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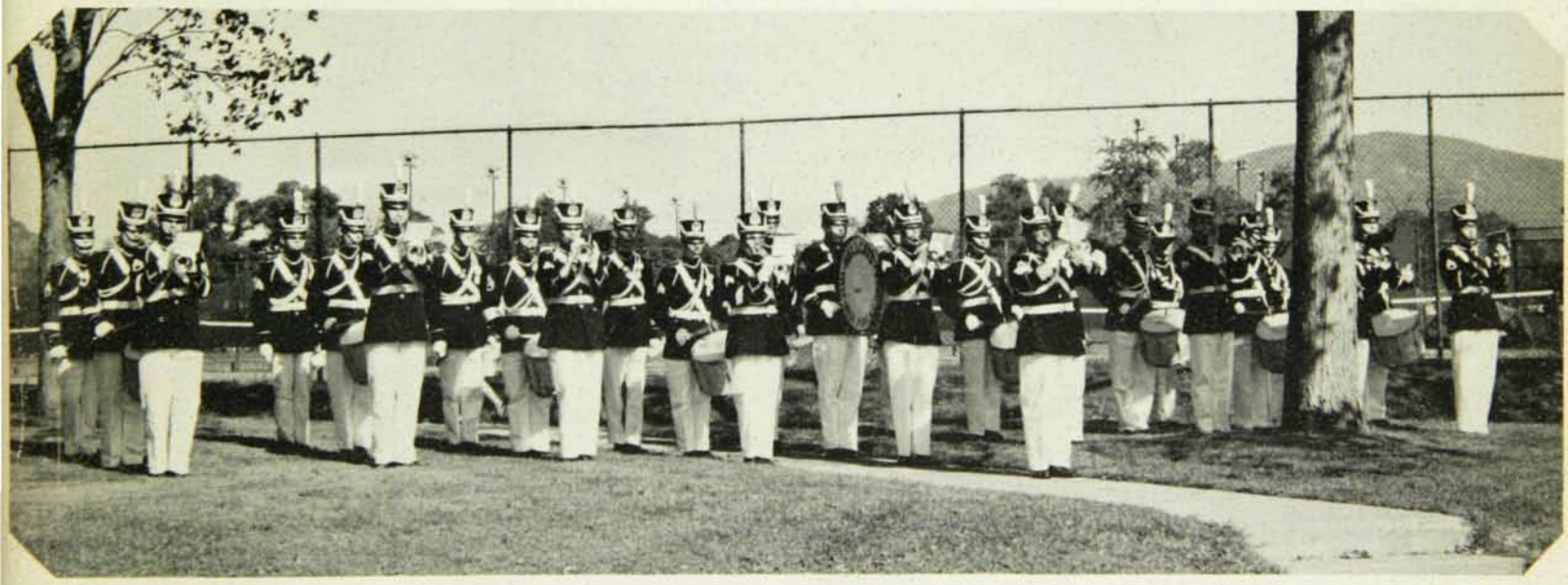

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Fellow Graduates and Friends of the Military Academy:

Our expansion program continues to move ahead with several new facilities becoming available since the last report. The Corps strength is increasing in accordance with the scheduled increments of about 250 cadets a year. A total of 1438 new fourth classmen entered with the Class of 1973, giving us a July strength of almost 4,000 cadets.

The Washington Hall-Barracks Complex is virtually finished; we now occupy all academic, administrative and dining areas and both north and east wings of the new barracks. All that remains to be done is the final rehabilitation of the kitchen facilities which should be completed early next year. The contract for the remaining barracks construction was recently awarded. When completed by late 1971, these three final wings will enable us to meet our objective of two cadets per room. The old North Barracks and Central Area Barracks have been removed to make room for the new construction, with excavation and foundation work presently underway. The First Division of old Central Barracks has been preserved and now houses the Treasurer's Office. Other rooms in the First Division, including the old First Captain's "suite," will be restored and utilized for cadet and historical purposes. The sculptured "grotesques" from the old North Barracks were also preserved, many of which have been built into the new dining hall.

Our athletic facilities have been considerably augmented with an 11,000 seat expansion of Michie Stadium (bringing the seating capacity up to almost 42,000) and a new addition to the gymnasium, housing an Olympic-size swimming pool. We have encountered foundation difficulties with the new Academic Science Building forcing postponement of its completion date; we hope it will be ready for use by the fall of 1971. Also of interest, the 200 units of new housing under construction in the Stony Lonesome area above Michie Stadium are progressing and should be ready by the next quarters drawing. The recently completed Stony Lonesome Road connecting Michie Stadium and the main Post with Route 9W is certainly one of the most beautiful drives in the area. Construction of a proposed interchange by the State of New York will connect it directly to 9W and will be a big step in our efforts to reduce traffic congestion at West Point.

Future projects include the proposed Cadet Activities Center and a 100-bed hospital. I explained the rationale for the much needed Cadet Activities Center in the Fall 1968 issue of Assembly; the request is now before Congress, and we should know by the time this reaches you whether or not it will be retained in the FY70 Military Construction Program for the Military Academy. Additional funds required to permit construction of our proposed new hospital are also currently being considered by Congress and, together with the Activities Center, received a strong indorsement by this year's annual Board of Visitors. Again, there seems to be no question of need but rather of funding.

Sincerely,

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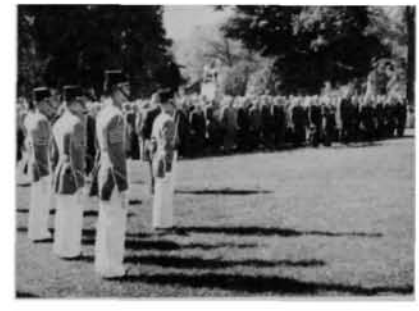

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About eight hundred graduates—extending from the one member of '07 to the one member of '69—returned to participate in Homecoming-Reunion activities October 3-5. Abbott Boone '07, greeted by Major General S.W. Koster, Superintendent, was the oldest graduate for the second successive Homecoming. Once again the Plain abounded with distinguished graduates—Groves Nov '18, Wedemeyer '19, Lemnitzer '20, Waters '31, and Borman and Murphy '50—all responded to the Call of Assembly by the Hell Cats. (Front Cover)

Trudeau '24, Saltzman '25, and Sands '29—among the distinguished representatives on the Association of Graduates Board of Trustees.

Astronaut Frank Borman and Congressman John Murphy, Class of '50, and members of the Association's Board of Trustees.

The first to assemble for the march to Thayer monument—another generation of graduates—Fenili Jan '43 and Foster, Bartholomees, and Bolton, all '42.

HOMECOMING

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Colonel Abbott Boone '07 lays the wreath at the Sylvanus Thayer ceremonies assisted by Brigade Commander John T. Connors.

ceremonies...

Boone '07, the oldest graduate present; Eddleman '24, President of the Association of Graduates; Dr. J. Earl Rudder, President of Texas AM, and Koster '42, Superintendent, form prior to the Corps Review in honor of the graduates.

The Corps passes by in company-formation at the Alumni Review.

1969

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at michie stadium...

The Tailgate Picnic that has become an integral part of season ticket holders' activities before ARMY's home games.

More than 41,000 pack the expanded Michie Stadium for Texas A&M's upset over ARMY at Homecoming.

Miss Nancy King of Pensacola, Florida, was named Homecoming Queen and was crowned by Mrs. Michael Keaveney, the first Homecoming Queen in 1962.

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Major General and Mrs. Koster with The Honorable and Mrs. William K. Brehm. Mr. Brehm, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, and Mrs. Brehm were guests of the Kosters.

supe's reception...

Eight hundred and fifty happy graduates, wives and guests attended Reunion dinner.

They posed.

At the end of a perfect day.

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REUNIONS:

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1954

Ably led by John Farrar and Class President George Chancellor the senior Reunion Class of 1954 gathered together about two hundred classmates and wives. Classmate Aguilar-Sanchez traveled all the way from Caracas and Astronaut Dave Scott took time out to celebrate the Class' Fifteenth Reunion. Starting at the Golf Club with dignity acquired through experience, the Class cocktail-picnic gained momentum and hilarity and proved to be the highlight of the Reunion. Turning out almost en masse for the Review and then the Superintendent's Reception and Dinner, the Class of 1954 stood out as the largest, loudest, and gayest group.

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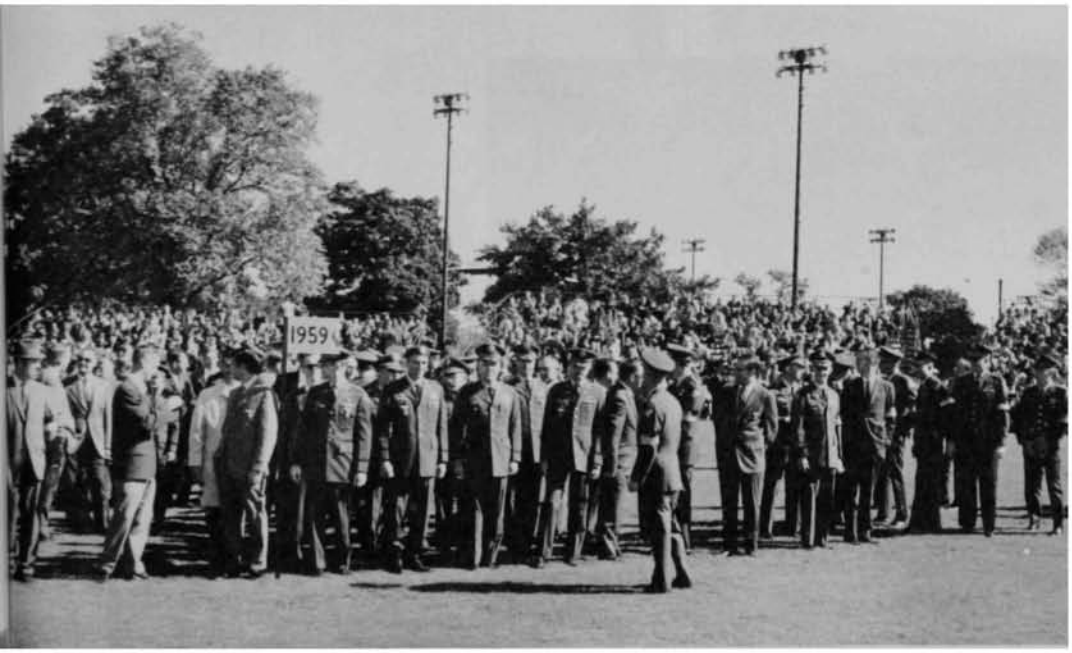
1959

Bob Weekley, Bill Schwartz, Bill Mullen, and Don Markham skillfully guided the Class of 1959 through a rapidly paced and varied Reunion. With a self inflicted Class motto: "None so fine as '59," the Class proceeded to live up to its motto at a cocktail-buffet on Friday night. A hair raising event was the highlight of the weekend—with Hugh O'Connor, sans hair and eyebrows, easily capturing the "least" prize and Tom (Hemingway) Young, replete with sideburns and beard, winning the "most." Three hundred attended the dinner-dance that capped the activities that will be difficult to match at future reunions.



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1964

The junior Reunion Class of 1964 with the motto of "Stars in Store for '64" drew over one hundred and ten classmates and wives—perhaps a record for a five-year Class. Led by Roy Buckner and Bill Reynolds they scattered to visit classmates in Cornwall, New Windsor, Newburgh and points north—regrouped twice at the WPAM for sustenance, etc. —and grouped for official functions. From California, Wisconsin, and Fort Benning they arrived promptly, proving that the close-knit Class of 1964, early in the careers of its members, maintains an unusual cohesion.

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MacArthur Memorial Dedicated

ON the crisp, sunny afternoon of 11 September 1969, one hundred and fifty distinguished guests gathered at West Point to honor one of the most Illustrious Graduates of the United States Military Academy, General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

Assembling on the edge of the Plain to dedicate the Douglas MacArthur statue and barracks—in the vicinity of the Superintendent's quarters where he lived from 1919 to 1922, and the gymnasium where the famous words "Upon the fields of friendly strife. . . ." have encouraged the athletic prowess of cadets for four decades—graduates and friends paid tribute to the General who contributed a lifetime to his Alma Mater, the Army, and the Nation. The stirring music of the incomparable USMA Band, the spirited rendition of the Corps and the Alma Mater by the Cadet Glee Club, and the presence of Cadets whom he held in such high esteem all provided an atmosphere fitting for the man called by his classmate, Major General Max Tyler, "the Savior of the Military Academy."

Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, welcomed the distinguished guests and on behalf of the Corps and those stationed at West Point expressed "particular pride . . . to join the Association of Graduates in honoring one of the Academy's most distinguished graduates. . . ." He stressed that, "Those of us assembled here for this dedication ceremony represent more than 20,000 living members of the Long Gray Line. Many of them have contributed their time and effort to this memorial. All of them have contributed in thought and spirit. Every graduate owes a debt of gratitude to General MacArthur, who did so very much for the Military Academy, for the U.S. Army, and for the United States."

General Clyde D. Eddleman, President of the Association of Graduates, then recognized distinguished guests on the dais: Lieutenant General Arthur S. Collins, Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Readiness and representative of the Chief of Staff of the Army; Colonel Edgar W. Garbisch, Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee, and a member of the Type Memorial and the Sculptor and Architect Committees; Major General Leif J. Sverdrup, Deputy Engineer under General MacArthur in the Southwest Pacific and currently Chairman of the MacArthur Memorial Foundation in Norfolk, Virginia; Lieutenant General Leslie R. Groves, past President of the Association of Graduates, Chairman of the MacArthur Memorial Committee, and a member of all three working committees; Brigadier General Paul W. Thompson, Chairman of the Committee for choosing the Type Memorial; and Dr. Walker Hancock, the sculptor of the MacArthur statue.

In pointing out that more than three thousand contributors donated all of the funds for construction of the monument, General Eddleman said that "we in the Association of Graduates have been impressed by an overwhelming response from our alumni and friends in support of the MacArthur Memorial Project," which, "without question . . . is a tribute to the loyalty and esteem which General MacArthur's memory inspires. . . ." (*Continued on next page*)

At Right: Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, escorts Mrs. Douglas MacArthur to the Memorial Ceremonies.

At Left: Mrs. Douglas MacArthur happily takes the arm of the Academy's Cadet First Captain and Brigade Commander, John T. Connors, immediately after she unveiled the statue of her husband, General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

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Presenting the statue to the Military Academy, General Eddleman said that he was certain that General MacArthur "would have been pleased to know that this monument to him was erected entirely through efforts by those loyal to his memory. . . ." He also noted that it was fitting that the bequest was sponsored by the Association "for it represents a group especially dear to General MacArthur—the graduates of West Point." He recalled that the General "often remarked that of all the honors received by him, the greatest was being a West Point cadet.

"It is my hope, and the hope of all West Point graduates and friends of the Academy, that this memorial will serve as an inspiration to future cadets as well as a remembrance for those of us who knew General MacArthur and served under him."

General Eddleman introduced Mrs. MacArthur as "a gallant lady who deserves a large part of the honor and respect which inspired this monument. . . . and shared with her husband the difficult times as well as the many honors. . . . during the dark hours of Bataan and Corregidor. . . ." and later in "Australia, and in Tokyo during the years when he successfully brought Japan back into the union of peaceful nations. . . ."

In an awesome and inspiring moment Mrs. MacArthur unveiled the statue. Simultaneously the plaque on the MacArthur wing of cadet barracks was uncovered.

Mrs. MacArthur spoke briefly: "You know I have never made a speech in my life. I left that to the General because he did it so well. But I just want you to know what this would mean to him. I can't think that any honor that could come to the General would mean more than this from West Point. And certainly I thank you very, very much. God Bless You All."

Major General Max C. Tyler, a classmate and lifelong friend of General MacArthur, delivered the dedicatory remarks. The eighty-nine-year-old, who ranked fourth in the celebrated Class of 1903 and joined his classmate in the Corps of Engineers focused upon Douglas MacArthur's contributions to the Military Academy.

DEDICATION ADDRESS BY MAJOR GENERAL MAX C. TYLER '03

I thank you General Eddleman, for this generous introduction. Mrs. MacArthur, General Eddleman, General Groves, General Koster, General Sverdrup, members of the Corps of Cadets, and distinguished guests. The surviving members of the Class of 1903 are grateful for being included among you today to honor the memory of that great soldier, statesman and patriot, Douglas MacArthur.

His career is history well-known to all of you. For one of his classmates to attempt to eulogize such a world famous leader of armies would be presumptuous indeed. However, he clearly displayed all the qualities of leadership in his cadet days. Perhaps a brief discussion of those days will not be considered irrelevant to this occasion. Douglas MacArthur showed up at the beginning of our Plebe Year as a leader in every section in academics. We immediately saw that here was no scared, fumbling plebe, but a young man well prepared in academics who knew where he wanted to go and how to get there.

Major General Leif J. Sverdrup, Deputy Engineer under General MacArthur in the Southwest Pacific, and Chairman of the MacArthur Memorial Foundation in Norfolk, Virginia, escorts Mrs. MacArthur after the unveiling of the statue.

Mrs. MacArthur standing with Major General Samuel W. Koster, Superintendent, (left), and General Clyde D. Eddleman, President of the Association of Graduates, (center), expresses her appreciation.

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He continued to lead all of our academic sections for our four years here. The "makes" were announced soon after the graduation of the Class of 1900. The Tactical Department had observed Douglas' competence in drills, parades and field exercises, and his name appeared at the head of the list of cadet corporals.

In Second Class Year, he was a senior first sergeant, and in our First Class Year, commanded "A" Company, the right of the line of the Corps of Cadets then consisting of six companies. He was The First Captain of the Corps of Cadets. He had a strong voice. It was said when the wind was right, his commands at battalion formations could be heard distinctly across the river. Douglas went out for baseball, and in 1901 added an athletic triumph to his academic and tactical excellence. He earned the winning run in a tied game with Navy at Annapolis giving West Point the victory.

No cadet either before or after his time has equaled Douglas MacArthur's distinguished record at West Point. How had he been so thoroughly prepared to lead at so young an age? Of first importance was his family. Theirs was a closely knit family with no generation gap. His father, General Arthur MacArthur, exerted a strong influence on Douglas' life and career. Their sons were taught always to be honest, to stick to the truth regardless of the cost, never to tattle, and to be gentlemen under all circumstances.

Douglas had often discussed with his father the later's heroic performances as Adjutant of a Wisconsin volunteer Infantry Regiment during the Civil War for which he had been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. Thus, in his youth, Douglas became aware of the qualities which are necessary for military leadership. His father sent him to the Texas Military Academy. That was where he learned how to study. He majored in English and speech and played shortstop on the baseball team and quarterback on the "11." He graduated there in 1897.

In 1898, Douglas took a *(Continued on page 43)*

MRS DOUGLAS MACARTHUR
WALDORF ASTORIA TOWERS
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022

September 22, 1969

Dear General Koster:

It is difficult for me to find words to express my appreciation to you, the Academy, the Association of Graduates, and all who had a part in planning the wonderful tribute to my General. As I said in my few words at the dedication, there is no honor that could come to him that would touch him more deeply than this, by West Point. He loved the Academy, as you know, and he felt such great pride in being a part of the long gray line.

With my very best wishes to you and Mrs. Koster,

Most sincerely,

Jean MacArthur

Major General Max C. Tyler, the 89-year-old classmate of General MacArthur, delivering the dedicatory remarks.

General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, joined by members of the Corps, returns to the edge of the Plain which he knew so well.

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GENERAL LEMNITZER COMPLETES A HALF CENTURY OF SERVICE

by JOHN B. B. TRUSSELL JR.

In the Rose Garden at the White House on 11 July 1969, President Nixon congratulates General Lemnitzer on the awards of the Distinguished Service Medal (Army) third oak leaf cluster, the Distinguished Service Medal (U.S. Navy), and the Distinguished Service Medal (U.S. Air Force)—the first time in history the three awards were presented to anyone at the same time. Left to right: the President's Aide, Mrs. Lemnitzer, General Lemnitzer, and the President.

ON 11 July 1969 in the White House Rose Garden, President Nixon presented to General Lyman L. Lemnitzer (USMA '20) the Distinguished Service Medal of the Army (third Oak Leaf Cluster), the Distinguished Service Medal of the Navy and the Distinguished Service Medal of the Air Force. This is the first time in history that these three awards have been presented to anyone at the same time.

This unique ceremony, particularly fitting in its recognition of achievements transcending the boundaries of any one military service, provided the capstone of a unique career. It is a career unique not merely for its impressive length—more than fifty-one years—but also for its definitive inclusion of the highest military appointments, for the breadth and depth of vision it revealed and for the quality of genuine statesmanship which were so clearly and consistently manifested.

There have been a few other officers in the Army's history whose service spans half a century. However, except for five-star generals (who never legally leave the active list even when they no longer hold active military assignments) virtually all of these few belong to earlier and vastly different eras. It is noteworthy, too, that over half of General Lemnitzer's forty-nine years of commissioned service was as a general officer. During more than fourteen of his twenty-seven years as a general, he wore four stars, holding a succession of assignments embracing the bulk of the most important responsibilities that can be entrusted to any American military officer.

Quantitatively alone, a career of such length and embracing so many positions of such stature is impressive. It becomes still more impressive in its progression to successive levels of responsibility, and from single-service to joint to international spheres of authority. It is this progression most of all which offers the fullest measure of General Lemnitzer as a soldier-statesman and the clearest insight into the meaning and character of his achievements.

The professional background which the pre-World War II years provided for General Lemnitzer's generation

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Supreme Allied Commander Europe and C-in-C U.S. European Command.

Cadet Lemnitzer, Class of 1920.

of officers offered little preparation for the novel and vastly complex tasks which were to confront them. For the overwhelming majority, that background consisted of a succession of routine assignments, each new one differing only in detail from the last. Except for an occasional year at a service school, there could be few professional experiences for junior officers which would demand original thinking on larger issues.

In General Lemnitzer's case, the situation was perhaps compounded by the fact that, as a Coast Artilleryman, he belonged to an arm which was oriented predominantly along highly technical lines. He did spend one full tour (1926-1930) and part of another (1934-1935) as an instructor at West Point; but here again he was concerned with technical rather than political or sociological questions, teaching physics, mechanics, hydraulics, thermodynamics, and aerodynamics. (*Continued on next page*)

Lieutenant Lyman L. Lemnitzer

Left to right: Colonel A. L. Homblen, Colonel J. C. Holmes, Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark, Brigadier General L. L. Lemnitzer and Captain Jerand Wright, U.S. Navy, who accompanied General Clark on his famous submarine trip to arrange the North African campaign, for which deed he received the Distinguished Service Medal from Lieutenant General Dwight D. Eisenhower at this decoration ceremony.

Major General L. L. Lemnitzer receiving the award as Honorary Commander of the British Empire from His Majesty King George VI, in Italy, 1944.

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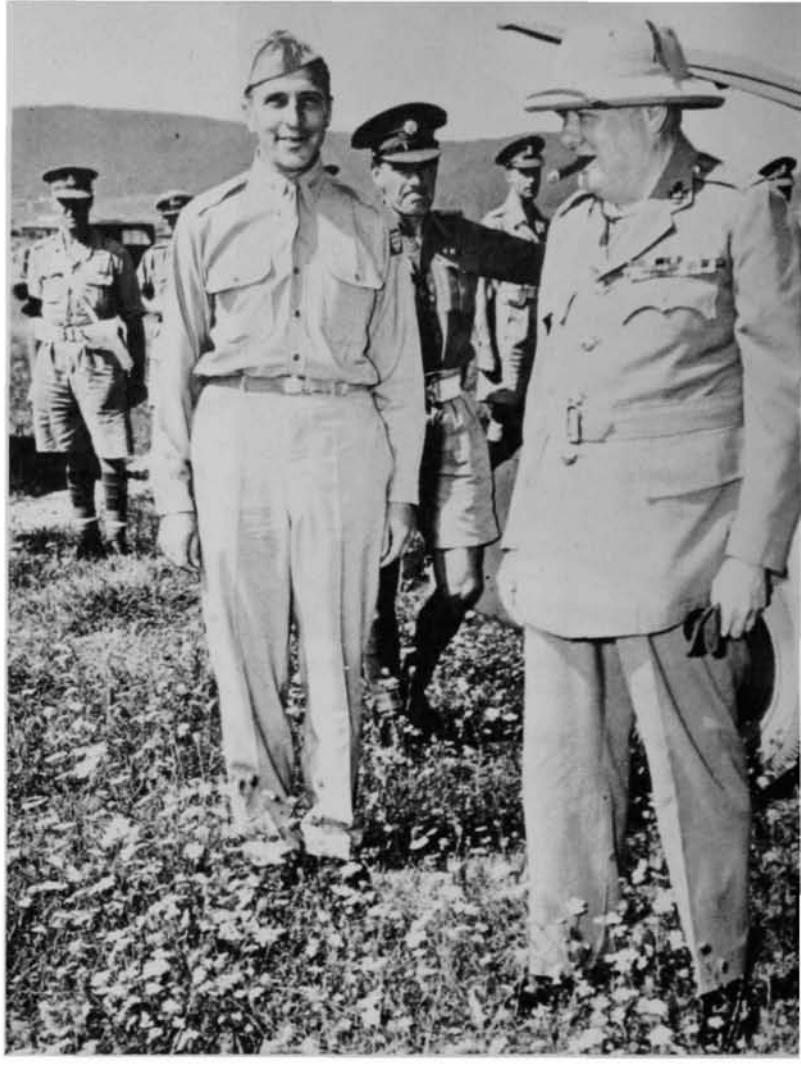

Further, although the officers of that day grew mature in years they remained junior in rank. The opportunities even to serve as junior members of staffs where they might gain actual knowledge of high-level policy or actual experience in handling larger formations were almost nonexistent.

General Lemnitzer was a second lieutenant for five years and a first lieutenant for ten more. During that time he moved from the Officers' Basic Course at the Coast Artillery School to battery duties at Fort Adams, R. I., then to a similar assignment on Corregidor, then back to Fort Adams, where this time he became a battery commander. Then came the first of the previously mentioned assignments to the Military Academy faculty, followed by the Battery Officers' Course at the Coast Artillery School. Upon graduation, he sailed once more for Corregidor where, after a stint as battery officer and battery commander, his career for the first time departed slightly from the norm when he was given a special assignment as a post staff officer.

Not until he had returned to the United States and served almost a year of his short, second tour on the West Point faculty was he promoted to captain. The one aspect of the record of these years which stands out from an almost classic example of the typical career for the time was General Lemnitzer's achievements in rifle marksmanship. Winning the National Team Gold Medal at Camp Perry, he later took the First Place Gold Medal in the Philippine Department and was awarded the Distinguished Marksman's Badge.

In September 1935 as a captain of one month's seniority, he entered the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. Graduation the following June brought him orders to the faculty of the Coast Artillery School, where he spent the next three years instructing in tactics. From Fort Monroe he entered what was to be the last pre-war class at the Army War College.

This was the first step in a new direction that his career was later to follow. And yet, while the War College opened new horizons and raised problems on a different plane than the basic considerations of theoretical physics and artillery tactics and techniques that had characterized Captain Lemnitzer's duties for the past nineteen years, its teaching was not always completely in step with the values which its graduates were so soon to be called upon to apply. Although it was clear to thinking soldiers that the isolationism to which much of the nation was wedded would be impossible to maintain, the United States Army's only direct knowledge of coalition warfare had been the somewhat disillusioning experience of 1918. It was no wonder, but of small help for the future, that the consistent burden of the views expressed by the World War I generals who lectured at the War College in 1939 and 1940 was, "If we have to fight another war, let it for heaven's sake be without allies!"

Captain Lemnitzer's graduation from the War College was followed within weeks by another promotion. The new major's first assignment was to Fort Moultrie, S.C., where he served for four months as an antiaircraft artillery battalion commander and regimental S3. By this time, however, the federalization of the National Guard had begun, and in November 1940 Major Lemnitzer was transferred to the 38th Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade as Executive Officer and S3, playing a key part in directing the design and construction of Camp Stewart, Ga. Then, in May 1941 he was assigned to the War Plans Division of the War Department General Staff. The following month, he became Assistant G3 of General Headquarters, U.S. Army. Having been promoted to lieutenant colonel four days after Pearl Harbor, he was named in March 1942 Assistant Chief of Staff of the Plans Division of Headquarters, Army Ground Forces.

During these months General Lemnitzer had been deeply involved in the planning for mobilization and, subsequently, for the landings scheduled to take place in North Africa. On 11 June 1942 he was promoted to colonel and on 25 June, just two weeks later, to brigadier general. It was slightly less than two years since he had replaced his captain's bars with a major's gold leaves.

With his new star came assignment to command of the 34th Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, which was on the verge of departing for England. In August, having arrived in the war zone, General Lemnitzer was for the first of what were to be many times called upon to carry out two major assignments simultaneously: retaining command of his brigade he became, *in addition*, Assistant Chief of Staff, G3 of General Eisenhower's Allied Force Headquarters.

It was in the latter capacity that he accompanied General Mark Clark on the secret submarine mission to

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Prime Minister Churchill and General Lemnitzer at Maligano Airfield, Italy, preparing to take off for Headquarters Fifth Army.

Commander in Chief of the U.S. Far East and United Nations Command, General M. B. Ridgway, visits the Commanding General of the U.S. 7th Infantry Division, December 1952—Korean War. Left to right: Lieutenant General Williston B. Palmer, Commanding General X U.S. Corps; (in back) Brigadier General Harry Roper, Artillery Commander, 7th Division; General Matthew B. Ridgway; General James Van Fleet, Commanding General Eighth U.S. Army; General Lemnitzer, Commanding General 7th U.S. Infantry Division.

contact friendly French elements in Algeria, the aim being to smooth the way for the Allied landings scheduled to take place three weeks later. In the midst of the discussions, an enemy patrol almost stumbled on the meeting, and the Americans escaped discovery and capture only by hiding in a wine cellar. Disaster nearly struck again when the dinghy to take the party back to the submarine was swamped in heavy surf. Despite these hazards a safe return was made, via Gibraltar, to England. For his part in this operation, General Lemnitzer was awarded the Legion of Merit in degree of officer. The citation for the award is couched in guarded terms dictated by security, but in speaking of his "outstanding judgment, tact, and soldierly qualities" it identifies characteristics which were to prove of increasing value to the Army and the nation in years to come.

General Lemnitzer's stay in England was short. The first large-scale operation involving American forces in the ETO was about to be launched. Within some two weeks after his return he was once more on the way to Gibraltar, this time in a B-17 carrying a load of general officers. Over the Bay of Biscay the lone aircraft was attacked by a flight of three JU-88s. Their first pass wounded the co-pilot, and one of the passengers—Brigadier General James Doolittle—took his place. General Lemnitzer manned a waist gun and on the JU-88s' second pass put to good use the combination of his skill as a marksman and his background as an antiaircraft artilleryman. One of the JU-88s never pulled out of its dive, and the other two disappeared over the horizon, one of them trailing smoke.

During the North African campaign General Lemnitzer was primarily occupied with his duties as Assistant Chief of Staff, G3 of Allied Force Headquarters until, in January 1943 the Headquarters Fifth U.S. Army was activated and he became its Deputy Chief of Staff. A month later, however, he returned to active command of his brigade, leading it through the Tunisian Campaign and the early landing phases of the Sicilian Campaign. His services were recognized by the award of the Legion of Merit. Taking note that "In his dual capacity as staff organizer and a leader of troops, General Lemnitzer is an inspiring example of cooperation so valuable to the Allied cause," the citation once again casts a shadow of achievements and challenges yet to come.

The adaptability and open-mindedness which had now twice been the subject of official notice were surely factors in General Lemnitzer's selection, in July 1943, for his next position: Deputy Chief of Staff to Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexander's 15th Army Group, which was later redesignated Allied Armies in Italy. He was to remain essentially in this position until July 1945 serving concurrently for eighteen months as Commanding General of the United States Contingent of the Army Group headquarters. While still wearing both these "hats," on 27 May 1944 he was promoted to major general.

Shortly after entering upon these duties he played a vital and direct role in preventing what could have been a tragic set-back for the Allied cause. The 82d Airborne Division was about to be launched for a drop on Rome. General Maxwell Taylor, having been sent secretly to consult with Italian resistance forces concerning the feasibility of the operation, had learned *(Continued on page 44)*

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General Abrams acquires a solid feel for the situation by talking with members of his command—from Privates through Generals. With Aide Lieutenant Colonel James L. Anderson, he listens to Lieutenant General Nickerson, Commanding General of III Marine Amphibious Force; and Major General Ramey, Commanding General of the Americal Division. Right: At a Fire Support Base, General Abrams talks with the troops.

General Creighton W. Abrams Jr.: COMUSMACV

"WHEN he dropped in by helicopter to see his eldest son, Creighton III, an Artillery Captain with the 1st Div, Abrams spent most of the short visit talking to sergeants and privates." AP Staff Writer George McArthur made this observation of General Creighton W. Abrams Jr. criss-crossing Vietnam with him. Talking to Generals and Privates alike is a well-known attribute to all who have had the privilege of serving with General Abrams.

In talking to the members of the USMA Class of 1965 on the unchanging qualities of leadership, General Abrams, then the Army's Vice Chief of Staff, said that "The primary consideration of a leader is that there is no set rule for dealing with people. Each person is different, and presents an individual problem for a leader . . . the job of bringing all these diverse people to a peak performance can be done and must be done. . . ."

Bringing diverse people to a peak performance has been an Abrams' trademark throughout his distinguished career. He earned nationwide recognition in *Life Magazine* as the example of an outstanding young (30-year-old) World War II American combat officer leading the 37th Tank Battalion of the 4th Armored Division as the "cutting edge of the U.S. spearhead," relieving besieged Bastogne, and driving from Normandy to Czechoslovakia.

About fifteen years later Major General Creighton W. Abrams Jr., pictured on the front *(Continued on page 45)*

Eating lunch with patients aboard the **USS Repose** off the coast of Vietnam. Right: General Abrams, Lieutenant Colonel Robert C. Bacon, Commanding Officer 3/21st Infantry, and an ARVN Commander at a Fire Support Center.

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Colonel Russ Broshous:

". . . HE IS EXCEPTIONAL in that he always chooses to do something which not many other persons do; he doesn't follow the crowd. . . . he knew he could never distinguish himself as a regular, cut and dried football player, so he racked his analytical brain and decided that as a kicking specialist he could be a benefit to the team. . . ."

In capsule form a classmate's description of the 147-pound Cadet Broshous, Class of 1933, seems to mark many of his endeavors since his graduation more than thirty-six years ago.

Colonel Broshous (center) who participated in five campaigns in Europe during World War II, expediting supplies to support the First and Third US Armies.

Russ Broshous (left) with Sylvanus Thayer Award, recipient Bob Hope (center) in Europe during World War II.

"The powers-that-be could have done no better in expanding cadet barracks and still retaining the essence of the Plain and the central core of West Point life," a comment by a returning graduate, expresses a frequently heard compliment of Colonel Broshous' latest contribution to the Academy as Head of the Expansion Planning and Control Office. The effort of Russ Broshous in the $145 million expansion and rehabilitation program that retains the traditional West Point scene adds to a long list of unique accomplishments that extend from the Crown Prince of Football to Expansion Planner. With rapport and congeniality he has earned a reputation for getting the job done and for introducing innovations as a cadet, during his early career, for the Normandy Invasion, in the European Theater of Operations, and again at West Point.

It was Cadet Broshous, too light for A-Squad football, who quarterbacked the B-Squad and served as the first point-after-touchdown specialist in football. Under the influence of Assistant Coach Red Reeder, Broshous concentrated on drop kicking and spent his spare hours aiming his kicks at a telephone pole with cadet retrievers. Then dressed in silk jersey and silk trousers, without pads and helmet, he would enter a game during time out periods to kick the extra points. In this specialized role he even made Robert Ripley's "Believe It or Not" as the "man who scored nine points in a single season without playing one second."

Russ Broshous recalls with humor his first try for an extra point in 1930 at the Yale Bowl. With Yale leading 7-0, ARMY scored quickly, and Head Coach Ralph Sasse told Broshous to go in. In the excitement, Broshous, wearing his sweat jersey, ran onto the field. As he explains the situation: "I didn't want to appear to be a prima donna, so I took off my sweat jersey. I went to drop it on the ground, but it was really muddy. So, I offered it to the referee, kicked the point, and looked around to see the referee holding up his arms, jersey and all. He handed me the jersey, then I trotted off the field."

Thus, the Crown Prince of Football, replete with silk uniform, captured the imagination of the press.

Later that season, Russ Broshous underwent a heart-breaking experience best understood by football players themselves. The setting was Chicago before 100,000 fans in sleet and mud, and ARMY's opponent was Notre Dame.

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The Crown Prince of Football

Colonel Broshous with Colonel Sumner Willard, Professor of Foreign Languages—on the left is the new MacArthur Barracks, on the right the new MacArthur Memorial, and in the background the demolition of old North Barracks to make way for the second increment of MacArthur Barracks.

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With Knute Rockne's Notre Dame leading 7-0, ARMY scored when all-America Frank Carideo's "last" punt of the game was blocked and squirted into the end zone. Broshous received the call. The game plan, practiced for two weeks, was to have Broshous fake the kick and pass to Big Ed Messinger. Assistant Coach Earl Blaik suggested Broshous pass; Head Coach Ralph Sasse said "kick."

When the teams lined up, Rockne placed his entire team on the line. The kick was blocked.

After the game the famed Knute Rockne came to the ARMY dressing room and talked to Broshous for ten minutes. "Don't let it bother you—it's just a football game" were his kind words.

Two weeks later Rockne died in a plane crash. "I'm glad we didn't make that kick and spoil Rockne's last perfect season," Coach Sasse told Broshous.

Two years after the Notre Dame game, it was Paul Gallico of the New York *Daily News* whose admiration for Broshous led to an entire column.

"There were many dramatic moments to the ARMY-Pitt game played at Michie Stadium at West Point, but none that held quite the thrill as the moment Cadet Broshous, a clean, compact looking kid, got up from the substitute bench, helmetless, his short-cropped hair standing straight up from his head, and trotted onto the gridiron once more to try his specialty. This specialty is drop-kicking. . . . He is sent onto the field when ARMY needs one point and needs it like the very dickens.

"Now the thrill for me was that here was a boy who had failed in one pinch ('when the Notre Dame line broke through and blocked Broshous' kick') being sent out to do his stuff in another, trotting onto the field, cooly and calmly and performing his specialty. The ball was snapped . . . kicked . . . and sailed over the bar between the uprights. . . .

"I admire tremendously someone who can overcome a failure and the picture of it in the imagination. . . . This department has one of the best records for non-moral pointing in town. But the lesson is obvious. I'm going to try it myself."

Shortly after graduation, Lieutenant Broshous, Corps of Engineers, received an opportunity to carry forward the momentum gained as a cadet. After a brief stint in river and harbor work at Kansas City, he was ordered to Glasgow, Montana, to gain experience with a survey crew in conjunction with the Fort Peck Dam which was to be constructed at the headwaters of the Missouri River.

Drought, people starving, the depression and the lack of jobs led to a sudden shift from exploration to construction. Get the job done was the Broshous approach as he hired six hundred people; formed them into the West Point organization of squads, platoons, and companies; had them bring their own trucks and tools; cleared the woods, developed roads; and built construction sheds.

Major Phil Fleming, ARMY's Director of Athletics during Russ' cadet days, summed up the early responsibilities of Lieutenant Broshous. On the day of the ARMY-Navy game in 1934 Major Fleming flew in to visit Broshous. The Associated Press covered the story.

"You write about these cadets when they're football heroes, and then forget them when their real careers—their Army life—starts. . . .

"A year ago today, I was flying an open plane from somewhere in Iowa up to Glasgow, Montana, where the PWA was damming the Missouri River. The man in charge was Lieutenant Charles Broshous, some three months out of West Point.

" 'The object of the PWA,' they told him, 'was to make jobs. . . . Go out there and clear a dam site. Put people to work. Keep them working.'

Colonel Broshous talks with representatives of Sovereign Construction Co., general contractor for the second increment of barracks. In the background is the demolition of old North Barracks to make way for the new construction; the sculptured "grotesques" are being saved for use in future buildings.

Colonel Broshous and Mr. Donald F. Clark, Historian and Administrative Officer in the Expansion Office, discussing the historical sculptured embellishments of MacArthur Barracks with Leyte Sallyport in the background.

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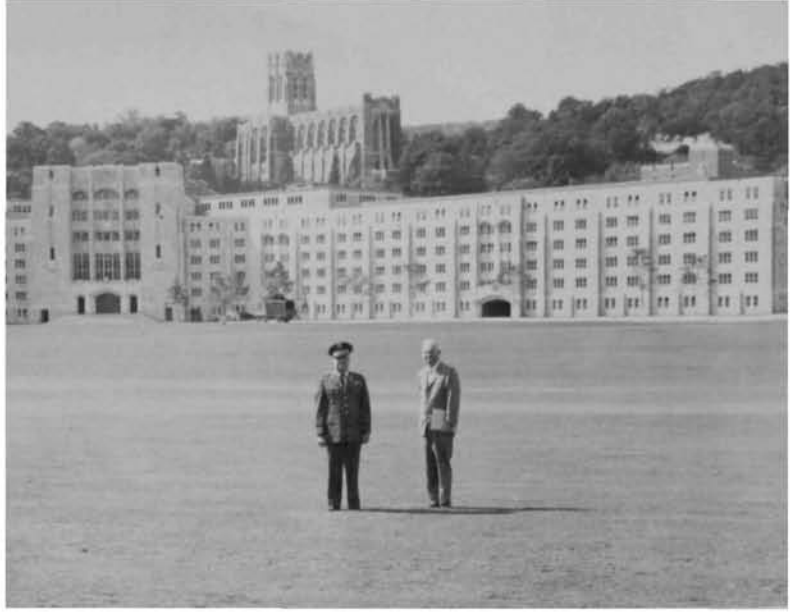
Colonel Broshous and Mr. Donald F. Clark on the Plain, with the new MacArthur Barracks and Washington Hall in the background.



Colonel Broshous and Colonel Halpin on the porch of the historic First Division which is being preserved for traditional and historical reasons.

"As I landed . . . the first thing I asked, of course, was 'For God's sake, what's the score?'

" 'What score?' . . . He didn't even know ARMY and Navy were playing.

". . . In two weeks he had six hundred working. The dam site was laid out perfectly. He had built a restaurant to feed the men.

"The trees he cut down had been cut to cord lengths. Then he had to cut all the wood to stove lengths to keep his little army busy. Then he had it split. When I got there it was kindling.

" 'Lord, Major, I'm glad to see you . . . another week and this stuff would have been down so fine I'd have had to start a match factory,' " was the Broshous reaction.

A laborer finally brought the news that ARMY beat Navy 12-7.

Russ Broshous looks back fondly upon some of the lessons he learned as a young lieutenant. He recalls at the Fort Peck Dam site his construction of a "good-size building." After the foundation was set and the wooden floor was down, a farmer came by, shook his head, and said, "Awful place to build a building."

"Why?" Broshous.

"Ice backs up, and it'll be under twenty feet of water come spring thaw."

Manpower, "like pigmies working on the Sphinx," carried the building up the hill, and "I learned early in life to talk and to listen to the natives," Broshous said.

After three years experience with the Fort Peck Dam and troop duty with the 2d Engineers at Fort Logan, Broshous received orders to the University of California at Berkeley. Having met Barbara Blood of Denver while at Fort Logan, he says of his wife, "I couldn't leave without her, so I talked her into going with me."

At Berkeley, where he received his Master of Science Degree, he helped coach the B-Squad and the place kickers when the Bears won the National Championship.

A surprise assignment as an instructor in Engineering at West Point followed when in 1939 the legendary "P" Mitchell—"who loved to get in with the cadets" and had heated discussions with Cadet Broshous—asked him to return.

Volunteering for combat service when World War II broke out, Captain Broshous' reassignment date in March 1942 was delayed until he conducted June Week activities, then he left his wife to pack and sailed aboard the *Queen Elizabeth* to England.

His first night in England he learned a philosophy that he carried throughout the war. Asleep in a hotel, he heard the air raid sirens scream, dressed quickly, and ran out in the hall to look for the air raid shelter. A charwoman calmly going about her duties turned to him and said, "Go to bed. If it's going to hit you, it'll hit you on the way to the air raid shelter." He went back to bed.

Misfortune again temporarily struck Russ Broshous. Arriving in London two months later than expected, he found all key headquarters positions filled. He was sent to Southern England, the first American there, with the task of establishing Southern Base Section, the place the invasion of Normandy would depart from. The troop build-up started, a commander and staff for Southern Base Section arrived, and with Major and then Lieutenant Colonel Broshous as Deputy Engineer, camp sites, roads, depots, hospitals, and marshaling areas were built.

A second disappointment followed when the OVERLORD invasion was postponed, and Broshous stayed behind during the fighting in North Africa. As recompense, he received a promotion to Colonel, one of the first of his Class, and by late 1943 troops started mounting for OVERLORD, and the Base Section was in full operation once again.

With time running short, a directive set the wheels turning to provide one or two practice landings in Southern England. An area was cleared to permit overhead fire as close to the real thing as possible. Then it was decided that the facilities for the landings would not be ready.

General Jacob L. Devers, Class of 1909, ruled differently. He saw the need for practice, the possibility of saving many lives. "We are going to have practice," was his decision. *(Continued on page 46)*

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Lieutenant Colonel William B. Streett, Director of the Academy's Science Research Laboratory explains the low pressure gas expansion system used to make precise measurements of the density of fluids to Cadet Robert Coursar, research student. (Below)

Major James E. Hill, performing full time research after teaching three years in the Chemistry Department, teams with Cadet John Lazzeri in high pressure study of mixtures of gases up to 60,000 pounds per square inch. (Right)

west point's science research laboratory

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IN recent years, increases in the number and the level of advanced science electives in the Military Academy's curriculum, accompanied by an increase in the number of faculty members who hold Ph.D. degrees, or who continue their doctoral studies while at West Point, has led to a greater interest in faculty-level research. Increasing numbers of individual faculty members have engaged in original research, usually on a part time basis, while continuing their teaching duties.

Support for this research has come primarily from department resources and from grants by the U.S. Army Research Office, Durham, North Carolina. These research efforts have been successful, not only in contributing new knowledge, but also in providing opportunities for cadet participation through advanced electives in research. In most cases, science research projects have been accommodated within existing laboratories; however, the need for increased faculty research facilities, apart from departmental laboratories designed primarily for cadet instruction, became apparent.

The new Science Research Laboratory will fill this need. In July 1969, the Superintendent, Major General Samuel W. Koster, formally established the USMA Science Research Laboratory. The laboratory, which is under the supervision of Brigadier General John R. Jannarone, Dean of the Academic Board, has been created to provide facilities and support for faculty research in the physical sciences.

The emphasis in the new laboratory will be on original basic research, with the potential of contributing new knowledge, leading to publication in scientific journals, and active participation in scientific conferences by those engaged in research. Eventually, the laboratory is expected to accommodate a wide variety of research projects, determined largely by research interests and talent among the faculty. The widest possible interdepartmental cooperation will be encouraged. *(Continued on page 47)*

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The Growth of a Young Leader . . .

THE FOURTH

PERHAPS it was his heritage. There was certainly plenty of it. Four of his antecedents signed the Declaration of Independence. A few years out of West Point his great-grandfather died in the Indian Wars. A grandfather was one of Army's famous polo players. His AF brother-in-law has flown two combat tours in this war, and his father is a West Pointer and a retired major general.

He hadn't trained to be a professional. His had been a prep school and civilian college education differing little from the norm except for one university year in Europe. His hair was moderately long, in the British fashion, and his simpatico was with his contemporaries, here at home, save for two things.

His principles and something in his conscience dictated that he had a job to do. So, in his senior year he joined the Marines and got his commission the hard way, from the ranks.

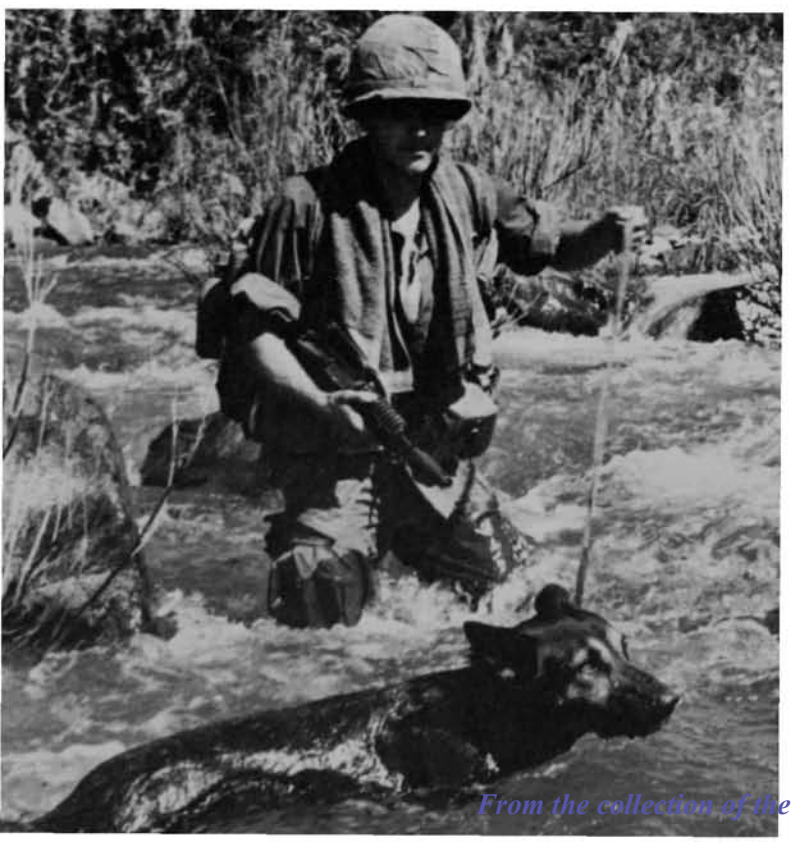
Each generation has its war to fight. In this truism he saw nothing sweet and decorous, as the motto goes. Nor did he feel the hero for making his decision. This was no WHAT PRICE GLORY war. It was but a simple fact of life, and he fell into step with it, not head-on in opposition with excuses and self-pity.

His friends in Georgetown, London's Chelsea and in Newport Beach wouldn't understand him. They would arch eyebrows, laugh, argue and get mad. They always looked for someone to blame for everything. And he thought he knew where the blame was; but you couldn't fight with them. Blame and recrimination could come later. The thing, now, was to help and end it, forthrightly.

So, he stood there, at the aircraft ladder's foot, in his unwrinkled, expensively tailored uniform. The left breast was bare except for a shooting medal, and a pair of six-month-old gold bars shined on his shoulders: Just another subaltern. But a pro—a fourth generation pro.

One hand clutched a tightly rolled baton of papers sending him to war. From the other dangled a little container of soap and related gear—to be thrown away in twenty-two hours and exchanged for jungle fatigues, a knife, and an M-16 rifle.

Good-byes are hard, but easier for a youth severed from home much of his life than for others never far from a mother's cry. To parents, though, it's never easy. A



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GENERATION PRO COMES HOME

wife can bid a husband off to war and not shed a tear. But a youngster flying the nest to violent scenes is another scenario—nature asserting itself.

Neither painter nor sculptor catches a man in the peak of mental and physical perfection. He's got to be seen in the flesh, like this twenty-two-year-old, after a hard year and a half in the Corps. His eyes flashed, youthfully and very blue, like his mother's, for the ice-cube combat-brittleness was yet to come; and only a slight nervousness made this different from scores of similar good-byes.

"Well, Mom, Dad, take care."

Then: "God bless you, son."

And, finally, the embraces. And he was gone.

Five days later he is a platoon commander of combat-hardened veterans. With but two responsibilities—some thirty odd men under him, and accomplishment of the assigned mission—for the first time in his life he is massively shocked to see other men, copper-skinned men, who want to kill him or be killed doing it.

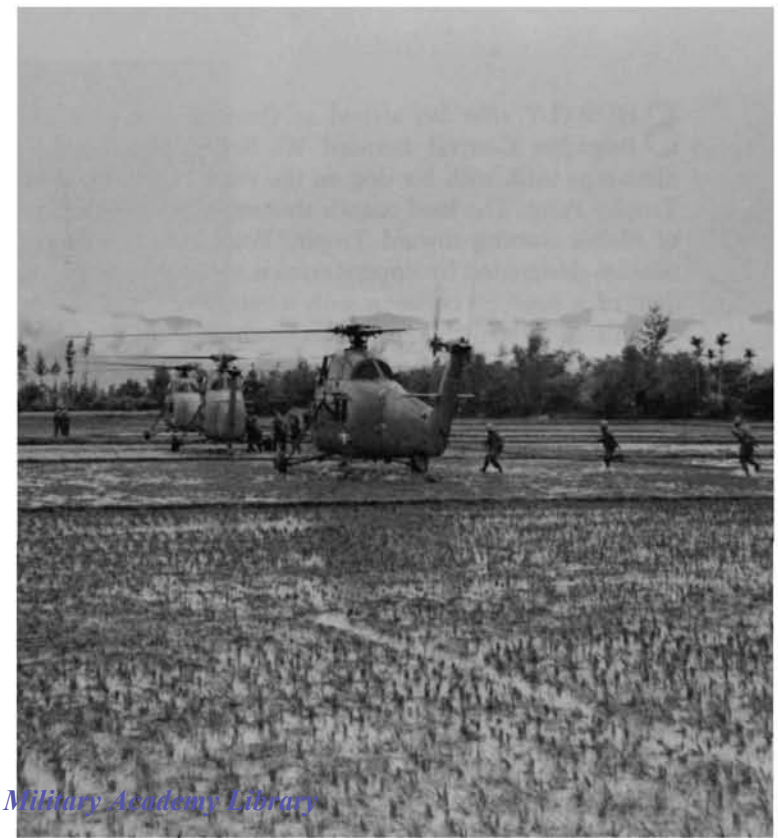
He was never good with mail in school or college. Problems were numbered by the infrequent letters enumerating them. So one expects no change now. But letters start to come in, frequently too. His men are watching him, and he finds the way to shake troubles is through writing letters home.

Scratched out in dugouts and saw grass, they are on lined, yellow paper, partially soaked by rain and sometimes by other things. "I'm forever cutting my hands. Everyone's chronically infected here, and the leeches are bad, too."

In the second letter: "This is a picture of our scout dog. They finally got him. But he did a good job, and found two gooks while getting killed."

He tastes combat and nearly becomes a statistic: "Well, I've been on my first patrol and almost lost my skin. I could have been a zero for all my training. The CO said get out and find a VC machine gun hidden in the brush. I sneaked up to a river bank, and a dog came out of the reeds and stood there wagging his tail, like Rory back home. So I stood up and, BLAM. God, I never knew what. . . ."

Other letters follow, and extracts from successive ones indicate the Pilgrim's Progress *(Continued on page 47)*



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Major General Bernard W. Rogers, June '43, with gift from the Corps, thanks First Captain and Brigade Commander John T. Connors. The former Commandant commands the 5th Infantry Division (Mech) and Fort Carson, Colorado.

USMA BIDS FAREWELL TO GENERAL ROGERS

SHORTLY after his arrival as Commandant of Cadets, Brigadier General Bernard W. Rogers was taking an after-taps walk with his dog on the edge of the Plain near Trophy Point. The loud sounds stemming from the cadence of Plebes trotting toward Trophy Point on a "moonlight" mission designated by upperclassmen assured the Commandant of a head-on collision with a condition he disliked—a growth of destructive practices such as the removal of historic objects that are an integral part of West Point's history.

The Commandant ordered the column to "Halt!" Being immediately recognized by the Plebes, he watched the column retreat hastily back to barracks.

General Rogers returned to his office, met with the Cadet First Captain, and an understanding to channel cadet efforts into positive practices began.

Shortly before his departure to command the 5th Infantry Division (Mechanized) and Fort Carson, Colorado, the results of General Rogers' deep interest in and concern for the Corps were clearly evident. To those who served with him, the recent constructive changes in the Plebe System, however, were no surprise.

A talk with General Rogers invariably led to a discussion of the Corps—the historical past and the appropriate direction for the future. He thoughtfully questioned practices that had mushroomed under the umbrella of tradition. Maintaining a close link with the Cadet chain of command—which he believed strongly should "run the Corps," he would point with pride toward a notebook on his desk. The liaison book, as it is commonly called, served as a continual exchange of thought between the Commandant and the Cadet First Captain. On the one hand, the Commandant could keep the First Captain and his staff informed. On the other hand, the First Captain, without being officially on record, could jot down his thoughts about actions or conditions the Corps liked or disliked, about recommendations for changes, or about anything cadets considered worthy of note. The Commandant, with an "open door" policy, would rule on recommendations within his jurisdiction and would explain any item that had to be held in abeyance.

As time passed, the respect of General Rogers for the Corps gained recognition among the cadets. A completed staff study, for example, appeared on his desk one morning before the 1968 ARMY-Navy game recommending that the Corps all wear No. 12 jerseys for the game, removing their dress coats at the start of the game to let the team know there was a twelfth man on the field—the entire Corps. Unknown to the team the cadets had arranged for the purchase of the jerseys, planned for the distribution and for briefings pledging the upperclassmen departing on weekend leave to keep the secret. The destructive habits of cadets before the Navy game had turned to active support of the team.

As Commandant of Cadets, however, General Rogers' most important contribution to the Academy was his success in implementing for the Class of 1973 a philosophy geared to produce a positive influence on cadet performance. He and the cadet leaders *(Continued on page 49)*

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GENERAL WALKER APPOINTED COMMANDANT

OCTOBER was homecoming for all USMA graduates but mid-October was a special one for Brigadier General Sam S. Walker when he assumed duties as Commandant of Cadets. Born at West Point in July 1925, returning as a cadet in July 1943 and again as a tactical officer in July 1959, General Walker brings a wealth of command and staff experience to his current assignment.

Prior to entering the Military Academy, he attended the Virginia Military Institute for two years. As a cadet at the Academy, he served as a regimental commander and upon graduation in June 1946 was commissioned in the Infantry.

A combat Infantryman in both Korea and Vietnam, General Walker's command experience extends from platoon through assistant division command levels. At the outbreak of the Korean War, he assumed command of Company A, 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, participating in all major campaigns in 1950 and receiving the Silver Star for gallantry in action. He also commanded the 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry (Mechanized), 3d Infantry Division in Germany—the battalion that in 1964 represented United States Army Europe in combined NATO maneuvers with Danish Military Forces. In 1966 General Walker served in Vietnam—initially as Executive Officer, 3d Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, then as G3 of the Division. In July 1966 he was appointed Brigade Commander of the 2d Brigade, 1st Infantry Division. Prior to his assignment to USMA, he was Assistant Division Commander, 82d Airborne Division.

General Walker's staff assignments have been equally extensive. Among his varied assignments, he has served as regimental S1, S2, and S3 and as a division Assistant G4 and G3. He also served as Assistant G3, United States Army Caribbean.

In 1957, after a tour in the Joint Intelligence Group, Joint Chiefs of Staff, he was appointed Aide-de-Camp to the Army's Chief of Staff, General Maxwell D. Taylor, a position he held until General Taylor's retirement in 1959. Additional key staff assignments include duty as Deputy J1, of the United Nations Command/U.S. Forces Korea, also Secretary of the Joint Staff of that command, and Chief, Force Readiness Team, Force Planning Analysis, in the Office of the Vice Chief of Staff.

Included in General Walker's achievements are his designation as an outstanding graduate of the National War College in 1964, his selection to attend the Advanced Management Program of the Harvard Business School in 1967, and his personal selection in 1968 by Army Chief of Staff General Harold K. Johnson to participate in a year's special fellowship at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City.

General Walker and his wife Charlotte have three children: Walton Harris II, Sam Sims Jr., and Sally Anne.

Major General Samuel W. Koster '42, Superintendent, welcomes Brigadier General Sam S. Walker '46, Commandant of Cadets.

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Plebe Classes at Service Academies Include Sons of USMA Graduates

(Fathers' names are in parentheses)

USMA:

1932—William W. Epley (G.G. Epley)

1935—John M. Greenlee (H.R. Greenlee), William V. Martz II (W.V. Martz), Michael G. Williamson (J. Williamson)

1936—John H. Daly Jr. (J.H. Daly), Jonathan L. Jacoby (A.M. Jacoby)

1938—Stephen H. Frolich (A.J. Frolich), Jeremy K. Miller (F.D. Miller)

1939—Donald A. Davison (M.S. Davison), Donald F. Hull (D.F. Hull)

1940—Lee T.W. Bavaro (M.F. Bavaro), Thomas G. Delaney (R.J. Delaney)

1941—William R. Brown (R.D. Brown Jr.), Andrew D. Thompson (J.D. Thompson)

1942—James H. Hayes Jr. (J. Hayes)

Jan 1943—Howard D. Elliott Jr. (H.D. Elliott), Stephen J. Kuffner (J.E. Kuffner)

Jun 1943—William N. Deatherage (J.F. Deatherage), Robert MacMullin (R.J. MacMullin), John W. Morris III (J.W. Morris), George K. Saul (F.W. Saul)

1944—Michael T. Anderson (E.P. Anderson), Joseph P. Cyr (C.W. Cyr), James K. O'Brien Jr. (J.K. O'Brien), Dee W. Pettigrew III (D.W. Pettigrew Jr.), John N. Robinson 3d (J.N. Robinson Jr.)

1945—David C. Crockett (D.W. Crockett), Thomas A. Godwin (T.J. Godwin), Douglas H. Hartline (R.S. Hartline), Robert E. Hoffmann (W.H. Hoffmann), Duncan B. Hoge (G.F. Hoge), Robert C. Holcomb J.F. Holcomb Sr.), Robert N. Ives Jr. (R.N. Ives), Craig V. Landrith (G.S. Landrith), William M. Love (W.J. Love), Matthew W. Raymond (W.D. Raymond), William A. Snow (W.J. Snow), Paul W. Trotti (M.W. Trotti)

1946—Richard B. Diver 2d (R.B. Diver), Philip D. Haisley Jr. (P.D. Haisley), Glenen V. Nance (J.W. Nance), Richard M. Saunders (E.A. Saunders), Christopher A. Torgerson (A.C. Torgerson), Robert B. Tully Jr. (R.B. Tully), Harley E. Venters Jr. (H.E. Venters), Craig D. Wildrick (R.M. Wildrick)

1948—Joseph K. Bratton Jr. (J.K. Bratton), Hugh F.T. Hoffman III (H.F.T. Hoffman)

1949—John F. Birch (F.F. Birch), Regis J. Carr (J.L. Carr), John M. Cronin (J.H. Cronin Jr.), Francis S. Hinchion (F.A. Hinchion), William R. Orton II (G.S. Orton), Roland E. Peixotto Jr. (R.E. Peixotto), Ernst E. Roberts II (E.E. Roberts), Benjamin M. Ross III (M.C. Ross), Joseph P. Tallman (R.J. Tallman), Christopher T. Westfall (F.R. Westfall), Murray W. Williams Jr. (M.W. Williams)

1950—Mark L. Hanna (M.J. Hanna), William D. Miller (W.D. Miller), James M. Wheaton (J.R. Wheaton Jr.), Charles E. Wilson (P.W. Wilson)

1952—Albert P.C. Hulley (R.N. Hulley)

USNA:

1940—Andrew C. Wright (H.T. Wright)

1945—James A. Stuart III (J.A. Stuart Jr.)

1949—Andrew D. Mechling (E.B. Mechling Jr.), John D. Yepsen (J.H. Yepsen)

USAFA:

1934—Drew G. Smith (D.O. Smith)

1935—Robin G. Russell (J.G. Russell)

1937—John D. Eriksen (J.G. Eriksen)

1941—David L. Brier (W.W. Brier)

Jan 1943—Frank T. Ellis Jr. (F.T. Ellis)

Jun 1943—Luther W. Hough III (L.W. Hough Jr.)

1944—William H. Gervais (F.B. Gervais)

1945—Robert G. Lochry (R.R. Lochry), Robert A. Munson (J.A. Munson)

1946—Glenn C. Strain (B.T. Strain)

1947—James D. Heironimus Jr. (J.D. Heironimus), Michael M. Young (J.M. Young)

1948—Helmer C. Swenholt (D.B. Swenholt), Donald C. Wurster (C.A. Wurster)

1949—Carl B. Crites (C.R. Crites), Charles W. Oliver Jr. (C.W. Oliver)

1950—Charles F.G. Kuyk III (C.F.G. Kuyk Jr.), Stephens F. McCauley (C.L. McCauley), John H. Wagoner (J.S. Wagoner)

Four Plebe sons of the Class of 1950: Wheaton, Wilson, Miller, Hanna.

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Under auspices of the West Point Society of Chicago, a monument is dedicated at site of unmarked grave of General William Sooy Smith, Chief of Cavalry under General Ulysses S. Grant in the Civil War and famed Chicago civil engineer, on 22 July 1969. Ceremony is conducted in beautiful Forest Home Cemetery at Forest Park, a suburb of Chicago, on the 139th anniversary of General Smith's birth. He died in March 1916. Behind the monument (from left) are those who conducted the ceremony: Brigadier General William H. Wilbur (USA Ret), Honorary President of the Society and Medal of Honor recipient, who gave the dedicatory address; Colonel Thomas M. Metz (USA Ret), President of the Society; and Major General E.C.R. Lasher (USA Ret), Committee Chairman and Master of Ceremonies. Master Stuart Kent Clawson, child authority of the Civil War, is in the foreground.

Captain Jon Kay Thompson, (second from right), a 1965 U.S. Military Academy graduate, is shown receiving a $2,500 fellowship for postgraduate study in aeronautical engineering from the Daedalian Foundation. Major General Richard A. Grussendorf, (USAF), at left and General Jacob Smart, (USAF Ret), second from left, represented the Order of Daedalians in presentation ceremonies at West Point. Brigadier General John R. Jannarone, right, Dean of the Military Academy Academic Board, presided at the ceremonies. The Order of Daedalians is a highly selective patriotic organization originally formed by World War I American military pilots. It seeks to promote military aerospace activities as well as fostering love of country and support of basic American principles.

REMINDER ON
FOUNDERS DAY 1970 CELEBRATIONS

The annual Association of Graduates, USMA, letter on Founders Day 1970 was sent to major commands and installations and the Presidents of the West Point Societies on 15 August 1969. Should there be any command, installation, or West Point Society which did not receive a copy of the letter and wish a copy, we will be happy to send one. We look for a fine World-wide 1970 Founders Day turnout.

Coach Tom Cahill: A Man For The Corps

By Gordon S. White Jr. and Mervin D. Hyman. Published by The Macmillan Company. $5.95.

Reviewed by FRANK WALTER.

Arm two of New York's top sports writers with tape recorders, let them ask all of the questions they desire, and then let them sprinkle the mixture with their personal experiences, for they were there from the start. It has to produce a readable result, a story which may sound like fiction but one that is true.

Merv Hyman stood on the Army practice field that May day when Thomas B. Cahill was named varsity coach of football after serving loyally as the Plebe (freshman) coach at West Point for seven years.

Gordon White and Merv were in the press box, the dressing room, and with Cahill in the office and at home through most of the 1966, 1967, and 1968 seasons as Cahill guided the Army team to 23 wins in 30 games, including victories two out of three times against Navy.

Together they watched the story they were to write unfold. They had an opportunity to be as close to the Corps as it is possible without donning Cadet gray. They were almost as close as Cahill himself but not quite. But Tom told them how it was, and they put it into print.

They cover the story of Army football, one that started back in 1890 with the first Navy game and still has chapters to be written.

Tom and Bonnie, his lovely wife, come into sight in the first chapter in 1957, eighteen months before they were to arrive at West Point. The last chapter sums it up in the summer of 1969. There will be those who read this final chapter and be critical. But White and Hyman call it as they see it.

It took seven months to go from Plebe coach to Coach-of-the-Year for the then 47-year-old Cahill who had never coached a college varsity. That was 1966.

There was the Sugar Bowl story in 1967. And there was 1968 when Tom had what he considers his best Army team to date.

One chapter that stands above all others deals with the life of a football player at the Military Academy. Entitled "The Corps Within The Corps" it expresses as well as anything written to date the position of football at Army. To those who know, it rings true; and for those who don't know, it answers all of those many questions that need to be answered.

All too often the writing of a man's story is put off until late in life when the incidents are either forgotten or have

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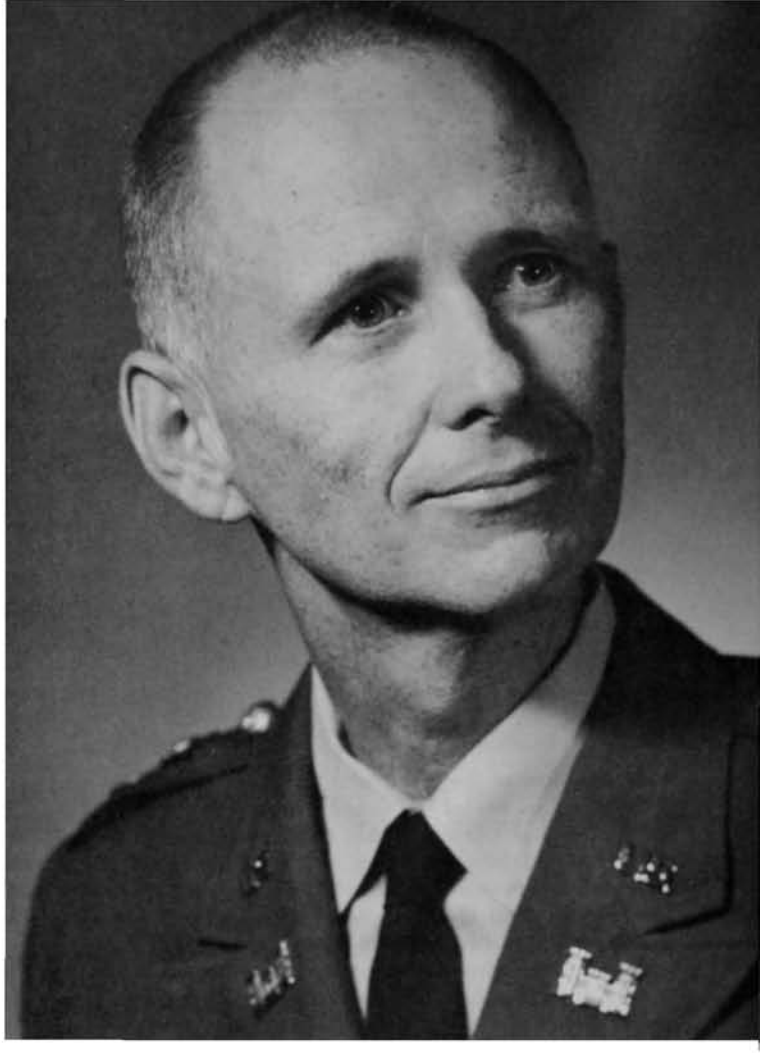
become changed because of their being told and retold too many times. But in this case, the material is still fresh in the minds of many and has been recorded correctly.

It may not be a best seller, for perhaps it lacks the sensationalism needed to put it into the hands of millions. But for the Saturday tailgate set at Michie Stadium, for



Colonel Gerald W. Medsger has been appointed Director of Research for the U.S. Military Academy. Colonel Medsger plans and directs institutional research projects ordered by the Superintendent and coordinates and supports all other research conducted by agencies at the Military Academy. He succeeds Colonel John S. Howland (Ret). Previously Colonel Medsger was Associate Professor and Executive Officer of the Department of Mathematics at the Academy. A 1948 USMA graduate, he was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. Subsequently he earned Master of Science Degrees in Civil Engineering at the California Institute of Technology in 1957 and in Physics from New York University in 1968. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

Colonel C.H. Prunty '28, mounted, passes along authentic information on the traditional horse Cavalry to three members of the 4th Squadron, 12th Cavalry, mounted patrol and color guard at Fort Carson, Colorado. At Red Diamond Brand Ranch, Fort Carson recreation center, where Colonel Prunty rides daily, he talks horses with, from left, Specialist Four Charles Sheldon from Greeley, Colorado; Staff Sergeant Donald Mutter from El Paso, Texas; and Specialist Four Robert Thompson from Folsom, California. The Colonel retired in 1954 after 25 years with the Cavalry. His father, Class of 1901, was also a Cavalryman.

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the faithful followers of Army football throughout the world, this book is a must on the bookshelf of true stories about the Military Academy.

Tom Cahill asked for nothing. May he get a lot more than that.

Billy Casper: Winner

By Paul D. Peery (USMA 1928). Published by Prentice Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N.J., 1969. $5.95.

Reviewed by EGON WEISS, Librarian, USMA.

The author, Paul D. Peery, USMA 1928, who is an artist and expert carillonneur, organist, and visiting artist from Claremont College has written a most unusual and engaging biography of one of the greatest golfers of our time. It could properly be entitled "What Makes Billy Casper Tick." This complex man whose formula of success is an amalgam of physical coordination, integrity, or as the author put it, intactness, love for wife and family, addiction to strange foods and a belated convert to the Mormon religion, had to overcome many handicaps in order to sustain his phenomenal success on the links. Casper is a natural golfer who initially was grossly overweight and who exhibited an utter dislike for practice. His discovery of an allergist who finally helped overcome his problems by putting him on a diet of hippopotamus, elk, and elephant meats coupled with Casper's salvation within the Mormon religion implies strong psychosomatic relationships. It is a most readable and engaging account which delves into Billy's early childhood with his Prussian grandfather and makes a point of revealing interaction with members of his family. Lest we forget, his success is also due to one key factor other than diet and religion; namely, his unmatched concentration while engaged in the business of golf.

As the author has pointed out, golf is Billy Casper's business, his record earnings attest to this statistic, however fishing is his pleasure. Our plaudits go to the author for writing an inspired study of an inspirational man.

Brigadier General (USA Ret) George D. Wahl, a District Representative of the U.S. Military Academy from 24450 South San Luis, Carmel, California, receives a plaque and congratulations from Major General S.W. Koster, Superintendent of the Military Academy, in recognition of General Wahl's outstanding achievements on behalf of the Military Academy's admissions program. General Wahl, a 1917 graduate of the Military Academy, has been responsible for the admission of 20 cadets to the Academy while serving as District Representative in the Carmel area. The presentation was made at West Point on 30 September 1969, while General Wahl was visiting the Academy as a guest of West Point's Admissions Office.

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Captain Robert F. Foley, and his bride, Julie, emerge from the Catholic Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity under an archway of Cadet sabers after their wedding ceremony in September. Captain Foley, a recent Medal of Honor recipient, and his wife, the former Miss Julie Languasco, are stationed at West Point.

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The Reverend James D. Ford, Chaplain of the U.S. Military Academy, Mrs. Theodore C. Speers, widow of the late Theodore C. Speers, Academy Chaplain from 1959 until 1964, Colonel W.J. Renfroe, acting chairman of the Cadet Chapel Board, and Cadet Thomas Hall, Superintendent of the West Point Sunday School, examine a book in the newly-decorated Speers Memorial Library.

Brigadier General John R. Jannarone, Dean of the Academic Board, congratulates Colonel Jack L. Capps, Professor of English, on his promotion. Colonel Capps' wife, Marie, and daughter, Katie, share in the joy of the occasion.

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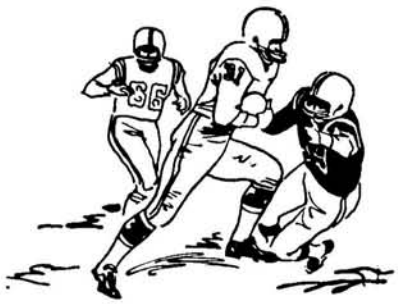

down the field...

by FRANK WALTER

King Football had reached the halfway point of his 1969 reign, and the outlook on the banks of the Hudson had taken on a gray look. The ARMY team had run into long afternoons, losing three straight after opening the campaign with a pair of wins. That made it a real challenge for Coach Tom Cahill, his staff, and the 1969 players, for they now need to win the remaining five to match last year's 7-3 record. Can it be done? The answer is a qualified YES, the qualification being based primarily on the return of several injured players plus a monumental display of football against the Air Force.

How about Boston College, Oregon, Pittsburgh, and Navy? They aren't to be denied, but after Air Force thumped Oregon, 60 to 13, at the halfway mark, the Falcons appear to be far and above the most dangerous foe.

The pre-season concerns at quarterback on offense and the entire defensive platoon proved to be real. It may be well to capsule the season to date and then present some observations.

It started with an impressive 31 to 14 victory over New Mexico in the opener. Michie Stadium expansion hadn't been completed (the press box still wasn't at the fifth game) but 25,000 fans crowded in to see the game.

The untested defense set up the first three touchdowns, and that pleased the rebuilders under Coach Dick Lyon. Cornerback Don MacLaren blocked a Lobo punt, and end John Roth chased the bounding ball into the end zone, recovering it there for six points.

It was MacLaren again but seconds later, this time recovering a New Mexico fumble on the visitor's 37. Halfback Henry Andrzejczak, known as Hank the Tank, was so inspired by the turn of events that he ploughed through tackle and broke into the clear for a 37-yard run for six on the first play. ARMY had 14 points in 22 seconds as Arden Jensen kicked both conversions.

Linebacker Bob Coonan came through with the next defensive gem, gathering in a New Mexico pass and running it back 22 yards. Andrzejczak and Captain Lynn Moore teamed for six plays to cover the 24 yards, Moore getting the score.

Quarterback Bernie Wall, who has been working with Bob Mohn, another Second Classman, as the ARMY signal caller, fired a 35-yard pass to flanker Joe Albano, who took it on a diving catch in the end zone.

Jensen kicked a 41-yard field goal, the 12th of his career. Along with the running of Andrzejczak, the pass catching of end Hugh MacDonald, yearling from South Bend, Indiana, was impressive. The only member of the Class of 1972 to make the starting offense, he had four receptions in the opener.

The 17-13 loss to Vanderbilt last year at West Point was well remembered, so Cahill and his crew went down to Nashville and evened the count with the Commodores, a 16-6 victory. Wall got the call at quarterback and went all the way. His passes were crisp and effective, and when his receivers were bottled, he simply ran for distance.

Vanderbilt went after Andrzejczak since their scouts had seen him run the week before, so Wall called upon Moore and the ARMY captain rolled up 152 yards running. He also scored both touchdowns.

Jensen's magic toe accounted for the first three points, his 32-yard field goal in the second period matching the

Halfback Henry Andrzejczak (43) threads his way through heavy traffic in the 31-14 victory over New Mexico in ARMY's 1969 opener. Andrzejczak gained 152 yards rushing and scored once to lead the Cadets.

Lobo runner runs into Army defensive roadblock in the person of cornerback Byron Price (89). Coming in to help are tackle Ken Wyrick (52) and linebacker Larry Horacek (57).

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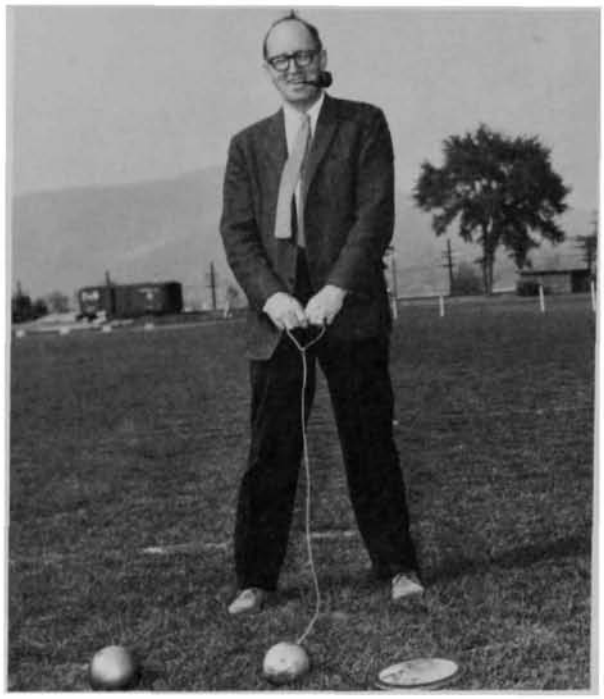
ARMY career record made by Dick Heydt in the 1961-63 period. Wall came right back to direct an 80-yard march with a big run of 25 yards by Andrzejczak and passes of 13 to MacDonald and 17 to Albano. A flanker reverse by Albano for 11 yards put the ball on the 1, and Moore bumped over tackle. Jensen kicked, and it was 10-0 at the half.

Things continued to shine for the ARMY as Wall engineered another march on the second-half kickoff, covering 81 yards in 13 plays. Wall ran, as did Moore, and his passes to Mike Masciello resulted in ARMY having a first and goal again on the 1. Moore went over for his third score of the young season. Jensen missed after 16 consecutive conversions going back into 1968.

Vanderbilt scored on two long passes, but then the defense jelled and two interceptions, one by John Brenner and another by Danton Steele, stopped that threat. Things looked good as the team came home from Nashville.

Then came Homecoming with 41,000 filling Michie Stadium to capacity and getting the distinction of the largest crowd ever to see a football game at West Point. But that was about all that was gained in favor of the ARMY, for the Cadets from Texas A&M, who hadn't won a game until then, took the game, 20 to 13.

There wasn't anything wrong with the first half which ended 10-10. After the Aggies got a field goal, Wall called upon Captain Moore, and the big fullback produced the long run which set up the lone touchdown. He might have gone the distance, but was bumped out on the 12. Three plays later on his favorite (*Continued on next page*)



THE ASSOCIATION of Graduates extends thanks and best wishes to Frank Walter for willingly contributing his time and talents to ASSEMBLY. Frank, who served six years as ARMY Sports Information Director (1963-69) and seven years as Information Specialist in the Admissions Division (1956-1963), is now an Information Specialist for the Atomic Energy Commission in Berkeley, California. In the sports field, Frank earned a national reputation. He was named second Vice President of College Sports Information Directors of America at the 1969 convention in Chicago. He was Chairman of that group's Ethics Committee (three years) and Special Awards Committee (two years). He also served as Secretary-Treasurer of Eastern Sports Information Directors (three years), and won four national awards for outstanding football brochures. His link with the Army will continue since he was promoted to Colonel in the U.S. ARMY Reserve in August 1969.

Placekicker Arden Jensen (45) kicks a 41-yard field goal to aid in ARMY's 31-14 win over New Mexico. That's quarterback Bob Mohn (16) holding while Captain Lynn Moore (44) moves forward to halt a New Mexico defender.

Quarterback Bernie Wall (10) runs the option play against Texas A&M. Tackle Don DeCort (71) leads the way while Bob Johnson (75) is the tackle on the other side.

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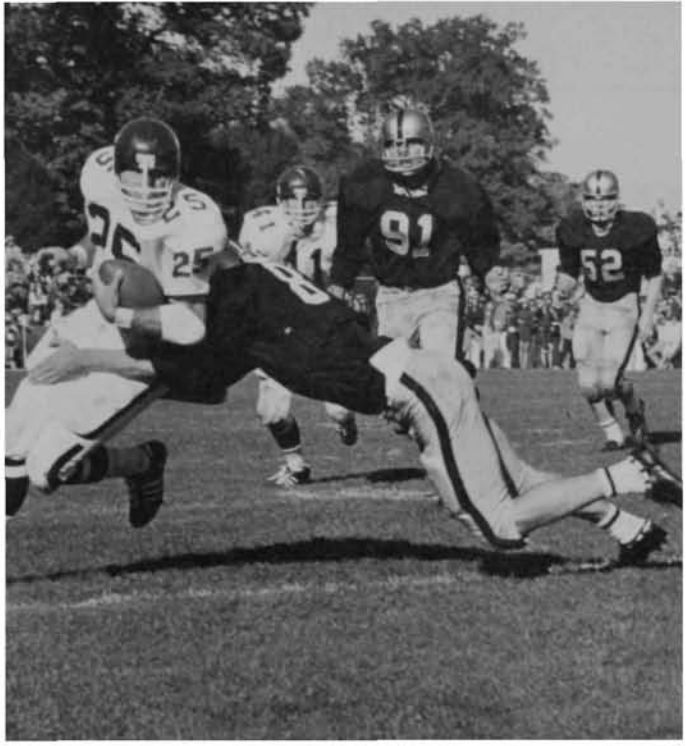
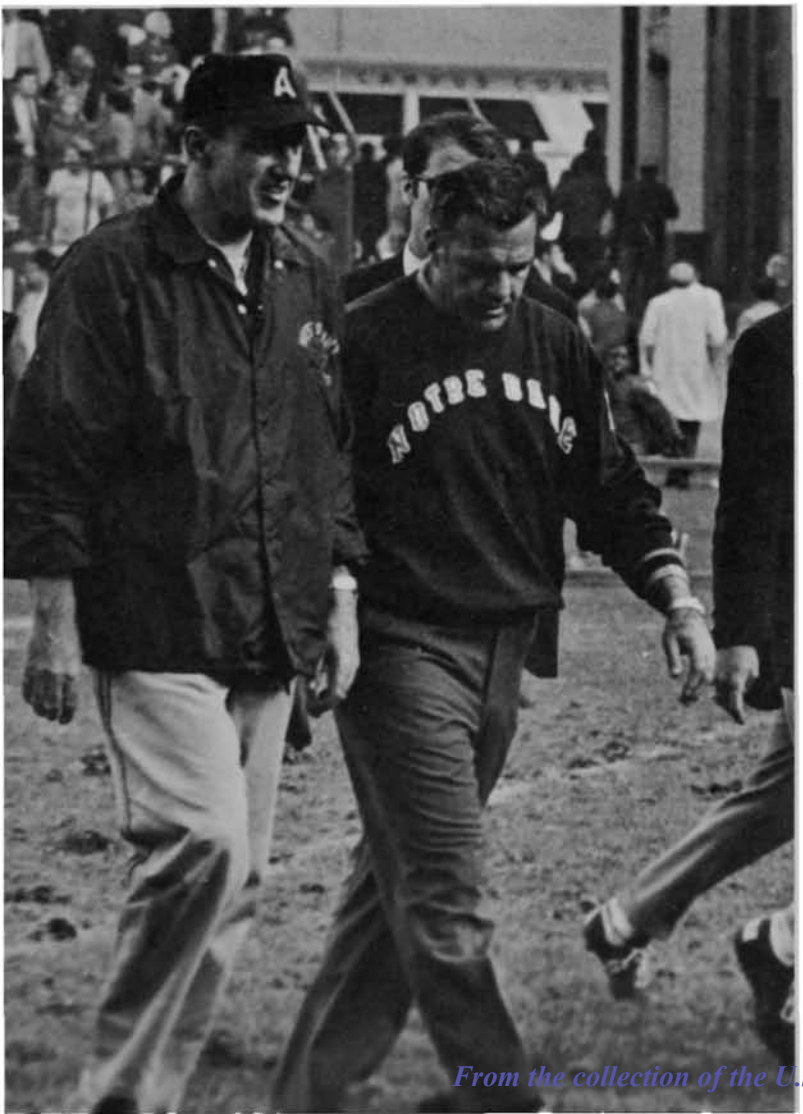


Aggie halfback Larry Stegent, who was most effective against the Army, runs into defender Byron Price (89) with defensive end John Roth (91) and tackle Ken Wyrick (52) coming up to help.

Record breaker Captain Lynn Moore heads back with a Texas A&M kickoff with blocking help from guard Bill Jackson (69) and another ARMY player. Moore returned kickoffs for 152 yards in this game, breaking a single-game mark of 150 made by ARMY offensive coach Bob Mischak against Dartmouth in 1951.

After the game, coach Tom Cahill walks off the field with Notre Dame coach Ara Parseghian. There was little happiness that afternoon as the Irish won, 45 to 0.



first-and-goal situation, Moore went in. Jensen kicked the point, and ARMY led, 7-3.

In spite of some defensive heroics inside the ARMY 10, where the Texans were halted, they came back to take a 10-7 lead. Later Jensen kicked field goal No. 14 for a record, and the score was tied.

Six runnings plays plus two punts was the offensive effort for ARMY in the third period. That's the kind of action which puts the pressure on the defense. Texas was getting a field goal to take the lead, but the defense was playing 80 per cent of that time. A 27-yard pass in the fourth period produced six more, and it was 20-10 with time running out.

Moore rolled 80 yards on a kickoff return, good enough to put the ball on the 10, but aerial efforts by Bob Mohn, who had replaced Wall at quarterback, ended with Jensen kicking another field goal. Moore broke a single-game kick-off return record with 152 yards. ARMY coach Bob Mischak made the mark of 150 against Dartmouth in 1951. But records are not victories.

Notre Dame was next, and it was a full house at Yankee Stadium. The Irish had too much of everything, and ended with a 45-0 victory. It was one of those games that taxed the undermanned ARMY to the limit, and while there was a good move late in the game which carried to touchdown territory, a fumbled pitchout halted that bid. The effects of this one showed against Utah State.

Five starters were missing for that game, three on offense and two on defense. Injuries and flu cut into the thin ranks. Wall was out with an ankle. Mohn was hobbling with a bad knee, and Roger LeDoux, quarterback hero of the openers against Virginia and Boston College in 1967, was called upon to lead the pack. Roger tried as the teams traded first quarter touchdowns. Moore scampered 56 yards for ARMY's, and Jensen booted the conversion. That brought it to 7-7.

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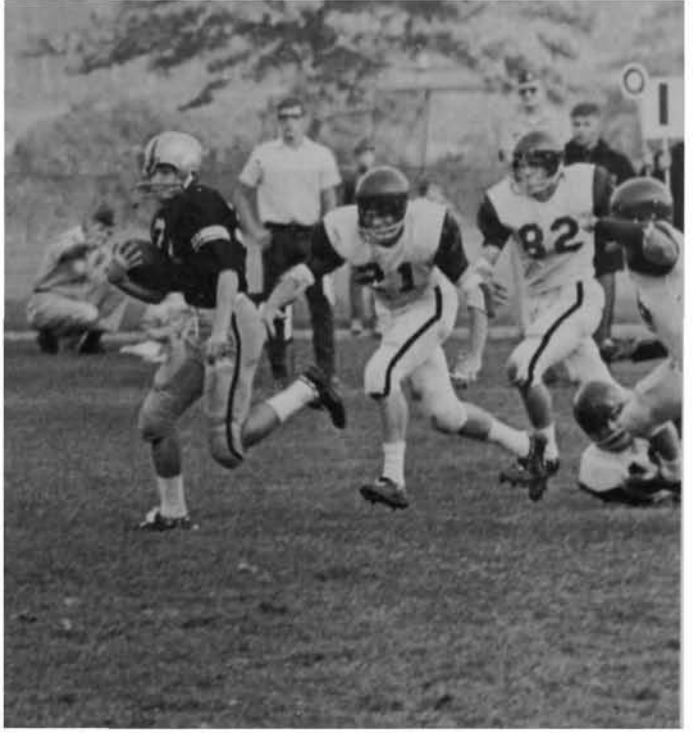
One of the few bright spots in the Notre Dame game was Paul McDowell's long return of a pass interception. Tackle Terry Brennan (64) makes the tackle while quarterback Joe Theismann (7), who threw the pass, comes over to help.



ARMY 150-pounders on the move in a 42-12 win over Penn.

Matt Fleumer (2) sparkles in ARMY's win over Colgate.

But with all newcomers in the defensive secondary, veteran Tom Haller having been lost before the season started and Brenner going out from Irish injuries, the Utah Aggies (almost the same variety that invaded Michie two weeks before) used the pass effectively. All three scores came that way, the one on the last play of the initial quarter going 90 yards.

Mohn replaced LeDoux, and he also failed to generate an attack which could catch up. Along the way, offensive tackles Don DeCort and Bob Johnson went out with injuries, and the ARMY team began to look like new faces of '69.

That is where things stood at midseason. On offense, check off one end, two tackles, a flanker and a quarterback. On defense, drop an end and a safety. And also toss in a two-year defensive back and the No. 2 quarterback. That's enough of a casualty list to bother a coach with lots of talent, something that Tom Cahill has yet to enjoy at West Point. *(Continued on page 49)*

Steve Fee leads ARMY's harriers to victory over Central Connecticut.

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MacArthur Memorial

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competitive examination for a West Point vacancy which would occur the following year in a Milwaukee, Wisconsin, congressional district. He won the appointment. Thus, we see him early in his career starting to create his own opportunities. After graduation in 1903, his assignments further matured him and trained him for his future. He served in the Philippines and as aide to his father who had been detailed as observer of the Russo-Japanese War, which was followed by nine months of travel with him in Eastern Asiatic Countries. All these experiences increased his knowledge of the world, especially in Asia, our Federal Government, and our Army.

In 1913, Douglas was on duty at Fort Leavenworth with Engineer Troops and was an instructor at the Army Service Schools. He was ordered to Washington and placed in charge of the State War and Navy Building.

In 1914, Europe was divided by war, and the United States was threatened. Steps were being taken to strengthen our military weaknesses. Mr. Newton Baker became Secretary of War, and he detailed Douglas as his Military Assistant in charge of the Bureau of Information of the War Department. Then the Secretary appointed him Press Censor and the link with the newspaper men who covered the War Department. Congress declared war on Germany in April 1917.

The Army General Staff had recommended against the use of the National Guard in the impending conflict. Douglas, perhaps recalling his father's success with citizen soldiers, saw the situation from a different point of view. He recommended to Mr. Baker that the maximum possible use be made of the National Guard. He went further, and recommended the formation of a special National Guard Division to be composed of guard units from all the states and suggested as appropriate the name of "Rainbow" for it. The Secretary of War and President Wilson quickly approved both recommendations. The Secretary of War thereupon commissioned Douglas a Colonel of Infantry in the emergency Army and assigned him as Chief of Staff of the new 42d, "Rainbow," Division.

Douglas was now in the line of the Army where he had always wanted to be, and he had opened wide the door to his future opportunities for tremendous services to his country.

We, who were observing his progress, now realized that he had moved into a much higher league than when he led in 1903 as a cadet. His brilliant record with the 42d Division in battles of World War I is history known to all of you. But what he did for West Point immediately after that war also seems relevant here today. So, if you will be patient for a couple of minutes more, this rough sketch of Douglas MacArthur's early service at West Point will be completed.

When he was informed by the Chief of Staff of his appointment as Superintendent, he was also told that the Academy was forty years behind the times and in dire need of a general overhaul. Douglas was then a temporary Brigadier General. On assuming command in June 1919, he found the institution in disorder. Moreover, a threat of complete abandonment of the Academy required immediate action. Influential members of Congress, in response to public clamor, could not see the need for a Federal Military Academy when "The War to End All Wars" had just been won. Douglas promptly went to Washington and conferred with the interested members of Congress, many of whom he knew personally. He made such a convincing argument for the retention of the Academy that all agitation for its abandonment ceased. If Thayer was the Father of West Point, surely Douglas MacArthur was its Savior.

The demand for officers with little training had caused the course to be reduced to one year during the war. There were no upper classmen to pass on the traditions of the Corps to the juniors. Morale was low, and the Honor Code almost had been forgotten. Douglas succeeded in having the four-year course re-established. He revitalized the Honor System by placing its administration under an Honor Committee of cadets.

A few of the other changes he made show how carefully and wisely he worked. He knew from his own experience in battle that in future wars all of the people of the nation would participate, few of whom would have any training for military duty. In order to bring the Academy and its graduates into closer contact with the outside civilian world with which they would have to deal, he had professors visit other universities to learn of their methods of instruction and contents of their courses. He sent instructors to other universities to obtain advanced degrees.

Douglas also knew that training officers in the seclusion of a monastery-like Academy, which in the past had been adequate for small regular armies, would not produce graduates competent to lead citizen soldiers. The old summer cadet encampment on the Plain was a part of the monastery system. Instead of the entertaining annual comedy presented in a setting of sentry boxes, tent floors, and gravelly sentry walks, he had the campsite cleared and levelled, and he had cadets assigned to Army commands for summer field maneuvers.

There was something else that Douglas felt had to be done. Physical fitness in the Army needed attention. He established intramural competition in all major sports here at the Academy. Every cadet had to participate. The program improved the physical condition of graduates, enabled them to train and coach their commands in the major sports and to spread the spirit of athletic competition throughout the Army. Looking back more than seventy years to our Plebe Year, the few remaining members of the Class of 1903 believe that Douglas MacArthur, who led our Class during all of his cadet days, performed here as Superintendent one of the most important services of his career. He saved West Point from abandonment; he forced the Academy out of isolation into the main stream of American life where it went on to attain its present high standing in education and athletics.

He was largely responsible for reviving the Academy's Code of "Duty, Honor, Country" in the hearts of its graduates. All of you know how devotedly he loved this Academy. We are proud to honor his memory here with you today for what he did here for his country and for West Point.

I thank you.

MAJOR GENERAL SAMUEL W. KOSTER'S WORDS OF ACCEPTANCE

It is with a mixture of great pride and deep humility that I accept the Douglas MacArthur Memorial on behalf of the United States Military Academy.

We cannot fail to recognize how fitting it is that this statue and these barracks, which have been named MacArthur Barracks and where the plaque was unveiled during the unveiling of the statue, stand here to commemorate a man whose life epitomized the West Point motto—Duty, Honor, Country.

General MacArthur knew the sacrifices of leadership. Many times he was required to reach further than man can reach, to bear the strain of decision, to accept the isolation of command, to undergo the rigors of living a moral code and personifying the spirit of dedication.

He became a great leader through an effort of will, through discipline, through training, and self-control. These are precepts upon which the Military Academy was founded, and they are the ones we continue to stress and teach. This monument, taking significance from the man who inspired it, reminds us of what he stood for and serves now and in the future as a symbol for all of us to follow.

Now, General MacArthur always was looking forward. He reminded us not to look backward. But as we face a changing world where our frontiers are abruptly expanded beyond this small earth and where men at times seem rather insignificant, we can do well to recall that the qualities of leadership have not changed and in fact the principles by which General Douglas MacArthur lived assume increased importance in coping with the problems of today and with the growth which we envisage for tomorrow.

Although this bronze figure and these stone barracks will never outlive the memory of the life and spirit of Douglas MacArthur, let them stand here prominently as a reminder of him, of the ideals of the Military Academy, of the United States, and of all free people who cherish the memory of this great leader.

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A double-regiment review by the Corps and a dinner with Mrs. MacArthur as the guest of honor completed the tribute to the West Pointer who earned a prominent place in United States history. "Old Soldiers Never Die," was the brief caption of one reporter summing up the heart-moving ceremonies. "General MacArthur Will Never Fade Away" was another that perhaps more appropriately recognized the fulfillment of the desire of the distinguished guests to provide General MacArthur a permanent place on the Plain he knew so well and near the Corps he contributed to throughout his life.

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General Lemnitzer

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that the paratroopers would be dropping into overwhelming enemy force. When the word was received at headquarters, a cancellation message was sent immediately to the 82d. On the off chance that the message might go astray, however, General Lemnitzer took off in a British Beaufighter to insure that the word was received. Landing, the plane was caught by a cross-wind and almost crashed, but General Lemnitzer's foresight proved to be a godsend: the message cancelling the operation had in fact not arrived, and most of the 82d was already airborne; only because of General Lemnitzer's arrival was the division recalled and a major disaster avoided.

There were other dramatic highlights in General Lemnitzer's activities as Deputy Chief of Staff and then Chief of Staff of the Allied forces in the Mediterranean, such as his entry into Switzerland, wearing civilian clothes, to manage discussions with German representatives for the unconditional surrender of the German forces in Italy and Southern Austria—discussions whose success made unnecessary any further lengthy combat which, while inevitably victorious, would nonetheless have been extremely bitter. For the most part, however, his duties demanded the thorough, painstaking, perceptive preparation of plans and coordination of operations. While less spectacular in nature, they called for a high order of tact and diplomacy; they called, too, for a man who would be aptly characterized by the President of the United States as "a work horse rather than a show horse." The citation for the DSM which General Lemnitzer won for his services in Italy stresses his impartiality and the effectiveness of the liaison he maintained with the Allied armies and the variety of partisan groups operating behind enemy lines. The emphasis on team effort and the full consideration for each member of the team without the least vestige of national or service parochialism had already become a Lemnitzer trademark.

After a short stint performing the additional duty of Chief of Staff to the Commanding General, U.S. Mediterranean Theater of Operations, General Lemnitzer was reassigned to the United States for service as the Senior Army Member of the Joint Strategic Survey Committee of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. After more than a year and a half in this position, he became the Deputy Commandant of the newly-created National War College. A principal lesson of the war was the importance of interservice cooperation; the National War College was designed to be a principal instrument for enhancing that cooperation; and the fact that General Lemnitzer had long been one of the most eloquent advocates of such cooperation made him a supremely logical choice for this post. He was to help influence the direction of this vital effort from August 1947 until October 1949 when his special talents and energies were required for still another major undertaking.

The European nations' heavy losses and complete suspension of industrial development during the war years had brought them near to destitution. A major step by the United States to help meet this crisis had been the adoption of the Marshall Plan. But some degree of military security is prerequisite to economic and political stability. The steady Soviet expansion westward underscored this requirement, and the Military Assistance Program was conceived to complement the Marshall Plan's economic program. General Lemnitzer, having won a solid reputation as an internationally-m i n d e d soldier-diplomat, was named to establish and direct this new activity. For almost a year (until October 1950), he pioneered in this unprecedented field of military activity. His duties now called for him to deal with the Congress, whose lasting respect he won by his detailed knowledge of the facts, his missionary belief in his objective and the soldierly forthrightness with which he put his case and responded to questions. During this period he also participated in the drafting of the North Atlantic Treaty and assisted General of the Army Omar N. Bradley in presenting the military aspects of the Treaty to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee during the ratification hearings.

With the Military Assistance Program well launched, General Lemnitzer could now return to more conventional assignments. It had been more than seven years since he had held a tactical command, so in November 1950 he entered jump school at Fort Benning, qualifying as a paratrooper at the age of fifty-one, and the following month assumed command of the 11th Airborne Division at Fort Campbell. After a year in this assignment, he was transferred to Korea and took command of the 7th Infantry Division.

During his Korean War service, from December 1951 to July 1952, General Lemnitzer led his division in the battles of Heartbreak Ridge, the Punch Bowl and Mundung-ni Valley and in the fighting in the Chorwon Valley. His conspicuous gallantry and fearless example earned him the Silver Star, and his overall performance as division commander won him his first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Service Medal. It is pertinent to note that the citation for this latter decoration mentions explicitly that he "skillfully promoted and coordinated effective action" and thereby "gained the cooperation and respect of all assigned United Nations troops. . . ."

Returning to the Pentagon, General Lemnitzer was appointed as the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Research, and promoted to lieutenant general. Under the organization of that time, this was one of only three three-star positions on the Army Staff. It was a period when the Army was not only deeply involved in Korea, but also was struggling to evolve a viable doctrine for nuclear operations. It was a period, also, when the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was just coming into being, and when the concepts of joint organization and integrated planning were little past the experimental stage. The fact that significant strides were taken toward working out the host of problems which resulted is due in no small measure to the clear insight and intellectual adaptability which General Lemnitzer once again displayed so conspicuously.

Thus it was fitting that in March 1955 he was advanced to four-star rank and appointed Commanding General of the US Army Forces, Far East and the Eighth United States Army. Three months later he became Commander-in-Chief of the Far East and United Nations Commands and Governor of the Ryukyu Islands. For the next two years he maintained the readiness of the UN forces in Korea and encouraged the continuing increase of effectiveness of the Republic of Korea armed forces and the Japanese Self-Defense Forces. He also showed tact and acumen in dealing effectively with the politically explosive "Girard Case," the first major instance of the application of status of forces agreements with a former enemy nation.

Having proved himself in a position of major independent command entailing important international implications, General Lemnitzer was reassigned to Washington to become the Army's Vice Chief of Staff in July 1957. He shortly became deeply involved in the Army's share of the initial activities regarding space, particularly in establishing the relationship between Army space research facilities and the National Aeronautics and Space Agency. If his solid technical foundation and interest proved of benefit here, so also did his long experience of international military cooperation come to the fore when he served as the U.S. Military Representative at the London and Karachi meetings of the Military Committee of the Baghdad Pact Organization (later renamed the Central Treaty Organization). These experiences, in combination with the close attention he gave to questions before the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the vast store of knowledge of the high level policy issues derived from his preceding assignments, admirably equipped General Lemnitzer for his new duties when, on 1 July 1959 he

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became Chief of Staff of the United States Army.

Although he was to serve in that assignment only fifteen months, his tour was marked by major achievements. His long-time interest in marksmanship was reflected in the direct support he gave to the Advanced Marksmanship Unit; among the results of this increased emphasis was the spectacular success of the Army's rifle and pistol competitors in the 1960 Camp Perry matches. Of more sweeping impact were the Lemnitzer-White agreements, which for the first time made practical and realistic provision for airlift to support contingency operations by strategic reserve forces. These agreements, in fact, laid the groundwork for the later development of the Strike Command, and made the Army's strategic reserves a force that could be promptly and effectively responsive to the requirements of United States foreign policy.

When General Lemnitzer became Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on 1 October 1960, one of the most prominent of the problems facing the United States was the confused situation in Laos. Hardly had it quieted down when the Bay of Pigs episode erupted. This brought noisy and irresponsible criticism of the Joint Chiefs as a whole and of their Chairman in particular. Suffice it to say, however, that even now the full story of those events has not been told. Although the Joint Chiefs could have said a great deal in their own behalf, their doing so would inevitably have prolonged a controversy which General Lemnitzer could see only as harmful to the national interest. As he stated to his colleagues at the time, "Brickbats are a hazard of our profession."

Contrasting with this one episode is an impressive list of achievements, several of lasting and fundamental importance, which were realized during General Lemnitzer's two years as JCS Chairman. Among these are his early recognition and warning of the rising problem in Vietnam; the establishment of the US Strike Command; the successful resolution of the 1961 Berlin Crisis (involving a substantial call-up of reserve component organizations); and the adoption of the Single Integrated Operations Plan (SIOP), which for the first time coordinated the strategic plans of all major commanders of all services. Along with these activities, General Lemnitzer served as Chairman of the NATO Military Committee in Chiefs of Staff Session. In the words of the citation for the second Oak Leaf Cluster to his Distinguished Service Medal, "In the nation's highest military office, he distinguished himself as a dynamic leader whose exceptional competence in strategy, diplomacy, and politico-military relations contributed significantly to the successful accomplishment of United States objectives of great national and international importance." The citation adds that "During a period of grave international tension, his sound judgment, breadth of vision, foresight, and strength of character have been of inestimable value to the President of the United States and to the Secretary of Defense."

Completing his tour as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Lemnitzer consented to stay on active duty instead of carrying out his plans to retire and, on 30 October 1962 he became Commander-in-Chief of the US European Command and was designated to become Supreme Allied Commander, Europe upon the retirement of General Lauris Norstad, which occurred on 31 December 1962.

This position, which he was to fill for the next six and one-half years, is probably one of the most demanding military assignments in the world, and certainly is of the utmost international importance. In it, General Lemnitzer applied the full measure of his incomparable experience of coalition military activities, his comprehensive abilities as a planner and his great qualities as a soldier. He brought about substantial improvements in the procedures for requesting and granting authority for the use of nuclear weapons. Through exercises and CPX's he hammered out smoother operational relationships between the national troop formations and his own international headquarters, and between the various echelons of NATO military and political organizations. He helped nurse the Allied Command Europe Mobile Force from a paper concept into a functioning, worthwhile organization. He tirelessly preached and scrupulously applied the principle of integration to all Allied planning and decision-making.

One of his greatest achievements during this period resulted from his role in reconciling the Greek and Turkish authorities, who were on the verge of hostilities over the Cyprus issue. The disastrous consequences to NATO from a war between two of its members hardly bear contemplating, and the prevention of any such development was clearly of enormous importance not only to the principals involved but also to the Alliance as a whole.

Perhaps the most widely noted of the crises which confronted General Lemnitzer as Supreme Allied Commander was the French withdrawal from active participation in NATO's military organization. The smoothness and punctuality with which the headquarters, installations, personnel and materiel of NATO forces were moved from France to other locations in NATO Europe and the efficiency with which the gaps in operational planning created by French withdrawal were filled were triumphs of effective operational and logistic planning. The success of this stupendous undertaking, without compromise to military security, clearly bears the marks of masterful planning and forceful, dynamic and imaginative leadership of the highest order.

General Lemnitzer's accomplishments in the culminating assignment of his career demonstrate the recurring phenomenon of history when a man and events are similarly suited to each other. His service as Supreme Allied Commander, Europe shows the application of years of experience and achievement. There are the qualities of character forged at the Military Academy; there is the sound scientific grounding which permitted the thorough grasp of the full implications of new technology; there is the utter lack of service parochialism; and there is the extension of this quality, on the international stage, into a breadth of view and an adaptability which insured maximum cooperation and effectiveness among highly disparate national elements.

Thus, it is not in any quantitative sense of its length or the number of key assignments it included that this remarkable career can be fully appreciated. Rather, it is in the quality of the man himself—the belief in ideals and the energy and dogged persistence to make them realities, the open-minded objectivity, the thoroughness of preparation and the diligence in execution. President Nixon's statement that "There is probably no man who is more respected by all the services for his professional capacity," was suitably matched in the citation for the Distinguished Service Medals of all three services, which called General Lemnitzer "a truly outstanding officer of international status," concluding with the assertion that "A grateful nation recognizes that General Lemnitzer's long and distinguished career continues the finest traditions of the military service. . . ."

General Lemnitzer, who has served his country with unfaltering dedication and outstanding skill for more than half a century, could ask no higher tribute.

General Abrams

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cover of *Time Magazine*, again gained recognition in a feature on "The Growing U.S. Army." The article covered the Army's worldwide role but centered on Abrams, the Commanding General of the 3d Armored Division in Germany during the Berlin Crisis, as the outstanding example—honing a combat-ready unit. In complimentary terms the article noted that General Abrams had also become "a fine staff officer" who "served with distinction as Chief of Staff of three successive Corps in Korea" and in the Pentagon with reserve components.

"If there's going to be trouble," Abrams told *Time*, "I prefer to be right here and right in this division. This is the job I want." Where trouble has been, General Abrams has always semed to be, whether it be combat action, domestic disturbance, or otherwise.

After returning to Germany to command the V U.S. Corps, General Abrams in 1964 was appointed Vice Chief of Staff. About three years later he was sent to the trouble area of Vietnam as Deputy Commander of the Military Assistance Command, earmarked to succeed General William C. Westmoreland. His service there has gained international recognition.

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Success in a career may be measured in many ways. To people prominent in the news, a column in *Current Biography* indicates success to a high degree. It is noteworthy that *Current Biography* 1968 devotes three pages to the colorful and legendary story of Creighton W. Abrams Jr. Within the article a quotation from the *Christian Science Monitor* captures the feeling and the well-deserved respect for an Illustrious Graduate: "If peace talks succeed, General Abrams will be the man who trained and equipped the army of South Vietnam so that country can defend itself and release American troops to return home. If the talks fail, (the President) will have one of the toughest Army commanders in the field."

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Colonel Broshous

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Russ Broshous was asked, "Can it be done?"

"Anything can be done," was his reply. "How well?" was the only question. And Broshous was given the duty of supervising the preparation.

To compensate for the swampy and marshy land in the practice landing areas and to expedite planning, Broshous and his staff developed "Sausage Camps," placing big, long sausage strips for camps along a series of parallel roads—vertical to the beach and alternating one way. With air superiority assured, the troops could make a normal landing and park vehicles along the sides of the roads.

In about a month, 26 December 1943, the first practice landing took place, and the plan worked so well that there was a major practice landing once a month, and the facilities also served during the invasion to augment permanent ones.

Concurrently, Broshous helped construct airfields and accepted and stored gliders for the airborne troops, developed procedures for marshaling and loading troops. He worked with his staff to develop a scheduling and locating system so that Generals Eisenhower or Bradley could call for any type of unit and be certain of prompt reaction.

Russ Broshous then turned to memories of his boyhood when he and his father watched the Missouri Pacific Railroad's crack fast freight train, "The Red Ball," roar through Atchison en route from Omaha to Kansas City with perishables. The famous "Red Ball" System for Army truck transportation was born.

The magnitude of the problems he helped solve may be measured by the ration strength—"nine less than a million the day before the invasion." Or it may be expressed in the spaces for 250,000 troops in "wired pens" guarded and locked and completely cut off from outside contact where maps and plans were delivered to invasion forces.

Perhaps the story that Russ Broshous enjoys telling about himself best describes the size of the job. Just prior to the invasion, Colonel Broshous received a call from the Finance Officer to pay the troops in script. Broshous, told to hold the script, replied "Put it in my office, and we'll have guards on it." Thinking in terms of several boxes, Broshous received fifty-two truck loads of money.

With the invasion going along well, Colonel Broshous became Chief of Staff of the Advance Section supporting the First and Third Armies. Bunched up and closed-in on Normandy, the fear of a gas attack was remedied by General George S. Patton Jr. when he broke through and stretched the lines of communication from the beaches almost across France. "Give us gasoline, and we'll forage for food," was the well known position of General Patton.

Pipelines were built as rapidly as possible, but there still was not enough gasoline. Then, Russ Broshous' "Red Ball" again came into being with one highway forward and one return, and with camps set up to feed troops a good driving distance apart so that troops and supplies could leap frog from camp to camp. The "Red Ball Highway" remained the crux of the supply system until the Armistice.

In five campaigns in Europe Russ Broshous' contributions were numerous and varied. "While in Belgium we found that we had more casualties driving without lights at night than we did driving with them on," he recalled. "From there on we drove with lights."

He speaks with pride of the accomplishments of the Advance Section. The German Ardennes Offensive provides one example. "We received a call from Paris requiring that the 101st Airborne Division be assembled and within ten hours set up a defensive position at Bastogne. There were a maze of calls dispatching trucks, coordinating pickups and moves, and as far as I know everything worked as planned."

In a different area, as Deputy Chief of Staff and Chief of the Control Division in Paris under Generals Lee and Larkin, Colonel Broshous, in February 1945 was told to "double check and determine when the war will end." Surplus supplies and equipment, of course, would have to be shipped back—"a drug on the market," in Broshous' terms. "The combined estimate came within four days of the actual end of the war."

In Paris he also planned for the deployment of troops once the war was over, keying the concept to high point men remaining in Europe with low point men sent to the United States for a short rest, then to join General MacArthur's forces. With the plan complete Brigadier General George A. Lincoln, Class of 1929, visited after Potsdam and mentioned a surprise in August and suggested that the high point plan might have to be turned around. Forewarned, Broshous swung the circle and completely changed the plan.

After three and one-half years in Europe, Russ Broshous spent three months in the Pentagon's Control Division then returned to West Point. First, as Head of the Engineer Detachment, 1802d Regiment, he developed Engineering instruction, then as Assistant Director of Athletics he lent his talents to completing the golf course.

In the spring of 1948, he was selected Professor of Military Topography and Graphics, and when General Schick retired, he also became a member of the Planning Board in time to finish the USMA Library. In 1962, General William C. Westmoreland, the Superintendent, directed that previous planning for expansion be reviewed to determine a feasible and desirable plan. Russ Broshous felt strongly that the best solution was to move the Washington-Hall complex out toward the Plain and maintain the West Point scene and Corps unity. Firmness of purpose coupled with diplomacy carried the day with the resulting Washington-Hall Complex being approved and Russ assigned the duty as the Expansion Planner. His success in this area is visible on the Plain today.

For an officer who spent twenty-six of his thirty-six years of commissioned service at West Point and currently is both a Department Head and Chief of the Expansion Planning and Control, his views of West Point today are noteworthy. He speaks glowingly of today's cadet—"much better academically prepared, much smarter, knows more about what's going on in the outside world, better developed physically, allowed to take more responsibility, still maintains a high standard of integrity and honor, a tremendous young man all the way." He reflects, "I always tell my instructors that this is the greatest group of young men you can assemble. If they go wrong, it is our fault."

On today's curriculum he sums it up with one pertinent comment: "As an instructor in the Department of Engineering in 1937, I taught vector analysis to First Classmen. In Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences, we now teach it to Plebes. We are pushing forward in knowledge."

On one of his favorite topics, football, he stresses that at the Academy, academic standards for a cadet in general, not only the athlete, have increased greatly. The Academy treats the athlete just like anyone else.

"Football in general is now more a game of technique rather than brute strength. In my day we used power more than we do today."

It is fitting that Colonel Russ Broshous from cadet days has resorted to technique rather than to brute strength. There is no question that the success of the Military Academy's facilities expansion program reflects the effectiveness of his analytical approach to arrive at unique solutions. In essence, however, his latest contribution to the Army and his Alma Mater could have been anticipated when he willingly lent his talents to the program seven years ago.

In February 1963, General of the Army Douglas MacArthur in a letter to the

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former Superintendent, General William C. Westmoreland, concerning the expansion of the Corps and the Academy's facilities, wrote in part: "Of all military expenditures the maintenance of an adequate Officer Corps is the most imperative. If everything else had to go, this should be retained. As West Point is its basis, its maintenance and necessary growth represent the maximum return for the security dollars."—a thought that Colonel Russ Broshous fully shares.

Science Research Lab

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Financial support for individual projects will be sought from the Army Research Office, the National Science Foundation, NASA, and similar agencies which support university research.

The Science Research Laboratory will be staffed by officers assigned to some of the full time research positions now authorized within the Academy faculty. Some positions will be filled by officers who take time off from teaching to do research, while others will be filled by officers assigned to USMA for three-year tours as research scientists.

The Director of the new laboratory, Lieutenant Colonel William B. Streett (USMA '55), was recently appointed to the position of Permanent Associate Professor, Office of the Dean. He earned a Master of Science Degree in 1961 and a Ph.D. in 1963, in Mechanical Engineering, at the University of Michigan. His past assignments have included duty with Armor and Ordnance units in Germany, 1956-59, and as Assistant Chief of the Operations Division, Watervliet Arsenal, from January to July 1967. In 1961-62 and 1963-65 he served as Instructor and Assistant Professor of Astronomy in the Department of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences. During this period, with support from the Army Research Office-Durham, he continued the research in low temperature chemistry which he had begun as a doctoral thesis at the University of Michigan. In 1964, working together with Captain C. H. Jones, Department of Chemistry, he carried out experimental studies of liquid mixtures of neon and hydrogen, which have been instrumental in the development at Brookhaven National Laboratory of a new type bubble chamber —a device used to detect elementary particles in high energy physics research. The success of these early research efforts led to the award of a NATO Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Science in 1965, enabling him to spend the following year as a research fellow in chemistry at Oxford University. He was reassigned to the United States Military Academy in July 1967, as Associate Professor for Research, Office of the Dean. During the past two years he has devoted most of his time to research, while teaching part time in the Department of Chemistry. During the summer of 1968 he served as a consultant at the Sandia Laboratories, Sandia Base, New Mexico.

Lieutenant Colonel Streett is the author of numerous scientific papers in the fields of low temperature chemistry and physics, and was the recipient, in 1968, of an award from the Cryogenic Engineering Conference of the National Research Council, for outstanding research in cryogenic (low temperature) engineering. He is a fellow of the American Institute of Chemists, and a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Faraday Society, and the International Institute of Refrigeration. He is listed in *American Men of Science, Who's Who in the East,* and the *Dictionary of International Biography.*

Also working full time in the Science Research Laboratory during the current academic year is Major James L. E. Hill of the Department of Chemistry. Major Hill, who holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry from West Virginia State College and a Master of Science Degree in Chemistry from Pennsylvania State University, completed his third year of teaching in the Academy's Chemistry Department in June 1969, and has been extended for a year of full time research. He is the co-author, with Lieutenant Colonel Streett, of several scientific papers resulting from joint research during the past year. Lieutenant Colonel George W. Chancellor of the Department of Chemistry and Lieutenant Colonel Arthur L. Erickson of the Department of Earth, Space and Graphic Sciences, are also engaged in part time research in the laboratory. Two cadets of the Class of 1970—John Lazzeri and Robert Cousar—are doing research in the laboratory, under the supervision of Lieutenant Colonel Streett and Major Hill, through a special elective in chemistry research.

The Science Research Laboratory is presently located in the Moore Wing of Bartlett Hall; however, upon completion of the new academic building, it will occupy further space in Bartlett Hall and in the present Ordnance Laboratory below Trophy Point.

Current research projects in the laboratory are supported by grants totaling more than $50,000 from the U.S. Army Research Office Durham, and the Atomic Energy Commission. These projects are in the fields of low temperature chemistry and physics, and include experimental studies of liquids and gases at temperatures as low as −400°F, and pressures up to 60,000 pounds per square inch. The AEC-supported research consists of experimental studies of liquid mixtures of neon and hydrogen. This work, which is being done by Lieutenant Colonel Streett and Lieutenant Colonel Chancellor, is a continuation of the earlier research, previously mentioned, which supports further development of the new bubble chamber.

Experimental studies of mixtures of light gases, at high pressures, supported by the Army Research Office, are designed to provide a better understanding of the structure of dense fluids and the nature of the forces between molecules. Experiments now being carried out by Lieutenant Colonel Streett and Major Hill are exploring new territory in the behavior of fluid mixtures, at pressures far beyond those previously reached in similar experiments. An important practical use of these studies, which has come to light in recent months, is their application to the problem of determining the deep atmosphere structures of the outer planets (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune). These planets are composed mainly of light gases, and experimental studies of mixtures of these gases at high pressures, now being done at USMA, are providing new insights into planetary structures. Results obtained thus far have led to new ideas about the deep atmosphere structures of Jupiter and Saturn, and about the nature of the prominent feature on Jupiter's visible surface, known as the Great Red Spot. These ideas were put forward by Lieutenant Colonel Streett in a paper presented at a conference on planetary atmospheres, sponsored by Kitt Peak National Observatory, in April of this year. (The paper was published in the September issue of the *Journal of The Atmospheric Sciences.*)

Financial support is now being sought for further experiments on gas mixtures of specific interest in planetary physics, and plans are being made to extend the pressure range of these studies to 200,000 pounds per square inch. These experiments will give the Military Academy an important role in laboratory research devoted to the outer planets, at a time when increasing attention is focused on these bodies in anticipation of the first unmanned exploration in the 1970's.

Several advantages will accrue to the Academy as a result of the research activities of the Science Research Laboratory. First, the conduct of original research will be a stimulant to further discussion and exchange of information between faculty members, and will add a new dimension to classroom instruction. Second, the existence of long term research projects, under continuing faculty guidance, will provide opportunities for cadet participation through meaningful and properly supervised research projects, taken as elective courses in their regular programs of study. Finally, active participation in scientific conferences and publication of papers in scientific journals, by USMA faculty members, will help to develop, among scientists and educators elsewhere, an image of USMA as a progressive member of the academic community, contributing its share to man's store of new knowledge.

Fourth Generation Pro

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of a razor-edged, fighting, junior officer: "Two machine gunners opened up. We should have killed them. But our battalion

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CO wanted some prisoners, so we circled around and went in and. . . ."

Then, constantly bugged by a subconscious responsibility to his heritage, after several fights in just a few days: "I've finally been accepted by my men. It was this way. We were suddenly ordered to go to the aid of some isolated guys who had been ambushed about two miles away. Boy, the going was terrible. Fighting all the way, we. . . ."

His platoon moves to another area: "I've lost my corpsman, a wonderful boy—my age, Mom. I was going to help him get back into college. Last night he got wounded and later died. But when wounded, he went to the aid of one of my men crying out in the bush. . . ."

He rescues another ambushed flank platoon: "When we got there my point and I ran right into about eight of these half-crazed, hopped-up enemy sappers. They wear no clothes. Only G-strings. The place was awful. I was almost sick. But we had to take action fast, and started firing at them point blank, and. . . ."

His platoon is pulled back to catch its breath: "How do you like my big red moustache? It's like the pictures of Dad's RAF kind isn't it? It makes me look older, but I feel young—sometimes."

A period in Happy Valley (so called because men are so happy to leave it) follows: "Last night my second squad was hit hard, and my best squad leader slightly wounded in the fight. He's steamed up because his wife will be in Oahu next week to meet him for his R and R leave. He'll make it. Gosh, I wonder how it is to be married. I guess I'll find out sometime. But not now."

Still later, in the same area: "This time we were out for five days in monsoon rains, with no support. The rain was as heavy, Mom, as when you and I went to that Buckingham Palace garden party, while Dad was on a trip to India. Only this never let up. Had about five meals the whole time. But we did what we were sent out for, fought a lot and I didn't lose a man. We were finally evacuated. . . ."

Given an area alongside a river, he is assigned an amphibious boat: "The Colonel came striding up and said, 'Son, I want to make a reconnaissance in your boat.' Well, there he was, standing in the bow like Washington crossing the Delaware. 'Colonel,' I said, 'You better get down. With that insignia flashing you'll draw fire.' And he said, 'Before you were born, when we hit the beach at . . .' and ZAP. He dived to the deck and ripped off his eagles like they were red hot. He reminded me of you, Dad."

He moves to hold a critical hill: "I wish I'd studied harder in college. All I wanted to do was hike from Munich to the Arctic Circle, have fun on the Left Bank and surf at Laguna. I don't know how I'd fit in college now. The students back home seem so stupid and selfish. We don't talk about them much here. I think they're mostly afraid that if they get called up they can't take it. I've seen rabid guys in college who, when they got into ranks and saw they could hack it, carried their heads high and forgot this nonsense about running down the country. I've got a few college guys in the platoon, good guys, too."

Still later: "I've written a few thoughts I have on this stuff of war. Most folks don't understand it back home, but my men would. It certainly isn't Rupert Brooke, though:

> Sometimes one can see the ocean, the sky, the mountains and even beyond.
> Sometimes one can see the bush that shields him, oh so slightly from unseen perils.
> Sometimes one sees the memories, too, that he carries of his family, friends and the days when life was a wake-up and the only thing you feared was a flat tire.
> Sometimes one can see the problems that surround this world of ours. Then you simply smile and shake your head.
> Sometimes one can see the face of a buddy who's given everything he had, and saddened the hearts of those who love him. But as life has it, the world doesn't stop. And don't you wish it would—just once?
> Sometimes one sees tears trailing down the prematurely aged and weathered faces of his companions; and sometimes they're your own,
> But sometimes one can see beyond these sad, unrelenting times and realize what it's all about, and breathe a little deeper, and stick his chest out a little bit farther and walk with pride—a pride that comes from knowing this isn't in vain."

After an exceptionally hard fight, claiming some of his better men: "I try to remember to commend my troops. I know that some of the services give Bronze Stars for just surviving out here. We don't. I've seen my men do incredibly brave things that we Marines regard as common-place. Of course, sometimes I have to persuade a little, but the sergeants handle it. There aren't enough medals in the book for my guys."

Pulled back near the coast, a village is contained in his area: "I've got a negro corporal made of iron. We captured two gooks we thought were VC, but they clammed up. He grabbed each by the neck and slammed their heads together, and they started babbling all over the place. We later learned they were prize catches."

In the following letter: "My men are terrific. We're all about the same age. They're tough, uncouth, team-playing killers, but when necessary, gentle as lambs. They remind me of the airmen who taught me to box when I was a little kid, and we were stationed at Langley. They're loyal among themselves and to me and will go, and frequently do go, to hell for each other. Thank God we were trained as Marines. This stuff is second nature to us. I love every damn one of them. And, by God, my platoon has a higher kill-rate and has lost less men than two of the companies in the regiment. We've been through some bad stuff too. I won't let them ever forget the fundamentals, *ever*. When you get careless out here, you're dead. Period."

He moves northward toward the DMZ: "You should see my radioman. Nothing bugs him. We were in a bad fight and he drawled, 'Hey, lieutenant, put on your damn helmet. Some gook will nail you. By the way, the radio's shot out.' And, Jeez, the radio's the only contact we have from here to the Hereafter. I've put him up for a Bronze Star. He's from Dad's home town and promises to call on Aunt Gladys and Uncle Arch."

He moves back on sweeps around Da Nang: "I hear I'm being pulled out. I hate to leave my men. They're all I've got. But this thing is getting to me. I'm jumpy, and after my first fight, months ago, I never got riled up much until lately. We lieutenants are expendable, and I guess the staff feels my rabbit's foot is worn out. Anyway, I've been with them a long time, and I hear most of my friends who came out here when I did are all dead or invalided out—except Corky and Bob. I guess I'm lucky. But sometimes I have some trouble sleeping, and I'm cross with the men. That's bad."

His time commanding a combat platoon draws near its end: "Well, I'm going out of the bush to some headquarters to stick pins in a map, I guess. I get impatient with the natives. The women run all the villes. The men are in a daze like they're on grass. But they've been at war for twenty years. Who wouldn't be? If we pulled out, there would be wholesale slaughter by the VC and NVA. We know it here. Don't you know it back home? How, for God's sake, can a politician have the guts to shout, 'Pull out, now,' and not have blood on his head? And when you think about guys tearing down campuses and lying around a pad and smoking pot where you are and not . . ."

The aircraft rolls up, its door opens and finally a blonde head sticks out the doorwell. It's been a long thirteen months, indeed.

The uniform fits loosely. In place of gold bars there are silver ones; and on the left breast two rows of ribbons—good ribbons. He walks with the relaxed grace of a man who can pick his way through a mine field or down St. James's Street. In one hand he again carries a ridiculous little bag and in the other another tightly rolled baton of papers ordering him to a new Stateside station, and something else—a lei he picked up coming through Hawaii, to loop around his mother's neck. His nose is sunburned, his lips cracked and his cheek bones a little accentuated.

"Well, Mom, Dad, here I am—a year older."

"God bless you, son."

And then, the embraces. And in these embraces are all the prayers for the

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families of those who have not, nor will, come home.

Someone has said, "Show me an Infantryman's eyes, and I'll tell you how much war he's seen."

Only his eyes are different: Very different. It's not the yellow cast from atabrine. It's something else. These are the eyes of a pro—a fourth generation pro. And to a fellow pro, there's nothing lost in translation.

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General Rogers

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of the Class of 1970, after thoroughly reviewing the objective of New Cadet Barracks, shared the opinion that the basic tenants of the Fourth Class System should include: treatment of a new cadet with no less respect than that shown by an officer toward an enlisted man; a new cadet is motivated towards his cadetship, or he would not be here; the detail's job (New Cadet Barracks) is to train, educate, encourage, support, and develop the talents of each individual new cadet. The side benefits in practical leadership training for the upper-classmen are obvious.

Although the reaction of the majority of officers and cadets to the new philosophy is favorable, it may perhaps be too soon to weigh fully the total value of the changes instituted. It is reassuring, however, to recognize that they bear the mark of a combat Infantryman and Rhodes Scholar who was a highly successful company, battalion, battle group, and assistant division commander and who served in key Army and joint staff positions overseas and in the United States.

The Association of Graduates extends congratulations and best wishes to Major General Bernard W. Rogers, Commanding General of the 5th Infantry Division (Mech) and Fort Carson, Colorado—who for two years contributed his diversified talents to the Corps.

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Down The Field

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There are about 40 days left in the season. And there are five games left on the schedule.

Things were a little better in the area of the other three varsity teams, although they all were confronted with late season challenges.

The 150-pound footballers dropped their opener to Cornell, 24 to 14, and thus had to stage a real comeback to win the title. They rebounded against Penn and then nipped Princeton, 14-12, on the basis of making the extra points while the Tigers missed theirs. Captain Jim Lovelace supplies the scoring punch from halfback. But the memory of the Navy domination in the odd year against ARMY's in the even year makes the November 14 finale with Navy at Annapolis the big one of the year.

Injuries again hound the cross country team. Captain Jim Kee has yet to repeat his 1968 performances although he has been running almost every week. Steve Fee, a yearling from Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, won the first four meets then came up with an injury. So Nick Sebastian, a veteran from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, stepped in to lead the harriers. They had four wins and two losses, wins over Fairleigh Dickinson, Central Connecticut, St. John's, and Syracuse against losses to Manhattan and NYU. With three to go, including Navy at Navy, and the big meets like the Heptagonals, IC4A, and NCAA, all at New York's Van Cortlandt Park, the Cadets will need Kee, Fee, and Sebastian in top shape.

Soccer is making a run for the NCAA tourney for the seventh straight year, an almost unheard of effort. The Fleumer brothers, Matt and Al, along with lacrosse all-America Pete Cramblet, came through for wins over Merchant Marine, Colgate, Penn State, and Rutgers but couldn't do it against Yale and NYU. That last loss may have closed the gate on the NCAA meet, but there were still seven games left. ARMY meets all of the service academies this fall with Air Force, Navy, and Coast Guard yet to play. Air Force is at home, Navy there. And standing in the wings is Brown, the team which cut short the NCAA bid last fall.

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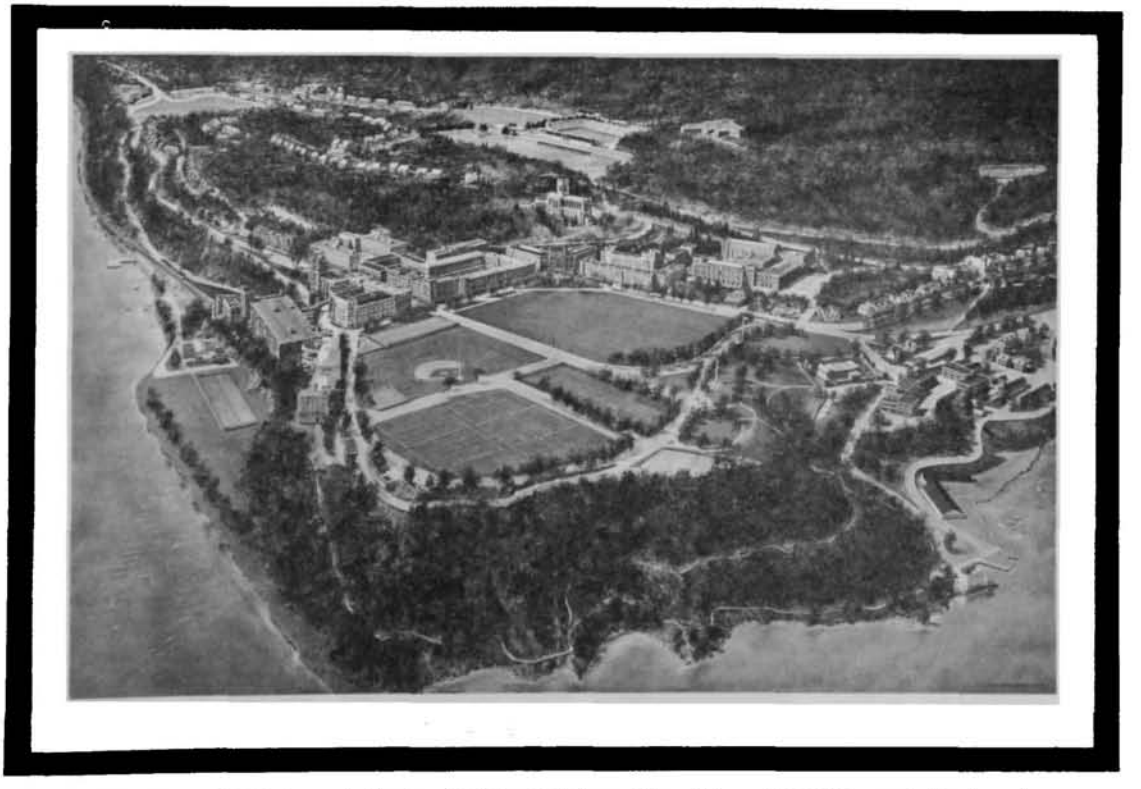

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REPORT ... from the classes

'03

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John **Franklin** writes he is feeling his age "more and more." He is only 90 and says he can't believe he is that old and continues to work in his garden. Clifford **Jones** is in good health and is rejoicing over the recent return of his son LTC Clifford **Jones** Jr. from duty in Vietnam. He expects to spend the winter in Miami, Fla. He will be 90 in Nov.

Albert **Gilmor** writes he is at the point where his old friends greet him with "You are looking fine," but his physical and social circulations are not such as to enable him to report any printable news. Indirectly we hear that Marion **Howze** is well and still that gay bachelor.

Clark **Lynn** writes COL Clark Lyn Jr. (Ret) and family have been visiting them and have invited them to Okla., but they had to decline. Clark will celebrate his 92d birthday anniversary in Nov. Hazel is not well.

Lewis **Turtle** writes he gets tired easily, but who doesn't? Maida and he are planning to attend the dedication of a statue of MacArthur at Texas Military Institute in San Antonio on 15 Sept. The Institute is the successor to Texas Military Academy from which **MacArthur** graduated in 1897.

Puss **Farnum** still has some locomotion problems. Florence is in excellent health. Puss, by the way, is the youngest surviving member of 1903.

'07

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Enrique **White** sent the following telegram to Astronaut Michael **Collins** '52 before the blast off of Apollo 11 – "The members of your Father's Class of 1907 West Point send their high regard and best wishes." The Class sent the following telegram on the return of Apollo 11 – "Mrs. James L. **Collins**, Houston. The West Point Class of 1907 extends its heartiest congratulations to you and to Michael on the moon landing–man's greatest achievement since time began." Virginia wrote a note of appreciation. She was with her daughter Virginia and family for the launching of Apollo 11. After the splash down she went to Houston to greet Michael. She had to speak to him through glass and said he was in excellent health and spirits. Michael's home address is 18503 Barbuda Lane, Houston, Tex. 77058. Drop him a line. Two of the three astronauts on the epoch-making journey are West Pointers–makes you feel proud.

The **Wood** family had a reunion at Ft. Smith, Ark. They are a close knit group.

Our Association membership of 19,790 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

They assemble once a year. Fox, Oliver's older brother, sent greetings to 1907. He has joined us at lunch here from time to time. He is still active in the business world. Not bad for 89!

Enrique **White** was joined by his son, Charles Jr. '34, and they went to Cape Cod to visit relatives and friends. For 10 generations after the arrival of the "Mayflower" the **Whites** remained in the vicinity of their original home. Enrique and brother entered the Army. There is no place like home, and it is wonderful to continue to go there year after year.

Anne **Marley**, Jim's widow, was made Poet Laureate of Tex. by the 61st Tex. Legislature. She said "It was a complete surprise. I never expected the great honor." Anne is an accomplished pianist and violinist. She played first violin in the Washington Orchestral Society for 9 years. She wrote the music and lyrics to "Panama City Under the Stars" and "Supplication," both won prizes, and her lyric "Slumber Shore," won first prize in the Poetry Society of Tex. Contest for 1953. Her "Heart Acres and other Poems" was published in 1958. She has another volume "Wings" ready for publication. She is a member of the DAR and many other societies. Congratulations and good Wishes Anne from Jim's classmates. Her address is Mrs. James **Marley**, 504 B. Billeme Place, Austin, Tex. 78709.

1907: Charlie Wyman, horticulturist.

Cal **Stedman** would have been 87 on 4 Aug. A Class birthday card sent to him was returned by the PO Dept. marked "Deceased." Cal's difficulty at West Point was a matter of priorities. His first for the evening was a letter to his girl. He learned too late it should have been his books. He was an ardent West Pointer, attending all of the reunions. One year he joined us here in Washington at our monthly luncheon. He was a delightful character, a real friend. We shall miss him. Enrique **White** sent the usual check to the AOG in memory of Cal. A letter of sympathy from the Class was sent to his nearest relative.

Eddie **Householder** has closed out The American Security Union. We hope that means he is slowing down. He has been super active. He seldom sleeps in the daytime and does not take pills or vitamins. He was retired in 1945 for a heart condition!

We hear from Don **MacLachlan** every year. He finds house and lot too much work for him and Mildred. They are looking for an apartment. Their son, Bill '50, is a LTC in the USAF on duty with the ROTC at the U. at Salt Lake City. Jesse **Drain** slips down to S.C. from time to time. He keeps in close touch with his children and grand-children.

Arthur and Nan **Lane** went to the Canadian Rockies and thence to Vancouver, B.C. From there they took the Inland Passage to Skagway and return. Next to San Francisco where they visited a granddaughter. The last stop was Las Cruces, N.Mex. to visit their daughter and her family.

As noted in the last ASSEMBLY Inge **Hayden** came down from New York and entertained the local group. Dan'l **Boone** joined us from Stamford. Inge was in high good spirits. He seemed to be in excellent health. Four months later he made his exit from this world. A great shock to those of us who had enjoyed his hospitality in Apr. He was buried at West Point. He always added happiness and good cheer to any group he joined. The Class could ill afford his loss. A letter of sympathy was sent by the Class to his widow Valerie and other members of his family. Enrique **White** sent the customary Class check to the AOG in memory of Inge.

Jim **Laubach** wrote from Oslo that he and his daughter toured the Scandanavian countries. He was impressed with the great number of tourists everywhere, American and others. Affluence is spreading.

Some of the summer days in Washington reminded one of Kipling's "Only a mad dog and an Englishman would go out in the mid-day sun."

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'08

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Owen ("Med") Meredith writes from Pebble Beach, Calif., that he is well enough to answer my letter but not enough to report any newsworthy activity on his part. He says that he is alone most of the time. One of his sons is in Cleveland and the other is in San Francisco.

When George **Goethals** was called on the phone recently he was reported to be "getting along very well," but he was unable to answer the telephone. He can't write either, so it appears impossible to communicate with him directly, except by going to Watertown, Mass., in person.

E.S. ("P.D.") **Miller** has written a fine letter in which he deplores the unfavorable news he had received concerning the health of several of our classmates. He is mindful, he says, of Chaney's admonition to cheer up, things could be worse. So he cheers up and, sure enough, things do get worse. He complimented the four classmates who attended our 60th Reunion upon their appearance in the photographs in ASSEMBLY. Just wait until he sees their pictures after our 65th Reunion.

Jimmie **Burns** is better than he has been for several years. He doesn't go out much, but he carries on lively and entertaining conversations on the telephone.

'10

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Two stalwarts of 1910 have joined the Long Gray Line – MG Donald H. **Connolly** and MG Emil F. **Reinhardt.**

Don chose Gibson Island, Md., as his retirement home. Leaving the Army in 1948 he served with distinction as Head of the Dept. of Aviation of the city of Baltimore, Md., until 1956. In recent years Don had not been in the best of health and while undergoing treatment in the hospital at Ft. Meade, Md., suffered a fatal heart attack on Wednesday, 18 June 1969. Graveside services were held on Monday, 23 June at the Arlington National Cemetery, and Don was buried beside his wife who had died several years ago. Surviving are his 2 sons and their families—COL Donald H. Connolly Jr., Army Air Defense, Colorado Springs, Colo., and LTC Thomas W. Connolly, USA Ret.

Ducky retired in 1946 and then became one of the leading citizens of San Antonio, Tex. He enjoyed a very interesting retired life there—Classmates Guy **Chipman** and Jack **Heard** were his boon companions—maintenance of personal contact with members of his old WW II Div., the 69th, was always a great inspiration to him—he loved to travel and especially the long visits with his daughter Ann and her family in Canada. A severe stroke several months ago was more than Ducky was ever able to fully overcome, and he quietly passed away on Fri., 25 July 1969. Services were held at the Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery on Monday, 28 July, and he was buried beside his wife who died a number of years ago. Surviving are his daughter Ann and family. (Mrs. William G. Stevenson, 369 Ventura Crescent, North Vancouver, B.C., Canada.)

Olive and D.S. **Wilson** spent their usual summer vacation last Aug. at Ocean City, Md. They enjoy the seashore very much, and it does them both a world of good. Bob **Dunlop** had a break in the hot summer weather in Washington by arranging a two-week vacation at the Hotel Chamberlain, Old Point Comfort, Va.

Carey **Brown** spent a week in Washington about the first of Sept. seeing relatives and friends in the area. Carey particularly timed his Washington trip so as to have a visit with one of his granddaughters from the Virgin Islands who was en route to college in the United States.

Sam **Edelman** reported that he went to the hospital last summer to have a small surgical job taken care of so as to be all set for our 60th Reunion at West Point in 1970. That's a date, Sam. A cheery card received from Hortense **Chapman** of Williamsburg, Va., reporting all's well with her large family and sending best wishes to all 1910ers.

Ella and Jack had a splendid time last summer at their country home—Silver Lake, N.H.—with so many of their younger generations coming up for short vacations in the cool mountain air.

After reading these Notes, it will be time to start writing your Xmas Cards for the 1969-1970 Holidays to the other 1910ers.

'11

Brig. Gen. Harold F. Nichols
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Ross **Batson,** on 31 Aug. told of the devastation at his place, 40 miles northwest of Gulfport, caused by Hurricane Camille, which hit the **Batsons** the night of 17 Aug. His loss included one-half million board feet of timber and great damage to all buildings. The main dwelling, and he and Getty, were saved by protective measures which included alternately opening and closing both sides of the house throughout the night. Following the disaster, they were able to pump fresh water on the 22d, replacing an emergency supply of rainwater, clear a passage to the front gate on the 23d, get their cars out on the 24th and 26th, and have power restored by the 27th. Telephones were still out on the 31st, the 15th day. His letter must be read for one to appreciate the unbelievable power of a great hurricane. Sincerely, we salute two of 1911's stalwarts and wish them God-speed in the restoration of their lovely home.

The **Bradfords** spent last Aug. at the Farragut Hotel at Rye Beach, N.H., and during the same period Marguerite and Bill **Morris** dodged Washington heat by summering at Spring Lake, N.J. In early Aug. Margaret **Crawford** came west for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Gordon, at Woodland, west of Sacramento, planning to return to Ala. about 1 Sept. Jimmie did not make the trip as he was expecting a call to Walter Reed for a new hearing aid.

Maud Ellen **Foster** went to Kittery, Me., to escape the annual summer invasion of Hell's Angels and related gangs in the Lake Winnipesaukee region at Laconia, N.H. She says that in Kittery no cyclist is allowed to make any noise! Katherine **McKinney** sent a cheery note from Distaff Hall where she enjoys the social activities. And Katherine **Estes** spent a weekend in Aug. at the Chamberlin Hotel at Ft. Monroe, and then made a trip to Scott AFB near St. Louis to attend the retirement ceremony for her four-star brother, Howell M. Estes Jr.

In late Aug., Helen **Shekerjian** gave a luncheon at the Fancesca Club in San Francisco honoring Mrs. Matthew J. Gunner of Washington. Among other guests were Mrs. Edwin H. Marks of Berkeley and Mrs. Harold F. **Nichols** of Belvedere. Another pleasant summer lunch was given by Marian **Weaver** at Sam's Anchor Cafe, in Tiburon, Calif., next door to Belvedere, on the happy occasion of Mollie **Weaver's** birthday, mother and daughter up from Menlo Park. Guests were COL and Mrs. Reeve D. Keiler and the **Nichols.** The Keilers, he USMA '24, live in nearby Mill Valley.

During the summer, Virginia and Speck **Wheeler** celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary and had a houseful of guests for 2 weeks. They had spent May on another trip West and needed relaxation! And, I will add here that Gerta and your Scribe in Sept. enjoyed their 12th anniversary. Speck, by the way, passed his 84th birthdate on 31 July.

'14

Col. John H. Carruth
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This Class letter is being written on 16 Sept. a significant day for 3 reasons in (to me) order of importance: 1. It's my deadline, so I'm running late, say, one day; 2. This morning, the San Antonio buses, after a 14-day strike, began to roll again; and 3. This is "Diez y Seis," a Mexican holiday marking the 159th anniversary of Mexican independence. Prominent Mexican officials, U.S. Senators and Representatives, and local business leaders, have been celebrating with banquets and speeches and a street parade (today), stressing ties of friendship between the U.S. and Mexico.

With this prelude, now let's get down to Class matters. Unfortunately, I must, as usual start with regrettable news which some of you already know and others don't. On 23 June, Skimp **Brand** received a letter from David E.P. Lindh, 455 Park Ave., N.Y. 10022, telling of the death of his mother, Alice, the widow of our "Fifi" (Fritz P.), on 7 Oct. 1968. Fat **Kerr** was her Special Classmate. I don't believe that Alice knew many of 1914, and she did not attend our Reunions.

Coming closer to home, it is with sadness that I must report the death on 4 July, 1969, of Amy **Rees,** the wife of Tim **Rees.** Amy had a serious heart condition for many years, but carried on in spite of it. She was born at Ft. Sam Houston, and her entire life was spent in the Army. She had a keen and intelligent mind, and was an excellent bridge player, an avid reader, and loved parties. She never hesitated to express her mind, but was a kind and considerate woman, generous to her family, as well as to underprivileged persons who needed help. She was buried in the West Point Cemetery. I would say that she was a unique woman, much missed by all who knew her and the San Antonio contingent of 1914, who knew her so well, will miss her especially.

As for the **Carruths,** we, too, have had our troubles—it seems to be a common reward for longevity. As was announced at the 55th Reunion, which Earll and I could not attend, the husband of our youngest daughter Dorothy, Dr. Ralph H. Potter, died on 20 May of a brain hemorrhage, after only 2 days;

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and Earll and I flew out to San Francisco to attend the funeral held on 24 May. We remained with Dorothy and the 3 children for the rest of the week at the Mill Valley Potter home, so while the Reunion was in progress, we were in the San Francisco Bay area. I am indebted to Gene **Villaret** and to John Henry **Woodberry** who acted for me in recording the minutes of our Class meeting, and writing the account of the 55th Reunion. Both did excellent jobs. Those who take ASSEMBLY will have read John Henry's account of this most successful Reunion in the Summer, 1969 issue. Many thanks, Gene and John Henry.

After our return to San Antonio, Earll and I entered the pool of this apartment complex, on 21 June. Earll entered the pool at the deep end—about 15 feet—and I by the steps at the shallow end. As she went down the pipe ladder and plunged into the water, Earll had her first (and I hope last) heart attack and became unconscious, lying face down on the surface of the water. I swam to her as quickly as I could and towed her by one arm until I could touch the concrete bottom of the pool. I then pushed her over to the side of the pool, at the same time yelling for help, which was quickly rendered. We managed to get Earll out of the pool, and with the help of a retired MAJ Stone, ANC, the San Antonio Fire Department Emergency Squad, and our Doctor Cook, she was induced to breathe again and went by Army Ambulance to Brooke Army Hospital at Ft. Sam Houston. Earll was under intensive care for 3 days and returned to our apartment on 15 July. We understand it was not a serious heart attack, and she has recovered from it—the biggest danger was drowning.

John Henry **Woodberry** and Marguerite drove from Greenville, S.C., to Okla. City to attend the wedding of their granddaughter, and they then drove on down to San Antonio for a brief visit. They were house guests of Mrs. J.D. Miller, an old friend. While here, Tim **Rees** had them and the Class for drinks at his home, after which, Tim, the **Gills**, Cecile **Clark** and Earll and I had the **Woodberrys** as guests for a Mexican dinner at "La Fonda" on Broadway. Another evening, we of 1914 had drinks and other refreshments at Mrs. Miller's home and then had steak dinners with the Woodberrys at a restaurant on Austin Highway.

Before closing, I have another disturbing report to include. I heard thru Eleanor **Cress**, that Betty **Doe** was returning by plane from a trip to Taipan and was approaching San Francisco when she developed a serious chest condition. Fortunately, GEN and Mrs. Monk Meyer were on the plane. On deplaning they found they had missed the last plane to Carmel, so GEN Meyer arranged for a car from the Presidio to take them there. When she reached home, Betty collapsed on the floor of her hallway. Fortunately, the Fire Department arrived promptly and kept her alive until the doctor arrived. It was a massive heart attack, and the fluid in her lungs had almost closed her throat. Betty got home at Easter with practical nurses.

Jens **Doe** is in a rest home, in or near Carmel. Haven't been able to find out the address yet.

Elmer **Adler**, who has had a number of strokes, is also in an excellent rest home. His address: Memorial Medical Hospital, 323 W. Cypress St., San Antonio, Tex. 78212. Drop him a line if you can. He has a private room and bath, but 4 blank walls aren't very interesting.

That seems to be about all—not very cheerful, I know. "Better news next time." Sorry I have been so slow in answering some of your nice letters, but you will understand, I know.

Earll joins me in affectionate regards.

This is in the nature of a postscript to my letter. Sorry I overlooked including it above. MAJ Ronald L. Bellows, C.E. (USMA '58) was the aide assigned to look out for 1914 and did an excellent job. The 1914 ladies, many of whom were quartered at Ladycliff, asked Mrs. Dick (the daughter of Ella and Charlie Gross) to get for them a small token of their appreciation, to be presented to Mrs. Bellows. Mrs. Dick chose a large serving spoon in the Kirk Repoussé pattern, engraved on the back "55th Reunion, June 1969" with the letter "B" for Bellows. Ruth **Spaatz** as the wife of our new Class President, Tooey **Spaatz**, received a very appreciative letter from Barbara, the wife of MAJ Bellows, including the words "it is something we will not only treasure for its beauty, but also something to remind us of the wonderful people from whom it came. My husband thoroughly enjoyed meeting and being a part of your group, even if only for a short while."

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ATTENTION!! It's "just around the corner." WHAT? Our 55th Reunion. WHEN? 27-30 May 1970. WHERE? At Uncle Sam's school for men (so far, at least) just north of Highland Falls. HOW? Take a plane, a train, a bus, drive, or, as taught us by a certain Tac, "crawl on your belly for miles and miles." How you get there doesn't matter. Getting there, does! Golly Moses! A bunch of decrepit old fogeys who graduated 'way back in 1914 turned out nearly 50% of their living Grads last June! WHY? It is well to refresh one's dedication to the ideals of West Point. And you'll have a grand time renewing old acquaintances; staring, goggle-eyed, at the new construction; marveling at the size and zip of the Corps; boasting about your offspring. 'Twill warm the cockles of your heart. And, as the largest Class to hold a 55th Reunion up to date, our turnout must give the callow youths who follow us something to shoot at.

Henry **Aurand**, Deputy Reunion Chairman, is busy as a bull pup with a feather duster. It's a tough job so help by keeping him informed of your latest plans. Now comes a card from the Tex **Avents**, visiting friends in Brittany. They are piping our 55th. Fred **Boye** keeps in touch by letter and phone, and by visits from the D.C. gang. Fred Jr. is now Pentagoning. The **Conklins** threw an enjoyable KT brawl at the Sulgrave Club in June and spent Aug. in N.H.

Also, in June the **Ellises** celebrated their 54th with a fine party at the A-N Club. While on an Aug. Mich. trip, Det saw, at U. of M., a letter written by Richard Ellis, his Gr. Gr. Granddad in 1782 while a British POW in Charleston. They stopped off at Seneca Falls, N.Y. (Shorty **MacDonald's** podunk) where the Brass of Eisenhower College graciously showed them around this fine institution. Our Memorial Contribution will be matched with Federal funds and as the College has not yet graduated a class, ours will be the first "class contribution" received. Gibby **Gibson** reports a "soggy summer," but things are looking up now that Mary is home from convalescent home.

The **Graves** left in June for an extended Calif. trip and upon return reported it 3.0. Mary **Larkin** is currently visiting her daughter in Dublin. Will return ere snowfall. While en route to visit son in Idaho, the **Leonards** introduced their 18-year-old grandson from England to the Grand Canyon. Returning, they took in the **Eisenhower** Memorial in Abilene and were very impressed with its dignity and beauty as well as the reverence shown by visitors. Ida **Ryder** will be at the Reunion as she will be attending the graduation of her grandson.

The Tom **Taylors** drove up from Chapel Hill and stayed with daughter "Boots" Daugherty while getting routine checks at Walter Reed. They have their house up for sale and when (and if) sold will move to San Antonio where another daughter lives. On 25 Apr. 1969 was born Charles Dodd Starbird, who, so far as we know, is the only brat who can boast of two 1915 great grandfathers, (Hermie **Beukema** and Ed **Wallington.**) And how time marches on! The **Weart's** oldest son, a DCS/O in Europe, has their oldest great grandson serving in the same headquarters. Recently Mac **Wogan** drove up from Asheville and had a nice visit with Mamie **Eisenhower** in Gettysburg. While staying with the **Evans** she got to see several of the D.C. gang. The **Woodruffs** enjoyed 3 weeks of late summer on the west slope of the Rockies. No record trout were taken but they escaped a Tex. hot spell. Woody reports the Mike **Davises**, the **Halcombs**, and Rosamay **Harmon** in good orbit as of last sighting.

Again we must close on a sad note. On 9 Aug. in Winter Park, Fla., George **Stratemeyer** joined the Long Gray Line. The Class extends its sympathy to Annalee and Strat's sister, Mrs. Griffith.

Check your Directory for new addresses for Dora **Small**, Pearl **Stickney**, and Dick **Winfield**. And remember, our 55th is practically a MUST!

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Maurice **Miller** at San Antonio is one of the faithful sub-scribes in reporting news of classmates in that area. NOW HE MAKES NEWS! Maurice and Mrs. Edna L. Thompson of San Antonio were married at St. Andrews Church in San Antonio on Mon., 14 July, Dr. Barcus Moore officiating. All of Maurice's children and several grandchildren, and immediate relatives of Edna living in Tex. were present. After the ceremony Maurice's daughters Betty and Barbara and his son's wife Isobel, gave a champagne buffet for all attending the wedding. After a week's honeymoon, Edna and Maurice are at home at 203 Brightwood Place, San Antonio. We Sixteeners join in welcoming Edna into the Class and in wishing her and Maurice much happiness together. I understand that classmates at San Antonio did not find out about the wedding until a week later! They should be more alert as to what is going on!

Marion and Holland **Robb** celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary on 30 June. They are number 16 of 1916. Hosts for the anni-

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versary dinner at the Madison Hotel in Washington were daughter Janice and husband (Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson) who live in Tokyo. Among the 50 guests were **Blisses, Gallaghers, Scotts, Pricketts,** and Bobby **O'Hare.** Other classmates were out of town.

Jesse **Tarpley** passed away on 5 July after a long illness. We extend our sympathy to Myrtle and their daughter, Mrs. Nancy Jack. And we commend Myrtle for the loving care she gave Jess through his long illness.

Ray **Moses** is reported to be writing his memoirs for his grandchildren. Charles **Haskins** reports that Mabelle and he traveled by train across Canada in May to Vancouver and Victoria with a stop-off at Calgary on the return trip. They were most enthusiastic about the Canada scenery and the perfect weather they experienced.

Cramp **Jones,** at my request, was kind enough to send me a brief of Harriot's and his younger families. I am "briefing" it still further and feeding it into the Class Notes. Their offspring and grandchildren are as follows: Henry Crampton **Jones** Jr. born at West Point, attended Colo. State College and graduated in Electrical Engineering from Louisiana State U. He is now Regional Manager for a manufacturer of parts for electronic equipment and lives in Dallas, Tex. His oldest son, Peter Howze **Jones,** USMA 1970, is a fine student and always on the Dean's list. He spent 2d Class summer in Germany with an armored unit and during summer of 1969 was in Ethiopia on "Operation Crossroads Africa" with other college students building educational facilities in the highlands. Peter's brother Christopher Reed **Jones** is at VMI (2d Year) and may enter West Point in 1970. These 2 young men have 2 junior sisters.

Anne Alicia **Jones** was also born at West Point. She graduated "magna cum laude" from Northwestern U. She is the wife of COL Paul W. Phillips (USMA 1944) now stationed at HQ U.S. Army Europe at Heidelberg. The Phillips have 2 college-age daughters and a junior son.

Robert Howze **Jones** attended LSU, became a newspaper reporter, was drafted and served with the Sig. Cps. in Germany for 2 years. He is now a bang-up (Cramp's description) salesman on Long Island for a surgical supply firm. He is married and has 2 young sons. Incidentally, Cramp's father was COL William Kinley **Jones,** (USMA 1887); and Harriot's father was MG Robert Lee Howze (Medal of Honor) (USMA 1888).

Laura and Dwight **Johns** report that their grandson, 2LT Richard Johns, Cps. of Engrs., has completed his basic Engr. course at Ft. Belvoir and the parachute course at Ft. Benning. He expects to complete the ranger course, also at Benning, in early Nov., and then his wife Barbara and he will head for Germany. Laura and Dwight visited daughter Liz and her husband (COL R.M. Rufsvold, USMA 1946) at Ft. Riley, Kansas in Oct. Eve and Bob **McBride** spent about 2 weeks in the Long Beach area in late Aug.

Helen and Woody **Woodward** write from Teton Village, Wyo., that they have had a beautiful and ideal summer in the Jackson Hole country where they have a most comfortable cabin. En route to Wyo. they traveled via Seattle, Victoria, the Canadian Rockies, Glacier National Park, and Idaho. At Jackson Hole they had a gay and busy and happy summer with lots of old friends about, parties, concerts, hikes, and the like. They returned home at Santa Rosa, Calif. by 15 Sept.

Virginia **Doney** is spending some time in Spain and expects to be home by early Oct. Blanche and Roland **Shugg** visited their daughter Mrs. Woodcock and her family at Corvallis, Ore., this summer and participated in the wedding of one of their grandsons, Roland Paget Woodcock. This young man and one of his brothers will both be graduate students at Yale under scholarships.

Jean **Brundred** has visited recently in the San Diego area where she and Bruno once lived, traveling there from her home in Va. Doe and Bill Styer entertained her and had a very enjoyable reunion. Bill **Styer** also writes that his son, COL George **Styer,** has recently departed for VN where he is Deputy in the U.S. Army Support Command at Da Nang.

Dwight **Johns** traveled to West Point in Sept. to be present at the Dedication of the Douglas MacArthur Memorial and Barracks.

Death announcements in Summer 1969 ASSEMBLY carry the information that Nellie **Russell** died 1 Jan. 1969. His widow, Marie, writes that he died at Grace Hospital in Detroit after a long illness. He had had 2 coronary attacks, with other complications. Nellie is survived by his wife Marie, to whom he had been married for 48 years, 1 son LTC Don **Russell** of Washington, D.C., 3 daughters, and 11 grandchildren, to all of whom his memory will be dear. We extend our sympathy to them.

APR '17

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During the summer we have lost 2 of our classmates. On 12 July Clare **Armstrong** died at the Veterans' Hospital in Hampton, Va. Memorial services were held in the chapel at Ft. Monroe, Va., on 15 July, Clark **Fales** representing the Class; and interment was at West Point on 26 Aug. In his memory the Class has sent a gift to the Superintendent's Fund.

On 5 Aug. Morris **Barroll** died after a long illness in the Martinsburg, W.Va., Veterans' Hospital. Graveside services were held on 8 Aug. at Arlington Cemetery. **Barroll** was a 4th generation military officer in an old Md. family. Besides his wife, Solange, he leaves his mother, Mrs. Morris K. **Barroll** Sr. of Army Distaff Hall, Washington, D.C., a brother and a sister. At Solange's request the Class has sent a gift to the Army Relief Society. The Class extends sincere sympathy to both Kitty **Armstrong** and Solange **Barroll.**

In July Bill and Jule **Heavey** enjoyed a delightful cruise on the SS "Bremen" along the St. Lawrence River and up the Saguenay to the head of navigation. Matt and Penny **Ridgway** spent a good part of Aug. at beautiful Newagen Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Me.

In the Washington area the annual luncheon to celebrate the 53d anniversary of our graduation will be held at the A-N Club at noon on 18 Apr. Wives and widows are most cordially invited, and it is hoped that many living at a distance from Washington will come.

A letter from Doug **Wahl** tells of the untimely death of Bill Wilson's wife, Inez. Inez was a member of an old Calif. family. Bill has spent much of his time on the West Coast, operating "Rancho Chupinos," one of the old ranchos, and a real functioning ranch.

Doug writes also that his main occupation is getting Plebes for West Point. At present his district has 20 men in the Corps. He says he has 5 lined up for next year and hopes to get a 6th if he can talk the boy's father into sticking around until the kid gets out of high school.

From Jack **Code** comes a letter giving accounts of other West Coast classmates: Dutch **Keiser** is doing very well, now that he has had a pacemaker placed in his heart. His wife, Marian, in her anxiety to rush to Letterman Hospital to visit him, slipped and fell, breaking her arm which, incidentally, is mending nicely.

Alex **Campbell** traveled to Ak. via the Inland Waterway, but fell on a glacier and bruised his leg; so we have no further concern as to how successfully he has regained his good condition after his open-heart surgery.

Link and Jean **Daniels** have moved again, this time to Apt. 205, 4800 Williamsburg Lane, La Meda, Calif. It seems the doctor thought a drier climate would be better for health reasons. "Since they never drank anyway, I don't see how they could be any drier than they were; and if you ever heard some of Link's delightful jokes, you would certainly agree."

Virginia **Heraty** had quite a serious operation, being in Stanford Hospital the same time as Jack **Code,** who also underwent surgery. This will come as a great surprise to certain local classmates' wives and explains why they did not receive some apricots this year for making preserves. They are both back to full activities, and Jack is lively as a cricket. He incidentally found his name to be among the "World's 2,000 Men of Achievement" as published in London, England.

Louis and Elf **Martin** have much to be proud of. Their son LTC Stuart F. **Martin** is Asst DCS for Logistics at West Point. Their daughter Nancy's husband, COL Richard Bull, is Senior Military Advisor to the Korean Army, and their sons are both 2LTs. Terry Paul Bull II is a new father of Terry Paul Bull III, age 1 month, at the Engineer School; while Thomas Martin Bull is attending the Infantry School.

Pete **Kilburn** has been conducting and directing golf matches and tournaments for Senior Citizens. The latest on Count **Melasky** is that he has learned from the astronauts that you can carry your air around with you, pressed in a junior tank. He finds this innovation extremely helpful for his emphysema.

During Aug. Spec and Evelyn **Irwin** had the pleasure of being surrounded by their sons and their families. Their older son, Bill, a MAJ in the Marines, has returned from Korea to be stationed in Detroit.

Early in May, Love **Mullins** flew to Mass. to attend a Convention of Distinguished Persons. Marge and Sid **Young** gave a luncheon at the Presidio Officers' Club for all the classmates they could get their hands on.

John **Whitcomb** went on an Ak. trip with Alex **Campbell,** who reports that Whit was so successful in his literary courses at the U. of Calif. that he plans to write a book. Its title is "Daisies at Play," and it covers the intricate business dealings in South American republics.

Kewp **Yuill** has been making a good recovery after his aorta and gall bladder operation last Mar.; and Gay, who has her own difficulties, does a wonderful job of taking care of him. Kewp says, "Anyway I have a cool corner in a hot land and a patio after the sun goes down."

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AUG '17

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Several months ago, Spider (Edwin Clark) **Maling** left Mex. to be near Brooke General Hospital. The move was prophetic: he died in his sleep on 4 July. Interment was in the Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery. Sammie (Agnes) **Maling** is living at 7530 Robin Rest Drive, San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

After a valiant battle, Willie **Wilson** lost his beloved Ynez. She had been in and out of hospitals, 5 in the last year: finally her strength gave out on 16 July. None who knew her will forget her charm. Her ashes were scattered at sea. Presumably Willie will continue living at Rancho Chupinos where his son and the later's family also reside.

Your Scribe received a cheerful letter, written 22 July from Swede **Sarcka**—among chatter about his dogs and vegetable garden, he said that he and Betty would celebrate their 52d wedding anniversary in Sept. Alas, he didn't make it. Swede died on the last day of Aug., another victim of cancer and having a rough time at the last. Betty **Sarcka** is at North Bennington, Vt. 05257.

The Class luckily missed another loss when Maris and Carly **Black** had a serious automobile accident in Jan. Maris lost most of his teeth; Carly suffered a broken left leg and a broken right knee cap. Carly had not been well for a couple of years, and housekeeping was now impossible. So the **Blacks** have sold their home and moved into The Hermitage, Box 300, Onancock, Va. 23417.

Better news follows. Pete **Purvis** is out of Walter Reed and at home with Gertrude. Emily **Bringham** is back to her normal life after spending several weeks in Washington Hospital Center recovering from a heart attack. Gus **Hoffman** has survived a string of disasters: he had 3 broken hips, surrendered his right kidney, and had a slight stroke which impaired his speech somewhat. He has arthritis and must type his letters. But he writes cheerfully as always. He and Kathleen live near their son and his family, enjoying the children. Eddie **House** had a serious operation but remembering his motto, "Us **Houses** is tough," he is making a good recovery.

The **Rolfes** have given up their home and moved into Apt. 2-3, Whispering Waters, Winter Park, Fla. 32789. Pinkie and Nan didn't look ready for such a change when your Scribe saw them at a marvelous Class luncheon given by Hi and Rae **Ely** in their beautiful home, Hawkwood. Hi is the spry one of the Class. A country squire with a charming wife and 3 young children, he fairly exudes vigor.

However, he has rivals. Froggie **Reed** would probably challenge for the title. And Bart **Harloe** has been appointed to, and confirmed unanimously cum laude, to the City Ethics Commission of Honolulu. Unless the city has changed since your Scribe lived there, the job will be no sinecure. Ed **Leavey** is another candidate for honors. He continues as a director on the boards of several large companies. More than that, he and Ruth made a European trip which included a cruise among the islands of the Aegean. If your Scribe has heard aright that cruise requires scrambling up and down small mountains a couple of times a day.

Space limitations forbid gossip about the many whose state of health lies between the extremes described above—our class letter is the medium for triviality and unbridled prolixity Health to all!

JUN '18

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It is with great sorrow that I report the death of 2 of our classmates, Jawn **Mesick** and Bit **Barth.**

Jawn **Mesick** died on 10 July 1969 at Natchez, Miss., after a brief illness. Church services and burial took place at Claverack, N.Y., his home town, on 14 July. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you Hattie.

Bit **Barth** died of a stroke at the hospital in Hague, N.Y., on 16 Aug. 1969. Funeral services were held at Leavenworth, Kans., the Barth's winter home, on 21 Aug. Our deep sympathy goes out to you, Mary.

Both Jawn and Bit will be greatly missed by their many friends.

A short handwritten note on my last quarterly letter to Pierre **Agnew** that Frances **George** would be glad to send him Paul's HOWITZER in response to Pierre's request for one, and a note on Frances' letter to expect Pierre's request for same resulted in 2 new letters from Frances that the book was on its way and a thank you note from Pierre. Sitting here at Woodley Acres, your Scribe almost feels like Santa Claus's helper. Thank you, Frances. And with winter on its way, Pierre enclosed a note about an old farmer who lived in Vt. close to the N.H. line all his life. Informed by the highway surveyors that his farm was really in N.H. the farmer remarked that he was sure glad, as at his age he didn't know if he could stand any more of those Vt. winters. A.M. and I knew we had a point in settling in N.H. Perhaps that's why the Tommy **Tompkins** built a new winter home in Fla.

But joking aside, Ruth **Alexander** wrote that she and Red appreciate the Class letters and particularly enjoy the description of the countryside; it makes her homesick since Vt. and the beauty of the scenery bring back such pleasant memories of when she lived in this area. Rouge has had quite a siege of bad health having spent the month of July in the Naval Hosp. with fluid in the lungs and a coronary condition. Down to 153 lbs. he is gradually and slowly regaining his strength. And with all their troubles they take time to write and wish your Scribe a steady return to good health. Those wishes are coming true, and your Scribe is just about normal again.

Scip **Axelson** writes "no news of class interest" and then writes a short personal letter in which your Scribe found much of interest. For example, both he and Norma are in pretty good shape and even contemplating the possibility of returning for our 55th Reunion. Secondly, he attended San Diego's annual WP Society summer meeting at which 46 were present for barbeque steaks. While most of them were the younger element, he noted among those present Kelton '15, Worsham '16, Locke Nov. '18, Finn '25 and, of course, Stone '23 who is doing such a fine job as president. And via his sister from Idaho (Scip came from there), a news clipping re COL James B. **Newman** III, Class '42, and son of our Jim, who represented the Office, Chief of Engrs. at the dedication of the great Dworshak Fish Hatchery.

Agnes **Bell** sends her thanks and appreciation for the 50th Reunion book. Clyde Jr. she says, gets around considerably, and she wonders if we would be interested in his activities. Yes, Agnes, we would like to hear more about our Class children. Many of them are now making history both as soldiers and civilians.

Down to the tip of Tex. on the beach at Padre Island went the **Blanchards.** After a taste of this lazy life, Charlie surprised Eve by telling her they would go to Acapulco for their 40th anniversary. Getting there was as exciting as getting married 40 years previously. Charlie arranged the timing for an emergency landing. Passengers took off their jewelry, and together with shoes and purses were wrapped in blankets and hauled down the aisle of the plane, at no extra cost, by dashing stewardesses, who then strapped them in tightly. With passengers heads down on pillows on knees the plane slithered in away from the airfield to a safe landing, where they were met by ambulances, fire engines, any many excited people. Sounds like the start of an ideal anniversary celebration, especially when the **Blanchards** then further slid into a lazy Mex. style, late breakfast, early swim in beautiful surf, late lunch, siesta, late swim and late, late dinner. Some wedding anniversary.

Since 1 June the **Caseys** have been enjoying their summer and fall in Vt. Daughter Patricia Clay came from Leavenworth for a short visit and to enter the twins in their respective schools. Patricia and Frank Clay attended Bit **Barth's** funeral services at Leavenworth. Dorothy has taken up golf, never having played before last year. And, with her enthusiastic approach, wrote Pat, has done extremely well. So, watch your golf scores, folks, at least those Fla. bound as the **Caseys** left for Naples, their winter home, late in Oct.

Upon returning home from their 50th anniversary trip to Mallorca, England, and "Broadway," the Gallaghers found their Class 50th anniversary card. Phil sent your Scribe a special letter to thank the Class for the very thoughtful and beautiful card.

From Bridport in Dorset, England, the **Grants** have decided to stay another year. Helen was temporarily handicapped by a slipped disc but managed to surmount the pain and difficulty. The kind and friendly people in beautiful scenic Dorset helped Helen and Jack in their decision to stay on longer.

A 3-week vacation during July and Aug. was the reward the **Grenataes** reaped after a busy season on the farm mixed with community activities. They visited daughter Rosalie Comstock at Concrete, Wash. There they had the whole of the newly created Northwest Cascade National Park to roam over, guided by expert Chris Comstock, Rosalie's husband who is a U.S. Forester stationed there. Grandson Mike (1-yr.-old) was a fitting diversion for his proud grandparents. In fact, grandpa Mike claims he taught young Mike to walk during their 3 weeks stay. All 5 of them managed a side trip to Victoria, B.C.

The **Gruhns** had all 3 grandsons visiting them. Son Tom, back from his second tour in VN, en route to Germany, supplied 2 of them. Daughter Ruth Bryan, husband and son en route on an exploring trip through Central and So. America, as far south as Tierra del Fuego, supplied the 3d. They will use a special Land Rover on their 15,000 mi. trek by road while on sabbatical from the U. of Alberta where they are both Asso. Profs. of Anthropology. So, after the grand-

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sons reunion, Growley came up with the idea that while Clarry and Els **Townsley** had more grandsons, Steve and Growley thought they could sort of even up by claiming a red head. But they found that the **Townsley's** also had one.

Charlie **Hoffman** reported gardening about over after a very unusual and abnormal summer season of intensely hot weather—first very dry and then floods of rain. Tish! Where are those balmy blue skies of Md., Charlie? Then Rita and Charlie drove up to visit their daughter in Conn. and decided the heavy traffic was just too much to take and beautiful N.H. a long way off. Correct! But the **Lorences** solved the problem by moving up here lock, stock, and barrel.

Your Scribe can report, by permission of Daddy, that the **Holts** did take their North Cape cruise with many way stations to Iceland, Scandanavia, Leningrad, Kiel, Dublin, and others. Daddy not only gained 13 lbs. but found that the sun really did shine at midnight and has Mary Mason to vouch for it.

And, a postcard from Helsinki, Finland, from the **Horrs** who cruised Scandanavia and its southern neighbors. But no word that they and the **Holts** met even though they do follow each other alphabetically.

Now from grandchildren we move to great grandchildren as we relate the doings of the **Hurts.** In Aug. they flew from Fla. to Visalia, Calif., to visit with 1 of their grandsons, Larry Jones, and his wife and their 2 sons Arthur age 3 and Erich age 1 (2 of the **Hurt's** 3 great grandchildren). The grandparents, Paul and Lola's daughter Eleanor and husband, Lyle Jones, made the trip with them. On their return to Fla. they stopped off at Rock Island, Ill., to visit their oldest and 3d great grandchild. A most memorable trip, especially since it was the 1st time they had seen young Erich. Wow! can anyone in the Class beat the **Hurts'** record? If so, move 1 pace forward.

Tom **Kern** forwarded his fiscal year report on Class funds, a copy of which was enclosed with the quarterly Class letter of 22 Aug. At the time Tom wrote in early July, he said Wash. had been so hot that for a time the temperature and humidity exceeded the design conditions for air conditioning in that area. But that made Tom happy to be able to try and solve these problems as air conditioning is his busness. But, Tom sent Susan, their daughter, and 3 grandchildren (visiting from Calif.) to Rehobeth Beach on the Md. shore to cool off while he spent most of the time in air conditioned buildings tackling Washington's heat and humidity problems. Up in the north country air conditioning is provided by nature, and we just open the window and let the free, cool, sweet, fresh air into the house when we are not outdoors inhaling it.

Summer school at college, Alice **Kramer** found, can become a most exciting experience. She attended the Stanford U. Summer Alumni College for 10 days in Aug. "Man and His Environment — Revolution and Change" was the theme with lectures in the morning, seminars for afternoons, a cocktail and social hour each evening before dinner, and "Firesides" with an interesting speaker each night provided the most enticing "bill of fare." A most refreshing and invigorating mental experience and the high light of my summer wrote Alice. Son Bunny is still with IBM covering the sports tournaments and manages to visit his mom about once a month.

Your Scribe is now back to his normal duties and way of life. The local Historical Society keeps us jumping during the summer. AM is treasurer and your Scribe is historian. The society maintains an active summer schedule at the request of our many summer resident members. Woodley Acres still keeps us entranced, and visits from friends and relatives across the nation provide a pleasant interlude.

Mabel and the still functioning Mayor of Skaneateles, Jim **Marshall,** decided it is not too bad an idea to get one's name in the paper about once a year in order that they may be counted among the surviving. And, wrote Jim, "for some fool reason, I am giving practically full time to the job of mayor." Their grandson, J.C.M.II, Bob's oldest youngster, left Princeton after 2 yrs. and enlisted in the Regular Army last Nov. He made Staff Sergeant at the NCO School at Benning, completed Ranger training in Ga. and Fla. and is now in VN. When Jim II completes his tour there, he hopes to return to Princeton and resume study under his National Merit Scholarship.

Bud and Fenie **Miley** love to take short trips to see their children, with a bit of golf and bridge in between at the A-N Country Club. A very useless existence, says Bud. A well earned one, says your Scribe.

From Lac d'Annecy, Menthon St. Bernard, French Alps, on a lovely picture postcard, comes hello and good wishes from Andy **Moore** where he is spending a few weeks with French friends. And a postcard from Murray **Neilson** reporting he is doing well, and sending his best wishes. A note from Mildred **Pichel** saying she stayed home this summer to catch up on her entertaining, but will visit N.Y. in Oct. on business and pleasure, then back home for the opera season.

The big news from the **Rundells** is that they sold their home in Winter Park, Fla., and moved to the other end of the US, namely, Walla Walla, Wash., where their only daughter, wife of COL J. H. Beddow lives at 606 Craig St. This will be their temporary address until resettled. A difficult and in a way discouraging year for us, wrote Bee, with no 50th Reunion, our 50th wedding anniversary in the hospital and then a long recovery for Earle, well, it just could have been better, but I am greatly pleased that it was no worse, and Earle is regaining strength. It will be good to again be near family. Son Bud in Wash. is now subject to reassignment.

From their summer home at Vineyard Haven the **Siberts** send hello and best wishes. Eddie says they are doing all the planting, pruning, digging, etc. that I so vividly described as having missed this spring. Well, Eddie, I'm right back in the midst of it and in my glory.

PW says the **Smiths'** move from their apartment to their summer cottage (3 blocks away) confused the postman so he delivers the mail to both places. A grandson spent the summer with them while working in Boston earning expenses for his 2d yr. at Kans. U. Their daughter and children from San Francisco spent a month with them.

Tommy **Tompkins** phoned from Northfield, Vt., with a bit of news. Monie's mother, Lady Sylvia Brooke, spent most of the summer with them. A bright old girl of 83, making her home at Barbados, still writing and painting (pastels). Monie spent 3 weeks this fall in England visiting her family. Son Charles, who worked as an outdoors man during the summer at a local motel and restaurant, returned to school at Fryeburg, Me.

A letter from Elsie **Wells** returning and approving Wayne's memorial which your scribe wrote for ASSEMBLY. She and son Dick were very well pleased with the write-up. Both of them are busy at the gift shop which has been a life-saver to them during their grievous period.

So long till next time.

NOV '18

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On Sat., 14 June, a Golden Wedding party was given at Ft. McNair for Laura Belle and Bill **Badger.** Their 3 sons and their wives acted as hosts. Two of their grandchildren were in the receiving line. 170 guests enjoyed cocktails and dinner. A 50th Anniversary wedding cake was cut by the "bride and groom" with an old French Cavalry sabre picked up on the battlefield of Waterloo by Bill's great-grandfather. Two of the original wedding party were present, Mrs. Jessie Shaw, and our classmate, Burroughs **Stevens.** Other classmates and wives present were: the **Bennets, Evans, Groves, Gullatts, Hastings, Holbrooks, Normans, Peckhams, Whelchels, Yoders,** and Muriel **Searby** and Millie **Stice.** Bill has since been in Walter Reed for surgery. He is still making trips to Walter Reed for treatment, but is in circulation again.

Charlie and Ruth **Morrison** celebrated their 50th anniversary in mid-June at the Navy Officers Club, Long Beach, Calif., "the happiest, liveliest, most perfect party for septuagenarians." Hosts were their daughters and sons-in-law, Ginny and Dave Allen and June and Bill Broming. Juliette and A.M. **Wilson** passed the 50-year mark on 27 May but the celebration, hosted by Monroe (Austin M. III), Virginia and Laura, was delayed until 12 July so the entire family could be together. The buffet-cocktail party was a MAX. A silver dispenser provided a constant flow of chilled champagne. The whole **Wilson** family as well as the George **Badger** Jr.'s were present. The **Morrisons'** granddaughter, Emily Ann, won the Miss Nashville singing contest and got a $1,000 scholarship. Grandson Robert Bly, a junior at Stanford, was selected by the National Science Foundation to accompany a team of scientists to the Antarctic to set up automated geo-physical stations.

Incidentally, Howard **Peckham** is anxious to establish a list of 50th wedding anniversary dates. If you are married to the same girl after 50 years, or expect to be, write to Howard giving him the date.

Jack **Winn** reports that Ginnie is greatly improved. They expect to be getting about soon. Dean **Dickey** is enjoying Rancho Bernardo, on the outskirts of San Diego, where he has the pleasure of a classmate nearby, René **Pinto.** Dean gives information about René: "He has an interesting family background: grandfather executed in Havana by the Spaniards; father Cuban Ambassador to Belgium, Venezuela, etc.; mother a native of Wis."

On the NBC "Today Show" on 11 June there was a report on Macau. **Dzau** alerted a few classmates to the event. Mr. Thomas, an American instructor at Linson College, was interviewed against a background of the Linson College building. He did a very good job, pointing out that they were training teachers of which there is a great short-

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age. One of the classes was shown discussing the meaning and use of English words.

Bill Mendenhall says: "Andrée and I could use a new set of spark plugs and cooling system – but the medics discourage transplants for 19th Century models. We continue to put up a fight on 'simply fading away.'" Bixby writes: "The whole trouble with this Leisure World is that it leaves no leisure time, Ruby being VP of a club that runs a thrift shop to help the Physical Therapy Center; her production on the potter's wheel and being secretary-treasurer of the Ceramics Art Club; our involvement with golf, bowling and occasional skittles – and now my duties as consultant for the organization of a Museum Association here at Rossmoor." Muriel **Carter** is fortunate for her grandchildren are now nearby. Her son-in-law at Cornell is taking a 6-month sabbatical in Sept. to do work at U. of Calif., Riverside, and he brought the family. Coral **Ericson** was again in Letterman for a hernia operation. She is recovering rapidly. Helen **Monroe** has not been well. Their daughter, Barbara, has been with them which has been a great help to Mac. Gildart and Bill **Blair** lunched together in L.A. in June.

Paul **Kelly** is living at the Shelton Retirement Home, 1300 North Mallory Street, Hampton, Va. He is well, happy, and enjoys seeing or hearing from classmates. Al **Johnson** retired from legal work with the Va. Corporation Commission last Sept. He and Virginia will continue to live in Midlothian, Va.

Josephine **Eddy**, of Carlsbad, N.Mex., writes that she enjoys reading Class news. She visited in Phoenix during the summer. Grandson, Christopher **Eddy** and his wife, spent the summer with her. Her other grandson, Robin **Eddy**, is a student at N.Mex. State College, Las Cruces. He is now in the work phase at White Sands Missile Range.

Pinkie **Walsh** writes: "I keep active in consulting work and spend most of my time on nuclear power plant work for my old company, Portland General Electric, for which I served 12 years as Chief Engineer. I have taken a course in nuclear physics and thermo-dynamics given by Ore. State U. for our company people, and am now in a more involved class that covers nuclear core design methods. When you consider that the atom was indivisible when we took chemistry, it is quite a stride to chase neutrons about the way it is done now. It is a most interesting subject, and takes 3 hours a week for 36 weeks. I also consult for the Turkish government on a dam located about 100 miles south of Istanbul and 100 miles west of Ankara. Pinkie **Williams** married Betty Conroy of Bellsville, Ill., about 1930. They had 1 son, born in the mid-30's. Betty died very soon after. Their boy was raised by the 2 grandparents families.

Chief **Brimmer** remarks on the surge of Class losses. He is working on reducing inheritance taxes on his heirs, but after the recent newsletters he is speeding up the procedure. Cornie **Hahn** writes: "Glad we saw Gene **Vidal** at the Reunion. We spent many hours together in football, basketball, and track at West Point and the Engineer School." Cornie's son, Bill '43, retired as a COL 31 July. He expects to live in Denver. The grandson is taking graduate work at the School of Mines. Frank **Huston** has splendid news. He reports a complete recovery from near fatal surgery.

Corp and Mary **Chorpening** took an 8,000 mile motor trip through the West and North last summer. Perhaps the most enjoyable part was the 5 days in and around Washington where there were so many classmates and other old friends. Corp's guess is that other classmates and widows in his area spent the summer roaming too as he has received only 1 letter, a most gracious one from Frances **Muller**. She has moved to Savanah, Ga., where 1 of her sons lives. Her son-in-law, LTC W.A. Hudson, is on his 2d tour of duty in VN.

Tom **Ramsey**, visiting relatives in Oakland, had dinner with Mac and Helen **Monroe**. The Al **Millers** had an enjoyable trip on the "Princess Italia"–San Francisco to Vancouver, Ketchican, Juneau, Skagway, Prince Rupert, Victoria, San Francisco. They rode the narrow gauge to Lake Bennet and back, along the route of the 1898 gold rush.

Walter **Wood**, who for years has loved his Class and tried hard to participate in our activities despite poor health, died 1 Aug. at Silver Spring, Md. He was buried in Arlington 5 Aug. At the graveside service were **Canan, Evans, Hastings, Peckham** and **Yoder** among many other friends. Walter and Mary's son, Bob, who was a POW in Chinese hands for 3 years during the Korean war and is now working on his Ph.D. was present also. Mary will keep their apartment in the Westchester for the time being.

John **Binder** and Linda called on John and Henrietta **Lewis** in Louisville and found them well. Charlie **Colson** is quite well, but his legs seem to tire out. Babe **Gullatt** is working harder and longer on a part time consulting job than he did on full time work. Johnny **Hinds** is doing his share of recruiting Plebes for the Academy. Edna **Hixon** sent Charlie out to get some rocks for her garden from a land fill. She, being informed in archaeology, discovered that he had brought back an artifact she could date as circa 5,000 B.C. Joe **Moss** is back in circulation after a minor accident. Apparently there were many cuts and bruises, but nothing too serious. It was not a kangaroo this time, but an automobile, I believe. Howard and Jimmie **Peckham** spent 2 weeks in New England in July. They visited friends on Nantucket for a week, spent 2 nights with the **Valentines** on Green Lake in Me. and 1 night at the Thayer Hotel on their way home.

Muriel **Searby** went to Europe in Sept. to be gone several weeks. Millie **Stice** was in Walter Reed for 4 weeks. She is fit and fine now. 44 members of our Class contributed $4,220 at the 50th Reunion to the Superintendent's Fund. Contributions of any size are gratefully accepted. **Peckham** would like to see our Class gift reach a round $5,000. Anyone wishing to contribute can send a check to COL C.N. Branham, Sec'y, Superintendent's Fund, West Point, N.Y. 10996, mentioning the Class of Nov. 1918. Mike and Barbara **Jenkins** took a glorious trip on S.S. "Brazil" through Norwegian waters. Returning to N.Y. they spent 2 weeks with their son, Bud, and his family in Greenwich, Conn.

Jean **Dietrich** died 31 July and was buried in Highland Cemetery, Covington, Ky. She had been in Letterman for several months. Tubby **Snow** died on 1 Sept. He had been in the Veterans' Hospital in Salem, Va., for some time. Howard and Jimmie **Peckham** attended the funeral services at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Raleigh, N.C. Tubby is buried in the family plot in Old Maplewood Cemetery in Durham.

Eddie **Pope**, after surgery early this summer, is now on his way to complete recovery. He has sold his big house in Hillsborough and plans on an apartment in Washington and a house at Lake San Marcos near San Diego.

Monk **Dickson** writes, much too long to quote in full, that Reggie **Hubbell** called his attention to the omission of Reggie's name from Table III of the Class History, an oversight that Monk regrets. Reg also wrote of his involvement, during the last months of his active service, in the development of tank tactics. Those of you who subscribe to the "Armed Forces Journal" may have seen of the 101 years continuous subscription to that paper starting with Reggie's grandfather, BG Henry H. **Hubbell**, in June 1867, and kept up by Reg.

Edith and Dave **Griffiths'** daughter, Nancy Root, was married to Brian Harold Price on 6 Sept. at the family home in Clinton, N.Y. Ed **Hogan**'s widow, Bidez, has remarried and is now Mrs. E.M. Embry, 3905 N. Stanton, El Paso, Tex. Daughter, Bidez, changed her name to Embry when her mother remarried. She is working for a Master's Degree at the U. of Iowa and intends to take a Ph.D. also.

Both Howell and Barbara **Cocke** have recovered from recent operations, Howell losing 10 pounds in the process and Barbara gaining a few. Julia **Beers** has moved to Walnut Creek, Calif. Doc **Johnson** has had his eldest brother visit him for a week, the longest they have been together since Doc entered West Point. The **Keysers** are enjoying life fishing and picnic-ing. The Fred **Pearsons** had a visit from their son's lively family. Vivian **Sastelle** visited Don Jr. and his family at West Point this summer. Jim **Styron's** plebe grandson writes to Jim that he has little time for letter writing–sounds familiar. Art and Marie **Pulsifer** went through San Antonio on the way to the West Coast this summer.

The Caboose entered Mercersburg Academy in Pa. on 9 Sept. His mother is still in tears, so to appease her, I have to go fox hunting at 7 a.m.

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In the notes for the summer issue of ASSEMBLY concerning the 50th Reunion, there were omissions for which your Scribe apologizes. In addition to the message from Jim **White**, messages were received from Fred **Drury** in Calif. and Jazz **Parsons** in Germany. And Wyburn **Brown** attended the graduation of his grandson, Robert Guest, in the Class of '69, USMA. Ralph and Mary **Bassett** not only attended the graduation of their son, Robert, but they remained at the Thayer until 15 June to attend his wedding. After buying a car, they toured eastern Canada, 17 states along the East Coast, and 8 more through the South while returning to Calif., 8,800 miles in 6 weeks. Ralph seems to have covered the generation gap just as easily; his son graduated this year, he is the father of the Class grandson, and during this trip he visited his great-grandson.

Al **Wedemyer**, our new Class president, has asked the 50th Reunion Army area chairmen to continue to serve as Class representatives. They are: First Army, Stu **Barden** and Eddie **Starr**; Third Army, Ike **Lawrence** and Ken **Pierce**; Fourth Army, Pewee **Collier** and Bob **Gard**; Fifth Army, Bunker **Bean** and Jack **Whitelaw**; and Sixth Army, Count **Wilson** and Gus **Broberg**. They will send notes for ASSEMBLY to the Class Scribe, but in order

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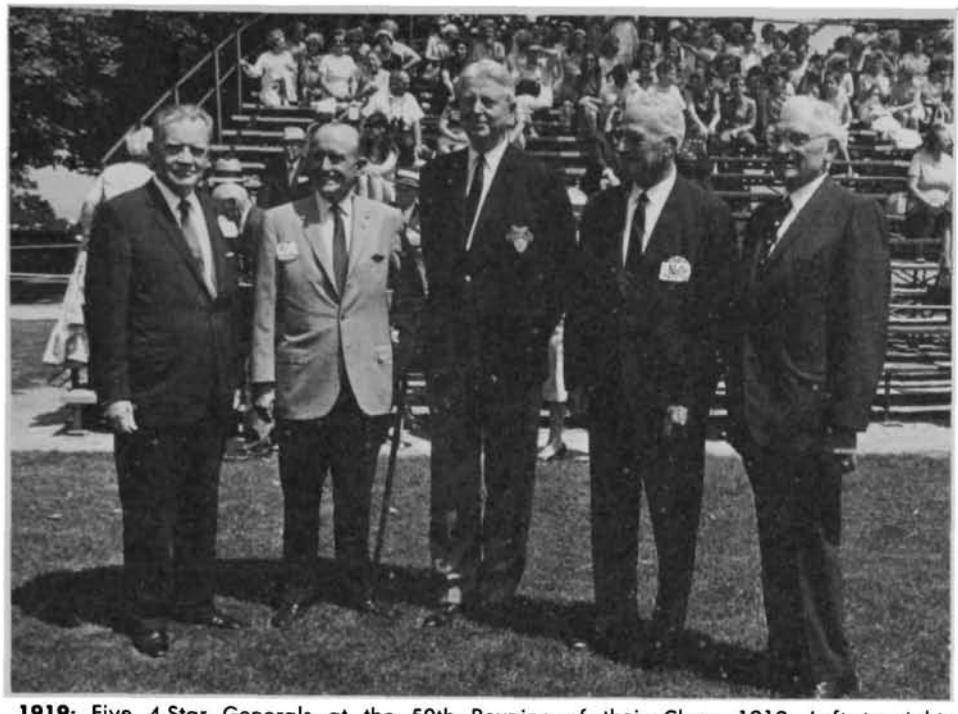

1919: Five 4-Star Generals at the 50th Reunion of their Class, 1919. Left to right: Anthony C. McAuliffe, Alfred M. Gruenther, Albert C. Wedemeyer, Nathan F. Twining, and Williston B. Palmer.

that they not be needlessly burdened, individuals are urged to send reports of events directly to the Scribe.

The date when Class notes for ASSEMBLY are due at West Point is shown in each issue. For example, on page 30 of the Spring issue it is stated that notes for the Fall issue are due by 15 Sept. Notes which you send to the scribe should reach him at least 1 week earlier than the stated date, and if you do send notes to the Army representative, allow him sufficient time for the notes to be consolidated and forwarded to the Scribe. Our 50th Reunion renewed and stimulated old bonds of friendship and interest. It should help to maintain those bonds if you will send in brief notes of events concerning one or more classmates.

Ike **Lawrence** reports that Hughes **Steele,** who is still active as mayor of Winter Haven, Fla., had planned to attend the Reunion with his wife, Boots, but she, unfortunately, was hospitalized with double pneumonia. She has since been recovering nicely. Two other Fla. classmates, Deacon **Hill** of Naples and Bill **Kean** of Clearwater, who had planned to attend the Reunion had to undergo surgery instead. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery. Bernice **McGill,** of Haines City, Fla., is happy to have her son, LTC Patric E. USMA '50, assigned to MacDill AFB. Harris and Gretchen **Scherer** are back in Sarasota, Fla.,; they, the Ike **Lawrences,** and the Walt **Winns** are reported to be back on the party route. In Aug., Lil and Toots **Frederick** gave up the pleasure of gardening and manicuring a lawn to live in an apartment in Belleaire Bluffs, near Clearwater, Fla. Skag and Billie **Faine** took a bus tour of the Pacific Northwest last July. Packy **McFarland,** of Scottsdale, Ariz., says that he raises orchids as a business, not a hobby, but he didn't publish a statement of his net profits.

Pewee **Collier** reported that George **Elms** hoped to spend a lot of time (not money) at the races in Ruidoso, N.M.; and Ote and Nina **Wood** returned to Albuquerque from the Reunion via New Orleans. Bob **Gard's** son, COL Bob Jr. recently returned from Vietnam, where he was Arty Comdr of the 9th Inf Div; his new assignment is with the AGS in the Pentagon. Chic and Elsie **Noble** spent the summer at Laguna Beach, Calif., as they have done every year, with few exceptions, since 1938. Rhoda and Bob **Springer** spent the summer with their daughter, Patricia Nelson, in Boulder, Colo.

Count **Wilson** had a cataract operation on 1 eye; he wrote that he is getting along fine. He also reported that Jack and Betty **Vance** had a "Lunar Landing" luncheon on 20 July for Babe and Ruth **Ruth** and Count and Dorothy **Wilson** at the **Vance** home in Corte Madera, Calif.; and Roy and Sonia **Green** stopped in San Francisco while on their way to Hawaii. Fred **Drury** wrote that he was unable to attend the Reunion because 1 of his sons was returning from overseas for a visit at that time. Fred's older son, Fred, has recently renewed for 3 years his contract to remain with the American Cement Co. in the Philippines. The other son, Dick, is a COL in the AF, now attending the AWC. Betty and Fred are enjoying Rossmoor, although he misses not having a job.

Elton **Hammond** passed out cigars in celebration of the birth of his and Georgina's 9th grandchild and 6th grandson, Thomas Wick, on 30 June; Tom's mother, Diane, is staying with the Hammonds while her husband, CPT Peter Wick, is in Vietnam. Pierre Agnew, June '18, wants to buy a copy of his Class HOWITZER; anyone interested should please notify Dick **Ovenshine.**

We regret to report that Constance **Lavagnino,** Larry's widow, died in Mar. 1969; she had been living in San Francisco. And Bob **Montague's** widow, Mary who had been living in Louisville, died in Aug. '69.

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The 16 classmates attending the 8 Sept. luncheon at the Washington, D.C. A-N Club were delighted to hear the report of Clovis **Byers** and Terry **Tully** that within a week of sending out 50th Reunion Memo No. 1, 88 replies had been received; that 77 of 83 classmates would attend with 67 wives and that 4 of 5 widows responding intended to be present. If replies continue as they have started, the number could be almost doubled.

The Sept. luncheon was further cheered by the presence of Bugs **Raymond,** visiting a daughter in Falls Church, and by Chit **Chitterling** recently moved to Annapolis, Md. Bugs retains his noted ebullience even though he made this appearance without his piccolo. He seemed quite reconciled to his vision impairment. Others attending the luncheon were **Cassidy, Dillon, Downing, Farrell, Fisher, George, Holle,** J. D. **Mitchell,** W. L. **Mitchell, Rehm, Samouce** and **Stratton.** We also had 16 members present at the July luncheon. Those present and not already mentioned were **Cullum, Gillette, Lemnitzer** and R. S. **Trimble.** Jim **Cullum** was returning from buying property in the vicinity of Antigua, West Indies, and found it convenient to be in Washington on the 2d Monday.

This past July Gus **Vogel** spent a few days at Walter Reed with a kidney stone attack. He's still busy with his bulb growing enterprise, but he and Mary are considering retiring from farm life.

Russ **Eastman,** in a letter to **Holle,** told of finding John **Russell's** widow, Lucille, living in Hollywood, Fla. John died in Huntington, W.Va. in 1967. **Holle** is having remarkable success in locating classmates and widows of heretofore unknown address. R.H. **Reece,** was found to be a retired LTC, USAF, living in Pleasant Ridge, Mich.

Park **Herrick** who is assisting in locating widows of unknown address reports that he and Mrs. **Herrick** are enjoying good health in Ft. Collins, Colo. Bob **Watt** has moved to 4642 Van Dyke Ave., San Diego after spending 29 years in the same house.

Jack **Goff** writes that he and Alma had seen many classmates in Fla. last winter and that on the way home visited Larry **Bartlett** in El Paso, Ruth **Schabacker** in Tucson, Bob and Betty **Kreuter** in Santa Monica and Bill and Bea **Holder** in Santa Barbara and found all in the pink of health. Jack says that he has occasional golf with George **Bare,** Hippo **Swartz** and Ray **Welch** with Ray calling most of the low scores and that he and Alma are looking forward to the 50th. Their son Scott plays 1st flute in the Seattle Symphony this year.

Claude **McQuarrie's** son C.M. Jr. is assigned to the 2d Div in Korea and on the list for BG, probably the 1st Class son to wear stars.

Bill **Coe** reports that Kay is recovering from a broken leg and ankle sustained from a fall at their cottage at Virginia Beach in July. Bill is busy with his brokerage firm, Mackall and Coe.

Lyman **Lemnitzer** and Kay are back in the U.S. since he relinquished the post of Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, last 1 July. Although nominally retired from active duty he remained full time with the SHAPE Liaison Office in the Pentagon clearing up matters incident to the turnover of command and was only able to get to his home in Honesdale, Pa., for 2 weeks on 8 Sept., in order to sort out household effects and prepare the family residence for part-time occupancy. Since returning from Europe, they have been living in their house in N.W. Washington.

On 3 July, Lem was honored by a review at Ft. Myer followed by a reception for him and Kay given by the Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Resor and GEN and Mrs. West-

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moreland. All of Lem's classmates and their wives in the Washington area were invited to the review and to the reception. Attendance was so large and guests so widely scattered that not all attending could be recognized.

On 11 July, in the Rose Garden of the White House, Lem was accorded the unprecedented honor of being awarded simultaneously the Distinguished Service Medals of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. President Nixon made complimentary and laudatory remarks. Secretary of Defense Laird read the citation, and Lem responded graciously and aptly showing clearly the great pride and satisfaction he had from the opportunity to serve as he did, from cadet service onward, as well as his gratitude for the honor betowed. Cabinet members and congressmen and many other civil and military officials attended. Among those well known to classmates were Generals Jacob L. Devers '09 and Alfred M. Gruenther '19. Kay stood by Lem's side. Their 2 children, Bill and Lois and 3 grandchildren were on hand. A well deserved and fitting climax to 51 years in uniform. By Lem's invitation, John and Julia Mitchell had the unexpected pleasure for the Class at the ceremony.

Bill **Withers** in a letter to **Holle** furnishes the following items: Art **McCullough** and Marge are spending the summer at their place on Twin Lakes in N.E. Pennsylvania. (Lem said that he expected to see Art during his stay in Honesdale); Harry **Wisehart** lives in Junction, Tex., and with his son operates a local radio station; Dick **Singer** has retired from his position as Building Superintendent for the United Services Auto Association in San Antonio where he did a wonderful job in a complex undertaking, managing a very large office building. Dick was president of the state organization of Building Superintendents. Bill and Bunk are looking forward to the 50th.

It seems that as our Golden Anniversary comes nearer sad news comes more often. Sometimes such news arrives as a note on mail returned to class officers by the post office, "addressee deceased." It is hoped that relatives or friends having knowledge of the death or serious illness of a classmate, wife or widow will let one of the Class officers know in order that all interested may be informed.

Belated news comes of the death of COL Escalus E. **Elliott** in Columbus, Ohio, 26 Dec. 1968 from a heart attack. The widow June Sara Hebel continues at their home in Columbus. He leaves sons Harold Hebel and E.E. Jr. Our sympathy goes to all. Chet **Hine's** wife Eunice Murthe died 15 Mar. this year and was buried in Arlington.

Louise, wife of Lloyd W. **Reese**, Ex-1920, died in Lima, Ohio, 5 May. She and Lloyd attended our 45th Reunion. Their son Robert M., USMA '45, is LTC Retired.

COL Donald B. **Herron** died from a heart attack in Orlando, Fla., 22 June. Fred **Pitts** sent news of the funeral. He and Newt **Jacobs**, living in the Orlando area, and Crump **Garvin**, visiting there, attended and were honorary pallbearers at the burial services in Winter Park. Our sympathy goes to Don's widow, Louise L., daughter, Mrs. Robert H. Roth, and 4 grandchildren.

We of the Washington group have lost another of our faithful members. BG Frederic L. **Hayden** died 27 July in George Washington Hospital after a series of heart attacks occurring over the past few years but lately with greater frequency and intensity with several hospitalizations. Until the last, Fred always seemed to rebound and enthusiastically attended all Class functions. Burial was in Arlington cemetery 30 July with the following classmates in attendance: **Burns, Byers, Coe, Denson, Farrell, Holle, Lemnitzer, Samouce** and **Stratton** with their wives, and **Cassidy, Downing, Fisher, George, Gillette, McGaw,** J.D. **Mitchell,** W.L. **Mitchell, Seybold** and **Tully.** Several were among the honorary pallbearers. His widow, Mildred, son John H. of South Bend, Ind., and brother, COL James L., Apr. '17, have our sympathy.

COL John A. **Poulson** USAF, USMA '49, son of our Volney **Poulson,** died of a heart attack on 23 Aug. in Arlington (Va.) Hospital. Volney, our engineer in Nicaragua, was prevented by illness from attending the funeral ceremonies at Arlington Cemetery.

Eddie **McGaw** was in the area visiting his daughter, Mrs. Allen Jones, wife of COL Jones USMA '43. Eddie has been active in keeping track of our classmates' widows and among others reports having recently seen Billo's widow in San Francisco. While here he attended a class governing committee meeting at the A-N Club 30 July.

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This past summer I tried to contact a few classmates during my travels, but Granger **Anderson** really did a job. Sometimes I think that Granger should be our Scribe. He doesn't wait for the Classmates' news to come to him, he goes out and gets it by personal contact. Last 6 June he and his lovely wife, Lucile, started out of Southfield (near Detroit) Mich., and drove west across Canada through Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, Vancouver, and Victoria. They then headed south down the west coast to San Francisco and Los Angeles, then east to Las Vegas, El Paso, San Antonio, Austin, Dallas, Memphis, and points in between before heading home. They covered 9,300 miles, and it took more than 4 weeks. It is one thing to make such a trip and quite another to contact classmates en route. The **Andersons** stayed with, or had breakfast, lunch, cocktails or dinner with, or just talked on the phone with: **McClenaghan,** Ham **Meyer, Pirkey, Stephens, Price** (no one answered the phone) Ila **Svihra,** Geo **Taylor,** Joe **Grant,** Harlan **Taylor** (Ex-Oriole) **Yale, Thomson, Wardlaw, Spry,** (no answer, up north fishing) **Marcus, Sullivan, Gregory, Pierce, Mudgett, Hein, Hensey, Ficklen,** Bob **Taylor, Lynch, Roumaggi, Douglass** and widows of **Wood** and **Crandel.** That covers almost everybody west of the Mississippi River.

1921-22: Left to right: Jimmy Spry, King Salmon, Queen Salmon, Benny Chidlaw. Ed. Note: These may be salmon in Alaska, but in Florida they are minnows and are used for bait.

While at Cape Cod this past summer I attended a cocktail party given by Mr. and Mrs. **Ferguson.** In a conversation with Mr. **Ferguson** it developed that he is an Ex-Oriole. He resigned in Feb. 1919 and attended M.I.T. The **Fergusons** have a lovely home in Barnstable overlooking Cape Cod Bay. You never know when you will meet an Ex-Oriole.

While at the Cape also, the **Haases** took the boat out of Hyannis for Nantucket Island where Allie and Fritz **Lee** met us and took us to their home at Siasconset. To our surprise Mrs. John R. Eakin (formerly Maud **Raynesford**) was there visiting the **Lees.** Maudie looked just as pretty as she did as a cadet girl. The Lees are most gracious hosts and while our visit was short (we had to get the afternoon boat back to the mainland) we had lunch, did a lot of talking and went on a sightseeing trip around Nantucket Island. The Lees have a most charming cottage, and Fritz keeps busy doing an excellent gardening job.

After leaving the Cape and while visiting friends in Conn. I spoke with Eddie **Clark** on the phone. Eddie said he had not been feeling well. I hope by now he is up-en-at-em again and will write me about his doings as he promised.

We finally located Dewitt **McLallen.** With this bit of info I now have correct addresses of all living Orioles, some widows and Ex-Orioles. I propose to get out a new address list in the near future, perhaps even before this appears in print.

Pat **O'Flaherty's** son, Dennis, married the daughter of Jack Dempsey, former world heavy weight champion. Thru Mr. Dempsey I located Dennis who wrote me that his mother, Helen, passed away 15 Mar. 1966. I am sorry to learn this and on behalf of the Class I extend to all the **O'Flahertys** our belated sympathy.

Toy **Gregory** reports he is back in the saddle again, almost as good as new. Hank **Tyler** had to undergo major surgery, and his recuperation has been slow. Let's hope by the time he reads this he will have been fully recovered.

Last Aug. Bill and Dot **Kyle** went to Honolulu to visit with their son and his family. Bill Jr. is Far East Regional Manager for a large Cleveland concern with headquarters in Tokyo, Japan. Four years ago Bill and Dot went to Tokyo to visit with their son then 2 years ago the son and his family came to Fla. so this year they split the difference and met on neutral ground.

Prior to the family reunion Dot and Bill **Kyle** went on a 6-week junket to Europe. London, Cophenhagen, Amsterdam, Switzerland, Spain and Portugal were a few of the places they visited. On a card dated 7 June he wrote, "Couldn't help but think of Max **Taylor** yesterday—the 25th anniversary of his dropping into St. Mere Eglise. He, Bradley, and many others were back for the programs."

The **Giles Carpenters** were on the move again, this time in their Chris-Craft. They left Williamsburg on 16 June, came up the

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Chesapeake Bay, thru the Del. and N.J. Canals, then up the Hudson River to the N.Y. Barge Canal and Oswego Canal to Lake Ontario. They took a side trip up the Rideau Canal from Kingston, Canada. They returned home by way of the St. Lawrence Seaway, Richelieu River, Lake Champlain, the Hudson River and retraced their route back to Williamsburg. This must have taken a bit of navigating, but it must have been most enjoyable.

Tommy **Thomson** and his wife, Lorraine, went out to Santa Barbara, Calif. in 1960 to coach the U.S. Equestrian Olympic team (his 5th) and he took the team to the Rome Olympics. They liked Santa Barbara so much that they decided to stay. They bought an old Spanish home on top of a hill plus a few acres. Tommy still rides his horses, judges horse shows, and plays polo every Sunday. A lot of us can't swing a golf club to say nothing of swinging a polo mallet on the back of a horse. Tommy had donated one or more of his trophies to the Academy, and they are on display in the Cadet library. The **Thomsons** are definitely going to be present for our 50th Anniversary in 1972.

Which reminds us that the 50th Reunion Class has priority at the Thayer Hotel. Here is our chance for all Orioles to get together once again under one roof. You will recall our Class trips to Fishers Island, the Ordnance Arsenals etc., when we were together as a Class. Start planning now even tho it is still 2½ years away. At our age time passes quickly, and June 1972 will be here only too soon.

Still on the matter of June 1972, in the Spring Issue of this magazine I asked for an expression of opinion on Ham **Meyer's** suggestion that we raise a fund to help some of our members finance their travel to West Point so they might attend our 50th Reunion. I regret to report that only two replies were received and both were favorable. I personally think it is a good idea and would be willing to make a contribution. So once again I ask that you please write me so that a determination can be made as to whether this subject should be pursued further.

Despite Benny **Chidlaw's** twisted knee and Jimmy **Spry's** bum back they managed to catch a lot of salmon and rainbow trout up Ak. way last summer. There is a $20,000.00 tourney held in Alaska each year for salmon fishermen. Ben is going after the big fish and BIG MONEY next year, and I hope to report him the winner.

Bob **Murphy** has been working on his hobby of geneology. He gave up the idea of trying to run down his **Murphy** ancestors, there are just too many of them. Bob's mother was a Storey, and he has found it most interesting to have been able to trace his mother's lineage back to a John Storey of County Cork, Ireland, in 1671. It took a lot of research, correspondence, and two trips to the Emerald Isle to accomplish this fact.

While typing these notes I received a letter from Oscar **Beal.** Oscar says he is in great shape. Keeps busy trout fishing and doesn't have to go to Ak. to do it either. He hopes to attend the 50th. The Frank **Crarys** have finally seen the light and have moved to Boca Raton, Fla. Welcome to the Sunshine State!

Charlie **Dobbs** writes that he has two (2) great-grandchildren. That makes a total of 4 in the class. Charlie had taught school for 30 years until he retired in 1959. He then started working at land surveying and hopes to continue at it.

Johnny and Edna **Johnson** went on a trip to the West Coast. They had dinner with the Ham **Meyers** at the Cliff Hotel in San Francisco, and Ham beat Johnny to the check. Now that is an accomplishment, because one has to be quick to outsmart Johnny when it comes to picking up the tab. He usually has it all prearranged. Then on 15 Aug. the **Johnsons** had dinner with the **Yales** and **Millers** at Del Monte Lodge, Carmel. It so happened that both Johnny's and Slater's birthdays fall on the same date. So the dinner party turned out to be a birthday party, and the Lodge furnished a birthday cake for the occasion. The cake was not large enough to hold all 139 candles (70 for Johnny and 69 for Slater). Our belated best wishes to you both, Happy Birthday. Epilogue: No record of who picked up the tab.

A short time after hurricane Camille hit Miss. I called Jake **Stewart** on the phone to inquire about how he fared. Jake said that he had seen all kinds of devastation caused by bombs etc. during the war in the Pacific, but it did not compare to that caused by Camille in southern Miss. The **Stewarts** live in Ocean Springs not far from Biloxi. Jake said that the destruction to his property was not as great as in other parts. He suffered a damaged roof on his house, several hundred trees up-rooted (he has 11 acres) and completely ruined his garden which he considers his worst loss. Jake had a show garden, it is his hobby. People came from miles around to see it. He lectured on gardening. Camille was the worst hurricane ever to hit the U.S. The **Stewarts** despite their losses consider they were lucky that their damage was not more severe.

On 20 Aug. I wrote a letter to all those in the Class who had not yet made a donation to the Class Memorial Fund. There were 20. As of this date (10 Sept.) 7 have answered leaving 13 still to hear from. While .350 is a good batting average in baseball, it is not good enuf for a fund raising average. So those who have not answered my letter even at this late date please do so immediately.

As of this date again (10 Sept.) the fund stands at $5,482.77 (cash $4,902.77 and plegdes $580.00) Orval **Cook** informed me that the contract for the construction of the memorial is ready for execution and work on the project will start immediately after the old John Hancocks are affixed.

Orval and Minna **Cook** took off for a month's trip to Europe on 1 Sept. They want to visit a lot of places they missed while stationed there as well as some of the old haunts. When you get back tell us about it.

Morris **Marcus** was operated on at Letterman Hospital for appendicitis last Aug. It was very serious because it was not diagnosed in time and became abscessed. We hope he is well on the road to recovery by now.

I regret to report that Bob **Pierce** died 3 Oct. after a long illness. Burial was at West Point on 7 Oct. Frank **Greene,** the Charlie **Branhams,** and Gim **Mudgett** were among those attending the graveside services.

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After the locals drifted back from various parts of the world, we started Class luncheons on 26 Sept. Currently they are scheduled for the 3d Wed. of Nov., Feb. and Apr. In Oct., Jan. and Mar. we meet with the local West Point Society, and for May we plan a mixed party.

A plaque to provide a permanent record of the Cadet who wins our award to the member of the graduating class who shows outstanding leadership, sportsmanship, and ability in competitive swimming has now been placed in the new pool room. You will recall that when the Class was asked to consider presenting this plaque, **Breidster** requested that the Class permit him to do so on our behalf. The Washington group accepted his offer. While we thought the installation should not be delayed, we felt the existence of the plaque and Fritz's role in making it a reality should be formally recognized. Accordingly, we asked Fritz to agree to a dedication at the 47½ Reunion. He agreed, and that is now on the program. Intercollegiate swimming got its real start with our Class, and Fritz was the first formal team captain.

In a letter about the plaque Fritz noted that he and Roma had made a trip north with their children and grandchildren and that the mosquitoes had been so bad that he now knows the answer to his old song: "I'd like to Know Where Mosquitoes Go."

TAPS

Metz **Seebach** died in Washington on 15 July. You may recall that his wife died a year or so ago. One son, Timothy, was retired as a result of injuries in an automobile accident immediately after graduation, the other son, Frederick, is in business that takes him out of the country a large part of the time. Our Class was represented at the services held in Arlington.

AUTHOR! AUTHOR!

Jim **Fry** has now a second successful book! Both civilian and military reviewers acclaim his "Combat Soldier" published by the National Press, a splendid story of how WW II was fought. It is hailed as a straightforward and realistic account of how one regiment fought its way up the Italian peninsula. Jim has autographed copies for others; I'm sure he'll be glad to do the same for you.

ANYONE FOR JOGGING?

In previous notes I told you that Dave **Fowler** has parlayed his cross-country running into jogging and is prepared to send you a good piece of poop on the subject. Recently "Deke" **Stone** sent in a clipping showing that our hero was the oldest competitor in a 3-mile race for seniors in the San Diego Championships. Though he finished last, Dave shared the best applause from the crowd of 1,200 with the winner, a kid of 52.

In a later note "Deke" told of a visit to **Carter** who was retired physically in 1952. Though somewhat slowed up, Jim still has his wavy hair and a friendly attitude. It seems that Jim's wife, a son, and champion show-cats make up the Carter menage.

"Deke" also reports that his son, Dave, is in VN. While the young man has no wish to stay in the Service beyond his enlistment, his frequent promotions give the **Stones** a sound basis for pride in his service. Young Dave hopes that the campus dissidents get over their foolishness before he goes back to school when his time is up.

WHAT ABOUT IT?

Deke has raised the question of what we might do to locate the several members of our Class for whom we have no current addresses. They include: **Hennessey, Kerr, Sullivan,** and **Voedisch.** In addition, the AOG has no address for **Graffin,** and ours has been non-productive. After quoting Slam **Marshall,** Deke indicated he would help out on a search for the people listed above. If you have any relative information, give it to Deke or me, please, Sirs!

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GUTSY GUY

After noting that he has 20 grandsons and 9 granddaughters, total 29, NOT 23 as I reported recently A.D. **Raymond** says, "I never go out. I spend all my time sitting in a wheelchair. I have multiple sclerosis which the doctors can't cure. I am right handed, but I type with one finger on my left hand . . . I have to type my name, as I can't write with my right." I saw A.D. about 2 years ago. Even then he demonstrated the courage which the above comments show.

ABOUT PEOPLE HERE AND THERE

After reporting that his San Antonio platoon does not create news, **Schlatter** notes that, among the golfers, **Myers** is a low 80s shooter, that he and **Lawrence** are still active in the Daedalians, that Shorty **Keane** is trying to drum up a group for the Texas A and M Game, and that "Punch" is now a bird COL in AF operations in Saigon. He then adds the news that Punkie **Jamison** has done a 6 by 9 mural for the new Bexar County Hospital and that her miniatures have been on display in the North Star Mall. She is a Tex. Grandma Moses says **Schlatter.**

Speaking of artists, Marcella Combes **Winslow** was the subject of a color feature in the "Washington Star" on 20 July.

Scheetz reports that despite eating well from his own garden, **Dwyer** has reduced his weight from 218 to 198 and is trying to lose more. **Bloome's** new address is: Martha Washington Hotel, 1636 King St., Jacksonville, Fla. 32204.

As in San Antonio, here, and I suspect most other places where our Class is represented, golf seems to be a major avocation. **Harmony** reports that he made and collected on a bet that he could give O.C. **Stewart** tips that would take 10 strokes off his score. I don't know if those tips are available nor do I know the price. One of you might ask Jazz. Shim **Reid** is less flattering about Jazz's bridge. In a recent letter he asked me to quote certain parts. I wasn't quite sure which he meant so I quote a whole paragraph. "I am hoping to beat Jack **Harmony** to the denouement. Kay and I spent the weekend of 8-11 Aug. with Marion and Jack in San Francisco. As usual Marion was a charming hostess—Jack a very thoughtful host—but still a lousy bridge player! When I was packing the car preparatory to our departure, I grabbed about 4 hangers worth of Kay's dresses and inadvertently included a hanger with a sport jacket belonging to Jack. Not until we got back to Santa Barbara did I become aware of my error. We have already confessed to the **Harmonys.** BUT DON'T let Jack try to tell you that I accepted his hospitality and then stole his jacket!"

Shim also informs us that his daughter, Peggy Ann, is now Mrs. R.E. Mays living in Darien, Conn. His son just completed a tour in VN with Special Forces and is now at Bad Tolz in Germany. Shim added some kind words about our column for which I am grateful. The **Pierce's** son, Bill, is also a new arrival in Germany.

EXPLORERS!

On my insistence J.C. **King** gave me the following information: "Franne and I have recently returned from an expedition to the Amazon Basin to collect approximately 40 varieties of plants which reputedly have interesting medicinal qualities, according to the folklore of the region.

"We flew to Iquitos, Peru, a town of 100,000 population on the Upper Amazon, then sailed down river aboard the "Frannewood III," an 80-foot, diesel-powered shallow-bottomed river boat, ideal for our purposes.

1923: W.G. Johnson presents our swimming award to Cadet Peter Heesch Jr., June Week 1969.

Altogether, we did about 1,300 miles in 3 weeks, with intermediate stops at Leticia, Colombia, and several small Brazilian ports, terminating at Manaus, Brazil, a booming city of 250,000 people. The weather was magnificent, very little rain, brilliant sunsets, and delightfully cool nights. Incidentally, our mission was successful, and the plants collected are now being processed."

MEMORIAL ARTICLES

Recently **Whitson** completed an article on Hogan **Rowland** and forwarded it to the AOG. He did this as part of a program we began some time ago to arrange for articles for ASSEMBLY on deceased classmates, especially those lost during war periods, on whom an article has not yet been provided. The response has been good where we located and enlisted someone who knew the classmate quite well. Those who have helped in this matter assure us that they considered the effort well worth while. We asked for volunteers because in most cases we have no sure way of knowing who might be helpful. The volunteer response has been disappointing. May we again ask you to look over the Class list in the Register, and if you find a name on which you might be helpful to let **Timberman, Moody,** or me know. We will give you ideas on how to proceed.

GO AND DO THOU LIKEWISE!

I'm sure that many of you were as browned-off as I was by a derogatory blurb on military justice that appeared in the "Washington Star" 12 Aug. You probably thought you ought to write the editor about it. So did I, but I didn't! One of our classmates did! **Craigie** neatly and in a gentlemanly way informed the writer, Orr Kelly, that he was guilty of "throwing rocks from a safe distance." Most of us feel that such letters do little good. Individuals and organizations in the influence business here in Washington, however, assure us that they are very effective indeed in causing the attackers to think more responsibly and in strengthening the hands of those who are ready to support the Armed Services and what they represent. If ever the services needed support, now is that time! Nice work, Bill!

1923: Our Swimming Award Plaque.

NUPTIALS, PAST AND PRESENT

On 26 July the children of Herb and Marian **Enderton** held an open house to celebrate their parents' 40th wedding anniversary. I had several glowing reports on that event. The **Buckleys, Garrechts, McGehees, Pitzers, Prices, Palmers, Pierces, Peseks** and **Harmonys** participated along with a flock of other friends of the **Endertons.** I asked the **Endertons** for a picture but was informed that at the time they had none showing the leading characters.

The present nuptials occurred on 6 Sept. when Dorothy Colburn Olds and I were married here in Washington. Among the many more or less humorous incidents that related to this event was the fact that Bailey, Banks and Biddle have lost the die for our Class miniature. Accordingly Dorothy is without an engagement ring. Since I am sentimental about it being a miniature, I tried various sources to no avail. Does any of you have, or know of, a miniature that I might arrange for? We can work out a plan about the stone.

As a fringe benefit of this wedding, I gain a Classmate as a brother-in-law. Dorothy is John **Salsman's** sister-in-law. The wives of classmates who know Dorothy emphasize how fortunate I am. I agree and believe you will all feel that '23 has gained a charming distaff member. Dorothy and I have just moved our household GODS into the town house at the address shown at the head of this column. Right now it looks like some of the ransacked homes and warehouses I saw in Europe in WW II but we have confidence we can eventually square it all away so we are playing golf this afternoon.

LOOKING AHEAD

Wendel **Johnson's** planning for the 47½ Reunion was slowed down by his annual trek to Maine for the summer. He will have news for us shortly. In the meantime, J.C. **King** has arranged to "honshu" preparations for the 50th. B-Food **Serff** has already sent in ideas on which we will be working. If you have any suggestions or better yet, can offer any help, get in touch with Johnny or J.C. They need support!

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It is with the deepest regret that we report the following deaths: Robert J. **McBride** died on 21 June 1969 at Broward General Hospital, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Funeral services were held at Ft. Myer Chapel and burial with full military honors was in Arlington on 26 June. The honorary pallbearers included 9 of Bob's classmates.

Mrs. Ovid T. **Forman** (Nancy) died of cancer at the US Army Hospital at West Point. Services were held at the Old Cadet Chapel,

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1924: At Ft. Sam Houston, left to right, Eyerly, Darling, McHugh, Boatner, Kessinger, Cullen, Wrockloff, Traywick, Morrow, and Stokes.

and she was buried in the USMA Cemetery on 27 June 1969.

Mrs. John G. **Hill** (Selma) died at Walter Reed Hospital on 8 Aug. 1969. She was buried in Arlington on 11 Aug. following services at Ft. Myer Chapel. A number of John's classmates were among the honorary pallbearers. The Class extends its deepest sympathy to the bereaved families.

President Ray **Beurket** has appointed a committee consisting of Clyde **Eddleman**, Chairman, Art **Trudeau**, Herb **Vogel**, and Peyton **McLamb** to recommend a project to be sponsored solely by the Class, from funds raised by the Class, which would be dedicated during our 50th Reunion. This project is to be in the nature of a lasting memorial given by the Class of 1924.

Our thanks to George **Lightcap** who remained after our Reunion to present in behalf of Emma **Marcus** the Colonel David **Marcus** Memorial Award to the outstanding boxer in the graduating class. The award is an engraved silver tray. George sailed shortly thereafter on a month-long North Cape cruise on the "Kungsholm."

Unfortunately Emma **Marcus'** eyesight has not returned. A ceremony on 3 July at her home paid great tribute to the memory of Mickey on the occasion of their 42d wedding anniversary. The Consul of Israel in New York City presented Emma with a miniature scale replica of the monument erected to Mickey about 10 miles west of Jerusalem and paid honor to his heroism. About 20 relatives and friends attended, among them Charlie and Mair **Stevenson**.

The **Stevensons** now have 8 grandchildren. Their daughter named her 4th child, born on 18 June 1969, John Matthew Hock. Congratulations all around. Walter **French** was feted at a gala birthday party by a number of his golfing buddies on 12 July to celebrate his 70th! The Tom **Malins** were among those present. It is reliably reported that Walter is soon to become a great-grandfather. Wally **Merrill** says he is "leading a carefree bachelor's life, playing golf too much and eating and drinking too much" while Dot is vacationing in Rome.

Charlie and Hazel **Van Way** convalesced from their highly successful (and no doubt, arduous) Reunion arrangements with some R & R that included attending the wedding in New York City of 2 of Charlie's former students, then visiting Fts. Hamilton, Hancock, Miles, Story, and Monroe. "No schedules, no problems, no nothing. Better even than Wally **Merrill's** summer." Safer, too, probably.

"The Changing 'Point'—U.S. Military Academy Struggles to Maintain Traditional Prestige—Applicants in Short Supply Despite Steps to Improve Courses, Faculty Training—Miseries of the Plebe Year." So run the headlines of an interesting article by a staff reporter in the "Wall Street Journal" of Wed. 18 June 1969.

Herb **Vogel** attended the 40th anniversary celebration of the Waterways Experiment Station at Vicksburg, Miss., on 18 June. Herb was not only the founder of the Station but spent 4½ years there. It has developed into the principal research and development engineering tool of the Corps of Engineers in its field.

Yes, Peyton **McLamb** did find Esther—of all places, peacefully sleeping in their room at the Holiday Inn when he finally returned. They drove home (40 miles) after the Fri. night Reunion dinner but were so lonesome for the Herd that they drove back again Sat. morning, using as an excuse that this time Peyton couldn't find his hat!

Ray **Beurket's** "horn-blowing" in the last Bulletin about the number of A Co members at the Reunion prompted Bill **O'Connor** to point out that there were also 11 members of I Co present—Windsor **Davis**, George **Duerr**, Cary **Hutchinson**, Frank **Kreidel**, J.G. **Moore**, Bill **O'Connor**, Pat **Pasolli**, Charlie **Royce**, Peter **Shunk**, Art **Trudeau**, and Peyton **McLamb**. (George **Duerr** was the cadet captain of L Co our last year but we don't blame I Co for still claiming him.)

Bob **Paton** has left Cleveland and is now living in Winchester, Va. Loomis and Nancy **Booth** purchased property in Malaga where they are building a house to be near their daughter Betty and her Spanish husband, and 4 grandchildren—who were promptly assigned to New York for 3 years. The **Booths** will divide their time between the new home and their apartment in Washington where their son, C.L. Jr. is the vice-president and manager, investment department, of the American Security & Trust Co.

Your Class secretary and his secretary (officially Monro and Betty **MacCloskey**) will spend Sept. visiting Rome, Florence, Venice, Nice, Paris, and London to celebrate the completion of another book and their 44th wedding anniversary.

Leo **Vichules** is a patient in the Veterans' Hospital in Sepulveda, Calif., where he is busily engaged in caring for and feeding the small animals used by the lab at the hospital. He is reportedly in good physical shape and is happy doing a job that is a real service.

Sandy **Goodman** sent in an unsolicited manuscript, "The Air Wagon Train," recounting his adventures flying to and from the Reunion, which is either science-**fiction** or the AF has slipped a bit since all Herdsmen members have retired. The hilarious epic is published in toto in our Fall Bulletin. Sandy's wife has always been called by her nickname, Jo, but in Ventura Marina Park there are so many Jo's, Joans, Joyces, etc., that if Sandy shouts "Hey, Jo," he gets 16 responses. So "Jo" is now Yvonne, her given name. To the many admirers (?) who remarked about Sandy's sideburns at the Reunion, he says as soon as they reach a certain length he hopes to transplant them to some wide open spaces on the top of his head!

Charlie and Daisy **Royce** have landed on the moon. This is Charlie's very gallant attempt to appear modest about the happy event: "Charles H. Royce II arrived at DeWitt General Hospital, Ft. Belvoir, on 18 June. Child, mother, and father are doing fine. I believe the grandparents will, in time, completely recover. He was christened in the West Point Chapel on 12 July. To classmates with great-grandchildren, or to Tom **Allen** with 23(?) grandchildren—or even Zero **Wilson** with only 11—1 grandchild would seem old hat, but I'm sure that all will agree that the first grandchild is a V.I.P.I.—Very Important person—Indeed!"

Edward Hart **Adams** arrived at Walter Reed on 17 June, exactly on target for Eddie **Hart's** birthday, while Charles H. **Royce** II on 18 June was 1 day late to celebrate his grandfather's natal day. However, C.H.R. II weighed more than E.H.A., so . . .

Our Army trunk locker archives still contain 14 copies of our excellent Thirty-Year Book, which are offered at $2.50 each. What a memento for some of these grandchildren. (Besides your Class secretary is still trying to reduce the deficit resulting from our 45th Reunion.)

We recently received via Ralph **Glasgow** a colorful advertisement from a certain classmate in Ventura—name withheld to protect the guilty—for a "Big Sale! Buffalo Meat!" The sender suggested that since Ralph lives so near our Alma Mater he should forward the ad to the West Point mess to inform them that "there are other sources from which to procure those Buffalo steaks that were the feature of the recent Alumni Dinner." Is he hinting the meat was a little fibrous?

Charlie **Palmer** phoned to say that Eddie **White** had been in Washington for a week, but was in seclusion at Walter Reed while some tests were being made. He promises to be more sociable next time. Wendell **Blanchard** and Miss Frances Sherman were married on Saturday, 28 June 1969 in Washington and will live in Chevy Chase. Congratulations, Wendell, and welcome to our group, Fran.

Howie **Ker** advises that he has had successful cataract operations on both eyes and

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is now in fighting form. He and Henri(etta) are planning to move to Fla. this fall. Sorry to lose them from the Washington area. Charlie and Jean **Palmer** vacationed at the delightful Lake Placid Club this summer but returned in time to greet young Charles when he got back from summer camp in N.H.

Jim and Mildred **Moore** have been happily running a family hotel. Children and grandchildren assembled from Germany, S.C., and Carlisle, Pa., for a month at the **Moores'** house, making 23 on the register. Jim says there wasn't a dull moment.

Max and Betty **Tracy's** daughter Jeanne will be married to Don Robert Richards Jr. at Howe, Ind., on 30 Aug. They will live in San Jose, Calif., while Don completes his last year of college, which was interrupted while he served 3 years in the Armed Forces. Jeanne graduated Phi Beta Kappa with honors from William and Mary and received a Ph.D. in Slavic languages from Indiana U. this spring.

Doug and Kitty **Smith** had a wonderful summer in Europe and are presently occupying themselves with the beautiful 31-foot fiberglass Chris Craft cruiser they have just purchased. On 1 July the 36th Infantry, in an impressive ceremony, dedicated its museum and parade field at Friedberg, Germany, to the memory of our classmate, COL William Wallace **Cornog** Jr.

Ralph **Glasgow** came to our Aug. Class luncheon flanked by his 2 handsome and strapping sons. Ralph Jr. is a mechanical engineer with General Electric in Louisville and Robert E. (LTC, Inf.) is currently assigned to the Combat Development Command, Ft. Belvoir.

1925: The ladies joined at an A-N luncheon in D.C.

'25

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Practically all of our correspondence lately has to do with Reunion Plans. In addition to detailed discussions with '24 (Chiefly Van Way) Bill **Nutter** made a trip to WP to button up details. As usual '25 is travelling high and wide in all directions and, as usual, we will await reports (hopefully) this fall.

Bolduces, who have felt cut off from classmates since the **Underwoods** left Penn State are planning a 3-week tour of Europe via ROA Gateway Tour, K-921 leaving K. Airport on 31 Sept. Three days in London, then Amsterdam, Brussels, Mainz, Heidelberg, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Venice, Florence, Rome, Cannes, Monte Carlo, Grenoble, Paris, and home. With them Antoinette's brother (Ret. COL) George Loupert. Lucien Jr. ('50) a COL with family of 9 children and at the French War College in Paris. Daughter Anne and family (5 children) still at Bedminster, N.J.

Johnnie **Haskell** still at large but believed to be circulating around the U.S. Our D.C. Luncheons holding up well, and we continue to remind outlanders of the first Thurs. each month—the A-N (downtown) Club.

The **Clarkes** had a wonderful trip to VN as the guest of President Thieu. This was Bruce's 2d big visit, and Bessie went with him together with Dr. and Mrs. Wells. His preliminary report strictly from the red carpet starting with Ambassador Bunker at the Palace and President Thieu, then GEN Abrams, a visit to HUE and adjacent hamlets, overnight at the Thieu Guest House (formerly pad of Bao Dai), to Cam Rhan, Dulat, then return to Saigon. Bessie and Mrs. Wells visited hospitals, etc. meanwhile. Then the Cambodian border (fighting there), and afterwards the III VN Corps Hdqs. Sandwiched in a Boy Scouts meeting (8,000 in VN) and a talk on Freedom Foundation by Dr. Wells in Saigon. The finale at the Palace with discussion and reports to Pres. Thieu and 12 of his advisors (incl several Senators). En route home a visit with son Gordon (a MAJ, Engrs) who was enjoying a brief R&R with family in Honolulu. We expect Bruce will go to the Hill on this one as he did on his former tour.

Peggy and Bill **Nutter** away for a couple of weeks in the El Paso area. The Reunion Plans firmed up before Bill left, and we request you read your copy most carefully.

A very interesting co-signed menu from the Kidd Club in San Diego depicting a Class Group Steak cookout on 19 Aug. Present: Olive and Colby **Myers,** Buddy and Lief **Neprud** (who mailed the gem) Freddie and Connie **Bartz,** Sally (Sharon) and Chas. Parker (N), Pat **Henn,** Sam **Dickson** and possibly others as the writing a bit blurred. The **Nepruds** en route to El Paso after nearly a month in the Calif. area. The **Myers** expect to be in D.C. in Oct.

Jeannie and Walter **Bryte** toured Europe. After a week in Lisbon, to Paris for the great Air Show then on to the old haunts at Berchtesgaden and southern Germany. Claude **Black** had a very close call and was in Walter Reed for several weeks. Upon his return he apparently took too many stair steps and was recalled. This 2d tour really converted Claude, and now he is happily resigned to a more quiet life.

Frances **Barnett** had the misfortune to fall and crack a knee-cap while racing in from the patio to answer the telephone. She had immediate and excellent care but is obliged to endure a huge cast. Barney doubles as nurse and house maid as daughter Susan on her good position in Florida.

As of 15 Aug. the **Longs** were in Skagway, 8 days out from home base and planning a tour by train, bus, and plane (2 weeks). They were thrilled with what they had already seen and looking forward especially to the Yukon territory. We trust they'll log their trip for us (although we, personally are already several trips behind in our dream vacations).

Harry **Crandall** completed his 2d tour in WR to have his other eye cleared up and apparently well pleased. At our last luncheon he circulated around w/o glasses since his #1 eye was in such fine shape. Bill N. reported the class globe revolving majestically in the WP Library while on his fact-finding trip re Reunion Plans.

1925: One of our last June Weeks.

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The McManuses back from their extensive touring to spend a pleasant summer (many visitors and guests) at their Rehobeth Cottage. Mac sent us a very detailed log of their Fla.-Gulf Coast-Mex. touring which we will include in our final tours report. Lani and Ernie **Holmes** somewhere on the continent but expected back through here this Fall.

Hubert **Cole's** aged Mother passed away this first of the month and Hubert missed our Aug. luncheon. Many of us knew "Mother" Cole (of the Old Army) and the family have our sincere sympathy. Many of '24 at the funeral of Mrs. John Hill ('24) which was also early in the month. Ralph **Tibbetts** there as daughter is Mrs. John Hill Jr.

We expect **Crombez** here for the Great International as well as other Races this Fall. He now signs his cards "Kelso"! We encountered Alice **Tulley** in a store during our 1 week at the Beach. The **Tulley** daughter (Mrs. Grayeb Jr.) and family there for a few days. Sheik Jr. to the NWC. This was the only trip from home base for us this year and a house full of in-laws and little ones there kept us from visiting around.

In Bill **Nutter's** Pentagon Suite we met a "Miss Alaska" i.e. diminutive (and red-haired) Miss Jennifer Dunn (3½ months) who was in the careful but firm grip of a happy Grandmother. Dau-in-law (Mrs. Russ D.) down from Anchorage for 2 weeks with Marie.

Dave **Bradford** says we greatly exaggerated his ill health as he is in top form and just returned from a marvelous trip. In late June they pointed their old conestoga Westward and visited such spots as Durango, Mazatlan, Guadalajara, Lake Chapala, and San Luis Potosi. Then Monterey, Nuevo Laredo and back home (5 weeks plus 2,000 miles). Fishing and visiting en route they enjoyed a visit in Austin with Lucy and Jack **Horner** and Maurice and Pep **Peploe**. Peg and Dave see Grace **Larter** and Sue **Heacock** frequently. The **Bradfords** justly proud of son Bill, a distinguished Naval aviator who has logged 80 combat missions.

Zed **Emerson** due in D.C. again about 15 Oct. He visited son-in-law in Guadalajara in the early summer and looked over the huge Kodak plant due to be ready for operation soon. Zed learned that Audrey and Alan **Gardner** had resumed their U.S. Tour by their Clark Cortez luxury vehicle and might arrive here in the East the 1st of Oct. The son-in-law (Don Galloway) doing well in the "Ironsides" program. Zed has a number of Directors Meetings—Denver, New York, and Washington and a follow-up letter indicates they plan to attend Homecoming and the Texas A&M Game with Chicago friends to go by car from N.Y. to the Temple Motel at Vails Gate, N.Y. on 3 Oct. A note from Dwight **Harvey** that he will make Homecoming and we are sure **Saltzman, Robertson, Farwick** and **Garbisch** (not to mention many others) will be there.

Hankin's letter (APO addressed) was returned, **Boll's** also, Florence **Barlow** has moved to Clearwater, Fla., and Fran and Nick **Nicholas** must be addressed in Louisville, Ky. rather than Fla. Wiley **Moore** in the Calif. Roosmoor not Md! Florence and Joe **Cleland** have been spending some time in Madrid but will probably return to Majorca soon. They plan to be at Reunion. Dick **Clark** fully retired from City Engineer position and visiting in Colo. this month (Sept.).

Red **Willing** reported as taking things easy but still up and around. All happy to have **Claude Black** present at the Sept. luncheon

1925: At "Inverness"—the Jones—long ago.

along with: **Bailey, Barnes, Barnett, Bryte, Cabell, Clarke, Cole, Crandall, Dunford, Jones, Liwski, Nutter, Robertson,** and **Van Brunt.** (The latter to Navy Game, with party, as usual this fall).

We decided to hold our regular Class luncheon **every** repeat **every** first Thurs. *despite the Quarterly D.C. West Point luncheon* so outlanders please note.

You'll be interested to learn that the Bannerman's Island Castle was completely destroyed by fire on 8 Aug. **Boudreau** sent news clipping and pictures. Bruce **Clarke** gave a splendid résumé of his VN visit on 10 Sept. to a capacity gathering of our regular Retirees Group which meets every 2d Wed. in the same A-N Room as we hold our Class Luncheons. (Jakey Devers and several Senior officers there). The **Hopkins** just returned from vacationing at Rehobeth.

Please give us a run down on your summer and the classmates contacted. Next press release Thanksgiving week.

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As I said before, President Sims' letter to the Class of 15 May produced a bonanza for "Ye Scribe"—not only in some direct reports to me from people to him regarding the Class Award, and there is much news in these too!

As a starter, the **annual** award by the Class to the graduating Cadet who is "most distinguished in the Engineering Sciences" has been signed, sealed and delivered and is now an accomplished fact. The request for approval and financial support was over-subscribed by a comfortable margin, and presumably the 1st award will be made in June 1970. Vald **Heiberg** was unaware that the award was to be made or that it was to be named in his honor and was tremendously appreciative when informed. His letter to the many supporters was certainly most sincere and eloquent. At the last count, 89 individuals had responded with letters, and all but 4 were in favor of the award and contributed to it. This is a very high batting average—some 95%—and shows again the high esteem the Class holds for Vald! A typical reply is quoted herewith verbatim—"Dear Admiral:—This letter is to indicate my total approval of what you have done to establish a Class Award as set forth and described in your letter to the Superintendent of Oct. 31, 1968. My check to the Class Fund for $30.00 is enclosed. Cordially etc."

By the time you read these notes, the football season will be over and those who made Homecoming Game and other games will have much news to report and have crossed the paths of many classmates and friends—all for the Winter Issue. Connie and I will have seen many of you on these occasions and at this writing, it is a happy expectation!

Hazel **Toftoy** has emerged from a long silence—she has been in Huntsville, Ala., for the better part of the year—and reports that she is now back in her house on Treasure Isle, Fla. (adjacent to St. Pete). Just before leaving Huntsville recently, she had a memorable part in celebrating the Apollo 11 crew splash-down with old friends Dr. and Mrs. Wernher von Braun—as I'm sure everyone knows, von Braun had a vital part in this mission as Director of the Saturn V main propulsion system, which has functioned perfectly on every firing! The newspaper picture of the event unfortunately was not good enough to reproduce in this column. Hazel also got to Seattle recently to celebrate Ludy's father's 97th birthday! Finally she says that son, MAJ Chuck **Toftoy**, USMA '58, is back in SEA again, hopefully for the last time. Patty and the 2 babies are living in New Orleans once more, and Hazel is about to go over and see them.

Another memorable event for the Class and for Harry **Storke** was his recent retirement as President of Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, Mass. The write-ups in the newspapers were **most** complimentary —never in the history of the Institute has a Pres been retired with so many kudoes, ceremonies, receptions, etc. Harry and Lois have decided to move to "the bed-room of the Pentagon," where they have a "very small, retired-sized house" at 2209 Fordham Dr., Alexandria, Va. 22307. I am sure all the Class joins Connie and me in saying "well done" and best wishes to them both. The Washington group is getting another family and hopefully will give them a fruitful role in that center of all knowledge and initiator and leader of all Class actions!

West Coast Report—by Spud Murphy. Betsy and Hal **Forde** entertained local classmates at a 4th of July picnic at their lovely home in Los Altos—a barrel of beer, good food and much conversation made the day most pleasant. Present were the **Bradys, Hawthornes, Kirchhoffs, Murphys, Nourses, Sewalls** and **Van Syckles.** The **Brushers** were unable to attend because of Hal's slow recuperation from his 3d heart attack a year ago. News from their family though includes Patty, the youngest of their 5, who has joined the Peace Corps as an elementary school teacher for 2 yrs in Sierra Leone, Africa. She graduated with high honors this June from the College of Holy Names there in the Bay area. Bob **Kirchhoff,** oldest of the 3 boys, has been intimately involved in NASA's Moon Program for the past several years. On APOLLO 11 launch day, he said in a note to his father "just wish all Americans could be here at the launch pad to see their fellow man leave Planet Earth and step on Planet Moon." Young Bill **Hawthorne** has begun his 5th and final year at Stanford Medical School with a big Hooray from Bill and Louise! Joan **Nourse,** working on her Ph.D. at the U. of Wash. in Seattle has spent the summer vacation with Bob and Big **Nourse** in Greenbrae. By the time you read this, the **Fordes** and the **Murphys** will be on a lengthy tour to Australia and New Zealand, lucky people! (That is something Connie and I want to do

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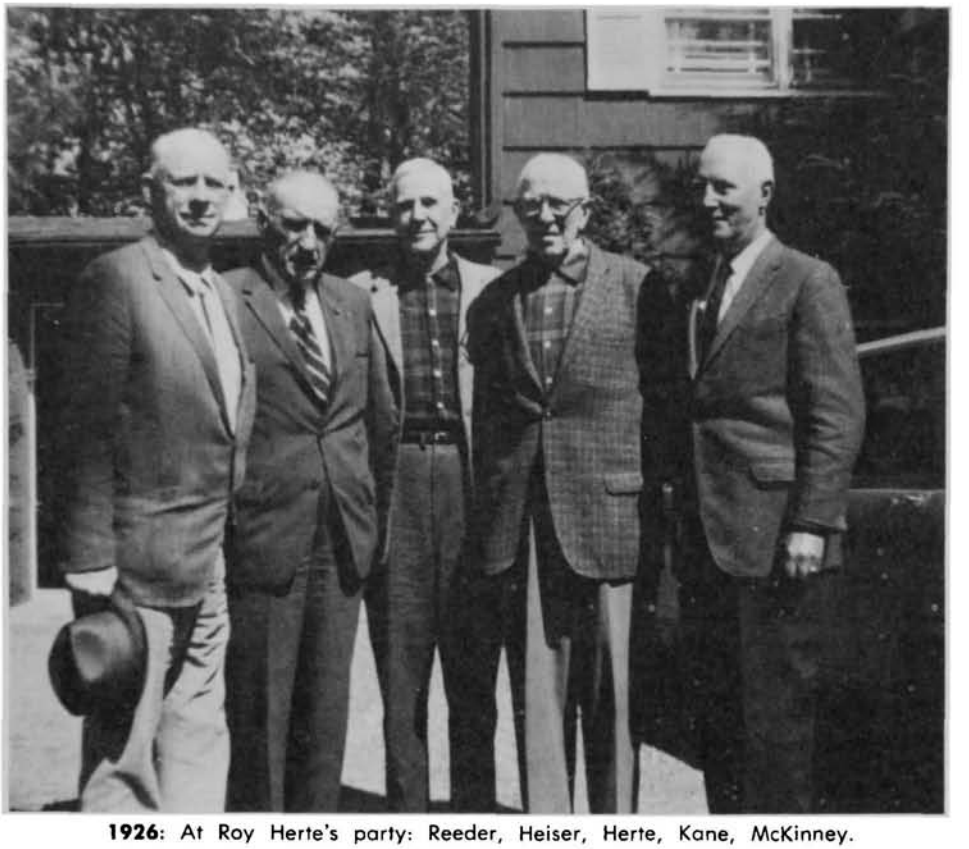

1926: At Roy Herte's party: Reeder, Heiser, Herte, Kane, McKinney.

some day before it is too late—I have never been back to that area since serving there in WW II from July '42 to May '44, from just before the Guadalcanal campaign until the war down there was all over.) On 8 Nov, ARMY will have played football with Oregon in Eugene, and I hope to have for the next issue a report on the Class-get-together which Johnnie **McFarland** organized. Definitely on board at this writing are the Benny **Thurstons** from Seattle, the Bill **Mills** from Walla Walla, the Norm **Matthiases** and Eddie **Watsons** from Portland and of course the **McFarlands** from Coeur d'Alene, as well as a goodly contingent from the San Francisco, Monterey, and Los Angeles areas—a little Homecoming, to rival the big one at West Point on 4 Oct. Johnny **McFarland** reports he has been fishing lately high in the Selkirks, where the only way in to some of the lakes is still on foot. He lamented the terrible tragedy of the Sun Dance region burn-off of 2 yrs. ago, but says the beautiful views from the other side of the ridge are still there, with the mountains of Montana and Canada off in the distance. He says "this is great country, and as long as I can walk I will stay here." Spud **Murphy** added "amen to that as it's my part of the country too, having been raised as a youngster in Mont., Idaho, and Wash. State."

Ralph **Osborne** came thru with a bit of news from his area. It seems he and Kathleen had just returned, at this writing, from a 3,000 mile auto trip around the Rockies and the Southwest, and managed to make contact with a number of classmates and friends along the way. Included were Dick and Jane **McMaster** in El Paso, whose big news is that Dick has now joined Red **Reeder** as an author; his new book is "The Caparisoned Horse," published by Henry Lide's Printing Service, El Paso, and also on sale in the book department at Ft. Bliss as a paper-back at 2 bucks per copy. (Note: I am getting a cut on the sales for this plug! Ank). The book is an historical novel of the Cavalry, dealing in adventure and romance during the Apache Indian raids of 1857 etc. Dick has also written several history articles, and says he has had to give up school teaching, since his writing and golf are keeping him too busy. Congratulations, Dick! Frank **Miter**, in Tucson had just returned from an extended trip and visit with the Ben Mesicks ('24) in Portugal, thence to Troy, N.Y., to visit daughter Deanne, and on to El Paso to see son Bradford. All seems to be well on those fronts. Ralph concludes "Denver and the mountains beautifully pleasant and cool. Now that we are back, it is hot and sunny in San Antonio, but we do enjoy the air-conditioned atmosphere, be it in the house, the car or out shopping. It is just too bad that grass needs water, and someone to turn on the hoses, if it is to stay green!"

Marv **McKinney** came thru with a lot of news—thanks, Marv. It seems that John Harvey and Stella **Kane** have each had some physical problems which have required hospitalization. Last reports are they are both doing well. These are things we must all expect at our age and Class seniority, so I shall not dwell on them further in these columns, except to say we all hope for a speedy and full recovery for both! The **McKinneys** have a new 23 ft. cabin crusier on the Hudson, berthed at the Newburgh Yacht Club. They are enjoying it very much and have extended an open invitation to all classmates passing thru the area to come by and experience the joys of boating on the Hudson. It seems the only thing that has interfered with their boating recently is the planning and packing for their Fall sortie to Spain—lucky people—that is really the **best** time to visit that area. Finally, it is now clear that a prognosticator of note has been uncovered in the Class—no lesser a light than Benny **Heiser** himself! The word I get is that Benny and Honey—who live not too far away from Churchill Downs—have, after serious study, discovered a system whereby they can predict the winner each year. WOW! In any case, the **Heisers** visited the **Reeders** in May, and both families had money right on the nose, courtesy of Bennie. They must have had a great reunion from all reports, and the picture herewith shows 5 of our "youngest" classmates enjoying themselves at the Roy **Hertes** party—can you recognize them all? And where are the ladies?!

My final note for this issue is a most interesting one from "bally ole England" itself! Bo **Riggs'** report tells of his and Eileen's current activities over there in their retirement home, "Benny Havens," full address of which is Dene Close, Chilworth, Southhampton, England. Bo retired from ITT about a year ago, and then moved to England to settle down in their house that Eileen had readied beforehand, where gardening, fishing and short trips keep them both busy. Their daughter Sharon finished St. Goderics College in London in July, and was 21 in Aug. She now has her own apartment and a job as a secretary in London. Bo attended the Founders Day dinner in the American Club in London, found it very well attended although he was the only '26er there, and **almost** found himself as the oldest grad present—being ranked out at the last moments by Ray Toms '25. Bo says "at least it was that close—and it does make one think!" Thanks for the news, Bo and Eileen—I'm sure we are all glad to know where you are and you mustn't be surprised if you have a few classmate visiters, such as the Anks, in the early future.

NECROLOGY

LTC Eugene **Smallwood**, USA, believed to be the son or a close relative of our deceased classmate Eugene Charles **Smallwood** died of a bullet wound inflicted by a demented South Vietnamese soldier, along with a fellow officer, in the USA compound in Saigon, 9 Sept. 1969. Other details unknown but will undoubtedly be covered in the National Press.

GEN W.P. ("Wild Bill") **Ennis** USMA '01, father of classmate W.P. (Bill) **Ennis**, died in Vineyard Haven, Mass., last July at the age of 90. His memorial was in the Winter 1969 issue of ASSEMBLY

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The sad news for this issue is that of the death of our John J. **Holst** on 19 Aug. at his new home in Leucadia, Calif. Catherine advised that Felix was ill but a comparatively short time. Interment was at Ft. Rosecrans, with 2 of the Class—Ralph **Doty**, and Ray **Curtis**—"most helpful" to Catherine. The Long Gray Line has gained another fine officer and gentleman—Felix was truly an outstanding personality of unique characteristics. We shall miss him. To Catherine and

1927: Ray Bell presents the Class Watch to Cadet CPT Jack B. Gafford.

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son Tony goes the deepest sympathy of the Class.

Ray **Bell**, truly our active agent at the Point, forwarded an item of interest to "members of the Class who return for reunions and desire to play golf." After Ray's suggestion, the Superintendent informed Ray of the establishment of a reduced membership for returnees of $5.00 for the week, by joining at the registration center upon arrival. Ray reminded that this "deal may be of interest to duffers (I am still in this category)" as an improvement over the heretofore $3.00 per day. Make your foursome for the 45th!

Although the Summer ASSEMBLY referred to the presentation of our Class award, attention is invited to the fine photograph of Ray presenting it to Cadet Jack B. Gafford, Class of 1969.

At deadline, Frank and Dorothea **Ostenberg** were making plans to fly to Colorado Springs, Colo., for the wedding on 11 Oct. of their son MAJ Thomas F. **Ostenberg**, CE, USMA '62, to Miss Judy Testerman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Ivan Testerman of Colorado Springs. After the wedding they were to spend some time in Tulsa, Okla., visiting Frank's sisters.

Jack **Spurgeon**, out Ohio way, a persistently enthusiastic ex-'27, wrote in his usual fine letter as of 2 July, commenting that on that date 46 years ago we had ascended to the Plain to report in—and to meet the well-intended instruction of the welcoming Beast Detail from '24. He then proceeded to add that on 1 July 1969 he had begun his retirement "after 41½ years with Owens-Illinois," joining that firm in 1928 and going up to the General Purchasing Department with efficient rapidity. His Purchasing colleagues has surprised him with a 20-ft. flag pole erected in his yard and with a handsome flag. Henceforward he planned to "conduct daily my own reveille and retreat, sans Hellcats and salute gun." Jack's Maxine may have for him also, it appears, a "large backlog of household chores." As a labor of love, Jack hopes to devote more time to his long-time hobby of the Civil War. Let's look for his first book and wish him and his all happiness in that retirement!

Art Fuller of '30 communicated by telephone this summer that Marion **Chamberlain**, his sister and the widow of our Edwin W. **Chamberlain**—Bill—is residing with him in El Paso, at 4649 Leeds Ave. Son LTC E.W. Jr. a graduate of NWC, is now in the Pentagon with OJCS.

Bob **Perrine**, up Pa. way, sent in a fine and informative report on the family and its activities. First, son MAJ Charles H., Ord., after a year in VN, has been assigned to the Academy as an instructor in the Math Dept. He and wife Harriet, who will teach in Cornwall, are living "near Newburgh." Bob and Kay are delighted, of course, over the assignment, for it gives "us a very good reason to visit the Point more frequently." The **Perrines** were "off to the Shangri-La in the Adirondacks" in early July for relaxation and fishing until mid-Sept.

A removal item in the Washington Area concerns the recent entry of Ted and Kay **Brown** into their lovely, new one-level home in the Evermay addition of suburban Va. Their new address is 6317 Stoneham Lane, McLean, Va. 22101.

Also in time for this issue came announcement of a change of address for Ham and Bell Hunter. Although Ham continues to be the sole representative of '27 in the West Point Society of Hampton Roads, Va., after some 10 years of residence there, the **Hunters** have moved to another local street and dwelling. Their new address is 501 Bridge St., Apt. 3F, Hampton, Va. 23369. Despite the throes of moving—"the inevitable damage, and selling and buying to fit new surroundings"—Ham was looking forward to seeing many of '27 at the Navy Game. Ah! That game will be well behind us ere you have this ASSEMBLY. Let's see if the Scribe's conjecture of an ARMY victory was correct!

As Bob **Perrine** commented above on the anticipation of more visits to the Plain, so can the Scribe. With the pleasant turmoil incident to the establishment of son-in-law LTC R.A. Miller and daughter Jane and the 4 granddaughters in their exciting quarters on the post, the **Lillards** got twice up the Hudson, finding it even more exciting, inspiring, and beautiful, if possible, than they had always felt it. The last trip in late Aug., as the Corps was forming for the year ahead, included a brief session with Ray **Bell**, tanned and athletic from his "duffer golf," ahem, and obviously full of vim and vigor.

Well that's about it! The after-action reports for the Class summer simply did not reach the desk by deadline. They will be used gladly at a later date, however. So let's raise the glasses high for Aldrin and Collins who put West Point on the Moon for all of us—and send in that family report with that photo for the next issue.

'28

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This has, from the absence of news, been a quiet summer for the members of '28.

Russ **Blair** sent in a photograph taken when he visited Bob **Warren** at the latter's apartment at Chapala-Jalisco, Mex. Apparently Sunny and Russ have also taken an apartment at Ajijic-Jalisco, Mex. Janet **Reynolds** informs us that Steve underwent a major operation, but is on the road to full recovery.

On 1 Apr. 1969, too late for the summer edition of ASSEMBLY, Blondy **Saunders** had an annual scholarship named in his honor at the AFA. The scholarship is for 1 year of preparatory schooling in a selected school and is awarded through the Falcon Foundation. A portrait of Blondy now hangs among the Falcon Collection as a continuing reminder of one who by dedicated service, exceptional professional skill and personal courage has brought credit to the AF and to our country. This is a great tribute to a peerless natural leader and to our Class which sent so many into the AF.

1928: Bob Warren at Marty Gordon's Gardens where he has an apartment—taken with Russ Blair, Chapala-Jalisco, Mexico.

The Washington Group held a lunch at Ft. Myer on 24 June. Present were **Boatner, Cralle, Gavan, Haskell, T.A. Lane, Maxwell, Olive, Raymond, Seeman, Sirmyer, Tate, Totten** and **Walter**. Web **Anderson** and Virginia came through the area in Aug. and a few of the Class gathered at John and Harriet **Uphams'** house to cheer them on. Bob and Lucy **Tate's** daughter, Carole Phillips, met with a tragic accident in Bolivia in July. Nancy and Jim **Green** tore themselves from Princeton to travel in Ireland, Scotland, and England. Betty **Calyer** accompanied Pete to Washington during June while he was at Walter Reed hospital. This is the warp and woof of 1928 at this juncture in life—sadness mixed with gladness.

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Post-Reunion Items. Identifications in Reunion Photos on Page 20, Summer Issue—Left to right, top to bot: 1. Betsy **Ladd**, Joe **Ladd**, Jean **Gavin**, Jim **Gavin**. 2. Vic **Vickrey**, Tom **Sands**, Hank Royall, Kirk **Kirkpatrick** and son Terry. 3. Fen **Sykes**, Linda **Sykes**, Bob **Meyer**, John **Hammond** behind camera and beard, Lee **Meyer** in background to left of Bob. 4. Renée **Sands**, Missy **Bullock**, Tom **Sands**, Kirk, Lank **de Riemer**, Larry **Brownlee**. Insufficient space for names in the large photo on p. 21. Have fun guessing.

The Class's first (?) and only (?) great-grandchild, predicted at Reunion time, arrived safely—a boy—to Bill and Ruth **Hamlin's** granddaughter while the Hamlins were en route from Main (trailer summer there) back to their Fla. base. Congratulations to all. In the WP area George **McAneny** at Cornwall continued to celebrate the 40th throughout the Fall by winning six straight soccer games with the school team he has brought up from scratch.

Paul and Betty **Harkins** missed Reunion because Paul was in Spain, North Africa, and elsewhere, as technical adviser for a Patton film being made by 20th Century-Fox. Paul says: "Waging war is much easier than making a fake one seem real. . . . Actually, it's not supposed to be a war picture but a character study of two men, Patton and Bradley." (He doesn't name the actors playing these parts.)

Rudy **Fink** ran an absence from Reunion because he was running for Mayor of Ocean Springs, Miss. (Outcome Unk.) C.G. Red **Calloway** and Marian had to bow out at the last minute when Red had a slight flare-up of his lung problem, but he's now back to his very active life. He drove himself up from the Fredericksburg farm to the DC Gp Fall luncheon.

After the Reunion dinner dance, Jim and Doris **Hannigan** caught a little sleep, got to JFK Airport at the crack of dawn, and supped that night in Tokyo. One week in Japan ("all over by train and bus"), thence to Taipei, Hong Kong, Bangkok ("Doris stuck for 40 minutes in yo-yo elevator in hotel"), Calcutta, Banaras, Agra, New Delhi, Bombay, Cairo ("Rode camels and climbed up inside the pyramids while the Egyptians stacked sand bags in the war-non-war"), Athens, Copenhagen, Oslo, New York, and finally back to Tex. after a whirlwind 26 days.

At Reunion time, Joe and Margaret **Colby** were in Mont. for Joe to give the Memorial Day address at the Little Bighorn Battlefield of Custer's Last Stand. They stayed on for

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a 3-week vacation in the big sky country. Joe has retired from North American Rockwell, but still consults for them part-time. Following Reunion, Ed **Lasher** was MC for the WP Soc of Chicago at a memorial service at the tomb of BG William S. Smith, USMA 1853, a Union commander in the Civil War and an important figure in engineering-construction fields, post-war.

°**Accompanying Photos.** Since these have had to be held over because of Reunion reporting, Andy and Charlotte **Samuels** may well have now added to the 9 handsome grandchildren pictured. Jim **Sladen** may call the boat "Margaret's Folly," but he looks happy enough. Happy, too, is Lou **Hammack** as he proposes a toast at a party in San Antonio for Dud and Betty **Wiegand.** Dud was on academic leave from Colorado State U., recuperating from a heart attack. ("Am now much better and a darned sight slimmer.") The Don **Poormans,** too, attended the party for the Wiegands.

Re-Retiring. Mish **Roth** has ceased making barn doors. He and Martha have sold their elegant spread in Aurora, Ill., and are now living at 5204 Kissing Camels Dr., Colorado Springs, Colo. 80904.

Freddie **Smith** was to retire from his consulting duties with Ryan Aeronautical Co. on 1 Nov. As the Class VP, AOG, Freddie participated in the dedication of the MacArthur Memorial at WP. By a felicitous circumstance, Freddie's father and MacArthur were classmates—'03.

Don and Maggie **Graul** are to visit Fla. this winter to plan the building of their re-retirement home at Lost Tree Club, a few miles north of Palm Beach. Don retires from his COMSAT job here in early 1971.

Widows. Tom and Marion **McDonald** see a good bit of the former Paula Strother **Bryan,** Lud **Bryan's** widow, who has been married for several years to Professor Leslie I. Martin of the U. of Ky., and who lives at 212 Clay St., Mt. Sterling, Ky. The Martins see the **McDonalds** when they go to Fla. to visit Paula's mother, an old friend of Marion and her family in Honolulu. Johnny **Theimer** finds that Mary Lou **LaPage,** Jack's widow, is now Mrs. J.E. Murray and lives at 138 28th Ave., San Francisco.

Sick Report. As these notes are being written, our Honorary Classmate, MG Howard McC. Snyder, USA, Ret, is in the intensive care unit at Walter Reed and is on the seriously ill list. To Mrs. Snyder and the family we express our sympathy and concern. George **Reilly** is in Walter Reed and will undergo an operation for a stomach ulcer of long standing as soon as he can gain back some weight. After six more months in Walter Reed's intensive care unit for treatment of his polio-like ailment, Freddie **Chaffee** is now back at home in Chevy Chase. He's doing well, and the doctors say he should be golfing, gently, by next Spring.

Taps. With sorrow we record four deaths. Theodore Rudolph **Redlack** died suddenly of a stroke and heart failure in Statesville, N.C., on 25 June 1969. Ted had resigned immediately after graduation and had had long service with Burlington Industries. Interment was in N.C. Francis Hobdy **Lynch** died in New York City on 9 Aug. 1969. Francis was retired on physical disability in 1937. Interment was in Arlington. The Class extends its sympathy and condolences to Ruth **Redlack** and Mary **Lynch** and to their families.

Frederick Rogers **Dent** Jr. died of a heart attack in Shalimar, Fla., on 10 Sept. 1969. Fred and Corra Lynn had made the 40th in good shape, but Fred was hospitalized with a severe attack in June. Although he was able to be back at home for several weeks, and was up and about and carried on some correspondence, he never made a full recovery. Memorial services were held at Eglin AFB. Honorary pall bearers included A.V.P. Anderson and W.T. Hefley, both '28, and Lewis R. Parker, all MGs, AF, Ret. Tom and Marion **McDonald** and Rudy **Fink** represented the Class and accompanied the Dent family at the services—Corra Lynn; son Frederick R. **Dent** III, MAJ, AF, '56, just back from Vietnam, and his wife Marion; daughter Lynn and her husband, Mr. J. Robert Boykin of Mobile; and son David H. **Dent** and his recent bride, Janice.

Interment was at West Point with full military honors. Services were held in the Old Cadet Chapel. The Superintendent and the Secretary of the Association of Graduates attended. Tom **Sands** represented the Class. Mish **Roth,** who flew East from Colorado Springs, and Lu **Rowell,** ex'29, who came down from Cape Cod, were honorary pall bearers. Fred's grave is just in the rear of the Old Cadet Chapel, near **Griffith, Moody,** and G.R. **Hays** Jr.

Fred was one of our most distinguished classmates. His record of service and achievement in peace and war brought him many decorations. Few people knew that he never fully recovered from flak wounds received on a combat mission over Germany in WW II. He was a fine officer and a fine friend. He will be greatly missed by a great many people—not least by me, for he was a valued contributor to these notes and almost always had a sparkling quip or two—for my personal edification, if not for publication. The Class extends its sympathy and condolences to his children and to Corra Lynn. She plans to remain in their Shalimar place (Box 814, 32579).

Just as this goes to press, we have received word of the sudden death on 25 Sept. 1969, presumably from a heart attack, of Don and Marion **Zimmerman's** younger son, Don Jr., age 29. Don Jr. was a bachelor and worked for Boeing in Seattle. Funeral arrangements were as yet incomplete, but the **Zimmermans'** elder son Michael, an artist, who was travelling in Europe, had been located and was en route home for the services, as were daughter Donna and her family, who live in this country. Our hearts go out to our Class Pres. and his wife and family in their grief.

SF Bay Area Report. (Courtesy of Johnny **Theimer.**) Dave and Charm **Angluin,** home on leave from Zweibrucken, had dinner with the **Theimers** and were in fine shape, but Dave was hospitalized for three weeks after their return to Germany. He is now back at work for the Materiel Command, where he expects to continue for a year or so longer. Re-retirement location—undecided, but probably somewhere in the Bay Area.

Ernie and Davie **Heidland's** annual trek was to Portugal, Spain, Italy, and Greece this year. They say that air travel on the Continent in small prop jobs is in striking contrast to the jet service provided here. Johnny says that Ernie's particular interests have progressed from architecture, through plumbing, to art—especially Goya. Mac and Patsy **McKenzie** made their annual Canadian fun-and-fishing trip, thence to New Zealand, one of their favorite spots, and on to Australia. They were to return to SF to draw a couple of deep breaths, pay the apartment rent, and then start another trek. Chick and Polly **Cooper** estivated in Ore. Johnny continues to praise Chick as a superior gourmet cook. "If you haven't eaten Chick's special—beef roasted in rock salt—you haven't lived. He will provide the recipe to other gourmet cooks, or would-be's, on request."

The Bay Area Gp has periodic stag luncheons and other get-togethers. Check in with Johnny if you're out that way. Johnny hoped to be in the DC area in the Fall to visit his daughter and her family in Alexandria. We look forward to seeing him.

From the DC Gp. Wedding bells were to ring on 25 Oct. for Herb and Ida **Milwit's** daughter, Myra Jo, who was to be married to Mr. Joseph Schwab in the Walter Reed Chapel, with a reception to follow in the WR Officers Club. The groom is a U. of Md. graduate in public relations, and the young couple will live in this area.

Fate and Ginny **Fagg** have been to Europe via MTC (old MATS) space-available, and had a wonderful time sight-seeing all over by car and train. Jim and Molly **Winn's** daughter Kitty was to come East from the Coast this Fall with the American Conservatory Theater of San Francisco, the noted repertory group, for a limited engagement at the ANTA Theater in New York, presenting plays by Chekhov, et cet. Kitty is an extremely talented young actress to have attained membership in this select group.

Slim **Vittrup** (Muriel declined) made a flying 3-day trip by AF jet (converted tanker with beds!), in the company of other Big Brass, to the Marseilles-Nice-Cannes-Toulon area to help the French commemorate the 25th anniversary of the US-French invasion of Southern France in WW II. Slim was Deputy G3, 6th US Army Gp, at the time of the invasion.

Stan **Jones** has fully recovered from a delicate operation at Walter Reed to equalize the pressure on the carotid arteries leading to the brain. The operation has restored to full strength Stan's right arm, which had become almost useless. He looks fine. Jupe and Judy **Lindsey** porté their bicycles in the trunk of the car, and bike for fun and exercise ("The pounds are really coming off") in such pleasant places at MacArthur Blvd. and along the tow path of the old C&O Canal. Bozo **McKee** has joined the Sideburn Set, but moderately: no wavy tufts, just descending length. Looks great.

Pinky **Conner** has barely recovered from the strain of acting **in loco parentis** at the wedding of a niece of Marion's held at the Conner home. "Better to have a boy," says Pink. (He has one.) "Not so," says Marshall **Stubbs.** (He and Harriet have an all-girl family.) "I'd like to have a girl to marry off every year or so," says Marshall. "Lots of fun." And à propos of the generations, Pinky, who teaches Bus Admin and such-like at George Washington U. here, has agreed to a suggestion from Bill **Hall** that he talk (briefly) at the Apr. stag luncheon on "The Generation Gap."

Most of these items were garnered from attendees at the DC Gp Fall stag luncheon at Patton Hall, Ft. Myer. In addition to several others mentioned elsewhere above, Paul **Caraway,** Tom **Conley,** Paul **Elias** (a Ph.D., by the way), Nick **Nichols** (also a Ph.D.)—How many do we have in the Class?—Fen **Sykes,** Bill **Thompson,** Herb **Vander Heide,** Vic **Vickrey,** and Dick **Wentworth** were there.

No scheduled activities for the DC Gp from the annual Thanksgiving (a change) cocktail-buffet with the ladies at Ft. McNair until the Founders Day dinner in Mar. and the Apr. stag luncheon. But let any one of

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us know if you're to be in the area and we will rack up something special. Merry Christmas and/or Happy New Year, as the case may be when you read this.

Late News Flash. Harley **Parks** and Paul **Thompson** teamed up to win their golf flight (and a silver trophy each) in the Labor Day tournament at Harley's Club, Shinnecock Hills, in Southampton, N.Y., where Harley and Kay have a new home. Hopefully (if the color photo will print), a picture of Kay **Parks** and the victors with (not "in") their cups will appear in our next.

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It is always a regret to have to start this column on a sad note, but it seems as well to dispose of the bad news first. So it must be reported that during the summer we lost 2 more members. Sammy **Morrow** died at Ft. Sill in early July, succumbing finally to the Parkinson's Disease that had burdened him for some years. Our good friend Jim Hannigan ('29) has offered to prepare a memorial article for publication in ASSEMBLY. And Jewel, who will stay on in the **Morrow's** house in Lawton, will at least have the comforting support of numerous good friends in the area. Just a month later Charlie **Odenweller** had a stroke and died quite suddenly in the local hospital at Castine, Me., where he owned the Pentagoet Inn. He was buried at West Point, and I am glad to report that Harry **Boyd** and Jim **Lunn** were able to be present to represent the Class at the funeral. Charlie's son Robert is preparing his memorial article. To the families of both these classmates we offer our profound sympathy.

I am indebted to Dutch Holley ('28) for the news of **Morrow's** death. Dutch also told me that Fred **Ammerman** had undergone major surgery on his plumbing system but was progressing well with no apparent complications. And that at the AUSA symposium at Sill he (Dutch) had seen Johnny **Greco**, looking well and prosperous.

Had a good letter from Jim **Brett** anent his son's graduation, from which the following quotes are of interest: "Claire and I attended the graduation of our only son, Hudson Bradford **Brett**, (grandson of M.L. **Brett** '06), from the U. of Colo. at Boulder on Sat. 16 Aug. Prior to graduation we attended a joint Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps commissioning ceremony of the ROTC where Hudson was commissioned a 2LT, Inf, in the USAR. His wife, Susan Skelton **Brett**, also a graduate, pinned on his gold bars.

"His commissioning almost did not take place because the report of his physical examination had been lost, and only through the superb staff work of J.O. **Curtis** and Jim **Richardson** and some coaching from Jack Malloy ('31) was a new physical examination made on Thurs. and approved on Fri. afternoon prior to the Sat. morning commissioning ceremonies." This is certainly a happy reflection of how "The Gang" still functions as one in cases of emergency!

Al Dennis, in replying to our Reunion questionnaire, gave me a change of address. He is now located at 300 Water St., Chestertown, Md. 21620. No explanation of this move or word on what he's doing; but I do know that he's in the middle of some of the best fishing and duck-hunting country on the East Coast. There are worse ways of spending one's retirement.

When we were cadets, the idea of being turned back a year for academic reasons was something we viewed pretty dimly. Seems as though it has certain advantages in later years, however, in the form of being invited to participate in the reunions of your original class as well as the one with which you graduated. Such was the case this past June, when Hank **Royall** and Fritz **Weber** helped '29 celebrate their 40th anniversary. A long letter from Kate and Fritz gave an interesting and useful résumé of the "doings" of '29 during June Week, as well as an account of their own busy summer. Inasmuch as they both had academic commitments at their respective universities they had to hurry back from West Point to Lumber Bridge and go to work on summer school chores until early Aug. The day school closed they flew to Madrid and thence to Barcelona, Geneva, Berne, and Heidelberg, visiting some of their friends from the 1936 Olympics. Kate wrote: "It was a short trip, just 3 weeks, and we were home in time for Labor Day and the opening of our 2 universities. Fritz will be handling the employment of grads this year, which will be merrier for him than listening to the 'problems' of the present rebellious younger generation." (To which I say "Amen"!)

Our 40th Reunion plans are generally progressing satisfactorily. Details will be spelled out in separate communications. Current estimates place the number of reunioneers at around 125, which should provide the basis for a pretty merry gathering. See you there!

'31

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Betty and I have returned from our summer trip as some of you know. I'll tell more about that later.

It has been a sad summer for the Class. Dorothy **Arnold**, Milt's wife, died in mid-July at their home in Middleburg. Mike **Irvine** died in early July in San Francisco from an aortal aneurysm. Patsy **Hunter** died of a heart attack in New York after returning from a vacation in the Caribbean, the first part of Aug. Jim and Speed **Mooney** had a house in Pass Christian, right in the center of the path of destruction of hurricane Camille.

Betty and I had a fantastic trip this summer seeing many of the sights in the USA and sighting many of the classmates along the way. I will touch only the high spots. Our first stop was in Chicago, and we were entertained by Maggie and Agnes **Weber** and Dick and Margaret **Lane.** Maggie and Agnes are doing well in their trading business, I can't remember if it's stamps or businesses. Dick and Margaret were expecting a visit from Bill and Trux **Jones** for some talk and golf. On to Colorado Springs where we saw Bill and Dotty **Hampton,** Bob and Barbara **Hackett,** Bob and Mary Hall **Lee** and Doc and Elsie **Strother.** All looked well, Bill **Hampton** still pumping water, Bob **Hackett** is banking and Doc and Bob Lee aren't doing anything for pay at the moment, though Bob is very active in youth activities in the community. No luck in Salt Lake City where Fred **Redden** was apparently not in at the moment and likewise in Las Vegas where Chet **Landaker** was probably out figuring the odds on the slot machines. If I may be permitted to pontificate for a moment, we were in Las Vegas during the moon walk, and I couldn't help but apply one of the descriptions of the moon to the city "magnificent desolation." I may hurt a few feelings by that remark, but it did seem apt to me at the time. Our next Class stop, after some sightseeing around the Grand Canyon, was at Albuquerque, where we stayed overnight with Dick and Lucille **Danek.** Albqq is a beautiful city, and we enjoyed our stay there very much. From there we went to El Paso, where everybody had seemingly done what they do when they hear that Deac is coming to visit. The only classmate in town was Ash **Haynes** and wife Ruth. We did spend a very pleasant evening with them at the Bliss Club, talking over old times and new ones. Dutch **Spangler,** Carl **Kohls,** and Bill **Taylor** and wives were all out of town, Dutch was probably out somewhere trying out his system.

The next stop was San Antonio, some 560 flat miles away. This stop takes quite a bit of telling even if I mention only those whom we saw. Jack **Gordon** hosted a marvelous "do" at the Lone Star Brewery (adv) estate on Lake Medina. Present and accounted for were: John and Mary Anne **McGee,** John and Eloise **Hansborough,** Merle and Mary Paul **Fisher,** Ernie and Dolly **Peters,** A.J. and Alice **McVea,** Jim and Marge **Stroker** (Jim, by the way, is putting an addition on his bank at Randolph Field, probably to take care of Dick **Danek's** money), Paul and Gracie **Mayo,** Leo and Clara **Cather,** John and Florence **Sullivan,** Nosebag and Flora **Bays** (I believe she now has the Class title for the floppiest hat, takes it away from Jessie **Cook** who had the title for the last few years), Charlie and Cora **Densford,** (Charlie must work hard on his column, "the Root of the Matter," as he looked very trim and slim). Catherine **Feagin** was there alone, John being at West Point visiting their son, stationed there at the hospital. Jeanne **Cusack** was also present, unfortunately on crutches since she had recently fallen and cracked a bone or 2, but chipper and cheerful despite all that.

There were also several notes from those that could not make it. Tom and Ruth **Marnane** were to be in Okla., Johnny and Jane **Barr** were to be in Ala., near Mobile and Camille, Jim and Marge went to Mo., and Al and Kaye **Greene** were out of town. Those people didn't have to go that far away to miss us. We do thank all those who sent their regards and regret that they missed such a fine and fun party. Bert **Muenter** had the most sensible reason for not being present; he goes up north to Colo. and Wyo. to escape the heat. Bert did anticipate everyone by congratulating Jack on being a wonderful host even before the party was held. I forgot to mention that Gordon and Ruth **Blake** sent in a note that they would also be away.

From San Antonio we went on to New Orleans where there were no classmates, but plenty of other kinds of fun and games. On our way from NO to Atlanta we stopped by Pass Christian to see Jim and Speed **Mooney.** They had, and I use the word advisedly, a beautiful house right on the beach in the middle of what must have been the path of the eye of Camille. We can only think of the tremendous destruction that was caused and offer up a prayer for Jim and Speed and hope that we will be able to enjoy another cup of Speed's delicious Louisiana coffee sometime soon.

We then went on to Atlanta where we had a rather damp evening (and it wasn't even raining outside) at Roy and Myrl **Kauffman's.** Also there were Elmo and Ginger **Mitchell,** as spry as ever, Bill **Woodward** (Ella Mae was in New York) and Peggy **Wagner.** The next day, after a morning at Stone Mountain,

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we drove on down to Macon to the old manse of Don and Kelly **Little.** Don is very happy running an Episcopal mission there with Kelly helping out. After Macon we went to Sewanee to see Don and Alice **Webber** in their country place. I have a small hint for those of you who may want to visit Don and Alice. If you are driving along and see a sign that says Sewanee 5 miles, slow down fairly soon, otherwise you are very likely to pass right through Sewanee without even knowing it. Seriously, it is a beautiful place and the pace of life there is very appealing. In between golf games, Don runs the language lab at the college, and Alice tends her garden. On to Raleigh and an unexpected pleasure when we found that Dick and Ruth Lawson were in town and were to be with George and Tommy **Speidel** for dinner. We managed to horn in on a delightful evening at the university faculty club and some good conversation with the aforementioned.

And that is the end of the Stiness saga for this time. We are sorry that we missed some of you who were so close to our line of fire. Maybe next time.

There is other news, of course, maybe more interesting. The Class lawn tramp-down took place as scheduled at Bill **Cassidy's** estate at Belvoir on a very hot day. I understand that it was a very successful do, even though Betty and I had to miss it since we had left town, sounds familiar doesn't it? Present were, to the best of my knowledge and belief, from pictures and talking to Curly **Wilson;** Charlie and Virginia **McNair,** Budge and Betty **Howard,** Earle and Jessie **Cook,** Louie **Guenther** and daughter, Ockie and Doris **Krueger,** Ted and Suzanne **Decker,** George and Marian **Wertz,** Andy and Dee **Adams,** Frank and Fay **Pachler,** Clyde and Georgina **McBride,** Eddie and Mike **Brown,** Swede and May **Carlson,** Trick and Lucy **Troxel,** Peter Otey and Anne **Ward,** Curly and Marian **Wilson,** Fred and Marie **Warren,** Bill and Betty **Hall,** Dick and Jeri **Greer,** Gordon **Singles,** Roger and Margaret **Moore,** Mickey and Grace **Moses,** and Patsy and Pat **Hunter.** Since I wasn't there, I can't make any smart remarks, so you are all saved for this time.

The Class also had a luncheon in July and elected new officers, finally after 2 years, 2 long years according to Pat **Carter,** our president for that length of time. The new officers are: Pres. Johnny **Davis;** Sec-treas, me; Reunion coordinator, Ockie **Krueger;** entertainment committee, Bill **Hardick.** Shorty **Rothrock** says it was the best bit of railroading that he has ever seen—Pat **Carter** as engineer, George **Wertz** as conductor and no brakeman. Pat has retired as of 31 July, and he and Preot will make their home in Colorado Springs; present address P.O. Box 55, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80901. Bill **Cassidy** also retired 31 July, and he and Helen have taken up residence in Clearwater, Fla., for the present, but no address yet.

Chet and Gin **Diestel** sent along an announcement of daughter Dorothy's wedding to Thomas Schella in San Francisco the last of June, and Percy and Margaret **Lash** sent ditto daughter Margaret to Rand Wilson at the Academy on 6 June. Dick **Jewett** is happy with his new professoring at Cornell, and he and Priscilla are very pleased with life in Ithaca. Dick likes the opportunities he has to take trips in connection with his job and hopes to see Ted and Nina **Parker** in Albany soon. So you ask me why Ted and Nina in Albany, and I'll tell you. Ted has been appointed Commissioner of Transportation for the state of N.Y. and expects to live in Albany after Ted starts his job in Sept. Ted was a special assistant to Gov. Rockefeller back in 1955 and the Gov. has now rewarded him with excedrin headache #435, connected with transportation in N.Y. Our best wishes go with you, Ted. Congratulations are in order for OZ **Tyler.** In addition to being our own class poet, he has been selected as Centennial Poet for the hundredth anniversary celebration of the founding of Sigma Nu fraternity. We all knew his talents could not be confined to the Class only forever.

As usual, I am late with this column, the faster I go the behinder I get, so that's all for now. There will be more next time after I get collected. There will be more news of the 40th soon.

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Things are slowly fading away. We've lost good ol' J.P. I was told the farewell party was a real "doozie." One room for No. 1 VIPs, one for No. 2 grade VIPs, the 3d for IPs, and the general assembly area for simply "Ps". J.P. roamed from room to room. This report is from the 3d horse's mouth so take it for that. Anyway we can surmise that the retiring Chief of the AF, J.P. **McConnell** left with a big bang. Now as you know we have 5 left, all balancing on a teetering plank. Hold on boys! You're all we've got left!! We can't slip in those innuendoes when we want a favor to the effect that "General X" won't like that a bit once you have departed the active scene.

Captain 1st Class William **Powers** ably assisted by Captain 2nd Class Lil **Powers** treated us to a tour of the Chesapeake — "us" being Dossi, our son Bill, and me. Actually Bill and Lil learned navigation together and from scratch. The boat is a dream from comfort standpoint and enjoyment — sleeps 6 and has complete bathroom facilities and efficient kitchen. It was a delightful day, and Bill even got out the fishpoles and bait, and we lolled on the "aft" of the boat dangling and just enjoying every minute. We anchored opposite Annapolis (our Bill's Alma Mater) while Lil served up a delicious repast from her super galley. A delightful day with delightful hosts.

Not too many moons ago I took off on a safari to Fla. with the idea of looking for a comfortable hideout. I was inspired by Lil and Bill who some months ago purchased a condominium in N. Palm Beach. First I hit central Fla. with Orlando as the base. There I met several retired friends and classmates. Had a pleasant time with drinks at Click **Rees'** home in Winterhaven where Ed **Suarez** and Jack **Sutherland** gathered for a talk-a-thon. All looked fine. To occupy his spare time, Click has taken over the gardening of his grass and foliage. Mary joined us later having attended an afternoon bridge meeting.

Leaving the central area, I scanned the East coast finally staying in W. Palm Beach. Had intended to drop in on Bill **Smith** and Tom **Darcy** but became involved in a real estate deal which is still impending. However, I had previously learned that Tom **Darcy** is an intense student of horticulture, experimenting with fertilizers and materials to develop his rare specimens of trees and flowers. According to reliable reports, Tom is now completely domesticated. Distant reports reveal that Bill **Smith,** — recuperating from a serious abdominal ailment, is in the process

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of moving into a new and elegant apartment they have purchased.

Now — sad news. **Skidmore** died of a heart attack. He was buried in Arlington on Tues., 2 Sept. Our very efficient warning service passed the word around so that the Class was well represented by the following: Charlie **Baer,** Frank **Besson,** Danny **Campbell,** Dick **Hunt,** Marv **Iseley,** Ash **Manhart,** Bob **Schukraft,** Danny **Sundt,** Bill **Powers,** and Bill **Davidson.**

Although this was sudden and unexpected, I recall Skip had a heart attack just before retiring several years ago. In the meanwhile he became a Prof of engineering having acquired a Ph.D. in the subject. Quite a guy!

Barney **Bunch** had a stroke about 2 years ago, but by consistent exercise in his swimming pool has returned to normal — a remarkable recovery. Bob **Terrill** had a detached retina which is reported as healing successfully.

Click **Rees** tells me that Dwight **Beach** has turned sailor. He bought a large boat as yet unidentified. The home town (Chelsea, Mich.) has named a school after him, i.e. The Dwight Beach High School of Chelsea. An amusing afterthought — I earlier reported that Click had a street named after him as former Comdr of the AB at Orlando. It has changed hands (the Base — not the street) and is now run by the Navy. Click carries a Navy emblem on his bumper and feels quite honored to have become a Flag officer, USN.

Bob **Scott** seems to be climbing to the top of the Insurance Ladder. A public relations release reports that he has been appointed Regional Sales Dir for the Western Division of the United Family Life Insurance Company which has over $700 million insurance in force. He still lives in Phoenix, Ariz. The item included his authorship of "God is my Co-Pilot" and added, "Damned to Glory," "Look of the Eagle," and "Chennault of China." Mighty interesting titles. I included the picture since Robert looks somewhat subdued from my memory of old.

Last Sat. night Joslin and Luke **Morris** had a gathering at their home in Alexandria which included a number of classmates. The party was superb.

Dinny and Joe **Kelly** surprised us with the announcement they expect to leave the Belle Haven-Alexandria area and move out

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to Rossmoor, Md. We hope they won't forget to come in and see us all.

The only news from afar this summer via mail was a note from La Trelle saying she and Pop were enjoying a much needed rest at Sea Island, Ga. Luke and Joslin may have more news after a trip this Fall to Atlanta.

Write in your news — how do we know what is going on if you don't write?

From Ken Zitzman: The last week in Aug. was a sad one indeed for '32. Less than 48 hours after Skip **Skidmore's** passing as noted before, i.e., in the early morning of 28 Aug. in the University Hospital at Charlottesville, Gil **Adams** finally succumbed to the illness which had dogged him for many months past. The immediate cause was heart failure.

Having known for some time that his number was up, Gil left explicit instructions for the final arrangements, and Peggy followed them to the letter. As Gil wanted it, no one outside of their own immediate family was notified of the death until after the funeral at WP on 3 Sept. At the simple but impressive graveside services were their 2 sons, Stuart and Lindsay; Peggy's cousin who had been maid of honor in their wedding during our graduation leave and her young son, a CPT (Ranger and Paratroper) in the Combat Engineers, the only uniformed member of the family to salute Gil at his last formation. At the services also were GEN Koster, the Supe, and COL H.M. Brown, the Sec., AOG. After simple Episcopal services, the bugler played taps and 1 verse of Alma Mater. In keeping with Gil's wishes Peggy gave instructions to leave the plain "soldiers marker" at his grave; and after the flag at Trophy Point was returned to full staff, she and the boys returned to their home. They will all continue to live in Charlottesville where Stuart is Asst to the Pres of The Stonewall Jackson Memorial Fund, and Lindsay is in the Graduate School of Foreign Affairs at the U. of Va.

On a far happier note, Bill and Sue **Menoher** made their annual sortie from their Ft. Pierce home to Washington and the East Coast, with visits to the **Woolnoughs** at Ft. Monroe, the Ed **Howarths** and Al **Schroeders** in Harrisburg, and **Whalens** and others here. All agree that Bill and Sue were in top form and never change.

News of the juniors include 2 weddings with both of them coming to the Washington area to live. Emily Ann **Lazar** was married to Mr. James R. MacFall and Miss Dana E. **Trice,** daughter of Harley and Sis, to Mr. Richard L. Dabney. We welcome both these additions to the '32 family and to Washington.

Bill **Smith** reports that son Wm. R. III just received his Ph.D. in Electronics from the U. of Conn. and will remain at the U. of Bridgeport teaching for at least another year.

As of this writing Charlie **Baer** has just left for a month's business trip to Geneva. Charlie is Asst to the Chairman of COMSAT for matters dealing with the International Telecommunications Union, a very important organization considering that COMSAT has 68 foreign partners. The occasion this time is a meeting of the study groups of the International Radio Consultative Committee which will prepare documents for the Plenary Meeting in New Delhi next year.

And we'll close on a note of progress and accomplishment by Bill **Culp,** Pres of the Ohio College of Applied Science. In a move that was applauded by the Cincinnati Press and all concerned, it was announced that after 140 years as a private college, Bill's school will merge with the U. of Cincinnati and operate as one of its 16 different colleges. The move brings together the 2 oldest institutions of higher learning in Cincinnati and to quote the principal newspaper, "two of the most valuable." The action will strengthen both, and we congratulate Bill for his part in it.

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Charlie **Thayer** died 27 Aug. from a heart attack suffered at his summer home in Bavaria. His resignation had been accepted soon after most of us reported to our first station, and he reported for duty with our foreign service in Moscow. After World War II, he set up the Voice of America broadcasts to Russia from Bonn. Later, after a most outstanding career and much controversy, Charlie resigned and devoted himself to writing. Bob **Douglas** represented '33 at the memorial services in Philadelphia. After a long period of physical troubles, Aus **Miller** died at El Paso on 17 July. Hurly wrote on behalf of the Class to Clem, and there was a wreath from '33 at the graveside at Bliss.

Hurlbut showed his political sagacity by being absent when he was elected Pres. The other Class officers remain — Veep, Author Harry **King;** Secy, Auditor **Sparrow;** Treas, Banker **Pope. Carver** reports that Barbara's husband, LTC Schneider, is now Asst Ex for DCSOPS; CPT George Allen Jr. (USMA '64) is studying law at the U. of Va. Charlie will spend a month this fall in Europe as head of the AER. Gerry and Carolyn **Roberson** drove along the west coast up to British Columbia; stayed a day with Stan and Charlotte **Lonning,** and he played his semi-annual golf game with Stan. "My 3 best seniors had (outstanding) scores on their college boards. Carolyn was honored by her students, and I am proud that the Year Book at my school was dedicated to me. Our oldest son is working for his MA in political science. Saw Buck and Mildred **Vansant** in Sun City."

Billy **Harris** writes: "We are still having our '33 luncheons at Ft. Sam; Chet **Dahlen** has been hosting them. **Tiemann** joined us in Aug.; he is a math teacher at Blinn Junior College in Brenham, Tex., where he is active in urban renewal and runs a jewelry store. Jim **Pearson** drove to Seattle and Tacoma to visit his grandchildren. He got to see Fred **Zierath. McClelland's** Toby's husband, John Tate, is going to get out of the Service and go to the U. of Tex. Bob **Blanchard's** daughter has just returned from a tour in VN with the Red Cross; she stayed long enough to welcome her brother there for his 2d tour. Dick **Myers** came for the luncheon with **Tiemann;** he has a son who graduates from high school in '70 and is trying hard for a USMA appointment. Our last remaining active duty classmate in the San Antonio area (Chet **Dahlen**) retires 1 Nov.; he says his only plans are to travel, visiting a daughter in Naples and another in Madrid, and all other points west and east thereof. Bill **Frentzel** is trying to get Russ **Broshous** to talk to our local Society at a 12 Dec. dinner, which is to be a coed affair."

Bert and June **Sparrow** have moved from Myer to their house at 3813 N. 24th St., Arlington, Va. 22207 (Phone: 527-6962). Cathy is a Red Cross worker at Tuy Hoa, VN. **Engler** retired 31 Aug. He and Leslie live at 3426 Barger St. in Arlington (Phone: 256-8074). Jean is carefully looking over the field of opportunities. Doug and Miche **Gilbert's** new home on 31½ acres near Warrenton should be completed by next spring. Son Doug Jr. transfers to Dallas in Oct. to work as co-pilot on a jet. Son Randy teaches 7th grade English and history in Fairfax. Billy and Harriet **Harris'** daughter Elizabeth will marry Mr. Barry H. Pritchard in Washington on 4 Oct. Hester and Hadley **Richardson's** July letter tells of their trip — "We flew to London at dawn — bringing Southern Calif. to rained-out England. Believe it or not we had lovely weather for the next fortnight — saw bits of the Queen's Birthday parade — over the heads of about a million people — talked to Bob **Rayburn** on the phone; he has a place in Ireland in addition to his ranch at Little Coxwell. We did have a fine dinner and evening with the **Mullins** at the Connaught and knitted up the loose ends of many years. Flew to Brittany in a C-47, which felt like home except for the nice soft seats. Now we are back and arranging post cards and slides." Pop and Elma **Risden** may move from Arlington to Orlando. Daughter Cathy, wife of MAJ Coulter, lives at Bragg where he is aide to the CG. Evelyn **Starbird** (Dodd was busy as usual) says that son Ted (MAJ) and his wife Peggy had a wonderful vacation from his studies toward an MA in nuclear physics at the John Kerr Dam area on the Va.-N.C. border. Roy **Reynolds** is now the Civil Defense Coordinator for Alexandria, which involves work on a flood emergency plan for use in such places as recently hit Arlandria. He and Eleanor recently entertained visiting Jim and Pat **Boswell.**

Bill **Frentzel** wrote **Pope** to thank him for pictures of his son's USNA graduation, and added: "Saw Bill **Due,** Jim **Pearson,** and Chet **Dahlen** at the Ft. Sam fireworks display. Chet is in command there and put on a great show, including jumping by the pentathlon team, skydiving, and the fireworks." A letter from Esther **Lowell,** widow of our classmate Erd who died from polio while stationed in Panama in '39, tells of her move to Littleton, N.H. (R.D. 2; zip code: 03561) after 23 years in Fla. Son Ed is pastor of a church in Schenectady, and daughter Marjorie L. Catale lives in Mountain View, Calif. "I would appreciate hearing from any of our Army friends."

Ivan **Parr,** whose son Mike (USMA '67) was killed in VN, writes: "I have been finding it difficult to get interested in anything, but recently I went to work for Volt Technical Corp here in Ft. Worth. Saw Gab **Disosway;** he is now carrying on the tradition of the 'Mukkers' by taking a daily early morning hike. **Hoebeke** runs the WP Society in Dallas — and keeps busy with Civil Defense. Fred **Fairchild** lives nearby; he is recovering from a heart attack. It has been said that Army people go to San Antonio to retire and to the Ft. Worth-Dallas area to go to work. My oldest son Ivan is stationed at Monmouth; and Kurt, our youngest, just graduated from North Ga. College and will soon go on active duty as a 2LT, Arm, at Knox. Mary Jane and I are living a quiet life." Bob and Betty **Gallagher's** son, Randy, was married 6 Sept. at Cape Cod to Lucinda Tower. Bob and Lucy Lee **Thompson** didn't stray farther than nearby areas this summer; so he was able to put in a rare appearance at the Aug. luncheon. They had Chris **Cubbison** to dinner, as did Grace and I, and we all agree that Don and Molly have done a fine job of child rearing. Johnny and Dorothea **Lane** have rented a house at Cloud Crest Drive in Alexandria, a few doors from Bob and Ann **Turner.** Molly **Solomon** reports that son John (USMA '61) just finished his tour in VN and has been assigned as a math instructor at USMA where Pete and Ruth

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Carroll's Bob, as well as Bill Calhoun Jr. (both USMA '62), is an instructor.

Chet and Tita **Degavre** opened their house, built in 1750, for the annual Garden Tour in Va. "Tita has taken up portrait painting and has had amazing success. Chet is still busy in the miniature water fowl business and makes furniture reproductions on the side — when fishing is slow or the wind not fit for sailing. Tim, our oldest, (USMA '61) is a MAJ in the AF and is at the AF Staff College; Robert is with Esso in N.Y." Our semi-annual party will be a dinner-dance at the A-N Town Club; and, pending more R&D work, the next will be on the C&O canal barge (this will be especially nostalgic for those who once were in a pack Arty outfit — the barge is towed by mules). At the Aug. luncheon **Sparrow** collected instead of Phil; it was rumored that the latter was still squandering his winnings from the Class golf meet. Bud **Powell** writes: "Clo and I spent a while in Ga. visiting my old home — and — Fla. to see my daughters and my son. While there, I drove out to see Herb **Plapp** (recently returned from Walter Reed) who seemed to be hale and hearty." **Heintz** is with International Businessmen's Training for executives going overseas — a line in which Leo is well qualified. Abe and Mary **Lincoln** are hoping to get into their own house in Beverly Hills, Va., soon from the one they're renting in Alexandria. Son Jim (USMA '60) is a MAJ in the Pentagon and lives nearby. He is with the Army's C/S working on TACFIRE (a very sophisticated fire control system for field armies). Son Clark works for GM in the Advanced Concept Design Dept. Charlie **Chase**, with his MBA, will continue work here at GWU for another year, this time in automatic data processing. At Camp Perry, **Kaiser** took first place in small bore competition for those over 55 and 5th in the over-all scores. The civilian team from Va. he coached won first place in its field. Mo and Ethel's Jim (USMA '57) has been selected for promotion to LTC; he is a math instructor at WP. The **Whipples** saw Hilda and Charlie **Leydecker** at the Washington airport; the latter were on their way to inspect some property on Freeport Island in the Bahamas. Sim and Peg will spend some time this fall at their place at Hilton Head. Only 9 of '33 remain on active duty — **Polk, Hartel, Sparrow, Broshous, Gee** (retired but recalled), **Hurlbut, Moorman, Dahlen,** and **Starbird.**

'34

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'34 doesn't have too much to offer this time. I guess it is too soon after the Reunion to expect you guys to write in with anything new. Anyway, for future issues of ASSEMBLY, I can't pull things out of the air—so send in what info you have to me, and I will do my best.

You should be receiving shortly (I hope) Dud **Wilmeth's** tremendous report on the 35th Reunion and a new World Locator. Dud really did a good job on the reunion report, and our thanks go to him. Ralph **Bucknam** stuck out his neck at the Reunion and volunteered to reproduce and distribute (at his expense!) anything that needed to be sent out for '34. I really loaded him down on the first go-around. I'm sure he will respond though.

Joe **Piram** and his wife Evilee were in Washington recently to visit their daughter Vicki, married to LTC A.F. Likke (DCSOPS). They also visited Joe's old roommate Rev. P.S. Brown. Joe and Evilee live in El Paso where Joe teaches.

The July luncheon in Washington was attended by **Betts, Bruce, Cary, Corrigan, Donoghue, Foote, Gerhart, Kern, Edson, Kyser, O'Hare, Stevens, Tyson,** and **Schaefer. Donoghue** brought 2 guests, Admiral Davidson, USNA '29, and our Class Godson, MAJ T.E. **Weber**, son of E.E.B. **Weber. Donoghue** introduced young **Weber** and listed his outstanding achievements. This young man has a fine combat record, is a qualified parachutist, has a law degree, is headed for Korea, and then the C&GSC. Most important of all was **Donoghue's** announcement that **Weber** was soon to become his son-in-law when his daughter Helen agrees to a date. Congratulations!

Had a letter from Don & Thelma **Durfee** in June. Quotes from their letter follows: "Bill **Craig** was in Palm Beach for a short visit in late May, and he managed to get a few of us together for a reunion of those of the Class who could not get to WP for our 35th. It was a lot of fun for all of us though we missed a few who were not able to make it even that close to home. Dale **Smith** was recuperating from surgery and could not get there although he lives in Palm Beach. I can really sympathize with Dale, since I had to have some rather extensive and painful surgery myself in Mar., and it is taking its own good time to heal up. Guess we aren't as young as we once were, and these things take a lot longer to recover from now. Anyway, Thelma and I drove up to Palm Beach to the party, and we were most pleased and happy to see the **Northams, Snees, Yarbroughs, MacDonnells,** and, of course, Bill and Peggy **Craig.** Herb Gee ('35) was also there and took some pictures of the group. It was a most enjoyable afternoon for us, but unfortunately we had to leave early to go to Miami to pick up son Tom ('64), his lovely wife Linda, and their Tommy Jr. ('89??). They were on their way to Brazil where Tom is to study Portuguese for a year. He had just returned from a stint in VN and was quite pleased that his next 5 years are well planned for him — after Brazil, he goes to Vanderbilt U. in Nashville for a year to get a Master's degree and then to West Point as an instructor for 3 years. I hope it all works out that way for him, and we'll have a place to stay for our 40th. They also expect to present us with our 2d grandchild in Sept. (R&R in Hawaii must be great fun since Tom and Linda met there in Dec. — you figure it out.) Son Dave (USNA '63) came back from VN, attended and graduated from Destroyer School in Newport, R.I., and was immediately assigned to a destroyer which is in VN waters. He should, however, be back in Norfolk, Va., in Sept. He is aboard the "Leary" as Engineering Officer. The "Leary" is home ported in Norfolk."

Paul **Hanley** writes that his new address is 274 Searsville Road, Stanford, Calif. 94305. He and Jack **Shuck** had planned to attend our 35th Reunion, but air transportation failed to materialize.

Bill **Craig's** temporary address is c/o CPT L.F. Cole, 1191 N. Lake Trail, Palm Beach, Fla. 33480.

Bob **MacDonnell** has retired and returned to Washington. He and Sis now reside at 505 "H" Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20024.

Hal and Faith **Edson** also have returned to the Washington area and moved into their former home at 3930 North Upland St., Arlington, Va. 22207. The **Edsons** recently spent the weekend at Nags Head, N.C., with Johnny and Janet **Diefendorf.**

On 9 Sept. the **Edsons** stayed with Ace and Kathleen **Brookhart** in Carlisle, Pa. Hal, as legislative counsel for the National Association of Uniformed Services, addressed a meeting of the AUSA at the Army War College on legislative efforts being made in favor of recomputation of retired pay.

Elinore and Jim **O'Hare** attended the annual 10th Armd Div reunion over the Labor Day Weekend in Baltimore. VP and Mrs. Spiro T. Agnew attended. The VP was a company comdr in the 54th Armd Inf Bn under Jim's command in WW II.

"K" and Charlotte Kaesser (USMA '33) were recent house guests of Elinore and Jim **O'Hare.** The Kaesser's live in Calif. and saw many '33 classmates while in Washington.

The Class of 1934 USNA sponsored a picnic on 2 Aug. 1969 and was host to the Class of 1934 USMA. The picnic was held at Wendell **Bailey's** plantation at Piscataway, Md. Butch Harbold, former Navy football star, was in charge. Beer, chicken, ribs, and Army-Navy Beans were the order of the day. Fishing was encouraged in the Bailey's well-stocked pond. Attending with wives from USMA '34 were **Barnes, Brookhart, Cheston, Edson, Foote, Gerhart, Lewis, O'Hara, Richardson, Schaefer,** and **Stevens.** The picnic was most enjoyable.

That's all for this time except to note that the **Fellenzes** have had a very traumatic last 3 months. Lloyd Jr. (Bruz) graduated from USMA on 4 June and was married to lovely Nancy Watson of Alexandria, Va. on 14 June. (Our 35th Wedding Anniversary). Bruz is no chip off the old block as he graduated as an Engineer! On 9 July, our oldest daughter Dody died of cancer after a 3 year illness. Soon thereafter, we had our first granddaughter after 6 grandsons. She was named Dorothy Ann after Dody for which Mary and I were very thankful. Mary and I greatly appreciated the many letters, Mass Cards, and flowers which were sent from all over the world by you classmates. Our many thanks to you.

'35

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We were saddened by the news of Jim **Skells** death on 9 Aug. Jim for many months had been suffering with a rare brain ailment. His ashes were buried in Arlington on 15 Aug. Carol has written to express thanks for the Class floral tribute and appreciation for the attendance of classmates at the funeral. She says she plans to remain in their home at 643 Lear Terrace, Deltona, Fla., 32763, and hopes any classmates going that way will look her up.

No promotions have been reported, but there have been a number of reassignments. Harry **Lemley** has gone to Naples to relieve Hart **Caughey,** and Hart has come to Washington relieving George **Ruhlen.** George is stuck on a Pentagon board for another 3 weeks but early in Oct. will go down to Ft. Sam to be Dpty Comdr to Harry **Critz.** With Frank **Murdoch** already there as Dpty for Reserve Forces there are three of our classmates supervising Fourth Army. This is reminiscent of Hq Third Army last year. The accompanying picture shows Harry with **Riemenschneider** and **Stillman** at the Founders Day dinner last Spring. I am informed

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that the arm and hand in the lower left belong to Frank **Murdoch.**

Late in July Autrey and Amy **Maroun** were hurriedly flown from Bangkok for Autrey's surgery at Walter Reed. They are now visiting family in Wis.; and if the checkup late in Sept. is favorable, they expect to return to Bangkok where Autrey is with Hq SEATO.

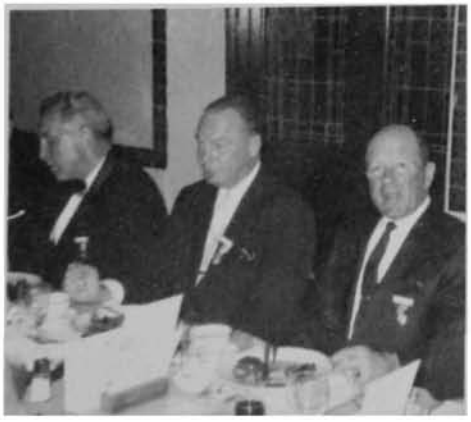
Bob and Jean **McDonald** came East to see Jean's parents in Alexandria and Bob's mother who lives near Walter Reed. Charlotte and I took Bob and Jean with us when we went to visit Autrey, and we all enjoyed the brief reunion, even the patient.

The **McDonalds** have two sons. The older one, Jimmy, is an Ordn MAJ in VN and was seriously injured when he fell on a horseshoe stake while playing volleyball. He has recovered well and is due to return for duty at Aberdeen in Oct. The younger son, Johnny, after two years at NMMI, spent most of the summer working in a mine in northern Canada and is now a junior at U. of Tex. at El Paso, where Bob teaches math.

Last spring Hank Thayer sent a letter of condolence on behalf of the Class to Lois **Hale.** In her reply of thanks she said that Harry seemed to be doing well after his brain surgery so that his death came with numbing suddenness. She also said that she too is a cancer patient and had just returned from Walter Reed. Her address is 405 Prospect Street, Crescent City, Fla. 32012.

Clarence **Bidgood** took a 3-week vacation in June, and he and Isabel flew to Europe to visit their daughter Jayne and her husband James Best (stationed in Heidelberg) and grandchildren, Laurie Ann, 5, and Michael Clarence, 1½. Clarence calls this grandchild "Iron Mike." Their son Freddie **Bidgood** is an Engr MAJ now stationed at Ft. Belvoir with his wife Marilyn and son Mark. While they were in Europe, Clarence and Isabel also revisited Garmisch and on the golf course ran into Milt and Hilda **Rosen** and spent a very pleasant afternoon and evening with them, including dinner in the **Rosen** apartment. The latest news from the **Bidgoods** is that Clarence has quit his very fine job as head of Launch Operations for Bell Comm. He says that since they got those men on the moon, the job has lost its charm for him—all down hill work now!

Al **Robbins** has a new job. He is Methods and Procedures Analyst for the Girl Scouts of America. Jean assures me that the analysis is strictly limited to operational problems and is not allowed to include the girls. Elder son, David Robbins, got his BA in math at Dartmouth in '67, his Master's at Bucknell in '68, and is now working for his Ph.D. in math at Duke. Their younger son, Andrew, is on the Dean's list at Bucknell.



1935: Stillman, Riemenschneider, Critz.

1935: George Oglesby and Margaret.

Carmon and Rosalie **Rogers** have a new grandson, Jon Lawrence, born 30 June, 2d son of daughter Susan and her husband, Dick Frank. The **Rumseys** also have a new grandson, Kevin, born 16 Aug., weight 9 pounds 2 ounces, 2d son of David and Judy Rumsey of Laurel, Md.

Ed **Ferris** wants everyone to know that he and Marie at last have an Army Officer son. Eldest son, Mike, entered West Point but got diverted to the AF and now flies for Delta. Second son, Pat, spent two years in the Navy and then entered The Citadel still in Naval Reserve. After graduation from The Citadel in June 1968, Pat tried business-life briefly, then enlisted in the Army for OCS. After many months of training, he is now a 2LT at Ft. Hood, Tex. However, this may be just a starter. Third son, Danny, is a second classman at West Point, and youngest son, Timmy, is a senior at Georgetown Prep.

Last spring George **Oglesby** wrote another nice letter and enclosed the accompanying photograph of himself and his bride, Margaret. He reports that Frank and Ruth **McGoldrick** came to the wedding and reception. Margaret is a graduate of U. of Wis. where her father, Dr. Walter Meanwell, was Director of Athletics and a prominent figure in the sports world, especially basketball. George says we who attend the Reunion next June will meet Margaret because they will be there. I think that pretty bride with the sparkling eyes must also have x-ray capabilities in order to see the heart of gold beneath George's rugged exterior.

'36

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When the picture (Summer ASSEMBLY) was taken of Jean Hoey, holding the colored print of the 1936 Memorial, little did I guess how enthusiastic you would all be when you received your copy that she was mailing. Unless you inform us of your reactions, we don't know. In this case you DID, and I am so happy that Bill **Shuler** came up with this great idea that so many of you liked.

The **Austins** were able to go up to their northern vacation lake for a month; then they attended Howell **Estes'** retirement. Son Lally **Austin,** an experienced hotelman, has been in Atlanta several months, and we have enjoyed being with him numerous times. Bernie and Edna **Bess** came thru town but not long enough to meet. They were on a short trip north. Muriel **Carmichael** wrote that all her sons were home for a while. Dickie, looking for a medical school; Scott, before going on an Annapolis summer cruise. Lucy **Chiles** wrote that her Jack Hall was with them a short while before going to the BEAST DETAIL; Lucylee departed for VN to be a supervisor in Arts and Crafts. Ted **Clifton** was here in July calling on one of his clients, Coca Cola. Our timing was a little off, so I met him at the airport; he pushed the grocery cart while I did the commissary shopping; then we went to his hotel for a drink. We enjoyed a far more comprehensive reunion this way than most I've had. Bill **Connor** had his usual busy summer. He took 4 courses at Middlebury; young Bill and family were visiting in Charleston before he goes back to VN; and finally Cassie was married in Sept. to John Townsend. Bob **Curran** wrote from Manatee College, Fla., stating that he and his 4 women had been together this summer; daughter Cass had had extensive hip surgery. Hap Dalton has been exercising his mind this summer with such ideas as a book on "humor at West Point" and running down old friends. On the latter subject, he says that Jack and Eunice **Phelan** had a son Johnny II who is a Wall St. Lawyer and has a son, J.J. IV. Eunice remarried a Dr. James Ryan whom Dick **Carmichael** knew. Hap's point is that the memory of our beloved Classmate is still kept "green."

Ken **Dawalt** said he's been at Redstone and visited with Nancy and Doc **Mohlere** and Bob **Kessler.** He made a presentation at Air War College and dined with Carolyn and Bub **Clark.** Randy **Dickens** is still with N.C. State U. and has acquired a beach cottage. The youngest **Dorland** boy Rick was married to Linda Lamb in Aug. The **Dorlands** also saw all children this summer — except Gil? They moved into their new home in Greensboro 1 Oct. Gil has known the principals at Carolina Steel for many years and is happy to be associated with them.

As this is written, he has not made a job decision; but by the time you read this, Howell **Estes** undoubtedly will have already become one of the top execs in America. Westy and Kitsy and the **Austins** were at his 28 July retirement. Later on a trip he visited the Ace **Millers** and **Carmichaels** and **Austins** (again). Hazel **Finkel** flew back to London to be with a sick mother for a short while; son Marshall was home from first year medical school in Canada. George **Finley** wrote that he'd had some artery trouble and was in the hospital in Jan. He also said his youngest (21) son Jim had passed away Nov. '68 from muscular dystrophy. (This is news I wish I never heard). George went back into the corridors of our minds and brought up this: Bill **Fickes** was NOT on a golf course when struck by lightning. He was high in the Rockies constructing a rifle range for troops stationed at Ft. Logan, Colo. John **McElheny** and George brought his body back to Ohio to his parents. He says he still has a Christmas ornament that Bill had as a boy and which his family gave to George as a keepsake.

Tom and Jean **Hayes** returned from Europe after a little sickness mixed into their vacation. He was retired at Belvoir on 17 July

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1936: Left to right, Betsy and Ike Smith, Jean and Tom Hayes, Kay and Bruce Palmer, Jane and Bill Kinard, and Marcia Smith at Ft. Belvoir, Va., 17 July 1969.

and then had a mint-julep steak (out) here the following night. The occasion was a very warm and pleasant "good-bye" for a great family and Classmate. Sadly, it will be difficult to forget this evening of the 18th for another party of same date – the cookout at Chappaquiddick Island! Tommy will be pres of International Engineering Co., San Francisco. Ben and Midge **Evans** arrived in Atlanta shortly after the **Hayes** left. Ben is the new Dpty Army Comdr. Johnny **Heintges** will also be the new Dpty Army Comdr in Korea – Dpty to Mike. The **Hesses** came to Atlanta for 3 days in July, and we spent all of "their time" together. Helen FINALLY got to see Club 50 which she christened 31 years earlier. Doris **Hiester** wrote that Dave is going to nite school; she and he did some outdoor "tenting" with daughter, Darrell and children. Lyn and Clark **Hosmer** in July accepted a new job with Georgia State U. with operations in Columbus, Ga. They debated where to go for almost 6 months, and we are certain leaving their beautiful new home in Shalimar, Fla. was a HARD decision. Their health and their philosophies couldn't be higher – so they WILL BE happy in their new location. God bless 'em! In July a Mrs. Dorothy Bennett of Liz's acquaintance and a long-time Atlanta resident realized suddenly that I was her brother's Classmate; she is John **Jakle**'s sister and is in regular communication with Flo out in San Antonio. Received a long letter from Bill **Jordan** in Miami. He said he'd contacted Jack **Arnold**. Katie **Joyce** called from airport in Sept. carrying greetings from her family in Chicago. Katie is a Sister of Charity, and she was on her way back to Longbeach, Miss., where she is physically assisting in the rebuilding of the church and school which were demolished by Camille.

On 25 July, another of our wonderful sons left us in VN – CPT J.E. Kelly Jr. USMA '67. Another young wife and a mother and a father have lost a piece of their hearts with him.

Art **Kramer** wrote that he had gone out to Calif. to see his daughter Marion Ruth who is an MD and resident at Stanford Medical Center. Art is head of Electronics Dept of Holyoke Community College. Larry **Laurion** wrote from Wichita. He had visited in Wash-

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1936: Estes, Miller, and Davis in Korea, March 1969.

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ington on business and seen **Kelly, Sievers,** and **Illig.** Mike wrote from Korea and his new job as Comdr. He anticipates some busy times in his new assignment next door to a very antagonistic enemy nation. All of us are greatly pleased to see Mike in this 4-star billet. Guess '36 can offer a powerful team with the "two Johnnies" running the show (Mike and **Heintges**). Mike, of course, must have some reminiscences about the land of Chosen: "from LTC to full GEN"! Nip **Page** messaged from Raleigh and told me his son, 1st classman Tom, is doing well at USMA.

Bruce **Palmer** took time to write and call several times with his more-than-average pride and interest in our great Class. He and Kay had visited Oren **Swain** in El Paso where Oren is a stock broker, and Vera is a talented professional painter. He has seen Bev **Powell** at CONARC and Jim **Lampert** who has returned on occasion from Okinawa to make reports. Ted **Clifton** got Bruce to attend a Foreign Policy discussion group and to make a short speech. He has been supervising the convalescence of young Bill **Haneke,** and he pinned Tommy **Hayes** with his 2d DSM at the latter's retirement. He saw **Estes** and **Nazzaro** also in Washington this summer. Received a very pleasant note from Bob **Quinn** stating that Rob is in VN and about to put on MAJ's leaves. Bill **Shuler's** Class activities have not been much during the summer months, but the Class and I can certainly rejoice at his carrying the presidency of the Washington chapter for a 4th year. Please try to remember that just after the 20th of every month, Bill has a well-attended Class luncheon at the Pentagon. If going into the Washington area, check to see if you can attend.

Howie **Snyder** came to Atlanta and honored me with his presence at lunch in July. His hospital is the "apple of his eye," and of course, this keeps him in Columbus. Son Tom was home a while this summer. Cec **Spann** reports that a severe back condition forced him to sell his home and move into a condominium in Plantation, Fla. He misses his avocadoes, mangoes, and citrus. He became a grandfather for 3d and 4th time with arrival of twin boys. Ginny runs the city library and won't quit 'cause she received a new office. Oren **Swain** got the finest Father's Day present any dad could expect – all 4 of his sons were with him at El Paso – all safe and well. Edgar **Thompson** announced that he believes the **Thompsons** have a "first" in the Class: son Andrew is at U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Class 1973. He says Andrew had appointments to both WP and Annapolis but made this choice. In July Ed Wallnau spent a few days on Jim Billy's farm. Said it was great and JB was "really living" midst cattle, sheep, pigs, and tobacco. Wort and Patty **Williams** are planning an eastern trip in Oct. to visit son Ralph at Citadel. He will be able to see a few of us Classmates as well. Willie **Yarborough** took up his new duties as Dpty Army Comdr at Ft. Shafter. Understand that Bobby **O'Brien** has a winning race horse up near Washington.

This summer, your Scribe was present at a very fine ordination to the Roman priesthood of son Phil III, now Father Philip. The occasion was highlighted by many wonderful situations, none greater than having our wonderful friends and Classmates, Helen and Whitey **Hess** and Westy in attendance.

'37

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With great sadness I report the death of George **Walker** on 31 Aug. George had been ill since the preceding Nov. He was one of the best-liked and most respected men in our class; those of us who were his close personal friends have experienced a great loss. His unique warmth of personality, his wonderful wit and good humor, and his forthright common sense were qualities we all cherished. George had been posted as CG at Belvoir shortly before his illness. Jo will live in Alexandria in a home they purchased recently.

Wil **Wilhoyt** recently sent me the kind of letter which is a joy for any Scribe to receive. After chiding me for missing 1 issue of ASSEMBLY, he goes on: ". . . Howie **Smalley** and I are collaborating to be sure you have something to publish.

"On 27 July Howie and Peg **Smalley** had a class get-together at their home in Greenbrae, Calif. (in Marin Co.–north of San Francisco). Present were Wil and Dolly **Wilhoyt,** Flora and Posheng **Yen,** Mort and June **Magoffin,** Jack **Worcester,** Meyer **Edwards** (Mary was busy selling real estate), and Lois and Tommy **Compton.** It was a fine brunch which actually turned into a farewell party for the **Comptons** as they will be moving to Burbank, Calif., in a short while. Regretting were the **Skeldons, Youngs, Chapmans, Richards, Porterfields, Tinchers, Stanns, Barkos,** and Johnny **Nance.**

"Howie **Smalley** reported on their trip to Ak. They stayed a few days with Bill and Hope **Amos** in their home near Tacoma, Wash. Bill is teaching school, and next year expects to do the same at the school at Lewis. The **Smalleys** also had a brief visit with the **Lemmons** at Ft. Richardson, Ak., where he is CG of USARAL.

"I recently saw Fred **Ressegieu** when he was briefly in town from Montreal where he lives and manages the construction of the huge Churchill Falls hydroelectric development in Newfoundland. Fred, as you may know, is a VP of Canadian Bechtel.

"Dan **Richards** who is an engineer with Bechtel in San Francisco has been in Africa recently getting a new job started. He was even out of town when Jane threw a party in honor of their new grandson, whose parents are MAJ and Mrs. Larry Richards.

"Jim **Skeldon** is doing a fine job as C/S, Sixth Army, at the Presidio. He and Elaine just returned from a trip up north and reported that the salmon fishing was great.

"Dolly and I are fine. We have a new grandchild too–this time a girl named after the 2 of us–Ellis Elizabeth. The parents are MAJ and Mrs. Ralph B. Garretson.

"Dave, I hope this will give you some ammunition. . . ." That it did, Wil, and many thanks for your help.

Dick **Williams,** who works across the hall from me, brought in a clipping from the Manila "Chronicle" which has a picture and a story about the arrival in Manila of the new American Ambassador to the Philippines, Hank **Byroade.** Hank was reported to have brought with him plans to "modernize" Philippine-American relations "along the lines set by Pres Nixon."

1937: Metz directs a memorial ceremony for GEN William Sooy Smith at Forest Park, Ill.

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1937: Class get-together at the Smalleys in Greenbrae, Calif. Standing, left to right, Flora Yen, Wil Wilhoyt, Posheng Yen, Tommy Compton, Jack Worcester, Peg Smalley, Howie Smalley. Seated, left to right, Lois Compton, Mort Magoffin, Dolly Wilhoyt, Meyer Edwards, June Magoffin.

Choppy **Brett** passed along a clipping from the New Orleans "Post Record" which he had received from Giles **Evans** (Jacksonville); it shows Bill **Lewis,** acting director for planning and engineering of the Port of New Orleans, receiving a plaque naming him to membership in the National Defense Executive Reserve. The Reserve, established by the Pres by executive order in 1964, is composed of persons selected from industry for executive positions in the Federal government in the event of an emergency.

The WP Society of Chicago of which Pop Metz is pres sent me a press release and photo of a ceremony, sponsored by the Society, honoring GEN William Sooy Smith. There was a memorial service and the dedication of a monument to GEN Smith, who was USMA Class of 1853 and who became one of GEN U.S. Grant's most brilliant commanders. The ceremony was held in Forest Park, where GEN Smith had been buried in a previously unmarked grave.

Bob **Stegmaier** has kindly sent in a bit of news from the Southwest. Writing from Sun City, he says that Coy **Curtis** is selling real estate in Tempe; Dan **Russell** is running an apartment complex in Scottsdale; Charley **Mitchum** is pursuing his 2d career—eye doctor—in Chandler, while Bob himself lives retired on the 18th tee in Sun City. At the Founders Day dinner in Tucson, Luke **Elkins,** a retired gentleman, and Bob **Griffin,** employed in his electronics specialty, joined Bob to represent the Class of 1937. On 26 July, Bob and his wife Ruby attended the wedding of their granddaughter in Topeka, Kans. As Bob says, tempus fugit.

I have received a change of address from Parker **Calvert** who now lives in San Antonio. Carl **Lindquist** has written from San Diego to ask for a list of addresses of the Class; I shall obtain the most up-to-date one I can from the AOG and try to make it available to all who want one.

The great event of the quarter was the wonderful luncheon given in June by Swede **Ohman** on a fancy cruiser which he has at his disposal at Bolling AFB. The occasion was the regularly scheduled lunch date for the Washington chapter (always the 4th Thurs. in each month, for you out-of-towners who may happen by at the right moment—regularly at Arlington Hall, although the locale may be changed soon), and the promise of the yacht ride, plenty of free drinks, and a good free luncheon brought out more members than our usual luncheons. We cruised up and down the Potomac for a couple of hours while enjoying Swede's lavish hospitality. Since this one was the only Class lunch we have seen Swede himself attend since my return to Washington (July, 1967), we conclude that we must prevail on Swede to be host more often.

The Aug. lunch was attended by only 7, perhaps due to vacations. Present were Bruce **Bissell,** Dave **Parker,** Choppy **Brett,** Paul **Whittemore,** Lee **Martin,** Trapper **Drum,** and Bill **Hipps.** The animated discussion was mainly about Sen Kennedy, bad armament buys, and where we should hold luncheons in the future—no decision was made at the time.

'38

Brig. Gen. William K. Skaer
1431 South 21st Street
Arlington, Va. 22202

The Class of '38 is still keeping things humming world-wide. From the Far East comes word from Tony **Chanco** that as a retired MG in the Philippine Army he and Dimps are still located in Manila where he earns his "beans and tortillas" as VP of Vinnell Corp in charge of its Philippine Div. As such he does quite a bit of construction for the Navy CEC at U.S. bases at Clark, Subic, and Sangley. Tony is also VP and General Manager of Vinnell-Belvoir, a local corp doing work in the Philippine economy. He is obviously quite a busy young man and does a lot of traveling, sometimes to the U.S.A. Tony and Dimps have 2 youngsters in the U.S., son Pedro in college at Glendale, Calif., and daughter Weeya doing post graduate work at Occidental College in Los Angeles. Their youngest daughter Paulette (age 10) is still keeping them hopping at home.

Our neighbor to the south, Mexico, was recently favored by Jeff **Irvin's** assignment as Defense Attaché with the U.S. Embassy. As an "expert" on Mexico, I consider that Jeff is a very lucky fellow and should really enjoy his next 2½ years there. He and Babbie are well located in government quarters in Lomas de Chapultepec and have their 12-year-old daughter Juju with them. Their son Ross, USMA '68, commands an Inf platoon south of Kontum, and son Jep is a Yearling at WP.

Other transfers during the summer saw Lou and Ellen **Coira** leaving San Antonio for Japan where Lou is now Vice Comdr of the 5th AF, PACAF. The **Coiras** are located at Hunshu and no doubt are by now well acquainted with sauna baths and other charms of Japan. Bev **Beverley,** C/S of the Eighth Army since early summer, is probably holding hands—or vice versa—with Ward **Ryan** our Chief of the U.S. Advisory Group in Korea. Claire **Hutchin** received his new assignment as CG of the V Corps in Germany. Not bad—exotic Hawaii to an exciting post in Europe. Not to be outdone G.G. **O'Connor** has been designated to command the VII Corps with a promotion to LTG. He and Hope are scheduled to arrive on station in early Oct.

Returning to the good old U.S.A. was Dick **Stilwell** who was sworn in as DC/S OPS of the Army and Senior U.S. Army Member of the Military Staff Committee of the UN. Ken **Wickham,** as he does on all of these momentous occasions in the Army Chief's office, did the swearing in and otherwise intoned the benediction. John **Finn** came back from Okinawa in Aug. to take up his duties as Dpty CG for Reserve Affairs at Third Army, Ft. McPherson, Ga. Ben **Sternberg** also has been reassigned from his job with USARPAC, but his present location is not known to your Scribe.

Jack and Jo **Ryan** have moved into the Air Force C/S's quarters not far from those of Art and Nim **Collins** at Myers. Jo and Jack can now dine in splendor with the picture window in their living room framing a wonderful view of the Capitol, Washington Monument, and the Lincoln Memorial. In his new job Jack finds that convincing Congress of the merits of the C-5A, F-15, etc. is quite a challenge. Among his other tasks will be finding a worthy assignment for Eighth AF Chief Bill **Kieffer** whose headquarters at Westover AFB is soon to be deactivated.

Our Washington mainstay Jerry **Folda** left his Pentagon duties in mid-Sept. for Monroe where he became DC/S OPS for Reserve Affairs of CONARC. He and Rosalie were delighted not only to find themselves on a post again but also to be not-distant neighbors of Frank and Diana **Norris.** Frank who is still Com of the AFSC is most content with life in Norfolk and his associations with upcoming generals and admirals. He speaks very highly of those '38ers including **Ryan, Chesarek,** and **Kieffer** who have journeyed to Norfolk to give his young hopefuls "the word."

On the civilian front more and more of our retirees are finding their nitches. Pete **Sights** who resides in Arlington, Va., is still writing on military history and strategy. The July issue of the "Air Force/Space Digest" carried an excellent **Sights'** rendition entitled "Tactical Bombing: The Unproved Element." For his part Jim **Mrazek** is still receiving kudos for his book "The Art of Winning Wars" (New York: Walker and Company). "Ordnance" in reviewing the book states "This could be the most important book of the

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decade as far as military professionals are concerned"; and the "Armed Forces Journal" reviewer proclaimed that "The Art of Winning Wars" is "the most significant military book of 1969."

Washington still seems to be a popular place for a number of us who have donned civilian clothes. Sam and **Patsy Eaton** who just had to have one more look at the Pentagon passed through in early Sept. en route to their orange groves in Ojai, Calif. Bob **York** was seen in town disposing of his house here prior to taking up permanent residence in Huntsville, Ala. Gailon **McHaney** was also a recent Washington visitor. Now a resident of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., Gailon has become the Area Representative for the Retired Officers Association. In a letter to your Scribe he encouraged all '38ers, retired and active, who are not members to join the association. He further stated that "A letter to the association at 1625 Eye St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20006 will get you the details. The Association represents all retired officers on Capitol Hill and, among other things, seeks correction of the retired pay system and the dual compensation laws."

Dutch **Williams** who has finally decided to settle down in Charlotte, N.C., has extra bedrooms and would be delighted to see any classmates passing by. After trying 6 months in St. Petersburg, Fla., the **Williams** decided that they were not quite that old, so they sold their house and moved to Charlotte where Dutch is with Cannon Aircraft Sales and Service based at Douglas Airport. As reported previously, the **Sherrards** are now well esconsed in Gainesville, Fla., in their golf course home and have recently greeted the **Riordans** as new residents of the community. In another university town somewhat removed from Fla., the St. Louis U. News recently announced that the oldest university west of the Mississippi had just conferred the degree of Master of Science in Physics and Mathematics on Brooks **Wilson.**

Finally—some vignettes from WP. The Corps now has a substantial representation of '38 offspring. Class of '70—William **Ekman,** James **Henderson,** Fred **Lough** Jr.; Class of '71—Robert **Ashworth** Jr., Richard **Hartline,** Robert **Harvey,** Joseph **Rhyne,** Eric **Sundin;** Class of '72—William **Bixby,** Richard **Ekman,** Jefferson **Irvin** Jr., Robert **Miller** (Frank), Harold **Thomas** (Jesse); Class of '73—Steven **Frolich** and Jeremy **Miller** (Frank). In addition Johnny **Jannarone's** 2d oldest boy Robert graduated last June. Phil and Dotty **Browning** attended the Aug. wedding of their son Phil Jr. who is stationed at USMA. The **Stilwells** were also present for the occasion. And Bill **Ekman's** oldest son MAJ **Ekman** just reported for duty at WP in the office of PE.

Evelyn and I are about to take off for a 3-month trip around the world. Among those we hope to see are our daughter Diana who is married to an AF MAJ at Ramstein AB, Germany, and Evelyn's brother Bob Land (USMA '46) who is in Japan supervising construction of a 300,000 ton tanker for Gulf Oil Co. En route we hope to check in with those classmates who happen to be located in the places that we will visit.

'39

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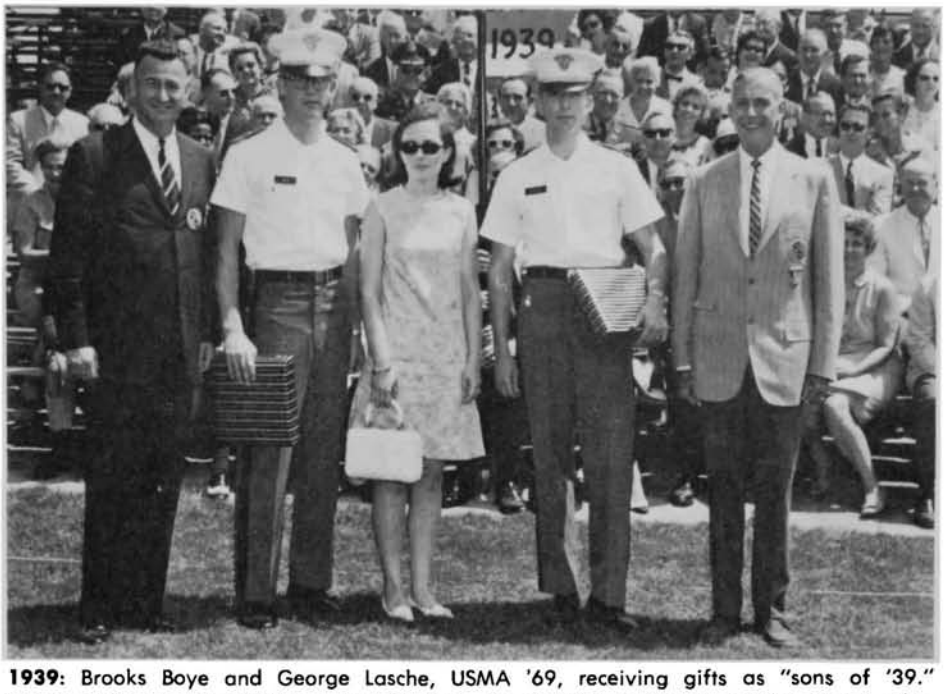
The Summer Issue of ASSEMBLY was mailed so close to the deadline for the notes for this issue, that the flood of information which I have every confidence my plea in July has evoked, has simply not had time to arrive. But keep it coming, and it will all be in the Winter Issue. In the interim, those 2 stalwarts, Frank **Kobes** and Ed **Hamilton,** have provided ample grist for the mill.



1939: Brooks Boye and George Lasche, USMA '69, receiving gifts as "sons of '39." Left to right: Preacher Williams, Brooks Boye, Brooks' fiance, George Lasche, Bud Lasche.

Frank relays a request from Carl **Buechner** that we report the 25-30 year book is still available to those who did not get one, by writing to—you guessed it—Frank **Kobes** WP. And please enclose $15.50. For those who have already paid their money but are still waiting for the merchandise, let Frank know, and he will check it out. Four books sent out have been returned because of incorrect addresses. They are for **Troiano, Herkness, Clough,** and **Cochran.** If anyone knows the whereabouts of these 4, let Frank know.

From SAC comes word that Jim **Knapp,** after an eventful tour as senior member, MAC, UNC in Korea, has been assigned to command of the Chanute Technical Training Center, Chanute AFB.

In answer to Ed **Hamilton's** invitation to join the gang for the Ore. weekend in Nov. (see Summer ASSEMBLY), Harvey **Fraser** answered from the S.Dak. School of Mines that he could not attend because "we have our own football season at the college, and the Pres has to be on hand here." Weak excuse, Harvey.

Jay **Dawley** is retired and back in the Washington area, at 1528 Crestwood Lane, McLean, Va. Reil **Crandall** also retired on that magic day in Aug., in a ceremony at WP. He and Bea now take up Post Engineer duties at Trinity College in Hartford. Bob (Reverend) **Williams** has settled in Ga. after surgery and retirement for disability. Bob (K Co) **Williams** is also retired and living in Ga. (Columbus). Sleepy **Coleman** ditto in Ft. Lewis, Wash. (P.O. Box 33003) and Don **Serrem** and Joe **Dietz** likewise, but in Tacoma (at 10902, 101st Ave. SW and 8027 Shady Wood Lane, SW, respectively). Jap **Wilson** was also last reported ditto, asleep in the sun in Tucson, Ariz.

1939: MG Jack Samuel presenting Class of '39 Gift to son Tom, Class of '69, USAFA.

Huey **Long** reports from San Diego, in answer to Ed **Hamilton's** circular for the Ore. affair, that "Bob and Skipper **Little** moved in here just a few blocks from us. Bob is planning to go to San Diego State College—which I can see just across the highway from me—to get into the teaching racket. I'm already in, as is Orin **Rigley.** BJ and I are going up to Newport Beach tomorrow to visit Jack and Fran **Bestic**—a 90-mile trip we make frequently. The **Medinnises** drop down there from the Los Angeles area once in a while. We had dinner with Bill **Martin** in his new apartment beside the civic center in L.A. recently—Mary was in Aspen, Colo. that weekend. We're hoping to pop over to Denver to help Riggs **Sullivan** marry off his daughter early in Sept. The **Sullivans** are moving to Aspen now or about now. So we're keeping in touch. A few months ago Red **McGowan** had a fine shindig for available '39ers and dug up quite a few from the L.A. area—Joe **Perry,** George **Howard,** etc."

George **Jumper's** 2 sons, George Jr. and Eric, are AF engr officers stationed at Wright-Pat; and George hopes to get the 3d, Geoff, into WP soon. Mike and Jean **Davison's** son Donald is a Plebe in the Corps this year. Frank **Kobes** reports he is taller than Mike. And better looking, too. Frank also received a very gracious thank-you from LT T.H. **Samuel,** USAF, who was presented the Class Gift on his graduation from the USAFA this year by his father, one Jack **Samuel.**

Dottie and Speedy **Hull** gave their annual splash party for all '39ers in the NY area on 31 Aug. at their home in Cresskill, N.J. Present were Dave and Bridget **Dillard,** Ann and Walt **Higgins,** Jackie and Henry **Newcomer,**

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Al **Evans**, Marjorie and Bob **Rogers**, Janie and Jim **Roberts**, and Lydia and Frank (J) **Kobes**.

On a recent trip to Benning to see his son complete basic training, Ed **Hamilton** stayed with COL and Mrs. Lathrop. Jan Lathrop is Fuzzy **Harrison's** widow.

Elder **James**, who has been Dir of the Student Counseling Bureau at the U. of Ariz. for the last 10 years, reports that they have a small West Point Chapter, with about 100 members on the books and a hard core of 10 to 20 actives, in Tucson. He and Jap **Wilson** are the only '39ers.

Jim **Reardon** leaves Tallahassee in Sept. with an Advanced Master's in Education, and will be working either for a management consultant firm out of Tampa or in the university system in Southern Fla.

Dr. John A. **Scholl**, ex-'39, who some of you may remember was at the Reunion in May, is in search of a '39 Howitzer. If anyone knows of an available copy, contact Johnny at 18 Moore St., Belmont, Mass., 02178.

Keep those letters coming.

Funeral services for John Watt, Inf, were conducted in the Old Cadet Chapel at WP Mon., 15 Sept. 1969, followed by interment in the Post Cemetery. Death occurred at the Great Lakes Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill. Mickey **Laitman**, Jim **Roberts**, John **Wald**, and Frank **Kobes** served at honorary pall bearers. Johnny had been ill for the past year and had just been given a year's extension in his job as PMS at the Milwaukee Branch of the U of Wisc.

1940: Left to right: Greg Sr., Lucy, Anne, Greg Jr., Osborn.

'40

Lt. Col. Henry R. Brewerton
New York Military Academy
Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y. 12520

If the winds blow fair and the mails go through by the time you receive this, you should have Bulletin No. 1, and perhaps Bulletin No. 2 concerning the 30th Reunion. If you have not received the information, assert yourself, write me a stinging letter of approbation, I only ask that with it you put your correct address which in many cases I need badly.

Rather than reprint the bulletin I say to you that the magic days of the 30th are the 27, 28 and 29th of May. Set these aside as well as cash and come back to the plain.

And now for people: **Osborn** is alive and well and living in Culver, Ind. See picture. Greg Oz's roommate lo these many years is at left then comes Lucy a 2d year medical student, then Anne a 4th year medical student, and next to Oz is Greg Jr. a senior at Stanford, and then Osborn. Lanny **Witt** has a son taller than he is in the service, (see picture) who just graduated from The Citadel last June and plays championship golf.

1940: Lanny Witt and son Chris

The **Wetzels** are back from overseas and can be reached at 4056 Oakwood Pl, Riverside, Calif. Expect to move into a new home in mid-Nov.

The Bliss contingent, led by Dick **Cassidy**, are "OB" **O'Brien**, Bill **Saunders**, Jim Rat **Moore**, Robbie **Norris**, and Jake **Taylor** (retired in El Paso).

Don **Bennett**, back from job as CG VII Corps in Germany to Quarters 27-A, Ft. Myer, Va. 22211, authored personal recollections on Omaha Beach called "Fox Green Easy Red" in "Armed Forces Journal." Jack **Wright** is new Comdr of 101st Airborne Div. Jack **Townsend** and Freddie **Yeager** are retired but keep addresses secret from me. Sam **Patten** PMS at Syracuse reports that Ford **Fuller** has same job at Penn. Military College, Chuck **Oglesby** at Hofstra U., Steve **Silvasy** at La Salle College in Philadelphia, and Dick **Shagrin** at U. of Toledo. Sam was CO of ROTC Group at Indiantown Gap last summer with a projection of about 6190 ROTC students doing summer military work. This is for First Army only.

Christopher Brook **Witt** married Rita Jane Newton on 13 Sept. The "Washington Cabal" is still in existence, and if you want information on any classmate in Washington, write to Kermit R. **Dyke** 1516 Woodacre Dr., McLean, Va. 22101.

Dave **Crocker** dropped in to see me and reported the sad news that his oldest son was killed in VN this spring. Dave will retire next year and is looking for a place to build, probably in Conn. His address at present is 1138 Westcott Rd., Schenectady, N.Y. 12306. Charlie **Balthis** who is Exec to Chief, Office of Reserve Components, sends a clipping announcing the engagement of his daughter Elizabeth to Alan Kirk Gray whose father is exec Asst to Sec of HEW.

Hank **Miley** nominated for 3-stars, so Fotheringill Files finally makes it. See 25th year HOWITZER. Hank's job is Dpty CG Army Material Command.

Pictures have arrived from the **Coontz** party in Calif. last May, and I cannot possibly get by this ASSEMBLY without requesting that understanding Dan Halpin, Asst Ed of ASSEMBLY publish a picture of the real Master, Big John **Coontz** cooling it. (see picture) The party was a success with host **Coontz** and hostess Tyke, Vic and Billie **Conley**, Joe and Jean **Ruebel**, Wendell and Charlotte **Sell**, Zeke and Marian **Summers**, Don and Mary **Yeuell**, Roy and Sis **Nelson**, Manley and Susie **Perry**, Sal and Evelyn **Rizza**, and Bill and Ann **Shanahan**. Dick **Cassidy** and John **Aber** formed the stag line. Jim **Loewus** and Andy **Budz** plan to attend the reunion. Andy's address is 1437 Deer Path Rd., Mountainside, N.J.

Lucky Europe. It has to contend with **Milton, Vaughan, Penney, Clapsaddle, Noble, Delaney, Schmaltz, Baumer, Bavaro,** and

1940: Big John Coontz

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Munson. And lucky us. At the Reunion we will be able to welcome Steve **Bagstad**, John **Colacicco**, R.H. **Gasperini**, Bill **Roedy**, and R.S. **Wetherill** to the Long Gray Line. They all graduate in 1970. Bob **Warren**, holder of many jobs in the AF, has been assigned to a new job, that of Dpty Asst Secy of Defense, Military Assistance and Sales. Bob **Williams** from USARV to ACSFOR.

Larry **Klar** has retired and is living in Tallahassee, Fla. Received his Master's in Fine Arts from George Washington and has finished most of his work towards a Ph.D. at Fla. State. And as he says, "In what? Theater of course! What else?"

Ferrill, Woodward, and **Merchant** have been unusually quiet, so I have nothing to report of a riotous nature.

When you get this, the holidays will be hard upon us, and I wish you the happiest. I do need your address. Maybe on an old Xmas card.

Salud

'41

Col. Burton C. Andrus Jr.
1080 Mokulu Dr.
Kailua, Hawaii 96734

1941: Presentation of Class Gifts to Cadet B.C. Andrus III, USAFA, by very proud grandfather, COL B.C. Andrus, US Cav Ret, and father, Burt Andrus, Class Scribe '41.

Let the record show that the AF mandatory retireds marched out of ranks with heads held high, proud of the job the Class of '41 has done in 3 wars, proud of the contributions made by those who are retired, and proud of those who remain on active duty, standing up to the massive diatribe that is leveled against our profession these days. For the information of those who hate our country, the Class of '41 still stands as 1, still responsive to the oath we took on the Plain on 1 July, '37. And don't you ever forget it!

We are extremely proud that 2 of our stalwarts have been chosen by the DA to be promoted to MG. Hats off to Burnside **Huffman** and Felix **Gerace**!

In Aug. your reporter had an opportunity to make a trip to the "Mainland", as we say in Hi., and to participate in a rally of the (perhaps largest) class chapter—the "South San Francisco Bay USMA Black '41 Society." At the Moffett Officer's Open Mess on 16 Aug. under the outstanding leadership of Pres. Pooge **Curtis**, a 15-man, 12-bride reunion took place complete with trimmings provided by our allies in the (pardon the expression) Navy. There were Pooge, planning bigger and better military-industrial complex programs for Lockheed, and Bucky **Curtis**; Bud, manufacturing professional tape decks, and Carole **Thompson**; Lew, also with Lockheed, and Ann **Elder**; Jack, Comptrolling for Stanford Research Institute, and Muriel **Christensen**; Vince, a Division Chief with Westinghouse and Roberta **Carlson**; Bill, just stepping up to VP with a Real Estate Firm and Margaret **Hershenow**; Walt, still abiding the Defense Industry with Lockheed, and Doris **Mullane**; Bob, teaching high school, and Delores **Tuttle**; Bob, teaching Business Law at Chico State, and Bev **Johnson**; Fred, with a very sophisticated consultant firm and Mykie **Stanford**; Gregg, a long range planner with Litton, and Mickey **McKee**; and Ray, who could jump on a horse and double for Loren Green, **Schnittke**. Two representatives from the San Diego chapter honored us all by there presence. Norm and Chappy **Coker** and Ben **McCaffery** made the long trip to San Jose, and it was great to see them. This was a wonderful seminar, and the dinner was excellent. Others in the area supporting the claim that they outnumber the DC chapter are: Ace **Tyndall**, Stan **Ramee**, Jim McElroy, Howard **Goodell**, Lynn **Lee**, Peer **deSilva**, Paul **Root**, Babe **Hendrickson**, Ted **Sliney**, Paul **Pigue**, Tom **Ward**, Chuck **Cannon**, Matt **Harrison**, Merritt **Hewitt**, Charles **Carman**, Ted **Celmer**, and Arnold **Hoebeke**. That's 29 troops; can you Pentagonners beat 'em?

During my visit, I was guest of Dr. and Mrs. John M. **Christensen** of Los Altos Hills. Let me say, dear classmates, that there may be people living higher on the hog, but this reporter ain't met them. I'd have to be the editor of "House & Garden" to describe Chez Chris adequately. A gym-sized living room with a viewer's view, a beautiful garden with a wall-to-wall swimming pool and an annex, separated from the mansion where the Dr., surrounded by his tomes and files, can ponder the world's problems undisturbed.

Muriel and Jack are justifiably proud of young Jack who has joined 1 of the oldest brokerage houses in NY. Having completed his Master's in Bus Admin last year, he is off and running in the securities business.

In LA, I dropped in on Bill and Ruth **Gurnee** who manage to remain flexible and charming in spite of such intrusions. Bride Andree, looking as radiant as ever, was bunking with them while the groom was finishing up his military training stint.

The Gurnees and **Christensens** promise an invasion of Hawaii before Christmas, and we are really looking forward to a chance to reciprocate all their kindness. Note: We're in a beach house on Lanikai and lay claim to the world's largest pool and best trade wind air conditioning. Y'all come!

After much casting about, I finally settled in the Estate Planning business with M. H. Deckard. Was fortunate enough to have been invited to join a new organization which has recently become affiliated with an old, established Honolulu outfit.

Walt **Mullane** has conducted a one-man congressional investigation of the Life Insurance Business. He gave me a short lecture at the Moffett club followed by a letter with forms and graphs the complexity of which I haven't seen since steam tables.

Wray **White** sent in an article typical of the times. Some joker of a reporter, whose name did not appear, was taking Walt **Woolwine** to task over testimony he made on the Hill regarding the M-16 rifle. Obviously full of distortion, the article was another example of the carefully planned efforts to discredit our profession. We all know exactly where the inspiration for this kind of journalism comes from. Stay in there, Walter.

We regret mightily that Kay and Roy **Kelley** were at deRussy for a week in Aug. and because of our move to a new address, we missed them. Roy has just moved to Portland to take command of the NW Engr Div.

The Hi. Chapter, only 4 strong, has old timers, Stan **Hutson** and Dick **Delaney**, and new comers, Curt **Chapman** and your Scribe. We have seen Stan and Peg who are happy apartment dwellers, 1615 Wylder, Apt 507, near Punahou where Peg is teaching French. The **Chapmans** are back—Terry from a "heavenly" visit to her home in New England and Curt from a visit to the far reaches of his Pacific domain. He reports that Rip **Collins** has departed Korea after his (is it 3d?) tour. Son Bruce and lovely daughter Cindy are settled back in school—Iolani and St. Andrews, respectively. Stan spent a pleasant summer mountaineering in Washington where he could enjoy the company of his 2 grandchildren. Both daughters Ann and Pat are married and living on the W Coast. Son Mark is in U. of Hi., and Pete is a Jr. at Punahou. Stan and Peg both look great, and Stan would be a hard guy to beat in a sideburn contest.

A change of address card has Ed **Rowny** reporting to DC as Dpty Chief R&D, DA and having his home address 1105 23rd Rd, S, Arlington 22202. A news release cites Paul **Day** for his award of the LM on 13 July for exceptionally meritorious service as CO US Army Pac, Materiel Mgmt Agency. The release said he and Ruth were in Honolulu, but your private eye hasn't been able to find them.

Besides our military promotions, the class can be extremely proud of a new Pres. Dick

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Couch has taken command of GT&E International Systems Corp, a new subsidiary of GT&E. The new company will handle satellite earth stations, microwave comm, educational TV etc. The **Couches** live in Weston, Mass.

Biggie **Seamans** hit a long ball on his retirement; he was awarded the DSM for his extraordinary contribution to the success of the Pacific Command as DC/S Logistics. Another release reports the retirement of Baron **Von Schriltz** who will use his unique knowledge of military uniforms with a publicity firm as artist and military researcher in Asbury Park, NJ.

During a 2d visit to the W Coast to see my parents in Tacoma, I had the great shot in the arm of seeing Fran and Joe **Myers**—full of bounce, enthusiasm, and charm as usual. Joe, down to his cadet weight and looking like he could still run the 440, is working as a counselor on project Transition at Lewis. They have just moved to a new home in Lacy—Marie is in Jr Hi, Debbie and Pat are in Hi Schl, Frank is a Jr at Penn State. Charles (KO) Mullins is a 1st Lt USAF in VN. Jim Mullins, 1st Lt USA, is making a "fine recovery" after having lost a leg in VN. He married a "great gal" and Fran says she expects to be a grandmother in Feb. Joe said Frank **Linnell**, Dpty CG at Gordon, and John **Callaway**, Base CO at McPherson, both did much to help with Jim's problem.

Phoned, but did not have a chance to see, Martha and Bert **Rosenbaum**. They report "all fine" in the Put Put Golf business and that they are now dabbling in real estate.

The very sad news appeared in the "Journal" that Margaret Theresa **Kuzell**, a student at Stanford, was killed in an auto crash on 15 Aug. near Johannesburg. She was buried at West Point. The **Kuzells** can be reached at 9121 Dunsinane Ct, McLean, Va.

Phoned Horace **Brown** and learned that beside Wm. R. **Brown** (RD), Andrew D. **Thompson** (JD) is in the new Plebe class. David **Brier** is a Doolie at USAFA. Horace said they are expecting John **Brooks**, Potter **Campbell**, Ted **Shelton**, Pete **Tanous**, and John **Easton** for Homecoming.

I mentioned to Horace that it seemed high time to get a member of the Class on the Staff of the AOG. Horace concurred and said the deadline on such nominations was 1 Dec. I agreed to pass the idea on to the Class officers. Horace also pointed out that although Reunion is 21 months away, it is not too early to get some plans laid and reservations made for the key party areas. (In case anyone thinks we're getting old, there will be 8 anniversary classes senior to us; only 2 junior).

Not being able to locate Charlie **Canella** (our acting Pres), I contacted Jack **Millikin** who tapped Howdy **Clark** (in the adjoining office at Motorola) into the conference call, where the above items of class business were packaged for the next Class Luncheon agenda. During the chat Jack said things classwise in DC are slowing down, but he did pass on the great news that John **Easton** continues to improve—was in DC recently and plans to bring Julie and join the **Millikins** at the AF game.

Phoned Tom **Fisher** who reported all well at Bolt, Beranek, and Newman. He said, "Although there are a lot of classmates around, I never see any of them, not even nearby Joe **Knowlton**."

It is time to start thinking Christmas Letter. I'll have the forms out before the end of Oct. Let's make it the biggest yet.

And more important, let's add the Navy Goat to the Mothball Fleet!

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'42

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I could find no better lead than the news that **Critt** and Frank **Koisch** donned their 2d stars on 1 Aug. and that Bill **Harrell** (now commanding the 438 Airlift Wing at McGuire) and Carl **Stapleton** (from Vice to Comdr of USAFSS) did likewise at about the same time. AF types note that I'm lucky to get the word, let alone the dates!

Many changes include Hank **Ivey** to STRICOM at JAG; Bill **Garland** to 1st SAD, Vandenberg AFB; Bill **Gernert** to be Vice Comdr, Northern NORAD Region, Hornell Heights, CFB, Ontario, Canada—and says see you at the ARMY-Navy game; Andy **Low** to Div Aerospace Programs here; Ed **Munns** to ADC (ADEC), Ent AFB, 80912; Obie **Obenchain** to Fort Huachuca; Bill **Shedd** to C/S, XXIV Corps, ZIP 96308; and Bob **Terry** here to DCA.

The retired rolls have received quite a few raw recruits in the persons of Roger **Barnes**, Roanoke College, Salem, Va. 24153; Pete **Bonasso**, 600 South View Dr., Morgantown, W.Va. 26505 to join his brother in Kentucky Fried Chicken franchises, land development, engineer construction services, marketing of a device for easier handling of garment carriers, etc. etc. (!); Black John **Carpenter**, Allen Academy, Box 953, Bryan, Tex. 77801; Sam **Hays** (TDRL), 4600 Newcomb Pl., Alexandria, Va. 22304; John **Mattina**, 1411 East Grove Pl., Fullerton, Calif. 92631; Ray **O'Neal** (staying here); and Dopey **Stephens**, back to Nashville to PIO, a bank chain.

Most of you are probably quite aware that the kids are not so hung up on the generation gap that they aren't following us in at least one regard—stepping up to the altar! **Barnes'** daughter, Kathy, **Baxter's** son, Tom (both here, same day), **Deffke's** daughter, Denise, and the **Lewis'** 2 daughters are the latest reported.

On the unhappy side, Jesse **Lewis** lost his mother recently, and Jim **Josendale** and Don **Connolly** lost their fathers. Our sympathy to all.

And now for the usual jumble of bits and pieces—to the extent that Dan **Halpin** allows. A recent luncheon was enhanced by the addition of Wayne **Bart** and Corky **Corcoran** to the "regulars." After finally getting accustomed to Corky's beard, we found him clean shaven. It all started with a $50 bet, and the other guy chickened out first. A fine "Spring" dinner-dance (it qualified because it was 20 June!) at the Bethesda Navy Club, hosted by Butch **Offley** and Carl **Ulsaker**, brought Larry and Jane **Adams** up from Williamsburg plus Bill and Betty Lou **Plott** from Lexington. Paul **Cerar** spent much of the summer getting a whale of a lot more publicity than he really needed when the Army's CBR testing at Edgewood came under fire. Ted **Marks** was pictured and quoted in the Petersburg, Va. press responding to a question about "doo-willie" losses at WP. Ray **Murphy** visited our fair city on his way to a boondoggle at Carlisle, looking sssimply sssplendid! Sam and Cherie **Koster** also came our way to report that the Supe's son was slugged for returning late from leave—said late having been accomplished while returning under the Supe's aegis in the Supe's car! Sam had a siege in the hospital but looks fit now. Dick **Horridge** was a fellow occupant of the Usmay facilities. The doctors split him from hither to yon, deleted a few giblets, and marked him "duty." I called the **Caruthers'** LT son at the Pentagon to take word to his folks at Sill but found him freshly departed for VN. Larry was my "introducer" at Sill and seems to be thriving on the job. Young Chris **Ulsaker** came by between his return from VN and departure for Ord where he had a fine assignment awaiting, thanks to Bud **Roecker**. Bud was awarded the DSM upon his retirement, and I'm sure all would agree that no soldier more richly deserved it. Joe **Morey** also added to our pride with receipt of the LM. And Chuck **Howe** was recipient of the AF CM. Congrats from all.

John and Shirley **Sheffey** avoided antagonizing their neighbors by forewarning and inviting them to the annual outing of the D.C. Contingent at their lovely digs. Ec and Ginger **Cutler** timed a trip to William and Mary to join the fun. The Army recently honored Ec's father by naming the new hospital at Devens for him. The outing was a bit more decorous than usual—and more fancy thanks to the special output by the **Stanns** and **Sheffeys**. The **Cages** came over for the affair, and Lee reported that Charlie **Bortell** might become another member of the Banta Shoe Company. Frank **Williams** was trying to organize a "do" for the ARMY-Vanderbilt game. Nancy **Hunter** received some pictures of an impromptu **Cannon-Calladay** reunion held for Al on his way West where he was greeted by Bill **Kraft**, Tom **Rienzi**, and Pat **Timothy**. John **Sheffey** has such a good PIO that I even found his words of wisdom on the possibility of a nuclear-dug replacement Panama Canal in the Okla. City press; Jack **Deane** found himself in the role of race-relations expert when he commented on Marine problems at what he thought was a closed meeting but proved to be otherwise. Sneaked a peek at Pappy **Garvin's** notes for his distant-in-the-future obit and found that our Vet has been Pres of the Colorado Veterinary Medical Assn and is Pres of the American Society of Veterinary Ophthalmology, all unbeknownst to us. Fie on you, Pappy! **Baxters** and **Hansts** spent a wild weekend with the **Plotts** at Lexington where Bill professors Air Science at VMI and Betty Lou buys old-fashioned wash basins (with large cracks) at great bargains. Young Bill is in London from Beloit

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for a term. **Baxters** came to D.C. for Tommy's wedding in late Aug. with Bob **Shorts, Plotts, Reids,** and **Hansts** supervising. Wyley sports a beard (?) which Barbara finds dashing! Ken finds Virginia much more attractive! On a jaunt west we violated our rules and called John and Camille **Finney.** Spent a great day, with me driving their Jaguar, and can report both as delightful as ever. And just as I wrap up at the Presidio comes the superlative word that Tom **Rienzi** (owner of a new home in Hawaii at 676 Elepaio, Honolulu 96816) and Rip **Young** are to wear 2 stars, as well as being named to the permanent BG list. Ain't that the greatest? **Critt** and Frank **Koisch** were also named to be permanent BG's, a blessing to confirm their 2 star status.

And I'll close with a query as to what ever happened to '42 and Project '72? John **Reid** is underwhelmed by the response of too many of you.

Jan '43: Johnny Buckner (left) and Russ Herrington (right) stand tall following the presentation of silver Class dishes to their Class sons, John H. Buckner Jr. and Norman L. Herrington, respectively, who graduated from the Air Force Academy in June 1969. John Buckner Jr. was also married to Ann Hagen on 14 June in the USAFA Cadet Chapel.

JAN '43

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Well, there was good news from D.C. in Sept. when the Dept of the Army announced the selection of Frank **Camm,** Adrian **St. John,** Tim **Brown,** Johnny **Raaen,** and Arch **Hamblen** (who is part Jan. and part June 1943) for promotion to BG and Darrie **Richards,** Flywheel **Flanagan,** and Bill **Starnes** to the 2-star level. Elvy **Roberts** and Bill **Starnes** were also selected for promotion to the rank of permanent BG. **Elvy** is the 1st member of our class to command a div in combat; he is also our latest Army aviator.

Meanwhile, Mitch **Goldenthal,** who just returned from VN last summer, called prior to his departure from Washington to Heidelberg to say that he will be the Dpty Signal Officer of USAREUR. In VN, Grey **Wheelock** escaped from MACV Headquarters to become the ADC of the 4th Inf Div in the highlands. Bob **Cook,** who has been responsible for the establishment of an effective IG system in VN, completed his 2d year over there in Aug., and promptly extended his tour in VN to Apr. 1970. Although Bob is serving in VN and Ruth is living in the Philippines, they have managed a vacation in Germany for some skiing. Still in VN too is Wendell **Bevan,** who is the Dir of Combat Operations for the Seventh Air Force.

Joe **Conmy** has returned from VN, and, though he claims that he's now carrying a bit of extra VC lead in his lanky frame, he does appear to have recovered from the wounds he sustained in the A Shau Valley on 14 June. At the moment, Joe's next assignment is somewhat indefinite because it depends upon the progress Marie makes with her 2d broken hip. Despite her broken hip, Marie was her usual vivacious self at the wedding of their oldest son Bart to Carol Porter of Greenville, N.C. at Myer on 30 Aug.

Back in the States, Bill **Knowlton** reported from his Washington command post that Bob **Marshall** has departed from Huntsville to become the National Range Comdr at Kwajalein Missile Range. Bill also reported that a Class son ran across Ed **Hardebeck** in Oklahoma City; Ed was in the process of moving to Calif. The Flip **Fenilis** are departing from the Washington scene this fall for Stuttgart, Germany, where Flip will be responsible for NSA activities in Europe. Their son John is a First Classman at USMA, and their older daughter has just completed a Master's degree that qualifies her as a special housemother on one of those dangerous Calif. campuses.

Ben **Edwards** wrote to say that he is on the move again, his 9th in 9 years, but this time it's back to his own home in Alexandria, Va., with a job in J5, OJCS. The **Edwards'** daughter Caroll was married to USAF LT David E. Ambrose III in the Community Chapel Center at the AF Academy on 19 July 1969. Lou **Wilson** had his 2d stars pinned on by LTG John W. O'Neill (Comdr of SAMSO) and Lou's wife Anita and he will apparently remain as Vice Comdr of SAMSO in Los Angeles.

Dave **Lowe,** on the other hand, turned over the reins of the Air Force Satellite Control Facility of SAMSO and departed for Arnold AFB in Tenn. where he will command the Arnold Engineering Development Center. A motel management course in Washington brought Jim **Hackler** up from his Caravel Motel and golf courses for a few weeks this past summer. New faces on the Washington scene are those of Bob **Fiss** and his son Dick. Bob is in OJCS, and his son Dick who graduated from OCS at Sill also works in the Pentagon in the intelligence area. Speaking of the younger generation, Stew and Jane **Meyer's** daughter Peggy was married to Thomas J. Surdyk in McLean, Va., on 23 Aug.

Charlie **Wirt** (GE Tempo's Charlie Hitch) called recently to say that he's still assisting the State of Hawaii in establishing a viable PPB system; he returns home once a month for R&R. Charlie has seen B-Wig and Pris **Berenzweig** in Hi., and, according to him, they appear to be extending their sojourn there indefinitely.

At the last luncheon meeting of the Washington contingent of the Class on 8 July, Em **Prince** (our Treas) reported that the Class Fund totals $2,703.97 and that he has several extra 25-year books for sale to anyone who desires one. Johnnie **Baer** (our Class Pres) also announced the formation of a new Class committee consisting of Flip **Fenili** (Chairman), DeWitt **Armstrong,** and Jim **Frankosky** to recommend guidelines to the Class for the presentation of Class gifts, contributions, and like items. The next luncheon will be in early Oct. at which time a new Class Constitution, to include By-Laws dealing with the Class Fund, will be presented to the Class for consideration.

Jan '43: The AUSA Firepower and Target Acquisition Symposium at Ft. Sill in August 1969 brought together the following classmates (left to right): Bob Blake (CO, 9th Missile Group, Ft. Sill), Fly Flanagan (CG, JFK Center for Military Assistance, Ft. Bragg), Stew Meyer (DDR&E, Washington), Johnny Mitchell (CO, 6th Cavalry Group, Ft. Meade), Jesse Hollis (Director, Non-Resident Training, Ft. Sill), and Jack Wood (USAMC Headquarters, Washington).

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Jan '43: Sharing the honor of pinning the 2d stars on the uniform of Tote Talbott were MG William D. Greenfield (Commander of Central NORAD/Tenth Air Force) and Tote's wife, Louise. Tote is now Vice Commander of the Ninth Air Force at Shaw AFB, N.C.

Jan '43: Larry Faust (son of Ed and Ginny) poses with Jack Armstrong (left) and Elvy Roberts (right) just after the latter pinned both a SS and a BSM on Larry for his courageous action in the defense of the 1st Cav Div fire base against hostile ground assault in Vietnam.

The past summer has seen the retirement of Danny **Moore** (who departed from Washington with Skip and family to begin a new career at Stetson U. in Deland, Fla.), Bill **Hahn** (who has moved from Washington to Denver, Colo., where he will be working with the Central District of the American Lutheran Church), Charlie **Heltzel** (who is remaining in the Washington area), Pete **Pavick** (who retired at Colorado Springs), Bill **Neale** (who was stationed at Carlisle Barracks), Tom **Watson** (whom Bill **Knowlton** reports has retired in Hawaii and is studying for a graduate degree prior to entering the teaching field), and Ed **Kreml** (who entered USMA with us). Judging by recent conversations, a number of other classmates are also contemplating the initiation of a 2d career before the beginning of 1970.

The Class extended its sympathy to Frank **Kajencki** at the funeral of his wife at Myer on 17 June. Their daughter sang at the services.

Best wishes and longevity to all for 1970 and our 27th June-in-January anniversary.

JUN '43

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At present Clare **Farley** (Exec to Dr. Paine in NASA) is working on Washington area classmates to attend the ARMY-Notre Dame game in NY. By the time this is printed the game will have been played, and I will give you a further report on our activities in the Winter Issue.

Undoubtedly, all of you read the article "Changing Point" in the "Wall Street Journal," but you may not have read John **Moses'** letter to the editor concerning this article. To quote from John's letter: "Finally, I believe you will find the graduate achievement record of a West Point class will compare favorably with other top colleges, surpassing most." A real fine letter, John, and we all enjoyed it. This news item was passed to me by Sam **Pinnell** who is with The Seaboard Planning Corporation, Washington, D.C. Thanks to Sam, too.

Bob **Burrows** wrote me that Sarah Jane and he are moving from Corvallis, Oreg. to Walla Walla, Wash. Their new address is 1911 School Ave., Walla Walla, Wash. 99362. Bob is teaching at the Community College there, and he invites any classmates passing through to stop in and say hello.

Harriet **Tenney** (Duane's widow) wanted her appreciation expressed for all the kind expressions of sympathy she received from his classmates.

Bill **Cover** dropped me a note which included an invitation to Harry **Schroeders'** promotion blast at Ft. Bliss. Congratulations again, Harry, and hope the party was a big success. Bill also reported that Mark **Boatner** had retired on 31 July and plans to stay in the Washington area. He will continue his writing career here. Nick and Cynthia **Parker** returned from the UK; Nick also retired and will teach math at St. Stephens School here in Washington. Let me have your new address, Nick.

Had a newsy letter from Bobbie **Keck.** She enclosed a snapshot of Tom **Keck** and Rudy **Hallenbeck** receiving their class trays upon graduation from USAFA. These trays were presented by Robin **Olds.** She also told me that daughter Sunny plans to marry Richard Pickens in Dec. Bonnie's husband is in VN and she and the children are staying with Bobbie and Jim during his absence. Jim has changed jobs and is now Dpty Dir of Opns, SAC.

Tommy **Tomlinson** dropped me a card from the Harvard Business School where he graduated from the 56th Advanced Management Program. He and his new bride joined John and Carolyn **Bond,** Doc and Kathleen **Reinhalter,** and Lowell and Rosemary Wilkes (Jan. '43). I wish everybody else kept me as well posted on their activities as Tommy does!

Jun '43: Hamblen and GEN Westmoreland.

Jamie **Philpott** is now Asst C/S Intell, Hq USAF, and John **Bowley** is Dpty Dir J5 JCS. We all took in a couple of baseball games and talked about old times. Bill **Moore** is now C/S, Hq Command, Bolling AFB; so he and I have lunch frequently, too.

Hank **Richard** reported a reunion of classmates at Hilton Head, S.C. As a matter of fact, Hank sent me a rather detailed report—which I misplaced. I will try to remember the highlights but really regret losing Hank's fine prose on the subject. Those attending the Hilton Head reunion were Jack and Virginia **Kidder,** Ned and Jenny **Schramm,** Lemon and Kathleen **Blank,** George and Ann **Thompson,** Joe and Sil **Walsh,** and Kitty and Hank. In addition to the grownups, some of the children also attended. Lee **Blank** (Wake Forest '69); Susanne **Richard;** Jim, John, Steve, Bruce and Ann **Kidder.** Apparently Hilton Head is lucky to still be there after the group had left. Sorry we missed it.

My daughter, Susan, was married at Bolling AFB on 19 July to Walter Schnee; they plan to live in Richmond, Va. At the reception I talked to Dick and Caroline **Shaefer** who were here visiting. Dick was en route to the Paris peace talks and then was to return to his job as DCS/Plans MACV. Since Dick's return to

Jun '43: Schroeder, Cantlay, Hamblen, and Rogers at Swearing In Ceremony, Class of 1969.

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Jun '43: Jed Cantlay receives Class gift from Bernie Rogers.

Jun '43: Keck and Hallenbeck.

VN, Caroline has had another bout with the medics and is now at Andrews hospital. We all wish her a speedy recovery. John Bell and Mila Lou **Hudson**, John and Marge **Bowley**, Bill and Marion **Moore**, Lee and Ann **Hogan**, Betty **Hardy** (Boone is in VN), and Cobe **Hurley** were also at the reception. They are in great shape and seem to be enjoying life here in Washington.

Ralph **Hallenbeck** has moved from Scott AFB, Ill., to be Sec of the SHAPE Staff in Brussells. He and Todie had to move rather quickly and were not able to stop by and see us on the way, but we wish them the best for this new tour.

Buzzie **Sweat** (Dale and Betty's son) stopped through here after having spent the summer in Germany with his folks. He reports that they are really enjoying the German scene.

Ben **Cassiday** returned from Turkey and is now Commandant, AFROTC, Air U., Maxwell AFB, Ala. He, Barbara, and the children came through Washington en route to Hawaii on leave with subsequent destination Maxwell. Dave and Juanita **Schwartz** have left the Washington area and are now in Calif. Let me know your new job and address, Dave. Ernie and Helen **Cragg** are now with us in the Washington area. Ernie is Dpty Dir of Aerospace Programs, Hq USAF. Their boys are still in Tex. attending school. Lee **Hogan** has moved from Dpty Dir Office of Information to Dir Office of Information—a good lick for Lee. Lee and Ann's daughter, Robin, recently had a baby (Jennifer Ann, 18 July 69); so they join the ranks of grandparents, too.

Al **Shipstead** has been appointed Dir of the Mich. Economic Opportunity Office for Gov William Milliken. Congratulations, Al, on your new job. Arch **Hamblen** recently was awarded the Navy LM with Combat "V" by GEN Westmoreland. Earl **Olmstead** commands a combat support group in VN—good luck on this tour, Earl.

Bud **Rundell** has recently moved from Eglin AFB back here to Washington and is Asst to the Dir, Office of Supersonic Transport Development. Bud and Nancy will reside in McLean with Susan at the U. of N.C. and Leslie at the U. of Fla. Tommy **Foulk** has left SAC and commands the 1st Mobile Communications Group at Clark AFB in the Philippines.

And it is time once again to say: MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

'44

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Lightning has struck! Congratulations are in order to these 9 newly-selected for promotion to BG. The lucky ones, and their assignments, current at press time, are: Tom **Tarpley**, Deputy SGS in the C/S's office, who heads the list of 64 selectees; John **Donaldson**, number 2 on the list, is C/S of the Americal Division; Ernie **Graves** is Dpty Dir of Military Construction in the Office, Chief of Engineers; Doc **Hayward** and Tom **McGuire** who are at Hq USAREUR and Seventh Army in Heidelberg; Jim **Adamson** who has just taken up new duties at PMS at the U. of Hi.; Ed **O'Donnell**, Dpty G4, Hq USARV at Long Binh; Ken **Cooper**, Exec to the Sec of the Army; and Jack **Peterson**, past Class Scribe, now Dpty Comdr, S&MA, over in Zweibrucken. Some of these will have been promoted by the time you read this.

Double congratulations to 3-star **Hennessey**, whose name appeared at the same time on the 2-star selection list. At that time Jack was at Rucker learning to fly his own helicopter preparatory to assignment to the 101st ABN as ADC sometime in the fall.

Stars also fell on John and Annette **Sullivan's** son John and on Scottie and Ruthie **Scott's** son Bruce who became Distinguished Cadets. John has now returned from Korea and is on the staff at ICAF. Scottie continues at Picatinny Arsenal.

I am indebted to Fred **Smith** and Ken **Cooper** who put in short visits to SEA this summer and passed the following tidbits: Doug **Kinnard** is thoroughly enjoying himself at II Field Forces Arty Comdr, but says he is not eager to make a career of staying in VN. Tommy **Moore** is at Long Binh in the USARV G4 shop, but hopes to leave soon and get an Arty group in Doug **Kinnard's** command. Jim **Connell** had recently taken over as C/S of the 25th Inf Div. He seemed very happy in his job, but asked that Ken look for a food-taster job in the Pentagon for him. Bob **Drake** is the Sen Advisor of the Vietnamese National Defense College in Saigon. Bill **Harper** runs the Command Operations Center at MACV Hq. Geoff **Cheadle** is the new J6 of MACV. He came abroad in the middle of July, already wearing his star. Nels **Parson** works in MACV also. He controls the Plans and Analysis Div in CORDS. Bob **Selton** is in the G4 business in II Field Forces in Long Binh. Ken had a long talk with Ollie **Patton** at 24th Corps Hq where he is the G2. Ken is sure he is giving GEN Zais the best and most eloquent intelligence he has ever received. Walt **Harris** is with CAC in Saigon. Tom **Mahoney** is still a bachelor, selling stocks, and sailing in Honolulu. You have to look carefully to recognize him since he has grown a moustache and long sideburns. He said he had seen Marylou **Drake**, who had just arrived to stay in Honolulu during Bob's tour in VN. Ken saw Roy **Marshall** from a distance at MACV during a J4 briefing, but didn't have a chance to talk to him.

Another inveterate traveler, Lee **Smith**, got as far as Hi. in Sept. and provided me with the following: Roy **Bahls**, now at Hq PACAF, and John **Susott** made a 18-stop trip in SEA surveying airbases. In the course of the journey, they encountered Jack **Geyer**, who is in a C-130 airlift wing stationed at Clark AB, R.P.; Bo **Bottomly**, who commands a wing of F-105's in Thailand; and Pete **Moore** who is the Combat Support Group Comdr at Da Nang, AB, VN. They also saw Joe **Waterman** who is at Clark AB with Jack **Geyer's** outfit and Guffy **Ingalls**, who is Assistant DCS/Opns 13th AF, at Clark. Roy had lunch with Peggy **Cheadle**, who is staying at Clark while Geoff puts in his SVN tour. Lee reports seeing Geoff in Saigon in July. Among the Hi. detachment are Bev **Snow**, Dpty Engr of USARPAC, John and Kay **Susott**, Johnny and Betty **Werner**, and Roy and Sylvia **Bahls**. Bill **Fairbrother** has just left Hq CINCPAC for SVN where he

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will be Vice Comdr of an AF Special Opns Wing supporting Army Special Forces units. Bob **Hurst** is teaching at Punahou School in Honolulu. Dusty **Rivers** was back in N.C. in early Sept. from Hq EUCOM in Stuttgart. He spent a week with his folks in S.C. and returned to Stuttgart about 15 Sept. Ace **Edwards** departed Westover AFB, Mass., for Kadena AB, Okinawa, where he assumed command of a B52 Wing conducting SEA operations.

George **Hoffman** completed his tour as Dir of Materiel for the AF Advisory Group at Tan Son Nhut in Sept. He reports that he and Dave **Fitton**, who was a member of the same group as Dir of Personnel, are both going to work for Bill **Fullilove** at Hq AFLC. George reports his no. 1 son George III is in training with FAA in Washington; no. 2 son John was graduated from Georgetown U. and commissioned in the RA in Inf; no. 1 daughter Marie after graduating with honors from high school in Washington, entered Manhattanville College. His no. 2 daughter Nancy is in high school while no. 3 daughter and 4 sons keep things lively at home. George reports that Ann has been busy during the past year and is now preparing to sell their McLean house in preparation for their move to Dayton.

Fran **Cooch** has been pursuing a Ph.D. on his own time while holding down the Personnel Data System Office in OPO, DA. He will move on to the GW campus full time in Jan. to complete work on the Ph.D. in Business Administration.

Bass **Hanley** sponsored the class luncheon in mid-July at Bolling AFB. The small group in attendance included Fran **Cash**, Jim **Campbell**, Tank **DeArment**, Harry **Grace**, Don **Carter**, Bass **Hanley**, Dave **Henderson**, Larry **Moulis**, Chuck **Czapar**, Mac **McElvey**, Bill **Charlson**, and Bob **Robinson**. In addition to a delightful meal, we learned that Frank **Cash** has been promoted to FSO-1. He is presently assigned to the Dept of State as Country Dir for Turkey.

John **Calhoun**, who has moved from the Washington area, is now assigned to the AF Western Testing Range ("The shooting gallery of the Pacific") as Dpty Dir for Operations. John reports that it is a real fine assignment in a great country and fascinating for an old airplane engineer to be learning about missiles, space vehicles, radar, telemetry, computers, etc. John left the Supersonic Transport Office in June and was awarded a LM. John lives at 614 Ash, Vandenberg AFB.

George **Tuttle** retired from the Army in Aug. 1968 after almost 5 years in the US/FRG main battle tank development program. He is now in Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., working with Avco Lycoming Div where he performs engineering liaison with the tank people in Detroit and the engine developers in Conn. George seems to be enjoying civilian life and boasts 1 son who has a National Merit Scholarship at Miss. St. U. and another son entering college this fall as a National Merit Commended Scholar. Harry **Rogers** works for Chrysler, and Jim **White** is the District Engineer and lives at Selfridge Field, so George has frequent opportunities to warm up his class contacts. You can look George up at 2051 Oxford Rd., Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.

Al **Norton** continues his teaching career at the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point and has been promoted to full prof, which in the US Maritime Service means he is now a Comdr. Congratulations Al. That must be a Class record. Al reports 8 children but no grandchildren yet. That must be some kind of record too.

Lew **Norman** took command of the AF

1944: Lew Norman, right, listens while GEN Lowe, his predecessor as Commander, AFSCF, explains some of the various intricacies involving satellite tracking systems.

Satellite Control Facility at Los Angeles AF Station in July, after having served as Dpty Comdr for the past year. In his new capacity as Comdr of AFSCF, Lew will direct a worldwide network of satellite tracking stations and other facilities in support of the military space program. Lew can be reached at 2661, 233d St., Torrance, Calif.

Al **Weston** has been named General Manager of the Specialty Products Division of A. O. Smith-Inland Corp. at Ionia, Mich. The Ionia plant produces reinforced plastic moldings and assemblies primarily for the transportation industry. Al has been with A. O. Smith since his retirement in July 1964.

Mollie **Molloy** completed a year's tour as Dpty Comdr of the Army Concept Team in VN (ACTIV) and is now the Dpty Dir of Inf Materiel Testing in the US Army Test and Evaluation Command at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. Mollie is responsible for directing the test and evaluation of Inf weapons, ammunition, and equipment, and supervising 15 testing installations and activities throughout the continental U.S., Panama, and Ak.

Ed **Hibbard** writes from Haverton, Pa., where he is in the Civil Service serving at the US Army Electronic Command as a Contract Administrator in Philadelphia. Pat **Neilond** is the Army attaché in Beirut, Lebanon. While Bob **Wessels** is in Korea, Jerry **Wessels** is in Highland Falls staying nearby son Billy who is now a First Classman in the Corps.

1944: Joe Cutrona, then on a visit to Nam and Phil McAuliffe, ADC of the 1st Division, then waiting for his star, ponder grand strategy.

Lynn **Scoggin** brought me up to date on Jim's activities since his retirement in Sept. 1968. Jim is now Asst Prof of EE at The Citadel and spent this last summer at Monmouth heading a summer research project on Arty sound ranging. From their location in Charleston, S.C., Lynn and Jim have direct contact with BJ and Dave **Silver** at Gordon; and until their departure for Hi., with Jim and Marge **Adamson** while Jim was PMS at The Citadel. Lynn reports that Charleston is a Navy town and off the beaten track but would certainly enjoy seeing anyone from the Class who is passing through.

Fred and Harriett **Black's** eldest, Fritz, was married on 20 Sept. to Barbara Yonis in South Orange, N.J. Don and Eleanor **Carter**, John and Annette **Sullivan**, Kathleen **McAuliffe**, and Trudy **Tarpley** went along for the festivities.

The influx of mail and photos is encouraging. Many thanks to those who've contributed. But, to keep this column factual rather than fictional, I must insert my regular plug. Keep those cards and letters coming, folks!

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As Buster **Hayden's** relief I shall somehow try to keep this thing going on an even keel and promise not to sandbag the next guy—whoever that might be—when his turn comes. In my case I shall always associate my volunteering with a jug of Les **Ayer's** Beefeaters Gin, a real hard sell by Buster who had to unload quickly, and the culmination of the perfect evening by my spilling a buffet plate in Rachel **McDaniel's** lap. So, with that tender introduction, I'll announce my editorial policy for the days ahead; if it finds its way into P.O. Box 45, I shall somehow make sure that it is published.

CLASS SONS — 1973

Twelve grads and 1 ex-cadet contributed to USMA's bounty this year when the following marched to Trophy Point for the swearing in ceremony: David C. **Crockett**, Thomas A. **Godwin**, Douglas H. **Hartline**, Robert E. **Hoffman**, (son of Hoffman, W.H. ex'45), Duncan B. **Hoge**, Robert C. **Holcomb** (Jim's 2d son at the Academy), Gary B. **Horan**, Robert N. **Ives** Jr., William M. **Love** (Bill's boy), Craig W. **Landrith**, Matthew W. **Raymond**, William A. **Snow**, and Paul W. **Trotti**.

GENERALS GALORE

The news of what may someday be referred to as our grandest year was broken at the Class luncheon at Ft. Myer on 10 Sept., with the announcement of 8 more nominations for BG and 2 advancements to MAJ GEN. Hal **Moore** and George **Casey** (both mentioned elsewhere in this column) will soon be pinning on 2 stars. Our new plebe generals to be are (in no particular order) Larry **Jones**, Bill **Wolfe**, George **Wallace**, Bob **Mackinnon**, Pete **Spragins**, Ira **Hunt**, Herb **McChrystal**, and Bill **Vinson**. Heartiest congratulations to all. With Rock **Brett** pinning on his First AF star on 1 Sept., our class total of GEN officers will soon number 18.

ATTENTION TO ORDERS

Jim **Root** reports his July move from the 3d Inf. Div. to ODCSPER/USAREUR, APO N.Y. 09403. Jay **Allen** sends word that he is

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off to SEA on an Airborne Command and Control assignment which will carry through Aug. 1970. John **Rhett** returned from VN in July and is now aboard as the Army District Engineer, Louisville. George **Casey** departed the CDC Combat Arms Group, Ft. Leavenworth, where he has served as CG since Sept. 1968 and has assumed the duties of ADC 1st Cav Div. This is George's 2d time around, having been the Cavs 2d Bde Cmdr and Div C/S during 1966 and 1967. Jack **Nelson** left the Pentagon in mid-summer to become the Vice Com at the AF Academy. George Dexter departed JCS in Sept. for Panama (Ft. Gulick) where he will command the 8th Special Forces Group.

OUR DEPARTED

On 18 July 1969, Milt **Stone** was killed in an automobile accident in Montgomery, Ala., while being driven from the local airport to his home. Milt was returning from a family vacation in S.C. when the car in which he was riding was struck broadside by a driver running a red light. Milt was killed instantly. He was buried on 20 July with full military honors following Episcopal services in Montgomery. Jim **Morris**, Jack **Boettcher**, and Bob **Mackinnon** represented the Class from Ft. Benning. Ralph Hinman '45, Milt's devoted friend, passed on the sad details of his passing. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Gwen and the boys. Gwen is at home at 3022 Merrimac Drive, Montgomery, Ala.

PERSONS TO BE DECORATED

Our congratulations to: Bob **Hayes**—received the LM on 4 July for exceptionally meritorious service as Asst Dpty Senior Advisor with Advisory Team 95 near Bien Hoa. Ned **Barnett**—a Squadron Comdr at Cam Ranh Bay AB was presented with the U.S. AF Outstanding Unit Award in June. Ned's 483d Tactical Airlift Wing flew the C-7A Caribou from several bases in VN. Tom **Curtis** was awarded the LM in a June Pentagon ceremony for outstanding service with the 355th Tactical Fighter Wing in Thailand. Tom now serves as Chief of the Employment Test Division at USAF Headquarters. Pat **Hurley**—completed his 155th combat mission in SEA in mid-June. Pat, by the way, took time out from his fabulous artistic undertakings in Aubuquerque, N.Mex., to lead his N.Mex. Air NG Unit to VN following the 1968 Pueblo incident. Zoot **Johnson**—promoted to BG on 1 Aug. is currently C/S I Field Force VN (see photo). This is Zoot's second VN tour. He served previously with MACV and the 4th Inf Div from Sept. 1966 to Apr. 1968.

RECENT RETIREES NEWS

Bill **Simpson**, COL USAF, from Sheppard AFB on 1 Aug.—now residing at 4306 Briar Cliff Drive, Wichita Falls, Tex. 76309. George **Withey**, COL USA, from Senate Liaison Officer OCLL to Walkley Hill Road, Haddam, Conn. 06438, on 1 July. John **MacWherter**, COL USAF, from EOAR, APO N.Y. 09667 to 5200 Ayrshire Boulevard, Edina, Minn., on 1 Sept. Keith **Nusbaum**, COL USA, scheduled for retirement on 1 Nov., has accepted a position with Planning Research, Inc.

ODDS AND ENDS

Tom **Gleason** played an important role in the Apollo 11 lunar landing mission. As special Asst to the Dir of NASA's information systems, Tom was responsible for gathering and distributing scientific data on the spacecraft to engineers evaluating the launch and flight of Apollo 11. Sure sounds like something right out of Hudson's Manual. Keep up the good work Tom. Continental Can Press Info reports that Bob **Woods** has been

1945: Zoot Johnson promoted to BG on 1 Aug. and currently C/S, IFF, VN. This is Zoot's 2d VN tour.

appointed General Manager of its Equipment Manufacturing Division in Chicago. Bob and Gerry should be well settled in from their move from Fun City by the time this issue goes to press. Al **Neville** reports all is well at Kunsan AB, Korea, where he commands the 354th TFW. Al has been in touch with Jim **Rouch** at KMAG and was planning an Aug. visit with Hal and Julie **Moore** in Seoul, where Hal is holding forth as Eighth Army G3. Dick **Conniff** reports that he has joined Buck **Bowen** at Florida Gas and is living in Matland, Fla. He has seen Ky **Murphy**, who is organizing a new computer software company for stock exchange listings. Recalling my own last section math days, it must be those USMA doses of blind spec which account for so many of us goat-types in the computer world these days. Good luck Ky—let's hear from you. On a recent visit to Ft. Benning, Andy **Gatsis** brought me in to Bob **Mackinnon's** spacious suite. Bob is Dir of the Bde and Bn Opns Dept, and Andy was holding forth as sort of a Vice Dir prior to leaving for VN in Sept. John **Carley** was due in to take over the Weapons Dept, and Bob **Guthrie** was en route from Korea to head up the Dept of Non-Resident Instruction. Jim **Morris** is the Chairman of the Personnel Committee in **Mackinnon's** Staff Group. Speaking of Jim, let me correct Buster **Hayden's** report in the last ASSEMBLY — Lee was reported as "visiting and looking for a house in the Washington area while Jim works at Ft. Benning." Delete "looking for" and substitute "selling." Sorry about that Jim. Jerry **Briscoe** returned from Panama in mid-Aug. and is now commanding a BCT Bde at Ft. Knox. Forge the thunderbolt and keep those tanks out of the hot sun, Jerry. For two weeks in July, Les **Ayers** was back in uniform at the AWC, where he joined Ernie **Ferguson**, John **Forbes**, and Hoot **Van Hout** for the Resident Phase of the Two-Year Non-Resident Course of Instruction which the College is pioneering. The members of the class stationed there pulled together a luncheon on 17 July where the 4 students plus the following had an impromptu meeting: Rolfe **Hillman** (just arrived at Carlisle the week before from Ft. Hood); George **Jones** (presented 1 hour of instruction to the students); Bob **Krebs** (who engaged photographer Janis to cover the event); Lou **Schelter** (arrived at AWC the day before from VN); Rocky **Tierno** (Advanced Studies Institute); Jack **Truby** (leaving to go to college in Ga.); and Cliff **White** (departing Carlisle for VN). Also seen by the 4 students during various social events were wives of members stationed there and some temporary residents of the area like Sugar **Hayden** (who will stay at Carlisle while Buster is in VN) and Jane **Ingham**. Jane is going to college, teaching grade school, and getting a daughter ready for college. Carlisle has been Jane's temporary home since Jim died last year. Future meetings at Carlisle will now include Frank **Smith** who is located at Sunset Drive, RD #2, in Carlisle. Ted **McLendon** writes from Melbourne, Australia, that he has just settled in as McCormick Foods Representative in that down under city. Hank **Hughes** and your new scribe attended an AUSA briefing for industry at Ft. Sill, Okla., in mid-July. On Signal Hill or thereabouts, while watching a firing demo in 105° temperature, Hank gave "close station, march order," and we retreated to the parking area and our air conditioned bus. Could that heat account for the fact that '45 is not represented on this choice piece of Indian land? Rock **Brett**, '45's first AF GEN, writes from RAF Bentwaters, England that he will soon be IG of USAFE in Wiesbaden. Making claim as the "goat" GEN of the class, he leads the 9 Army generals and 8 GEN selectees in this regard. If your record holds till the 25th reunion, Rock, we shall come up with an appropriate award. Keep up the good work.

Ward **Protsman** appointed Larry **Jones** as Chairman of the Reunion Committee. Additional members are Ted **Adair** (who provided Ward with a summary of facilities) and Dan **Fowler**, Liaison Sec at USMA. Jones will welcome all the help he can get—especially since becoming a brevet BG—so we should all come forth as required. A poopsheet will go out to all hands in the near future with preliminary details on housing, booze, parking, and other matters. In the meantime, stay loose and keep me informed.

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No. 92. On 16 June 1969, several members of our class were graduated from the AWC at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. Those who received their diplomas from former Sec. of the Army Stephen Ailes were Dave **Bryant**, Len **Edelstein**, John **Price**, Dick **Ruble**, John **Shultz**, and Kit **Sinclair**. Dave and Nancy are now in Washington where Dave is assigned to Hqs, U.S. Army Judiciary Office, JAG. Also going to Washington, Len will be Asst Dir, Civil Works Directorate, Office of the Chief of Engineers; and Price will be with the ODCSLOG, Dept of Army. Dick and Barbara are at Ft. McPherson, Ga., with the 111th MI Group. The **Shultzs** are at Ft. Belvoir with CDC. Kit is scheduled for assignment with HQ, U.S. Army, VN.

On 7 July 1969, I received from Al **Torgerson**, CO, 53d General Support Group, APO Frisco 96491, a letter dated 1 July listing all known classmates (Army) in VN. The list includes: Ed **Basham**, CO, DATA Service Center; John **Geary**, Army Concept Team; Dick **Beckner**, CO, Support Command, 1st Cav Div; Byron **Greene**, CO, 2d Bde, 1st Cav Div; Dick **Gruenther**, CO, 3d Bde, 4th Inf

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1946: Marion Richards receiving the DFC and AM from BG L.L. Wilson Jr., Vice Commander, Space and Missile Systems Organization, Los Angeles AF Station.

Div; Bob **Lee**, CO, 108th Arty Group; Bill **Lewis**, DCO, Hqs Area Command; Bernie **Pankowski**, CO 160th Signal Group; Bob **Shoemaker**, C/S, 1st Cav Div; Norm **Watkins**, Dir of Petroleum, 1st Log Command; Bill **Webb**, civilian, Opns Mgr with Esso; Jere **Whittington**, CO, 198th Bde, Americal Div; Jack **Wieringa**, CO, Div Arty, 25th Div; as well as **Bresnahan, Hoefling,** and **McMinn** (see Summer issue). The list also included Bob **Rheault**, former CO, 5th SFG, whom we all read about during late July and early Aug. As a personal observation, based on what I have read in the papers, I believe Bob's good record will stand. Certainly, I am sure, to a man, the Class is with Bob in spirit to help him during these obviously trying times.

Also listed was Rex **Beasley** with Army Concept Team in VN. See photo of Rex receiving LM on 21 June. The Award was for meritorious service with the ATC. Rex's wife Constance is staying in Arlington, Va., while he is overseas.

The June issue of "Military Review" contains an article by John **Burney**, Asst for Nuclear Planning in the Office of the Asst Sec of Defense for International Security Affairs. The article is entitled "Nuclear Sharing in NATO" and points out the legitimate desire of our allies to participate in nuclear planning. The article further points out that, in spite of close association with nuclear weapons, many officers fail to appreciate the momentous political, economic, and psychological considerations involved in their use. Amen! John received an MS degree in 1965 from George Washington U. He and Mary reside at 6253 N. Kensington St., McLean, Va.

Tom **Huddleston** graduated on 6 June 69 from the NWC at Ft. Lesley J. McNair. He was last assigned as Chief of Special OPS Div, Office of the Dpty Chief of Staff for Military Ops, Washington. His next assignment will be in the Office of the Sec of Defense. Tom holds the LM, BSM, three AMs, 4 ACMs, Vietnamese Armed Forces Honor Medal first class, and Vietnamese Gallantry Cross with 2 Silver Stars.

Clyde **Denniston** has assumed command of the 320th Bomb Wing, SAC, Mather AFB, Calif. Before going to Mather in 1968, Clyde was chief of the test program for the SR 71, SAC's new strategic recon aircraft which flies above 80,000 feet. He earned a Master's in 1966 at George Washington majoring in international relations. He and Mary have 3 children: Sharon 21, Robert 19, and Peter 5.

An operations staff officer, assigned to a unit of the Pacific AF, Bill **Brothers** is on duty at Udorn Royal Thai AFB, Thailand. Bill was previously at HQ, USAF, Washington. He earned his M.S. at the Air Force Institute, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Now serving as director of tests and evaluation in the office of the DCSOPS, Phil **Hopkins** is at the Tactical Air Warfare Center, TAC, Eglin AFB, Fla. Phil recently received 4 AM awards for duty in VN while flying out of Phan Rang Air Base.

The DFC was awarded to Bob **Lowry** for heroic aerial achievement while assigned at Nha Trang AB, VN. Bob was presented the medal during ceremonies in D.C. where he is now assigned to the communications systems division in the office of the JCS. Bob earned an MSE degree from Purdue. The LM was awarded to Ben **McBride** for duty as an intelligence staff officer at Seventh Air Force Hqs, Tan Son Nhut AB, VN. Ben earned an M.P.I.A. degree from the U. of Pitt in 1962.

George **Nelson** has completed flying duty at Tahkli Royal Tai AFB, Thailand, and is

1946: George Nelson wearing traditional lei at Takhli Royal Thai AFB, after completing his final combat mission.

now at Seventh AF Hq in VN to complete his SEA tour which began last fall. While in Thailand, George logged 64 combat missions in F-105 Thunderchief fighter-bombers and served as Asst Dpty Cmdr for Opns of the 355th Tactical Fighter Wing. His base, before this tour began, was at McConnell AFB, Kans. John **Pitts**, now Dpty Com for military instructions at the USAFA, was awarded the LM for duty as Dpty Dir for the Third Direct Air Support Center located at Bien Hoa AB, VN. John served in that position from 23 Nov. 67 to 3 Sept. 68. He and Barbara are enjoying the lovely Colo. setting of the AF Academy.

Bryce **Poe** has assumed command of the 26th Tac Recon Wing at Ramstein AB, Lanstuhl, Germany. His previous assignment was as Vice Comdr, 460th Tactical Recon Wing, Tan Son Nhut AB, VN. **Poe** has an MA degree in history from U. of Neb. and an MS in international affairs from George Washington.

Last Feb., Mint **Wilson** relinquished command of the 1st Bde, 1st Armd Div and went to Rome for 5 months, where he attended the NATO Defense College. He, Hope, and the children enjoyed their stay there along with Bob **Crowley** and family who were in Rome for the same reason. **Wilson** is now Chief, Public Information Div, SHAPE; and **Crowley** is Chief of the Land and Missile Section, Infrastructure Branch, Logistics Div, SHAPE, both in Belgium (APO NY 09055). As far as Mint knows, the only other member of the Class there is Mike **Sanger** who is Military Asst to SACEUR.

The Summer issue of ASSEMBLY (Last Roll Call) listed Jim **Chatfield's** death on 29 Jun 69, while my column also noted his retirement on 10 June 69, followed by his move to Seattle. May I express for the class the feelings of sorrow we all have over Jim's untimely passing. To Helen and the children, I wish to pass on the class's expressions of deepest sympathy and may God give you strength to carry on, knowing that Jim served his country well and in the manner he most desired. A solemn Requiem mass was held on 2 July at McChord AFB, Wash., followed by full military rites and interment at Ft. Worden National Cemetery, Point Townsend, Wash. Among the many pall bearers were classmates **Creveling** and **Van Sickle.**

I also regret announcing the deaths of Jack **Kimball** and George **Dorman.** Jack passed away in Washington on 7 Aug. 69. He had been in Belvoir Hospital for about three weeks with yellow jaundice. His kidneys and liver failed, and he was unable to pull out of it. On 4 Aug. 69 George was shot down while on a combat airstrike west of Quang Ngai City in VN. He was Dpty Cmdr of an F-4 Tactical Fighter Wing. **Kimball** was buried at the National Cemetery, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex. on 13 Aug; and George's interment was at West Point on 14 Aug. Needless to say, all that we feel for Jim **Chatfield's** passing, we feel for the passing of these two fine officers. Again, careers have been cut short by events not controllable. To the families of both George and Jack I can only repeat the class's profound sympathies, and may God be with you in these trying times. I understand that John **Molchan** accompanied Petey **Dorman** during the period following George's death to after interment. The majority of the above data was forwarded by Lew **Tixier** current class pres of the D.C. group.

Lew also sent along an announcement concerning the Victory celebration after the

1946: Rex Beasley receiving the LM from COL J.E. Reed, CO Army Concept Team, VN.

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Notre Dame game. Unfortunately, the game will have been played by the time anyone could read the details. But, let me give some facts anyway. Kent **Berge** worked out the arrangements with J.R. **Horowitz.** Tykle and JR made the arrangements to celebrate the victory (or anaesthetize the pain of defeat) with cocktails at the Harmonie Club, 4 East 60th, from 5 to 8 p.m. I am sure regardless of the game results that 1946 had a grand time reminiscing.

B.T. "Skip" **Strain**, who left Lockheed in May, sent a long letter from Calif. The **Strains** have had several good visits with Class wives returning from or going to R&R in Hawaii or elsewhere. In Dec. Anne **Hazzard** stopped by on her return trip to Washington with Hap due to have returned by now. In Mar. Cynthia **Lee** was honored at a party at John **Dwyer's** place in San Francisco attended by the Steve **Conners**, Harlan **Kochs**, and Jack **Sadler.** Bob **Lee** should be back home by now, too. By the way, when in Frisco, you must stop at Harlan and Judy **Koch's** two shops both called "Fabulous Things" on Union Street and Ghirardelli Square. Jack and Val **Dayton** are happily established at Lake Tahoe, having survived the record snows of last winter. He has been elected a Dir of the Chamber of Commerce.

Skip reports that their only son Glenn entered the USAFA last 23 June, having also been accepted by USMA. Too much exposure to "blue suits" as Skip said. The USAFA's equivalent to "Bugle Notes" titled "Contrails" defines "Hudson High(n)—a little school on the Hudson River having 166 years of tradition unhampered by progress." Such brainwashing should not be allowed to go unchallenged. Since Dec. will be very close to the time you could be reading these words, and since that just happens to be after the date that ARMY meets Air Force at West Point—Beat Air Force!! I am not hampered by any prejudice, because there is only one Number One—USMA!

Tidbits: Bert **David** from Hq, USAREUR, Seventh Army, to ADC, Hq, 3d Inf Div, APO NY 09036 effective 12 July 69. Bert's change notice also listed his social security number as his service number! Rocco **Petrone** has been appointed Dir of the Apollo moon landing program; he had been launch operations Dir. Cucho **Felices** was honored in San Juan as the first person of Puerto Rican descent to attain the stars of a GEN officer. Ben **Bellis** (BG) has been appointed Program Dir of F-15 at ASD. 1946 still ranks number one for total graduated at 875. 1945 stands second with 852, and 1969 stands third with 800. Next closest is 1968 at 706. However, with the increased size of the Corps, some class of the 70's will no doubt take over the number one spot. But for the time before the destruction of old North Barracks, we will always be Number One. Letter just received, prior to sealing, from Bob **Wayne's** father, indicates that Bob is in Thailand for his second voluntary tour. Bob is serving as Dpty Comdr Operations of the 355th Tac Ftg Wing. (See story on George **Nelson** earlier in this article.) His first tour with the Wing was as Squadron Comdr of the 357th Tac Ftg Sq. Penny and children now at Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. I am advised that "Geeno's boss" in the book **Thud Ridge** by Broughton '45 is Bob **Wayne.**

'47

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The Big News is selection of the first members of '47 for GEN officer rank. The Army list, released in early Sept., showed Al **Haig**, Gordon **Duquemin**, Hank **Emerson**, and Ron **Heiser** selected for that first star. Congratulations to each and everyone of you. Al's working with Dr. Kissinger in the White House, Duke's Chief of Staff of 4th Inf Div, Hank's at Ft. Bragg, and Ron's in Europe. We hope it is the start of a flood over the next few years for '47!

The last few months have seen a mild influx in the Washington area. Jack **Dunham** is back from VN looking in tiptop shape for duty with the Defense IG's office. He says it is the type of job he has always wanted. Dick **McAdoo** arrived back from Korea for duty with OCE. Bill **Nairn** also returned from duty in Korea and took up his duties in DIA. Wally **Nickel** is in DDR&E.

In Aug. Pete and Betty **Boerger** had a welcome home party for Jack **Faith**, Bill **Webb**, and Dick **McAdoo.** Jack will take up his duty with CDC at Ft. Belvoir, Va., where he will be wrestling with all sorts of weapons problems. Bill **Webb** takes up a real tough assignment as a Regimental Cmdr at West Point.

Jack **Faith** and Al **Geraci** gave a promotion party in late Aug. with Al represented only by a photograph since he is in VN. Bobbie, his wife, stood in nobly for him, however. The party was also the first look at Bob **Haldane**, just back from VN, and going to West Point as a Regimental Comdr to hold Bill **Webb's** hand. Others at the get-together were Pete and Betty **Boerger**, Pat **Duquemin**, George and Hazel **Bland**, John and Nancy **Gerrity**, Pat and Doc **Haskins**, Dick and Janet **Miller**, Lou and Mary Lou **Rachmeler** (Lou just back from VN), Howie and Meg **Sargent**, Don and Marion **Steininger**, Ike and Ruth **Snyder**, Jack and Lannie **Dunham**, and Jack and Betty **Schuder.**

On 3 Sept., the Washington contingent of the Class held its annual stag organizational luncheon with 32 present. Incidentally, we now have 62 classmates in and around the Washington area. There were numerous volunteers (?) at the luncheon. Howie **Sargent** volunteered to be the local Exec for the year, assisted by Bob **Montague.** Jody **Johnston** will be the local Treas. We established a 25th Reunion Committee of Harry **Kain**, Tom **Hayes**, and Tom **Rogers.** Charley **Shields** and Tom **Benson** will work on the Year Book for our 25th Reunion. John **Mastin** will continue to be our USMA Treas.; and various enthusiastic members volunteered to serve on the Entertainment Committee during the year. It was a very fruitful luncheon.

Jody **Johnston** reports that Doc **Blanchard** is at HQ 12th AF at Bergstrom AFB, Austin, Tex.; Bob **Lilly** has a Tac Rcn Wing at Mountain Home, Ida.; and Ed **Robertson** has returned from VN and gone on to Europe.

Jim **Frazier** visited Pete **Boerger** for a couple of days in early July. He is with the Institute of Nuclear Studies at Ft. Bliss.

Jay **Bleiman** also dropped in and visited with me from Princeton. He claims they invited him to stay for another year, which I can well understand.

Jody **Johnston**, Buck **Fernandez**, and John **Cottongin**, all having finished ICAF, stayed in the Washington area: Jody with Air Staff, Buck with Systems Command at Andrews, John on staff of ICAF. Herb **Pinkerton** also at ICAF this past year, transferred the Class cash to Jody and took off for Korea.

Received word from Dick **Sforzini** announcing that he and his wife have collaborated on their 7th child, Mark Alexander, born 1 July. Congratulations! He is still Prof for Aerospace Engineering at Auburn U. Address: 912 Cherokee Road, Auburn, Ala. 36830.

Frank **Boerger** has retired and taken a job as Special Consultant for Contra Costa County in the San Francisco area. George **Heisser** also retired this summer. Bill **McGee** has doffed the uniform and is living at 4900 Magdaline Court, Annandale, Va.

A note from Bob **Rosen** in VN brought me up-to-date on who is there. Dick **Steinborn** is in Qhi Nhon and expects to go to RPI as PMS around the end of the year. John **Hoover** has a Signal Group, while Al **Geraci** is Signal Officer for II Field Force. Carroll **Jacobson** is XIV Corps Engineer. As of this writing, Gordon **Duquemin** and George **Maloney** are also still there (Ginny stayed at Waynesville, Mo.). Bob reports that he is Chief of the Engr Div of the US Army Engineers Construction Agency. That should keep him busy for the year. Beverly is staying in the Washington area while he's away.

John **Gerrity**, now with OSD, plans to join the VN contingent this fall, as does John **Culin.**

Final note from Jane and John **Mastin** at West Point. They report that the local members and associate members had a boat ride up and down the river on 25 Aug. Tom and Posie **Rogers**, Bob **Haldane** (Elise was moving the family possessions from Washington), Tom and Betty Jo Oldham, Ardis and Glenn Abbott, Bob and Iola Jarvis, Carol and Jim Morrison, all participated and viewed the ruins of Bannerman's Castle which burned this summer.

That wraps it up. See you at the games this fall as we trounce Navy!!

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These notes are being written in the Fun City, NY. My eyes are burning a bit from the smog, but I will continue to type.

The happy young man in the photo surrounded by lovely young ladies is Barbara and Tom **Clark's** Tommy at the annual Labor Day picnic held in early Aug. this year. A week and a half later Tommy matriculated at VMI, where he loves it at last report. Les femmes tried hard to impress Tommy that THEY would dearly love an invite down to Lexington. They are, from left to right, Anne Pope from South Africa, spending her senior year with the **Clarks** as an exchange student; Peggy Baron whose father, Jim, is class of 1950; Kathy, peering over her brother's shoulder; Terri Barth, whose father, Sam, is a contemporary of USMA 1948; Katie Scott of the WWs; Lissa Starry; and Ginny Ware.

Joey **Bratton** and Tim **Hoffman** entered USMA this summer to increase our complement there to 3. They and Rick **Whitfield** look forward to some of '48's offspring to join them. And, out in Colo. young **Dougherty** and **Swenholt** uphold the AF side of the house.

With my mad, last minute packing I failed to bring all my resource data with me. So, forgive any omissions or errors. Gene **Forrester**, I am not surprised at all to report, was named on the latest Army BG list. Congratulations to him and Mary Lou. I knew from

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1948: Offspring

the first day in math class in Sept. 1944, that he'd make the grade. Jerry **Jones** is shown getting ready for her 1-woman art show at the galleries of the Art League of Northern Va. Opening day was jammed with old friends to see her really fine work, and before the afternoon was through, 5 pictures had already been purchased. Tom thinks he may have found a retirement billet in his talented wife.

Returnees to the area include the **Griffiths** (he's actually in SEA) at 2411 Stirrup Lane, Alexandria; the **Hallahans** at 1815 Midlothan Ct., Vienna; the **Hatches** at 5626 Bellington Ave., Springfield; the **Bellingers** at 3935 N. Upland, Arlington; the **Braswells** at 1417 N. Inglewood, Arlington; and the **Meyers** at 2111 Jeff Davis Hwy, Apt 303 S. Arlington. In addition, the **Wares** arrived at 2006 Kenley Ct., Alexandria; the **Waggeners** at 2370 N. Wakefield, Arlington; and the **Hendricks** at 1008 N. Quantico, Arlington. Glad to have them here.

Our losses were not too numerous, but will be sorely missed. They finally keypunched Irv **Schoenberg's** card over again and nearly ruined the computer when it discovered how long he'd been around here. They were not too quietly sent off to Wright Patterson as previously reported. What was not made clear was the fact that many went off the wagon and their diets in the sending-off process. I have a partial address: 1053 Saratoga Dr., (something)born, Ohio 45324. How's that for reporting? The **Churchills** reported to the AWC after a too brief tour here. Andy **Anderson** gave up on Paris and returned to move away. The **Olsons** went to STRATCOM, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz. The **Patches** and **Schlesses** also left (if you don't see your new address, you know why, classmates). The **Stellings** are in sunny Calif. And Bob and Greta **Mathis** left for the 3d time since we moved here in 1964.

I have supplied the editor with a picture from the "DSA News" for 8 Aug., which shows Mike **Tashjian** receiving the NASA astronaut's silver Snoopy pin from his boss, RADM J.L. Howard, SC, USN. Hope it will print. Mike received the pin upon request of Apollo 11's Mike Collins for his efforts to back the Manned Flight Awareness Program. Mike T. was the last military man in Defense Contract Administration Service of the original Project 60 group which established DCAS back in 1965. Congratulations.

A few words about Arnold **Braswell** are in order. He took over Jim **Allen's** job as a joint planner on the Air Staff when Jim was nominated for BG. He recently had a pretty bad accident when, while trimming a tree, the saw hit a power line sending him plunging down onto a picket fence. Fortunately, as Lou **Schalk** got the story, Arnold's neck went between 2 pickets, thus avoiding a much more serious circumstance. He's well on the mend as of this writing.

Donn **Starry** reports that GEN Taylor returned a very nice letter of thanks for his copy of "I Remember Them." Donn was scheduled for command of the 11th Cav in Nov.; and he reports seeing Norm **Robinson**, Ash **Foote**, Arnie **Sargeant**, and Jim **Walk** in Saigon. Jack **Osteen** is out fighting the enemy in the hinterland, as CO 1st Bde, 5th Mech Div. The change of colors ceremony is shown in the picture.

Richie **Cooper** is a blooming stockbroker with Folger, Nolan, Fleming & Co., here. His advice, while sound, seems difficult in today's market: "Buy low, sell high."

Les **Carter** is back at CDC in Belvoir. His time in RVN was with the 101st, first as a Bn CO, and then as G5. He and Tom **Bowen** were frequent visitors, and Tom has now gone to Germany to take a bde. In addition to his other duties, Les found time to write a treatise on the "Pacification of Quang Dien District," which I found most interesting. Before I forget it, did anyone order a 20-yearbook and not get it? We have a few who haven't yet paid for what they ordered, and I thought this might be the reason why. If you haven't gotten your copy, let me know. John **Withers** was in town and saw Lou **Schalk**. Jack is as busy as ever and continues to succeed.

Howie **Adams** is shown receiving his 2d ACM at Belvoir for his work in OCRD. Congratulations! Received a note from the AOG that Blaine **Butler** is at the Nav WC this year. If I printed it before, that's all right. A fine guy like Blaine deserves recognition. And, while we're patting our successes on the back, let's note that Jim **Muehlenweg**, now at Randolph AFB, is the recipient of 1 of the 1st Meritorious Service Medals awarded. This is the nation's newest noncombatant military award for outstanding service to the U.S. and ranks with the BSM for combat. May I return to Mike **Tashjian** for a minute to also report that he has been the recipient of an Outstanding Personnel award at DSA headquarters. Fine job.

Norm **Robinson** recently was awarded the Joint Service CM in VN by MG Getty. No picture, unfortunately. Good going, Norm. I note another arrival among the press releases in Ben **Eakins**. He is with DSA, DCAS, and lives at 6931 Hector Rd., McLean. Bob **Cushing** is now coping with his guests instead of the employees. Jordy opines he may well miss the latter! Chuck **Crouch**, a partner of Anderson, Ablon, and Crouch sends Betty's and his greetings. Looking at the book, he

1948: Jerry Jones

1948: SNOOPY AWARD—RADM Joseph L. Howard, SC, USN, Deputy Director for CAS, DSA, pins NASA astronauts' silver Snoopy pin on his Executive Officer, COL Michael J. Tashjian, USAF. The presentation was made for APOLLO 11's Astronaut Michael Collins, who had written COL Tashjian thanking him for his efforts to back the Manned Flight Awareness Program and support of DCAS personnel who inspected the thousands of hardware items which made up APOLLO 11. COL Tashjian was the last military man in DCAS of the original Project 60 group which established DCAS in 1965.

noted how much older the rest of us are getting. Funny, that was the same comment my kids made about my high school classmates when they saw the picture made at our 25th this summer. Punk **Hartnell** and family have moved to 11 St. Andrews Dr., Lincoln, Ill. 62656, where he is Dir, Data Systems at the college in Lincoln. He is also teaching a math course and has found that the terminology has changed considerably from the days of Wells Algebra. He also states that the labor market looks upon USMA graduates with considerable interest. Future retirees, please copy.

Well, it's too late to say beat Notre Dame, AF, and Navy, so I'll depart with Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

'49

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It is with a great deal of sadness that we have to begin this column with a report of the untimely death of John **Poulson** on 23 Aug. One of our most popular classmates, John suffered a heart attack while cutting his lawn and could not be revived upon arrival at the hospital. Ann and their 2 children, Sally and Jack, will continue to live in the Wash. area where Ann heads up the Math Dept of Langley High School in McLean, Va.

The Class of '49 in the Wash. area has agreed to assume sponsorship of the Army-Navy-Air Force Cotillion involving 4 dances per year for Service sons and daughters. Jack **Albert** and Lee **Surut** are organizing the sponsor group for the 69-70 season.

Recent retirees are Dr. Web **Ivy**, who has joined General Dynamics in Orlando, Fla.; George **Chamberlin**, who accepted a position with the U. of Va. doing liaison work with their satellite colleges; Jim **Hendricks**, who has gone back to his home territory to enjoy those nice cold winters in St. Paul where he has joined UNIVAC; Bill **Vargovick**, who

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spent the summer touring Europe and will teach at Northern Va. Community College this fall; Snuffy Smith, who is to retire this coming Jan.

Walt **Milliken** passed on word that we have 3 sons of the Class at Annapolis, viz, Gene **Mechling**, Jack **Yepsen**, and Art **Underwood**. Also, Walt's son is attending Bullis Prep this fall and hopes to enter Annapolis next year.

Jack **Albert** has agreed to serve as Pres. of the Wash. Area group for another year.

Bill **Workinger** has returned from VN and is back at Hq, AFSC at Andrews AFB as Chief, Combat Systems. Jim Marr is reportedly now residing in Omaha at Hq, SAC. Ab **Greenleaf** has joined the 483d TAC Airlift Wing in SEA. Bill **Nordin** is now in JCS Special Studies Gp after completing the War College. Hilly **Dickinson** on a recent trip to SEA spent an evening with Joe **Schmalzel** at Hq, MACV. Joe is working with the RF/PF in VN. Hilly also reported that George **Pollin** was just back from a Bn Comd in Eur. and spent 2 weeks in the Wash. area en route to an assignment at USARV, Vietnam.

Jim **Spry**, with Lockheed Propulsion in Redlands, Calif., reports his recent marriage to a Redlands girl; welcome to the family, Gail.

Howard **Strohecker** is now the CO of the 160th Engr Gp at Bragg after completing the AWC at Carlisle. Another Carlisle grad, Jerry **Schulz**, has been assigned as CO of the 39th Engr Gp in Eur. Other Carlisle grads, John **Vollmer** went ACSFOR in the Pentagon, and Bob **Lynch** and Jack **Bender** remained on the Staff and Faculty at the War College. Again from Carlisle, Tiger **Howell** is headed for an assignment with Hq, USARV; Bill **Lowrey** to ACS Comm and Electronics in Wash., and Bill **Rank** remains at Carlisle on the Staff.

Late word from the AF Academy has Tom **Bullock** retiring to try his luck at the stock brokerage business. Tilton **Willcox** has received his Ph.D. in Bus Adm from George Washington U. Tilton is now with DCS Civil Engineering at Hq TAC, Langley AFB. Emmett **Everest** is also at Hq TAC in the Maintenance Engineering Directorate. Harry **Griffith** has assumed command of the 35th Engr Gp at Cam Ranh Bay.

Bill **Dederich** and Gene **Hustad** were awarded AMs for their work with the 8th TAC Bombardment Sqdn in VN. Bill, just returned to Wash. for another Pentagon tour, also was decorated with his 2d award of the DFC while in SEA. Dick **Henry**, vice-comdr of the 37th Tac Ftr Wing in VN, also received the AM. Ted **Campbell** is one of the 1st recipients of the new Meritorious Service Medal for his service as Aircraft Maintenance Staff Officer at PACAF Hq. Ted has been reassigned to the AWC at Carlisle. Don **Klein** has been awarded the SS, ACM, and 13 OLCs to the AM for his performance in flying 278 combat missions in SEA. Don is now assigned to Wright-Patterson as Chief of the Air Mobility Div in the Limited War Directorate. Ab **Martin**, George **Sylvester**, and John **Saxon** are all at Eglin AFB in Fla.

'50

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Greetings from the "vacationland of SEA," as my son calls it. Lots of '50-ers are over here, but as of this writing, the only one I've seen is my old roommate, Leo **Romaneski**,

1950: Phil Bolte received his 2d SS while at Chu Lai, also the Vietnamese National Order, and the Gallantry Cross.

who had the 168th Engr Bn before he left for home on 31 Aug. We managed to get together a few times, and I caught him up on news of the home front, until he could check up on things himself. Marilyn and Robin decided they hadn't arranged things very well when I left the month before Leo got home. Two households, with no one to fix leaky faucets, broken down air conditioners, loose stair railings, etc. Lou **Genuario** lives between the 2, so he may have been deluged for a few weeks!

Here are the assignments I know about: Tuy Hoa AB could almost have a Class party, for Mike **DeArmond**, Mal **Ryan**, and Jim **Horsley** are there. Don't know Mike's unit, but Mal is Dep Comdr for Opns with the 31st TFS, and Jim is with the 416th TFS. At Cam Ranh Bay, Don **Payne** is flying F-4's (Elsie is in Carlisle, Pa. for the year). Ira **Kimes** is a Sqdn Comdr there with the 12th TFW. Bob **Reed** is with I FF at Nha Trang. Russ **Glenn** has the 864th Engr Bn (Constr) in the 35th Gp. John **McCleary** is in J3 with MACV. Don **Sampson** turned over his Bn in Aug. to be Div Arty Exec of the 4th Inf Div. Rich **Lewandowski** is at Long Binh where he's the Deputy G2.

Val **Warner** has the 3d Bde of the 4th Inf Div. Ted **York** is at Pleiku. Chuck **Means** is with the Army Concept Team. Jack **Mackmull** has the 164th Combat Avn Gp; in Apr. Jack received the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross. Others who are here, but I-know-not-where, are Jim **Donovan**, Lindsay **Rupple** (Helga is waiting out the year in Rialto, Calif.), Spike **Wood** (Helen is in Hawaii), and Dick **Ewan** (Roxanne is in the Philippines). Had a letter from Ken **Ebner** a few weeks after I arrived; he's with Special Plans of MACV, and says there are a number of our crew there: Tex **Ritter**, D. B. **King**, Jack **Allen**, George **Klie**, Chuck **Watters**, Sam **Smithers**, Sam **Stapleton**, Lonnie **Lumsden**, and John **McCleary**. Ken had seen Walt **Adams** who was in Saigon on TDY from Bangkok.

Had a nice letter from Chuck **Friedlander** saying he and Diane are back in the D.C. area. Chuck has been Chief of the Astronaut Support Office at Cape Kennedy; for the past 2 years he has been space consultant to Walter Cronkite and the CBS news team. Effective 2 Sept., Chuck will become Spec Asst to Bill Anders, Frank **Borman's** cohort on APOLLO 8. Bill Anders ("Naval Academy, but a great guy") will be exec Secy of the NASC in the Executive Office of the President.

Laurie **Eek** has the 1st Bde of the 2d Div in Korea, where he is Post Comdr in addition. Clyde and Marilyn **Spence** suddenly had orders changed, and they're at Eighth Army now where Clyde is Chief, Opns Div; this should be a 2 yr tour. Robin talked to Marilyn the day the movers came and Marilyn gave her the word that Sam **Smithers** had been home on 30-days leave from VN in order to move Tillie and the children to the Philippines; Sam is in Saigon, as noted above.

Andy and Fran **Pick** took a 2-week trip up into New England in June, and on the way home stopped to see Carolyn and Dave **Cameron** at WP. While they were there, Vance **Brown** dropped by; Vance was at WP only briefly—he has a tng bn at Ft. Leonard Wood. Andy also mentioned that he saw Chuck and Jo **Butler** in the spring when he went to Brazil on the International Field Trip, part of the ICAF program. The **Butlers** are in Rio with the MAG—Jo is teaching English to the Brazilians in between her other activities. I really shouldn't end this paragraph without letting you know that the INFANTRY Center has now welcomed the **Picks**, in spite of that Engr insignia Andy wears; after 3 years in D.C., bn life will be an interesting change.

Waxey **Manion**, X-'50, who spent last year on leave from his civilian pursuits to attend the AWC at Carlisle, was in Wash. for a month this summer with an Ad Hoc Committee on the Reserve Forces Policy Board to examine the Hubbell Pay bill. This gave Waxey a chance to look up old friends in the area. John **Vanston** was also in D.C. in June; John is with the Test Command of DASA at Sandia Base.

Talked with Morris **Herbert** just after he had finished his firing tests. He is commanding a Hawk Bn at Bliss, and expects to finish up 18 months with that job, and then come to Wash. in Jan. He and Faith are enjoying the busy life. Jim **Mitcham** is the only other classmate there now—and that reminds me of when I saw Jim in Apr. when he came to D.C. for a few days. Jim and Pat's boy Reagan is at the Prep School at Belvoir.

In July, Blair **Ross** was named Asst to the VP of System Planning in the American Electric Power Service Corp. Blair joined AEP in 1960 as an electrical engr. He and Mary have 3 children and live in Ridgewood, N.J. Good show, Blair.

Jim **Wallace** sent me a copy of the C-1 Newsletter just before deadline time, so I can catch you up on those that Jim had heard of or from: Tom **Austin** has moved to Alexandria from Ft. Benning (he lives next door to Bob and Martha **Morrison**)—Tom is with DCSOPS in the Pentagon; Bennie **Davis** lives in McLean, is with Strategic Opns of the J3—in mid-Sept. he took off for Harvard for 14 weeks at the Advanced Management Program; Ken **Ebner** is with MACV in Saigon—Loris and KR are in Honolulu; Jim **Fooshe** lives in Arlington, is Asst. VP of Weaver Brothers for commercial mortgage loans. Gus **Hergert** commutes from Alexandria to the Puzzle Palace, where he is in the Office of the Asst Secy of the Army for R&D; Joe **Love** is back in his house in Vienna, Va. after a year at Carlisle Barracks —Joe is with R&D; Bob **Shaffer** is in Alexandria, after 5 years in Colombia and Venezuela —he's assigned to DIA; Don **Smith** is in Dallas, Tex. where he is Marketing Manager in the Texas Instruments Semi-Conductor Div; Jim **Wallace** is at Bolling AFB and lives in Alexandria; Jack **Wheatley** lives in Palo Alto, Calif., but was in the D.C. area in June, after attending a Mayors' conference in Pittsburgh (Jack is still on the Palo

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Alto City Council); Stu **Wood** has an Engr Bn in VN—Pat, and the children are staying on in Colorado Springs.

Jack **Kulpa** has been named comdr of the AF Avionics Lab at Wright-Pat AFB. The term Avionics is a coined word resulting from the marriage of "aviation" and "electronics." The lab conducts research and development in electronic devices and techniques, reconnaissance and surveillance, navigation and guidance, electromagnetic warfare and communications. Very impressive, Jack.

Sib and Nancy **Sibbles** are in Monterey, Calif., where Sib is with the US Army Combat Development Experimentation Center at Ft. Ord. Roy **Lounsbury** is at Jackson. Joe and Judy **Gappa** left the DC area this summer for Ft. Ord, where Joe has a bn. Roz **Round** came home from VN in July and will teach at the AFSC at Norfolk. John **Irons**, Jim and June's son, is a classmate of Reagan **Mitcham's** at the WP Prep School. Understand Tug and Patty **Greer** are at Ft. Leonard Wood, where Tug has a Bde.

Bill **Davis** has the 2d Bn., 51st Inf of the 4th Armd Div in Germany. Jack **Magee** has command of the 20th Cadet Gp at USAFA, having been assigned there from VN. Arch and Naomi **Wood** left Wash. in July for Wright-Pat, where Arch will be the Asst Project Dir of the AF SCAD program; after 2 hours in Systems Analysis, he will be looking through the other end of the telescope now. Jack **Hendry**, Al **Jennings**, and Joe **Elliott** are all that's left at Ft. Leavenworth now that Norm **Hubbard** has gone to a Sig Bn in Bangkok, and Tex **Ritter** has left for VN. I understand that Joe has learned a new sideline: handicapping dogs for the races.

In the last issue, I mentioned the sons we have at WP who entered with this year's Plebe class: Jay **Wheaton** and Charles **Wilson**. Elaine **Wilson** called Robin literally as she was typing these profound thoughts, and told her of 2 others. Elaine and Pat had been up at WP over the weekend, staying with Manley and Martha **Rogers**; while they were there, the Rogers invited all 4, '50 sons over to their quarters. Bill **Miller**, Don and Lynn's son, and Mark **Hanna** Jr. are the ones we didn't know about when we went to press for the last issue. In July, I saw Ray and Lis **McCauley**, and they told me their oldest Stephen is a classmate of Tracy **Kuyk's** at USAFA. So the list grows.

In the Awards dept: Val **Warner** received his M.S. Degree (in International Affairs) from George Washington U. in June. The LM was awarded to Leo **Romaneski** and Pat **Wilson**. Phil **Bolte** received his 2d SS while at Chu Lai; at that time he also received the Vietnamese National Order and the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross. Jim **Horsley**, Steve **Cameron**, Don **Sampson**, and Ted **York** all were awarded the AM. Nice going, fellas.

Have two babies to report: Walt and Shirley **Adams** now have 2 boys and 2 girls, for Christopher Hearne was born 26 June 1969. Then on 27 Aug. Julie Elizabeth **Vandersluis** arrived, bringing Barbara and Howie's total to 2 girls and 4 boys.

I think that brings me to the end of the news. I hate to be a bore, but this column could be a lot longer if there were more news. Just imagine how great it would be if every classmate sent in 1 paragraph about themselves once a year!

Have you taken your picture for the 20-50 book?

1950: Jack V. Mackmull being decorated.

After the deadline for this column had passed, came the word that a mid-air collision of 2 helicopters just south of Saigon on 17 Sept. 1969 took the life of my good friend Jack **Crittenberger**. No words could convey the sense of loss I feel, and I am only one among many. Jack was buried at Arlington Cemetery on 22 September, after a service that stirred deeply the hundreds who came to the Ft. Myer Chapel to honor him. I know you all join me in extending our heartfelt sympathy to Pookie and the children—Gay, Kris, Dale, Julie, Billy, Amy, Kelly and Jamie—and to Jack's brother, mother and dad. Pookie can be reached at 1011 Dead Run Drive, McLean, Va. 22101. LTG and Mrs. Willis D. **Crittenberger** live at 2101 Connecticut Ave. NW., Washington, D.C. Another of our ranks has joined the Long Gray Line—we'll miss him.

'51

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Never before had I realized so many classmates are veritable "Jack Armstrongs"—that is, until I started scanning biographical sketches in our HOWITZER. In the "olden days," all of us purported to be "brave, clean, and reverent," at least in the eyes of our roommates or whomever may have waxed eloquently for us. Yet in light of this observation, I find the prophecy that Buzz **Aldrin** "should" do well in the AF the more ironic. Am glad he hasn't disappointed his patron.

I put this column together on the day of the deadline—16 Sept.—not unlike I used to do with themes. It's the occasion for Buzz and his fellow travelers' appearance before Congress. The justifiable tributes they have been paid make my sincere "Number One" seem rather flaccid. When they got back to earth (literally), Dan'l sent Buzz the following telegram for the Class:

"Your classmates are overwhelmed by the magnitude of your accomplishment. All of '51 join in offering sincere congratulations for a superb job. We also join Joan and the children in heartfelt relief for your safe return. Your courage and dedication have served as inspiration for all to surmount the challenges of both the old and the new world. The depth of our pride in HOW you did the job is immeasurable—the epitome of professionalism."

Tom **McMullen** is assigned to the Office of Manned Space Flight in Wash. where he is Asst Mission Director for the APOLLO Program. In addition to helping plan overall mission responsibility and control of flight test operations (including launch), he and the mission director's staff also developed substitute activities and were ready to assist should Buzz and colleagues have had to alter their original objectives.

John **Buckstead** has moved from Cedar Rapids to Kansas City, Mo., where he will be responsible for product development of the KW-Dart Truck Co. "Tempus fugit"—he's been associated with off-highway equipment for 13 years.

Ernie **Rose** was in the Pentagon yesterday talking to Hank **Otten**. Didn't have time to stop—would have missed my bus—so don't know if he's for duty in the "puzzle palace." Do know, though, that recently he completed his 150th combat mission in SEA while serving as a navigator-bombardier on a B-57 Canberra. Johnny **Ward** was a pilot in the same squadron, and I've got 2 different pictures of him sent out by the AF Home Town News Center (thank heavens for them!!) receiving 2 different AMs.

Further in the awards line—Reb **Barber** was presented the LOM for service with the JCS before he departed for VN. Hank **Evans** received the 2d OLC to the ACM for service in the Materiel Directorate of CDC. Bill **Bradley** got a JSCM for meritorious achievement while serving as a div chief at STRIKE Cmd.

Now that he's finished the Air War College, Elmer **Pendleton** has gone back to RVN to command a bde in the Big Red One. Pat **Pattillo** had a signal honor recently when his bde in the same div hosted the man to whom Air Force One is temporarily assigned. But back to Elmer—he, Shy **Meyer**, Ed **Partain**, and Bill **Louisell** have been accepted in the Army's Avn Program for senior officers; however, Shy, as well as Elmer, will defer this training until after serving in RVN again.

Here are some random assignments you may have missed in recent orders: Bob **Volk** to MacDill; John **Hemphill** to ODCSOPS; Chan **Goodnow**, Bill **Depew**, and Ed **Peter** to Europe; Lee **Duke** to OJCS; Jack **Price** to Los Angeles; Joe **Rogers** to Ft. Rucker; Bob **Pazderka** to Ft. Leonard Wood; Mike **Kovalsky**, Frank **Bashore**, and John **Bohen** to RVN where John was "wounded" when run down by a kamikaze "Hondo" operator as he was crossing the street—damage: 1 broken leg. And while mentioning classmates in the Province Senior Advisor Program in the last issue, I failed to include Moose **Matney**.

Doug **Wainer** and associate classmate Frank **Hazen** both have retired. Gorman **Smith** was tempted by lucrative civ employment so resigned his commission and was immediately recalled to active duty as a reservist.

Dan **Foldberg** moved the class' seat of government to Wash. In a couple of weeks, a slate of "resident" officers will be chosen, to include a chairman for the 20th Reunion, at a luncheon.

Talked with someone just returned from a trip to RVN who saw Joe **Smith** (Engr in IV Corps) and Bucky **Harris** (traveling with GEN Haines).

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1951: BEFORE—. . . Buzz should make a capable, dependable, and efficient officer. . . . (HOWITZER 1951)

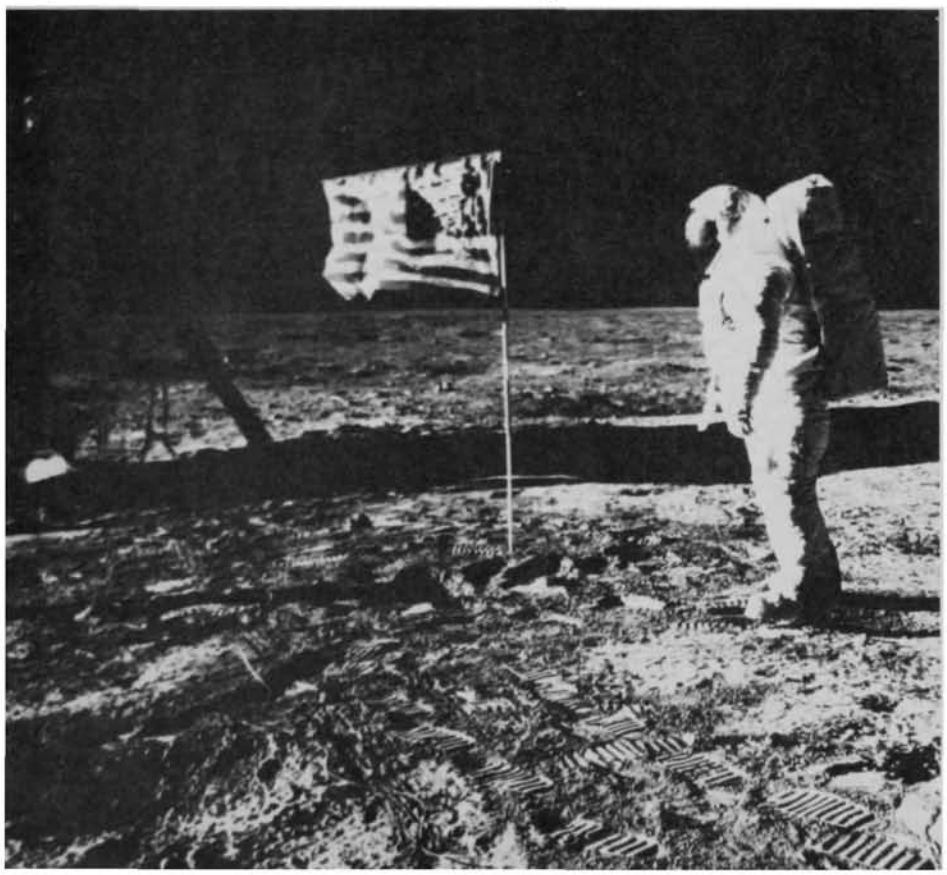
To prove the Class is still active in a lot of ways, Nancy and Pete **Thorsen** welcomed John in Feb. He, Nancy, and his 5 brothers are in Omaha while Pete commands the bn in Vietnam he took over from Bill **Malouche.**

Sandy **Weyand** had a most active tour over there. For 2 months of the time, he was senior advisor to the Vietnamese at the beseiged camp at Ben Het. He and Jeanne are now at Benning. Think he's the most recent member of the Class to put on his Eagle. Such occasions regrettably are getting to be more rare in the Army since unresponsive to the plea of Benny Havens, promotions certainly are NOT "less slow."

Since misery loves company, will mention some of the "new blood" in the Pentagon: Think Herb **Albritton's** here, but haven't seen him; know that Verle **Johnston,** Godfrey **Crowe,** Bud **Bacon,** Billy Joe **Ellis** (he's assigning AF GENS), Dick **Haggren,** and Dick **Ryan** are about. The latter is very much here—so much so that Ronnie **Roberge,** who organized a fine steak cook-out at Andrews AFB Golf Clubhouse for 6 Sept., passed the purple shaft to him, a dubious distinction emblematic of "next party chairman." At the last one, Mike **Simpson** was up from Ala. He has 2 plans: after 2½ years of retirement, to go to work again and to marry in Oct. a downright good-looking filly who obviously must come from the South. Wonder if his 2 plans are related.

Others at the party were the **Atkesons,** Claudette **Barber, Barrons, Beczkiewicz** (since I can't pluralize, will make the rest singular even though each was appropriately in tow), **Bicher, Birdseye, Boatner, Breakiron, Buck, Conti, Costanzo, Coughlin, Crocker, Dickens, Evans,** Patsy **Forrester, Granger, Haggren, Hamilton, Hite,** Brad **Holle, Hyatt,** Sully **Johnson** (did you see his picture on the cover of "Newsweek?"), Walt **Johnson,** Verle **Johnston, Keesling, LaFleur, Louisell, McChristian,** Bill **McDonald, McMullen, Meyer,** Fred **Miller, Moffat,** G.L. **Owens, Partain,** Pat (she) **Pattillo, Peixotto,** Irv **Reed, Rhodes, Richardson, Schlatter,** Stan **Sheridan, Steele, St. Mary** (dragging pro), **Tatum, Toole, Umstead,** Sandy **Vandenberg,** and **Willis.**

Some of you in the D.C. area may read Bill Gold's column in the "Post" (since it's on the comics' page). If so, perhaps you noticed that Dan **Sharp,** who along with other VIP's is being recognized annually on his birthday, was so honored yesterday. If you keep drinking Hadacol and eating Wheat-Germ, Dan, you'll outlast Bill Gold.



1951: AFTER—First West Pointer on the moon (1969).

Good wishes to John (C-2) **Hook** and his bride.

Sincere sympathy to Carl **Arnold,** who lost his brother in a tragic drowning.

Finally, Carolyn and I will report to Ft. Bragg for duty on 22 Sept.—that is, I will go and the family will join me when I get housing. The reassignment was a surprise, but a most welcome one—back to a meat (versus beans) diet. We set a record—it's the 6th straight year we've moved. Sandy **Weyand** and Jeanne will join us at Bragg where he will command a bde. Look forward to seeing Candy and Pete **Prehn** there; believe Jo and Sandy **Cortner** have an accompanied tour to Chad. To our sorrow, this move effects our plans for the Navy game, but don't forget class plans (covered in previous issue of ASSEMBLY) and have fun!! If this last quarter's any indication, you don't need my new address. Surprise me, though, won't you—and WRITE!

'52

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Mike **Collins** has to be our farthest out classmate, and we were both proud and relieved when he returned from out there. Our admiration and respect to you, Mike, and a generous share of the same to a family that has been through it all with you: Pat and the children.

Starting out on a life that could, these days, lead to the moon or anywhere is Albert **Hulley,** son of Sallie and Bob **Hulley.** In spite of an attack of mononucleosis the week before entering, Al completed Beast Barracks and is now in Co D-2. Quite an achievement for him, and quite a milestone for '52.

Dr. Dayton **Pickett** recently served on a Def Dept select committee to appraise the ROTC programs of the 3 Services. Pick is Asst Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the U. of Ill., a pretty exciting job these days.

The biggest news of '52 in academics comes from the AWC. Walt **Ulmer** is on the faculty, and students there are: Al **Bracy,** Ernie **Condina,** John **Driskell,** Jerry **Gibbs,** John **Hill,** Howie **Jelinek,** Homer **Kiefer,** Harry **Lamp,** Willie **Ross,** Jim **Tow,** and Sam **Wetzel.** Last June's grads from Carlisle included: Tom **Cole,** going to Army Element, OJCS; Harry **Dutchyshyn** to USARV; Bob **McGarry** to USARV; Dick **Miller** to 82d Abn Div; Steve **Nichols** to OSD; Harvey **Perritt** to OACS; Al **Thieme** to 2d Armd Div; Don **Weinert** to MACV; Don **Sells,** destination unknown; George **Tronsrue** to OSD; Stan **Kuick** to SHAPE; and Walter **Ulmer,** as mentioned, to the AWC faculty. I hope that you who are at the other War Colleges will drop a line to say who's there with you.

'52 has another author in its ranks, Herb **Devins,** now on the faculty at Leavenworth. Herb has researched and written a really first class story of WW II commandos, "The Vaagso Raid" (Philadelphia: Chilton, 1968). The raid itself was exciting enough, and Herb has done a beautiful job describing it. Congratulations, Herb, and thanks for several evenings of enjoyable reading.

Jim **Crow,** back from USARV, took over the USMA Prep School at Belvoir in Aug. As an old math "P," Jim understands what has to be done to get a candidate ready.

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1952: Cadet Albert P.C. Hulley, Class of 1973, son of Sallie and Bob Hulley, on the steps of Washington Hall after the Acceptance Parade. Cadet Hulley was the first son of '52 to enter West Point. Hangers-on, left to right: Art Deverill, Bob Haras, Tom Collier, Bob Hulley, Cadet Hulley, Gene Lane, Charlie Watkins, John Pelton, and Paul Child.

News from VN is good, but not plentiful. Dick **Larkin** was in command of 3d Bn, 12th Inf; he was to rotate home in Oct. **Frank Robinson** won an LM while working in CORDS, I FFV, at Nha Trang. Don **Williamson** commanded the 3d Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Gp at Son Tra airbase. That's all I know; does anyone have any more info?

A final note: Bob **Haras**, Opns O of USCC, was elected in Sept. to be Pres of the '52 Exec Committee at USMA. Our congratulations, Bob.

'53

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To start things off, congratulations are in order for our recent graduates of the senior service schools—Jerry **Brophy**, Art **Brown**, Bill **Burdeshaw**, and Norm **Delbridge** from AWC and Jim **Lammie** and Sandy **Meloy** from ICAF. Hope I didn't leave anyone out. Also to be congratulated are the many classmates who have been decorated recently. Receiving the LM were Cary **Hutchinson** (1st OLC) and Bill **Weihmiller**, both of whom are currently in Korea. The DFC was presented to Lloyd **Boothby**, Wally **Leland**, and Bob **Karns**. Lloyd and Colet are at Nellis AFB, Nev., Wally and Muriel at Hickam AFB, and Bob and Marilyn at Los Angeles AFS. Steve **Vogel**, who is also at Los Angeles, received the Meritorious Service Medal.

Other news from the AOG are the assignments of Bob **Scofield** to MACV, Scotty **Crerar** to MAG, Thailand, and the promotion of Larry **Crevoiserat** to a VP of the Design and Development subsidiary of Booz, Allen & Hamilton in Cleveland.

A letter from Gray **Kinnie** while he was still in VN tells of '53ers recently in the 1st Sig Bde—Sam **Rogers** and Chuck **Lowman** earlier and George **Brosious**, Fred **Glauner**, and Bill **Renner** as more recent arrivals. By now Gray should have completed his ITT to the R & D Group in Frankfurt.

Dick and Mary Young extend an invitation to anyone in the Seattle, Ft. Lewis area to visit them and their son Rick and daughter Laurie. They planned to see the ARMY-Oregon game in Eugene and hoped to see some classmates there. Dick is currently Director, Engineering Plans and Opns, Aero Systems Div, Boeing Co., and says their address is in all the local books.

Herb **Peckham** writes from Gavilan College in Calif., where he is Chairman of the Physical Science and Mathematics Division. He is planning for increased use of computers in physics and mathematics courses there and hopes to visit the East coast this fall to gather material.

A letter from Hal **Porter** says that he has recently moved to 6495 Happy Canyon Rd, Denver, Colo. His number is 755-2856, for anyone who might be in the area.

Recent arrivals in the Washington area were Joe **Volpe** and Ray **Bineigle**. Ray took Jim **Miley's** job, and Jim and Ruth have joined us here at WP. Also coming up to join the TD here are Whitey and Jane **Miller**. Returning for a 2d tour are associates Harry and Mamie **Hannaway**.

With the new addition to Michie Stadium and 6 home games we should see lots of you at WP this fall. For those that can't make it, keep the news coming!

'54

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It's my sad duty to report 2 tragic deaths in the Class during the month of Sept. Joyce **Renfro** died in an automobile accident near Silver Springs, Md., on 2 Sept., and Andy **Broumas** answered the Last Roll Call in VN on 3 Sept. Andy was the Bn Cmdr of the 8th Engr Bn at the time and died in a helicopter crash while performing his duties. Both were buried here at WP. Little more can be said except "Well done! Be thou at peace." They'll be missed.

Well, here it is, football season and Homecoming and all that's pleasant. But do you gents realize that WE are the senior class at homecoming this year? Such thoughts are utterly frightening! Nevertheless, we few here at USMA look forward to greeting you all who can attend, and our thoughts will be with those who can't. Speaking of those "few" of us defending the upper Hudson, it might be well to identify them. First of all, George **Storck** and Bob **Mischak** are both civilians and are coaches with the AAA; George **Chancellor** operates a still in the Chem Dept.; John Farrar and Woody **Woodbury** teach for lang (profanity, I think); Quay **Snyder** and Jim **Ryan** are assigned to MP&L (they're still trying to figure out what motivates cadets); Don **Newnham** is a Dpty Post Engr (and the only known expert in the nation on "instant" football stadiums!); and Jim **Ransone** and I tell it like it was in Mil Art, now known as the Dept of Hist (we don't teach hist; we are hist!)

In news from here and there, I'm happy to report that Dick **Littlefield** is again on the "combat serviceable" list and has been awarded the BSM, the PH, and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry for his somewhat abbreviated tour in VN. Jim **Scovel** was awarded the LM for meritorious service with Hq USARV, and Craig **Mahaffy** received the DFC for aerial combat over North VN. Stateside, Derrol **Dennis** received the JSCM for meritorious service with the Aerospace Def Command. Well done, men, congratulations!

Word also comes that Gene **Donnelly** completed the course at Leavenworth last June, and Harry and Barbara **Emrick** signed in at the AF Academy this summer. Harry will be an assoc prof in the Dept of Geography. Also, reliable sources have informed me that Al **Devereaux** is flying transports out of Clark Field, P.I. A brief note from Walt Evans contained a couple of interesting clippings from the Washington "Post": One was a clipping of Ron **Lee** smiling broadly from behind his desk as Asst Postmaster Gen, clearly indicating that the woes of the postal system haven't affected Ron's sense of humor, at least not yet. Keep smiling, Ron. The other clipping stated that Steve **Avery** had been promoted to the board of directors of Pulse Communications. No small achievement, indeed. As for you, Walt, you are a fink for not saying anything about how life is treating you!

Bill **Hauser** wrote a nice long letter from VN where he was serving with the 9th Inf Div. Bill commanded the 1st Bn, 11th Arty

1954: LTC James L. Scovel (right) received the LM near Long Binh, VN, 27 May.

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1954: LTC Richard E. Littlefield receives the BSM and PH for VN duty from COL Charles R. Broshous, Head of ES&GS Dept, USMA.

and later served as fire spt coordinator on the div staff. Bill reports that Frank **Hart**, Jack **Logan**, Ed **Cutolo**, and Pete **Witteried** also served in the div while he was there. Frank, Jack, and Ed all commanded Inf bns for a part of their tour, and then were assigned, as usual, to some staff position. Frank became the G3 advisor to the II ARVN Corps at Pleiku; Jack went to MACV J3; and Ed became the 9th Div G3. Peter **Witteried**

1954: MAJ Craig E. Mahaffy receives DFC in VN for performance as F-4 Phantom pilot.

served as the Divarty S3 and later took command of the 1-11 Arty from Bill **Hauser.** By the time this article goes to press, all should have completed their tours of duty with the possible exception of Ed **Cutolo** whose rotation date should be sometime in Nov.

Ben **Schemmer,** Floyd **Siefferman,** and John **Klein** sent their best regards to all via Art **Sirkis.** Art has a little law practice down in Hackettstown, N.J., and he reports that he

1954: MAJ Derrol L. Dennis (right) receives U.S. Joint Service CM at Ent AFB.

and Phyllis and their 5 children ". . . are rural, happy, and busy." Who can ask for more? Floyd and John are also attorneys-at-law; John has his practice in Queens, while Floyd has his own firm in Atlanta.

I urge all to keep those wonderful cards and letters coming in; otherwise, I'll have to publish Jim **Ransone's** class notes along with a picture of him sleeping in his carrel!

Beat Navy!

'55

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Lee **McKinney's** conscience finally got the best of him, resulting in a letter detailing Lee's own activities of late as well as those of a number of other classmates. Lee has been blessed with some very fine assignments and is obviously enjoying and making the most of them. He left Leavenworth in July '68 to command the 802d Engr Bn (Construction) in Korea for 13 months, and he is now going to work as Asst Dir, Civil Works, for the Miss. Valley Div in the Chief of Engrs Office ". . . I had a very fine tour in Korea, as we had some excellent construction jobs, an outstanding group of NCO's and young LT's, and a great Group CO. . . . Proof of the caliber of people we had is the fact that we attained a zero deadline rate in Ord and Engr equipment in Aug. I've never seen a group of people with so much drive and imagination."

Other notes from Lee's letter: Dave **Maurer,** back from RVN, is attending school in D.C. a year in preparation for a tour in Bonn as an attaché, Toni goes to school with him; Joe **Franklin** left for RVN in July, leaving Connie and family in Arlington; Dan **Ludwig** is Dpty Engr in the Albuquerque District, starting his 2d year; Ed **Guthrie** had an Engr Bn in Germany and is in RVN now; Jack **Campbell** left for RVN in Jan. '69 to be OIC for all dredging in SEA, under the Navy OICC (Construction), with Paula, et al., in Wilmington; Mike **Gallup** is in D.C., having just taken over the LTC assignment desk in OPO Engr Br.

Wil **McIlroy** wrote from Ft. Hood this summer, where he had command of the 2d Bn (M) 41st Inf in the 2d AD for 13 months. The only other classmates there were Woody **Black,** who was Tng O in the 2d AD G3 shop, and John Vanden Bosch, who by now should have taken command of the 17th Engr Bn. Wil has subsequently departed for Germany and Hq, CENTAG.

George **Kennebeck** reported on a '55 reunion and send-off for Carl **Cathey** at Ubon AFLD, Thailand. Present: George, Carl, and Chuck **Roades.** Chuck had been assigned as Wing Plans Officer, but is now back running the Plans Shop at ADC Hq in Colorado Springs. George has been working in the Wing Safety Office, and his tour will last until Dec. Carl is attending the Army War College.

The previous '55 group at Leavenworth have scattered in various directions: Frank **Robertson** to Chief, Supply & Procurement Br, DIA; Bob **Henry** and Jack **Doyle** to OCRD; Jim **Ryan** and Jerry **Denman** to DCSPER; Marty **McNamee** to Sentinel System Office, DC; Macon **Wells,** and Larry **Stockett** to USARV, leaving their families at Ft. Knox and Newport News, respectively; Bob **Stanley** to graduate schooling at George Washington U.; Bob **LaFrenz** will be Dpty Dir, Nuclear Cratering Gp, Livermore, Calif.;

1955: Dale Ward receives DFC from LG McNickle at Pentagon.

Matt **Schepps** to the 82d at Ft. Bragg; Dave **Gilpatrick** to the Office of Asst Vice C/S, Hq, DA; Jim **Town** to the Missile and Munitions Center & School, Redstone Arsenal; Dave **Wheeler** to Dept Engr, USMA; Bill **Chance** stays on the faculty at C&GSC, along with Woody **Fleming.**

The D.C. group has elected a slate of officers: Tom **Weaver,** chairman; Bill **Wilcox,** vice-chairman; Frank **Donald,** secretary; Will **Holbrook,** social secretary; and Stump **Joseph,** asst social secretary. There are now approximately 108 classmates assigned in the Wash. area, of which 22 are AF and 14 civilians. Names and addresses are available on request. (Frank's address: 6631 Holford Ln., Springfield, Va. 22150.)

Rex **Perkins** and Gerry **Chikalla** have both signed up for the program involving 33 weeks of school at the AF Institute in Wash., followed by an 18-month tour in Vietnam as a Senior Province Advisor. Rex started his school in mid-Sept.; Chik starts on 2 Jan. Something like two-thirds of the course is devoted to language training. Ann **Perkins** will be staying in the Philippines.

As usual news came in on a variety of awards and promotions, not all of which is there room to report. Reed **Stone** received the SS at Phan Rang AB for an action near Da Nang as a C-123 pilot. Dale **Ward** received his 2d award of the DFC. Dale was assigned as a T-28 pilot in Thailand at the time. He also has 3 awards of the SS. He is now assigned to AFRDSD in the Pentagon. Quite a few AF classmates made the LTC list in the below-zone category, including Reed **Stone,** John **Pickitt,** Bob **Meisenheimer,** Dan **Geran,** Bill **Roth,** Del **Jacobs**—and probably some others.

Tom **Horst** spent 3 weeks as the OIC of the First Class Trip this summer and sent

1955: Reed Stone receives SS from LG Edmundson, Phan Rang Air Base, RVN.

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1955: Chuck Roades, George Kennebeck, Carl Cathey—497th Tac Ftr Sq "Night Owls," Ubon, Thailand.

back some notes on classmates he encountered around the country: Dan **Dugan** returned from VN in Apr. He was stationed at Ft. Bliss temporarily until starting the C&GSC course at Leavenworth, Aug. '69. In the interim he was assigned as a project officer for the USMA Class of 1970 visit to Ft. Bliss on the First Class Trip. Margaret (wife) and 3 children had spent the year that Dan was in Vietnam in El Paso.

Horace (Doc) **Schow** returned from VN in the fall of '67. Doc spent 2 years with Army Materiel Command in the Wash. area. He is en route during June 1969 to US Military Mission in Bonn, Germany. His wife and 3 children will accompany him.

Ray **Gunderson** was seen at Ft. Benning, Ga. I believe that he returned from VN about 5 months ago. He commanded a bn there. Now he is assigned to the Staff and Faculty of the Inf School, Dir of Instruction office. He, also, was one of the project officers for the visit of the USMA Class of 1970 to Ft. Benning on the First Class Trip.

I spent 7 weeks in VN this summer as a member of a research team assigned a project involving analysis of the effectiveness of RF/PF (an ARPA sponsored project similar to the one John **Martling** participated in last summer). Although we were tied to a computer in Saigon most of the time and didn't get too much opportunity to travel around the country, I did see a number of classmates there, many of whom have subsequently returned to the States.

Dick **Baker** is stationed at Tan Son Nhut, flying F-4 reconnaissance missions and enjoying every minute of it. Dick had just arrived and will be there until next spring. Tom **West** is head of the 34th Spt Gp, charged with maintenance spt for a very large number of army aircraft in RVN—I believe his responsibilities extend over the whole country. Norm **Blahuta** was doing some OR work in J2, but left for the States just as I arrived, and I missed a chance to talk to him. I also saw Skip **McDonald** and Clancy **DeLong** briefly and attempted, but failed to see Dempsie **Davis,** who is also at Tan Son Nhut.

Our research effort came out, at least in the opinion of the people on the team, very successfully. It was a statistical exercise to explore ways of better using the enormous quantities of data being collected each month, with particular emphasis on the territorial forces. The results were far better than we had expected, leading to some findings which were useful as well as interesting.

All such studies eventually acquire a one-line description and ours has apparently become known as the "study that showed that you must treat different areas of the country differently and you must consider many factors in the analysis." That doesn't sound like much, but, as one-line descriptions go, it's not bad. It was, at any rate, a most rewarding trip.

The increase in correspondence with news of people who haven't been mentioned in the ASSEMBLY recently is encouraging, and I hope it will continue. Please drop me a line on your own activities as well as those of classmates. Such letters are deeply appreciated. We started the year off here with a luncheon, with wives, at which Coach Cahill gave us a run-down on this year's team. Jim and Bert **Torrence** hosted a party after the N.Mex. game. Such parties are planned for after each home game, and we look forward to seeing any of you who can make it to a game.

'56

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Again, very little to report because the mail bag has been pretty vacant. I realize that my writing isn't exactly deathless, but this is a crazy way to retire me. I appreciate that most of you are quite caught up in your careers, assignments, or whatever, but a card-a-year from the majority of you will go a long way toward revitalizing this column, if not this reporter. Give it a try.

Jim **Sewell** is enjoying the balmy breezes of Hi. from his assignment with the Planning Systems-ADP Applications Sec of J5, CINCPAC staff. Jim, along with Susan, son James, and daughter Sally arrived there in Jan. 1969. To the best of Jim's knowledge, only he and Jesse **Blackwell** represent '56 in Hi. at this time.

While in RVN, Jim saw Paul **Merola** who had just reported to the J5 shop of MACV last winter. He also learned that John **Johnsen** was with J1; Tony **Benish** was with the Opn Center; Bob **Caron** was flying for Air America; Bob **Sullivan** was a Science Advisor to the VN Mil Acad in Dalat; Phil **Farmer** was with CORDS Plans and Programs; Don **Fisch** was a DSA; and Charlie **Parker** was Gus Johnson's predecessor as S5 for the 11th Cav. Charley is now at the Pentagon. While Susan was awaiting Jim's return from VN in Atlanta, she was a neighbor of Tony and Bonnie **Jezior.** Tony was studying ORSA at Ga. Tech and has since been assigned to Ft. Benning.

Bob **Bacon** has grabbed all the publicity once again. After being the 1st (and perhaps the last) to have his picture on the cover of "Life" several years back, he recently jumped back into the headlines when as the Bn Cmdr (3d Bn/21st Regt 196th Bde) he quelled by decisive leadership a potential company revolt. I don't think there was a major newspaper in the country that didn't carry this story. Good work Bob!

Speaking of congratulations, how about Dave **Palmer's** recent book "The River and the Rock," published by Greenwood Publishing Corp., 211 E 43d St., N.Y., N.Y. 10017. I understand that it is a fast moving narrative based on scholarly historical detail gathered from original sources and describes in detail the role of WP during the Revolutionary War. Now I know who should take over this report when I flub the next assignment, name, or location, or all 3.

As far as medals are concerned, '56 doesn't take a back seat to any class. Lisle **Kendall** leads the parade this report with 2 awards of the DFC and 16 awards of the AM for action in SEA. Don **Satterfield** also was decorated with the DFC for his aerial achievement in VN. George **Lynch** was awarded the AM for action in VN, and Ed **Redline** received his 3d award of the ACM for meritorious service with the Command Developments Staff Office, Ground Mobility Div at Ft. Belvoir. Hugh **Filbey** is a member of the 483d Tactical Airlift Wing that has earned the AF Outstanding Unit Award for meritorious service in VN.

Plaudits are also in order for Bob **Sheridan** and Matt **Quinn** who both played important

1956: Ed Redline receives his third award of the ACM at Ft. Belvoir.

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1956: Lisle Kendall receives his 2d DFC for action in VN.

roles as members of the NASA team which landed APOLLO 11 on the Moon. Bob is a mission engr with the Office of Manned Space Flight in D.C. Matt is an aerospace engr with the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston.

We understand Bob **Grassberger** has been promoted to the position of Dean of the faculty at the AF Academy. Win **Frank** has entered the AF Institute of Tech to study toward an M.S. in logistics management. Meanwhile, Jim **Waldeck**, Thornton **Burns**, and Morgan **Mayson** have all graduated from the 10-month course at C&GSC at Ft. Leavenworth.

Not much else to report from this end. Of late, I have been making the jaunt from L.A. to Montreal rather frequently in connection with a TRW contract with RCA Ltd. of Canada to produce the 1st commercial communications satellite system for domestic use in Canada. A most interesting and challenging assignment, and Montreal is a pleasant city to visit (in the summer).

WEST POINT

Received a flyer from Bill **Crites** the other day announcing the 1st of the '56 Fall luncheons and so finally had to admit to myself that summer "vacation" at the Rock was over. I've reluctantly put away my tennis racket and water skiis for another year and am gritting my teeth for a tough season of football games, homecomings, parades, parties, etc.

A quick count of new faces shows that the Class came out less than even during the annual summer trading session with 7 gains against 9 losses. The new arrivals and their assignments are Bob **Hewitt**, ES&GS; Sam **Kem**, XO of the 2d Regt; Roger **Redhair**, Math Dept; Bill **Schrage**, Admissions; Bill **Haponski**, Eng Dept (2d tour); George **Young**, Soc Sci Dept; and Frank **Sharer**, Instructional Support Div.

In addition to the departures I reported in the last issue, we lost our local friendly family physician when George **Ward** moved to Denver to take up the study of pulmonary diseases, or some such thing, at Fitzsimons.

A recap of oldtimers still on hand shows Bill **Crites** and Dick **Tripp** in the newly created Hist Dept; Jim **Ellis** and Farrell **Patrick** in ES&GS; Joe **Gleason**, AG; Tom **Griffin**, Tac; Pat **Haley**, S1/S4 of the 4th Regt; Gene **Lynch**, Math Dept; John **Oakes** and Ed **Rhodes**, OMI; and Herb **Wagenheim**, Finance Officer. Yours truly remains in the catch-all (Spec Proj O) in the Info Office.

If some of us found the summer to be a relatively pleasant interlude, there were also those who had their work cut out for them. Among the latter were Pat **Haley** who, spending a 2d summer as S3 for Beast Barracks, was responsible for implementing much of the "new Approach" to this year's record-size entering class (over 1,400); and Ed **Rhodes** who, in true Inf fashion, led the way all the way for the Yearlings during Recondo training at Camp Buckner.

I notice that a fair number of classmates managed to find some kind of excuse to visit or pass through WP during the summer. Dick **Washburn** and Wally **Crain** attended a 3-day Admissions Workshop in late June. Dick, currently assigned at the Presidio of San Francisco as Sixth Army Avn Safety Officer, returned from his 2d tour in VN in Mar. Wally was representing Ft. Bragg. Both have added duties as USMA LnOs for their respective headquarters.

Don **Fisch** and family stopped by in late June to visit Don's brother-in-law while en route to Ft. Bragg where Don was to be assigned to the staff and faculty of the Spec Warfare School. Don just completed work on his Master's in Soc Sci at the U. of Ill.

Maury **Cralle**, ADC to GEN Woolnough, CONARC CG, since completing C&GS, was up here with his new boss on 6-7 Aug., and Bill **Crites** reports a visit from Mike **Conrad** who was on his way to a 2d tour in VN. Mike's wife Ann will be staying in Highland Falls during his absence.

I got to spend a couple of hours with Bob and Marlene **Schuler** and their daughter Kristin in Aug. when Bob returned from RVN. Bob is now attending American U. in D.C., to get his Master's in Public Relations.

USMA almost had the opportunity to host Jack **Woodmansee** and Gene **Dewey** and the rest of the 1968-69 White House Fellows for a couple of days in July. Jack did his best to set things up and almost succeeded, but 2 other West Pointers named Aldrin and Collins (with civ assistance) stole the show and proved to be too much competition.

The homecoming football game is only a few weeks away, and I hear that many of you will be up for the occasion. By that time we should have a pretty fair idea of what ARMY's football fortunes will be this year. Coach Cahill didn't come right out and say it when he addressed the class group at the monthly luncheon, but he strongly indicated we would end up with a record of somewhere between 10-0 and 0-10.

So much for now. Please drop by the Admin Bldg and visit if and when you are in the area. Don't bring money—bring news!

MAJ John **Liwski**

1956: Buzz Lynch at Cam Ranh Bay.

1957: Harry Davidson in the NASA APOLLO Program.

'57

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The war seems to be selecting its victims with a vengeful efficiency. Len **Hanawald** was killed in Sept. by enemy ground fire. He had landed in a helicopter to pick up a surrendering enemy soldier. Suddenly the prisoner ran; Len fired at him; and then the surrounding jungle erupted in an enemy crossfire which cut down Len. At the time of his death, Len, who had previously received a below-the-zone promotion to MAJ, was a LTC and a Bn Comdr in the 101st. He was buried in Arlington on 10 Sept., directly across from the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. At least 100 mourners were in attendance, to include more than 30 classmates. The Class extends its deepest sympathies to Peggy and the 2 children, who are residing in Atlanta.

This last Army promotion list to LTC includes our Class. At the present rate, promotion should occur in about 1 year, unless the "Army be augmented." We all hope for a speedier promotion rate, but although "hope is a good breakfast, it is a bad supper."

I'm grateful to Bob **Tener** for the following: Spoony **Alsheimer** was the Distinguished Honor Grad at CGSC last year. Those on the Com's list (top 20%) were Tony **Albright**, Bruce **Glen**, Mike **Higgins**, Max **Kovel**, Jerry **Patterson**, Bruce **Stout**, Bob **Tener**, and Stu **Wright**.

John **Sankey**, who has been a civilian since '60, is with a consulting firm in Kansas City. John and **Tener** toured a few of the more colorful Rock and Dixie spots in Kansas City last May, humming between drinks the refrain of "Kansas City, Here I Come." Bob attests that John still nimbly plays a ragtime piano and Dixieland Trombone. Tommy **Thompson**, now at CGSC, spent 3 years at the Def Info School at Indianapolis, where he taught International Relations, specializing in SEA. Ted **Johnson** resigned last winter and is now in the Boston area, most likely working out for the Boston Marathon this spring. John Andrew **Murphy** (I-1) retired on 30% disability last July. Jay **Toole** married in the fall of '68. His wife Merrill Lee is studying French in Paris while Jay is perfecting his language the hard way, in VN.

Bob **Buckner** is continuing his winning ways as Manhattan College's Freshman Basketball Coach. Manhattan's athletic director rejoiced over Bob's last year's team: "The best frosh group since I've been here" (22 years). The Jaspers finished 21-2 (to include an 81-67 victory over the WP Plebes) and

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1957: Bob Lamb wins DFC and admiring glance from wife Kathleen.

Bob's 4-year coaching record now stands at an extraordinary 75-6 (3 years at DeWitt Clinton High included).

Sid **Britt**, MA&E here at WP, reports that on his trip south for summer leave he visited Slimy & Esther **Smith** at Ft. Bragg. Slimy, who completed the "Naval" C&SC, is in G3, XVIII Abn Corps. On his way back from leave, Sid visited Rod and Ruthie **McConnell**. Rod is studying business at American U. Also in school is Dick **Scholtes**, working on an EDPS Masters at George Washington U.

Bruce **Glen**, Physics Dept at WP, casually mentioned that he and Peg are expecting their 6th child this Oct.! Bruce also said that Tony and Noreen **Albright** had their "4th" daughter this year. Tony and Noreen are now in Nellingen, Germany. Jim **Armstrong** returned from the 1st Inf Div in July '69 where he was the Opns officer with the 1/26 Inf Bn. Jim currently teaches Plebe Math at WP.

Ray **Bell**, Soc Sci at WP, reports that Don **Press** is in MACV J4 in Saigon. Don is in his specialty, which is some kind of a logistical career program. He's in a slot that requires a lot of traveling, some of it back to the U.S. Ray was in J3 operational plans in MACV for the last part of his tour, and prior to that he was the XO, 3d Sqd, 5th Cav. George **Richardson** arrived in J3 studies group in MACV Hq last June, roughly at the same time that Champ **Buck** pulled up stakes and moved to Wash. Jim **Chernault** has joined the Physics Dept at WP; John **Ramsden** is in the Juice Dept, and Herk **Carroll** (now LTC) is teaching a "Soil Mechanics" elective in the Engr Dept. Herk returned from his assignment as C/S Advisor, USA Advisor Gp, II Corps, and he and wife Sue, son Jeff, and daughters Dottie and Petra are delighted to be back at WP.

1957: Class Party at Leavenworth: Left to right, Stan Cass, Lou Barisano, Don Winters, Jim MacGill, Hal Dyson.

John **Hocker**, Math Dept and OIC of the Cadet Parachute Team, reports that Brian Kennedy has opened his own law office in Spring Lake Heights, N.J., after having been a member of a larger law firm for several years. Speaking of lawyers, Bob **Comeau**, JAG, accompanied Sec of the Army Resor to VN last Aug. to investigate the SF "missing spy case." Mac **McCullom**, now with the WP Admissions Office, tells me that Martin **Bradley** left Warner-Robbins AFB this fall en route to Grad school in Calif. Mac's last assignment was with Comm El, CDC, Monmouth.

Giles **Harlow** reports the following from the AF Acad: Frank **Knight** left his job as AOC (tac off) and has gone back to F-4's and Tac Fighter Wpns School. John **Schaefer** (Aero Dept) and Jerry **Meyers** (Chem Dept) are back in the cockpit in SEA fresh from the classroom. Archie **Barrett** returned from SEA to the Pol Sci Dept, joining **Giles**. Buck **Rogers** is at the USAF Mil Personnel Center (like OPO) at Randolph AFB, Tex., manning fighter assignments, so '57 is really running the AF. Giles wrote in June that some of the AF files will "bet both ways" for the AF-ARMY game. Since I'm writing in Sept. for a game that will be history when you read this, I'll interject my prophecy of the result:

1957: Jon Dunning listens as MAJ Gonzalo Evertsz of the Nicaragua NG explains his country's military publication system.

ARMY 32-Air Force 3. Will this prediction bring me to the attention of Arthur Daley of the NY "Times"? Since I'm on the subject of the AF, Bob Lamb of SAC flew 100 combat missions over North VN. He flew out of U-Tapao Airfield, Thailand. Willis "Bill" Thomson was selected as a "member of the Outstanding F-105 Thunderchief Crew of the Quarter" at the Takhli Royal Thai AFB, Thailand. Also, Tom **Dayton** is on pilot duty at Nakhon Phanom AFB, Thailand. The relentless AF PIO also informs me that **Harry Davidson** is one of 150 select AF members assigned with NASA. Harry, "trained similar to the astronauts," helps develop simulated flying situations for a space crew. Harry spent 6 days, as a volunteer, in a thermal vacuum test to help determine the capability of the vehicle for the lunar landing mission. Will '57 be represented on "That orbèd maiden with white fire laden"?

Mike **Keating** writes from the AF Acad that a fund has been started to finance an annual award in memory of Ed **Quill**. Mike requests contributions from classmates. For further info write to Mike, Dept of Engr Mech, USAF Acad, Colo. 80840.

Bill Golden, Pres of '57 at WP, reports that Tom **Gruhn** and family, while en route from VN to Germany, stopped off to visit Tom's folks in Cornwall. Ed **Soyster** is undergoing outpatient physical therapy at WPAH 2 or 3 times weekly for leg wounds received in combat in VN. Warne **Mead** is CO of the 1st Inf Div Rapid Reaction Force Bn, a composite US/ARVN unit operating out of Lai Khe. Warne commands 2 US Companies and 2 ARVN Companies. Jon **Dunning** was a member of a technical assistance team from Ft. Clayton, CZ, that recently helped the Nicaragua National Guard revise its publication methods. Jon is assigned to the 3d Civil Affairs Gp at the Ft. John **Follansbee** recently completed psychiatric residency at Walter Reed. John received his medical degree from Cornell in '64, interned in Walter Reed, and following 2 years as a research internist at the US Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine at Natick, Mass., he returned to Walter Reed for his residency. Bill **Bishop** is now manager of the Industrial Chemicals Div of Enjay Chemical Co. and lives in Westport, Conn. Bill has moved steadily up in the firm, progressing from Sales Rep through purchasing coordinator with Humble Oil, manager of an entire sales district, marketing manager, to his present responsible position.

1957: Bill Thomson receives Air Medal.

Thanks to Ben **Beasley**, here is the complete inventory of '57 now at Leavenworth: Tom **Adcock**, Lou **Barisano**, Don **Barlow**, Ben **Beasley**, Stan **Cass**, Gerry **Chase**, Chuck **Cooper**, Jack **Dodson**, Hal **Dyson**, Jim **Edgar**, Dick **Emery**, Sam **Focer**, Kerry **Gates**, Cliff **Goodson**, Parks **Houser**, Dick **Kenyon**, Jim **MacGill**, Jim **Maloney**, Mike **McCarthy**, George **McGovern**, Jack **Meehan**, Marsh **Moore**, Bill **Murphy**, John **Peckham**, Skip **Perrine**, Dick **Pfeiffer**, Jim **Powell**, Jim **Salzman**, Charlie **Scudder**, Joe **Shimek**, Tony **Solberg**, Wally **Summers**, Joe **Tedeschi**, Tommy **Thompson**, Don **Winters**, Len **Wishart**. If you haven't yet been to CGSC and don't anticipate going, remember, "fling away ambition: By that sin fell the angels." Incidentally, here's empirical proof of 57's immor-

1957: BG Rienzi admires Frank Gross' Bronze Star.

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tality; 36 classmates at CGSC have sired a verifiable 86 kiddies! Surely some of these children must be exceptional (a plug for my kiddie dept.).

We now have a 2d permanent rep at WP in addition to Chuck **Radler**, namely, Bruce **Turnbull**. Bruce retired on 31 Jan. 69 on a medical disability and has been hired as GS-12 in the Office of Dir of Admissions and Registrar. Bruce is the Dist Rep Program Coordinator. This program is a new, major effort by Admissions to obtain "grass-roots" advisors and counselors for prospective candidates. The goal is to have volunteers in every Congressional Dist. Any classmates, preferably out of service, who would like to know more about the program and who might consider serving for a couple of years as a Dist Rep, drop Bruce a note at the Admissions Office. Bruce, wife Jerri, daughters Susan (11) and Barbara (8) and son Bob (3) are living in their newly-purchased home in Cornwall with a view up the Hudson.

Awards and Decorations: Willis **Thomson** won an AM for "outstanding airmanship and courage as an F-105 Thunderchief Pilot on successful and important missions under hazardous conditions." Bob **Lamb** received the DFC for his action as a KC-135 Stratotanker Aircraft Comdr. He was cited for his "exceptional initiative and superior aerial skill during a successful refueling misson of an F-100 Phantom which had received battle damage over North VN in May '68." Frank Gross earned the BSM "for outstanding meritorious service while serving as asst chief of the Comm Systems Div, VN."

Exceptional Wife and Child Dept: Jerre **Britt** recently received her B.A. in Eng. Gail **Keeler** has remained in Colo. and is getting an M.A. in Ed under the G.I. bill. Jan **Wilkinson** was nominated as one of the 2 young women from the WP Women's Club for Outstanding Young Woman of America, 1970. We'll keep our fingers crossed (John **Wilkinson** is now Asst to the Dean here at WP). Beth **Merrick** is working with underprivileged children in the "Get-Set" program in Highland Falls. Strive on, '57 wives: "Das Ewig-Weibliche zieht uns hinan."

'58

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Our congratulations to our outstanding classmates who made the last (Sept. 69) list for promotion to LTC. 44 in all, of whom 35 came charging forward from the secondary zone. In alphabetical order, they are: Dick **Bauchspies**, John **Bradley**, Jack **Bradshaw**, Clyde **Brown**, Tom **Cameron**, Bob **Clewell**, Sam **Collins**, Terry **Connell**, Bill **Cooper**, John **Devens**, Mel **Drisko**, Roy **Evans**, Claude **Fernandez**, Jim **Frick**, Bill **Ganey**, Fred **Goodenough**, Bill **Graf**, Gary **Graves**, John **Herren**, Daryl **Jaschen**, Howie **Jones**, Linc **Jones**, Pete **Kusek**, Chuck **LeMere**, Fred **Mayer**, Bill **McCaffrey**, Bill **McLean**, Olin **Moore**, Sam **Myers**, Tony **Nadal**, Phil **Pryor**, George **Robertson**, Tom **Sands**, John **Sewall**, Joe **Shea**, Lynn **Shrader**, Jim **Sigler**, Ted **Smith**, Chuch **Teeter**, Hugh **Trumbull**, Bill **Tuttle**, Ed **Weckel**, Neil **Williamson**, and Milt **Wofford**. With the 9 who are now LTC and the 7 who are due to make it any day (probably before you receive this issue), our total is 61 either promoted or selected.

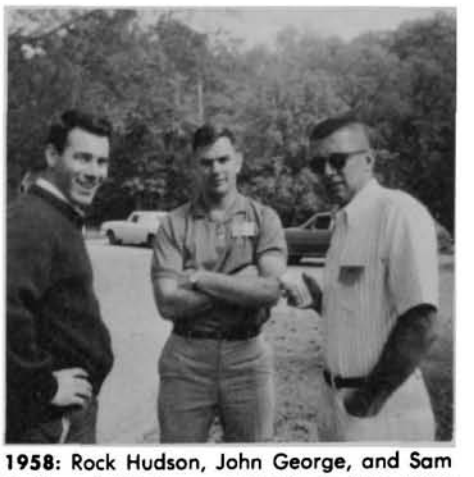
1958: Tom Carpenter receiving DFC from LTG Stilwell near Con Thien, March 1969. Tom was commanding 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav at the time and is now at Leavenworth.

News from the D.C. group is of a swimming party last Aug. at Ft. Belvoir, which attracted some 30 classmates and wives, and a planned luncheon at Bolling AFB in mid-Sept. Clyde and Ethel **Brown**, Bob and Jodi **Dey**, Bob and Jan **Higgins**, Pete and Ann **Kusek**, Don and Margie **McCullough**, George and Gale **Robertson**, Tom and Barbara **Sands**, Bill and Carol **Stambaugh**, George and Judy **Sibert**, Bob and Sally **Tierney**, Butch **Saint**, Gary and Mary **Kosmider**, Bill and Jo Ann **Shepard**, Denny and Shirley **Sharon**, and Brad **Eliot** made the swimming party.

1958: Dick Reynard, one of 16 students who received it this year, receiving diploma for the Master's Degree Program at Ft. Leavenworth (27 June) from COL Benjamin Capshaw, Chief of Staff. Dick is now with 6th Bn, 33d Arty in Vietnam.

Sam and Joan **Collins** forwarded the information and pictures from the 68-69 Leavenworth group's farewell picnic at the Hunt Lodge. The picnic was held last May and was apparently a smashing success. John and Judy **George** organized it and played host and hostess; Gerry **Schurtz** added immeasurably to the merriment by providing ponies for kids both young and old.

The WP contingent turned out, 76 strong (entirely too many to list them all), for a pre-opening game party at the Golf Clubhouse on 19 Sept. Joe **Brown** masterminded the affair, with able assistance from Carl **Sullinger** (refreshments), Bob **Finkenaur** (music—who else??), Jim **Kernan** (football team liaison), and Bob **Clark** (fire marshal). Sue **Kernan**, Theresa **Brown**, and Carol **Finkenaur** did an outstanding job on the decorations. After dinner and the film of the football highlights of 68-69, Coach Cahill spoke to us. He was as quietly pessimistic as he was before last year's Calif. game and the results with N. Mex. the following day were almost as spectacular as they were with Calif.



1958: Rock Hudson, John George, and Sam Collins at '58 Farewell Picnic in May 1969 at Leavenworth.

AIR DEFENSE

John **Stone** arrived in Da Nang last June after a 2-year tour with CDC Institute of Nuclear Studies at Ft. Bliss. He is assigned to III MAF Hq, that Marine unit with overall responsibility for the war effort in I Corps. As one of only 27 Army officers on the joint staff, John reports that he is in a complex personnel arrangement, with all the implications of a joint staff, but seems to have the situation well in hand. D'Ann and the boys are at home in Florence, Ore. (P.O. Box 327, 97439). Wally **Ward** is reported still in Colorado Springs, assigned to J3 NORAD.

ARMOR

Tom **Carpenter** returned from VN last July, after commanding the 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav for some months. While there, Tom was awarded 2 SS's, 1 LM, 2 DFC's, and 2 BSM-V's. Howie **Jones** was last seen working out of J3, MACV Hq, in Saigon—but was spending most of his time traveling around the country. John **Schneider** is still at CONARC, but having served his allotted time in SGS ("a very challenging assignment"), is now Exec of ODCSINTEL. He and Fran are at 458 C Gulick Dr., Ft. Monroe, Va. 23351. Dale **Hruby** returned from VN last July, where he was S1 of the 11th ACR and then XO of 1 of its sqdns. As I mentioned in the last issue, Dale is now at the Marine Corps Staff College. Gerry and Bonnie **Schurtz** are in the D.C. area (4524 Fairfield Dr., Bethesda, Md.) with no known job (not that he doesn't have one, just that I don't know what it is). Perhaps he's still giving pony rides.

ENGINEERS

Terry and Jackie **Howard** are still in the D.C. area and have apparently just moved into post housing on Ft. Belvoir. Terry is with DEMS, TES, at Belvoir. Rock **Hudson** is in flight school and will be moving around a bit this year. He and Karin are now at Ft. Stewart (206 Banks St., Glennville, Ga. 30427) but will be moving on to Rucker soon. Randy **Rodenberg** is reported to be back from VN in the D.C. area as a civ.

FIELD ARTILLERY

Jack **Burke** underwent brain surgery at Fitzsimons on 18 Aug. to have a tumor removed. His response was immediate, and the prognosis is most optimistic. After 6 weeks of treatment he is scheduled for convalescent leave, tests and evaluation, and probably next year's Leavenworth course. We were all concerned at the suddenness of the operation, but are relieved at the results. Bob **Donovan** and Ray **Tomlinson** were at Fitzsimons during the surgery. Jack **Bradshaw**

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1958: Gerry Schurtz, with son Paul and Jennifer George at the '58 Farewell Picnic, Hunt Lodge, near Leavenworth, May 1969.

was last seen as spec asst / systems analysis expert for the C/S of the 9th Inf Div in VN. John Nun is still flying out of Langley AFB with a CONARC flight detachment. After completing the requirements for the Master's Degree program at Leavenworth, and a short stop at Sill for the orientation course, Dick **Reynard** left for VN in July. Dick is now with the 6th Bn, 33d Arty (105) and reports seeing Mike **Daley** often, since they are both supporting elements of the 101st. Vivian and the girls are at Leavenworth while Dick is gone (1513 Pawnee, Leavenworth, Kans. 66048). Laurelei and Rube **Waddell** are the proud parents of an 8 lb daughter Jennifer Ann born 29 Aug. They are living at 3223 Carter Hill Rd., Montgomery, Ala. 36111, while Rube attends the Air Command and Staff College.

INFANTRY

After completing C&GSC last year, John **George** is in grad school, due to come to WP in '71. He and Judy are living in Tuscaloosa (35 Southmount, Skyland Park, Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35401). Les **Gibbings** was last seen in G3 Plans, 101st Div in VN. He worked with Tom **Carpenter** when Tom's sqdn went into the A Shau valley during the "Hamburger Hill" campaign. Ken **Montgomery** was reported headed for the NG Bureau in the Pentagon after a successful tour with the 3d Bde, 101st Div. As S3, Ken, too, had a big hand in the "Hamburger Hill" campaign and on another occasion was largely responsible for the successful defense of the Bde fire support base after the Bde CO was wounded. John **Holecek** arrived Ft. Monroe in Sept. and is assigned to PIO. Joe and Nancy **Moore** are now at Leavenworth (314-2 3d St., Ft. Leavenworth, Kans. 66027). Joe was evacuated with hepatitis from the 3d Bde of the 1st Div in VN and spent some 4 months in hospitals purging the bug. Phil **Pryor** is reported in VN with "the Abn Div" while Sally is living in Hawaii (1564 Hooli Circle, Pearl City, Hi. 96782). Gene **Scales** is an instructor in the MSC School in San Antonio (5059 Crusade Dr., 78218). He was awarded the ACM-V in VN, has applied for the FAST program, and expects to leave San Antonio in the summer of '70, either for school or VN. John **Sewall** worked with Jack **Bradshaw** as spec asst / systems analysis expert for the C/S of the 9th Div in VN. The dynamic duo were reported to be "holding the reins of power" in the div, but I imagine GEN Ewell might have had something to say about that. Chuck **Toftoy** is back in VN for a 2d tour, this time with the 1st Inf Div as Dpty G3. Patty and the 2 boys are in New Orleans. Chuck reported seeing Doug **Detlie**, who is S3, 1st Bn, 20th Inf (1st Div).

1958: Identify the mystery guests—'58 Farewell Picnic, Hunt Lodge, Leavenworth, May 1969.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill **Tuttle** left for VN (Bien Hoa) in Sept. after finishing 2 years at Ariz. State U. studying Industrial Engr.

USAF

Bob **Grete** is still in Stuttgart as XO for DCS; however, the caption to the picture we printed in the Spring ASSEMBLY should have identified the presentor of Bob's 1st SS as MG E.L. Rowny. Bob's current address is Hq USEUCOM, DCS, APO N.Y. 09128. John **McKillop** is in Wiesbaden, stationed at Sembach AB, FR 6 (Box 1413, 601 TCW, APO N.Y. 09130) and reports that Hank Gardner is still in Germany. Ken **Phillips** is now at the Air C&SC at Montgomery, Ala.

CIVILIAN

Cloin **Robertson** is a nuc engr for GE, working in their Schdy plant (891 Northumberland Dr., Schdy, N.Y. 12309). He gets into the WP area frequently and is coming to a few games this year. Cary **Martin** was seen in VN, sneaking and peeking with the 25th (?) MI Gp, while Maria and the boys are in Mass. Bill **Harrison** has left the mid-west, after some last minute free-lance management and recruiting last spring, and is now in Berkeley working on a Ph.D. and helping Berkeley Computer Center as Dir of Administration. His new address is 916 Cragmont, Berkeley, Calif. 94708; tel. 527-2577 and he invites all classmates in the area at least to say hello.

This column depends (help!) upon its friends.

'59

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Plans for the 10th Reunion are proceeding at a rapid pace. Bob **Weekley** and his committees are outdoing themselves to assure the Class an outstanding series of activities during the 3-5 Oct. weekend. Full coverage of the gala events will be forthcoming in the next ASSEMBLY.

We are indebted to Art **Bair** and his candid camera for the series of informal snap shots of the June Week festivities. The photos include both classmates and associates stationed at WP.

It appears that '59 may have passed the peak with respect to serving on the Staff and Faculty here. Our ranks have shrunk from 95 to 65 over the summer. The new arrivals include Dave **Cotts** (Tac G2), Hank **Covington** (OMI), Ben **Dishman** (Eng), Phil **Huntingdon** (Chem), Don **Ingram** (Foreign Lang), John **McNerney** (Chem), Ken **Norman** (Foreign Lang), Ron **Pistone** (ES&GS), Tim **Plummer** (ES&GS), and Gerry **Stadler** (Hist). Appropriate greetings were extended at a "church social" which Tom **Mooney** organized at Bonneville Cabin (Round Pond) on 5 Sept.

1959: June Week picnic at Camp Buckner. Clockwise from the bow: Judi Dawkins, Pat Stofft, Bev Corby, Jim Abrahamson, Pete Dawkins, Judy Keough, Bill Stofft, John Simpson, Marigold Abrahamson.

One other new arrival! On 17 June the stork descended on John and Karla **Moellering** bringing them their 1st daughter (3d child) Ann Elizabeth.

Deirdre **Magnussen** sends the following from Athens, Ga.: "BE IT KNOWN BY ALL HERE PRESENT, Magnussen, Mark H., did peacefully relinquish his bachelorhood on 30 Nov. 1968, Presidio of San Francisco, Calif. In a package deal he took a wife Deirdre, and 3 sons Eric, Keith, and Philip. A late-comer to matrimony, he also was a 'late-goer' to VN. He reported in country 27 Mar. 1969, and can be reached at Hq 1st Log Comd (Svcs), San Francisco, 96384. BE IT FURTHER KNOWN that the doors at 200 Berkeley Drive are ever open to the Class of '59, if you chance this way. The hospitality is a blending of Mark's Tex. influence and my own English rearing."

Mike **Duggan** is now serving his 2d tour in VN. He is the S3 of the 2d Bn, 35th Inf,

1959: June Week picnic at Camp Buckner. In foreground from left to right: Bev Corby, Bucky Maglin, Dana Schwartz, and Kathy Walters. In background: many others.

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1959: June Week Dinner-Dance at Hotel Thayer. Clockwise from center front: Phylis Walsh, Don Davis, Marty Roberts, Tom Roberts, Matty Davis, Jim Walsh, Ellen Zaldo, Carol Thudium and Chris Thudium.

4th Div fighting around Kontum. Mike is due back in mid-Oct. Judy and Maryann and Michael are living in Middle Village, Long Island, N.Y. Judy indicates that Tom **Borlund** returned to Ft. Benning last summer from VN and was the head of one of the Depts in the Inf School.

Rog **Ware** contributed some inside news on a few K-1 files who have been out of the service since 1962. He and Rinny have 4 boys—the youngest Glenn is just 2. Rog is presently the Underwriting Manager for the Safeco Insurance Gp, Eastern Region, in River Edge, N.J. He received an M.B.A. in business management, cum laude, from Fairleigh Dickinson U. in 1967 and built a home in Harrington Park, N.J. (6 miles from the Tappan Zee Bridge). Frank and Gretchen **Salvatore** live in Wellsley, Mass. Frank is a manager for Avco near Boston, and they have 3 girls and a boy. John **Cohan** got his law degree in 1967 and taught law and business at Northeastern in Boston for about 2 years. He is still single and "very mod." John is presently in corporate law for a large law firm in Boston, but spends most of his time in Washington, D.C., working on mergers, etc. Jim **Dorsey** is with IBM. He lives in Mass., but has been in Europe most of the summer on business. Many thanks Rog!

Rody **Conway** returned from a 2d tour in VN in Apr. and is now in the FAST Program for Central America. He will finish his Spanish course in Nov. and has been nominated for LSU for a Master's in Latin American Affairs. Pat and the boys are with Rody at Ft. Ord, Calif.

1959: Jack Poole receiving the DFC at Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Ga.

Hank **Adamson** made a liaison visit to the Academy from Ft. Polk, La. on 25 June. A "small" F-1 get-together at the club with Denny and Yvette **Walter** and yours truly capped the day. After 13 months as a tng Bn Comdr, Hank is presently the Bde S3. He is expecting to go to a Pershing Bn in Germany in the near future, accompanied by wife Joy and son Hank.

Bill **Luther** spent 17 June-25 July in Thayer Hall participating in an ROTC Summer Workshop on the Hist of the Mil Art. Bill is an Asst PMS at Auburn U., where he is also working on a M.A. in Pol Sci. Bill and Devon have 2 children, 8-year-old Bill III, and 4-year-old Leslie.

1959: June Week picnic at Camp Buckner. How many can you identify?

1959: Gerry Noga receiving the BSM at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

Jack and Joan **Poole** are at Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Ga. Jack is the Dpty Chief, Resource Management Div, Office of the School Secy, US Army Aviation School Element.

Wayne **Lambert** graduated from the Instrument Pilot Instructor School at Randolph AFB and is presently an FB-111 instructor at Carswell AFB, Tex. He is married to the former Doris Ellen (Pee Wee) Harvey (met her at Va. Beach) and they have 2 sons, Winston and Shane, ages 7 and 5 respectively. Wayne indicates that Dudley **Moorhous** is still commanding a B-52 in SEA and that Bill **Barry** completed his internship at Lackland AFB in July and is now spending a year at Harvard. An invitation is extended to all '59ers in the Fort Worth area to join Wayne for a "special pot of mint juleps."

Dick **Toye** is an international politico-military affairs officer at Hq, USAFEUR, Lindsey Air Station, Germany. He earned his M.A. in 1964 at Georgetown U. and later studied at Georgetown U. Law School. Bill **Isaac** is an electronic warfare officer at Takhli Royal Thai AFB, Thailand. He received his M.S. in 1968 at the AF Institute of Tech at Wright-Patterson AFB. AF news releases also indicate that the "blue suit" '59ers will be promoted to MAJ this fall.

Congratulations go to the 18 members of the Class who are the 1st to be selected for promotion to LTC: Jim **Adams**, Dick **Bennett**, Ed **Burba**, Fitz **Chandler**, Pete **Dawkins**, Al **Devereaux**, Charley **Getz**, Russ **Hewitt**, Lou **Hightower**, Powell **Hutton**, Van **Ivey**, Stan **Kanarowski**, John **Moellering**, Bill **Mullen**, Ron **Pistone**, John **Simpson**, Don **Smart**, and Pete **Stromberg**. For the statistics minded: there are 7 Inf, 6 Engr, 4 Armor, and 1 ADA files among them.

The Printer made his apologies for the caption mix-up in the summer issue. The solution to the puzzle is to reverse the captions and flip the negative on the lower photograph!

'60

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ARMY football is off to another good start with wins in the first two games against New Mexico and Vanderbilt. Those of us at WP are looking forward to the Homecoming festivities in conjunction with the Texas A&M game on 4 Oct., and by the time you read this the Navy game will be just around the corner. That event provides an annual raison d'etre for a round of parties in Philadelphia; join us there and share in the fun.

If you are keeping a roster of classmates stationed at West Point, add to the list in the last issue the names of Tom **Schmitt**, who joined the Admissions Division last spring; Jon **Searles**, who returned to the Math department for a 4th year after a VN tour; Bill **Sexton**, the new USMA security officer; and Wally **Duncan**, who recently arrived in the Soc Sci Dept. Tom and Wally both spent some time as civilians before rejoining the green-suit crowd; according to AOG figures, we still have 140 civilian classmates, or roughly 25% of our graduation strength of 550. (If you infer that I am padding the column, you are correct—the mail box has been discouragingly empty for the past 3 months.)

Roger **Ryan** wrote a letter which I received at the end of June, about a week after my last deadline. At that time he was

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1960: Chan Robbins received his second Army Commendation Medal for service as XO, OAC/S, Hq, USARV.

S1 of the 54th Arty Gp in VN, but he expected to join one of the battalions shortly. He reports having heard from Chuck **Bailey**, MAJ, USMC. Chuck has apparently gotten around a good bit, covering Africa, the Middle East, and Latin America for the past few years as head of regional Marine security units. He is now in VN, where he has been a Bn S4, company CO, and Force Armor officer of III Marine Amphibious Force in Danang. Rog has also heard from Garrett **Sampson**, who is flying F-106's out of Malmstrom AFB in Montana. Garrett and Judy have a daughter Karoline. On a TDY flight to Taiwan, Garrett visited Roger and Gail **Martz**. Roger M. is subpost engineer for MAAG in Taipei.

I suspect the real reason for Roger R's letter is to inform us of a highly suspect new organization of class bachelors. It seems that when Nick **Rowe** was in Washington last March, Reed **Barrows** hosted a small party attended by Rog, Nick, and Gene **Brisach**. Celebrating their misogamy, they decided it would be worthwhile to organize all the class bachelors so as to facilitate gatherings for "devious fun and games" whenever paths cross and to be able to provide information about who is around for parties, dates, etc. By unanimous vote, Nick was elected president of the "Incorruptibles," and Roger is secretary (despite the fact that he misspelled the title—I charge plebes a 10th for that, and I don't correct it for them, but anything for a classmate, as the saying goes). At any rate, Rog's main task at present is to compile a list of names and addresses of all bachelor classmates. He asks that you send your contributions (both current and permanent addresses, please) to MAJ Roger M. Ryan, USARV Engineer Section, M&I Div, APO San Francisco 96375.

1960: Jim Smith receives the Bronze Star for service in Vietnam as detachment commander of the Air Procurement Region, Far East.

Jack **Downey** wrote in mid-Sept. from VN, where he is assigned as S3 of the 173d Abn Bde Spt Bn. He has seen several classmates: Tom **Noel**, S3, 319th Arty Bn (organic to the 173d); Darrell **Houston**, S3 2/503 Inf; Craig **Hagan** and Bill **Chase**, Asst S3's, 173d Bde. Before leaving the States, Jack bought a house in Clarksville, Tenn., where Clarice and son Paul are living, and a 90-acre farm on Lake Barkley (TVA).

1960: John Wood receives his second Bronze Star for service as SigO, 5th SFG.

I regret to have to pass on Jack's report that Tom **Throckmorton** was seriously injured. Tom arrived in VN on 21 August 1969 and was assigned to the 173d Bde as Asst S3. On 12 Sept., he was riding with the Deputy Bde CO in a Loach helicopter that had a power failure at 300-400 feet. Although the pilot and the COL escaped with bruises, Tom dislocated his hip and broke his pelvis in 2 places. Jack saw him in the 67th Evac Hospital in Qui Nhon, and Tom said that he would be evacuated as soon as possible. His doctors apparently anticipate a long recovery period.

The Assn of Grads provided news releases on several classmates. Don **Stukel**, USAF, recently received a Doctor of Science Degree in Aerospace Engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Don is one of the 1st, 4 graduates of AFIT to receive a doctorate (AFIT is fully accredited, incidentally—it has been in operation for about 50 years). He entered in 1965 with an MS from the U. of Ill. (1962), and began his doctoral research in electronic properties of semiconductors in 1967. He will now continue research and also serve as director of the AFIT solid state physics lab.

1960: Hector Carron receives his third Bronze Star and an Air Medal for service as a logistics advisor.

Another USAF file, Jim **Smith**, received a MS degree from Oklahoma State and is now Deputy Director of a Defense Supply Agency installation in Grand Rapids. Larry **Sapper**, who has a MA degree from Ball State U., Muncie, Ind., is a mathematician with the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland. John **Davidson**, also an AF file, has a MS from MIT and recently transferred from Wiesbaden to the Los Angeles Air Station, where he works as an electronics engineer. Hector **Carron** is a logistics advisor with Advisory Team 3, VN; his wife, Shirley, is currently living at 234 Eighteenth St., Pacific Grove, Calif. Chan **Robbins**, whose wife Jill lives at 8038 Broadway, San Antonio (down the road from USAA, I guess), is XO to the Asst C/S Opns, Hq, USARV.

I have a short note from John **Kirby**, confirming my inference several months ago that he was a civilian lawyer. John left the Army in 1964 and attended Notre Dame Law School, graduating in 1967. He had worked during summer vacations with Kenyon & Kenyon in New York (where he met Ed **Handler**, a member of that firm, and he joined them in 1967 permanently. John and

1960: Don Stukel is one of the first four recipients of a doctorate from the AFIT.

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Beth have 2 sons, ages 2 and 4. Number 2 son weighed in at birth at 10 lbs. 9 oz., which may be a class record.

Gordie **Livingston**, M.D., has been the subject of a lot of conversation here lately as a result of a letter to the editor of the "Saturday Review." It is an articulate account of an irrational act that led to his removal from VN as "an embarrassment to the command" (he was regimental surgeon of the 11th Cav) and his subsequent resignation from the Army. If you haven't aready seen it, go to the library and dig out the 20 Sept. issue.

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We are faced with an anomaly. Although VN remains the place where it's at, old "Second to None" is at WP. There are 88 of us assigned here for duty! In Chem: **Offringa, Rennagel,** and **Zimmerman.** In ES&GS: **Bragg** (actually works in the USMA Expansion Office), **DeWitt, Doherty, Hansell, Mace,** and **Williamson.** In Electricity: **Busdiecker,** Art **Downey,** and Chip Smith. In Engr: **Kirkpatrick, LaBorne,** and **Tilghman.** In Eng: **Covington, Hoy, Legge, Olejniczak, Rosenkranz, Schell,** and **Tedrick.** In For Lang: Al **Armstrong, Cullum, Kee, Lynch, McCormick,** Donn **Miller,** Jerry **White,** and **Wilder.** In Math: **Barney, Bender, Blanda, Conley, Coulter, Crowther, Custer, Dombrowski, Popovich, Seltz, Solomon,** and Dutch **Welsh.** In Mech: **Boylan, Heimdahl, Hyde,** and **Royce.** In MP&L: **Gordon, Mercer, Sawtelle,** and **Tyler.** In OMI: **Berinato, Garretson, Murphy, Robertson,** and Witherspoon. In OPE: **Buckner, Clarke, Ekman, Grannemann,** and **Powell. Neiger** is working for AAA this year. In Phys: Charlie **Green, Hale,** Dick **Jackson, Schultz,** and **Stokes.** In Soc Sci: **Budge, Dillard, Heiberg, Lilienthal, Potter,** Howie **Roberts,** and Mick **Seidl.** In USCC: **Altmeyer, Dalgleish, Dyer, Eggleston, Holmberg,** John **Oliver,** Bob **Oliver, Trinkle, Wetzel,** and Wayne **Williams.** In Admissions: **Egan** and **Fishbourne.** In the Dean's Office: **Reno.** In USMA Sig: **Claassen. Nicholson** is now in the USMA Sec Office.

This grouping has created a malady which gives rise to "The WP Syndrome." Upon seeing a classmate, the mind's eye changes his Army Green uniform back into a sweaty class shirt and rumpled gray trousers. It's a hugely amusing, but somewhat frightening disease. It's a never-ending psychedelic Reorganization Week, with everyone sporting a new (and extremely attractive) roommate. Even the class kids look like the Plebes under the new system (nice, but a little scruffy). Everyone looks about the same; a few scars peep through here and there, but the majority of them are artfully concealed under rolls of fat. With the contractor's permission, people have been scrounging through the ruins of Central and North Areas for goodies. Think of the novelty of it: a marble table fabricated from the partition of the men's room of the old Division. Now that's class! Joe **Fishburne** was hard at work taking tile from the ceiling of the Com's old office when he was brutally attacked by the Ghost of Plebe Christmas Past. He fell off his ladder and hit the floor with a sickening "Throck," breaking his elbow and cutting himself seriously enough to require several stitches. By the time you read this, he hopefully will be bending the elbow once again in true Admissions Dept style.

Jim **Madden** came up to dedicate the MacArthur Memorial, aided by a fistful of generals. Jim goes to Norfolk in Jan., and from there he moves on to the U. of Rochester for a degree in Systems Analysis.

Harry and Barbara **Miller** have moved from Augsburg to Bonn. He's still with the MBT '70 project. George **Fox** is in Media, Pa., with his family. Jim **Tedrick** told us that the supermarket George was managing under the auspices of the Acme managerial tng prog was held up recently. I think it would be nice if George added a military flair to his style of managing and awarded the unlucky cashier and all those who were directly involved a modified CIB, but I suppose a silver price-marking stamp wreathed in watercress might be a little ostentatious.

At Ft. Knox, Terry **Alexander** is with the Engr and Armor Board. Carl Hansen is probably pitching classes to Jim **Struve** at this very moment. Larry **Prather** is with the Army Maint Management Div. Sandy **Walters** is with CDC. Sandy is both a qualified multi-engine pilot and an instructor pilot, while his wife is also a qualified aviator! Bob **Cain** shed his uniform in Aug. and is in Ariz. working with real estate. In late May, Bob **Janoska** stopped dead in his tank tracks, donned his civ clothes, and went off to work for Allison Motors.

Gene **Goodell** is at the Army Chaplains School at Ft. Hamilton, N.Y. Of course all service schools have representatives from other branches, but an Infantryman among the Padres? "Men, I don't want to have to tell you again that 'Onward Christian Soldiers' is not an acceptable command of execution!"

In VN, Sam **Enfield** is a Sector Advisor near Tam Ky, and deals with the 196th, where Bill **Williamson's** little brother Don ('62) saw him. Dave **Brooks** is assigned as an AF navigator at Nha Trang AFB. He recently picked up an M.S. in civ engr from the U. of N.H. Mike **Urette** was awarded a BSM for his work with Hq, MACV, Civil Opns and Revolutionary Development Support. Bob **Hardiman** was also awarded a BSM while commanding the 31st Engr Det, 5th SF Gp. Ted **Stanley** is a civ engr assigned to the 12th TAC Fighter Wing at Cam Ranh Bay. Dick **Skaggs** is an opns o with the 199th Inf Bde near Long Binh. Bob **Eveleth** returned from RVN in mid-Aug. and headed for ROTC in Mo. Arlie **Miller** recently finished 6 weeks at the Civil Affairs School at Ft. Gordon, and is now stationed at Can Tho.

Al and Carin **Vanderbush** are happily ensconced at Ga. Tech. Carin is holding only light workouts at the pool for Carl and baby Bruce, but they're coming along. Jim and Louise **McGinnis**, and Nick and Janie **Vay** are there also. Jim **Blesse** and Glenn **Peters** arrive here in Dec., while Cy **Shearer** and Frank **Gibson** left in June.

Phil **Ringdahl** is a Foreign Service Officer stationed in Morocco with his bride. Bill **Wright,** one of our boys in Blue, is at Tex. A&M working towards a Ph.D. in computer science. Larry **Heikkila** has taken a full-time teaching position at the U. of the Virgin Islands. Phil **Sykes** is at M.I.T. with his family. He saw Ed **Barry** at McGuire last spring. Ed is working with the Manned Orbital Lab Project for the AF and lives in L.A.

For her work in the field of education for the deaf, Jim **Mathison's** wife Lorna was selected for the 1968 ed of "Outstanding Women of America," a major project of the Outstanding Americans Foundation, a non-profit organization which honors and inspires young women who successfully balance a career and civic responsibility with a family life.

While Bruce was in VN, Arlene **Cowan** put together the annual H-1 Newsletter. She thoughtfully sent me a copy through Butch **Robertson. The Cowans** are now at the Adv Course at Belvoir. Mike **Brady** was named as 1 of the top 10 per cent in sales for Conn. Gen Life Insurance. They should be in their new house in Valparaison, Ind. in Dec., when Mike finishes his M.B.A. work at the U. of Chicago. George **Cherry** completed his M.B.A. and is now enrolled in a Ph.D. accounting program at Tulane. He saw Buzz **Randall** who has 1 year to go towards his M.B.A. there. Russ **Cornelius** moved to Houston as a Senior Supply Analyst for Humble Oil. Bob **Kewley** is studying for an M.S. in Aeronautics and Astronautics at Stanford, then back to WP and the Mech Dept. Russ **Phelps** left the Army to work for it as a DA Human Factors Engr at Aberdeen. Jack **Raible** is still teaching in the L.A. School System. Mike **Underwood** is at Ft. Ord. Mike **Xenos** is at Leavenworth after having commanded the Da Nang Sig Bn. Cookie and Nick **Plodinec** are at McGuire AFB, where, sadly, they lost their infant son Nicholas IV born 8 Mar 1968. Our hearts go out to them.

I picked up the "Army Times" to see Mike **Swain** flanked by brothers CPT Oren, CPT Thomas ('66), and CDT Steve ('70) at Ft. Sill. This was their first reunion since 1958! Their father COL (Ret) Oren **Swain** ('36) must have burst with pride at seeing his lion's brood all serving the Colors at the same time.

New Arrivals: The Boys: Edward Stokes IV to Joe and Ginna **Fishburne** (23 June); Jeff Allen to Jay and Linda **Hartford** (15 July); Philip Fitzgerald to Phil and Sharon **Mallory** (14 July); Peter John to Pete and Jenny **Offringa** (11 Aug.); and Phil A. II to Phil and Martha **Sykes** (after 4 girls!) (14 June). The Girls: Allison Ann to Russ and Carolyn **Cornelius** (adopted 15 Apr.); Kristin Ann to Frank and Betty **Egan** (30 June); Ellis Elizabeth to Ralph and Tanny **Garretson** (26 Apr.); Elizabeth Ashley to Hank and Ashley **Rennagel** (19 July); Andrea Lea to Mike and Judy **Underwood** (10 Jan.); and Wendy to Bill and Wendy **Wright** (15 Jan.).

That's it! Hope to hear from you.

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The role of class scribe has been changed to that of an elected (?) member of the '62 Establishment at WP, so in that capacity I propose during my tenure to focus 3 columns on specific groups. In order to achieve the desired effect, you must respond by the deadline date. I will devote my 2d issue to a breakdown by cadet company. If your name appears, it will be listed under A-1, B-1, etc. Likewise, you should respond with information concerning individuals by company. The 3d issue will be by current branch; the 4th issue by current assignment. Take note of these deadline dates so you can assist in a more interesting column: Cadet Company Issue—deadline: 10 Mar. 1970; Branch Issue—deadline: 10 June 1970; Assignment Issue—deadline: 10 Sept. 1970.

One important note about the Educational Fund—the address for the fund is: P.O. Box 53, West Point, 10996. Please send any donations or queries to this address rather than to Bob Martin.

At our first gathering of the year the fol-

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lowing new officers were elected: president, George **Kirschenbauer**; vice-president, Pat **Canary**; secretary, Frank **Miller**; treasurer, Jim **Kays**; and social chairman, Bob **Reid**. Congratulations to this new slate; may they lead us from success to success, or something like that. This first get-together was held at Smith Rink since rain appeared imminent; it was supposed to have been held at Bill **Kosco's** mountainside castle. In any case, the food was good, the beer plentiful, and the crowd congenial. Our next social event is scheduled for the Plätzl Bräuhaus after the Homecoming Game. We hope that many far-flung classmates will be there.

Ron **Brown**, Harry **Hagerty**, and Jim **Kimsey** were up a few weeks ago promoting a business venture. They hosted a grand happy hour in the Thayer Hotel—firewater and "stories," however, forced business into the background. Marsh **Johnson** was up for the N.Mex. game. He was back from VN for a 30-day leave. Larry **Crane** has moved back near WP, and hopes to make it up for some ball games. He is now a stockbroker at the Dean Witter Office in the Fashion Center, Ridgewood, N.J. Larry **Waters** is also a broker. He's with Wheat and Co. in Norfolk, Va. He and Jane have the welcome mat out in Virginia Beach. Larry **Smith** is a stockbroker in Bache and Co.'s Frankfurt Office. Paul **Dobbins** is a broker with F.S. Mosely and Co. in Boston. Earlier this year Paul saw Bart **Corbett**, our classmate who was paralyzed in the first obstacle course. Bart is living in Beverly, Mass., while working on a doctorate at Boston U. He would like to hear from any member of the Class in that vicinity.

The Class still has many members in grad school. Jerry **Rose** is working on an M.S. in Computer Science at Purdue. Jim **Peterson** is an M.A. candidate in Eng at U. of Pa. Lee **Pardi** is a med student in the Medical Corps Program at the U. of Miami. Lee expects to graduate in 1972. Jim **Strohmeyer** attends med school at Miami as a civ and will graduate in '71. Joe **Sayers** is another of our prospective doctors. He's in the U. of Louisville School of Medicine.

The Class also has a number of law students. Jim **Spurlock** is at the Willamette U. College of Law in Salem, Ore. Bill **Evans** will graduate in Dec. of this year from the law school of the U. of Fla. Bill currently ranks No. 2 in his class. Bob **Bauman** graduated from the U. of Wis. Law School this past June; Bob received the honor of being elected to the Order of the Coif, the national honor fraternity for law students. Dan **Denison** is a member of the class of '70 at the Harvard Law School, and Don **Denton** should graduate in the same subject at the same time from Cornell. Bob **DeVries** is in the G.W. U. Law School in Wash.

We still have quite a crowd of people at RPI: Dave **Mundt** is in chemistry; Dick **Helmuth**, Sam **Wasaff**, and Glen **Blumhardt** are in math. All will be coming up here a year hence. Stan and Earle **Whitmore** will be coming back to the Rock, also; Stan is a geography student at Syracuse and will teach in ES&GS in a couple of years. Charlie **Merriam** will receive an M.S.E. from the U. of Mich. in June of '70 and will then come to the Ord Dept, joining Joe **Petrolino**. Ed **Hamilton** has gotten into the pipeline to come to the Russian Sec of the For Lang Dept. He will attend school at Monterey and the U. of Pa. prior to joining his Dept in Aug. '71.

Don **Karrer** has graduated from the U. of Pitt. with degrees in C.E. and Public Works Administration. Don thought that he might be going back to VN to apply this hard-won knowledge, but he wasn't sure. Erv **Kamm** has been assigned to Ga. Tech, with the mission of getting a degree in, would you believe, ceramic engineering? He will be assigned to DA(SENSO) after completing this schooling with the assignment of monitoring the Safeguard ABM warhead design. Buzz **Kreisel** is in the South Asia Area Study program at the U. of Minn.

He has already completed his year's study of Hindi-Urdu, and expects to be assigned to India following his graduation from the U. of Minn. Rich **Carlson** is studying Opns Research at Stanford. He hopes to be through in June '70, with an assignment in the Math Dept to follow. Terry **Murphy** is also studying on the West Coast; he's in the grad engineering program at UCLA. Two more classmates are in business school, or will be there soon. Glen and Beth **Chadbourne** are at Dartmouth, where Glen is shooting for an M.B.A. Glen wants to hear from some B-2 files. John **Jones** left the Army in Aug., and will be going to business school, but we haven't heard where.

Many of our number are still in VN, many for 2d tours. Tom **Simcox** is with Adv Tm 20 in Bac Lieu. George **Sweet** commands the 25th MI Detachment and writes that Fred **LaRoque**, Wayne **Downing**, and Butch **Darrell** are also in the 25th Div. Denny **Reimer** was with the 9th Div, but has probably been reassigned. Jim **Malley** is Bn XO of the 2d Bn 8th Cav of the 1st Cav Div. Roger **Lee** also holds a Bn XO job; he is with the 4/31 Inf in the 196th Bde. Rog **Franke** was with the 9th Div Arty in Dong Tam, until early Aug., but hoped to be headed for grad school. Frank **Fiore** has just headed to VN, after having been a sig advisor in Bogota, Colombia. Art **Brown** is S3 of the 15th Engr Bn. Keith **Adams** is flying with the 34th Gen Spt Gp.

Mike **Godshall** is in Nha Trang as the Base Development Officer of the 17th Avn Gp. He writes that Ernie **Webb** is in Nha Trang as ADC to the I FF CG. Gene **Tomlinson** is Finance Officer of the 1st Bde, 5th Mech Div; Jim **Weiss** is S3 of the 2/17 Arty in An Khe. Ed **Sprague** will be returning to VN shortly; that's quite a change from an accompanied tour in Greece.

Two more classmates are in Thailand: Ron **Chisholm** is the Ammo Supply Advisor to the Royal Thai Army and Marv **Norwood** is with JUSMAG in Bangkok. Bob **Szymczak** is also in the eastern half of the world, but not quite as far in that direction as those listed above. Bob is Test Officer for the Safeguard System Evaluation Agency, on Kwajalein Island in the Marshall Chain.

We've heard from a few classmates at stateside posts. Bill **Scherr** is an ROTC instructor at Dartmouth. Mick and Linda **Rosenberg** are at Ft. Richardson, Alaska. Mick is S3 of the 1/37 Arty. Lee **Taylor** is at Minot AFB, N.Dak. He returned earlier in the year from his 2d TDY tour in SEA flying B-52s. Lee and Angie have 3 little girls. Gordon **Rohn** is JAG at Ft. Wainwright. Jack and Susie **Reavill** are at Ft. Monroe, Va., where Jack is in the office of the IG. Rudy **Kohler** is going to language school in D.C. under the auspices of the FAST program. Jerry **Janicke** is Project Dir, Broad Ocean Scoring Systems for the AF Western Test Range. He, Diane, and daughter Teresa live at Vandenberg AFB, Calif. Harry **Fraser** and Hap **Boyd** are in the IOAC at Ft. Benning, with Harry graduating in Dec. of this year, and Hap getting out in Mar. of next year. Dave **Minson** is at Rucker, having just returned from VN in Aug.

Dave **Symanski** is a Marketing-Stock Transfer Agent with First National City Bank in NYC. Mike **Currin** is an engr with Chrysler Corp. in Detroit. He's also working on his masters in ME. Bob **Rintz** has recently left the Army, and is searching for his fortune in Philadelphia. Bill **Petty** is an instructor in EE at the U. of Ill. Bill is also working on his Ph.D., which he expects to get in June '70. Ray **Pendleton** has recently hung it up, and has joined Pendleton Detectives, Inc. in New Orleans.

Ron **Henderson** is an AEC Fellow and Teaching Associate at Ohio State; he hopes to get his Ph.D. in nuclear engineering. Ricardo **Cesped** is a senior engr with Kaiser Engineers in Oakland, Calif. He and Sandy have a 2-year-old son David, a "gringuito," according to Rick. Joel **Froeschle** is an engr with the Trane Co down in Jersey. Joel is extremely enthusiastic about his job.

You know, it's really intriguing to see the variety of things that classmates are doing. If you hear about a member of '62 doing something new, let me know. Don't forget the deadlines.

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The Class was saddened by news of the death in VN of Jim **Dawson**, a tremendous friend, soldier, husband, and father. Jim's widow Pris and her 2 sons Bill and Lee are living in Beacon, N.Y. Jim was honored in a memorial service at WP in the Old Cadet Chapel on 9 Aug. 1969. Jim's passing is a source of deep sorrow, and he will be sorely missed by all of us.

The leaves are just beginning to turn their various colors up here on the Hudson—a reminder of the season. The football stadium has been expanded to seat in excess of 40,000 people—but some 5,000 or more seats remain to be finished with less than a week until the 1st game. You should see the Engrs around here! Not to mention the MPs, who are wondering what the Post is going to look like with cars parked on top of each other on Thayer Road.

Ollie **Earnest** dropped a line from VN; he's CO of HHC, 145th Avn Bn in Bien Hoa. He says Mary Ann gave birth to their 1st child on 2 July 69, a son Benjamin Lee. Also in VN is Ned V.C. Banks Jr. Ned, as you recall, was in our Class for part of Plebe year, but was caught by the Academic Board pretty soon there along the line. Ned's a MAJ now with a DOR of May '68. He summarizes: Ft. Chaffee in '64, Ft. Rucker, Vung Tau, RVN, '65, Ft. Rucker '67, RVN again, and now in Taiwan with his wife Carol. Ned says he has 4,000 flying hours, with 1,000 of them combat! Good to hear from you, Ned.

That's it for VN. If the amount of news I got from over there is proportional to our delegation, then we are all somewhere else. Tom **Casey**, lean and mean, was up here at WP for the ROTC Mil Hist Workshop over the summer. He and Martha are in Palo Alto, where Tom is at Stanford with the ROTC people. Tom's hair is not as long as Timothy Leary's yet—but not as short as it was, either! Al Scott is out in Urbana, Ill., where he is, and I quote, ". . . quite relieved to have part of this 'higher?' education behind me Got 3 'A's and 1 'B' . . ." Good going, Al. Sara Lynn and Bonnie Jean are growing fast, and

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1963· Ft. Knox, Ky., Aug. 1969—seated from left to right, Jeannie Natvig, Nancy Silvey, Julie Scheidig, Charlie Fuller, Carol Ischinger and Bonnie Schmidt. Standing from left to right, Bill Lutz, Carolyn Lutz, Betsy Witt, Bill Witt, Joann Ebert, Miles Ebert, Luke Woods, Mike Natvig, Jack Silvey, Suzy Chase, Jack Chase, Bob Scheidig, Trina Ingram, Lionel Ingram, Don Fuller, Marty Ischinger, Art Drury and Chuck Schmidt. Not shown but also there: Paul and Joan Sutton, Norm Beatty, Bill and Marcia Little, Denny and Barbara Demchuck and Pete Sawin and his wife.

Lynn is as busy as ever. The **Trucksas**, Bob and Cynthia, are at the U. of Ill. also; Bob is studying Veterinary Med, finishing in June 1970. Al says Tom and Betty **Russell** are in Las Cruces, N.Mex., where Betty has just given birth to Robin Marie, 13 May. Total now 2 girls and a boy. Congratulations!

Just after the last deadline I got a long letter from Suzie **Coulson.** She and Bob were living in Little Creek, Va., where Bob was on duty with the Navy in their COMMO set up. Their 1st son Scott Alexander was born on 4 Aug. 1968 in Portsmouth, and was christened on board the amphibious command ship "Taconic." He'll probably go to Annapolis! Bob is now in VN with MACV. Suzie says Dottie **Arbogast** gave birth to Annette Marie on 29 July 1968. Gordie is at Georgia Tech working on his EE Masters. Jack and Vi **O'Donnell** are at Ft. Sill. Jack wrote Suzie to say that Dick and Joan **Higgins** are there as well, looking after their new twin boys! Jim and Carolyn **O'Connor** are in Germany with little James and Mary. Bill and Adele **Cooke** are in the CZ with their 2 little girls. Mike **Miller** took off to Denver where he and Judy are broking stocks. Suzie, thanks for all the news. Suzie says she is in Morristown, N.J., and asks that anyone coming through, shout!

The replies from the constitution mailing have included in some cases some notes, so I have quite a bit of news from this source. Harold **Nelson** wrote from the U. of Mich., where he is approaching his Ph.D. in Hist, that he will be there until June '70. He says that Dave **Jackson** and Dave **Sallee** are both out there, and he has heard from Don **Griffin** and Jim **Armogida.** Don is on his way to Ft. Lewis, and Jim is at Ft. Polk. (Nice place, Jim.) Paul and Kay **Hable** are now in Corsicana, Tex., according to the word. Paul finished at Texas A&M. Incidentally, Jim **Hannigan's** dad is the Dean at A&M, and will be up here for the Homecoming Game. Jim's been here with the Computer business, as you know. Quite a long letter from Lou **Sturbois** who is with Bambi at Ind. working on his graduate degree. He has seen a few folks: Marty **Ischinger,** who is now at RPI working on a math degree, said he and Carol have adopted a young son, Douglas. Marty came by here recently on his way to Troy. Lou says Tom **Carney** is at the Naval Post Graduate School, which is right, because I got a letter from Tom today; he's working on his Opns Rsh/Sys Analysis degree and will finish in June 1971. Tom says Pete **Bentson,** Steve **Silvasy,** Jack **Riceman,** Garry **Hall,** and George **Moses** are all there as well, and Lynn **Cook** is at Ft. Ord. Lou mentions having seen Rich and Sue **Goldsmith** over a weekend in May. Rich is back in RVN for #2, and Sue is settled in Laramie, Wyo., with young Amy and Rob. Rich commanded C Trp of the 6th Cav at Meade, the same unit his dad commanded years ago in Germany. Joe **Galle** is in RVN again, and Lou says he recently saw Pat and Joe at Knox. Andy **Gothreau** is also at Ind. U., but Lou says he hasn't seen him yet. Lou is studying Eng Lit and will be at WP in Aug. '70 to teach it.

More news: Dale **Means** wrote from Ariz. State, where he is working on an M.S. in Indust Engr (May '70), to give a whole lot of stuff; Jeff and Lorie **Davis,** in Tenn., just had a boy on 5 Aug. Congrats! Ralph and Virginia **Mitchell** are at Sill. Don **Smith** married Karen Osborne at Ft. Sill on 31 May 69 and left for RVN (#2) in Aug. Dale says he doesn't know where Glenn **Smith** is, but I do. He's at WP in ES&GS teaching "squint and print" and running around like all us bachelors do. Glenn got here this past summer, Dale. Bill **Stryker** is in Thailand; Ellie and the boys are settled in Holland, Mich. Fred and Pat **Schaum** are in Mich., where Fred is taking his M.B.A. at the U. (June '70). Steve and Gayle **Stahl** in South Bend, Bill and Mindy **Stennis** in San Jose, and George **Bentz** in Reading are all out of the Green now and being civilians. Thanks, Dale.

I received a letter from Lee and Mike **Patten** in Atlanta. Mike says all is well and Stephen 5, Susan 3, and Barbara 1 (Nov.) are doing great. Mike is at Tech in ME (June '70), but says he hopes he doesn't have to teach "squint and print" here next year. (See that, Glenn?) Also at Tech are Jerry **Harrison,** Bob **Bruce** (on way to RVN), and Mike says that Bert **Westbrook** is over in the ROTC detachment. Mike asks about housing here, a question frequently raised. It is bad. Quarters are in short supply and go to senior folks. The Class of 1962 is just getting on post now. Stoney Lonesome, the new housing area above Michie Stadium, should help to alleviate this problem, but the expansion of the Corps is not finished yet, nor the concurrent expansion of the faculty. So some of the advantages are offset by the increase. Off post, it is not good. It's very difficult to find a place and requires some searching and some waiting—so one must be possessed of patience. All in all, I'm sorry, but the picture is not framed in roses. Mike says to ask F-2 people to say hello to him. Thanks, Mike.

A long newsletter from Company M1 arrived from their company scribe Allen **Clark** which I'll summarize: Billy and Grace **Baucum** are in RVN and La. respectively. Steve **Best** has finished the IBM marketing course in Jackson, Miss. Noel **Brown** is leaving the Service in May 1970 and entering the Navigators, a non-denominational group in the ministry field. Kristen 5 and Drew 2 are fine. Al **Chapman** is at UCLA studying structural dynamics and living in Thousand Oaks out in the valley. (Al, if you see Dr. Herrick in your area there, say hi for Ed **Tezak** and me.) Bill and Carol **Coomer** are in Tucson at the U. of Ariz. Jim **Dickey** is at Yale in International Relations (June '71). John **Dunn** is in RVN now, but I don't know where Joan is. Ed and Dee **Greybeck** and the boys are at Ft. Bliss. Charlie **Nahlik** is at Rach Gia, RVN, and Carole in Mo. Mary and Kenny **O'Sullivan** are in Taiwan and invite folks to see 'em there. Dick **Walsh** is in RVN still, while Raye and Rich are at home in Smyrna, Ga. Woody **Wood** and Kit are back at Benning at the Car Course, Woody having just returned from his 2d tour in RVN. Kids are Suzie 4½, Bobby 3½, and Beth 1½. By now add a ½ to all those halves! Thanks for the poop, Allen. Keep it coming.

Ed **Lee** was by here at WP in July and said he was on his way to the Lawrence Radiation Labs in Livermore, Calif. I suppose he and Linda are there by now. Ed looks good—he had just returned from RVN. Russ **Simonetta** wrote Mike **Allen** from Niagara U. (up there where the CE dried up the falls) to say he just returned from being the Asst Military Attaché in Laos and is now with the ROTC program, along with Don **Armstrong** and Johnny **Wyrwas.** Tim **Young** has finished a year's work in Chem at John Hopkins (June '70). Sandy **White** writes from Denver where he is clerking for the summer with Holland and Hart (Lawyers). Mary D. continues closer to her Ph.D. at Cornell. Sandy says Bob **Vogel** is at Cornell working in Eng (June '70). Sandy says civ life is great!

I recently asked Paul **Stanley** to summarize for me the activities of our Class in the ministry. It is an enviable record and sets '63 up with still another distinction. Paul qualified the following by saying these are the ones with "full-time" occupations: Curry **Vaughan,** Chap, USA, in RVN; Denny **Prutow,** Chap, USA, in RVN; Banks **Hudson,** Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, President of Student Body, will join the Army Chaplaincy. Tim **Brownback,** last year at Talbot Seminary in L.A., Calif., President of Student Body stands #1 in his class, and will become Associate Dean of Word of Life Bible Institute in Schroon Lake, N.Y. Colin **Kelly** is studying theology in Philadelphia and will be coming back into the Army as a Chaplain. Kenny **Graham** is now with the Navigators, the organization I mentioned earlier in connection with Noel **Brown.** I want to add that Paul will be leaving the Army in the future, as well. He and Phyllis are joining the Navigators along with Kenny and Noel. Our best to all of you. Keep up the good work! I had a very nice note from Beth **Hudson** with the following:

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1963: The Class of 1963 at Ft. Sill, Fall 1968.

she says she heard Barbie and Brad **Jones** are in Newport News while Brad goes to the William and Mary Law School. Beth enclosed a wonderful picture of her children, and they are really cute kids, Asiah (5) and Butch (2). Beth, I want to put the photo in the ASSEMBLY, but won't because I'm a bit afraid of the precedent. I will save the picture, though, for our 10-year book! Everyone start thinking about one; give me your ideas. By a sort of circuitous routing, I have the word that Steve **Bucheim** will leave the Service in Oct. Good luck, Steve, and let us hear from you.

Here at WP: new additions now on board include the **Ingrams,** Lionel with Soc Sci; the **Foleys,** Bob with the Tac Dept. as a Co TAC and just married to the lovely Julie Languasco on 27 Sept.—more on that in next issue; the **Willsons,** Danny with the TD as well; the **Cardiles,** Frank with Mech; the **Carnses,** Ed with Admissions; and the **Sloanes,** Bob with OPE. Our grand total now here is 22. Ed **Banks** has left the Service and returned to his home state of Calif. We were sorry to see him go. He will be working with Ron **Melanson** out there. Pat and Juanita **Tate** have announced the birth of Jennifer Lynn and James David on 8 Aug. 1969. Twins! Pat was no more surprised than Juanita. Ed and Marty **Tezak** have a new addition Edward Scott born 10 Sept. and weighing in at 7 lbs. 4 oz., 19½". Edward Scott was born on their 3d anniversary. Quite a present.

Hank **Morris** provided me with some good info: Chris **Wangsgard** and Ann are out of the Service and now in school again. Chris has a full scholarship to the U. of Utah Law School. Bill **Clark** is out of the Service and has finished his 1st year of Law School at the U. of Ala. Dan **Embree** is working on his Ph.D. in lit at Berkeley, and is there together with Joan and Nick, their little boy. Karl **Beach** extended for 3 months in RVN to take the job as R&R officer in Sydney, Australia. He lives in a place called Wooloomooloo. Can you credit that? Thanks, Hank. Incidentally, Hank has a very lovely sister Annette whom I had the pleasure of seeing recently. She is studying to be a nurse in Richmond, Va.

A note from Tom **Solenberger** at Youngstown State U., where Tom is teaching ROTC. He says Jim **Nelander** was there, but has resigned and is working with Proctor and Gamble in Cincinnati. How about a note, Jim? Renate, Tom's wife, gave birth to their 2d daughter on 3 Aug.; she is called Michelle Renate. The best to you both.

Now—some social news. The event of the summer season in Wash., I guess, was Dewey **LaFond's** marriage to the lovely Joanie Covington at Ft. Myer on 9 Aug. I just happened to be there, and wandered around with pen in hand as appropriate for a Scribe. Ushered by Bob **Foley** and me (Mutt and Jeff!) from the '63 contingent, the wedding started at Ft. Myer on a clear, lovely day, and after Joanie and Dewey got in the carriage outside and went off into the post somewhere, we all trooped down to Cameron to the "O" Club for a fine reception. Karin and Rodger **Bivens,** Steve **Popielarski,** Janet and Jay **McClatchey,** Curt **Esposito,** Frank **Hall,** Bonnie and Al **Genetti,** and Jim **Caywood** were all there. Jim has since gone to Boston and Steve to VN. Curt was up from Duke, Rodg and Karin down from Wharton. It was a great wedding.

Now, up in Conn., as I read in the social section of the New York "Times," is the wedding of Joan Boucher and Lou **Sill.** Datelined Darien, Conn., 22 Aug., the article talks of Lou and Joan—Lou is a portfolio analyst with White, Weld, and Co., a N.Y. investment banking firm. Lou is mentioned as having found in N.Y. a chance to "see the other side of things" and thus changing his career plans. Joan and Lou honeymooned in Jamaica and are now living in NYC. At the wedding were Jerry **Stonehouse,** JoAnn and Jim **Doherty,** and Kay and Mike **Keaveney.**

A note from Wally **Speed.** He and Jan are in Atlanta where Wally is studying law at Emory. He asks that anyone going through Atlanta look them up at 5735 Roswell Road in Northeast Atlanta, 252-9936. From the AOG are several photos and some poop: Don **Siebenaler** finished studying Thai in Wash., and is presumably now in Thailand. Is that right, Don? Don **Fuller** is getting the ACM at Ft. Rucker in the picture with this article; his last assignment was with the 74th Recon Airplane Co in RVN. Iris Lee is there at Rucker with Don. Pete **Hall** wrote the AOG from Calif. to say he is married to Ann Hodge of Ojai, Calif., and has 1 daughter Aimee Bond born on Fri. the 13th of Dec. 1968! Pete is studying at Berkeley and is out of the Army. Ray **Nickla** has been reassigned to Hulburt Field, Fla., from Nha Trang, RVN. Norm **Beatty** is a happy bachelor at the U. of Ala. Study hard, Norm!

From Ft. Knox and the faithful pen of Bob **Scheidig** comes the following: at Jack **Silvey's** place was a party recently. I think the purpose of the party was to get that picture! It's pretty good. Hope it shows up OK in the article. Lionel is here at WP now, and Marty **Ischinger** is at RPI, as mentioned. Denny **Demchuk** is en route to medical school and out of the Service. Joe **Almaguer** is leaving the Service to study dentistry in Calif. Ward **Lutz** is at Benning according to Joe. Bob says he is headed for Monterey soon to study Opns Research. He says Wendy **Gideon** is married and in school (law) in Columbus, Mo., headed for the JAG. Thanks for all the words, Bob. Our best to you and Julie out in Calif. Study hard!

Bob **Handcox** stopped by here the other day to say hello. He and Marilyn are in Alexandria where Bob is working for the Exec for Army Avn, OPD. He says he enjoys the work very much. I have heard from Duane **Myers** a couple of times. He and Bev and their children are in civil school at Ind. Duane is studying math and will be here in June '71. Max and Pam **Barron** are there as well, where Max is studying Engr Sci (June '70). He will join the Phys Dept here. The **Barrons** include Elise 4½, Christina 1½, and little Max II, less than 1. Duane says Jack **Oberhill,** who was with '63 in D-1 for 1½ years, is there in Woodbridge, Ill., where he is married to his high school sweetheart, Judy. They have 2 boys: Erik 3 and Karl 1. Max **Barron** says he saw Tom **Forsythe** and his wife recently. Tom is in ROTC in Ind. Thanks for the letters, Duane and Max. Art **Meier** wrote recently from Ft. Sill, where he is in the Car Course. He says he and Amy are expecting

1963: Don Fuller gets the ACM.

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their 1st child in Nov. Wayne **Morehead** and **Armando Lujan** are there as well. Art saw Ken and Sally Wall last Apr. before they left. They are now at M.I.T. Thanks, Art. A note from Al **Marrow** who is in Tallahassee, Fla., along with Vi and their twins Beth and Rachel. Al is going to teach in 1970, when he finished his degree. Still in Fla., Al asks that folks in Tallahassee ring him and Vi up and say hello.

Just in this morning from Harriet **St Amant** is a note saying Phil is in RVN commanding Btry A, 2/320th, 101st Abn Div. She says she will see Phil in Hi. in Oct. Harriet saw Ralph and Virginia **Mitchell** at Ft. Sill, and they are now at Ft. Bragg with their daughter Melissa. Steve, Gayle, and Suzanne **Stahl** are in Miami now where Steve is working for Conn Mutual Life Ins Co. Phil **St Amant** III is in kindergarten, and Renée is still at home pestering Harriet, she says. Thanks for your note, Harriet. Say hi to Phil.

Now the last minute additions: Gordie **Arbogast** from Georgia Tech says: Dottie, Annette, and he are enjoying Atlanta. He mentions Bob **Bruce**, Jerry **Harrison**, and Mike **Patten** of whom I have already spoken. Thanks, Gordie. Gary **Klauminzer**, out of the Service, is finishing up his Ph.D. in physics at Stanford now. He and Ellie, dreaming of a girl still, have little Guy 3½ and Scott 2. Gary, tell your friend with the reserve commission to get in touch with the Physics Dept here. They might want him. Thanks for the note.

One note this afternoon from Pete **Bentson** out at USNPG School. He says to Beat Navy because those guys out there are surrounded by the Swabbies. From Harvard, Al **Shine** says he's working on a Hist degree. Thanks for the notes!

On the constitution: the responses are coming in fast and there have been some helpful comments. Jack **Wilson**, in Calif., mentions Article II which speaks of entry in July 1959 and it's therefore excluding those who started in the Class of '62. This was NOT meant to be, and will be fixed. Thanks, Jack. One last item: in mailing out the constitution, there were several addresses the AOG did not have. Please let them know where you are: **Sallee, George, Griffin, Westbrook** (at Tech), **Stennis, Graham, Lang, Ahern, Vote, Holterman, Winters, Emerick, Dwyer, Goth, Davidson, Allen, Kosevich, Smith, Rog, Scherrer, Grogan, Coleman, Witt, Marchand, Caldwell, Mosier.** Thanks for your help! See you in the spring.

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Once again I am burning the midnight oil in order to get the Class column to the ASSEMBLY editors before the deadline date. This will be my last effort from the land of Germany because Dixie, Mike, and I fly out of Rhein-Main AFB tomorrow (5 Sept.) for the good old USA. I have been away almost 3 years, so it will be good to get home for an extended stay. As you can see by my address, we are heading for the sand fleas, scrub oak, and slash pine—Ft. Benning, Ga. There, we become members of the Inf car course starting 19 Oct. 69. Naturally, while on leave, we will be taking part in the Class Reunion (3-5 Oct.) at WP. Hope to see many of you there!

The only classmates I know who are still in Germany are Pete and Carol **Shaughnessey**, Ron **Odom**, Gene **Markowski**, Bill **Beck**, John **Mulvaney**, Denny **O'Connor**, and Bob and Carol **Tetu**. Carol has written several times and passed on some good poop. Last May, she and Bob added a daughter Stephanie Renee to the family. Mike, their young son, was 4 in Aug. Bob is flying for the Army Engr Command out of Rhein-Main AFB. Carol reports that Bob went to Scotland last fall for a week's golfing at St. Andrews and is planning another trip this year. She also passed on that Ron **Williamson** begins the Car Course at Ft. Sill in Nov.; Larry **Brewer** begins the Inf Car Course in Jan; and Tom and Gloria **Faulds** are expecting their 2d child in Nov. Tom is presently at Pleiku, RVN, with the 4th Inf Div.

1964: I-1 party, Ft. Benning, Ga., May 1969. From left to right: Charlie and Chris Macchiaroli with son John; Al and Joanie Carver with son Allen; Dan and Cynthia Evans with Susan and Dannie (Kenneth George born June 1969); Dick and Sue Dexter with daughter Ellen; Hal and Barbara Winton with sons Ricky and Doug.

1964: Cliff Goff receives the BSM for meritorious service while serving as an assistant staff engineer in the 31st Engr Det, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces near Nha Trang.

Also, Mike **Bowers** got out in Aug. to return to school at Wharton for a B.A. Mike **Conway** is doing the same and heading for Harvard or Columbia. Charlie **Brown** is with Northwest Airlines; Bob **Ames** returned to RVN in Sept.; and Ed **Brinkman** is presently at Ft. Sill (car course) and then will return to RVN. Thanks for the info, Carol. The girls have really been doing a fine job keeping me informed of the men's activities.

Barry **McCaffrey** wrote from Walter Reed, where he is recovering from wounds received with the 1st Cav last Mar. He says he will be attending American U. in D.C. for the next few years. Per **Madsen** is a fellow patient at Walter Reed. Barry reports Bob and CoCo **Young** at Ft. Holabird, Md., in the MI Car Course; and Dave **Binney**, a general's aide at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. He and Jill also saw Fred and Julie **Coleman**, Dick and Linda **McAdams**, and Al **Carver** in the Wash. area this past summer. Fred is flying VIP's out of Ft. Belvoir; Dick is heading for RVN; and Al is looking towards a law degree from the U. of Va.

Sig and Linda **Weiner** are at Bergstrom AFB, Austin, Tex. Sig went to the U. of Tex. School of Law and graduated with honors in June 68. It appears he might be the 1st lawyer of the Class. He reports John **Kyle** out of the Service and going to law school. Also, John **Tate** will enter law school upon his return from SEA in Sept.

Bruce **Sinclair** wrote from Ft. Knox and did an outstanding job of bringing me up to date on the tanker types. Bruce finished the car course in June and is heading for USC and a master's in either mech or aerospace engr. Then, he will become a Professor of Astronomy at WP. As Bruce says, "Twinkle, twinkle little star, how I wonder where the (censored) you are . . . and all that good stuff." When Bruce steps up on that platform, the US is liable to lose its leadership in space.

Here is some info he gave me: Seavy **Bain** is a general's aide, KMAG, Korea; Mike

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1964: Gordon Rhoades receives the JSCM for meritorious service while serving in the AG's Sect of Hqs, USARV, 16 May 1969.

Prothero is at Rutgers U.; Arnie **Gaylor** is at USATC, Ft. Knox, as is Pete **Schmeelk**; Mike **McKinley** is at U. of Ala.; George **Fisher** is going to the Naval Post Grad School; Denny **Gillem** to U. of Tex.; Bud **Henry** to U. of Ala.; J.B. **Holeman** and Dave **Roesler** to Ga. Tech; Bill **Landgraf** to U. of Ala.; Barry **Roller** to Syracuse U.; Don **Shive** to Ohio State; Ray **Spinosa** to the Naval Post Grad School; and Bob **Weathers** to RVN. All the guys just mentioned were in car course #2. Tony **Trifilette**, Stan **Fracker**, and Bill **Connor** are in car course #4. Bruce also says Pete **Meyer** is out now and wheeling and dealing in the stock market. Also, Milt **Brokaw** and his wife Eileen are at Knox for the car course as is Dave **Baratto**. Bruce went to the Indy 500 and saw Howie **Wilson** and Russ **Pells** there. He concluded his letter to me saying he still was waiting for the Army to issue him a wife, one each.

Dave **Ramsay** wrote from Laredo, Tex., where he has been with the AF tng command as an instructor. He is heading for SEA to fly F-4's. He and wife Liz have a 3-month-old daughter named Nicole. He also reports that Jon **Little** and his wife Jane are stationed nearby and have a 4-month-old daughter named Jennifer Lynn.

Frank and Betty **Lambert** are at the U. of Ill. for a master's and then go to the Admissions Office at USMA. Frank said he was very surprised at getting to go to grad school. His comment was "I guess goats never die; they just go to grad school." He says Ged **Brown**, Marty **Michlik**, Brink **Miller**, and Mike **Goff** are there, too.

Received a nice letter from Doug and Sandi **Bennett**. Doug is teaching at Ft. Eustis and enjoying married life like the rest of us. Doug says Jim **Stapleton** is in the Inf car course now and has an apt. known as the "den of iniquity." Jim **Gantsoudes** is still at Ft. Gordon and leaves the Service this fall to go to Harvard Bus School. Mark **Galton** is doing the same. Dave **Wade** and Carl **Dye** recently completed the TC car course at Ft. Eustis.

John and Betsy **Lang** had a baby girl not long ago named Christen Elizabeth and George **Egner** is at Ft. Dix and plans on leaving the Service this fall. Bill **Straub** is headed for Stanford Bus School and Dave **Corbett** is at CONARC Protocol Office, Ft. Monroe. Doug said Dave would be leaving for RVN soon. Finally, Doug wrote that he had obtained his private pilot's license and was going for his commercial and instrument flying ticket. He said Jim **Gantsoudes** had his private pilot's license, too. When those 2 guys hit the airways, the FAA will have to put out "severe weather warnings."

I haven't heard from Jim "the master" **Jinks** lately, but Donnie informs me that they are headed for an ROTC assignment at LSU. I enjoy quoting from Jim's letters; maybe next time I will have some "thoughts" from his pen. While at LSU, Jim hopes to pick up his master's.

John **Clark** writes from St. Louis that he and Nancy are enjoying civ life. John is working in the personnel dept of the Monsanto Co. His last assignment was at Ent AFB where he was aide for MG **Shoemaker** (Roy's father) who is DCG for ARADCOM. Roy, incidently left the service in Aug. and is going to grad school at the U. of Ind.

Al and Judi **Russo** report from Savannah, Ga., that they have added a son named Michael Alan to the family—born 18 Mar. That makes a boy and a girl now. Al is working at Hunter AAF in DOI. He returned from RVN in June 68 and went to the rotary wing Q course before arriving at Hunter. He adds that Walt and Ginny **Davis** are also in that locale, as are Seth and Joy **Hudgins**. Walt is the protocol officer for the Hunter-Stewart area, and Seth is transitioning to flying wings. Other poop included in Al and Judi's letter was: Al, Joan, and little

1964: John Tate received the Vietnamese Armed Forces Honor Medal First Class near Da Nang, 27 June 1969, for his service advising the ARVN troop in I Corps.

Al **Carver** are at Benning; Rich, Carolyn, Richie, and Denise **Davis** are at Rucker; Dave and Carol **Latimer** are at Rucker; Dennis, Annette, and Traci **O'Connor** are in Germany; J.P., Mary, and Patrick **Ryan** are at Dix; and Jerry **Werner** is located at Pacific Grove, Calif.

Bill and Marge **Jackman** dropped a note saying they are at Ft. Knox for the car course. They have 2 boys, Chris and Steven, and no. 3 is expected in Jan. They report Barry and Bridget **Hartman** are slated for ROTC duty at the U. of Ind. this fall.

From Aberdeen Proving Ground comes a nice letter from Kathie **Bramlette**. Larry completed the car course in Mar. and is headed for the U. of Pitt. in Sept. for his M.S. in mech engr. After that, he goes to WP as an instructor. They are expecting their 1st child in Sept. Kathie said that Sam, Sandy, and Rick **Burney** are at Georgia Tech for a master's in Operations Research; Gary, Peggy, Meg, and Gary III **Cecchine** are at the U. of Pitt. and will go to the Ord Dept at WP when finished; Hugh, Sandy, Hugh IV, and Timmy **Boyd** just completed grad school at Princeton and are assigned to an engr project originating in San Antonio, Tex.; Dave and Linda **Binney** are headed for civ life in Dec.; and Hal **Hatfield** and family are doing the same.

Hal **Winton** wrote a long letter with news of the Inf types. He completed the car course in June and is assigned to the 101st Abn (airmobile). Hal's family is staying in San Antonio until his return next July. Here is the condensed version of Hal's poop: Dick **Dexter** to USARV; Nick **Nichols** to MACV; Mike **Wikan** to U. of Mich.; Dan **Evans** and Bob **Ames** are Arty types in IOAC 3-69; John **Nischwitz**, Chuck **Jackson**, Wayne **Wheeler**, Herb **Macia**, Jim **Adams**, Don **Reh**, Waldo **Freeman**, John **Arrington**, Nick **Nahas**, and Tony **Hartle** are all in various car course classes. He also reports seeing Bob and Edie **Cary** at Ft. Sill. Incidently, Hal and Barb had their 2d son born on 13 Apr. 69.

Mel, Marilyn, Robby, and Ricky **Case** are still at Ft. Benning where Mel is majoring in golf and minoring in the Inf car course.

Bob **Balderson** writes that he presently is commanding Co A, 2/3 Inf, "The Old Guard," 199th Inf Bde near Xuan Loc, 35 miles NE of Saigon. His wife Carol is working in the Claims Div, JAG Office, at Ft. Benning until his return on 18 Oct.

Steve **Solomon** also wrote from RVN where he presently is the S3, Det B-52 (Project Delta), 5th SFGA. He says he has a really interesting assignment and is enjoying the work. Dan **Fitzgibbon**, another SF type, works in the same place as Steve. Both these guys plan to leave the Service upon their return from RVN and go to grad school.

Ralph **Corley** started the U. of Tex. School of Law in Sept. in quest of a law degree. He and Joan had a baby girl named Paige Robinson added to the family on 28 May 69.

A note from Jeff **Kleb** just arrived with the following info: Jim **Bigelow** recently finished a tour of ROTC duty at Western Ky. U. and is on the way to Benning for the car course; Jeff **Larson** is at VMI on ROTC duty; Watts **Caudill** is at Lehigh U. and Jack **Scotnicki** is at Central State U. in Ohio—both on ROTC tours; Sam **Lamback** and Lenny **Fly** are on excess leave studying and will become Army Chaplains after they are ordained. During the summer they work for the Post Chaplain at Ft. Devens; Dick **Nowak** is at Ft. Devens on a compassionate reassignment because of his father's illness; and Ed **Roby** is at NYU on

1964: Tom Durfee receives the BSM near Can Tho, 30 Mar. 1969, from MG George S. Eckhardt, senior advisor to the IV CTZ, for meritorious service while serving as assistant signal advisor and battalion advisor to the Army Vietnam Corps Sig Bn.

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ROTC duty. Jeff is at the U. of Mass. on ROTC duty and says with a little luck and some understanding from Arty OPO, he will get his master's in Slavic lang by the end of next summer. He and Jo Ann now have 2 boys Jeff Jr., age 4½, and David Gregory, age 8 months.

Well, that is about all the poop I have for now. It looks as if the sentence structure is still a little weak and the thoughts are still a mite jumbled. However, the info is there as reported by all you wandering correspondents. Keep writing and keep doing your thing—I hope to see you at our 5th Reunion. Roy **Buckner** and Bill **Reynolds** at WP have sent poop (reunion type) to all of our Class. Of course, the addresses are a bit dated in some cases, but we sincerely hope no one gets left out by not getting the word. Beat Tex. A&M!!! (and Navy of course.)

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Along with his other decorations, Bob **Frank** should have an award for being a faithful contributor to the ASSEMBLY. He called from the hospital to pass on news of classmates he recently left in VN. I want to express my appreciation to everyone who sent letters or telephoned with information for the column. I wish we could hear from a lot more before the next issue.

Starting with WP, Ray **Paske** left for the 1st Armd Div at Ft. Hood where he commands a btry. Bud and Carolyn **Bucha** arrived in Aug. He is the Soc Sci Dept teaching history this semester and economics next semester. Bud is also an officer rep and unofficial asst coach of the swimming team. Bud spent 2 years at Stanford after graduation where he studied portfolio management (stocks and bonds). He went to VN with the 101st and attended the Armor Adv Course before coming to WP. Carolyn is expecting a baby in Jan.

I had heard that Art **Hester** was headed this way, but I haven't been able to locate him if he is here. Where are you, Art?

Bob **Frank** is in the Walson Army Hospital, Ft. Dix, recovering from wounds received on the 19th of July in VN. He was hit in the chest, right hand, and left hip by small arms fire, but the most serious area is his hip. He expects that his hip will be operated on in Oct. and hopes to be able to attend the ARMY-Navy game. Bob was commanding a rifle company in the 11th Inf Bde, Americal Div, vicinity Duc Pho when he was hit. He mentioned seeing 7 classmates in the 173d Abn Bde. Ron **Walter** works in the Bde S3 shop; Johnny **Johnson** is the Bde S3 Air; Jim **Hardin** is the Asst S2; Chris **Dorney** is 2d Bn 503d Inf S3; Jimmy **Mirando**, Steve **Spoerry**, and Wes **Taylor** are all in the 4th Bn 503d Inf as CommO, Hq Com, and a Co CO, respectively. Bob also reports that Don **Appler** is in the 3d Sqdr, 4th Cav, 25th Div, and that Fred **Smith** is in the 19th Engrs working on Hwy #1. I know I speak for everyone in wishing you a speedy and complete recovery, Bob.

1965: Mushovic, disguised as Hollywood producer, receives BSM.

I ran into Bill **Reisner** at Lakehurst NAS. Bill is an Army pilot working for the Manager, Air Traffic Management System. Val **Sammarco** and Mike **Watson** have completed the Sig Car Course and have departed for D.C. and Hi., respectively. Jim **Olivio** and Bob **Berdan** are also at Monmouth. Larry **Bennett** was scheduled to be released from active duty 8 Aug. He was married in July. Bill will be married by the time this is printed. His fiancee is an RN from NYC, but he didn't tell me her name. Congratulations to Larry and Bill. I can't think of very many of our classmates who are still bachelors.

Dave **Kuhn** wrote to me to say that he is flying the AC119k at Lockbourne AFB, Ohio. The AC119k is a gunship which will replace or augment the AC47's. Dave expects to deploy to SEA soon. Rosemarie and Dave are proud to announce the arrival of David Edward, born 11 June. Dave also sent news of other classmates, included elsewhere.

1965: Fred Scruggs receives decorations.

Jerry **Merges** wrote a very informative letter from the MI Center, Ft. Holabird. Jerry is Admin Officer, Adv Course Dept. Jerry and Janie have 2 boys, Jerry 2½ and Douglas 1. Scotty **Nelson** graduated from the MI Adv Course in June and went to Drexel Institute of Tech in Philadelphia for ROTC duty. Scotty and Pat have 1 boy. The following classmates are now in the adv course and are due to graduate in the month indicated: Jay **Vaughn**, Sept., going to grad school; Jim **Coughlin**, Sept., going to Hawaii; John **Concannon**, Dec.; Rich **Hennig**, Dec.; Bob **Selkis**, Mar. 70; and Mark **Walsh**, Mar. 70. Marshall **Schwartz** and Tom **Fergusson** graduated last Dec. Marsh remained at Holabird and is due to attend grad school in Jan. Tom went to OPO. Dave **Hurley** is on the adv course staff and faculty. Dave and Kathy have 2 children Regan and David. Dave will be getting out in Mar. 70. Steve and Molly **Philo** are recent arrivals at Holabird where Steve is an instructor. Molly is expecting in Feb. Rich **Boerckel** is slated to start the Adv Crs in Oct. Tom **Abraham** finished VN lang school at Bliss and will stay there until he gets out in Feb. Jerry saw Steve **Bliss** at the ARMY-Navy lacrosse game last spring. Steve and Andrea are at Ft. Lee.

1965: Ray Paske, former aide to BG Bernard W. Rogers, receives the ACM.

Several people wrote about the big '65 get-together at the **Genega's** on 7 June. Apparently it was quite a blast with about 30 classmates, their wives, sweethearts (either-or, not both), and kids attending. I quote from Stan **Genega's** letter. "Highlights of the picnic: Ken **Yoshitani's** wife went into the hospital shortly before the picnic started and while we were partying, gave birth to a 6 lb 9 oz boy. Randy **Guenther** found a soft spot on the grass at about 7:30 p.m. He was next heard from at 11:30 PM when he said, 'Anymore beer left?' Fortunately we were able to accommodate him, and he was happy once more. Jerry **Merges** and I started counting kids, but then decided it would take too long—there were so many—prolific '65!" This is an appropriate place to mention that Barb **Genega** had a baby boy in Nov. 68, Stan Jr. He was born with the inimitable **Genega** crew-cut. Here is a list of those who attended. From Ft. Belvoir: Fred **Laughlin**, Pete **Cahill**, John **Knowles**, Bob **Wolff**, John **McCullough**, Ken **Yoshitani**, Roy **Garms**, Omar **Rood**, Randy **Guenther**, Bud **Fish**, Ed **Simpson**, Jim **Harvey**, Ed **Sharkness**, and Emery **Chase**. From Ft. Holabird: Jerry **Merges**, Dave **Hurley**, Jay **Vaughn**, Bob **Selkis**, Scotty **Nelson**, and Jack **Concannon**. Dave **Bangert** came from CCNY, N.Y.; Mike **Hudson** from Ft. Dix; Tom **Fergusson**, Intelligence OPO, D.C., Tom **Johnson** (USAF) D.C.; Hank **Sterbenz** from Ft. Meade. Stan is headed for VN in Oct. along with John **McCullough**. Ed **Klink** arrived there in July and Bob **Selkis** will be going over in Mar. '70. Bob **Wolff** has been at Stanford since June; Ken **Yoshitani** reported to M.I.T. in Sept.; Loco **Locurcio** is on ROTC duty at Notre Dame; Steve **Ammon** reported to Red Stone Arsenal in Apr. Hank **Sterbenz** began the Inf Car Crs in July. Don **Parcells** reported to Ft. Bragg in June. Nick **Principe**, John **Seymour**, Chris **Spire**, and Denny **Brewer** are at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Ron **Riley** was due to be discharged 9 June and move to N.J. John **Wattendorf**, Slats **Letterie**, and Tom **Borkowski** are at Ft. Lee; all three are QMC. One last thing from Stan: Wayne **Scholl** accepted the Itschner Award at Belvoir last May at the annual Engr dinner for the best engr co. We are right proud, Wayne.

I heard from Joe **Sanchez** at Ft. Meade. He is Maint Officer for the 1st Army Avn Det. He and Nancy have a baby girl Lisa born in Aug. '68. Bob **Johnson** is also at Meade as Hq Co Cmdr in the First Army Spt Element.

CPT Jerry **Hoffman**, USAF, who left WP at the end of Yearling Year, is doing his medical internship at Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio and plans to stay

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there for his residency. Jerry and Wanda have 1 daughter Heather, aged 2. Jerry extends an invitation for anyone in the area to drop in and passes on this information. Gerry **O'Leary** is a Co Cmdr in the 11th Inf Bde, RVN. Gerry married a girl from Santo Domingo, Carmen, and they have a 2-year-old son. John **Salomone** is headed to Ft. Sill for the Arty Car Crs. Ron **Floto** and Fred **Grates** are MSC at Ft. Sam Houston. Ron is going to Harvard Bus School in Jan., and Fred is slated to go to grad school in early '70. Fred and Carol are expecting a baby in late Dec.

We received a baby announcement from Don and Sue **Erbes**. Karen Jane was born 6 Aug. Don is on ROTC duty at Ohio State. He expects to complete his MA in aero engineering in June '70. Sue says Reggie **Connor** gave birth to their 1st son 27 Aug. Mike **Connor** is on his 2d tour in VN.

The following information is from hometown news releases. Fred **Scruggs** got the BSM and PH in Feb. in Di An. He was a Co Comdr in the Big Red One at the time. Thomas **Mushovic** got the BSM 30 Mar. near Saigon for his work in the Command Advisory Team 100, advising the 6th Ranger Gp. T.J. **Kelly** graduated from the Sqdn Officers School at Maxwell AFB and is now at Rensselaer at Troy, N.Y.

Joe **Kosciusko** graduated from the Sqdn Officers School and is now a TAC F-4 Phantom pilot at Holloman AFB, N.M. Ed **Zabka** recently got his M.S. in aerospace engineering at the AF Institute of Technology at Wright-Pat.

Thanks again to those who contributed. Happy Holidays!

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Greetings fellow colleagues. Your support continues to be of great assistance. Regretfully, much of the info I receive and subsequently disgorge is untimely in print, so if you've DEROSED and I'm still carrying you in Nam, smile, you're better off anyway. Now the message. . . .

In Can Tho, RVN are John **Hanaberry** and Mike **Fellenz**, TOC Duty Officers IV Corps; Joe **Welch**, S4 34th Engr; Gary **Coggins**, Opns Action Officer IV Corps; Gar **Wright**, Asst Opns O IV Corps; Rick **Howell**, XO Special Security Det IV Corps; Don **Scoggin**, CO C Btry 6/77th Arty; Jouni **Keravouri**, ADC IV Corps; Doug **Sims**, IV Corps Refugee Center; and Bob **Tarrant**, S5 Phong Dinh Prov. Also in IV Corps are Bob **Meccia**, S3 36th Engr; Sam **Rizzo**, Huey Cobra Pilot; Jan **Olkoski** and Pat **Keating**, Advisors 9th ARVN Div; Jack **Norris**, Advisor 21st ARVN Div; John **Kozak**, S2 Ding Tuong Prov; Bill **Ferguson**, Asst Dist Advisor Ding Tuong Prov; Bill **Poole**, Asst Dist Advisor Kien Hoa Prov; Roger **Grugle**, Asst Dist Advisor An Giang Prov; Larry **Delp**, S2/S3 Air Vinh Binh Prov; Bob **Huston**, S5 Sadec Prov; Hank **Nemec**, S3 Ba Xuyen Prov; John **Carrow**, S3 Bac Lieu Prov; Rex **Nichols**, Asst Dist Advisor Bac Lieu Prov; Mike **Higgins**, Asst Dist Adv An Xuyen Prov, and Dave **Haines**, RF/PF Advisor Bac Lieu Prov.

In the Cu Chi area are Ted **Hill**, S1 65th Engr; Lee **Fullerton**, S4 3/4 Cav; Sam **Bartholomew**, Adj 3/4 Cav; Ron **Cox**, G5 25th Inf Div; Bill **O'Connor**, 25th Inf Div Staff; Ken **Schroeder**, Atry Btry CO; Art **Schulcz**, Tank Co CO; Ron **Bartek**, S2 Inf Bn; Joe **Calek**, Engr Co CO, and Jim **Cunningham**, gunship pilot.

In the Americal AO, Rick **Clark** works in the TOC; Jerry **Dixon** is with HHC 82d Arty; Rich **Kline** is S2 6/56th Arty, and Dick **Murray** is CO of D/6/56th Arty. Also in the area are Chuck **Hoffman** and Keith **Markey**.

At Can Tho, Ted **Lingle** is an ARVN Advisor; Gene **Canavan** is an advisor to the 12th ARVN Cav Sqdn, and Bob **Seigle** is Asst S3 of the 307th AVN Bn.

Scattered throughout RVN are the following: Bill **Wright** and Duke **Brennan**, 138th AVN Co at Da Nang; Welch **Agnew** and Dick **Eklund**, U-21 pilots at Saigon; Bob **Michener**, 101st Abn; Rick **Thoden**, Senior Advisor at Khe Sanh Dist; Bill **Tews**, AG Message Center MACV; Jon **Steel**, CO C Co, 1st Engr Bn; John **Rantala**, 199th Inf Long Binh; Rich **Sonstelie**, CO D Co 65th Engr Bn; Pete **Kronberg**, John **Tillson**, and Bernie **Reilly**, 11th Armored Cav Reg; Rick **Jones**, Advisor at Tay Ninh; Jan **Pailes**, Advisor to ARVN ABN; Jon **Blades**, 4/23d Inf; Dave **Dickey**, CO D Co 1/27th Inf; Dave **Crocker**, CO A Co 2/22 Mech; Jack **LeCuyer** and Bill **Kakel**, 8th Engrs with 1st Cav; Mark **Potter**, ADC; Joe **Musiol**, J5 staff MACV; Charlie **Moore**, Hq 20th Engr Bde; John **Geiger**, 1st Div; Bill **Helkie**, 101st Abn Arty; John **Donovan**, Sig Spt Co at Long Binh; Matt **DiFiore**, Traffic Management Agency at Chu Lai; Steve **Brown**, CO 548th Lt Maint Co, Tay Ninh; Frank **Galligan**, 1st Bde 1st Cav; Roger **Fernandez**, Tay Ninh; Tom **Miller**, S3 86th Sig Bn; Bill **Kirtley**, FSCE Nha Trang; George **Cox**, editor "Hurricane" II FFV; Fred **Ulrich**, MACV Hq; John **Redmond**, 219th MI Det II FFV; Jerry **Moll**, Sig Sec II FFV; Bob **Satter**, CO 578th Sig Co Tay Ninh, and Doug **Behnke**, Long Binh.

Elsewhere abroad are Mary and Rich **Amatulli** who are in Turkey with NATO, Phil **Riley** who is in Berlin commanding a tank company, and Roger **Thompson** and Carol and Kerm **Morgan** who are at large in Germany.

At Ft. Carson are Katherine and Frank **Callahan**, Curt **Lindler**, Frank **McGoogan**, Emmitt **Gibson**, Jim **Gardner**, and Buzz **Buczacki**. Buzz is with Hq 2d Bn 10th Inf. At Aberdeen Proving Ground Norm **Gunderson** and Mary Anne and Peyton **Ligon** are ADCs.

Art **Grant** and Dave **Schofield** are at Ft. Meade with the 6th Cav Regt. Larry **Donnithorne** is with Engr OPO in D.C.; Jim **Salander** is with Hq First Army; Tom **Carhart** is a French instructor at WP; Billie and Don **Rose** are at Ft. Sill where Don is an OCS Btry Cmdr; Jim **Gleason** is an instructor at Ft. Benning with Miriam and Gerry **Cecil**. Gerry is ADC to the Inf School Cmdr. Jim **Kirk** (ex 66) is CO 17th EOD Det Ft. Campbell, and Hank **Simon** is stateside at large after a tour with the 11th Armd Cav Regt.

Those in military schools are Lynn **Wilson**, Jim **White**, Bob **Steenlage**, John **Smith**, and Deme **Clainos** who are in the Sig Car Course; Phil **Benham**, Dave **Berkman**, Doc **Crants**, John **Deponai**, Mike **Hunter**, Woody **Woodward**, Rick **Gorski**, Jim **VanSickle**, and "Lacky" **Unger** who are in the Engr Car Course; and Cindy and Jim **Van Prooyen**, Shirley and Ed **Case**, and Kathy and Mike **Smith**, who are at the Chem Car Course. Alice and Ed **Andrews** are at the Ord Car Course, and John **Eberle** is at the Armor Car Course.

Among the civil erudite are Bill **Rennegal** who is still at Ohio State, Mary and John **Boyd** who are still at Princeton, Ted **Borek** who is in Law School at the U. of Ariz., and Bill **Bergman** who is on an Olmstead Scholarship to the Netherlands. Jack **Wheeler** recently graduated with honors from the Harvard Bus School and effected a branch transfer to AG.

Quarterly recipients of the ball and chain include: Karen Lea Olson and Ted **Borek**, Mary Ann Graham and Jim **Kirk** (ex-'66), Laurie Ellen Haughton and Jon **Steel**, and Susan Lee Applegate and yours truly. Also married were Kathy and "Rabbit" Steve **Williams** and Tom **Carhart**. Regretfully, I'm unable to name the gritty and courageous bride of the latter.

Recent contributors to the class assemblage are Carol and Rusty **Correia** with a girl Catherine Elise, Mary and John **Boyd** with a 2d boy Chris, Laura and Rick **Thoden** with a boy Scott, Helen and Duke **Brennan** with their 3d child, a boy Duke Jr., and Joan and Ed **Kane** with a boy Kevin. Members of the Class join with me in congratulating all.

Contributions continue to be both requested and desired. Your tidings will enlighten all.

'67

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LaVon and I are happy to announce the birth of our 2d son Jon Douglas born 15 July. I am still undergoing treatment here at Brooke Gen Hosp, and, at the same time, am working toward my M.A. at St. Mary's U. here in San Antonio.

The word from VN again begins with sad news, that being the death of Jack **Kelly**. Our deepest sympathy to Eileen and to Jack's family. George **Harmon** is with the 537th Tac Airlift Sqd at Phu Cat AB, piloting Caribous. Mike **Andrews** is CO of Hq Co of the 25th Div's 3d Bde near Dau Tieng. Linda is waiting his tour at Ft. Hood. Tom **Swett** is with the 4th Div's 4th Engr Bn at Pleiku; Dick **Gooding** is there also in the G2 Sec. Ed **Marion** is in the Saigon Area Cmd Hq. George **Dials** is CO C/4/12, 199LIB. Pam and their son Bill Edward (12 July '68) are residing in Drexel Hill, Pa. Dick **Comi** is Chief, Commo Center Hq Det, 160th Sig Gp. near Long Binh. Sarah is awaiting his return in Lebanon, Ky.

Bill **Cates** is Asst Opn O of the Amcal Div's 82d Field Arty. Jean is residing in Tuscaloosa, Ala. until he returns. John **James** is on a Mobile Advisory Tm near Da Nang, after returning in May from Germany. Gael and their son Ian Robert (22 Sept. '68) are waiting his tour in Mt. Pleasant, S.C. Mike **Cox** as Arty LnO for the 3/4 Cav, 25th Div. He and Anita had a "June Week" together on a Hawaiian R&R. Bill **Petruzel** is CO of the Avn Sec, 1st MI Bn (ARS). Dave **Baggett** is Cmdr, A Btry 1/84th Arty at Tan Tru. He redeployed to Hi. with the 9th Div. Also redeploying was Bobby **Knapp**, who was with HHC 4/39th, 9th Div.

Bill **Richards** and Tim **Gilbert** are advisors to a VN Abn Div near Saigon. Ray and Bernice **Roe** had their 2d daughter Karen Jane in May. They were in N.Y., where Ray was en route to Nam. New faces in Nam include Harry **Rothmann** (101st), Jim **Cali**, Chuck **Rankin**, Joe **Terry**, Jerry **Walker**, Glenn **Yuguchi**, and Bob **Laraia**. Bob and Janet had a daughter Laura born 17 Mar. in Germany.

Nearby, in Thailand, Vernon **Saxon** is a pilot at the Nakhon Phanom Royal Thai AFB.

From Germany, Bob and Jo **Griffith** are in Friedburg, where Bob is CO A/3/32, 3d Armd Div. Goose **Gonser** was married 14 June

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in Buffalo, N.Y. to Janet Pitkin. He had returned from Nam and is now in Germany with the 2/14th ACR's Hq Trp. Included in his wedding party were John **Mackerer** and Marty **Harmless**.

Stateside, Bob and Robin **Frank** are at Ft. Wolters, Tex., where Bob is in flight tng. Bill **Norton** and John **Marshall** are in advanced flight tng, Bill at Ft. Rucker, Ala. and John at Hunter Army Airfield, Ga. Woody Eme is CO B Btry 1/60th Arty in Porter, Ind. Dick **Radez** received a M.B.A. degree with distinction from Harvard on 12 June. Mike **Alverson** received a M.S.E. degree from Ariz. State U. and is now stationed at Lakenheath RAF Sta, England.

Al and Glenna **Seyfer**, returning from Okinawa, were in New Orleans, where Al entered LSU Med Schol in Sept. Ken **Strong** returned from Nam to Ft. Bragg, and was married 9 Aug. to Sara Ann Warr in Elba, Ala. Hap **Trainor** started Villanova Law School in Sept. Returning with him from Nam were John **Landgraf** and Virgil **Stone**, both of whom are assigned to Europe. Hap is planning a Navy game party in Philly. If you can attend, or for more info, contact Hap at: 418 E. Spring Ave., Ardmore, Pa. 19003. Burk **Bishop** is in Austin, Tex., attending SMU Law School. Tom **White** is assigned to Ft. Meade, Md. Pete **Summers** is now Asst Div G1 at Ft. Carson. Hobie and Rita **Pillsbury** had a daughter Mary Margaret born in Feb. at Carson.

Thanks for the correspondence. Until next time . . . .

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Well, the Class of 1969 has now formally descended upon the Army after a summer full of marriages, new faces and places, and 2 months of time which belonged only to us. It will be a minimum of 5 years before any member of our Class is likely to have another similar summer. For some, it will be 30 or more years before their country allows them such a period of leave once again. Only time will tell.

As your Class Scribe, I will do my level best to print any facts I receive. As we well know, though, rumors abound whenever West Pointers gather. To prevent any mistakes which may cause someone to be misquoted or any of you to be misinformed, I'll try to sift fact from fiction. The biggest help in this endeavor, and ultimately the success of this column, will therefore depend on your letters to me. Please do write, for the time being, at least, to the address listed above.

Only 1 event to report this writing. Jim **Rohacik** was married just after Labor Day at Ft. Sill. Hope to hear from many of you soon.

Class of 1929 in the news (pictures arrived too late to be included with class notes).

1929: Lou Hammock proposes a toast at a party in San Antonio.

1929: Jim Sladen at the controls of "Margaret's Folly" with (to R.) Marge and the Krauses. (At L. is Nina Reitz, whose former husband was J.O. Williams '28, deceased.

1929: Andy and Charlotte Samuels' Family. Left to right back row: Joan and Bruce Briggs with Bobby, Charlotte, Andy, Sue Flory with Scotty, Ron and Anne Cook. Front row: Kelly Cook, Tracy Briggs, Karen Cook, Michael Flory, Cheryl Briggs, Debby Flory, David Flory. Absent: Major Bob Flory '56, in Vietnam.

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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 Wesley Exton

NO. 3852 CLASS OF 1898

Died 23 March 1964 at Washington, D.C., aged 91 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

CHARLES WESLEY EXTON

CHARLES WESLEY EXTON was born at Clinton, New Jersey, on 26 December 1872, the son of Louis A. and Christianna Exton, who owned a farm near Clinton. He attended the local public schools there, and after finishing high school, worked as a railroad clerk while studying to become a schoolteacher. However, he succeeded in obtaining an appointment to West Point and entered the Academy in June 1894.

After graduating from West Point in April 1898 as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry, he reported to the 20th Infantry Regiment at Mobile, Alabama, in May, sailed for Cuba in June, and participated during July in engagements at El Caney, San Juan Hill, and Santiago de Cuba. He was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action at El Caney on 1 July.

In January 1899 he sailed with his regiment for the Philippines, serving there until his return to the United States in 1902. In 1903 he reported for duty as a Tactical Officer at West Point where he remained until 1907. Over the years I have encountered a number of officers who were cadets at that time who have mentioned that Captain Exton was quite strict but very fair as a Tac. Based on my experience, I do not think a cadet can ask for more. I understand that he was also popular with the ladies.

He left the United States in 1907 for duty in Hawaii, serving there until 1910. It was on this tour that he met Rose McClellan, the daughter of Brigadier General John McClellan. She was to become his wife later. From 1910 to 1912, he was at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, attending what was then known as the Army School of the Line. Taking leave in the summer of 1912 he pursued his bride-to-be to Europe where she was traveling, and they were married in London on 10 September 1912.

He and his bride reported to Fort Douglas, Utah, in December, and he rejoined the 20th Infantry Regiment. After serving with the regiment at Fort Bliss, Texas, and Fort Wingate, Arizona, in 1914, he was appointed Military Attaché to Switzerland in 1915, where he remained until directed to report to General Pershing in France in August 1917.

He saw service in France with the 26th Division, particularly in the Chemin des Dames sector, until May 1918 when, having been promoted to Colonel, he was assigned as Commandant of the First Corps School at Gondrecourt. In October he became Commandant of the Infantry Officers Candidate School at LaValbonne near Lyons. After duty in Paris coordinating the providing of educational opportunities to American servicemen in French universities, he returned to the United States in August 1919 and reported to the Army War College in Washington.

Upon graduation from the Army War College, he was assigned to command the 29th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning, Georgia, in August 1920. However, he served there only a short time. Based on what he had seen in France, he had become impressed with the impact of chemical warfare on war. He decided to transfer to the new Chemical Warfare Service and was assigned back to Washington as Assistant to the Chief of the new Service in November 1920.

In 1923, he became Commanding Officer of Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, leaving there in 1927 to be Chemical Officer of the 1st Corps Area at Governor's Island, New York. In 1931 he left the United States again for duty as Chief of Staff of the Philippine Department, from which he returned in July 1934 and reported to Fort McPherson, Georgia, as Chemical Officer, 3d Corps Area. He retired there 31 December 1936, and moved to Washington, D.C. There he resided until his death on 23 March 1964, at the age of 92. He was survived by his widow; three children: Mrs. Bradford Whitney of Annapolis, Maryland; Mrs. Daggett Howard of Washington, D.C.; and Lieutenant General Hugh Exton; and thirteen grandchildren.

Charles Exton was very fond of sports. He was an ardent hunter, a good horseman, and played golf regularly until well into his seventies. He loved West Point and went back for visits whenever he could. His approach to life was always strict adherence to what he considered right and just. He may have been considered too uncompromising at times, but there was never any doubt as to where he stood. He had the high respect of all who knew him.

—H.M.E.

Donald Cameron Cubbison

NO. 4272 CLASS OF 1904

Died 25 December 1968 in Carmel, California, aged 86 years.

Interment: El Carmelo Cemetery, Pacific Grove, California

DONALD CAMERON CUBBISON

DONALD CAMERON CUBBISON, who could accurately quote great poetry and whole scenes from Shakespeare, who made enduring friendships wherever he served, and who loved West Point and the Field Artillery all his life, was born in Harrisville, Pennsylvania, in 1882. The youngest member of a large family, and still a boy when his father died, he went to live with a married brother in Kansas and there won an appointment to West Point. On 19 June 1900, he first saw the Plain and began the associations he treasured.

Starting his service at Fort Snelling with the 4th Field Artillery Battery, he accompanied it to Fort Sill when it became Battery A, 1st Field Artillery, the first Artillerymen at Sill. Service continued at Fort Slocum, in the Philippines, in Mexico with the 4th Field Artillery (Pack), at Forts Keogh and Miles, and in France with the 7th Field Artillery, 1st Division, and as Chief of Staff, I Corps Artillery, through Belleau Woods and Chateau-Thierry. He was a graduate of the Mounted Service School, the Field Artillery School, a distinguished graduate of the School of the Line and the General Staff School, and the Army War College. He particularly enjoyed tours as Treasurer, USMA, as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Stanford University, and at Sill on the Field Artillery Board, as Commanding Officer, 1st Field Artillery, as Assistant Commandant, and as Commandant. Appointed a general in 1938, he successively commanded the 6th Infantry Brigade at Fort Douglas, the 11th Field Artillery Brigade at Schofield Barracks, the Field Artillery School, and the 1st Infantry Division. A 1942 War Department directive limiting overseas service to those under sixty denied him his ambition to lead the Division overseas, and he ended forty-six years of service as Commanding General, Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, Fort Bragg.

His deep regard for associates and patience with their foibles was an outstanding trait. At 2 a.m. on a frosty night at Fort Devens he answered his doorbell and beheld a private who asked, "Are you the Commanding General, 1st Infantry Division?" Upon an affirmative reply the private, barracks bag at side, saluted and said, "Private Smith reports for duty." Recognizing that the private had only that moment completed his trip from a distant training center, and was scrupulously obeying his stencilled orders to "proceed to Fort Devens, Massachusetts, and report to Commanding General, 1st Infantry Division for duty," General Cubbison invited him in. Mrs. Cubbison was aroused to prepare bacon and eggs and, later, the division officer of the day was summoned to escort the newcomer to his unit, with an admonition not to divulge his inexperience with things military.

As Treasurer, USMA, in the mid twenties, his improvements in the cadet mess were several times rewarded by an impromptu "Short Corps for Cubbison," and the cadets who founded *The Pointer* presented him a treasured watch chain key in appreciation

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of his advice and assistance. When Assistant Commandant of the Field Artillery School, he was made honorary member of the 1938 Regular Class because "his sympathetic understanding of his command and his genial personality indelibly left his impress on every student."

In 1946 he retired to quiet happiness in Carmel with his wife Lucile, who for sixty years shared the pangs and pleasures of Army life. She and their three children, Donald C. Jr. (USMA 1933), Rose, now Mrs. J. Arch Butts, and Gordon, survive.

—His Children

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Robert Price Glassburn

NO. 4552 CLASS OF 1907

Died 11 June 1968 in Martin Army Hospital, Fort Benning, Georgia, aged 82 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

ROBERT PRICE GLASSBURN

VITAL, STRAIGHTFORWARD, keen of mind, and ready of wit, Robert Glassburn loved life and lived it fully and well. He used his varied talents to the best of his ability and expected as much of those around him. Although he might have led the life of a teacher, writer, or businessman— he succeeded in these capacities at different times—his heart was set early on West Point and a military career.

Army service filled most of his active life and always outranked all of his many other interests. For him the West Point motto was paramount, and West Point's grounds were hallowed.

A native of Iowa, he graduated in 1907 from the United States Military Academy. During World War I he served in various actions in France, and was awarded the Victory Medal. At the time of the Armistice he was a Lieutenant Colonel in command of the 53d Coast Artillery. After graduating from the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth and the Ecole Supérieure de Guerre in Paris, where he was awarded the Brêvet Etat-Major de L'Armee Francaise, he became the Senior Instructor of the Delaware National Guard in 1925; and from 1927-32, Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Delaware. Ex-students still speak of his dynamic quality as a teacher whose instruction was enriched from his wide reading background in history, foreign affairs, and scientific advances.

During his lifetime, he was an ardent sportsman, lover of the outdoors, and dedicated conservationist, intensely interested in national conservation programs. He devoted much of his leisure time to hunting and after retirement enjoyed this hobby until late in his seventies at his home in Scottsville, Virginia, which abounded in quail and wild turkey.

From Delaware he went to a command post at Fort Monroe, Virginia, and from 1934-39 he served in the Midwest in command of a reserve officer group from five states. He was commanding officer of the 59th Coast Artillery at Fort Mills, Philippine Islands, and commander of the seaward defenses of Manila Bay from 1939-40. During World War II he held command positions in Oregon, Texas, and Tennessee, before being named chief of the Air Corps' largest replacement center at Atlantic City, New Jersey. This was a particularly difficult stateside assignment. His last post before retirement in 1944 was command of the Air Corps' Basic Training Center at Greensboro, North Carolina.

He then spent five years in New York City as the Latin American export manager of the Dictaphone Corporation. This job involved extensive travel in those countries. After retirement from this position, he lived in Virginia, Florida, and the Fort Benning area. Of all the places he lived, however, his farm in Virginia, with its woods, fields, and wild game, was the place he loved most.

His family and friends found him a stimulating companion: fluent in French and Spanish, widely read, and deeply religious. On the serious side, he was one profoundly disturbed by the complex problems of the times, keeping well informed on them until his last days; and on the lighter side, he was a gay and delightful raconteur, fine bridge player, music lover, avid sports fan, and great gourmet.

Colonel Glassburn served his country well and devotedly and faced the many illnesses of his declining years with courage, humor, and equanimity. All who were close to him realize that a brave and unusual man has gone from their midst.

He is survived by his widow, Eugenia; two sons, Eugene and Maxwell; two daughters, Ann Glassburn, and Mrs. Mary Greenly; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

—His Family

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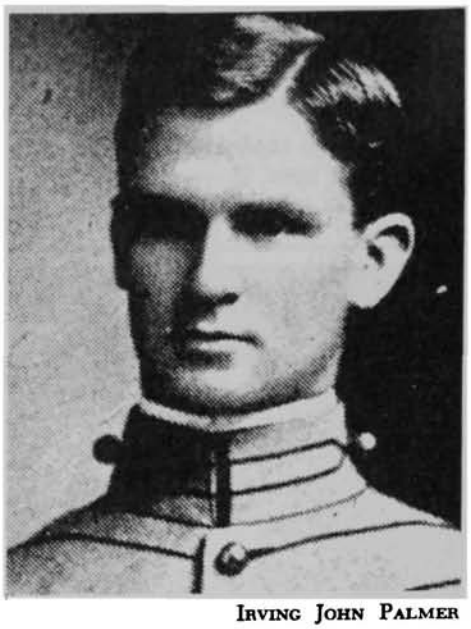
Irving John Palmer

NO. 4575 CLASS OF 1907

Died 15 June 1966 in Green Brook, New Jersey, aged 82 years.

Interment: Hillcrest Cemetery, Soneston, Pennsylvania

IRVING JOHN PALMER ("Pammer" to his classmates) was born near Plainwell, Michigan, 26 January 1884, the son of John and Emily Becker Palmer. On his mother's side he was related to General Philip Schuyler of Revolutionary War fame. His father was a farmer, and Irving grew up as a typical farm boy who loved the farm, the animals, and the outdoor life. His youth was spent in a religious home of Baptist faith.



IRVING JOHN PALMER

In 1900, he graduated from the Plainwell High School and then for two years attended Kalamazoo College in Kalamazoo, Michigan, a Baptist institution, majoring in mathematics and theology, with an idea that he might, after graduation, become either a mathematics teacher or a Baptist minister. However, when an appointment to West Point became available, he decided to take the competitive examination and was successful in winning the appointment and entered the Academy on 15 June 1903.

He immediately loved West Point, enjoying four happy years and graduating in the upper half of the Class, standing high in Military Efficiency and Soldierly Deportment and Discipline. He particularly excelled in Conduct, being number one in the Class in Second Class Year and near the top in the three other years. In person, he was tall, handsome, dignified, and tactful, of somewhat stern disposition, but friendly and cheerful. His religious upbringing led him to become a member of the Cadet YMCA and also to attend Miss Warner's Sunday afternoon Bible classes at her home on Constitution Island. He took great interest in Cadet social life and was quite popular with the visiting young ladies and spent many weekend leaves visiting them at Newburgh and other nearby localities.

He early became very much interested in the military phases of the curricula and made a good record as Cadet Sergeant during First Class Year. He especially liked the Infantry and upon graduation was assigned to the Infantry troops of the Cuban Army of Pacification, where he served from 1907 to 1909. Returning to the United States, he served in various Infantry commands until the outbreak of World War I when he was assigned to the Machine Gun Training Center where he made an excellent record as an Instructor, and later attained the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

After the end of World War I he decided to resign from the service and enter civilian life. He first went to work for Calco Chemical Company and later worked for the Pennsylvania Department of Highways as a highway engineer and laid out a beautiful, scenic highway from Soneston to La Porte. He then shifted to the position of Assistant Prohibition Administrator for the State of

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New Jersey. In 1927, he went to work as Lieutenant of Tolls for the Holland Tunnel Corporation which subsequently became a part of the vast complex controlled by the Port of New York Authority.

In 1942, after the United States entered World War II, he tried twice to obtain a re-commission as a Lieutenant Colonel, but his application was twice returned with the statement that due to a heart condition he was pronounced physically disqualified for any type of military service.

In 1953, he retired from his position with the Port Authority and devoted himself to his six-acre farm, plowing and mowing the fields and grounds, re-modeling the house, building a barn, a garage, and a well-house. In local community matters he assisted in public school affairs, serving for a number of years on the Green Brook Board of Education, and was a member of the District Zoning Board, and the Baptist West End Chapel in North Plainfield. He also continued his membership in the Association of Graduates of West Point and kept up his interest in military affairs in the Dunellen Post of the American Legion.

Irving was thus a useful citizen of his community, with many firm and loyal friends among the population. These activities continued until he suffered a severe heart attack in January 1964, and was compelled to give up all personal care of the farm, his wife taking over the farm management. His condition grew slowly much worse, and he was finally admitted to the hospital in Plainfield where he passed away on 15 June 1966. Funeral services were held for him in Muncey, Pennsylvania, and he was buried in the Hillcrest Cemetery, Soneston, Pennsylvania.

The last time the writer of this obituary saw Irving was at the Fiftieth Reunion of the Class at West Point in June 1957, where he enjoyed the festivities with the twenty-one classmates attending. And I am sure that those who had known him well in cadet days had always regretted that he had resigned and returned to civilian life.

Surviving are his widow Mrs. Kathryn Palmer of 2 Blue Ridge Avenue, Green Brook, New Jersey; a son Gardner, of San Francisco; three daughters, Mrs. Everett Wormington of Sedona, Arizona, Mrs. Roger Mattes of Dalton, Pennsylvania, and Miss Kathryn Palmer of New York City; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

And so, "Pammer," we finally bid you an affectionate farewell as you go to join those of the Long Gray Line who have already answered the Last Roll Call.

—Abbott Boone

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Frederick Gilbreath

NO. 4967 CLASS OF 1911

Died 28 February 1969 in Austin, Texas, aged 81 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

FREDERICK GILBREATH WAS BORN on a farm near Dayton, Washington Territory, 21 February 1888, youngest of thirteen. Samuel Love Gilbreath, his father, was born in Tennessee in 1825 and his mother, Margaret H. Fanning, in Illinois in 1844. Both crossed in wagon trains with their families in 1852 and settled in Oregon. After marriage in 1859, they moved to Washington Territory.

FREDERICK GILBREATH

Youth for Fred meant hard work on the farm, with education starting in the Columbia County Grade School. Graduated from Dayton High School in 1905, he attended Whitman College until appointed to West Point by Senator Levi Ankeny.

Entering the Military Academy 15 June 1907, he was a serious cadet though with a quiet sense of humor. He was an "area bird" but became an acting First Sergeant and a Cadet Lieutenant; played basketball, lacrosse, and polo. He was graduated 13 June 1911 and commissioned in the Cavalry.

Early service was in the Philippines with troop and staff duty and combat duty in Jolo, 1912-13, with the 8th Cavalry, for which a Bronze Medal was given. In 1915, he was transferred to Fort McIntosh, Laredo, Texas, where he was promoted to First Lieutenant. During the fall of 1916, four months were spent as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Puerto Rico. Returning to Laredo, he was married 21 December 1916 to Miss Edna Brown of Laredo.

There followed service in Texas, and in Arizona where he was promoted to Captain, 4 August 1917, detailed with the Quartermaster Corps and ordered overseas. After a period in London as Chief Paymaster, he went to the Port of Embarkation, St. Nazaire, France. In March, he became Assistant G-4, I Corps, later Assistant Quartermaster 2d Division, and then Quartermaster 4th Division. Later, he was in the office of the Chief Quartermaster, returning to the States in October 1919, and to the Cavalry in 1921.

In 1922 he was a distinguished graduate of the School of the Line, in 1923 a graduate of the Command and General Staff School, and then instructor, and in 1927 a graduate of the Army War College. He had four years with the War Department General Staff from 1928. After service with the Cavalry and the Civilian Conservation Corps at Fort Bliss, he had similar duty at Fort Riley in 1934.

During this latter tour, he became a member, Masters of Foxhounds Association of America. Colonel Jonathan (Skinny) Wainwright, Assistant Commandant of the School and Master of the Cavalry School Hunt, invited Fred to become joint Master. On leaving Riley, Wainwright not only gave Fred his cherished fox horn but also presented a sporting brake, a two-horse, two-seated open light vehicle. In 1935, Fred was Executive Officer and Secretary of the Command and General Staff School, where his sporting brake aroused much attention. That vehicle, with coaching harnesses and other equipment given him by Colonel Horace Fuller, was the embryo that grew under Fred's efforts into the Fort Leavenworth Museum, an outstanding collection of Nineteenth Century horse-drawn vehicles and allied equipment, which was approved by the Secretary of War in 1938 as a Department of the Army Military Museum.

In 1939, Gilbreath returned to Fort Riley as Assistant Commandant and in 1940 to Fort Bliss as Commanding Officer 7th Cavalry. From 1941 to 1944, he was Commanding General at Fort Mason and Coordinator of facilities for the San Francisco Port of Embarkation, promoted to Major General and awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. Ordered to New Caledonia in August as Commanding General SoPacBaComd, he was transferred to Manila to command a new base. Reporting in May 1945, there followed the organizing of the new command. Then ordered to Japan, he arrived in September for logistical support of the Sixth Army.

After a physical checkup in October, he left Tokyo 12 November for Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston. There, on 31 August 1946, he was retired with total disability. During his long years of active service, Frederick Gilbreath carried out whole-heartedly many difficult duties.

His awards were: Bronze Medal, Philippine Islands; Purple Heart (for service) World War I; War Department General Staff, peace time; Polonia Restituta (Chevalier) Poland, World War I; Distinguished Service Medal, World War II. Badges were: Philippine Island Insurrection; Mexican Border; World War I with five clasps; Army of Occupation, Germany World War I. During World War II: American Defense; American Campaign; Asia-Pacific with two stars; Philippine Island Presidential Unit Citation; Philippine Island Liberation Ribbon with one star; Army of Occupation, Japan.

After retirement, the Gilbreaths lived in Austin where for over twenty years they were attending members of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd and Fred in later years an honorary vestryman. He was a member of three associations: the Retired Officers, the West Point Alumni, and Masters of Foxhounds.

After an extremely active life, he died quietly in his sleep, 28 February 1969, at the age of 81. Services were at his church on 2 March, and interment was with full honors on 3 March in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, a sister and a brother, two sisters-in-law, and several nieces and nephews.

In April, Edna Gilbreath received the following from Washington:

"THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
honors the memory of
FREDERICK GILBREATH

This certificate is awarded by a grateful nation in recognition of devoted and selfless consecration to the service of our country in the Armed Forces of the United States.

(sgd) Richard Nixon
President of the United States."

—H.F.N.

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Russell Lamonte Maxwell

NO. 5027 CLASS OF 1912

Died 24 November 1968 in Washington, D.C., aged 77 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

RUSSELL LAMONTE MAXWELL

THE CLASS OF 1912, sandwiched as it was between two of our greatest wars, produced General Officers all the way from 1918 through 1945, but none more outstanding than Russell Lamonte Maxwell who died at his home in the Westchester Apartments, 3900 Cathedral Avenue in Washington, D.C., on 24 November 1968.

Maxie came to the Academy from Modesto, California, in March 1908. He hit his academic stride early and maintained it throughout his cadetship. He graduated among the first ten in his class.

The hard going he experienced in his Yearling Year was a fair index of his strength of character, energy, and determination. In that year, while coasting downhill on the road toward the Post Exchange, the steersman of Maxie's sled ran too close to a masonry column, and Maxie's protruding foot was caught. The impact broke his right hip. Such a serious injury in those days generally meant a "turn back" to the next class; but he asked for and received permission to follow lesson assignments and to take writs in an attempt to keep up with his class. In spite of his painful convalescence, he maintained his class standing. This was the way he met all the crises of his military life.

Maxie graduated in the Field Artillery and remained in that branch long enough to marry Katherine Winans, the charming daughter of General Edwin B. Winans, a well-known officer of Cavalry. He transferred to Ordnance, probably attracted by the increase in rank and pay and the better stations offered. He remained in that branch the greater part of his military life. In the Ordnance, he became an acknowledged expert in the field of military explosives, and, as a result, was stationed at Picatinny Arsenal. There he had a narrow squeak when an explosion occurred in one of the ammunition huts in which he was working. Fortunately, he was not seriously burned. Later, he came to duty in the Office of the Chief of Ordnance in Washington.

In 1935 he was transferred to Langley Field where he took over the Aircraft Armament Section which had been transferred from the American Expeditionary Forces. Although this was an Ordnance function, it was located in the Air Service Headquarters. He became a staff officer of General Frank Andrews.

Maxie had gone the full gamut of Ordnance assignments, having already been Ordnance Officer of the 1st Cavalry Division.

His general virtuosity was shown by his appointment by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1940 to the post of Export Control. In this position he acted as advisor to the President in his use of the broad powers of control over the export of military supplies and strategic materials needed for the defense effort. It was estimated that Maxie controlled about half the shipment of American goods to foreign markets.

In 1942 he was appointed head of the U.S. Mission to the British Forces in Africa. His assignment became particularly critical when the advances of Rommel and the accompanying great losses of British equipment, especially tanks, made speed in their replacement a matter of desperate urgency.

Since practically all the U.S. Forces in the Middle East were service forces, in 1942 he was made Commanding General of U.S. Forces in the Middle East with Headquarters in Cairo.

He had met all these and other problems with skill and energy and some two years later Lord Halifax, then British Ambassador to the United States, presented him with the Order of the Bath.

Maxie returned to the U.S. in 1943 and was made G-4 of the War Department, a post which he held until his retirement in 1946.

During his military service he received two Distinguished Service Medals, in addition to the British decoration and French Legion of Honor.

Upon retirement, he sought and accepted employment with the American Machine and Foundry Company of New York and became its Senior Vice President. He remained with this company until 1957 when he again retired and returned to Washington as President of Expansion Services Inc.

He was devoted to the interests of his family, to West Point, and to his classmates. His long business residence in New York made possible his active participation in many activities of the Academy.

At his own request, he was buried at West Point.

He is survived by his wife of 3900 Cathedral Avenue, Washington, D.C., and by one son Robert E. Maxwell of New York City.

—H.J.M.

Francis Augustus Englehart

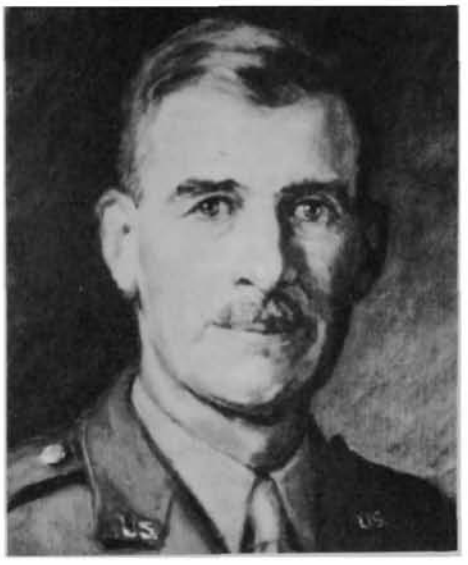
NO. 5130 CLASS OF 1913

Died 13 January 1969 in Washington, D.C., aged 78 years.

Interment: Bennington, Vermont

"TANGLEFOOT," as we affectionately called him, had among his classmates the highest affection and respect, while his chevrons testify to the opinions of the authorities.

We of his Class recall the four years of labor and leadership with the YMCA and with the Misses Warner Sunday Bible Class which he always attended. His persistent work on the gridiron made the football



FRANCIS AUGUSTUS ENGLEHART

teams of his day a little bit better than they otherwise would have been.

Following graduation, he was sent to the Coast Artillery School at Fortress Monroe, after which he was assigned to duty at Fort Hamilton and Fort Totten. On 24 August 1916, he was sent, as a Math instructor, to West Point where he fought World War I.

On 27 December 1916, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Bennington, Vermont, he married Miss Imogen Sarah Norton—and he told us once—had only a three-day honeymoon as he had to report back to West Point for the Superintendent's New Year's reception and class duty the next day.

After West Point, he tried for Massachusetts Institute of Technology, but was sent to the University of Minnesota, instead, for a course in exterior ballistics preparatory to an assignment as an instructor at the Coast Artillery School at Fortress Monroe. While on this job, he became interested in Ordnance to such an extent that he transferred to that service in 1921 and was sent to Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia, in charge of the Instrument Department.

Up to this time, three children were born to Francis and Imogen—Imogen Elizabeth, 16 December 1917, at West Point and Francis Jr., 10 December 1918, also at West Point. Nancy Louise was born at Frankford Arsenal 10 January 1922. Nine years later, along came Norton Franklin, 11 April 1931, at Washington, D.C.

On 4 November 1922, Francis was ordered to Chicago as Ordnance Officer of the Sixth Corps Area. He swiftly made many jumps in the following years: late 1924 to Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois, 1927 to the Philippines, where he was made responsible for the harbor defenses of Manila and Subic Bay, back to the United States in 1929, where he had three years in the Office, Chief of Ordnance, in Washington, and one year at the Army Industrial College. From 1933 to 1935, he attended the Harvard School of Business Administration, winning his Master of Business Administration *Cum Laude*.

During World War II, he served in Burma with General Joseph W. Stilwell, as Ordnance Officer for the China-Burma-India Theatre. Then he went back to Washington in the Office, Chief of Ordnance until 1944, when he served General Robert C. Richardson as Mid-Pacific Theatre Ordnance Officer and Ordnance Officer, Pacific Ocean Area. He was promoted to Brigadier General on 1 November 1944.

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It is never easy to portray the love and respect one's Class has for a friend. Each of us remembers him in different ways. Francis was religious, profound in his thinking, too diversified to portray in words, but we all had deep affection for this dear classmate. Character of the finest type was the bedrock of his personality—soft spoken, modest, and most considerate of others. "Duty, Honor, Country" governed his life and underlie the thoughts we have written here about him.

Francis was Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end, and he will always live in our memory having our respect and love.

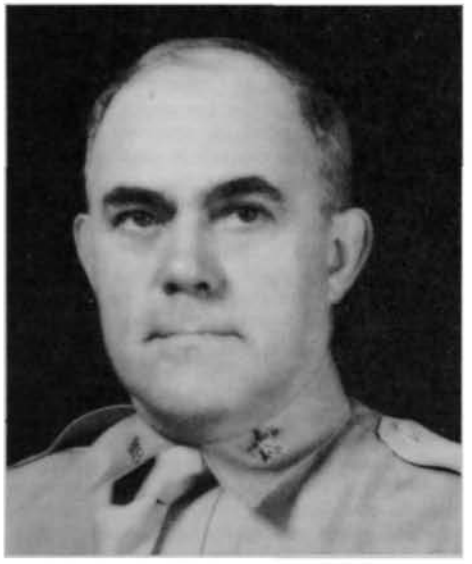
—A Classmate
Joseph W. Viner

Adam Empie Potts

NO. 5283 CLASS OF 1914

Died 27 September 1968 at the VA Hospital, Hampton, Virginia, aged 79 years.

Interment: Cemetery of St. John's Episcopal Church, Hampton, Virginia



ADAM EMPIE POTTS

TO HIS CLASSMATES and other cadets at West Point he was Empie, and he was Empie to his many friends in the Army and in civilian life; but the fact that his full surname was Adam Empie was significant.

His great-grandfather on his mother's side was the Reverend Adam Empie, D.D., who was the first Chaplain and Head of the Department of Ethics at West Point, 1813-17, and who later was President of the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg, Virginia, 1826-35.

Empie was proud to bear the name of such a distinguished ancestor, and this must have had an effect on his entire life. He was a sincere Christian and showed his dedication to duty in many activities, military and civilian.

He was born at Richmond, Virginia, on 3 January 1889. On graduating from the Academy, he was assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps. He completed the basic and advanced courses of his branch, and the course at the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. All his service was in the Coast Artillery Corps or Antiaircraft Artillery, except for duty at the Academy as an instructor, and details to the Ordnance Department and the General Staff Corps. In 1940, he married Elsie Ferne Dill of Francisco, Indiana; and they enjoyed a long and happy marriage.

In 1941-42 Empie commanded the 98th Antiaircraft Artillery Regiment in Hawaii. During the aerial attack on Pearl Harbor, the guns of his regiment shot down the first Japanese plane. His next assignment was as Commanding Officer of Camp Davis, North Carolina, a large Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center, 1942-45. For this service he was awarded the Legion of Merit. During 1945-46 he commanded Fort Story, Virginia and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal.

His last military assignment was as Executive Officer of the Seacoast Branch of the Artillery School, with Headquarters at Fort Winfield Scott, California, 1946-48. He was retired as a Colonel on 31 December 1948, for physical disability, and he and Ferne settled down in their home filled with family treasures, at 116 Hampton Roads Avenue, in Hampton, Virginia.

Before long he began a second career. He was Director of Public Works and Deputy Coordinator of Civil Defense of Hampton, 1952-55. In 1955, he was appointed Commissioner of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia and served in this capacity with great ability for over twelve years. Because of angina attacks, it became necessary for him to request that his duty as U.S. Commissioner be terminated, effective 31 December 1967. His request was accepted with regret; and when he completed his service, he was presented a Resolution, signed by the U.S. District Judge, expressing the Court's appreciation for the outstanding service he had rendered in the administration of justice.

In addition to his official duties, Empie had also been occupied in other public-spirited activities. He served for fifteen years on committees of the United Fund. He was chairman of the Hampton Chapter of the American Red Cross, 1954-55. He served as Vice-President and District Chairman of the Peninsula Council of the Boy Scouts of America and as a member of the Executive and Eagle Scout Boards of the Council. In 1958 he was presented the Silver Beaver Award for his outstanding services to scouting.

He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, serving as a Vestryman and Bible teacher; a member of the local chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution; a member of the Hampton and Scotchtown chapters for the Preservation of Virginian Antiquities; President of the Peninsula Executive Club, 1954-55; and a member of the Hampton Rotary Club, the American Legion, the Association of the U.S. Army, and the West Point Society of Hampton.

After it became necessary for him to give up his duties as U.S. Commissioner, Empie had a fall, caused by a stroke, in May 1968; and his entire left side was paralyzed. After three weeks in the Langley Air Force Base Hospital, he was transferred to the VA Hospital in Hampton for special therapy. It was hoped that he might gradually improve so that he could be returned to his home, but his condition slowly deteriorated, and he passed away at the hospital.

What you have been reading is an account of a life of service to Country and fellow man, on which we can reflect with thankfulness for such a man as Empie was. He was a delightful friend, so self-effacing, so sweet-natured, so understanding, so hospitable, so lacking in false pride, and so public-spirited. He was a very worthy son of West Point, and his life exemplified the principles of the Academy. Empie was a loyal and devoted Classmate and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife whose address is 4407-A Victoria Boulevard, Hampton, Virginia 23369; by their son, John David Potts; and by two grandchildren.

—J.H.C.

Edward Gill Sherburne

NO. 5406 CLASS OF 1915

Died 10 June 1968 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 75 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

EDWARD GILL SHERBURNE

"IN VERMONT THEY REAR MEN—men of spirit, of highest integrity, and of earnest purpose." These Ed possessed, the HOWITZER commented in 1915 when he graduated from West Point. But he also had the rare gem of a twinkle in his eye.

Those who knew Ed well and served with him came to respect and honor his strength, forthrightness, integrity, and his devotion to duty. He seldom talked of what he should do—he did it. He wasted few words on admonition and persuasion; he performed the act. And in the midst of high seriousness, he could pause for a wry comment where it fitted and eased the moment. He could support with warmth and smile. He could give orders filled with his respect for his men.

Colonel Thomas J. Randolph, who served with Ed in Iceland where he commanded the 118th Infantry from 1942 to 1944, wrote after his death: "In many ways the years I spent with Ed in Iceland were ones of the most rewarding of my active duty. It was from him that deep understanding of duty came. It seemed to me that he felt that the finest outlet an officer could have was an opportunity to show that his primary responsibility was to the men under his command. Consequently he applied his skill toward their preservation and through this his duty to his country was discharged. To my way of thinking Ed truly deserved the

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playing of taps. I know none that I thought deserved it more and few that I think deserve it as much."

No words could have been written which would have pleased Ed more. He had three singular devotions in his life: service to his country, an affinity for Vermont, its traditions and people, and his family. To all of these he was unwavering in his loyalty. His happiness and well being depended upon fulfilling his duty toward those he honored, revered, and loved.

He was a native product of his beloved Vermont, born in Montpelier of parents who also had been born there. His father was a businessman in Montpelier, and Ed's happiest and most special memories were always of his childhood in that favored state. He was appointed from the Second District and entered West Point a month after graduating from high school. He served in several posts in the United States and abroad, among them in the Philippines and Puerto Rico, and with the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I. During World War II, he commanded the 118th Infantry Regiment in Iceland, moving with it to England and Ireland. From 1944 to 1946, he served as Deputy Chief of Staff, 3d Service Command in Baltimore, where he retired for disability. After a stay in Kingsport, Tennessee, he and his wife settled in Rock Hill, South Carolina, attracted there by some of the former officers of the 118th Infantry. In Rock Hill he served as managing director of the Rock Hill Board of Trade. And he gardened and as he said "rusticated" in South Carolina, until the presence of his son and family in Washington, D.C., made that city special.

While living in Washington, he was in declining health for three years and finally died in Walter Reed Hospital after a long and lingering illness. He is survived by his wife Bess B. Sherburne, one son Edward Gill Sherburne, and a grandson Edward the third, all of Washington.

—His daughter-in-law, Mary Lela.

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Frederick Dent Sharp

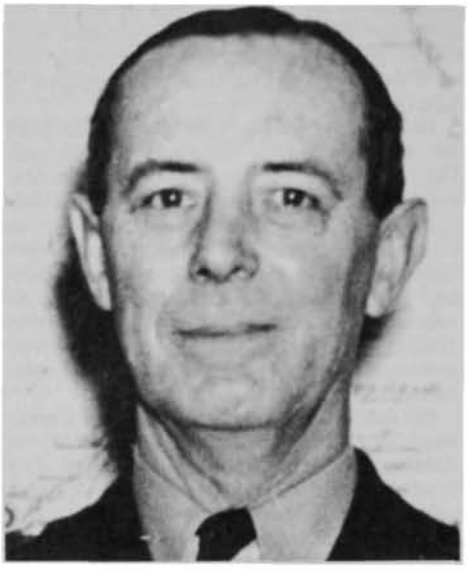
NO. 5866 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 6 April 1969 in Washington, D.C., aged 75 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

COLONEL FREDERICK DENT SHARP, United States Army (Retired), died in Washington on Sunday, 6 April 1969. He was born in 1893 at Fort Assinaboine, Montana, the son of Captain F. D. Sharp, a nephew of President Ulysses S. Grant, and Ellen Beverley Sharp. After attending Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois, he graduated from West Point in August 1917. He served in Germany after World War I, and following duty in the Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Schofield Barracks, and Fort Myer, taught military science at Harvard University where he also coached the polo team.

In 1932, Colonel Sharp was assigned to Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay as Military Attaché and was United States Observer in the Chaco War. After three years of retirement, he was recalled to active duty in 1940. He established the Army's intelligence office in New York City, and in 1943 was assigned to General Eisenhower's staff in Algiers in a similar capacity. Later, as Military Attaché in Spain, he aided allied



FREDERICK DENT SHARP

aviators and prisoners escaping from occupied Europe, as well as conducting prisoner exchanges.

In 1945, he went to the Far East and after duty on General MacArthur's intelligence staff, returned to G-2 in the Pentagon, where he retired at the end of 1949. He was recalled to active duty again in 1951 and served until 1953 as Executive Officer, G-2, Army General Staff. Colonel Sharp, with twenty years service in Military Intelligence, is considered one of the first officers to specialize in this duty. Among his decorations are the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, and Paraguay's Cross of the Defender and Bolivia's Order of the Condor for his Chaco War service to both countries. Colonel Sharp was a member of the Virginia Branch of the Society of the Cincinnati.

Colonel Sharp is survived by his wife Ellanor Longstreth Sharp; two sons, Frederick Dent Sharp III and Charles Longstreth Sharp; nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

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David Wood Griffiths

NO. 6029 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 14 February 1967 in Arlington, Virginia, aged 70 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

FEW GRADUATES of the Class of November 1918 had a more interesting or varied career than that of David Wood Griffiths. David was born in Chicago, Illinois, on 5 November 1896. He was the son of G. Charles and Mary Canfield Wood Griffiths. His father was principal of a Chicago high school and his mother was an accomplished musician. Consequently, he grew up with an educational and cultural background and became a voracious reader at an early age. Because of his reading ability, he went through the grades on an irregular schedule, graduating from high school at such an early age that his parents considered him too young for college and entered him in the Chicago Art Institute. Before entering West Point with a senatorial appointment in 1916, he attended Illinois University for two years.

At the end of his Plebe Year at the Military Academy, he wore stars. He maintained this high scholastic standing during the remainder of his cadet service, graduating Number One in his Class. While at the Academy, he participated in Hundredth Night, was on the fencing squad, became an expert rifleman, and was a cadet lieutenant.

Because of World War I, David's Class was graduated on 1 November 1918, at which time he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers. While on leave, anticipated orders for active service in France were not forthcoming because of the Armistice. Instead, Griffiths was ordered to attend the Civil Engineering Course, Camp A. A. Humphreys, Virginia. Since transportation between Washington and the camp was irregular, David, with several of his enterprising classmates, arrived at his destination atop a pile of lumber on a freight car. After six months of rigorous instruction at the school, he participated in a tour of observation of the European battlefields. While there, he demonstrated his facility with foreign languages, a talent which was valuable in subsequent foreign assignments.

Back in the Engineer School by November 1919, Dave graduated in June 1920, and was assigned to the 2d Engineers, Camp Travis, Texas, where he served until February 1921. He returned to the Engineer School to attend the Basic Course. After completing it, he was retained as an instructor. While on the faculty, he was assigned to the Cavalry-Engineer Rifle Team competing in the National Rifle Matches at Camp Perry. January 1924 found him in the Panama Canal Zone where he commanded an engineer company engaged during the dry season on the Military Survey of Panama.

Upon returning to the United States, Griffiths was Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Illinois from 1928 to 1932. He was then assigned as an assistant to the 6th Corps Area Engineer and later as assistant to the Chicago District Engineer, serving in that capacity until 1935. While there, he was promoted to Captain.

Dave married Katherine Heurtley of Oak Park, Illinois, in 1920, and she accompanied him to Panama. Later, she had a sad and untimely death in 1935, while he was stationed in Chicago, leaving him with a daughter Marion, now Mrs. D. V. Waldo of Washington, D.C., and a son Richard, who is with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Dave was ordered to the 1st Engineers, Fort DuPont, Delaware, in August 1935,

DAVID WOOD GRIFFITHS

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and had barely assumed command of a company when he was placed on temporary duty as Inspector of State Department Foreign Buildings in South and Central America. His already demonstrated engineering ability plus his linguistic talents undoubtedly led to his selection for this duty. He returned to Fort DuPont in December 1936, and shortly thereafter married Edith Grant, daughter of Major General U. S. Grant III, at Governors Island, New York. Their children were John, who is working with the United States Department of Agriculture, Frances, with the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, and Nancy, who at the time of her father's death was a student at Beloit College in Wisconsin.

David remained with the regiment less than a year and by October was in the Little Rock, Arkansas, Engineer District where he served as Assistant District Engineer until January 1941. With World War II approaching, he became a trouble shooter on military construction for the Corps of Engineers and was rapidly ordered from district to district when exceptional problems arose, serving as Assistant District Engineer in Galveston, Texas, and as District Engineer in Charleston, South Carolina, and Jacksonville, Florida. During this period, he was appointed Lieutenant Colonel and then Colonel.

In January 1944, Dave was moved to England as Assistant to the Engineer of SHAEF and as Chief of the Transportation Construction Division with responsibility for the detailed studies and planning for the artificial harbors for the invasion of France. He served in England, France, and Germany and was awarded the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, and four foreign decorations.

At the end of the war in Europe he became District Engineer in Galveston in July 1945, where he served until September 1947, when he was ordered to Athens, Greece, as District Engineer. He remained there until May 1949. At the completion of this duty he was awarded the Order of the Phoenix by the Greek Government. After returning to the United States, he served briefly as Director of Installations for MATS, but having a heart difficulty, he was retired for physical disability on 31 March 1950.

As might be expected, this active and energetic officer was not content to remain idle. He immediately joined the Ambursen Corporation of New York as an engineer consultant. In 1956, foreign fields offered greater attraction to him, and he joined the Harza Engineering Company and became Resident Engineer in Iraq on the Derbendi Khan Dam Project. Returning home in 1958, he became Vice-President and local representative of the Reynolds Construction Company, with his office in Arlington, Virginia. In this position, he made numerous trips to Turkey, Israel, and Ethiopia.

Dave finally retired from all work in 1963, when a heart attack hospitalized him for several weeks. With his varied interests he still found many activities, such as reading, gardening, drawing, and developing dioramas of Revolutionary War characters to occupy his time. In June 1964, however, he suffered a stroke which affected his speech and his understanding of speech. He worked hard at improving this condition and was eventually able to communicate adequately. His death in Arlington, Virginia, on 14 February 1967, ended a brilliant military and engineering career. He was buried with military honors in Arlington Cemetery.

Dave was a fair, tolerant, and broadminded man. His love of family was a predominate trait. His contemporaries were continually impressed with his high professional and moral standards, his devotion to the military service, and his broadmindedness which never descended into pettiness.

—H.V.C.

Richard Carrick Babbitt

NO. 6126 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 11 December 1968 in Orange Memorial Hospital, Orlando, Florida, aged 72 years.

Interment: Chapel Hill Cemetery, Orlando, Florida

RICHARD CARRICK BABBITT

DICK BABBITT WAS BORN in Independence, Oregon, 10 June 1896. He attended Oregon State College for four years before entering West Point. He graduated from the Military Academy with the Class of November 1918, an Infantryman, eager to get in the War at once. This was the month of the Armistice, and young Lieutenant Babbitt was sent to the Army of Occupation in Germany.

On returning to the United States, he served with the 5th Infantry in New England. He attended the Infantry School at Fort Benning; after graduation in 1928 he was assigned to Vancouver Barracks, Washington. Here on 12 December 1928, he and Betty Forest Brown were married, the beginning of forty years of love and devotion to each other. They were with the 15th Infantry in Tientsin, China, 1931 to 1934. Next assignment was Fort Lincoln, North Dakota, where they spent four years. It was here that I had the privilege of knowing Dick, Captain of one of the companies in that remote post. He was a fine officer, dependable, level headed, a good soldier in the most meaningful sense of that phrase. He had the loyalty and respect of his superior officers, his peers and those under his command. He took an outstanding part in the instruction and training of the Thomason Act Candidates assigned to Fort Lincoln. From Fort Lincoln, Dick went to Tank School at Fort Benning in 1938, and from there to Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1939—then to Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Early in World War II, he was sent to Camp Wolters, Texas, under command of General William Hood Simpson; there he was Executive Officer of the Infantry Replacement Training Center and earned the Legion of Merit, 1942-45. In 1945 Colonel Babbitt was ordered back to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to command the 38th Infantry. Now, at the peak of his career, with his regiment alerted for overseas, Dick fell ill while on maneuvers in Louisiana. The medics found he had an ulcer. The realization of every soldier's dream was not to be. The 38th went overseas, and Dick returned to Camp Wolters. Here he served with General Bruce Magruder until the Camp was closed. Dick was ordered before the retiring board and in September 1946 was retired for physical disability.

The Babbitts moved to Florida, and in 1948 Dick started teaching Real Estate Law. Soon he and Betty established a school of their own. The years until 1962 were busy and happy—perhaps too busy, so they sold the school and re-retired.

In 1963 emphysema got the upper hand. Many other ailments and complications made of the next few years a grim battleground, spending more time in the hospital than at home. They sold their lake front home and moved into a pleasant duplex. Dick's courage never faltered, and he came within a day of reaching that fortieth anniversary with Betty.

He lives in our memory and in the heart of many a young officer who found his career firmly based on the instruction and training and guidance of Dick Babbitt.

Friends remember a remark of his made to an intimate home gathering back in the early thirties. "In the lifetime of most of us, man will reach the moon." Richard C. Babbitt, living by and instilling into others, "Duty, Honor, Country." And a man with vision.

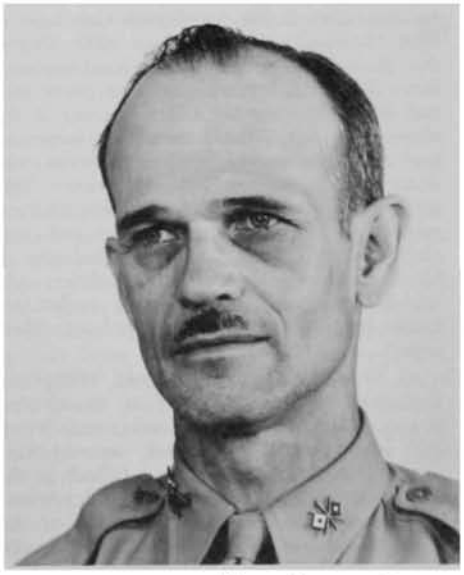
—A fellow officer and friend
Jacob J. Gerhardt '15

Wiley Vinton Carter

NO. 6218 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 27 March 1969 in Long Beach, California, aged 72 years.

Interment: Evergreen Cemetery, Riverside, California



WILEY VINTON CARTER

CALIFORNIA CLASSMATES OF WILEY CARTER are privileged to treasure many happy memories of his genial hospitality as those of us in the Los Angeles area who had gathered

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again and again to watch the Navy game on television in the pleasant Riverside home he shared with Muriel, his equally hospitable wife. It will not be possible to fill the gap he has left in our community, but we can never fail to feel Wiley's continuing presence as we recall the joys of yesteryear while celebrating present occasions.

Wiley Vinton Carter was born 19 April 1896 at Piney Creek, North Carolina, and when a small boy moved with his family to Grinnell, Iowa. He played football and basketball in high school, was graduated and for a short time attended Grinnell College. He was appointed to the United States Military Academy from the Sixth District, Iowa, entering in 1916.

Howard V. Canan writes: "Wiley and I were roommates. He was a tolerant individual. . . . We never had a serious disagreement which undoubtedly can be laid to Wiley's better nature." Wiley made the "B" squad in football, was moved up to the "A" squad for a time, made the basketball squad and played in several games. He wore the monogram and class numerals for these successes. When the Class was graduated 1 November 1918, Wiley chose the Infantry, and after his leave proceeded to the Infantry School, Fort Benning. He served at Governors Island and then was transferred to the 15th Infantry with station at Tientsin, China. While on this duty he suffered a serious illness with attendant loss in weight which he never regained. Upon his return to the United States, he served at Camp Stephen D. Little, New Mexico, where he met Muriel, the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. A. J. Dougherty. Wiley and Muriel were married in January 1923 in Columbus, Georgia. In the same year he left the Infantry for the Signal Corps, which became the area of the remainder of his active duty service to his country.

After graduation from the Signal School and service as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Carnegie Technical Institute, he attended the graduate school in Physics at Rutgers University, and the Meteorological School in Washington, D.C., finishing in 1932. He served as Meteorological and Signal Corps Officer at March Air Force Base from 1932 to 1936. As a Captain he commanded the 1st Signal Company at Fort Monmouth from 1936 to 1939. Thirty-five years later he received a heart-warming letter from the retired master sergeant who had been the company's first sergeant at the time, in which Wiley's talent for command and his qualities of leadership were well documented. Sergeant Bandy wrote: "My service under you was a most delightful experience. . . . Your calm way and rare ability to quickly analyze the problems at hand made the tasks of the officers and noncommissioned officers serving under you much lighter than would have been otherwise."

As World War II approached, Wiley had important assignments at Fort Knox, Fort Benning, 2d Armored Division, and Trinidad; and after Pearl Harbor, was returned to the United States as Signal Officer of the 6th Armored Division at Fort Smith, Arkansas. He was at Fort Knox as head of the Communications Department at the Armored School in 1943 and 1944. "He was a dignified and capable director," is the appraisal of his commanding general in that capacity. The Signal Corps sent him to North Africa and Italy as an observer, after which duty he returned to Fort Knox to head the Department of Training Literature at the Armored School. In 1945 he proceeded to the Philippines, serving from August 1945 to May 1946 as Director, Communications Division, Signal Section, Army Service Command C, later becoming Chief of Communications, Eighth Army. He was retired 1 December 1946 in the grade of colonel.

For his service at the Armored School, Wiley received the Commendation Ribbon, and for his exceptional performance of duty in the Pacific Theatre, the Legion of Merit. The latter citation reads, in part: "For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in the Southwest Pacific Area and Japan . . . in preparing Signal Corps units for occupational duty in Japan . . . with conspicuous success . . . and . . . marked competence. In Japan he most capably directed the establishment of cable facilities in the Tokyo-Yokohama area and a highly effective signal center for the service command headquarters. . . . He subsequently rendered outstanding services as Chief of Communications, Eighth Army, skillfully supervising . . . vital installations and establishing vital procurement policies. . . . By his superior professional attainments, resourcefulness and devotion to duty, Colonel Carter contributed in distinct degree to the continued effectiveness of highly important signal operations during the occupation of Japan."

Wiley is survived by his wife, Muriel D. Carter—"Murry" to her many friends—5110 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside, California; by a son, Wiley V. Carter Jr. of Los Angeles; and by a daughter, Mrs. Stanton Shamon of Phelps, New York; and by eight grandchildren. Another son, the late Major Jackson B. Carter, United States Air Force, of the United States Military Academy Class of 1954, lost his life in an accident two years ago.

Wiley fought a gallant delaying action against the heavy odds of a complicated illness over a period of several years, giving his classmates firm handshakes up to the last day of his courageous life, but finally overwhelmed, he died as bravely as he lived.

Laden with the farewell leis of his family and friends, his suffering over at last, Wiley signals us that there must be no tears of parting as his last transport casts off, drops down the stream, and sails off beyond the horizon. Rather his message, coming to us five-by-five, is like that from the sensitive pen of Walt Whitman:

Our life is closed, our life begins,
The long, long anchorage we leave,
The ship is clear at last, she leaps!
She swiftly courses from the shore,
Joy, shipmate, joy.

—Gildart, November 1918

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Thomas Henry Stanley

NO. 6542 CLASS OF 1920

Died 11 June 1944 in Tarquinia, near Civitavecchia, Italy, aged 45 years.

Interment: Highland Park Mausoleum, Ionia, Michigan

THOMAS HENRY STANLEY was born on 1 March 1899 in Weatherford, Parker County, Texas, the son of Thomas W. and Elizabeth Smith Stanley. To distinguish between the father, Thomas, and son, the family called our Tom, Henry; and in courtesy, we shall call him Henry until his arrival at West Point. The information about the family and Henry's boyhood was furnished by his eldest sister, Carrie, now Mrs. W. T. George, residing in Cleburne, Texas.

THOMAS HENRY STANLEY

Henry's father was successively teacher, high school principal, and superintendent of the Weatherford Public Schools. His mother had been a teacher; and both father and mother were interested in music and books. Henry was the youngest of the family having two older sisters. The Stanley home was a very happy one, typical of early Twentieth Century small-town America. Young Henry helped his father care for the family horse and cow and sawed wood for the wood-burning stove. However, Henry early displayed his characteristics of independence, self-sufficiency, and the courage of his convictions. He eschewed the family literary, art, and musical sessions in favor of his friends and games, his dog, roaming the woods, hunting and fishing, and Boy Scout activities. He joined the Methodist Church.

After graduation from high school, Henry's first ambition was to become a rancher; but his "cowboy" career ended quickly after he traded his good little pony for a poor horse and when he tired of milking cows and harvesting wheat. From 1916 to 1918, he was a distinguished student at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. He was appointed to the United States Military Academy from the Texas 12th Congressional District, by Senator James C. Wilson, and entered the Academy on 14 June 1918. From now on, we shall call him Tom.

As a cadet, Tom was quiet and reserved. Without apparent effort, his keen mind kept him in the top of the first sections, and he wore a star for academic excellence. He graduated third in our Class on 14 June 1920 and was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers.

After attending the Basic Course of The Engineer School, at the then Camp A. A. Humphreys (now Fort Belvoir), Virginia, Tom was assigned to the 2d Engineers at Camp Travis, Texas. His interest in horses led to his being given command of the Mounted Section of the Headquarters and Service Company. After several months, learning that the 8th Mounted Engineers at Fort Bliss, Texas, was short of officers, he boldly requested and obtained transfer to that battalion. In 1921, Tom attended Rens-

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selaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, with his other Engineer classmates, notably impressing the instructors and professors with his brilliant rationalizations. He graduated in June 1922, with the degree of Civil Engineer. While at Rensselaer, Tom demonstrated his love and ability for fast driving with his Buick roadster.

Next, Tom again enjoyed an assignment with the 8th Engineers and membership on the Engineer Rifle Team. From 1924 to 1928, Tom was Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics, first at the Missouri School of Mines, and then at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa. He and a fellow faculty member, Olive Louise Normington, from Ionia, Michigan, an instructor in Home Economics, were married on 2 July 1927. They had similar interests and led a close and happy married life. They had no children. Olive returned to her home town of Ionia, Michigan, when Tom went overseas in 1943, and died there 19 December 1954, and was entombed with Tom's remains in their mausoleum.

From August 1929 to June 1931, Tom was on duty with the Engineer Battalion engaged in the survey of a route for an interoceanic canal through Nicaragua. There occurred another example of his rugged individualism. Returning from a jungle reconnaissance, unaccompanied, he fell, severely cutting his right hand on his machete. He spent the night and the next day alone in the jungle, harassed by mosquitoes, until the search party found him. After several months hospitalization, Tom became District Engineer in Buffalo, New York, for three years and then went on to duty with the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors in Washington, D.C., for four years.

Following attendance at the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and an additional year on the Nicaraguan Canal Study at Rock Island, Illinois, Tom was assigned to the 16th Armored Engineer Battalion of the 1st Armored Division at Fort Knox, Kentucky—the birthplace of our modern Armor Arm. Tom commanded the Battalion from 15 August 1941 to May 1942. During the assignment at Fort Knox, Tom was the originator and principal developer of the Treadway Bridge, which was used extensively in Europe in World War II. At that time, the floating ponton bridge equipment in use was inadequate for the newly developed tanks. Major General Lunsford E. Oliver, who was then Armored Force Engineer, and later commanded the 5th Armored Division, credits Tom with conceiving the idea of a bridge of "treadways" from float to float—first using the then standard pontons, and later the newer rubber pontons. Tom also collaborated with the Four-Wheel Drive Truck Company in developing the crane-truck for transporting and handling the treadways. Tom was still an avid and fast automobile driver. General "Bug" Oliver says that Tom's driving time from Fort Knox to the truck plant in Wisconsin, was shorter than the train time. Tom's innate modesty and reticence kept him from being accorded the recognition he deserved for the development of the Treadway Bridge.

In today's vernacular it may be said that Tom "always wanted to be where the action was." He was in North Africa. He was on the Salerno Beachhead—as an observer, riding a motorcycle. In 1943, Tom was on the Staff of the Commanding General, Service of Supply, of the Mediterranean Theatre. He literally hounded his boss, almost daily, to be released for a field command.

In December 1943, he was assigned to command the 36th Engineer Combat Regiment. Tom's Executive Officer says "he was a superb officer in every way. He was not a man who encouraged close personal relationships, and I cannot say that there was a close personal friendship between us—but he had my utmost respect." At Anzio, one of Tom's Battalion Commanders states that he was taken to task by Colonel Stanley for visiting the front line elements of the Battalion with the words, "I am the only senior officer of this regiment who may go wandering around the front—battalion commanders are too scarce to risk losing in that way."

On the day and night of 10-11 June 1944, heavy rains caused a rapid rise in the Volturno River, threatening the stability of the bridges. The VI Corps Engineer Colonel William M. Thomas Jr., and Tom Stanley had inspected a bridge at Tarquinia near Civitavecchia, Italy, and, at about 2:00 a.m., 11 June, were taking a short cut on a dark, narrow trail during heavy rains to inspect another bridge. Tom was leading, driving his jeep—having left his driver in camp to rest. Colonel Thomas and his driver saw ahead of them the lights of Tom's jeep flip from horizontal to vertical. When they reached the scene they found Tom crushed by his jeep.

Thus was added another member to the Long Gray Line. Tom had been decorated with the Legion of Merit with an oak leaf cluster, the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and posthumously another Purple Heart, and the Honorary Officer of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. The Class of 1920 lost an illustrious member, the Academy a loyal and brilliant son, the Army and the Country an outstanding and courageous officer.

Tom Stanley's remains were returned to the United States and are entombed in the family mausoleum in Ionia, Michigan.

—Charles G. Holle
Classmate

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Lathrop Ray Bullene

NO. 6599 CLASS OF 1920

Died 5 July 1967 in the Post Hospital, West Point, New York, aged 69 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"Or Living or Dying to honor the Corps and the Corps and the Corps." I can think of no better way of starting an obituary to Colonel Lathrop Ray Bullene, United States Army Retired. The words I quote are from a sermon delivered in the West Point Cadet Chapel many years ago by Bishop Herbert Shipman, then Chaplain at West Point. He was a very dear friend of ours.

Ray was born in Kansas City, Missouri, 11 February 1898, the son of Lathrop Brockway Bullene and Byna Jane Bullene. In boyhood he attended grade school at Freehold Military Academy. His preparatory school was Culver, in Indiana, where he graduated with the Class of 1915. He majored in journalism two years at the University of Missouri and was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity. He enlisted in the Missouri National Guard, 19 June 1916, and was appointed to the Military Academy from the Regular Army, entering West Point 14 June 1918. He graduated 14 June 1920, and was commissioned in the Coast Artillery Corps.

Lathrop Ray Bullene

Ray's grandfather was Thomas Bullene, Founder of the Emery Bird and Thayer Company in Kansas City. I think that one of Ray's strong traits of character, that of building for the future, originated from his grandfather. His grandfather was building what is now one of the great fashion centers of the world—Ray was interested in building young men. As an example, when Ray was a Captain, he twice changed strikers to furnish the men a quiet place to study. One of them was accepted by Trinity College and is now a Clergyman in the Episcopal Church. The other obtained a cadetship at West Point, graduated, and is now an officer in the United States Army. Ray not only opened the opportunity, but tutored the young men in his spare time. Ray's detail at West Point as Instructor in Mathematics from 1926 to 1930 brought this comment from Colonel Echols, then Professor in the Department, "This officer is an excellent inspiration to young men."

It was during his last year as Instructor that I met Ray. The courtship was short and the proposal so typical of the man. He remarked that he was due orders and wanted to leave West Point as a married man—not be single when he reported to his next assignment. Needless to say, he reported at Fort Monroe for the Battery Officers' Course at the Coast Artillery School, a very married man. That was the beginning of the thirty-eight happiest years of my life.

Ray had had previous duty at Fort Monroe. Immediately after graduation from West Point, he attended the Basic Coast Artillery Course there. Following that, he served with the 282d Company, the 23d Company, and with A Battery, 59th Coast Artillery, in the Philippines from 1923 to 1925. He loved the Philippines dearly, and maintained a great interest in its progress and development.

Following the Battery Officers' Course at Fort Monroe, Ray was assigned to the 64th Coast Artillery in Hawaii; he became Adjutant for the Regimental Commander, Colonel Richard Williams, and I was introduced to life on a Regimental Post. During our three-year tour, the German Ship *Karlsruhe* and the French Ship *Jean D'Arc* made good will visits. We entertained the officers of both ships, and they graciously returned the courtesies. Ray spoke fair German and very good French. He formed a friendship with Commander Geisler that continued many

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years—until Hitler started his march in Europe. The Commander was then assigned to the staff of the Navy High Command in Berlin. His Mother was a titled British Lady. It was difficult for us to reconcile in our minds such a fine officer and gentleman following a man of Hitler's calibre.

After three years in Hawaii, we returned to the States and to Ray's station at Fort Hancock. He was detailed to Fort Tilden for practice firing of the large seacoast guns which had not been fired since World War I. Next, Ray was offered a station at Fort Totten, where, having been promoted to Captain, he proudly became a Battery Commander for the first time.

Again, we went to foreign service—Fort Amador, Canal Zone. There we fulfilled the old Army saying, "Go out two, and come back at least three." Our first son, Lathrop Drew Bullene was born at Gorgas Hospital. Ray, now a Major, spent much of his time on troop duty in the field. The grave situation in Europe cast its shadow, making field maneuvers a more serious game, and even flavoring the active social life of foreign service. After two years in the Canal Zone, Ray, then a Lieutenant Colonel, was assigned as Executive Officer of the 67th Coast Artillery Regiment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While Ray was somewhere in South Carolina, engaged in the extensive Red-Blue Maneuvers, our second son, Ray Mitchell Bullene, was born. On that eventful Sunday, 7 December 1941, baby Mitchell and I returned to our home in Southern Pines from the hospital; and five hours after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Ray's Regiment departed for Patterson, New Jersey. There, they set up an antiaircraft defense, and then Ray was successively assigned to Coast Artillery Units on similar missions at Seattle, Washington, and Providence, Rhode Island.

In 1943, Ray was in the Mediterranean Theatre, participating in the Salerno Landing, the Italian campaign, and serving in North Africa at Marrakech, Algiers, and Casablanca, as Instructor in Artillery and Gunnery with the French Tangier Section. The Republic of France awarded Ray honorary commissions in two French Regiments—he was particularly proud of the one in the Foreign Legion; both Regiments honored him with memorial services.

Upon Ray's return to the United States, at the end of the War, among his assignments was establishing and commanding a Receiving Station for prisoners being returned from overseas, at Fort Hancock—a Post he loved since stationed there years before. Subsequently, he was Commandant of the United States Disciplinary Barracks at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Ray enjoyed both of these assignments—it gave him the opportunity to be close to the soldier; to apply his particular abilities to dealing with individuals, administer justice with absolute fairness, humanity, and understanding. Upon taking command at the Disciplinary Barracks, he promptly dismissed the customary guards of the Commandant; he never had occasion to reestablish them. The prisoners recognized his fairness and respected him for it.

The last assignment of Ray's Army career was with the Recruiting Service. He was ideally equipped for that duty; he was interested in people; he had a fine voice for public speaking, in person and on radio and television; and his heart was in his work. Ray retired as Commander of the Southern New York Army and Air Force Recruiting District, 14 September 1948. His first post retirement home was in Montclair, New Jersey. There he was made Honorary Chief of Police, a member of the West Orange Cabinet, Chamber of Commerce, and Civics of the Oranges and Maplewood. After retirement he took some courses at the Teachers College in Montclair. He was Instructor in Mathematics at Staunton Preparatory Academy, Commandant of Oakland Military Academy, Registrar and Director of Junior School at Carteret, West Orange, and was on the staff of the Peekskill Military Academy.

After the death of our oldest son, Lathrop Drew, we moved to Highland Falls, New York, where Ray died, on 5 July 1967.

In closing this obituary, I have by no means saved the least of his fine qualities of character for the last. Ray served his God and his Church as he served his Country. He was licensed a Lay Reader in the Diocese of New York by the late Bishop Manning. He was active on the Governing Staff of the Cathedral in Honolulu, and also the Cathedral in Panama. He served on several vestrys and headed many young men's groups. He was buried with full military honors from his beloved Church, Holy Innocents, Highland Falls, New York. The interment was in the Cemetery at West Point. Another true son of the United States Military Academy, and proud member of the Class of 1920, has gone to join the Corps of the past. I quote as our farewell, Bishop Shipman again, "Grip hands with us now though we see not, grip hands with us, strengthen our hearts."

—Ray Mitchell Bullene, Son
Eleanore Drew Bullene, Wife

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Donald Frank Stace

NO. 6646 CLASS OF 1920

Died 29 December 1968 in Santa Monica, California, aged 68 years.

Interment: Los Angeles, California

DONALD FRANK STACE

DON'S GREAT AND REVERENT appreciation of privileges experienced in his fine life of service to his country seemed to be expressed by his complete enjoyment of gardening. The beautiful flowers that he raised in his charming garden in all seasons brought great pleasure to his many friends and encouraged them to improve their own gardens. Throughout his retired years he concentrated on this rewarding hobby.

Born 4 July 1900 at Grand Rapids, Michigan, he attended grade school and graduated from the Catholic Central High School in that city. Appointed from Michigan, he entered the Military Academy on 17 June 1918, graduating on 15 June 1920. As a cadet, he played on the hockey squad and qualified as sharpshooter on the rifle range. He established a reputation as a serious, hard worker.

Promoted in the Army to Second Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps 2 July 1920, he attended the Basic Course, Coast Artillery School, Fort Monroe, Virginia, September 1920 until his graduation in June 1921. At that time his many friends at Fort Monroe wished him well in his detail to the Air Corps at Carlstrom Field, Florida, but at the same time felt sincere regret to have him leave the Coast Artillery.

Enjoying continued success and winning his wings in December 1921, he was transferred to the Air Corps on 17 July 1922. Having graduated from the Air Corps Pursuit School at Ellington Field, Texas, he was assigned to the 1st Pursuit Group, Selfridge Field, Michigan. Here on 14 October 1922 he won the 1st Pursuit Group Trophy Race (Brigadier General William Mitchell Trophy) in an MB3A biplane at the then high speed of 147.8 miles per hour.

After graduation from the Air Service Engineering School, Maintenance Engineering Course, in 1923 at McCook Field, Dayton, Ohio, his service included many assignments related to engineering in addition to his pursuit squadron duties. From such duties in Hawaii from 1924 to 1928, he was assigned to the Field Service Section at Wright Field, Ohio, until 1931, then he was detailed as a student at the Air Corps Engineering School for a year. While in Hawaii, Don married Kathleen LaRue on 11 July 1927.

His service following graduation from the Air Corps Engineering School in 1932 included Assistant Depot Supply Officer, San Antonio Air Depot, Air Corps Supply Officer, Brooks Field, Texas, and duty in the Office Chief of Air Corps, Washington, D.C. He graduated from the Air Corps Tactical School, Maxwell Field, Alabama, in 1939 and the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1940, after which he was assigned to the Air Corps Western Procurement District, Santa Monica, California, as Factory Representative at North American Aviation. While in the Los Angeles area, he performed executive duties with this district as a Major from July 1940, Lieutenant Colonel July 1941, Colonel March 1942. From March 1943 to June 1945, he served as District Supervisor and upon promotion to Brigadier General in November 1943, as Commanding General, Service Command, Western District, Air Transport Command.

Further wartime service followed as Director of Air Supply, Pacific Ocean Area at Hickam Field, Hawaii, June-August 1945; Deputy Chief of Staff, A-4 of the United States Air Staff, August-October 1945; Commanding General, Guam Air Materiel Area and Seventh Air Force, October 1945-June 1947; Chief Industrial and Plans Division, Headquarters Air Force, Washington, D.C., June-December 1947. He then served as Commanding General, Middletown Air Materiel Area for a tour of duty beginning in December 1947. After this his final assignment was as Commanding General, Western Procurement District, Los Angeles, where he

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retired in August 1951 for physical disability. During his active service, he was awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and Air Commendation Ribbon. He also received from Great Britain the Most Excellent Order of British Empire, Degree of Honorary Commander.

Don and his wife Kathleen then lived comfortably in a small, attractive home with generous garden space in west Los Angeles. Here she died in early 1958, and he lived quietly, absorbed in his gardening hobby despite considerable handicap from arthritis. Don and Kathleen had no children.

Among their good friends during years in the Los Angeles area were Colonel and Mrs. Arthur E. Danielson. In December 1959, Mrs. Danielson, nee Josephine Marian Norfleet, who was widowed in 1954, and Don were married. She came to live in his home and joined enthusiastically in his gardening hobby. They also continued happily active association with their many close friends in California until her untimely death in 1966.

Again Don sought consolation in his beautiful garden until it became necessary for him to submit to major surgery in 1967 at the Veterans' Administration (Wordsworth) Hospital in west Los Angeles. After a quite remarkable recovery and return to his home for several months, he found further hospitalization necessary at the Veterans' Administration. Again, after satisfactory progress, it was determined that further hospitalization was not required, and Don was moved to a civilian convalescent hospital in Santa Monica in early December 1968. Here he continued to make satisfactory gain until he suddenly succumbed to a stroke on 29 December 1968.

Don's friends were truly saddened to lose his affable, genteel, and cordial association that brought real pleasure to so many throughout his life. Surviving him are one sister Miss Margaret A. Stace of Traverse City, Michigan, and a niece Mrs. William Daniels of Bloomington, Illinois.

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Lyman Lincoln Judge

NO. 6671 CLASS OF 1920

Died 3 June 1967 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, aged 68 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

LYMAN LINCOLN JUDGE WAS BORN 24 December 1898 in Manson, a town some twenty miles west of Fort Dodge, in Northwest Iowa. He grew up there, graduating from Manson's Grammar School and High School. He always wanted to make the Army his career, even though his father did not much favor it, so he took the prep course at the Marion Military Institute in Alabama, where he met a number of his future West Point Classmates. He received appointments to both Annapolis and West Point, but chose the latter.

At the Academy, Lyman attained a fine balance between the serious and the lighter sides of Cadet life. He ended up the Supply Sergeant of K Company. Upon graduation, he was commissioned in the Cavalry, and assigned to the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas. After completing the basic course at Fort Riley, he went to the 14th Cavalry, Fort Des Moines, Iowa. The basic course at Riley had perfectly qualified him for his duties, so Lyman was soon "at home" in the regiment. An enthusiastic and accomplished horseman, he also took up polo and horse show activities. He became an outstanding polo player.

LYMAN LINCOLN JUDGE

In 1922, at a dance at the Country Club, Lyman met a pretty debutante, Georgia McClelland, a native of Des Moines, who was in her second year in college. They fell in love and were married that year.

After a full four-year tour at Fort Des Moines, Lyman was sent to West Point as an Instructor in the Department of Natural and Experimental Philosophy. Their years at West Point were among the best of their lives, Georgia recalls. Not only did the work fit in perfectly with Lyman's talents as a mathematician, but they relished the horse activities—the horse shows, and the frequent rides over the wooded hills. He excelled in polo. As a member of the West Point Officers' team for a period, he had the highest handicap of any player in the indoor circuit of the New York Metropolitan Area. Furthermore, their relations with the head of the department were most happy.

After four years in the Phil Department, Lyman was assigned to the 7th Cavalry at Fort Bliss, Texas, where he again was active in polo and other horse activities. He performed his troop duties well and received the confidence of his Commanding Officer, being made the Regimental Adjutant. His reminiscences of that period of two years were full of stories of the famous old Calvarymen he knew at Bliss, and the amusing and sometimes difficult service while on maneuvers in the mountains and desert.

Lyman returned to the Phil Department at USMA for the period 1931-1936. In 1936, he took the advance course of the Cavalry School at Fort Riley.

In 1937, the Judges went to the Presidio of Monterey, California, where Lyman was assigned to the 11th Cavalry. He was a troop commander, and again a regimental adjutant. This regimental adjutant service seems to have set the pattern for the rest of his military career.

About 1940, General Joseph Stilwell was ordered to establish Fort Ord, near Monterey, as one of the big training camps. He selected Lyman as his Adjutant General. Lyman demonstrated inherent qualities of efficiency, organizational and administrative ability, and a year later was transferred to the Army Air Force. He was made Adjutant General of the Sixth Air Force, Panama Department. When Lyman went on foreign service, Georgia and Judy moved to Atlanta, Georgia.

In 1944, Lyman returned to the States as Adjutant General of the Fourth Air Force, with station first at the Presidio of San Francisco, later at Hamilton Field. His family lived in San Francisco during this time.

In 1948, Lyman was made Adjutant General of the United States Air Force, with office in the Pentagon. On him fell many critical and difficult responsibilities in organizing and directing the numerous ramifications of that big new agency. Among other things he had to set up its Publications Division, and altogether he had 1,200 people working under him. I recall attending joint meetings in the Pentagon at that time, which were concerned with such joint problems as officer assignment—there was still some overlap between Army and Air Force administration, and with the publication of Regulations and Manuals having common application. Lyman was impressive, as the Air Force representative, and his ideas and proposals were sound, based on exact knowledge, good judgment, and common sense. His homework in those days and nights was tremendous.

Lyman was a great success in this vital assignment, but the Air Force organization, did not then, and has not since, allotted one of its general officer slots to its Adjutant General, so he did not get the stars he so richly deserved.

In the meantime, the recurrence of an ulcer complaint that had started when he was in Panama, determined him to seek early retirement. He accepted an excellent position on the editorial staff of the Military Service Publishing Company in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He and Georgia bought an attractive home in Camp Hill, west of Harrisburg, that faced the golf course of the West Shore Country Club. They were thus able to get in a lot of golf, which he kept up almost until his fatal illness in 1967.

I joined the same firm in 1954, and thus came to know Lyman well. He was a fine editor, accurate, meticulous, and with a sharp eye for detail, as well as a broad grasp of the many aspects of producing military literature. At that time, the Military Service Publishing Company had a number of contracts with the Army and Air Force, and Lyman was invaluable as an Editor. Some of the better known books he edited and sometimes rewrote were *The Officer's Guide*, *The NCO's Manual*, and *The Airman's Guide*. He became a genuine specialist in the principles of personal finance for the serviceman, including insurance, and was often at work on revision of books on those subjects, which were used as texts at West Point and the new Air Force Academy. The Chief Editor, General Sweet, admired Lyman's work and spoke of him in the highest terms.

Lyman's incisive mathematical intellect, and his keen perception, also gave him skill at such recreational hobbies as bridge and chess. In fact, he was a man of many talents and abilities, and would have made a success at any one of a number of professions. But, what many of his friends did not know, he had a more artistic side to his character. He loved music and played the cello and the piano. He was fond of the theater—a form of art that he had ample opportunity to cultivate by seeing good plays on the New York stage during their long years at West Point.

Lyman had a warm, friendly nature. A gregarious person, he liked people, enjoyed visiting with them. In my first orientation tour of the Telegraph Press, when he conducted me through the plant, I was amazed to find that he knew and called by name, everyone of the hundred or more employees we encountered. This friendly approach was, of course, reciprocated. Everyone liked Lyman.

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Lyman resigned from the Stackpole Company (successor to Military Service Publishing Company) in 1965. He and Georgia planned to travel to Europe for a year, before settling down somewhere in the New York area, not too far from their daughter, Mrs. Donald G. Roulett, and her children—three sons and a daughter. But just prior to departure, Lyman had a mild heart attack, and was in the hospital for two or three weeks. They cancelled their reservations and returned to Harrisburg. They continued their golf and other recreations, but on a decreasing scale, as additional ailments took their toll. Fortunately, Lyman was spared one of those long, cruel terminal illnesses that beset many of our contemporaries. On the evening of 3 June 1967, he laid down for an after-dinner nap from which he did not awaken. Another coronary had carried him away.

Lyman's Episcopal graveside services were at West Point a few days later, where he is buried next to our Classmate, Basil Thayer. Present besides members of his family were Bessell, E. C. Johnston, and Nye. As always, it is hard to say good-bye. But there can be no lasting sadness as Lyman joins The Long Gray Line. He fulfilled his destiny, and is remembered by all who knew him as a man of fine character and a true friend.

—*Wilbur S. Nye*

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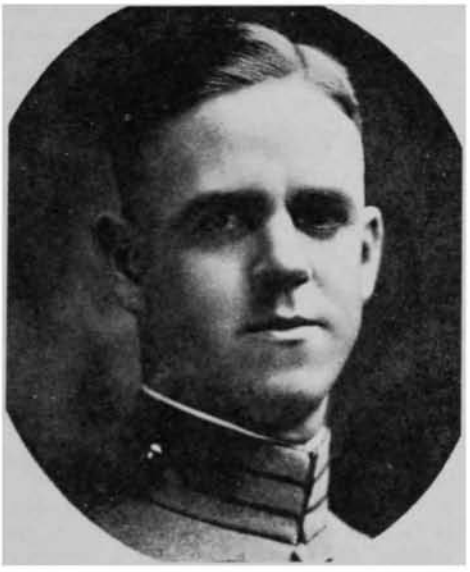
James Miller Rudolph

NO. 6767 CLASS OF 1920

Died 17 June 1952 in Nashville, Tennessee, aged 55 years.



JAMES MILLER RUDOLPH

JAMES MILLER RUDOLPH was born on 17 August 1896 in Clarksville, Tennessee. His father, Robert S. Rudolph, was a tobacco exporter and broker. It is of interest to note that Miller's father and mother were first cousins—both members of a well-known and respected family in the Clarksville area.

After graduation from high school Miller enrolled at Southwestern University, now at Memphis but then located at Clarksville. The records of this university indicate that he earned his football letter in his freshman year. After the entry of the United States in World War I Miller enlisted in the Army and served briefly at Camp Funston, Texas.

Miller was appointed as a cadet, United States Military Academy from the 6th District of Tennessee by Congressman Byrnes. Soon after Beast Barrack days he acquired a nickname which was destined to remain with him for the remainder of his life—"Relentless." This appellation seems to have been inspired by a cartoon character of that day named Relentless Rudolph, a villain known for his resourcefulness and persistence. Armed with this fierce name, Miller sought to be the nemesis of the plebes who followed his class. These cadets soon learned, however, that his "bark was worse than his bite" and that his apparent severity was merely intended to lighten the burden of cadet routine.

Graduating with his class on 15 June 1920, Miller chose the Cavalry as his preferred arm of the service. This decision seems to have been influenced by his enjoyment of horsemanship, a pleasure which was never dulled through long hours of riding to a slow trot without stirrups. His service as a student officer at the United States Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas, seems to have been rewarding but without any newsworthy incidents.

Upon graduation from the Cavalry School, Miller was assigned to the 6th Cavalry Regiment at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. For the next five years he seems to have followed the usual routine of a young bachelor officer: training recruits, participating in horse shows and in polo games, and taking part in the pleasant and gracious social life of the Chattanooga area.

In common with many other young officers of that period, Miller gradually acquired a sense of discouragement and this, plus a desire for more education, caused him to submit his resignation from the service. His resignation was accepted on 21 January 1926.

During the years 1927 to 1929 he served as Commandant of Cadets at The Marion Institute, Marion, Alabama. In this important position he left the stamp of his character on many preparatory students who later attained rank and distinction in both the Army and the Navy.

Also, while serving at Marion, Miller met his future life partner, Elizabeth Judkins Smith; and they were married at Wetumpka, Alabama, on 17 February 1928. This union was blessed with two children: Mary Lamar who later became the wife of James R. Wheaton Jr., Class of 1950, and Henry S. Rudolph.

Following his service at Marion Institute, Miller enrolled as a graduate student at the University of Alabama and was awarded his Master of Arts degree in 1930. He then served for one year as Principal of the Michigan Military Academy. Then followed an assignment of some twelve years as Commandant of Cadets, Roosevelt Military Academy, Aledo, Illinois—a service for which he is still fondly remembered.

Miller then responded to a call from the Howe Military School in Indiana where he served as a tactical officer for one year. He then accepted a position on the faculty of the Pennsylvania Military College, serving for two years as an instructor in mathematics. His next period of service is best described in the words of the present Superintendent of the Valley Forge Military Academy: "I personally remember him as a fine instructor in our academic department where he taught for two or three years prior to the Second World War. He was a dignified gentleman who at all times represented the highest ideals of the United States Military Academy. As such he was a definite asset to our total program of education and training at Valley Forge."

After a few business ventures in Shreveport, Louisiana, and elsewhere, Miller's health gradually deteriorated and, on 17 June 1952, he departed this life in Nashville, Tennessee. The writer's personal recollection of this classmate is that of a generous, warmhearted, outgoing man with a lively sense of humor. His closest friends were all better men by having known him. He was destined to lead no gallant charges of horsemen or to wear the multiple stars of rank, but he was destined to perform service of even greater import: that of influencing and shaping the lives of young men who were, in later years, to become leaders in the various areas of our national life. No one can ever perform a greater service.

—*C.E.H.*

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Frederick Edward Phillips

NO. 7206 CLASS OF 1923

Died 7 December 1968 at the Veterans' Administration Hospital, Albany, New York, aged 67 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

FREDERICK EDWARD PHILLIPS

WEST POINT LOST one of its most loyal sons when Freddie Phillips joined the ranks of the Long Gray Line on 7 December 1968. Fred fought a hard, five-year battle against an incurable illness. On many occasions, the doctors in the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Albany where Fred was treated thought that the end was near, but he fought back time and again. It was a tribute to his great heart and bull dog tenacity. The Director of the hospital said that Fred had died "honored and respected by all of us."

All through Fred's long struggle for life his devoted wife, Arline, stood by and comforted him. He was also constantly in the hearts, minds, and prayers of his family and friends.

Fred was born on 11 June 1901 in Kingston, New York, thirty-five miles up the Hudson from West Point. His parents were Edward Henry and Mary Hunt Phillips, both natives of New York State.

Fred graduated from Public School No. 5 in Kingston and from Kingston High School. At an early age, he set his mind on going to West Point. In preparation he attended Braden's Preparatory School, Cornwall-on-

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Hudson, New York, for a number of months in 1917 and 1918. On 5 August 1919 he entered West Point with a Congressional appointment. He graduated on 12 June 1923, the day after his twenty-second birthday.

He was appointed Second Lieutenant Infantry and was assigned to the 18th Infantry, Fort Slocum, New York. He resigned from the Regular Army in 1925. While stationed at Fort Slocum, he met Miss Arline L. Johnson, and they were married in Pelham Manor, New York, on 19 September 1925.

In the same year, Fred was commissioned Second Lieutenant Field Artillery, Officers Reserve Corps (now the United States Army Reserve). He was later transferred to the Infantry; was promoted to First Lieutenant in 1932 and served as such until 1937.

After entry of the United States into World War II, he was commissioned Major, Army of the United States, in 1942 and was assigned as Executive Officer, Officer Candidate School, Chemical Warfare Service, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland.

Later in 1942 he attended the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, after which he returned to Edgewood Arsenal, where he served until 1 March 1943. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in December 1942.

From 1 March 1943 until April 1944, Fred commanded the Third Provisional Training Regiment, Chemical Warfare Service Unit Training Center, Camp Sibert, Alabama. In this assignment, Fred was responsible for organizing, training, supplying, and administering his regiment which was composed of varied types of special Chemical Warfare units. He was commended for this service in these words: "His tactful handling of officers and men, his superior judgment in administration and supply, his resourcefulness and initiative became an invaluable asset to the Chemical Warfare Service. His untiring efforts aided materially in the successful accomplishment of missions assigned to the Chemical Warfare Service Unit Training Center."

In 1944 Fred was transferred to the Office of the Chief of the Chemical Warfare Service, Washington, D.C. There he was in charge of the Training Inspection Division, and he supervised training inspections of units throughout the United States.

Major General Alden H. Waitt, Chief, Chemical Warfare Service, commended Fred for this service as follows: "The initiative, understanding of military training requirements in the field of Chemical Warfare and outstanding devotion to duty . . . contributed materially to the successful preparation of War Department units in Chemical Warfare matters."

Fred was honorably relieved from active duty on 12 December 1944 for physical reasons due to impaired hearing. He was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army Reserve in 1946. He was retired as Lieutenant Colonel, Army of the United States, on 1 July 1961.

In civil life, prior to World War II Fred was employed briefly in 1925-1926 by Johns-Manville Corporation, New York City, and A. I. Namm & Co., Brooklyn, New York. In 1926 he entered the United States Treasury Department, New York City, as an investigator. He became employed in 1929 by the legal department of the Federal Alcoholic Control Administration of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

He entered Fordham University School of Law, New York City, and graduated in 1930 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the Bar in 1932. In 1934 he was employed by the National Industrial Recovery Administration. Later he reentered the legal department of the Federal Alcohol Control Administration and served in it until 1939. From 1 April 1939 until his entry into active military service in 1942, he was engaged in the private practice of law in New York City.

After World War II, he was Assistant Chief Attorney from 1945 to 1951 in the U.S. Veterans' Administration office at Watervliet Arsenal, Watervliet, New York. In 1951-52 he was employed as Trial Attorney in the Albany District, the Office of Price Stabilization. He was retired from the federal civil service effective 1 March 1953.

Fred entered the employ of the Division of Military and Naval Affairs of the State of New York on 1 October 1952 as Claims Assistant in the Adjutant General's Office, Albany, New York. He was promoted to Claims Officer on 16 August 1956 and served in that capacity and as Assistant Legal Officer or Assistant Counsel to the Division, until his retirement from the service of the State in 1965.

On 1 July 1953 he was appointed Colonel, Judge Advocate General's Corps, New York Guard, and was assigned as Judge Advocate, Headquarters New York Guard, Albany. He was transferred to the State Reserve List in 1963 and to the State Retired List in 1965.

For his World War II service, Fred was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant and an oak leaf cluster, representing a second award of the ribbon. In addition, he was awarded the American Theater Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, and the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross.

Fred loved his family, his church, his country, and West Point. He was a Catholic Chapel Sunday School teacher for three years as a cadet. Prior to his last illness, he worked for many years in cooperation with the Admissions Division of the Military Academy, trying to interest qualified high school students to apply for West Point. He represented the Division in the tri-city area of Albany-Troy-Schenectady, New York.

He often accompanied Coach Tom Cahill of the Army football team when Tom was plebe coach and toured the tri-city area speaking to high school groups. Fred was an ardent Army football fan. Every football Saturday at Michie Stadium he and Arline drove down from Albany to root for the Army team.

Tom Cahill wrote Arline after Fred's death: "Though Fred's final illness was a difficult thing, it came as no surprise to me that he battled to the very end. He possessed the fiber of a champion. The entire Football Staff joins me in extending our sympathy."

In 1962 General William C. Westmoreland, then Superintendent of the Military Academy, wrote Fred as follows: "I would like to express our deep appreciation for your long record of strong support of West Point through your invaluable aid to the admissions program, cadet awards and in many other ways."

The President of Fred's Class of 1923, Major General W. Fritz Breidster, Wisconsin Army National Guard, Retired, wrote Arline in behalf of the Class. He said: "I can assure you that Freddie and you were in our hearts and minds during our last Reunion in June (1968). Our deep sympathy to you which I express for Freddie's entire Class of 1923."

Fritz, who was a guard and captain of the undefeated Army football team of 1922 has recalled that: "Freddie was one of the smallest in physique in our Class, and I was one of the largest. That always brought about a lot of fun between us because invariably when I would see him as cadets and thereafter, he would square off with me with the suggestion that he could take me in three rounds. In those days the 'runt-flanker' rivalry was current more than it is now, and it was always a happy note when Freddie and I had our words."

Fred went out for boxing as a cadet. His spirit was willing. He was a scrapper. But underneath, he was a gentle and compassionate man. Another flanker classmate, Brigadier General John V. ("Frenchy") Grombach has the same recollection of Fred, squaring off with him whenever they met. The sight of diminutive Fred in boxing stance with "Frenchy," a former intercollegiate heavyweight champion, must have been a laugh provoker. It seems to have been one of Fred's favorite causes of merriment with his large friends.

In a moving tribute, Major General A. C. O'Hara, Chief of Staff to the Governor and Commanding General of the New York Army National Guard wrote to Arline, as follows: "Fred's devotion and patriotism to the State of New York and to the Nation are legend, and his memory will live forever in the hearts of all who knew him and with whom he served."

Fred and Arline resided in Albany for seventeen years prior to his death. He was a member of the University Club, Fort Orange Post of the American Legion, and the Edward Sullivan Post, Catholic War Veterans, all of Albany.

Fred is survived by his wife, Arline; a daughter, Mrs. Charles T. (Susan Jane) Mead II, of Chester, Pennsylvania; and two grandchildren.

—*C.G.S.*

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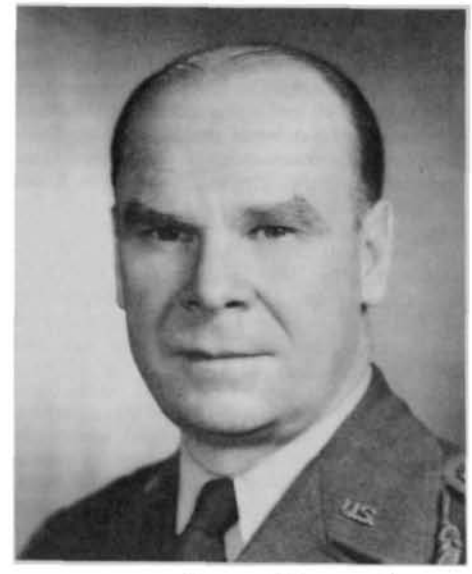
George Winfered Smythe

NO. 7545 CLASS OF 1924

Died 16 January 1969 at Fort Myer, Virginia, aged 69 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia



GEORGE WINFERED SMYTHE

WHEN THE NAME OF George Winfered Smythe is mentioned to any graduate who was either a cadet or instructor at West Point during the early 1920's, he will inevitably recall George's exploits on the football field,

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particularly his long run in the closing minutes of the Army-Navy game at Franklin Field in 1922. With Navy leading 14 to 10, George took a punt deep in Army territory and was finally pulled down within the Navy 10-yard line. Several plays later he passed over the goal line for an Army touchdown and the first Army victory over Navy since 1916. If the conversation continues, George's exploits on the baseball diamond will also be mentioned. He played center field for four years and was captain of the team his First Class Year. He was honored with the award of the Athletic Sabre by the Army Athletic Association. He had won a total of eleven "A's."

The record of George Winfered Smythe as an officer in the Army matched his splendid record as a cadet. He was assigned to the Infantry upon graduation, joined the 29th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he served for three years and then completed the Company Officers Course. He next served at Staunton Military Academy for four years as Assistant Professor in Military Science and Tactics, with the additional duty of football coach. After two years in Panama and a short tour with the 4th Infantry at Fort George Wright, he was among the first members of his class to enter the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where he graduated in June 1936. He was then assigned to the Department of Tactics at West Point and was detailed as the "tac" of C Company. A year later he became Assistant to the Master of the Sword and later was appointed Master of the Sword.

Just before the outbreak of World War II, George was assigned to duty with the 27th Infantry Regiment at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. However, in April 1942 he was sent to Washington for duty with the Army Service Forces. In January 1943 he joined the Service of Supply in North Africa, and in July of that year he was assigned command of the 47th Infantry Regiment of the Ninth Infantry Division and commanded it throughout its operations in Africa, Sicily, and Europe. In March 1945 he was promoted to Brigadier General and assigned to the 80th Infantry Division as Assistant Division Commander.

After the war, George served with Headquarters Army Ground Forces for two years and then became Chief of Staff of the Third Army at Atlanta, Georgia. He returned to Europe in 1949 and was successively Assistant Division Commander of the 1st Infantry Division and then commander of the Second Constabulary Brigade. He was ordered to Korea in early 1952 where he commanded both the 24th and 3d Infantry Divisions during combat operations there. He returned to Washington in May 1953 for duty with the Civilian Component Affairs and in September of that year became Deputy Commander of the Second Army. In 1955 George was sent to Taipei for duty as Chief of the Military Assistance Advisory Group. It was there that he had the severe heart attack which cut short his military career and eventually caused his death. After retirement he joined the faculty of the Military Assistance Institute where he taught for six and one-half years.

The many accomplishments of this brilliant career resulted in the award of the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star with oak leaf cluster, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman Badge. His foreign decorations include the French Legion of Honor and Croix de Guerre, the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, and the Belgian Officer of the Order of Leopold with Palm, Croix de Guerre with Palm, and Fourragere with two citations, and the Medal of the Order of the Cloud and Banner from the Republic of China.

Shortly after his graduation, George married Susie Hubbell Coley of Wilton, Connecticut, who was George's devoted companion throughout their many happy years of married life. Their two sons both graduated from West Point, George Jr. going into the Air Force and John, like his father, into the Infantry. George Jr. was killed in an air accident in April 1958; John has just returned from combat duty in Vietnam and is now serving in the Office of the Chief of Staff. After his retirement, George and Susie made their home in Arlington, Virginia, where Susie still resides. His loss has been a tremendous one, but the love and respect of his classmates and his many other military and civilian associates will live in their memories in the years ahead.

—C.D.E.

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Theodore Anderson Baldwin III

NO. 7857 CLASS OF 1925

Died 23 December 1966 at Fort Meade, Maryland, aged 66 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

THEODORE ANDERSON BALDWIN III

THE DEATH OF THEODORE A. BALDWIN III on 23 December 1966 marked the passing of one who might well be defined as the very definition of an Army "Brat."

His varied accomplishments, lively personality, and great energy were best illustrated by his performances on the tennis courts as noted in the '25 HOWITZER: "watching him on the courts is an education in itself." Besides being one of the mainstays of the tennis team, he was a hard-riding and hard-hitting polo player. In later years when on duty with the government, in those buildings on the Mall, he could always be depended upon to interrupt his work for a few minutes and trade clever offhand remarks with visiting classmates.

As a youth he attended Sidwell's Friends School, the Manlius Military Academy, and then to West Point. As the grandson of General Baldwin Sr. (an Indian War Fighter) he could be depended upon to spend his life where the action (and opportunity) was. Ted followed his father, Colonel Baldwin Jr., a lighter-than-air pilot, into the Air Corps. After being commissioned in the Air Corps, Ted decided to enter the business world rather than stay in the Service and resigned in 1926 for a position with the National City Company of New York. This decision perhaps somewhat influenced by his splattering one at Brooks Field! Following five years in New York he served with the United States Postal Meter Company for two years then went on duty with the Civilian Conservation Corps for five years. In this latter capacity he was on duty in Montana, Virginia, and New York. At the conclusion of the CCC Ted became Manager of the Middle Atlantic District, Seagrams Distillers Corporation. In 1946 he went with Safeway Heat Elements where he remained until 1950. He went back into Government Service 1950-1952 in the Department of State serving both in Washington and abroad with the International Security Affairs department.

On active duty during World War II Ted served from 1942-1946. He also represented the Air Corps in the Army and Navy E. Awards, and he was an Hereditary Companion in the Order of the Indian Wars in the United States.

A bachelor for several years Ted married Jane Gilbert Ralston of Philadelphia on 26 July 1938. Since retirement Jane and Ted lived in Bowie, Maryland. We who were fortunate enough to keep in contact with him over the years of his varied career will always remember with pleasure, his lively manner, optimistic outlook on life, and his ever glad-to-be-alive, and his glad-to-see-you manner.

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Alfred Judson Force Moody

NO. 12240 CLASS OF 1941

Died 19 March 1967 in Camp Radcliff, Vietnam, aged 49 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

A Salute
to
Brigadier General
Alfred Judson Force Moody
by
W. H. Moody—on behalf of his Family

At ease, my son, Our Lord is in command.

The tears we shed for you, my son,
They are not bitter tears;
They are but symbols of the faith
And love we shared for years.

Our pride in you is great, my son,
But it's an humble pride;
For us, a solace—your success—
Which will fore'er abide.

You served your country well, my son,
In quest of lasting peace;
To—HONOR, DUTY, COUNTRY—your
Devotion ne'er did cease.

And now in realms of peace, my son,
You feel a triumph, true;
That good will conquer evil when
Love fills each heart anew.

At ease, my son, Our Lord is in command.

THE ONLY SON of Ilna Force and Wilfred Hamilton Moody and brother of Ilna (now

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ALFRED JUDSON FORCE MOODY

Mrs. Robert Perkins), Alfred Judson Force Moody, the quiet, friendly, capable "Number One" graduate in the "Black Class of 1941," who shocked all the Engineers at June Week by going into the Cavalry, entered the world in New Haven, Connecticut on 4 March 1918.

After a normal and happy boyhood, Al entered the Army at Fort H.G. Wright and proceeded to the area prep school at Fort Preble, Maine. Upon winning an appointment in the competitive exams, "Ace" marched up the long hill to join E Company and spend four eventful years as a crack fencer, cadet officer, instructor, horseman and an all around friendly, warm, and down-to-earth person, respected and admired by faculty and students alike.

After graduation, he married Jean Enwright, whom he had known since childhood, and set off for the wilds of Kansas and the horse cavalry. When the big war arrived, they found themselves, after a little bouncing around in the deep South, back at West Point—Al teaching and Jean producing attractive daughters. With some effort, Al managed to get away in time to participate as a SHAEF planner in Europe and China-Burma-India and then with the troops in Okinawa and Korea before it was all over.

Upon returning, he easily acquired a Master's Degree at Yale before attacking the Pentagon, where he eventually wound up in the Army Chief of Staff's Office. Finally, freed, he and Jean boned up on their French and took Paris in their stride at the European Command Headquarters. In his usual efficient manner, Al organized himself off the staff into the command of a tank battalion in Germany, with which, in due course, he rotated back to Fort Carson, Colorado. Army War College and another tour in the Office of the Chief of Staff followed, and the Moody clan by now had reached a total of four attractive daughters—all with names beginning with J—and a fierce fraud of a Labrador named Shylock.

By this time they had assisted the local mortgage brokers' income by buying a home in nearly Virginia with more yard than bargained for. Al then managed to be shipped to Korea to command a Brigade, and Jean and the girls remained to learn more about power mowers.

Upon his sudden return—his tour being cut short by the Chief of Staff's request—he went immediately to work as the Military Assistant to the powerful Mr. McNamara, the Secretary of Defense. The job and the hours were man killing, but Al, in his usual quiet, efficient, and firm manner, became an extremely valued and trusted member of the McNamara top level family. As a result of his past splendid record plus his outstanding and dedicated performance for several years for the Secretary, he was promoted to General Officer in July 1966. In March 1967, after a short session at Fort Rucker to learn to fly helicopters, he was rewarded by being assigned as the Assistant Division Commander of the 1st Cavalry Division in Vietnam, working with his old friend and classmate, Jack Norton.

It was in this position, one he dearly loved, since he was again with troops in a command assignment, that he was suddenly stricken, while in his quarters writing a letter to Jean, with an unexpected, massive heart attack, and died, almost immediately, in the arms of his aide and the local surgeon.

On 24 March 1967, Al was buried in Arlington with full military honors, attended by his wonderful family, classmates, and friends by the score, including almost all of the top personnel of the Department of Defense and the Department of the Army, who had come to know, like, and respect him.

On the 20th of March, Easter Sunday, his comrades placed a plaque in his memory on the altar of the 1st Cavalry Division Memorial Chapel as a part of the dedication ceremony at An Khe, Vietnam.

Jean and the girls are continuing to serve and carry on the Moody esprit here in the Washington area. Jean and youngest daughter, Joy, are maintaining the homestead. Joan uses it as a base of operations to attend a nearby college, heading toward a journalism career. Jay is married to an Army Lieutenant stationed here and has recently made Jean a grandmother, and eldest daughter Judith, married to an Annapolis Marine Captain, is here awaiting his return from his second Vietnam tour.

The memory of Al will live on for all of us who knew him as a quietly brilliant, down-to-earth, practical leader and a friendly, efficient, and warm person, who could adjust to any situation or level of society with ease and sincerity. His family, the Class, the Army, and our country have all lost an unusually gifted officer and gentleman.

—JMJR—41

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George Hamilton Stillson Jr.

NO. 12407 CLASS OF 1941

Died 22 June 1968 in West Hyannisport, Massachusetts, aged 52 years.

Interment: St. Francis Xavier Cemetery, Centerville, Massachusetts

GEORGE HAMILTON STILLSON JR.

GEORGE HAMILTON STILLSON JR. arrived at West Point on that hot July 1st in 1937, secure in the knowledge that his career choice was a firm one and that four years in the Academy were the next step toward his goal of military service. He won his appointment through an Army enlistment after attendance at the University of California, so he brought a background of academic and military knowledge which was useful at West Point. Possessed of a brilliant mind which could have earned the stars of a distinguished cadet for his collar, George was always ready to help a less able student, while he devoted much of his time to his beloved athletics. He earned letters in track and soccer, although his quick reflexes and natural ability brought pleas from Billy Cavanaugh to join the boxing squad. George faced his world with a quick smile and a friendly jest and only occasionally would he share his worries or concerns. He was quick to help others, and gratitude only embarrassed him.

After graduation that picture in his cadet locker became the reality of Ellen Louise Lawlor of Greenfield, Massachusetts, where they were married. Ellen's love and steadfast courage were indispensable parts of George's life as they entered those days of turmoil and strife which lay ahead of all of us in 1941. George was commissioned into the then Army Air Corps and served his country with the same quiet efficiency which characterized his cadet career. When George retired from the Air Force in 1966, his career had taken him from flying medium bombers in the Pacific during World War II, into SAC Bomber commands, SAC Survival School Training Command, Air Force Intelligence in Korea, England, Washington, and finally back to his beloved Hawaii where he started his military service as a private in 1935. This time, however, he served as Director of Targets for the Air Force in the Pacific, and the Legion of Merit was added to the other ribbons on his chest. Through these years in Intelligence, George had stoutly maintained his belief that the gathering of meaningful intelligence is a subtle art which had been too long neglected by our nation.

Ellen and George were blessed with six children: George H. III, Judith, twins Diane and Laurence, Priscilla, and Thomas. They established their retirement home in West Hyannisport on Cape Cod in a house they built for this purpose several years ago, and George settled down to wait out the various "conflict of interest" barriers which affect employment opportunities of Retired Regulars.

George died suddenly in June 1968, and another of West Point's sons completed an honorable and unselfish tour of duty. Besides Ellen and the children, he left his father in Paradise, California; two sisters, Mrs. Henry Anderson of Orinda, California, and Mrs. Margaret Breck of Berkeley, California; and two brothers, Stanley of Orinda, California, and Lieutenant Colonel James (USMA 1949) United States Air Force.

George was a communicant of Our Lady of Victory Church in Centerville and was buried with full military honors in St. Francis Xavier Cemetery in Centerville, Massachusetts.

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Harold Dow Swain Jr.

NO. 14672 CLASS OF 1945

Died 4 August 1968 in an automobile accident at Montgomery, Alabama, aged 46 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

HAROLD DOW SWAIN JR.

IN HIS JOURNEY from birth in Illinois to interment in Arlington National Cemetery, Hal most thoroughly lived the terse motto of his Alma Mater. Sooner than many and more intensely than most, he adapted his life style to the selfless requirements of "Duty, Honor, Country" and made these precepts uniquely his own.

Hal's duty in the U. S. Air Force following graduation included transition to fighter aircraft and initial overseas assignment to the Philippines. There he was ultimately joined by his bride, the former Anne Elizabeth Dirks. They had married in the fall of 1945. To them were born four children—Harold D. III, Robert F., Patricia, and John C., all of whom survive him, as does Anne.

Stateside assignment subsequent to his Philippine tour included duty at Lackland Air Force Base. After that, as a matter of career specialization, he began graduate studies at the University of Illinois. Hal had attended this university before entering the Point. His later studies there culminated in his receiving a Master's Degree in Economics, and oriented the remainder of his career toward Budget and Fiscal assignments. At the time of his death he was Director of the Comptrollers Course in the Air University at Maxwell AFB. His promotion to full colonel came in 1968.

Hal's commitment to Honor went beyond the basic requirement for personal integrity. It was, as he saw it, a simple requirement that one ought not only tell the truth, but live it. Those who knew him felt this in both personal and professional relationships. It was a campfire on a high mountain—visible at great distances, pleasantly warm to those nearby, hot enough to burn those who sought to intrude upon it.

To his Country, Hal gave the full measure of devotion, combining therein his interpretation of high professionalism and uncompromising rectitude. Throughout his career he maintained his aerial proficiency. His last foreign service was with the 460th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing in Vietnam. Among many decorations awarded him during this tour was the Distinguished Flying Cross. The accompanying citation says in part, "Colonel Swain was flying a highly classified reconnaissance mission against hostile forces during adverse weather conditions. . . . The professional competence, aerial skill, and devotion to duty displayed by Colonel Swain reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."

The gentle words of John Magee graced the services which were a memorial to Hal. They comfort those of us who knew him:

"I've topped the windswept heights with easy grace
Where never lark, or even eagle flew—
And, while with silent lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand and touched the face of God."

—John R. Karr

Richard Sharon Pohl

NO. 15779 CLASS OF 1946

Died 24 June 1968 in a helicopter crash at Thieu Thein Province, Republic of Vietnam, aged 42 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

FOR RICHARD POHL, son of Colonel and Mrs. Herman H. Pohl, the Army was the way of life. His father, USMA—August 1917, had a distinguished career in the Corps of Engineers. Several uncles had careers in the Army and Navy. He and his sisters had a typical Army upbringing with their share of changes of station. From Fort Bragg, he entered West Point where he had spent four years of his childhood. There he excelled as a star performer on one of the Army's best swimming teams. In 1945 his natural style and strength were important factors when Army dealt Yale its first defeat in dual competition in ten years.

Following graduation in 1946, Rich became an Artilleryman. During the next twenty-two years, he added lustre to a family tradition of outstanding service combined with the enjoyment of the finer things of life.

On the completion of the Artillery basic courses in 1947, Rich Pohl married Anne McMorrow, who also came from an Army family. Their life together was a happy one. They were one of the most popular couples on every post where they served. From Fort Riley to Japan (Rich subsequently went to Korea in 1950), back to Fort Sill, to Germany, to Fort Leavenworth, to the Pentagon, to Panama, to Fort Bragg, and to the Air War College, Anne and Rich Pohl made a home in which it was always a pleasure to visit. Clare Boonstra, present U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica, who served with Rich on the staff of U.S. Southern Command in Panama, expressed the sentiments of his many friends when he said, "Seldom have I ever been so fond of a friend as of Rich — his kindliness, his energy, his inquiring mind, his unfailing good humor were such a delight to us all."

RICHARD SHARON POHL

The many interests that he shared with his family included camping, photography, astronomy (he built his own telescope), archeology, woodbuilding, and servicing and rebuilding the family automobile. Their four children—Sharon, Richard, Susan, and David —were brought up in the manner that should insure them the same joy and happiness that their parents knew.

Professionally, Rich Pohl was an accomplished airborne Artilleryman. He possessed the many fine attributes of a great military leader. He personified the qualities of integrity, loyalty, unselfishness, confidence, and resolution. Loyalty and respect for each individual were dear to him. He insured that his subordinates were treated with the same consideration that he rendered his superiors. Truly unselfish, he never thought of personal advantage, only of what he could contribute to help his men and his unit and the units he was supporting.

As a combat soldier Rich Pohl was a pro, having seen some of the toughest fighting in both Korea and Vietnam. His calmness, knowledge, and assured manner added stability to the combat situation, regardless of how difficult or chaotic it might be. He was an inspiration to his men. His outstanding conduct in the heat of battle won for him the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (four oak leaf clusters), the Air Medal for Valor (three oak leaf clusters), the Army Commendation Medal (two oak leaf clusters), and the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star.

Rich Pohl's dedication to duty and great professional competence earned him the prized assignment of 101st Airborne Division Artillery Commander in July 1967. Knowing that deployment to Vietnam was imminent, he worked selflessly to prepare his officers and men for combat. This was a team effort, for Rich and Anne worked to make the many families of the Division Artillery officers feel welcome and at home at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. They engendered an esprit that really paid off, for the conduct of the 101st Airborne Division Artillery in Vietnam under Rich Pohl's command was outstanding. A fellow commander in Vietnam describes him as a leader whose adaptable, wide-ranging talents were a source of inspiration to all who knew him, and above all, as a leader who left numberless loyal friends at all levels of his command and of the commands with which he worked.

On 30 September 1968, at the dedication of Pohl Bridge across the Huong River in Nam Hoa District, Thieu Thein, South Vietnam, close to where Rich was killed, Major General Melvin Zais, Commanding General of the 101st Airborne Division, said: "Colonel Pohl was an extremely able, sincere, and dedicated Army Officer. His twenty-two years of military service reflect his dedication to his country, his high sense of honor, and his

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complete devotion to his soldierly duties. This remarkable and brilliant officer was truly destined for very high positions of responsibility in the Army.

"His loss has been deeply felt by the 101st Airborne Division, the Army and his Vietnamese comrades. He loved the people and soldiers of the Vietnamese province in which he worked. It was his belief that we must free the people from aggression so that they may press ahead with the task of building their nation.

"His service in Vietnam impressed upon the minds and hearts of all the men who knew him that he was brave, honest, and gallant. Colonel Pohl will always be remembered as an outstanding American soldier, a gentleman, and a friend of the Vietnamese people. This bridge will help his memory to live."

Those of us who knew Rich Pohl will always remember him as calm, imperturbable, self-contained, and happy. He was unselfish, a sincere friend, a devoted husband, a deeply dedicated father, and a truly outstanding Army Officer. On the day of his death in Vietnam he was doing what he was trained to do—doing what he wanted to do.

General Andrew P. O'Meara, who was Rich's boss for three years, best expressed the feelings of all of us who knew him when in writing to Anne last July he said of Rich: "He was at the height of his powers, doing a job for which he was superbly equipped, and doing it in a fashion which was recognized as magnificent both by his superiors and his subordinates. The future was bright indeed and the present was full of satisfaction."

Rich Pohl will be sorely missed, but the high ideals by which he lived and the shining example he set will provide undying inspiration to all who knew him.

—Colonel Kenneth C. Van Auken

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Robert Campbell Rounding

NO. 18618 CLASS OF 1952

Died 21 February 1968 at Palmdale, California, aged 40 years.

Interment: Air Force Academy Cemetery, Colorado

"WELL DONE; BE THOU AT PEACE." How often have we sung together those immortal words from the Alma Mater, Bob; and how well you have earned the right to have them said of you.

In the months since Lieutenant Colonel Robert C. Rounding passed from this life, there has been a heartwarming, spontaneous outpouring of praise from many of those whom he knew and helped. There is no finer tribute than these expressions of gratitude and admiration from those who were encouraged by his example and counsel. The tributes take many forms but all testify to his great compassion for his associates. By profession he was a pilot, a scholar, an administrator, and a professor, who excelled in each role. But in the close relationships he developed with others, he excelled even more as a friend, an ally, a confidant, and a sympathizer. His life of service and courage continues to inspire his family and countless friends. May the sadness at our loss be replaced by a rededication to the values his life exemplified.

Bob was born 7 June 1927 at West Roxbury, Massachusetts, attended Boys' Latin School in Boston, and was graduated from Newton High School in 1944. He participated in the World War II Naval Aviation and

ROBERT CAMPBELL ROUNDING

Army V-12 programs and attended the University of Michigan. An appointment to West Point then started him on what turned out to be an outstanding military career.

His cadet days were characterized by industry and enthusiasm which were good indicators of his capacity for future accomplishments. Perhaps we remember him best as an energetic cheerleader inspiring us to shout the Rabble on to victory. As a Yearling, Bob met his one-and-only, Beverly O'Connell of Long Island, New York; and they were married on graduation day, 3 June 1952.

A commission in the Air Force began Bob's long list of accomplishments. Following flight training at Bartow, Florida, and Bryan, Texas, he was assigned to Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida, and then to the Air Defense Command at McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey, in November 1953. After nearly three years there, interrupted only by Squadron Officers' School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, Bob was sent in June 1956 to Oklahoma State University for studies leading to a Master's Degree in Mathematics. Thus the professional pilot began his career as a scholar and professor.

He joined the faculty of the Mathematics Department at the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1958 and was soon named an Assistant Professor. As evidence of the Department's confidence in his ability, he was sent for two years' study at Colorado State University, which conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematical Statistics in June 1965. On his return to the Academy he was appointed Tenure Associate Professor.

Then, in a way perhaps known only by men in uniform when the bugle blows for battle, Bob decided to make his contribution in Vietnam. He was granted a sabbatical leave from the Academy, and successfully completed parachute training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and Survival School at Fairchild Air Force Base in Washington. On 1 February 1968 he began F4D Phantom training as Student Commander of his class at George Air Force Base, California. During a landing approach on his third training flight, the aircraft fell out of control, killing Bob and a companion.

It is not easy for those whose lives were affected by Bob's genuine concern to adjust to his absence. Family, classmates, fellow pilots, and instructors, Air Force Academy cadets whom he counselled—each feels the loss in his own personal way. But, by his example, Bob helped inspire a higher standard for the remaining years of our lives. In addition to his teaching duties at the Academy, he was in charge of a Branch of the Mathematics Department, and was given responsibility for selecting officers of outstanding potential to be new instructors. His attributes of leadership and professional excellence were admired and emulated by hundreds of cadets and officer associates. He belonged to three professional societies and was elected to the honorary societies Sigma Xi and Pi Mu Epsilon. He was listed in *American Men of Science*.

In Colorado Springs, Bob was a member of the Kiwanis Club and was Vice President of the Optimist Club.

Beverly and their three fine children, Todd, Brad, and Julie continue to live near the Academy, at 7381 Grashio Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907. The heritage of professional performance of duty, courage, and kindness left by Bob will continue to inspire them, as well as all of his friends and classmates for years to come.

—J.E.L.

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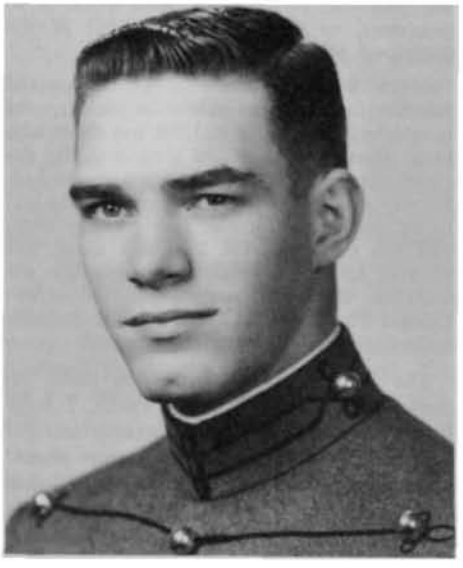
Donald Walter Holleder

NO. 21077 CLASS OF 1956

Hostile death, Vietnam, 17 October 1967, aged 33 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

"IF YOU DOUBT THE AXIOM, 'an aggressive leader is priceless,' if you think grandstand quarterbacks are few at West Point, if you prefer the air arm to the infantry in football, if you are not convinced we recruited cadet-athletes of superior leadership potential, then you must hear the story of Donald Walter Holleder." So began the chapter entitled "You Are My Quarterback," in Red Blaik's book, and so, in turn, one is reminded of the great end-turned-quarterback for his final football season at West Point. It is a classic story of the individual giving up personal glory in the interest of helping the group and, after the great trauma of defeat and the intense criticism, the final redemption that day in Philadelphia when the Great Experiment paid off in victory. This is Holly's story, and it vividly reflects Holly's life, for despite adversities and setbacks, Don's un-



DONALD WALTER HOLLEDER

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remitting goal and passion in life was service: service to family, to team, to country, and to God.

He was, of course, much more than a great football player, athlete, and competitor, but his athletic feats do reflect the strength of character, the perseverence, the maturity, and the inward forcefulness that made him a man among men. He died very much as he lived, with the total commitment to the team of which he was a part, and we are all much richer for having known him, admired him, and loved him.

Born in upper New York and brought up in a deeply religious family, Don's life was not without tragedy. He lost his father as a boy, but was blessed with a mother of great character and strength. Don's life prior to West Point was filled with athletic feats at Aquinas, the large Rochester school that combined so well the scholastic, religious, and athletic elements and which helped mold Holly's character. By his senior year in high school, Don was a strong, agile football end who received considerable scholastic All-American attention and who was sought out by a number of colleges and universities. Frank Lahey, the great coach at Notre Dame, was particularly anxious to recruit this seventeen-year-old, rawboned 170-pound end, but Doc Blanchard of Army managed to hit upon the key element of Holly's character—the element of service.

Holly's athletic career at West Point needs little recounting. Arriving just as the Academy was emerging from the throes of the shattering experience of the "cribbing" scandal, Don, above all others, was to prove that there was no discrepancy between the ideals and aims of the United States Miltiary Academy and an active intercollegiate athletic program. As a Plebe, he was a promising end on a fine freshman team, a strong rebounder of the plebe basketball team, and a cadet with considerable military aptitude. The demands of athletics took their toll, and Don's native intelligence and good sense were well tested in the academic classroom. The four-year academic curriculum was a constant challenge to Don, and as the years passed and the demands of athletic fame increased, it was a very tired Holly who stayed up well after his roommates went to bed to struggle with the vagaries of juice, fluids, solids, and particularly English, which came closest to "doing him in." Those who feel that the super athlete at West Point has it made should have studied Don those four demanding years—no myth about West Point is so persistent, or so incorrect, as that of the pampered athlete.

Much has been made of Don's personal sacrifice for the team when he took up the quarterbacking chores in 1955, yet those who knew Don realized at the time that the decision was made as the question was asked. He was asked by someone he greatly admired to do something for the good of the team, and the only question in Don's mind was whether he would weaken or strengthen the team in the new position. But to refuse Colonel Blaik was to Donald Walter Holleder unthinkable.

The 1954 Army football team roster included such names as Bobby Farris, Tommy Bell, Pete Vann, Ralph Chesnauskas, Pat Uebel, Dick Stephenson, and many others: the air-strike combination, Vann to Holleder. As the season progressed, the sports writers were well aware of Holly: "If there has been an All-American performance in the East this season, it was Holleder's yesterday. . . .," "His touchdown catches were gems . . . he turned on a burst of speed to beat the defenders. . . ." Yet the season ended with a frustrating defeat by Navy.

Prospects for the 1955 season were not too promising. Holleder's conversion by Blaik from an end of All-American calibre to quarterback was a touchy proposition at best. Filling the position vacated by Peter Vann, a great passer, Don was subjected to much criticism because of his passing. The Great Experiment had its detractors. Three defeats led up to the Navy game where the West Pointers faced the fine Welch-Beagle combination. Herman Hickman's comments in *Sports Illustrated* prefaced the big game, "Colonel Blaik's Great Experiment was designed primarily for use against Navy. Holleder, one of the greatest competitors football has ever seen, may be a bear at his new position in the game that matters. . . . It certainly would be a personal triumph for him (Colonel Blaik) and Don Holleder if the cadets come through." And come through they did, after an initial Navy touchdown. There was no question that Don deserved a great share of credit for the victory.

Don got the opportunity to play end in intercollegiate competition one last time at the North-South game at Miami's Orange Bowl the day after Christmas, 1955. He was named the outstanding offensive lineman for his superb play at his old position.

Don, of course, was also a fine basketball player. His finest moment may have been the 1954 ARMY-Navy basketball game when he came in late in the game to rebound superbly, despite an injured leg, and preserve a victory over a tournament-bound Navy team.

West Point was a challenge to Don, but he thrived on challenges. When he graduated as Cadet Captain, Company Commander, winner of the Army Athletic Association Award for the outstanding football player of the Class, All-American End, winner of the Swede Nelson Award for Sportsmanship, the applause rocked the West Point Field House. The applause was not only for a great athlete, but for a man who had given much of himself to West Point in his four years and who had already demonstrated the desire to give equally as much in the service of his country.

After graduation, Don began a career in the Infantry, his chosen field, although he had a great passion for flying and had been disappointed that he was unable to pursue a flying career.

He married Caroline Pierce on 28 December 1957, in a beautiful ceremony at Fort Myer Chapel. Don and Caroline were to be blessed with four lovely daughters in the next eight years as they spent their lives together in Hawaii, at West Point for coaching and scouting duties, at Fort Benning for the career course, at Fort Monroe, and at Fort Leavenworth for Command and Staff College. A year in Korea brought Don further honors, for he was selected as the outstanding company commander in Korea, a well-deserved honor for a man who was an inspiration to all with whom he served. When told he was to be sent to Europe after the year at Leavenworth, Don worked to get his assignment changed to Vietnam.

He died as he had lived; the willingness to make great personal sacrifices prevailed to the minute of his death. The *Newsweek* article a few days after his death demonstrates the man Don Holleder was. "With the Viet Cong firing from two sides, the U. S. troops now began retreating pell-mell back to their base camp, carrying as many of their wounded as they could. The medic Hinger was among those who staggered out of the bush and headed across an open marshy plain toward the base 200 meters away. But on the way he ran into big, forceful Major Donald W. Holleder, 33, an All-American football player at West Point . . . , going the other way—toward the scene of the battle. Holleder, operations officer for the brigade, had not been in the fight until now. 'Come on Doc,' he shouted to Hinger. 'There are still wounded in there. I need your help.'

"Hinger said later: 'I was exhausted. But I have never seen such a commander, and I ran after him. What an officer! He went on ahead of us—literally running to the point position.' Then a burst of fire from the trees caught Holleder. 'He was hit in the shoulder,' recalled Hinger. 'I started to patch him up, but he died in my arms.' The medic added he had been with Holleder for only three minutes, but would remember the Major's gallantry for the rest of his life."

The funeral was held on a clear, crisp, football day at the same chapel in which he and Caroline had been married just ten short years earlier. His family, friends, classmates, and admirers overfilled the interior of the church and spilled over onto the surrounding grounds. Friends came from Rochester, from West Point, from North Carolina, Minnesota, Colorado—all on short notice to honor Don. The honorary pall bearers included Red Blaik, his coach; Hank Emerson, his favorite tactical officer; Pete Vann, the other half of the great Vann-Holleder passing combination and the closest of friends; Tom Cahill, friend from Don's coaching days at West Point and present Army coach; Bill Crites, company mate and friend; George Bryant, lifelong friend from Rochester; and Bob Urquhart, his closest friend and fellow Aquinas star. His two roommates were there with Don's family, and the Generals, Congressmen, press, and TV people were all there in numbers to honor Don publicly for the last time. Senator Robert Kennedy, who was soon to meet untimely death himself, wired his condolences, as did Vince Lombardi and many others.

Don was no ordinary man, and when one has been close to greatness, the loss of that greatness is harder to bear. We are all much better for having known him. Whether the acquaintance was long or brief, each was unforgettable. No one who ever saw him play football will ever forget his ability to execute the impossible play or catch the pass that was seemingly overthrown. For Don there were no impossible dreams, only challenges to seek out and to conquer.

God in His infinite wisdom has taken Don from our presence, but not from our hearts. We mourn for him, but we should not, for he was at peace with God when he died, and although his life was short, it was so full of the enthusiasm for life's challenges that Don would probably not want to change its course if he had his life to live over.

Many awards, scholarships, and honors have already been established in Don's name, and there will surely be more. There is no better man to honor in this way. All West Pointers can be proud of Donald Walter Holleder. His thousands of friends and millions of fans salute him for his character and supreme courage.

—Major Perry M. Smith
Classmate

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Edward Beeding Quill Jr.

NO. 21123 CLASS OF 1957

Hostile death, Vietnam, 15 February 1968, aged 33 years.

Interment: Air Force Academy Cemetery, Colorado

EDWARD BEEDING QUILL JR.

THE LOSS OF ED left a great void in the hearts of his wife, his children, and his parents. This is a void that is only partially filled by memories. In the case of his wife, there are memories of his devotion to her and the children and of the pleasures and successes that they enjoyed together. In the case of his parents, the void is tempered, first, by the wonderful family that is left to them, his wife Joan and three fine children, two sons, Stephen and Patrick, and a daughter, Sharon, and second, by the memories of their pride and pleasure in the growth and accomplishments of a marvelous only son. His wife Joan has extended to Ed's father the honor of writing this memorial for which he is grateful.

Ed was born in Houston, Texas, on 16 October 1934. He spent his early years in travel. His father held a civil service position with the Federal Government involving continuous travel, and he did not maintain a fixed home but drove with Ed and his mother to different assignments in the family automobile. By the time Ed was of primary school age he had traveled over most of the United States. During his first two years of primary school he attended schools in Houston, Texas, Washington, D.C., New York City, San Francisco, and Chicago. Academics came easily for Ed, and he maintained top averages in these and other schools. Travel imbued Ed with an independence and self sufficiency which he retained during all of his life.

Following the outbreak of World War II, Ed's parents moved to Washington, D.C., and it was there that Ed completed his primary and high schooling and became enthusiastic about the idea of becoming a West Point Cadet and a career officer.

After graduation from grade school, academically at the top of his class, Ed won a scholarship, by competitive examination, to St. Johns College (high school) in Washington, D.C. He graduated at the top of the class of 1952. Because of his academic standing, he was awarded an Archdiocesan Scholarship to Catholic University in Washington, D.C. He was also awarded academic scholarships to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, New York, and Chicago University at Chicago, Illinois. All of these scholarships were declined by Ed in favor of West Point for which he was given a principal appointment by Senator McCarran of Nevada for entry to the Academy in 1953. Since Ed had graduated from St. Johns in 1952, he elected to take a one-year preparatory course at the Sullivan School. On the examination for entrance to West Point in 1953 Ed made a total academic point score of 2280 compared to a passing requirement of 1350. With reference to this, the published statement of the Sullivan School for the 1952-1953 academic year reported: "One of our boys received one of the highest total marks ever received on the West Point entrance examination. His total mark was 2280, ten points higher than the number one Presidential."

Ed entered West Point on 7 July 1953. He and his parents enjoyed his four years at the Academy. Looking forward to letters and planning visits to the Academy added to the pleasure of his parents. They boasted with pride to their friends of his accomplishments and worried about the many demerits which he accumulated with his inherent independence by deviating from prescribed rules. In keeping with his name, he may be known at the Academy for being "Quilled" and also for cheerfully walking off the resulting demerits on the area.

Academics at West Point were easy for Ed. He was on the Dean's List and was a Star Man for each of the four years. He graduated tenth in the Class of 1957 and elected to enter the Air Force.

Upon completion of primary and basic pilot training, Ed was awarded his pilot's wings at Webb Air Force Base in Texas and was assigned to the Day Fighter Gunnery School (F-86F) at Williams Air Force Base near Phoenix, Arizona, where he became a member of the Mach Busters Club. It was while Ed was there that he met Joan Cooper of Phoenix, a fine girl, whom he married upon completion of his assignment at Williams.

After the honeymoon in April 1959, Ed was assigned to bomber training at McConnell Air Force Base. Upon completion of this assignment he and Joan spent three and a half years in SAC at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base where he served as co-pilot on a B-47 bomber.

Ed entered the California Institute of Technology as a graduate student in September 1963. He was awarded a Master of Science in Aeronautics Degree in June 1964 and was assigned as an instructor in the Department of Mathematics at the Air Force Academy. He was Assistant Professor of Engineering Mechanics at the Academy in 1966 when he requested a leave of absence for a tour of duty in Vietnam with the understanding that he would return to his assignment at the Academy when the tour was completed. His reasons for volunteering were to contribute to a cause in which he believed and to gain experience which would be invaluable in his teaching at the Academy.

Ed left for Vietnam on 27 October 1967. He was assigned to the Fourth Air Commando Squadron at Bien Hoa and flew his first mission as a co-pilot of an AC-47 on 15 November 1967. He was transferred to the 14th Air Commando Squadron "B" flight, Phan Rang Air Base, on 12 January 1968.

During his relatively short period in South Vietnam Ed had completed more than sixty missions. He was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Purple Heart and three Air Medals.

The Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded for Ed's action as an AC-47 Pilot in defense of a Special Forces Camp near Loc Ninh, Republic of Vietnam on 29 November 1967. Ed was also posthumously awarded an Air Force Commendation Medal for his teaching at the Air Force Academy, particularly for outstanding abilities and efforts which resulted in superior understanding on the part of the students of fundamental engineering concepts and specifically the relevance and importance of these important concepts to basic engineering applications in the United States Air Force.

Ed was co-pilot on an AC-47 aircraft returning from a night mission on 15 February 1968 when it crashed in rugged hostile country approximately twelve miles southwest of his air base. There were no survivors. The recovery crew reported that the aircraft had been hit by ground fire, and this apparently caused the crash.

Ed was deeply religious and possessed an inherent desire to help others. All who knew him will agree with the following tribute which was written to Joan by a classmate stationed in South Vietnam: "One of the greatest tragedies of war is that our finest people are called upon to make the greatest sacrifices. Luckily, and through the grace of God, many of our Nation's finest do return. They return to grasp the reins of leadership. Ed is one of those who will not return. It is not only your loss, but it is a loss to America and free men the world over.

"Ed was one of our finest. He was exceptional; for he was outstanding in every task he undertook. Ed was a rare combination of academic and athletic abilities blended with common sense and high ideals. He could do and did everything extremely well. The top was the only limit for Ed because he was a fierce competitor who utilized his inborn and developed abilities. He was a brave comrade and trusted friend. Ed epitomized the ideals of West Point: 'Duty, Honor, Country.'

"He was devoted to his family and to his God. What more could be said of one man, one of our most able young leaders on his way to the top.

"To me, Ed was much more than a loyal friend. Perhaps the words have not yet been invented which express the profound comradeship I felt with him and the respect I had for him as a fellow officer and as a man. In our younger days, those desperately trying days when we were earning our pilot wings, an unseverable bond grew between us. We roomed together, drank together, and laughed together. We shared triumph, disaster, and turmoil. We talked often about many things and shared our aspirations. Through thick and thin we survived. Yes, Ed was much more than a friend.

"And now he has been struck down on the ladder of success, on his path to the stars. Surely this fits into the great plans of the Master of Men. Ed did not die in vain. He is a monument to those of us who knew him and to free men everywhere. Now he is close to God."

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Richard Klemm Boyd Jr.

NO. 23117 CLASS OF 1960

Died 26 October 1967 in Vietnam, aged 29 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

RICHARD KLEMM BOYD JR.

RICHARD KLEMM BOYD JR. was born at Fort Benning, Georgia, on 9 April 1938, the only son and second child of Colonel and Mrs. Richard Klemm Boyd (USMA '31). He thoroughly enjoyed the full life of an Army brat, eagerly looking forward to seeing new places, making new friends, and, above all, meeting and coping with new challenges. His father's assignments enabled him to attend school in Germany as well as at Fort Benning, Fort Monroe, and Carlisle Barracks. During these formative years, Dick was an enthusiastic participant in the Scouting Program achieving the rank of Eagle Scout and being inducted into the Order of the Arrow at age thirteen.

Dick graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, in 1956. His great respect for Andover and the friendships he made there were well known to all who were close to him. He actively sought every opportunity to visit with his Andover classmates and did so whenever the rigors of Cadet life permitted. The esteem they felt for him was evidenced by the number of his friends who periodically ventured up the Hudson to see their crony who had traded the charcoal gray of the Ivy League for Cadet gray.

Having successfully won a Presidential appointment for the Class of 1960, Dick entered the Military Academy on the third of July 1956. This was one of the most important days in his life—the fulfillment of his boyhood dreams. He often reminisced about the thrill it was for him to be sworn in as a member of the Long Gray Line following in the footsteps of his father; his paternal grandfather, Captain Charles T. Boyd, Class of 1896, killed in action in 1916, during the American expedition against Pancho Villa; and his maternal grandfather, Major General Ralph M. Pennell, Class of 1906, who served as Commandant of the Artillery Center at Fort Sill and following his retirement, as President of the Fort Sill National Bank. In addition to his father and two grandfathers, a great uncle, Colonel Karl D. Klemm, Class of 1905, and two uncles, the late Colonel Robert Pennell, Class of 1939, and Major General Osmund A. Leahy, Class of 1940, also preceded him as members of the Corps.

Dick's indomitable spirit and quick wit emerged during Beast Barracks. He became a source of inspiration to those of us who were not so sure that there were better days ahead. He stood tall and proud, his tight-lipped smile, often misinterpreted, reflecting the confidence of a man who knew where he was and where he was going.

During his four years as a Cadet, he accepted academics as a necessary means to an important end. He concentrated on tactics, became fluent in French, and availed himself of every opportunity to pursue his favorite avocations: skiing, sailing, and golf. His agility on the lacrosse field and the wrestling mat were significant contributions to D-2's perennial possession of the Banker's Trophy. His leadership ability resulted in his being selected as a Corporal during "Cow Year" and as a Lieutenant, the Battalion Training Officer, First Class Year.

Following his graduation on 8 June 1960, he returned to his birthplace as an Infantry Second Lieutenant to attend his Branch Orientation Course and enhance his qualifications as an Infantryman by completing the Airborne and Ranger Courses prior to joining the 1st Battle Group, 7th Infantry. While in Germany, he volunteered for duty in South Vietnam where he served in 1963 and 1964 as an advisor to the South Vietnamese Army in the Mekong Delta and in J3, MACV. His fluency in French enabled him to gain quick acceptance and greatly enhanced his effectiveness during these early years of the advisory effort. For this service in Vietnam, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Upon returning to CONUS, he was assigned to the 5th Infantry Division (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, where he commanded Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry. During this assignment he began work toward a Master's Degree in Political Science at the University of Colorado, attending class in the evening. He became particularly interested in the governments of Asia and Africa. While participating in DESERT STRIKE, he became aware of the potential advantages of employing mechanized forces in Vietnam.

His outstanding performance of duty as a company commander led to his selection to be the Aide-de-Camp to Major General Joseph E. Bastion Jr., Deputy Commanding General of 5th Army. In that job, he particularly appreciated the change to meet young National Guard officers.

While attending the Infantry Officer Advanced Class, he again volunteered for duty in Vietnam. He joined the 1st Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division on 29 June 1967. Less than two months later, he assumed command of Company B, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, on a morning following a fierce all-night battle with North Vietnamese regulars. Under Dick's inspirational leadership this company would soon see more sharp battles. During the following weeks of continual short contacts with enemy elements, a bond of love and devotion grew between the men of Battling Bravo and their new company commander. From the platoon leaders down to newly assigned privates, everyone felt that Dick was a professional soldier—skilled, courageous, tough when necessary, and completely dedicated to his men and the tasks at hand. Some voiced their deep respect for him in conversations with their friends: others simply followed him in a manner indicative of great respect. They gave him their very best, and he more than reciprocated. Under Dick's command, a new spirit was born in B Company.

On 2 October 1967, on a search and destroy mission his company became decisively engaged with two enemy companies occupying fortified positions. For his exceptionally valorous action that day, Dick was awarded the Silver Star. The citation accompanying this award, presented posthumously to his parents, reads in part: "As the point platoon assaulted the initial enemy bunker system, it was pinned down. Captain Boyd directed that two platoons move forward to assist the pinned down platoon. Personally leading the maneuvering force from the point element, he started across an exposed area and was immediately brought under intense automatic weapons, rifle, and rocket fire. Observing that two of his men had been seriously wounded and were lying in an exposed area of hostile fire, Captain Boyd immediately, and with complete disregard for his own safety, rushed forward through the intense fire and pulled the men to safety. Captain Boyd then directed that one platoon give covering fire for the maneuvering element in order to withdraw its casualties and disengage the enemy to allow supporting artillery fire to be called in. Dazed by enemy rocket fire which wounded four, Captain Boyd regained his feet and, still exposed to the enemy fire, moved among his men's positions giving them encouragement and directing their fire. Captain Boyd remained continuously exposed until his wounded had been removed to safety."

The outstanding leadership and courage displayed by Dick that day were characteristic of both his high sense of duty and his respect and regard for those who served under him. His actions enabled B Company to deal effectively with a numerically superior enemy force while sustaining minimum casualties.

Three short weeks later, while on perimeter defense near Chu Lai, Dick's company was subjected to an intense enemy attack. During this attack, an enemy grenade fell at his feet inflicting multiple metal fragment wounds. On 26 October 1967, Dick died of these wounds. He was posthumously promoted to Major.

On 4 November, a rainy Saturday morning, Dick was buried with full military honors at his Alma Mater in the presence of the family he loved so dearly and many of his classmates and friends. Although our sorrow at the loss of this dedicated soldier is great, his generous spirit and will to win the battles of life live on in all who knew him. The impressions he made are indelible. All who came into contact with him are fortified by their memory of his buoyant love of life, his devotion to duty, and his abiding concern for the welfare and happiness of his fellow man. He truly lived "above the common level of life" and left us with an ideal toward which all should strive.

As a permanent tribute to their son, Colonel and Mrs. Boyd have established a scholarship in his name at Phillips Academy, Andover. Sons of career members of the Armed Forces are given primary consideration for this scholarship.

In addition to his parents, who reside in Gibson Island, Maryland, Dick was survived by his sister, Barbara Beatty, of Washington, D.C., Major General Pennell, and his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Richard H. Hawkins, of Baltimore, Maryland.

—A Roommate

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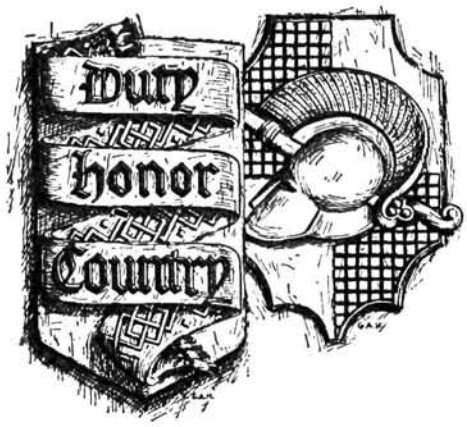

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the Summer 1969 ASSEMBLY.

Name	*Class*	*Date of Death*	*Place of Death*
Ora E. Hunt	1894 20	August 1969	Berkeley, California
Reynolds J. Burt	1896 19	September 1969	Haute-Savoie, France
James A. Woodruff	1899 20	August 1969	San Francisco, California
Clarence S. Ridley	1905 26	July 1969	Carmel, California
Herbert B. Hayden	1907 23	August 1969	New York, New York
John K. Brown	1908 7	September 1969	Long Beach, California
John T. Kennedy	1908 26	September 1969	Columbia, South Carolina
Merle P. Schillerstrom	1909 23	June 1969	Denver, Colorado
Emil F. Reinhardt	1910 24	July 1969	Houston, Texas
Terry Allen	Ex-1911 12	September 1969	El Paso, Texas
George E. Stratemeyer	1915 9	August 1969	Winter Park, Florida
William F. Tompkins	1915 26	October 1969	Richmond, Virginia
William R. Wilson	1916 15	March 1969	Los Angeles, California
Morris K. Barroll Jr.	Apr 1917 5	August 1969	Martinsburg, West Virginia
Laurence B. Keiser	Apr 1917 20	October 1969	San Francisco, California
Edwin J. House	Aug 1917 18	October 1969	Winter Park, Florida
Earle E. Sarcka	Aug 1917 31	August 1969	Shaftsbury, Vermont
Henry M. Alexander	Jun 1918 16	September 1969	Charleston, South Carolina
George B. Barth	Jun 1918 16	August 1969	Ticonderoga, New York
Joseph P. Catte	Jun 1918 29	September 1968	Cocoa, Florida
John Mesick	Jun 1918 10	July 1969	Natchez, Mississippi
Benjamin F. Chadwick	Nov 1918 19	September 1969	San Antonio, Texas
Beverly C. Snow	Nov 1918 1	September 1969	Salem, Virginia
Walter S. Wood	Ex-Nov 1918 1	August 1969	Silver Spring, Maryland
Escalus E. Elliott	1920 26	December 1968	Columbus, Ohio
Frederic L. Hayden	1920 29	July 1969	Washington, D.C.
James R. Pierce	1922 3	October 1969	El Paso, Texas
John H. Farrow	1923 18	September 1968	Chicago, Illinois
Robert J. McBride	1924 21	June 1969	Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Clarence E. Rothgeb	1924 11	September 1969	Sandia Base, New Mexico
Roland A. Browne	1925 14	August 1969	Lawrence, Massachusetts
John J. Holst	1927 19	August 1969	Leucadia, California
Frederick R. Dent Jr.	1929 10	September 1969	Eglin AFB, Florida
Theodore R. Redlack	1929 25	June 1969	Statesville, North Carolina
Samuel L. Morrow Jr.	1930 8	July 1969	Fort Sill, Oklahoma
Charles J. Odenweller	1930 9	August 1969	Castine, Maine
Howard W. Hunter	1931 31	July 1969	Newark, New Jersey
Gilbert N. Adams	1932 27	August 1969	Charlottesville, Virginia
Herrol J. Skidmore	1932 26	August 1969	Huntington, West Virginia
Benedict Ray	1933 16	September 1969	St. Petersburg, Florida
Charles W. Thayer	1933 27	August 1969	Austria
John J. Stark	1934 25	September 1969	La Mesa, California
John C. Stapleton	1935 30	September 1969	Tucson, Arizona
George R. Cole	1937 14	September 1969	Lake Charles, Louisiana
George H. Walker	1937 31	August 1969	Fort Belvoir, Virginia
George R. Harrison Jr.	1939 27	October 1968	Fort Belvoir, Virginia
John Watt	1939 10	September 1969	Great Lakes, Illinois
Henry M. Fletcher Jr.	Jun 1943 3	October 1969	Fort Belvoir, Virginia
George S. Dorman	1946 4	August 1969	Vietnam
Jack Q. Kimball	1946 7	August 1969	Fort Belvoir, Virginia
Harold Williams Jr.	1946 30	September 1969	Oakland, California
John A. Poulson	1949 23	August 1969	Arlington, Virginia
Dale J. Crittenberger	1950 17	September 1969	Vietnam
Andre G. Broumas	1954 2	September 1969	Vietnam
Len M. Hanawald	1957 3	September 1969	Vietnam
Robert E. Olson	1958 5	February 1969	Laos
James C. Woods	1959 19	October 1969	Vietnam
Donald J. Usry	1960 25	October 1969	Colorado Springs, Colorado
Martin L. Green Jr.	1964 11	May 1969	Vietnam
James C. Kotrc	1964 29	July 1969	Vietnam
Donald W. Dietz	1967 17	September 1969	Vietnam
Frank A. Hill III	1967 3	August 1969	Vietnam
John E. Kelly Jr.	1967 25	July 1969	Vietnam
Norman L. Nesterak	1967 3	September 1969	Vietnam
George R. Sutton	1967 4	October 1969	Birmingham, Alabama
Kenneth T. Cummings	1968 4	September 1969	Vietnam
Denny L. Johnson	1968 2	September 1969	Vietnam

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