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Fellow Graduates and Friends of the Military Academy:

This summer marks the tenth anniversary of the Army Orientation Training Program. For the ten years prior to 1959, only those cadets of the First Class not required for training the new plebes or the Third Classmen at Camp Buckner were sent to training centers to serve in the capacity of instructors. Since 1959, a major effort has been made to provide all cadets with firsthand knowledge of the duties, responsibilities, and living conditions of the junior officer in the Army through practical experience in performing the duties of a platoon leader, participation in the command, training, and administrative functions performed at platoon and company level and through additional orientation in the daily professional and social life of the officer.

In each of these areas, the program has been successful -- as indicated by the comments of cadets in after-action reports and from the comments of recent graduates who, to a man, state that AOT was for them the most worthwhile leadership training they experienced as a cadet. Their only criticism of the program is that it is too short -- a feature I would like to improve. Credit for the resounding success of this program must go to the units at each garrison where cadets have been assigned, and this includes nearly every major US Army post in the United States, Germany, Alaska, Panama, and Hawaii.

I believe that the AOT program does several things for the cadet. First, and of primary importance, it prepares him for his duties as a junior officer in a way that can't be done here at West Point. Secondly, it serves to motivate each cadet toward a lifetime career as an Army officer. In attempting to secure this long-term commitment, we are particularly interested in the activities of the unit to which the cadets are assigned so that they can see the true meaning of esprit and high morale in one of our fine divisional units. Finally, the cadet matures appreciably during his AOT assignment. Essentially, I believe this can be accounted for through the confidence which is gained and the fact that the cadet has the opportunity to prove to himself that he is quite capable of leading a group of men.

Because the Corps is expanding, the AOT program must expand if we are to maintain the quality of the program. The number of cadets going to Europe was trebled this year and we hope to increase it more next year. In addition, we hope to increase the numbers that can be given meaningful assignments in the organizational units in the United States.

In all, the AOT program provides each cadet with a magnificent opportunity to put to the test the knowledge and theories he has been taught in the classroom. We expect that he will make some mistakes; however, performance reports indicate that each cadet has carried his responsibilities well.

Sincerely,

S. W. Koster

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The front cover pays tribute to General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower '15, whose contributions to his Alma Mater and Country leave a permanent mark on West Point. The back cover honors Generals Lincoln, Bonesteel, Sibley, Rogers and Colonel Jordan, five of West Point's forty-nine Rhodes Scholars. For the inside picture of General Eisenhower, ASSEMBLY is grateful to Mr. Wills and the National Geographic Society for granting permission to reproduce the photograph.

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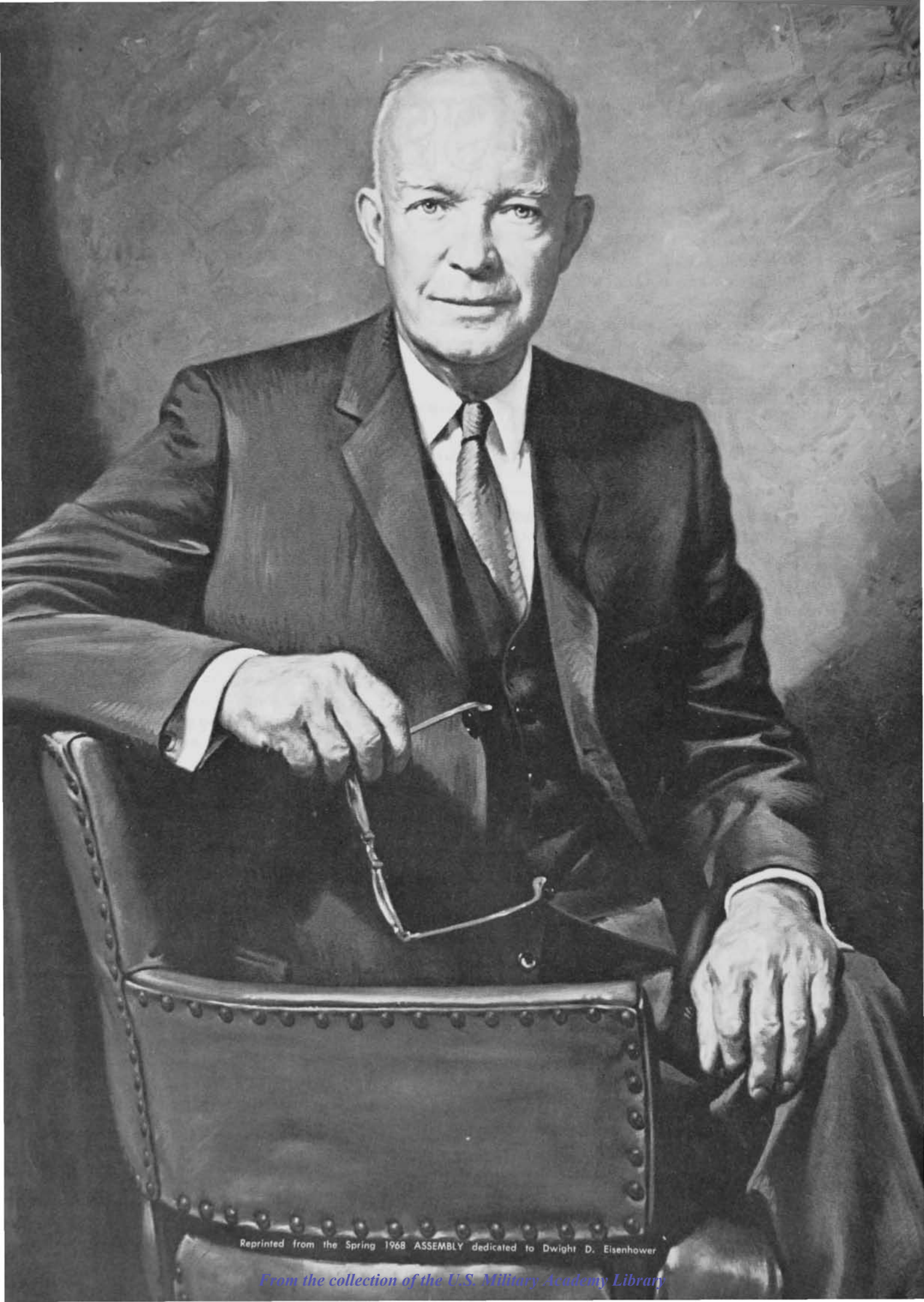

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IN MEMORIAM

Dwight David Eisenhower

Class of 1915

GENERAL OF THE ARMY

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

"I've always loved my wife. I've always loved my children. I've always loved my grandchildren. And I have always loved my country."

DDE

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FOUNDERS DAY 1969

UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY

In these times, some Americans seem to think that intricate and superbly engineered machines have diminished the role of the individual in all sorts of enterprises from the management of a shop to the conduct of war or the preservation of peace; that a man's character is of less account than the sophistication of the instruments surrounding him; that such concepts as Duty, Honor, Country are outmoded relics of a simple and even primitive past. Those who so think are dead wrong.

Hardly a day passes that I do not hear or read a new proof that, in the hour of grave crisis or severe challenge, character is the chief resource of men and their nations. I do not discount, of course, the need for knowledge and skill and mastery of material resources. I do mean to stress, however, that today, even as it was a century or a millennium ago, the final index to a nation's destiny is within its people; in their commitment to principles and ideals; in their willingness to sacrifice for the common good; in their determination ever to bear themselves with courage whatever the challenge or threat.

And so, on this Founder's Day, I particularly want to recognize the eternal validity and present preponderant value of the concepts that in the American mind are synonymous with the United States Military Academy--Duty, Honor, Country. Even as my Alma Mater, in things of the mind and in all the new technologies, keeps pace with every scientific advance, I fervently hope these three words will continue the hallmark of her way and her graduates.

With best wishes

Dwight D. Eisenhower

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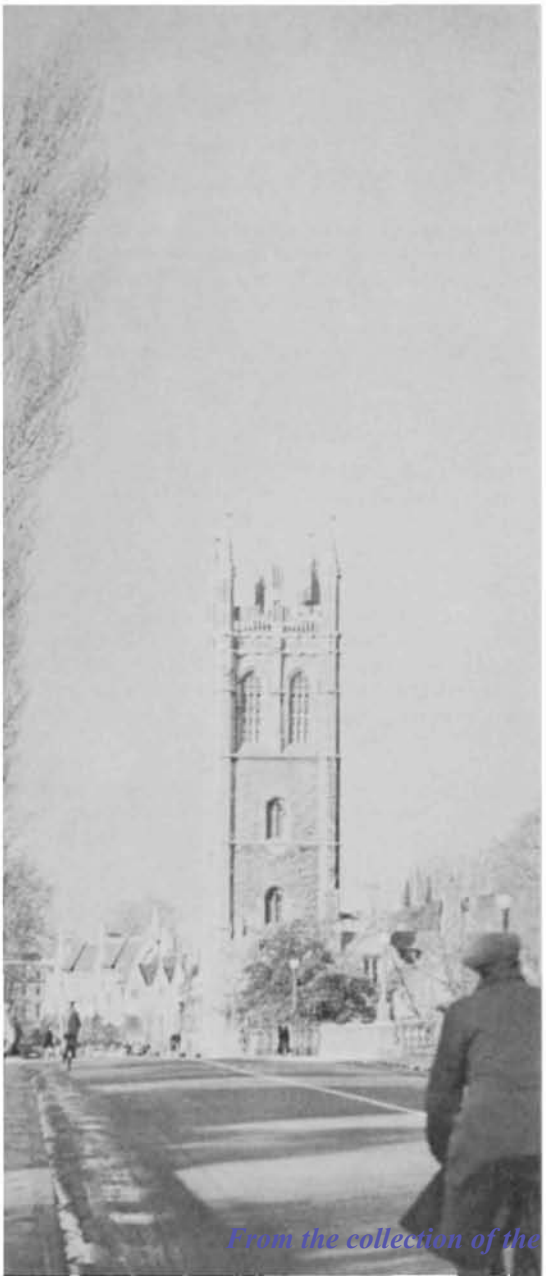

Aerial view of Oxford with the quadrangle of Christ Church College right front, and the Radcliffe Camera of the Bodelian Library, the large dome at center left.

Magdalen College Tower from the Bridge on May Day morning. A Boys Choir sings anthems from the church tower to the assembled punters on the River Thames below.

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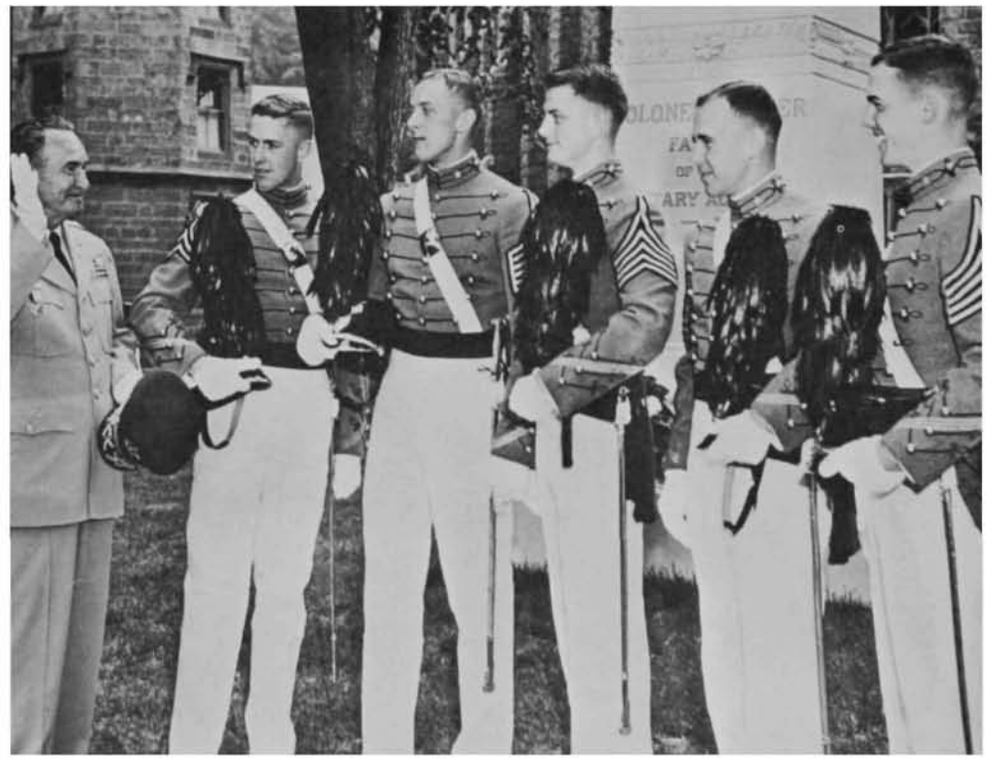
FORTY-NINE USMA cadets in the past forty-five years have distinguished themselves and brought honor to West Point, the Armed Forces, and the United States by being selected as Rhodes Scholars. The Rhodes Scholarships remain the best known, most prestigious, and most sought after scholarships in the United States. In this regard, it is noteworthy that only Harvard, Princeton, and Yale surpass the Academy's achievements in scholarship competition since 1924.

As a measure of the competition involved, thirty-two scholarships are awarded in the United States annually. Naturally, one wonders why cadets have competed so successfully. Perhaps the answer rests in the parallel between the characteristics the Academy seeks to foster in its graduates and the ones set forth for the scholars in the will of Cecil John Rhodes.

Rhodes, a British financier, a statesman, a builder of a large part of the British Empire in Africa, and an Oxford graduate himself, specified the type of scholar he sought. He was looking for "literary and scholastic attainment; qualities of manhood, truthfulness, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindliness, unselfishness, and fellowship; exhibition of moral force of character and of instincts to lead and take an interest in his fellows; physical vigor, as shown by fondness for and success in sports." It was also his hope that a Rhodes

Qualifications: Literary and scholastic attainment—and instincts to lead. From left to right: General Counts with Mike Gillette, Pete Dawkins, Jim Ray, Stan Kanarowski and Powell Hutton, all of the Class of '59. John Grinalds joined the 1959 class the following year to form the largest representation from one Academy class to receive Rhodes Scholarships.



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Scholar would come "to esteem the performance of public duties as his highest aim." These are the criteria on which the annual selection boards make their choices from among the many promising candidates. Once selected, the young men have the opportunity of spending two or three years at Oxford in their preferred fields of graduate work. Most West Pointers have in recent years chosen the complex of Philosophy, Politics and Economics as their area of study.

To develop the all-around man, life at Oxford combines the pursuit of knowledge with games and athletics, social and extra-curricular activities with travel far afield. Studies are conducted in a tutorial framework, where the student's tutor acts as close collaborator in the quest for knowledge —as advisor, encourager, friend, examiner, and critic. With such a personal relationship and with only one set of terminal examinations, the learning process becomes largely one of motivation. The student is not made to work, but rather made to feel like working.

At the college level, games play an important part of the Oxford system, and Americans enjoy the informal nature of the sports. A team captain "gets up a side" and arranges the "fixtures." After the match the host team treats its guests to beer, cider, or shandy in its pavilion. On the university level many West Pointers have played rugby, lacrosse, hockey, and even basketball, while others have run or rowed, swum or shot.

The student's social life runs the gauntlet from the variety of cultural attractions in the nearby London area or in Oxford itself, to the informal beer gatherings so dear to British students, and to all night dinner-dances in formal attire. Similarly the extra-curricular activities offer a myriad of opportunities—debating, Scottish dancing, amateur dramatics, mountain climbing, politicking, and stamp collecting —among the over 400 separate clubs at the University.

Such an intermingling of American and Commonwealth students generates a camaraderie that continues throughout the years and around the globe.

American students can take full advantage of another important highlight of life at Oxford, the opportunity to travel within the British Isles and on the Continent. In so traveling (and hopefully studying, perhaps even learning another language), Military Academy graduates have gained the side benefits of an understanding of other peoples so broadening to their personal and professional horizons.

The advantages of an Oxford background may best be expressed in the career patterns and in the words of the Rhodes Scholars themselves. General George A. Lincoln, as Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness, recently received well-deserved, nation-wide recognition for his many contributions to the country. His dedicated service in a multiple-faceted career is covered in detail in a feature article in this issue of ASSEMBLY. In essence, General Lincoln fulfilled Cecil Rhodes' hope that one of his scholars would come "to esteem the performance of public duties as his highest aim."

With regard to his impressions of Oxford General Lincoln said in part, "Oxford can give a capability to grasp problems and aspects of problems which some people might consider indefinable. Particularly if combined with the best West Point has to give, it can provide an individual with extraordinary breadth and in perception and comprehension. Oxford also provides breadth of experience beyond the academic which is most useful."

Concerning war service, General Lincoln, as a combined staff planner in Europe early in World War II, recognized the rewards of his associations with the British at

On the university level many West Pointers have played rugby, lacrosse, hockey, and even basketball, while others have run or rowed, swum or shot.

Qualification: Cadet Amos A. Jordan Jr. spars for an opening against Dick Prussin of Syracuse. Jordan won the 155-pound title.

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Relaxing in a ski lodge.

The Dining Hall and en route to studies—Pete Dawkins
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Oxford: "As to the entire British side of the matter, Oxford, of course, gave one the capability to comprehend with quite consistent accuracy the view and probable reaction of not only the individual British officer, but also what might be called the 'British Staff' on any problem. Knowing these things and understanding what probably lay behind them, resolution of problems by straightforward presentation of the American side and discussion was greatly facilitated."

At a time when the lines between military, political, and economic decisions are blurred, the value of an Oxford education becomes more apparent. Or as Major General James McCormack Jr., Class of 1932 and Board Chairman of COMSAT, expressed it, "In these days of close interrelations among nations, and intimate connection between political and military affairs, there is a critical requirement for military officers having a sophisticated, firsthand knowledge of the customs and motivations of other nations. A Rhodes Scholarship, including the practical advantage of living three years in Europe, certainly contributes much to such knowledge."

Like General Lincoln, General Charles H. Bonesteel III, currently Commanding General, Eighth U.S. Army, and Commander in Chief, UNC-COMUSFK, represents an outstanding example of the scholar-officer with a remarkable career of service. The story of General Bonesteel's fight for life and a commission is legendary. A fourth generation Academy honor graduate—great-grandfather, Class of 1854; grandfather, Class of 1876; father, Class of 1908—he was stricken with pneumonia in February, complicated later by scarlet fever, and lay critically ill in June 1931. When his receiving a commission appeared hopeless, President Herbert Hoover slashed the red tape, and General Bonesteel received his appointment by radio while still in a hospital bed. He recovered to continue his education at Oxford.

After wartime service including overseas duties as Acting Engineer, U.S. Forces in (*Continued on page 39*)

Rhodes Scholars as key educators: From the left, Colonel Amos A. Jordan Jr., Professor and Head of Department of Social Sciences, USMA; Wesley W. Posvar, Chancellor of Pittsburgh; and General George A. Lincoln, former Professor and Head of the Department of Social Sciences.

Then Colonel Lincoln with C. Powell Hutton (left) and Peter Dawkins (right) when the three Scholars were members of the Social Sciences Department. Eight Oxford graduates currently serve at the Academy.

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The Honorable Dean Rusk receiving the Thayer Award from General Clyde D. Eddleman, President of the Association of Graduates.

Thayer Award Presented to DEAN RUSK

GIVEN a standing ovation by the Corps of Cadets and distinguished guests when he was introduced and when he finished his remarks in Washington Hall, the Honorable Dean Rusk became the twelfth recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award on 15 May.

General Clyde D. Eddleman, President of the Association of Graduates, cited Mr. Rusk for unselfishly giving "of himself and his professional talents to his country in a continual quest for peace." A Rhodes Scholar and educator, prior to his Army service in the China-India-Burma Theater and with the Operations Division of the War Department General Staff during World War II, Mr. Rusk was also commended for his humanitarian efforts as President of the Rockefeller Foundation. As Secretary of State

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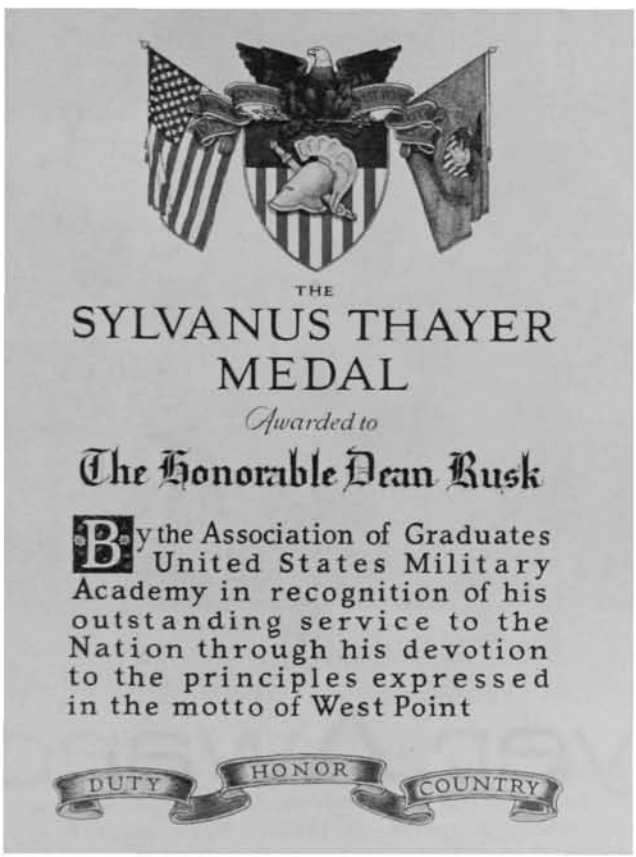

Written in conjunction with **Pointer View**—by Robert D. Ewegen, a 1968 graduate of the University of Colorado and formerly associated with UPI.

during the administrations of Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson, he was praised as a "man of intellect and of unyielding principles," who "helped shape policies during a period of almost continuous major crises."

In retrospect Mr. Rusk, in his address, recalled that as he received the Cadet Review that afternoon his "mind raced back forty-five years to the time when I myself wanted very much to be a cadet in this great Academy. But my Congressman was not impressed, and so I have had to be content to admire you from a distance. During those forty-five years I have had the extraordinary privilege of learning what you mean by Duty, Honor, Country in personal service alongside many graduates of West Point."

Mr. Rusk further praised the Academy and said what he called "The strong liberal arts flavor in West Point Education is a part of the preparation of officers whose talents must reach beyond the strictly military if they are to understand their future roles in our society."

On the topic of security policy the former Secretary of State warned in his address: "In thinking about where we stand with National Security Policy today, I am concerned with signs that hard-won lessons of the past are being forgotten—risking the repetition of some of the same old mistakes. Change is the law of life and adjustment of policy to new circumstance is an elementary requirement. But to scrap policies without putting something better in their place is the path of folly. The siren sounds of isolationism are being heard once again—and we should recognize them for what they are."

Mr. Rusk said the passage of time and rush of events

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The Honorable Dean Rusk troops the line during the Cadet Review in his honor. He was escorted by Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, and Cadet First Captain R. H. Baldwin Jr. The Corps presented a Cadet sword to Dean Rusk.

since World War II and the trends today which are "larger than a man's hand on the horizon" led him "to wonder whether we are not in the presence of a double generation gap—one involving the old, the other the young.

". . . Many of us who are older apparently have forgotten the blood that was shed because there were no collective measures to prevent that great struggle. And, at the same time, half of our people are too young to have had a chance to remember the agony of the events which prompted the somber conclusions of those years."

Calling for a "genuine and sustained dialogue both within and between generations—a dialogue infused with mutual respect and that presumption of good faith which holds a democratic society together," he said we need the "hope and aspiration" of young people and "their insistence upon narrowing the gap between what is and what ought to be; we need their impatience, energy and imagination.

"But it is just possible that we who are older can contribute something ourselves to this dialogue with the young. As we join with them in a search for the right path, we have an obligation to say on occasion, 'Don't take this path; we've taken it and found that it leads over the cliff.'"

The former Secretary of State turned again to security stressing that: "The theory and practice of collective security represent the lessons we drew from World War II. Let our present discourse be informed by the greater realization that there will be no lessons to be drawn from World War III—the thousands of megatons now held in frail human hands will see to that."

Highlighting U.S. contributions to the world and at home, Mr. Rusk pointed out that "If we have acted with restraint and generosity to build a decent world order, we have also taken giant strides to set right our arrangements here at home. The Kennedy-Johnson years will be noted by historians as the period when we made up our minds that injustice and inequity must disappear from our society."

Expressing a strong note of hope, Mr. Rusk said: "It is in the American character to be self-critical and to pay more attention to tomorrow's unfinished business than to yesterday's accomplishment. It is inevitable that strenuous public debate will lead some to raise doubts about our motives and our purpose. Small minorities will see little good in us and will try to undermine the very democratic process which is their only protection. But most Americans are not diverted from their appointed tasks, are quietly confident in the nation we have built on these shores, are determined to make tomorrow better than yesterday, and are willing to accept the responsibilities and burdens of citizenship—a people who continue to value Duty, Honor, Country."

Then, he concluded his address with "the simple affirmation that the pride of this Corps in itself and in its country is well placed, that the old-fashioned virtues are enduring and are as relevant today as ever they were and that your country deserves the dedicated service which flows from this Academy in unstinting measure."

As a humorous aside during his address Dean Rusk said that the one thing he missed at West Point was some pickets. General Koster, Superintendent, in response said that had he known Mr. Rusk wanted pickets he would have provided them and the signs they carried would probably have read "Beat Navy."

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COLONEL LINCOLN RETIRES

by Amos A. Jordan Jr.

Colonel George A. Lincoln

COLONEL George A. (Abe) Lincoln, Professor of Social Sciences, retired on 18 January 1969, after nearly 40 years of distinguished service to the nation, the Army, and his Alma Mater. Upon retirement he reverted to the rank of Brigadier General which he had earned during World War II and carried through the period of postwar cutbacks in rank (but which he had relinquished on his selection as a professor in 1947). President Nixon's choice of him to be Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness in the new Administration assured his retirement; in nearly 40 years of working in a variety of soldierly and other public service positions, Abe had gone where duty called, doubly so if the call came from the Commander-in-Chief.

When George Lincoln appeared at the Military Academy in July of 1925 he was not exactly an unshod rustic from Michigan, as he sometimes posed. He had graduated at the top of his class in Harbor Beach High School and had attended Fairmont College in Wichita for a year prior to his appointment. His career at the Academy was a distinguished one. Consistently standing first in mathematics, he was reputed to be the only man in the Corps who had memorized the logarithmic tables. His potential as a military leader was also recognized. As a Cadet Captain he commanded old B Company. He also served on the Honor Committee, played lacrosse, wrote poetry, and headed the "Tenth Squad" of cadet academic coaches—he was a well known teacher as a cadet and is given credit for their academic survival by many graduates of his cadet era.

Graduating fourth in his class, young Lincoln won a Rhodes Scholarship and proceeded after graduation leave to Oxford University. Enrolled at Magdalen College there, he spent three fruitful years (1929-1932) studying philosophy, politics, and economics and traveling through the Western and Central European countryside which would later form the backdrop for the great campaigns of World War II. (*Continued on page* 39)

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Top: After receiving the Distinguished Service Medal from Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, General Lincoln receives a Cadet Sword from Cadet First Captain R. H. Baldwin Jr. in recognition of his numerous contributions to the Military Academy. 2d: Colonel Lincoln leading Major Robert Gard's "National Security Seminar." 3rd: The members of President Kennedy's "Advisory Panel on a National Academy of Foreign Affairs" report their findings, 17 December 1962. From right to left: President John F. Kennedy, Honorable Dean Rusk, Colonel George A. Lincoln, Dean Don Price of Harvard University, and Honorable Christian Herter, Former Secretary of State. Bottom: President Nixon's first meeting with the National Security Council on 21 January at the White House. General Lincoln, far left side of table next to Vice President Agnew. (Second from left, General Goodpaster '39, and far right, General Wheeler '32.)

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North Carolina and Tennessee educators being briefed on the Academy's curriculum.

New England educators discuss life at the Academy with a cadet from their area.

A cross section of New England educators visiting West Point—the author, Mr. Clyde A. Limoge, front row, second from the left.

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The Outsider's View

by CLYDE A. LIMOGE

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article is an impression of a guest at the Academy which describes the USMA Educator Visit Program.

Educators witness the Academy's teaching methods firsthand.

ONE morning in early February I received a phone call from Sgt. Estabrooke at U.S. Army Recruiting Headquarters in Concord, N.H. After the usual salutations his first question was, "Clyde, how would you like to go to West Point?" My immediate reaction was that the Sergeant had been standing too long with the troops in the hot sun. I informed him that I had done my tour of duty back in the early forty's and I was quite certain that West Point was seeking younger men for career officers. Sgt. Estabrooke hastened to add that this would be only a visit, so I accepted his kind offer. He stated that the necessary forms would be mailed to me to fill out and forward to West Point.

In due time the forms arrived. I complied with all requests and dutifully mailed them to Captain Paul D. Stanley, USMA, West Point, N.Y. As it turned out, I was the only member of the news media to make this particular trip. The group was composed entirely of educators and guidance counsellors, both men and women, from various schools in Vermont and New Hampshire. It so happened that Mr. Jonathan Osborn, guidance counsellor at Peoples Academy, also made the trip.

On Sunday, March 16, the Vermont contingent met at the Burlington airport where we boarded the plane that would take us to West Point. We then proceeded to Concord, N.H. where the New Hampshire group came aboard and after an enjoyable trip on "the largest unscheduled airline in the world," the U.S. Air Force, (this explanation of our airline service was made by an Air Force sergeant on the plane) we arrived at Stewart AFB, a short one-half hour drive from the Academy. There we were met by Captain Paul Stanley, a graduate of West Point and a man who, in every respect, exemplified the fine qualities that are found in today's career officers in the United States Army. Capt. Stanley was to be our guide during our visit. On our ride to the Hotel Thayer, located on the Academy grounds, he explained the proposed itinerary that would be followed during our stay.

First on the agenda Monday morning was a visit to the Cadet Chapel: a beautiful, imposing structure of granite designed in gothic architecture, (*Continued on page 41*)

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MAJOR NICK ROWE: OF

Major James N. Rowe, Class of 1960, tells the Corps the story of his five years as a Viet Cong prisoner.

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Attempted Escapes and Final Breakout

I BOTCHED UP FOUR attempts to escape. I had eight to fifteen guards. It's not so much the number of guards that are with you because I could walk out of camp anytime I wanted. There was no problem on that. But once you got out of camp, it was where you went.

Now we were six kilometers from the Song Trem River. If you went overland, you'd never make it. If you went in the canals, you had a good chance of making it. There were generally east-west, north-south canals, and the east-west canals would go out and join the Song Trem, which was a big river. Then it was just 21 kilometers swim down the Song Trem, and you were free. They had camps —they have a central camp and then satellite camps all the way around it, so anywhere you go, you're going to run into a camp.

I said I botched up four attempts. I really fouled one up, and I had to do some real quick talking. They let me use a boat to go catch fish, and the second day that I had

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it, I sort of got misoriented. I was on my way to the river, and I met my guards coming back from the market, and they wanted to know what I was doing four "clicks" from the camp with their boat and all my supplies in the boat. I told them I was lost, and fortunately they were very gullible themselves and the cadre were not in the camp at the time. I got out of that one.

This final one was fairly interesting. On the 22d of December when the B52s hit us, we were in a new complex which had just been built, and we were forced to move out of it. We were in a very fluid situation. There were three howitzers firing harassing and interdiction fires; choppers were putting in strikes and ARVN troops on the ground. The VC were upset.

We were moving from small bivouac to small bivouac, trying to avoid all the activity. On the morning of 31 December we were camped right beside a small canal and had two Cobras, about four LOHs and a command ship

Shown on the stand with dignitaries of McAllen, Texas, telling his experiences as a prisoner of the Viet Cong.

Before and after. Somebody put some beads on me and said, "You're a leader, Man, you're a leader in the movement."

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At home in McAllen, Texas, with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rowe.

come in. They were putting in a strike about 300 meters from us. They hit another camp that was right near us, a temporary camp, they "greased" eight guards; they wounded three.

The VC brought the remains to our camp. A minigun had been used on the guards, and if you wrapped them in cellophane you could have marketed them. They were really that bad.

There was really nothing left, and my guards were upset. This didn't do anything for their morale. They then heard that ARVN was putting troops on the ground, and this caused them to move out. They decided well let's go hide in the reeds, and so we moved across the canal and went into a whole field of reeds. Now this area was surrounded on all sides by canals, but they're one kilometer square, and we were going to go in there and evade the ARVN troops.

I had five guards and one cadre with me. The cadre I disliked in particular. His name was Mr. Sau. He was very arrogant. I called him Julius Salzer particularly because of his attitude. When these guys moved into the field, they were making a trail that looked like Fifth Avenue, and I knew the choppers would get on it.

We had this one guard named Porky; he was one of the particular cowards in the group, and he seemed to be a little more excited and panicky than the others, so I told him, "Well look Porky you're a good kid, and I don't want you to get killed. I'm not thinking of myself, but I want to save you." And I told him, "Well look we're going to break off from the main group, and we'll make a real small trail. The choppers won't see us, but they're going to 'grease' that whole other bunch."

And the idiot followed me. Porky had a burp gun, a PPS 41, the same kind they used in Korea. It has the banana magazine, and he had two Chinese grenades. Porky's a "rag arm." He could throw about five meters. I knew he wasn't going to throw the grenades because he'd kill himself too.

So my only problem was his burp gun. He had it slung across his back, and it was one on one, so there was really "no sweat." What I was going to do was to keep Porky running in circles so I could bring a chopper in to pick both of us up. Well Porky got tangled up in some brush, and it was a beautiful opportunity, so I reached up and triggered the release on his magazine. I dropped the magazine out of the weapon. This left him completely neutralized, and about 200 meters later he found out he didn't have a magazine in his weapon, and he went wild right on the spot.

He didn't know what to do; he didn't know where to go. He was looking at the choppers. He was looking at me. He was looking at the empty weapon, and he didn't really know what to do.

I said to him, "Drive on Porky, we're in good shape." So we kept going, and I kept waving at the choppers, and they kept going over us. Now these LOHs are nasty little things. They're kind of like a Sunbeam Alpine, and they fly right at the top of the reeds and with the prop blast they drive reeds open, and they have a minigun mounted right in the front. The pilot that's flying about 15 meters behind guns anything that the first one opens up. I was wearing black, that was very unhealthy in that area at that time.

After a while it looked as if the LOHs and the command ship were going to move off. It looked as if they were withdrawing. So it came to a question of whether Porky and I were going to go, or if I was going to go. Porky lost. Porky stayed.

I took his weapon and his radio, and I left him where he was. Porky didn't want to move at that time. I moved about 200 meters and then cleared an area out and was waving a mosquito net. I found out later one of the pilots who was flying the LOH was wounded, and he was in the Brooke Army Medical Center. I talked to him, and he said that somebody spotted me waving the mosquito net and said, "Look there's a VC trying to surrender." And some bloodthirsty fellow out there said, "gun him."

Well, Major Thompson was flying the command ship, and he's a very good friend of mine now, said, "No I'm going to go down there and pick him up." He told them to cover him that he was going down to pick up the VC. Well they got down low, and I had a beard about down to here. I hadn't bathed for about two weeks, and I guess if they couldn't see me, they could smell me.

He came down. He checked me out and said "Wait one, it's an American." He came in, and he shot a 180 degree turn, and he came in and picked me up. It was probably the most beautiful sight I've ever seen in my life. They took me out, and 20 minutes later I was in Cau Mau. One thing I think of most, when I got on the chopper the pilot said, "What's your name?" and I said "Rowe." He said, "Are you Nick Rowe?" I said "Yes." Then he said, "You've

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got a classmate on the horn." And one of my classmates was the S3 down on the canal running the operation. And I no sooner got on the chopper than I was talking to a classmate.

From the time that I talked to him to the time I got out of Vietnam I saw more classmates than I knew existed. But I got into Saigon, and I had this horrible beard and I hadn't bathed for two weeks. Somebody put some beads on me and said, "You're a leader, man, you're a leader in the movement." I subsequently shaved and got ready to come home, but that was the gist of how I got out.

On Three Execution Lists

THE EASIEST THING in the world is to die. You can die if you want to; you can die if you don't want to. And it just takes a little bit of effort to keep going. They'll try to keep you alive, but their means are limited, and they don't really have the ability or the desire to keep you going over a long period of time. It's up to you.

There was one thing that was really disturbing to me, I was on three execution lists. I was removed from the first one for reasons unknown. And in early 1967 I was on another list to be in retaliation for two VC who were going to be executed in Saigon. A Major, myself, and a couple of NCO's were going to be executed; however, the people in Saigon did not execute the VC, so we got to live, and I was going through their files just before I got out. I found a piece of paper that came from MR3 headquarters, and it said that Lieutenant Rowe because of his attitude was not going to pass the course, and I was to terminate on or about 30 January. This inspired me to leave. I was not too impressed by the program of events.

I think I might comment here, the interrogator that came out, we called him Goldie, he had a mouth of gold teeth. He was somewhat incom- (*Continued on page 42*)

Major Rowe with Cadet Munoz, from his home town, and Cadets Keith and Lentini. Below: Rowe presents plaque from 5th Special Forces Group to USCC.

Receiving the Silver Star and the Bronze Star Medal from Lieutenant General Harry H. Critz, Commanding General, Fourth U. S. Army.

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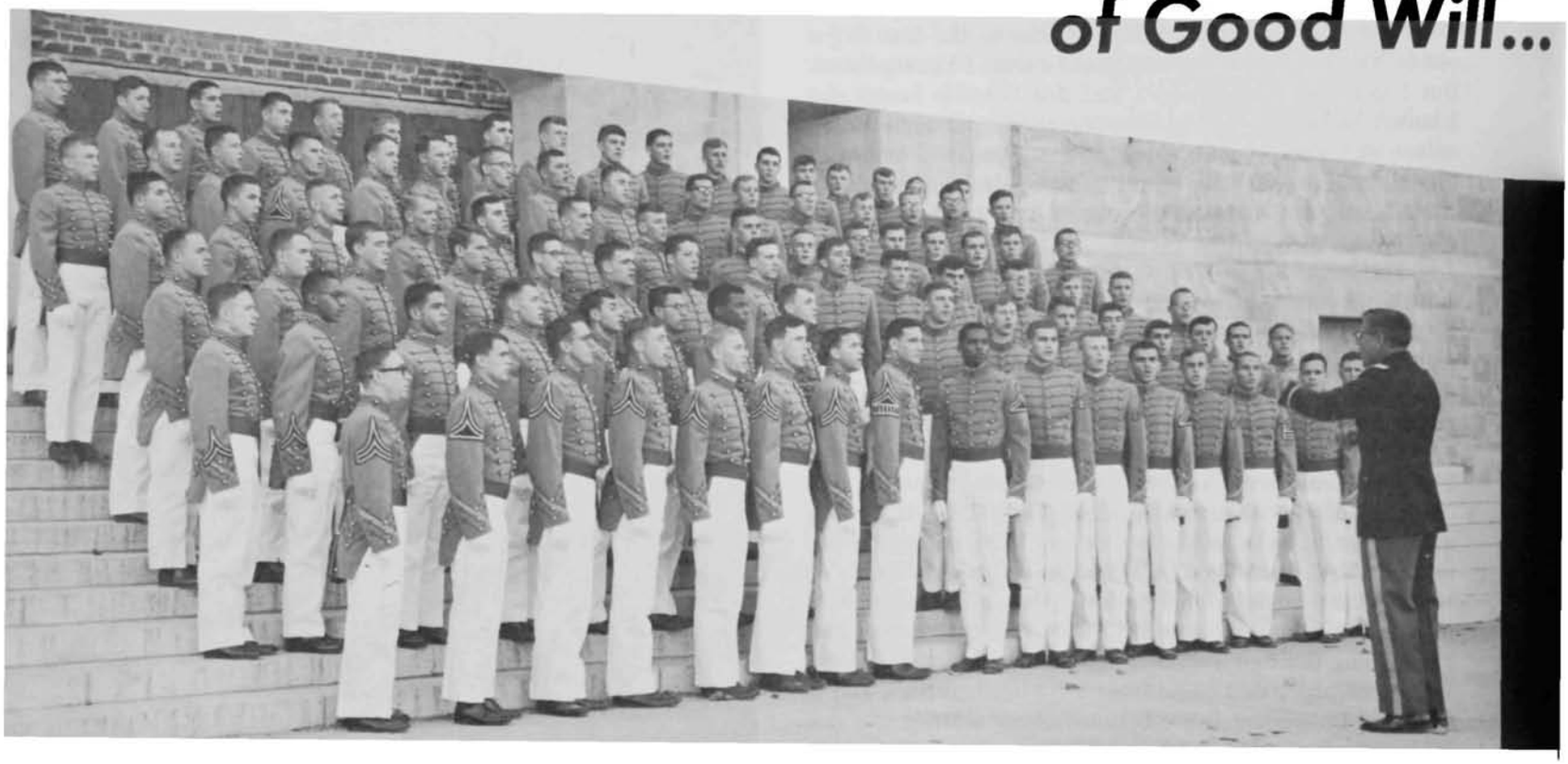
by ROBERT G. FINKENAUR JR.

Ambassadors of Good Will...



On the steps of the new Washington Hall.

"I believe no group could have done more to create good will and better understanding of the Academy." George A. Holton, an ex-cadet from the Class of 1927, stated in a February 1969 letter to the Superintendent to describe the impression the Cadet Glee Club had made upon him. His words express the theme of the innumerable letters which are received at West Point after every public appearance of the Glee Club.

It is noteworthy that with the exception of Army's football and basketball teams, no other cadet activity today enjoys the nation-wide recognition of the Glee Club. This reputation can be attributed primarily to the Club's frequent, although brief, appearances on national television.

Although group singing of non-secular music has no doubt been in evidence at West Point in one form or another since the days of Benny Haven's Tavern, a Glee Club did not appear on the scene until after 1900. Several attempts to form a Glee Club were made without lasting success. The first attempt came in 1908, and the Academy enjoyed its first concert in March of that year. By 1909 the Glee Club had disappeared. It made two, year-long reappearances in 1919 and 1928; however, it was not until September 1933 that a Club was established with enough vigor to remain a permanent activity at USMA. Members of the Class of 1934 were the fathers of that budding organization of 25 singers. Among the charter members was Lieutenant General A.W. Betts, presently the Army's Chief of Research and Development. "The Glee Club was started this year solely to fill a desire on the part of many for an opportunity to give vent to those majestic barber shop chords that must of necessity be suppressed in the more formal choirs."

From 25 members in 1933, the Club has swelled to a membership of 140. Its accomplishments in that span of time are numerous and noteworthy. In the dawn of the Club, its activities were limited to two or three on post concerts a year. The Club now schedules approximately

Members of the 1967-68 Club are shown with TV personality, Barbara Eden, after their concert following the opening of the new Madison Square Garden.

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WEST POINT GLEE CLUB

Cadet Glee Club appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show in May 1968.

20 concerts a year, all but three involving trips away from West Point. In fact the list of past concert locations includes Carnegie Hall, the Hollywood Bowl, the New York World's Fair, the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles, Boston's Symphony Hall, and Disneyland. On two occasions the Club has even traveled outside the United States to sing concerts in Montreal, Canada.

In its history the Club has been featured on several popular television shows: Perry Como, Kate Smith, Fred Waring, Bell Telephone Hour, Mike Douglas, and, of course, its numerous appearances on the Ed Sullivan Show. Well-known professional performers also have shared the spotlight with the Club on many occasions, including Dinah Shore, Barbara Eden, Martha Wright, Pat Paulson, Raymond Massey, and Roger Williams.

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Glee Club on a Mike Douglas TV Show, November 1968, backing up Pat Paulson in a rendition of "Aura Lee."

Glee Club on the Mike Douglas Show with, left to right, Dr. Joyce Brothers, Pat Paulson, Mike Douglas, Gloria Loring, and Allan Sherman.

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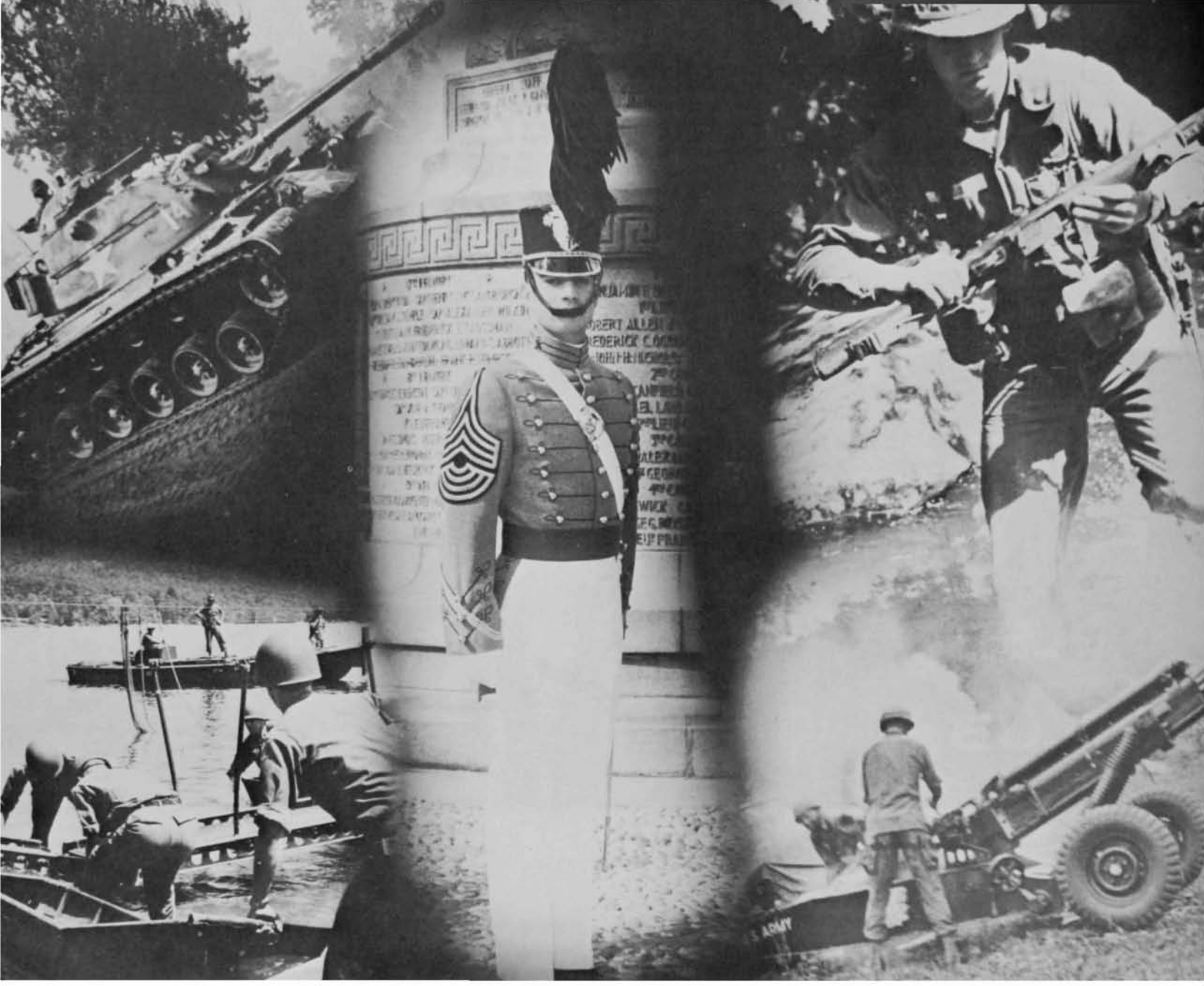

by Robert H. Marcrum

EVALUATION OF LEADERSHIP

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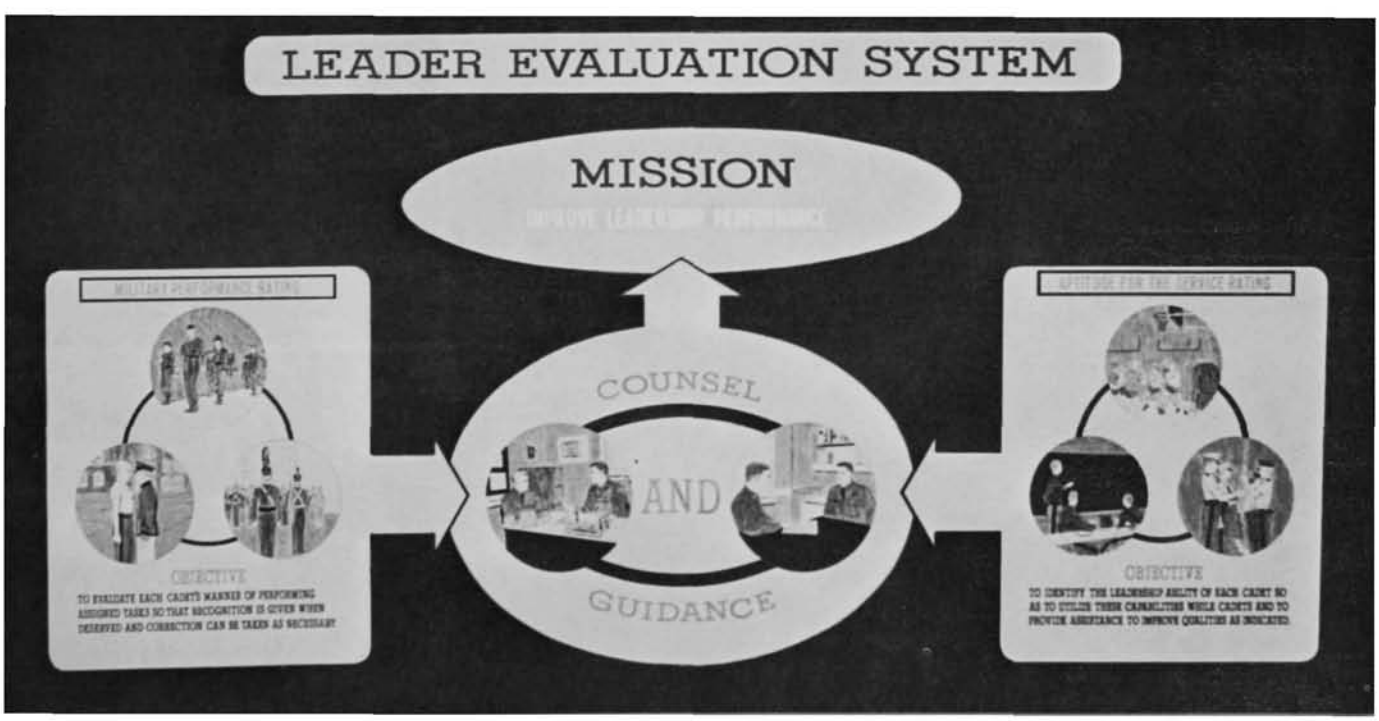
Leadership evaluation contributes to the selection of key members of the cadet chain of command.

THE Military Academy takes justifiable pride in its many graduates who have risen to the highest positions of leadership within the Armed Forces. How well the Academy is accomplishing its mission of educating and training cadets for careers as Army officers, however, must be based on the effectiveness of all graduates as military leaders. Because leadership is so critical to officer success, the Academy has been a pioneer in the study and use of leadership development and evaluation techniques. Much progress has been made through the years, and USMA proceeds with a growing confidence in the ability to produce graduates who meet the leadership standards required by the Army.

Leadership, in its broadest sense, is viewed as being developed through blending the knowledge derived from academic and military studies, skills derived from training and guidance, and attitudes fostered by indoctrination and environment. As a consequence, leadership development is a responsibility shared by many agencies of the Academy and must be carried out with a full understanding of the impact on the military professional of the contemporary and future world circumstances with explosive political situations and dramatic advances in weapons technology. It is necessary, therefore, to reassess continuously the cadet curriculum and training to insure that they remain attuned to the needs of the future Army officer.

Providing the graduate with an enlightened academic and military education is but one part of the problem. There remains the vital and unchanging need to develop in each cadet the qualities and attributes of leadership which have characterized the West Pointer over the years. In this regard, the Academy has recognized from its earliest days that the leadership demands placed on Army officers require more of the graduate than the mere mastering of certain academic and military courses of instruction. Only those cadets who demonstrate adequate leadership potential and meet the established academic and physical standards are commissioned as second (*Continued on page 46*)

Cadets are rated by their tactical officers, by their peers and during their military training.



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A TRADITION OF FRIENDLY RIVALRY...

ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE WEEKEND

FORTY-SIX years ago the joint efforts of General of the Army, the late Douglas A. MacArthur, then Superintendent of USMA, and the late Lieutenant General Sir Archibald Macdonnell, then Commandant of RMC, led to the inauguration of annual competition in hockey between the two Service institutions. It is reasonable to believe that the two distinguished leaders foresaw the growth of an international Service College rivalry characterized by keen competition and sportsmanship. In 1950, the competition turned toward the academic side with debaters participating in panel discussions. Two years later formal debates upon humorous topics—Resolved: "That the Wolf Pack is more stupid than the Wolf"—replaced the informal discussions and expanded the rivalry to another field. Pistol competition in 1954 and rifle in 1963 added a military flavor to the growing tradition which today generates a gala weekend with a mixture of sports, military, and social activities. In this year's welcoming message to the visiting senior officers and ladies, senior noncommissioned officers, and cadets from RMC, Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, spelled out the Academy's long draught in the earlier years of competition. " . . . I cannot help but recall that exactly 30 years ago, during my first year as a cadet, West Point defeated RMC in hockey for the first time in 17 contests." The Superintendent's remarks may have foreshadowed the results of the 1969 RMC Weekend. Army swept all events closing the gap in hockey to 17 wins versus 20 losses, tying debate at nine, and continuing undefeated against RMC in pistol with 16 consecutive wins and in rifle with seven. The joy of a win or the sorrow at a loss fades with the passage of time. What does not fade are the goals that General MacArthur and Sir Archibald Macdonnell sought—mutual respect and enduring friendship of the two institutions and their graduates.

RMC argued the affirmative side of: Resolved: "That The Wolf Pack Is More Stupid Than The Wolf," and lost. Major General Samuel W. Koster extends his congratulations to the visitors.

Cadet Captain and the nation's leading scorer Dave Merhar receives the trophy from Commodore William Prine Hayes, Commandant of the Royal Military College of Canada.

The ARMY Hockey Team on the move toward a 5-2 triumph.

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The senior noncommissioned officers of USMA and their ladies entertain their counterparts at the Noncommissioned Officers Club. Left to right: Master Warrant Officer Russ Morrison, Drill Instructor, RMC; Mrs. Alfred Kaczmarek, wife of USMA Command Sergeant Major; Pipe Major William Magennis, Pipe Major, RMC; Mrs. Oren Justice; and Master Sergeant Oren Justice, Operations Division, USCC.

Mrs. Samuel W. Koster dancing with Commodore William Prine Hayes at the Thayer Hotel Hop.

Members of the Royal Military College Pipe and Drum Corps march to retreat ceremony.

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To Get Ahead but a

General Gruenther '19, the principal speaker, Colonel Boone '07, the oldest grad, Major General Koster '42, the Superintendent, and Lieutenant Hale '67, the youngest grad, at the Founders Day Dinner, West Point.

Colonel Abbott Boone, Class of '07, as the oldest grad, presents his views on luck in a military career at West Point's Founders Day Dinner.

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Requires Hard Work... little luck helps

by Abbott Boone

THIS is the fourth time that I have had the honor of appearing before this assemblage as the oldest graduate attending. In doing so I recall that William Pitt, the Younger, when Prime Minister of Great Britain at the age of twenty-six, in opening an address to the House of Commons, said: "The atrocious crime of being a young man, I shall neither attempt to palliate nor deny." And so, tonight, I might paraphrase these words by saying: "The atrocious crime of being an old man, I shall neither attempt to palliate nor deny," but I wish it to be understood that I decline to be recognized as an old man with old ideas.

My first address as Oldest Grad concerned Colonel Thayer, praising his prophetic vision of this great institution which has culminated in the greatest military institution on earth. My second discussed General MacArthur's genius in reorganizing the Corps after it had been reduced to the Plebe Class only, during World War I. My third outlined the tremendous responsibilities resting upon Generals Bennett and Koster incident to the expansion of the Corps and the enlargement of the plant facilities.

Tonight I wish to speak on the subject "Luck in the Career of the Army Officer," or, in other words, "To Get Ahead Requires Hard Work, But A Little Luck Helps." This dual subject can best be illustrated by examples from actual cases in the careers of several officers, graduates of the Academy.

When I was a cadet I was on the polo squad and "Hap" Arnold of Air Corps fame was also a member of the squad. One day I was playing No. 2 against his No. 3 and we were both roughing each other up a bit, and suddenly his horse began to act up and Hap, losing his temper, struck his horse on the side of his head with his mallet. The polo instructor, a lieutenant, saw the incident and "skinned" Hap for cruelty towards his horse.

Shortly after that incident we were instructed to turn in our preferences for branch of service, and both Hap and I asked for the Cavalry, which I got but he did not. It was not until the middle of World War II that I learned the reason why, when in Hap's office in Washington. By that time he had risen rapidly in the Air Force and was both a General of the Army and Chief of the Air Force and I said to him: "Hap, why the devil didn't you get the Cavalry after graduation?" His reply was: "Because of that 'skin' the polo instructor gave me for hitting my horse."

Then he went on to say: "I was assigned to the Infantry and served in that branch until 1911, but I didn't like those 'footsloggers' and looked around for another job and found that there was a small Signal Corps Section which had a few airplanes. I applied for transfer and that is the reason why I am here today." And that, gentlemen, is a case of initial bad luck being changed into good luck and a great career.

Next, I might give an illustration from my own career. I was stationed in the Philippines in 1916 and was offered the opportunity of signing up for a third year. I stayed the three years and during the third year contracted amoebic dysentery such that when my regiment came back from the Philippines and proceeded to France, I was not permitted to go because I had been unable to shake off the dysentery. This was a case of bad luck which continued to be bad luck because I never got to go with my regiment, the old Second Cavalry, to combat duty in the San Mihiel Salient.

Another incident had its effect on one of our most distinguished graduates, General Eisenhower. He was lucky to serve under Major General Fox Connor as his Chief-of-Staff and one day said to him: "General, I am very ambitious for a distinguished career in the Army—what do you suggest as a means of helping to bring that about?" And General Connor's reply was prompt and to the point: "Have a ready smile!" And now the world knows that that famous smile helped to carry him through World War II, through two presidential elections, and to become eventually the most beloved man in the entire world.

May I turn again to another case of bad luck in my own career? I was in command, as a Colonel, of the Los Angeles Port of Embarkation in World War II and approaching sixty years of age. One day I received an order from Major General Gross, Chief of Transportation, to report for a physical examination because I was going to be promoted to Brigadier General the following week. I took the examination and passed satisfactorily. Then the next week I received a telephone message from General Gross' office saying: "We're sorry, Colonel, you're going to be retired, you're nearly sixty and it has been ordered." The message did not say by whose order, but I (along with some forty others) was retired right then in the middle of the war, and General Gross, my immediate superior, had nothing to do with it, I am happy to say.

Well, anyway, the above remarks will show you gentlemen that you must expect adversities and strokes of ill-fortune in your career and that (*Continued on page 49*)

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Cadet candidates come from throughout the U. S. Army. Some are combat veterans; others apply while in basic training. Right: Mr. Beasley R. King, a mathematics instructor at the U. S. Military Academy Preparatory School, takes time to explain a problem while correcting Cadet Candidate Robert A. Portante's exam. Seventy-five per cent of the cadets' time is in the academic area. Portante received an Enlisted Reserve appointment.

A Stepping Stone to West USMA

TWO Medal of Honor winners—Lieutenant Colonel Calvin P. Titus '05 and Lieutenant Richard T. Shea Jr., '52, along with Lieutenant Generals James M. Gavin '29 and Harry W. O. Kinnard Jr., '39, form part of the long list of U. S. Military Academy graduates who came from the enlisted ranks.

While the evolutionary methods of preparing soldiers for admission to USMA have transitioned from tutoring, to corps area prep schools, and currently to the U. S. Miltiary Academy Preparatory School, the purpose of further preparation remains unchanged.

The Preparatory School provides instruction and training to assist candidates to qualify academically and physically for the U. S. Military Academy. This learning also becomes the background for Military Academy work once the soldier achieves an appointment.

To be eligible for consideration, a soldier must be a citizen of the United States, of good moral character, at least 17 and not more than 22-years-old on 1 July of the year he plans to enter West Point, unmarried and not previously married, a high school graduate (four years of mathematics and three years of English are recommended), and medically and physically qualified.

Each August a new class begins at the Preparatory School. The application period is 1 January to 30 June. An enlisted man who meets the general requirements may begin the application procedure anytime in his military career. He does not have to finish basic combat training.

The first step is simply to submit an application, with his commanding officer's endorsement and a copy of his last medical examination, to the Commandant, USMA

Lieutenant Colonel Frank H. Duggins Jr., Class of 1950, Commandant, USMA Preparatory School.

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Cadet candidates visit West Point in the fall to get a firsthand look at cadet life. Right: Students prepare physically by participating in organized sports with ten team sports to choose from.

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PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Preparatory School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060. Details on entrance requirements and procedures are explained in AR 350-55. This regulation is an application for nomination to the Military Academy and includes an application to the Preparatory School and a commanding officer's endorsement form.

At the same time the applicant should arrange with his high school to have a copy of his academic record forwarded to the Preparatory School. His acceptance will depend on an evaluation of his record, proven physical fitness, and leadership abilities.

If a man is accepted for one of the 285 spaces at the Preparatory School, he will be transferred in time to begin the course in August.

The Preparatory School emphasizes academics, with particular stress on mathematics and English. In addition, a broad program of physical training and participation in competitive team sports build the student for the physical requirements of West Point. Also, limited military training, including a student chain-of-command, helps prepare the student for later military life.

Dances and other social activities provide diversion from the busy life of the Preparatory School student. And each year the cadet candidates travel to West Point for four days to get a close-up look at the school they hope is their future.

The United States Military Academy Preparatory School, as its name indicates, is a training facility. Also, as its name indicates, it has but one goal—to provide the Military Academy with students possessing all-round interests, men proficient academically and involved in student affairs and sports.

Social activities provide a change of pace on weekends.

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Bulletin Board

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

the summer issue by — 16 June
the fall issue by — 15 September

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.

Tallman Appointed Deputy Commandant

Colonel Richard J. Tallman has been appointed Deputy Commandant of Cadets, replacing Colonel Alexander M. Haig Jr. who has been reassigned to the Office Chief of Legislative Liaison.

Colonel Tallman received a battlefield commission during World War II while serving with the 42d Infantry Division in Europe. Entering USMA in 1945, he graduated in 1949 and later earned his second and third Combat Infantryman's Badges as a rifle platoon leader and company commander in Korea and as a battalion commander in Vietnam.

His varied staff assignments include G3 Plans Officer, 8th Infantry Division and 8th Division Airborne Brigade; duty with the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Department of the Army; Chief, Operations Division, and Deputy Chief of Staff G3, Headquarters USARV.

A graduate of the Command and General Staff College,

From the Grey Ghost to the Moon . . . Frank Borman returns to West Point

Back on the platform at the Academy, Frank Borman tells the story of APOLLO 8 with President of the Hudson Valley AUSA Chapter, Colonel E. W. Amick, looking on.

With the Superintendent, Major General Samuel W. Koster, and former Secretary of the Army Elvis Stahr.

After receiving the Academy plaque from General Koster.

In a gay mood with Colonel Red Reeder.

A reward of fame—pleasing autograph seekers.

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the Armed Forces Staff College, and the Army War College, he commanded the Second Regiment, USCC, before assuming his present duties.

Colonel Tallman's U.S. decorations are the Silver Star, two awards of the Legion of Merit, four awards each of the Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, and U.S. Army Commendation Medal.

He and his wife Evelyn were married at West Point Catholic Chapel after graduation in 1949 and have seven children: Stephen, USMA Class of 1972; Joseph, USMA Class of 1973; 15-year-old twins Martha and Mary; Susan, 10; Richard, 6; and Margaret, born 22 September, 1967. (Picture on page 33)

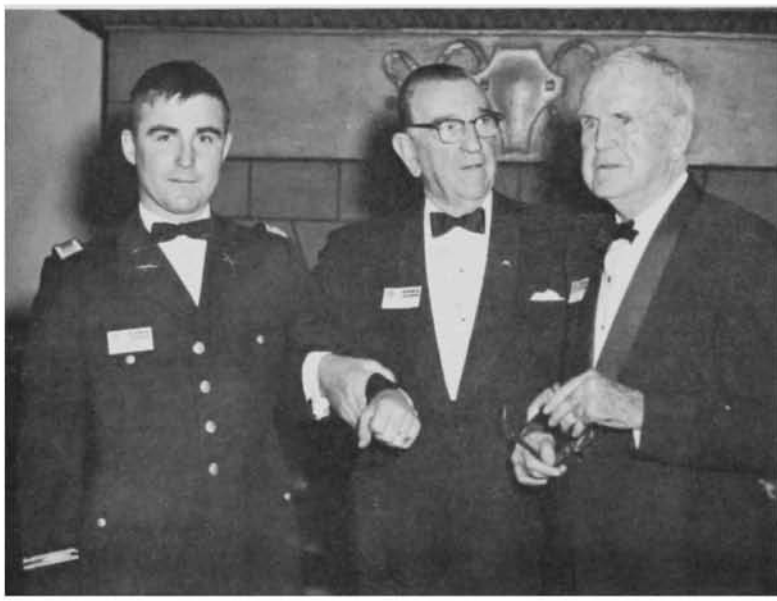
MacArthur Memorial to be Dedicated at West Point

Work is proceeding on construction of a memorial honoring General of the Army Douglas MacArthur. The statue of the General has been completed, and landscaping and construction of the memorial plaza will begin on 5 June 1969, immediately after graduation of the Class of 1969. Present plans call for a dedication ceremony in early September 1969.

On 1 June 1964, the Board of Trustees of the Association of Graduates unanimously approved a motion to undertake a memorial to General MacArthur at West Point. To this end the MacArthur Memorial Committee was formed, with Lieutenant General Leslie R. Groves (Nov '18) as Chairman. Three subcommittees were established to function under General Groves. These were: the Committee for Type Memorial, Brigadier General Paul W. Thompson ('29) Chairman; Committee to Select Sculptor and Architect, General Groves Chairman; and the Fund Committee, Colonel Edgar W. Garbisch ('25) Chairman. After agreement on general design, the process of choosing a sculptor began. The first step was consultation with the National Sculpture Society and other art authorities. From these discussions, and after review of the works of scores of American sculptors, the Memorial Committee narrowed the field to two. These two sculptors agreed to work for a year on models of MacArthur, then submit these models in

General Robert E. Wood, Class of 1900, enjoying Founders Day dinner in Chicago with Lieutenant General William H. Arnold, Class of 1924.

At the Founders Day dinner held at Fort Benning, Georgia, from left to right are Second Lieutenant Michael A. DiBennedetto '68 (youngest graduate present); Major General (Ret) Philip E. Gallagher June '18 (President of the Fort Benning-Columbus Society of Graduates); and Brigadier General (Ret) J. B. Crawford '11 (oldest graduate present). Both Generals Gallagher and Crawford served at West Point.



Mr. Thomas J. Fleming, author of "West Point, The Men and Times of the United States Military Academy," spoke at the West Point Founders Day dinner at Fort McPherson, Georgia. Lieutenant Colonel Philip S. Gage Jr., (right), Class Scribe for the Class of 1936, enjoys the author's humor.

Colonel A. J. "Gus" Dielens, the Academy's Director of Athletics, tells the West Point story as guest speaker at the Founders Day dinner at Fort Gordon, Georgia.

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competition. In June 1966, Mr. Walker Hancock was unanimously adjudged the winning sculptor. Shortly thereafter, the architectural firm of O'Connor and Kilham, which has designed a major portion of the West Point expansion, was selected as architect for the MacArthur Memorial. Recently, the construction contract was awarded to George A. Logan & Sons, from Cold Spring, New York, under supervision of Colonel Riel S. Crandall ('39), the West Point Engineer.

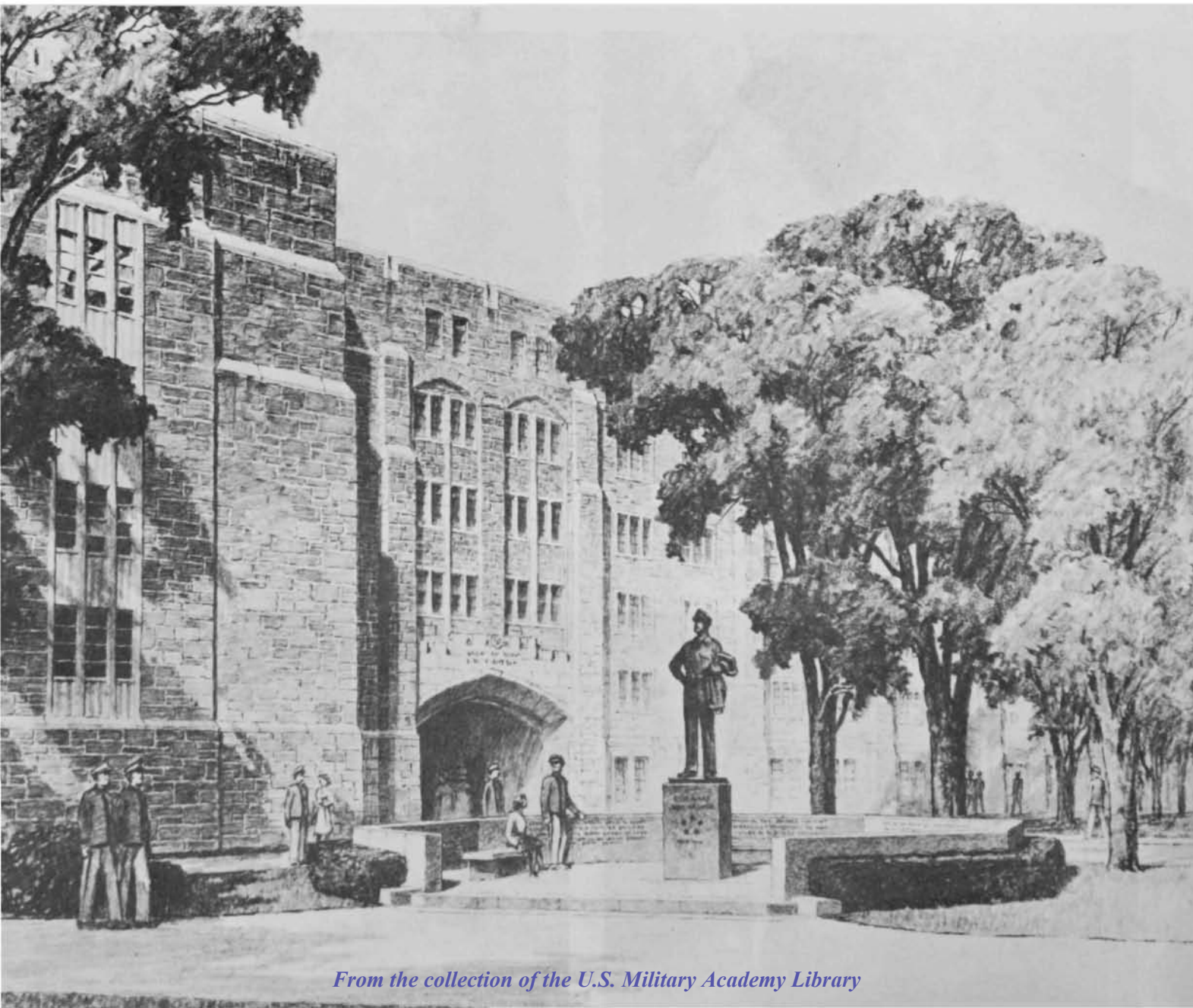
The MacArthur Memorial consists of a bronze statue of General MacArthur in his field uniform of the 1942-45 period, mounted on a gray granite cube in the center of a 45-foot octagonal gray granite plaza. The eight-foot high statue of the General portrays him carrying a jacket but without corncob pipe. The gray granite base is simply inscribed with the name DOUGLAS MACARTHUR and with five stars arranged in General-of-the-Army pattern. Trimmed bushes surround the outside of the octagon, while the inside faces of the granite are inscribed with some of the memorable phrases from the General's "Duty, Honor, Country" speech. Benches are provided for visitors inside the plaza.

The Douglas MacArthur Memorial will be sited on the corner of Scott Place and Jefferson Road, on the Plain side. Here, the General will be only 20 yards from MacArthur Barracks which has over its sallyports embellishments depicting his Pacific and Korean campaigns; 60 yards from the Superintendent's quarters, where he lived from 1919 to 1922; and 110 yards from the gymnasium, where the words, "Upon the fields of friendly strife . . ." have encouraged cadets to maximum athletic performance for four decades. The statue will be looking out at the Parade Field, where the General trooped the line as recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award on 12 May 1962. Thus, the lines of memory converge at MacArthur Memorial, interlacing West Point with the man who had such a great influence on its development as an institution.

Borman Receives Honorary Degree

Colonel Frank Borman, command pilot of the Apollo 8 Spacecraft, received an honorary Doctor's Degree from Dr.

The Douglas MacArthur Memorial.



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Harvey R. Fraser, president of South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Rapid City, Wednesday, 12 March 1969.

Borman was one of Fraser's students at the United States Military Academy and later joined Fraser on the faculty. A close personal friendship ensued, and the South Dakota honorary doctorate was the first Borman accepted, stating, "I wanted the School of Mines to be first. Dr. Fraser, in my book, is one of the really great Americans."

New Admissions Reception Room

Those who have visited the Admissions Office, especially ones who have brought a candidate for an interview, will be pleased to hear that there now is a comfortably appointed, quiet room in which to visit with guests. The former Headquarters Conference Room, adjacent to the Director of Admissions Office, is the new Admissions Reception Room.

The room is well furnished, private, air-conditioned, and has facilities for showing admissions films. All of the Admission's printed material is displayed for the visitors to take as they wish.

Visitors should come to the Director of Admissions Office, third floor, USMA Headquarters Building. If an appointment is desired, the telephone numbers are 914-938-3917 or 938-2604.

The establishment of the new facility does not reflect any change in the attitude toward using the interview as a device for determining qualification or rejection. Interviews are not required but are useful as part of the information-giving process.

U.S. Military Academy Blood Bank

The prior announcement on availability of blood from the USMA Blood Bank for the benefit of Academy graduates and members of their families is republished for the benefit of those who may have overlooked it in a prior issue. "Families" is interpreted in its broadest sense to include immediate family as well as step relations and in-laws.

Colonel Richard J. Tallman appointed Deputy Commandant of Cadets.

Frank Borman '50 receives his first honorary degree from Harvey R. Fraser '39.

Volunteer Debbie Dielens receives her cap from Lieutenant Colonel Luciana Jarma, Chief Nurse, U.S. Army Hospital, during the Red Cross Capping and Awards Ceremony at the West Point Chapel. In all, 41 volunteers were recognized for having completed the Red Cross Training Course. Mrs. Samuel W. Koster also participated in the ceremonies.

USMA Admissions Office reception room.

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The USMA Blood Bank has been in operation in conjunction with the New York Regional Blood Center of the American Red Cross since 1950. During this period USMA personnel have contributed 33,150 pints of blood. Fortunately, only a relatively small portion of this amount has been withdrawn. It is as a result of this "surplus" that eligibility to draw on this bank is being extended to additional personnel.

A nationwide network of Red Cross Regional Blood Centers and cooperating blood banks throughout the United States makes it possible to furnish blood to almost any hospital anywhere in the United States, Puerto Rico, The Virgin Islands and Canada.

There is no charge for the blood. However, hospitals usually require a service charge for cross matching and actual administering of the blood.

To obtain the required blood, first ascertain that the hospital at which the patient is being treated will accept blood from the Red Cross, and then call the Field Director, American Red Cross, West Point, New York, Area Code 914-938-4153, who will make the necessary arrangements for the blood transfer. In the event of an emergency situation in which blood has already been furnished by the hospital, the blood may be replaced on a pint for pint basis through the same means.

Tickets For Football Games

Seating at Michie Stadium for all home games will be by class seniority.

ARMY season tickets for the six home football games on the 1969 schedule will cost $33. The home schedule in the expanded Michie Stadium, which will have 11,000 additional seats on the west side by the opening game, presents New Mexico on 20 September, Texas A&M in the Homecoming Game on 4 October, Utah State on 18 October, Boston College on 25 October, Air Force on 1 November, and Pittsburgh on 15 November. Single game tickets will cost $6 each.

General Maxwell D. Taylor is shown with Cadet Kip P. Nygren (left), Deputy Commander, Corps of Cadets, and Cadet Robert H. Baldwin Jr., Cadet First Captain and Brigade Commander, following his address, "The Role of the Military Profession in U.S. Foreign Policy."

Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, pins the insignia of Colonel onto the epaulet of Colonel Stanley E. Reinhart Jr., Department of Electricity, during recent promotion ceremonies. Assisting is Mrs. Reinhart, while three of the Colonel's five children, Mary, Susan, and Cameron, look on.

Representatives of the Military, Naval, Air Force, and Merchant Marine Academies stand noon formation together during Academy Exchange Visit. Not pictured, but also present at the weekend were representatives of the Coast Guard Academy.

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Season ticket holders will be permitted to order on a one-to-one basis tickets for the Notre Dame game in New York City on 11 October, and the traditional ARMY-Navy game in Philadelphia on 29 November. Tickets will be allocated in accordance with established season ticket priorities. Should the orders exceed the number of tickets available, the Army Athletic Association reserves the right to make refunds on all unfilled orders.

The ARMY team will make but two road trips this fall. The Cadets go to Nashville to meet Vanderbilt in a night game on 27 September and to Eugene, Oregon, on 8 November to meet the University of Oregon.

Three of the 1969 opponents are newcomers to the ARMY grid schedule, bringing the number of teams met by ARMY to 156 in 80 years of collegiate football. They are Texas A&M, Utah State and Oregon.

Ticket prices for the Notre Dame game are $8.50 and $7. The Navy price remains at $8.50. It is anticipated that there will be no public sale of tickets for either of these two games.

Information about tickets and ticket application blanks may be obtained from the Ticket Office, Army Athletic Association, West Point, New York 10996.

Reilly's Battery by MacCloskey

Brigadier General Monro MacCloskey has added another book to the selective reading list of the Academy's history, cadet life, and the careers of some of its graduates.

In addition to his book, *How to Qualify for the Service Academies,* he has recently published *Reilly's Battery.* The latest book is the story of Captain Reilly and his gallant battery in the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection, and the Boxer Campaign. Captain Reilly's three lieutenants were West Pointers—Charles P. Summerall '92, Louis Ray Burgess '92, and Manus McCloskey '98—who all became fathers of West Pointers. Richard Rosen Press, 29 East 21st Street, New York 10010, is the publisher, and the book will be reviewed in the next issue of ASSEMBLY.

Roosevelt Lecturer: Lieutenant-General Sir John Mogg, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Army Strategic Command, British Army, talks with cadets during the General's visit to the Cadet Mess Hall on 23 April. Lieutenant-General Mogg delivered the annual Kermit Roosevelt lecture to cadets.

Toledo University ROTC Cadets, Kell Morton (left) and Al Stavish (right) observe the form of USMA Cadet Walter Strother (the Confederate) in loading the old Springfield Rifle prior to Tactical Weapons Demonstration. Looking on from the rear is Cadet Second Classman Vic Madeja.

Major Allen P. Armstrong, Department of Foreign Languages, presents the Class Ring of Brigadier General Eli DuBose Hoyle, Class of 1875, to the Academy on behalf of Brigadier General Hoyle's son, Major General R.E.D. Hoyle, Class of '06. Accepting the ring is Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent.

West Point Day: New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller prepares to sign the proclamation naming 16 March as West Point Day in the state. Looking on are (from left to right) Cadet Robert H. Baldwin Jr., Cadet Captain and Brigade Commander, Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, Brigadier General John R. Jannarone, Dean of the Academic Board, Brigadier General Bernard W. Rogers, Commandant of Cadets, and State Assemblyman Lawrence P. Murphy of Brooklyn.

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Basketball—ARMY Captain Mike Krzyzewski scrambles with a pair of St. John's players for a loose ball. The Redmen won before a capacity crowd at West Point and went on to play in the NCAA tournament. Army was in the NIT for the fifth time in six years.

LAST year it was written that ARMY teams played more contests and won more times in varsity intercollegiate competition. The same thing could happen this year, for with the addition of skiing as a varsity sport there is more competition and on the basis of another successful winter season, it appears that there will be more victories in 1968-69 than ever before.

During the winter months, ARMY teams participated in 147 contests, winning 107 and getting ties in three others for a percentage of .744. Two of the teams, indoor track and pistol, were undefeated.

Against the Navy, where fencing was added to make nine contests in the winter rivalry, ARMY came through with wins in six meetings. That boosts the current record

down the field...

by FRANK WALTER

to eight for ARMY, four for Navy and one tie. Still to be decided are the five spring sports.

A capsule report of the successful winter, where all 11 teams had winning records, follows:

Basketball (W-18, L-10) ARMY 51, Navy 35

For the fifth time in the past six years ARMY received a bid to the post-season National Invitational Tournament in New York City. The Cadets were the final choice in the 16-team field. But they were to go to the semi-finals for the fourth time in five trips. After big wins over Wyoming and South Carolina, the Cadets lost to Boston College to drop out of the championship fight.

Discipline and defense were the keynotes of this team which won its last six games of the regular season to get the NIT bid. Along the way, Captain Mike Krzyzewski and his teammates played the best defensive ball in the country for the second straight year. Tennessee was second in defense, and that same Vol team beat ARMY in the final day of the NIT to take third place in the tournament.

Fencing (W-10, L-4) Navy 20, ARMY 7

Although only in their second year as a varsity team, the fencers wound up in sixth place in the NCAA tournament at the end of the season. Navy was added to the schedule late in the season, and the Middies not only scored heavily in the foil (8-1) but stopped ARMY 6-3 in the epee to win. Two weeks later in the Easterns, ARMY's Ken Hetzler beat his Middie opponent in the final saber match, and that win edged the Navy out of the championship. A similar turn by Navy in the last relay had taken the outdoor track Heptagonals away from ARMY last spring at Yale.

Gymnastics (W-6, L-3) ARMY 155.23, Navy 147.88

After watching Navy win the floor exercise, ARMY came back to win the next five events and its eighth straight meet from Navy. A fine performance by Tom Kerestes in the side horse put ARMY in front for the afternoon.

The gymnasts came up with a winning season, although they found such powerhouses as Penn State, Temple, and Springfield too strong. Coach Frank Wells loses almost all of his present team, making 1970 a real rebuilding year. This season the team bettered its overall score every meet, indicating that Wells and Company can accomplish the task at hand.

Hockey (W-20, L-7, T-1)

This was the year of the scoring as the Cadets won as many games in a single season as they ever have and gave Coach Jack Riley his 250th victory since he became the ARMY ice coach some 19 years ago.

Captain Dave Merhar broke every record in the ARMY scoring book and finished as the leading point-getter in the

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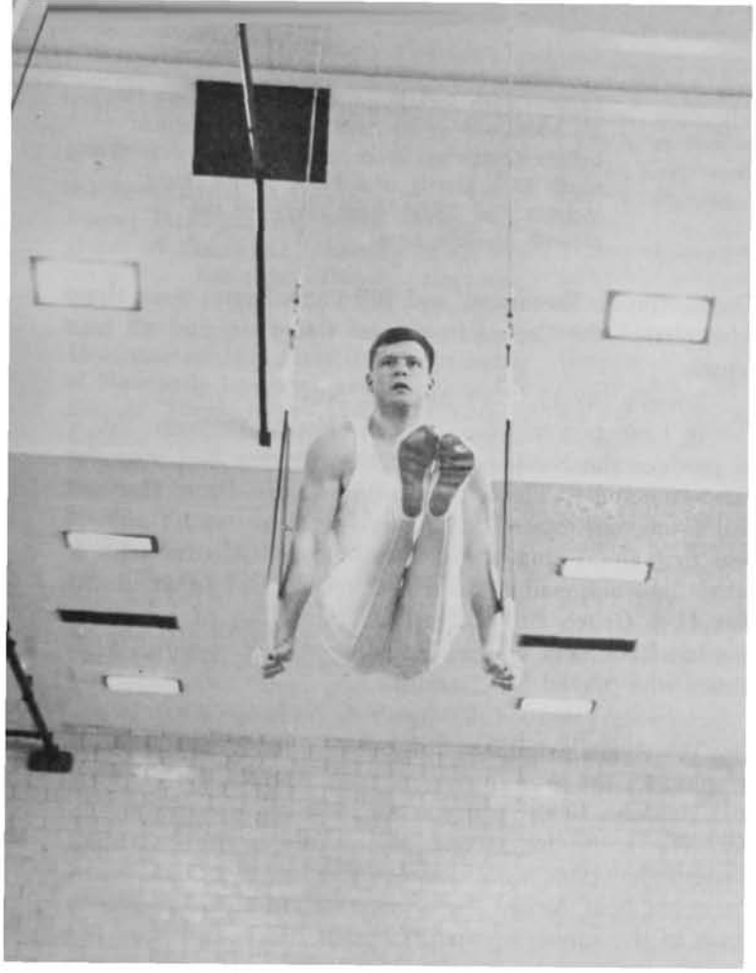

Gymnastics—ARMY came through with a winning season in gymnastics, including a win over Navy. The team showed a better score each week.

Hockey—Captain Dave Merhar faces off near the Princeton goal. The Cadets beat the Tigers on their way to a 20-7-1 season. Merhar broke all scoring records and also led the nation in scoring.

nation. He had 55 goals this winter and 54 assists. His two running mates from Minnesota, Tony Curran and John Ahlbrecht, closed out their ARMY careers by taking second and sixth spots respectively in the all-time scoring.

In the annual contest with Royal Military College, ARMY garnered a 5 to 2 victory. That made Coach Riley's record 14-5 over the Canadians.

A trip to Florida at the end of the season saw ARMY beat the Air Force twice, 12 to 4 and 8 to 0. Goalie Dan Scioletti got the shutout, the first for the Cadets in 55 games dating back to the 1965-66 season.

Pistol (W-12, L-0) ARMY 8301, Navy 8209

Take three all-America shooters and add four more who were to make either the first or second all-America team and ARMY comes up with another perfect pistol season. Coach Leonard Ross has yet to lose as pistol coach as the victory record now stands at 23 straight.

Jim Adamson, Phil Holden, and Victor Ross were all-America choices both last year and this year. Joe Sowa joined the trio on the first team and Jerry Mailey, Harry Thain, and David Kirby were named to the second team all-America for the recent season. ARMY received seven out of the 20 top spots. But next year will be a challenge for Ross and his son Victor who is captain of the team for 1969-70. All of the top shooters but Ross will graduate in June.

Rifle (W-6, L-3) Navy 1406, ARMY 1394

The Cadets fired their best score of the year but so did Navy, and that was just too much to overcome. It was the first time in six years that Navy had won. But with four of the five top shooters and a Plebe team which set a Military Academy record of 1402 returning, things look promising for Coach Edward O'Neill next winter. All five Plebes received varsity letters at the winter sports award banquet, the most ever in a single season.

Skiing

Newest of the 20 intercollegiate varsity sports, the ARMY skiers won all three meets in Division III and picked up valuable experience by competing in one Division II meet. Highlights included victories in the Western Division III meet at Cortland and the West Point Invitational at home. Four of the top skiers return next winter, and if there is enough snow in early winter to work on the West Point slopes, it could be a good year. Lyle Nelson, Bill

Pistol—Twice all-America was ARMY pistol captain Jim Adamson. The Cadets had a 12-0 record and now have won 23 straight. Adamson was one of four Cadets picked to the first team at the end of the season. Three others made the second team.

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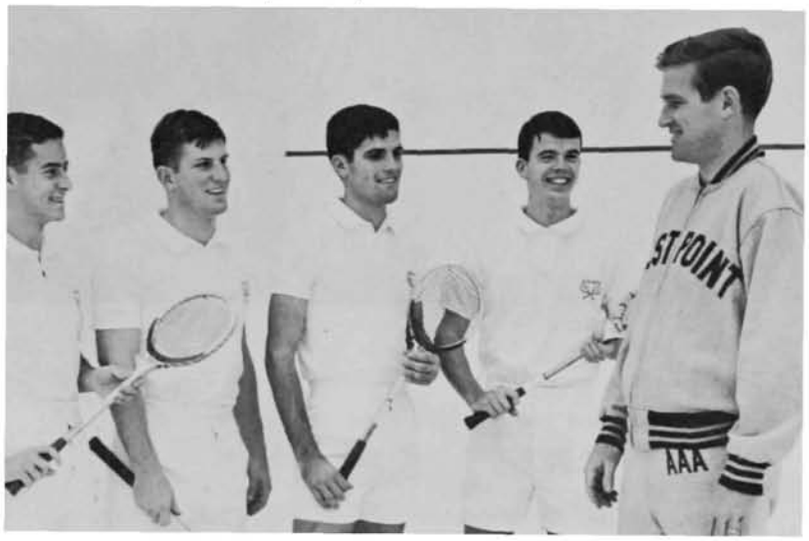
Swim—Coach Jack Ryan, whose team gave him his 100th win as the ARMY swim mentor just before Christmas, talks over strategy with diving coach Dick Morris and Plebe Coach Jerry Macedo. The Cadets beat Navy for the seventh straight time.

Squash—Coach Bill Cullen with the power of his 1968-69 team which had an 11-3 record. Bill Malkemes, Captain Ken Fleming, Rick Wilber and George Alcorn are shown from left to right. Alcorn and Malkemes played the top two spots.



Terrill, Chuck Thompson, and Bill Panhallegon were those who carried the Cadets to success this year, and all four return.

Squash (W-11, L-3) ARMY 5, Navy 4

It took power from position No. 3 through No. 7 to produce the Navy win after the Middies had won the first two matches. The big three Ivy schools—Penn, Harvard and Princeton—topped the ARMY but there wasn't anyone else that could stop the Cadets. George Alcorn, who is rated sixth nationally, had a 10-2 record and Julian Burns was 11-3. Coach Bill Cullen will have four of his seven regulars back next winter, including Alcorn and Bill Malkemes who played No. 1 and 2.

Swimming (W-10, L-3) ARMY 5, Navy 4

The ARMY swimmers continued to dominate the Navy, winning for the seventh straight time. And the Cadets gave Jack Ryan his 100th victory as ARMY coach in early December. The battle for second place, Yale is the consistent Eastern champion, went down to the final meet, and when Princeton beat Army, the Cadets missed their chance to finish in the runner-up spot. Captain Barry Kerr won the Eastern breaststroke title, and with Peter Heesch in the short freestyle events, they rewrote a portion of the record book. There wasn't a new mark made until the Navy meet, but from then on through March (*Continued on page 50*)

Wrestling—Captain Mike Nardotti grapples with a Princeton opponent as ARMY wrestlers go through a successful season. Nardotti at 160 pounds won this one as did the ARMY team.

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Rhodes Scholars

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the British Isles; Acting Engineer, Allied Forces Headquarters, North Africa; Engineer of Force 141 (planning of Sicilian invasion); American Deputy Engineer, 15th Army Group; G3, Plans, Headquarters European Theater of Operations; Headquarters 12th Army Group (planning of Normandy Invasion); and American G3 Planner, Headquarters 21st Army Group; General Bonesteel became Chief of Policy Section and later Chief of Strategic Policy Section of the War Department General Staff.

His special talents led to a further series of key assignments. He was a member of the U.S. Military Delegation to the United Nations Conference in San Francisco in 1945, and during the following two years War Department Representative at the Council of Foreign Ministers meetings in Paris, New York, London, and Moscow. Later, General Bonesteel was Special Assistant to the Undersecretary of State during the development of the Marshall Plan, and Special Assistant and Attaché to Ambassador Harriman, who was Special Representative to Europe for the Economic Cooperation Administration in Europe. Then, in turn, he was Executive Director, European Coordinating Committee for the Mutual Defense Assistance Program; Deputy Representative on the NATO Council; Defense member, Planning Board, National Security Council; and Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for National Security Affairs.

In addition to these demanding duties, General Bonesteel's command experience ranges from an Engineer company commander through Commanding General of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized) and of VII U. S. Army Corps, to his present combined command in Korea.

A third West Pointer, Brigadier General William Whipple, Class of 1930, summed up his experience of the value of an Oxford education: " . . . it was when sent overseas and assigned to General Staff planning preparatory to the invasion of Europe that I felt the greatest assistance from the years at Oxford. A general international background and knowledge of the political, economic, and geographic situation of the principal European countries was of prime and direct usefulness, both in dealing with our allies on joint staffs and in assessing conditions that would be encountered. The officers who arrived overseas with little knowledge of countries other than their own found it difficult to anticipate and deal with situations arising out of operations in foreign countries. The appreciation of British character and psychology was particularly useful in the SHAEF Planning Staff.

"After the German capitulation, military government established the control of economic and political functions, through an administrative framework largely military in form. Particularly as Secretary General, where my work concerned negotiations with the Soviets, British, and French, as well as the American and bipartite German control organizations, the Oxford training was of tremendous assistance."

Several interpretations on the worth of an Oxford education may also be expressed in the variety of careers and interests of other Academy Rhodes Scholars. Major General Alden K. Sibley, Class of 1933, devoted his three years at Oxford to studying nuclear physics and participating in an expedition around the world to measure cosmic rays. He has kept abreast of cosmic ray developments through off duty graduate study, and put his nuclear physics' studies to profitable use in major dam construction and in work on modern weaponry. "My background in mathematics and theoretical physics assisted materially in the solution of dam design, foundation, and soil analysis problems. Work on atomic and nuclear weapons and guided missiles for the Secretary of the Army and at SHAPE has involved much of the work on nuclear physics done at Oxford."

Brigadier General Bernard W. Rogers, Class of June 1943 and the Academy's Commandant of Cadets, has a career marked by highly successful command performance at company, battalion, battle group, and assistant division commander levels. In addition to combat assignments in Korea and Vietnam, he has served as instructor in the Department of Social Sciences, USMA. A combat Infantryman, he has generated maximum use of his soldier-scholar abilities on the personal staffs of the High Commissioner of Austria, the Commanding Generals of Sixth U. S. Army, U. S. Continental Army Command, the Far East Command, the Army Chief of Staff, and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His contributions and experiences have been Service-wide and world-wide.

Colonel A. A. Jordan Jr., Professor and Head of the Academy's Social Sciences Department, is one of several Rhodes Scholars to achieve this general-officer-equivalent position. In addition to his involvement in the advancements in USMA's curriculum, he, like General Lincoln, has lent his talents to assist in solving complex governmental problems. His special assignments include service on the Staff of the President's Committee to study the Military Assistance Program; Staff Director, Advisory Committee to the Secretary of Defense on Non-Military Instruction; Special Political Advisor to the U. S. Ambassador to India; and Director, Near East and Southern Asia Region, Office of the Secretary of Defense. He also has published works on defense policy and Asian affairs.

He is joined by seven other Oxonians currently at West Point, five of them USMA graduates.

Other Academy Rhodes Scholars have continued to pursue educational careers after retirement. Colonel Wesley W. Posvar is Chancellor, the University of Pittsburgh, Major General James McCormack was Vice-President of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Brigadier General William M. Connor is at the College of Charleston.

It is perhaps more noteworthy that standing in the wings are the young Academy graduates bearing the Rhodes stamp. If past experience is to be projected into the future, they can look forward to high command and staff duty. In all probability they also will be called upon to perform important duties requiring the keen intellectual perception needed to assist in arriving at solutions to complex military-political-economic problems. To name a few, Gillette, Hutton, Dawkins, Grinalds, Kanarowski, Miles, Montgomery, Budge, Graves, Hottell, Ritch, and Clark, are among the younger graduates to earn the benefits of a Rhodes Scholarship. And most recently, Jack Von Kaenel, Class of 1969, has joined this elite group.

Their special qualifications can be spelled out in Major General Charles E. Saltzman's words, "To win a Rhodes Scholarship is to possess Aladdin's lamp." May they rub it well.

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General Lincoln

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In 1932 he returned as a student to the Engineer School and proceeded to Colorado as a company commander with the 2d Engineers at Fort Logan. (His first command had been a British platoon on a short tour with the Royal Engineers while at Oxford.) While assigned in Colorado, he also served as the state's Construction Officer for the Civilian Conservation Corps.

In Colorado, Abe joined the Arapahoe Hunt Club (which chased coyotes), and met Miss Frederica Bellamy of Denver, whom he persuaded to marry him in August of 1936. As Abe has told it for many years, "Freddie loves horses and thought the best way to assure always having one to ride was to marry an Army officer!" Abe and Freddie now have a mountain home (with horses) near Denver.

After Engineer assignments, including initiation of the Bluestone Dam at Hinton, West Virginia, and service with the Huntington Engineer District during the 1937 Ohio River Flood, Lieutenant Lincoln returned to West Point to serve as an instructor under Colonel Herman Beukema, in the Department of Economics, Government and History. From 1937 to 1941 he taught economics and government (and also personal finance) to several hundred of the now senior leadership of the Army. In the process he not only stimulated the thinking of others but further deepened and broadened his own capacities for political, military, and economic analysis. He also coached debate at West Point in this period, his first two star debaters being Cadets Goodpaster and Dupuy. On completion of his tour

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at the Academy he was made Executive Officer of a Combat Engineer Regiment, in which he was serving when the attack on Pearl Harbor occurred.

After a brief stint as Director of the War Department Army Orientation Course at the outset of the War, Lieutenant Colonel Lincoln went to the European Theater to become the chief logistical planner with the headquarters preparing the support for the assault on Europe. After a year there, he was shanghaied by Major General Thomas Handy, Chief of the Operations Division (OPD) of the War Department and brought back to Washington to serve in that Division's Strategy and Policy Group. He subsequently became Chief of the Group, in the process of receiving his brigadier general's stars as the youngest General Staff general in the Army.

As Chief of the Strategy and Policy Group, Lincoln became General Marshall's planner, serving as the War Department Member of the Joint Staff and Combined Staff Planners. He served in this position through the end of hostilities in Europe, planning the redeployment of American troops to the Pacific and the modalities of Japanese surrender. The OPD assignment put Abe on the conference circuit to places such as Quebec, Yalta, and Potsdam. He later observed that he had "attended most of the 'wrong' meetings since Calvary."

When General Marshall awarded him the Distinguished Service Medal he orally cited General Lincoln for "tenacity in planning and negotiating the operations of global war and for wisdom in integrating its logistical and strategic factors."

As the Army moved into the hectic postwar phase and General Eisenhower replaced Marshall as Chief of Staff, Lincoln was asked to continue as Army Planner to wrestle with the chores of demobilizing our giant forces, occupying and then reconstructing former enemy countries and coping with the new problems of nuclear weapons, collective security, and the obstreperous Russians. He broadened his experience, also, by serving as Military Adviser to Secretary of State Byrnes at the Paris Peace Conference.

When the Academy was authorized a second professor in the larger departments in 1946, Colonel Beukema sought out General Lincoln, who was interested, both because of the great admiration he had for Herman Beukema and also because he sensed an enormous challenge in educating cadets and others for the tasks of adjusting to the new security environment. General Eisenhower first tried to dissuade him, suggesting a second star in lieu of turning his talents to a West Point professor's position. When Abe persisted, encouraged by his then boss, Lauris Norstad, Ike stipulated that he stay with Norstad until passage in 1947 of the Unification Act, and expressed his appreciation in a farewell note:

"As you leave the War Department I must express my warm appreciation for the great contributions you have made to our victory in World War II and to the national security of the United States. . . . I attribute in very great part to you a noticeable growth in the soundness and clarity of miltiary policy pertaining to U. S. security. . . . I personally have leaned heavily on your advice since my arrival here, confident that your solutions would be the best that hard work, outstanding intelligence, integrity and devotion to duty could provide. . . ."

Colonel Lincoln's imprint was soon felt at the Academy, for he arrived in time to help shape the program in social sciences arising out of the postwar reversion to a four-year curriculum. Drawing on the insights he had gained in his politico-military assignments, in 1948 he wrote the text *International Realities* for the newly expanded course in international relations. (In later years he and Norman Padelford of MIT built on this to produce two books, *International Politics* and *The Dynamics of International Politics*, which became widely used texts throughout American higher education.) He launched the first course in defense economics taught in American undergraduate education and, in collaboration with other departmental members, wrote the text *Economics of National Security* for the course—a book which became the definitive treatment of the subject.

In his frequent lectures to cadets, civilian college students, and war college audiences, Professor Lincoln stressed the importance of the new responsibilities which had devolved upon the U. S.; his favorite quotation, from Henry Stimson, expressed his own deep sense of involvement in educating the coming generation to the great tasks ahead:

"Let them learn from our adventures what they can. Let them charge us with our failures and do better in their turn. But let them not turn aside from what they have to do nor think that criticism excuses inaction. . . . the only deadly sin I know is cynicism."

Convinced of the importance of student interest in the learning process and dedicated to the ideal of liberal education, Abe moved both to develop advanced versions of standard courses in such areas as political philosophy, Latin American studies, History of Russia, and the Diplomatic History of the United States, and also to build an educational extracurricular program centering about a revived organization, the Debate Council and Forum—a descendant of the Cadet Debating Society he had coached pre World War II, which would permit cadets to reach out into new areas and to acquire fresh insights.

While Abe professed, Freddie maintained open house at Quarters 30 for departmental alumni, visiting lecturers, classmates, and a stream of other visitors. She found time, too, to contribute to a host of community activities, such as the Army Relief Society, Altar and Hospital Guild, Thrift Shop, and Girl Scouts. During these years of varied activity, Abe and Freddie reared four children at West Point: Fritzi, currently teaching English in Iran; Danny, now a Captain in Vietnam; Joyce, in graduate school at the University of Michigan; and Lorna, about to complete her junior year at Colorado State University.

Although he had given up direct responsibility for national security matters when he chose academic life, Lincoln recognized that an individual espousing realism and involvement in security affairs should refresh his understanding of those matters by direct participation from time to time. Accordingly, his years at the Academy were salted with such temporary duty assignments as Deputy to the Undersecretary of the Army, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, Defense Adviser to the U. S. Representative on the Temporary Council Committee of NATO, membership in the Gaither Committee, Coordinator for President Eisenhower's "Committee to Study the Military Assistance Program," member of President Kennedy's "Advisory Panel on a National Academy of Foreign Affairs," and a year as Special Advisor to the Administrator of AID.

Although he lectured frequently in various courses and occasionally conducted a seminar course, Abe viewed his mission of inspiring and educating cadets as best fulfilled through carefully selecting, preparing, and inspiring the department's instructors, the "cutting edge" as he liked to term them. One of the tenets of his personal personnel policy was emphasis on younger persons and on giving them latitude to exercise initiative. "Pick good people; pick them young before other pickers get into the competition, help them grow, keep in touch, exploit excellence; only people count in the end in getting the jobs done for our country."

General Maxwell Taylor, who was Superintendent when Lincoln was appointed a professor, summarized the results of Abe's approach as follows:

". . . As his presence as a professor became felt, it became apparent that the team of Beukema-Lincoln was accomplishing unusual results in the Department of Social Sciences. The Department expanded in many fields and began to attract increasing numbers of brilliant young officers into the ranks of its instructors. Its growing importance tended to provide a better balance for the scientifically oriented curriculum of the Academy and its achievements soon attracted the attention of the academic world at large. As the cadets exposed to Colonel Lincoln's influence became officers, some of the ablest returned as instructors in his department, thereafter reverting again to the line. Gradually they formed in the Officer Corps a group of officers with the Lincoln stamp and his outlook toward the basic issues of national defense. . . . Such

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men have become a national asset in preparing the Armed Forces to meet the challenges of the evolving world relationships as typified by the complex situation in Vietnam."

As Abe Lincoln retires, he leaves behind a legacy of solid achievement in the form of engraving on the minds of some 14,000 cadets and 250 officers who have passed through the Corps and the Department during his professorial years. His influence as an educator has also been felt in the civilian community, not only through his own books and lectures but also by the genesis through his colleagues of many books and articles (one being *Issues of National Security in the 1970's*, edited by Colonel Amos Jordan, a book of essays honoring his 60th birthday and contributed to by General Eisenhower and other former associates). He also contributed through such services as being a consultant to Princeton's School of Public and International Affairs, Harvard University's Department of History, and Denver University's Graduate School of International Studies. Dean Don Price of the Graduate School of Public Administration at Harvard University summarized this element of Abe's overall contribution as follows:

". . . He not only built the social sciences at the Military Academy into a close cooperative relationship with civilian universities but he brought his exceptional experience to bear as an adviser to those who were seeking to develop the capacity of those universities to meet their public service responsibilities. He had a major share in the success of West Point in becoming a vital part of the nation's general system of higher education, without sacrificing its primarly role as the training ground for military leadership. . . . Few public servants can claim to have combined so skillfully the thoughtfulness of the scholar with the effective achievements of the man of action. . . ."

It is fitting that Abe terminates his military career with an appointment which recognizes his contributions as soldier-statesman-scholar. As Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness he is not only charged with the non-military aspects of American security but also sits in the highest defense policy forum, the National Security Council, where his wisdom and experience can be brought to bear on the entire range of national security issues. Every member of the Long Gray Line will wish him well in this new challenge.

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Outsider's View

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having within its walls one of the largest and most melodious pipe organs in North America. While at the Chapel we were privileged to hear Mr. John Davis, the Cadet Chapel Organist, play this beautiful organ for us.

Next we attended an introductory reception extended to us by Col. William J. Whitener. After delivering a short historical sketch of West Point, he then proceeded to explain the reason for our visit and to dispel some of the myths that have become associated with the Academy over the years.

The primary purpose of this visit was to inform us of the Military Academy's plans to enlarge its present enrollment of cadets from 3400 plus to 4417 by the year 1971. He stated that the increasing complexity of the world scene requires that the military profession increase its core of officers to meet the demanding challenges of a rapidly changing world. He stressed the need for qualified young men between the ages of 17 and 22 who can meet the academic standards and physical and moral requirements necessary for admission to West Point. Young men who might anticipate a career as an officer in the Army as a way of life. Col. Whitener also dispelled my belief, and one held by many others, that West Point is a cold, impersonal and rigid place where everything revolved around the military. This became more evident to me and the group as our stay at the Academy lengthened.

Our next briefing, delivered by Lt. Col. G. B. McClellan, was on the academic curriculum. West Point, although its primary function is the training of future military leaders, provides a broad liberal education in mathematics, science, engineering, social sciences and the humanities during its four-year course. The Academy endeavors to provide sufficient military instruction, combined with physical and moral development, to form a foundation on which a West Pointer can build for the rest of his life. Classes are unique. They are small, 12 to 15 cadets in a class, student grouping by ability, help for those who need it, and insistence upon every student's active involvement in each of his classes. There is no tuition for full scholarships, and the cadet receives a compensation of more than $8,000 during his four years. The total dollar value of his education approaches $20,000. Graduated cadets are obligated to serve in the military for a period of five years. About 75% of those who remain in service attend some kind of civilian university graduate program ranging from English to engineering.

A tour of the library was next. At present it contains some 275,000 volumes, similar to any liberal arts college with the addition of a comprehensive collection of books on Military Art and Science and Military History. Over 1,250 current magazines are subscribed to as well as 37 U.S. dailies and many foreign newspapers.

Following the library tour our group then proceeded to Washington Hall, the cadet mess. We watched the cadets fall in and then each man was assigned a cadet who took him to lunch. The ladies present were taken to the officers club to dine. It is traditional that no women will eat with the cadets in their dining room. Having lunch with these young men was a memorable occasion and a far cry from the army mess halls of my service days. I had a chance to meet many fine young men during lunch.

After lunch the group was divided into twos, and we had the opportunity to attend an actual class in session. The class which Jon Osborn and I attended proved to be quite spirited and lively. The instructor, an Air Force major, had a fine sense of humor, and it was quite evident that his class showed an interest in the subject. The topic was, "The Courts and Their Procedure". For my benefit the major had the class discuss for a few minutes the freedom of the press. Believe me, a few aspects of this freedom were brought to my attention that I had not given much thought to before. I might add that the Air Force major was an exchange instructor, a procedure which West point follows with the other service academies.

One of the most interesting sights for me at West Point was the tour of the museum that followed the class session. There, depicted by uniforms, relief maps, pictures, displays and all the associated paraphenalia, was a vivid history of all of America's wars. From early Colonial times to the present conflict in Vietnam was a documented history. Mr. Gerald Stowe, the museum's curator, explained, as only a man who knew his subject well, the history behind many of these displays. I could go on but it is sufficient to say that I spent two very enjoyable hours in the museum, and I am quite sure that the rest of the group shared my enthusiasm.

Our next briefing concerned the Honor Code and System practiced among the cadets at the Academy. It's quite elementary: a cadet does not lie, cheat or steal. The underlying principle is truth, and the convictions instilled by living under the Honor Code and System developes the moral foundation upon which the professional code of ethics of an Army officer can be constructed. An Honor Committee is appointed among the cadets to see that strict adherence to the system is followed. The Deputy Commandant of Cadets monitors the Honor Committee and periodically senior officer members of the Staff and Faculty examine the impact of the Code on the Corps. But, generally, the cadets handle infractions of the Code among themselves. Conviction of a violation of the Code can result in dismissal from the Academy.

We were next introduced to an aspect of cadet life that I am sure would appeal to every young man and that was in the area of athletics and extracurricular activities. The cadet learns early that a future officer must be a many-faceted individual. In conjunction with the academic and military requirements the way is open for him to indulge in a great variety of sports and programs associated with his pursuit of knowledge. Some parts of the athletic program are an absolute requirement for each cadet, either intramural or

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collegiate. Winter is the least active season, but there is still basketball, indoor track, boxing, wrestling, swimming, gymnastics, hockey, fencing and squash. Spring opens with a full schedule of baseball, tennis, golf, track and soccer. And of course, fall brings the Army's best known sport—football. For the cadet who does not wish to compete in these sports there are others such as judo, rugby, Karate, sailing, water polo, scuba diving and a Cadet Sport Parachute Club that provides parachute jumping experience. Pistol, rifle and skeet shooting clubs find many followers. Last, but by all means not least, is skiing. This I am sure would appeal to many local young men in our area. It was my privilege to meet Mr. Frank Calamari, the ski coach at the Academy and our discussion on skiing and cadet life took up the better part of an evening after the day's busy schedule was finished.

The cadets publish their own yearbook, THE HOWITZER; their own monthly magazine, THE POINTER; a small handbook called BUGLE NOTES; and SLUM AND GRAVY, a sports bulletin, all as part of their activities. There is a Cadet Glee Club, orchestra, and a Cadet Combo for those who are musically inclined. There are numerous other activities that keep life for the cadet at West Point from becoming boring.

Later in the afternoon we were introduced to many cadets from Vermont and New Hampshire. I met a young man from Burlington, Cadet Rice, whom I enjoyed talking to very much. He was on the ski team so that gave us something in common to discuss. The men that I met were very enthusiastic about their life at West Point. The various questions that were asked of them were answered truthfully and without embellishment. Our group enjoyed this get-together with the cadets and I am sure that the feeling was mutual.

Dinner that evening was at the Hotel Thayer with many faculty members, officers and their charming wives present. Needless to say, the discussions encompassed about every conceivable subject; from military history to space exploration and from English to Russian, with a few odds and ends thrown in. All in all, it was a very enjoyable evening.

Tuesday morning after breakfast at the hotel, our group was taken on a tour of the rooms, or barracks. There are two men to a room with study facilities for both. I was struck with the cleanliness and orderly manner in which their living quarters are kept. Nothing fancy, but comfortable and well laid out for studying and rest. Study hours are from 7:30 to 11:00 p.m. in the room but permission to go to the library or some extra-curricular activity during this time may be granted.

After the visit to the cadet rooms we returned to the Administration Building where we were addressed by Brig. Gen. Bernard W. Rogers, Commandant of Cadets. His talk covered the Department of Tactics. He explained to us the organization of the Military Academy, function of the different departments, the Cadet Honor Code and other aspects regarding the administrative part of West Point. A graduate of the Academy, Rhodes scholar, career officer and a man of fine character, it was quite obvious that Gen. Rogers greatly impressed his audience.

Just before lunch we attended an Admissions briefing by Col. Manley Rogers. This was more for the benefit of the teachers and guidance counsellors present but I, nevertheless, did get a considerable amount of worthwhile information from it. First of all, the Col. informed us that any boy in high school who might be interested in attending West Point and following a military career should consider making his plans while in the latter part of his junior year. He should be able to meet the Physical Aptitude Examination requirements. He should stand in the upper portion of his class, and have scored well on standardized tests. He should contact Admissions at West Point. He should check with his Congressman or Senator to see about Congressional nominations. This should be done in the spring of his junior year. My advice besides these procedures would be for the young man to talk with his guidance counsellor or teacher, who can help him immeasurably in gaining admission to the Academy. It really isn't as difficult to get into West Point as many people might believe. I was quite surprised to learn this.

The last place we visited before our flight home was the gymnasium. The gym has five floors with numerous basketball courts, indoor track, swimming pools, an obstacle course, boxing and wrestling rings and a variety of athletic equipment where the cadet may develop a strong body and prepare him for his future role as a soldier.

The time had then arrived for us to depart. We returned to the hotel, picked up our luggage, and then the bus took us back to Stewart AFB. There we said goodbye to Capt. Stanley, thanked him for a most enjoyable time, and boarded the plane for home, arriving in Burlington late in the afternoon.

I can say in all sincerity that I enjoyed every part of my trip to West Point and in closing, I want to thank all those persons involved for the gracious treatment I received while their guest.

I was greatly impressed with the buildings at West Point. They are of superb military Gothic architecture and each conforms with the other in design and structure to form a symetrical pattern that is extremely beautiful. They give the impression of strength and solidness that is befitting the institution they represent.

In the classroom I was quite taken by the excellent facilities, small classes, the evidence of audio-visual aids, the seriousness of purpose of the cadets and the dedicated officers and instructors.

In my opinion the Admissions policy favors the admission, numerically at least, of young men from small schools in Vermont as opposed to the larger schools in urban areas. According to the number of Congressional appointments in Vermont and New Hampshire this would appear to be so.

I was surprised to learn that only about 80 hours of military textbook instruction is given during the academic year. However, the months of July and August are spent at Camp Buckner near West Point where the cadets undergo rigorous field training exercises with units of the regular Army.

I was always under the impression that West Point stressed the military. This is not necessarily so. The fact that the cadets live under military discipline, calculated pressure and a Code of Honor, they nevertheless receive an excellent liberal education that is comparable to the finest universities in the country.

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petent, I felt. And he was one of the first ones I came in contact with. I did play games with him. I lie a lot. This is something I didn't learn here (West Point), but with them I thought it was valid. In the Code of Conduct it says I will evade answering questions to the best of my ability, and the only thing I could come up with was to lie to them, and Goldie was very gullible. As a result I think when he found out about some of the things I told him—maybe he checked a little bit later—he found out that his right leg was about three feet longer than his left leg. It had been pulled quite often.

The Story of Nick Rowe

THIS IS SORT of a unique experience for me. The last time I was here I was on the Dean's other list and spent most of my time on the area. I'm glad I'm in an audience of friends today. Actually coming back here to speak is a privilege for me; however, for those of you who have aspired the same type of privilege, I would not encourage you to do the same thing I did in order to be able to come back.

What I would like to do today is make you aware of some of the lessons which I learned in my somewhat overextended stay with the Viet Cong—primarily, because in a few short months you are going to be dealing with this problem.

A little background—I was with B Company, 5th Special Forces Group in 1963. I've been with Special Forces since 1961. After graduation I went through Airborne and Ranger. I went through the Artillery Basic Course, and there were several renegades in the class. We went Special Forces from Artillery. I subsequently went to the Army Language School, and the Special Warfare Course.

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I completed all of the training cycles which they had, and in July of 1963 I was sent to South Vietnam to a small camp which was in the Mekong Delta. The name of the camp was Tan Thieu. It was about 26 kilometers from nowhere. We were in an area that was pro VC.

The reason we were there is that they were building a road between CaMau and CanTho, and our camp lay on the road, and they were going to have us pacify and secure this area so that they could build a road through there. The first team that went through—the pioneer team—took five months to get into the area. It took them one month to build a portion of the camp; and then, they left country, and we took over.

Now we moved into the area as an A Detachment of 12 men, and when we got there, we had 120 strike force personnel. These are Vietnamese indigenous to the area, and we were training them to fight guerrilla warfare in that particular area. When I was captured in October 1963, we had 520 strikers. We had almost a battalion-size force, and this was the reason the VC attacked us. We were getting to the point that we were strong enough to hurt them, and they decided "to do us in."

The events which surrounded the capture: on 29 October 1963, we went on a patrol with three strike force companies. We had one company which was an assault force. I was with this company. We had two others which were an ambush force, and we had one other American advisor with them. There were three American advisors with the assault company. We were going into a village reported to have had a VC unit of small size. They said it was an undetermined size but nothing really bad. "Just go in there and bump them—either make them run or kill them." And we assaulted the village with the plan being for us to hit it with the assault company. The VC were going to "bug out," we knew this, and we thought they were going to run into our ambush. But they ran the other way. They left our two companies sitting out there on an ambush post with nobody coming through.

My counterpart, who was a Vietnamese second lieutenant, decided to pursue. Now, this was something that turned out to be rather fatal. We pursued a group that was about platoon-size with our company, and we ran into a main force battalion with 11 companies and over 1000 men. We had 154 in our company, and of the 154 I think six got back to camp. Three Americans were captured, and the rest were left in the area. In this patrol, Captain Humbert Versace, Sergeant Damon Pritchard, and I were captured. This began my rather overextended stay with the VC.

In the period of time that I spent with them I learned to look at them more as individuals rather than as a sort of a faceless mass. Every time in Tan Thieu you only saw them at night, and if they came close enough so that you could get a look at them, it was too close. While I was with them, I took a rather good look at them. I began to study them—to learn exactly what made them tick: how they thought, why they thought what they thought, and what was motivating them and driving them. Based on their performance in Vietnam, I think it goes without saying, they are probably the most dedicated, the most loyal, the most fanatical enemy that we have ever faced.

I'll deal first with the cadre—their officers who are responsible for the political indoctrination, the military indoctrination, and the training of all guards and all soldiers. The ones that I encountered were between 40 and 50 years old. Most of them had been rear rank privates with "Uncle Ho" back when he fought the Japanese and during the first revolution which began in 1945 and ended in 1954. They'd worked their way up through the chain of command, as such, and had become cadre.

All the cadre were Communists. They were devoted, they were loyal, they were well educated, well versed in the subjects they were to teach, and they were inspired. They believed so strongly in what they were doing that they communicated well with the people whom they were trying to instruct—these are the guards, the soldiers, and the people at lower levels.

The guards themselves divide into two time-frames—prior to the 1968 Tet offensive and after the 1968 Tet offensive. Prior to the 1968 offensive the guards were between 24-36 years old. Most of them had military experience. They were well trained—this is relative to the normal troops over there. In our camp, I had a guard squad—a squad plus—between 15-20 men, most of the time. After the 1968 Tet offensive, I had about eight guards. Their ages dropped—I'd say in the teens. We received a lot of 12, 14, 16-year-old fillers. Now the older guards had disappeared. I heard they were on R and R; I heard they were TDY in Cambodia. Nobody ever said they "bought the farm," but this was obviously what happened. They never came back.

This is the way it worked with the guards that were in our camp. They would go to one of the hard core VC battalions during combat; then they would return, those of them who were going to return. They would come back to the camp as a rest area and double as guards.

Now, we always had at least five or six guards in the camp. The guards themselves underwent a very strenuous political indoctrination. Their political and their military training were inseparable. Their military is a means of achieving a political goal. They were taught the Marxist doctrine based on the Lenin revision thereof; basically this is that historical evolution is not going to happen just because it is historically destined to happen—you have got to cause it. This is brought home to them in all their classes, which they attend every day—every morning and every evening. They are well aware of the world situation, but only from their viewpoint.

The guards are indoctrinated in this manner. They have a discussion on every problem that exists in the world; for example: General De Gaulle's news on the Vietnam problem—support or non-support of the National Liberation Front. For instance, 12 guards and one cadre will sit down in a little circle—they have tea and cookies. The guards will discuss this problem. The way they do it is the cadre or the emergent leader within the group will give background material on a problem. This background material will be exactly what the National Liberation Front wants them to know about the problem. They have no basis for comparison, no facts from which they can draw their own conclusion. They take what is given them.

The cadre then gives them a brief outline, a synopsis of the party line so to speak—the views of the National Liberation Front or the Viet Cong on this particular subject, and then each of the guards is allowed freedom of speech. They discuss it. Every man is required to make a statement—to state his opinion concerning this problem. Now, put yourself in their place. You don't have anything to draw from your own experience, you have heard a background from a cadre, you heard the party line, and then somebody asks you, "Now, what do you think about it?"

What the guards come out with is basically the party line with one or two original thoughts inserted into this party line framework. The cadre, talking in turn, takes mental note of everything they have said, and when they have all spoken, sums up the viewpoint of the group, which, in effect, is the viewpoint of the National Liberation Front. Now, the cadre takes all of their views and fits them into the framework. Put yourself in the place of one of the guards. He sits there; he listens to it. He hears his opinion which is based on the Front's opinion, and then he hears this whole thing summed up again, and in his mind he is relating what he said to the party line. So when they finish everyone is pretty much in accord with what the Front thinks. The guards are then required to go back to their "hooch" and write what they have learned from their discussion. The final products are a group of guards who are totally in accord with the party line.

I have listened to this on numerous occasions—the same pattern every time, the effect was the same every time. If there was a dissenter, the cadre took him aside by himself and gave him private lessons on what to think.

I believe it would be a mistake to omit the people in any discussion of the Viet Cong or the number of people who sympathize with the Viet Cong. I think you can say that the majority of the Vietnamese people wish to be neutral. They want to be left alone, they want to till their rice land, they want to live, and they would like to have a democratic type freedom—no threat of death. They do not know about Democracy; they do not know about Communism. A parliament, a government, a congress, a constitution mean

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very little to them because they have had no contact with them. They only want to live in their particular area, have village economy, their own particular village chief, village council. They see no further than this, because most of them have not been out of their village. If they have been out of their village, they have only been to their district. They know nothing of world politics, they know nothing of the conflict between Communism and our form of government within the world. The problem that exists is that neither side will allow them to be neutral. If one supports the government, the Communists kill him. If he supports the Communists, then the government gets him. So, the people are caught in the middle.

They have had warfare on their land for 24 years. They are very long-suffering. They would like to be left alone, and the people would like to have peace, but they are unable to have it.

Some facts which are related to this—Number One, the people are very concerned about who can protect them against whom. If the government can protect them against the VC, then the people will follow the government—not for political reasons but for safety's sake. Conversely, if they are in an area which is controlled by the VC, they'll follow the VC because if they don't, they're dead. This is the problem that exists.

Right now a ray of hope which is appearing is that the war effort which the VC forced the people to support is becoming so burdensome that the people find they no longer support the VC. The VC not being the government in power can promise the sun, the moon, and the stars, and they don't have to come through with anything at the moment. At the same time they can point their fingers at the government in Saigon and say they're not giving you democratic freedom, they're not allowing you to do this, they're not allowing you to do that, they're taxing you. They can really "cut down" on the government in Saigon, and yet at the same time they have no requirement to produce themselves.

The one thing they do promise the people, and you realize that most of the people in Vietnam are peasants—peasant farmers—they promise them land. This is of utmost importance to the Vietnamese people—land on which they can grow their crops, they can grow their rice, which to them is their livelihood. This is their whole life. But a fact here is that the VC now require the people to contribute to the revolution two-thirds to three-fourths of what they produce. So the people are discovering they are giving away more than they ever had before. They actually have less now than they had before, and if the government in Saigon with our help can guarantee safety to these people, I think you will find that more and more of them cross over and join the government cause. Again, not for political reasons initially but just by virtue of the fact that they can live in safety—this is of utmost importance to them.

One thing that I thought was of interest was the war from the VC standpoint. As a POW you don't hear any western news sources. All you hear is Radio Liberation, Hanoi, Hanna, Radio Peking, you get the Liberation newspaper, you get the Liberation news bulletin, all sorts of good stuff—no comics on Sundays—nothing like that—very dry reading, but they only give you their side of the story.

I'll give you a couple of examples of this. In North Vietnam the United States "lost 3,247 aircraft to include six B-52s and three F-111As. We lost 187,000 U.S. troops killed after the first Tet offensive; we lost more tanks than we had in Vietnam. No matter how many people we had killed, wounded, or missing in action, we always had 525,000 Americans in Vietnam which meant that 'repple-depple' were really pushing people in."

Now they never considered this, they sort of ignored it, but there were little inaccuracies which always occurred that gave us an indication that what was coming through was not exactly correct, but they wouldn't let us get any western news broadcasts whatsoever.

From the United States we heard about the dissension, the anti-war movement, the riots on campus, the racial violence. We heard numerous comments by Senators and Congressmen condemning our effort in Vietnam. We heard about the draft card burners, we heard about the dissenters or the draft dodgers. All of this was designed to actually destroy our faith in our own country.

This was probably the most devastating portion of their indoctrination. Primarily because when we received information from their sources, this was from Hanoi, from inside South Vietnam, Radio Liberation and all that, you can cut it by 90 per cent, and you still received a pack of lies. When they start quoting UPI, AP, *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Washington Post*, and members of our government saying we're wrong, let's get out, this was something that really got to us, primarily because we knew why we were there. We knew whom we were fighting, we had no gripe coming because we had volunteered, and yet we could see where there were those in the United States who were saying we made a mistake. And we worry that possibly there are enough of these people so that the government will react and say well we did make a mistake, and if we pulled out then all the people we've lost, all the effort in Vietnam goes for nothing.

And I think right now the question is not, "why we're there or how we got there because we're there." I think the major issue now is, "How can we win?" I think we owe something to the Vietnamese people, and I think it is this—the right for them to be free. The right for them to live in a democracy. They don't understand it now. In fact they don't even know what it is, but there will be a day in the future when they will want to live in a democracy. They never had one. They don't even know what it is. They've been dominated by foreigners from time immemorial. However, if we pulled out, if we leave Vietnam as it is now, and let the Communists take over, then we have denied these people Democracy because under Communism they'll never have it.

We've been there for quite a number of years. We've done a lot to destroy the country. We fought a lot of battles in a lot of villages, and there are a lot of villages that are no longer on the map. But the fact remains that if we're there, we can rebuild that country. We can help them rebuild, I think, which is most important, and if we pull out then we lose not only our people, our effort, but they lose their democracy or their chance for freedom of democracy in the future.

The Viet Cong during the period of time that I was with them had a two-fold mission with the POWs. Number One was to gain as much propaganda value as possible from the POW while he was a prisoner and secondly to try and actually convert him to their way of thinking and make him turn his back on our form of government, on our economic system. They believe so strongly in what they are doing that they feel they can actually make a POW think the same way.

The thing that they do not take into consideration, however, is the fact that as an American you have a background. You are able to judge for yourself. They can feed you any sort of facts. You can come up with your own conclusions.

They're fed facts; they accept them. And I characterize it by saying there is no need to understand, just memorize, repeat, and believe. This is actually the way they function. They reduce it to the most common denominator, the lowest common denominator. They feed it to their people; they memorize it. If anyone asks the people, they repeat it, and they believe it. This is why they do not have too much effect with Americans because we are able to judge for ourselves, to form our own opinions.

The propaganda which they use was based on the following: Number One, that the Geneva Agreements had been violated in 1954, the country was still divided along what was to be a provisional boundary line, that the government of Ngo Dinh Diem was a puppet government, that the United States is an aggressor in South Vietnam, and the Viet Cong are fighting for national unification and liberation of the fatherland, and "Uncle Ho" for President.

This is the big plan. In other words, they picture us as foreign aggressors trying to set up a new colony in South Vietnam, saying that what we are planning to do is establish a military base in South Vietnam from which we can invade North Vietnam and China. They push hard on this. And the big problem is that very few people have come in contact with Americans and very few people understand Americans.

The other point they push is that the American effort in Vietnam is futile. They say that our effort is crumbling, that we

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have nothing which will gain victory, that they can prolong the war to the point that we will have to withdraw. I think they are working primarily on the aspect of public opinion. My cadre made the statement to me, "We do not hope to defeat the United States militarily, but by influencing world public opinion, we can force them to withdraw." They made an evaluation of the stituation, and I think they are very well aware of the fact that militarily they cannot defeat us. But, if they can influence public opinion, they can overcome us. They are working on the theory of protracted war of Mao Tse-tung, and this is what they are hoping for.

I feel that some of the points they make about the Americans might be very interesting. They do not know really too much about Americans, and among them I was considered a giant, which was great for my ego. I was in M-1 Company, which I understand no longer exists. Back in ancient history, we had the Corps organized by height, and in the First Regiment —we had two regiments then—A Co, A-1, were the tall people, and M-1 were the short people, and everybody in the company was the same size. Shortly thereafter they brought the flankers into the runt company. We had a runt complex, and everyone over 5'8" was malformed.

While I was with the Viet Cong, most of them would hit me about shoulder height, and they looked upon me as a monster. I thought this was great. And I told them, well, now look, I know some friends of mine who are about two meters high and weigh about 100 kilos, and they were ready to turn in their resignations right there. They had never come in contact with Americans, and what they heard about them from their cadre was—Don't "sweat them," they are big, they are nice targets, they move slowly because they carry too much equipment, and they are really no problem. And, of course, you get all of these wild tales about Viet Cong coming into hand-to-hand combat with Americans.

In fact, they had one article I remember, where they said, "Viet Cong squad defeated a South Korean platoon in hand-to-hand combat, and the South Koreans, using karate, were totally defeated by the Viet Cong. I don't know how much the truth is in the karate, but of course the Viet Cong are using their bare hands, and most of them could not lift the knife they used to clean the fish, I doubted the story somewhat, and knowing the Koreans, I can imagine actually who came out on top in that conflict. The one other point that they brought up again and again was the Americans. They keep saying, well two Viet Cong can "take on" an American battalion.

And one of their favorite stories was about 11 young girls—this was in Hue—and it was a VC girls guerrilla squad that "took on" an American Marine battalion and defeated them. My first question to the cadre, "Was it hand-to-hand combat?" He didn't answer me on that. These were the things that they had heard about Americans, and they are trying to build the idea that it just takes a couple VC to knock out an American company or an American battalion.

The truth that was happening was that they were finding out for themselves that this condition didn't really exist.

Now, I personally feel that a military victory is possible. In fact it is quite probable, and I say it for this reason. The VC, the Viet Cong, the South Vietnamese are fighting a war in which they were primarily guerrillas. And your guerrilla war develops or guerrilla warfare develops in several phases. We're in a fourth phase now which is a combination guerrilla warfare and regular warfare where regular size units, regiments, divisions, etc. are combined with guerrilla size units in combat.

After the Tet offensive in 1968 the VC lost a large portion of their trained personnel, their old soldiers. Now they're filling with 12, 14, 16-year-olds. No matter how you judge it, these people aren't soldiers yet. The day I got away we had a 12-year-old who was with our guard group. He received his first political lecture the morning of 31 December. Forty-five minutes after that lecture he was dead. Cobras "greased him" when they hit the area.

He wasn't a soldier. He was wearing black, and he was carrying a rifle, but by no stretch of the imagination was he a soldier. And yet this is what they're filling the ranks with.

They're apparently not building for this year or for next year or for anytime in the very near future, they're building for four, five, six years from now. But the point is, can they last? They're depending quite heavily on NVA and on artillery, because the VC really took a "pasting" in the last Tet offensive.

I believe one thing that was quite evident to me, particularly on the 22d of December, the camp I was in was hit by B52s, and this was the first time the guards had come eyeball-to-eyeball with a 750-pound bomb. And at that point morale, discipline, and everything went right to the bottom, and the only thing that they displayed at that time was a great desire to run, which I encouraged. The guards asked me what to do when the bombs started hitting. I told them, "Shut up and run." And I was leading the pack all the way out of the camp. But the guards had been told, now this is the truth, one of the cadre told the guards he'd been within 50 meters of a 750-pound bomb burst, and he hadn't been killed. And the guards believed this up until the 22d of December.

But that morning when the bombs started coming in, the cadre told them to go back and get the equipment, the guards told him "Look buddy, you want it, you go back and get it." And this is the first time the discipline had gone down, but they had come in actual contact with our weaponry.

I think of particular note that morning, the 20th of December is the birthday of the National Liberation Front, and the 22d of December is the birthday of the Liberation Armed Forces. The Viet Cong celebrated this, and they were celebrating on the 22d. They had all gone down to their local store and picked up "new threads." They had light blue trousers, dark blue tops, sitting around drinking tea and eating little cakes, and they were down at their big mess hall; I call it the forum.

They had all the local officials in, the cadre was down there, and they were sipping tea. The cloud cover was about 10,000 feet, and they never even heard the B52s coming in. There was about a two-second moan, and then the whole world went up, and they came out of that "hooch" posterior over tea kettle. One particular guard named Cookie, this fellow was really a chow hound, and he came out carrying the tea and all the cookies he could get in his pocket. And this is fortunate because that is all we had to eat for the next few days.

We were in an area where they moved three howitzers, three 155s firing harassing and interdiction throughout the area. They had choppers putting in strikes and ARVN had troops on the ground, and this was rather upsetting the Viet Cong. We kept moving around, and they were short of rice, short of food, and everything else. I watched during this particular time the morale of the troops, and it went almost to zero. They were finding out that what they had been told was not true. This is of utmost importance.

I would like to make one more point. While I was there, while I was captured, Captain Humbert Roque Versace, a West Point graduate, was captured with me, and in September 1965 Captain Versace was executed by the Viet Cong. The reason that he was executed was because he set an example as an American Officer that the Viet Cong could not tolerate having known to the world. Captain Versace, when he came there, being a West Point graduate and being a man to whom, I know, Duty, Honor, and Country meant more than words. Rocky lived this code. He came into contact with the Viet Cong, and he shot them down right on their own ground. They couldn't break him; they couldn't even bend him. As a result they executed him.

He set an example for me in particular, and the other POWs in the camp and to put it in the vernacular, he was a tough act to follow. He died because of his actions; he died because of the stand that he took.

I'll give you a couple of examples of this. When we went to our first political school, this was shortly after we were captured, none of us knew exactly what was going on. Rocky had been hit three times in the left leg, around the knee. He was in pretty bad shape, dependent upon the Viet Cong for any medical care which he was going to get. He was isolated in the night; in the daytime he was kept in leg irons and arm irons, unable to move, kept flat on his back.

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They built a "hooch" for him which was a bit off the ground, palm thatching all the way around it, and on the roof so that it was hot; it was dark. He was kept in there all the time. The only time he went out was to go to the latrine and when they brought him food. He tried to escape with a wound in the leg, was recaptured, and actually he was in worse shape in their eyes than anybody else. Rocky spoke French, and he spoke Vietnamese, and as a result they could reach him in English, Vietnamese, and French, so he had the cadre, the guards, the interrogators, the indoctrinators, everybody, all over him. But he stood toe-to-toe with them and told them they were wrong.

He went down to a political school. I was in a cage which was near the school, and I heard Rocky when he got in there. They had two provincial level cadre come down to give us the instruction, and I remember Rocky saying "You can make me come to this class, but I am an officer in the United States Army. You can make me listen, you can force me to sit here, but I don't believe a word of what you are saying."

The second example was a guard who spoke no English, he was Vietnamese, and he was in a camp. Rocky was put in solitary, and this guard was one of the ones who was in the camp trying to indoctrinate Rocky, and I saw the guard later on when he came over to my camp after Rocky was executed and based on his sessions with Rocky when he tried to convince Rocky that they were right, he knew two English words—bull----. But these were the only two words that that guard knew, and this was Rocky's answer to everything that guard told him.

This was a West Point graduate! I think the thing here is Rocky set an example. He died for what he believed in. He died for his actions, but he is a man who I believe will be remembered, and I am going to see that he is remembered.

If anybody is in a situation similar, here is a man you can look to. Perhaps not the way he went or what happened to him, but this was Rocky's choice. He could have bent, he could have broken, he could have lived. But he chose not to, and this was primarily because he was a West Pointer. And this is of importance to all of us because we are all in the same boat. And in a very few years, you are going to be coming into contact with this conflict, and there may be those among you who will be coming into the same kind of contact that Rocky did, so remember him. I am going to see that people do because for me he was the greatest example of what an officer should be that I have ever come in contact with.

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West Point Glee Club

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The desirable aspects of TV appearances by the Glee Club, especially from the USMA public relations point of view remain unquestionable. The Club generates its greatest impact, however, during its in-person performances. A typical concert program runs about two hours and features, in addition to the full chorus, performances by the Headliners, a folk music group, and a piano solo by the Club's accompanist from the USMA Band. Program selections are drawn from popular military ballads, show tunes, folk music, and traditional West Point songs.

Regarding personal appearances, they have historically been concentrated primarily in the New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New England area. In the past ten years the Club has focused on the northeast corner of the country where West Point's presence solves many of the Academy's publicity problems. In the West and Midwest sections, where West Point does not have a geographic advantage, the Club has made only nine concert tours in 35 years.

Due to the extensive demands of academic study, the Glee Club receives more invitations than it can possibly fulfill. The Club, however, is interested in selectively expanding its contributions to USMA by conducting concert programs in the West and Midwest during next year's Spring Leave period, tentatively scheduled for 19-23 March 1970. As the Glee Club is an extracurricular activity, all expenses connected with an appearance must be borne by the concert hosts, and the ability to bear the expense plays a major part in the selection of the appearances. Two principal devices serve to lighten the burden of hosts' expenses. First, the Club members are frequently billeted in private homes. And sponsors are permitted to charge admission to concerts provided that revenues acquired from such charges do not exceed expenses. In the past sponsors have included civic and business groups, local AUSA Chapters, West Point Societies or a combination of organizations. tions.

A Spring Leave tour of the West and Midwest could provide a valuable contribution to the Academy's admissions effort. March is the time of year when many high school juniors find themselves on the brink of a decision regarding college plans. A widely publicized, well attended, and well reported performance by the Glee Club at just this time could not help but have a swaying effect on many of these juniors. Members of the Club also could be made available for personal appearances at schools and local TV stations in the area during the afternoons of the concert dates.

In 1939, Lieutenant Colonel William H. Schempf, the Glee Club Director, received his Bachelor of Music Degree with honors from the University of Wisconsin. Enlisting in the Army in 1942, he was commissioned and spent two years in England with the Eighth Air Force and was awarded the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters. After World War II he attended the University of Vienna, Austria, and the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester where he received his Doctoral Degree. Since 1958, Colonel Schempf has lent his professional talents to the Glee Club.

From the days when errant cadets slipped past the OC to visit Benny Haven's legendary tavern and gather 'round in song, there has been more than a century of choral progress squeezed into a short span of years. Today's Glee Club is an outstanding singing group that willingly turns its vocal abilities toward attracting the quality candidates the Academy seeks, always carrying forward its motto: "No Fun Without Music, and No Music Without Fun."

Note: Organizations desiring to schedule appearances by the Cadet Glee Club should write to the Officer-in-Charge, Cadet Glee Club, West Point, N.Y. 10996.

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Evaluation of Leadership

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lieutenants in the Army.

For the most part, the pre-entrance examinations which cadets take prior to coming to the Academy are designed to test their scholastic and physical aptitudes. That is, these tests predict quite accurately their ability to complete successfully the Academy's academic and physical education courses of instruction. While each cadet varies in these aptitudes, steady improvement of selection techniques has resulted in an impressive reduction in the academic attrition rate to only three or four per cent.

Cadets also vary in the degree of leadership aptitude they possess. While there is some effort made to screen candidates on manifestations of leadership during their formative years, the same sophistication in leadership selection techniques as in the academic areas has not been achieved. Nonetheless, it is believed that the vast majority of entering cadets possess adequate leadership aptitude, and whether they become good leaders or not usually depends upon their response to the numerous programs designed to develop their leadership capabilities.

Related to this foregoing remark is the age-old question of whether leaders are born or whether they can be developed through the provision of the proper environment and training. Research conducted at the Academy and elsewhere shows quite clearly that while inherited traits or characteristics play a role in determining a person's leadership potential, the much more important factors are the environment and training which the individual experiences during his lifetime. Entering cadets vary in their leadership aptitude, then, primarily because of their divergent environments prior to entrance. Psychologists also tell us that an individual's personality is reasonably well set by his 17th or 18th birthday with little change occurring thereafter. Personality, of course, is important to leadership ability, and while the West Point environment and training

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seldom fail to overcome the effects of an inadequate personality, there is the occasional cadet who is obviously misplaced and whose separation is in the best interests of the government as well as for the cadet himself.

Even though the need to assess the leadership potential of every cadet has existed since the founding of the Academy, it was not until the early 1940's that the need for a formal leadership evaluation system became evident. By this time, Academy officials had encountered a number of instances of cadets who, though they met the required academic, physical, and discipinary standards, were considered to be unsuited to become Army leaders. In response to a letter from the Superintendent requesting authority to graduate one such cadet without a commission, the Secretary of War approved the request, but more importantly, included a paragraph in the letter:

"The Secretary of War directs that the Superintendent place into effect at the United States Military Academy a system whereby it may be determined as early as practicable consistent with fairness to the individual cadets, whether or not a cadet is unsuitable for commission in the U. S. Army by reason of undesirable temperament, habits or traits of character."

This directive was dated 3 July 1941 and resulted in the development of the Aptitude for the Service System which was first used in 1943 with the Class of 1944. Thus, a formal leadership evaluation system has been in use at the Academy for 25 years. Experience with the system, supplemented by a continuous research program, provides convincing evidence of the validity of the system resulting in its continuous use without major change.

Though the Secretary of War's primary concern was for an objective system by which cadets with marginal leadership aptitude could be identified and eliminated if necessary, the Aptitude System was designed to accomplish additional objectives which affect cadets across the entire range of leadership aptitude and which relate to the development of every cadet's potential. These objectives and the manner in which they are carried out will be more meaningful after a few comments regarding the methods used to determine leadership aptitude and the rationale for these methods.

Unlike scholastic and physical aptitudes, there are no written tests or examinations which can be administered to an individual to determine his leadership potential. While there are certain psychological instruments designed to measure those aspects of an individual's makeup which may be related to leadership, there is no one test or examination or a combination of tests now available which will lead to the determination of a cadet's complete leadership potential. Because leadership is such a complex phenomenon involving personality, attitudes, and motivation among other things, it is difficult even to identify all of its many components, let alone measure them objectively. However, even though most of us cannot easily put in words why one person is a better leader than another, the very fact that we can distinguish between others as to their relative leadership ability serves as the basis for the Aptitude System.

The system, then, is built on ratings of each cadet's leadership aptitude by others. Most of the research conducted in support of the system since its inception has been designed to determine the validity of ratings by various persons with whom cadets come in contact. Validity, in this sense, refers to the extent to which aptitude ratings are predictive of future officer success. Findings of this research have led us convincingly to the use of a composite approach wherein each cadet is rated by his company tactical officer and by other cadets within his company. Ratings by both peers and superiors have been found to be a valid method of determining leadership aptitude.

Just as the Army relies heavily on the ability of officers to appraise the performance of their subordinates, the Academy relies on the Tactical Officers to judge accurately the leadership potential of the cadets in their companies. There is no question about the qualifications of the officers assigned to tactical officer positions to render leadership evaluations, and research shows that their ratings will be valid when made under the proper conditions. Closeness in the relationship between the rater and those whom he must rate is critical to accurate evaluations. Therefore, the tactical officer must not be assigned responsibility for more cadets than he can interact with on a fairly frequent basis. As long as the strength of each company is maintained at or near 100 cadets and the tactical officer is given adequate time to observe his cadets, he can be expected to provide appraisals of each cadet's leadership aptitude.

Since 1943 when the Academy became one of the earliest users of peer ratings, extensive research and application of such ratings in the military, industrial, and academic worlds have consistently demonstrated the value of such ratings and reinforced the efficacy of the Academy's original decision on this matter. However, the Academy could not build its case for peer ratings on their widespread use in other settings. It had to be sure specifically that cadet ratings of other cadets' leadership abilities bore some relation to their later success as officers.

Starting with the first classes on which peer ratings were taken, studies conducted by Department of the Army and here at the Academy sought to determine the relationship between officer success and various measures taken on cadets, including aptitude ratings and academic and physical education grades. A number of important findings emerged from these studies. Aptitude standing, which combines both cadet and tactical officer ratings, was found to be predictive of officer success as determined by such measures as Officer Efficiency Index (OEI) scores, specially prepared combat effectiveness reports from the Korean War, and selection for early promotion. The studies also showed that the peer ratings, taken alone, were better predictors than when combined with tactical officer ratings.

To amplify these validity studies one research project conducted during the Korean War related the combat effectiveness of a sample of graduates from the Classes of 1945 through 1950 to their aptitude standing as cadets. Combat effectiveness of these officers was measured by special reports prepared by their immediate superiors. Results of the study revealed that 83 per cent of those graduates who stood in the top quarter of their classes in aptitude as cadets received above average combat effectiveness ratings. In contrast, 28 per cent of the graduates who were rated in the bottom quarter in aptitude received above average combat effectiveness ratings. Studies similar to this one, using a variety of success criteria, have been conducted on more recent classes with similar results.

To complete the picture on the rationale for using cadet ratings of leadership, there appear to be three important reasons why peers consistently render valid ratings. In the first place, each cadet is rated by a relatively large number of other cadets, and the consensus of this group as to the rated cadet's true leadership tends to be a better measure than one which is based on only one or a few ratings. Related to this point is that biases, prejudices, or personality conflicts involving the rated individual and any one of his raters are certainly less significant. Secondly, peer ratings are made in an atmosphere free of status differential between the rater and the ratee. Often the relationship between superior and subordinate is colored by a degree of artificiality because of their different roles. Simply said, we can expect the subordinate always to be on his "best behavior" when interacting with his boss, but among his contemporaries he is more apt to reveal his true self. Finally, the peer rating is made on the basis of observed behavior across a variety of situations and not just in the context of official relationships. The peer will observe an individual at work, play, social occasions, and in moments of emotional stress more often than the supervisor. At West Point, the cadet observes his fellow cadets in many situations that the officers of the garrison either have a restricted view of or are not privy to at all.

New cadets receive their first Aptitude for the Service Rating in late November, four and one-half months after entrance. The Second and Third Classmen are rated at the same time. The ratings are conducted again in April, and this semi-annual procedure is followed for a cadet's first three years. An additional rating is conducted on Third Classmen during their military training at Camp Buckner.

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Each cadet is rated by his tactical officer and by cadets of his own and the next senior class within his company. Raters compare each ratee to his classmates and assign him a rank order based on the following criterion: the ability to command a group of men in the accomplishment of an assigned mission while maintaining within the group high standards of discipline, morale and personal morality.

The ratings of each class are conducted on an expanded scale which contains one and one-half times as many rank order positions as there are cadets to be rated. This procedure allows for the processing of the ratings to yield a class order of merit in aptitude. In addition, each rater is required to complete a form for remarks on the two cadets he rates lowest in each class, explaining in detail the reasons for their low ratings. The objectives of the Aptitude System are carried out, then, by using the information derived from aptitude standing, forms for remarks, and other supplemental evaluations which relate to leadership performance and potential.

One primary objective of the system is to identify those cadets who have demonstrated outstanding leadership ability for positions of responsibility within the Corps of Cadets. Aptitude standing is not the sole criterion for a position of cadet rank, but it is an important factor in deciding who will be considered for a position of high responsibility within the Corps. Some other items which might enter into consideration for cadet rank are academic and physical education standings, corps squad or intramural performance, other extra-curricular activities, disciplinary record, as well as personal appearance and bearing. Starting with Plebe-Parent Weekend in the Spring when some of the Fourth Classmen will be selected to higher positions of command to lead their classmates in the absence of the upperclassmen, there are numerous times throughout a cadet's career when he will have the opportunity to be selected to a responsible chain of command position where he will be expected to exert leadership over his class or more junior classes. Some of these include training at Camp Buckner, June Encampment at the beginning of Second Class summer, New Cadet Barracks, or Camp Buckner details during Second or First Class summer and, of course, each academic year when the running of the entire corps is essentially the responsibility of the First Class. Experience gained on each of these occasions adds immeasurably to each cadet's leadership development.

The second major objective of the system is to identify those cadets who demonstrate leadership shortcomings, to determine their specific areas of weakness, and to provide appropriate counsel and guidance in their efforts to improve their leadership qualities. This objective is aimed at every cadet in the Corps and is probably the most important one of the system. Evaluation of a person's leadership does little good if he is not apprised of the results of the evaluation and provided with suggestions on how he can improve.

Because of his experience, his access to all available information, and his personal observation of the cadets in his company, the tactical officer should and does play the primary role in the counseling and guidance function. When the tactical officer counsels each of his cadets after each rating period, he has available to him the cadet's complete record which contains much useful information. For example, the record contains performance reports rendered by other cadets, academic officers, officers-in-charge of extracurricular activities, and athletic coaches for the performance of specific duties. The record also contains information concerning each cadet's academic and physical education progress. All of this information is used to evaluate not only the individual's leadership but also his overall performance as a cadet.

In addition to reviewing the total record, the tactical officer will inform each cadet of his general aptitude standing. That is, he will tell him whether he stands in the upper quarter, middle half, or bottom quarter of the class. He will also point out any specific shortcomings and suggest ways to overcome them. This, of course, is the point where he uses the forms for remarks, performance reports, and other available information as well as his own personal observations. When he completes his counseling, the tactical officer has presented a word picture to the cadet of his military and leadership performance and potential as evaluated by those closest to him.

The last major objective of the system is to eliminate any cadet who after receiving assistance over a reasonable period of time is unable to meet the leadership standards or who is misplaced in the military service. It would be fortunate indeed if every cadet with leadership shortcomings would, after receiving appropriate counseling and guidance, overcomes his weaknesses and attains the Academy's leadership standards. Unfortunately, there are a few cases where individual cadets are either unwilling or unable to meet these standards. Some cadets will not acknowledge their weaknesses and hence do nothing to overcome them. There are also some who, though they accept the fact that they have weaknesses, lack the motivation to improve. Finally, we have had in the past a few cadets whose evaluations and demonstrated performance have shown them to be misplaced at the Academy. The elimination of cadets in this category is necessary not only to protect the government from spending time and money on a young man who is likely to prove unsuccessful, but just as importantly, to protect the cadet from entering a career for which he is not well qualified and in which he would be neither successful nor satisfied.

It should be interjected at this point that a revitalized cadet counseling program in recent years, for which the Office of Military Psychology and Leadership serves as the Academy's coordinating agency and provides a graduate trained counselor, has increased our understanding of problems encountered by cadets in adjusting to the Academy environment and of the types of behavior and personality inadequacies which serve as reasons for failure in this environment. In his dual role of providing voluntary counseling to cadets and conducting exit interviews with cadets who resign or are otherwise separated, the cadet counselor has and is continuing to generate a wealth of information concerning the motivation and attitudes of cadets, the impact of all aspects of the Academy environment on their motivation, attitudes and personality, performance and other characteristics of resignees which differentiate them from those who do not resign. One indication from these data which is of interest here is that our leadership evaluation procedures, along with other assessments of the cadet's various capabilities, are used by cadets to evaluate their own suitability for a military career.

As was mentioned earlier, it is necessary from time to time, despite counseling and guidance efforts, to consider a cadet for elimination because of deficiency in Aptitude for the Service. The procedure begins with the tactical officer who submits to the regimental commander his personal evaluations of those cadets within his company who rank extremely low in aptitude. The regimental commander conducts his own evaluation of each case, and when so recommended by the tactical officer and regimental commander, the Commandant may recommend to the Academic Board that a cadet be declared deficient in aptitude and placed in a conditional status.

Any case referred to the Commandant where he feels there is some doubt as to the cadet's aptitude proficiency or where elimination is recommended is sent to a board of officers for a full and impartial hearing. A Brigade Aptitude Board consists of a minimum of three officers from the Department of Tactics. The cadet himself appears before sessions of the board as well as members of the cadet chain of command, the subject cadet's own witnesses of choice, and others who have knowledge of the detailed performance of the cadet in question.

Upon conclusion of the hearing, the board makes its recommendations to the Commandant as to whether the cadet is considered proficient or deficient. In the event that the recommendation is deficient, and the Commandant concurs, the case is referred to the Academic Board through the Superintendent where it is handled in a manner similar to that of deficiency in academics. That is, the Academic Board may place the individual in a conditioned status for deficiency in aptitude or recommend him to the Department of the Army for separation from the Academy. When a cadet has been conditioned in aptitude by the board, there

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is a period of probation where the cadet has a chance to examine his faults and attempt to improve. Each conditioned cadet is then re-evaluated after the next rating period in order to determine whether his condition should be removed —and he should be declared proficient— or the condition should be continued, or he should be separated. Just as with other separations, aptitude separations are finally approved at Department of Army level. This elimination procedure suggests an important feature of the aptitude system. The system is essentially a broad screening device, and a major portion of the strength of the system lies in the fact that decisions relative to such things as chain of command selection and, more importantly, eliminative actions are based finally on command decisions by the officer chain of command rather than being based exclusively on relative standing.

If the Academy is to retain its reputation of producing graduates who set the standard against which Army officers from other sources compare themselves, it has no alternative but to insure that every graduate has the requisite intellectual, physical, moral, and leadership development to meet this challenging responsibility. Leadership development, like all of the other areas, will continue to receive a great deal of study and refinement.

Typical of the continuing concern for the efficacy of our methods is a major research effort undertaken last year to update previous findings relative to the validity of the aptitude system and to study in greater detail the long-range officer performance of graduates. The results of these studies which were reported to the Department of the Army bolstered confidence in the system's validity and improved ability to identify the correlates of officer success. Other research is being directed at the investigation of various procedural aspects of the system. One such research project resulted in the adoption this year of a leadership performance evaluation system wherein each First Classman is rated on his chain of command performance by his immediate cadet superior, his next immediate cadet superior, and his tactical officer, rather than receiving aptitude ratings from all First Classmen in the company. Early indications are that this program serves to strengthen the cadet chain of command and provides cadets some experience with an evaluation system similar to the one they will encounter in the Army.

Study is continuing to determine the feasibility of designing a similar system for the lower classes. Other research has suggested additional procedural changes which will further refine the system. General satisfaction with the overall system in no way reduces the need for a dynamic research program to insure continued success of our leadership evaluation and development practices.

Dan'l Boone

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you must be prepared to meet them philosophically and work all the harder to overcome them and even profit by them. I might advise you to consider every move which you voluntarily make as to whether it is going to benefit you, the Army and the country, all three.

In conclusion, I wish now to discuss particularly the question concerning the young officer who is looking forward to a career in civil life either after resignation or retirement, how best to be prepared to pursue "Lady Luck." I must confess that I was not prepared for retirement when it suddenly came upon me. When I first learned that I was to be retired I said to my wife, "What am I going to do now?" Her reply was: "Well, you've been reading and studying history all your life, both military and civilian, now suppose that you take up philosophy—that's what you need—you're in a bitter mood now, you need something that will soften your somewhat rebellious soul"—and that's exactly what I did. And whatever slight feelings of reproach I might have had toward the Army have long ago disappeared in the pages of Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, Marcus Aurelius and the long chain of great philosophers down to the present day.

Well, I guess that this is about the end of this short talk. But I do wish to bring one other point to your attention in passing. It is this: The United States is today drifting slowly but unmistakably into a subtle form of anarchy. The military virtues of governmental authority and self-discipline in its people are gradually being eroded. The time has come when subtle influences are invading the military forces of the country, and only the military virtues hold the key to national and governmental authority and obedience to law. We do not know when the great fountain of honor, duty and love of country as stored in the hearts and minds of the some twenty-five thousand graduates of West Point and similar numbers of graduates of Annapolis and in the future at the Air Force Academy will be the granite strength which will preserve this country from the evil forces now seeking to undermine it. Again I repeat, authority in the government and self discipline in the citizenry are the urgent needs of the day.

The Response of the Youngest Grad, David R. E. Hale, Class of 1967

To Colonel Boone I would like to say that unfortunately I do not remember when Pitt was Prime Minister of England, and I do not remember when polo was played at the Academy, but having just returned from Vietnam I do remember amoebic dysentery.

I think that all young graduates look to the older graduates with a certain amount of respect and a great deal of awe. Very few times do we run across them as I did tonight, but I remember one story that we used to tell when I was a cadet that reflects this awe.

There was a young cadet who just finished his Plebe year and had gone to the Pentagon. Walking down the hall, he saw a brigadier general walking toward him, so remembering his good training as a Plebe he rigidly smacked up against the wall. The general looked at him and smacked up against the wall also, and they stood there and looked at each other for several seconds. Finally the general looked over at him and said, "Shh, who's coming?"

The one point that I would like to talk about tonight is the one thing that I think that West Point gave me that I used the most in Vietnam, and that is the ability to establish priority among assigned missions of required work. I'll give you two examples. One as a cadet—and this was when you take a young man, a Plebe, who is maybe the head mail carrier and has a great deal of problems with that, has to shine his shoes, keep his uniform looking very well, and also has to study. He has a great deal of difficulty establishing the priority, and these priorities may change. If the upperclassman across the hall is breathing down his neck, then he thinks that top priority is delivering the mail to that upperclassman's room, and he feels he can afford to drop a few tenths because he can make them up when the upperclassman gets off his back. If he is deficient at the time, then maybe delivering the mail isn't the most important thing.

But this was one thing that West Point taught me that I didn't really realize until I graduated and then went to Vietnam. The example I will use was one day when we made a combat assault by use of helicopters into a landing zone. When we went in, we were in pretty bad shape. We had quite a few wounded people, and I was the company commander at the time.

I had to make the decision whether to bring in a medivac when I knew that the chopper might well be shot down. I also knew that some of the wounded's lives might depend on whether the medivac was called. So, I had to establish a priority. I had to clear an area sufficiently large to increase the odds on the chopper's survival, call in the medivac, and get my men evacuated. We finally got a medivac in after about three hours and saved my men.

The key to making many decisions is to establish a priority of action. West Point has taught me how to do this, and I am most grateful.

It is a pleasure to be here tonight, and I'll close by saying our Class motto is "None Will Surpass 67 Class," and we're trying to make sure that motto comes true.

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Down The Field

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there was at least one new record each week.

Track (W-9, L-0) ARMY 84, Navy 25

Undefeated in nine meets and posting the largest victory margin in the ARMY-Navy indoor series, Coach Carleton Crowell won it all but one this winter. That one was the indoor Heptagonals which went to Harvard. The Cadets made a strong bid for their third straight Hep crown, but missed by four points of matching the Cantabs. Power in the high jump, where Bruce Olson and Bruce Peltier both cleared 6 feet 10 inches; in the 600, where Captain Larry Lemaster, George Forsythe, and Bob Foos share the Academy record at 1:10.8; and in the 60-yard high hurdles, where Sheridon Groves has a 7.3 second mark, provided the key to victory. The Navy meet saw the Middies win the first event, the 35-pound weight, but then ARMY won first place in the rest of them. The Middies could score but one second in the running events and only 17 points in the field events.

Wrestling (W-5, L-4, T-2)
Navy 22, ARMY 11

Second place in the Easterns, the best showing by ARMY in 23 years of this tournament, highlighted another successful season. While the Cadets couldn't upset Navy, the Eastern champion, they did rally for a winning season with five wins and a tie in their final seven meets. Jim Byrnes (137), Bill McBeth (145), Mark Hoffman (152) and Greg Smith (167) made it to the Eastern finals, but none could gain a championship. Scott Patten (123), Hoffman and Paul Raglin (heavyweight) won at Navy and Captain Mike Nardotti gained a draw. It was the fifth winning season in a row for Coach Leroy Alitz.

1969 Football Starts

Coach Tom Cahill started his fourth year as head coach of ARMY football with more than 100 candidates reporting the first week in April. From this group will come the 1969 team which will play the most attractive home schedule in years in Michie Stadium. When the new seating on the west side is completed late this summer, the stadium will accommodate 41,000.

Two major problems currently face the coaching staff, one on offense and one on defense. While the names of nine of the 15 returning lettermen appear on the offensive roster, Coach Cahill has to come up with a new quarterback. On the other side only three Navy-game starters return on the defense. That makes eight spots to be filled, a major personnel problem.

Roger LeDoux, a letterman from Sulphur, La., was the starting quarterback in victories over Virginia and Boston College at the beginning of the 1967 season. Then Steve Lindell and Jim O'Toole came back from injuries, and LeDoux saw little action the rest of that year and all of 1968. He is available for next fall. Roger Mohn from Montvale, N.J., and Bernie Wall from East Brewton, Ala., led the 1967 Plebes to an undefeated season. Wall played only 14 minutes on the varsity last fall but received some valuable experience with Mohn on the B team during the fall. Those three are the leading candidates. But it may be the New Mexico game on 20 September before the starter is known.

Lettermen fill seven other spots. Joe Albano at split end, tackle Don DeCort, guards Bill Jackson and Paul Watkins, and center Ted Shadid take five line spots. Open are a tackle and the tight end. Captain Lynn Moore, who was a halfback last fall, may be moved to fullback. Hank Andrzejczak returns as a veteran halfback. That leaves one halfback spot to be decided.

Coach Cahill and his defensive aide, Dick Lyon, plan to use a 4-4-3 defense this year. Up front, starter Joe Neuman moves from middle guard to a tackle post. End Bill Price drops back to a corner spot and is joined by linebackers Ken Wyrick, who was a middle guard in 1968, and Paul McDowell. Defensive backs John Brenner and Tom Haller fill two of the three deep spots. Neuman, Price, and Brenner started the Navy game. Spring practice will be needed to fill the six holes.

Then there is kicker Arden Jensen, who accounted for 64 points last fall. He's back to handle kickoffs, conversions and field goals.

Spring Sports Begin

ARMY came up with strength in tennis as the five spring teams worked their way through the month of April. The netters of Coach Bill Cullen posted seven straight wins with Bill Malkemes, Second Classman playing the No. 1 spot, going undefeated. Graduation had taken four three-year veterans and Coach Cullen was faced with a rebuilding program.

Penn, Harvard, and Princeton, the Big Three of Eastern tennis, appear on the May schedule, as does Navy, but the momentum gained in the April campaign could produce some upsets. Captain Rick Wilber is the only First Classman on the team this year.

Lacrosse made a bid for the national title, winning the first five outings before losing to Johns Hopkins, 14 to 11. The defending national champions came to West Point on the last Saturday of the month. All-America Pete Cramblet scored six times for the ARMY, but although the Cadets cut the margin to one goal on two occasions, the champions prevailed.

Coach Jim Adams is closing out his lacrosse career at ARMY. Next year he will be the head coach at Pennsylvania. In his 11 years at West Point he has never had a losing season. This year will be his 12th straight, for he has already won five of 11 games.

For the fourth straight year the mighty Mt. Washington team of Baltimore lost to the ARMY. This time it was 10 to 7 at Baltimore and that win prior to Johns Hopkins raised hopes for a championship at West Point.

Baseball ran into two problems in April, rain and Eastern League opponents. The weather scrubbed three of the contests, including a league game with Penn. League losses to Columbia, Brown, and Yale were tempered some by a win over Harvard, but chances of a share of the 1969 title are only mathematical. Coach Eric Tipton's team is still on a winning status, victories in non-league contests keeping the Cadets above the .500 mark.

Track dropped the first two dual meets to Yale and Harvard, the Eli winning every running event but the mile relay. It was the same old strength in the distance running and the weight events which gave Harvard its victory. ARMY competitors were at both the Penn and Drake relays in late April. Bob Wallis bettered his own Academy record in the javelin with a throw of 254 feet 2 inches at the Penn classic. Relay records came in the mile and 880 yard events.

Braving wet Saturdays Coach Nick Karl's golf team posted a 5-3 record in April. Dick Miller proved to be the most consistent player, the Ravenna, Ohio, Second Classman winning all eight matches and running his win streak to 13 straight.

Sports Publications Available

The two annual publications, ARMY FOOTBALL PARADE and ARMY SPORTSLETTER, are again being offered. The New York Society will again handle the ARMY FOOTBALL PARADE. Copies are $2 each with special rates for bulk purchases by other West Point Societies. Information and orders may be obtained from John Shelter, USMA '54, at 127 Valley Road, Montclair, New Jersey 07042.

The ARMY SPORTSLETTER goes into its fifth year of publication. Again the 18 issues will be mailed first class in this country and air mail overseas for a cost of $5 a year. The first issue is due in early September. A sample copy of the ARMY SPORTSLETTER may be obtained by writing to the Sports Information Office, USMA, West Point, New York 10996.

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REPORT ... from the classes

'03

Col. Dorsey R. Rodney
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Max **Tyler** notified members of the Class of 1903 about **Rodney's** indisposition, and he recently had notes from all of them, a real record! **Tyler** writes that he has just spent an extended visit in Hawaii.

Howze has remained in New York, and he was considerably affected by the death of Ulysses **Grant**, as we all were.

"Puss" **Farnum** has had quite a bit of trouble with his leg, but I believe is considerably improved, after an operation, and looking forward to the New England spring.

Turtle, that great Silurian, still gets tremendous pleasure from his old love of music, and life in San Antonio.

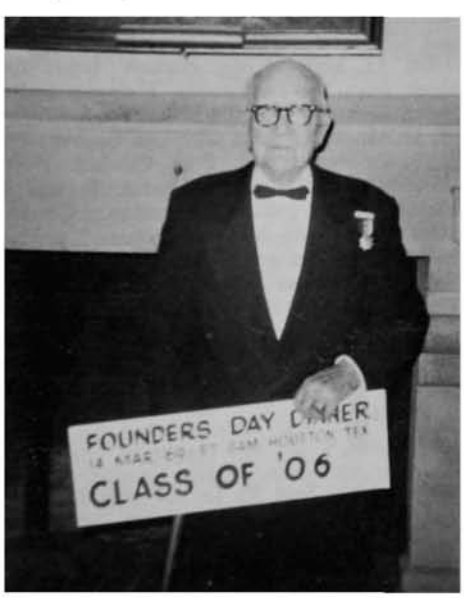
Clifford **Jones** is in good health, and enjoying the winter in Florida, with summer in Norcross, Ga.

Jake Wuest is living in Orlando, Fla., and is as well as one of us old crocks can expect to be.

Colley is now living in Seattle, and writes a very cheerful letter, with interest in reading and world affairs.

John **Franklin** says he walks every day, when the weather allows. **Gilmore** spends most of his time in New York City, and Clark Lynn writes that he is fairly well in a nursing home in Bethesda.

'06



1906: Colonel King, the only member of his Class to attend the dinner, was the second oldest grad present.

Our Association membership of 19,031 represents over 96% 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

'07

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

Bob **Arthur** writes that he has slowed down and it takes time to go through the stages of any undertaking, even just getting out of bed. First, he must decide that the job should be done, then he has to decide to do it, but it is hard to get started and even harder to finish. He sent thanks to the '07 group and its allies for the much appreciated birthday card. He said locally the birthday passed almost without notice, but a few days before they raised a bit of dust with their 60th wedding anniversary. A good friend put on a party for them, and various people with whom they have been closely associated came in to drink of the good friend's liquor and perhaps to bring along some flowers or wine or something. The hostess had rounded up the maid of honor and one of the bridesmaids. Bob, here's to more happy wedding anniversaries for you and your good wife.

Sandy **Chilton** wrote "you know how long it takes to do anything nowadays and how hard it is to get started on almost any task." We might say so say we all, but Eddie **Householder** could disagree as he continues super active.

Oliver **Wood** entered Walter Reed Hospital on 14 Mar with pneumonia. A tracheotomy was performed. The latest news is Oliver is getting along splendidly. At the Class luncheon on 20 Mar a get well card signed by all present was sent to Oliver.

Founders Day Dinner was held at Ft. Myer on 14 Mar. Gen. Westmoreland '36 was the principal speaker. He spoke well on the subject of Vietnam. He mentioned the five wars going on simultaneously: military, political, economic, psychological, and sociological. The Cadet First Captain, Robert H. Baldwin Jr, represented the Corps. The invocation was given by the Very Rev. Mariner T. Smith '27. Earl McFarland '06 gave the toast to the Corps. The USA chorus received repeated applause. It was a splendid occasion viewed from any angle.

Col. Barton K. **Yount** Jr, '43, AF Ret., died in Spain in Feb. He was buried in Arlington. He had a distinguished war record. He flew 30 B-29 bomber missions in the Pacific and was decorated with three DFC's. The Class extended its deepest sympathy to his mother, Mrs. B.K. **Yount**, Army Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. and to the other members of the family.

Enrique **White's** guest at our Class luncheon in Feb was Col. Fay W. Brobson, USA Ret. Fay has been a friend for many years of the members of the luncheon group. He is an outstandingly able officer, a gentleman and a scholar. We decided unanimously to invite him to join us at our monthly luncheons. He accepted with a few very gracious remarks. At the Mar luncheon Enrique **White** introduced us to a friend of his, Col. Barlow Winston, USA Ret., who lives at the Kennedy-Warren as does Enrique and Oliver **Wood**. We learned he and Oliver are close friends. We enjoyed having Col. Winston with us.

Stamford, Conn.

Editor, The Times-Picayune:

Hail to Louisiana! Land of the bluest skies, of chicken pie and dumplings, fried pork chops and gravy, hot biscuits, butter and honey, string beans, cornbread and potlikker, pies, cakes and sweet 'taters, moss and magnolias, dunkers and crumblers, Bible Belters, Cajuns, alligators, and crocodiles, oil fields, turpentine and moonshine stills, hurricanes, shades of Huey Long, of George W. Cable, of old Creole Days, New Orleans and its French Quarter, memories of Evangeline and Gabriel, catfish and cornpone, blackstrap molasses, gumbo and swamps, bayous and bays, canebrakes and bears, deltas and sounds, canals and bridges, Ol' Man River, swamp fever malaria and mosquitoes, gnats and chiggers, LSU and Tulane, pine hills and bluffs, prairies, coastal marshes, alluvial plains, parishes, lagoons, oxbow lakes, cotton, rice, sugar cane, pelicans, levees, mocking birds and morning breezes, warm hearts and generous neighbors, beautiful women and gallant men, gay lovers and happy children, church bells and crosses. Salut! Et Joyeux Noel et la Bonne Annee!

Abbott **Boone**, Col. USA (Ret)

Dan'l knows Louisiana—the pelican state.

Here is Woodrow Wilson's limerick re the pelican—

"A wonderful bird is the pelican,
His bill can hold more than his bellican,
He can take in his beak
Enough food for a week,
I wonder how in the hellican!"

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'08

Maj. Gen. Glen E. Edgerton
104-B, The Westchester
Washington, D.C. 20016

Spike **Dougherty** phoned on 14 Feb to give his best regards to those of us who were able to attend the Class Dinner that we have held annually for many years in Washington on or about that date which is the anniversary of our graduation. The annual dinners, as formally pre-arranged celebrations, had to be given up in 1966 for lack of customers. Since then Bunny **Goethals** and **Edgerton** have celebrated two such dinners together in Washington, but he is no longer able to come to Washington, even for that purpose. This year nobody came. It is regarded as inappropriate to consider a dinner by one man alone as a Class dinner. Spike knows all this, but he called in as a matter of sentiment. He says he is "about the same." He is closely confined to his nursing home in Allentown, Pa.

Jimmie **Burns** spent several weeks in Walter Reed Hospital in Jan and Feb with pneumonia and other ailments, from which he has made good progress towards recovery and is back in his comfortable apartment on Connecticut Ave. in Washington for further convalescence.

George **Goethals** reports that he is very comfortably located in the household of his son in Watertown, Mass. He says that they take excellent care of him and that he is happy and contented.

'09

Maj. Gen. George L. Van Deusen
14 Beach Road
Monmouth Beach, N.J. 07750

1909 REUNION: Major John L. Geisinger, of the USMA Faculty, has been designated as "Aide" to the Class of 1909 during our 1969 June Week reunion. Any special request for information or assistance will be referred to him. Our Class dinner will be held at 1900 hours (7:00 p.m.) 30 May, at the Officers' Open Mess (West Point Army Mess).

The following members of our Class have indicated their intention to attend the Reunion: Bill and Ruth **Simpson**; Cliff and Elsie **Bluemel**: Claude and Dorothy **Thummel**; Jake **Devers**; Elbert and Nuta **Farman**; Phil **Gage**; E.R. and Kay **Van Deusen**; G.L. and Effie **Van Deusen**. We also hope to line up Bill **Reed**, **Stokley**, Carl **Baehr**'s daughters and any others who may be undecided.

You have all probably learned of the untimely death of Lt. Col. Edwin Renalds **Van Deusen**, son of our E.R. and Kay, from enemy action in Vietnam.

Elsa **Roberts** sent Holiday greetings from her new home, Suite C-1, Padua Terrace, 633 East Foothill Blvd, Claremont, Calif. 91711.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry L. **Wen**, of Bayside, N.Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Harriet Tse-Hua **Wen** to Mr. C.C. Tung, who is with Associated Maritime Industries in New York City. Harriet is the granddaughter of our esteemed classmate, the late Ying Hsing **Wen**. A 1968 graduate of Barnard College, she is a research assistant in ophthalmology at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center.

'10

Brig. Gen. Burton O. Lewis
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Washington, D.C. 20016

A year hence, we will be foregathering at West Point to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the graduation of our noble Class of 1910 from the USMA. As cadets, you remember, we counted the days 'til June—now as old grads we count the years since that same June. So great an event will require much planning, and it is not too early for all of us to start.

Bob **Dunlop**'s grandson, Robert H. III, 2d Lt., Inf USAR completed his Reserve Officer training at Ft. Knox, Ky. last Mar. En route back to his home in New York City, where he is learning to be a banker, he stopped off in Washington, with his new wife, to see Bob. Needless to say, Bob was delighted to see them both and enjoyed their visit very much.

Esther **Polk** enjoys visiting around with her large family, both here and abroad, but when in Washington frequently joins our '10 ladies monthly luncheons at the Army-Navy Club.

We regret very much to report the death on 16 Mar 68 of George W. **Chase** Jr. in Clearwater, Fla., after a long illness. He was survived by a son, George D. of Kingston, N.Y.; a daughter, Clare of Hyde Park, N.Y.; and his widow, Della who has since returned to live with a sister at the old family farm where she was born—79 W. Main Street, Pawling, N.Y. 12564.

Miss Olive Kenzla (Missie)—granddaughter of Olive and D. S. **Wilson**—who served a tour of duty with the American Red Cross in Vietnam was married last Feb to Wayne Holbrook of Wisc. The young couple came by Washington to visit Missie's family and friends en route to their new home in Wisc.

Jane **Drake** who had been '10's Correspondent on the West Coast for many years has moved from her San Francisco home to Fla. and is now living at the St. Regis Hotel, 509 Seabreeze Blvd., Daytona Beach, Fla. 32018. I recently heard from her oldest son Rod (Col. L. Rodman **Drake**, USA Ret.) who said his mother's eyesight had not been very good since the cataract operation about two years ago, but otherwise her health seems to be reasonably good. I am sure she would like to hear from her old friends. Rod also advised that his younger brother, Bob, Class of '44 is returning from Germany where he commanded the 3d Bde, 3d Armd Div and is presently under orders to Vietnam where he will be the Senior Advisor to the Vietnamese National War College.

At the last West Point Founders Day Dinner held at the Officers Club, USAFA, Colorado Springs, Colo., one of the principal speakers was our most illustrious classmate, Fred Carrithers. I am informed that Fred was right on the ball and gave a splendid talk.

Kay and your scribe drove to Calif. last Apr visiting friends there and en route. Altho' strenuous at times, we had a most enjoyable vacation and were very glad we made the trip.

As "Dean Martin" on his Thursday night T.V. show likes to say—as also do I—"keep those letters coming in, Folks, we love to read them."

'11

Brig. Gen. Harold P. Nichols
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Belvedere, Calif. 94920

Alice Shriner **Baxter** died 28 May 68 in Manchester, Conn., where her son, Charles Jr. and wife live. Priscilla wrote that Alice had a young and vivid personality, that she so enjoyed association with the class, but that she never had been really happy since her beloved "Fatty" passed away in 51.

The **Beatty** family has moved from Seaside, Ore., to 222 SW Harrison Street, Portland, 97201, they no longer wanting to face driving across the mountains. Dorothy Carson **Clay** writes appreciation of the Class list which assists in keeping her in touch with old friends. She hopes that some day others of '11 and Basil Clay may meet and have an opportunity to know each other.

Another old timer has left us, Howell Marion **Estes**, who died 30 Jan 69 in Washington, D.C., **Morris** and **Wheeler** and four cavalry friends were pall bearers at the services at the Ft. Myer Chapel and burial in Arlington National Cemetery. Survivors are Gen. Howell M. **Estes** Jr., a daughter, Katherine, at the home address, a stepbrother, John M. Steen, of St. Petersburg, Fla., three grandsons and two great-grandsons.

Mildred **Franke** tells of her scattered family, including two in Vietnam, saying, "It all adds up that if Gus were alive today he would have nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and one on the way.

On 28 Feb came word of the death that day of Frederick **Gilbreath**, who had resided in Austin, Tex., since his retirement. Services were held in Austin on 2 Mar; interment was with honors on 3 Mar in the Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, the former Edna Brown of Laredo, a sister and a brother both in Seattle, two sisters-in-law in Washington State, and several nieces and nephews.

A note was received in Feb reporting the death, 12 Feb 69, of Edna Heath **Kimball**, who since Allen's death had made her home in Amsterdam, N.Y., with two sisters, the Misses Charlotte M. and Helen Heath. A brother, George W. Heath, also lives in Amsterdam. After services on the 14th, final interment was in the spring in the **Kimball** vault in the West Point National Cemetery.

A letter from Pliny **McBride** tells of a hard Iowan winter, bad roads and difficulty getting to town every ten days for shots at the Veterans Hospital. He says, "Mary going pretty good for her 77 years, tells me to keep out of her way. We keep doing what we can, a little garden, fruit and berries, and Mary still has a few old hens for eggs."

On 11 Mar, at the **Nichols**' home for lunch were the **Lockwoods**, **Florence Ladd**, Helen **Shekerjian**, Mollie **Weaver** and daughter Marian, the **Bagbys** with Lyn **Bagby**, their nephew's wife, and Bug **Cowles**. Dave **Cowles** couldn't quite make it. It was a cheery, happy gathering. On the following night, your scribe had the dubious honor of being the oldest grad present at the Founders Day dinner at the Presidio of San Francisco.

'14

Col. John H. Carruth
504 Tanglebriar Lane
San Antonio, Tex. 78209

Ever since Sept 55, i.e. for over 13 years, I have been writing our Class letters for ASSEMBLY, and have never missed sending in one for each issue. Most of them have been pretty long; but this time, for the very first time, I'm really stumped—have practically no news to write—and news is one of the few things that cannot be manufactured.

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Probably the reason for this is that so many classmates and class widows sent me news, as I had requested, at Christmas time, and these messages appeared in the Winter, 1969 issue of ASSEMBLY—and not much has happened since.

At least, I am very happy that this letter doesn't have to include, as the issues of 67 and 68 have included sad news of the loss of three class widows, Alice **Anderson**, Maude **Stanford** and Eva **Lewis**; and nine classmates, **Febiger, Suddath, Markoe, Cress, Stuart, Brannan, Harris, Potts** and **Jouett.** So in this respect "no news is good news." I have written and sent in memorial articles on **Cress, Stuart, Brannan** and **Potts**; and the first two have been published; as have those on **Febiger**, written by his brother, Paul, and on **Markoe**, by Charlie **Gross.**

It was interesting to learn from **Gross** that Johnnie **Markoe's** family still includes four Jubilarians (service of over 50 years). They are Father Wm. **Markoe** of Marquette U., Milwaukee; Sister Mary Joseph **Markoe** of The Creighton U., Omaha; and Father John P. **Markoe** and Sister Ann Marie **Markoe**, both of the Academy of Visitation, St. Louis. The last named Sister Ann Marie was honored on her Golden Jubilee in Jan 1969.

There is nothing special to report from San Antonio. '14 was represented at the West Point Founders Day Dinner at the Officers' Club by Ike **Gill**, Tim **Rees**, and myself, and for the first time we sat at the head table—an honor we accepted with mixed emotions you will understand.

Before I forget Ferne **Potts** has given up her house on Hampton Roads Ave. which was too large to handle and her new address is: 4407-A, Victoria Blvd., Hampton, Va. 23369.

Awfully sorry this has to be so brief, but that's all the news. At least it brings my affectionate greetings to you all.

'15

Brig. Gen. Hume Peabody
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Class News—All Sorts:

Bad: We regret to report the death of Tom **Hanley** on 9 Mar. in Boca Raton. Burial was in Arlington 13 Mar. Youngest son, Father Dexter, presided at Mass. Honorary pallbearers were **Davis, Evans, Lyon, Peabody, Wallington** and Gallagher '16. Our deepest sympathy to Cecilia and the children.

Good: Freddie **Boye** continues to improve but too slowly to suit him. Easy, Fred. Remember Rome wasn't built in ten minutes.

Cal Clippings: It's official, folks! Dad **Herrick** is now Prez of the East Bay Retired Officers group. Earl **Price**, in spite of handicaps, gets around. Through telephonic liaison he reports the **Balsams** fully recovered from HK Flu; Vesta **McDermott** is well, but John not so much so; Helen **Finley** and Mary Smylie probably OK as both were out when Earl phoned. The **Emerys** are fine and Frank says Howard **Donnelly** is still golfing; the active Ed **Keltons** went East for a granddaughter's wedding; and the **Fletchers** frequently drop by while visiting offspring.

D.C. Doings: Flu bugs and treks to warmer climes so reduced the '15 "present for duty" roster that Blister **Evans** was the lone representative at the Founders Dinner. And no Classmate could be found to accompany him to Crabtown for the ARMY-Navy bounceball and wrestling. Charlie **Busbee**, wintering in Rocky Mount, Va., delivered a speech at the Founders Dinner in Charlottesville. (Youngest Grad, Buzz?) Det and Laura **Ellis** are free loading on S.C. kinfolk. Lunched with Laura **Brownell**, who is expecting . . . 6th great-grandchild! Phone call elicited OK for Helen Weyman. Jack **Davis** mislaid Founders Dinner notice and didn't relocate until too late to attend. We hope he doesn't do likewise with Form 1040. At annual Army-Navy Club Meeting, Class was represented by **Davis, Ellis**, and Golden Circle Knights **Aurand** and **Weart.**

Gatorland Gossip: Gibby **Gibson** reports Mary not too well and that fine print still eludes him. Visiting niece dragged him (protesting, no doubt) to Hialeah where he had a good day, the horses being larger than pica type. John Henry **Cochran** again occupied the "Senile Seat" at Tampa's Founders Day Dinner (Co-ed for the first time) thus forcing Mary **Welby** to sit at the head table, to her dismay. John and Winnie **Robinson** (John with but a slight "shingles hangover") and desultory golfer Ned **Zundel** completed the fivesome. The **Gerhardts** couldn't make it because of ambulatory restrictions on Ruth. Now listen well: John Henry was piping the ARMY-Air Force hockey game in St. Pete!! Hockey in Florida yet!!

Texas Tidings: **Woodruff**, who ties trout flies to wile away Gloom Period hours, reports the Mike **Davises** OK and the **Halcombs** well recovered from a mess of flu. Woody, Jawn **Leonard** and Harry **Pendleton** were the '15ers at Ft. Sam Founders Day. Believe it or not, almost a dozen older grads were present proving that not all the old crocks live in Fla.

Stray Pickups: Cliff and Mary **Tate**, wintering in Fla., were expected to see the **MacDonalds** soon. Mary **Larkin**, in Oklahoma City in Feb, planned to visit Tom Jr. and family in Calif., and return to D.C. about 1 Apr. Mason **Young**, full of news of kids and grandkids, and just back from touring S.A. extensively, in Jan was poised for a European take-off.

P.C.S.: The **Moales** from D.C. to 166 Queen St., Charleston, S.C. 29401. The Lorch's from Ky. to Brickell Town House, Apt 21-T, 2451 Brickell Ave., Miami, Fla. 33136.

Conscience Check: When did **you** last send in some news?

Think ahead!! Think 55th!!

So long for now.

'16

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I ended our Class Notes in the Winter ASSEMBLY with the information as to Constance **Finley's** death which had come to me from Tom only a few days before I wrote up those Notes. I now have a note from Tom in which he asks that his thanks be expressed to the classmates who have written him about Constance. Following services at Colorado Springs she was buried at West Point on 31 Dec. Tom said, "With my father, son, son-in-law, and brother-in-law all graduates of the Academy, and remembering our visits to and love for West Point through many years, the choice of her final resting place was very simple."

A recent letter from Bill **Hoge** expressed his sorrow over the loss of Constance. He said, "I had known her for many years and admired her very much as a wife, mother, and friend." We all extend our sympathy to Tom, their son Dr. David **Finley** (USMA '55) of Colorado Springs, and their daughter, Mrs. Gordon B. Rogers, Jr.

A recent note from Pat **Kane**, Paul's widow, tells the news that their son, Dr. John P. **Kane**, has just received the American Diabetes Association research award. Dr. **Kane** is an investigator in the U. of California Cardiovascular Research Institute in San Francisco, and is currently doing research on the chemical structure of blood fats (lipoproteins) and their relation to hardening of the arteries. He graduated from U. of Oregon medical school at Portland in 57, has his Master's degree from Oregon and his Ph.D. in Chemistry from the U. of California. A telephone conversation with Dr. **Kane** develops the information that his brother Walter has his Ph.D. in Physics from Harvard and is now associated with the Atomic Energy Commission laboratory at Brookhaven, Long Island. Another **Kane** brother, William, has his own accountancy business in San Diego, Calif. Here are some more "Class Sons" for us to be proud of.

The 10th great grandchild for '16 is reported from the **Worsham** family, a young lady born at State College, Pa., in Dec. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heyhart.

Caroline **Irvine** has been busy as co-chairman of the Arts Ball held at the Hotel del Coronado on 8 Mar. Sixteeners in the

1916: ARMY-Navy Game 1968

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1916: Helen and Woody Woodward

San Francisco area gave Helen and Woody **Woodward** the "Class treatment" early in Feb by way of dinner at Treasure Island and the presentation of a Wedgwood West Point platter. All were present and had a fine time. Herewith is a photo of the **Woodwards** at the time of their wedding.

A note from Lela **Merrell** (Spence's widow) in St. Louis advises that our Tom **McDonald** there is more or less incapacitated.

Edith **Cabell** wrote of her younger families. Her daughter Virginia is the wife of retired engineer Colonel Wilmer K. Benson (U. of Delaware 1937). Their oldest son received a battlefield commission in Vietnam and is now a Capt., having returned to Vietnam in Feb. He has two sons! There are two more Class great-grandchildren! Twelve, now! Edith has two other grandchildren in the Benson family; Nancy a business career girl and Morgan, a sophomore at the U. of Delaware. In her son Bud's family (DeRosey Carroll **Cabell** Jr. USMA '44) she has three grandchildren, the girl a senior at Auburn, one boy a freshman in college, and a second boy, age 15, in high school. This last boy is quite a horseman, having won several ribbons in dressage, jumping, and cross-country. He seems to have inherited the old Cavalry blood!

A letter from Holland **Robb** from Oaxaca, Mex., in Feb told of their travels. Marion and he flew to Honolulu to visit their younger daughter Ellie, who lives and works there. Janice, the other daughter with her husband and three children, who live in Japan, joined them in Honolulu for Christmas and New Year's. After returning to the mainland, the **Robbs** went to El Paso, contacted the **Joneses** and **Henderson** classmates there, and then drove down into Mex. They expected to be home in N.C. about 1 Mar.

Cramp **Jones** says Hearse **Henderson** is better "on the whole," but still has to go to Beaumont Hospital twice a week for treatment. Lt. Lee Emir Cage Jr. (USMA '67) one of Peggy and Fay **Prickett's** grandsons, was married at Fayetteville, N.C., on 25 Jan to Evelyn Ruth Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bradley of Greenville, S.C. Lt. Cage is a graduate student at the U. of N.C. at Chapel Hill. Bill **Hoge** had a bout with the flu in Dec, but recovered so as to go to Fla. in Jan for quail shooting with friends from Cleveland. He said the shooting was fine. Tita **Garcia**, our Rafael's widow, sent her greetings from the Philippines at Christmas time.

The accompanying photograph shows the '16 group at Helen Inglis **Woodward's** home near Santa Rosa, Calif., assembled for 68 ARMY-Navy football game. There are others present, obviously, so see if you can pick out your classmates and their wives. I'll not list the names! Buddie **Guyer** Townes and husband Clayton gave a cocktail party for Eleanor and Bob **McCullugh** early in Mar when they were visiting in Fla. Buddie also advises that Loretta **Draves** (Al's widow) from Milwaukee has been visiting friends in Boca Raton, Fla.

Laura and Dwight **Johns** drove to San Luis Obispo, Calif., in Mar to be present for the commissioning of grandson Richard **Johns** from ROTC as a 2d Lt. of Engrs. Dwight had the privilege of administering the oath to Dick. Then on 29 Mar Dick was married to Miss Barbara Lauck of Oakland, Calif., a high school classmate.

Miss Laurel V. Roberts, another of the **Prickett** grandchildren, was commissioned a WAC 2d Lt. upon her graduation from WAC OB/OCC at Ft. McClellan, Ala., in Feb. Her father, Brig. Gen. Francis J. Roberts (USMA '42), Chief of Staff Alaskan Command, was guest speaker at the graduation ceremony.

While these notes were being prepared, word came of the death of Willy **Wilson** in Los Angeles, Calif. Willy had suffered a heart attack several days ago and had been hospitalized since, seriously ill. We extend our sympathy to Dolly, to his daughter, Mrs. Ellis E. Wilhoyt, wife of Brig. Gen. Wilhoyt, Ret (USMA '37), and to his son Wm. R. **Wilson** Jr. who lives in Woodland Hills, Calif.

Harlan **Mumma** was presented the Benjamin Castle Award for outstanding contributions to the Military Academy during the past year. The presentation was made at the 69 Founders Day Dinner at Ft. Myer, Va., on 14 Mar. This award is named for the late Col. Benjamin Frederick Castle (USMA '07).

'16ers everywhere will join in congratulating Babe **Weyand** on his receipt of the Hall of Fame Award of the Helms Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles for "noteworthy contribution to football." You will recall that Babe has written six books on sports history, three on football. This is the second time that "Helms" has presented him with a medal for his writings. Here is some more **Weyand** news. The **Weyands** now have a great-granddaughter, Sandra Squillace, the daughter of the son of Kathleen **Weyand** Squillace, wife of Col. Squillace, USAF. This is great-grandchild number 13 for Class of '16. Also Col. Sandy **Weyand** (USMA '51) is still in Vietnam where he has commanded a battalion in over 30 engagements.

In a note from Dolly **Wilson**, Willy's widow, written after Willy's funeral, she extended her deep appreciation to the Class of '16 for their sympathy to her, and the flowers which the Class sent as evidence of that sympathy.

APR '17

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In Jan Jack **Code** wrote that Isabelle and he had been joined by **Whitcomb, Campbell** and Love and Jane **Mullins** in welcoming Emily **Tully** to California from Honolulu on her way back to Washington. After lunch she had a personally conducted tour of Haight and Ashbury.

The following news of West Coasters also comes from Jack **Code**. Jean and Linc **Daniels** left for a short stay in the desert to recuperate from their bout with the flu. Linc is now the representative of the USMA for Northern Calif., and Doug **Wahl** has been for some time our representative for the Southern Calif. end. Both spend much time talking to high school groups and private schools. Doug says, "We have 18 cadets in the Corps; 8 plebes went in last July." And Linc **Daniels** writes, "Am sending three plebes to the Academy next year." **Whitcomb** is now enrolled with the U. of Calif. taking courses in English. Marian **Keiser** has recovered from her broken arm. Laurence **Keiser** has been seriously ill in Letterman General Hospital. Sid **Young** can see pretty well after his cataract operation.

Spec **Irwin** has become an expert consultant on Federal income tax matters. Pete **Kilburn** is still playing golf five days a week. And the **Mullins** spent two weeks in Ariz. through Christmas and New Year with their daughter.

Jim **Hayden** reported on the Founders Day dinner at the Presidio of San Francisco, which was attended by **Campbell, Code, Daniels, Hayden, Irwin, Martin, Mullins, Wahl** (up from Monterey Peninsula) and **Whitcomb.** Jim wrote, "This blue-ribbon collection of local representatives of the Class decided that a luncheon to commemorate the 52d Anniversary of our graduation should be held at the Presidio, preferably on 21 Apr." Love **Mullins** is to be in charge.

Notes from others at the Founders Day dinner included: Louis and Elfie **Martin**, "Our two children are both in the Service and doing OK. Greetings to all of '17 and their families." Spec and Evelyn **Irwin**, "We are enjoying a short visit by son Bill, a Marine maj. stationed at the DMZ line in Korea. Spec is working with the Tax Service. Evelyn is largely taken up with her only granddaughter, Kirsten, just starting to walk." Love **Mullins**, "Greetings to all those who are 'snowed in.' Get with it and live a few years in the Golden State before it all slides into the Pacific Ocean." **Whitcomb**,

"Whether right or not, I've given much
thought
On how my life should halt;
So I live astride, or at least beside,
The San Andreas Fault."

Reporting on the Monterey delegation, Doug **Wahl** writes, "We had a very enjoyable Founders Day dinner at the Presidio of Monterey. Pete **Kilburn, Wahl** and Jimmy **Hayden** attended; Jim drove from Berkeley for the event. Our respective haciendas took a beating during the unusually heavy winter storms; now things are looking up again. Count **Melasky** is restricted rather close to home; he reports that he has fire superiority over the weeds and is able to keep them under control. That is more than I can do; I am satisfied if I can see over the top of mine. Pete **Kilburn** divides his time between golf and promoting the candidacy of his grandson to the AFA."

A note from Mars and Edna **Wightman** in Spokane, Wash., says that they are in pretty good health and are able to be of some help to their daughters, who live close by. Their eldest, Bill, '44, has retired from the AF. Son David, Lt. Col., '49, after a tour in Heidelberg, has been alerted for Vietnam. He is studying the Vietnamese language and expects to leave in June.

Bates **Compton** died on 7 Mar at his home in Vincentown, N.J., where he had been living with his daughter, Mrs. Mary Carrington. Shortly before his death he had made a trip to Calif. Bates was unable to come to active duty during WW II because of ulcers; but he served as a civilian in London, where

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Bill **Cowgill** saw him frequently. An expression of sympathy has been sent to Mary by our Class.

Word has been received of the death last Nov of Alfred **Goldman**. Although he did not graduate, he was commissioned in '17 and retired as a Reg Army maj. in 1939. He was predeceased by his wife.

Jack **Code** sent a report of the death on 20 Jan of Thoburn **Kinnear**. As a 1st Lt. in WW I, **Kinnear** was attached to the aerial observation division of the Air Corps. He is survived by two daughters, Jane **Kinnear** of Los Angeles and Mrs. Joan Van Stone of Palo Alto, and one son, Carlisle **Kinnear**, of Millbrae, Calif.

In Jan Millie and Dan **Noce** were saddened by the death of their daughter, "Tony," the wife of Col. Philip Melody. Millie wrote on 27 Jan, "We are both plunging into work to keep occupied. We have many wonderful memories, and the children are all so fine and active." Millie and Dan's son Bob, '49, after six months combat duty in Vietnam, has been assigned as S3 of Tac Operations Center for Bien Hoc Air Base. He had a wonderful farewell from all his troops, and received an oak leaf cluster for his Legion of Merit, and also 8 oak leaf clusters to his Air Medal.

At the Founders Day dinner at Ft. Myer, Va., there were seven classmates: **Bradshaw, Collins, Eley, Ford, Irving, Jackson** and **Macon**. In the Washington area we look forward to our dinner with the ladies on 19 Apr. For that occasion Charlie and Nina **Gerhardt** plan to come up from Fla., and Kewp **Yuill** is to be here from Tex. Jane **Bathurst** has moved into the Army Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20015.

An article in the POINTER says that Major H. Norman **Schwarzkopf**, Dept of Mechanics, has been selected to appear in the 69 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America." Also, he has been selected by Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge to receive a George Washington Honor Medal.

A letter just received from Norman **Cota** says, "My beloved Connie passed away early the morning of 15 Mar, here in Wichita. She had been in the Base Hospital at McConnell AFB the last ten days. Connie has been a brave soldier through a number of adversities the past few years and put a gallant fight against heavy odds. I will miss her so very much. Later this spring her remains will be interred at West Point, which she loved so much and which has been a focal point in our lives. I am so very happy this could be arranged, and when my times come I will join her there." We all extend our sympathy to Dutch. All who knew Connie loved her.

Word has just been received that Kewp **Yuill** is in the hospital, where he has had a serious major operation. We all hope that he will have a speedy recovery.

Our thanks to Bill **Heavey** for the up-to-date Class directory, for his Class Bulletin, and for the time he has devoted to Class affairs over a number of years.

AUG '17

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Before leaving on his African cruise, Biff notified the Class of George **Hirsch's** passing. All of us knew George and loved him. Edith has our most sincere sympathy in the loss of such a man. He was the same brave cheerful soul to the last. Edith says, "He never complained, and the nurses and even some of the corps men wept."

Holding these notes within the allowance of words reduces them to a record of travel, ailments, and changes of residence. First the new addresses, and then let the ailments fall where they may. A deal to sell his Maine home fell through but Skinny **Sharp** is staying south—500 23rd St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20037. Spider **Maling** is abandoning Mex. in favor of San Antonio "to be near a good old Govt. hospital" as well as his son at Ft. Sam Houston. New address, 455 Natalen, San Antonio, Tex. 78209. Helen **Bobrink** has moved to 101 Alma St., Palo Alto, Calif. 94301. Ruth **Jank** has gone to Boston where she will take an apartment with her daughter. New address as yet unknown. Doc **Faust**, of whom more later, should be addressed at 59 Blvd. Edouard VII, 06 Beaulieu-sur-mer, France.

Margaret **Barber** aborted a Caribbean trip after a fall. She flew back to Winter Park and soon recovered thanks to friends and climate. Young Hal is at the AWC teaching the likes of young Phil **Day**. Mildred **Hall** had a round the world trip during which she visited her daughter in Kuwait. Eddie and Hallie **House** had a hernia and cataracts respectively but came through nicely. Phil and Tommie **Day** don't ail; they travel a bit and do such nice things as having an annual Class outing at their artistic lake cabin. The **Rolfes** seem likewise to be uncomplaining; they just run about and enjoy life. Clyde **Morgan** basks in the light of Vera's success; she will be listed in the 69 edition of Marquis, "Who's Who of American Women."

The girls of our Class are wonderful. Margaret **Bellinger** is having her fifth annual exhibit of oils at Garfinckel's Spring Valley store. Your Scribe greatly admired their beauty. What really shook him was to realize that Margaret had done two score works in a year while looking after cantankerous old Jack who won't lift a finger once he passes the front door.

Peggy **Moore** had to call off her trip to tend a broken right arm caused by a fall on the ice. Your Scribe has bespoken her on the phone; she can talk quite well left handed. Marion **Troland** had a case of shingles. Girard substituted domestically and has decided that his erstwhile standards of cleanliness had been unduly high. Henry **Gantt** demonstrated his youth; he rose from a sickbed to entertain a near dozen kin for ten days and enjoy it. Now he has trained a setter puppy to have "better manners than the average modern child." Bunny **Harding**, inspired by your Scribe's setback, wrote about his ailment and recovery therefrom. Since he talked enthusiastically about his skiing, your Scribe discounts his sickness but not his recovery.

Doc and Mimi **Faust** had a close call when, as they drove up Blvd. Ed. VII, a 25-foot stone wall collapsed. "The hood and engine were crushed. Safety glass from the doors rained on us and a few pebbles the size of grapefruit came after. We were both bruised and Mimi had three cracked ribs. We're up and doing nicely now." Grand merci au bon Dieu. And good health to the old crocks who are classmates of your Scribe.

JUN '18

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It is with great sorrow I report the death of our classmate Wayne **Wells** at Sarasota, Fla. Wayne was buried in his home town of West Point, Neb., on 17 Feb. Growley **Gruhn** is handling Wayne's memorial—send notes to him.

Pierre **Agnew** writes that in spite of your Scribe's praise of his "winter wonderland" he was raised in upper N.Y. with duty at West Point, Plattsburg and Alaska and now prefers less hardy weather. Pierre is looking for a class HOWITZER in relatively good condition and will pay within reason.

The **Axelsons** have moved from Fla. back to San Diego. Their new address is 4623 Pavlou Ave., San Diego, Calif. 92122. They are happy to be back in U. City Village and received a royal welcome by their old friends, receiving loans of every imaginable household item. However, they did enjoy their year away. The **Cobbs**, home from their world trip, are now relaxing at their new home at Tucson. Elizabeth **Donaldson** has sent your Scribe data for T.Q.'s memorial which is now in Growley **Gruhn's** hands. Notes should be forwarded to him.

"Speaking of snowstorms," wrote Squire **Foster** from Ashville, "if we have another one I'm going to consider moving to N.H. They have had so much snow that there are now ten ski areas around Ashville." Squire also derives a lot of pleasure watching the birds in his yard scrambling for seed.

N.H. and Concord, says Frances **George**, is her ideal place to live, and in spite of the great amount of snow she has no desire to go South in the winter. The electricity has not failed in years, and the gas burner could be operated manually if necessary. Belonging to seven organizations and being an officer in five keeps her days full which helps her from being too lonely now that Paul is gone.

Received Helen and Jack **Grant's** Christmas greetings to the Class the end of Feb. The dockers strike must have been something as we received several other letters in Feb that had been mailed from England in Nov.

Growley reports no sales of surplus Reunion photo albums. Hence, those classmates who donated $10 toward their cost may have a free copy on request. Growley sent me a four volume copy of the Annual Report 67-68 of the Supe, Academic Bd., Commandant, and Management of USMA. Those of you who would like to read them drop me a line and I shall mail it to the first with instruction and list of names to continue the round. Doctors report on Growley's annual physical — All systems — go!

Bob **Hamilton** was kind enough to send me the Sarasota news clip of Wayne **Wells'** death. We need alert correspondents. Thanks Bob. Down in Jersey, while they missed the worst storms, they feel winter has been long enough and are anxious to get digging in the dirt again.

As promised, Charlie **Hoffman** has sent in his 201—original and photo to Growley, copy to your Scribe. Go you and do likewise. The **Hoffmans** are also nature and outdoor folks and started pushing the season. By early Mar. their fruit trees and grapes had been pruned and the early seeds started indoors—so—as

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Charlie expressed it, they would have plenty of time to renew acquaintanceship with their feathered friends including the topsy-turvy white breasted nuthatch. "Don't try to tell me that you will be sorry for the end of winter and the advent of spring," wrote Charlie. No, because we like all four seasons of the year and would hate to miss any one of them.

I have mentioned further on that the **Hurts** are great-grandparents three times over. Grandmother is the **Hurts'** daughter Eleanor who teaches Christian Education courses at Augustana College. Her husband, Lyle, has been teaching high school Social Sciences for over 20 years. Both Lola and Paul love nature writings and practice much of their reading outdoors. Daddy Holt reports that Bob **Bishop** is organizing the Wash. monthly lunches at the Army-Navy Club, but for Mar. they will join the Nov '18 class luncheon.

Ann **Kreber** wrote that Leo had a serious case of pneumonia in Dec and his daughter came from Colorado Springs to help Ann. After much thought, prayer and counseling Ann was persuaded to move Leo to a nearby convalescent center. She spends 7 or 8 hours a day with him and is able to join him for lunch and dinner.

This is a season of great charm for the **Lorences** at Woodley Acres—the transition of closing winter and the advent of spring. We arise in the morning and through our front bedroom windows gaze in wonder at the glory of the Green Mts. of Vt. across the Conn. River Valley. We look out the back windows upon our gardens rising gently into what becomes the White Mts. Still snow-clad fields but getting less so each morning, and since the sap is running, the color of the foliage becomes deeper and the buds plumper each day. On our way down the friendly road to stop at one of our neighbors we pause a moment before a majestic evergreen that would do justice to the White House Christmas festival, and as we gaze about we see hundreds more of them. Towards eve-tide we gaze from our kitchen window upon a strikingly colorful sunset; and just before bedtime we again go outdoors for a moment to soak up the mystery and beauty of a moon-drenched world and look upward into the brilliant starry sky (and last night the northern lights were out in all their glory) to think a moment about the wonderful world we live in and then go back upstairs to rest up for another such day. Such kindly assists and pauses make up our day. We look forward to each day because yesterday is gone, and tomorrow is still a vision.

The **McKees** report that while our North Country weather was breaking snow records they too, in southern Calif., were breaking rainfall records and with that erosion which they can't take. Breaking snow records means immobility—being snowbound; breaking rainfall records means the opposite—mobility—where old dry river beds deep enough for bridge spans are turned into raging torrents overflowing the banks, washing away houses built in drainage lines and filling those on the fringes with mud. Not all North Country houses were immobilized. Neither the **Lorences** nor their neighbors were snowbound. Not all So. Calif. houses were washed away or filled with mud. Neither the **McKees** nor their neighbors had their houses leak, float away nor tumble down hill. To watch TV one might think that entire So. Calif. was washed away or that the North Country was piled higher with snow than the polar caps. Not so, wrote Dick. Most of us are still here crowding the freeways and enjoying the weather. Not so, says your Scribe, most of us, including those who drove the ten miles to town never missed a work day.

A note with the heading "Village of Skaneateles, Office of the Mayor" informs me that our Jim **Marshall**, as he says, "for some fool reason" is running for another two-year term. Unopposed. "I'm afraid I'm in," wrote Jim. On 10 Feb Jim's son Robert C. **Marshall**, '43, was promoted to Brig. Gen.

And in N.Y. our Lucius **Clay** on 25 Feb at the Freedom Award dinner of International Rescue Committee was presented the 69 Freedom Award by Willy Brant, West German foreign minister.

Due to a defective furnace, the **Mewshaws** were burned out early in March. The house still OK except for minor holes in room floors and walls plus much smoke and oil damage. "Lucky were we," wrote Harry, "that it happened at 42 degrees above at 7:30 a.m. Think if it had been Anna Mary and Spike who were burned out at midnight at minus 42 degrees." Kitty **Boineau** and his Allied Van Lines was there sorting and packing things under Alexia's supervision for storage until the house can be refinished. S. C. was also hard hit by snow, wind and sleet and lost millions of dollars worth of timber.

Your Scribe sent Bud **Miley** his 201 for updating as per his request. After looking it over Bud returned it without change. It is sometimes good to know that what you wrote some years back still stands the test of time. In Fla. for a month Fenie and Bud found the weather no better than Wash. We're glad we stayed put, and believe it or not, our temperatures this winter were above normal.

Murray **Neilson** is still planning to visit the **Lorences** during spring, summer or fall even though he admits the winter is beautiful. With son Bob, Murray visited his daughter Carolyn at Huntington, W.Va., during Bob's spring vacation from Pembroke Country Day School. Sara and her mother made a cruise around Africa and back up the east coast of So. Amer. and the West Indies. After her European trip last fall and a short stay in Calif. Mildred **Pichel** spent a month in the sunshine at Guadalajara, Mex., with a later visit to N.Y.

Robbie **Robinson** reports that he is finally adjusting to being semi-retired buying and selling antique glass, while Barbara keeps busy on her social welfare work. They took a ten-day trip to the Virgin Islands and visited with Robbie's two married daughters in Wash.

Bee **Rundell** is now in a more cheerful frame of mind and is happy to announce that Earle has gained weight and is walking with only the aid of a cane, which, Bee tells him, makes him look very distinguished. One of Earle's greatest enjoyments this last winter has been the little theatre of birds outside the window, mainly the beautiful cardinals. They proudly announce their first great-grandson who belongs to Bobbie's side of the family so won't be a **Rundell**.

Monk and Betty **Sherman**'s grandson and his little bride have made them great-grandparents. Having had the first June '18 grandson to graduate from WP, Monk is wondering if he is now the great granddad of the Class. He wants all the great granddads in the Class to stand up and be counted. Paul **Hurt** mentioned that his daughter Eleanor has three grandchildren which makes the **Hurts** great-grandparents three times. Now the **Rundells** have their first. Your Scribe believes there are others so is asking for a count down with dates of birth which he will write up in one of his quarterly class letters.

On 28 Dec 68, Jody and Pat **Tansey** celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with three of their five children present to join in the celebration. They were overwhelmed by the many acknowledgments—June '18 sent congratulations; Pope Paul his papal blessings; the Pres. of the U.S. and Mrs. Johnson their best wishes; the Chief of Engrs acknowledged the special occasion; and the Supt. of WP sent a lovely scroll. Fifty years of marriage has brought great joy into their hearts—and five children—and nineteen grandchildren—AND very soon, a great-grandchild!

An airmail special from Stuart, Fla. where the **Tompkins** are building a small two bedroom home. Nonie is busy furnishing it and doesn't want Tommy to see the inside until she has finished. Then Tommy grows lyrical and quotes from the song "You can't build a home with hammer and nails. . . . It takes a lot of loving to make a home." And then a true June '18er when he adds "I am sure ours will be rich in that Dept." Driving to Fla. in mid-Jan between storms, they wound up with more rain, wind, and cold. Being primarily North Country folks they likewise are intrigued with the little nuthatch which I described in the Class letter and his upside-down meanderings.

Driven from their N.H. summer home by a blizzard in mid-Nov the **Townsleys** arrived in Charleston just in time for not too good weather. After Christmas, Clarry had a bout with a peculiar flu bug which turned into a pneumonia case. But with spring on the way they are busy planning their return to N.H. if and when they can get their water line into Squam Lake. Where there's a will there's a way, and it will dry up those cold germs. Before moving to the North Country, your Scribe had a cold every winter; up here not a cold to date.

The **Wards** on a world trip sent a card from Sidney, Australia, just before continuing their journey through the South Seas to Panama and Martinique where they flew home on 24 Mar.

And that's it folks. Thanks for reading. May each of your days be full of the things that make joy and contentment.

NOV '18

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A letter has come from **Dzau** enclosing a copy of a lecture on faith delivered by him to the Christmas party for students of Linson College in Macao. It is a splendid exposition of **Dzau's** own faith and a sound basic philosophy for them. Linson College is as interesting as ever and still functioning despite the recent political changes in Macao. **Dzau** has been visited during the past year by many keen minded men and women interested in education, some doing research for Ph.D. theses, some preparing to teach Chinese in English speaking universities, and some to teach English in Chinese universities. Others were educational psychologists studying the methods used at Linson College. The college is short of staff, so **Dzau**, as has

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been necessary most of the time, has had to play many roles in addition to Headmaster. His greatest pride is that a majority of his former pupils gain prominence in their universities by getting on the "Deans' Lists". I feel guilty, not writing to Linson **Dzau** more frequently. We all should do so. He loves hearing from us all and ends his letter, "I love friends and I'd like to be in touch with them all." Arch **Colwell** and Dick **Groves** have done yeoman service in their combined efforts to provide financial assistance to Linson College, Linson **Dzau's** splendid school in Macao.

Our recent losses have been severe. George **Eddy** died at Carlsbad, N.M., on 5 Jan. George's son, Col. George G. Eddy Jr., who is on duty at the Pentagon, brought him to Arlington where Howard **Peckham** and other members of the class were able to join George's family for services.

Hastings, writing to me of Gene **Vidal's** death, used the words, "Our hero is gone." And what a hero he was to us all. My first memory of him is poised on the diving board in the old pool at West Point after Plebe Gym, a perfect human form. Gene has been an idol to us all ever since, but I daresay his life, although seemingly one of glamor to his classmates, was not always as easy as Gene made it look. After early prominence as the first Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Air, there were long years of hard plugging. His excellent brain was always busy. He founded the first real passenger high speed airline—N.Y. to Washington. Many of his inventions have contributed to our age of technology. He was a director of Northeast Airlines and other corporations and for many years had his own manufacturing plant in Conn. Kit will be in N.Y. temporarily.

Bernard F. **Farley,** who was Fred **Pearson's** plebe wife and left the Academy in Jan 17 after difficulties with P. Echols, died in N.Y.C. 11 Dec 68. After leaving West Point he attended Fordham, got his law degree in 23 and has been a practising attorney in N.Y. Further information not available when the last Class Directory was published is coming to light. Walter **Peck,** who had a rewarding career in the Air Force, was retired as a General Officer. Peck died 24 Dec 65 and is interred in Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery at San Diego, Calif. Clarence **Rosendahl** died 5 Mar 65. He is buried in the family plot in Cleburne, Tex.

When they got back from the Reunion in June, some of the girls in Washington talked of periodic meetings of some kind. Finally Jimmie **Peckham** got the ball rolling. There is now a distaff lunch at the Army-Navy Club the second Wednesday of each month. Husbands join up for coffee after their lunch.

Blair got a letter from Frank **Huston** in early January advising that he had undergone successful surgery to correct an aortic aneurysm. Frank started the ceremony "Massing the Colors" in Tucson.

Blair has talked on the telephone with Cornie and Helen **Hahn** who are back home in Boulder. The sojourn south in Tex. was a happy one for them. A grandson, son of Col. Bill now stationed in Washington, D.C., is attending the Colorado School of Mines at Golden. Chief **Brimmer** is going strong. He sent **Blair** a picture of himself with one of the imposing batches of fish he caught. The Chief gives evidence of being healthy, relaxed, and soberly pleased. He is conspiring to get himself some company one of these days. Someone just might happen to have business at Cheyenne requiring personal attention. **Blair** has seen Kit **Benton** for a few minutes in Denver. Kit is well and busy with her home and her many Denver activities. A card received from Ethel **Gambill** states, regarding the ladies' favor pin the Class sent: "You boys deserve plenty of credit for keeping us happy. Herbert would be so proud of you. I'm enjoying wearing the 1918 Class pin in his honor. Tell Howard and his wife how much I appreciate the replica of the West Point cadet in the design."

Fred **Pearson** and Duke **Dunkleberg** were the only members of the Class at the Founders Day Dinner at Ft. Sam. Fred says that he is finally licking the series of colds he has fought all winter and that Jodie is much better and drives her car again. Duke **Dunkelberg** has had a cataract successfully removed from his right eye. When his lens is fitted for that eye, the cataract on the left eye will be removed.

Jim **Styron** took a five-week trip to the Canary and Madeira Islands and Lisbon during Jan and Feb, sailing from and returning to Port Everglades, Fla. Jim's oldest grandson, James C. **Styron** III, has a principal appointment to the Academy this year. He took his exams at Ft. Sill in late Feb, feels that he is well prepared and will enter with the Class of '73 in July. Jules **Piland** now thinks that he will settle in San Antonio.

The Franklyn County (Va.) Gazette of 30 Jan 69 carries a four-column article, with two excellent photographs, all about Dick **Lee,** his early days in Rocky Mount, Ft. Belvoir, the Ft. Peck Dam, Lee geneology and many intriguing historical anecdotes including how Mrs. Walker delayed Gen. Tarleton by burning his pancakes and plying him with brandy, thus allowing Thomas Jefferson to escape the trap that Tarleton had set for him. I do wish I could include the entire article.

Gilland, Ericson, Butler and **Al Miller** attended the Founders Day Dinner in San Francisco. Mac **Monroe** did not make it as Helen was sick.

Corp writes from Fla. that as a result of one personal letter to each of the 26 classmates and eight widows in his area, and two regional letters, six widows have replied and 13 classmates. Those that did reply have usually written twice or more. Frances **Middleton** is very busy running her store, Briarcliff Village Gallery, and handling Atlanta real estate. Ruth **Harding** asks that her address be changed to 1573 Clifton Rd., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. 30329. Eve **Schilling** reports many activitites, politics and community projects. She visited San Antonio in Sept. Helen **Williamson** is hard at work with church activities and the cancer crusade.

On 2 Nov 68 Esther and Mark **Rhoads** celebrated their Golden Anniversary. In a telephone conversation with Corp, Mark reported a wonderful family reunion. Monk **Dickson** reports that Henry **Lodge** is at the Drake Hotel, Philadelphia. Henry was not well during the fall.

Bryan Hunter **Conrad,** aged 13, is to be confirmed at Christ Church, Millwood, Va., on Sunday, 13 Apr 69 by the Episcopal Bishop of Va. His Godfather, Lt. Gen. Richard Leslie Groves, will be present to supervise.

Bill **Blair** has located the missing heir. He has found Dick **Madigan's** sister, Mary, the wife of Adm. Clark R. Green, U.S.N., Ret., in Long Beach, Calif. So Mrs. Green should soon get Madigan's share of the 1918 oil speculation.

Lee **Gray** has returned from a month at the Moana Hotel, Honolulu. His grandson, David Perry Jr., is home from two years Navy service in Vietnam on the U.S.S. Clarke County, LST 601. He is now a student at Western Washington State College, making good marks.

Wiley **Carter** is hospitalized at March Field in serious condition. Cards are always helpful. Lt. Col. John **Gibney,** son of our Lou, headed the team that met with the Reds to obtain the release of the three prisoners last Dec. Coral **Ericson** had a stay at Letterman but is now recovered and looking fine. Their Dick Jr. is Political Counselor at the Embassy in Tokyo where they plan to visit soon. Dean **Dickey** threatens to leave for San Diego—but as yet no new address. Charlie **Bathurst** is making real progress but still needs oxygen. He is making a great fight and continued progress is expected. René **Pinto** was in Ward 21-3 U.S. Naval Hospital, San Diego 92134, when last heard from, so assume a card or two will help him along. **Buchanan** is home again in Phoenix. He is much better but still not comfortable and his eyes make night driving difficult. Congratulations and best wishes—Eddie **Pope** and Alice James were married early in March.

Many letters have come to **Peckham** and **Hastings** from widows expressing pleasure at having been sent the 50th Reunion ladies pin. Typical is one that Betty **Babbitt** wrote to me: "The beautiful pin, sent to me from Dick's classmates, from the 50th anniversary, came yesterday. Words are so inadequate, it is difficult to attempt to tell you what the pin means to me—so—I'll just say, 'Thank you'. Dick would be very happy to know you sent the pin to me."

'19

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These lines are written on 20 Mar and will probably be delivered to you not long after our 50th Reunion. While our interest is centered on that event, these notes must relate to other matters.

Gus **Broberg** writes from the Los Angeles area that reports about the rains in southern Calif. were grossly exaggerated. He says: "Our annual liquid sunshine, which usually comes only in the winter, amounted to only 40 inches in Jan and Feb in our town! The snow pack in the high Sierras stands at 50 feet, which will knock out our early fishing trip up there. In spite of this, Henry and Deborah **Nichols** made their annual trip out here. They spent one rainy week at La Jolla where Ralph and Mary **Bassett** and Joe and Carlene **Holly** had dinner with them. Then they went to Tucson, Ariz., for a month, then to the San Francisco Bay region for a week, and finally to Victoria, B.C., for salmon fishing before returning by train through Canada to their Maine home. Nick wrote from Tucson that Bill and Effe May **Isaacs,** whose home is in that city, were taking a trip to Salt Lake City to see how they would be able to stand the longer trek to our 50th. Rooney and Gertrude **Taylor** are also in Tucson for a couple of weeks, then a week in Phoenix, before continuing to southern Calif., where they will receive the usual red carpet treatment reserved for all distinguished classmates who let us know they are coming."

According to Count **Wilson,** Harris and Gretchen **Scherer,** who left Washington last fall, reached Calif. in Jan, visiting in Monterey and San Francisco, and sailed about 20 Feb on a Pacific cruise of about two months.

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1919: Group of Ivan Lawrence's Cocktail Party for General and Mrs. Wedemeyer. Front row: Ruby Zimmerman, Marie Pierce, Toots Frederick, Dade Wedemeyer, Anabel Jones, Margie Lawrence, and Helen Hill. Intermediate row: Marjorie McLean, Marjorie Winn, and Mary Hill. Top row: Ken Pierce, Ike Lawrence, Dave McLean, Walt Winn, Al Wedemeyer, Luther Hill, Lil Frederick, Zim Zimmerman, Lee Syme, Herb Jones, and Bob Hill.

Duke **Daniel**, of Nashville, Tenn., in a note to Bob **Crichlow**, told of a hunting trip to the high Sierra de la Madera Mountains in Sonora, Mex., in Dec 68 under rugged conditions, up to 10,000 feet and ten degrees above zero. He shot a big mountain lion, two wild turkeys, and a deer at 300 yards. Because he would soon be 72-years-old, he wanted to test his stamina, and found he had plenty. Now he wants to hunt a bighorn ram in the Canadian Rockies. On his way home to Nashville he saw Tom **Crawford** and Packy **McFarland** in Phoenix.

Roy **Green** and Sonia Jarvis were married in the Cadet Chapel at West Point on 28 Dec 68; they now live in Cornwall-on-Hudson.

Founders Day dinner was held on 14 Mar in San Antonio, where **Collier, Gard, Noble,** and **Springer** were expected to attend, according to Chic. In Washington, on the same date, the dinner was attended by **Booth, Cranston, Crichlow, Ferenbaugh, Flory, Gruenther, Hammond, Hardin, Martin, McAuliffe, Ovenshine, Palmer,** and **Phelps**; Gen. Westmoreland made the principal address. Ken **Pierce** wrote of the dinner in Fla.: "Dade and Al **Wedemeyer** left the Washington area about 22 Jan on a trip around the world by air. After visiting many lands in South America, Africa, and Asia, the **Wedemeyers** returned to the U.S. via Honolulu and Los Angeles. On their arrival in the Tampa Bay area, Margie and Ike **Lawrence** greeted the travelers with a cocktail party to which they invited all classmates, wives, and widows in the area. The affair was from five to seven on Friday, 14 Mar, in the Crystal Room of the International Inn in Tampa, and a memorable gathering it was! The hosts overlooked nothing to make it a very special occasion, even providing a photographer who made visual records for posterity. Our numbers were swelled by Anabel and Herb **Jones**, who flew down from Washington (Al, Ike, and Herb were cadet roommates), Helen and Roy **Hill**, who drove over from Miami, and Mary and Luther **Hill**, who came up from Naples. Bringing the total to 21 SO's and SOettes were local yokels, Toots and Lil **Frederick**, Marjorie and Dave **McLean**, Marie and Ken **Pierce**, Lee Syme, Marjorie and Walt **Winn**, and Ruby and Wayne **Zimmerman**. The following night the same 21 individuals represented '19 at the Founders Day dinner of the Fla. West Coast West Point Society. It was held at the U. Club of Tampa, which occupies the top (22d) floor of the Exchange National Bank building in down-town Tampa (the view is out of this world). Ike did a splendid job as president, and Al gave the main address, a fine combination of remarks about West Point and comments on the situation in the Far East, an area about which Al speaks with authority second to none. It was another evening which will long be remembered by those present. For the first time in the history of this society, wives, widows, and sweethearts were invited to the Founders Day dinner, and the turn-out of 184 was gratifying." At the meeting Ike was re-elected president and Ken continued as a member of the Board of Governors.

Our losses continue. James R. **Manees**, a non-graduate, died last 30 Oct; **Tex Warren** died on 15 Jan; and Martin **Fennel** died recently, but I do not know the exact date. Mike **Brannon** was in Walter Reed Hospital for an operation, but is now home regaining his strength. Bill **Weyman** is in Walter Reed, and Paul **Miller** is in a nursing home in Silver Spring, Md.

'20

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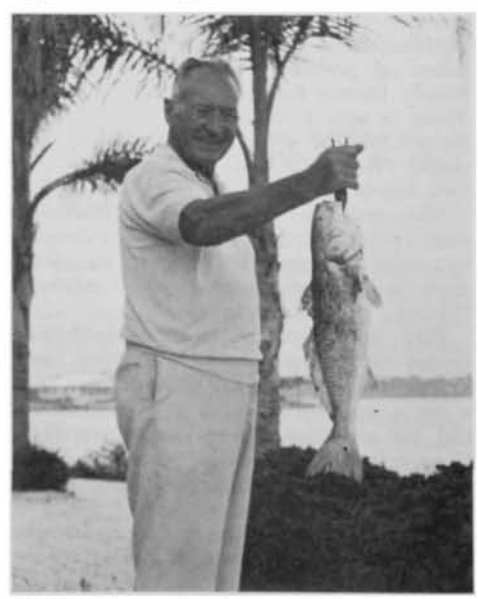
In the rush of getting out the Winter notes correspondence was mislaid and overlooked, and credit was erroneously given or in cases omitted. Eddie **Plank** was credited with reporting Don **Stace's** death and funeral. This was actually reported by Eddie **McGaw**, who with **Hal Miller** and their spouses represented the Class at the funeral. Eddie also sent a clipping of a fine half-column obituary which appeared in a local paper.

Eddie reported Bob and Betty **Kreuter's** return after a year's sojourn in Europe; they promptly took off for the San Francisco area to spend the holidays with their daughter and grandchildren. Eddie visited the **Higgins** in Palos Verde during the holidays and found that **Higgie** had continued his remarkable improvement and was climbing and pruning trees. He had seen Frank and Esther **Roberts**. Frank had lost almost all vision in his left eye due to irreparable detached retina. He was hoping for an appointment to West Point for their son who graduates from high school this spring. They anticipate another year of preparation before entry.

Eddie and Lillian were justifiably proud of their grandson, Alan W. Jones III, who was the honor graduate from the 12 weeks' "Accelerated Leadership Course" at Ft. Sill and, as a result, was made S. Sgt. (E-6) before he had completed one year's service. They attended the ceremony. Later, in Vietnam, Sgt. Jones was decorated for bravery under fire while serving with the 25th Div Arty. Bob and Win **Watt** reported from San Diego that Bob was on a rigid diet because of a recurrent ulcer. He expected to come off the diet in July and thereupon celebrate appropriately. Many thanks to Eddie for much Class news even though, through my error, it could not be included in the Winter notes.

Bill and Lillian **Bessell** were visiting children and grandchildren in the Washington area recently. Bill took occasion to attend the 2d Monday Class luncheon at the Army and Navy Club and the Founders Day dinner at Ft. Myer. Others attending the dinner were **Burns, Byers, Casgrain, Farrell, Fisher, Gillette, Hayden, Holle, Mitchell J.D., Mitchell W.L., Rehm, Samouce,** and **Stratton**—14 in all. Monthly Class luncheons continue well attended, from 12 to 20 usually being on hand. Names of those recently seen at the Army-Navy Club on the 2d Monday and not previously mentioned are: **Cassidy, Dillon, Downing, Merritt, Routheau, Seybold,** Bob **Trimble, Tully,** and Damon **Gunn**, Ex 20.

Ann and Charles **Holle** gave a cocktail buffet in honor of the **Bessells**, with all classmates and wives in the vicinity of Washington invited. Attending were the **Burnses, Casgrains,** Janet **Claterbos**, the **Coes, Densons, Dillons, Downings, Farrells, Fisher,** the **Haydens, Holle's** son Bradford, the **Mitchells** J.D., **Mitchell** W.L., the **Rehms, Routheaus, Samouces,** and **Strattons**. Several were out of town or ailing or otherwise committed. A splendid occasion, for all in attendance. **Merritt** was ailing, the **Byerses** and **Tully** were in Fla. Clovis got back in time for Founders Day dinner and reported seeing Esher **Burkhart** and Pinkie **Gilbert** in Ft. Myers—both doing well.



1920: Harry Travis modestly notes: "I catch these off my dock and use them for bait when I go fishing."

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Chit and Ruth **Chitterling** have sold their home in N.J. are now traveling in Fla. and Hawaii and expecting to move to Annapolis, Md., on 1 June. Their son is an MD in Annapolis. We in the Washington area are looking forward to having another classmate nearby.

Charlie **West** reports a big weekend in St. Petersburg, attending Founders Day dinner in Tampa with 14 classmates and 8 wives in attendance; mentioned seeing the **Chitterlings** and said that Leland **Smith** was sending the complete list—a wonderful turnout.

Fred and Lily **Pitts** have sold their home in Winter Park, Fla., moved to an apartment in nearby Maitland and indulged themselves in a 3-months' tour of the Middle East and Europe, from Ankara to Rotterdam to Lisbon and intermediate points, traveling by plane, train, car, and bus, arriving back in Maitland via Chicago and Wisc. after nearly 4 months' absence, in time for the delightful Fla. winter.

A recent letter from Bert **Randles'** widow to Charles **Holle** tells of Bert's death. "We lost him last Apr when he did not survive surgery for an aortic aneurysm. I have been too stunned and crushed to talk or write about it." We are all saddened by this word.

Other sad news comes from Hippo **Swartz**, through George **Rehm**. George **Bare's** wife Calesta died in mid-Dec. Hippo and Ray **Welch** attended the funeral, as did George's son, Pete, an Army major, USMA '60, and a daughter. The other son, Bill, an A.F. officer, is missing in Vietnam. In late Jan both Hippo and Isabelle were still convalescent from severe flu attack from just before Christmas.

Jack and Alma **Goff**, after being flu-bound in Chicago and visiting relatives in N.J., finally got underway to Fla. in mid-Jan. He hoped to see Pinky **Loupret** at Va. Beach and to visit other classmates in Fla.

Carl **Engelhart** in two very interesting letters to Frank **Farrell** related some of his experiences in the Philippines and subsequent years as a prisoner of the Japanese. Speaking of classmates he relates: "John T. **Ward** was in the QM in the Philippines. . . . He was on the Death March out of Bataan. A lt. told me later that Ward fell off a bridge over a creek near Limay and was shot by the Jap guards as he stood in the water.

"**Vanture's** sense of humor never left him during our woes in the prison camp. . . . He was among those killed when one of our planes dropped a stick of five bombs on our prison ship, one is a hold for prisoners. . . . I plucked a fragment out of my chest, but it was so hot it burnt my fingers and cauterized the wound. . . ."

(Carl had been a Japanese language student) "I had many opportunities to go off with various Jap units as an interpreter, which would have meant a far more comfortable life with plenty of food for me, but I managed to stay with the bulk of prisoners. I felt it was my duty, but I take no credit for it; the twig was bent that way at the Point."

Carl was recently the subject of a very involved two-day surgical operation, with malignancy suspected. None found, and Carl happily recovering at his home in Seal Beach, Calif.

Joe **Dillon**, a widower the past several years, was married last 31 Dec to Mrs. John Bröder Moss, widow of a Navy admiral. They had planned an extensive honeymoon trip to the Southwest Pacific which had to be cancelled when Joe had to undergo an appendectomy. Then a few weeks later in Los Angeles, on the eve of a trip to Hawaii, Joe came down with pneumonia, and the trip to Hawaii fell through. Joe's wife, Dorothy, says that he had been saving his aches and pains until he had a wife to care for him, and this seems to have worked well as he is now the picture of health and golfing as weather permits.

Since the public release of his having requested retirement on 1 July 69 and the selection of Gen. Goodpaster as his successor, Lyman **Lemnitzer** has been the recipient of high praise in the U.S. and European press. Special mention was made of his 6½ years as SACEUR, some months longer than anyone else; of his 27-years consecutive service as a general officer, longer than anyone else, and having 49 years of uninterrupted active duty (51 counting cadet service), longer than anyone in modern history. Quoting the German press: "He guided NATO with tact and firmness through the crisis de Gaulle created" and "In a hectic period beset with crises, his clear insight into complicated facts, his cool reason, his experience, and, last but not least, his imperturbable inner calm made his office the constant factor in the allied structure." In the Belgian press: "A very sympathetic soldier, incisive in his speech, but very cordial" and "Often a lone voice in the wilderness, he repeatedly emphasized the risk of reducing military service to less than 18 months." A syndicated U.S. cartoon caricatured Lem as admonishing a soldier labeled "NATO" with words "SHAPE Up."

Upon being queried Lem responded: "While I very much regret leaving this area, I thought that this was as good a time as any, having accomplished the items for which I stayed on several years longer than I originally expected. Many people, of course, are trying to find out what I am going to do in the future. My answer is that, having worked for the same firm for 51 years, I have no immediate plans other than to get settled down after this many years in the service. Initially I plan to be 'dual-based.' We have a small house in northwest Washington, and I maintain my family residence in Honesdale, Pa., and we hope to utilize them both.

"Needless to say, I shall look forward to attending the Class luncheons at the Army-Navy Club and associating with members of the Class once again. I have just given the 'Oldest Grad' talk at the Founders Day dinner here at SHAPE and at Headquarters US EUCOM in Stuttgart. I have had this role ever since I have been in Europe, i.e., for seven Founders Day dinners. All during the time we have been in Europe, we have only had occasion to see classmates occasionally."

We in the Washington area will be glad to have Lem and Kay back with us.

A sad postscript: Brig. Gen. Frederick M. **Harris** died at Kimbrough Army Hospital, Ft. Meade, Md., 10 April 1969, of inoperable cancer after a long illness involving extensive hospitalization at Walter Reed and at Kimbrough. The funeral was at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church near Annapolis, Md., with burial in the church cemetery. Classmates attending the services were Clovis **Byers**, Frank **Farrell**, Ted **Gillette**, Sid **Hinds**, Charles and Anne **Holle**, George and Marguerite **Rehm** and Duke and Elton **Samouce**. Fred leaves his wife Dorothy; daughters, Mrs. Wm. M. Redd and Dr. Mildred Ellett; and son, Frederick D. Harris.

'21-'22

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I am sorry to report that Frank **Spettel** passed away on 7 Jan. Frank's daughter Ann wrote me that her father had a severe stroke two years ago and that he had made a very good recovery. Frank's wife died in Mar of last year which was quite a shock to him, but he carried on until 8 Jan when he had another stroke which proved fatal. Frank is survived by three sons and a daughter, and we extend to them our sincere sympathy.

As a result of my memo of 1 Feb the first letter I received came from Hank **Reed**. Upon the death of his father, Hank retired from the Army and entered the family business in Richmond, Va. He has enjoyed his business career and has done very well.

'21-'22: At Ponte Vedra Forum for National Affairs: Max Taylor, Ditty Taylor, Harry Haas.

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'21-'22: Taken at home of Dorothy Spalding, Light House Point, Florida, during winter Class Reunion. From left to right: Nelson, Murphy, Mary Strong, Glen Wilhide, Lucile Anderson, David Field, Anderson, Meyer, Strong, Edna Johnson, Maxine Barrett, Tyler, Haas, May Murphy, Katherine Meyer, Dorothy Spalding, Ila Svihra, Jimmy Wilhide, Meps Smith, Mona Tyler, Mrs. Field, Bev Kane, Johnson.

He and his wife Jackie live in the country and find time to work his horses and do a bit of hunting. By the way if you need any dry goods, notions, floor coverings, ready-to-wear, bedding etc., get in touch with Hank. He can probably get it for you at a discount.

At the annual meeting of the Association of USA Max **Taylor** was presented with the George Catlett Marshall Medal for Selfless and Outstanding Service to the U.S. The medal was presented by the former Sec. of the Army Mr. Frank Pace. Congratulations, Max, a most deserving award.

On 24 Feb Max **Taylor** was the guest speaker at the Ponte Vedra Forum, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Your reporter had the pleasure of attending the affair and hear **Max** talk about "The Reasons Behind the Key Decisions in Vietnam." If you ever have the opportunity to hear him talk on this subject of Vietnam, don't miss it. His talk was most enlightening and interesting and extremely well received by all those present.

All the Dutch are not in Pa. Last 19 Nov at the Biltmore Hotel in N.Y. The Holland Society of N.Y. honored Gen. Westmoreland and our own **Cort Schuyler** was one of the guest speakers.

The snow-bird Orioles held the second of what is hoped will be an annual Winter Reunion. The 68 gathering proved so successful that Johnny R.H. and Granger **Anderson** again invited all Orioles wherever they may be to Fla. for a get-together. The festivities started at La Gorce Country Club on the evening of 6 Mar for cocktails and dinner, followed by dancing. Then on the 7th, Dorothy **Spalding** held a cocktail party at her house at Light House Point, followed by a dinner at Granger's Deerfield Beach Country Club. It was a gay and enjoyable series of parties. Those that sent in their regrets missed the opporunity to wallow in the Fla. sun and do a little elbow bending with your classmates. Among those present were: Maxine **Barrett**, Granger and Lucile **Anderson**, Johnny and Edna **Johnson**, Ham and Katherine **Meyer** and their charming daughter **Jane**, Bob and May **Murphy**, Pat and Mary **Strong**, Hank and Mona **Tyler**, Jimmy and Glenn **Wilhide**, Gus **Nelson**, Harry **Haas**, Dorothy **Spalding**, Meps **Smith**, Bev **Kane**, Ila **Svihra**, and Mr. and Mrs. David Z. **Field** Ex '22. Due to illness both Gus **Nelson's** and Harry **Haas'** wives could not attend.

The Ham **Meyers** flew to Fla. from Sonoma, Calif., and the **Strongs** from Savannah, Ga. We hope next year that more Orioles will take the time out of their "Busy Schedules" and attend these winter Reunions. As for busy schedule Bill **Kyle** sent his regrets because several Board Meetings prevented. This can be understood after seeing the full page ad in 18 Mar issue of LOOK magazine which showed William Harvey **Kyle** as a member of the Board of Directors of the General Development Corp. It listed Bill as a Consultant; Retired Banker; Director, Port Charlotte Bank; Trustee, Cleveland Clinic Foundation; Life Trustee, Cleveland Community Fund; Honorary Lay Trustee, John Carroll U. Busy or not let's all take some time out and enjoy old friendships.

It is not too early to start thinking about our 50th Reunion at West Point in 72. Ham **Meyer** suggested that we might give some thought to establishing a fund to help those who might find a trip to West Point a little beyond their pocketbook. An expression of your thinking along these lines will be appreciated.

I regret to report that Toy **Gregory** has not been well since before Christmas. Last Oct he contracted flu followed by bronchitis neither of which he was able to shake off. He spent some time in U.C.L.A. Hospital and there came down with Chemical Pneumonia. Toy has been back and forth between Las Vegas and the hospital several times and while no word has been received since 17 Feb we hope he is on the way to recovery. Toy's wife, Frances has asked that her thanks be conveyed to all who so kindly sent cheering notes to Toy.

Ben and Lil **Chidlaw** have planned a busy schedule for themselves. About the middle of Mar they planned a vacation "down in the desert" and then spend a couple weeks with some Calif. friends at Las Vegas seeing all the shows and breaking a few gambling casinos. Power to you Ben. Upon return from Las Vegas with a pile of winnings Ben and Lil will take off for Seattle where they will meet up with Jimmy and Lou **Spry** (Lil and Lou are sisters) and take a boat to Juneau getting there in time for the silver salmon run. They will then fly to Anchorage, leave the wives there and proceed to a spot in the Aleutians for the king salmon run. Then back to Anchorage, pick up the wives and fly via amphibian plane to a trout stream some 60 miles southeast of Anchorage where there is exceptionally good trout fishing. All us fishermen surely envy the **Chidlaws** and **Sprys**. Your scribe will have to be content with catching king mackerel, red snappers, bonitoes, and blue fish here in Fla. Ben wrote me a 6-page letter, and I am going to save some of the information for future editions.

One of our classmates does have a great-grand son. I noted on page 179 of the 68 REGISTER of GRADUATES that Leonard **Stephens** had a grandson graduate in the Class of 1964. And now a letter comes from Clarence **Dean** stating that "At the last Calif. game at Berkeley, **Stephens**, L.E. boasted to me of the arrival of his great-grandchild. Could possibly be more by now." Congratulations Leonard. And as for the rest of you guys that shouldn't make you think you are as young as you used to be. **Dean** also wrote that there has been no appreciable change in George **Taylor's** condition. George fell victim to a massive stroke from which he has never recovered and is still in the VA Hospital in Palo Alto, Calif. Let's send him a word of good cheer.

Al **Price** writes me that upon retirement from the service in 1947 he worked for the Ford Co. in Chicago for nine years. He then joined Aerojet General in Sacramento, Calif., and retired from that company upon reaching the retirement age of 65. Since then he has studied real estate and now has a broker's license and embarking on a third career. Al had three sons and a daughter. The youngest one is a realtor, the next older one graduated from the Academy Class '53, and the oldest one, a Lt. Col., Airborne Artillery was killed recently in Vietnam. We are sorry to learn about this, and we extend to you, Al, our sincere sympathy. Al's daughter, a registered

'21-'22: Bill and Marge Lawton in India.

nurse, is married to Col. L. R. Forney who is scheduled to attend the NWC next session.

Bob and Thelma **Douglass** are enjoying life at Eden Isle, Ark. Bob's suggestion that we stage a reunion at Eden Isle has a lot of merit. The way Bob writes about his neck of the woods makes me think I might have erred in settling in Fla. He looked the world over and found Eden Isle to be his and Thelma's ideal. And he is not about to change the name of Ark. either. The Douglasses expect to do a bit of traveling this summer, golfing, fishing, hunting and some relaxing. Ah, what a life!

The **Kleins** have it made. While they go galavanting around the country, their two sons carry on the business (real estate and insurance). Art and Virginia just could not fit the winter reunion into their busy

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schedule. Art had to attend the Alumni Foundation meeting at West Point of 1 Mar, then the West Point Founders Day Dinner on 8 Mar. Shortly thereafter they had to pull up stakes and start on a two-months trek across the continent visiting friends and relations such as Virginia (Jr) in Los Angeles, brother Ted in San Antonio, Bob **Douglass** (Ginny's brother) in Ark., Ginny's sister in Memphis. They will arrive home in time to take off for their summer home on Lake George, N.Y., where they will stay until the latter part of Sept. While at the lake Art does a lot of resting (I should think he would have to) fishing and boating. Art is Rear Commodore of the local Yacht Club. Last year his club hosted the National Comet Regatta, the regional Turnabout Regatta, and the Lake George Open for Stars. Art evidently went to the wrong academy in the first place. He is evidently pretty good at handling a boat. A local Coast Guard Midshipman complimented Art on his ability to dock his boat with the crack, "Pretty good for an Army man." Power to you Art, you are entitled to the best. I might suggest that you arrange a regatta with Pat **Strong** and Frank **Greene**, both avid sailers.

Not only is Frank **Greene** a sailor but a skier too. After skiing for a week at Stowe, Vt., he and Marcia were caught in a blizzard on the way home and had to abandon their car some distance from home and walk the rest of the way. Two days later they were able to retrieve their car. That is what you get for living up there where they have so much of that white stuff. The **Greenes** spent 9 months of the year at their home in Poughkeepsie and the other three months at their summer cottage at Bucksport on Penobscot Bay, Me.

A letter from Max **Taylor** stated "I look forward to getting a five-star final every month from you," Sorry Max, we publish only four times a year. Bob **Pierce** reports that being afflicted with emphysema prevents him from getting too far from a hospital and the source of oxygen. Bob says he is holding his own, but he cannot get too far from the Wm Beaumont General Hospital.

News about the **Lawtons** on their trip around the world is that Bill contracted hepatitis and spent some time in a hospital in Thailand. I hope Rowdy will give us a complete report of his trip upon his return home which I understand will be sometime in June. Sully **Sullivan** suggests that the next Class reunion be held in his neck of the woods, San Diego, Calif. It's an idea, Sully.

A lot of us would make good members of the local Chambers of Commerce. Bob **Douglass** boasts Ark., I like Fla., and Jim **Mudgett** writes that Texas has many more advantages particularly since no Texas bound plane has yet been hy-jacked. You got something there Jim. As a racing official, the tracks contributed to his support; but now that he is no longer employed by the track, he is now contributing to the support of the tracks. But the ponies are not his only pastime; there is cribbage with Bob and Burt **Pierce**, the dog races, poker, golf, all of which are played with a little inducement on the side. He admits that if he were asked to describe his activities, he would have to admit he is a gambler, but a poor one, because at West Point under P. Echols he never did understand probability and chance. Jim one of these days I'll write you about an infallible system to beat the roulette wheel.

It should have been mentioned above that we will have at least one attending our 50th anniversary of graduation and that one is Bev **Kane**. Bev has a grandson in the Corps, and he will graduate in 72. Now if Eddie **Clark** would make a special effort to plan to attend, we would have two. How about it Eddie?

Letters from **McLallen** and **McClenaghan** were returned. If either of you reads this column please send me your correct address.

As a result of Johnnie's and Granger's letters and my memo of 4 Feb, 40 replies were received from classmates and widows of classmates. This is not a bad batting average, but we can do better. I'd walk a mile for some news. You other guys start writin'.

1923: At Tampa Founders Day Dinner. Left to right: Chambers, Fran Love, Gil Hayden, Mrs. Hayden, Harrison, Gettys, Karla Harrison, Lela Gettys, Hall R. H., Molly Chambers, Mrs. Hall, Ruth Johnson, Johnson W. G., Betty Grove, Grove, Sally O'Shea, Evans R. B.

'23

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Annual Meeting report shows that the Class Fund spent $268.00, took in $49.00 during 1968, and wound up with a balance of $1,767.00 in the till. According to the Forstall **Adams** abacus, the fund should last us 8 years 15 days and 11 hours. Since you know what we spend most of our money on, it is obvious where you need to be cautious.

The report of the nominating committee was a bit more questionable. However, the 14 locals and Ken Sweany present for the meeting adopted it, and for the next year you are saddled with **Kehm**, Chairman and **Phillips**, Secretary. **Adams** will continue as Treasurer and I as Scribe. The group thanked **Roper** and **Shafer** for their service over the last two years. We who are new on the job ask you for your continuing support and ideas on Class matters.

Founders Day was celebrated at San Diego, Calif., by **Fowler, Dunne, Short, Stone, Rosenberg** and their wives, making the '23 contingent the largest in the total of 87 present. The "Supe" was the guest speaker. A highlight of the evening was piano renditions of his recently completed marches; "Spirit of West Point" and "Flying Falcons" by "Fritz" Mayer our "Glory to God" Cadet Chapel Organist. Deke **Stone** was elected President of the San Diego West Point Society for next year. The '23 bunch sent in an autographed table mat with a facsimile of the law establishing the Academy. Despite the fact that some guy left a few stains on it, I treasure it as a keepsake.

We were represented by Mike **Buckley**, John **Pitzer** at the Ft. Ord celebration. Mike showed his stamina by also making the one at San Francisco along with **Binns**, Casade, **Enderton, Garrecht, Garley, Pierce, Price, Palmer**, G. H., **Rutte, Ridings** and **Stewart**, O. C. Since the "Supe" spoke at both Ord and San Francisco, **Buckley** has the talk pretty well specked according to **Palmer** and **Harmony** both of whom reported on the event. The '23 dolls played bridge at Virginia **Post's** apartment while the guys dined. It appears that Shim and Kay **Reid** were our lone representatives at the Santa Barbara dinner.

At Tampa John **Chambers** and R. B. **Evans** are regional vice presidents of the West Point Society, and **Gettys** was Chairman of the Arrangement Committee for the dinner. The picture shows who was there. The Wendell **Johnsons** attended because they were snowbirding in Florida at the time. At Philadelphia we were represented by the **Dwyers** (both senior and junior) their wives, and Harry **Scheetz**. **Dwyer** gave the toast to the President. Here in Washington our numbers were reduced because several of the group were on trips and two, **Osborne** and Joe **Smith** were in the hospital. Present were; **Biddle, Carnes, Fry, Guevara, Gunn, Kehm, Shafer,** and **Timberman**. The cadet First Captain was able to convince us that "the Corps has not."

Taps. In the last issue I noted that Janet and Woppy **White** were planning to attend the 47½. As I write these notes, Woppy is being buried at West Point. He died on 19 Mar. Though he was one of the older turnbacks to our Class, he loved West Point enough to elect to stay four years instead of three, and served the Academy well. A sad day also when P. D. **Weikert** stopped over in Washington on his way home from his mother's funeral. She died on 14 Mar after reaching the age of 99 in Jan. All who knew her agree that she was a charming, alert and witty lady. Our sympathy, P. D. and Mary.

Artists. Most of you will recall that among our better known artists when we were cadets were Pinky **Dorn**, Rex **Chandler**, and Larry **Barroll** with an occasional contribution from **Holland, Conner** and others. From time to time I hear of wives of classmates who are accomplished in this field. The latest to come to notice is Mrs. W. R. **Winslow** (Marcella Comes). In an article in the Washington STAR on 23 Mar she is shown with a portrait of Alice Roosevelt Longworth. The article says she spent a year on the portrait and a lifetime working up to it. Marcella has a studio in Georgetown and among others has painted Ezra Pound, Robert Frost, and Katherine Porter. Her son, who is a city

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planner in New Haven, is also an artist. Her daughter is teaching Italian at Catholic University. Marcella is to be the next president of the local Artists' Equity. Marcella assisted Peter Hurd when he did an earlier portrait of Mrs. Longworth. Some of you may recall that Peter Hurd was on the art staff of our HOWITZER, and I'm sure you will recall that he had a difficulty with President Johnson about a portrait! I'm sure there are some of us "doing" art in our senior citizen days. **Holland** was doing so, and Larry **Barroll** is busy at it now. So am I, but I'm still learning how to draw. Any others?

Trippers Tales. On a trip to Colorado, **Biddle** got in touch with Rosy **Wolf** and found him unoccupied except for being County Treasurer, keeping his finger in his insurance business, "President of the Board" of the local fire department, heading a volunteer 11-piece orchestra and helping Cynthia run the farm where they are living! **Biddle** also learned that **Woodruff** was in Fitzsimons Hospital with complications with emphysema.

The **Salsmans** are on an extended trip in the Pacific with stops including Bora Bora, New Zealand, Australia, Noumea, Rabaul, Guam, Philippines, Hong Kong (side trip to Bangkok), Taiwan, Japan, and Hawaii. They met **Wong** in Hong Kong, and we may hear of other contacts when they get back. John's lament; " . . . the Orient is a closed book—the charm of native attire—gone. New smells—gas and oil fumes. But shopping excellent."

Emily **Leaf** en route to visit her son and his family in Hawaii, was joined by her daughter at Los Angeles. She arrived there in the heavy rains and described them as unbelievable. Elizabeth and Pinky **Palmer** spent a few days here in Washington in Mid-Mar visiting friends and relatives prior to going to see their son who is in business in Geneva. I have combined some of their reports on the West Coast folk with notes from **Harmony** elsewhere in this column.

The price of national policy. A national atmosphere that seems to discount the need for military support of our international programs, must seem very high to families who lose sons in battle. On 2 Mar the Walter **Tullys** became the third or our Class families to bear that awesome burden when their son, Walter, died from wounds during his second tour in Vietnam. He was buried at West Point on 12 Mar. I'm sure the deepest sympathy of all of you goes to Bruce and Marie in these sad days.

Far West findings by **Harmony** with an assist from **Palmer** as noted include the welcome news that Virginia **Post** is full of spunk in overcoming the problems following a broken hip. From a meeting in the Presidio PX, Jazz learned that **Mergens'** home is not far from the Hunter Liggett Military Reservation. He confirmed the addresses for the **Pierces** and the **Gurleys** shown in the last ASSEMBLY. The advent of spring seemed to stir the golf sap in the old squirrels for Jazz spoke of past and pending matches involving **Buckley, Binns,** Casade and O. C. **Stewart** as well as a trip to route out John **Pitzer.** He also reports that **Enderton** who has been working on family history for a long time, is now making his main effort on the Bronson side. Speaking of books, he notes that **Price** has come out with a new one; "Strange Gateways." As I get it, it is a compilation of the best of Trooper's earlier products.

Shim **Reid** says he is fighting a holding action with the dentists who tell him he ought to have some of his remaining choppers thrown in the ash can. He also reports that their son, Jim, is due back from a tour of duty with Special Forces in Vietnam about 30 Jun. Their daughter, Peggy, (Mrs. R. E. Mays) is now in Darien, Conn., where her husband is with Standard Oil of N. J.

In a sort of a **Cothran** to **Kehm** to **Maddocks** to **Cothran** play, Tom **Maddocks** located **Catlett's** widow, Catherine, now living in Glouchester, Va., and has a daughter who is married to a doctor. In his notes thanking Tom and me for the information, **Cothran** noted that he gets to Columbia, S. C., from time to time where he sees Opie **Newman** and George **Howell.** He spends his summers at Cedar Mt., N. C., where he grows the best available groceries in his own garden. He says he'll be at the 50th, "God willin' and the creek don't rise." In the course of this correspondence **Maddocks** described a really tough "Time of Troubles" that he, Marguerite and even the family pooch had encountered in the last few months.

Dorothy **Ellerthorpe** tells us that her second son, Don, has returned from a second tour in Vietnam and is now at Ft. Riley with his wife and their two children. He had a 1st Cav Helicopter Co in the A Shaw Valley operations and has been awarded a fistfull of decorations. The older son, Vernon, has just been made a Vice-president in Eastman Dillon in New York. One of his daughters is a sophomore in the U. of Colo.

Pa. Patter from **Scheetz** shows that he and **Dwyer** are contemplating coming to the April Class luncheon via the new Metro liner and possibly for the Co-ed party scheduled for 14 May. The Bruce **Kings** are also likely candidates for the latter. A letter to **Scheetz** from **Roth** says his recovery from the injuries from last Oct's fall is slow and steady. The **Roths** are spending the winter on Marco Island. The new Roth Cadillac stand in Erie, Pa., became operational in Feb. The formal opening will be later. However, you needn't wait. Just step right up and get yourself a Caddy or two whenever the spirit moves you. **Tredennick** told Harry he plans now to retire from teaching at the end of June. Phil **Sears** is feeling better after a series of tests in the hospital in Mar.

A new challenge from **Leone.** He believes he will be the first in our Class to have a grandson graduate when Cadet J. P. Staples joins the Long Gray Line this June. Any takers?

Thanks to all of you who took the time to see that we had something for these notes. To paraphrase a well known commercial; "You other Guys Start Writing."

'24

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It is with the deepest regret that we report the deaths of three of our classmates and two of our Class ladies:

Col. George P. **O'Neill** died suddenly of a heart attack at Walson Army Hospital, Fort Dix, N.J., on 22 Dec 68. Burial with full military honors was in the USMA Cemetery, where Emil **Pasolli** and Denis **Mulligan** represented the Class.

Mrs. Earl **Mattice** (Inez) died at her home in Arlington, Va., on 23 Dec 68. Funeral services were held at the Ft. Myer Chapel and interment was in Arlington National Cemetery.

Maj. Gen. George W. **Smythe** died sudrenly of a heart attack at the Ft. Myer Post Clinic on 17 Jan 69. Funeral services were held at the Ft. Myer Chapel and burial with full military honors was in Arlington. Ten of George's classmates were honorary pall bearers. Susie wishes to thank especially their many friends for their condolences and expressions of sympathy.

Mrs. Kenneth N. **Decker** died of cancer in a hospital in Tacoma on 4 Feb 69. Graveside services were held on 7 Feb at West Point, where Pat **Pasolli,** Sully **Sullivan,** and Peyton **McLamb** represented the Class.

Col. Thomas A. **Jennings** died of a stroke at the Brooke General Hospital on 9 Mar. He was buried at Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery with full military honors. Members of the Class were honorary pall bearers. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to the bereaved families.

Jags **Eyerly** retired from teaching at Culver Military Academy in June 66. His principal occupation now is loafing, with a little gardening on the side. Bill (Jug) **Cornog,** who was KIA in France in Aug 44, has recently had a drill field named for him in Germany by the 36th Inf Rgt of the 3d Armd Div. The CO, 1st Bn, 36th Inf, APO N.Y. 09074, requests photos and other material about Bill for their museum.

Windsor and Marie made a three months' visit to San Miguel de Allende, Mex., where they rented an apartment and attended some classes at the Instituto Allende, Pete and Lil **Davies** recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Ruth **Glenn** writes that life in Brooksville, Miss., is uneventful, Foxy's activities being somewhat curtailed by asthma. Their son, an aeronautical engineer with Boeing, and his family live nearby in Huntsville, Ala.

Russell **Moses** is still the Okla. and North Texas representative for Georgeson & Co. He and Janet spend their summers at their cottage on Lake Lydia, near Quitman, Tex.

Bill and Martha **Renn** have sold their house and moved to an apartment, but still have their retreat in the Poconos. Charley **Meehan** is an Associate Professor of math at Grove City College. The Keg **Stebbins** family is widely scattered as usual, but have Patsy and her daughter with them temporarily. Tom **Malin** has moved to Monterey from San Francisco so that he and Gwen can be closer to their daughter and her family.

Bob **Paton** is "marking time" in Cleveland until daughter Patty graduates from St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing.

Eddie and Mary **White** visited West Point last fall for the Duke game. En route Eddie addressed the Defense Supply Ass'n in Chicago on the pertinent subject, "Can We Afford Space Economies?". Pat and Marion **Pasolli,** "Rags" and Mary **Coughlin, Tad** and Margaret **Tasker,** George and Mary **Duerr,** and Gerald **Sullivan** also attended the Duke game. The Sam **Stroheckers** hosted a dinner for Comdr. Roy **Reynolds** and his wife and Deck and Erminie **Reynolds** when the latter visited Seattle to attend the commissioning of Roy's new command, the USS Albert David.

Bill **Williams** is refreshingly optimistic—he sent in a dues check for years in advance. The Jim **Stowells** are about to make their 6th freighter voyage, this one on a Dutch line from Miami to Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Antwerp, London, Bermuda, Nassau, Freeport, and return.

Steve **Koszewski** is completing 14 years with the N.C. Ports Authority. Both sons are in the Artillery.

Frank **Kreidel** says M.E. **Smith** Jr., is the only classmate he has seen in months. The **Kreidels** visited their daughter Sheila and

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family at Leavenworth last fall where her husband, Lt. Col. Calvin Weaver, T.C., (USNA '55) is taking the regular school course. Herb **Vogel** is out of the hospital and back at work. The Dave **Pages'** daughter Courtney led the field in a 40-yard dash restricted to boys and girls under five! Marcus **Stokes** is golfing four times a week but maintains he performs the usual chores of "house husband" the rest of the time.

Many thanks to Nye **Elward** for contributing the Ox-Bow candelabra from his Hobby Shop as a Reunion door prize. Tom and Lucie **Holmes'** Bayou Cook Book is doing well. The **Holmes** and Dan and Margaret **Healy** constitute the entire membership of the La. Thundering Herd. Bob and Mary **Thompson's** son is now a Capt. in the Army Medical Corps, and Bob is still practicing law. Monk and Sue **Mitchell** visited with Karla **Burrill** and Minnie **Ramsey** while in San Antonio helping their daughter, Jane Harris, house-hunt.

Dud **Dudley** is still teaching math at the Sewanee Military Academy. He and Gladys are active in community life. The **Stubblebines'** youngest son, Craig, has returned from a year of Fulbright lectureship at the U. of Milan and is now a professor at Claremont Men's College, Calif. Larry **Adams** is still working part time and trout fishing. Their 14th grandchild, Mark Wendell, was recently born in Bangkok. The Emil **Lenzners** and friends from Tucson had an enjoyable visit and picnic lunch outside George **Lightcap's** apartment in Sun City.

Cary and Mary Margaret **King** are still in Princeton where Cary is a consultant for RCA and the Curator of the David Sarnoff Library. The Herb **Benz**, George **Crosbys**, and Jean **Scott** comprise a '24 nucleus at Bradenton which they would like to expand. Charley and Hazel **Van Way** have moved to a co-op in The Westchester. They now plan to visit their grandson, Craig **Van Way**, in Nashville oftener. The Tad **Taskers** moved to Little Silver, N.J., last Aug. They have a fourth grandchild, Stephen Robern Borden, born in Mar 68.

The Earl **Scotts** have a fifth grandchild, Andrew **Scott**, born 3 Sept 68. Ray **Raymond** is the new president of the North Country District Executive Council of the American Cancer Society. George **Penton** is still battling his illness, plus multiple strokes. They have 18 grandchildren, and more on the way. The George **Milleners** spend several months each year in Fla. and make an annual trip north.

The Alamo Chapter held its annual dinner on 29 Jan. New officers are Bob **Cullen**, president; Howard **Kessinger**, vice-president; **Joe Massaro**, secretary; and Mary **Bicher**, Distaff member. Marcus **Stokes** presented the possibility of an Army Distaff Home in San Antonio. Those attending were the **Boatners, Bradfords, Cullens, Eyerlys**, Chick **Darling, Ives, Jennings, Kessingers, Mahers, Massaros**, Morrows (Navy), **Stokes, Wrockloffs**, and Mmes. Bigelow, **Burrill, de la Rosa, Gibson, Hawkins, Liebel, Ramsey**, and **Wells**. Toots **Darling** has been confined to a Rest Home due to a broken hip, and Cy **Haymes** has been in and out of Brooke with a heart condition.

Sam and Emo **Fisher** made an extended motor tour last fall which included Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., and the western National Parks. Ed **Chazal** is a director of the N. Fla. W.P. Society but complains he and Marjorie haven't seen any classmates for years. The Jerry **Gibbs'** daughter, Susan, is a lt. in the Army Nurse Corps at Ft. Benning.

Bob and Florence **Dewey** have announced the engagement of their daughter, Cici, to Mr. Frank Hughes, who is with IBM at the Goddard Space Agency. The wedding will be on 11 Apr at the Ft. Myer Chapel. Carroll and Dorothy **Griffin** took a trip to Edinburgh last Oct. Their son, Lt. Col. C. R. Jr., USAF (USNA '50) is at Binh Thuy AB, Vietnam.

Pete and Helen **Shumate** visited a number of classmates in Tucson and El Paso early in 68. Six days after their return Helen had a bad fall which broke her left ankle and confined her to a wheel chair for four months. She is still using crutches but progressing favorably. Bob and Madelaine **Miller** drove to the West Coast last May. They had get-togethers with the Benny **Mesicks**, Emil **Lenzners**, Bill **Forbes**, Bill **O'Connor**, and the Ray **Raymonds** at various points. Bob and Oralee **Finlay** have moved from N.J. to Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Charlie **Palmer** is justly proud of Jean's painting. She has sold dozens of water colors, won blue ribbons in two shows, and even rents some to various clients. The Rags **Raguses'** daughter, Carlene Wilhelmina, was married to Mr. Howard Hamilton Symons II on 28 Dec 68 at Grace Episcopal Church, Ocala, Fla.

The Art **Gimms'** son, Art Jr. who was doing so well in the construction business, had a serious accident on the job in early 67, critically injuring his spine and making him a quadriplegic. He is now retired and living at his home near Sacramento. Art Jr. is only 39, married, and the father of 5 youngsters.

The T.H. **Allens** have 24 grandchildren! Charlie **DuVal** is the manager of the Monterey County Symphony Ass'n (Calif.). Charlie and Mair **Stevenson** visited Armand and Marge **Salmon** while in Fla. The **Salmons** are moving into a condominium apartment in Clearwater.

Jake and Winnie **Moon** are active in local horse shows around Hillsborough, N.C., and also give occasional recitals at folk festivals and fund-raising charities. They plan to start a foundation to build an indoor riding hall at West Point.

Clyde and Lorraine **Eddleman** spent three weeks in Europe in Nov. Clyde went over with the former Seventh Army Commanders who were invited by the Mercedes Benz Corp. Lorraine joined him in Heidelberg later where they were guests of Gen. and Mrs. Jimmy Polk, visiting their old quarters where they lived two years when Clyde was CINCUSAEUR. Clyde spoke to groups of graduates in Heidelberg and Frankfurt to bring them up to date on the activities of the Ass'n of Graduates. They went on to Hamburg where UMC Industries has a factory, and then to London for a few days before driving to Banbury to visit the new UMC factory now under construction. Then they flew to Dublin to rejoin Frank (Class of '20) and Anne Farrell for a six-day tour of Ireland. Clyde is Vice President of UMC.

The Founders Day Dinner at the Officers Club at Ft. Myer on 14 Mar was as usual too crowded (especially at the bars), but it is the best local facility available and '24 turned out in pretty good force. The guest of honor and principal speaker was Gen. William C. Westmoreland. Herdsmen present were: **Beurket, Blanchard, Booth, Eddleman, Erskine, Glasgow, Hart, Hinke, Landon, MacCloskey, Palmer, Pope, Trudeau**, and **Vogel**.

'25

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Founders Day Dinner at Ft. Myers saw a completely filled table of '25ers despite the absence of some regulars who were to attend at other places. The programs are better all the time and every bit of this starting with the Kaydet First Captain a max. We were particularly impressed by Gen. Westmoreland's detailed coverage of VN.

Don **Bailey** not only up and around after a scare at Walter Reed but actually back at work, however, Harry **Crandall** entered WR a few days ago but is hopeful of a very short tour there.

Claude **Black** failed to show—suppose he is away again on his Wilderness Conservation Chairman duties. The **Van Brunts** set for a trip to England where they are planning a complete family reunion at the home of daughter in London. Bill **Ritchie** just returned from England where he visits in connection with VP duties of the English Speaking Union. At the moment Peggy and Bill **Nutter** spending a week or more in Puerto Rico. Pearré **Cabell** was to attend Founders Dinner in California with John **Davis**.

The **Clelands** were here for our regular monthly Feb luncheon which was quite a gala affair as we had the ladies with us for once. It turned out as a memorable day for your scribe as the Class presented us with a super-dooper movie projector which handles both 8mm and super 8. To our delight our films in storage (taken in the early 30's) show up beautifully and recent color—out of this world. This gift will be treasured always.

Happy to report that Pat **Finn** was a luncheon guest and seems to be recovering well from her serious illness which kept Russ here for several weeks. Benny **Bennett** the first to report re his wishes on our 45th Reunion which is rapidly entering the advanced planning phase. The **Bennetts** have three daughters in school, and Benny seems to do a bit of correspondence as he reports having heard from **Birds, Cabells, Clarks, Grubbs, Holmes** and Emma **Quekemeyer** since our last notes.

Mary Lou and Mac **McManus** left on 19 Jan for their extended motor trip to both the South East and Southwest (including Mex.). About half way on their 23 Feb letter having gone by way of Charleston, S.C., all the way to Key West, Fla. Then the southern coast along the Gulf of Mex. all the way to Yucatan—4000 miles on a route only 400-500 as the crow flies—but interesting. They are interested in archeology and visited Chicken-Itzo, Uxmal, and Palenque studying the ruins of the Olmes, Mayans, Toltecs and Aztecs.

As of 13 Mar cards from both Mac's and the **Tulleys** indicated a surprise reunion in Mexico City with Mary Lou and Mac (with fellow traveler Mrs. Stephens), meeting Alice and Dave **Tulley** and Louise and Carl **Meyer** (the latter four-some scheduled to meet there, the **Meyers** having spend sometime in Yucatan). The **Macs** party now on the way home, while the other four will tour the interior and west coast for a month.

Willie **Hodge** was married to Dr. Avery Drake on 12 Oct with both daughter Judy and son Herby in attendance. This merger a natural as they were friends for over 30 years. Herby now working for his doctorate at Arizona State U. Willie and Avery invite travelling classmates to drop in at their Rolla, Mo., home.

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Harry **Crandall** reported that daughter Nancy and children (aged 13 and 15) located in far northern Mich. (Sawyer AFB)—three hours from Green Bay and 55 inches of snow at their front window! Husband in Guam. Their total snow fall to date 109 inches. Since this news from Harry he has broken into Walter Reed and has had an eye operation (cataract) and feels the operation a success—expects to be home in a few days. In the meantime Betsey commutes from Alexandria thus keeping up his ever high morale.

Don **Mitchell** was at West Point the middle of Jan and, as usual, went into the library to admire our Globe. He noted it wasn't rotating quite as smoothly as it should, made a report of same, and thus initiated corrective action. Don is now on the New York State payroll as an "appraiser and consultant" negotiating loans (office space, garages, etc.). Both Pat and Don in good health, son Bruce with McDonnell Corp. in St. Charles, Mo., and Son Roger still in this area with a Montgomery City builder as construction foreman.

Johnie **Haskell** telephoned **Hopkins** while passing through D. C. Seems Paulette and Johnie en route to Fla. for a visit then a lecture tour all over the US, subject "France and DeGaulle." Bruce **Clarke** enjoyed a luncheon in his honor given by the Pennsylvania Military College. The PMA's are offering a four-year course to fit young men for careers as Army Officers. They also have had a study made by the Franklin Institute re "Career Motivation" which Bruce is circulating. Marcel **Crombez** checks in from time to time—usually with reference to some big race he is attending. He was here sometime ago as his pictures appeared with the NAUS.

Bennie **Fowlkes** has been over from Salisbury, Md., a few times on business. Any of you planning distance travelling this summer might get good advise from our widely travelled classmates, i.e., the **Clelands, Gillmores, McManuses, Jones,** etc. Walter **Bryte** covered quite a bit of the Game Country in Africa, and Marie Dunn saw quite a bit of central Alaska while visiting son, Russ, there.

Sorry we have not rec'd an account of the **Gardners** and their mobile home. Again remind you to get your biographical data on file at West Point and fill out those 45th Reunion preference cards without delay.

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As I indicated in the Winter 69 notes (which have been in our hands for about a week now as this is being written—23 Jan), this issue will concentrate on the west and southwest areas, which were skipped in Jan because of the volume of news from our other areas.

Spud **Murphy's** report is quite complete as usual. It seems the **Bradys** had a gay and hectic visit in the Los Angeles area during the Xmas holidays—further details not furnished. However, knowing Brook and Margie and their flair for the unusual, I'll bet it is worth chronicling—if we can ever get the whole story straight! The Van **Syckles** are now installed in their new home in the retirement community of Rossmore, over in the hills east of Berkeley—address is 1301 Canyon Wood Court, Walnut Creek, Calif. 94529. As I recall, Van retired from business in Los Angeles not too long ago, and so far as I know, he and Ann keep busy with many interests of the community, including lots of golf. Incidentally, the Rossmore retirement communities seem to be growing all the time and are very beautiful. We have driven around the one in New Jersey (Exit 7, N.J. Turnpike), and it is most impressive. There is another in the Washington, D.C., area which was described to us by a retired West Pointer tenant in very glowing terms—complete with Golf Course, Club House etc. Seems to be the coming thing.

The **Kirchhoffs** have just finished a 2-bedroom addition to their house in Tiburan, and Aline's mother has now arrived from N.C. to occupy one of them. Unfortunately, soon after her arrival she fell and broke her hip, but glad to report she is now out of the hospital and doing nicely. Spud talked to Hal **Brusher** on the phone, and he sounded very energetic and full of beans, but said he does have to take things easy. All of their brood are through school except the two youngest, who are still in college in the Bay Area. As for the **Murphys** themselves, they spent the Xmas holidays with their daughter Ann Simmons, her husband Dick and their three children in Fair Oaks, near Sacramento. Their son Jerry had sent a tape recorder with a tape made by them and their four children, which was much enjoyed, as well as taping back an answer with all the Simmons.

The Founders Day Dinner, just over, in the Bay area was unusually good this year, with over 200 in attendance, including **Sewall, Hawthorne, Kaylor, Nourse, Brady** and **Murphy**. The new Supe, Gen. Koster was the guest speaker and gave a fine run-down of the big building expansion going on at Woo-Poo. Up Portland way, the **Matthiases** have moved into a new home at 4430 SW Council Crest Dr., 97201. Eddie **Watson** says this past winter was the worst one ever—they were marooned in their house for four days because of the deep snow.

From Coeur d'Alene, Ida. there is a bit of news from Kay and Johnnie **McFarland,** who spent the Xmas holidays with son Tony and family in Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Tony is now a Maj. Son Jim and wife from Beaumont, Tex., were also there—the first time the whole family has been united since the boys have been on their own. Mac retired recently from his full time teaching job upon reaching the ancient age of 65, but continues part time. Down Los Angeles way, Grizz and Betty **Grizzard** have had a busy year since he also retired from teaching. In addition to a lot of travelling, Grizz has been on the Los Angeles County Grand Jury, a most interesting experience, since it included the Sirhan Sirhan indictment! I guess the trip into the city and back each day from Claremont was a trying experience—and they are both glad that is over.

Ken **McNaughton's** report from the Monterey Area is interesting and worth the full quote: "I went to the Founders Day Dinner last nite and saw Paul **Black** and Paul **Hamilton**. The **Blacks** took a two-month trip Down Under last fall, and had a number of interesting experiences, one of which is specially worth recounting. On the way back on the SS **Mariposa,** and a couple of days out of Honolulu, about 10:30 PM while getting ready for bed, the overhead hot-water and steam pipes in their cabin burst, sending torrents of steaming hot water into their cabin, up to six inches in fact! Paul was in a real predicament, as the visibility was so low he couldn't quickly find the telephone or his clothes, or maneuver around to the door without being scalded. Finally, from his bunk where he was stranded, he managed to get to the phone and call for help. But even after he got the operator, he had great difficulty convincing her of the gravity of his situation. He eventually got the Captain on the phone, and emergency help finally arrived." Continuing, "Paul **Hamilton** was in the hospital over Xmas undergoing the same type of surgery Gen. Ike just had. He has recovered nicely and looks fine. As for the **McNaughtons,** Beth and I have been living a rather quiet existence for us since returning from Europe last fall. When it rained too hard here in Carmel for golf, we took off for Palm Springs and enjoyed the sunshine there. We have plans in the mill for a trip to Ireland and Scotland this fall. Beth will join a painting group in Ireland while I explore the countryside, after which we will both fly to Scotland and join our son and family for a holiday there." (Ed Note: What's this I hear about your golf handicap going UP! Wish mine were going the other way—it's 27—but maybe I'm just too old for that. Somehow, I seem to be hitting better shots, but the scores remain the same!)

A quick note about Red **Corderman**—he had a bout of major surgery in Dec in the Valley Forge General Hosp., and was released on 3 Feb for convalescence in Little Silver. Had a short letter and a postal card from Red and Virginia—they are at this writing on a three-week cruise in the West Indies aboard the SS **Bergensfjord** and return on 2 Apr. Red says he has regained most of his weight and strength and doing most everything he normally has done. Good work!

As a follow-up of an item in the Winter issue just received, I have—courtesy of Fred **Munson**—an imposing letterhead at my side as follows: "Nebraska State Legislature. Unicameral. Senator Theodore C. **Wenzlaff,** Dist. 32, Sutton, Neb, 68979. Committees—Education; Salaries and Claims; Legislative Council. 80th Session." A quick quote is as follows: "It is interesting work and the pace is fast. Daily sessions are from 9 AM to Noon; with the afternoons from 2 PM-5 PM for committee meetings. A daily cocktail party (thanks to the lobbyists) and frequent banquets fill up the already busy schedule." Ted says his golf game has already suffered, but he'll be back on the links as soon as the weather and the schedule permit! By the way, on that grandchildren derby which Ted started with his 7, so far I have **Corderman** leading with 11, **deShazo** next with 9, and the **Murphys** also with 7. Let's have some more reports from all concerned. Connie and I have 10 between us, 5 on each side, but that's hardly fair!

Have had notes from both Marge and John **Roosma**—faithful correspondents that they are. It seems that Johnnie just completed a tour of duty as foreman of the Grand Jury in northern N.J. and found it most interesting and rewarding. After he established a few rules of conduct he says, "We had a happy, disciplined and prompt jury that enjoyed serving under Army conditions." Marge says they are visiting the Virgin Islands about now, and that they expect to be in Sarasota and Naples in late Apr. Connie and I are looking forward to seeing them here then.

Ralph **Osborne** was skimpier than usual in his report from the Tex. area. He did give me a few gleanings from Xmas cards, not all in his area. Skeet and Rozee **Van Meter** have apparently decided to leave Amarillo, with the closing of the Air Base there, and move to an apartment in Marietta, Ohio, which is a tidy hop, skip and jump away. Maybe they will check in with me or someone when they are settled there. From Columbia S.C., Betty **Bowen** reported that Bill is busy as a bee in the Planned Parenthood Movement (watch

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it, Bill!) and finds it necessary to be in Miami Beach about Xmas time for something or other. Sounds like pretty good Planning! Ralph also says he has lost track of Frank **Miter** since he moved from El Paso over into Ariz. some place—how about a report, Frank? And finally, he forgot to give Egon **Tausch's** new wife's name—it is Nancy, and she is charming.

I notice the next issue of ASSEMBLY notes has a deadline of 16 June, and by that time, Connie and I will have returned to Villanova, Pa., for the "other" season. We are currently planning our return in early May. It has not been one of the better seasons here in Fla. this year, weatherwise, but spring has finally arrived, and things are bursting out all over now. I guess we can't complain, from what we heard and read from all over the U.S. this winter—where was it really good!

A quick report on the 15 Mar. Founders Day Dinner in Tampa, Fla., is in order—sponsored by the West Point Society, Fla. West Coast. It was held for the second year in a row in the beautiful U. Club, on the top floor of the tallest building in Tampa. The speaker for the occasion was Albert C. Wedemeyer '19, and a very good speech it was. By courtesy of 1st V/P Bill **Deyo**, who sat at the head table, '26 had a special table for six occupied by Bill and Wilma **Laidlaw**, Maurice and Ruth **Condon**, and Connie and Ank **Ankenbrandt**. It was a fine evening and reunion, with over 200 people present—with the ladies joining in for the first time! The **Laidlaws** came down from Oklawaha (near Orlando) and the **Ankenbrants** up from Naples to be house guests of the **Condons** in their lovely home in Bel Air, Clearwater, and it was a special treat for the six of us to get to know each other better under such ideal conditions. For one reason or another, Bill and Ev **House** (Largo) and Hazel **Toftoy** (Treasure Island) were unable to attend.

In closing, I must comment on the recent issues of ASSEMBLY, which are full of most interesting material. The last one "Winter 1969" is outstanding I think, and in case any of you missed it, our own Red **Reeder** is featured in 3 articles, on pages 15, 16, 17, 26, 27, 37 and 38. Don't miss them! By the way, a letter from President **Sims** is expected and may be imminent—one item of which will invite suggestions on how to get some news from the 40% of the Class who are never covered, all of the news coming from the other 60%, and really only about half of that! Any ideas? All for now.

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Founders Day has come again, the 167th. As of deadline, only a report of the one at Ft. Sam Houston had been received, that from our dependable correspondent Mike **Williams**, although a plaguey virus kept him away. Present from '27 were Von **Kaylor**, Fred **Kunesh**, Jack **Griffith**, Al **Lepping**, and Chris **Nelson**. Unable to make it, along with Mike, were Carl **Graybeal** and Cy **Williams**. Gen. Jannarone, Dean of the Academic Board, was the speaker for "a good turnout."

Back eastward, the dinner for the D.C. Society was again at Ft. Myer's Patton Hall, packed with assorted grads as usual. The usual inspiring program was presented, highlighted by the superb voices of the U.S. Army Chorus and the sharp color guard from the 3d Inf. Regt. The principal speaker was the Army Chief of Staff Gen. Westmoreland, '36, who gave a detailed informative summation of the varied problems of Vietnam. The cadet speaker was the First Captain Robert H. Baldwin Jr., who gave a superior accounting for the Corps and its progress. Harlan L. Mumma, '16, received the Benjamin F. Castle Memorial Award for his meritorious service to the Academy. The invocation was given by the Very Rev. Mariner T. **Smith**, ex-'27. Other DC. area representatives for '27 were: **Brown, Bixel, Burgess, Collins, Holtzworth, Lillard, Lowe, Miller, Ostenberg, Pence, Sterling,** and **Zwicker**. Then, as an especial guest and député extraordinaire was Dutch **Holland**, all the way from Los Angeles, here combining pleasure with business. All in all, it was a fine evening!

From the Bernie **Roses**, Mystic, Conn., came exultant shouts over becoming grandparents. Daughter Jackie, Mrs. James M. Bailey Jr., presented the new granddaughter, Elisé Désirée Bailey, on 8 Jan, at Chapel Hill, N.C. Congratulations all around!

Chuck **Stone**, of L.A., Calif., responded to pleas for traveling reports with one on an obviously fine trip to Taiwan last Aug to the annual meeting of the 14th AF Assn. The journey included Seattle, Japan, Taipeh, Hong Kong, and Honolulu. Chuck had commanded this "China outfit for a very few months in 1945 following Chennault's retirement." Chuck further reported, "There were 120 Tigers making the trip, including camp followers. Ama, daughter Claudia, and Ama's sister Yndia were my teepee mates." He found the "Rep. of China high on morale and the military most impressive." Chuck is still with Abex, and reported son Major Chico as "instructing at the Academy." He closed on a fine, far-sighted note, admitting to his counting on being present for the 45th Reunion! Let's all get thinking about that!

Another fine little travel note was received from our Betty **Lovell**, off to Rhodesia on a really interesting safari, as it read. She commented, "We are seeing all kinds of wild game, close enough to almost touch, but too dangerous for us to get out of our jeep." And she was then heading on to picturesque Victoria Falls, and probably to other exotic spots before that return to Arlington, Va.

As a sequel to the previous mention of the status of missing in action for Capt. Samuel M. **Deichelmann**, USAF, information of class interest has been received concerning a dedication of a new U.S. flag for the Chapel of St. Dunstan of Canterbury, Auburn U., Auburn, Ala., on 12 Jan. The Rev. Carl E. Jones, chaplain of that student chapel, stated that the dedicated flag was donated by our W. W. **Whelchel** in honor of Capt. **Deichelmann**, who had attended Auburn, although subsequently he was graduated in 1961 from the U. of Hawaii, Cum Laude and Distinguished Military Graduate. The chaplain was most complimentary of the Puss **Whelchels** as communicants of the chapel, citing both for contributing "a great deal of themselves to the students here on our sprawling campus." He then concluded with a memorable sentence in which all may share: "Knowing them, and meeting General and Mrs. **Deichelmann**, has given me a deeper belief in the products of our Military Academy and what they do for our country."

Now, as this column is closed, it is again necessary to announce two more losses from our ranks: the deaths of George F. **Peirce** and of Orrin L. **Grover**, on 8 and 13 Jan, respectively. Cy **Peirce**, after suffering a heart attack, died at Letterman General Hospital. The funeral service at the Presidio of San Francisco was conducted by Colonel Bartholomew, an old chaplain friend of Cy's. Honorary pallbearers from the Class were **Berrigan, Davidson, Hocker, Parsell,** and **Roth**. Inurnment was at Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno. The condolence of the Class is extendéd to Jane and to son George, 1372 32d Ave., San Francisco, and to the surviving brother Lawrence, of Tuscaloosa, Ala. Details of the death of Orrin **Grover**, Melbourne Beach, Fla., were not available at deadline.

Plan for a good summer and try to get some clear pictures to accompany the brief report that you should get to me sometime in June.

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The sympathy of the Class is extended to Elizabeth **Anderson** and her son and daughter on the death of Fred, who joined the Long Gray Line on 3 Mar 69, in California and was buried in Arlington on 6 Mar. The local classmates turned out for the services. The following served as Honorary pall bearers: Bob **Tate**, George **Mundy**, San **Anderson** (from Calif.), Hank **Everest** (from S.C.), and Rosy **O'Donnell**.

Skip **Seeman** reports that he and Marge are about to take a European trip from 1 Apr to 1 June. This will be Marge's first visit to Europe and they are looking forward to it with great anticipation. Skip also reports that news from Disneyland East at Orlando, Fla., has Joe **Potter**, Walt Disney Company's manager there, dealing with construction in time for '71 opening. Bob and Eleanor **Fleming** came thru Washington in Feb en route on a P.C.S. (ret) to Calif. from New England. Bob had already "ferried" his boat out there in Jan.

Bill and Myrtle **Billingsley** took off from their home in Va. late in Jan for a motor trip to the West Coast. En route Bill attended a number of National Sojourner meetings and had hoped to see many of our classmates. The weather, however, especially in Calif., was not conductive to visiting. At Lawton, they had a nice visit with Catherine and Tom **Counihan**. Tom keeps busy on the Ft. Sill golf course with Dutch **Holley**, while Catherine takes care of her riding class. Didn't get to see Dutch, but talked to Constance who reported both well. Stopped by en route from Ft. Sill to Ft. Sam Houston to see Parson and Anita **Howard** at their ranch near Wilson, Okla. Unfortunately, both were recovering from a severe case of the "flu" so the visit was of short duration. They both seem to enjoy their life, Parson is Master of his Masonic Lodge, and Anita is active in the Eastern Star. The highlight of the trip was the most delightful cocktail party given them by the San Antonio group. Present were George **Baker**, George **Cole**, Elmer and Betty **Gude**, Skippy and Steve **Harbold**, Howard and Margaret **Hasting**, Harry and **Estelle Kirby**, George **Willette**, Harry and Pauline **Weiner**, Francis **Travis** and Roy **Cuneo** and wife. It was a real pleasure to spend an evening with such a fine representation of the Class. During the party, Louis Hammack stopped in for a few moments. Everyone looked exceedingly healthy and seemed to be getting

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the most out of life in San Antonio. After arriving in Calif., they had expected to get in touch with a number of the Class, but it rained steadily for the first seven days they were there, and the remaining three days of their stay was used in getting dried out. Forrest and Patti **Allen** attended a cocktail party given by Bill's daughter in Santa Ana, and they did visit Bill and Jeanette **Maerdian** in Santa Barbara. Forrest is still working for North American Rockwell, and Bill is busy filling sand bags as part of his personal flood control project. Having heard shortly after they left Va. that their home had been broken into and ransacked, the **Billingsleys** returned home to find that they had really been taken. All the Sterling flat and hollow ware, two coin collections and about twenty pieces of old jewelry had been taken. It was a real professional job and occurred the day after we left. The police have no leads and little hope of coming up with any.

An acute infection prevented **Billingsley** from attending the '69 Founders Day dinner on 14 Mar at Ft. Myer, Skip **Seeman** reports the following in attendance: Paul **Breden**, Ralph **Butchers**, Maury **Cralle**, Paul **Gavan**, Monty **Raymond**, Skip **Seeman**, Ned **Sirmyer**, Jim **Totten** and Mercer **Walter**. Dick **Smith** and George **Mundy** were out of town.

Harry **Weiner** reports that the following attended Founders Day dinner 14 Mar at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.: George **Baker**, George **Cole**, Elmer **Gude**, Skippy **Harbold**, George **Willette**, and Harry **Weiner**.

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First, The Founders Day dinner wrap-up. Here in D.C.—the largest gathering in the world, I suppose—the assemblage really bulged the walls of Patton Hall, Ft. Myer. For a variety of reasons, we had a small representation, with many fall-outs at the last minute. Some of the crude characters who did attend said that, while they missed the absentees, at least they had enough elbow room to cut their meat this year. Which leads to the proposition that the W.P. Soc. of D.C. may have to adopt a policy of permitting members, or classes, to attend on alternate years only. Our intake exceeds our output.

It was a fine meeting, with an informative principal speech by Westmoreland '36, on Vietnam and a splendid talk on The Corps Today by the First Captain, Baldwin R. H. '69, who showed off, for the first time in this area, the new Brigade Commander chevrons. (A star has been added below the six chevrons to distinguish him from the other six-chevron types.) Awards to outstanding young men for scholastic and athletic excellence were handled with grace and dispatch by Waters J.K. '31, and the Army Chorus sang all the nostalgic Army songs. Present: Dave **Buchanan**, Stan **Jones**, Abe **Lincoln**, Jupe **Lindsey**, Bozo **McKee**, and Dick **Wentworth**. Last minute fall-outs: Tom **Hammond**, Slim **Vittrup**, **Thompsons** M.R. and W.J. (all with minor illnesses) and Nick **Nichols** and Freddy **Smith** (business trips).

Crossing the continent to Monterey and Dutch **Kraus**, we find the local society electing Bat **Carns** as incoming president. Congratulations to Bat and to the society. (Bat and Jan **Carns** have three children stationed on the West Coast and the fourth is soon to arrive there.) The principal speaker, the Supe, Koster '42, gave a fine talk—in spite of having been given a golf lesson (not inexpensive, according to **Kraus**) by Bat **Carns** the

1929: Lincoln is sworn in as Director, OEP, while President Nixon looks on and Freddie Lincoln holds the Bible.

afternoon of the dinner. Bill **Francis** and Charlie **Rau** completed the Class attendees. **Francis**, a new addition to Monterey, is working for the State of Calif. and has his youngest attending San Diego State. Charlie and Gladys **Rau** were about to visit a son who is a math consultant for N. A. Avn on the West Coast.

Dutch **Kraus** is teaching algebra and mech drawing at a private school for boys located one mile from his home. He has a stiff schedule—10 AM to 3:40 PM with nearly three hours off for lunch. But Dutch says inflation has him by the throat, and he'll have to add more teaching each year just to stay in place. Expects to teach full-time by age 70—or maybe it's the year '70.

Moving southeast to Texas, we learn from Lou **Hammack** that the affair at the Ft. Sam Club was one of the finest ever, with a splendid speech by the Dean, Jannarone '38, exceptional singing of W.P. songs by the Fourth Army Chorus, and a masterful performance by the perennial toastmaster, our own Billy **Greear**, whose repertoire of stories accomplishes the difficult by getting better every year. Other attendees: Roy **Cuno**, Tiny **Jark**, Lefty **Mace**, Don **Poorman**, and Bill **Vestal**. Lou says his investment business keeps him from golf except on occasional weekends, and he continues to search out potential material for W.P. entry—at which he's most successful, I hear from other sources.

From Florida, Tommie **DuBose** reports that he, Bob **Cook**, and Tom **McDonald** represented the Class at the dinner at the Naval Tng Ctr (formerly AFB) in Orlando, and that Ross M.C. '49, from the Tac Dept gave a fine talk on W.P. Today. They had the ladies in attendance, an innovation that pleased all. **DuBose** has been elected to head the Orange County United Appeal and faces the task of raising more than a million dollars for the coming year. An old hand at this sort of thing, Tommie will no doubt easily exceed the quota.

Sadly, we have three losses to record. Charles Freeman **Kearney** died at Letterman on 17 Feb 69, after a long and gallant fight against cancer. Funeral services were held for Doc at the Presidio Chapel with the following in attendance: Larry and Mershon **Brownlee**, George **Carey**, Bat and Jan **Carns** from Monterey; George **Coolidge**, Chick and Polly **Cooper**, Cout and Mary Jane **Coutlee**, Doug and Elio **Dwyre** and Jimmy **Evans** from San Jose; Ducky **Hail**, Ernie and Davie **Heidland**, Bob **Love**, Andy and Charlotte **Samuels**, Johnny **Theimer**, Glen **Williamson**, and Eddie and Marge **Wright**. The SF Bay Area Gp sent flowers, in addition to those from the Class as a whole. Jupe **Lindsey** has had an appreciative note on the latter from Harriet **Kearney**, who tells us that Doc's remains were cremated and burial will be at a place to be determined later. Harriet plans to be in Saratoga (18960 Lynbrook Court, 95070) for the time being.

Through Bill **Francis** we learn that Dorothy **Miller** (Mrs. F.E.) Slingerland, Frank **Miller's** widow, died at Carmel, Calif., on 18 Dec 68. Memorial services were held at Carmel and interment was in Stoneham, Mass. The Slingerland address is Box 149, Carmel, 93921.

George and Miriam **Keeler's** son, Major Harper Brown **Keeler**, USAF, '57, was killed in Vietnam on 30 Jan 69. Hop was on a combat sabbatical from his teaching duties at the USAF Academy and was flying low-level reconnaissance when his plane disintegrated in mid-air, presumably from a missile hit. George and Miriam **Keeler's** address is 704 N. Short Dr., Charleston, S.C. 29047. The Class extends its sympathy and condolences to the **Keelers**, to Harriet **Kearney**, and to the Slingerland family.

After being at home for three months and making good progress, Freddy **Chaffee** is back in Walter Reed with a regression of his viral nerve ailment. Double vision has developed, and he's temporarily on complete bed-rest, but Freddy's courage, fortitude, and wit are undiminished.

From the SF Bay Area, Johnny **Theimer** sends word that Jack **Geary** has had a cerebral thrombosis from which he has made practically a full recovery. Johnny had talked to him on the phone, and Dutch Holland

1929: Lincoln, far left side of table next to Vice President Agnew, at first meeting of new National Security Council. (Second from left, Goodpaster '39, far right, Wheeler '32).

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'27, had recently seen him at his San Anselmo home, 375 Faun Dr., 94960. The Class sends all best wishes, Jack. The Bay Area Gp contains many boating enthusiasts—Chick **Cooper** is an accomplished competitive yacht-racer—and a Class event this year is a return engagement of an evening boat cruise, with wives and families, to be laid out by Paul **Freeman**—based on his yachting experience with the **Sladens**, I presume. (I have a fine pic of the **Sladens** yachting. Will publish later.) Johnny also says that Paul **Harkins** was to spend some time in Spain early this year advising on a film on the life of Patton G.S. Jr., '09.

Doby and Marty **Kraft** were in the D.C. area briefly to visit daughter Susanna and family, and Paul Caraway, Dick **Wentworth** and I were able to get Doby to join us for a one-table reunion luncheon at the Ft. Myer Club. This meeting was such a success that we didn't leave the club until nearly tea-time, and Paul, who made the reservation, says that the verve of the affair materially enhanced his prestige with the club attendants. For a man who has had several major illnesses and was retired on physical in the early thirties, Doby looks as well as a man who has never had a day's illness—lean, tanned, and fit—and his ebullience and liveliness are undimmed. All this with an electric pacemaker to keep the ticker on schedule. Doby has retired from the Eli Lilly pharmaceutical company, and he and Marty divide their time between Indianapolis and the Fla. West Coast.

A. **Lincoln** has settled into the routine (that's not the right phrase, but it will have to do) of being a Big Wheel in the Nixon Admin. (See pics. Also see an article on his office in "Armed Forces Journal" of 15 Mar.) Abe and Freddie have taken a house at 2828 Albemarle St., NW, D.C. 20008. He is generally known around here as Mr. **Lincoln**, although the President did refer to him as General during one TV press conference. Abe's departure from W.P. removes our last survivor from the active list—a record and a career that the Class will suitably memorialize at the proper time. ASSEMBLY is scheduled to have a farewell article about Abe in the front pages of this issue.

Tom and Eileen **Hammond**, welcome returnees to the D.C. Gp, are living at 5401 Westbard Ave., Bethesda, Md. 20016. Tom has been doing some private-school teaching, but is now devoting his time to tutoring—math, as well as languages. Son Nicholas, the film and TV actor ("Sound of Music", etc.) now a sophomore at Princeton, continues his acting interest with the Triangle Club there, and son David, recently graduated from Georgetown U., is an asst producer with TV Channel 20 (UHF) here in D.C. It runs in the family.

Jessie Royce Landis Seitz gave a sparkling performance as the guest star on Raymond Burr's TV show "Ironside", and then celebrated by breaking an ankle in a household fall. Jeff says it's mending well. Congratulations to Royce on the performance and regrets on the accident.

John and Sara **Phillips** have had their ninth and tenth grandchildren, both girls—son David's at Watervliet Arsenal where he has quarters as a student at R.P.I. prior to W.P. duty, and son Richard's in Raleigh. Richard's little girl arrived three weeks early and four hours after Sara had taken off for Watervliet to assist in the birthing there.

The more observant of you may have noted an increased use of abrevs (always understandable, I hope) and compression in these columns lately. Faced by increased class sizes, high printing costs, and prolix scribes, the Ed. has had to give rather restrictive guide lines on wordage and space. But keep the poop and pics coming in, and don't be upset if I compress a bit or there's some delay in printing pics.

In view of the Great 40th, the D.C. Gp will eliminate its annual summer picnic this year. The next events will be the fall stag luncheon at Ft. Myer on Wed, 24 Sep, and the winter cocktail-buffet with the ladies at Ft. McNair on Sat, 22 Nov. Put these on your calendar, all you non-D.C.'ers, and plan your trips accordingly. We welcome your smiling faces—or even your glum faces, if you've got something to be glum about. Maybe we can change that for a few hours.

'30

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There seems to be a dearth of news this time. Maybe everyone spent so much energy on Christmas cards that their post-season correspondence fell off accordingly.

I did have a good letter from Bart **Bartlett** in Feb. He and Marge sold their house in Pebble Beach and will leave there some time in May, pursuing a leisurely trip across country and sailing for England at the end of June to spend the whole summer in the British Isles, including a whole month in Ireland. They'll be back on the West Coast in early Oct and decide then if and where to settle permanently. Anyone wishing to communicate with them between May and Oct can address them c/o Mr. Robert **Bartlett**, 1310 June Street, San Francisco 94109.

Charlie **Dodge** reports what he hopes will be their last change of address, the third one they've had since moving to the Washington area three years ago. They finally got the house they wanted built and are settled in at 8125 Dunsinane Court, McLean, Va. 22101. Charlie continues to be a very busy person in his capacity as Executive Vice President of the AUSA.

Joe **Haskell** celebrated the New Year by announcing his partnership with one William F. Stack Jr. in their new firm. Haskell Stack Incorporated, with offices at 230 Park Avenue. Their forte is the recruitment of executives to fill corporate requirements, at which Joe should be pretty successful.

I was off on a trip—to Morocco, believe it or not!—at the time of the Founders Day dinner here in Washington and had to miss that special annual observance. Sterling **Wright** was kind enough to pad out the last paragraph of this rather skimpy column.

Judging from the number of name cards lined up at the reception table for our Class at the dinner, '30 had the biggest representation of any class present. We had a great time telling each other how young and vigorous we looked. Present and in fine fettle were: Fred **Atkinson**, Ben **Beasley**, Bob **Booth**, Ray **Brisach**, Bill **Carter**, Alva **Fitch**, Max **Janairo**, Roy **Lindquist**, Herb **Mitchell**, Andy **O'Meara**, Tom **Stoughton**, Al **Watson**, Sid **Wooten**, Bob **Wood** (recovering nicely from a major operation), and your fill-in scribe, Ster **Wright**.

Bob **Booth** and Bob **Wood** filled us in on the present plans for our Fortieth Reunion. Letters will soon go out to all of you on the plans. I, for one, wouldn't miss it for anything. The two Bobs have done their usual thorough job and our Fortieth promises to be the greatest ever. See you there.

'31

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Many thanks to all of you for the responses to my Mar letter. I have not yet had the time to collate all the answers, but our asst secy, Betty, is keeping track of them. I'll put them all together in a later letter soon.

One sad note from Tucson, Ariz. Forrest **Caraway** had a bad stroke about a year ago. Although he is not paralyzed, he cannot write; Betty has to do it for him now. Other than that everyone checked in with well wishes and promises of refreshment this summer if we can make it.

Art **Hercz** plans to attend the 40th alone, unless one of us can come up with a good date (for him, not for the Reunion). Gus **Heiss** reports doing much traveling, local and Europe, during the past year. He and Herta have moved to an apartment at 5550 Columbia Pike, South Arlington, Va. 22204. Had an interesting note from Johnny **Hagood**. He has retired from Sears and Roebuck and is now in charge of an antique airplane museum near Santee, S.C. It is quite a place according to his description with over 40 airplanes now in the hangar and will have antique cars later. Johnny **Hauck** is still at the same old stand serving the good people of Bedford as their mayor. He says that on account of his age, Billie now allows him to do a bit of girl watching now and then. So, the **Haucks** spent a week in Acapulco doing just that. He refuses to make a decision on attending the 40th, pleading that no politician would make a decision that far in advance. Howard and Caye **Reed** report business still busy at Medford, city managing. They have bought a new house, still in the Medford area and will be at the 40th if they can still move around.

I have already received one right-from-the-heart suggestion. Either move the bar or get a new roommate—decisions, all day long decisions. Tick and Alice **Bonesteel** will be back from Korea sometime around 1 Oct, when Tick retires. They say that this past winter has been very cold there with 20 to 30 feet of snow around the Punch Bowl. They had no statement on their future plans after return. Chet and Din **Diestel** experienced a slightly different kind of winter—rain-rain-more rain, but no snow. As you doubtless know, they live in Calif. Despite all the rain, however, Dotty, their middle daughter is being married in June; to whom, I don't know. Willie **Bell** has not yet moved to Cazenovia, but he and Clire will be there after 1 June, alternating between Myrtle Beach and the north after that. Ernie and Nancy **Easterbrook** continue to enjoy their travels in Japan but should be back in the U.S. and A. by the time you read this—where they will be, they will let us know. If I can read Jimmy Stroker's penmanship, he and Marge join in wishing us all the best. Cal **Coolidge** is an honest man. On the questionnaire where I ask if the address is correct, he wrote "I didn't notice." I guess it must have been, or he wouldn't have received it. Peter Otey **Ward** came through with a newsy note about his travels. He calls himself a traveling salesman, without the farmer's daughter jokes. He had lunch recently with Vic **McLaughlin**, who he says will retire from Ft. Lee sometime in Sept. Peter also said he had a call from Jim **Corbett** and Lev **Levenick** from Calif. one evening. If it was on a Friday night, I

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can understand it. Ned **Cotter** has retired from Lockheed and is now taking it easy following a severe thyroid operation last Apr. The Squire of Berryville, Shorty **Rothrock**, reports that he had no trouble interpreting my letter. I didn't realize that it was that bad. Alice and Shorty also sent a Valentine's card, left over from Christmas but, as they say, things are tough all over. Elmo and Ginger **Mitchell** are looking forward to the 40th and are hoping. They see the Bill **Woodwards** and the Roy **Kaufmans** from time to time. Speaking of Bill **Woodward**, I had a very pleasant surprise a few days ago. Bill was in town for a civil defense meeting and took the opportunity to drop in at the school to see me for a few minutes. And I took the opportunity to hit him for the Class dues. Bob and Lib **Quackenbush** are enjoying fishing weekends at their Catskill manse. Bob is now director of U. information services at Temple, and they have moved to a new home in Moorestown which address I failed to put in my latest letter, an oversight which was dutifully called to my attention by several eagle eyed nit pickers. However, only one of you, besides Don **Yates** himself, pointed out that I had moved him to Calif. Rest assured, the proper address for Don is Fla. Revenant aux nos moutons, as Fixe used to say (I think). Bob's tenure as pres of the WP Society of Phila is finished and he said it had been fun. If I haven't done so before, I will say now that I have received many letters from classmates who have attended the functions before and after the game that the society has sponsored, and they have spoken highly of these festivities put on under Bob's leadership.

Bill and Charlotte **Train** are enjoying the Bay area life, with the exception of a slight surgical interlude for Bill and a broken leg, also for Bill. Like all skidiots, he plans to resume that bone-breaking sport after the cast is off. They see classmates occasionally; Mike **Irvine**, window shopping, don't know if he has bought one yet; Bill **Chandler** on the golf course, Herb **Mansfield**, ditto. Bill and Charlotte came East last June to attend their son's graduation from Harvard Law School, along with some other boy named Laude (cum means with, doesn't it?)

I must make way for some more recent news. Washington has been flooded with important people lately. Lombardi with the Redskins, Williams with the Senators and Dorati with the National Symphony. Our Class chipped in and helped with Ted and Nina **Parker**. Betty and I saw Ted and Nina at Bill and Helen **Cassidy's** in late Feb. They, the **Parkers** were happy to be home after six years, though they haven't decided where home will be. Also present at the do were: Fred and Marie **Warren**, who spent the evening trying to get Pat and Patsy **Hunter** and Gus and Fern **Schomburg** interested in the Warren's first grandchild. If I remember correctly, the **Schomburgs** and the **Hunters** have a score or more of grandchildren between them. Gus, by the way looked very mod with his weight loss and Edwardian jacket. Bill and Betty **Hall**, Andy and Dee **Adams**, Clyde and Georgina **McBride** (Georgina, by the way does the weeding also), Trick and Lucy **Troxel**, George and Marian **Wertz**, Curly and Marian **Wilson**, Ted and Suzanne **Decker**. End of party.

The **Cassidys** are retiring 1 Aug and are now looking for a part of the country where they can settle beside a sailboat.

Don and Alice **Webber** mention a possible substitution for the old bird noted in my letter, they suggest "Tenn. Mountain Dew." Meanwhile, the other **Webers**, Maggie and Alice, complain that nobody ever comes to "Lower Slobbovia" to visit them. Moppy and Polly **Perry** are looking forward to a three-week visit to England; and Normandy this fall—sort of a 25th anniversary. John and Janet **Berry** claim to live at a famous crossroads at Binghamton. There is a four lane superhighway going north and south; and also one going east and west. So if you are going in any of those directions you are bound to pass fairly close to their house. Irv and Naomi **Lehrfeld** have their son and son-in-law back from VN. Bill, the son, is now at West Point and Don the S-I-L is going to Ft. Bragg after getting a Master's Degree at Ill. I had a very interesting note from someone who forgot to put his name on the front of the questionnaire, hopes to come to the 40th, wrote "over" and then didn't write anything on the back of the sheet. You can't win them all.

Ding **Carter** plans to attend the Reunion in his own boat or in Deac's or both. This doesn't quite jell with Deac's idea of attending with a wealthy widow. Ding doesn't fit the latter stipulation. I received several quotes about Bob **Johnston**. It seems that he is busy traveling all over the world by freighter. He should be, at the time this appears in print, on his way to or coming back from Hong Kong. I can't keep up with his peripatetic activities. J. M. **Brown** mentioned part of the above in addition to the news that he is now retired again and is doing a little resting before doing something about air pollution. We can all hope that he will be trying to solve it, not increase it. Al **Cassevant** says that he is doing nothing spectacular in Red Bank, but is having fun and working a bit does help to defray expenses. Frank **Bogart** is rotating rapidly in NASA and helping Jake **Smart** or vice versa, both in the Washingon area.

You might know it. I'll give you one guess who is moving again. A plus for all who guessed **Callahan**. Dan and Mary have put their house up for sale and will settle somewhere in the same area. Dan is working for NASA in the Cape Kennedy complex. Carl and Wanda **Damberg's** boy, Philip, entered USAFA in June and is now on the Dean's List. We also had a list like that once but it wasn't always an honor to be on it, as I recall. Bill and Dorothy **Hampton** sent along news on the Colorado Springs area. Bob **Hackett** is working for a local bank as a director, Bob **Lee** goes hunting whenever the season is open; Charlie **Duff** goes about visiting parts of the USA, and Doc **Strother** plays golf. Bill, himself, is working part time and playing golf also.

I'm sure that I have left out much, like the **Hansboroughs** may come to the Reunion in their trailer, I forgot to include a stamped envelope in Marcellus **Duffy's** letter, Gordon **Blake** called me the other day to get Deac **Roller's** address, Gordon received one of the VN calendars also, and many others, but no more space or time. Our best wishes to all of you, and Betty and I are still hopeful about the summer.

'32

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Early this month La Trelle and Pop **Duncan** arrived in Washington and stayed at the Washington Hilton while Pop and his boss, Dr. Geoffrey H. Bourne, Director of Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center, Emory U. attended meetings at the National Institute of Health. Pop, as Asst Dir, tells us

1932: George Mather becomes the 9th member of our gang to enter the Pentagon penthouse. In a crowded ceremony in the Chief of Staff's Office, Billie and General Westmoreland pinned a fourth star on each of George's broad shoulders after which Secretary of the Army Resor presented him with his General's flag.

that he is now frequently addressed as "Doctor." Some time ago he sent us an impressive brochure complete with photographs of the work carried on at the Center. Joslin and Luke **Morris** entertained us at dinner one evening during their brief stay and on Saturday, the **Duncans** and **Morrises** came out to our home for luncheon and the afternoon before Pop and La Trelle departed that evening for Atlanta. The girls got together during the daytime and caught up on "girl talk." It was all too short, and we hope for a return social visit and an opportunity to gather in some of their friends.

Luke has been promoted to Vice President of the Assn of American Railroads and at the end of this month he will "take Joslin along" to Brussels for the annual International Transportation Conference. Before the week long conference they will have 3 days in Copenhagen, 4 days in Paris, and 2 days in Zurich accompanied by the President of the Assn and his wife. After the conference the **Morrises** will have a holiday in Scotland with old friends. Young Jay **Morris** can be seen on Channel 14 at intervals on the program "Checkpoint." He is articulate and handsome, and his parents can be justly proud.

Duncan's son, David, has finished basic training at Ft. Jackson and appears healthy and happy.

Those of you who still follow the class remnants on active duty have noted that Frank **Besson** has been selected to head the newly established Joint Logistics Review Board. Frank was recently honored by the National Capitol Chapter of the Armed Forces Management Association and cited for his "outstanding contributions" to the Defense Department as the Army Materiel Command's first Commander. He received the Chapter's 1st Gold Medal for Improvement of Management throughout the Defense Department during its 1st annual award meeting at Ft. McNair earlier this month. Former Army Chief of Staff, Gen. Harold K. Johnson, made the presentation and then made a special luncheon address concerning the Review Board. The National Chapter noted that there were 2 major factors that led to the selection for the coveted award. Gen. **Besson** "has a highly developed ability to communicate with all echelons of the military establishment and industry, and second, his long and varied service in some of the most difficult and challenging positions to be

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found in the world today has given him an understanding of management techniques mastered by only a few men." The Armed Forces Management Association is a national non-professional organization dedicated to the improvement of management throughout the Defense establishment.

Fellow reporter, Ken **Zitzman** has established an efficient telephone call list for immediate news reference such as deceased, sudden patients hospitalized at Walter Reed, etc. Part of the reason for this listing is the "why didn't you let us know about it?" from interested classmates. Early in Jan we had barely time to get the word around of Lazy **Lazar's** interment at Arlington.

This is all the news from your correspondent. Unless you out there in the hinterlands write to me at the address listed at top of column, we can't print your news in which everyone is most interested—believe it or not.

It's always nice when one of our guys who has settled in the suburbs, like Grass Valley, Calif., visits Washington as Chris and Mary **Dreyer** did for a long Xmas visit. They had plenty of incentive with son Fred (C. F. Jr.) and daughter, Mary Louis Drittler, in this area. Fred is a USAF Major, VMI '56, MSEE U. of Ariz., on duty with Aerospace Research here after a year in Vietnam as an F-100 pilot. Fred's children, C. F. III and Cathy, add to the attraction. Mary's husband is an advertising executive with the Washington STAR and they have three children. Other **Dreyer** offspring include Lawrence M., a helicopter crewman in Thailand who was on leave in Washington with Chris and Mary, and Christine, married to a tree surgeon in Nevada City, 5 miles from their own home.

While visiting all their classmates and friends in the area, Chris unfolded an intriguing tale of how he, Mary, and youngest son John did most of the work themselves in building their home on 11 sloping, wooded acres, traversed by a well-populated trout stream. Trouble was the difference in gradient, but there happened to be an old abandoned gold mine "across the street from the house" as Chris puts it. Without belaboring the point, they manhandled some 150 tons of gold mine tailings to level off the ground and form what is probably the most valuable foundation of any private residence that comes to mind off hand. The gold doesn't show in the pictures of their triple split level, but the southern Calif. pines do, and it looks good. The tragedy of it was that their 20-year-old son, John Henry, who was attending Sierra Jr. College at the time and physically helped build it all, was killed in an auto accident a month before they moved in.

After a year at Annapolis, Dwight and Flo **Beach** have decided on their final location and will go back to Chelsea, Mich., 15 miles from Ann Arbor where Dwight started off. He has completely remodeled the old farm house on 50 acres of good farmland, in which he, both brothers, his father, and grandfather were born. What used to be a simple little farm kitchen is now a large double bedroom and bath with the rest of the house in proportion.

By the time this appears, their daughter Lillian will have married Lt. John J. Mumaw, USN, in the U. S. Naval Academy chapel. Immediately afterward, Dwight was to sail his 25 ft. sloop single-handedly through 1500 miles of inland waterways including the Erie Canal and a couple of Great Lakes to its new berth on Lake St. Claire near Selfridge AFB. When word got around Annapolis, at least 1 high school youngster volunteered to play hookey for a month to crew for Dwight.

In other major real estate moves, Bill and Lil **Powers** bought a townhouse in Alexandria and another house for play in Fla., whereupon they spend all their time on their houseboat in the bay.

Life isn't all fun, however, and on a gray, drizzly day in Jan, 11 classmates and 3 wives joined others at Arlington for Lazy **Lazar's** interment. Four days before, Lazy and Clem had just finished a pleasant evening of bowling together when Lazy was stricken with his 2d heart attack in 3 years, and it was all over immediately. With Clem at the funeral were son, Julian B. **Lazar**, 27, who is in the photography business in Baton Rouge, daughter Emily Ann, a senior at Northwestern U., and daughter Mary Elizabeth, married to Maj. Thomas L. Mullan, USMA '55, now stationed at Ft. Ord. Clem will continue to live at their home in Wheaton, Ill. where Lazy was in Civil Defense for the past 5 years.

A letter from Walt **Tisdale** from his post at the State U. of New York in Albany indicates he is still active in USMA affairs. Walt started a Chapter there 9 years ago when he was CO of Watervliet Arsenal, and it is still going strong with about 125 graduates within 50 miles participating.

Here in Washington, the mad social whirl reels on just as though we were a bunch of lieutenants breaking up after Saturday morning Officers' Call.

The Dan **Campbells** gave a nice party, in fact two nice parties, for Hawaiian based Benny **Webster**, but he made only one of them. They organized one in Jan before going to San Antonio for a short visit and got back home an hour before party time to find the servants had everything arranged. Shortly after, 6 pairs of classmates and another couple arrived but no Benny. Right day, wrong month. Not ones to daunt easily, they gave another a month later, and Benny did show complete with fresh anthuriums for Ruth, flown on the same plane from Honolulu. Both parties were fun, and we natives would like to see more mistakes in that direction.

At the last class lunch, Frank **Besson** presided over 21 noisy customers, just about half of those in the area in spite of the fact that several had teaching schedules which prevented their attending. In May there will be a mixed fray with Frank and Nancy hosting for cocktails at their quarters, followed by dinner at the Ft. McNair Officers Club.

And on 8 June two days before the 37th anniversary of Der Tag, John and Fran **Pugh** will have all classmates and wives for a Sunday afternoon bacchanalia at Little Fiddlers Green, their 40 acres of rolling farmland in nearby Va. Sunshine is guaranteed, but if it rains, the whole mob could get lost in their main house whose age is either 200 years or 5 years according to which wing you happen to be in at the time.

But it was George **Mather** who gave us the chance for a gaudy ending to this column by becoming the 9th member of our gang to enter the Pentagon penthouse. In a crowded ceremony in the Chief of Staff's Office, Billie and Gen. Westmoreland pinned a 4th star on each of George's broad shoulders after which Secretary of the Army Resor presented him with his General's flag. For an encore, Westy presented George with his 2d DSM, and with many top ranking active and retired generals present made a very laudatory address pointing out that George had commanded every Army unit from platoon through the Army level. George's gracious reply included a bow to "aught '32" represented there by Luke **Morris** and me. George and Billie are now installed at Quarry Heights, C. Z., where George is C-in-C of the Southern Command. Nice guys DO win ball games. Ken Zitzman

'33

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William Y. **Frentzel** II graduates from Annapolis this June; he is our only Class son finishing a Service Academy in 1969. Bill's son will serve aboard a missile destroyer based in Hawaii. **Broshous** has arranged to have him presented with a '33 martini pitcher. Russ writes "In addition to being Professor of Earth, Space and Graphic Sciences I am operating the Expansion Planning and Control Office; there is definite progress toward the 4417 Cadet goal. 50% of the new facilities are either completed or under construction and funds have been appropriated for an additional 20% which, hopefully, will be started this summer. 30% remains to be processed. I sincerely hope I can get everything under way before I retire in '72. Operations have been handicapped by severe snow storms this past month (Feb)."

Tom and Doris **Flynn** have moved to Lincolnville Center, Maine (04850), where they have 26 acres. This is in the general area of Belfast where Marty **Frame** (our only other Mainiac) lives. Milt and Val **Summerfelt** returned in March from a 6,000-mile, 5-week trip, during which they touched base at Tucson, El Paso, San Antonio, and New Orleans. Milt says that Cowboy **Elliott** is in Valley Forge Army Hospital, and that Bob **Douglas** is with the administrative staff of Temple U. **Whipple** reports seeing our tac, Pete Newby (Bryan Conrad) at a Virginia hunt meet near Warrenton where Pete is a retired Master of Fox Hounds and is busy with horse activities. Sim and Peg gave the best reception-cocktail party of the year at the Army-Navy Club in town for their daughter, Pegita, and her new husband, Mr. Edward M. Tetterton Jr. 15 of us and our wives, plus Wag **Kleitz**, helped to sharpen the proceedings, and many others of the old Army. Phil and Janie **Pope** took a "breather" from "arctic" Md. with a trip to Fla. Doris **Wallace** says she's "trying to make everything fit into the bride's new home."

There were 13 of us at the Founders Day dinner here at Ft. Myer. Bill **Quinn** was a 3.0 toastmaster, and Milt **Summerfelt** presented the DC West Point Society's Benjamin F. Castle Memorial Award to retired Gen. Harlan L. Mumma, who was so active as USMA's Provost Marshal when we were cadets. Gen. Mumma has been most effective in persuading all Members of Congress from Fla. to make their appointments to the Service Academies on a competitive basis. Hurly **Hurlbut** has been promoted to lt. gen. We now have 14 who can wear three or more stars. He is on the Joint Logistics Review Board; but he and Polly had to give up the largest set of quarters in the Army (built in 1863).

John **Honeycutt** writes, "You said you had snow and ice—we had exactly the same thing. Went to Ft. Sill for the Centennial Celebration. I graduated from Lawton High and saw a number of my high school classmates." Roy **Reynolds** has a full time job with the Credit Management Assoc. here. He was recently at Ft. Knox and found Seuss

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1933: Son Bob Rayburn with Lindy Lou.

Pritchard busy in political activities in nearby E'town. Leo **Heintz** has two more grandchildren—"and that's enough news." Pick and Sally **Vidal** took a pleasure cruise to Jamaica; he has a new position with the Flight Safety Foundation, in Arlington. Bill **Frentzel** has been reelected president of the West Point Society of South Texas; and Red **Cahill** was named a director.

Billy **Harris** writes, "I have started on my 3d career; I have a job with EMCO Developers, Inc., a San Antonio firm dealing with nonprofit and governmental agencies concerned with medium and low cost housing. Bruce **Scott's** daughter was married on 18 Feb at Ft. Sam; Bruce had the flu and couldn't make the wedding. Bill **Damon** attended the Bing Crosby tournament, and had quarters on the second fairway! I know you're going to think I'm repeating myself, but it is true that Bill **Due** has another grandson. He now has 11 grandsons and one granddaughter. **Greco**, who was retired in '42 and is now with a wholesale hardware company here, has written "I have racked my poor brain for info of interest to our Class, but have come up with nothing." Tex **Hetherington's** daughter, Mary Carolyn, is marrying a USAF captain at Randolph."

Bob **Rayburn** and his son, Bob, are staying in London with Moon and Anne **Mullins** during the Founders Day weekend. Paul **Walters** received a certificate from a commercial airline attesting to his travel of 500,000 miles. His son, Jim, less than 10 years after graduation (USMA '59) is a major and a tac at West Point; son Robert (USMA '64) is a captain on duty on Okinawa; Mich is a 1st lt. in the 2d year of studies at Va. Medical School. Ned and Gladys **Gee's** Kacky, wife of Lt. Col. James Bowers, is waiting for his rotation from Vietnam in nearby Springfield. Their Jane will probably stay with them if her husband, Maj. Donald Smith, is ordered overseas in June when he graduates from Leavenworth.

Bill and Marge **Ryan** visited Fla.; they spent one night with Bruce and Ruth **Scott**, and were impressed with Betty **Gallagher's** gorgeous apartment in Ft. Lauderdale. Bill is working part-time with RAC, which is also the headquarters of **Whipple, Breit, Clarke, Parker,** and **Johnson.** But he complains that he has to get there so early. Ruth **Burkhalter**, answering a Class questionnaire, says "I can't stress too strongly the importance of husbands leaving burial instructions. I shall always be grateful that Perk did. Dick **Montgomery** recently stopped by, and we had some good laughs about 'the king of the Area birds'."

Fritz **Hartel** reports that Dot's sight is not good; an operation on one eye was not successful. Ned and Gladys **Gee** were with them for dinner recently. **Essman** is in a hospital in Kobe, Japan, with pneumonia. Fritz and Bill **Fuller** were our only representatives at the Ft. Monroe Founders Day dinner. **Sparrow, Gee, Kaiser, Parker,** and **Fritz** were pall bearers at the funeral in Arlington of Dot's mother, Mrs. Wilson, widow of the former CG in Hawaii. **Gillon** is again going to live in Europe, this time in Germany. Johnny **Johnson** (6801 Market Square Drive, McLean, Va. 22101—phone: 356-4461) received the highest honor of the Valley Forge Freedoms Foundation "For a lifetime of exemplary character, earnest scholarship and superior leadership." Accompanying this award was a check for $5,000.

Hoebeke says that Johnny "made a real hit with his presentation to a Strategy Conference in Dallas." **Hoebeke's** sons, Terry and Gary, are both RA captains. "Terry's wedding at Benning is set for 17 May; Gary will return from Vietnam in time to be best man—a job Terry pulled for him a few years ago. Madeleine and I are disgustingly healthy." Art **Tyson** writes: "I manage to generate 4 or 5 days (a month that is) work running our apartments. Son Bob just got back from Vietnam and is at Benning; Art Jr., is in Buenos Aires where he's teaching. I see Bill **Travis** (occasionally); his daughter, Cecilia Ann, who is a PBK, will marry a man with a Ph.D.; a lot of brains going into that union." Johnny **Lane** retired 31 Mar. He and Dorothea will spend some time at Cape Cod and later return to their Front Royal cottage.

As Dean of Students at George Mason College in Alexandria, Bob **Turner** should have some cogent thoughts on current student unrest. Fred **Zierath** writes: "We are happily settled in Tacoma on a golf course—so plenty of that, gardening (under Alma's supervision), fishing, bird dog training, and hunting. Son David's family is in nearby Portland, yet far enough away to keep doting grandparents from spoiling the kids. Old timers say this was the worst winter ever." Fred is proud of his Brittany pup and plans to enter him in field trials this year. Austin **Miller's** rheumatoid arthritis, for which he was retired in '61, has worsened and made him quit teaching math. Things have been a bit grim healthwise; the last social function he attended was two years ago—a reception for Abe **Lincoln** given by George **Powers.** "My wife, Clem, sticks by me. First son, Austin, is on his 2d tour in Vietnam, and I believe my second son, Charles, will replace him (also Charles' 2d tour); son William reports to Benning 24 March." Austin sent a picture of him pinning new gold bars on William at the U. of Tex.

Sam and Kim **Otto's** Bill (USMA '66) was seriously injured in Vietnam and was evacuated to Valley Forge. His pregnant wife visited him there and soon produced a healthy boy—the parents are just two wards apart! Son Stephen's wife, Jo Anne, had a baby girl; the first child. Daughter Ann is a freshman at Wesley College in Del. Herb and Kay **Plapp's** Maxine is with her husband, Bruce Stout (USMA '57), at Leavenworth; he expects to go to Vietnam in June, and she'll move to Orlando. Daughter Nancy is "here awaiting her first-born; her husband is in Washington as Admin. Asst to our Cong. Frye. Son Robert has a B.S. from the U. of Fla. and starts dental school this fall." Herb's Cadet roommate, Jack **Messersmith,** visited them; and he sees Gordon and Puddy **Bartlett** about every two months; "He is improving in speech, so all goes well. It's been cool here, but it beats shoveling snow."

Dan and Helen **Parker's** Danny and his bride live near Duke, where he is in his 2d year as a law student. Bev and Lib **Jones** continue their educational pursuits; he is studying English lit and is active in the local Christian Science Reading Room, and she is working for certification in Library Science. Mimi, 18, a senior in high school, was elected to the National Honor Society. Sally, 16, "has taken a 'sabbatical' from piano lessons." The Washington POST, in connection with their picture of President Nixon and Secretary Laird discussing the report by **Starbird** on the Sentinel anti-ballistic missile system, wrote of Dodd's record at West Point, the Military Olympics, his Ph.D., and his key role in our ABM work.

Sam and Dottie **Donnelly's** Judy and her husband, Lt. Col. Samouce (USMA '54) live in DC; he is with DCSOPS. Peggy and her boy are living with them while her husband, Lt. Col. Peter Hino, is in Vietnam. Right after retirement, Sam was named Manager of the Albuquerque Operations Office of the AEC. He often sees John **Honeycutt,** who has a nearby office. In Feb, Bud **Powell** was in town for a meeting of military schools; he represented the American Military Academy of Guaynabo, Puerto Rico. The doctors have told Chuck **Dunn** that he can now go back to work full time—cook books make for good therapy, don't they, Chuck. Bob **Leslie** writes that he and Ruth have a house in Levittown, N.J. She is busy with church work, and Bob has a group of 27 stocks on which he reports for Value Line Investment Survey. Son Bob married Mary **Jameson** of N.Y.; he is now working on his Ph.D. at CCNY.

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'34

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Here come the spring Notes, and it took good old St. Patrick to bring spring to the Washington Area, after the groundhog was about to let us down.

First the sad news: we learned too late for the last issue that Paul **Turner** lost his elder son, Pete, in an auto crash Christmas Eve. We all send deepest sympathy. Bob **MacDonnell** suffered a severe bleeding ulcer that was caught in time out Vicksburg way. He and Sis were here last week; Bob getting checked out by the Army docs, and Sis baby-sitting with her daughter Mickey Daniel's children, while Mickey and Bob Daniel went off skiing. I visited Bob at DeWitt Army Hospital and am thankful to report he is on the mend. The **MacDonnells** plan to retire 1 Aug and settle in the Washington Area. The **MacDonnells** stopped by McPherson and saw Bill and Peggy **Craig**. Bill was reported to have had a bout with hiatus hernia, but is better. They are reported planning on Fla. for retirement.

Bill **Voehl** writes that on 15 Jan, his doc told him his recovery from his heart attack was complete. Congrats from us all! More good news, Bill writes Caroline has had a good year with no emphysema attacks; also, son Bill (a GS-11) was home for Christmas and daughter Val has been accepted at U. of Tenn. Medical School. The **Voehls** went to Sill for Founders Day.

The Bulletins have produced a lot of addresses for updating, but thankfully most of these in the Locator were correct. We have 80 ballots in as of this writing. Don't forget to get 'em in before 1 May. Jim **O'Hara** expects a good turnout for the 35th Reunion—see that YOU ARE THERE! We also got a bonus of news items in connection with the Bulletin responses. Bud **Buehler**, Vice President of Bechtel Corp., writes that he expects to be at the 35th; Bud advises that Doris **Rogers** has moved to: c/o Peters, 3241 Willow Avenue, Brunswick, Ga. 31520. Corrected address: Mrs. John **Costain** 317-Eighth St. Minot, N. Dak. 58701. Charlie **White** put out the call to all classmates from San Antonio to Cuernavaca to attend the Founders Day dinner at San Antonio. Ken **Cunin** has been wintering in San Antone from Ohio and playing golf. Charlie plans to see YOU at the 35th. Bob **Warren** from the Société des Eaux (tha's water works, goats!) in Athens, writes he now has a new US Treasurer, and it's not so lonesome there. Bob also has an APO so it will be easier for you to write him: R. B. **Warren**, Vice President, General Manager, Box 621, APO 09223, N.Y.

Big John M. **Hutchison** writes from Phoenix that life is most pleasant, but it's amazing how busy he and Saralu are with young Mike in the first grade and Hutch as Acting Air Installations Officer around the house. Jack **Stanley** from Tokyo says he is afraid he can't make the Reunion; Fujita Tourist Enterprises has opened a hotel on Guam, and he is commuting between there and Tokyo. We'll miss you, Jack and Georgia.

Monte **Canterbury** has Pacific travel plans and regrets he cannot make Reunion. Moose **Donovan** expects to be at a conference in Teheran and also will miss Reunion. Hector **McKinnon** can't get away from his job. Don **McClennan** will be still teaching school as will Bob **Miller** and Bill **Penn** and Bill Sievers. More school teachers who will still be on the job are: Alex **Stuart**, Dale **Smith**, Charlie (Bill) **Tank**, Ferdie **Tate**; Lee **Miller** will be in Europe; Joe **Surratt** and Jack **Smoller** have kids in school. Curt **Sluman's** job prevents his getting there. Sorry fellows, we will miss all of you (and especially your wives). Bert **Spivy** has a NATO PG (?) meeting in London and a Chiefs of Staff meeting in Brussels at Reunion time; doesn't expect to make it. However, I ran into Frannie in the PX here the other Saturday and asked her to use her influence with Bert. We can maybe see young Pete who is at USMA.

The local yokels of '34 who attended the D.C. Society of West Point winter luncheon to hear Sen. Barry Goldwater speak included: **Foote, Gerhart, O'Hara, Seaman, Tyson, Schaefer, Lewis, Barton** P.L., and **Stevens.**

Jack **Schaefer** turned out his usual fine catering job in setting up our annual USMA-USNA mixed dinner dance at Arlington Hall Club on 8 March. The Navy led by Butch Harbold, outnumbered us a little, but we had as much fun. Attending were: Ceil and Jack **Schaefer**, Cy and Pat **Betts**, Bill and Anne **Kern**, Sallye and George **Gerhart**, Fred and Rosa **Barnes**, Lou and Louise **Walsh**, Jim and Eleanor **O'Hara**, Faith and Hal **Edson** (visiting the **Stevenses**) Gene and Hope **Corrigan**, Rita and Bob **Kyser**, Bob **Tyson**, Tom **Foote**, and Francie and Johnny **Stevens**. A good time was had by all!

Lou **Walsh** reports that on a January trip to Chicago he saw Bill and Georgia **Mullen** and Sis and Ike **Walton**. Lou had dinner one night with the **Mullens** who were fine and reported happily on the Mullen Christmas reunion with sons, daughters, in-laws, and scads of grandchildren. Bill is a fund raiser for a girls college and is looking for the last of the big spenders. The **Mullens** took Lou down to see Sis and Ike next day. Ike is coming along fine, spends a lot of time watching TV and has become an expert on all topics covered by the Big Tube. Sis is an absolute doll who not only takes care of Ike, but also runs a lovely home and in her spare time has become a big real estate operator. Son Jay **Walton** is Asst Prof of English at Notre Dame. Lou tried to see the **Lawlors**, but Jack was off on a trip and Mary was happily baby-sitting with the 'Seoul Affair,' aged 5.

A note from Gerry **Higgins** from Rancho Mirage, Calif., says he is so busy doing nothing he had not had time to forward his ballot earlier (have you sent yours?). Gerry says all they do is look forward to returning to their Idaho cottage in spring, which Gerry says will take some preliminary clearing as he just got word there were twelve feet of snow there at this writing.

It was good to have the **Edsons** here for the Class Party. Hal reports that Jack **Renfroe** gave the Founders Day address for the Philadelphia Society and that Jack and Ruth stayed with the **Edsons**. The **Armed Forces Journal** has announced that a memorial to Bill **Stone** is being set up at the Air Force Academy. Bert **Spivy** attended the Brussels conference with President Nixon.

The D.C. Founders Day dinner was attended by: **Lewis** (whose wife has just returned from a junket to Latin America. While there, Loretta was able to see Bey **Arosemena**—who wouldn't be able to see Bey?), **Walsh, O'Hara, Betts, Stevens,** and **Foote.** Tom has been doing some good work on helping with new admissions and brought along Mr. Patton of the AG Admissions office as a guest. The Chief of Staff, Gen. Westmoreland gave a fine talk, and the First Captain Baldwin reassured us that the Corps has not—.

We are glad to welcome Bob and Rita **Kyser** back to the Washington Area. Bob is the Deputy Director Defense Supply Agency, Cameron Station, Alexandria, Va. 22314; home 4764 N. 33d St. Arlington Va. 22207.

Well gang, guess this is 30 for this Scribe, as a new one will be elected on 1 May. Thanks for all your help in making up this column.

'35

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It is my sad duty to report the death of our classmate Walter **Bare** late in January, of cardiac arrest. All of our hearts go out in sympathy to Nelle and the family.

There is no news of promotions or retirements, but transfers include Bud **Russ** to Vietnam in early April. We understand that Fran will remain in Atlanta. Bud says "That may be a young man's war but they need a few old pros to see that they do it correctly." Bud's new address is Hq II Field Force USARV APO SF 96266. Since this is exactly the same as George **Eckhardt's** and we hear that George is to come home in May, it is a safe assumption that Bud is the relief. From the accompanying photo of Ralph **Haines**, Meg **Eckhardt**, and George, it seems that George is bearing up well. Ralph writes (11 March), "I have just returned from my third round robin in the Western Pacific with my battery charged again. Our son was slightly wounded there last week (he's with the 1st Cav) but is now back with his unit. My best to all the faithful."

The fine response to Hank **Thayer's** letter has brought in an abundance of notes. Walter **Bryde** fears he will not be able to make the 35th Reunion because his duties with Lake Sumter Junior College in Leesburg, Fla., will not release him until the middle of June. Walt and Margaret send best regards to everyone. Son Walter Jr., a major since Jan, is now on his second tour in VN. Tom and Rosemary **Clarkin** had no special news except that they are still enjoying Hawaii and send regards, inclosing with their check a beautiful postcard of the beach and Diamond Head, as a sort of lure, I suppose. Frank **Fiore** is Vice President for Latin America of Western Union International. He writes that he and Marge after 22 years of fond ownership have sold their home in N.J.,

1935: Ralph Haines, Meg and George Eckhardt.

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Margate Farm. Frank spent most of Feb in Lenox Hill Hospital, but is back on the job again now. Their son, Tony, is a major with the mission in Bogota with orders to Vietnam. Their daughter, Elissandra, Mrs. James S. Roy, is in Moscow where her husband is stationed as a Foreign Service Officer.

Herb **Gee** reports that son 2d Lt. Philip **Gee** is en route to Thailand to join an Engr heavy constr Bn. He adds that things are very busy in Fla., but he and Ruth expect to make the 35th Reunion.

Bob **Greenlee,** whom we haven't seen at the Washington contingent luncheons for a long time, threw a little light on his condition of servitude. He is with North American Rockwell and has just finished a contract for the Marines at Quantico which took a year and a half. He is now on one for Merrill Lynch, etc., to straighten out the back-office "log jams." He says his work is mostly in N.Y. now, but he may have a chance to get to a luncheon. Bob and Jackie's son, John, has been attending the Army Prep School at Ft. Belvoir and the good news is that he has passed everything and has an appointment, so he will enter USMA in July. Congratulations to all the **Greenlees.**

Dave **Gregg** writes, "Have had some minor eye work at Walter Reed the past two years, two cataracts and one detached retina." (I wonder what he calls major.) Anyway Dave is still teaching and is planning to make the Reunion in '70. Tommy **Lang** sent in a neatly-typed letter along with his check and complained of seeing too few classmates. He mentioned a brief visit by Gib **Sherrard** in the last year, and a glimpse of the **Symroski** family in an airport last November when Tommy and Sallie were returning from their eldest son's wedding at Ft. Eustis. John Walton Lang III, USMA '64, is now a captain, MPC, stationed with his bride at West Point. Their 2d son, David, is a SP4 with the 8th Arty in the 25th Div at Cu Chi, northwest of Saigon. Tommy and Sallie are hoping their 3d son, Edward, will skip that war.

Sammy **Griffin** says he is keeping busy as Director of Financial Aid at Wofford College, and he and Ann are looking forward to the Reunion in '70. Rip **Lashley** is a safety engineer with Pratt and Whitney in Hartford. He and Lois liked the area when Rip served there with the Connecticut National Guard 1957-61, but he says a few more winters like the last one might cause them to seek warmer climes. Son Andy will be off to college next fall. Charley **Hoy** is now with Paulsen Dean Industries, dredging equipment. He and Sis have moved from midtown out to an "island" on the outskirts of Charleston, S.C. The new address is 1309 North Edgewater Drive.

Charley **Leonard** writes that they spent a delightful weekend with Bill and Eulalie **Proctor** recently. Bill is very busy with the **Portland** (Oregon) Port Authority. Patty **Saxton** writes that she and Monty see the **Dalys** frequently, and the **Armogidas** too, but the **Krauses** less frequently since they live across the Bay. Son Kevin, now 11, they are touting for the USMA Class of '80. Bud **Schlanser** writes that he and Jill are planning to make the 35th Reunion, but that his forthcoming retirement together with the job of remodeling his present command to "streamline" it keep him from making firm plans.

Glenn **Thompson** wrote a nice long letter from a new address, 507 West Lead St., Kingman, Ariz. 86401. Glenn bought the Coca Cola business there, but that didn't turn out well for him, and he has had his nose to the grindstone getting out of the red with a vending machine business he was lucky to acquire before he lost the other. He says 30 more years should do it! Glenn says he saw Gert and Lee **Davis** when they passed through recently, and once in awhile the Dave **Stones** and the Bill **O'Neals** from Tucson, and once he saw "Tex" **Knowles** in Las Vegas. Jack **Sherden** enclosed a postcard of a beautiful motel on Monterey Bay, "The Wilkie's," in Pacific Grove which he now operates, and asks us to send all our friends—says he needs the business! Jack plans to make the Reunion. Dave **Wallace** sent a note from 416 Julia St., Apt. 115, Huntsville, Ala. 35805, saying he was there "exercising" his new Ph.D. from U. of Tex., but will be back "home" in San Antonio, Tex. 78209, in August at 402 Rockhill Drive.

Jack **Davis'** wife Cherry was in Walter Reed a couple of times in the last few months and at last word (March) Jack expected to take her home soon. We all hope Cherry is well now. Hap **Dalton** has been hospitalized again—trouble with that leg. We're all pulling for you, Hap. Pat **Ferris,** second of four sons of Ed and Marie **Ferris,** is finishing 23 weeks of OCS at Ft. Benning. Pat's wife Lynne and Kathy **Hoy** work as dental assistants for the same doctor in Charleston, S.C. Bob **Strauss** is Chairman of the USMA Society of Columbus (Ohio). Bob and Betty are planning a wedding for "Betty Junior" to a USMA grad instructor soon.

George **Oglesby** married Margaret Meanwell Bohstedt on 22 Dec 1968. They held a housewarming in their new home on Washington's Birthday 1969. The new address is 2365 North East 24th St., Lighthouse Point, Fla. 33064. We all wish George and Margaret every happiness. Charlotte and I were sorry not to be able to make their reception, but our second son, John, finished jump school at Benning about that time and was home on a short leave prior to going to Vietnam. His address is now US51674609, E 4/3 11 Bde, APO SF 96217.

Under the aegis of the State Department, and at the invitation of the Government of Pakistan, George **Ruhlen** shepherded an American polo team to Lahore for the Pakistan National Tournament. The team was a "14 goal or better" group composed of Harry Wilson '37, Billy West '39, and two men from Yale also once team captains. They won the championship! Then George who hadn't played for four years, joined with three Pakistani teammates and won the "4 goal" (as George calls it, the little league) championship. George says this paragraph should be headed "There's no fool like an old fool."

'36

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Two very pleasant and important events took place at the very beginning of the New Year. On 7 Jan, our precious **Ellen** married Robert G. Liming—both students at U. of S.C. On 11th, Helen **Hayes** married Capt. Roy Attride at Ft. Myer. Classmates at the Attride nuptials were **Dawalts, Sievers,** Ike **Smiths, Shulers, Lamperts,** and **Kinards.** Bill **Gage** and your Scribe had the very pleasant opportunity to escort Kitsy, since Westy was overseas visiting **Heintges** and **Fergusson,** among others.

On 30 Jan a wonderful old cavalryman joined the Long Gray Line. Col. Howell M. Estes '11 passed on in Washington. Also in

1936: Lakewood, Washington. Left to right: Persons, Bensons, Cordes.

Jan, visited two of the most inspiring people I shall ever have the opportunity of knowing, young Bill **Haneke** and his beautiful Mary. Captain Bill was at Walter Reed with a good part of his body gone, but with a superb replacement in the form of intelligence and courage; and Mary—she should write a book or teach—teach women how to be perfect wives and partners to hero husbands.

From Helen **Hess,** T-Willie **Morris** has his M.A. in math. She said Whitey has been asked to conduct a summer institute of teaching at VFMA. He replied that he would if it didn't interfere with his attending the ordination of Rev. Phil **Gage** III the middle of July (how could I avoid mention-

1936: Thailand. Left to right: Julie Abrams, Partridges.

ing this?). Betty **Holderness** reported that she was thankful that her husband, Steve Jr., had returned safely from Vietnam. He is now out of service and selling insurance for Conn. Gen'l. Clark **Hosmer** was in town in Feb attending college biz here. Jim **Illig** continues active as Comptroller of Nat'l Red Cross.

Pete and Lois **Kieffer** were at Atlanta in March to attend a week long Jr. College Assn meeting. They're still talking re-retiring here. Bill **Kimball** was conducting safety programs for the Post Office for a month in and around Atlanta. This gave us several opportunities to meet at Club 50. Gerry and Jim **Lampert** arrived at their new post in early Feb—High Commissioner, Ryukyu Islands. Jim **Landrum** joined Computer Planning Corp as Pacific representative; he still lives in Honolulu. Mike started as CG, Eighth Army in Korea in Feb. Received several letters from Bruce **Palmer** who mostly "minds the store" while Westy is out "selling." He and Kay had one trip to Sam Houston where '36ers turned out in strength, like Eddie and Jane Dunn, Eunice and Charlie **Tyler,** Flo **Jakle,** and Peg **Vincent,** John and Millie **Bartella,** and Bill **Davis.**

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1936: Menlo Park, California. Left to right: Kings, Groves, Peg Vincent, Liz Gage, Grohs.

Long letter from Bob **Partridge** in Bangkok described his and Tuck's activities there. They see **Muccis** and Julie **Abrams** not infrequently. Bill **Shuler** continues to do the best job for the Class in Washington. He has his regular monthly luncheons and gets: **Albro, Austin, Benson, Breaks, Billingslea, Clifton, Dawalt, Evans,** Geist, **Kinard, Hiester, Layne, Lynch, O'Brien, Oswald, Palmer, Segrist,** Ridge and Ike **Smith, Shores, Spencer, Tiffany, Twaddell, Kerkling,** and Westy to attend. (I'm sure no small part of his success is due to that "Libby love" who sits right outside his office.) **Shuler** is so enthusiastic about his job that he spent almost an hour lamenting why a couple of our Class were lazy and wouldn't let him (Shuler) help to find them employment.

There's to be a Class party at **Spencer's** 24 May. Van **Sutherland** was down in Mexico in March when I wrote. Betty and Chuck **Waters** were here in March attending business functions. He has been raised to President of the Baughman storage bin manufacturers in Taylorville, Ill. Chuck seems to have become successful in a jiffy since his recent retirement from the Army. Saw Muriel and Dick **Carmichael** in Jan and have corresponded a couple of times. Liz calls him "The MacArthur" of our Class; in this column I won't comment. I shall say their life and home in Washington are delightful. Dick sees **Austin** frequently and has been over to Andrews hospital to see Hap **Dalton,** as have others. Hap has circulation problems in his feet for which amputation is recommended; but as much as he (and I) hate to walk after being on the Area so very long —"feet" do make it easier to get to the latrine or to the bar. We're pulling hard for Hap's recovery.

In Feb, Liz and I went to Calif. to see her family. When it was over, she saw less family than I did '36ers. In Los Angeles there was a great Class-gathering including Bill and Elly **Jones,** Sis and Ed **Miles,** Jane and Bill **Bennett,** Lou and Marj **Chappelear,** Rudy and Betty **Ganns,** and Charlie **Simpson.** Simpson is not at present doing anything, but is looking; has an adopted son living with him. **Joneses** are expert realtors. Louey is right on top of that "oil slick" biz; and that Marj is still a composite of everything perfect in a female, and I even get away saying this in front of Liz and Louey. Ed **Miles** works for Lockheed at Vandenberg Air Base. He and Sis (**Kinard's** sister) braved landslides and oceans of rain to come visit with us.

The **Mileses, Gannses,** and **Gages** had adjoining rooms way off to ourselves in a motel. And we "had a ball" one evening. Jack and Nan **Daly** drove from Santa Barbara one evening for a pleasant dinner and much too short evening. Jack works for the Navy as a civilian employee. Fred **Terrell** phoned from San Marcos, south of LA, and said things were fine. Liz and I saw the **Weavers,** Steve and Jane **Smith,** Tiger **Janof,** and Helen and Hank **Lind** in Monterey. Hank is not working, but Helen is a curator in Pacific Grove museum. Tiger teaches math, and he and **Smiths** drove down from Sacramento. Steve said he'd tried to contact **Champion** in that city.

Jim and Virginia **Weaver** live in Menlo Park where Liz and I later visited at Ralph and Ruth **King's.** Ralph is VP at Lockheed Sunnyvale plant. They have a beautiful home—an earlier one burned down—and had a "'36 lunch" for Ed and Alice **Grove** and Peggy **Vincent** and Russ **Grohs.** The latter two—plus beautiful young Pat **Vincent**—flew up from San Antonio. No one said it was a secret that Russ and Peggy are "going together." Later I chatted on phone with Adam **Buynoski** in San Francisco. He and Betty are taking life easy in that beautiful city.

1936: Monterey, California. Left to right: Weavers, Janof, Steve Smiths, Linds, Gages.

In March I was again in Washington and saw **Dalton** and Deadeye over in his office at Army Ordnance Assn. Visited Jack **Kelly** in his relatively new office at National War College. He has a desk that belonged to Phil Sheridan that has been renovated. By coincidence, Westy has another vintage desk he's just installed in C/S office, but I don't remember its former owner. Out in Calif. I heard what a great hunter **Necrason** is up in Alaska. Alaska is supposed to be bragging about him. I think Pete **Kieffer** holds a record for largest brown bear.

A couple of nights ago received another phone call from Bill **Jordan** down in Miami. Perhaps we'll get together one of these days. Howie **Snyder** and I had a chance to reunion for first time in several months when we were guests of Tommy **Hayes** coming back from Washington in March.

1936: San Pedro, California. Left to right: Jones, M. Chappelear, Bennetts, Ganns, Simpson, Miles'.

'37

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Announcing a new Scribe for '37.

'38

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The Winter issue of ASSEMBLY just hit the newsstands, and I have already been told of a few inaccuracies, fortunately minor, pertaining to locations and activities of some of our folks. I'll try to straighten the record out in this issue, but I'm counting on you to keep me posted on the facts that you have. First hand information is best, particularly about you and your family.

The two biggest bits of winter news about the active part of our Class were Ches **Chesarek's** promotion to general and Bert **Harrison's** retirement. At a ceremony in the Pentagon in Mar, Ches had his 4th star pinned on him by Army Chief of Staff Westmoreland and was named Chief of the Army Materiel Command. Meanwhile Bert **Harrison,** erstwhile Commander of the Sixth Tactical Air

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1938: The promotion of Ferdinand J. Chesarek to the grade of General on 10 March 1969.

Force with headquarters in Izmir, Turkey, retired at the end of Feb. He and Janet headed back to Leesburg, Va., where they plan to settle permanently.

Unfortunately, neither the **Chesareks** nor the **Harrisons** were able to make the mid-March dinner of the Washington contingent of '38 at the Officers Mess in Charlie **Denholm's** country at Arlington Hall. (Charlie who commands the Army's Security Agency has his headquarters at Arlington Hall.) Welcome additions to the party, however, were Gus and Kay **Broberg** who flew in from Canton, Ohio, for the affair. Both Gus, who is a supersalesman for TRW, and Kay were in great shape. Attendance at the dinner was reduced some by the 8 or 9 fathers and mothers who tripped north to West Point to be with their sons on Plebe weekend. Among those making the trek were the **Bixbys**, the **Patricks**, the **Watsons** and the **Millers**. Frank and Peggy **Miller** with their last son about to go to USMA will soon have seen all of their four boys as cadets at the Academy.

Jerry and Rosalie **Folda** who planned the dinner recounted their experiences at Ft. Gordon, Ga., where they vacationed in Jan. Army Stratcom Chief Junie **Lotz** who had come to Ft. Gordon from Ft. Huachuca to give a talk occupied the next cottage. They all had the pleasure of dining with Jim and Dee **Lynch** who have retired in Augusta, Ga., and who now are settled in their new home on the edge of a golf course. Other retirees in Augusta visited by the **Foldas** were Bill and Dottie **Wansboro** and the George **Rhynes**. They unfortunately missed the **Tillsons** who were away at the time. John is now the Comdr of the Training Center at Ft. Gordon.

In Jan, Jim and Ginny **Isbell** came to Washington from their home in Alaska to marry their daughter Reed to John Meeks. The wedding at the Bolling Air Force Base chapel was followed by a delightful reception at the Watergate. After the wedding the **Isbells** set out for Alaska—they thought. The vagaries of space available travel, however, took them to Hawaii instead of their hoped-for direct return to Alaska. The rest of the journey was made via Northwest Airlines from Hawaii after a hectic and unsuccessful attempt to find a bed in "hula land." Space available anyone?

If any of you have trouble with your grandchildren about your war record just tell them to write the Army's Adjutant General, Ken **Wickham**. The Washington POST recently related that Ken pulled a disheartened father out of a hole when his 13-year old son Michael believed he had lied and unjustly put the freeze on him. Apparently Michael's teacher had laughingly questioned the story dad had told of his efforts during World War II. The youngster wrote the "U. S. Army, Washington," and asked for a check on what his dad had told him. Ken **Wickham** picked up the ball, had dad's record checked and found that Michael's father had indeed worked, as claimed, on the Alcan Highway. Ken wrote Michael and referred to the "great accomplishment of the men, including your father, who built the Alaskan Highway." Ken closed his letter by saying "I'll also hope that with this information in hand, you will agree that your father did not lie to you. I think that an apology to him will not be too embarrassing for you."—A worthy deed by a worthy classmate.

Your Scribe has recently had word from several classmates with interesting family details. Bill and Maggie **Kieffer** at Westover Air Force Base wrote that their oldest youngster, John B., is married and living in Riverton, Wyo. Daughter Kathy is Mrs. David Sullivan (son of Riggs, Class of '39) now a captain USMC, Vietnam. Kathy is attending school at Texas U. Billy is a senior at the Air Force Academy. Paul and Mona **Preuss** live in Moorestown, N. J., where Paul is on the staff of the Defense Electronics Products of RCA. Their oldest son, Paul, is producing film shorts with King Screen Company, Seattle; Kurt is a senior at Rice University; and Mark is in the 9th grade. Jim and Miriam **Lewis** now living in Alexandria, Va., have a rising young star in their son, Jim Jr., who is now a junior at Harvard. Jim Jr. entered the nation's oldest college as a sophomore, having successfully passed his advanced placement examinations and skipped his entire freshman year. Jack and Jo **Ryan** also have two unusual youngsters, Jack Jr. and Mike. The two graduated from the Air Force Academy together, learned to fly at the same time, served in Vietnam as a team and are now both stationed in N. Mex.

Curly **Harvey** is permanently settled, following retirement, at Pebble Beach, Calif. He has found two other classmates in the area and stated that "Jim **Henderson** is retired here as an influential banker type. Also Mark **Brennan** who is working for HUMRO. I see them both at cocktail parties, and the precise movements of their drinking arms seem unimpaired."

From down San Antonio way we hear that Ski and ME **York** live four blocks from the San Antonio Country Club where Ski spends a good deal of his time. San Antonio had no winter this year, so the golf and (we hope) Ski's scores have been terrific. The **Yorks** take advantage of their proximity to the land of Montezuma and make frequent trips to Monterrey for tequila sours.

Other classmates who are settling in, or who have settled in, after retirement include Hugh **Wallace**, a resident of Wichita, Kan., and an employee of Boeing; Howie **Michelet** who lives in Lakewood, Wash., and also works for Boeing; and Gus **Chalgren**, now in Columbia, S. C. Ed and Jean **Bailey** sold their home in Alexandria, Va., and left for Washington state in mid-March. Their new home will be in Sequim where they are looking forward to some great salmon fishing. Making the trek in the other direction were Bob and Betty **Ashworth** who left the Ft. Lewis area after they decided to settle instead in S. C. Jean **Hawes** is still in the Washington, D. C., area and lives in Alexandria, Va. She is happy and busy teaching art.

Art **Collins** recently did his good turn for Sam Eaton. On a trip to Athens, Art convinced Sam that he should go sightseeing. About to leave after almost three years in the heart of wisdom and ancient splendor, hard-working Sam had yet to see the Acropolis. Art just couldn't stand that. Freddy **Dean** from Naples confirms that Sam is planning to retire in Aug.

I am still waiting to hear from many of you who seem to have temporarily dropped out of sight. With the pot boiling as it has for '38 during the past year it has been difficult to try to find everyone. It would be a great help if you could drop me a short note bringing me up to date on your recent activities.

'39

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The main interest in the Class of '39 at this time is in the 30th reunion, scheduled for this June Week. It appears that we will have about 93 classmates returning which will be

1939: 16 stars from the Class of '39 assembled in Vietnam in March. Left to right: Bill Bradley, Frank Mildren, Andy Goodpaster, Dutch Kerwin, Phil Davidson, Julian Ewell.

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the biggest turnout we have had since the 10th Reunion.

Our Reunion Program starts on Wednesday, 28 May, with a picnic that evening, and it concludes with a dinner-dance at Stewart Field Officers' Club on Friday evening. Due to the large turnout, we will be staying in three different motels, with the largest group staying at the Harriman Traveler's Lodge in Central Valley.

On the previous page you will see a photograph of the '39ers in Vietnam. Andy **Goodpaster** will be leaving for Europe very shortly to take over his new duties as NATO Commander, and Julian **Ewell** will be getting a third star soon and taking over command of II Field Force in Vietnam. Our hearty congratulations to both of them and to those in high places who selected them for these vital positions of leadership.

Bunny **Adams** writes from the Pacific that the Class of '39 is in the drivers seat out there also. Bunny is Chief of Staff in Headquarters Pacific Air Force, and Mike **Davison** is Deputy Commander, U.S. Army, Pacific. Also, out in that area, are Jake **Jacoby**, Dick **White**, Walt **Winegar**, Moe **Boylan**, Ralph **Jordan** and Hal **Wilson** (ex '39 M Co).

We were all saddened by the passing of Seth and Duval **Hudgins**, two wonderful people whom we will all miss very much. Seth was always a good booster for the Class of '39 and, ironically enough, it was he who created the idea of the special Class of '39 memorial markers which we place on the graves of classmates here, at West Point, each Memorial Day.

Most of you have probably received letters asking for your donation to the Superintendent's Fund so that we, as a Class, may make a special gift on the occasion of our 30th Reunion. We have already received a number of checks and are hopeful that every single member of our Class will take this opportunity to contribute, at least in this small way, to West Point. We have suggested $30.00 per man, one dollar for each year of service since graduation. But, contributions in any amount are most welcome and encouraged.

We have two class sons graduating from USMA this year, George **Lasche** and Brooks **Boye**. The proud parents of both of these fine young men plan to be here for the Reunion and June Week. Jack **Samuels'** son, Tom, will graduate from the Air Force Academy, so Sam and his wife will be out there and miss our reunion again.

1940: Maj. Gen. Roland M. Gleszer (left), Commanding General of the 5th Infantry Division (Mech) and Fort Carson, shakes hands with Brig. Gen. Walter F. Winton at a Farewell Ceremony in front of Division Headquarters. General Winton was the Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver) while stationed at Fort Carson. General Winton's new assignment is as Chief of Staff, I Corps, Korea.

'40

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And now the snow is gone and the spring is upon us, and once more "the voice of the turtle is heard in the land." A perceptive reader can always tell when there is not a plenitude of material on hand for the beginning is apt to be most literary and trite and for the sake of redundancy . . . banal.

First: The 1969 Graduates. From the Air Force Academy there is one: Burt **McKenzie's** son Burton E. Jr.; and from USMA there are two: M.F. **Colacicco** and Bidwell D. **Moore.** Appropriate engraved gifts will be given them from the Class as we have done before.

Second: The 30th Reunion in 1970. For early planning purposes please send me a post card or a letter stating whether or not you plan to come and whether you will come complete with family. There are Howard Johnsons' Holiday Inns, etc. in this area, and if I have some early data, I can see what can be done. You may prefer to stay in barracks . . . if so, please indicate. This will probably be our last big one, so if we are going to do it we will want to get at least a 2.5 on it. We will have 5 graduates to honor in 1970: Another **Colacicco, Bagstad, Gasperini, Roedy** and another **Wetherill.**

Third: People. Willis **Lewis** retired and lives in Shreveport, La. Chuck **Bagstad** also retired but no address is available. Larry **Klar** writes from Tallahassee, Fla. where he has finished his M.A. and is well into his Ph.D. in Theater Arts. Howard **Penney** is CG, USAREUR and Seventh Army Troops, APO New York 09102. H.B. **Chandler** is Borough Administrator of Metuchen, N.J. and has to do with such things as "lolly beams," "footings," "studs," and "sheet rocks," in the construction of his own home. Vic **Conley** is retired, and his permanent address is 2967 Sailor Avenue, Ventura, Calif. The **Podufalys'** Eileen married 2d Lt. Allan M. Crecelius, USA, at Ft. Meade Chapel. **Woodward,** back from Korea, goes to ODCSPER USA in the Pentagon. Frank **Meszar** goes from Savannah, Ga. to Vietnam, Hq 1st Cav Div USARV. Frank **Devlin** is now Dpty Post Comdr at Ft. Devens.

Roy **Nelson** retired and works for Packard Bell in Calif. Vicki **Klar** married David Norton Walker on 4 Oct 1968 in Boston, Mass. Class Party for members in Washington, D.C. area was held on Saturday, 19 April. Joe **Couch** collected the money. Budge **Bingham** is in the Pentagon. Bob **Brewer** works for IBM in Gaithersburg, Md. John

1940: Nine members of the West Point Class of 1940 gathered at Fort Bliss, Texas, during the 4th Army Civilian Aides/Educators Conference. The reunion included (from left) Col. George H. Mueller, Maj. Gen. Richard T. Cassidy, Col. W. W. Saunders, Col. J. M. Moore, Col. J. A. O'Brien, Maj. Gen. Wendell J. Coats, Col. Landon A. Witt, Col. R. R. Norris, and Col. James R. Wendt.

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Burfening retired and lives in Alexandria, Va. **Cassibry** is at McLean High School. **Lee Fritter** is in the Office of the Chief, Army Reserve in the Pentagon. Ray **Goodrich** is with Communications Satellite Corp. Dick **Kent** is with Sade & Co. in Washington. Oz **Leahy** is at Belvoir with CDC. **Lynn** is with Stephen Foster Int. School in Alexandria. Bud **Marston** is with Stanford Research Inst. Bidwell **Moore** is with Van Dorn Associates in Washington. **Wright** H.T., works with Radford Corp. of Bethesda, Md. Alan **Thayer** retired and teaches courses in management at Boston College.

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On the move: Mac **Lemley** from Canada to DIA, D.C.; **Podufaly** from Hawaii to the Pentagon. Joe **Hardin** retired 1 Mar and lives in Dallas. Bill **Francisco** moved from Nicaragua to MacDill AFB. Al **Gillem** commands the 3d Air Div in the Far East. Ross **Milton**, no longer Comptroller of the Air Force, is now Vice Director, International Military Staff, Military Committee, NATO. Maurie Lynn **Shoss** will marry Paul J. Haas at Ft. Sam Houston on 10 Aug.

Following receive permanent MG stars: **Williams, Miley, Wright, Cagwin, Cassidy, Coats,** and **Gleszer.** Retired in the Air Force are: **Bagstad, Berry, Brosseau, East, Fowler, Horton, Jones, Knight, Lewis, Loofbourrow, Marston,** and **McCartan.** Karen Vick **Byrne** was married to Richard E. Gordon at Duke U. Chapel at Durham, N.C. on 21 Dec 1968. Other retirements in the AF: **Parker, Rauk, Shelley, Sleeper, Smith,** S.T., **Summers, Symroski,** and **French.**

Think about the Thirtieth.

'41

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American Embassy
Bern, Switzerland

We are having a great ski season here in Switzerland; wish you all could join us. We hate to think of leaving this beautiful country, but it is R minus 130 and still counting. On 31 July the USAF will muster out the few remaining colonels: **Rhynard,** Brown EW, **Travis, Brier, deJonckheere, Sawyer, Seamans,** Thompson CA, and **Andrus,** and you may be sure we will hit the ground charging when we receive the command, "Graduation Class, Dismissed," or was it, "Odd numbers, Post?"

REFORGER brought Boaty **Boatwright** and his 24th Inf Div to Europe. Didn't have a chance to see him, but he and his fighting outfit received excellent press. Boaty, who pinned on his 2d star in Nov, put on an excellent show.

The JOURNAL reports that Spec **Powell** and Burnside **Huffman** are both in USARV and that Mac **Jones** is back in Washington with the Army Element of the Defense Comm Planning Group. Hal **Tidmarsh** has assumed duties as Director, Dept of Maintenance Tng, Army Avn Schl, Ft. Rucker. Sam **Magruder** is Inspector General, Combat Developments Command, Belvoir. John **Schremp** has joined Electro-Optical Systems Inc., a Zerox company in Pasadena as Mgr of Image Tube Operations. Phil Seneff goes to USSTRICOM McDill AFB. Dick **Travis** moves up to Vice Commander, 19th Air Force at Seymour Johnson AFB, N. C.

The JOURNAL has printed photos of many of our stalwarts. George **Brown** was shown greeting Gen. McConnell at Tan Son Nhut and escorting Admiral Cousins and a former under secretary. Jack **Norton** was featured in an article, "A Paratrooper's View," and was shown examining a helicopter at Ft. Wolters. As Commander, Seventh Air Force and Army Aviation Materiel Command respectively, George and Jack continue to play vital roles in the defense of our country. Felix **Gerace,** CG Army Natick Lab at Natick, Mass., was shown at a ribbon cutting ceremony, and Johnny **Brooks** was shown along with the other key officers in the Defense Supply Agency. Bob Samz, Acting Head, Ordnance Dept USMA, wrote a letter to the editor on the Manager's Role.

During a recent quick trip to the States, I saw John **Henschke** in Denver. He took me to lunch, offered some sage advice on working in Defense Industry and reported Dottie and Joanie both well and happy.

A somewhat tardy Christmas card from the most active pilots in the Class, Doris and Wally **Lauterbach** tell of their adventures and classmate visits in their Cessna 310. They continue to sing the highest praises for what Doris called a "Godforsaken dumb little town" just three years ago. They see the **Gurnees** and **Christensens** about as often as they used to at class luncheons. Another Westerner, Stan **Ramey** writes of his problems keeping the ROTC program going at Stanford, and of seeing the **Christensens** and **Hershenows** regularly—and talking to Paul **Root** on the phone.

Jack **Millikin** reports that he is a "Tenant" at Motorola with Howdy **Clark's** Division (Govt Electronics). Their offices are adjacent, and Jack's door reads, "Manager, Long Range Federal Market Development Planning." Jack also reports, "Herb **Stern** is running his Dad's furniture business in Rockville. **Oswalt** and **Mather** are keeping Belvoir running. George **Pickett** appears stuck a bit longer as Deputy J3, Joint Staff, and **Coakley** is still keeping Army CINFO confused plus doing a good job as Class President. I find the change of pace after six years in the Puzzle Palace most enjoyable."

You can expect the next protest march to take place in Heidelberg. Bill and Nancy **Vaughan** are being transferred to Augsburg to Hq US Spt Dist Sud Bayern (Prov) APO NY 09178. The Army's greatest logistician has not disclosed what the above initials mean, but you may be sure the job description includes checking the supply of snow at Garmisch.

The "Military-Industrial Complex" Ghost is at large again. According to Bill **Gurnee,** the top 100 Defense Contractors have to report by name and job position every retired officer in the grade of colonel and above. This not only builds a little more head wind into job-hunting, but far more serious, it is another step toward eroding the military image.

In a more cheerful note about Andree's wedding, Bill says, "Old Dad even made it down the long aisle and remained upright through the whole affair. Our only regret was that we are so isolated from the Class. Jack and Muriel came down and helped a great deal. But a wonderful moment for Ruth and me."

Arn **Phillips,** Program Manager for the F-4 at McDonnell-Douglas, reports a fast trip to Israel in Feb but an itinerary that did not include a cooling off period in Bern.

Fox **Rhynard** took Lid to DeRussy in Feb. "On our first day, walking the beach in front of the permanent quarters, Curt **Chapman** spotted us, and first thing you know we were sitting under his banyan sipping Mai Tai's. He and Terry are living it up, working hard, but also enjoying life after his tour in SEA. We spent the better part of a day with Chick **Seamans** and Ginger sailing his 20' racing sailboat. This is truly the sport of kings, and I have decided to become a king ASAP. Talked to Dick **Scott** on the phone but did not see him or Peggy. Mike is programmed to return from his combat tour the end of May and enter F-4 front seat upgrade training in July at George. As a tiger who wants to get into the front seat, he may go right back to SEA."

Jack **Christensen** reports having survived the **Gurnee** wedding, that his company as well as Lockheed and Philco are being squeezed: "thousands are being laid off around this area," and that he may muster another trip to Europe which would include a stop this way.

George **Brown** writes that he saw Frank **Linnell** and Curt **Chapman** before they left and that he sees Elmer **Yates** and Wendy **Knowles,** "neither of whom have changed a bit." George had great things to say about Abrams and the way the Services are working together.

George **McIntyre** wrote that his résumé is written attempting to counter the fact that "Tankers have limited transference to titans of industry" and that they are planning to limit the job hunt to San Antonio. "The job mart there is very meager, but we're going to give it the big try. Having said this, we'll probably end up in Oshkosh."

A. Wray **White** sends disturbing editorials from his Cincinnati newspaper. His thesis on City Management is heavily underscored in the latest RETIRED OFFICER MAGAZINE which says that the city is the American Frontier.

Potter **Campbell** says, "We're moved into our new house on Huntington (Northport) Bay and having a succession of Nor'easters—Wow! But fun to do your own work on your own house at 47 Harbor Circle, Centerport, N. Y. 11721. Am project mgr on a study of air-cushioned vehicles which looks like a natural for Delta warfare. Don't let anyone tell you that the DOD is disorganized—you ought to see industry."

Lyman **Faulkner** talks of the challenge of the real estate business, the mammoth snows at Mammoth, and his son and son-in-law both in VN. "The latter picked up an AK 47 round in the arm and was evacuated after commanding a rifle company on his 3d combat tour and being recommended for his second DSC."

Tom **King** writes from 925 Long Drive, Winston-Salem, N. C. "Our 'Wee Gordy' has been accepted for entrance to USMA in July. He managed to ham into the class picture at the reunion picnic; chalk up another one for '41!"

Belatedly but very happily the word has arrived via Swiss Mountain Mail Truck that Pete Crow has bagged his third star and has taken over the most important post of Comptroller of the USAF. Hats off, Pete, and squeeze those dollars for us poor tax payers.

Gloom Period Has. The birds are doing their thing. The joggers are jogging. And

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Charlie Brown has started spring training. Be of Good Cheer, Keep the Faith, and Keep Charging!

'42

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How nice to return from two weeks in San Francisco, Hawaii, and Las Vegas to find Dan **Halpin's** stern admonition to get off my you-know and meet his 25 March deadline!

Barbara and I bothered no one except to ask **Bud Ryder** to scrounge a pair of crutches to enable me to "do" the beach at Waikiki. He and Caldy, bless 'em, greeted us at the airport, leis and all, shared our first really and truly Mai Tai's, wined and dined us, helped us do the town one night and then wished us Aloha when we left. Bud's mother and aunt were visiting at the time, and it was a special treat to see our Mrs. Comm. again. Bumped into Hal and Alice **Rice** at DeRussy. He's there on a special project for three months, so Alice claimed a fringe benefit under Section III of the marriage code!

Dick Reinbold and **Bill Garland** have been given the good news that those two stars are permanent. **Carl Stapleton** has now donned his second star but is as yet in the temporary, good-behavior category!

Ed **Aileo** has June orders to USAREUR, **Frank Clay** becomes our resident intellectual at the C&GSC in July, Crit traded in a short

1942: Tom Rienzi, Pat Timothy and Bob Terry strike fear into the hearts of the foe at Pleiku.

Pentagon tour for the joys of Heidelberg in mid-March. Ray **Murphy** was his sponsor at that end, and if the arrival was that close to St. Paddy's Day, it should have been a gasser. **Al Hunter** leaves us for USARV in late May. A change of address from Grant **Jones** shows his new homestead to be Hq Fifth Army. Jerry **Snow** is to retire 1 July but as yet no word as to future plans. Buck **Tarver** must have the goods on someone in Assignments as he leaves the Presidio for USAREUR! One classmate, long unaccustomed to orders, found the Postmaster General possessed of an impressively authoritative manner, and as a result Jim **Josendale** double-timed in from St. Joe to be the Director of the Office of Regional Administration and has already attended his first '42 luncheon!

Dixie **Howell** advises that he has retired to 1629 - 39th St., West Palm Beach 33407. He works with the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District as Assistant to

1942: Bill Garland received the Air Force Association Citation of Honor during the AFA Convention in Houston.

the Director of Field Services. Whew! Fran **Roberts** sent a note in praise of the guts—if not the judgment—he and George **Eckert** were displaying on the ski slopes in Alaska. Fran then timed an official boondoggle to be here for our February lunch and made the rotogravure with daughter Laurie as he gave the graduation address to her WAC Basic Officer Candidate Class.

Joe **Cannon** sent a copy of the Presidio Founders Day Notice. Samuel W. **Koster**, Supe, was featured as the guest speaker, and Joe says that he, **Crowley, Colladay, Finney,** Lee **Jones, Pendergrast, Tarver** and Skip **Young** all agreed that Saml was masterful.

My informants advise that Bob **Clagett, Duffie, Ely, Foster, Hunter, Marks, Mizell, Offley, Raymond, Sheffey, Ulsaker, Vogel** and **Watson** represented us at the local bash. Bob recently had Ec **Cutler** down to admire all his computers. Garrard is about to go to work in the Automotive Standards Division of GSA.

The Mutual Benefit Life wrote me to boast that "Mr." Albert N. **Thompson** was a million dollar producer in '68 and as such achieved membership in their Masters Club. Congrats on such a successful leap into the cold, cruel, Al. But you've been called an old master (?) before, haven't you.

Big Tom **Rienzi** contributed the early March photo herewith. Bob **Terry** sneaked away from STRATCOM Pacific and USARPAC for a look at his old command, now Tom's baby, the 1st Sig Bde. Pat **Timothy** is lord and master of Pleiku and environs. Tom had seen Jack **Barnes** with the 173d recently, Judge Hank **Ivey** in Saigon, and his local cohorts Jim **Newman** and Mark **Terrel** frequently. Bill **Kraft** was to be next on his itinerary.

As if there weren't enough reminders of the passage of time, at hand are announcements of the November marriage of young Ben **Hardaway**, the March wedding of Pam **Hamilton**, the April nuptials of Linda Fay **Ward**, and the engagement of Lynne **Jordan**.

At West Point in late January I saw Sam and Betty **Hays**, Dopey and Jackie **Stephens**, and Sam and Cherie **Koster**. Had the extra pleasure of going down to the Garden with the Supe to see ARMY beat Manhattan.

The local press pictured a Gaslight Girl, Pat **Gates** and some old general by the name of Mahlon celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Washington Gaslight Club. In less happy surroundings but at least on National TV was Rip **Young**, trying to explain to irate Bostonians that ABM, as in sites, does not mean automatic bomb marker, accidental blast maybe, etc.

Ec **Cutler** reports that on Feb visit to Ft. Bliss to attend an Electronics Warfare Course he was royally entertained by Joe and Ruth **Morey**. Ruth is active in the housebuilding business, and Ec enjoyed a tour of some of her latest "creations." Ec also saw George **Buck** at Holloman where he's making strenuous effort to get red snapper on the Club menu here.

With deep regret I report the death of Roy *Smith in San Pedro in Feb. Interment was in* Rifle, Colo., on the 16th. Flowers and a letter of sympathy were sent to Jean for the Class. I must also pass along the sad news that Hank **Urrutia's** mother and Dick **Hennessy's** father have recently passed away.

By the time you have seen another dozen of these columns, it'll be time to pack up and head for our 30th. Project '72 has just that long to succeed. Most of you have yet to get your feet wet so I suggest that you use each of these columns as a reminder to send in a small contribution if you can't hack in in larger bites. Box 42, Ft. Myer, Arlington, Va. 22211 awaits your checks and your news!

JAN '43

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A number of our Washington contingent were present to pay final tribute to Bart **Yount** as he was laid to rest beside his father in Arlington Cemetery on 10 March. The pallbearers were Brad **Lundberg**, Bill **Starnes**, Bill **Knowlton**, Bill **Pitts**, Kilburn **Roach**, and Jim **Frankosky**. Bart retired from the Air Force two years ago and had been living in Madrid, Spain, where he was helping to organize a feeder airline system. His untimely death on 25 Feb resulted from meningitis.

We in the Washington Area staged our 26th anniversary party at Ft. McNair on Sunday evening, 19 Jan—a night which was memorable not only as the anniversary of our June-in-January graduation, but also as inauguration eve for the new President of the United States and the 26th wedding anniversary of a number of those present at our party. Responsible for arranging and managing this very pleasant evening were Charlie **Heltzel** and Bill **Pietsch**. Those present to celebrate our 26th were: Jackie **Armstrong** (with Jack in Vietnam), the Bob **Badens**, Charlie **Burrs**, Kenny **Buells**, Cliff **Butlers**, Frank **Camms**, Clarence **Davenport**, Bill **DeGruchys**, T.Q. **Donaldsons**, Ed **Faust**, Flip **Fenilis**, Pete **Grimms**, Bill **Hahns**, Charlie **Heltzels**, Sam **Karricks**, Bill **Knowltons**, Chuck **Lenfests**,. Ed **Lowrys**, Eddie **McGoughs**, Stew **Meyers**, Rex **Mincklers**, Danny **Moores**, Johnny **Norrises**, Bill **Pietsches**, Em **Princes**, Harry **Pritchetts**, Jack **Rosses**, Russ **Smiths**, Fred **Spanns**, Bill **Starnes**, Bill **Talbotts**, Charlie **Wirt**, and the Jack **Woods**. During the course of this convivial evening, Bill **Knowlton** read a special anniversary message from General Creighton Abrams

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Jan '43: Classmates in the Long Binh/Saigon area celebrated the 26th anniversary of our graduation in the USARV Command Mess. Posing for a head count are (left to right, front row) Bob Fiss, Bert Hood, and Bob Burlin; (rear row) Ted Ardery, Bob Cook, Grey Wheelock, and Elvy Roberts.

('36) to the members of our class, and Bill **Hahn** showed color slides (taken by Jack **Upchurch**) of our 25th Reunion at West Point last summer.

Meanwhile, from Vietnam, Elvy **Roberts** reported that he and seven other classmates in the Long Binh/Saigon area staged their own 26th anniversary party in the USARV Command Mess. Mitch **Goldenthal** also sent word from Vietnam that our 26th anniversary was celebrated by all of our four classmates in the Phu Bai area. According to Mitch, classmates in Udorn, Thailand (Ted **Seith**, José **Benson**, Rabbit **Brook**, and Ray **Ruyffelaere**) called him on the evening of 18 Jan (courtesy of the 1st Sig Bde Comdr, Tom Rienzi, '42) to announce that they were celebrating our 26th anniversary a day early —or maybe they just wanted to celebrate twice.

On 31 Jan, a record roll call of the Washington contingent assembled in the Secretary of the Army's Mess for luncheon and the election of new class officers. Elected on the first ballot were Johnny **Baer** (President), Bill **Starnes** (Vice President), Em **Prince** (Treasurer), and Bob **Baden** (Secretary). Members of the class who were present to elect the new slate of officers included: Bob **Baden**, Johnny **Baer**, (who just returned from Thailand and is in the midst of house-hunting), Kenny **Buell**, Charlie **Burr**, Frank **Camm**, James (M.) **Cobb**, Jack **Daye**, Clarence **Davenport**, T.Q. **Donaldson**, Ed **Faust**, Flip **Fenili**, Bill **Fritz** (who has recovered from his harrowing experience with surgery), Pete **Grimm** (who reported on our soon-to-be-released 25th year book), Jim **Hackler**, Bill **Hahn**, Charlie **Heltzel**, Bill **Hume**, Bob **Hillman**, Sam **Karrick**, Fred **King**, Bill **Knowlton**, Ed **Lowry**, Eddie **McGough**, Stew **Meyer**, Rex **Minckler**, Jim **Moore**, Danny **Moore**, Johnny **Norris**, Bill **Pietsch**, Bill **Pitts**, Ed **Prince**, Jim **Richardson** (who dismissed two of his morning classes at Delaware Community College and drove 120 miles to be present), Kilburn **Roach**, Jack **Shaffer**, Snuffy **Smith**, Russ **Smith**, Fred **Spann**, Bill **Talbott**, and Charlie **Wirt**.

During the course of the luncheon, Jack **Daye** (out outgoing Treasurer who established our Class Investment Fund and who will shortly join the United Services Automobile Association as Assistant to the President—Bob **McDermott**) presented his final report on the portfolio of the Class Investment Fund which now includes: Diamond Shamrock, Santa Fe Industries, Kysor Industries, Continental Oil, and Kennecot Copper. In addition, Bill **Hahn** (our outgoing Secretary who is shortly departing the ever-thinning ranks of those on active duty to become a church administrator) bequeathed his carefully assembled, class locator ledger to our incoming Secretary Bob **Baden**.

The Class also proferred its congratulations to our new Air Force Brigadier General-selectees: Jim **Frankosky**, (and we've already wet down his stars), Dave **Lowe**, George **Sykes**, and Wendell **Bevan**.

A special round of cheers is also in order for our new Air Force Major General-selectees: Bill **Pitts** (who has just been designated as the new Air Force Director of the Budget), Lou **Wilson**, and Tote **Talbott**. The announcement of their selection just missed our last column. At the same time, Johnny **Buckner** and Chuck **Lenfest** were made permanent Brigadier Generals.

Jim (J.) **Cobb**, who visits Washington now and then in connection with his SENTINEL System duties at Huntsville, Ala., reported that Bob **Marshall** became a TV star in his own right overnight on the Huntley-Brinkley Report when he was explaining the SENTINEL site activation plan.

From Bill **Knowlton's** prolific pen came news that Ed **Bennett** has been ordered to the Civil Administration, Ryukyus (APO 96248, San Francisco) as the Deputy Commissioner and that Bob **Fiss** is returning to the JCS in Washington after the completion of his tour in Vietnam. Bill also reported that Doug **Blue** was shifted from a special assignment in the personnel area to the Office of the Joint Chiefs. Meanwhile, Bob **Hillman** is leaving the AC/S Office to become chief of the USARPAC Field Systems Agency in Hawaii with quarters at Ft. Shafter—hoo boy! Another data systems man, Charlie **Burr**, leaves the Civil Disturbance Directorate in the Pentagon to join the Automatic Data Field Systems Command at Ft. Belvoir. Dana **Stewart**, who is with Kaiser Jeep in Cleveland, visited Washington recently. Dana is also CO of the 107th Armd Cav Regt, a National Guard unit in Ohio. Another recent visitor in the Washington area was Tommy **Farnsworth** who came to be with his mother shortly before her death; our sympathies are with him.

Orders were recently noted reassigning Hank **Greenberg** to Oklahoma State University where he is to be PMS. The way that ROTC is going these days, this assignment might be classified as hazardous duty. Clarence **Davenport**, who was the Dpty Dir of Air Defense on the Army Staff, has been reassigned to OSD for duty with the Arms Control Agency. The **Army Times** recently featured a picture of Flywheel **Flanagan** as the southpaw General who gave a young major from the 82nd Abn Div a tremendous

Jan '43: A 100% turnout of classmates in the Phu Bai area for our 26th brought together (left to right) Mitch Goldenthal, Joe Conmy, Darrie Richards, and Jack Armstrong.

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Jan '43: Army Chief of Staff, General Westmoreland, and Peggy Knowlton pinned the second star on Bill Knowlton before a sizable group of well-wishers in the Chief of Staff's office on 28 February.

scrap before he succumbed in the final match of the Ft. Bragg Invitational Squash Tournament.

Jim **Hackler** recently announced that he plans to retire from the Air Force at the end of March in order to manage a business in N.C. in which he was part owner and which fell on his shoulders unexpectedly when his partner died.

The Class offers its congratulations and bouquets to Air Force Lt. Allen **Lundberg** (USAFA '67) and his bride, Mary Lou Ertell.

Jan '43: Class son, Davis Knowlton, receives congratulations from Joe Conmy on his promotion to Sergeant in Joe's brigade of the 101st Airborne Division.

They were married in the Washington University Chapel, St. Louis, Mo., on 4 Jan 1969, and are now stationed at Eglin AFB, Fla. May Lou is a graduate of Temple Buell College in Denver and is listed in **Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.**

So, once more from the Washington flagpole, your Scribe sends best wishes wherever you are—a note from near or far is always appreciated.

P.S. The Class offers its blue-ribboned congratulations to Jack Shaffer who was appointed by the President to be the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration and was sworn into office on 24 March.

JUN '43

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On the 24th of January the Air Force announced the appointment of several classmates to general officer grade: To Major General—Dale **Sweat**, John **Bowley** and Bill **Snaveley**; to Brigadier General—Ralph **Hallenbeck**, Tid **Watkins**, Vern **Turner** and Jim **Pugh**. According to my statistics, the Air Force now has six major generals and 18 brigadiers; this makes a combined total of 35 Army and Air Force classmates in general officer grades. Our warmest congratulations to the most recent appointees!

It might be well to publicly apologize to Bill **Snaveley**, as we overlooked the graduation of his son, Bill Jr., from the Naval Academy. By this time we will have awarded him a Class tray as we have those graduates from the USAFA and USMA. The following sons will be presented their Class trays at graduation in June '69: Jed **Cantlay**, USMA; Henry **Schroeder** III, USMA; Tom **Keck**, USAFA.

Joe **Weyrick** has furnished me the following information concerning Army reassignments: Hank **Schroeder** returns from Vietnam and has been assigned to Hq USATC, Ft. Bliss, Tex. Roger **Ray** moves from Picatinny Arsenal to join us here in Washington. Jack **Morris** leaves Washington to command an Engr Bde in Vietnam. Steve **Gordy** leaves Ft. Riley and will also join us here in Washington. John **Moses'** retirement address is 764 Otis Boulevard, Spartansburg, S.C. 29302. Our congratulations to George **Bugg** who was recently promoted to colonel.

I just recently received a letter from Bud **Bolling** who is Chief of Staff of the XXIV Corps in Vietnam. By the time this is published Bud should be on his way home. He reported Al **Burdett** is the Asst Div Comdr of the 101st Abn Div and is scheduled to take over the supervision of the U.S. Army Air effort in Vietnam. Hal **Parfitt** commands an Engr. Bde. Hal **Aaron** commands the 5th S/F Gp; R. C. **Grady** is on the MACV staff with Dick **Shaefer**. Bud further reports on his own family: Fran is at Satellite Beach, Fla., during his absence; Russ is a Plebe at USMA; and Kathy graduates this summer from Kentucky-Wesleyan.

In addition to Bud's dope on classmates and his own family, he included some accolades for the Class of '67. I have passed this on to Bernie **Rogers** and have asked that this portion of Bud's letter be included in the Class of '67 notes of the ASSEMBLY.

The classmates in the Washington area had a party at the Bolling AFB Club on 1 March that was sponsored by Juanita and Dave **Schwartz** and Bev and Hank **Richard**. Even though the weather was pretty dismal —about four inches of snow—we all had a grand time! The following attended: **Bowley, Childs, Collins, Farley, Greenwalt, Hagen, Hardy, Heintzelman, McGregor, Hogan, Hudson** (John), **Hudson** (Lee), **Jones, McAdam, Malone, Moore, Morris, Pinnell, Plett, Reed, Richard, Sawyer, Schramm, Schwartz, Scott, Silvester, Sonstelie, Spiece, Tenney, Tomlinson, Turner, Umlauf, Walsh, Sembach, Weyrick, Wickert, Conard, Davenport, Mathe.** Also, Cobe **Hurley**, Bev **McCanna**, Marianne **Aaron**, Peggy **Magathan**.

Bob **Plett**, who has acted as Secretary/Treasurer for the "43 Plus Twenty-five" book, has furnished our Class President, Lee **Hogan**, with a detailed report for this endeavor. Portions of it are summarized and quoted below: Our yearbook, "43 Plus Twenty-Five," has been completed and we, of the committee, are delighted for more reasons than one. We are mighty proud of the product and most grateful to the many classmates who have written to express their thanks and congratulations. To give some credits, although Ducrot Pepys is mentioned on page 4, we did not specifically express our appreciation to R.C. **Grady** for his superb "The Indian Summer of Ducrot Pepys"; that was an unfortunate omission, for we all thoroughly enjoyed his masterpiece. John **Moses** was the organizer, the chairman, the pile-driver. He lived with the book night and day—and so did his lovely wife, Virginia. We have ordered for John a West Point crystal cocktail shaker and a silver pendant engraved to express the gratitude of the Class. The committee and principal assistants are listed on page 4 of the book; each performed a variety of special and tedious tasks—which we won't repeat here.

The statistics are rewarding: Of 417 living classmates, 318 responded and paid in full (approximately 76%). Additionally, five others sent $5.00 only; the money is being held, so should they decide to forward $10.00 each, we have ticketed that number to be held for the balance of their remittance. Sixteen individuals provided more than the prescribed amount—it is assumed these gentlemen were motivated by a sense of charity and a spirit of cooperation, so in the same spirit their excess of $95.00 is being forwarded to the Class Fund so that the entire Class may benefit. There are still 22 books remaining (five of which have a reservation on them for the balance due on full payment) for anyone who would still like to order a copy. So far a total of $602.53 has been turned over to the Class Fund from this project; there may be a small additional amount after everything is finalized. In his final comment Bob adds: "Speaking for the committee, it was a great honor and a great challenge to serve the Class. We enjoyed it and hope that the Class does likewise."

Jack **McGregor's** wife, Lois, passed away in January and was interred at Arlington National Cemetery. Many of the classmates here in Washington attended the services at Ft. Myer, and needless to say, all of us express our deepest sympathy to Jack and the children. Jack also thanks all the classmates for their many kindnesses during this bereavement.

Les and Betty **Hardy** have returned from Europe. Les is going on to Vietnam to command a Divarty, and Betty and the children will be at home at 4821 Kingston Drive, Annandale, Va. During Les' transit of Washington, he and I had lunch with Arch **Hill** and John **Hudson**. Arch and John are busily engaged in DCS/R&D Army and Personnel AFSC at Andrews, respectively. They both report their families in good shape.

Lee **Hogan**, Vern **Turner**, Bill **Moore** and I had lunch, and they also report everyone to be in fine shape. Joe **Walsh** is now Chief of Assignment at Hq TAC, Langley AFB. He and Syl came up for the party (1 March) and were house guests of the **Turners**. They both look great and are enjoying Langley immensely.

Happy 26th anniversary to all!!!

'44

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Well, the good news this time is printed in Air Force Blue: Bill **Fullilove**, Jeff **Cheadle**, and Lee **Smith** ran away with the honors for the class on the temporary Brigadier General list; Bob **Ginsburgh** tallied with a permanent star selection. Congratulations to all of you!

As you might expect, all these good things will result in some early moves. Per-

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1944: Doc Greaves (center) along with Leo McKern and Anthony Quinn in "Shoes of the Fisherman."

sonnel turbulence in the Chairman's office must be at an all-time high. Bob **Ginsburgh** has already relocated as Commander, Aerospace Studies Institute at Maxwell AFB. Phil **McAuliffe**, soon to pin on his star went to USARV in May as ADC of the Big Red ONE; Kathleen is remaining in Arlington for the duration. And Lee **Smith** is destined to move on before long. Meanwhile, Harry **Grace** has forsaken Ft. Sill and has joined the Chairman's Special Studies Group after a frantic call for help back in Jan. Harry and Pat have taken up residence in River House here in beautiful downtown Arlington.

Doc **Hayward** wrote from Fayetteville, where he was passing through en route from USARV to USAREUR—Seventh Army. Doc had returned from an extended RVN tour where he spent his last 7 months in command of the 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div. This seems to have afforded opportunities for unaccompanied visits to Hue, the A Shau Valley, the "Bowling Alley," and points north, all of which Doc now trades for an accompanied tour in Heidelberg. Doc and Margaret will have it all to themselves, with Alison now married and Roxanne and Carol students at UNC in Greensboro.

John **Eisenhower** continues to make the news with THE BITTER WOODS appearing on at least one best seller list in March and his appointment as Ambassador to Belgium in April. His good fortune was tempered in late March by the passing away of Gen. Eisenhower. At that time the Class sent the following message to Mrs. Eisenhower:

"Nearly twenty-five years ago, the Class of 1944 was honored by receiving, along with our diplomas, a special message of welcome into the ranks, of inspiration and of good luck from General Eisenhower. Over the years, he made 'The D-Day Class' feel a little bit special by remembering us on our anniversaries with additional messages of good cheer; and some of us came to know him personally.

"Thus we feel a great sense of personal loss at news of his passing. In your time of grief, please accept our expression of deepest sympathy. We hope that you count us among the many who share your loss.

"May our words of sympathy offer a measure of comfort to you at this time of great sorrow, even as General Eisenhower's thoughtful words of encouragement have been a constant source of inspiration to us. The Class of 1944, U.S.M.A."

Grey and Jean **Fitzpatrick**, too, will be all alone next year with their four sons, Bill, Mike, Jim, and John, away at school. Grey, who has been in the newspaper business since 1950, is editor and vice president of the Olean, N.Y., TIMES HERALD, and serves as president of the Olean Area Chamber of Commerce. In his newspaper job, Grey is busy building a new building and purchasing new printing equipment plus training his staff to operate a press they haven't seen as yet; in the Chamber of Commerce job he's busy rewriting the city's charter. Grey writes that Jean, Mike, and Jim are ski instructors at nearby Grosstal, and while the whole family are ski bums, he's looking forward to a fishing trip in Canada in Aug.

It would be anticlimactic for me to try to add to the accolades that the establishment tendered to Jerry **Capka** in these columns in the winter ASSEMBLY. Your Scribe had one paragraph and a photo planned for this issue; after perusing the 3-page spread and the half-dozen photos accompanying, I gave that the deep six. Jerry, the record speaks for itself; we're glad the folks at West Point appreciated you. Congrats and good luck in your new career.

Recent retiree Jim **Douglas** has, since October been the managing editor of CONSTRUCTION Magazine. Jim advises that, "for the non-engineer types, CONSTRUCTION is a bi-weekly which covers the construction industry of four states plus the D.C. It's quite old, and is part of an association of 14 such publications which cover the whole country. The pace is a whole heap different from the past 24-plus years, and I haven't found the least bit of trouble phasing down to it. Not completely content with all that, I got into teaching for the Fairfax County (Va.) Adult Education Program in the evenings. Last fall I had 4 high schools a week. This semester it's only 3. That thing I may cut down on when the next chance to rolls around, although it is fun."

Bill **Humma** writes from Giessen, Germany, where he commands the 42d Field Arty Gp, that Bob **Drake**, CO, 3d Bde, 3d Armd Div, is at nearby Friedberg; Rod **Lindell** is at HQ USAREUR; Robert **Marshall** and Bob **Selton** are in DCSLOG, HQ USAREUR; and Dick **Nalle** is at SHAPE. He reports Winston **Anderson** departed Germany for a new assignment in England this past summer, and Lynn **Lerch** departed in the fall of 68 for Washington.

On the other side of the world, Bo **Bottomly** wrote from Tan Son Nhut, in Saigon, where he was finishing up a year's tour as DSCPlans, 7th AF. This had followed a year at Bien Hoa as Commander of the Combat Dragon Task Force conducting the successful combat evaluation of the A-37 aircraft. Bo claims that he managed to escape the desk and to fly with tactical units frequently. He came home in April for a one-month refresher in the F-105 and then returned to SEA as CO, 355th Tactical Fighter Wing at Takhli, Thailand. Son Roc graduated from USAFA this June, and Betsy and the rest of the family are in Arlington, Va. USAFA reported to your Scribe earlier that "Cadet **Bottomly** has made an outstanding record at the Academy. He has a 3.99 cumulative grade point average out of a possible 4.0. He is in our cooperative M.A. degree program that leads to a B.S. in Astronautics at the Academy on 4 June 1969. With continued study after graduation, he will earn a Master's degree in six months." Bo reports that Fred **Porter** is Chief of Operational Intelligence, 7th AF; Dave **Fitton** is Director of Personnel with the Air Force Advisory Group working with the VNAF; and that Eddie **Stahl** had just left for a new assignment at Travis AFB. In early Feb, Bo visited Hawaii where Bill **Fairbrother** was completing a tour at PACOM as Chief of Military Assistance for all Asia, and John **Susott** was just beginning his Hawaiian tour as Director of Programs in PACAF.

From Segovia, Spain, where he's on location playing the part of an unidentified colonel on Patton's staff in the 20th Century Fox film "Patton," Doc **Greaves** brought me up to date on his new career in the flicks. After retiring in 1965, Doc moved to Naples as a representative of an investment company; thence to Rome in 1966. It was there that his thespian talents, displayed in roles as an American tourist in Rome, resulted in his sudden and startling promotion from married Protestant lieutenant colonel (Ret) to celibate Catholic lieutenant general of the Roman Church, the junior one of the 58 cardinals in "Shoes of the Fisherman." In addition to his priestly garments, Doc wears a flesh colored band-aid to conceal his wedding band which is too small to remove. His one line, delivered during the balloting scene, wound up on the cutting room floor. Meantime, Doc continues his investment business, writes (see his article on Machiavelli in the May MILITARY REVIEW) and pursues his hobbies of archaeological and historical research. Doc and Jean suffered the loss of their eldest, Mike, in Naples in December 1965; Jim is attending Grinnell College, Iowa; and Steve and Jean have been holding the fort in Rome while Doc was away on location.

Charles **Daniel**, Vice President, The First National Bank of Washington, reports to me that he's encountered no traumas in civilian life or in banking that could not be overcome. I gather that the gals in downtown Washington are a lot more fetching than the Montagnard women who frequented his last place of business. Charles, now well along in his 1st year in his 2d career, says "Come on in, the water's fine." He reports that Tom **Phillips** is the hottest stockbroker on Conn. Avenue. Tom and Henry **Aurand** (who drops in from Burbank where he's with Lockheed Aviation) are frequent visitors.

Bob **Day** writes from Portsmouth, R.I., where he is coordinator of grant programs for the local school department and also in the real estate business. In this latter involvement, Bob deals in historic houses and small estates. Marge is teaching the mentally retarded in the local school system. Gregg **Glick**, Air Force Advisor at the Naval War College in Newport, is a near neighbor.

Jim **Cumberpatch** wrote from Palos Verdes Peninsula, Calif. He's currently Asst Mgr of Advanced Propulsion Engines, Air Research Manufacturing Company and is hard at work developing the ATF3 Turbofan engine which will go in North American's advanced Sabreliner Jet Transport in 1971. Concurrently, he's developing and building NASA's Hypersonic Research Engine (HRE Scramjet).

Thirsty for a mint julep? Drop in on John Sanders at Southfield, No. 1 Austill Place, Mobile, Ala. John seems to be thriving in that clime; completed a beautiful "Southern" home a year ago; and, when not busy with Continental Motors Co., volunteers to stir up a tall one for anyone passing thru.

Ed **Millington** reports a change of address in late Feb from his DSCLOG job at HQ, Fifth Army to Ft. Bragg where he's now the Manager of Industrial Operations/Post G4.

A speaking engagement in Houston, Tex., in late March gave your Scribe an opportunity to sample the bed and board at Jim and Mary Gene **Giles'** place (Four Star). Jim's position as Director of Material with Mission Manufacturing Company, turning out oil

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field equipment leaves time for tennis, hunting, and jogging. I can report the life in the 2d largest state seems to agree with them both, and Jim looks like he could still wear his plebe skins.

A note from ARMSH/MAAG Iran brought news of Armond **DiSilvio**. Di departed a JCS assignment in Aug 68 for an unaccompanied tour in the western half of Iran. Son Richard hopes to leave the family nest in Falls Church in July and join the Long Gray Line. Di is looking forward to a return to the Washington area this summer.

Jim **Scoggin** traded Army Green in Aug 68 for the mortar board and robes of assoc prof of electrical engineering at the Citadel. Jim thus shares with Jim **Adamson**, who's the PMS and Commandant of Cadets there in Charleston, the honor of representing the Class in those halls of academe.

Latest head count reveals that 2 sons graduated from service academies in June: Roc **Bottomly** from USAFA and Jim **Nelson** from USMA.

Late news from the West Point Scene: E.W. **Gregory** II (Greg) dropped by the Post several weeks ago. He's now with the Aircraft Engine Group of General Electric and hangs his hat in the vicinity of West Lynn, Mass.

Larkin **Tully** flew back for one day to attend the funeral of his first cousin. He's in the Tng Div at Fourth Army Hq at Ft. Sam Houston, and reports that Norma and the kids are all doing great in the warm Texas climate.

Plebe-Parent Weekend (21-23 March) brought the **Scotts**, **Cutronas**, **Sullivans** (less John), and **Stasers** up to see Plebe sons.

Many thanks to those who've been good enough to keep the postal department busy. Plan now to report your happenings and summer galas, and send photos.

'45

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Once again, the gloom period has befallen us. And true to form, class pens, pencils, and typewriters are silent. To put it bluntly, Box 45 isn't exactly like the Picadilly Hotel on a football weekend!

Believe it or not: In the fall of 1946, I can remember participating in pre-game activities in Munich with Bob **Bartron** and others on the eve and early morning before he was to play in an important football game against Erding AFB or the like. I can also recall sitting in the stands, exhausted and with hangover, watching this great athlete play his heart out for old Munich Rheim until he was helped off the field time and again for oxygen and more "refreshments."

1945: Ted Fite adds a Bronze Star.

1945: John Pauly receives his LM from Maj. Gen. McLaughlin, CG, 834th Air Div.

Twenty-three years later, Bob has again demonstrated his never-say-die spirit. On 8 January 1969, he and his marital teammate, Carole, became proud parents, and displaced the Barney **Broughtons** as the last to become same, when Charles Robert Archer **Barton** (their first child) arrived on the scene. Many, many congratulations!! Bob, after 5 or so years with the NATO Military Agency for Standardization in London, has retired and now lives outside of London at Glendale, Hatch Lane, Liss Hampshire, England. I understand that he plays a lot of golf and works for a sporting goods concern.

Annual George Washington's Birthday Brunch: This year's brunch was held at Ft. Myer, Va. 64 couples, 7 wives w/o husbands, 4 unaccompanied classmates and one guest—140 people—attended this year's bash: Peggy **Amos**; Hap and Jane **Argo**; Bud and Fran **Avery**; Les and Audrey **Ayers**; Jake and Faye **Bennet** w/guest; George and Barbara **Benson**; Al and Wayne **Blue**; Paul and Brookes **Braucher**; Bob and Alice **Burgess**; Pat and Vera **Callahan**; David and Kathleen **Clymer**; Bill and Gloria **Craig**; Dick and Pat **Crane**; Lynn and Pat **Cummings**; Tom and Peggy **Curtis**; Ernie and El **Denz**; Tom **Devlin** (visiting, as usual, from Seattle); George and Katy **Dexter**; Bob and Gaye **Dingeman**; Paddy and Margie **Driscoll**; Bob and Anne **Duvall**; Ward and Peg **Dworshak**; Fitz and Pat **Fitzpatrick**; Bill and Dodie **Greene**; Dick and Pat **Groves**; Ed and Dot **Gudgel**; Barbara **Guthrie**; Rich and Peggy **Haley**; Bob and Bunny **Hall**; Buster and Sugar **Hayden**; Rusty and Nan **Heilbronner**; Jim and Shirley **Heyman**; George and Skip **Hoge**; Bob and Gene **Ives**; Walt and Leslie **Jagiello**; Bernie and Jean **Johnsrud**; Bill and Lois **Jones**; Bart and Bryan **Kerr**; Al **Knight**; Bob and Janis **Krebs** (from Carlisle Barracks); Karl **Liewer**; Bill and Miriam **Love**; Hap and Mary Jane **Macintire**; Nancy **Mackinnon**; Frank and Shirleigh **Marvin**; Mary **McChrystal**; Mac and Rachel **McDaniel**; Bill and Martha **McMurray**; Jock and Rosanne **McQuarrie**; Mink and Squeak **Minckler**; Hal and Julie **Moore**; Nancy **Munson**; Bill and Virginia **Norris**; Jim and Pat **O'Brien**; Bill and Betty **Ochs**; Tony and Anne **Parrish**; Frank **Pavia**; John and Kitty **Powers**; Randy and Barbara **Pratt**; Ward and Shorty **Protsman**; Walt and Dot **Root**; Jane **Salter**; Ed and Shirl **Saxby**; George and Dodie **Smith**; Henry and Virginia **Stick**; Bill and Nancy **Taylor**; Bob and Mary **Velie**; George and Beverly **Wallace**; Jim and Lois **Wayne**; Bob and Lois **Webster**; Jim and Kay **Williams**; Wally and Ginger **Wittwer**; Bill and Sally **Wolfe**; Petey **Woolley**; Aus and Alice **Yerks**.

Founders Day: Here in the pulse of the nation, four of us—Arch **Arnold**, George **Daoust**, Buster **Hayden**, and Jim **O'Brien** held the fort for '45. Gen. Westmoreland and the First Captain, USCC were the principal speakers. It was great seeing ARMY lick Navy again . . . and again!!

At Ft. Lewis, Wash., Tom **Devlin** reports that the Class of '45 had the largest group in attendance. Bill **Daugherty**, Tom **Devlin**, Don **Lunney**, Dick **McConnell**, Jim **Patchell**, Clair **Whitney**, and Bill **Zook** added dignity to that get-together.

Vietnam Commands: At the risk of leaving someone out (if I do, WRITE and tell me about it!), I would like to list the classmates who now have command positions in Vietnam: 1st Inf Div: C/S—John **Carley**; CO, 1st Bde—Orv **Post**. 1st Cav Div: C/S Bob **Mackinnon**; Div Arty.—Jim **Munson**. 4th Inf Div: C/S Herb **McChrystal**; Spt Comd—Joe **McCarthy**. 9th Inf Div: C/S—Jim **Hunt**; 3d Bde—Barney **Broughton**. 23d Inf Div: Div Arty—Larry **Jones** (due home in March). 937th Engr Gp—Bill **Kratz**. 5th ARVN Div Advisor—Dave **Fink**.

Sons of '45 at USMA: In 1968, five sons of '45 were graduated from West Point. Don **Fowler** reports that we now have 30 more standing in line. Their names and the branch selections of the '69 group are as follows:

Class of 1969 (6): Michael G. **Smith**, Inf (**Smith**, R.P.); Robert J. **St. Onge**, Inf (**St. Onge**, R.J.); William B. **Taylor**, Inf (**Taylor**, W.B.); Lucian **Truscott**, MPC w/Inf detail initially (**Truscott** L.K. III); Austin J. **Yerks**, Inf (**Yerks** A.J. Jr.); William E. **Zook** Jr., ADA (Glory, Glory Col. **Hayden**!) (**Zook** W.E.).

Class of 1970 (7): James D. **Byrd** (**Byrd** L.C.), William S. **Day** (**Day** S.A.), John M. **Forbes** (**Forbes** J.M.), Charles **Gandy** (**Gandy** C.L.), Frederick **Goeth** (**Goeth** F.C.), Thomas B. **Maertens** (**Maertens** T.B.), Jeffrey R. **Troxell** (**Troxell** G.H.).

Class of 1971 (7): 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.).

Class of 1972 (10): Thomas H. **Curtis** Jr. (**Curtis** T.H.), Kevin J. **Fitzpatrick** (**Fitzpatrick** T.E. Jr.), John R. **Gatlin** (**Gatlin** J.C. Jr.), James F. **Holcomb** Jr. (**Holcomb** J.F.), Christopher **Kane** (**Kane** F.B. Jr.), Kurt L. **Kratz** (**Kratz** W.G.), Robert G. **Marvin** (**Marvin** F.F.), Claude M. **McQuarrie** III (**McQuarrie** C.M. Jr.), James M. **Tanner** (**Tanner** J.B.), John R. **Wood** (**Wood** W.C. Jr.).

Princess Carol Nacy!! Carol Nacy, very beautiful and talented daughter of Bud and Eleanor Nacy, has been selected as the host princess (she will represent Washington, D.C.) for this year's Cherry Blossom Festival in the Nation's Capitol. Following the Festival, Carol will make a complete tour of Europe, return in the middle of May in time for her semester finals at Catholic University, and then in June, begin a tour of the United States, Mexico, and Canada. During most of this time, Carol will be carrying 25 hours of pre-med in her junior year at Catholic U.!! A chip off the old block??

Odds and Ends: Tom **Maertens** has completed a 16-month tour at Ft. Benning (Dir of Company Opns Dept) and has moved to Ft. Jackson, S.C. On 31 Jan, he took command of the 4th CST Bde from Bill **Ochs** who moves to join Arch **Arnold** in the Special Studies Group of the JCS in the Pentagon. Tom reports other Benning news: Andy **Gatsis** will leave soon for a Bde in the 9th Inf Div in Vietnam; Jack **Boettcher** is Chief of the Office of Doctrine and Train-

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ing Literature; Ralph **Hinman** manages the Scientific Cleaners in Columbus; John and Sara **Fletcher** have recently moved to Columbus where John dabbles in the securities business; and Bob and Nancy **Mackinnon** are due to arrive at Ft. Benning sometime in May or June.

Speaking of Ft. Jackson, Ed **Saxby** left ACSI in Feb and took command of the 1st Bde there. Shirl and the kids will stay in the Wash., D.C. area until all school commitments are completed. Chris **Saxby** will attend Radford College, Va., next year.

John **Holdridge** has been elevated from Dep Dir to Dir of the Office of Research and Analysis for East Asia and Pacific (REA). John has been active recently. He addressed the World Affairs Conference in San Diego, Calif., and the World Affairs Council of the San Francisco Bay Area on the Cultural Revolution in Communist China. He lectured at a meeting of the World Affairs Council of the Pittsburgh Area, sponsored by the Georgetown University's Center for Strategic Studies. And he participated in the Norfolk Regional Foreign Policy Conferences, co-sponsored by the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce and 3 colleges in the Norfolk area.

Chet **Braun** is a VP of McConnell Aircraft Co. in St. Louis, Mo. On a vacation trip to Puerto Rico, Les **Ayers** saw Joe **Carrion.** Les reports that Joe manages Puerto Rico's largest banking establishment from the third floor of the new San Juan skyscraper built by the Banco Popular de Puerto Rico.

Axel **Briggs** has been named president of Alger-Sullivan Co., a subsidiary of Jim Walter Corporation. He joined the company in 1957 and was formerly executive vice president of the firm. Some other credits—Axel is a member of the Pensacola and Tri-City Chambers of Commerce, and is a director of the Southern Pine Association, Alabama Forest Products Association, state and area TB Associations, Pensacola United Fund, Florida First National Bank in Pensacola, and the Pensacola Port Authority.

And in case you haven't seen or heard of some recent orders: Ed **Rafalko** is moving from Castle AFB, Calif. to become the Vice Commander, 4258th Strategic Aerospace Wing at U-Tapao Airfield, Thailand. Don **Bissell** departed the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency in Feb to become Dep Dir, Personnel Data Systems, 1105 Mil Per Gp, Randolph AFB, Tex. Bates **Burnell** is back from VN and reports to the Army Engr Div Huntsville, Ala. Barney **Wichlep** finished his VN tour and reports to USATC, Ft. Polk, La. Zoot **Johnson** is headed back to VN to become C/S, IFFV. Tom **Musgrave** is leaving J5, OJCS, to take command of the 21st Sig Gp at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. Jim **Maris** wraps up his tour at Sandia Base and Bill **Holcombe** ends his at the USAWC, Carlisle Bks—both head for USAREUR and Seventh Army. Jim **Gilland** departs OCE to become Dep Div Engr, North Central Division, Chicago. Chuck **Curtis** is moving from VN to Ft. Carson, Colo. Orv **Post** will return from VN this summer to handle public affairs for the Dir, Joint Staff. Al **Neville** departs TAC for the 8th TAC ftr wg, Ubon airfield, Thailand. George **Dexter** is leaving the Pentagon this summer to command the 8th S/F Gp in Panama. Mick **McMurdo** (Thailand) and Faye **Worthington** (Europe) are moving to APO SF 96222 and 96375 respectively—wherever they are! Bob **Guthrie** is headed for Ft. Benning from Korea. Herb **McChrystal** is coming back to the Pentagon from VN. And finally, Hutch **Hutcheson** is leaving the Philippines and will move to Ft. Campbell, Ky.

Awards and Decorations: Marty **Brewer** received the U.S. Joint Service Commendation Medal at Kirtland AFB, N. Mex. for his meritorious service with Joint Task Force Two at Sandia Base, N. Mex.

Ted **Fite** (see picture) was decorated with the BSM at Maxwell AFB, Ala., for meritorious service while performing as Chief of the Training Division with an Air Force Advisory Group, Vietnam.

John **Pauly** (see picture) received the LM in ceremonies at Phan Rang AB, Vietnam, for his outstanding service as Dpty Chief of Staff for Opns, 315th Air Division, Tachikawa AB, Japan. He now commands the 315th Special Operations Wing at Phan Rang.

Memorial Fund: In the last 3 years the class Memorial Fund has made 11 interest-free loans (and 1 grant) as scholarship aid to children of members of the Class. A letter with a check to repay one of the loans was received by the Secretary and made all the effort of setting up and administering the Fund seem worthwhile. With names deleted, the letter is partially quoted for your information:

"S..... was very fortunate in getting accepted at ..... College. He used the loan to pay tuition and buy some books. Later on he received a ..... State scholarship, and it paid his tuition back and will continue to pay tuition costs from now on. He has made good grades this first semester. We decided with him working in the summertime, we can swing most of the costs—since someone else may need the money in the near future, we decided to repay it now.

"It gave us the security we needed while he was applying to various colleges. He was so sure he couldn't make ..... but he has so we couldn't be more proud of him."

There may be other young people who need a temporary financial lift toward higher education or special schooling. Write to the Memorial Fund at Box 45, Ft. Myer, for application forms.

In Conclusion: Start those letters and pictures coming in—keep smiling!!

'46

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No. 90. The intoxicating news has finally arrived—approximately 22½ years after graduation, we can proudly salute our first general officers!! The following classmates in the Air Force have been appointed temporary BGs: William J. **Evans**, Benjamin N. **Bellis**, Salvador E. **Felices**, Lew **Allen** Jr, **Martin** G. **Colladay** and James D. **Hughes.** To these men our fondest congratulations, and may they be followed by many more!

1946: Brigadier General J. W. Baska, U. S. Air Force Director of Inspections presents DFC and Bronze Star to Louis Creveling at Norton AFB.

1946: Jack Hoefling in Vietnam.

From Jesse **Fields**, our Washington correspondent, I have received some interesting information concerning some of the problems encountered by the class officers there. They have been meeting regularly and have been working on a follow-up effort to raise funds for the Class Memorial. They apparently have run into some problems which include sending follow-up letters to those who have already contributed. For this they are sorry. The problem seems also to center around a fully up-to-date address file. They have been working with the Association

1946: John F. (Jack) Green, former head football coach of Vanderbilt University, has joined the Industrial Relations Dept of Avco's Aerostructures Division, Nashville, Tennessee in the newly created position of Manager, Employee Relations, with responsibilities for coordinating the Division's expanded employee activities program.

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of Graduates to have such a file, both in Washington and at West Point. The plea is for all members of the Class to keep the Association informed of their whereabouts, so all may contact a particular classmate through that office. In this matter I concur and urge all members to let the Association know their addresses. Frankly, I gave up long ago trying to keep such a list.

Response to the Memorial Fund drive, as of 21 Jan 69, has produced from 407 classmates—$4,642.10. The fund is invested in a mutual security, and growing. The immediate purpose is for a Class Memorial to be dedicated on our 25th Reunion—only 2 years from now! The class committee expects that a firm recommendation for the memorial will be forthcoming this spring 1969. In the meantime, Dave **Colaw**, OIC for 25 year book, along with Phil **Farris** and Walt **Frankland**, co-editors, are busily working on preliminary details for the book.

To me it comes as a surprise to hear that Jack **Green** is not now coaching a college football team, but it is a fact. Last Feb Jack joined the Industrial Relations staff of AVCO's Aerostructures Division, Nashville, Tenn., in the newly created position of Manager of Employee Relations. Jack returns to Nashville after holding coach positions at Baylor and the U. of Kans., since resigning his post as head coach at Vanderbilt at the end of the '66 season. He will be responsible for coordinating the Division's expanded employee activities program and planned plant-wide recreational program. The **Greens**, wife Jeanne, and children David, 19, Nancy, 17, and Daniel, 13, are in the process of moving from Waco back to Nashville. We wish Jack great success in his new endeavor.

The sunny skies of Calif. are now shining on Lou and Ann **Creveling**. Lou is currently in Flight Safety Div, Air Force Inspector General's Office, Norton AFB. Roger **Lengnick** and Randy **Adams** left the IG just before Lou arrived in the summer of '68. Lou had previously been at DaNang, Vietnam, where he flew 100 missions over North Vietnam in the F-4 Phantom. He received his second DFC and a Bronze Star for his tour in Vietnam. While at DaNang, Lou was with Dick **Kellogg** (in the Military Airlift Command Post) and Chuck **Memminger** (AC-47 gunships). Both returned to the States in '68. Tom **Daye** was at Cam Ranh Bay in the munitions business. Lou and Ann's children are Marianne, 15, Phil, 12, and Harris, 10, all at home, at 6324 Arden Ave., San Bernardino. **Creveling** also wrote to let us know that Jim **Chatfield** is currently undergoing radiation therapy for lung cancer. Jim was assigned to IG's office at Norton prior to the start of his period of treatment and hoped for recuperation. The cancer was discovered during surgery on 13 Feb 69 at March AFB hospital. Jim's wife, Helen, has our prayers that the therapy will be successful in arresting his malignancy. The **Chatfields** are at home—1534 Margarita Drive, Redlands, Calif. 92373.

A Vietnam combat tour has been completed by Col. Bert **Stringer**, who was comdr of the 8th Tactical Bomb Sq at Phan Rang AB and flew B-57's. For his efforts he has been awarded a Silver Star, three DFC's, the Air Force Commendation Medal, and 18 Air Medals. His combat record qualified him for membership in the most exclusive flying club in Vietnam—The Centurion Club. The club is open only to air crew members credited with destroying 100 or more enemy trucks along the infiltration routes to South Vietnam. Bert was credited by forward air controllers with 109 trucks, as well as many other effective combat targets. **Stringer** is now with the Aeronautical Systems Div, Air Force Systems Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

Jack **Hoefling**, Commanding 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div, has received his 2d award of the Bronze Star for heroism in action against enemy forces in Vietnam, 17 Nov 1968. During the same ceremonies, he was also presented his 5th award of the Army Commendation Medal for heroism in combat. Jack, a colonel, has a Silver Star, Legion of Merit, DFC, and 7 Air Medals. Jack's use of his command and control helicopter, unhesitatingly, to aid his troops personally on the ground, or for close in pursuit, have earned him the 2d Bronze Star and 5th Commendation Medal. His wife, Patricia, awaits his return at 816 Gobin Dr, Carlisle, Pa.

Another Air Force officer back from Vietnam is **Phil Hopkins**. Phil is currently serving as director of tests and evaluation with USAF Tactical Air Warfare Ctr, Tactical Air Command, Eglin AFB, Fla. For action on 4 Mar 68, Phil has received a DFC. He distinguished himself by extraordinary achievement as a B-57 pilot when attacking a heavily defended truck convoy and destroying 3 trucks and causing numerous secondary explosions.

Back to Southeast Asia—we have news of a change in jobs for Andy **Atkinson**. He now is Dpty Cmdr of Opns for the 366th Tactical Fighter Wing at DaNang AB. Before volunteering for his assignment at DaNang, Andy, an F-4 aircraft commander and a colonel, with approximately 200 flying hours in the supersonic jet, served at 7th AF Hq at Tan Son Nhut AB. He and Shirley have two sons Randall, 20, and John, 16.

The Legion of Merit has been awarded to Ed **Harris**, an Air Force colonel. Now 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing Commander at Dyess AFB, Tex., Ed was recognized for his exemplary leadership and professionalism during his previous assignment at Ellsworth AFB, S.D. As the 28th Bomb Wing Cmdr from June 66 to Aug 68 he was credited with enhancing Strategic Air Command capability particularly while leading his B-52 unit overseas to support U.S. operations in Southeast Asia. In Jan 68 he deployed with the 28th for its second tour in Vietnam and flew 43 missions. Ed has been with SAC most of his 22-year career, having flown B-29's initially from Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. He has also seen duty in England, Africa, and Morocco. He also holds a Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, and Air Force Commendation Medal.

Bill **Temple**, Colonel, USAF, is now vice commander, 416th Bomb Wing, Griffiss AFB, Rome, N.Y. Bill had been at the Pentagon in the office of the Asst Secretary of Defense's manpower and reserve affairs. Bill has a law degree received in 1951 and a M.A. in international affairs in 1964, both from George Washington U. He joined SAC in 1958, and has flown B-47's. He attended the Air War College in 1963. The **Temples** have 5 sons, John, Michael, Scott, and twins David and Donald. David is in the Army, Donald in the Marines, while John is attending Indiana U., the same school his father attended prior to entering USMA.

Received a note from John M. **Bodley**, ex '46, who lives in Sacramento, Calif. (1384 Fitch Way). The REGISTER indicates he is a Lt. Col. USAR. He wrote to say his son, John R, entered USMA 25 years to the day after we appeared on the scene. He and Helen were at the Academy for Plebe Parent Weekend in March, along with their two "drag-aged" daughters. John had word from Ed **Van Deusen**, retired, who is teaching at Princeton State College, W. Va. and working for a Ph.D. Ed prefers being the grader rather than the graded.

Tidbits: **Yancey** scheduled for Vietnam by 7 Aug at Tuy Hoa. Joe **Buzhardt** gets his name in the paper concerning his job as general counsel for the Defense Dept. **Gran Rouillard**, a colonel in JAG, sat next to my mother (resident of Distaff Hall in Washington) while attending the 1969 MDW Valentine Ball at Officers' Club, Bolling AFB on 14 Feb.

'47

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The principal news continues to come mainly from the Washington area. On 15 Feb, the Class gathered in large numbers in the party room of Bob **McCord's** apartment building (but not his apartment!) for the winter get together. This was the largest turn-out in recent memory, 91 all told.

Among those who drifted in from out of town for the affair were Tom and Jackie **Hayes** and Kay and Jim **Johnson** from Phila. Mike and Mockie **Maloney** came down from Conn. Bill **Williams** came up from Williamsburg, Va.

Some of the new faces in the crowd were the Bill **Grants**, Jim **Cosgrove**, Don and Jean **Robb**. Don just arrived in the Washington area and is assigned with FAA. Jim is with IBM.

George and Hazel **Bland** were at the party. George had just been released on convalescent leave from Walter Reed where they were getting his leg back in shape. He'll join DSCOPS temporarily in late spring until he leaves for the Britain Imperial Defense College in Dec.

Others present from the Washington gang included: Merlin and Marge **Anderson**, Ann **Baer**, Hugh and Jean **Bartley**, Mike **Bellovin**, Pete and Betty **Boerger**, Tom and Ruth **Benson**, Bill **Carpenter**, Bill and Gerry **Coghill**, John and Sue **Cottongim**, Nancy **Cronin**, Patt **Duquemin**, Mike and Naoma **Fernandez**, Al and Bobbie **Geraci**, Elise **Haldane**, Dave and Pat **Haskin**, Dot and Wayne **Hauck**, Joe **Johnson**, K.C. and Jeanne **Kaericher**, Harry and Dixie **Kain**, G.G. and Dottie **Kent**, Bob and Margot **Koch**, Mel and Peg **LeBlanc**, John and Ann **Lerohl**, Dick and Doris **Littlestone**, George and Betty **Maloney**, Jim and Nancy **Mattern**, Bob and Nancy **McCord**, Bill and Dottie **McGee**, John and Janet **Miller**, Jack **Pearce**, Bill and Betty Lou **Reckmeyer**, Howie and Meg **Sargent**, Jack and Betty **Schuder**, Charlie **Shields**, Ike and Ruth **Snyder**, Sam **Starobin**, Bill and Doris **Sullivan**, Hal **Tavzel**, Frank and Sue **Taylor**, Muriel **Webb**, Jack and Teenie **Young**.

I understand Bob **Haldane** and Bill **Webb** exchanged commands in Vietnam around the first of the year. And in that spirit of togetherness, they are both being assigned to West Point this summer.

A news clipping from New Orleans reveals that William A. **Carpenter** was elected President of the Whitney National Bank in Feb. Hadn't heard of Bill for years.

Bernie **Gardner** is leaving the lush environs of West Point for duty with QM Depot in Philadelphia. He reports this summer and will live in Cherry Hill, N.J. Al **Haig** moved

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in Jan from Dpty Com of Cadets at W.P. to Washington where he is now Military Asst to Mr. Kissinger.

News of summer moves is coming in stronger. Bob **Baer** goes to ACSFOR after Vietnam. George **Lynn** goes to Picatinny Arsenal. (Incidentally, George Jr. will be the first Class son to graduate. That happens this June and the Class will honor him and the occasion with a suitable presentation.)

Merlin **Anderson** leaves the cozy confines of JCS for Vietnam this summer. He'll become Corps Engineer of XXIV Corps. Tom **Perkins** leaves AWC for duty as 2d Inf Arty Comdr in Korea, while Bing **Perry** goes to Thailand to take over the 44th Engr Constr Gp from Ken **Hatch**. Davy and family plan to accompany Bing to Thailand.

Information from Germany indicates Ron and Gwen **Heiser** will be moving within the country this June when Ron takes over a brigade near Fulda. Doc **Haskin** visited out Albuquerque way in late winter and got together with Paul and Joan **Curry**. Paul's with American Linen Supply Company.

Bill **Kuykendall** reported into WSEG in mid-March. Jack **Pearce** also arrived in Washington just after the first of the year. He's assigned to ARPA.

That does it for now. We're all looking for news from the outlands—particularly those who seem to have disappeared over the last few years. Drop us a card and reassure us.

'48

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Please note our new address. After 2 years of townhouse living, we longed to get back into an individual house. Several weekends of looking finally produced a house which we think is great: 4 bedrooms, with a sitting room with fireplace off the master bedroom; paneled and beamed ceiling family room with fireplace; the usual other rooms; plus a fine lot, heavily wooded, and backing on park land. And, the place has already appreciated 10% since we signed the sales contract in Sept. Well, enough of our doings for the moment.

A picture of Bob **Ward** receiving the Bronze Star for his outstanding meritorious service with the 25th Inf in Vietnam is solid proof that our classmate has changed little from that great day when he was exhorting the Corps to fever pitch with his homemade sign with the single word "soccer" on it. Col. E. C. Campbell, USACDC, presented the award. Since changing jobs I find that my sources of information are not functioning as they should. Hence, I just learned 5 minutes ago that Jim **Allen** was selected for Brig. Gen. in the Air Force, which event took place some weeks back. Very heartiest of congratulations, Jim, and the entire Class shares the honor with you.

Punk **Hartnell** wrote a very concise letter on his doings. Last Dec, while stationed in Hawaii, his appeals for retirement were finally heard by the powers here, and he received the happy news on Friday, the 13th. That date is now considered to be very propitious in the **Hartnell** household. Punk wrote from Denver, where they were staying with family, while he supervised the building of a new home in Lincoln, Ill. How he manages to perform this feat, I cannot say. I had enough trouble with my house, and it was less than 5 miles away. While at the

1948: Lt. Col. William H. Lynch receiving the LM at Los Angeles A. F. Station.

time of writing, he was classified by the Department of Labor as unemployed, he had yet to draw any government checks to help soften this condition. Punk had lunch with Phil **Whitney** and Sims **Dildy** at the Pearl Harbor Officers club the day of the ARMY-Navy game. Both are with CINCPAC. He also talked with Ray **Alfonso** one day, and she was hoping that Al would have orders to Hawaii. The matter was still unsettled when the **Hartnells** left for home.

Bill **Lynch** received the LM from Lt. Gen. J. W. O'Neill, commander of the Space and Missile Systems Organization, Los Angeles Air Force Station, for outstanding service as an aeronautical engineer in the R&D Division, Hq, USAF. Bill is now with Gen. O'Neill's command as chief of the Analysis Branch. Bill, Maryalice, Karen (19), Sheila (17), William (13), and John (11) are living at 18271 Foxglove Way, Irvine, Calif.

At one time I thought the military press release system somewhat fatuous. I appreciate it more as time passes, since I get news even if those whom it is about are too pressed to drop me a line. I know how it is, I have a hard time answering letters from you, too.

Jim **Muehlenweg** is presently director of personnel plans, Hq, ATC, Randolph AFB, but moves to Newport, R. I., for the Navy War College this summer. Betty will love it. Ken **Barber** is with Jim at Randolph, but as an operations staff officer. Carolyn, I'll wager, is keeping busy with the many base activities which go on there. The annual Feb class dinner held at Arlington Hall Station occurred in March this year. A fine turnout and a great time. And, it produced news for the column.

Yevette **Ruddell** Graham and husband Bill were present. Yes, she's as lovely as ever. Son Jim is at St. James' School in Md., and they live at Paradice Farm, Rt 1, Bel Air, Md., from whence Bill, now retired from the Air Force, commutes to his position with the Department of Transportation. While on that thought, let me report that John **Edwards** has moved to DOT with the Federal Highway Safety Agency as Director of Research and Program Synthesis, GS-17. Lou **Schalk** has been promoted to Director of the Aircraft Group, Washington Office, North American Rockwell. With Donn **Starry's** departure for Vietnam, Jim **Sandman** has moved up to Class president.

Jim and Bev **Hall** were down from Conn. for the dinner, and Jim told me that the property (condominium) they purchased in the Virgin Islands can be rented. So, classmates, if you want a place to stay in the Islands, contact him. Mary Virginia and Monk **Doty** were up from the South, and she is opening a gift shop called The Storehouse. A good place to do your Christmas shopping. The Lake **Churchills'** stay in Washington will be all too brief since they head for Carlisle and the War College this summer. Louise **Bratton** is now with White House, Realtors. Both those coming to and leaving Washington, please note.

Jim and Patsy **Blakeslee** give up the Army life on 31 July, and move to Mount Dora, Fla., 25 miles from Orlando, where Jim is going to start a business consulting firm. I wish him well, and offer my part time services in return for a little sunshine during the winter months. While I am not at liberty to reveal his name yet, since he hasn't decided for sure, one of our offspring has received an appointment to West Point. So, we may have another son there. Don and Frankie **Swenholt's** son enters USAFA this summer. They really have a spread-out family, the youngest being 9 months as of this writing (March). Tom and Jerry **Jones'** son, Tom, came out as Va. State champion in the long horse vault, a feat I find admirable. Every time I tried to vault the darn thing, I landed on the far end, which is what you are NOT to do.

Another little milestone has been reached. Don and Jeannette **Reynolds'** daughter and son-in-law have a 3 months' old baby. Are we ready to face grandparenthood yet? The **Seligs** are building a new house near their present one on Lake Barcroft. Pat can't wait to get started decorating it. Andy **Anderson** is due back from the Paris peace talks in June. He's really had a tour there. Dick and Dorothy **Miner** moved to Dayton this summer where he will be Dpty Dir of the AMSA Program. I mentioned the **Brattons** earlier. At the risk of setting up an intraclass rivalry, I wish to report that they are in the apple selling business along with the **Dorseys**. It seems that Joe has 6,000 trees in Wenatchee, Wash., and he'd love to take your order for some.

Lyle and Helen **Walter** are settled now, and he is with AMC as Chief of International Development. Donald Kirk of the Washington STAR made a trip to Vietnam, and who do you suppose he interviewed at some length at Fire Base Dolly? None other than Bn Cmdr Bob **Petersen** of the 1st Air Cav. I note that Bob has given his cruel surroundings a touch of home with the name. Al **Pabst** has been named to the Staff and Faculty of ICAF. Wally **Williams**, Jack **Kean**, and Phil **Day** all head for Vietnam. Ginny Day moves to some recently bought property in Colorado Springs (no, not the Broadmoor), to await Phil's return.

We all were sorry that the **Cushings** and **Webers**, having not yet recovered from their ARMY-Navy game get-together, couldn't make the dinner. Incidentally, I heard a story (true) a year ago and have been meaning to run it. One night Dick **Weber** was up after taps when he was accosted by the O.C. Getting his last name, the OC departed. However, the quill never came up, as Dick waited in vain for his name to appear. Later he was to learn that the OC had written up Ken **Weber** for the offense. Since Ken, too, had been up that night, even though he hadn't been caught, he couldn't b-ache it. So, he got Dick's quill. A classic in my books.

Besides those already mentioned, the following from the Air Force go to senior schooling: National War College — Mort **Mumma**, Art **Barondes**; ICAF — Jim **Sandman**, Mike **Tashjian**, Bob **Pomeroy**; Navy War College — Stew **Young**.

Since I might be allotted another line or two, I'll add a few more items about us. Son, Dennis, a freshman at William and Mary,

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recently was one of 5 pledged to SAE fraternity. Eloise changed from Hq, Cameron Station, to the Contract Negotiation Office, Defense Fuel Supply, DSA. And, through some friends' influence, we made the entire inaugural weekend. Friday, the Michigan State Society party with the Romneys, Homer Ferguson, Al Kaline and others in attendance; Saturday, Elly to the Distinguished Ladies' Reception where she met Mrs. Eisenhower and Mrs. Dirksen; Sunday, the Agnew reception (rather a fiasco); Monday, the Inauguration (saw Carl **Anderson** on our way into Capitol Plaza, and shook hands with 2 Medal of Honor winners seated near us); post-inaugural party at our congressman's office (all offices of House members were open and parties being held); and finally the Ball at the Smithsonian. How do people do this every 4 years? We drove 300 miles back and forth over the weekend.

Let's hear from you, and I hope you liked the 20-year book.

'49

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It's appropriate to begin this column with congratulations from the entire Class to Bob **Pursley**, soon to become the wearer of '49's first star. Bob also had the honor of being presented the DSM by the outgoing Secy of Defense, Clark Clifford (See photo). Current assignment as Military Assistant to Secy Laird gives Bob the distinction of performing this duty under the last three Secretaries of Defense beginning with Mr. McNamara.

The writer received a note from Betty **Sickafoose** and her four children expressing their thanks to the Class for its expression of sympathy at the time of Keith's death.

Another sad note recently was the word that Norm **Eaton** was shot down in SEA and is missing in action. Our hopes and prayers are with his family for his safe recovery.

1949: Bob Pursley (wife Phyllis) receiving DSM from Secy of Defense Clark Clifford.

Washington Area President Jack **Albert** is on the mend after losing his gall bladder in an emergency operation in Albuquerque in February.

Bob **Nulsen** sent down word from Carlisle where he, Bill **Rank**, Tiger **Howell**, Jerry **Schulz**, Bill **Lowrey**, Bill **Kennedy**, Pat **Vollmer**, and Bud **Strohecker** are students. Serving on the faculty at Carlisle are Dick **Morton**, Dick **Stauffer**, Joe **Muckerman**, and Craig **Betts**. Also Dick and Ev **Tallman** visited there on their way to West Point where Dick joins Ralph **Puckett** and Collier **Ross** as Regimental TACS, a clean sweep for '49.

Lee **Surut** passed on a few notes: Dick **Rumney** to NWC, Jack **Cronin** and Mike **Steger** to Naval War College, Tom **Crawford** and Joe **Henry** to Air War College, Jim **Coghlan** to Army War College, Dean **Balmer** back from Vietnam now assigned to Army Chief of Legislative Liaison. Doc **deCorrevont** is now a brigade commander in the Training Command at Ft. Sill and Dick **Gillespie** has left Sill for assignment in an Artillery group in Vietnam. Ed **Wilford** has departed Washington and is now living in Winter Park, Fla. Lee **Abele** has been assigned to the J3 section, UN Cmd in Korea. Dean **McCarron** is now with the USA Meteorology and Calibration Center at Redstone Arsenal.

Bob **Kemble** passed on a letter from John **Costa** at Hq MACV. **Costa** wrote about '49ers in Vietnam and others who have recently left there. Bob **Gilroy** is now at DSA Depot in Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Turner **Croonquist** is at Hq 6th Army at the Presidio; Randy **Council** is PMS at Ohio State U.; Joe **Pospisil** is heading for Elgin AFB; Jack **Gillette** and Doug **Weart** are flying out of Tan Son Nhut. Lee **McCrary** is in J3, Hq MACV; Stu **Spragins** is at Hq 7th AF; Joe **Kingston** is CO 1st Bde 1st Cav; Gene **Marder** is G3, Hq XXIV Corps; Dick **Bundy** is J3, Hq, MACV; Jack **Hodes** is Senior Advisor 22d ARVN; Curly **Lindeman** is at Bien Hoa; John **Chandler** is Senior Engr Advisor, Hq MACV; Joe **Hickey** is a Bn Comdr, 4th Inf; Bob **Black** and Bob **Andreen** are at Hq USARV at Long Binh; Al **Hale** is CO Task Force South at Dalat; John **Yepsen** J4 MACV; Bill **Hoffmann** J3 MACV; Stan **Bush** SOG Saigon; Huck **Long**, Bde Comdr 1st Div; Clay **Moran** G1, Hq USARV; Pete **Palmer** advisory position; Roland **Peixotto** advisor at Tay Ninh (recently injured in a copter crash, but is making a good recovery); and John **Rasmussen** advisor in the Delta area. Joe **Tye** and John **Costa** are both planners at MACV Hq.

Mike **McNamee** sent along a roster of '49ers in the LA area. Frank **Brock** is now living in Newport Beach; Dave **Arnold** is assigned to Rand Corp; Bob **Braun** and Mike are both with Autonetics; Phil **Feir** is assigned at SAMSO; Al **Goering** is with Precision Coil Spring Co. in El Monte; Dick **Henry** was at George AFB, but will be in Vietnam by the time you read this column; Paul **Hinckley** is with Litton in Woodland Hills; Dan **McGurk** is a VP with Scientific Data Systems; Bill **Ross** is at SAMSO; Jack **Ryan** is with Interpace; Joe **Sencay** is living in Ventura; Bill **Shiel** recently retired and intends to enter the banking field in either LA or Phoenix; Don **Swanke** is living in Yorba Linda; Jack **Trautvetter** is with Electro-Optical Systems in Pasadena; Jack **Whitmarsh** is living in Long Beach; Arnold **Winter** is in Encino; and Jack **Wallace** is also stationed at SAMSO.

New arrivals in the Washington area are Basil **Pafe** and Bill **Schlosser** both back from VN and assigned to Force Structure Planning at Hq USAF. Ray **Moss** is also back from VN assigned to Hq AFSC. A '49 Party was held on 18 Jan at Andrews AFB with 109 attendees. Out of towners included Ted and Audrey **Wagner**, Chappaqua, N.Y., and Joe and Penny **St. Clair** now in Philadelphia. On 1 Mar, a hardy group of some 40 Washington '49ers, wives, and children trekked down to Annapolis in the snow to cheer on ARMY's basketball win and topped off the day with a steak and champagne dinner. Walt and Priscilla **Milliken** chaired the affair which included Frank and Patty **Barnes**, Pat and Jane **Donohoe**, Jim and Jane **Rawers**, Frank and Betty **Hinchion**, George and Jean **Hoffmaster**, Lee and Trudy **Surut**, John **Poulson**, Charlie and Jane **Anderson**, Gene and Ann **Mechling**, Bill **Bumpus**, and Web and Betty **Ivy**.

Everyone will be happy to hear that Bob **Liichow** is back in circulation. Bob will soon receive his retirement and will live and work in the Washington area.

A news release out of San Francisco indicates that Bob **Stender** is now president and chief executive officer of Taxon Corp., a communications oriented, computer based systems operation.

George **Wentsch** is now chief of F-105 combat operations at Takhli Royal Thai AFB in Thailand.

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Help! We need news in the worst way. Thanks to the Christmas cards, we had a good bit of info for the last issue, but now it's a whole new ball game. Come on, you guys; break down, and tell me where you are, and who you've seen. Particularly this next year, this column needs you. I'm going to Vietnam in July, and as we did last time, Robin and I will be passing material back and forth. Just continue to use the address above, and that will be great.

While Frank **Borman's** greatest trip may have been to the moon, his latest one to Europe must be a close second. I'm sure to Sue and the boys that it is probably first. From the newspaper accounts they really got the grand tour.

Jack **Murphy** has been busy. After winning his reelection to Congress last Nov, he was one of the honored guests at the XX SCUSA in Dec. Then in Mar, Jack announced his candidacy for Mayor of New York City. He faces a big battle then, I'm sure, but we'll all be rooting him on. Best of luck this fall, Jack!

We got word that Dave **Meredith** was wounded 23 Feb in one leg, with bones broken both above and below the knee, so he will be in the hospital for some months. He's been on Okinawa these past weeks, and the day after he was admitted, Jack **Roehm** became a patient in the next bed, also wounded in the Tet offensive—also in one leg. At this writing, Dave is due to arrive at

1950: Pat Tisdale receiving the LM at Fort Leavenworth.

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1950: Dinner After The ARMY-Navy Game. Front row, left to right: Kelly Veley, Len Garrett, Judy Garrett, Laurie Eek. Second row, kneeling: Sid Steele, Dick Hunt, Bob Groseclose, Bill DeGraf, Mike Dowe. Others behind: Phil Harper, Betty Jane Veley, Jeanie Steele, Herb Underwood, Mary Anne Read, Robin DeGraf, Mary Pharr Love, Florence Underwood, Gwyn Groseclose, Doris Byers, Marilyn Hunt, Jack Allen, Nancy Smith and Jan Dowe.

DeWitt Army Hospital at Belvoir on 24 Mar, but I have no news on where Jack will be going. Anne Byrd said Dave wrote that they wheeled him to the Founders Day dinner; he had a great time, with generals waiting on him hand and foot!

After much soul-searching, the Class Standing Committee here in Washington has decided to have the 20th Reunion at Homecoming in 1970, rather than during June Week of that year. We looked at many pros and cons, but the advantages of being the senior reunion class at Homecoming (such as getting space at the Thayer and having first call on the Mess) rather than being the junior class at June week, seemed overwhelming. Moreover, with the expansion of the Corps, all alumnae activities are discouraged after Sunday afternoon, so much of the flavor of June Week would be lost. Then, too, a number of us will have youngsters graduating from high school about that same time, which might interfere. We have tested the idea out on a number of people, including the group at Carlisle, and have gotten such favorable reactions to the Homecoming Weekend, that this is to let you know what is planned.

Lou **Genuarie** has taken on the job of putting out a 20-year book, so he will be asking for pictures and biographies before long. It is a big job, so please, when he asks, send the poop as soon as you can. We had so many blanks in our 10-50 book, and we're hoping that won't happen this time.

Bess **Banister** wrote in Feb about the W.P. Society of Los Angeles Military Ball, where she and Grady saw the Bill **Stewarts**, Hal **Stricklands**, and Phil and Sandy **Bardos**. Bill **Waddell's** dad, Col. James **Waddell** '14 was the oldest grad there—in years maybe, but not in spirit. Pat **Zabel** was on the Planning Committee for Founders Day out there. Bess wrote again in Mar after that affair and said Phil **Bardos** was elected President of the W.P. Society of L.A. John **Irwin**, Bill **Waddell** and Joe **Shankle** were also there, along with Grady. Bess wrote in detail about the devastation from the rains, the mud slides and how fortunate they were to have escaped with only minor damage—"and we still love our California!" Bettie **Crawford** visited the **Banisters** in Mar, on her way to see Al in Hawaii on R&R.

Bette **Bell** writes that Hawaii is a beautiful place to be for that year of separation. She and Trudy **Kuckhahn** sail together, and it sounds like an ideal place to be.

Newcomers to D.C. since the last ASSEMBLY: **Baxleys, Birks, Byerses, Clements,** Bob and Carolyn **Hughes, Roaches, Scandlings** (again), **Scotts**, the Frank **Whites**, and the **Whitings**.

We have quite a crew in Vietnam, as you all know. Here's the news I've received since the last issue: Leo **Wegner** is with MACV Hq; Don **Sampson** has an Arty Bn with the 4th Div; Ray **Singer** has the 1st Bn, 501st Abn Inf of the 101st Abn Div; Phil **Bolte** has the 1st Sqdn of the 1st Cav; Lou **Rising** is an advisor with III Corps; Frank **Henning** has 1/503d Abn Inf; Dean **Schnoor** has 4/503d Abn Inf; Hawk **Chapman** has 1st Bn 20th Inf; Carm **Milia** has the 1/77th Armor (and will be home by the time this arrives); George **Bell** is with the 21st TASS; Bill **Curry** is at Da Nang; Dud **Fischer** is with the 1st Log Command; Lee **Romaneski** now has the 168th Engr Combat Bn; Art **Shemwell** is over there, but I don't know his assignment; Sandy **Oliver** will be an advisor in Apr; Ray **Maladowitz** had the 2d Bn of the 5th Cav, and is now Dep CO of the 1st Bde with the 1st Cav—he'll be back in June, and will then go to Carlisle in the fall; Hank **Singleton** had a week's break from his Bn with the 198th LIB of the American Div and went to Australia; Jack **Mackmull** said that he and Sam **Smithers** and John **Goldsmith** were the '50 representatives at the Founders Day dinner at Can Tho—Jack piloted Sec Def Laird when he was over there in Mar.

Thought you might be interested in some info on Pat **Tisdale** who is at Leavenworth with several others from '50. Many of you know that Pat is a student there, but you may not know he is one of the **doctors** in the course. Pat received his M.D. degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine in 1958. Recently, Pat received the Legion of Merit for meritorious service during his last assignment as CO of the 1st Inf Div's 1st Med Bn near Di An, Vietnam. And while we're on the subject of awards, Bob **Morrison** also received the LOM for his work in Plans Directorate in ODSCOPS; Lloyd **Mielenz** was awarded the U. S. Joint Service Commendation Medal at Ent AFB in Jan (Lloyd is now in Heidelberg) and Phil **Bolte** received an OLC to the Silver Star he had (in March). Great!

Assignments from the War College have been given out. Some of them are tentative, but most of them should be pretty firm. Since this will arrive about June, you'll have an idea of people's new jobs just as they're about to begin them. From National: Volney **Warner** will be a Bde Comdr in VN; Jack **Palmer** goes to J5 Joint Staff at the Pentagon; Jack **Kulpa** goes to Dayton to be Director of the Avonics Lab there; Jim **Kelly** will stay on the Faculty at NWC. From ICAF: Andy **Pick**, that dedicated Engineer, will have a Bn at the INFANTRY school; Russ **Glenn** will have a Bn in VN; Stan **Fye** will be the 108th Arty GP XO; Chuck **Watters** goes to VN; Jim **Boylan** will be with OSD; Bob **Shade** is assigned to OPO, Chief of the Chemical Branch. From Carlisle; Jim **Barnes** to OSD; Don **Creuziger** to OJCS; Ralph **Detherow** to ODCSOPS; Jim **Donovan** will have a Bn in VN; Claude **Doughtie** goes to MACV; Jay **Durst** to DCSPER Review Board; Laurie **Eek** to Hq EUSA, Korea; Pete **Farrell** to ODDR&E, Pentagon; Bill **Gearan** to Asst Vice Chief's Office; Dick **Hunt** to OCE, Larry **Jackley** to USA Elm Southern Command; Ed **Kennedy** to MACV; **Emmett Lee** to Office of the Engineer, Heidelberg; Joe **Love** to R&D, Pentagon; Jim **Lynch** will have a Bn in VN; Chuck **Means** to ACTIV; Jack **Parish** to the CZ; Bill **Read** to DCSPER Review Board; Sib **Sibbles** to US Army CDEC at Ft. Ord, Calif; Rufe **Smith** to CDC at Belvoir; Sid **Steele** to DC area; Dick **Trefry** to DCSPER Review Board; John **Wassenberg** to Asst Vice Chief's Office. That's all I have—if I left you out, write and tell me.

Odds and ends: Andy **McFarland** replaces Lee **Wegner** at the Language School at Monterey, Calif. . . . Some of our wives going on R&R: Pookie **Crittenberger**, Martha **Morrison**, Marilyn **Romaneski**, Tillie **Smithers**, Bettie **Curry**. Biddy **Hoffman's** paintings are really getting around; she'll have a one woman show on 29 Apr at the Grand Central Art Gallery in New York. Vernon **Quarstein**, back from Advisor duty in VN, has the 3d Bde, 501st Inf of the 82d Abn Div at Bragg. Boyd **Bashore** attended a NATO meeting in Feb; a fringe benefit of the trip was some skiing in Garmisch with Bolo **Brunson** and Dick **Leavitt**. then in Mar John **Streit** went around the world in a lot less than 80 days—and in his travels saw Bolo and the **Gabriels**. A long letter came from Ardath **Wilson** just as I was about to type this; Ardath is enjoying a part-time office job with an insurance agency in Houston, and is planning a trip to New Jersey when the children are out of school.

There is only one baby to report this time: Julia Moorman **Sampson** was born on 19 Feb 69, weighing 8 lbs, 11 oz. This is Clare

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and Don's fourth girl, fifth child. Congratulations!

Again, our column ends with the sad news of a classmate's death, for Bob **Leary** died of leukemia at Walter Reed on 20 Mar 1969. He had been at home with Joan and the children a few weeks before. George **Fullerton** and George **Tilson** were able to be with Bob when he was presented the Legion of Merit on 10 Mar, for work he did in Zweibrucken. Burial was in Cataumet, Mass., on 24 Mar. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Bob's parents, and to Joan and their four children, Mark who is 24, Robin who is ten, Sarah who is five, and to three-year-old Michael. They may be reached c/o G. H. McGreevy, 124 Red Brook Harbor Rd., Cataumet, Mass. 02534.

'51

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The new address at the head of this column signals the end of my tour as Scribe for the Class. DA's crystal ball shows Korea in the offing when the 3 years with the English Dept here at USMA are completed in July. As the only non-grad Scribe in the history of the ASSEMBLY (as far as the AOG can determine), I've been delighted with this unique opportunity to meet some of you by mail, a few of you in person, and all of you vicariously in the writing of this column. If the product of my efforts has been readable – and reasonably accurate – then it has, I hope, been a mutually enjoyable experience for all of us. Certainly "that's affirm" for me.

Incoming scribbler Joe **Fant** was democratically dragooned into the job at the class executive committee elections in Jan. Instead of selecting the new keeper of the log from the ever-dwindling group of classmates here at the Academy, I proposed that my replacement come from the class center of gravity in D. C. In response to that idea one of the quorum present suggested Joe, and he was elected by acclamation. When informed of his selection, the new incumbent accepted warily but with the firm understanding—at least on his part—that it was positively something less than a permanent appointment. Joe also asked me to warn all classmates that if the needed grist for his literary mill was not forthcoming in the future, he would invent his own material—like birth announcements, divorces, exotic

1951: Kermit Johnson receives the LM from Maj. Gen. John H. Hay Jr. in ceremonies at C&GSC, Fort Leavenworth, where Kermit has been a student this past year.

(or ghastly) assignments, and other such choice tidbits! So keep the notes and letters coming, if for no other reason than self-defense now that Joe will be poised at his typewriter at least once each quarter.

Having made the plea for future columns, it is perhaps appropriate to begin the class notes for this issue with the kind of news any Scribe likes to get—only sooner. Last Nov John **Hemphill** was awarded the SS for valor while serving as CO of the 3d Bde, 9th Div. In a 2-day battle near My Phuoc Tay on 4-5 Oct, John repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire to direct his men, and his helicopter was hit several times as he ordered the pilot to make low passes over the enemy positions. In that battle, 3d Bde troops killed 139 of the enemy and captured 17 along with 160 weapons and numerous other supplies.

Also in Nov, 1968, Kermit **Johnson**, then a student at C&GSC, Ft. Leavenworth, received the LM for exceptionally meritorious service as assistant post chaplain and post chaplain here at USMA from Jan 65 to Jul 68. In the citation Kermit was particularly commended for his dedicated efforts which "made the Post Chapel a focal point of community activities for all age groups . . . " and for his "immeasurable contributions toward establishing better understanding and outstanding public relations with local civilian communities." And in Korea last Dec, John **Haumersen**, CO of the 4/7 Cav in the 2d Div, received the ACM for service during his preceding assignment as chief of the Maintenance Div, Armor and Engineer Board, at Ft. Knox from Dec 65 to Jul 68. John arrived in "the land of the morning calm" last Sept.

There is good news as well concerning some of the AF files from '51. Billy Joe **Ellis**, Ken **Hite**, Larry **Larsen**, and Joe **Danforth** all came out on the AF list for promotion to full colonel. Congratulations from the Class. The final item in the Awards and Promotions category for this column concerns Larry **Kelly**, one of the classmates in mufti. Larry has been named a member of the Michigan Division staff of the Detroit Bank & Trust, a special 4-man team which handles all the correspondent banking relationships of Detroit Bank & Trust throughout the state of Mich. Larry left the service in 1964, studied for his MBA degree at the U. of Michigan, and first joined the bank as a credit analyst in 1967.

A letter from AF classmate Bud **Bacon** tells of a Feb meeting of the SEA Branch of the Class held at the Ramuntcho Restaurant in downtown Saigon. For any of you former devotees of "The Pearl of the Orient," that's on the left side of Le Loi as you go toward the National Assembly Bldg, between Nguyen

1951: Maj. Gen. L. G. Cagwin, CG of the 2d Inf Div, presents John Haumersen with the ACM.

Hue and Tu Do streets. (Bud sent along a party flyer complete with map!) According to Bud, the party was "largely the result of the concerted efforts of Bill **Vandenberg** and Bill **Cuthbertson**, and . . . some adroit assignment of tasks by Jim **Kintz**." Those present included Bud, Barney **DeRamus**, Hal **Shultz**, John **Hook**, Norm **Jorstad**, Tom **Foster**, Sam **Dickens**, Bill **Veurink**, Jack **Price**, and the three mentioned above. Roy **Herte** and Phil **Sheridan** made it to the cocktail hour held earlier at Army BOQ 1 just outside Tan Son Nhut AFB, but skipped the dinner because Phil had to teach a U. of Maryland class, and Roy had to return to his Bn prior to curfew.

Bud also noted that "as a point of interest, Saigon was attacked (lightly) that night, but it went unnoticed by this affable group." He also included the following list of classmates known to be "in the vicinity, i.e., SEA, but not in attendance:" Pat **Pattillo**, John **Ward**, Ernie **Rose**, Charlie **Walker**, B. J. **Ellis**, Bob **Volk**, Al **Costanzo**, Gil **Stephenson**, Howie **Peckham**, and George **Hardesty**."

Several classmates (Joe **Fant**, Rocky **Rockwell**, Bill **Stockdale**) have given me various items of information on orders for '51ers

1951: The SEA branch of the Class of '51 conducts a meeting which brings together both Army and AF classmates for the occasion. Seated at the table in the rear are left to right, back row, DeRamus, Bacon, Shultz, Vandenberg, Hook, Jorstad. Front row, left to right, Foster, Cuthbertson, Dickens, Veurink, Price and Kints.

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1951: The "nine old men" and "an associate" from the AWC class of '69. Left to right (standing): Jack Whitted (associate classmate), Ted Atkeson, Howie Steele, George Harman; (kneeling): Frank Waldman, Ed Partain, Chan Goodnow, Walt Johnson (rear), Lou Michael (front), Jim Rockwell.

completing the Army War College this year, and Rocky even included a picture. Combining the data from all 3 sources, I have come up with the following list: Ted **Atkeson**, OSD; Chan **Goodnow**, Chief of Log Div, J4, EUCOM; George **Harmon**, CO, 575 Eng Con Bn, Ft. Stewart, Ga., Walt **Johnson**, DCSLOG; Bill **Louisell**, DCSPER; Rocky **Rockwell**, DCSOPS; Howie **Steele**, DCSPER; Frank **Waldman**, 5th Inf Div, Ft. Carson, Colo.; Jack Whitted (associate classmate), Inf Sch, Ft. Benning, Ga.; Ed **Partain** and Lou **Michael**, unknown at this time.

In other stateside news, Bob **McDonald** is an Opns O at Ft. Monmouth, N.J., and in Jan he attended the USAF Weapons Employment Planning Course at the Air University; Bob **Prehn**, who went to Hawaii to command a unit which was subsequently not formed, is now back at Ft. Bragg where he has a Bn; Eric **Antila**, back from RVN, has a dream assignment which would appear to be the product of someone's wishful thinking, but which, according to Joe **Fant**, apparently exists. He is assigned to an R&D job with duty station at Aberdeen Proving Ground and, now get this, gets DA staff credit and draws jump pay besides! Joe, are you pulling my leg? Bill **Richardson** is XO to the Asst VC of S at DA; Joe **Clemons** is going to Vietnam to become CO of the 23d (Americal) Div Spt Comd; George **Hardesty** will join the staff and faculty of the Army War College when he finishes his 2d RVN tour this summer.

At the start of this column, I referred to the class executive committee election which selected Joe **Fant** as my replacement beginning with the next issue of the ASSEMBLY. The other results of that election are as follows: Bill **Stockdale** (MA&E) replaces Chuck **Canham** as president; Buddy **Hoff** (associate classmate, Chem) is the VP; Chet Bobinski (associate classmate and the Post AG) is the new treasurer; and Don **Peifer** continues as secretary. As directed by permanent class president Dan **Foldberg**, the executive committee will remain here at West Point for 2 more years until the Class 20th Reunion. After that event, it will probably be shifted to the D. C. area where the largest group of classmates assembled in a single geographic area is located.

1951: Larry Kelly joined two vice presidents on a special four-man Detroit Bank & Trust team to handle special banking activities throughout the state of Michigan for that firm.

Jimmie **Cox**, who left the service in 1954 to enter grad school, has been out of touch with the Class for a long time. Assuming that he had fallen into the "unknown" category during that period, he wrote the Scribe recently to bring his classmates up to date and re-establish contacts with them. After a tour in Korea (52-53) and 1½ years with the old 47th Div at Ft. Rucker, Jimmie resigned his commission to enter the U. of Alabama to obtain an MBA. Between 1955 and 1960 he was employed by the Buckeye Cellulose Corp., a subsidiary of Proctor & Gamble, and concurrently studied for a law degree at night. He received his license to practice in Tenn. in 1960. In 1961 Jimmie entered private practice and at present is one of the partners in Krivcher & Cox of Memphis. In 1957 he married Janet Hughes Holley whom he met while at Rucker, and they have 2 boys James Jr., 9, and John, 7. As a practicing lawyer, Jimmie is currently a member of the Memphis, Shelby County, and Tennessee Bar Assns, the American Bar Assn, and the American Trial Lawyers Assn. His home address is 8101 Dogwood Drive, Germantown, Tenn., and he would like to hear from some of his old classmates.

One final item. In order to permit members of the Class to do some long range planning and to preclude possible difficulties in getting this message out next fall, this is an invitation to all members of the Class who will attend the Navy game this year to meet at the Defense Personnel Support Center (the old Army QM depot) in Philadelphia at 1100 hours for a pre-game drink. After the game all are invited to return to the DPSC Officer's Club for the post-game victory celebration, and those who desire will later go as a group to Bookbinder's or some other mutually-agreed-upon restaurant for a late dinner and more partying as appropriate. Joe **Fant** will attempt to have more specific information on this '51 gathering in the summer issue of the ASSEMBLY or you can write directly to him at the address at the head of the column for the latest details if your copy of the summer issue is late in arriving.

That's it for this quarter—and for this Scribe. It's still a pretty small Army, so—auf Wiedersehen. Walter L. McMahon.

'52

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Class news continues to focus on Vietnam. Bill **Moore**, CO of 2d Bn, 35th Inf, will be coming home this spring with two more SSs, the LM, and awards for valor of the BSM and the AM. Bob **Carlone** is on the Air Staff at the Pentagon now, having returned last fall from flying C-123's in the 315th Special Operations Wing at Phan Rang. Bob picked up a shell fragment and an SS at Khe Sanh, a lovely mountain sports and camping area that was first opened by Bob **Korchek** back in 1962. Bill **Shields**, messing around Dak Tho on one of his 104 combat missions, earned the DFC for heroism in flight. Ralph Garver commanded the 84th Engr Bn near Qui Nhon, and the Province Chief has awarded him the Vietnamese Social Service Medal for work done for the Vietnamese people. Dick **Wiles** won the Vietnamese Cross

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1952: Bill Moore

of Gallantry out near Pleiku. That's 4th Div territory, and Dick commands the 2d How Bn, 9th Field Arty, of the 4th Div. Dave **Bethea** was assigned to the 173d Abn Bde just before Christmas as Bde Exec.

The Stateside news is also good, if scarce. Warren **Hayford** has been elected a vice president of Continental Can Co. Warren, second youngest vice president ever elected by the company, will continue as their top marketing official. John **Garver** has been picked as Permanent Associate Professor in the Dept of ES & GS at USMA. He will be the only man in the Class permanently assigned to the Academy—but not until he returns from Vietnam. Merdith and the family will stay in the West Point area, where Meredith has achieved some fame as two-time winner of the Victor Constant Spring Skiing Broken Leg Award. Far less painful has been Gloria **Scott's** nomination (by the Stewart AFB OWC) for Military Wife of the Year. The AF ladies there think Gloria's the greatest; Gil agrees.

To all of the above, congratulations from '52. To all who read this, HELP! Send news.

1952: Bob Carlone decorated by General Conway.

'53

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On 3 March 1969, William C. **Stinson** Jr. was fatally wounded when he directed his command helicopter to land and evacuate wounded personnel of his battalion near **Tam Ky**, VN. During the successful evacuation, a single round struck "Doc," and he died before medical aid could reach him.

1953: Bob Bartlett, Secretary of Highways for Pennsylvania, has been elected president of the American Road Builders' Association.

At the time of his death, he was the commander of the 1st Bn, 52d Inf of the 198th Light Inf Bde. Funeral services were held in the Old Cadet Chapel, and "Doc" was laid to rest near his classmates at West Point on 14 March. Those members of the Class who were able to return to West Point for the services were Jerry **Brophy**, Art **Brown**, Jim and Ginny **Currie**, Bert **Fuller**, Al **Grum**, Jack **Merrigan**, Dan **Rickard**, John **Seigle**, and George **Waters**. To his wife Mildred, his daughters Dawn, Leigh Ann, and Katherine, and to all his family the Class extends our deepest sympathy. A memorial has been started as a portion of the Superintendent's Fund. Contributions may be made, in his name, to the West Point Alumni Foundation Inc.—Superintendent's Fund.

Bob **Bartlett**, who is currently Secretary of Highways for the State of Pennsylvania, received two other honors recently. He was elected president of the American Road Builders' Association for the coming year and was featured in an article in the February 22d issue of the ENGINEER NEWS-RECORD. Apparently Bob is keeping his staff jumping, according to the article. He uses two briefcases alternately, while he is traveling around, to keep the work flowing back and forth to his office.

A note from Bob and Nola **Breckenridge** announcing the birth of their daughter Anne Marion on the 3d of February.

Some recent moves that Bob **Carter** passed on to me were Duffy **Martin** from VN to Hq, Sixth Army, Presidio of San Francisco and John **Smythe** as the new CO 3d Bn, 39th Inf, 9th Div. John **Seigle** is now an assistant to BG (Ret) Lincoln in the Office of Emergency Planning.

The AOG provided news on Tom **Brain** and Dyke **McCarty**. Tom was recently awarded the LM and is currently commanding the 801st Maint Bn with the 101st in VN. Dyke is the instructor of the Air Forces' Systems Management at Wright-Patterson AFB.

Monty **Speir** came up several times recently to assist the Class of '69 choose their first assignments. Bill **Hilley** also stopped by briefly during his preparations to leave for VN.

The next column should have the results of the election of class officers in the new location, Washington, D.C.; and, hopefully, more news. Write!

'54

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In Feb the Class here at West Point received the sad news that our classmate, Dale **Jenne**, had been killed in a plane crash in Panama. At the time of his death, Dale was commanding an Inf Bn. He was buried here at West Point on 26 Feb 69. Dale's wife, Pat, and their four boys are now residing at 1019 Osage Street, Clearwater, Fla., 33515.

During Feb a class luncheon was held at West Point. John **Farrar** and Grayson **Woodbury**, co-chairmen of the Class Homecoming Committee, brought everyone up to date on the status of plans for the celebration. In addition to the schedule of activities published in the Winter ASSEMBLY, the Class will have other functions. Friday night, 3 Oct, an informal cocktail buffet is being planned. Saturday morning the Class needs to have a business meeting. One item of business which you might give some thought to is whether to change the class constitution and elect our class officers from the group in the Washington area, or continue to have classmates stationed here at West Point serve in these positions. The number of classmates stationed here is getting smaller each year, and perhaps the change should be made.

Some type of memorial service is being planned for Saturday. It was decided not to memorialize our Class this year by constructing and dedicating some structure such as a fountain or bench. Since there is no set pattern as to when classes are memorialized, it was decided to wait until later when perhaps the class Fund (presently about $8,000) will have grown and a nicer or larger memorial could be constructed without completely depleting the Fund. A class lunch is being planned for Sunday, and somewhere in the busy schedule, a class picture needs to be taken. The Class of '54 will be the senior reunion class this fall. As such, we will have priority on football tickets and facilities such as the Hotel Thayer and places for functions. However, we will have priority only until a certain date and then priority will pass to the next class. For this reason, when you receive information from the Homecoming Committee, please respond without delay.

1954: Bill Hauser, Frank Hart, and Ed Cutolo, battalion commanders in the 9th Infantry Division.

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The Committee will keep you informed on such things as tickets, activities, and hotel accommodations so that you can make your own reservations.

I mentioned that the class group at West Point is getting smaller. This year we lose Len **Reed**, Newell **Vinson**, and Paul **Driscoll** who will go to Vietnam; Pete **Jones** and Bill **Odom** who will leave for Leavenworth; Craig **Spence** who will go to Germany; and Bob **Marcrum** who is Korea bound.

Bill **Hauser** wrote from Vietnam and inclosed the photo of himself with Frank **Hart** and Ed **Cutolo.** All three are Bn Comdrs in the 9th Inf Div. Word also came from Vietnam that Dick **Littlefield** had been wounded. Although reported by DA as not seriously wounded, he is being evacuated to the States. Dick was hit by mortar fire while serving as Senior Advisor to the 42d ARVN Regt. Before leaving Vietnam, Dick was awarded the BSM. Ken **Bailey** received the LM on 31 Dec for exceptionally meritorious service while commanding the 6th Bn, 14th Arty near Pleiku. Bill **Boyd** is stationed at Nha Trang Air Base with the 20th Special Operations Sqdn. An AF news release recently described Bill's activities in assisting in the rescue of a trapped army recon team near Ban Me Thuot. Bill was co-pilot of a UH-1 Iroquois gunship that flew protective cover for the rescue. H. C. **Tanner** has received a second award of the AM at Korat AFB, Thailand, for meritorious achievement as an EC-121 Super Constellation aircraft Comdr. David **Teberg** is scheduled to return from Vietnam in July and will attend AFSC. He has been commanding the 2d Bn, 18th Inf, Ist Div.

A letter came from Wendell **Gilbert** who is senior aide to the USAREUR CINC. He has plans to take over a Bn at Mainz in April. Several other classmates are already commanding Bns in Germany. Harry **Sullivan** has a Cav Sqdn in the 2d ACR, Jack **Delamain** has a Tank Bn in the 3d Armor, George **Perrin** an Arty Bn in Giessen, and Don **Shaw** a Cav Sqdn in the 3d Inf Div. Dan **Tobin** and Glen **Stout** are assigned to the USAREUR staff.

Bruce **Bidwell** sent me a list of classmates who graduated from AFSC in Jan. John **Gilboux** went to DA, Audrey **Short** and Bruce **Short** to Vietnam, Bob **Ironsides** to Taiwan. Francis **Cobb** was in the group, but I didn't get his assignment. Bob **McPherson** is presently in the Staff College.

The class group in the Washington area had a small get-together (175 classmates and wives) on 22 Feb. Tom **Young** arranged the drink-in at the Cedar Knoll Inn in Alexandria. Having attended the function, I can assure you that I saw no evidence of arthritis of the elbow among the group! Good party, Tom!

Congratulations to Skip and Susie **Forman** on the birth of their daughter Jacqueline in Feb! Would like to hear of any other recent additions—to other classmates, that is.

To those of you who find time to send news of the Class, my sincere thanks. Include any photos if possible.

As of now, there are only six months until the gathering on the Hudson. Plan early to join B. T. **Thompson** in cheering ARMY to a win over Texas A & M.

'55

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The winter period has brought new highs in volume of snow, but new lows in the volume of correspondence and the frequency of visits. Hopefully spring will inspire more of you to drop me a line as to your activities, both past and prospective.

1955: Latest '55 party at Leavenworth.

There has been another large increase in the '55 contingent in the Washington area. Dick **Bean** has assembled a list of names and addresses and according to my tally the total is now 77.

The group assembled for a party at the Cameron Station Officer's Club on 1 Mar, organized by Frank **Schlotter** and Chuck **Steinman.** Despite a fairly severe snowstorm, there was a total turnout of over 90 people. As usual, the level of photographic skill proved inadequate to the occasion; however, Frank is attempting to "lighten" the pictures, and if anything is salvageable, they will be included in the next issue. Another party is planned for late May or early June, at which time there will probably be an election of officers to man the organization of '55 in the Washington area. The distaff element is already organized and holds monthly coffees.

Since the group in Washington is so large, I will include a list of names. For anyone interested in a list complete with addresses, contact me or Dick **Bean** (8104 Karl Road, Alexandria 22308).

AIR FORCE: Bill **Anderson**, Carl **Cathey**, Frank **Donald**, Chuck **Flynn**, Dan **Geran**, Bill **Goodwin**, Bud **Hall**, John **Hardy**, Bill **Hock**, Ray **Karam**, Roy **Lynn**, Dick **Masson**, John **Pickitt**, Ted **Vitori**, Dale **Ward**, Tom **Weaver.**

ARMY: Dick **Bean**, Pete **Booras**, Jim **Brokenshire**, Mike **Brown**, George **Burkhart**, Bill **Burrus**, Bob **Carpenter**, Bob **Chapman**, Roy **Dunaway**, Bill **Edwards**, Phil **Enslow**, Ken **Ginter**, Bud **Goldstein**, Bill **Hadly**, Zach **Hagedorn**, John **Hamilton**, Tom **Herren**, Will **Holbrook**, Bob **Johnson**, Carl Jones (Assoc), Warren **Jones**, Bob **Joseph**, Bill **Lozier**, Bruce **MacDonald**, Dan **Malone**, Pres **Mayson**, Malcolm **Meekison**, Myron **Minich**, Frank **O'Brien**, John **Passafiume**, Rex **Perkins**, Bob **Pheiff**, Hugh **Quinn**, Al **Raymond**, Gene **Richey** (former '55), Frank **Schlotter**, Bob **Schmidt**, Doc **Schow**, Al **Spaulding**, Norm **Sparks**, Chuck **Steinman**, Hi **Stevens**, Howard **Stone**, Ed **Trobaugh**, Dan **Troyan**, Pete **Walton**, Rod **Waterstrat**, Bill **Wilcox**, Bill **Wix.**

CIVILIAN: Frank **Ceglowski**, Chuck **Domeck**, Doc **Dorough**, Dick **Fontaine**, Mike **Garn**, John **Giddings**, Dick **Gottron**, Bill **Harris**, Marty **McGuire**, Pete **Vann**, Lloyd T. **Wolfe.**

The group at Leavenworth is winding up the course and preparing to move on. Matt Schepps sent a note with photograph of their most recent party. First row from left to right: Jim **Ryan** (with pendant), Frank **Robertson**, Jack **Griggs**, Bob **Newton**, Dave **Pemberton**, Bill **Chance**, Bud **DeMaris**, Bob **Henry**, Matt **Schepps**, Larry **Stockett**, Jim **Miller**, Bob **LaFrenz**, Jim **Town**, Wes **Wells**, Herb **Finger**, and Bob **Stanley.** Second row left to right, Pat **Ryan**, Alida **Robertson**, Susan **Griggs**, Linda **Newton**, Martha **Pemberton**, Joan **Chance**, Bonnie **DeMaris**, Annette **Henry**, Betty **Schepps**, Kay **Stockett**, Marvel **LaFrenz**, Carla **Town**, Heidi **Wells**, Maureen **Finger**, Jill **Wiegand**, and Nena **Stanley.** Third row, Carole and Don **Buchwald.**

Matt says OPO has come and gone with the word on new assignments and that the class is headed in every direction. Matt is going to the 82d at Ft. Bragg. Matt also reported seeing Bob **Wiegand** on his way to USARV where he has command of a bn. Joe **Vincent** and Jim **Barker** also showed up for the Founders Day celebration; seems the SAC base where they're stationed (Omaha) wasn't having one.

Here at USMA the '55 contingent continues to dwindle, with the current total now down to 15 with the recent departures of Bill **Arthur** (to Vietnam as XO, 1/506, 101st Abn Div) and Dave **Young** (to mufti). Al **Buie**, Dave **Hufnagel**, and Jerry **Tebben** are scheduled to depart as well at the end of the academic year. On the brighter side, Bill **Streett** has been appointed a Permanent Associate Professor of Chem, and Bill **Wix** is now scheduled for a 2d tour as an Associate Professor in the Dept of Soc Sci. Bill **Wix** has been assigned to ASD/ISA in the Pentagon for the last year and has been learning some of the practical aspects of international politics in general and Middle Eastern politics in particular. He is slated to be Associate "P" for courses in comparative politics and international relations. Needless to say we are looking forward very much to having him back.

1955: Phil Blanton receives SS, presented by Maj. Gen. Craig, Dep CG, Third Army.

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Bill **Streett**, in addition to some teaching, will continue his research in cryogenics, having recently won a large grant from the AEC to investigate the properties of liquid mixtures of neon and hydrogen, which will be used in designing a new type of bubble chamber. Bill has a growing research establishment, with one other officer working full time with him and several others working part-time. There are also some additional financial grants in the mill. His laboratory sports a large array of shiny cylinders, gauges, control knobs, and vacuum pumps, which all together emit an impressive sound of whirring, wheezing, hissing activity. He is very much the scientist at work.

Carl **McNair** writes to report on classmates in and around the Long Binh/Bien Hoa complex in Vietnam. Carl presently commands the 145th Combat Avn Bn at Bien Hoa, with 5 companies of helicopters and 1500 meters of the base perimeter. Carl previously commanded an assault helicopter company and finds the main difference is that the new job gives 5 times as many responsibilities, headaches, and maintenance problems plus a lot of paperwork, much of which he finds being sent down by classmates in higher headquarters. Carl says he gets to see most of the people coming into or departing the III and IV Corps Areas. Danny **Dugan** is the Maintenance Officer in Hq, 1st Avn Bde and will be leaving soon. Bob **Strati** is in Long Binh with the 1st Log Command. Bill **Welter** is also at Long Binh with the Army Concept Team. Tom **West** is in Saigon with the 34th Gen Spt Gp. Carl says his welcome mat is out for anyone passing through Bien Hoa going or coming. "The lodging isn't Holiday Inn style, but it's far more comfortable than the Replacement Battalion offers."

As usual, a number of reports of awards and decorations were received. Phil **Blanton** was awarded the SS for gallantry in action on 9 Feb 68 while serving as a senior district advisor in Binh Thuan Province. In part the citation reads that "on that date, when 2 South Vietnamese platoons were driven from their position by a superior enemy force, Major **Blanton** seized the initiative and took charge. Through his encouragement, and by constantly exposing himself to intense enemy fire, he became the key factor in rallying the Vietnamese soldiers to assault and overrun the enemy positions, ultimately achieving victory." Phil is presently assigned to Third Army Hq in Atlanta. He and Jessie have four children: Philip, Mary, Kathryn, and Anne.

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First, my apologies for not making the report deadline for the last issue. I particularly regret this because I received many fine letters and cards near the Christmas holidays. Second, my congratulations to George Woods at WP for taking up the slack for me as he did. His Winter Issue article was superb, and we all owe him a debt of gratitude for the job he has been doing on the class report from the WP vicinity. I understand this issue will be the last for which he will prepare the WP portion; after this one, George will be off to C&GSC. John **Liwski**, with the Information Office at WP, has been "volunteered" to continue the good work. Thanks for everything, George, and my condolences John!

Perry **Smith** was awarded the Helen Dwight Reed Award of The American Political Science Association for his doctoral dissertation, "Wartime Planning for Postwar Contingencies: The Army Air Force Example 1943-1946." This dissertation was selected by the awards committee, consisting of a distinguished panel of political scientists, as the best doctoral dissertation in the field of international relations, law, and politics in 1967. Perry prepared this dissertation while attending Columbia U. which awarded him a Ph.D. in Oct 67. Perry is Asst Prof of Political Science at the AF Academy, but is currently flying F-4D fighter bombers with the 555th Tactical Fighter Sqdn and is stationed at the Udorn Royal Thai AB. Incidentally, Dick **Dowell** is his roomy. Both plan to return to the States this year; Perry to his teaching duties at the AF Academy and Dick to Pentagon Plans, Air Staff assignment. My "red faced" apology to Connor **Smith** for first, failing to place this great news about Perry in the Winter Issue and second, sending her a note referring to Perry as her "son"! It's a good thing most people have a great sense of humor, and particularly Connor.

Incidentally, Perry wrote from Vietnam that Conn **Anderson** is Civil Actions Officer at Ubon. Tom **Cody** has just completed a SEA tour at Bangkok after a year at Da Nang. Bob **Beyer** is flying F-4D's out of Da Nang. Lee **Denson** is in F-100 training at Luke AFB and will probably be in SEA by the time you read this. Fred **Dent** will take his F-100 training beginning in Feb in preparation for a SEA assignment. Dick **Daleski**, after completion of an SEA tour flying C-130's, is now working on a Ph. D. in preparation for his return to the AF Academy. Charlie **Hamm** and Bruce **Wallace** are at the Air Command and Staff School at Maxwell AFB, Ala. Butch **Harbold** is working on his residency at the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minn., with two years to go. Chuck **Young** is also at work on his residency in oral surgery at the Parkland Hospital in Dallas. Chuck apparently plans to return to the Tampa, Fort Myers area to practice dentistry.

Lee **Denson** and Tom **Kirchgessner** have within the last year been awarded Ph.D. degrees. Lee and Perry successfully defended their dissertations within 24 hours of each other and celebrated this milestone together. Lee's Ph.D. is also in the field of International Relations and was awarded by Harvard. Perry had the pleasure of reading Rick **Brown's** dissertation on "Gas Warfare, Its Use and Non-Use" and understands it will be published soon. Perry's dissertation described earlier, will be published by the Johns Hopkins Press this coming fall.

Al **Renshaw** is in the planning area at SAC Hqs at Omaha. "Buzzy" **Lynch** is undergoing F-4 training in the Tucson area and may be in SEA when this is published. Joe **Dougherty** has been reassigned from the AF Academy to Hq USAFEUR at Wiesbaden, Germany. John **Gromek** is at the AF Academy in the Airo Dept.

Received a very newsy note from Judy **Le Hardy**. Judy and the children are renting a house in Annapolis while Ward is in Vietnam. He is S-3, 3d Bde, 1st Cav Div. Ed **Valence** and Jerry Burcham are also in the same div. Pete **Lash** left the 1st Cav Div just a few days before Ward arrived. Pete and Ginger are now at Ft. Leavenworth. Prior to Ward's departure from the States, he was given training at Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. for air-ground opns. While there, the **Le Hardys** saw "Ace" **Bowman** and Jerry and Claudette **Lake**. Judy understands Jerry is now in SEA and Claudette has returned to Colorado Springs to wait for him. Judy attempted to reach Irene and Bob **Bacon**, who have a residence in Fort Walton Beach, but learned from Bob's father that he and Pat were in Tex. where Bob was being treated at Brooks Army Medical Center for wounds suffered in Vietnam.

Suzanne **Wall** gave birth to a boy, the **Wall's** third, on 18 Sept 68 at Arlington, Va. Unfortunately, John was in Vietnam at the time serving as CO of the 20th Eng Bn near Pleiku, but I'm certain was delighted, as we all are, to hear the news. Judy visits with Suzanne often and also sees her sister and brother-in-law, Maude and Rude **De France**, frequently. Bonnie and Frank **Matthews** are renting an apt in nearby Annandale, Va., while awaiting the completion of their new home in Springfield, Va. Judy also recently heard from Bunny **McCahan** that she and the children have purchased a home in East Grand Rapids, Mich. (I believe).

Jeanette **Barrett** was thoughtful enough to send me quite a lengthy write-up published in the GROSSE POINTE NEWS (Mich) about Bob. The occasion was his recent graduation from the Wayne U. School of Medicine in Detroit, and the article described the many difficulties and problems that the **Barretts** overcame together to make this possible. Briefly, Bob resigned his commission in Sept 63, when his request for a leave of absence to study medicine was denied. Bob attended Duke for a year of premed study and then went from there to Wayne. Meanwhile, Jeanette has worked for the past four years as a speech correctionist for the Detroit Public Schools to enable Bob to devote the time needed for his studies. Dr. Bob is interning at the Detroit General Hospital and has joined what appears to be a very impressive list of our classmates who have chosen the medical profession. Incidentally, it appears Bob may specialize in Aerospace Medicine, but he's also interested in Pediatrics and General Surgery. The **Barretts** are residing at 1026 Lakepointe Ave., Grosse Pointe, Mich., and have two children, Todd and Wendy.

Received two fine cards from Irene **Bacon** describing the highlights of Bob's career. As you know, Bob was promoted to LTC in Aug 68. He was offered the privilege of being Aide to President Nixon for four years, but has elected instead to return to Vietnam this summer. We can all easily imagine the mixed feelings they must have had about this decision. Incidentally, Bob and Irene have three children, Robin (5), Bruce (4), and Bill (3). When last heard from, they were residing in Falls Church, Va.

Received both a letter and a "Vietnam Style" Christmas card from Bob **Schuler**. He is with the IFFV G2 in Nha Trang. Don **Graesser** is with the 64th Engr Det, and Ken **Knowles** is with IFFV G3 in the same area. Bob and Jerry **Crouter** (Comdr of an assault helicopter Co.) ended up on the same R&R plane bound for Australia. Marlene and Kris **Schuler** are currently awaiting Bob's return from her parent's home in Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island. Bob reports that Jack **Nicholson** is commanding the 2d Bn 503 Inf of the 173d Airborne Bde. Paul **Winkel** and Harry **Christopher** are somewhere around Saigon or Bien Hoa.

Gene **Fox** wrote that he is enjoying the hot and cold running water and all the conveniences at his second Vietnam tour. Gene is senior advisor at the Phan Rang Popular Forces Training Center in Ninh Thuan Province. Priscilla and their two boys are staying in Charleston, S. C.

Roger **Root** has been promoted by IBM to Group Staff as a Product Forecaster for

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Large Systems. Judy tells us that the family is now comfortably settled in a colonial style home on one acre in New City, N. Y., just 18 miles from West Point. Their boy Steve plays soccer and is a scout, and Susan is in 4-H and is learning the practical art of cooking.

Bob **Krutz** has returned from a tour of duty in Vietnam where he served as Air LnO and Forward Air Controller to the Army's 9th Inf Div, Mobile Riverine Force, in the Mekong Delta. Bob and Jan are now residing in Ann Arbor, Mich., where Bob is attending the U. of Michigan and working toward a Doctorate in Operations Research. While in Vietnam, Bob was awarded the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star and with Palm Leaf, and, for his more than 600 combat missions in the 01 Birddog, was decorated with a SS, DFC with 3 oak leaf clusters, BS, 15 AMs and the Commendation Medal.

Received an announcement from Ernie **Ruffner** that he and James R. Treese have formed a partnership under the firm name of Treese and Ruffner for the practice of law in D. C. and Va. Their office address is 1038 Shoreham Building, 806 Fifteenth St., NW, Wash., D. C. The best of good cases and clients to you, Ernie!

Sam **Kem** writes that he is CO of the 577th Engr Bn located near Tuy Hoa. We understand Ann is waiting in Fla. and plans to meet Sam in Hawaii for R&R this year. Sam says there are a number of classmates in his vicinity, such as Dick **Pierce**, XO, 589th Engr Bn, Skip **Ross**, with the 18th Engr Bde at Dong Ba Thin. Dick **Mackin** is at Long Binh as Aide to General Mildren, Deputy USARV CG. Sue and the children are awaiting his return from Green Cove Springs, Fla. Jim **Dozier** is S3 and Gus **Johnson** is S5 of the 11th Armored Cav Regt.

Received a fine report from Frank **Smith**. Frank, Pat, and their two children are in the Phoenix area where he as well as Vern **Ebert** and Chuck **Kottich** are in the Masters Program (OR/SA) at Arizona State. All expect to finish up in June 1969. Frank thinks he may be assigned to D. C. for a utilization tour. Chuck and Vern are not certain of their assignments. Frank's wife Pat has been going to school full time. Walt and Elaine **Sager** and their three children are at Luke AFB where Walt is an instructor pilot. Jack **Schannep** is manager of the Tuscon office of Dean Witter & Co., Inc. and just recently was elected an Assistant Vice President of the firm. Jack and his wife Helen, and their four children, live in Tucson at 1715 Calle Del Cielo.

Arv and Barb **West** are at the Naval Postgraduate School at the Presidio in Monterey where Arv is completing the Masters Program in OR/SA before possibly moving to D. C. later this year. Gus **Johnson** is XO, 2d Sqdn, 11th Cav in Vietnam. Ellen is awaiting his Aug return from Leavenworth, Kans. Mike and Sue **Sirkis** and their three children are in Germany where Mike is Div G3, Hqs CENTAG. Bill **Westcott** returned from Vietnam in July 1968 and is now a Foreign LnO in the Pentagon. His wife Doris is busy with her job restoring paintings at the Smithsonian. Zuke and Lucy **Day** and their three sons are at the Navy C&SC in Newport, R. I. Zuke expects a D. C. assignment upon completion of this course in June. Don Lee resigned his commission in early 1968 to become a Product Engineer in Defense Weaponry for Bell Areo Systems. Don, Carol and their five children live in Niagara Falls.

I want to acknowledge all the wonderful Christmas greetings received, but not reported in the last ASSEMBLY issue. Kitty Crandall and children are doing fine in her hometown, Warrenton, Va., while Harry is serving in Vietnam at Da Nang as Deputy G3 at I Corps. Les and Attilia **Weinstein** are delighted with Les's 3-year assignment with the standardization group at Canadian Headquarters in Ottawa. They have purchased a large home in the Kanata area outside of Ottawa and are enjoying Canadian friendliness, their lovely garden, and conversing in French. Their daughter Eva is studying under the Royal Ballet, and their son Nicholas has joined the Canadian Scouts. Bob and Pat **Pearson**'s card was full of news. The highlight of their year was the birth of Joseph Roy (Joey) on 1 May. The **Pearsons** now have five children, Mary (5th grade), Barbara (3d grade), Jimmy (1st grade), Janice (will enter Kindergarten next fall) and of course, Joey. Incidentally, the surgery performed on Jimmy's left perforated eardrum has proven to be quite successful. Bob is still putting in long hours at his Pentagon assignment, but, according to Pat, still finds time to build furniture, remodel their Falls Church, Va., home and to get in his required 100 hours flying time.

Ray **Cannon** has been promoted to Flight Commander at his pilot training post in Selma, Ala. Carolyn reports that their daughter Donna has just recovered from a broken arm (two places) and internal injuries suffered during a fall of 15 feet (without parachute). Janice Cannon loves the 1st grade, but is spending most of her time with 2d graders in a special advanced class. The Cannons hope to see both Dick and Elenor **Dowell** after Dick's return from SEA this spring. Jerry **Grinstead** is expected back in Apr. Incidentally, the **Grinsteads** are boasting of another son. Will try to give you the other details regarding this "happening" in the next issue. Cindy **Rall's** card from San Luis Obispo indicated she hoped to meet Fred in Hawaii during his R&R (which was to have been this past Christmas). Cindy says their twins, Jeff and Mitchell, are now 2½ years and going strong. Raoul is 8½ years and keeps quite active now in Cub Scouts, piano lessons, Bible club, and football activities. Stan **Diez**, his wife Connie, and their two children, Lesa and Eric, are in good spirits at Ft. Leavenworth, even though they claim their quarters leave something to be desired. Stan was with the 173d Airborne Bde in Vietnam before returning to Ft. Leavenworth last July. At various times, Stan has been in the same sections with George **Wien**, Jim **Anderson**, and Gene **Smith** at the C&GS College. Apparently, Jim **Lane** must have left Leavenworth at about the time of Stan's arrival. Joan **Lane** reports that Jim is currently at Long Binh with the 40th Bn. She and the children James II and Jennifer are awaiting his return from Texarkana, Tex.

Neale and Bonnie **Luft** tell me that the "law of averages" is still good, and they now have four boys and four girls what with the birth of their son Neale Jr. last 20 Nov. The baby's nickname is "Skip." Neale is still assigned to the Civilian Institutions Division, Headquarters Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson AFB. The card from Dave and Gail **Muntz** provided several items of interest. Dave entered AFSC in Norfolk, Va., this past fall. He has been forced to commute from Norfolk to their home in Arlington on weekends. By the time you receive this, he expects to have a new assignment in Vietnam. Gail has enrolled in American U., her goal being to obtain her degree in music education by the time Dave returns. Their daughter Carla is a 6th grader and son Steve is in 5th grade. Steve cut his legs rather extensively when he ran through a plate glass window, but we're happy to report he is apparently all right now.

Bill and Barbara **McPeek** are still at the AF Academy. In Mar 1968 they were offered larger quarters next to the woods which the boys, Scott (11) and Jeff (8), and the dog Penny find to their liking. Their big project for 1968 was to add a mudroom and a little more deck on their cabin at Breckenridge, Colo. The addition was designed by Barbara's architect brother and built by Bill and his dad. Meanwhile, Bill is making regular trips to Denver U. in pursuit of his Ph.D. He hopes to get his degree this summer.

Here in the Los Angeles vicinity, we learned that George and Phyllis **Leonard** have left for D. C. They were able to have 60 days en route to visit with family and friends in Mo. Dex **Shaler** has been going great guns at the Service Bureau Corp. His sales output for 1968 has once again qualified him for an expense paid vacation in Boca Raton, Fla. He plans to visit Montego Bay, Jamaica, and the Virgin Islands during this trip. Dex is also in training to take on all comers on the ski slope. He tells me he can now traverse the "baby slope" with only three falls. Irv and Judy **Mayer** and their four, Deborah, Karen, Janet, and Nancy are still in Los Angeles after 5½ years. They reside in Gardena. Irv is with the Air Force Space and Missile Systems Organization (SAMSO). Speaking of SAMSO, it was quite a pleasure to see Lyle **Kendall** at the L.A. West Point Society's Annual Military Ball this last Feb. Lyle is also with SAMSO, as is Gerry **Ankenbrandt**. Lyle has just returned from Vietnam and is living in Manhattan Beach. As for the **Wilkers**, Betty is teaching the first grade this year and our big second grader, Carolynn (7), is enjoying her Brownie activities to the utmost. We are a very fortunate family and of course wish the same good things for all of you.

And so ends another snowy, blowy winter at West Point. The Rock still stands. Between blizzards, the fast tempo of social, athletic, and youth activities turned what used to be referred to as Gloom Period into a hectic, but enjoyable season. The social highlight of the past three months has to be the winter class party which was organized by the Saints. Charley and Ann undertook an ambitious project of hosting the affair, complete with combo, in their quarters. I'm not sure the neighbors enjoyed it, but a good time was had by a large number of '56ers who seemed bent on having a swinging party. The theme was "come as you're caught." The average dress for the affair may therefore be categorized as falling somewhere between unkempt and raunchy. This Class obviously really falls out after work. In all due respect to George **Ward** though, I must exclude him from the above category. George made his entrance attired in, of all things, a choir robe. Actually, Martha was pressing George's trousers when the doorbell rang and George didn't want to come that way. Right George? It was a great party and this year's Fickle Finger Award goes to Charley and Ann.

Art and Deet **Harris** hosted a farewell get-together for John and Flo **Kuetmann** and Chuck and Barbara **Garvey**. Needless to say, it was a real fun time topped off with Art playing the role of a hippy (and somewhat gassed) Santa who passed out gag gifts to the honored guests. The only hitch of the entire evening was Ann **Parker's** late arrival

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due to a classmate (he shall remain nameless) who managed to find the only patch of snow at West Point at that time and got his car stuck. Randy had been called into work unexpectedly, accounting for Ann not having wheels to the party. As soon as Randy became aware of Ann's demise, however, he immediately left the Club and came to her aid. (You tell it your way, Randy, and I'll tell it mine.)

Doc **Bahnsen's** picture appeared in a recent issue of ARMY MAGAZINE. Although the pic wasn't from the best angle, there was no doubt about it being Doc. Doc, as many of you know, is back in Vietnam commanding troops and seeing plenty of action.

On a trip to Aberdeen Proving Grounds the other day, I bumped into Larry **Wange** lunching at the Officers Club. Larry is now working with General Motors Corp. and appears to be doing very well. He is currently residing in Milwaukee.

The Founders Day dinner here at West Point produced another surprise in the person of Jack **Conklin.** He and Kathy are now living in Poughkeepsie. Jack stated that they are really happy to get back to this area and have purchased a small farm where Kathy can be close to her first love, horses. That's not saying much for Jack, is it? Jack is oil purification sales manager for the Industrial Division of DeLaval Separator Co. We're looking forward to seeing a lot of Jack and Kathy in the months ahead.

Speaking of Founders Day, the event made it more obvious that the ranks of '56 stationed at USMA continue to grow thinner. We now are only 21 in number and it appears that we will continue to diminish during the next year. The Class was well represented though at the dinner. Along with Jack **Conklin**, whom I have already mentioned, were Bill **Crites**, Jim **Ellis**, Tom **Griffin**, Pat **Haley**, Bud **Lewis**, John **Liwski**, Gene **Lynch**, Hawley **Oakes**, Farrell **Patrick**, Dick **Tripp**, Herb **Wagenheim**, George **Ward** and yours truly.

During the Mar luncheon, Jim **Ellis** announced that Mike **Conrad** had deputized the West Point class committee to propose the idea for a memorial honoring our classmates who have died in combat. The idea is in the formative stage and Jim's committee is soliciting your suggestions, thoughts, comments, etc. No decisions will be made by the committee unless they reflect the general consensus of the Class. Financing will be accomplished through the medium of the Superintendent's Fund. Ideally, it is hoped that something can be finalized in time for our 15th Reunion in 1971.

On the subject of memorials, it was learned that there is a movement underway to attempt to have a new bridge on Irondequoit Bay near Webster, N. Y., named in honor of Don **Holleder.** A fitting tribute to a great guy. Let's hope it works out that way.

The winter sports season finished in a blaze of glory. A special salute is in order for coach Bob Knight and his cagers for their outstanding performance in the NIT. Although our cadets were the last to be selected, they made everyone sit up and take notice when they defeated a strong Wyoming five, then proceeded to pulverize a highly favored South Carolina team to gain the semi-finals. Against a powerful Boston College team coached by the great Bob Cousy, West Point battled the Eagles point for point, but the Eagles were too much. Boston pulled away in the final three minutes and won 73-61. The important thing is, though, that everyone knew that ARMY had been there and had to be reckoned with.

Since I will be leaving West Point this summer, I have asked John **Liwski** to take over this end of the column. John being with the IO here should have his fingers on the pulse of all that goes on at West Point and I am grateful to him for so graciously consenting to do the job. I have enjoyed this bit of prattlin' and tattlin' to supplement Stan **Wilker's** work and to hopefully keep everyone a little closer to our Alma Mater. Luck to all.

Major George J. **Woods** Jr.

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I am grieved to have to report the death of Hop **Keeler.** He was shot down over South Vietnam. A large contingent of classmates from the AF Academy and from D. C. arrived here at West Point in Feb for the funeral. Besides all the classmates at West Point, also in attendance were Bill **Huckabee**, Bob **Gadd**, Owen **McIntyre**, Don **Rowland**, Ben **Waller**, Larry **McNeil**, Paul **Chase**, Frank **Knight**, John **Schaefer**, Fred **Wells**, John **Gleason**, Moon **Mullins**, Jack **Farris**, Bill **Ray**, Leon **Bieri**, Dick **Stephenson**, Jerry **Scott**, Don **Whalen**, Church **Matthews**, Don **Ley**, and Julio **Heurtematte.** Giles **Harlow** was escort officer. The entire Class extends its deepest

1957: Bob Westerfeldt receives ACM in Saigon for his service with Plans and Policy Branch.

sympathy to Gail and the children, and to Hop's mother and father, who were also at the funeral. A Memorial Fund for a cadet award for excellence in National Security Affairs has been established in Keeler's name at the AF Academy where he taught the National Security Course. Contributions should be sent to: Air Academy Memorial Fund, Inc., USAFA, Colo. 80840 (designated for Harper B. Keeler Fund). Gail and the children will be residing, for the time being, at 3106 Wesley Lane, Colorado Springs 80907.

I did manage to get a good deal of information from our AF classmates. Bill **Webb** (now in Addis Ababa) is air attaché to Ethiopia. Dave **Ray** is flying HC130H's in Vietnam. Gordy **Williams**, now at Edwards AFB, recently flew combat missions over VN from the flight deck of the "Ranger." Gordy was flying the Navy's Corsair II, an A-7 light attack bomber. He performed a combat evaluation for TAC, which will soon be receiving their version of the plane, the A-7D. It will differ considerably from the aircraft flown off the "Ranger" partly because it

1957: Dianne Edgar displays her Olympic form.

will incorporate 120 changes recommended in the report that Gordy helped prepare. Dave and Laura **Bernd** are with the Math Dept at USAFA. They will be departing in June for Arizona State, where Dave hopes to earn a Ph.D. in Ops Research. Also with the Math Dept at USAFA are Owen and Janet **McIntyre**, Bill and Shirley **Carter**, Don and Kay **Rowland**, Ben and Jean **Waller**, Charlie and Peggy **Wheeler** (Ben and Charlie are leaving this summer for C-7 Caribou tours in VN), Dick and Cynthia **White**, Larry and Barbara **McNeil** (Larry went to jump school at Benning in '68. He will interrupt his teaching this summer for an "A-1" tour in VN), and Bob and Barbara **Markham.** Sounds like '57 is largely responsible for the AF Academy's expert Math Dept. Also at the AF Academy are Bob and Sunny **Gadd** (Econ Dept), Mike and Judy **Keating** (Mike is currently in VN on an interrupted tour from the Mech Dept), Jerry and Shirley **Meyers** (Chem), Dick and Joyce **Mollicone** (Mech), Walt and Jan **Rabe** (Astro Dept),

1957: Bill Ringler

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1957: Ann Zabriski earning her license.

John and Mary **Schafer** (Aero Dept), Doug **Stockton** (Airmanship Div), Giles and Ann **Harlow** (Pol Sci). **Harlow** just finished a tour in VN where he flew RF-101's. He was shot down and suffered a compression fracture, was rescued by a Vietnamese fishing boat, and is back on flying status.

Fred and Ann **Wells**, Frank and Marty **Knight**, and Paul **Chase** are also at the AF Academy. Fred, Frank, and Paul are AOC's (Tacs). Paul is still a bachelor. Fred **Freathy** is on an interrupted tour to VN from the Math Dept. Fred is flying F-4's, while Judy is waiting in Ann Arbor, Mich. Bill **Page** is flying F-4's in Thailand on an interrupted tour from the Math Dept, while his Judy waits in Hawaii. Jack and Charlotte **Slaney** are at NORAD Hq. Wade and Missy **Shaddock** (Army files) are also at NORAD Hq. (Wade is leaving this summer for his second

1957: Max Kovel receives 2d BSM at Leavenworth.

tour in VN). Les **Prichard**, bachelor, is making F-104 flight tests at Kirkland AFB. Jack and Barbara **Ellington** (civilians) are living in Denver. Jack is with ARMCO in Boulder. Also in Denver are: Ray and Gail **Karsian** (Ray is with IBM), Bill and Kay **Liakos** (Bill, M.D., is a pediatrician), Les and Charly **Tate** (Gates Rubber). My thanks to Don **Rowland** and Frank and Myrna **Redd** (Asst. P., Mech Dept, WP) for assembling most of the above poop.

Julio **Heurtematte** is with the Inter American Development Bank in D. C. Julio is responsible for U. S. loans to Venezuela, Columbia, Barbados, and Trinidad-Tobago. Jack **Farris** and John **Gleason** are with DCSOPS in the Pentagon. John and Irene extend invites to any classmates in the DC area. The Gleasons reside at 4304 Fielding St., Alexandria, Va., 22309. Dick **Stephenson** is aide to Gen. Besson, CG, USAMC. Ben **Beasley** is aide to Lt. Gen. Kerwin, CG, IFF, VN. Tim **Murchison**, after spending 4 months as XO of the 1st Sqdn, 4th Cav in VN, is completing his tour in CS, 1st Inf Div. Tim writes from VN that Jack **Adams** is with the 2/18th Inf; Bob **Faulkender** is XO of the 2/16th Inf; Bill **Campion** is CO of the 17th Mil Hist Det, and Warne **Meade** is S3 of the 2/2 Mech Inf. Bob **Arnold** is now in Oberammergau. He is at the NATO Wpns Sys Dept (SHAPE) at the US Army School, Europe.

Jack **Block** was recently named Illinois' Outstanding Young Farmer for 1968. Jack farms more than 1,500 acres and raises nearly 4,000 hogs a year. Jack was selected over 36 other young farmers. Judging was on the basis of success and growth of farm operation, soil conservation practices, and civic activities. Jack and Sue have 3 children. The chairman of the nominating committee said: "It was easy for us to see that **Block** was just outstanding. He was the best choice . . . You have to be successful with that large an operation."

Howard **Haupt** is a navigator at Beale AFB, Calif. Bill **Ringler**, with SAC, is a

1957: In Washington, Trent Rose receives LM for his service with 5th Special Forces Gp in Vietnam from Maj. Gen. Brown, Deputy Director for Production, Defense Intelligence Agency.

B-52 Strato Fortress aircraft commander at Carswell AFB, Tex. Fred **Smith**, flying an F-4 Phantom, is a member of the 391st Tactical Fighter Sqdn at Cam Ranh Bay. He has flown many combat missions. The AF sent this message. "Major **Smith** and fellow F-4 pilots hit enemy targets located deep in the Mekong River Delta. With friendly soldiers entrenched just 3 Km from the target, the pilots delivered their ordnance directly on target, destroying and damaging 23 enemy fortifications and 11 bunkers." Bill **Meyerholt** is now at Bergstrom AFB, Tex. He is a pilot and aide to the CO of the 12th AF, Maj. Gen. Robbins.

Exceptional Wife and Children Department: Ann **Zabriskie** recently earned her pilot's license. Ann and Jerry both were active in the WP flying club. Ann flew solo in 4 different planes. Another exceptional wife is Dianne **Edgar**. Dianne was well qualified to teach skating to West Point children and wives this past winter. In 1956 she represented her native England in the Olympics. She was Junior Figure Skating Champion of Great Britain, and in 1958 she won the Great Britain Senior Championship. That same year Dianne placed 5th in the World Championships. Later she skated professionally with the American Ice Capades.

The West Point Players' production of Archibald McLeish's "J. B." was heavy with '57. Sam **Focer** and Bill **Seely** played lead roles; Darell Erickson was producer, and I directed. Bill and Pat's son Butch, Darell and Patti's son Tim, and our daughter Sharon all had featured children's roles. Patti, too, performed in an important role. Needless to say, the play was a smash hit. The WP Players' annual children's production starred another exceptional child actress, Bud and Connie **Krapf's** daughter Elisa. Keep sending your letters. Hope you all have an exciting summer.

P.S. I am deeply grieved to have to report that Walt **Pritchard** has been killed in Vietnam. Walt, who was CO of the 3 Bn, 1st Inf, was killed on a helicopter flight on 12 Apr. He received his fatal wound from enemy ground fire. He had already established himself as one of West Point's finest graduates, not only through his military leadership, but also through his scholastic accomplishments at Columbia University, where he was on the verge of receiving his Ph.D. in English Literature. He was buried at West Point. A large assembly of classmates and friends at the funeral testified to the warmth and respect we all held for Walt. Maryellen and the children will temporarily reside at 6 Patton Drive, Cornwall, N.Y.

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We were shocked and saddened to learn of Lon **Spurlock's** death. He was killed by small arms fire while riding in a light observation helicopter on a command and control mission near Saigon on 28 Mar 1969. Word of his being awarded the BSM last Nov while Opns O of the 2d Bn, 18th Inf (1st Inf Div) had arrived only in Mar. His selection for promotion to Lt. Col. was reported last issue, and his selection for C&GSC is in this issue. Classmates from Ala., N.J., Mass., D.C., and Ft. Leavenworth, in addition to those at West Point, attended the funeral here on 4 Apr. Dick **Reynard**, Hal **Lyon**, Butch **Saint**, Sam Seeley, Tony **Bauer**, and Link **Jones** were honorary pallbearers. "May it be said, Well Done!" Suzy and the children, at this writing, are living in Highland Falls, N.Y. (98 Mearns Ave, zip 10928).

1958: Bill Harrison receiving certificate of membership in and apprecation of the Class of '58 from Dick Reynard at Fort Leavenworth, 3 Dec 68, "for the time and energy he has devoted to the support of the United States Corps of Cadets." Bill lives in Kansas City, is plant manager for Interstate Chemical Company, and, at last word, was vice-president of the local West Point Society.

My thanks to Jim **Ramsden** and Frank **Waskowicz** for the well-organized filing system I have inherited with the job of Scribe. The many hours of labor and careful thought they have given to the problem of organizing the wealth of information on the Class has made the transition much

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1958: Rock Hudson receiving the 3d award of the ACM for heroism in action with the 20th Engr Bn near Pleiku on 4 Mar 68. The award was presented 26 Nov 68 at Fort Leavenworth by Brigadier General David S. Henderson, assistant commandant, USAC&GSC.

easier than it might have been. And now for the commercial (from one who hasn't followed the exhortation himself)—the column depends (help!) upon its friends. Write!

Belated congratulations and our apologies are due those we missed on the last AF Major's list: Alan **Chase**, John **Cook**, John **Galen**, Dan **Johnson**, Tex **Lenart**, John **McKillop**, Jim **Ryan**, Frank **Smith**, and Stan **Toney**.

George **Sibert** reports that the D.C. group continues to grow, prosper, and enjoy life. Latest arrivals in the area are Dan **Brockwell**, Bill **Brower**, (nee **Fagg**), Jud **Ellis**, to USAF Staff, OCE), Jim **Castle**, Troy **Chappell**, Pete **Millspaugh**, John **Nun**, Mike **Riordan**, Roger **Waddell**, Ed **Weckel**, Butch **Saint** (to Armor OPO), and Gary **Kosmider** to (Office of the Asst VC of S). We have no picture for it, but the 28 Dec party at Evans Farm Inn in McLean was attended by Larry and Judy **Bullis**, Terry and Harriet **Connell**, John and Helen **Cook**, Bob and Jodi **Dey**, Sandy and Jane **Evans**, Dick and Bev **Graves**, Bob and Jan **Higgins**, Terry and Jackie **Howard**, Tom and Mary Ellen **Orr**, Butch **Ordway**, Mike and Jane **Riordan**, George and Gale **Robertson**, Tom and Barbara **Sands**, George and Judy **Sibert**, Mimi **Sigler**, Annie **Stanton**, Ray and Kay Lou **Tomlinson**, Bill and Mary Jane **Parks** (down from USMA), and Butch and Ginny **Saint** (up from AFSC, Norfolk). The following classmates attended the Founders Day dinner, 14 Mar, at Ft. Myer: Dan **Brockwell**, Larry **Bullis**, Bob **Bunker**, Buz **Bruzina**, Terry **Connell**, John **Cook**, Bob **Dey**, Bill **Ganey**, Lou **Gennaro**, Dick **Graves**, Bob **Higgins**, Mike **Riordan**, George **Robertson**, Tom **Sands**, George **Sibert**, Phil **DiMauro**, Dale **Cockle**, Stan **Dus**, George **Wees**, Ray **Tomlinson**. The 21 from '58 compared well with one from '57 and one from '59!

Bill **Serchak** forwarded a flyer on the luncheon that Dick **Reynard** organized at Leavenworth for Bill Harrison (see picture). Bill has been active in West Point activities for many years; the recognition is only a small token of our appreciation for the many contributions he has made to the Corps. Most of the 28 members of the Class at Leavenworth were able to attend the luncheon.

For those of you who missed the '69-'70 Leavenworth list, here are those selected: ADA—Walt **Plaue**; Armor—Tom **Carpenter**, Mike **Davall**, Bob **Degen**, Gary **Graves**, Mike **Mahler**, Bob **Moscatelli**; Engrs—Bob **Bunker**, Terry **Connell**, Bo **Craddock**, Rich **Gell**, Don **Palladino**, Jim **Sigler**; FA—Vince **Barta**, Jack **Bradshaw**, Jack **Burke**, Pat **Mellin**, Gerry **Mitchell**, John **Nowak**, TF **Smith**; Inf—Dick **Bauchspies**, Jim **Davis**, Les **Gibbings**, Daryl **Jaschen**, Bob **Lindquist**, Fred **Mayer**, Bill **McCaffrey**, Palmer **McGrew**, Bob **Moore**, John **Sewall**, Lon **Spurlock**, Jude **Theibert**, Dick **Thomas**, Ray **Tomlinson**; AIS—Cary **Martin**; QM—Sandy **Evans**, Tim **McLean**; Signal—Phil **DiMauro**, Al **Salisbury**. In addition, the following have been selected for the AFSC: Tom **Sands** and Tony **Smith** (Engrs); John **Nun** (FA); Will **Roosma** (Inf); Dick **Webb** (AIS); and Bill **Tuttle** (TC). And, last but not least, Dale **Hruby** (Armor) was selected for the Marine Corps Staff College (verrrry interesting!).

Air Defense Artillery

Walt **Plaue** is Plans Officer at CORDS in Nha Trang. His DEROS was 5 Apr, but he is planning to extend for 2 months so that the kids can finish school. He heads for Leavenworth next year. Ben **Pellegrini** is reported to be still plugging away on his Physics Ph.D. at Tulane. Hugh **Trumbull** is enjoying his utilization tour at Redstone Arsenal after getting his M.S. at Princeton and finishing his tour in Vietnam.

1958: Bill Giallourakis receiving LM, 1st oak leaf cluster for BSM, first oak leaf cluster to the AM, and first oak leaf cluster for the ACM. The awards were all as a result of heroism in action and service performed while Executive Officer, 2d Bn, 33d Arty (1st Inf Div) in Vietnam. They were presented 25 Nov 68 at Fort Leavenworth by Maj. Gen. John H. Hays.

Armor

Sammy **Sookmak** is reported with the Thai Black Panther Div in Vietnam.

Engineers

Ray **Miller** has been in Thailand supporting Army and AF units. He has assignment instructions for Buffalo, N.Y., as Dpty Dist Engr and should leave around 1 Jul for, hopefully, a two-year tour. Ray also reported seeing many classmates at the Bangkok Founders Day dinner, 15 Mar, among whom was John **Devens**, who sat out the dinner in the bar (protesting jackets for dinner??). John is scheduled to leave Thailand for OPO in July. Judy and George **Sibert** were blessed with the arrival of their 3d child (2 boys and a girl, all adopted), David Cummings, on 6 Dec. George reports things as being a bit hectic, but fairly well in hand. He has been a great source of information for classmates around the globe. Randy **Rodenberg** is with G4, USARV (APO SF 96375). Alex **Johnston** and Bill **Wafer** are departing the D.C. area, Alex to Vietnam and Bill to Korea, but no word on when. Rock **Hudson** is at Leavenworth, where he received the 3d award of the ACM (see picture).

Field Artillery

After 6 weeks at Sill and one week in Fla., Paul **Vanture** arrived in Vietnam in Oct. He is currently S3, 4th Bn, 42d Arty (4th Inf Div), and is scheduled to move to the Div G3 Sec in May. In a situation familiar to many, he finds himself controlling fires of 3 btrys from units other than his own. Bill **Giallourakis** did an outstanding job as XO, 2d Bn, 33d Arty (1st Inf Div); he was awarded a host of medals at Leavenworth last Nov (see picture). Jan and Bill **Edwards** are the proud parents of a baby girl Deborah Allison born 9 Feb, just before the big blizzard. Bill is working on a computer program for teaching German. Be careful that it doesn't replace you, Bill. Tom **Morgan** was at the Founders Day dinner at Camp Eagle, Vietnam, with the 101st Abn Div (AM) on 17 Mar, and is S2 of Div Arty there.

Infantry

Kay Lou and Ray **Tomlinson** were blessed (?) with twins (Alex and Amy) on 18 Dec. This brings their total to 5. Pete **Bahnsen** and Les **Gibbings** were both at the 101st Div Founders Day dinner in Vietnam; Pete is XO, 2d Bn, 501st Inf, and Les is Dep G3 at Div. Pete **Kullavanijaya** was at the Founders Day dinner in Bangkok. He had just moved from organizing the first Thai Ranger School and is now in General Staff. Pete has been in Vietnam with the Queen's Cobras (Thai Div). An interesting fact that came to light was that there have been only 9 Thai grads from USMA, and Pete and Sammy **Sookmak** were the first since 1937. Gene **Scales** represented the Class, solo, at the Ft. Sam Houston Founders Day dinner (see picture).

Intelligence

Mickie and Barrie **Williams** were reported to be expecting the arrival of another baby in late Dec, but no word on it at press time. Chuck **Miller** was at the Founders Day dinner in Bangkok. He is just finishing a 3-year tour in Thailand and reports to the 25th Div in Vietnam in Jul. The family will remain in Bangkok.

Quartermaster

Don **Johnson** returned from Vietnam in Feb '68 and has been trying to resign ever since. His first resignation caused him to be removed from the Leavenworth list (wonder why); he was assigned to QM Branch, OPO, then to Plans Office, Office of the C of S, OPO. His fourth resignation was

1958: Bob Grete receiving SS for gallantry as a forward air controller on 26 Dec 67. The award was presented in late 1968 by Gen. David A. Burchinal, Deputy Commander in Chief at U. S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany, where Bob is Executive Officer to the Deputy Chief of Staff.

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1958: Safe at Da Nang AB, Vietnam, Bob McCann is assisted from an HH-3 Jolly Green Giant helicopter. Bob was recovered from the Gulf of Tonkin off the coast near Dong Hoi after his RF-4 Phantom reconnaissance aircraft was shot down over North Vietnam. After examination at Da Nang AB, Bob returned to his unit at Udorn Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

finally accepted, and Don will be out effective 31 May. He will be employed by Babcock and Wilcox Naval Nuclear Fuel Div, Lynchburg, Va., as Director of Management and Supervisory Training with a seat on the Labor Relations Committee. The new address will be 13 Nottingham Place, Madison Heights, Va., 24572.

Signal

Paul **Wagner** wrote of other classmates at the Founders Day dinner with the 101st Abn Div (AM), at Camp Eagle, Vietnam. Paul is S3, 501st Sig. Al **Salisbury** was in Bangkok about a week before the Founders Day dinner there, TDY from the 1st Sig Bde, Vietnam. He said something about having to go back to make R&R—where's that old "Duty, Honor, Country?" Jim **Weis** was awarded the BSM near Saigon (see picture).

USAF

Bob **McCann** took a slight detour while returning from one of his recon missions over North Vietnam (see picture), but made it to the Founders Day dinner in Bangkok. Bob has finished his 100th mission over the North and will leave "soon" for Tac duty at the USAF Academy. Kirt **Kirtley**, Mac **Williams**, and Denny **Sharon** were also in Bangkok for the Founders Day dinner. Kirt and Mac are flying F-4's out of Uban, with the 497th and 433d Tac Fighter Sqdns respectively, and had been there about 4 months in Mar. Denny was flying F-4's out of Udorn and is scheduled to leave in Apr for Hq USAF in the Pentagon. Al **Chase** is flying RF-4C's (recon) out of Udorn, also. With his tour about half completed, he already has about 120 combat missions. Al is scheduled to return to the U.S. in Aug and expects a directed duty assignment in aeronautical engineering. Al saw Jim **Rossetto** in the MAC terminal in Kadena, Okinawa, and reports that Jim is flying F-105's out of Thailand. Jerry **Prochaska** is in Saigon working in communications (with an Army unit?). Marge is apparently staying in Oreg. (in Corvallis?) until Jerry returns. Bob **Grete** is in Stuttgart, where he was recently awarded an SS (see picture). Jerry **Hoblit** is on an exchange tour with the Navy, testing fighter weapons and weapons systems. With Rosalie expecting number 2 "shortly," the house on Mammoth Mountain may need another wing. Bill **Stambaugh** was married 22 Dec. His wife's name is Carol. John and Helen **Cook** had number 1, John McCormick, on 14 Dec. Nick **Carlson** was scheduled to depart SAC in late Jan for Nha Trang to navigate AC-119's. He was at Griffiss AFB, N.Y., and hopes to get into data processing after his tour in Vietnam. Nick reports that George and Mary **Mitchell** are at Griffiss AFB; George is with Rome Air Development Center (RADC), having returned from a full tour in Turkey.

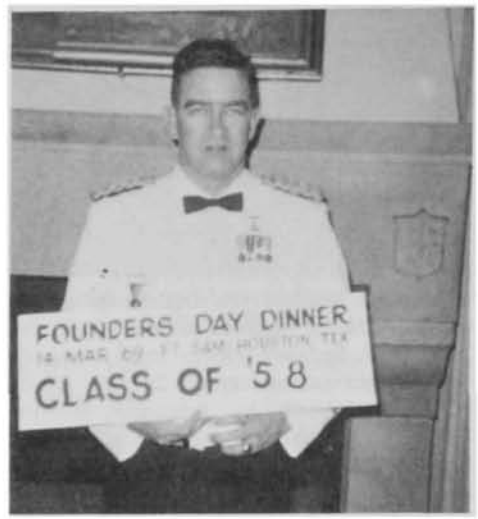
Civilian

Karl **Prunitsch** is in Hopkinsville, Ky., (210 Sherwood Dr, zip 42240), as an engineer for a spring manufacturing company. Shirley says that he is enjoying the work, is working as hard as ever, and that they are planning to build on their new lot. George **Huff** is in Tiburon, Calif. as Exec Vice Pres for Capital Funding Corp, a financial holding company with 550 account executives. His address is 49 Southridge West. George **Hall** has moved from the D.C. area to Ill., but we have no address. Paul and Nancy **Klempnow** are in Saginaw, Mich. (1814 N. Mason, zip 48602). They have a son Austin. Paul is in business for himself (Clover Real Estate) and manages to do some substitute teaching when he can find time. John **Manos** is another one in business for himself. MSD Stereo is thriving in Fayetteville, N.C., where John has captured every quality franchise in the area. He plans to be in New York City for the Consumer Electronics Show in June. Paul **Schonberger** finished Harvard Law School in 1967; he and Jan have been in San Francisco (1200 Francisco St, Apt 203, zip 94123) since then. Paul is with a law firm

1958: Jim Weis receiving the BSM 9 Dec 68 from Maj. Gen. F. K. Mearns, Commanding General, Capital Military Assistance Command near Saigon, for meritorious service as signal operations officer in Headquarters, Capital Military Assistance Command.

specializing in real estate. Ray **Coffey** was at the Founders Day dinner in Bangkok. He is with USOM, Thai Public Safety Dept, doing Border Patrol training for the Thais. Linda **Spencer** has settled in Lubbock, Tex. (6117 Lynhaven; zip 79413) and is going to school full time at Texas Tech. Floyd III is in first grade and is now undergoing the rigors of piano lessons. Dan **Brookhart's** widow Mary married Fred D. Reiss in Oct 1968. Fred is an elementary school principal in York, Pa. They and the children (Dan Michael, 8 and Allan Douglas, 5) live at 3 Willamette Court (zip 17402).

That's it for this issue. My deadline was 25 Mar (with a slight extension); any letters that arrived later didn't make it. The deadline for the Summer issue is in Jun and for the Fall issue in Sept, so drop me a note immediately upon finishing reading this issue. After being out of touch with so many of you for so long, it has been a genuine pleasure to get with it again. I'm looking forward to corresponding with many of you (I hope!) in the future.



1958: Gene Scales looks a bit forlorn as our only rep at the Founders Day dinner at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

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The address given above is no longer of any use to you. Not only will Polly and I have displaced for the next assignment by the time you read this, but also Al **Dorris** will be firmly in command of this column and will probably have completed his notes for the summer issue. Please write to him in care of the Dept of MA&E.

The rites of spring are accompanied in this, our tenth year after, by at least one wedding and one birth. Jerry **Jervell** married Dennis Dalton Fritsche at the Cadet Chapel on 22 Mar, and the toasts we offered in the Army Mess after the ceremony were bubbly and copious in accordance with our well established tradition. And the new baby is a girl, Margo Elisabeth, born to Sally and Craig **Bertolett** at Aberdeen on 11 Feb. Their home address is 618 Lacewood Dr., Edgewood, Md. 20140.

Howie **Stiles** came through with a typically delightful letter recently and reports that the land of the "Big Muddy" hasn't changed much since his last tour. At the time of his writing he was in Long Binh (comment unprintable) as Asst G1, 1st Avn Bde; but he was expecting to take command of an assault helicopter company sometime in May. Chris **Lawrence**, says Howie, recently took an ITT (both ways) between VN and Germany and is now CO of the airfield at Dak To. Monk **Hilliard**, scheduled to command a company in the 1st Avn Bde later in his tour, now has the brigade aviation section which Gil **Roesler** once ran for the Big Red ONE. Monk, in turn, occasionally sees Lou **Hightower**, who is S3 of a battalion and scheduled for redeployment to 1st Inf Div staff. Carl **Weaver** is at Rocket City North (is that a place?) and will soon be CO of a Mohawk company. Ray **Fisher** is basking on the beach at Nha Trang and works for the S3 of the 17th Avn Co in his spare time. Phil **Shaeffer** took command of A Trp, 7/1 Cav on 21 Jan, and Van **Ivey**

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1959: Lee Nunn receives the LM from Maj. Gen. John H. Hay Jr. at Fort Leavenworth for meritorious service during his last assignment with the Engineer Reactors Group at Fort Belvoir.

is on the 101st Abn Div staff. Ed **Robinson** is at Phu Loi as S4 of the 11th Cmbt Avn Bn and, adds Howie in an incredulous aside, has a swimming pool and a toilet that flushes. Jack **Poole** has departed VN and is now at Ft. Stewart/Hunter. Add that Andy **O'Meara** is with the 11th Cav and that Sandy **Beach** is with the 9th Inf, says Howie, and that's it. That's a lot, Howie; and thanks.

Dave **Roush** was completing a VN tour last Nov and sent word from the XXIV Corps area. He, as a member of the Corps G3 section, worked with Don **Reinhardt** for awhile, who was then in the G4 section but has since returned to Aberdeen. Dave saw Rick **Kocienda**, who was doing engineer things with the 1st Bde, 5th Inf at Quang Tri, and Dave **Rogers**, who was then with the G2 section of the 101st Abn Div at Camp Eagle. While on R and R and relaxing on the beach at Waikiki, Dave ran into Tom **Ballenger** and his wife, who were on vacation. Tom is in the air conditioning business in Oklahoma City and, according to Dave, seems to be blooming. The group spent a gala evening at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel and reminisced. Dave himself was expecting to return from his 2d tour in May and go to work in the computer management field, perhaps for Collins Radio in Dallas. He has done work for an M.S. in Teaching degree from the Benning branch of American U. between his VN tours and has, in addition, found time to take the extension courses from the C&GS colleges of all the services. Marilyn and the "three musketeers" are awaiting his return at Benning. Thanks for the poop, Dave.

George **Kleb** sends his regards from VN. As of October, he was S3, 588th Engr Bn, and was working in Tay Ninh Province along with Bill **Toskey** and Bill **Kelley**, S3's of the 554th Engr Bn and 79th Engr Gp, respectively. He adds that Dick **Bennett** was S3 of the 1st Engr Bn, 1st Inf. George seems to be elated with his job and allows that it would be perfect but for the separation from his family. That aspect of army life has been temporarily solved by Dick and Sandy **Toye**, who recently arrived in Germany for Dick's new job as a politico-military affairs officer.

Hank **Larsen** was kind to send a picture from a class party held at Leavenworth last Oct. Unfortunately it would not print, but it was clear enough for me to see that the occasion was generally commanding, both for staff and distaff.

A letter from **Larry O'Neill** fills us in on his doings since his resignation from the AF in 1965. "The last three years of service," he says, "were spent with the German AF at Buchel Air Base. After resigning I worked for two years for Boeing in Huntsville, Ala., as a research engineer. In that position I was involved in computer-controlled testing of the Saturn V launch vehicle. In May 1967, I moved to my present job with United Air Lines in San Francisco, where I am Automatic Test Equipment Manager for the maintenance base and keeping busy revamping test methods for everything from radios to turbine engines. I'm also in my second year at the U. of San Francisco Law School, working toward a Juris Doctor degree." Larry and Joan have a girl, 8, and a boy, 6, and live at 371 Pine St., San Bruno, Calif. 94066.

Nick **Krawciw** is due to return from VN this summer, but as of last Feb he was S3 of the 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav, north of Hue. That's the outfit I'm scheduled to join in Aug. Nick has probably moved to a higher USARV job since then. My father-in-law, on a business trip to San Francisco in Nov, was given a solid-propellant demonstration with the .45 cal. pistol by Jim **Patton**, who is a representative for MB Associates in San Ramon, Calif. Jim and his wife have a son, 7, and a daughter, 4.

Powell **Hutton** took the cadet rifle and pistol teams to USAFA in Jan and found Hugh **Socks** serving as OR of the zoomie rifle team. Hugh and Suzie have three boys: Buddy (8), Jay (6), and Mark (1). The other army file there is Ed **Burba**, who was away skiing at the time. Neither did Powell have a chance to see our five AF classmates, Dave **Carroll**, Bob **Crawford**, Jeff **Davis**, Mike **Molitoris**, and Jim **Taylor**.

Bob **Howe** is currently cruising off the VN coast in a ship known as a Floating Aircraft Maintenance Facility, which provides repair of aircraft components at the depot level. The ship contains the first army maintenance activity of its kind; and Bob, I believe, has come up with a first assignment of this type among our classmates. He floats over to Japan in May, where he will spend 2 weeks with his wife, Jennie. Son Glenn (1) will remain in Blackstone, Va., with Jennie's parents.

I am sorry to end this column, once again, with sad news. Buse **Tully** was killed in action on 2 Mar on a landing zone somewhere near Quang Nhi. He was serving at the time as S3 of an infantry battalion of the 11th Bde. He was buried on 12 Mar in the West Point Cemetery. The Class feels the loss deeply and extends its sympathy to his parents, his wife, and his young daughter. Connie may be reached at 1330 Fenceway Dr., Columbus, Ohio.

My thanks to all of you for your help in these notes over the years. One of my first letters from Vietnam will be to Al **Dorris**.

1959: Frank Besson receives the ACM for meritorious service in the Transportation Section, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics, Thailand. Presenting the award is Brig. Gen. David S. Henderson of the Army C&GS College.

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Regretably, I must begin by correcting a particularly gross error in the last column. Reporting a pre-Navy game party, I included Mike **Field** as one of the participants. As most of you know, Mike was killed in Vietnam in Oct '67, and his very fine biography appears in the Winter 1969 ASSEMBLY. My sincere apologies to you all, and especially to Pat **Field**.

Several cards and letters arrived shortly after the first of the year, but too late for the last issue. Dick **Sutton** wrote from Ft. Sill that he completed medical school in Jun '67, followed by a year of internship at

1960: Jim Janszen, aviation officer for 1st Bde, 5th Inf Div (Mech), received the SS in January.

William Beaumont General Hospital in El Paso. At Sill he is putting in a year of training in general surgery before returning to Beaumont next Aug for three years of orthopedics. "Doc" (which, after all these years, is now a legitimate nickname) reports having seen several classmates at Bliss, including Bob and Helen **Castleman**, now at the Navy Postgraduate School in Monterey, Bud and Shirley **Robocker**, and Bob and Jan **Trodella**. He has also seen many classmates in the Sill area, but complains that mostly he sees only wives and kids at the hospital. The **Suttons** have two boys—Ricky (R. O. 3d), age 5, and Jefferson Davis (name selected from an old REGISTER of GRADUATES—how about that!), age 1.

Nancy and Wayne **Clay** sent in a long letter from Loveland, Colo., where Wayne is manager of manufacturing specifications for Hewlett-Packard. They are currently raising a six-month-old Great Dane "puppy" that weighs 85 pounds and stands 28 inches tall

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1960: Packy White received his 4th BSM while serving as Headquarters Commandant of the 101st Airborne Division.

at the shoulders, in addition to Alison (4) and Mark (7). Tom and Sandy **Koentop** visited them briefly in Nov after Tom returned from his second Vietnam tour. The **Koentops** are now at Ft. Benning, where Tom is doing something with the combat development people. Buddy **Mease** is another recent returnee from the war, and he and Susan, along with two sets of twin girls (!) and one son, are now stationed at Ft. Hood. Tine and Bill **Ruedel** are now living at 155-B Lafayette Drive, Upper Arlington, Columbus, Ohio 43220, with their two children while Bill teaches ROTC at Ohio State. In view of the recent problems at Harvard, Yale, etc., I wonder if there has been a reaction at other universities. Why don't some of you ROTC instructors enlighten us as to the situation in the real world? One's perspective is somewhat limited at this bastion of conservatism on the Hudson. After interjecting those irrelevancies, I return to Wayne **Clay**'s newsy letter. Wayne has heard from Tom and Deane **Veal**, presently located at 1133 Frayser Blvd., Apt. 2, Memphis, Tenn. 38127, where Tom works for the local public health office until this summer, when they move to Seattle to study graduate orthodontics at the U. of Washington. Tom graduated from dental school at the U. of Tennessee, where he was first man in his class and was elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon—the Phi Beta Kappa of dentistry. While Ed **Deagle** completes his tour in Vietnam (last I heard he was the S3 of the 9th Division's 2/60 Inf), wife Mary Ann and their two boys are living at 1070 Haviland Terrace, Seaside, Calif. 93955. Dane **Starling** is at Michigan State working on a master's. He and Mary and children live at 2303 Vassar Drive, Lansing,

1960: Paul Miles, currently attending C&GSC, received the ACM for his last assignment with the Army Engineer District, Louisville, Kentucky.

48912. Jack **Casey** is with the 1st Air Cav Div Arty; Donna and three children are located at 1729 S. Josephine, Martinsville, Ind. 46151. Jerry and Rosemary **York** (and Lisa, Julie, and Jerry 3d) live in Royal Oak, Mich. at 4418 Sheridan Drive. Jerry works for Ford, and he reports having seen the Art **Judsons** frequently, so I assume they must be in the vicinity as well. Wayne **Clay** heard from Bob **Platt** in Jan. Bob, a civilian, works as a project manager for the Corps of Engrs in Saudi Arabia. He says he hates that place and hopes to go back to the Far East again next year—either to Vietnam (where he spent some 17 months as a civilian) or to his great love, Bangkok (22 months). Wayne claims he is still the "merry old bachelor and likely to remain so." Bob's address: Constructioneers, c/o Distict Engr., APO New York 09038. Many thanks to Nancy and Wayne for their contribution to this issue. With their letter came a lovely and unusual Christmas greeting, which concludes with the hope that "If we can work fervently toward arousing the apathetic and tempering the impassioned, perhaps then we can reason together and move ourselves closer to peace, and closer to dignity, opportunity, and hope for all people."

Old roommate Art **Giese** broke some eight years of silence with a fascinating letter from the American Embassy in Nicosia (add to that FPO, New York 09531 and you have his address). Art, Leslye, and sons David (5) and Jeffery (3) are "happily ensconced on a rocky hillside in the suburbs of Nicosia, Cyprus

1960: Craig Colter graduated recently from the Air Force Aerospace Research Pilot School at Edwards AFB, California. One of the most exclusive flying schools in the world, it produces potential astronauts, consultants in aeronautical programs, and test pilots.

with a stunning view of two rugged mountain ranges from their balcony," while Art divides his time between his principal assignment as Consul and, since he is the only Turkish-speaking officer at the post, as reporter on the political situation in the Turkish enclaves. The **Gieses** left Washington last Jul after Art completed a year of Turkish language training at the Foreign Service Institute and arrived in Nicosia in Aug after stops to visit families in Ark. and Miss., and vacations in London and Athens. They find Cyprus "rich in antiquities, archaeological sights, and natural beauty," and they recommend it "as a vacation paradise that is worth a detour to see. . . . The waves, the wine, the island's hospitality, and the reality that both the Turks and the Greeks keep their powder dry and muskets primed makes it an exhilarating place to live and work." My remark to a friend the other day that duty at West Point was "exhilarating" now seems pale by comparison.

Arline and Chuck **Luton** sent in another letter from Bangkok, where Chuck now advises the Thai Army Munitions Plant, having completed his affiliation with the **FAST** program which enabled him to visit 13 Asian countries and tour most of Thailand by jeep. The **Lutons** are incredibly active in a wide variety of pursuits in Bangkok. Among other things, Arline is designing furniture manufactured by Thai craftsmen and teaching English at Wattana Wittaya Academy, while Chuck teaches English on the side at the arsenal and turns out teak items in his home workshop. Seems to me they ought to combine efforts, somehow.

1960: Jim Schwoob, currently serving as action officer for the materiel directorate, Hq, USA Combat Developments Command at Fort Belvoir, received the BSM for service with the 9th Division.

From closer to home, Chuck **Schrankel** wrote to announce his current position as Product Development Supervisor in the Advanced Products Dept of Corning Glass Works (they make pyrex, pyroceram, and other things that our wives know about) and his recent completion of an M.B.A. degree from Syracuse. Chuck and Barbara live at 25 Highland Drive, Corning, N.Y. 14830, with Chuck Jr. (5) and Mark (3).

The AOG provided some news releases about several classmates: Dan **Shimek** is assigned to the 1st Sig Bde in Vietnam as Staff JA; John **Nix** is Asst S4 of the 5th SF Gp; Bill **Robocker** is S3 of the 7/9 Arty; and Hector **Carron** is with Advisory Team #3. We also have several new additions to the class roster at West Point: Diann and "T" **Eubanks** (OPE), Linda and Frank **Geiger** (Dept Ord), Sandy and Jack **Humes** (Dept EE), and Cathy and Bob **Oswandel** (Dept ES&GS). The total these days is 57 classmates, plus several waiting wives and a few civilians who live close enough to attend our gatherings regularly. Next year should be even better—I will provide a list of summer arrivals in the next issue.

Ed **Handler** sent a very impressive announcement of his recent selection to full membership in the law firm of Kenyon and Kenyon, New York City. Ed specializes in patent law and does considerable trial work all over the eastern part of the country. I note from the letterhead that John **Kirby** is an associate in the same firm, but further this deponent knoweth not. Another lawyer in the class, Duke **Schneider**, visited West

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Point last week and announced the formation of his new law firm, Woltjen, Kayton, and Schneider, in Milford, Pa. Duke is a general practitioner, if that description applies to law as well as medicine.

Jack Downey breezed in and out of here a couple of weeks ago with a group of visiting educators from Mo. Jack and Clarice (and one son) are stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, where Jack has commanded a basic training bn for the past 16 months (and I thought bn command time was scarce in the Inf!). Jack managed the trip by virtue of an additional duty as USMA counseling officer—he thought it might be worthwhile to see what was going on up here. Incidentally, he was suitably impressed, as you will be when you return one day. It just isn't the same place we left almost nine years ago.

John **Wood** wrote a letter from the Sig office of the 5th SF Gp after spending most of Nick **Rowe's** second day of freedom with him in Long Binh. John included a long news release and a couple of pictures, one of which I hope we can print with this. Jon **Searles** also wrote in Jan from the Mekong Delta where he is assigned as senior advisor to the 42d VN Ranger Bn, "an excellent job." Jon's Bn (and about 10 others) were on an extensive operation in the U Minh when he heard over the radio that one U.S. POW had been liberated. Realizing that it must be Nick, Jon got on the horn immediately and talked to Nick for about three minutes. He says that Nick was eating C-rations in the chopper and sounded excellent. The postscript to this story was written at West Point last week when Nick arrived to spend a few days talking to groups of cadets and to participate in appropriate social activities with classmates. Pointing out that he had been in constant association with classmates since his escape, he mentioned that he had talked to one over the chopper radio about two minutes after he was picked up, but he did not know who it was. Landing at Long Binh, he was met by Benny **Evans**, Bert **Spivy**, and John **Wood**. Pat **O'Donnell** met him at Travis AFB and offered his ring until Nick had a chance to order a new one. Back in Tex., Les **Beavers** and D.K. **Allen**, the aides appointed by Gen Westmoreland, apparently turned in such a splendid performance that Patty **Allen** is still trying to find out exactly what went on.

Although I am sorely tempted to try my hand at legitimate reporting and relate to you some of the fascinating stories Nick told us, I think it best to wait for the two books he is working on and instead tell you only that hearing him describe the events of the past 5½ years and his analysis of his Viet Cong captors constitutes an incredibly impressive experience. When most people attempt to talk about the necessity of faith—in God, in Country, and in one's Fellow Man—their remarks invariably consist of trite clichés and homiletic platitudes. When Nick **Rowe** tells us that faith in God, in his country, and in his fellow prisoners sustained him throughout a 64-month ordeal, his remarks have the unmistakable ring of truth and sincerity that proceeds from deep conviction. We were indeed more than impressed: we were—to a man—inspired.

Of course, it takes something more than passive faith to survive in the face of overwhelming odds. An abortive escape attempt earlier in the year provides a good example of Nick's ingenuity. (I cannot resist telling at least one!) It seems that he managed to slip away in a boat one day and was pressing on vigorously down a canal toward the river when he came upon his guards, who were returning from market. Understandably enough, they exhibited some consternation about Nick being four kilometers from camp in their boat with all of his gear. Undaunted to the end, however, Nick explained calmly that he had somehow become lost, and he wondered if they could show him how to get back to the camp.

From West Point Nick returned to Washington in his new Corvette for a round of CIA debriefings, then on to Ft. Bragg where he will host a promotion party that he promises will be "the greatest Bragg has ever seen" on 19 April. He then goes to Brooke Army Medical Center for a five-day medical evaluation. After some leave, he is scheduled to receive a special 30-day orientation at Ft. Sill preparatory to attending the standard FA advanced course. Next summer he expects to return to Vietnam, preferably for a tour with Special Forces.

I thought for a few days that this column might constitute some sort of record in that I had no birth announcements, but at the eleventh hour Mary and Charley **Otstott** came through in noble fashion with the news that they have adopted a son. James Boyd **Otstott** (named for our classmate Dick **Boyd**) was born on 19 Mar 1969, joining his proud and delighted new parents at West Point nine days later.

The deadline for the next issue will be roughly ten days after you read this, so don't delay sending in your good news—DO IT NOW!

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After a long and welcome reprieve, sad news has befallen us again. As you read in the previous issue's "Last Roll Call," Norm **Cunningham** died on 24 Sept 1968 in Vietnam. Norm was killed when the aircraft in which he was acting as an observer crashed. He was assigned to the Air Cav Trp of the 11th AC Regt. Our deepest sympathies go to the Cunningham family.

This certainly must be the year for the Greeks. We have found Agnew moving in two years from the post of Baltimore County Exec to the Vice-Presidency; we have found Aristotle Onassis marrying our former First Lady, and now we find that Mike **Xenos** has already become a Sig Bn Comdr in Vietnam. Can you feature a conglomerate called Agnew, Onassis, and **Xenos** dealing in Nipponese-American relations, christened yachts and PRC-25 radios? Good luck with your Bn, Mike, even if you have to go it alone. Mike also comments that he has seen Ron **Hannon**, who commands an Avn Co. in the 4th Div, and Tom **Stone** who is an S3 in a Div Arty Bn. Mike **Urette** is with CORDS (Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support) in Saigon, and Lee **Babbitt** is the Opns O for the Da Nang Support Command.

Chuck **Westpheling** has written from his position as a Bde S3 in the 101st. He will return in May and then to U. of N. C. for an M. A. in Public Admin before duty with MP&L here. He wrote of others in the 101st. Bill **Ford** is the S3 of the 326th Engr Bn. Charley **Burns** is the XO of an Inf Bn, after serving the first half of his tour as Asst Div IG. Steve **Walker** is the S3 of the 321 Arty. Jim **Evetts** has served as a Bn XO and was also the Comdr for a short time, and will next be working in the Div G3 Sec. Paul **Vader** is the S3 of a 101st Inf Bn. Lynn **Bender** has received the PH for wounds

1961: Phil Sands receiving his 2d ACM for his duties as advisor to the L'armie Nationale Congolaise.

received while advising a Vietnamese Army unit last Nov. Ev **Crews** has been serving as the Dpty G1 Adv to the IV Vietnamese Corps located near Can Tho. Mac **Greeley** left his Fighter Sqdn at Chu Lai for 3 months to serve as an Air LnO with a Marine Inf Bn. Mac will be coming back to the USA in Apr and has orders for duty at the USNA. Doing what? He does not yet know, but hopes to be a Co. Tac.

Mike **Hale** is now the S3 of a Bde in the 1st Div after having the same job in a Bn for 6 months. Mike and Rita look forward to coming to West Point this coming July as Mike will be joining the Phys Dept. Mike kindly reported on some other classmates whom he has encountered: Pat **Hoy** is S3 of an Arty Bn in the 23d Arty Gp; Howie **Graves** is the S3 of an Engr Bn in the 1st Cav Div; Barnie **Legge** is an Arty Adv to the 5th ARVN Div Arty; Marty **Ganderson** is S3 of the 1st Bn, 16th Inf in the Big Red One; Connie **Leinback** is the Asst G2 in the 1st Div, and Glen **Peters** is a Bn XO in the 1st.

Frank **Egan** in our office here is in frequent contact with Buck **Shaffer**. Buck is now married and serving as the Asst G1 (Post) at Ft. Sill and expects a return ticket to RVN this summer. Jim **Madden**, after 2 tours in RVN and several wounds, is working in the OC of SA. Joe **Paone** is about to finish a Masters in ME at N.Y.U. and also expects to return to RVN this summer, leaving Lucille and the 2 girls in the New York City area. Jim **Winters** is still with ARADCOM at Ent AFB in Colo. Jim was a patient recently in the USAFA Hosp where he had some gall stones removed. Sandy **Walters**, who was married in 1966 and now has a daughter, is working for CDC at Ft. Knox. Dick **Skaggs** is in the Monterey, Calif. area (1155 Monarch Lane, Pacific Grove—for specificity) and (Doing what? I do not know—for lack of it).

John **Somercamp** included the ASSEMBLY on his K-2 Newsletter mailing list, and it is with pleasure that I paraphrase from it on those who have not been reported on recently in this column. Joe **Amlong**, our man in the '64 Olympics, almost did his thing again in Mexico. Seems that in the 2-man boat trials, his duo led all the way 'til the last 20 strokes when, according to Joe, his partner couldn't paddle his share of the canoe. Joe's brother was missed, I do believe. Great Falls, Mont., should now be the new home for the **Amlongs**. Joe is a missile launch officer.

Bob **Eveleth** is on his 3d tour in Asia (Korea, Thailand, Vietnam) as he serves with

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the 53d Sig Bn near Bien Hoa. Hank **Kenny** is recovering at Walter Reed subsequent to being shot in both legs during his last trip to RVN. His right leg is doing well, and he should be walking by now on his left leg by means of a below-the-knee prosthesis. Hank plans to teach Soc Sci at USMA next year. American U. is providing the international relations work. The **Lionettis** are back in El Paso, Tex., following Don's return from SEA where he was Hq Btry CO, IFF Arty, and Asst S3 at the Hq. Future plans envision a Master's and then to West Point as an instructor. Dennis **Rooney** is a Sig Adv in Northeast Thailand. He expects orders soon, possibly to RVN; Judy and the kids, Dennis Jr. (2) and Michael (1), are either in Korat or Chippewa Falls; can't tell from the info supplied. Congratulations are in order for Jim **Scott**. During his last SEA tour, Jim was awarded the DSC for valor and the SS. He spent the year located across the bay from Cam Ranh as a gun platoon Comdr and Asst S3 to the 10th Avn Bn. Judy, Jana Schell (6), and James A. (5) are happy to be moving to Ft. Rucker for some well deserved time together. Invitations are open to anyone passing through lower Ala.

Dick **Sheeder** is at State College, Pa., working as an engineer for HRB Singer. Dick went to Chicago last May to present a paper to the 2d National Symposium on Law Enforcement Science and Technology on setting up a computerized records-keeping system for a county jail. (West Point area formations are next). Tom **Sherburne** was married on 17 Aug to Nan Easterbrook at Ft. Ord, Calif. Bobbie and Don **Lionetti** were there for the occasion. Tom came home from his recent RVN tour 5 months early due to the same old problem: "wrong place at the wrong time." He attests his weakened condition had something to do with the above news. The Indonesian Language Course at Monterey, Calif., should be keeping the "groom" busy as a first step in the FAST program.

Ken Siegenthaler reports that he also was married. His wife, Phyllis, is from Gainesville, Tex., the town that hosted the wedding and celebration on 24 Aug. Ken took a 30-day leave in July and spent 15 days on a camera safari in the East African Game Park and the remaining time traveling to cities such as Capetown. Whew! Glad he got that out of his system before 24 Aug. Siege has applied to go back to school in physics under the Air Force Institute of Technology program—but doubts whether '69 will be the year. Anything to get away from Dover and navigating C-124's will suit him. John **Sommercamp** is working at Hq MAC, Scott AFB, in the Office of the Asst for Long Range Planning and Studies. It appears he will be leaving in early May to go back to school for an M.B.A. at San Diego State College, Calif. Marty brought John Owen Jr. into the world on 2 July. He weighed 8 lbs, 11 oz, and had a football under his left arm. Joe **Stewart** is assigned to Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. He's been trying to get away ever since, as "the work is too hard for a stateside job," (but the pay is poor). Their primary mission seems to be the tng of troops for SEA. Joe would like to take Marilynn, Pam (4) and Mike (2) to Europe or Hawaii for an assignment. (What about Anguilla?)

Bill **Townsend** has been working as Chief System Operator for the Brazos Electric Power Co., Waco, Tex., during the past 5 years. He says each promotion seems to keep him behind a desk more. Anyone passing through the area is invited to stop by and enjoy some Texas hospitality. Bill's family, Rosemary, Tami (7), and Bart (5) will probably be at the door to greet you. Hans **Wagner**, who is now married, is still with CDC at Ft. Knox. Bob **Zielinski** is stationed in Korat, Thailand, as the S1 in the 44th Engr Gp.

Phil **Sands** is now working in the Maint Div of the CMMI Br of Third Army at Ft. McPherson. Phil returned from a year's service in the Congo where he was an advisor to the L'Armee Nationale Congolaise, spending most of the year in Luluabourcy in the South Central Region.

Louise **Heiberg** presented Bill with a son William Lytle, on 13 Feb. Ann **Gronich** did just about the same thing for Bruce 3 weeks before when Martha Suzanne arrived. Carolyn **Harmon** delivered a new little boy to Jim in Mar, but I know not his name (Mini Moose?).

Our recent contributions to the Staff and Faculty here have been Don **Sawtelle** (MP&L) and Mike **Trinkle** (trying to keep John **Neiger** straight in the USCC Opns Shop). GO MIKE!

News is getting thin folks; witness this article. Write.

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I am happy to report that stage one of the educational fund is smoothly lifting off the ground. Bob **Martin** tells me that at this time 117 classmates have contributed $2050, which is approximately 25% of our goal for this year. If you have not sent in your contribution, let me urge you to do so. It should be unusually painless with the big pay raise just around the corner. By the way, the fund is now legally incorporated under the laws of New York.

Two more classmates have recently arrived up here, thus swelling our number to 23. Dick and Judy **James** got here about 6 months ago, and Jim and Val **Dunmyer** arrived in Mar. Dick is in the Avn Sec, and Jim joins Pat **Hueman** and Don **Street** in the Mech Dept. The **Streets**, or more specifically Genie, recently provided for the continuance of the family name by bringing son and heir Donald Jr. into the world. The Dave **Spanglers** also had a baby girl in Mar. Congratulations to the proud parents. The big news on this front is that 2 of our number are getting married in the very near future. Bill **Kosco** is marrying a delightful girl named Betty Strauss in Jun, and Phil **Browning** is being wed to pretty, perky Mary Ann Pizza in July. Even as a male chauvinist, I can testify that Messieurs **Browning** and **Kosco** are very lucky men. We are in fact all quite lucky to have these two lovely ladies joining the Class, and we wish both couples all the best in the world.

Although we have an ever-increasing number of people up here and in graduate school, we still have our share of folks really earning their bread and butter, or maybe I should say rice and fish. Joe **Rigby** seems to be one of our Main Men, as he is the Bde 3 of the 2d Bde, 25th Div. I'm sure that the 2 years at the U. of Texas which Joe is anticipating in the near future will seem tame compared to his present position. Rog **Andrews** is the advisor to the 18th Engr Bn at Xuan Loc. During Rog's stint overseas, Kappy and the 3 Andrews kiddoes are at home in Bethany, Conn. John **Dargle** is Opns O, G3 USARV. Don **Woeber** is the 9th Div Arty 4 and says Rog **Franke** is one of the Div Arty Asst 3's.

Ernie **Webb** is the 3 of the 2/503 in the 173d Abn Bde. After this tour Ernie will be going to Columbia U. to get an MA in English and then coming up to the Eng Dept. While Ernie is in Vietnam, Pat and the 2 children are living in Fairlawn, N. J. Lew **Higginbotham** just left the 4/503 to get a Bn 3 job in the 9th Div. While with the 503, Lew received long range radio transmissions from one "Oscar 1 Nurse," which some sleuth discovered to be Lew's wife in Bangkok. Not bad, Big Squad, not bad. Bill **Smith** is the Asst G3 O&D for the Big Red One, after having commanded a company for 6 months. Bill writes that Jerry **Comello** is Commandant of Schools in the 1st Div., and that Wayne **Parker** is 2d Bde 1.

Barry **Thomas** is Asst 3 of the 199th Lt Inf Bde. Three weeks prior to Barry's departure for VN his wife Pat presented him with a baby girl Stacey Lynne. Barry is hoping that he will be going to the U. of Alabama on his return to the States. Steve **Warner** is a Bde 4 in the 1st Cav and is expecting to return to the U. S. in Sept. Somebody warn the girls on the West Coast. Sam **Steele** is the 1 of the 108th Arty Gp after having helped move the 2/94 Arty out of Camp Carroll. Charlie **Shaw** is the Commandant of the Reliable Academy of the 9th Inf Div. Will **Remington** is 3 and XO of the 19th Engr Bn at Tam Quan; Will's wife Valerie and their 2 sons are living in Latham, N. Y. He reports that **Ailinger** and **Wilkerson** are next door in Hq of the 173. Dick **Ryer** is a fighter pilot flying an A-37; he calls Bien Hoa home base. Susan **Ryer** and son Doug remained at Moody AFB, Ga.

Neil **Nydegger** is a Co. Cmdr in the 5th Trans Bn of the 101st Abn Div. Fred **Hillyard** is Senior Advisor to the 11th Abn Bn; Fred's bride Ilse is staying on Oahu during his absence. Bob **Krause** is Senior Advisor to the 9th Abn Bn. Jack **Evans**, in VN for his second tour, is in the Spt Cmnd of the 101st Abn Div. Jim **Dodd** is Chief of Plans and Operations, G5, for the 9th Inf Div. Joe **Gross** is Senior Advisor of the 102d Cmbt Engr Bn at Hoi An. He is coming back to USMA on about 1 May. Jim **Blundell** is the S3 for the 15th S&S Bn (Am) of the 1st Cav Div. Dick **Sklar** is taking the 12 week Vietnamese language course at Monterey, Calif., prior to going to VN as an advisor to the Abn Div. Dick already has his MBA from the U. of Missouri, so he should be able to advise on a wide range of activities. Will **Harrison** is Plans Officer for CORDS, but has found out from Inf Br that his next duty station will be New Orleans; he will be at Tulane in opns research. In the true class espirit Will has issued a future invitation to all of us to come down to the Mardi Gras, but warns that we might have to sleep on the floor. That shouldn't be too bad if you are in the right spirits. That's about it from VN. From those of us over here to those of you over there, keep up the good work and keep your bean down.

Our graduate school contingent continues to increase rapidly. John and Martie **Ulmer** are in Knoxville, Tenn., where John is a civ grad student in urban planning. The **Scharpf** family (Frank, Betty, Jeanne Marie (4), and Danny (3) are in Syracuse. Frank is a geography student and will be coming up to ES&GS in July of 70. Bill **Christopher** and his wife Elizabeth are in Charlottesville, Va.; Bill is a 2d year law student. Our class's population explosion is happening among math students at R.P.I.; Ernie and Darleen **Zenker** and Dave and Sharon **Phillips** are

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carrying the main effort. Each couple now has 5 children.

Jim **Worthington** should be at Stanford to get his masters in opns research as his rotation date from VN was in Apr. Ed and **Peggy Starbird** are in Raleigh, as Ed is getting his M. S. in Nuc Engr. Don **Snider** is ducking the tear gas grenades at the U. of Wisconsin trying to get a masters in Econ. Don and wife Caroline had their first child, daughter Kara Lynn, last July. JJ and Kay **Kelly** are in rather more secure surroundings with JJ getting his M.S. in Nuc Engr at Tex A&M.

Dick and Judy **Gramzow** are also in College Station; Dick is getting his masters in meteorology. I think that I should throw in an Aggie joke at this juncture, but I can't remember one. Dick **Hartman** is a student a little further north at the U. of Oklahoma. Harry **Harris** is using the excess leave program to get his law degree at the U. of Ariz. **Lew Brown** and wife Linda are both Ph.D. bound in Pittsburgh and have the welcome mat out for any classmates passing through. Glen and Ann **Blumhardt**, at R.P.I., had a 9 lb. son in Jan. Guess who said: "Biggest thing I could come up with." C. O. **Bennett**, with wife Margie and 2 daughters, is in Waco, Tex., getting his law degree at Baylor. Denny **Benchoff** is a student at M.S.U. in East Lansing, Mich. He and wife Barbara had their first child Melissa Sloan in Dec.

Chuck **Dominy** is studying water resources at the U. of Illinois prior to going back to VN. He and Mary are expecting their 2d child in Apr. Chuck is also a self-appointed dove and pheasant quantity control officer. The **Lovgrens** (Art and Dagmar) are still having a great time absorbing Deutsch kultur, and a little German language, in Mainz. They report that the **Kirschenbauers** are there also. Both Art and George are coming up here to the German Dept. Dave **Armstrong** and new wife Lynne (they were married 28 Dec) are in Durham, N. C., with Dave studying military history at Duke. Gus and Patricia **Fishburne** left Ft. Meade, Md. and the 6th Cav Regt in May to go to Syracuse. Gus is going for a masters in comptrollership.

Bert **Goldberg** graduated from the Duke U. School of Medicine in Jan and is now an intern in the Dept of Surgery at Walter Reed. I imagine that Susan doesn't see him very much these days. Barry and Patty **Horton** are at the USAFA; Barry received his Ph.D. from Harvard in Mar and is an instructor in the Pol Sci Dept. Dan **Wick** was an instructor in astronautics at the AF Academy until recently, but is now working as a civ consultant for a firm in Colorado Springs.

Tom **Faley** is getting his M.S. in psychology from the U. of Miami in June and is then coming up to MP&L. Tom recently received from Julie **Kott** the very distressing information that Steve **Kott** was MIA. He was shot down on a night mission near Hanoi in Oct 67. I know that we are all united in praying for Steve's safe return. Julie's address is: Box 2029, Hendersonville, N. C.

In addition to VN and grad school we have classmates scattered hither and yon. Tom and Rae Ann **Murray**, and their 2 chillun, are at Ft. Sill, with Tom mucking it through the Advanced Course. Rufus and Judy **Crow**, also with 2 children, are living in Rochester. Rufus is an industrial engr at Eastman Kodak. Charlie **Bernitt** and Pete **Siedzick** are also at Kodak. They wined and dined Al **Biddison** in Dec when he was in town job-hunting. Ed and Sandy **Gleichman** are in Phillipsburg, N.J. Ed is an industrial engr with the Rock Drill Div of the Ingersoll-Rand Corp. Liz and Steve **Holderness** are in Cherry Hill, N.J.; Steve is working as an estate-planning financial advisor with the Conn Gen Life Ins Co., and enjoying it very much.

Will **Cannon** is the Coordinator of College Recruiting for the (no, not Dow Chem) Gulf Oil Corp. He, Judy, and 2 children live in Houston. Jerry and Janis **Seay** are also in Houston. Jerry is a Computer Sales Rep for Scientific Data Systems Inc. Mike and Judy **Schredl** are a little further west in San Jose, Calif. Mike is a teacher and baseball coach at A. P. Hill High in San Jose. Terry and Hilde **McCarthy** have joined Jim and Tina **Heldman** in Seattle. Terry is a Data Processing Rep with IBM. Denny and Diane **Bennett** are living in Miami, where Denny is a football and wrestling coach. He starts full time grad school in math this Sept. Denny says "come visit us anytime in the land of sunshine and surf."

Don **Chafetz** is an electrical engr for Esso Research and Engineering Co. in Florham Park, N. J. He and Betty live in a suburb of Dover, N. J. and have a 1½ year old son Ross. Jim **Gorman** is a DOD civ stationed in Wash. He and Polly are footloose and fancy free without a kiddo to "stabilize" them. Tom and Sally **Herre** are in Appleton, Wis. Tom is Project Manager, New Project Development, for the Kimberly-Clark Corp. Dick **Kent** is with DIA in the Pentagon. Tom **Kling** was medically retired on 1 Feb, and is now a general contractor in Clinton, Mass. Tom and Donna's last duty station was Colorado Springs, where Tom was an AFA Tac.

Our other Tac, Winston **Clark**, is the USMA exchange officer to Annapolis. He reports that the Middies are about the same, as his car was rustled prior to the A-N game. Ray **LoPresto** is a pilot with Northwest Orient Airlines. He and Judy live in St. Paul, and had No. 2 son in Jun 68. Ray reports that E. K. **Whiting** is in a tng class with Northwest. Dick and Theresa **Madden** are living in Westchester County. Dick is a special education teacher, studying for a masters at N.Y.U. at night. Mike **Moore** and his new wife Paula are living in Liberal, Kans. Mike is the manager of the Liberal Gas Co. and of Moore Farms. Jim and Christine **Seltzer** (ex-'62) are living in San Jose, Calif.; Jim is a stockbroker with F. I. duPont.

Dale and Sharon **Smith** are in Anderson, Ind., and extend an invitation to any classmate in the vicinity (30 miles east of Indianapolis) to stay with them. Dale is a production supervisor with Delco-Remy.

Bob and Bonne **Phillips** are at Hunter Army Air Field, Ga. Bob should be graduating about now from helicopter flight school. Carl **Morin** is Asst PMS at Pennsylvania Military College in Chester, Pa. Carl often sees John **Ferguson**, who is currently working on an MBA at the U. of Delaware. Bud and Claudette **Reeves** are in Athens, Ga.; Bud is an instructor in the ROTC Dept and reports that John and June **Winkler** are also at the U. of Georgia. Walt **Cooper** is reportedly there, also. Bill and Kathy **Burns** are at Ft. Belvoir. Bill is a project officer in the Studies Div of the USACD Engr Agency. Bill and Jane **Cauthen** are in Schwaebisch-Gmuend, Germany, where Bill holds down an Asst 3 job in the 56th Arty Gp Hq. He has been alerted for a spring return to VN, however.

Roy and Ann **Cole** have now completed their 2d year in Hawaii. Roy is Tng O, Hq, USARHAW. He reports that in his former job as aide to CG, USARHAW, he found out all the good poop about R&R facilities, etc., and is willing and able to pass them along to classmates contemplating taking their R&R in Hawaii. Charlie and Roseann **Fisher** are at Ft. Monmouth. Charlie is in the Sig Adv Course and will be graduating on 11 July. Charlie and Roseann recently visited Bill and Mary **Dieal** at Ft. Belvoir. Trevor and Linda **Dupuy** are in Bangkok. Trevor is in the FAST program and works in the attaché office of the embassy. He and Ron **Chisholm** play on the same softball team.

Matt **Whelton** is a Radar Navigator at Grand Forks AFB, N. Dak. He and Barbara have 2 sons and a daughter. Norm and Elaine **Grahn** are with the **Fishers** at Ft. Monmouth. Jim **Krause** left the Inf Adv Course for VN in Mar. Esther **Krause** will be staying in Worthington, Minn., for the year that Jim is away. Ron **Lane** returned early this year from a MACV assignment and is now Action Officer for Stability Opns, Strat Opns Div of HQ USACDC at Ft. Belvoir. He and Sharon live in Woodbridge and want anyone in the D.C. area to give them a call at 670-4727. Larry and Marilyn **Larsen** are in Troy, N. Y. Larry is in opns research at R.P.I.

In addition to the **Blumhardts**, the **Zenkers**, and the **Phillips**, all of whom have previously been mentioned, the following classmates are also at R.P.I.: **Crowell, McEnany, Gunderman, Mayo, Kays**, Roger **Brown, Helmuth**, and **Mundt**. Monk **Mooring** is S3, BCT Committee Gp, USATC, Inf at Ft. Ord, Calif. Monk saw Gerry **Garwick** while he was assigned to the 3d Marine Div. Gerry was CO of a 155 SP Btry. Jim **Mount** is at Ft. Sam Houston, and was the lone '62 rep at the Founders Day Dinner at Ft. Sam. Jim is in the shop of the DCSO&T for Fourth Army. Larry and Saundra **Needs** are at Ft. Bliss. John **Porter** should also be in school at Bliss by now, having left IIFF in Feb. Dick and Rita **Randazzo** are at the Satellite Test Center in Sunnyvale, Calif. Dick is Opns O for Program 110, and anticipates a June PCS to LA. Bill and Kris **Ross** are at Ft. Meade; Bill returned from VN in Dec and is now in the 3 sec of First Army Hq. Wedge **Rowe** is in Opns Team 2 of the National Emergency Command Post Afloat aboard the USS **Northhampton** (CC-1). His shore home is in Virginia Beach, Va., and he says that since he is at sea about half the time, the pad is always open to classmates who want to beach it for a while. Drop Ed a line at FPO New York 09501 (Include the ship's name).

Bob **Rumph** should be graduating from ADA Car Course about now, but at latest report did not know where he would be going from there. Fred **Sheaffer** will probably be at the job that he's in now for the next 3 years. He is an Intel Staff Officer in the Foreign Liaison Office, OACSI, at the Pentagon. Bob and Barbara **Sikorski** have recently moved from Aberdeen PG to Redstone Arsenal, Ala. Bob is with SENSCOM. Paul and Patricia **Wertz** have been at Benning for a few months now. Paul started the Apr Course. They have one son Michal and another child expected soon.

Wayne **Willis** and Cliff **McKeithan** are at the FA Car Course, and Ed **Hamilton** is in the class behind them. Wayne and Joanne are going to Charlottesville, Va., in Sept so Wayne can get his M.S. in physics. They will then come up here in '71. Will and Sandy **Worthington** are at Belvoir. Others in Will's Adv Course Class are: **Irwin, Waggoner, Simoneaux**, and **Witzel**. The Big Squad gives 3 cheers to J. J. **Spencer** and his bride Donna. They were married 1 Mar, and

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their best man and matron of honor were Bill and Barbara **Boozer.** J. J. is now a Bn Advisor in Bien Hoa Province. Rog **Havercroft** is also on a MACV assignment. Rog and Pam, who were married on 2 Mar 68 while Rog was at the Inf Car Course, are expecting their first baby at the end of Apr. Best wishes to Mother and the New Baby.

Barry **Butzer** sent a superb letter from Ft. Benning. He, Nancy, and son Scottie left Benning in Apr after Barry graduated from Car Course 1-69. They are now at Ft. Belvoir with Barry being Dir of Mil Tng and Athletic Dir for the USMA Prep School. In his letter Barry included poop about a great number of classmates who have been in the Benning area. Jim **Lindsey** is working in G1 and is compiling a complete list of classmates in the area. Inf Car Course Class 4-68 graduated in Jan; among our folks in that class were: Ralph **Pryor,** Bob **Ord,** Jim **Spencer,** Ralph **Burr,** Sam Wasaff, Roger **Lee,** Reed **Franks,** Bill **Boozer,** Butch **Darrell,** Pete **Hameister,** Jim **Krause,** and Larry **Remener.** Ralph Pryor is going to a MACV assignment, and **Boozer, Darrell** and **Hameister** are in USARV assignments. Mary Lynne **Pryor,** Tina **Darrell,** and Sally **Hameister** are all spending the year in Hawaii. Reed **Franks** stayed in the Weapons Dept at Benning. Bob and Gail **Ord** have gone to Ft. Meade where Bob has assumed his duties as aide to CG, 1st Army.

Sam **Wasaff** is joining the crowd at R.P.I. With Barry in 10AC 1-69 were: John **Regan,** Wayne **Snow,** Don **Price,** Don **Perdew,** and John **Kendall.** Wayne and Don **Price** have gone to MACV, John **Kendall** is now with the 1st SFG on Okinawa, and Don **Perdew** has gone to U.S.C. to get a masters in geology prior to coming up to ES&GS. Inf Car Class 2-69 includes Geof **Withers,** Neil **Hyde,** Rich **Foss,** and Scotty **McGurk.** Scotty and Ron **Brown** went up to Harry **Hagerty's** wedding in Wash. some time in Jan. From all reports things haven't changed too much in our old age. Hap **Boyd** and Howie **Prince** are still in Class 3-69, and will be in for a few more months. Howie will be coming up here to teach German in the fall of '70.

Al and Lynda **Rushatz,** and their 2 children, are in New Delhi, India. Al is an aide and a pilot over there. John **Franck** is S3 of the 1st of the 505th, 82d Abn Div. Don **Williamson** is studying political science at the U. of Hawaii, and he and Sue are loving every minute of the idyllic Hawaiian existence. Jim and Becky **Acklin** are likewise enamoured of their life in London. Both of these couples, on either side of the globe, extend the hand of invitation to any classmates passing through.

Chris **Keuker** is out of the hospital and has been by to visit here and in New York City. Don **Babb** is still in Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver recovering from the traumatic amputation of his legs. He has recently gotten his new legs and has learned to use them so well that only stairs bother him. We certainly hope that Don breaks out of the hospital soon.

Our condolences go to Tom **Middaugh.** His wife Judy died of multiple sclerosis in Aug of 68. Tom is presently S3 of the 3d Sq of the 11th Cav in Xuan Loc. He is scheduled to return to this country in May. Steve **Sperman** just called. He is a stockbroker in E. F. Hutton's New York office. He reports that Frank **Caufield** is also in the city with a management consulting firm. Dave **Symanski** is a big city banker; Steve thinks that it's with Chemical, but is not sure. John **Fee** and Joe **Wojcik** are both working for Johnson and Johnson. Russ **DeVries** is now in business with his brother-in-law; they make electronic components of some type for the textile industry. Rick **Cesped** is working for Kaiser Engineering on the West Coast. Rick is getting in thermonuclear engineering. Buzz **Kriesel** is in the FAST program and is currently at the U. of Minnesota prior to going to India.

Thanks everybody for responding to the class mailing. Keep me informed, and please don't forget the educational fund.

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Perhaps the first order of business is a hearty "well done" to Dewey **LaFond** who has carried these notes so faithfully forward over the past six years. You have our thanks, Dewey, and the best wishes of all '63.

As Dewey mentioned in the last column, several folks at the reunion in Oct expressed an interest in locating the Scribe at West Point. Breaking the old rule "Never volunteer," I jumped in and accepted. For the next few years, with an increasing representation of our Class at West Point, we can pass this job on to each new and eager recipient, and keep the Scribe writing right here on the Hudson. I know you always skip the part of the column which begs you to write and let me know what you're up to—new jobs, babies, honors, and challenges—but as I am brand new at this, it is particularly important. Clark and Nona **Ballard** here with the Phys Dept suggest that each of our old cadet companies has one or two confirmed "letter-writers" and as I sort of suspect that may be true, when you start dashing off all those newsy essays, drop one my way. I know D2 has a circulating letter, and that is one way to keep every one "up to date," if we can start one in the rest of the companies. End of my plea—but write now!

When the deadline for these notes crashed home the other day, I asked everyone here at West Point to holler about their friends. The reply was great, and so I do have a bit of news.

1963: Ken Hollander is advising the 6th ARVN Ranger Group, and his wife Briane is living in Walnut Creek, California.

1963: S. Kent Wall and Carolyn are in Winston-Salem where Kent has accepted a position with the Hanes Corporation.

First: those here. Mike and Nan **Allen** and little Curtis (and two large grey cats) live in Highland Falls, and Mike is in the Dean's Office. He'll start this summer on his MBA degree at NYU. Upstairs in the "highest stone tower in the world" Paul **Stanley,** Ed **Banks,** and Hank **Morris** are all busy telling our nation's youth about West Point. They have all arrived at the Admissions Office since last summer. B. F. **Miller** and Dottie are down in Haverstraw, and Bruce teaches Chem. All the Yearlings think BF in Chem and Clark **Ballard** in Phys are pretty fine sugar daddies; don't give anything but 3.0s. Jim and Heather **Ruth** are with Soc Sci (Jim doesn't give anything higher than a 2.0), and Heather is working for Mayor Lindsay in New York. They have a plush apartment in Peekskill. Jim and Sibley **Hannigan** are here (Sibley you may see driving a team of horses past the Garrison Railroad Depot in "Hello Dolly") where Jim is making computers give Plebes baffling answers to their programs. Mike **Keaveney** is in the Info Office and is bemoaning the snow's melting, while Kay is about to give our Class another son or daughter. Congratulations! Pat **Tate** is teaching Cows about thermodynamics (ugh!) in the Mech Dept, and he and Juanita and Jonathan are living on post. Andy **Seidel** and Len **Gregor** are teaching strange notations (remember the STM's?) over in the Math Dept, and Gail and Beth are trying to keep up on the "new math." That's about it here —13 so far and lots coming this summer—names I have heard are Woody **Hotman** to Phys and Bob **Foley** wrote Rodger **Bivens** at the U. of P. that he was on his way. Rodger and his fiancee Karen were at WP for a visit recently.

Jack **Shepard** came by the other day and said he had transferred to the Air Force. He and Diana and Christopher are on their way to Lubbock for flight school. Jack said that Jim **DeWire** is an aide at Ft. Hood.

Notes given me in the past week: John **Ellerson** is at Ft. Sill in the Career Course.

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John was the Supe's Aide here until last summer. Joe **Bianco** is assigned to the 10th TFS in Germany, and I understand he and Rose Ann had another little girl (Nicole) in early Jan. Congratulations to you both! Jack **Ford** stopped by for a football game last fall. Jack is finishing up the downhill part of a tour in RVN by now. Football games also draw Jim **Doherty**, Jerry **Stonehouse**, Lou **Sill** and Al **Thompson** back during that season. They all are in the area now, having "retired" from the wandering life.

I saw Tom **Vaughn** at the Navy game, but he didn't tell me about Ann. Hank **Morris**, however, dropped off a newspaper clipping from the MOUNT AIRY TIMES which is all about Tom's engagement to Ann Lewis. It includes a photo of Ann, and she is a real pretty southern belle. June wedding in Essex, Va., and then U. Va. grad school. Best wishes to you both, Ann and Tom.

Writing about Tom reminded me of a pile of news releases I have—the first one is about another North Carolinian, Kent **Wall**. He and Carolyn are living in Winston-Salem with their three children. Kent is with the Hanes Corp. I have a good picture which came with the release, and it's going to the ASSEMBLY with these notes. (Sorry, Kent!) Ken **Hollander**, according to another release (from Vietnam), is with the 6th ARVN Ranger Gp near Saigon. Briane is living in Walnut Creek, Calif. Larry **Dapra** has just completed his MS degree at the U. of Pitt., and is now with Kathleen at Scott AFB, Ill. Another notice in my pile is all about Bud **Hall**, who has completed the Air University's Squadron Officer School at Maxwell. Judith and he are headed for Cannon AFB, N.M. and will be with the Tactical Air Command.

I have quite a long letter from Jay **Westermeier** in Washington, where he is working on his MA degree at G.W. Jay was working for Gen. Johnson for a time, and in between classes now is the president of a large club in D.C. He mentions the following and what they're doing: Jack and Barbara **Dwyer** and daughter Malia and son Ryan are in Erie, Pa., with the family business. Ty **Tyler** is studying Data Processing at the U. of Ga. in Athens. Ray **Bagby** recently departed the command (this is unbelievable) of Hq Co., US Army. Sixteen hundred people in his company! Pam and Ray are now at Monterey studying Thai. Their daughters Lisa and Portia must have fun listening to Ray and Pam talk that around the table. Pam and Max **Barron** are at Purdue with Elise and Christina. Brad **Jones** is studying law at William and Mary. Gary **Vote** and John **Walker** are in RVN; Larry and Carol **Medlin** are at G.W. studying business. Jay mentions that Homer and Penny **Holland** are in Washington. Homer is on the Army Staff as an Opns Research Analyst. Homer was the Honor Graduate at the Sig Car Course. Fine work, Homer!

Bob **Scheidig** wrote a letter to the AOG which found its way to me during the Scribe change. I apologize for the delay Bob, but here goes: At 1246 hours on 26 Jan 1969 the **Scheidig's** family increased by one—David Bradford **Scheidig** weighed in at eight pounds thirteen ounces at the Ft. Knox Hospital. And even more births do I have here: Lynn and Al **Scott** with little Sara Lynn on 20 Feb and Virginia and Mike **McCormack** report that Glenn Edward arrived on 29 Dec. Congratulations and all the best to each of you!

Luke **Woods** is at the III Corps Compound in Bien Hoa where he is aide to the Dpty Senior Advisor for III Corps. Luke says he'll be there until early July, along with John **Dorland** (aide to DCG, IIFFV) and Carl **Beach** (aide to CG, 9th Div). Tom **Wilson** and Al **Christensen** are in the 1st Air Cav. Al has just been awarded his 2d SS, according to his sister Nona **Ballard**. Luke had written the above to Ed and Marty **Tezak**. They are at Quantico, where Ed is studying with the Marines. In June they'll be headed for WP where Ed will join Pat **Tate** in Mech.

I've got addresses for most of these people, and if anyone wants them, give me a holler. I will trade addresses for news!

Out on the West Coast, Pete and Nancy **Weyrauch** are living in a beautiful place overlooking the Golden Gate Bridge at Ft. Scott. Pete is aide to Maj. Gen. Franklin, the DCG of Sixth Army. Pete wrote the day after the Founders Dinner at the Presidio and said there were some folks from 1963 at the party: Harv **Orndorf** (with Kaiser Industries in Oakland), Ed **Carns** at Sixth Army, Tom **Casey** down at Stanford as the Asst PMS, Tom **Gallagher**, commanding a Nike-Hercules Btry in San Raphael, and Jack **Wilson**, S4 of the 40th ADA Bde. Thanks for the news, Pete—keep it coming.

I have a long Christmas message which was passed on to me from Susie and Phil **Bosma**. Phil wrote it while Susie was in the hospital with their newest: Kevin David. Phil has been with the ROTC group at Florence State U. in Ala. and is teaching 16 hours a week. He reports that young Alan is now three years old. Phil says from Ala. it's to be either Benning or RVN. Other Xmas cards: Joe and Diane **Godsey** in Cincinnati, Doug **Johnson** at Ft. Sill, Frank and Barbara **Cardile** at Stanford studying aeronautical engineering (Frank, Barbara, and Claudie are due here this summer, I think), Bob and Mary Anne **Mayer** in law school (I don't know where, Bob), Don and Marjorie **Reid** at Vandenburg AFB with their children Karen and Chris, Jack and Susie **Davis** at Ft. Sill (not too far from Tex., Jack), and Ivan, Jeanne, Shawn, and Courtney **Farris** are now at the ADA Car Course.

Sandy and Jim **McCarver** are at Ft. Lee where Jim is in the QM Car Course. They were up to both the reunion and the last Navy game. Sandy says Va. is warmer than Philadelphia in Nov, but I don't believe it! Terry and Elaine **Alger** are at the Naval Postgraduate School where Terry is working on his degree in nuclear engineering (effects). Sounds like a nice, crystal clear sort of subject, Terry. Somebody told me the other day that Terry and Elaine are from the same hometown as Kay **Keaveney**: Geneseo, N.Y. Small world! John **Goorley** is back in RVN after finishing the Car Course at Benning. He said "there are dozens of classmates" down there.

Bill and Marion **Alexander** are in Pittsburgh, Pa., where Bill is working on his MA in Bus Admin. Marion mentions that they saw Dick **Weber** and the **Wheelers** recently. Ray, Ilse, and Thomas **Klopotek** are in Calif. at Edwards AFB. They all went to Bremen for Christmas where Ray says Thomas saw his first snow. (I hope I have seen my last here at WP, but Mike **Keaveney** loves it).

Nan and Mike **Allen** had Dean and Karen **Dowling** and me over to supper the other night, and I got some news from their combined recollections: Dean is working on his MA in English at Columbia and will come to the Eng Dept in 1970. Dick **Scharf** and his bride Sandy (congratulations!) are in Green Castle, Ind. Dick is building an ammo dump near Indianapolis. Andy **Gothreau** and Pam and their new baby girl are studying Russian at Monterey. Chuck **Workman** and Carol are in Cleveland, Ohio, where Chuck is Vice-President of a tool and die manufacturing firm. Gordy **Holterman** is in RVN, and Barbara, Eric, and Gordon await his return to Myrtle Beach, S.C. Kip and Judy **Jenison** are at the U of Ariz. in Tucson. Russ and Jean **Hanson** and their three children are in Va. at the Trans School (Ft. Eustis). Brent **Pope** has transferred to the Ord Corps, and he and Barbara are at Aberdeen, Md.

Down in Washington, Steve **Popielarski**, Jay **McClatchey**, and Frank **Hall** are all living in one of those high-rise palaces complete with swimming pools, game rooms, and lots of good scenery! After the car course at Ft. Belvoir, they are all remaining in the area in other jobs, I understand. Steve has been assigning lieutenants to RVN from his OPO desk and answering a lot of irate phone calls! From that source, I hear that Sam **Davidson** is commanding Hq Co of the 809th Engr Bn in northern Thailand. Sam joined the Engrs soon after graduation.

Curry **Vaughan** is now an Army Chaplain with the 173d Airborne Bde in RVN. My sister Nancy reports that she and the two little Vaughans are keeping well with Dad in San Francisco. Nancy is usually on the golf course when she's not changing diapers!

Lastly, Mike **Allen** handles your requests for transcripts when you send for them (but he can't give them to you free!), and several people have let me know where they are through Mike's checking letters: Dan **Demchuk** at Knox, Ed **Hill** at Ft. Missoula, Mont. and Chris **Wangsgard** at Ft. Leonard Wood.

One last item: a couple of people have suggested that we get class blazer crests in gold or nylon thread and sell them on an individual basis. Any ideas?

Writing one of these columns is like writing in the past—for you are reading these notes three months after I write them. The news is hardly of the flash sort, therefore, and I ask your patience in reading of things you were doing months before! Again, I want to thank Dewey **LaFond** for a good job and a lot of hours penning more than five years of news.

The next deadline will be upon me as you read this, so drop a line from wherever you are. Have a good summer!

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Before going ahead with the class notes, I want to correct some poop I put out in the last column about the Class Reunion. Our official reunion will take place during Homecoming Weekend (3-5 Oct 69). After debating the pros and cons of it all, it was apparent that this date would be the most appropriate time for the event, rather than June Week. So, we will try and keep you informed. However, it probably wouldn't be a bad idea to start making reservations at West Point right now.

Also, I would like to point out to everyone who would like to make a timely contribution to the class column that the ASSEMBLY publishes the deadline dates for the class columns in each issue. Therefore, if you keep an eye out for this information, you have the opportunity to drop me a line several weeks before the deadline date and provide me with hot poop—and not something that might end up two or three months

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1964: Mike Miller and Jerry Lynskey standing in front of a Vietnamese toupee shop.

dated. Of course, any mail is always welcomed and is put to good use.

EUROPE—As always, the news of classmates in Europe is scarce. As time goes along, however, I would expect that more of us will be coming this way. Dixie and I are comfortably settled in Augsburg with the 3d Bn, 19th Inf. Since I had been flying a couple of years, I had forgotten how hard the Infantry worked and that one could expect some field duty occasionally. But, as that old saying goes, it's "good training." Bill **Beck**, who is assigned to the aviation section of the 35th Arty Gp in Bamberg, writes that he and Dot had a boy born on 27 Aug 68—the name is Daniel. They also have another boy Michael, who will be three in July. Bill has an additional duty as Asst S3 of the Gp and informs me that he will probably be going on ground duty over here very shortly. He also relates that Max **Johnson**, who had been working as VII Corps Arty Asst S3 at Stuttgart, left for RVN in Mar. Polly, his wife, is pregnant, but I guess Max will be gone when the stork arrives. Bill also wrote that Bill and Carol **Seely** are presently at the Sig Car Course at Ft. Monmouth and that Al and Janet **Fulco** are stationed at Ft. Holabird.

A card from George and Merrill **Domas** announced the birth of Stephen McConnell on 16 Dec 68, a brother for Matthew who is number two son. (or is he number one son?) Anyhow, George is still studying at L'Institute d'Etudes Politiques in Paris. They leave there about the first of July.

A couple of days before Dixie and I left Heidelberg for Augsburg in Jan, we had a surprise visit from Pete and Carol **Shaughnessey**. They had recently arrived in country and had just picked up their car at Bremerhaven when they stopped by to say hello. Pete is working in the AF office of VII Corps Hq at Stuttgart.

SOUTHEAST ASIA—I received a lot of poop from Chris **Shore** recently who has a Co. in the 101st. He had been ADC for the Berlin Brigade Commander here in Germany last year. Before going to RVN, he ran into quite a few classmates during his leave. He visited with Ben and Bette **Sternberg** in Paris and also saw George **Domas**. (Ben and George are studying at the same place I believe). Skipping around stateside, Chris also saw Bill and Mary **Murdy** near Boston, Mike **Leonard** in Wash., D.C., Al **Hottell** at Ft. Bragg, Chet **Kempinski** in Fayetteville, and finally, Dick **Nowak** in San Francisco. When he arrived at Bien Hoa, he promptly ran into Bill **Landgraf** and Nick **Nahas** who were on their way home! Since that time, he has seen Pat **Graves**, Dave **Bramlett**, Buster **Heneman** and Ken **Eklund**. All these guys are in the 101st. Chris has also heard from Joe **Zengerle** who is trying to get into law school.

Jim **McCormack's** wife, Judy, writes that Mac has a Hq Co in the 210th Avn Bn at Long Binh. He had been editor of the aviation news magazine that circulates throughout RVN.

Bill **Mayhew** writes from Hqs, MACV, that all is well. He and his wife Norma have one son, 19 months old. He says that he has seen Jay **Bennett**, Tom **Woolsey**, and Gene **Sullivan** since arriving back in country.

News releases indicate that Tom **Kerns** is a member of the 11th Inf Bde, Americal Div as of Nov 68. His wife Carol is living in Altoona, Pa. Also, Leo **Spinelli** is deputy accounting and finance officer in a unit of the Pacific Air Forces. Before his arrival in Thailand, he was assigned at Oxnard AFB, Calif.

CONUS—I have news that Bob and Georganne **Crowder** are assigned to a unit of the Air Weather Service at England AFB, La. Bob had been in SEA, assigned at Udorn Royal Thai AFB, Thailand. Frank **Knight** just graduated from the Air University's Squadron Officer School at Maxwell AFB, Ala., and is now assigned to the Office of Special Investigations, Wash., D.C., for duty as a management analyst. Also a recent grad of the Air University is Cliff **Williams**, who was reassigned to Lowry AFB, Colo., for duty as a management engineering officer with the Air Training Command.

A word of high praise goes to Bob **Almassy**, who received a certificate recently naming him a member of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. This honor goes only to those students whose academic standing, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and future potential are decidedly above average.

Bill **Miller** wrote from USC where he and his wife Carolyn are participating in the master's program. They are expecting their first child in May. Bill says he's off to the Ord Dept at West Point in June '70 for instructor's duty. They extend their welcome to any classmates and wives, or wives en route to Hawaii R&R, when in the area. Their address is 2452 Hill St., Santa Monica, Calif. Telephone number is 396-6696. Other poop provided by Bill is that Doug **Barr** was married last Dec to Kay Aarhaus at Aberdeen, Wash. They are now at the Armor Car Course, Ft. Knox. Attending the wedding were Bob **Ballagh** and John **Harnisch**. Bob and his wife Ella are at Ft. Sill in the Arty car course before heading for grad school and a degree in Military History. John and his wife Peggy are at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., where John is XO of a tng bn. In his letter, Bill also mentioned that Andy **Andrews** is with the Americal Div in RVN where he is CO of a Hqs btry in the only Hawk Bn in Vietnam. Andy's wife Maria is living in El Paso, Tex, until his return.

Jim **Jinks** wrote me a fantastic letter awhile back reporting the news of many, many classmates. I think that he included the activities of the entire Class. I always enjoy quoting master James; his latest comes from the first paragraph of his letter and is as follows: "Will write a letter reporting activities—nefarious and otherwise—of classmates in the Lawton-Ft. Sill area. . . . There are undoubtedly some that I will neglect to mention as my capacity for remembering is extremely limited in scope." Anyhow, Jim says the following classmates are enrolled in the car course down there: **Ballagh, Biank, Darrow, Hall, D., Horstman, Howard, Johnson, Lamkin, Kirkpatrick, Michela, Nowak, Payne, Pittman, Pope, Reed, Seiler, Walk,** and **Wynn**. Classmates instructing are: **Buckley, Chapman, Conway, Induni, McCoy, Miller,** and **Zimmerman**. **Jim Daly** just left there for Korea. Poet laureate **Jinks** reports that many of these troops expect to go to grad school upon completion of the car course. Jim says that he and Darlene continue their "daily existence in the usual poverty stricken manner." (???)

Mike **Miller** also wrote me from down Ft. Sill way and sent a picture I'd like to put up for some kind of an award. I've forwarded it to the ASSEMBLY editors in hopes that they'll print it. Mike and Jerry **Lynskey** appear in the pix—I thought I had hair problems. If there had been any more light bouncing off their domes, the camera would have been blinded. Incidentally, Mike picked

1964: Chuck and Judy Jackson's wedding reception, 11 January 1969. From left to right: Dick and Audrey Puckett; Bob Walters; Judy and Chuck; Ann and Jimmy Muir; Kathy and Bill Connor.

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up the Legion of Merit in RVN for his good work.

Fred **Pope**, also at Ft. Sill, (you guys do good work down there) reports Dick **Williams**, Dan **Evans**, Dick **Dexter**, and Tom **Kullman** at Ft. Benning. He indicates that Pete **Meyer** and Don **Shive** are at Ft. Knox. Fred brought up an interesting question. How many of our ranks have had twins (or greater) born to them? I have no idea, but would like to know about it. I can't imagine anyone having triplets—but maybe so. Fred points out that Dick and Roni **Williams** had a pair back in Mar '65 and that Don and Pat **Shive** had twins in the fall of '67. Other than those, we have no info on anybody else. Probably the most important word from Fred was that the Class Godson, David **Pope**, is well and healthy, and "is a real little devil." Fred was going to send a picture, but little David "neatly crumpled it up."

Dave **Wade** writes announcing the birth of a son in Nov '68 named David Carlisle. Big Dave is presently attending the U. of Ala. getting a Masters in bus admin. He says that Bill **Guthrie** is an ROTC instructor at Ga. State U. and that Jack **Bergen** is on an Advisory Team in RVN. Also Ron **Smith** is presently living in San Jose, Calif.

I received a lot of poop from Art **Kelly** at Ft. Totten. (I think Ft. Totten is near Flushing, N.Y.) He and his wife Michele just finished the advanced course at Ft. Monmouth in Jan and now Art is working on an M.A. in English at Columbia U. After that, he heads for the Engl Dept at West Point. He relates that he, Frank **Collins**, and Buddy **Kelton** were in the same course at Monmouth. Frank is now at the U. of Texas for a Masters in Business and Buddy is flying U-8's in RVN (second tour). Bill **Seely** is scheduled for UCLA soon and a masters in Motion Picture and TV production (huh!!!) and Bill **Cesarski** is at West Point teaching Space Physics in E.S.&G.S. Art states that Bill got his M.S. from MIT in Nuclear Engineering. Also, Ted **Togashi** is at Monmouth working on the Electronics Command. He leaves for RVN in June. Doug **O'Neal** is presently taking Automatic Data Processing at Monmouth and then will be in the advanced course. Art says that he has seen Eric **Bischoff**, Les **Charron**, Bobby **Reich**, Pete **McAteer**, Jim **Cobbs**, Danny **Klunk**, Jack **Miller**, Chris **Orndorff** and Tom **Thomas** at the Sig Center at one time or another. Furthermore, he says that Lenny **Fly** is stationed at Ft. Hamilton as the Inf LnO at the Chaplain's School (I believe I got it right). Art attended some football games last year and saw many of our classmates. He points out that Gary **Johnson** is working in the football office at West Point; Jay **Cope** is attending the Armor advanced course as is Doug **Alitz**; Marty **Green** extended six months in RVN; Ken **Ordway** is out of the Air Force and attending grad school; Harvey **Fraser** (with Ph.D.) is working for I.B.M.; and he named a long list of classmates he saw at the Navy game. He also informed me that Ed Mackey is teaching at Ft. Bliss in the Arty school. If I got many letters like the one Art sent, I'd have no problem keeping up with the activities of the entire Class.

I also received a nice letter and picture from Chuck **Jackson** who is in the car course at Benning. Believe it or not, Chuck was married on the 11th of Jan to an Army Captain—a very pretty one. (She may rank me, I'd better be careful). Judy and Chuck met at Tripler US Army General Hospital where he was recovering from wounds received in RVN and where she was an Army nurse. They were married in the Ft. Shafter Chapel in Hawaii. The Army proved itself worthy of note by curtailing Judy's assignment and reassigning her to Martin Army Hospital at Benning. Incidentally, Chuck was wounded while serving as Bn advisor to the 7th Airborne Bn—the first allied unit sent to Hue during the TET offensive. There he received wounds that sent him to the hospital for 6 months.

I will close the column now before the editors of ASSEMBLY send me a bill for taking too much magazine space. Before I do close, I must provide a quote, source of which is unknown to me, to leave you with a final thought. Remember, "a fountain pen in hand, is worth two in the desk drawer." (WOW!!) Write when you can.

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Our faithful scribe, Grant **Fredricks**, left for Vietnam in January and asked me to take over the column since I am assigned to West Point. Of course, I am happy to have the job. Grant left Stanford University with an MA and is now CO of B Co, 589th Engr Bn APO SF 96321, (Phan Rang, RVN). Anita is remaining in East Palo Alto, Calif. I am a pilot in the 2d Avn Det, USMA, flying out of Stewart AFB. My wife Gerry and I are anxious to see any classmates passing through the area.

Ray and Ginny **Paske** and Jim and Cathy **Scheiner** are also stationed at West Point. Ray is aide to the Commandant. He has been here since April 67, and expects to leave this summer. Ray and Ginny were married last August. Jim is CO of the 50th Engr Co. Cathy is doing graduate work at Manhattan College. I learned from Jim about Bob **Huffhines** and Dan and Sue **Christman**. Bob is an AF lawyer stationed at Hanscomb AFB, Mass., and he recently passed the California Bar exam. Dan will be finishing his graduate work at Princeton in both public affairs and civil engineering in June. Barrie **Zais** is an advisor to the 1st ARVN Div after having completed a tour as CO of the Honor Guard Co., 3d Inf, "Old Guard," at Ft. Myer. I learned this from his brother Mickey, who is in the Class of '69.

We have seen George and Carol **Bell** and Mark and Linda **Sheridan** recently. George completed AG school last fall and is an ROTC instructor at Akron, Ohio. Carol had a second baby boy, Brian, in January. Mark was medically retired in November as a result of wounds and is now an executive with a large banking concern in New York City. He was awarded the Silver Star for the action in which he was wounded. They recently bought a lovely house in Garden City, New York.

1965: Joseph P. Kosciusko received his 2d award of the DFC, 19 awards of the Air Medal, and the USAF CM at Holloman AFB, New Mexico, for action in Vietnam.

Mike and Lynn **Hudson** are at Ft. Dix where Mike is CO of the Avn Sec. He gave me this info: Joe **Anderson** is also at Ft. Dix as an aide; Bob **Axley** is taking the advanced course at Ft. Monmouth; Tom **Sheckells** is at Andrews AFB and plans to attend law school at George Washington University after he gets out in June, and Chuck **Shaw**, at Wright-Patterson AFB, will also be getting out in June. I saw Denny and Diane **Hawker** at the ARMY-Navy game. Denny has a Co. at Ft. Knox.

I ran into Ernie **Westpheling** at the Supper Club at Ft. Benning. Being one of the nation's most eligible bachelors, I suppose it is only natural that he was surrounded by beautiful young women. Ernie was really helpful in giving me a list of all the people at Ft. Benning. This is as of 26 Feb. In the Advanced Course are: Ernie **Westpheling**, Tommy **Shaw**, Leo **Konermann**, Tom **Kovach**, Frank **Hennessee**, Tom **Genetti**, John **Anderson**, Ken **Moorefield**, John **Longhouser**, Toby **Halvorson**, Norm **Boyter**, Ron **Bailey**, Bob **Zonne**, Bruce **Clarke**, Ken **Cherry**, Bob **Bradley** and Art **Mark**. Mike **Matteson**, Pete **Linn** and Tom **Van Dyk** will also be in the Advanced Course by the time you read this. Billy **Mitchell**, Bob **Guy**, and Bill **Connolly** are with the Ranger Dept, Bill in the mountain phase. These people are on their way from Benning to Vietnam, or are already over there: Chris **Needels** (CO in 101st), Jim **Long** (advisor), Denny **Chudoba** (196th), Nat **Kniker**, Hugh **Kelley**, Kim **Olmstead**, Wes **Taylor**, Ron **Walter** (173d), Dean **Loftin**, Sonny **Arkangel**, and Joe **Hindsley**. Harry **Jenkins**, George **Ruggles**, John **Connor**, Ralph **Hallenbeck**, James **Helberg**, and Bob **Stowell** are assigned to various units at Benning. **John Ritch** has departed Benning to play Army basketball in California; Jim **Peters** is teaching Signal subjects to infantrymen; Dan **Speilman** is attending the U. of Texas. Congratulations to Mike and May Belle **Teeters** on the birth of Susan Michell on 7 Feb. That's all from Ernie at Ft. Benning. One infantryman who isn't at the Advanced Course there is Bob **Frank**, who is at the Armor Career Course at Knox.

We heard from Dot **Powers**. Thom is presently in Vietnam as an advisor south of Bac Lieu, but should be back in the States by the time you read this. Mike **Abbott** is opns officer in the 184 Recon Airplane Co. (O-1), APO SF 96289. Anita **Fredricks** passed on letters from Rick **Wetherill** and John **Swensson** who were both in Vietnam when they wrote the letters. Rick was due back in April. John gave a lot of information about classmates in VN, but at least some are already back, since the letter was written in January, and are mentioned elsewhere. He did say that Billy **Mitchell**, Lou **Csoka**, and Nick **Principe** had been awarded the SS. I was extremely sorry to learn from John that another one of our classmates, John **Hays**, was killed in November. I do not know the circumstances other than that he died of a wound received during hostile ground action in VN. It's always sad to learn of such news, and I'm sure I speak for the Class in sending our sympathies to Leslie and John's family.

This news from sources via the AOG. Glade **Bishop** received his second SS in Nov, and Joe **Kosciusko** got the DFC for action over the A Shau Valley in an F-4. Joe is presently at Holloman AFB, N.M. I got a last-minute-before-the-deadline-letter from Todd **Higley**. She reports that John left Hawaii for VN at the end of November and is assigned to the

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Army Concept Team at USARV Hqs. John expects to go to Ft. Holobird next, if his transfer from Arty to MI is approved. Todd and 22-month-old Brent are remaining at 1312-D Goode St., Schofield Barracks, APO SF 96557. Todd would like to meet any classmates in Hawaii and says she will be glad to give assistance or answer questions for any classmates going to Hawaii for R and R. At Hqs USARV, John saw Terry **Ryan**, Jim **Golden**, and Ed **Foehl**. Ed is now at Ft. Bliss.

My next deadline is 15 June so write or call before then if possible; otherwise it would be a good idea to hold off until around 1 Sept. That way the news will be as current as possible. Feel free to send pictures, preferably B and W prints.

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Greetings comrades. I am again pleased to report a good mail response. Your continued support will insure a more informative class article.

Stateside. Ft. Riley: Joan and Bob **Satter**; Ft. Collins: Jan and Bill **Sims**—ROTC instructor; Ft. Monmouth: Steve **Singer**, Justin **Pleasant**, and John **Rice**; Ft. Meade: Jim **Salander**—Admin Co. CO; Ft. Belvoir: Doug **Booth**—senior ADM instructor, Carol and Gene **Atkinson**—aide to the CG, Jacqui and Bill **Barry**—instructor Eng advanced course, Kathy and Ken **Foret**—OCS Co. CO; Ft. Holabird: Steve **Williams**—instructor, John **Redmond**, Ron **Bartek**, Bob **Gagnon**, and Vic **Strokin**—students; Ft. Myer—Old Guard: Joyce and Howie **Kirk** and Jill and Chip **Thomas** are Co. COs, Gary **Loysen**—commo officer, Jim **Hackett**—S3 section, and Jack **Marshall**—S2 section; Ft. Benning: Jerry **Cecil**, Phil **Riley**, Al **Lindseth**, Duke **Albright**; Mt. Ranger Camp: Mac **Hayes**, Peyton **Ligon**, Chuck **Harris**, Charlie **Chitty**; Ft. Lewis: Robin and Bill **Hunt**; Ft. Eustis: Bonnie and Bob **Seigle**; Ft. Wolters: Mike **Baily** and me—primary helicopter school; Hawaii: Marlene and Frank **Cosentino**—ADC for CG STRATCOM, Karen and Gordie **Kimbrell**—G3 section USARHAW, Liz and Bob **Wysocki**—G2 section USARHAW, Kathy and Vardell **Nesmith**—Co. CO in the 29th Bde, Alice and Lynn **Hunt**—CO recondo school; Philadelphia: Tom **Wagner**—ADA; Wash., D. C.: Floyd **Culhane**—Fiscal Office for USA Field Support Gr and attending night law school at GW; Elsewhere: Pat and Barry **DeBolt**—Aide, Hq USASA.

Overseas. Rance **Farrell**—Aide assignment in the Netherlands, Pat and Mike **Collmeyer**—SHAPE Hq in Brussells, Jerry **Fox**—Korea, Annette and Terry **Stull**—staff at the Jungle Warfare School, C. Z.

Vietnam. Bill **Otto** and Don **Pelletier**—advisors in Hoi An, Ted **McCullough**—46th Engr Bn in Saigon, John **Kozak**—MACV Intel officer, Frank **Galligan**—1st Air Cav, Ed **Johnson**—173d, John **Geiger**—1st Inf Div, Matt **DiFiore**—TC at Chu Lai, Ron **Meier**—MACV advisor in Saigon, Mike **Mewhinney**—459th Sig Bn at Ban Me Thuot, Tom **Miller**—Signal Co. CO in Cu Chi, Mike **Penning** and Tom **Garrett**—advisors to the 23d ARVN Div, Jim **Whicher**—MI in Saigon, Don **Moore**—Ban Me Thuot, Jack **Zehren**—Cu Chi, Lou **James** and Gary **Stewart**—work for IFFV from the Grand Hotel in Nha Trang, Don **Bruegger**—1st Avn Bde in Long Binh, Joel **Gartenberg**—advisor 2d Bn 42d Inf Regt, Jim **Proctor**—advisor in Kontum Province, Mark **Potter**—Aide in Long Binh, Art **Bonifas**—Btry Comdr at Dak Tho, Cooper **Wright**—CO 20th Engrs in Pleiku, Karl **Snyder**—19th Engr Bn at Bong Son, Hank **Dutkiewicz** and John **Zierdt**—advisors 5th Rangers, Marty **Niskanen**—tng center at Cao Lanh, Rich **Howell**—special security in Saigon, Jan **Olkoski**—province advisor, Frank **Kobes** and Art **Mosley**—Engr assignments, John **Pappas**—avn assignment, Bob **Lowry**—Engr assignment, Bert **Fisher**—Pleiku, Terry **Durbin**, Ed **Hathaway**, Jan **Pailes**, Fred **Ulrich**, Bryan **Stevens**, Hank **Langendorf**, and Rich **Hlista** are in country.

1966: Taken on 15 Mar 1969 at the Founders Day dinner at Can Tho, RVN. From left to right in confusion: Bob Tarrant, Ted Lingle, Gary Coggins, Marty Niskanen, Jouni Keravouri, Roger Grugle, Sam Rizzo, Pat Keating, John Kozak, John Hanaberry, Don Scoggin, Billy Frazier, J. C. Carrow, Mike Fellenz, Walt Brinker, Rex Nichols, Doug Simms, John McClaughlin, Steve Berry, Rick Howell, Gar Wright. Also at the soiree was Bob Huston who was outside on top of a bunker when the picture was taken.

Births: To Joan and Bob **Satter** a son—Jonathan Robert and to Pat and Barry **DeBolt** a daughter—Kristen. Congratulations.

Tidbits and Rumors: Barry **DeBolt** has the oldest car in the Class—a 1961 Chevy Bel Air. Bob Dunavan carries the biggest map case in Vietnam—he is the railroad security officer for RVN.

Once again, thanks for the letters and information. Please note the above address and help me spread the word.

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I have received a letter informing me of a James K. **Brierly** Memorial Scholarship Fund, which has been established by the people of Carlsbad, Calif. The letter reads, "Jim was killed in combat in Vietnam in December of 1968. He was the first graduate of Carlsbad High School to be killed in combat. A great many of us knew Jim personally, his exemplary conduct both in the classroom and on the athletic field has motivated us to create a fund to perpetuate his name at Carlsbad High School. We start this spring by awarding a $100 check to that athlete and scholar who has maintained a 3 point average during his four years of high school, who has been awarded a varsity letter, who is active in school affairs, and who plans to further his education at either a four-year college or junior college. There may be some friends of Jim who wish to contribute to this fund. Contributions should be made payable to the James K. Brierly Memorial Fund and sent to: United States National Bank, 2501 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, California 92008. Thank You."

Class news has been abundant since the last article. Dave and Janet **Hale** dropped by our quarters for a visit, on their way to a Germany assignment. Janet has been a nurse at Brooke Gen. Hospital while Dave was in VN with the 82d Abn. Pete and Sherry **Summers** are now at Ft. Carson where Pete is an S1.

Howard Martin **Harmless III** is now here. Born on 23 Dec., Marty and Kay proudly announce the birth of their son. They are planning R & R in Hawaii soon. Carol and Chuck **Swanson** announce the birth of their daughter Cheryn Lee born on 22 Jan. Chuck was with the 339th Engr Bn (const) at Ft. Lewis, but now is on orders to Fixed Wing School at Ft. Stewart. Rich **Fischer** is Btry CO with the 1/16 Arty at Ft. Hood. Ray and Delores **Cole** are at Ft. Rucker where Ray is finishing Flight School and is on his way to Nam. Rog **Purcell** will be leaving Eglin shortly for Nam. There he will be flying 123's out of Phan Rang; Zeke and Kathie **Wimert** are at Bragg where he is attending language school prior to an assignment in Thailand.

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4 October 68 was a joyous day at Ft. Wainwright, Alaska, as Mary Ellen Gray gave birth to Doug IV: Poppa Doug is S1 of the 6th Bn 9th Inf.

From Vietnam I have received word that Mike **Hood** is Asst S1 1/505 at Tan Son Nhut. Mike **Dunn** is with HHC 25th Inf at Chu Chi. Brian **McCrodden** is XO of C Co 557th Engr Bn (const). In the 173d Abn are Carl **Savory** who is with an LRP Co., 20th Inf and Rog **Waltz** who is with the 173d Spt Bn. With the 1st Div is Randy **Pais**, XO A Btry 1/7 Arty. Goose **Gonser** is with a Trp 1/10 Cav 4th Div. Hap **Trainor** is with a Trp 4/12 Cav, 5th Div. Paul **Bigelman** is also there as XO C Btry 5/4 Arty and Ed **Jordan**, a platoon ldr. with the Div's 1/11 Inf. In the 9th Div, Bob **Knapp** is CO B Co., 4/39 Inf. Arlene is waiting out his tour in Dewitt, N.Y. Ken **Strong** is now an XO with the 1/11 Arty at Dong Tam, after serving as an FO and Asst S3. George **Newman** is also there as C Btry XO. Bob **Harris** left Germany in Oct, and after a leave and trip to the Jungle School in Panama, joined L Trp 3/11 ACR.

From Germany, I have three additional birth announcements. Macy and Suzie **Brown** had a girl Barbara Anne born 27 Apr 68. Macy's with the 3/84 Artv in Neckarsulm. A son Scott Alden was born on 25 Oct to Rich and Judy **LaBouliere**. Rich is with the 3/71 Arty in Heilbronn. Todd and Marti **McConnell** are the proud parents of a son Mark Todd born on 26 Dec in Augsburg. Todd is with the 3d Bde, 24 Inf.

Bob and Gussie **Haeffner** are in Würzburg where Bob is with the 123d Sig Bn. With him are Mark **Fischer** (S1), Karl **Jacobs** (S3), and Jack **Obert** (A Co. CO). Bob participated in the Airmobile demonstration put on by the 3d Div in conjunction with REFORGER I. Also there were Fred **Barofsky** (2/41 Arty) and Jim **Warner** (2/30 Inf). Pete **Hanelt** is with the 8th Sig Bn and Bill **McDowell** is S3, 2/14 ACR.

Leaving Augsburg shortly for CONUS are Rich and Hether **Hill**, where Rich will be attending flight school. Bruce and Shirley **Hedrick** are in Kaiserlauten where Bruce is CO A Co., 440th Sig Bn. Also there with the 1st Sig Bn are Dave **Partridge**, John **Combs**, and Jim **Cowart**. Mike and Jeannie Heyne are on their way to Stuttgart where Mike will be General Bennett's Aide (VII Corps).

Thanks to all of you who have helped with the article by writing or telephoning. Any pictures???

EXTRACT FROM LETTER WRITTEN BY BRIGADIER GENERAL ALEXANDER R. BOLLING JR., CHIEF OF STAFF, HQ/ XXIV CORPS, VIETNAM – DATED 8 FEBRUARY 1969

"Although of no special interest to our class, I would like to let the Association of Graduates know how magnificently the class of '67 is performing over here. I single that class out because I had some 20 brand new second lieutenant graduates who were forced to deploy with me when we received our no-notice alert at Fort Bragg. These young men had just arrived in my command, had had no experience with a unit of any kind, and did not have an opportunity to undergo a few months of stateside training before they entered combat. One of them, Lieutenant Dave **Hale**, was charged with the responsibility of moving more than 500 men across 10,000 miles and directly into combat. I was so short of captains that a few of them were rifle company commanders without having had an opportunity to be a platoon leader. Lieutenants Jim **Adams** and Ron **Frazer** were killed in action in fighting that was exceeded in intensity by no other combat I have ever observed. Frazer had won a Silver Star a mere week before his death, when he assumed command of his company after the Commanding Officer had been killed. I mention this to you, our class representative of the Association, in the hope that you may some day have an opportunity to extol the quality of the young men who are currently going through the Academy. They are truly magnificent, and their ability to assume highly responsible positions so rapidly attests to the quality of the tactical training they receive during their four years of cadetship."

'68

Lt. David W. Carraway
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Now that '68 has been scattered far and wide, we finally have some news to share among ourselves. Some of us might be surprised to hear that Keith **Harrelson**, Tom **Burnette**, Jim **Cima**, Jon **Anderson**, Paul **Baerman**, Bill **Higgins**, Bob **Hunt**, and Gary **Yoshizumi** have all volunteered for wedded bliss since June—that's right; they're married. Our Class is doing its bit for the population explosion, too. Fran and Cynthia **Post**, Mike and Eleanor **Peters**, Gordy and Debbie **Crupper**, and Ed and Val **Larson** have all made their contributions. The **Peters'** named their boy Michael Paul, and the **Cruppers** named their girl Holly Sue. If the **Larsons** and the **Posts** will drop me a line, we can get their children's names in here, too.

We already have some people in Vietnam. A few Artillery types have made their debut, Fred **Klein** among them. A lot more, including Jim **Swinney**, Bill **Nash**, Steve **Herman**, Mike **Murphy**, Chuck **Besanceney**, Mike **Peters**, Paul **Baerman**, Bill **Bachman**, and your Scribe have received orders or alerts for Nam. A few of us had an unexpected chance to get to Europe on REFORGER I. Walt **Meinshausen**, Andy **Stratton**, Steve **Herman**, and Bill **Bachman** made the trip.

Larry **Fulton** is in Army flight school and expects to get to Nam by August. Art **Sands** is enjoying medical school; Ed **Hobbs** is ducking hippies at Berkeley; Vic **Hiatt** is going to school in Seattle; the last we heard of Jim **Altemose** he was first in his AF flight school class, and Bill **Clark** is with GE in Schenectady.

Founders Day here at Ft. Lewis was a dignified blowout. We got a chance to see the new Supe, Maj. Gen. Koster, who gave us the poop on the current state of Academy expansion. The last of Old Central Area will pass with mixed emotions. And Chuck **Petruska** represented '68 with a humorous address (as the youngest grad).

One last note: I need news so I'll have something to write about in this column, so if you have any at all send me a post card at the above address.

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Be Thou At Peace

We, sons of today, we salute you—You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.

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Charles DuVal Roberts

NO. 3749 CLASS OF 1897

Died 24 October 1966 in Silver Spring, Maryland, aged 93 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

CHARLES DUVAL ROBERTS

CHARLES DUVAL ROBERTS was born 18 June 1873, at Cheyenne Indian Agency, South Dakota Territory. He was the son of Captain (later Brigadier General) Cyrus Swan Roberts, a Civil War veteran from Sharon, Connecticut, and Nannie DuVal, daughter of United States Judge Thomas H. DuVal of Austin, Texas. His boyhood and youth were happy and adventurous, spent on various Army posts on the western frontier. In 1886, as a boy of 12, "Charlie" accompanied his father, who was aide to General Crook, on Crook's expedition into Mexico which resulted in the surrender of the Apache Chief, Geronimo.

Roberts was appointed to the Military Academy from the Territory of Wyoming and graduated four years later, eighth in the Class of 1897. He was assigned as a Second Lieutenant to his father's company in the 17th Infantry, and he accompanied the regiment to Cuba in 1898. He saw action in the Santiago campaign and was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroism at the battle of El Caney.

Roberts was promoted to temporary Captain and assigned to the 35th United States Volunteers, and proceeded with his regiment to the Philippines in 1899. There the regiment was engaged against the Insurrectos in Northern Luzon. He was captured leading a patrol which was ambushed and decimated (he was the sole survivor), but falling into the hands of a humane guerilla chief, he was returned unharmed after several months of captivity.

Returning to the States, Roberts was assigned as Judge Advocate of the Department of Texas with station at Fort Sam Houston from 1901 to 1906. He received his regular promotion to Captain in the 7th Infantry. He served with his regiment at Fort Missoula, Montana; Fort Wayne, Michigan; and Fort McKinley, P.I., until 1911.

He was assigned to the Line and Staff College at Fort Leavenworth and graduated number one in his class in the Line School in 1912 and the following year completed the Staff School. He then became an instructor in the Department of Military Art and Law. He rejoined his regiment, the 7th Infantry, and took part in the occupation of Vera Cruz in 1914.

In 1915, Roberts transferred to the 10th Infantry and served with it in Panama until the outbreak of World War I. The regiment returned to the States and Roberts, then a Major, was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and organized the 46th Infantry. He was soon promoted to Colonel and assigned as Chief of Staff, 81st Division. He remained on this duty throughout World War I, participating in three campaigns in France, culminating with the Meuse-Argonne in November 1918. For outstanding service rendered during this period, Roberts was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, the Croix de Guerre with Palm, and the Order of Leopold of Belgium.

Upon his return from Europe, Roberts graduated from the War College in 1920, and after a short tour of duty with the War Department was assigned to command successively the 34th Infantry at Madison Barracks, and the 64th Infantry and, later, the 26th Infantry at Plattsburg Barracks. During 1923-24, he was Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Culver, Indiana, and then served from 1924-27 as Chief of Staff, First Corps Area in Boston. He served as Head of the Infantry Board at Fort Benning until February 1929, when he was appointed Brigadier General and assumed command of the 30th Artillery Brigade at Fort Eustis, Virginia. From there, he was sent to Panama, and commanded the 19th Brigade and Atlantic Sector with headquarters at Gatun, Canal Zone, until 1931.

Upon his return to the United States, General Roberts assumed command of the 2d Brigade, 1st Division, with his headquarters at Fort Ontario, New York, where he remained until 1936.

In June of 1936, General Roberts assumed his last command, the Washington Military District, from which duty he was placed on the retired list in 1937.

Charles DuVal Roberts was married to Eugenia Bradford (the daughter of retired Colonel James H. Bradford, a Civil War veteran) at Columbus Barracks, Ohio, in 1898. Eugenia Roberts joined her husband in the Philippine Islands in 1899 being one of the first American women in the Islands. She accompanied her husband throughout his many assignments. Four children were born of whom the youngest son, Charles, died of influenza in the epidemic of 1918.

Upon retirement, General and Mrs. Roberts settled on Maple Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Mrs. Roberts died in 1952 and was buried in Arlington.

He was a lifelong member of the Army-Navy Club, a member and director of the Retired Officers' Association, and belonged to several organizations including the Order of the Cincinnati and the Ohio Commandery of the Loyal Legion.

Roberts suffered a stroke in October 1964 which left him almost blind and died two years later, 24 October 1966 at the age of 93. He was buried beside his wife in the National Cemetery in Arlington with full military honors. He is survived by two sons, Heyward B. and Thomas D., both United States Military Academy 1924, one daughter, Eugenia B. Roberts, and four grandchildren.

This cold, factual recital does not reflect the feelings of sorrow and loss of the writer. It can truly be said in the words of the Alma Mater, ". . . well done. Be thou at peace."

— *HBR*

Telesphor George Gottschalk

NO. 4661 CLASS OF 1908

Died 25 December 1967 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 83 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

TELESPHOR GEORGE GOTTSCHALK

COLONEL TELESPHOR G. GOTTSCHALK was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 13 November 1884, and attended the public schools of that city until he received his appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point which he entered in 1904. He was graduated from the Academy in 1908 and assigned to the 5th Field Artillery, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

He was stationed in the Philippine Islands from 1914 to 1916 and was with General Pershing on the Mexican Punitive Expedition of 1916.

He was placed in charge of Field Artillery at the first officers' training camp at Fort Riley, Kansas, and later organized and commanded the 341st Field Artillery of the 89th Division and landed in France with them in May 1918. Shortly afterwards Colonel Gottschalk was transferred to General Headquarters, serving under the Chief of Field Artillery. He Commanded the 18th Field Artillery of the 3d Division in the Army of Occupation.

Returning to the United States, he was assigned to the Office of Chief of Field Artillery in Washington and served on the Field Artillery Board. While in that capacity Colonel Gottschalk wrote many of the drill manuals and regulations of the Artillery Branch and assisted in the testing and improvement of weapons at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. After this tour he became Chief of Staff of the 87th Division with Headquarters in New Orleans until he was placed in charge of Recruiting and Induction for the 8th Corps Area.

His next assignment was Chief of Field Artillery for the 3d Army and was with

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General Krueger on the maneuvers of 1941 where that officer tested the tactics he used so effectively in the Islands. Upon reaching the age limit for troop duty Colonel Gottschalk was given his choice of commands in the 8th Service Command and selected the Reception Center at Fort Sam Houston, where he served until his retirement.

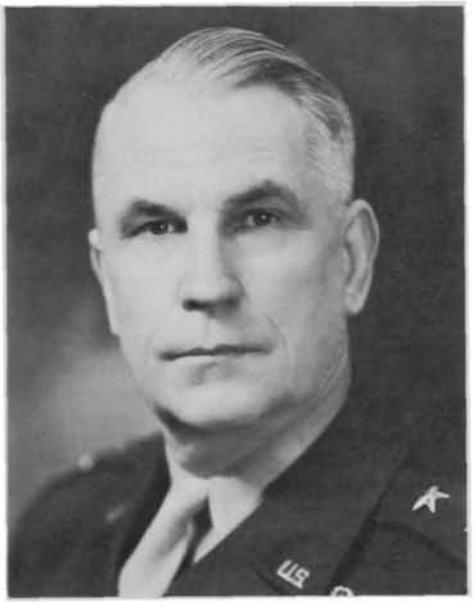
His studied, careful handling of this last assignment was the result of much planning upon his part. The beautiful surroundings and considerate treatment of selectees entering the Army were of inestimable value to them and to the Army. He made the transition from civilian to soldier status of men entering the Army as pleasant as possible. He did a big job well; in that last station he crowned a lifetime of splendid service with a major accomplishment.

James Eugene Chaney

NO. 4678 CLASS OF 1908

Died 21 August 1967 in Washington, D.C., aged 82 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia



JAMES EUGENE CHANEY

JAMES EUGENE CHANEY, born on 16 March 1885, was the son of Dr. Thomas Morris Chaney, an eminent physician, and Mrs. Emma Chaney, of Chaney, Maryland. Young Chaney attended public schools in Dunkirk, Maryland, and Baltimore City College for three years before coming to West Point. He was President of his class at City College, played tackle on the football team and ran on the track team.

He was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Senator McComas of Maryland and entered with the Class on 16 June 1904. From the beginning he proved to be rather a model cadet but with a number of extra-curricular interests, which were pursued with characteristic diligence and aptitude. He was a hop manager, played on the cadet polo team, and worked his way steadily to the top as a Cadet Captain. Upon graduation on 14 February 1908, he was appointed a Second Lieutenant of Infantry and was immediately assigned back to West Point to supervise the training of the new Fourth Class, which entered the Academy on 2 March of that year. That assignment was an exceptional distinction, accorded to only three other members of the Class: Beavers, Higley, and Hughes.

After a short tour of duty at West Point, Chaney joined his first regiment, the 9th Infantry, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, with which he served for two years. He was an enthusiastic polo player and became the Captain of the first Fort Sam Houston polo team, which played inter-service and other teams in the area.

On 28 February 1910 he married Miss Miriam Clark, daughter of Colonel Charles H. Clark, Class of 1875, USMA, and the granddaughter of General R. E. DeRussy, a former Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy. She was a charming and gracious lady, and their marriage was definitely for keeps. She survived her husband, after a long illness, by only six weeks. His attentive devotion to her throughout her illness until his death was superb.

Chaney served with the 9th Infantry in Texas and at Iloilo, Philippine Islands, until June 1912, when he returned to West Point as an instructor in modern languages. He served with the 25th Infantry at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, from 1914 to September 1917, when he was detailed to the Air Service and began a long and distinguished career in that great Service and its successor organizations.

After serving as Commandant of the School of Military Aeronautics, and a short time in the Office of the Director of Military Aeronautics, Chaney was sent to Europe in August 1918, where he held a variety of important assignments in the Office of the Chief of Air Service and in command of troops in France, Germany, and Great Britain. In October 1919 he was appointed Assistant Military Attaché for Aviation in Rome where he remained for nearly five years.

Returning to the United States, he attended the Air Service Tactical School at Langley Field, Virginia, and after graduation attended the Army Command and General Staff School, completing the course as an honor graduate in June 1926. He commanded the Air Corps Primary Flying School, Brooks Field, until March 1928, and the Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Kelly Field, Texas, until June 1930, and then went to the Army War College.

Upon graduation from the War College in June 1931, he was assigned to the Office of the Chief of the Air Corps until 1935, except for six months, January to June 1932, when he was a Technical Advisor at the Disarmament Conference in Geneva, Switzerland. During this period he was designated Assistant Chief of the Air Corps with the temporary rank of Brigadier General. In May 1935, he took command of the Air Corps Training Center, Randolph Field, Texas, and served until the expiration of his term as Assistant Chief of the Air Corps in July 1938. He was then ordered to Mitchel Field, New York, where in January 1940 he was made head of the Air Defense Command. In October and November 1940 he was in England as an observer during part of the Battle of Britain. In May 1941 he was stationed again in London as head of the Special Army Observers Group, and from January to June 1942, he was Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in the British Isles.

In July 1942 he became Commanding General of the First Air Force at Mitchel Field. From May 1943 to November 1944, he commanded the Army Air Force Training Center at Sheppard Field, Texas, and then the Air Force Western Technical Training Command, Denver, Colorado. From November 1944 to July 1945 he commanded Army forces in the seizure and development of Iwo Jima and from March 1945 he commanded all U.S. Forces on Iwo Jima. In August 1945 he became Commanding General of the Western Pacific Base Command on Saipan.

In October 1945 he became a member and later President of the Secretary of War's Personnel Board until 31 July 1947, when he retired at his own request.

In his long and varied service, General Chaney was awarded many military decorations, both American and foreign, of which the highest was the Distinguished Service Medal awarded in 1943 with the following citation:

> "For exceptionally meritorious service in a position of great responsibility as Special Army Observer, and head of the Special Army Observers Group, London, England, from May 1941 to June 20, 1942, and as theater commander between the dates January 8 to June 20, 1942, General Chaney rendered service of outstanding value and importance, both individually and in guiding and directing the labors of the Group, in establishing coordination and contact with the British Army, Air Force, Navy, and other governmental departments and agencies; in the planning for the reception of the United States Forces in Iceland, Northern Ireland, and Great Britain; and in the establishment of the European Theatre of Operations. Working with limited means and often under trying conditions, he performed his missions with inspiring leadership and unswerving devotion to duty. His personality and his labors were outstanding factors in the success of the mission, and the establishment of the European theater which he commanded."

This is an outline of the illustrious career of one of the outstanding graduates of West Point. He was a man of dignity, integrity, versatility, devotion to duty, and with all an unfailing sense of humor. An admirable comrade, a faithful friend, a devoted husband, they do not come finer.

Herman Kobbé

EX-CADET OF 1908

Died 19 April 1968 in the U.S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California, aged 84 years.

Interment, National Cemetery, Presidio of San Francisco, California

HERMAN KOBBÉ

COLONEL HERMAN KOBBÉ died 19 April 1968 at the age of eighty-four at the Naval Hospital in San Diego. Graveside services were held at the Presidio National Cemetery in San Francisco, California.

Colonel Kobbé was born at Mobile Barracks, Alabama, in May 1883, the son of Major General and Mrs. William A. Kobbé. He entered West Point in the Class of 1908, but his stay was brief. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1908 after the

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graduation of his West Point Class, and went to the Philippines. On his return he went with a Squadron of the First Cavalry to patrol the Yellowstone Park, and then to the Mounted Service School at Fort Riley. In 1916 he was on the Mexican Border with the First Cavalry. When the United States entered World War I, the First Cavalry was broken up into Field Artillery regiments. Colonel Kobbé was stationed with the 83d Field Artillery at Fort Russell (now Fort Francis E. Warren) in Wyoming where he married Frances Witherbee of Boston who survives him. He went overseas in September 1918.

After the Armistice Colonel Kobbé stayed with the Army of Occupation at Coblenz for almost a year, during which time he rode in the Pershing Games in Paris. In 1920 he was a member of the Olympic Riding Team training at Fort Riley, but he was hurt and unable to go with the team. Like most Cavalrymen, he had much Border Service from Fort Clark and Fort Ringgold to Fort Bliss where he was twice with the First Cavalry Division. He graduated from the Command and General Staff School in 1928 and went to duty with the National Guard in Providence, Rhode Island. Four years in Washington at the National Guard Bureau followed. His last assignment was Professor of Military Science and Tactics of High School ROTC units around Los Angeles, but his predominant interest was always horses and service with troops.

After his retirement in 1944 for physical disability, he was Safety Engineer at the Aerojet Corporation in Azusa, California, until his health forced his resignation three years later. Then he moved to Coronado, California, where he took up small-boat sailing with the same enthusiasm he brought to every undertaking.

Illness marred the last years of his life, but he never complained. He always said he wished he could begin his life over in the Army. He died as he lived, a good soldier.

Colonel Kobbé's son, Colonel Eric Kobbé, is presently in Korea, and his grandson, Michael Kobbé, is in the Class of 1971 at West Point, hoping to be the sixth generation in the Army.

— Frances Kobbé
(Mrs. Herman Kobbé)

Rufus Willard Putnam

NO. 5121 CLASS OF 1913

Died 26 April 1968 in Santa Fe, New Mexico, aged 76 years.

Interment: Forest Lawn, Glendale, California

RUFUS WILLARD PUTNAM

HAVING CHERISHED THE ideals of the United States Military Academy and having lived faithfully by its timeless motto of "Duty, Honor, Country," Colonel Rufus Willard Putnam moved on 26 April 1968 to assume his proper place of honor in the Long Gray Line which "stretches through the years of a century told."

Colonel Putnam was born on 30 June 1891 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. But he was soon to leave this town to take up residence in Rushford, Minnesota. It was here that he spent his maturing years. Upon completion of high school in Rushford, Rufus entered the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1909, and was graduated with the Class of 1913. While at the Academy, he courted a cadet girl, who was soon to be his beloved wife, Miss Carol Frances Hough.

After his attendance at the Military Academy, Rufus Putnam assumed new duties within the service. During World War I Major Putnam served in France with the Corps of Engineers. For the duration of World War II, the Colonel was District Engineer in that Corps in Los Angeles, California. Throughout his 33 years of dedication to his country, Colonel Putnam was awarded the Legion of Merit. The Colonel's other honors included the American Theater Service Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Upon discharge from the service in May 1946, Rufus and his wife settled in California. There, Colonel Putnam held the position of Executive Officer for the Division of State Lands in his new home state. Before retirement from work in 1957, Rufus was also a Consulting Engineer for the Kaiser Company. While working for the state of California, he wrote numerous articlees on port planning and inland waterway navigation.

In 1964, Rufus moved to New Mexico to live with his son, Mr. Rufus Putnam Jr., outside of Santa Fe. During this time, and within his 77 years of active life, Rufus was a voracious reader. He was a charter member of the Society of American Military Engineers.

Colonel Rufus Putnam was a wonderful human being who was held in high esteem by many, many people. He achieved in his lifetime the kind of success in his duties and free time activities that many would envy. Colonel Putnam was a vital person who left a vivid impression upon everyone who came within the orbit of his personality.

Colonel Putnam is survived by his son, Mr. Rufus W. Putnam Jr.; his daughter, Mrs. Persis Wallace; Mrs. William Crosly, widow of his son, Benjamin Olney Putnam, who died during World War II; and a number of his grandchildren. Many others will also miss the friendship and goodness of Colonel Rufus Putnam.

— Anne M. Bancroft
Grand-niece

William Ashley Copthorne

NO. 5132 CLASS OF 1913

Died 14 July 1968 in Babson Park, Florida, aged 78 years.

Cremation

WILLIAM ASHLEY COPTHORNE

WE ALL CALLED HIM "COPPY." His record: Corporal, Sergeant, Adjutant—"A" in Basketball. Indoor meet all four years. 100th Night 3-2-1. Senior Hop Manager.

What member of the Class or of the Corps can forget "Coppy" as Adjutant? Who can forget the thrills this superb basketball player gave us over the years? Who can forget this fine and well-groomed cadet as Hop Manager?

"Coppy" was a favorite classmate of all of us throughout all our four years. As a cadet he gave us a brilliant record; he transcended the usual cadet in behavior, in his elegant simplicity, and in the intensity of his every action.

As for service after graduation, he had a tour at Fort Screven, Georgia, and Fort Monroe, and thence to West Point where he was an instructor from 1916 to 1919. "Coppy" missed War I as an erratic heart was discovered in his physical, so he was home for the duration. After a sightseeing trip to Europe, he was ordered as assistant military attaché at London.

Later, on coming back to the United States to retire, he found his heart had become "Okay," so he was detailed to duty with Military Intelligence at Washington. While

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on this duty, he and Dorothy Loudon from Montclair, New Jersey, whom he had met in 1918 at West Point, were married on 29 January 1921.

The duty at Washington was followed by a tour at the Coast Artillery School lasting ten months, then duty at the Chemical Warfare School at Edgewood, Maryland, with a final detail as Adjutant at Fort Eustis, Virginia. 1924 found him as Graduate Manager of Athletics at West Point; in 1928 he had a tour in the Philippines; thence to Omaha, Nebraska; and finally on to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth as a student. In 1935 he commanded the Chemical Warfare in the Hawaiian Department; after this duty he went to the Army War College. After graduation, he served as an instructor at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth.

In War II "Coppy" finally got his chance. He was sent to Australia in command of Chemical Warfare Service. He was with General MacArthur from New Guinea to the Philippines—then to Tokyo. This was, he said, his most exciting service. No gas was used in these campaigns, so proper recognition by promotion, commensurate with untiring work in keeping that command ready for his type of warfare, never came to him.

His final duty was as Commanding Officer at Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas. "Coppy" retired in 1949 to go to his interesting and lovely home among the orange and grapefruit trees at Babson Park, Florida. His decorations were the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon.

A son, William Jr., was born in the Philippines in 1930, and entered West Point as a member of the class of 1952. However, he resigned in 1956 and lives in Tampa, Florida. "Coppy's" wife, Dorothy, has sold the home, but still lives in Babson Park.

The Corps, the Army, and the Class of 1913 is richer and better for having "Coppy" with us, and through the years he helped keep our Class united. Those of us remaining quietly lowered our heads and closed our eyes on hearing of his passing away; and all of us for a moment heard again, as we did years ago at dress parade, this lovable classmate and Regimental Adjutant "Sound Off" for the Long Gray Line he loved and so honored.

We sadly say "adieu" to this honored classmate.

— Joe Viner
A Classmate

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Francis Marion Brannan

NO. 5281 CLASS OF 1914

Died 5 December 1967 in Birmingham, Alabama, aged 75 years.

Interment: Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham

FRANCIS MARION BRANNAN

FRANCIS, OR MOSE, AS HE WAS CALLED at West Point and in the Army, was born on 19 August 1892. He was a native of Tennessee, where he grew to manhood. He was the son of William Hood and Almeda Tillman Brannan, and had a brother, now deceased. Mose's uncle was Samuel E. Tillman, Class of 1869, who was a Colonel and the Professor of Chemistry when we were Plebes.

Colonel Tillman retired in 1911, but was

called to active duty as Superintendent of the Academy, 1917-19. For this service he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and promoted to the rank of Brigadier General. During 1919-20, he was President of the Association of Graduates. He died in 1942, at the age of 94. Doubtless, his distinguished career of service to West Point was a strong influence in Mose's decision to become a West Point graduate, and make the Army his career. He entered and graduated with 1914, and was commissioned in the Infantry.

Mose spent his entire active service on Infantry, staff or military school assignments. He served in the Punitive Expedition in Mexico, and had overseas duty in both World Wars. In World War II he was G3 on the staff of the 5th Infantry Division in the Iceland Base Command. Mose was a graduate of the Infantry School and the Command and General Staff School; and was Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Creighton University, DePauw University, and the University of Michigan.

While he did not fail to express himself with force and sincerity on the proper occasions, he had a quiet and rather reserved disposition. Throughout his Army career, his ruling ambition seemed to be to perform every duty with thoroughness and with careful attention to all details. He maintained a high standard of his own performance, and had the leadership, ability, and patience to inspire the best efforts of those under his control. He was a fine representative of the many dedicated commissioned officers, Regular, National Guard and Reserve, that have made our Armed Forces so outstanding. Throughout his entire life in the Army, his service and character were a credit to the Class of 1914, and to our stern but loving Alma Mater.

Because of Mose's military education, and his varied experience in the Infantry, he became highly qualified in the field of military training. This seems to have been his strongest forte, and one which he enjoyed most; and the ability he showed on ROTC duty became quickly recognized, and resulted in his several assignments to such duty, already mentioned. His thorough and effective training of many young men to become officers was an important contribution to the Army.

It seems quite clear that the highlight and most fruitful assignment of Mose's career was as a member of the Staff and Faculty of the Engineer School, 1943-1948. This was his last active duty. From 1943 to 1946, he was Chief of the Department of Weapons and Tactics. In July 1946, he became Chief of, and organized the Department of Military Art, which absorbed the Departments of General Subjects and of Weapons and Tactics. Mose liked the Engineers, and they liked and appreciated him. He was given a testimonial dinner on the eve of his retirement on 30 June 1948.

For his outstanding services at the Engineer School, Mose was awarded the Legion of Merit, in which he was commended for his consistently superior instruction; for his personal influence in indoctrinating the students and faculty in the combat role of the Engineers, and the importance of tactics in combat operations; and for personally developing the doctrine for the reorganization of engineer units for combat, and having this doctrine included in the curriculum of the school.

Mose had few opportunities to see members of 1914, especially during his active service, but he seems to have had inner wells on which to draw. And he had the love and admiration of all members of the family of his brother (now deceased), including his niece, Frances, who lives in Birmingham. She is the wife of Dr. Leon C. Hamrick, a surgeon.

When he retired in 1948, Mose made his home at La Jolla, California. This is a beautiful, green little coastal town a short distance north of San Diego. In 1954, another 1914 classmate, Colonel Tom Lanphier, and his wife settled in La Jolla. Tom joined the same golf club with Mose, played with him occasionally, and saw him at ARMY-Navy game class gatherings.

Mose continued to visit Dr. and Mrs. Hamrick and their five children in Birmingham, as well as the other members of his deceased brother's family, as he had done during leaves of absence while on active duty. These visits were a source of great happiness to him and to them. Otherwise, he led a rather quite life. He was a man who appreciated the fine and beautiful things of life. He had a library of the classics, and many great records which he enjoyed playing; and he spent much time in planning and developing a beautiful flower garden. He loved the Army and West Point and once told his niece, Mrs. Hamrick, that his most prized possession was his West Point class ring. While much of his life in La Jolla was alone, he had many interests to keep him occupied.

In the latter part of September 1966, Mose had a severe stroke and had to be taken to the U. S. Naval Hospital in San Diego. His niece, Frances, (Mrs. Hamrick) was notified by one of Mose's neighbors. She flew to San Diego to visit Mose at the hospital, and remained there three weeks, until his condition improved enough for him to be moved. She was then joined by Dr. Hamrick, and they brought Mose to Birmingham. There, he had to be hospitalized for one month, and he was then taken into the Hamrick home. Mose was able to walk once more, and did so regularly; but his speech and memory were impaired by the stroke. As time went on he had a series of lesser strokes and by the end of April 1967, he again had to be hospitalized, and two months later was put in a nursing home under the care of special nurses. Mrs. Hamrick, in spite of heavy household duties for the care of her large family, saw Mose almost daily, and Dr. Hamrick saw him at least weekly. As the end grew near, both

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she and Dr. Hamrick saw him daily, until Mose finally slipped away, with his devoted niece at his side.

Thus ended a life of dedicated service to our country. I think that Mose's active service can be well summed up by the simple but meaningful words "thorough and complete performance of every duty."

He is survived by a niece, Mrs. Leon C. Hamrick, 3656 Rockhill Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35223; a nephew, Mr. Samuel Tillman Brannan, 2469 Tanglewood Rd., Decatur, Georgia 30030; and a sister-in-law, now Mrs. William C. Cobb, 3004 Bellview Rd., Anderson, South Carolina 29621.

— J. H. C. 1914

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Henry John Schroeder

NO. 5615 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 25 April 1968 in Bethesda, Maryland, aged 74 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

HENRY JOHN SCHROEDER

ON 25 APRIL 1968, Doctor Henry John Schroeder, soldier, educator, scientist, writer, and genealogist, died in his sleep at his home in Bethesda, Maryland. As a man dedicated to the orderly development of knowledge, he distinguished himself as a professional military and civilian educator.

Harry, as he was known warmly by those who knew and understood him, was a native of Portland, Oregon, the son of Henry Christen and Wilhemina Schroeder. After graduating from the United States Military Academy in 1917, he served with the 1st Armored Corps in France during World War I, earning the Silver Star. His quest for knowledge and his serious-minded purposefulness took him to Yale University where he was awarded a Master of Science degree in 1923.

With his scholastic and practical military background, his career as a military educator began. He served as Commandant of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and the Communications Signal School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, prior to instructing Mathematics at the Military Academy. In addition, he held teaching assignments at Cornell University; was Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Electricity at the Military Academy; Dean of the Personnel Administration and Management School [and] Dean of Men, and editor of texts and courses at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Upon retirement from the Army in 1948, he was awarded the Legion of Merit. Colonel Schroeder then pursued an active career at the University of Maryland as Assistant to the Dean, College of Education, and as Assistant Dean and Acting Dean of the College of Special and Continuation Studies. His extensive background and research qualified him to be Executive Secretary of the United Nations Information Center. Concurrently, he prepared contributions to the *Military Review*, completed advanced studies in the field of education, submitted his dissertation on "Spans of Control: An Evaluation of Selected Institutions of Higher Education," and was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1951 from the University of Maryland. Subsequently, he held the position of Executive Officer for the Human Resources and Research Organization at George Washington University and continued his studies in the field of genealogy. As a professional genealogist, recognized by the Library of Congress, he had completed extensive research, collaborated in writing the history of numerous families and was working on other related studies at the time of his death.

Henry Schroeder believed in the philosophy of perseverance, order and production. His strong personal character and integrity are evidenced in his advancement in his chosen career. A genuine interest in his fellow man, in a sense of community and nation shines forth in his association with the Horace Mann League and the American Legion. Always a leader and teacher, his ever impelling force was the training and development of the minds of young men to inspire them to greater service.

His survivors include his wife, the former Enriette Lewis, and three sons: Army Brigadier General (designate) Henry J. Jr.; William R.; and Army Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. His brother Carl resides in Beverly Hills, California, and a sister, Mrs. Albion Gerber lives in Lake Oswego, Oregon. Colonel Schroeder has four grandchildren.

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Norman McNeill

NO. 5843 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 19 July 1968 in Bethesda, Maryland, aged 75 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

SUDDENLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY he died of heart failure at his home in Bethesda, Maryland, on a Friday morning in July. And with his passing, another old soldier had faded away.

Born in Fayetteville, North Carolina, on 21 May 1893, my father, Colonel Norman McNeill, was even during his early years interested in a military career. He attended Donaldson Academy in North Carolina; Riverside Military Academy in Gainesville, Georgia, where he met and fell in love with Carobel Glover who would one day become his bride; and Alabama Polytechnic Institute, where during his first year he received an appointment to the United States Military

NORMAN MCNEILL

Academy. At this time West Point had a baseball battery that was the talk of the intercollegiate sports world. My father, always fond of sports, was catcher on that team. Later, in 1917, his graduation year, he was captain of the team.

He took a keen personal interest in young people and their problems. The years he spent as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Punahou Academy in Honolulu and at Riverside, which he had attended as a cadet, were rewarding years.

He attended the Command and General Staff School at Leavenworth and the Army War College in Washington. But wherever his station might be, he made, with his jovial disposition, a host of friends.

With the coming of World War II, he was assigned to the China-Burma-India Theater in Kunming, China. Here, he visualized a "Little Leavenworth." The school, patterned after the General Staff School at Leavenworth, was one in which Chinese officers could be trained in modern American combat techniques. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and General Stilwell heartily approved his plan. Despite language difficulties and an initial lack of texts, charts, and maps, the school was not only functioning smoothly within a few weeks, but was also contributing greatly to the war effort. Thus, for the first time in history a general staff school was conducted by the army of one country within the borders of another country.

After serving for a time as commandant and instructor at the school, my father became Commander in Chief of all rear echelon forces in China.

Among the decorations awarded him were the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Army Commendation Ribbon, and both the breast order and collar order of "Yun Hui," a Chinese military award. My mother and I could not help feeling upon these occasions, along, perhaps, with him also, a warm inner glow of pride.

In 1949 while stationed in Raleigh, North Carolina, as Senior Army Instructor at ORC Headquarters, he became ill and was retired for physicial disability. And so he left the service of his country that he loved so well and for which, if duty demanded, he would have laid down his life.

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Paul William George

NO. 5985 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 13 July 1968 at Concord, New Hampshire, aged 71 years.

Interment: Blossom Hill Cemetery, Concord, New Hampshire

PAUL WILLIAM GEORGE

PAUL WILLIAM GEORGE was born 14 November 1896 in Leadville, Colorado, the son of William Sampson and Lennie Crider George. Paul's father had migrated from the old family homestead in Iowa to Leadville in 1880.

After graduating from the Leadville High School in 1914, he was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Congressman Edward T. Taylor of Colorado. Congressman Taylor remained Paul's friend and correspondent for many years, even writing to Paul 21 years later on his retirement from the Army, at which time Taylor was Chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

Paul entered West Point in June 1915. Quietness and unobtrusiveness, but calmness and confidence marked Paul's progress as a Cadet. Always painstakingly neat and dignified in appearance, Paul soon earned the sobriquet of "Lord George." His earnest and conscientious work placed him, upon graduation in June 1918, in the Coast Artillery.

After a short graduation leave, Second Lieutenant George, C.A.C., proceeded to Fort Monroe to attend the Coast Artillery School. Promoted to First Lieutenant C.A.C., Paul remained at Fort Monroe on duty at the C.A.C. Training Center. I noted also an official order of 11 May 1919 detailing Paul and classmate Scip Axelson as members of the Dance Committee. But this gay bachelor life was cut short when the next month, both Paul and still another classmate, Johnny Haleston, 44th Infantry from the Presidio of San Francisco, were ordered to France for duty with the American Expeditionary Forces.

Arriving at Camp Pontanezon, France, on 29 June 1919, a goodly number of June 1918 men, including Paul George, Paul Malone, Milo Barragan, Jim Gillespie, Robbie Robinson, Howard Newman, Jawn Weeks, Bill Godson, Roland Gray, T. Q. Donaldson and Bit Barth were collected by Bit, then the Camp Adjutant, for a short tour of the AEF Battlefields and upon completion, to duty with C. G. Base Section 5 (Brest). Paul was assigned to Provisional Guard Company #3 at Gievres. Classmate Howard Newman was also assigned to this company. In August the company moved to Bordeaux with Base Section #2 where Paul took on the additional duties of Judge Advocate of the Special Courts Martial.

Paul was relieved from the company on 18 September 1919 and assigned to duty at Paris with the Service of Supply. Classmate Milo Barragan was also assigned to the same duty. From Paris they proceeded to Coblenz, Germany to organize Provisional Guard Companies. In October 1919, Jigger Cobb joined this same group. On 22 September 1919, Paul became a permanent first lieutenant, CAC, Regular Army. A number of other June '18 classmates were on duty with the Provisional Guard Battalion in the Coblenz area of which Paul's Company, the 9th, was a part. Daddy Holman, FA, was the Battalion Supply Officer. Paul also commanded the Special Guard at Headquarters Building and the residence of the CG American Forces in Germany. Upon the demobilization of the Provisional Guard Battalion and its takeover by the 5th Infantry, Paul was ordered back to the United States and to temporary duty with the Coast Defenses of Long Island and stationed at Fort Wright. In September 1921, Paul became a student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and after receiving his Bachelor of Science Degree with the class of 1922, he reported to the United States Military Academy as Instructor of Chemistry and Electricity under "P" Wirt.

During Paul's tour at West Point as a "Kaydet," I mentioned that he was rather quiet and unobtrusive, or as Scip Axelson, one of Paul's very close friends wrote, "very quiet and reticent, not much of a mixer—almost a loner." Scip served with Paul at Fort Monroe and later in Germany. Paul was best man at Scip and Norma's wedding, and Scip was best man later at Paul and Frances' wedding. As I wrote of his Cadet days, the dignity and bearing were already there, and Scip wrote that when Paul graduated, he started to blossom. "He became," wrote Scip, "what today would be called the avant-guard. He was way ahead of his time socially and not far behind professionally." Scip wrote, "We and all his friends called him 'Duke' and he preserved the aristocratic bearing to earn him the title."

When Scip Alexson came back to West Point as an instructor, Paul was already there and made Scip and Norma's transition a lot easier and livelier. Scip went on: "Paul's friends, and they were many, were the hottest group on the Post. The bachelor building was the place to go on weekends, and Paul usually had open house and was a grand host." No wonder Paul became a successful large hotel operator. With his military background and technical and business training and now his appealing sense of hostmanship, he could not miss. Paul remained on duty at West Point until June of 1925, when he was ordered to foreign service in the Philippine Islands.

During this West Point teaching detail, Paul had been assiduously courting a young lady from Massachusetts, lovely Frances Monroe. They were married in Brookline, Massachusetts, on 9 June 1925 and sailed for the Philippine Islands where Paul was assigned the 59th CA Regiment; they lived at Fort Mills until July 1927.

Returning to the United States, Paul was a student at the 1927-28 CA School, Fort Monroe, and then from 1928-1933, the Instructor of the 241st CA Massachusetts National Guard at Fall River and New Bedford. During this tour of duty, Paul received a special commendation from the Commandant of the Training School of the Massachusetts National Guard.

Because of his special technical interests in supply and transport matters, Paul requested a detail to the Quartermaster Corps and attended the 1933-34 course of the QM Corps School at Philadelphia.

Paul was promoted to Captain on 1 September 1933. Upon completion of the course, he was assigned as assistant to the Quartermaster of the Boston Quartermaster Depot and handled many QM duties besides acting as the QM instructor for units under the jurisdiction of the 94th Division. In 1936, he was permanently transferred from the CAC to the QMC, at which time he received a letter of commendation for his excellent work as Chief of Transportation during the Mobilization Test. In February 1937 the QM General notified Paul that he had been selected for detail as a student at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration for the 1937-39 course.

We can best summarize Paul's achievements during his first QM assignment and his resulting selection by the QM General to attend Harvard in the words of his commanding officer of the Boston QM Depot: "Before your departure for the Harvard Business School, I wish to express to you my appreciation for the excellent manner in which you have performed your duties at this Depot for the past three years. During this time you served on different details as Utilities, Transportation, and Property Officer. In all this work you were quick to grasp the important details and technical ramifications which were new to you in the beginning. You were resourceful and at all times showed that initiative, common sense, and progress so necessary to the success and efficiency of these important activities. . . . I congratulate you upon a fine performance of duty."

And in an informal letter af about the same time, in which this same C.O. expressed his sorrow over Paul's departure, writing among other matters: "We never have had, nor do I think we ever will have an officer who so interested himself in all branches of the work, and who was so able to make up his mind and give decisions without galloping all over the place checking and questioning."

From September 1937 to March 1939, Paul attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. He did well there, making high marks in accounting principles, business statistics, and industrial management; so much so, that by War Department Orders of December 1938, he had already been selected for detail as a student at the Army Industrial College for the 1939-1940 course. Paul was now at the height of his military career.

Unfortunately, early in 1939, conditions were such in his family financial affairs that Paul had to make the difficult decision of retiring from the Army after 21 years of splendid service and the height of his career to devote full time to the family business.

Paul retired from the Army on 30 June 1939 with the rank of Major, after more

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than 21 years of service, to assume the duties of President and Treasurer of the Eagle and Phoenix Hotel Company in Concord, New Hampshire, a family investment, and remained in that position until May 1960, when the property was sold.

Many letters poured in wishing Paul success in his new endeavor, among them one from Congressman Edward T. Taylor, the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, who had appointed Paul to West Point almost 25 years previously, offering Paul his congratulations and wishing him every success in his new field of endeavors.

Soon Paul's military experiences, technical and business administrative training, and especially his appealing sense of hostmanship paid off. Many famous people stayed at the Eagle, and the Phoenix Hotel at Concord since it is the New Hampshire State Capitol. Many national figures high in political and business life also stayed there. For many years classmate Harry Underwood and his sister were regular visitors each summer. The hotel became famous far and near for its fine cuisine and gracious hospitality. Paul was still busy telling entertaining tales. In a letter of mid 1954, the President of the Concord Kiwanis Club thanked him "for again furnishing a most enjoyable program and . . . the members looked forward to hearing more of his anecdotes at a future date."

After 21 years of operating the Hotel Company, coincidentally being the same number of years of Army life, the property was sold. This was May 1960, and Paul now entered upon a second retirement, both retirements well earned since his military and his civilian careers were both crowned with success. Paul now devoted his time to his magnificent home and beautiful grounds. Your writer and wife, as well as the Townsleys, who had luncheon with the Georges can attest to the loving care Paul bestowed upon their home and grounds. A year before our 50th Reunion, Paul lost control of his right hand, and Frances wrote that they would not be able to attend. In spite of loving care Paul passed away just a month after our 50th Reunion on 13 July 1968.

An old friend and educator in one of the neighboring colleges in New Hampshire upon learning of Paul's death, expressed the sentiment of Paul's many civilian friends in New England. He wrote: ". . . I recall him well from the great days of the Eagle Hotel, and the many courtesies he rendered to me during the years he managed that place. He was a very unusual man, and we who knew him well were fortunate."

During the years of Paul's management of the hotel, many State DAR meetings were held there as well as many State DAR picnics held at the Georges' home, since Frances has been a State DAR official for years. Naturally, the ladies came to know Paul and his sterling qualities. Thus, at the annual 1968 fall meeting of the New Hampshire DAR Society, at which the President General was their guest of honor, the past National Vice President conducted a special presentation of the United States flag in memory of Major Paul William George and in honor of Mrs. Paul William George of Concord, from the New Hampshire State Officers Club. And thus the "coals of Newcastle" came home to rest with another fine member of society, who, in only doing what he thought was his "duty," left behind memories of a life devoted to "Duty, Honor, and Country.'

— WEL June '18

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George Sheldon Price

NO. 6278 CLASS OF 1919

Died 24 October 1966 in Gainesville, Florida, aged 70 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

GEORGE SHELDON PRICE

GEORGE SHELDON PRICE was born in Wesson, Mississippi, on 21 January 1896. He was one of three sons of Walter Price and the former Emma Dodds and he attended schools in Wesson, Mississippi, followed by a year at Marion Institute, Marion, Alabama, preparing for West Point.

General Williston B. Palmer writes, "When George entered the Academy on 14 June 1917, he was well into his 22d year, one of the oldest men in the class. His maturity, his gentleness, and his unfailing kindness quickly won him universal affection in the Corps. Quietly, cheerfully, and without fuss he became a make and an expert rifleman and his graduation standing was well within the top ten percent." These notable characteristics marked George's entire service.

Following the second graduation, his Class toured the European battlefields and was then dispersed to the Branch Basic Schools. His record at the Field Artillery School, Camp Taylor, Kentucky, was a repeat of the excellence shown at West Point, except that he broke his record of never attending hops by participating in the school dances. No doubt the Louisville girls were responsible.

His next service was at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, and Fort Bragg, North Carolina, with troops. However, shortly after his arrival at Fort Bragg, General Albert Bowley assigned him to his Headquarters Staff. Fort Bragg was a bright spot in George's life for here he met and married Katherine Hicks of Jackson, Tennessee. His next assignment was Hawaii where, on arrival, he was assigned to the Headquarters Battery 11th Field Artillery Brigade which he commanded during his entire Hawaiian service. Both at Fort Bragg and Schofield Barracks he was fortunate to be with many classmates which resulted in an enjoyable social life for all.

His teaching ability and the leadership of young men were fully demonstrated in his next two assignments, the ROTC at the University of Illinois, and the Math Department at West Point. General Herbert Jones, who was with him at West Point, has this to say: "George arrived in August 1930 for duty under 'P' Echols in the Math Department teaching Plebes. A natural teacher, sympathetic, patient, and thorough, he soon was master of his subject and also of his cadets who held great respect and affection for him. He found this work most pleasant and rewarding. After two years, he was appointed Assistant Professor and placed in charge of all Plebe Instructors. This assignment he held for four more years. George and Bobs fully enjoyed this period of their lives. Many of his classmates were on duty at West Point at the same time. The social life was pleasant and relaxed, the duties onerous, but not too demanding, yet George hankered for duty with troops."

His duty with troops was cut to one year by his assignment to the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Following graduation in June 1937, George was made an instructor at the Field Artillery School, serving as such until June 1941.

George's World War II service started with a brief period in the G1 Division of the War Department General Staff, followed by assignment as Assistant Chief of Staff G1, Third Army, San Antonio, Texas. He departed the United States, 3 February 1943 for duty in the Pacific Theater as Assistant Chief of Staff G1, Headquarters Sixth Army, which job he held until January 1946. General George Decker, his Chief of Staff, writes: "When the Sixth U. S. Army was activated early in 1942 Colonel George Price, then G1 of the Third U. S. Army, was selected to be its G1. He served in that capacity until Sixth Army was inactivated in Japan in January 1946. He was the sole incumbent of the position throughout World War II.

"Colonel Price was endowed with a quick wit and an engaging personality. Behind his disarming smile operated a keen analytical and decisive mind. He quickly gained and held the high esteem and confidence of his contemporaries. Seemingly tireless, he carried out with vigor the responsibilities of his office.

"Among his singularly outstanding achievements was the maintenance of a flow of replacements to Sixth Army units, provision for the prompt treatment and evacuation of the wounded, and development of policies that provided for appropriate recognition of those who had distinguished themselves during combat operations. Following the end of the war and the Occupation of Japan, his foresight in planning and his vigilant supervision were instrumental in insuring the smooth and timely return to the United States of those who had completed their overseas service.

"Colonel Price's outstanding service during the entire period of World War II reflected great credit upon himself and the Army and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service."

The caliber of George's service in the Pacific is shown by the decorations awarded to him: the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with first oak leaf cluster, the Bronze Star Medal, the Distinguished Service Star, and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with three bronze stars awarded by the Philippine Government. His service medals were: World War I Victory Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with four bronze stars, Bismarck Archipelago, Luzon, New Guinea and Southern Philippines Campaigns, World War II Victory Medal, National Defense Service Medal.

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On his return to the United States, George was with the General Staff United States Army until July 1948. George Price's last active duty was performed as Professor of Military Science at the University of Florida at Gainesville. He left the stamp of his capability and good sense on the ROTC operation in many ways, including a new and adequate ROTC building which now serves a greatly expanded ROTC unit. His integrity and warm personality were early recognized by the then President of the University, J. Hillis Miller, who repeatedly asked him to serve the University in many activities which were in no way connected with his military duties.

During the ROTC tour, George and Bobs built a spacious and attractive home on Lake Santa Fe, near Melrose Florida. From this beautiful place, George commuted until his retirement in 1954. After retirement, George entered the real estate business in Gainesville, which he pursued actively until 1958, when the warning of a severe heart attack dictated that he discontinue this activity. Three years later, he was stunned by the unexpected death of Bobs.

George was loved and respected by everyone in the small, closeknit community of Melrose. He gave of himself generously to many community activities and served faithfully for more than a decade as clerk to the Mission Board of Trinity Episcopal Church, Melrose. He is survived by two sons, George Dodds Price, a Ph.D. research chemist employed by the Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company at Durham, North Carolina, and William Hicks Price, a member of the University College faculty at the University of Florida and three grandchildren.

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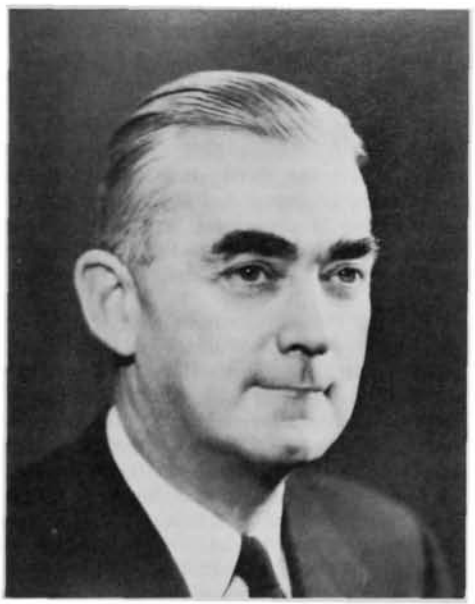
John Carpenter Raaen

NO. 6400 CLASS OF 1919

Died 28 June 1968 in Morton Plant Hospital, Clearwater, Florida, aged 69 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York



JOHN CARPENTER RAAEN

JOHN CARPENTER RAAEN was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, 9 December 1898. He was the son of Thor and Agnes Carpenter Raaen.

Early in his career as a Cadet, Jack learned to take his hazing goodnaturedly. Because his old Prep School had used his picture and write-up to advertise the school, upperclassmen demanded recitation of the write-up with all punctuations. Fifty years later, he could still quote it verbatim.

Jack was the boy soprano in his church and also sang in the Cadet Choir. His fine baritone always added to the parties he attended throughout his life.

Jack went to Europe with our Class and then to the Infantry School. In 1923, he was ordered to the 33d Infantry at Fort Clayton, Canal Zone. In 1925, he was appointed to the Tacna Arican Plebicitary Commission and spent six months in South America. When the assigning officer asked him if he spoke Spanish, he answered, "No, Sir, but I can learn,"—and he did.

His next tour of duty was at West Point. In 1930, Jack took a detail in the Ordnance Corps and was assigned to Raritan Arsenal. After two years he was sent to Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering. He then spent two years at Aberdeen Proving Ground, followed by a tour in Washington, D. C., and in 1936 went to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. Upon graduation he was assigned to Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia. Ordered to Washington in 1940, he served throughout the war as Executive to the Chief of Ordnance. To quote his Chief: "Jack has served with me from the very beginning of the war effort and I should like, while commending the military and civilian personnel of Ordnance headquarters, to honor him, particularly, for his devotion to duty and the high degree of executive ability he has always manifested."

Jack's final assignment in the Army was as Commandant of Watervliet Arsenal until his retirement in 1947.

Immediately thereafter, Jack accepted a position with Universal Oil Products Company as Manager of Research and Development and moved to Lagrange Park, Illinois. His capabilities were soon recognized, and he was then promoted to Vice President in Charge of Research and Development. Within a few years his responsibilities were further increased when he was made President of Procon, a subsidiary of the Universal Oil Products, and still later, Chairman of the Board.

In 1961, Jack retired from Industry, and moved to Arlington, Virginia, and in 1964, to Harbor Bluffs, Largo, Florida.

As written in *American Ordnance*, this is as fine a tribute and so well expressed, there is nothing I can add to it. "Jack Raaen was a learned, quiet, and dedicated professional officer whose meticulous attention to duty was equalled only by his wisdom and understanding of those with whom he came in contact." Jack was devoted to the Academy. I think that he had the remarkable record of attending every reunion of our Class except one.

For Jack's outstanding devotion to duty, his decorations included the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit.

Jack married Alexandra Hoffman in 1920. Their son John was born at Fort Benning in 1922, and in January 1943 became the first son of our Class to graduate from West Point. After serving during the war as a Ranger, he followed in his father's footsteps and selected the Ordnance Corps. He is now a Colonel at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Jack is survived by his wife, Alex, his son John, and three granddaughters.

As his military career indicates, Jack was a fine officer, and I know all the members of our Class regret his death.

— *Lil*

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John Morris Works

NO. 6485 CLASS OF 1919

Died 9 December 1967 in the Naval Air Station Hospital, Corpus Christi, Texas, aged 68 years.

Interment: Seaside Memorial Park, Corpus Christi, Texas

JOHN MORRIS WORKS

SELDOM WORKS was born in Ennis, Texas, on 23 December 1898. Shortly after graduating from the local high school, he received his appointment to the Military Academy and entered in June 1916, as a member of the Class of 1920 (now November 1918). Seldom spent enough time in his Yearling winter making life miserable for the plebes to attract the attention of the Commandant of Cadets and, as a result, was turned back. He became a member of the Class of 1921 (now 1919) at the start of the fall academic year in 1918. It was not long after this that he received the nickname which remained his for the rest of his life.

By a peculiar quirk of fate—and the War Department—Seldom graduated the same day as his former classmates on 1 November 1918, but returned to West Point 3 December 1918 for his second graduation 15 June 1919, and commissioning in the Field Artillery, his branch for all his active service.

When Seldom returned in the fall of 1919 from the summer tour of the World War I battlefields, he brought with him a German Shepherd dog he named Bill. Seldom and Bill formed a team that won the admiration and affection of everyone where they served together. After completing the short-lived Field Artillery School Basic Course at Camps Taylor and Knox, where he majored in poker, Seldom started his duty with troops in the 16th Field Artillery at Fort Myer, Virginia. Here he distinguished himself by being appointed a Junior White House Aide-de-Camp.

After a tour of duty in Hawaii with the 11th Field Artillery, Seldom was stationed at Fort MacIntosh, Texas with the 4th Field Artillery. There at a dance at the Fort, he

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met Vera Warren of Laredo, Texas, and they were married at New Braunfels, Texas, on 12 March 1928. From there he was sent to the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia where in 1930, he was awarded the degree of Master of Science in Mathematics. As a result of his studies, his service until World War II was concentrated in the area of sound ranging, much of it spent at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

At the time the Japanese attacked the Hawaiian Islands, Seldom was in command of the 321st Field Artillery Battalion. When the 82d and 101st Airborne Divisions were formed from the 82d Infantry Division and various parachute units, he was promoted to the grade of Colonel and assigned to the position of Division Artillery Executive Officer in the 101st Airborne Division. General A. C. McAuliffe, then Commanding General, 101st Airborne Division Artillery, said, "Seldom and I took over the 101st Division Artillery. He was a very competent artilleryman, sound technically, and with plenty of good common sense. He was admired and respected by everyone. Seldom had a large part in the development of the splendid artillery of the 101st Airborne."

One of the principal regrets of Seldom's life was the fact that illness prevented his going into combat with the artillery he helped to train. In the spring of 1944, he was forced to leave England and the 101st Division Artillery as a result of mastoiditis, the first of many illnesses that plagued him the rest of his life. In 1945 he was retired for physical disability, and he and Vera bought a home and settled in Houston, Texas, but in a few years, after a visit to Corpus Christi, Texas, they decided to move to that city.

There Seldom took out a brokerage license in real estate and was doing quite well, but his health gave him increasing trouble, and he was forced to give up his real estate activity. He did keep up with his golf and had quite a reputation for his chicken barbeque, when he was able to be up and about. Life could never defeat Seldom, but in December 1967, cancer finally did.

His wife Vera is his only survivor, as their only child, a daughter, died 5 April 1959.

Outside his family, he had two main interests—his arm of the service and his natal state. He stayed with both as long as he could. All of our lives are poorer when men like Seldom Works go, for he was every man's friend.

— *R.G.G. '19*

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Fred Lebbeus Hamilton

NO. 6654 CLASS OF 1920

Died 9 December 1967 in Tucson, Arizona, aged 70 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

SOME OF HIS FRIENDS could write a more complete resumé of the full and enthusiastic life of Fred L. Hamilton. His total devotion to his country and his pride in his association with the United States Military Academy were the cornerstones of his life. This tribute should be written by someone who knew him longer than I did; it could not be written by anyone who loved and respected him more.

Freddy Hamilton, my father, was born in the hamlet of Hancock, Wisconsin, 20 December 1896. Before his nineteenth birthday he was graduated from the Wisconsin College which was then called Stevens Point State Normal School.

FRED LEBBEUS HAMILTON

While impatiently awaiting a hoped-for appointment to West Point, he became in 1916 a teacher in, and the following year Principal of the Bear Creek, Wisconsin, Public School.

I have just read for the first time, fifty-one years later, the Yearbook (Vol. I, No. 1) produced by those backwoods students under the guidance of their new 20-year-old Principal. And on every page I can feel the impact on those young minds of my father's great intellect—and his remarkable sense of humor.

That was not quite the end of his teaching career. After graduation from West Point in 1920, he returned to the Academy in 1926 as an English instructor.

Most of his peacetime service, however, was spent in the Cavalry, and later in the Remount—of which he was Chief following World War II. An outstanding horseman, he was to become an internationally well-known authority on thoroughbred breeding during his retirement years.

His early assignments included Fort Riley, Fort Meade, Fort Myer, and Fort Ringgold, Texas, where his bride, Edna, joined him in 1926. A big-city-girl, she was dismayed to discover that Ringgold was some miles from the nearest railroad depot. The bride and groom's arrival by horse-drawn wagon was not inauspicious; however, all the troops and the band turned out to greet them, and the Casa Hamilton became a happy meeting place for so many friends—at Fort Ringgold, and everywhere else Freddy and Edna lived from then on.

After 1930, when I joined them, we were stationed in Panama; at the Front Royal, Virginia, Remount Depot; at Fort Leavenworth, and at Fort Lewis.

Almost immediately after Pearl Harbor, Freddy flew to Washington, and within weeks was on his way to Australia to set up Headquarters for the expected arrival of General MacArthur.

During his four years in the Southwest Pacific Area, he served throughout Australia and New Guinea; as Port Commander at Milne Bay, and in the Philippines. He received many commendations and citations during those years, including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, and the Bronze Star Medal.

Shortly after the war, Freddy retired with a medical discharge, and for the last twenty years had been more invalided each year with Parkinson's Disease. He died suddenly in December of 1967—and mercifully, without knowing that his beloved Edna had only a few months left. She died of cancer on 3 May 1968.

Freddy and Edna's many friends will be glad to know that neither suffered greatly—nor did either of them ever lose that charm and good humor.

Among the notations in the 1917 Bear Creek Yearbook "Calendar" are these:

"April 2—Mr. Hamilton sick abed. Miss Quigley takes his place . . .

"April 6—HURRAH! Mr. Hamilton has returned, with a rather weak voice, but nevertheless he has not lost his smile . . ."

— *Jean Hamilton Blucher*

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Harold Julius Chapman

NO. 6725 CLASS OF 1920

Died 8 September 1966 in Palm Springs, California, aged 68 years.

Interment: Chapel of the Chimes, Oakland, California

HAROLD JULIUS CHAPMAN

HAROLD JULIUS CHAPMAN, of the Class of 1920, joined the Long Gray Line on 8 September 1966, after an unusual career which should be an inspiration to every one who has worn the cadet uniform. He was a native of Kansas, where his father was a well-known physician in the home community. During his cadet days "Jules" (his cadet nickname) was noted for his never failing good humor, and for an occasional mild practical joke which never left a sting.

Assigned to the Infantry on graduation, Jules decided to leave the Army and become an engineer. He matriculated at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and received an engineering degree in 1922. But engineering was not to be his life work. Jules' heartfelt interest was in medicine. He entered Rush Medical College, in Chicago, and in 1928 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine. The quality of his work as a medical student is attested to by the fact that he was awarded first place for a position on the staff of the Cook County Hospital, the world's largest

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hospital, where he served from 1929 to 1930. Upon leaving Chicago he practiced for three years in his home town of Speed, Kansas, and then moved to Los Angeles in 1936, where he quickly achieved a reputation as an extraordinarily fine surgeon.

In the tense days of 1941, when it was becoming apparent to all who were not blind that the United States was likely to be drawn into the war, Jules offered his professional services to the Government, and was commissioned as a Lieutenant Commander in the Medical Corps, U.S. Navy Reserve, and on 9 April 1941, was ordered to active duty. In January 1943, he was promoted to Commander, and in March 1945, he became a Captain.

Jules' service during the war was entirely in the Pacific, except for several months in 1943 and 1944 when he was detailed to a course in postgraduate study in Physical Medicine and Surgery at the Mayo Clinic. His professional assignments during the war were wide and varied, proving his professional competence. His appointments included service as Senior Medical Officer aboard a combat vessel, Ward Medical Officer in a naval hospital, duty in orthopedics in a naval hospital, Chief of Surgery in two Fleet Hospitals, and Chief of Surgery on a hospital ship.

In July 1946, Jules' wartime commission was terminated, and he was commissioned as a Commander in the regular Navy Medical Corps; in August 1949, he was promoted to Captain. Between the time he was commissioned in the regular Navy and his retirement for physical disability in 1954, he held professional assignments too numerous to be mentioned here. They included, however, such important assignments as Medical Officer in Command at the Terminal Island Naval Base, Chief of Surgery at the Seattle Naval Hospital, temporary Commanding Officer of the Corona (California) Naval Hospital, and other important positions.

After his retirement in 1954, Jules served for some time as a physician with the American President Lines, on board their cruise ships. An acquaintance (and a patient) wrote to the headquarters of the firm: "One gentleman was particularly outstanding in my estimation and that of many passengers, namely Dr. Harold J. Chapman, Medical Doctor and Surgeon. As you know formerly, before retirement, he was a Captain in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps and held many positions that required great responsibilities for decisions.

"As a diagnostician he was tops. As an indefatigable worker with a tenacity to cure he was tops . . . (He was) an excellent conversationalist, impressed one as a deep and thorough reader and researcher, with a wide and detailed knowledge on many subjects, and with an avocation in his chosen field of medicine."

During the few remaining years of his life, Jules served the American Medical Association as the official inspector for the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals. This was a strenuous and exacting position that required constant travel, which he performed with all of his customary zeal and exactness, despite his own failing health.

In 1938 Jules married Florence Marie Gilbert. For twenty-eight years of a happy married life she was his helpmate who encouraged his every effort, and who survives him.

It is stating the obvious that the world is a bit better for Harold J. Chapman and is the worse for his having left it. His classmates and every man who has worn the cadet gray may well be proud to claim him as a fellow.

— *C.C.C.*

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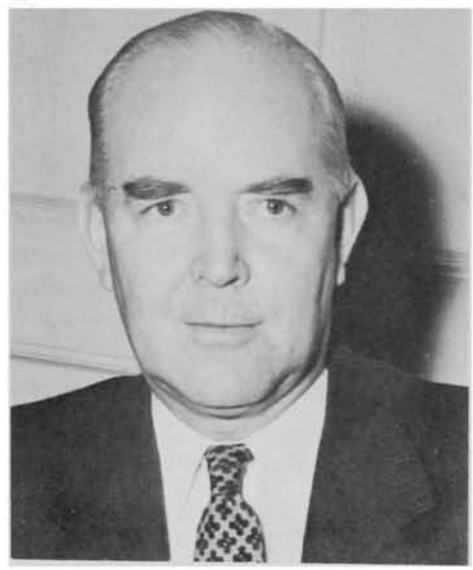
Donald James Leehey

NO. 6608 CLASS OF 1920

Died 26 April 1968 in Bellevue, Washington, aged 70 years.

Interment: Calvary Cemetery, Seattle, Washington



DONALD JAMES LEEHEY

DONALD JAMES LEEHEY WAS BORN in Butte, Montana, 28 November 1897, the son of Maurice Daniel and Anne Elizabeth (Murphy) Leehey. His family moved to Seattle where Don attended the public schools and then the University of Washington where he received an A.B. Degree.

Prior to his entry into the United States Military Academy by appointment from Alaska in 1918, Don had served in the Federalized National Guard with the rank of Sergeant. Following graduation from the United States Military Academy he completed the courses at the Engineer School at Camp A. A. Humphreys (now Fort Belvoir) and then, after a brief tour with troops he entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, where he graduated with the degree of Civil Engineer, the present day equivalent of a Master's Degree.

With the passing of Don Leehey, the Class of 1920 lost one of its most colorful and dynamic members. A devout son of West Point, deeply steeped in its lore and its traditions, he was at the same time a dedicated member of his Class, taking both interest and pride in the accomplishments and successes of his classmates. This latter attribute found expression in the two studies he made which highlighted the 30th and the 45th Reunions of the Class:

WEST POINT CLASS—
THIRTY YEARS LATER
VITAL STATISTICS—
AS OF JULY 1, 1963

Just prior to Don's demise, the Class Governing Committee asked him to undertake for the 50th Class Reunion in 1970 a study updating his two earlier ones. Gerrie, Don's widow, has since placed Don's files in the hands of the Governing Committee. Steps are now being taken to accomplish by group (Committee) action what Don would have done with the usual vivid results quite unaided. The end result of the group action when published will be a memorial to Don and a testimonial to that warm and friendly interest in his classmates which had prompted him to portray their foibles, accomplishments, creature habits and other vital and not-so-vital statistics in trenchant and humorous prose supported by actuarial charts covering the life-statistics of his classmates. All of us will sorely miss Don's unusual capacity for digesting, interpreting, and explaining what would otherwise have been bleak and forbidding statistical tabulations and charts—in his writing he showed the same mastery of language that marked his conversation: pungent, direct, vivid, and effective.

Don's career in the Service was an unusually varied one: after Rensselaer he had five years with Engineer troops at Fort Lewis, Camp Dix, Fort Dupont, and in the Philippines. He was assigned as Instructor in Engineering at West Point in 1927. In his five years at the Academy he performed additional duties with the Association of Graduates and with the Army Athletic Association. As Manager of Publications for the Army Athletic Association, he pioneered the publication of its football programs in the format and general content which shortly became the style in collegiate circles. In this extra-curricular activity Don displayed his innate business sense and the lively imagination supported by administrative and managerial talents which were to find fruitful outlets in his further military career and subsequently in the business world.

Upon the completion of his tour at the United States Military Academy in 1932, Don served on Civil Works assignments in the New Orleans District of the Corps of Engineers and then on the Passamaquoddy Tidal Power Project. As a Captain he next commanded the 2d Battalion of the 5th Engineers until he entered the Army Industrial College where he graduated in 1940. While at the Industrial College he made various statistical studies related to mobilization problems in time of war.

Don's assignment as District Engineer, Portland, Oregon, from late 1940 to 1943 gave him greater satisfaction in accomplishment than any other in his varied career. It provided an outlet for his native talents in carrying out a massive program of military construction in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington as well as an extensive investigational, study, design, and construction program of civil works related to flood control, navigation, and power development of the Columbia River and its tributaries. During this period he also served assignments with the Bonneville Power Authority, The International Boundary Commission, and the Governor's Committee on War Production in Oregon.

Don's career in the war and subsequently until he retired in 1946 in the grade of Colonel at his own request included one year as Chief of Staff, Engineering Training Center, Fort Claiborne, Louisiana; port and pipeline construction in Morocco and Algiers; duties with the Peninsular Base Section in Italy; an assignment with SHEAF to organize the Military Labor Force; staff and command duties with the IX Engineer Command in ETO; and finally in Washington, D. C., as Assistant to the Chief of Engineers. For his war service he was decorated by the United States and Italy.

In the business world after retirement from the Army, Don was for three years Vice President of the World Wide Development

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Corporation in charge of activities in the Argentine, Brazil and Mexico. He then formed the Envelopener Corporation and was its President until he was appointed Manager of Santa Fe Operations for the Atomic Energy Commission. On this latter duty he was charged with the development, testing, manufacturing, and storage of nuclear weapons.

Following his service with the AEC, Don and Gerrie moved to Seattle, and it was from this base he served as a free-lance consultant to the Boeing Aircraft Company, List Industries, MGMP Pictures, and the Glen Alden Corporation. These assignments involved the making of financial and management studies related to the Chatham Electronics Corporation, Mathes Air Conditioning Company and Ward La France Truck Co.

Don will be forever remembered by those who knew him as a witty and sparkling raconteur, largely of tales dredged out of his own experiences—many of these tales, we were all well aware, grew taller with each telling, but no less fascinating. Although strong and often dogmatic in his opinions, particularly in discussing personalities in the public eye, national politics, and the sociological problems of the day, his viewpoint was not that of a mossback conservative holding to an outmoded status quo. He was modest about his own attainments and accomplishments; devoted to his family and his church; a warm and comforting friend in times of stress. His open nature and instant friendliness helped blazon the path to the success he had in both his military and civilian careers. Don never allowed himself to be stifled by bureaucratic routines—these he was able to surmount by the exercise of his own fiscal, administrative, and managerial talents.

Don is survived by his widow Geraldine (nee Jackson), a daughter Alice (Mrs. W. W. Widdicomb), a daughter Anne (Mrs. John Connolly) and a son Lieutenant Colonel Donald J. Leehey Jr., Class of 1951 USMA, and 12 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Don's professional society memberships were: The American Society of Civil Engineers, The Society of American Military Engineers, and The American Ordnance Association. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, the Army and Navy Club of Washington, D.C., and the Washington Athletic Club of Seattle.

— *J.H.S.*

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Henry Jackson Hunt Jr.

NO. 6809 CLASS OF 1920

Died 22 October 1965 in Bradenton, Florida, aged 66 years.

Interment: Skyway Memorial Gardens, Bradenton, Florida

Henry Jackson Hunt Jr. was the sixth generation of men who served honorable professional careers as officers of the United States Army. Several of them were graduates of the United States Military Academy, and all were proud of their lineage tracing back to officers of the American Revolution which qualified them as members of the Society of the Cincinnati, of which Henry, like his forebears, was an active member.

His father, Henry Jackson Hunt, born in New Orleans 11 February 1869 and died in Washington, D. C., 26 May 1935, was an Infantry officer who commanded the 6th

Henry Jackson Hunt Jr.

Infantry Regiment in France with the A.E.F. of 1918-19, and retired on 12 April 1925 to live in Washington, D. C. Henry's mother, Mary Ethel Crofton Hunt, was an Army daughter born on Governor's Island 24 August 1875 and died in Rumson, New Jersey, 18 August 1962. Henry was one of three children. His younger brother, Lewis Cass, died in childhood and his sister, Ethel Crofton, now Mrs. Oskar Held, resides in Rumson, New Jersey.

Henry's grandfather was Lewis Cass Hunt, USMA 1849, born in Illinois 23 February 1824, and died at Fort Union, New Mexico, while on Indian frontier duty 6 September 1886. His wife, Abby Pierce Casey, was also an Army girl, her father being an eminent cavalryman of his day. Lewis Cass Hunt served as a Brigadier General of United States Volunteers, Union Army, during the Civil War, was wounded at Fair Oakes in 1862, commanded in the fight at Kingston, South Carolina, in 1863, and was in charge of New York Harbor defenses over the four following years.

Henry also had a great-uncle, Henry Jackson Hunt, USMA 1829, for whom his own father was named. This distinguished soldier was born in New York State, 14 September 1814 and died as the result of Indian-fighting injuries at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 11 February 1889. He had served as a Major General, United States Army, during the Civil War, being designated as Chief of Artillery, Union Forces, in the years 1863-65. He was the recipient of many honors for his military and associated civil-government assignments.

There was also an uncle, Lewis Casey, who served a lifetime career as a Regular Army officer until his death in Kansas in 1898.

Henry himself was born in Washington, D. C., 12 August 1899. He grew up on various Infantry posts, attending post schools until ready for high school which he entered in Indianapolis in 1914. Henry also attended Shadman's Preparatory School in Washington, D. C., prior to entering West Point under a congressional appointment from the State of Delaware.

On 7 April 1921, Henry was married to Rebecca Merriam Dunn of Washington, D. C., in a ceremony attended by classmates of 1920 and the bride's girlhood friends. Rebecca's father, Arthur William Dunn, was then National Director of the American Junior Red Cross in Washington.

Graduating from the Military Academy into the Infantry, Henry went directly to the Basic Course at Fort Benning with the other Infantrymen of 1920. Thereafter he served at a wide-ranging succession of stations with the 13th, 36th, 17th, 33d and 29th Regiments. He spent four years as an R.O.T.C. instructor at Georgetown University in Washington, and his foreign service tours included the Philippine Islands and Panama. During World War II, he trained and took into the ETO the 341st Infantry of the 86th (Black Hawk) Division, then fought it across France and deeply into Germany. In recognition of this service he received the Silver Star, the Bronze Star Medal, the Army Commendation Ribbon, and the French Croix de Guerre with double palm.

After service in the ETO, Henry had additional wartime duty in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater from which he was returned for retirement for physical disability on 20 September 1946. He and Becky settled in Bradenton, Florida, where they built a house, with later additions to accommodate their ever-growing family, during leaves, emergencies and tours in Korea and Vietnam. Between times, Henry was occupied with his very fine coin and stamp collections and the raising of tropical fish as well as overseeing the upkeep of his home and ground.

Henry Jackson Hunt Jr. died in his sleep on 22 October 1965. He was buried in Skyway Memorial Gardens outside Bradenton after a Requiem Mass at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Bradenton. His wife, Becky, survives him, living in their home at 717 Thirty-Second St., W., Bradenton, Florida 33505.

The long genealogical succession of Hunts in the Army and from West Point terminated with Henry's passing, as he left no son. He and Becky had three daughters, 15 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. His daughters are: Mary Elizabeth (Jo), born in Washington, D. C., 10 October 1922, now Mrs. James A. Deane of Ardmore, Pennsylvania. Her husband is a Colonel of Infantry in the Retired Reserve and Branch Manager of the Philadelphia office of Crawford and Company, Insurance Adjustors. They have four children and two grandchildren.

Isabel Allison (Allison), born in Washington, D. C., 13 July 1929, married Colonel Robert S. Douthitt, USMA 1946, who recently terminated duty in the office of the Chief of Research and Development at the Pentagon and is working on his Master's Degree at George Washington University. They have eight children and reside in Annandale, Virginia.

Gabrielle Josephine (Bab), born 15 March 1933 in the Panama Canal Zone, is now the wife of Colonel Joseph B. Rogers, USMA 1946. Colonel Rogers is currently stationed at the Pentagon. They live in Fairfax, Virginia with their three sons.

Among the grandchildren are Robert Hunt Douthitt, 17; Henry Hunt Deane, 13, and Henry Jackson Rogers, 10.

Henry Jackson Hunt Jr. was the essence of an Infantryman and the inheritor of a long tradition which he honored to the fullest. His record was in keeping with the best traditions of West Point and will always recall good memories among those who knew and served with him. To his family, particularly the many young members surviving him, will appear a man who respected his God, did his duty as he saw it, met the obligations

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of an honored inheritance, and treasured the inspirations received at West Point. May his soul rest in peace.

— *D.J.L. and J.H.S.*
Classmates

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Edward Lynn Andrews

NO. 7401 CLASS OF 1924
Died 21 August 1967 in Tucson, Arizona, aged 65 years.
Interment: McDonough, Georgia

EDWARD LYNN ANDREWS

ON 6 AUGUST 1902 in Lutie, County Latimer, Oklahoma, Edward Lynn Andrews was born, the son of Guy Lynn and Magdalena Andrews. This event occurred only thirteen years after the "Oklahoma Run." Like the state, in his youth he was vigorous. He always had his own pony, and during the summers, he was always riding on ranches or farms of friends. Later golf, tennis, baseball, and football were a release for his unbounded energy.

His early schooling through high school was in McAlester, Oklahoma. Upon graduation from high school, the Oklahoma School of Mines held him for a year; but the urge to go to West Point and follow a military career proved too much. He was appointed from the Third Congressional District, McAlester, Oklahoma.

While at the Academy, he was in the upper half of his Class. He had time to wrestle some; but later he decided to box, and he will be remembered as the "Blond Bombshell" who few enjoyed facing.

On 13 September 1924, with many of his classmates, his career as a Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery started in the 6th Field Artillery, Fort Hoyle, Maryland. Then came an assignment overseas, a much desired Station, Panama. From 21 May 1926 until 19 June 1929, he was at Camp Gatun with the 1st Battalion, 4th Field Artillery and the 2d Field Artillery Battalion.

On 17 July 1929, he became a First Lieutenant of Field Artillery. In those days becoming a first lieutenant meant a phenomenal jump in pay, and coupled with orders as a Student Officer, Battery Officers Course, was more than welcome. After graduating, he was assigned to the Advanced Course in Horsemanship. This was the assignment, the goal, that all wanted; only four or five were selected, and much prestige went with it. Then followed tours until 1934 at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, and Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Leaving Fort Bragg, he returned to Fort Sill with the Field Artillery Horse Show Team for four years, followed by assignment to commanding an 18th Field Artillery Battalion Battery, a demonstration Battery at Fort Sill.

Naturally, many assignments followed. Among them, on 17 February 1942 at the Air Force Advanced Flight School at Brooks Field, Texas, he became a student of the Observer Training Course. In July 1942, he attended the Leavenworth General Staff School.

Overseas, as a Battalion Commander, 8th Corps Artillery, he received the Bronze Star Medal for exceptional results obtained. He also became Deputy Commander, Assembly Area Command, Camp Philadelphia. Later, he was with the Western Base Section followed by his last assignment as S4 1st Constabulary Regiment, 1 March 1947. He retired as a Lieutenant Colonel, 31 October 1947.

In the 35th Anniversary Reunion Booklet of the "Thundering Herd," it says "Andy had been a regular visitor at the monthly luncheons in Washington, D.C., and every one enjoyed seeing him. But in 1957, he left to live with relatives in Mississippi." Several classmates went to see Andy at the Wilford Hall Hospital at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. Though terribly ill, he still had a smile.

— *A Classmate*

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Charles Mansfield Reading

NO. 7532 CLASS OF 1924
Died 19 December 1966, at Los Angeles, California, aged 66 years.
Interment: Forest Lawn, Glendale, California

CHARLES MANSFIELD READING

CHARLES MANSFIELD READING is survived by his wife Sylvia, to whom he was married for twelve years, also a sister Ella Sexton and daughter-in-law Barbara; a son Robert, born to his first wife, Billie, his high-school sweetheart, whom he married the day after graduaiton from the Academy and who died in 1954, and two grandchildren, Scott and Terry.

"Bucks," as he was known to his many friends and classmates, resigned his commission in the Regular Army on 13 November 1924. (This was at a time when the entire Regular Army could have occupied a modern football stadium with room to spare!)

He spent the year of 1925 as Commandant of Cadets at the Urban Military Academy, Los Angeles, California. In 1926 he was employed by the General Petroleum Corporation as an engineer in the Engineering Department at Los Angeles.

Not wishing to be separated completely from the military life he loved so well, "Bucks" was commissioned and Federally recognized as a First Lieutenant in Company L of the 160th Infantry Regiment, 40th Infantry Division, California National Guard in February of 1925. He was transferred to Brigade Staff in April of 1927 as a Captain.

He transferred to Army Reserve in September 1927, but returned to the National Guard in June of 1933 as a Major on the Staff of the 40th Infantry Division. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in April 1939 and entered on extended active duty on 3 March 1941, departed the United States in July 1942 and served as Finance Officer, 40th Infantry Division, in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations, returned to the United States in July 1943, and was released from active duty, honorably, 11 January 1946, as a Colonel.

On his return to the General Petroleum Corporation in 1946, "Bucks" was promoted to Assistant Construction Engineer, and in 1947 was promoted to the position of Assistant Manager of the Engineering Department. He was made Manager of the Engineering Department in 1949, a position he held until his retirement in 1960, after thirty-four years of service. As the Department Manager, he was responsible for all engineering activities in seven western states. Among his many accomplishments during this period was the building of a multi-million dollar refinery at Ferndale, Washington, plus major additions to the Refinery at Torrance, California.

After retirement from General Petroleum (now Mobil Oil), he spent the four years between 1961 and 1965 in reorganizing the Engineering Department for U. S. Borax Company. For them he built the world's largest borax bulk loading dock at Los Angeles Harbor.

In the 1924 Yearbook at the Academy, part of the comment under "Buck's" picture reads: "Charlie was at his best in a stag gathering of any sort. He is the kind that offers you his last cigarette and tells you he has quit smoking. Always ready with a helping hand, a bit of cheer or information, 'Bucks' is as popular as they come. From all indications, the Doughboys will get a gentleman, a scholar, and a judge—of everything!"

After relief from active duty following World War II, "Bucks" spent many hours of his personal time advising widows and orphans of servicemen and assisting them in obtaining their rights under the new G.I. Law.

Lieutenant General Charles E. Hart (Ret) said of him: "Bucks Reading was a personable, well-liked, intelligent, and mature young man during the four years I knew him as a roommate at the United States Military Academy. Bucks always carried his share of the load and never shirked his assigned

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responsibilities. He was neat and soldierly in appearance, good humored and pleasant to work with or to be with socially. Had Bucks chosen to pursue a military career in the Regular Army, I am confident that he would have made an enviable record as a military leader."

Another of his roommates at the Academy, Colonel R. J. McBride (Ret) said: "Having lived with him for three years, if I had to describe him in one word, the word would have to be HONORABLE. His character seemed to me to fit perfectly with the Academy Motto of DUTY-HONOR-COUNTRY."

One of his Efficiency Reports in the Army stated in part: "He is admired and respected by officers and men alike." This quality of being liked and respected at the same time extended to his civilian pursuits as well. One of his colleagues in the Oil Industry told me that on field inspection tours of officials and engineers, many a common laborer on seeing him would wave and call out "Hi, Charlie!"

Having known "Bucks" Reading for forty years, I shall always remember him for his even temper, his happy personality, and his strength of character. He was a perfect gentleman and given to complete loyalty to his friends, of whom he had many. On his journey through "This Vale of Tears," I am glad he passed my way.

— *A Friend*

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Henry Gordon Douglas

NO. 8031 CLASS OF 1927

Died 11 November 1967 in Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco, California, aged 63 years.

Cremation

HENRY GORDON DOUGLAS

HENRY GORDON DOUGLAS was born in Honolulu, on 1 April 1904, where his father, Colonel Joseph B. Douglas, was stationed. He grew up in the Army and entrance into West Point became his goal. Doug was a very fine scholar and had no trouble entering the Academy with a Presidential appointment. Being a good soldier as well as a good student, he attained the rank of Cadet Captain and Regimental Supply Officer. Thus he was able to continue to room with George Martin who had become Cadet First Captain and Regimental Commander.

On graduation he selected the Corps of Engineers and received his first assignment to the 3d Engineers in the land of his birth —Hawaii. Those were the days of the slow boats and the long waits, the best of which was the ten-day stopover in San Francisco. After a year at Schofield Barracks, his Cadet sweetheart, Janet Gardner, sister of his classmate Francis Scoon Gardner, arrived and they were married. Highlight of the wedding, which was attended by the whole regiment, was the ride of the bride and groom from the Chapel to the Officers Club in a gaily decorated pontoon wagon drawn by a pair of good old Army mules.

Doug's career was outstanding for his many duty assignments with troop units. From the 3d Engineers, after a year at the University of California at Berkeley, where he obtained his degree in Engineering, he went to the 13th Engineers at Fort Humphries, Virginia. This was followed by assignment to the Engineer School Detachment. Doug had the usual assignment of those days —command of a Civilian Conservation Corps camp. The next three years were spent at Yale University on ROTC duty. Two years with the Baltimore Engineer District brings us up to the outbreak of World War II.

Doug was now a Captain commanding Company A of the 4th Engineers at Fort Benning, Georgia. At that time the Army was expanding at a rapid rate, and Doug was on the move. He commanded a battalion of the 42d Engineers and moved on to be Executive Officer of the 43d. After Pearl Harbor he served as Executive Officer and Commander of the 94th Engineers. For a short while he had command of the 377th Engineer Battalion.

On 2 June 1943 he received his colonel's eagles and took command of the 1102d Engineer Combat Group. This turned out to be the unit he was to command for the rest of the war. Nine months later the unit was in England getting ready for the Normandy Invasion. After "D" Day, Doug took his group through all the campaigns—Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe. Doug had command of a troop unit throughout the war, which was the assignment he really liked.

After VE Day, Doug returned to Fort Belvoir and had command of the 1114th Engineer Group and the School Detachment. During most of the remainder of the period between World War II and Korea he was assigned to the Army Air Corps in Okinawa and the Philippines. He was back in the States in command of the 36th Engineer Combat Group when the Korean War broke out. Off to Korea with his unit, Doug once more had his troop unit command in an active theater. He returned from Korea in early 1952, and was assigned as Engineer Inspector General in San Francisco. His last two years before retirement were spent as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Texas Tech in Lubbock, Texas.

Son of a soldier, Doug was justly proud of his many troop assignments, even on Civilian Conservation Corps duty he had a "veteran" camp composed entirely of ex-service men. Long before retirement Doug and Jan selected the hills of Sausalito in the San Francisco Bay Area as the place where they would settle. Those of the class in the Bay Area will long remember how we celebrated our 40th Reunion in his home, looking out at the view of the beautiful San Francisco Bay.

He is survived by his wife, Janet; a son, H. Gordon Douglas, both of Sausalito; and a daughter, Mrs. Terance P. Cummings of Mundelein, Illinois, and six grandchildren.

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Edward Jamet McNally

NO. 8624 CLASS OF 1929

Died 28 July 1968 in Washington, D.C., aged 62 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

EDWARD JAMET MCNALLY

ON SUNDAY MORNING, 28 July 1968, in Washington, D. C., Mac passed away as he had lived—calmly and considerately.

Mac was born in Baltimore, Maryland, on 27 February 1906, the son of Henry R. and Justine Jamet McNally. He attended public schools and served for a year and a half in the Maryland National Guard before being appointed to the Military Academy by the then Senator Tydings.

Among his classmates of 1929, Mac was best remembered for his even temper, his sparkling dry wit, and for just being plain good company. He was an average cadet, excelling in some academic subjects, experiencing difficulty with others. He made the football squad, walked the area, and wore sergeant's stripes his First Class year. He stood well enough in the Class to have his choice of branch of service—Cavalry. Following graduation in June 1929, he reported to his first duty station at Fort Ringgold, Texas, as a Second Lieutenant of the Second Squadron, 12th Cavalry.

There on the Mexican border, during those rather quiet years following the Great Depression and prior to World War II, Mac found genuine satisfaction as a mounted service "officer and gentleman." He became intensely interested in the Cavalry arm, particularly in tactics. Communications had a special appeal for him. His enthusiasm in this specialty led to an assignment in June 1932, as a student at the Signal School. Mac learned his lessons well and in subsequent assignments established his reputation as a first-rate "communicator." Upon completing his studies at Fort Monmouth, Mac received orders to Fort Riley, Kansas, as a student in the 1933-1934 Troop Officer's course at the Cavalry School.

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At the School, Mac excelled in subjects relating to Cavalry tactics and techniques. He also found ample opportunity and encouragement to further his skill and enjoyment of equestrian sports. Steeple chasing was his favorite activity then, with polo a close second.

Upon graduating from the course, Mac was assigned as Communications Officer of the 2d Cavalry Regiment at Fort Riley. He remained at Riley until the fall of 1937. His four-year stretch there facilitated his meeting and knowing most of his contemporaries and many of his seniors in the Cavalry arm. Mac was warmly regarded and was a very-much-in-demand bachelor either to escort that young lady visitor or for family dinners. Enduring friendships begun then were to prevail through active service and retirement and to extend over a great portion of the world.

From Riley, Mac was ordered to the Philippine Islands, reporting in late 1937 for assignment with the 26th Cavalry Regiment at Fort Stotsenburg. His service in the Philippines was curtailed by the rare opportunity for detail as a Chinese language student. He reported to the Office of the Military Attaché in the United States Embassy in Peiping in June 1938 to commence a four-year tour of duty. Under any circumstances, a tour in China, especially Peiping, was considered a choice assignment. With Japan and China engaged in open warfare at the time, Mac reckoned that there would be a large bonus in the form of extracurricular excitement. (He was not to be disappointed.)

Mac relished every day of the two-and-a-half years that he spent in Peiping. He was an avid student who made excellent progress and easily became fully familiar with his new environment. He also found time for polo and other mounted sports and for travel as extensively as circumstances, i.e., the Japanese, would permit. Mac quickly became known and well liked, both in the international community as well as with his fellow Americans. He lived graciously and extended his hospitality generously to visitors and residents.

With the outbreak of war in Europe, life in Peiping became tense and restless as European members of the community took up opposite camps. The Germans and Italians no longer spoke with the British and French. The Sino-Japanese situation continued to deteriorate, and Americans were increasingly harassed by truculent Japanese. In November 1940, American families were evacuated to the United States. The following month, the four Army language students were ordered to proceed to Chengtu in West China, the site of West China University and of several refugee universities displaced by the war, to continue studies. Three went by sea to Hong Kong, thence by air via Chunking. Mac was charged with transporting himself and the heavier baggage via Rangoon, Burma, and thence by truck up the barely opened Burma Road. It was a wild and memorable trip for Mac, requiring nearly three months to accomplish. By August 1941, it became increasingly apparent that the United States would become involved in the wars, both in Asia and Europe. The language study was discontinued in Chengtu. Mac and his three colleagues were appointed Assistant Military Attachés and given various duty assignments. Mac was attached to the Chinese Army in Yunnan, an experience that was to prepare him well for future responsibilities. Immediately following Pearl Harbor, he was assigned to the newly formed United States Military Mission in Chungking. With the arrival of General Stilwell and the activation of the China-Burma-India Theater in March 1942, Mac was designated Assistant Chief of Staff G2, of the Headquarters in Chungking. In December 1942, he was transferred in the same capacity to the Chinese-American Combat Command in India where General Stilwell was preparing his three-division Chinese Army to re-enter Burma.

According to Major General H. L. Boatner, then Stilwell's Chief of Staff in India-Burma, Mac was selected as the ablest officer available to precede the Headquarters to Assam and control the concentration of the Chinese forces in the Ledo area. Later, when a part of the Chinese attacking force began to bog down against stiff Japanese opposition, Mac was again selected, this time to fill the role of resident liaison officer with one of the divisions. With his knowledge of Chinese ways, he was able to develop a mutual respect and with tact and persuasion managed to influence the impasse favorably.

In April 1944, after nearly seven years overseas and despite his urgent pleas to remain in the Theater, Mac was ordered back to Washington and was designated a Japanese, and later a Far East, Specialist in the Intelligence Division of the Army General Staff. He remained in this assignment during the remainder of the war except for one interlude when he was designated to accompany former Secretary of War Patrick Hurley on his trip to China in an attempt to resolve the increasing difficulties between General Stilwell and Chiang Kai-shek.

During the turbulent period following the war, Mac, as did his contemporaries, received a variety of assignments in rapid succession. In the spring of 1946 he attended the Second Command Class at Fort Leavenworth. He was then assigned to the Army Field Forces Headquarters, first in Washington and then at Fort Monroe.

On 10 October 1946, Mac married Adele Coyle Condon. He was the last of the Class of 1929 to trade his bachelor status for a blissful companionship.

In June 1948, Mac was assigned as Chief of Staff, 2d Armored Division at Fort Hood. A year later, he joined the Joint United States Military Mission in Greece and became Chief of Staff of the ground section. For this important period of his service, the Chief of Staff of the Army wrote in a letter of commendation to Mac—"Your ability was an important factor in supervising and coordinating the training of the Greek National Army."—Also, Mac was decorated for his work by King Paul personally.

Returning to the United States in December 1951, he served as Assistant Chief of Staff G3 at the Armored Center at Fort Knox. In August 1953, he reported as a student to the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Following graduation, he became Chief of Staff of the Fourth Army at Fort Sam Houston.

A year later, Mac was back in the Far East serving in Japan as Assistant Division Commander of the 1st Cavalry Division until August 1966, when he became Deputy Chief of Staff for Administration at Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Far East at Camp Zama. On 13 March 1957, Mac received his well deserved promotion to Brigadier General. In July of that year, the Army forces in the Pacific Command and the Far East Command were reorganized as United States Army Pacific. General I. D. White, the then USAFFE Commander and newly appointed overall Commander-in-Chief, US ARPAC, wrote of Mac's service under him at the time:

"When the joint command was established in Hawaii, I sent Mac to Shafter ahead of the rest of us to help get things organized for the new USARPAC and the enlarged staff. Mac did a magnificent job in effecting the reorganization of the Headquarters and all the problems incident thereto. His assignment was G1, a position which he filled with great distinction, and a difficult one due to the constant problems involving personnel changes in the expanding responsibilities of the Command and the Headquarters.

Mac was of tremendous assistance to me in carrying out my responsibilities, not only from the standpoint of the parameters of his GI duties, but I sought and valued his advice on many matters of concern."

Mac and Adele found great satisfaction and enjoyment during their tours in Japan and Hawaii and in their warm association with General and Mrs. White and other members of the Headquarters. Retirement on 31 July 1959 came far too early for such an able and energetic officer.

During his service, Mac was decorated with: the Legion of Merit and two oak leaf clusters, the Yun Hui (Chinese), and the Order of the Phoenix (Greece). Mac was probably proudest of his Combat Infantryman Badge awarded during the Burma Campaign and reminiscent of his tribulations and triumphs while serving with the Chinese forces.

Mac and Adele established their retirement base in Washington, first in an apartment, then a house, and then back to an apartment, as the latter provided them more flexibility for the extensive traveling that gave them so much happiness. They found as much pleasure in revisiting familiar scenes as in exploring those few areas that were still strange to them, and they delighted in seeing old friends wherever they might be.

Throughout the span of his adult years, Mac's unselfish attitude toward life remained in consonance with the description in 1929's HOWITZER . . . "As a companion on the march, in barracks or in the classroom, he is always welcome, and often in the darkest moments, amusing." No finer tribute could be accorded a comrade who lived his life as a loyal soldier and true gentleman. He will be sorely missed.

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George Kumpe

NO. 9328 CLASS OF 1932

Died 25 June 1966 in Tampa, Florida, aged 55 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

I SUPPOSE A MEMORIAL ARTICLE can start at any of several points in time, but for a member of the Long Gray Line, it must begin with the day he entered West Point. George's roommate for all four years, Charlie Baer, describes that beginning very well.

"George was the epitome of a perfect gentleman in every way. He was successful in everything he did, from academics to the captaincy of the pistol team, often at some expense to himself but never at the expense of others. During all four years, George had 'Late Lights' after taps for assisting cadets in academics, starting the coaching in his own G Company, then branching out to adjoining F and H. George, who hardly added to his own store of

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GEORGE KUMPE

knowledge by spending endless hours pounding basics into grateful goats two or three classes behind him, ranked fifth in our Class on graduation. There must be literally dozens of officers who owe their commissions to George Kumpe."

He was born in San Francisco, 11 February 1911, the son of Colonel George E. Kumpe, a Regular Army officer who won the DSM in World War I, commanded Fort Monmouth when George joined our Class and finished his career as Commanding Officer, Alaskan Communications System. George's elder brother, Edward F., was USMA '30. George attended Red Bank, New Jersey, High School and Columbia Prep School in Washington before joining us on the stoops of barracks that hot July day 40 years ago.

At West Point, George lettered on the pistol team every year and was a 150-pound tackle on the first Engineer football team ever to beat the Goats in the annual Thanksgiving Day classic. Then the Big Team beat Navy two days later, and another myth was exploded. He followed the regulations by preference and worked on his roommates (unsuccessfully) to do the same, but took five demerits himself for not reporting a cadet late (who would have received one for the late).

After graduation into the Corps of Engineers, George started his service with the District Engineer Office, whose area included waterways of the West Coast of Florida, then took a Master of Science Degree at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Following this he had two years of rugged troop duty with the United States Philippine Infantry Division Engineers at Fort McKinley during which time he met Francetta (Frenchy) Falisi, the daughter of a distinguished Regular Army surgeon who was stationed there at the time. George and Frenchy were married at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, on 19 August 1938 and had two daughters; Mary A. Kumpe, now Mrs. Leonard Hyman, born at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, in 1940, and Ann R. Kumpe born at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in 1946.

In World War II, George was where the action was, first as an Engineer Battalion Commander in Tunisia, then in Sicily and in Italy from Naples to the Arno. Redeployed through England in 1944, he was in the Normandy and Northern France campaigns and commanded an Engineer Regiment in the Ardennes, (including the Battle of the Bulge) and Rhineland campaigns. Before it was all over, he was in command of an Engineer Brigade and had been awarded two Bronze Star Medals and the Croix de Guerre.

After the war, George had varied senior assignments at Headquarters Fifth Army, on the Munitions Board, with the Milwaukee District Engineers; and for three years served in the United States Far East Command and the United Nations Command in Tokyo. During this period he graduated from the Command and General Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He was Executive Officer of the Industrial College when he retired in August 1959.

Without a pause, George continued his important work in the Civil Engineering field, this time as Executive Director of the West Coast Inland Navigation District of Florida, a large area encompassing six counties on the west coast of Florida, to develop the intracoastal waterway from Fort Myers to Tarpon Springs. George held the position with distinction for seven years. During that time he established himself as a solid member of the community; President of Sarasota Project ALERT, was very active in the church and taught a course in Americanism versus Communism to Seniors at Cardinal Mooney High School, a course which is required by Florida law.

Charlie and Essie Baer visited the Kumpes in November of 1965. Driving back to their house from a little excursion with George at the wheel, they approached a crossroads where Frenchy remarked: "This is a dangerous intersection. It's complicated and the visibility isn't good."

Seven months later, returning from a ground-breaking ceremony on the Cross-Florida Barge Canal Project, in the same car at the same intersection, with conservative George driving, another car smashed into theirs at 3:15 on the clear afternoon of 25 June 1966. George was killed instantly, and Frenchy died of injuries three days later. By cruel irony, Mary was to visit her parents and had arrived at their home a few hours before.

After services in Sarasota, George and Frenchy were interred together in Arlington Cemetery. Some 20 members of '32 attended including J.C.S. Chairman, Bus Wheeler; Air Force Chief of Staff, J. P. McConnell; Army Materiel Commander, Frank Besson; Commander-in-Chief United Nations Command Korea, Dwight Beach; George Mather from his V Corps in Germany, and of course, roommate Charlie Baer who reacted fast and made the arrangements in Washington.

But their memory lives on. When daughter Mary was married, Major General William Biddle, USMA '23, gave the bride away, and Bill and Lil Powers gave the reception with Charlie and Essie Baer in attendance. All did what her devoted parents would have done for her.

Almost a year later, the official opening of a major part of George's Florida waterway took place with an impressive three-day celebration. It opened with the dedication of the largest bridge crossing the waterway, which, in the presence of his mother, sister, two daughters and son-in-law, was named the Colonel George Kumpe Bridge. A fitting tribute to, and lasting reminder of a career officer, gentleman, close friend and

—Classmate
Ken Zitzman
Brig. Gen. U.S.A. Ret
U.S.M.A. 1932

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Frederick William Gibb

NO. 9852 CLASS OF 1933

Died 6 September 1968 in Washington, D.C., aged 60 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

FREDERICK WILLIAM GIBB

FREDERICK W. GIBB was born in New York City on 24 July 1908. He was appointed to the United States Military Academy from New York and graduated in 1933 as a second Lieutenant of Infantry.

His first assignment was to the 20th Regiment of the 2d Infantry Division at Fort Frances E. Warren, Wyoming. The tradition behind the crossed rifles of the Infantryman, which General Gibb pinned to his uniform in July 1933 was to be furthered and enhanced just nine years later at the beginning of World War II when he was the Operations Officer of the 16th Infantry. Prior to his departure for England in August 1942, he was placed in command of the 3d Battalion, 16th Infantry. He remained in command for the invasion of North Africa and the assault on Oran. Again, as the Operations Officer, 16th Infantry, he participated in the Tunisian Campaign and the Invasion of Sicily for which he was awarded the Legion of Merit.

As the 1st Division G3 in the early months of 1944, he was responsible for planning the Division's assault on Omaha Beach in Normandy for the D-Day invasion of the continent. General Gibb was awarded an oak leaf cluster to the Legion of Merit for his part in this operation. In mid July of 1944 he was placed in command of the 16th Infantry Regiment. General Gibb led the 16th Regiment through five campaigns across the continent from the breakout at Normandy to Czechoslovakia. Behind him were the battles of Normandy, Saint Lo, Mons, Aachen, Hurtgen Forest, Ardennes, Remagen, and the Harz Mountains. During these campaigns he was decorated by the French, Belgian, and Czechoslovakian governments in addition to the Silver Star and the Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device and three oak leaf clusters.

Following World War II, he completed the First Command Course at the Command and General Staff College in February 1946 and became Chairman, Attack Committee of the Tactical Department, The Infantry School.

In 1948, he attended the National War College and was assigned as a member of

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the Advanced Study Group, Plans and Operations Division, Army General Staff for one year. From July 1950 to September 1952 he served as a member of the Joint Strategic Plans Group of the Joint Staff.

In October 1952, General Gibb was given the assignment of Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Operations, Headquarters Allied Land Forces, Southeastern Europe at Izmir, Turkey. Following his return to the States in July 1954, General Gibb served at the Department of the Army in consecutive assignments as Chief, Army War Plans Branch; Assistant Chief, Organization and Training Division; and Director of Organization and Training, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations.

On 17 September 1956, he was appointed Commanding General, Army Combat Development Experimentation Center, Fort Ord, California. On 1 August 1959, he was promoted to Major General, and on 4 December 1959 he was assigned as Commanding General, 2d Infantry Division at Fort Benning, Georgia. He was retired for physical disability in June 1961.

General Gibb's decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit (with oak leaf cluster), the Bronze Star Medal with V Device (with two oak leaf clusters), the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Military Cross (Czechoslovakia), the Order of White Lion (Checkoslovakia) (Third Class), the Legion of Honor (France), the Fourragere (France) the Croix de Guerre with Palm (France), the Order of Leopold (Belgium), the Croix de Guerre with Palm (Belgium), and the Fourragere (Belgium).

General Gibb is is survived by his second wife Ruth—his first wife, Delana, died in 1959—a son, Frederick W. Gibb II, a daughter Jean Gibb Phillips, wife of Major Fred B. Phillips USMA 1955, and a step-daughter Susan E. Wilson, and twelve grandchildren.

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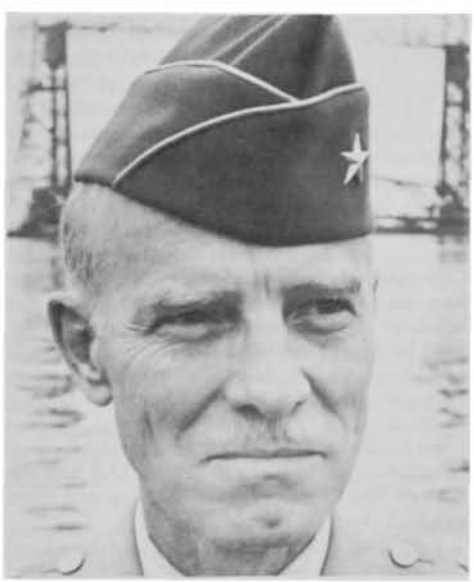
Thomas DeForth Rogers

NO. 9934 CLASS OF 1934

Died 29 March 1968 in San Francisco, California, aged 59 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York



THOMAS DEFORTH ROGERS

THOMAS DEFORTH ROGERS was born at Hibbing, Minnesota, on 20 January 1909. He enlisted in the Army in 1929 and was assigned to the 31st Infantry in the Philippines. In 1930 he won a Regular Army competitive appointment to West Point.

Tom soon made his mark in the academic field, wearing stars all four years and eventually graduating second in his class. Many a "goat" classmate was pulled through by Tom's judicious coaching. Among other accolades that came to him was Chairmanship of the Cadet Honor Committee.

One day following Graduation Day, Tom married Doris Evelyn Preu in the Cadet Chapel, and after graduation leave, they reported to his first station, Fort Peck, Montana, where he worked on the construction of the Fort Peck Dam across the Missouri River. From there he went to the 8th Engineers at Fort McIntosh, Texas, and, after branch schooling, he was assigned to the Canal Zone as assistant to the Governor in connection with the Third Locks project.

When the United States entered World War II, Tom went to Europe as Chief of the Engineer Supply Division and took part in the North Africa and Sicily Operations. He then joined the 2d Armored Division as Division Engineer, moving with the division to England in preparation for the invasion of France. During the planning phase there was great concern over the rapid removal of beach obstacles which the Germans had placed to hinder the deployment of armor and artillery. On Utah Beach, the 1106th Engineer Combat Group was given this task, and Tom was appointed its commander. The engineer demolition teams landed with the first wave and did an outstanding job. Tom was awarded the Silver Star for his part in this operation.

The Group continued across France and Belgium as part of VII Corps and took part in the first breach of the Siegfried Line near Aachen. During the reduction of that city the Engineers were committed as Infantry. Those were the days of the V-1 and V-2, so Tom, finding some street cars on a hill overlooking the city, developed the ultimate weapon (until then), the V-13. The cars were loaded with captured ammunition, a time fuse attached and then they were "launched" down the hill. Not much effect, but lots of noise and something to write home about.

In December of 1944, Tom was reassigned to Fort Leavenworth as Chief of the Logistics Division of the Command and General Staff School, a signal honor for an officer with a scant ten years service. In 1946, he returned to Germany as Engineer of the U. S. Constabulary, and on completion of that tour he was appointed Resident Member of the Engineer Board at Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

In 1951, Tom was assigned to be Engineer of the XVIII Airborne Corps, and, at the tender age of 42, successfully completed jump school. In 1954, he graduated from the Army War College and then served successive tours as District Engineer at Savannah, Georgia, and New York City.

In 1959, he went to Korea as a Senior Advisor to the ROK Army and then to Chicago as Division Engineer, North Central Division, in which position he was promoted to Brigadier General. In 1963, he suffered a serious heart attack for which he was later retired.

After such an illustrious career as soldier, engineer, and logistician, one would expect Tom to settle down to a well deserved retirement. Not Tom. He immediately went back to Korea, under civilian contract, as advisor to the Korean Joint Construction Agency. After completing this contract he accepted a position in San Francisco as a manager for the joint venture constructing the Bay Area Rapid Transit System, a pioneering urban transit project of tremendous magnitude. It was on this job that his heart finally failed.

Tom is survived by his wife and two children: Dr. Thomas D. Rogers, a professor of mathematics at the University of Alberta; and Sue Peters of Brunswick, Georgia; and two grandchildren.

— Robert E. Erlenkotter
Col. USA Ret. '34

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Richard Elmer Ellsworth

NO. 10240 CLASS OF 1935

Died 18 March 1953 in Newfoundland, aged 41 years.

Interment: Black Hills National Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota

RICHARD ELMER ELLSWORTH

ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE, Rapid City, South Dakota, was dedicated in June 1953 by President Eisenhower. This ceremony was a fitting tribute to Dick Ellsworth who devoted his life to the service of his country and lost it in a final exercise testing our nation's defenses. The operation in which he and his crew perished on 18 March 1953 included a low level penetration of the radar defenses of the North American continent. The plane left the Azores and navigated back toward Rapid City Air Force Base without using the navigation radar, in order to test the defenses. A freak weather pattern in the North Atlantic evidently introduced a serious error in calculation of ground speed and the plane crashed into the hills of Newfoundland in the fog and night, the crew presuming they were still over water. This was an ironic ending for one of the most highly trained and experienced meteorologists in the United States Air Force.

Dick Ellsworth was born 18 July 1911 in Erie, Pennsylvania. He prepared for West Point at Millard's Prep School in Washington, D. C., where his classmate, Jack Boyle, recalls that he led his class in academics and won a competitive examination for a highly coveted National Guard appointment to the United States Military Academy from the State of Pennsylvania.

At West Point he stood high in his class,

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his keen intelligence enabling him to cope with academics without a struggle. His gregarious nature endeared him to his classmates, many of whom he helped over the more difficult academic hurdles. He was the kindest and most considerate of men, possessed of a graciousness and charm that made him at ease in any company, and yet willing always to subordinate his own interests for those of others. Very early he displayed the natural leadership potential which was to result in such a brilliant military career.

He had the coordination of the natural athlete. He was a fine horseman and participated in track, cross country, and wrestling. His graceful stride, as he ran through the hills, is still a vivid memory. He was uncannily accurate with a shotgun and, typically, would let everyone else in the party shoot first, then take a bird too far away for the rest and knock it down.

Dick had the adventurous spirit and unfettered mind that kept him clear of the well-worn ruts of tradition. For example, on second class furlough, when most cadets merely went home, he took a freighter for Europe and instead of spending most of his time in the usual tourist spots, headed for the out-of-the-way places, such as Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Turkey.

Always a willing participant in class activities, he served on the Ring Committee when it came time for the class to choose its ring design.

Dick was commissioned in the Regular Army on his graduation from West Point, 12 June 1935. He applied for pilot training and was sent to Randolph Field, Texas, where he completed flying training in June 1936. He received his advanced flying training at Kelly Field, Texas, and upon completion of this course was rated as an Airplane Pilot and Air Observer. During the ensuing six years, he served at Mitchel Field, Kelly Field, and the Sacramento Air Depot. He received a Master's Degree in Meteorology from the California Institute of Technology in 1941. After a short tour as a transport pilot in Alaska in early 1942, he was assigned to the South Pacific Area from October 1942 to January 1943 to coordinate Army Air Corps weather matters. He then attended the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, and in July 1943 was assigned to the China-Burma-India Theater.

Dick arrived in India in August 1943 and was designated as the Regional Control Officer for the 10th Weather Region and Commanding Officer of the 10th Weather Squadron, the operational unit of the Region. This assignment thrust him into the middle of the many difficult problems that confronted the Army Air Corps in the Far East and gave him the opportunity to contribute greatly to the prodigious air supply operations over the "Hump" and into China. With China cut off from the outside world, except for the air route over the Hump, both General Chennault and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek were determined to use every pound of the airlift capability for desperately needed supplies and vigorously opposed Dick's plan to ship weather forecasters and observers into China. Dick recognized that, though Chennault was operating under severe logistic stringencies, weather still constituted the greatest single hindrance to the flow of air traffic between India and China. His persistence resulted in the acceptance of his plan. Not only were weather stations established along the Hump route, but weathermen came to operate behind the Japanese lines, both in China and in Southeast Asia.

These operations were fraught with difficulties: inadequate communications; dependence on data collected by a Chinese air warning system, more expert at spotting Japanese aircraft than observing meterological developments. As a squadron report for the period indicates: "Most of the pushing, the planning and even the paperwork of this period was done singlehanded by the Colonel himself. Rarely was he able to rely on his staff for the right answers to pressing problems. At best his staff could only handle the routine duties of keeping the regional weather ship afloat; it knew nothing of tactical steering or administrative navigation."

This period saw the establishment of the India and China Weather Centrals, which provided long range forecasts for the B-29 bombing missions.

While assigned to the CBI Theater, Dick flew 400 combat missions, most of them in a 10th Weather Squadron C-47. He helped pioneer the establishment of regular night flights over the Hump. Weathermen at sites throughout the theater looked forward to the arrival of his ship, "the Betsy," with mail from home, PX supplies, needed equipment and reports from the outside world. For his achievements while serving in the CBI Theater, Dick was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with a bronze oak leaf cluster; the Legion of Merit; the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters and the Commendation Ribbon.

In 1945, Dick was reassigned to Headquarters, Air Weather Service in Washington, D. C., as Chief of Operations and Training Division. With the numerical strength and number of weather stations operated by AWS dropping rapidly, he was instrumental in maintaining the Weather Service at a high level of efficiency. In the words of the Air Weather Service Commander, Colonel Donald N. Yates, in a letter of commendation on 29 April 1946: "The continuing efficient functioning of the Weather Service could not have been possible except for the success of . . . (Colonel Ellsworth's) long-range plans and forecasts of future needs."

In the summer of 1946, Dick left Headquarters AWS to activate the 308th Reconnaissance Group (Weather) at Morrison Field, West Palm Beach, Florida. There followed a year of transition for both Dick and the weather reconnaissance arm of AWS, with pressing problems in manning, equipping, and supplying the four reconnaissance squadrons and coping with the shortage of navigators. In June 1947, the group moved to Fairfield-Suisun Air Base in California, and for the next two years, under Dick's command, provided weather reconnaissance off the West Coast, trained new weather reconnaissance aircrews and units, and accomplished such special projects as the Ptarmigan weather reconnaissance flight over the North Pole.

Dick left the 308th in July 1949 to attend the Air War College. On graduation, he was assigned to the Strategic Air Command, first as Chief of the Plans Division, Directorate of Operations, at Headquarters Second Air Force (SAC), at Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana and then, from November of 1950 to the 28th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing (SAC), at Rapid City Air Force Base, South Dakota. He served as Wing Commander and then as Commanding General of the base. His promotion to brigadier general came on 5 September 1952 at the age of 41.

The huge RB-36 planes of the Strategic Reconnaissance Wing pioneered many operations of great significance to the mission of the Strategic Air Command. It was on one of these flights to the Azores and back to Rapid City that the unit executed the dangerous test that resulted in the destruction of the airplane and snuffed out the lives of all aboard. Dick, as usual, was in the pilot's seat, supervising the test himself, apparently unaware of the freak weather pattern that invalidated the careful flight planning and en route navigation.

It was particularly fitting that the President should rename Rapid City Air Force Base in honor of this brilliant officer, whose career came to such an untimely end.

Dick married Mary Anne Thornton in August 1936. They had three fine sons. John Richard, born in 1939, was graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1962, flew for the Air Force until 1967 and is now a TWA pilot. Paul, born in 1944, served a hitch in the Air Force, is now married, with two sons, Richard E. and Darold K., and lives in Rapid City, South Dakota, where he is a field adjuster for the New York Life Insurance Company. Robert Lincoln, born in 1947, is now a student at the University of South Dakota. Mary Anne has recently remarried. She is now Mrs. Lincoln Borglum and resides in Hermosa, South Dakota.

Perhaps the most fitting summation for Dick's life is to be found in the words of President Eisenhower, in dedicating Ellsworth Air Force Base: "We are met here in tribute to a gallant and patriotic American—a man whose name will always be an honor to the members of his family and this Air Base. It is my very great honor to dedicate this base in honor of Brigadier General Richard E. Ellsworth."

— His Classmates

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Norman Arthur Loeb

NO. 10310 CLASS OF 1935

Died 27 August 1944 in Prestwick, Scotland, aged 33 years.

Interment: Long Island National Cemetery, Farmingdale, New York

NORM CAME TO WEST POINT from Dunkirk, New York, on the south shore of Lake Erie. It was a delightful area, with a resort climate but with a population more interested in working than in playing, and Norman A. Loeb was one of its finest sons. He had grown up in a family which fostered high standards of personal responsibility and service. His father had been Executive Secretary to the Speaker of the New York State Assembly. Later, he became the District Collector of Internal Revenue. Norm's parents, Charles D. and Elizabeth Loeb, had lived in Dunkirk for a number of years, so it was natural that Norm was well-known and respected in his community. He was president of his class in high school, but he was so modest about his accomplishments that even his roommate at the Academy never knew it. Modesty characterized his actions, almost to the point of self-effacement; however, he demonstrated great strength of character throughout his life and his service. His attitude was one of dedication to his job, his unit, and his country. He was one of the

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NORMAN ARTHUR LOEB

most conscientious individuals I have ever known.

Unfortunately, Norm never had the opportunity to demonstrate his capabilities in battle. He died en route to Prestwick, Scotland. He was one of twenty-nine colonels and lieutenant colonels, unit commanders, selected from armored units in the States, hastily assembled, and shipped by air in groups to fill an emergency requisition from the European Theater. On arriving at Prestwick under adverse flying conditions, the plane in which Norm and three other lieutenant colonels of his group were traveling struck a power line near the airfield during an instrument approach, and crashed, killing fourteen of the passengers. Norm was among those who lost their lives, in fact, all four of those promising young officers died as a result of this crash.

His life had meaning for those who knew him—particularly those who served with him, starting with the 8th Cavalry at Fort Bliss in September of 1935 and followed by the 4th Cavalry at Fort Meade, South Dakota, and the 13th Armored Regiment at Fort Knox. He was promoted to first lieutenant in June of 1938 and was a company commander in the 13th Armored.

In 1939 and 1940 Norm attended the Cavalry School. After graduation, he volunteered for flight training in the Army Air Corps, graduating from Primary in February 1941; but in April they learned that he was not meant to be a flier. His next move was back to Fort Riley, where he was assigned as a Captain to the School Staff and Faculty. In January of 1942, he became Chief of the Department of Motors, was promoted to Major in February, attended the G2 Course at the Command and General Staff College during the summer, was promoted again in December 1942 to Lieutenant Colonel and, in June of 1943, completed his tour as Department Chief in order to attend the Advanced Course at the Cavalry School.

After graduating from the Advanced Course in September 1943, he was assigned as Commanding Officer of the 33d Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron in the 20th Armored Division. This division was then starting its training at Fort Campbell in preparation for overseas deployment; however, on 18 August 1944, the Adjutant General published the Movement Order for Shipment OM-350-EE(a), and Norm left immediately on his fateful trip. His remains were returned to this country in January 1949, and he now lies buried in the Long Island National Cemetery at Farmingdale, Long Island, New York. He is now survived by only two brothers: Charles D. of 396 Chestnut Street, Fredonia, New York 14063; and C. Gilbert of 58 East Green Street, Dunkirk, New York 14048.

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Wayne G. McCarthy

NO. 12828 CLASS OF 1942

Died 31 August 1967 in U.S. Naval Hospital, St. Albans, New York, aged 49 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

WAYNE G. MCCARTHY

ALTHOUGH BORN IN ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA, Mac spent most of his youth in Massachusetts, graduating from St. Mary's High School, Waltham, Massachusetts, in 1934. Early in life he became interested in a military career, enrolling in the CMTC program in 1934 and enlisting in the U.S. Army Reserve Corps in 1936. In order to prepare for the West Point entrance exams, he did additional study on his own and then attended the Berkely Preparatory School in Boston. He was successful in these endeavors, winning a presidential appointment and entering the Academy on 1 July 1938.

Perhaps Mac's heavy family responsibilities and his older age made him a somewhat more mature and serious cadet than the average. He kept well ahead of the Academic Department and, if a classmate were in trouble academically, Mac would render a helping hand in order to salvage the situation, even if it required an after taps light. Most weekends would find Mac in the vicinity of Grant Hall as "Joan and Mac" became practically a class tradition. While at the Academy, Mac was recognized as a good friend and a good Irishman from tip to toe.

Like the other members of the first graduating class of World II, Mac was given just sufficient time to travel to his first assignment instead of getting the long anticipated graduation leave. So a few hours after graduation, Joan and Mac were married at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City in a wedding that received nationwide publicity by its coverage in *Life* magazine. It was then a hurried trip to Orangeburg, South Carolina, where Mac entered primary flight training.

After several more flying schools and more training, Mac entered World War II combat with the 367th Fighter Group, Ninth Air Force in England, serving there and later in France while flying missions over France and Germany. With this distinguished group, which won the Presidential Citation during this period, Mac flew ninety-six combat missions and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with thirteen clusters.

Having completed his combat missions, Mac took a very unusual assignment as U.S. Liaison Officer with the French Armored Division. As the Germans fell back along the front and the Allies moved towards Paris, the decision was made to let the French enter Paris ahead of the other allied forces. Mac, in one of the tanks of the French Armored Division and in his beret, entered Paris with the Armored Division and was immediately proclaimed a hero as the "first Yank" to enter Paris. The French Government awarded him the Croix de Guerre for this feat, and the New York *Herald Tribune* proclaimed Mac the winner of its award for the first American soldier into Paris.

Upon his return to the States in late 1944 Mac was assigned to G2 of the General Staff at the Pentagon and thus started a long career in the field of Intelligence. By the time he completed his tour at the Pentagon in 1949, Mac was Chief, Intelligence Branch, Headquarters USAF. It was during this period that Mac and Joan started their family by adopting Winifred, a cousin of Mac's, and having born to them Elizabeth C. McCarthy.

For his next assignment Mac was selected for a new post as USAF Liaison Officer for Intelligence with the Air Ministry, Royal Air Force, England. After one year in that position he proceeded to Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe where he continued in intelligence work in Wiesbaden and at the newly activated 2d Air Division at Landsburg, Germany. He completed his overseas tour in 1952 and returned to the States for an assignment with the 29th Air Division, Air Defense Command, with intelligence responsibilities in five states of the northwest. In 1954 Mac took time out from intelligence work to take a four-year-tour of ROTC duty at New York University. Then in 1958 it was overseas again for another intelligence assignment in Korea.

Soon after his return to the States from Korea, physical problems began to bother Mac and eventually led to his retirement at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in 1961. Complications of these problems forced him into the U.S. Naval Hospital at St. Albans, New York, where he died on 31 August 1967. A good classmate, a good friend, and a good Irishman joined the Long Gray Line much too early.

Mac and Joan had been divorced in 1960, and Mac later married Sun I. Chung whom he had met in Seoul, Korea. Mac's widow presently lives in San Rafael, California. Mac is also survived by his two daughters. Elizabeth C. McCarthy is presently living in Orlando, Florida, and Winifred E. O'Brien is living at Craig Air Force Base, Selma, Alabama.

— *A Classmate*

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George Frederick Vlisides

NO. 17635 CLASS OF 1950

Killed in air crash, 27 January 1965 at Bien Hoa, Vietnam, aged 40 years.

Interment: Washtenong Memorial Park, Ann Arbor, Michigan

GEORGE FREDERICK VLISIDES

GEORGE FREDERICK VLISIDES—VOLUNTEER. In a time when it is not so popular to be a volunteer as it once was, George was a volunteer and proud to be called one. For almost four years, since before the Vietnam buildup, George's obituary has been waiting to be written. The months, years, and events of this war have reinforced his memory, and his face, voice, ideals, and beliefs are still strong impressions on the senses and will never be erased. It is possible to think of George as on duty at a station separate from our own, and one day we'll be standing in the same rank again.

George asked to go to Vietnam because he considered it his duty to go. Lee once said: "*Duty*—the most sublime word in the English language." George understood. The United States had committed military power to Vietnam, and as a Regular officer he wanted to be on the first team of the Air Force.

George also asked to be assigned to the Air Commandos in order to help in the dual role of flying combat as well as helping build and teach the Vietnamese Air Force. After the rigorous training at Eglin, he arrived in RVN on 5 November 1964 and was assigned as an instructor pilot in the 1st Air Command Squadron at Bien Hoa Air Base near Saigon. Many combat missions followed quickly, most of them flying close air support in A1E "Skyraider" aircraft for the Vietnamese Army. On 29 November, he flew a close support mission, and during his third strike on an enemy position his Skyraider was severely damaged by machinegun fire. George radioed for help and landed on an abandoned and mined airstrip in Viet Cong territory. He and his Vietnamese observer spent an anxious 15 minutes on the ground before being picked up. For this action, George was recommended for a Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism.

Within six weeks George's fighting spirit and staff ability were given additional recognition by his appointment on 1 January 1965 as operations officer for the Squadron. He was proud of this job and his outfit. In a letter of 22 January, George said of his Squadron: "We can do anything—and do!" On 27 January, returning from his 48th combat mission, a successful one, George came in for his landing at Bien Hoa and "bought the farm." It was one of those things—a matter of inches, or microseconds. Observers said it looked like he hit the throttle again, dropped a wing into the runway, and cartwheeled. The bird was "totaled" with George and the AO killed instantly.

Each of the memorial services was sincere and moving. At Bien Hoa, Ann Arbor, and Fort Myer, those who loved and admired George gathered. At the Bien Hoa ceremony, the Republic of Vietnam paid him tribute by having the commander of the 23d Tactical Wing make a posthumous presentation of the National Order Medal (5th Class) and the Gallantry Cross with Palm. Burial was in the town, Ann Arbor, where he grew up. Later, at a formal review at Selfridge Air Force Base, Michigan, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, 1st oak leaf cluster, and the Air Medal, 2d and 3d oak leaf clusters for his services to the United States in Vietnam.

George Vlisides was born in Detroit, Michigan, on 31 December 1924. He attended school in Ann Arbor and was active and popular through the years. He was President of his high school class of 1943. Shortly after graduation he enlisted in the Army Air Corps, took air cadet training, and received his commission as a Second Lieutenant and his bombardier wings on 2 September 1944. During the rest of World War II, he trained and served in heavy bombers. Then, West Point. . . .

On graduation, George entered the Air Force and won his pilot wings in 1951 after training at Randolph and Williams. In 1952-53, he fought with the 45th Fighter Bomber Group in Korea and was decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star Medal, and the Air Medal. On return to the United States, he served at Long Beach and Maxwell Air Bases. He was then assigned to the Tac Dept in the "Master of the Sword's" office until 1957. As operations officer, instructor in many sports in gym classes, and OC, George became known to the classes of '55-'60 as the "Grey Eagle." Next came three years in Germany and the Netherlands with the 32d Fighter Squadron and the 36th Air Base Group. During this period, George won a high reputation as a staff officer with ability to handle a multitude of varied problems under pressure. (No surprise to those of us who had watched him during a clothie) He was in the Air CGSC class of 1961 and then applied his talents in the Personnel Directorate, HQ Air Training Command, Randolph, until he volunteered for Vietnam. For his service in personnel duties, he was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal. On the side, George had completed about one-quarter of his work for a law degree.

George is survived by his mother, Mrs. Elaine C. Vlisides of Ann Arbor, his older brother, and younger sister.

One can vividly remember the first time we saw the "Greek": Beast Barracks, late afternoon, 1 July 1946. He was sweaty, bronze, handsome, and scowling. Angry at all the world—as all are the hour before swearing in. George had been an Air Corps officer, and so the drill was double drill. And one can see him slightly ahead and in the right file at that great moment on Trophy Point when we took the oath and General Taylor, looking like all generals ought to look, stepped up in the dappled sunlight and told us where we were and what it meant. Our chins were out then, but the chests were up at least one more notch, and for George it was a day to mark after four years of trying and a boyhood of dreaming. MacArthur said it for George and all of us in his 1947 letter to the Corps: ". . . when I was sworn in on The Plain—that is my greatest honor."

Strange how one sees another and then observes him. Strange how some people make such an impression that one can always remember the first sighting. One wonders if George ever knew how closely he was checked over. As 2d Company went to drill, bayonet, tactics, and PT, we saw George. Always with dark visage: boiling, determined, putting-out—hard. We thought him a worthy competitor and one whose challenge was important to meet. Bath formations were grand. If those moments allowed a respite, a cheerful thought was often available if one watched George. George, always determined to do it right, would be set upon, trapped, and have the Firsties attempt to tilt his dignity. It was humorous to watch: the dignity, the hazing, the compliance, the repetition, and back to dignity. For though we all did some ludicrous things, one could never fail to see that George Vlisides had dignity and was somebody. And toward the end before the shower, George would have his moment. Not showing off (because he was ordered to do it, wasn't he?) but the pull-ups would start and there he would go—beautiful muscles tensing—5—10—chest heaving—15—17—18—20! Not bad for 190 pounds. Muckoid.

We have talked often with George's family about his younger days and looked at photographs. The same qualities come through in the conversations and show in the photos. The dignity. The flat, level, "I demand justice" look. The defender. And the photos of George in his first uniform and badge of authority (the white school belt) reminding the observer that at that crossing all could pass safely, and duty would be done. He came from a good solid family. Prosperous, middle class people that knew prosperity (of a sort in the '30s) because they all worked hard in making the restaurant go. Responsibility. A sister and a brother. Comradeship. A father. A heritage of Greece, leadership, and destiny. A mother. Character and will power and knowing right from wrong. West Point rightfully deserves much credit for its product, but credit must be given where credit is due. Look into the home. Ask Ike if in doubt.

And then we were assigned to Company C, 1st Regiment. Charley-One—a great company—and a fine home for the next four years.

George was always our ranking man in C1 and deservedly so. A good mixture of pride, ambition, loyalty, tolerance, and friendliness. He believed in the system, but saw its faults. He tried to change some things without ripping out the keystone or foundation blocks. He had a low boiling point, but a cool head. Is that a contradiction? Not really. No one was more sensitive to wrong or resentful of error, but seconds after the anger the cool head and good judgment would come into control and a flanking instead of a frontal attack on the "aggressor" would be started. He was a doer—you can look it up in the records and the HOWITZER: Solid achievement in soccer, wrestling, debate, Class Vice-President, and commander of the 1st Regiment's runt battalion as a Firstie.

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You know he had to be a good man for the runts to accept and follow him. And so passed a faithful friend, a good airman and soldier, and a fine man. The nation and the Air Force lost a great leader prematurely. His family and friends lost his companionship much too early. George won his race—he lived life and met death with honor.

The march of another soldier is o'er;
His battles all fought, his victories all won.
And now he lies down to rest awhile
Awaiting the bugle call. . . .

— *Classmate*

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Roger Allan Quinn

NO. 22527 CLASS OF 1959

Hostile death, Vietnam, 3 April 1968, aged 30 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

"WHEN HE WAS HIT, he was performing his duty to the fullest extent with the zest and enthusiasm which was prominent in everything he did. Those of us who knew Roger were treated to something really quite rare." These words, written by a friend and classmate of Roger's, say it all and so simply.

Roger was born in Steubenville, Ohio, and moved with his parents to Portsmouth, Ohio, during his high school years. His appointment to West Point filled his family with great pride. Encouraged by their love and faith in him, but with butterflies in his stomach, he began his four years with a

ROGER ALLAN QUINN

reasonable record, determination to succeed in his career, and a store of wonderful friends, he left it.

After the Armor Officer Basic Course, Ranger school and Airborne school, Roger had his first assignment with the 3d Cavalry Regiment, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland. As a platoon leader he hit each task head-on and took pride in being a soldier.

He then went to Korea with the 9th Cavalry, and after trudging its hills for fourteen months, happily arrived at his next duty station, Fort Carson, Colorado.

We had Marlyn at Meade, Allan during Korea; but we outdid ourselves at Carson. Our twins, Sean and Heather, were born.

Roger then had the honor of being chosen to attend the Royal Armoured Corps School of Tank Technology in Bovington Camp, Dorset, England. He was a first rate ambassador of good will. His warmth of personality and high regard for all people won him much admiration and many friendships. No one could help but learn to love Roger; he had that way about him.

Roger thoroughly enjoyed our next stop, Germany. We were with the 3d Battalion, 70th Armor at Munich. He was picked by his Battalion Commander for Company Commander of the year, and he had the top tank crew. He worked hard and did well.

At the Associate Advanced Officer Course he graduated an honor student. In the field or in the classroom he strove to excel. Roger put his all into everything he tackled, always putting forth his best effort.

This conviction went with him to Vietnam, first to the 11th Cavalry Regiment and finally as S3 in the 3d Battalion, 5th Cavalry.

On 3 April 1968, he was shot during an assault mission, and died. He had only two months to go in Vietnam.

Roger possessed great sensitivity towards the world; he was a champion of mankind; always worried about the oppressed and the underprivileged. He bore no prejudices and was incapable of unkindness; he was a tender husband, a thoughtful father; he was a good soldier; a fine human being.

— *His wife*

JACK F. MULLEN

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Jack Fonce Mullen

CLASS OF 1969

Died 19 April 1969 near Lake Kanawauke, New York, aged 21 years.

CADET JACK F. MULLEN, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack F. Mullen of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Representative Wilbur O. Mills, Arkansas 2d Congressional District, in 1965. During his four years at the United States Military Academy, he participated in the Scoutmaster's Council, and was closely associated with Troop 123, and the Military Affairs Club. In addition to these activities, he competed in intramural athletics and served as Line Coach for the 1968 Goat Football Team. During his Second Class summer, Cadet Mullen served as Acting Company Commander during June Week. This year he was selected to serve as a Company Platoon Leader.

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James Darrell Greenlee

CLASS OF 1969

Died 19 April 1969 near Lake Kanawauke, New York, aged 22 years.

CADET JAMES D. GREENLEE, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell F. Greenlee of Worthington, Minnesota, was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Representative William F. Minshall, Ohio 23d Congressional District, in 1965. During his four years at the United States Military Academy he served as a member of the Fourth Class System Committee and the First Captains Forum. In addition to these activities, he was an outstanding athlete who competed in intramural athletics, "C" Squad Lacrosse, 150 lb Football, and Corps Squad Football. During his Second Class summer, while serving with Battery B, 5th Howitzer Battalion, 42d Artillery, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, he was cited for his superior instructional

JAMES D. GREENLEE

ability and outstanding performance of duty. This year he was selected to serve as Platoon Leader.

Throughout their four years at the Military Academy, Cadets Greenlee and Mullen displayed those qualities that identified them as superior cadets. Unselfish and considerate of others, they displayed enthusiasm, a sincere desire to assist, and good sportsmanship, and at all times cherished the ideals of the Corps, and its motto of Duty, Honor, and Country.

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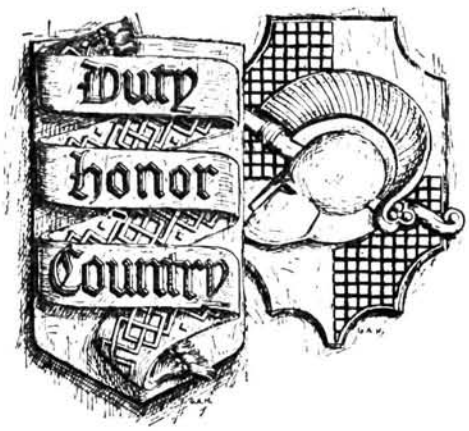

Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the Winter 1969 ASSEMBLY.

Name	*Class*	*Date of Death*	*Place of Death*
Charles E. Stodter	1896....13	April 1969	Chula Vista, California
Henning F. Colley	1903....13	April 1969	Bremerton, Washington
Thomas L. Crystal	1904.... 5	April 1969	St. Albans, New York
Howell M. Estes	1911....29	January 1969	Washington, D. C.
Frederick Gilbreath	1911....27	February 1969	Austin, Texas
Cyril A. Phelan	1912....13	March 1969	Alfred, Maine
John H. Jouett	1914....20	October 1968	St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
Adam E. Potts	1914....27	September 1968	Hampton, Virginia
Dwight D. Eisenhower	1915....28	March 1969	Washington, D. C.
Thomas J. Hanley Jr.	1915.... 9	March 1969	Boynton Beach, Florida
Frank C. Scofield	1916.... 6	November 1968	Washington, D. C.
Bates Compton	Apr 1917.... 8	March 1969	Vincentown, New Jersey
Frederick D. Sharp	Aug 1917.... 6	April 1969	Washington, D. C.
Wayne W. Wells	Jun 1918....13	February 1969	Sarasota, Florida
Wiley V. Carter	Nov 1918....27	March 1969	Long Beach, California
John P. Pence	Nov 1918....16	January 1960	Tacoma, Washington
Eugene L. Vidal	Nov 1918....20	February 1969	Palos Verdes, California
Daniel P. Buckland	1919....20	April 1969	Columbus, Georgia
Willard G. Wyman	1919....29	March 1969	Washington, D. C.
Frederick M. Harris	1920....10	April 1969	Fort Meade, Maryland
Bertram W. Randles	1920....30	April 1968	Englewood, Colorado
Joseph H. Rousseau Jr.	1920....29	March 1969	Miami Shores, Florida
Frank J. Spettel	1921.... 8	January 1969	Montgomery, Alabama
William F. M. Longwell	1923....17	February 1969	Lawrence, Massachusetts
Walter C. White	1923....19	March 1969	Gardiner, Maine
Gerard W. Kelley	1925....21	March 1969	Carmel, California
Samuel R. Harris Jr.	1926....26	March 1969	Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona
Robert C. Ross	1926....10	December 1968	Miami, Florida
Frederick L. Anderson	1928.... 2	March 1969	Houston, Texas
John D. Cone	1929....10	March 1969	Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Charles F. Kearney	1929....17	February 1969	San Francisco, California
Arthur C. Peterson	1930....19	March 1969	Germany
Gordon K. Cusack	1931.... 1	September 1968	San Antonio, Texas
Lawrence B. Babcock	1932....22	April 1969	Newport News, Virginia
Aaron M. Lazar	1932....19	January 1969	Wheaton, Illinois
Harry R. Hale	1935....20	April 1969	Crescent City, Florida
George P. Champion	1936....22	March 1969	Sacramento, California
Roy O. Smith Jr.	1942....10	February 1969	San Pedro, California
Barton K. Yount Jr.	Jan 1943....25	February 1969	Spain
Henry H. Burnett	1944.... 4	April 1969	San Francisco, California
Shelton G. Spear	1945....19	February 1969	Santa Barbara, California
Robert P. Leary	1950....20	March 1969	Washington, D. C.
Roy A. Young	1952....23	February 1965	East Orange, New Jersey
William C. Stinson Jr.	1953.... 3	March 1969	Vietnam
Dale E. Jenne	1954....12	February 1969	Canal Zone
Walter L. Pritchard Jr.	1957....12	April 1969	Vietnam
Lon A. Spurlock II	1958....28	March 1969	Vietnam
Walter B. Tully Jr.	1959.... 2	March 1969	Vietnam
William R. Black	1964.... 8	March 1969	Vietnam
George E. Menninger	1965....21	March 1969	Vietnam
Frank Meszar III	1966.... 2	March 1969	Vietnam
Tom Emerson	1967....24	March 1969	Vietnam
Leonard L. Preston Jr.	1967....21	March 1969	Vietnam
Thomas D. Thompson Jr.	1967.... 2	March 1969	Vietnam

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