Nov '18. This will be our last June '18 Group Reunion, and I sincerely hope every member of our Class, our wives, and our widows, who can possibly make it, will be there.

Many letters have been received from classmates, wives, and widows, stating that, God willing, they plan to attend the reunion. Jigger Cobb wrote: "Both of us, or the survivor, will no doubt be present." Alice Kramer says: "Long ago I got Frances Lewis's promise to be her roommate at the 68 reunion, so you see I am all set, God willing." Bit Barth wrote: "Good-bye for now. We're looking forward to 1968." Same comment for Squire Foster.

The responses to staying at the Thayer Hotel seem to be most favorable because of its greater convenience for us now "not-so-young folks." Scip Axelson sounded the keynote on this decision when he wrote: "The 50th Reunion is about the most important one for our Class. We all will want to be there, but distance, finances, and the infirmities of old age may make it inadvisable for some to attend. Norma and I had talked it over, and more or less given up the idea of planning on it until we received your letter. If Growley can get us the Thayer Hotel, even for just a couple of days, it changes the whole picture. For our 50th, we feel that we are entitled to be on the post and not 10 or 20 miles away from all activities. When you don't drive, the picture changes. Norma doesn't drive now, and I'm not sure that I will still be driving 2 years from now. So, let's hope that Growley is successful, since it will give us something to "pipe" for the next 2 years. Of course, a lot can happen to any and all of us during the next couple of years, but I feel that having the 50th to look forward to will help to keep us going." Bless you, Scip, for your comments. Many responses of a similar nature have been

received, especially from widows, who say, "Being at the Thayer makes it so much simpler for those of us who do not bring cars." Being closer to the Academy grounds, as well as lounging around the Thayer, will give the romantic oldtimers of June '18 the right background atmosphere for our last big group effort.

The responses, both in contributions and comments, for our 50th Reunion class gift to WP have been most generous. Jigger Cobb wrote: "I recall that the thing was sort of hung up on a skyhook at the class meeting at our 45th Reunion." Jigger feels that the gift should be more personal than a contribution to the Supe's Fund. But, like your Scribe, "hoped that we may do both." Even some of our widows want to know why they can't make a small contribution. They can. Send it to Tom Kern. They also lean toward the "personal," and again ask: "Why not both?"

Here your Scribe throws out another of his usual wild suggestions. In our class treasury we have 2 Missouri-Pacific RR bonds, face value \$1,800; present market value, \$1,220. At our 50th Reunion business meeting, why not vote these bonds over to the Supe's Fund? It is true that we get \$85.50 annual interest to take care of our class expenses—and we do have some. However, I feel we can get along with the few personal contributions we get from time to time. We can't take it with us, and perhaps seeing these bonds serving a more useful purpose in the interest of our Alma Mater may bring greater satisfaction to many of us. Your comments are most welcome. And, if part of our class gift is to be of a more personal nature, comments are in order as to its form. Some of you write that you do not care how our contribution is used so long as it is for a good purpose. All well and good, but I doubt if those of us present at our 50th Reunion business meeting will be able to make a decision in the 15 minutes available.

There is still another item on the agenda, and that is your Scribe's replacement. By the time our 50th takes place, I will have served over 7 years in this capacity. It will be time for a change of pace, and there are many classmates, some just recently retired for the second time, living in the big centers of activity where their eyes and ears are closer attuned to what is going on. Age should be no barrier, since your Scribe is the 4th oldest member of our Class and the 2d oldest living, being surpassed only a few months by Earle Rundell. Our 50th, including our business meeting, should be as Clarry Townsley put it, THE BIG REUNION.

And now a note of sadness. It is with deep sorrow that I report the death of Adelaide Baish, wife of Heinie Baish. Adelaide died suddenly after undergoing surgery at Walter Reed Hospital on 23 Aug 1966, and was buried in Arlington National Cemetery on 26 Aug. Adelaide, a native of Washington, D.C., was an active church worker both as an organist and with youth organizations. Lovely and charming Adelaide will be deeply missed by her many friends. Our loss of Adelaide emphasizes the deeper meaning of June '18—a small, compact group of classmates, wives, and widows, all attuned to each other.

The visit of the Rundells to the Bit Barths' summer home in our north country brought back a flood of memories of early service together in 1918-19 at Fort Benning. And what did they talk about? Girls! Bit wrote that they all liked and respected Earle, and his young bride Bee was an immediate favorite with the less fortunate bachelors of the Class. Again Bit carried his memories back-

ward when he recalled that the previous summer, when Laura and Eddie Sibert visited them, he had remarked that the years had been good to them. Laura, then Laura Carey, was one of the loveliest and most popular of our Kaydet girls, but everyone knew that Eddie had the "inside track" with her. Postcards from Pat and Dorothy Casey, mailed from Coblenz, started Bit off again: "That was where we all were together in the early twenties in the AF in Germany. Dorothy Miller was the most popular American girl in Coblenz. She played the field. Most of her swains were from Pat's regiment, the 1st Engrs, but Squire Foster and I were in the gang. In fact, the men of the wedding party were all beaux of hers. We didn't know for a long time that Pat was the favored one. We all had a tacit understanding that whoever had a date with Dorothy would produce her at the officers club at 10 p.m. The rest of us who could make it would gather at the club where we had a large table reserved, and wait for Dorothy and her date. She had a sparkle that we all loved."

Pierre Agnew wrote in a similar vein, after my coverage in the spring issue, of our early days at Fort McIntosh where lovely Kate Agnew and Sylvia Shattuck were so much a part of our Mounted Engr activities.

Next comes a nostalgic episode from the Bellinger menage. Mary has been their maid-of-all-work for some 25 years. Recently, Rose was supervising and assisting her in moth-proofing and wrapping up the rugs for summer, and when the job was done, Rose said: "Never before has this job tired me so much," to which Mary replied: "Mrs. Billington, you ain't never been so old before." Laddie remarked that, while their name is still Bellinger, Mary still calls Rose "Mrs. Billington." After 25 years this proves to his legal mind that individual, independent contractors (as written in the law books) retain virtues that can become either lost or dormant in the Organization Man. We like the sample and are ready for more comments "Mr. Billington."

After returning from their European jaunt, the Caseys proceeded to their summer home in Vermont where they have been puttering around, having fun at all kinds of odd jobs, riding about the beautiful country, and getting in a bit of golf at the local course. One of their visits brought them to Woodley Acres for a cook-out with the Lorences at poolside. Laura and Bus Howard '27 also joined us.

After 10 weeks in Europe, the Jigger Cobbs were glad to get back home. At Amsterdam they ran into a street riot, including plenty of rifle and pistol fire, as well as bottle- and brick-throwing. They were shoved around a bit, Nell getting off with a light sprained ankle and Jigger with nary a scratch. Jigger said it seemed a bit odd that with all our riots in this country they had to get into Holland's first.

Despite a summer of drought, the Jadwins still got about 9,000 bales of hay. Peg raked it and Connie baled 90% of it. Wow! I thought I was doing good when I got 1,600 bales as a hobby. Connie agreed that Growley did such a splendid job on the 45th Reunion that he will go along with anything he lines up. He also thought the Thayer Hotel deal marvelous—not so much shuffling back and forth. Connie added another suggestion that sounds good: How about an extra room for general entertainment, instead of keeping one couple up all night, every night. Amen!

Alice Kramer visited with Dottie Lewis Simpson (Hal and Frances Lewis's daughter) in Seattle this summer. At one time the Simpsons were next-door neighbors in San

Mateo, and Alice is godmother to their youngest. Frances Lewis visited Alice briefly in August. Son Bunny is doing well with his IBM job; has an apartment on a houseboat in Sausalito. He is in a Reserve G2 unit and has completed this year's active duty training.

Bud Miley reports that classmates still get together for lunch at the Army-Navy Club in Washington once a month where they discuss class matters, including the info in the class letters. Bob Bishop now has the chore of assembling the group.

The Robinsons, after attending a meeting of the New England Conference on Crime and Delinquency at York Harbor, Maine, ended up at the Lorences for a brief visit. Robbie will retire for the second time in about 2 years, and both he and Barbara have become intensely interested in American pattern glass which Robbie intends to make his future activity after retirement. Thus, visits to antique shops in the area were in order.

After P.W. Smith's retirement as Assoc. Prof. of math at St. Lawrence U. in Canton, he and Carol moved to their summer home at 20 Cliff St., North Weymouth, Mass. 02191, where they will live each year from June thru August, and later, May thru September, after certain improvements are made for cooler weather. For the first few years they expect to spend the other months in the quarters of their oldest son, Col. Kenneth B. Smith, USAF (June '43), on duty with Hq MAC, Scott AFB, Ill. Carol and P.W.'s address will be: 104 8th St., Qtrs 216W, Scott AFB, Ill., 62225. P.W. adds: "Many years have passed since we lived on a post—the last was Fort Belvoir, just 40 years ago. Now we look forward to enjoying life on an Air Force base, this time in civies." An intriguing incident in the life of the Smiths is that son Kenneth entered the Point just 25 years after June '18 and also graduated in 3 years, exactly 25 years after his dad. Now, don't we have fun with statistics and fond memories?

Scip Axelson talked with Joe Zak recently and discovered that he had had another bout with the surgeons at the Naval Hospital. He returned home on 3 July, but had to return for another minor job on 15 Sept. Joe and his wife Ann both sounded bright and cheerful over the phone. Joe remarked that on 2 July he had had his 73rd birthday which puts your reporter right back into the "young and spry" group.

We owe a debt of gratitude to Clarry Townsley, who, in addition to supervising several grandchildren at his summer place on Squam Lake, N.H., has spent many hours on class problems, particularly our 50th Reunion. Growley and I have had much correspondence with Clarry on these subjects during the past 6 months.

Here's to our 50th Reunion!

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Roger Wicks, our class president, has appointed Willard Holbrook to be chairman of our 50th Reunion committee and requested him to select the other members. Hunk did a splendid job as chairman of the 45th Reunion committee. We all know that he will do it again. No one is better qualified or equipped. Hunk is at the moment in Harkness Pavilion, Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, 180 Ft. Washington Ave., New York City. He has had a successful knee

operation to relieve a severe arthritic condition. Al Gruenther had the same operation and is back in Washington greatly improved, so Hunk should be on the job soon. One of his first tasks will be to sound out class sentiment on whether to hold the reunion along with other senior classes in June, to hold it the following autumn, or possibly to do both. Some West Coast classmates express a preference for the autumn date.

V.J. Conrad died in his sleep the night of 26-27 August. It is the final chapter in a story of great bravery. His delaying action was valiantly fought. He was buried at Rosehill Cemetery, Whittier, Calif., on 1 Sept. His honorary pallbearers were classmates. V.J. was a voluminous writer, corresponding with classmates all over the world. The production of this column will be more difficult without his flow of newsy letters. Just before he died I had a long letter from him with class news and enclosures concerning graduation exercises, curriculum, etc., of Linson College, Dzau's Magnum Opus in Macau.

Another death to report is that of Kathleen Scrivener Chadwick, Ben's wife, on 19 August in a San Antonio hospital where she had been fighting a losing battle for some months.

George B. McReynolds writes, seconding Charlie Morrison's idea of an autumn class reunion in 1968, and reports that he saw Bixby, now in good shape, who is well situated in Walnut Creek Leisure World. A.M. Wilson is also there. Letters from Bixby confirm the above, and bring enclosures of pictures and brochures which evidence a very comfortable, carefree, existence. Dean Dickey and Virginia spend their summers in an outdoor sporting version of Bixby's Garden of Eden. Dean has been going to the Oregon mountain resort area since 1928 when he first bought a place there. It is located on a trout stream in a valley on the east slope of the Cascade Mountains at 3,000 ft. elevation, and has a delightful climate from June until October. In October the Dickeys return to Borrego Springs, Calif., a desert community similar to Palm Springs. Dean is promoting a get-together of West Coast classmates at the Cal-ARMY game.

During the summer Dean had written to me for Gene Vidal's address. The resulting correspondence prompted a letter from Gene which he specifically forbids me to publish. However, as he is 350 miles away, I shall, hoping not to offend, quote a sentence or two: "We, too, have a most attractive site in the country on a small mountain with a double view, a lake on one side and a cliff to a valley on the other." The Vidals spend about 3/4 of their time there, the rest traveling. Gene still does development work and is a consultant to several companies as well as to the Army. His address is Avon, Conn.

Al Miller, at 12140 Tiptoe Lane, Los Altos, Calif., enclosed a speech by Congressman Gubser quoting a study by the Peninsula Retired Officers Club pointing out the inequity of the retired pay provision now in force. Al visited Charlie Bathurst during the summer at his cabin near Prescott, Ariz., and reports 80° temperature there when it was 108° in Phoenix—a very comfortable place with a great view, clear air—a great place to rest.

Bixby reports: "Early in July Bill Blair wrote that he was planning a quick trip to San Francisco and the Bay Area and wanted to see as many classmates and their wives as possible. He generously suggested that he would give the party if I could arrange it, and specified July 26. The result was a no-host lunch in the Hunt Room of the Naval Officers Mess on Treasure Island with cock-

tails and wine furnished by Bill who appeared slim, trim, and in fine fettle. The Navy turned out cocktails and luncheon in good style. At the luncheon were Bill Blair as guest of honor, Fred Butler, Al and Ruth Miller, A.M. and Juliette Wilson, Mack and Helen Monroe, Maude and Frances Muller, Ruby and Bix Bixby, 12 in all.

"I guess you are aware that a year ago in May Ruby and I moved into our new home in Rossmoor Leisure World in Walnut Creek. The remainder of 1965 was a bit tough for me. I had a battle with piloric ulcers which developed over a 6-year period following the cancer operation in 1960. That operation ended the cancer, and happily another in December 1965 ended the ulcers. Now I am in fine shape, playing golf, writing, and eating and drinking everything that comes my way, without diet or medication.

"Ruby and I took a trip in June to Riverside and Hemet. There we had dinner with Murray and Wiley Carter and Mrs. A.J. Daugherty. In Hemet we visited, golfed, and swam with Isabel and Chuck Gildart. Chuck had recovered from his operation and is beginning to talk again of trips to far places. We have just had a note from Virginia and Dean Dickey en route to their summer home at Camp Sherman, Oreg., where we hope to embroil them in another round of Dean's swindlous card game that you play with nickels, which he always wins, dammit.

"I am now working on Chapter 7 of my book, but writing was badly slowed down last fall by my ulcer, and this summer by golf."

Fred Pearson wrote in July: "Charley Moore is at home and getting along fine. He goes back to the hospital for checkups and treatments, but nothing serious. 'Seldom' Works was transferred to the Naval Hospital at Corpus Christi. Vera said she would let me know how he was getting along, but so far, no word. They did all they could for him at Brooke Hospital and then transferred him to Corpus Christi. He was getting very anxious to get back home. They told Vera that he had a leakage of blood into the brain and his chances for recovery were 50/50. While here he made a remarkable recovery. He was alert and could carry on a conversation. He has no paralysis which to me is wonderful.

"Had a letter from B.J. Slifer. He was at the hospital at Pendleton. He was operated on May 5th for colostomy and was in the intensive care ward for 9 days. He said he was getting better each day, so I hope he is out by now. Chuck and Isabel Gildart had been there to see him.

"My son and his wife and their three little youngsters recently spent a week with us, and there wasn't a dull moment. I surely miss them since they have gone. They kept the old man jumping. It seems that what had been diagnosed as arthritis in my left shoulder and arms is a bunch of pinched nerves in the armpit and shoulder. I am using a lot of heat on it and also exercising it, and it is considerably better. It certainly has been painful."

Heinie Bergman, 80 Broad St., New York, N.Y. 10004, writes: "I keep quite active having just returned from a trip to the West Coast and Canada. Mrs. Bergman and I had the honor of having the Ambassador of Japan to the United Nations and his wife and two daughters as our guests at West Point for Graduation Exercises, at the Chapel, and lunch at the Officers Club. My work entails a great deal of travel. I am leaving for Mexico on the 4th of July and hope to go to Thailand sometime this summer. My daughter Ingrid Tedford is getting her Ph.D. in

Scandinavian languages and literature at Berkeley, Calif. My granddaughter, Ingrid Finlayson, is an honor student in her 4th year at the University of British Columbia. The women in my family are very brilliant."

Archie Colwell writes from 23555 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44117: "Sallie and I have returned from a cruise aboard the Norwegian ship *Bergensfjord* to Fiji, New Zealand, Pitcairn Island, Easter Island, Chile, through the Straits of Magellan, and up the east coast of South America. Although the trip was a bit long, we thoroughly enjoyed it.

"What I am really writing you about is a most unusual coincidence. I have been going to a comparatively young doctor for some time whose name is Gordon Meacham. Last week when I saw him he looked at my ring and said, 'What ring is that?' When I told him West Point, he said his father graduated from the Academy in 1917. It had never occurred to me before to link his name with Meacham of '17, who was my company commander. We had quite a visit about the Academy.

"I am enclosing a little program of which I have been quite proud, and I thought you might like to see it. I do hope to get down in the fall for one of the Wednesday luncheons."

The program Archie mentions is a brochure describing the establishment by the Society of Automotive Engineers of the Dr. Arch T. Colwell Merit Award to be given annually to the authors of papers of outstanding technical and professional merit which shall have been presented at a meeting of the Society or any of its sections during the calendar year.

VanVoorst and Alicia celebrated Van's birthday on 13 August at Rehoboth Beach, Del., where they were vacationing.

Is this our first class great-grandchild? Jean Bevans, widow of our classmate Stu Bevans, writes that she has become a great-grandmother. Christopher S. Knox, born 8 June 1966, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Knox Jr., grandson of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Gonseth of Fort Monmouth, N.J., and great-grandson of our Jean and Stu. Jean lives in the same apartment building as the Peckhams, 4301 Massachusetts Ave., NW., Washington, D.C. 20016.

Harrison Shaler has sold his Pasadena property. He and Dorothy are comfortably and happily installed in a Leisure World set-up. Their address is 380D Avenida Castilla, Laguna Hills, Calif., 92653, telephone 714-837-8369.

A late letter from Bixby states: "It looks as if things are shaping up for the ARMY-California game out here in Berkeley. Ericson informs me that he and Allison Miller are making arrangements so that we may avoid the game traffic by driving to Treasure Island, then all going from there to the game by chartered bus. After the game we'll return to Treasure Island for a class party in the Navy Officers Club. Sounds like a wing-ding under construction. Chuck and Isabel Gildart will come here to our house for a visit, and we'll attend the game together, while he is visiting us. Swede Ericson told me of quite an ordeal he had had with his eyes this summer, but is now recovering nicely.

"I haven't heard a word from West Point about the manuscript I sent in describing O'Rouark's and my half century in arrest. I'm beginning to wonder if they are checking the records. We may have to do that slug yet!"

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Just after the last Notes for ASSEMBLY had been dispatched, the sad news of the death of Ed Sebree was received. Since his retirement in 1957, he had been living in Carmel, California. Count Wilson attended the services for Ed at the Presidio National Cemetery on 25 June and reports that Hobart Hewett, Jack Vance, and Ike Ritchie were also there. An acknowledgement of the Class expression of sympathy has been received from Polly and her daughters. Count also mentions seeing Jimmy Crawford '11 who had been visiting in and about San Francisco for several weeks. Many of us remember Jimmy's struggles with the math goats. Count wrote that he planned to attend the open golf tournament late in June.

Andy Kanaga advises that his temporary address is 30772 Calle Chueca, San Juan Capistrano, California. Let us hope for the sake of harassed typists and proofreaders that he settles at last on Smith Street in Jones Falls. When Andy reached 65, he retired from his job with the California Division of Corporations, and he and Helen traveled by "space available" to the Far East. Andy is the first correspondent to mention his hope to make it back up the Hudson in 1969. It is surely not too soon for us to start laying plans for the 50th. As a basic step, tentative reservations have been made at the Thayer Hotel on the Academy grounds for 30 couples, more or less. A recent policy at the Academy establishes priority for the 50-year Class at the Thayer, which is operated by the U.S. Government. That priority covers only a limited time, but the period does include all events of primary interest to the older graduates. No mention has been made so far of money, but I daresay that appeals for earnest money will be forthcoming in due course. Accommodations at the Thayer will certainly prove to be more convenient than those we have had at past reunions.

Lynne and Fred Marlow were in Washington in June; they also visited the John Hardins on the Eastern Shore. During their stay, the Hardins had the Lopers, Phelps, Brannons, and Tates for dinner in honor of the visitors from the West. Marlow's new address is 6607 West 80th St., Los Angeles. He writes that he envies the Maryland classmates their good life and issues a blanket invitation to all of us to get in touch when we visit Los Angeles. Fred is still in the land developing field and reports that John Hardin frequently visits California in connection with his post at the head of a board of engineers working on a giant project to provide water for the southern part of the state. Packy McFarland, whose move to Scottsdale, Arizona, was mentioned in the last Notes, now reports that his new address is 7841 East Mariposa Drive where there is ample space for classmates and a golf course 150 yards away. He says his and Tom Crawford's paths seldom cross since he golfs in the afternoon and sleeps at night, while Tom sleeps in the afternoon and bowls at night. Francile and Bill Moroney were in Scottsdale in the spring visiting their son and his family. Those of you who have been following the adventures of Al Gruenther in these columns will be glad to know that he is becoming so inured to hip operations that he was able to return home in record time after the second one, and that as we go to press, he is about to resume his extensive travels after daily swims at Walter Reed or in his apartment pool.

From Chic Noble comes the sad news of the death of Bessie Elms in late August in El Paso. Funeral services were held at Fort Myer on 6 Sept. with burial in Arlington Cemetery. Chic, who attended June Week, was somewhat disappointed in the small class representation, only the Domineys, Meyers, and Greens being present. Chic had to leave early to attend a meeting of a committee of the 16th Armored Division Association in Detroit. The Nobles spent some time in Las Vegas this spring where they were treated as VIP's by a part-owner of several hotels who has recently been indicted for illegal activities. Chic says it pays to know the "right" people. The Wedemeyers and the Nobles were together in San Francisco later on.

Jack Whitelaw brings us up to date on his doings since 1955. After he retired in that year, he attended the University of Michigan where he was awarded a master's degree in library science. Since that time he has worked in the library of Michigan State University in East Lansing. He organized a library for the Highway Traffic Safety Center and later compiled a bibliography of traffic safety literature which was published by the Public Health Service. "Publish or perish," says Jack. He has been on the vestry and has served as senior warden of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. His latest library job is that of custodian of the rare-book collection. Recently, Jack was grand marshal of Lansing's Memorial Day parade which consisted of "everybody in Lansing who liked to march." With him at the head of the column were his two Whitelaw grandsons, whose father is a Lt. Col. in Vietnam. Jack also has a son-in-law in Vietnam. The Whitelaws are planning an excursion East at the end of the year after Jack's second retirement. He then proposes to devote himself entirely to grandchildren and genealogy.

An interesting letter from Stu Little brings out several of the more unusual facts about '19. He reminds us that classmates in World War II served in the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Merchant Marine, and the Coast Guard. He himself was a sergeant in the British Army from 1940 to 1942. Stu wants us to continue being unusual and suggests that a good way to insure this end would be to establish a trophy to be awarded to the First Captain each year, to be called the Tillman Trophy after "the kindly and scholarly gentleman with a walrus mustache, who put up with us with such gallant forbearance, that he was at long last made a BC." Another basis for the trophy's name could be Tillman's famous definition of leather. Stu invites discussion of this idea. His address is 500 Fifth Avenue, New York. He would also like to procure by purchase or gift a 1919 Howitzer. At the Washington combined classes luncheon in June, we were represented by: Barden, Brannon, Cranston, Hammond, Jones, McAuliffe, Ovenshine, Sherer, and Wedemeyer.

Just too late for the last issue, Bob Samsey weighed in with the latest dope on his family. His son Philip, '50, was expected to get his master's degree in mechanical engineering at Oklahoma State in August. Philip's wife, Pat, was to get a master's degree in English literature and composition at the same time. During their first 2 terms these young people both had A averages. The Samseys' daughter is married to a doctor in Toledo. There are a total of seven grandchildren. Bob closes with some trenchant remarks about the state of the union and says that the welcome mat is out for classmates reaching Toledo. Stone Sorley's father, a member of the Class of 1891 and one of the

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oldest graduates, died during the summer. His funeral at Arlington was attended by many of '19. Those of us who attended reunions will not soon forget his unflinching courtesy and good cheer and his very evident interest in our Class. Willie Palmer returned in July from an extended motor trip as far as the West Coast which was interrupted by a sojourn at the Great Lakes Naval Hospital. Willie was surprised by a visit in hospital from his Beast Barracks roommate, Jack Keeley, who drove down from his home in Wisconsin. One of Jack's sons is an Infantry major ('52); the other is a rising attorney.

Many of the Washington contingent have been on the road much of the summer. The McGinleys spent almost two months abroad on a golfing tour of Ireland. They had splendid weather and fine accommodations. In addition to playing numerous golf courses, they toured much of the country by automobile, with no difficulties in spite of the Irish custom of driving on the wrong side of the road. They had expected to travel through Wales, but were put off by the lack of places to stay because of the influx of visitors for the World Soccer Cup. They found themselves sometimes short of cash because the Irish banks were on strike. Then, when they arrived at Shannon Airport for the trip home, they were greeted with the news of the U.S. airline strike, but were not seriously upset by this as their reservations were on KLM. Peg says, however, that their plane was so full it was barely able to get off the ground.

Anabel and Herb Jones returned to the heat of Washington in late August after several weeks at a resort hotel in New Hampshire where they have stayed on various occasions. They had good weather, though dry, and Herb was able to sharpen his golf game so that he is a menace to the classmates who play at the U. S. Soldiers' Home golf course. For the record, those of the Class who are frequently seen at this course (not the Old Soldiers' Home) are: Barden, Brannon, Ferenbaugh, Jones, McAuliffe, Scherer, and Young. The Scherers completed a motor tour in August which included stops in several New England states as well as points in Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick. They report seeing Helen Bartlett and the Fred Dodges in Castine, Maine. They also called on Gillette '20, who, like Helen and the Dodges, lives in one of the imposing mansions on the principal residential street.

Bob Carter beats the deadline with the latest news from France. He writes: "We have been in Greece and enjoyed it even though August is the wrong time to go. One should go in spring or fall. We touched down at Izmir, Turkey, for a couple of hours just before they had that earthquake farther east. Last weekend we went to La Boule where I am involved in trying to sell an excellent chateau. On our trip to Europe, we were at La Boule on 22 July 1919. I didn't think that I would be swimming at that same beach 47 years after our first visit. We are going to drive to San Sebastian, Spain, and I plan a trip to the States in November, back here in December, and back to the States again in February for a couple of months."

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West Coast News. The Class of '20 on the West Coast is somewhat widely distributed, geographically. It divides naturally into four groups: Northwest, Central California, South-

ern California, and Scattered Southwest. There is one common denominator amongst the men, however, and that is the golf bag. In the Northwest, Charles "Hippo" Swartz has been improving his play each year and came in with a birdie four on the Fort Lewis 18th the other day. Ray Welch breaks 90 at McChord Field's course whenever he so desires. John Goff is still trying to stay in single figures on each hole and double figures for the eighteen. George Bare is gathering in the nickels on most holes at Fort Lewis.

Rhu Taylor, Culleton, and Eddie Plank, and others around San Francisco will have to report their own scores. But Bill Bartlett, Johnny Howard, and Herb Reuter around Monterey will give you a good handicap 'most any old time.

The Los Angeles area can report to Eddie McGaw, as he is now our West Coast class committeeman.

In Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico, Joe Langevin is now carrying the torch of victory and swings a mean driver. He awaits any challenges from Albuquerque, El Paso, or San Diego from among the Scattered Southwest contingent. The Northwest four-some welcomes any and all challenges henceforth.

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A couple of issues ago, mention was made of the fact that some of our Class have a tough time retiring. That was about the time we quoted a letter from Bill Kyle to the effect that "retirement has certain advantages." But in July comes the same business letterhead with: "As you will note, I did not quite retire. Fortunately, I got over my illness rather quickly. I had planned to give up everything here and not stand for re-election as an officer or a director at our annual meeting in May. However, I did stay on the Board (General Development Corp.) and my present assignment is not at all confining. I come to the office whenever I wish without any heavy responsibilities. I had several inquiries about my health after the spring ASSEMBLY notice, and apparently a few thought it was more serious than it turned out to be. Dot and I are leaving for a 6-week vacation in Europe toward the end of August. I hope to look up Rosy Raynsford while in Paris."

Wes Yale did retire from Stanford Research Corp., but he now lists himself on the letterhead as "military operations research consultant" at his new home: P.O. Box 2043, 1083 Trappers Trail, Monterey Peninsula Country Club, Pebble Beach, Calif. He has written to Frank Crary: "There are one or two contracts in sight over the remainder of the year. The Yales spent nearly 2 months last winter in Germany on a job I had with the German Ministry of Defense. Being sort of "on duty" with German corps and divisions was quite an experience for an old crock accustomed to socking them with a dozen battalions of TOT, but it was most interesting. But, as you know, Germany is not a place to vacation in winter. I expect to go back on a mission for the Army and perhaps for what may be left of NATO, hopefully locating at The Hague. In these days, that is the only place you can get a decent meal in Europe. And I don't ignore Paris. The memorial is a good idea, and it will be a pleasure to have a share in it."

The letter about the class memorial brought a breezy reply from Morris Marcus. "It has

been a long time since I heard from any members except those who live in California. I have today sent a check to the fund and plan to do so each year. Your letter solved one item which I have been pondering and that is how to solve our important reunions. I have always felt that '21 and '22 were the same Class, and that we should stick together. Since '21 is in the minority, we should consider our 45th Reunion to be in 1967 and our 50th in 1972. So far, due to distance and expense involved, I have been unable to attend any, but I sure hope I'll be able to one of these days. Our granddaughter is being married to a nephew of Mike Buckley (1923) on June 4th at Fort Mason. She has been living with us while attending San Francisco State College. Her parents live in Yuma, Arizona, so we are quite busy making the arrangements. Please give my best regards to those classmates you see. I know you get together once a month or so anyway. Ham Meyer is about the only one I see any more. The others live outside of San Francisco and either can't or don't come into town very often."

And Ed Lynch brought us more up to date in June: "Every time ASSEMBLY arrives I promise myself to send a progress report on our doings, but nothing happens. Our first item is that we are both well and duly thankful for that blessing. I had some surgery last February to repair a hernia and there were no complications. Bea gets a regular checkup, and there are no problems from her heart attack 5 years ago. She regulates her activity but finds time for her hobbies of African violets, bridge, and china painting. I am still teaching full-time at U. of Texas, and for several years have been acting chairman of the Management Dept. It is both interesting and rewarding and, after 10 years, I can see the feedback from former students. But most of all, I have come to appreciate the fundamental soundness of the instruction we had as cadets some 40 years ago. For the past 5 years I have been national secy-treas for the honorary and professional management fraternity, Sigma Iota Epsilon. I have supervised the administrative changes when it became the student division of The Academy of Management. My son is teaching at California State Polytechnic College at Pomona, and lately has a new field of interest: story editing for a movie outfit."

The Cooks and the McClures have signed up for a charter flight to Europe which is being sponsored by the Army-Navy Club. Orval and Minna go to the Middle East and North Africa, and Evelyn and Mark to Scandinavia.

As for the Lees, Allie and I have again spent the summer on Nantucket where the temperature got only as high as 90 degrees. This year was especially active for a while when we had the three active grandchildren visiting with us during their parents' vacation elsewhere. Have you tried that experience?

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Wendell Johnson did such a good job of filling in for me in the last ASSEMBLY that I hesitate to follow up on his fine performance. On behalf of all of you I want to thank him for the splendid results he achieved.

The Class roster that accompanied the 15 May Bulletin, like all its predecessors, generated several letters pointing out errors of various sorts. Changes will be consolidated

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1923: The Fitzmaurice-Garrecht party at the latter's home. Rear row (left to right): Garrecht, Enderton, Fitzmaurice, Jeff Binns' daughter, Palmer G.H., Fitzmaurice's daughter, unknown. Second row rear (standing): Loriena Price, Ray Pierce, Ruth Johnson, Ellaverne McGehee, unknown, Mike Buckley's daughter. Third row: Mary Pierce, Lucille Tudor, Garrecht's daughter, Agnes Garrecht, Marian Enderton, Elizabeth Palmer, Virginia Post, unknown. Front row: unknown, unknown, unknown, unknown, Marge Fitzmaurice, Jeff Binns, Jud McGehee.

later and sent out in a correction sheet or in the next ASSEMBLY. If you have procrastinated on any error you noted, please quit procrastinating and send me the correct poop. I would like to have had all your ZIP numbers, but my devotion to the Class wasn't strong enough to make me persist in going through that ponderous tome of numbers. Anyhow, I am not convinced that the alleged improvement in delivery compensates for the time and effort required to keep track of the numbers, write them on the mail, and scan each letter for the ZIP number so you can use it if a reply is needed. However, because I am an Organization Man, I will try to be on the alert for the damn things as they cross my path.

For one error in the list, I express profound regret. I refer to the inclusion of Don Beck's name. I sadly noted his death in previous ASSEMBLY Notes, but failed to delete his name from the copy I sent to USMA for publication. D.Q. Harris's name was also included. I did not learn of his death until after I was in Europe. Your help in keeping the roster accurate becomes more important as time marches on. Give us a hand, please. This is very important in the matter of wives' names. We are anxious to have them. With each issue we get several notes indicating that the little woman has become fed up with being left out. Why not take the heat off yourself and us by letting us have her name? When you do, be sure to write it clearly. One of our stalwarts sent in his wife's name regretfully noting that he had been remiss in forwarding it, but none of us can decipher the code in which it is written, so we are right back where we started!

Leone spent 3 weeks in the West Point hospital this summer, but came out feeling fine. He has resigned as alumni secretary at NYMA and may do some traveling in the fall. He says that several of the rooms reserved for the 68 reunion have already been taken up. Let him know just as soon as you jell your plans for that great event.

Barroll's son Kenneth entered a civil flying training program this summer, and Larry

acquired a summer home in Cotuit, Mass., not too far from another prominent family by the name of Kennedy—I think. Mail sent to the address in the roster will be forwarded to Larry whenever he is in residence at Cotuit.

Scheetz had a tough summer with off-and-on visits to hospitals, one of them after heat prostration from which he was rescued by the Philadelphia Fire Department. This did not preclude his sending in notes about classmates which have been consolidated with others elsewhere in this blurb.

Dwyer spent part of the summer in Maine. He also went to Atlantic City for the reunion of the 102d Division. Before all of that, he managed to be stung on the nose by a wasp. We should have had a picture!

Cragie sent in his check for the class fund with a cheer for 45th Reunion planning last June. In August he followed up with a card from Italy, where he and Victoria were spending about 10 days. After that, they planned a visit to England to attend the Air Show at Farnborough. They expected to be back in LA about 17 September.

Biddle is one of the most-interesting-job-getting guys I know. He left his job at Pa. Military College this summer to look for new pastures. This is the third interesting post-retirement activity for him, to my knowledge. His resumé makes impressive reading. Aside from his purely military service, which is interesting enough, his work with the U.N. in Korea and duty long before that with Gen. McCoy in the League of Nations, reveals a variety of interests and abilities.

Lucas wrote in June that he had retired from his real estate business in Bowling Green, Ohio, and was moving to his original home podunk, Charleston, S.C. He decided on Charleston after an extended visit to Florida and elsewhere. He reports seeing the Hugh Johnsons, Hortons, and Nists during the trip. He attended the Founders Day dinner at The Citadel where, like those of us at the 42½ Reunion, he had a hard time recognizing Frank Cothran behind the latter's formidable beard.

Schlatter reports that the heat wave which

seems to have covered the U.S. pretty generally and strongly during the summer, slowed down activities in the San Antonio area, at least among the characters of our vintage. I don't know whether this proves we are older or smarter! In September, Dave and Berb were off to the Air Force Academy to visit their daughter who is married to a son of Cook, '22.

Evans R.B. has also joined the long line of re-retirees. Smart guy! His program now is to play lots of golf with the first-phase objective to beat 90. Meanwhile, he plans more long motor trips. He must have gotten the President's message: see the U.S.A. As this is written, he may well be out on the West Coast. He says he has a guest room and bath that is open for any of us who get within sight or hearing of Sarasota.

O.P. Newman went to England in July to play in a senior golf tournament at Glen Eagles, and then make a golfer's tour of some of the better clubs before going on to Germany prior to returning to the U.S. We have had no report on how he made out in the tournament. Hicks reports that he is on his second family of two girls. One is starting college this year. Robinson used "Ulcer Dept" stationery to send greetings to all of you as he mailed in his check to the class fund.

Lawrence says that even though he has "transferred allegiance, in a way, to the other Academy to help it get started," he still uses the Army bank and still gets a terrific boot out of our reunions. He is piping the 45th to see if the 4th Div will still be extant and whether there will be sally ports in the new barracks. The interest and enthusiasm which Charlie puts into his attendance at reunions when I have seen him is truly inspiring. I hope he makes many more of them.

Phillips has several people checking on the status of his health. Most of you know that he has had some serious battles in hospitals in recent years. At least three reports from different sources came to me on Freddie. If ever a guy is "shining under adversity," Freddie is the one. We would do well to tell him of our admiration for his spirit. Grombach spent some time in Europe again early this summer, but by 1 September was back in U.S.A.-land, and sent warm greetings from his farm in upper New York.

Hertford hasn't lost a bit of his interest in, and ability to comment on, unusual and varied subjects. The following extracts from a letter forwarding his contribution to the class fund illustrate my point: "What with my birthday on 25 Sept 1900 (the same month and day as my daughter's in 1956), she, my daughter, says, 'it's not hard arithmetic to tell how old you are!' The Lord or my grandfather seem to have provided me with good genes—or, a modicum of tomato juice and sauerkraut juice plus a martini or 2 have kept the miseries away so far. I am not sure what this proves, but a big centipede bit me a few weeks ago when I was meditating on the outdoor john (with guests in the house) at the ranch. I caught him and put him in an old baby-food jar. Within an hour he was dead! A dram of gin and a touch of Campho Phenique fixed me up, but I sprayed the ancient john just the same.

"I am reliving my inquisitive youth with my little Anita, but am reluctant to tell her that my answers to her questions are just as equivocal and as fundamentally unsatisfactory as the ones I received. But why disillusion her when I am still trying to put 2 and 2 together?

"Old man Hertford is trying to be a pseudo-philosopher, which, as you know, is

a philosophobaster, but I suppose a life of being a sort of a George Babbitt will never let one get away from Main Street. Hence, I pretend to be pious—act as chairman of the City Planning Commission, work for the Girl Scouts, chair a board for a new girl's school, and don the cap and bells as m.c. for numerous dinners where everyone except me takes himself seriously. The funny thing is, they think I might be profound also, when all I am doing is amusing myself or regaling them on the foibles of the human race.

"If the genes and the tomato juice and the sauerkraut juice and the martinis hold out, I hope to see all you young fellows and girls in 1968 at the old college."

Meta Beckley informs us that George Grai Beckley was born in Thailand on 11 July, thus making her a grandma under the Beckley name. The middle name is Thai for "courageous."

Horton has a unique problem about addresses. He tells us that he has lived in the same house for the last 10 years and that his address has been changed three times! As of now it is: 1303 61st St., NW., Bradenton, Florida, 33505. He says he is continuing to play golf regularly and right now is swinging better than he had been for some time. He says he sees Skip Vincent and Cecil Nist from time to time.

Farrow writes that he has been trying to retire for some time but that his business—accounting and auditing—is the kind that is intensely personal and hence difficult to get untangled from. He is making plans to go to the Notre Dame game and hopes to see some of '23 there.

Marjorie Greene called the other day to say that she is now spending more time in Washington than in Florida, and so wants her address in our list changed to: 4000 Cathedral Ave., Washington, D.C., 20016.

Johnson (Wendell, that is) left for Maine right after he authored the class Notes and seems to have had a busy time fixing around their home in Camden, meeting the Wopple Whites who live nearby, and entertaining children and grandchildren as well as visiting firemen, notably the Ken Sweanys. From comments in the many letters and cards that greeted me when I got back, I find that he has done a prodigious job of letter-writing to members of the Class, and in particular to the class reps.

Torrence also headed north for the summer, though only as far as Erie, Pa. He and Dottie also entertained children and grandchildren and spent a lot of time with the Roths. Both of the latter are reported to be in good shape.

You will recall that Wendell prepared our Notes for the last ASSEMBLY because Agnes and I were on a trip to Europe. We visited Paris, Rome, Naples, Florence, and Nice before we went to Switzerland, where Agnes was born. We spent most of the time at Geneva with her relatives, but got over most of the more interesting parts of that marvelous little land. I am sad to report that when we got back we found that what we believed to be extreme fatigue which had overtaken Agnes, actually required surgery. She is just getting over the operation and is beginning further treatments. I feel that we have the best wishes of all of you who have gotten to know Agnes, and that is a real help to both of us.

West Coast Doings

In the last ASSEMBLY Wendell told you there would probably be pictures of class gatherings that took place in Harmony's precinct in California. They arrived in due course and along with them some comments

from Trooper Price which I feel I should share with you. Most of us recall that our mothers used to wash out our mouths with soap and water when we used what we later learned to call "improper expressions." Trooper once failed to skin me for using one of them when he wore the red sash of guard duty. The reasons he gave for that generous decision were not only witty but so sound that I am sure the Supreme Court would have sustained his decision had the matter ever gone that far. I regret, therefore, that I am so much of a mouse that I delete some of those expressions from the originals of the extracts that appear below.

You may recall that we reported the theft of Trooper's photographic equipment last year. It was replaced by the insurance company and certified as OK after Trooper checked it over and brought some defects to the attention of the dealer. This is what he says about the Glenn Palmers' party. "It (the camera) went to the shop and was reported to be OK as to flash sync. After Jazz Harmony had mustered the roaring, stomping, hooting '23's, and I levelled off for the first shot, I learned that some * * * had lied to me! What I believe is known as pandemonium burst loose. The ladies of '23, being ladies, did their best and remained composed, but the stinkers I must still acknowledge as classmates jeered and hooted when the strobe misfired. There was even more jeering and hooting at the second misfire. With superb aplomb, I got down from the chair on which I had stationed myself, and saying * * *, I flipped a roll into the spare Leica and whop, whop, took two shots which proved to be OK. When I pass out the pix, those * * * will wish they were dead.

"It sure as hell was a grand roast beef dinner. I 'et all but one shred of a slice the size of a blacksmith's apron. But for being a Buddhist, I would have eaten every damn sliver."

On the Fitzmaurice-Garreht dinner he writes: "Sorry to have so many gaps in the identifications, but the parcel of '23 juniors plus respective spouses, left me hopelessly confused. I am sending prints to Garreht and Fitzmaurice with a carbon of the identification sheet so that they can fill in the blanks. (As you can see they did not! Kehm)

"No doubt I could turn on the eloquence in reference to food and drink, and even wax lyrical about the fine fellowship of classmates and what lovely critters the daughters of '23 are, but I would still end up with the understatement of the week, and I'd simply be mentioning some of the finer things of life to which '23 has become accustomed.

But that isn't news. But what follows, sir, is news. The map and poopsheet our hosts provided were accurate and easy to follow. For the first time, after more than 30 years of getting lost and wandering for days until friendly natives gave me food and drink and guided me back to the highway, I located, effortlessly and correctly and without a fumble, an address in Los Altos! Oh, * * * yes, if you must be hairsplitting, Lorigena did call the turns. In other days with other maps and other wives, Los(t) Altos pilgrimages were always disasters. I still think the Fitzmaurice-Garreht map got us there.

"Anyway, here is the picture. See if you can get the story from someone else. All I can remember is: (a) I had some good chow, (b) some drinks, (c) took a picture, (d) found my way home—and without a map!"

We need more photographers like Trooper.

Be Thou at Peace

Earlier in this column I referred to the death of D.Q. Harris. As of now, I have no further details.

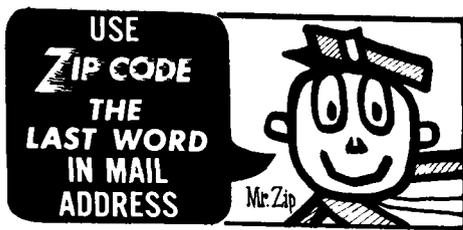
Just before I left for Europe, we heard rumors that Porch had left this area, but we had nothing firm as to a change of address. Accordingly, it was a distinct shock to hear of his death in San Antonio on 7 September. None of the classmates there knew of his presence in the area. Schlatter, by the merest of chance, happened to see a notice in the paper. He and others in San Antonio paid the respects of our Class to Paul.

The Class Fund

Response to the suggestion that new blood in the form of dollars be pumped into the dwindling fund has been good. Jim Torrence reports that as of 12 September there were some 95 contributions totalling just short of \$1,100. The notes accompanying many of these contributions have been most helpful. They provide information on address changes and other subjects. The expressions of confidence in what the Washington group is doing for the Class have been most encouraging. Each of us who is doing something along this line feels it a privilege to be of some use to the Academy, which has given us all so much, and to the Class which we all get to appreciate more and more. Nevertheless, it gives each of us a lift to hear a friendly word about what is being done. One of the most encouraging signs is the interest and even financial support that has come from our widows. We have repeatedly said that the Class is honored when they participate in class activities. We note that several regional groups seem to have this



1923: The Glenn Palmer dinner at the Fort Mason Officers Club. Back row (left to right): White J.H., Genevieve Gjelsteen, Einar Gjelsteen, Herb Enderton, Ray Pierce, Marcus '22, Mary White, Jeff Binns, Art Garreht, Mike Buckley, Jim Fitzmaurice, Louis Rutte. Middle row: Red Palmer, Elizabeth Gjelsteen, Elinor Buckley, Ruth Johnston (Mrs. F.R.), Andrew Gjelsteen, Elizabeth Palmer, Lorigena Price, Mary Pierce, Lucille Rutte, Marian Enderton. Front row: Jazz Harmony, Connie Marcus (Mrs. Marris H.), Marian Harmony, Virginia Post, Marge Fitzmaurice, Jess Binns, Agnes Garreht, Lucille Tudor.



well in hand, and we believe that others will find occasion to do the same.

Our current address lists show 223 names including grads (14 June 1922 and 12 June 1923) and non-grads. The committee feels we should ultimately have a higher percentage of contributors than is represented by the 95 that Jim has heard from so far. The Bulletin carrying the appeal was sent out for us by the Association of Graduates. We have full faith and confidence in the Association, but there may have been some omissions, and there are some address errors. If you did not get the word, or if you hear of anyone who did not, please let us know. Send your contribution to the class fund to Jim Torrence. Here's hoping that "All men who have not done so, will do so immediately."

It's not too early to start thinking: BEAT NAVY.

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It is with great regret that we announce the deaths of Reginald L. Dean, Bjarne Furuholmen, Dennis M. Moore, and Edward A. Robins. Reggie had not been in good health, and he died of cancer on 8 August 1966. He was buried at West Point. Bjarne died of a heart attack on 26 August at his home in Florida and was buried in Arlington. Dinty also died of a heart attack on 17 August at his home in Columbus, Georgia, and was buried at Fort Benning. Early last month I had a note from Mrs. Robins informing me that Ed had died on 7 January 1965.

The Alamo Chapter of the Thundering Herd was in good form when it turned out for a patio party on 23 June at the attractive home of Winnie Ramsey (Mrs. John W. Jr.). The lights were bright, the decorations gay, and a fried chicken supper was garnished with liquid refreshments. Out of the 75 guests, a surprising number executed a brilliant watusi, danced to the hep and swinging tunes of an electric organ. Arrangements for the occasion were made by Joe and Nugie Massaro.

Among the out-of-towners present were Zero and Betty Wilson from Houston, Ralph and Alice Koch who reside at nearby New Braunfels, and Harry and Jenny Bertsch.

It seems that most members of the Class are either traveling or have just returned from a trip. The Brinsons, Stokeses, and Deweys are back from Europe. The Bob Ellsworths are home after a trip around the world. The Schaeffers leave in September for a Mediterranean cruise. Tally and George Millener should be in Hawaii by this time visiting their daughter Barbara. Monro and Betty MacCloskey left in September for a trip to Europe; included will be a trip to Brindisi and Pisa. Monro operated out of these 2 cities during the war in support of Partisans behind the lines. The Clarence W. Bennetts were in England this summer visiting their daughter. John Archer and Helen

Stewart were in Hawaii in July and will be in Puerto Rico in October.

Larry Adams re-retired from the Texas Highway Department and went back to work the next day at $\frac{2}{3}$ time and $\frac{2}{3}$ pay.

Monk Mitchell wrote that he would like to attend the annual party but is too busy making arrangements for the marriage of his youngest daughter Jane. He and Sue will have all the family on hand except the twin granddaughters who were left at home. Tad and Margaret Tasker have just returned from a vacation in Colorado, where they visited the Shumates, Caywoods, and the Partridges. Rupe Graves is still teaching math at Indian River Junior College despite a second cataract operation.

The F.J. Thompsons have been spending the summer in Hollywood, New Mexico, where he has been racing his 4-year-old filly, Bookcase, with some degree of success. Ken Strother is in Vietnam for 6 months for RAND Corporation. He had to leave Melba in Bangkok; however, it is only 90 minutes by air from Saigon. Duke and Lib Arnold's son Joseph, Class of 1964, is currently in Vietnam, as is their son-in-law, Lt. Col. Dallman, who expects to return to the U.S. in November.

Corinne Outcalt moved from Orlando, Florida, to Carmel, California, in May. Her daughter and son-in-law are at West Point where Charles is a Tac. He has just returned from Vietnam where he was awarded the Silver and Bronze Stars and the Vietnam Medal of Honor. Ed and Virginia Hart had a full house and a busy week in August. The twins arrived with husbands, five grandchildren, and two french poodle puppies.

Mr. Adrian Hoek who rescued Mair Stevenson's father, Mr. J.F. Hughes, from a burning building last winter has received the Carnegie Hero Bronze Medal and a cash award for his actions. Mr. Hughes is the grandfather of Mr. Hoek's daughter-in-law.

At the class luncheon in August we had 2 out-of-towners, Doc Coates from nearby University of Maryland and George Lightcap from Sun City, Arizona. Also as guests were 3 sons of classmates and one son-in-law. Don Baughman, Class of 1957, is now with IBM; Skip Forman, Class of 1954, has just received his master's degree from the University of Oklahoma; Bert Stubblebine, Class of 1952, is currently assigned to the Pentagon. Cecil Adams, Citadel Class of 1952, is Ed and Virginia Hart's son-in-law and is a student at the Armed Forces Staff College. Skip Forman is also a son-in-law of the Harts!

Hardy Dillard probably holds the all-time record as a guest lecturer at the Armed Forces Staff College. He has missed only a few classes since the college was established in 1946. George and Susie Smythe have become grandparents for the 7th time with the arrival of Christopher Coley Smythe.

John and Mae Hincke's son, John Jr., returned from Vietnam in July and is now a student at Leavenworth. Their daughter and her husband, Maj. H.E. Hellmuth, have just returned from duty in Germany with the 4th Armored Division.

Marcus Stokes sent in a report of their two and a half months' travels in Europe. On returning to the U.S., they drove to Boston for a visit with Charlie and Julia Summerall. Marcus mentioned that in addition to Ed White's son (who made the walk in space), two other classmates' sons are helping to put the astronauts up in space and bring them down. David Massaro has an important post with NASA in Houston, and Jerry de la Rosa is one of the key engineers at Cape Kennedy.

V.C. Stevens has re-retired; this time as a chemistry prof. Harry Davis will miss the

annual party this year as he has a prior commitment to enter the hospital for minor surgery. Em Itchner, at the request of the President, took time off from his job as vice-president of Portland General Electric Company to serve on a small committee to investigate the U.S. AID program in Vietnam. Peyton McLamb hasn't found retirement too bad—so far. Travel, church work, and baby-sitting have kept him fairly busy!

Kess Kessinger retires from the Parker Pen Company the end of this year. He is considering San Antonio as his retirement home. Earl Mattice and Tom Forman are in Walter Reed for some maintenance work.

Les and Peggy Skinner's son, just made a Lt. Col., is back from Vietnam and stationed at Belvoir with the Combat Development Command. Their daughter and her husband live in Silver Spring. Emmer and Louise Cummings stopped to see the Skinners on their way back to Florida.

Pete Shunk writes that he is gainfully employed again with the same company Bill O'Connor works for. The El Paso Herd had a gathering in the spring. At a dinner given by Bob and Madeline Miller were the Lenzers from Tucson and the Shumates from Boulder. Local guests included: the Adamases, McGraws, Merckles, Thompsons, Hutchinsons, and Dugans. The next night the Shunks had the group for dinner and dancing.

George Finnegan is still specializing in patent law and litigation with offices in New York. However, he does get out to the West Coast now and then and at least gets a peek at his new home in San Mateo designed by Don Rule. George had some vague ideas of retiring there but now may be the last member of the Herd to re-retire.

'25

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Several delightful responses to our SOS for news inspire this summer effort.

From the University of S.C. our "Gravy" (Kryl Leighton-Faxford de Gravelines) recaps 20 years of teaching foreign languages—seven in all, including Latin. The university expansion includes a 500-room hotel acquired for dormitory space. He also does a great deal of translating from a wide variety of sources, including the governor's office.

Wiley Moore, who showed here one day before Colby Myers left for California, finally settled, temporarily, in an apartment in nearby Maryland. They are still searching for the perfect home, but meanwhile they're planning a grand tour of central Europe in September and October.

Freddy Bartz sees few classmates around Santa Monica but reports contact with John Davis; says that John runs four miles every morning before breakfast, rising about 4 or 5 o'clock! John is with Civil Defense in LA and possibly plans to outdo Paul Revere on foot in case of a bombing. The Bartzes joined the Sandy Goodmans ('24) for a tour of Universal Studios. Anita and Freddy enjoyed a 7,500-mile motor trip around the States (New York, New Orleans, etc., etc.) last fall after his second retirement.

Margaret and Ax Devereaux are still happy in Columbus, Ohio, where they see the Dawsons occasionally. Ax has been in the Department of Engineering Drawing at Ohio State (Asst Prof) since '56. They visited Florida this summer but do most of their vacationing in the Rockies and in Canada.

Anne and Pickles Martin have achieved

the ultimate in a quiet sector with beautiful scenery—the Ozarks. For 9 years they have enjoyed fine health in their home overlooking Lake Norford. In addition to golfing, trout fishing, and civic activities, they travel during the winters, i.e., 3 trips to Mexico, 3 to California, 1 to Georgia, and 1 to the Gulf Coast. Between times they have four children to visit and fourteen (yes, 14) grandchildren.

Isabel and Axel Dobak are at home this summer but reported daughter Anne visiting their daughter-in-law, Susan, in San Luis Obispo. Their son John is a captain in the Marines in VN. They enjoyed a visit by Odette and Bill Burbank.

Jean and Hal Miller are still in Fayetteville, Arkansas. We are sorry to report that Hal has been ill and hospitalized for the past 3 years.

Through the post office officials we find Dorothy (Mrs. Lebbeus) Woods still in Indianapolis but now at 3360 Meridian Street, #G-3.

Aggie and Porter Kidwell are now located in San Mateo, Calif., after their visit in the DC area, followed by an enjoyable trip via Benning, Memphis, Kansas City, Omaha, Oklahoma City, Denver, Salt Lake City, Reno, etc. Porter is now in business with an in-law and says he has a good thing going for him.

Aileen and Hal Gould love the country around Fort Davis, Texas, and built their home on a mountain overlooking their 76-acre ranch. Their peaceful routine was unhappily interrupted in the summer of 65 when Aileen suffered a stroke. She failed to recover satisfactorily after two separate hospitalizations and is now home where a sister (from Baltimore) and Hal are giving her care. Glad to be able to report improvement.

Betty and Ralph Tibbetts are happy to report that their son-in-law, Colonel John Hill Jr., is back from VN. Their daughter Leslie met John in Tokyo, and the couple enjoyed a trip to Hong Kong, Bangkok, Delhi, etc., etc., thence to Madrid and then home. Both sides of both families were planning joint vacations at Hilton Head Island in September.

Martha and Joe Daugherty are battling the state highway which threatens to cut their Indiana farm in two. They had plans for visiting the D.C. area this summer but haven't been able to make it yet. Daughter Julia is radio and TV editor for the Indianapolis Star.

Evelyn and Ralph Sears visited Fort Sill for the spring Horse (yes, horse) Show. It seems that many mounts are privately maintained and are greatly enjoyed by the teenagers. While there, visiting daughter and family, they also enjoyed a dinner with Elizabeth and Jack Bird.

Red Reeder says they spent most of the summer at a beautiful inn on the Massachusetts coast, where the peace and quiet were occasionally interrupted at night by the nearby lighthouse fog horn! He included some news of Eddie Doyle's two sons which we expect to follow up.

Versa and Swede Underwood are quite definite about retiring next spring at Hampton, Va. They expect to dock their boat in a canal right at their back door. We see Antoinette and Lucien Bolduc frequently, but we still await Looshe's account of their luxury cruise to the Orient.

Elizabeth and Hubert Cole had a 35-day tour of Europe which they thoroughly enjoyed despite a most unfortunate accident. Liz had the misfortune of falling and breaking a kneecap while visiting a friend in Rome. Prompt hospitalization and a cast enabled

them to continue their tour with only a short delay. They loved everything and especially enjoyed seeing Johnnie Haskell in Paris.

Martha and Ed McLaughlin were due up from Anniston, Ala., for a week in D.C. from 3 to 10 Sept. As a judge in the juvenile court, Ed doesn't get away from the Alabama area very much.

Florence and Joe Cleland are back from their 13,000-mile VW trip completely around the Mediterranean: Egypt, Europe, etc., etc., but they went straight from New York to Lone Pine Farm to meet guests.

Marion and Bill Gillmore had a great month in Alaska, and we're expecting an account of successful fishing and (possibly) "interviews" with Kodiak bears.

Peg and Dave Bradford drove out to Long Beach to pick up their son Bill who is back from the Far East. At San Diego they visited our Sallie (Sharon) Parker and welcomed the chance to recall cadet days while viewing the charming establishment Sallie and Charlie have developed right on the edge of Coronado Island. Dave also reported seeing Lucy and Jack Horner in Austin; he and Peg were looking forward to having Grace Larter and son as evening guests the day of his writing.

Art Ruppert finally discovered that he and Russ Randall have the same barber in LA! That reminds us that we had a similar experience with Ernie Holmes right here in the Pentagon where we used to pass news back and forth through the tonsorial artist.

Red Newman still writes for *Army* magazine (he has written some 75 to 80 articles) and is also working on a 160,000-word book (has it down to 60,000 now). He attends all reunions of the 24th Inf Div and enjoys them. He hears from Lew Riggins and said that one of his neighbors traveling in the Far East met Joe Cleland (last year) on the street in Manila. Another neighbor met Joe this summer aboard ship returning from Europe.

Nick Robinson was reported to be motoring along the east coast, i.e., Maine, D.C., and then planned to head for Michigan on a side trip.

Raye and Art Bliss are enjoying a visit from their son Lawrence who is en route to Korea. We always look forward to hearing from Art, since we were fascinated by those innertubes he had installed in lieu of v-veins at Walter Reed a long time ago.

Mike Giddens retired from his college teaching on his 65th birthday and is now out on a sporty golf course 'most every day. He is also making a show spot of their garden. The climate in Trinidad has been wonderful for them; positively sinus-free for Rosaline during the eleven years they've lived there. With thirteen grandchildren they have ample family interests.

Ruth and Earle Barnes saw the Dobaks, Grayebs, and Chas. Caldwell on a motor trip to Florida. Chas. C., they say, has reduced to a very slender silhouette, which might be a good example for many of us gourmets to follow.

Hack Cleaves encountered Kay and Don Burns in a fashionable New England eatery in late July. The Burnses were headed for fishing in Nova Scotia via a Canadian ferry.

Bill Kerns sent his new address from Weisbaden. He says he plans to retire from Civil Service (after 33 years) and go to Florida to live. He was expecting a visit from Bud Hankins who now works for Goliers out of Stuttgart.

Dave Tulley sent a long, fascinating account of family and life at the famed Aspen resort. Dave plans a visit here and challenges

both Barney Barnett and Bill Nutter to golf (backed by coin of the realm). He said that Gus West is living nearby in Georgetown, Colo. He says his brother, Tom, whom we always enjoyed on the TV show "Line Up," will be on a new production, "Shane," this fall. Their son Bill joined them (with family) for a two-weeks' visit—lots of golf and trout fishing. He adds that nature's air conditioning in their lush climate needs no encouragement from a post engineer!

Letters are arriving almost daily. Please keep them coming for the winter issue of class Notes (direct mailing).

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It is with a heavy heart that the Class bids farewell to our beloved Bill Baker. He died in Walter Reed Hospital on the 5th of October, just after the Class had celebrated its 40th Reunion at West Point. Although Bill had been under treatment for cancer for several months, he had planned on being with us for the Homecoming ceremonies. However, on the 18th of September he wrote, "I am having a little session with the medics, so will be unable to attend the reunion. This I regret, for I had been looking forward to it for a long time; but so it goes. My best to all the gang." Bill was given a soldier's resting place in Arlington on the 10th of October. The sympathy of the Class is extended to his wife Neil, and to their son who proudly bears the name, William Clyde Baker III.

We regret to report the death on 3 July of John Bridgman, who was with us in A Company until yearling year. After leaving the Academy, John attended Columbia and Johns Hopkins Universities, and for many years was with the federal government. He lived in Alexandria, Va., and was buried in Arlington Cemetery.

In order to maintain a closer organization, several classmates have kindly "volunteered" to act as regional scribes, and we hope all of you will keep them informed of your activities. They are: (New England Area) H.P. Storke, 1 Drury Lane, Worcester, Mass.; (New York City Area) M.J. McKinney, Balmville Road, M.D. 16, Newburgh, N.Y.; (N.J.-Pa. Area) F.L. Ankenbrandt, 1858 Mallard Lane, Villanova, Pa.; (West Coast Area) E.J. Murphy, 36 Corte Morada, Greenbrae, Calif.; (Texas-SW Area) R.M. Osborne, 1012 Cantebury Hill, San Antonio, Tex.; (Florida-SE Area) M.M. Condon, 160 Willadel Drive, Clearwater, Fla.; and (D.C. Area) J.C. Strickler, 1679 35th St., Washington, D.C.

Johnny Roosma attended Alumni Day and was joined by Roy Herte, Marve McKinney, and Jim Wheaton. Red Reeder was busy supervising the baseball victory at Annapolis, repeating what he did 40 years ago. The Roosmas had to cancel their trip to the West Coast since their Army sons are going "you know where."

Bill Bayer writes from Rochester that he is helping General Dynamics resist the regular congressional onslaughts (if anybody can, Bill can), and that Hazel and he are still playing tennis, and in addition have taken up golf and ice skating. (At our age this represents the height of courage, determination, and stamina!)

In the last issue we reported on George and Peg Hickman, and now we have more news. The Hickmans have announced the engagement of their daughter Margaret Anne to Richard Stanley Wirtz, son of the Secre-

tary of Labor. Margaret Anne is a graduate of Stone Ridge Convent, Manhattanville College, and received her M.A. from Northwestern University. An autumn wedding is planned.

Spud Murphy writes as follows: This will be the first set of consolidated class notes from the West Coast region. By the time they are published our 40th Reunion will be over. Highlights of it will appear in a later issue of ASSEMBLY. For now, suffice it to say that Alec Sewall, Bob Nourse, and I got in touch with every member or ex-member of the Class in the West Coast region. Of the 24 canvassed, 11 plan to attend, 11 can't make it for one reason or another, and 2 failed to reply. We are also trying to locate Oscar Levin's widow, so far without result, but Bill Mills up Walla Walla way is still working on it.

News of the San Francisco Bay Area group: Marge and Brook Brady, assisted in part by Elizabeth and Harry Grizzard, have returned to Sausalito after an extended ocean cruise on their 33-foot sloop, the *Alanya*. Brook and 3 young Bay-racing friends, all making their first sea voyage under sail, handled the yacht on the first leg to Santa Barbara. At this port Marge took over as crew for the leisurely trip along the coast to San Diego and return to Santa Barbara through the Channel Islands.

Elizabeth and Harry met the *Alanya* at Santa Monica (Marina Del Rey). Harry and Brook sailed around Point Fermin to Long Beach, the ladies following their progress by car. While having lunch at Marineland, they enjoyed watching their unsuspecting husbands through a telescope while the retired officers shouted advice to each other during the suppression of a cantankerous genoa jib. It was a great sail, and Harry, now back in Claremont, is being lionized by his Navy pals as a seafaring celebrity.

Two young men, one of them David Kirchoff, took over from Marge for the heavy weather from Santa Barbara to San Francisco, which involves rounding Point Conception. Please refer to Dana's *Two Years Before the Mast*: "Point Conception, Cape Horn of the California coast..." Adverse current, heavy head winds, and a violent sea met the *Alanya*, and under double reefing and full-throttle engine, progress, for many hours, was less than one knot. When the jib carried away, the course was reversed, and the *Alanya* ran before the storm.

An invigorating experience according to Brook, who says he is accustomed to being "turned out" but a bit miffed at being "turned back."

I talked to Hal Brusher on the phone. He reports that he's doing pretty well but that the doctor takes a dim view of his partying, so he is unable to take part in our local class parties. Despite this, he says he would have gone to the 40th Reunion if a group of unromantic classmates hadn't changed the time from June to October.

Louise and Bill Hawthorne have at last achieved the status of grandparents and are on Cloud Nine. Their daughter Helen and her husband Louis Overton have a new son, Thomas William. Louis is a chemist and works for the Stauffer Chemical Co. in Rye, N.Y., where they also live. The Hawthornes' son Bill Jr., graduated from Stanford in the class of '62 and then spent 2 years with the Peace Corps in Peru. His work as a medical assistant sparked an interest in medicine, and when he returned from South America he took a pre-med course at UC at Berkeley, and then entered the Stanford Medical School. He finished his first year in June '66, and as Bill Senior says, all he has left

now is three more years, plus internship, plus residency.

Angela and Roy Kaylor took time off during the summer to tour the Far East by air for a month. Roy is a math teacher down on the peninsula.

Aline and Art Kirchoff are very smug in their newly rebuilt house, a real beauty described in the last ASSEMBLY. Art is progressing well with his speech therapy class at Letterman General Hospital where, for a time, he had Joan Nourse as an instructor. Speaking of Joan, in the last ASSEMBLY I mentioned her receiving her M.A. in speech pathology. In May she received an invitation for an interview with the Croched Mountain Rehabilitation Foundation Center at Greenfield, N.H. Traveling alone by air, she made the trip east, was interviewed and then selected for the position of speech therapist. She will have complete responsibility for the speech therapy program for the children at the Center. She reported for duty at her new job on 1 Oct.

Ruth and Alec Sewall have the best intra-family communication system I've heard of recently. Lila Jane and the two children, Virginia, 9, and Bobby, 7, live in Schofield Barracks where an area has been set aside as a "Squaw Camp" for ladies of the 25th Division which is in Vietnam. Lila Jane's husband, Maj. Michael C. Cornwell, is with the Divarty Hq. Ruth and Alec, of course, live in San Francisco. Each family unit has a tape recorder, and the tapes are circulated around the triangle. Alec played one of them for us, and they sure beat letters.

As for Gen and me, our son Jerry wears two hats: as City Engineer and City Planner for Cleveland Heights, Ohio. He and Shirley have four children, Michael, 13, Tim, 11, Betsy, 6, and Cynthia, 3. We spent a week with them en route to the reunion. Our daughter Ann married Lt. Richard S. Simmons, and spent 4 years in the Navy. When Dick left the Navy he studied law at Hastings Law School in San Francisco. They now live in Sacramento where Dick is in private practice. They have three children, Geoffrey, 5, Matthew, 3, and Margaret, 10 months. We like having them so near. Grandchildren are good for what ails you!

Ken McNaughton assembled the news from the Monterey area from the 3 Pauls. Paul Black insisted that he had no news worth recording. After 7 years with the American University in Washington, D.C., following retirement, he and Margaret settled down at the Hacienda Carmel in beautiful Carmel Valley where Margaret is thriving in the wonderful climate.

Paul Carroll retired in 1954 and then spent a couple of years in Spain acquiring an M.A. in languages. He intended to teach but upon further investigation gave up the idea. He says he likes his retirement too much. He and Hazel have been in the Monterey area for 10 years. Paul has built a couple of houses there, plays a lot of tennis, hikes and fishes in the nearby mountains, and looks after a few investments. In the summer, two grandsons come out (from Texas, I think) for 5 or 6 weeks to help step up the tempo of living.

Paul Hamilton reports that he and Eleanor, married 35 years, live in Carmel Meadows where the Santa Lucia Mountains and the Pacific Ocean meet. Their activities include teaching school, painting, going to church, serving on juries and architectural control boards, growing fuchsias, and walking on the beach. Daughter Anne is married to John W. Hudacheck, USMA '54. Jack has just returned from Vietnam and is going to

Leavenworth to school. During Jack's absence in Vietnam, Eleanor and Paul have enjoyed having their grandchildren nearby—Mary, Michael, Teresa, and Susan. Daughter Pauline is married to James W. Burn, an electrical engineer with Lockheed of Palo Alto and M.I.T. They have two children, Pamela and James.

Beth and Ken McNaughton's son Grant, now 34, is a flight surgeon in the USAF. He and his wife Jean are stationed at Eglin AFB with their two sons, Kenneth and Timothy. Daughter Perry Ann Jamieson, with husband and two small sons, Jeffrey and Dalton, lives at Claremont, where Jamieson is a professor and currently assistant to the president of Pitzer College. Ken does a bit of hunting. He got a buck at Hunter Liggett recently, and then took off for Klamath for some steelhead and salmon fishing. Ken is practically retired now, although he still runs a few errands for the Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp. and is a director of the Wackenhut Corp. Mostly, however, he says he just plays golf while Beth paints.

Southern California

Van Syckle was to have been the collector of news from this area, but he writes that he is about to retire again, this time from Aerojet, and intends to get "completely mobile" and do some traveling about the world with special attention to three grandchildren in Connecticut. He says I'll need a new "pigeon" to collect news. Don Booth from Santa Barbara says he has nothing to report that hasn't already been reported. Avery Cray writes that he has just returned from an extended trip in South America and wasn't able in good conscience to take further time off to attend our reunion, much as he would have liked to. Harry Grizzard didn't answer our request for news, but it is known that he and Elizabeth live in Claremont and that Grizzly teaches math and physics there and apparently knows how to sail (see Brook Brady's remarks above).

Harry Johnson writes from Van Nuys, California, where he and Polly live. Johnnie is senior Army military advisor with Lockheed Aircraft Corp. His Air Force and Navy counterparts are Pat Partridge USMA '24, and Savvy Sides USNA '25. Johnnie was supposed to have re-retired last January, but is still on duty on a part-time basis pending the arrival of a replacement. Polly and Johnny would seem to have some kind of a class record with four children and twelve grandchildren. The oldest child, Pauline, and her two children are with the Johnsons at present. The second daughter, Helen, commonly known as Patty, is married to Lt. Col. James Dixon USMA '45. They and their five children are stationed in Washington, D.C. Harry Junior, USMA '56, and wife Ellen (daughter of Andy O'Meara, USMA '30) and their four children are stationed at West Point. Daughter Nancy is married to Dr. Merrill Hume. They have one son. The family has moved recently to Cleveland, Ohio, where Dr. Hume will teach at Western Reserve U. If the replacement ever arrives, it is Johnnie's plan to move farther north, perhaps to the Monterey area or even to that even lovelier haven, Marin County!

Pete Pringle regrets his inability to attend the reunion, as he will be conducting his twin 17-year-old daughters on a year-long tour of Europe, with special emphasis on the Mediterranean. They left in mid-September. Wally Barnes hasn't answered any of our queries but is alleged to be living at Cardiff-by-the-Sea, Calif., which is about an inch north of San Diego on my map.

Oregon and Washington

I reported in the last ASSEMBLY that Charlotte and Norman Matthias had just moved to Portland. Eddie Watson helped them buy their new house at 5619 SW. Menefee, Portland, and says he doesn't know who worked the hardest, Charlotte, Norm, or Eddie. Norm's new job is with the Western States' Water Council. The Watsons' daughter Happy is married to a Navy file who graduated in August from the Navy Management School at Monterey and has been ordered to Anaheim (but not Azusa and Cucamonga). What spare time Teddy and Eddie have will be spent visiting Happy and family in their new location. Hence, they weren't able to attend the reunion. Rosie and Bill Mills happily revised their plans and were able to attend the reunion. Bill is airport manager for the Walla Walla Airport. Their oldest daughter, widow of Maj. Walker, CE, lives now in Walla Walla with her five children. Bill says they live things up no end. As mentioned above, Bill is still working on the problem of finding the whereabouts of Oscar Levin's widow.

Ralph Osborne reports from San Antonio that Jimmy and Nell Burwell were busy hosting their daughter-in-law and two grandchildren while their son was in Vietnam. Capt. Burwell is now back and stationed at Fort Rucker, so Jimmy can take up his hunting and fishing again. Bill Dean is showing Arabian horses and has gained 10 prizes at the Houston horse show. The Dean sons, Bill III and Bob, are a senior and junior respectively at Texas Military Institute. Bill says the school achieved fame as the alma mater of General MacArthur, but that Dan Blocker (Hoss Cartwright of "Bonanza") also graduated from there and is much better known to their sons. Ralph also reports that Stag Stagliano is busy competing with neighbors in landscape gardening and fancy yards.

Johnny (AH) Johnson and Muffet report that they are enjoying life in Harlingen, Texas, where they moved some 4 years ago. They have some cattle, Johnny has his civic duties and he manages to keep in shape with yard work, hunting, and golf. Anyone heading for Mexico is invited to drop by.

The Munsons recently drove to Spartanburg to enter daughter Sheila (age 17) in Converse College. On the way back we stopped overnight with Louise and Mal Kammerer at their home in Tryon. They have a very fine location with front and back views of scenic mountains. Mal is casually involved with real estate and insurance, but this does not keep him off the local golf course, and his average remains in the low eighties.

Frank and Mary Louise Purcell left Maryland in June to spend the summer months in their home in Bayville, Maine.

Bill and Wilma Laidlaw came up from Florida in June to visit their daughter and son-in-law at Fort Belvoir. Bill hosted a lunch at Fort McNair and 12 of the Class were happy to attend. As we reported before, Ken McNaughton did this in May, and we cordially invite others to do the same. We will be happy to reserve proper accommodations at the Washington Hilton.

Al and Lou Heidner visited in New Jersey to help Wave and Skinny Ringler celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on 12 June 1966. Present at this event were Chin and Emmy Sloane, Marion Moore (ex-'26), Betty James (widow of Jimmy), and Bill and Ann Prigge (Lou's brother). Bill Ringler and his wife Nancy spent part of their August leave from Carswell AFB with Wave and Skinny. Bill is a captain in the Air Force and pilot of a B-52 back in the States after his stint from Guam to Vietnam.

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Illuminating this column is the belated photograph of Fox Conner as our stalwart representative presenting the 1927 Class Watch at the June Week Awards Convocation to Cadet Captain Samuel F. Champi, Commanding the 3d Regiment, USCC. Fox wrote, "I was very impressed with Cadet Champi. It is not often that people wear stars and are also football stars. His tactical officer said that Champi had worked very



1927: Fox Conner presents the Class of '27 award to Cadet Captain Samuel F. Champi at June Week ceremonies.

hard for this award. He is going to attend graduate school at Princeton, and has taken the Engineers as his branch." It would appear that the Class Watch is being worn by one who can bring nothing but distinction to it.

Fox went on to report that his family, Muriel and daughter and son-in-law, "were amazed at the construction projects going on at West Point. It was the first time I had been in Thayer Hall since graduation, although, of course, I have been on the post a good many times." Thanks go to Fox for thus standing in for the Class.

After pondering his safari of 1964, Tony Luebberrmann has submitted a brief summary thereof, and just in time for this issue—by a day! Readers will recall that the Luebberrmanns, of Sarasota, Fla., spent some "30 wonderful days" in Africa and had a "tremendous experience." On his 60th birthday, Tony reports, they arrived in Uganda, and immediately started out with a Land Rover and a large, four-wheeled-drive truck filled with "supplies and natives." "We completely circled Uganda, hunting from various camps, and in addition, visited Murchison Falls Park (headwaters of the Nile). I got quite a few trophies, including a Cape Buffalo and an elephant. Unfortunately the season was closed on lion, and although I



1927: Some of Luebberrmann's safari trophies—gazelles and, left center, the elephant's ear.

spent 35 hours in various blinds I never saw a leopard. Our last day was spent fishing on Lake Albert, where we caught a boatload of perch, the largest being 45 pounds. I found a duck-walking stalk of ¼ mile or more at 6,500 feet elevation somewhat fatiguing—not to say exhausting—in fact, it nearly killed me!" The front porches in Sarasota and the summer cabin in Michigan have some of the attractive trophies exhibited, ranging in size from "the tiny dik-dik, less than a foot high, to a 5-ton elephant" whose ear and tusks are concrete reminders of the safari. Perhaps the accompanying photo of some trophies exhibited by a local bank will give some idea of Luebberrmann marksmanship. Tony may try it again, too, "if the old bones hold together a little longer."

More currently Tony and Bee had just come back from their summer stay on Lake Superior in the upper peninsula of Michigan. With their return came the tasks of settling and getting "Tony Jr., ready for Columbia and Mimi for Goucher." But even so, thoughts of that Big Hunt must come to mind!

Gar Davidson forwarded a fine letter from Oakland. He was particularly nicely informative on his departure from the University of California, Berkeley, an association which had commenced with his retirement. As he soberly stated: "Some months ago I came to the conclusion that the policies of the administration of the University of California are so contrary to those principles we in the military service honor and believe in, that I could no longer remain a part of the administration and still retain my self respect. Therefore, I resigned.

"It is a shame to see the reputation of a truly great institution needlessly besmirched by an organized and vociferous but relatively miniscule portion of the student body and faculty. Unfortunately discipline was not among my responsibilities. In my opinion a good lieutenant could have handled the situation in the first hour." No editorial comment seems apt, unless it be that things have indeed come to a pretty pass when one with the background of Gar is constrained to such a painful resignation.

Gar went on to more cheerful things, recounting a "nostalgic trip to Hawaii to revisit the scene of our crimes in the piping times." He and Verone saw the Hutchisons, Esther and Hutch, at their pleasant home, and Gar even saw "Baldy's downtown office" where he "found a little dust on mantle at A.M.I." He states that the Hutchisons look great and younger than ever. Gar also reported having dinner with Bill Browning, ex-'27, and wife Jean. Bill was described for us as the "rotund transportation tycoon of Honolulu."

Henry G. Douglas, Sausalito, Calif., sent in a long anticipated letter. Doug's "most important item" was the arrival of a new granddaughter, child of son Gordon and his wife Audry. "This is our sixth grandchild and second granddaughter. Our daughter Jeanie is married to a TWA captain and has four boys, stair-stepped from 9 to 2." They reported a leisurely July trip on the *Skunk*, "one of the last steam trains in the U.S., which Ruth and Chubby Roth took last year and had reported as too much for two days." They stopped at Napa to see the Carlocks, but missed them. They see the Berrigans, Roths, Peirces, Davidsons, etc., "fairly often." Holiday and birthday telephone calls from Scoon Gardner are "occasional." Doug has joined the local chapter of the Retired Officers Association and noted the large '27 representation in the San Francisco West Point Chapter.

Bob Aloe reported on up-to-date doings

of the family; both he and Natalie are still getting "a big kick out of our Airstream (you know, the giant, trailer-type living accommodation). We went down the west coast of Mexico and returned the short way via the Florida Keys. Had a grand trip—enjoyed every minute of it. Tried to see Art and Mary Solem in El Paso, but did not make it." He reported that Kathy Land is busy and remaining in her present house for the immediate future.

Jean and Willis Matthews of the District of Columbia reported that daughter Nancy, husband Jack, and three children, had come to spend a pleasant summer week, seeing friends galore from days in Munich and elsewhere. Incident to the visit was a week when our Jean and Willis were in full charge of the three young ones, an experience bound to make its impression. As Jean said, "After all, you can see most of a zoo in a week, so we took off for Red Bank, N.J., with the kids to rejoin the mother and father, then off to delightful Cape Cod, back to New York, our old home, and then to Washington to rest." Looks as though the Matthews got around, thus avoiding much of the record-breaking and really *breaking*—heat in the Washington area this summer.

And, as a last travel item for this issue, the A.M. Millers of Chevy Chase principally covered New Jersey this summer, but reported favorably on the renovation of the Thayer: "attractive and comfortable, apparently air-conditioning throughout, good food and service." On the return they stopped for 2 nights in Pennsylvania Dutch country around Lancaster, visited friends, and "had a good look at the Amish farm country." Thus they returned to Mac's math instructing, Jean's golf, and son Rusty's high school grind.

Well, this wraps it up! Reports of summer doings will probably come in with the next mail, but too late for this issue. So wherever you are, please start mailing in those after-action reports. By the time that you read this, let us hope that we have indeed Beaten Navy! And, as a final admonition, get going on those plans for the 40th Reunion!

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The 40th Reunion Fund has now reached \$1,770 with forty-four members contributing.

When the Class of 1970 entered 1,019 strong, it numbered among its members a class son, Patrick, son of Walter Donald. This was the first son since the Class of 1964 and was the fifty-first in all. Not many more in sight.

Forrest Allen reported on the fabulous visit he and Pattie had to Japan during the summer as guests of the Japanese Airlines. It appears that during the early occupation of Japan, Forrest was able to assist in the early planning which resulted in the establishment of JAL. After all these years, the president of JAL finally located Forrest and invited him to visit Japan as a guest. Forrest and Pattie were given a real red carpet treatment during their 20-day visit.

Maury Cralle writes that he saw Ed Cummings at his daughter's wedding at Annapolis during the summer. Ray Raymond also attended the wedding. Ed Reber apparently still has hair, since he recently wrote and asked for 6 bottles of Tom's Scalpade. He said Jean and John Morrow had spent a weekend with them recently. Jean and John also stopped by West Point in August for a

short visit with old friends. Paul Breden reports that he is getting ready to make another trip to visit his daughter in California. Paul now has four small granddaughters. Janet and Steve Reynolds did not vacation in the Virgin Islands as previously reported. Steve did, but Janet at the last minute decided to go to Italy instead. During a week-end visit to West Point in August they couldn't really agree as to who had had the better vacation.

At a dinner meeting of the Advisory Service Board of the American Ordnance Association held at West Point, 10 August, Admiral Arleigh Burke, president of AOA, presented the Association's Medallion to Bill Billingsley. Present were officers of the Association, the Superintendent, the Dean and other Professors accompanied by their wives.

Among those expected for Homecoming are the Butchers, Reynolds, and Oakes. Several others, I hope, will be here.

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In Xanadu did Kubla Khan

*A stately pleasure-dome decree;
Where Alph, the sacred river, ran.*

So the story goes, according to S.T. Coleridge (1772-1834). And Herb and Dot Vander Heide have emulated Kubla Khan and created their own stately pleasure-dome, not by Alph, but by the Potomac, on its western shore, at Hallowing Point a bit south of Fort Belvoir (and just south of Accotink, with whose 1:20,000 maps we became disgustingly familiar in P.M.E. and Tactics as cadets).

The Vander Heides threw open their beautiful house and grounds for the summer picnic of the Washington group, and while some of us may have got lost on the way (in spite of a detailed route map provided by Herb), seeing the Vander Heide's establishment was "worth a detour" in the words of the *Guide Michelin* about French country restaurants, to say nothing of the pleasure of drinking, eating, and visiting with old friends in spacious and beautiful surroundings.

Herb and Dot designed the house themselves to fit into its setting overlooking the Potomac: California redwood and glass with graystone hallways and central rooms; on two levels surrounded by shade trees, and with a superlative view of the river from a 20-foot bluff where steps lead down to a private boat landing; beautifully furnished with handsome pieces that Herb and Dot have picked up all over the world. A preview tour of the establishment was plainly essential before proceeding to the picnic tables and bar on the riverside. Herb and Dot had thoughtfully undertaken to provide the food as well as the accommodations, and assisted by Marie Dunn, Dot's sister, they did it up brown with a magnificent fried chicken supper. The Washington weather cooperated by providing a sunny, pleasantly warm-cool day after a night of rain.

The farthest travelers to make the picnic were Bill and Ruth Hamlin, trailering out of their Pompano Beach base, who had stopped in Washington a week earlier, learned of the picnic, went on to New Jersey, and returned especially for it. They were heading for California for the rest of the summer. Our other trailer-ites, Hugh and Mable Stevenson, were just back from their annual Florida sojourn. Also coming from outlying places were Vic

and Tillie Vickrey from Linthicum Heights (Baltimore). Tillie and Dot Vander Heide went to grammar school together when Dot's parents were stationed at Fort Meade, and the "post school" was the civilian one at Linthicum. Also from Baltimore came Bo Hubbard, who was beaming over the fine progress of son John B. Hubbard, Capt., Armor, '60, now recovering in a hospital in Japan from wounds received with an armored reconnaissance outfit in Vietnam. Jack and Nina Stone came from their Annapolis estate in the Providence domain, and C.J. and Marian Calloway, from their Fredericksburg, Va., farm.

The rest of us just headed south on Shirley Highway (now also Interstate 95) for the Gunston Hall Road and Hallowing Point. Fate and Ginnie Fagg brought Ginnie Jr., her husband, Arnold Singer, and charming, 3-year-old granddaughter, Leslie, as well as their youngest daughter, Fayette, an accomplished musical student who hopes to play (eventually) with the New York Philharmonic. (Ah, youth! Ah, ambition!)

Especially welcome were Carol Arnett, now fully recovered from her long illness; Fama Maulsby, just back from a California visit with her family and again occupying her apartment in the Westchester here; Alice Nesbitt, sparkling as always; Georgie Ostrand, happy in her work as a professional librarian; Leni Perkins, whose two oldest have gone on to marriage and higher education, and whose son Sam, a senior at Brown, was home for the summer and working in a city law office; Grace Woods and Senta Bell, who both live in Arlington Village, one of the earliest garden-type apartments and a landmark on Columbia Pike north of the Pentagon.

Trude Lynde was present without Nel, he being on a 3-week trip to Taiwan as a consultant for the Department of Defense to survey the Republic of China's heavy industry potential and a modernization program for its army vehicles. Also a consultant, but privately and self-employed, is Fen Sykes, who has expanded into the "management consultant" area, though he deplors that term as now being almost as odious as "efficiency expert" once got to be.

Alice Nesbitt brought to the picnic a resurrected group picture of the Class made just before graduation, all in our new finery of officer's boots, Sam Browne belts, and Army service caps. (Britches, too, and blouses.) This one, Jupe plans to have available at one of the functions during our 40th Reunion. Some of us scanned it at the picnic, and identifications are going to be much harder than for the railway gun picture at the 35th. Most of us are wearing our new officer's caps in the approved cadet style—square and forward on the head—so that we appear to be peeking out from under. The few *avant-garde* boys, who cocked their caps on the back and side of the head—as we all would soon be wearing them—are rather easily identified, but the rest appear to be in hiding. Come to the 40th and try to find your roommate and yourself.

Picnic attendees, in addition to those already mentioned: Dave and Kitty Buchanan, Paul and Marion Elias, Jupe and Judy Lindsey, Herb and Ida Milwit, Nick and Jackie Nichols, Wayland and Marion Parr, Jack and Allie Seward, Ralph and Bobbie Strauss, Marshall and Harriet Stubbs, Bill and Nell Thompson, Slim and Muriel Vittrup, and Dick and Isabel Wentworth.

Our other news is principally in geographic clusters—California, Florida, and New York. In southern California, Whitside and Maxine Miller, now living in San Pedro, see Dorothy Fadness regularly at bridge sessions at Fort

MacArthur. Dorothy had a Honolulu vacation this past summer and stayed at Fort DeRussey, on the beach at Waikiki. The Millers' oldest daughter, Janet Miller Simpkins, appeared on NBC's quiz show "You Don't Say" during the summer and garnered over \$700 for self and husband Ron. Eddie Mays's son Sam is stationed near the Millers at Long Beach Naval Station. Whitside wonders whether he and Maxine are still entitled to the youngest-child-in-the-Class Cup presented to them on the birth of their Linda at Fort Meade in 1955. The point is, they have reinforced their claim through the birth of Debora Miller at Fort MacArthur on 1 Jan 1959. Has anybody done better, or later, than that? (I have asked Whit if they are prepared to relinquish the Cup in case they prove to have been out-classed, but the correspondence has suffered an hiatus since that query.)

Hatched and matched (but nobody snatched this time, for which we are duly grateful). *Matched* takes us to Florida, where in Nakomis last spring—according to belated, but appreciated word from Rennie Renshaw—Jack Crary was married to Toni Toner in a ceremony attended by Tony and Fran Costello, Eddie and Ruth Mays, and Rennie and Eileen Renshaw. The Crarys have bought a house on Casey Key, a few blocks from the Costellos. The Class extends congratulations and all good wishes for happiness to the Crarys. (Renshaw provided an excellent photograph of the handsome wedding party, but it is in color, which does not reproduce satisfactorily in these columns. For future reference, everybody, please try to get a good black-and-white of important events.)

Also from Florida, Tom and Marian McDonald report another class gathering for the summer wedding of Bob and Mary Cook's daughter Roberta to Capt. Charles Edward Lytle, Inf, '59. Present in addition to the McDonalds, were Eddie and Ruth Mays, Tommy and Rose DuBose, and, as an usher, Capt. Alan B. Renshaw, AF, '56. The wedding reception was held at the Orlando AFB Officers Club; the young couple will be stationed at Fort Riley.

The McDonalds themselves are luxuriating in their new Maitland, Fla., house and pool, with "instant" landscaping and lawn. Fred and Cora Lynn Dent, from Shalimar, recently spent a weekend with them and advise anyone planning a new home in the South to check with the McDonalds on how to do it before they put pen to contract. Tom and Marian's sons are both pursuing higher education in the armed forces: younger son, Randy (Capt., AF), at Wright-Patterson for resident graduate school in systems engineering and a master's degree; older son, Tommy ('57 and about to be a major, USA), at the U. of Arizona at Tucson in the same field and for the same degree.

The Dents also had a visit with Kirk and Edie Wee Kirkpatrick in Melrose, where the Kirkpatricks have a beautiful lakeside house which they first reduced in plan-size and now have built an addition to. Fred Dent is active in organizing a West Point Society of Northwestern Florida among the 40 known graduates and ex-cadets in his area, and would like to have word from anyone not yet contacted. Address: Maj. Gen. F.R. Dent Jr., P.O. Box 814, Shalimar, Fla. 32579.

Fred also calls our attention to the fact that Lucien Adrian Rowell, ex'29, should be joined with Lincoln and Freeman as still serving on active duty. Rowell is an Air Force colonel presently with the Boston Procurement District. We congratulate him and

take some credit for the Class at the same time.

Moving now to the New York area, Jeff Seitz, the perennial New Yorker, has lost 18 pounds working on his Connecticut place since retirement. "It will kill me, but think of what great physical shape I shall be in when they lower me into the grave." In August, Jessie Royce Landis Seitz went into rehearsals for a Barrie play revival, which would give Jeff an excuse to stay in the city more and get his breath back.

Roger Browne exited from his New York City Commissioner job with the advent of the Lindsay administration the first of the year. Some time ago, anticipating that he wouldn't work forever for the City of New York, Roger set up R.J. Browne Associates, Inc., a consulting firm, and had enough clients over the years to keep the firm alive. Now Roger has swung into high gear on a full-time basis, and is on the go continually—England and Germany twice, Chicago, Dallas, Albany, Washington, D.C. many times. In fact, he's in this area so much that he had become an outpost member of the Washington group, and we look forward to seeing him and Betty at the class get-togethers.

Also joining us as new and welcome outpost members, though considerably closer in distance, are Merle and Ella Thompson, who have abandoned Spartanburg, S.C., for 3 acres and a house 10 miles south of Winchester, Va. (Address: Route 1, Middletown, Va. 22645.) Their new residence is part of an estate that has been in one family since the original grant from Lord Fairfax. Complications arose when they sold their Spartanburg house sooner than they could get in the Virginia place and in the meantime had to hasten to purchase all new large electrical equipment (and a "little" tractor) before the advent to the Virginia sales tax. This accomplished, they embarked on a series of visits to Virginia and Carolina relatives (and motels), and were to be in their Middletown house by the end of September, they hoped.

That's all, except:

1. BEAT NAVY. (Ye Ed. says you should have this before the Navy game.)

2. The Washington group assembles for a cocktail-buffet with the ladies at the Fort McNair Club on Saturday evening, 3 Dec. Include this in your plans.

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It is always sad when these Notes have to start with reports of tragedy. It seems as though I had just written of Carl Hutton's death in June when word came that Peter Odenweller, Charlie's youngest son, had been killed in action in Vietnam. It is especially tragic when we lose the young men who have so much to live for. It is small consolation to Charlie and Robin that Peter died in the service of his country, but at least they can take pride in the fine soldierly record he left behind him. And there is his brother Robert, a captain in the Air Force, to carry on the family's Service tradition.

In August we suffered another loss when Rock Dodson died as the result of a heart attack. At his funeral in Arlington were Ray Brisach, Thad Broom, Clem Hurd, Max Janairo, Adam Koscielniak, Pappy Lewis, Mitch Mitchell, Pie Nyquist, Sandy Stone, Sid and Mary Wooten, and Sterling Wright. Two of Rock's daughters were also there. There was a simple service at the Fort Myer chapel, and the graveside honors were ren-



1930: Andy O'Meara, CINCUSAREUR, visiting Tom Stoughton, CG, Area Command, at the latter's Hq in Munich.

dered by Air Force troops with fitting dignity and precision.

One other misfortune, happily not of tragic proportions: Ster and Tillie Wright were visiting friends in Newport in August, and Tillie missed a step in a darkened hallway and broke two bones in her foot. Not a major crisis, of course, but painful and disabling, what with the knee-length cast—and in the middle of a prolonged heat wave. To one of Tillie's energetic disposition, it may have been a minor break, but it was a major nuisance.

Not much news from our small group of members still on active duty. Two of them, however, managed to get together in August when Andy O'Meara paid a visit to Tom Stoughton's headquarters in Munich. Andy was there to attend a meeting of the Inter-Allied Confederation of Reserve Officers. A nice note from Marguerite, forwarding a picture of the event, says: "We still love Munich and have another year here. Young Athleen Brisach spent a few days here with Luisa this month. Tom golfs once or twice a week now. He always marvels that these wonderful German golf courses are so very uncrowded—no starting times—no waiting—and all this beautiful scenery!"

Children in the news. Roy Lindquist Junior ('56) has been promoted to major, has three little girls, and is currently (September) at Fort Dix but expecting a change of station shortly. His brother Robert ('58), now a captain, returned in August from duty with the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile) in Vietnam. He has two sons and a daughter and is on his way to ROTC duty at Mississippi State University. Connie Booth (Junior) and her husband spent part of their summer vacation at the Odenwellers' "Pentagoet Inn" in Castine, Maine, and reported that they loved it. Linkey Booth (Mrs. Frank Wilhelm) is staying with Bob and Connie while her husband, a Marine Corps captain, is in Vietnam. She recently spent a week in Worcester (Massachusetts) and saw Emmie Terry Clifford, who told her that young Fred ('60) is just returning from flying helicopters in Vietnam and is scheduled to go to Fort Rucker as an instructor. Bob Booth saw young Tony Janairo ('64) at Fort George G. Meade during the summer; he is stationed there with the 11th Cavalry Regiment. And Bobby Booth Junior is at Duke University in his sophomore year.

It has been suggested that we so-called "Five-Year Classes," who plan on June Week reunions only every five years, take advantage of the annual Homecoming activities that USMA sponsors on a selected weekend each fall during the football season. The idea is to put ourselves on a two-and-a-half-year

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cycle, holding our regular five-year reunions during June Week and an intermediate one every 2½ years during Homecoming Weekend. As Bob Booth put it: "For guys our age, five years is a long time between drinks." To my mind the plan has considerable merit, especially since the USMA authorities would gladly support it; but I don't want to generate the necessary logistic planning unless there is a reasonable degree of support for the plan. Accordingly, I particularly solicit your individual comments on the desirability of our organizing such a get-together for the fall of 1967. You don't have to commit yourself specifically or irrevocably—just send me a short note pro or con the idea. If there seems to be sufficient interest, we'll set about making concrete plans.

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I should like to commend to all of you, both those who attended the reunion, and those who were unfortunately unable to do so, the summer issue of ASSEMBLY. The pictures in the front of the magazine tell much better than I can with words the story of this past June Week and the reunions staged by the various classes. I had intended to send in one or two pictures, but have been saved the trouble by the Editor's foresight. If you do not receive a copy of this ASSEMBLY, by all means make an effort to see a copy belonging to a friend. If you have any trouble identifying any of the participants in that valorous array of '31, let me know, and I will send along proper identification. We sure are handsome, with beautiful wives, aren't we?

With the retirement of those in the Class from the Air Force and some of those still active in the Army, we are left with only 16 or so still on active duty. My list shows: Andy Adams, deputy for Logistics at CONARC; Tick Bonesteel, commanding the Eighth Army in Korea; Pat Carter, still with NSA at Fort Meade; Bill Cassidy, Chief of Engineers at Fort Belvoir (Bill, by the way, is one of the most accomplished water-skiers in the Class, a trade learned while inspecting water reservoirs around the country); Johnny Davis, ACSI in the Pentagon (Johnny has the distinction of being our latest past-president—see more on this later); Bill Dick, commanding the allied troops at Izmir, Turkey; Ernie Easterbrook, deputy CG Sixth Army at San Francisco; Bob Hackett, commanding ARADCOM at Colorado Springs (incidentally, Bob notes that this is the third job that he has taken over from Charlie Duff, all in succession); Curt Herrick, commanding MDW, and the new class president; Merv Magee, chief of staff at ARADCOM; Frank Pachler, chief of staff at USAREUR at Heidelberg; Ted Parker, with SHAPE, wherever that is right now; Vic MacLaughlin, commanding the QM Center at Fort Lee; Johnny Ruggles in the Pentagon; Gus Schomburg, commanding ICAF at Fort McNair; Tom Stayton deputizing at ARADCOM; and Bill Train, commanding First Army at Fort Meade.

Charlie Duff has just retired from ARADCOM in a ceremony witnessed by those in the area. Van Bond's retirement orders were issued effective 1 Sept, and Johnny Waters is now in this vicinity, having retired from Hawaii. Johnny was decorated by the Minister of Defense of Vietnam for his "contribution to the organizing and transporting of U.S. Forces to Vietnam to assist the Republic of Vietnam in its fight against com-

munist aggression." I had a card from Jake Smart with his new address, but haven't heard from the other retirees as yet.

A note from Jim Baker was received at the reunion to tell us that he has a new job. He is now on the faculty of the State University of New York as associate professor of accounting. It sounds like a good thing from his description. He does have one difficulty, however. The house that he was building at V.P.I. does not lend itself to transport to Albany as easily as Jim and family. If anyone is interested in a small house with ten rooms, four baths, double garage, etc., contact Jim at his new address.

In addition to the cable from Jim Pumpelly quoted in the letter, I received the following note. "We are living four minutes from one of the nicest beaches on the Mediterranean, about 40 kilometers south of Barcelona City. We like Spain immensely. Hope I can make the next one: the 40th (Sounds awful!). Marge is fine. Sure wish I could join y'all."

Wilbur Skidmore has moved to Florida along with Billie. He writes: "I have decided to move to Florida and will continue in the real estate business at a more leisurely pace. Our son is returning from Vietnam and will be on the Third Army staff at Fort McPherson. If any classmates come by, please stop and swim in our pool, and I will give you a boat ride." (In the pool, Wilbur?)

Julie Chappell apparently became tired of losing the putting championship of northern Florida to Charlie Hoy, so Julie and Lois have moved to Americus, Ga. They are moving into a new house they have built with Julie as contractor, painter, and electrician. (Our education was really complete, wasn't it?) When I put Pump's telegram in the letter, I couldn't find the other one from Honolulu, so here it is now: "As the Class celebrates our 35th, we in Hawaii send our warmest Alohas and trust you will include us in your dedication to West Point and its nobility." Signed: Adams, Burroughs, Carlmark, and Waters.

Pat and Patsy Hunter went out to the West Coast this summer to see Howard the Younger before he left for Vietnam. While in Monterey, Pat and Patsy were taken to dinner at the club at the Presidio by George and Ruth Fletcher—Fletch selling insurance, and Ruth busy with the Monterey History and Culture Association. Best chairwoman the group has ever had. Ray and Helene Pratt and Ham and Betsy Peyton were also noted at the club, all looking hale and hearty. Of the many dinners enjoyed by the Hunters in the San Francisco area, the finest was at Green Street prepared by that Cordon Bleu chef, Mike Irvine. In addition to cooking, he teaches at Cogswell College and Helen manages the Thrift Shop at the Presidio of San Francisco. Ken and Jean McCrimmon also fed the Hunters while in that area. Mac is at Berkeley with the work-study program, and Jean is active in local politics. Unfortunately for the Hunter appetites, Deane and Jo Gough were away when they went down to Carmel. I can't figure out from Pat's notes who was at the Bach festival, but it must have been the Goughs since Jo plays in an orchestra, and I can't recall Pat being in the choir.

Charlie Densford chipped in with some news about the retirement ceremony for Jim Mooney in San Antonio. Jim and Speed were very active in civic affairs in that area, and Jim was honored with several citations for his fine work when he left. Charlie says that Jim is finally making an honest man of him, since he, Charlie, reported three years ago

that Jim had retired and was living in Mississippi.

Charlie and Martha Hoy were in Washington for a short visit the first part of August, and many of us enjoyed seeing them at a luncheon at Fort Myer attended by the following: Swede and May Carlson—they have bought a truck/camper, I think you call it, and have so far traveled south to Annandale to try it out; Pat Carter; Earle and Jessie Cook; Johnny and Wilma Davis; Bob and Jo Eaton; Bill and Betty Hall; Bill Hardick; Curt and Alice Herrick; Gus Heiss; Warren and Margot Hoover; Gus and Fern Schomburg; Gordon and Gretchen Singles; Betty and me; Trick and Lucy Troxel; George and Marian Wertz; and last but by no means least, Peter Otey Ward. May I repeat again what a pleasure it was to see Charlie so well able to get around and Martha looking so well. The Class had another luncheon just two days before I submitted this copy with the sum total of ten members present, and they proceeded to hold a very democratic election. This one was very different from most of the others, however, in that all the officers elected were present at the meeting—a most unusual circumstance. The new officers are: Curt Herrick, president; Bob Eaton, vice-president; Phil Stiness, secretary (surprise); and Earle Cook, program boss. We planned a meeting for 21 Oct.

One of those present at the luncheon was Dick Steinbach, who came all the way from California just to be sure that he wasn't elected to some job *in absentia*. Andy Adams writes from CONARC inviting classmates to stop by for a golf game. Frank Bogart notes from nearby Maryland that if he can ever find a way to keep out of work, he'll come to some of the functions. I guess being with the space program these days is a rather busy way to make a living. J.M. Brown was visited by Julie and Lois Chappell who were passing through, children-visiting at McGuire AFB. Lightnin' also said he had a card from Bob Johnston in Scotland. Bob said that it was easy to acquire a fondness for liquids made from malt (whatever that might be?).

Some time ago I had a complaint from Paul Burns about a stamp I had used, so I asked him this time if the stamp was satisfactory. His reply was, "Which stamp, your portrait or the Indiana one?" I am afraid right now that I used a circus stamp on his envelope.

Speaking of *non sequiturs*, I leave it to the readers to figure out this one from Frank Corbin in Universal City: "Doing a little law practice—see the bank president, Jim Stroker, now and then." Bill Davis notes that he probably has the latest retirement date of any colonel in the Class—3 Sept 1966. This honor was achieved as a result of the delay in converting Bill from the TDRL to the permanent list. Another late, or perhaps it should be early, claim comes in from Louis Guenther. Louis went on social security last month. Can Charlie Densford top that one?

Chet and Gin Diestel report everything going well on the West Coast; seeing the Mike Irvines occasionally and hoping to get a gang together for the ARMY-U.C. game. Ad Dishman, still helping our astronauts off from Cape Kennedy, says it's still the same old stuff: work, pay, and play. Marcellus Duffy has a disturbing report from Pawtucket (my home town) that it is going to the dogs; they are in the process of banning the "go-go girls." I probably have stayed away too long—40 years to be exact. Bill Hampton reports from Colorado Springs that all in that area are well and active. Harry and Norma Cooper stopped by to visit for a

short time. Bill and Dorothy would like to hear from any classmate passing through the area.

Johnny **Hansborough**, almost a Ph.D. (not quite, but soon), says that he and Eloise are making plans for the 40th Reunion. Les **Kunish**, was visited by his ex-wife, Deak **Roller**, on 1 Sept; Deak was on his way to **Rothrock's** offspring's wedding. Ding **Carter** sends in a fuller report on our peripatetic classmate. Ding and Deak started for Florida after reunion, with Deak arriving a week after Ding—a rather difficult feat. Deak's trailer is now in Ding's front yard, and Deak hasn't been around for a week or so. When they do get together again, they plan to tour Florida in a leisurely fashion and visit classmates. A word to the wise is sufficient.

I am beginning to get a bit worried about the bank presidents in our Class (see above about **Jim Stroker**). Now **Don Little** says he had a telephone call from O.Z. **Tyler** saying that he and Allison were very disappointed when they weren't able to get to the reunion, but he was tied up at the bank. **Don** also reminds me that "an epistle is the wife of an apostle."

Tom Marnane reports that he and Ruth are now "off the hook" with their youngest off to college, so they plan to get in a good bit of travel during the next eight or nine months with Texas as a base. They haven't deserted the great Northwest, but feel Texas is more centrally located for their present proclivities. There are enough classmates in that area to keep them busy for some time. I'll get to the rest of the alphabet and the notes in the next column.

I regret closing on a sad note but must report that **Earle "Hock" Hockenberry** died in Washington in the middle of July. Hock was buried in Arlington Cemetery with many of the Class here present and acting as honorary pallbearers. **Marian** is remaining at their house in Arlington for the present if any of you wish to drop her a note.

'32

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It's a rare thing and not a pleasant one to begin the column with sad news. We start off with the death of **George and Franci Kumpe**. Most readers are aware of the tragedy and I have received such a plethora of letters, notes, and memos that I can only extract a few details. First, a clipping from the *Herald Tribune* stated that **George** ran through a stop sign in the center of Tampa at about 3:00 p.m. striking another vehicle head on. Death was instantaneous for **George** but **Francetta** lived in a coma for several days. Services were held in Sarasota, and the funeral was at Arlington where graveside services were held for both. Honorary pallbearers were: **Bus Wheeler**, **Frank Besson**, **J.P. McConnell**, **Charley Baer**, **Honey Whalen**, **Lt. Gen. Trudeau**, **Maj. Gen. Bidle**, **Brig. Gen. Lilly**, **Brig. Gen. Pattison**, **Col. Kumpe (brother)**, **Capt. Colton USN**, and **Capt. Speigleman USN**. The news had spread like wildfire so that hundreds attended the ceremony. I recall among those present: **Dwight Beach**, **George Mather**, **Joe Kelly**, **Cassidy '31**, **Stan Wray**, **Luke Morris**, **Archie Lyon**, **Ward Gillette**, **Roscoe Huggins**, **Bob Schukraft**, and **Dick Hunt**. If I've omitted anyone it's because of the huge attendance. Roommate **Charley Baer** did a fine job in coordinating the ceremony as did **Jim Woolnough** and his office.

I would offer a personal tribute to our classmate, but an extract from a eulogy from a member of the board of directors of "Sarasota Project Alert" expresses most fully **George's** contribution to life:

"There is no way to repay, and it is doubtful that **George** would expect, let alone tolerate, any attempt to try to calculate a method of repayment for what he has given. We can, however, out of respect, not only for the man but for what he stood, take the time in each of our lives to rededicate ourselves to a deep commitment to our God, the ideals of dignity, integrity, and personal freedom that have made us the greatest nation on earth and to our loved ones, that we may better understand their weaknesses, respect their virtues, and love them for what they are.

"**George's** mother said of him, 'He has been the same since he was four,' and no better description of the strength of character inherent in the man is possible for the majority of us; we can only say, 'We journeyed with him for a little while, and he made us better people because of it.'"

A card from the Secretary of the Association of Graduates informs us that **Bill Coit** died on 30 July 1966 in the Veterans' Hospital in Palo Alto. In addition, in the obit column of the *Armed Forces Journal* was a listing of **Huglin's** death. No further information is yet available.

Finally, **Nancy Besson** was afflicted with a stroke paralyzing one side. An exploratory operation was followed by a delicate brain operation. We sincerely hope that **Nancy** will have a full recovery.

Better news from **Carrie Bess Smith** says that **Lon** is improving fast after a stroke this summer. He was hospitalized at Fort McClellan. "**Dossi Davidson's** telephone call to the hospital, flowers from the Class, and a visit from **La Trelle** and **Pop Duncan** all in the same day really gave us a tremendous boost at a time when we both were on our lowest limb," said **Carrie Bess**.

A change to more pleasant events starts with contributions given me by **Ed Howarth** at the class luncheon on 8 Sept. **Skip Skidmore's** son, **Francis**, sends a thank you note for the 1932 pen set. He is serving in Korea where he finds that a new officer learns a great deal there in a very short time. **Cornelius de Witt's** son, **Spotswood**, also sent a fine thank you letter. Both young men were deeply affected by the gift. Whoever thought of it should take a bow. **Ed** also gave me a letter from **Bob Scott** who admits being 3 years in arrears. **Bob** says he has both left feet established in the hard, hard civilian world. He is at the moment regional vice-president of Coastal States Life Insurance Company, vice-president of a holding company in Tacoma, Wash., which in turn owns a bank and is building an airplane. He attended the "American Fighter Aces" convention at the Air Force Academy where he gave a speech. Seems to me that **Bob** has got both right feet established in this hard, hard civilian world.

To my amazement **Andy Meulenberg** has moved to the head office of the Matalin Coconut Co., Inc., Manila, P.I. I thought he was still in Georgia. This outfit, started by **Ruth's** parents 40 years ago, controls the product of an extensive plantation in Mindanao. He lives in a plush apartment overlooking Manila Bay. Let's go to Manila! Another VIP classmate, **Bill Powers**, now has been promoted to executive director of engineering at Lincoln Center. For the uninitiated, this is a hotshot job. And the best part of it, **Bill** welcomes all classmates a la red carpet. Take advantage of it.

A letter received months ago is still newsworthy. It is from **Ed Hartshorn**. He attended **Johnny Pugh's** retirement at Battle Creek, Mich., with ex-Secretary **Brucker**. **Ken Zitzman** had to skip it for an emergency trip to the Far East. **Charlie Dodge**, who had retired earlier the same day, made a speech together with Secretary **Brucker**. **Ed** says it was a "very well done affair," and that **Johnny's** modest reflections moved the spectators. **Fran** and **Johnny** will live on the outskirts of Lynchburg, Va. **Charlie D'Orsa** takes over the Corps.

The "teachers," i.e., **Johnny Gavin**, **Roscoe Huggins**, **Jamie Jamison**, and myself have attended the summer class luncheons at the Pentagon. The quota is about a dozen bodies, but the personnel varies. **Bus Wheeler** attended one with a patch over his eye. It turned out that he had a cataract removed. **Joe Kelly** proves that one can talk without a larynx, although he admits it's somewhat of a handicap. As usual, **Jim McCormack** listens and smiles. **Jim Woolnough** as president, is a faithful attender and generally presides. I dragged **Pete Hinshaw** from his reclusive hideout at Scientists Cliffs, which reminds me that ol' **Pete** and his **Barbie** have a treasure house there together with a romantic, appealing log cabin in a beautiful gorge some 200 yards down the road from the master domain. We spent two enjoyable weekends there to include a boat ride on the Chesapeake. Address: 517 Scientists Cliffs, Port Republic, Md. **Barbara** came up with **Pete** the day of the luncheon and, after spending the day with **Molly Solomon ('33)**, joined us for dinner and an all-too-brief overnight stay at our house.

Just received before mailing the Notes to ASSEMBLY, a clipping and note from **Stan Stewart**, whose son, **Capt. Terry W. Creighton**, was killed in a T-33 aircraft accident on 24 Aug while on a proficiency training flight. **Terry** was the Class Godson and recipient of the Cup. He is survived by: his widow, the former **Jo Ann Carlton**; two children; and his father, classmate, **Col. S.R. Stewart**. **Terry** was a member of the Class of 1956 USMA.

We received an announcement from **Lou** and **Mary Coumts** to the tune that daughter, **Mary**, married **Mr. Peter Michael Beck** at Las Vegas. We think they eloped. **Charlie Baer** wants everyone to know that his new address is: 3864 North Chesterbrook Road, Washington, D.C. **Bill Menoher's** new address is: R.R. #2 Box 2763-15, Fort Pierce, Fla., 33450. **Eleanor McCormack** has invited about all of '32 wives she could reach in this metropolitan area to have luncheon at the McCormacks' apartment on 28 Sept in an effort to get the gals to form bridge groups, luncheon groups, Yoga, or what have you.

In the last issue of ASSEMBLY, I made reference to the late **Whitey Manlove '33**. Please disregard the "late." **Whitey** is very much alive. My humblest apologies, **Whitey**.

That's all for now. Next issue will be written from **Grenoble, France**, where I will attend the famous university there for the academic year 1966-67.

'33

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Bob Gallagher died, suddenly, of heart trouble at his summer home in Orleans, Mass. His pallbearers included: **Ryan**, **Watters**, **Vidal**, **Tom Beck**, **Hartel**, and **Pope**. The funeral at Arlington on 13 July was attended by 10 other classmates. **Betty** will return to live in this area sometime in November.



1933: Mike Brigance, King's grandson, and great-great-grandson of the distinguished Charles King, USMA 1866.

Larry White became a Plebe in July and is our only representative in the Class of '70. Red says Larry seems to be off to a good start in the academic field.

My grandson, W. Michael Brigance, whose great-grandfather was USMA '04 and great-great-grandfather was 1866, went with Gracie and me and our Patsy (his mother) to West Point for a centennial gathering of descendants of 1866.

At the August luncheon Kaesser told of the possibilities and the advantages of the teaching field. Tom Glass was another out-of-towner present. Ferris plans to stay at his home on Eleuthera Island in the Bahamas. Ely retired 31 July. Bill and Helen have moved to St. Louis, where he is with Sverdrup and Parcel, Constructing Engineers, 916 Olive St. Bill was awarded a DSM for directing DoD's Research and Engineering program since July 63. Hadley Richardson saw Stilwell in San Diego when Joe was there this spring with his Special Forces demonstration team at the Navy Training Center. Later, Harrell was in town to give a talk on Force Development. Daughter Gale graduated from Chapman College with a degree in phys ed and may join the Army as a physical therapist. Son Harroun is with the Merchant Marine and has made several runs to Vietnam. Hadley and Hester are sure their Pacific can't be beat for good sailing. Patterson's address is: Box 1175, Maitland, Fla., where Pat has organized his own business—Management Engineers, Inc. Bill and Alice Baumer visited him for a few days this spring; they inspected his orchid collection, and one evening were joined for dinner by Dwight and Julie Divine. Watters is now working for Dick (RJ) Meyer in the Strategic Communications Command (in *old* Tempo E, on the Mall) in the business management field.

Ethan Allen Chapman is now CG, Western Region of NORAD with Hq at Fort Baker, Calif., with additional duties as CG, 6th Region, ARADCOM. Gee has been transferred from the NATO Standing Group to ODCSPER, where his immediate boss is Bert Sparrow. Sibley moves from Europe to St. Louis and command of the XI Corps. Garrison writes that he had to leave his teaching position for 2½ months during the 64-65

school year because of cancer surgery and subsequent cobalt treatment, but he had a perfect attendance record this past year; he keeps busy "teaching, boating, swimming, and skin-diving." Darnell bids aloha to Hawaii to command ARADCOM's 5th Region from Maxwell AFB, Ala. Hetherington's real estate firm in San Antonio is building substantial homes in that expanding area. Dahlen, Fourth Army Deputy CG, at Fort Sam, has duties which include supervision of modified training for non-combatants (conscientious objectors) and the Modern Pentathlon Center. Class of '33 luncheons are held at the Officers Club there on the second Wednesday of each month. Billy Harris writes: "Today is the anniversary of the Battle of the Little Big Horn; and I used to command the 7th Cavalry. I found that I had a full-blooded Sioux who had just arrived in my command, so this morning he and I met to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the battle, and I presented him with a Garry Owen insignia to represent burying the hatchet." Hill is busy acting in his community theater.

Longley writes from South Bend, where he had flown to take part in police-sponsored pistol matches preliminary to Camp Perry: "Last year I quit helping make Minuteman ICBM's. I still fly around quite a lot—to Texas on ranch business, visiting one of the three daughters, or to shoot in a pistol match. Last Thursday, I let Lee off in Joliet, Ill., to visit our oldest daughter, Anne, and her family. Then I flew here. This is one of



1933: Beach and Engler following a conference in Vietnam.

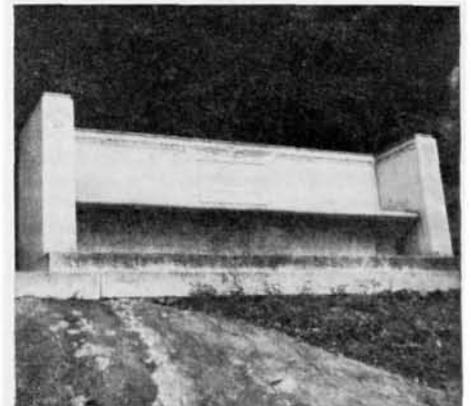
the largest pistol ranges in the U.S. I suppose I am fortunate to be shooting in the Civilian Masters Class because I can win a few matches in that class." Cam took first place in the .22 aggregate competition and in three other classes. He flew back to Joliet, then to Port Clinton, Ohio. "I plan to fly to Philly for the ARMY-Navy game. I've never seen one since we graduated, except on TV." Bastion retired on 31 July to his new home near Savannah: Villa A-36, Sea Pines Plantation, Hilton Head Island, S.C., 29925. And here on Hilton Head Island Peg and Sim Whipple are spending some time, she more than he, at their away-from-Washington home. Some time ago, O'Connor earned an M.A. in Spanish; Tom is now spending a good bit of time in the selling field. His present address is: 9 Suffex Road, Suffern, N.Y. Mullins has lived in England for almost two years; he is managing director of Atlantic Petroleum Ltd. Moon and Ann live at 44, Albert Court, London, SW. 7. "We would be more than pleased to see any of our classmates or their children, and perhaps we could

be of assistance with the 'Mullins Information Service.'"

Broshous sent me the picture of the Sheridan Memorial. Russ says that after a third of a century the seat remains in fine condition. Roberson has a home in Santa Barbara, at 901 Alecda Lane. Gerry was looking forward to a visit in August from his daughter and granddaughter; she has an M.A. in German and teaches at Tufts U. "Carolyn's arthritis rarely stirs up out here. Older son, Gerry, came out to resume his education. Younger son, Tan, is in his senior year at the U. of Calif. (Santa Barbara branch); won honors in political science." Honeycutt and Calhoun had cocktails together at Sandia and thought it noteworthy that one, Bill, was working for a classmate, Billy Harris (Deputy CG, Fourth Army), and the other's boss is also a classmate, Donnelly (Director, Defense Atomic Support Agency). Ryan continues as a consultant for North American Aviation. Bill is right proud of his son, Bill Jr., who was commissioned as a Distinguished Military Graduate from V.M.I. last year (with one of the most outstanding records in that institution's history) and is now a liaison officer with the 4th Inf Div. Marje is in Italy to visit their daughter, Tracy. Messersmith has taken over management of United Van Lines' oversea operations.

I have included a picture of Jean Engler, Deputy CG in Vietnam, and Dwight Beach (USMA '32), CONARC Chief, in the field. Lessie Engler reports that their son, Jean, is a new father and that daughter Fran will soon give them another grandchild. Fred and Ruth Gibb plan a 2-week stay on Jekyll Island, only a few waves away from Whipple and Bastion. Charlie and Barbara Carver are living in the Crystal House apartments at 21111 Jefferson Davis Hiway in Arlington. Dick Montgomery, who has logged more than 10,500 hours flying time, retired on 31 Aug in Wiesbaden with ceremonies featuring a fly-by of F-100's, F-101's, F-4D's, F-102's, and F-105's. Dick had been there since September 62. Shinkle has been selected for the position of APOLLO manager at Kennedy Space Center. Raine Gilbert, Doug's son, is back from duty in Germany and will try, at Catholic U. here, for a Ph.D. in nuclear physics. Vidal is recuperating at home after an operation at Andrews AFB. Frank and Nel Henry's address is: Box 446, Leesburg, Va. Daughter Joan presented them with a second granddaughter while there this summer. She left recently to join her husband at Benning.

There have been many inquiries about Joe Stilwell but, as of now, his status is unknown. On a flight from the West Coast to Hawaii, on 24 July, Joe's plane was lost and, in spite of intensive search missions, it has not been found. Unless sooner located, he will be carried as "missing" for a year and a day.



1933: The Sheridan Memorial on Flirtation Walk.

'34

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About the middle of August I became your Scribe upon the sudden departure of Lee Miller from the Washington area. Lee has accepted a position with industry in Flagstaff, Ariz.; his address is 424 North James St.

Don and Thelma Durfee attended the wedding of their younger son, Tom (USMA '64), to Miss Linda Lee Andrews of Petersburg, Va., on 16 July. In the arch of sabres were Don's father's (USMA '86) and Don's trusty (but not too rusty) blade with which Linda later cut the cake. Navy son, Dave (USNA '63), is now with the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

Our Class is still collecting stars: Jack Seaman received his third one on 31 Aug. The active list is growing smaller—Bob Adams retired on 1 Aug and Arno Luehman on 1 Sept.

Ken Cunin writes from Ohio State University that his son, Kenneth (still a bachelor), is a captain in the Army Dental Corps and expects to be stationed in Alaska by September 1966. Ken's daughter and family (two grandchildren) are living in St. John, New Brunswick, Canada. Ken reports that Pop Warner and Ellis Davis are also at Ohio State.

There are 35 graduates and former cadets of our Class residing in the Washington-Baltimore area, a substantial number of whom meet for lunch on the third Thursday of each month at Arlington Hall, Va. At the July luncheon there were 18 members present including: Tom McCrary up from Georgia, Barnes, Barton, Betts, Bruce, Bunker, Corrigan, DeGuire, Edson, Gerhart, Kern, Lewis, MacDonnell, Miller, O'Hara, Schaefer, Spivy, and Walsh.

Lou Walsh was last reported en route from Washington to Panama via automobile. Let us hear of your adventures south of the border, Lou. Percy Brown is now home after a successful operation at Walter Reed. Johnnie Stevens continues to improve and is back at RAC working half-a-day. The MacDonnells and the Spivys expect to be grandparents soon. Congratulations!

A letter has been received from 2d Lt. R.W. Manlove (USMA '66) thanking the Class for the silver cigarette box presented to him on graduation.

Attending the August class luncheon at Arlington Hall were: Barnes, Betts, Bruce, Corrigan, DeGuire, Edson, Foote, Gerhart, Higgins, Lewis, Miller, MacDonnell, O'Hara, Schaefer, Stevens, and Tyson.

Cy and Pat Betts entertained the class executive committee at a delightful buffet dinner in their quarters at Fort Myer, Va., on 10 Sept. Those attending were: Fred and Rosa Barnes, Hal and Faith Edson, Tom and Foss Foote, Bob and Nancy Fuller, Emory and Loretta Lewis, Bob and Sis MacDonnell, and Bert and Frannie Spivy. Dale and Ginny Smith dropped by later in the evening.

Our latest class son to enter West Point is Pete Spivy; he has been a Plebe since July 1966. Bill Stone (NATO) was seen in Washington on 12 Sept.

Bob Fuller, class treasurer, has a new address: 1054 Bellview Place, McLean, Va. 22101. Please send 1966-67 dues to him if you have not already done so.

There have been a number of other changes in addresses during the past year, but they are not included in these Notes as a new world-wide locator has been compiled and should be in the mail soon. There

are still some addresses for which we do not have ZIP code numbers.

The input of news for the fall issue of ASSEMBLY was very light. Please send notes for winter and summer issues to the above address or call me: Home—(Area code 703) 524-4388, or Office—(Area code 202) 232-1828.

'35

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Congratulations to Frank Murdoch on his nomination for a second star, and the hope that by the time this reaches him he will be wearing it. Frank is deputy C/S Logistics and Administration at Hq Allied Land Forces, Southern Europe.

Chuck Symroski has returned from Vietnam, for the second time, and after some leave in East Falmouth, Mass., is to report to Hq CONARC at Fort Monroe during the latter part of October.

Hank Thayer has made a complete recovery from his major surgery last June and looks as though he had never been sick. He has retired for the second time, and with their youngest daughter, Carol, off for her second year in college (University of Maryland), Hank and Arline plan to move to a garden apartment development especially for senior citizens, just a few miles north of their present beautiful home. Their son Dick has an apartment in Arlington and is with the IRS office near Bailey's Crossroads. Their elder daughter, Donna, is Mrs. Ralph Burch of Wheaton, Maryland. She and Ralph have a charming little boy, Bobby, age 1.

Ed Ferris had a bit of surgery about the end of the summer, but he recovered "beautifully." I suspect his was brought on by the rigors of moving. He and Marie and Timmy, their youngest and last one at home, have moved to a new "high rise" apartment less than a mile from their last home. However, the mailing address looks quite different. It is 10401 Grosvenor Place, Apt. 1210, Rockville, Maryland, 20852. This is just beyond the Washington Beltway, off Wisconsin Ave. which becomes Rockville Pike. It is quite convenient for Tim who walks to Georgetown Prep from there.

Gina Throckmorton reports that she and John are having a good year. Gina herself recovered quickly from an appendectomy; John is enjoying his new job with the Office of the Chief of Staff; son, Tom, 27 and a captain, is at Purdue taking courses to become an instructor at West Point; son, Russ, 24, is a new lieutenant with the 101st at Fort Campbell; and son, John Jr., 19, is a star-wearing Second Classman.

Jim and Consuelo Alger made the papers with a nice picture last July. It was the occasion of the opening of new family quarters at Fort Davis, Panama Canal Zone. Jim is CG, U.S. Army Southern Command.

Casey Boys sent in a newsy letter reporting on his family. Son Joe ('61), is a captain with an Air Commando unit now in S.E. Asia. Daughter Robin is a lieutenant with the Army Medical Corps and last July married Lt. Pete Jorlett, aide to the commander of Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam. Daughter Gale graduated from Emma Willard School in Troy, N.Y., and is now attending the University of Kentucky. Casey says that with a son in the Air Force and one daughter in the Army he was moved to maintain the old unification spirit and accordingly accepted an appointment to the faculty of the Naval Academy, and now resides at

Wind's Will, Rugby Cove, Arnold, Md. 21012. We hope to see him at the class luncheons here in Washington.

A note from Al Forman reports that he and Marjorie have moved to 205 Sproul Road, Villanova, Pa., 19085, and that he is teaching English at Valley Forge Military Academy. He says that since both of them are from that state, they gravitated in that direction just before the year of government storage time ran out. Al also says they spent a very pleasant day last July visiting Bob and Marian Murrin in River Edge, N.J., and while he and Bob were doing 18 at Hackensack Country Club, he got a few lessons in how to drive a cart and made plans with Bob for the A/N game, adding—"Beat Navy!"

Les and Dotty Wheeler came from the West Coast to Falls Church to be present at the marriage of their niece early in September. Dotty was her usual radiant self, and Les was suave and urbane as always. Les is with the RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, Calif., and brought greetings from Sid Spring who is also with that firm.

Fred and Alice Cummings have moved back to the Washington area. They are at 4520 Dolphin Lane, Yacht Haven, Alexandria, Va., 22309. Fred has taken a position with Technical Operations Research.

Jeff and Charlotte Rumsey are grandparents for the second time. Brian Janoske Rumsey, 8 lbs. 11 oz., arrived on 10 Aug 1966, at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Quantico, Va. The joy of Brian's arrival has since been somewhat shadowed by the fact that Lt. David Rumsey, his father, has orders for Vietnam.

The 17 June luncheon had a pretty fair turnout (21) including Tiger Beall, up from Hq Third Army, Atlanta, on a trip. Others in attendance were: Anderson, Bernier, Bowyer, Ferris, Firehock, Greenlee, Hawkins, Hill, Howell, Ingram, Keating, Mente, Orth, Parrot, Robbins, Rogers, Russ, Thomas, Worthington, and yours truly. That was the last meeting of the Washington contingent up to the date of this writing, but it is reported that Bob Greenlee is setting up another for 29 Sept.

As you will see by reading elsewhere in this issue, the Association of Graduates has a new Secretary. I must pass on to you his plea for up-to-date addresses with ZIP codes, because starting the next calendar year he must have ZIP codes on all his mail-outs. So drop him a card with the necessary information, and while you're about it, let Ed Ferris or me hear from you, too, not only for the ZIP code but any other news items.

'36

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The summer of 1966 is unique in our lives and is the opposite of that youthful period three decades earlier; the greatest number of '36ers have just "turned in" their uniforms. Unfortunately, I don't have here yet an updated list of "wheverybodis."

Sadness shook our midst when, in mid-July, Bill and Betty Connor lost their wonderful Jimmy in a helicopter crash at Fort Rucker and the same day, Bill Jr., '64, was critically wounded in conflict with the enemy in Vietnam. The Connors have created a new meaning for that overly used word "stoic." Young Bill is recovering in Ward 9, Tripler General, Hawaii, and proudly wears the first Silver Star awarded to one of our sons.

Fortunately we are still active enuf to get some promotions, and it was a pleasure to



1936: Palmer, Dickens, and Powell at Randy's retirement ceremony in July.

learn of Len Shea's second star, down in the Canal Zone. It is gratifying to hear from so many that you approved the cuff links and the executive glasses; one never knows another's reactions when you're spending his money. A number of people were not so enthralled with the magnificence of the 1936 Memorial Gift Fountain below the Chapel, to forget to inquire about the 1936 class tree. It is with the greatest of pleasure that I pridefully submit that it has been dug up and relocated at the most important spot "on campus"—between Cullum and the Officers Mess.

Received messages from Austin, Barrett, and Brimmer during recent months. Chuck Billingslea retired, receiving a DSM and had no plans for working in civilian life (yet). Ned Broyles indicated he had a son working for VISTA and another headed for OCS. Marj Chappelle wrote a long letter describing their pleasure at the reunion. Jack Chiles "finally" left the 2d Infantry Div; he went to become deputy CG of Fifth Army at Chicago, where we already have two other commanders (Mike and Ben Turnage).

Kay Christensen and Dutch Hartman together share our new 1936 "executive" glasses. Kay also gave her son her 1936 cuff links in memory of Don. Roy Cole wrote commenting about what a great Class we have and mentioning that his much-decorated son is back from Vietnam and at the Armored School at Knox. Cec Combs was advanced to the job of Dean at the University of Rochester. Bill, Betty, and Kassie spent an evening in Atlanta in late August on their way to their new home in Charleston, S.C., at 18 Elliot St. His job is with the new Baptist College of Charleston. Bruce Palmer pinned a DSM on Randy Dickens at the latter's retirement in July. Also on hand was Bev Powell. Randy will live in Fayetteville, N.C.

In mid-August Howell Estes paid Atlanta a call on Lockheed biz. He gave an evening to us and the Snyders, Gages, and Coxes (sister Betty). Had a pleasant time chez Lo and Howie's, a downpour notwithstanding.

Ben Evans wrote a couple of times from way out in Turkey; he's the only '36er in those parts. Three classmates retired together at Fort Sill: Ev Hahney, Bill Connor, and John Torrey. Young Bill Haneke '66, reported for duty at Fort Riley and was met there by sister, Margaret, who was already "on duty." Bill will go to Benning later. He

wrote, "I want to express my deepest appreciation to the great Class of 1936 for the beautiful graduation present."

Helen Hess says they enjoy their '36 glasses; also commented on a trip to Puerto Rico, but the postmark obliterated most of the card's message. Bill and Gen Hendrickson became grandparents, with assist of daughter, Trish. Wright Hiatt has been in his water job in Oregon since February and hasn't seen any '36ers. Howie Snyder and I had an extremely pleasant afternoon and evening attending Red and Polly's (Holton) retirement at Fort Benning on 31 Aug. We were additionally fortunate to have a pleasant visit with Hattie Weeks (Pol's mother) in her quarters, and to meet Lt. Bill Holton, Adj Dep, and his attractive bride, Yvonne.

Jim Illig's beautiful daughter, Rosemary, was married in July to Mr. John Gilman. Received a warm letter from Bob Joerg after his return from a long trip. There were a couple of reports from Jack Kelly who's still in command at Hood. The first week in September, ran into "Mr." Jim Landrum in the Washington Airport. He was just reviewing installations in his new job as Washington manager of Science and Consulting Firm of Auerbach. He and Kay have moved their home too, to: 6313 Crosswoods Circle, Falls Church, Va. Jim, Billy, and Nita Leer retired and are living at: 16823 North Scenic Lane, Minnetonka, Minn. Tim Willis reported the great time we had at June Week to Bill Longley who was very sorry he could not attend. Roy McCarty took a job with The Citadel as a staff engineer. McElhenys were in Washington in June. Heard about the reunion from the Whipples. They saw Hayes and Pages; down in Florida enjoyed the Klocks' new home in Largo. Then, in early September, Dan and Fran surprised us one nite by coming by Club 36; we all had a fine time.

Bill Meany wrote from Oakland, Calif., sending Liz \$1, which he had lost to her on a bet. Heard from Bob and Tuck Partridge who are now in Buffalo, N.Y. He has left the Hill School and is a systems engineer for Cornell Aeronautical Lab. New address: 5180 Elmcroft Ct., Clarence, N.Y., 14031. Virginia Persons wrote that she had seen Kinards and Hayes in Washington. She said Ace Miller had been to Colorado; Romlein was retiring; and Terrells were on board. Gordy Austin and Howell and Nan Estes had visited, and they were expecting to hear

from the Holdernesses on their way east. Chuck Prosser retired, leaving only this clue: 1723 Montery Court, Bettendorf, Iowa.

Bob Quinn packed his blues and took a position as director of the museum at Rome, N.Y. Had a long, comprehensive letter from Sandy Robbins Murphree, daughter of our deceased classmate and his deceased wife, Eldred and Meredith Robbins. Sandy married a young man in college early in 1965; she still keeps up with Class of '36 affairs.

Talked with Bill Shuler who retired uniquely into the same job he had before becoming a civilian—even the phone at his office remains the same. Bill has given evidence of doing a fine job for the Class in the Washington area. He has scheduled a lunch or some affair every month ahead, including June 1967. The functions are after the 20th of the month, so in case of memory-lapse, this might be an assist. It would certainly be rewarding to any of us who are passing thru Washington to call Bill and say howdy; he's in DCSLOG, DA. Perhaps before you read this, Bill will have brought up to date the "retired" class address list and you will have it at hand.

Steve Smith retired from Hawaii and is working for the State of California; lives in Sacramento. Bill Steele is out—and back at Bainbridge Island, Winslow, Wash. Charlie Stewart hung up his suit in August. Young Steve Swain was admitted to the Class of 1970, USMA; but I haven't heard if there are other sons in the plebe class at West Point. There are none at the Navy or Air Force Academies. The Swains are in their new home in El Paso which overlooks Mexico, New Mexico, and Texas (that's a lot of territory!). Vera sent me clippings of her painting laurels at which she has worked for the whole of Oren's career; she is *not* retiring.

Heard that Freddie Terrell was laid up in the hospital at NORAD. Presume he's OK now. John Torrey earned a DSM at retirement and went to work for an investment firm, AG Edwards & Sons, Dallas. Ad and Ben Turnage received a grandson on 1 July; it is Capt. and Mrs. B.O.T. III's.

Ed Wallnau seems busier now than when he was sponsoring cadets; he's organizing gifts for boys in Vietnam and works out of Boynton Beach, Fla.

Wirt and Patty Williams have retired to Wenatchee, Wash. Betty and Chuck Waters were in Atlanta in September. He's still with water engineering in Louisiana. Chatted with Vic Wagner in Washington. He was staying with the Harry Kinnards and is in the real estate biz in Florida. He has just sold Jim and Sonia Hughes a home in Palm Beach area (I think). Ken Madsen is also in the vicinity.

I'm off schedule, it seems, so far as estimating when you'll be reading these Notes. So with apologies, may I wish you both a BEAT NAVY and a MERRY CHRISTMAS, whichever is more appropriate.

It is also our pleasure to welcome as new Editor and the person most responsible for keeping our lines of communication clear and open, Col. Horace Brown, Class of '41. We are always indebted to him and his assistant, Col. R. Keleher, also '41.

Lastly, I know we all wish Randy Hines the very best, not only for the tremendous help he gave us as Secy and Editor, but also in his new position at The Citadel.

'37

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Your new Scribe is writing these few words in desperation and hoping that they will make the fall issue. Dotty and I returned to Washington from the Canal Zone to occupy quarters at Fort Lesley J. McNair (generously provided by the U.S. Army) and to assume new duties as Director, Inter-American Defense College located at McNair. And also just in time to go to the class luncheon and find my friends (!?!) had elected me, in absentia, to keep you informed on the what and where of the Class of '37. So please keep me informed on all the comings and goings of our classmates, and I'll try to meet the deadlines.

Incidentally, I am trying to work up a class roster of all of us with current addresses, so I would appreciate a postcard from each of you with your current address, assignment, etc., etc.,—and ZIP code! Please send it today.

Since I am already late for the fall issue I'll only be able to get a few items in this issue.

John Stevenson has just retired and gone with NASA. Can't tell you how he likes his new job, but he will still be in Washington with us and he's still our class president.

Curt and Bobby Lou came by in mid-September to say hello, leave a few items at the house, and jump off for a two-month tour of Europe. Curt finally took the step and retired in July.

Scotty and Ann Hall are back in Washington. Scotty has just been assigned as Chief, Air Force Technical Applications Center and has moved back into his home at 3907 Blackthorn Street, Chevy Chase, Md. They both look fine; Europe must have agreed with them.

Received a newspaper clipping from E.Y. Burton who is with the Army Artillery and Missile School at Fort Sill. He assumed the additional duties of chief of staff of the post on August 1. Also received the word that Leroy Lutes retired on 1 August at Aberdeen and received the DSM for his fine work with the Test and Evaluation Command there. Congratulations, Leroy!

This isn't much copy, but I didn't have much of a chance to get on the job before the deadline hit.

Please keep me informed on whom you see and what they are doing.

'38

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Another hot, dry summer has run its course, and the only relief from the parched condition in the Washington area has come from wetting-down parties given in recognition of a number of well-deserved promotions. Heading the star list is Ches Chesarek, promoted to lieutenant general and appointed Comptroller of the Army on 1 August. In the next order of magnitude, Bud Mearns, Junie Lotz, and Lou Coira made the jump to major general in July. Nominated for promotion to two-star rank were Greg Lynn at Continental Army Command, Frank Izenour in DCSPER, Frank Miller with Army Vietnam, Gee O'Connor at Fort Lewis, and Ward Ryan in Saudi Arabia. Congratulations from the whole tribe.

A considerable amount of unwilted fruit salad, as reward for outstanding past per-

formance, was also passed out during the summer. The Legion of Merit was awarded to: Vince Elmore by U.S. Army Southern Command at Fort Amador, Canal Zone; to Ken Wickham on departure from the Combat Service Support Group at Fort Lee; to Greg Lynn for Army Alaska service; to Bob Erlenbusch for achievements at Fort Leavenworth; and to Rudy Laskowsky and Gus Broberg on retirement. You do good work, fellers.

Quite a few of the active duty brethren have been digging new foxholes recently. Having seen Ches Chesarek taking charge of all the Army's money, Ken Wickham moved into the Pentagon as Army Adjutant General to sign nearly everything but your pay checks. Fred Dean escaped from the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency bit to become deputy CINC of Strike Command at MacDill AFB on 1 Aug. Jim Isbell switched to Commander, First Air Force Reserve Region at Andrews without change of telephone number or hat rack location. Bill Beverley moved one desk to the right in going from Chief, Enlisted Personnel Division, to Deputy Chief of the Office of Personnel Operations, DA. Jeff Irvin shucked off



1938: Erlenbusch receives oak leaf cluster to his Legion of Merit from Gen. Lemley, Commanding General, Fort Leavenworth.

the Deputy Secretary of Defense title but stayed in the personnel racket to become G1 at USARPAC, Hawaii, on 24 Sept, taking Babbie, Jeff Jr., and Julia along. Junie Lotz signed off as J6, MACV, on 1 Sept to become Chief of Communications-Electronics for the Army. Ed McKee shifted to Headquarters XII Corps, Atlanta, Ga., from Fort Chaffee, Ark. Bob Breitweiser has turned over the Air Force's Southern Command in the Canal Zone to his successor and taken on the mantle of Vice-Commander, Military Airlift Command, at Scott AFB, Ill. Arpad Kopcsak is home from the attaché post in Hungary and is making goulash with the Military District of Washington. Chuck Walson made a shorter move—from STAG's "Brain Barn" in Bethesda to duty with DCSPER's Officer Special Review Board, 31 July. Roland Anderson has progressed from head of the Weapons Command at Rock Island to become Director of Procurement in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Installations and Logistics. Doug Polhamus has arrived at Andrews AFB from Tachikawa to command the Air Base Wing of Headquarters Command, USAF. Bud Mearns gave up command of V Corps Artillery in Europe to move into Personnel Operations in July. Those are all the shifts reported, but the troops are restless.

The passing of another fiscal and service year seems to have prompted a number of retirements. Paul Preuss turned in his suit on the first of August, as did Frank Patrick and Rudy Laskowsky. George Abert was retired for physical disability at Brooke General

Hospital, San Antonio, on 1 Aug, and John Carusone, after three years commanding Camp Drum, N.Y., went out on the same day. Rollin Durbin and Chick Anderson both retired at Fort Hamilton, N.Y.—on 1 Aug and 1 Oct, respectively. John Corley, temporarily with the Office of the Chief of Staff, also took his final parade on 1 Oct. Question: What are you all doing now to keep the groceries coming in?

Lloyd Johnson, extravaganza-arranger extraordinary, set up a champagne dinner-dance at the Naval Gun Factory in Washington for the D.C. Set on 16 July, a great success socially and no fiscal disaster. Joining in or creating the merriment were: Barbra and Jesse Thomas, Di and Frank Norris, Fran and Nick Chavasse, Rosemary and Fred Dean, Marie and Frank Patrick, Margaret and Bill Kieffer, Fran and Bill Corbett, Lorraine and Bill Smith, Charlotte and Jim Taylor, Ginny and Jim Isbell, Miriam and Jim Lewis, April and Dow Adams, Trudy and Warren Hannon, Edith and John Swenson, and Kitty and Lloyd Johnson.

Lloyd's next arrangement—history when you see this—will be his last in his present chapter office. The Washington clan will convene at Bolling AFB, under the guiding hand of Frank Norris, for lunch and the selection (election?) of new officers. The wives have been invited along to see true democracy in action. That is, it is rumored the menu will list some choice of food.

Although somewhat dated information now, the class sons graduated in June from USMA were posted as follows: Frank Hartline, Armor, to the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell; John Kelsey, Armor, 25th Infantry Division, RVN; John Tillson, Armor, 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment, Europe; Stephen Singer, Signal Corps, 2d Armored Division, Fort Hood; and Bill O'Connor, Artillery, 2d Howitzer Battalion, 2d Artillery, Fort Sill.

In the same vein, other class offspring have been in the news. The Bob Yorks have announced daughter Gail's engagement to Lt. Henry J. St. Germain, with the wedding set for 25 Nov at Fort Benning. John Fouche Brownlow III married Margaret Ann McDaniel at Fayetteville, N.C., on 9 July. Elizabeth Barrett Browning, daughter of Dottie and Phil, was married in Paris to Cosmo J. La Costa of New York, in August. Steven Bassett, son of Cookie and Jim, a graduate of Georgia Tech, married Sharon O'Neill in July at Aiken, S.C. Henry Clarke, son of Jane and Dobbie, has completed three years of commissioned service in the Army and is now switching to the Foreign Service. He is pursuing a master's degree at Harvard, but worked in Washington this summer.

From the grab bag. During July, Warren Williams, president of the Army Board for Aviation Accident Research at Fort Rucker, flew a C-47 loaded with good will and statistics into Belvoir, en route to the concrete carousel. Purpose of his stop-off was to see his former sergeant-major graduate from Engineer Officer Candidate School. The Bouncer had visited Bob Ashworth, "Mayor of Saigon," a month earlier without collecting any souvenir Claymore mine pellets. The *Army Research and Development* magazine for July-August sports a photo of Bill Latta hobnobbing with the presidents of Princeton and Pennsylvania Universities as together they launched an operation typically titled "PPAAR," Electronics Command stutter for "Princeton Pennsylvania Army Avionics Research." Max Murray spun one wheel at Belvoir and is now with the Research Support Group probing the Greenland Icecap, for what, he wasn't telling. Trev Dupuy, president of HERO (Historical Evaluation

and Research Organization), has another excellent article in the August issue of *Army* magazine, "Selective Memoirs of Liddell Hart." Frank Norris, pinch-hitting for Frank Izenour, then hospitalized, gave a fine talk on the philosophy of Army education and training at a National Security Industrial Association-DoD-Office of Education Conference on Engineering Systems for Education and Training this summer.

Art Collins's 4th Division is on the move to RVN, but Gee O'Connor has apparently been promoted out of going with him in the division. Bill Beverley was the inspirational speaker at the 16 Sept graduation of the Officer Candidates at Fort Belvoir. Jane Clarke, in Charleston, S.C., supplied the information on Steve Bassett's wedding. She saw Cookie there, pretty as ever despite a major operation, and young David, who is attending Georgia Tech. Cookie is living in Bradenton, Fla. Jane also saw Dottie and Bill Wansboro at the wedding and at their quarters at Fort Gordon. Of the five handsome little Wansboros, Terry is the oldest and a sophomore at Mary Washington. Thanks for your newsy letter, Jane.

You will have a new reporter for the next column, but since his selection has not been properly ratified yet, I will pass to him any news that you are burning to see in print. Send in your hot scoops for the cold winter months!

'39

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Since the June issue, which announced the change of Scribes, has not been distributed, I am having to go to press with only a few items. Hope by the next issue to cover many more, particularly those of you who are in civilian life.

Bill Smith, who got his second star in June, has taken over as Chief of Staff of the Defense Communications Agency. Henry Newcomer has been ordered to NATO. Charlie Mount, en route to Benning, and Jack Boles, newly arrived at Aberdeen, have recently been presented the Legion of Merit, for their respective achievements in Vietnam. Another Far East returnee is "Woody" Wilson who left Manila to join his home office in Boston. Woody has been with Metcalf and Eddy since his retirement.

During a fast trip to Europe in July, I had a pleasant visit with Carl Buechner, G5, V Corps, in Frankfurt. He has seen many '39 visitors since his arrival in March, including Bill Bradley (with new star), Ken Collins, Bob "Judge" Williams, Walter Grant, "Speedy" Hull, Jim Keller, Dan Minahan, Norm Farrell, Joel and Nernie Thomason (MAAG Belgium), and Dave Dillard with his bride, Brigitte. He has word of Jim Schwenk in Munich, Paul Tuttle in Heidelberg, and Dave Matheson and Dick Curtin in Paris. Bob Schellman, Walt Brinker, "Dutch" Kerwin, Walt Higgins, Roger Phelan, and Bill Price are all in Europe, but Carl has not seen them. How about all you European types checking in with Carl before Christmas so he can bring me up to date for the spring 67 issue?

The recent Army major general list had the names of six '39ers: Boles, Brinker, Ken Collins, McChristian, Ploger, and E.P. Smith. Congratulations to all!

From the Washington area we have a few reports. Bob Studer passed through en route to Fort Monmouth from Colombia. Milt Adams has been assigned to the Air Force

Inspector General's office. Harry Kinnard has joined ACSFOR. Dave Dillard has reported into Fort Meade. Jim Green and Steve Mancuso retired this summer and are planning to teach in northern Virginia.

The Washington area group is planning a lunch in October which should provide further news for our next issue.

'40

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"When the frost is on the pumpkin, that's the time..." to call up Ren Keleher, the genial Editor, and ask for three-days' grace. Inspired by the undefeated season to date (Kansas State 6-ARMY 21), I am attempting to "Keep Kool with Kahill."

Highlight of the summer was one of my too-infrequent meetings with Frankie Devlin (former Leavenworth roommate) at Quarters 100, USMA, with Don Bennett to referee, spouses to observe, and color running riot in the sportshirts assembled. Grilled chicken and steaks in the sacrosanct back yard could only make us think of the last time we assembled at the same quarters "by order of," in white starched uniforms, and necks well in. Frankie observed that the years have used us well. Betty Bennett shone as the hostess.

Bill Roedy came by on the way to the Mediterranean to deliver his son to the new plebe class. Don Yeuell was in and out at N.Y.M.A. with son Paul, and Bill Kintner due for Homecoming. This takes care of personal contacts.

To the new generals, both 3-star, 2-star, and 1: *Salud y pesetas*.

DD Form 1175 is a rectangular piece of cardboard 7½" in length and 3¼" in width which is used by thoughtful classmates to indicate to me that they have changed their addresses. In my left meathook I presently hold 11 of these which relate that: Paul Deems lives at 34, Boulevard de Glatigny, 78 Versailles, France (international postal rates, please); Jim Maedler from Vietnam to ODCSLOG in the Pentagon; Woodie Vaughan from 5408 Brookland Road, Alexandria, Va., to 2904 Dartmouth Road, Alexandria, Va., picking up 3 ZIP code points on the way and giving him an overall ZIP number of 22314; Walt Gunster from Arlington to USA Civil Affairs Agency, Fort Gordon, Ga.; Bob Strong from Pease AFB to Chief of Staff, 8th Air Force, Westover AFB, Mass.; Roland Gleszer from USARPAC to Office, Comptroller of the Army, Headquarters DA; Chuck Oglesby to New Delhi (APO N.Y. 09675); Lanny Witt from Carlisle Barracks to Chief of Staff, USAADCEN, Fort Bliss, Tex.; Rod Wetherill takes over as CG, 24th Inf Div, USAREUR, APO N.Y. 09112; and Bob Williams from 2d Inf Div to Aviation OACSFOR. Hank Cunningham says, "not Bragg to Benning," but rather, "6909 Strata Street, McLean, Va., to 5104 Wickett Terrace, Bethesda, Md." In all of my years of correspondence this is the finest correction I have had to date.

The following bits are culled from neatly typed, hastily scrawled, or carefully penned letters received here in the past three months:

Jim Walters in project office as deputy for Range Operations at Redstone Arsenal; Nils Bengtson back from Vietnam, is Director of Research and Development in the Missile Command at Redstone; Phil Elliott is still teaching school and liking it in Miami, Fla.; Stu McKenney newly selected for BG in New Delhi, India; Podufaly, also selected for BG in Office of Chief of Engineers, and George

Mayo, our third selectee for the one star is at the National War College. However, as a general officer he will soon be assigned elsewhere. Hamelin in Afghanistan with an APO of 09668, N.Y. Lee Cagwin at Aberdeen.

In the salad days of John Coontz he mailed me a copy of *The Regeneration of Robert Murdock*, USMA Class of 1894. I have since sent it, by way of Don Bennett, to the West Point Library, and have had acknowledgement from Mr. Egon Weiss, Librarian, USMA. Jack Dibble is deputy commander for the aviation brigade located in-country, Vietnam. Frank deLatour is back in the States and who knows where? Dick Abbey is back to Washington from a "long hot summer" of 15 months in Vietnam. Paul Phillips retires, as does Brown H.C., Crown, Brewer, and Mandell. Where did they go? ... What do they do?

From the pages of the *Journal of the Armed Forces* and a generous assist from Sam Patten: Two stars to Jack Wright, Bob Williams, Dick Free, Howard Penney, Tom Scott, Ray Shoemaker, Oz Leahy, and Dave Parker. Harry Miley, Rod Wetherill, Dick Cassidy, Lee Cagwin; Woodie Vaughan already in that category. A.J. Russell with three. Bill Shanahan has been named Manager, Army Programs, Data Processing Products Division of Hughes Aircraft, Fullerton, California; Red Gideon is new commander of Warner Robins Air Materiel Area; Vic Conley is the new CO of Fort Sheridan; Harry Miley is assigned to DCSLOG. Sam Goodwin has been reassigned from Hawaii to Army Advisory Group, Korea. Kiki back in Washington. Jack Wright to Office of Asst C/S for Operations.

Bill Porte's daughter, Katherine, marries 2d Lt. Richard A. Purinton, a June graduate of USAFA. J.T.H. Spengler to STRICOM from Turkey. Clizbe from Hq, USAF to USAF S Comd, APO 09825, N.Y., as commander. Mike Paulick from Vietnam to USATC, Campbell. John Graf from Warren, Mich., to USARV. Oz Leahy's son, James, received recognition for achievement in Military Science at Columbia Military Academy. Willy Buck from the Far East to Aerospace Def Div, Ent AFB, Colo. Urey Alexander's son, Buford, wins \$500 Offutt AFB OWC scholarship.

Don Yeuell's letter to the *Journal of the Armed Forces* published on 10 Sept 1966. Much to think about. Condolences to the Kennneys, who lost their oldest son in an auto accident.

My accuracy on addresses is waning. Please invest 5-cent stamp, and seasons greetings to me with your new address embossed thereon.

'41

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There is still a sort of afterglow from the reunion, and it seems too early to be thinking of Beating Navy and Xmas Letters. The summer has been hot—and busy. The news about the '41 gang has been good—and bad.

The good news was very good, indeed. For the first time, the Class has been well represented in the "make list" department. George Brown became our first lieutenant general. Selected for promotion to major general was Phil Seneff, CG Army Avn Brig (Prov) and Avn Off USARV. Nine crossed the BG goal line: Frank Linnell, Hq Army Tng Ctr, Fort Bragg; Walt Woolwine, Dir of Proc & Prod, USAMC; Elmer Yates, U.S. Army Engr Dist, North Atl Div, Philadelphia; Mac Jones, Gen Purpose Veh Off, USAMC,

Warren, Mich.; Curt Chapman, JCS; Roy Atteberry, Hq MACV; Boaty Boatwright, Hq I Fld Force, VN; Hugh Foster, Hq Eighth Army; and Larry Greene, USACDC Armor Agency, Fort Knox. On the mufti front, Jim Sykes became a vice-president of Panhandle Eastern Pipe.

But the bad news was very bad, indeed. In May Mitzi Harris died very suddenly of a heart attack just as Chuck was preparing to move to his retirement home in Florida; in June Marie Starr lost her gallant battle; Howard Felchlin died of a heart attack on 3 Aug; and, just after arriving in Germany, Mary Jane Purdy died of a cerebral hemorrhage. Our hearts are saddened by these tragedies, and our prayers are with their loved ones.

The summer moves saw Tom Corbin transfer to Eglin AFB, Fla., to command the AF's Special Air Warfare Center; P.C. Root went to Washington to the Officer Reserve Component; prior to showing up on the "make list," the *Journal* showed Boaty Boatwright to USACDICA, Leavenworth, and also Hq USACDC, Belvoir. Dave Cooper returned from Korea to Bliss (USAADCEN). Ray Schnittke moved to the West Coast: 100 Font Blvd., Apartment 11-L, San Francisco, Calif., 94132. Jock and Ruth Adams moved into their new home at 61 South Terrace, Pennsboro Manor, Wormleysburg, Pa., 17043. KO Dessert retired; it's rumored that he's headed for Montgomery, Ala.; Boots Gilbert retired—destination unknown. Poopy Ellis retired: Apt. 4, 560 NE. Wavecrest Way, Boca Raton, Fla., 33432. Lynn Lee to Apt. 17G, 2100 Linwood Ave., Fort Lee, N.J., 07024, with a new engineering job.

The Andrus family is happily ensconced in beautiful Switzerland. We have plenty of room, so one and all, if your itinerary will permit, come see this indescribably beautiful country with its indescribably beautiful people. We have had a chance to visit some of our neighbors.

Bill and Nancy Vaughan showed us the beauties of old Heidelberg, and George and Ruth Johnson, the charm of Munich. I managed to deliver the beret and Rumbo button to your old Will, and suggested we break them out for a Navy game rally in Central Europe. In Munich I talked to Ed Rowny (who has since been moved to Heidelberg as G4) and Buck Miller who was headed for Fort Sam. Bob Borman has moved from Paris to Heidelberg commanding a petroleum depot. Address: 9 San Jacinto, Patrick Henry Village. Again, if you are ready for cooling off in the summer or skiing in the winter, come have a drink out of the beautiful gift you gave us. Write or call us at the American Embassy, Bern—phone 031-43-00-11.

Julie Easton, God love her, has sent two long newsy letters about activities in Great Societysville. John Deane's entertainment committee: DJ DeJonckheere, Ken Kennedy, Joe Reed, Ann Sykes, and Julie, have set up the fall schedule. The indefatigable Sykeses hosted their annual fall plunge party on 17 Sept, and the Xmas drill will go at the Bolling Club on 3 Dec. Julie reports that Jack and Muriel Christensen left on 19 Aug, and Bill and Ruth Gurnee on the 13th. Bill had trouble selling his house with the tight money market. Julie says everyone is having trouble in this regard.

Pat Tansey retired and is working with Eastern Panhandle in Kansas City. J.C.H. Lee was a recent visitor. Betty McIntyre reports five moves in Bangkok since arriving. Doris Lauterbach reports they are sweating out the money market in the sale of their mountain retreat.

There were two weddings: Barbara Lee

Pickett was married on 19 June to Capt. Chas. J. Harrell at Belvoir. Sperry Millikin married "her" lieutenant just back from VN. Lucy missed the wedding because of emergency surgery but is reported doing fine. Besides the deJonckheeres and Roots, the O'Connors and Powells are new members of the Washington chapter. Rod finished a tour as attaché in Venezuela, and Spec just left Paris. Peggy McClure has settled in Washington, and Carmen Knowles is there sweating out Wendy's tour as a provincial potentate in VN.

John McIntyre wrote a long letter from his new home, 7 Church Street, Wallingford, Vt. 05773. He reports having had a serious operation (ulcers) which caused him to miss the reunion, but got a pinpoint fill-in by Ruth Adams.

Rod wrote that it was good to be back with the gang in D.C. He is in the Resources Management Group of Intelligence, USAF Hq. His son, Dick, entered USAFA this summer. Other Academy inputs are: USMA—John Norton, Kurt Von Schritlz, Alan McIntyre, Dave Stainback, and Dick Snider; USAFA—John Brier, Jack Trimble, Dick O'Connor; USNA—Martin Shadday. This is the largest number of sons to enter the Academies thus far.

Ren Keleher reports things have settled a bit and that Horace Brown is in place as Secy of the Assn. Jack Christensen reported that a great bunch of pictures of the reunion came in, thanks to Barney Woodruff, Johnny Brooks, and the guy who covered the reunion from WP. Jack is rumored to have selected a mansion suitable for a college vice-president and to be joining the California chapter of the Class. One wonders what the Washington chapter will do without his charming filibusters.

Howdy Clark has taken over the duties of treasurer in addition to being the secretary. Write him at: 1303 Elsinore Ave., McLean, Va., 22101.

Mal Troup is retired and selling real estate in the Black Forest in Colorado Springs. He has some excellent properties in an area that is growing very rapidly. For those who are interested, write him at Smart-Ingels, 2502 E. Bijou, Colorado Springs, Colo., 80909. Please permit me to say: look closely at this area—some of it has tripled in value in the last six years. Alma is also a licensed real estate salesman. Lt. Brian Troup was married on 1 July to a lovely Arkansas girl and is running a 300-officer consolidated mess at Fort Chaffee.

Another enterprising second-career man is A. Wray White, the manager of the Village of Indian Hill, Ohio, a thriving community dedicated to preserving the charter set forth in 1941: "to continue to be a rural neighborhood of homes and farms," Indian Hill is a well regulated community, a haven of serenity in these times of urban upheaval. Wray suggests that second-career types look closely at city management.

The Book is going to be delayed; you'll probably find it in your Christmas stocking. The main reason is that my redeployment was more disruptive than I had expected it to be, plus the fact that four of the wheel-horses who were helping also left Washington. The delay will give us time to have a few more individual pictures wearing stars, and to include more of the scratch lates. If you have any new input, send it to Ralph Freese, 3525 Glenbrook Rd., Fairfax, Va.

It is time to start working on your BEAT NAVY sheet. The Fight-to-Tie regime has departed, and Don Bennett has handed the 66 season ball to the popular and dynamic Tom Cahill. A former Infantry officer (28

months to the SWP), Tom has coached the Plebes since 1959. Let's get behind the Big Team and make it "two down and five to go" on 28 Nov.

Our Silver Anniversary Reunion was monumental. Let's rededicate ourselves to 25 more years of fighting for the principles instilled in us by our Alma Mater. Good luck and God bless you one and all.

Editor's Note: Word was received at the Association that Tom Sharkey was killed in an automobile accident in Ferrisburg, Vt., on 7 Oct. He was employed there by the Simmonds Precision Instrument Co. Tom was buried with full military honors in the West Point Cemetery on 10 Oct with Schilling, Samz, Scott, Keleher, Horace Brown, and Jack Kelly '39 serving as honorary pallbearers. The Class can be grateful to Jack Kelly, also of the Simmonds Co., who made all the arrangements for the burial from his Tarrytown, N.Y., office.

'42

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The body is made up of bones—about two hundred of them, classified according to shape. Included are wishbones, a type well known to all. No accomplishments, just wants and hopes. Then there are jawbones—lots of motion, noise, suggestions—but again no accomplishments. But the greatest are the backbones—the doers of deeds. If we were poets, we would record their deeds with shining words! If we were singers, we would glorify them with captivating melody! If we were painters, we would picture them for generations yet unborn! But being only us, we can but bask in their reflected glory!

Forgive the panegyric, a paraphrase of an item recently read, which I could not resist passing along to the "Backbone Class of '42." Even the *Methodist Advocate* seems to have gotten the word!

Latest proof of *Fortune's* vision came in mid-August with announcement of the selection of Don Bolton, Frank Clay, Ink Gates, Bill Kraft, Ray Murphy, Hal Rice, Fran Roberts, Bud Ryder, and Pat Timothy to the ranks of the exalted satellite set. Bill calls it a triumph of the "B" Squad. Pat blames it on the young bucks he led in the 101st, and bewails a reassignment from Carlisle when he was all prepared for seminars on the golf course. Ink regretted not having been home to accept whatever largess Mrs. G. might have chosen to bestow! Fran says his golf scores improved at once, and Bud noted that a reassignment was in the cards, just as they'd found a house and were awaiting the furniture. All expressed surprise and a bow to the good fortune which had befallen them and temporarily bypassed our other worthies. We can say only that we're immensely proud of each of you and your fair roomies—and with 26 star billets now in hand, can '42 be far behind?

Tidbits for the mill. . . .

Pete Beeson was pictured giving a hard hat to the CG ARADCOM in a June issue of *Army Times*. Pete was about to leave for Germany after being the Engineer director for four of the five years needed to prepare the NORAD Combat Operations Center. Bob Berman was honored by the Air Force Association with its Management Award at its meeting in D.C. in mid-September—a fine recognition, indeed. Don Blake is leaving these precincts for Maxwell AFB.

Bunny Bonasso was through here after attending the National Security Seminar at



1942: New brigadiers Koisch, Raymond, and Terry (front row) received congratulations from O'Neal, Watkin, and Gates in Saigon at the time of their promotions.

Carlisle. He had written for names of classmates in the Near East, so I take it that his trip with the British Imperial Defense College was marked with interludes of '42 hospitality.

Ran into Dave and Edith Clagett at McNair while they were stateside to get their boy in school. They're hoping to be back in CONUS in '67.

While attempting to pry some freebies from the pharmacy at the Myer dispensary, my attention was attracted to an illegally parked fire wagon. A second glance showed the driver to be Corky Corcoran who reports himself now living in Falls Church and head of a department at the new Northern Virginia Technical College.

Crit has moved from II Field Force to the embassy in Saigon. He was recently awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to his Legion of Merit for meritorious service.

It is my sad duty to report that Ecc Cutler lost his mother in early September. Any who had the pleasure of knowing her would agree that she was the utmost in sparkling vivacious company, and they would join in extending our sympathy to Ecc and family.

A late appointment gave me the unexpected opportunity to lunch with Bill Crosson immediately after his return from Vietnam. Having lived in close quarters with Westy, Bill had enough interesting stories to keep even me quiet! Jeff Davis had the great pleasure of being on hand to help his ma 'n pa celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Betty Deane reported having spent two weeks in Hawaii with Jack. My questions as to which classmates they had seen there brought nothing but an embarrassed silence, but she did mention having seen the beach and heard the surf!

Duff Duffie has taken a job with TRW so that they can stay in this area. His initial encounters on a Navy job have left his beliefs in systems management badly battered. Bob Evans was in town in late July and was seen living the life of ease beside Doc and Enid Hyde's beautiful swimming pool. Also present was Sally White who had survived her daughter's wedding in fine (style, shape). Pick one! Hacer came to our town in early September, but the fates were kind and we were on vacances!

Jane and Duke Grimshaw have been down our way several times in connection with some stitching done on Jane's anatomy at Bethesda. Our fingers are crossed in hopes that her problem is solved. The Offleys and Howie Burris were spotted at a September affair honoring Pat Gates as the new president

of the Washington chapter of Women in Radio and Television. Congratulations to Pat—and to the organization for adding such class! The picture accompanying this column was relayed by Pat from Ink. With Ink on the new list, can Ray and Bill be far behind? Incidentally, the *Journal* indicated in its orders section that Frank and Bob had been promoted to major general. I sent the written proof, but Bob reports no success in his claim for the extra pay from the finance officer.

Dan Halpin retired on 1 Oct and has joined Van Warren and Gene Voegeli in their efforts to reform The Citadel. Orders for George Hesselbacher's 1 Dec retirement have been noted. No word on George's plans as yet. Charlie Hill is reported to be at Fort Monmouth after his stint in Paris. Thoroughly enjoyed attending the wedding of the Horridges' Nicki and her Class of '66 lieutenant in Jersey this summer.

The Hottenroths were at Myer briefly in early August prior to taking up residence in Albuquerque. Jim had kept me posted on '42ers in Vietnam, so I hope for an increase in news from the Southwest now. Dixie Howell is noted to have joined Black John Carpenter at CONARC. Doug Murray is believed to be on his way there, too. Jess Lewis has married the gal—Jean McCaffrey of Hampton, Va.—and she is rapidly being indoctrinated in our mores and customs.

John Mattina came by on his way to take over an Engineer Group in Germany under Rip Young's domain. While here they had lived it up in the Beerses' lovely home. Nell has had a pretty tough year, so they were looking forward to the pleasure of cruising over on the U.S.S. *United States*. Ted and Milly Marks had a brief leave in San Antone before making the local scene and siphoning off their share of mortgage money. Talked to Ted McAdam during their stopover here en route to Colorado Springs. They'd enjoyed the company of the Aileos, Obenchains, and Stanns on the cruise home. John Murphy has been caught again at long last and is enjoying a return engagement in the Pentagon.

Ray Murphy received the Legion of Merit at USMA for outstanding service—and well deserved it was. If his successor can just maintain the pace, good times are coming. Ray O'Neal has also received the Legion of Merit—for his service as Project Control Officer at STRATCOM Headquarters. A June issue of *Army Times* cited the commander of the 199th Light Infantry Brigade as saying, "By mid-October we will be fully trained and ready for whatever mission we might be assigned." My suspicion is that George Reh-

kopf's S1 wrote that sterling prose for him.

Tom Rienzi was pictured in a service paper giving a cash award to an NCO Instructor at the Signal School. A September visit there should give your Scribe much grist for the next issue.

The Sheffeyes done it again—not what you think—they allowed the D.C. contingent to enjoy another summer party at their beautiful estate. Cooperative August weather resulted in much more scenic views in and around the pool. Heaps of food and a fine combo for dancing made it a great success; Dan Raymond came all the way back from Vietnam (R&R) to attend! Larry and Jane Adams also came up for the fun. Ben Hill was the prime mover and worked overtime to make it a real wing-ding. John Sheffey dazzled us with his do-it-yourself Italian marble patio—and Shirley did the same with a net bathing suit! John's way is much more work!

Bob Spilman is another who has added to our laurels with receipt of the Legion of Merit for distinguished service in Vietnam. Mrs. Bob helped the Carlisle OWC greet the wife of the new deputy commandant at a tea in August, according to the *Journal*.

We have been privileged to attend exhibits of Charlotte Robinson's paintings this summer. To illegitimize an old saw, "I don't know what I like, but I know art, and she's great!" They have a handsome home overlooking Lake Barcroft. Al Thompson has returned to the land of the Great Society and is our representative at Headquarters, Third Army. Mrs. W.D. Tatsch has been duly appointed to the board of the Finance OWC in Washington.

Bob and Mercedes Townsend have precipitously left us for life in sunny Spain. Bob will continue to do free-lance writing but hopes to start raising cattle on their cork ranch. Carl Ulsaker was about to leave us for a training brigade at Bragg but the job didn't work out as advertised so he stayed right here to help Pat launch son, Jonathan, in early September. That makes Carl "tail-end Charlie" for the moment, but I'm certain that one of *you* won't leave the laurel on his head for any great period of time.

Bill Watkin, now District Engineer in Philadelphia, has been awarded the Legion of Merit for his services in Vietnam. Looking at the past few issues and seeing how many times that statement has been made, makes one pretty proud of this gang of ours. Since these decorations have not come as a pat on the back at retirement, they would seem to have extra significance. To all of you so honored who have not really received proper recognition from us, a Beast Barracks salute and thanks for adding to the outstanding record of '42.

Gene Weeks' arrival as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics of STRATCOM was properly pictured in the 2 July *Journal*. On a boating expedition with the Duffies in late July, we passed through Easton, Md., and had to stop for a call to Betty and Pat Williams. Needless to say, an invitation for mid-afternoon cocktails was forthcoming—and thoroughly enjoyed. Trappe Foods is ahead of the industry averages (natch!), and their home is a jewel. For any tired vertebrae, let me advise that their home gym is complete with indoor *and* outdoor trampoline—plus a 20-ft. rope to climb for Bill Watkin!

Your reunion committee—Ecc Cutler, Jack Watson, Sam Hays, Lou Flanagan, Tom Rienzi, and Ben Hardaway, with Jerry Snow's guidance, is proceeding apace. Noted in '41's column were some gag gifts. Put your mind to this kind of thing so we'll have some special fun next June. Do respond to all

correspondence, and *do* plan to beat Black '41 in attendance, contributions—and just plain fun.

The Christmas Newsletter response has been great and will, as usual, make much of my news stale, as it should be on this annual occasion. Fie to those 30-odd who could spare only their name and address. Next time let your frau do the honors so we will all know what the last year has (done, brought) to you. Cards to Carl Hinkle, Ray Miller, John Westenhoff, and Dick Yeilding were returned. If you have an address, please send it in pronto.

Letters have been received as follows: From Andy Low to Carl Ulsaker, noting the lack of enthusiasm of his (Andy's) deputy ('40) and boss ('36) over the *Fortune*-ate article. Andy was pushing for a 25-year book—but too late—and reported dinner with the Scotts in Paris, breakfast with John Westenhoff in Weisbaden, a drink with Bill Gernert ditto, business with Ed Munns, and an evening in Naples with the McGuires.

Charlie Mizell wrote from Bragg in July that he was expecting to leave for an Artillery group in Vietnam, with Lee and the kids homesteading in the Fayetteville area. Jere Maupin advises that daughter, Jere, had made them grandparents; that son Brent was helping to crew a Chinese junk from Nice to South America and thence to Berkeley; that they had vacationed in Spain; that when General Lem moved, they'd be ready; and that Jere had lost in the finals of the SHAPE golf tournament, 1-up.

Van Warren sent a note begging us to record a change of address. They were building a home near the Voegelis, and we hope that the end product is now in sight.

Fred Rosell wrote in search of help with his security clearance for his new job with TRW Systems. A check of the Pentagon directory revealed Bill Pashley ex-'42, nearby, and Bill's help got the problem solved in jig time. Fred advised that the Retzers' son, Jere, was entering the Air Force Academy. Fred has undertaken the job of getting a maximum reunion attendance from all west of the Mississippi. He's really going all out, and if the rest of us just do as well on our own account, the Silver Anniversary will be a max.

Crit sent a note advising that he'd been on hand to see Larry Caruthers take over the 1st Divarty and expected to see Charlie Mizell shortly. Also enclosed was a picture of General Heintges awarding Swede Larsen his third star, with Colonel Donnelly P. Bolton, Chief of Staff IFFV, and "General Larsen's Plebe at West Point," in the background!

The official poop advised that Colonel John W. Barnes had been awarded the Army Commendation Medal (oak leaf cluster) for meritorious service in APG. Also noted was George Seip's assignment as intelligence officer in headquarters, IFFV.

Hopefully, this will be in your hands prior to the day of Annapolis Annihilation. A wealth of thanks to those who have added meat to the bare bones of this and previous columns. May 1967 bring success, promotion, pay increases, and the rowdiest, raunchiest, ever-lovin' reunion ever!

JAN
'43

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Bill Knowlton prepared most of this column before leaving for Vietnam. In the interest of including a most important item, not then

known to Bill, I am editing his copy somewhat.

Heartiest congratulations to the new Army brigadier generals! Elvy Roberts, Flywheel Flanagan, Bill Knowlton, Gray Wheelock, and Flip Fenili are the ones. More deserving and capable soldiers could not have been chosen. Incidentally, Bill received the Legion of Merit before departing for Saigon, and Elvy Roberts more than covered himself with glory before leaving the same city. More on that in the next column.

Ben Edwards, after leaving ICAF, started south and then got shifted west. His first combat tour in Vietnam was Tdy, and he flew F-105's. After that he went on PCS to Tan San Nhut where he was the director of out-of-country combat operations. After a trip to straighten RAND out, Ben, Jane Ann, and the two younger daughters are in England, where Ben will command the 20th Tactical Fighter Wing at RAF Wethersfield, Essex. Carol, the eldest, will stay at Colorado College where she has started. A recent PIO release advises that Ben was awarded a DFC for heroism as mission commander in Vietnam in June of last year. Congratulations, Ben.

Ben says that after he left Vietnam they upgraded two combat ops jobs to one star. Ben's place will be taken by Ed McGough. Tote Talbott will take the in-country ops job. Watch out for Jan '43; we are creeping into control slots. Bill Dolby was the civil engineer for the 7th Air Force, which means he built the badly needed strips, fields, etc. He has now come home. George Porter is another



Jan'43: Bill Knowlton receives the congratulations of former USMA Superintendent Lampert at Legion of Merit award ceremony in the office of the Secretary of Defense.

AF type out there, where he is in the business of advising the VNAF how to fly. Donny Griffen is reported back in his home climate of Hawaii, where he also is in the engineer business.

This year's plebe class at West Point contains three ducrots to replace the three sons who just graduated. Flip and Louise Fenili's son, John, is in the 2d New Cadet Co. at this writing. He ran up a fabulous record in football in the local area year before last and has been at Manlius for a year. Al Saari's boy is in the 1st New Cadet Co. He came in from the Army Reserve. The third young man is also in the 1st New Cadet Co., and thereby hangs a tale. On 29 June at 10:30 in the morning, Bill Knowlton's phone rang. A voice said, "Can your oldest son, a check for \$300, a Social Security card, and a pair of well broken in black shoes be at West Point in 48 hours to enter as a Plebe?" Within 48 hours, young Bill Knowlton had been yanked off a moving van (where he was making over

\$100 a week hauling stoves and freezers up five flights), thrown on an airplane, bedded down at Bob and Marilyn Beightler's spacious quarters overnight, and was last seen among 1,019 other doowillies entering the no-return portals. He was one of the last qualified alternates selected.

Larry Faust graduated and acquired a wife. His parents, Ed and Ginnie, have now moved down here where Ed is to labor in WSEG. This organization lives across from the Pentagon, and Pete Grimm used to pass his time there before going to Vietnam. John E. Van Duyn Jr., was the first class son to graduate from the Air Force Academy. This past June he was duly sworn in by his father; Rosemary says she did her best not to weep. The young man stood in the upper half of his Class, was a squadron commander, played lacrosse, and was an enthusiastic skier at nearby Aspen when he could get away. When last seen, he and his green MG were headed for flight training in Lubbock, Tex., by way of Florida and Mexico. Ah, me! To be a 2d Lieutenant with an MG.

The new plebe Class at USAFA has two class sons: R.H. Harrington and Pat Stoll. That wild blue Colorado yonder has a distinctly green and brown atmosphere, it seems. The young doowillies now learn all about guerrilla tactics and such, as well as the more sophisticated aspects of today's Air Force.

Kirby Gean was scheduled to retire on 31 Aug. Our flanker friend, who has been working on atomic things for years, was snapped up by the AEC near the Maryland house where Kirby and Jean live. Kirby starts off in a GS-15 slot as a special assistant. He was well known to the AEC people, and he looks forward to a new career with them. One more permanent member of the local chapter!

That's all for now. Tune in again next quarter and keep the poop coming. I'll write till I can con someone else into doing it.

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Col. Marvin E. Childs
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June of '43 wishes the new AOG Secy, Horace Brown '41, the best in his new job, and we're confident that our relationship will remain as good as it has been in the past with his predecessor, Hines.

We now have four of our classmates nominated for brigadier general in the Army. They are: Bernie Rogers, Bob Mathe, Bill Glasgow, and Al Burdett. Our warmest congratulations to them. They bring the grand total of general officers in the Class to 12. Pretty good for a bunch of youngsters!

Jess Fishback reports that some of the dope he gave me in his last letter has been overcome by events. This is the poop as he got it on 26 Aug. Jim Betts joins Dave Conard and Hal Parfitt in Panama where they will be with the Canal Company. Originally Jim was slated to go to France. "Dutch" Ingwersen got lucky and went to Thailand instead of Fort Leonard Wood. Apparently Jim Nash has orders to Headquarters PACOM to be stationed somewhere in the Pacific; only Jim and Admiral Sharp know where. Dave Chamberlain is now resident engineer in Vietnam for the Air Force. Frank Smith has left New England University for Naugatuck (whatever or wherever that is). Jess is now the only one in our Class with two ranks: he is a "Kentucky Colonel," having been appointed by the Governor of Kentucky.

Bill Harrold reports that after a short so-

journal in Hawaii, he and family are now headed for Okinawa. During his travel to the Far East, he ran into Tim and Fran Ireland at Travis. In his old job Jim also saw Craig Teller, who is with USAF Security Service in Turkey.

Ireland has written that Ernie Price is Director of Training at Travis; I will get around to answering Tim's letter shortly, I hope. Fred Herres has been appointed PMS at Norwich University, Northfield, Vt. He was recently Chief of International Logistics Branch, U.S. Army Headquarters, Europe, at Heidelberg.

As I previously promised, I will give you some Air Force statistics: Of the 215 commissioned Air Corps, there are now 102 active Air Force, 56 Air Force deceased, 17 civilians, and 40 retired. Of those still on active duty, 8 are generals, 68 are colonels, and 26 are lieutenant colonels.

The trays presented by the Class to graduates of the Service Academies this summer have received favorable comments, not only from the individuals who received them, but also from the parents involved. About all that is left is for us to wish them well in their new Service careers. Bob Sonsteli reports that Dick Stoddard and Clyde Earnest are with him at Fontainebleau. "Lemon" Blank and Wally Magathan have left Paris for their new jobs, leaving Rip Collins as the sole classmate left there. Knowing Rip, he is not only the key man in J3/EUCOM, but in all of Paris. Chris Munch is on a one-year sabbatical leave from the Air Force Academy and has been named Visiting Professor of Law for the University of Denver. We'll be glad to have you back at work at the Air Force Academy prior to next term.

The response to the cards I sent out has been gratifying. Following is some of the information shown on them, and I will try in future issues to work through the list now in and those that continue to come in. Any inaccuracies may be credited to the fact that some people didn't pass the handwriting course!

Col. Harold R. Aaron and his wife, Marianne, live at 7722 Kalorama Road, Annandale, Va. They have seven children: Penny, 21 (Indiana U.); Dennis, 17; Leslie, 13; Jacquelin, 9; Jeffrey, 6; Christine, 4; Mark, 2. He is assigned to the Office, Spec Asst for Counterinsurgency, OJCS, Washington, D.C.

Charles R. Abel is a civilian now, working for the Army Missile Test and Evaluation Directorate, White Sands Missile Range, N. Mex., as a missile engineer. He resides with his wife, Madge, and children: Charles, 16; Michael, 15; Michele, 15; Margaret, 14—at 3701 Hastings Drive, El Paso, Tex.

Lt. Col. George L. Alexander (on the list for full colonel) is en route to the Institute of Nuclear Studies at Fort Bliss, Tex. His wife, June, noted on the card that their sons, George Jr., 21, and Donald, 18, are both at U. of Maryland; George Jr., was married on 11 June 1966.

Col. Paul G. Atkinson Jr., USAF, is Commander, Aerospace Research Laboratories (OAR), at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, where he is residing with his wife, Rinda, and children: Hope, 19 (Dickinson); Dale, 10; Jenny, 8; P.G. III, 6; and John, 4.

Lt. Col. Frank P. Ball, USAF Ret, lives with his wife, Dorothy, at 808 Mill St., San Bernardino, Calif. He is district manager, General Precision, Inc. Their children are: Chris, 22 (graduated from Cal Poly); Cathy, 20 (attending Lawton L.A.); and Dale, 9.

Lt. Col. Jock Barickman is Chief, Office of Civic Action, Hq U.S. Army, Vietnam (APO San Francisco, 96307). His wife, Terry,

indicates that after October, he will be PMS at Siena College, Loudonville, N.Y. Children: Barbara, 18 (student at Middlebury College, Vt.); Mimi, 14; John, 13; and Jake, 9.

John C. and Wanda Bell are located at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. He is a member of the Student Detachment, U.S. Army War College. Their children: John C. Jr., 18 (sophomore at M.I.T.); James, 17 (freshman at Georgia Tech); and Patricia E., 12.

Col. Charles E. Benson is a student at the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa. His wife Betty and the children: Carolyn, 21 (senior at Dumbarton College, Washington, D.C.) and Elaine, 15, are remaining in Annandale, Va., at 3721 Lockwood Lane while he commutes to and from Carlisle on weekends.

Mr. Raymond Blatt writes that he is a high school math teacher. He and his wife Barbara live in Healdsburg, Calif. (P.O. Box 247). Their children are: Valerie, 22 (now Mrs. Duncan); Michael, 21 (junior at University of Pacific); Stevan, 18, who is a Marine. They are proud grandparents of one-year-old Andrew Duncan.

Col. L.E. "Ed" Blount and his wife Betty live at 4921 Seminary Road (Apt. 1604), Alexandria, Va. He is on duty with the deputy chief, USA Nuclear Weapons Surety Group, Fort Belvoir, Va. Their daughter Sandra, 22, is now married and the mother of Betsy Ellen Coyle (1 year).

Col. Quellen D. Boller is the Asst Exec, DCSUTR, Hq USCONARC. He and his wife Barbara reside at 130 Ingals Road, Fort Monroe, Va. Their children: Pamela, 21, Quellen Jr., 18, Douglas, 16, and Barbara, 15. Pamela is attending Madison College, Harrisonburg, Va.

Col. Alexander R. Bolling Jr., his wife Frances, and children (Kathryn, 19, and Alexander III, 17½) live at 1005 North Rochester St., Arlington, Va. He is deputy secretary of the General Staff, Office Chief of Staff, DA, Washington, D.C. Kathy is a sophomore at Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Lt. Col. Garland C. Black is retired from the Army now, living with his wife Marjorie Barbara and children (Cary 3d, 21; Nancy, 18; Pat, 14; Jim, 12) at 7620 Dunston St., North Springfield, Va., 22151. He is working for North American Aviation, Inc., as a research specialist.

Ernest F. Boruski Jr., is also a civilian, working as systems project leader for J.E. Seagram & Sons, Inc., on Park Avenue in N.Y. He and his wife Zoetsa Joyce reside at 290 Riverside Drive, New York, 10025.

Col. James A. Bower and his wife Irma are living in Hawaii. He is assigned to PACAF Headquarters as the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Civil Engineering. Their son, James A. Jr., is attending Western State College.

A. John Bowley lists himself as "Colonel," but we all know he is soon to be a general. He was recently assigned to the 40th Air Division, Wurtsmith AFB, Mich.; he and his wife Marjorie are living at 9210 Rhode Island Circle on the base. Their daughter, Robin, 18, is attending Briar Cliff College, New York; and son, John, 15, is at home with them.

Maj. Freeman W. Bowley Jr., Ret, and his wife Mary Anderson (Sally), list their address as P.O. Box 3, Durham, N.H., 03824. Their children are: Ann, 19 (student at University of New Hampshire); Freeman III, 18 (attending George Williams College); and Tom, 14.

Lt. Col. William H. Brabson Jr., Ret, and wife Martha live at 1207 West Redbird Lane, Dallas, Tex. He is manager of Advanced Aircraft Requirements for LTV. Their chil-

dren are: Bill III, who is 19 and attending Arlington State University, Tex.; and John, who is 11.

Col. Roland A. Brandt shows his address as MACV-DC, but has a notation that he is due to return from Vietnam early in August. After some leave, he has an interim assignment at Fort Campbell, Ky. from Sept to Dec 66; he then goes to London to the British War College, USAF-RAF Exchange Program, Box 30, FPO, N.Y., 09510. His wife is Janet, and his children are: Debbie, 13, and Carol, 4.

Col. John K. Brier and wife Ginny live at 6842 Todd Street, Fort Hood, Tex., 76544. He is CO, Support Command, 2d Armored Division, at Fort Hood. Their children are: Jim, 18 (attending Blinn College, Brenham, Tex.); Julie, 16; Steve, 19; and Tandy, 12. He notes that Tandy is his third son; his full name is Tandy Lewis Brier—the Lewis is in honor of his West Point wife, Lew Webster, who was killed in action in the Korean conflict.

Col. William P. Brierty and Margaret, his wife, are living at 5695 Blythe Ave., Highland, Calif., 92346, with their children: Michael, 16; Steven, 13; Peter, 11; and Bart, 6. He is working as the deputy Inspector General for Inspection and Safety, Norton AFB.

Lt. Col. H.C. (Gus) Brill, Ret, and wife Lynn list their address as c/o EG&G, P.O. Box 1912, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89101. Their children are: Kenneth, 18; Bruce, 16; Gary, 14; Janet, 12; Diane, 10, and Douglas, 5. Kenneth is attending the University of Nevada at Reno. Gus comments that he is "happy as department manager in this specialty electronics firm."

Lt. Col. George G. Bugg is with DIA. He and wife Jane along with their children, Gordon, 9; Gregory, 7; and Gigi, 4, live at 6211 Apache St., Springfield, Va. 22150.

Lt. Col. Robert E. Burrows retired on 31 July 1966 and provides a temporary address of 366 Chase, Walla Walla, Wash. He comments that he will study for one year at Oregon State University to prepare for teaching civil engineering. He, his wife Sara Jane, and children, Sheryl Jean, 13; Patrick, 8; Kevin, 4; and Richard, 2, were en route to the above address when he wrote the card. They plan to reside in or near Corvallis, Oregon, at the start of the school year in Sept 66.

Col. Ernest A. Buzalski and his wife Jane and daughter, Anne (8), are living in the Washington area. He is USA Elm OSD, (OSD/I&L), staff representative, Base Utilization Division, Pentagon. He comments that he was transferred to OSD on 25 July 1966; formerly on DA staff, ODCSLOG.

Joseph F. Boyle is author-instructor, Dept Division Operations, USA C&GSC. He and wife, Catherine (Kay), live at 24 Summer Place, Fort Leavenworth, with their family: Mary, 22; Alice, 20; Cathy, 18; Marg, 17; Joe, 15; Patricia, 14; Francis, 12; John, 11; Jim, 9; Jeanne, 7; Eileen, 5; Dorothy and Theresa, 4. He notes that Mary graduated from Sacred Heart College, Wichita; and will be married 25 Nov 66. Alice is at Mount St. Scholastica College, Atchison, Kan.; Cathy at Ursuline College, Louisville, Ky.; Marge at Mount Mercy College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa—she received the Army Daughters Scholarship, Fort Leavenworth, and a \$1,200 scholarship from Mount Mercy.

Professor G.T. Campbell Jr., Lt. Col., Ret and his wife Olivia are living in San Francisco; he is with the Department of English, University of San Francisco. His children are: Mrs. A.W. Berkman Jr., 22; Mrs. J.E. Bergeron, 20; Mrs. E.J. Carberry Jr., 18;

G.T. 3d, 14; Catherine, 10; and Charles, 7. They have two grandsons, Billy Berkman, 2, and Eddie Carberry, 9 months.

Col. George G. Cantlay, and wife, Billie, along with children: Jed, 19 (USMA '69); Dave, 15; and Carolyn, 8, list their address as 7002 Girard St., McLean, Va. He is assigned to OCOFS, Army, the Pentagon, and notes on his card that he returned in July 66 from tour as brigade commander in the 2d Inf Div in Korea.

Brig. Gen. Charles W. (Kit) Carson Jr., and his wife Mary Jane (Penny) are located at Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C., where he is serving as commander of the 833d Air Division. Their children are: Deborah, 17 (University of Oklahoma student); Mary Jane, 15; and Althea, 15.

H.R. Carter Jr., Ret, wife, Elizabeth (Lib), and children, Edgar C., 17; Ellie, 13; and Nancy, 3, are living in Monroe, La.—address is Route 3, Box 77. Their oldest son, Hamlet III, 22, is a senior at Northeast Louisiana State College, Monroe, La. Ham writes that he retired on 31 Aug 1965 and is teaching management subjects as an assistant professor at Northeast Louisiana State College.

Col. David M. Chase writes that he and his family, wife Jean, and children Mark, 13 and Charles, 11, are located in Naples, Italy. He is the legal advisor, Allied Forces Southern Europe, with an address: Hq AFSOUTH, Box 130, FPO N.Y. 09521.

Lt. Col. James V. Christy, USA, Ret, and wife Marge, are living at 417 Oriole Street, Staunton, Va., with their children: Jim, 17; Jack, 13; and Carol, 7. He is now Commandant, Augusta Military Academy, Fort Defiance, Va.

Will continue next issue as time and space permits!

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Lt. Col. Howard W. Richards
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By the time this issue is in the mail you should have received a letter from Scotty (W.S. Scott) on the class commemorative project. We are most enthusiastic about it, and we hope and trust it will receive full support from you all as a fitting gift from our Class to the Military Academy. The gift will be a large mural depicting D-Day from the "D-Day Class" and will be placed in the new library. The executive council is asking for \$15 (minimum) from each of the Class to defray the cost of the mural so that we will not have to use the existing class fund. Since this is the first time the Class has been requested to contribute to a class project, we are counting on strong financial support. Scotty's letter will give you the details. Incidentally, the class fund is being used to send flowers in the name of the Class to the funerals of classmates, their wives, or their dependent children. We hope we haven't overlooked anyone; please contact a member of the Class in the Washington area if flowers are required so he can pass the word to the commemorative committee.

The Army has been passing out silver eagles like crazy the last few months. As of about 6 Sept the following (all on the current list) have received the "birds": W.C. Harper, Irvine, Art Marshall, T. Moore, Conant, Grant, Moulis, Cabell, Scoggin, Cooch, Cyr, Douglas, Weathers, Sullivan, Sciolla, Humma, Carter, Pearce, Burr, LaMarre, Millington, Parks, Deeter, C.S. Johnson, Jack Peterson, Patton, Spalding, Erlenkotter, Pappas, Callahan, Richards, Pitts,

Losch, F. Moore, Mitchell, Neilond, Vitullo, and Wear.

There has been much movement to report since the last issue: Silver and Tarpley to Vietnam from Hawaii; both families remaining in Hawaii. Tom has the 2d Bde, 25th Div. Jim Connell, last reported headed for Vietnam, ended up at Fort Lewis commanding the 3d Bde at the Training Center. Also at Fort Lewis is Joe Cutrona as CO of 4th Divarty. Frank Moore has checked in at AEC Hq in Germantown. Ray Dunn left the area for Paris to be OIC of USAF activities in France. Doug Harris was in Washington for 30 days Tdy to work on a mobility study. John Calhoun was also working on a mobility study as a personal rep of Gen. Shriever. Frank McElvey has departed Andrews AFB. Frank Greenhill left for Thailand to be DCO of a C-130 wing. Greenhill's family will remain here. Bill Bell is retiring. Doug Kinnard in J3 Saigon from AWC. Pappas stayed on at Carlisle—Staff and Faculty. Willie Burr back in the squirrel cage from Carlisle; also, Buzzett and Cyr on the Army Staff.

The new class at Carlisle includes Frank Moon, Pat Neilond, Bob Pearce, and Corbie Truman. Tom McGuire wrangled an inter-theatre transfer from Vietnam to Germany. Understand Howie Metzler is in a state of shock after reporting in to DASA, Pentagon. Welcome back!

J.T. Moore recently checked in to Plans, Air Staff. Dusty Rivers left the Air Staff to go to the Center of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins. O.T. Reeves recently arrived in the Washington area—working with IDA. Jack Pollin at the U. of Arizona working on a Master's. Al Weston moved from the Chicago area to Texas. McKeever to Fort Knox to command the OCS Bde.

Rod Lindell from AWC to Europe—V Corps Arty. Marshall from AWC to USAR—EUR—Engr Elm. Bob Murphy from AWC to Vietnam. Steff is at 3 Loma Vista, Vallejo, Calif. Selton from AWC to Europe—3d Bn, 36th Inf. Ware from AWC to Vietnam, G1 Hq USAFV. Mary Louise is at 789 Hamilton Court, Carlisle, Pa.

The newest class sons at USMA: Aldrich, Hennessey, Marshall, Todd, Wessels, and Young.

It has been reported to me that the Frank Merritts and the C.S. Johnsons have new daughters—everyone doing fine. Johnny Johnson was recently awarded the AF Commendation Medal at Stewart AFB. Ed Gregory was recently named manager of the newly created Market Information and Analysis Operation of GE's Flight Propulsion Division. Jim Giles is materials director of the firm he is with in Houston, Tex.

George Pappas requests the following be passed to all: Copies of the 20-year book were mailed from Carlisle by Burr and Pappas in Feb 66. Anyone who has not received his copy should contact Fred Black, 208 Waterway Dr., Falls Church, Va. Fred is handling the few remaining extra copies on a first-come-first-served basis. Fred will take your \$10 and send you one if he has any left.

Dave Zillmer was in Washington recently job hunting; he was concentrating in the N.Y. and Washington areas. Request the newly arrived or those departing the Washington area give Fred Black a call, CL 6-6329 (home) or FL 4-3400 x 504 (office). Also, the AOG would like to have a change of address card including ZIP code when you move.

Received notes this time from Jim Connell, George Pappas, and Jim Giles, and a call from Dave Zillmer. Many thanks for keeping me posted.

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Lt. Col. George L. Withey Jr.
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Tom Gleason sent a very newsy letter which just missed the last column so he bats lead-off in this one. He retired 31 Aug, with his last assignment being in Ottawa with the U.S. Army Standardization Group. Tom didn't sit around idle for long as he started a new career on 1 Sept at the J.F. Kennedy Space Center, where Ray Clark is a deputy director of technical support. Bud Mallory is there also with RCA, and H.L. Cummings is with the National Range Division. Tom reports that Dick McConnell is presently in Vietnam commanding the 159th Engineer Group and that Dave Thomas, who was also at Ottawa with Tom and Dick, is now at Fort Sill pushing a missile training battalion. We are all invited to visit the Gleasons in Florida, so if you are looking for a relatively inexpensive winter vacation this year...

The Distaff Side

Kathleen Clymer writes that Dave commands the 79th Engineer Group in Vietnam and that she and the kids will be in Arlington, Va., while he is gone. She also says George Bush and Walt Geline are slated to command engineer groups in Vietnam presently. Incidentally, my apologies to Jim Brownell for not including his name with the below-the-zoners in a recent issue. Thanks very much for your contribution, Kathleen.

As noted previously, Bill and Martha McMurray have been assigned to the Seventh Fleet. At any rate, Bill is seeing the sea, for as Martha describes it, "he is floating around Yankee Station with the Admiral of the Seventh Fleet." Martha whiles away the hours among the Navy folks in Yokohama and would love to hear from any of us "passing through." Their address is: Box 507, U.S. Navy Housing Activity, FPO San Francisco 96661. Worthy of mention is the fact that Bill received the Legion of Merit before he went to sea for the outstanding job he did in the Pentagon in developing the legislative proposal which eventually resulted in doubling the strength of the Corps.

From the Gung Ho Group

Arch Arnold must have decided that life was becoming too mundane, so he volunteered for jump school this past summer, got in terrific shape, fell out of the plane the required number of times, and now proudly wears the wings on his chest (and elsewhere?). He visited the Hinmans in



1945: George Dexter is congratulated by Brig. Gen. Frederick J. Hughes Jr., commander of William Beaumont General Hospital, after George received the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart.



1945: The group at Carlisle Barracks in August. **Above** (left to right): Orv Post, Fran Post, Dorothy Root, Walt Root, Amy Truby, Ed Saxby, Shirl Saxby, Tom Longino, Joan Kane, Bob Krebs, Janis Krebs, Cliff White, Phyl White, Art Ringler, Dot Ringler, Jack Truby, Gloria Longino, Don Fowler, Betty Fowler, Frank LaBoon, Bonnie LaBoon, Rocky Rochefort, Pat Rochefort. **Below**: Dick Gorder, El Denz, Ernie Denz, Marilyn Day, Steve Day, Jane Dietsche, Ray Dietsche, Pat Crane, Dick Crane, Nancy Briscoe, Jerry Briscoe, Mary Jane McMurdo, Mick McMurdo, Jane Ingham, Jim Ingham, Barbara Arnold, Al Neville, Arch Arnold, Sugar Hayden, Buster Hayden, Joy Jones, George Jones. **Kneeling**: Vern Pinkey, Bill Boiler, Melba Boiler, Annette Pinkey, Johnnie Neville. **Not present for photo**: Mary Gorder, George Dexter, Katy Dexter, Charlie Greer, Betty Greer.



Columbus, Ga., and also saw the Longinos. Tom was just back from Vietnam.

Another note from Louie O'Hara reports that Jim Edwards won the annual Rumstick Point-Bristol Beach swimming race near Warren, R.I., for the tenth time recently. Since the mile-and-a-half race has been a local attraction for only 12 years, Jim should be retiring the trophy before long. (Note for Glynn, Truby, and McBride: J.K.'s time was almost 4½ minutes off the record, so he must be slowing down.)

The Memorial Fund

The fund has made its first scholarship loan, which was for \$500, interest free, to be repaid at the rate of approximately \$25 per month when the recipient graduates from college. Remember that the Scholarship Fund is not restricted to brainy youngsters, but seeks to assist those who have a "relative"

financial need. Any type of education, to include that for the physically or mentally handicapped, is appropriate for consideration. For further information please contact Bill Taylor, 3907 Woodley Drive, Alexandria, Va. 22309.

Annual Elections

As the result of elections held in June, George Benson is our new Class president, Dick West is treasurer, and Pete Spragins is a member of the board of governors. Jim Holcomb, the class secretary, retired effective 1 Aug and has moved to California where he is with Lockheed. Thanks for a fine job, Jim, and the best to you and Ann. Jim Morris has kindly volunteered to fill the vacancy. The DC Chapter also elected new officers: Larry Jones, Kenny Blood, Walt Galligan, and Jim Alfante have been elected chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer, and sec-

retary respectively. Bill Lilley was recently named to replace Lucian Truscott on the class memorial fund board.

Briefly Noted

Al Jones recently received an OLC to the Army Commendation Medal for his performance of duty as project officer and deputy chief of the Materiel Division of the Combined Arms Group at Fort Leavenworth. Likewise, Jim Heyman received his third OLC to the same medal for meritorious service from July 64 to May 66 as CO, 86th Engr Bn, Fort Dix. Incidentally, Colin Carter is taking this outfit to Vietnam. Fran and the kids will wait for him in Alexandria, Va. Keith Nusbaum is CO 1st Bn, 84th Arty, 9th Inf Div, at Fort Riley. Scott Adler retired and joined the General Instruments Corp as Director of the Systems Services Division. His base will be in Hicksville, Long Island, with a branch office in D.C. Also, Bill Cox has joined Walston and Co., a large security and investment firm in New York, as a VP. None of this "working up" for Bill!

Buzz Stebbins advises that he is "back in the cockpit again," flying C-141's for MAC out of Dover, Del. Jim Herbert finally leaves the Pacific area and goes to the 101st Abn Div at Fort Campbell upon his return from Vietnam, and Bob Reese is Director of Public Relations and Development at St. Rita's Hospital in Lima, Ohio.

Ken Warner is assigned to TAC at Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C. Stu Stabley recently was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for the job he did as a plans and programs officer in Thailand. He is now at PACAF, Hickam.

Bob Trimble, Hal Fitzpatrick, George Berger, Don Bissell, and Ken Russell all graduated from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces this past June; Tony Parrish, Archie Patterson, and Tom Curtis completed the Army War College unscathed. Bob Loudermilk is a senior applications engineer for Northrop in Needham, Mass.

Kinch Bailey retired on 1 Sept; Bill Daugherty made the same move a month earlier. Ralph Kristoferson is with II Field Forces in Vietnam, and Bob Waddington heads in that direction in December. Al Sheppard goes to Saudi Arabia soon, and Jack Truby was a late "add-on" at the Army War College. Jack Boettcher, just back from Korea, "moved to the sound of the guns" and has left for Vietnam. See you at THE game!

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Mr. Samuel E.H. France
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There are less than three weeks, as I write this article, before the official celebration of our Big 20th at West Point. The Editor wants to get this issue out before the Navy game, so news of the 20th will have to wait for the Winter issue. However, as of now there are at least 150 classmates scheduled to be there. I'll give you all the poop in the next issue.

On 30 June 66 George Devens retired from active duty to accept the position of Deputy Commandant of Cadets, Norwich University, Northfield, Vt. His last assignment was that of Deputy CO, Engineer Officer Candidate Regiment, Fort Belvoir. He, Mary, and their eight children will reside at 3 Winter St., Northfield, Vt. 05663. They have six boys and two girls. Best of luck, Bud, in your new job!

Bob Storm is back from a one-year tour in Vietnam. While there he received the Bronze Star with "V" and oak leaf cluster, Air Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry (two

awards), Vietnamese Chuong My Medal, and Combat Infantryman's Badge. Before his tour there Bob was at Hq, ARADCOM in Colorado Springs, Colo. While with the Hq he received an oak leaf cluster to the Army Commendation Medal. His new assignment is with J3, NORAD, also at Colorado Springs. Patricia and their two sons stayed there during Bob's tour, so at least they have not had to move lately. The Storms had 45 days of leave which should have ended in late September.

A new promotion for Moose Musser finds him and his family moving to 6540 Aldery Way, Birmingham, Mich. He is now general sales manager for Bendix Industrial Controls Division. He and Janet have four children: Alan, 14; Lynn, 12; Glen, 9; and Dick, 7.

After two years in the Canal Zone, Lee Parmly is headed for the 5th Special Forces in Vietnam. Marie and the children will be at 1008 NW, 34th Terrace, Gainesville, Fla. 32601 for the duration of his tour. Marie and their son, Mike, received American Red Cross badges for completing a 50-mile swim in six weeks. During his travels in South America, Lee saw Al Wedemeyer, P.J. Barthol, and Dave Barnett in Caracas; Charlie Ruggiero in Buenos Aires; Sully Johnson in Quito; and visiting Panama from the States, Tom Constant, Jerry Collins, Brick Bentz, and Clair Book. Stationed in the Canal Zone were: Zeke Jordan, Corley Boake, Dick Pohl, Jack Montague, Tom Agnor, Dan Leininger, and H.H. Woods. Pohl left in '65; Agnor, Leininger, and Parmly left this summer. Montague is with the School of the Americas; Woods assumed command of the 4th Missile Battalion (HAWK-AW), 517th Artillery, last summer (1966); Agnor is in Detroit; and Leininger is in Korea. Dan's family is staying in Jacksonville, Fla., during his tour.

During Parmly's stay in the Canal Zone he was aide to Gen. O'Meara (replacing Dick Pohl) for 7 months, and for 16 months he was J3 training officer in USSOUTHCOM. He received the Joint Service Commendation Medal for the two years. Lee also saw Tacho Somoza on several occasions such as Founders Day dinners, Conference of Latin American Army Commanders, and maneuvers.

Observed taking the Pass-In-Review at their retirement parade in July were: Walt Frankland, Al Futrell, Sully Johnson, and Bob Steele. They had no regrets. I wish them well "out here."

At the Army War College this year are the following: Dick and Ruth Wildrick, Ed and Patricia Weber, Ken and Virginia VanAuken, Bob and Pat Tully, John and Connie Sterling, Dave and Gloria Smith, Bob and Tuk Shoemaker, John and Barbara Pitts, Jere and Peggy Whittington, Tom and Martha McMinn, Bob and Betty Malley, Bob and Janet Hamilton, Beano and Mary Hadley, Danny and Ruth Graham, Jim and Norma Fuller, Walt and Katherine Dumas, Hal and Shirley deMoya, Dick and Margaret Day, Bob and Jennie Burke, Lee and Barbara Brown. All of the above attended a Saturday night party given by Jack and Pat Hoefling who are starting their second year at the College. Jack is on the faculty. Pat is president of the Carlisle Barracks Women's Club. Joe Jansen, who couldn't make the party, is also at Carlisle. Geographic widows also in attendance at the party were: Jane Williams—B.B. should now be back from Korea and assigned to Carlisle; Jo Barlow—Ken is in Korea; Mary Simpson—Bill is in Vietnam; Ann Gilham—Jack is in Vietnam. By the way, both Joe Jansen and Dave Smith are wearing eagles!

Foster Cowey sent me three clippings from the 13 July 66 issue of *Army Times* cover-

ing activities of three classmates. Cowey is sales manager, Surface Armament Programs, Missile and Armament Department, General Electric Co., Lakeside Ave., Burlington, Vt. 05402. At Fort Sill, Okla., the command of the 1st Bn, 40th Arty changed hands. New CO is Bob Lenzner; the outgoing CO is Bill Stroud.

The 4th Bn, 9th Inf, 25th Inf Div, commanded by Shep Booth, pulled a neat ambush recently in Vietnam. His recon platoon stayed behind in their recently evacuated base area to lay in wait for the Viet Cong they knew would come in search of loot. Sure enough, the Viet Cong arrived, after first firing into the area to test for the presence of any of Shep's troops. The men remained hidden, did not return the fire, and the Cong walked into the hornets' nest.

Three events made June 1966 a memorable month for DeBow Freed. He was named a Distinguished Graduate of the Air University's Air War College at Maxwell AFB, was awarded a Ph.D. in nuclear engineering by the University of New Mexico, and he received orders assigning him to Vietnam in July. His Ph.D. work was an off-duty endeavor, except for two semesters of residence completed under the Army's degree completion program. His wife, Catherine, and son, DeBow III, aged 13, are staying at their home in Montgomery, 2033 Myrtlewood Drive. Mrs. Freed is a member of the faculty of Huntingdon College in Montgomery.

Received some interesting news from the Yanceys. Bill III resigned from USMA after the first semester of plebe year. He was on the Dean's list. He transferred to George Mason College which is operated under U. of Va. control. He made the Dean's list there, too. He has been elected sophomore representative of his class. In his junior year he will transfer to U. of Va. and work for an engineering degree. Ken and Dee Tallman and the Bob Lowrys have joined the Yanceys in the D.C. area. Both men will attend NWC at Fort McNair. Ken came back from a year in Vietnam as General Westmoreland's military assistant. Col. Jim Paschall's daughter, Claire, who graduated from Annandale H.S., Fairfax County, Va., this past June, traveled to Chicago in July as Virginia's girl candidate in the 1966 World Teenage Show where \$10,000 in scholarships were awarded. I have no idea about how Claire made out. She plans to attend Duke this fall. The Paschalls live at 7312 Chatham St., Springfield, Va.

Gene Deatrick, who had his picture in *Life* this past week, was responsible for the rescue of Navy pilot Dieter Dengler. Dengler had escaped from Communist imprisonment some six months after his plane crashed into enemy territory. Gene flies the A-1 Skyraider and is in command of the 1st Air Commando Squadron at Pleiku. While on a recon mission just north of the 17th parallel, Gene spotted what looked like someone waving a white flag near a bed of rocks across a stream in a deep valley. He made two more passes and decided the person was friendly, so he called in Air Rescue. The "Jolly Green Giant" then took over, and a successful rescue mission was completed.

Governor Warren Hearnes of Missouri was chosen this September as state co-chairman of the Ozarks Regional Commission, created to outline plans for economic development of a 125 county area of Oklahoma, Missouri, and Arkansas. Hearnes announced that the commission's regional headquarters would be established in Arkansas, but that the monthly meetings would be held in Washington.

The president of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots and former chief of flight test operations for the Los Angeles division

of North American Aviation, Zeke Hopkins, has joined the Beta-200 helicopter program at Filper Research, P.O. Box 198, Old Crow Canyon Rd., San Ramon, Calif. 94583. As Beta-200 director of operations, Hopkins will oversee Federal Aviation Agency certification trials of the radically new helicopter, recently unveiled after a year of secrecy-shrouded development.

Previously noted in this column is the fact that Walt Frankland retired. Since his retirement he has been appointed executive secretary for the Silver Users Association, 1625 Eye Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20006. The group is composed of producers of materials using silver and acts to have silver recognized as a commodity and to insure the free flow of the white metal in commerce. Before his retirement Walt was chief of the Army's News Branch. He has a master's degree in journalism from the U. of Florida, and is a member of the Public Relations Society of America and Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society.

Ken Chapman, John Schmitt, and Jim Chatfield all graduated last June from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Fort Lesley J. McNair. Max Minor and Andy Atkinson have entered the College this fall. Chapman and Schmitt are wearing eagles. Don Hackney graduated from the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks this past summer. Gene Sharkoff was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal at Wright-Patterson AFB during his retirement ceremony. The award was for meritorious service as a physics professor at the base. Gene received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in 1953 at M.I.T.

Cornelius McMillan is chief of the Operations Intelligence Branch with NATO's 6th Allied Tactical Air Force in Izmir, Turkey. He and Sue have two children. Rocco Petrone, who retired last June, has been designated Kennedy Space Center's Director of Launch Operations, with overall responsibility for the Center's NASA launches. Rocco had been manager of the APOLLO program. Actually, his last eight years of active duty were with the NASA launch group.

The Assistant Deputy Commander for Operations of the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing, stationed at Bentwaters RAF Station, England, is Louie Creveling. They fly the F-4C Phantom II, and last June Lou headed the select aircrews which flew the Phantoms in the NATO International Tactical Weapons Meet held at Chaumont, France. His wing was the first in Europe to convert to the \$1.7 million Phantom. Previously he was an instructor at the Air Command and Staff College, Warfare Systems School, Maxwell AFB.

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By the time you see this in print, you will have received and, I hope, answered Bill Reckmeyer's flyer concerning our 20th Reunion. All of us here in Washington are hopeful that a large turnout is in the offing for June Week 1967. In mailing the letters, we found that neither we nor the AOG had reasonably current address information on over 20 classmates. I will list them in the hope that some of you will know where they are and will get the word to them. They are: Brannon, Christensen, Dicker, Draper, Grant, Gregorie, Grossman, Knauss, Krause, Kremser, Lane, McDougell, McKnight, Newcomb, Perry, Piepenbrink, Reese, Sapowith, Short, Staszak, Tucker, and White. Better late than never, so if you know of the where-



1947: George Dell (right) is sworn in as judge of the Superior Court, Los Angeles, California, by presiding judge, Lloyd S. Nix.

abouts of any of the above, please get in touch with them or with me.

Turning to the mailbag, the Hoovers sent a newsy note from the Waikiki Royal. John and Jo had an outstanding (?) trip from Washington to the West Coast, during which they stopped at practically every Service hospital en route, not to mention a trip to Tripler upon arriving in Hawaii. It seems the kids took turns with fevers and sore throats. On the lighter side, Jo reported that the bikinis in Hawaii are just great. (She knew I'd be interested!)

John apparently made the rounds, too. He ran into Bob Koch and Wally Griffith in CINCPAC J2, Jim Egger in J3, Meade Wildrick and Dick Steinborn in J4, and Mark Kinevan out at Hickam AFB where he is PACAF JAG. John also writes that Jim Edington is retiring in Hawaii and will work in the high school ROTC program there. Wayne Hauck is on his way to Vietnam to command a maintenance battalion while Dottie and the kids will stay in Hawaii. Finally, John says that Jim Mattern has checked in at Schofield.

Barbara and Frank Boerger have moved from Omaha to San Francisco with Frank assigned to the Engineer District there. Barbara writes that their daughter Sue won a National Merit Scholarship and will attend the U. of South Dakota this fall. Congratulations to Sue on her fine accomplishment—she must have some of her daddy's "smarts."

Bernie Abrams writes from Atlanta that Alan Gould has just completed a term as national president of the National Association of Store Fixture Manufacturers—an honor, indeed. Alan has four children ranging from 1(!) to 16, plus a wife, a horse, and a dog. What—no moustache? Not to be outdone by Alan, Bernie has been elected president for the 3d Region, Assn of the U.S. Army. As such he expects to visit a lot of Army posts in the southeastern part of the country, so be on the lookout for him.

Bill and Mary Mahlum have pulled up stakes again—this time landing in Locust Valley (Long Island). Looks like they picked a good time to move close to West Point what with the 20th coming up this June. Mary writes that the kids keep growing older, with their Sue graduating from high school and heading for college in Chambersburg in the fall. Bill is also growing—"bigger and balder," says his better half.

Locally, let's see what I can dredge up. In addition to Jim Edington, I have received word on 4 other retirements: Bob Fahs, Willy Knipe, Bill Sullivan, and Don Steinger. We have many new faces in Washington, including: Doc Blanchard at NWC,

Bill Coghill in the Chief's office, and Jack Faith at NWC. Jack and I played some tennis the other day, and I was soundly trounced. Jack's boys are now as big or bigger than he is, but I doubt if they could be any meaner at tennis. Johnny, the oldest of the Faith brood, is off to college in Texas this fall.

Also new in Washington are: Ed Greene with IBM, Kenny Hatch at CDC, Ben Hollander with the JAG, Jim Johnson in OACSFOR, Harry Kain with DSA, KC Kaericher on the Air Staff (Plans), and John Kennedy with OACSI. In a Pentagon ceremony, John was awarded the Legion of Merit by General Davis for meritorious service in Alaska.

Mel LeBlanc is with Hq, MDW; John Mock is in OSD (ARPA) along with Kermit Reel (Public Affairs); Lou Rachmeler is in OCRD; Ed Robertson is on the Air Staff (appropriately enough, with eagles); Howie Sargent is at ICAF; Hal Tavzel is with ODCSOPS; and Jack Young is with AF TAC. If I have missed someone, I can only say, "Sorry about that!"

The AOG sent in a couple of news releases. Cecil Fox was recently assigned to the staff at USAFA, and Jim Enos was awarded the AF Commendation Medal at Langley Field for meritorious service at Hq, TAC. That's the 3d such award for Jim who is now attending the Air War College.

The Editor has informed all of the Scribes that he intends to have this issue out before the ARMY-Navy game, so I'll throw in a hopeful BEAT NAVY! Meanwhile, we plan to visit Tuck during Homecoming Weekend and renew acquaintances both with him and with those classmates who also make the trip. One last reminder... if you run into anyone who does not have the word on our reunion plans, poop him up. Let's make our 20th a good one!

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To start off, a word about our new address would be in order. The place name may be familiar to you since it has been written up in *Life*, *Look*, *Business Week*, and several other magazines. It is one of the "new towns" being created around the world. Two statements are invariably made to us when we mention where we have moved: "You have to be pretty wealthy to live there (we aren't)," and "You must be one of the intelligentsia to live there (if so, it doesn't show)." Anyway, we have a town house, and with no yard or garden worries, we are very happy. Come and see for yourself.

No sooner had we moved here when I learned that Barbara and Pierce Gaver had purchased a separate house in Reston at 2601 Steeple Chase Drive. Pierce has been assigned to Washington for a 2- or 3-year stay by his boss, Stanford Research Institute. They have four boys and a girl now, as I recall. Beji and Bob Ward had their orders changed from Leavenworth to Washington. Their address is 1104 Priscilla Lane, Alexandria, Va.

Another error I hasten to correct is that Greta and Bob Mathis are here at ICAF after all. It was *last* year that he had a postponement. From the looks of things, there will be yet another Mathis before too long. On the concourse at the Pentagon recently I ran into Carl Anderson. He has returned to this area after one year away at the Air War College. Pretty expensive way to do business: two moves in a year. Anyway, he

and Wanda are now at 3758 North 30th Road, Arlington, Va., 22207.

Another couple that has been gone an even shorter period (January to August) are Sally and Jim Macklin. After 6 months at Leavenworth, Jim is now SJA for the Army Materiel Command. They bought for the first time in their lives at 1205 Falster Road, Alexandria, Va. While John Egbert is off in Vietnam, Sandy and the children have moved to Apt. 102, 2163 Evans Ct., Falls Church, 22043. They, like we, had a landlord who wanted to occupy his house again.

The Class continues to gather decorations: Rees Jones received the Commendation Medal from Brig. Gen. R.C. Taber at Leavenworth for meritorious service as an author-instructor at the school, and Ben Eakins received his third from Brig. Gen. P.T. Cooper for meritorious achievement as chief of the research and development contracts division at the Aerospace Medical Division, Brooks AFB, Tex. Also, at a ceremony in Under-Secretary of the AF Paul's office recently, Bob Pomeroy was presented with a CM for meritorious service in his assignment prior to moving to the staff of Mr. Paul. Lastly, Irv Schoenberg received the Legion of Merit, presented by Mr. Paul, for his work on the staffs of former Secretary Zuckert and Under-Secretary Paul. Very heartiest congratulations to you all, men.

Ken Barber has been reassigned to Hq, Air Training Command, Randolph AFB, Tex., after finishing the Army War College. Babs and John Wadsworth have been sent to Europe from Devens. John's father died while visiting them before they left Massachusetts. The entire Class extends its condolences to the family.

Lew Chandler sent me a change of address card from 735 Mason St., San Francisco, Calif., 94108. Now he'll have to follow it up with the details. Barbara and Jim Sandman are located at 2601 Ryegate Lane, Alexandria, Va., 22308. Jim's in JCS. Mary Jane and Don McClelland have joined the Macklins at AMC. By the time this is published they will be living at 5971 Wilton Road, Alexandria, Va.

Millie Whitley has joined the group here while Al's in Korea with the 2d Engr Bn, 2d Inf Div, APO SF 96224. She lives at the Van Dorn Apts., 5355 Taney Ave., Alexandria, Va. Ginny and George Rutter moved into 9202 St. Mark's Place, Fairfax, Va., 22030. Sug and Carter Clarke are located in Springfield, Va., 22150, at 8200 Greeley Blvd. Stub works in DCSOPS. Otis Moore joined the student body at the National War College, and they are residing at 1731 Tamerisk Ct., in Vienna, Va., 22180. Louise and Joe Bratton have moved into the Stratford



1948: Rees Jones is cited for meritorious service as author-instructor at Leavenworth.



1948: Ben Eokins receives his third Commendation Medal—for service at Brooks AFB.

area of Alexandria, Va., 22308, at 8407 Camden St. Joe is in DCSOPS. Kay and Jay Brill and family (they have a 14-year-old son who towers over both of them) are also in Alexandria, Va., at 8406 Brewster Drive, near the Baronesses. Therese and Jack Kean have moved to Annandale, Va., at 7322 Masonville Drive. Pat and Jack Osteen are neighbors of the Clarkes, at 8204 Greeley Blvd., Springfield, Va., 22150. Jack is in ACSI. Frank Cancelliere has been assigned to USMA in logistics. I presume he's DCSLOG, but I won't say for sure.

Gerry Medsger had a spell in Walter Reed, but I found out about it too late to see him. He's back at USMA teaching math now. Joyce and Merle Sheffield went to Europe for a vacation last summer. Now that they have done it, Eloise will be after me to take her back to Karlsruhe where we spent four fine years. Pickle and Jim Barnett were on orders to the 7th Engr Bn, Fort Carson, Colo., 80913. If you landed somewhere else, folks, please advise.

Jim Jones has been reassigned to OSD/ARPA, R&D Fld Unit, APO SF 96346. Ed Rudd went to Redstone Arsenal, Ala., to the AMC PMPE, after Carlisle. Donn Starry went from AWC to Hq, Army Fld Force, APO SF 96240. Monk Doty will be with USARV by this time—after a month's Tdy at Benning. I guess Mary Virginia and family will remain here. Jay Hatch has extended in RVN and will be home in March after completing a tour as a Bn CO.

Lou Haskell reports from RVN that his job as CO, 2d How Bn (155mm S.P.), 35th Arty, APO SF 96257, is the best ever. His unit is in general support of the 10th ARVN Div. While not in an overly active area, he does receive visits from the enemy frequently at night. He saw Reuben Anderson, who by this time has returned to Mobile, Ala., as District Engineer. General H.K. Johnson also paid Lou a visit which turned out very well.

Jim Dingeman writes to tell me of his travels since his last report. As of February last he took command of the 2d Bn, 48th Inf (a mechanized Inf Bn), 3d Armored Div. After doing very well there he became CO, 2d Bn, 36th Inf, to command the unit during a several months'-long troop test—nine months in the field. Sylvia and Jim had new daughter, Linda Marie, on 24 Jan 1966. All are doing well. Jim saw Don Packard, Woe Enderle, and Jim McCray at the Founders Day dinner in Frankfurt. Don and Jim had Bns in the 3d Inf Div. The Dingemans plan to return to CONUS in June 1968.

The next letter I picked up is from Jim McCray. He says that Jack McCuen has the 8th Inf AC Sqdn, and that Bob Kirwan has a Bn in that outfit. Jim's address is Hq 1st Bn, 15th Inf, APO N.Y. 09036. Fred

Chanatry has moved to 1531 Flamingo Lane, Montgomery, Ala., 36111, from Albuquerque. Bill Whitson sent his dues from the Office of the C/S, MAAG, Box 13, APO SF 96263. Bobbie and Roger Conover are living at 28 Goltna Drive, Basking Ridge, N.J. The street may be slightly misspelled, folks. If so, I apologize.

Hank Stelling is out on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, Calif., 90274, at 26918 Diamondhead Lane. Grace and Don Deehan (he is also with DCSOPS) are living at 7213 Oxon Hill Road, Washington, D.C., 20021. And, Sims Dildy, after one year here, has headed for RVN.

Walt Plummer reported in June that he had about 100 days to go before returning from RVN. He had no orders at that time. By the next issue I hope to know more. Joe Herbets is with Continental Computer Associates, Inc., in a suburb of Philadelphia. His firm is doing consulting work in ADP as well as the purchase and lease of ADP equipment.

Nase Mansour sent a one-word message, "Hi." But, that's more than he's sent this way in some time. His address is: Box 1349, LaGrange, Ga. Ed Callanan wrote from RVN; Ann and boys await his return in Apt. F-8, Regency Arms, Catherine St., Highland Falls, N.Y. Ed brought the 1st Bn, 35th Inf, from Hawaii, having been with the 25th Div since 1963 as Asst G3, G1, and CO 1st Bn. He now has moved to XO, 3d Bde, 25th Div. Jack Miller has joined the troops in RVN, Ed reports. When last heard from, Jack was escaping from Pakistan, I believe.

Barbara and Ben Jacobellis are now at 2424 North St., Fairfield, Conn. That may be either a residence or an office address. How about clearing this up? Rod Saville is still down Houston, Tex., way, at 5111 Woodway. And, Bill Mounger holds forth in Jackson, Miss., c/o P.O. Box 1200. Mary Lou and Gene Forrester have moved to 9339 Boothe St., Alexandria, Va., 22302. Guess the Meade did get to them after all.

The annual picnic of the Class here was a great success due to the efforts of the committee: Skinners, Clarks, and Alters (contemporary '48); and the large throng of classmates, wives, and children that turned out.

Please furnish either the AOG or me with your ZIP code. After 1 Jan 1967, Larry O'Brien isn't kidding. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Other than one get-together at summer's end for a rather damp boat trip up the river, nothing of any great moment has happened among the local stalwarts. However, a few classmates did drop into these diggings from time to time, and they furnish such news as there is locally.

Bert and Vonnie Turner stopped off in mid-July for a short visit with Jim and Sally Coghlan before heading west across the country. Bert was on his way to Vietnam to command an Arty Bn with Vonnie and the kids accompanying him as far as Hawaii where they plan to homestead for the duration. They had their trip itinerary figured out in detail all the way to Schenectady and a visit with auto-dealer, "Honest" Jim Scholtz, and family.

Headed in the other direction for a sojourn in Europe was Steve White who dropped in for a quick lunch with a few of the local clan in August. Ross Johnson paid an overnight visit and attended the first class luncheon of the academic year while on Tdy

to the lower 48 from his job with the joint command in Alaska.

The Washington Scene

I am indebted to Harry Griffith for the passing on of much poop from the Pentagon which he picked up at the last class meeting in those climes and forwarded via Bob Kemble. Harry is to be congratulated as well for his other production efforts attested to by the arrival of No. 5, John C., who weighed in at 8 lbs., 13 oz., on 13 July.

In response to a plea for brevity from the Editor, I've attempted to reduce the Notes to some sort of telegraphic style without missing too many essential points. My apologies in advance for unintentional omissions and the use of alphabet-soup-short-titles on assignments that may not fit in the DoD dictionary. Here goes.

Charlie Anderson has a new job as exec for the Asst Secy of USAF (I&L) and reports that George Sylvester is flying F-4 missions in Vietnam these days. Carl Arantz, recently returned from VN, is with the 1035 Special Activities Gp, Hq USAF. Dave Arnold is also in Hq USAF with AFXSAI (?). Dick Bowman is attending NWC. Bill Bumpus is VP of Engr Tech Corp (an electronic manufacturing and repair firm in D.C., Md., Va., & Pa.) and a member of the board of Woodlawn Nat'l Bank in Alexandria.

Charlie Byrne returned this year from Wiesbaden to duty with Hq USAF (AFO-APE). Dick Craig is now in the Standards and Systems Office, OPO, DA. Dean Dickinson is still pushing papers in J6, JCS. Bob Ennis forsook a TAC job at Dyess AFB this spring to move into the Opns Review Gp of DCSP&O on the Air Staff. Jack Fatum is in the War Plans Div of DCSOPS. Jack Ford showed up on Tdy to the DAF Special Air War Div from his station at England AFB, La., where he is CO, 6th ACS.

Frank Hinchion, with Raytheon, reports that he and Bette are still 3-up on Harry Griffith. Herb Hoot is getting his kicks out of shuffling the top 3 grades as Chief of the Comb Arms Sec in EPD of OPO. Norm Hopkins commutes to DIA from his home in Bel Air. Ed Howard is assigned to the DCA Ops Ctr with duty in NMCC. Bill Huber is in the Engr Br, OPD, OPO. Punch Jamison is Asst exec for the USAF C of S. Ogden Jones, back from Spain, is located in the Pentagon, I think (couldn't decipher the note card). Don Keith has checked in at ICAF. Joe Kingston is in from Fort Carson to attend the NWC. Gil Kirby escaped the rat-race



1949: Bob Black accepts the Colors of the 1st Bn, 1st Infantry, as he assumes command of the only Regular Army unit at USMA.

after only one year to go to AWC. Bill Lambert, after 7 years at the AF Academy, can now be found in the AF Data Services Ctr somewhere in the Pentagon. Charlie Lehner is over in T-7 with AMC trying to conjure up an Advanced Aerial Fire Support System. Huck Long is over at the Pomponio Bldg with the OSD Officer Personnel Study Gp. Harry Maihafer is Chief of the Business Branch in OSD (PA). Ken McIntyre returned last December from Thailand and is holed up in the Plans and Programs Directorate of ACSFOR.

Flip McMullen works at Bolling AFB in the Systems Engr Office of the AF Research and Tech Div. Mike McNamee is with AFRDQ-AFRDC-Hq USAF (Boyl). Gene Mechling is with the DAF Directorate of Opnl Test and Eval. Hayes Metzger is directing the budget in the DA Comptroller's Office. Walt Milliken is with the Logistics Management Institute as consultant to Asst SecDef (I&L). Paul Monahan has been assigned to Research Analysis Corp for a year's OJT in systems analysis. Paul and Beverly Murray—plus eight—are somewhere in Washington (job unknown).

Bob Noce, surrounded by his five femmes, has settled at Stratford Landing and, in between gardening and carpentering, works on the U.S./German Main Battle Tank Program. Terry Powers hangs out in the Classifications and Standards Division of DCSPER, DA. Bob Pursley is the class rep in the head shed as Mr. McNamara's right-hand man.

Bill Robison just left his teaching job at AFIT, where he reports D.D. Klein and R.H. Smith are doing graduate work, and has joined the USAF Systems Command Hq at Andrews AFB. Al Singletary is doing something (he won't say what) in DCSPER. Duane Smith has moved from DCSOPS, DA, to the Office of Special Asst for Strat Mob in JCS. Orton Spencer is in OCRD at the Pentagon. Harry Spillers figures airlift requirements in AFRDQR.

Bob Springer, in DCSOPS, reports having seen Ed Cave in Atlanta where he is a regional manager for Xerox.

Tom Stockton, back from 3 years in Japan, is doing special studies in the C of SA office. Bill Streett, in OCE, DA, still has his hand in the USMA expansion and construction effort and visits here periodically. George Stukhart works in the Engr Activities Office (likely cover story) of ACSI. Lee Surut is Pac Desk Officer in NMCC. Ben Suttle is still with OCRD. And Bob Swantz is analyzing systems in OASD along with Ed Triner.

A report on distaff doings in the Washington area will be forthcoming in the next issue, I hope.

Gleanings From the News Media

Congratulations are in order for John and Mary Mione on John's promotion to colonel and his assignment as Professor in the Dept of Physics at the AF Academy.

By now I'm sure everyone has heard (as we did too late for the last issue) that Ed Townsley was presented the 1966 Pace Award as the outstanding DA staff officer for the past year. Ed's citation covered a wide range of achievements in OCRD during the period July 64-Dec 65, with emphasis on his significant contributions to the improvement of the Army's capability during night operations that have proven most effective in Vietnam. Such an achievement certainly merits re-congratulations here—and apologies for their lateness.

Ted Swett has also been in the papers across the country, including the front page of the *N.Y. Times* which reported the arrival of "Theodore" (I'd sue, Trevor) and his 5th

Bn, 7th Cav, to join the 1st Air Cav Div in August. More about that in the pen-pal (he is) notes.

John Chandler got his face in the 21 Sept *Army Times* receiving the Colors of the newly activated 36th Engr Bn which he now commands at Fort Irwin, Calif.

Jack Madison passed on a letter from Maj. Gen. J.B. Wogan, Class of '15 Scribe and father of Jack Wogan, which contained a very interesting write-up taken from the Asheville (N.C.) *Citizen-Times* about a 2,000-mile trip along the eastern seaboard by the Wandering Wogans (Jack and his seven children, ages 4 to 16) in a rented bus specially designed and outfitted for family touring. I only wish space permitted reproduction of the article. Jack and the kids are back in Denver now planning another family sojourn (Caribbean cruise type) for the future.

Pen Pal Notes

Received a long letter from Ted Swett written while on leave in Georgia prior to his departure for Vietnam. In that epistle he gave an interesting rundown of his experiences in organizing and training his outfit at Carson preparatory to taking it to Vietnam. Ted also had news of others to report—such as having run into Dave Wightman at Benning where he is (or was) head of the physical conditioning committee, and a "small world" type experience of discovering that their next door neighbor on the beach at Jekyll Island, Ga., was Sam Coursen's widow, Evie (now the wife of Dr. Wyatt Pouncey). Ted reports that Sam Jr., is now 16, 6' 1" tall, and a very fine boy.

Ray Battreall wrote from Norfolk where he and Nancy are now located, at least for this session of AFSC. He reported having seen Art Mayer and Bob and Bette Bradley prior to their respective departures for France and Munich.

Cindy Adams passed along Chuck's address, Hq 2d Bde, 1st Inf Div, APO SF 96345, and relayed his report of having run into Skeeter Meek who has an Arty Bn in the 1st Div.

Condolences

As you all must have noted in the "Last Roll Call" section of the Summer ASSEMBLY, Charles F. (Frank) Neef Jr., was killed on 27 June in an F-105 crash at Schilling AFB, Kans. Notice of Frank's death came after the column for that issue had gone to press. Other than that notice no word has been received on memorial or interment services. Punch Jamison did come thru with the information that Wanda Neef has settled in their home near San Bernardino, Calif. To Wanda and the family I wish to extend the heartfelt sympathies of the Class for their loss.

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Greetings to all of you from Korea. By the time this reaches you I'll be about 3 months into this tour, and Christmas will soon be upon us (or maybe just past). Roy Easley and Lyn Mather are in this part of the world too.

The end of July Robin and I took the children for a week's trip. We spent 3 nights at WP with the Ebners and were able to see nearly all of our classmates there. Bill and Maryann Read came through (on their way to the 9th Div at Riley) from Israel; they both look great and apparently enjoyed their 2 years there. They lived a half hour from Tel Aviv in an area developed by South

Africans. Wish you could hear their description of the trip home when their dog missed the flight from Rome to Naples. For 4 hours the Italians were very frustrating to deal with, and, though Bill and Maryann were concerned to say the least, the Italians never stopped smiling! Bill saw Bud Pritchett in Naples on his way to a U.N. assignment in Palestine. The only other bit of news from our stay at WP is that Barbara and Art Blair still have their Christmas cards outlining one door; it has something to do with the fact that they don't like the door.

At a preventive maintenance course at Knox in July, I saw Al Jennings who was soon to leave for Germany to take over Clyde Spence's 5/83d Arty Bn. At that time there were only 5 other officers!

Bob Gard had a fascinating trip to the Middle East while he was at the NWC. He saw Jack and Joan Roehm in Morocco; Jack is the Asst attaché in Rabat. In Ankara he saw Phil and Jean Harper and René Wolf; Phil is with JUSMAAG and René with CENTO Engr Sec. In Teheran he found Joe and Judy Gappa; Joe is advisor to the Iranian Military Academy and C&GSC.

Pete Abbruzzese wrote to say he's commanding the 5th Bn, 30th Arty, a SERGEANT Msl Bn in Vicenza, Italy. He says that Vicenza is the first stopping point in Italy with PX facilities for those going south, and he offers "free transient billets to anyone in the Class willing to put up with my digs." You may be swamped, Pete.

Anne Tate wrote from Sill where Gray has the 3/38 SERGEANT Msl Bn. Tess and Phil Donahue are there, as are the David Kings and Dick Trefry. Gray took their son Randy on a camping trip recently and then had a week of school at Sandia. He saw Ann and Chuck Means in Colorado Springs, Helen and Dan McDaniel at Sandia, and the Koehlers at White Sands. Anne said that Stan and BJ Prouty left Oklahoma City in July, Stan going to L'worth and then VN. BJ and the children are in Massachusetts where she will teach this year. Bob Eastman is recently back from Korea and on his way to Chicago. He and Cynthia, plus the Donahues and Tates went to Oklahoma City with the Proutys for an evening on the town. The Tates had a letter from Jane Wilson saying she and D.S. will be at Sill in October after D.S. returns from Korea.

Jeanie Steele took time out from typing Sid's term paper to say that he stays busy at D.U. and is active on the student council; he's been elected president of the business school graduate student Assn for the next quarter. They saw Lee and Ross Franklin when they were out there (on leave before going on to the French War College for 2 years) and were fascinated with firsthand stories of events in the Congo. Sid has orders to Carson for April 67; he'll have a Bn.

At Riley, in addition to the Reads, are the Bolducs. Mary wrote recently that Blackie gets up at 4:30a.m., runs all day long, and loves it; they have big quarters and are glad of that. Seven of their nine will be in school this year, so it should be pretty quiet around the house in a couple of weeks. Understand Al Flynn is there now, having come from Naples, also Rex Jennings after only 6 mos in Germany.

Drew Rutherford wrote in July just after arriving in VN, where he is the senior advisor to the province chief of Hau Nghu Province; Kay and the children will spend the year in Colorado Springs. Drew said the Philippine medical team there knows Eddie Ramos, and they told him that Eddie is now military aide to the President. Ralph Ritteman is also in VN, flying F-105's.

New at L'worth are Bill and Trema Berry and Dick and Biddy Hoffman. Dick has gone to S&F from an Arty Bn in VN; Bill just left the DC area.

Fort Lewis has acquired 3 from '50: Wally Nutting is a Cav Sqdn Comdr; Ding Price has the 339th Engr (Const) Bn; and Bob Hughes has the 63d Engr (Const) Bn.

Gail Wilson is now G3 of the 8th Inf Div. He and Ardath come home in December to go to AFSC in January. Gail has seen Jim Thompson frequently, but Jim is due in DC very soon. Gail also saw Ray Barry recently—Ray has a V Corps Arty Bn in Hanau, and when Gail saw him last, Ray had just beaten the Corps Comdr at golf. Very brave, Ray.

Hugh Holt is at Amador, C.Z. Jared Schopper has a Training Bn at Dix, and Leo Wegner should also be there now, having recently come from a U.N. tour in Damascus.

After 3 years Marilyn Romaneski and JoAnne came home from Sweden for 30 days, leaving Leo to tour Europe with Mark and Peter. Now they're all reunited and will have 2 more years there; Leo is the attaché in Stockholm. Marilyn said it was a joyous homecoming, particularly when the time came to open the treasures she had brought. Some Whackies and Crispy Critters made the biggest hit, and the boys nearly broke down when JoAnne showed them the TV schedule she'd brought back with her!

Lots of newcomers to DC: Davises (Bennie), Ferns, Gaffneys, Habermans, Hennings, Lewandowskis, Lewises, Lobes, Mackmulls, Maladowitzes, Mather (just Jackie and the children while Lyn is over here), Mangases, Merediths, McCoys, Howard Parks, Parishes, Picks, Hank Sachers, Schnoors, Shades, Singletons, Streits, Thompsons (Jim), Waters, Wests, and Workmans. Mort Ray from VN and Bob Reed from Korea are due in, in October.

Chuck Friedlander wrote from Florida (where he has a new NASA assignment as chief of the astronaut office at the Cape) that Pete Todsén and Bill Aman flew into Patrick AFB for a few days on business. All '50-ites there are looking forward to Frank Borman's next passage through as a member of an APOLLO (3-astronaut) flight crew.

News from all over: The Sibbles saw Jake and Eloise Allen who were recently visiting the DC area; Jake is at the Wharton School of Finance with Andy Byers. At Bolling AFB, Charlie Gabriel received the AF Commendation Medal for the 2d time. Carl "Bolo" Brunson has assumed command of the 493d Tactical Fighter Sqdn at Lakenheath RAF Station in England; his previous assignment was at the AF Academy. Bob McBride is now vice president in charge of operations, with the Granite City Steel Co. in Illinois; he's been with them 10 years.

Haven't had word of a single baby being born to anyone from '50 since the last deadline, and that seems incredible. Let me know if my spies aren't doing a good job. Keep your postman busy and write; remember 1 Dec, 1 Mar, 1 June, and 1 Sept should make the deadlines.

BEAT NAVY!

'51

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The September deadline finds us home-steaders deeply involved in the planning for and expectation of the most successful 15th Reunion ever. I will limit my reunion comments, for, by mailing time, the remarks will have been outdated. Suffice to say, all those who did attend, I trust, are now returned



1951: The Washington Area group (beginning with top photo): Hiltys, Forresters, Crowes, Johnsons, Hills, Costanzas, Dukes, Evanses Monsoses, Prehns, Meighens, Patillos, Portains, Quinns . . . La Fleurs, Markhams, Knittles, Kleins, Louisells, Lackmans, McDonalds, Keeslings . Crockers, Arnolds, Pat Carrigan, Akerses, Atkinsons, Cortners, Byerses, Carlsons Wellses, Waldmans, Sharps, Thomases, Siteses.

home safely with a stronger bond of association with the Class and our revered Alma Mater.

We "flagpole" classmates have been reinforced by Don and June Peifer. Don has been assigned as XO, 3d Regt, and joins the thinning ranks of '51ers at USMA. We number only 12 here at present.

Hank Adams has checked into the net from Alexandria, Va., and has brought us up to date on the doings in Washington. There are about 50 classmates in the DC area now. In May, Pete Thomas, who is with Boeing Aircraft, and Hank arranged for a cocktail party at Fort Myer for the Class. There was a tremendous turnout to include the Patillos from Norfolk. Joe and Virginia Knittle came from Fort Holabird equipped with camera and took the group pictures which I hope meet the printer's requirements to be published in this issue. Man and Lady Pat have, incidentally, moved on to Fort Carson where Pat commands an Infantry Bn. The biggest news perhaps is that Fran Craig married Jean Marie Calligan on 20 August in Astoria, N.Y. Fran just started at the Wharton School of Business in New York. He is probably the last of the bachelors—or do we have any left? Lee and Joe Sites have just left for the Italian War College. Joe and Mary Luger, with new baby, their first, have arrived in Washington. Another new arrival there is Ray Toole who is assigned to the Office of the Secretary of the Army. Larry Crocker and Dick Wells have taken over the staggering duties as Washington Area party coordinators.

Old faithful, Gerry Tausch, has forwarded her regular epistle from Europe. Bonny and Chuck McLean, who are in Lerici, Italy, with the M-113 program, were house guests recently. It appears to have been quite a mixture with the McLean daughters speaking Italian like natives, and the Tauschs speaking German constantly. Gerry received an invitation from Wally and Norma Steiger to visit them in England. Wally is the U.S. LNO at the Royal Armoured Centre School in Dorset. Wencke and John Schweizer are also at CENTAG. John had to return to the States, unfortunately, due to his father's sickness. Kay and Pat Brian left CENTAG in June—destination, U.S.A. Where are you, Pat?

Dick and Marian Szymczyk are now in Berlin on a new assignment. Lauren and Jean Ashley are England-bound in December. Lauren will be with the Armor Standardization Board there. Martha-Jo and Joe Rice have left the beautiful country of Colombia and are now enjoying Cochabamba, Bolivia. Thanks again, Gerry, for your faithful service. **Commendation Corner:** Dick Breakiron received his 2d Oak Leaf Cluster to the Army Commendation Medal upon departure from USMA. He is now a student at American U. in Washington. Dick will be missed, not only for his outstanding professional contribution, but also for his efforts on behalf of the Class. Gus Villaret received a similar award at Fort Bliss. His citation attests to achievement as plans and program officer at the U.S. Army Air Defense Command, Fort Bliss. I also have word of a civilian promotion: Dick Allen was promoted to division superintendent at Granite City Steel Co. A late AF release informs us that Julius Conti has been graduated from U.S.C. with a master's degree in research and development management. Congrats to all.

My last hurrah. A professional touch will be added to the class column next issue as our fine classmate, John Daigh, assumes the Scribe's duties. I personally thank the Class for their contributions over the past year and

a half and urge you to support John equally as well (or even better). Please note John's address for future contributions:

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Reunion—Late Bulletin

Some 65 classmates made it back to the old homestead for a very successful 15th Reunion. Our first class activity was a picnic supper-cocktail party at Camp Buckner with about 100 people in attendance. Roy Herte had done his work well in arranging housing for all, and Reunion Weekend was off to a booming start. As is normal for '51 parties, this affair went late into the night and continued in several places after we left Camp Buckner. The Hotel Thayer, the Officers Club and many classmates' quarters were throbbing with '51ers well into the morning. John Hook, the activity chairman, Bob Yerks, and Harry Lombard were much in evidence, collecting money, selling tickets, greeting arrivals, and renewing old friendships.

Saturday morning the Class assembled for its formal business meeting. The proposed constitution and by-laws were discussed, modified, and adopted. Dan Foldberg then designated West Point as the Class Executive location and our first Class Executive committee was then elected. This first executive committee of the Class consists of Dan Foldberg (president), Harry Lombard (exec VP), Don Peifer (exec Secy), Buddy Hoff (exec Treas), and John Daigh (exec historian). The class constitution and by-laws are being reproduced for distribution to the Class soon.

The Class then approved unanimously a sincere vote of thanks to Buddy and Carolyn Hoff for their faithful and selfless service to the Class of 1951 over the past seven years. Buddy is a 1950 Citadel graduate who has been associated with the Class of 1951 since January 1959 when he first joined the Chemistry Department here. Buddy has served the Class of 1951 in many capacities since that time, including a two-year stint as secretary and treasurer, plus deep involvement in our 10th and 15th Reunions. Buddy and Carolyn will be associated with '51 for many years to come, as they are now permanent at USMA. Thanks again, Buddy!

The Penn State game was wet, cold, and glorious. Those who stayed away because of the horrible weather missed a tremendous game but did manage to retain their health. About 65 of us (including wives) risked pneumonia but saw the ARMY Rabble make it all worthwhile with a sparkling 11-0 victory. After the game the Class assembled for a very welcome cocktail party at the WP Army Mess and then adjourned to the Cadet Mess for dinner and dancing. Again, the parties continued into the wee hours which shouldn't surprise any of you.

Sunday morning we gathered for brunch informally and said our farewells, having experienced a wonderful, full, and satisfying renewal of Class esprit and comradeship. Those who could not make it were sorely and sincerely missed. Those who came were exhausted but happy.

The next column will have more on reunion to include a picture or two. We're having to rush this account to meet our publication deadline so we'll fill in the details next time.

One last note. We have fairly current addresses on all but six classmates. Anyone who knows where Ralph Auer, Jim Brett, Fred Reichard, Dave Rogers, Don Sheridan, or Bill Woodson are, please let us know.

Also, please keep the Association of Graduates up to date on your address whether or not you are a member. This is our best way to keep track of you.

'52

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Heartiest congratulations to Mike Collins on joining the elite society of spacewalkers. Only a member of '52 could have walked so spectacularly in Ed White's footsteps. Jack Foley, on behalf of the entire Class, sent Mike a congratulatory telegram upon completion of the GEMINI-10 mission last July. Ed White, by the way, recently received another accolade—he was presented the General Thomas D. White Space Trophy by the Secy of the Air Force, Harold Brown, for "outstanding contributions to U.S. exploration of space." USMA is proud of her 4 spacemen, and '52, as usual, sets the pace with our own unmatched set of GEMINI Twins.



1952: Bob Tanguy, assigned to 7th Air Force, Saigon.

Bob Sears, after graduating from C&GSC last June, has gone to Arizona State U. where he is studying industrial engineering. Bob kindly took the time to send along the following assignments for other 66 Leavenworth graduates. Ten classmates received the call to Vietnam: Lou Bryan, Dick Lang, and Loyd Rhiddlehoover to the 1st Cav Div; Wally Hastings, Stan Kuick, and Harvey Perritt to the 1st Inf Div; Swede Erickson to the 38th Repl Bn; Burny Knight to the 145th AVN Bn; Carter Lehman to the 809th Engr Bn; and Harry Wilson to USMACV. Jack Pilk and Joe Paluh have joined the Washington contingent—Jack is in the plans and programs directorate of ACSFOR, and Joe is in OPO. Larry Putnam was assigned to DASA at Sandia Base, J.J. Sullivan to the 9th Inf Div at Fort Riley, Bill Walker to the Opns Div of SHAPE, and Al Gorbys to the 26th NORAD Region at Stewart AFB. The Gorbys, Al and Joan, have been welcomed into the West Point fold and have become active participants in the numerous class shenanigans here.

The first local social event of the year took place at the WP railroad station in late Au-

gust when the clan met to welcome the new arrivals and to announce plans for the academic year. For many of us the scene brought back memories of 1 July 1948 and of the early-morning returns from ARMY-Navy games. No one, however, was willing to trudge up the hill for old times' sake, and everyone arrived and departed by POV. Craig and Ronnie Alderman were in charge of the festivities; they were ably assisted by Don and Pat Pafford and by John and Marge Aker. Our fearless leader, Jack Foley, announced an ambitious program for the upcoming year and officially welcomed the new arrivals. In addition to the Gorbys, newcomers include: the Ackersons, the Earnests, the Eisenharts, the Garvers, the Sells, and the Wallaces. Bob Ackerson has joined Wayne Elliott in teaching military history, while Charlie Sell and Clyde Earnest have joined the engineering side of MA&E. Warren Eisenhart has paired up with Tom Rehm in MP&L; Ray Wallace and John Garver are with ES&GS. Actually, Ray was here just long enough to get his family settled, and then he stole away to attend the course for fast learners at Leavenworth. We are all awaiting his return in December.

Other oldtimers on hand to welcome the new include: Bob Carlone, Jeff Knight, Joe Santilli, Bill Reilly, Skip Wensyel, Paul Child, and your Scribe. Judging by the successful beginning, it looks like a banner year for '52 at USMA. If you plan to be in the vicinity any time this year, it probably would be a good idea to contact Wayne Elliott, Wayne has been selected to be our CAC (class activities coordinator) for the current year, and he will gladly bring you up to date on local class activities.

Early in September the class wives gathered at Peg Reilly's for the tasting of red wine and the selling of white elephants. The auditors report a final take of \$30 from the elephants, which was almost enough to defray the cost of the wine. Connie Watkins, Barbara Vogel, Carol Burkheimer, and Colleen Harrison are welcome additions to the local distaff side, while husbands Charlie, Herb, Jack, and Luddie enjoy a year's sabbatical in Vietnam. Adrian Hollander also remains active locally, while Herb is away commanding the 178th Signal Co. in Vietnam.

Of all the newcomers, John and Meredith Garver had perhaps the most unusual experience in connection with their move here. They were staying with Lou and Ann Arnold for the quarters drawing last June and had left their children with relatives in Cherry Hill, N.J. A phone call brought them the news that their youngest son, Bobby, had had a swimming pool accident and had been taken to the hospital. Lou suddenly remembered an old roommate of his who was a pediatrician in Cherry Hill. A hurried phone call made contact with Deryle Whipple, and Dr. Whipple promptly examined Bobby and reassured the Garvers that Bobby was fine. Fortunately, the accident was an extremely minor one, but the incident shows that one never knows when or where a classmate may be found to extend a helping hand. Shortly after getting settled in August, John made a pilgrimage to New York City to attend a concert by the Beatles at Shea Stadium. As far as I know, he was the only classmate in attendance.

Charlie Sell came here from Vietnam, and he reported having seen Jim Day, Ed Eckert, Carl Guess, Bob Leach, Lenny Sluga, and Bob Winger before he left. Art Taylor sent a note from Vietnam before he rotated this summer. He spent a professionally rewarding year with the 1st Bde of the 101st—6 months as Bde S1 and 6 months as S3 of the

2/502. He reports that John Claybrook has been assigned to the brigade, and that Al Thieme, who had been the Bde S3, was slated to become the XO of 2/502. Art is now at Leavenworth. Dave Martin writes from his job as G3 Plans Officer, 1st Inf Div, that he expects to move on down to a battalion or brigade in the near future. He has seen Tex Ritter at USARV and Stan Kuick, Milt Sullivan, Bob Holmes, and Wally Hastings with the division. At last report, however, he was still looking for John Quinn, who was hiding out somewhere in the Big Red ONE.

Tom Dowler also wrote from Vietnam to cast one vote in favor of moving the location of the class executive committee from West Point to Washington. A vote in favor of the executive committee's remaining at USMA comes from Ed Gilbert in Ethiopia. Ed points out that in his opinion the committee can function best if located where it has ready access to the class records and files maintained by the AOG. Ed has expressed a strong interest in determining the wishes of the Class in this matter; as our class president, he wishes to act in accordance with the desires of the majority. So far, the response has been something less than overwhelming, inasmuch as the latest count reveals a deadlock of one vote in favor of Washington and one vote in favor of West Point. While it is not our intention to conduct a formal poll of the entire Class, we do wish that a few more would express an opinion one way or the other. We expect the issue to be decided at our annual business meeting in 1967, and we eagerly solicit your influence on our actions. Bill Raiford has asked me to stress that if the shift to Washington is effected, there will be no change in the current policy of rotating the 3 committee jobs among classmates on active duty.

Ed Gilbert's letter also revealed that he met Don Sells and Ralph Garver in Ankara, Turkey, last March. Don is exec, Gulf District, U.S. Army Engr Div-Med, and is living with his family in Teheran, Iran. Ralph is Chief, JUSMAAG, Turkey, and is living with his family in Ankara. Ed reports that he has "a good job here in Asmara, Ethiopia, and we all love this location—high, dry, and cool all year round. We are at 7,600 ft. altitude; it never freezes, never gets to 90°, and never is humid." Ed is handling about 10-12 million dollars worth of military construction contracts and has a staff of 16 people in the area office. According to Ed, it all adds up to a tremendously rewarding experience.

Lou and Dolores Rajchel have recently returned from Wurzburg, Germany, and have joined the DC crew. They are living in Virginia. Will Ross received the 2d OLC to the Army Commendation Medal prior to leaving USMA for AFSC this summer.

Jack and Jeanne Pilk had a son last spring. As of September Jeanne was painting furiously in preparation for a one-man art show in Washington in October. Bill Boyles and Wayne Elliott are also the proud fathers of sons. Michael Wayne Elliott was born on 13 June, and Jonathan Rodgers Boyles was born on 9 July. Bill and Lee's current address is: 1217-B Ash, Fort Dix, N.J.

Bob Tanguy has graduated from AFSC and has been reassigned to the 7th Air Force, Saigon. Don Williamson has completed pilot training on the C-141 Starlifter and is currently stationed at Charleston AFB, S.C. Bill Waldrop and Bob Hubeli, both of whom are now at Hurlburt Field, Fla., have each been awarded the DFC for their achievements in

Vietnam. Bill conducted an attack against Viet Cong forces about to overrun a Vietnamese Ranger outpost. "Notified that the fierce infighting was too close for regular tactical aircraft support, Major Waldrop attacked the VC with his side-firing C-47, directing heavy, precise fire into Viet Cong ranks without hitting friendly forces. Pressing the attack through a heavy barrage of ground fire, he forced a VC withdrawal after inflicting heavy casualties." Bob Hubeli "voluntarily flew a badly damaged aircraft on a 7-hour, overwater flight to obtain structural repairs which were unavailable in Southeast Asia. During this flight he demonstrated outstanding skill and airmanship while insuring another operationally-ready aircraft would be available to theatre forces." At the same time that he was awarded the DFC, Bob also received the 8th through the 10th oak leaf clusters to the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights.

Included among the summer-time visitors to USMA were: King Coffman, Win Holt, Jay Hogan, and Ray Koestner. King and Irene Coffman paid a short visit to Jeff and Mickey Knight (Irene and Mickey are sisters). The Coffmans, having just returned from Europe, were on their way to their new station in the Pentagon. King saw Charlie Steen in Nuremberg not too long ago. Win Holt dropped in on his way from Vietnam to Leavenworth. Jay Hogan brought his family through on their vacation. Jay is dealing in electronic equipment for the Ronson Corporation, and he would enjoy seeing any classmates passing through his neck of the woods. His address is: 59 Iron Hill Road, New Britain, Pa. 18901. Ray Koestner flew in from USAFA and was given a briefing and VIP tour by Skip Wensyel.

Local football fans were augmented at the first game of the season by the likes of Joe Hannan, Bill Boyles, Jim Michel, and Al Crehan. Gerry Naber also flew in on the day of the game. He arrived too late to watch Kansas State go down to defeat at Michie Stadium, but he did manage to catch the most important event of the day—the victory celebration at the officers club that evening. Jim Michel is a product manager for the Carbon Products Division of Union Carbide and is now working in New York City. Jim reports that he ran into Mike Duerr not too long ago on one of the sidewalks of New York. Al Crehan is now the Asst to the circulation manager for *The News*, New York's picture newspaper. Al gets this year's award for having the most euphonious address: 629 Winding Hollow Drive, Franklin Lakes, N.J. 07417.

Don't forget to add your Scribe's name to your Christmas card list. Keep us informed of your address, so that we can keep you informed of plans for the gigantic 15th Reunion. The countdown has already begun. Plan now to attend.

'53

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Summer is ending, and the deadline rolls around for me for the first time. Here at West Point the fever of football is in the air. For those who have not seen the "campus," the Plain is jammed with construction equipment, and the silhouette of the new Washington Hall is taking shape. Youth is abounding here with the Class of 1970 safely within our walls. For the most part they were born the year before we became Plebes.

Our class picnic at Camp Buckner was an aquatic success. Mac McDonald's yacht was most popular on the blue waves of Lake Popolopen until the shear pins started to shear. Fortunately for Mac, Bob Martin, one of the skiers, doubled as a skin-diver and made repairs. Watching the motor launch being propelled by oar, Chuck Fiala suggested a steel bolt to replace the fast-breaking shear pins, but his engineering suggestions went unheeded. Among those present were: Chuck and Edy Fiala, Bert and Molly Fuller, Al and Jane Grum, Vald and Kitty Heiberg, Mike and Jacquie Kallman, Bob and Ellie Martin, Mac and Pat McDonald, Jim and Nell Pigg, Bill and Ruth Renner, Dave and Ann Rumbough, Rick and Liz Vander Meer, Bob and Sally Zargan, Sue and Joe Rears. Vi Davis and Fran Ramsay joined us, as did our associate members Mel and Cecie Wier, Ed and Lola Turek, and Frank and Sara Zimolzak. Frank, our vice president, handled the arrangements during the absence of our class president and bridegroom Ray Eineigl, who was on a trip to the Virgin Islands with his wife, Louise.

Abbie McLennan stopped by to see my wife Sue. Stu is flying 'choppers in Vietnam. Cliff Landry is with an advisory team in Vietnam. Drew Dowling is still with the Ill. Institute of Technology, writes Marlene Dowling from Severna Park, Md. They are interested in the addresses of Don Fuqua and Ray Schroeder. Help anyone? Judy Purcell mentions that Henry is an advisor in Vietnam, and if anyone is in the area, he would like to see them. Judy, thanks for the interesting newspaper clipping. Monty Walters has been in Vietnam since 2 Jan. He is an advisor at Corps Hq. By the way, he is now in Army Intelligence, having left the Infantry in 63.

A little late, but the class party in Virginia drew the following classmates: Stan and Dorie Wielga, Glenn and Barbara Otis, Ralph and Charlotte Greer, Tom and Bernadette Nesbitt, Howie and Marsha Thompson, Robert Lee Crosby and Lucy, Spike Flertzheim and his wife, Hiram and Rae Tompkins, plus others. Thanks to Joan Walters for the information. Bud Zimmer dropped in, and he is on his way to Saigon. He will send me a long letter filled with names when he gets settled. Right, Bud?

The West Point Society of the Washington Area is desirous of increasing its membership, and I would like to pass on their request to our classmates there. Those of you in the DC area can contact the Society through Lt. Gen. Chas. E. Hart, USA (Ret), 1701 Oak Lane, McLean, Va. 22101. Incidentally, Ralph Greer is our class representative in the DC area.

Dave Rumbough handed the column to me in good shape with many suggestions. Thanks, Dave, and I will try to make the deadlines and to spell everyone's name correctly.

Jim Elliott, an F-4C Phantom II Flight Comdr, in Southeast Asia, received the Air Medal. He has flown more than 75 combat missions. Clay Jackson is being assigned to a unit in Vietnam. He just checked out of a special training course for F-100 pilots.

Inasmuch as moderation is the current word for the Scribes, let me sign off. Thanks for the information, and I'll try to keep you up to date. I promise to mention everyone's name who drops me a line—that includes Christmas cards. For those who made the homecoming game, it was good to see you. If you couldn't make it, good luck wherever you are.

'54

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Appropriately enough, most of the news is from Vietnam for this issue. Dick Sugg reports the following disposition of classmates from the 1st Cav, where the summer influx has begun to subside; the assignments shape up as follows: Paul Miller is S3 of the 1st Bn of the 21st Arty; Howie Hunter, Divarty S2; Leo Hobbs, G3 for Combat Developments; Dion Johnson, G3 Air; Andre Broumas, XO, 8th Engr Bn; Joe Peisinger, XO, 70th Engr Bn; Westy Westervelt, S3, 1st Bn, 7th Cav; John Farrar, Asst G4; and Dick is Asst XO of the 2d Bn, 17th Arty. Jim Whitley, in Vietnam on a return engagement, is Asst Div G5. Otherwhere in the same vicinity, Len Fuller is S2 of the 52d Arty Gp, and Jim Moore, who graduated from the AF C&GS in June, is in the 3d Bde of the 25th Div.

Further south, Jack Charles writes from Bien Hoa, where he is flying F-100's with the 510th Tac Fighter Squadron. While Jack is thus employed, Kathy has settled in the Cornwall vicinity. The Warren Alversons send out the proud announcement of the birth of daughter Kathia Michelle, who arrived on 25 June and weighed in at 7½ pounds. Kathia was born in Saigon, where Warren has been assigned as an Esso employee since 1965. His point of view is somewhat different—that of a civilian working and living with his family in the area of operations. Of the experience, he says it is "invaluable if not enviable."

The '54 air arm continues to flourish in Vietnam. Bob Kaiser, who won the AF Airman's Medal for courageous action in extinguishing a blaze in a parked aircraft a few months ago, also found time to rack up 381 combat missions as a C-123 Provider pilot during his tour. The citation which awarded Bob the Air Medal with 10 oak leaf clusters mentions the personal bravery and airmanship he displayed while amassing this formidable total. Chuck Wilson won the Bronze Star for operations against the Viet Cong as a training and operations officer with the Pacific Air Forces. He was decorated for his accomplishments in facilitating efficiency and expansion of the airlift system in "the rapidly changing tactical situation in Vietnam."

Al Devereaux recently graduated from one of the most exclusive flying schools in the world—the USAF Aerospace Research Pilot School, at Edwards AFB, Calif. The demanding 12-month course includes over 400 hours of actual and simulated flight and the academic training required to qualify graduates as potential astronauts or project managers in areas associated with the space program. Al is now stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Walt Schrupp, Gerry Parshall, and Al Hamblin were among the graduates of the USAF Air Command and Staff College last June. Walt has since increased the ranks of '54 in Vietnam. Completing other phases of higher education. Hal Howes and Bill Bathurst were graduated in June from the AFSC at Norfolk, while Craig Mahaffy completed work for an M.S. degree at the AF Institute of Technology at Wright-Patterson.

This bit of intelligence from Jay Massaro should restore the faith of all those who may have come to the conclusion that the "era of good deals" is irretrievably lost. Jay advises us that he is now Executive for Administrative Services of the Standardization Group, in London, for a prospective 3-year

tour. The tenor of his letter indicates that the "Swingin' City" has acquired a new citizen with a lively interest in its potential. Jay met Hank Carroll while he was out for a breath of air on the steps of the U.S. Embassy. Hank is starting a 2-year tour at the British antiaircraft school in Wales.

Meanwhile, back in the States—Bill Grace has entered the Defense Language Institute to begin work on the FAST program. Ed Knoff writes that he is enjoying his current assignment as supervisor of the Basic Gunnery section at Fort Sill, with the additional duty of keeping up with sons Eddie and Tommy. He and Betty are going to the ARMY-Tennessee game and are looking forward to meeting some classmates there. Ken Bailey, checking in from Washington, D.C., scheduled his first return to West Point for Homecoming this year. At this time, 18 Sept, there are few indications of the number who intend to make the Homecoming scene, but we hope it will be considerable.

By the time this column appears, the football season will have passed; I predict it will have been a good one. All indications from practice sessions and the opening game against Kansas State are encouraging. The sight of well-conditioned, aggressive cadets playing bone-jarring, spirited football is most enjoyable. The new coach believes in hard work on fundamentals. Long may he prosper!

Nearing the bottom of a none-too-voluminous mailbag: Wendell Gilbert stopped by Aberdeen Proving Ground, on the way to Leavenworth, to see Tom Griffin, who was recently assigned there after completing his work toward a master's degree at Georgia Tech. Jim and Loretta Cooper are nearby at Fort Belvoir where Jim is assigned to the Combat Developments Command.

Department of rectified oversights: Jim Randall, in a letter overlooked in the last deadline rush, has moved from Seattle (Boeing) to Peabody, Mass. (G.E.). Yes, Virginia, civilians do move from time to time. Jim moved the easy way though: he drove cross-country above the 45th parallel during February. He reports that Pete Pilet is still doing well in Seattle.

The following sightings were recorded at a backyard party sponsored by Jim Burris and Dan Tobin after the Kansas State game. On hand, in addition to the on-post complement of '54, were Roger and Ginger Brown, up from the U. of Pa., where Rog is in his 2d year of graduate school; Frank and Terry Colpini, taking a short break from Frank's ROTC duties at Rutgers; John and Pat Shelter, from Verona, N.J.; and Norm Stephen, who is with Alcoa in New Jersey.

The 3-month lag time inherent to quarterly publication causes some inevitable chronological incongruities. In view of this, all good men and true are cordially invited to contribute cards and letters to Box 54 as frequently as possible. Remember—minimum response time insures maximum interest.

'55

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A note from Al Cini gives news of Ted Gay's assignment to the Naval Command and Staff College in Newport, R.I. Al and Ted were both sub-sector advisors in Vietnam. Al was kind enough to provide a complete list of classmates now enrolled in the regular or associate course at Leavenworth: Blahuta, Boyd, Brokenshire, Buchwald, Burkhardt, Jack Campbell, Carpenter, Cini, Coleman, Bill Edwards, Flynn (USAF), Goldstein, Grans-



1955: Scene at the Italian feast following Kansas State game.

back, Hadly, Hayes, Hilbert, Joseph, Lozier, Ludwig, Maus, Miller, Monahan (USAF), Quinn, Wayne Smith, Trobaugh, and Wilcox. Bill Hadly, Don Buchwald, and Bill Wilcox were awarded Army Commendation Medals for meritorious service at USMA before departing.

In between their trips around the country and other pressing demands of the Admissions Office, Bill Hadly and Dick Bean were able to complete their school work and were awarded the M.A. degree in history from Columbia U. Bill Welter and Tom West are Army test pilots and have done work with the XV-5A, an experimental lift fan, Vertical and Short Takeoff and Landing, aircraft. Tom is at Fort Eustis, Va., with his wife Elaine. Bill was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for setting the world record for the 9,000-meter, class E-1 helicopter climb.

Matt Schepps was assigned to ROTC duty at Claremont College, Calif., after serving as senior regimental advisor at Dong Ha, just south of the DMZ in Vietnam. While on leave he saw Jim Town who will be on his way to a 2d Vietnam tour in March. On his last night in Saigon, Matt ran into Jerry Gilpin, Tommy Turner, Skip Massey, and Dan Moses. This is Dan's 2d tour.

With USAF in Vietnam are Bill McWilliams, Frank Donald, John Beoddy, and Dan Geran. Bill is flying the F-4C Phantom II with the Pacific Air Forces and has recently been decorated for meritorious achievement. Frank flies from a forward combat base. Dan, a C-123 Provider pilot, has the Air Medal with 5 oak leaf clusters for his military flights.

Pop Warner, Jerry Brown, John Beoddy, and John McDonald graduated on 10 June from the USAF Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB. Pop is assigned to the AF Academy as an air operations officer. Jerry, a Msl staff officer, is assigned to Tachikawa AB, Japan.



1955: Chef Cardillo supervises his staff during the serving of spaghetti and meat balls at the Camp Commander's cabin at Buckner.

Don Law completed an aerospace operations course at the Air University and returned to Arnold AF Station, Tenn., for duty with the AF Systems Command which manages USAF scientific and technical resources to develop new missiles, aircraft, and other aerospace systems.

Our Class still owes money to the printer for the 10th Reunion book. If you are one of those 60-odd classmates who may have forgotten to send \$5 for the book you have, please send a check to Major Donald Andrews, Dept of ES&GS, USMA.

Dick Bean, Todd Graham, and Rich Cardillo are exploring the possibilities of a class memorial in honor of our deceased classmates. Academy regulations prohibit the use of names on any memorial, and it must be functional and not on the level of the Plain. It does not have to be a monument but can be a living memorial, such as a scholarship, etc. It will take years to consummate this, but good groundwork is being laid now. Any decision must be a class decision, world-wide. Before any formal polls are taken, I am sure the members of this preliminary planning group would appreciate hearing any views you may care to express.

Following the Kansas State game, the class members stationed at West Point and others who came up for the game were treated to an Italian feast at the Camp Commander's cabin at Buckner. Inez and Rich Cardillo and friends hosted what was a truly wonderful party. Al Buie was there on a reconnaissance, as he will be reporting to USMA in December as AF LnO. When I left the party, it was still going strong with Joe Franklin and his magic guitar.

I had hoped to hear news of the Bishops who are stationed in Australia. The most I have been able to find out so far is that Nancy has a wringer-type washing machine.

Jim Drummond started off as an R&D project manager in Saigon, but fortunately he was able to wangle his way out of this juicy jump slot with an air-conditioned office and moved to the Hoa Binh District in Go Cong Province in the 7th Div tactical area as the sub-sector advisor. He writes that he is delighted with this assignment. Jim had several enjoyable reunions with Don Gransback who was winding up his tour as chief of the Ranger training directorate after 8 months as a Ranger battalion advisor. Jim has also seen Dave Gilpatrick and Myron Mimich. Dave is in G3, Hq MACV, with the Plans and Analysis Div and was trying everything imaginable to leave Saigon for an operational assignment. Dave lives in the McCarthy BOQ, named for Tom who was killed in Vietnam in 1964. Myron is in charge of the IV Corps tactical operations center at Can Tho. Jim continues his letter with the interesting account of how he and Myron shared together the attack on the 7th Div Advisory Hq in My Tho on the night of 9-10 June: "We huddled together behind the sandbags while Carl Jones, an associate member of '56 and Asst G3 advisor to the 7th Inf Div, defended us. That was the first night I had spent in the 7th Div tactical area, and it was also the first evening of Myron's liaison visit to the 7th Div."

Word has been received from Tom Weaver that Dave Burroughs is missing in action on his 98th mission over North Vietnam. On 31 July Dave was sent on a single ship mission; his target was a bridge 15 miles north of Hanoi. We can only hope that no news is good news.

'56

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I received a brief note from the Secy of the AOG informing me that Terry Creighton was killed in a military aircraft accident near Waxahachie, Tex., on 24 Aug 1966. No other details were given. I know that all of us share in the great sorrow of his family, and I hope that at least one of the Class was able to attend his funeral. I would greatly appreciate a note either from a classmate or next of kin which would provide more information than I have available concerning his family and the circumstances of the accident.

Scott Sutherland's wife, Jerri, sent a very fine letter informing me of some of the brave attempts of many of his family and classmates to donate at least one kidney to Scott so that he can have a new lease on life. Fortunately, Scott seems to be receiving the best medical attention available; however, the key to his recovery is the availability of the right type of kidney from a person or cadaver with the correct blood type. Scott, Jerri, and Jim have a great deal of faith in their future together, and, God willing, the correct type of kidney will be available to Scott soon. Your courage is an inspiration to us all, Scott.



1956: Weinstein at his awards ceremony at St. Louis, Mo. Gen. Schlitz commands the Army Aviation Materiel Command.

On a much more cheerful note, Cindy and Fred Rall broke the wonderful news of the birth of twin boys on 16 Aug 1966. The boys were named Jefferson West and Staten Mitchell. Fred is currently on ROTC duty at California Polytechnic College in San Luis Obispo. Down Florida way, Chuck Young passed the Florida State Dental Board exams, is still with the Jacksonville City Public Health Dept and is enjoying the experience very much. He has decided to take 3 more years of training in order to become an oral surgeon. Cole tells me she started taking golf lessons this spring and is now the "pro" of the family. The Youngs have sort of lost track of their close friends Perry and Connor Smith, but Perry is believed to be an AF Academy instructor since his graduation from Columbia.

Nancy Patrick forwarded a fine letter and a small picture of Farrell showing him next to their residence in Washington, D.C., loaded down with copies of his doctoral dissertation and ready to leave for his final oral exam at American U. The paper was accepted, and Farrell was graduated "in absentia" on 5 June 1966. He is presently at Hq, 1st Signal Bde, in Saigon. Nancy and their three children (David 7, Nancy 5, and John 3) are holding the fort in Indianapolis

while Farrell is gone. She plans to return to the classroom herself this fall. Nancy reports seeing Tom and Maralyn Miller before she and Farrell left Washington. Tom is in the DC area now; just back from Vietnam, they live in Fairfax, Va. Ed and Marge Holloway gave the Patricks a farewell dinner which also fell on Farrell's birthday. The Holloways are in a new house in DC. Ed was in an automobile accident recently but, very fortunately, was wearing his seat belt which, he believes, saved his life.

As usual, when the news is a bit sparse, Bob and Shirley Devoto always come through in grand style to save the day. Again they were kind enough to share with me a copy of their annual E-1 newsletter, and I will give you the highlights thereof.

Reid, Huberta, Gerald, and Ronald Barrett are still stationed at Fort Knox. Jim, Georgine, and Todd Bauchspies live near DC, in Bowie, Md. Jim has received orders for Vietnam and will leave in early December. First he will attend helicopter school at Fort Rucker and then go on to transportation school at Benning. Georgine and Todd will remain in Bowie while Jim is away. Jim, Karen, Terrie (6), and Todd (3) Beal were living in St. Louis until Jim was transferred in July to the American Can Co. branch in White Plains, N.Y.

Steve Beebe, Heidi, and their new daughter, Tikyra Pia, returned to the States from Stuttgart, Germany, last July and are probably at Steve's new post in Pueblo, Colo., by this time. Frank Bonnarens has been with the 1st Air Cav Div in Vietnam for over a year now. Rina and their children, Frank Jr., Joanne, Michele, Jim, and Maura Ann are living in Columbus, Ga., in their new home purchased last year. Dick and Mary Crews and Jeanne (4) and John (3) are in Heidelberg where they hope to spend the next 2 years. Dick is happy with his new job in special weapons in the Opns Div.

Rich Frederick left in September for Vietnam after a tour at West Point. Rina and little Rich will live in Mannheim, Germany, with Rina's family while Rich is away. Last January, the Fredericks invested in a tall, unrestored house in Washington, D.C., which is presently occupied by tenants. One of these days, Bob and Shirley Devoto hope to have the Fredericks as neighbors. Woody Hayes is believed to be in Vietnam now. George and Phyllis Leonard are living in San Jose, Calif., and George is believed to be still assigned to the Satellite Test Center nearby.

Morgan Mayson left last spring for Vietnam. Helen and the children, Vicki, Charlie, and Margan, are living with Helen's parents in Spartanburg, S.C. Gail and Porter Medley and Chip, Mark, and Debra Ann have been living at Westover AFB; however, Porter left for Okinawa early this fall. Gail and the children will stay with her family in Manhasset, N.Y., until quarters are available for them on Okinawa. The Redhairs, Roger, Mary, Lee Ann, and Susan were last seen at Fort Sill, but they were expecting to be transferred in the fall of 66.

Bob, Mary, and Kathy Sorley wound up a tour at West Point this past June. Bob has been assigned to the G3 section, Field Forces Vietnam, in Na Trang. Mary and Kathy will be living in Newburgh while Bob is gone. Phil Stynes is expected home from a tour in Vietnam with the 101st Abn Div where Phil was Asst S3 and chemical officer. Dianne and Stephanie Ann (2) are living in Columbus, Ohio, Dianne's home town. Dianne is working on her doctorate at Ohio State during Phil's absence. Bill and Janet Wehl

and their four children are still at West Point where Bill is well into his 2d year as a Tac. Mike, Ann, Elizabeth, and Laura Zeigler are still at Walter Reed Hospital. Bob Devoto was lucky enough to have Mike do his physical exam for the bi-annual check-up for that AF program which follows the Class of '56. Bob has kept busy both in his office and on numerous trips to Houston, Los Angeles, and Long Island in connection with the APOLLO program. Shirley has stayed busy in real estate and is now licensed to work both in Washington, D.C., and northern Virginia. The Devotos reported the "unofficial reunion" at West Point during June Week a smashing success. Janet Weihl and Rina Frederick planned a delicious cook-out at Round Pond following the class cocktail party, and a great time was had by all.

I have received several newsworthy items through the AOC. Congratulations are certainly in order for Les Weinstein who earned a whole series of medals during his tour of duty with the 52d Avn Bn in Vietnam. While currently assigned as staff officer attached to the Aviation Materiel Command, Iroquois Project Manager Field Office, St. Louis, Mo., he was awarded at one ceremony: the Soldier's Medal, the Bronze Star, and the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th oak leaf clusters to the Air Medal. Butch Harbold received an M.D. degree from the George Washington U. School of Medicine in June 1966. He will intern at Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, Pa., and plans a residency in internal medicine. Butch and Ann have three children, and he is a jet fighter pilot with the DC Air National Guard.

Larry Stebleton graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with an M.S. degree in management engineering. Larry and Janet are now at Mactan Isle Airfield in the Philippines where he is with the Pacific Air Forces. Al Carr graduated from the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB in June 1966. He and Anna are now assigned to Andrews AFB. By the way, Al holds the Bronze Star Medal, the Air Medal, and the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross.

Ray and Carolyn Cannon will leave in October for a new assignment with the Air Training Command. Ray expects to be an instructor in T-39's. Worthy of particular note are the Cannon's daughters, Donna and Janice, who are cute as can be.

As for the Wilkers, Betty is preparing to teach this year, and Carolynn (5) is very excited about kindergarten. I am becoming accustomed to my assignment at TRW Systems as contracts manager for our global communications satellite contract with COMSAT and expect to make a few trips to Washington, D.C., in this connection in the near future.

Please, somebody, send a good class picture of the 10th Reunion during Homecoming Weekend at West Point.

'57

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It is with deep regret that I report the death of Mink Newman in action in Vietnam on 12 Aug. Mink was buried here at West Point on 22 Aug. The sympathy of the entire Class, I am sure, is with Barbara and the children. For now, Barbara is living at 4426 Naples Drive, Columbus, Ga. Reflecting on the maturity with which Mink always judged the nature and importance of a task, I think we can all regard the task in Vietnam with a renewed sense of dedication.

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1957: Class picnic at the Air Force Academy. Above, top row (left to right): Charlie Wheeler, Les Tate, Don Miller, Dick Bone, Ed Quill. Second row: Mike Keating, Bob Markham, Ray Karsian, Tod Voorhees, Dick Huie. Front row: Joe House, Don Rowland, Joe O'Neil, Dick White, Jack Farris. Below, top row: Charli Tate, Don Rowland, Peggy Miller, Sue Bone, Joan Quill. Second row: Judy Keating, Bob Markham, Del Karsian, Toddy Voorhees, Dick Huie. Front row: Sue House, Peg Wheeler, Barbara O'Neil, Cynthia White Nina Farris.



1957: Boy, am I glad I didn't go Air Force!



1957: John Stokes receives the ACM in VN.

Although Dick Mollicone and the rest of our AF contingent may feel left out, it's "Congratulations all around," as those in Army Green pinned on oak leaves in August and September. Nothing expresses the general feeling better than the photo of early-bird Leon Bieri suffering through the promotion ceremony at the hands of Gen. Taber on 20 May. Leon, attending C&GSC at the time, is now in VN.

The least we can do for our long-suffering classmates in blue, then, is to give you top billing in the column this issue. Besides, Ed Quill and the gang at the AF Academy, in expected style, have combined AF technological skill with the AF *joie de vivre* and sent us a tape of their 1 May 66 picnic, described as "entirely spontaneous." But here's the poop:

Ed Quill, whose persistence with microphone and portable tape recorder deserves mention, is expecting to spend 2 more years at the AF Academy. Ed and Joan also sent along some snapshots, which I trust will appear in these columns. Dick White, who began his AF career briefing generals, has now turned full circle and is briefing cadets in physics, after taking his Ph.D. degree at Ohio State. Dick and Cynthia have a 2-year-old daughter.

Ed's microphone picked up this bit of dialogue from Don Miller: "My wife told me to say that I'm happily married with two little girls." Don is happily married to Peggy and flies for the ADC in Colorado. Ted Voorhees came to the picnic from Fort Carson where he is assigned to the 5th Inf Div. Joe House, also representing the Army, has just been assigned to NORAD Hq after a tour in VN. Joe has done advanced work with missiles at Fort Sill, incidentally.

Dick Huie has been doing some sort of work with AFSC at the AFA and is returning to Hansen Field, Mass., to work on the air defense systems there. Jack Farris is our man in the AFA Tactical Dept, although he is called an "AOC," Air Officer Commanding. Jack had been with SAC flying the B-47 and the B-52. Dick Bone was present (see other blurb about Dick) although about to leave for VN. Dick noted that the 15 at the party represented the AF Academy, the 5th Div, ARADCOM (W/NORAD), ADC, and the DoD (If I knew, I'd tell you.). Don Rowland had just arrived to teach math. Bob Markham will also teach math there. Bob and Don did their Master's work at the U. of Michigan. Joe O'Neal, at the AFA for 2 years already, expects to be there for 2 more years with Barbara and their two girls. Peggy and Mike Keating and two children have joined the Mechanics Dept, coming from a tour at Wright-Patterson AFB.

Fred Freathy also joined the Math Dept after graduate work at Michigan, and if that's not enough, Bill Page and Charlie Wheeler (next year?) will instruct math too. Bill got his Master's at N.C. State. Ted Voorhees, incidentally, says Ed Hildreth is at R.P.I. preparing to teach math at USMA. At about this point in the tape, my machine, or the tape, or both, began a capricious censorship, so I must apologize for what might seem to be incomplete reporting of the remainder.

At any rate it's clear that Ben Waller is teaching at the AFA, that Archie Barrett was found sober in his office, and that he has three children. Ray Karsian has been with IBM in Denver for several years, married Gail Peters in 1964, and is a weekend ski bum when possible. Les Tate is working for Gates Rubber Co. in Denver (the grapevine was correct), and he and Charlie extend an open invitation to all when in Denver. Les's

address is: 7743 West Iowa Drive, Denver, Colo.

Ed Quill and Dick Bone also reported on Bill Golden, who is at the U. of Chicago working on a Master's; Mike Stein, who has transferred to AIS; and Jack McDaniel, who is now a real estate mogul in Los Angeles. Walt Rabe is in VN flying an F4C but will soon return to AFA to teach aero- or astrophysics. Tom Keeley is teaching at a ritzy boys' school in the Dallas area(?). Other names and facts were evidently on the tape, but a tanker's ears couldn't make them out. Many thanks to Ed Quill for rounding up all of these names and facts from Colorado Springs. We look forward to more news from you.

The '57 promotion party after the Kansas State game was a frabjous success. The scene was Barth Hall (the dance hall at Camp Buckner), and entertainment, so far as I can recall, was furnished by nearly everybody. At one point in the evening I was under the distinct impression that I heard bagpipes—a figment, no doubt. John Bloomfield, whose Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps (3d Inf) had performed at the Kansas State game earlier, played some colonial rag. John is S3 of the 3d Inf in Washington; his address is: 5608 Hershey Lane, Alexandria, Va. 22312. The notes following were taken under conditions best described as fuzzy, so no claim is made for accuracy. John Bloomfield says that Speed Negaard is "tactical" in his job with ACS for Intelligence at the Pentagon. "Tactical," according to John, means Pentagon duty 12 hours per day, 7 days a week, as opposed to the "strategic" people who work a 5-day week.

Here are some random notes from the promotion party, arranged in increasing order of incoherence. Joe and Mary Beben, assigned to the Navy Ordnance School at Indian Head, Md., have had a baby girl after four boys. And that reminds me, James B. Kaiser Jr. was born to Jim and Barbara in March. Ed Szvetcz is S3 of a Bn of the 18th Inf, 1st Div, in VN, Joe Bishop reports. Ed's wife Pam is at Benning. Martin and Val Carson are enjoying an unusual assignment in New Delhi, India, with the MAAG there. Joe Bishop, by the way, was post engineer in exotic Korat, Thailand, before his assignment to Physics here. Don Sadler is running a nuclear reactor for a nuclear power training program at Fort Belvoir. He and Jane have two boys now.

Dick Morton has volunteered for a 2d tour in VN—best guess is that Inge is in Rio de Janeiro, her home, meanwhile. Jim and Peggy Taylor and three children are at Furman U., in Greenville, S.C., with the MS&T Dept.

Dana and Nancy Mead unburdened themselves of several tidbits as follows. Hop Keeler is finishing work at M.I.T. for a Ph.D. in political science. Dana says Hop has written a Ph.D. dissertation which he is pleased to call "Creativity and Innovation." If demand proves strong enough, we will print it serially here in the following months. Hop and Gail should be at the AF Academy by now. Freddy Smith is working on an M.B.A. at Harvard Business School and, according to Dana Mead, is unmarried but willing. Freddy will apply his new skills in the AF office of deputy CS for personnel.

Gordon Williams is an AF exchange pilot with the Navy flying off the carrier U.S.S. *Ranger*, now off VN, I think. Sea duty has kept Gordon a bachelor, we understand. Howie Haupt is now at Edwards AFB in California? Herbie Koops, now out of the AF, has finished Harvard Medical School, with honors, and is doing his residency with a

few select super-scholars at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston.

Ken Harmon is having a more colorful life than most of us—one of his paintings now hangs in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. His hobby is working with money at the New England Merchants' Bank of Boston.

Noel Fedje, our giant, smiling Scandinavian, is responsible for several current ARMY football stars (Schwartz, Lindell). Noel is an insurance agent in Fargo, N.Dak. Ted Pearson recently finished his M.S. in E.E. at Northeastern U., in Boston and then, for a utilization tour—you guessed it, VN. John Follansbee is going to medical school in Natick, Mass., at the Natick Environmental Control Lab. Jack Cooper, who has been in VN flying Hueys and advising a Vietnamese infantry unit, is doing Master's work in electricity at Northeastern U. His next tour will be here with "Juice."

You will all be pleased to know that Don Kutyna is on the NASA astronaut qualification ladder. Don took an M.S. in astrophysics at M.I.T. and is now a test pilot at Edwards AFB, Calif. We're all pulling for you, Don!

More random notes from the promotion party: Jack and Pat Murphy are in Pittsburgh where Jack is working on a Master's in engineering. Jim MacGill is an instructor at Fort Benning after a tour in VN with a Vietnamese Ranger Bn. Lou Circeo should be completing his tour in Thailand and returning—where, Lou? Nick Robinson is out in Kansas attending C&GS. Rumor has it he's headed back to the Military Art Dept here.

Rob Roller (seconds on noses) expressed some concern at the party that Barry Fox should be considering marriage at his advanced age. Rob says that Ellis Parker is a successful lawyer and real estate dealer in Washington, D.C. He is self-employed, whatever that means. Speaking of the employed, Tony Bullotta finished the T.W.A. pilot training program just in time to be a grounded co-pilot during the airline strike. T.W.A. testimonial: "I'm eatin' beans, man!" Jack Smith is also in the Washington area; Rob reports that he is a top salesman for IBM.

Guy Wallace, who flew in VN for a year, has volunteered for another tour there after 6 months in the States.

Joe Shimek passes on the following poop: Don Whalen, until recently commanding a howitzer battery in VN, hopes to move up to an S3 position soon, since he was "promoted out of a job." Don says that John McDonald, the S3 of 1/327, was evacuated with malaria in August. Al Ensign commanded a company in the same battalion at last notice. Jerry Scott, who not so long ago was exchanging fire with the communists in the demilitarized zone in Korea, is a company commander with the 502d in VN. This has all been changed by promotions by now, I would guess. Don also reports that John Loberg "is doing something in Phan Rang," and that Ron Gooding has been joined by Phebe for a tour of the Far East. Don, by the way, recently had the opportunity to try that classic Arty maneuver, direct fire at point-blank range. Needless to say, the VC came in a poor second.

Jack Meehan gathered the following: George McGovern is at Fort Gordon, Ga., in the post G3 section. Parks and Sue Houser are at Benning. Parks is wearing 2 hats, as Bn XO and as S3 of a Basic Combat Tng Bn there. Ace Manahan is at Cape Kennedy with the missile center (?), and Carl Burgdorf is "somewhere" in Europe. Jon Dunning now commands a QM Co. in VN. Bill Seely is still in VN as S3 of the 12th Cav. Jack says that Bill Meyerholt is flying F-105's over VN.

Jack Shannon was at West Point for the Kansas State game; he had just returned from Mannheim on his way to VN via the MATA course at Bragg. Jack is one of many who were leaving the Mannheim area recently. John Burt and Clancy Hall both left for VN from that area, John for a new logistics unit, Clancy for jungle parts unknown. Ole Olson, formerly in the 3/509 in Germany, is now at C&GS.

Rich Daluga is starting a 2-year Master's program in literature at the U. of Mass., after which he will teach English at USMA. Bob and Beth Merrick are at Qtrs 15, Miller Army Air Field, Staten Island, N.Y. 10306. Bob is also studying literature at Columbia U. before returning here.

Random notes and addresses: Church Matthews is stationed at Watervliet Arsenal, N.Y. His address there is Qtrs 2. Bill Davies is bringing culture to Arkadelphia, Ark., where he teaches ROTC at Henderson State Teachers College on the side.

Don and Diane Schaffer announced the birth of daughter Alene Rae in April. Don is now a northern lumber tycoon in Duluth, Minn. (Address: 2001 East 2d St.) Jim Trainor is a civilian, the managing editor of *Armed Forces Management* (\$1 a copy, yet), "published for free world military executives," in Washington, D.C.

Hawk Conrad is an Armor instructor at Benning, we hear. Bill Duncan was also there at last notice. Joe Masterson is an assistant professor at North Shore Community College, in Beverly, Mass. He is teaching electricity and working for Professor John Little who is an academic wheel there. Joe got married last spring with the assistance of best man Jim O'Connor. Joe's address is: 33 Hart St., Beverly Farms, Mass.

J.J. Gargan ex-'57, is finishing work for a Ph.D. in social sciences and working, meanwhile, for the N.Y. State Legislature in Albany. His address is: 356C Hackett Blvd., Albany, N.Y.

Would you believe Max Kovel didn't send me any poop this month? That's once. Actually Max forwarded a letter from Dick Bone to the Loeffkes. Dick is in Vung Tau, VN. Wife Susie and son Allan are near Malibu, Calif., near the grandparents. Meanwhile, Dick braves the jungle complaining only that he doesn't have a command.

Justin La Porte has found a haven at Yale where he has been teaching ROTC for 3 years. He says his association with the young men of Yale has made the tour extremely pleasant. Jus has done a fine job there as assistant lacrosse coach. As a matter of fact, Yale managed to beat ARMY 12-8 last year with the help of Jus—only the 2d time Yale has ever done this. That's good, Jus, just keep it up; we're turning Ben Clvphis loose on you. Jus sent along news of his old roommates, Bill Melton and Bob Buckner. Bill, recently promoted, "heads the Winston-Salem, N.C., area in some capacity" for IBM. Bob Buckner, in his first year as head basketball coach of DeWitt Clinton High School, in N.Y.C., coached his team to an undefeated string of 23 games and the N.Y.C. basketball championship. As Jus notes, this is quite an accomplishment in that league. Bob teaches there also and lives with wife JoAnn and four children in Hastings on Hudson.

Moon Mullins wrote from Tucson, Ariz., this summer. He was with an F-4C (Phantom II) training program and going to the U. of Arizona for an M.B.A. on the side (Tdy Bootstrap). Life has changed somewhat with Moon—he married 2½ years ago (June), and he and wife Florine have a son Todd. At the moment Moon is attending the Air Command

and Staff School; address: 4335 Sunshine Drive, Montgomery, Ala. Doug and Ann Patterson and their two children were in Tucson also; Doug, too, was working on the M.B.A. at the U. of Arizona.

Moon has heard from Frank Knight and Jerry Jagrowski but can't pin them down any closer than VN or George AFB, Calif. Ben Glyphis is working nights on a master's degree in production engineering. He and Sophia are at Randolph AFB, Tex., where Ben is a T-38 instructor. Moon asks, and I second the motion, "where is McClanahan?" As a matter of interest, where are all of you not mentioned in the column lately? VN has made keeping track more difficult than ever. Since the column deadline is roughly 3 months in advance of publication date (next deadline, 6 January), you get the ASSEMBLY at about the deadline date each time. Consequently, any news you send has to wait several months, getting staler and staler each day. News received in late September, for example, after the 15 Sept deadline, misses the Homecoming issue and comes out in the winter issue, some 5 months later! The solution: write a card or brief letter often.

Now for the press releases. Bob McCoy was awarded the USAF Outstanding Unit Award for work which "vastly improved research capability, to meet technological requirements of the Air Force in years ahead." Bob is with the Office of Aerospace Research, in Arlington, Va. John Stokes got the ACM in June for meritorious service with VIII Corps Hq, in Austin, Tex. John is now in the Vietnam Flight Detachment in Tan Son Nhut.

Jim Woolnough, who has retired from active duty, received the ACM/OLC for "exceptional services as program manager of the Hughes XV-9A Program" in 65-66. The XV-9A is a "hot-cycle research aircraft"—honest.

The educational fund is officially dead. Now the question is: do we want to gather any money for long-term goals (gifts to USMA, etc.)? Let us know. Note that the new class column address is: Class of 1957, P.O. Box 34, West Point, N.Y. 10996.

And, don't forget to: (1) mail in your ballots for the '57 constitution, and (2) send \$10 for the monument to our fallen classmates. The monument will be up by June, Whit Hall says!

A thousand thanks to Nancy Stevens, who graciously consented to type this endeavor despite the demands of the new daughter, Kathryn Anne.

I managed to snatch the column out of the jaws of the press just in time to include these mailbag and Homecoming party tidbits. First, the mailbag. Jim Cortez responded nicely to my poop-getting plan (print enough lies, and they'll all write in) claiming that he, Marie, and sons Mike and Steve are actually in Champaign-Urbana where Jim attends the U. of Ill. (M.A. in psychology). Jim joins MP&L here in February. Chico Stone and family just arrived there also. Chico is doing graduate work in geography prior to a tour with ES&CS at USMA. Note Jim's address: 2009 Country Squire Drive, Urbana, Ill. 61801.

Bill Golden sends greetings from Chicago and a list of our current Leavenworth grads, which includes: Bill, Leo Bieri, Bob Drudik, Len Marrella, Joe Newman, Ed Olsmith, Speed Negaard, and Dick Scholtes. Don Wells and Len Hanawald have also been assigned to CG&S. Bill is going to return to USMA in June 67 with a Master's in sociology—to MP&L, where else? Address: 140 Nashua, Park Forest, Ill. 60466. Still another prospective MP&L type writes in; Darrold Erickson will be here in June 67 also after taking an M.B.A. at Harvard. Dar-

rold's address is: 140 Revere St., Winthrop, Mass. 02152. End mailbag.

Seen among those returning for Homecoming were: Ken Harmon, Jus La Porte, and Freddy Smith (see above). Also on hand were former hockey artists Jim O'Connor and Ed Hickey. T.W.A. is still waving proudly with Waxie Gordon and Tony Bullotta, and Wall Street type John Ledbetter (Van Arstyn, Noel, & Co., 40 Wall St., N.Y., N.Y. 10005) looked prosperous despite the state of the market. Al Bell was on hand and claims Joselyn Jones will marry him in Hartford, Conn., this October. Joe Spector dropped down from exclusive Short Hills, N.J., where he is re-creating the Hanging Gardens of Babylon in his back yard. Lawyers Charlie Hug and Brian Kennedy also came in from N.J., and Gene Beimforde and wife Marla came in from N.Y.C. Ed Gee, Bob Jones, Jerry Schumacher, Ray Ketchum, and Carl Waldenmaier rounded out the visiting group joining us for a wet but glorious Homecoming. Thanks to Rob Roller and other locals for the party arrangements.

Well, that's it. Next time: "Can Just Plain Jus Find Happiness at Yale?" "Will M.I.T. really give Dana Mead a Ph.D.?" plus, the third in our continuing series on Baga Stein among the VC, and much, much more. So write, write, write!

'58

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The month of August saw the Class here at West Point begin to crank up the system for another academic year—the 9th since our graduation. First order of business was a picnic at Lake Stilwell to which most of the 63 members (including associates) flocked. My thanks to Sam Myers for the picture that appears with the column. Close examination, besides revealing that the sun was strong and the shadows distinct, shows roughly from right to left: Sam and Leslie Myers, Jack and Marge Downing, Bill and Lee Licht (associate), Sylvia Clark, Pat Burke, Neil and Carol Mathis, Jim and Dee Hall, Bill and Helen Tuttle, Stu and Eve Willis, Lee and Carol Miller, Ken and Valerie Lager, Dick and Fini Thomas, George and Gail Robertson, Herb and Betty Puscheck, Gary and Sylvia Graves, Bob and Trinky Grete, Dale and Dodie Hruby, Neil and Marilyn Williamson, Lon and Suzie Spurlock, Tom and Emily Carpenter, John and Nancy



1958: Frank Smith, AF Aerospace Research Pilot School, Edwards AFB, Calif.



1958: John Abernathy receives the Air Medal and USAF Commendation Medal from Maj. Gen. V.R. Haugen, AFIT Commandant.

Sewall, Tony and Carol Smith, Dick and Judy Oberg, Jack and Lynn Bradshaw, Terry and Harriet Connell, Ray and Norma Miller, Don and Karen Martin, Bob and Barbara Hayden, Pat and Betty Donovan, Jim and Rae Ramsden, Cliff and Noreen Victorine, Al and Judy Salisbury, and Carl and Susan Sullinger. Phew! Try to say that sentence in one breath!

Armor: Gary Graves received the Silver Star for gallantry in Vietnam from the Superintendent in August. Gary was cited for his heroic actions and personal example in combat while serving as advisor to the 2d Troop, 2d Armd Cav Sqdn, ARVN. In addition, Gary wears the Bronze Star for valor with oak leaf cluster, the Purple Heart, and numerous Vietnamese awards. Gary is presently a Tac here at West Point. He and his wife Sylvia have two daughters, Garilou and Melanie Anne.

Mike and Ellie Mahler became the proud parents of a second daughter, Jennifer Michal, born on 14 Sept at the West Point hospital.

A letter from Max Young's wife, Nancy, indicates that Pete Kullavanijaya has performed yeoman tasks in escorting them about Bangkok. Pete returned to the U.S. in July for several weeks at Fort Bragg. His current address is: 281 Lane 17, Agarn Longkrau, Turgmahamek, Bangkok, Thailand. Another Armor file in Bangkok is Charles Miller who, with wife, resides at: Box 88 MACTHAI APO SF 96346. I'm told they both speak Thai like natives. The Millers will be in Thailand for a 2-year stint.

John Schneider, who has been stationed at Niagara U. since July 64, has orders for Vietnam in November. Until that date John will shuffle through the Staff Intelligence Course at Fort Holabird, Md. I'm certain that mail will reach him via the school.

Last, but not least, Bill Clary has joined the Foreign Language Dept here at USMA. He was previously a student at the University of Mainz, Germany.

Artillery: Bob Higgins returned from Vietnam on 13 June and is now at the Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey, Calif., for a course in nuclear effects engineering. While in Vietnam Bob spent 8 months as an advisor at the district level, and almost 4 months as an Arty LnO with the 1st Bn, 77th Arty, assigned to the 1st Cav Div. Bob states that in the latter job, he had the privilege of adjusting 105, 155, 8-inch, and 175mm for the preps over there, most of the time several calibers simultaneously. Bob and Jan, with their two sons, Robert and Neil, will be living at Fort Ord during the 2-year course.

Art Mace returned from Vietnam in August. He, Jackie, and Allen will be living at Fort Sam Houston, Art's new assignment.



1958. Gary Graves receives the Silver Star from Maj. Gen. Bennett, USMA Superintendent, for heroic action in Vietnam.

Paul and Jo Makowski added a fourth child to their family with the birth of Deborah Elaine on 15 Sept. Paul is with the Math Dept, USMA. Bill and Antonia Gialourakis became parents for the first time on 26 June 1966. Their daughter Stamic weighed in at 6 lbs., 9 oz., at the West Point Army Hospital.

Fred Kulik joined the Dept of Physics and Chemistry on 17 July. Fred and Shirley were previously at Purdue University. Wally and Jo Ward are still at Georgia Tech. Wally hopes to complete his schooling in aeronautical engineering in June 67.

Engineers: Ron and Karen Hudson announced the birth of their third child, Craig R., on 27 Sept. Bill Cooper was awarded the Bronze Star for operations against hostile forces in Vietnam during the period April 65 to April 66. Bill is with the Dept of Physics and Chemistry.

Joe Paes departed West Point in June for Vietnam. Prior to his departure he was presented with the CM by General Scott, Commandant of Cadets, USMA. Joe had served as Asst Plans Officer and Course Director, Office of Military Instruction. Bob Dey also received the CM prior to his departure for Vietnam. Bob had been stationed with the 2d Avn Det, USMA, and had a rather brief 13-month tour (as compared with the normal 3-year academic tour).

A letter from Joan Collins indicates that Sam is still in Berlin, now Opns officer, G3 Div, Berlin Bde Hq. The Collinses saw Terry and Jackie Howard in Berlin for a brief period

in June. Pete and Carol Groh are with the 39th Engr Gp stationed in Ulm, Germany, as are John and Patty Hill.

Tom Sands is currently an R&D coordinator with the U.S. Army Avn Test Facility at Edwards AFB. He and Janice live at: 6754 Rickenbacker Dr., Edwards AFB, Calif. **Infantry:** Doug and Pat MacLeod had a son Michael Albert on 13 June, at USMA. Doug is with the Admissions Office. I had the opportunity this summer to visit with Jude Theibert at Valley Forge Army Hospital in Phoenixville, Pa. Jude is in the process of undergoing a prosthesis of the right leg below the knee. The injury, the most serious of several, was incurred in Vietnam shortly before his rotation. Jude was accompanying his Vietnamese unit on a mission in the Delta when he stepped on a mine. I'm told that he and Jo Anne are now living in Phoenixville, while Jude "commutes" to the hospital. He hopes to take advantage of civil schooling which would allow him to recuperate gradually, but first he must undergo a medical evaluation board.

Fred Goodenough passed through West Point this summer en route to Fort Lewis, Wash., where he was to join a unit packaging for Vietnam. Fred, Jean, and their family had been in Germany but 4 months when the turn-about orders arrived. Joan is presently living in the Oakwood Apts., New Windsor, near Newburgh, N.Y.

It's fairly well confirmed that Tony Nadal was awarded the Silver Star. He returned from Vietnam in July, and he and Billie are now in Stillwater, Okla., where Tony will attend Oklahoma State.

Intelligence: John Schaffer has orders from Monterey to Indiana U., Bloomington, Ind., for a course in government. Following a year there, he expects to attend a State Dept school on Taiwan for more Chinese language training. His last mailing address was: 203 Algeria Rd., Fort Ord, Calif.

Ordnance: Prior to departing USMA in June, John Palmer was the recipient of a Freedom's Foundation Award for his entry in their annual contest for letters dealing with particular patriotic themes. The presentation was made by the Superintendent. Though John's address will be rather flexible over the next year, I'm certain he or Barbara can be reached at: Box 6, Route 1, Robertsedale, Ala. **Signal:** Stu Willis has completed his doctorate in physics at R.P.I. and has joined the Physics Dept, USMA. He and Eve have two children, Michelle and Jimmy.



1958: John Palmer receives a Freedom's Foundation award from the Superintendent, USMA.

USAF: John Kubiak took Mary Welsh for his wife recently. Burt Miller is presently a forward air controller at Bom Me in Vietnam. Dick McManigell has been decorated with the 1st through the 5th oak leaf clusters to the Air Medal at Hurlburt Field, Fla. The decorations, of course, stem from efforts in Vietnam with TAC.

Teddy Timberlake has been spotted again! This time he was sighted in a jewelry store in Bangkok by Max and Nancy Young who were on a 10-day leave in Thailand from Max's home base at Clark in the Philippines. I'm told that Teddy is stationed at Naha. The Youngs apparently had a fabulous time. They live in Qtrs 158, Clark Field, P.I., and welcome any classmates. Their mailing address is: Box 50, 13th TAC B.S., APO San Francisco 96274.

John Abernathy was awarded the Air Medal and the CM at Wright-Patterson AFB in August. The first was for air effort, the second for outstanding achievement as an information officer and historian in SE. Asia. Presently, John is studying for an advanced degree at the AFIT. Ab is married; he and Nancy have two children, Mark Steven and Kerry Lee.

Frank Smith has completed the select Aerospace Research Pilot School, at Edwards AFB, and has since been reassigned to fly the F-105 in SE. Asia. Paul Ruud has been extended for an additional 2-year tour at Texas A&M after January 1967, for further work on a doctorate in statistics. Paul will be assigned at a later date to USAFA. Paul, Mary, and their children Catherine and Paul



1958: Class gathering at Stilwell Lake, USMA, August 1966.

Jr., are all enjoying Texas. Home address is: 505 Helena St., Bryan, Tex. 77801. Paul will receive his M.S. in January 67. Bill **Stambaugh** is attending Syracuse U. under AFIT. His address is: 1438 E. Genessee St., Syracuse. Bill's last assignment was with the 351st Bomb Sqdn, Pease AFB. Alan Chase is attending Oklahoma State U., in Stillwater, Okla., for his M.S. in mechanical engineering. He expects to complete his work in January 68. He and wife **Donna**, with their children **Cynthia** and **Alan**, are living at: 308S Payne St., Stillwater, Okla. 74074.

John McKillop completed SOS at Maxwell AFB on 5 Aug 1966. **Walt Patterson**, having received his M.S. in math at Syracuse, has joined the Math Dept at USAFA.

In closing, the contributions made by several members of the Class toward cohesion and spirit here at West Point deserve notice. The local class committee which has served for the past year was composed of: **George Robertson**, chairman; **Bob Baker**, vice chairman (Social); and **Bill Tuttle**, secretary-treasurer. In recent elections they have been replaced respectively by: **Dick Reynard**, **Dale Hruby**, and **Jim Ramsden**.

Hope to see you in Philadelphia... "Ladies and Gentlemen, the United States Corps of Cadets"... Beat 'em!

'59

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The class contingent here at West Point began the new year happily by throwing a beer bust at Round Pond to welcome its incoming members. Rib steaks grilled to order by Chef **Rush Yelverton**, an ear of corn awarded to **Don Davis** as first prize in the joke-telling contest, and the slosh of keg brew in the glass of Chief Guzzler **Palmer Johnson** are impressions which will perpetuate 12 Aug in our memories. **Dick Welch** was in charge of the affair, and he, **George Kleb**, **Marty Plassmeyer**, and other members of the ad hoc class committee here received much praise for an enjoyable picnic.

We've had over a month to reorient now, however, and we can give full time to anticipation of the next party. Homecoming Saturday evening is the time, and the West Point railroad station is the place. **Kleb**, we feel, executed a brilliant coup by making reservations with the stationmaster back in May, as we are one of the few non-reunion classes to have more than a patch of grassy ground to do anything upon that weekend. As it stands, we hope to have one of the largest gatherings of the clan since graduation and look forward to seeing many of you who may make it up for the game.

There are about 50 of us stationed at West Point now, and according to **Dick Bennett**, who is an assistant to the Dean, our numbers should peak either this year or next. For those of you who keep locators up to date, and for others who seek a lost roommate, here is a list of us: **Abrahamson**, **Dawkins**, and **Hutton** (Soc Sci); **Beach**, **Hilmes**, **Bruce Johnson**, **Kleb**, **Marsh**, and **Welch** (Mech); **Bennett** and **McConville** (Dean's Office); **Bohman**, **Buell**, **Hightower**, **Moore**, **Neal**, **Kevin O'Neill**, **Schmidt**, **Tyler**, and **Wilmoth** (Fgn Lang); **Briggs**, **Ferguson**, **Garcia**, **Palmer Johnson**, **Riordan**, **Tomiczek**, and **Bruce Williams** (Physics); **Coreth**, **Delikat**, **Franks**, and **Plassmeyer** (English); **Don Davis** (OMI); **Jim Gibbs**, **Huntington**, **Martin**, and **Murry** (Chem); **Harrell**, **Plummer**, **Pokorny**, **Svendsen**, and **Thudium** (ES&GS); **Ivey** (2d Avn Det); **Krawciw** (Tac); **Langford** (OPE); **Ranch** (Elec); **Reinhard** and

Ross (Ord); **Wentworth** (AOC); and **Yelverton** and **Zaldo** (Math).

Three weddings took place this summer, and there is one to report from last year. **Don Svendsen** married **Nancy Blake** on 9 July in Richmond, Va. They now live here in Qtrs 2-12. **Jim Gibbs** married **Liz Mahan** in San Antonio on 16 July, and they now live in Highland Falls at E-8 Regency Apts. **Buse Tully** and **Connie Cooperider** were married here at the Holy Trinity Chapel on 20 Aug. **Buse** is currently enrolled in the Armor career course at Fort Knox. **J.J. Koisch** was married in August 1965, at El Paso, and left for Vietnam around the following November. I believe his bride teaches school in El Paso.

And there are two additions of the other type in the ranks since last issue. The first is **Mary Sullivan**, a third daughter, who was born to the **John McNeerneys** on 14 June and now lives with her mother at 411 Garfield Ave., Avon, N.J. She arrived 3 days before **John** departed for Vietnam, where he now advises the 1st Bn of the VN Abn Div. The second is **Deirdre Anne**, born to **Judy** and **Pete Keogh** on 30 July in Minneapolis. **Pete** graduated from Brooklyn Law School in June 1965 and has taken a position with Northwest Orient Airlines in Minneapolis. His job involves the negotiation of fees with airport officials, the leasing of real estate, the construction of airport facilities, and extensive travel both in the U.S. and in Asia. The **Keoghs'** address is: 9772 Penn Ave. S.

Jim Massey has transferred to Ordnance, has two girls and a boy, is studying for his Master's at N. Mex. State, and hopes to go to Vietnam next. He believes that **Craig Bertolett** (now in Korea) and **Bruce Medaris** (now in Vietnam) will both return for the Ordnance career course at the end of this year. **Bob Crawford** is presently doing graduate work at the U. of Arizona, and I understand that he is programmed for duty with the Math Dept at USAFA.

Gerry Noga graduated from the George Washington U. Medical School in June. He is considering radiology as a specialty and interns at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco. **Bernie Watlington** graduated from the Sqdn Officer School at Maxwell in August. He and **Wanda** are now at Kirtland AFB, N.Mex. **Steve Werbel** graduates from Brooklyn Law School this January. **Rex Rhein** is with McGraw-Hill Publications in Atlanta.

Don Davis saw **Jerry Fogel** playing a role in an episode of the TV program, "That Girl," a few nights ago. **Jerry** writes that he will be the car salesman in the commercial that introduces the '67 Plymouth, and one infers from the tone of his letter that the California air is agreeing with him. He, **Brenda**, and the boys live at: 2405 Roscomare Rd., Apt. 1, Los Angeles 90024.

That's the news, troops, sparse as it is. Please send the poop, and we'll have a bonanza next issue!

'60

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"CPT" will never look right. It looks as if someone started to abbreviate "corporal" and hit the wrong key. Oh, well, on to the business at hand.

Editor's note: *ultra conservative AOG will wait to see if the new abbreviations for rank will catch on.*

Here at Benning a new flock of classmates has arrived to fight the "Battle of Building #4," otherwise known as the career course. They include: **Joe Arnold**, **Sonny Ash**, **Charlie Baker**, **TJ Bara**, **Don Barrell**, **Dick**



1960: Hank Drewfs with Vietnamese counterpart.

Boyd, **Wally Crum**, **Ted Danielsen**, **Mert Darling**, **Jim Douglas**, **Jack Elder**, **Jerry Epley**, **Mike Ferguson**, **Bill Florence**, **Pat Holland**, **Fred Johnson**, **John Lenti**, **Mark Lowrey**, **Swift Martin**, **Les Mason**, **Zeke Miller**, **Dan Smith**, **Joel Sugdinis**, **John Taylor**, **Tom Taylor**, and **Bill Willoughby**.

Tom Caraballo returned from Vietnam in August, picked up **Nancy** and their new daughter, and departed for Germany. I hope they're luckier than some people I've known and get to stay until their household goods arrive. Everyone seems to be getting curtailed in Europe these days. **Chris** and **Joan Gigicos** had their second girl this summer. **Chris** is still with the Infantry Board. **George Giacoppe** transferred to the Chemical Corps and is with the Chemical committee of the Infantry School. **Buddy Robocker** is with the Artillery committee of the school. **Jim Fairchild** is Asst S3 and S2 of a Bde at Benning's Army Training Center.

Bri Chabot (Adv Tm 34, VNMA, APO SF 96314) is advising at the Vietnamese Military Academy at Dalat. He's also the local Psywar advisor. He says he actually found a cool spot in Vietnam. Dalat is nearly a mile high. **Bri** took **Margot** back to Nuremberg to stay with her parents while he's in Vietnam. **Wayne Gillespie** is also at Dalat.

Pat Flannery (12043 Viers Mill Rd., Wheaton, Md.) is now an Army doctor, having received his M.D. from the New Jersey College of Medicine and Dentistry. He received the 1966 Upjohn Award for scholastic excellence in medicine. Our Class seems to be raking in its share of awards. **Pat** and **Mikel Ann** have moved to the DC area to be near **Walter Reed Hospital** where **Pat** will serve his internship. **John Denton** is attending the U. of Ala. Medical School.

Edith Bauer (2008 Bullard St., Montgomery, Ala.) writes that **Dave** went to Vietnam in July. He's an adjutant with the 6/56th at Bien Hoa. **Edith**, **Stephen**, and **Amanda** are staying with her parents in Montgomery.

Ed Deagle (7 Country Lane, Sharon, Mass.) sent me a traffic violation card dated 28 June. The offender was one **Michael C. Deagle**, who was charged with exceeding the speed limit in the delivery room. **Les** and **Nina Beavers** (1929 S. Rendon St., New Orleans, La.) adopted a baby girl last April. They named her **Lisa Dianne**.

Walt Wilson (DE/MS CS USAES, Fort Belvoir, Va.) received his M.S. in civil engineering last May at Texas A&M with **John Wilkes**, **Bob Foye**, and **Don Hubbard**. **Walt** is now an instructor at the Engr school. He and **Barbara** were expecting No. 3 in September. **Tom Donahue** is working for duPont in Richmond. He and **Judy** have two girls. **Fred Hall** also works in Richmond. **Charlie Coon** is at Colorado Springs keeping track of all the man-made objects floating around in space.

Wayne and **Nancy Clay** (219 W. Cheyenne Rd., Exeter Arms, Apt. 108, Colorado Springs, Colo.) have been having quite a run

of bad luck. The worst came on 25 May when the house they were renting caught fire, and they lost everything they owned. Nancy just had time to get the children out. They were fortunate to have many friends and neighbors who helped them get back on their feet. Looking on the brighter side of things, Wayne was promoted to manager of production planning at Hewlett Packard.

George Heckman (Det A-412, 5th SFG (Abn), APO SF 96215) is commanding an "A" detachment on the Cambodian border. His camp contains 700 Vietnamese troops and a VN S/F team plus his own detachment. Sounds like quite an empire. Lois is teaching 6th grade in Iowa. John Hargrove completed Sqdn officer school at Maxwell AFB, Ala., last August. Hank Drewfs is Asst G2 advisor with the ARVN 5th Div at Phu Loi.

The Editor has informed all class Scribes that because of the increasing volume of material, ASSEMBLY will no longer print baby pictures. Don't let that stop you from sending pictures of class get-togethers, though.

The class executive committee has asked that the following be included in the column:

The members of the Class stationed at West Point recently elected current officers of the class executive committee. This committee functions, in the absence of the regular class officers, as a coordinating body for class affairs. Past duties have included: reunion planning, service at funerals of classmates, etc. Officers elected were: president, Joe Felber; secretary, Reed Bennett; treasurer, Joe Skinner; social chairman, Dick Gates.

The Class maintains a post office box permanently at West Point for class correspondence. Any information concerning class affairs can be transmitted via this box. The address: Class of 1960, P.O. Box 6, West Point, N.Y. 10996.

A reunion newsletter was prepared and mailed to the latest address of each classmate on file with the AOG in the spring. For some unaccountable reason the AOG's automated mailing equipment skipped a rather large segment of the Class, and now we don't know who failed to get the newsletter. Rest assured, no offense was intended if you didn't get your copy. We still have a supply and will gladly dispatch one to you if you'll drop us a line at P.O. Box 6.

The results of the voting by the Class on the proposal to donate \$1,000 to the Superintendent's Fund are as follows: For—93%, Against—7%. Therefore, in the near future the \$1,000 donation will be made.

There is a need for a class constitution and appropriate by-laws to cover the procedures and functions of the executive committee. The present committee has been designated to draft these and to submit them to the class officers for comments and recommendations. They will then be forwarded to all classmates for final approval. It is hoped these by-laws will be ready in the near future.

BEAT NAVY!

'61

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An account of a spring class reunion at Fort Knox arrived shortly after the deadline for the last issue. Although that party could almost be classified as history, it still bears recounting. Pete Boylan forwarded a run-down on all the participants; for the sake of brevity I'll only include those who haven't been mentioned in the past several ASSEMBLY articles.

Pete has since left Knox for the 1st Inf Div, along with Scotty Dillard and Sam Wilder. Among the others at the party on orders for MACV were: Carl Bacon, Bill Chandler, Bill Deuel, Bill Griffiths, Bruce Heron, Web Kremer, Court Rittgers, Monte Sloan, and RJ Wooten. Walt Ligon was bound for Korea, and Jim Tedrick had orders for the 9th Inf Div's Armd Cav Sqdn. Larry Prather was slated for duty at Fort Irwin, Calif., and Mike Hale left for the U. of Va. to study nuclear engineering. Al Wetzel and Bob Worthy were assigned to the Tng center at the Armor School; Bob, incidentally, recently earned his commission through OCS. Quinn Pearl, a civilian, is married and studying in the nearby Louisville Law School. Carl Hansen was stationed at Fort Campbell, and Ed Bruner and Bill Doherty were attending career courses at Knox.

Two Armor files not at that party recently left Fort Hood for cross-training. Ed Leland reported to Quantico, Va., to learn how the Marines operate, and Terry Alexander traveled to England to attend the British Armor School. Terry and Elizabeth urge anybody in the area before February to stop by their home at 5 Holt Road, Bovington Camp, Wareham, Dorset.

Jim Raynis, after having orders to Germany and Guam cancelled, recently returned from Fort Lewis to Aberdeen for the career course. Gene LaBorne has left MACV to begin the fall course at Aberdeen, while Bruce Abraham departed from the Ordnance Center for Vietnam, where he is now aide to Lt. Gen. Engler. Also in Vietnam, Don Sawtelle had his assignment changed from the 101st to the Big Red ONE; he and Cy Shearer are again serving together as they have for every tour since graduation. Shortly after Don left home, his wife Jo had their first child, Stacy Lyn, born in Columbus, Ga. At Fort Gordon, Ga., Mollie and Paul Palmer also announced their first: a son, Paul Jr., who "looks just like the old man (big feet, etc.)." Paul is now S3 of the 1st Officer Candidate Bn of the Signal OCS.

Bob Protzman has been studying at the K.U. Medical School on the excess leave program since Sept 64. He anticipates completion of his courses in early 1968, at which time he will enter an Army internship. He and Loree have a 2-year-old daughter, Paige Elaine. Andy McCurdy finished his studies at the U. of Arkansas in January, and he recently passed the state board examinations to qualify as a CPA. He and Betsey have a son and a daughter and have settled in Rogers, Ark. Among their recent house guests have been: Tom Gordon, from Fort Sill; Roberta and Fred Pryor, now living in Newark, Ohio; and Sharon and Phil Mallory, between assignments.

In September, Glen Adams married Ellen Louise, who is also studying law at the U. of Texas, in Austin. Among those at the wedding was Bob Potts who came down from his home in Rolling Meadows, Ill. He and Sally, with AT&T in the Chicago area, write that Sandy and Joe Dahle are also in the telephone business. Joe is with GT&T in Johnstown, N.Y. Punky Richards is in Missouri working as a quality control engineer for Ford Motor Co. He and Dolly have three children: Darla, Brett, and Bartt. Their home is at: 908 Elmwood Drive in St. Charles, and they hope friends might find time to drop them a line or stop by.

Jim Staub is with IBM in Fishkill, N.Y. He completed his studies at Randolph-Macon College in Virginia in 1962; he and Pat now have two children: Cassandra, 6, and Linwood, 5. Missy and John Kilkenney are now in Spring Valley, N.Y., close enough to the

Academy to have season football tickets. I recently saw George Shamblee at the West Point Officers Club for a Happy Hour; he is now at Stewart AFB. Tom Blanda was also there, newly assigned to Tom Cahill's coaching staff. Jim Nicholson arrived at West Point in time for the ARMY victory over Kansas State U. in the opening game; he returned from Vietnam to join Jim Mathison in the Admissions Office.

From the West Point Society of N.Y. Bulletin comes the announcement of the appointment of ex-classmate Chuck Windsor to promotion manager of *True* magazine. Chuck served with the Marine Corps for 3 years after leaving West Point, and now he lives with his wife and 2 children in Croton-on-the-Hudson. Gil Bilodeau is in New York City, armed with an M.S. in foreign service from Georgetown U. He is currently a trainee for the Overseas Div. of the First National City Bank. Bob Harrell also spent some time in New York, attending a 9-week training course for Paine, Webber, Jackson & Curtis, the brokerage firm. His home is now in Dallas, with Mary and their two sons.

Mark Silverman recently left a public relations job in Manhattan to become press relations specialist at G.E.'s Valley Forge Space Technology Center in Philadelphia. Barbara and George Fox are also in that area, where he is studying marketing in the Wharton Graduate Div. of the U. of Pa. until next May. Another Philadelphia resident, Bert Yancey, has been doing a great amount of traveling. Few who read the sports pages could miss the headlines heralding him as one of the country's finest professional golfers.

Having submitted my copy to the ASSEMBLY editor a few days ago, I've received enough additional information to merit the addition of a few extra lines. One of the most helpful sources of poop over the last few years has been Gary Webster's periodical M-1 Newsletter. He mailed the current issue on the eve of his separation from the Air Force; he and Jo and their new daughter, Kathryn Leigh, were moving to Atlanta, where Gary has been accepted at Georgia Tech for graduate study in industrial development. News of several other M-1 files who haven't been mentioned here recently follows:

Dick Davis returned from Korea for the career course at Belvoir, with subsequent assignment to Fort Campbell with the 326th Abn Engr Bn. Still a bachelor, he is living in Clarksville, Tenn. Other classmates currently at Campbell include Todd Counts, back in uniform and assigned to the 101st Div. Dale Campbell, Frank Rauch, and Hank Van Gorder are there with the 11th Arty (155mm towed) on alert for "destination unknown."

Jay Olejniczak has returned from Vietnam, and he is stationed at Benning, sharing a bachelor pad with his former CO, Roger Donlon. Mike Trinkle has completed his MACV advisory job, and he, Mary, and their two daughters were looking forward to their assignment with the Inf School this autumn. John Neiger has received permanent orders for the Arty School at Sill, and Bill Stricklen was stationed at Fort Ord, Calif., following a Tdy tour at Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

Bob Liebman left the Army last year to enter the Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, La. Bob Montgomery also resigned to work for the Owens-Illinois Glass Co. in Ohio as an industrial engineer. He and Anita and their son, Bobby, have a home in Columbus, and Bob was planning to enter Ohio State to earn his M.B.A.

Harvey Brown's widow, Shirley, is living at 204 E. 18th Ave. in North Wildwood, N.J.

She would appreciate hearing from any friends of hers or Harvey's before she loses contact with the Class.

As far as I am concerned, one of the highlights of the forthcoming Homecoming weekend will be the election of new class officers, particularly that of a secretary who will assume my duties as Scribe. Although I have thoroughly enjoyed being the recipient of your mail and having the opportunity of keeping up with the Class, the task of compiling these articles every third month for five years has been somewhat demanding. With a thesis and a tour in Vietnam ahead of me, I will happily turn over my typewriter to one who might be better able to handle this job.

BEAT NAVY!!!

And from your West Point Scribe

Our long-suffering Editor has consented to this addition to Bill's final article, although the deadline, like the Fort Knox reunion, is history. I will open by expressing, on behalf of all the members and friends of the Class of 1961, our heartfelt thanks to Bill Heiberg for his unflinching efforts as the class Scribe since graduation. I know of no one who could have done a better job for all of us. It is also worthy of note that not once since graduation has our Class been without an article in the ASSEMBLY. Considering the exigencies of serving in a tactical unit in Germany, branch courses, and graduate schooling, this is a manifestation of selfless dedication to classmates that few, if any, West Point classes can boast.

On Saturday morning, 1 October, a class meeting was held at which Bruce Cowan was chosen to be the new class president, Reggie Brown, treasurer, and yours truly, secretary. It was decided by the originally elected class officers that those classmates stationed at West Point would constitute a class Standing Committee and from their ranks, new class officers would be elected now and as often as personnel changes dictated. Hopefully, the former class officers will continue to make their opinions known and to exhibit the good leadership they have shown since 1958.

Homecoming 1966 and our 5th Reunion are now also history. We opened with a class party in the camp commander's cottage at Camp Buckner, attended by approximately forty classmates and their plucky wives, or in a few cases, their inordinately attractive dates. It seemed like a long time between Debby Reynolds's recording of "Tammy" in the Weapons Room and Specialist Jordan's Six Hits And A Miss playing "You've Really Got Me Going," but, the Saturday morning watusi stiffness notwithstanding, it was a wonderful evening together. It could only have been made better by more classmates in attendance. Especially missed were those who were serving in Southeast Asia.

The Ranger Department had charge of the weather on Saturday, and we beat Penn State, 11-0, on a perfectly beautiful autumn day for patrolling. Two leak-proof command-post tents were raised on Howze Field enabling classmates to meet and visit free from the deluge and fortified against the cold by available libation.

Probably seventy-five classmates were able to make the football game and Homecoming dance on Saturday. It was a proud and poignant experience seeing one another and learning of the diversities of careers and endeavors after five years apart. It was an experience that everyone will enjoy some day, pray God. Time precludes mentioning by

name the classmates who were here for our reunion, but photographs elsewhere in the magazine show most of them.

I ask each of you to continue your faithfulness in sending news items and letters. This column is invaluable in sustaining the cohesion that is so evident in our Class. Address your new Scribe:

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Again, I must begin on a somber note. Bill Hoos and Bob Andrews have been killed in Vietnam. Bill was killed in February, and Bob was killed in September. Bob was buried in the West Point cemetery. I know the entire Class is saddened to hear of the death two such fine members of the Class.

Jim Ellis has arrived in Vietnam and is with the G3 Section, 1st Inf Div. He sent material that he had received at the old address, so some items might be slightly dated. Anyway, here it is pretty much as Jim wrote it.

Ernie Webb is here at Bragg in the MATA course; he told me he is working on the memorial fund details now. He, Pat, and little Mike just returned from Germany. While there, Ernie talked to George Kirschenbauer about the fund, and it appears that one can be established. Ernie will be in VN in October and probably will need help on working out the details while he is gone.

Marsh and Missy Carter had a baby girl, Christina Ann, born in April. Marsh just finished the C.I. course at the Kennedy Center here at Bragg and is en route to join the marines in VN. Glen Blumhardt has returned from VN and will be assigned to the 101st at Fort Campbell. Mike and Peggy Grebe are still here with XVIII Abn Corps Hq. Peggy is expecting soon, and Mike has been extended 18 months. Jack Evans is also here in the QM after a tour in VN as an Inf advisor. Jim Gleason has transferred to the Inf and has a rifle Co. in the 82d. Sue Williamson lives down the street and has been here since Don left for VN last December. Don is an advisor and was awarded a Silver Star for his actions as a company commander in the Dominican Republic. Sally Dargle and family are also here. John left in March for VN as an "A" team commander in the S/F. Carol and Tracy are also going to stay here while I am gone.

Bragg classmates seen at Founders Day include: Roger Brown, Ben Carter, John Dargle, Bob Goode, Gordi Geiss, Dick James, Sam Meyer, Al Wilhelm, Bernie Martin, and Joe Porter.

I have received the news that Phil and Deede Pons are expecting their third child. Phil is in the career course at Benning. Marty Bilafer left for Korea in June. Carol and the baby are in Massachusetts. Myron and Valerie Remington just had a new addition, Matthew Spencer, born on 28 July 1966.

Mike Crabtree is in VN; Lynne and the children are in Oregon. Larry Mengel and Martha are at Fort Meade where Larry is with the 3d Sqdn, 11th Armd Cav Regt, after a tour in Korea. Larry writes that Mike Currin is now in VN. Lew Brown is about to leave Hawaii—destination unknown, and Art Miller is working with the Royal Canadian AF in Quebec.

Ken Ishoy has completed a tour in VN, transferred to Ord, completed guided missile

maintenance school at Redstone Arsenal, in Alabama, and is now in the Dallas-Fort Worth area supporting NIKE sites there. The Ishoys now have two little ones.

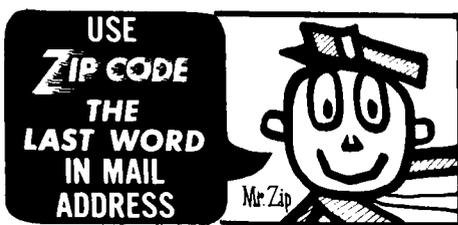
Paul Burke and Paul Dobbins are at Fort Rucker running enlisted student companies. Paul B. came from VN and Paul D. from Germany. Dave Logan just in from VN after a year of flying helicopters is also at Rucker. He is going to be assigned there either as an instructor or as permanent party. Cliff McKeithan left Rucker for VN in February. He's flying Mohawks. Carol and the children are in Charleston, S.C. According to Mary Jo Reimer, Denny is finishing up the career course at Fort Bliss and is being reassigned to Benning. Ann Sklar is in Marshall, Mo., while Dick it with the 101st in VN. Dave Treadwell has a company at Fort Polk.

Ginger Molvar writes that Jan has been in Sqdn Officers School at Maxwell AFB since December. Also, John Grimshaw was married on 8 Jan in Bamberg, Germany. Sam Wasaff is back from VN; he and Kay are at Benning. Mike Schredl resigned his AF commission and became a civilian on 1 May. The Ranzazzos have a new addition, Karen Alice, born on 1 April.

Steve and Betty Holderness and Rebecca Jeanne (born last Valentine's Day) are with the U.S. Army General Depot in Germany. Steve is now in the QMC and is an Engr Co. Comdr. Frank and Judy Westfall expect to depart Wiesbaden for CONUS (Fort Lewis). Jim and Lorraine Weiss are with the 66th Arty Det, also in Germany. Don Burns, Joe Pendergraft, and Tom Kilmartin were in Kaiserslautern—Don was with the 3d Armd Cav; Joe and Tom transferred to Ord Corps. Steve saw John and Maria King in Heidelberg. John is on his way stateside before heading for Thailand.

Pete and Aileen Siedzick write from the "lost army" in Panama where Pete has transferred to AGC. Dick Duncan transferred to the CmlC and has since departed (winter, sometime) for his career course at Fort McClellan. Denny Benchoff also transferred to CmlC and was assigned to the same course. The stalwarts of the 508th, Buz Kriesel and Marv Norwood left for school at Fort Holabird. Both have transferred to AIS. Ann Norwood and Jeanine Kriesel delivered sons on the same day last fall. Chris Keuker left for the 4th Div just before Christmas. George Sweet left for VN with an AIS transfer pending. Norm Grahn is still in the 508th as S2; Jim McKay was in the S3 Section but departed in June as a volunteer for RVN. Fred Gorden and Mike Jones left for the Arty career course at Sill. Chris Spivey who was in the 8th S/F Gp, has left for destination unknown. Ray Pendleton, John Sloan, and Dean Learish are still playing in the jungle with the 8th. Butch Darrell left the CZ, but Pete doesn't know where. Tom Eccleston did go to RVN. Pete ran into some classmates' fathers there: Col. C.F. Fiore (Ret) is a communications and electronics consultant in Panama, and Col. Ed V. Hendren, AGC, is Pete's boss.

Tom Simcox, who is with the 3d Bde, writes about the gang from Hawaii via Vietnam. Ralph Pryor is still working in the Bde S3 shop along with Charlie Murray. Ralph is Tdy to FFV in Nha Trang as their liaison officer. Their wives are both living in the DC area. Fred Sheaffer is S1 of the 1st Bn, 35th Inf. Jim Strohmeier is now a civilian down in Coral Gables, Fla., and is preparing to go to med school at U. of Miami. He and Linda had their second child last December, a girl, Stephanie. Rusty Scheewe is working in the 1/35 S3 shop. Ralph Burr is CO of



HHC, 1/35; Noel and the children are now living in the DC area.

Mike McDonnell is CO of HHC, 2/35, and Pat and son Mike are in Miami. Bob Ord is CO of Co. C, 2/35. Jim McDonough is CO of Co. A, 2/35. Jim McQuillen is Bn S2 and is scheduled to assume command of Co. B, 2/35, in the near future. Jeanne McQuillen and son are residing in Redwood City, Calif.

Dick Barry is CO of Co. B, 1/14. Rick Cacioppe is the 1/14 Asst S3, and Bud Baughman is the Bn S1. Charlie Bernitt is CO of the 725th Maintenance Co. assigned as part of the task force.

Will Harrison, Bill Gavan, and Mac Howard have all had companies in the 2d Bn, 27th Inf. Rick Foss is CO of Co. C, 1/27, and Bill White is CO of the 2d Bde HHC. Bill and Ann Gavan have two children, a son born last summer and a daughter. Bill is now aide to Gen. Weyand, CG of the 25th Div.

Johnny Walker left Hawaii last October and is a Bn advisor at Ben Cat. John was recently married to Jan Thomas in Honolulu. Bob Carroll is at the Ranger Tng Center at Duc My. Butch Darrell and Tom Fintel are with the 23d ARVN Div at Ban Me Thuot. Bob Weinfurter is CO of the S/F camp at Dok To. Roger Shope is with the Engr Adv Gp at II Corps Hq in Pleiku. While Tom was in Qui Nhon he ran into Dave Windom (now flying with the ARVN 22d Div). Phil Burns was also working out of Qui Nhon and is now married. Art Pattarozzi is CO of Div Hq Co. at An Khe with the 1st Air Cav. Al Hartman is working in the Cav's G3 shop. Also in Vietnam are Barry Thomas, Bob Douglas, and Ted Stroup who is aide to the CG, Log Command.

Larry Amon, Bill Ross, Todd Bergman, and several others from Hawaii left prior to the division's departure and are scattered across the U.S.A. at career courses, etc.

As for the Artillery people, John Ferguson is CO of A Btry, 2/9 Arty, and Carol Morin has Hq Btry.

Pete Wuerpel is an advisor in Phan Thiet; Stu Sherard is with the 101st Abn Bde, and Moose Marcinkowski (ex-classmate) has been flying L-19's from Dalat. Jim Andress is CO of C Co., 1/5 Mech, in Cu Chi. Ron Brown has a company with the 101st, and Sammy Carr is S4 of S/F B Team at Ban Me Thuot. Will Harrison is now 2d Bde Asst S3 in Cu Chi.

As for Tom, he is working as the Bde Asst S2. He is scheduled to leave the bachelor ranks sometime in December to marry Linda Riley from St. Petersburg, Fla.

Everyone from the division would like to extend their deepest sympathy to B.J. Hoos and to Roy Kobayashi's family.

Ken Wallace sent the most current of a series of letters from Fort Knox. Ward Windsor and Tom Merrell are there attending the associate 3 course. John Dilley just finished the course and took over Co. A of the OCS Bde. The following classmates graduated in June 1966 from the Armor Officer career course and are heading for the following places: Grindley Curren, MATA then to VN; Jim McCrorey, 519 MI Bn, VN; Dave Moore, 1st AD, Fort Hood; Mike Moore, 9th Inf Div, Fort Riley; Dave Riggs, 2d Inf Div, Korea;

Dave Noake and Bill Daugherty are staying at Knox in the Training Center.

Art, JoAnn, and Rodney Webb are at Fort Belvoir. Art was working as Asst S3, OCS Bde, and plans to attend the Engr Officer career course in October. Steve West was also at Belvoir with the OCS Bde. Ken and Helen had a daughter, Lydia Christelle, on 14 May 1965 and were expecting their second child in October. Ken is now an instructor with the Armor School.

Received a letter from Dan Buttolph who has returned from VN after serving as a Co. Comdr for the 2d Bn, 173d Abn Bde, and is headed for the career course at Sill. Wayne Downing, S2 of the 1st Bn, 173d Abn Bde, is on his way to Benning. Dick Chegar is a Co. Comdr in the 1st Bn, 173d and is due home in time for the Armor career course. Tom Faley is a Co. Comdr in the 2d Bn, 173d. Bob Coyne is on his way to the Arty career course from the 173d. Dan saw Johnny Mumford before leaving VN. John had just arrived from Europe and is with a U.S. Engr Gp in the IV Corps area. Al and Linda Rushtatz will be on their way to Fort Stewart, Ga. Al has just returned from VN.

Aside from Jim's article, some more recent data has come in. George Kirschenbauer should be in Vietnam by now. He was on orders to the Big Red ONE. George married an American school teacher while in Germany (Karen) and now has an 8-month-old son, Kraig.

Fred Doten, recovered from his wound, is still at Rucker. He now has orders to go back to Vietnam and should be flying Mohawks. (ETA in VN 15 January.) Fred and Diane now have three girls (latest, Kim Alina, born 23 July). While Fred is in Vietnam, Diane will be living in Winslow, Arkansas, with her parents. George Handy was evacuated with Fred, and the last Fred heard, George was at Fort Carson and coming along fine. Fred also writes that Dave and Fay Treadwell are on their way to the Dominican Republic for a two-year tour. Ty Cobb and Tom Kling should be in the Inf career course by now. Don Price and Joe Rigby are instructors at Benning; also at Benning are John Winkler, Dick Sklar, and Mike Bartelme (OCS Co. CO). At Rucker are: Dave Logan, helicopter instructor; Harry Fraser and Mike Godshall, ground school instructors; Dick James, multi-engine training; and Al Rushtatz, MOI course and heading for Fort Stewart as an instructor. Also, Fred said Dan Buttolph is presently attending the Arty career course.

I received a letter from Tom Moore who is at Fort Sill. Tom wrote that the following classmates have just graduated from the Arty career course (Sill-Bliss long course): to Fort Jackson—Jim Acklin and Dick Gramzow; to Fort Campbell—Don Bergeron, Bob Jordon, and Jim Kays; to Bragg—John Jones; to VN—Paul Murphy; to Fort Ord—Chuck Nahlen; Remaining at Sill: Hal Harris, Chuck Ivy, Buck Lair, Art Logen, Dave McLaughlin, Tom Moore, John Porter; to grad school: Bob Martin, Bob Reid; to Washington D.C.: Chuck Chandler; to destinations unspecified: Ed Brown, Bill Byrd, Don Clark, Bill Dworsak, Dick Garvey, Mike O'Brien, Dave Phillips, Stacy Reeves, Mickey Rosenberg, Al Scarsella, Duane Slater, and Hank Urna. Others still in school: Vin Murphy, Doug Morgan, Fred Gorden, Bob Wong, and Joe Szwarcokop. Also, John Novotny is with the Gunnery Dept. Brian McKinley is with TAD at Sill, Bill Cross commands the School Spt. Arm. Company, Walt Bryde is with the OCS Bde, and Dave Mundt is with the post G1 shop. Tom never did say what he was doing.

Johnny Sloan is still in the Canal Zone,

wearing a green beret, and is now ADC to Maj. Gen. Alger, COMUSARSO. He and Carol still have the one boy, John-John, age, 3½. With Johnny at Fort Amador is Pete Siedzick. At Fort Gulick are: Harry Boyd, Dean Learish, Chris Spivey, and Lenny Henderson, all in the 8th SFG. Norm Grahn is a company commander at Fort Kobbe.

Bill and Jane Cauthen are in Naples, Italy, where Bill is ADC to Maj. Gen. Coughay, C/S, AFSOUTH. Jane should have produced the first offspring by now. Bill also wrote that Dick Helmuth and Jack Reavill are at Fort Carson, Dick Garvey is at Fort Ord, Jerry Rose and Ed Strague are at Benning, Chuck Anderson is in Vietnam, and Don Babb is an aide at Albuquerque, N.Mex.

From the Air Force: Fred Tilton received the AF Commendation Medal at Dover AFB, Delaware. Fred is a member of MAC. Evans Whiting graduated from the Sqdn Officers School. He will go to Pease AFB, N.H. Don Street earned an advanced engineering degree and a master of science degree from Caltech. Larry Saunders received his M.D. from the U. of Colorado on 10 June. He will be an intern at the USAF Hospital, Lackland, AFB. While attending school, he won the Lange Award for academic achievement.

I learned from the command newspaper from VN, which comes to the Supe's office, that Ronny Brown received the Silver Star. Ron personally charged a machine gun nest and killed three VC while leading his company in a counterattack. He was wounded by a grenade, but not seriously.

Bob Krause was up from Fort Myer the other day to watch a parade and football game. Bob is presently with the "Old Guard." Also, at Homecoming, I ran into Neil and Jo Ann Nydegger, John Ulmer (recently married), and Bill Thomas. Neil returned from VN in February, is now a 'chopper and fixed-wing pilot, and is in the process of getting a master's degree from Princeton. John is now AIS and will be in VN shortly with an assignment to the 519th MI Bn. Bill is currently attending the Signal School. Also, Wilton McRae transferred to AIS and somewhere along the line, got married and has a young (10-month-old) son. Steve Arnold visited USMA in late June with his boss Gen. Sternberg. Steve departed the 101st at Campbell, hopefully heading for the 101st in VN. Paul Wertz, an old Ranger hand from III Corps ARVN, took Steve's place as ADC to Gen. Sternberg, CG, 101st, Fort Campbell. I heard that Dick Rohrbacher is also at Campbell. At the Notre Dame game I ran into Tom Walker. He is now in the AGC and an instructor in computer programming at the AG school at Fort Ben Harrison.

Bill Morgan (AF) is now stationed in D.C.; he said that Harry Hagerty was CO of the company supporting Davidson AAF right outside D.C. Jim Boyle returned to USMA to obtain his transcripts. He has resigned from the Service and plans to attend the U. of South Carolina graduate school to study photography. Al Pattarozzi has also resigned.

That's all for now. Will those who have not been mentioned and those with out-of-date information please write! You may not care where you are, but the rest of us do. Someone may need to borrow a few bucks!

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Received a letter from Harriet St. Amant—she and Phil and the two children are now at Fort Sill's career course along with Don and Jo Ann Armstrong, Hal and Janet



1963: Promotion party, June 66, at Fort Knox. Back row (left to right): Pete Sawin, Bill Coomer, Sue Chase, Sue Goldsmith, Ann Willson, Sue Boice (holding Bill Jr.), Anne Robbins, Bill Robbins, Jean Grogan, Joey DeSmet, Denny DeSmet. Front row: Jack Chase, Rich Goldsmith, Danny Willson, Bill Boice, Tim Grogan.

Kay Nelson, and Kenny and Mary O'Sullivan. More classmates who should be in the career course at Sill in the near future include: Bill Stryker, Ed Banks, Bill Robinson, Gary Sausser, Jack Shepard, and Ken Silberstein. Jim and Judy Armogida are also at Sill; Jim is CO, Hq Btry, 3d Bn, 32d Arty.

Steve Stahl is the adjutant for HHD, 121st Signal Bn, 1st Inf Div, at Phanoc Vinh. Ralph Mitchell is at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Dick Roberts is back at Campbell where he received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart for action against the VC. Steve Popielarski was on Tdy this past summer to West Point; as CO, Co B, 91st Engrs, Steve conducted the Engr portion of the Buckner training. Tony McKinnon is now on a 3-year leave of absence to attend law school in Atlanta. Howie Guilhaus recently joined the ROTC instructors group at Norwich U. George Lippemeier, now an F-4C Phantom II pilot, has flown over 120 missions into North Vietnam.

Carl Chickedantz sends the following poop via a long note left for me when he passed through our operational area near Pleiku. Carl is now with G3, ARVN Abn Div. Bob McGarity is back in the U.S. and headed for the Adv Course at Sill. Bill Witt is an ROTC instructor at Gonzaga U. in Spokane, Wash. Dick Cole was with the ARVN Abn Div and has been awarded the Silver Star for operations around Quang Tri. Dick extended for 6 months and now has a rifle company with the U.S. 25th Div, at Cu Chi. Palmer Haines is a FAC flying L-19's near Hue. Dick Eckert is assigned to the 3d Inf, Fort Myer, but is SD to football at West Point. Joe Blackgrove is Gen. Stilwell's aide in Bangkok. Mike Natvig is still in Germany but expects orders for VN shortly. Lynn Cook is at Fort Ord and has a training company. Bob and Mary Ann Mayer are at Ord where Bob will be with the Combat Developments Command. Phil Bosma had a company at Campbell but should be on the way to VN by now. Al Scott changed from Inf to Engr and is now at the career course at Belvoir. Andy Seidel completed his graduate work at U. of Illinois and is now at the Belvoir career course. Denny Leach and John Robbins are still in the Danang area at last report. Dick Entlich is working out of Saigon with the Psywar Revolutionary Redevelopment Team. Steve Childers is now with the 3d Bde, 25th Div, at Pleiku.

That's about all I have at this writing. Lots of people are stateside now, so there's no excuse for not writing. Since my DEROS and the Navy game are on the same day, I know that there are only 73 days till we BEAT THE HELL OUT OF NAVY!

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Vietnam

I can recall, a year or so ago, not even knowing how to spell that name.

From Joe Seeber comes a letter telling of John Clark's transfer to AG Corps, where he is now working with Capt. Jay Westermeier, '63, in the brigade personnel office. Gordy Treweek and Bernie Ferry are still engineering with Co. D, 65th Engr Bn, attached to 3d Bde Task Force. Tom Thomas recently arrived and was assigned to 2d Bde, 4th Div, as Bde Sig officer. Ted Togashi rotated back to Fort Lewis, Wash.

Mike Kiley wrote from VN where he is advising an ARVN Inf Bn. He visited Pricha Claewplodtook's home (Bangkok) and unit (1st Abn Bn) in Thailand. Hayward is with the 1st Div; Mike Griffith is an advisor in the 5th Div; Mike Brooks is also advising the ARVN 5th Div; and Mike Cook, WIA, is in Saigon.

Denny Gillem, aide to BG Hollingsworth, met Glen Hardy and Wayne Richard yanking lanyards with the 3d Bde. Dwayne Lee is with a non-divisional Engr Co. attached to the brigade. Joe Bob Lake is also a general's aide. Denny mentioned that his next unit would be the Old Guard at Fort Myer, Va., where my last covert intelligence report placed Bob Gregson. Finally, Dick Nowak is in B and Alex Hamilton in D Btry of 1/5 Arty.

Denny added in another letter that Ken De Gon is adjutant in the 121st Sig Bn, 1st Div. Tom Pachler is Asst Adj in an Avn Bde. Sam Burney is aide to Gen. Eichler in Saigon. Ben Sternberg and Kevin Kelley are both in the 1st Engr Bn. Bill Hoover is S4 of 2/18 Inf Bn. Bob Hillyer was soon to be aide for the CG of the Avn Bde, General Seneff. Pete D'Alessandro had a Btry in the 101st Abn.

Bob Balderson, continued Denny, arrived in VN in June 66 and is an Asst sub-sector advisor to the Nghia Hanh district, in the I Corps tactical zone. Hal Kaufman is advising the ARVN Abn Bde in Saigon, and Dave Fishback and Maury Lent are both advising Ranger Bns.

Dave Binney, reporting for the 25th Div, says that he and Mike Kowalchik are instructors in the division's ambush patrol school. Gary La Voy is S1, 125th Sig Bn; Roy Buckner is aide to BG deSaussure; John Otjen is an XO in the 2d Bn, 14th Inf. Leon

Yourtee and Mike Moran transferred from Arty to Engr; Ed Brinkman and LeRoy Gear are in the 8th Arty Bn; Norm Gill is XO for a Co. in the 2/27th Wolfhounds. The division to a man was looking forward to being home for Christmas. Dave ran into Jim Burnham in Saigon. Jim is with the SAC SARPF (Strategic Air Command, Strategic Air Relocatable Photographic Facility) there.

Jim Daly wrote Dave from Operation Paul Revere where he, Page Duffy, and Reg Von Freyman are XO's with the 2/9th Arty in Pleiku.

Lent sent a snapshot taken at Cu Chi. I didn't think it would reproduce well in the column, but it showed Binney, Lent, Muir, and LaVoy.

Jacunski's Bn CO is named Feir. George wrote and mentioned others who arrived with the 4th Div from Lewis: Leyerzaph, Bigelow, Stapleton, Doug Bennett, Mel Case, Quann, Powers, Knutzen, Joe Arnold, and Bob Magruder.

Bob Ames's wife sent a thoughtful note. He is LnO for Hq Troop, 1/9 Cav, 1st Cav Div, at An Khe. One of his FO's is former classmate Ray Paske, '65. The Ameses have a daughter Wendy Gail. Norm and Joan Anderson and son Gregory are at Fort Rucker, Ala., where he is in flight school.

Ron Rezek is FDO in a battery... that is, in A Btry, 3d Bn, 319th Arty, 173d Abn Bde, near Bien Hoa. Chet Kempinski is XO of A Btry and newly decorated for his actions while FO, as have been others of our Class I understand. Chet's son, Chet Jr., was born on 31 May 66. Jack Nunn is FDO in B Btry (that's fire direction officer); Jim Mozden is a platoon leader in C Co., 2d Bn, 503d Inf, as is Tom Dooley in B Co. Pete McAteer is the Bde communications platoon leader; Joe O'Brien has a Sig platoon; Ernie Oehrlein is in Saigon. Jim Koster, Bob Johnson, and Larry Bryan have rotated stateside.

Mike Griffith and brother Tom met while Tom was at an early morning briefing for an ARVN operation near Song Be. Mike, advising an ARVN Ranger Bn, was the briefer, and Tom, the briefed. Tom has an armed helicopter group.

Germany

Jay and Peggi Cope wrote. They were visited by Arline Sutherland while Jeff was on an errand in the U.S. The re-deployment of France-based troops makes their situation tenuous. Ron Williamson was mentioned as finishing up at Fort Rucker.

Tom and Lois Legan wrote telling of the marriage of Larry and Ingeborg Herdegen last Nov 65. Larry is at Benning where he is a Ranger instructor. Tom's new assignment was with the training center at Fort Campbell.

Fort Bragg

Ah, gracious Bill Murdy, to whom we allotted ample space in that last great issue of ASSEMBLY in the sky, sent a note full of tidbits (and began it with a juicy compliment, which is the why of all this extra rubbish and more than adequate demonstration of the fact that Bill has lost none of the managerial skills developed while editing the Pointer). Bill went to VN as BG Pledger's aide. He was among the last to leave Bragg from the group that arrived there in Sept 65.

Jim Gantsoudes and George Domas left for the 1st Bde of the 101st in May and June respectively; Barry McCaffrey preceded them. A number of classmates went through the MATA course at Bragg: Chris Shore, Mike Leonard, Al Christensen, and George

Hillard were listed by Bill as among them. Mike Galton stopped off at Bragg on his way to Fort Lewis where he was PCS'ed by some fluke in connection with his transfer to AIS (another snoopy). '64 is taking over the 307th Engrs of the 82d. Kim Winkler (recently married) and Gary Page both have companies, and Bob Walters (VN returnee) was S1. Jack Grubbs and Frank Giordano were due to join the Bn last summer. Bill also saw Freddy Hinshaw who has transferred to the Finance Corps.

George and Merrill Domas wrote just after he left Bragg for VN last June. Merrill is in Baton Rouge, La., and would appreciate mail or visits from other wives whose husbands are across the water. (Write me at: 1313 D St., Marysville, Calif., for the address.) George said Pete Elson, returned from Korea, is Gen. Lawrie's aide. Bob Hickson is with Special Forces at Bragg and planning to attend flight school. Norm Webb, formerly in the 82d, volunteered for VN. Jim Harding and Tom Kerns are in VN. Tony Hartle is at Benning as Gen. Williamsen's aide. Art and Marylouise Parker and Mike Brooks passed through en route for VN. Ann Muir is living with her folks at Bragg while Jim is with the 25th Div in VN.

Jim Powers wrote Domas from Bliss. Finally, Dannie O'Connor and Al Russo are at flight school at Fort Rucker, Ala.

Bob North and Art West wrote from Walter Reed where their obvious good spirits belie their temporary status and augur an early return to duty. If you hear of anyone named South or East, let me know—or Bob and Art. Doug Bennett finished the combat operations course at the AF Air-Ground Operations School at Hurlburt Field, Fla. He's now assigned to Fort Lewis, Washington.

Air Force

Bill Bailey really came home this time—with an M.S. in physics from Ohio State. He's now in AF Systems Command at Kirtland AFB, N.Mex. Jim Burnham has returned safely from across the water to his and my parent unit, the 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing at Beale AFB, Calif. We welcomed him with a mandatory bath and change of clothing and put him right to work doing the kind of thing he's shown he can handle—inventorizing the officers club.

I visited Chris and Sue Kite-Powell and house guest Jeff Kleb at Travis AFB, Calif. Jeff was en route for VN, and Chris is stationed there with a NIKE outfit. We stayed up late reminiscing in our cadet slippers and bathrobes. Jeff even slept beneath a funny gray blanket with black and gold stripes. They are both Army—Arty files.

Notes

Married: Stan and Sylvia McLaughlin, 30 July 66, in Munich, Germany. Tom and Linda Lee Durfee, 16 July 66, in Sutherland, Va. Tom is now S4 of the 501st Sig Bn, Fort Campbell, Ky. Joe and Diane Lynn Palko, 21 Aug 66, at West Point.

Born: 12 July 66, a boy, Douglas Cameron, to Cris and Marti Crissman, in Mainz, Germany. Cris is CO there of A Co., 1/509th Abn.

Born: a boy, 1 June 66, John Arthur Cope III, to Jay and Peggi Cope in Frankfurt. Also, a girl, to Lee and Ceil Grasfeder, 3 June 66, in Frankfurt. To Dave and Marie Smith, a boy, Kevin Michael, 6 Aug 66. To Tom and Lois Legan, a boy, Thomas Michael, 15 July 66, in Baumholder, Germany. To Kevin and Rosemary Kelley, a girl, Mary Katherine.

'65

Lt. James F. Hennessee
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It's now almost a year and a half since graduation, and '65 has yet to settle down. The influx to RVN has kept assignments everywhere fluid, and we seem to lead all others. The list of those who have gone to Vietnam is so long, and it changes so frequently I can't even attempt to keep it up to date. Almost as great in numbers are those who've had European tours curtailed and are now running the Army training centers in CONUS.

From those still in Germany comes word of lots of field duty. But that doesn't seem to be slowing anyone down. Denny Coll found time to make the big step down the aisle with Judy from back home in Pittsburgh. They were married in Buedingen, Germany, and rode from the chapel to their reception on a jazzed-up M-113. There was a picture of the big ride, but it wouldn't print. Ushers were: Wayne Scholl, Lee Atteberry, and Jack Lowe, with Tom Borkowski as best man.

Pete Linn wrote from Bamberg that the '65 group there hadn't thinned too much. Russ Campbell and his wife have come to Fort Bragg, but Gene Manghi, Bob and Tricia Clover, Manny Maimone and wife, Paul Barber and Mrs., and Cal and Mrs. Kahara are still there. Also, Terry Throckmorton arrived there in July after Tdy all over two continents. Pete says Tom Van Dyk and Bob Bradley are well-taken-care-of bachelors in Berlin. Pete Cahill and Jim Connor are at Kitzingen. Pete and Heidi Lounsbury are still in Baumholder and are expecting a little Lounsbury before too long.

S.T.E.P. Tyner wrote with a sad tale of being levied by DA from Germany. During this writing he and Jo Anne are in Buenos Aires attending an equestrian school. Can you put in a 1049 for duty like that?

A late flash from the Pacific tells of John Shuford continuing his winning ways in tennis as a doubles winner in the Eighth Army's I Corps Arty tourney.

Some news from our northernmost classmates in Alaska: Pat O'Toole, Jim and Claudia Hume, Jim and Minnie Long seem to be doing quite well in Snowland. Jim Long said the winter is almost as bad as a West Point winter. Pat O'Toole spends most of his time at the club entertaining all levels of society from generals to Eskimos from the local saloon. Jim saw Marty and Kicky Johnson, Chuck Boohar, Bob Frey, and Chuck Barwis in Anchorage while attending jumpmaster school.

Here in CONUS Tim and Sandy Thames have a baby girl, Kimberly. Hope she takes after Sandy and not Tim. Nearby the Thameses in California are Dave LaRochelle, Mike Stanko, and Chuck Shaw. Dottie and Denny Shantz are in the AF in California and doing fine.

Don Nowland wrote from the Detroit defense along with Leo Rose. They were at Fort Bliss in May and saw Ladd Metzner, Steve Ammerman, and Mike Huston. In the AF ranks Frank Prokop, Denny Sellers, and Chuck Shaw are still single and flying high.

From Fort Campbell Bob Frank finally sent that long-promised letter. His news in part: "This will be a disorganized hodgepodge. Mike Barker is now in Korea where he is a general's aide. Ken Cherry, that devout bachelor, got married on 11 June. Hugh



Kelley moved out with the 4/503d to Vietnam. Ron Riley went to the 1st Cav in late May. Robert Zonne is the only one left in the 3/187th.

"2/319th Arty: Steve Bliss got married. Jim Lane is scheduled to move out with the 2/11 FA in September. So is Ed McMillan, who plans to get married before then.

"326th Engrs: PT McDonald is now the Bn S1 and also the proud father of a daughter Barbara born 5 April. Frank McCullough is now in Saudi Arabia as an aide to Brig. Gen. Ryan. Emory Pylant is in Okinawa with an Engr group—68th Construction Bn.

"1/321st Arty: Jim Echols and his wife are expecting their first child in October. Jim is a Btry Comdr. William Hecker is with the 2d of the 11th FA and will be going to RVN with them. He was married in June. Robert Hill was married on 16 July.

"2/17th Cav: Art Hester was the first one to leave this post for RVN way back in April. Phil Cooper went to the 4th Inf Div at Fort Lewis.

"1/506th Inf: Denny Brewer's marriage was delayed by his being sent Tdy to the Dom Rep as an interpreter. Bill Connolly moved out with 4/503d to RVN. Charlie Dickey was back at West Point for the summer. Wes Taylor is the Bn S1. Bob Sterba is with Brewer in the Dom Rep.

"1/502d Inf: Tony Clay got a medical discharge. Tom Croak has a beer belly. Steve Darrah is the S1. George Seaworth is the father of George Brian. George is now with Recondo School. Gerry O'Leary is in the Dom Rep.

"2/506 Inf: Bob Radcliffe and Chet Myers are still single. Steve Olson got married on 23 July.

"4/503d Inf: Jim Wood, Bob Stowell, and Frank Probst are in RVN. Bob finally got to Ranger School. Bill Mitchell was left behind in Recondo School.

"2/501st Inf: Art Mark is married. Hal Jenkins is thinking about it. And Nat Kniker finally got his teacher-wife down here after school was out.

"501st Sig: Rance Rountree got married. Dick Mohlere is the commandant of the division's Signal school.

"2/11 FA: Steve Sperry is going to RVN with this unit."

At West Point Doug Gibson and Jan finally got to keep their date at the altar after several months' delay because of the Dom Rep. They're back at Bragg now.

If there's no news of your area, it's because I haven't received a letter from anyone there. If you have any news, be sure to send it along.

It is with sadness of heart that I must pass along word of the loss of another of our best, Doug Davis. All of us in '65 mourn his death.

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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George Wilbur Cocheu

NO. 4144

CLASS OF 1903

Died 4 April 1966 in Washington, D.C.,
aged 87 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery,
Arlington, Virginia

THE CLASS OF 1903 HAS LOST one of its most able, most distinguished and greatly beloved members. George Cocheu lived by the West Point motto and demonstrated his great affection for the Military Academy in every possible way. For the last two years, in their beautiful home on Foxhall Road in Washington, life was not easy for the Cocheus. George was practically blind from cataracts despite several operations, and Emma was a semi-invalid. However, they celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary in 1964 with their customary gracious, annual open house to which hundreds of their myriad friends came to wish them well.

The day before George's graveside service in Arlington, on 8 April 1966, Emma fell and broke her hip. She was immediately hospitalized at Walter Reed, but she followed George to rest on 26 May 1966 and lies beside him in Arlington.

George filed a modest resumé of his background, cadet days, and Army service with the Association of Graduates. The writer has studied it with care and sincerely believes that for anyone to attempt to edit it or to write an obituary from it would be a mistake and unfair to George Cocheu. Therefore, his resumé is quoted verbatim, for it gives a warmer, more accurate picture of this highly principled, loyal son of West Point than anyone else could paint.

—M.C.T., 1903

The following is George Cocheu's own autobiographical resumé:

Family

I was born in the old Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, New York, on 17 October 1878 and graduated from Public School No. 23 and Boys High School. My mother was a direct descendant of Gerritse Van Kowenhoven who emigrated from Holland to the New Netherlands in 1630. She was one of the eighth generation all of whom were born on Manhattan Island. She died in 1921. My father's father, Henri Cocheu, was born in Pampol, Brittany, France. He was conscripted, in 1808, into the Army of Napoleon Bonaparte and came to this country with his brother in 1820. He died in Brooklyn, in 1863. I had six brothers, four of whom are living at this time (1952).

On 12 November 1904, in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, I was married to Emma Fend Gageby, daughter of the late Major James H. Gageby, 12th U.S. Infantry, who, as a 1st Lieutenant of the 19th U.S. Infantry, in the Civil War, was a member of the famous tunnel party that escaped from Libby Prison in Richmond, Virginia. He was a direct lineal descendant of William the Conqueror. We have no children.

How did I happen to go to West Point?

In 1889 my brother Frank, now a retired major general, entered the Military Academy, and my visits there while he was a cadet inspired me with the desire to seek an appointment. In 1897 I received an appointment as an alternate, but my principal passed the entrance examination only to be "found" the following January. In 1899 I was again an alternate, but fortunately my

principal failed to report, and, after a month's preparation at the old Braden School in Highland Falls, I passed and entered with the Class of 1903 with which I graduated.

Names of Roommates

As a Plebe I lived in camp and barracks with Ralph Glass. "Sep" Brant joined us in the fourth floor lefthand Area room of the old 8th division. The Corps consisted of only four companies, and we were assigned to "D" Company. Brant was "found" in January. I was appointed corporal in 1900 and that fall was assigned to "A" Company, where I lived in the second floor lefthand Plain room with Douglas MacArthur. When the Class of 1901 graduated in February of that year I was made acting color sergeant with Marion Howze. I was appointed sergeant and transferred to "B" Company in June 1901 which meant another move. As a Second Classman I lived with Julian Schley who was our first sergeant. In 1902 Schley was made battalion quartermaster, and I was dropped as a sergeant but still remained in "B" Company. I lived with Paul Bunker who later, in 1904, was best man at my wedding.

For the entire four years I was a member of the Cadet Choir, if it might be called a choir, and as a First Classman was its leader. Outstanding events taking place in my cadet days were: our participation in



GEORGE WILBUR COCHEU

the Dewey Day parade in New York; the two investigations of hazing by the Military and Congressional Committees; the famous mutiny staged by the Class of 1902; resumption of athletic relations with the Naval Academy; and, most outstanding, an occasion when Buzzard Blake was Officer in Charge and Benny Grey, Officer of the Day, in our first-class year. Jimmie Jones, in the 12th Division, and Lew Adams, in the 1st, hauled a piece of old iron shot, swiped from Battery Knox, and a G.I. bucket, up and down the iron steps of their respective divisions at just about Tattoo. With the added noise of stones thrown by many of us from the windows of barracks against the tin roof of the old boiler house, the noise was terrific and subsided only when Jimmie and Lew got tired and the rest of us ran out of stones.

Names of Friends

Of the men in our Class, I have served most with Clifford Jones, Louie Brinton, and Douglas MacArthur, whose mother, inci-

dentally, introduced me to the girl who later became my wife. I have counted more on a host of fine friends rather than on a few intimates and have tried to maintain friendships with officers junior to me.

War Service

I was in Yokohama, Japan, on my way home from the Philippines when war was declared in 1917. I reported immediately to the American Ambassador in Tokyo and, on his direction, proceeded to the United States. I served at the first officers' training camps at Plattsburgh Barracks and Fort Monroe. In August 1917, as a major, I was assigned as division inspector of the 78th Division at Camp Dix, New Jersey, and remained there until February 1918 when I was detailed a member of the General Staff and ordered to the Office of the Chief of Staff in Washington. I served in the office of the Executive Assistant (Deputy Chief of Staff) until January 1922 when I was ordered to the Philippines. There I served as Acting Chief of Staff and G1 of the Philippine Division and G2 of the Department.

In 1918 I conceived the idea and wrote the order, still in effect, requiring that at the funeral of any member of the military service, the flag used to cover the casket must accompany the remains wherever shipped and be presented to the next of kin after burial.

Realizing the necessity of close contact between the War Department and the Congress, I recommended the establishment of what, in 1921, was organized as the Legislation Branch, Office of the Chief of Staff, and became its first chief under Major General J. G. Harbord, Deputy Chief of Staff. In November 1921, I was aide to the United States Senate at the funeral of the Unknown Soldier.

Recalled to active duty in May 1941, I was made Chief, Inspection Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, and served in that post until I was returned to the retired list on 31 December 1943. In 1941 I foresaw the necessity of the establishment of some system of caring for and returning to the next of kin the personal effects of officers and enlisted men killed or missing in action. In Kansas City, Missouri, I organized and personally supervised the operations of the Effects Bureau, which during its lifetime returned monies, bonds, travellers checks, and other negotiable securities amounting to over 8½ million dollars and turned over \$650,000 worth of other effects by mail, express, and parcel post. I am particularly proud of the fact that the operations of this Effects Bureau, which handled items from every theatre of the war, were conducted without a breath of scandal.

Other Service

On graduation I was assigned to the Field Artillery but, when the separation came in 1907, I was assigned to the Coast Artillery. I was the first honor graduate of the Coast Artillery School, Fort Monroe, Virginia, in 1907 and the Advanced Course in 1910. I served as an instructor and assistant professor of Chemistry, Mineralogy, and Geology at West Point in 1911 and, along with some 50 others, was relieved on 31 December 1912 under the Manchu Law. I served in the Philippines from 1915 to 1917 and again from 1922 to 1924. I graduated from the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, in 1925 and the Army War College in 1926. I commanded the 12th Coast Artillery at Fort Monroe from 1926 to 1928, was Assistant Chief of Staff, 1st

Corps Area, Boston, Massachusetts, from 1928 to 1932, and commanded the Harbor Defenses of Sandy Hook and the post of Fort Hancock, New Jersey, 1932 to 1934. I was chief of the Organization and Operations Division, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G3, War Department General Staff, from 1934 until my retirement in 1938, serving a total of fourteen years and nine days as a member of the General Staff. I was on the initial General Staff list provided for in the Act of 4 July 1920.

Medals and Commendations

I was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal in January 1922, for services in World War I, with the following citation:

For exceptional and meritorious and distinguished service. As a member and later as Chief of the Co-ordination Section, General Staff, a position of great responsibility, he devised many methods for improving and making more effective administrative procedure within the War Department, thereby materially facilitating the transaction of the business of the War Department and of the Army, thus rendering service of great value to the entire military establishment.

In September 1943 I was awarded the Legion of Merit for service in World War II, with the following citation:

Colonel George W. Cocheu, 0-1801, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For exceptional and meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Chief of the Inspection Division, Quartermaster Corps, since 24 May 1941. Upon his recall to active duty, Colonel Cocheu devoted all his energies towards making a constructive approach to the problems of the Quartermaster Corps. In investigating Quartermaster operations Colonel Cocheu consistently developed more effective methods for the performance of the mission of the Quartermaster Corps. He solved many organizational and operational problems of the expanding Quartermaster establishment.

In 1921 Lieutenant General William Wright, Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff, wrote: "This officer has energy, tact, and an attractive personality. He is prompt in the discharge of his duty, an excellent staff officer, a loyal and dependable gentleman and soldier."

In 1922 Major General James H. Harbord, Deputy Chief of Staff to General Pershing, wrote of me: "One of the best young general staff officers of the Army."

In 1932 I was commended by the chief of Coast Artillery, Major General John W. Gulick, for "high efficiency in the organization and training and administration" of Fort Hancock, New Jersey.

In 1934 I received a commendation from the commanding general, 2d Corps Area, Major General Dennis E. Nolan, for the "good use made of the funds allotted to the post even in the face of trying conditions" and "commendation for the good physical condition of your post and the troops stationed thereat."

In 1934 I was commended by the Chief of Staff, General Douglas MacArthur, for the "work in preparation for and in the conduct of the General Headquarters Command Post Exercise, September 2 to 8, 1934."

Other Information

I rose from captain to colonel in World War I.

In December 1941, I wrote the letter which the President of the United States signed requesting the President in 1956 to

appoint as a cadet at the United States Military Academy, Colin Kelly III, the son of Colin Kelly Jr., Class of 1927, who was killed on 10 December 1941 while attacking Japanese warships from the air off the Philippines.

In 1938 I was informed personally by the then Chief of Staff that I was four months over the age limit set by the President for promotion to higher grade. My application for retirement, after over 39 years of active service, was submitted on my 60th birthday. My wife and I purchased a home in Washington, at 3106 Foxhall Road, where we have lived in peace and quiet, except for the World War II years, enjoying contact with our friends.

Benjamin Frederick Castle

NO. 4586 CLASS OF 1907

Died 8 July 1966 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 82 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia



BENJAMIN FREDERICK CASTLE

When you and I and Benny, and all the others too,

Are called before the judgment seat, our course in life to view,

May we never 'fess' on any point, but straight be told to go

And join the army of the blest at Benny Havens, O!

from: "Benny Havens" (Last Verse)

BEN CASTLE LEFT US to "join the army of the blest at Benny Havens" on 8 July 1966 after a short illness. With his death the Military Academy lost a loyal son and supporter; his friends, a warm and open-hearted companion; and his family, a beloved father and husband.

Ben was born in Portage, Wisconsin, and was appointed to West Point from that state. As a cadet he showed the decisive character and firm purpose that shaped his later life. He also showed the depth that made for broad and lasting friendship and with it an enthusiasm that would be his unique endowment to the very end.

A cadet lieutenant and member of the HOWITZER board, he was a basketball player and a hard-working substitute on the football team. But a chronic knee injury kept him out of the Navy game and put the coveted "A" just out of reach—a particularly keen disappointment at the time.

Ben was commissioned in the Infantry at graduation and shortly thereafter he married Winifred Walker of Milwaukee, his sweet-

heart of cadet days. Together they went to Fort McKinley in the Philippine Islands, and it was there that their first child, the godson of the Class of 1907, Frederick Walker Castle, was born. After Fort McKinley the Castles were ordered to Fort Porter, New York. A happy assignment to West Point as a French instructor followed, and then Ben returned to his regiment at Fort Porter. The Castles' next station was Tientsin, China, for duty with the 15th Infantry. There the family enjoyed the delightful life of the old "China Coast" days which will come again no more.

Ben was never one to let events shape themselves; this was especially true in the development of his own career. Even in those early days he saw the promise of military aviation and made application for a transfer to the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps. Along with Arnold, Mitchell, and Foulois he was one of Army aviation's pioneers. He took his pilot training at Rockwell Field, San Diego, California, and in 1918 was assigned to duty in Washington as Chief of the Control Board of the Air Service. There he brought all of his energies to bear on behalf of the infant arm whose future he foresaw with such clarity.

After the Armistice, Ben was sent to Paris as the special representative of the Chief of the Air Service, attached to the Liquidation Commission whose task it was to dispose of aircraft material. Subsequently, he was appointed the first Aviation attaché to our embassy in Paris.

Two lovely girls, Winifred and Hancey, had now been added to the Castle family. With this growing responsibility and the firm belief that we had fought a war to end all wars, Ben decided that, much as he loved the Service, civilian life and the business community offered greater challenges and more substantial reward. He resigned his commission in Paris in 1919 to accept a position with the Irving Trust Company of New York as that firm's foreign representative. In this capacity he traveled regularly to the Scandinavian countries and to Poland. It was on one of these trips to Poland that Ben became acquainted with a group of American pilots who were forming the Kosciuszko Squadron in honor of the Polish hero who fought with us in our war for American independence. Their plan was to create a squadron of trained pilots that would fly with the new Polish Air Service. It was this unit that was to become the 7th squadron under the White Eagle of Poland during the period 1919-21 when the Poles were fighting the Bolsheviks. Ben was made an honorary member of the squadron because of the interest and assistance he was able to give them. The warm friendships made in those days lasted for many years. Before leaving Poland a grateful Polish Government gave Ben two decorations.

While he was still associated with the Irving Trust Co., Ben was offered a position as president of the newly formed First Federal Banking Corporation and he accepted it, but in 1929 the pull of aviation was stronger and he left to become president of Great Lakes Aircraft Corporation in Cleveland, Ohio.

When the Depression of the Thirties made the going especially tough for young companies to survive, he returned to investment banking as vice-president of the Administration and Research Corporation in New York. In 1940 he accepted an offer to become the president of the Milk Industry Foundation in Washington, D.C., and he and Marya, his second wife, moved to a house in the Georgetown section. After his retirement in 1958 he served as a consultant to an international dairy corporation and as a director of an investment company.

It was during his long residence in Washington that it came to Ben's attention that the capital of our country and the home of nearly a thousand West Pointers had no West Point Society. He talked the situation over with a group of fellow alumni and at his urging the West Point Society of the District of Columbia was born in 1954. From Ben's initiative, energies, and enthusiasm grew what is now one of the largest West Point alumni groups in the country. Ben was its first president and later president emeritus; he served continuously on its board of governors until the day of his death.

Ben also served with typical dedication as a trustee of the Association of Graduates, USMA, an honor of which he was proud, and a responsibility to which he brought sound counsel and broad experience.

Not content with these gestures in support of his Alma Mater, Ben was indefatigable in encouraging promising young men to go to West Point. Although this is one of the aims of every West Point Society, Ben made it peculiarly and indelibly his own. He was firmly convinced that the Nation's greatest hope lay in its youth and that the security of the Republic demanded that the finest of its youth go to West Point. Just how many Plebes Ben started through the sallyport, it would be impossible to say, but he worked at it for many years, and their number must be legion. His own son, the late Frederick W. Castle '30, and two nephews: Lewis Ben-Castle Logan '46, and Thomas E. Walker '63, followed him to the Academy.

Ben never lost his interest in aviation and was a founding member of the Old Flying Club, Treasurer of the National Aeronautic Association for some years, a member of the Aviation Country Club, and a member of the Wings Club.

He had an especially close group of friends with whom he played a daily round of golf at the Burning Tree Club, an all-male golf club, and this exactly suited Ben's golfing tastes. If a luncheon or business meeting were over-long and threatened to encroach on his usual departure time for Burning Tree, Ben would tap his toe for a while, then simply stand up, tell some youngster (of 58 years) that he (the youngster) could run the meeting, that "I have to get out to the knocking grounds," and forthwith would depart. He played eighteen holes of golf without using a cart the week before he died.

One of the tragedies of Ben's life was the loss of his son, Fred, the class of 1907. Fred had graduated from West Point in 1930 and had chosen the Air Corps, but he resigned his commission in 1934 to go into business. When World War II threatened to involve America he volunteered his services and was called to active duty. He went to England on the staff of General Ira Eaker's Eighth Air Force. Brilliant work as a staff officer and a compelling personal need to play an active part in combat led to his promotion to brigadier general in command of a wing. He made a great contribution to the success of his command but on 24 December 1944, while leading a force of 2,000 heavy bombers in a strike on German airfields, he met a tragic and untimely death. His heroic conduct won for him the posthumous award of the Medal of Honor, and a grateful Nation named an Air Force Base for him at Merced, California. Ben bore his grief like a soldier, but he lost part of his own life with the loss of his son.

Ben was never passive about anything. Typical of this activism was a correspondence he carried on with a nephew toward the close of his life. The young man was an Episcopal priest, and the object of the correspondence

was to decide upon the service to be used at Ben's funeral. The young clergyman suggested a format essentially Episcopal in character; Ben thereupon inquired as to the meaning of certain passages and prayers. Explanations and changes followed, and the two finally concurred on the ceremony to be followed. The young priest officiated at Ben's funeral and used the service he and Ben had agreed upon. It was simple, strong, and impressive.

No one will ever know the quiet good deeds that Ben performed or the helping hand that he held out to so many—he had a genius for searching out situations where his help was needed and then, in an inconspicuous and self-effacing way, taking care of them. He worked for his Class, he worked for West Point, and he worked constantly for his fellow man. The world is a warmer, happier place for his having been among us. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his host of friends in many ways.

—One of the Plebes Ben started through the sallyport with the Class of 1930.

Robert Howe Fletcher

NO. 4707 CLASS OF 1908

Died 6 November 1965 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., aged 81 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.



ROBERT HOWE FLETCHER

ROBERT FLETCHER WAS BORN at San Diego Barracks, San Diego, California, on 17 August 1884. His father, Captain R.H. Fletcher, U.S. Army (USNA 1872), served in the Indian campaigns, notably against the Nez Perce tribe led by Chief Joseph. Captain Fletcher was the son of Surgeon and Brevet Colonel Robert Fletcher, medical purveyor, Army of the Cumberland, in the Civil War, who also attained exceptional distinction in the world of civil medicine and was the recipient of the Gold Medal of the Royal College of Surgeons of London. Bob's mother was Octavia Shreve Miller of Louisville, Kentucky.

Bob and Lorraine Annette Murphy of "Claymont" near Charles Town, West Virginia, were married at Claymont on 17 September 1919. They had two children: Douglas Morse Fletcher, who died on 31 March 1958, and Helena Shreve Fletcher, wife of Colonel William A. Patch, USMA 1948.

Bob's boyhood was spent in California

where he attended public schools and the University of California for a year before coming to West Point in June 1904. He received his appointment from President Theodore Roosevelt.

Bob was an excellent cadet; he played his part well in the many phases of a cadet's life, was neither overly ambitious nor reprehensively easygoing, and he did what was expected of him conscientiously but without strain or worry. He was not conspicuous for either superiority or inadequacy in any of the subjects of the curriculum, but, he was prominent in the esteem and affection of his classmates throughout our years at West Point and all the years beyond.

On graduation he stood in the middle third of the Class. He was commissioned a 2d Lieutenant of Infantry on 14 February 1908 and was assigned to the 8th Infantry at the Presidio of Monterey, California. In 1912 he went with his regiment to the Philippine Islands, where he served under General Pershing in action against the Moros on the Island of Mindanao, participated in the topographical mapping of Luzon, and performed routine company duty. Returning to the United States in 1915, he was assigned to the 6th Infantry and participated, again under General Pershing, in the Mexican Punitive Expedition of 1916-17. Early in 1917 he was ordered to Washington where he served for some months as White House aide-de-camp during President Wilson's administration. He left that duty when World War I was declared and went first into the Aviation Section, Signal Corps, and later to the General Staff as G3, 11th Division.

In January 1919, Colonel Fletcher was assigned to the Historical Branch, War Plans Division, General Staff, in Washington and remained there for four years. He then attended the Infantry School, Fort Benning, where he graduated from the Advanced Course in 1924, and the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, from which he graduated in 1925. During the next four years that he was at Fort Benning he served for three years on the faculty of the Infantry School and for one year with a regiment.

In 1929, Bob, having served as a major since July 1920, was sent to Madrid, Spain, for a four-year tour as military attaché at the U.S. Embassy. He served in the same capacity simultaneously at Lisbon, Portugal. The first two years of his tour of duty in Spain happened to be the last two years of the monarchy under King Alfonso XIII. With the collapse of the monarchy, Bob remained on duty in republican Spain and Portugal until the end of 1933 when he returned to the States to join the 66th Regiment (Light Tanks) at Fort Meade, Maryland. The following year he was ordered to the War College and graduated in the class of 1935. He remained on duty at the War College as executive officer, Historical Section, until March 1937.

Retiring for physical disability on 31 March 1937, Colonel Fletcher settled in the District of Columbia, dividing his time during the next three years between his home in Washington and a small farm, "Belgrove," which he and his wife owned, near Leesburg, Loudon County, Virginia. He was active in civic affairs in both communities.

As World War II approached, Bob asked for whatever active duty would be consistent with his physical condition, and was recalled to active duty in November 1940 for an assignment with the Office of the Inspector General of the Army as Chief of the Inspections Division. He had exceptional qualifica-

tions for this assignment, and he rendered outstanding service in it until he was relieved from active duty in October 1944 when he reached the statutory age limit. He was awarded the Legion of Merit for that service.

After his second retirement, the Fletchers followed a practice of traveling for a month or more each year, spending the rest of the time at Belgrove, where Bob became deeply interested in local civic affairs and in the affairs of St. James Episcopal Church, which he had served as a vestryman for many years. He served on the board of directors of the Loudon Hospital and played an important part in its management, direction, and progress for more than twenty years. In 1960 the Fletchers sold Belgrove and moved to 58 North King Street in Leesburg.

Bob was a man of unique personality, exceptional ability, and a wide range of interests. He was instinctively a philosopher, a scientist and a humanitarian, with a very special gift for literary expression and a fondness for it. He understood and loved the Army. He was only eleven when he decided he would enter it by way of the Military Academy. That ambition never waned nor faltered. He was happy in all of his service, and, indeed, in his civilian life, as well.

An officer and gentleman of the highest character, of enviable talents and of congenial attitudes and personality, Bob Fletcher was a valued member of every military or civilian community in which he served or lived. He earned the admiration and affection of all his classmates, comrades, and friends, and the adoration of his family. He led a good life of devotion to duty and to the finest precepts of West Point.

Haig Shekerjian

NO. 4970 CLASS OF 1911

Died 22 January 1966 at Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, California, aged 79 years.

Interment: National Cemetery Presidio of San Francisco, California



HAIG SHEKERJIAN

HAIG SHEKERJIAN, known affectionately to his many friends as "Shek," was born in Turkey, of Armenian parents, on 13 June 1886. He came with his family to the United States at the age of five and spent most of his early life in Torrington, Conn., where he

completed high school. He entered Colgate University in 1906.

Upon receiving an appointment to the Military Academy, he entered the military service as a cadet on 15 June 1907 with the Class of 1911 and, on 13 June 1911, was graduated with a bachelor of science degree and commissioned as a second lieutenant of Infantry. In 1923, he transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service and served with this branch for the remainder of his 39 years of active duty.

He was a graduate of the Chemical Warfare School; a distinguished graduate of the Command and General Staff College, where he later served as an instructor and a graduate of the Army War College. Tours in Washington included service with the General Staff and in the office of the Chief of the Chemical Warfare Service where he reached the position of executive officer.

Haig's war service was varied. Prior to World War I, he was with the Punitive Expedition in Mexico under General Pershing from April 1916 to February 1917. During World War I, he served as assistant military attaché in Greece, and then with the Allied Armies of the Orient in the Middle East. In World War II, his assignments included tours of duty as Chemical Officer, First Army; Commanding General of the Chemical Warfare Replacement Center; and Commanding General of Camp Sibert, Ala. Haig was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon and the Legion of Merit for his services during World War II.

In those years, Haig rose through the various grades and became a brigadier general on 30 January 1942. He was retired on 30 September 1946.

On 4 April 1921, he and Helen Russell Bain of Seattle were married in New York. After retirement, they made their home in San Francisco but traveled extensively.

At the request of the Armenian Society of the U.S., Haig and Helen spent several years in Europe and in the Near East, while Haig served as head of foreign operations of the American National Committee. His mission was to locate, interview, select, and arrange for the transportation to the United States and other countries which had agreed to accept them, of thousands of deserving Armenians and other Christians who had suffered greatly as the result of oppression and the hardships of war. Many had been cruelly treated and had lost homes, businesses, belongings, and funds. It was Haig's responsibility to evaluate these individuals' potential for citizenship in the countries to which they were to be sent. The Society arranged to finance their travel and to locate families that would sponsor the newcomers until they could stand on their own feet.

In time, after thousands had been relocated in the United States, Haig, accompanied by officials of the Armenian Society, made an extensive trip to ascertain how well these new citizens had adjusted to their new environments. With few exceptions, they had established homes, found self-supporting jobs, had bank accounts, and, in general, had made places for themselves as good citizens in their communities. These positive indicators of the success of the project attested to the excellence of the selection process followed by Haig and his assistants.

Through their affiliation with the Army-Navy Clubs in Washington, the Chevy Chase Country Club, and several other organizations, the Shekerjians enjoyed a large and loyal group of friends. Shek, himself, was a member of Phi Gamma Delta (Colgate) and also a thirty-second degree Mason.

Of his many and varied interests—he was

musically inclined, and his stamp collection was a very valuable one—Shek especially enjoyed games of chance. He was a frequent winner, too, due to his careful study of the rules of the game, a keen knowledge of human nature, and, of course, a large measure of good luck. Above all, he never pushed his luck, and it must be said of him that he was always generous when it came time to settle accounts, especially when the loser could not afford the loss.

Haig Shekerjian was buried with military honors at the National Cemetery at the Presidio of San Francisco.

In addition to his wife Helen of 1824 Jackson Street, San Francisco, he is survived by three sisters: Mrs. Carl Reed of Compton, California; Mrs. Beverly Spilmer of San Diego; and Mrs. James W. Gantenbein of Washington, D.C.

In Haig Shekerjian's death, the Army and the country have lost a fine soldier and humanitarian; his many friends have lost a good companion; his wife and sisters, a loving husband and brother; and the undersigned, a true friend, classmate, and roommate.

—Benjamin C. Lockwood Jr.
Class of 1911

Charles Francis Williams

NO. 5114 CLASS OF 1913

Died 22 January 1966 at Daytona Beach, Florida, aged 74 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

OUR CLASSMATE, Charles "Shorty" Francis Williams, died on 22 January 1966 at the Clyatt Memorial Geriatric Center, Daytona Beach, Florida, after a long illness.

Services were held in St. James Episcopal Church, Daytona Beach, on 25 January, and interment took place in Arlington National Cemetery on 27 January. Davidson and Foote, representing the Class, and Charles Torrey Williams were among the mourners on one of Washington's coldest days of that winter. It had snowed all of the preceding day and most of the night which gave the gravesite a beautiful wintry setting, sunlit



CHARLES FRANCIS WILLIAMS

except for tree and ground shadows. The service was brief, with simple honors.

Charles was born on 24 February 1891, the son of Jarvis and Elizabeth Williams, in Foxboro, Massachusetts, and lived there until he entered West Point on 1 March 1909.

Reputedly, he did little studying as a cadet, but he graduated number two in his Class and was assigned to the Engineers. His first station was Texas City, Texas, commanding the Mounted Platoon, Company H, 2d Battalion Engineers. Next he was a student at the Engineer School and then spent a year at Cornell where he received a Master of Engineering degree in 1917. There followed a tour in Chaumont, France, with the training section of the 1st Engineers, a part of the American Expeditionary Forces. On his return to the United States, Charles joined the staff of the Engineer School.

Shorty developed canalization as the best way to control the upper Mississippi and designed the first dam for the project which his successor built some 30 miles below St. Paul. His engineering high mark, however, was the Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River. He was largely responsible for its design and construction. Following this success he was summoned to join the faculty at Leavenworth. In 1940 he joined the First Army as Deputy Chief of Staff, responsible for administration and supply. He served in the United States and Europe through V-E Day, returning to the States with the entire Army staff, expecting to go to the Pacific. His last assignment was Chief Engineer, North Atlantic Division, New York City.

Two days after our 35th Reunion, the only one he ever attended, our Shorty suffered a coronary attack which led to his retirement on 30 November 1948. The Williamses moved to Daytona Beach and later to adjacent Ormond Beach, Florida. Charles recovered sufficiently to play golf and do a little traveling. Toward the end of 1959 his health began to fail noticeably, and he was forced to give up golf and later even bridge, a game he had enjoyed from his cadet days.

A graduate of the Engineer School, Leavenworth, and the Army War College, Shorty's decorations include: the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Commendation Ribbon, the Distinguished Service Order of Great Britain, the Legion d'Honneur (Officier), and the Croix de Guerre with Palm.

Charles was married on 24 August 1915 to Mary A. Randall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Randall of Fort Wayne, Indiana. They have one son, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Torrey Williams, CE, USMA 1946. Torrey has a wife and two little girls in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where Mrs. Williams is majoring in music at New Mexico University while Torrey completes a tour in Korea as commander of an Engineer construction battalion. Mary Williams lives at 290 Oak Drive, Ormond Beach, Florida 32074.

All classmates, their wives, and our class widows join me in expressing our sympathy to Mary, his devoted wife, and Torrey, his loyal son. In Shorty's death the Class of 1913 has lost one of its most outstanding members. May he rest in peace.

—Cooper Foote

David Edward Cain

NO. 5128 CLASS OF 1913

Died 11 June 1965 at Jamestown, Rhode Island, aged 73 years.

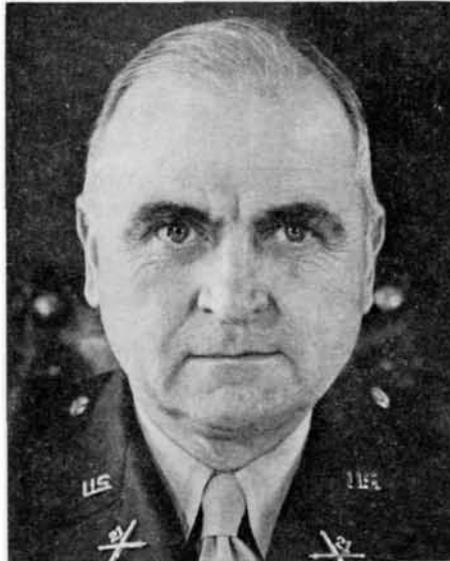
Interment: Dorchester, Massachusetts

IT IS WITH DEEP SORROW that I write the obituary of David Edward Cain, one of the first successful representatives of the Class of 1913. He started early leading the Class.

Born in DeSoto, Missouri, on 20 August 1891, Ed was appointed to the United States Military Academy from Missouri. According to the story in the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*, he was only a grammar school boy when he came to West Point, but he immediately took on Horatio Alger proportions, soaring to the dizzy heights of First Captain of the Corps of Cadets and graduating sixteenth in the Class.

Versatility was the word for Ed; his excellence showed through not only in his military and academic duties, but also in his social life. He became a consistent "hopoid" and loved to "trip the light fantastic" with all the attractive girls who blessed West Point with their attendance at the Cullum Hall functions.

I am reminded of one rather sad experience during our cadet days. It happened during one of "Squire" Lindsey's famous riding classes when Ed became separated from his horse. Ed cleared the hurdle but without his horse, and he landed on his back on the other side. The horse stepped over quietly enough, but as he did, he planted one hoof right in the middle of Ed's face; Ed's broken jaw mended in time, but it creaked like a



DAVID EDWARD CAIN

hinge for the rest of his life. The Squire, who was not noted for his sympathy, had none of our unfortunate Ed on this occasion.

Ed's first duty station after graduation was Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he became a member of Battery C, 3d Field Artillery, the famous "Riley's Battery" which had seen action in the Boxer Rebellion. Ed joined his battery during the so-called Mexican Border days; Villa and Carranza were dashing in and out, playing tag with our troops on our southern border. Ed remained with the regiment until 1916, when he was ordered to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill as a student. In the meantime, he took time out in 1914 to marry Grace Ely of New York City and brought her back to Fort Sam Houston to receive the special, newlyweds' welcome of those days—the "privilege" of riding an artillery caisson to their first set of quarters. Their first child, Ely Virginia, was born in Jamestown, Rhode Island.

Ed served on the Mexican Border until he joined the Provisional Regiment 9th Field Artillery in December 1916, and he left with his family the following month for Hawaii. There he had the chance to train with the first motorized field artillery regiment in the Army. It was also in Hawaii that his only son, David Ely, was born.

Having returned to the States, Ed was

commanding a battery in the 19th Field Artillery at Camp MacArthur, Texas, when that unit sailed for France. Soon after his arrival there, Ed Cain was assigned to the Operations Section of the 5th Division and was in action in the Vosges Sector and the St. Mihiel Offensive. His World War I service also included tours with the VII Corps and I Corps (Meuse-Argonne Offensive), and when the war ended he was a member of the general staff, A.E.F.

Upon his return from abroad, Ed was sent to Fort Sill, first as a student, then as instructor, and later as Director of the Gunnery Department of the Field Artillery School. From Sill, Ed was assigned to West Point where he served for four years as an artillery instructor. In 1928 he returned to Fort Sill to attend the Advanced Course.

Another move for the Cain family followed quickly, this time to the Command and General Staff School where Ed was a student in the second two-year course. After Leavenworth and a short period with troops as battalion commander with the 6th Field Artillery at Fort Hoyle, Maryland, Ed had the honor of being chosen to attend the Army War College in 1934. From there he went to Princeton as PMS&T, and in 1940 was named to command the 21st Field Artillery Regiment at Fort Knox. Early in 1941 Ed became "unglued physically," as he expressed it, and was disqualified for field service. A multiplicity of duties followed including a detail as commandant of the ROTC unit at Fordham University in New York City in November 1946.

At his own request Ed retired in 1947, and returned with Grace to his home in Jamestown, Rhode Island, for a much needed rest. The so-called "rest" became, as is so often the case, "a grand time fixing up our home, and loving every bit of it," as Ed described it. His beloved Grace died there in 1953, and Ed stayed on in his home for twelve years until his death on 11 June 1965.

In his retirement, Ed was forced to lead a quiet, self-regulated kind of life, seldom leaving his home on Conanicut Island. When last visited by a classmate, Ed looked fine. His daily routine included a short walk to the nearby village, some golf, and lots of reading—deep excursions into the origins of Man and his development, including Man's thinking processes, a rather demanding task for one's retirement period.

Ed's hobbies included sailing. He bought a little sloop while he was at West Point and took it with him to Jamestown. He gave up his sloop, however, when he became enamored with golf, and during his latter years he was on the golf course all the time whenever weather permitted. He was an avid reader and was always interested in new ideas. His years at Princeton and Fordham and at the Army service schools were especially enjoyable for Ed, since these tours provided him with a wide range of intellectual stimuli. He remained bright and alert until the very end, his family, meanwhile, always hoping that he might take up teaching or writing after his operations, for Ed had a very active mind. But he just did not want to leave Jamestown, and at the time of his death in 1965 his 1941 car had never left Conanicut Island. He loved the old town, and his was a familiar figure as he walked his Labrador to the post office each day.

Ed and Grace are survived by their daughter, Ely Virginia, the wife of H.L.T. Koren, U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Congo (Brazzaville). His son, David Ely, who graduated from Princeton in 1940, served in the Army in World War II, and died in

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1946. His death was a terrible blow to the family, but especially to Ed. Ed is also survived by four fine grandchildren: Cadet H.L.T. Koren Jr., USMA Class of '68; Anne C.B. Koren, Vassar '69; David E. Cain, University of Rhode Island '68; and Nancy Cain, wife of David P. Pearson of New York City. He also leaves one great-grandson, David E. Cain III.

Ed Cain was a fine officer, a splendid field artilleryman, a man endowed with the type of courage described in the Cadet Prayer—"Endow us with courage that is born of loyalty to all that is noble and worthy, that scorns to compromise with vice and injustice and knows no fear when truth and right are in jeopardy."

Ed's decorations include: the Army Commendation Medal, Mexican Border Service Medal, World War Victory Medal, Army of Occupation of Germany Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, and the Star of Abdon Calderon, Second Class (Ecuador).

—J.E.M.

Carlisle Visscher Allan

NO. 6347 CLASS OF 1919

Died 8 December 1965 in Washington, D.C., aged 69 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

*Hand in hand, come gather every one,
Ere we part when kaydet days are done...*

AS THE LAST NOTES OF TAPS echoed and reechoed over the hallowed ground of Arlington Cemetery, a worthy son of West Point, Carlisle Visscher Allan, was laid to rest. Many friends and comrades gathered at the gravesite and, with bowed heads, reverently stood motionless in richly deserved tribute.

Carlisle Allan was born in Omaha, Nebraska, on 23 January 1896. His paternal great-grandfather, James S. Allan, a stout-hearted Scotsman, pushed westward over the central plains, settling in Nebraska about 1850. He founded a Scotch Presbyterian mission near Bellevue for the Indians who roamed the Missouri Valley and often visited that small village. The paternal grandfather, James T. Allan, established an outstanding hostelry in Omaha known as The Herndon House. Carlisle's father, Donald Allan, was an official of the Union Pacific Railroad whose headquarters were also located in Omaha. Carlisle was proud of his Scotch ancestry, and, at his personal request, a bagpipe contingent played appropriate music at the graveside ceremonies.

His mother, Corlynn Visscher Allan, was a direct descendant of Dutch settlers who arrived in New Amsterdam in 1637. The Visschers were prominently connected with the development of the early American colonies and owned extensive properties in central and western New York State. A Colonel Frederick Visscher was one of the many in that family who participated in the Revolutionary War. He particularly distinguished himself for gallantry in action at the Battle of Oriskany.

Carlisle received his early education in Omaha, graduating from Central High School in 1914. He was a member of the high school cadet corps and applied himself enthusiastically to his preliminary military training. In the fall of 1914 he entered Illinois University, majoring in architecture. He still

retained his interest in the military, however, and when the opportunity arose, in March 1917, he arranged to take the entrance examinations for West Point. Uncertain as to the outcome of those examinations, and when Germany declared war on the United States the following month, he applied for and was accepted as a student at the first officers training camp at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, in May 1917. In a matter of weeks he was notified that he had successfully passed the Academy's entrance examinations and on 12 June 1917 he entered with the Class that was to graduate in 1919.

Carlisle promptly attracted the admiration and respect of his classmates during plebe year. He was unanimously elected as the class president, and held that office for the rest of his life—an indication of the high esteem in which he was held by his comrades. Special bonds of friendship are created at West Point where the kaydets share the traditional vicissitudes and tribulations of plebe year. Carlisle's Class graduated early because of World War I, and understandably there was dubious acceptance of its members as full-fledged alumni of the Military Academy.



CARLISLE VISSCHER ALLAN

However, Carlisle Allan proudly referred to his Class on every appropriate occasion, pointing out its distinguished record in the service of the country.

In the summer of 1919, Carlisle's Class, now 2d lieutenants, was sent to Europe on a tour of observation and study of World War I battlefields in France, Germany, Belgium, and Italy.

Back in the States in September 1919, Lieutenant Allan reported as a student to the Infantry School at Fort Benning. He graduated in July 1920 and was assigned to the 29th Infantry, the demonstration regiment for the school. In addition to duty with troops, he was also named to be aide-de-camp to the commanding general of the Infantry School, and served in that position for two years.

Carlisle always had an insatiable curiosity, with a particular interest in the historic development of peoples and governments. It was only natural, therefore, that he should request and be given the coveted assignment as a student at Columbia University in New York City, where he majored in history and English literature for two years. His master of arts degree in English literature, awarded at this time, was for original research concerning the brief and explosive military career of Edgar Allan Poe. During this time when

he was attending Columbia Carlisle was also serving as an instructor in the English and History Department at West Point. Among the cadets and his fellow faculty members, Carlisle's deft humor, his sense of the dramatic, and his wonderful command of the language, all served to mark him as one of the most popular and effective instructors at the Academy.

In 1926 he was ordered to the 15th Infantry, then in the Philippines. There he continued to teach English and history at the University of the Philippines after completing the daily routine military duties with his regiment. He traveled extensively while in the Far East, and when his tour ended in 1929, he returned to the United States by way of the Suez Canal and Europe.

His next assignment was in the office of General of the Armies John Pershing in Washington. During the period 1930-33 he helped to ghost-write General Pershing's *Memoirs*, and it is worthy of note that those *Memoirs* won a Pulitzer prize. Over a period of many years he contributed popular and provocative articles to *The Army* magazine, *The New Yorker*, and the *American Mercury*.

In 1933 he was assigned as an aide-de-camp to the commanding general at Governors Island, remaining until 1936. He was sent then to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth as a student and graduated in June 1937.

Recognizing the ever-increasing importance of air power, Carlisle requested assignment and was sent as a student officer to the Air Corps Tactical School at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama. After graduating from that school in 1938, Carlisle, now a captain, was assigned to duty with the 35th Infantry in Hawaii and remained there for two years. In October 1940 he returned to Washington for an assignment with the General Staff, was promoted to the rank of major, and became the liaison officer between the Chief of Staff of the Army, General George C. Marshall, and the members of Congress; it was considered to be one of the most challenging and responsible positions on the General Staff, requiring great tact and broad professional knowledge. Shortly after Pearl Harbor, as a lieutenant colonel, Carlisle was appointed Assistant Secretary of the War Department General Staff.

In April 1942 he was promoted to the rank of colonel, and important wartime assignments followed: organizing and commanding the 410th Infantry Regiment of the 103d Infantry Division at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana; assisting in the organization of the XV Army Corps, and finally, assignment to that corps headquarters as assistant chief of staff for Operations and Training.

The XV Corps moved to the Desert Training Center in California where, with consummate skill, Carlisle directed the training of over 300,000 troops during the period July to November 1943. In December of that year he was sent to northern Ireland to assist in planning for the overseas training of the XV Corps. He participated in the campaigns at Cassino and Anzio, Italy, and then returned to Ireland to continue his work on the plans for the critical cross-Channel operation and the Normandy invasion.

Colonel Allan crossed the Channel with his unit early in July 1944 and served throughout the remainder of the war in Europe as assistant chief of staff of the XV Corps under Generals Patton and Patch. For his skillful planning of the operation that resulted in the surrender of the German Seventh Army at the Falaise Gap he received the Legion

or Merit. He was awarded a second Legion of Merit for planning the operation resulting in the capture of Strasbourg. He received the Air Medal for flying aerial reconnaissance under heavy enemy fire over the Siegfried Line. He was also awarded a Bronze Star for his outstanding contribution in planning the Rhine crossing of the XV Corps.

Several requests for Carlisle's release from his Corps to fill positions of greater responsibility were refused, and these refusals undoubtedly prevented his promotion to the general officer rank which his outstanding record fully justified. Paradoxically, he was penalized instead of being rewarded for his superior performance of duty. The XV Corps considered him indispensable. Carlisle was keenly disappointed, but he realized that many of his deserving classmates and friends in the Service had had a similar experience.

In addition to his many awards and decorations from his own government, Carlisle was honored by several foreign countries: Chevalier of the Legion of Honor (France); Croix de Guerre with two Palms (France); Officer of the Order of Leopold (Belgium); and the Cross of War Merit with Crown (Italy).

Upon his return to the United States in September 1945 he was assigned as Director of Information in the Military Intelligence Service on the War Department General Staff in Washington, D.C. In this post he had charge of the military attaché system, and was also given full responsibility for the supervision of Army intelligence training.

Carlisle recognized the increasing importance of training military personnel in foreign languages, and it was his farsighted program that resulted in the establishment of the excellent foreign language school in Monterey, California.

In May 1947 he was ordered, as military attaché, to the American embassy in Berne, Switzerland. The Swiss capital was particularly important as a focal point of world strategic intelligence. The following year Carlisle Allan closed his distinguished and constructive career by retiring voluntarily from active duty.

*Smoke from our last sunset gun
Drifts across the Plain, my comrades.*

There were to be new fields of endeavor—challenging, interesting, and remunerative. Almost immediately after his retirement Carlisle joined the International Products Corporation of New York as executive vice president. His operational base was in Asuncion, Paraguay, and for more than five years he actually lived and worked in remote jungle areas visiting the other South American countries whenever he had an opportunity to do so. His expertise in financial and economic matters and his knowledge of the volatile political developments in the countries south of the border proved invaluable to his organization. But the shadows were lengthening, and he and his gracious wife yearned for their homeland. Accordingly he resigned from International Products Corporation in 1954 and became assistant to the president of the Wayne Pump Company whose headquarters were in Washington, D.C. It was now possible to renew his associations with old friends and comrades.

In 1959 Carlisle Allan was elected president of the West Point Society of Washington, succeeding General of the Army Omar Bradley in that position of honor. He was a member of the Chevy Chase Club of Maryland, the Army-Navy Club of Washington, D.C., a member of Delta Tau Delta fratern-

ity, a Son of the American Revolution, a member of the St. Nicholas Society, and of the Society of Colonial Wars. Golf became his principal source of recreation and he excelled at it; he especially enjoyed the camaraderie at the 19th hole with his service and civilian friends.

In 1932 Carlisle married Emma Louise Stone, the granddaughter of H.O. Stone of Chicago and the widow of W.S. Bouvier of New York, by whom she had had one son, Michel Bouvier. Carlisle had one son, Donald Aspinwall Allan, by a previous marriage. There were no children by his second marriage. He and "Emmy," as she is affectionately known, were completely compatible, and their thirty-three years together were extremely happy, marked as they were by deep affection and abiding faith. He was most sensitive to Emmy's devotion and her appreciation of his many fine qualities of mind, spirit, and character. Both, in turn, proudly shared their impressive range of talents and achievements. Together they were guided by unselfish hallmarks of compassion for their fellow man. Carlisle and Emmy, without fanfare, helped many classmates and their widows whenever they experienced misfortune.

The relationships which he cherished with his own son, Donald, and with his stepson, Michel, clearly reveal his sympathetic understanding and wisdom. Donald had a deep respect and affection for his father. Carlisle was proud of his boy who flew 47 missions in General Twining's 15th Air Force during World War II. Don's plane was shot down by enemy flak in 1944, and he spent one year as a German prisoner of war. His valiant service was recognized by the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Purple Heart with two clusters. Donald graduated from Stanford University in 1946. Shortly thereafter he married and is now the proud father of five children. He had had considerable experience as a foreign correspondent in Madrid, Paris, Brussels, and Rome. He now lives in New York City.

The following, an extract from a letter written by Carlisle's devoted stepson, Michel, is a remarkable and obviously richly deserved tribute:

I do vividly remember that when Dad married my mother, I was 12 years old and scared to death of him. My own father had died when I was nine, and he had always been very lenient. How would this new military man react to a kid not noted for cleanliness, candor, and neatness? Dad was severe with me in such a way that I never realized he was being severe. Every situation was handled with such understanding and humor that the underlying reprimand was lost in my willing compliance with his wishes. He exposed me to integrity, demanded personal economy, and, by example, made me aware of the feelings of others—and all this effort expended on a stepson. I hope that his hard work will somehow make me a better father to my sons; this, I am now sure, was one of his aims.

Michel, a lieutenant in the 10th Armored Division during World War II, has recently returned from South America, where he had been in business since 1945. The Bouviers have two children and are now living in Bonn, Germany.

Carlisle is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Alvin Goesser, who lives in Omaha, Nebraska.

Every man's life ends the same way. It is only the details of how he lived and how

he died that distinguish one man from another. Carlisle Allan was told by his doctors that he would live but three months. He approached the end of the trail as he had traveled it—bravely, uncomplaining, considerate of others. He was a man of strong convictions and defended them courageously—but never with arrogance. He required no pills to reinforce his faith in man and God; no nostrums were necessary to dispel fears or to remove doubts concerning his philosophy of life.

We all are thankful for good men who have faithfully lived and triumphantly died. We, Carlisle's classmates, are especially grateful and hold in fond remembrance his gift of wisdom, loyalty to friends, and dedication to principles.

*Stand a moment while we look before;
Give again the pledge we gave of yore:
DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY, CORPS!
Till we meet again.*

—A.C.W. '19

Cyril Drew Pearson

NO. 6746 CLASS OF 1920

Died 4 January 1966 in Salt Lake City, Utah,
aged 68 years.

Interment: Wasatch Lawn Cemetery,
Salt Lake City, Utah



CYRIL DREW PEARSON

CYRIL DREW PEARSON WAS BORN in Lehi, Utah, on 4 April 1897, the eldest of seven children of Andrew C. and Sarah Smith Pearson. This was fifty years after the arrival of the first Mormon pioneers in the Salt Lake Valley. One grandfather was a coal miner from Wales, the other a scion of the Swedish nobility. Cyril was always conscious of the debt he owed his ancestors for coming to America from the Old World.

Cyril entered the Military Academy in 1918 with the Class which was graduated just two years later, in June 1920. This was the Class that in its second year was whipped into shape for graduation by General Douglas MacArthur, the new Superintendent of the Academy.

Upon graduation, Cyril was assigned to the Infantry, was promoted a few days later from second to first lieutenant, and attended for one year the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia. He then transferred to the

Chemical Warfare Service and served in that organization until the end of 1922 when he resigned his Army commission to study law. He attended the New York University Law School, from which he was graduated in 1926. He continued his studies as a graduate student at that university and in 1929 was awarded the degree, doctor of science of law. He eventually became a member of the New York, the Utah, and the United States Supreme Court bars.

In 1928 Cyril began a 30-year affiliation with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey that was to terminate with his retirement in 1958. In the meantime, his work for that company won him both national and international recognition as a lawyer in the controversial field of trade-marks, work that often led to trips to foreign countries.

After his resignation from the Service, Cyril joined the Officers' Reserve Corps as a 1st lieutenant and maintained his Reserve status until 1953. He had been called to active duty in January 1942 with an assignment in the legal section of the Signal Corps' Division of Procurement, but his tour was short lived. He suffered a severe attack of asthma, was disqualified for active service, and was returned to an inactive status at the end of March 1942. His asthmatic condition plagued and hampered him for the rest of his life.

Cyril's classmates recalled his quiet manner, his cheerful and optimistic attitude, his kindness, his willingness to help his classmates, and his loyalty to his Class and to the Academy. His business associates also spoke of Cyril's kindness and helpfulness, and they praised his high standard of honor. All who knew him admired him for his consideration of others and for the fact that he rarely displayed anger or irritation. Even in his later years, when he was suffering from asthma in its advanced stages, Cyril's friends recall that he was cheerful and uncomplaining.

As a Plebe, Cyril acquired the nickname "B-food" (for breakfast food, i.e., cereal) which the cadets somehow related to the name, Cyril. Cadet nicknames, however, far-fetched as they may seem, have a way of sticking with a man for life, generating as they do, a touch of the familiar and a feeling of closer ties between classmates.

In 1921 Cyril married Helen Smart of Salt Lake City and they had two children: Patricia Anne, wife of Dr. Orson D. Wright of Salt Lake City; and Catherine Sarah, wife of Mr. John A. Taylor of Cincinnati. The Wrights have three sons; the Taylors, two sons.

As an active member of the Mormon church, Cyril had already done two years of missionary work even before he entered West Point. After graduation, and for the rest of his life, he maintained his connection with his church and served in responsible positions with Mormon organizations wherever he lived. He was held in especially high regard by his church associates for his sound judgment, his fairmindedness, and for his dependability in whatever tasks were assigned to him.

Death came suddenly to Cyril following a heart attack. He leaves behind him a host of friends who seem to have been drawn to him by his thoughtfulness, his friendly manner, his many generous deeds, and by his admirable character.

—H.S.B. and Helen Pearson

Guy Haines Stubbs

NO. 7097

CLASS OF 1923

Died 29 September 1965 in Waco, Texas,
aged 64 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery,
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

GUY HAINES STUBBS WAS BORN on 10 May 1901, in Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania, the son of Doctor and Mrs. Ambrose H. Stubbs. He graduated from the Peach Bottom High School in 1918 and entered the Military Academy the following August.

He entered a starry-eyed idealist. Adopting the Academy's code of "Duty, Honor, Country" as his own, he made it the dominant factor of his life and service. He was a warm, friendly person, enjoying the comradeship of his fellows, but he was also intolerant of those whose performance fell short of their capabilities, or whose conduct did not merit his respect.

His cadet days were relatively uneventful and irreproachable, unless an infrequent Off-Limits hike along the Engineers' Trace of the future Storm King Highway of a Sunday afternoon might be considered an offense. His academic standing was comfortable, allowing him time for an occasional game of bridge as the day of graduation approached.

Graduating in 1923, Guy was commissioned in the Army Air Corps and assigned to the Primary Flying School at Brooks Field.



GUY HAINES STUBBS

Progressing to the Advanced Flying School at Kelly Field he failed to qualify as a flyer and elected to become a coast artilleryman. In this service he had the usual battery officer assignments, with the frequent foreign tours that characterized that arm during the humdrum Twenties, serving in Hawaii and the Philippine Islands. With a natural predilection, reinforced by instruction in motors in the Air Corps, he became a top-flight motor officer, keeping his fleets of aged, World War I vehicles in excellent running order.

Upon his completion of the battery officers course in 1929, his competence in motors was recognized by assignment to the Advanced Motor Transport Course which he completed the following year.

During the mid-Thirties he served for three years with the Civilian Conservation Corps, as adjutant and executive officer of a CCC District in the 1st Corps Area, and a fourth

year as CCC Adjutant General in the Corps Area headquarters. In 1938 he was assigned as a student to the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

The following summer he was ordered to the Philippines for duty with the Harbor Defenses of Manila Bay, served twice as commanding officer of Fort Drum, "The Rock," and later became assistant G3 of the Harbor Defense Command. As the fatigued day, 7 December 1941, approached, he was assigned as anti-aircraft liaison officer with the U.S. Army Forces, Far East, first in Manila, and then, as the situation deteriorated, in Bataan. Of this period he later wrote:

"I was fresh from the C&GS College and found time to marvel at how we just had to do things after the cloud of war obscured everything. No one could have convinced me that two weeks after the outbreak of war I would hold up trucks chosen at random from the streets, and commander truck and driver for the trip to Bataan with, for instance, a load of radios I had commandeered from the Postal Telegraph Authority..."

And still later: "We had not counted on organizing a crack infantry regiment made up of aviators who had no planes, but we did, and they held their line to the bitter end. Our AAA brigade had little preparation for duty in the line either, but that is where they were during their most desperate hours. They held the last line on Bataan while General King made such arrangements as he could for the surrender.

"No one could have been prepared either for the heart-crushing sight of our own troops, ravaged by starvation, malaria, dysentery, and defeat, in full rout. Those troops fought well and had held out two or three times longer than the plans said they could, but there is a limit to all things.

"I am proud of that campaign and proud, too, that I got two battlefield promotions in three months of action, from the greatest CG of them all, General MacArthur."

Parenthetically—and unfortunately—but as might be expected in such times, these promotions could not be confirmed following the war.

The surrender, for Guy, occurred at Headquarters Luzon Force on 9 April 1942. The frightful Death March that followed is best described in Guy's words:

"We had scant preparation for POW status, but we learned fast at the hands of the most brutal beasts ever to disgrace the uniform of an army. Corregidor held its fire for several days after the surrender of Bataan in the hope that the Japs would move us out of danger, but the Japs held many of us in sight of Corregidor while they moved their own artillery into position to fire on the Island. Finally the Jap artillery did open up, shielded by American POW's. This was too much, so the Harbor Defense guns were turned on the Jap gun positions. Plute Lindsay and several others were hit by one of the first bursts, but when I finally got to O'Donnell, that stout soldier at once urged, 'Don't let anyone blame our people for shooting Lindsay down. That string got a Jap ammo dump, and Japs were flying in all directions. It must have killed a dozen of them, and I had my money's worth right there.' (Plute later died of exposure on a third POW ship after having survived the sinking of two others.)

"Sergeant Carlos Hanson and I escaped from the column twice on the Death March, hoping to get to the Zambales Mountains, but we were caught both times, and both times were sentenced to death by Jap corporals sitting as a sort of summary court. The first

corporal was easily talked out of it; he even gave us some water and rice before sending us back to the column. The second one sentenced us to be buried alive in a much-used latrine and sent us to our fate under guard. But our guard became interested in five Filipinos who were being buried alive in the latrine ahead of us, and if you think that we were there when he looked our way again, you are totally mistaken. We mingled rapidly with the other jam-packed POW's and were not spotted in the search that followed. I often wondered what happened to that Jap guard. They were plenty rough on their own soldiers."

Of nine members of his Class who were taken prisoner by the Japanese, Guy alone survived the forty-one months of deprivation, degradation, and agony, sustained by raw courage and an indomitable will. He first went to Camp O'Donnell, but was soon transferred to Cabantuan No.1. In November he went to Mindanao and later to the Davao Penal Colony where he worked in the rice fields, contracting schistosomiasis japonica there. He also suffered from malaria, beriberi, and dysentery.

In June of 1944 Guy passed through Manila en route to Japan, and, after a ghastly trip aboard a prison ship, reached Yokaichi on 4 September.

When his final release came on 6 September 1945, he was in a wretched condition having lost most of his teeth from dietary deficiencies. He spent the next year and a half in hospitals, including six months in Japan where he testified in the War Crimes trials. By the end of this time, however, he had recovered his health and was returned to a full duty status—a tribute to his tremendous vitality.

He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, and the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster for two wounds received in prison: once when he was stabbed in the wrist by a Jap guard, and again for wounds inflicted by a belt buckle during a beating the Japs gave him.

In 1940, while he was at Corregidor, Guy met an Army nurse, Minnie Breese. She was also captured and was interned at Santo Tomas University. As a nurse she was allowed a considerable amount of freedom of movement at first, and at grave personal risk smuggled messages, medicines, and packets to the prisoners. The full story of her activities is a saga in its own right and deserves separate treatment. In time, the Japs found out that she was not only a nurse but an Army nurse, and severely restricted her activities.

Guy and Minnie were married in 1947 and were blessed with two children: Susan Louise, born in 1949, and Guy Haines Jr., in 1950. His family brought Guy years of happiness and fulfillment after the tragic earlier years of the decade.

Upon his return to duty in 1947, Guy attended the Guided Missiles Course at Fort Bliss, Texas. He then served briefly as commander of a guided missiles regiment, but in November 1948 he was assigned to Fort Sam Houston and remained there as executive officer of the post until July 1951.

His last assignment was at the University of San Francisco where he was PMS&T. In August 1954, when he retired, he resisted the charms of California and the blandishments of the local realtors in favor of San Antonio. There he was instrumental in organizing, and became a director of, the Brooks Field National Bank and was active in veterans' and civic activities. In 1960 he became ill and had to curtail his activities, but in recognition of his services he was

made an honorary director by the board of directors of the bank.

The years of abuse which Guy's body had taken could not be denied; his illness became progressively worse until, in 1963, he was admitted to the Veteran's Administration Hospital at Waco, Texas. On 29 September 1965 his wracked body could take no more, and this gallant officer and devoted husband and father found peace at last.

Robert Chaffee Oliver

NO. 7119 CLASS OF 1923

Died 13 January 1966 in Long Beach, California, aged 63 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

ROBERT CHAFFEE OLIVER WAS an Army "brat" and gloried in his inheritance. He was born in Manila, the Philippine Islands, the son of a dental surgeon who was later to become the senior officer in the Dental Corps. Bob learned early to treasure the nomad existence which added so much flavor to life in the "Old Army."

Bob was a natural for the Academy. His love of the Service, a well-coordinated body, a nimble mind well-tutored by Shadman's, a deeply defined sense of fair play, and a fondness for people made him an ideal candidate.



ROBERT CHAFFEE OLIVER

As a cadet, Robert led an almost ideal existence. Nothing ever really got him down. Academics never worried him. He was an above-average participant in all sports. He sang in the Cadet Choir for four years and took part in all Color Line and Hundredth Night performances. He always had time to join others in search of diversion. His pleasing tenor voice and faithful guitar could be heard in the rooms, halls, and sinks of old "D" Company at any hour, regardless of the Tacs. As one of his roommates wrote: "I check in with a final loving salute to Bob's memory—one gloriously young in heart; the guitar player with the snappy brown eyes and the infectious grin; the beloved, care-free, roommate who skidded into ranks at the last second; the true friend who would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it."

Upon graduation Lieutenant Oliver chose the Field Artillery and served in that branch

for over seven years before entering flight training. During the years before World War II, he progressed through the usual command assignments and a succession of Service institutions: Field Artillery School, flight schools at Brooks and Kelly, Air Tactical School, and the Command and General Staff School.

In October 1941, Lieutenant Colonel Oliver was detailed by General Arnold as an observer with the British Desert Air Force in Libya and Egypt. Later, flying P-40's with the 2d South African Squadron, he scored his first "kill" against the German-Italian Desert Air Force while on a fighter sweep over Rommel's line.

Promoted to colonel in March 1942, Bob was sent to India with the mission of activating and commanding the China-Burma-India Air Service Command. He received his promotion to brigadier general there in December 1942.

In late 1945 and early 1946, Bob commanded the Flying Training Command at Randolph Field, Texas, and in October 1946 he took command of the 301st Fighter Wing in the Far East and later the 13th Air Force in the Philippines. He returned from the Philippines to become Deputy Commander of the 9th Air Force at Langley. From May 1950 until his retirement, General Oliver headed the Air Depot at Burtonwood, England.

As far back as I can remember, Bob was courting Dorothy Townshend, another Army "brat." All during our cadet days we basked in the sunshine of Dottie's smile. They were married at Christmastime in 1923. To this union was born one son, Robert Townshend Oliver, who, when he married, took up residence in Westminster, California, only a few miles away from Dottie and Bob. The young couple, with their four children, was a great source of happiness to Bob in the final years when his health was failing so rapidly. Dottie still resides at 4629 Village Road, in Long Beach, California.

General Oliver was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, and Commendation Medal with five oak leaf clusters. He also received the Order of Rafidran from Iran, the Order of Chien Yuan from the Republic of China, and the Legion of Honor, Commander, from the Philippine Commonwealth.

Bobbie was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery along with his old friends and compatriots in arms. We shall miss him.

*One who lived valiantly has passed
Why should we grieve
If we believe.*

—A Classmate

Eugene Barber Ely

NO. 7290 CLASS OF 1924

Died 16 February 1966 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., aged 62 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

SO MANY OF THE WORDS of the Cadet Prayer match completely the essentials of character of Eugene Ely, Class of 1924: "... sincerity and truth... honest dealing and clear thinking..." Words such as these bring him to mind most vividly. His courage "that scorns to compromise with vice and injustice and knows no fear when truth and right are in jeopardy..." was matched by his courage in

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the face of the inexorable course of the leukemia which brought him to his end. He was a worthy member of the Long Gray Line.

Gene was born in Iowa in 1903, where his father, Hanson E. Ely, Class of 1891, was then stationed. His mother died when he was four years old. During his formative years, an aunt, and later his stepmother, had much to do with his development.

At the age of seventeen he won an appointment to the Academy through competitive examination. As a cadet he played football for two years, but switched to boxing when a broken ankle ended his playing days. Although he held the title as heavyweight champion of the Academy, Gene always said that the *real* champ that year was his classmate, Mangom, who had been disqualified from competition for academic reasons.

After graduation he met Helena Luke, and the two were married on 15 September 1925.

In the 16 years intervening before the outbreak of World War II, Gene proved to be a very effective junior officer. His longest tour of duty during this period was at Princeton University where he was a member of the ROTC staff. As well equipped as he was intellectually, he fitted better into that university atmosphere than most of us would have.

With the sudden and tremendous expansion of the Army in World War II came Gene's first big job—as assistant artillery officer of the IX Corps. In 1943 he was hospitalized with a serious illness, but on his re-



EUGENE BARBER ELY

lease from the hospital he was assigned to the China Theatre. Initially he was named as executive officer of the Field Artillery Training Command, but in time he was to become G3 and ultimately Chief of Staff of the entire Chinese Training Command. For his service in China Gene received the Legion of Merit.

After the war, Gene served as operations officer in General George Marshall's Peking headquarters where he earned an oak leaf cluster to his Legion of Merit. By the time the U.S. became involved in Korea, Gene was on duty in the Pentagon as chief of the organization branch, G3, Department of the Army.

Gene's last active duty tour was in Europe, as deputy commander (and for a while, commander) of the Seventh Army's Western Area Command. Here, his task was the construction of the three-hundred-million-dollar base near Kaiserslauten in what was then

the French Zone of Germany. To Gene's great credit, he managed to maintain close and cordial relations with both the French and the Germans and, as a consequence, was able to push his huge task forward with remarkable speed.

When he retired in 1954, Gene was determined to find a job which would not only keep him occupied but would also help to provide for his family's needs. Undaunted by the normal problems of seeking employment at the age of fifty he "beat the bushes" (his expression) looking for work. His efforts were well rewarded, for he found a succession of increasingly important positions, ultimately joining Analytic Services in Falls Church, Virginia, a company that assists the Air Force in solving long-range planning problems. His practical insight, reinforced by his long years of experience, proved to be especially valuable to this company in matters pertaining to logistics and to those areas requiring close Army-Air Force cooperation.

Gene is survived by his wife; a son, Michael E.C. Ely of the U.S. Embassy in Algiers; a daughter, Joan Ely Gildemeister of Washington, D.C.; and by three grandsons and three granddaughters.

All who knew Gene Ely remember him with the greatest love and respect.

—His brother

Victor Emmanuel Phasey

NO. 7570 CLASS OF 1924

Killed U.S. Transport sinking, English Channel,
25 December 1944. Aged 44 years.

Interment: Somewhere in France

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*I have finished my plowing,
I have sown my seed,
Again I have time my books to read.
A gentle rain steals up from the sea,
And a sweet wind bears it company.
My eyes wander over the pictures of
Hills and Seas;
My thoughts float idly to the times of
Yesterday.
At a single glance the whole of the
Universe I survey.
He never will be happy whom such
pleasures fail to please.*

VICTOR E. PHASEY

VICTOR EMMANUEL PHASEY was born on 28 October 1900 at 28 Perry Street, New York City, the son of a one-time British soldier turned music teacher and a Swedish mother. His paternal grandfather was one of the founders of the Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall, a professor of music, Queen Victoria's military band leader, and builder of the instrument known as the euphonium. His maternal grandfather was a mathematician and a sea captain who sailed his ship in trade around the world.

Victor attended the public schools in New York City until January 1917 when he joined the New York State Military Training Command. In July 1919 he enlisted in the Army as a private, and the following year, while stationed with the Army of Occupation in Germany, he took and passed the entrance exams for West Point. He entered with the Class of 1924. With his musical background, it was only natural that Victor would gravitate to the Cadet Glee Club where he soon became one of that group's foremost soloists.

Lieutenant Phasey became engaged to Miss Jessie Irene DeNike of New York City at graduation and the two were married on

5 October 1926 while Victor was stationed at Governors Island. In May 1927 the Phaseys were transferred to Hawaii, and it was there that their two daughters were born—Dorothy Jane in 1927, and Jessie DeNike in 1929.

A succession of peacetime assignments in the States followed Hawaii: Fort Eustis, Camp George G. Meade, Fort Benning, Fort Wadsworth, Fort Hamilton, and Fort Jackson. The attack on Pearl Harbor occurred while Victor was at Fort Jackson, and within a matter of weeks he was promoted to lieutenant colonel and assigned as a battalion commander in the 77th Infantry Division. Victor left Fort Jackson to take command of the 73d Battalion, 15th Regiment, then located in Little Rock, Arkansas. He and his men referred to the area occupied by his battalion as "Skunks' Hollow." His wife and daughters remained in Columbia, South Carolina, for the remainder of the war years.

During the summer of 1943 Colonel Phasey was transferred to Headquarters, 1st Replacement Regiment, Fort Meade, Md., and in October 1944 he joined the 3d Battalion, 264th Infantry, 66th Division, at the start of the division's final maneuver prior to its embarkation for Europe in November. Less than a month after its arrival in England, elements of the division were en route to France aboard the *Leopoldville*, a British-controlled troopship, when the ship was sunk off the coast of Cherbourg. It was Christmas Day, 1944, and Victor Phasey was among those lost.



VICTOR E. PHASEY

Phasey's two daughters survive him: Dorothy Jane William received a B.A. degree in music in 1948 and now works for the United States Navy in England as a secretary; and Jessie DeNike Thompson received a B.S. in mathematics and political science in 1948 and is now the mother of two sons, Douglas Victor (b. 1958) and Stephen Paul (b. 1959). Victor's wife, Jessie, died on 30 May 1965.

My father had many hobbies and interests. He planned to retire from the Army after the war and devote his time to writing. The photograph accompanying this article is a self-portrait made while he was stationed at Fort Benning. Our family's most treasured memento of him is a collection of snapshots made during a walking trip in England less than a week after the 66th arrived there. Included in the set are views of the quaint, rustic English countryside, a small English

village, a house with a thatched roof, and an old English manor house.

The sinking of the *Leopoldville* was one of the most tragic disasters of World War II; of the 2,237 troops aboard, 764, mostly young Americans, were either killed or drowned. It has been estimated that as many as 300 were killed in the initial explosion, and the others died when rescue operations were delayed two and one half hours. The ship sank only one hour's towing distance from shore. Author Jacquin Sanders spent two years researching the facts relating to this tragedy and in his book, *The Night Before Christmas*, concludes that it is impossible to fix the blame for it.

"There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom Thou has made to play therein. These wait all upon Thee; that Thou mayest give them their meat in due season. That Thou givest them they gather: Thou openest Thine hand, they are filled with good. Thou hidest Thy face, they are troubled: Thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust." PSALMS:104

—Jessie DeNike Phasey

William Walrath Lloyd

NO. 7593 CLASS OF 1924

Died 29 November 1965 in San Francisco, California, aged 65 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Presidio of San Francisco, California



WILLIAM WALRATH LLOYD

WHEN WILLIAM W. LLOYD PASSED AWAY at Letterman General Hospital on 29 November 1965, the Class of 1924 and the Academy lost a devoted son. Bill was one of those quiet, persuasive individuals who lived and died West Point. He was a true gentleman, always ready to help others, always willing to do more than his share.

Bill was born in Yankton, South Dakota, on 20 September 1900 and graduated from high school there in 1918. He then attended Yankton College and trained in the Students' Army Training Corps until the termination of World War I.

In June 1919 Bill entered the United States Military Academy and graduated in June 1924 with the "Thundering Herd." As a cadet, Bill Lloyd was the moving spirit behind every Hundredth Night and Color Line

show, and much of the credit for the cadet productions of that period must go to him.

Of the eight classmates who joined the 1st Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Bill was the only one to be given command of a company upon assignment. He did himself and the Academy proud, and it was to him that we all looked for guidance and advice. He was an individual of sound judgment, mature wisdom, and judicious temperament.

Bill remained a bachelor until June 1926 when he married Carol Ione Carter, at Spearfish, South Dakota. They had two children: a daughter, Sidney, and a son, David.

Bill served at numerous posts in the continental United States and had two tours of duty in the Hawaiian Islands. He was a graduate of several service schools including the 1941-42 short course at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. Not long after leaving Leavenworth, Bill assisted in the organization of the Military District of Washington and, as a member of the General Staff Corps, became its first director of personnel and administration. For his splendid organizational ability he was awarded the Legion of Merit upon his retirement in September 1944. He was on duty in the Pentagon at the time, but was retired for physical disability after extended hospitalization in Walter Reed following a coronary occlusion.

From 1924 on, Bill was a member of the Masonic Order and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

After retirement, the Lloyds moved to Northridge, California, where Bill rested for a year before starting on a career in real estate. In 1953, Bill moved his family to Santa Rosa, California, where Bill was connected with land development work. In the spring of 1955 the Lloyds moved to San Francisco, where Bill formed the Cal-Western Realty Company. That company was incorporated in 1958 with Bill Lloyd serving as vice-president and executive secretary. In this capacity his responsibilities included formulation of the economic projections on a number of developments, and management of the corporation's offices.

In the early Sixties Bill's health began to fail. He developed leukemia as well as heart trouble and was forced to retire a second time although he maintained his ties with the business until his death. Although he suffered a great deal, Bill never complained and was always cheerful. As vice-president of the Northern California Chapter of the Class of 1924, he was constantly thinking of ways to improve the organization, and could always be depended upon to do more than his share of the work in support of all class functions.

On 29 November 1965 Bill suffered a heart attack at home and died that same day at Letterman General Hospital.

Bill is survived by his wife Carol, who lives in San Francisco; by his daughter, Mrs. Sidney Cornwall; and by his son, Mr. David Lloyd.

Bill was laid to rest in the National Cemetery at the Presidio of San Francisco, California. May he rest in peace, in the knowledge that his high ideals and his love of family, country, and fellow man were an inspiration to all of us.

—Howard A. Malin

William O'Connor Heacock

NO. 7684 CLASS OF 1925

Died 7 November 1965 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 65 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

WILLIAM O'CONNOR HEACOCK FELL ILL in Spain and was air evacuated to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he died on 7 November 1965.

The son of an Annapolis graduate, Bill came to the Academy from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and from our very first days as cadets was well known and popular among his classmates. His previous military experience gave him an advantage over the rest of us, but he readily and willingly shared this knowledge with those of us who were overwhelmed with regulations, military terms, and customs.

Bill seemed to excel in anything he became interested in, whether it was academics, athletics, or poker. He was always especially impatient for the opening of the track season, and among the several records he set in the 220-yard event, his last mark survived for several years after his graduation.

Although he never gave the impression that he was working hard at his studies, Bill spent many hours coaching his classmates and still managed to maintain his own high academic standing.

Bill's loyalty was exceptional. In his first-class year, when he was designated Cadet



WILLIAM O'CONNOR HEACOCK

Captain of C Company, he seriously considered refusing the appointment because he felt such a strong attachment for D Company where he had spent his first three years.

Upon graduation Bill elected to go into the Air Service. While at Brooks and Kelly, his knowledge of the border and his fluency in Spanish were Heacock assets that his classmates drew heavily on as they accompanied him on forays across the border.

While at Kelly, Bill transferred to Cavalry, his first and earliest love; he had already served as a lieutenant even before he came to West Point. He was a true son of the wide open spaces and welcomed his many assignments to western posts.

Having excelled in math as a cadet, Bill was recalled to the Academy as an instructor in August 1930. During this 5-year tour he met Sue, and they were married on 28 Janu-

ary 1933. Their daughter, Mary, is now an Army wife, married to Lt. Col. Allen B. Jennings, son of Jennings '24.

During and after World War II Bill served as an IG. He was one of the few in this work whom commanders were happy to see, for, with his rare organizational ability, he soon earned for himself a reputation as a capable troubleshooter, while carefully avoiding the role of troublemaker.

In retirement, Bill and Sue lived in San Antonio from time to time, but Bill preferred to travel, so they actually spent much more time in foreign countries. During this time, too, Bill became very much interested in the stock market and gave considerable of his time to studying its operations.

Bill is survived by his wife, Sue, of 300 Tuttle Road, San Antonio, Texas; his daughter, Mary; and two sisters, Mrs. Helen H. Ellis and Mrs. Abby Roughton, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

-R.T.F.

Oscar Carl Maier

NO. 7687 CLASS OF 1925

Died 5 August 1965 in Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, aged 61 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York



OSCAR CARL MAIER

OSCAR CARL MAIER, born in Lodz, Poland, on 4 September 1903, was brought to this country by his German-born parents when he was two years old.

Carl entered the Military Academy in 1921 through a competitive examination and upon graduation chose the Signal Corps and a first assignment to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. In the decade following his graduation, Carl's duty tours were varied: company duty at Monmouth and in Hawaii, study at the Yale graduate school, and member of the ROTC detachment at Georgia Tech. But, by the time he had completed a course of study at the California Institute of Technology, Carl was demonstrating a special talent for organization and operation in the research and development field that brought him to the attention of his superiors.

At the request of General H.H. Arnold, Carl transferred to the Air Corps after that

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branch became autonomous and was soon named as chief of electronics and engineering plans at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

The man who never hesitates to upset an out-dated apple cart, or one who is blessed (or plagued) with a tenacity of purpose, such a man does not live a passive existence. Carl was such a man, and it was probably the resulting heavy strains that prompted his decision in July 1949. When his request for retirement was disapproved, he resigned from the Service to which he had contributed so much and from which he had received so much.

The Maier family joined the civilian community and never looked back, believing that they could not live satisfactory lives with feet in two very different camps. Carl became affiliated with the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Company in Chicago where he served as their director of research for nearly ten years. This new field offered him the kind of challenge he most enjoyed, and he attacked it with adrenalin flowing. Those were especially happy years for the Maiers, years when Carl also discovered model railroad building, an avocation that he enjoyed only second to chess, a game at which he excelled.

In 1958 Carl again changed course and for two years was the assistant dean of engineering at the University of Massachusetts where he established a graduate engineering school.

Carl had suffered a massive heart attack before moving to Massachusetts, and only his courage and tenacity enabled him to effect a remarkable degree of recovery. Now a semi-retirement, at least, seemed advisable, and the Maiers moved to Philadelphia. There, in 1965, Carl was stricken by a second and fatal heart attack, and a fighting man's courageous heart was finally quieted.

Who but the man himself can say what he may have felt to be his most outstanding achievements, his most worthwhile contributions? Carl gave the maximum to his every job, but I think perhaps he would have been proudest of the parts he played in the making and launching of this country's first successful meteorograph along with his colleague, Louvan Wood, and the development of radiosondes, radio and radar antennae, sound-ranging equipment for ground, sea, and air. He would have recalled with pride, too, his years as director of the Signal Corps laboratories and the Watson Laboratories. He was twice awarded the Legion of Merit and was also made Honorary Commander of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire for his work with those agencies.

In his chosen civilian career he might have felt that his proudest achievement was his direction of a long-range modernization and development program at Pullman, including the design and construction of a cushion underframe that helped make feasible today's "piggyback" trailer movement.

More than any of these, though, Carl's greatest satisfaction and happiness came from the rearing of three wonderful daughters.

To his family, Carl's finest achievements were the respect and love he evoked from them.

-Helen Maier
Wife

John William Black

NO. 7727 CLASS OF 1925

Died 26 December 1965 in Northfield, Vermont, aged 64 years.

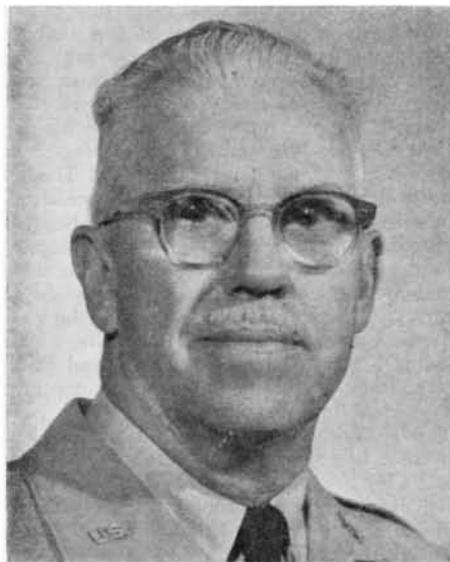
Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

THE SUDDEN DEATH OF JOHN BLACK leaves an unfillable void in the hearts of his family and friends. He had spent a happy Christmas day in his Vermont home with his wife Nettie, their daughter Kathy and her family; the next day he was gone.

John was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on 6 February 1901. After high school in Harrisburg he entered the Military Academy with the Class of 1925, graduating in the upper half of that Class. He participated in many class and Corps activities as a cadet and was captain of the rifle team in his first class year.

In August 1925, he married Angenette "Nettie" Willis. They have three children: John W. Jr., of Lansdale, Pennsylvania; Donald A. of Walnut Creek, California; and Mrs. T.L. Miller of Wayne, Pennsylvania. There are nine grandchildren.

John's original choice of branch at graduation was the Air Corps, but after a year at Brooks and Kelley Fields he transferred to the Field Artillery and served tours with the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston and the 2d Field Artillery in Panama. Those



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early years also included tours as a student at the Battery Officers' and the Advanced Courses at Fort Sill. In 1934 he returned to West Point for a 4-year assignment as an instructor in the Mathematics Department.

John returned to duty with troops in 1938, first as a battery commander with the 36th Field Artillery at Fort Bragg, and later as a battalion commander in that regiment. Next came a detail to the Division Artillery Staff Course at Fort Sill as a member of the cadre for the 77th Division. He was serving as S3 of that division's artillery when, in May 1942, he was sent to Fort Leavenworth to take the General Staff Course. At the completion of the course he returned to his former assignment in the 77th Division briefly before being assigned to command the 306th Field Artillery Battalion. It was while this battalion was in training at the Desert Training Center in Arizona in 1943 that John was badly deaf-

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ened by gunfire and was retired soon afterward by decree of the Medical Corps.

After his retirement, John joined the faculty of the Valley Forge Military Academy at Wayne, Pennsylvania, and for several years was Tactical Officer of the school's artillery battery. John still wanted to teach, however, and after some years as a Tactical Officer he was named Chairman of Valley Forge's Mathematics Department.

Valley Forge accepted his resignation reluctantly in 1953 when John elected to join the faculty at Norwich University. His career there followed a very similar pattern to the one he had set at Valley Forge: Commandant of Cadets for four years, then back to his real love, teaching. He was associate professor of mathematics at the time of his death.

At Norwich John found an old friend of the Class of 1925, General Ernie Harmon, Norwich's Superintendent, and the two became frequent fishing companions.

In both capacities, tactical and academic, and at both institutions, John was very popular with the cadets and with the members of the faculty; not because of any special effort on his part—he just happened to have those qualities which make for a true popularity based on respect. He was patient, careful, and scrupulously fair. He had strong principles and he lived by them, nor would he deviate one iota from them for the sake of expediency or to make himself appear in a better light. He was a friendly man whose quick smile and cheery greeting were characteristic and invariable.

Having to retire was a great disappointment to John, for it seemed at first that he would be deprived of the opportunities to render all the service that he was so eminently capable of giving. But he never complained; he was determined to live his life as it came to him and to give of himself in whatever situation fate placed him. Though he could not serve in the way he preferred, other opportunities for service did arise, and all who were associated with him in his new field were and are fully aware of his wide and inspirational influence. At Valley Forge Military Academy and at Norwich he personified by word and deed the motto of his beloved Alma Mater, and thus served as an inspiration to the hundreds of young men who knew him and were influenced by him. The remark of one young man, who had been a cadet captain in John's organization at Valley Forge, is typical: "I respected Colonel Black above anyone I know; no member of the faculty there was more highly regarded by the cadets."

John was devoted to his family and they to him. The children grew up, married, and left home leaving John and Nettie alone, but few couples enjoyed each other more than they; few got more pleasure in doing things together. Nettie will continue to miss him, but she can and does take great pride in knowing that John was truly a good man, and she draws consolation in the fact that they had such a happy life together.

—A classmate

William Alexander Walker

NO. 7910 CLASS OF 1926

Killed in fall from train 31 August 1965,
aged 64 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery
Arlington, Virginia

BILL WALKER'S TRAGIC DEATH on the eve of his second retirement from the Army brought to a close a markedly versatile career span-

ning forty-five years of continuous military service: Regular Army corporal of the Mounted Engineers of the 1st Cavalry Division, Cadet, Field Artilleryman, QM Subsistence Officer, Tank Destroyer Combat Commander, War Department General Staff Officer with OPD, Section Chief in the Field Artillery Branch of Career Management, Post Commander. Later, during his thirteen years with the American Battle Monuments Commission, in its offices in Italy and Washington, he had the added roles of: administrator, purchasing and contracting officer, negotiator with foreign governments, military historian, and part-time architect and engineer.

Though his early academic education was sporadic and incomplete in the schools of his native California, in Texas, and in Oregon, Bill won a competitive Regular Army appointment after two years' enlisted service and went on to graduate in the upper third of his Class at the Academy. In addition to wearing chevrons for two cadet years, he participated in a wide variety of extracurricular Corps activities: four years on the football squad, three on the track squad, and three years on the *Pointer* staff, assuming the



WILLIAM ALEXANDER WALKER

added responsibility of business manager of that publication in his first-class year.

In the spring of his first-class year Bill's widening intellectual interests led him to enter a college "current events" contest sponsored by the *New York Times*. For placing first in the competition conducted among the cadets he was awarded a gold medal and a substantial cash prize. Subsequently, competing in the *Times*' college-wide finals against winners from the major eastern colleges, many of whom were journalism majors, he was runner-up.

In the small and intimate Class of 1926, Bill's humorous observations and ready smile were well known, and his gentle nature, dependability, and mature judgment won for him the love and respect of his classmates.

Bill's pre-war service included the duties of battery officer, battery commander, and brigade S4 in various Field Artillery organizations, with stations at Hoyle, Lewis, Snelling, Hawaii, and Bragg. At Fort Bragg, while assigned to the 36th Field Artillery, he was Post S4. At Fort Snelling he was with the 18th Field Artillery during the CCC days, and there his job as Assistant Post Commissary Officer involved providing subsistence for several camps located throughout the neighboring states.

He was a graduate of the Field Artillery

School, the Chicago QM Subsistence School, and the Command & General Staff College. Just after Pearl Harbor, Bill organized the 813th Tank Destroyer Battalion at Fort Bragg, and during the summer of 1942 took it to Europe. He led the 813th through the Tunisian Campaign in North Africa, but in the fall of '43, after campaigning through Sicily, he reluctantly left his command for an assignment with OPD, in the War Department. Shortly thereafter he was promoted to colonel. In 1945 he received the Legion of Merit for his work as a Section Chief in OPD, and was retained to work in that office for three more years.

In 1948 Bill was assigned to the American Battle Monuments Commission as officer-in-charge of its Rome office. Here he distinguished himself in the challenging job of planning and constructing the military cemeteries at Florence and Nettuno in Italy, and at Carthage in Tunisia. In Rome, he initiated and supervised the program for the production of 90,000 headstones made from Italy's famous marble for use in World War II cemeteries throughout the world. In the Rome office Bill was involved in the approval of architectural design and engineering plans, negotiating with foreign governments, and serving in the capacity of Purchasing and Contracting Officer, all of which demanded Bill's careful and constant personal supervision. After four years in Italy, Bill returned to the States for what was to be a short tour with the 5th Infantry Division then stationed at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation (Pennsylvania) prior to assuming command of that post.

From Indiantown Gap, Bill went to the Pentagon for duty, first with the Artillery Branch of Career Management and then with the Secretary of the Army's Review Council, and in 1955 he was assigned again to the Battle Monuments Commission, this time in the Washington office.

Bill's retirement became effective in 1956, but because of his long association with the Commission and his earlier outstanding record in Rome, he was immediately recalled to active duty, and remained with the Commission until his death in 1965.

Just two weeks prior to Bill's fatal accident, he received the Oak Leaf Cluster to his Legion of Merit. The accompanying citation read: "... Colonel Walker attained outstanding effectiveness in directing the administrative control of the world-wide operations of the American Battle Monuments Commission. As technical assistant and historical advisor to the Secretary of the Commission, he demonstrated broad knowledge, professional skill, sound judgment, and discernment. His objectivity and extensive research efforts were clearly reflected in matters concerning the historical accuracy of the record of achievements of the Armed Services to be recorded on memorials, as well as in his recommendations relating to the construction and repair of a vast number of memorials and cemeteries under the Commission's jurisdiction. By his professional acumen and devotion to duty, combined with his harmonious working relationships throughout the entire military complex, he contributed to the success of a mission designed to honor and to record for posterity the achievements and sacrifices made by the Armed Forces of the United States..."

Bill's family life, his firm religious faith, his devotion to his wife, the former Eleanor Marie O'Connor, and to their children, and his wide range of interests and activities leave the definite impression of Bill as the complete man. Both he and Eleanor were not only

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avid readers, lovers of music and painting, but also ardent gardeners and enthusiastic do-it-yourself home builders. Bill was also extremely knowledgeable about the world of sports, and even found time to write a history of the U.S. Armed Forces in the Pacific for the *Encyclopedia Britannica*.

But foremost in Bill's and Eleanor's marriage were their three children: young Bill, USMA '52, a major of Field Artillery and a Ph.D. in nuclear physics; their daughter, Terry, a Phi Beta Kappa and winner of the title "Miss William and Mary"; and Dick, a graduate, at the top of his class, of Georgetown University Law School and a member of the Virginia and the District of Columbia bars.

It was characteristic of Bill that in his thoughtfulness he was carrying a collection of roses from his garden in Alexandria when he made his fateful trip to Long Island where Eleanor was visiting her mother. As his train was approaching its destination, Bill was pitched from an open platform and fell to his death.

Bill's death was untimely, but our memory of a dedicated soldier, a devoted husband and father, and a friend to man is timeless.

-W.W.O'C

Edwin Borden Broadhurst

NO. 10916 CLASS OF 1937

Died 4 April 1965 in Seoul, Korea, aged 49 years.

Interment: Riverside Cemetery,
Smithfield, North Carolina

INCLUDED WITHIN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of the United States Senate for 6 April 1965 are these words:

... Yesterday the nation was saddened to learn of the untimely death of one of our most valiant and able military officers, Lieutenant General Edwin Borden Broadhurst.

General Broadhurst was the distinguished son of one of North Carolina's most illustrious families. A man of great capacity and outstanding accomplishments, he was born on 16 August 1915, in Smithfield, North Carolina. . . .

... His military career included assignments in the Philippines, Java, Australia, and New Guinea. He flew 20 combat missions against the Japanese in the early 1940's. He has been decorated with the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, and Purple Heart. . . .

General Broadhurst's career is one of the most outstanding in the history of the U.S. Air Force. Beginning as a second lieutenant in 1937, he moved quickly up the ranks. By 1963, he became the youngest lieutenant general in the Air Force, and he was the highest ranking officer from North Carolina on active duty. General Broadhurst was a modest and unassuming man of superior intellect and capacity. His accomplishments were many and belied his years. This son of North Carolina was a worldly and sophisticated man, but he always remained a man of great humility and kindness, and one who never lost the common touch.

General Broadhurst is survived by his wife, the former Viola Seubert, of Cottonwood, Idaho; his three children: Edwin Jr., age 20; Mary Ann, age 18; and Barbara Ellen, age 15; his sister, Mrs. Marvin Taylor; and his mother, Mrs. Mabel Borden Broadhurst, one of our State's most vibrant

and attractive citizens, who at age 89, last year, was awarded the Smithfield, N.C., Citizen of the Year Award. . . .

It has been said that from the moment of birth a man's character is affected, for better or worse, by his environment. The beneficent influences in Ed Broadhurst's youth lend high credence to this belief. Heredity, home, and hometown all seem to have enhanced his early development as a man of strong character and purpose.

As a young Christian, an athlete, an honor roll student, and an Eagle Scout, Ed learned long before he entered West Point to lead by example. As a son, he was well taught to steer his life by the great convictions expressed in such words as God, Truth, Right, Law, and Immortality; that the making of a life is far more important than the making of a living; that stability is the best kind of ability; that courage in thought and action is the finest test of character.

As a cadet, at work or at play, Ed won the respect and friendship of all with whom he came in contact. As an officer, in war and peace, in staff and command, he earned the trust of superiors and subordinates with-



EDWIN BORDEN BROADHURST

out exception. His deep sense of responsibility, his prudent exercise of authority, his steadfastness of purpose, and his genuine regard for the human element, all were trade marks of his career. As a gentleman, he practiced kindness and courtesy with heartfelt sincerity and unflagging constancy. As a friend, in every sense of the word, he was without peer.

At the time of his death, Ed was serving as Chief of Staff, United Nations Command and U.S. Forces, Korea. His Commander, General H.H. Howze, said this of him:

Ed Broadhurst's death was a great shock and sorrow to this command. He was a most thoroughly capable and devoted officer, who, by a combination of genuine leadership, patience, and good humor, made this joint headquarters an effective and totally harmonious unit. . . .

It is hard to bid good-bye to a man whose every reaction was guided by the profoundest sense of honor and duty, who sought only the wisest and strongest, and yet, somehow, the most considerate and gentlest solution to every problem that confronted him. . . .

It is always hard to bid good-bye to those whose love or friendship we have learned to cherish. It is doubly hard when the

moment of farewell is premature by any standard. Ed was buried with full military honors in Smithfield, North Carolina, on 10 April 1965. Hundreds of his civilian and military friends and admirers from throughout the world joined Ed's family for the services and ceremonies. Surely all were in accord that Ed Broadhurst had been called too soon from a world that numbers too few men of his character and capabilities.

In recognition of his exemplary contribution to the nation's security, Ed was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

Dan Holton Eaton

NO. 12402 CLASS OF 1941

Died 15 June 1941 in an automobile accident in Michigan, aged 22 years.

Interment: Kalamazoo, Michigan

"FROM KALAMAZOO DIRECT TO YOU" was Dan's favorite saying, and it was understandable, for he was born and reared in Kalamazoo, Michigan. After attending the local schools, he applied for and received a Congressional appointment to the Military Academy. Although he had had no previous military experience or association with Army life, Dan's versatility, his sense of humor and his personality enabled him to adjust readily to the rigors of cadet life. When, during Beast Barracks, upperclassmen would ask him why his face was so red, Dan's stock answer was, "From eating peanut butter, sir." It was no accident that he soon became known as Mr. Red Rosy Puss Eaton. But young Dan never could understand why he had to shave everyday. His solution to this seemingly unreasonable requirement was to "shave" without a razor blade, a device that worked until he was undone by an inquisitive upperclassman who asked if he did in fact shave with a blade in his razor.

Even so, Dan was a mature individual in spite of his youthful appearance. He was not a file boner, but he did well in both the academic and tactical departments, for he was constantly striving for everything that West Point had to offer. Through his association with Riley King, Dan developed an interest in horses and the Cavalry, his favorite recreation being the week-end riding and



DAN HOLTON EATON

camping trips he was authorized to make as a First Classman.

Although not on the Corps Squads, Dan was an excellent golfer and hockey player, and, as first sergeant of H Company, Dan demonstrated his leadership and administrative abilities.

There can be no doubt that Dan Eaton's inherent traits of generosity, strength of character, high ideals, sound judgment, and devotion to duty would have made him a distinct asset to the Army had he lived. But he never had a chance to serve as an officer.

Death came to Dan and to his mother, who was traveling with him, as they were driving home to Kalamazoo on Dan's graduation leave. He had attended Johnny Brooks's wedding in Ohio, and was in the vicinity of Sturgis, Michigan, when his fatal accident occurred.

It might be said by some that all of Dan's work of preparation went for naught, but who can properly evaluate the influence a man has on his fellows after years of close association? Men of Dan Eaton's caliber are not forgotten; his memory will have an effect on those of us who were close to him for as long as we live.

Dan was survived by a sister, Mary Ann Eaton.

George Senseny Eyster Jr.

NO. 15041 CLASS OF 1945

Hostile death, Vietnam, 14 January 1966, aged 42 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

WHEN GEORGE EYSTER DIED IN VIETNAM, West Point, the Army, and America lost a devoted son, a completely dedicated officer, and one of the most considerate men we have ever known.

Just two days before his death George had taken a sniper's bullet and was wounded seriously. Despite the gravity of the wound, George was making excellent progress and was on his way to what was hoped would be full recovery. But he suffered a pulmonary embolism in spite of the best efforts of the doctors, and George passed away. All of us were the losers.

George was born into an Army family at Galveston, Texas, on 27 March 1923, and spent his childhood at a succession of Army posts: West Point, Monmouth, Benning, Sill,



GEORGE SENSENY EYSTER JR.

and Leavenworth. His father's other stations included Cambridge, Massachusetts, Hawaii, and Washington, D.C. Throughout all these formative years, young George was an active participant in Scouting, in Episcopal Church work, and in sports.

On 6 June 1945, the day after his graduation, George married Harriet La Roche, his childhood sweetheart. For their first post, they went to Camp Hood, Texas, where George was assigned to the Tank Destroyer School. George left Camp Hood for an assignment with the 86th Infantry Division, then in the Philippines. Only a short time after he joined the division he was named as aide to the commanding general, AFWESPAC. Harriet joined George in the Philippines in 1946, and for a time George served with the 12th Philippine Scout Division.

The Eysters were transferred to Japan in 1949 and his assignments over the next four years included: aide to the chief of staff, FECOM; G4 Section, USARPAC; 15th Infantry; 3d Infantry; Korea; and Washington, D.C. During the year 1953-54, Eyster was a student in the advanced course at Fort Benning.

After completing the course at Benning, there was a short tour with Joint Task Force Seven at Eniwetok before reassignment back to Benning—with the 3d Division. George attended the Command and General Staff College at Leavenworth in 1957-58, but he was back at Benning again in 1958 with an assignment in The Infantry Center. Later he became executive officer of the 58th Armored Infantry.

In mid-1961 George and his family returned to Hawaii where George was assigned to the G1 Section of USARPAC at Fort Shafter. He would eventually serve as Secretary of the General Staff at USARPAC before completing his tour in Hawaii.

In July 1965, Eyster assumed command of the 2d Battalion, 28th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, and took that unit to Vietnam. He was commanding this battalion when he received the wound that resulted in his death.

George Eyster was one of the world's most wonderful gentlemen. Withal he was a true professional—forceful, imaginative, and an inspiring leader. In sum, he was a grand guy, a dedicated dad, a happy husband.

Surviving him are: his wife, Harriet; his daughters, Lauren and Roma; his sons, George and Scott; and his mother, Mrs. George S. Eyster Sr., widow of Brigadier General Eyster, USMA August 1917.

The multitude of his loved ones, his friends, and his associates, all will sorely miss this wonderful man who devoted himself so completely to his family, to his profession, and to his God and Country.

—R.G.K.

Theodore Roosevelt Loeschner Jr.

NO. 18649 CLASS OF 1952

Died 24 April 1965 at Korat Air Base, Thailand, aged 37 years.

Interment: Fairview Cemetery, Colorado Springs, Colorado

ON 24 APRIL 1965, Major Theodore R. Loeschner died in an air crash of his Lockheed C-130 at Korat Air Base, Thailand. Graveside services were held at the Fairview Cemetery, Colorado Springs, Colorado, on 8 May 1965. Thus his family lost a husband,



THEODORE ROOSEVELT LOESCHNER JR.

father, son, and brother; the Class of 1952 lost a dear friend; and all of us, a soul in whose living we see no death.

Ted (or T.R. as he was known to some) was born in Forest Hills, New York, on 6 March 1928, but later moved to Delmar, New York, where he graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 1946. Even during these formative years, few of life's opportunities escaped Ted's scrutiny: he raised chickens, and sold chickens and eggs to his neighbors; he was also well known in the community as an amateur horticulturist and owned extensive vegetable and flower gardens.

After high school and during a two-year enlistment in the Army at Fort Totten, New York, Ted was advised to make an "in service" application to West Point. The advice proved to be sound, for Ted received an appointment and went on to graduate with the Class of 1952. Ted soon earned his pilot's wings and spent many hours either flying or on standby alert as an all-weather fighter-interceptor pilot with the Air Defense Command. Ted was also a better-than-average student, not only at USMA, but also at Stanford University where he earned a master of science degree in aeronautical engineering.

In 1960 Ted was assigned to the Air Force Academy for a tour that was to last four years. He first taught mathematics and later became instructor and assistant professor of aeronautics. In June 1964, he was transferred to the 315th Air Division, Tachikawa Air Base, Japan, and it was here, while flying a logistical support mission, that Ted lost his life.

Thus, the sum of a man's life is reduced to a few paragraphs, but the substance requires more. Some insight into Ted's substance can be gained from the words of several of his friends:

"Two of Ted's distinguishable qualities made immediate friendship with him easy for anyone meeting him for the first time—his perpetually cheerful manner, and his readiness to volunteer assistance wherever help was needed."

"I recall a visit I had with Ted while on a cross-country flight RON at Wright-Patterson AFB. On this last occasion that I saw him, I can recall the serious discussions we had concerning our respective military careers. Ted's thoughts revealed a highly professional attitude and a deep sense of duty as he mapped out his future career objectives. His subsequent assignments to graduate school and to

the faculty of the Air Force Academy fell within the pattern of these initial objectives.”

“Ted was as dedicated and devoted an Air Force officer as I’ve ever known, but he wasn’t officious about it. I’ll never forget that day at the Air Force Academy when Ted had the flu but nobody knew he was sick. A cadet came running upstairs to report that Captain Loeschner had passed out while explaining the First Law of Thermodynamics to his fifth-hour class.”

“Ted was a devoted husband to Marg and an equally devoted father to David, Dwight, and Siri. (There should be a fond word, too, for Jet, Ted’s horse, for he brought fun and relaxation to the entire Loeschner family.)”

Ted’s death gives us all pause to ask the *why* of so early a death for this man who would have had many more years of giving of himself to his country, to his family, and to his friends. While there is no explanation to increase our acceptance of the Divine Will, a close inspection of the REGISTER OF GRADUATES reveals that, in every Class, premature deaths have cut short the promising careers of many such men who might well have worn the stars that fate, on a later day, awarded to their contemporaries.

Ted Loeschner’s death was an answer to the call of Duty, Honor, Country in performing military service where ordered and when ordered. His friends have been privileged in knowing and serving with him. His was a friendship we shall always remember.

—His classmates and friends

H. Beecher Dierdorff Jr.

NO. 19377 CLASS OF 1953

Died 2 February 1966 at Madonna, Maryland, aged 33 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

“HE WAS DOING WHAT HE LOVED MOST TO DO—helping others.” This was the way Beech Dierdorff’s wife described Beech’s fatal accident which occurred while he was attempting his fourth helicopter rescue of people in distress during the Great Blizzard of ‘66. Beech was posthumously awarded the Soldier’s Medal for his total disregard for his own safety during this, his last mission—an effort to airlift an expectant mother from her snowbound home to a hospital during extremely hazardous flying conditions.



H. BEECHER DIERDORFF JR.

H. Beecher Dierdorff Jr., was born on 23 April 1932 at the Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, Colorado. The range of worldly knowledge which he brought to West Point had its origins in the traveling he did as a child in an Army family. He attended grade schools in Alhambra, California; Honolulu, Hawaii; Tampa, Florida; and Cisco, Texas. He spent his high school days in Cisco, Texas, and Washington, D.C. He graduated from Bullis Preparatory School, Silver Spring, Maryland, in 1949.

Beech’s four years at West Point were not without academic trials, but his fierce determination to graduate and receive his commission made it possible for him to meet and overcome each problem. His classmates will also remember him as an able athlete, an interesting companion, a sincere friend, but above all, a man whose happy and gregarious nature could always be counted upon to lighten their own load. A fellow officer attests to Beech’s competence in his chosen profession. He wrote of Beech: “... a fine man, an outstanding officer, a shining example of excellence by any standard.”

Graduation from West Point also meant the realization of another dream; it was then that Beech married the girl who had provided the encouragement and applauded Beech’s successes throughout his entire four years as a cadet. Her name was Jane Robinson, and the two were married on 17 June 1953 in the chapel at Fitzsimons General Hospital.

Commissioned a 2d lieutenant of Infantry, Beech completed the Basic Infantry, Airborne, and Ranger courses at Fort Benning in 1953 and 1954. Subsequent duty tours included assignments with the 2d Division at Fort Lewis, Washington, the Seventh Army NCO Academy, and the 370th Armored Infantry Battalion in Germany. After completing the Advanced Infantry Officers Course in 1959, he earned his pilot wings at Fort Rucker, Alabama.

Foreseeing a vast improvement of the mobility capability of the Army through increased use of aircraft, Beech transferred to the Transportation Corps in 1961. He served in the VIII Corps Headquarters in Austin, Texas, prior to a second tour in Germany where he was assigned to the 8th Transportation Battalion (Helicopter) and later to Seventh Army Headquarters.

From July 1964 until February 1966, Beech was assigned as Post Transportation Officer and Flight Operations Officer at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. At the time of his death, he was looking forward to a tour in Vietnam which was to have begun in April 1966. Beech won the admiration of the Edgewood Arsenal personnel for his consistently excellent professional abilities, but his many friends there will remember him best for his outstanding work with the children of the post.

Beech is survived by his wife, Jane, and their four children: Paul, 10; Patsy, 9; Peggy, 7; and Pammy, 3. Jane and the children reside at 1909 Cherry Road, Edgewood, Maryland. He is also survived by his parents, Colonel and Mrs. H.B. Dierdorff, Dental Corps (Ret.), 438 Hathaway Drive, San Antonio, Texas, and his brother, Captain Edwin Prentice Dierdorff, Medical Corps, Brooke Army Hospital.

It was fitting that Beech was buried at

his beloved West Point where he learned to live the motto, “Duty, Honor, Country.” Thus, the Academy adds another outstanding graduate’s name to its roll of unselfish men who have given their all in the service of their country.

Gerald Carl Capelle

NO. 22061 CLASS OF 1958

Hostile death, Vietnam, 1 April 1965, aged 30 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

JERRY JOINED THE CLASS OF 1958 and took his oath as a cadet on the “Plain of West Point” after a year at the USMA Preparatory School, then located at Stewart Air Force Base, New York. He readily adapted himself to the rigors of cadet life and soon learned how to “work hard and play hard” in the proper proportion and at the proper time. Although Jerry was serious-minded and conscientious as a cadet, he was a relaxed individual, and never lost his fine sense of humor. It was not long before he started to ‘drag’ his bride-to-be, the former Arlene Caroline Dill, of Newburgh, New York. They were married right after Jerry graduated.

After the Infantry Basic Officers Course and after Airborne and Ranger Training, Jerry was assigned to the 1st Battle Group, 20th Infantry at Fort Kobbe in the Canal Zone. It was there, on 21 May 1959, that his son Jeffrey Scott was born. By the time he departed the Canal Zone in May 1962, Jerry had acquired the title of “jungle expert,” and the designation was a source of genuine pride to him.

From Panama, Jerry was named to attend the Infantry Career Course, and the Capelles moved back to Fort Benning. Jerry’s next assignment was with the 101st Airborne Division, and in June 1964 he received orders for Vietnam. There he became Senior Advisor to the Vietnamese 52d Ranger Battalion, the unit he was working with when, on 1 April 1965, he ‘fell beneath a soldier’s blow.’ He gave his life that a fellow advisor might live.

Jerry’s medals include: the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Air Medal, Purple Heart, and the Army Commendation Medal. We are proud to have Jerry in the Long Gray Line, and we will always remember and salute him. He is a credit to his country and to his profession.



GERALD CARL CAPELLE

Joseph Grady Caldwell

NO. 22881 CLASS OF 1960

Died 29 November 1964 in Lansing, Michigan, aged 26 years.

Interment: Miami, Florida

THE ANATOMY OF A HUDSON KNIGHT—The Caldwell Memorial, a wood-block print in color, was carved by Dick Moses, an art instructor at the University of Illinois, in memory of one of the most outstanding, the most beloved young men of our time, Captain Joseph Grady Caldwell. Not only the men of the Class of 1960, but everyone who knew Joe, admired and respected him. Scholar, athlete, soldier and, above all, a Christian—as his life took form—he served God's might. He was the true Hudson Knight.

Joe was born on 16 May 1938 in Sanford, Florida, but early in his life he moved with his family to Miami, and lived there until he joined the Class of 1960 in 1956.

As a student at Miami Senior High School, Joe was outstanding scholastically and was a member of several academic, social, and civic clubs—but he is best remembered in Miami as a football star. As a measure of his excellence on the gridiron, he was named to all-State, all-Southern, and all-American high school football teams. In the course of attaining these laurels Joe set athletic records which should stand for years, and he did so without putting himself above his teammates.

In May 1965, the Joe Caldwell Award and trophy was established for presentation each year to the most outstanding student in Miami Senior High School. It is the only trophy in the history of the school to be named in memory of an individual.

Hal N. Black, principal of Miami Senior High School, remarked at the time the award was inaugurated that the new trophy was unique—and properly so—because of its association with a man as unique as Joe Caldwell.

Anyone who ever heard of Joe, but did not know him personally, might expect that he would list football first among his achievements as a cadet. But Joe's friends knew better; they knew and admired Joe Caldwell the Sunday School teacher, the man who considered service to God his most important work. Joe's firm, but quiet, personality was a real witness to his abiding faith in Jesus Christ. He gave freely of himself, and many men in the Army today owe a part of whatever success they have achieved to Joe's long hours of counseling.

But there is no denying that Joe was also an athlete, a superb competitor in any sport he played. He could pitch a softball as fast as any man; he was feared on the lacrosse field; and he was a magnificent football player. His passing was especially beautiful to watch. On the defense he tackled skillfully and with reckless abandon. He hit ARMY's "lonely end," Bill Carpenter, for a 1958 victory record that surpassed any recent ARMY team. And in spite of several injuries during his playing days at West Point he still managed to set eight Academy passing records, some of which still stand. Joe's courage, skill, and determination as an athlete brought him much glory: "most valuable player" on the 1959-60 ARMY team, and "most valuable player" in the College All-Star football game in December 1959. With all these honors, Joe remained a modest man—scholarly, quiet, dignified.

After graduation, Joe married Genevieve "Gi Gi" Mathers, and the couple proceeded

to endear themselves to an ever-increasing circle of friends.

Joe's first duty station was Fort Belvoir where he attended the Engineer Officers Basic Course. Then came the Airborne and Ranger schools at Fort Benning, followed by an assignment with the 307th Engineer Battalion of the 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg.

Joe continued to make new friends at Fort Bragg and in his own special way he changed the lives of many people. His humility, and his quiet, understanding way made him friend to both officers and enlisted men.

It was at Fort Bragg that Joe's son, Daniel Scott, was born. This fine boy, who is growing in the image of Joe, was the light of Joe's life.

Joe returned to the Academy in 1962 as an assistant football coach, a job he especially liked because it gave him the opportunity to work closely with young athletes in the sport he loved best. He did an outstanding job as a coach and the cadets who played under him were very much aware that this soft-spoken soldier-coach was giving them an inner strength that made their lives a little better.



JOSEPH GRADY CALDWELL

Having completed his temporary tour with the Army coaching staff, Joe returned to Fort Bragg and the 82d Division, but not for long. Within a matter of months he was transferred to the 809th Engineer Battalion then stationed in Thailand. One of his first assignments upon joining his new battalion was the construction of a 65-meter bridge at Pahnom Sarakom, a job which he completed with characteristic skill, enthusiasm, and dispatch. Midway through his Thailand tour, Joe moved to Bangkok where he became procurement officer. There he did another excellent job, saving the government much money on local construction purchases.

In addition to his usual military duties in Bangkok, Joe worked closely with the chaplain in establishing a weekly Bible study group, which, under Joe's personal leadership, resulted in a noticeably increased church attendance.

After a year overseas, Joe returned to the States and an assignment at the University of Illinois where the Army sent him for graduate study leading to a master's degree in civil engineering.

H. E. Carter, acting Dean of the Graduate School at the University of Illinois, wrote of Joe Caldwell, the student: "We know of his outstanding record and he gave every indi-

cation of continuing it here. We are proud of the things he stood for."

Throughout his service career, Joe was a leader in the Officer's Christian Union. Since his death he has been the subject of several articles in religious publications, and he seems to have left lasting impressions on his contemporaries. His friends knew him as an outstanding example of Christian manhood, one who placed spiritual success far above material success.

I recall that Joe once remarked after his mother passed away, that it is not so much for our loved ones that we grieve, as for ourselves. Our grief should not be for Joe, for he is now with the Lord he loved so well, but for a world that has lost a great man. God used Joe powerfully in reshaping many men's lives. If, as it has been said, a good life is not measured in terms of days or years but by what is done in the time allotted us, then Joe Caldwell certainly lived a good, full life.

"Well done thou good and faithful servant; be thou at peace."

—A Friend

Clair Hall Thurston Jr.

NO. 24942 CLASS OF 1964

Hostile death, Vietnam, 8 November 1965.

Aged 22 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

CLAIR HALL THURSTON JR., was born on 20 June 1943 at Lampasas, Texas, the only child of Clair H. and Agnes M. Thurston of Knox, Maine. Raised in an Army family, Clair attended public schools in many sections of the country: Texas, Virginia, New York, Georgia, and Pennsylvania—and he excelled scholastically in all of them. He was also a fine athlete, and he devoted much of his spare time to physical improvement. He graduated at the top of his class from the American High School in Heidelberg, Germany, in 1960, receiving the Bausch and Lomb award for scientific excellence and the Heidelberg American Woman's Club award for outstanding achievement.

Since his earliest childhood Clair had been determined to follow a military career, so it came as no surprise when he turned down several scholarships to civilian colleges in favor of an appointment to the Military Academy by Senator Margaret Chase Smith. He had also won a Presidential appointment that same year.

Clair's cadet days were marked by outstanding scholastic achievement, dedication to duty, and love of country. Graduating 22d in a class of 565, Clair won the General Pershing award for ranking first in his Class in Tactics and the American Bar Association award for ranking first in Law. He also established an excellent record as a member of the Academy's rugby team.

Standing as high as he did in order of merit at graduation, Clair had his full choice of branches, and he chose the Infantry. Feeling deeply that conflict was imminent in the Far East he requested assignment to that theatre and joined the 173d Airborne Brigade on Okinawa in December 1964. His engagement to Miss Virginia Baumgartner of Ballston Spa, N.Y. had been announced the month before.

In May 1965, Clair's brigade landed in South Vietnam as part of the first Army

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CLAIR HALL THURSTON JR.

combat forces to be assigned there. He served in several Search-and-Destroy operations and was wounded the first time in October 1965, by grenade fragments. When he returned to duty the following month, he was given command of a platoon of Company B, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry.

On 8 November the 1st battalion engaged a strong Viet Cong force in War Zone D, and Company B was pinned down by heavy enemy fire from its left flank. Clair volunteered to lead his platoon around the flank of the hostile machine guns with the objective of seizing a key hill. Leading his men in the attack, he took pains to maintain his own position between his troops and the enemy at all times. When all was in readiness he rose and gave the order: "Follow me!" and led the assault on the hill. Just 30 feet from his objective he came under direct enemy fire, was hit, and died instantly. For this action he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross posthumously.

Clair's other decorations include: the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Vietnamese Campaign Medal, and the Combat Infantry Badge. He died as he lived—a soldier's soldier.

In one of his last letters to his father he wrote: "Isn't it strange how we are willing to fight or even die for that little bit of red, white, and blue bunting and Marian Anderson singing in 'The Star Spangled Banner', 'O, thus be it ever when free men shall stand!'"

He was interred with full military honors at the West Point Cemetery on 10 November 1965.

David Leonard Ugland

NO. 25035 CLASS OF 1964

Hostile death, near Bien Hoa, South Vietnam,
8 November 1965, aged 23 years.

Interment: Holden Church Cemetery,
Kenyon, Minnesota

Encourage us in our endeavor to live above the common level of life. Make us to choose the harder right rather than the easier wrong....

These words from the Cadet Prayer expressed the philosophy of Second Lieutenant David L. Ugland. He was far above the "common level" and always chose the

path of right no matter how difficult it might be. Now that he is gone, those of us who remain behind salute him and only hope that we can live up to the example he provided.

Newspapers across the nation featured accounts of the battle between North Vietnamese troops and paratroopers of the 173d Airborne Brigade in the jungles of War Zone D on Monday, 8 November 1965. Lieutenant Ugland's platoon, part of Company A, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry, was in the center of the fight. In an engagement described as the heaviest of the war up to that time, David Ugland met a soldier's death, as described in the citation accompanying the Bronze Star with "V" presented posthumously to his family:

While leading his platoon through heavy concentrations of Viet Cong machine-gun fire he pinpointed a hidden machine gun. After warning his platoon, he exposed himself to the hostile fire without regard for his personal safety, engaging the enemy singlehandedly. Only seconds later the Viet Cong machine-gun crew recovered from the initial attack of Lieutenant Ugland and a burst of fire killed him instantly. Through his courageous actions the lead squad of the platoon had been given time to maneuver and destroy the enemy position....

The family has also been informed of or has received several other decorations earned by David in his brief career including: the Purple Heart and two Vietnamese awards—the National Order, Fifth Class, and the Gallantry Cross with Palm.

David was born on 22 April 1942, in Chicago. His family lived in Toledo and Columbus, Ohio, before settling in Minneapolis, Minnesota, soon after David's tenth birthday. In high school he was chosen for such leadership positions as all-School H-Y Chaplain, was a standout in the classroom, and lettered in wrestling. He was a member of the National Honor Society and a winner for several years in the Minneapolis *Star and Tribune* World Affairs contest. In his senior year he won the first prize—a trip to Washington, D.C.

He first expressed a desire to attend West Point when he was interviewed in connection with an award as a Minneapolis "Teen Trooper" in ninth grade. Hard work in high school and a good score on the entrance exam were rewarded by an appointment to the Class of 1964 from Congressman Walter Judd. As a cadet David struggled with the iron discipline of his plebe year, and once wrote that "another week of 'gigs' like the last one" would result in a trip home. He proved himself equal to the challenge, however, and soon assured himself of success with a characteristically excellent academic performance. He ranked high in the Class and won the American Legion award for standing first in chemistry.

David's fine record would have qualified him for graduate training in engineering, but his goal was to work with and lead troops, so he chose the Infantry. Having made this choice he spent the few months after graduation at Fort Benning where he successfully completed the Airborne course on 27 August and the Ranger course on 6 November 1964.

David then named the airborne unit on Okinawa as his preference for assignment, and he joined the 173d Airborne Brigade there in December 1964. The situation in Vietnam was deteriorating at the time, and David wrote of the intensified training in

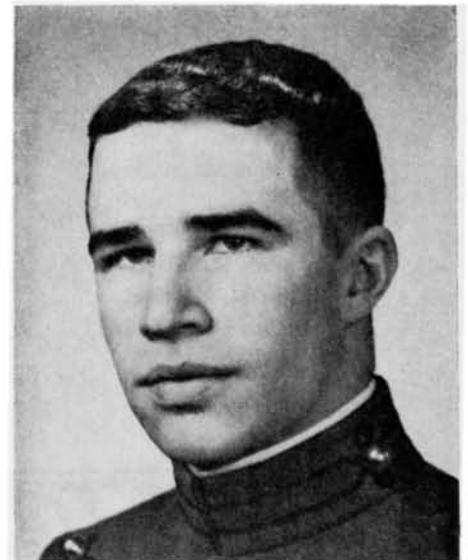
anticipation of a move there. In May 1965 the brigade was ordered to Bien Hoa, the first large unit to be sent officially as a fighting force rather than as advisors.

The following month David fell ill with one of the new strains of malaria which still baffle our doctors. In spite of a 104-degree fever and loss of weight—to less than 140 pounds—six-foot-three David refused hospitalization several times. Finally, over his protests, David was relieved and evacuated to Japan in August. There he managed to regain his strength, and he returned to Bien Hoa in October. The return orders were difficult to obtain because he had now been declared medically unfit for duty in the jungle, but he made it with the help of some paper juggling. He was especially happy to be assigned to the same company as before. Later he expressed his disappointment because he had missed a skirmish just a short time before his return. He also wondered why everyone back home seemed to feel sorry for him because he was in Vietnam: "I get a kick out of these people who think I'm being a martyr or something.... I'm glad I'm here," he wrote his parents. His last letters told of his preparations for the search-and-destroy mission which was to cost him his life.

David's close friends well remember the many good times we had at his home at 119 West Minnehaha Parkway, in Minneapolis. The Ugland house suddenly became a social center whenever David came home, and the discussions usually ran far into the night and covered such a wide range of topics as politics, foreign affairs, college, the Army, our futures, sports, and, of course, girls. Some of us even made plans to encourage David to enter politics after his Army career, but he was much more interested in a teaching career, either at the Academy or at some other college. But all of these plans came to an abrupt end on that November day in a far-off jungle.

Those of us who knew David will always remember his high ideals and the many successes he achieved in just 23 years. His life was taken at its very peak, but the sadness of the loss is eased somewhat by the wonderful memories of the man. His parents, his older sister, his two younger brothers, and his countless friends miss him, but they also find inspiration in his memory. To them he remains much revered and never to be forgotten.

—Edward Wallin



DAVID LEONARD UGLAND



Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received
since the publication of the Summer 1966 ASSEMBLY

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
Lewis S. Sorley.....	1891.....15	August 1966.....	Washington, D.C.
Leon B. Kromer.....	1899.....6	September 1966.....	Germantown, Maryland
Richard C. Moore.....	1903.....20	August 1966.....	Monterey, California
Merrill D. Wheeler.....	1904.....26	July 1966.....	Cavendish, Vermont
Clement H. Wright.....	1904.....10	September 1966.....	Scarsdale, New York
John B. Golden.....	Ex-1904.....14	July 1966.....	Staten Island, New York
Sherman Miles.....	1905.....7	October 1966.....	Beverly, Massachusetts
Fred H. Coleman.....	1907.....25	August 1966.....	Richmond, Virginia
William A. Ganoe.....	1907.....5	September 1966.....	Sarasota, Florida
Robert C. Rodgers.....	1908.....16	August 1966.....	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Horace H. Fuller.....	1909.....18	September 1966.....	Isle of Man, United Kingdom
Oscar J. Gatchell.....	1912.....18	September 1966.....	North Kingston, Rhode Island
Francis R. Fuller.....	1913.....10	October 1966.....	Orono, Maine
DeRosey C. Cabell Jr.....	1916.....1	July 1966.....	Indianapolis, Indiana
Laurence B. Meacham.....	Apr 1917.....24	September 1966.....	Havre de Grace, Maryland
Leo A. Smith.....	Ex-Aug 1917.....2	October 1966.....	Trenton, New Jersey
Vincent J. Conrad.....	Nov 1918.....26	August 1966.....	Whittier, California
Frederick deP. Townsend.....	Ex-Nov 1918.....11	July 1966.....	Scarsdale, New York
Harold J. Chapman.....	1920.....8	September 1966.....	Palm Springs, California
Paul K. Porch.....	1923.....7	September 1966.....	San Antonio, Texas
George F. Williams.....	1923.....12	October 1966.....	Charlotte, North Carolina
Reginald L. Dean.....	1924.....8	August 1966.....	New Brunswick, New Jersey
Bjarne Furuholmen.....	1924.....26	August 1966.....	Eustis, Florida
Dennis M. Moore.....	1924.....17	August 1966.....	Columbus, Georgia
William C. Baker Jr.....	1926.....5	October 1966.....	Washington, D.C.
David W. Heiman.....	1928.....18	September 1966.....	Denver, Colorado
William S. Coit.....	1932.....30	July 1966.....	Palo Alto, California
William R. Maxwell.....	1937.....16	August 1966.....	Washington, D.C.
Bernard A. Ferry.....	1940.....7	October 1966.....	Huntsville, Alabama
Howard L. Felchlin.....	1941.....3	August 1966.....	Fort Belvoir, Virginia
Thomas W. Sharkey.....	1941.....7	October 1966.....	Ferrisburg, Vermont
Oscar Morales-Duvall.....	1952.....3	October 1966.....	Guatemala City, Guatemala
Terry W. Creighton.....	1956.....24	August 1966.....	near Waxahachie, Texas
Erman M. Newman Jr.....	1957.....12	August 1966.....	Vietnam (hostile death)
William T. Deuel.....	1961.....30	September 1966.....	Vietnam (hostile death)
Robert P. Andrews.....	1962.....3	September 1966.....	Vietnam (hostile death)
James M. McDonough.....	1962.....2	August 1966.....	Vietnam (hostile death)
John M. Harrington.....	1963.....19	September 1966.....	Vietnam (hostile death)
Leonard D. Davis II.....	1965.....2	August 1966.....	Vietnam (hostile death)



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indicator which would highlight in advance a lack of the required motivation in a candidate. It is clear, however, that candidates must be impressed with the amount of effort and determination required to succeed as a cadet, and they must know that proper motivation and attitude are essential if they are to remain and succeed at the Military Academy.

We want the young men entering the Academy to know about the Honor Code and System and the realities of Beast Barracks and cadet life before they arrive here. We want them to come here prepared mentally to live by the Honor Code from the day they arrive, and ready to face and successfully complete a rigorously challenging training program. If we can make the candidates realize the magnitude of the challenge they face, we are successful. To this end, we are working toward a better candidate orientation through advance communication. A letter from the Chairman of the Cadet Honor Committee goes out with the candidate's notice of qualification. It is a brief explanation of what the Code is, why we have it, and the necessity for accepting the Code from the first day on. Also included is a congratulatory letter from me. In it I explain the demands of the first year, emphasize the mission of USMA, and ask that they not enter as an experiment or trial but enter only if they have a firm resolve to pursue an Army career. I send a second letter in early June which emphasizes the demanding features of our mission. Finally, a special appeal to come prepared for the summer's training is made in a letter dispatched in mid-June by the "King of Beasts," the Cadet Commander of New Cadet Barracks.

Also concerning candidates, I am sure that all graduates will be interested in hearing that minority group representation in the Corps of Cadets and on the Staff and Faculty is being given special attention. We hope that recently initiated emphasis on increasing this representation will bring to the Academy the outstanding minority group talent available throughout the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D.V. Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "B" and a distinct "D.V." at the beginning.

D.V. BENNETT
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