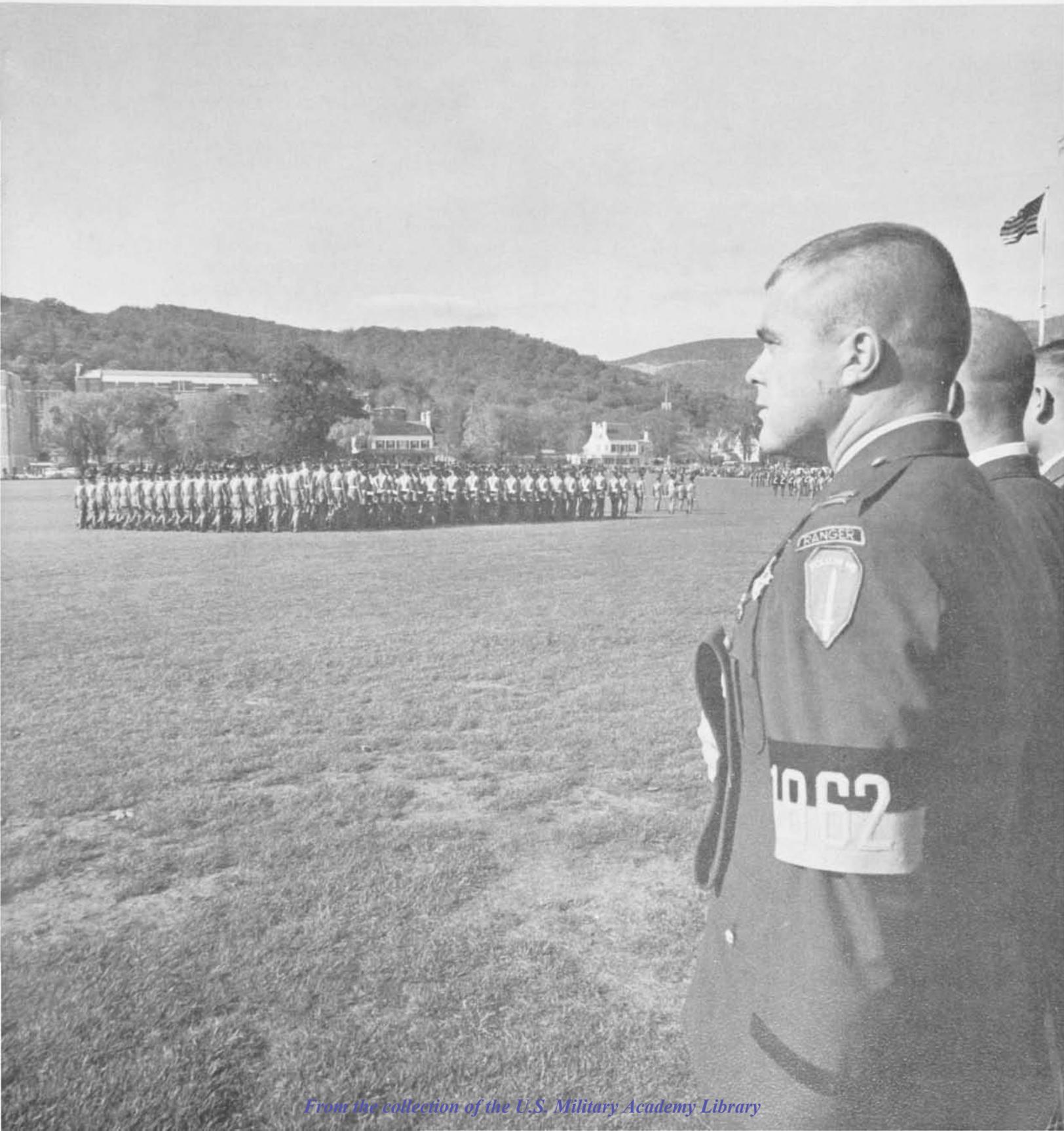


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Fellow Graduates:

The Superintendent annually renders a report to the Chief of Staff of the Army on activities and developments at the Military Academy during the preceding year. I had hoped to provide each graduate, along with this issue of ASSEMBLY, a copy of that portion of the report for 1966-67 giving my philosophy and evaluation of the Academy's problems, progress, posture, and future, but printing and mailing costs made such a venture infeasible. However, in addition to wide distribution through academic and Army channels, we have sent copies of the basic 25-page volume to all Trustees of the Association of Graduates, class officers, and West Point Society presidents, with the request that they circulate the report among as many alumni as possible. I hope each of you will take the opportunity to obtain and read it.

Prior to the writing of this letter, I went back through the past seven editions to see if any item might have been mentioned in my previous letters that needed updating and was not covered in either a subsequent ASSEMBLY article or the Annual Report cited above. In the last winter edition I mentioned the experiment being conducted in giving the upper two classes one comprehensive examination at term-end in each subject rather than the traditional series of written general reviews. The results of this experiment during the past academic year have indicated that this new procedure has many advantages, and we intend to continue with this concept as a matter of examination policy.

While the continuing alterations in our physical plant have been well covered in both this magazine and periodic reports, there is perhaps one facet of the Academy's expansion--that of necessary internal organizational changes in the Corps--that has not been as fully treated. The latest such change took place this fall with the addition of eight companies, one to each battalion, to the Corps structure. The 3,300-man brigade is now composed of four regiments, each made up of two battalions of four companies each. The final organizational adjustment, in progressing to the authorized strength of 4,417 during the next four years, will occur in 1969 when each regiment will be augmented by an additional company and be realigned into three battalions, each having three companies. This array of a 12-battalion front on parade before the new Washington Hall-Barracks setting should indeed be an impressive and reassuring sight for all returning alumni.

This fall we were able for the first time to carry out the full range of alumni ceremonies and activities during the Homecoming Weekend that have heretofore been conducted only during June Week. Comments on this program by the participating graduates were universally favorable. Certainly the Indian summer weather, a good turn-out of reunion classes, and a determined, winning effort by the ARMY team provided the necessary ingredients to make this Homecoming particularly enjoyable. It is anticipated that this traditional reunion period will become an increasingly attractive occasion for graduates to return to their Alma Mater, and we hope that each of you will take the opportunity at some time in the future to share in its pleasures and to cheer the ARMY team on in mid-season to its ultimate objective--BEAT NAVY!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D.V. Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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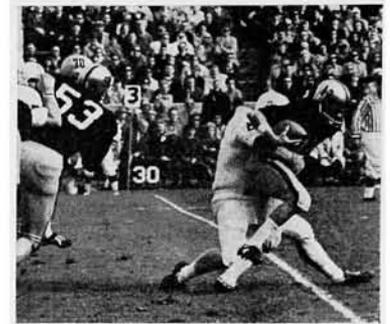
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HOMECOMING

by REYNOLDS R. KELEHER

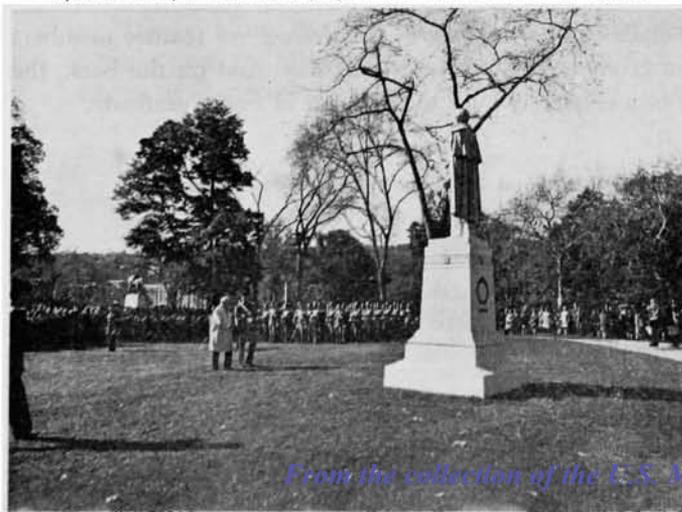
FOR the brigade of alumni that converged on West Point during the weekend of 27-29 October, it was a Homecoming to remember. Three classes, '52, '57, and '62, were back in greater numbers than any of the others, for there would be for them, the added pleasures that go with reunions, and it was for them especially, that all the time-honored rituals of June Week were included in the program. It was the second year for fall reunions, but weather had intervened to curtail the Alumni Exercises in 1966. As a consequence, it wasn't until this year that the old and the not-so-old grads made the traditional march to Thayer Monument, located temporarily on the site of the old hotel while the new barracks

construction is in progress. Some 700 marched in measured step behind General Charles C. Drake '12, who, as the oldest returning graduate, also had the honor of placing the wreath before Father Thayer's statue. As it had throughout the entire long weekend, a bright autumn sun shone down on the ceremony, and the magic of the combined cadet choirs, arranged against a backdrop of the Hudson, "cast a spell."

Immediately following the Exercises, the graduates moved to the Plain and there, in a long line facing the Corps, took the review which was the cadets' special contribution to Homecoming.

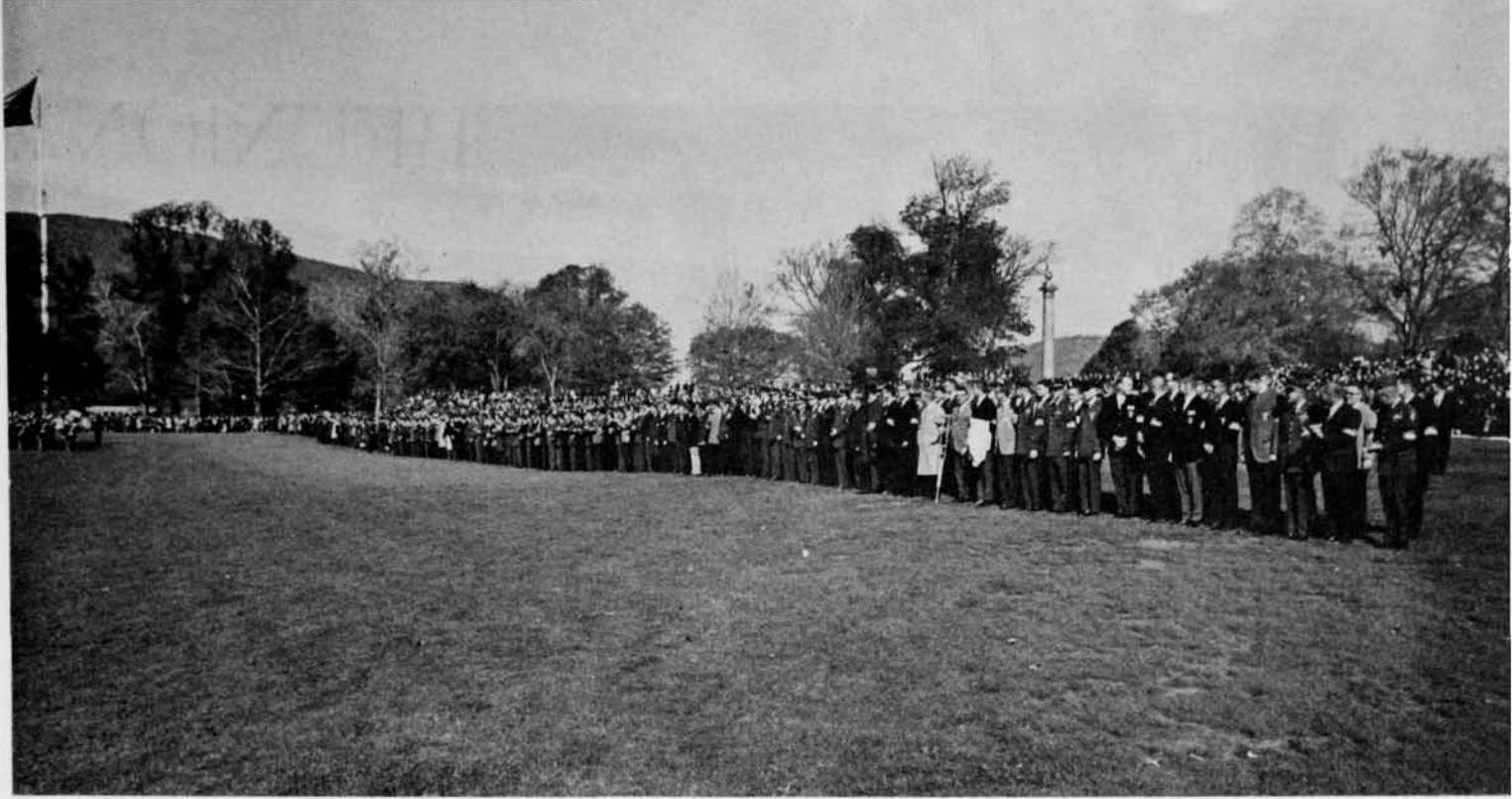
The buffet luncheon that taxed the facilities of the

The old and the new join to pay symbolic tribute to the memory of Sylvanus Thayer with the laying of the wreath before his statue.



Generals Schuyler, Drake, and Bennett move to the head of the column for the march to Trophy Point.





1967

All of the traditional June Week
alumni activities were included in this,
the second year of fall reunions.

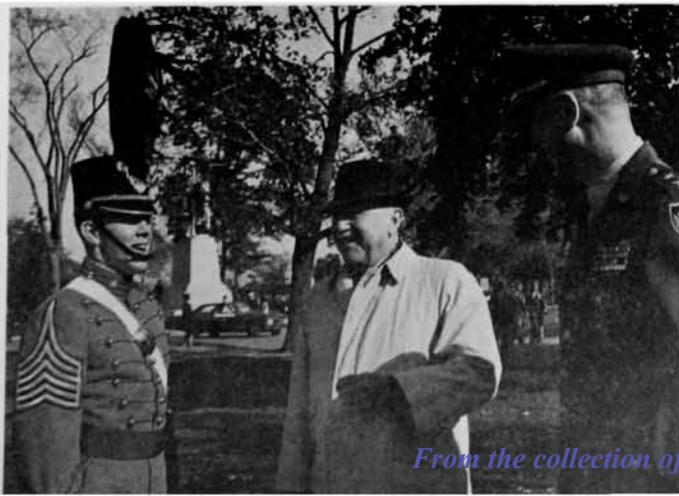
West Point Army Mess to the maximum was only an incidental event on the program, filling in as it did the brief interval between the parade and the football game against Stanford. Had the Homecoming planners prepared a script for the game, it could not have been more exciting for the fans who filled the stadium to overflowing. ARMY's never-say-die football squad, down 10-0 at the end of the first quarter, overcame that deficit, and, with just minutes to play, tallied the go-ahead touchdown. The final two minutes saw the ball change hands several times as both teams fought for possession, but it was destined to be ARMY's day—the gun sounded on the cadets' fifth victory of the season, 24-20. The happy but spent homecoming

crowd filtered slowly out of the stands to get ready for the Superintendent's reception and dinner-dance in Washington Hall later in the evening.

On Sunday morning General Bennett joined the Class of '57 for the formal dedication of a marble drinking fountain at the entrance to the cemetery, a gift of the Class to the Academy. It was the final Homecoming event.

By sundown Sunday, Homecoming was just a happy memory—West Point and the Corps were already settling back into their normal routine, old grads on their way home were still savoring the revival of old ties, and the football coaching staff was conceiving its plan for the game against the Air Force Academy.

Cadet First Captain Throckmorton and General Bennett visit with General Drake (center) before the review for the alumni.



The charming Miss Janet Jones of Minneapolis receives congratulations after having been chosen by cadets as Homecoming Queen.



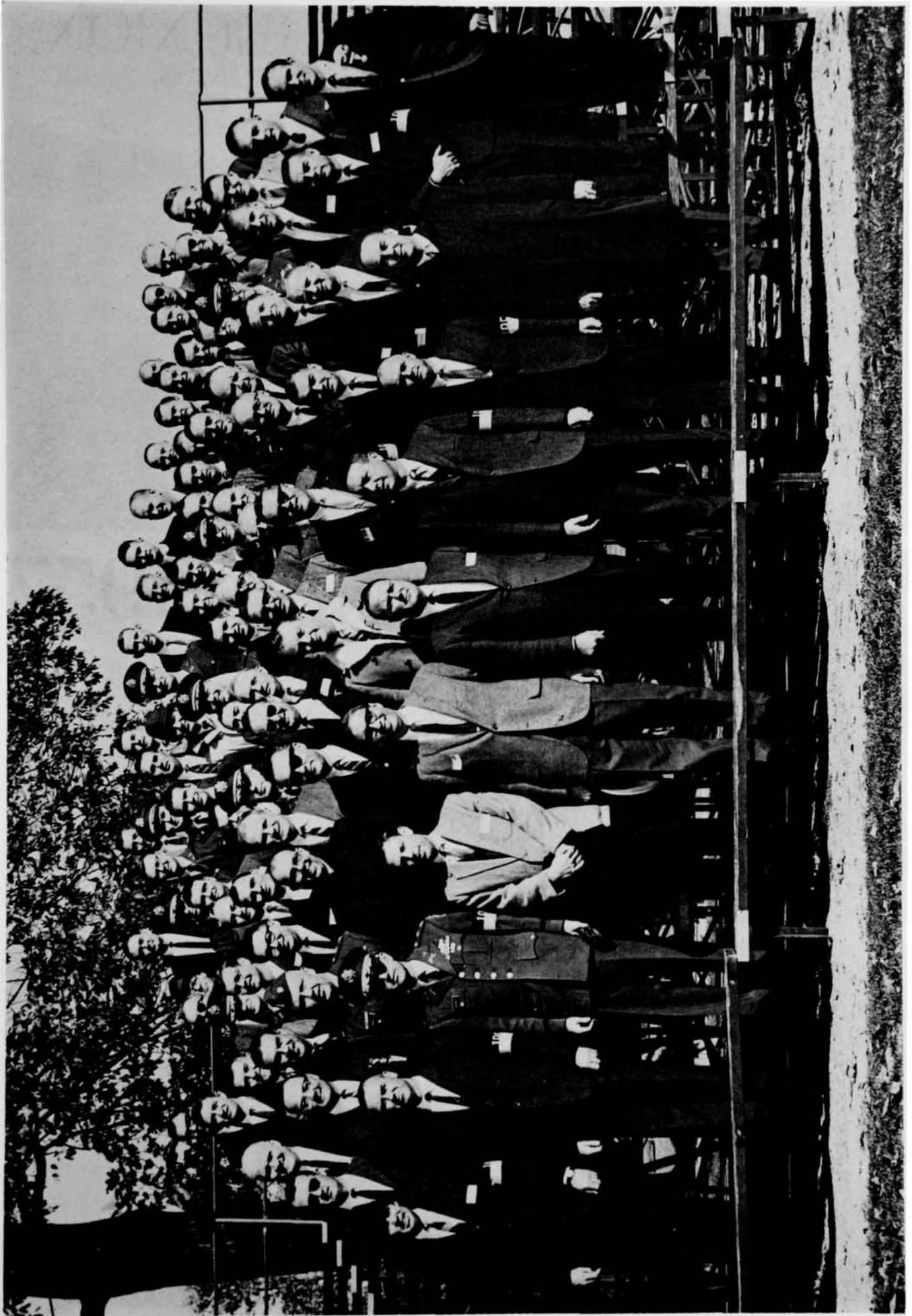
REUNION...



1952

The Sesquicentennial Class of 1952—this season's senior reunion class—returned in strength to celebrate its 15th Reunion. Highlights of a full weekend of activities included a Friday night party at the golf clubhouse, a Saturday morning memorial service at the Old Cadet Chapel, and seats in the middle of all the action at the football game. The senior citizens of '52 appreciated the extra hour's sleep made possible when the authorities turned the clocks back Sunday morning.





FALL 1967

Class of 1952

From the collection of the U.S. Military Academy Library

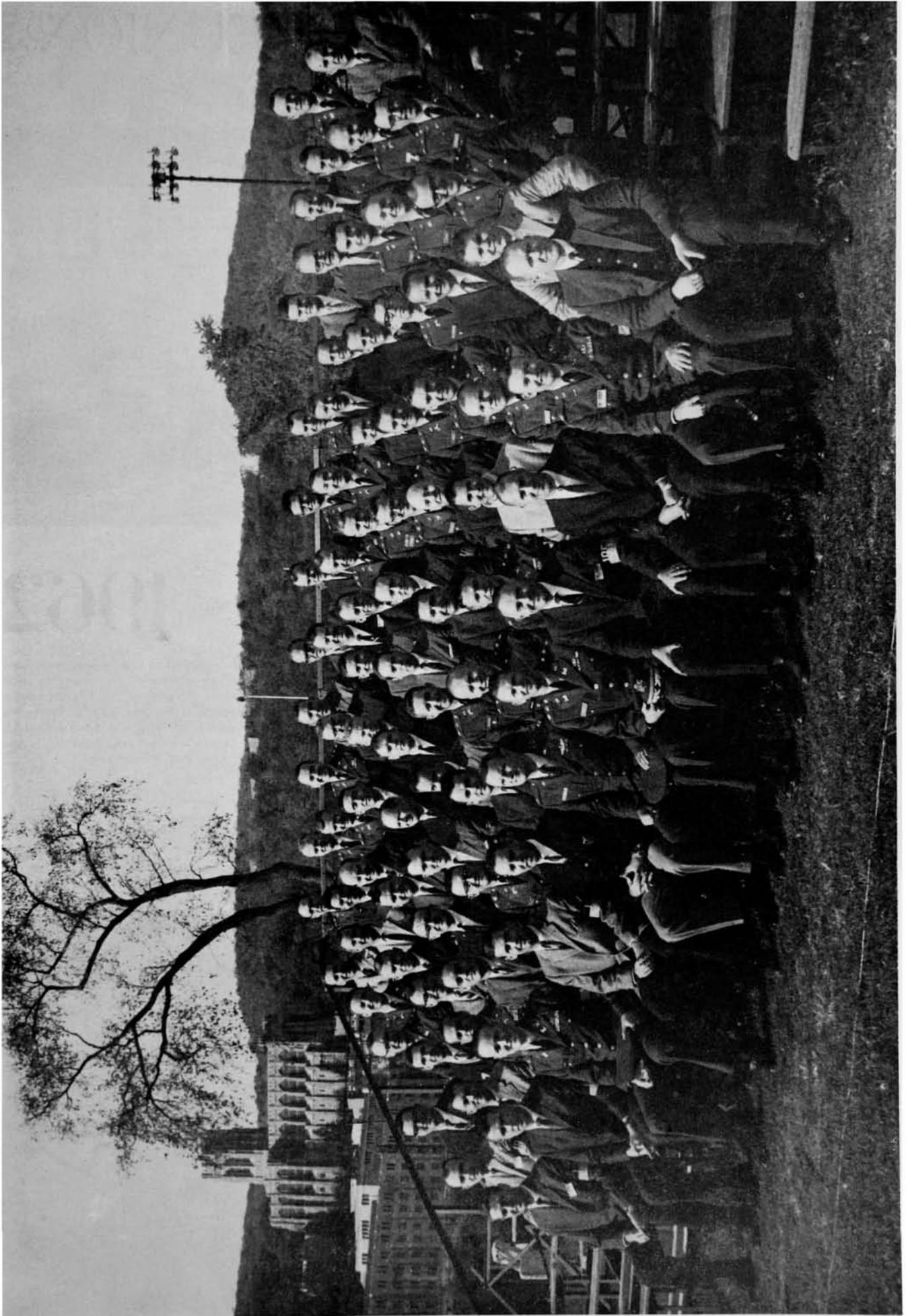
REUNION...



1957

The celebration by this largest gathering of the "Black" Class since graduation, began with a highly successful dinner at the Thayer Hotel. Coach Tom Cahill's talk at the dinner set the high tone for the evening that almost flowed over to the group shot formation (opposite) the following morning. It seemed the reunion had hardly begun when the Superintendent joined the Class in dedicating its handsome drinking fountain on Sunday morning, but it was already time to say farewell.





Class of 1957

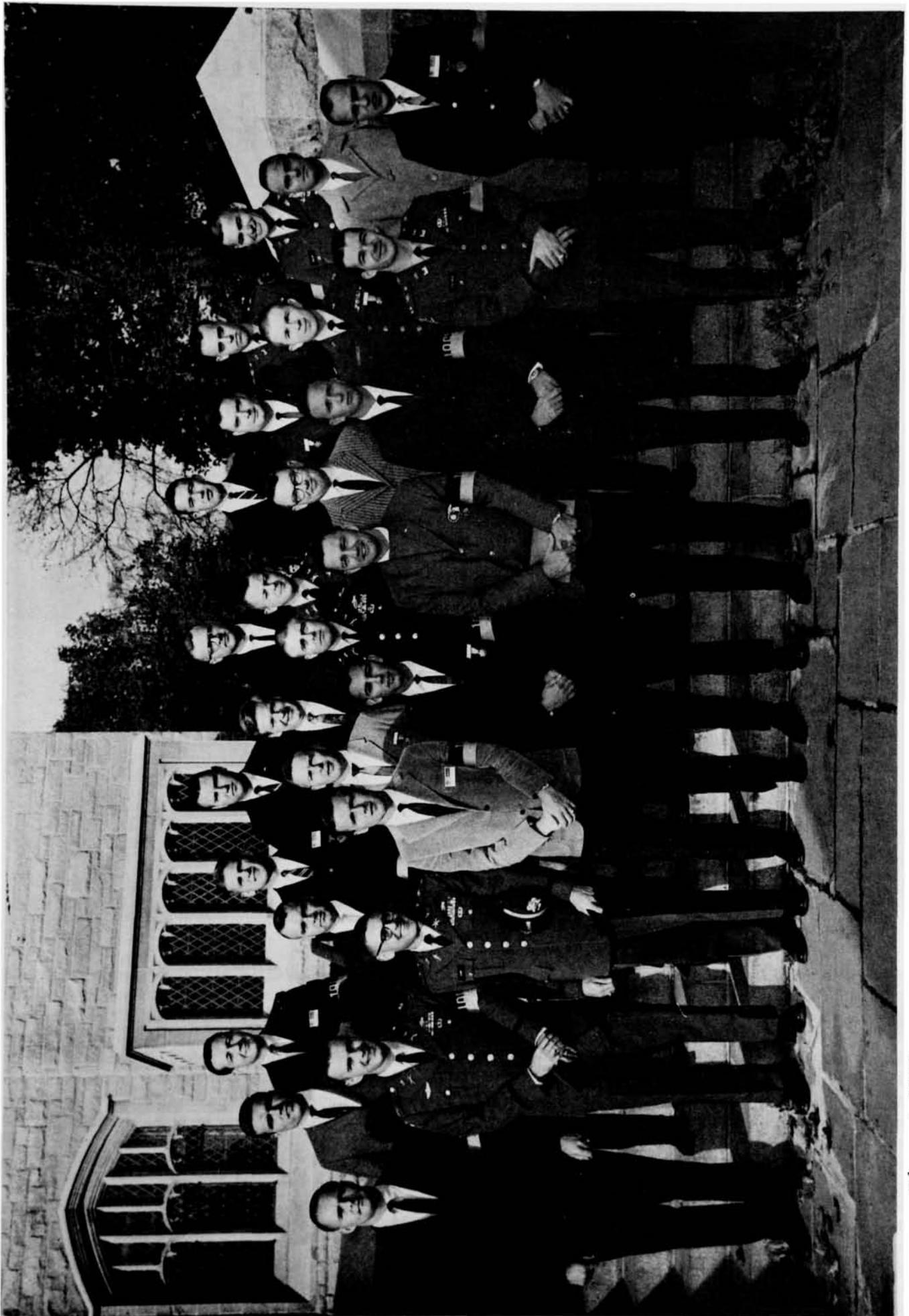
REUNION...



1962

This most recent of the Academy's reunion classes was well represented in spite of the Army's heavy demands on classmates, especially in Vietnam. Those that made it welcomed this rare opportunity to see a football game from some of the best seats in Michie Stadium. And the class picnic at Bonneville Cabin was made memorable by the nimble-fingered Dick Fellows who led the sing-along with a lively repertoire on both the piano and the guitar.





Class of 1962

West Point Garrison Bids Farewell to GENERAL SCOTT



Cadet Honor Guard represents the Corps on 9 September in final gesture of farewell to departing Commandant.

Many prudent changes adopted during his tenure as Commandant of Cadets.

WITH a brigade review and an honor guard ceremony at Trophy Point, the Corps of Cadets, on 9 September 1967, bade farewell to their departing friend and leader, Commandant of Cadets Richard P. Scott '41.

For General Scott, the occasion brought to a close almost two and a half years of distinguished and dedicated service to the Academy—service which encompassed many changes at West Point, but service which above all was characterized by wisdom, by consideration of the long-range needs of the cadets, and by complete devotion to the proven precepts of the Military Academy.

His was an active tenure because West Point, like the Army, has been undergoing a period of expansion and modernization. General Scott's tour included service under two Superintendents, expansion of the Corps from 2,500 to 3,400 cadets, construction of several new facilities to in-

clude an enlarged mess hall and new barracks, expansion of the Department of Tactics to accommodate the increased number of cadets, reorganization of the Corps from two to four regiments and ultimately from 24 to 32 companies, extension of voluntary summer training programs to include attendance at the Jungle Warfare School, addition of elective courses by the Department of Tactics, broadening and modernizing the program of physical education, and finally, updating the program of Military Instruction to include reinstatement of attendance at the basic branch courses subsequent to graduation.

Despite the press of day-to-day Commandant's duties, General Scott was acutely concerned with the welfare and personal needs of the cadets. The Fourth Class system and its application by the upperclassmen reflect the depth of his insight into the problems of Plebe motivation, for the percentage losses of New Cadets during the Beast Barracks



Addressing the new Plebe class at Trophy Point.

Presenting the drill streamer to the outstanding company for the academic year 1966-67.



General and Mrs. Scott greet a cadet and his date at the graduation ball.



periods of 1965, '66, and '67 were the lowest of recent record, and no incidents of individual abuse or hazing occurred. At the same time, "lights-out" policies were reinstated for the Third and Fourth Classes in the interest of the individual cadet's health and academic achievement. Other examples of his awareness of the needs of today's young man and cadet are the plans he initiated to provide unit day-rooms, to improve cadet uniforms, and to examine, with a new and objective look, the cadet's daily schedule and the always increasing demands on his time.

He recognized that cadets eagerly seek additional information about their careers in the Army, and his intense interest in properly motivating them led him to direct and supervise a program of instruction to assist Tactical Officers and upperclassmen in the proper counseling of their subordinates. In addition, he directed the inauguration of a highly successful "Junior Officers Returnee" program and

an equally valuable series of Senior Officers Conferences. The former provides an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, and life of a junior officer through close personal contact with recent graduates. The latter brings to the First Class the experience and insights of the Army's most successful general officers. In all that he did, General Scott stressed to the Corps of Cadets the responsibilities and opportunities for service inherent in a military career. In keeping with his expressed belief that leadership can be learned, he granted increased authority—and responsibility—to the First Class and vitalized the duty concept throughout the Corps of Cadets. Under his supervision and guided by his wise counsel, the Corps zealously guarded its most priceless asset, the Honor System, and the Cadet Honor Committee was reorganized and expanded to better serve the needs of the enlarged brigade.

Because of his genuine interest in the individual cadet

farewell / GENERAL SCOTT



Cadets join the Commandant in welcoming Miss Liberty Bell to West Point.

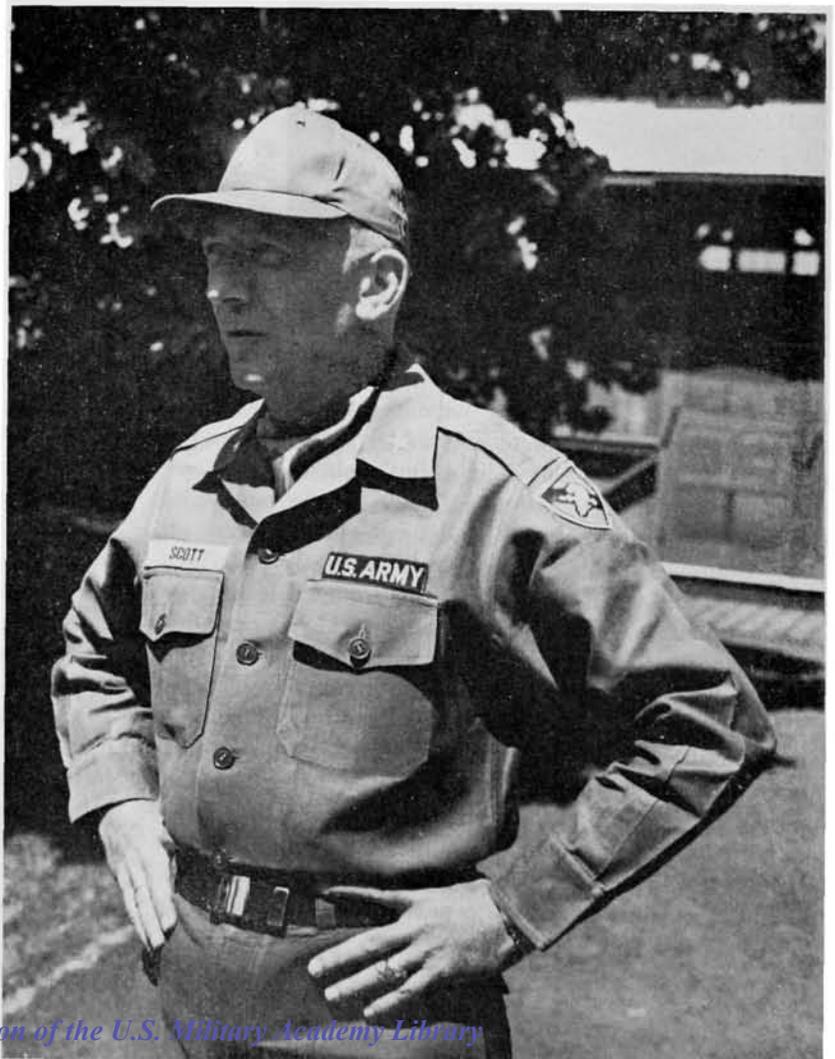
Generals Scott and Bennett and USMA Chaplain James Ford in a light moment following the dedication of the amphitheater at Trophy Point.



and his awareness of cadet problems, General Scott quickly proved to be a Commandant with whom the young men could and did communicate. He and Mrs. Scott were personally involved in many of the cadets' off-duty activities—boating and water skiing on Lake Popolopen, barbecues at the Commandant's quarters, participation in cadet rallies, and strong, positive support for the newly formed Riding Club. Significantly, the Riding Club's first trophy was won by a cadet riding the Scotts' jumper aptly named Cadet Gray.

The Military Academy and the Corps of Cadets have been enriched by General Scott's service as Commandant of Cadets.

His associates wish him and his family continued success as the General assumes his new duties as Assistant Chief of Staff, Logistics and Commander, U.S. Army Element, AFCENT, The Netherlands.



the west pointer and GRADUATE SCHOOLING

by ROBERT W. GIULIANO

About the author: Major Giuliano '58, currently serves as an assistant to the Dean. He has served in Europe and Vietnam and was an instructor in the Math Department from 1963 to 1966. He holds master's degrees in Engineering and Mathematics and received his doctorate in Engineering Mechanics from Princeton in June 1966.

Survey of three Classes reveals over half have graduate degrees.

THE technical and social revolutions which have been taking place since World War II have generated an ever-increasing need for exceptionally well-educated Army officers. This need now extends beyond the level of the bachelor's degree to the master's degree and, in some cases, to the doctorate. For this reason, more and more Academy graduates who remain on active duty are being given the opportunity to extend their educational backgrounds by attendance at civilian graduate schools. The vehicle which allows for this involvement in post-graduate study is the Army's Civil Schooling Program, and the range of study is wide—from business administration to medical microbiology. The scope of this program is not well known among the older graduates or the prospective candidates for the Academy. The results of a recent survey may be of interest, therefore, to the alumni who play such a large part in attracting young men to a career in the Army.

Since its inception, the Civil Schooling Program has been based on the assumption that attendance at graduate school by qualified officers is an eventual, rather than an immediate, step in their professional development. Indeed, while in the past this step could be taken at almost any time in a man's career, more recent trends indicate that the majority of officers can normally expect to be sent to graduate school between their fourth and tenth year of service. The validity of these findings has been borne out in a recent survey of the careers of the members of the USMA Classes of 1947, 1952, and 1957. This survey revealed that, of the members of the Class of 1947 who have remained on active duty or who retired after twenty years of service, 74 per cent attended graduate school. The Class of 1952 can claim an attendance rate of 61 per cent, while for the Class of 1957, the figure is already at 51 per cent. While the schooling rate for those individuals who graduated in the top quintile of their Academy class exceeds 90 per cent, it is equally important to note that a substantial number of those in the bottom quintile have also attended graduate school—the advanced schooling rate for the bottom fifth of the Class of 1947, for example, is 33 per cent.

The survey also revealed that more than 91 per cent of the members of these three classes who attended school

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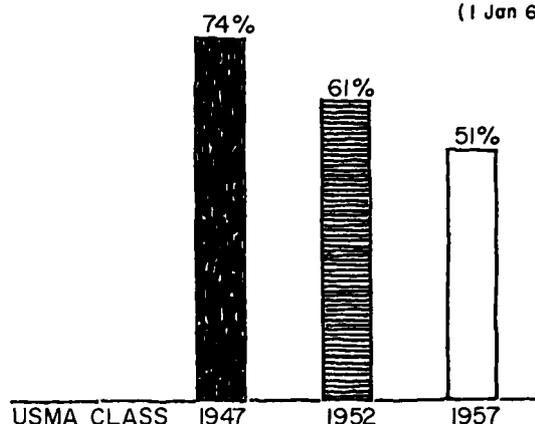
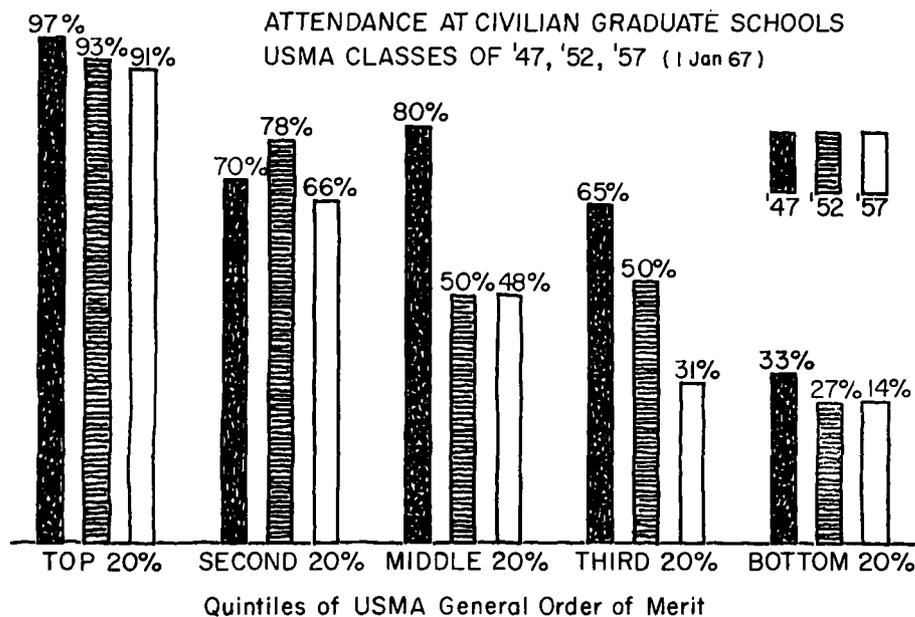


Fig. II
ATTENDANCE AT CIVILIAN GRADUATE SCHOOLS
USMA CLASSES OF '47, '52, '57 (1 Jan 67)



have at least one master's degree. Just under 2 per cent have earned their doctorates, and over 3 per cent have professional degrees in medicine, law, or engineering.

A measure of the dedication of these young officers to their careers in the Service after having received the benefit of this specialized, professional training, is the overwhelming number who continue to serve on active duty. Among those men in the three classes surveyed, who have attended graduate school, less than five per cent elected to leave the Service before retirement.

Fourteenth Professor of Mathematics Since
the Military Academy's Founding

NICHOLAS, *head of mathematics* *department,* RETIRES

by JOHN R. JANNARONE

General Bennett congratulates Nicholas at the conclusion of the parade held on the occasion of his retirement. The stars of the brigadier, the DSM, and the firm handshake from the Academy Superintendent mark the climax of a rich and rewarding career.



HONORED by ceremonies at West Point that included award of the Distinguished Service Medal, Charles P. Nicholas (USMA '25), Professor and Head of the Department of Mathematics, retired on 30 September after more than 42 years of continuous service as a regular officer. On 1 October he was placed on the U.S. Army retired list in the grade of brigadier general. His military career has been versatile, including field artillery command and staff positions, important roles in strategic intelligence at the national level, and 29 years as a military educator, 25 of them on the USMA faculty.

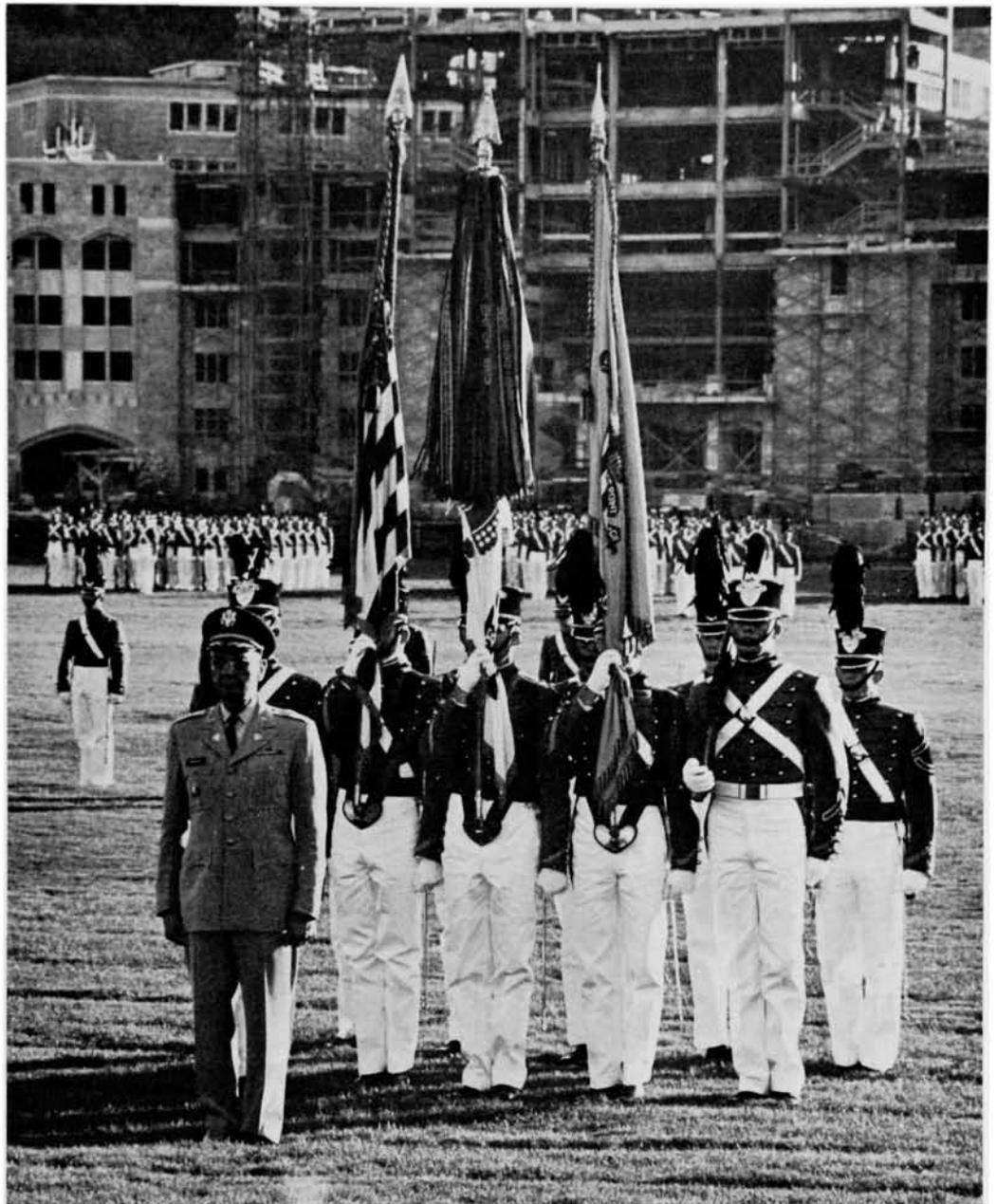
Nicholas's tenure as Head of the Department of Mathematics since 1959 has been dynamic, characterized by rapid and systematic adaptation of the mathematics program to the higher demands of modern science, engineering, and management. He introduced also a comprehensive new program of advanced elective courses, designed to prepare cadets for graduate study in the Army's civil schooling pro-

gram. A written appraisal of these developments by an authoritative close observer (a governor of the Mathematical Association of America) rated the resulting mathematics program during the cadet's first two years as "the finest of any engineering school in the country."

Nicholas's successor as Department Head is John Somers B. Dick (USMA '35), who was second Professor of Mathematics from 1960 until Nicholas's retirement. The new second professor appointed to fill the vacancy on 1 October is Jack M. Pollin (USMA '44), now in the final year of his Ph.D. at the University of Arizona.

Alumni who graduated as recently as 1960 may be astonished at the depth and rapidity of changes in mathematics at the Academy since their cadet days. As the architect of these changes, Nicholas brought to the task a professional knowledge of modern scientific trends in the armed forces, coupled with creative insight into the world-wide revolution in mathematical thinking brought about by electronic

Outlined against the background of the new barracks and the extension to Washington Hall, the color guard lines up behind Nicholas just prior to the award of the Distinguished Service Medal by Maj. Gen. D.V. Bennett, USMA Superintendent. Nicholas wears the stars of a brigadier general which were pinned on on 1 October, concurrently with his retirement from the Corps of Professors, USMA.



computation. A brief review of his earlier service will show the scientific, mathematical, and military backgrounds that led to his appointment as Professor of Mathematics in 1948.

For five years after graduating from USMA in 1925, Nicholas served as a lieutenant in artillery units at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Schofield Barracks, and Fort Sill, with a one-year interruption as instructor in English at the USMA Preparatory School in Hawaii. The fact that this first teaching assignment was in English rather than mathematics is testimony to his versatility as a teacher, and also to his skill as an author. The latter has been demonstrated for many years in lucid staff papers, in his textbook on calculus, and in professional articles for the *Field Artillery Journal*, *ASSEMBLY*, the *American Mathematical Monthly*, and the *Transactions on Education of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers*.

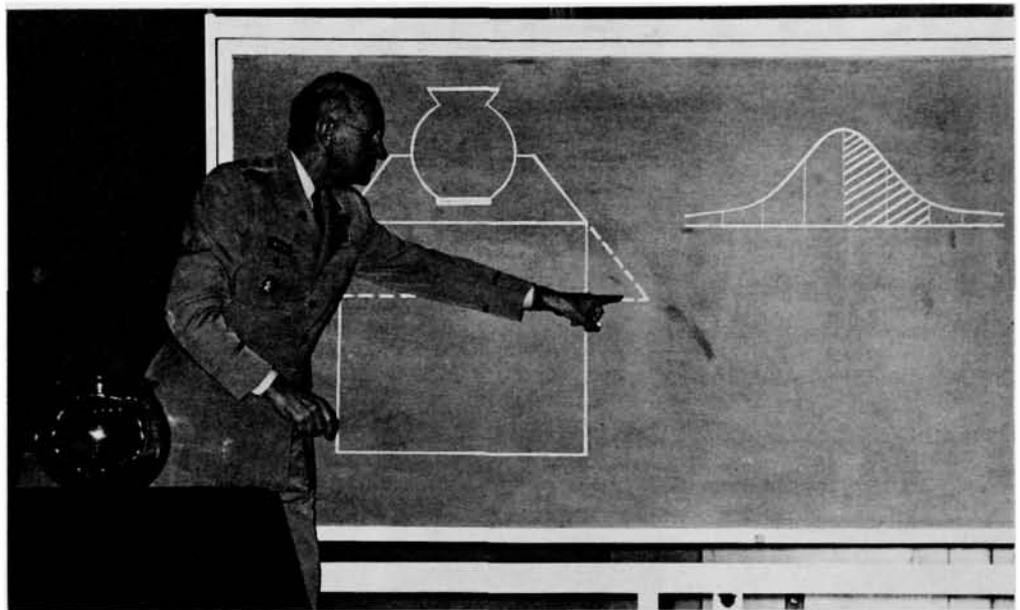
In 1930 Nicholas's career turned toward its ultimate pattern when he was ordered to West Point as an instructor in

mathematics. The same year was also decisive in his personal life, for it was in December that he married Frances Young Allen of his home city of Louisville, Kentucky, after a courtship that had begun while he was a cadet and she a student at Vassar. Their daughter and only child, Frances, better known to close friends as Kitty, was born while her parents were still on their first tour with the Department of Mathematics. Now married and the mother of three children, Kitty lives in San Juan, Puerto Rico, where her husband, Richard Ashford Lee, is president of the firm of Albert E. Lee & Sons, Inc.

TO return to the professional implications, Nicholas was known to his cadets of the early 1930's as a dedicated teacher, sympathetic in appreciation of difficulties and gifted in ability to explain fundamental concepts in easy terms. He emphasized the essential simplicity of mathematical structure in a way that left an enduring impression



Nicholas "surveys" the bowl of coins in the Newburgh store window, May 1935 (left). He explains (below) the mathematical principles involved in winning a car by guessing the number of coins in a bowl.



—one officer who had been one of his cadets in those days recently commented that Nicholas's teaching had made integral calculus "seem like poetry."

During this period Nicholas had two unusual adventures that influenced his later career in subtle but far-reaching ways. The first was the mathematics contest between Harvard and the Military Academy in 1933. This event grew out of a conversation between the Superintendent, Major General W.D. Connor, and Mrs. William Lowell Putnam, sister of President Lowell of Harvard, during the weekend of the ARMY-Harvard football game in 1932. Mrs. Putnam raised the issue: "Why not have academic contests as well as contests in athletics?" With a confidence that General Connor was never known to suppress, he soon thereafter sent President Lowell a challenge to an undergraduate contest in mathematics, stating bluntly that he considered USMA teaching methods better than Harvard's. The challenge was accepted, and it was agreed that the contest would consist of written examinations on two successive days, after which the papers would be

scored by the president of the Mathematical Association of America.

Both institutions placed teams of second-year students in vigorous training. The ARMY squad was given a special table in the mess hall, where they were promptly termed "mathletes" by the Corps of Cadets. Harris Jones (USMA April 17), then Head of the Department of Mathematics, appointed Nicholas one of three coaches, assigning him the responsibility for analytic geometry—an assignment referred to in a humorous sports article of the day as "line" coaching. This gem was written by John Kieran of the *New York Times*, famous for his wit and for the sophisticated, literary style of his sports column. Kieran's article on the mathematics contest, still preserved in the files at West Point, includes an unforgettable poem describing how the sentry on a turret top at the Military Academy "hears the Cambridge Legion come with logarithmic tread," and challenges: "Advance and give the cosine!"

To make a celebrated story short, the Military Academy won decisively and received from Douglas MacArthur, then

Nick and Frances arrive with daughter Kitty at the Cadet Chapel for latter's wedding on 27 August 1955.



Chief of Staff of the Army, the following tribute in response to the Superintendent's report:

I have read with pride and satisfaction your letter of June 1st. Will you please express to the members of the team my personal congratulations on their splendid victory. It is a tribute not only to them personally but equally to the system in vogue at West Point and the instructors and professors who have evolved and carried out the details thereof. I have, therefore, thought that not only the team should be congratulated, but the entire institution from the Superintendent down.

Faithfully,
DOUGLAS MACARTHUR

This message was cheered with the exuberance of a football victory when it was read to the Corps of Cadets in the mess hall.

The next unusual adventure occurred in May of 1935, when Nicholas and a colleague (Hertford, USMA '23) decided that mathematics was the key to a contest being conducted by a department store in Newburgh. The store offered a Ford automobile as the prize for the best guess as to the number of pennies in a glass bowl on display in the front show window. Since each fifty cents spent at the store during May entitled the customer to one guess, the terms of the contest were well known at West Point and in nearby communities.

AFTER preliminary staff work in terms of calculus and probability theory, Nicholas and Hertford invaded Newburgh one afternoon in civilian clothes, equipped with artillery surveying instruments. Establishing an observation post on the sidewalk in front of the show window, they surveyed the bowl with fire-control precision, undeterred by the suspicious hovering of a policeman and by heckling from pedestrians. Later on at West Point they transformed the surveying data into internal volume of the bowl, using calculus and certain intelligence processes, and then by statistical experiment with 10,000 copper coins they determined the probability distribution of pennies poured at random into a bounded three-dimensional space. At the end of May, to the delight of their supporters, and the confounding of all who distrust mathematics, they won the Ford.

The technical details of their solution illustrate in a
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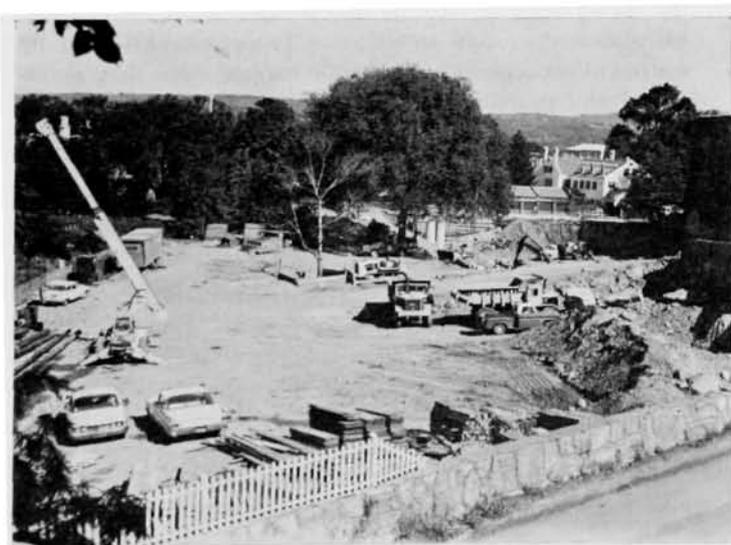
Nicholas (right) accompanied President Eisenhower through the math department during the President's 1960 visit to the Academy. Gen. Garrison Davidson, USMA Superintendent, is in the background.



New Gymnasium Wing to house Olympic-Size Pool

by RICHARD W. WYLIE

About the author: Captain Wylie '62, joined the staff of the Academy's Expansion Planning and Control office in 1967 after completing the career course at the Engineer School, Fort Belvoir. Previously he had served with Engineer units in Korea and Vietnam.



Looking east on the site of the new gymnasium wing that will become a part of the existing gym (far right). The Commandant's quarters are just beyond the excavation, upper right.

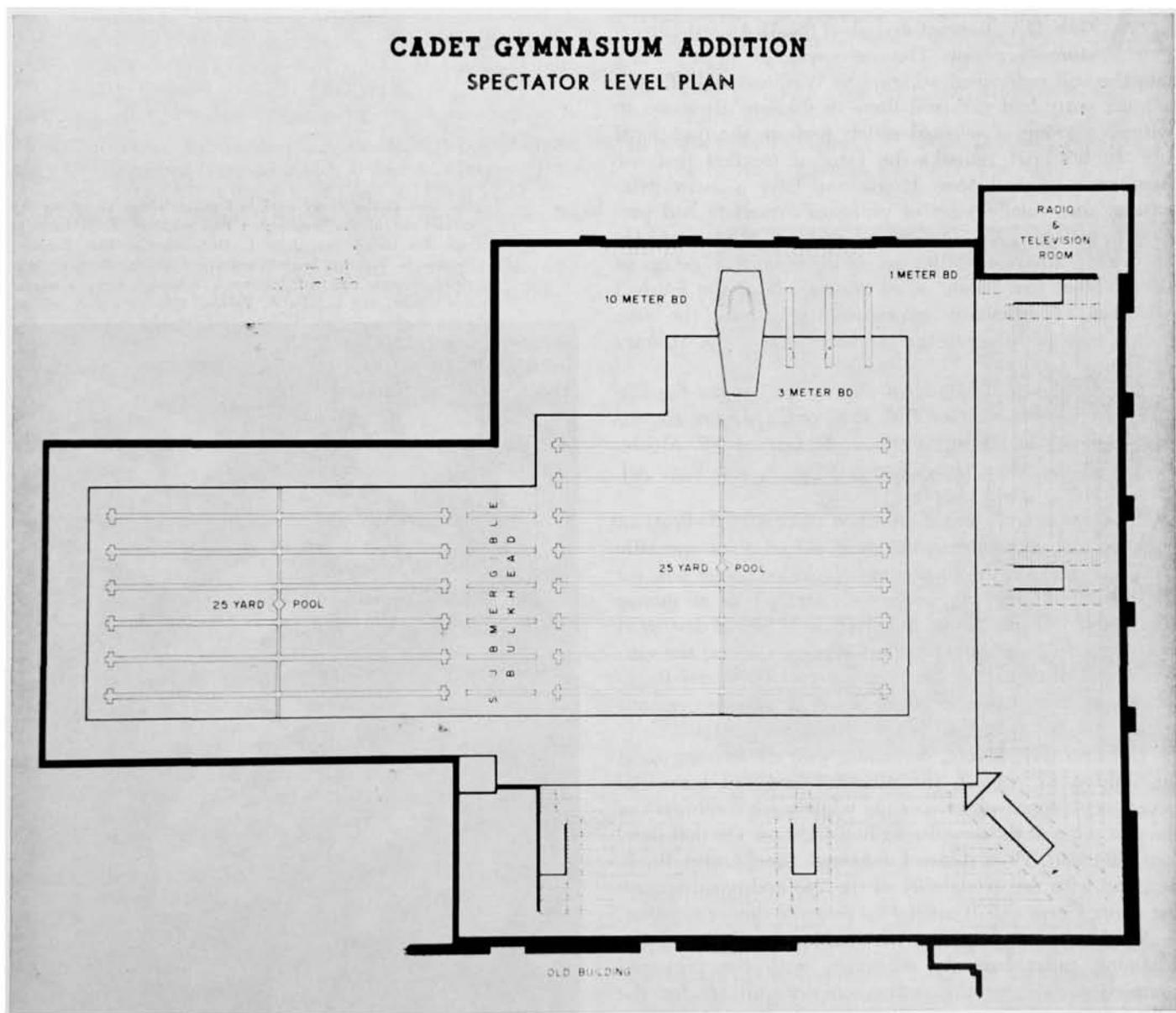
ANOTHER of the more visible modifications to the West Point scene began immediately after June Week in the large parking area next to the gymnasium. On that site will rise a two-story structure—an extension of the existing gymnasium—that will house a 50-meter swimming pool and related facilities to include a balcony capable of seating 1,500 spectators. The new pool will replace the one familiar to cadets since 1910 and not only will overcome all the shortcomings of aging equipment, but will also provide for the much larger Corps.

Described as Olympic-size, the new pool is designed to provide six 50-meter lanes divided by a submergible bulkhead. This novel feature has the effect of making available two separate pools, each 25 yards long for intercollegiate competition and for intramural and instructional purposes. The new design also allows for concurrent diving competition with swimming events, for the diving tower and diving boards are located well away from the racing lanes.

Provision has also been made for a press, radio, and television section for coverage of swimming meets, and glass ports below floor level will make it possible to film underwater events.

Less visible, but included in the same project is the major alteration in the interior section of the gym that has long served as West Point's War Department theater. When completed, the balcony will have been completely removed making room for an intercollegiate basketball court for junior varsity and plebe competition. Installation of movable partitions and fixed backboards will give added flexibility, allowing for the conversion of the one big court into three separate courts for practice or intramural games.

Construction of the gymnasium addition is still in the excavation stage with completion currently scheduled for the late fall of 1968. Modification of the old theater should be completed next spring.



Cadets Participate in Cornerstone Ceremony

ANOTHER milestone in the history of the U.S. Military Academy," was the way the Superintendent, Maj. Gen. D.V. Bennett described the 31 August cornerstone ceremony. The scene was the steps leading into the still unfinished addition to Washington Hall, and a small party had gathered there in the late afternoon to witness a group of selected cadets perform the traditional rite. In his brief remarks the General recalled that the Academy's original Mess House and later a cadet gymnasium, and finally a set of professor's quarters had previously occupied the site of the present cadet mess. He also called attention to the panels honoring the "genius of Washington" that would adorn the façade of the finished building, a particularly appropriate tribute to the man "who consistently urged the establishment of the Military Academy."

Joining the Superintendent and the cadets for the historic ceremony were: Col. C.R. Broshous, Director, Expansion Planning and Control Office; Monsignor J.P. Moore, Rector of the Most Holy Trinity Chapel; and Rev. A.J. Wilson III, assistant chaplain, USMA.

In keeping with long-established custom in dedications such as this, a memento box was placed in a specially designed recess in the cornerstone. Included in the box, for the benefit of posterity, were nails and pieces of mortar from the old Academy Building, built in 1815 and destroyed by fire in 1838; a roster of the Corps of Cadets; the current Rules of the Academic Board; a copy of Cadet Regulations; current issues of three local newspapers; menus from the cadet mess; and cadet buttons and insignia.

Just four days before, beginning with the evening meal on Sunday, 27 August, the Academy received beneficial occupancy (permission to occupy while work continues) of the east wing of the new dining hall addition. On that date, the First and Third Classes returned from Camp Buckner, and with the availability of the 740 additional spaces, the entire Corps (3,370 cadets) sat down to dinner together.

Work on the remainder of Washington Hall and the adjoining cadet barracks continues, with the projected completion date for the entire complex still set for the fall of 1968.

Members of the cadet staff had the privilege of laying the cornerstone of the Washington Hall addition. From front to rear the cadets are: John L. Throckmorton, First Captain; Thomas N. Burnette, brigade operations officer; Gary W. Halstead, brigade adjutant; William L. Robinson, brigade executive officer; and Charles A. Vehlow, brigade supply officer.



Bulletin Board

Plebe Classes at Service Academies Include Sons of USMA Graduates, Ex-Cadets

There was a decrease of graduate-sons represented in the Classes of 1971 at the Service Academies, but the rosters still include many familiar names. (Fathers' names are in parentheses.)

USMA:

- 1924—Charles D. Moore (Moore D.M.)
 1935—Charles J. Armogida (Armogida S.A.), Daniel J. Ferris (Ferris E.H.)
 1936—John T. Beard (Beard W.N.), John H. Chiles (Chiles J.H.), Richard A. Kelly (Kelly J.E.)
 1937—Joseph L. Chabot (Chabot J.L.)
 1938—Robert L. Ashworth Jr. (Ashworth R.L.), Richard Y. Hartline (Hartline F.H.), Robert C. Harvey (Harvey C.C. Jr.), William M. Lynn III (Lynn W.M. Jr.), Joseph C. Rhyne (Rhyne G.W.), Eric M. Sundin (Sundin A.B.)
 1939—Kenneth J. Kobes (Kobes F.J. Jr.), Thomas J. Kunzig (Kunzig L.A. Jr.), Stanley W. Larsen (Larsen S.R.), Bruce D. Norris (Norris J.K.)
 1940—Richard E. Fate (Fate R.J.), Charles E. Harrison III (Harrison C.E. Jr.), Jock B. Hazeltine (Hazeltine C.B. Jr.), Christopher C. Shoemaker (Shoemaker R.L. Jr.)
 1941—John S. Brown (Brown H.M. Jr.)
 1942—Edward M.A. Fergusson (Fergusson C.M. Jr.), John B. Rose III (Rose J.B. Jr.)
 Jan 1943—Robert R. Wade (Wade A.P.), Thomas R. Watson Jr. (Watson T.R.)
 Jun 1943—Kenneth J. Frisbie (Frisbie N.H.), Harry L. Reeder III (Reeder H.L. Jr.)
 1944—David D. Brown (Brown G.B. Jr.), Joseph R. Capka (Capka J.G.), Stephen L. Cooch (Cooch F.A. III), Philip S. Grant Jr. (Grant P.S.), William F. Spalding Jr. (Spalding W.F.)
 1945—Archibald V. Arnold III (Arnold A.V. Jr.), Stephen M. Denz (Denz E.J.), Paul Drake (Drake H.), Donald E. Fowler II (Fowler D.E.), Robert K. Holcombe (Holcombe W.H. Jr.), William D. Raymond Jr. (Raymond W.D.), William H. Wier (Wier W.B. Jr.)
 1946—Calvert P. Benedict Jr. (Benedict C.P.), Henry H. Bolz III (Bolz H.H. Jr.), Bert A. David Jr. (David B.A.), Richard G. deMoya (deMoya H.G.), David S. Hutchison (Hutchison D.N.), Timothy P. Terrell (Terrell H.A. Jr.), Walton H. Walker II (Walker S.S.)
 1948—Richard A. Whitfield (Whitfield R.A.)
 1954—Raymond E. Halvatgis (Halvatgis J.N.)

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

the winter issue by — 10 January

the spring issue by — 25 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.

USNA:

- 1936—Harry E. Mikkelsen (Mikkelsen H.E.)
 1940—John R. Knight (Knight J.R.)
 1941—Michael J.L. Greene Jr. (Greene M.J.L.)
 1942—William T. Stevens (Stevens G.)
 Jun 1943—William N. Sparhawk III (Sparhawk W.N. Jr.)
 1945—Philip L. Raymond (Raymond W.D.)
 1946—Ross S. Dessert (Dessert R.A.), Henry P. Victor (Victor A.H. Jr.)

USAFA:

- 1935—Richard H. Agnew Jr. (Agnew R.H.), William W. Bridges (Bridges R.S.)
 1938—Richard H. Kelley (Kelley H.K.)
 1939—Stephen T. Dziuban (Dziuban S.W.), Schuyler Foerster (Foerster F.H. Jr.), Patrick T. Hickey (Hickey S.W.)
 1942—Honi J. Garvin (Garvin C.H.), Chester R. Ladd Jr. (Ladd C.R.)
 Jan 1943—John J. Gorman Jr. (Gorman J.J.), Robert N. Peterman (Peterman S.C.)



Trophies held by the ARMY Athletic Association symbolize the Gillespie awards given annually to the outstanding ARMY football player and to the ARMY track team captain.

Academy Mourns the Death of Sports Benefactor

With the passing of James Brown Gillespie '13, the Academy lost one of its most generous graduate-benefactors. A keen and active competitor during his cadet days, Gillespie won his letter in football and was a member of the fencing, hockey, and lacrosse teams in addition to compet-

ing in the annual outdoor track meets. The 1913 HOWITZER says of him, "... he has held down more varieties of athletic jobs than anybody in the Class."

As an indication of his lifelong interest in sports at the Academy, Col. Gillespie sponsored two awards given annually by the ARMY Athletic Association: one to the captain of the track team and the other to the outstanding player on the football team. Another large gift will cover the costs of enlarging the home team dressing room under the stands in Michie Stadium.

ARMY sports fans have good reason to be grateful to this man who not only loved West Point, but also made tangible gestures to insure the continued high quality of the Academy's athletic program.

June Week 1968

Once again the Military Academy and the Association of Graduates are preparing to welcome back to West Point for June Week 1968 the 5-year Reunion Classes starting with the Class of 1898 and ending with the Class of June 1943. The Class of 1948, invited to celebrate its reunion during June Week, elected to forego June Week and observe its 20th Reunion during the Homecoming period. Thus, '48 will be the senior Class (along with '53, '58, and '63) at the Homecoming Reunion ceremonies in 1968.

The 1968 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. The Class of 1968 will graduate on 5 June.

June Week Alumni Activities

Thursday	1400	Alumni Headquarters opens—Cullum Hall.
30 May	1700	Class dinners (or picnics).
Friday	0900	Memorial Service (Holy Communion)—
31 May		Cadet Chapel.
	0900	Catholic Alumni Mass—Catholic Chapel.
	0930	Board of Trustees Meeting—WPAM.
	1100	Alumni Exercises—Thayer Monument.
	1130	Alumni Review—the Plain.
	1230	Alumni Luncheon (AOG Annual Meeting)—
		Washington Hall.
	1230	Alumni Ladies Luncheon—WPAM.
	1330	ARMY-Navy tennis matches—Library courts.
	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.
Saturday	0800	Alumni Headquarters opens—Cullum Hall.
1 June	0830	Television presentation: expansion plan, ad-
		missions program, tactical program, USMA
		curriculum—Thayer Hall.
	0900-1200	Colonel Thayer's Office open—Quarters 100.
	1100	Unit Awards Review—the Plain.
	1330	ARMY-Navy lacrosse game—Michie Stadium.
	1700	Class dinners (or picnics).
Sunday	0800	Protestant Service (Second- and Third-Class)
2 June		—South Auditorium.
	0800	Catholic Mass (Second- and Third-Class)—
		Catholic Chapel.
	0845	Baccalaureate Service, 1st & 3d Regiments—
		Cadet Chapel.
	0930	Jewish-Baccalaureate Service, all Classes—
		Old Cadet Chapel.
	1030	Baccalaureate Catholic Mass (First Class)—
		Catholic Chapel.
	1100	Baccalaureate Service, 2d and 4th Regiments
		—Cadet Chapel.
	1200	Alumni Headquarters closes. (Barracks re-
		main available to alumni. Alumni Informa-
		tion Desk at Parents Information Center,
		Grant Hall.)

This program was designed especially to take advantage of the fact that Thursday, 30 May, is a holiday. As the Alumni detail will be able to get into the barracks earlier, Alumni Day could be moved back to Friday, 31 May, thereby allowing for better programming of facilities. Also, graduates faced with missing one work day to attend June Week, will still miss only one day (Friday), and the 4-day program eases the pressures of the tight schedule of previous years.

As always, first priority for support and use of available facilities during June Week will be given to the 50-year reunion classes. Priorities for the other 5-year reunion classes will be governed by seniority.

The Academy's expansion program will continue to have an effect on Alumni activities during June Week. The barracks and picnic facilities at Camp Buckner will not be available to Alumni as the Plebes will have moved there immediately after the close of academics on 29 May.

Billeting, especially for those graduates who return with their wives and children, becomes increasingly critical with each passing year. The limited space at the Thayer Hotel is usually pre-empted by 50-year reunion classes and the most senior 5-year reunion classes, and then only for the first part of June Week. Other reunion classes made large, block reservations at the larger motels in the area in 1967, and from all reports were well satisfied with the service they received.

Reservations for billets in barracks and at Ladycliff, for the Alumni Dinner, the Alumni Luncheon, and the Ladies' Luncheon must be made by the individual graduate directly with the Secretary of the Association of Graduates. Classes should not consolidate their requirements for any of these functions. Reservation forms for these functions will be mailed out in the spring.

Arrangements for hotel and motel reservations, including the Thayer Hotel, is the individual's (or Class) responsibility.

We trust that your reunion in June will be pleasant and memorable. As for those of us here at the Academy who are making the preparations for your return, you may rest assured that it is our purpose to help you in every way we can.

Philadelphia Society Sponsors New Cadet "Day"

Late in June, on the eve of their departure for the Military Academy, twenty-four New Cadets were guests of the officers and men of the 1st A.I.T. Brigade at Fort Dix. The day-long program that included luncheon and a firepower demonstration was sponsored and arranged by the West Point Society of Philadelphia which brought the young men together from adjoining areas of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. Accompanying the New Cadets were their fathers and friends and members of the Philadelphia Society, a party of 150.

At the luncheon, which was hosted by Generals John M. Hightower and George C. Fogle, commanding general and deputy commanding general of Fort Dix, respectively, the visitors heard brief talks by Col. Robert E. Quackenbush '31, president of the Philadelphia Society and by Lt. Col. George A. Garman Jr., '45 of the USMA Admissions Office. Also, in keeping with a custom established at the first New Cadet luncheon, one of the New Cadets and a Yearling were invited to give their views on the "unknown" and the "known."

Another highlight of these annual luncheons is the invitation to each New Cadet to stand with his father while the son's P.C.S. is read publicly to the group.

Dick Named To Head Department of Mathematics

Colonel John Somers B. Dick '35, Professor, USMA, and deputy to Colonel Charles P. Nicholas since May 1960, was named as his successor as Head of Department when the latter retired on 30 September 1967. Before 1960 Colonel Dick had served in the Department of Mathematics as an instructor from 1940 to 1943, as an assistant professor from 1946 to 1948, and as an associate professor for the two years, 1958-60, just prior to being appointed as a permanent professor in 1960.



Col. John Somers B. Dick

Until his appointment as a permanent professor, Dick was an engineer officer with extensive troop and staff experience. His WWII combat assignment was with the 24th Infantry Division. He joined the division in Hollandia, New Guinea, in the fall of 1944 as an observer-representative of the G3 Section, Army Ground Forces. Landing in the Philippines on D-Day with a battalion of the 21st Infantry commanded by a classmate, Eric Ramee, he was offered command of the divisional engineers, the 3d Engineer Combat Battalion shortly thereafter. He led this unit through campaigns on Leyte, Mindoro, and Mindanao under Generals Irving and Woodruff, and was decorated with the Legion of Merit for this combat duty.

After the war he returned to West Point in February 1946 for his second tour as the Department of Mathematics



Mrs. Samuel Digges Freeman III, widow of Freeman '61, and her three children present a check in memory of their late husband and father to Mr. Egon Weiss, USMA Librarian. The donation was for the purchase of books in the fields of special warfare, counterinsurgency, and military history. Bookplates in the books to be acquired will read: "In memory of Samuel Digges Freeman III, USMA 1961, from his fellow soldiers, family, and friends." Captain Freeman was killed in action in Vietnam in January 1967.

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began its readjustment to normal operations following the return of the majority of reservist instructors to civilian life. In September 1948 he reported to General Headquarters, Far East Command in Tokyo for three years. There, as Chief of the Construction Branch, Engineer Section, his primary concern was the planning for, and supervision of, the large Okinawa reconstruction program following the devastating typhoon "Gloria." Other large construction programs were also initiated during this period in Japan and Korea in support of the Korean War. At the conclusion of this assignment he was awarded his second Legion of Merit. Tours of duty at the Armed Forces Staff College, as CO of the 332d Engineer Combat Group at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, at the NATO Defense College in Paris, and three years at AFSOUTH headquarters in Naples, preceded a year of study at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where he earned his second Master's degree—in Mathematics. He had earned a Master's in Civil Engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology soon after graduation from USMA.

Colonel Dick is married to the former Lucy Helen Gross, daughter of General and Mrs. Charles P. Gross '14, now retired and residing in Cornwall, N.Y. They have three children: Nancy, married to Captain B.A. Ferry, CE, '64, Priscilla, married to Lieutenant D.L. Bodde, CE, '65, and John, 11.

ADMISSIONS

Area Responsibilities

For the benefit of graduates and prospective candidates, the USMA Director of Admissions lists the following officers and one civilian, and the geographic areas that each is responsible for:

- Captain Edward M. Crowley—N.Y., Vt., N.H., Maine, Mass., R.I., Conn.
- Captain James S. Mathison—Ala., Fla., Ga., S.C., N.C., Miss., Ky., Va., Tenn.
- Major Charles E. Johnson—Ariz., Calif., Idaho., Mont., Nev., Oreg., Utah., Wash.
- Captain Francis J. Fishburne Jr.—N.J., Del., Ind., Md., Ohio, Pa., W.Va., D.C.

Family and friends gathered at Walter Reed Hospital on 4 September to honor General John L. Hines USMA '91, the Academy's oldest living graduate. Helping the General open the gifts they brought him are Cadet Throckmorton and Cadet Burnette. Others in the photo (l. to r.): Mrs. John L. Hines Jr., Col. John L. Hines Jr., USA Ret, USMA '27, Mrs. Hines Cleland, John L. Claggett, and Col. Horace M. Brown Jr., Alumni Secretary. General Hines is 99.



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Captain Francis C. Egan—Ark., Colo., Kans., La., N.Mex., Okla., Tex., Mo.

Captain Robert J. Nicholson—Ill., Iowa, Mich., Minn., Nebr., N.Dak., S.Dak., Wis., Wyo.

Mr. Herbert C. Mudie—Alaska, Hawaii, overseas.

Contact these men by writing to: The Admissions Office, West Point, N.Y. 10996, or by telephone (direct dialing): 914-938-3715.

Annual Allocation of Cadetships

Allocations to the following specific categories become effective with the class entering the Academy in July 1968:

Presidential	100
Members of the Regular Army (enlisted)	75
Members of the Army Reserve Components ..	75
Sons of Veterans	20

The Presidential category is reserved by law for the sons of career military personnel: enlisted, warrant, and commissioned of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, whether active, retired, or deceased. The term "career" includes members of the reserve components currently serving eight years or more of continuous active duty (other than active duty for training), and retirees receiving either retired or retainer pay. NOTE: Sons of reservists retired while not on active duty are ineligible.

Cadetships are provided for the sons of deceased Armed Forces personnel who were either killed in action or died of wounds or injuries received or disease aggravated by active service, or a service-connected disability graded at not less than 100 per cent resulting from wounds or injuries received or diseases contracted in active service or pre-existing injury or disease aggravated by active service. The Veterans Administration determines eligibility, and its decisions are final and binding on the Department of the Army.

The Cadet First Captain

The Academy's "whole man" concept is personified in Cadet John L. Throckmorton who will command the brigade as First Captain for the school year 1967-68. In addition to wearing the stars of a distinguished cadet (he stands 27th in a class of 711), Throckmorton was elected by his teammates to captain the 1967 150-lb. football squad. He

played offensive tackle and won his varsity letter as a regular on the 1966 team that won the Eastern Intercollegiate Championship.

The son of a graduate (Class of 1935) and brother of another (Class of 1960), Throckmorton attended Fayetteville (N.C.) High School, Wakefield High School in Arlington, Va., and graduated from Mount Vernon High School, Fairfax, Va. He is president of the Math Forum, vice chairman of the Honor Committee, and has served as an acolyte and lector in the Catholic Chapel squad.

Rogers B.W. Named Commandant of Cadets

In the twenty-four years intervening since he commanded the Corps as First Captain and his recent assignment as Commandant of Cadets, Brig. Gen. Bernard W. Rogers Jun'43, has been a platoon leader and an assistant division commander, has had combat assignments in Korea and Vietnam, has been an instructor and a student (Rhodes Scholar), has been on the personal staff of the High Commissioner of Austria, the commanding generals of Sixth Army, CONARC, FECOM (Tokyo), the Army Chief of Staff, and the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and his decorations range from the Combat Infantryman's Badge to the Distinguished Service Medal. He arrived at West Point on 15 September after having served as assistant division commander of the Army's famed 1st Division in Vietnam.

A native of Fairview, Kans., General Rogers is married to the former Ann Ellen Jones of Hiawatha, Kans., and they have a son and two daughters.



The Academy welcomed Gen. Rogers (right), newly arrived Commandant of Cadets, with an honor guard ceremony at Trophy Point on 15 September. Gen. Bennett, USMA Superintendent, accompanies the new Com as they leave for headquarters following the ceremony.

Class Foundation Terminated

Maj. Donald R. Reinhard '59, on the eve of his departure from the Ordnance Department, USMA, has requested the Secretary to inform all interested parties that the records of the Education Foundation have been deposited in the USMA Archives.

The Education Foundation, according to Maj. Reinhard, was initiated by the Class of 1954 for the purpose of establishing a fund, based on life insurance, to assist children of deceased members of the Foundation desiring to go to college. The Foundation was formally terminated in 1965 and all outstanding policies have been returned to the members.



It was a happy occasion when Lt. Gen. John L. Throckmorton, CG Third Army (center) visited his sons at West Point in September. Son John (left) is Cadet First Captain; son Thomas (right) is an instructor in the Department of Military Psychology and Leadership.

USMA Professor Decorated for Work with Defense Department

Col. Amos A. Jordan '46, Deputy Head of the Department of Social Sciences, USMA, received the Legion of Merit (first oak leaf cluster) for meritorious service as Director of the Near East and South Asia Region in the Office of the Secretary of Defense during the period Aug. 1966-Aug. 1967. Mr. Townsend Hoopes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense ISA, is shown here presenting the award.

In the citation accompanying the award Jordan was commended for his major contributions to the development of U.S. Security policy during that critical period, specifically: "... the development during November and December 1966 of a balanced and effective program of emergency military assistance to the kingdom of Jordan; the development of a new military supply policy for India and Pakistan, announced in April 1967; and initiatives and proposals for a settlement of the Near Eastern hostilities of June 1967 between the Arab states and Israel." His analytical and leadership qualities, said the citation, "won him the respect and esteem of associates and senior officials in the Departments of Defense and State and in the White House."

This service that Jordan was able to provide in the office of the Secretary of Defense is indicative of the Academy's continuing interest in having its professors acquire new experience and perspectives in order to ensure the vitality of the academic program.



Jordan receives Legion of Merit.

Jackson's Valley Campaign Featured in Museum's New Terrain Model

Civil War buffs and especially those who admire the generalship of Stonewall Jackson will be pleased to learn about the latest acquisition by the USMA Museum. Through the combined efforts of the Stonewall Jackson Memorial, Inc., and the state of Virginia, an 11-foot-square relief model features Jackson's Shenandoah Valley Campaign in 1862.

Mounted vertically in a special gallery in the museum, this gift to the Academy is completely equipped, with

lights, music, and narration, to tell in detail how the brilliant Jackson occupied a Union force of some 70,000 troops with only 17,000 of his own. The full story of the campaign is compressed into a 20-minute presentation.

Formal presentation of the model was made on 23 September at a morning ceremony prior to the ARMY-Virginia football game. Maj. Gen. George R. E. Shell, Superintendent of Virginia Military Institute made the presentation to Maj. Gen. Donald V. Bennett, USMA Superintendent, who accepted the gift in the name of the Academy. Among the many guests in attendance were: Jay W. Johns, president of the Stonewall Jackson Memorial, Lexington, Va.; Maj. Gen. Paul M. Booth, Adjutant General of the Commonwealth of Virginia; Jim Comstock of Richwood, W.Va., representing the governor of West Virginia; Col. Walter J. Renfroe Jr., chairman of the USMA Museum Board; and Richard E. Kuehne, Director of the Museum.



Director of the USMA Museum, Richard E. Kuehne and the relief map of the Shenandoah Valley that was presented to the Academy by the Stonewall Jackson Memorial, Inc., and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

West Point Society of North Texas Hosts Grads at ARMY-SMU Game

Under the capable leadership of its president, Freddie Attaya '54, the West Point Society of North Texas saw that the visiting graduates and wives had a home away from home for the ARMY-SMU game the evening of 13 October in the Cotton Bowl.

The Society not only arranged a pre-game cocktail party and a post-game breakfast at the Hilton Inn in Dallas, but also chartered buses for travel to and from the game. Invitations were sent to some 1,200 graduates in the Texas-Oklahoma area. The enthusiastic response of almost 700 produced a partisan rooting section for the traveling cadets. The team, the Society, and the loyal ARMY fans performed magnificently.

Attaya, assisted by Society stalwarts Johnnie Murrell '30, Tom McNeil '45, and Gerry Clements '61, generated such a successful program that the Alumni Secretary is checking on their availability to serve on the Homecoming and June Week committees at West Point.

The ARMY Rabble Rousers had to be content with riding "mustangs" instead of mules. The borrowed Texas "mule" proved to be a poor substitute for the cadet-trained model and gave the cadets considerably more trouble than Mustang Levias and his supporting herd. Final score: ARMY 24-SMU 6.

The West Point Superintendent's Fund

Additions to the major donor plaque in the sallyport of the Administration Building signify that gifts of \$1,000 or more have been made to the Superintendent's Fund by the following:

GEORGE W. COCHEU '03
JOHN V. GROMBACH '23
BERNARD W. ABRAMS '47
RODNEY H. SMITH '53
DAIN W. MILLIMAN JR. '51
Class of 1928
Class of 1949
Parents of Class of 1964

In Memoriam
JOHN S. GAGE

Donor Sought for Cadet Award

Graduates and friends of the Academy contemplating making contributions to the Superintendent's Fund, are asked to consider sponsoring the trophy given each year to the outstanding company commander in the 4th Regiment. Maj. Christensen '57, coordinator of the Academy's gift program, explains that a donation of \$2,500 will produce the income necessary to support this trophy in perpetuity. A \$1,000 donation will support the trophy for 10 years.

For further information regarding this award or any matter relating to the West Point Superintendent's Fund, please write: Maj. E.M. Christensen, USMA Gifts Program, West Point, N.Y. 10996.

NEW BOOKS

The Story of The Mexican War

By Colonel Russell P. "Red" Reeder '26. Published by Meredith Press, New York. \$4.95.

Reviewed by HARRY P. STORKE '26.

Red Reeder's newest book, *The Story of The Mexican War*, has scored heavily in this corner, by making it perfectly clear to me that I didn't know as much about the Mexican War as I had always thought I knew.

This book will be a worthy addition to that growing Reeder shelf in your library. It will again fascinate his teen-age reading public. Oldsters could also benefit, and refresh their memories, by a quick reading.

Certainly *Mexican War* is Red at his rare best. Economy of words, in painting vivid sketches, is his forte. His quotes, his sharp, indicative dialogues or monologues, quickly form lasting pictures in the reader's mind. Often the pace is fleeting, for, just as you're hoping that a certain intriguing observation will be much further developed, you encounter a new situation. But, of course, the story must rush along in order to cover the War in proper perspectives in 172 brief pages.

Several of Reeder's categorical statements challenge controversy, which competitor Red without doubt intended. Was this war the first U.S. attempt at national aggression? Was the war "a disgrace," as U. S. Grant contended? How important was the influence of the abolitionists? Did Zachary Taylor unduly malign Bill Worth? Was Scott greater than Grant or Lee, as Colonel John Elting, military historian, contends?

The book offers many revealing, tersely stated glimpses of human nature at its best and/or at its worst. Conflict of any sort always mirrors personal strengths and foibles, often unexpected, and certainly the Mexican War was re-

plete with them—the devoted bravery of a Davy Crockett, of a Stonewall (to be) Jackson, of the Chapultepec cadets, versus the treasonable acts of deserter Sergeant John Riley and his renegade San Patricio battalion; the shining leadership and integrity of "old Fuss and Feathers" Scott, of Alexander Doniphan, versus the tactical blunders of General Santa Anna, apparently for personal gain, which often cost unnecessary lives of brave Mexican soldiers; the examples of promising young students in the art of handling fighting soldiers, like Braxton Bragg or Ben Roberts, versus those men who merely played at soldiering, uncertain, distracted by other thoughts, like Gideon Pillow and John Garland.

The War was full of solid military lessons—the value of reconnaissance, as performed by Robert E. Lee and George Meade, versus the almost whimsical, blind troop commitments of the Mexicans; the lesson of decisive American maneuvers with the limited force they had, versus the Mexican habit of tying many units and men down to vulnerable terrain features; and the value of guerrilla warfare, when well and objectively conducted.

Scott's "fixed opinion," which so many of us learned as Plebes, just had to appear in this book. A really significant observation, it has the effect of reminding us of the reason for being of the Military Academy. The Mexican War was, of course, the first real indicator of how well West Point was meeting its objectives of producing military leaders. As much as our nation continues to need the West Point leadership product, in or out of the military service, Red Reeder is doing a fine service for our country in these books that appeal to young Americans and potential West Pointers. It is also fitting that the wholesome characteristics of integrity which have made our country great—patriotism, loyalty, fortitude, ingenuity—be set out again and again to our rising generation, not by "teaching" them, but by simply talking with them in palatable, understanding, honest words.

In short, this is a splendid book.

Your boy must read *The Story of The Mexican War*. And you'd better read it, too, so you'll be ready for his questions.

To Move a Nation:

The Politics of Foreign Policy in the Administration of John F. Kennedy

By Roger Hilsman Jun'43. 602 pages. Published by Doubleday & Co., Inc., Garden City, N.Y. 1967. \$6.95.

Reviewed by: G.A. LINCOLN '29, Colonel, USA, Professor and Head, Department of Social Sciences, USMA, West Point, N.Y.

To Move a Nation is a book about how decisions have been made, and will be made, in national security matters. Most of the readers of ASSEMBLY are, or have been, in the national security business. Hence the book is a strong candidate for their attention.

The author is sometimes unkind, even scathing in his statements concerning military personalities and proposals involving the use of military power as an instrument of policy. These, he thinks, sometimes carried too much influence. So the book may be heartening to those who think that the military voice has not received due attention in the policy making of recent years. Nor will everyone agree with what Hilsman thinks policy and programs should have been. But such topics are not the main concern of the book which is about the "politics of policy making." The author writes about his subject from his insight as a high level "action officer."

Roger Hilsman served with Merrill's Marauders and as commander of an OSS guerrilla unit in Burma, was wounded, attained his Ph.D. from Yale, and resigned from the Army to pursue a teaching, writing, and research career. He served in the Kennedy administration, first as Director of Intelligence and Research of the State Department and then as Assistant Secretary for the Far East during the growing Vietnam crisis incident to the last stages of the Diem period.

UNLIKE some who write about recent events, Hilsman held positions which required that he step up to the plate and take a responsible cut at the problems about which he writes. He was personally involved. So also were many readers of *ASSEMBLY*. Now a professor at Columbia, Hilsman writes both from the standpoint of a professional political scientist and from his experience. This combination of scholarship and responsible experience is rare.

Some five hundred of the six hundred pages are devoted to seven case studies of foreign policy problems—the Bay of Pigs, the Cuban missile crisis, Laos, the Congo, Indonesia and Malaysia, China, and Vietnam. These case studies flow smoothly from one to another in the common stream provided by the country's overall national security problem, by the running analysis provided by the author, and by the same personalities, led by President Kennedy, dealing with them.

There is enough of personalities in the book to attract devotees of the personality cult of decision-making. Hilsman documents his admiration of John and Robert Kennedy and of Averell Harriman. He apparently did not associate readily with the ways of thought of Robert McNamara and Dean Rusk. He does depart from a frequent criticism of the latter to comment that he believes that "consistent with his own conception of the role of the Secretary of State, Rusk served John F. Kennedy well," and that when President Kennedy looked for the most experienced and able man he could find, "on balance Dean Rusk most closely filled the bill of any of the men available." Hilsman might have added that Kennedy had to find somebody able and willing to remain at the desk guiding the individualists he had already appointed to foreign policy positions (and was about to appoint, including Hilsman), rather than jumping out of the nearest window.

The importance of personalities, and of the interaction of personalities in the Washington political process, is a major point driven home by the book.

THIS reviewer has a grave question about at least two of Hilsman's theses. But these theses are widely held and need to be considered. First, Hilsman believes the Secretary of State and the Department of State should exert a more predominant voice in national security decision-making. The President, by the Constitution, is both Commander-in-Chief and responsible for the conduct of foreign policy. While he may, *de facto*, delegate any of his great responsibilities, he is unlikely to will that any official or department have an overriding voice in the most critical decisions. Those decisions are his alone. And, if he wants to change the style of his advisors and the pattern of advice, he can change his advisors—even the Secretary of State, or of Defense.

Secondly, Hilsman argues his case throughout one chapter contending that if Kennedy had lived, our current involvement in Vietnam would not have occurred. No one can replay history with a different input of decisions, personalities, and actions. Hence we will never know. But Hilsman does not make clear what he means in asserting that there would have been more "political" input into

the problem in contrast to thinking of the war in military terms. To this reviewer the problem is not one of priorities between the two instruments of policy so much as achieving an integration of political and military inputs (both are vital) which need to be woven together like the warp and woof of a rug.

Hilsman's presentation is superb, and almost unique in the reading of this reviewer, for many aspects of the realities of decision-making. He discusses forthrightly the "leak" to communications media as it is used in our political system as an instrument of political action. He discusses "secret-intelligence in a free society" repeatedly and in depth, and has patience with those who decry it. Hilsman authored a book a decade ago on strategic intelligence. *To Move a Nation* is a book for all dealing with or relying on strategic intelligence.

His portrayal of the impact of personalities on decision-making is an illuminating and persuasive account of that Washington environment "where some of the methods would have aroused the envy of the Borgias" according to one former Secretary of State. (But really the environment is not that bad—most of the time). Hilsman's recording in each case study of the alternatives, their pros and cons, the shifts in appraisals concerning these various policy alternatives, and the interplay of personalities, is a record that helps to draw the veil from the policy-making process. That veil is further dissipated by his discussion of the roles of Congress and the role of the press which he refers to as "the dynamism of mass communications."

As a history, the book is useful. But it is not, and could not be, complete. Each case study is worth a book in itself. And other participants in these events will need to make their interpretations available, two of them being Rusk and McNamara, before historians can write authentic history—on which the historians will probably still differ.

The book has been categorized as another Kennedy book, of which about twenty have been published thus far. This categorization is misleading. Hilsman was a Kennedy man and is a Kennedy admirer. But he is first a political scientist and a historian of recent events.

His book does, however, make him a party to the complicated issue of the propriety of authoring publication so early that the act may be judged an invasion of the privacy of former superiors and associates, or adversely affecting the national interest, or both. The arguments on the other side of the case include the privileges of scholarship and the peoples' "right to know."

Alan Westin's recent book on *Privacy and Freedom* states the heart of the problem well in quoting the writing of A.A. Berle:

A President must talk to his staff. He can get the best from them—and they can best function—only when exchange is wholly candid. In the reviewer's experience, great decision-making usually boils down to a tired chief of state on one side of the desk and a trusted friend or aide on the other. If at that point the chief of state must consider not only the decision involved but also the possible effect of revelation of himself, his emotions, and his thinking—concerning men, political effects of possible measures, his personal hopes and fears—frankness will necessarily be inhibited.

Hilsman is no more subject to criticism on this issue than other recent authors, and less than some. But his book is in the recent flow of publications highlighting the issue by their appearance while some principal characters still carry public responsibility for the same problems. The book discusses the "in and out" government official. Perhaps this type of scholarship will make Presidents and their Secre-

aries of the more critical government operations conservative in bringing "in" talent which is likely to move quickly to writing once "out" of the job of being a subordinate official.

THE best chapters are near the end of the book and are entitled respectively, "Power, Politics and Policy Making" and "Improving the Policy Process." Students of the Eisenhower administration, and participants therein, will recall the comparatively tidy and defined institutional arrangements, centering on the National Security Council, for national security policy making and its execution. Hilsman presents the Kennedy system and the current system as placing less emphasis on institutional arrangements and more emphasis on foreign policy making as a "political process of conflict and consensus-building" with inevitable untidiness and turmoil. At the upper levels, personalities rather than institutions such as the Joint Chiefs or even the State Department tip the scales. The ability to persuade and educate is a vital item. The awesome job of the President is soberingly apparent.

Hilsman sees planning in foreign affairs as similar to military planning. The best that can be done, long-range, is the identification and analysis of strategic choices. But, like military planning, foreign policy is susceptible to short-range contingency plans. He argues that organizational and institutional gimmicks do not help in a process which is essentially one of "tentative, incremental experimentation" in a "groping at understanding the nature of the evolving world around us."

The author seems to end his analysis by relying on people for improvement in foreign policy operations. One reviewer has even criticized him for failing to define a more sure-fire system. Hilsman thinks that "by and large the United States can be proud of its career services, both civilian and military," and that the margin available for their improvement does not make much difference in the quality of foreign policy. This general conclusion is somewhat at variance with the rather vigorous salting of the book with comments concerning career officers. Hilsman concludes that the President, the "expendable" advisors he picks (Hilsman obviously considered himself expendable), and the style of the President in seeking advice and making decisions—these are the variables determining degrees of success or failure. The Bay of Pigs was a failure, the Cuban missile crisis a success. Both case studies are in the book.

FINALLY, this is not primarily a Kennedy book or a now-it-can-be-told book. It is a successful use of the case study method which is well known to law, business administration, and military history, but rarely used very successfully in writing about our government. The book has been frequently and favorably reviewed. The *Christian Science Monitor* review begins: "To state it simply, Roger Hilsman's book is indispensable to an understanding of American foreign policy, as it was, and it will be." This reviewer concurs.

AT EASE: Stories I Tell to Friends

By Dwight D. Eisenhower '15. Published by Doubleday & Co., Inc., Garden City, N.Y. 400 pages. \$6.95.

Reviewed by JOHN J. BRISCOE '45, Colonel, USA, Association of Graduates, USMA.

In the foreword to this, his fourth book, General Eisenhower indicates that he directed his "casual reminiscences" to a tape recorder. Clearly his talent and reputation as a raconteur is not in the least diminished in the translation of these spoken memories to the printed page.

There is a greater warmth and humor in this writing than in his previous books and rightly so, for it is a collection of favorite anecdotes. It is not an effort to record history or set world-important facts straight. There is, however, much material of interest to biographers and historians, but that is not the purpose of the book. In this vein General Eisenhower deserves an accolade as one of the best "old soldier" story tellers around.

The General has divided his book into four sections with a lead-in chapter on his cadet days at West Point entitled: "To the Point." Since the sections that follow are in chronological sequence from the early days in Kansas to the Presidency, a reader may be baffled by this opening West Point chapter until he reads at its close:

From the first day at West Point, and any number of times thereafter, I often asked myself: What am I doing here? Like the other young men, I sometimes wondered—where did I come from, by what route and why; by what chance arrangement of fate did I come by this uniform?

He then returns to his boyhood days in his attempt to answer those questions.

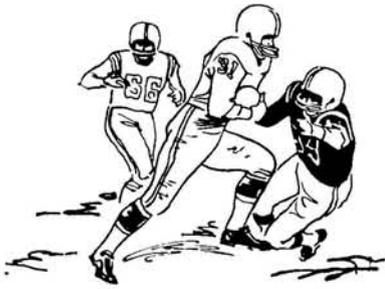
In the first section General Eisenhower recounts his early memories as a boy until his fateful departure for West Point. Here he displays his keen ability to recall names, places, and facts that to most of us in our adult lives are but dim memories of an all-too-hurried youth. He gives us an excellent background of the Eisenhower family, a deeply religious family with conservative ideas and a strong sense of basic honesty and fairness. The great influence of the mother on the growing boy is felt throughout these stories, and one can certainly recommend them to the youth of today as an example of strong, traditional, family living of pre-World War I days. Throughout these poignant stories the General not only cites the lessons he learned, he also notes how these experiences contributed to the molding of his future life.

By far the most interesting for Academy graduates, other than the West Point chapter, is the section of the book devoted to the period from his graduation in 1915 to the outbreak of World War II. Here are "soldier stories" at their best, and, happily, this is the largest section of the book. General Eisenhower tells of his frustrations at not being sent overseas during World War I, of his first experiences with tanks and with George Patton, of his courtship of Mamie, of army football coaching, of a hilarious cross-country trek with an army convoy, and of the great influence of General Fox Connor on his own development as an officer. Here, too, is a good discussion of his service with three other great military leaders—Generals Pershing, MacArthur, and Marshall.

The stories of World War II and the post-war period do not have the warmth of the earlier experiences probably because the prominent personages involved have an aura of remoteness to the reader. These latter incidents had a greater impact on the world scene, and as such are less personal. They are, however, extremely interesting anecdotes and give us insight into what led to many great military and political decisions.

At Ease is a wonderfully apt title; this is a fine book to read by the fire, to take time to reflect on, and to enjoy. One can only hope that the General has retained the portions of the tapes he did not use and will give us another, similar volume—possibly at "Parade Rest."

Copies of *At Ease* may be ordered from the USMA Bookstore, West Point, N.Y. 10996



down the field...

by FRANK WALTER

THE story of ARMY football for the fall of 1967 reads almost the same as it did in 1966—at least through the first four games. ARMY approaches the second half of its schedule with a 3-1 record, the same as a year ago, and has hopes of matching or bettering last year's 8-2 mark. It was that fine record that brought ARMY back into the national spotlight in college football and caused the coaches and sportswriters to name Tom Cahill the 1966 Coach-of-the-Year.

Victories have been scored over Virginia (26-7), Boston College (21-10), and Southern Methodist (24-6). The lone loss came at West Point to Duke (10-7). This time a year ago ARMY had tallied wins over Kansas State, Holy Cross, and Penn State, and the one loss, to Notre Dame.

Referring to the *Army Football Parade*, a booklet being

sold nationally by the West Point Society of New York, and turning to page 38 where last June the editors listed the tentative starting lineups for the fall, one would note only a few exceptions in the teams which have been starting every game this fall.

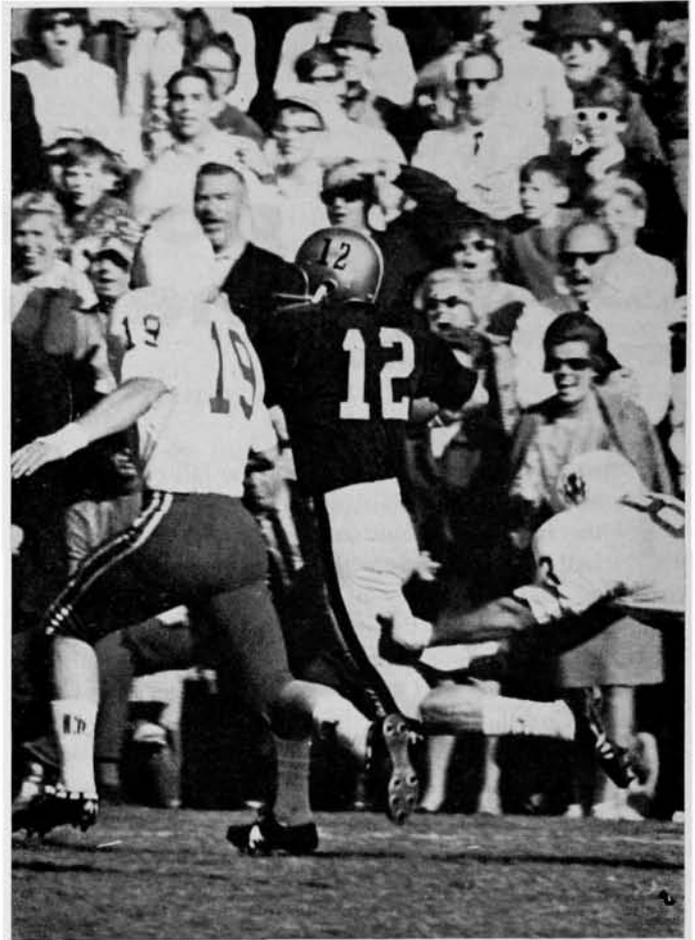
The offense has Terry Young and Gary Steele at end, Keith Harrelson and Bob Ivany at tackle, John Nerdahl and Frank Nader at guard, Don Roberts at center, Steve Lindell at quarter, John Peduto and Carl Woessner at halfback, and Charlie Jarvis at fullback. Ivany was injured and missed the first game (Virginia) when Bill Jackson, a Yearling, started in his place. More on the quarterback situation later.

On defense, Captain Bud Neswiacheny is listed as "the General," his title as a roving lineman, although he

Van Evans (40) scores against Virginia climaxing a 24-yard run. Providing blocking escort for the fleet-footed Evans are First Classmen guards, Frank Nader (66) and John Nerdahl (63).



Scrambling quarterback Steve Lindell (12) is bumped out of bounds on the 3-yard line after having sprinted 59 yards from scrimmage in game against Duke. Lindell made his first 1967 appearance as ARMY quarterback in this third game of the season.



usually lines up as an end on the strong side. Ollie Johnson and Tom Wheelock are the ends, Steve Yarnell and either Elwood Cobey or Bob Gora the tackles, Pat Mente the middle guard, Ken Johnson and Jim Bevans the linebackers, and Hank Toczylowski, Pete Dencker, and Dick Luecke the defensive backs. Dencker replaced the injured Jim McCall at safety, and Luecke beat out Tom Haller for the left defensive halfback post.

During the week of the opener against Virginia, Lindell went to the hospital with a stomach disorder. Jim O'Toole, ARMY's dependable backup quarterback, was already out with a shoulder separation, suffered in the final scrimmage at Camp Buckner. That left Coach Cahill without an experienced quarterback, and that's some way to start a football campaign.

Roger LeDoux, a Yearling from Sulphur, La., had been moved in behind Lindell after O'Toole was hurt, and to this young man fell the job of piloting the Cadets through the first two games.



The veterans on the offensive unit—Roberts, Nader, Nerdahl, Harrelson, Young, Peduto, and Woessner—showed that they have the leadership qualifications desired at the Military Academy and twice carried the day. While LeDoux was getting his first taste of varsity football, these veterans of the game gave him the confidence and support that he needed.

Woessner scored the first touchdown of the season and Van Evans, an all-East halfback on ARMY's 1966 150-lb. championship team and a sprint champion both indoors and out, supplied two more on a punt return and a run from scrimmage. Even so, the Cadets had to come from behind to beat Virginia.

It took a little longer and two come-from-behind efforts to win before a sell-out crowd at Boston College. Finally, a pair of field goals by kicking ace Nick Kurilko and a touchdown by Jim Greenlee, another transfer from the 1966 150-lb. champions, put the game out of reach of the upset-minded Eagles.

Duke maintained its record of never having lost in Michie Stadium by handing ARMY its first loss of the season. The Blue Devils manufactured a fourth-quarter touchdown to erase ARMY's 7-3 lead, and then fought off the

Greg Camp '68 leads the field to the finish line in the season's opening cross-country meet. ARMY won over teams from LeMoyné and Fairleigh-Dickinson. Encouraging the ARMY runners, and keeping the official time, is Maj. David McNerney '55.



ARMY's Luis Retana, a Second Classman from Costa Rica, takes aim at Yale's goal in 6-1 victory over the Eli at West Point.

frustrated Cadets. ARMY was called eleven times on penalties for a total of 108 yards, saw a touchdown disappear on a penalty which nullified not only the score but cost the down and possession of the ball, lost the ball once on a fumble, and four of Lindell's passes were intercepted. It was a gray day on the Plain.

They turned the lights on in the Dallas Cotton Bowl six days later, and when they turned them out again, ARMY had completely outplayed Southern Methodist to the tune of 24 to 6. Lindell displayed his 1966 quarterbacking ability, hitting on 12 of 15 passes and bucking over for one score. Jarvis accounted for the other two, and Kurilko's magic toe added six more points. It was considered by those who follow ARMY football closely as the best demonstration in several seasons of how the game should be played.

The return of O'Toole, who made the trip to Dallas but did not play because of his still-mending shoulder, means that ARMY goes into the last six games at full offensive strength.

Kurilko's five field goals already matches the season mark made by Ed Garbisch in 1924 and repeated in 1963 by Dick Heydt. His 46-yard boot in Dallas was the longest from placement in ARMY history.

End Terry Young erased the career pass-receiving mark of 65 held by "Lonely End" Bill Carpenter in the Boston College game and ran that total to 75 after four games. His career yardage is 1,027, just 17 yards short of the 1,044 made by Carpenter. The gifted Young now challenges Carpenter's season and game marks and could become the greatest pass catcher in ARMY grid history.

FALL 1967

While most of the football discussion seems to be pointed toward the offense and scoring, the new defense must not be overlooked. There were only five returning starters on the defensive unit, and an entirely new defensive coaching staff. The Defenders, as they are known, have been stellar. When Virginia encountered Neswiacheny guarding one end, they ran at newcomer Wheelock on the other side, and he stopped them so effectively that he was named to the all-East team that week.

Then Boston College found linebacker Bevans too much. On his way to the all-East weekly team, he tipped one punt, blocked another for a safety, intercepted two passes, and made 14 tackles.

His running mate at the other linebacker position, Ken Johnson, made 24 tackles against Duke and intercepted a pass (voided by a penalty) and he, too, became an all-East selection.

Defensive back Toczylowski was given the assignment of containing Jerry Levias, the SMU speedster. Playing a one-on-one role against Levias, he intercepted one pass, recovered a fumble, stopped a two-point conversion attempt, and thereby earned a place on the all-East team. The Big D in Dallas that weekend was Defense—ARMY's.

Although not especially deep in reserve strength, Coach Cahill and his staff have been getting many players into action; 48 against Virginia, 33 against Boston, 31 against Duke, and 43 in the SMU game.

The fans have certainly proven that they like ARMY football, even though the tripleheader in Dallas, where ARMY played the first of three (continue on page 40)

The Coaches' and Captains' MEMORIAL TROPHY

THE name, John H. "Johnny" Geist, doesn't appear anywhere on the Academy's rolls, but he knows and loves West Point, and on 23 September, between the halves of the football game against Virginia, Johnny saw a dream come true.

In January 1967 John Geist had traveled from his home in Harrisburg, Pa., to West Point and, standing before the grave of the late Ed White '52, he was moved to "take immediate action on a dream of three years." His action took the form of a letter to Col. Jerry Capka, Director of Athletics in which he explained his aspiration: "I request permission to donate a football trophy to the Military Academy in honor of West Point's football coaches and team captains, the trophy to be known as the 'Coaches' and Captains' Memorial Trophy.' If permission is granted the Academy will become the sole owner of the trophy free of any obligation or monetary expense."

Johnny Geist then identified himself as an ex-soldier who had been in the army from 1937 to 1947 when he was discharged with a certificate of disability. An injury to his left leg resulted in its amputation six years later. He then

spoke of his many visits to West Point and the beginnings of his dream.

"I have stood on Trophy Point and looked in wonder at historic Battle Monument, and far below I saw the Hudson winding its way to the sea. I have watched the Corps of Cadets marching in full dress on the Plain... I have attended morning worship in the cadet chapel... and realized that it was there the cadets restored their faith to fulfill the Academy's code... I have heard the music of West Point... the band... the Hellcats... retreat... and taps, and they all left me in a state of patriotic humility. It is at West Point that I can feel the greatness of America... To me West Point is a birthright of America, and I bow in deep humility to the Long Gray Line.

"May it be the will of almighty God to guide, protect, and bless this grand old Academy, today and in all future days..."

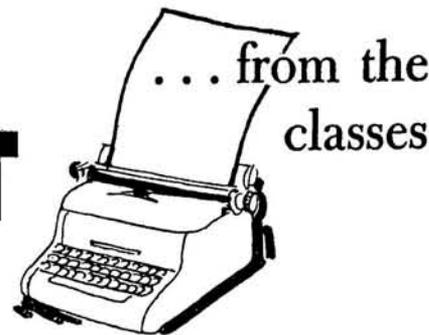
The Academy was pleased and flattered to accept Mr. Geist's generous gift, and he himself made the formal presentation with ARMY coaches and team captains proudly participating in the ceremony. West Point was honored to be a part of Johnny Geist's realized dream.



A representation of ARMY football greats was on hand at the ARMY-Virginia game for the formal acceptance by the Academy of the Coaches' and Captains' Memorial Trophy. Left to right: Al Vanderbush '61, Al Paulekas '53, Alexander George '20, Pete Dawkins '59, Joe Steffy '49, Bob Farris '56, Jack Price '32, Mort Sprague '29, Dennis Mulligan '24, Babe Weyand '16, Red Blaik '20, and Gene Vidal Nov'18. Director of Athletics Jerry Capka '44 (holding microphone), accepts the gift from Mr. John Geist, the donor, who stands to his left. The names of all the ARMY football coaches and captains appear on engraved plates on the table top.



REPORT



'03

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

Colley wrote from the naval hospital at Bremerton. He was in and out of the hospital in May, June, and July. On 8 Aug he wrote a note stating that he is not physically crippled but has some mental disability. He is always cheerful.

Jake Wuest says it has been hot down there in Florida, and he blesses the man who applied the law of expanding gases to refrigerating our homes. They were planning a trip to California at the end of August for 4 to 6 weeks.

A short note from Clark Lynn states that he has good days and bad ones. I wonder who does not! He is in a nursing home in Bethesda, Md. Clifford Jones states that the big event of his summer was a week's visit from his son, Maj. Clifford Jones Jr., ('55). He is the last son of 1903 to graduate from West Point.

Ulysses Grant writes that he has been working hard to complete a biography of his grandfather, Gen. U.S. Grant. He, himself, has been getting older every day—or so he says. But you would never know it.

Turtle has made a list of the names and addresses of many of the widows of our Class, a very fine and painstaking job. He writes very enthusiastically of the trip he made to West Point to help commemorate the Class of 1867 of which his father was a member. Lewis was the oldest person present and the only son of the Class of 1867 present.

Rodney spent the summer, as usual, 'way up there in Yankeeland (Maine). While there he had the annual lobster dinner with the Farnums. They both looked fine, and they certainly live on a wonderful estate. He also called on the widow of "Dad" Hawkins, who lives with a daughter in Brunswick, Maine. She was out walking, a good omen, so he did not see her. Rodney also visited his old home in Delaware and expects to go to Philadelphia to see the ARMY-



1903: Rodney (left) with the Farnums in Maine in August.

Navy football game on 2 Dec. It has been a long time since he has seen or encountered a classmate or near-classmate at the game.

Telford died at the hospital in San Diego on 21 June 1967. He lived in La Jolla, Calif. An effort is being made to obtain sufficient data to have an obituary written for publication in ASSEMBLY. But Telford lived a sort of "hermit life," and data concerning him is hard to come by.

That leaves 12 of those brave warriors of '03 still living. Old Father Time is inexorably chipping away at them, but this hardy bunch of an even dozen is battling him!

'04

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



1904: M.H. Thomlinson on his 85th birthday at his home in El Paso.

The Association of Graduates was happy to learn that H.M. Thomlinson was honored on 10 July at a surprise birthday party by the El Paso Chapter, Military Order of World Wars. The Colonel is 85.

Thomlinson, who commanded Fort Bliss in 1943, and was curator of the Centennial Museum at Texas Western College from 1946 to 1957, lives at 4515 Cumberland Circle, El Paso.

EDITOR

Our Association membership of 18,521 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

'05

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

I regret to report that Florence Tucker Spaulding, wife of our Tom, died at Washington on 10 July 1967. According to the class records she married Tom on 24 October 1906. This marriage of nearly sixty-one years must be the longest for any member of the Class of 1905.

'06

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

The obit for Plupy Shute has been for some time in the hands of his three daughters for corrections and approval. Marjorie Dykes, who is responsible for its return, has been busy with the marriage of her daughter Marjorie to Mr. Stephen Peter Sulkov at Las Vegas on 21 August, and getting the new family settled. She promises an early action.

Christine Hoyle has been in the New Haven hospital following a fall which injured her damaged back, but she is now back at Hamden, unable to get about very well. Our sympathy to her. DeRuss is still busy in his garden, having raised and frozen enough tomatoes to keep the family in vitamins all winter. He will miss the home games at West Point this fall, which he and Mick Daley cheered regularly for many past seasons. We hear Mick is planning to attend with his Albany contingent.

Joe King is back in San Antonio after a long safari over the West, with daughter Julia in the driver's seat, and grandson Joey along to view the great territory west of the Rockies. They took in everything worthwhile: the Carlsbad Caverns, the Petrified Forest, the Meteor Crater, the Grand Canyon, Disneyland, San Francisco, Yosemite, the Grand Tetons, Custer Battlefield, Rushmore with the carved heroes, and finally delivered grandson Joey to his family at Lake Okoboji

Nicholas Retires

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dramatic way the power of probability theory and statistical inference as taught today to all cadets at the Military Academy. As a consequence, the story has become in recent years the ideal vehicle for Nicholas's annual lecture, in his capacity as Department Head, at the end of Third Class mathematics. The lecture is rich in both mathematics and humor, and the climax invariably brings the cadets to their feet in a standing ovation.

To return to earlier years, at the conclusion of Nicholas's first tour in the Department of Mathematics he was ordered to the regular course at the Field Artillery School, where he graduated first in his class. He was then retained on the Staff and Faculty of the Artillery School for three years until sent to the Command and General Staff school in 1939. The course at Leavenworth was shortened to five months because of impending mobilization, and after early graduation in 1940, Nicholas joined the 36th Field Artillery for the Corps and Army maneuvers in Louisiana. Next, he spent a year at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, in the activation and initial training of the 8th Division Artillery. Then, in 1941, he was ordered back to West Point for a second tour in the Department of Mathematics.

ON THIS TOUR, shortened to a year by World War II, Nicholas was Associate Professor in charge of Third Class mathematics. Among the responsibilities assigned to him by Harris Jones was the introduction and direction of a new, upper section course in mathematical statistics, offered in the spring of 1942 for the first time in USMA history. This was an invaluable experience, enhancing Nicholas's professional grasp of an emerging academic discipline 20 years before it became generally recognized among U.S. colleges as essential to undergraduate education for science, engineering, and management.

He was soon to put this background to important use in the War Department, where he was assigned to military intelligence duty in 1942. Here he became recognized as a pioneer in scientific intelligence, the process of unraveling secret characteristics of the enemy's most advanced weapons still in the development stage. A matter of urgent importance to Great Britain and the United States at the time was the Crossbow problem (so named by Winston Churchill), relating to the missile system being developed by the Germans on the Island of Bornholm in the North Sea and along the English Channel coast of Normandy. Placed in charge of all intelligence evaluation and coordination of countermeasures research on the enemy's secret weapons, Nicholas was soon the chief of a team of

in Iowa, where the family met for the summer. En route, Joe visited his elderly sister in Los Angeles and his grandson in Vermilion, South Dakota. He arrived home in time to attend the funeral of "Pot" Lewis, who was buried in the Fort Sam Houston Cemetery. No particulars about "Pot's" illness and death are yet available. Julia Green was another representative of 1906 at the graveside ceremonies. Pot's death leaves only 10 of the 1906 stalwarts on this planet, plus three of our former members, Akin, Parr, and Merrill.

Henry Finch tells me that he is moving to a rest home because his sight is failing too rapidly for solitary living. He sends a copy of his dictated dissertation on Dr. Rosenberg's article about knowing much literature. Henry concludes that such knowledge makes a good companion, but not necessarily a better officer. I fear he has not read Eisenhower's appreciation of Fox Conner, and his library of military history, in which Ike learned to become a great leader. The letter was sent to Earl McFarland with Henry's philosophical memoirs.

Bill Akin reports that he and Ruth, who just got back from a 21-day trip to Madrid, Spain, are holding two services a week at Bill's Sonoma Episcopal church.

Elizabeth and I have just returned from Asheville, driven home by an officer of the Biltmore Forest police force, at our request—not under arrest. It was a cold, wet summer all over the East, including Asheville.

But we had a lot of fun with many old friends, recalling army days and West Point memories. Olive Wilby, widow of Francis of 1905, was a delightful neighbor at the Manor Hotel where we stayed. She is on her way to Europe for a tour just now. Jim Laubach and daughter Alice, John Wogan and his wife Mac, Pierre and Florence Mallett, the parents of three fine West Pointers, Charles '47, David '48, and Peter '50, made the summer most interesting. All three are growers of roses and tuberous begonias. I have never seen more gorgeous flowers, nor any more effectively displayed in hanging baskets, overlooking their wonderfully rich flower gardens.

The June parade of the alumni at West Point found Mick Daley and Earl McFarland right up front. Earl was a guest at the 1907 60th Reunion banquet. He is also a regular attendant at the monthly meeting of 1907 at the Army-Navy Club in Washington.

I was inspired to write this lyrical prayer for the decemvirs of 1906 as they pass along through their eighties of life:

*Dear God, our gratitude to Thee ascends
For many years and many friends.
We pray, dear Lord, Thy love enfold
These precious friends whose love we hold.
Give us of Thine eternal grace,
That in the end, we see Thy face.
Forgive us, Lord, when we transgress,
And on our hearts Thy laws impress.
Bless, Thou, our years that they may make
Us strong to labor for Thy sake.
Now let us all, these years enjoy,
But never, in our hearts destroy
Our love for Thee, Thy Son, and then,
Amen, dear Lord, Amen. Amen.*

May you all keep well and keep me informed. A Dios.

'07

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The following several paragraphs constitute Dan'l Boone's excellent report to the Class on our 60th Reunion. The Class of 1907 held its Sixtieth Reunion on 2-3 June with only six of the "Lingering Herd" answering the roll call—part of the gallant remnants of the 111 who walked out through the sallyport 60 years ago. Only Bob Arthur, Dan'l Boone, Lovely Laubach, Skinny MacLachlan, Tom Spencer, and Cal Stedman gathered for what old Father Time may decree was to be our last formal fifth-year reunion. We had successively moved up in the Alumni March to Thayer Monument until there was only one old grad from '02 and two from '06 ahead of us in the column. *Sic tempus fugit* was in our thoughts.

But few as we were in number, we all felt an unusual spirit of comradeship and affection—something of the élan and bond of the Old Guard. As we scanned our little group we very much regretted that our faithful class president, John Sullivan, was unable to be with us because of illness and that the other 14 surviving classmates could not, for various reasons, join us.

Honored by the red carpet welcome we had received from Gen. Bennett and his staff and faculty, appreciative of the able assistance of Col. Brown and his staff in the alumni office, and thankful to Maj. Reynard for helping us prepare the details for our special class activities, we looked forward with keen anticipation to the happy hours that are always the fruition of West Point reunions.

This year the program for June Week activities differed from the past in that there were two separate periods: Alumni activities for the first two days, and graduating class activities for the remaining days. The change had to be made because of the crowded conditions incident to the enlarged Corps of Cadets and in order that the alumni could finish their programs and depart, if desired, on the third day, thereby making space and other facilities available for the cadets and their many visitors.

During our two allotted days there was the usual full program for the alumni: registration, getting settled, meeting with classmates, business meetings, athletic and social affairs, and enjoying much reminiscing about old times, both as cadets and as officers.

The highlight of our reunion was the class dinner on Saturday evening in the Gold Room of the West Point Army Mess. The cocktail hour was from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. during which time tape recordings of West Point songs and music produced the inspiring atmosphere of cadet days. We welcomed as special guests Earl McFarland of '06, an honorary member of our Class, and Richard L. Reynard '58, a member of the academy staff and our class representative and special aide for plans and details of all kinds.

At 6:30 p.m. we went into the handsomely appointed dining room for dinner. Telegrams from John Sullivan, Enrique White, Jess Drain, and Oliver Wood and phone messages from Inge Hayden and John Paul Jones contained affectionate greetings and regrets that they were unable to join us. Toasts were drunk to the President of the United States, to the Superintendent of the Military Academy, to the staff and faculty, to the Corps of Cadets, to our other classmates still living but not present, and lastly,

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a silent toast to the memory of our classmates who have passed away.

After dinner a special tape recording of a humorous skit recalling incidents during our cadet days was broadcast from a fictitious station, USMA. This was followed by a very interesting talk, with color slides, by Maj. Reynard, showing and explaining the many buildings and other facilities now under construction that will provide for the increase of the Corps to 4,417 cadets.

Then came a most interesting series of 10-minute talks, first by our honored guest, Earl McFarland, and then by each of the Class recalling humorous and serious experiences during the 5-year period between the 55th and the 60th Reunions. In these talks both Lovely Laubach and Tom Spencer won elocutionary laurels by being only half finished when their 10 minutes had expired and the gavel fell.

As the dinner ended, we unanimously adopted a resolution, each pledging to be present in 1972 for our 65th Reunion. We were all agreed, however, that if Fate declared this reunion to be our last, it was to be cherished as a worthy ending to a happy series extending over 3-score years of our military lives, both active and retired. Thus ended Boone's report.

Ray Hill wrote Dan'l Boone that he could not be with him at our 60th Reunion, but he would join him for our 65th, 70th, and 75th!

Bob Arthur said that he and Skinny MacLachlan were the first to arrive for our 60th. He added: "Skinny isn't skinny anymore."

Waldo Potter writes that his son, Waldo F., June '43, colonel USAF, is due back from Vietnam in September and is under orders to report for duty at Langley Field in October. He hopes that will insure his getting to Washington occasionally to see the '07 group and associates. He was kept away from our 60th by illness.

Enrique White wrote in August that he had visited his oldest civilian friend, Tom Fee, near Braintree, Mass., the birthplace of Sylvanus Thayer. Thayer established the Braintree Academy which is today a high-class private school. Across from the academy is Thayer's old home, now a national historical monument containing a library and museum. Enrique has been sending his copies of ASSEMBLY to Tom Fee, and he has been giving them to the library where they are said to be eagerly awaited and read by the boys. Enrique suggests that copies of ASSEMBLY, rather than to be thrown away after reading, could be given to local libraries. They are valued at Thayer, he says.

Oliver Wood's birthday in September coincided with the day of our monthly luncheon. When the dessert was brought on, a decorated birthday cake, with lighted candles and Happy Birthday inscribed on it, was placed in front of Oliver. He was surprised and pleased. It cleared up the whispering that had been observed between Enrique White and some of the club personnel. It was a pleasure to have Tom Spencer join us for lunch. He was in town for several days, a guest of Enrique White.

Andy Lang fought the good fight. He battled for 20 years—never willing to surrender. His devoted wife, Edith, who visited him day after day, year after year, was a tremendous help. He left us in July and was buried in Arlington with full military honors. His local classmates were honorary pallbearers. Dan'l Boone sent the usual class check to the Association of Graduates in memory of Andy. The Class extended its

deepest sympathy to Edith and her family.

A good many years ago Lts. Andy Lang and Paul Larned reported for duty at West Point and were assigned quarters next to each other. A genuine and enduring friendship developed between the two families. On retiring, both settled in metropolitan Washington. Paul left us in January, and six months later Andy followed.

In June, the Alabama Power Company, the St. Clair County Commissioners Court, and the Talledega County Commissioners Court extended invitations to participate in the dedication of Logan Martin Dam on the Coosa River near Vincent, Ala. The principal address was given by the Hon. Lurleen B. Wallace, Governor of Alabama. The Martin family has been prominent in the political, business, and cultural life of Alabama for more than a century. Logan's brother, Tom, was one of the earliest and one of the leading conservationists of this country. It is a pleasure to note these honors extended to the memory of a classmate—honors richly deserved.

Eddie Householder's birthday celebration extends over 4 days. He gets royal treatment. Charley Wyman enclosed a picture of himself in his rose garden, and the flowers are beautiful. He looks like a young man of 60! Charley says Glen Edgerton missed our Class by one file. Fauntley Miller gave him a tussle.

It comes to my attention that the REGISTER OF GRADUATES shows that obituaries have not been published in the ASSEMBLY on several men of '07 who are no longer with us. Obituaries for these men should be written and published to make our and the Association of Graduates' records complete. Publication will require the help of all of us in the Class. To those who served with any of them, I ask, please send information to Dan'l Boone. Likewise, if you know the names and addresses of any of their relatives, give this information to Dan'l. He will assemble the information and send it to those who agree to write the obituaries. Everyone should help in this very worthy project and certainly the help of everyone is needed.

'08

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Olin and Ruth Ellis spent the latter part of the summer at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, again this year. Olin appears to be holding his own pretty well, but he is not improving very much, and his activities are considerably curtailed.

John and Leila Hester are living quietly at 2965 Pharr Court, South, NW., Atlanta, Georgia 30305. They do not take long trips anymore, but they drive around Atlanta and vicinity. Both of their sons live in Atlanta. Henry '34, is retired. John Jr., Colorado University '40, is an electrical engineer with the Southern Company.

Spike Dougherty reports that he has moved from Coopersburg to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he is comfortably settled at the Central Park Convalescent Residence. He is still suffering from arthritis and is unable to report much improvement. He is active mentally, though, and his letters are characteristically entertaining and full of good humor.

It is sad to have to report the death of James E. Chaney on 21 August 1967. He died suddenly of a heart attack. The funeral was at Fort Myer Chapel on 24 August, and

civilian scientists and military technicians, backed by the deep and flexible resources of the Office of Scientific Research and Development. The successful handling of the Crossbow problem resulted in his first award of the Legion of Merit. In practical terms the outcome was correct intelligence evaluation of the flight and precision characteristics of the pilotless aircraft (buzz bombs) that were soon thereafter launched against London. Well in advance of this attack, his committee's recommendations had led also to release of a newly developed American weapon system (radar, director, influence fuze) as the best defensive answer to the threat. This defense proved highly effective, particularly so when the batteries were placed along the Channel coast where the buzz bombs were easy targets while flying horizontally over the water.

THROUGHOUT THESE experiences Nicholas worked in an environment of physical science, engineering, and mathematics, all in a context of advanced research and development in the United States and other countries. In 1946, recognized as an ingenious thinker in intelligence methods and organization, he was detached from the War Department to become a member of the original organizing nucleus of Central Intelligence, established under the National Security Council by directive of President Truman. He then served as Deputy Assistant Director of Central Intelligence until early 1948, when he was designated military attaché to Venezuela. (His wide-ranging intelligence experience had at one time included responsibility for evaluation of all intelligence from Latin America, and his competence in Spanish was a significant asset.) But his tour in Venezuela never materialized, for it was at this juncture, in 1948, that he was appointed Professor of Mathematics.

His initial position under this appointment was second professor and deputy to the then Head of the Department, William W. Bessell Jr., (USMA '20). Nicholas's appointment renewed a close professional association between the two men that had begun in the Department of Mathematics 18 years earlier. The association was now resumed in effective teamwork until 1958, when Bessell left for sabbatical studies in preparation for his appointment as Dean of the Academic Board, in the grade of brigadier general, in 1959. Nicholas then succeeded him as Head of the Department of Mathematics.

During the 1950's Nicholas had been a close observer of the international educational ferment that has subsequently become known as the Revolution in Mathematics, and in 1956 he was granted a 6-month sabbatical leave

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for study and research in the field of education. It was during this leave that he began his textbook on differential and integral calculus, convinced that the standard treatments of this subject used in colleges throughout the country were behind the times, particularly so in fundamental theory and in adaptation to effective teaching methods.

SINCE THEN his book has been developed progressively during 10 years of research and careful writing, and it is now a 1600-page treatment used as the textbook in calculus for all cadets. It is designed explicitly for the methods of instruction that distinguish USMA mathematics classes from those of nearly all other institutions (See "Mathematics and the Making of Leaders," Spring 1967 ASSEMBLY). The book treats fundamental concepts with the clarity and the sympathetic appreciation of student difficulties that characterize Nicholas's teaching methods, and at the same time it raises the treatment to the higher level of sophistication and adaptation to electronic computation required under modern conditions. A professional reviewer's report early in 1967 commented on the book as follows:

First of all, let me say that reading the text was a pleasure. The only texts which the reviewer recalls as giving comparable attention to the development of the material as well as development of the student are Courant's *Calculus I and II* and Churchill's *Introduction to Complex Variables and Applications*. The painstaking care the author has given to the choice of materials and exposition of examples is really unusual.

In comparing Nicholas's treatment with that of a well known text in calculus considered standard for the first course in many civilian colleges, the reviewer concludes that Nicholas's text "presumes a higher level of student, and aims at a much higher level of achievement." This is a tribute, of course, to the calibre of cadets now being admitted to the Military Academy, and it is borne out by the fact that, although today's USMA mathematics program is indeed aimed at a higher level of achievement, the casualty rate in mathematics has tended to decline.

By 1960 the Revolution in Mathematics had become a major preoccupation of educational leaders, and mathematical ideas that had once been considered appropriate to graduate study for a Master's degree would soon be cascading into undergraduate programs as far down as the freshman level. In order to meet this problem the colleges insisted that high school preparation would have to be stepped

he rests in Arlington National Cemetery. For a number of years Chaney had appeared to be in about the best physical condition of any of us, and it is a special shock to lose him.

Jimmie Burns is spending the month of September in Acapulco, Mexico, to which he appears to have become more or less addicted. He was raised in Pawling, New York, but never did become accustomed to cold winters, so he expects to spend most of the winter in southern Florida or the Caribbean area.

Next year we will celebrate the 60th anniversary of our graduation. It is not too early to begin to make plans and preparations for the reunion at West Point in June. Each classmate is requested to write to me at once advising me about his prospects of attending. Previously, questions posed like this in these Notes have netted one reply per question. It is hoped that everybody able to write will respond to this inquiry. Additional information about yourself and your family may be included in your letter without penalty.

'09

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"Mathy" Beere (8 Aug): "Eldest grandson has been accepted at Mich. State for the Ph.D. course in clinical psychology. Eldest granddaughter is a sophomore at Calif. Western U. Other granddaughter went this summer to a co-ed school run by Philips Exeter. As for myself, I can but won't complain."

Cliff Bluemel (18 Aug): "Fort Dix and McGuire AFB held a Founders Day in mid-March. Was invited as the oldest graduate. I told them about the activities of our time. West Point Society of Philadelphia met on 24 June at Dix. A demonstration of infantry weapons was given on the firing range. Our lunch at the officers mess was attended by candidates from the area who were about to enter West Point and who were accompanied by their fathers. A new Yearling who was present told the candidates what they might expect as Plebes. Elsie and I attended the convention of the American Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor in Philadelphia. President Marcos of the Philippine Republic was a captain in the 21st Philippine Army Division which fought on my left on the Mount Sumat Line. He is having a memorial erected in Bataan. We didn't go to West Point this year. Last year we attended the graduation of the son of Col. Edgar Wright, who served under me as an officer in the 45th Infantry, P.S." Cliff also added his objection to the proposed Japanese memorial on Guam to their men who died in the Pacific in WWII.

Tom Catron (12 Aug): "I have neither seen nor heard from classmates for a long time. Marjorie and I get along pretty much as before, at a little slower pace. We are about to set off for a couple of weeks on the Rhode Island coast. Our son Tom, wife, and child will drive us up and stay a few days. Our older daughter, Betty, will come up from Princeton and drive us back. She is assistant dean of the graduate school at Princeton. Her husband is still the corporate secretary of Mobil Oil Co. Young Tom continues as executive of the International Division of the spice and tea house of McCormick & Co. in Baltimore."

Phil Gage (5 Aug): "Any news I have must be reflected from my children and grandchildren. Phil Jr., and wife recently returned from a trip around the world. He was the

guest of Westmoreland (a classmate) in Saigon for 4 days. Betty left Atlanta about the same time for Africa, taking with her two of Phil's sons. She had to make several long detours because of the Israeli-Arab war and other disturbances. Phil's oldest son, Phil III, is studying for the priesthood. We hope to get the younger son, Bill, into West Point; he's nearly 17. I am still doing what I can in the life insurance business."

Forrest Harding (27 Aug): "Living in the provinces, our contacts with the diminishing number of promising young lieutenants are limited to rare and brief letters from a few survivors. We haven't gone further afield than Wright-Patterson AFB since Xmas. Come Labor Day, my faithful camp follower and myself plan to motor to Kalamazoo for the annual reunion of my 32d Division. The foot soldiers that I took to Australia and New Guinea for their first battle experience (and mine) still esteem me as their favorite general. Our youngest son, Buddy, USMA '41, came to the end of the road on 1 May of this year. He had been a patient for several years in the veterans hospital in Chillingham. Eleanor and I take what comfort we can in having had him with us often during his hospital stay, and in his fine record in peace and war (over 50 combat missions in WWII and 18 over Korea). He was retired for physical disability in 1953 in the grade of colonel."

Lin Herkness (5 Aug): "Carlota and I, somewhat worn, are still carrying on, as a world that seems to us 'curiouser and curiouser' passes us by."

Arnold Krogstad (14 Aug): "Life in a town of 15,000 (Tullahoma, Tenn.) is on the whole to be preferred to the larger cities. The big drawback is in getting out of the place. As I have no desire to be a traffic statistic, I mow an acre and a half of lawn every week, play or practice golf almost daily, and grow flowers, mint, peppers, and onions. Of course, I have the usual spring flowers. My son has an interest in a plane, and we do get around some. As I grow old I have a shadow (my dog), and a quite competitive golf game with men 10 years my junior. I live with my bachelor son and find something interesting in everything around."

Barney Oldfield (10 Aug): "Have seen no '09 people in years. Life goes smoothly with us. Son John is a captain of Ordnance in Vietnam. I still enjoy my job at Boeing."

Susanne Purdon (10 Aug): "I was in Washington in May visiting Betty North Clark (Dorothy's daughter). While I was there, Irene Ord had luncheon with me. In June Dorothy North visited me in Andover, and in July I went to her summer home in Maine."

Elsa Roberts (16 July): "I have received several letters since the last issue of ASSEMBLY was published. An especially nice one was from Barney Oldfield, who was my Rodney's roommate at West Point. Rodney loved our home; it is beautiful but much too large, with all the orange and other fruit trees. I hope when it gets cooler I'll be strong enough to sell or give away three-fourths of our belongings. I had a very nice note from the Secretary of AOG telling me he will send me five copies of the next ASSEMBLY."

Merl Schillerstrom (8 Aug): "My wife Gypsy had a stroke and fell, breaking her hip in November 1964. She required two operations and is now mostly bedridden. Our daughter, married to Col. C.G. Simenson '34, now lives in Boulder, Colo. We have two granddaughters—one graduated from Oberlin College in '65 with a degree in organ music and a B.A. in education. This year she received her Master's from Stanford U. and

now lives in Palo Alto. The other has completed her sophomore year at Colorado College."

Bob Sears (12 Aug): "Sorry I don't have much pleasant news. **Ed Marks** is not at all well. **Clare Partridge** is bearing up well and devotes his time to looking after Betty who is also far from well. **Gladys Lyman** spends little time in her home here; is on the go traveling and visiting relatives. **Elsa Roberts** keeps very busy looking after the large estate where she and Rodney spent so many happy years. Margo and I still enjoy good health; and our three sons, their wives, and our ten grandchildren are likewise in the pink. Three grandchildren are married but still no great-grands. Anyway, we belong to 'Planned Parenthood' of San Francisco."

From "Tups" and **Jessie Stearns** we learn that they "are thankfully doing pretty well. Tups had a long siege in Walter Reed last winter. In early spring we went by train to see our brothers and sisters. No more long auto trips. Our greatest interest is in our little family. **Frances** and **Churchill Hutton** live near us. **Powell Hutton**, the middle grandson, is an instructor at West Point. **Churchill**, the elder boy, after his tour in Vietnam, expects to be at West Point."

Claude Thummel (8 Aug): "Talked to **Edgerton '08**, a short time ago. He more or less looks after **Catherine Hughes's** affairs. Said she remains about the same. I haven't seen or talked to any of the '09 folks since February."

Bill Simpson (30 Aug): "Elinore (Mrs. **Arthur R. Underwood**) asked me to send you her new address: 603A, Tanglebriar Lane, San Antonio, Texas 78209. She says all is well with her. Her youngest son, **Andrew** (major, Inf) was badly wounded by a mine explosion in Vietnam last March. After being released from the hospital, he recovered sufficiently to be detailed as a student at Leavenworth. Her other son, **Arthur R. Jr.**, is with Hq Third Army at Fort McPherson. As for the **Simpsons**, **Ruth** and **I** are well and active. I retired from my bank job at the close of 1963. We have had several nice trips, one to Las Vegas for a week as the guest of a WWI buddy. We have visited New York a couple of times, once for my appearance on the 'Today Show' with **Cornelius Ryan**, author of the book *The Last Battle*, which covers activities of my Ninth Army during the closing days of WWII. We also had a grand trip to Hollywood as guests of MGM, which is planning a movie of that book. **Ruth** and **I** and the **Ryans** were guests of honor at a reception for over 500 people (mostly movie stars) at the Beverly Wilshire. Last fall she and I celebrated our 45th anniversary by giving a reception and buffet dinner for over 350 of our friends at the Fort Sam Houston Officers Club. We wished that all our '09 classmates and their wives could have been with us."

"Admiral **Joe Plassmeyer** spent the past winter at the Menger Hotel in San Antonio, returning to his Missouri farm in April. We had many very pleasant visits with him. Our daughter **Ruthjean** and her three small children spent a year with us here while her husband, **Maj. Jerome S. Vincent**, Ordnance Corps, was on duty in Vietnam. They are now stationed at Fort Bragg, where we plan to visit them soon."

Edwin and **Kay Van Deusen** (15 Aug)—Says E.R.: "At 81 I move at the 'Field Officers' Gallop' pace, known to us Stone-Age Cavalrymen as a 'Slow Walk.' I still play golf, using an electric cart—9 holes, five days a week. Score: 45-50. As for our progeny: **Edwin R. '46**, just back from three years in

Europe and on duty in Washington; **Fredrick F. '53**, now assigned in Washington; **Kathryn** (**Kitsy**) Westmoreland, now living at Clark Field, P.I."

From **Ying Wen's** oldest son, **Dr. Henry Wen**, we have the following report on the Wen family: "My father's health is about the same. He is still at Sylvan Manor, a nursing home in Silver Springs, Md. Mail should be addressed to **Ying** at 8211 15th Place, Hyattsville, Md." Henry is a project engineer with Fairchild-Hiller Corp, Bay Shore, Long Island, N.Y. He retains his home address at 424 Henry St., Hasbrouck Heights, N.J. 07-604. He tells us that his brother **Patrick** has been promoted to major general in the Chinese Nationalist Army and is serving in the office of the Secretary of Defense, Taipei, Formosa. Another brother, **Victor**, is chairman of the Chinese Language Dept., Language Institute, Monterey, Calif.

Gilbert Wilkes (18 Aug): "Both **Lucy** and **I** have had physical breakdowns. **Lucy** had been visiting our son **Lucian** in Pittsburgh and remained there until she recuperated. Shortly after **Lucy** left I had a minor motor accident, so I sold our car and house, and relocated near the center of Mount Pleasant, close to public transportation and other requirements. We are getting along nicely in our new home."

Effie and **George Van Deusen** have moved into a cottage at 14 Beach Road, Monmouth Beach, N.J. 07750. This small community is located on the Jersey coast between Sea Bright and North Long Branch. It is guarded by jetties and sea walls, planned prior to WWI by Lt. **Herkness CE**. **Effie's** mother, **Mabel Baker**, has been for 4 years a patient in the Wickatunk Private Nursing Home, Wickatunk, N.J., where **Effie** visits her daily. She is bedridden and appreciates picture postcards.

I quote the following from **Irene Ord** who writes from Washington, D.C.: "The '09 widows don't seem to do anything exciting nowadays. **Anne Briscoe** is moving near West Point to be near her son who is on duty there. **Peggy Milling** has been visiting in La Jolla, Calif. **Ethel Wright** has been visiting her sister in Great Barrington, Mass. **Betty Fuller** lives alone. I get a note from her occasionally. I had lunch with **Emmeline Eichelberger** this week. She seems lonely; I guess we all are. Living at Distaff Hall is plenty disappointing... **Mrs. Mountford** is slowly recovering. Our son **Ned** is doing wonderfully well as a lawyer with the Justice Dept. He's in the Tax Division and handles cases involving millions of dollars."

It is my sad duty to have to report the death of our "Red" **Gee**. He died on 9 Sept at the home of his son in Erie, Pa.

'10

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George Clark, a long-time and enthusiastic member of the West Point Association of Graduates, reported a well attended 1967 USMA Founders Day dinner held in the Chicago area at the Union League Club. A good time was had by all. In the photograph of the head table, from left to right, are: **Gen. Bill Wilbur**, **Gen. Henry Westphalinger**, **Gen. Max Taylor**, principal speaker of the evening, **Gen. Bob Wood**, and our **George Clark**. **George** (82) says he finds that members of 1910 are increasing both in age and in rank which gave him the pleasure of sitting next to **Gen. Wood** at this dinner party.

up correspondingly. **Nicholas** foresaw that an authoritative source of consultation on these trends would be the Mathematical Association of America's Committee on the Undergraduate Program in Mathematics, charged with a nationwide study of how to upgrade college programs in mathematics. Establishing early and close liaison with that Committee, he was able, with the cooperation of its leaders, to determine two years in advance of their definitive 1962 report what would be the mathematics sequence recommended for all undergraduates in physical science and engineering. The Military Academy had already made significant progress toward this goal as a result of earlier research by the Department of Mathematics, and in 1960 **Nicholas** initiated a sequence of pre-planned annual changes designed to keep USMA well in the vanguard nationally. The problem was essentially that of introducing new, higher content while eliminating content at the bottom college level as rapidly as the high schools could be expected to take it over. In addition, as chairman of the Academy's Admissions Committee he recommended and won approval of changes in admission standards that would assure adequate preparation of candidates at a yearly rising level appropriate to the changes.

The changes were rapid, amounting in one year to elimination of almost 15 per cent from the lower level and the introduction of a corresponding amount of new content from above. Meanwhile, these operations had to be integrated with the existing programs in such a way as to forestall discontinuities and to maintain coordination with the courses in other USMA departments. At the same time, a yearly influx of new instructors had to be trained to teach annually changing courses, while maintaining the classroom instruction at a consistently high level of quality.

THE TOTAL evolution was accomplished smoothly over a seven-year period. The depth and extent of the transformation is perhaps best indicated by the fact that all cadets now begin calculus by the end of September of their plebe year. Calculus is coordinated with a vector treatment of analytic geometry, for which all prerequisite trigonometry and algebra must be completed in high school. The entire mathematics program is sequentially integrated, including an early introduction to numerical analysis suitable for electronic computation, followed by a sequence of major computer exercises based on algorithms developed in *Nicholas's Calculus*. The plebe spring semester carries the cadets through a full introduction to integral calculus, and includes also a 3-

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semester-hour course in linear algebra with applications to linear programming. In the latter course the cadet receives his introduction to matrix algebra and vector spaces, and in the linear programming he studies a technique that is essential in modern problems of economical allocation of military resources. The yearling year completes integral calculus late in the fall, and then gives all cadets a 2-semester-hour course in differential equations, extending the 1-semester-hour of differential equations previously studied during plebe calculus. The program is then completed in the yearling spring semester with a 3-semester-hour course in probability theory and statistical inference, at a level requiring integral calculus as a prerequisite.

The foregoing outline describes the Standard Program, i.e., the requirement in mathematics that every cadet must satisfy in order to graduate. At three ascending levels above this there are also Advanced Programs given to cadets whose previous work in college-level mathematics or whose exceptional aptitude enables them to gain time by validation of previous work combined with acceleration. The highest advanced program allows a significant group in each Class (40 to 60 cadets annually) to complete the entire standard requirement by the end of the plebe year, to include an advanced course in linear algebra and linear programming above the standard level. They are then free to choose electives totaling eight semester hours in the time ordinarily devoted to yearling mathematics. From 200 to 250 additional cadets complete advanced programs at the next two levels below the top. In effect, every cadet is able to proceed as far and as fast as his preparation permits, with substantial savings in time for advanced courses and freely chosen electives.

The elective offerings in mathematics are: Advanced Linear Algebra and Linear Programming, Abstract Algebra, Advanced Calculus I (multivariable vector calculus), Intermediate Differential Equations, Advanced Calculus II (complex variables), Numerical Analysis With Digital Computation, and Real Variable Theory.

THE DEVELOPMENT of these programs during the past seven years has been matched by corresponding advances in instructor-training, in which the entire department is brought to expertness in Nicholas's teaching methods and philosophy. He emphasizes that the precision of mathematics and its communication of abstract thought constitute an intellectual discipline of special importance in developing the mental qualities and attributes that cadets must acquire in order to become successful regular officers. His educational



1910: Our George Clark (right) at the Founders Day dinner in Chicago.

Esther Polk flew to Europe about the first of September to visit her son and his family, Gen. James H. Polk, Commander-in-Chief USAREUR. She plans to meet her sister, Polly Blunt, later on and return with her to Washington.

News from Guy Chipman and Ducky Reinhardt report "all's well" with 1910'ers in the San Antonio area. Ducky had an eye cataract removed and some "old-man" surgery earlier this year, but is now his old self again. Paid a month's visit to Vancouver, British Columbia, with his daughter in August and is looking forward to the ARMY-Southern Methodist game in Dallas on 13 October.

My San Francisco correspondent, Jane Drake, has had cataract eye trouble, and I miss her newsy letters very much. Following her stay in the hospital and recovery home, I understand through round-about information, that Jane is now back in San Francisco getting settled in her apartment. I hope to hear from her soon.

We regret to report the death of one of our outstanding classmates, Ken Harmon, at the naval hospital in San Diego, Calif., on 19 June where he had been undergoing treatment since October 1966. Graveside services with full military honors were held in the Santa Fe National Cemetery, N.Mex., on 26 June 1967. Kenneth's nephew, Maj. Gen. John Honeycutt, commanding DASA, with Hq at Sandia Base, made the arrangements, and everything was beautifully done. Kenneth's oldest sister, Margaret (Mrs. Francis W. Honeycutt) who lives in Kensington, Md., attended the funeral.

Four children survive: Dr. Kenneth M. Harmon, Claremont, Calif.; Mrs. Margaret Sutliff, Kodiak, Alaska; Mrs. Barbara Johnson, San Mateo, Calif.; and Mrs. Mary Brooks, Trumbull, Conn. His first wife, Edity T. Harmon, lives in Palo Alto, Calif. Kenneth's other sister, Mrs. John W. Lang, lives in Washington, D.C.

Rowenah has returned to their old home in the mountains north of San Francisco near Avery, Calif. 95224, Box 157, where she plans to live for the present.

We are also very sad to tell you that Mildred March Millikin passed away on 17 July 1967, at Walter Reed Hospital after a long illness. Graveside services were held in Arlington National Cemetery on 20 July. Mildred is survived by her sister, Mrs. Joseph M. Swing, of San Francisco; her son, Col. John Millikin Jr., on duty in the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D.C., and three grandchildren. John has given up their old home on Ramsgate Road,

NW., in Washington and moved to the River House, Apartment 1102A, 1400 South Joyce Street, Arlington, Va. In this new location, John will be only about 15 minutes by car from where his son lives in Virginia.

Julia and P.D. Uhl are very happy these days to have their daughter, Mrs. Edward Girard, and family living back in Washington again after their 2-year sojourn in France. They find that two years' growth has made a great difference in the looks of their three young grandsons.

Pappy Selleck has now had his second cataract operation and is eagerly looking forward to getting his final new glasses adjusted to both eyes. In the meantime, Pappy is enjoying his leisurely life in a very comfortable retirement home. A few of us 1910'ers helped Pappy celebrate his birthday at luncheon last summer. Pappy told us that some of his friends at the home had staged quite a birthday party for him the preceding evening.

Fred Carrithers has taken to the use of the typewriter, by the "hunt and peck" system, as he calls it. He does very well with it, and I am thinking seriously of taking it up. Fred reports that with a little assistance from his doctor he is doing all right. However, Gertrude's eyes did not respond very well from a double cataract operation some time ago, and this restricts her activities very much. The best wishes of all members of 1910 to you both for your grand spirit.

Margy and Fritz Strong spent a short vacation in the Blue Ridge Mountains early in September. They called us one evening and drove down to Washington on a shopping trip. Kay and I met them for luncheon at the Army-Navy Club and had a delightful visit. They are both fine. Fritz keeps very busy with important civic affairs in his home town, work which is good for him and for the town.

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Of the Washington group, the Bradfords during the summer spent a month at Rye Beach, N.H., the Wheelers were at their place in West Virginia, and the Morrises were at the Monmouth Hotel, Spring Lake Beach, N.J. Polly Blunt had sold her Bethesda house and moved to an apartment in the Kennedy-Warren, 3133 Connecticut Ave., NW., 20008. She was planning a late summer visit in New Hampshire with our newlyweds, Col. and Mrs. Basil Lang. Then she

was sailing on 8 September for a month or so in Europe and a visit to Heidelberg where she was to stay with Gen. James H. Polk, USMA '33, and his family.

Trudi Calvert wishes to correct her address. Make it 3700 Belle Vista Drive, St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. 33706. Margaret and Jimmie Crawford were to take off by air on 6 September for a trip to Europe. Going with an Army-Navy Club group, they were to visit England, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, and France, returning 12 October.

Ivo Dickinson, who lives at Chico, Calif., 75 miles north of Sacramento, during the summer was enjoying the family cabin on Lake O'-the-Woods near Klamath Falls, Ore. With her son and his family, there had been trips to Crater Lake and other scenic spots in Oregon and northern California. Maude Ellen Foster in July had a bad fall near her home in Laconia, N.H., suffered an injury to the second vertebra, and was hospitalized. In late August she was able to be driven to her 90-year-old brother's home in Norway, Maine. She is planning to return to her Laconia apartment at the end of September, and she would appreciate hearing from Sid's old friends.

Fred Gilbreath writes of seeing Erna Johns who also lives in Austin. He enclosed a clipping from the Corpus Christi Times covering a report from Madrid where Col. Glover S. Johns Jr., who had been U.S. Defense attaché and Army attaché to Spain for the past 3 years, was awarded the Spanish White Cross for military merit. Col. Johns, former Comdt at V.M.I., has had a distinguished career. His unit in July 1944 was involved in the seizure of St. Lo, France, Glover receiving the Silver Star for his part in that action. In 1961, he was the center of world attention when he was selected by the President to lead a task force to strengthen the Berlin garrison, crossing 110 miles of hostile territory to reach the city. He was recently retired after 30 years' service.

Jeanette Hardigg tells of a spring visit to Trinity College in Washington where her daughter is a student. Later, she spent some weeks in Mexico, returning in April to her home, "Colonel's Vantage," built by our classmate above the Ohio River, near Madison, Ind. At that time she was planning a trip to Sydney, with South Seas and Far East stops before returning via San Francisco in October.

In July, Jo Hoisington was en route to Washington to babysit with her daughter's four children so that Nancy could fly to Honolulu to meet her husband, Col. Charles R. Smith, USMA '50, who was on a 5-day leave from Vietnam. Kitty and Harry Kutz in June attended the National Sojourners Convention in Memphis, and were to spend September and October in Waynesville, N.C., in the Great Smokey Mountain region—their 19th consecutive annual visit to that lovely area.

It is a personal pleasure for your Scribe to announce to his classmates the marriage on 30 August past of our Joe McNeal to Miss Ellen Marie Staal in Mount Vernon, Ohio, where he has lived for many years. They will reside at 304 Venedale Drive in Mount Vernon. The best of good wishes, Joe, to you and Ellen from us all.

The death of Anne Lee Waller occurred last July in Washington. Known in our earlier days as Anne Lee Surlles, she married Wilmer J. Waller of Washington in 1951. Active as a Red Cross Gray Lady in WWII, she also did volunteer work for the Wash-

ington Cathedral Building Fund. Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons, Maj. Gen. A.D. Surlles Jr., and William G. Surlles of Silver Springs, 3 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. Many will fondly remember Anne Lee's mother, Mrs. Gaines of Eagle Pass, Tex.

Marjorie Walker in July was visiting her son and family in Chula Vista, south of San Diego. She reports that her son-in-law, Col. John B.R. (Randy) Hines, USMA '37, former Alumni Secretary and now retired and on duty at The Citadel, has purchased the former home of Gen. Johnson Hagood, USMA '96, in Charleston.

With deep sorrow, I must report the death of another 1911 stalwart, James R.N. Weaver, of a heart attack at his California home in Menlo Park on 29 August. He and Mollie had attended another cheery monthly gathering of the Bay Area classmates only 12 days before. Jim was one of two 1911 men who went through the Bataan surrender and the following imprisonment. The other was Harrison Richards. Gen. Weaver's decorations included the DSM, the DSC, and the Silver Star. Memorial services were held at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Menlo Park on 31 August, and graveside services the following day at the national cemetery at the Presidio. Survivors include his wife, Mary Pontius Weaver, a son, Col. James R. Weaver, a daughter, Marian Weaver, all of Menlo Park or vicinity, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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The following enjoyed our 55th Reunion: Arnolds, Bennions, Chynoweth, Crane, Deuels, Drake, Flynn, Greenwald, Hausers, Malonys, Lindt, Littlejohn, Rose, Snow, Spaldings (S.P.), Wilburs, and Abigail Wood.

Ham Haislip was elected class president. Hauser raises the question of turning our class file over to the Association of Graduates. It seems to me that the president can decide to do this if he feels it impracticable for him to retain custody. Any disagreement?

Swede Anderson is reported doing better, but he cannot drive a car. Anne is well. This report came from their grandson, who followed his dad into the Navy.

Arch and Marg Arnold have been running open house at Cranberry Lake, New York. Arch complains that he has not yet achieved his lifetime goal of shooting his age in golf, but is still trying.

Herb Barbur is still running his insurance business. Vesta is not so well. In July they had a fine tour of Pebble Beach and Carmel in Mary Hobson's car. Best vacation they ever had, says Herb.

Howard Bennion and Marian toured and visited friends in New York, Vermont, and Massachusetts after the reunion. They are now back in Salt Lake City.

Burphy and Jess Brown are in residence, in fairly good shape, says he.

Red Crawford sent me what he called a short "one-eyed" scrawl of reminiscence, in reply to my report on the reunion, in which I mentioned Post No. 8 in old summer camp. Seems he got skinned there by Willie Pickles. Also mentioned that Charlie the barber got most of the plebe salutes intended for our worthy chaplain.

Leonard and Margaret Barrett are doing well, considering. He sold his cars. Can't drive any more. He challenges Red Craw-

philosophy has been stated articulately in several of his articles in professional journals, and one of them ("The Cadet and the Orbit," Fall 1959 ASSEMBLY) was the subject of editorial comment by Sylvan Meyer (editor of the *Daily Times* of Gainesville, Georgia) in terms that epitomize the educational impact. Meyer wrote that Nicholas is not only a teacher but "a philosopher in the field of education and a remarkably lucid writer," and then commented:

What he says of math education should apply not only to the future military officer but to just about everyone who looks ahead to responsibility in this world.

Continuing largely with quotations from Nicholas's article, Meyer explains how the cadet learns the orbit equation and is guided along a line of reasoning which is essentially that used by Newton in solving the orbit (gravitational forces) problem for the first time in history. He then adds the following direct quotations from Nicholas's article:

The educational value of the problem is manifold. Foremost is military applicability . . . beyond this, the problem is rich in mathematical education *per se* . . . it forces the cadet to bring together widely separated topical details in a comprehensive exercise of pure reasoning, with important physical interpretation at every step. . . . If the Space Age has brought its new forms of military and political terror, it has brought also from the citadel of astronomy into the domain of general education a story which few students will fail to regard as dramatic. .

Meyer then quotes Nicholas's closing point:

Although the cadet does not discover these laws, as Newton did, nor invent the calculus, as Newton did, still the fact that he shares with Newton the same process of abstraction and logical reasoning is an educational experience of first magnitude. It develops concepts in his mind that will not vanish during his days on earth; and it prepares his mind to think fundamentally on some military problem of the future, under circumstances that no man can foresee.

The treatment of the orbit problem referred to in this summary appears in Chapter 6 of Nicholas's *Calculus*. Sylvan Meyer concludes his editorial: "What a remarkable challenge this military teacher poses to the searching, open minds of young people! I wish I could go to school with him."

Down the Field

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games in that crowded weekend, did not attract too many. The Virginia game drew 28,000, the largest opening day crowd in ARMY history. The Boston College and Duke games were sell-outs as are the Rutgers, Stanford, and Air Force games, the next three on the schedule. The Utah game at West Point should be a sellout; the one against Pitt could be, and, as usual, there are no tickets left for the Navy game.

Three Teams Unbeaten

While the varsity footballers were 3-1 after four games, ARMY's other three fall varsity units passed the mid-October mark without a loss.

Cross-country had racked up eight straight wins with three dual meets, the Heptagonals, and the IC4A meet remaining. Coach Carleton Crowell welcomed the talent the new Yearlings brought to his squad of experienced harrriers, and blanking Syracuse for win number eight satisfied him that he had both strength and depth. In that meet ARMY runners took the first ten places.

First Classmen Greg Camp, Jon Nolan, and Bob McDonald, all well-known to ARMY track fans, were joined by Jim Lucas '69 and Nick Sebastian '70 in the first five spots. Among the other promising runners are: Bruce Helmich '69, Barney King '69, and Jim Kee '70.

Quarterback Jim Bevis '69 and end Harry Hayes '68 supplied the offensive punch as Coach Eric Tipton's 150-lb. football team began the defense of its Eastern title with almost identical wins over Princeton (42-8) and Rutgers (42-15). The lightweight gridders rolled up 518 yards from scrimmage against Princeton and picked up one of their touchdowns on a 79-yard punt return by Terry Stickler '69. A 42-yard pass interception by Brian Wells '69 accounted for one of six scores against Rutgers. The game against Rutgers was in sharp contrast to the defensive contest of a year ago when ARMY managed to win, 4-0—on two safeties.

Coach Joe Palone sees his current soccer team as one of the best he has ever handled. His booters came through their first five games undefeated while holding their opponents to just three goals.

Matt Fleumer, a Yearling from Bloomfield, N.J., set a new scoring record when he booted six goals in his varsity debut. His six, plus six more, swamped the Merchant Marine Academy, 12-0, and equalled ARMY's single game output, posted in the 12-0 win over Seton Hall in 1965.

Six players figured in the scoring as Yale became ARMY's second victim. The score was 6-1, a much more rewarding result than the 1966 2-2 deadlock.

Fleumer added two more in the 7-1 defeat of Colgate, and ran his season



1912: Our 55th reunion group assembled in the 1912 Room of the USMA Library. Right to left (seated): Lindt, Littlejohn, Chynoweth, Snow, Nora Deuel, Larry Wilbur, Marg Arnold, Charlotte Hauser, Dot Malony, Abigail Wood. Standing: Marian Bennion, Arnold, Hauser, Malony, Wilbur, Drake, Deuel, Bennion, Greenwald, Rose. Absent when photo was taken: Crane, Flynn, Spalding S.P.

ford's report on Charlie Au. Says the chaplain never rated a salute.

Charlie Drake complains that I am rushing him for a report too soon after reunion, from which he rested up by going motor boating and fishing in Connecticut. Caught only bluegill and catfish instead of smallmouth bass which he was after. In Washington, says he sees Critt quite often: "Same old Critt, full of bounce, vigor, vitality, and go-get-em!"

Elizabeth Edwards planned, at Eastertime, to send a tribute to Tom Hayes, for our Class Room, but was suddenly stricken with a coronary. She is now much better and sends greetings.

Karl Greenwald congratulated me on my 77th birthday which I call a back-handed compliment! Same to you, Karl!

Thorne Deuel reports, almost too late to catch this mail, that he survived the reunion which he greatly enjoyed. Wishes everybody had been there.

Ham Haislip is reported by Johnny Hauser in process of installation as class president.

Johnny Hauser and Charlotte have enjoyed several visits to their beach cottage, two hours from home. He is gradually regaining weight lost at the reunion and is helping Ham take over. Sent him a complete class roster. Sends greetings.

Lyde Henry wishes she could have been at our 55th. So enjoyed the 50th. She had a stay in hospital, but was hoping to return shortly to her mountain home.

Hobbs, Edna, my sister, is always interested in 1912.

Mary Hobson reports a wonderful visit in Carmel Valley where she basked in sunshine (Pebble Beach is foggy in summer).

Hiram Lindt is still keeping class finances in shape. He reports that his legs are not what they used to be. I thought that they did very well at the reunion. He regrets that we have had no class historian to replace Bun Hobson.

Littlejohn. John reports that he still has ailments which prevent him from traveling. He enjoys the local meetings in Washington, and hopes that they will continue. Also a class roster.

Maxwell. Katherine reports that Maxie retains his interest in 1912, but is restricted to a wheelchair and cannot get around much. Welcomes visitors.

Bill Nalle writes that Lucy has been quite ill this year, and he has held little correspondence. He regretted inability to attend our 55th Reunion. Sends greetings.

Lottie Paules enjoyed hearing of the 55th, as she so happily remembers the 50th Reunion. She has moved to Briarwood 394, 3500 W. Manchester Blvd., Inglewood, Calif. 90305.

Cy Phelan reports that he and Alice are beginning to slow down. They have put their house on the market. When sold, they plan to move next door to their daughter Julie Ann's, in Alfred, Maine. A long hop, Cy! They hope to stop at West Point, en route.

Read. Burton and Sadie enjoyed hearing of the 55th Reunion, and wish they could have attended. Sadie reports that he is doing fine now, after a 70-day hospital stay.

Buddy Rose wrote me in August from his new home, Star Route 102A, Mineral Wells, Texas (next door to daughter Mary Briggs). Says he is a Texan, now. Plenty hot, but his house is air-conditioned. Says to come visit.

Alice and Ike Spalding spent the summer in Boulder, Colo. This was their 20th year at the Colorado Chataugua. They returned to San Antonio on 1 September. Enjoyed hearing about the 55th Reunion.

Frank Mallon. His sister informed me that he is in good shape. When I phoned, he had driven in to the city (SF).

Summary: One commentator wrote me: "Did you notice at Alumni Parade how uncomfortably near the head of the column we were?" I refer him to d'Alary's favorite poem: "The last leaf upon the tree." We are indeed infirm in legs, eyes, ears, and even memory! The full cup of life is nearly drained. But the bitter dregs can be the sweetest draught of all. This was a foremost lesson in our cultural heritage—from prophets, poets, leaders, and athletic coaches. "Sweet are the uses of adversity." It is a credit to West Point that at our reunions we give first honor to the Oldest Grad. So let's step up towards the head of the line and look Father Time right in the face!

We have made a fairly good start in preparing for our 55th Reunion. Joe Viner and Bug Oliver are taking charge of the preparations and expect to meet at the Homecoming game against Stanford and make final preparations for the big event. I wish to thank all classmates for their prompt response in answering our query concerning attendance at the reunion next June. I am deeply grateful to those who took the time to include nice notes about themselves and their family. I sent each member of the Class a notice showing that a total of about 32 classmates, wives, and widows contemplated attending the reunion. Since that notice two others have notified us that they expect to make it.

Several of the Class enumerated lists of ailments such as fallen arches and simple arthritis as their excuses for not making the party next June. On the other hand, we received a letter from Bernard Manning, attorney-at-law, Columbia, S.C., saying, "I regret to have to inform you that my father and mother, Wyndham and Laura Manning, will not be able to attend the reunion planned for next June. Dad has been ill for some time and is now in a nursing home in Columbia. Mother is in good health. She asked me to send their regards and best wishes, and, of course, their regrets that they will be unable to join you."

A note from Marilyn Lovell said: "My father, Col. George E. Lovell, asked me to drop you a note of regret regarding the class reunion in June of 1968. He is not able to write as he is pretty well crippled with arthritis and is also confined to bed most of the time. He only goes out on occasional visits to the doctors, and, although it's quite an effort for him, he still tries to take a short daily walk inside the nursing home. He keeps up with everything that is going on, however, and does regret not being able to see or correspond with classmates and friends. He sends his best wishes to you and all the Class of 1913."

Charity McMahon of 13710 Beaumont, Avenue, Saratoga, Calif. 95070, wrote: "Jack's physical condition is such that there is no chance that we will be able to attend his 55th Reunion. Although he is still on his feet, it is impossible to contemplate any kind of travel."

Now there are some real excuses for not showing up. However, if the two loving wives and the faithful daughter will bring the invalids to West Point, we will organize a "wheel-chair brigade" to take care of them.

Bones Kimmel writes: "Lucile has arthritis and has great difficulty in walking. As for me I have a multitude of ailments so that about all I can do is hang on for dear life. This I have succeeded in doing to my own amazement while others far more healthy have crossed into the Great Beyond."

The most disheartening letter I received came from Moose Ardrey. He wrote: "Count me out for the 55th Reunion. I hate to go up their hobbling around with a cane as I am doing now." Think of that! Why, when I was in London in 1922-26 all the men who were "somebody," carried a walking cane, and those that could afford it carried an umbrella as well! Moose complains of rheumatism, which is again very discouraging. With four years at West Point he doesn't even know that educated people no longer have rheumatism. Now it is always arthritis. His letter went on to say: "What I want to know

is, who let you and Louis Craig into the North Carolina branch of the Society of Cincinnati? I don't know what the Society of Cincinnati is, but we don't like 'ferriners' down there. Won't they let you into the Texas branch? We are kind a particular whom we associate with down in the 'Good Old North State.'" It just goes to show how difficult it is to educate a real Tarheel. I explained to Moose that my people all originated in North Carolina and that the woods are still full of Davidsons down there. The smarter ones, however, moved to Texas as soon as they had the means to make the move.

I have never been to a class reunion when Moose and Mildred were not there and am hoping they will change their decision before next June. Archie Dorst (God bless him!) our West Coast representative, writes that Eloise Considine dropped in for a chat and was in great form. Archie added that Dave Falk was going into Letterman hospital for an operation. The doctors suspected something wrong with his plumbing. In a later note, Archie said that Dave came through the operation successfully and was expecting to go home within a few days. Archie had talked with Major Underhill and found him alert and cheerful; the same for Jean and Bob Van Volkenburgh. He said they are doing well but live "circumspectly," whatever that means.

Archie says he will be at the reunion but Catherine won't. She is secretary of the Class of 1918 of the University of California and is organizing their 50th Reunion. My sympathies to Catherine.

A note from Connie Wash says: "Now I really do think I may be able to join 1913 for at least one formation. I'll be in that part of the world for Connie Jr.'s graduation from Vassar—followed immediately by her wedding in New Hampshire to a 'perfect gent'! Harvard '67, and the gorgeous looking son of one of Pat's closest friends." We are all looking forward to seeing you, Connie, and bring Connie Junior with you and introduce her to the Class. Bring the boy, too, if he's available.

Joe Viner sent me a letter from Bill and Gertrude Rosevear dated 22 July 1967, that describes a 17,000-mile trip they had just completed. They visited Alaska, Japan, Hong Kong, and back to Edenton, N.C., via Seattle and Norfolk. They experienced a slight earthquake in Fairbanks, Alaska, but that didn't prevent them from attending the annual midnight baseball game, played on 21 June when the sun never sets in Fairbanks.

To all the doubtful ones, here's hoping you will reassess your chances of making the trip to West Point and show up at the 55th Reunion. Remember what the poet wrote:

*Age is a quality of mind.
If you've left your dreams behind,
If hope is cold,
If you no longer plan ahead,
If ambition's fires are dead,
Why, then you are old.*

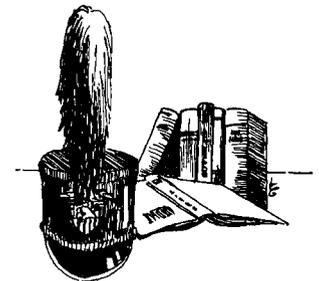
Eva and I are off on 17 September for a trip to East Africa to have a look at the wild animals.

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

total to 12 in victories over Rider (8-1) and Penn State (7-0). Joining Fleumer to give ARMY its scoring punch was Coach Palone's son, Mike, a First Classman. Like all successful coaches, Palone gives as much credit to the defense as he does to the attack; three goals in five games is proof of their effectiveness.

Sports Briefs

John Throckmorton Jr., the new First Captain, is captain of the 1967 lightweight (150-lb.) football team where he is an offensive tackle. . . Lacrosse coach Jim Adams and wrestling Coach Leroy Alitz ran clinics in August at Storm King School in Cornwall on the Hudson. . . Baseball coach Eric Tipton played left field for the St. Paul Saints in an Old Timers game in Minneapolis. . . Tipton's team beat the Minneapolis Millers in an exhibition game before a Twins-Detroit game. . . Football captain Bud Neswiacheny and outdoor track captain Dan Seebart commanded the two yearling battalions at Camp Buckner during the summer. . . Mike Silliman, all-America basketballer in 1966, continues to play in the international circuit. After playing on the gold-medal-winning team in the Pan-American Games in Canada, he went on to play in the World Student Games in Tokyo. . . Other gold medal winners at the Pan-Am Games were baseballers Kenny Smith '67 and Barry DeBolt '66. Kenny played shortstop, and Barry saw action as a relief pitcher for the U.S. team. . . Plebe tennis coach, Herb FitzGibbon, was second in the Pan-American tennis competition.



Even before beginning this class letter, I know that it will be the saddest I have ever written, and it will probably be one of the shortest.

All 1914 classmates and class widows, and all former members of 1914 who later graduated in other classes, have received Brand's letter of 21 August, containing the sad news of the death of our class president, Jim (Maj. Gen. James B.) Cress, of cancer at Palo Alto on 27 July 1967; and of our class chaplain, Johnnie (Rev. John P., S.J.) Markoe, on the preceding day, 26 July, of a heart attack, at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebr.

Of course, in his letter, Brand could give only the bare news of these tragic losses, and both Jim Cress and Johnnie Markoe doubtless have many friends in other classes who have not heard the news. I have considered it advisable to devote most of this letter to this subject, adding some details.

Jim Cress was supposed to send me a letter for inclusion in the spring issue of ASSEMBLY, but wrote me in advance that he and Eleanor were going to England and Europe by plane, the trip to culminate in their attendance at the Rotary International Convention at Nice, France; and he would therefore delay his letter to the next issue. On 26 May, his letter, written by Eleanor for Jim, was mailed, and I included it in my class letter for the summer issue. Of course, I had no knowledge of Jim's serious condition, nor did Eleanor.

Jim was pretty uncomfortable while abroad. After returning to Palo Alto, he entered Letterman Army Hospital on 1 June, and took all kinds of tests. A biopsy showed a malignant condition near the base of the spine. It was found to be inoperable, so he was transferred to the Stanford Hospital in Palo Alto on 3 June, so as to be near home and under the care of his regular physician. All the doctor could do was to keep him comfortable and out of pain. The end came on 27 July, and a beautiful and impressive funeral service was held in Palo Alto on 29 July, followed by interment, with a graveside service, in the West Point Cemetery. It would be banal to try to express how much this loss means to Jim's many classmates, class widows, and friends.

The death of dear old Johnnie Markoe, while not so unexpected, still came as a shock and brought a sense of personal loss to all of us. As we all knew, poor Johnnie has been "living on borrowed time" for years, with a serious heart condition. He had to retire from his work as professor of mathematics at Creighton University several years ago. I think it was wonderful that in spite of his condition he was able, by sheer will power, to attend our 45th and 50th Reunions, where he was so happy. Also, I am so glad that he lived to celebrate his golden jubilee of his entrance into the Society of Jesus (Jesuit Order) in 1917, and that Charlie Gross, Johnnie's closest friend in 1914, was on hand to represent the Class. Johnnie Markoe lived a very useful and triumphant life, and the Class has reason to feel very proud of him and of Jim Cress.

So, in the short space of two July days, we have lost two of the finest men in 1914. As to Johnnie Markoe, anyone desiring to send a letter of condolence should write to his brother, also a Jesuit priest, whose address is: Rev. William Markoe S.J., Marquette

University, 615 North 11th St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53233.

In closing, I know I express the appreciation of the entire Class for the unselfishness and devotion to 1914 of Brand which he has shown in assuming the additional duties as acting president of the Class.

These Notes were air-mailed to West Point to meet the 11 September deadline. Today, 13 September, the following news letter was received from Charlie Gross. It is not the kind of news that can be held for the winter, 1968 issue, so I'm sending it in for publication in this issue. Perhaps it will give us all a "lift." Charlie wrote:

"Dear John:

The Whittens, Rud and Win, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 9 September in the foyer and ballroom of the Officers Club at West Point, with cocktails, dinner and dance.

"It was the liveliest Golden Jubilee I have ever attended. I've never seen so many white-haired people on a dance floor before.

"1914 was there in strength—the Whittens, of course, the Grosses, Freddy Herr, Helen Hogan, and Louise Byrom.

My best, Charlie."

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This is the dull season. No Founders Day gatherings, June Week and Graduation already reported, football season not yet started, and a bunch of arthritic old crocks who have forgotten how to write. But anyhow, here's the news.

From Omar Bradley: "I had to miss our June class luncheon and now shall pay the penalty! The group, including Ike, appointed me as chairman of our 55th class reunion committee. Other members: Boye (ex-officio), Jack Davis, Det Ellis, Vernon Evans, Tom Larkin, and Hume Peabody.

"Kitty and I volunteered to go to Vietnam under the auspices of *Look* magazine, with an article to follow. That is the only way we could go together, and Kitty wouldn't let me go alone! (Total remuneration to go to the USO.) We thought it might help the youngsters to see a much older soldier show an interest in them. Wherever we find them, in the hospitals, rear areas, and up front, Kitty will talk with as many of the GI's as possible, and will then communicate with every parent when we return." (Look for *Look*, gents. This ought to be good.)

From Jack Davis: "I saw Bobby Strong in the Pentagon yesterday (or perhaps I should say, Maj. Gen. Robert W. Strong Jr.) and I want to tell you he is just about the best looking major general in all the Services. Says the family is well and just returned from Canada. Saw Joe Swing at Mildred Milliken's funeral, but didn't have much of a chance to talk to him." (Jack didn't mention how Joe looked or felt, so I guess he was still warm and breathing.)

Ike told his granddaughter, Anne, and 64 classmates who were graduating from the fashionable Shipley School for Girls, that "ankles are nearly always neat and good looking, but knees are nearly always not." The girls giggled and pulled at their mini skirts, but their knees remained in evidence.

I wonder where Ike got his idea. Please write and let me know if you are an ankle man or a knee man, and I'll tell you how old you are.

From Benny Ferris: "Recent word to me from Orlando informs me that Lev Williams

has had surgery for an aneurysm of the stomach aorta. He came through surgery in fine shape. Apparently all it going well with Lev with a full recovery in the near future.

From Gibby Gibson: "No news these days except war news. Not only war in Korea, Vietnam, and Israel, but war on pollution, on poverty, on crime, etc."

But Gibby did like the poem (?) about co-education at West Point which appeared in the spring ASSEMBLY Notes.

The Tom Hanleys celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June. Their son, Father Dexter (a Jesuit priest), and their daughter and her husband helped in the celebration. Tom Jr., is still in Japan in command of a security wing.

From Jack Harris: "A sad news item. Dusky Gillette's daughter Polly was badly injured in an automobile accident in Chevy Chase in July. She has been hospitalized since. Both ankles broken, nose broken, cheek crushed, etc." (Your Scribe has received no later news, but hopes Polly is improving.)

From Honest John Leonard: "Please note new address: Apt. 212, Chateau Dijon, 7709 Broadway, San Antonio, Texas 78209. Note particularly the French cultural atmosphere. Had a good year at Hilton Head Island, S.C.

"Attended Woodruff's 50th wedding party," continues John. "It was a most delightful occasion. Their son, Barney, and his family (wife and five daughters), their daughter Dot and her family (husband, two sons, and two daughters), plus a few grand-nieces and nephews were in the receiving line. The Class of 1915 was represented by Halcombs, Mike Davises, Mrs. Harmon, and the Leonards. There were about 100 present."

Joe Swing's new address: 3723 Webster St., San Francisco, Calif. 94123. (Ain't it nice to have something new at our age?)

The Doug Wearts bemoan the fact that four years ago they moved from Chicago to Washington because three of their children were stationed in the latter locale. Now they are deserted. Says Doug: "The Ogrens deposited their younger son, John, at West Point on 3 July and proceeded to their retirement home in San Antonio. Their older son (captain AF) is in Germany and is about to present us with our second great-grandchild this fall.

"Our older son, Col. George, is also in Germany—Director Operations AF. He returned from Vietnam in the late spring.

"The younger daughter is now at March AFB., Calif. Her husband, a colonel, is the civil engineer for the 15th AF. Their older son, Edward, entered V.M.I. in September. Col. Doug has finished four years in AF Legislative Liaison and has been rewarded by being ordered to the Army War College. At least Carlisle is only 100 miles from DC. Looks as if we will have to hitch up the old gray mare and start moving around. But our Hq. will remain put." (The world is really on the move—I wish I knew where to!)

You may recall that several ASSEMBLY's ago I suggested you write Earl Price who had suffered a stroke and would be cheered if he received a word from his friends. Well, Paul Fletcher, Omar Bradley, Jack Davis, and Julia Sanderson did so, and Omar sent me the copy of the letter Earl sent him in reply. In this letter (written with one good hand) Earl, skipping lightly over his ailments while discussing the view from his windows, the fishing, the flowers, the climate, and various odds and ends, expresses his pleasure at hearing from his friends. He concludes with this bit of philosophizing which I believe bears repetition:

"Well, that's better than talking about our

ills, deny it if you can. Most fervently do I thank you for your interest, and hope that your troubles, if any, will be minor ones and in any case, big or little, that you will find plenty of—oh golly, how is it spelled—fortitude, that's it. Anyway, plenty of that for making the best of them. And you will, as you always have. You learned it some time ago. Do you remember Longan, in a driving thunderstorm, reminding you? You have seen worse since, and always came through, and you can never know how proud I am of you. Now our allotted time is a bit shorter. I could never pinch hit for Hungry Joe, but just say that I agree with you if you think that everything is going to be all right. There must be reasons for all things, and the reason why types like you mugs were ever allowed in the picture in the first place must have been good enough for somebody. Sign me up as one who believes it is still good."

When one considers what's going on in the world today: the confusion, the frustration, the false prophets, the success of traitors, and criminals, it's somehow refreshing and reassuring to be told that no matter how dark the cloud, there still is a silver lining.

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As I take up my duties as class Scribe for the ASSEMBLY, let it be said that I want first to pay my respects to Brig Bliss who has carried this work for the Class so ably for so many years, and to Savilla who has been his very valuable aide. I invite attention to Bill Hoge's remarks in a recent class bulletin which you classmates all received, paying the respects and extending the thanks of all of us to Brig and Savilla. I also emphasize Bill's remark to the effect the "we make the news, Dwight cannot manufacture it." Please send your news for the class Notes to me in good time. Deadline dates by which the Editor must have my script appear in the Bulletin Board section of the ASSEMBLY. Please get your submissions to me a week or 10 days earlier. Thank you.

May I also say that I have appreciated the many cards and notes that I have received from you in which you expressed your thanks for my having taken the job and for the news you included in those notes.

Mary and Dick Worsham organized a small but important group of the Class for a party at their home in La Jolla recently where they celebrated Eve and Bob McBride's visit to Southern California. Other members of the Class present were Dorothea and Bill Styer, and Caroline and Murph Irvine. Eve and Bob report that the Southern California contingent of the Class is looking young and blooming.

Bill Hoge attended the wedding of his granddaughter, Courtney Barbara Hoge, daughter of son Bill Jr., at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, on 21 June. Bill's new grandson is Lt. David Brown '65, an engineer, of course.

Tom Finley writes that Constance and he continue well, so well, in fact, that they sold their Broadmoor house after 17 years' occupancy and undertook the planning and building of a new one nearby. It is a Santa Fe "territorial" type, all on one floor, and with doors wide enough for wheelchairs. They moved in about mid-July. Tom also brags about their becoming grandparents again—this time twice in one week. Son David at Stanford U. added a daughter to an earlier daughter and son, and daughter Rennie (Mrs. Gordon Rogers Jr.) at West Point added her



1916: The San Francisco-Sacramento group that met for the Navy game party in 1966. Left to right: Johns, Woodward, Doney, Shugg, Wilson, and Bob McBride.

second daughter. The new arrivals inspired inspection trips to West Point and Palo Alto on the part of the grandparents. Constance and Tom also traveled to Wyoming to see the Sioux battlefields where Tom's grandfather Dewees just missed having his scalp lifted by a hair's breadth. (Tom says the pun was intentional.)

Mary and Stan Scott joined those of our Class previously reported in the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary in August. Sons Bill and Gilbert and their families joined Mary and Stan at their Herbert Springs home and arranged a celebration party on 18 August. Fay Prickett writes that the party was held on their front lawn overlooking the Potomac, and that the display of flowers and shrubs demonstrated Stanley's skill as a gardener. Then, on 22 August, the actual anniversary date, the families all went to Bethany Beach, Delaware, for a week. Speaking of golden weddings, I believe 10 of our Class have so far been fortunate enough to have had theirs: Moses, Scott, Spence, Prickett, Levy, Wilson, Miller, Whitson, Mumma, and Weyand. If I have overlooked anyone I apologize and shall be happy to be informed. Also, as yours comes up in the future, be sure to let me know and give me appropriate notes.

Another item that is always of personal interest is great-grandchildren. Brig Bliss writes that Peggy Prickett flew to California in August to welcome the Pricketts' fourth great-grandchild. The baby is a boy, and his maternal grandparents are Brig. Gen. and Mrs. F.J. Roberts, who are presently stationed with SHAPE in Belgium. Incidentally, Peggy's mother, Mrs. McGregor, is the great-great-grandmother of these children. Mrs. McGregor celebrated her 93d birthday on 7 August. Other classmates having great-grandchildren, to my knowledge, are Jean Lange (2) and the Wilsons. Please correct me if I have left you out, and let me know when yours arrive.

Marjorie and Calvin DeWitt have a new granddaughter, born 26 July. She is the daughter of Calvin Dewitt III, who left for Germany soon after her birth. Their son Bill, a Ph.D., has joined the faculty of Williams College, his alma mater, where he will teach and do research.

A clipping from a San Diego paper tells of Caroline and Murph Irvine's party given at North Island Officers Club to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. They were married at St. Albans Episcopal Church in Washington, D.C., with a reception following at the home of Caroline's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maxwell Henry. The anniversary party was attended by daughter Helen (Mrs. Ronald Farris of Long Beach) and son Thomas of Anaheim who is a Naval Academy graduate. Murph says Bill Hoge and Bob Sharrer were ushers at his wedding. Bill says he was best man. One of them could be wrong!

George Newgarden is said to be an ardent fisherman, when he can spare the time from golf. On a recent fishing trip to Lyndon Johnson Lake he and his companion were run off by the secret service while the President took a spin in his motor launch.

Bill Spence had a second minor operation in July and spent a few days in the hospital.

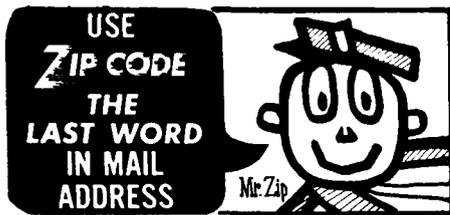
Cramp Jones reports that Harriot and he took their son Howze, wife Sonia, and two grandsons, George 12 and Mark 10, to Mexico in July. They traveled by train, "did" Mexico City, and swam in a pool full of gardenias at Fortin de las Flores.

Ham Maguire writes as of late July that they are "knee-deep in grandchildren" at their place near Bluemont, Virginia, atop the Blue Ridge. Fifteen grandchildren as of that writing.

The John Wills Moses family visited Marjorie and Ray at Sandwich, New Hampshire, in August. Besides John's wife, Virginia, this family includes Virginia M., a pianist graduating from Converse College next June, Marjorie D., now a junior at North Carolina U., and John Wills Jr., aged 12.

Nola and Maurice Miller spent several days with their daughter and family (Mrs. McDonald) in the San Francisco Bay Area before sailing for Hawaii on 10 August. They received the customary "1916 treatment" while there.

A note from Bobbie O'Hare, written as she was sojourning in the White Mountains in New Hampshire, described in considerable detail her air tour to East Africa last February. She seems to have visited and seen all the places, sights, and animals you read



about from that part of the world. It was hard to tell, however, whether she was more excited about the trip or the fact that she won the putting contest twice at her New Hampshire resort.

Bill Hoge spent several days in August with son Bill Jr., and family at Pullman, Washington. Purpose? Just visiting and fishing. Bill wrote that the fishing was not too successful since many fishing areas were closed to reduce the dry weather fire hazard.

George Blankenship was expecting the Flanigens of Athens, Georgia, to join him for dinner at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, in late August.

We were all saddened by the news of Woody Woodward's loss of Celeste. She died at Mather AFB hospital at Sacramento, Calif. on 19 August. She and Woody met at West Point, served there, and have always been very close to it. Services were held at Sacramento on 22 August. Interment was in Arlington.

Marion and Frank Scofield left in July for a tour of Europe, to include Iceland, Britain, Norway, France, Germany, and Belgium. The latest I have, however, is that Frank became ill in London and had to return home to Walter Reed.

Reports from San Antonio confirm that Boots and Bill Spence's golden wedding party on 24 June (see last ASSEMBLY's 1916 Notes) was a great success. When some of the guests started to leave while the sun was still shining (about 8:30), Boots is alleged to have remarked: "You can surely tell that our classmates are getting old when they leave a party before sundown."

Mac Cockrill and his sisters at San Antonio recently entertained their brother, Lt. Col. John Cockrill '42, now retired and teaching in California.

Nell and Bob Whitson had as house guests their nephew, Lt. Col. Whitson '48, with his wife and five children en route to Hong Kong for station. Bob says he had to get extra quarters at the Fort Sam Houston Officers Club.

Jean and George Newgarden's son, George II, is now retired and living at Corpus Christi, Texas, near enough that the families can get together often.

Charles Haskins reports from Bradford, Vt., that he attended the recent national convention of the American Legion in Boston and marched in the parade.

Maurice Miller, while in Honolulu, contacted Hazel Marriott who lives there. Hazel had been back to the mainland in early 1966, but was unable to stay for our 50th Reunion. One of her daughters, Mrs. Birnie and her two children, live with her. Another daughter, Natalie, is the wife of Col. E.G. Hahney '36, Ret, and now living at Lawton, Okla. The third daughter, Eloise, lives in Topeka, Kansas.

Stanley Reinhart reports that Jeannette and he have recently visited their daughter in Des Moines, Iowa, and their son Stanley Jr., and family at West Point. Jeannette is feeling better than she has for some time.

Dick Worsham writes that Mary and he celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary

on 17 August with cocktails and dinner for more than 50 guests at the officers club of the Marine Corps recruit depot in San Diego.

We were happy to receive a note from Therese Hudnutt advising that she finds life in New Haven pleasant. After 27 years it is really home to her.

Lillian and Pick Pickering have enjoyed a quiet, cool, rainy summer at their home in Atlanta. They had planned a trip to Expo 67, but that fell through.

Jean Lange in Pasadena, Calif., says she has nothing to contribute to our class Notes, and then mentions that she will accompany her son Lee and family on a houseboat cruise on the Sacramento River Delta, with swimming, fishing, and the like. I am sure you will agree it is news when a great-grandmother can do that!

Laura and Dwight Johns had their son-in-law, Lt. Col. Robert M. Rufsvold '46, with them in Piedmont briefly before he left for Vietnam in July; he is with the engineer section of USARV. Laura and Dwight also recently entertained Australian friends en route through San Francisco on a Pacific cruise. They were Lt. Gen. Sir Edmund Herring and his wife, Dame Mary Herring. Gen. Herring recently retired as chief justice of the supreme court of Victoria. He is still, by royal appointment, Lt. Gov. of the State of Victoria, Australia.

By the time this is in print, the 16 classmates of the San Francisco-Sacramento area will have assembled for another Navy game viewing. I'm including a picture of the 1966 gathering. This year's party will be hosted by Virginia and Carl Doney.

Bob Walsh spent part of his summer at Kennebunkport, Maine, with his son and daughter. En route he looked in on the Pete Dalys and Max Kuhn. He reports all is well with them.

May I again thank all those classmates and widows who have sent me items for these Notes. I have received, since being appointed your Scribe, letters, notes, and postcards from the following: Hoge, Prickett, Bliss, Caperton, Pickering, Worsham, Reinhart, Miller, Whitson, Blankenship, Wilson, Maguire, Moses, Jones H.C., Henderson, Krayenbuhl, Finley, Haskins, O'Hare, Hudnutt, Grant and Lange. This is nearly 30 percent. Let's make it a "possible" next time—by about 1 January!

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Our 50th Reunion is a thing of the past, but it will be a pleasant memory for many years to come. Those who couldn't be there enjoyed hearing about it.

Warfield Lewis wrote: "I'm sorry I could not make it to the reunion, but I have had to admit that my traveling days are over. I had a note from Jim Hayden, who gave me some news of the meeting. I know he had a fine time. I want to thank all those who signed the card I received from West Point. I certainly appreciated the thoughtfulness in sending it. Emily and I are getting ready to celebrate our 50th anniversary in September. We hope to get the whole family here then. We have 21 grandchildren now, and that makes quite a family. The oldest four are in college, and the youngest is a little over one year old. Bud (Warfield Jr.), an Ordnance major stationed in Honolulu, is the missile man in the G4 section,

Hq Army of the Pacific. Give my best to any of the Class you see around Washington."

Linc Daniels' account of his and his wife's interesting activities follows: "After I retired in 1946, I obtained a position as Asst Prof of Math at San Jose State College, here in California. While there, my wife, Jean, became interested in geology and took just about all the courses they offered in the college, making A's in nearly every subject. During vacations we roamed all over the West looking for minerals, etc. We had quite a collection for a while and still have a few. I run into former students of mine every once in a while. The head of the local savings bank here was one.

"I retired from San Jose State in 1957, and we then moved to Middlebury, Vt., where I taught math for 3 more years. While there I organized the Green Mountain Chapter of the Retired Officers Association. I believe it is still a growing outfit. Vermont is very wonderful in summer, but we found that the winters are for the youngsters. So, in 1962, we pulled up stakes and moved to Mathews, Va., and bought a place not far from where Clark Fales was living. Unfortunately he had his place up for sale and left a short time after we arrived. We had a lot of fun in Mathews. We built a good dock, bought a sailboat, and sailed all over the East River, North River, and Mobjack Bay. While there we saw quite a bit of Lila Hall Perry. Basil and Lila Hall were at Stanford U. in 1947-48 while we were at San Jose State, and so we saw a lot of each other then. In Vermont they stayed with us a couple of times, and Basil and I tried our luck at trout fishing in the Green Mountain trout streams.

"We left Mathews in 1964, spent a bit over a year in Santa Barbara, and in Aug 1965, we moved here and bought a house. My duties here can best be described as: house husband, yard man, and sort of Pied Piper to all the youngsters in the neighborhood (the ones between the ages of 4 and 10). We have made a few trips up into the Sierra. One of the most delightful places is Silver Lake, about 2 miles long, right in the middle of Granite Peaks, elevation 7,300 ft. It is one of the prettiest spots anywhere. We got a canoe and paddled all over the lake; also hiked about the countryside and up into the Carson Pass. We tried to go again this year, but by the end of June the lake was still frozen over, and the snow was 6 ft. deep. We'll try again next year. We both have the infirmities of old age, but manage to walk a couple of miles a day.

"I was sorry we couldn't make it for the 50th Reunion. As a matter of fact, I was in the hospital on 3 June, but feel fine now. We would love to see any and all classmates that might stray in this direction. I still make noises on the fiddle much the same as I used to on the Color Line Concerts we used to have in summer camp.

"We have no children and hence no grandchildren to brag about. Jean has been helping at the Red Cross, making up packages for the soldiers in Vietnam for Christmas. Every year she does some kind of work for Red Cross, Community Chest, etc. I was chapter chairman of Red Cross for 3 years in Vermont, but that is about all I have done in that line."

Another couple that has had interesting experiences are Clare and Kitty Armstrong. After Clare retired, he spent two years with Sabena Airlines, and two more with Georgia Pacific Corp. Then came a heart attack, and later on, another one. Now he writes: "I have learned to have my blood tested once a

month, and if I can keep my blood thin enough to run through my pipes, I have it made. Now I feel just fine, and I think it will stay so. It is too bad that I had to have these attacks just because I didn't know what to do when chest pains came. The pity is that they could have been avoided entirely if I had known what I do now. I bother you with this, hoping that you will pass on what very nearly cost me my life, so that others can know how easy it is to prevent such a killer.

"After a long, delightful stay in Belgium, where I was MA for 5 years, we came here to Palma de Mallorca to live 8 to 9 months a year. One day while I was MA in Brussels, the MA for Air came into my office saying, 'General, I have to get some flight time, where should we go?' I remembered that Willis Teale had told me one day that he had visited Mallorca and that it was a dream place. So off we flew for Palma. He was so right—about the people, the island, in fact, everything. I often think that even the ugly parts of the island are beautiful. So we established a home here, and we just love it.

"As I mentioned, we take 3 to 4 months a year to travel. We have pretty well covered the world. One trip was given us by the Belgian govt. We flew from Brussels to Prague, to Cairo, and then to Stanleyville where we really started our trip. We had air-cooled VIP billets in every big city of the Congo, staying as long as we wished in each place, and taking side trips. We traveled 6 days and nights down the Congo River on the steamer, *Olsen*. In Elizabethville we went down into the uranium mine. At Albertville we swam in Lake Tanganyika, using big dogs to clear the place of water beasts. It was great, and the dogs always swam out to protect us.

"At Nairobi we spent the night in the great park of wild animals. It was exciting to see cheetah tracks at our door that had been made during the night. We saw Park Albert and Elizabeth Park. The idea was the same, but the animals were different. Then on to Dar Es Salam, and Zanzibar, where we were presented to the Sultan and his wife, and finally, back by ship to Antwerp, with a stop in the Canaries. During all this trip of several weeks, not once were we given 'ugly looks.' The natives were smiling and friendly, and we remarked that Kitty could have traveled alone without fear through the Congo.

"Since then we have made several more trips. The best, which we propose to repeat next spring, was to Cairo, Sud Arabia, Pakistan, and Delhi, with a side trip to Kashmir, with base at Srinagar, where ducks and geese were plentiful, and where I even got a Himalayan black bear. Then on to the Philippine Is., Okinawa, Tokyo, and Hong Kong.

"We are both in good shape now. Kitty had a bad time last spring, and we missed the reunion that we had made so many plans for. Please tell any and all that we would be delighted to have them look this island over. We are right at the edge of Palma on a hill overlooking the city, the bay, and the castle."

This summer Bates Compton spent 2 weeks in Coronado, Calif., where, he says, almost every man is a retired admiral, except Bill Steyer '16, who holds his own with the Navy. He says: "The admirals are a nice crowd."

A note from Texas indicates that Arthur Harper has been quite ill. He has our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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Facing the slimmest budget of news in his experience, your Scribe is reminded of the farmer who said that when eggs go down to 10¢ a dozen, it isn't worth the wear and tear on the hen.

One item is sad. Lucile Knoob died on 21 July. She was interred in the national cemetery at the Presidio. Lucile was an outstanding volunteer worker in the chest and cardiac centers of San Francisco.

On further consideration, Ed and Ruth Leavey's excuse for missing the 50th sounds better. In buying a new apartment, they had the old one on their hands—one does stay home when trying to unload a parcel of real estate. Your Scribe, for one, feels badly that Alston and Allen Deas didn't join us at the 50th. They manage to get about (the Coast and Europe) why not the Point? Lots of us want to see you, Alston. Break down and come to the November luncheon here in Washington. And that same summons goes for everyone else who can possibly make it. The days, the weeks, the months, the years flit by, and we shouldn't miss any feasible opportunity to relish one another's company.

The reunion pictures having arrived, your Scribe was reminded that he almost omitted Dutch and Teddy Gerhardt, and there they are in the picture, at their handsomest and winningest. Bill Chapman is circulating the snaps he took at the reunion, starting very properly with Bob Bringham. This news came from Willie Wilson, who says that he greatly enjoyed the 50th with *both* his classes. Also, says he, come to Chupinos. Much to see. Nothing to sell.

Our major general of the second generation, Hook Almquist, has departed Washington for an assignment in Italy. Young Hank Barnes is home from Vietnam, to Kay's delight. He is with her, quieting down, and considering what he wants to do. Not an Army career, though we all know that when in the Service he did the same bang-up job his daddy did. Incidentally, Kay was in Washington for several weeks in July and August, but some of us who would have liked to see her didn't know about it.

The gals are on the move. Loessa Coffey sent a rave card from Lake Tahoe. From there she was going to Minneapolis to visit John, thereafter to her beloved Maine coast to see her family and to pal around with that inveterate maniac, Peggy Moore. In October, Anne Counts starts a circumnavigation of South America on the *Kungsholm*. Closer home, Emily Bingham and other members of the family celebrated her mother's 94th birthday in the Army-Navy Club. The local gals opened the fall season with lunch at the Kennedy-Warren. Present were: Mesdames Bingham, Kutz, Warner, Day (from Florida, yet!), Coffey, Huff, Bellingier, Purvis, O'Keefe, Stamps, Almquist, Whittington, Jank, and Eyster.

John Fye, Lucile, and her mother were enjoying a marvelous cruise along northern Europe in July. Heaven knows where they are now. Burr Parker and Emily were at Rehoboth for a while and checked in to Washington by phone. The indomitable Biff came through his first cataract operation splendidly, acquired new lenses, and planned to have the other eye cared for on 10 October. Restless while waiting, he and Elizabeth flew to Asuncion to spend some time with

Barbara and her husband, Col. Grady, defense attaché in Paraguay.

The local luncheon operation didn't miss a beat. Conner, Durfee, Reeder, and Warner made all of the June, July, and August sessions. Harry Rising left for the Finger Lakes after being present in June. Biff had to skip July because of his eyes. Lew Griffith spoiled a perfect record by not showing in August. Bob Hasbrouck was with us in July. That was a gala day, for we also had Paca, Cohen, and Ringsdorf. Al made us happy by returning in August.

Since the last writing, Treasurer Durfee has sunk deep into the class sock, donations he received from: Jules Schaefer, Bill Kolb, Victoria Almquist, Gus Hoffman, Tracy Dickson, and Willie Wilson.

Some time ago, Phil Day flattered your Scribe by suggesting that he (your Scribe) include in the Notes his (your Scribe's) poems. ASSEMBLY can ill afford space to publish a longish poem that has been rejected by a couple of sagacious editors, but those who get the unabridged Aug'17 Notes may be favored with the opportunity to read this gem.

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With deep sorrow I turn to the last roll call of departed classmates during the first half of 1967 and bring up-to-date your Scribe's actions since the last quarterly letter of 15 Aug 67.

Your Scribe wrote Addie Adcock's memorial. Inez has approved and returned it, and it has been forwarded to ASSEMBLY for publication. Inez has placed her home in Tucson on the market as she feels it is too much for her to keep up. When it's sold, she will move into an apartment in Tucson.

Jack Knight Aug'17 wrote that he hopes to have a memorial that will be satisfactory and pleasing to Grace and will do justice to a fine guy like Max Corpening. Grace wrote that Max was buried in Marion, N.C., near his parents and son. Grace is very happy that Jack has consented to write Max's memorial as they had always been such good friends. Jack is also writing Offie's memorial. Your Scribe would appreciate your sending items regarding Offie and Max to Jack. His address is: 4828 Cleveland Place, Metairie, La. 70003.

Anne Knight Del Val, eldest daughter of Offie Knight, wrote that her mother, Polly Knight, passed away on 20 May. Polly had been a heart patient for some 5 years. We of Jun'18 wish to express our deepest sympathy to the Knight family.

Reggie Whitaker passed away on 28 June; interment was at Arlington National Cemetery. Jawn Mesick consented to do Reggie's memorial. Upon receipt of the telegram from Margaret telling of Reggie's death, your Scribe notified Bill Barringer asking him to assemble classmates, etc., for services at Arlington, and advised Margaret to get in touch with Bill. A report from Bill and a heartfelt letter from Margaret told of the 8 classmate pallbearers, and the flowers, etc., expressing the sincere response of classmates of Jun'18. And in quick order from Jawn came a copy of Reggie's memorial for the class files and from Margaret the approved copy which, with one addition by your Scribe, has been forwarded to ASSEMBLY for publication. Thanks a lot, Jawn. The Class appreciates your services. Margaret has

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moved from Camp Hill to 525-A Todd St., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15221, to be with her sister.

Lane Holman has sent me a copy of the memorial he wrote for Jim Gillespie. He recently completed the one for Milo Barragan. Our thanks to you, Lane. Lane returned from his travels in Spain, Italy, and England with a stopover in Washington just in time to be invited to Bob and Louise Bishop's delightful garden party early in May, where he was delighted to meet so many classmates and their ladies in one spot at one time. He reported everyone looked fit and fine, and that there was much to talk about.

Two more changes of address to report: Bob Bagby to 936 Carlton Ave., Lake Wales, Fla. 33853, and Bob Horr to 444 College Blvd., San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

And while we are on the subject of class business, a letter from Growley Gruhn states that he has just sent a draft of the second 50th Reunion bulletin to Clarry Townsley for approval, and that it will be in the hands of classmates and widows by 15 Sept. "The big change," wrote Growley, "is that June Week will start one day earlier for the alumni, that is, on Thursday, 30 May 1968 (Decoration Day). We will have our picnic that evening at Round Pond. Friday will be Alumni Day. On Saturday most of us will fold up our tents." Of course, all this has been sent you before publication of this column. Bee and Earle Rundell drove over from Taconic, Conn., for lunch with the Gruhns where an exchange was made of Nutmeg sweet corn for Empire tomatoes. Earle also wrote of their fine visit with the Gruhns and told of their pending trip to Washington for Bee's second eye operation at Walter Reed at the end of August.

From Clarry Townsley, a letter confirming the change of dates for our 50th Reunion and the issuance of the second 50th Reunion bulletin. At the time Clarry wrote, he said they were overwhelmed with the silence around his place; just the day before, the last contingent of grandchildren had left Squam Lake as had most of the summer people who had to get their children back to school. Their lake house had been full all through July and August with the gleeful shouts of children. First, there was Janet and four grandchildren. Son Ed is in command of the 8th Engr Bn of the 1st Air Cav Div, so Elsie and Clarry got in on the news tapes Ed sends instead of letters. Then came Elsie's sisters and Page's family. The Townsleys left New Hampshire for Charleston early in November.

As you read in your Scribe's last quarterly letter, Treasurer Tom Kern made his annual report on receipts and disbursements of the class funds. We now have a goodly sum for our 50th Reunion class gift. Tom is still working and says he is learning more every day on the art of making comfortable, people who want year-round 72° F. temperature, 50% relative humidity, and at the same time demand that the heating and air conditioning be draft-free, dust-free, and odor-free. Up in our north country we spend a bit more for heat, but we never need air conditioning, and your Scribe would sure hate to have Tom remove the odors of the good earth and the gentle wafted breezes filled with the aroma of growing fruit, flowers, shrubs, and trees. And I refuse to let Tom remove the sounds of our song birds or install any other tranquilizers designed to permit city dwellers to sleep at night. We don't need them in our north country. We relax with nature and sleep the sleep of those blessed with air conditioning provided by our great outdoors.

Heinie Baish enjoyed a delightful summer "down in Maine" on Bailey Island, with "perfect weather, excellent fishing, and delicious lobsters." Daughter Olivia, who was married to Tom McFadden in 1966, had her first baby, George Joseph McFadden, on 28 May. They live in McLean, Va.

Charlie Blanchard banged a couple of ribs, so he and Eve went to the Minnesota lakes to rest up, but he had to forego the fishing. Later, as the ribs mended, they took an exciting trip to the Black Hills of South Dakota, visiting Deadwood, Rushmore, the gold mines, and winding up in a lovely lodge in Custer State Park before returning to Texas.

The Boineaus' daughter, Sallie Boineau Freeinan, received her Ph.D. in biology at Emory U. on 19 Aug with Lib, Kitty, and son Ralph proudly attending the impressive ceremonies. Son Ralph enrolled at Wash. and Lee U. where, Kitty reminded me, Lucius Clay was awarded a Doctor of Laws degree. Kitty asked whether we have other classmates who have sons entering college? Your Scribe knows that Tom Nixon's son Henry finished his freshman year at Gettysburg College, that Tommy Tompkins's son Charles (age 15) is enrolled at Fryeburg Academy preparing for college, that Murray Neilson's son Bob was at Pembroke Country Day School preparing for college, and that Jawn Mesick's son Hillary, now as tall as Jawn, is about in his second year of high school.

"When the smoke around here (summer home in Vermont) clears a bit, we hope we (the Caseys) may get to see your new mountain." Yes, the Lorences bought a mountain to add to their activities—but more labor. The smoke on Butternut Hill that Dorothy and Pat Casey had to contend with was the construction of a new kitchen and dining room, plus, like the Townsleys, listening to the gleeful noises of daughter Patricia's (Frank Clay's wife) three children romping over the place.

Before visiting the Caseys in Vermont, Frank Clay and family, who recently returned from Germany, visited with Marjorie and Lucius at the Clay home at Chatham on Cape Cod. Frank, now a BG, is the Asst Div Comdr of the 101st Abn Div and has resumed his paratroop jumping.

Jigger Cobb says Nell has started on her 8th and final school year at Reingold, (Ga.) High School, just after returning from Canada for a look at Expo 67. Both are looking forward to seeing us all at our 50th Reunion.

"Our summer weather," wrote Squire Foster, "hasn't been too good. Rain and more rain. Have had to turn on the heat more than once. This morning the temperature was down in the low 50's." He wanted to know how that compared with our north country. We feel that our summer was warmer than usual—too warm for some of us. Ah, but the nights! Cool. You sleep like babes. I guess, as Einstein said, it's a matter of relativity, what one likes or gets used to. Squire said Kitty Boineau came by to see him a few weeks ago. His hair is a little thinner and his waistline a little longer than days of yore, otherwise the same old Kitty. Squire mentioned that Kitty's son Ralph is a junior astronomer and contributes articles to scientific papers.

The Grenatas have been busy as usual. Mike was a delegate from Virginia to the National Convention of the American Legion at Boston and assisted in drafting and carrying through their strong and able resolutions on national defense, enforcement of law and order, anti-riot legislation, and other phases

of Americanism. He also keeps in touch with the permanent American Legion Nat'l Hq in Washington that follows up the mandates contained in these resolutions. Sandwiched in was a trip to the West Coast (Washington state) to visit their married daughter, plus a trip through the Canadian Rockies. Back home they have the usual garden chores, farm repairs, and ever-increasing paperwork to do.

Daddy Holt's report was brief. "At our age no news is good news." They spent the summer at Cape Cod. "Weather atrocious," said Daddy. They should have come a little farther north.

Upon returning from their cruise, reported previously, the Hurts made a trip to Missouri and Illinois to visit their two daughters and families, and to attend the wedding of granddaughter Linda Jones in Rock Island to a young minister who goes to his first church in Jonesboro, Ill. Linda returned last spring from a year's tour with the Red Cross in South Korea. Lola's blood pressure down and general health considerably improved, the Hurts are looking forward with keen anticipation to attending our 50th Reunion. Paul said he liked your Scribe's homey write-ups both in the columns and in the letters. He said he especially appreciated them because he had been so out of contact with members of the Class. Thanks, Paul. As we grow older and fewer, all of us seem to appreciate that we are a fine group of real down-to-earth folks, interested, above all, in our country and the folks who make up its strength and progress.

The Kreber household was also enlivened this summer by the visit of the teen-age daughters of Ann's brother-in-law who underwent open-heart surgery. Grandson Jimmy, taking a 16-week course in Dayton at NCR before leaving for Vietnam, also spent part of the summer with them. Then the Krebers sold their house, and, after selling a few things and buying a few other things, moved into their new home, address: 1960 Suffolk Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43221, where they invite "any of the Jun'18 crowd to stop by to see us." They planned a trip to Colorado Springs via the Southwest, for the ARMY-AF game, followed by a visit with daughter Jessie's family (Col. Robt. J. Welsh) at Monument just north of the Academy where they hoped classmates would get together for a little party. Unfortunately this column will not be published until after the fact, so your Scribe has to write of the future—which will then be the past. Then on to the ARMY-Navy game in early December.

In the closing paragraph of our last quarterly class letter your Scribe tried to show the transition of plain, despised dirt to the good earth and its influence on the Lorences' move to the north country where we acquired a goodly section of some 65 acres of the good earth now known as Lorences' Woodley Acres. As a stepping stone, we had previously acquired a small parcel of good earth on a gem-like lake in the Green Mountains of Vermont. Towards the beginning of this column there is a quote from Pat Casey's letter: "When the smoke around here clears a bit, we hope we may get to see your new mountain." Yes, the Lorences bought a mountain to add to their activities and to their collection of the good earth. Have you ever dreamed of standing on a mountaintop where the good earth sloped downward for a half mile in every direction to another ring of mountains completely surrounding the area, and every bit of it visible, primitive timberland of both soft- and hardwoods with many

types of evergreens interspersed, with many fine white birch, maple, ash, and other deciduous hardwood? Such a scene our early colonists gazed upon during the French and Indian War over a hundred years before the American War for Independence. This section of land (106 acres) is completely surrounded by sections held in timber reserve by one of our fine north-country paper mills, and all of it plentiful with wildlife, both bird and animal. Up to 25 years ago this mountain had farm buildings and even a schoolhouse on top, with a graveled town road leading up to the top. The buildings have been completely obliterated, but the closed town road is still usable and only a mile-and-a-quarter from a paved road. The real payoff is that the mountaintop is still a fine rolling, open meadowland and only 5 miles from Main Street and the post office of our town. Where oh where, I ask, can you study nature in the rough only 5 miles from town and 15 miles from Lorences' Woodley Acres?

Maurine Mielenz's new official stationery is quite impressive. She is the National Federation of Music Clubs' new Chairman of the Senior Club Rating and Evaluation Committee. It keeps Maurine busy and on her toes. In April she attended the national biennial in New York followed by a summer of music camps. The fall board meeting was held in August at St. Louis, after which Maurine proceeded on to Colorado Springs for a visit with Lloyd Jr., and family who are stationed there. Maurine hopes to drive to Washington just before our 50th Reunion and hopes some of the gals will ride up to the reunion with her. So girls, get in touch with Maurine. Your Scribe hopes that this type of group planning will take place elsewhere across the country come next May.

Fenie and Bud Miley took their grandchildren to Expo 67 and on their return trip spent some time in New Hampshire. The Mileys now understand why we like to live in the beautiful north country.

The Nixons, Tom, Aimee, and son Henry, returned from their trip in France in time to allow Henry to start his sophomore year at Gettysburg College.

Mildred Pichel has been covering a lot of ground by jet and by cruise steamer lately. When Alice Kramer had dinner with Mildred they discovered they had taken the same Caribbean cruise—Alice in November as a stockholder, Mildred in May. She visited Jim's family, going and coming, in New York.

The Robinsons are still busy at their professional welfare work, but Robbie is beginning to condition himself for compulsory retirement on 1 May 68, his birthday. Robbie says that this Saturday weeding, mowing, and cleaning the cellar routine is getting him down. Barbara and Robbie have been to Woodley Acres many times, and Robbie closes his letter with: "We often think of you both, barn (full of books, prints, primitives), hay, pine trees, etc., not omitting the cat. Life is made of so many things which run through one's head as he gets older." True Robbie, 1 May 68 can't come too soon when you can retire, relax, and have fun.

Tommy Tompkins's granddaughter Cynthia was married on 1 Sept, and Tommy is already strutting around like all future great-grandfathers. Son Charles, now 15, attended summer school at Fryeburg Academy.

Our 50th Reunion is just around the corner. By this time you should have received Growley Gruhn's second reunion bulletin. Better act on it at once.

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It is my sad duty to announce the death of Jack Hinton on 20 June 1967.

Hunk Holbrook recently received a long, newsy letter from Gertrude Swift which supplies much of the information in this column. She writes that she is aging, overweight, and arthritic, to which I may add, so are we all. Ippy had a second operation on his eyes last summer and some dental work this summer, but is fine. He fishes for schooling bass in their chain of ponds, using tiny cork minnows which he makes himself, and he stays thin and agile. Their Joanne's husband, Charles J. Simnons, USMA '46, got back from Vietnam 21 June—Hq J.F. 18 months, and 4th Inf Div 6 months. Joanne, Leslie 11½, and Charles Swift 5½, had been in West Springfield, Va., while Charlie was gone. The house Charlie and Joanne bought is in an area where many Service people have bought.

In a letter to Al Miller, Arch Colwell writes: "We got back from Europe on 15 July, and I'm just getting caught up on my correspondence. I have the data on retirement and shall be glad to write to our people in Congress about it. I note that Charlie Bathurst was by to see you and that you both went down to see Andy. If the records give him any pleasure at all, it will give you and me pleasure. His days are not too full of sunshine.

"We had a good trip to the North Cape in Norway. It was rainy and cold, and I carried three tripods and cameras all the way to the top of the Cape only to be disappointed by seeing no midnight sun. The only picture I got was taken of reindeer at midnight in the rain, but it turned out perfectly! We spent a few days in Copenhagen and liked it very much; then came back on the *Rotterdam*. I, too, have received a couple of letters from Linson Dzau. I am still trying to find some foundation or philanthropist who would be willing to help him. It is difficult to interest someone in a school so far away. I don't know when I'll be out that way again but shall certainly drop by on my next visit to the West Coast. We are looking forward to the reunion next year and hope that you will be able to spend a little time with us, either coming or going."

In a recent letter Howard Peckham reports from 4301 Massachusetts Ave., NW., Washington, D.C. 20016: "Jimmy and I attended the 13th annual reunion of the 2d Armored Division Association, at King of Prussia, Pa., early in August. I have been president of the association during the last year and had my hands full at the reunion. After it was over we went to the home of Monk and Eleanor Dickson in Devon and had a delightful luncheon with them before returning to Washington. Monk is hard at work on a short composite history of the Class, which will appear in the class directory being put together by Elmer Barnes for our 50th Reunion next June. We were glad to have news from Eleanor of her brother, Harrison Shaler. Monk has attended our July and August class luncheons.

"Cornie and Helen Hahn were in the Washington area recently to visit Cornie's son Bill Jan'43, and his wife Marian, the president of the Engineer Officers Wives Club of Washington, D.C. Bill is a colonel, on duty with the Defense Intelligence Agency. We invited both couples to our apartment for cocktails and had a fine time. Cornie and

Helen have now returned to their home in Boulder, Colo. Jimmy and I are going to drive to Myrtle Beach, S.C., on 12-13 October to spend several days with Mary and Corp Chorpening, who will drive up from their home in De Land, Florida. Anne entered Stetson University in De Land this fall."

In a recent letter to Elmer Barnes, Monk Dickson writes: "I have worked out a preliminary analysis of the performance of the Class, and it is a monumental record which should stir the pride of every member. These statistics make thousands of words unnecessary. Again, I call upon you as editor and publisher for help. Les, Dick or Gugu Groves gave me as his fixed opinion that the real heroes of the Class are the regimental commanders in the Infantry who fought their outfits so well that their division CG's would not let them go up to brigadier general because they were indispensable to the success of the divisions. Many of these *Fronschwein* were retired in the years 1945-7, worn out physically or crippled by wounds. Several of these gents have been very skimpy in reporting their services to the REGISTER OF GRADUATES. For example, Lou Gibney makes no mention of his Purple Heart nor of his premature return from the hospital after commanding the 60th Inf, 9th Div, to take command of the 112th of the 28th Div in that "convalescence park" known as Hurtgen Forest, nor of his subsequent stand in Bastogne. Is my recollection faulty?

"I need details on Gibney, Aaron, Gorman, Wheeler, Glasgow, Bonwell, Odor, Watkins, Stansbury, Fonvielle, Taylor, Lewis J.H., Valentine, Crawford, and Lock. What did they do in the Great War, daddy? Also, where is Dolph? Does anyone have a coherent biography of Dzau? Just what does Mao say in his writings? As soon as I get this additional disa and data I can complete the consolidated record and turn on a flood of immortal prose. A draft will be sent to you so you can extract the dangling infinitives and split participles with your bluest pencil. How'm I doin', massa? Awaiting your enlightenment with suspended respiration." Do you have the answers to any of the above questions? If so, please write to Col. Benjamin A. Dickson, 518 Mill Brook Rd., Devon, Pa. 19333; or phone area code 215, MUrray 8-1447.

Dick Babbitt has had another serious attack. He was very low for a long time but is reported to be somewhat better. He has been moved from a civilian hospital to the Orlando AFB Hospital.

Ethel and I stopped by to see Helen and Hunk Holbrook in Washington recently. Both looked great and were in fine spirits. Willard's deep tan was ample evidence of his recent Colorado fishing trip. He was surprisingly agile, rushing about to mix drinks, and ignoring Helen's admonitions not to forget his cane.

The Badgers have spent most of the summer at their house at Rehoboth Beach, so have not been seen much in Washington.

Ethel, young Bryan, and I had a few days at the Henlopen Hotel at Rehoboth in August. We were the lucky ones. The weather, which has been foul along that part of the coast most of the summer, was beautiful for us. We all enjoyed the surf bathing. B III even got the old folks out on bicycles one day. I last owned a bicycle in 1915, so certain unaccustomed muscles pained a bit for a day or two.

At the 13 September Classes of 1918 luncheon in Washington there was a big turnout.

From Nov '18 there were: Bergman, down from New York on business, Conrad, up from the farm, Fellers, Graham, Hastings, Hickman, Holbrook, Moss, Norman, Peckham, and Yoder. Van Voorst, a most faithful regular, was sick in quarters. The old ticker has been troubling him again. There was a big turnout too from 1919, but their Scribe will tell us about that. After lunch Holbrook had all of our Class meet as a committee to hear of reunion plans. All goes well, but you will have heard from Willard before this gets in print, so I will omit details. Briefly, the plan at present is to arrive at West Point Wednesday and depart Saturday. Great numbers of the Class have already signified their intention to be there.

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From the West Coast comes the sad news of the deaths of two more of the Class. John Armstrong died 5 June in the Stanford Hospital in Palo Alto after a series of heart attacks. Funeral services at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Palo Alto were attended by Roly and Emily McNamee and Linc and Elsie Dillaway. John, who retired in 1949, is survived by his wife, Polly, four sons, a brother, and eight grandchildren, all of Palo Alto. Eddie Sutherland died at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California on 17 August. He had been hospitalized earlier in the year for an arterial blockage and was thought to be improving following an operation. Graveside services were held in Arlington Cemetery on 25 August. The following classmates attended and acted as honorary pallbearers: Brown, Ferenbaugh, Brannon, Hopkins, Scherer, Jones, Palmer, McGinley, Wedemeyer, and Starr. Ed is survived by his wife, Harriet, three daughters, and ten grandchildren.

Lil Frederick, our Florida correspondent, writes that he and Toots have returned to Clearwater after extended travels in the central and western part of the country. All classmates in Lil's territory are reported as well. The Zimmermans have had as their guests their daughter and son-in-law, the Tom Crosses, who returned to the United States recently from Norway. The O'Connors also had their children as guests. The Pierces spent the summer in Michigan. Dave McLean and his brother are reported to have concluded a nonproductive fishing expedition.

The Washington luncheons at the Army-Navy Club of several combined classes continue to draw attendance from 1919 despite the fact that many members have left the city for part of the summer. Luncheons on 13 July and 9 August included these classmates: Brannon, Barden, Ferenbaugh, Cranston, Flory, Hammond, McAuliffe, Jones, Scherer, Ovenshine, Wedemeyer, Palmer, Murphy, Odell, and Gruenther. Of interest to all the Class is the fact that Al Wedemeyer has agreed to act as chairman for the 50th Reunion committee. He does not have any assistants as yet, but we anticipate that the committee will be staffed principally from Washington members so that they may meet from time to time. We have tentative reservations at the Thayer Hotel, where preference is given to the 50-year Class. Herb Jones has promised to check on this matter in person. We also have good reports on a new motel, conveniently located in Highland Falls. We should certainly be able to avoid



1919: Winter Haven, Fla., mayor, Hughes Steele (left) presents key to the city to Harold Ross.

the long trip from Newburgh. At least five classmates have already asked for accommodations. A note in the *Contract Bridge Bulletin* informs us that Al Gruenther is honorary president of the World Bridge Federation, and that his recovery from his two hip operations is indicated by his ability to travel at the rate of 12,000 miles a month. It's a good thing that he is a director of Pan American World Airways.

Two members of the Class made the news early this year. An item in the *Tampa Tribune* records the meeting of Harold Ross and Hughes Steele: "When Harold Ross of Mount Morris, Ill., supreme governor of the Loyal Order of Moose, put Winter Haven on his official tour of three Florida cities, he did not expect that he would be presented the key to the city by one of his former West Point classmates. Winter Haven mayor, Hughes Steele, the former classmate, presented the key to the Moose's highest official. This was the first time they had met since their West Point days." Incidentally, Ross was among the first to signify his intention of attending the 50th.

Gus Broberg reported Ralph and Mary Bassett's son Robert '69, home from West Point during August, is on the dean's list. Bobbie and Gus Broberg have been up in the Canadian Northwest for a spell, where, as usual, she proved to be the better fisherman. They brought back 29 lbs. of salmon, and she caught one salmon that weighed 12 lbs. They traveled the easy way: by air, rail, ferry, and car, and found the trip via the Inner Passage on the British Columbia ferries the most interesting. For anyone contemplating a trip to Alaska by car, Gus has the following advice: "DON'T. In spite of what Madison Avenue press agents and travel agents say, the trip is too far, too hot, too dirty, too buggy, and too rough for anyone our age. Just to get to Anchorage via Fairbanks and McKinley Park from Vancouver, British Columbia is 3,150 miles, of which 1,740 is over rough, dusty dirt-and-gravel roads that are so sharp that they chew up two complete sets of tires. Gas stations are

few and far apart and sell almost as much insect repellent as oil. Food prices are prohibitive, and meals are worse. Better fly in, float back, and let Mr. Hertz handle the rest."

Les and Dot Flory's son, Maj. Robert Flory, recently received his Master's in physics from Tulane. Now that the course is completed, he and his family have gone to Fort Leavenworth to school. The Florys' fourth grandchild, Richard, was born on 26 June. Lou Ely regrets his inability to attend the Washington luncheons since he and Gladys expect to be traveling for an extended period. Herb Jones, as treasurer, has received a most appreciated letter from Bicky Hewett. She writes that she has heard we are already making plans for the 50th, and that while she couldn't face coming to the reunion without Hobey, she would like to show how very much she hopes it will be the most wonderful reunion any Class had anywhere, "so I am sending this modest check for any 'incidentals' which, like the gremlins, always seem to appear." The members of the reunion committee appreciate her generous donation very much.

Big news from the Texas contingent, via Chic Noble, concerns elaborate plans for a get-together of the North and South Texas West Point societies on the occasion of the ARMY-SMU game in Dallas on 13 October. The San Antonio group is scheduling two busses for the 5-hour trip to Dallas, each complete with "hospitality section." The two Societies plan to unite in a party before the game at 7:30 p.m. as well as a breakfast after the game before the return to San Antonio. Members of the Washington group, who will have to content themselves with a trip to Annapolis for the 150-lb. ARMY-Navy game, should be properly envious of the Texas goings-on. Chic also reports that Gladys Foss has been visiting relatives in Houston, and that the Springers were in Colorado Springs, visiting their daughter. Their son Bob stopped in San Antonio during the summer on his way to Vietnam. The Nobles, who spent the summer in Laguna Beach, California, as they have for many years, stopped en route in El Paso to see George Elms. A recent illness had kept George from his usual round of judging horse shows, but he hoped to resume this activity at a Houston show in September.

Count Wilson writes that the Al Moores have moved from Los Gatos to: 1136 Brace Ave., San Jose, Calif. 95125. He also tells us of a most enjoyable dinner party Al Wedemeyer gave at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco on 30 July for members of the Class, including three class widows. Those in attendance were: Polly Armstrong, Bicky Hewett, Marion Sheehy, Linc and Elsie Dillaway, Barry and Vere de Vere Hutchins, Roly and Emily McNamee, Al and Mary Moore, Ike and Charlotte Ritchie, Harold and Ruth Ruth, Jack and Betty Vance, and Count and Dorothy Wilson. Others in the area were invited but were unable to attend. Ike and Margie Lawrence were expected in San Francisco in mid-August en route to their home near Sarasota, Florida, from a cruise to the Orient.

A final note concerns the 50th. Count Wilson has designed and had produced a reunion button, and advance copies are in the hands of several of the Washington members. Count says: "I will have sufficient for all those in attendance at the reunion. This is not a charge on the class fund." We are all most grateful to Count for this very welcome souvenir of what promises to be the event of the century.

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Again, these Notes must open with sad news. Ray Bullene died suddenly on 5 July 1967, and was buried in the West Point Cemetery. Bill Bessell writes that he, Chit-terling, Johnston E.C., and McCullough and their wives attended the service. Ray and Eleanor lived in Highland Falls, and both had been in poor health for some time. As reported in the last Notes, they had recovered to the point where Eleanor was able to bring Ray to the Alumni Exercises last June in a wheelchair—which made his sudden death all the more of a shock to family and friends.

Also, Bill Bessell sent word of the death of Eleanor "Puss" Handy, Harold Handy's widow, at Fort Ord, California, on 7 August 1967. She was buried in West Point Cemetery. The Bessells and Johnstons E.C. attended the graveside services. Word has also been received of George Barhydt's death on 2 June 1967.

On 28 July, Clovis Byers assembled a group of nine classmates for luncheon at the Army-Navy Club with Clarence Clendenen. Clarence was in Washington doing some research on a book he is writing on American military operations in Mexico, to be published later by Macmillan. He is still with Stanford U., where he earned a Ph.D. in 1959. The Class is proud to have one so eminent in the field of learning. Charley Holle and Jack Seybold, roommates of Clendenen, were among others at the luncheon. Clarence remarked that, with the help of two engineers, he was able to make the Cavalry.

Clovis Byers recently went to Kwajalein Island in connection with his company's establishment of an Altair satellite tracking station there.

On the subject of degrees, Lem Lemnitzer was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by George Washington U. last June. An item in a recent Army-Navy *Journal* records that Lem, at a ceremony honoring his completion of 25 years of continuous active duty as a general officer, observed that he probably holds another record among active duty officers—he served 15 years as a lieutenant!

Lem writes that he and Kay have finally moved to Belgium after commuting back and forth between Belgium and Paris every week for 4½ months. They live in Mons, Belgium, in a small chateau provided by the Belgian government. Work is progressing in the construction of support facilities for SHAFE Hq near Mons.

Word comes from various sources that George Honnen has been seriously ill in Charleston, S.C., but is now improving.

Jim Cullum writes that he retired as a general partner of Eastman Dillon, Union Securities & Co., on 28 February 1966, and since then he and his wife, Ross, have traveled extensively. They have postponed plans to settle on Montserrat Island, British West Indies, because of a 6-month quarantine requirement for their miniature poodle on entry, and on each subsequent return from visits off the island. They are now settled in Avalon, N.J. On a recent trip they visited Marge and Art McCullough in Hunt, Tex., and while they were there were entertained by Bunky and Bill Withers in Kerrville, who had with them Betty and Bob Kreuter on a trip from California.

To quote Jim: "Despite retirement and a

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trick ankle that keeps me off the golf course, my various hobbies have prevented me from suffering from boredom, even though I have pretty well withdrawn from the hobby my West Point roommates will remember best—the reading of science fiction. Earlier this year, Syracuse University announced a project for the collection of material in the field, and in May I made the university a donation consisting of my own magazine collection and other material through the year 1960. It came to a total shipping weight of about half a ton.

"My remaining active hobbies are Wine and Chess, both designedly written with initial caps. The former, which I started just after Repeal, has had an eminently practical side in that it has enabled me to maintain a rather respectable wine cellar at minimum cost, but it has also brought me into association with some very delightful people through my directorship in the Wine and Food Society, and it was the activating factor for the most enjoyable European trip I have ever taken—a vineyard tour in the fall of 1964. Both Ross and I were so pleased with the affair that I am thinking seriously of organizing a similar tour, probably for the fall of 1969, and would like to hear from anyone who might be interested in participating.

"One thought more. Ross and I would be more than pleased to hear from any classmates in the vicinity. And remember, Avalon isn't very far from Washington. We are off on 4 Aug for a month in England, but will be back in September and will stay until December. Telephone number: 609-967-7209."

On 12 August, George Doolittle, Selby and Jim Stratton, and Anne and Charles Holle attended a ceremony for the placing of a bronze plaque at Conchas Dam, near Tucumcari, N.Mex., honoring Brig. Gen. Hans Kramer, USMA June '18, who was the district engineer there during the construction of the dam. Jim Stratton was on duty at Conchas during the construction period, and Charles Holle was a close friend of Hans, Alice, and their son, "Bunny." George Doolittle's home is in Albuquerque. He is active in public affairs in New Mexico, and he furnished automobile transportation for the Strattons from Albuquerque to Conchas. Rosalie Doolittle could not accompany them because she was hospitalized with a minor illness. On the preceding evening Bertha and Henry Hannis entertained the Strattons and others who were in Albuquerque. The Strattons have since moved to Washington, D.C. and live at 20 Third St., NE., on Capitol Hill.

The class luncheons at the Army-Navy Club in Washington, monthly on the second Monday, get occasional out-of-town classmates. In July, Gus Vogel attended. He was on his way home from accompanying his wife, Mary, a Woman's Clubs of Virginia representative, to a meeting in England.

'21-'22

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Those Orioles and wives who were at the 45th Reunion exchanged all their class news very freely, and Bill Lawton's report on that event, together with the ASSEMBLY write-up and pictures, leave this department with little to add.

I do have this one sad note. Donald McGowan, one-time member of our Class, died at his home in Lawrenceville, N.J., on 24 Sept. A retired major general, McGowan

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

had been chief of the National Guard Bureau from 1959 to 1963. At the time of his death, he was vice president, National Temple Hill Assn, Vails Gate, N.Y. (Director of Construction). He is survived by his widow Helen, by three sons, and a daughter.

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Biddle reports that about 55 have indicated that they will attend our 45th Reunion and that there are some 20 more potentials. What disturbs him and the committee is that about 120 have not answered the questionnaire in the reunion bulletin. Your replies are helpful not only to Bill but also to others who are concerned with addresses and poop on what you are doing. If you are, or might be, among that 120, how about giving us an answer, pronto? We know that some will have difficulty making final decisions far ahead, but, even though Bill has reserved 15 extra spaces at the Holiday Inn, any of you who contemplate staying there and have not yet done so, should notify Bill without delay, because he will have to release any rooms not required just about the time you see this.

All of us have been pleased to find a good number of replies from class widows. We hope more will be forthcoming. There are no significant changes in plans for class affairs. There will be a second reunion bulletin which may possibly reach you before these Notes.

Greetings

From the strife-torn city of Milwaukee, his home town, Bredster sends us warmest greetings and asks that we do our damndest to make the 45th. He suggests that since so many of us are now retired or in positions where getting away is not as difficult as it used to be, we include this great event in our plans.

Paragraphs on People

Scheetz seems to be back in good shape. He reports: Sears has retired from the VA and says he will now walk or sweep the streets. The Dwyers plan to attend the reunion of the 102d Div in Columbus, Ohio. (Reliable informants advise me that P-Roy did a splendid job as regimental commander in that fine unit in WWII.) The Bruce Kings were due to visit Expo 67 in September.

Hicks says he and Helen like Oregon and that their lives center around their daughters; one is in high school, the other in Willamette U. In addition he plays golf and lays his addiction to the game on Harmony.

Stone D.F. has relocated at 5300 Washington St., Hollywood, Fla. 33021. He elaborates: "I am buying a 2-bedroom condominium for what I consider a reasonable price. The project includes pool, community house, putting green, and later, a golf course. The only objection I have is the 25% down payment plus fees (of which there are many) we senior citizens have to pay.

"Senior Citizens' represent a very definite group down here. We have to pay more down on housing, have restrictions on auto



1923: At the baseball game against Navy during June Week. Tredennick is skeptical, Dorothy is more philosophical.

insurance that other drivers do not have, but we do get special rates at such places as bowling alleys. When I was first asked if I was a 'senior citizen,' I answered, 'Huh?' but I soon learned, just as one learned to be Mr. Dumbjohn at the Academy. Despite the senior citizen classification, I like it very much down here."

Wong will be 70 by the time you read this. He is still in Tokyo but has three sons, George, John, and William in California. He is piping a trip to the U.S.

Fowler is a lay minister in the Congregational Church. He has written an excellent sermon based on Matthew 10: 23-39. It is entitled: "Not Peace, But a Sword." It shows that there is ample biblical support for engaging in war to defend freedom, liberty, and the right of self-determination. It ends with these words: "I am willing to trust to God's judgment between the man who burns his draft card and the American flag in public and the soldier who expends his life in the jungles of Vietnam."

Workman writes: "I retired from my teaching job in June and was given a fine send-off by my colleagues at Southern Tech. I admit it is a rather macabre feeling to see your name as professor emeritus engraved on a plaque in the lobby at the school. Somewhat like seeing your own tombstone. Otherwise I am quite happy to be through with routine labors and am not finding time hanging heavy on my hands. Louise seems better than a year ago but does not like doctors or their ministrations. Jim is doing well in R&D in the Pentagon. He has seven daughters. Ann lives in Pittsburgh with two sons and her husband, a professor in psychology at Carnegie Tech. She is a clinical psychologist and a Ph.D. also. They are going to London next summer where her husband will have a special teaching job."

Osborne has retired from his position with a brick company here in Washington. He is planning a round-the-world trip to begin at the end of September.

Enslow's son, Philip Jr., has been in Vietnam since April. Charlotte and Phil Sr., made a 31-day air tour of South America this spring.

Serig's comments carry a couple of morals. "Bill Biddle told me that you had asked for pictures of the Class taken at Alumni Exercises in June. I was the only one with a camera, but unfortunately it was loaded with color film. After the luncheon I went to the PX to get black and white film, but arrived there a few minutes after they closed for the day. So I drove down to Highland Falls and finally got some, but by the time I was

ready for action I couldn't find anyone except the Tredennicks. Enclosed is a picture of them attending (but not enjoying) the ARMY-Navy baseball game. I am enclosing some of the color pictures, even though you probably won't be able to use any of them. The one with all five of us was taken by no less a person than the President of the Association of Graduates himself!"

Palmer H.K. writes: "Hair is getting grey, but golf score improves. Here's a brief rundown. Retired from the Army in 53; retired from insurance business (own agency) in 64, and, retired from teaching high school math in 66. Now I am in real estate and planning a move to Florida where I have a real estate job waiting. Besides, I fight bugs better than I fight unions or shovel snow. Otherwise, all goes well."

Buell and his wife stopped in the Washington area on the last leg of a long trailer trip. I have previously reported some of the lessons they have learned from considerable experience in this form of travel. They will be at Lady Lake for a time and then take off on a trip to western Mexico.

Ray Pierce and Mary made two short stops in Washington in the course of their round-the-world trip. They recount interesting experiences in Australia, New Zealand, the Middle East, and Europe. Before going on to California they visited one son at West Point, another at Fort Sill, and Mary's relatives in Ohio. Weikert and Mary came up from Maitland, Florida, to attend a wedding in Washington in August. They had a party for the Pierces while here.

Lucas has settled at 91 Rutledge St. in Charleston, S.C., after his retirement from the real estate business in Ohio.

Laning is teaching English in the Sandusky (Ohio) High School. He is planning a book on a railroad which became a major part of the New York Central just before WWI. He spurns auto travel and makes all his major trips by train. On a visit to the West Coast the Lanings had dinner with the

Harmonys, Binnse, and Whites J.H. in San Francisco. I saw Paul and the man who will do the illustrations for his book in the course of a visit to my sister in Fremont, Ohio. I found Paul enthusiastic about USMA and his abbreviated stay in our Class. His recollections about people and events in our plebe year are amazing and gratifying.

Budding Diplomat

Timberman's son, Thomas F., is 3d Secy at the U.S. Embassy in Bern, Switzerland. He entered the Foreign Service upon graduation from the Georgetown Foreign Service School. He was authorized to continue his studies in law and received his LL.B. from Georgetown Law School in 1966.

Perpetual Motion on the West Coast

The '23 group in California seems to be on a continuous jump-and-jive. Here is Trooper Price's description of the doings where the accompanying picture was taken. "The picture shows the gang at Jud and Verne McGehee's swimming pool party at their home on 29 July. I have dallied in getting the pictures on the road. After I busted myself to get the prints made up, the mailing department fell apart! Jud's son, Bill, and daughter-in-law assisted in the food and drink department with grace and charm, showing that, like southern hospitality, filial piety still exists. I especially appreciate their teamwork in plying the court photographer with gin and tonic. Deceased classmates were charmingly represented by Lucille Tudor, Ruth Johnson, and Virginia Post. Lest we jam you and the ASSEMBLY Editor, I have refrained from sending pix of Jud and son Bill sweating it out in the billowing smoke of the barbecue pit; Virginia Post, decorating the rim of the pool with a background of admiring troops; Pesek taking over as bartender with military pomp and ceremony as three stout characters, simulating a color guard, with innovations in uniform, lowered the colors; and, prize picture of them all, Peggy relaxing from her duties as deputy



1923: The McGehees were hosts at a party in their home in July. Left to right (front row): White J.H., Pesek, Elizabeth Palmer, Jazz Harmony, Loriena Price, Marge Fitzmaurice, Jud McGehee. Second row: Herb Enderton, Lucile Tudor, Glenn Palmer, Marian Enderton, Elinor Buckley, Ruth Johnson, Vern McGehee, Alice White, Marion Harmony. Standing: Jim Fitzmaurice, Harriette Pesek, Agnes Garrecht, Virginia Post, Art Garrecht, Mike Buckley.

hostess demonstrating how to look at a camera man. They were all good—too good—so I had to settle for a group shot. When Bill McGehee decided that old Trooper should get into the scene, we finally figured how to make the highly sophisticated camera Jeff Binns gave me last year, do such a job. But we outsmarted ourselves in feeding corrections into the machine and clipped three stalwarts from the left side of the scene, so we settled for the one you now have.”

A Travel Saga

Chambers submitted the following after-action report: “Molly and I departed Largo, Florida, 18 May. First non-motel stop—Tulsa, Okla. Beautiful city. Visited Francis J. (Babe) Wilson '22, and wife, Pat. Then, a couple of delightful days with Kenner and Anne Hertford in Albuquerque, where we met the charming and worshiped young daughter, Anita. Talked with Rosy Wolf on the phone in Denver; he is very busy in politics. Three glorious days with Fritz and Roma Breidster in Milwaukee. A week at my home in Monroe, Wisconsin. A couple of wonderful days with Dud and Ann Roth in Erie, Pa., then to New England for a few weeks, visiting our sons and their families. Stopped a few days in Washington for our annual visit with Wog and Jody Towle, then back home on 16 July.”

Now It Can Be Told

In response to my request to tell us what had happened to him since his days at USMA, Arch F. Coleman wrote: “For about 45 years I have been ‘adventure-prone’; something screwball is always happening to me. My latest adventure was being high-jacked on the high seas by Cuban *banditos* who seized the freighter we were on just off the coast of Florida. We had shipped our car and ourselves (self, wife, and daughter) from Miami for a vacation in Guatemala and back home through Mexico to Virginia Beach. But here’s a quick summary: Two years as a banana planter in Guatemala, late 1920’s. In Mexico 12 years as U.S. Trade Commissioner for the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, then in oil business, and finally with my own heavy machinery business in Mexico City. 1940 to 1945, a cloak-and-dagger spy in a group that became the O.S.S. under Wild Bill Donovan. Chief instructor and director of secret school for training undercover agents. Several months in Spain and Egypt. Last 2 years of WWII in Istanbul as spy-master for a group of European agents (German, Austrian, Hungarian, Polish, Greek). Civil engineer and part owner of a company to train and reclaim 320,000 acres of the Dismal Swamp in North Carolina and Virginia. For the past 5 years I have taught economics to the 12th grade students in this Tidewater region by television—WHRO-TV, Channel 15.

“It has been said that I am now studying to play the piano in one of those well known houses, that being about the only thing I have not yet done! The foregoing reads like a lot of stuff, but unfortunately it is true. I am a member of the Fort Monroe West Point Society.”

Yes, Mr. Ducrot, There Is a “Podunk”

It is in Massachusetts, and that earthshaking discovery was made for us by Wendell Johnson while he was at their summer place in Maine. They also rediscovered the Woppie Whites who live there, and met with the Ken Sweanys who make an annual safari to the area. After taking their sons and fami-

lies to the ARMY-Duke game they will come back here to their home in Leisure World.

And When Our Work Is Done . . .

Love died while playing golf with business associates on 23 June at Warminster, Pa. He was buried at West Point on 27 June. Molly and John Chambers and Caroline and Pete Leone represented the Class at the services. Those of us who attended the 42½ found Eddie and his new bride, Fran, pleasant company on that memorable occasion.

Vincent came to Walter Reed for an operation on his hip this past summer. He was a cheerful patient and seemed to be doing very well until other illnesses set in and led to his death on 16 August. He was buried at Arlington on 21 August. Wife Mary, their two sons (both in the Army—one just back from Vietnam), and a number of classmates were in attendance. Chaplain Luther Miller conducted the services.

Thanks

By now most of you know that Agnes lost her long fight for life on 4 August. She was buried in Arlington on 8 August. The messages from so many of you were greatly appreciated by her children, by mine, and of course, by me. Some of you mentioned the inadequacy of words on such occasions. I can assure you that no matter what the words are, they meet the deep need to know that the departed one is admired, and that she and you are not forgotten in this trying time. You have our most sincere thanks for giving us that comforting assurance.

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It is with great regret that we announce the deaths of William J. Cleary and Gordon B. Rogers. Bill died on 22 May and was buried in the family plot in Jersey City. Gordon had been in and out of Walter Reed over a period of several months. He died on 2 July and was buried in Arlington. Many of the area Herd attended the funeral.

The Class extends its condolences to Kess and Ruth Kessinger and Zero and Betty Wilson whose sons were killed in action in Vietnam. John Kessinger was killed in July and was buried in Arlington. Gail Wilson was killed on 3 September and was buried in Houston.

Bill Williams (John F.) has retired for the second time; this time after 20 years as assistant commandant of The Citadel. The Classes of 1952 and 1961 dedicated their yearbooks to Bill. At his retirement parade he was presented an engraved sword from the Corps of Cadets. He will live in Charleston, S.C.

This will be the last year at Bordentown



1924: Sign leading to the Mickey Marcus Memorial in Israel.

Military Institute for the Benzes. They have decided to return to Bradenton, Fla., in August 1968. Their son Ted is doing graduate work at the U. of Florida towards a Ph.D. in math.

Dutch Rothgeb has retired as vice president and dean of the Coronado Technical School. He now spends much of his time working in his garden. Having been an army officer, schoolteacher, farmer, member of the state legislature, officer of many civic organizations, and a Republican, he is due a rest!

On their recent trip to Israel, just before the Arab-Israeli War, Dan and Virginia Hundley took the picture that appears with this column. They then drove a short distance off the main road to see the Mickey Marcus Memorial.

Bob Lawes has retired for the second time after teaching math and physics for 21 years.

Dorethe Parnly's oldest grandchild, Elizabeth Parnly, married David Leo Caul on 12 August at West Point. She was given away by her father Lt. Col. Eleazar Parnly IV. While young ladies are getting married all the time, this wedding is of special interest as we believe she is the first granddaughter of the Class to be married. (P.S. Since I wrote this I found out that Mae Elliott is a great-grandmother! Any other claims should be referred to the new secretary.) Another first is the promotion of Jim and Mildred Moore's son-in-law, Jim Shanahan, to BG.

Hazel and Junior Van Way are also proud grandparents for the first time with the arrival of Charles Van Way III. His father, Dr. Charles Van Way II, is the first recipient of an N.I.H. grant for research and clinical study at Vanderbilt Medical Center.

Lorraine Gants sent in the following item about the “Scampering Herd.” Her son, John Claybrook Jr., has returned from Vietnam and is now with the Combat Development Command at Fort Belvoir.

In June the Gil Millers went to Wisconsin for a family reunion. The Miller clan meets each year at the statue of Chief Oshkosh in Menominee Park on the shore of Lake Winnebago in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. This year, even though there was the threat of rain, 107 individuals representing 29 families were present.

Larry Adams's son Bob, '54, major, is at CONARC. Dick, '56, major, after 2 years at WP as a Tac, was tapped as Exchange Instructor at Sandhurst for a 2-year assignment and left for the United Kingdom on 1 July. He and his family are living “On the Cabbage Patch” there, in nice quarters, and enjoying it. Bill, No. 3, is an E-7, on the attaché staff at the embassy at Bangkok, after a 3-year ditto detail at Cairo.

The Alamo chapter had a party on 18 September.

Mary Bicher's two sons, with families, visited her in San Antonio last summer. George Jr., who recently completed a tour in Thailand, is now in Vietnam as a provincial advisor. Bill, who went Air Force, is now being prepared for a tour in Vietnam, beginning this spring.

Nye Elward has patented an orbiting top which works without a string. He hopes it will make him rich.

George and Fran Crosby's son-in-law, G.A. Brown, got back from Vietnam just as their son George, USMA '60, arrived in Vietnam.

Bill and Mu O'Connor's son Mort has settled his wife and six children in Tucson while he is in Vietnam.

Our daughter-in-law is teaching music in a school in Alexandria, Va., while our son is in Vietnam.

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Sam Strohecker was quite ill early this year but has been taking it easy and now feels much better. They saw Onto and Max Bragan on their recent trip to Seattle.

Ralph and Ginny Glasgow recently returned from a crisis-filled trip to Europe. To start with, on the way to the airport they discovered that Ginny's passport had expired, so they detoured to the State Department. Don't ask how she did it, but Ginny came out in 10 minutes with a valid passport. I doubt that the passport division will ever be the same again. In Geneva, a 4-speed, stick-shift, rented car was finally mastered and driven to Rolle to see Ginny's granddaughter who was in school there. They left Switzerland for Italy, riding in the car aboard a railway flat car. As Ginny's daughter Sally, her husband, and four children live in Venice, the Glasgows saw that city as few tourists do. Ralph's son Robert has left an assignment at the Naval Academy and is now with the 1st Infantry Division in Vietnam.

Frank Kreidel is still in Walter Reed but is making good progress. Cy Caywood wrote that he caught Frank's bug, as he had the same operation at Fitzsimons Hospital.

Duke Arnold was in the hospital for a while with an infected gland but is OK now. His son Joe has just returned from Vietnam. Daughter Betty spent the summer at their summer cottage riding herd on ten grandchildren. Lib keeps busy with golf, bridge, and her civic activities.

A large number of the Class are traveling. Jesse and Helen Wells spent the summer in Mexico. Dick and Bettie Stephens liked Mazatlan, Mexico, so much when they were there last winter that they plan to return for 2 months this winter, with side trips to other parts of Mexico.

George Lightcap had a reunion in England with his British hosts of WWII as well as revisiting the battlefields in France.

Bob and Georgia Cameron plan to tour the Orient this fall returning by way of Australia and Tahiti.

Erica and Sammy Samouce left for Europe in September. Their base of operations will be the Villa Holly on Lake Geneva. They will buy a car and visit various parts of Europe including Athens to see Loomis and Nancy Booth. Their two sons and son-in-law are all back from Vietnam.

Congressman Bill Cramer of the 8th District of Florida has asked Eddie White to be chairman of an advisory board to screen and select his candidates for the Service Academies. The board consists of retired graduates and no politics involved. It's working fine and has established some sort of a record this year by getting 14 candidates appointed with only 6 vacancies (via the qualified candidate route) 4 into West Point with only 1 vacancy! Mary and Eddie had the entire White "tribe" for two weeks this summer in the mountains of North Carolina. There were twelve altogether, including five grandchildren.

A note from George Vaughn informed me of the death of Beulah Rule on 27 August after a long illness.

A semi-annual dinner is planned for the

members of the Class in the northern California area at the officers club at Moffett Field on Saturday, 28 October. Classmates who might be in the vicinity at that time would be most welcome. Contact Ray Coombs or George Vaughn.

'25

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All of the summer travel reports and classmates' escapades are still not in, but enough laser beams are in to suggest that the sun never sets on the Class of '25.

The Clelands penetrated the Arctic Circle in springtime, but should be safely back in Spain by now. On their West Coast jaunt the Cabells spent a day or so with the Hurds, and Pearre survived a 4-hour horseback ride casing Pete's ranch and his greatly improved polo field.

The Joneses enjoyed their tours around Denmark, Sweden, etc., and since their return have entertained classmates with another of those wonderful parties at "Inverness," their country home. Francis and Nick Nicholas should be enjoying one of their retirement homes (in Louisville and Florida) by this time. No news from Versa and Swede Underwood since they settled in their beach home.

Red Newman reported that Mike DeArmand, who suffered a broken hip and an injured back falling from a ladder in his yard, is home from the hospital and recovering nicely. Red is still busy with his magazine articles; we still rate his account of his adventures at the Cavalry School (*Army*, September 1966) one of his best.

We report the passing of Paul Seleen (15 July) at Walter Reed with sadness. Only recently Paul had moved into an apartment nearby, and we were all looking forward to his joining our active, local contingent when he was suddenly stricken with this fatal heart attack.

Erma Caldwell visited here with her daughters, and Charlotte and Litt Roberts were also summertime visitors.

Sam Lansing, who has devoted much time and effort activating his Florida spread, finally had to admit that air-conditioning and other creature comforts kept him indoors during much of the hot, wet summer. Sam maintains a lively interest in governmental affairs and can still pen a caustic line in voicing his opinions.

Sam Dickson has published a brief history of Arlington Cemetery which is worthy of attention and should be of interest to veterans' organizations as well as individuals.

Claibourne Hale is another writer who has produced a truly interesting book on the colonial wars. It appears to be not only complete in detail, but gives very concise accounts of every engagement of the period.

Kay Burns keeps us up to date on their travels. She and Don spent 6 weeks in Mexico then flew to Hawaii. They have family and grandchildren scattered in so many interesting places.

Betty and Ralph Tibbetts were looking forward to a visit from daughter Leslie and their three grandsons. A card signed by: Willems, Neprud, Dickson, Finn, and Myer indicated that they had lunched together "celebrating the 15,357th day since graduation." Marcel Crombez was reported as being "at the track."

Don Bailey was in Walter Reed but was

out in time for our last luncheon. Mike Geraghty, who also spent some time in Walter Reed, is home now and gaining back some lost weight.

Jack Chamberlain was busy teaching summer school 5 days a week. Lew Riggins wrote that Edith and he are "down to one boy now" (out of four). Son Jean seemed to have everything going for him (scholarship, athletics, etc.) on his way to the Point until his final eye check. When he couldn't pass that test he went into the Service. Son Rick is home from the 7th Fleet and prepping for A&M; son Norm is an engineer, and son Mike is a Junior in high school.

Sol Senior still works for the governor of New York. Benny Bennett keeps busy with four civic activities. Evelyn Sears wrote that daughter Nancy, her husband (Nottingham), and their two daughters spent several weeks with them before sailing for Bremerhaven. Ralph Jr. was down from Baltimore for a few days. Ralph Sr. is in good shape, but Evelyn says she gauges the weather by arthritis.

Bruce Clarke delivered a splendid message on Vietnam to the Lions International in New York City's Madison Square Garden. Some 22,000 people gave Bruce a standing ovation, and the address has since been included in the *Congressional Record* (pp. 17, 532-3-4).

Peg and Dave Bradford visited son Bill who was in training at Eglin AFB. They see Maurice and George Peplow from time to time.

McGinness wrote a humorous note concerning some three "John McGinnesses" all of whom are graduates. Two have passed away (1917, 1918) but our John is looking forward confidently to our class reunion in 1970.

Mitch Giddens is fully retired (except for golf). He lives at 27 South Chase Drive, Denver. He spoke of an eye operation Rosaline was to have had at Fitzsimons in August.

Ray Toms has taken a new lease of life after visiting Walter Reed and is now piping reunion in 1970.

We have a grand letter from Miss Betty Honnald (Mary and Wally's third daughter) despite the sad news she had to report. Mary has suffered several strokes and is permanently hospitalized. Mary Ann, the middle daughter, died some years ago. Claire Jane, whom many of us remember from Hawaiian days, has a nice family of three children; and Betty, an enthusiastic student at our own Kirkpatrick's Law School, is due to graduate this December.

We are indebted to Willis '24, for the new address for Mrs. O.C. Maier (10649 Hale Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60643). We now look for word about Grace Dudley whose mail is returned from Boulder, Colorado.

Pete Liwski continues to work on his mountain retreat, and now that he has retired from teaching he has purchased a lavish travel car for touring.

We Dunns are happy to have daughter Carol and family relocated from New York to the New Jersey Lakes district where their home has housed as many as 15 in-laws over a weekend, and the grounds have ample running room for small fry. With our son-in-law (International Sales) out of the country much of the time, we look forward to frequent visits with our charming granddaughters.

Please send accounts of summer experiences so we can get out a new issue (direct mailing) without delay.

As usual, the deadline for these Notes has arrived suddenly, and your Scribe finds himself frantically checking his papers to be sure the fine response from the area scribes is properly set down and that this column is in the mail before all is lost! Since I don't have a retained copy of the last set for the summer issue I have to trust to memory to avoid repetition. I can see that "an organized and efficient desk and set of files" are a must in this business, and will proceed to do something about that—I hope, I hope!

First, I got a fine "refresher course" on 1 Sept in Washington when I visited Freddie and Elsie Munson and went over all his experiences and notes, files, and memories. As you all know, he was the previous Scribe and deserves many a kudos for the very excellent job he did. We stayed up late in the process, and thoroughly reviewed our contributions to the victorious war in the Pacific during WWII, and, the later it got, the greater they became! By the way, if any of you want a fine Japanese dinner or meal when you are in the Washington area, call Fred or Elsie and get them to tell you where we went—really Japanese, and great food, cooked right at the table.

By now you all should have received two poopsheets from our secretary, one sad one from Rod Smith, and the other from our new president, "Admiral" Sims, which outlined the new class organization and his future plans for '26. It was a fine letter, and I commend it to all. We are all going to work hard to help him make it work, and we look forward to the future with pleasure. No more will be said in these columns about such things, as it has been decided the separate poopsheet, which goes to all classmates for whom we have addresses, is the best way to get the word around.

Ralph Osborne has given us a lot of grist for the mill, both old and new, and it looks as though he is relishing getting his teeth into this job of area scribe in the Texas and nearby region (only 1,000 miles or so for his whole region).

His first item is a newsy letter from Bob and Mimi Broadhurst in Crowley, La., where Bob is senior partner of Broadhurst, Davis, Clostio, and Pinac, prominent certified public accountants for that whole area of Louisiana. He reports he has "the same wife, Mimi, the same two boys Bob Jr., and Bill, and still only two grandchildren." They live more or less at the corner of U.S. highway 90 and I-10 and hope that some of the '26ers will stop by when going that way. They say that both boys are married and that their own home seems bigger than ever, with plenty of room for visitors. They added that, after attending the 40th last fall, they made a 7,000-mile tour through New England and Canada, so as not to be late for Expo 67!

Ralph reports no luck yet in contacting Trooper Doyle or Johnnie Elliott, but hopes to see both of them at a football game over at State College, where A&M is trying to vie with Texas in big-time football. That is real ambition, from what I gather!

Another item reports that Guy Henderson has become somewhat of a recluse after a recent auto wreck left him with some serious injuries. However, Ralph concluded, he must not be so bad off because his wife Mary uses the "Honey Ho" spirit to keep him going as master gardener, chauffeur, Asst cook, er-

rand boy, shopper, and general factotum around the place.

More from Texas. It seems Ralph sees Stag Stagliano frequently around town in San Antonio, and that he is looking as fit as the proverbial fiddle. Stag walks at 128 per for about an hour every evening, and since sidewalks are uncommon in his area, Stag sez he walks facing traffic, and when a car comes, he jumps onto the curb for safety's sake. Sounds like a pretty chancy thing to me!

The rest of the Texas report is in Ralph's own words. Concerning Egon Tausch: "I find that he is back at the old trade of restoring old homes as he did in Georgetown, D.C. He is now working on an old beauty of a ranch home, built about the time of the Civil War, on his 432-acre ranch north of San Antonio. Egon says that with his herd of 45 registered herefords and the restoration job he doesn't lack for hard work. On weekends he is with the Texas Good-Neighbor Commission in Austin as coordinator of migrant labor, a job he has held since 1959. His son Richard got his Master's at the U. of Texas last year and now is a Regular Army first lieutenant in Germany.

"Benny Thurston (long time no see!) has left the Southwest and is now settled in Seattle. He reports that while chasing uranium in the Southwest, he had a large strike that looked very promising, but the deposits turned out not to be commercial grade. He sez he would have been better off to have sold out while the affair was hot, but 'greediness usually has its own reward, and we were rewarded!' After that he spent more than a year tramping around Arizona, Colorado, and Utah, chasing copper and tungsten, and then the bottom fell out of that market. Since that time he has been and plans to continue teaching math, English, and reading. His daughter is an M.D., married to an M.D., and living in Taiwan, Formosa. The elder boy is a Navy lieutenant stationed at Sandia, N.Mex. The youngest is in Raymond College, Stockton, Calif. Benny continues with his chess playing and is doing fairly well as indicated by his landing in the top third in the U.S. Open last summer.

"Skeet Van Meter is in Amarillo and sez they live in a state of stagnation and an almost complete vacuum in a small wooden red shack, but room enough to accommodate friends who come by, and food better than can be produced in any of the so-called restaurants in their area. (Sounds like we should try out this establishment sometime.) He and Rosie have one son in Des Moines, one married daughter, and two younger daughters, Marietta and Chris, queens of the local younger set. Also, five granddaughters make them gravitate north and northeast whenever travel time comes."

Ralph's own report follows: "We have been staying close to home here in San Antonio, but did make a recent trip over to Memphis to see granddaughter Robin graduate from high school. Our son-in-law is a Navy submariner, flyer, and now doctor, and is figuring on retiring from the Navy next year. They have two grandsons, one a senior in high school and the other in 3d grade. I should really hang out a shingle as general repairman, electrician, plumber, carpenter, clock-fixer, and primarily subcontractor for all kinds of household chores."

All in all, sounds like the Texas area is "situation normal" and carrying on in the best traditions of that area. Connie and I want to make a swing through that area

soon and check on the veracity of these reports.

The news from Villanova is: "I have retired from RCA as of 31 Aug, and am now in the ranks of the fully unemployed, with a principle mission of learning how to play a decent game of golf, and to make like Ralph Osborne around our house in Villanova (which will continue to be our principle residence for sometime to come) and the one we have in Naples, Fla., where we will spend as much time in the winter as we can. By the way, I received a beautiful 10-year pin from RCA last 1 Dec and am very pleased with it!

"Our two warriors have just returned safely from a year in SEA, Jerry Ank from Thailand where he was Base Ops for Col. Robin Olds, newly appointed Commandant of Cadets at the AF Academy; and Dave Corderman from Saigon, where he was in charge of Autodin and other parts of the automated communications system for that area of the war zone.

"We hope to see a lot more of all of you guys and gals, especially those in areas other than Northeast, since we plan to be on the road a lot, trying to see our five children and eight grandchildren, disposed as they are in Dallas, Minneapolis, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and one other place still to be determined! It will be fun getting around, anyway."

Will close with Spud Murphy's always fine report from the West Coast, which stands on its own feet very nicely, thank you! All for now.

From the Northwest area, which now includes Johnny McFarland in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Hal Forde in Denver, Colo., I have a fine report from Eddie Watson:

"At long last some news that might be worth putting in ASSEMBLY. On Friday, 21 July, had a phone call at my office from one, Alec Sewall. Seems he and his bride had been touring Yellowstone, and on the way back to San Francisco stopped off in Portland to see the Watsons and Matthiases. The Sewalls entertained the Watsons royally in the new wing of the Multnomah Athletic Club Friday night, and we got hold of the wandering, traveling Matthiases and did a repeat job at the same place Saturday night.

"Then Sunday the Matthiases entertained the Sewalls for brunch at their home in Terwilliger Heights. We couldn't go Sunday; had to go to the airport to meet Susie our granddaughter who will be with us about a week before Ted takes her to a girl's camp, Camp Tamarack, where her mother Happy went when she was in grade and high school."

Monterey area: Ken McNaughton writes that he, Greasy Condon, and Greasy's son Reynolds 19, had just returned from a successful fishing expedition in the Trinity Alps region of northwestern California. "Mr. Clearwater," wife Ruth, son Reynolds, and daughter Katherine left Florida on 1 Aug and drove west through their old home in Iowa, then to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and on to San Francisco, fishing and sightseeing along the way. Ken met them at Sacramento and detached Greasy and Reynolds to go north to Trinity while Ruth and Katherine continued on to San Francisco. Reynolds flew back to enter school on 20 Aug, and the rest of the family went on down to spend a few days with the McNaughtons at Pebble Beach before starting a leisurely return home. Ken says that the savings and loan business agrees with Greasy and that he looks fine in his 1967 Cadillac.

Ken reports further that Paul Carroll has been away (showing visiting grandsons

America first.) Paul Hamilton is still teaching at the Robert Louis Stevenson School, where he is very well thought of. Paul Black recently broke 90 and is eyeing the pros rather critically.

Southern California area: No news again from this area. When last heard from, Harry Grizzard was teaching math and physics at Claremont, Dave Van Syckle had just retired from Aerojet and was engaged in selling his home in order to become "completely mobile" in preparation for extensive traveling. Harry Johnson was awaiting the arrival of his replacement so he could retire from Lockheed and possibly move north to Monterey or San Francisco.

San Francisco Bay area: Gen and I had a pleasant visit from our son Jerry and family in July. The two older boys, Mike 14 and Tim 12, flew out alone from Cleveland Heights for a short private visit and were joined a week later by Jerry, Shirley, and the two little girls, Betsy 7, and Cindy 4. Three weeks later, worn out but happy, we put the family on the plane for the return trip via Disneyland.

Big and Bob Nourse will have a similar family reunion at Xmas time. Joan has become a conventioner in a big way. As a delegate-at-large she recently attended a convention in West Virginia. In November she will attend the cerebral palsy convention in Chicago and in mid-December, the speech and hearing convention in San Francisco, remaining afterwards for a Xmas visit. In the meantime, young Bob '55, now a major, finished his ROTC tour at U. of New Hampshire last June and was sent to the Civil Affairs School at Camp Gordon in preparation for service in Vietnam. He will visit briefly with Big and Bob in late September before departing from Travis AFB in early October. His Ann and the three children will wait out the Vietnam tour at their home at Durham, N.H., but will fly out for a Xmas visit while Joan is here.

The Hawthornes also had summer visitors. Daughter Helen, her husband, Lewis Overton, and new grandson, Thomas William, arrived for a 2-week visit from Rye, N.Y., where Lewis is employed by the Stauffer Chemical Co. Bill Jr., begins his third (of five) year at Stanford Medical School this fall.

The Bradys have returned from an interesting trip to France and England. Marge took a course for foreign students at the U. of Rennes. During the course she and Brook lived in a small hotel in the walled town of St. Malo where only French was spoken. Marge says the exchange of ideas with students from all over the world, with only French as a common denominator, was fascinating. Marge and Brook also had an extraordinary canalboat trip through the fields of central England. They lived on a towed (by a power boat) boat for a week. Brook says: "The canals are only 12 ft. wide and the boats only 8 ft. wide, but there's such clever use of space that they have bunks and a dining room—right chummy, though! We went through 11 locks in a row designed to take boats down 80 ft. We saw this part of England at a walk."

Dave Kirchhoff, the youngest and tallest (6ft. 4in.) of Art's three tall sons, graduated in June from San Francisco State College. His immediate future is a bit nebulous due to his age and draft status.

See you all in the winter issue. 'Bye now.

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This fall report will feature two photographs of the late Fabulous Fortieth Reunion which permits those who participated to find themselves and the less fortunate to observe two jolly groupings. Most appropriate and most appealing seemed the one of the men in reunion pose and the second with the ladies enjoying the company and surroundings of the terminal picnic with Ray and Mary Bell at their home in Cornwall, picnicking that many wrote in to praise. The fine '27 group picture seems to center nicely around the joyful smile of Bernard Rose in the front row. The second revolves around Woody "Weismuller" Burgess, in athletic uniform and with essential party equipment, despite the distraction offered by the feminine pulchritude seen everywhere.

Perhaps mention should next be made of the "mini-reunion" of '27 in San Francisco and vicinity, held by Henry and Janet Douglas at their place in Sausalito on 10 June. Doug reported as present the Axups, Berrigans, Carlocks, Gardner (clear from Tampa, to visit sister Janet, too), Hockers, Jenningses, Peirces, Roths, and Towners. Regrets included the Davidsons, Fookses, McManuses, Pachynskis, Parsells, and Whittles. Doug included mention of the fortunate discovery by Mary Berrigan of sufficient cartons of wooden matches bearing the important number "27" to distribute them to each of the Class present. Had there been a noise meter there, said Doug, "the needle would have run clear off the scale at the height of the party." He added a typical Engineer note: that as a Class we may consider ourselves mystically "blessed with the magic number 3, i.e., $3^3=27$."

The Scribe and spouse must mention most appreciatively a Washington area class party of utmost snap and vigor where they were guests of honor upon the occasion of the actual presentation of the inspiring Class of 1927 plaque with its some 140 signatures from all of you kind souls. Surely no Scribe has ever been better rewarded, and in a way that must surely be a unique Association first!

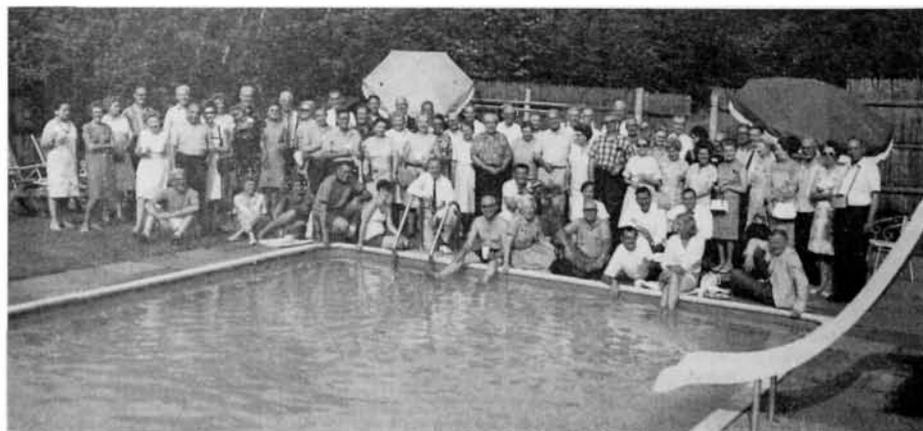
As for this party which Woody and Jean Burgess hosted at their new Vienna, Va., home on 29 July, suffice it to say that it was well and enthusiastically attended from near and far. The Burgesses, aided admirably by their George, Joan, and Phebe Burgess, had these guests that lovely evening: Bixels, Millers, Browns, Collinses, Hineses with son John and date, Holtzworth, Johnsons, Mat-

thewses, Ostenbergs, Pences, Thiebauds, Zwickers, Sterling, Betty Lovell, and the basking Lillards. Out-of-town celebrants were the Garlands, Peggs, and Hunters with brother and sister-in-law, Chuck and Esther Hunter. Those unable to make it were the Trapnells, Watlingtons, Kuters, Shaws, Peggy McGown, and Peggy Verbeck. It was, from all points of view, a grand gathering; even Woody's brilliant, exaggerated, speech accompanying the presentation of the beautiful plaque, and the shy, hesitant, bumbling response of the grateful recipient could not long dampen the conviviality of that hilarious assembly.

Turning westerly, we have from Paul Berrigan a fine after-action report of a joint exercise: the 1927 West Point-Annapolis party, 27 August, at the Admiral Nimitz Club on Treasure Island. "For the record," Paul wrote, "we had the Davidsons, Carlocks, Douglases, Hockers, Jenningses, McManuses, Parsells, Roths, and Berrigans. On the distaff side we had Margaret McLamb and Jane Peirce. Si had gone back to W. Va. to visit his folks." He reported that Chick McNutt was unable to get up from Santa Barbara. Hal Isaacson of Pacific Grove had to work at Camp Hunter Liggett and could not make it. Nellie Fooks, the other Monterey area resident, was working at Fort Sam. Chuck Stone of LA could not attend, nor could Ray Curtis of San Diego. The only really remorseful note from the joint "clambake" was Paul's observation that "9 Army cannot sing as loud as 25 Navy—Tom Hamilton led the Navy singing!" He then proudly recalled: "It seems to me that 1,200 cadets outsang 3,000 middies from 1923 to 1926—Look at the scores!"

Among other items of interest, Paul noted that Julian and Helen West, up from Texas to a Santa Cruz meeting, managed to get to SF, "their first return since they came back from the Philippines in 1929." He also included some other observations. "Tom McManus's Underground Construction Co. has Market Street torn up from one end to the other with his subway work." Art Roth, retired from his teaching, has put his photography hobby to work, taking construction pictures of Paul's job and making a fancy brochure for McManus. Gar Davidson heading up the Embarcadero Center, is going to fix up the end of Market Street near the Ferry Building. Paul adds: "It is about the only place that Tom McManus has not torn up!"

Blair Garland, in one of many complimentary evaluations of the success of the Burgess-Miller organization of the reunion, included in a June letter that his and Dot's



1927: The happy crowd at the picnic given by the Bells during June Week.



1927: The fortunate and faithful returnees gathered in front of the West Point Army Mess for our 30th Reunion photo.

son, Maj. Donald (Jake) Garland, Inf, after 3 months in the Delta in Vietnam, had in February stepped on a mine which shattered all the bones of the foot, but did not sever it. He was in Beaumont General Hospital, El Paso, at the time of Blair's writing. Modern surgery can do wonderful things, and we all pray for complete success with Maj. Jake Garland.

Jack Sterling, a welcome contributor, wrote that he regretted that he had to make the biennial Paris Air Show instead of the Fabulous Fortieth. Even interesting and perpetually enjoyable Paris could not distract him completely: "My thoughts strayed to the Hudson frequently." After Paris and a week in London, Jack spent several days in Vienna. While there, he had the pleasure of seeing Greta Doan, our Chubby's widow, who asked that he convey her "affectionate greetings to her many friends in the Class." Her address is: Stephansplatz 8A, 1010 Vienna, Austria.

The following is an assortment of items which have come to the desk from several sources, many from Woody Burgess and Mac Miller.

Ed Farrand has, since 1 Sept 1966, been the director of records, the registrar, of Central Texas College, Killeen, Tex. Ed went there from the presidency of St. John's Military Academy, Delafield, Wis. In late June, in forwarding an attractive C.T.C. brochure, Ed was busily pre-registering students! "Up to my ears but settled down here and very happy."

Janet Thorpe, reporting for the Thorpes after the reunion: "Our first class reunion at WP" she told of their 2 days at Expo 67, of the burnt-out railroad bridge in mid-Canada (an event which made necessary a long detour with resulting arrival at the U. of Wash. just an hour and a half before their daughter Janet's graduation), and of the very casual but activating announcement by last year's graduate, daughter Freddy, that she planned an August wedding. With problems abounding, including Fred and their boat (needing a little adjustment of bilge ventilation), her comment: "never a dull moment around here," seemed appropriate.

Barney and Eubie Daughtry, from the mathematics halls of the U. of Ga., in Athens, regretting their absence from the reunion, included the information that the youngest son, James W. Daughtry '54, now out of the Service and using his Ph.D. in Nuclear

Physics at the Argonne Laboratory near Chicago, is married and has two children. The youngest, Daniel James, 4 months, was the real cause for Daughtry's absence from West Point, there being insufficient time before the university summer session for two trips.

Sid Parsell ex-'27, "thanks to two fine ophthalmologists and eye surgeons," cheerfully reported that he was making good recovery from a detached retina suffered this past year, regaining 20/40 vision in the affected eye. Congratulations!

Forced to cancel his plane reservation for the Fortieth because of the death of a relative in Wisconsin, Fred Kunesh added a saddening correction of our class records, i.e., the death of his wife in 1964, news which had not previously reached your Scribe. Belated but sincere condolence from the Class, Fred.

Tony and Bee Luebbermann are "now in residence" (as of 1 June) at 560 N. Casey Key, Osprey, Fla. 33559. The new home, plus the need for young Tony Jr., (attending Columbia U.) to enter St. Luke's Hospital, and the 10 June graduation of daughter Mimi from Goucher College, precluded attendance at the reunion. Long before you read this, all should be well, and the Luebbermanns should be back from their summer fishing.

Now for a very current September item. Bob and Katherine Lowe, having fulfilled contractual obligations in Seoul as director of the American-Korean Foundation, are back at their Virginia home, at 7058 Idylwood Road, Falls Church. Katherine had suffered an attack of acute hepatitis in the spring, but she has recovered well. After a July departure from Korea and a few weeks near the grandchildren at Bonn (the children of daughter Katherine and her husband, Lt. Col. T.W. Knapp Jr., '49, Armor), the Lows closed, on 31 August, into their familiar Washington area, to which they are an unusually welcome addition.

And now for one last, lingering note from the Fortieth. "Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small." We have had that famous verse brought to mind by a report from "a completely unreliable source" alleging that our Watlington at the reunion had casually queried Fox Conner about the spelling of the middle name under Fox's picture in the HOWITZER. Thus, for the first time (on that Saturday afternoon,

3 June 1967) Fox noticed that his middle name was in fact incorrectly spelled—it should have been Brandeth, not Brandith as printed there on page 140. We trust that this discovery of a 40-year error will in no way disturb the amicable relations existing between Fox and the now venerable staff of that very venerable 1927 HOWITZER, Eddie Glavin and Dutch Holland.

On that note it is indeed time for a final adjuration: Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the Scribe. *Ecrivez!*

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Plans are proceeding for class functions in connection with our 40th Reunion. The reunion fund has been increasing; currently, \$4,480 has been contributed by 97 individuals. Letters outlining the program have been sent out. If anyone has not received two communications dated 15 July and 28 August, please let Billingsley know. Work on assembling of data for the reunion booklet is being prepared as completed questionnaires are received.

Some news gleaned from notes accompanying returned questionnaires: Wee Todd writes that he and Ginnie are quite happy over their geographic choice of retirement. They have built their home on the last ridge of the Appalachian chain and have acquired a houseboat for week-end use. Jerry Smyser, with the Bi-State Development Agency in St. Louis, informs us that the Passenger Transportation System of the Gateway Arch was formally opened as of 24 July. This has been a great accomplishment due largely to the work of Jerry. The McLemores, although living in Front Royal, Va., have gotten into the habit of spending their summers at a lake in Canada. Ed Cummings was planning a hurried trip back from Germany to Fort Benning to attend his son's wedding on 16 September. Skip Seeman reported on the 20 July dinner held at McNair club honoring Stu and Dottie McLennan who have since moved to California. Present were: Boatner, Lane T.A., Sirmyer, Betty Daley, Jo Wyman, and the Crallés, Gavans, Maxwells, McLennans, McNamaras, Mundys, Nelsons, Oakes, O'Donnells, Raymonds, Seemans, Smiths W.D., Tarrants, Turners, Uphams, Tates, Walters, Haskells, and Butchers.

Sam Myers has joined General Precision Company as a part-time consultant in the development and manufacture of training devices for the army. This still leaves time for tending his Christmas tree farms in New York and for raising funds for the Patton Museum at Fort Knox.

There are currently five Class Sons and one Class Daughter in addition to Cadet Donald stationed at West Point: Hawley Oakes '56, Robert Moscatelli '58, Samuel Myers Jr., '58, Ramon A. Nadal '58, Frederick Stritzinger '58, and Patricia Fleming Beasley. In this connection it appears that history repeats itself. In the 1928 HOWITZER, Nadal followed immediately after Myers; in the 1958 HOWITZER, Nadal again followed immediately after Myers; and now the grandsons appear on the post kindergarten roll with Nadal following Myers.

As most of you probably already know, Myrtle M. Pierce and Bill Billingsley announced their marriage on 16 August at Flemington, N.J.

Skip Seeman has been called back to active duty by the Chief of Engineers as a result of the recommendations of the Brown Board.

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The past summer witnessed the transfer from the active list of one of our most distinguished classmates, Paul Freeman, and a unique tribute to another truly distinguished member, Abe Lincoln, who, with Freeman's retirement, becomes our sole survivor on active duty.

Freeman's retirement ceremony took place at the end of June at Fort Monroe, the seat of his last 4-star position, the U.S. Continental Army Command, in the presence of a host of distinguished guests including a galaxy of stars from the Army, Navy, and Air Force—a total of 87 stars according to the computations of one reporter. The star list was headed by the Chief of Staff of the Army, General Harold K. Johnson '33, who presented Freeman with a special scroll and awarded him the Distinguished Service Medal during the retirement review held in the inner parade ground of the old fortress. Following the review, a reception at the Fort Monroe Officers Club honored Paul and Mary Anne. Earlier, Norwich University had awarded Paul the honorary Doctor of Laws degree, in recognition of his outstanding leadership and contributions to national security. The Class takes great pleasure and pride in the numerous honors received by Paul at the close of his service career and wishes him and Mary Anne every success and happiness in the next phase of their life.

In late July, coincident with his birthday, Abe Lincoln was honored at a dinner, attended by over 100 distinguished guests, military and civilian, and their wives, at the Fort Myer Officers Club. Highlighting the occasion was the presentation of a new book to memorialize the event in permanent form: *Issues of National Security in the 1970's: Essays in Honor of Colonel G.A. Lincoln on his Sixtieth Birthday*. Published by Praeger and Co., and written by distinguished contemporaries, both military and civilian who have participated with Abe in his many contributions to national defense policy and to security studies over the past years, the book was released for distribution at the time of the presentation dinner. Ambassador-at-large

1929: Paul Freeman retires at Fort Monroe.



Army Chief of Staff awards the DSM.



Paul and Mary Anne at their retirement ceremony at the Fort Monroe officers club.

W. Averell Harriman made the principal address of the evening, in which he paid tribute to Lincoln's distinguished and varied services to the nation. The Class takes great pleasure and pride in this recognition of Abe's achievements and extends to him and Freddie our warm congratulations.

Following all this pomp and circumstance, the Lincolns hastened to their Colorado mountain lodge to live the simple life and ride their six horses—according to Swede Svensson, who lives just down the road from them in Evergreen. Swede and Tet Svensson had Paul and Betty Harkins up from Dallas as house guests, and Lincoln provided mounts for the men (two cavalymen, a polo team captain, and one engineer) to ride through the neighboring hills. Freddie Lincoln set forth a hunt breakfast on their return, but took time out to pose for a photograph with the three horsemen. Swede kindly sent a picture, and very handsome and dashing all look, but unfortunately the color print won't reproduce successfully in these columns.

The Svenssons report the Harkinses to be delightful house guests: "Betty makes any place look lovelier, and Paul can and will gussie up a salad to be a thing of beauty if not a joy forever."

Starting this fall, Svensson begins teaching at Metropolitan State College in Denver as an associate professor of history. The college is a new one, not yet having graduated its first 4-year class. Swede had planned to spend the past summer in reducing the trout population of the Colorado streams, but he was asked by the U. of Denver, his civilian alma mater, to teach a graduate course in "U.S. History Since 1919," so he spent more time in lecture preparation than in fishing. But he enjoyed the work and was able to persuade Lincoln to talk to his students on the Yalta Conference, which Abe attended,

and the students were delighted both by Abe's dry wit and his serious, first-hand account of events at Yalta.

We note with pleasure the selection of Tom Sands as a regional trustee of the Association of Graduates and Joe Colby as a trustee at large. *Fortune* magazine recently had an article on the Rockwell group of companies and its recent merger with North American Aviation in which Colby's views as vice president for technological growth were quoted.

George McAneny reports from his listening post at Cornwall-on-Hudson that Colby, Cruise, and Gavin, in addition to nearby residents Sands, himself, and Lincoln, were in and out of West Point at various times during June Week, but he didn't get to make contact with the visitors. Earlier in the spring, McAneny and Sands attended a luncheon for Jimmy Gavin and heard a fine talk on world problems which Gavin gave to one of Lincoln's special cadet courses. (I suppose you've all seen the press speculation on Gavin as a potential presidential candidate on the Republican ticket.) George and Connie McAneny recently visited daughter Priscilla and their two grandchildren, one recent, in Richmond.

Also reporting a new grandchild are Army and DeeDee Armstrong—a son, Alan DeRussy, to Alan Armstrong, Capt., USA, '61, and wife Ginny at Fort Benning, where the father is taking the Advanced Course, conveniently close to Army and DeeDee's Chattanooga location. The Armstrongs have become Tennessee landowners—a house on the side of Missionary Ridge overlooking the city and mountains and right next to the McCallie School campus, from which they will move at their leisure when their new property is remodeled. The Armstrongs' other son Peter, who works here in Washington, has recently moved into a larger house in Georgetown and now lures his parents for visits with an air-conditioned bedroom and private bath. We look forward to seeing them often.

With sorrow we record the death of Glen Williamson's wife Bea in California on 1 July 67. The Class extends to Glen and the family our deep sympathy and heartfelt condolences. Glen writes that Bea had a successful lung cancer operation in 1964 and made a good recovery, but was stricken again in 1966. In accordance with her wishes there was no funeral, and Glen and their oldest daughter, Beverley, scattered flowers with Bea's ashes from an airplane flight over the Pacific off Half Moon Bay. A memorial service was held in the Hillsdale Methodist Church in San Mateo. Glen plans to continue living in California, where he has been active in business and in the Chamber of Commerce, and near daughter Beverley (Mrs. Victor Bach) and four grandchildren. The other Williamson daughter, Barbara, an artist who has lived for several years in Europe (Greece, Spain, and England) is now married to a young English editor, Kevin D'Arcy, and has a beautiful little daughter. Glen's address is: 2207 Thurn Ave., Belmont, Calif. 94002.

Jupe and Judy Lindsey's son Robert H., USA, '56, has been promoted to major and returned from Vietnam in August for station at Fort Gordon, Ga., and, most important, to see his new daughter for the first time.

Freddy and Winifred Chaffee flew to Banff and Lake Louise, Canada, this summer, where they were joined by son Fred, who drove up from the U. of Arizona where he is a graduate student in astrophysics. The

men golfed, and the whole family did sight-seeing in the Canadian Rockies, which the Chaffees report as magnificent. The golf, too, was magnificent, so much so that Freddy stayed on several extra days with young Fred to test the Jasper golf course. Winifred had to fly back on their original schedule, since they were committed to caring for daughter Fanchon's two young children at that time.

Paul and Della Caraway spent a few days in Washington during the summer, and it was delightful to see them. They are considering abandoning their Heber Springs, Ark., location and settling in this area, which is most welcome news for the Washington group.

Our faithful and most helpful San Francisco Bay Area reporter, Johnny Theimer, has a new address: 2438 Francisco St., San Francisco, Calif. 94123. Johnny was to take his bride Grace to Germany in September for a visit with his grandchildren in Munich. The Theimers planned to be in Washington briefly—just long enough for a golf game with Ed McNally and Tony McAuliffe '19—and would return via Rome, Paris, and West Point in late October.

Theimer reports the welcome arrival of Paul and Mary Anne Freeman to join the Bay Area group, and that their new address is: 635 Pullman Road, Hillsborough, Calif. News of other travelers: Ernie and Davie Heidland's Middle East plans were cancelled by the Israelis and Arabs, so they took a sunny and relaxed Caribbean tour including Montego Bay, Kingston, Antigua, and San Juan. They returned in early August in time for Ernie to get things in shape and for Davie to get set for her schoolteaching. Mac and Patsy McKenzie observed from England that the girls' skirts are shorter and the boys' hair longer, the coffee seems stronger, and the whiskey weaker and dearer (likewise the cigarettes). Mac is debating whether to return to teaching at San Francisco State or to concentrate on trout. Chick and Polly Cooper journeyed to Chick's Michigan boyhood home en route to West Point and Expo 67, and George and Lois Carey flew to England and were to return via Curaçao, Panama, and Acapulco.

Of Bay Area children and grandchildren: Ed Wright's son Jim is taking his junior year with the U. of California in Spain, and Ed III, USA, '66, goes to Vietnam in December. Andy Samuels records eight grandchildren, thinks it's some kind of a record, and wants to know if '29 gives a Class Cup in this category. (Note: Sorry, Andy, there's no Cup, and that is a Bay Area record only. This column stopped counting grandchildren a few years back when Jack and Nina Stone's yield exceeded ten, and Jack and Allie Seward were hot on their heels.) George Coolidge's three grandchildren are getting ready to start graduating from high school.

We congratulate Larry Brownlee on his fine showing in the National Halberstadt Saber Competition, which he very nearly won while finishing a high second.

'30

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In the Service we became accustomed to thinking of summer as the season of change and movement, and the summer of 1967 seems to have been no exception. Considering that all but one of the Class is retired

and therefore, presumably, "settled down," it's rather astonishing to note how many moves still take place. Perhaps it's a reasonable assumption that they signify a healthy sort of restlessness, a continuing interest in new and different surroundings, and a desire to find still greater satisfactions in life. Whatever the reason, the column this time reflects a sort of happy hodgepodge of "notes from here and there."

From this East Coast bastion we note with regret the departure of Fred and Dotty Ammerman, who have taken their feet in their hands and headed west. They can now be found at 2801 Richmond Street, El Paso, Texas 79930.

A letter from Clint Cloud tells of a 3-month trip around the world, visiting various installations of Yale & Towne and including 3 weeks of home leave. Clint asks me to correct his address to GPO Box 21, Singapore 1, noting that as an independent state, Singapore is no longer connected with Malaysia. He also extends a warm invitation: "Dorothy and I would be most pleased to see any of the Class and will try to raise just a little excitement in our part of the world should any of you give us the pleasure of a personal visit." I trust that Clint's notion of "a little excitement" stops short of what prevails in some other parts of his area!

Jim Darrah sent me a letter in late August enclosing a copy of his son's citation for the Distinguished Flying Cross. Jim Junior '55, an Artillery major:

"... Distinguished himself by heroism in action near Phan Thiet (Vietnam) when his helicopter section was attached to an Infantry task force that came under attack from an enemy unit. His section lifted from the ground amid a hail of enemy small arms fire and bursting mortar rounds. Maj. Darrah then directed the delivery of a violent rocket counterattack against enemy positions, despite continuing ground fire and the difficulties inherent in firing at night. Maj. Darrah's outstanding display of leadership during the conduct of the mission, and his personal bravery while exposing himself to intense enemy fire, were an inspiration to his section, enabling the unit to function rapidly and effectively."

We salute that kind of guts and can tip our caps to the man who sired them.

When I commented on Tommy Dunn's retirement in my last issue, I didn't have his retirement address: 907 Eventide Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78209. They join a group that includes Happy Brooks, Wendell Langdon, and Andy O'Meara, not to mention numerous contemporaries and other old Army friends, and should find it a most pleasant community in which to settle.

It is rare that I permit myself an "I-told-you-so" attitude, but for Spike Eckert I'll make an exception. Nearly 2 years ago, in commenting on the widespread surprise that Spike's appointment as Commissioner of Baseball occasioned, I wrote: "All I can say is that if Spike handles this assignment with the same unperturbed competence that he brought to a long series of tough assignments in the Air Force, baseball is in for one of its more fruitful and illustrious eras." It is a special pleasure to find my view now vindicated by no less an authority than the eminent sports writer, Bob Addie. In his 22 July 67 column Addie had this to say about Spike: "Ever since baseball picked 'The Un-

known Soldier,' an unkind reference to Eckert's military background, the commissioner's critics have had a high time pointing up his inexperience. But these critics are finding it harder and harder to find ammunition because Eckert doesn't make many mistakes." He goes on to comment on some of the innovations in scheduling that Spike has successfully promoted, and others that are in the planning stage, and concludes: "If he can negotiate a big contract for the 1969 World Series, the commissioner could be in danger of losing that 'unknown soldier' tag." Me, I'm smirking all over!

A card from Marv Johnson records another change of address. He has bought a house at 1436 Arnold Drive, Eau Gallie, Florida 32935, where he will be a neighbor of Noel Neal and Slats Schlatter.

Dodie MacLean was here in Washington early in the summer in connection with a trip to New York to meet her daughter Cathy, who was returning from a year of study in Paris. They "did" June Week and then came on to Washington for visits with Mac's former adjutant and the Dave Buchanans '29.

Ned and Vivian Moore acquired a new daughter-in-law when son David, married in June. David, a captain and pilot with SAC, is stationed at Wurtsmith AFB, Michigan. And Andy and Ellen O'Meara have announced the engagement of their daughter Louisa to Capt. Bill Heiberg '61, son of E.R. Heiberg '26.

Change another address: Emmett Porter writes that he got tired of shoveling snow and decided to try apartment living, so they are now at 600 Thames Parkway, Park Ridge, Illinois 60068. And the Jerry Pospisils, still seeking the most salubrious climate, have moved from Arizona to "Heitman-land" and are quartered at 777 Saturn Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80906, where they can bump elbows with the Folks as well as the Heitmans.

The peripatetic Webers again spent most of the summer abroad, covering most of Europe, and are now back at Lumber Bridge. Fritz is Director of Guidance (whatever that means!) at Pembroke State College. Kate reports that their 24-year-old Ann got her pilot's license (flying their own Mooney low-wing job) in 3 months, which sounds pretty precocious to me. Now they can all take turns flying the same airplane, as Calvin Coolidge once suggested.

A *New York Times* article in late August reported on some interesting experiments that Bill Whipple is conducting in connection with his water resources work at Rutgers. His idea that pollution can be reduced by "beating" oxygen into the water is being tested on a relatively small scale in the Passaic River under a grant from the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration. If the initial results seem promising, Bill plans to undertake a more comprehensive experiment in the Delaware River in the summer of 1969.

Inote that Bob Wood was the guest speaker at Leavenworth's C&GS graduation in June, an assignment for which his many previous appearances on distinguished rostrums eminently qualify him.

Just for the record, lest erroneous or exaggerated information reach you from other sources, your Scribe reports that he had a mild coronary attack in June, from which he made a remarkably quick and (I hope!) permanent recovery. Ironically, the first twinge occurred on the day I left my job with North American Aviation to become fully retired. Maybe this will be a lesson to me!

'31

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It is with the greatest regret that I must report the death of Seiss Wagner. Seiss died here in Washington at Walter Reed the last of June after a short illness. He was buried in the National Cemetery near Atlanta, Georgia. As far as I know, Peggy is still at Flamingo Drive in Atlanta.

The news from the Class is brief but varied. OZ Tyler sent a note to report a change in his status of employment. As of 8 August, he will be teaching history at Florida Junior College in Jacksonville. His Master's is in history, and the teaching will complement his duties as president of the Jacksonville Historical Society. OZ further reported that Charlotte Train was in the vicinity this spring playing in the SE Dependents' Championship (I presume in golf.) at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station. OZ says that his golf game is still lousy, and that while looking over some old golf cards he found one that indicated that Charlie Hoy had beaten him in the past. Champ and Chick Buck came through Jacksonville recently on their "luxurious, bigger and better" yacht (the quotes are from OZ's letter), and that Allison and OZ went on board for a drink and then off to dinner.

I will quote the following as any rewrite would detract from its impact. From anonymous: "In the spring '67 ASSEMBLY there appears a libelous statement under '31 Notes. Without mentioning my name, the nasty inference is that I stole Julie's glasses before a putting contest. The truth of the matter is that Julie lost his glasses in my house under most unusual circumstances. The next day I generously loaned an extra pair of my bifocals to Julie. We engaged in a contest, and I still bought the coffee. For a redress I demand a rematch; no glasses to be allowed either party."

I also had a couple of notes from Charlie Hoy. Charlie and Martha made a trip to The Citadel in June and saw Hugh and Kay Harris; both well and enjoying life there. Hugh and Kay paid a return visit to Charlie and Martha this summer. Julie and Lois Chappell were also visiting during the summer, and it shouldn't be necessary to report on the sort of shenanigans Charlie and Julie engaged in. They did play nine holes at a local par-three course, the first "golf" that Charlie has played since his disability. Julie, apparently wearing his own glasses, had an ace on the first hole and managed to eke out a win.

I wish to add a few more remarks to those I made previously about Ernie Easterbrook's retirement. From a letter from Herb Mansfield, I have learned that the class contingent presented Ernie with an expression of affection and good wishes, with the writing prepared by Cal and Jinny Coolidge. Dean and Jo Gough hosted the evening soiree at which it was presented, and all present affixed their signatures to attest to their presence. Chet and Gin Diestel and their daughter Dotty (now a grad student at Stanford) fashioned a "fried egg" out of plywood and affixed 31 gold stars and an appropriate black, gold, and gray ribbon for hanging about Ernie's neck to signify a welcome to: THE RETIRED OFFICERS CLASS 1931. There was in addition an arty(?) charter which certified, in effect, that Nancy need nevermore be involved in the numerous, and humorously described, as-

pects of officers wives clubs. I made an error in Ernie's address in the previous column. His box number in Carmel should be 50. Herb says that he understands that Ernie may be on his way to an interesting job in Tokyo in September. Herb and Vesta keep busy with nearby relatives. Charles, the son, is at Stanford Law School with wife Brigitte and three children. Daughter Mary is in New Zealand with her engineer husband and has recently presented Herb and Besta with twin grandchildren.

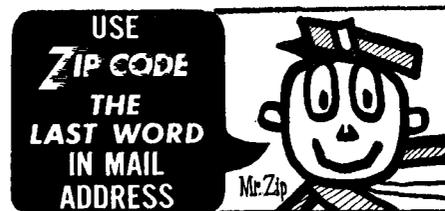
I was sorry to hear that Mike Irvine had been in Letterman but happy to report that he is home again and feeling fine. I repeat a recommendation from Herb that having stuff aged in cast-iron casks instead of charcoal casks is good for iron deficiency. Charlotte and Bill Train were in the Menlo Park area in August and are reported to be fixing up a house in Yosemite. I don't know if they plan to live there. Ernie sent in a new address for Loren Ayers, who came back to the States some time ago and is now living in Alamo, California.

Chet and Virginia Ott have returned to the States after Chet's stint as head of RFE in Munich. Chet is Director of General Services for the state of Oregon and is living in Salem. Chet said that the job with RFE was most exciting and challenging, but after 5 years the climate in Munich was getting him down, and he was very happy, and Virginia too, to be back in the glorious sunshine of the Northwest. Steve and Bindie Hanmer are also due back here sometime this September from RFE, being the last of the Army to leave. He and Bindie are coming home the long way, through the Far East: India, Thailand, Japan, etc., ending up in Fort Leavenworth (the college, of course) to be with Steve Junior and family for Christmas. Steve said that Cornie Lichirie has just arrived in Munich working for Bache and Co. I don't know if that is a permanent change of station or just a temporary assignment.

Cal Coolidge reports that he has again retired, this time from the job of assistant city manager of Santa Clara after 3 years of work and night meetings. He and Jinny are leaving sunny California in August and going to some small, quiet town in New England for a year or so to see if they like that kind of life. Classmates in the Bay Area predict that Cal and Jinny will return before the year is up, but Cal says that he is of sterner stuff and will stick it out. Jerry and Helen Rodenhauser had the pleasant task of pinning second lieutenant's bars on son Karl on his graduation from Holy Cross College in Worcester. Jerry has just taken over a technical division in Mitre Corporation in Bedford.

Congratulations are in order for Charlie Densford, who has been awarded the George Washington Honor Medal by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge for his writing during 1966. He was formally awarded the medal by Gen. Guy S. Meloy Jr., (Ret), at Randolph AFB on 27 June of this year. The writings are a column that Charlie does for newspapers in Texas. I have read many of them, and I can't understand why Charlie didn't rank one in English. Charlie Jr., is back from Vietnam, and the youngest Densford, Daniel, is on his way over there.

I must now admit to a masterpiece of an error. I forgot to give a pistol to one of our Class Sons. On 22 June, I received a letter from Wheeling on Stone and Thomas stationery asking if the G2 of 1931 had relapsed into the somnolence of advancing age. After consulting the dictionary to find out what that meant, I became aware of the fact that



Wilbur S. Jones Jr., had graduated from USMA without any recognition from his father's classmates and more specifically from me because I am charged with that responsibility. It would be a long story if I included all the details of my misfeasance, but happily I had a pistol handy, arranged for the engraving, and on my way with Betty to visit our son James, who is now working in Cleveland, presented the gift personally to Bill Jr., who was at home on leave for a few days. I hope all is well that ends well. In addition to atoning for my past error, Betty and I had a very pleasant chat with Bill and Truxie at their shack on the G.C.&P. Road. Both are well and seemed willing to forgive.

I had a couple of notes from the Deacon in Saigon, but since the P.S. on his letter asked me to keep it clean, there isn't much I can quote. He did send me one of those collapsible pointers (modern) to go along with the computer (ancient) that I was shown using in a recent column. Deac is hoping to get to Korea to see Tick Bonesteel. Deac would appreciate hearing from a few of us to keep track of what is going on here while he is helping out over there.

As usual, I feel as though I've omitted something, but with the opening of school, things have been a bit hectic. I expect that the annual class letter will go out sometime in the next couple of weeks (before you read this), so forget I said anything, and I hope to have more news later. I did forget to mention one thing: Bill Jones Jr., followed in the footsteps of his father and graduated seventh in the Class. He was a distinguished cadet for four years and was awarded a prize for receiving the highest rating in Humanities.

'32

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It won't be long now! Last issue I covered Pop Duncan's retirement as Lou Truman's deputy. Now I present Lou's retirement photo some 30 days later. About the same time, Harvey Fischer hung up the boots. Note that in each case Jim Woolnough, appropriately, is the master of ceremonies. Immediately following, Frank Britton and Ash Manhart both retired on the same day—even on the same hour, except that Frank "ceremonied" at Meade and Ash at Fort McNair. This is like retiring Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, and Meade all at once!

To go back, Pop has joined Emory U. in an advisory, administrative capacity and lives within spitting distance of his office. How lucky can one get? As for Lou, Governor Maddox appointed him director of the Georgia Dept of Industry and Trade with the following comment: "We are fortunate to have found a man of the General's ability. He will develop the department into the No. 1 Dept of Industry and Trade in the world." The major Georgia newspapers heartily endorsed the appointment. The Atlanta Journal called it a "break for Georgia," and the



1932: Lou Truman presents the DSM (oak leaf cluster) to Pop Duncan at 29 June retirement ceremony for Duncan at Fort McPherson.



1932: General Ralph Haines (left) congratulates Ash Manhart following award of DSM to Ash at his retirement review at Fort McNair on 31 July.



1932: Harvey and Dort Fischer with Jim Woolnough at Harvey's retirement ceremony at Fort Monroe on 29 July.



1932: Proud pop, Dick Hunt, presents commission as ensign reserve to son Larry at commencement exercises, Davis and Elkins College, in June.

Constitution commented "his acceptance is welcomed by all Georgians."

Tina Fischer, youngest of three daughters, called Harvey's ceremony "Dad's commencement exercise. He's graduating from the Army to a new way of life" (i.e., as an executive with the North Carolina Community College System at Raleigh). Tough and ready Harvey ignored the customary jeep ride and marched around the troops in the old quadrangle, alone, shaking hands here and there. They even dusted off the old saluting battery on the west wall of the inner fort with a 15-gun glow-off. All guns survived.

We attended Frank Britton's review and reception at Fort Meade. We had a fine time together with classmates Baer, Howarth, Frack, and other friends that we had not seen for years. In the last issue we covered Frank's temporary plans for the future, i.e., red comforter, at Largo, Fla., in his self-designed home. Knowing Frank's modesty, I suspect that real estate operations will broaden in this pleasant community.

Finally, Ash Manhart descended on us, like a whirling dervish, from Ankara one day and was retired practically the next. Ash moves fast. A large contingent of classmates attended to include Bus and Betty Wheeler. Ash, no conversationalist, is mum on future plans, but he's located in a strategic spot in an apartment in classy Watson Place.

Tom Hannah sent me a telegram announcing the death of Bill Mikkelsen and adding that burial would be at Arlington with ceremonies at the chapel. Many friends attended including: Dick and Helen Hunt, Dossi and myself, Ken Zitzman, and Archie Lyon. We

colored ones at \$1. Black and white are about 25¢. Not satisfied with that, Frank is about to author a kaleidoscope of all photos reduced to 2x4's or 3x5's for distribution for a selection by all class members. By the time this message is received, they will probably be out.

After explaining his plans, Frank told us that Dwight Beach had undergone intestinal surgery at Walter Reed. The following week I managed to make entry into the hallowed halls of Ward 8. Although a little wan, Dwight was in good humor, even lit my cigarette. A short time later Dwight took off for his CP. A hardy guy, that man Beach. Re Walter Reed, I received a note from Ash Manhart saying that Bus Wheeler is at Walter Reed recuperating from "some sort of heart attack with only minor damage." I have no further information, but it does appear that he is there for observation as well as rest, and we can well believe he deserves a rest.

At this point I introduce the offering of my associate columnist.

From Ken Zitzman, Secretary:

First, a few words to tidy up the 35th Reunion news and subsequent actions.

Two guys (and their dolls) who ordinarily couldn't have been kept away with bazookas, were "no-shows" for the best reason of all—they were busy beaming at the graduations of their (and '32's) sons.

At Davis & Elkins College, Dick Hunt administered the oath of office and presented the commission as an Ensign Reserve, U.S. Navy, to graduating son, Lawrence Barrett Hunt, during the commencement exercises. Shortly thereafter, Larry reported for training at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., and we know he is going to do us proud.

Then, at a cozy dinner chez Wray, with Joe/Dinny Kelly and Jim/Eleanor McCormack as witnesses, I learned that Stan and Esther were at the graduation of their youngest son, Ricky, from the Blue Ridge School, St. George, Va. Ricky is now at the U. of Richmond. Vectoring in on the victuals, Stan prepared the delicious meal himself. For anyone who wants to pirate his prowess, all recipes can be found in Stan's secret cookbook which he keeps on display in his living



1932: Lou Truman returns salute from his brother, Corbie, commander of troops, at Lou's retirement review at Fort McPherson on 31 July. Jim Woolnough stands in jeep with Lou.

room under a dust jacket entitled, *Counterfeiting at Home in Your Spare Time*.

As follow-up actions to those who worked to make our 35th a smasher, reunion chairman Frank Besson sent personal letters to all involved: Dwight Beach II who took care of things just as though Daddy were looking over his shoulder (he was, by e.s.p. from Honolulu), Connie Mack III, the jovial Holiday Innkeeper, who threw no fastballs but plenty of highballs, and all the others.

By unanimous vote at the next class luncheon we gave Priscilla Dewey, wife of Frank's aide, Gene, USMA '58, who spent a year staging the show, a dozen West Point dinner plates (blue) each with a different scene of the place we love. Her gracious note: "overwhelmed... it was a pleasure... express to '32 our gratitude" ended with "may you fight fiercely and make the fortieth." Believe me, Priscilla, whether we're fatigued by the furor, financially frustrated, or finally finished and finagling with flowers, we'll make the 40th.

To lovely Ann Beach who was all over the place helping Sandy arrange things at the golf clubhouse and begged the bus driver at 0200 hours to wait a little longer because "there might be one more left in there," we gave a set of crystal glasses etched with the beloved USMAY crest.

To proceed to other areas, Jim Woolnough was installed as CG of CONARC but not until 130, live, Civil War artillery shells which were buried beneath his new office at Fort Monroe had been removed. It took exactly 102 years, but presumably he's the first Union general to gain the whole-hearted confidence of the South.

In his new job, Jim not only gets around, but he knows how to write a letter. In San Francisco, Bill and Vivian Kunzig organized a clambake with the Lankenau, Gilmers, Goodriches, and Avery Cochrans. In San Antonio he had a class lunch with Chuck Clark, Milt Glatterer, Jim Godwin, George Grunert, Bill Means, and Tom McDonald, followed by a trip next day to Fort Hood where he and Aggie were the guests of George and Billie Mather. We also note with considerable pride that Jim's youngest son achieved the objective for which he enlisted last year, i.e., he graduated from Fort Rucker and is now a full-fledged Warrant Officer 1st, helicopter pilot.

Jim also reported that the Ray Cochrans and Tom Hannahs attended the retirement ceremonies for both Harvey Fischer at Fort Monroe and Lou Truman at Fort McPherson, reinforced by Danny Sundt at the former and Pinky and Carry-Bess Smith at the latter.

And right next door to us at Fort McNair, Ash and Helen Manhart went out in style with a review and reception supported by a contingent of 10 classmates and wives including Bus and Betty Wheeler, Frank Besson, et al.

Well, there it is. As of this writing, the ballots are winging to you world-wide for the annual election of officers. (Without giving Vi a vote, I think we should have created the position of Custodian of Nostalgia for Johnnie Gavin who is the only male faculty member of the exclusive Holton Arms School for girls here in Washington. You can laugh, but the guy doesn't look 6 months older than when we were all firing for record on this course.)

And if anyone wants to "buy in" to the position of secretary, the job is patently open but take the elastic band off your bankroll. For example, Ed Howarth, financial wizard emeritus and class treasurer (the only job I'd

hate worse than mine), billed me for the regular \$2 dues at the very moment I was already into the class fund for \$25 for advances made, etc., etc. Our class finances were never printed in blacker ink, but Ed just hates to lose a buck for falling below the minimum in the checking account when he knows new dues are rolling in to pay off the trivia. In the best Swiss banking tradition, Ed believes that we should live on the interest on the interest.

So do I. Show your interest by writing often.

Your faithful (and reluctant) secretary,
KEN ZITZMAN

By this time it should be obvious that we have dual columnists. The old veteran has! And you can expect an indefinite continuance. Ken says that with the "spot" news scarce we need additional help. Apparently my offerings have produced a predominance of the "feature" species. Yet, I well remember Ken's column many years ago, when he wrote of Pop Duncan's solicitous care of Bonzo in the baggage car, even crawling into the cage to console the ol' dog. Or, who can forget his contribution from Paris when he sent a photo of a huge percheron in a bizarre position occupying the entire capacity of a petite French car to illustrate the inadequacy of French drivers. As for me, dear colleague, please continue to contribute these amusing anecdotes as you satellite from globe to globe.

'33

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Another frantic campaign resulted in the election of Ryan as president; Harry King, VP; Sparrow, secretary; and Pope, treasurer. Demands for a recount were disallowed.

Bob Thompson has been assigned to the permanent staff of CORG, with his office in Landmark Towers, Alexandria. Bob and Lucy Lee plan to fly to the Virgin Is. for a vacation this winter. Bob Turner will continue to teach at George Mason College in Alexandria. He and Ann vacationed at Ocean City where their Marguerite and Paul caught 22 fish. Summerfelt is no longer in the real estate business; he agrees with Val that there are too many other things to do, such as go to the wedding, in August, of their son Milt.

Frank and Holly Henley were flying in their Bonanza for a vacation in the far north but only got as far as Bangor, Maine, when heavy fog made them decide, sensibly, to turn about. Watters spent about a month in Ireland. It was a pleasure trip, and Soapy wanted to see, among other things, some of his family locales. Parr is going to Vietnam as a civilian to work for an engineering outfit; Mary Jane will keep the home fires burning, with their youngest son, Kurt. Their other two, Maj. Ivan III, and Mike (USMA '67) are both on duty there.

Janie Pope spent three cloudy weeks at Cape Cod; Phil was with her there for part of that time. He plans to show his boss around West Point, including a stopover at the Thayer and (thanks to Russ Broshous) the ARMY-Duke game. McCrary begins his fourth year of teaching math at the Winston Churchill High School in Potomac, Md. Bert and June Sparrow took Cathy to New York to board the S.S. *Rotterdam* for a year's study in France. Skipper is acting legal counsel for some involved in the Detroit riots.

Herb Plapp writes: "Unfortunately, I had to join the 'Lost Chord Club' last April and

am learning my new speech. I understand that that puts me in the same league as Greco of our Class and Mike Riley of '32. Went to the opening game at West Point last September and stayed with my daughter Maxine and son-in-law, Maj. Bruce Stout (USMA '57), a math P. Orlando has a few of '33: Divine, still president and owner of Seely Mfg. Co.; Patterson works for himself; Olson was with Martin until recently, as was Cooper. Gordon and Puddy Bartlett are still active on the golf course. My Kay does a lot of swimming. I get in a little fishing when not too busy with speech instruction. Our two girls are married, and our boy will be a junior at the U. of Fla."

Roberson said that some of his Laguna Blanca School grads might visit USMA and wanted to know what Class Sons are cadets, so I told him that Lamar Ratcliffe is a First Classman and Lawrence K. White Jr., is a Yearling and that we have no sons at the AF or Coast Guard Academies. Stan and Charlotte Lonning visited Gerry and Perk for a few days in August. Quinn is again running the show at the AUSA meeting here in October. Starbird's jobs with the Defense Communications Agency and the AEC keep him on the road over half the time with inspections and visits.

Allyn Heintz teaches at the Pegasus Stable here. Leo reports that son Paul has two children and is a practicing attorney in Philadelphia; daughter Mary Allyn (Rogers) is here with her husband, who is with Wonder Bread Co., and their three; son Frank graduated from Yale, and along with his wife, who is a PBK, serves in India with the Peace Corps; daughter Anne is beginning her second year at the U. of Md. In May, Leo and Allyn, whose grandfather was USMA 1867, were at West Point for the centennial of that Class.

Cleveland has moved to the Army-Navy Club here. Mary Fran and Jack Matheson's Katy, a sophomore at Duke, are on an archeology expedition in Europe. Pick and Sally Vidal had the Bruce Scotts, Milt and Val Summerfelt, and Soapy Watters for dinner. Pick says that Bruce is again in "real good shape." Meyer (RD) has been named Asst to the president of the Firestone Rubber Co.; Dick and Lovey will move to Akron in September.

Rayburn (correct address: Homestead Cottage, Faringdon, Little Coxwell, Berkshire, England) went to the Founders Day dinner in London; Mullins was also there. The Com of Sandhurst was the featured speaker. Bob says that this school is no longer comparable to USMA because it offers only a 2-year course and is more like a service school. He is now a full-time schoolmaster, "but I found that there is a great difference in many of the terms used." He took his 14-year-old Rosalie and Bob 12, for a short vacation near Weisbaden but saw no classmates.

Risden, VP of Taiwan Electronics Corp., a subsidiary of General Instruments Corp., will complete his 2-year tour in Taipei next year. Elma and daughter Cathy (Mrs. Coulter), whose husband is a helicopter pilot in Vietnam, visited Taipei last spring. Elma says they enjoyed the visit, and their contacts with the many English-speaking civilians ("not many Service"). She also spoke of the ultra-high cost of having a phone installed in their apartment but the reasonably good phone service.

Reynolds played tennis with Conway at MacDill AFB and won, of course. Roy was honored, in Philadelphia, by being asked to participate in ceremonies marking the

transfer of a U.S. ship to the navy of Spain. Also, he witnessed, with C/S Johnson, the retirement of Gen. Freeman at Monroe's CONARC Hq. Roy expects to take in the Duke and Navy games and maybe the one with Stanford. Calhoun retires this October. Bill and Annie helped tie the knot when Bill Jr., was married recently. Gracie and I were at the airport in Portland, Maine, where we ran into Wag Kleitz and her father, Col. Rodney, who were there to meet her sister Jill and her husband, Bud Schlanser (USMA '35), just back from Korea. Small world! Fred and Ruth Gibb were visited by two cousins and their wives in September. The heavy August rains here washed out most of the chrysanthemum plants she was nursing.

Edwards writes that he is an operations analyst at Stanford Research Institute and works mostly on government contracts, "but still doing a bit in education." Mo will teach a course at San Jose on "Self-enhancing Education" and was to go to Detroit in October to present a seminar to the International Systems and Procedures Assn. Mo says: "I tell others how." Son Dick (USMA '57) is a major in Vietnam; his wife with their three girls is staying in Vermont. Daughter Sue with her husband (Maj. Bob McKee, Asst PMS at Mich. State) and their three live in East Lansing.

Vic King writes: "Katie Bonner spent a week with us in August. Three of those days we were at the beach in Rhode Island. Katie and I braved the surf each day, icebergs and sharks not withstanding—they actually shot a shark at the beach next to us (a harmless variety they said, whoever 'they' were). Roland and Libbey Elliott and their daughter spent a night with us. Needless to say, we had a roaring good time. I still teach, just mornings, which is delightful."

Honeycutt reports: "During the little more than a year that I have been here at Sandia Base, I have become very fond of the great southwest. I decided to take it (golf) up again after a 32-year lay off. Donnelly, who is my boss, visits us here occasionally. He and Dottie have decided to live in Albuquerque when he retires in the summer of 68. Saw Bill Calhoun several times during the past year when he came from his Corps Hq in Austin to inspect. Allen Chapman has been through several times in connection with his move from Hamilton Field to Colorado Springs. Dahlen was here and had supper with us (including my mother and daughter Mary). Harry Bishop, who lives in Santa Fe, came last spring with Dee to an AF Assn dinner. We sat together and had much fun. Bailey was moved last summer to Tonopah, Nev., and I, thereby, lost a good fishing companion."

Marjorie Crawford says that Joe is doing well, and that daughter Anne is in France for her final year of study for an M.A. in French, which will be awarded by Columbia. Solly and Molly Solomon have been spending a lot of time and energy working on the place they bought (a large year-round house) at Scientist Cliffs, Md. They will move there when Solly retires in a few years. Powers has been named CG, XV Army Corps. George and Teeny move into quarters at the Presidio of San Francisco. Zierath retired and moved to Washington state.

Helen Ferris (Grismer) remarried; a birthday party was given for her new husband, and Parker, Donnelly, Senter, Whipple, and Calhoun were there. Dan and Helen Parker have recently spent much time "at our lot near Fredericksburg, stacking brush and

dead tree branches and clearing out some of the underbrush. We can spend all fall and winter at this task. Our plans for building are still not firm, but I feel we'll have something in another year. In the meantime, we are enjoying the dreaming."

Harrell has taken command of Sixth Army. Ben and Harriet moved from Belvoir to the Presidio of San Francisco. Bill and Alice Baumer just celebrated their 31st anniversary; Freddie and Natalie are both working here, and son Bill goes to G.W. Law School after graduating from Georgetown U. Bill recently lunched with Dick (RD) Meyer and later with Hurlbut.

Dot Hartel sent a picture taken at "Kleine West Point Essen" of Phil and Janie Pope, Dan and Helen Parker, Fritz, Cy and Polly Dolph, and Ruth Carroll. (It couldn't be reproduced; the printer said something about too much glow.) Later, Bill and Marge Ryan visited them at Williamsburg. Dot writes: "Linda and her three are in Lawton, Okla., waiting for Butch's (EB's son) return from Vietnam. Karla is with us at present. Fritz gave his Berlin talk, with slides, to the Welcome Wagon Group; he is to address the local D.A.R. on national defense. Ned and Gladys Gee paid us a visit, and we were privileged to celebrate her birthday with them. Ted and El Conway stopped by for cocktails." Fritz adds that he and Ted sang the "class song."

Shinkle's address is: 250 N. Banana River Drive, Apt. H-3, Pelican Cove, Fla. 32952, which is near Cape Canaveral. Chase is now Dpty Commander-in-Chief, USAREUR. Bob and Millicent Hain had a party for classmates living on Oahu at their beach place; Dot Doleman, Hurly, and Dot Ehlen came, but Ed was away on an inspection trip, Polly had to fly back to St. Louis due to the death of her father, and the Hap Tubbs couldn't come because Molly had a broken foot.

Fleckenstein (address: RR 1, Box 500, Lahaina, Maui 96761) writes: "Not really doing anything. Sitting at the beach, swimming, walking, reading, listening to stereo. However, I do help out around the apartment buildings, doing odd jobs such as painting and keeping the grounds in shape."

Degavre says that he and Tita "are engaged in restoring our old house built in 1745, raising a few sheep, gardening, and dropping all else to go sailing when the wind is right. I am busy carving, and she is equally busy doing pastel portraits. Tim is an AF captain, in the missile program; Robert is doing postgrad work at Princeton, after four years as a Navy officer on a submarine." Chet's only nearby classmate is Leydecker, and he almost never sees Charlie.

Charlotte and Kay Kaesser's Sally was married in June, at Los Alamitos, to Capt. Ernest W. Rousseau, USAF. Hadley Richardson writes that his Gale is a recreation worker for the A.R.C., stationed at Lewis; and son Harry is on his way back to Vietnam as a second engineer with the American President Lines. Eleanor Lawlor flies to the Far East in September. She'll visit friends in Tokyo and Baguio that she and Bob were forced to leave 25 years ago. About two months later she'll be met in San Francisco by Bob. They'll celebrate their 33d anniversary and take a rent-a-car tour of the West Coast and Las Vegas.

As if you didn't know, next June is our 35th anniversary. For details of the get-together write Ole Olson or Slugger Douglas or Russ Broschous.

'34

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As you will recall from the results of the last election of class officers, the above is your new Scribe. We will make this column as newsworthy as possible, but as you have been enjoined before, the success of this objective really depends on YOUR submissions. In this regard, we would like to get more news "from the field," particularly family and youngsters. And, in order to get accurate, rather than word-of-mouth rumors, we want to hear from YOU.

We hope to get out a class bulletin which should reach those not taking advantage of this column. It will include a new locator list and financial statement. In the meantime, class dues of \$5 for 67-68 are due. If you have not already done so, please remit to Col. E.A. Lewis, 3011 North Military Road, Arlington, Va. 22207. As you can see, Emory has been rewarded for his work as my predecessor by being made class treasurer. At the same time, though it may be close upon receipt of this notice in the next issue of ASSEMBLY, send me any change of address you may have made, or plan to make in the



1934: Cy Betts (left) and Asst Secy of the Army O'Neal visit Pee Wee Fellenz (right) at the latter's headquarters, Camp Zama, Japan, in July.

future so that our locator list may be as accurate as possible.

The regular monthly meeting, on the third Thursday of the month, was held on 20 July, at Arlington Hall Station. Emory Lewis, Gene Corrigan, Beez Beazley, Bill Kern, Bob Tyson, Jack Schaefer, Jim O'Hara, Fred Barnes, Bert Spivy, Paul Barton, Hal Edson, Lou Walsh, and Johnny Stevens of the local chapter welcomed Moose Donovan, fresh from his underwater exploits, to the luncheon. Donovan has been named to be U.S. representative to the Permanent Military Deputies Group, CENTO, and has also been nominated for his third star. Congratulations to the "Moose."

The regular August luncheon meeting was held on the 17th of that month, at Arlington Hall Station. Cy Betts, Bert Bruce, Gene Corrigan, Merl DeGuire, Tom Foote, Bob Fuller, Emory Lewis, Jim O'Hara, Jack Schaefer, Bob Tyson, Lou Walsh, Beez Beazley, Paul Barton, and yours truly welcomed George Gerhart, back from an extended visit to Europe, and Dana Johnston, a newcomer to the Washington area. Dana has not yet settled on a location here so his new address will be forthcoming later. Tom Foote, our new president, announced that an informal meeting of the executive committee would

be held in the near future to line up activities for the year ahead and to begin plans for our 35th Reunion in 69.

We have lost Dale Smith from the local chapter but are happy to announce his appointment as headmaster of the Graham-Eckes Schools of Palm Beach, Fla. Congratulations and best wishes.

Cy Betts, back from a trip to Japan with the Army's Asst Secy for R&D, Dr. R.D. O'Neal, visited PeeWee Fellenz just a few days before PeeWee retired on 1 August. Cy also reports that he saw Jack Stanley who is doing very well as a consultant to several Japanese industries.

The *Journal of the Armed Forces* has reported, in recent issues, that Frank Caufield has been promoted to vice president in the Trust Dept, San Francisco Head Office of the Bank of America; also that Gerry Higgins, previously with Research Analysis Corp., has been named director of Piasecki Aircraft Corp., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dan Heyne, now practicing law in Houston, was recently host to a small reunion there when Emory Lewis, Pete Peca, and Russ Volckmann were attending an R&D symposium in that vicinity. Russ has also been a rather frequent visitor to Research Analysis Corp., in McLean, Va.

Alex and Mim Stuart were in town recently and called up to say hello for the '34 tribe in El Paso.

Johnny and Janet Diefendorf report from Williamsburg that they are busy with church activities and enjoy seeing Dave and Helen Ruth, Pete and Evelyn Ward, and often the Jerry Blairs at the quarterly activities of the Hampton Roads West Point Society. Johnny and Janet visited Wilmington, N.C., and New York State this summer.

Time marches on, and I have word that Jack Seaman, now commanding First Army, will lose Harry Hillyard from XXI Corps and Charley Johnson from his own headquarters due to retirement of both in late October. The Hillyards are reported planning extensive visits with family after October. A letter from Iran advises that Jabbo and Virgie Jablonsky are already making plans for the future.

Time brings not only retirements but also weddings and a new generation: F.W. Barnes Jr., son of Freddy and Rosa, married Barbara Lee Beatty in Alexandria on 2 Sept. Bob and Sis MacDonnell, who were in Washington on business for Bob and to assist their daughter Mickey, who is about to present them with another grandchild, were able to be at the Barneses' wedding. Bill and Anne Kern's daughter, Anne Lawrence, is to be married on 9 Sept, also in Alexandria, to Mr. Ira Dale Branson.

Lou Walsh and Hal Edson have recently been teaming up as consultants in the Combat Analysis Dept of Research Analysis Corp.

Recent orders advise that Tom Lipscomb will shortly be assigned to Hq, AMC, in Washington.

We of this chapter have visited Lt. N.P. Ward IV, unfortunately at Walter Reed Hospital. I am proud and happy to report that, although seriously wounded in Vietnam, both Pete IV and his charming wife show an attitude which is a great credit to the Army, to the country, and to the Class. I wish you all could have been there with me on the visit. The spirit of these young people gives solid reassurance as to the future of our country.

'35

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The first of August, 1967, was an important date for several of the Class of '35. Hugh Exton got his third star in a DoD ceremony at the Pentagon that morning, and Jim Alger got his third star in an Army ceremony that afternoon with Ralph Haines making the presentation speech. Ralph was standing in as Vice C/S for the Chief of Staff who was away that day. Between these two auspicious events, and unrelated to them, was a very fine class luncheon, which was quite well attended, to include Ken Bergquist who managed to get down from Pennsylvania to witness the promotion of his old West Point roommate, Jim Alger.

Also on 1 August, Johnny Throckmorton, commanding the XVIII Abn Corps, found himself quite busy in Detroit and at the same time was being moved up to command Third Army at Fort McPherson, Ga. On that



1935: Ham Twitchell, Deputy CG, Third Army.

same date Ham Twitchell was named deputy commander in the same headquarters.

Tiger Beall has been ill to the extent of surgery at Walter Reed, but at last report had returned to his job as Chief of Staff, Third Army. It would appear that Third Army is pretty well controlled by the Class of '35.

Dave Gregg was down from Northfield, Vt., for a bout with the medics at Walter Reed, too, for cataract surgery. We all hope that everything is well now.

Marine Pfc. Richard Freudenthal, 18, one of twin sons born to Pat and the late Bill Freudenthal while Bill was stationed at West Point, was killed in Vietnam on 30 June 1967. He was buried in Arlington Cemetery on 10 July in a very sad ceremony which a dozen of the Class of '35 and several wives were able to attend. Pat lives at: 2727 Duke St., Alexandria, Va., with older son Ronny and Richard's twin, Robert. Sandy, their daughter, is married.

Seneca W. and Phyllis Foote were in the Washington area for the wedding of their son Seneca S. Foote to Rebecca Irene Starnes in McLean, Va., on 2 Sept. The newlyweds will return to college together for their final year. Seneca W. is with American Mutual of Boston (industrial insurance) and has their southeastern territory with office

in Atlanta. He and Phyllis are "between houses" living in an apartment at: 4306 North Shallow Ford Road in Chamblee, Ga. 30005, while building a new home in Dunwoody for which he as yet has no address. Their daughter Sharon has just finished high school and will attend junior college. Seneca says he has seen Al Ashman who is with a life insurance firm in San Antonio. Last address for Al is: 805 Eventide Drive, San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

Ed and Marie Ferris, back from a Labor Day weekend checking on plebe son, Danny, at West Point, report everything going fine and at least two other '35 sons, Charlie Armogida and Mike Phelan are in the Class of '71. If there are others, my apologies, but I haven't yet received the electronically computed report I was promised by Somers Dick. Ed also reports that Mel Coburn is now commanding the Army Air Defense Hq at Stewart AFB near Newburgh, N.Y. Ed also brought back a rumor—something about "simultaneous grandfathers at Phillips Academy!" One way to do this, of course, is to share in the same grandchild, or grandchildren, in the case of multiple births. However, further investigation revealed that this was not the case, and that the rumor itself was not precisely founded. Headmaster John Kemper's granddaughter, Catherine Kemper Pieh, was nosed out by several days by John C. Heenan Jr., grandson of faculty member Ed Harris, arriving on 9 April 1967 and weighing 7 lbs., 14 oz. Proud parents are John C. Sr., and Susan Harris Heenan, the eldest of Ed's and Alice's fine family. The others are: Ned 22, a first classman at V.M.I.; George 20, recently enlisted in the Marines and presently at Parris Island; Priscilla 17, a senior in high school; Eleanor 13, a 9th grader; and Martha 4½, at home.

Ray and Mary Firehock are grandparents again with the arrival of Gregory Raymond Firehock on 6 Aug 1967, son of Raymond B. Jr. (Bud) and Heather Firehock. Ray's and Mary's second son, Robert, is a First Classman at West Point. Their third son, Peter, 14, went with them on a somewhat extended summer vacation which included Florida, where they saw Herb and Ruth Gee in West Palm Beach, and 5 weeks on Grand Bahama in a rented condominium apartment with the owner's automobile included!

Duncan Sinclair writes that he has struggled through a year at Duke to get an M.A.T. (master of arts in teaching?) under the National Science Foundation program and is now going to teach math at Germantown Academy. His new address is: Greystone Apt. W-3, Butler Pike, Ambler, Pa. 19002. Dunc writes that elder son, Bruce (Capt. Armor, USMA '64), is en route to Vietnam to join the 11th Armd Cav, and younger son, Duncan, after a year at East Carolina College, is going into the Army for 3 years. Daughter Bonnie lives with Ruth in Asheville, N.C.

In a very pretty wedding at the First Baptist Church of Clarendon in Arlington, Va., on 8 July 1967, Michael Playfair Marshall took for his bride the lovely Carol Ann Humphries, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Louis Humphries. Mike is the second son of our classmate George F. Marshall and Dahlis who is now Mrs. Robert M. Booth. Ten other classmates and their wives were also in attendance as well as Betty Butcher Hopkins Chrisman. Dahlis and Betty became very close friends years ago when both found themselves young widows with small children. The other Class of '35 couples present were: Don and Sis Bernier, Hugh and Marge Exton, Ed and Marie Ferris, Bob and Phyllis

Glass, Russ and Ruth Hawkins, Autrey and Amy Maroun, Bill and Ann Patterson, Bud and Frances Russ, Jeff and Charlotte Rumsey, and Hank and Arline Thayer. It was a real family wedding, as Bob said, with Bob himself as best man and as ushers Mike's three brothers: George F. Marshall Jr., Robert M. Booth Jr., and Bernard M. Booth. Mike and his bride will live in Atlanta where he is now a full-fledged stockbroker and asks that anyone who wants money-making stocks call him collect at 355-0697! Mike served his tour in the Army and then attended U. of Georgia, graduating in 1966. George Marshall Jr., graduated from Washington and Lee in 1961, did his tour as a lieutenant, got his master's degree at U. of N.C., and is now one of the officers in a business furnishing services to industry. Bob Booth Jr., graduated from Rensselaer in 1964 and is now a lieutenant at Fort Knox. Bernie Booth, youngest of the four, is at North Georgia College, wearing the stripes of a new sophomore. Bob says that Bernie loves the Army and probably will make the Army his career. Bob and Dahlis were planning to live in Atlanta after his retirement, but he had a heart attack which caused a change in plans. Bob chose to teach at Columbia Military Academy in Columbia, Tenn. 38401. He says that he and Dahl are trying to enjoy the quiet life but still find themselves pretty busy. They send best regards to everyone and hope to make a more leisurely visit next time.

A beautiful wedding was held in the Cadet Chapel at West Point on 5 August 1967, in which Priscilla Anne Dick and David Leo Bodde, 1st Lt., U.S. Army, were married. The bride was very lovely, the groom was tall and handsome, the entire bridal party was gorgeous, and the reception at the West Point Officers' Club afterwards was a really gala affair with all the trimmings. Among the hundreds of guests, a small class reunion brought together: Somers and Lucy Dick, Al and Jean Robbins, Rooney and Betty Rynearson, Nat and Ginnie Martin, and Jeff and Charlotte Rumsey. For a brief resumé on families, the Dicks have Nancy, who is the wife of Capt. Bernard Ferry, U.S. Army; Prissy, whose wedding was being celebrated; and, at home, Johnny, a handsome young man of 11. The Robbinses have David, who graduated from Dartmouth last spring and is working toward a Master's at Bucknell, and Andy, who went to Winter Park, Fla., last summer on a National Science Foundation scholarship and is now back in senior high in Arlington. The Rynearsons have Bill, a Second Classman at West Point, and Charlie, in high school (a "possible" for that exclusive club of two-sons-through-West Point). The Martins have Nat Jr., who is in his third year at U. of Pennsylvania, majoring in political science; Elizabeth, who is attending the American School in Lugano, Switzerland; Shelley 12, and Sandra 10, who are at home. As for the Rumseys, their biggest news is that elder son, Marine Reserve Capt. David, though wounded last March, is home from the DMZ in Vietnam all in one piece, is now on the inactive list, and is attending U. of Maryland Law School in Baltimore. He and Judy and son Brian, age 1, will live in Laurel, Md., where they have bought a house. Younger son, John, lives in Wheaton, Md., and works in Washington for the C&P Telephone Company.

The Throckmortons continue to cover themselves with fame. Early last summer it was learned that Cadet John L. Jr., had been selected as a tackle on the 150-pound football team. Capt. Thomas B. is instructing at West Point. Lt. Edward R. is with the 101st

Abn Div in Vietnam. Recently, Lt. Gen. John L. Sr., distinguished himself by his cool-headed handling of the Detroit situation and was assigned to command an Army, as mentioned earlier. Now we learn that, not to be outdone by his father and his older brothers, John L. Jr., has been appointed First Captain and Brigade Commander of the Corps of Cadets!

Meg Eckhardt has moved from California to the Philippines. Her address is now: Box 1, General Delivery, Clark AFB, APO San Francisco 96274. We hope George gets to visit her frequently from his APO 96266—wherever that is, it's only 8 digits away!

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Well the summer is over, and most of the winter will be too when you read this. So here's "ancient history"—Notes of 1936!

The Last Roll was called on 12 May for our Godfrey A. Fowler and on 14 August for Tom W. Cooke. Both of our esteemed classmates made the transition following heart failures. We shall miss them and hope that their families will continue to keep in contact with those of our group whom they have known so long.

We also acknowledge the passing of wonderful parents of two of our classmates. Mrs. James R. Westmoreland passed on in South Carolina in July, and Betty Connor's father, Col. Lattimore, left us in August.

It is a great pleasure to report that names from our ranks are still attending the Academies: John Beard, John H. Chiles Jr., and Richard Kelly entered the Point in July; while Donald Mikkelsen became a Plebe at Annapolis. Congratulations to these fortunate young men and congratulations to Jack Kelly who now holds the record with three sons having made USMA!

In a way I very much wish, since we are at war, that I could report on the whereabouts of all of our Sons and Daughter (Capt. Margaret Haneke, WAC) in every column. Although I can't, I'd like to make a token gesture to the young men in the 1st Div. Here we can start with our Class Baby, Major George Sibert, who is an air staff officer who won a DFC last December in his chopper. Then there is Abe's namesake, C.W. III, who is an Artillery captain. Then there is our recently graduated Tommy Hayes IV, who is an Engineer captain with

the 1st. It was the privilege of a lifetime and a great distinction that I wish all of you could have shared with me when, in June, I spent an hour with George Sibert "at his home and in his office" at the Red ONE Hq.

Skip Beard wrote from Brevard College, N.C., where he and Sally will both be teaching. Skip said he'd had a slight heart irregularity but was back in shape. They attended the Duke game last year with Henry Katz and Randy Dickens. Randy will be teaching a N.C. State extension course at Fort Bragg, and Henry will become a math instructor at Duke. Skip also said that Inch Williams had dropped by to see them.

Ned Broyles was at Benning in May swearing in his son as a 2d Lt.; his first station is Fort Bragg. Ned said he'd seen Charlie Pack whose daughter was going to N.C. State where Ned is, too. Charlie is teaching in Virginia. Back in July, Jack Chiles delivered a speech in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Truman Library at Independence. "Senator" Truman and Jack were old friends from 'way back. Ted Clifton became president of a new firm, Clifton-Raymond Associates, marketing communications.

Heard from Bill Connor several times. He and Betty went out west to the Black Hills and other places. He also visited West Point and saw our new Plebes. He was then met by the "clan" in Washington. At a lunch and dinner honoring Bill were: Lamperts, Dawalts, Yarborough, Illig, Len Shea, Bob O'Brien, Breaks, Pack, Kinards, Kellys, Shuler, and Hayes. He saw Steve and Elsie Holder-ness unexpectedly at USMA. Bill is now teaching German at the College of Charleston and enjoying it very much. Young Bill has fully recovered from his wounds and is a company commander with the 25th Bde which was at Schofield, but may now be in Vietnam.

Ben Davis and Aggie are well situated in his new job as commander of Thirteenth AF, Clark Field, Philippines. In August, Howell Estes had dinner with them, plus Kitsy and Westy. Howell was in Atlanta briefly in August and will probably return early next year to watch over his big new bird, the C-5. After Westy attended his mother's funeral, he visited Howell at Scott.

Ran into Jane de Lesdernier at the commissary in August and found her sunburned from a week's visit to Hawaii; Louis was in Florida. Was hoping to see the Chaffins and Evanses in June, but circumstances of historical and personal origin prevented same. Ben has moved from Ankara back to the Pentagon



1936: At Westy's quarters in June. Left to right: Abe, Palmer, Yost, Gage, Westy.

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

to the Joint Chiefs. Bill and Marion Haneke are retiring at the end of November, and he was contemplating a job in Richmond. His son Bill and wife were with the 4th Armd Div in Germany; Capt. Margaret is at Fort Riley; and Carolyn is living in Erie. Helen Hess, being more attracted to the Phil of a later generation, wrote Rev. Phil III, whence I spied the news that Whitey has been elected to the Richard K. Mellon Chair of Mathematics at Valley Forge Academy.

We are delighted at the arrival of Jean and Tommy Hayes in Atlanta; there has been something missing since Howie and Loaine Snyder moved away to Columbus. Charlotte and Bob Fergusson took over in Berlin in June. I would certainly think they will have a pleasant duty there as will John and Nonny Heintges who couldn't be more perfectly fitted for German cooperation and relations. I'm certain that Johnnie's closeness to Westy in Vietnam will serve as an invaluable background for him in his job as No. 2 at Seventh Army. The Holtermans announced the wedding of their son Eric to Laura Totten in June. Jack Kelly is summer-arrived at Personnel, DA.

I received a long letter from old friend Dan Kingman. He is living at P.O. Box 278, Goulds, Fla., having retired last November(?) from Fort Leonard Wood. Presently, he is tending a lime grove at the above address which does "passably." He says his oldest son, Dan, is an Infantry captain at Benning with one Viet tour completed and another coming up. A daughter, Betty, has been in Russia and is interviewing for CIA in Washington. Another daughter is a Pfc in the Walter Reed nurse program. He reminded me that our last meeting was on the 50-yard line; the tickets were courtesy of our fathers at the '46 A-N game.

The Lamperts gave away their daughter Hester in marriage to Lt. Richard Hill in July. In May I heard from Dan and Fran McElheny in Maitland, Fla. The head of the Physics Dept at Southern Colorado State, Harry Mikkelsen, wrote, announcing with pride his son's acceptance as a Plebe at Annapolis. Jane and he were coming east in the fall to see him and the Hiesters.

Ace Miller III, was married to Susan Heilmann in a June California wedding. Received a Sunday morning call from Bob Partridge in upper New York. He'd had a mild ulcer but was contemplating going to Thailand early next year in connection with aeronautics research.

Bev Powell left Monroe and went to U.S. NATO at Brussels. Von Shores has a new job in Personnel in the office of the Secy of the Air Force. Got a couple of letters from newly married Bill and Dorothy Sibert after their honeymoon in the Virgin Islands and because of some pictures I got of son George in Vietnam.

Bill Shuler is again running the Washington chapter, for which he is ably suited, and we are most grateful. He has luncheons scheduled for the end of every month this year and up to May 68. We hope there will be many attendees. Ike Smith sent a new home address: 9204 St. Marks Pl., Fairfax, Va. 22030. Steve Smith did likewise with: 4120 Puente Way, Sacramento, Calif. 95825.

In July I visited with Polly and Red Holton and Howie Snyder in Atlanta. All had come up to the big city and were in fine shape, except that Howie was suffering from a bad back following a golf game with his much more energetic son. Bill Sullivan was appointed a representative for National Securities & Research Corp., 120 Broadway, N.Y.

In the latter part of August Ed Wallnau was given a fine birthday party by his many friends at Boynton Beach, Fla., where he turned 72 years young. This summer I saw Dick and Jimmie Ripple, Bruce Palmer, Abe, Westy, Kitsy, Joe Yost, and Johnnie and Nonny Heintges. They all looked their very best. Joe is with AID in Saigon. Talked to Henry Mucci on the phone. He works for a world trading company, Calabrian Associates, in New York City. He says he spends several months a year in Saigon.

'37

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With the rather sudden departure of Jack Donohew from the Washington area to Maxwell AFB, Ala., where he's taken on a new job as Commandant, Air War College, we're casting about for a new class Scribe. These Notes won't be too voluminous, partly because the pinch-hitter didn't get much notice on the deadline, and partly because the last issue of ASSEMBLY contained about all the gossip available from the 30th Reunion. Then, too, most of the Washington contingent have been on the move this summer after mass retirements and just haven't had time to write us many letters.

Speaking of the reunion, Hal Hallock did a terrific job, all on his own, of taking a fine flock of photos of the crowd at West Point and putting them in a brochure which Don Shive is mailing out to each classmate. You should have received your copy by now.

In looking over our roster of classmates here in the area, we find less than a dozen who are still on active duty: Duffy Brown, Fred Clarke, Bert Connor, Scotty Hall, Bruce Holloway, Johnny Johnson, Dick Klocko, Stu O'Malley, Bob Seedlock, and Bob Taylor. Not many of the recent retirees have moved away; Solly Sollohub is the only one that comes to mind, and Giles Evans writes from Florida that Solly is now a civilian engineer with the Florida Board of Conservation. Solly was pre-

sented the Army's DSM in July at a special ceremony in Jacksonville, Fla., for his work as district engineer in that section several years ago as well as for his more recent accomplishments with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Washington.

Giles added in his letter that Hugh Sawyer was taking a course in law at Stetson U. in St. Petersburg, Fla., and that Bill Strandberg had completed his doctorate at Cornell and is teaching engineering in Philadelphia at Drexel this fall. We heard a rumor that Bill Hipps has also settled down in the Philadelphia area with Philco/Ford.

A couple of new retiree arrivals in the Washington area are Bill Bailey, back from an attaché job in Copenhagen, and Merc Mercado, home from his assignment in Uruguay.

Curt Low wrote from Colorado Springs saying that his new job is wonderful but real demanding and that he has a lot to learn. He said that he and Dick Hackford were the sole survivors of '37 in the Springs.

Jack had a note from Olen Seaman in Berkeley, Calif., complimenting the reunion committee for their handling of plans for the 30th Reunion. He says that classmates in the Bay Area have had several social functions during the past year—more than ever before. The West Point Society business in that area is handled by the Hq Commandant, Sixth Army, who has all the names and addresses of graduates living in the vicinity.

The last item of interest to report is a highly successful class picnic on the back lawn of the Seedlocks' quarters at Fort Belvoir on Saturday, 9 Sept. Although the rain began coming down about party time, it didn't do anything to dampen spirits because Bob and Tense had thoughtfully provided a big tent with tables and chairs and kept the bar and the picnic under cover. It was a great bash, made more so by the following attendees. With wives were: Bailey, Connor, Diercks, Dorney, Gildart, Hallock, Harrison, Hoska, Hyzer, Lutes, Kennedy, O'Malley, Shive, Williams, Mercado, and Stevenson. Singles were: Paul Cullen, Dub Haltom, Gus Prentiss, Betty Spengler, and Bob Taylor.

At this writing, an election of officers is scheduled for the next class luncheon on 28 Sept at the Officers' Mess, Arlington Hall Station. However, the results won't be published until the next issue of ASSEMBLY. In the meantime, please address your correspondence to me at the address shown at the head of the column.



1937: The class picnic under canvas on a rainy evening at Fort Belvoir. Hosts Tense and Bob Seedlock are in foreground.



1938: Sons of '38 in the Class of '67 receive class gifts. Left to right: Bixby, Kujawski, Boyt, Kujawski, Lough, Love, Boyt, Corley, Jannarone.

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Col. L. Dow Adams
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Jack Jacunski, Asst Dean of Engineering, U. of Florida, sent in a long, thoughtful letter. Since it contains much news of his family and some classmates, I shall simply reproduce it.

Dear Dow:

I've read your plea for help in the spring issue of the ASSEMBLY. For years I've had the urge to write a word or two on how the other side lives but have always gone to other things.

1968 is the year of "The Great Reunion." To many of our Class, the course will have been run, and we make reunion at the crossroads and will compare notes. So, from the several of us that destiny diverted from our original ambitions, we greet and welcome you. From the sidelines we have observed the years in their passage and nostalgically have noted fame and glory assigning its awards, and misfortune taking its toll.

How have we fared? In every way! We are in industry, we are in real estate, in insurance, in education, medicine, law, and the priesthood. And so we wait for you. How will you adjust?

In my case, life has made amends, and the years have sustained me. Son George, Class of '64, is a captain and is now stationed at Fort McPherson. Daughter Jinx married Navy and, with husband Lt. Travis and her two daughters, is enduring Iceland. Daughter Jan married Capt. Corcoran and is stationed at Fort Sill. My station is the U. of Florida. On weekends I play a very original form of golf and am trying to hang on to a 14-stroke handicap and not accept too many strokes from Mary.

Recently at the ASEE meeting at Michigan State I ran into Jannarone, Tubby Morrison, and Gus Chalgren. Gus almost slugged me when I gave him a civilian elbow in a darkened lecture room.

Occasionally a classmate drifts through town. Bill Rhyne was a student with us for a while and is now at Eglin with Data Dynamics. J.B. Coleman has been in and out and has designs on some lake property. Dave Sherrard has staked out a lot on the 18th green of our country club.

There are some 35 junior colleges in the state. If you are interested, the university has a one-year Master's program which will

qualify you as a director. You all come, and bring your college-age kids and your clubs.

Sincerely,
Jack J-ski

Ken Wickham recently visited Fort McPherson and Fort Sam Houston. He saw Stan McKee at the former and George Abert at the latter. Ken reports that both are happy, healthy, and contented. Ben Sternberg has relinquished command of the 101st Abn and is assuming the duties of AC/S, G3, USARPAC, at Fort Shafter. John Tillson has completed his tour as CG, 25th Div, in Vietnam and is assigned to First Army at Fort Meade. Meanwhile, his and Ginny's daughter, Kathryn, married Lt. (jg) George Patton Waters in Honolulu on 11 Aug. As the name implies, Lt. Waters is the son of Gen. John K. Waters and the grandson of Gen. George Patton. Birdsey Learman passed away on 27 June at Walter Reed. A number of classmates attended the funeral at Arlington Cemetery. Joe Reddoch died at Maxwell Field, Ala., on 3 Aug 1967. He, too, was buried in Arlington with many classmates in attendance.

Hubie Strange received the DSM at Fort Hayes during the reporting period, and Bill Latta received the LM. This is not a misprint; the colonel got the DSM, and the major general the LM. Greg Lynn has been reassigned from Fort Monroe to Chief, Joint U.S. Military Mission for Aid to Turkey, and Bob Ashworth moves from Vietnam to ATC, Fort Lewis. Lou Coira recently delivered the keynote speech to the Defense Credit Union Council at Hotel Americana, Washington.

On 10 June, Omar Knox was awarded an M.S. degree in math at Bowdoin College. Omar pursued a special graduate study program supported by the National Science Foundation. He already held an M.S.E. from U. of Michigan. He will join the faculty of Colby College, Waterville, Maine, in the fall.

Ed Bailey has returned from Europe and has been assigned as Dir of Personnel and Training, USAMC. He and Jean live at: 507 Virginia Ave., Alexandria.

Jim Taylor retired on 30 June and is now associated with Merle Thomas Corp. as a management engineer. Charlotte is, of course, still almost running the Hecht Co.

Let me extend the sympathy of the Class to Tom Sibley over the loss of his beloved Kay.

The following notes were submitted by Neil Van Sickle:

"The Air Force types of 1938 are well represented at the Academies, in combat in Vietnam, and in military service elsewhere. Sorry to say there are also a few divorces.

"Bucky Buckland has been in Denver since 1961 selling insurance. Linda, his oldest daughter, presented him with a grandchild in San Antonio last June. S.P. Jr., is a Plebe at the Merchant Marine Academy. Marge (Miller) and he have three children at home, ages 10, 8, and 4. Bucky says that Leo Harman lives not too far from him, and they meet occasionally.

"Leland Crouch retired in 1965 and got an M.A. in math at Duke. He is teaching math at North Carolina State. He reports good health, a daughter 14, and a divorce pending.

"Bill Frederick is in Eau Gallie, Fla., working as a systems analyst for North American on APOLLO and SATURN. Apparently, he and Tad are doing plenty of fishing on the Banana and Indian Rivers.

"Henry Huglin is in Santa Barbara working in GE's think tank, TEMPO. He is doing some writing and radio work. Greg, age 15, is in high school; Henry is in the process of getting a divorce.

"Colonel' and Elizabeth Pardue are back in his home town, Hopkinsville, Ky., where he is a securities broker. They have a daughter at Rice U., two daughters in high school, and a boy in junior high.

"Dick Sims lives on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, Calif., having retired on 1 Oct; he is program director at TRW. The first colonel in the Class, 15 June 1943, he spent substantially all his career in the same grade. OAO Fran and he have a boy entering the Navy this fall and a 16-year-old daughter, honor graduate of the Haight Asbury School Festival of 1967.

"Herb and Maud Spangler are in Los Alamitos, Calif.; he is contract technical performance representative of the space division of North American at Downey. Claims he is going broke buying California land. Both oldest daughter, Maribeth, and her husband Larry work for NAA; they have produced his grandson Mike. Virginia, the youngest, is a junior at the U. of California.

"Spike and Lucille Spicer are in Fallbrook, Calif. Since their retirement about 2 years ago, they spent a year traveling and finally bought a ranch which grows avocados, citrus, gophers, and snails. He is active in Scouting and community affairs but claims to be joining no march on anything.

"Frank Sturdivant and Dorothy are at his own Eutaw Plantation at Minter City, Miss. His only worries are either too much rain or not enough. Dorothy Jane, his eldest, is married to Capt. R.W. Atkinson, an F-4C pilot in Germany. Thomas 15, is in high school in Mississippi.

"Jack Ryan is CINCPACAF, and he and Jo are at Hickam. The two boys, John and Michael, both AFA graduates, are pilots in an F-4C squadron in Florida, and Patty Jo is in college.

"Pete and Jane Sights live in Arlington where Jane is studying art history and Pete is doing some research and writing. Daughter Randy was married recently and lives nearby; son Pete lives in New York.

"Lloyd and Kitty Johnson are in Washington, retire in November, and plan to stay in Washington for the time being.

"Hugh and Janet Wallace are at Maxwell where he has gotten a Master's in international relations and is about to complete another in education. Plans to stay in Montgomery after retirement next month until school is out. They have no firm plans for settling down yet. All five children are in college or on their way through the school system to college.

"Ed (Ski) York retired a year ago and is studying Russian at the U. of Texas. He is now back in San Antonio, and they have bought a house there.

"Bert Harrison is AF Dir of Manpower in the Pentagon. He and Janet live in her home town, Leesburg. Oldest daughter, Martie, is married, lives in Arlington, and has one boy. Bert is a sophomore at Northeast Louisiana State, and Janet Jr., is at Holton Arms.

"Cliff and Barbara Macomber are ranching at Cotulla, Tex., probably under water right about now. Barbara is teaching, and Cliff is a natural with livestock. Cliff and John are in college, and Robert and Debbie are at school in Cotulla.

"Harvey and Peg Barnard live in Pennsylvania where he is a vice president of Mohawk Airlines.

"Doug and Loraine Polhamus are at Andrews AFB where Doug runs the place and solves the troubles of visiting VIPs. Son Garrett is at the U. of Texas. Jill is married to 2d Lt. Guthrie of Shaw AFB, S.C., and Kent is in high school.

"Lou Coira heads the AF Security Service; he and Ellen live on the base at Kelly Field.

"Nick and Fran Chavasse are here in Washington. Nick is AF weather chief in the Pentagon and retires next month. They plan to stay in the Washington area.

"Mo Lemon and Lennis are at Bolling AFB where he is Vice Comdr of the AF Hq Comd. They retire next month and plan to stay near Washington.

"Castex and Petie Conner are in Macon, Ga. He is VP of the First National Bank and Trust Co. there.

"Bill and Dotsy Strand retired two years ago and built in San Antonio near Randolph. Bill is teaching math in a San Antonio junior high school. Son John is also teaching there, and Kristin works for the State of Texas in Austin.

"Fred Dean is Vice CINCSTRIKE, and he and Rosemary live at MacDill; Pamela is in New York, Anne and Emilie at MacDill.

"Merrick and Celeste Bayer are in San Antonio where they have been for a long time. He is dealing in real estate.

"I visited R.J. (Jug) Hill the other day at Fort Francis E. Warren where he is commander of the AF Minuteman ICBM wing there. Their boy, Bob, has two children, works for Corning Glass Co. in Corning, N.Y. Daughter Carol has one boy and lives in Tacoma, Wash.

"Jim Isbell is retired, and he and Ginny are in Alaska where he is head of the Alaskan Office of Civil Defense.

"Bob and Stevie Breitweiser are also in Alaska where he is CINCAL.

"Paul Preuss dropped by the other day. He lives in Morristown, N.J., and is working for RCA.

"Marge and I visited Hal and Mary Kelley at Langley AFB a few weeks ago. They retire this fall and have a number of interesting prospects.

"Bill and Margaret Kieffer are at Westover where he is Comdr, Eighth Air Force.

"Bob and Paulette Batterson are in San Antonio where he retired a couple of years ago. They have rebuilt and live in a very lovely old house there.

"Ken and Evie Skaer are here in Washington where he is finishing his master's degree in international relations and taking retirement physicals. They plan to live in

Mexico City. Bill graduated from AFA in 1964, married, has one daughter, and lives in Taiwan. Diane, his eldest, married an AF captain, and he is at Ramstein. Susie, Freddy, and Art are in school.

"Anne Blanchard left Washington and now lives in Fort Worth.

"Roy and Jean Heflebower are at Andrews in Hq AFSC. He retires on 1 Nov but has no specific plans. Charles graduated from AFA. Lynn is married and has one child.

"Marge and I live in McLean, Va. Our eldest, Anne (Capt.) Frederick, lives at Williams AFB and has three children. Kathleen's (Beyer) husband is the head of the drama department at Virginia Intermount College. Peter is starting at the U. of Montana, and Jane 12, is at home.

"The AF Dpty IG ought to be more complete and accurate, but for now this is the best I can do and meet the deadline. Please write for the next issue."

The Washington contingent held a luncheon at Arlington Hall Station on 21 Sept. English, Bert Harrison, Desloge Brown, Ekman, Chesarek, Taylor, Chavasse, Collins, Wickham, Lotz, Machen, Jesse Thomas, Corbett, Murray, Kopesak, and Adams attended. The following is the slate of officers for the coming year: president—Collins, secretary/treasurer—Desloge Brown, entertainment—Lotz, and Scribe—Van Sickle.

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With Andy Goodpaster now on duty as Commandant, National War College, John Carpenter at the Air University, Bill McCafrey at Army War College, and Mike Davison at Leavenworth, the Class is admirably represented in the career training of those who follow.

Assisting Andy at NWC are John Meyer, as Director of Educational Development, and Gene Trahan, as Director of Administration. Bill George was due at Fort Sill in September to be Dpty AC at the Arty and Msl School.

Recently noted arrivals in the civilian edu-



1939: Dave Matheson receives the Army Commendation Medal on the occasion of his retirement. Presentation was made at Stewart AFB, N.Y.

cational field are: Jack Dobson, named as 6th superintendent of Culver Military Academy, effective 1 Sept, and Bernie Teeters, holding an executive position at Norwich U. since last July.

Burr and Lucille Showalter are reported to be in Dayton, Ohio, where Burr is doing a great job in connection with a multifold expansion of the U. of Dayton. Bill McConnell is teaching history at Colorado State, where he took an M.A. after retirement in about 1960. (Norm Farrell shows his confidence in Bill's choice when he enters son Jay at C.S.U. in September.) Steve Mancuso recently departed from Northern Virginia Community College and is now a systems analyst with Vitro Corp., Silver Springs, Md.

Education is a fertile field for those doffing the uniform and the emoluments have improved. The Class will be interested to hear news of others so inclined. In fact, this column would like to hear from all of you still literate. Send news to the address at the masthead.

A press release from Metcalf & Eddy, Inc., Engineers of Boston, New York, and Palo Alto, announces the promotion of Woody Wilson to senior associate of the firm. And another from Stewart AFB shows Dave Matheson receiving the ACM upon retirement from active service. Dave holds an M.S. in civil engineering from the U. of California at Berkeley.

Walt Vann departed Fort Hancock, where he was CG, 52d Arty Bde (Air Defense), and became director of the Defense Contract Administration Services Region in New York, a multi-billion dollar business. Some trip!

Duckworth was welcomed at the August luncheon of the Washington, D.C., contingent. He retired to 130 Foothill Blvd., San Luis Obispo, and joined John Olson who also works at Booz-Allen Applied Research, Inc. John is in Kansas City, however, and Ben will be in Saigon for temporary duty returning to K.C. in about January. Bill Preston retired 31 July at Fort Benning. Stan Dziuban left the Institute for Defense Analysis, Arlington, Va., and is reported to be in Miami. Joe Kingsley is also reported to be in Florida. No other details on Joe, Stan, or Bill. I never considered any of them modest, so how about some letters, fellows, to fill us in?

Bob Ploger was awarded the Wheeler Medal (Lt.Gen. Raymond A.) for 1966 in recognition of "... distinguished contributions in the planning and execution of operational support to combat units; the planning, design, and construction of numerous complex operational, administrative, and logistics facilities, as well as extensive intelligence and mapping activities..." while CG of the 18th Engr Bde and later the U.S. Army Engr Comd, Vietnam.

Shep FitzGerald participated with the skeet team from Hq USAF in international competition at Savannah, Ga., during July.

Dave Goodwin is C/S, Test Evaluation Comd at Aberdeen, and Jim Keller is posted to Army Security Agency.

Stan Dziuban's son Stephen entered USAFA this summer with the Class of 1971.

Chet Lennhoff's daughter, Anne, was married to Mr. Charles Dodd of Alexandria, Va., on 24 Aug, and Al Rollin's son, Bill, married Miss Luanne Begley, daughter of Col. Tom Begley of Washington, D.C., at Fort Belvoir Chapel in July.

Keep the letters and postcards coming, folks. We sit around the table here in Washington, after our monthly martini luncheon, read them, and cry.

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Quoting my neighbor, Ren Keleher, '41, the resident Editor of ASSEMBLY: "The femme's edition of your column is a gem of an idea." So now, ladies, it's up to you. If you missed the idea, it is merely that the winter issue will be made up of letters written by the staff side. We will only edit when absolutely necessary. The forum is yours.

There seems to be a great deal of movement among the general officers. If you have missed them, here they are: Gleszer, Woodward, and Coats have been nominated to major general. Ferrill is writing a heated letter of protest to his congressman in Kentucky about Woodward. Parker, Coats, Shoemaker, Vaughan, Scott, Woodward, and Leahy have been nominated for permanent brigadier general. Larry Fuller has been nominated as a permanent major general and takes over as the Asst JAG. Howard Penney was promoted to brigadier general in the Regular Army. General officer assignments show: Jack Wright taking over as CG of the Infantry School, Clapsaddle assigned to Seventh Army, Podufaly going to Engr Div, Pacific Ocean, APO 96558. Roy Nelson has assumed duties as Special Asst for Environmental Studies, Office of the JCS; Oz Leahy is the new commanding general, II Corps at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island, N.Y.; Tom Scott goes to Hq, USARV; Del Munson is off to Hq Eighth Army, APO SF 96301. Gleszer is the Director of Management, OCA; Wendell Coats is DCG, USATC, Fort Polk, La.; Woodward goes to 2d Armd Div, Fort Hood; Dave Parker becomes Dir, Force Planning and Analysis, OCSA; Ray Shoemaker is C/S USARADCOM, Ent AFB, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Woodie Vaughan goes to Asst Dir, Plans Prog & Systems, DSA; and Bob Williams is Dir, Army Aviation, OACSFOR, Washington, D.C.

Stub Oseth has orders to OTIG, D.C.; Dave Guy goes to STRATCOM, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.; W.W. Saunders is off to Air Defense School at Fort Bliss. Jim Loewus retired, but I have no home address. Dave Byrne was appointed Dpty Asst Commandant of the Air Defense School at Fort Bliss. John Graf came from Vietnam to the Engr Div, Ohio River, Cincinnati, and Chuck Beaudry is back from Europe going to the Pacific Msl Range, Vandenberg AFB, in California.

Tanya Louise Wohner was married to Navy Lt. j.g. James G. Haunty on 8 July at Norfolk, Va. Barbara Knight Warren married Richard L. Nelson; both are attending Stanford U. Mr. John Harvey Pidgeon wed Tanna Jean Covell on 9 Sept in Albany, N.Y.

"Fire Horse Answers Call" the West Hartford paper said as "Nosek heads for Vietnam task." Thad writes from Danang that as VP of Metcalf and Eddy and resident manager of their operations in Vietnam he is fighting the war as a civilian. Thad took a leave of absence as Dir of Public Works for West Hartford to head 100 mechanical design engineers in Vietnam. George Mueller is assigned to USA ELM MAAG Ethiopia, APO N.Y. 09319. Fran stays at: 2424 Union Street, San Francisco, Calif. 94123. Ray and Sissy Bates are in Hawaii, Ray working in communications. Ivan Sattlem settled down in Tokyo (Loretta has arrived) and is competing with the kamikazi cab drivers. C.K. Wilcox retired from the Air Force and has accepted a position as principal analyst with the Computer Usage Development Corp. He is serving in the Boston office as manager of military and

commercial information processing. C.K. has daughter Barby at the U. of Mass. and Sandy at M.I.T. Both go into their second year. His address is: 33 Meadow Brook Road, Bedford, Mass. 01730.

Featherbelly Woodward reports that "Cardinal" Fitzpatrick is retired in Austin, Tex., and that Danny Briggs is in Fort Sam Houston. Don Yeuell is with Litton Systems in Van Nuys, Calif., and reports that a visit to San Francisco revealed that the Millicans and Websters are busy. Eben Swift is in Carmel writing a war novel and completing courses for teaching credentials.

Skip Fowler is going to retire in Colorado next year but as yet has no definite plans except to stay in the area. Daughter Marcia is in Stanford and oldest boy, Gordon, is at graduate school (business administration) at Stanford. Robin Fowler just returned from a Navy tour in Vietnam. Art Frontczak received the 2d award of the USAF Commendation Medal during his retirement ceremony in Denver. I do not have his retirement address. Jim "Rat" Moore received the LM from Dick Stilwell '38, on 22 June in ceremonies held in Bangkok, Thailand.

Company representatives in the DC area for 67-68 are as follows: A-B Company—Chuck Noble, 6346 Munhall Court, McLean, Va., 356-8592; C-D Company—Bill Kasper, General Dynamics Corp., 1710 H Street NW., Washington, D.C., 298-6600; E-F Company—Dick Kent, 6358 Crosswoods Drive, Falls Church, Va.; G-H Company—Morry Shoss, 7416 Gary Street, Springfield, Va., 451-6878; I-K Company—Charlie Banks, Qtrs. 52, Fort Belvoir, Va. 41625; and L-M Company—Bob Brewer, 133 N. Irving Street, Arlington, Va., 525-3562. If you are passing through Washington, ordered to Washington, or are merely lonely, call any of them. Kent, cagier than the rest depends on carrier pigeons. The roster of classmates in the area is now in my hands thanks to the unswerving devotion of Kermit "Dental" Dyke, the secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Steve and Ann Silvasy's son, who was our first graduate son, is doing us proud. He has served with the 82d Abn Div at Fort Bragg and the Dominican Republic and in Vietnam. He has 2 Silver Stars, a Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal, the Combat Infantry Badge, and is a senior parachutist. He also has the Purple Heart, the Soldier's Medal, the Air Medal, and a number of U.N. Medals. He is presently assigned to the Ranger School at Benning. Class of 1963, please copy.

The summer was punctuated by short visits with Frank Devlin, John Pidgeon, and Hank Adams. Devlin and I again invaded the sanctuary of Qtrs. 100 attired in sport shirts, which we could never do when Gen. Benedict was in charge.

To all: Yuletide greetings, and send an old Xmas card with your new address thereon.

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Col. Burton C. Andrus Jr.
American Embassy
Bern, Switzerland

"A Big Week for Army Generals," said the *Journal*, and so it was. Roy Kelley, Bob Tarbox, Pudge Kennedy, Mike Greene, Bill Gleason, Spec Powell, Joe Reed, and Charlie Fletcher, members of the "all star team" of '41, were finally voted into the "hall of fame." Ted deSaussure added his 2d star and was a file closer on the first squad of permanent BG's which included: Bill Gribble, Phil Seneff, Ed Rowney, Jack Norton, and George Pickett. Cheers! Hats Off! And well done!



1941: Cheyney and Jack Norton at reception held in their honor in St. Louis in July. Jack had just taken over as CG, Army Aviation Materiel Command.

The war in Vietnam has sent one of our Class Sons home. Unhappily his hero's welcome was quiet and very solemn, for 2d Lt. Straughan D. Kelsey Jr., of the U.S. Marine Corps, was killed in action at Quang Tin on 3 June 67. Our first Class Son to give his life for his country had graduated from Princeton, won the Kiwanis Club award as the outstanding graduate of the Defense Language West Coast Branch, and married the lovely Donna Saunders. He was given a soldier's resting place with full military honors at Arlington. Jack and Bumpy can be reached at: 201 Deland Ave., Indialantic, Fla.

A note from A. Wray White revealed that "Big Hardware Man" Woolwine had recently made the Cincinnati *Inquirer* during a staff visit to the local procurement detachment. During the press interview, Walter dropped several eight-digit figures and then, after dinner, dropped in at JCH and Pat Lee's lovely home in Hyde Park for a nightcap. An earlier note from Wray opines, regarding the yearbook, that Bill Vaughan is probably the only authentic genius we spawned. Dick Travis commented that when his book arrived he had to dig out the HOWITZER to figure out who all those "old men" were.

Jack and Cheyney Norton were honored recently at a reception in St. Louis. Reported by the Army Press Service, Jack has assumed command of the Army Aviation Materiel Command. Our First Soldier and his lovely



1941: Emilie and Bob Elsberry help to launch son Robert as regular Air Force officer.

bride looked rested and fit for duty in strifetom CONUS. A press photo from Korea dated 1 July shows Mary Jane Foster and Gen. Bonesteel pinning stars on Hugh's epaulettes. Other press photos show Lloyd Salisbury looking pleased as he receives the LM upon his departure from Heidelberg. Guy Goddard shoulders his second star as Dpty Dir for Construction, and Barney Woodruff receives the AF Commendation Medal upon his retirement.

A note from Bob and Emilie Elsberry reports that son Robert graduated with highest honors (physics) from U. of Md. and received a regular commission in the USAF. He made Phi Beta Kappa and four other honoraries and is off to the Naval Postgrad School at Monterey to study nuclear engineering. Father Bob is keeping pace, having finished his M.S. in education and is now pressing on towards his Ph.D.

Ren Keleher reports only one son in the Class of '71, John S. Brown. Father Horace has had a busy summer and fall of plebe boodle fights while running the AOC. USNA reports Greene, M.J.L. Jr.; the USAFA—negative '41 doolies.

Starting with a pre-season ranking in the top 20, Tom Cahill's boys are, like Moshe Dayan's, restlessly waiting for someone to try an invasion. There will be hard afternoons in store for the forces maneuvering from the Maryland peninsula and the Colorado highlands.

The Christmas letter should have been logged in, suspended, and logged out of your office by the time you read this. We are looking forward to about 48 new participants this year as we draw additional members of the class family into our circle. For example, Col. Bernard S. Thompson (father of Thompson, D.V.), 8058 Broadway, Apt. 250-U, San Antonio 78209, sent congratulations on our 25th anniversary, thanked us for tracking him down, and asked to be included in the Christmas letter drill. Another is Mrs. Elizabeth K. Hardy (widow of Andrews, G.L.), 625 Bush St. #521, San Francisco 94108, who welcomed what she called "the first contact she has had from the Class since George's tragic crash." A nice long letter from Mrs. Daniel C. Poor (Jane Kromer) 13308 Thornhill Drive, St. Louis 63131, brought us up-to-date on Bill's two daughters: "Pamela was graduated from Smith with honors and is now married and living in N.Y.C. where she and her husband manufacture, repair, teach, and play ancient and unusual musical instruments. Marcia, born two weeks after Bill went overseas, was graduated from Colby, married Francis Hanlon, and now has two enchanting daughters. Finishing law school, Francis found a position with Ropes and Grey of Boston."

A note from Dennis Grace from Camp Darby in Leghorn says his job took him to Afghanistan three times and to Somalia once in his first three months. Jean Moody announced the marriage of her daughter Jean Enwright to Mr. Joseph J. Romano on 29 July.

The *Journal* announced that someone was to be the new Com, but they failed to display their usual good taste by stating Dick Scott's new assignment: Hq AFCENT, station in Brunssum, The Netherlands, APO N.Y. 09011. Other orders: John Brooks to Executive Dir of Tech & Log Services, DSA, Cameron Sta; Tom Cleary to the AWC faculty, Carlisle; Dave Gauvreau to president, Air DefBd. Bliss; Hugh Foster, Army Communications System Agency, Monroe; Boaty Boatwright to Riley; Fred Ascani to Hq AFLC, Wright-Pat. Retired; Walt Molesky, Earl Brown, Barney

Woodruff, John Atkinson, Al Hayduk, Bob Clark, and Joe Gurfein.

During my second junket to CONUS, I had a delightful dinner with George and Skip Brown. George's long years of long hours in the Pentagon seem not to have aged him much, and Skip, glory be, looks just as young as she did in the days when we were all trying to get George's name on our hop cards.

George McIntyre wrote a nice long letter from Bangkok. He said he had an opportunity to congratulate Bill Gleason in person and that Bill is now ADC, 25th Inf Div. He and Betty got away to some Malaysian golf courses and junk shops where Betty added to her store of Oriental treasures.

Fox Rhynard brought new laurels to himself and to the Class when his air division won the coveted Gen. Freddy Smith award, the annual citation to the best unit in the Air Defense Command.

BEAT USAFA AND STOMP NAVY!!

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The best thing that's happened since that great 25th is the news that J. Russell Deane Jr., and S. William Koster have been tapped to join the 2-star set. Jack comes here to ACSFOR, and Sam leaves ACSFOR for USARV. The next best thing is the news that Jack Barnes, Larry Caruthers, Al Hunter, Rock Obenchain, and Rip Young have been nominated to join the BG ranks. Jack is off to Vietnam; Larry has orders from Vietnam to Heidelberg; Al expects his anticipated R&R at Carlisle to be a brief one; Obie is newly arrived here; and Rip writes that they'll be staying in Europe. He'd already been extended to 68 to see the Engr Comd through its first year and reports Bettye enchanted with the increased weight allowance! They're expecting daughter Linda to go back to Indiana U. for her sophomore year and Barbara to pursue a Master's at the same place.

Bob Beers has retired and become vice president and manager of the Empress Restaurant, Chinese cuisine and dancing to your favorite combo at 1018 Vermont Ave. Grand (re)opening in mid-October. Paul Cerar has left us precipitously to take over the Edgewood Rod and Gun Club—also the rest of his myriad functions on post. In '42's inimitable fashion, 3 candidates were nominated to take over from Paul as secretary, and Ed Aileo won(?) the coin toss from G. Foster and Dick Scott! Dick made his first local appearance at the August luncheon and received congratulations for having had the post of Dpty Asst to the SecDef (Atomic Energy) newly created



1942: Generals Gates (left) and Weyand (right) pin brigadier's stars on Ray Murphy at Long Binh, Vietnam. Murphy assumed command of II Field Force Artillery this same day, 1 June.

so that he'd have a home. Bob Claggett leaves Ali and family here while he's off to Turkey (JUSMMAT APO 09254) for a year. Frank Clay has been rewarded for his G4 duties in Europe with the job of ADC of the 101st Abn. Lu Clay has moved to be director of the aerospace program. Spotted a note in the AMAA mail from S.E. Cumpston and from it learned that Sam is back in these parts working for AEC. The weather we've had of late may make him wonder whether he should have brought the web-feet along from Oregon.

Bill Harrell has left Japan for the 314th Air Div in Korea. The 5 Aug *Journal* showed a picture which set military precision back at least a hundred years—Bill reviewing the U.N. Honor Guard in Seoul as incoming Commander, Air Forces, Korea. Johnny Heard is off to the U.S. Military Group in Managua, Nicaragua. Stan Josephson up and retired in a big hurry for a job on the West Coast, whereabouts as yet unknown. Andy Low has checked in to his new job in AF Logistics and sported his second star at our last luncheon. Charlie Mizell is still on his way to DC but has an assignment with OSD instead of the Review Board. Pete Moody is reported retiring on 1 Nov. Be sure to let us know where and to what, Pete.

Hal and Nonnie Ogden were here for a spell before he went on a month's tour at Williams AFB prior to shipment to Bill Plott's old job in Vietnam. Nonnie will be at their home in California. Hal Rice moves to OCCE. Phil Riedel has been honored (?) with a move to the job of Secy of the Artillery School. Jack Rose has orders to Eglin AFB. Bunky Scofield reported in from Vietnam, found that his boss had recommended that his job be abolished, and so has moved to DIA.

Dean Short is to be the PMS at U. of Georgia at Athens. John Short has retired to teach in the high school at Wollaston, Mass., and was awarded the LM for meritorious service. Jack Watson found a stay at Walter Reed for a little hemstitching the answer to his need for a respite from the special commission studying the draft. Ernie White learned that the new Air Force still knows how to handle complaints. His, with regard to the 61st Airlift Wing while he was in the Philippines, have resulted in his being assigned as its commander at Hickam AFB in Hawaii. Phil Wyman decided to make a few tentative inquiries regarding post-retirement employment, found himself swept along in the maelstrom, and retired at the end of July on less than two weeks notice to accept a high-powered job in the local Boeing office.

Boots and Bob Beers married off daughter Betty at a lovely wedding in July, and if central casting ever needs the perfect father-of-the-bride, Bob is it. Bill Gernert, now Dpty Comdr for the Field Command, DASA, at Sandia, attended a luncheon sporting his new stars. He reported all female Gernerts on someone's payroll and touted a "November Remember" at the ARMY-Air Force game. Judging by the plans of Garvin, Moody, and McAdam, it should have been a fitting sequel to the Reunion!

In addition to a previously mentioned item, the *Journal* has done well by us with the following: a picture of Bob Terry watching an assistant Secy of the Army place a call from Vietnam to Hawaii via the communications satellite; ditto of Karl Retzer pinning gold bars on son William K. at the U. of Oregon; and likewise of then Colonel W.E. Gernert with the Commander, Allied Air Forces, Southern Europe, following Bill's briefing at that NATO Hq. The Celebrations section of the July *Army* magazine contained a well-written column by Sam Hays entitled, "To

Thine Own Self Be True." His points on the maintenance of a high moral code and ethical standards were well made and good fare for all.

Notes from: Wyley Baxter commenting on the superlative job done by our reunion committee and the two majors who served as "aides"—the latter two have been provided with tokens of appreciation—and the great crowd who showed up to make it a success. His problems with Sam Wagner's obituary and photo remind me to remind you to get that personal information sheet into the '42 files so you can eliminate a similar problem for someone else some day. Bunny Bonasso says that they got out of London just in time to prevent cadet son, Peter, from joining the Carnaby Street mods and to prevent sons Vincent and Philip from becoming too enamored of their British prep school. Kay and Jacque will be at West Virginia U. this year—and, of course, they now have quarters big enough to accommodate the gang that isn't there. Fran Roberts says that SHAPE ain't the soft touch that a few old hands had promised it would be. With a 7-bedroom, 4-bath, 2-horse-stalled chateau (1962 vintage) as a residence, he wants sympathy? Except for the fact that older daughter, Murray, was about to put them in the grandfather class, and younger son, Phillip, was inhaling groceries, all else seemed serene. The Fergussons were expected to join them in October. John Sitterson wrote requesting Dottie Robbs' address and reported he and Marie happy with Okinawa and busy with the 30th Arty Bde. Tom and Virginia Furey, newly arrived, had been with them for dinner.

A telephone call from Ec Cutler brought the bad news that Wayne McCarthy had died at St. Albans Hospital in New York on 1 Sept. Burial was at West Point on the 6th, with Ec providing flowers and representation for us. We send our deepest sympathy to Mac's family. Without wanting to impinge upon the sorrow of the moment, whoever was Mac's roommate should start right now with the preparation of a fitting obituary. On the brighter side, Ec said that Sam Hays had had that hip joint reamed. Six weeks in bed and a couple of months on cane or crutches should see old Sambo leading interference again. Ned Fergusson, Dick Gerrish (Ivey), and young Jack Rose have augmented the '42 off-spring at USMAY.

John and Margaret Reid have returned from a British holiday—and this just after John had been named as chairman of Project '72 to raise a substantial gift to USMA by our 30th! This is a most worthwhile project, and I trust that those of you not previously motivated to return something to your alma mater will join those who demonstrated with gifts for the 25th in making this project the success it should be. Maybe I'll have to resort to blackmail and publish a list of those who should have come through and didn't! 'Nuff said? The Class has made a modest contribution to the Army Distaff Foundation and its Air Force equivalent. A nice gesture.

The official poop pictured Bob Bringham receiving the LM from Bill Desobry for his meritorious service as senior advisor to the Vietnamese 9th Inf Div. Buck Tarver received the same from Julian Ewell at Belvoir for his tour as Dpty Dir of Evaluation. Pictured, herewith, is the Anaconda Kid, R. Patrick Murphy, being pinned with his new stars by Freddie Weyand and Ink Gates. The accompanying dossier mentioned that Ray had earned letters in football, basketball, and lacrosse—which sounds much more refined than the usual title for a game in which peo-

ple beat each other with sticks! Congrats to all.

The initial return of Xmas Newsletter cards indicates that Al Frawley and Sam Henton are lost. Can anyone help? A plague upon the houses of George Allin, Bob Berman, Thurman Brandon, Bill Crosson, Walt Dillon, Bunky Scofield, and Carl Stapleton whose cards were among the first, and bore addresses but no more. Don't you know that *somebody* loves you and would like more news than that?!

Noted that among the affluent society are the Duffiés, Kusters, and Shedd's. This means that they are boatowners of one degree or another. For Sam Koster, this should result in a directed assignment to the Delta area. The others should just anticipate a new-found flood of friends, summertime type!

That does it for now save for 'NIHILATE THE NAVALS plus the best of holidays and the happiest of New Year's. If you feel neglected because *your* name isn't in print, drop me a line already!

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Once again your Washington correspondent brings you reports from around the world on your June-in-January classmates. Beginning with news from our Vietnam correspondent, Bill Knowlton, here are a few extracts from his helpful letters:

"Fred Ladd, who started with our Class at USMA and who still feels that he is very much a part of the Class, has taken command of the 5th S/F Gp at Nha Trang. He was previously with the S/F Gp in Okinawa. Frank Camm arrived in Vietnam and is the planner in the Construction Directorate of MACV Hq. He moved into the same house in which I (Bill) live, but, unfortunately, we'll have to move in December when the house is to be returned to its Vietnamese owner. Adrian St. John is leaving Vietnam for Germany where he will command an Armd Cav Regt. Meanwhile, Bill Wade has already departed from Vietnam for his new assignment as PMS of Boston College, leaving behind an indelible imprint as the best historian MACV has ever had. Ted Ardrey was scheduled to leave USAMC Hq for Korea, but his departure has been deferred for six months, so we hear. The Army Management School at Fort Belvoir gains none other than Dimitri Kellogg from Watertown, Mass."

From Germany comes word from our European correspondent, Jim Cobb, who has just rotated from the position of Chief of Staff to Divarty Comdr in the 3d Inf Div. Cobbo reports that he's "up to his nose" in getting-acquainted cocktail buffets for the officers and wives of his headquarters and five battalions but will set aside several days around the 1st of October for a reunion with the Mincklers on vacation in "jolly olde London town." On their return to Thailand, the José Bensons visited the Cobbos briefly and enjoyed the VIP treatment. Coincidentally, it was reported that José returned to Bangkok with the rich man's ailment—the gout. Brother George reports that José is already back on the golf course and that Philco will probably bring José and Nance home to Philly for good next summer. Also from Germany comes word that Flip Fenili had his stars pinned on his shoulders by his wife Louise and the 4th Armd Div CG, Maj. Gen. Scherrer. Flip



Jan'43: George and Edna Maertens were honored at a special ceremony prior to George's departure from USMA to Vietnam. Gen. Scott, Commandant of Cadets, awards the Legion of Merit to George.

is the 4th Armd Div's Asst Comdr for maneuver.

Jack Daye, our class treasurer, reports that Bill Pitts is leaving MAAG, Taiwan, to join us here in Washington as the Dpty Dir of the Budget in USAF Hq. Meanwhile, Ted Seith will be leaving his position as Commandant of USAFA and heading for Tan Son Nhut AB (Saigon). There he will be the Chief of Staff of the Seventh Air Force. John Buckner was named Comdr of the U.S. Forces, Azores, and the 1605th Air Base Wing at Lajes Field. He was formerly the Commandant of the Squadron Officer School at the Air University, Maxwell AFB. The Service journals reported that Al Shieley left Hanscom Field, Mass., to become Comdr of the European-Africa-Middle Eastern Communications Area, USAFE. Your correspondent also noted that Jack Wheeler has become the Director of Armor Materiel Testing in the Test & Evaluation Command at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Johnny Norris, before his departure from Washington to become the CO of the 54th Arty Gp in Vietnam, said that Bob and Ginny Fiss are still at Fort Sill where Bob is the CO of the Army Field Arty Training Center. Their daughter Susan is attending the U. of Oklahoma. Also stationed at Fort Sill is Jesse Hollis, who is Director of Non-Resident Instruction in the Arty and Msl School.

I had lunch with Bob Walling shortly before his retirement from the Air Force and his departure for Santa Rosa, Calif., where he already owned a home. Bob plans to become a building contractor but will do a



Jan'43: Janet Wheeler is properly impressed as her daddy, John P. Wheeler receives the Legion of Merit for service in Thailand. Award was made in September by Gen. J.F. Hollingsworth (center) at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

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

good deal of commuting to and from his original home in Wichita, where he also owns a building supply business and a ranch. His son in the Air Force is stationed close to the Wallings' home in Santa Rosa. Bart Yount is back in Washington, D.C., after retirement from the Air Force in Spain due to physical disability. Over a businessman's lunch, Bart disclosed that he is surveying the Washington area for a likely position in the field of international marketing.

Pappy Doyle wrote from Louisville, Ky., that he's so busy handling labor problems "by the gross" that his secretary takes the typewriter home at night to keep up with the workload. Pappy retired almost seven years ago due to physical disability. Skippy Moore also wrote to say that Dan expects to return from Libya in December for an assignment in Washington, D.C.

Tom Griess reports from West Point that Bob Beightler has departed for a new assignment in Panama. Tom has also provided us with a first-class insight into the details of our class reunion which is slated for next June and is intended to mark the 25th anniversary of our June-in-January graduation. Highlights of Tom's letter include an announcement of Al Hughes's location of suitable accommodations in a new Holiday Inn near Newburgh and a proposed schedule of festivities that reads as follows: "On Thursday evening (30 May), when most people will be arriving, we thought a dutch-treat assembly at the motel for either dinner or just cocktails in the bar would be the best solution. On Friday (31 May), we believe that, in addition to the items listed on the official schedule, the Class could have a cocktail party prior to the Alumni Dinner in Washington Hall. The four class members at West Point (Tom Griess, Al Hughes, Al Freer, and Buck Harding) would host this party, and we would have it at my (Tom's) quarters which would solve the problem of locating a facility at that particularly critical time. On Saturday (1 June), in addition to the items on the official schedule, we suggest a class picnic held at whatever facility we can obtain; the chances are that we will be pretty low on the list for facilities, but we feel that we can probably obtain a suitable one for such an informal occasion. Two other items might be worthy of inclusion—a simple memorial service in the cemetery to honor our class deceased (e.g., decoration of graves with flowers) and a class meeting run by the president of the Class. If you think either or both of these are desirable, they can probably be scheduled on Friday and Saturday mornings at appropriate times. We would appreciate your comments concerning the above program of events which, of course, will need to be firmed up fairly soon in order that plans can be made."

Tom estimates that the minimum cost per couple attending the reunion will be approximately \$100 to include: 3 nights at the motel, tickets for the Alumni Dinner-Dance and Luncheon, tickets for the athletic events, and a fee for miscellaneous expenses (cocktail party, picnic catering, arm bands, distinctive class emblems, name tags, class photographs, etc.). Incidentally, he welcomes

any ideas for a distinctive class symbol or costume.

By the time that you read this column, you should have received an information letter from your class officers here in Washington containing all of the details with regard to the class reunion. Your able class secretary, Bill Hahn, will be handling the correspondence. With Britt May's departure from Washington, D.C., for Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, Jack Armstrong succeeded to the position of class president, and your Scribe was drafted as vice president.

Turning to our younger generation, Bill Knowlton reported that the Class has another granddaughter, Lara, who is the daughter of Gail Benedict Shisler. Gail is the daughter of Charlie Benedict who was killed on an air mission over China during World War II. I was also advised by Johnny Hatch's father that Johnny's daughter, Barbara, became Mrs. Frank Miller in the Bolling AFB Chapel on 3 Sept. Barbara's uncle is Mac Hatch who is retired in West Concord, Mass. Young Paul Andrepont is an Airman 3d Class at Phan Rang AB in Vietnam. John Berenzweig, on the other hand, is in the Army and is located not far from Priscilla and B-wig on Oahu. The Registrar's Office at West Point reports that two Class Sons entered with the plebe class (1971): Robert R. Wade, son of the Bill Wades, and Thomas R. Watson, son of the Tom Watsons. The new plebe class at USAFA also contains two Class Sons: John J. Gorman, son of the John Gormans, and Robert N. Peterman, son of the Sid Petermans.

Jack Armstrong and Bill Hahn have now received biographical synopses and photographs from more than 100 of us, but they hope to double that number before our 25-year book is finally published sometime after the New Year. Both of them urge everyone who has not forwarded a 200-word biographical sketch and family photograph(s) to do so as quickly as possible before the printer's type is set.

This concludes another column by your correspondent from the "nation's merry-go-round." The assistance of those who wrote or phoned with information is greatly appreciated. For longer, newsier columns with photos, your continuing assistance is solicited.

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Our Class has been in the news lately, as both Bernie Rogers and Robin Olds were designated as Commandants at USMA and USAFA, respectively. This is quite an honor for the Class, to have registered another first



Jun'43: Tim Ireland receives the Legion of Merit from Gen. Estes.

Jun'43: Arch Hamblen receives decorations prior to his departure from Vietnam.



Nguyen Cao Ky presents Vietnam's Knight of the National Order.



Gen. Cushman, Marine Corps, presents the Legion of Merit.

by heading up the Com shops at both Academies. Our other first, of course, was Ralph Hallenbeck having three sons enrolled at the AF Academy at the same time. We wish both Robin and Bernie the best in their new jobs.

Just recently I had lunch with Arch Hamblen who had returned from being head of the advisory group, EYE Corps, South Vietnamese Army. During this tour, Arch received the Knight of the National Order of Vietnam from Premier Ky. Additionally, Arch received an OLC to his LM from Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman, USMC. As you all will remember, Arch used to be Scribe for this column, so he is used to a great deal of publicity. Arch is now on the J-staff here in Washington. Rundy and the children are with him; their new address is: 498 Latham Street, Alexandria, Va. 22304. The two older children, Katie and Jill, are attending college at Russell Sage College, Troy, N.Y., and Strayer Junior College. The other four kids are attending schools here in the northern Virginia area.

Had a note from Joe Walsh who has been reassigned to Langley AFB, Va., where he will be Dpty Comdr for Opns of the air base wing. Haven't got his new address yet. In his letter, he advised me that Vern Turner was to be Dpty Dir Log Plans, DCS/S&L, Hq USAF, and that Lemon Blank has left Norton AFB to become Comdr of the Sqdn Officers School at Maxwell AFB. Thanks for the dope, Joe.

Had dinner with Marty Martin, who is now running the Hughes Aircraft office in St. Louis, 500 Northwest Plaza, St. Ann, Mo.

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63074. He has made the transition to civilian life most graciously and reports that all of his troops are in fine fettle.

Steve Sherrill has retired and is probably going to work for TRW Systems, Redondo Beach, Calif. Harriett and the children are all on the West Coast, but their address there is unknown. When you get settled, Steve, give me your new home address.

Stew Giffin is CO of the General Spt Gp, CDCEC, Fort Ord. Carol and the children are with him, living at: Rte. 2, Box 608, Carmel, Calif. 93921.

Tim Ireland has been awarded his 2d LM for enhancing and advancing airlift support capability for SEA. He received the award from Gen. H.M. Estes ('37) for his duties at Travis. Congratulations, Tim. As I reported previously, Tim is now at McChord AFB.

Speaking of roommates, I had dinner with Dave Schwartz and congratulated him for all of us on his recent marriage. His new bride, Juanita, is a charmer.

Ed Rumpf is with the Office of Studies and Analysis, DCS/Opns, Army STAG, Langstaff, Moses, and Grady were the recent nominations for appointment to colonel—our congratulations.

Harold Dunwoody has been nominated for brigadier general, USA; our warmest congratulations. Young Harold entered USMA this summer and is the fourth consecutive Dunwoody to go to the Academy.

Ace Parker is Senior Representative, U.S. Army Standardization Gp, London. Bill Milmore retired and is in Norfolk, Va. Let me hear from you, Bill; I'd like to have your exact address.

Saw Irma and Jim Bower in Hawaii in August, where he is Dpty Civil Engr, Hq PACAF. Young Jim was serving in the National Guard at Fort Lewis, Washington. Thanks to both of you for the lunch, and if anybody is transiting Hawaii, be sure and give the Bowers a call. Ed Burdett was there on his way to take command of the 388th Wing in SEA. I did not get to see Ed, but we talked briefly on the phone. Our best to him in his new command assignment.

Our class president, Lee Hogan, asked me to include the following: "I believe one of the first steps ought to be a pitch in the next issue of ASSEMBLY appealing to the Class as a whole for participation and firming up of the number of folks who would be interested in having a copy of 'the book.' Maybe a letter from me as class president to all of the players would also be appropriate. Let me know what you think." Lee was talking about the 25th Reunion, as well as the 25-year book. Ed Rumpf, John Moses, and myself constitute the committee for the 25th Reunion. You should have heard from us in October, and we will take it from here. The 25-year book is undergoing some growing pains. Al Burdett is designating a committee of 5 people here in Washington for this project. You will undoubtedly be hearing from the chairman of that committee soon. The plan now is to have the 25-year book published some time after our 25th Reunion so that all the inputs of the Reunion can be included. In any case, start making plans now for our 25th so all calendars will be clear to make this a gala affair. If you have any questions about the reunion, write to Ed Rumpf, 306 Gruenther Avenue, Rockville, Md. 20851; John Moses, 4311 Southwood Drive, Alexandria, Va. 22309; or myself.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Congratulations to Jack Hennessey and Doug Kinnard who made the recent BG list! They join George Blanchard bringing to three our number of Army class stars. Jack will remain in DCSOPS, the Pentagon, and Doug in Vietnam (see below).

Our Class Sons are beginning to get into the act: Denny McAuliffe has been named scholastics sports editor-in-chief of the Washington (D.C.) *Daily News*; David Brown (George) is a Plebe at WP—he won a presidential and turned down a 4-year ROTC scholarship; Skip Harris (Walt) won a 4-year scholarship at N.C. State. Other sons at USMA are John Hennessey (J.J.) and Jim Nelson (Bill), both Yearlings, and also the sons of Dean Bressler, Bob Wessels, and Jim Young.

Bob Algermissen is now deputy for studies and analyses, Systems Engineering Gp, Wright-Patterson AFB. He received his M.S. in nuclear engineering at AFIT and an M.S. in public administration at Harvard. Ted Bartz married Mary E. Hruska in March, in Los Angeles—I believe he is still with Hughes Aircraft. Someone told me that Bill Bell, retired, had left his mutual fund job here, and departed Washington.

George Blanchard completed one year as ADC, 1st Cav Div, Vietnam, came back on leave, picked up Beth and the girls, and whisked them out (by ship) to the Philippines. They will live in quarters at Clark Field while George continues his tour in Vietnam as Chief of Staff, I FF.

Bob Brotherton completed ICAF in June, and he and Bea have gone to Germany where Bob is U.S. Commandant at Templehof, Berlin. John Carley is home from Korea to duty in Washington following an advanced management course at Pitt. Don Carter, commanding the 1st Bde, 25th Div, VN, is reported "happy as a hog in mud!" Eleanor is holding the fort here in Washington. Charlie and Dorothy Daniel are here; he is assigned to OSD, International Security Affairs. I believe de la Mater is still here with United Air Lines. John Donaldson completed his Korea tour, picked up Gretl, and checked into a new job here in DCSOPS. Bob and Marilou Drake departed Leavenworth in July for the 3d Bde, 3d Armd Div, Friedberg, Germany.

Barbara and John Eisenhower are in and out of Washington. They still live at Valley Forge. Johnny is completing his book and plans a lecture series this year. Al Forsythe, at Leavenworth, is Deputy Chief, Non-Resident Instruction. Ernie Graves is exec to the Secy of the Army, but he manages to get in an occasional round of golf.

Jerry Hall, seen at a reception, is doing great with a commercial finish association, real estate, and his farm; the occasion was the wedding of Hank Beukema to Anne Frailey. Hank's mother, Li Beukema Dorsey, is as charming as ever. She and Ben live in Chevy Chase.

Joe Losch completed his WP tour; he headed for Korea—Taegu, I believe. Al and Betty Maish are here in Washington. I understand he has retired and accepted a position here. A nice letter from Helen Young reports that Jim will return in October from VN where he has commanded Task Force Oregon Arty. I don't know his new assignment. Marshall Nolan is staff scientist, Office of Aerospace Research, Wright-Pat. Ed and Pat

O'Donnell are at Fort Belvoir; I am told he heads the Engr R&D Labs (ERDL).

Dave Ott must have wound up his VN tour as CO, 25th Inf Divarty. He was recently awarded an AM. Dec Pettigrew left OCRD and is taking language training here prior to attending the Spanish War College. He, Jackie, and family leave for Madrid in December. Bill Peugh, civilian, and Ruth are also here in the Washington area.

Having recently relocated with Hq, USEUCOM, from Paris to Stuttgart, Bob Royem has now departed Europe for Shaw AFB. Chuck Sampson is serving in Vietnam, and I must check the rumor that Betty Lou is in Washington. Bob Shoemaker is Professor of Aerospace Studies with AFROTC, Florida State U. Lee Smith is assigned as Vice Comdr, 3d Tactical Fighter Wing, Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam. I don't know where Audrey is staying. Tom and Trudy are back in town after his brigade in Vietnam. He is in DCSPER and hasn't forgotten how to play golf. Helen Young reports that Jack Vitullo returned from Korea, picked up Louise and family at Leavenworth, and headed for Belvoir (CDC, I assume).

Doug Kinnard has returned from Saigon and is in OSD,ISA. George Wear has the 3d Bde, 25th Div, in VN. Jimmy Adamson has returned from VN and will be PMS at The Citadel. Dave Silver, also back from the rice paddies of VN, goes to Fort Gordon, Ga. Joe Cutrona is Divarty Comdr, 4th Div, VN. Charlie and Frances Johnson will be leaving Washington for an attaché tour in Stockholm, Sweden.

Jeff Cheadle graduated in June from NWC and has assumed his new duties as Dir of Information, AF Systems Command, Andrews AFB. I hear John Boning is retiring—don't know to what. An unconfirmed report is that Bruce Staser has checked into Washington for assignment in OSD. Saw Hedy LaMarre in the hall the other day, but I don't know where he hangs his hat. Jug Williams is reported coming to Washington. Art Hyman has a brigade in the 7th Div, Korea. Mac McElvey retired and is working with Gen. Schriever as a consultant. I understand Steffes is assigned to the Air Staff in Studies and Analyses. Bob Ginsburgh, assigned to Office, Chairman JCS, spends half his time over at the White House. Willie Burr is here with the Asst Vice Chief of Staff.

John and Dottie Moore have joined the growing Washington contingent. I think he is on the Air Staff. Dusty Rivers left and has joined Hq, USEUCOM. When Bill Steger finishes advanced management at Harvard, I understand he will join Oklahoma Air Materiel Area. Dave Henderson has left AFA to become Vice Comdr, 31st Tactical Fighter Wing, VN. Still at USAFA are Frank Merritt, Graduate Manager of Athletics, and Jack Geyer, Asst Commandant. I believe Bob Cowherd is still with the State Dept.

Also, as this goes to press, I can report a very recent meeting of the class executive council here in Washington under the chairmanship of Bob Ginsburgh. A most welcome guest at the meeting was Bob Day, Dir of Admissions and Registrar at West Point. Others present were: Jack Hennessey, Curley Jackson, W.S. Scott, Fred Black, who hosted the meeting, and yours truly. Some items discussed were: continuing favorable comment on our D-Day mural; ideas for a gift to future Class Sons graduating from Service Academies (in view of the rising price of silver!). Most important was considerable discussion of an appropriate class gesture for the Academy at the time of our 25th (Egad!

Already?). One of several suggested possibilities is a "happening" rather than cash or a tangible gift, in view of our recent mural presentation. Maybe a presentation, symposium, forum, or ??, sponsored by '44 for June Week, would be suitable. At any rate, it's not too early to be thinking about it. Send me your ideas.

Finally, a note of apology for any gross errors or omissions. This being my first solo flight as your Scribe, I am learning fast what my predecessors faced. I checked into my new job this summer in Office, Asst Secy of the Army (I&L), and took over the column from Boodler Richards, who is off for his year at Army War College.

Please keep the poop flowing in, and I promise to do better than this first attempt. Include any recent group pictures of class gatherings. Many thanks to those of you who are already writing in.

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I'd only had a few drinks when I saw George Withey at a recent Carlisle Barracks shindig. Earlier that day he had given Arch Arnold some of his money on the golf course; that night he offered me the job as your reporter. A phone call in late July confirmed my suspicions that I had volunteered for the job!!! Thanks, George, for the job and for your fine reporting during the past three years.

It is with deep regret that I begin this column with the report that on 2 Aug Wally Hynds was killed on a mission over North Vietnam. Piloting the lead RF-4C aircraft in a flight of two, Wally was on a low-level photographic reconnaissance mission of a major logistic route when his aircraft was presumably hit by small arms fire and crashed. This was his 31st mission over North Vietnam. Memorial services with full military honors were held on 9 Sept 1967 at the Trinity Methodist Church in Sumter, S.C. Hannah (residing at: 114 Gayle Drive, Sumter, S.C. 29150) has asked that contributions in Wally's memory be made to the Air Force Aid Society.

Jerry Briscoe, our West Point statistician, reports that there are 25 sons of '45 currently at the Academy. They are: Plebes (7)—

Archibald V. Arnold III, Stephen M. Denz, Paul Drake (Harry Drake's), Donald E. Fowler II, and Robert W. Holcombe (Bill Holcombe's), William D. Raymond Jr. (Philip L. is a Plebe at USNA), William H. Wier. Yearlings (7)—James D. Byrd, William S. Day, John M. Forbes, Charles Gandy, Fredrick Goeth, Thomas B. Maertens, and Jeffrey R. Troxell. Cows (6)—Michael G. Smith (R.P. Smith's), Robert St. Onge, William B. Taylor, Lucian Truscott, Austin J. Yerks, and William E. Zook Jr. Firsties (5)—Robert A. Adams (Hap Adams's), Jessie C. Gatlin, John T. Harmeling, John H. Munson, and Fred C. Parker (Fred Parker's).

Further, Jerry reports Bill and Ginny Holcombe, Don and Betty Fowler, and Marilyn Day at West Point over the Labor Day weekend checking on their boys. He adds that George Garman is running the dependent school system in Europe from his vantage point at USAREUR Hq, and Bill Love is making sure that the Corps hasn't, as he headed the yearling training activities at Buckner.

Wally Wittwer sends greetings from Vietnam. He left Hq CDC in July to become the Provost Marshal of the Big Red ONE. Ginger and the two youngest of the brood are waiting in Arlington; the eldest son enlisted for the Signal Corps and entered the Service on 24 Aug; the eldest daughter is entering the U. of Maryland this fall. According to Wally this is the first time his name has appeared in the ASSEMBLY!!!

Jack Spiller has done it again! As a representative of Republic National Life, he has again completed all the requirements to be certified as a qualifying member of the Million Dollar Round Table. Bill Wakefield (Traveler's Life) also received the honor and celebrated by taking Betty Ruth to Europe this past summer. For those of us who don't know, the Million Dollar Round Table is an international association of the top echelon of insurance salesmen. Its membership comprises about 1% of all life insurance salesmen. Becoming a member has been compared with an actor winning an Oscar or a baseball player being put in the Hall of Fame! Congratulations to you both.

At the AWC, Bob Krebs and Cliff White hosted a class get-together on 7 Aug. Pat and Dick Crane, Marilyn Day, Betty and Don Fowler, Mary Gorder, Joy Jones, Joan and Frank Kane, Kris Kristofferson (Dossie stay-

ing in the DC area), Wynne and Rock McBride, Annette and Vern Pinkey, Carm and Rocky Tierno (won the annual prize awarded to the recipient of the worst set of quarters), and Amy and Jack Truby attended. Ginny and Bill Holcombe (not yet arrived) and Patty Drake (off to meet her Vietnam returnee) were unable to attend.

Fred Parker is back from Vietnam and the 1st Cav Div. He was the Asst Fire Support Coordinator for the division for four months and CO, 2d Bn, 17th Arty (105mm and 155mm Hows), for eight months. He is now assigned to DIA. Late reports on others with the 1st Cav: George Casey moved from CO, 2d Bde, to C/S of the Div; Snapper Rattan continues as CO 1st Bde; Andy Gatsis should be on his way home after serving as Dpty CO, 1st Bde, and CO, 5th Bn, 7th Cav; Bill Vinson reported to OCRD after commanding the 2d Bn, 19th Arty and serving as Dpty CO, Divarty; Bob Tolar, Div G4, should be home now. Other Parker news: Bill Farley moved from G1, 4th Div, to CO, 11th Armd Cav Regt; Phil Dolan retired and is now lending his talents to the Illinois-Indiana Technical Research Institute, Chicago, Ill.; and Jim "Intel" Holcomb is working for Lockheed.

Barb Arnold (2174 Grandin Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45208, phone EA-1-0473) writes that Arch departed for Vietnam in a "huge big rush" on 14 July with orders received a week earlier than expected. He is involved in the counter-insurgency and revolutionary development program, C/O Hq I FFV (CORDS) APO SF 96350 (The SHAPE of SEA??) Go get em, Arch!

Kieth Nusbaum (exec of 9th Divarty in Vietnam) is due back in CONUS in January or February for duty with the JCS—Latin America Branch, Western Hemisphere Division of J5.

Ray Cavanna came to DC recently on NIKE-X business. He is now the Director, NIKE-X Centralized Training Facility at Fort Bliss, Texas.

George Hoge, in Vietnam as the CDC LnO, returned home briefly to bring his boss up to date. While George does his duty Skip awaits at: 2404 Whittington Blvd., Alexandria, Va. 22308.

Dave Fink and Laird Woolley acted as the "volunteer" committee for the Class of '45 August luncheon at the Fort Myer Officers' Club on 16 Aug. Forty classmates were on hand to launch FY 68 activities. In other words, there's a bunch in the DC area. Aus Yerks brought young Austin to the affair—this young cadet showed me a lot when he prophesied an 8-2 or 9-1 ARMY season, with Navy a certain victim in the big one! BEAT NAVY!!

Reiterating what has been written before—let's hear from you all. Use the Fort Myer address, my home address: 8707 Highgate Road, Alexandria, Va. 22308, or contact me at the Pentagon (telephone OX-77556).

'46

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No. 84. In the last issue I mentioned briefly the wedding plans for the Parmlys' daughter. On 12 Aug 1967, Elizabeth Marie was married to David Gaul in the Catholic Chapel at West Point. To my knowledge Elizabeth is the first of the class children to get married. Am I right or wrong? It was a beautiful wedding on one of the good days, weather-wise, of the few we enjoyed here in the east this past summer. The entire France



1945: Members of the Class assembled at Carlisle in August prior to the start of the academic year. Left to right (seated): Wynne McBride, Amy Truby, Pat Crane, Betty Fowler, Phyl White, Annette Pinkey, Joan Kane, Carm Tierno, Janis Krebs, Joy Jones, Marilyn Day, Mary Gorder. Standing: Jack Truby, Dick Crane, Don Fowler, Cliff White, Vern Pinkey, Frank Kane, Ralph Tierno, Bob Krebs, Kris Kristofferson. Taking the picture: Bob McBride.

family was there and at the reception which followed at the Hotel Thayer. Bill Bishop, his wife, and daughter; Lea's cousin, Hei Heiberg; Marie's two brothers, Tom (USMA '55) and Whitney; Lea's mother; Lea's uncle, Col. E.R. Heiberg; and many other members of the family were there. Also there were: Col. Frank Kobes, Brig. Gen. Jannarone, and Ted Glowa, USMA's civilian construction and maintenance superintendent. Ted was the scoutmaster when Lea and I were kids living at the Point. Parnly is now at DCSOPS in the Pentagon.

I received a note from Pat Riedel who is secretary to the Superintendent, USMA, and thoroughly enjoying it. Their daughter Patti has been selected to participate in the Army nurse program and was sworn into the Reserves in September. She has completed two years at D'Youville College in Buffalo and will continue her studies there toward a degree in nursing. In January of her senior year she will be commissioned, and, after graduation will go to Fort Sam Houston for orientation and the start of a 3-year commitment. Patti won a "Miss Buick" contest in Buffalo for which she received a \$500 wardrobe. Pat mentioned that Bob Kren is now Asst Public Relations Officer at the U. of Missouri, and that Jack Whitener is now USMA Chief of Staff.

The new director of Infantry materiel testing at the Army Test and Evaluation Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., is Bob Tully. Bob is responsible for directing the test and evaluation of Infantry weapons, ammunition, individual field equipment, airborne equipment used by individual parachutists, and "other materiel and systems as assigned." A '59 graduate of the C&GSC, he completed the Army War College course this year. Bob is a master parachutist and served as CO, 2d Bn, 38th Inf, when he joined the 11th Air Aslt Div at Benning in 1964 and moved with it to Vietnam in 1965 as an element of the 1st Cav Div.

George Dorman recently assumed the position of Dpty Comdr of the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing at Bentwaters RAF Station, England. George served at Wheelus AB, Libya, prior to his assignment to Bentwaters.

The classmates in Pittsburgh have been joined by John Wiss who has been appointed Asst to the VP technological growth, at Rockwell-Standard Corp.'s executive offices. John was chief of the Army's Tank-Automotive Components Labs, Warren, Mich., from 1963 until he retired in July 1966.

In the previous issue I listed a number of classmates in Vietnam. Some changes have occurred: On 14 July Will Schug wrote from VN where he had been SJA, 4th Inf Div. In August he was on leave in Pennsylvania, and in early September he reported to Fort Devens, Mass., as SJA. Dave Peters, also with the 4th Inf Div, is on leave with his family in Hawaii. Will mentioned that he, Dave, Pat Crizer, and Bill Richards all went to Vietnam when the 4th left Fort Lewis last fall. Pat apparently is still Div G2 and Bill, G4.

Received a letter dated 21 July from Bill Simpson, who is pictured with Dick Ruble and Jerry Collins. At the time Bill was Dpty Comdr, 5th SFG (Abn), 1st S/F at Nha Trang; Dick was S2, 5th SFG; and Jerry was CO, 2d Bn, 327th Abn Inf. The photo was taken at Jerry's Sill-type CP in Quang Ngai Province where his outfit, the 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, was conducting "search-and-destroy" operations as part of Task Force Oregon. Collins has since rotated to the Army staff in Washington, and Ruble has rotated to Oberus, Germany, to command



1946: August reunion at Camp Drum. Farris (center) and Stratis (right) with brigade commander, Gen. L.W. Cronkhite Jr.



1946: Bill Bishop receives congratulations of Gen. Bennett following award of Legion of Merit.



1946: At Jerry Collins's C.P. in Quang Ngai Province, Vietnam. Left to right: Simpson, Ruble, Collins.

a Military Intelligence Bn. Simpson rotated on 1 Aug to command the 4th Regt, USCC, West Point. Tom Huddleston left the 5th SFG in May for DCSOPS, the Pentagon. Roy Gillig just joined G3, I FFV, in Nha Trang, and Bert David (full colonel) is SGS of I FFV. Guy Troy is G2, 25th Div, and Jim Ladd recently joined the 25th as CO, 2d Bn, 14th Inf.

A photo is included showing Bill Bishop being congratulated by Gen. Bennett upon receipt of the LM at his retirement which

took place at the end of July. Bill was honored for meritorious service while assigned to USMA since July 61. The first two years he was personnel staff officer and the last four years was XO and business manager of the AAA. Bill stayed on during August to help his replacement at the AAA and to organize the sale of season tickets. He is now working in N.Y.C. with the New York Telephone Co. He, Jane, and their daughter Martha were house-hunting in the metropolitan area. I recommended N.J. to him when I saw him at the Parnly wedding.

It was a switch in status for Stratis (civilian John, now an Army Reserve Lt. Col.) and Farris (retiree Phil, now a public relations account executive for N.W. Ayer & Son, Inc.) when they met at Camp Drum (best remembered as Pine Camp by '46) in August. Phil was there to write a story for the Boston *Globe* about activities of the 187th Inf Bde (USAR) from Boston when he ran into John who is the Bde Opns Officer. A warm reunion was held while the Bde CG, Brig. Gen. Leonard W. Cronkhite Jr. looked on. John has been with Sylvania Corp. for many years after resigning from the Army. The photo and information were sent by Phil who also was providing resident services as a writer for the Office, Chief of Army Reserve, Pentagon. He and John got quite a chuckle over the switch in roles while at Drum. John has been a civilian for a long time but still wears his uniform well.

You will recall that a proposed class constitution was mailed out last year, and a vote was requested to accept or reject same. I am happy to report that the proposed constitution was ratified by the Class in Nov 66. On or about 1 June 67 the class committee created by the constitution was elected, and the following men took office: Andy LaMar, president and chairman; Joe McKinney, VP; Jesse Fields, Secy; Bob Stewart, Dick Gruenther, Dick Kinney, and Jake Burney, members. Also, at the same class gathering, the local Washington group elected Jake Burney president and Willie Persons Secy-Treas. Gruenther was president of the local group last year, and he and Persons got the constitution rolling.

Jesse Fields has performed his first assignment well, and I will include his first report in this issue. I should state that I am your class historian. Up till now, our history, since that long ago day of 4 June 46, has been contained in the various issues of ASSEMBLY and the 10-year book. As you will see, a 25-year book is planned, and at that time, I am sure, a new summary will be put together. My primary function is to continue writing these Notes for class news and business. My first column went into the July 1947 issue, but there were two earlier issues which contained columns submitted by other classmates. With this issue, I have started to number the columns as you may have noticed. I hope that when this responsibility passes on to someone else they will want to continue the numbering for posterity.

Fields' report: The first meeting of the '46 class committee was held on Tuesday, 22 Aug 1967, at the quarters of Andy LaMar, president. Members present included: LaMar, Stewart, Kinney, Burney, and Fields. Members absent were: Gruenther and McKinney. The first item of business was to appoint Sam France as class historian and Ed Saunders as class treasurer. The class fund contains \$6,422.43. The president will appoint a classmate stationed at West Point to audit the fund in the near future, and this will be done annually. After some discussion a set of operating instructions for the treas-

urer were agreed upon, and they will be sent to the treasurer for his guidance.

It was decided that a special effort would be made to produce an up-to-date and accurate list of classmates' addresses throughout the world. To start with, the president will get existing lists from the AAA and the AOG. From these, and with the help of men in the area, we will attempt to piece together the best possible list.

It was proposed that there be a business meeting once each year, and that it be held in conjunction with the class party in the spring of each year. It was agreed tentatively to present gifts to Class Son graduates of the Service Academies, but discussion on this subject will be continued at the next meeting. Plans are being formulated for the 25th Reunion at West Point to include the publishing of a yearbook and the presentation of a class memorial. Joe McKinney is to come up with ideas for the latter. Jake Burney told the committee of plans for 4 parties this year, the first one scheduled tentatively for October. The next meeting is scheduled for 12 Oct at Dick Kinney's.

I have a copy of the instructions that were prepared for the treasurer and will pass them along to anyone who is curious.

'47

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Another summer is gone, and autumn is close upon us—and so it is time once again for a new class column. Surrounded as I am by a virtual flood of mail, it would appear easy to construct a literary epic. But, alas! I am unable to decide which of the five letters I should dissect first for news. Suddenly I am struck by the obvious: I will resort to an ingenious device which is in common use in the Pentagon (especially in those offices renowned for their objectivity and systematic approach) called the PENTA-DIE. This 5-sided token is a valuable decision-making tool, for, once a set of logical (?) alternatives has been prepared, it is a simple matter to hurl the token against the wall and so activate its intricate inner workings.

Voila! We will start with Tex Hightower's letter.

Seriously, letters are needed, especially from the Air Force and civilian types whose letters are all too rare.

A couple of columns ago we noted that Tex was going to retire, and so he did, on 30 June. Tex writes that he has built a new house in Cocoa Beach, Fla., where he will work as a management consultant for Boeing. Tex adds that Hank Paul will also be in Cocoa Beach, working for NASA. To all classmates who happen to be in the area, Tex and Lois say, "Y'all come and see us."

Also in the retirement picture this summer were Dick and Joan Allen. Dick retired at West Point on 31 Aug and will now work for Swift & Co. in Chicago, where he will be manager of transportation operations. Jay Bleiman has announced his intention to retire, but the Engineers have deferred action on his application for approximately one year.

Joe Addison, who has been "civilianized" for some eight years now, demonstrates that the urge to move is still strong. The Addisons have left Arizona and the Goodyear Co. to work for Lockheed in California. Joe is in Lockheed's Ground Vehicle Systems Division and expects to become involved in considerable Army business. As of the time of Joe's letter, the Addisons were experiencing the thrill of owning two homes—one just pur-

chased in California and one still unsold in Arizona.

Gwenne Heiser writes that Ron is in Vietnam as senior advisor to the RVN National Defense College. (I can't help but wonder whether the VC have a quota!) Ron was recently awarded the LM for his service in the Pentagon on the Joint Staff. Actually, Gwenne appears to be cleaning house, as, in addition to sending Ron over to Vietnam, she has shipped daughter Helen to the Sorbonne to study about things French.

Gordon Duquemin is back in Washington after a brief respite in far-off places. Duke looks great and is renewing his "Pentagon Pallor" in J5. I have a small bet with him that this time he won't escape the clutches of the building in less than two years.

Speaking of people moving, the DC scene has Bill Brown, Wayne Hauck, Jim Mattern, Jack Schuder, and Tom Benson as new arrivals attending ICAF, while Tom Perkins (OJCS), Mike Bellovin (Belvoir), and Bill Carpenter are also said to be here, altho' I haven't seen or heard from them. Word has it that Jim Enos is at MacDill (STRICOM) and Bud Salisbury at Benning.

Vietnam continues to have its share of '47ers with: John Miller, Big Perry, Bob Baer, Wally Veaudry, George Bland, and Hugh Bartley as new Army types, and Len Staszak, Leon Hudgins, Fred Jacoby, and Bill Kuykendall representing the Air Force. Al Learmonth is in Korea, while Bill Conger spends most of his duty time flying in an apparently random fashion over various parts of Europe. He probably gets more flying time than most blue-suiters.

Art Becker, who, as you know, died on 29 June, was posthumously awarded an OLC to the ACM. June received the award from Gen. Seedlock in a ceremony at the Capitol attended by House Speaker McCormack.

We were all stunned by the tragic loss suffered by the Faiths when their son Mike died as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident. The accident occurred on the same day that Jack had departed DC for Vietnam. Jack was turned around in California and is now assigned to the office of the Under-Secretary of the Army. Jack asked that the following note be included here:

"Jill and I want to take this means to thank all of you for the many notes of sympathy we received following our son Mike's death on July 24th, as well as for the flowers from the Class at the funeral and the donation to the hospital where Mike fought five days for his life. His head injuries were so severe that he is better off where he is now, and we, as well as those of you who knew him, have nothing but happy memories of his short life."

On 3 Sept Jack Dunham was stricken with a heart attack while on his boat. Fortunately he was not far from assistance and was hustled over to the hospital at the Naval Academy. Early reports had Jack in rather serious condition, but as of this writing things have improved, and Jack appears to be recovering nicely. After a few more weeks at Annapolis, we expect Jack to be returned to the DC area for convalescence.

Apparently John and Jo Hoover are enjoying Hawaii. What with Jo's multitude of activities on the post, numerous opportunities to meet and greet people passing through or taking R&R, vacationing on the outer islands, attending luaus, and working occasion-

ally (I think), it sounds great. John has made several trips to Thailand and Vietnam in the course of his duties, but he always has Hawaii to return to. John reports that Dave Odell stopped through on his way to Vietnam, and that Dave had obviously benefitted a great deal from his year of association with the senior Service at Carlisle. Also, Mark Kinevan has left Hawaii for USAFA where he will become Professor of Law. And, not to be outdone at reunion time, the Hawaii contingent celebrated at the Outrigger Canoe Club on Waikiki Beach, with Meade Wildrick hosting the dinner.

Well, that's it. Once again I shall lay aside my literary talents and hope again—with feeling—that letters will arrive in time to revive and rejuvenate the same in time for the next deadline.

BEAT NAVY!

'48

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It has been a bountiful summer, and there is much to report. I will be brief to get it all in.

To his great joy and surprise (to my joy, too, but no surprise), Sid Berry was nominated for brigadier general, USA. I talked with Anne the Monday after the announcement, and she was still in shock. Commendations, Sid, and I'd like to be present when the pinning on takes place.

One of our latest returnees to S&F, USMA, Tom Hoffman, is shown receiving the Joint Services Commendation Medal from then Commandant, BG Scott. Tom is director of Military Instruction there. He received the decoration as a result of his tour at STRIKE Comd. He, Smockie, Hugh 15, and Mike 14, have by this time settled down to post life.

In June we took off for Expo, which we enjoyed very much. This was followed by a tour of some of the eastern schools which son Dennis is interested in, the prices of which we did NOT enjoy. Spent a night with the Halls at their beautiful West Hartford, Conn., home. Jim's duties as head of government sales for Colt Industries (guns, not beer) keep him hopping around the world and to SEA. The M-16 is his special baby.

The June class meeting produced nothing startling. Dick Weber and Jim Macklin replaced Tom Jones and Arnold Braswell on the board. And, the results of the poll for the 20th indicates about 10 to 1 in favor of Homecoming, which will be the California game, on 12 Oct 1968. Mark your calendar. For those who are unable to make it then but can come June Week, I am in hopes of persuading the USMA contingent to have some informal celebration. More on this later. We plan a 20-year book, and Donn Starry has volunteered to head the staff producing it. He and Letty are now at: 8708 Piccadilly Place, Springfield, Va. 22151.

While we're about it, let me cover the arrivals and departures: Beinkes to AWC at Carlisle; Bellingers to Germany with 4th Div; Griffiths to Berlin; Pater left for SEA as previously reported; Van Arsdalls to Newport, R.I., Navy War College; Wally Williams to SEA; and Kirwans to Carlisle. The Egberts are at: 7309 Venice St., Falls Church, 22043; Gorrells at: 4774 Parkman Ct., Annandale, 22003; Petersens at: 1912 Dalmatian Dr., McLean, 22101; Miners at: 8603 Cushman Pl., Alexandria, 22308; Patches at: 2950 Garfield Terr., Washington, 20008. The foregoing are changes.

Arrivals are: Pompan: 4017 Whispering Lane, Annandale, 22003; Ed Scott: 1107 Montezuma Dr., Oxon Hill, Md. 20022; Willard Scott: 9115 McNair Dr., Alexandria, 22309; Joan Tyree: 9124 Patton Blvd., Alexandria, 22309; Wilhide: 8721 Camden St., Alexandria, 22308; Ken Webber: 3030 N. Stuart St., Arlington, 22207; Cooper: 222 Jefferson St., Alexandria, 22314; Haskell: Abington House, 815 S. 18th, Arlington, 22202; Dingeman: 8820 Gateshead Rd., Alexandria, 22309; Hubbard: 986 Powhatan St., Arlington, 22205; and Schlotterbeck: 7506 Pleasantway St., Annandale.

In addition, contemporaries Bill Chandler (7916 Foote Lane, Springfield, 22151), Bob Lynch (3830 Chesterbrook Rd., Arlington 22207), and Dusty Rhoades (7863 Southdown Rd., Alexandria 22308) are here.

Another milestone which should have been placed earlier in the column is that Jack Capps becomes the first USMA professor of the Class. He will be Professor of English, not Head (to many these positions are known as "Knot heads," for a more or less obscure reason). The Class is very proud, Jack.

Gene Bierer still enjoys the Jersey coast at 1 Rumson Rd., Livingston. Vinnie Lewando has been named manager of industrial relations of the plastics department and plastic sales of the Dow Chemical Co. at Midland, Mich. Vinnie has been with Dow since 1956, rising steadily. He has his Master's from Harvard Business School. Incidentally, Midland is Bill Bandeen's home town, and a charming place, too. Bill and Joan presented Keith Morse Bandeen to the Class on my parents' wedding anniversary, 28 June. This makes three aged 4 and under for them. I groaned, too. Which reminds me, Willard Scott looked around at the 33 families at the Labor Day picnic here and asked me if I thought we'd have 1,000 kids in the Class by 1970. Thanks to him and others I believe we have already surpassed that; at least it seemed so that day.

On 19 July, Jefferson E. Macklin was born to Sally and Jim. Since he wasn't a twin, Sally, will he really be an only child? Looking at the rest of her brood, almost grown, she says yes.

Lake Churchill, now at Hq, 5th Bn (AW) (SP), 2d Arty, APO SF 96266, plans to return home in Aug 68. He reports Arnie Sargeant at: Qtrs. 209, Sheridan Rd., Fort Bliss, 79916.

John McEnery foresees a trip to the exotic East after AWC. We found both Bill Hayden and Ralph Pearson, and neither thought he was lost. Still haven't caught up with Frank McClafin, however. Bill did some remodeling and moved his front door around the corner, thereby confounding the Post Office Dept. He resides at: 2701 Flournoy Rd., Manhattan Beach, Calif. 90266. He works on the Manned Orbiting Lab at Aerospace Corp.

Fred Chanatry is now assigned to: Hq USAFE (MMD), APO N.Y. 09633. Bill and Rachel Thomas still inhabit sunny Florida. Their address: 203 Alpmere Rd., West Palm Beach, 33405. John Maple departed for SEA in November as projected last September. John Withers returned his slip from: 220 Country Club Dr., Santa Rosa, Calif. Bill and Donna Cook were through Washington in early summer. He was complaining about having celebrated his 40th. Wish the rest of us could have that complaint. Anyway, they looked great. Other recent visitors, whom we missed seeing or talking with, were Sam and Joan White. Heard that Rog Conover is sporting a beard now and looks very well in it. Eloise won't let me try it.

Lou Schalk corrected me on his promotion. He's number two here, as I got it, and he hopes his boss doesn't stumble onto a copy of last fall's ASSEMBLY. Al Cerow expects to depart for SEA shortly. Walt Plummer reports that he and Jim Blakeslee are the only two '48ers at Fort Hood. Walt lives at 5915 Fisher Ave., ZIP 76544. Walt has the 2d Bn, 81st Armor, at present. Bill Kaula is another one of Gov. Reagan's citizens, living at: 1035 Centinela Ave., Santa Monica, Calif. 90403.

Charlie French reports that they, too, have been doing the college swing for son Mike. Right now Mike is thinking of Princeton (where Jeff Braswell is a sophomore) or Amherst. Charlie was in a brace for a herniated disc when he wrote and was missing his tennis. Incidentally, one topic of discussion at the picnic was future prospects for USMA. A quick poll at the time revealed none. Anyone have a budding cadet? Or, was that fourth year too much for your sons, too? Anyway, the Frenches are still at: 1885 Edgemont Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43212, and the next time they visit Dottie's mother in Westminster, Md., they'd better call here, too.



1948: Hugh Hoffman, Director of Military Instruction, USMA, receives the Joint Service Commendation Medal for service with STRIKE Command from General Scott, Commandant of Cadets.

Some new assignments here are: Tom Jones to the ACS of Staff, Jack Kean to DCSPERS, Otis Moore to USAF DCS (R&D), Donn Starry to OCSA, Sam Cockerham to JCS, Jay Hatch to Mgt & Eval Div, OCRD.

Jack Chitty departed Fort Hood for Korea where he is with I Corps (Group), APO SF 96358, as ACofS, G2. Ken Pressman was reached at: 19 Dane Rd., Lexington, Mass. 02173. Ben Eakins wrote to tell me that Postmaster General O'Brien's minions aren't living up to his hopes. It took five weeks to forward my first-class letter one mile from his old to his new address. Ben's now at: 8038 Loyola Blvd., Los Angeles, 90045. He reports that at Bill Cook's 40th birthday party he and Nancy and Lucille and Hank Stelling enjoyed watching the newest "middle-aged" classmate, particularly since he and Hank have suffered through three more.

Rod Saville returned a slip which was scorching in one spot, whether from the Texas sun or a cigar, I cannot say. Rod lives at: 1616 West Loop S., Houston, 77027. Jane and Bob Taylor are still in Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J., 78 Fairlawn St. Bill Smith has assumed command of the 603 Air Base Wing, CMR 241, APO N.Y. 09130. Don Reynolds is still at Fort Knox, 1443-A Fifth Ave.

Bill Byers, whom I last saw at Dennis Patterson's wedding in 1953 at Champaign, Ill., says he can't help us much on the 20th since he's at HHC, 79th Engr Gp, APO SF

96491. And, Bob Marshall checked in from: 402 Wayberry Dr., Fayetteville, N.C. 28303. Jim Barnett is still in Qtrs. 14, Fort Carson, Colo. 80913. He, among others, sent me Bill Hayden's address. However, it was the one before they moved their front door. So, Pickle, please correct your records. The Haydens, incidentally, have two boys and a girl, which should keep Marye very busy, if our three are any criteria. Jim has the 7th Engrs which is tough enough, but Pickle, the child bride of the Class, still wants to hit every social function, and still has stamina left for housework and 3d-grader Clay, who takes archery lessons from a real Indian.

Ken Barber dropped by to check on his land holdings. He and Carolyn are at San Antonio where Ken is an IG with Tng Comd. Frank and Mary McInerney dropped down from USAFA for a St. Pat's Day party. I recall the time when Frank gave Eloise and me 24-hour hangovers at West Point with martinis for a bridge evening AFTER dinner.

Randy Beirne, 4713 Keswick Rd., Baltimore, 21210, sent one of his too infrequent, but always welcome, letters. Randy is Asst Professor of Anthropology and Geography at the U. of Baltimore. He reports that at times he is required to teach anatomy of the female and sex education to coeds, something for which USMA did not prepare him. Following in his tradition as coach (he was plebe lacrosse coach at USMA in 1948), he coached wrestling and lacrosse for Loyola High School, the latter sport to the Maryland Conference championship. He keeps up with his Reserve obligations: finishes C&GS this year and teaches at the Intelligence School at Meade. He, wife, two girls, and one boy live in a 9-level frame house which cost Randy a hernia from overwork. He went to the hospital for repair. Keep up the news, Randy. I appreciate it and so does the rest of the class. It is a welcome change from SEA.

Mort Mumma will be on his way to SEA but wrote in from: 5743 Arnold St., Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. 85708. Anne and Sid Berry may be reached through Sid's business address: Council of Foreign Relations, 58 East 68th St., N.Y. 10021. Gene Forrester went off to Vietnam but left Mary Lou, Chip, et al, near Fort Belvoir. You won't believe this, but we drove 71 miles round-trip one night to see them. The distances around here are very deceptive.

Ralph Pearson wrote a most welcome letter. He is an insurance lawyer with Beneficial Life in Salt Lake City, 84117, 1102 E. 4500 S. He, too, has been active in the Reserves and holds the rank of lieutenant colonel, which rank I won't even be eligible for for two years. Ralph and his red-haired wife—I don't have her name but she must be lovely as all red-heads are (my mother is one)—have four boys and three girls.

Tom Phillips has gone to CCK in Taiwan for a year leaving the family in Abilene, Tex., at: 3725 S. 20th St., ZIP 79605. Tom will be with the 345th Tactical Airlift Sqdn, PACAF, APO SF 96319.

Last issue we reported Tom Ware off to SEA. His address is: Hq, 4th Bn, 23d Inf, 25th Div, APO SF 96225. Ann wrote to say that they had only one lovely year in Hawaii when Tom talked his way into taking over the battalion Wally Williams was relinquishing in RVN. So, the family went back to Tampa, Fla. 33609, 3420 Virginia Ct.

Woe Enderle is still CO of the 447th Signal Bn, APO N.Y. 09692. Lou Jones is now in the Canal Zone, 09826, Box 1735, Quarry Heights. He invites all to come visit.

Bob Graf is across the Pacific at Hq UNC/USFK, J4 Div, APO SF 96301. Dave McNeely, now at Newport, R.I., Naval War College, reported there after his second tour in RVN. The second time out he brought an Arty Bn over from Sill. He then joined TF Oregon before coming back to school. Rick Berry added a short, but graphic, statement that he would be busy in SEA for the next several months.

Norm Lovejoy sent in his address: Hq, 94th Engr Bn, APO N.Y. 09154. Warren Graves's tour in Guam is about up as you read this, and he is headed for Offutt AFB, Nebr.

Denny Long wrote to tell of his trip to USAFA where he found Frank McInerney had just been appointed acting head of the Language Dept. He planned to attend the S.M.U. game and hoped to see classmates there. Denny lives at: 248 Gladstone, Shreveport, La. 71104.

Joe Herbets replied with news of Sandra, Mitchell 10, and Diana 6, from Beaver Hill, Jenkintown, Pa. 19046. Joe is deeply involved in Continental Computer Assn, a firm which leases its products and does systems work. Although only two years old, Joe reports the company growing visibly. Joe ran into Joe D. Johnston '47, in Dallas at Love Field last January while on a business trip to LA. After suitable bracing for Joe D., Joe H. was allowed to fall out and talk with one of our older halves.

The sons of the Class in this area have been doing well in summer swimming competition. The Reston club found Jack, Rich, Stan Gaver, and our two, Dennis and Mike, carrying off armloads of blue ribbons. Jack, particularly, was a team mainstay, being well versed in all strokes. Too, Tom and Jerry Jones's two older boys, Tom and Andy, have collected trophies and other prizes in their swimming league. Tom, I should add, is quite a diver, probably the one most difficult spot to fill on any team.

With any luck at all this should reach you in time to say Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, etc., etc. Keep reading for 20th info. There will, of course, be special mailings. So, please keep me advised of where you wander. Thanks.

'49

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The news on '49ers has filtered in slowly during this period. Again we ask that you drop a line in order that we may find out about some of our long lost classmates.

For instance, how many remember Duris Boshell who resigned after plebe year to go to med school? Dr. Boshell recently was named Professor of Medicine in Diabetes and Metabolism at the Medical College of Alabama. Or who has heard from Joe Sencay in years? Joe left the AF after the Korean War to work for Douglas Aircraft. Joe is now in California, an instructor in management and data processing at Ventura College.

As collector of class dues, Bob Kemble has received word on many '49ers. At the USAWC are: Earl Betts, George Tracy, H.F. Lombard, John Costa, Charlie Adams, Dick Bundy, Dick Connell, Joe Muckerman, Doug Weart, and Dan Williamson. At the Air War College are: Bert Turner, Ernie Roberts, Chuck Reed, Gene Hustad, Malcom Agnew, and Norm Eaton. Wayne Norby is on the faculty at Maxwell AC&SC. Jack Ford is with an Air Commando Wing at England



1949: At I Field Force headquarters in Nha Trang. Left to right: Bob Nulsen, Bill Lowrey, Bob Springer, Tom Bamford, and Jim Martin (associate classmate).

AFB, La. Miers Johnson in paying his dues reported Howie Seney as living in Berwyn, Pa., and John Kiely as recently retiring and working for Raytheon in Boston. Larry Ogden reported from Qui Nhon, where he commands a petroleum battalion, that Bill Rank was leaving his Engr Bn for an assignment with NASA in Washington and that Bob Estes had just arrived in VN as director of POL operations. Bill Armstrong reports that he is an F-4 Tac Fighter Sqdn Comdr operating out of Danang, a command George Sylvester had before going to the NWC in June. Bill passed the word that Jimmy Hartinger is in the Seventh AF at Saigon but that he is leaving for Nellis AFB to direct the F-111 test program. Turner Croonquist is permanently located in San Francisco but what he is doing is not known. Chick Cleveland is reported as being XO for Gen. Westmoreland which sounds like a mistake unless Chick is the first general in the Class!

Bruce Carswell wrote of his departure from Jacksonville, Fla., where he had spent the last two years as (would you believe?) Dpty District Engr for Interoceanic Canal Studies and Staff Director for the Canal Studies Coordinating Committee (CSCC) of the Atlantic-Pacific Interoceanic Canal Studies Commission! Took two years to learn his title and now Bruce is headed for USAREUR. In his travels studying the feasibility of sea-level canal routes in Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia, he saw Monk Kurtz who is Dir of the U.S. Army Corps of Engrs Nuclear Cratering Gp at Livermore, Calif. (you've gotta be an engineer just to learn those titles) and also saw Marc Jartman, CIV (civilian). In closing, Bruce reported his old roommate, Don Bonwell, was now residing at 4 Stuyvesant Ave., Kearny, N.J.

Bob Slizeski wrote the following note from Bangkok: "Bangkok is a fast-rising challenger to the Philadelphia Municipal Stadium or the Astor bar as a place to meet old classmates. Holding down the fort here in Bangkok are: Ed Howard, engineering with ARPA, Bob Hansen, and myself, with J2 and J3, MACTHAI, respectively. Recent departures have been Snuffy Smith, now in the office of C/S Army, and Ray Drummond, bound, I believe, for National War College. Russ Lamp should be on his way home by now after building roads in all directions over much of Thailand. Dave Colgan and Dan Brooksher are 'sharing a pad' up at Udorn but manage to make the Bangkok scene occasionally. Incidentally, Dave finally took the plunge and was married to a lovely North Carolinian in April 66—he has pictures

of a beautiful daughter, born last March, to prove it. Recent visitors have been: Jack Bender, on R&R from his Inf Bn in VN; Bill Kennedy, on R&R from his Signal Bn in VN; Don Gower, getting the lowdown on SEATO for G5, USARPAC; Mal Agnew, in from Washington; Jim Stillson, from Hq, PACAF; Duane Smith, from JCS; and John Sutton, from Germany, in for some head-shaking at the Thai transportation situation officially, but actually to help Bob and Connie Hansen celebrate their 17th wedding anniversary on 29 July. According to the books, we'll be here until June 68 and guarantee bowls of cold martinis and hot KOWPOT (fled lice) to all comers."

Bob Springer, CO of the 54th Signal Bn in Nha Trang, had a get-together with Bob Nulsen (before his departure for DCSPER), Bill Lowrey (from whom he took over the Bn, Bill is now with the War Games Agency, JCS), and Tom Bamford with I Field Forces. Dick Tobin returns from VN in October, reassigned to Buffalo and NG advisor duty. Tiger Howell, who just reported from VN to USMA as one of our more decorated classmates, provided a rundown on some other '49ers in VN. Jim Holt took over command of Tiger's AC Sqdn with Hill Dickinson commanding a battalion in the same regiment, and John McArdle the regimental XO. Avery Fullerton was commanding the Engr Bn, 25th Div, Chuck Olentine (now in Washington with OCE) the 1st Cav Engr Bn, Lou Bowman a battalion with the Big Red ONE, Skeeter Meek an Arty Bn with the 9th Div, Kirby Lamar (now back in the ZI) a Sig Bn, and Bob Rose trying to get out of Saigon to a field command. Word has it that Bernie Greenbaum received his 2d ACM while in Saigon where he is Dpty Dir of Installations, Hq Area Comd.

Gene Marder, Acting Chief of the Management Education and Field Application Division (and he isn't even an engineer) in the Comptroller's Office, reports that Ted Hervey is the local class president. If Ted would take time off from his golf game, we would appreciate a comprehensive rundown on the Washington group; Gene promises to help out in the interim.

Joe Kingston is at Benning where he took over a battalion from Randy Council. Ron Peixotto, with data processing, and Ted Swett, with Bde and Bn Opns Div, are also at Benning. Finally, Gene reports that he saw an ex-classmate, George Millener, and that Charlie Byrne succumbed at last and got married!

We all owe Ed Marks a vote of appreciation. Ed has again donated \$1,000 to the

Superintendent's Fund (understand this is an annual donation on Ed's part) credited to the Class of '49. This gives us a solid base to build on for reunion gift action. This donation and any other major contributions that may be forthcoming will be held in our class account until the Class, via its officers, decides upon a project for the benefit of the Academy.

In a final note of business before turning this over to Bob Kemble for more business, there are two more life-time contributions to class dues—John Wightman and John McDonald.

A standing committee for the 20th Reunion has been formed. Gil Kirby will prepare in detail the various proposals for our class memorial(s) for consideration of the Class at the 20th. (What we approve then will become our main project for the 25th.) Bob Black is looking into the housing and general program for the 20th. (We are, for example, seriously considering reserving an entire motel in Newburgh with private party facilities, etc.) Bill Luebbert is responsible for keeping the finances straight. (This will be a self-sustaining affair and will not draw on the permanent class fund.) Bob Kemble is the general supervisor.

We have asked the Washington group, via Ted Hervey, to form parallel committees and give us their ideas. After some consideration and consultation with older classes, we have decided not to go with a reunion yearbook until the 25th. All seem to agree that both a 20th and 25th book cannot be well supported, and for many reasons the 25th is the better choice. Thus, another function of the 20th Reunion will be to start lining up facilities and resources available in the Class for producing a top-grade class book for the 25th anniversary. After our less-than-inspiring experience on the 10-year book, we certainly want to make certain that this one is a total success.

The class fund is steadily improving in health. There will be a more detailed report on this in a letter following up that of last spring. It will be out some time late this fall. If anyone has ideas on the 20th, please send them along.

'50

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The thought that is foremost in my mind at the moment is that I must tell you of the death of two of our classmates. The news reached me just as I was about to type this up and send it off, and it saddens me to pass it on.

Howard Reinsch died of pneumonia on 2 June 1967 at the hospital at Lackland AFB, Texas. He was with the 308th Strategic Missile Wing at Little Rock AFB, Ark. Barbara and the girls—Janet, Joyce, and Suzanne—are at 154 Alabama Drive, Jacksonville, Ark. 72076.

Gail Wilson died in a helicopter crash in Vietnam on 3 September 1967, and was buried in Houston. Ardath and the children—Goodloe, Kelly, Tracy, Clay, and Borden—are living at 8518 Leader, Houston, Tex. 77036. Gail's mother and dad, Col. and Mrs. O.O. Wilson live at 4013 Piping Rock Lane, also in Houston.

There is no way to adequately express our sense of loss, but I know the Class joins me in sending deep sympathy to Barbara, to Ardath, and to Howard's and Gail's families.

Between Korea and northern Virginia are a lot of miles, but I'm back homesteading in



1950: Abbruzzese abandons ranks of bachelors. Left to right (front row): Heard, Steffensen, Fern Scandling, Maresca. Seated: Paine, Morrison, Jim Thompson, Louise and Pete Abbruzzese, Hayward, Genuario, Duggins. Standing: Mackmull, Aman, Trayers.

Alexandria, and the "short tour" is over. I stopped off in Hawaii on the way home for a briefing (that's my story, and I'm going to stick to it) and saw Chipper Kaseman who is a plans officer with PACAF. Will Warren is there with J3, PACOM, as is Walt Stanton (when he's not out sailing his boat!)

Rene Wolf has the 13th Engr Bn with the 7th Div at Camp Casey in Korea. Robin saw Jack Crittenberger in June when he was home from Thailand on Tdy; he and Pookie have another year to go in Bangkok. Ross Franklin came home from Paris in June to receive his Ph.D. in international relations from American U.; Ross, Lee, and the children will be coming home in 68 when Ross finishes at École de Guerre. Lucile and Kilbert Lockwood finished up 4 years in the DC area and have now joined the 12 other '50ers at West Point.

In Vietnam, Joe Love is with the 2d Bde of the 1st Cav, and Tom Loper has taken over Bill Read's Engr Bn in the 9th Div. Larry Lodewick is assigned to ACTIV; Emmett Lee has the 4th Engr Bn with the 4th Inf Div at Pleiku; Blackie Bolduc is G3 of the 9th Div. Bill Baxley has the 1st Bn, 6th Inf (Carolyn and the children are waiting out the year in Dillon, S.C.), and Paul Roach commands the 1st Bn, 52d Inf, both with the 198th Inf Bde. Joe Griffin wrote a newsy letter enclosing articles about his taking over the 2/7th Cav and John Wickham's being the new CO of the 5/7th Cav, both in the 1st Air Cav Div. Ed Pierce took over 1/7th Cav in August, which puts '50 in command of all three Bns of the 3d Bde (Garry Owen). Joe has a separate battalion task force at Phan Thiet and works directly with I FFV, where Chuck Graham is the G3 Opns officer.

Marilyn and Leo Romaneski took their 10- and 14-year-old boys on a 5-day hiking trip in Lapland, with back packs weighing from 18-25 lbs. Their experiences were: (1) hilarious, like one night when they bedded down in a room in which Marilyn was the only female, with 7 males; you should read the description of undressing between paper sheets (they don't weigh much!), and (2) impressive, when you consider the weight of those packs hour after hour, through rain and hail, wading across icy streams (as their 69-cent raincoats not-so-slowly came apart). It was a once-in-a-lifetime ex-

perience ("Thank goodness," wrote Marilyn).

Herb Underwood saw the Chapmans at CONARC in June and spent a night with the Galiffas in Chicago; Florence and the children are settled in Florida for this year while Herb is in VN. Ken Ebner and Manley Rogers went to the AF Academy in July, where they saw John Pennekamp and Bob McCutchen, who are in the Tac Dept. Stu Wood, Frank Zagorsky, Harvey Prosser, and Monty Coffin are also there.

Jared Schopper is going to school with the AF this year at their Institute of Technology at Wright-Pat AFB. What's your major, Jared? Bob Hetz has left Fort Monroe and is with MAAG, Iran. Terry Parsons has left Yukon Command and is now deputy post commander at Fort Wainwright (Fairbanks, Alaska). He writes: "The summers are right nice if you don't mind mosquitoes, 'no-sees-ums,' and 24 hours of daylight; but the winters, with no sun and -60°F. can be a bit rough. In spite of it, we're all fine and enjoying ourselves." Leo Wegner has a training Bn at Dix.

Gus Dielens is chairman of the Class in the DC area for this next year; there were 157 of us at the last count. Roy Easley came from Korea to join the DA Comptroller's office; Jake Allen is also new there. Vic Cuneo is with the Engr School at Belvoir, and Jim Kelly has come to Force Planning Analysis, DA. Tom Fife is right across the hall from me in OSD Systems Analysis; in his first week he was off on a trip to Hawaii. Back from VN for another tour in the Pentagon is Sib Sibbles. Bill Read is due in to ODCSOPS in November. Lou Dixon is with ACSFOR; Ken Moll is with Hq USAF; Chuck Eshelman is coming from VN to OCE; Paul Triem is coming to OPO. Paul Gorman finished his year with the Big Red ONE and is in the office of the SecDef; he came home well decorated, having received the DSC, OLC to the LM, DFC, a 2d OLC to the BS, 5 AM's, and 2 Vietnamese decorations!

Other newcomers here are: Chuck Butler, Wally Nutting, and Sandy Oliver. Already here, but in new jobs: Pete Todsen left Andrews AFB to go to the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency in DC; Bob Gard left ISA to become Military Asst to the SecDef; Ray Singer is in ACSFOR, after finishing a course at IDA studying systems analysis.

Jack and Helen Koehler called from Carlisle Barracks to tell us of the birth of their little girl, named after Helen, on 8 July 1967; this is their fifth girl—and they have four boys. On 27 July, Matthew Joseph Milia arrived at the Belvoir hospital; this is Carm and Barb's fifth boy, sixth child, and he weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz. Then, on the 30th, Maggie Duggins presented Frank with their first baby, Kathleen Camille, also born at the Fort Belvoir hospital; she weighed 5 lbs. 3½ oz.

No more news, so I'll sign off for now. How about letting me know where you are, and if there are any classmates nearby?

'51

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Rodney Gilbertson earned the LM for two separate assignments during his tour in Vietnam from November 1966 to June 1967. At first he was deputy chief of protocol in Hq, MACV; then later, as deputy brigade commander of the 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div, he took charge of the brigade moving it to combat in the absence of the CO. He also received the AM.

Don Van Matre, currently at the U.S. Army Procurement Center, Frankfurt, expects to return to the Washington area in December.

Walt Johnson departed in September for RVN, and Pud Keesling was close behind him.



1951: Gilbertson receiving the Legion of Merit and the Air Medal in Vietnam.

Dan Foldberg received orders for a quick movement to RVN. The '51 group here at West Point had a champagne brunch/farewell party on 27 Aug and presented Mary with a bouquet of red roses. We were especially happy to have Alice and Bill Stockdale and Jackie Canham join this first get-together since their arrival. Chuck Canham was at Walter Reed receiving treatment for his leg. Chuck reports visiting with Dan Wardrop there. We also had Iris Yerks and Walt Russell as special guests at our brunch. Iris is living in Cornwall while Bob is in RVN commanding a battalion. Walt was in the New York area visiting some medical specialists; he proudly reports that he is an expectant father again.

With the departure of president Foldberg, Roy Herte has become president of the Class of '51 executive committee here at West Point.

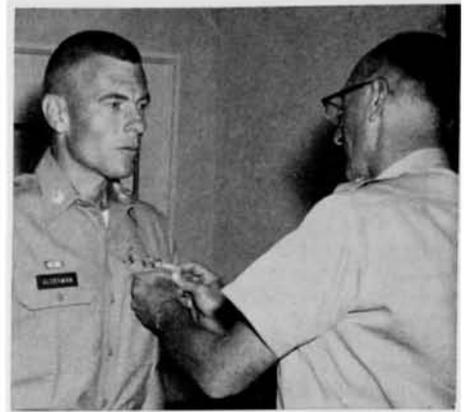
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Charlie Sell, our fearless leader, gathered the local clan together at a cocktail party to welcome in the new academic year. Plans for future social events were announced, and new arrivals were welcomed into the group. Tom Collier has joined Bob Ackerson teaching Military Art, while oldtimers Clyde Earnest and Charlie Sell remain with the engineering side of the MA&E Dept. John Pelton and Carter Lehman are new regimental XO's in the Tactics Dept. Ivan Mechtly is currently battling in the Math Dept, and Gil Scott has joined Al Gorby at nearby Stewart AFB. Warren Eisenhart and Tom Rehm are still with MP&L; John Garver, Swede Erickson, and Ray Wallace remain with ES&GS; Jeff Knight, Joe Santilli, Skip Wensyel, and your Scribe are again trying to fight the language problem. Ronnie Alderman has settled in Cornwall, and Joan Lane is staying across the river at Cold Spring while Craig and Gene pay a visit to Vietnam. Before leaving, Craig received his 2d OLC to the CM for meritorious service as senior Armor instructor and chief of the plans branch in the Office of Military Instruction at the Military Academy. It promises to be a banner year here, highlighted of course by the gala 15th Reunion.

Al Gorby happened to be visiting in Washington at the time of a gigantic class get-together at Bethesda Naval Center. Unfortunately, Al doesn't remember who made the scene. Bill Raiford's annual roster, however, shows the following classmates to be living in the Washington area as of 15 Sept: Vince Bailey, Dan Boone, John Brewer, Carl Broadbent, Hugh Broadhurst, Paul Brown, Dick Bullock, Gil Burns, John Claybrook, Ralph Cline, Tom Cole, Ernie Condina, Tom Courant, Bob Craine, Jim Crow, Joe De Angelis, George Dietz, Harry Dutchyshyn, Mars Earle, Tom Ellis, Gene Flanagan, Jack Gilkey, Al Griffin, Tod Hansard, Bill Harrison, Herb Hollander, Bob Holmes, Pinto Holt, Sam Hubbard, Jim Jagers, Mike Juvenal, Burny Knight, Stan Kuick, Dick Lang, Dick Larkin, Al Lawrence, Bob Leach, Tom Leggett, Jim Lehan, Hank Lowder, Jay Luther, Jim McDonnell, Bob McGarry, Bob McGowan, Pondus McLemore, Dick Miller, Corwin Mitchell, Dick Moore, Bill Moore, Otis Moran, Tom Murphy, Jerry Naber, Steve Nichols, Don Nixon, Joe Paluh, Harvey Perritt, Jack Pilk, Jack Quinn, Bill Raiford, Lou Rajchel, John Ralph, George Relyea, Tex Ritter, Metz Seebach, Bob Shelgren, Scott Shipe, Dexter Smith, Bob Smyth, Ash Speir, Jim Sullivan, Bob Tanguy, Reynold Thomas, Ed Thompson, George Tronsrue, Bob Vining, Chuck Wallis, Dick Wiles, Drake Wilson, Bob Winger, Jack Witherell, Karl Woltersdorf, Chuck Yarbrough. Distaff members remaining in the DC area during Vietnam tours for their husbands include: Sallie Hulley, Betty Keeley, Mary Lou Kimmel, Ann Malone, Pat Pimentel, Dee Rollston, Dolly Selleck, Doris Simmons, and Gerry Stubblebine. Not too far from Washington are: Al Bracy (Petersburg, Va.), Bob Cottey and Wally Hastings (Aberdeen), Bill Geatches, and Jim Rivera (Annapolis), John Kenney (Norfolk), Bob Turner (Odenton, Md.), Al Thieme and Sam Wetzel (Fort Ritchie).

Dave Lyon recently departed Combat De-



1952: Craig Alderman receives Commendation Medal (2d OLC) from Gen. Scott, Commandant of Cadets, USCC, for service at USMA.



1952: John Driskill, now in Vietnam, receives the Legion of Merit for service with Army's CDC.



1952: Art Taylor is congratulated by Gen. Davison following award of Silver Star and Air Medal.



1952: Lew Beasley receives the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry.

velopments Command at Fort Belvoir for a new assignment at Fort Hood. Dave reports having seen and partied with a number of the DC classmates mentioned above in recent months, including a surprise birthday party for Al Griffin and a memorable bash at the Brewers'. The Lyons also received a visit from Gerry Gibbs's wife, Della, who was up from Virginia Beach and reported that Gerry is hale and hearty in Pleiku as sector advisor.

John Driskill, Art Taylor, and Lew Beasley have recently been decorated. John, currently an operations analyst with MACV in Saigon, received the LM for meritorious service as review and analysis officer with the U.S. Army Combat Developments Comd, Combined Arms Agency, and later as chief of the administrative division at the Institute of Combined Arms and Support. Art Taylor received the SS for "pinpointing enemy locations although flying through heavy machine gun fire and adverse weather conditions" near Dak To, Vietnam. Art was also awarded the AM for meritorious achievement in aerial flight in support of ground forces in Vietnam. Lew Beasley received the SS for heroism in combat while on a helicopter mission to destroy a command post of the North Vietnamese Army. Lew also received the Viet-



1952: Lou Tomasetti—promoted at G.E.

namese Cross of Gallantry with Gold Star for outstanding performance of duty in aiding the Vietnamese Army against the communists. Lew is commander of Trp B, 1st Sqdn, in the 25th Inf Div's 9th Cav.

Lou Tomasetti was recently appointed general manager of G.E.'s Armament Dept in Burlington, Vt. In his new position Lou will have responsibility for overall management of design, development, manufacture, and marketing of General Electric's armament systems and related products.

I recently received surprise telephone calls from Bud Rainey and Harry Baird. Bud called to check on the welfare of the first cadet to enter West Point from the thriving metropolis of Guymon, Okla., since Bud made the long trek in 1948, and Harry called to bemoan the hard civilian life after returning from a "short" Caribbean cruise. Both Harry and Bud wish to say hello to all classmates, and they regret their inability to make the reunion scene.

The proud smile being worn by Jeff Knight these days is attributable to his beautiful new daughter. The Knights recently adopted a 2-year-old girl, Jennifer Marie. Tom Collier has been elected to serve on our 3-man executive committee as treasurer. He will accept donations.

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'53

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Here we are with the fall issue and my second year with the column. I would like to thank all who have kept me informed and up to date on the activities of our Class for the past year. If you have not dropped me a note, please do so this year, as it will be your last opportunity before someone else takes over. To you who take me up on the invitation, I will attempt to spell your name correctly and add your material to the column. Keep in mind that this column is being written in early September, and news of a fleeting nature can become dated quite rapidly.

Stan Touchstone dropped in for a visit at the end of July. He was headed for Norfolk and the AFSC. Pat and Stan had left Fort Gordon, Ga. We reminisced about our lacrosse days and watched a war film on TV. We solved many of the world's problems, leaving only a few details to be worked out.

Bob Scofield was in the Portuguese office in our department when I saw him. He was at West Point escorting the First Captains from all the military academies from South and Central America. To be absolutely accurate, he was missing three countries—I leave their identities to you. Bob adds that Duffy Martin is with the 8th S/F at Panama as is Courtland Nordgren. Sam Fisher is with G1 at USARSO. Dick Tchon is with the School of the Americas. As a sidelight Bob said that all the instruction at the school is given in Spanish or Portuguese. His parting comment was that he sees Bill Harris and Lou Boone from time to time, as they work in the southern area.

Art and Laura Arduna returned from C&GS in June and dropped in at West Point for a short visit. His orders were changed from Vietnam, and he is headed for Frankfurt, Hq, V Corps. Laura is going with Art on concurrent travel.

Vald Heiberg, here in the Dept of Social Science, sent me a note to tell me: Bill Bell is on a long Tdy from Fort Knox to the Pentagon. Bart Filaseta was on the Armor and Engr Board at Fort Knox, Ky. Bart expects to go to AFSC at Norfolk in January. Vald heard from the XO of John Seigle's squadron that John was in a helicopter accident. He is reported to have had a couple of broken bones but is expected to return to the 1st Sqdn, 4th Cav, in several weeks.

Jim Miley writes from Vietnam where he is CO, 86th Engr Bn. He attended the memorial service for Rodney Smith at Di An on 5 June. He said that the loss was felt very deeply by the 1st Div and by the Corps of Engineers community in the II Field Force area. Jim has orders forward to report to ODCSOPS. We are looking forward to seeing Ruth and Jim at Homecoming.

Joe Williams sent a very welcome letter from the Far East. It gives a good rundown on our AF group over there. I quote from Joe's letter. "I saw Art Spooner in March at Clark AB, Philippines, where he was undergoing survival training en route to Tan Son Nhut where he is now flying AP-47's (Puff, the Magic Dragon). Frank Marinaro was at the same base although he spent most of his time Tdy to Vietnam. Frank told me that Charlie Bishop was flying F-105's in Thailand. Dyke McCarty is reputed to be an FAC in Vietnam but no confirmation. Charlie and Dyke may have rotated by now, since my info on them is about 3 months old. F-105 pilots are completing their tours in as little

as 6 months." Joe's letter is dated 28 July 67. He also wrote: "Bob Kaplan was here in Bangkok until a few weeks ago—his address is: 1537 Crowell Rd., Vienna, Va. 22180. He will probably have poop on the many folks he has seen, if anyone in the Washington area wants to drop in. Don Ramsay, George Dimtsios, and Kirk Ehlers have been with the 9th Log Comd. Jack Cooper is here in Bangkok with MACTHAI assigned to J3. Joan is now collecting Thai antique bottles instead of the Early American ones at West Point." Joe Williams is the Air Opns Officer with MAAG in Bangkok. Ann and the children are there with him and are enjoying Bangkok. They are due to return in July 68. My folks were asking for you, Joe. They remember your visit when we were cadets. According to Joe, Bob Potter is presently at the Air University as a member of their briefing team. That clears up a lot of information from the Air Force. Thanks for the letter, Joe.

Abbie McLennan dropped me a card. They are now at Fort Leavenworth, Kans.

I saw Don Ramsay at Delafield Pond during the summer. He was enjoying a deserved vacation from Vietnam. Don is with ACSFOR in Washington.

Louise Eineigl sent a note to the house with some late news. Ray and Barbara Colvin visited the Eineigls while Ray was on leave prior to going to Thailand. He and Don Ramsay, who had just returned, were en route to Washington, D.C., and compared notes. Barbara and their three daughters will stay in Starkville, Miss., where Ray had been on ROTC duty at Mississippi State for the past three years. Tom and Faith Holcombe are at Leavenworth after a camping trip to Winnipeg for some fishing (with a 10½-foot camper-truck). Tom is now commanding the 194th Maint Bn at Fort Meade, Md. Bob Blum is back from Vietnam. He and Ann now live in Columbus, Ohio. Ray Eineigl, on a trip to AFA, visited with Marilyn and Ed O'Hair. Ed just got his Ph.D. from Purdue and is now teaching Ordnance at AFA. (He transferred to the Air Force several years ago.) Bob Bartlett, Carol, and their five children were scheduled to come up for Homecoming to stay with Louise and Ray. Bob is now Secretary of Highways in the cabinet of Gov. Ray Shafer of Pennsylvania. Louise called me last night to add the following: Bob Breckenridge is commanding the 7th Bn of the 9th Arty in Vietnam. Nola, Bob's wife, had just written to Louise.

Notice to members of the Class: the baby corner of the column has been officially reactivated by popular demand—all are expected to do their fair share. This is an introduction to my son George Andrew Rears, who was born on 1 Aug at West Point. Sue is fine.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you. If you are in the vicinity, please give me a call at 938-2694 (home), or 938-4143 (work) or drop in to the office, Room 236, Thayer Hall. Best of luck to all.

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The Class is saddened to learn that Blackshear M. Bryan Jr. was killed on 22 Sept southeast of Saigon when a military plane that he was piloting crashed and burned. He is survived by his wife Catherine, his three children, and his mother and father,

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Left to right (front row): Kortum, Charles, Masuck, Gabbert, Ianni, Mayberry, Combs, Salvador, Rhea, Palastra. Center row: Anne Combs, Terry Eitel, Louise Whitley, Archie Stout, Joan Sloan, Jo Kincaid, Louise Breeding, Inga Willner, Ann Ianni, Fay Muth, Lynsey Klein, Caroline Chesbro. Back row: Theresa Kortum, Kincaid, Eitel, Whitley, Mary Ann Carlson, Carlson, Jean Epling, Epling, Andy Underwood, John Underwood, Chesbro, Muth, Klein, Sullivan, Ellen Sullivan.



Left to right (front row): Panzer, Stenehjem, Sugg, Rogers, Stout, Parker, Surber, Breeding, Lochner, Westervelt. Center row: Marie Panzer, Anne Palastra, Jean Stenehjem, Ginny Sugg, Vivian Rogers, Andrea Gabbert, Mimi Rhea, Ann Parker, Georgia Salvador, Sue Mayberry, Val Underwood, Marilyn Westervelt. Back row: Sloan, Faye Surber, Joan Masuck, Remus, Freida Remus, Perrin, Kelly Perrin, Seley Fuller, Fuller, Marianne Woodyard, Mary Ellen Toreson, Toreson, Kathy Charles, Willner, Lorene Lochner, Debelius, Bettie Debelius, Farrar.

Lt. Gen. (Ret) and Mrs. Blackshear M. Bryan. "Babe" was buried at West Point on 29 Sept. Hart, Hauser, Littlefield, Reed, Spence, and Tobin were honorary pallbearers. Logan served as escort for the family. Our deepest sympathy goes to his family for the loss we all feel.

This quarter's edition of the '54 column is not only late, it just might not get into print. In the event that it does, however, I'd better plumb, cautiously, the depths of the dust that rests at the bottom of Box 54. Why—what's that wrinkled bit of paper there? By Tao's big toe, it's a letter! This means that all those rumors of impending marital dissolutions and suspected pregnancies need not be trumpeted abroad. Soothlicel! Here is the real stuff from which columns are made.

Don Kirklighter, his grin only slightly altered by 13 years of patient exercise in his favorite avocation, grunion-watching, has been sighted in Lakewood, Calif., where he is employed as a Professional Service Representative for Smith, Kline, and French Laboratories, prescription drug producers. Don ricocheted through the environs of West Point briefly last year, providing Paul Driscoll with a stimulating, would you believe terrifying(?), dash to Kennedy Airport, during which sortie a new track record was set—category: runts in a roadster. Otherwhere, Juan Favole, having picked up an M.A. in Spanish from the U. of Denver in 1964, has been promoted to assistant professor at Wittenberg U. in Ohio.

To rectify a blunder perpetrated in a

previous edition, let it be writ that Dick Baughman is assigned to the Psychological Operations Dept of the Special Warfare School at Bragg, erroneously transcribed previously as Special Forces. Dick would appreciate a clue concerning, better yet, a letter from, Jim Knox.

Warren Palmer checked in by phone from Picatinny Arsenal in Jersey during the summer. He mentioned dropping by for a game before the season ends. Also from Jersey came a communiqué from Warren Alverson, back with family after their 2-year stint in Saigon, where Warren worked, as he still does, for Esso Standard Eastern. Too, the Alversons now have a son Warren Erik, who arrived on 19 July to keep his sister company. Also from Warren is a report that John Eckhardt, in Laos with AID, will be joined by his family. The rest of Warren's address is: 15 W. 51st St., N.Y.C.

That peripatetic purveyor of ingeniously engineered electro-mechanical devices designed to accomplish what needs to be done, Walt Evans, has contributed another bit of information for this quarter, for which may the Bird of Paradise build its nest in your vine and fig tree, Walt! Emil Levensky, whom I once had the sadistic pleasure of presenting with a breath-taking body slam during the conduct of a "bloody Tuesday" wrestling gala, is now stationed in Taipei with Betty and their four children. Jerry and Gale North are at the U.S. Embassy in Brussels. Jerry is Congolese LnO in the Foreign Service. Sandy Kitchen, wife Betty, and the two children now live in Newport, Tenn., where Sandy is a Southern Bell(e?) group manager. George Olmsted, affiliated with the Pullman Banking Group, now lives in Blue Island, Ill. Happy junketing south of the Rio Grande, Walt. Do you drink the water?!

Ed Pawlowski, reporting the results of a nose count at a recent West Point Society luncheon in DC, noted the following: Ed is a Presidential translator on the Washington-Moscow hot line (Answer the Red Phone, Ed.); Seb Lasher is assigned to the Stanford Research Institute; Andre Broumas and Jim Henry have recently joined the JCS complex. Steve Avery, still shoring up the financial substructure of the Capitol, was in attendance. (About that Vietnamese offshore petroleum development stock, Steve...) Another recent visitor, traveling on the business of Litton Industries in the DC area, was Les Kirshner. While we're in the area, John Bard urges all who can make it to be present at the Castle Room, Fort Belvoir Officers' Club, on 20 Jan. Specific information will be distributed to all known '54 files in the area. Everyone is invited. Contact John at Washington exchanges: OX7-7834 or 780-4257.

During his stay at El Paso for a refresher course prior to journeying to his post as a Duster battalion exec in VN, Bob Badger encountered Dave Scott, who was jockeying a cross-country jet in the conduct of NASA errands. Also in El Paso are Prop Walker, who will be a Bn XO, and Bob McPherson, who will be S3 of another Duster battalion in Vietnam. Frank Ianni, keeper of the archives at Leavenworth, has come through in championship form with a beautiful, paired-picture parlay that reveals, in all their aging majesty, the present '54 group at C&GSC. Permanent party at the school are: Joe Palastra, Frank, Jack Lochner, just back from Vietnam Jim Whitley (seconds already?), and Westy Westervelt. Absent from the photo, taken in August, but present at Leavenworth are: Bob and Jean Anthis,



1954: Don Panzer receives the Bronze Star from Col. Arch Hamblen at ceremony near Danang, Vietnam, in June.

LeRoy and Flora Chacon, Bob Cicchinelli, Hal and Barbara Stout, Newell and Pat Vinson (whose fourth child, a boy, was born in August).

Jim Moore, commander of the 1st Bn, 35th Inf, of the 25th Inf Div, was checking conditions in the vicinity of his unit by helicopter on 7 March 67 when a brisk fire fight erupted in the immediate area. Having landed to evacuate wounded, the command chopper came under heavy enemy fire. Acting with appropriate dispatch, Jim moved through intense small arms fire to a position from which he could exert a more direct influence on the battle. For his courageous action he was awarded the SS and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. Also in Vietnam, Don Panzer was awarded the BS for "outstanding meritorious service in combat operations" during his service as I Corps psychological warfare advisor.

Marty Lachance wrote in from his location with Task Force Oregon: "After sojourning *sans souci* in Phu Loi and Dau Tieng, garden spots of the III Corps area, I was assigned to Oregon where I am Asst FSE. Bob Reed, XO of 3/4 Cav in the 1st Div, and John Pappageorge, at Cu Chi with the 25th Div, are in the vicinity." Jim Chapman, an Arty Bn XO, Jack Delamain, XO of 2/11 Cav, Cliff Berry, XO in the 196th Inf, and Leo Hobbs, with the 1st Cav in the same area, were among '54 luminaries reported by Marty. It was especially gratifying to learn that Fred Qualls finally has an opportunity to employ his unchallenged mastery of the Russian language—as assistant to the CofS of Task Force Oregon—during staff briefings.

Jack Logan has asked me to pass along some news concerning the present status of the class fund. Since 1958 the greater part



1954: Jim Moore receives the Silver Star and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry at a July ceremony in Vietnam.

of our money has been invested in various common stocks. Our current holdings (names of stocks on request) have appreciated \$4,689, for an increase of 118% from the total purchase price of \$3,981 to their current value of \$8,670—this over a period of nine years. We have an additional \$650 in a savings account at the Marine Midland Bank in Highland Falls. Several members of the Class have questioned the wisdom of continuing this form of investment, primarily due to the lack of financial expertise among those charged with protecting the investment. A sample poll, conducted among the 21 members of the Class now stationed at West Point, reflected a strong grass-roots partiality for transfer of the money to a mutual fund. Accordingly, Jack will appoint a class committee to study the mutual funds available and to recommend to the class executive group a fund with characteristics compatible with our objectives. As soon as New York legalizes off-track betting, our solution will become obvious.

Anyone with pertinent suggestions is invited to correspond—freely.

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Since the last column, two more classmates have joined the USMA staff and faculty. Bob Deardorff, last assigned to the Pentagon, is now the XO and business manager of the ARMY Athletic Association (don't swamp Bob with special requests for football tickets!). John Feagin, who earned his M.D. at Duke University, has arrived to join the medical staff at the West Point hospital after duty at such large hospitals as Tripler in Hawaii and Walter Reed in Washington, D.C. As an orthopedics specialist, John will have ample opportunities to serve the needs of the cadets (especially the football team).

Jerry Chikalla, who has taken over the position of Senior Infantry Instructor in the Office of Military Instruction from Lt. Col. Dan Foldberg, saw a number of our classmates during his last assignment as S3, 3d Bde, 1st Inf Div, in Vietnam. Bill Maus took over the 3d Bde S3 slot from Chick; Ed Trobaugh is the S3 of the 1st Bn, 16th Inf; Bill Wilcox is in the G3 Section of Div Hq; Pete Booras is S5 (civil affairs) on the 3d Bde staff. Help out your old column, Pete, and drop us a line with any further news from the 1st Div or from other units in Vietnam.

Tom Herren reports that he is on his way to Vietnam as XO, 1st Bn, 50th Inf (Mech), a unit which was sent to Vietnam from Fort Hood. Tom's wife, Patience, and his two children will live in Annapolis, Md., for the duration. This location is equidistant from both sets of grandparents. While stationed on ROTC duty at the U. of Rhode Island, Tom attended a party at the home of Will and Sue Holbrook in Washington, D.C. Another couple at this party (last August) was Roy and Sandy Lynn (Air Force). Roy is currently stationed in the Pentagon. Tom also saw Jack Jeter at Fort Bragg last June. Jack is now in C&GS at Leavenworth.

On one of his Admissions Office business trips for USMA, Dave Young learned that Bulldog Drummond is also currently attending the C&GS course. One of Bulldog's instructors is Wayne Smith. Both Dave and Al Buie (AF Liaison at USMA) were at USAFA this summer. While there, they saw Chuck Roades, Jerry Hawkins, and Pop Warner, all

1955: Some of the girls who gathered at the Mays' quarters for the September party.



Phyllis Domeck, Ruth Horst, Mary Ann Miller, Barbara Hufnagel.



Nancy Strickland,* Sue Graham, Soozie Jellison (Todd's sister), Connie Flanklin.



Corry May, Donna Ludwig, Carol Childs.



Bonnie DeMaris, Jackie Streett, Kathleen Olvey.

on the staff and faculty. Dave had dinner with Dick Auer in Denver where Dick seems to be doing quite well in civilian life. Dave also reports that Dick Bean is in the G1 Sec of the 1st Cav Div, and that Rex Perkins is now back in CONUS after a tour as a battalion S3 in Vietnam. Phil Bouchard (AF) has also completed a tour in Vietnam.

Bob and Kim Soper and Bob's parents stopped by West Point for a visit with Bill and Laura Haas last July. Bob has completed postgraduate work at Monterey and is now in Vietnam. Bill Haas also reports that Ted Jasper, who entered with us but graduated with '56 (courtesy of the English Dept), is now in Korea. Ted's wife, Pat, is living in Highland Falls until Ted returns.

As many of you already know, Jerry Craner was wounded last summer with only seven days in combat as a battalion S3 in

the 1st Cav Div. Only two of the five passengers survived when the helicopter in which Jerry was riding was shot down. Apparently, Jerry was going with some company commanders on a reconnaissance. Jerry's right cheekbone was shattered, two vertebrae in his back were broken, and his right hand was seriously lacerated. He was evacuated to a hospital in Yokohama, Japan, where doctors completely reconstructed his cheekbone with plastic. Jerry is now in Walter Reed in Washington, D.C. Peggy Van Valkenburg, wife of a member of the Class of '54 who was with Jerry's unit in Vietnam, visited Jerry in Walter Reed. I talked with Peggy, who is staying in Highland Falls until her husband returns, and she assured me that Jerry is on the mend and should be on convalescent leave with his family by the time you read this column. He is taking therapy to regain mobility in his right hand. Peggy assures me that there is only one scar on his face, and even that scar blends in with his laugh wrinkles! I didn't have the nerve to ask if it hurt when he laughs. Jerry's wife, Dorothy, visits him regularly which does a great deal to lift his morale. Peggy also reported that Dave Gilpatrick is in the same ward with Jerry, recovering from a bullet wound in his thigh. Since he was asleep when Peggy was there,



1955: Myron Minich receives the Bronze Star for duty as operations advisor to ARVN IV Corps.

she didn't get a chance to talk with him. She did hear, however, that Dave had been in the hospital for almost six months. We pray for a speedier and complete recovery for both Jerry and Dave.

John Rudzki, who transferred to the Air Force in 1965, reports that he, Nancy, and the three children have left Rome, N.Y., for Boston where John will be working on a Ph.D. in electrical engineering at M.I.T. John reports that John Gamble left the Air Force and is now working as a civilian at Rome Air Development Center, N.Y. Lee Floyd visited John in July. Lee is at Kelly AFB with the USAF Security Services.

Jim Eddins writes from Vietnam (he will be back in CONUS by the time this column goes to press): "On 15 April, Bev presented me with triplets: two identical girls and our first son. All are thriving nicely, and this quantum jump gives us five children, definitely placing us in the station wagon set. As you can see, I'm adhering to the Armor concept of firepower and shock, but mobility is on the wane."

Jim was senior advisor to the 5th ARVN Cav Sqdn for the first half of his tour. He spent the second half as academic advisor to the Vietnamese National Military Academy's Dept of Social Science. Since the VNMA's curriculum has been expanded to four years, former USMA instructors are



1955: Herb Lichtenberg passes the '55 football sausages to Doc Feagin at the Virginia game. Trudie Lichtenberg is at lower left; Martha Feagin is on Doc's left.

being called in as advisors to the departments paralleling their own areas of instructional experience. Jim reports that Bob Chapman helped out with the Dept of Techniques (?) before rotating back to CONUS. Bob was in ES&GS while an instructor at USMA; Jim was with the Dept of Mechanics at USMA. Jim's family (count 'em!) lived in Sarasota, Fla., during his absence.

With this column is a photo of Col. Charles Davis, Senior Advisor, ARVN IV Corps, presenting Myron Minich with the BS for meritorious service as an operations advisor to the ARVN IV Corps. Myron received this award on 7 May and has since departed Vietnam. Also in this column is a photo of Bob Joseph receiving his second award of the ACM. Stump received this award on 15 May (while attending the C&GS course) for meritorious service while assigned to the Joint U.S. Military Advisory Gp, Thailand, from August 1965 to July 1966.

Another of our classmates has been selected to become an astronaut! The following press release of Aug 67 on Don Peterson reads in part: "Major Donald H. Peterson has been graduated from the exclusive USAF Aerospace Research Pilot School at Edwards AFB. He has been selected for astronaut training and assignment with the Manned Orbiting Laboratory Program at the USAF Systems Command Space Systems Division at Los Angeles. The major was one of 13 students in the current graduating class at Edwards who was especially selected from military and civilian fliers for the stiff experimental test and space research pilot training. His class received 720 hours of academic instruction and 200 hours of flying training in the latest method of testing and evaluating aircraft and related aeronautical equipment during the first six months. The final six month's curriculum covers advanced instruction to prepare graduates for duty as pilots and project officers in space research."

Don has flown nearly every type of air-



1955: Charlie and Brownie Johnson at the class party following the Virginia game.

craft in the AF inventory! He earned his M.S. degree in nuclear engineering in 1962 at AFTI, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Best of everything, Don!

While the bulk of our Class still seems to be centered on the S&F at West Point, a few photos of local events at the Academy seem to be appropriate. Before long, the center of gravity of our Class is fated to shift to the Washington, D.C., area where our members are already building up. But we still hold monthly lunches at USMA. At the one in September, Jack Hecker, the offensive line coach and an associate member of our class group here at West Point, gave a talk on this year's football prospects. On the same day, approximately 40 wives of classmates and associate classmates gathered in my quarters for an organization get-together. I thought you might enjoy seeing some of the distaff side for a change. If this is a success, I will consider running a centerfold each quarter, featuring the classmate bunny of the quarter! Finally, there is a snap of Kelly (Herb) Lichtenberg looking prosperous in his civilian status and handing around his ubiquitous garlic sausages to the '55 cheering block in Michie Stadium. Kelly throws them as far as 10 rows away to be caught by outstretched and appreciative hands. In this



1955: Bob Joseph receives the Army Commendation Medal (OLC) for duty with the Joint Advisory Group, Thailand.

photo, Doc John Feagin is being initiated into this mystical social togetherness for the first time. Our grand support enabled ARMY to win its first game of the 1967 season with flying colors. Another snap shows the Johnsons at the after-game '55 cocktail-buffet at the Golf Clubhouse at West Point.

Without becoming a tabloid, this column seems to benefit from pictures that offset my rhetoric. If you have pictures, they are as valuable as news. Either offering is appreciated, so write to me via the address at the top.

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It is my sad duty to report three tragic losses to the Class. I received a notice through the AOG that Walter D. (Doug) Williams died in Vietnam on 10 July 1967. He was buried near his home in Hampstead, Md. His passing comes as a most personal loss to me because of our close comradeship while we were cadets, but I am certain this same feeling is shared by all who read this and were privileged to know him. Doug's widow Juliana, and their daughter, Margaret, were living in Pepperell, Mass., where they

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could be reached c/o P. King, Heald St.

I have also been notified that James W. (Jim) Stanley was the victim of an automobile accident near Peekskill, N.Y., on 23 June 1967. According to his sister-in-law, Otila, who is the wife of Jim's brother, Robert F. Stanley '55, Jim was a contracting engineer on a building project near Peekskill at the time of the accident. Jim was buried at West Point on 27 June 1967, and Charlie Saint handled all details on behalf of Jim's wife Carmen and their three fine sons, ages 10, 8, and 6. Pallbearers were: Charlie Saint, Roger Blunt, George Stapleton, John Haley, Randy Parker, and David Hufnagel '55. Carmen and their boys will reside in or near Briarcliff Manor, N.Y. I am certain that any of you now residing at West Point or in that general vicinity will do whatever is needed to help Jim's family through this difficult transition.

Woody Martin was also killed in Vietnam —on 23 June. He, too, was buried at West Point with classmates and many friends attending the funeral services. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Martin, live at 8333 East Holly, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Jerri Sutherland wrote of her plans for the future and to express thanks for the many, many letters and cards of sympathy from classmates, friends, and relatives. She mentioned that numerous Masses were offered, and generous donations have been made to the National Kidney Foundation in Scott's memory. Of all the remembrances and awards made in his memory, I believe the silver-and-wood plaque presented by Cub Scout Pack 288, Almo Council, probably best typifies Scott's courage and spirit in carrying out to his last days on earth the finest ideals of West Point. During his fatal illness Scott devoted much of his time and waning strength as cub-master for this pack of 102 boys. He also worked as Asst Training Chairman and as a merit badge counselor. Jerri reports that there were many times when both she and their son Jim knew that Scott could hardly stand on his feet or bear to carry out the duties he had unselfishly volunteered to undertake, but he never let others become aware of this. If it be true that all boys and young men need an example to follow before they can achieve true maturity and manhood, then I am certain all 102 boys of Cub Pack 288 received the best possible start in life because of Scott's devotion to them. Jerri mentioned she will settle down near Scott AFB, Ill., and will forward her permanent address as soon as possible.

Jerri Sutherland was honored to be present when Bill Robertson's many awards were posthumously presented to his wife Anne by Brig. Gen. Wood at Lackland AFB. Bill was killed in Vietnam on 9 Jan 1967, and the awards Anne received in his behalf are: the DFC and 1st OLC, the CM, the AM (1st through 5th OLC), and the Purple Heart.

Steve Beebe called me from Colorado to announce that he has decided to hold his 7th (although not exactly annual) Christmas Holiday party on 29 Dec at his home near Sandy Spring, Md. He claims these parties are the "social event of the year" in the Washington, D.C., area, and, of course, all members of the Class, their families, and friends are invited to savor it. The dress will be, in his words, "very casual," and, knowing the capacity of his classmates, it will be BYOL. His instructions for finding the place are as follows: from Washington, D.C., travel about 11 miles northward on Georgia Ave. Between Olney and Sandy Spring, Md., Steve will hang out the traditional red lantern on the roadway to mark the entrance



1956: Pete Lash receives the Army Commendation Medal (1st OLC) from Gen. Scott, Commandant of Cadets, USCC, for service as a Tac at USMA. Pete left for duty in Vietnam.

to his house. If the lantern doesn't catch your attention, I imagine the commotion in that vicinity should. The party starts at 2000, and Steve tells me that the last few broke up about noon the following day (he thinks). By the way, Steve and his wife Heide are currently living near Pueblo, Colo., where Steve is Director for Maintenance at the Pueblo Army Depot. You may recall that in June 1965 he married the former Miss Heide Lemmel in Heidelberg, Germany (she was from Frankfurt), and they now boast of a daughter "Tiki" born on 7 April 1966, and more recently, a son Steven Alfred born on 20 May 1967. Sounds as though you have a great deal to celebrate this year, Steve. Hope this notice reaches all in time to assure an overflow crowd for your party.

Speaking of parties, we were happy to learn of a late summer welcome home party for Bob Lindsey given by his parents Col. and Mrs. J.B. Lindsey. The occasion was Bob's return from Vietnam, and this was also his first opportunity to see their daughter Robin Tucker, born in the fall of 1966.

Bob and Sue Flory proudly announce the birth of their fourth child, a boy. Richard Scott was born on 26 June 1967 at Fort Leavenworth. Bob will start the C&GSC course in the fall of 1967. He received an M.S. degree in nuclear physics from Tulane prior to moving on to Fort Leavenworth. Bob Sullivan is due to receive his Ph.D. in nuclear physics from Tulane and will join the Florys for the beginning of the C&GSC course this year.

Sara Lindquist wrote of her meeting Roy in Hawaii for a marvelous six days on his R&R from Vietnam duty. Roy is now an advisor in Gia Nghia, and his mailing address is: Advisor Team 32, MACV, APO San



1956: Dick Adams receives the Army Commendation Medal from Gen. Scott, Commandant of Cadets, USCC, for service as a Tac at USMA.

Francisco 96314. The Lindquists have three daughters (Teri 8, Karen 6, and Mary Leigh 2), and you can bet the whole family can hardly wait until this December when Roy is due to return.

Chuck and Cole Young are now deep in the heart of Texas where Chuck is an oral surgery intern at Parkland Hospital in Dallas, Tex. They plan to be there three years. Cole, a horse enthusiast, is learning to ride using a western saddle, and their girls (Laura 8, and Lissa 5) seem to like both the riding and the swimming opportunities that Texas offers. The Youngs report that Butch Harbold is a first-year resident in internal medicine at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Being in the middle of the U.S., the Youngs have extended an open invitation and an offer of a helping hand to those "on the move" in their vicinity. I'm certain you will be guaranteed a big, friendly "Howdy" if you stop by their hitchin' post at: 2520 McClure Street in Irving, Tex. Elsewhere in Texas, I understand Jim and Joan Lane are now residing at: 1011 Mariana in Texarkana. Sorry, no other details are available.

Received word through the AOG that both Joe Waters and George Lynch are recent graduates of the exclusive USAF Aerospace Research Pilot School at Edwards AFB, Calif. Joe is being reassigned to Holloman AFB, N.Mex., home of the AF Msl Development Center. George will remain at Edwards for duty in flight test operations. I also have learned that Mike McGrath was named Asst to the vehicle sales and service manager at General Motors Mordiska A. B. in Stockholm, Sweden. Mike currently holds a bachelor of laws degree from Fordham and a master of laws degree from N.Y.U. He has been with General Motors since August 1962.

Ray and Carolyn Cannon are stationed in Selma, Ala., where Ray is a flight instructor. They apparently had some difficulty finding a place to live near Ray's work but are now safely in quarters on the base. Their girls, Janice and Donna, are having a ball and learning to swim like fish. Janice started school this fall. Ray soloed his first student early in August and, in typical fashion, is taking his new responsibilities in stride.

Apparently, our classmates are doing themselves proud at West Point. Dick Adams and Pete Lash were recently awarded the ACM for their meritorious service in the Dept of Tactics. Both awards were pinned on by Brig. Gen. Richard P. Scott, Commandant of Cadets, at USMA.

The Wilkers recently enjoyed a very pleasant surprise when Paul and Mary Kay Jakus called and visited with us during a recent trip to LA. The Jakus family now consists of five children (Carolyn 10, Mark 9, Mathew 7, Drew 6, and Craig 5). They live at: 3716 Beachwood Drive, Endwell, N.Y., where Paul is a customer executive instructor with IBM. As if a family of five children and his position with IBM were not enough, he also flies as a hobby and serves as president of P.B. Properties, Inc., a firm which invests in income property in the east. Betty and I enjoyed immensely our all-too-brief evening with them and hope very much that it will be possible for them to return again soon. Paul has lost track of most of our classmates but did report that Mario Nicolais is flying with T.W.A. and Dave Johnston is, to the best of his knowledge, still a helicopter procurement officer stationed in St. Louis.

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Our Valhalla detachment begins another year determined to reverse the decline of the Corps. It's an uphill fight, and we're

down to 31 men. Here are the assignments, with the reinforcements indicated with asterisks. 1st Infantry: John Keutmann; Tactics: *Roger Blunt, Charlie Glenn, *Pat Haley, Charlie Saint, George Stapleton; OPE: Jim Anderson, Jerry Burcham, Chuck Garvey; OMI: Art Harris, *John Oakes; Computer Center: Randy Parker; English: Barry Bynell, Tom McAniff; Mathematics: Mike Conrad, Phil Eliot, Bill Johansen, *Gene Lynch, Jim Skidmore, Ed Valence; Ordnance: *Bill Crews; ES&GS: Gerry Demers, Marsh Schoonmaker, Lowell Smith; MA&E: Ted Ogren, Dave Palmer, *Dick Tripp, Jack Woodmansee; Mechanics: Norm Schwarzkopf; Post Engineer: Dick Pierce; USAH: *George Ward.

We continue to hold our monthly lunches. Our first guest was Coach Cahill who briefed us on the season's prospects. The coach wouldn't commit himself in specific terms, but he did assure us that the ARMY team would show up for all scheduled games. In addition, he offered thanks that we weren't playing Notre Dame this year.

Jack Munsey writes from C&GSC that although he still cannot see his way clear to buying the class yearbook because of its excessive cost, he would like to look at a copy. If you have finished with yours, please send it to Jack. He also wants to catch up on the back issues of ASSEMBLY for June 1956 through August 1967. (He expects to join the Association of Graduates later this year when the pay raise goes into effect.) Jack's address is 510 Santa Fe Street, Leavenworth, Kansas 66048.

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Just when I thought that perhaps the last column wasn't too far wrong, I ran into two people whom I had reported as being en route to the Far East still here for another year. Since they refused to do the heroic thing in order to validate the class column, I'll have to admit the error which I will do as soon as I recall their names.

Plans and preparations continue for Homecoming, and all of us here are looking forward to it hoping that every one of you who can do so will come. Chuck and Lori Radler have been added to the group here; Chuck took a sabbatical from his instructional duties to serve a tour in Vietnam. Also on the local scene, Don and Kay Wells had hardly arrived when their new daughter, Laura, was born; Don was spread pretty thin between Tac-ing at Buckner and taking care of the three boys. Jim and Diane Edgar had a son James Alexander born on the 6th of September. Word of another arrival, to the Joe Cyglers, came through the Bullottas. Jim Henthorne's wife writes from California (296 Lovell Ave., Mill Valley, ZIP 94941) that their second son, Trevor Foster, was born on 4 May.

The news of Jim Mooring's death in a plane crash at Reese AFB, Tex., has shocked and saddened all of us. He was flying alone in a T-38 on the evening of 6 Sept when it happened; the cause of the accident is not yet known. The funeral was held at Reese AFB, with burial and a brief graveside ceremony here at West Point on 12 Sept. Jim is survived by his wife Eny and four children who will probably move to the New York City area.

Stateside moves and news include word from Barbara Newman that Tom and Kay



1957: The group at Leavenworth on 4 June. Left to right (front row): Mort Roth, Len Hanawald, Jack Apperson, Ole Olson, Jim Dunn, Don Whalen. Second row: Chickie Fadel, Nora Whalen, Linda Martinez, Bobbie Roth, Kae Wells, Betty Olson, Peggy Hanawald, Carolyn Ogden, Carol Varner, Sandy Apperson, Jane Dunn. Third row: Pat Robinson, Marcia Johnstone, Jean Ensign, Al Ensign. Rear row: Homer Johnstone, Howie Martinez, Dick Fadel, Don Wells, Nick Robinson, Vel Varner, Leigh Ogden.

Kehoe are in Tuscaloosa, Ala., where Tom is doing graduate work. Also in grad school is Ed Szvetez at Tulane; Blinky Schorr left Tulane recently for Leavenworth. Bill Campion is in the Comptrollership school at Syracuse.

Leigh Ogden, now with First Army at Fort Meade, sent the snapshot of the '57 Leavenworth group that gathered on 4 June at the club there. For those of you who are about to decide that this photo answers all the outstanding questions on your Christmas card list, the photo is not entirely reliable since it includes some who were just leaving and others who had just arrived.

The news from Vietnam comes primarily from a long, newsy letter which Esther (Mrs. J.D.) Smith sent from Jesup, Ga. (225 Drennon Drive, ZIP 31545), where she's waiting out Smitty's tour. She writes that J.D. saw Dick Pfeiffer and Frank Mastro at Travis AFB; they were also en route to MACV. J.D. is XO of the 1/8 Cav of the 1st Cav Div and has seen Dick "Ole" Olson who is S3 of 2/8 Cav and Don Bowman who is XO of 2/12 Cav. Esther also included some miscel-

laneous poop. Sid and Jerri Britt are at Leavenworth now and will come to West Point from there. Bob and Heidi Faulkender are in Falls Church, Va.; Bob got an M.A. in operations research at Georgia Tech before going to work in OSD. Kerry and Betsy Gates are in Heidelberg where he is with the Engr Sec of USAREUR.

Otherwise, news from Vietnam includes a couple of news releases on decorations—Windy Gale's Bronze Star for advisory work in I Corps, and Guy Wallace's 9th AM for work with Hq, Flight Det, USARV, at Tan Son Nhut. Other general poop includes word from Hal Jordan that Dick Manahan is at Patrick AFB, Fla., and that John Ellington has just left Patrick for parts unknown. Jack Meehan took notes on one of his boondoggle junkets for the "Juice" Dept and mentioned that George McGovern is SGS at Fort Gordon along with Wes Kidd and Wayne Nicoll (Protocol Officer).

That's it for now. Although there's comparatively little poop, I thank those who have taken time to send it. See you at Homecoming.



1957: Windy Gale receives the Bronze Star from Col. A.L. Hamblen at ceremony near Danang, Vietnam.



1957: Guy Wallace receives the Air Medal (his ninth) from Lt. Col. R.L. Johnson at ceremony near Tan Son Nhut, Vietnam.

For those of you who haven't seen the last issues of the ASSEMBLY, don't be shocked by the name at the head of this column. Frank Waskowicz left for C&GSC recently and was not fired. The members of the Class here felt it would be better and more convenient if the Scribe were located wherever a representative sample of the Class happens to be. I wish to express the sincere and heartfelt thanks of the entire Class to Frank (and Linda) for the tireless energy, long hours, and imaginative writing he has done for the past nine years. Needless to say, it was a superb job. Their present address is: 6311 Sherwood Lane, Mission, Kans. 66203. I will fill in for Frank until my departure in 69.

Don Palladino asks all of you who have not done so to return the class questionnaire sent out last spring. Please send pictures if they are available. If you didn't get a questionnaire (the AOG mailing list was used), write to Don, c/o Dept of MA&E, USMA.

Just so everyone is up on who came back to West Point this summer, here is a recap: Tac Dept—Paul Bons, Fred Goodenough, Cocky Henninger, George Lawton, Tony Nadal, Fred Stritzinger. Mechanics—Toby Kevin and Bill Parks. Foreign Lang—John Sampson. English—Don Williams.

Despite the 17 classmates who left this summer, we have 55 stationed in the immediate area. The departees included: Jack Burke (VN), Bob Clark (VN), Terry Connell (VN), Pat Donovan (C&GSC), Bill Giallourakis (VN), Bob Grete (Hurlburt AFB then VN), Jim Hall (VN), Ron Hudson (VN), Mike Jones (Mountain Home AFB then Thailand), Doug MacLeod (VN), Mike Mahler (VN), Don Martin (VN), Dick Oberg (VN), George Robertson (VN), Al Salisbury (Fort Monmouth), Cliff Victorine (VN), and Frank Waskowicz (C&GSC).

Armor

Church Hutton came to the class picnic at USMA in August. He's still a bachelor—at the U. of Pa. getting a Master's in English and expects to come to USMA in Aug 68. Max and Minnie Pearsall are in Lexington, Ky., where Max is an ROTC instructor at U. of Ky. They had their first child recently, a girl.

Artillery

The Class extends deepest sympathies to Middie and Tommy Thompson on the loss of their daughter Beth who died as a result of her nightgown catching fire. Tommy was en route from VN when the accident occurred. I understand from Randy Rodenberg that the Thompsons and their son Michael are now stationed at Colorado Springs.

Charlie Glover has an inter-theatre transfer to Germany where he left his wife while in VN. He was awarded the BS, ACM, and 5 AM's while Ln O with the 3d Bde, 1st Cav. Jack Madigan passed through USMA to attend the class picnic and is now at the U. of Va. in a Master's program in English. He's due at USMA in the summer of 69. Jack had been with the G3 section of the 1st Cav. John and Barbara Raymond went to Colorado State U. last August where John had a field course in geography. They are presently at Syracuse U. and expect to come to USMA next summer. Floyd Spencer is Dpty Sector Advisor with the 43d Advisory Team in Bao Tri. Linda and the children are living with his family in Holliday, Tex.



1958: Dick Oberg receives a Certificate of Achievement from Col. Billingsley, Head of the Ord Dept at USMA.

Before going to VN, Floyd received the ACM for his work in the Dept of Instruction at Fort Sill.

Engineers

Sam Collins also made it to the class picnic at Round Pond. He recently returned from the Berlin Bde where he was Dpty G3. Now en route to VN, he hopes to be with the 1st Engr Bn, 1st Inf Div. Joan is staying in Moorestown, N.J.

Infantry

George Lawton has provided me with a wealth of information about Infantry classmates. He just returned from VN and married Elaine Darragh in Honolulu. He is Tac of Co. B-2 at USMA. Ben Crosby is S3 of a Bn in the 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div. Chuck Densford is still flying out of Nha Trang from I FF Hq. John Herren has an ROTC assignment at Georgetown U., where he's also working on a Master's in international relations. Another classmate in the 25th Inf Div is John Hill who is the 3d Bde Engr officer. Many of us saw Fred Mayer in the nationally televised documentary, "Anderson Platoon," in July. Fred was the CO of the company from the 1st Cav. He is now at Arizona U. in a Master's program. Butch Ordway extended in VN to become S3 of the 1/12 Cav. He was scheduled to attend AFSC in Norfolk starting in August, so it looks like



1958: Hal Lyon has been appointed Assistant Deputy Commissioner of Education by U.S. Education Commissioner Harold Howe II. His duties will include developing, formulating, and revising policies and programs of the U.S. Office of Education. The Lyons now live in Washington, D.C.

it will be next year before he gets there. Before getting the S3 job, Butch had been in Div G3 and Bde S2.

Will Roosma stopped by at the class picnic (Gary was also there). He recently returned from VN and is now PMS at Culver Military Academy. I ran into John Schaefer at the PX the other day. He just finished a year at Indiana U. where he earned his Master's in government. John is in the FAST program and is headed for a Taiwan tour. Chuck and Patty Toftoy are at Tulane where Chuck is studying operations research. Their Eric was born on 15 April. They've invited classmates in the area to drop by (address: 7917 Oak St., New Orleans La. 70118). Bob Clark is in VN, and Sylvia and the children are settled in their new home in Louisville, Miss.

Signal Corps

Glenn Brown has finished his tour with the 1st Cav, and he and Kit are now at Fort Rucker. According to George Lawton, Jack Peters is flying with an aviation battalion in the 1st Cav.

USAF

Joan Normington has settled near her folks in Natick, Mass. The children are a big help to her. Her address is: 4 Kelsey Rd., Natick, Mass. 01760. John Abernathy is studying aerospace mechanical engineering at AFIT and expects to finish in June 68. Over in SEA, Jud Ellis is currently advising the Vietnamese air force engineers at Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Saigon. He was promoted to major on 26 Dec 66. John McKillop is flying out of Thailand with the 355th Tac Ftr Wg near Takhli. Susie is staying in Lubbock, Tex., until his return. A recent returnee from the war, with many decorations, was Burt Miller. He's assigned to Williams AFB near Phoenix. Bob McCann is also at Williams AFB working as a T-37 instructor. Last, but not least, Paul Ruud went to Oxford University in England last summer to present a paper at a math conference. He and Mary stopped by USMA in September on their way back to Texas A&M where Paul is working toward a Ph.D. He expects to go to AFA.

Civilian

Our best wishes go to Dick and Renate Simmers who had a baby girl in April. Dick is with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. Dave Turner is now a first officer with T.W.A. Airlines. He recently married a T.W.A. hostess, and both fly 707's to Europe (not always on the same flight, unfortunately). Phil Ackerman visited the Willises here at USMA in August. He is still with Tele-Signal Corp, an electronics firm, working as a project engineer. Back to the insurance business: our heartiest congratulations go to John Brinson and Joe Katz for again making the exclusive Million Dollar Round Table (only about 1% of all life insurance salesmen make it in any given year). John is with Conn. Mutual Life Insurance Co., and Joe is with the David Marks Insurance Agency. I have an unconfirmed report that Lee Gaughan has joined Ed Ofgant in the Boston office of the John Hancock Insurance Co. Jim McCauley has completed a 1-year internship at Walter Reed General Hospital. He and Carol are living in Silver Spring, Md.

In closing, I should apologize for the short article, but keep in mind that YOU are the people with the news. Drop me a card tomorrow with poop about you and the family or classmates. I hope there weren't too many mistakes in this article. Frank Waskowicz has promised me a special on the goings-

on at Fort Leavenworth for the next issue. (You did, didn't you, Frank?)

The annual election of local class officers for the standing committee at USMA resulted in Reynard, Hruby, and Ramsden handing over the reins to:

Herb Puscheck Chairman
 Carl Sullinger Vice-chairman
 Stew Willis Secy-Treas

Everyone keep in mind the 10th Reunion on Homecoming Weekend next year. Naturally, we hope to see many of you during June Week, too.

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"Down and out" is Bill Schwartz's catchy solution to the dilemma; and if you can remember whether it applies to the leaf or to the stem, you are ready to take your place with a modicum of equanimity among the grades of the field. Congrats.

Bill and Dana live downstairs from us now, Bill having completed a year in international relations at American U. for his current assignment with the Soc Sci Dept. Between sips, he has passed along the following information:

Johnny Eberhard and Randy Bell are residents at Walter Reed, Randy in ophthalmology. Mike Gillette has joined Stan Kanarowski in systems analysis at DoD; Hank Larsen is a protocol officer for the JCS; and Marv Moss gives intelligence briefings at the Pentagon. Tom Moorhead is in Columbus, Ohio, in charge of the patent law section for ABEX. Otie Tibbetts is interning in Burlington, Vt., and Pete Keogh is with Northwest Orient Airlines in Minneapolis. Thanks, Bill.

A nice letter from his mother answered the call for Pete Hannan in the spring issue. Pete is in Tuy Hoa, and the address is: FR55489, 39th AAR Sqdn, CMR Box 2825, APO SF 96316. Pete's wife and the four children are in Cornwall, N.Y. George Williams has flown more than 75 missions against resupply routes in North Vietnam. He and his T-28 Trojan are based at Nakhon Phanom Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

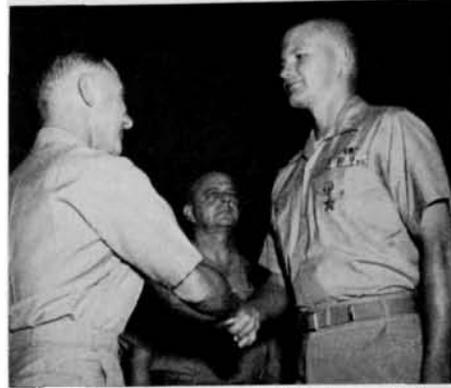
Judy Recher writes that Ron is near Pleiku as Opns officer of Co. A, 4th Avn Bn. He was awarded the DFC for an incident in his UH1D last February, and his tour should end this coming January. Judy, who is interested in contacting other "waiting wives" in the area, lives at 34 Oakside Dr., Toms River, N.J. 08753.

Roger Quinn is in Long Giao as S3 Air of the 11th Cav. Joanne and the four children are living in Columbus, Ohio. Before departing for VN, Rog attended the Founders Day dinner at Knox with Buse Tully, now an ROTC instructor at Ohio State; Phil Shaeffer, now with CDC at Knox; and Bert Bertils, who was hoping for orders to graduate school. En route to VN, Rog traveled with Bud Imler, who had just received his Master's in systems analysis at Arizona and is now applying his knowledge in a Saigon-based computer operation.

Four births have been reported since the last issue. A daughter, Melissa Christine, was born to Tony and Connie Pokorny at West Point on 12 June, joining Allison Claire, who is 1½. Tony is with the Dept of ES&GS. Linda Tyler gave birth to "Little Skip" here on 7 Sept. "Big Skip" is in the Fgn Lang Dept. A third daughter, Catherine Ramelle, was born to Jim and Beckey Turner on 14 June. She joins Michelle 6½, and Melanie 4.



1959: George Williams in his Thailand-based T-28 Trojan.



1959: John Grinalds receives BSM for meritorious service in Vietnam.

The Turners, still at Offutt AFB, write that Hugh and Susie Socks are now at USAFA—Hugh is probably a Tac. And, a daughter, Kelly Ann, was born to Kevin and Anne O'Neill at West Point on 19 Aug. Kevin is with the Dept of Fgn Lang.

Weddings, too. Paul Sper ended his illustrious bachelor career on 15 July when he married Sandra Ellen Segel. The wedding was in Sharon, Mass., and the new apartment is in Rye, N.Y., at 160 Theodore Fremd Ave. The Spers visited Dick and Margaret Welch at West Point on 23 Sept, and we enjoyed seeing them at the Virginia game.

Gerry Stadler married a Texan, Marsha Lynn, a year ago, just prior to a VN tour with a battalion of 105's in support of the 1st Cav Div. Gerry is now at Duke for a year in military history and is scheduled for the Military Art Dept in 1969 or 1970. The current address is: Apt 75D, Colonial Apts., Durham, N.C. 27707.

Win Schepps was married in Birmingham about a year ago (8 Oct 66), and he and Michael Kay invite classmates in the area to pay them a visit at: 4429 Mountindale Rd. (35213). Win received a Master's in social work from N.Y.U. in 1965 and is now doing group psychotherapy at the Medical Center of Alabama.

John and Norwood Grinalds are in Hawaii where John is aide to the CG, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. His last assignment, in VN,

was as Asst Advisor, Task Force B, VNMB. The current mailing address is: 780-A Anderson Rd., Aiea, Hawaii 96701.

Johnny and Bobbee Cox are settled at Fort Bragg with their three children: Julie 7, John Douglas 5½, and Robby 2½. John was an "A" Team leader with Special Forces in VN and is now S3, Trp Comd, at the Special Warfare School. He expects to be at Bragg for at least a couple of years and invites classmates passing through to visit him at 6 Avellino Dr. (28307).

Bob and Sharon Weekley are now at WP with daughter Michelle. Bob returned from a VN assignment as S3, 2d Bn, 13th Arty, on 3 Aug and is now with the Dept of Soc Sci. Bob informs me that Ed and Kathy Temple have three children (Jimmy, Susie, and Christy) and are now in Santiago, Chile, where Ed is assigned to the Joint Plans and Opns Sec of USMILGP, Chile. To reach him by mail, add: Box 33, APO N.Y. 09330, to the above. Ed is in the FAST program and completed a year of training in Argentina about a year ago.

We've enjoyed seeing Jerry Fogel in the first few numbers of the TV series, "Mothers-in-Law." Jerry has a major part on the show which comes along each Sunday evening.

Bill Murry, who left the Dept of Chemistry in June, is now in the advanced course at Fort Sill. He will be married at West Point on 23 Dec to Capt. Sharon I. Miller,



1959: Lee Moraski receives award as 1967 honor graduate of the 2d Engineer Officer class at Fort Belvoir from Gen. Jannarone, Dean of the Academic Board. With Lee is his wife Sandra.

USAF; Fred McConville will be his best man. Sharon is the WAF selection officer for New York and New England. Bill also sends news of other '59ers at Sill. Phil Huntingdon is with him in the advanced course, and Cass Mullen is a gunnery instructor in AOBC. Clay Abrams is in the guided missile Dept and has recently become the father of a new boy. Larry Minnich is XO of an AIT Bn, and Whit George is there doing something or other. Tom Soli was in G3 range control but left for VN the day after Bill arrived. Jan will settle in Williamsburg, Va., until he returns.

We are saddened by the recent confirmation of the deaths of two of our classmates. Mrs. Earnest Greene, Larry's mother, who lives at: 39 Peralta Ave., Los Gatos, Calif. 95030, writes:

"I am very sorry to have to report the death of our son on 30 March 1967. He and a friend from Stanford left to climb to Auiyah Point in Yosemite National Park at 7:30 a.m. and did not return. By the time anyone realized they were missing, their bodies were covered so deeply with snow that they were not discovered until June 17. Larry had been working for a construction company after his resignation from the Army in March 1963, and he had just completed five quarters of graduate work at Stanford, earning a Master of Science degree in civil engineering. He was to report to a construction job in Arizona about 10 April. I should be very happy to hear from any of his classmates..."

Mike Nash was declared officially dead on 16 March, after having been missing in Vietnam for a year. Mary Jane, his widow, whose current address is: 208-B Country Club Apts., Columbus, Ga., has asked me to relay the following message:

"I would like to thank the many classmates who called and wrote and who prayed for Mike. It has been this wonderful support and encouragement that has sustained me during this very trying and difficult period. To the many classmates who attended the ceremony despite the rain, my sincere thank you. To those who may not know, our only child, Michael Kenneth, was born on 18 Dec 1965. Mike never got to see his son."

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As the temporary "hatch-match-and-scratch" authority for the Class, I am happy to report no known "scratches" and one known "match" as this column goes in. However, as Dick Cato says, the "Go-like-60" bunch provided plenty of "hatches." Among the group here at West Point (31 married), approximately 9.677% produced offspring during the last quarter. Jody Searles had a girl Jessica on 19 Aug. Peggy (J.Z.) Miller had a boy Jeb on 14 Sept, and Nancy had another boy some time in early August. If this group is a true random sample, there should have been roughly 51 to 55 babies born to the Class during July, August, and September. Did 48 or so of you forget to write?

Now, on to more important things. Fred Faery (HHC, 3d Bde, 1st Air Cav Div, APO SF 96490) writes that from July 66 to Jan 67 he was CO of Co. C, 1st Bn, 7th Cav, and after January he was Asst S3 of the 3d Bde. He had orders to go to M.I.T. starting in Sept 67 to study aeronautical and astronautical engineering and is coming to the Dept of Mechanics in Aug 69. Fred saw

Chuck Belan and John Crump at the 101st Bde Hq. Chuck was Bde plans officer, and John was the Arty LnO. Both should be home now, with Chuck at Oklahoma U. ROTC and John with an ROTC detachment somewhere. Chuck reported that Bill Carpenter is assigned to USARPAC Hq in Hawaii. Fred also spoke to George Hickman who was with the 5th S/F Gp and Frank Finn who was CO of Co. D, 1st Bn, 7th Cav. Frank left for an assignment at Fort Bragg and planned to get married on the way (the match). Fred's wife, Becky, heard that the Tom Tamplins had a baby girl, their first. Pat and Hal Ladehoff (Regency Arms Apts., C-8, Highland Falls) write that Hal left for Vietnam in July. Hal completed a 3-year tour with the ROTC at N.Y.U. and while there picked up an M.A. in government and international relations. They have two children.

Mike and Miriam Plummer (354 Church Lane, Bloomington, Ind.) are at the U. of Indiana where Mike is getting his Master's in P.E. in preparation for an assignment here in OPE.

We finally heard from John McKinney (USAELMMACV, 10th Cav, APO SF 96314). John is a Cav Trp advisor operating near Rach Kien. His wife Nancy, with Susan and David, are living in Largo, Fla.

Pete Brindley (Box 429, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone) writes that he and Grace and three (should be four by mailing time) children are enjoying Panama. Pete is project officer for an 18-million-dollar canal-widening job that sounds like an Engineer officer's delight. He heard that Dick Gillespie was with USMILGP, Ecuador; George McManus was with USMILGP, Bolivia; and Earl Eubanks was with 8th S/F at Fort Gulick.

Sally Kramer (2 Apache Lane, Wilmington, Calif.) sent a note saying that Jerry is at U.S.C. getting his Master's in engineering management. John and Lynn Ello are also there in the same course. The Kramers spent some time with Sandy and Jack Humes while in Arizona. Jack is getting his Master's at A.S.U.

Wally Duncan, where are you? That's what Grafton Jhung (100 Gateway Road, 192-N, Yonkers, N.Y.) wants to know. So now, Wally, if you don't write Grafton, he'll know you're not up to date with the AOG. Carolyn and Grafton recently had their second daughter. Grafton's a security analyst with Lionel D. Edie & Co. on Fifth Ave. in N.Y.C. Emer Yeager and Terry Gill graduated from Harvard Business School with Grafton. Emer and Sherry and their two children are in Los Angeles where Emer has taken a job as a security analyst with Capital Research and Management Corp. Terry is getting his own company off the ground. It's a retail shop featuring imported furniture and is located near Sudbury. Sue continues to model clothes. Tom Maginnis is an account executive with Smith Barney & Co. in N.Y. Grafton saw Ron and Audrey Halsall in Hawaii last Christmas. Ron is working for a division of C. Brewer & Co.

Chuck Neely dropped in to see Ron Beltz and left a note saying that he is attending Southeastern Seminary in Rocky Mount, N.C. He is in the Reserves and during the summer, went to the Chaplain's School at Fort Hamilton. Chuck plans to return to active duty in May 68.

Keith Garner (5817 Brunswick St., Springfield, Va.) wrote a long, newsy letter. He is assigned to the USA Special Security Detachment, ACSI, DA, with duty station Army

1960: The group at West Point assembled at Round Pond for a picnic before school started.





1960: Some of the younger set. A few more were detained at the Child-Care Center.

Map Service in DC. (With a title like that it must be a good job.) Keith was awarded a BS when he got back from Vietnam last February. John Denton has graduated from the U. of Alabama Medical School and is an intern at Roosevelt Hospital in N.Y.C. He won high honors in his class and was named to two national medical fraternities. Bill "Beetle" Bailey is with DCSOPS, CONARC, at Fort Monroe. Bill returned from Vietnam last January and received the SS and BS with OLC. Randy Perkins is at Fort Sill with the OCS. Bob Estes is back in Vietnam for his second tour. Pat Flannery is interning at Walter Reed and will do a residency there. He is in the Medical Corps, having gone to med school under the Army program. J.J. York was in the career course at Sill. He commanded a battery in the same battalion as Randy Perkins and Jerry Witherspoon while in Vietnam. Keith has plenty of room in his house in Springfield so when in the DC area, call him at 451-5905.

I received a prospectus from Strategic Systems Inc. in early July. The vice president seems to have been removed from the Class of 1960 grapevine lately and wants to hear some news. This is, of course, Joel Bernstein (SSI, 250 Broadway, N.Y.C.). While Joel was working for I.B.M., he picked up an M.S. in industrial engineering at night from Columbia. He's married, lives in Brooklyn, and has one child. Since Joel is running SSI, it should be a good stock to buy (or maybe sell short?).

Nan and Wayne Clay (5402 N. Nevada, Apt. 101, Colorado Springs, Colo.) seem to be doing well now after their fire. Wayne is manager of production planning at Hewlett-Packard. Nan writes that she heard from Tom and Sandy Koentop. Tom left Benning in October for another tour in Vietnam. Sandy will live at: 30 Lannen, Greenville, N.C.

The Editor of ASSEMBLY, worrying about me as usual, sent a couple of press releases. Darrell Houston is attending the Army Comptrollership School course at Syracuse U. Darrell received the SS for action in Vietnam. Also, Ted Harche is a student at Hershey Medical Center.

That wraps up the correspondence this quarter. It has been better. Thanks for the letters. Now I'd like to hear from some of you who haven't been mentioned in a while as well as from the old standbys.

A last bit of news from up here. Gee Gee Caldwell and Daniel, back after 2½ years in Paris, stopped by to see us in early September. Gee Gee studied interior decorating while in Paris and plans to work in Miami.

The group here held elections for executive committee officers early in September. Reed Bennett is local president; Ranger Darden (associate member), vice president; Lee Allen, Secy; Joe Skinner, treasurer; and San Kouns is social chairman. The executive committee is set up here, as authorized in the approved constitution, to provide a central group to handle class business for the permanent officers. Rex Good, of the English Dept, missed the election meeting so, quite naturally, I suggested he be appointed temporary class Scribe. But he had friends there who stopped it. Don't lose hope, I'll keep trying.

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Again the vicissitudes of war and life have not exempted us. Dick Davis was killed in Vietnam on 10 May as a result of gunshot wounds sustained in hostile ground action. Our deepest sympathy goes to the members of the Davis family. On 15 July, Gloria Angstadt passed away after having been ill since the birth of their second child, Kelly Elizabeth, on 1 May. We extend our great sorrow to Dick, the children, and the families. Dick's address for those who will want to write is: Touche, Ross, Bailey, & Smart, 1380 First National Building, Detroit, Mich. 48226.

News has been more plentiful than usual and thanks go to those who went to the trouble of writing. Tom Baird has written from the Dak To area of Vietnam where he was commanding the long range recon patrol in the 173d Abn Bde. He expected to get a company soon and probably has one by now. Tom's wife Judie and the two children are living in Willingboro, N.J. Pete Burgess is the Arty LnO for the 173d. Jim Haise is with the 1st Cav Div as is Charlie Green who commands the Hq and Maint Spt Co. of the 27th Maint Bn. On 3 April Charlie and Adrienne were blessed with their second child, Susan Crandall, and in June, Charlie received his Master's from Purdue U. in aeronautics, astronautics, and engineering sciences. Adrienne and the girls are living in New Orleans at 1737 Jefferson Ave., and the welcome mat is out.

Mike Breslin has finished the Armor career course at Fort Knox and is now in Vietnam. Mike saw Bob McCarthy before leaving and said that Bob was now a full fledged member of the Massachusetts bar. Ellen Seylar has written from Germany where she is living while Ron is in Vietnam and says that

Ron is with the 45th Engr Gp in Qui Nhon. Jay Olejniczak plans to depart Vietnam in late October and get his Master's in English at the U. of Wisconsin. Frank Tilton is now commanding an Engr Co. near Qui Nhon, and Liz is waiting out the year in San Francisco. She swears that her address is *not* in the Haight-Asbury district.

Bruce Cowan has passed me a copy of his annual H-1 newsletter which has a lot of good information about most of the H-1 files. Mike Eiland is with the S/F in Vietnam but returns shortly to enter Georgetown U. for a Master's in economics and a tour as an instructor here in the Social Science Dept. Todd Counts is now back in the Army and has just departed Fort Campbell for Fort Sill. Todd is a captain and expects Vietnam after the Arty career course. Ken Geiger has received a Master's in industrial engineering from Northeastern and is awaiting orders for Vietnam. Donn Miller is studying for a Master's in Russian at the U. of Pennsylvania. Donn studied Russian at Monterey before going to Penn. While in California, a son Scott was born on 17 May to join their daughter Kimberly. Donn also mentioned that he lived right around the corner from John Purdy (ex-'61) at Fort Ord. John is a major and married with two-and-a-butt children.

Rumors are that Jim Cullen is in Tucson, Ariz., as a member of the fighter cadre at Davis-Monthan AFB. Jim was in the Far East for two years and is supposedly making up for it by owning *two* Jaguar XKE's. Drew Casani is now in Colorado Springs working with the Air Force in NORAD Hq. He is still a bachelor but the world is getting to him; he now has a driver's license, owns a car, dates girls, and has even been known to toast a friend upon occasion.

Lou Berra has written a very interesting letter from Tokyo where he works as a civilian-clothes intelligence operative using his newly acquired fluency in Japanese. Lou has extended an enthusiastic welcome to anyone going on R&R in Tokyo, urging them to contact him in advance, as he would like to see them and assist them in anyway possible. His address is: Capt. L.C. Berra, Spt Det, 500th MI Gp, APO San Francisco 96267; his phone numbers are: (home) 516-8272; (office) 402-6057.

Writing from Seoul, Korea, Dick and Jill Cullum report the birth of their son Chad Owen on 2 July 1967. The Cullums plan to return to CONUS in December but have no orders yet. Dick has a report on George Kopesak who is now in Ranger school and will begin the Arty career course this fall. George succeeded in convincing the Army that his old football injuries should not prevent him from wearing a uniform and was commissioned a 2/Lt, USAR, on 2 March 1962 and subsequently received his 7 June 1961 DOR and an RA commission. Dick also said that Ron Grannemann has extended for 6 months with the 1st Cav Div and has applied for a branch transfer from Artillery to Infantry.

The graduate school campuses throughout the country continue to be sprinkled with classmates. A perusal of the Army's graduate school roster has produced the following: Mike Xenos, U. of Arizona, systems engineering; Pete Heimdahl, U. of Illinois, theoretical and applied mechanics; Gary Hyde, U. of Michigan, guided missile engineering; Lee Babbitt, Ohio State, operational research analysis; Dave Mace, Ohio State, geodetic science; Pat Hoy and Terry Schell, U. of Pennsylvania, English; Ray Tilghman, Pittsburgh, guided missile engineering; Howie

Roberts, Princeton, economics; Tom Gordon, Purdue, industrial relations; Lynn Bender, Will Conley, Bert Custer, Jack Solomon, and Larry Welsh, R.P.I., mathematics; Dick Buckner, U. of Wisconsin, physical education; Charlie Hansell, U. of Wisconsin, geography. Jim Crowther finished the M.S. program at AFIT, Wright-Patterson AFB, and is en route to the 1st Inf Div. Linda and daughter Cathy will be at 834 N. Chapel Gate Lane in Baltimore during Jim's absence. Rod Bartholomew and Ron Neutzling were in the same program as Jim, and Bob Yavis (USAF) graduated last March. Dave Brooks, who has been navigating C-141's out of Dover, Del., is on orders to the U. of New Hampshire and will study CE. John Votaw is studying military history at the U. of California, Davis. John spent a year in Vietnam with the 11th Cav Regt and will come to the Military Art Dept after finishing at Davis. Howie and Gracie Graves with the two children will be returning to England in December. Howie will complete work on his Ph.D., then to Vietnam in August 1968 before coming back to the Social Science Dept.

Russ Phelps is assigned to Aberdeen Proving Ground and is performing human factor studies on Commo gear. He is also working on his Master's by going to night school at Johns Hopkins. Don and Jo Sawtelle are at Purdue where Don is studying prior to coming back to the Dept of Tactics.

John Oliver has reported to USMA and is the Tac of Co. F-3. John had news of classmates from the Fort Sill area. Tom Blanda and Jim Oaks were in his Arty career course. Tom is going to R.P.I. to study math, and Jim is headed for Vietnam. Bev Powell is in the career course at Sill. Jon Nitkowski is attending the Pershing course. Buck Shaffer and Jim Schall were also at Sill.

Dale and Eloise Shipley have departed Fort Myer for Fort McPherson, Ga. Dale is the new junior aide to Lt. Gen. Throckmorton, the CG of Third Army. Jack Dewar has finished the MI career course and is now in the MI branch of OPO, the Pentagon. Paul and Mary Ann Vader with new baby boy, Christopher, have departed Fort Benning for Lexington, Ky., where Paul will be on the ROTC staff at the U. of Kentucky.

The stork continues to visit our classmates' homes bringing with him happiness, sleeplessness, tax deductions, continued loss of flexibility, repressed proud feelings of virility, responsibility and authority, and mutual fund salesmen. Linda Hartford presented Jay with a baby girl, Stacy Michelle, on 11 July. The Hartfords are still in Arcata, Calif. Frank and Betty Egan are the proud parents of a romping baby boy they have named Eric. Frank is considering de-listing his telephone number because so many football scouts are calling.

Jay and Mary Cook are the parents of Robert Michael who arrived on 28 August. The Cooks are headed for Fort Knox. Jim and Judy Haise have reported the birth of their first child, Jennifer Elizabeth, born on 8 July. Jim is now aide-ing the CG of the 1st Cav Div. After the fact (two years after) I am happy to report the birth of Arthur J. Downey III, to Art and Lucky Downey.

A little more news than usual is available on civilian classmates. Ray (Dick) Regan has written from Albuquerque, N.Mex., where he is a senior law student at the U. of New Mexico. Besides staying pro in law, Ray fulfills his responsibilities as president of his law class and president of the student bar association for 1967-68. He plans to practice in either New Mexico or California next year. He and Joan had their first child, Brian

Keith, last February but still report plenty of room for anybody traveling Route 66. Ray also said that Warren Watson was flying F-100's at Luke AFB in Phoenix and that Glen Adams has graduated from the U. of Texas Law School and is practicing in Midland, Tex. A West Point Society of Houston roster lists Jerry Clements as a law student at S.M.U. Earl Gilmore is now the supervisor of Engineering Document Services with the Westinghouse Air Brake Co. in Peoria, Ill. Mike and Arlene Brady have a new baby boy. They still live in Gary, Ind., where Mike works in the insurance business, in addition to studying for an M.B.A. at Chicago U.

George Cherry is studying for an M.B.A. at L.S.U. while working as an engineer at Chrysler's Space Div in Slidell, La. Russ and Carolyn Cornelius are also living in Louisiana and cordially invite anyone coming to New Orleans to stop by at: 11125 Glenhaven Drive, Baton Rouge, La. 70815. Joe Russo is now at Fort Monmouth but plans to be a civilian by January after having submitted his papers while in Vietnam. Other recent resignees according to my information are: Dan Di Carlo, Mike Maloney, and Roger Middlesteadt.

Thanks for the pick up in news, and please forgive what appears to be a gross inadequacy in putting verbs in the proper tense. The deadline for these articles is three months before ASSEMBLY hits the press. If at any time anyone desires an address or other information on a classmate, I will be happy to furnish it providing I have it in my files.

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Information was received that T.D. Culp was KIA in Vietnam. I have not learned the circumstances as yet, but AG, USMA, was notified. In order to answer the many inquiries concerning those classmates KIA, and those who have died from other causes, I have compiled the following list, which is not official, but to the best of my knowledge is accurate. KIA Vietnam: Reach, Griffith, Dean, Krukowski, Wauchop, Reasoner, Zinn, Fuellhart, McMahan, Kobayashi, Hoos, McDonough, Robert P. Andrews, Anderson, Thomas D. Culp, and Ed Bailey. Other deaths: Mailey, Pfeifer, and Gartrell. It is appropriate that the first issue of ASSEMBLY after our 5th Reunion acknowledge those who have already joined the Long Gray Line.

Further items concerning the 5th Reunion will appear in the next ASSEMBLY. The report on the happenings of Homecoming will be in the capable hands of Pat Hueman, Dept of Mechanics, who has been elected as the "Scribe in Residence."

From Vietnam

Barry Butzer found time as ADC to Gen. Kerwin, MACV C/S, to write about the following classmates: "Marsh Johnson, recently departed from Vietnam for the Infantry career course at Benning, picked up a new Corvette upon arrival in the States; he is still a bachelor. Steve Warner, who was with the Vietnamese Abn Div, has also returned to CONUS and a career course (believe Infantry); he, too, is still a bachelor. Pete Horoschak commanded a troop in the 11th Cav, moved to Hq, USARV, and is now in the Armor career course. Howie Batt followed the same course as Pete. Lou Higinbotham finally left Vietnam after three years; he was skinnier than ever, spoke fluent Vietnamese, had spent a 6-month tour in every conceivable position in Vietnam, and recently served on the brigade staff of the 173d Abn Bde. (I have recently heard that Lou has decided to renew his citizenship and report to Benning in October for the career course.) Lou is still a bachelor. Steve Arnold was wounded while serving as CO of a company in the 1st Bde of the 101st Abn Div (no details available). Johnny Mumford was an aide here in Saigon to Maj. Gen. Eifler, CG, 1st LOG Comd; he left in August and is presently at Redstone Arsenal (believe he is still with Eifler). Jim Gleason is the only other classmate working in MACV Hq at this time; Jim is with the Special Security Detachment. He recently left Fort Bragg where he commanded a company of the 82d Div, is still a bachelor, and proud of it. Jim Strohmeyer is now a civilian; he and Linda and the two children stopped by Lancaster, Pa., to see our parents while en route to Miami, Fla., where Jim will be attending pre-med."

Barry took over the aide job after 5½ months as a sub-sector advisor in the Delta. He invites anyone in the area to call or stop by to see Nancy and Scotty, his 4-year-old. Address: Mrs. Nancy Butzer, 2022 Lombardy Drive, Fayetteville, N.C.; phone: 425-7296.

Alan Biddison reported by mail that he is now with the 22d ARVN Div advisory team. Alan said that Bob Greenwalt is S1 of the 84th Engr Bn; Cal Johnson is an area Engr advisor in the vicinity of Qui Nhon; Bill Kosco is the head comedian, 8th Engr Bn, 1st Air Cav Div; and Steve West is with Hq, 18th Engr Bde.

Finally got a letter from Roy Alcalá. He



1962: The Benning group met for a Class party at the USAIC Recreation Center in July.

has been with the 9th Inf Div since it was activated at Fort Riley last year. He was a troop commander in the Cav Sqdn and later moved to the Div G3 shop. Roy and Willie have a son Roy and will be reunited at Benning some time in November when big Roy returns for the career course. Roy ran into Mike Moore who also traveled to VN with the 9th Div. Mike had a troop and is now an advisor to the Royal Thai Volunteer Regt. Roy also said that Dick Mayo and Frank Miller are about to rotate home to attend the Engr career course at Belvoir.

Fred Doten should be in Vietnam by the time this is published. He has settled Diane and the three girls at Schilling Manor in Salina, Kans. Fred reports that Salina is a nice town of about 46,000 with plenty of housing. Anyone else interested in putting their wives in storage there, write Diane at: 130 Denver Apartments, Schilling Manor.

Larry Smith and Pete Horoschak were scheduled to leave Vietnam on the same plane. Larry will be assigned to civilian branch with duty station yet to be determined, and Pete to HumRRO at Fort Knox.

Dave Phillips is finishing up a 6-month job as a Btry Comdr in the 13th Arty, 1st Air Cav Div. He should be picking up his wife Sharon and four kids in Monterey, Calif., and reporting to R.P.I. in January. Dave ran into Ed Starbird, S2, 45th Engr Gp, Qui Nhon. Dave also said that John Grimshaw was with the 2/320th Arty, 101st, and that Buck Lair was to attend U.C.L.A. in December and later instruct in USMA's Soc Sci Dept.

I had word that Pete King was assigned in a staff position for the Tay Ninh area, and that Jack Byers had an Inf Co., 1/25 Inf Div, but Jack should have returned to the U.S. by now.

Finally, from Marine Land, Vietnam, Marsh Carter wrote that he is due to return to the States some time in October. Marsh received the Navy Cross from the Marine Corps Commandant for action as a company commander last January.

From Fort Sill

Received a newsy letter from Arline and Dave Mundt announcing the arrival of a daughter. Dave is with the OCS Bde and imparts this information. "Patty and Tom Moore and daughters are there; he instructs in the gunnery Dept. John Ferguson is in the same Dept. Harry Harris, with his wife Bev and new son, Eric, is there as CO of an Arty Btry. Don Woeber is also a Btry CO; he and Leona have two sons. Roger Franke is in the G3 shop; Craig Taylor is in IO; Dick Hartman is in School Center, Office of Secy; Earl Holeman is in the school's Survey Dept. Walt Bryde, with his wife Nancy and new daughter, is in Sill's ATC as are: Tom Culver, Buck Lair, Jim Heldman, Doug Morgan, and George Sarran. Bill and Ann Cross and daughters left for the career course at Knox; Chuck Ivy went to Korea as ADC to Maj. Gen. Critz. Marty and Rick Carlson with son are due to arrive for the Arty career course. Dave also notes that Mary Jo and Denny Reimer and Ann and Jerry Rose are at Fort Benning where they command BCT companies. Becky and Jim Acklin with son Tommy and new daughter, Amy Elise, are at Fort Jackson. Al Miller is with the 9th Div in Vietnam while Judy and daughter await his return in Virginia. Jim Peterson will be leaving Sill and heading for VN, 1/11th Arty. Eleanor and their soon-expected baby will settle in Palm Beach, Fla., for the duration."

From Fort Knox

Tom Fintel sends the following: "Vin Murphy is commanding the only Arty Btry on post over in 16th Armor Gp. Dave Armstrong now has a company in USATCA. Skip and Mary Ellen Holcomb are still with the 17th Cav. Skip is preparing for his second tour in VN. Tony DeAmico, wife, and two children are in USATCA. Tony is commanding the Special Tng Co. Joe Sayers is working at Ireland Army Hospital this summer. He's attending the U. of Louisville Medical School on leave of absence from the Army. How's that for advanced civil schooling? Bill Hughes showed up about a month ago—he was home on leave from Thailand where he's presently stationed; he'll be coming home on PCS in December. He came out to the training site to see me and waltzed right into a simulated VC ambush we had set up—I never saw a man move so fast in my whole life! Bill's wife Jeanne and young William (King William) are presently staying with Col. and Mrs. Hughes here at Knox.

"As I was driving thru Van Voorhees yesterday, I saw Larry Mengel's nameplate above a doorbell. I didn't stop, but I assume he's here for AOAC #2 which starts after Labor Day. Jim Ellis signed in today—Julie and I met him, his wife, and daughter Tracy at the club this evening. Jim was a little awed by all the steel on display. Roy Degenhardt went directly from VN to Copenhagen where he was married to Louise, a 3.0 Swedish blonde. They had a one-week honeymoon and reported to Knox on 5 July."

From Fort Benning

Your Fort Benning reporter, Joe Rigby sent a picture of those stationed there taken at a July class party at the USAIC Recreation Center. All the names weren't listed, but the group consists of classmates who are permanent party, students, and transients. Whom can you recognize five years later? Joe lists the following in Advanced 1-68: John Dargle, Rog Hilton, Larry Larsen (a newlywed whose wife's name is Marilyn), John O'Neal, Wayne Parker, Bill Smith, Don Snider, Bob Carroll (still a bachelor). The following, with their new PCS's, were in Car-2 which graduated in September: Mike Crabtree to 173d Abn Bde, VN; John DeVore to USATC, Fort Benning, Ga.; Ralph Lurker to Hq 5th Army, Chicago; John Taylor to USARV; Barry Thomas to USATC, Fort Ord, Calif.; John Walker to USATC, Fort Bragg, N.C.; Don Williamson to U. of Hawaii graduate program in political science, then to USMA. The following are recent arrivals at Benning: Fred Hillyard, still a bachelor and "snowbirding" for ADV-2-68; Pete Wuerpel, Special Projects G3, USAIC; Pete Hameister, Co. Comdr in the 197th Bde; Joe Nunnelee, instructor, Co. Opns Dept; Al McElhose, instructor, Nuclear Wpns Comd; Ralph Pryor, Gen. Wright's aide at Benning. Another bit of information: by now, Kevin Renaghan is a civilian getting his Master's at R.P.I.

From Anywhere

Bill and Jane Cauthen wrote in from Italy where Bill is in the process of being transferred to Schwaebisch Gmuend, Germany, to command a PERSHING Msl Btry. His new address will be: 4th Bn, 41st Arty, APO N.Y. 09281. Wilton McRae bit the dust while in Germany. He was shot down by a school teacher from Kansas named Rosalyn, and they now have one son, Charles. Wilton is now in med school at the U. of Florida.

Received a letter from Larry Needs. He should have arrived in VN by now. He is

going to station Sandra and their two children in Midland, Pa.

From USMA

Winnie Clark has been assigned as a Tac and even looks mean and tough. It was hard for him to master his pleasing personality in order to qualify, but the granite walls helped. Dave Windom is assigned to the Information Office and is CinC, Visitors. He should be married by the time this is published. JJ Kirby finally checked in and is S1 of the 1st Bn, 1st Inf. JJ is still wondering how an Armor officer ended up with that job, but he has adjusted well. Dick Wylie was assigned to the Expansion Planning and Control Office when he came here in August. He also brought his bride of ten days with him. I wondered why he was having eggs and bacon at the club at 12:30 p.m. when I first ran into him. Pat Hueman is using up the chalk dust drawing all those free-body diagrams and deriving $F=MA$ for the awe-inspired cadets. At the first '62 class meeting held at USMA, Pat received the "honor" of preparing the class Notes. Even though he will find it difficult to draw a free-body diagram of the whereabouts of the members of the Class of '62, I know he will do a fine job. I appreciate all the support I received from you, and if anything is in the mail, I will see that Pat gets it. Meanwhile, write to Pat at: Capt. Pat Hueman, Dept of Mechanics, USMA, West Point, N.Y. 10996.

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Ty Tyler is attending the AG advanced course at Fort B. Harrison after a year with the 7/11 Arty in RVN. Paul Maxwell is an instructor pilot at Fort Rucker; he was recently awarded the DFC for heroic actions in RVN. Norm and Arleen Betaque are at M.I.T. where Norm is working on a Master's in "juice." Homer Holland is attending the Signal advanced course and has orders for the 9th Inf Div in September. Mike and Genie Natvig are at Sill with their two sons, Scott and Randall. Walt Nicholas is a student company CO at Monmouth. Jim Jones is also at Monmouth as the CG's aide. Gordie Arbogast is attending the Signal advanced course after a tour with the 1st Cav.

Had a long, newsy letter from Russ Simonetta. He and Phyllis have finished the advanced course at Bliss and are now in the Thai Language School at Monterey. Those attending the advanced course at Sill include: Steinig, T.J. Kelly, Forsythe, and Mataranglo. Bob Coulson is working for the Navy in Amphibious Group II at Little Creek, Va. Others at Sill: Jim Armogida (now a JAG file), Art Swisher with CDC, and Larry Spohn. Fort Hood claims Jack Shepard, Gary Sausser, and Bill Stryker. Jack Ford is a TPI inspector in Germany. Ed Banks, Wayne Morehead, Army Lujan, and Mike Lawn are at Fort Bliss. Dave Cole is CO of a 175 Btry at Carson. Pete Kelly is at Belvoir in the advanced course. ROTC instructors include: Jim Nolan at Northeastern, Dick James at Clemson, Phil Bosma at Florence State in Alabama, and Al Christensen at U. of Delaware. Fred Cummings and Carolyn White were married on 16 Sept and will be stationed at Fort Gordon. Al Clark is convalescing from mortar wounds at Brooke Army Hospital in San Antonio. Al would like to see any classmates in the Fort Sam Houston area; his address is: Ward 43-A, at

Brooke. Bob McGarity is with ATC at Fort Stewart, Ga. Tom Karr, Bob Lewsen, Max Barron, Bill Merritt, Jack O'Donnell, Dick Higgins, Wes Stewart, and Bob Bruce will graduate from the advanced course at Bliss on 1 Nov 67. Dick Walsh and Dick Eckert are with the Inf School at Benning. Kip Jenison is at Fort Ord. Bob Brown is at U.S.C. for grad work in international relations. Jerry Stonehouse is now a civilian in the Boston area. Mike Walsh is out and works for I.B.M. in Atlanta. Joe Godsey has left the Air Force and works for Western Bell in Wichita.

Vietnam: Frank Lennon is up to his old tricks; he recently escorted Miss America around RVN; he's with the 173d Abn. Charlie Nahlik works out of Saigon for PSYOPS and would like all M-1ers to send him their current addresses for an M-1-type info letter. Charlie's address is: 7th PSYOP Gp, APO San Francisco 96248. Larry Capps works for the Spt Comd in Saigon. Garry Hall is CO, Hq Co., 80th Spt Gp, Chu Lai. Garry's wife Barbara and son Kevin are spending the year in Peekskill, N.Y. Denny DeSmet, Bill Alexander, and Clark Ballard are with the 554th Engr Bn. Bruce (B.F.) Miller is with the 65th Engrs at Cu Chi. Nona Ballard would like to hear some news from people in D-2; her address is: 8806 Plainfield Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45236.

That's about it for now. Keep the mail coming, and—BEAT NAVY!!!

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It is always a pleasure to hear from wives and mothers of classmates who take the time and trouble to pass on the latest happenings when we're too busy to write. Darlene Cooper wrote in July of Phil's imminent return from 1/10th Cav in Vietnam. They are probably, by this time, in flight school at Fort Rucker and looking forward to Europe next summer. Darlene had heard from John and Sandy Funk who are still in Germany with the 1/64th Armor and from Mike and Leslie Fligg at Fort Knox. By this printing Mike will be in RVN.

Donna Reller, new bride of Frank Reller (EDCSA 10 June 67), wrote from U. of Illinois where Frank is studying nuclear engineering. The Rellers had heard from Frank Arnall who was en route home from RVN and Bob Lee who is rumored to be contemplating matrimony.

Eloise Chudoba, Denny's sister, wrote of Denny's continued improvement after being wounded in Vietnam. Denny was with the 196th and as of July was greatly improved

in the 106th General Hospital in Yokohama. Denny had heard from Bob Gates who is also hospitalized in Fort Lewis, Wash., as a result of a grenade wound suffered with the 173d. Bob also seemed to be coming along well. Denny had also seen Ernie Westpheling who is an advisor to the RVN Abn.

From Vietnam Tom Fergusson wrote of his job as an Intelligence officer with the 131st Avn. Tom is now recovered from the operations that were performed after graduation to enable him to get his commission. Most of us remember the accident at Buckner that left him with a badly injured eye. Tom is still a bachelor. He had seen Jim Murphy, USMC, in the spring. Jim had been wounded twice.

Some press releases that came to my attention report honors for several of our classmates. Cris Needels received his second award of the DFC in Aug 67. Cris also holds two awards of the SS, AM, and the PH. Joe Anderson received an ACM with "V" in May for heroism in An Khe. Obie O'Brien received the BS for heroism near Binh Son on 27 May while serving with the 9th Div's 3/5th Cav. Roger Frydrychowski, a CO with the 4th Div, holds two Silver Stars.

From those not yet in Vietnam but soon to be on the way came several letters. Gil Curl wrote from Fort Irwin, Calif., that Skip O'Donnell and he are XO's in the 5/22d Arty. Jim Talbot is a BC at Fort Irwin. Skip wrote earlier from Sill of many classmates there. Steve Ammon and Don Parcels are instructors there in the gunnery Dept. Others attending various courses are: Ray and Linda Hawkins, Harry and Kay Dermody, Jim and Pat Olivo, Wayne Marsh, Frank Meier, Joe DeFrancisco, Bill Tredennick, Guy Riley, Bob Scully, Greg Letterman, Jim Fergusson, Preston Hughes, Cris Spire and his wife, Tom Wiley and his wife, Gene Parker and his wife, and Jim Miyashiro and his wife. Emery and Eleanor Chase are still at Fort Benning. Emery is scheduled for Vietnam in Jan 68. Also at Benning are: Rick Chapman, Duncan MacVicar, Tom Carll, Fred Scruggs, Tom Croak, and John Swensson.

From the ranks of the Air Force, Rick Osgood wrote of several classmates at Wright-Patterson. Rick, Jerry Dufour, Bill Fields, and Ed Zabka are all part of Project Leap and are involved in R&D. To Rick and Alice, June brought R.M.O. III, a red-headed boy. More AF news came from Dottie Shantz. Denny just got his Master's at U.S.C., and they will be residing at Edwards AFB for the next 3½-4 years. Rich and Sue Leary are also at Edwards along with T.J. Kelly and his new bride.

From Augsburg, Germany, Joe Barkley sent news of several classmates there. He

and Diane have 1-year-old Christopher Michael to keep them in line, and Joe commands HHC 1/34th Inf. Dave Jones is S3 of that battalion. Dave and Patty have a little girl, Kimmy, born 15 Aug 66. Joe sees Rick and Mary Anne Weatherall often. They have a daughter Joanne born in Aug 66. Rick is S3, 1/51st Inf. In the 24th Armd Div, Tim Timmerman and Manny Maimone are aides to the CG and ADC respectively. Manny and Carol have a son Christian born in April 66. Back in Augsburg the Harmans, Steve and Anne, and the Johnsons, Bob and Nancy, are both recent parents, Steve and Anne for the second time. Janet Atteberry wrote from Frankfurt, Germany, that Lee is on orders for RVN. Lee has already commanded a battery. They have a newborn son, Christopher Leighton, born 29 July 1967. Janet wrote of others: Wayne Scholl leaves Germany in August, but Bill Sherrell and Tom Powers remain. Paul Rau arrived in the spring. Steve and Linda Ganshert are still in Wurzburg.

As of September, at Fort Bragg, Jim Webb is on orders for the 9th, Harry Joyner for the 25th, Pat O'Connor for the 101st, and I for the 4th. Harry and Martha Joyner have a new son, Todd, born 5 July 67. New arrivals are Mack and Dianne Gill and Jim and Lee Wood who are with Special Forces. Curt Adams is on his honeymoon after exchanging vows with the new Ann Adams. Judy Hemmingway reports the arrival of Charles Lynn Hemmingway on Sunday, 24 Sept.

An administrative note—send all future correspondence for this column to Grant L. Fredricks, 244 East Adams Street, Long Beach, Calif. 90805. Grant volunteered to take over the duties starting with the next issue. Just give him the same support you've given me, and this column can be a source of information and pleasure for all. As for me, when you receive this I'll have already been wading in the rice paddies for a couple of months while Cam stays at Leavenworth, Kans.

It is again my sad duty to inform you of the deaths of four more from our class ranks. Jack Hutton, Tony Borrego, Bob Gagne, and Jerry Clark have all paid life's highest price. But the memories of their deeds can never die, for they live on in the minds and hearts of those of us who knew them best.

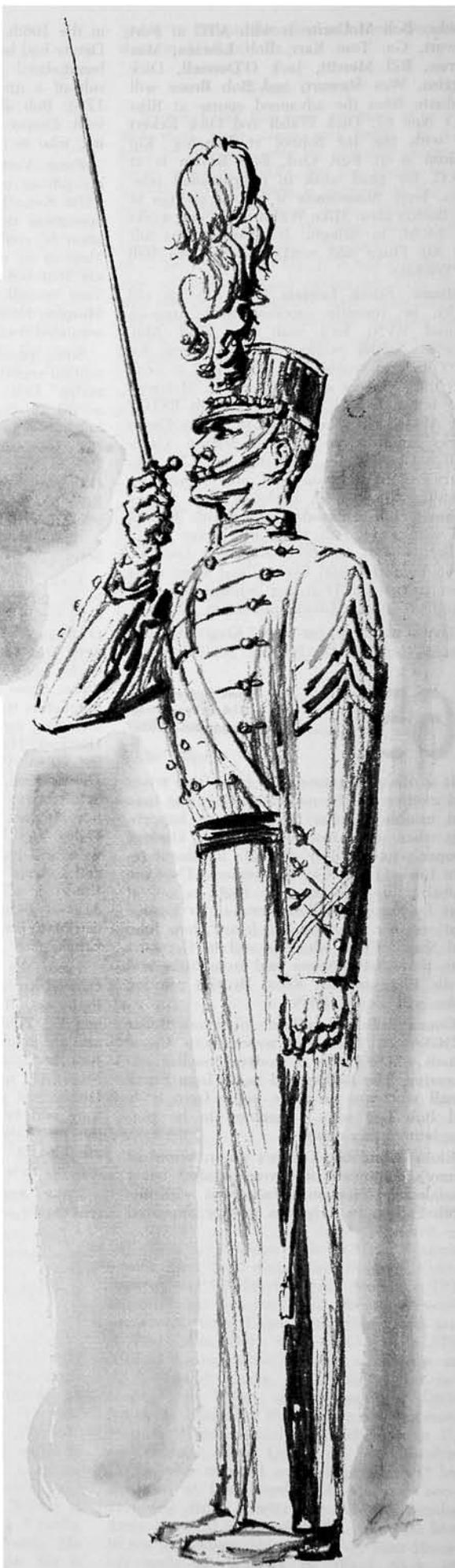
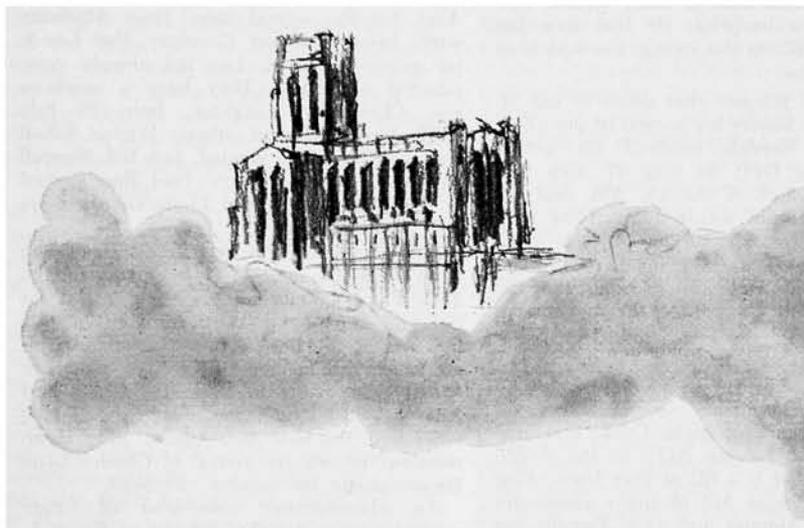
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EDITOR'S NOTE: Your class Scribe sends greetings, good luck, and urges that you "get the poop circulating." Write him at the above address *right away*, so we can read about you in the winter issue.

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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Francis Le Jau Parker

NO. 3574 CLASS OF 1894

Died 16 May 1966 in Charleston, South Carolina, aged 92 years.

Interment: Cemetery at Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, Abbeville, South Carolina

FRANCIS LE JAU PARKER WAS BORN in Abbeville, South Carolina, on 24 June 1873. He was one of the six children of William Henry Parker and the former Lucia Garvey Wardlaw. His father served as an officer in the Confederate Army and later as a member of the legislature of South Carolina for many years. He is a direct descendant of the Honorable John Parker of Saint James Parish, Goosecreek, and Charleston, South Carolina, who was a member of the Convention and Provincial Congress in 1774-1775.

After attending the local schools of Abbeville, Francis Le Jau Parker was appointed to the United States Military Academy in 1890 and was an honor graduate of the Class of 1894. His first assignment as a second lieutenant was with the 5th Cavalry at Fort



FRANCIS LE JAU PARKER

Sam Houston, Texas. During his varied and distinguished career of forty-two years, he rose to the rank of brigadier general, serving ably in a dozen foreign lands in addition to numerous posts in the United States.

Prior to the entry of the United States into World War I, he served twice on the Texas-Mexico Border, in Cuba during the Spanish-American War, in Puerto Rico, in the Philippine Islands during the 1901 Insurrection and subsequently as aide-de-camp to the Governor General, and for three years with his regiment in several western states. He spent a year as an instructor in modern languages at the United States Military Academy and also taught at the General Service Schools at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He became an honor graduate of the Army School of the Line in 1908 and graduated from the Army Staff College in 1909. From 1916 to 1917 he was assigned to the General Staff Corps in Washington, D.C., before going overseas to serve as a military observer with the Rumanian armies in the field.

After the United States entered World War I, he was appointed as a military attaché

in Petrograd, Russia, and later that year served at the general headquarters of the Russian field armies. He returned to the United States with the temporary rank of colonel in September 1917 to serve in turn as commander of the 119th Infantry, 30th Division, commander of Fort Myer, Virginia, and as commander of the 312th Cavalry. In June and July 1918 he served with the General Staff Corps in Washington and was appointed by President Wilson to the rank of brigadier general in the National Army. After commanding the 171st Infantry Brigade of the 86th Division, he returned to Europe to serve at the front with the 28th Division and then, after the Armistice, with the Military Intelligence Section of the General Staff, A.E.F. In June 1919, he returned to the United States to enter the General Staff College in Washington.

Upon graduation from the Army War College in 1920, with the permanent rank of colonel of Cavalry, he served on the Texas-Mexico Border with the 7th Cavalry and as commander of the 1st Cavalry. In 1920, he became chief of staff of the 6th Division and then assistant chief of staff at the Headquarters of the 6th Corps Area. From 1921 to 1923, he was the military attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico. In 1925 and 1926 he served on the United States-Mexico Mixed Claims Commission and with the Tacnara-Arica Arbitration Commission. In 1928 he was appointed vice-chairman of the National Board of Elections of the American Electoral Mission in Nicaragua. Perhaps his most important service to his country was rendered from 1929 to 1933 when he was appointed by President Coolidge to be Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department. At the close of this period of service, he was appointed by President Hoover to the permanent rank of brigadier general of the line of the Army, effective 1 February 1933.

General Parker's final tour of foreign service came in 1934, when he was appointed Commanding General of Fort Stotsenberg in the Philippine Islands. He then took his last salute as an officer on active duty in 1936, as Commanding General of the 1st Cavalry Division, closing a remarkably long career spanning forty-two years of dedicated service of great variety in many parts of the world. He was trusted and warmly admired by those who knew him and was always respected for his high standard of integrity and devotion to duty. Upon his retirement, he settled in Charleston, South Carolina, where he continued his lively interest in world affairs and people as an active member of many organizations until his death on 16 May 1966. He is buried in the cemetery of Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church in Abbeville, and is survived by two nephews, William Henry Parker of Philadelphia and Louis T. Parker of Charleston, and by two nieces, Mrs. Porter Williams of Charleston and Mrs. Moultrie Guerry of Norfolk, Virginia. General Parker's active life of ninety-two years is well summarized in an editorial in the *Charleston News and Courier* of 18 May 1966: "With his passing, South Carolina and the nation have lost an upright gentleman and dedicated citizen-soldier."

—Porter Williams Jr.
Great-nephew

Ben Frazer Ristine

NO. 4199 CLASS OF 1903

Died 1 January 1967 at Veterans Administration Hospital, Lake City, Florida, aged 87 years.

Interment: Oak Hill Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana

BEN FRAZER RISTINE WAS BORN on 27 March 1879, in Crawfordsville, Indiana, the son of Doctor Warren Henry and Martha Somerville Frazer Ristine. He was one of five children—three girls and two boys. Both his paternal and his maternal ancestors came to America prior to the American Revolution.

Ben attended Central Grammar School in Crawfordsville, Wabash College Preparatory School, and completed work for his bachelor of arts degree at Wabash College. This same Wabash College was to confer an honorary master of arts degree on him many years later.

On 13 June 1899 Ben Ristine entered West Point, on an appointment by Charles B. Landis of the 8th Congressional District in Indiana. Upon graduation on 11 June 1903, Ben was commissioned a second lieutenant of Infantry and proceeded to Fort Snelling, Min-



BEN FRAZER RISTINE

nesota, for duty with the 21st Infantry Regiment. It was here that he met Miss Mae Belle Patton of Detroit, Michigan, whom he married on 17 April 1907. Forty years later Ben returned to Fort Snelling as its commanding officer. It was a source of satisfaction to the Ristines that their only daughter, Jane Patton, was married in the historic post chapel while her father was in command there.

In his long and varied career, Ben served three separate tours in the Philippines and was on the Mexican border during the days of Pancho Villa. In France, during World War I, he commanded a battalion in the Aisne-Marne and Meuse Argonne offensives and also saw action in the Chateau Thierry and Verdun engagements. He was a graduate of the Infantry School at Fort Benning and the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. He was Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the School of Engineering in Milwaukee and later, at the University of Dayton in Ohio. He also served with National Guard units in New Mexico, North Carolina, Missouri, and Iowa. In 1917-18, when Ben was instructing newly commissioned officers at Fort Leavenworth, Lt. Dwight D. Eisenhower was assigned to the company Ben com-

manded. The photograph of this command is a highly prized possession of the Ristine family.

Ben retired in 1942 after having commanded Fort Crook, Nebraska, and moved to Lakeland, Florida, where he established his retirement home. His beloved Mae died there in 1956, just a few months before they would have celebrated their golden anniversary.

Ben's twenty-five retirement years in Lakeland were characterized by the same enthusiasm and deep sense of responsibility that marked his long Service career. Before and after Mae's death he was an active supporter and participant in such civic and social activities as: the Lakeland Symphony Association, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Little Theater, the Boys' Club, and the Red Cross. He also devoted considerable time and energy to church work and was an avid "bowling on the green" fan.

Despite these many community affiliations Ben was primarily a family man and maintained close ties, especially in his retirement years, with all the members of the Ristine clan. Ben's daughter Jane and her husband, George W. Hughes, live at 4617 Princess Anne Lane, Jacksonville, Florida. Their two daughters, Cynthia and Nancy, are currently in college, the former at the University of North Carolina and the latter at Stetson University.

It was always a source of great pleasure and satisfaction to Ben when he could return to West Point for a visit, and he looked forward eagerly to those times when he could reestablish old ties with the members of the Class of 1903.

All who knew Ben Ristine were agreed—his life was a reflection of the code he learned at the Military Academy: Duty, Honor, Country.

—Family and
A classmate

Calvin Pearl Titus

NO. 4380 CLASS OF 1905

Died 27 May 1966 in the Veterans' Hospital,
San Fernando, California, aged 86 years.
Interment: Forest Lawn, Hollywood, California

WHAT IS TRUE GREATNESS in a man? Equal parts of demonstrated ability and devotion to family and career? Perhaps. But honoring his belief in God through an exemplary Christian life just could be the real measure.



CALVIN PEARL TITUS

Few people now living are aware that, prior to entering West Point in 1901, Calvin Titus was an ordained minister in the home mission field, working with his missionary uncle, Jason Lee. In fact, it was through his missionary work that he came to meet, and soon after graduation, marry, his life-long partner, Grace. Even fewer know that during WW I he requested transfer from the Infantry to the Corps of Chaplains, a request that was denied on the grounds that his Academy and subsequent troop and staff training would be wasted in assignments as a chaplain. This refusal, however, did not deter him from influencing others through his every word and deed in his day-to-day military life. Nobody ever saw him take an alcoholic drink, nor did he use tobacco. And profanity, even under the most trying circumstances, was something no one ever associated with Calvin Titus. He preferred never to use even the two "strong words" included in the Academy's lexicon. Not only did they not frown upon his rigid standards, the officers and men with whom he served seemed to silently admire him for his Christ-like principles.

No doubt the number of cadets who have successfully graduated from the Academy without having first had a high school education is limited, but Calvin not only accomplished the feat, he did so in the grand style, ranking in the upper third of his Class at graduation. And how many Plebes have had the Corps of Cadets turned out for a special review in order that the President of the United States might step out on the Plain and pin the Medal of Honor on their FD coats? Just one—Calvin P. Titus.

Titus served his God and his country as a home missionary, as a soldier with a distinguished career in the enlisted and commissioned ranks, and as a retired senior citizen. Certainly his was a life that reflected the courageous offer he made as a young man before the towering Peking Wall during the Boxer Rebellion of 1900. On that memorable occasion he was instrumental in writing a page in the U.S. Army's colorful history when he answered his commanding officer's half-thought, half-spoken query: "Who could scale that formidable obstacle?" Titus's "I'll try, Sir," not only insured his place in history, it led to the American troops' victory that day.

Calvin Titus now rests in peace alongside his beloved wife, Grace, who preceded him in death by just a few short years. He is survived by: two sons, Donald W. Titus, Col. (Ret.), USMA 1928, and Calvin P. Titus Jr., ex-'40; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

—D.W.T.

Caesar Rodney Roberts

EX-CADET OF 1909

Died 18 March 1967 in Upland, California,
aged 80 years.

Interment: Forest Lawn Memorial Park,
Glendale, California

CAESAR RODNEY ROBERTS was born in 1887 at Georgetown, Colorado, where his father was the attorney for a mining company. He entered West Point in June 1905, but at the close of his yearling year was discharged because of a physical disability. He then enrolled in the University of Washington and graduated *cum laude* with a degree in civil engineering.

Rodney was determined to continue his military career, however, and joined the



CAESAR RODNEY ROBERTS

Washington National Guard. Called to active duty in 1917, he served in Europe during World War I and was in Koblenz with the Army of Occupation when he received his commission as a captain in the Regular Army.

As an enthusiastic devotee of grand opera, Rodney attended many concerts while stationed in Koblenz and in that way became well acquainted with a very attractive Viennese opera star, Elsa Garay. The friendship grew, and Rodney became an eager student of the French language in order to further his courtship. His tenacity and fluency was rewarded when he married the talented Elsa shortly before he was transferred to San Francisco. In the States Elsa tried to keep up with her musical career while adapting to her new role as an Army wife. But eventually, for reasons of health, she was forced to abandon her stage career.

In the years between the wars, the Robertses had all the usual assignments including a tour at U.C.L.A. where Rodney was PMS&T. When the United States entered World War II, Rodney was assigned to command the anti-aircraft artillery in the Los Angeles area. From there he was transferred to the War Department and served in Washington until 1945 when he retired because of a Service-connected disability.

While at U.C.L.A. Rodney became interested in citrus production, an interest that led, in his retirement, to the development of several citrus groves in southern California, including one in Upland, where he and Elsa made their home.

An avid golfer, Rodney was a member of the Red Hill Country Club for over twenty years. Other interests included memberships in: the Commonwealth and Marine Memorial Clubs of San Francisco, the University Club of Claremont, the West Point Alumni and Retired Officers Associations, the San Francisco Opera Association, and the Sigma Chi fraternity. Visits to San Francisco during the opera season were annual affairs during which he and Elsa renewed acquaintances with classmates and other old friends. He was always a faithful reporter of class activities and could be depended upon to pass along news items about classmates and their families.

Caesar Rodney Roberts will always be remembered as a faithful friend and classmate, devoted to his country and to the ideals of West Point.

—G.L.V.D.

ASSEMBLY

Wilfrid Mason Blunt

NO. 4996 CLASS OF 1911

Died 12 May 1967 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 78 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

WILFRID MASON BLUNT (BLUNTY) was born on 12 October 1888, at Fort Elliot, Texas, the son of Captain J.Y. Mason Blunt and Mary Ross Blunt. Wilfrid attended the Friends Select School in Washington when Thomas and Frances Sidwell were the principals. He also attended Western High School and the Army and Navy Preparatory School in Washington. At the Friends School he displayed an aptitude for drawing horses, cowboys, and soldiers, and his school books were embellished with attractive sketches. A friend of that period says that as far back as he can remember, Wilfrid cherished a great love of horses.

Blunty, as he was more widely known, entered and was graduated from the Academy with the Class of 1911. At West Point he showed originality when, as a Yearling, he saw from his 6th Div window a Plebe whom he had known in Washington and wished to recognize; he simply leaned out the window and whistled the Dupont Circle Gang tune, which was known to every boy who had ever lived in that section of Washington. But Blunty pursued his way peacefully through all the courses offered by the Academy with no special interest in any of them except equitation, which he thoroughly enjoyed, aiming as he always had at a career in the Cavalry. He was an "area bird" once, as a result of some slight offense, and was a "clean sleeve" all four years. Probably no other cadet ever spent his time at West Point with more equanimity.

Upon graduation Blunty was commissioned in the Cavalry and, together with several other worthies of 1911, was ordered to duty in the Philippines. There he mapped the areas around Tanay, Antipolo, and Santa Cruz. He also took part in resisting a bloody *hurmentado* attack on Tin Can Camp in Jolo, where nine or ten crazed Moros crawled through the seven-foot high, double-wire fence, killed several soldiers, and hamstringed many horses. The terrified horses, charging up and down the enclosure, caused about as much carnage as the Moros.

During his duty with troops, Blunty served in the following cavalry regiments: the 8th in the Philippines, the 11th and 23d at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, the 15th at Bordeaux, France, the 5th at Fort Clarke, Texas, the 14th at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and the 12th at Fort Bliss, Texas. He commanded the 12th when it was one of the four regiments of the 1st Cavalry Division.

In World War I he fought in France as a battalion commander in both the 80th and 4th Divisions. He was an instructor in the 62d Cavalry Division in Baltimore, and in the 51st Cavalry Brigade in New York, this latter unit including the famous Squadron "A" of the New York National Guard.

His detached service included tours as a student officer at the Cavalry School, the Command and General Staff School (distinguished graduate), the Chemical Warfare School, and the War College. He had tours of duty in the Historical Branch of the General Staff, the Chief of Cavalry's office, and on the Cavalry Board. In World War II he was Commanding Officer at Camp (now Fort) Carson, Colorado, then a training and

prisoner-of-war camp. He was awarded the Legion of Merit for his service there.

When he retired, as a colonel, in 1948, Wilfrid took positions first as director of maintenance at the Homeopathic Hospital and later as superintendent of construction with the Truden Company, both in Washington.

In 1923, in Burlington, Iowa, he was married to Elizabeth Pollard Fleming (Polly), the younger sister of his classmate, Phil Fleming.

In addition to being a soldier—and a good one—Blunty was a sportsman. He joined the Cavalry mostly because of his love of horses, but he was more than a horseman. He was also a horsemaster, for he knew about the raising and making of a horse from a foal, including feeding, watering, shoeing, and conditioning it. He had a notable eye for a good horse, and he had a theory that if a horse were slightly higher in the croup than in the withers it gave one an easier ride and was a better performer over varied terrain.

In the 1930's he was a member of the War Department Polo Club which played regularly against a Fort Myer team in Potomac



WILFRID MASON BLUNT

Park near the Lincoln Memorial; he also played polo in Baltimore. He showed his horses at Fort Sheridan, near Chicago, and in Madison Square Garden in New York. Mary, his oldest daughter, whom he had taught to ride, rode his horses in many of the classes.

For many years he was a member of Maryland's Potomac Hunt, of which he was Master of Foxhounds in 1932. There, he was responsible for the changeover from drag hunts to hunting live foxes. His wife, Polly, was not overly pleased when the first crate of foxes he had ordered was delivered to their house instead of to the kennels. He also belonged to the Green Spring Valley Hunt in Baltimore and the Arapaho Hunt in Denver. He frequently hunted with George Patton's Cobbler hounds and with Sterling Larrabee's Old Dominion pack. Blunty also enjoyed duck and goose shooting in season, and he wrote a pamphlet on how to raise and train puppies.

When he retired in 1948, having decided that maintaining horses would be too expensive, he chose to become a sailor. Methodically, he went about selecting and buying a small boat and learning how to take care of and sail it. Just as he had been a horsemaster, he now became a boatmaster.

He raced his boats on the Potomac, on

area rivers, and in Chesapeake Bay. With Polly as his mate and crew, Blunty sailed the eastern seaboard in his racing sloop and, later, in his cruising ketch, *High Time*. He and Polly made a three-day voyage on the Atlantic Ocean from Newport, Rhode Island, to Annapolis, Maryland, alternately standing the day and night watches. Polly's interest extended beyond her duties as Blunty's crew. She learned to swim, and she wrote an article for *Yachting* entitled, "I Learned to Sail at Sixty." Blunty also taught his two daughters, Ellen and Bethy, to sail. He was a member of the National Yacht Club and of the West River Sailing Club. He was also very knowledgeable about the economics of boating, for he managed each year to sell his boat at a profit thereby making it possible to buy a bigger and better one the following year. Beginning with *Mama's Mink*, he sailed for fifteen years at practically no cost.

Blunty was a man of character, and, as befitted his English ancestry, he was a deliberate thinker. When he was confronted with a problem he considered all aspects of it carefully before making a decision. And once he made up his mind, he stuck to his decision whether it was orthodox or not.

He liked tweedy clothes. And when the post commander at Fort Bliss authorized officers to wear civilian clothes on the post in the evening—provided they consisted of a blue jacket and white trousers—Blunty saw no reason why he should not brighten this costume with cavalry-yellow socks.

When he commanded the 12th Cavalry at Fort Bliss, he had no regular adjutant. He said he did not appoint one because the personnel adjutant could handle the administrative duties and the operations officer the tactical duties. He inaugurated a regimental program of Sunday morning horse shows for his officers and their dependents, and routinely, the show would be followed by a wee dock and dorris and a brunch. These shows not only improved the horsemanship of the officers and their ladies, they also promoted camaraderie. Blunty rode the forward seat, similar to that used by Italian officers at their school at Tor di Quinto in Italy, before this seat was adopted by our Cavalry School at Fort Riley. When he was a student at Riley, Blunty was said to have remarked that he was afraid the Cavalry School would spoil his seat.

Just as he ran a taut ship when he sailed, Blunty also ran a taut household. Polly and their three daughters each had a specified role in the running of the house, just as Blunty himself did. As proof of the success of his system, his wife loved and admired him, and his daughters loved him and addressed him as "Sir" as long as he lived. A life-long friend says that he never knew Blunty to perpetrate a mean or unkind act. He was an individualist, a fine cavalry officer, an avid sportsman, a loving husband and father, and a loyal friend.

As the spring of 1967 approached, Blunty felt that a short vacation in the south would do him good, so he and Polly set out on a vagabond trip to Florida. When they arrived there, however, Blunty felt so poorly that he decided they would have to return to Washington immediately. Since he did not want Polly to drive the car back alone while he flew, they drove home together. Exhausted, he entered the hospital on 18 March, but in spite of intensive care and treatment he gradually lost ground. On 12 May he died peacefully in his sleep.

Blunty lived a moderate life; no man could have taken better care of himself. He rode horseback, sailed, played golf, and worked

around his home in Bethesda. He built a recreation room in the basement of his home to include the installation of heat, light, and water, and when he wasn't working indoors, he was busy cutting grass, and transplanting small trees, and shrubs.

Wilfrid was buried on 15 May in Arlington Cemetery with his family around him. Monsignor Christopher conducted the requiem mass. Honorary pallbearers were Speck Wheeler, Bill Morris, and Karl Bradford of 1911, Sterling Larrabee of 1912, and Stuart Barden of 1919.

A great-grandson of Francis Scott Key, who wrote "The Star Spangled Banner," Wilfrid was a charter member of the society that bears the Key name. He also belonged to the Sons of the American Revolution and to the Army and Navy Club in Washington. In addition to the Legion of Merit, he was awarded six campaign and service medals.

Besides his wife, Polly, he is survived by three daughters: Mrs. Jack E. Henson of Sacramento, California, and Miss Ellen Blunt and Mrs. John T. Wainwright, both of Washington, and eight grandchildren.

—Karl S. Bradford

John Earle Lewis

NO. 5089 CLASS OF 1912

Died 5 July 1966 in Boulder, Colorado, aged 79 years.

Interment: Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colorado

JOHN E. (JACK) LEWIS PASSED AWAY ON 5 July 1966 after a long illness. In his later years he was hospitalized occasionally, but for the most part was confined to his own home where his wife and his nurses gave him superior care. A classmate who saw Jack often over the last eighteen years marveled at his keen memory, his lively interest in current affairs, and his enthusiasm as a conversationalist.

Jack Lewis came to West Point from Kansas. He was a solid sort, good-natured, and always seemed to take things in stride. He was somewhat older than most of us and enjoyed an advantage in having had prior military training at his state college. A down-to-earth type of person, Jack quickly understood what was expected of him, readily accepted his new role as a cadet, and was happy in his new surroundings. He was not



JOHN EARLE LEWIS

only a pleasant companion, but from the first he won the respect of his classmates in C Company, and the ties that he established during his cadet days grew even closer with the passing years.

It was not surprising that Jack would be a lover of horses and excel at horsemanship, for he had spent most of his early years on a western ranch. In the spring of our graduation year he organized a polo team of five classmates and soon thereafter arranged for a series of matches with several New Jersey polo clubs. The team played its first match at Rumson on the Saturday following graduation, a welcome change for the new lieutenants from the strict regimen of West Point.

Jack's first assignment was with the 10th Cavalry, then stationed at Fort Ethan Allen in Vermont, and his roommate, Thorne Deuel, joined him there.

In 1914 Jack was married at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, to Cornelia Byram, daughter of Major George L. Byram, USMA 1885, who had served with the 1st Cavalry and the Rough Riders in Cuba and had won the D.S.C. during the campaign there.

Two years later, in 1916, Jack Lewis was with the 10th Cavalry when that regiment was part of the Pershing Expedition on the Mexican border. During World War I he served in the Zone of Communications in France.

Jack had all the usual assignments with Cavalry and Artillery units at home and overseas in the years between the wars, and when the United States entered World War II he went to England as division artillery commander of the 30th Infantry Division. In time he was assigned to General J.C.H. Lee's staff as artillery officer, and in this capacity visited the major commands in Europe.

Jack left General Lee's staff to join the Control Council in London, an agency of the Army Ground Division and there was given the responsibility for writing the plans for the post-war demobilization of Germany. Subsequently, the Council was placed under the direct control of SHAEF and moved to Versailles, France. While still a member of the Council Jack was named as the U.S. Army representative to the group (Party OKW) that traveled to Flensburg, Germany, to accept the surrender of the German civil government from Admiral Doenitz. Later, when the Allied Control Council moved to Berlin, Jack served as first chairman of the combined Council during the first month that the Allies occupied Berlin.

Now a brigadier general, Jack Lewis received the Legion of Merit from General Eisenhower. The following is an extract from the accompanying citation:

"...for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services, as Acting Director, Army Ground Division, U.S. Group Control Council (Germany), from 18 August 1944 to 27 June 1945. Brig. Gen. Lewis, through his wide experience, outstanding leadership, and diligence in the performance of duty, was of greatest assistance to the U.S. Group Control Council (Germany) in connection with the planning and preparations for the military occupation of Germany, the general demilitarization of Germany, and the disarmament and demilitarization of the German Armed Forces and associated para-military organizations. Events following the collapse of the German military power proved the soundness of his policies."

When Jack returned to the States in the fall of 1945, he was commanding the 7th Armored Division en route to its station at Camp Polk, Louisiana. It was just at this time, however, that Jack became ill and was

sent to Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, Colorado. A year later, on 30 November 1946, he was retired for physical disability.

Among the service schools that Jack attended throughout his long career was the Army Industrial College where he graduated as the top man in his class. Eventually he was to serve a three-year tour at the Industrial College, the last year as commandant, the first line officer ever to hold that position.

Following his retirement Jack and Cornelia moved to the Boulder, Colorado, home that Cornelia had bought while Jack was in Europe. Soon Jack was actively involved in Veterans' and civic affairs, and in 1948 was elected as a director of the Community Hospital Association of Boulder. Five years later he was elected unanimously as vice president of the Association, and three years later became president—a total of ten years of service to this local group. In addition, he served as chairman of the Boulder County Planning Commission for four years, was president of the Kiwanis Club, served with the County Red Cross chapter, and was active in the West Point Society of Denver. The consensus of the many friends Jack made in Boulder is summed up in the comment made by one: "He loved to do things for people."

A division commander and close friend of Jack's wrote: "Jack Lewis was an 'up-and-coming' type of soldier who never failed to get the job done, come hell or high water. He was a credit to the Service in every duty he was ever called upon to perform."

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George Wessely Sliney

NO. 5133 CLASS OF 1913

Died 27 January 1966 in San Francisco, California, aged 76 years.

Interment: San Francisco National Cemetery, Presidio of San Francisco, California

GEORGE SLINEY, OR "GUS," as he was known to his classmates, was born on 11 March 1889 on his father's cattle ranch near Thermopolis, Wyoming. He was the son of an Irish, ex-cavalry, Indian fighter and his pioneering, Irish wife. His early schooling was in one-room ranch schools, a town school or two, St. John's Military Academy, Los Angeles High School, and the University of Wyoming. Gus entered West Point with the



GEORGE WESSELY SLINEY

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Class of 1913 and became captain of E Company during his first-class year.

At graduation he chose the Cavalry and was assigned to the 1st Cavalry, then stationed at the Presidio of San Francisco. Soon afterwards he met and courted Eleanor Deering Mathews, a daughter of the prominent San Francisco architect, Edgar A. Mathews. Gus and Eleanor were married in December of 1915 and soon found themselves on the Mexican border where Gus was involved in chasing Pancho Villa. Eleanor had to ride out with the troop because, close as they were to the border, it was thought that the wives would not be safe if they stayed in camp.

After border duty, Gus was assigned to West Point as a math instructor. His first son, Ted, was born there on "professors' row" in 1917. In 1918 he was ordered to duty with the general staff in Washington, D.C., and later to Camp Dix. The fact that he did not get overseas during World War I was always a source of disappointment to him. Later, during a two-year tour at Camp Stotsenburg in the Philippines, he and Eleanor and Ted took a still-remembered trip to Japan, China, and Hong Kong. After a short tour at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming, Gus transferred to the Field Artillery and was sent as a student to Fort Sill, Oklahoma. The mess hall was just across the street from their apartment, so Eleanor was able to use her kitchen as a studio, and young Ted used it as a playroom. Those student apartments were notoriously small. The following year at Leavenworth was equally cramped. Gus's room had Gettysburg maps mounted all over the wall, and Eleanor helped him tint the wooded sections with her water colors.

Gus stayed on as an instructor at the Command and General Staff School, and those four years represent a whole mosaic of memories: horseback rides, Sunday drives, picnics, hikes, shooting, hunting, and visits to Kansas City for a circus or a special movie. Son George was born at Leavenworth on a Thanksgiving Day.

Then came a year at the Army War College, followed by an assignment to the 11th Field Artillery at Schofield Barracks, a three-year tour. One of Gus's favorite pastimes there was riding along the Firebreak Trail with whichever member of the family was quick enough to claim our other horse. On the steeper parts of the trail he would caution: "If you fall off, be sure to fall off on the uphill side!"

Four years with the ROTC in the Los Angeles High Schools was pleasant duty, and Gus made many friends there. It was at this time that Ted entered West Point, an accomplishment which encouraged younger brother, George, to follow suit. Ted graduated with the Class of '41; George, with the Class of '46.

During the time that Gus was Chief of the Operations Division of the Artillery School at Fort Sill, he took his family on a memorable vacation to Mexico, Los Angeles, and San Francisco.

In late 1941, after a brief family reunion, we Slineys were spread all over the map: Gus was with the MacGruder Mission in Nanking, Eleanor was in Washington, Ted was in pilot training, and George was in prep school. Gus's regular letters to his family at this difficult time were both entertaining and full of encouragement.

After General Stilwell took over the Mission, Gus became his artillery officer. He made the walk out of Burma with Stilwell and remained with him as his chief of staff at U.S. Army Headquarters in New Delhi. Later, Gus organized and commanded the

artillery training center for the Chinese Army in Ramgarh. Many Chinese still think of Gus Sliney as the father of the Chinese Artillery.

In 1944 Gus was promoted to brigadier general and returned to Burma with General Stilwell to help re-open the Burma Road.

After the war Gus was back in the States for a short time during which he commanded Camp Gordon, Georgia, and the Presidio of San Francisco before returning to China as chief of staff of the Military Advisory Group under General Lucas. Son Ted was also on duty there, and father and son enjoyed many good times together. Gus returned to the Presidio in 1948 and was retired in 1951. In his retirement Gus worked first with the Civil Defense agency, but soon became interested in real estate work. Eleanor remarked one day, "You had better hours when you were on active duty!"

Son George was killed in a B-45 crash in July 1951, a crushing loss to both parents. Then they learned that Eleanor had lung cancer, but her courage and Gus's pulled them through several more years made happy by the three grandchildren in whom they took great pride. Gus and Eleanor were also active in two social groups in San Francisco: the China-Burma-India Veteran's Association and the China Tiffin Club, where they found great pleasure in the many congenial friends who were members.

Eleanor died at Letterman Hospital on 10 March 1959, leaving Gus in a vacuum that was only partially filled by Ted, the grandchildren, and his many friends.

Gus made two trips to Africa and one to Mexico on his own, taking color pictures and working up illustrated lectures for future presentation to his friends and to Ted's grade-school classes.

Gus died one evening on his way home from a dinner with the China Tiffin Club. He was driving his car at the time and was suddenly stricken with a heart attack. Only the quick action of his brother-in-law, Fred Holdrege, managed to bring the car to a safe stop. Gus's beloved sister, Mae, was with them in the car at the time.

Funeral services at the post chapel were followed by burial in the National Cemetery at the Presidio of San Francisco. Gus lies alongside his son George and his wife Eleanor. The chapel was filled with friends spanning all of Gus's life. We will always miss him. Like his father, he was ready when his time came.

-E.M.S.

William Cooper Foote

NO. 5163 CLASS OF 1913

Died 14 January 1967 in Washington, D.C.,
aged 75 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery,
Arlington, Virginia

WILLIAM COOPER FOOTE, "Cooper" to his friends, was born at Madison Barracks, New York, on 10 January 1892. The son and grandson of distinguished Army officers, he came by his love for the Army naturally. His grandfather was Dr. Lyman Foote, whose rank as a Surgeon in the Army dated from 1831. His father, Morris C. Foote, began his military career in 1861 when he was 18, as a soldier in the 44th New York Infantry. He fought through many engagements in the Civil War and received his commission in 1866. He was to serve 40 years in the Army, service that included campaigns against the Indians, the



WILLIAM COOPER FOOTE

Boxer Rebellion, the Battle of San Juan Hill, and duty in Alaska and the Philippines. He retired as a brigadier general for physical disability, after which he and his wife settled in France. The choice was a fortunate one for Cooper, for it led to two years of schooling in Switzerland for himself and his brother and a fluency in French that served him in good stead later when he became a cadet.

Cooper entered West Point in 1909 on an appointment from President Theodore Roosevelt. The rumor going the rounds when the Class graduated in 1913 was that those assigned to the Coast Artillery had a good chance of being promoted ahead of classmates assigned to other branches. Acting on this rumor, Cooper and seventeen classmates chose the Coast Artillery and proceeded to Fort Monroe, Virginia. There they were given a special course for new lieutenants known colloquially as the "incubator course," so called because competent Artillery officers were supposed to be "hatched" out of it. It was a gay life at Fort Monroe in those days with all the social activity centering around the old Chamberlin Hotel and the famous officers' Casement Club.

For the next three years Cooper had the usual assignments of a Coast Artillery officer, but in July 1917 he was back at Fort Monroe as an instructor and as editor of the *Artillery Journal* at the Coast Artillery School. This tour lasted until 1920 when he was sent to Columbia University where he served for three years as PMS&T.

In 1924 Cooper and A.B. Johnson sailed for Hawaii where Cooper was assigned, first as battalion commander of the 64th C.A.C., and later in the G3 section at Headquarters, Hawaiian Department, Fort Shafter. According to A.B., he and Cooper, "being the gay bachelors, kept the dance floor at the Moana Hotel busy."

Cooper returned from Hawaii to attend the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and upon graduation, he was reassigned as an instructor at the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe.

On 8 September 1934, Cooper and Harriet S. Todd, daughter of Major General Henry D. Todd (USMA 1890) were married in the chapel at the Army War College, Washington, D.C. After a month's leave, the newlyweds sailed for Fort Amador, Panama Canal Zone, where, for the next two years, Cooper served with the 4th Coast Artillery (Anti-aircraft), and then as adjutant for the com-

manding general of the Pacific Sector, Panama Canal Department.

His next assignment took the Footes to Fort H. G. Wright, New York, where Cooper served as executive officer, then commanding officer of the harbor defenses of Long Island Sound. In 1940 he graduated from the Army War College and was assigned to the staff of Second Army.

From August 1941 to 1943 Cooper was Commanding Officer, Harbor Defenses, Trinidad Base Command, British West Indies. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in 1941, had turned over to the British 50 U. S. destroyers, and the British had turned over to the United States several naval bases including the one at Trinidad. Colonel Frederick B. Wiener, the Judge Advocate General at Trinidad in those years, has written this tribute to Cooper:

"Cooper Foote's passing in January terminated an unbroken friendship that began 25 years ago when he disembarked from a transport at the King's Wharf, Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, to join the Trinidad Base Command as Artillery Officer. He was CO of the post of Port-of-Spain in charge of keeping in order the administrative and logistical affairs of what had become the Trinidad Sector and Base Command, with satellite bases in Dutch Guiana, British Guiana, St. Lucia, Curaçao, and Aruba. He was a most conscientious president of the OCS Board. Only a month before his death, I was told by a former member of the unit on Chacachacare how Colonel Foote had quizzed him on his mathematical capabilities before certifying him for C.A.C. OCS.

"After the war, I saw Cooper Foote when he served as chairman of the Discharge Review Board, and I recall vividly how, on the basis of examining literally thousands of cases, he had unerringly put his finger on the precise failure in the administrative process that had spawned most of the applications for review.

"As the years pursue their inexorable gallop, surely the saddest feature that they bring is the loneliness that comes when old comrades are no longer present to hear the news or to linger over the past. How I would have liked to tell Cooper Foote about the warmth with which his professional qualities had been remembered in a little rural county seat in North Carolina. Alas, it was not to be. But I shall always cherish my friendship with him, recalling a warm human being who exemplified in word and deed every enduring military virtue. This world without him has indeed become a lonelier place."

It was while Cooper was stationed in Washington that his son Morris Cooper Foote was born on 16 May 1944. Morris graduated from Annapolis in the Class of 1966 and has the distinction of being the last of the 1913 sons to graduate from a Service Academy. A month before graduation, Cooper, with Joe Viner and several others from the Class of 1913, USNA, including Paul Sleeper and four-star Admiral Jim Hall, went to Annapolis to present Morris with a beautiful silver tray, a gift from the Class of 1913 USMA.

Only a short time after Morris was born, Cooper was ordered to the Philippines, where he spent two years at Base "M" in San Fernando La Union. As Commanding Officer there, he eventually saw to the closing of the base, and in 1947 returned to the United States. During the next two years he served in several capacities in and around Washington, D.C., and from August 1949 to 1952 he was President, Army Discharge Review Board, Review Board Council, Office of the Secretary of the Army. He was retired for physical disability on 31 January 1952.

After retirement, Cooper became secretary

of the American Military Institute, a position he held from 1953 to 1959. When he resigned he was given a standing ovation, made a life member, elected assistant editor and member of the editorial board of the magazine, *Military Affairs*. In 1963 he became a vice president of the Association of Graduates, USMA. He also served as class secretary and was responsible for getting out the wonderful annual Christmas Letter which did so much to hold the Class together. When class president Doug Greene died, Cooper was unanimously elected to succeed him.

Cooper's passing has left a void, not only for Harriet and their son Morris, but for all his classmates and his many friends who honor him. He will always be remembered for his friendly disposition, his keen sense of humor, and his lively interest in all those around him. We who knew him and loved him can only add that we have lost a loyal friend, a good soldier, and a devoted husband and father. We can pay him no finer tribute than, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

—H.C.D. and H.T.F.

James Brown Gillespie

NO. 5192 CLASS OF 1913

Died 8 January 1967 in Anderson, South Carolina, aged 78 years.

Interment: Old Stone Church Cemetery, Clemson, South Carolina

FOOTBALL PLAYER (four years), hockey player (two years), lacrosse player (two years), fencer (three years), Jim Gillespie was one of the most outstanding athletes in our Class.

Jim came to the Academy from Princeton, Missouri, a tall, lean, eager boy with a determination to succeed as a cadet. We who knew him well—played on teams with him—loved and admired his ambition to excel. He would eventually hold more athletic jobs than anyone else in the Class.

Early in his cadet days Jim came under the spell of the lovely and charming Henrietta Vanderwater of Fishkill, New York, a really exciting situation that all of us were aware of. Thereafter Henrietta was Jim's constant companion for the remainder of his time as a cadet, and the two were married on 25 February 1914.

After graduation, Jim was ordered to the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe where he became a member of the 168th Company.



JAMES BROWN GILLESPIE

Before the outbreak of World War I Jim was assigned briefly to the Coast Defense, Cape Fear, North Carolina; Fort Michie, New York; Fort Washington, Maryland; and, in April 1917 he was detailed as assistant inspector of the New Jersey National Guard.

When the United States entered the war, Jim was ordered to Fort Eustis to join the 37th Artillery and was on the way to France with that unit only to be halted at the port of embarkation. The war had ended before the 37th was due to sail. Shortly afterwards Jim was ordered back to Fort Monroe for duty with the Heavy Artillery School.

After Monroe came a short tour as Ordnance and Engineer Officer at Fort Hancock, then, in 1920, orders for Fort Sherman in Panama where he would be Ordnance and Signal Officer. As a result of his tour in Panama, Jim became interested in Ordnance and asked for a transfer to Raritan Arsenal. Subsequently he was to serve at the Springfield Army, the Army Industrial College, and the Baltimore District where he was in the Ordnance Procurement Office.

In 1938, after 25 years of service, Jim's request for retirement was approved. During World War II, however, he was back on active duty and was assigned to the Historical Section of the War College from 1940 to 1946.

It was while he was serving at Fort Washington that Jim became interested in a farm that was located nearby, a piece of property that he eventually bought, and he and Henrietta made their home there for many years. There were many occasions when we classmates enjoyed their hospitality at this historic and lovely spot. In 1961 the Gillespies sold this beautiful home and moved to Clemson, South Carolina, where they lived in the Clemson House.

Jim and Henrietta were not only enthusiastic followers of the Academy's athletic teams, but they gave tangible support in the form of generous donations. Two awards, to the captain of the track team, and to each year's most valuable football player, are evidence of the Gillespie largesse and stand as permanent memorials to Jim. Another Gillespie gift provided for the enlargement of the home team dressing room at Michie Stadium.

To all in the Class of 1913, Jim Gillespie was a special classmate. He leaves behind in our hearts more love, respect, and admiration than words can convey. Sadly we say *adieu* to this loyal and honored friend.

Jim is survived by Henrietta who has chosen to relocate in Washington where she can be closer to her and Jim's many friends.

—A Classmate

John Prince Markoe

NO. 5292 CLASS OF 1914

Died 26 July 1967 in Omaha, Nebraska, aged 76 years.

Interment: Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Omaha, Nebraska

JOHN PRINCE MARKOE and a prince, indeed, he was. Handsome as a Greek god, stalwart, and athletic, he was frequently mentioned as all-America left end. Kind, modest almost to the limit of shyness, reserved, clean in word and thought, he was stirred by the highest ideals. To him the words of our motto, "Duty, Honor, Country," were, in truth, hallowed—the spirit of West Point that he fervently sought to follow in guiding his life. Our class HOWITZER struck the right chord in saying,

"In the nobility of manhood he stands out as a true and loyal prince."

Surprisingly, these virtues were strikingly emphasized, and later further developed, by his one weakness—a craving and an utter lack of tolerance for alcohol. In his early cadet days he would go "off limits," drink, no matter how little, and return to barracks a madman, wanting only to smash and to roar. Each time it took six of his classmates to quell him to the verge of exhaustion. Finally, his uncontrolled violence alarmed the Officer in Charge. Placed in arrest, John's whole career, as a cadet and as an officer, hung in the balance, for drinking had invariably been a dismissal offense. But the Superintendent, General Barry, considered him too fine a man to discharge summarily. Instead, he directed our Class to assemble in the gymnasium and, with John standing beside him on the balcony, and his adjutant, Captain Davis, guarding the locked entrance doors below, he offered John clemency if we would swear, on our honor, to report him if, as a cadet, he ever so offended again.

The Supe opened the session impressively with: "I have the age. I have the rank. And I have the experience. Do you hear me, Davis?" "Yes, sir; yes, sir," replied Davis. Thereafter, we referred to Barry as "The Holy Trinity," little dreaming that John would soon serve the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost for the rest of his life.

After graduation John joined the 10th Cavalry at Fort Huachuca and at Naco, Arizona. But within months he had imbibed, been court-martialed, and was dismissed from the Service on 10 March 1915.

Until this, the last year of his life, he carried the feeling of guilt that he had disgraced his Class. However, his classmates, to the man, always held that his was a physical illness and not a failure of character. For example, in reporting on our 10th Reunion in 1924, a classmate wrote: "We were not only sentimentally inclined, but the presence of John Markoe seemed to react so strongly on our wells of affection for him, and sympathetically for each other, that few, if any of us, will remember that evening without a warm glow." The Class sent John an ordination gift in 1928. He was welcomed again, with open arms, at our 40th and 50th Reunions. General Eisenhower, a good friend, although not a classmate, sought earnestly to have him as Chief Chaplain in Europe during World War II, but his superiors in the Jesuit order would not release him. General Spaatz, a classmate, made an affectionate compact with him: if John would pray for the two of them, he, Spaatz, would drink for both of them. At his death, General Jens Doe mournfully said, "He was one of the finest men I ever knew." And to that tribute we all whisper "Amen."

But, nevertheless, his feeling of unworthiness found frequent expression over the years. After having served on the Mexican border from 1915-1917 with the Minnesota National Guard, he sent a letter to the Adjutant at West Point, citing his record of honorable service and adding: "It occurred to me that it might help to brighten up my military record somewhat, and thus reflect greater credit on the Academy than that record does as it stands at present." In thanking Cress, our class president, for our ordination gift, John replied, "I feel altogether unworthy, Jim, of the 'friendship, respect and affection' of the Class that you say this gift represents. Long ago I felt I had forfeited all claims to any such feelings on their part. Every morning since my ordination I have remembered my classmates in my prayers and will continue

to do so as long as I live. This is the most and the least I can do in return for their loyalty to me." Again, 39 years later, in announcing his Golden Jubilee in the Society of Jesus in February 1967, he voiced the hope that his classmates would consider his long service to the church as expiation for his early disservice to them. On that occasion he wrote to us:

Members of the Class of 1914, USMA:

It is my earnest desire to share with all of you, including the widows of our deceased classmates, the joy and the happiness that fills my heart on the occasion of celebrating my Golden Jubilee as a member of the Society of Jesus.

It is my earnest hope that these 50 years of service in the Army of Christ may compensate in a small way for my failure in the Army of our country.

May the blessing, grace, and mercy of God be with us all to insure our presence at our final, eternal reunion and roll call with Him in Heaven.

Thus, the desire to atone was possibly the strongest motivating force of John Markoe's



JOHN PRINCE MARKOE

life. His objective was ever redemption. In striving for it he would in memory return to West Point. There, with a poetry in his soul, like MacArthur's "he would listen vainly for the witching melody of faint bugles blowing reveille, of far drums beating the long roll," and always there would "echo and reecho: Duty - Honor - Country."

After his short service as an officer in the Regular Army, John enlisted and was later commissioned in the Minnesota National Guard. On 9 February 1917 he was honorably discharged in the grade of captain (until his death his Jesuit brothers affectionately called him "Cap"). Three days later he entered the Jesuits' St. Stanislaus Seminary at Florissant, Missouri, as a novice. It seemed quite natural to us that, with his military background, John would wish to ally himself with an Order that had been organized by a soldier who had also suffered wounds.

After eleven years of preparation at St. Stanislaus, the University of Detroit, and St. Louis University he was ordained to the holy priesthood at St. Francis Xavier's Church in St. Louis on 27 June 1928. Later he would serve as a teacher of astronomy, mathematics, and philosophy on the faculties of Creighton University in Omaha, Marquette University

in Milwaukee, St. Louis University, and Regis College in Denver.

It was his parish work, however, that led him to become a pioneer leader in the battle for civil rights for Negroes. In this connection he wrote:

When World War II engulfed us I was stationed at St. Joseph's Hill Infirmary, a home for incurable male patients, as chaplain. I immediately volunteered for a chaplaincy in the Army but was told by my superiors to remain at my post. I was transferred in the summer of 1943 to St. Malachy's Church in St. Louis in the heart of the Negro district. Here I was very active in the interracial field, was a member of the St. Louis Race Relations Commission and chairman of the housing and living conditions committee. I was instrumental in opening St. Louis University to Negro students."

As evidence of his continuing interest in the civil rights movement we have:

In the summer of 1946 I was transferred to Creighton University where I teach philosophy and mathematics, with interracial work as my hobby.

It was for this labor, in the field of race relations, originally frowned on by his superiors, that he was, in the end, chiefly honored. At his Golden Jubilee dinner at Creighton University in Omaha on 16 February 1967, Auxiliary Bishop Harold R. Perry of New Orleans (the only Negro Catholic bishop in the U.S.) was the principal speaker. To the large audience that included many Negroes, Bishop Perry said of Father Markoe:

He was the leader and the crusader and the achiever regarding his spreading of that simple, yet transcendent doctrine of the God-given dignity of each individual human being. His has been leadership in the dignified, old-fashioned meaning, striving majestically forward, certainly and determinedly moving into the forefront—resolute, unafraid, unselfish because of absolute conviction, complete dedication, and deep personal appreciation of the great need of his fellow man.

The dynamic professor was, according to Bishop Perry, far ahead of his time in his insistence on the moral evil of racial discrimination. Another speaker at that same dinner, Archbishop Gerald T. Bergan of Omaha, cited Father Markoe as "a pioneer who was 25 years ahead of all the rest of us."

After his death which followed his Golden Jubilee by less than six months an Omaha newspaper sang his praises:

Omaha's most courageous priest is dead. The man who walked where Christ himself would walk if He came today will walk no more on North 24th St. No more shall we behold his friendly countenance. No more shall we shake his manly hand. No more shall we see the distinctive head of hair whitened by anguish as well as by years.

Father John Markoe taught Catholic Omahans the evil of racial injustice. He was often called the Father of the "sit in." But he did more than sit. Those who knew him best knew him mainly as a walker. Rather than to sit around wringing his hands and deploring riots, Father Markoe went to the place where riots are bred. He walked among the poor, the addicts,

the sinners. He knew them and they knew him, as a man of virtue, a man of God, a man of action. He taught the whites the terrible evil of racism. He taught the Negroes to maintain their courage, their sense of humor, their hope for a better tomorrow. White and black alike were taught much, and both lived holier and happier lives for having known him.

His memory lives on at Creighton University in a Father Markoe Scholarship Fund, and in Omaha in a large dwelling, called The Markoe House, sheltering nine Jesuits carrying on John's work among the poor.

John Markoe was born in St. Paul to Dr. James C. Markoe and Mary Prince Markoe. There were five sons: James, William, John, Francis, and Robert, and two daughters: Marie and Margaret. William, also a Jesuit priest at Marquette University, celebrated his Jubilee three years before John had his. Both of John's sisters, Sister Mary Joseph, V.H.M., and Sister Anne Marie, V.H.M., are nuns in the Visitation Convent in St. Louis. One is a Jubilarian and the other approaches her title to that honor. In one generation this family has given 200 years of service to the Catholic Church. James, a kindly philosopher, is a bachelor living in St. Paul, and Francis, a USMA graduate of April 1917, is a retired colonel. Robert died at the age of 44. Significantly, Francis has the same number of children as his parents had, seven sons—a second generation of Markoes having the same potential for dedicated service. A truly remarkable family.

So ended the life of one gifted beyond others, who, believing that he had sinned, redeemed himself by living the life of a saint to the point of exaltation. Appropriately he was given a military funeral. An officer was present and draped a flag over his coffin. A squad fired the volleys. A bugler sounded Taps.

The Class of 1914 choruses: "Well done! Be thou at peace."

—C.P.G. '14

Laurence Bascum Meacham

NO. 5670 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 24 September 1966 in Havre de Grace, Maryland, aged 72 years.

Interment: Harford Memorial Cemetery, Aldino, Maryland



LAURENCE BASCUM MEACHAM

LAURENCE BASCUM MEACHAM was born on 14 February 1894 at Fort Worth, Texas, but he grew up in Oklahoma and received his appointment from there. He entered the Academy on 14 June 1913.

Meach played varsity football all four years that he was at West Point, and, as one of the foremost players in the country, he was instrumental in insuring that Navy did not win any of its games against ARMY during that time. Meach also excelled in polo and his interest in this sport led to his choice of the Cavalry for his branch upon graduation. He was a cadet captain and also served as an official in the Y.M.C.A.

One of the truly fortunate things for Meach was the fact that Vassar was located so close to West Point, for it was there that he found Adele Campbell, one of the most gracious ladies ever to join the ranks. The two were married on 24 May 1919. Their one son, Dr. Gordon C. Meacham, father of five, lives in Cleveland, Ohio; their one daughter, Mrs. Laura Wilson, mother of four, lives in Brooklandville, Md.

Meach served in France during World War I, and after returning to the States was assigned first as assistant PMS&T at Harvard, and later as a tactical officer at West Point. On 13 December 1919, Meach resigned his commission and acquired controlling interest in the Steel and Tin Products Company of Baltimore, manufacturer of containers for the Maryland seafood industry.

In 1942 Meach returned to the Service and was sent to England at the time when the Allied Force Headquarters was just being established. There his training and experience in civilian life as well as his friendly, outgoing disposition were a great boon to him throughout the planning phase for Operation TORCH, the campaign that was to be mounted in North Africa.

Early in the campaign, which was under the command of General Mark Clark, Meach had a major role in setting up the advanced echelon of AFHQ. These were unusually trying times due to the continually fluctuating political and military situation, and the demand for alertness and courage was heavy on Meach, one of General Clark's closest aides.

Later, as the planning progressed for Operation OVERLORD, the cross-channel invasion of the continent, many of the key officers in North Africa were recalled to England. Included among them was Meach, who was charged with the planning for and scheduling of service units into the Theatre.

In February 1945 Meach returned to the States and five months later was released from active duty. He was awarded the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit for his services overseas.

Back in civilian life, Meach injected new life into his container manufacturing business which was soon producing a wide variety of containers and cans. Not a little of his success could be attributed to the excellent employee relationships he established.

Meach was also a gentleman farmer and had considerable success raising hereford cattle in his adopted Harford County.

Eventually, with his business enterprises flourishing, Meach was able to find time to participate in the social life of Baltimore, and he was a regular and generous contributor to local charities.

In September 1966 Meach suffered a heart attack at home, was hospitalized, and after lingering for one week, he died at Harford Memorial Hospital. Burial services were conducted by the Reverend Donald W. Gross of the Grace Memorial Episcopal Church of Darlington on 26 September.

Meach led the full life—he was a successful businessman, and he raised a splendid family. Adele plans to live in her own house on her daughter's estate in Brooklandville.

—W.R.S.

Francis Porter Simpson

NO. 5861 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 19 January 1967 in Glen Ellen, California, aged 72 years.

Interment: Sonoma Valley Mountain Cemetery, Sonoma, California

LT. COLONEL FRANCIS PORTER SIMPSON was born on 21 March 1894, in Missoula, Montana. His father and mother came originally from Missouri and homesteaded in the beautiful Bitterroot Valley soon after the Nez Perce Indian uprising. His classmates, who soon gave him the affectionate nickname of "Simp," recall how he loved the magnificent vistas of the valley and how he never tired of talking about it and the ranch where he grew up. Indeed, two classmates, Freddie Tibbetts and "Windy" Bertholet, joined him during the prized yearling leave on the 1,000-acre cattle ranch, and returned with warm memories of days of fishing, hunting, "monkey riding" cow ponies, and trying to ride wild steers.

He was a true product of the Old West, even to his schooling, through his first eight grades, in a one-room schoolhouse. He then went on to graduate from Missoula High School and to attend George Washington University. It was at the end of his freshman year at the University that he was able to fulfill a life-long ambition. Through Senator Myers of Montana, he was given an interview with Secretary of War Garrison, who, after appraising his qualities and potential, immediately gave him a principal appointment to the Academy.

At the Academy he had ample opportunity to develop his marksmanship and his proficiency with horses to a high degree. He became a sergeant in A Company, but was unable to go into the Cavalry upon graduation because of his class standing, a disappointment to him at the time. Instead, he joined the 64th Infantry at Fort Bliss and remained with that regiment when it went to France. Before the Armistice the regiment managed to get in a training period, a tour in a quiet sector of the Vosges, and then combat service in one of the hottest spots of the Second Army



FRANCIS PORTER SIMPSON

ASSEMBLY

front, the "Bill Jones" position of the Saint Mihiel sector.

In the years after the war, "Jack," although enjoying some very rewarding and pleasant tours of duty in Hawaii and in the States, did find himself in some other "hot spots" occasionally: strike duty in Montana and Wyoming, the Bonus Riot, and a participating role in the recapture, at gun point, of six escaped general prisoners, according to one of the many commendations accumulated over his all-too-brief military career. He was qualified as expert with all Infantry weapons and took justifiable pride in his participation in the accomplishments of many area rifle and pistol championship teams. It was, perhaps, his greatest pleasure to recall the years he commanded an outstanding company of the 38th and another in the 27th, the latter, Company L, winning the "E" pennant for general excellence—more than the total of all the other companies combined. The memories and the lasting friendships that he formed in his Army career were a great source of satisfaction to him.

In 1934, gradually increasing physical disabilities caused by the war, brought on, to his great disappointment, his retirement. He worked for the Johns Manville Company in Bridgeport, Connecticut, until 4 September 1940, when he volunteered for active service in training troops. He was first appointed as assistant PMS&T at the University of Vermont, and eventually commanded over three thousand trainees and students. While there, the University literally showered him with honors. At the completion of this active duty tour in 1944, he elected to remain in Burlington, where the University was located. In 1948, Jack retired from the Reserves and somewhat later decided to leave the banking work he was doing and move to California. There he studied and became qualified as a real estate broker, a profession he followed at Laguna Beach for over ten years.

Steadily failing health forced him to give up his business and to move, in 1962, to Glen Ellen, California, where his brother and one of his sons lived. In spite of increasing poor health he was able to enjoy life practically until the end, when, on 19 January 1967, death came mercifully quickly to him in the form of a sudden heart attack.

Although his business and his activities in civil life were very rewarding to him, those closest to him know that he was proudest of all to be a part of that distinguished "Long Gray Line."

Jack is survived by Mary Vick MacLane, whom he married in 1928 while he was stationed in Salt Lake City, and their two sons, John MacLane and William Bovard. His classmates join them in love and pride for the fine man who has passed from our lives.

James Milligan Gillespie

NO. 5935 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 27 September 1965 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 70 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

JIM GILLESPIE REPORTED to West Point from Maryland's 3d Congressional District on 15 June 1915. Born in Baltimore on 8 August 1895, and a graduate of the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, he was well-grounded in mathematics and had a natural aptitude and fondness for all phases of engineering and scientific subjects. He took pride in winning his appointment and in becoming a member of the Corps of Cadets and the United States

Army. His intense interest in science and technology provided for him a firm foundation upon which he built a progressively distinguished career as an aeronautical engineer and an Air Force officer in the service of his country.

Jim received an early introduction to the use of mechanical equipment and developed a clear understanding of its industrial and practical importance. His father pioneered in replacing hand labor with mechanical tools on his farm near Lancaster, South Carolina, and Jim grew up surrounded by mechanical devices in constant need of maintenance. Jim's ability to operate and repair anything that had moving parts was exceeded only by his interest in how such mechanisms were designed and how they could be improved. He enjoyed working with his hands, and his inquisitive mind sought to learn the principles of engineering design and their application. He was a born engineer.

Jim was a good student, and his ability freed him from the academic worry experienced by many of his classmates. Jim's keen sense of humor, combined with the light-



JAMES MILLIGAN GILLESPIE

heartedness of Royal Machle, his roommate of four years, allowed them both to enjoy fully the best of cadet life. Jim missed few cadet hops, and enjoyed interesting company and conversation. His timely participation in practical jokes helped break the monotony of dull winter days or the tedium of infantry drill or parade. In the classroom his day was complete if he could call attention to some minor error in the textbook or take issue with some point the instructor had just made. He was always fair, however, in any criticism he made, and was always careful to avoid hurting anyone with his fun-generating diversions.

His military bearing was always proper, his appearance faultless, and his self-discipline so strict that he rarely received demerits. Because he was too wise to be trapped into any serious difficulties, he spent little of his valuable time walking the Arca. His usual comment following any near miss which might have led to trouble, "I guess we must have fooled them," was typical of his outlook.

On graduation day it is not surprising that Jim's first choice for assignment was the Coast Artillery, where he was to encounter a wealth of complicated matériel and fire control equipment. The intricacies and design problems incident to firing and maintaining the Coast's weapons also offered con-

stant challenge to his mathematical capabilities.

Shortly after completing his initial branch training at the Coast Artillery School, Jim was sent to France, one of the first of his Class to receive an overseas assignment. After brief service in France and in Germany he volunteered for duty as a member of the American Military Mission in Poland, where, subsequently, he was decorated for his service by the premier of Poland.

Seizing each new opportunity, Jim assimilated a rich fund of knowledge from allied military and scientific technology throughout the course of his European travels. He also worked diligently to become proficient in French and German. Upon his return from Europe, Jim transferred to the Ordnance Department and subsequently graduated from the Ordnance School at Watertown Arsenal in June 1921.

Jim now turned definitely toward a career devoted to the design, development, and production of military equipment. In the summer of 1921 he reported as Ordnance Officer to Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, for duty with the Army Air Corps. It was another golden opportunity, and Jim made the most of it by prevailing on his flying-instructor friends to give him the lessons he needed to learn how to fly. He then applied for transfer and was accepted as a student officer in the regular courses at the basic and advanced flying schools. Upon completion of these courses, he was selected as a flying instructor and remained at Kelly Field in that capacity until 1927.

While in Texas he expanded his already wide range of interests to include the serious study of Spanish. This new interest made it possible for Jim to become better acquainted with Latin-American officers then receiving flying instruction at the air base. Many of these officers, who remained Jim's life-long friends, rose to senior rank and prominence in the flying services of their respective countries. In July 1933, Jim received his long awaited promotion to the rank of captain in the U.S. Army Air Service.

At his class party on graduation from the advanced flying school, Jim met the attractive Miss Juanita Baskin whose family had resided in San Antonio for many years. Jim and Juanita were married on 15 October 1927, and soon thereafter departed San Antonio for Havana, Cuba, where Jim was detailed as an instructor with the Cuban Air Force. During this assignment he was able to become fluent in Spanish and to continue his close association with the affairs of our Latin-American neighbors throughout Central and South America.

After service in Cuba, Jim spent the next several years at the Air Force technical and tactical schools. He graduated from the engineering school at Wright Field in 1933 and the tactical school at Maxwell Field in 1937. His assignment to research and development work in several laboratories and test facilities at Wright Field served to qualify him for future aeronautical engineering assignments of extreme importance during World War II.

The three years immediately preceding the war, however, found Jim back in Latin America as deputy chief of the U.S. Aviation Commission for the Argentine Air Force. It was a delicate assignment for the U.S. air officers since this was the first non-German military mission to the Argentine Army and Air Force in some thirty years. During these three years Jim flew many hours over the South American continent, attending several conferences and official gatherings and be-

coming acquainted with prominent personalities in both government and military circles. His fluency in Spanish and broad knowledge of Latin America contributed greatly to the success of the Commission. Jim and his family thoroughly enjoyed this assignment, once again making many friends among our Latin American neighbors.

When the Gillespies returned to the United States in June 1941, America's munitions and aircraft plants were being rushed from peacetime to wartime production programs designed to meet our lend-lease commitments and to provide new aircraft and weapons for our own armed forces. Jim returned to Wright Field, this time as a lieutenant colonel, for duty with the Air Materiel Command. He served in key engineering and test assignments before being appointed deputy to the commanding general with the rank of colonel in January of 1942.

Except for brief intervals of detached service with the Ministry of Air Production in Great Britain, Jim remained at Wright Field during the entire World War II period. His highly specialized training and technical knowledge in the design, testing, and production of aircraft engines made it virtually impossible to release him for any other type of work. His hours were long, his responsibilities heavy, and the extent of his personal contributions to the war effort can perhaps be measured only by our overall success in the air on all fronts. Two grateful governments recognized his achievements by awarding him the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Order of the British Empire.

Following a short post-war tour of duty at McClellan Field in California, Jim was again assigned to Wright Field, this time to head the All-Weather Flight Division, where new concepts and instrumentation incident to blind flying were of highest priority. While preparatory work in this field had been started during the war years and earlier, the sophistication required for all-weather intercontinental flights demanded advanced technological knowledge and equipment. In the fall of 1947, an Air Force C-54, christened the *Robert E. Lee*, and equipped with fully automatic controls and navigational equipment, took off from Stephenville, Newfoundland, and landed safely at "Field X" in England. With Col. James M. Gillespie in command of a crew of eleven specially trained officers and flight technicians, this aircraft flew a predetermined trans-Atlantic course without a single hand touching its controls. As chief of the All-Weather Flight Division at Wright Field, it was Jim's responsibility to plan, organize, and command this history-making flight. Concerning the successful accomplishment of this important and hazardous mission, Jim remarked modestly: "It takes a lot of faith in the equipment to sit back while unseen hands send you speeding down a runway, lift you into the air, and guide you 2,000 miles to a safe landing at a strange airport on the other side of the ocean." There were tense moments during the flight, as Jim later reported, but as the return trip proved, the success of the flight resulted from the skillful use of well designed and thoroughly tested equipment. Jim was awarded his second Distinguished Flying Cross as recognition for his contribution to the success of the mission.

In June 1948, at his own request, after thirty years commissioned service in the Army and the Air Force, Jim retired from active duty. He soon found new horizons and new challenges in the civilian world. As a consulting engineer and foreign representative for an American manufacturer of air-

craft equipment, he spent the next few years in Europe and on the West Coast. Again, his proficiency in foreign languages contributed greatly to his marked success.

His work and his travels abroad gave Jim great personal satisfaction. In time, however, his doctor advised him to curtail his far-ranging activities. While the advice was accepted, the idea of complete retirement was not.

Throughout his military service Jim was aware of the ever-increasing need for good engineers who, in reality, might be considered a national defense resource. He also realized fully that the country had a growing need for more and more mathematicians. With this in mind he accepted as an entirely new challenge an appointment at St. Mary's University in San Antonio as an instructor in mathematics. He considered this appointment more of a duty and an obligation than a means of gainful employment. His competence as an instructor was immediately evident, and he derived immense personal satisfaction from his daily contact with his students. Through his encouragement, and his demands for high standards, many of his students, who might otherwise not have done so, went on to advanced studies in engineering.

Jim Gillespie chose to follow the strict military precept of never losing sight of his objective, whether it was self-imposed or dictated by higher authority. He gained his objectives through intelligent planning and diligent effort. He sought neither notoriety nor personal acclaim. He enjoyed a rare sense of humor, always sensing the appropriate time for levity and knowing the manner in which it should be delivered. His faith in himself and in his own ability to get things done carried him a long way. Always a man who gave his best, Jim was unable to conceal his disappointment in others who failed to do the same. The sense of deep satisfaction that comes with any worthwhile accomplishment was, to Jim Gillespie, the greatest reward for any challenge.

Jim's terminal illness was of short duration. He died on 27 September 1965, at the Baptist Memorial Hospital in San Antonio, where he had been taken a week earlier following a sudden heart attack. He is survived by his devoted wife, Juanita, who resides at 514 Northridge Drive, San Antonio, Texas; his son, James Reese Gillespie; and two grandsons and a granddaughter, all of whom reside in San Antonio.

Jim's many friends, in and out of the military service, in this country and abroad, will remember him as a loyal and dedicated officer, a man of integrity and great strength of purpose, and an outstanding member of the military profession.

-J.L.H.

Edmund Bower Sebree

NO. 6404 CLASS OF 1919

Died 25 June 1966 in Fort Ord, California, aged 68 years.

Interment: San Francisco National Cemetery, Presidio of San Francisco, California

EDMUND BOWER SEBREE was born on 7 January 1898, in Olney, Illinois, the son of Milton Eddy and Catella Bower Sebree. He graduated from grammar and high school in Olney and attended Cornell University for a year before entering the Military Academy. During these formative years, he developed a quick brain, a keen sense of humor, a talent



EDMUND BOWER SEBREE

for story-telling, a thorough knowledge of the game of baseball, and an understanding of human nature that was quite remarkable in one so young.

Ed had been a star athlete in Olney, and at West Point he participated in the usual cadet athletic activities. Not unduly concerned with academic standing, Ed's good humor and repertoire of stories brightened many dreary days for his classmates.

After graduation, he made the European battlefield tour with his classmates before reporting to the Infantry School at Fort Benning. Subsequently he served with the 7th Infantry in Alaska and Vancouver, Washington, and with the 6th Infantry at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri.

In 1928 Ed was assigned to Western Military Academy in Alton, Illinois, as PMS&T and so impressed the proprietor and superintendent of that school that the elderly gentleman asked Ed to succeed him. According to the provisions of his will, Ed was to become head of the Academy in the event he died before his own teen-age sons became of age.

This assignment was followed by a tour with the 45th Infantry at Fort William McKinley, Philippine Islands, after which he joined the 17th Infantry at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and, when attendance at the C&GS school was opened to the Class, Ed was in the first group to be selected.

From Leavenworth, Ed was assigned first to the 23d Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, and later as aide-de-camp to Maj. Gen. H.J. Brees, then commanding VIII Corps.

The advent of World War II brought Ed to the G1 section of the War Department General Staff. When the first overseas expedition, the Western Task Force (later designated the Americal Division), was being organized for deployment to the Southwest Pacific, Ed was named as its chief of staff.

Faced with the absence of the commanding general, who was ill, and under constant threat from German submarines operating in the Caribbean, Ed assembled the convoy transporting the division off the coast of Venezuela and, with an assist from a classmate, Bill Kean, stationed in Washington, led it safely through the Panama Canal.

The division was held briefly in New Caledonia, and then was committed in Guadalcanal, where it relieved the Marines. Ed was promoted to brigadier general on 8 August 1942, and commanded the division in 1942 and 1943 on Guadalcanal. About the

time that the fighting ended on Guadalcanal, the tropical climate was beginning to take its toll, and Ed, among others in the division, was sent back to the States with a severe case of malaria. His recovery was just about complete when the troops were being assembled for the Normandy invasion, and he was named assistant division commander of the 35th Division.

The 35th was committed soon after the initial landings and fought heroically and successfully at the St. Lo breakout and thence down the Moselle Valley. In the course of this campaign, Task Force Sebree liberated the city of Nancy, and that grateful French community bestowed an "honorary citizenship" on Ed as a token of its appreciation.

Subsequently the division played an active role in the Ardennes, Vosges, and Saar campaigns.

Ed returned home to head the public information section of Army Ground Forces, a job he held for several months before being sent as military attaché to Australia.

At the completion of this tour, Ed returned to Fort Sam Houston, where he served as G2, Fourth Army, until his transfer to Europe as Commanding General, 2d Constabulary Brigade and later Munich Military Post.

In 1950 he was promoted to major general and moved to Trieste to command the American contingent in the allied military government under the United Nations. Returning to the States in 1952, he served successively as Commanding General, 5th Armored Division, Fort Chaffee, Arkansas, and Deputy Commanding General, First Army, at Governors Island, New York.

In 1954, he commanded the 7th Division in Korea, after which he returned to Fort Monroe, Virginia, as Chief of Staff, Continental Army Command. He retired from this assignment in 1957.

On the very first day after retirement, Ed became affiliated with the George Washington University Human Resources Research project at the Presidio of Monterey, California, as a consultant, a position he held until his death. In his work with HumRRO he applied his alert mind to the study of leadership and soon became an authority on the subject. For several years he presented a series of lectures on leadership to the cadets at West Point, and he was also much sought after as a lecturer to ROTC students. His wonderful sense of humor and his rare grasp of the intangibles of leadership made it possible for him to communicate with young men in a way that few senior officers could. Although it is incalculable, the influence that Ed Sebree had on the young men who heard his lectures and who spoke with him at seminars and in informal discussions should be reflected throughout the Army for as long as these young men are a part of it.

His interest in the game of baseball never flagged. He had played on the ARMY team as a cadet, and later, briefly, he played as a semi-professional. In Trieste he backed a baseball team of local native civilians who competed with teams from Rome, Milan, and Madrid for the Sebree Cup, a large, sterling silver bowl.

Ed's anecdotes about his boyhood in Olney, with which he regaled his many friends, immortalized his home town. Every listener wanted to visit Olney just to meet Jake Runyan, the high school janitor, or Mat Tippet, the town tinner. Ed made it appear that growing up in a small town in the horse-and-buggy days had a lot to offer that is missing in our present-day, mechanized life. To these tales he would add others drawn from his

many and varied experiences of forty years. He had few peers as a raconteur.

A strong sense of duty was the dominating influence in Ed's life. Every unit with which he served was better for his having been a part of it. Knowledgeable as he was about human nature he stimulated slow learners to good performances and brighter students to previously unknown heights—and all managed to have fun in the process.

He was awarded the DSM twice, the Silver Star twice, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, and the Purple Heart.

Ed married his high school sweetheart, Pauline "Polly" Weber, in 1919. Together they shared the joys and sorrows of his long and varied career. Polly only survived Ed by seven months, and they are buried together in the Presidio of San Francisco National Cemetery. Both of them live on in the hearts of a host of friends.

They leave three daughters, all married to Army men: Elizabeth (Mrs. Mark F. Brennan), Martha (Mrs. Robert C. McAlister), and Pauline (Mrs. John L. Olow).

—J.R.V.

John Francis Uncles

NO. 6847

CLASS OF 1922

Died 20 January 1967 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 68 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

DURING FORTY-ONE YEARS of active military service, John Uncles was a member of many units and organizations, but he always had a particular affection for the unit he first joined in 1917. This was Battery D, 129th Field Artillery, of the Missouri National Guard, and the battery commander who took Battery D to France during World War I was to become President of the U.S. His name: Harry S Truman. Throughout the years the men of Battery D have kept alive their wartime association by periodic reunions and gatherings. At the inauguration of their former battery commander as President in 1948, the members of Battery D marched in the inaugural parade and took part in the inauguration festivities.

Returning from France in November 1918, John entered the Military Academy as a member of the Oriole Class. He had little



JOHN FRANCIS UNCLES

difficulty with the academic side of the cadet routine and always ranked near the top of his Class. His leadership ability won him an appointment as a cadet captain and battalion commander of the 2d Battalion, U.S. Corps of Cadets, accomplishments which seemed to come to John without apparent effort. His fine sense of humor and an engaging personality established him as a favorite among his classmates and as a young man of promise among his superiors. Excelling as he did in mathematics, he was adept at determining the odds that an event would or would not occur. It came as no surprise to his classmates when he became an outstandingly successful career officer.

After graduation in June 1922 and his initial assignment to the 12th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, his duty tours followed the usual pattern of his contemporaries. At every station he was given a key position and was soon recognized as one of the most capable officers of his grade and service in the Field Artillery. An incident that occurred when John was with the 83d Field Artillery at Fort Benning, Georgia, is typical. When the reporting officer submitted John's efficiency report to the reviewing officer, the latter expressed some doubt that anyone could be as good as the report indicated. The reporting officer was adamant, however, and insisted that John clearly deserved such a report, with the result that the report stood as written. Throughout his career John continually received these highly complimentary reports. Meanwhile, he was also increasing his wide circle of friends, and with good reason. He was loyal to both his superordinates and his superiors, and his friendly, pleasant, unassuming manner won the admiration and respect of all who served with him.

In 1930, he returned to West Point as an instructor in the Department of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, after which came a tour of duty with the 11th Field Artillery Brigade at Schofield Barracks. Later, he joined the staff and faculty of the Field Artillery school, and, in July 1940, he was assigned to the Office of the Chief of Field Artillery and was in Washington, D.C., at the time of Pearl Harbor.

When Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, was activated, John became chief of the Field Artillery Section, Personnel Division, at that headquarters, and was responsible for the assignment of key Field Artillery officers in the rapidly expanding U.S. Army. His knowledge of the requirements of the Field Artillery and his long-time, close association with many Field Artillery officers, particularly at Fort Sill, made him the ideal man for the job. The ultimate success of the Army's Field Artillery units in combat was due in no small measure to John's selection of commanders and senior staff officers for these units.

John left the Army Ground Forces headquarters in February 1943, and in March 1944 took command of the 34th Field Artillery Brigade at Camp Beale, California. Eventually he took this brigade to Europe and commanded it until the end of hostilities. It was while he commanded this brigade that John was promoted to brigadier general. Among the several operations the brigade supported on the way to Berlin was the Rhine crossing where John supported the XVI Corps. He received the Legion of Merit for this operation. On V-E Day the 34th Brigade was not far from the Elbe River at Magdeburg, Germany. John was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for services as commander of the 34th, one of few such awards given to men of John's grade and

command. In February 1946, John was re-assigned to Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, where he received both command and staff assignments, important and responsible positions requiring military competence, good judgment, tact, and the ability to make prompt and sound decisions. His performance in these key assignments enhanced his already established reputation as a man of unusual ability.

From Army Ground Forces John went back to Europe, this time as chief of staff of the U.S. Constabulary. At the time the Constabulary was one of the two major commands of the U.S. Army, Europe, with a number of missions vital to the maintenance of security of Western Germany. Relations with our former ally, the U.S.S.R., were strained, and the blockade of Berlin occurred about this time. John later left the Constabulary to become Artillery Commander of the newly activated 4th Infantry Division, then deployed in Germany.

John was promoted to the grade of major general in December 1952 and was assigned to the important post of Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G4, for research and development in the Pentagon. Less than a year later, in October 1953, he was named Chief of Army Research and Development.

John returned to Germany as Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, Europe, under General A.C. McAuliffe. The relationship between the two men was unusually close, and this proved to be one of the most pleasant assignments in John's long service. In August 1956 John was promoted to lieutenant general and was given command of VII Corps, U.S. Army, Europe, his assignment at the time of his retirement on 31 August 1958. At his retirement ceremony he was awarded an oak leaf cluster to his Distinguished Service Medal. His was an unusual and highly successful career, but the friends he made and the affection in which he was held were probably his finest achievements.

Early in his career, when he was stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, he met, courted, and married the lovely Miss Elizabeth Banks of Columbus, Georgia. Their one daughter, Margaret Katherine, is the wife of Brigadier General Burnside E. Huffman, USMA 1941, G3 Eighth U.S. Army, Korea. In addition to his wife and daughter, John is survived by four grandchildren.

After retirement John and Elizabeth lived at The Westchester in Washington. They enjoyed the many advantages of the capital and their associations with members of the retired colony. John was particularly fond of contract bridge and golf, and he could be a stout partner or a worthy opponent, depending on which side he happened to be playing. He also found time to lend his talents to worthy causes such as the local U.S.O. board. He also served as the Army representative on the Bolté Board which was charged with preparing recommendations for the standardization of personnel policies among all the military services. With his background in the personnel field John was especially well suited to this latter assignment.

John's passing was a great shock to his many friends. Although they feel a deep sense of loss, they nonetheless continue to treasure his memory. He was proud of being a son of West Point, and West Point may well be proud of him.

—Mark McClure

Donald Quitman Harris

NO. 6942 CLASS OF 14 JUNE 1922

Died 12 February 1966 in Saint Joseph's Hospital, Chicago, Illinois, aged 67 years.

Interment: Avon, Illinois

DONALD Q. HARRIS WAS BORN ON 28 June 1898 in Chicago, Illinois. He was appointed to the United States Military Academy on a "dog tag" after completing two years in civil engineering at the University of Michigan. He graduated in 1922, one of the thirty of the Class of 1923 who elected, under an Act of Congress, to get their degrees at the end of their third year. His first assignment was to the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

After graduating from the Battery Officers' Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he went to Panama where he served with the 2d Field Artillery (Pack). While there he developed an interest in pistol marksmanship and was awarded the Distinguished Pistol medal in



DONALD QUITMAN HARRIS

1930. In 1931 he again won this gold medal at the U.S. National Matches.

At Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Don commanded the only 240mm battery in the army. While there he was awarded the Soldier's Medal in November 1931, "for risking his life beyond the call of duty to prevent a stockpile of explosives from being blown up."

After tours of duty with the 5th Field Artillery, Madison Barracks, New York, and with the 14th Field Artillery at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, he was detailed as PMS&T, Gary High Schools, Gary, Indiana, where he succeeded in doubling the size of the cadet corps and in obtaining honor ratings for each school during his tour. Because of his success there he was selected as National Guard Instructor of the South Carolina National Guard. After assisting the units there in the initial phases of mobilization and training for World War II, he was assigned to the then recently organized Armored Forces at Fort Knox, Kentucky. As G4 he was one of the key officers in organizing the 5th Armored Division. He graduated from the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth in 1942 and was then assigned as the first artillery officer of the 8th Armored Division. He was promoted to colonel in October 1942.

In 1943 Don was sent on a special mission to Kunming, China, for duty with the Chinese

Nationalists and served there for the duration of World War II. "For exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service" in China, he was awarded the Legion of Merit by the United States and the Special Breast Order of the Cloud and Banner by the Chinese government. In 1946 he was selected as one of twelve officers to organize what was to become executive headquarters for the Marshall Mission to China. General Marshall wrote, in the citation accompanying Don's Commendation Medal: "...you are doing a splendid job under extraordinarily difficult conditions, and you have displayed an unusually generous and sincere spirit of cooperation."

In 1947 Don was detailed to the G3 Section, Fifth Army Headquarters, in Chicago, Illinois, where he won official commendation for his work in organizing the civilian components. He spent his last five years prior to retirement as PMS&T at the University of Missouri. While at the University he received his master's degree in mathematics, and this led directly to his becoming an instructor of mathematics at the Southern Illinois University after he retired. Ill health forced him to give up his classes after five years of teaching.

Donald Harris died on 12 February 1966 after spending three months in St. Joseph's Hospital in Chicago. He was buried in Avon, Illinois. He is survived by his wife Charlotte, his son Donald George, his daughter Margaret H. Probst, and Margaret's daughter Julie.

His son wrote the following epitaph on the plane from London where he was notified that his father was dying:

He was a man who helped the world continue.
He fought for man's freedom and for a better world for those who live after him.
He spent his life guarding that freedom and the honor of his country.
He provided well for his family and helped his children grow up to be well educated, worthwhile citizens.
He was respected and liked by those who knew him.
His wife and children loved him and mourn mightily his passing.
I can only hope that the same can be said of me when it is my turn to leave this world.

Edward Allen Robins

NO. 7624 CLASS OF 1924

Died 7 January 1965 in New York Hospital, New York, New York, aged 61 years.

Interment: Rose Hill Cemetery, Meridian, Mississippi

EDWARD ALLEN ROBINS WAS a southern gentleman in the best meaning of the phrase. Born in Meridian, Mississippi, on 18 January 1903, he attended public schools in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, then prepared for West Point at Marion Military Institute, Alabama. He entered the Academy in June 1920, and soon after graduation he resigned and attended Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, for graduate study. There he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

During the Twenties Edward worked with the Shell Petroleum and the Meridian Fertilizer Companies, and in the early Thirties he was with RCA Victor in New Jersey. In the

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EDWARD ALLEN ROBINS

mid-Thirties he moved to New York City, his home until his death. He was associated as a heat-exchange engineer first with William B. Kellogg, later with Criscom-Russell, and, immediately prior to his death, with Worthington Corporation.

Soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor Edward volunteered for active service with the Army but was rejected for physical reasons.

Throughout most of his years in New York he was an active member of the Riverside Church where he was a member of the men's class and served on the board of ushers for many years.

Tennis was Edward's principal hobby, and he was an avid participant as well as an enthusiastic spectator. He even managed to play frequently during the cold New York winters, and he rarely missed the Nationals at Forest Hills. While he was a good enough player to win several trophies himself, his greatest satisfaction came from playing and from helping others to enjoy the game, and he gave generously of himself in teaching others. In addition to tennis, Edward also excelled in bowling and golf and won trophies in table tennis competition.

He is survived by his widow, Velna Teague Robins of New York City; a sister, Mrs. John E. Foy of Atlanta, Georgia; and a brother, Commander Ben W. Robins, USNR(R), an officer on board the USNS *Schuylkill*, currently on station off the coast of Vietnam.

Edward was a loyal friend, an unassuming and selfless person who lived his life for others unaware of the greatness of his Christian service. The following Scriptural passage from Matthew is most appropriate in this tribute to Ed Robins:

"Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was ahungered, and ye gave me meat. . . . Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord when saw we Thee ahungered? . . . And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

FALL 1967

Francis Joseph Troy

NO. 12620 CLASS OF 1941

Killed at Alsace, France, 25 January 1945, aged 27 years.

Interment: American Cemetery, Lille, France

FRAN TROY WAS KILLED in action on 25 January 1945 in the Alsace region of France, while serving with the 242d Infantry Regiment of the 42d (Rainbow) Division.

Fran was born in Oswego, New York, on 7 August 1917, one of the seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Troy of Oswego, three of whom served in the nation's armed forces in World War II. A sister, 1st Lt. Mary L. Troy, ANC, USA, died in February 1946. Fran attended Stanton's Preparatory school in Cornwall, New York, in 1936-7 and was appointed to West Point from the 32d Congressional District of New York.

As with so many of us who prepped at the "spec" schools which aimed almost entirely at the entrance examinations, Fran Troy never knew an easy day in the West Point classrooms. Like so many other great ones before him and since, he had to grub hard



FRANCIS JOSEPH TROY

for his 2.0 (qualifying early, thereby, for the Infantry in which he was to die fighting), but his faith and dedication always carried him through, and he never failed a turnout. Coming as he did from the Iroquois country, Fran had hacked a little with a lacrosse stick, and plebe fall found him on ARMY's "C" squad lacrosse roster. Earlier, in plebe summer camp, he had discovered the knack of the cal .45 pistol on the close-in firing ranges and consequently was active with the pistol club in yearling year.

Fran Troy was a quietly religious man and a contributing member and acolyte throughout his four years in Monsignor Charles Murdock's "squad" at the Holy Trinity Catholic Chapel.

While he had a host of friends throughout all classes and companies, Fran typically ran most closely with those of his classmates who lived in his barracks division and in H Company. Besides his roommate, Sandy Matheson, Fran was closest to Jerry LaRocca and Ed McGrane, remnants of the old 4-Plebe tent on Camp Clinton parapet. After plebe year Jim Healy, Red Adams, Jess Graham, Max Tyler, John Barney, and Jimmy Ray became part of Fran's inner circle of friends. Our rough plebe year never came close to dim-

ming his Irish sense of humor, and Fran quickly earned the terse stamp of approval of "good Plebe" from the Beast Detail and from others in the upper classes. As an upperclassman, his characteristic gentleness and consideration earned him the respect of his cadet underlings. He was never a rank-puller or a hazer, and he excelled at minding his own business. As an indicator of the esteem in which we, his classmates, held him as First Classmen, Fran Troy was one of the two we nominated to serve as our company representative on the Honor Committee.

Fran completed the Basic Officer Course at the Infantry School in 1941. Between Benning and his departure for overseas duty he served at Fort Leonard Wood and Camp Croft.

He was married on 4 November 1943 to First Lieutenant Doris Radford of the Army Nurse Corps.

In November of 1944 Fran embarked for combat duty in the European Theatre with the 42d (Rainbow) Division. Just over two months later, as his regiment began its bloody task of reducing the Colmar pocket, Captain Fran Troy was killed in action. He went down as an Infantryman in a rugged infantry operation. His name is cut into the walls of Cullum Hall and is thus permanently enshrined as a supreme credit to the Class and to West Point.

-A classmate

Robert Elmer Winkelmeyer

NO. 12937 CLASS OF 1942

Died in an air accident in Australia, 20 October 1943, aged 24 years.

Interment: Peoria, Illinois

THE REGIMENTAL ADJUTANT intoned the expected announcement: "Special delivery for Cadet Winkelmeyer," whereupon a Plebe, eyes downcast and wearing a faint smile, trotted happily to the adjutant's table to claim his letter. Thus, Bob, or "Wink" as he was always called by his friends, was known to the Class of 1942 by name long before the ensuing four years brought him many close friends. They found in him a happy, easy-going classmate, interested in living each day to its fullest. It was destined that Bob was to spend a major portion of his life as a cadet.

Upon graduation from Peoria High School



ROBERT ELMER WINKELMEYER

he attended the Western Military Academy at Alton, Illinois. Then there was a year at Marion Military Institute, Marion, Alabama, before joining the Corps at West Point. Bob took Academy life in his easy stride. He continued with soccer, which he had first played at Western Military Academy, and earned his minor A in that sport. Later he served as coach of the plebe soccer team. Bob also managed to find time for the ski, camera, radio, and fishing clubs, but most of all he looked forward to the weekend hops and the Sunday afternoons that he spent at the Boodlers with Ann Yurchek. These carefree, leisure hours were to end all too soon.

The Class of 1942 graduated with the echo of President Roosevelt's declaration of war still ringing in their ears. The new second lieutenants hurried to their first duty assignments without the usual summer leave. Bob and Ann were married at the cadet chapel and left immediately for California and primary flight training for Bob. The summer passed rapidly—at Bakersfield and then at Roswell, New Mexico. By January Bob was at Fort Sill, assigned to the famed 1st Cavalry Division as a pilot of artillery observation aircraft. In a matter of months Bob was in Australia, and by September he was flying observer missions there. It was while returning from one of these flights that the plane Bob was flying spun out of control and crashed to the ground. Bob and his passenger, Col. William D. McNair '19, the division artillery commander, were both killed.

The already quickening pace of World War II suddenly slackened for a moment as the 1st Cavalry Division paid tribute, on a clear, spring day in Australia, to two of the Academy's sons who had joined the Long Gray Line.

—Mrs. Harriett Winkelmeijer

Edwin Woods Martin Jr.

NO. 20790

CLASS OF 1956

Hostile death, Vietnam, 23 June 1967.

Aged 33 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

Men are sometimes cruel, but Man is kind.
Men are sometimes greedy, but Man is generous.

Men are mortal, but Man is immortal.

ADLAI E. STEVENSON

SOLDIERS ARE FREQUENTLY called upon to die in defense of their country, but few of them exemplify in their sacrifice the principles on which their lives were founded. Major Edwin W. Martin Jr., was such a man. He died, as he lived, demonstrating his unshakeable faith in the inherent goodness of Man.

Woody Martin was killed in Vietnam on 23 June 1967, as a result of gunshot wounds received in hostile ground action. He was the division psychological warfare officer in the pacification program for the 1st Cavalry Division. His mission in the An Lao valley was to induce enemy soldiers to surrender. Woody, with his interpreter, was moving from cave to cave broadcasting surrender appeals when he came upon a small group of enemy soldiers hiding in a natural cave. In an attempt to avoid what he felt would be useless bloodshed, Woody offered the enemy generous terms of surrender. When they failed to respond, he instructed his interpreter to announce that as a gesture of good faith he would enter the cave without his weapon and equipment. He entered the cave

and was shot at point-blank range. Woody believed in his mission and had met with considerable success in his numerous face-to-face confrontations with the enemy in which he induced many of them to lay down their arms peaceably. Just prior to his fatal encounter he had volunteered for an extension of his Vietnam tour.

Woody's actions since childhood are self expressive, but their echoes, voiced in the written and spoken words of those with whom he came in contact, serve as more concrete evidence of his permanent influence. Typical of these comments is the letter received from the 1st Cavalry Division's Captain Hultquist shortly after Woody's death: "His enthusiasm and dedication to duty served to distinguish him as an outstanding leader, held in highest regard by his men. His soldierly bearing and conduct made him uniquely suited for his pioneering work in the new field of civil affairs. I am proud to have served with him."

Early in his childhood Woody demonstrated those qualities which were to dominate his life—selflessness and an understand-



EDWIN WOODS MARTIN JR.

ing and love for his fellow men. Woody's father was employed by the Department of the Interior, assigned to the Indian Service. Once, when Woody was quite young, he went with his father to a small Indian village where he passed the time playing with the Indian children while his father conducted his business. Noticing that one child stood apart from the group, Woody tried to draw the child into play, only to discover that the child was blind. At a later date, when Woody and his father visited that same village again, Woody brought along his prize toy, an engine with a bell on it, to share with the blind Indian child. The little boy was overjoyed, and the two spent a delightful afternoon playing together. When the Martins prepared to leave, the child's mother reclaimed the toy for Woody. Even at that tender age, Woody could not bear to see disappointment in another human, and even though the engine was his favorite possession, he insisted on leaving it with the blind child.

Woody graduated from high school in Carson City, Nevada, and less than a month later entered West Point. At the completion of his four years at the Academy he ranked in the upper third of his Class and had the option of selecting any branch of service. He chose the Infantry because, as he said, he wanted the chance to work with men that the Infantry provided. After Ranger and airborne

training at Fort Benning, he was stationed with the 11th Airborne Division in Munich, Germany. One of his friends and fellow officers, Major William E. Haas, who worked alongside Woody as a cadet in the Debate Council, taught Sunday School with him, and served with him not only in Germany but in most of his subsequent assignments prior to Vietnam, wrote of Woody after his death: "He was almost too good for the world he lived in. I have seen him ridiculed for his actions which were those of a man who believed in and trusted his fellow men. I have seen the deep hurt he suffered when people failed his trust. Then, at other times, I have seen his sincere delight and satisfaction when people responded positively to the faith and trust he placed in them. Woody not only practiced the Christian virtues, he believed in them wholeheartedly."

Woody returned from Germany as General Cooper's aide and accompanied the General to his next assignment at Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania. It was there that Woody made what may well have been his most significant contribution to the Service. Since his late teens, Woody had been active as a leader in Scouting, and he volunteered to work with the Scouts at Indiantown Gap. In his Scout troop were three brothers in whom Woody recognized unusual latent ability. He urged them forward in their academic and athletic endeavors and provided guidance and encouragement. Even after he was ordered away from that area, Woody continued his active interest in the boys' development. On 3 July, at almost the same time that word was received of Woody's death, the eldest of the three boys, Ray Drummond, entered West Point—a goal he had never dreamed of before meeting Woody, and one he certainly could never have realized without Woody's influence and help. The cadet's father wrote: "Woody guided Ray's career and has been a great influence on all three of my boys. I know how delighted he was when Ray first expressed an interest in West Point. I thank God for bringing my boys and Woody together, for Woody's help has been absolutely priceless. Ray is now in West Point; Frank has been offered scholarships to colleges in North Carolina and Florida; and Jim also plans to attend college."

After attending school at Fort Benning, Woody was sent to Korea, where many orphans and underprivileged came to know Woody's kindness and generosity. After Korea Woody attended the University of Pennsylvania where he earned his master's degree in English, compiling one of the finest records of academic achievement ever recorded by a West Pointer at that institution. Many of the friends he made on the graduate faculty there came to visit him during his subsequent assignment to West Point. Despite his heavy academic load in graduate school, Woody still found time to lead a Scout troop there and to participate actively in church affairs.

While he was a student at Pennsylvania, Woody shared an apartment with Robert W. Berry, now director, Washington operations, Litton Industries. Mr. Berry says of Woody: "He was a person whose intellect and judgment I admired greatly, and it was to him that I came in recent years with my philosophical problems. In one way he did a service for all of us—he was living proof that in this world it is possible to be all good. I have never known anyone who stood so firmly for all that was good. More than that, all who knew Woody share that same opinion."

"He was one of the most devout Christians I have ever known. He never wavered in his faith and it seemed to give him a great inner

peace that few of us ever enjoy. He never doubted for one moment the meaning of life, nor did he ever question the war in which he was involved. In a letter I received from him in February he wrote: 'We must fight this war. No one who has been here could advise otherwise. We must, as in the Marianne Moore poem, "fight the blind man who thinks he sees." We must know the cost and be sobered by the responsibilities it imposes.'

"I think that most of us during our lifetime question our roles, contributions, and awards. Woody's role was significant, his contributions great, and his awards personally satisfying. A wise man once told me that it was not just a requirement of life that we live for something, but that it was also essential that we die for something. I do not believe that Woody would have changed a moment of his life, including the action that resulted in his death. I felt his influence not just on my own life but also on those of his friends and fellow students. As a general rule, we can consider ourselves fortunate if in the space of a lifetime we can influence for the better just one person. Woody's influence was and is felt by many."

After graduate school, Woody was assigned to West Point as an English instructor. He continued his graduate study by working weekends and by attending summer school, and at the time of his death had completed most of the requirements for his Ph.D. While at West Point he was also active in Scouting and in church work, but his greatest concern was for his Plebes, and this concern extended into all facets of their lives.

Colonel Edwin V. Sutherland, Head of the Department of English, wrote: "Woody was a great friend of mine, a wonderful officer, a fine teacher, and a splendid example of manhood to cadet and officer associates alike. His work with the English Department was truly outstanding, as was his entire professional performance."

Lieutenant Colonel Jack L. Capps, Woody's immediate superior at West Point, said of him: "I feel that his greatest monument will be the inspiration he gave to so many cadets while he was teaching at West Point. I cannot recall an officer so enthusiastically sought after by his students—nor one who rewarded them so fully with the genuine idealism that Woody could convey so well."

Throughout his life, Woody gave without thought of self to members of his family and to his friends, and on his last leave he traveled thousands of miles visiting them before his departure for Vietnam. Although his leave time was short, he drove 900 miles out of his way to spend one hour with a ninety-five-year-old lady who was devoted to him. It was a typical Woody Martin gesture.

His final act in life was equally typical.

And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.

Raymond Celeste Jr.

NO. 20913 CLASS OF 1956

Hostile death, Vietnam, 22 November 1965.

Aged 34 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"ALWAYS STRIVE FOR SELF-IMPROVEMENT and more knowledge. Seek responsibility and seek command."

With these words Ray Celeste bade farewell to the men of the 54th Officer Candidate Company at Fort Benning, Georgia, and proceeded to his final assignment in the hostile jungles of Vietnam. Far from being the

formalized clichés often spoken on such occasions, Ray's words to his men reflected his personal credo. Throughout his life, Ray sought knowledge, responsibility, and command.

Ray was born in Manhattan on 26 September 1931, and grew up in the New York City area. In high school he attacked his studies with characteristic, dogged determination and became a member of Arista, the New York City Honor Society. His quest for responsibility and command led rather naturally to the Army, and in 1951, he joined the highly regarded 107th Infantry Division of the New York National Guard. It proved to be a doubly rewarding decision—Ray not only learned the traditions and duty concept of the military, he also earned the opportunity to compete for a reserve component appointment to West Point. He won the appointment and the privilege of attending the New York National Guard West Point Preparatory School. On 1 July 1952, Ray entered West Point, a proud member of the Class of 1956.

During his four years as a cadet, Ray found ample opportunity for self-improvement



RAYMOND CELESTE JR.

and the gaining of knowledge—sometimes more than he seemed to need. He was, for example, a member of that elite group that wore low overshoes to electricity lab classes, regardless of the weather. "Better to be 'quilled' than electrocuted," he contended. To his casual acquaintances Ray gave the impression of being quiet and introspective, but to those who knew him well he was a dynamic person with a rich sense of humor. Whether duelling with the academic departments or clashing with classmates on the intramural athletic fields, Ray's dogged determination shone through; this same strong motivation led to the choices he made for his career after graduation: Infantry, Airborne, Ranger.

After successfully completing all three of these rugged courses, Ray settled down to his apprenticeship as a junior officer in the 82d Airborne Division. In June of 1958, Ray returned briefly to West Point to conclude a three-year courtship by marrying his lovely wife, Alice. Later in the same year, Ray saw an opportunity for still further improvement and made application for flying instruction. He entered the program at San Marcus, Texas, but frequent attacks of air sickness stymied this project, and soon thereafter Ray and Alice were on their way to Europe.

Ray's tour in Germany was personally and professionally rewarding. His two fine sons,

Raymond and Robert, were born during this tour, and, as executive officer of Company A, 2d Battle Group, 28th Infantry, Ray was cited for the "particularly noteworthy . . . professional knowledge" he displayed during the Army training tests in the fall of 1959. But he was restless, so he volunteered for duty with the 10th Special Forces Group (Abn) and was given command of a detachment. Among his duties, Ray supervised the training connected with a locally established airborne school, a job well suited to Ray's drive and temperament. Once, while participating with his men in a daily run, Ray saw one of the airborne candidates drop down alongside the road. Running up to the man, Ray wanted to know what was wrong. The trainee said he was too tired to go on. His dark eyes flashing, Ray ordered, "Get up! If you have enough breath to complain with, you can go another mile." It was typical of the Celeste philosophy—give all you have and then a little more.

Ray returned to the United States in 1963 to attend the Infantry Officer Career Course. It was about this time that President Kennedy was stressing physical fitness, a challenging message to Ray Celeste. Pushing his books aside, he set out on the recommended 50-mile hike and completed it in ten hours and fifty-five minutes. For this effort, Ray was cited by the Infantry School for possessing one of "the highest traits of a military leader, that of setting the example."

Ray remained at Fort Benning after completing the career course and was assigned as S3 of the 2d Battalion (Mech), 9th Infantry, 2d Infantry Division. Ray distinguished himself as battalion S3 and later as commanding officer of Company A in Exercises LONG THRUST IX and FROSTY LION. For his "outstanding professional ability, leadership, and high degree of initiative," Ray received the Army Commendation Medal.

In May of 1964, Ray was given command of the 54th Officer Candidate Company at Fort Benning. There, his will to win and his inspiring leadership were reflected in his company's winning the coveted Commanding General's Trophy in July of 1964. And yet, professional soldier that he was, Ray never forgot another attribute so necessary to a good commander—genuine concern for the needs of his men. Ray treasured these words written to him by the parents of one of the officer candidates:

We were surprised that you knew our son personally as you also seemed to know every young man under your command. We often get the idea that the Army is so large that the individual is lost in it. We were happy to learn that this is not true, especially in your command.

Despite his happy home life with Alice and his sons, and the satisfaction gained from shaping the character of future officers, Ray's restless energy drove him to volunteer for duty in Vietnam. Arriving there in July 1965, he was assigned as senior advisor to the 2d Ranger Company, 37th Ranger Battalion, replacing a West Point classmate, Wally Crane. Both Ray and Wally described the 37th as being "one of the finest units in the Vietnamese Army." Certainly during the months he was in combat, Ray experienced the fruition of his years of preparation. Nor did he ever doubt the soundness of his choice. In a letter to his son (then age six), Ray wrote:

I must be here because our country needs me here. All the things we have at home are wonderful: our pretty house, the freedom to go to any church we want to . . .

The people in Vietnam want what we have worked for and have. However, other people over here want them to live in an entirely different way. . . . I do hope that you understand that I am not here because I want to be here, but that there is work that must be done here.

Ray's contribution to the "work that must be done" in Vietnam ended on 22 November 1965, when he was killed in action near the small village of Thach Tru. He was awarded the Bronze Star for Valor and the Purple Heart posthumously. The National Order, Fifth Class, and the Gallantry Cross with Palm were awarded to Ray by the Republic of Vietnam.

Ray Celeste died as he had lived—giving all he had. The 54th Officer Candidate Company's graduating class of March 1965 dedicated their yearbook, *54 Gold Bar*, to Ray, and perhaps no epitaph could be more appropriate than the words prefacing that dedication—*Leadership Through Example*.

James Floyd Ray

NO. 22234 CLASS OF 1959

Hostile death, Vietnam, 9 January 1965.
Aged 27 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery,
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

JIM RAY, like a verse of magnificent poetry, lingers in the mind and invites an explanation of his endurance. Milton wrote that poetry is more "simple, sensuous, and passionate" than rhetoric, and Jim's life made just such an impression. Jim fashioned a brilliant record that proves his mastery of conduct in this prosaic world and places him rightly among an elite group of successful men. It is a tribute of convenience to associate him with that group when recollecting our dead. But the tenacity with which he sticks in the mind attests to a unique quality not involved in the rhetoric of normal values. Jim Ray transcended usual measures by raising the argument of his life to poetry—simple, sensuous, and passionate.

Jim informed his life with an ordered and elegant simplicity. Earthly intricacies puzzled him only because other persons were so baffled by them. In evaluating Jim's academic perception the Masters of Oxford were as one with the "goats" in the "sinks" of West Barracks; except that the goats had not the



JAMES FLOYD RAY

privilege of demonstrating so vividly their judgment that the Masters confirmed by awarding Jim a rare, univaled First for his skill. In affairs military Jim maintained his clear vision. From the Academy to Fort Lewis to Vietnam he chose the simple word, the simple solution, the simple truth. The utter accuracy of his analysis of the district advisor's role in Vietnam is late testimony of Jim's ability to isolate and attack essential problems. He so pared excess from his life, so tested his mental powers, that he at times was plainly Spartan. But, while he fostered a severe physical and mental self-discipline, he never transformed simplicity to dullness. A fine excess delighted the world that Jim Ray touched.

Jim was no cold intellectual who, murdering to dissect, barred sensory appreciation. On the contrary, Jim was extraordinarily and gratefully aware of the pleasure of sense. Whether singing opera or playing Mozart; delivering a perfect Paragraph Three or booming out a drill command; marveling at a Reubens or introducing his lovely wife; savoring a breakfast quail or sipping an old Madeira; riding with graceful precision or imparting a firm handshake; condemning shoddy work or praising excellence; linking the hands of father, mother, brother, sister in stately prayer or flourishing his lively wit—in all of these pursuits Jim was excited by his very humanity. He was fluent in several languages but most in the universal one of emotion. He lived in that language because he sensed the limitations of the measured confines of the intellect. Sensitive men found a kindred spirit in Jim Ray. He was the man who could still love and hate, laugh and cry, shout and stay silent, curse and pray, taste and abstain, befriend and ignore.

Jim marked whatever he thought and did with a splendid passion. Dramatic intensity imbued his every action. He moved with the dedication, responsibility, and style of an actor on opening night. Driven to communicate, Jim roused the sleepest audience to attention. While his vigor and impatience were not pleasing to the sluggish mind, they never failed to exhilarate men who were not ready to quit thinking and feeling. Jim affected life with his passionate attitude at all turns. Most of us who saw Jim only at West Point never discovered what a sensation he created at Oxford, never knew his remarkable friends and admirers there. Many of us may never have seen the devoted relationship of love and respect between Jim and his parents, brother, sister, and wife. Many may never have felt the wonder of Jim's fervent dedication to friendship that made clear the highest value of that word. Many of us never saw the passion with which Jim performed his Army duties. None of us saw his final passion.

But we all remember the poetry of his life. Jim Ray is unforgettable. We who survive, hear again and again the recitation of his achievement, his promise, his challenge. The verse breaks off too soon and dares us to make, somehow, the fragment whole.

Spotswood de Witt

NO. 26018 CLASS OF 1965

Hostile death, Vietnam, 21 December 1966.
Aged 24 years.

Interment: Saint James Episcopal Churchyard,
Boydton, Virginia

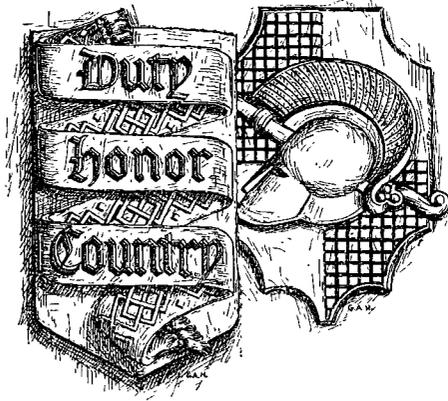
FIRST LIEUTENANT SPOTSWOOD DE WITT, USA, of Richmond, Virginia, a member of The Holland Society of New York since 1964, died in action at the age of 24 while serving



SPOTSWOOD DE WITT

with the U.S. Army in Vietnam on Wednesday, 21 December 1966. Descended from Tierck Claessen de Witt who came to this country before 1656 from Grootholdt, Holland, and settled near Wiltwyck (Kingston, New York), he was born at Macon, Georgia, 24 January 1942, son of Cornelius de Witt Jr., and Catherine Newton Cogbill. A Regular Army officer since graduating as a 2d lieutenant from the U.S. Military Academy with the class of 1965, he attended Thomas Jefferson High School, Richmond, and the USMA Preparatory School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Assigned to the artillery when commissioned, he took Ranger training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and was promoted to 1st lieutenant on 15 June 1966, three months before beginning his duty in Vietnam. At the time of his death while leading a seek-and-destroy patrol, he was executive officer of Battery C, 6th Battalion, 29th Artillery, 4th Infantry Division. Besides the Purple Heart, awarded posthumously, he had received the Bronze Star and service medals, and two decorations from the Vietnamese government. The 14th member of his family to attend West Point, and a great-great-grandson of General Henry Brewerton, Academy Superintendent in 1845-52, he qualified for selection as a cadet while serving an Army enlistment which commenced in 1960 upon his graduation from high school. While at the Point he became an officer in the Corps of Cadets, took part in athletics and, among other activities, the Cadet Chapel Choir and Glee Club, taught in the Church School, made an outstanding record in tactics, and, as noted in the HOWITZER, cadet yearbook, was one of the most popular members of his Class. A third-generation member of The Holland Society, he had been prominently identified with the Episcopal Youth of Virginia and the Boy Scouts. He is survived by his parents and two brothers, Alexander B. de Witt and Cornelius de Witt III, of Richmond. Funeral services conducted in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Richmond, on 30 December, were followed by interment with full military honors at St. James Episcopal Churchyard, Boydton, Virginia.

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Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the Summer 1967 ASSEMBLY

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place</i>
William J. Glasgow.....	1891..... 4	August 1967.....	El Paso, Texas
William H. Paine.....	1894..... 10	October 1967.....	Medford, Oregon
Charles Telford.....	1903..... 21	June 1967.....	San Diego, California
Russell V. Venable.....	1904..... 29	April 1967.....	Bowman, California
Charles A. Lewis.....	1906..... 25	August 1967.....	San Antonio, Texas
John W. Lang.....	1907..... 22	July 1967.....	Washington, D.C.
James E. Chaney.....	1908..... 21	August 1967.....	Washington, D.C.
Cleveland C. Gee.....	1909..... 9	September 1967.....	Erie, Pennsylvania
Kenneth B. Harmon.....	1910..... 19	June 1967.....	San Diego, California
James R. N. Weaver.....	1911..... 29	August 1967.....	Menlo Park, California
Francis J. McDonnell.....	Ex-1912..... 11	October 1967.....	Miami, Florida
Goffrey Keyes.....	1913..... 17	September 1967.....	Washington, D.C.
Francis K. Newcomer.....	1913..... 16	August 1967.....	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
John P. Markoe.....	1914..... 26	July 1967.....	Omaha, Nebraska
La Rhett L. Stuart.....	1914..... 5	September 1967.....	Hemet, California
Hugh Mitchell.....	1916..... 10	September 1967.....	Fort Gordon, Georgia
Robert L. Bacon.....	Aug 1917..... 4	May 1967.....	Brownsville, Texas
Julian Lamar.....	Jun 1918..... 8	September 1967.....	Atlanta, Georgia
Marion Van Voorst.....	Nov 1918..... 27	September 1967.....	Washington, D.C.
Edwin M. Sutherland.....	1919..... 17	August 1967.....	Vandenberg AFB, California
Lawrence E. Schick.....	1920..... 14	October 1967.....	Carmel, California
Francis X. Mulvihill.....	1922..... 17	October 1967.....	West Point, New York
Donald W. McGowan.....	Ex-1922..... 24	September 1967.....	Lawrenceville, New Jersey
Stewart T. Vincent.....	14 Jun 1922..... 16	August 1967.....	Washington, D.C.
Edward L. Andrews.....	1924..... 21	August 1967.....	Tucson, Arizona
Frederick R. Keeler.....	1924..... 23	September 1967.....	Jalisco, Mexico
Edward A. Robins.....	1924..... 7	January 1965.....	New York, New York
Robert R. Selway Jr.....	1924..... 12	September 1967.....	March AFB, California
James N. Krueger.....	1926..... 31	December 1964.....	Tullahoma, Tennessee
William H. Mikkelsen.....	1932..... 11	August 1967.....	Fort Jackson, South Carolina
Ray J. Stecker.....	1932..... 19	September 1967.....	Marblehead, Massachusetts
Bernard Thielen.....	1932..... 1	October 1967.....	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Joseph L. Cowhey.....	1933..... 21	August 1967.....	West Haven, Connecticut
Thomas W. Cooke.....	1936..... 11	August 1967.....	Boynton Beach, Florida
Godfrey A. Fowler.....	1936..... 12	May 1967.....	Dallas, Texas
Birdsey L. Learman.....	1938..... 27	June 1967.....	Washington, D.C.
Joseph C. Reddoch Jr.....	1938..... 3	August 1967.....	Maxwell AFB, Alabama
William K. Cummins.....	1941..... 19	September 1967.....	Bowie, Maryland
Wayne G. McCarthy.....	1942..... 1	September 1967.....	Saint Albans, New York
Thomas F. Flynn Jr.....	1944..... 25	September 1967.....	Bamberg, Germany (helicopter crash)
Wallace G. Hynds Jr.....	1945..... 2	August 1967.....	KIA (pilot) North Vietnam
Gail F. Wilson.....	1950..... 3	September 1967.....	Vietnam
Terry de la M. Allen Jr.....	1952..... 18	October 1967.....	Vietnam
Blackshear M. Bryan Jr.....	1954..... 22	September 1967.....	Vietnam
Donald W. Holleder.....	1956..... 17	October 1967.....	Vietnam
James W. Mooring.....	1957..... 6	September 1967.....	Reese AFB, Texas (aircraft accident)
Larry M. Greene.....	1959..... 30	March 1967.....	Yosemite National Park, California
Ellis M. Bailey.....	1962..... 11	October 1967.....	Vietnam
Thomas D. Culp.....	1962..... 11	September 1967.....	Vietnam
David A. Bujalski.....	1964..... 15	August 1967.....	Vietnam
Carl R. Arvin.....	1965..... 8	October 1967.....	Vietnam
John K. Hutton Jr.....	1965..... 11	August 1967.....	Vietnam
Richard A. Chatfield.....	1966..... 23	August 1967.....	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Dennis D. Loftheim.....	1966..... 9	September 1967.....	Vietnam

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