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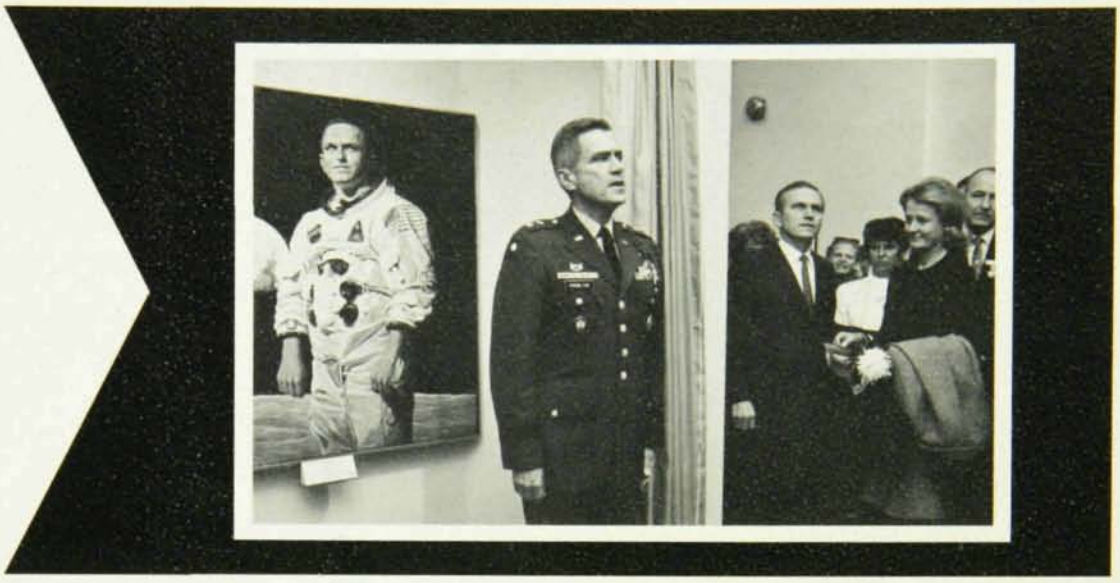

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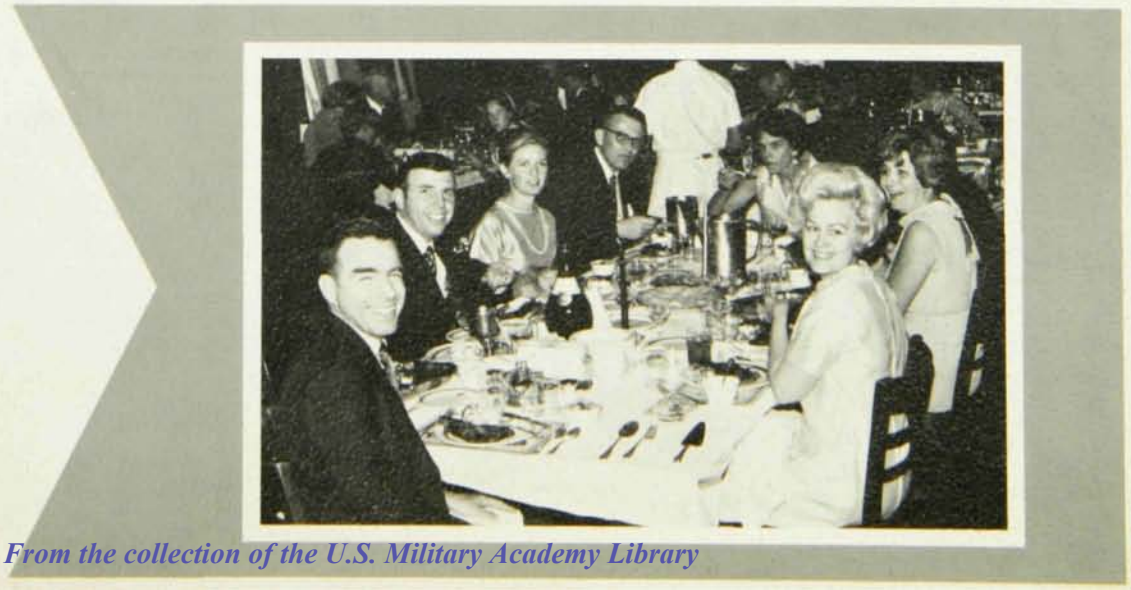

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Fellow Graduates and Friends of the Military Academy:

My letter for this issue is being written in the lull before Navy Weekend and over a week before the Army and Navy football game in Philadelphia. Because of the interest and support which alumni have given to our athletic program at West Point, it appears logical to devote this page to our fall athletic program. As you know, we have four fall sports in which we engage in intercollegiate competition: cross country, soccer, 150-lb. football, and varsity football.

The cross country season has been successful, although not as good as we would have hoped. The team has a 6-3 record against some of the finest competition in the East. It came in 5th in the Heptagonals at New York City, but was not one of the top 10 in the IC4A meet at New York City on November 16th. The schedule is complete except for the Navy meet on November 21st.

The soccer team had a highly successful season, sporting a 9-1 record, losing only to Brown in the regular season. The November 11th shutout of Hofstra (3-0) was the third in a row and the seventh of the 10 games we played this season. In the 6 games we played at home, Army was not scored upon. We accepted a bid to the 1970 NCAA Soccer Tournament, an honor in itself. On Saturday, November 14th, the team lost the District Two championship to undefeated Harwick College which is ranked No. 1 in New York and No. 2 in the nation. Our soccer team also plays Navy on November 21st for the final game of the season.

In 150-lb. football, where the weights of opposing teams are even, the Army team took the league title with an undefeated season. We have taken the title every even-numbered year after first winning it in 1957. Seven hundred and fifty spectators watched the team defeat Princeton 53-0 at Michie Stadium. We have already played Navy during the league competition, and won a 19-7 victory at Annapolis.

But all this is a prelude to varsity football, which plays such an important role at West Point. Three of the four previous seasons were highly successful. This season has produced a statistical record of 1-8-1. Although we are all aware of Vince Lombardi's maxim, which was requoted so widely at the time of his death, there are a number of interesting things about this season. The Air Force Academy suffered its sole loss of the season when defeated by Oregon 46-35. Yet the next week, the Army team stayed well ahead of Oregon for most of the game until one long run and a two point conversion in the last four minutes of the game enabled Oregon to catch us for a 22-22 tie. Baylor defeated us 10-7, and yet knocked Texas out of the No. 1 spot in the nation by holding Texas to a score of 14-21. Although Syracuse defeated us by a narrow score of 31-29, the 29 points scored by Army were the highest opposing score in a Syracuse win during 81 football seasons for that university. Joe Albano has twice broken the Academy record, both for single game pass reception, and for successful catches during a career of playing here. Arden Jensen is listed by the NCAA as the No. 3 field goal kicker in collegiate football history. He also tied the NCAA record for 11 consecutive field goals until trying an impossible distance in the Oregon game.

However, when all that is said, we were still confronted with the most difficult schedule that an Army team has ever faced, and schedules are set up to ten years in advance. There are three considerations that guide us as we prepare the Army football schedule. The national character of the Corps and the image of the Academy throughout the country make it imperative that our schedule include major colleges and universities from across the nation. The value of such exposure of the Army team and of major elements of the Corps is obvious. Second, we desire to play at least half of our games at West Point. Most important, however, is the desire to balance our schedule between major independent teams and representative conference teams. Beginning in 1971 we will play Penn State, Air Force and Navy annually, but competition among the various independents and the conference teams to obtain attractive opponents has forced all scheduling well into the future.

It is a major concern of those responsible for football scheduling to avoid mismatches such as those which led to some of our losses this season. But our schedule is already set through 1980 and we can occasionally expect to find ourselves overscheduled as football fortunes of other schools vary.

Our current schedule was set primarily in 1963. It contains four teams that were in major post season bowl games in 1969 and five teams among the top twenty in the nation. I have seen each of our games this year and never once has the team stopped fighting, regardless of the score. The Corps has been enthusiastically with them all the way. While it is always dangerous to forecast a Navy game score, the thrilling performance of the team in the Oregon game gives us all reason to hope.

I have received many letters during the season in praise of the team and its playing. I would like to share with you a letter our captain received from a former Notre Dame player who was head coach at a southeastern university for eight years and has scouted college and pro football teams for sixteen years. He wrote Ken Wyrick that if he were still sending in reports on game performances, this would be his report after the Penn State game: "The present squad of the Army has the same drive, determination and desire to win that has been the tradition of the Army for many years. The team is well coached, well disciplined and the members of the squad do not lose their poise at any time. No team can afford to let up at any time in a game against the Army."

The competitive spirit at West Point is as keen as ever. In the years ahead we will continue to confront frequently the best teams in the nation. With your assistance, the Corps will continue to field teams in all sports that will be competitive. You can do much to reinforce these efforts of the varsity athletes at West Point. By encouraging promising young men to seek appointments to the Military Academy and to represent the Corps "on the fields of friendly strife," you will be contributing materially to the success of many a future Army team.

Sincerely,

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Old Grad at the customary signing-in. Knowlton Jan. '43, Superintendent, receives the Class of '55 sales talk.

The recently organized Admissions Committee of the Board of Trustees meets with Heiberg '26, extreme right, as chairman.

The representatives of the junior classes on the Board of Trustees: left to right, Heiberg '61, Hester '65, and Giuliano '58.

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The Board of Trustees at their Fall meeting. Members of the Board extend from Danford '04 to Hester '65.

Thompson '29, left, President of the Association of Graduates; Betts '34, center, and Knowlton Jan. '43, Superintendent.

The meetings and greetings before the March to Thayer Monument.

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Davidson '13 talks with Knowlton Jan. '43.

Lamb '46, left, with Boone '07, who made his fifth appearance as the Oldest Grad present.

Heiberg '26, former USMA Department Head; Davidson '27, former Superintendent; and Bell '27, former USMA instructor.

The March to Thayer Monument.

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The stirring ceremonies
at Thayer Monument.

The Old Grads form
to receive the Corps Review.

Murphy '50 congratulates Borman '50
after presenting Borman portrait to the USMA
Museum on behalf of the Class of 1950.

Holle '20 and Byers '20
present rare Civil War Prints to the Academy
given by Mrs. Frederic Lord Hayden '20.

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Three Superintendents: Left, Irving Apr. '17 (1951-54); center, Knowlton Jan. '43, present Superintendent; right, Davidson '27 (1956-60).

Three Commandants: Left, Rich '35 (1959-61); center, Walker '46, current Commandant; Waters '31 (1951-52).

Enjoying dinner—
Cadet Mess style.

Visiting grads welcomed by General and Mrs. Walker.

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Davidson '27 joins friends the Jannarones and Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Williams as festivities begin.

Visiting grads welcomed by General and Mrs. Knowlton.

The Dean receives other than an academic award.

Non-reunion class Old Grads exchange greetings.

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The Tailgaters assemble early in parking areas.

Army rooters.

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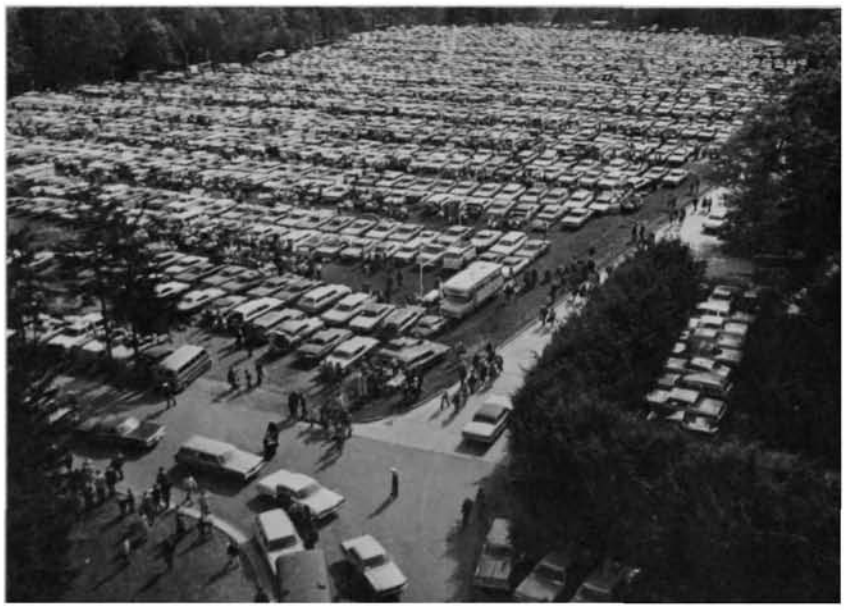
The candidates for Homecoming Queen and the crowning of Christina Sandstrom of Highland Falls.



The Provost Marshal's view of the game.

Arden Jensen scores again.

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class of 1950

20th REUNION

A happy and large group, the Class of 1950 celebrated their Twentieth with dignified ease. Dave Cameron, Gus Dielens, Stan Reinhart, Manley Rogers, Ray Maladowitz, and Art Blair—local West Point natives—paved the way for smooth eating, drinking, and merriment. With classmates and wives numbering well over 200, the Class of '50 was easily identifiable by the size of the group and the easy manner acquired after years on the circuit.

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class of 1955
15th REUNION

1955ers came from as far away as California and Colorado and joined a number of Pentagon warriors from D.C. Including the 11 classmates assigned to USMA, some 77 '55ers attended the Fifteenth Reunion and with wives numbered about 150. The weekend started off quickly with a cocktail and buffet at the West Point Golf Club. Saturday morning the Class paused for a moment for a Class Memorial honoring their 15 deceased classmates. The pace of Alumni Exercises, the ball game, another cocktail party, and the Alumni Dinner-dance led to the Class thinking backwards, inspecting the Cadet Mess after instead of prior to eating, and quietly munching to hold down the noise the morning after.

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class of 1960

10th REUNION

GO LIKE 60! And they did. Some saved energy, joining the group late to save a burst for the main events. Led by Charley Otstott, Jerry Forbus, Joe Lucas, Bob Klein, and about 60 from '60 on Post, the close-knit groups appeared and disappeared—all alone for a gay get-together at the Stewart Mess, together en masse with other returnees at scheduled Reunion Ceremonies, and the ball game, and in gay seclusion again at their own formal dinner at the Thayer Hotel, all provide a capsule of '60's Tenth.

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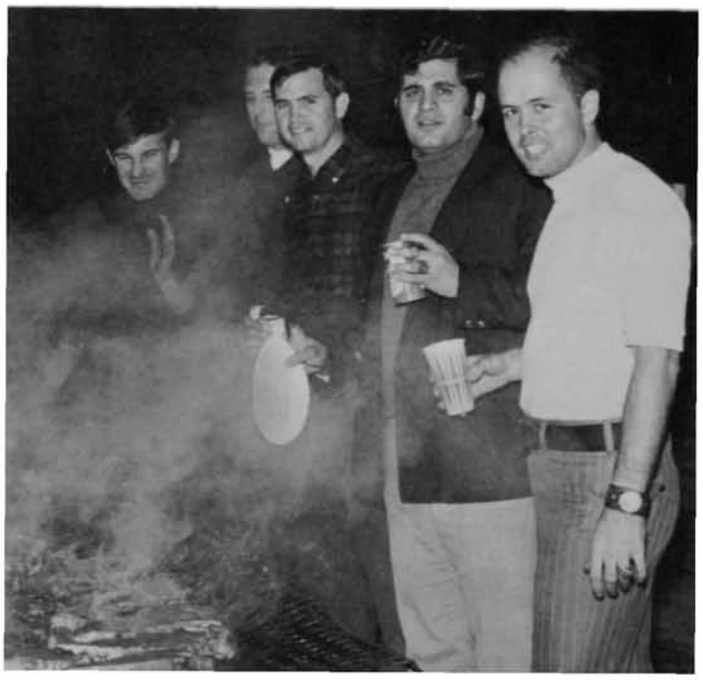
class of 1965

5th REUNION

Scattered off-Post visitors grouped with off-Post, West Point personnel, and the Five-Year Grads performed like Reunion Veterans. With Buddy Bucha, Art Hester, and Dan Christman leading the way at Bonneville Cabin, the men burned the steaks to their wives' delight. The informal small group at Round Pond swelled to a total of about 200 at a more informal tailgate picnic, and the formal Alumni Dinner. Then, in the same manner as they gathered, they noisily disappeared to wherever they came from. Until next time!



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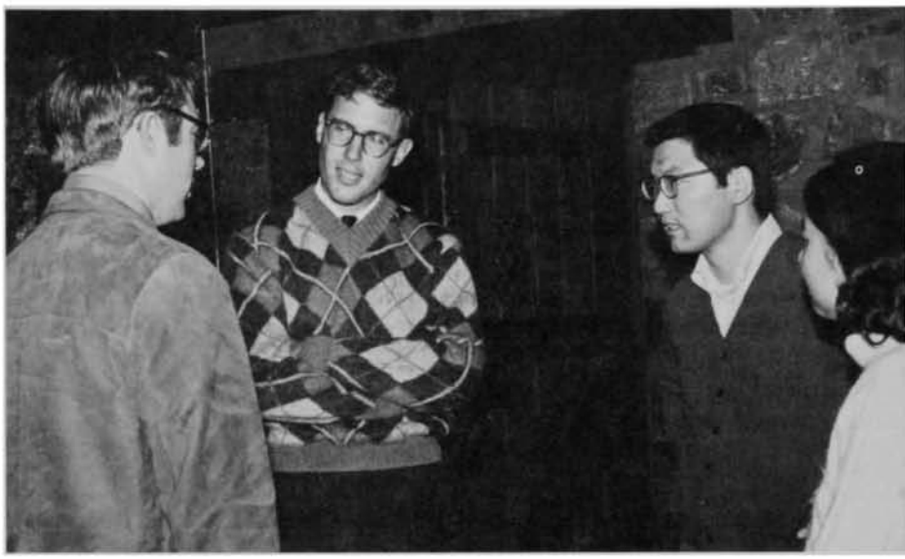

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BOB FOLEY... and his friends

by COLONEL RED REEDER

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EDITOR'S NOTE: "Bob Foley—and His Friends" is one of the twenty-two chapters in Colonel Red Reeder's most recent book that includes brief and fresh anecdotes about famous West Pointers from 1829-1926 and in depth coverage of sixteen more recent graduates —their performances, special abilities, and the reasons for their attending the U.S. Military Academy.

Class of 1963

"When we entered the White House," Robert Foley said, "I wasn't a bit nervous until we got to the Red Room. There I met Secretary of the Army Stanley Resor and General Harold Johnson, Chief of Staff of the Army. All of a sudden everything hit me. I wondered, What am *I* doing here?

"President Johnson came in and shook hands. Then we all went into the magnificent East Room. By this time it was getting hard for me to breathe. Everyone stood up for the President while the Army Band played 'Ruffles and Flourishes' and 'Hail to the Chief.' The room was packed. My parents sat in the front row with my fiancée, Julie Languasco. I caught a glimpse of some of my other personal guests, such as Mel Wenner and George Hunter, who had coached me in basketball."

"It was fine of you to remember to invite them," an interviewer said.

Bob Foley's most prominent feature, besides his six feet seven inches, are his clear, brown, luminous eyes. He turned them on the questioner. "Why," he said, "those men influenced my life."

Five motion-picture and TV cameramen, double that number of press and private photographers, sat facing the President. Rows of guests stretched to the right and left. Behind the President stood flags that mean so much to our country: the National Colors, the President's Colors, and the Colors of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard.

The white-and-gold East Room, public audience chamber of the White House, has seen many types of ceremonies. It was in this room in 1861 that President Lincoln stood, shaking hands in a long receiving line. At that time, Midwesterners had broken down some of the White House formality. A loud talker in the line called to Lincoln, "Sir, they say back in my home state that the welfare of the nation depends on God and Abraham Lincoln." Lincoln

Foley '63, second from left, front row, with the All-Stars.

With the Wolfhounds.

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With his mother and father when he was on the Ed Sullivan Show.

shot back, "My friend, you are more than half right." Now, in 1968, people had assembled in the famous room to see President Lyndon B. Johnson award the Medal of Honor to two men of the same company, who had won it in the jungles of Vietnam: Capt. Robert F. Foley, of Belmont, Massachusetts, and Sgt. John F. Baker, Jr., of Moline, Illinois.

Secretary Resor, acting as an adjutant, moved close to the microphone near the President and read Foley's citation. Then the President's military aide lifted the precious medal from its velvet case and handed it to the President. President Johnson, himself a tall man, reached upward and fastened the pale-blue, white-starred ribbon of the medal around Robert Foley's neck.

Relaxing after the ceremony, Mel Wenner, Director of Health and Education in Belmont, Massachusetts, who had been Bob Foley's high school basketball coach, reminisced. "I remember like yesterday the first time I saw Bob," he said. "Our JV basketball team was playing Wakefield. Young Foley went up for a rebound and crashed—a jumble of knees, arms and legs. I said to our JV coach, 'You'd better get that boy out of there before he ends up in a hospital.'"

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With other Medal of Honor Winners and Miss Liberty Bowl.

His wedding to the former Julie Languasco.

But Bob Foley didn't end up in a hospital. He played some of his best basketball for Belmont, helping them gain the finals three times in the Boston Garden's tournament for high school teams. In one game he scored 44 points, a tournament record.

Coach Wenner went on, "I learned something about Foley when he played for me in Belmont. If one of his teammates got knocked down or roughed up, it was a shot of adrenalin to him. The thing that turns Bob Foley on is for someone to hurt one of his friends."

Two other outstanding coaches were important in Foley's career. In 1959, Army's hockey coach Jack Riley, returning from a sojourn in Massachusetts, said to Army's basketball coach George Hunter, "Listen! Massachusetts has more basketball players per square inch than you guys have in the Midwest. There's a boy up in Belmont you ought to see. His name is Foley."

Hunter checked and invited young Foley to West Point. Later, Bob Foley talked of that trip. "The visit to the Hudson River country impressed me, particularly the challenge of West Point. And I felt that if I became a cadet, I would enjoy contact with high-caliber people. Then, too,

Homecoming.

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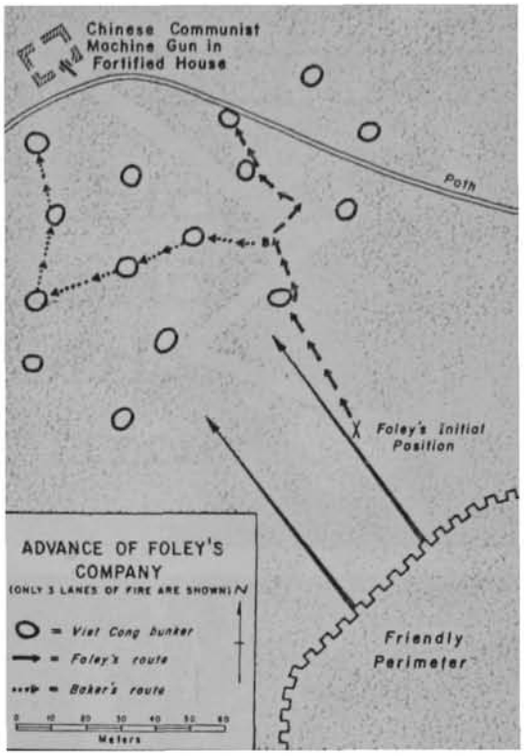
I thought of how proud I would be to be a cadet and to play on the Army basketball team."

After the occasion in the White House, Coach George Hunter wrote, "Seeing Bob presented with the Medal of Honor was one of my greatest days. I will always remember him as a plebe because he took a ribbing about his height. Foley stood above the rest of the plebes like an oak in a grove of mulberries. There was no place for him to hide, in or out of ranks. When he was a plebe, it was, 'Mr. Foley, do this. Mr. Foley, do that.' His patience and sense of humor kept him from becoming upset.

"When Bob was a yearling, he worried me. I knew he'd be a fine basketball player by the time he graduated, but was he going to make it? Sometimes his grades were damned low. I told all my cadets, 'You're no good to the team, or to me, sitting on the bench as a deficient cadet. I want you proficient so you can play in the games.' When Bob became captain of the team and when he graduated were days almost as big to me as the day I walked into the White House."

A West Point teammate, sharp-minded "Stu" Sherard, a lightning-like player, also talked of Foley. "We cadets on the basketball team used to kid him because once in a while he'd stumble over his own feet. But we respected Bob because when he went into a game knowing he had to score big if we were to win, he'd come up with eighteen, twenty, twenty-five points. Foley responds to his friends. There's no doubt about it. He'd give them the shirt off his back if they needed it. And his friends certainly respond to him."

Captain Leon Yourtee, student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, remembered another side of Foley. "I was a year behind him in the Corps. We plebes respected him, liked his quiet ways. He may have experienced difficulty in his studies in subjects based on math, but he was appealing, and above all he could communicate. That's a vital trait for a leader to have in his pack. Then, five years after he graduated, I was one of his students at the Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where he taught Infantry tactics. Bob went over big with the engineer officers, conducting his classes with humor in a sort of cracker-barrel style, sitting down in front on a stool, completely himself, unaffected, unabashed, and handing out smart instruction you'd remember."



In the fall of 1966, everyone of Captain Bob Foley's traits were in the crucible in the dank Vietnam jungle.

He had been a staff officer in the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry, when he was offered command of Company A of that battalion.

"Of course I accepted," Foley said, "but just from being in the battalion I knew Company A must be improved. I first set out by telling two lieutenants and one NCO to find other jobs. This was hard to do, but I wanted the best possible leaders for my men. I wasn't going to have mediocrity endanger my people.

"I had some real top help from two wonderful men, First Lieutenant James B. Day, (*Continued on page 48*)

Promotion to Major with Julie and Brigadier General Sam S. Walker.

As tactical officer at West Point.

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BUDDY BUCHA:

Soldier, Scholar, Athlete, Humanitarian

by D. E. Halpin

Directing action that led to award of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

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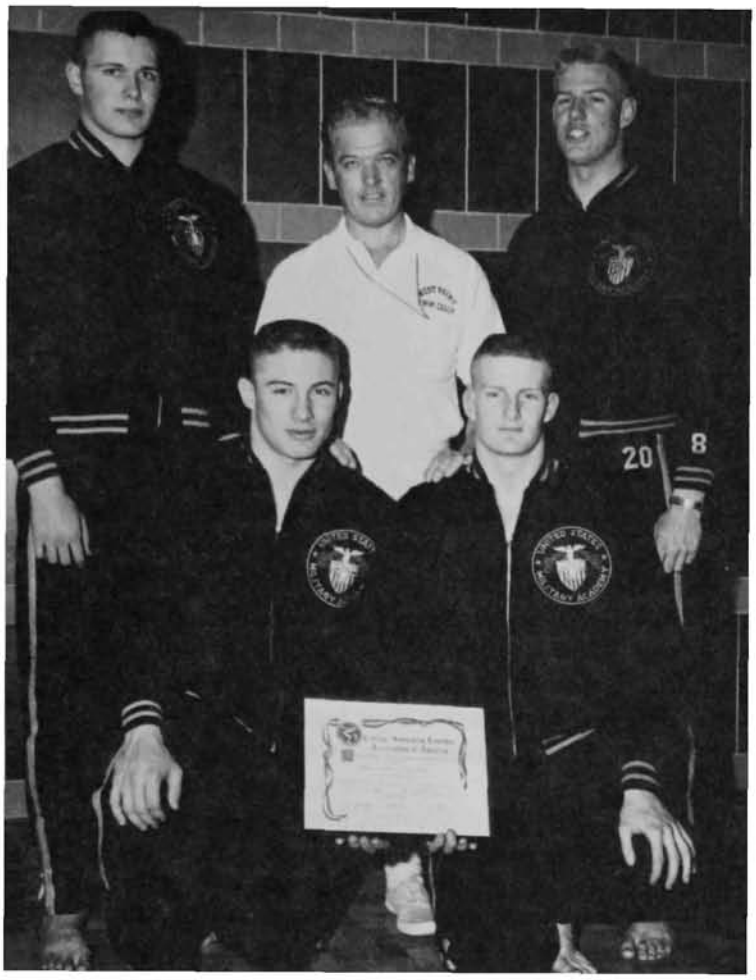

Above—Left front with Plebe 400-yard freestyle relay team that broke the freshman collegiate record. Coach Jack Ryan, second row, center. Top Right—Strong family ties: Captain Paul W. (Buddy) Bucha and wife Carolyn, in front row with Colonel and Mrs. Bucha and Buddy's sisters in rear row. Right—The Bucha men: Colonel Paul A. (USA, Ret); Jason and father Captain Paul W.

"BUDDY Bucha's accomplishments to date have not been at all surprising," Carl R. (Rollie) Stichweh, a classmate and close friend said. "I look to far greater achievements in the future that definately will occur for him, the Service, and Country."

Stichweh's spontaneous impression of Paul W. (Buddy) Bucha captures a unanimous feeling of associates from his cadet days through his present assignment as an Assistant Professor in the U. S. Military Academy's Social Sciences Department. The impression, moreover, fails to strike the observer by surprise. He learns from others that Captain Bucha has distinguished himself as a scholar, as an All-America athlete, and more recently as the recipient of the nation's highest award for heroism, the Congressional Medal of Honor.

In conversation with Bucha, however, one finds a reluctance on Buddy's part to dwell on past achievements. Instead the discussion seems to shift naturally to the Bucha family as residents of Highland Falls, New York, and the active role of the twenty-seven year old Captain in helping solve community problems, particularly the difficult one of youth and drug abuse.

For those who knew Buddy Bucha well, however, there again is unanimity that from his initial cadet days he was marked for success. Colonel Roger H. Nye, currently Associate Professor of History, and who also served on the faculty during Bucha's cadet days, said: "He has tremendous organizational abilities that were there from the beginning. He can follow through, and the unusual feature is that he is constantly doing things for others rather than for himself."

In the light of Colonel Nye's comments, it is noteworthy that crediting others for his successes represents a dominant Buddy Bucha characteristic. He talks proudly of close family ties in his early youth—his father of Yugoslavian descent, his mother of Ukranian descent, and his sisters and relatives. "Without saying so in exact words, our family always demanded excellence—the best at whatever you were doing," Bucha fondly recalled. As an example, he spoke of a grade school report card of which he was particularly proud—four "A's" and a "C." With a "C" on the card, his father refused even to look at it.

The Bucha family and his mother's (Sikora) also provided a strong athletic background that Buddy proudly spoke of—a relative played football with the Chicago Cardinals, another with the Chicago Bears, and still another

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A pensive Buddy Bucha with wife Carolyn in Highland Falls, New York, home.

currently an offensive star with the San Francisco '49ers. His sister Sandra follows in the footsteps of Buddy as a swimmer, ranking in the top ten in several world events and as a potential Olympic participant.

As Colonel Nye also observed, Buddy Bucha brought to West Point both academic and athletic talents. Offered scholarships to other highly regarded institutions, he visited some of them. "My father had suggested West Point," he said, "but then, perhaps because he was an Army Officer, later discouraged me. He didn't expect me to follow automatically in his path.

"I found that ARMY's Swimming Coach Jack Ryan was the first one I visited that was interested in me as a person not just as a swimmer. This was certainly an influence," Bucha said. It is notable that Bucha praises Coach Jack Ryan, for Ryan, in a typical reaction, quickly shifts the praise to Bucha himself. "Buddy was an extremely bright young man to begin with," Ryan said. "He could understand what the Academy had to offer him, and he was Army-oriented because of his Dad.

"He was an impressive young man. From the moment he arrived at West Point, and after you knew him and listened to him, you were sure that he was going somewhere in the Corps."

Coach Ryan further recognized Bucha's leadership capabilities as Captain of ARMY's Swimming Team. "Buddy was an All-America swimmer," he said, "but this was an exceptionally good ARMY team, and two or three swimmers consistently performed better than he did. And the natural reaction of a young athlete is to vote for the best performer.

"But Buddy was a dedicated, tremendous competitor, and the members of the team gave him a landslide vote for Captain." Coach Ryan added: "There was never any doubt in my mind as to who would be elected Captain."

The stamina and the physical ability of a natural athlete, however, represent but one facet of Buddy Bucha's remarkable talents demonstrated in a relatively short span of years—the first recipient of the Military Academy's Association of Graduates Award for "Excellence in all areas of cadet endeavors." In academics he wore the "stars" of a distinguished cadet, graduating eighteenth in a class of five hundred and ninety-six students, and immediately thereafter attending Stanford Graduate School of Business where he later received his Master's Degree.

Academy Chaplain James D. Ford points to another ability of Bucha's. The Chaplain describes Buddy's skill in combining "new thought with traditional thought" and his being as "dedicated and committed as an older man" with much more experience.

Colonel Roger Nye expresses a similar impression in a slightly different manner. In appraising Buddy's leadership abilities and quick and imaginative mind, Colonel Nye describes Bucha as a young man who "exerts his energies to change the status quo for the better." In so doing, Colonel Nye said that Bucha "uses existing institutions rather than opposing them. He respects authority, and his thought process is so logical that he can gain the support of authorities."

It is significant that Cadet Bucha's thinking and the mutual respect he shared with Military Academy authorities led to events that are accepted parts of Cadet life today. The 500th Nite—the first off post Class social activity, the formal Ring Dining-In—the presentation of Class Rings, and earlier procurement of Cadet cars all stemmed from ideas generated by Cadet Bucha.

In questioning Buddy about the innovations, he readily credits the system and relationship between cadets and the Academy's authorities. Superintendents William C. Westmoreland '36 and James B. Lampert '36, Commandant Michael S. Davison '39, Regimental Commander Col-

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In a happy family mood when joined by son Jason, a potential for the class of 1990.

onel Archelaus L. Hamblen Jr. June '43, and Colonel Roger H. Nye '46 all were described as officers who "demanded loyalty" but recognized that "it worked both ways."

"There was a remarkable rapport between the officers and cadets," Bucha said. "If you ever had an idea or a 'gripe,' you felt free to walk into the Regimental Commander's or Commandant's office and discuss it. If you could support your idea logically, it was approved."

Attesting to the rapport between cadets and officers, Commandant Michael S. Davison appeared in ski togs at the first 500th Nite at Bear Mountain Inn and was asked to return from a subsequent assignment as the First Class distinguished guest at the first formal Ring Dining-In.

Recognition for Cadet Bucha's leadership resulted in his being appointed one of the Corps' two Regimental Commanders. Again, however, he describes his accomplishment as trying to follow the example set by his "Plebe Pop," Lieutenant Colonel Richard M. Renfro '54, who, as a cadet, commanded the same 2d Regiment. To Buddy Bucha, Lieutenant Colonel Renfro—his former scoutmaster as a Lieutenant in Japan—seemed to be "almost a brother; he epitomizes all West Point stands for. You cannot equal him."

It is often said that a man of many talents but devoid of humor remains incomplete. Chaplain Ford enjoys telling the story of Cadet Bucha, as the senior Protestant Cadet, serving in the Cadet Chapel and performing his responsibility of receiving the offering from the ushers and presenting it to the Chaplain at the altar during Sunday services.

"At the Homecoming Service the offering was very generous, and the plates that Captain Bucha gave me were so heavy that I had difficulty placing them on the altar. After the service I told Buddy that in the future he should only bring a 'symbolic' offering so that it wouldn't be so heavy for me. He agreed.

"The next Sunday I stood in front of the altar and waited for Buddy to receive the offering from the two ushers. He received the two plates, did a smart about face, and presented me with them. Neatly placed in the middle of each was one dime. It nearly 'broke me up.' After the service I told Buddy that he really had gone to extremes and that he need not bring only one coin. He agreed.

"The next Sunday I was a bit uneasy about what might happen. The two ushers came down the aisle, presented the plates to Buddy, and again he turned around and held out the plates for me. Carefully spelled out with dimes in the plate on my left was the letter 'H' and in the other plate was the letter 'I' (HI).

"Later I told Buddy that never again would I criticize him for bringing too heavy an offering to the altar."

"In regard to Buddy Bucha, the Academy received outstanding raw material, and the result was a USMA product who exemplifies the high quality associated with West Point."

The foregoing comment by Colonel Roger H. Nye presents a capsule of Buddy Bucha's West Point days. "He's certainly far above average in accomplishments and attitudes, but he is also representative of his contemporaries," Colonel Nye said in expanding his thought.

Commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry, Buddy's first assignment as a distinguished graduate was to Stanford University Graduate School of Business. In addition to receiving his Master's Degree with emphasis on Economics and Organizational behavior, he taught swimming and SCUBA diving to undergraduates and served as Assistant Coach of Stanford's 1967 NCAA National Championship Swimming Team.

In June 1967, he reported to the 101st Airborne Division for his troop assignment. Buddy recalls his reception by two officers he highly (*Continued on page 48*)

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The History of Military Art -

ROTC Summer Workshop

"THE course is, without question, invaluable to the fledgling ROTC instructor who aspires to become proficient in the History of the Military Art. Such a course does not just materialize, but is the result of a tremendous amount of work by a group of conscientious, sincere, and dedicated professionals. The instructors' qualifications and techniques are superior. It is through the efforts of these fine officers that such a course can be judged, without qualification, as successful."

The complimentary comment of a student leader in the ROTC Summer Workshop 1970 actually reflects but one key aspect of a 132 classroom-hours, graduate level course that has evolved through three productive years.

In retrospect, it is significant that the origin of a course designed to assist in the preparation of ROTC instructors stems from the U.S. Military Academy. Almost four years ago, Colonel Thomas E. Griess, current Head of the Department of History, learned on a Washington, D.C., visit that the Department of the Army was searching for an economical way to upgrade the educational qualifications of officers assigned to ROTC duty. A definite need existed for providing ROTC instructors with increased knowledge of the subjects they would teach and the desired instructional methods they would use.

Considering the U.S. Military Academy's natural link with the academic community and the available instructional materials related to the ROTC Program, Colonel Griess favored the Academy's taking a leading role in support of ROTC—a recommendation readily approved by the Academic Dean and the Superintendent, USMA. From the Military Academy, the Department of the Army received a syllabus geared to a World Military History approach with emphasis on United States' Military Art. With Lieutenant Colonel Leonard F.B. Reed, Class of 1954, at the helm as Course Director, the first workshop commenced, under the auspices of CONARC, in 1968. Lieutenant Colonel Richard L. Tripp, Class of 1956, and Lieutenant Colonel Charles E. Miller, Class of 1954, carried forward and further refined the Military Art Workshop, as successive directors, in 1969 and 1970.

From its inception, the course has been geared to guidelines that include the following: an intensive student work load, intensive individual reading with strong library support, small, seminar-type classes with an instructor-student ratio of eight to one, and an individual, critical monograph by each student. A fortification tour at West Point and attendance at the annual presentation of "Sound and Light" at Trophy Point as well as a battlefield tour of Antietam vary the learning process and contribute a change of pace from the rigorous classroom routine.

With the majority of the ROTC instructors en route to duty that will require teaching Military History, the course, primarily seminar in nature, investigates the History of the Military Art by identifying and exploring key evolutions of strategy, tactics, technology, and administration. Additionally, coverage of the social and political aspects attendant to waging wars, treated in proper historical perspective, places the evolution of Military Art in a logical framework. Examining the writings of selected authors further enhances the student's intellectual development in the philosophy of Military Art. An analytical monograph defended by the student in a seminar session coupled with a two-day tour of the Antietam Battlefield allows oppor-

Colonel Thomas E. Griess, Professor and Head of the Department of History, USMA.

The Workshop Faculty, left to right: Lieutenant Colonel James F. Ransone Jr. '54; Lieutenant Colonel Charles E. Miller '54, Course Director; Lieutenant Colonel Edd M. Carter (The Citadel '50); Sergeant First Class Charles L. Murray; Major Gerald P. Stadler '59; and Major Glen L. Lehrer '60.

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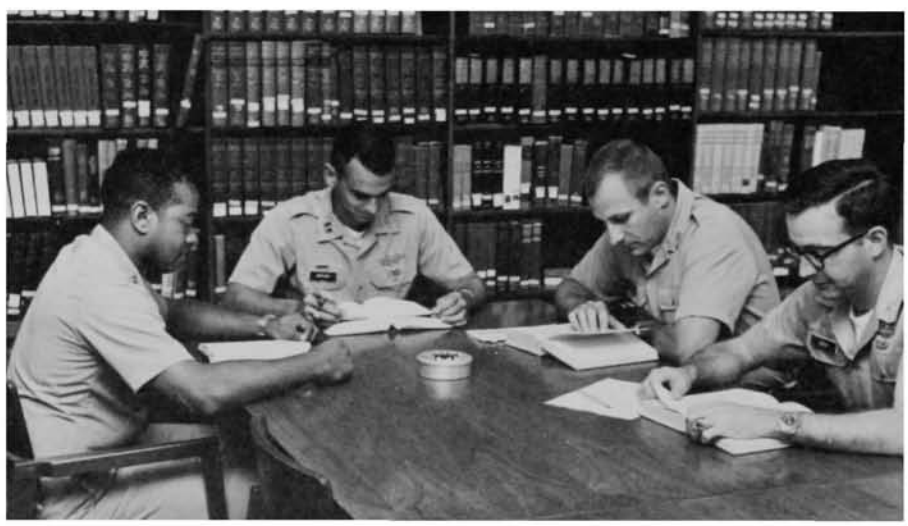
The ROTC Workshop Class of 1970 touring the USMA Museum. The thirty-nine officers in the class came from all five Army areas, Puerto Rico, Alaska, and Hawaii.

Intensive individual reading and strong library support were guidelines of the workshop.



Intensity was the keynote of the course—an intensive student workload and intensive reading.

Small seminar-type classes with an individual instructor-student ratio of eight to one was the primary instructional vehicle.

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tunities to apply theoretical knowledge to actual, historical military situations and decisions.

The course—emphasizing the Command & General Staff College workshop approach, with students teaching themselves while guided by an instructor (seminar leader) —commences with World Military History. Alexander the Great, Hannibal, and the dominance of Cavalry—the Feudal Knight, the Horse Archer of the Byzantine Empire, Attilla's Huns and Ghengis Khan—all form part of the backdrop for a comprehensive study. The decline of Cavalry and the dawn of modern warfare—the contributions to the Military Art of Charles VIII, Marlborough, Cromwell, and Frederick the Great complete the World emphasis that then shifts to stress on United States Military History from the American Revolution through Korea and limited war. Military Art in the Civil War, World Wars I and II, and limited war all become familiar subjects to the student with the added benefit of the impact of such distinguished contributors as Napoleon, Jomini, and Clauzewitz.

Six lectures, four by the USMA faculty and two by

Each student wrote a two to four thousand word critical monograph in Military Art and defended his position in the classroom. Civilian authorities in Military Art spoke to the students: left, Dr. Russell F. Weigley, authority on American Military History and the role of the military in American Democracy; and Mr. Charles B. McDonald, an authority on American Military History, especially World War II in Western Europe.

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recognized civilian authorities in Military History, amplify significant military areas or events. This year, for example, Dr. Russell F. Weigley, Professor of History and Department Chairman at Temple University, spoke on "The New Army of Elihu Root and Leonard Wood," and Mr. Charles B. MacDonald, Deputy Chief Military Historian of the Department of the Army's Office of the Chief of Military History covered "General Eisenhower's Post OVERLORD Strategy."

In 1970, thirty-nine "fledgling ROTC instructors" prepped at West Point for their future assignments. Two Lieutenant Colonels and the remainder Majors and Captains —representing all five Army areas, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and Hawaii—acquired knowledge and instructional techniques applicable to their pending college-teaching role. The former workshop students in complimenting the instructors and the course, according to the Director Lieutenant Colonel Charles E. Miller, "unknowingly paid tribute to themselves. For their intensive, individual efforts—this summer and in the past—ensured successful workshops."

Seminars and discussions at Antietam Battlefield visit allow opportunities to apply theoretical knowledge to an actual, historical military situation.

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Esprit de cavalry

By Major General Perry B. Griffith, USAF, Ret.

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THE 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment is a familiar phrase to anyone who keeps up with the war news in Vietnam. Few days pass when the regiment doesn't make a few paragraphs regarding its combat activities of the past twenty-four hours.

The outfit is a tanker unit that has seen a bellyful of action, has perpetuated its shield in America's regimental hall of fame and exemplifies a martial spirit only the old horse cavalry knew and understood; a spirit lost on doughboys, foot-sloggers or whatever else yellow-legs chose to call them. Cavalrymen are a confident, sometimes arrogant, but completely professional breed all to themselves.

The 11th Regiment wasn't always clanking around in tanks. Until some gaggle of resentfully unsympathetic or misunderstanding bureaucrats and ground-bound Pentagon staff officers emasculated the mounted arm – back around 1942 – the unit was one of some twelve regiments of U.S. horse.

The cavalry's summary execution came on suddenly and breathtakingly. And within a matter of months, those who once had been the capable inheritors of a century and a half of glamorous tradition, sometimes brilliant (and occasionally colossally stupid – but stupidity marked by spectacular elan, nevertheless) lay in shards – an unqualified shambles: at least, in a horseman's eye.

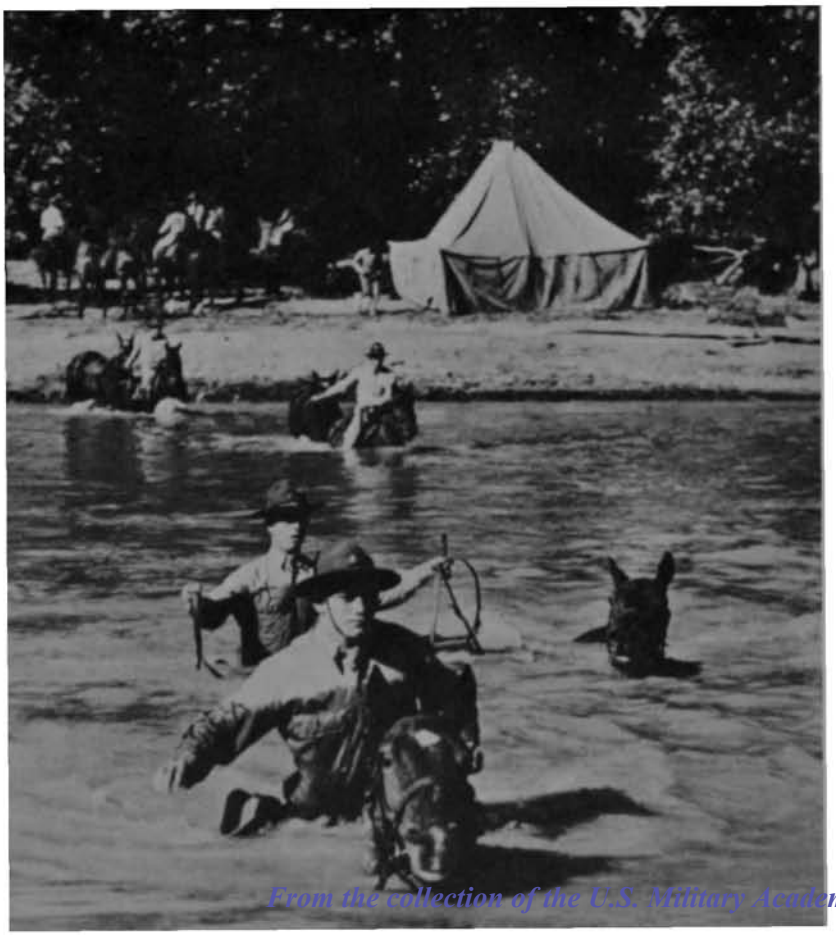
Not even the Fort Myer ceremonial regiment – The Third – was allowed to stay on and grace the rolls, the old unit's place there eventually being filled by the Third Infantry – gravel grinders – to the undying mortification of all old-line yellow-legs.

Gone was the polo; gone the horse shows. Everything down the tube. Saddles, bridles, even anvils and farrier's tools were sold. The horses – most of them three-quarter thoroughbred or better, the products of a superlative remount service developed over a half-century – were auctioned off. The regimental silver, accumulated over the years from the polo field, jumping ring and steeplechase, was boxed up and ostensibly stored in secure warehouses for the duration.

Parenthetically, when the war was over and all the various Army posts settled in to reinventory their permanent garrison property, a scandalously large percentage of this trove turned up missing.

Whoever was in charge of kissing off the bang-tails did one hell of a thorough job in putting the guillotine to the U.S. Cavalry. It never rose again. And while cavalrymen, to a man, suffered blood pressures in the extreme due to this intrusion and overwhelming tide effect, they had a war to fight (generally as tankers) and couldn't indulge the luxury of communal grousing at the time it was going on. The Pattons, Wainwrights, Truscotts, Waters, Abrams, Polks were up to here with other and more pressing, problems.

But no yellow-leg ever forgot it; and, privately, never has forgiven those who presided at his arm's death knell. And, true or not, most cavalrymen, in a rather adolescent fit of picque – or given a canteen full of fusel oil rotgut to unchoke the alkali permanently implanted up and down their gullets – will blame it all on the Detroit motor



Cavalry troopers from Ft. Riley swimming the Smoky Hill River, 11 October 1940.

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United States Cavalry and Scout.

lobby, who, they say, were out to torpedo the remount service because of its competition to farm machinery. Also blamed was a clique of infantrymen who, again they say, were forever jealous of the cavalryman riding up there – tall in the saddle – kicking dust in the doughboy's face, playing polo, jump riding, wearing Peel boots instead of leggings and rolling along with a nonchalant sang-froid about as distinct from the rest of the Army as a member of the Porcelian Club is from the other, and great unwashed, segment of Harvard's student body.

Well, there you have a quick and dirty requiem for the American horse soldier. Of my total service, about eighty-six percent was spent flying. The rest was as a horse cavalryman – my first five years. My first assignment, fresh from West Point, was to the 11th U.S. Cavalry – back in the mid-Thirties: The old four-legged genesis of the now famous 11th Armored Regiment.

The regiment was stationed at the Presidio of Monterey, California; and there I was broken to the rack and cut my eye teeth in an atmosphere of larky, nonchalant but severely accountable discipline that was to serve as my guidelight during the whole of my service – in the cavalry and as an Air Force officer.

Horsemen are a breed of their own. A man with a good eye for a horse seems to be able to ferret out a fellow horseman as readily as aviators or men of the cloth locate their counterparts. And strikingly illustrating this attribute, shared by all experienced cavalrymen and something not found in the dismounted arms, is a love for animals transcending the individual man's personal and selfish demands.

In the cavalry and the artillery, the first thing a ranker had to do was take care of his horse. While the doughboy could flop, gripe and goof off at the end of a day's march, the horse soldier had to groom his animal, water him,

Author with family and horses in 1940. The hunter on the left was taken to Philippines, died in a combat action on Bataan. Hound came from personal pack of General Patton at Fort Riley.

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The Royal Horse Guards and the First Dragoons rank past at the walk at the queen's birthday party parade, June 14.

check him for cuts and bruises, bed him down, feed him and, after all that, saddle soap and clean his gear. Not until all this had been done could the cavalryman find some secluded spot, throw down his shelter half, dig out a mess kit and attend to his own physical and spiritual needs.

You could depend on one thing; if a man reenlisted in the cavalry, you could bet your payroll that here was good soldier – one who could ride all day, then care for his horse first and afterward, himself. If you had such a man, you knew jolly well he could fight, for he had shown he could care for others, primarily, and old Joe, lastly.

I never knew a selfish cavalryman. There may have been some, but not on any muster roll I ever signed. This attribute of being able to account for something else first and the individual secondly is no doubt one of the most sought after virtues of the man at arms (or of any friend, for that matter).

Cavalrymen were a soft-hearted and sentimental lot, too; another good attribute to look for in the professional soldier.

Shortly after joining the 11th, I met the regimental commander's daughter – a rather cocky, high-spirited, exceedingly pretty, red-haired girl who knocked me completely out of the saddle. Here was an eighteen-year-old kid with all the charm and grace of a woman twice her age. Her father was one of the Army's finest polo players and its most outstanding coach. Her grandfather – shortly out of West Point – had lost his life in the Indian Wars. Her grandmother had been the first white woman on the Little Big Horn battlefield following Custer's massacre and her uncle was a general. This kid was Army, and principally cavalry, clear up to her eyebones.

You'd think, to her, a bangtail was just another something to push around – over fences, along the soft-cushioned, fetlock-deep, pine-needled Pebble Beach bridle paths and in the hunting field.

Not so. One morning, about a month after I had joined the regiment, our troop was headed up the hill toward Tortilla Flats, then down toward the beach and Seal Rocks. There had been a recent inspection of the troop's animals by the veterinary officer, but the only ones concerned with this operation were the troop commander, Captain Dugan, the stable sergeant and the vet. As an untried shavetail, I was still resting on the sideboards, so to speak.

But I had noted some apprehension among the troopers and there were some low-pitched curses, growls and rumbles in ranks. Being green, I hadn't the foggiest notion what all the commotion was about, but whatever they had feared seemed not to materialize in A Troop. That day, when we started out to drill, the men were light-hearted and swinging along with that ambiance attending a clear conscience and the empty pockets endemic with a mid-Depression professional soldier.

When we came off Private Bolio Road and disgorged onto the upper polo field, I saw the CO's daughter coming toward us, a bit off to the right of our course. She was riding her big seventeen hands chestnut hunter, Pipedream, was at the walk and swinging along head-down – her rein-hand resting on the saddle's pommel, the other hanging listlessly, with her crop wrapped around a wrist and dangling, as forlornly as its owner was sitting the saddle.

I asked the troop commander's permission to break ranks and trotted over to see if she were sick. Normally she sat that magnificent horse as though in command of about everything within sight and hearing.

"What's the matter? Can I help you?" I asked.

"No." She had been crying. "You'll see, up by the gravel pit. Go on back and join your troop."

As we rounded the bend by the gravel pit, just before the turnstile gate out through Tortilla Flats, I heard an occasional pistol shot. This was odd. The range wasn't anywhere near there.

Some of the horses were knickering. A bit of an electric pulse seemed to course through the troopers and I began to sense something dramatic was

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going on. Then Captain Dugan's hand shot up into the air.

"Troop, Ten'shut! Eyes forward! Trot–Ho." He pumped his hand up and down, and we picked up the gait.

Then we rounded the bend and I could see out of the corner of my eye what was going on. The veterinary sergeant and an officer were attending to the destruction of regimental horses that had failed to pass the vet's annual exam. Here and there lay a dead horse; tied to a picket line were a half-dozen more old fellows, calmly and fatalistically awaiting their turns.

I thought I would be sick. But just then the captain commanded, "Gallop –Ho!"

He knew what to do – and we cantered through the gate alongside the flats and out into the Del Monte Forest.

This first experience with the old Army's sad and annual chore of thinning the herd burned itself into my mind and I've retained its unhappy scene to this day. But the Army wasn't cruel and would never allow its horses to go to cart-haulers or just anyone. On the contrary, its old horses met a merciful and rather dignified end; one far better than being ying-yanged to death by some hard-handed, cruel amateur rider or starving to oblivion in front of a rag picker's wagon.

But we went to terrific ends to beat the vet. One time, Captain Dugan was talking about his own private mount and he said to me, "Griff, you like Ruth, my little mare, don't you?" I'd played her on the polo field; she was fast as a cobra and as hard to stay on, too. "Well, I'm being transferred and I'll sell her to you for the legal fee – one buck."

Wearing a great cloak, a trooper of England's Life Guard Regiment stands watch at the Horse Guard's Whitehall.

This drum horse of the Life Guards has some draft breed blood in his veins to support drums, equipment.

The author's wife rode Pipedream, a horse that lived out its days in the retirement not afforded most horses.

Here was a chance to own a horse, so I grabbed the brass ring. "It's a deal."

"Okay. Have Sergeant Bucchino transfer her to your stall. She's yours."

The next day I found out Ruth had flunked the annual exam and Patsy Dugan was transferring one of life's responsibilities to my broad back: All part of growing up as a subaltern – you swapped a horse here, another there, and if you didn't end up at some time with a skin full of animal that stumbled, was blind or was a cribber, you were a hell of a lot smarter than I was.

It took me a month – with the vet constantly on my back – to find Ruth an owner. She finally went to a civilian polo-playing friend named Dick Collins, who lived out at Pebble Beach, and she helped him raise his handicap from three to five. The only reason the vet had flunked her was because she was fifteen – and she played several more years, soundly.

Finally, the time came for old Pipedream to get the headsman's axe. By then I had falsified my manly qualifications to a point where I had been able to persuade the CO's daughter to commit marriage with me. Her father was transferred and so her name was no longer magic on the post. In due course, Pipedream – by then rising fifteen – had a touch of ringbone and the vet flunked him. My wife was ready to jump off the cliff at Halfway Point.

Then, one morning, Sergeant Bucchino, the stable sergeant, said to me, "Lieutenant, they've nailed Dutchman."

"Dutchman was an ugly, Roman-nosed, mallet-headed old goat, with feet that looked like four snare drums stuck on fence posts. Twenty-six years old, he had been with the regiment in the Philippines and when it rode against Villa on the border. For all his cosmetic faults, he had a jump like a deer. He'd never been known to refuse a fence and had won more ribbons and silver than any other horse in the regiment.

"Damn the vets," I said. "Why the devil can't they overlook some of these old campaigners? Dutchman's just a pet. But he still made the last regimental march – one hundred miles in twenty-four hours. And he never fetched up gimpy, either."

"Lieutenant," Bucchino quietly said, "Dutchman's been riding on borrowed time for years. Look, you've got a problem with Pipedream and we troopers don't mean to see old Dutch get shot. Tonight I intend to ride Dutchman out to Ord, to the heating station there, and turn him over to Corporal Joy. The vets will look the other way. Joy will keep him in the shed by his quarters, when anyone comes snooping around, and Dutch will graze for the rest of his life."

The heating station was ten miles distant on what is now the Fort Ord reservation. It was rough country then and the only guys who ever got around there were Joy's family's visitors. He was sort of a game warden and caretaker, watched for brush fires after the artillery had been firing and lived quite a life of Riley.

Bucchino cocked his head over and continued, "Do you suppose the lieutenant and his missus would like old Pipe to live out his days there? Dutch needs a buddy. Otherwise the vet will put the pistol to Pipe's head or you'll have to pawn him off."

So old Dutchman – the border

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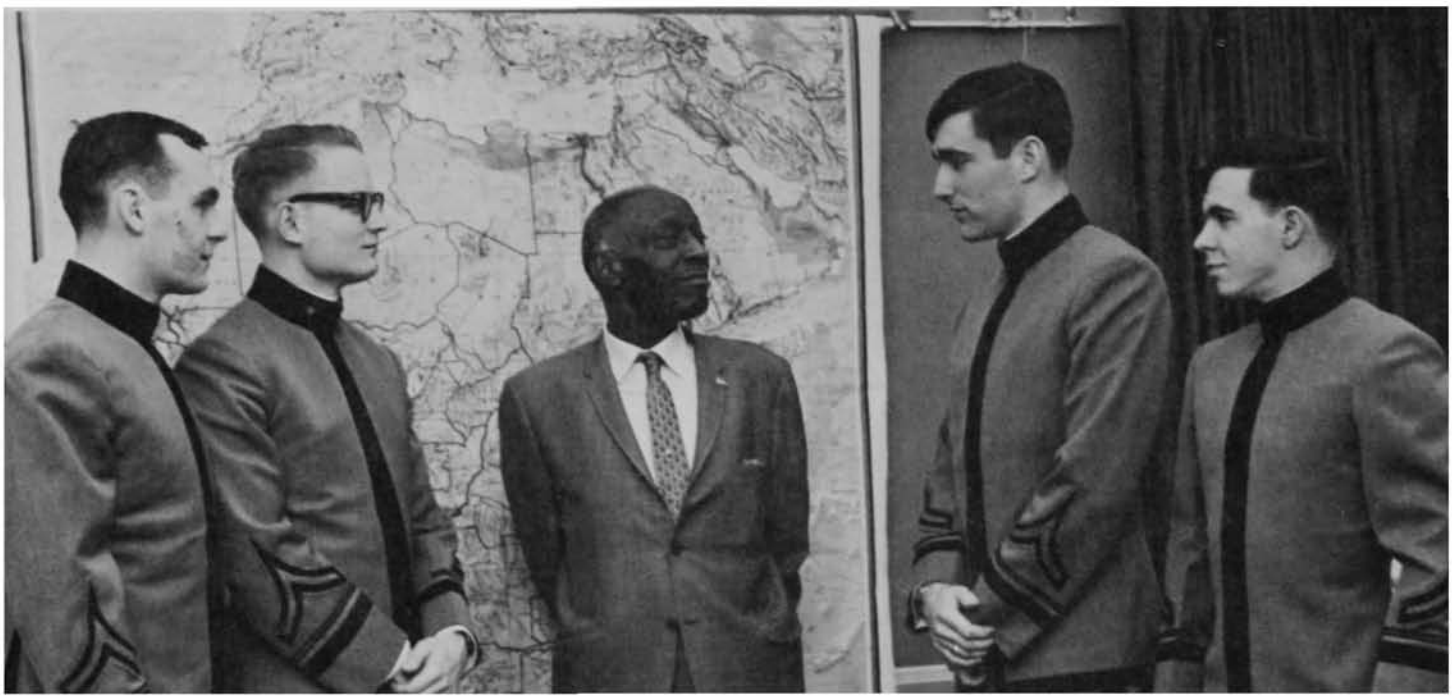
CADET PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION CROSSROADS AFRICA



Left to right: Cadets Ted W. Hoffman and James Peterson; The Reverend James H. Robinson, Director of Operations Crossroads Africa; and Cadets John Robinson and Michael Ryan.

BY MELVIN R. BOWDAN JR.

OPERATION Crossroads Africa is dedicated to building mutual understanding and friendship between the people of Africa and the people of the United States. It was inaugurated in the summer of 1958 when sixty young American college students flew to Africa to begin six weeks of project work in French Cameroon, Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria, and Sierra Leone. The program was conceived in 1956 by its present director, Reverend James H. Robinson, then pastor of the Church of the Master, in Harlem, New York City. Operation Crossroads Africa has since become an outstanding success and has had continuing praise from men and women of all walks of life both in the United States and in Africa. One of the program's most memorable compliments was given by President Kennedy who credited Crossroads Africa with providing a model for the Peace Corps. The number of countries to which teams are assigned continues to grow, thus encouraging a constant flow of student participation. In the summer of 1970 more than 200 students participated from various colleges and universities throughout the United States and Canada.

As in the past, the students this summer worked side-by-side with African students and villagers to build such things as rural schools, dispensaries, dormitories, and other basic community projects. Following this project phase, the students undertook educational tours of the country

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Helping provide recreation facilities for African youths.

to which they were assigned, and in some areas were also able to visit the neighboring countries.

USMA Participation

The United States Military Academy first became acquainted with Operation Crossroads Africa in the fall of 1960 as a direct result of the news coverage of Crossroad's very successful 1960 program. Several cadets showed a personal interest in Crossroads, and arrangements were initiated to authorize their voluntary participation. Three cadets, with outstanding qualifications, and who had already completed certain mandatory summer training the previous years, were selected for the following summer's program.

The 1961 experiment was an unqualified success in broadening the experience and education of members of the Corps of Cadets. Since that first group of three cadets in the summer of 1961, arrangements have been made every year for the selection of highly qualified cadets to participate. Enthusiasm and competition have remained extremely high among the Corps of Cadets for the opportunity to participate in Operation Crossroads Africa. Cadet participation in Crossroads is as indicated, voluntary, and is chosen by the cadet in lieu of regular summer leave. In addition to this personal sacrifice, participation also requires a certain financial commitment on the part of the cadet. The greater part of the expense of cadet participation, however, is financed partly by scholarships from Operation Crossroads Africa, Inc., and partly by the generosity of donors who prefer to remain anonymous.

With Africans in tribal dress.

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Beginning one of the major construction programs.

Summer 1970 Participants and Locations

The cadets selected for participation in the summer of 1970 were John Robinson, Mike Ryan, Jim Peterson, and Ted Hoffman. Each of the four was assigned by Crossroads to a different country. John Robinson worked in Uganda, and Ted Hoffman joined a group located in Kenya. Mike Ryan and Jim Peterson were assigned to projects in the French speaking countries of Ivory Coast and Niger respectively.

What Does a Crossroader Do?

Fundamental to the Crossroads concept is the building of mutual understanding and friendship between American and Canadian students and their African counterparts. It is believed that this goal can be achieved primarily through joint participation in useful community work projects. While the experience of each of the 1970 group of four cadets was in many ways unique in this endeavor, the project in which John Robinson took part is typical.

John Robinson, along with all the other Crossroaders, began the summer with a four day orientation program at Rutgers University. He and other members of his work group of twelve (nine Americans and three Canadians) were then flown by a chartered Air France jet to Nairobi, Kenya, from where they then traveled by road to Kampala, Uganda. His description of the work project his group was assigned reflects both a pride in what was accomplished and a sense of frustration with the shortness of the summer considering all that there was to be done: "The project was in Kampala, the capital city of Uganda. My group was to build the dormitory building of a secondary school, girls' hostel. Often, when girls come to the city, they have no place to stay and become prostitutes to support themselves. Our sponsors, the Mothers' Union, an organization of women in the Anglican Church, became concerned and requested both manpower (the group) and money from Operation Crossroads.

"The building was approximately one hundred feet by twenty-five feet, two stories and thirty-six rooms. The sheer size of the project was a detriment, since it was apparent that we could not finish it. When we arrived the foundation had been laid. We dug the foundation out four inches, filled the floor spaces with rock we crushed with sledge hammers, and covered the entire area with a four inch layer of cement. On this we started the walls. All of the bricks were hand made and dried in the sun.

"The project ended with the walls seven to ten feet high. . . . Considering the size of our project, I would judge it a success. The project was given the necessary momentum to insure its completion. Because of finances, it may take four or five years to complete, but it will be completed. Without our help, it would still be as we found it."

The other three cadets had similar work experiences. In Ivory Coast, Mike Ryan's group of American and Canadian young men and women (seven Americans and two Canadians) were united with twelve African university students and twenty-five more African high school students. The site of their work project was in Bouake and involved the con-

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struction of a youth center for that city. Jim Peterson helped build another youth center in a village in Southeastern Niger. Ted Hoffman participated in three separate projects: construction of a four room addition to a school in Machakos, Kenya; maintenance work on a Salvation Army school for the blind in Thika, Kenya; and finally, in Kajiado, Kenya, the laying of the foundation for a medical dispensary. In all cases, the American and Canadian students worked on the projects with African counterparts, either university and high school students, or townspeople and tribesmen from the surrounding area.

But the work projects were not the only activities in which the cadets participated or from which they benefited. Travel and visits with government officials and local civic groups were at least as important in the summer's activities. Mike Ryan's experiences were typical: "For the entire month of July we organized and presented a series of expositions regarding topics of common interest. Topics such as history, geography, politics, economics, the U. S. Army and racism. We alternated the presentations between the Ivorians and the American/Canadian group. In addition we had a schedule of athletic events (basketball, volleyball, and soccer), game nights, excursions to several villages within forty miles of Bouake, attendance at festivities, parties and invitations to homes of the people of the area, and cultural events such as tribal rituals and African ballets. As a result, the language barrier was quickly overcome and much personal exchange took place between us through both formal and informal discussions."

Crossroads as an Intensely Personal Experience

The Crossroads experience is an intensely personal one for the individual participants. Despite their considerable academic preparation and the excellent orientation presented by Operation Crossroads personnel prior to their departure, the Crossroaders found that the essence of a foreign culture must be experienced to be understood fully. This experience and the understanding which it developed will remain with the Crossroaders for the rest of their lives.

"The Crossroads experience was an eye opening one. I personally benefited not only from my contact with another culture, but also from contact with Africans as human beings and with the American college students who formed the majority of Crossroads participants. The Africans have a philosophy of life considerably different from ours, and it was a broadening experience to observe this culture first hand and to discuss with the Africans their perspectives on social and political topics which interested us all." (Jim Peterson)

"I met some of the cultures of Kenya and Tanzania, all of which differ radically from American culture. Interaction with the other foreign students was also broadening. I gained valuable insight into the problems of developing nations, and my theoretical knowledge gained at West Point was extended to the grass-roots level and broadened by direct experience." (Ted Hoffman)

Operation Crossroads Africa (*Continued on page 50*)

Fighting against time to get construction well underway.

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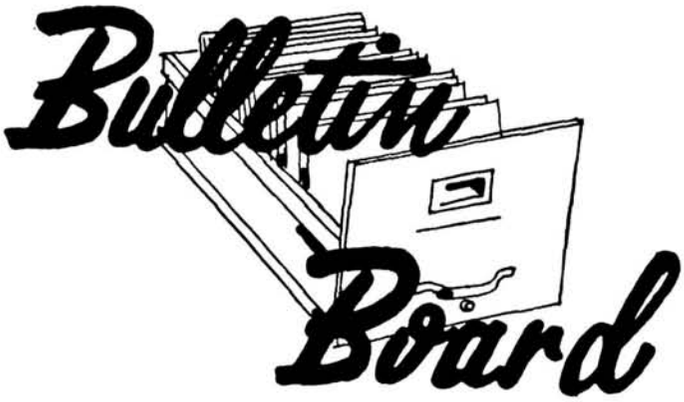

For the benefit of class Scribes, class Notes should be dispatched to arrive at the Association office for:

the spring issue by — 15 March
the summer issue by — 14 June

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

Plebe Classes at Service Academies Include Sons of USMA Graduates

(Fathers' names are in parentheses)

USMA:

1920—Frank N. Roberts Jr. (F. N. Roberts)

1925—Benjamin G. Withers (G. K. Withers)

1927—George A. B. Peirce (G. F. Peirce)

1930—George E. Shaffer (L. H. Shaffer)

1934—Thomas E. Mullen (W. J. Mullen)

1935—Charles B. Rynearson Jr. (C. B. Rynearson)

1937—Edmund L. Chabot (J. Chabot)

1940—Thomas A. Leahy (O. A. Leahy), Gregory D. Lucas (E. D. Lucas)

1941—Clare H. Armstrong III (C. H. Armstrong Jr.), Richard K. DeJonckheere (E. T. DeJonckheere), David L. Fowler (J. D. Fowler), William G. Mather (W. E. Mather)

1942—Olmedo Alfaro Jr. (O. Alfaro), Richard F. Ballard (R. W. Ballard), Mark J. Redlinger, (M. J. Redlinger), Kenneth C. Ulsaker (C. C. Ulsaker), Charles M. Westenhoff (J. H. Westenhoff)

Jan 1943—Stephan G. Smith (D. M. Smith), Donald E. Wilbourn (D. E. Wilbourn)

Jun 1943—Michael W. Rogers (B. W. Rogers)

1944—Michael L. Deeter (C. L. Deeter), Steven M. DiSilvio (A. DiSilvio), Ralph H. Graves (E. Graves)

1945—Lawrence R. Adair (T. F. Adair), Jonathan P. Adams (C. E. Adams), Thomas A. Gandy (C. L. Gandy), Thomas E. Gleason (T. R. Gleason), James M. Hogan (H. F. Hogan), Thomas T. Kane (F. B. Kane), Kerry R. Parker (F. C. Parker III), Robert T. Troxell (G. H. Troxell), Christopher B. White (C. M. White)

1946—Norman H. Andersson (G. E. Andersson), Charles W. Barker III (C. W. Barker II), Robert E. Bassler III (R. E. Bassler Jr.), Samuel W. France (S. E. H. France), Stephen W. Houseworth (J. E. Houseworth), Robert M. Humphreys (W. A. Humphreys), James H. W. Inskeep Jr. (J. H. W. Inskeep), Thomas A. Lengnick (R. H. Lengnick), John E. Majeroni (E. E. Majeroni), Bruce T. Palmatier (F. M. Palmatier), Donald C. Seeber (W. T. Seeber), Christopher B. Sinclair III (C. B. Sinclair), Michael L. Tixier (L. B. Tixier).

1947—Stephen S. Geraci (A. J. Geraci), Thomas M. Kuykendall (W. T. Kuykendall), Christopher L. Sargent (H. L. Sargent)

1948—Donald A. Cerow Jr. (D. A. Cerow), William A. Patch Jr. (W. A. Patch), Kenneth E. Webber 3d (K. E. Webber Jr.)

1949—David W. Lambert (W. R. Lambert), Theodore J. Lombard (H. F. Lombard), Richard W. Morton (R. L. Morton), James H. Ross (M. C. Ross), Albert F. Turner Jr. (A. F. Turner)

1950—Frederick P. Borman (F. Borman), Stephen G. Hanna (M. J. Hanna), Jon M. Irons (J. V. Irons), James R. Mitcham III (J. R. Mitcham Jr.), Alan S. Rogers (M. E. Rogers), Winfield W. Scott III (W. W. Scott)

1951—Bruce B. Bailey Jr. (B. B. Bailey), John D. Daigh Jr. (J. D. Daigh)

USNA:

1937—Robert E. Stumpf (R. H. Stumpf)

1942—Miles B. Wachendorf (M. L. Wachendorf)

Jan 1943—James R. Thompson (D. W. Thompson)

Jun 1943—Preston W. Easley Jr. (P. W. Easley)

1945—Timothy Y. Gorder (C. R. Gorder)

1946—James W. Clifford (C. C. Clifford)

1949—Mark R. Milliken (W. R. Milliken)

USAFA:

1928—Kent M. Ramey (R. M. Ramey)

1939—Jaime E. Alfaro-Matusinsky (J. E. Alfaro-Puiz)

1940—Jeffry L. Elliott (P. L. Elliott)

June 1943—Donald J. Eastmead (J. H. Eastmead), Charles E. Snavely (W. W. Snavely)

1945—William B. Craig II (W. B. Craig), Stephen B. Davies (F. C. Davies), John P. Jackson (K. L. Jackson), Thomas L. McCance (D. L. McCance), David M. Wildman (W. W. Wildman)

1946—Brendon J. Dodd (F.A. Dodd), James A. Nemetz (A. M. Nemetz), Michael S. Sprague (E. G. Sprague)

1950—Duke G. Monson (G. H. Monson), Dan A. Novak (D. G. Novak)

1951—Verle L. Johnson Jr. (V. L. Johnson), William M. Quinn Jr. (W. M. Quinn)

West Point Society Organized

On 25 September the West Point Society of Greater Columbia (South Carolina) joined the 67 other West Point Societies in providing alumni and friends of West Point with local organizations through which they can support the aims of West Point.

The organizational meeting of the new society was held in the Officers' Club at Fort Jackson. Under the leadership

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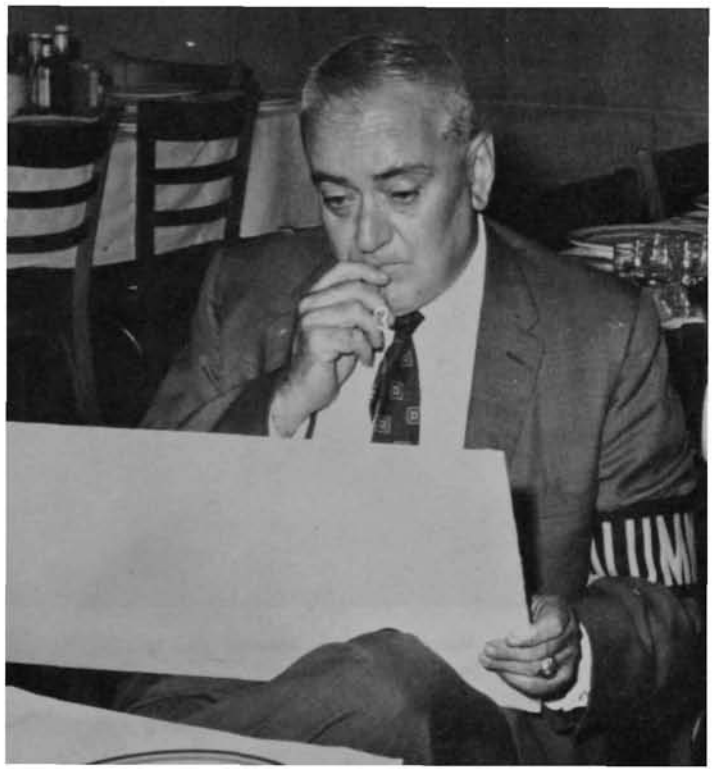
of Ashworth '38 and Duquemin '47, the membership voted on a constitution and by laws and elected a board of governors.

The keynote speech for the meeting was delivered by Association of Graduates President, Thompson '29. He outlined for society members the challenges facing West Point and its alumni in the decade of the 70's and the responses which are available. Thompson emphasized West Point's continuing need for the support of both alumni and friends and noted that Admissions assistance is a prime area.

The Association of Graduates welcomes this latest addition to the list of West Point Societies and offers its assistance to other groups of alumni interested in forming new societies.

Second Classman Stephen B. Tallman, left, and Third Classman Joseph B. Tallman with their father Dick '49, Deputy Commandant of Cadets, after the two brothers were presented "stars" for ranking within the top five per cent of their classes during the past academic year.



Daniel E. Halpin '42, Associate Editor of ASSEMBLY since May of 1968, has submitted his resignation effective 1 January 1971. In a brief statement, Halpin cited medical reasons for sidelining him temporarily. While he gave 1 January as an effective date, he has made it clear that he would assist in assuring a smooth transition with his successor.

During Halpin's editorial association with ASSEMBLY, the magazine has continued to attract increasing subscribers and has been acclaimed both by graduates and by other magazine editors as the finest college publication of its kind in America. Halpin's efforts to improve ASSEMBLY reached a high mark of accomplishment in the Spring 1970 edition. That issue covered not only the usual departments such as "Bulletin Board," and "Down The Field," but also feature articles, highlighted by the tribute to General of the Army Omar N. Bradley, which Halpin authored.

The Halpins plan to remain in the West Point vicinity, where they make their home in Cornwall. The ASSEMBLY staff and the thousands of subscribers who have derived pleasure from Halpin's contribution to their magazine express their appreciation and best wishes for the future.

MG William A. Knowlton (right), Superintendent, receives a sterling silver medal honoring LT Henry Ossian Flipper, the first black graduate of the Academy. Mr. George A. Beach (center), President of the American Negro Commemorative Society, makes the presentation as Mrs. Karen Worth of Orangeburg, N.Y., the designer, looks on.

West Point Authors

The USMA Library requests copies of all publications, books, pamphlets, periodical and magazine articles, published letters, etc. written by graduates of the Academy. The material is for incorporation into the West Pointiana collection in the Academy's Special Collections Division.

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Hometown of Honesdale, Pa., Pays Tribute to the Lemnitzers

GEN and Mrs. Lyman L. Lemnitzer '19 greet residents of Honesdale during parade.

Generals Lemnitzer '19 and Clark, Apr. '17, with Judge Bodie, center, at the airport.

GEN Lemnitzer with Mayor Louis A. Howell Jr., to his right, meets the Sergeant Major.

Natives of Honesdale, Dick Tallman, left, Deputy Commandant of Cadets, and Don Fowler, right, Associate Dean USMA, with GEN Mark W. Clark.

The USMA Band and The Corps pass in review.

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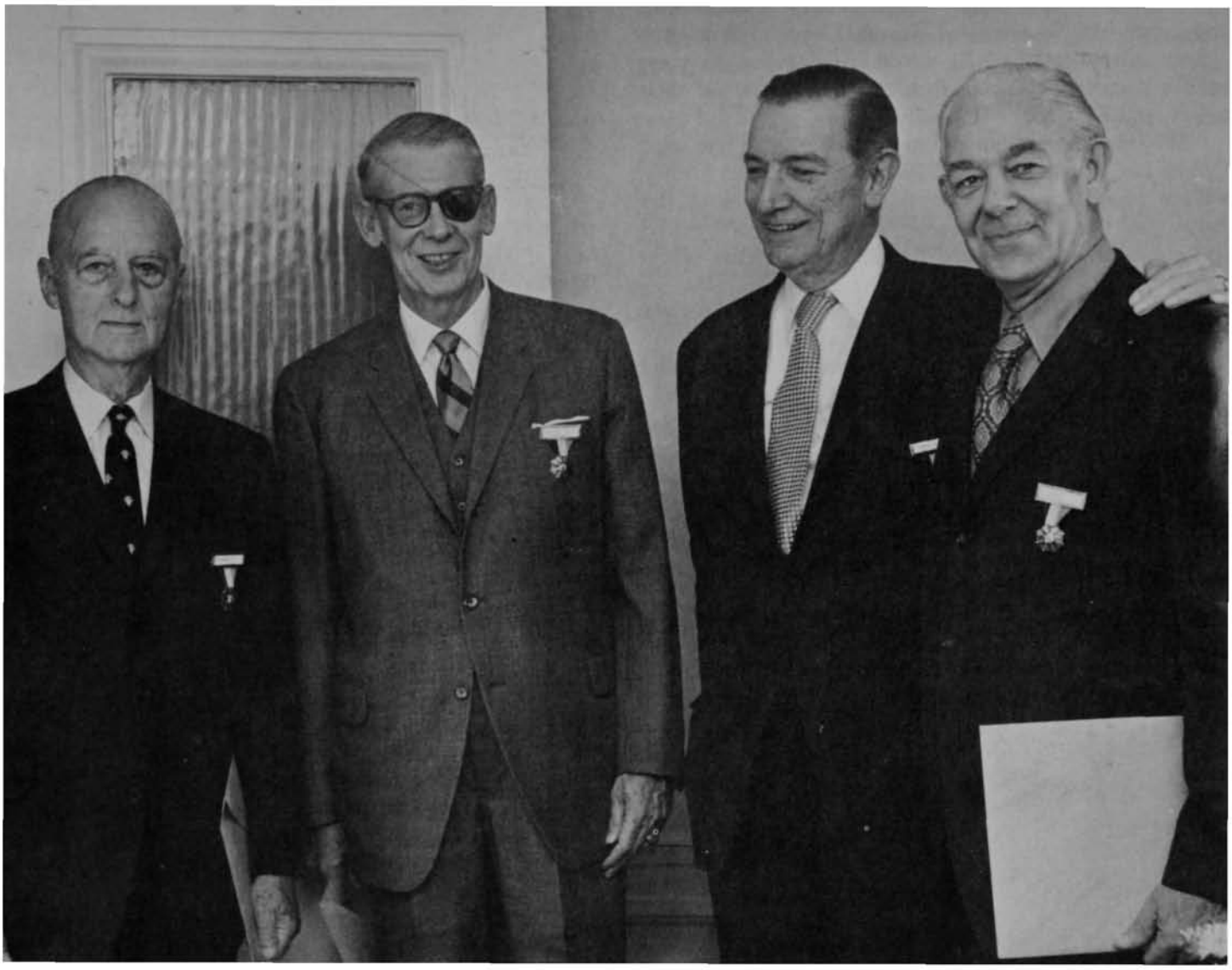

From left to right: Eddleman '24, honorary trustee; Bonesteel '31, Chairman of the Nominating Committee; Lasher '29, and Nutter '25, members of the Board of Trustees.

Officers and Trustees Hold Fall Meeting

The Officers and Board of Trustees of the Association of Graduates held their regular Fall meeting at West Point on 24 October 1970. With class representation at the meeting spanning 47 years, from the Class of June 1918 to the Class of 1965, the Officers and Trustees took action on items of Association business which had arisen since their June Week meeting.

Highlights of the meeting were reports by the Superintendent, Knowlton Jan. '43, Coach Cahill, and the Chairman of the AOG Admissions Committee, Heiberg, '26. The Superintendent thanked the Association of Graduates for its continuing support of the Military Academy and discussed the current status of the Corps of Cadets and other Military Academy matters of mutual interest to West Point and the Association. Coach Cahill commented briefly on the high morale of the football team and the prospects for the ARMY-Penn State game, played that afternoon. As Chairman of the newly organized AOG Admissions Committee, Heiberg reported on a Committee meeting held on 23 October 1970 at West Point.

Among the items of business which were acted upon at the meeting were the election of the Executive Committee for 1970-1971 and the appointment of the Nominating Committee, which will develop the 1971-1972 slate of Officers and Trustees for presentation to the Annual AOG Meeting on 4 June 1971. Elected to the Executive Committee were Saltzman '25, Murrell '30, Renfroe '34, and Jannarone '38. As President of the Association, Thompson '29 is the fifth member of the Committee. Bonesteel '31 was appointed Chairman of the Nominating Committee. He will have working with him Brett '30, Fields '33, Renfroe '34, Brown '41, and Giuliano '58.

The Officers and Trustees approved the designation of the weekend of 22-24 October 1971 for Homecoming 1971 (ARMY vs Virginia), and as a final item noted that the President plans to call a winter meeting of the Officers and Board in March 1971.

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Class of 1919 Memorial

"When Charles Dickens first visited West Point on a June day in 1842, he observed, 'It would be hard to imagine a place more beautiful.' As we look out today on these familiar scenes, we rejoice that they have retained their mellow and time-honored beauty.

"We who know and love this ground are also reminded of some two hundred years of illustrious American history. We are proud to recall that through the pages of this history are threaded the names of many West Pointers who played vital roles in the building and defense of our nation.

"We graduates also summon up in our memories the bright images of our own cadet days, as well as the challenges, the joys, and the disappointments of our later careers as officers in the Army.

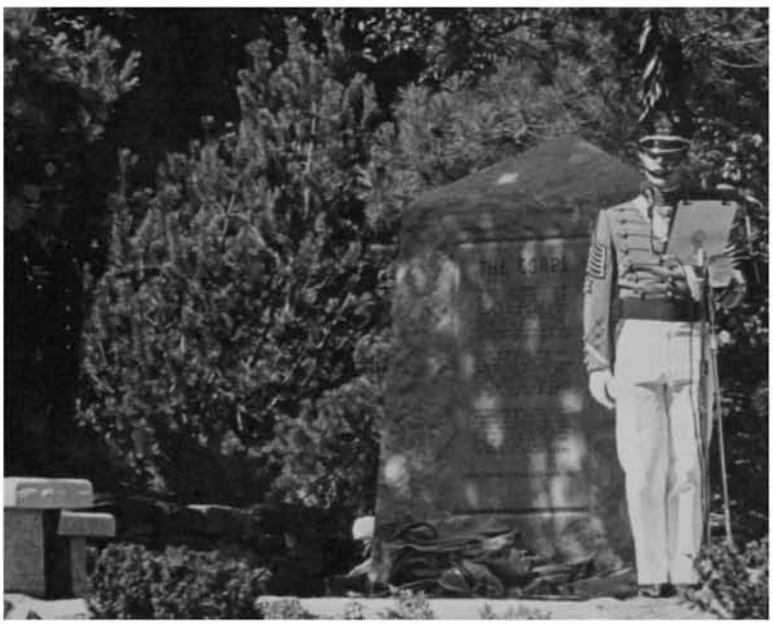
"The ranks of the Class of 1919 are thinning. Those surviving today are proudly conscious of the high privilege of having worn the cadet gray and of having served our country's cause. We like to think, as we look back, that our most rewarding experiences were the outcome of dedication to *Duty, Honor, Country.*

"The members of this Class and their ladies, many of whom are present today, have looked forward to this occasion with keen anticipation. They very generously supported the plans adopted by their representatives and approved by the Superintendent of the Military Academy. It has been our hope that we could assist the Corps of Cadets in perpetuating West Point's incomparable spirit and high ideals, thereby strengthening the bridge between a distinguished past and a promising future.

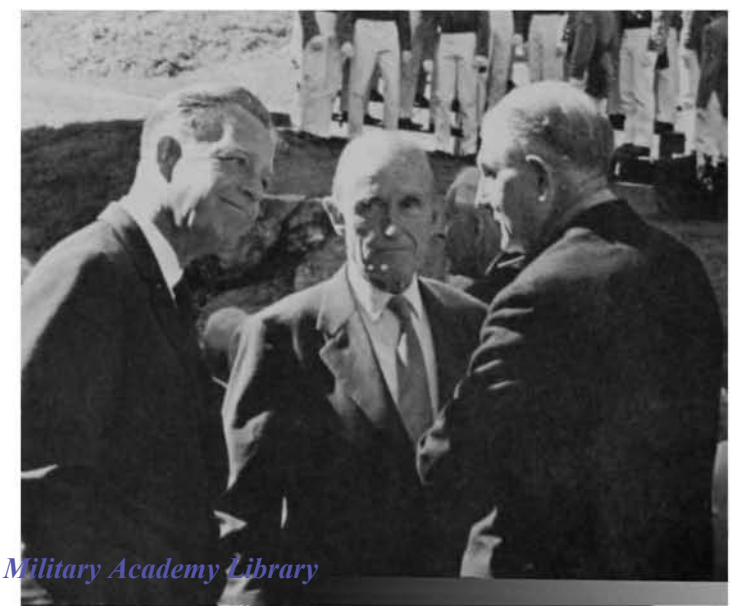
"It was enthusiastically agreed that the lyrics of the traditional West Point songs, 'The Corps' and the 'Alma Mater,' and the code of conduct reverently expressed in the Cadet Prayer, should be inscribed in enduring granite, providing an indestructible symbol of the spirit of West Point. Those two songs and the Cadet Prayer inspire and steadfastly guide the members of the Long Gray Line as they discharge their duties in the Military Service and fulfill their responsibilities as American citizens.

"As a tribute to the Corps of Cadets, as an expression of deep gratitude to our Alma Mater, and in the hope of furthering her noble traditions, the Class of 1919 presents this Chapel Grove to West Point—to the cadets of today—and to the cadets of every tomorrow."

Wedemeyer
Class of 1919



At the 1919 Memorial Dedication — "The Corps"; Jones '19, Wedemeyer '19, and Knowlton, Jan. '43, welcome guests; Thompson '29, President of the Association, Gruenther '19, and Echols '19.



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George F. Dixon Jr., Class of 1940, has been appointed to the Association of Graduates Board of Trustees to complete the term of BG Paul W. Thompson, elected president last summer. Dixon is President and Chief Executive Officer of Carlisle Corporation which position he has held for the last 13 years. Carlisle Corporation is a diversified manufacturer of numerous products and has 14 plants located in 7 states. Its stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Additionally he is director of several corporations, including the Dauphin Deposit Trust Company, Harrisburg, Pa., of which he is also a member of the Executive Committee. As for civic activities, he is trustee of Dickinson School of Law, a member of the Board of Associates of Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, and a director of the local Red Cross Chapter. His escapes from business pressure mainly deal with boating with his family on the Chesapeake Bay.

Boy Scouts Request

The West Point Boy Scouts are making plans to celebrate, in 1971, the 50th anniversary of Scouting and the founding of Troop 1 at West Point. To commemorate this event, we intend to design a special memento and write a history of Scouting at the Academy. Unfortunately, we have little information about the early years of Scouting here. Thus, we are seeking information and memorabilia—letters, diaries, patches, neckerchief slides, for example—from former members and acquaintances of Troop 1. We will return all items or, if given permission, we will place items in the archives of the USMA Library with the name of the donor appropriately recorded. Please correspond with the Boy Scout Steering Committee in care of Major Gordon T. Bratz, Department of English, USMA, West Point, New York 10996.

BOOK REVIEW

The Story of the Second World War. The Allies Conquer (1942-1945)

By COL Russell P. (Red) Reeder. Published by Hawthorne Books, Inc., New York (1970) vol. 2, $5.95.

Reviewed by EGON WEISS, Librarian, USMA.

To synthetize as historic a period as the four years of the major U. S. involvements in World War II into anything more than an outline is a creditable feat. However, to bring to life these fateful years to our teenagers who are more than a generation removed from these events requires the authorship of a person such as Red Reeder.

What is his formula for conveying the facts, events, and personalities more successfully than a host of more scholarly, more analytical, and far more comprehensive tomes on the greatest war fought in modern times?

In the first instance Reeder relates directly to the young reader. He does not talk down, but he probes the high and the mighty, their youths, their failings and disappointments, their potential, their initiative, their abilities to seize opportunities.

His style is crisp and easy-flowing; you are being urged to read on.

There are liberal sprinklings of eye-witness accounts which make personalities such as Churchill, Eisenhower, MacArthur, Bradley, Patton come to life. Lest some of you are led to believe that this subject is treated lightly, *beware* it is a serious book of the most serious of all subjects: WAR; war as only Reeder who had "a major piece of the action," to use the modern vernacular, came to describe and appreciate.

Tragedy, pathos, heroism, all these dramatic ingredients are interlaced with appropriate quotes, frequently from primary sources, i.e., interviews, authoritative reports and documents; maps and illustrations enhance the volume.

Reeder excells in capsuling the qualities of great leaders and their style.

It is perhaps unfortunate that the European War is being given twice the coverage as the Pacific War (though the final chapter on the atomic bomb is a *great* finale). This may be attributable to the editor's decision not to produce a longer book.

Alumni and veterans of World War II will be rewarded by indulging this memorable history. Students will also profit by examining the useful appendices dealing with major conferences and referring to the chronology of events.

In summary: a major contribution to the history of our times by a great soldier-author.

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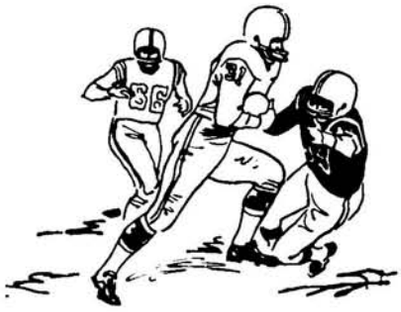
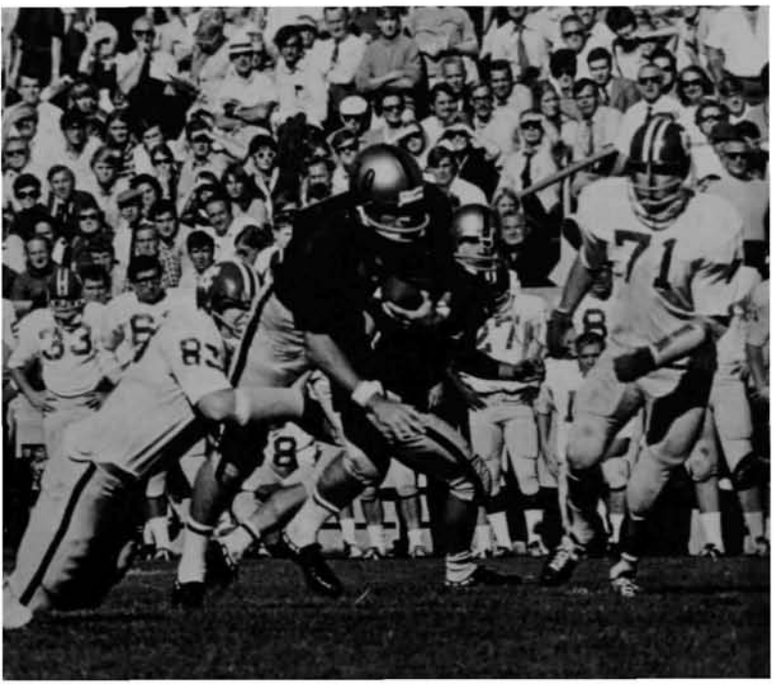


down the field...

by Bob Kinney



ARMY quarterback Bernie Wall tries to elude grasp of Holy Cross defender, but is caught from behind. Wall played second half against Crusaders and guided Cadets to pair of fourth-quarter touchdowns in winning battle for starting quarterback job.

Linebacker Gary Topping (53) follows block thrown by Bob Bishop to pick up extra yardage with an interception return. Newcomer to the ARMY lineup picked off stray Holy Cross aerial and almost returned it for a touchdown in season's opener.

TOM Cahill took a long swallow from his cup of soda pop, then leaned back in the wicker chair he was occupying. Nothing seemed to bother him; he was completely relaxed.

That was early August. Tom Cahill and his staff were spending a week at the Bull Pond retreat, nestled among the hills of Camp Buckner. It was to be a week of relaxation, the calm before the storm, so to speak, for just around the corner was the start of football practice and the very demanding 1970 schedule.

On this particular day the press, radio, and TV personalities from the New York metropolitan and Hudson Valley regions were invited to Bull Pond, the guests of the Army Athletic Association. Some had come a bit early, and joined with Coach Cahill on the screen porch of the main cabin.

The first question fired Coach Cahill's way was to be expected, for it was like all the other Bull Pond press nights. "How will Army be this year?"

Tom Cahill wasted no time in replying, and it soon became quite apparent to all assembled that he was eagerly awaiting the beginning of the practice sessions. "Well, we should be bigger, quicker, deeper and more experienced than we were this time last year," he began. "Nineteen lettermen return, and 14 of those started for us against Navy, so we should be stronger, I suppose," he added.

There was a note of warning in his voice, however, as he continued. "If we receive injuries to some of our key personnel, we could be in serious trouble. While we feel we have adequate depth at some positions, there are other spots where we just can't afford injury."

While Coach Cahill couldn't possibly have known it at the time, that statement was to be an omen of things to come. Less than three weeks later the practice doors opened, and a growing list of injuries began.

First, wide receiver Joe Albano twisted an ankle and was forced to the sidelines for several days. The injury was so acute it prevented him from playing in the season's inaugural with Holy Cross on September 12. Then veteran linemen Paul Watkins and Bob Johnson injured ankles, and they, too, were forced to watch the opening game from the bench.

The medical report wasn't to stop there. Halfback Bill Roden dislocated an elbow early in the game with Holy

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Bruce Simpson (23) is caught in real "Bear" trap as Baylor defenders stop him for no gain. Bernie Wall (10) watches play, but is helpless to render assistance.

Fullback Ray Ritacco, the leading ground gainer through first seven games, battles for every yard he can get during clash with Baylor. Bears thwarted late ARMY rally to hang on for 10-7 upset victory.

Cross and missed the next four dates; punter Tom Peterson suffered a severe knee injury, also against Holy Cross, and is through for the year; safety Randy Stein has missed three games with a shoulder separation; Albano re-injured his ankle and went to the sidelines for three games in succession; defensive end Bob Bishop may be out for the season following a kidney injury suffered against Virginia; ditto for tight end Mike Masciello, the result of a knee injury in the clash with Notre Dame; and defensive end John Roth still is hobbling from an ankle sprain that has caused him to miss two contests.

All of these walking wounded were starters prior to the start of the campaign. In most cases, the personnel named to replace them in the lineup were inexperienced, many playing in the varsity game for the first time.

Keep in mind, too, the schedule the 1970 band of Cadet warriors inherited. Following the opener with Holy Cross, the 11th game added to the slate upon approval of the NCAA, ARMY was faced with the unenviable task of playing, in order, Baylor, Nebraska, Tennessee, Notre Dame, Virginia, Penn State, Boston College, Syracuse, Oregon, and Navy. Nebraska, Tennessee, Notre Dame (three opponents to be met on successive Saturdays, and all on the road) and Penn State appeared in Bowl games last year, making the challenge that much more demanding.

Minus the services of Albano, Watkins, and Johnson, the Cadets entertained Holy Cross as the curtain rose on the '70 season. It was a good afternoon, too, with ARMY taking a 26-0 decision, but the six ensuing Saturdays have left anything but joy in their wake. Plagued by injury, sophomore mistakes, and a near-impossible schedule, ARMY dropped verdicts to Baylor, Nebraska, Tennessee, Notre Dame, Virginia, and Penn State, the latter coming before a capacity Homecoming crowd at Michie Stadium.

Thus, with the season better than half completed and the won-lost record at a disappointing one up and six down, ARMY must look to the remaining four games with the full knowledge it can do no better than finish the year below the coveted .500 mark. Yes, the record book will show a losing season, but it should also note that the 1970 team stacks up as one of the most courageous ARMY teams in the history of football at the Military Academy.

Coach Cahill's charges made few mistakes against Holy Cross, losing the ball only once on a fumble, and

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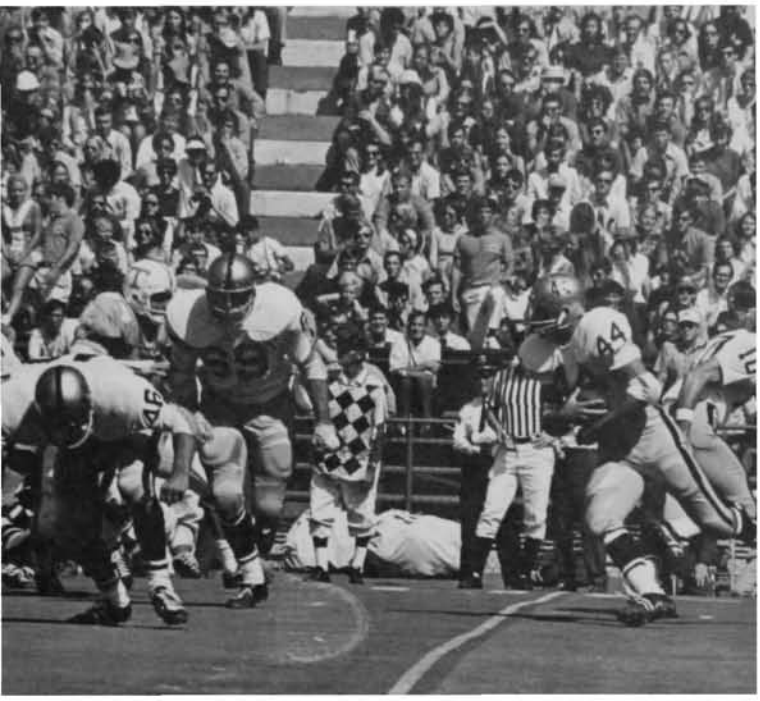
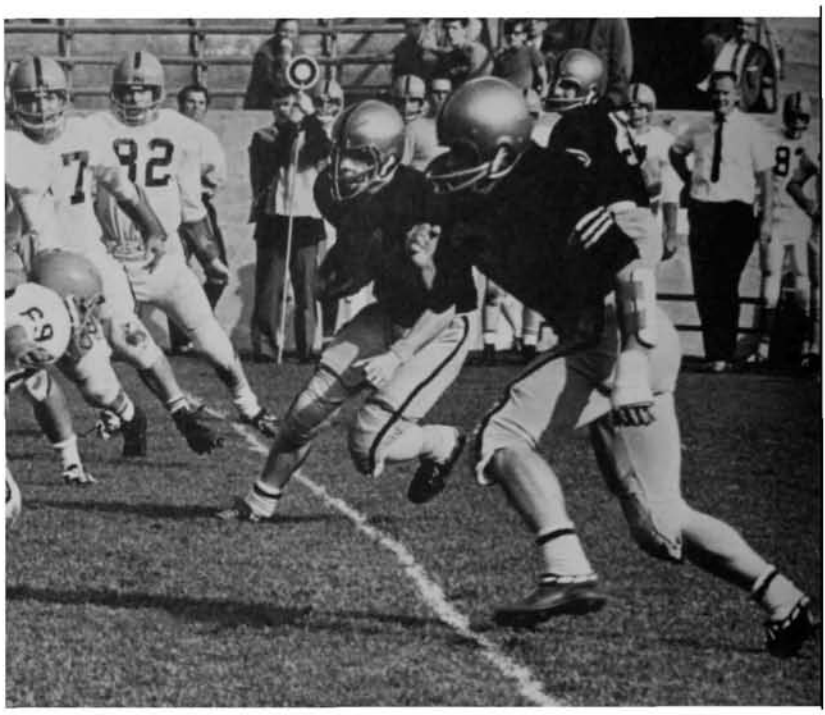


Running of halfback Bob Hines brightened otherwise painful afternoon at Tennessee. Here Hines takes off for sizeable gain during second-quarter action.



Interceptions played a key role in lightweight victory over Princeton. Here safety Frank Hagenbeck begins journey which resulted in 50-yard interception return for a touchdown to give ARMY a lead it never relinquished.

by intermission had built a 9-0 lead they were not about to relinquish. The Crusaders, returning to the football wars after a hepatitis epidemic had forced cancellation of the final eight games in 1969, could manage but 83 yards total offense in the first half, and but 147 yards overall.

ARMY's defense set up most of the scoring. In the opening stanza defensive end John Roth smothered Crusader punter Mark Becker in the end zone for a safety, and the Cadets put their first points of the season on the scoreboard. They added seven more in the second quarter following a fumble recovery by Roth. The Second Classman from Allentown, Pa., enjoying a fine afternoon, crashed through the offensive wall set up by Holy Cross, jarred the ball loose from quarterback Mark Mowatt, and fell on the loose pigskin to complete an outstanding effort.

Four plays later halfback Bruce Simpson followed his interference into the end zone, a four-yard gallop with 11:26 showing on the clock. Kicking specialist Arden Jensen added the conversion point and, just like that, ARMY was well on its way to an opening-day victory.

Jensen, the premiere kicking specialist in ARMY history, provided the Cadets with three more points in the third quarter with a booming 42-yard field goal. Then, with time running out on the Holy Cross club, a pair of timely interceptions by linebacker Gary Topping and defensive back Matt Wotell set the stage for two ARMY touchdowns.

Topping set the wheels in motion with his catch at the ARMY 33. He almost returned it for a touchdown, too, but finally was corralled at the Crusader 3. Two plays later Bob Hines swept right end from four yards out to put six more points on the scoreboard.

Wotell, another newcomer celebrating a successful varsity debut, followed in Topping's tracks less than two minutes later with his theft at the ARMY 47. He, too, almost returned it for a score, but was forced down on the Holy Cross 17 after a scintillating runback. Quarterback Bernie Wall was quick to take advantage of the break, teaming with tight end Mike Masciello on an 11-yard touchdown strike.

The 1970 edition had launched the season on a winning note, providing opportunity for rejoicing. There has been no rejoicing since, however, as the Cadets are bogged down in a six-game losing string, the longest in Academy history.

The slide began with Baylor on the 19th of September. Following a scoreless first half in which both sides were forced to punt quite regularly, the Bears managed to break through for 10 quick points in the third canto. A fumble by Wall on his own 38 set up Baylor's only touchdown, a 30-yard sprint by Matt Williams. Just moments later an errant Wall pass was intercepted, but this time the Bears, winless in 1969 and beaten in their opener this fall, were forced to settle for a field goal. It proved to be the winner.

Following the Baylor field goal, the Cadets stormed back to put seven points on the ARMY side of the score. They marched 62 yards in just seven plays, most of the gain coming on pin-point passes from Wall to Albano. On the seventh play Wall hit his favorite receiver with a 10-yard strike, and Jensen promptly booted home the conversion.

The Michie Stadium crowd of better than 36,000 hardly had regained their seats when ARMY was at it again. Linebacker Bob Coonan hit Williams so convincingly he forced a fumble, and an alert Dave Smith was right there to recover for the home forces. Four plays later ARMY was camped on the Baylor 5, but a bad pitch from Wall to Hines was fumbled, Baylor fell on the loose ball, and the threat was halted.

The Cadets still weren't through. Early into the final

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Linebacker Keith Workman leaps high to intercept pass intended for Princeton's Bruce Hahn. Cadet lightweights punished Princeton, 53-0, and appear headed for another Eastern Lightweight League championship. ARMY has won title every even-numbered year since 1958.

quarter they battled their way to the Bears' 10, but a costly 15-yard penalty for an ineligible receiver downfield threw them back out of field goal range and erased that drive. Twice more ARMY penetrated the Baylor 25, but on one occasion a 41-yard field goal attempt by Jensen was short, while the second time a Wall pass intended for flanker Dusty Triplett was picked off.

Thus, the end result read 10-7 in favor of Baylor

The Cadets had managed to march from one end of the field to the other, yet could show but seven points for their efforts. Next, the start of a four-game road trip, first stop Nebraska, and the Cornhuskers were coming off a 21-21 tie with highly-regarded Southern California.

Individually, ARMY was not without highlights. Albano, returning to the lineup but still playing on a swollen ankle, caught ten passes to set an ARMY record for the most receptions in a single game. And Smith, playing perhaps the finest game of his ARMY career, was credited with 24 tackles and one fumble recovery.

Few among the packed house of 67,000 rated ARMY much of a chance against the powerful Nebraska crew, yet by the half several were believers, including Nebraska coach Bob Devaney. The Cornhuskers led by a scant 7-0 margin, that coming on an electrifying 43-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Jerry Tagge to speedster Johnny Rodgers.

Coach Devaney, owning the best victory percentage among all active coaches, admitted later his juggernaut running corps was unable to move against the Cadet defensive line. So, at the half, he made some adjustments, decided to go to the air and was able to walk off a 28-0 victor. Nebraska struck for three TD's in the second half, two the result of long passes, the other set up by a dazzling 38-yard punt return by Rodgers.

ARMY had played well, very well. Nebraska simply was too big, too deep, and too able. By mid-season Nebraska had yet to lose and was a unanimous choice for No. 4 in the nation by both wire services.

Next stop, Knoxville, Tennessee. This, too, was not to be ARMY's day as the Volunteers breezed to a one-sided 48-3 win. The Cadets had chances in the early going, but once the Tennessee offense (*Continued on page 51*)

Al Fleumer sets sights on Rutgers goal as he prepares for shot. Cadets took 4-0 decision that afternoon.

ARMY runners show big edge as they round turn in meet with Merrimack and Central Connecticut. Early season spurt has guaranteed harriers another winning season.

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Bob Foley

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of Michigan, and First Sergeant Edward Fulgham, of California. We three were just like that." Foley held up three fingers close together. "Fulgham, eleven years older than I, helped me make Company A into a unit we were proud of. He had the experience, invaluable. After a hard day of training, we'd come in and he'd have hustled steaks for the men, two inches thick. In about two and a half months, my company began to shape up. The men and I developed confidence in each other."

(Once a famous Midwestern sportswriter derided a combat leader for saying "my company," thinking him overly possessive. A true leader of a company, like Robert Foley, actually feels that the company belongs to him. He is responsible for its performance. He chastises the laggards and wayward men, encourages and rewards the others. The soldiers become his sons. German military leaders recognized this long ago by saying, "The first sergeant is the mother of the company, the captain the father.")

Just before Company A entered the combat area on a dangerous mission, a short, stocky individual walked up to Captain Foley and said, "Sir, I am Private First Class John Franklin Baker, cannoneer. I don't like it where I am. I know you have a swell outfit. Will you please let me transfer to your company?"

Baker joined Foley's company just before it received the assignment to enter the jungle to rescue another infantry company pinned down by the Viet Cong. Conditions were not unlike circumstances in the Wilderness of Virginia during the Civil War in 1863 and 1864, except for debilitating, humid heat of the tropics. In both instances, infantrymen off the roads and trails were fortunate if they could see more than two comrades at a time. It was very hard to see the enemy.

Of the advance of Company A, Bob Foley wrote for this book:

> Visibility was limited to five to ten meters. We had moved approximately seventy meters outside of friendly lines when we were hit with heavy automatic-weapons fire from numerous positions to our front. Also, there were snipers in trees who, besides firing their weapons, occasionally threw hand grenades. Because of dense foliage, it was extremely difficult to pinpoint enemy positions—a flock of bunkers.
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> The enemy had erected a network of these bunkers. That was our immediate problem.

The bunkers were small forts built of logs and earth, cleverly camouflaged with vines and jungle growth, and sunk in the dirt so that the tops were almost not visible aboveground. Men in them fired through ports cut in the logs.

Foley's inherent modesty was clearly evident when he talked of the attack on the maze of bunkers. When the Viet Cong guns first opened fire, he ran toward the danger. Two friends, radiomen following him, cried out as they fell wounded. They looked pitiful in the dirt.

Captain Foley turned and helped both men back through the underbrush and clumps of bamboo to a first-aid man. Running back to the front of the company, he passed another wounded man of Company A slumped over his 7.62 machine gun. In the language of Mel Wenner: "Foley was now turned on, ready to do anything for his men."

Deafening fire from the bunkers sent bullets zip-cracking through lanes the V.C. had previously cut through the jungle. "These lanes of fire," Foley said, "were cut smartly at interlocking angles. You couldn't see the paths when you were standing, but the V.C. could see you. Each bunker had at least two lanes of fire."

Foley picked up the twenty-five-pound machine gun. He checked its ammunition. He shouted orders to his assistants so the company could attack, then he charged and overpowered the enemy in the nearest bunker.

When he arrived at point "B" in the sketch, he stopped in order to locate the powerful Chinese Communist 12.7 mm. heavy machine gun thundering bullets through the jungle. "That weapon," Foley said later, "fires a slug the size of a man's thumb. It sounds even more terrible than our .50 caliber."

Foley looked around as a man plunked himself down beside him. It was Private Baker. When Baker caught his breath, he pointed to the left front. "Captain, I think the cause of most of our trouble comes from that Chinese machine gun in that fortified house." Baker got up and charged through the tangled jungle to his left, on a route to the blockhouse.

When Bob Foley single-handedly charged another bunker, a V.C. hand grenade blew him off his feet, wounding him in his left side. His heart was pounding as if it were going to rip his chest. His breath came in gasps. He fired a burst through the ports of a bunker about fifteen yards away and kept attacking until he had destroyed a total of three enemy bunkers and the Viet Cong fighters in them.

Baker's performance was not much different. He killed four Viet Cong snipers, helping a wounded man to the rear, and returned to attack five bunkers, destroying four. When his ammunition was exhausted, Baker dragged two more wounded to safety. Finally a hand grenade cut into his flesh.

While Private Baker was putting on his foray, Captain Foley had his wounds bound, but he did not let himself be carried out. He stayed in command, directing his company in the rescue of the men they had come to save. In a few hours, when the mission was accomplished, he ordered a withdrawal. Foley staggered out of the jungle behind his friends—the last to leave the scene.

A few months after Bob received the Medal of Honor, orders returned him to West Point, where he became a Tactical Officer, commanding a company of cadets. "This is quite a challenge," he said in his understating way. "I've a heck of a lot to learn."

At West Point, Foley sought additional work, enrolling in the Army's graduate study program, traveling at night to Fairleigh Dickinson College in New Jersey in pursuit of a Master's Degree in Business Management. "I find this fascinating," he said, "but my main job is taking care of the cadets in my Company E-3." These were Robert Foley's new friends.

When Robert Burns wrote in 1785 of companionship, no doubt he thought of a man like Robert Foley:

> Now, sir, if ye hae friends enow,
> Though real friends I b'lieve are few,
> Yet, if your catalogue be fou,
> I'se no insist,
> But gif ye want ae friend that's true,
> I'm on your list.

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Buddy Bucha

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respects for their setting the example as leaders: Colonel Lawrence L. Mowery, his Brigade Commander, and Colonel John F. Forrest '49, his Battalion Commander. "I see that you just received a Master's Degree, and you are an Academy graduate. What you don't know is how to be a Lieutenant."

Under the guidance of Mowery and Forrest, Buddy Bucha learned quickly how to be a Lieutenant, and on 1 September 1967 assumed command of D Company, 3d Battalion (Airborne), 187th Infantry. "At first I was also First Sergeant, Clerk, just about everything," he said. I had about thirty men—a hodgepodge—everything but Infantrymen. I finally found a good, tough First Sergeant, and as we built the unit, we had E-3s and E-4s for squad leaders. About one-half of the men had stockade records."

Raymond R. Coffey of *Daily News Service* perhaps best summed up Bucha's company in a 30 March 1968 *Chicago Daily News* article headlined: "From 'clerks and jerks' to heroes." Coffey pays tribute to Bucha and "a tough, old first sergeant, a Creek Indian from Oklahoma.

"But Bucha's one-time 'clerks and jerks' now are a proud bunch of heroes who've been recommended for dozens of medals for valor. And the Captain . . . said he 'wouldn't swap them for any other troops in Vietnam.' "

Bucha declines to discuss his role in the action in which he received the Congressional Medal of Honor; instead he credits his troops. An excerpt from the citation, however, describes in part his heroic efforts after his unit was flown by

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helicopter into a suspected enemy stronghold where lead elements were hotly engaged:

". . . Captain Bucha, with complete disregard for his own safety, moved to the threatened area to direct the defense. . . . Seeing that his men were pinned down by heavy machine gun fire from a concealed bunker located some forty meters to the front of the positions, Captain Bucha crawled through the hail of fire to single-handedly destroy the bunker with grenades. . . ."

Captain Bucha was wounded painfully by shrapnel during that action but continued cooly directing his men. At one point during the night, "Using flashlights in complete view of enemy snipers, he directed the medical evacuation of three air-ambulance loads of seriously wounded personnel and the helicopter supply of his company. . . .

". . . Captain Bucha, by his extraordinary heroism, inspirational example, outstanding leadership, and professional competence, led his company in the decimation of a superior force. . . ."

Colonel Lawrence L. Mowery, the Brigade Commander, describes the action in a "line" Officer's terms. "It was a tremendous action," Mowery said. "It was in a tough area, War Zone D, and all of a sudden a tenacious enemy had Bucha's unit 'locked up.' They thought they had him blocked. Actually he 'had' them."

Mowery relates a key to Bucha's leadership talent, "he has a keen interest in people," Mowery said. "No coddling, but he knows them perhaps better than they know themselves. He helps them and guides them. You can give him any job, and he'll do it well. In sum, he epitomizes the young man that you always think of as the ideal Infantry Officer—intelligent with the ability to apply common sense."

With Bucha's return to West Point, guiding young men reflects the hallmark of his work, on and off duty. As an Assistant Professor and an Assistant Swimming Coach he remains close to the Corps. He also has earned a reputation in counseling cadets anxious about their futures. His rapport with the Corps seems to stem from his associations of cadet days.

"Cadets today are phenomenal," he said. "They have marvelous minds, and strong opinions of their own. Also they are more serious than they were in my cadet day—perhaps portraying the mood of the nation.

"A cadet uses a 'me and you' approach. He wants to know how he fits into the pattern of life and how you do. When a cadet expresses doubts about his future, I try to explain that it is natural to have doubts—that I too have them. If you deal with a cadet on a person to person basis, he will respond. In the end I always hope that no matter what course of action a cadet selects, service to people is a prime consideration."

The fact that Bucha does not explain his success as a counsellor is learned from others. He has been a positive factor in pointing doubtful cadets toward a Service career.

One of the most striking observations of Buddy Bucha, however, is his carrying forward the strong family ties of his youth in his own family life.

Living in the Highland Falls, New York, community, with his talented and artistic wife Carolyn and young son Jason, he continues his selflessness to the Service and to other people concept so deeply imbued in him.

Carolyn Bucha, a strong Service supporter herself who coincidentally was introduced to Buddy by classmate and close friend Rollie Stichweh, shares his ideas. And Buddy's most immediate concern today is to provide assistance to youngsters using drugs. And in his adopted hometown, he has taken an active role.

Chris Farlekas, a feature writer for a Middletown, New York, newspaper, discussed Bucha as seen through the eyes of a skilled journalist. "He and I went to an 'encounter session,'" Farlekas said, explaining that an "encounter" was a therapeutic drug community where attendees "open up to each other."

Farlekas said that after the "encounter" Buddy spent several hours with the attendees. "It was a beautiful thing to see and impressed me, watching him and them. There is no barrier or 'up tight' situation. He opens up to them and they to him."

Farlekas compliments Bucha not only for his interest in community affairs but also for his ability to talk with people as equals regardless of race, creed, or social status.

"I found Buddy Bucha to be one of the most outstanding men I ever met. He has a grace and honesty that I think makes him an asset to any community or situation in which he becomes involved."

The words of Chris Farlekas echo the feelings of Buddy Bucha's subordinates, contemporaries, and superiors alike.

Esprit de Cavalry

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veteran — and Pipedream, who once had won a hunter class in Madison Square Garden, lived many more happy years together and finally were buried, as befit their careers, beneath the ground where thousands of young men trained for WW II, Korea and now, for Vietnam.

The once glorious old U.S. horse cavalry has followed Geronimo, Wounded Knee and Sitting Bull over the horizon into oblivion. And it's a bloody shame, too. Perhaps there's no place in modern combat for a horse-soldier; but there is a place for the man who has been trained in the hard school of animal management and who has learned to take care of something, or someone else, first, then himself. Moreover, it would make more sense to see a regiment of cavalry attending to ceremonial functions around Washington than foot-soldiers or, worse yet, the chorus line from "The Student Prince."

The world's richest country either can't afford it or considers such a thing as ostentation not befitting democracy, to mount even one cavalry regiment — which costs peanuts to forage and provide. Nor, apparently, does the U.S. care to recognize some sort of proving ground and fountainhead for inculcating a dash of charisma into the otherwise colorless routine of a modern cavalryman—a tank officer. Sometimes, it seems, we dig this drab, breast-beating exhibition of self-abnegation a bit too deeply.

Meanwhile, a clutch of countries, globe-wide — none of whom are exactly setting the international financial world afire — continue to contain plenty of cavalry regiments in their tables of organizations: Turkey, Pakistan, the USSR, India, Italy, Mexico, Argentina and — financially shaky as she is — England, all have retained their share of horse soldiers.

An American tourist to London will return with some pretty colorful memories; but one of the glossiest will be his recollection of the Brigade of Guards. Consisting of five regiments of foot and two of horse (The Life Guards and the Horse Guards, or the Blues), this contingent has been famous since about the time of the American Revolution for two things: In peacetime London, its associated duties surrounding the Royal household at Buckingham and Windsor and, in wartime, for being the first units to be blooded.

Its officers traditionally have been drawn from the landed aristocracy and its troopers, for the most part, fill ranks their fathers once occupied. They're a good, hardy, horse-riding lot and don't differ one whit from the old U.S. cavalryman, who spent over a century reducing the dimensions of the West, conquering its geographical vagaries and its Indians, then found himself summarily tossed into history's ash can.

But a cavalryman is the same in any language. And what brought all this to mind was a rather flippant bit of literary badinage announcing the British had been selling their time-expired cavalry steeds over on the Continent, there to end up as Sunday roasts on French peasant's dining room tables or as dog food. I don't believe it.

Five or six years ago, I was stationed in London. My wife and I lived in Knightsbridge about two hundred meters from the cavalry barracks. Each day these troopers off household duties trotted past our flat, down Hyde Park's Rotten Row and developed a scene calculated to make my wife clutch her throat and almost cry from childhood nostalgia. My counterpart on the Imperial Defence Staff, Lieutenant

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General Sir Denis S.S. O'Connor, Lord Mountbatten's deputy, was a Guards officer himself and introduced us to the Blues commander, Colonel Redgrave.

In due course, we were invited to visit the barracks, stables, mess and the rest of the fixtures. It was the old days all over and my wife went through the whole place on cloud nine, in a sort of glassy-eyed, mouth-agape vacuum. It was Fort Myer, Huachuca, Riley, Bliss, Oglethorpe and Monterey all over again.

Finally we visited the area for sick animals and down in a far box stall stood a forlorn old fellow, sad of eye, droopy-eared and pointing a forefoot.

My wife sauntered over, talking from twenty feet away. Up went the ears, and with dilated nostrils, he let out a half-hearted whinny. He knew he had a friend; and while he buried his muzzle in the shoulder of her rough tweed coat, she turned and asked our guide – a painfully youthful lieutenant with a hyphenated name – what it was ailing the old beagle.

"He's had it. He has a big jump and has won a lot of silver for the regiment, but fourteen years, motionless, at Whitehall have stove him up. If this deep straw doesn't bring him around, we'll have to get rid of him."

Shades of the gravel pit! My wife looked rather emotionally at me and then said: "But what if he doesn't come around? What then?"

"Well, some officer will buy him for his children. Or someone else will bail the old fellow out. My father must have a half-dozen of these old goats rusticating down on his place in Dorset. But you have to buy them, and seventy pounds for charity is pretty high, isn't it?"

"But what if there are no takers? What then?"

"Well, the worst that could happen is destruction. We make certain these old campaigners don't end up pulling an ironmonger's cart. They've earned their rest and deserve an honorable finale."

And my wife breathed an audible sigh.

If you believe that jazz about the British Army selling its time-expired chargers for Fido-food or as commodities to hang in a French boucherie chevaline, I dare say you're wrong. For a cavalryman is a cavalryman, regardless of the flag he serves.

And the day still exists when he would as soon sever his arm as cavalierly give up his horse to someone who won't handle him properly. Or, through ignorance, will let him suffer. The cavalryman would sooner see the animal dead – or sooner be dead himself.

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Crossroads Africa

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does much more than introduce cadets to another culture. The program involves both black and white Americans and Canadians with varied backgrounds and beliefs, in projects which force them to work and live together over an extended period of time. The resulting tensions and conflicts that have arisen among Crossroaders have not always produced positive results, but at least for Ted Hoffman it provided an opportunity that he found significantly beneficial. He comments: "While I had been intellectually aware of racial problems and student protest in the United States, I had experienced little direct confrontation with these issues. Living with militant blacks and having lengthy discussions with the whites provided me with a wealth of illuminating knowledge and impressions."

The cadets encountered another issue that is a product of America's problems. As representatives of the United States Military Academy they met with some initial hostility from their civilian colleagues and spent many hours in discussions on the role of the military in our society. In meeting this challenge, each of the four indicated that a greater understanding on their part and on the part of their civilian counterpart had been gained. The following comment by Mike Ryan represents very well the feelings of all four of the West Point Crossroaders on the value of this aspect of the summer's experience: "Participation in the program by West Point displays an interest in an area that the military does not often deal. That is, the Military Academy is willing to allow four or five cadets to participate in a program which is very non-military in orientation, and has as its goal learning about Africa and having Africans learn about Americans. I feel that in these troubled times, the image of America that many college students carry to Africa is, for the most part, less than favorable. I feel that the presence of a cadet can assure that both sides are presented, that problems are kept in perspective, and that the image of America, especially the military, is not distorted.

"Through discussion and argument, I feel I gained a greater understanding of the way college students feel and think, and at the same time I think they left with a less harsh view of the military. I feel communication is crucial, and cadet participation, though in a small way, allows for it."

The experience of daily contact with people of a different culture, in addition to almost daily discussions, of the type mentioned above, with other Americans, Canadians, and Africans, had another interesting and significant benefit for our four Crossroaders—a greater appreciation for the values of the United States. "I gained a greater appreciation for the freedoms offered by our form of government and my desire to see our own continent was increased." (John Robinson)

"As a result of this experience I have a greater respect for the United States and what it stands for." (Mike Ryan)

Finally, Jim Peterson's comment adequately sums up the expressed feelings of the four about the overall personal benefit they have received as a result of the experience last summer. He states: "This program is more worthwhile to a cadet than to any of the other participants, including college students and Africans. The experience is so different from any other that we can undergo at West Point that it cannot help but make a profound impression on you if you go into it with enthusiasm and a mind open to a different culture and political bias. Beyond the general value of bringing Americans into a close relationship with Africans, there are benefits which accrue uniquely to those of us in the military. There is massive ignorance among college students today about the structure, goals, training and personnel in the military. A cadet not only has the chance to learn to understand the type of person he may be required to lead into combat but he also has the opportunity to educate the college student about the type of man who might some day be his military leader. One of my finest feelings during the summer was sensing my evolvement in the eyes of my peers from an interesting attraction vaguely connected with 'the military' to an accepted and respected member of our work team."

Further Utilization of the Experience

Of immediate and direct application will be the several talks and presentations which these cadets will be called upon to give to the Corps of Cadets, to various civic organizations and educational institutions in the vicinty of West Point, and at home while on leave. Of direct importance, also, is the personal experience they will be able to bring to bear in classroom discussions for lessons on Africa and the emerging nations in the prescribed curriculum. All four are, moreover, likely candidates to represent the United States Military Academy at student conferences discussing the underdeveloped areas.

More fundamental and more lasting is the attitude and experience these cadets will be able to present informally to their fellow cadets and officers throughout their careers. Junior officers are also very likely to face other cultures early in their careers. In short, the knowledge, the experience, and the appreciation for the problems and aspirations of others (both Africans and fellow Americans) which these cadets have gained should be significantly helpful in building the broad base of knowledge, understanding, and leadership competence that the United States Army needs in its junior officers of today.

There is an increasing requirement for responsible Americans to develop a deeper knowledge about, and wider experience in, those portions of the world undergoing rapid modernization. The summer's effort of these cadets is a direct contribution, educationally and professionally, toward meeting that requirement.

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It is appropriate to close this article with one more quote from one of the four. Ted Hoffman, upon reflection about the overall value of the experience this summer, stated succinctly: "This summer was one of the most maturing periods of my life. If it were possible, I would recommend that all cadets participate in this or a similar program."

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Down The Field

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shifted into high gear, there was no stopping it. Enough said for that afternoon.

The ARMY-Notre Dame rivalry, long considered one of the more attractive ones in the world of college football, was renewed the following Saturday in South Bend. The Irish came into the game undefeated, and left it the same way following an awesome 51-10 thrashing. The 51 points represented the most ever scored by any team against ARMY.

With quarterback Joe Theismann finding such receivers as split end Tom Gatewood and tight end Bob Creaney with alarming consistency, and running backs Darryll Dewan, Bob Minnix, and Ed Gulyas scooting through holes, the Irish were able to move at will. But at times so were the Cadets, and it should be noted that ARMY's second offensive line was on the field when the Cadets scored a touchdown against Notre Dame's first defensive unit. Prior to the game the Irish had blanked Purdue and Michigan State on back-to-back Saturdays.

Jensen accounted for three points in the first half with a 42-yard field goal, while Wall kept from a yard out to score late in the third quarter. Wall set up the touchdown with a pass to receiver Mike Gaines, bumped out of bounds just inside the flag.

The Cadets took to the road again the following Saturday, meeting Virginia at Charlottesville. They opened up as if they meant to run the Cavaliers right out of Scott Stadium, scoring ten quick points after less than seven minutes of play, but when the shouting was all over Virginia held a 21-20 victory in its grasp.

The first time ARMY had the ball it marched to the Virginia 15, but the attack stalled there. So Jensen booted a 42-yarder, figuring three points were better than none. Then Chuck Blakely intercepted a pass seconds later, and this time Wall converted it into a touchdown with his nine-yard keeper around right end.

It was here Virginia caught fire and put two quick scores on the board. But, with sophomore Dick Atha calling the shots, the Cadets stormed right back with another ten points, and by intermission held a six-point lead, 20-14.

Atha, filling in for Wall who was shaken up momentarily, first fired a 23-yard TD pass to Triplett, then put the offense in position so Jensen could boot a record-setting 47-yard field goal.

The fourth period was one play old when Virginia scored its third touchdown of the afternoon, and added the all-important extra point which proved the winner. ARMY wasn't exactly through, though, and with less than a minute remaining had marched to the Cavalier 28. A very costly 15-yard penalty ruined all chances, however, and sent the Cadets to their fifth straight setback.

After a solid month on the road, ARMY returned to the confines of Michie Stadium for its Homecoming clash with Penn State. The Nittany Lions were anything but hospitable, and before the game was six minutes old had built a 10-0 cushion.

Jensen narrowed the deficit to 10-3 with his seventh field goal of the campaign, yet that was to be as close as the Cadets could get. Penn State added a pair of touchdowns in the second quarter, one on a 35-yard interception return, then proceeded to add more points in a 38-14 triumph. The final State score came on the final play of the game, but by that time the matter had been settled.

Four games remain—Boston College, Syracuse, Oregon and Navy. A winning season is out of the picture mathematically, but plenty of time still remains for this '70 team to "put it all together."

Success on Other Fronts

Elsewhere on the varsity front, there is good news from the 150-pound football, soccer, and cross country squads. The three together have combined for 16 victories against but three defeats, and all show marked improvement over respective '69 seasons.

Eric Tipton's lightweights, who seem to delight in winning the Eastern League championship during the even-numbered years, are sticking to the script one hundred percent. They opened the season with decisive victories over Columbia (17-0) and Princeton (53-0), then turned back the two clubs they had to—namely, Navy (19-7) and Cornell (14-7).

The big one, of course, came against arch-rival Navy at Annapolis when the lightweights shot out to a 19-0 lead and made it stand up. But the win over Cornell was not decided until the final minute of play when quarterback Bill Lord tossed a 21-yard touchdown pass to end Mike Ryan with just 53 seconds remaining. The Cadets trailed 7-6 at the time, and a loss may have spelled disaster as far as the championship banner goes.

ARMY's soccer team, under the tactful guidance of Joe Palone, shows a 6-1 record through mid-October, and seems headed for the NCAA tournament for the seventh time in eight years. The lone blemish came at the hands of powerful Brown, 2-0, but that loss should not hurt the chances of gaining a tournament berth, unless the booters falter along the way with such opponents as Hofstra, Coast Guard, and Seton Hall.

The biggest weapon thus far has been goalie Dan Scioletti, making a serious bid for all-America honors. The team captain has shutouts over the Merchant Marine Academy, Yale, Rutgers, and NYU to his credit, and in the seven games has allowed but five goals to elude his grasp.

The harriers of veteran coach Carleton Crowell already have surpassed last year's victory output, and are well on their way to an excellent season. Last year's squad could manage but five victories, but decisions this fall over the likes of Fairleigh Dickinson, Merrimack, Central Connecticut, Syracuse, NYU, and Rutgers guarantees a superior '70 campaign.

Depth has been the winning factor for the thinclads, with several runners figuring prominently in the overall picture. Bob Curran, Les Alm, Jeff McNally, Steve Flynn and Clint Miner are just some of the names who are helping make the 1970 season a winning one.

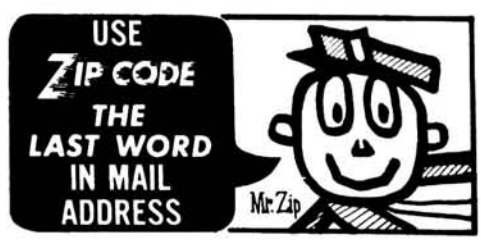
Basketball Practice Underway

Basketball practice began October 15 in the Field House as close to 20 candidates reported to Coach Bob Knight. He was quick to remind them of one fact—six of the past seven ARMY teams have played in the NIT—and just as quick to remind them he'd like nothing better than to take this year's club there, too.

The losses of leading scorer Jim Oxley and top rebounder Mike Gyovai from the 1969-70 club which compiled a fashionable 22-6 record, led the nation in team defense, and finished third in the NIT will make Coach Knight's chores quite difficult this winter, but the youthful mentor isn't getting out the crying towel just yet. Four lettermen, paced by captain Doug Clevenger, do return to provide a solid nucleus around which to rebuild.

Clevenger, considered by Coach Knight as one of the very best players in the East, averaged just under 14 points per game last year, but lends so much more to the game with his excellent defensive ability. Also back are lettermen Max Miller, a fierce rebounder, Ed Mueller, and Dave Ralph.

Additional help can be expected from holdovers Wally Wojdakowski, Joe Halloran, and Bob Freeman, as well as from a solid group of sophomore newcomers who as Plebes were 14-5. Heading this cast are guards Bob Sherwin and John O'Maley, rated as "perhaps the quickest set of guards ARMY has ever had."



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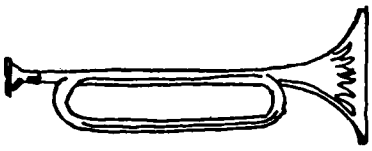

REPORT

. . . from the classes

'03

Maj. Gen. Max C. Tyler
2500 Q Street, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20007

Jakie **Wuest** celebrated his 90th birthday anniversary in Aschaffenburg, Germany. He writes that he has returned to Orlando, Fla., after 2½ months in Germany with stops in Boston and West Point. The trip was good, but many changes have happened since his last trip in 1966. "Too many cars, too many wild drivers, signs of prosperity everywhere, and too much money. Luckily I was not troubled that way." Larger cities are crowded, and reservations hard to get. This was particularly so in Munich where everything is torn up in preparation for the Olympics scheduled there in 1972.

We greatly regret having to report that Albert **Gilmor's** wife Helen died suddenly on 19 Aug. in Southampton, Long Island.

'07

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

Oliver **Wood** and his brother Roy visited N. J. beaches, Boston and Halifax, Nova Scotia. That man Oliver certainly gets around. Jim **Laubach** vacationing at Myrtle Beach, S. C., says the water is fine, most enjoyable. He invited the Washington group to join him.

Sandy **Chilton** regrets that there are no more Winston Churchill birthday cards. Reproductions of some of his paintings were made some years ago, and we have had all 6 in the last few years. Sandy uses them as bookmarks in his various volumes which wile away the hours when he can't sleep. He had a gala birthday on his 84th. It began the night before when asked to share the celebration at dinner of a much younger—62 years younger—man who also had a birthday on 28 June. He had a couple of long distance calls—so much going and coming that he did not finish the job of irrigating. He has a 4-inch well and pump and a number of aluminum pipes that enable him to put water on any part of his 5 acres. His garden is just about his only activity now. It is a blaze of glory with roses and daylilies. He was delighted with the write-up in the ASSEMBLY for Bradley. He considers Bradley the big brain of the war. He knew him as a cadet, and he and Bradley rode out to the sessions of the Inf School, years later, every morning for nearly a year. He sends repeated thanks for his birthday card.

Fauntley **Miller** left us some months ago. He would have been 88 in Sept. 70. He was ill a long time. Carefree in his Cadet days he had rough going late in life. Enrique **White** sent the customary check to the AOG in memory of Fauntley. A letter of sympathy from the Class went to the nearest relative, MAJ Philip **Miller**, 6132 Main Ave., Orangevale, Calif. 95662.

> Our Association membership of 20,425 represents over 97% 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

Mrs. Earl McFarland died suddenly in Washington 13 Sept. This was an unexpected shock. A loyal and devoted wife she and Earl have travelled together for many years. They have children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. The luncheon group sent flowers. Our sympathy goes out to Earl and the other members of the family.

Among the early supporters of President Nixon were Dan'l and Grace **Boone**. They attended a festive Republican dinner in 1946 when Nixon announced he was opening his campaign for Representative in Congress. Upon leaving, they shook hands with the future President, and Grace said, "Mr. Nixon, my husband and I think you are Presidential timber." Nixon blushed and said, "Oh, Mrs. Boone, I wouldn't say that." As stated earlier Dan'l attended June Week at the Academy. He marched at the head of the column, laid the wreath on the Thayer monument, stood in the reviewing line, and sat at the Supe's table at meal time. He thinks it is about time some one older than he came once in awhile to take the honors. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.

The Aug. meeting of our luncheon group was exceptionally interesting. Oliver **Wood**'s guest was his brother Roy from Ft. Smith, Ark. Enrique **White** had 2 guests, his son, C. H. Jr. '34 and John Hill '24. We were delighted to have them. Tom **Spencer** up from the Fla. Keys joined us. Letters from Sandy **Chilton**, Eddie **Householder**, and Don **MacLachlan** expressing appreciation and thanks for their Class birthday cards were passed around for all to read. Likewise a beautiful letter from Mrs. Fay Brabson to the group expressing the thanks of herself and her children for the flowers from the group seen at Fay's funeral. She said Fay enjoyed meeting with the luncheon group and appreciated being asked to join.

An interesting letter to John **Hill** from his daughter-in-law from Clark Field, Philippines, was read. Later 1 from his son on duty in Vietnam giving the combat officer's view from the fighting zone—exceptionally interesting and enlightening.

Waldo **Potter** wrote that his son Waldo F. June '43, COL A.F. Ret, lives in Orlando, Fla., just 2 hours drive from Port Richey, his home—a great convenience and a great pleasure.

Sound familiar? "The young men dress like women. Children now love luxury, have bad manners, contempt for authority, show disrespect for their elders and love to chatter in place of exercise. Children are now tyrants, not the servants of their households. They no longer rise when elders enter the room. They contradict their parents, chatter before company, gobble up their dainties at the table, cross their legs and tyrannize over their teachers." Socrates (467-400 B. C.)

Table Talk, June, 1970—Published by Marriott-Hot Shoppes Inc., Washington, D. C.

'08

Maj. Gen. Glen E. Edgerton
4000 Cathedral Avenue, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20016

Mrs. R. E. **Cummins** has returned to her home at 25 Esplanade, Pacific Grove, Calif., after a long ocean voyage to the South Seas, New Zealand, Australia, China, and Japan. She says, "This peninsula is a beautiful spot, and my little house, close to the ocean, is eager for guests." However, she is just waiting for the trouble in Northern Ireland to calm down before she starts on a voyage to that somnolent, peaceful region.

Jimmie **Burns** is in good health and spirits in his comfortable apartment at 3301 Connecticut Ave. in Washington. He seems to improve year by year (in this he is bucking a definite general trend) and even goes so far as to say that he might come down to the A-N Club to have lunch with the Class of 1907 and orphans from the other classes that 1907 has adopted for monthly luncheon purposes.

'09

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

We have recently received letters from the **Mountford** sisters relative to their parents. We quote from Helen Ely's: "Very recently my sister Mrs. E. S. ('Dottie') Hartshorn and I helped our mother, Mrs. F. A. **Mountford**, move to the Mar Salle Nursing Home at 2131 O Street, NW., Washington, D. C. Dad moved there last Nov. after being hospitalized at Ft. Belvoir for a month following a fall. It is wonderful that they can be together in such a place, being given excellent care in pleasant, safe, comfortable surroundings. The Mar Salle is conveniently located,

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and it is easy for their friends to go to see them. Makes my sister and I feel very secure about them. My husband Bill and I moved to St. Louis (5290 Waterman, Apt 4E) 4 years ago after Bill's retirement from the Army as a LTG. He is a VP of an engineer-architect's firm. We love St. Louis and are very happy. Our 3 sons (2 in the Service) are happily married."

'10

Brig. Gen. Burton O. Lewis
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4201 Massachusetts Ave., NW.
Washington, D.C. 20016

John **Millikin** made a flying trip to the West Coast last Aug. to see his grandson John III and his 2 great-grandchildren living in Los Angeles. While there, John experienced some of the high speed driving on the Los Angeles Freeways and definitely concluded that this Freeway driving was not for him. On his return flight John stopped off in San Francisco for a few days' visit with Joe Swings.

In her last letter to me from Quaker Hill, Conn., Molly **Dunn** reported she was OK but really preferred to stay around home these days rather than traveling around the country.

We, in Washington, were glad to welcome Gwladys **Leonard** home about the end of Aug. from her "North Cape Cruise." She had had a beautiful time—the weather was fine, the sailing smooth most of the time, and she had thoroughly enjoyed visiting so many interesting places in foreign countries including both coasts of Ireland.

Kay and I made an automobile trip to New England last summer including a very pleasant visit with our granddaughter Kathy who lives in Providence, R. I. We were away from Washington during one of its 90° heat spells and both enjoyed the cool New England air, especially Kay who comes from Maine herself.

We are very sad to report that our distinguished classmate Bev **Dunn** passed away on 14 Aug. at the St. Albans Navy Hospital on Long Island, N. Y., where he had been ill for some time. Bev was buried at West Point with full military honors. Helen plans to continue living on at the family home 912 - 5th Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10021. Two sons survive, one of whom lives in New York City and the other in France where he has been in business for some time.

When these Notes are received, the Holiday Season will be with us again, so from all and to all of 1910 — "A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

'11

Brig. Gen. Harold F. Nichols
36 Lagoon Road
Belvedere, Calif. 94920

Ross **Batson** writes that their pine forest was not entirely wiped out by last year's hurricane, that concentration is being given to the growth of other trees—poplar, maple, dogwood, holly, bay, gum, and magnolia—and that they feel the land is better as a wild life area than before Camille came along in Aug. a year ago.

Another valiant classmate has passed away—Robert W. **Clark** in his sleep on 7 July last. He desired no services, nor flowers, only the interment of his ashes at West Point, which was done on 21 July. Bob was 83 the 17th of last May. He is survived by his wife, the former Ruth Secor, by 4 children, 19 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren.

Mildred **Franke** wrote in June that her daughter "Mim" lives with her and takes care of her affairs. Mildred had dolled up for a recent party given by our John **Wall**'s daughter Helen. She also said that John **Wall** Jr., who is just like his father, was then on duty at the Pentagon. A pleasant surprise in July was a letter from COL Charles R. Gildart, USMA '18, brother of our classmate Robert C. **Gildart**, and now retired and living in Hemet in So. Calif. He inclosed a clipping from the Albion (Mich.) "Journal" which featured pictures of the 5 **Gildarts** of Mich., who have been graduated from West Point, from 1911 to 1951, including 2 sons of Robert and 1 of Charles.

Word has been received from Richland, Ind., that our classmate Dr. Wesley F. **Jolly** has retired after a long and highly successful career. Kitty and Jack **Kutz** flew to Columbus, Ohio, for last summer's annual convention of the Sojourners, he having been for many years a national officer. Kitty's 25th of June birthday was celebrated while there, over 200 delegates rising at dinner to sing "Happy Birthday."

Bill **Morris** reports that of his younger officers in WW II 10th Armored one has become the Vice President of the United States, another the Secretary of the Army, and 6 others have become MGs. Marguerite and Bill drove north on 20 July for a month at Spring Lake, N. J.

Esther **Reinecke**, whose Topeka home was near the area devastated by a terrific tornado several years ago, is now at 1025 Western Ave., Topeka, Kans., 66604. A card from Gerry **Stanton**, postmarked Amsterdam, 26 June, said she had flown to Europe on a 747 for the summer months. Of the plane, her comment: "Too many people, it was like sitting in a theater."

See information on page 38 of the Summer 1970 ASSEMBLY as to the program for the next June Week. Your Scribe, as Reunion Chairman, will query individuals after 1 Jan. for their definite plans, as classmates, wives or widows, to attend the 60th Reunion of 1911's Octogenarians, during 2-5 June 1971. May all possible plan to be there.

'13

Col. Joseph W. Viner
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Virginia Beach, Va. 23451

Not too many '13 Class Notes for this edition. We shall have a lot from our '13 Xmas Class Letter. We know it is getting autumn, for we have football, and down South we eat "okra" with "fat back" this time of year, but soon will shift to "black eyed" peas in this area.

In July we had a joyous visit from Minna **Crutcher** of Memphis, who with her lovely daughter Mrs. Nash of Elizabeth City, N. C., came over to Virginia Beach to visit the **Viners.** Minna has not changed one iota tho' does have some knee trouble due to arthritis.

"Bug" **Oliver** and Janet wrote that they will leave Williamsburg, Mass., early this year—in Oct.—and go to their Fla. home at Deltona, Fla. Hope they come this way.

"Pat" **Rafferty** just announced his marriage to Mrs. G. R. Woodhuff of Morocco, Ind. I sent him Class felicitations. "Pat" is so young!

By the way, ARMY plays U. of Va. on 17 Oct. at Charlottesville, Va. We hope to have a small '13 Reunion as many of us are going down on Fri., stay through Sat., and all celebrate. **Rosevears, Johnsons, Davidsons, Viners,** Priscilla **Newgarden,** and also both the **Raffertys.** Champagne is in order for "Pat."

Henrietta **Gillespie** writes that she hopes to go to the Point for both the Penn State and Syracuse games. She throws a good party and asked all '13s to join her at the Hotel. Better let her know. "Tex" **Davidson** and Eva said they would go up to the Homecoming game this year. He suggests that for our 1973 Reunion we might go there at this time for our 60th Reunion.

MG Knowlton invited "Tex" to visit him at the Point to discuss some excellent ideas that "Tex" has for the betterment of the education of cadets at the Point. Many of these ideas were adopted by the Air Force Academy tho' West Point and Annapolis have been reluctant to change. More of these ideas in our '13 Xmas Letter.

Welks was the '13 Class photographer and took 1,000's of pictures over our 4 years. I was his "bat" boy to help develop the snapshots—so took copies. I made 2 scrapbooks and kept them these 60 years, but the West Point Library said they would like them—so in July I sent them both large scrapbooks. Go look at them one of these days as all or most of the Class is part of this period.

'14

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

Before beginning this letter, I have read over the one I wrote for the Summer 1970, issue of ASSEMBLY; and I have been impressed by how much has happened in the interim. As you shall see, a good deal that has happened is a source of sadness to all of us, but mixed with the sadness should be a feeling of deep thankfulness that those who have left us were with us so long, and that we who remain are still spared to live in this beautiful world, even if we are on "borrowed time."

Skimp and Emily **Brand** went on their month long vacation by plane to the various Hi. Islands and Waikiki Beach, stopping en route in Oakland to spend a week with 2 of Emily's sisters. Returning from Hi., they headed for Denver to visit another sister of Emily's. On leaving Honolulu, they found the plane schedule had been changed, and they stopped at Los Angeles for 1 hour, which gave Skimp the opportunity to telephone Bruz **Waddell,** and then stopped at Las Vegas (hope they didn't have time to squander any money). As a result of these changes, the plane's arrival at the Denver Airport was 9:30 instead of 7:00 pm, and it was 11:00 pm before they could get to bed at their motel. I feel sure the trip was a refreshing pleasure to Skimp and Emily.

During this absence of Skimp from Washington, I was kept busier than usual with Class duties, and this made me realize how indebted we all are to him for the many things he does "beyond the line of duty" as a Class VP, but he seems to want to do this, and does such a fine job. Both of us try hard to keep up with any Class happenings, such as deaths, marriages, illnesses, changes of address, etc., and keep in close touch with each other.

And now I must turn to the unhappy

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duty of reporting the losses we all have sustained since my last letter. In that letter, I reported that Lilian, the wife of Ike **Gill** Jr., had suffered a fall in their home in San Antonio and broken her hip. Unfortunately, the hip joint was broken, and the pin put in was rejected by her body. Infection set in, and she died on 30 July. The **Gills'** daughter, Patsy, Mrs. Thomas F. Richardson, of West Redding, Conn., was with her mother during her illness. Lilian was buried in the Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. The Class of 1914 sent a beautiful spray of flowers.

In my last letter, I reported that on 11 June, Eleanor **Cress** had a severe stroke and underwent brain surgery at the U. of Palo Alto Hospital, to relieve the pressure. Mary and Bill **Ryan** were very helpful in notifying me of the situation and developments. The operation was successful, and after intensive care, she was transferred to convalescent care, but Eleanor died peacefully in her sleep in the early morning of 29 June. The notification of her death was sent to me and some other classmates by GEN Jack Code, a close friend of Jim and Eleanor. A memorial service was held for her in Palo Alto, and she was buried beside Jim in the West Point Cemetery. Charlie **Gross** made all of the arrangements with the Academy authorities, and there was a floral tribute for Eleanor from the Class.

Another death that I must report is that of Dopey (Roger B.) **Harrison,** who died from a heart attack in Riverside, Calif., on 28 June. His death was reported by his daughter to Ruth Spaatz, Roger's cousin, who notified me. Those who attended our 50th Reunion will remember his sweet daughter, Virginia Hewes, who came with Dopey to the Reunion. He was walking with a cane, but few of us realized his paralyzed condition on 1 side. He had a ready smile, and I know he enjoyed himself greatly. If I were asked to sum him up in just 2 words, they would be "Smiling Courage." In the absence of Skimpy, I wrote Virginia Hewes a letter of sympathy from the Class, and received from her a beautifully expressed reply. Quoting in part from her letter: "I wish that every American could have the opportunity of absorbing some of that West Point atmosphere. We intend to take our daughters there as soon as we can take the trip East. There, one learns the true feelings of Duty, Honor, Country."

Still another loss to the Class has been the death of Elmer **Adler** who attained the rank of MG, USAF. Due to ill health, he was forced to retire in 1946. He then became associated with Dittmar and Co., Investment Bankers in San Antonio. For a number of years, he has had a succession of strokes which affected his vision, forcing his retirement from business; and for the past 2 years he was in an excellent medical rest home. He was blessed with a devoted wife, Aurelia ("Bebe"). Although his service was in the AF, he was proud of being a West Pointer, and attended our 50th Reunion, in spite of his infirmities.

News of interest to the Class, which could not be included in my last ASSEMBLY letter, because it was received too late, came from Dollye who wrote that Willis **Tack** suffered a massive stroke on 10 Dec. 1969, and had been hospitalized ever since in the Great Lakes Naval Hospital at Great Lakes, Ill. The letter was postmarked 19 June and received by me on 23 June 1970, and my letter had been sent to West Point on 15 June.

Dollye wrote that by drastic therapy and other treatments, Willis had shown some improvement, but could speak only a few words, had to walk with a cane with some difficulty, and had no control over his right arm. It was too bad I couldn't get this news in the Summer, 1970 ASSEMBLY. I did send the news to Tooey **Spaatz,** and a recent letter from Skimp **Brand** said that the latest news would be announced to the Washington Area contingent of the Class when they were notified of the 1914 Class Dinner to be held on 9 Sept., the first one since June. And the latest news on Willis is this: he is now back at their home in Libertyville, Ill., his condition is slowly continuing to improve, and his attitude is very cheerful. Let's all hope for his complete recovery.

Here's a piece of news that will interest you all. Jim **Haskell,** whose wife Marjorie died in 1969, married Marjorie's cousin, Mrs. Edith Driscoll Swain in Pomfret, Conn., on 14 June 1970. Jim had known Edith for many years. The announcements, which I'm sure many or all of you received, were mailed from Bradenton, Fla., by Jim's daughter, Marjorie Haskell Winn, the wife of COL Walter Scott Winn (USMA '19). Jim and Edith **Haskell** will be at home after 15 Nov., and their address will be: 7807 Portosueno Ave., Palma Solo Park, Bradenton, Fla. The best wishes of the Class go to them for a very happy marriage.

In a nice letter to me from Tom **Monroe** he said that his son Putnam '45 retired on 31 May and plans to settle in Austin, Tex.; and the other son Tom Jr. '40 was to retire on 31 July and would probably remain in Calif. Both Tom Sr. and Clara are well, as far as I know.

Louise **Byrom** has been here, off and on, for several months. She was here during Lilian's illness, being a close friend of both Lilian and Ike. She left here to visit a cousin in Asheville, N. C., and has recently returned for a short visit, and will then visit friends in Mexico, before returning to Pasadena, Calif.

Vayan Uds. con Dios.

'15

Brig. Gen. Hume Peabody
Chaptico, Md. 20621

$64 QUESTION: Fall again! Where does the time go?

HONOR: It is with great pride that we quote from GO #71, Hq Carlisle Barracks, 13 July 1970: "In honor of a 'distinguished American,' announcement is made of the establishment of the following named Chair in the Faculty of the United States Army War College, effective 1 July 1970—The Herman **Beukema** Chair of Economics."

HEALTH NOTES: Comes a July note from Dad **Herrick** telling that Billie **Covell** was hospitalized with a coronary. No recent report but "no news is good news." . . . Dad also reports that John **McDermott** is about the same. . . . Cliff **Jones** had to forego our 55th on medicos orders. Caught a bug and was slow licking it. To prove that he was fully recovered, he accompanied daughter to Fla. to get a gander at latest (4th) great grandkid. . . . Subsequent to his auto accident (see last issue) Earl **Price** undertook a local trek "à pied" and fell down boom! No damage, fortunately, but he is old enough to know better. . . . By letter to Det **Ellis** comes long absent news of Spence **Struble.** Due to a coronary some time ago Spence circulates only where **he** can control the amount of physical exertion involved, and this precluded our Reunion what with so many young guys running rampant. Their Hartford apartment is near their son and family (3 grandkids).

ITCHY FOOTERS: In Aug. Det and Laura **Ellis** visited Me., taking in the **Bradley** Museum and West Point en route. Det wanted to nose around the area where an immigrant ancestor landed in 1635, slightly, but not too much, before our time. (How can South Carolinians have a Downeasterner ancestor?) They visited briefly with Peg **Lindner,** Pearl **Stickney,** Katherine **O'Brien** and Linda **Coughlan.** All were in cheerful orbit although Pearl and Katherine were having some difficulty ambulating. . . . Vernon and Dot **Evans** spent a couple of enjoyable weeks at Cape Cod in August. Mark **Larkin** spent most of the summer visiting her daughter and family in Dublin. (Eire, not Ga.) After the Reunion the Burt **Masons** returned to Calif., via Nova Scotia, Quebec, Montreal, Chicago, Yellowstone, and Reno. (Faulty compass, no doubt.) Come New Year's and off they go by boat all over the Pacific—you name it, they're going there. Cles **Tenney** summered, as is his wont, in the beautiful lake country of Wis. (Anyway, the scenery on the post card was beautiful.) Mac **Wogan** enjoyed a summer visit with son Jack and brood in Denver.

PCS'S: Joe and Helen **McNarney** are now domiciled at "1225 North Granada Ave., Apt. 12, Alhambra, Calif. 91801." Hank and Betty **Aurand** are now installed at "1126 Mason Road, St. Louis, Mo. 63131." (And they have a new grandchild and a new great-grandchild.)

THIS AND THAT: To prove the presence of newspapers in Southern Fla., John Henry **Cochran** sent us a clipping picturing 3 generations of **Young** West Point Graduates—Mason, his son, and his grandson. Said pic is now duly installed in our Class Archives. John Henry also gave us a very humorous play-by-play account of his hospital experiences during a recent routine check-up. My goodness, John Henry, how did that woman get in your shower? The **Gibsons** are "about the same" according to Gibby who is now engaged in reading history instead of making it. According to the Oakland Rotary Mag, the Rotarians Yearly Program was "fittingly climaxed" (sic) by Dad **Herrick's** "Reflections on Ike." And did you know that over the door of the office used by Ike during "Overlord" planning, the British have installed a plaque: "A Great Man Passed This Way In Defense Of Freedom"?

ALAMO BRIEFS: Woody **Woodruff** reports that "Jawn" **Leonard** has recovered nicely from a bit of surgery; the Mike **Davises** and the **Halcombs** are perking about as usual; that Squire and Hazel **Taylor** are now paying San Antonio taxes; and that a trout tour in Colo. was next on the **Woodruff** agenda.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT: Hank **Aurand** reports that we came out in the black on our Reunion and that the surplus had been duly incarcerated by Shylock **Wallington.** See you next year. I hope.

'16

Brig. Gen. Dwight F. Johns
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Piedmont, Calif. 94611

I should like to make the following the piece de resistance of this report. I wonder how many of us were familiar with the fact that the stadium at the U. of Tenn. at Knox-

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1916: Your Scribe at work.

ville is called "Neyland Stadium." I was not, until I read it in the news, and several of you saw it on TV or read about it and wrote me. This occurred at the time of the Billy Graham Crusade here last spring. For this I thank you all!

Through the courtesy of Mr. Haywood Harris, Sports Information Director of the U. of Tenn., and of our Bob's son Bob Jr. I can advise that the football stadium, the first part of which was constructed in 1925, was renamed **Neyland** Stadium in 1962 following Bob's death in Mar. of that year. The change in name coincided with the enlargement to a capacity of 54,000. Later, further expansion enlarged the capacity to over 64,000. Dedication ceremonies were held in Oct. 1962 at which Bob's widow Ada and their sons Bob Jr. and Lewis all were present. We are glad to know that Bob has been thus honored for all time by the University where he served as head football coach so long and so effectively.

Inquiry as to Neyland Stadium incidentally brought out the facts that Bob's son Robert R. **Neyland** Jr. is Trust Officer of the First National Bank at Bristol, Tenn., and that the other son, Lewis, lives in Rossville, Ga., and is a salesman for the Container Corp. of America of Chattanooga.

The photograph of Doug **Page** (along with Westmoreland) shown in these notes was made available to me by MAJ Theodore Baltes, AUS (Ret), of San Jose, Calif. It was published in the 15 July issue of "Family," supplement to "Army Times," and is published here with the permission of MAJ Baltes and of the Associate Editor of "Family." It shows Doug during the Carolina Maneuvers of Nov. 1941.

I understand that Lela **Merrell**, Spence's widow, went to Japan this summer to take in the Expo. Unfortunately she did not go through San Francisco, so we missed honoring her with another "1916 treatment."

Edna and Maurice **Miller** wrote from Tucson in mid-July, to which they had traveled via Roswell, N.Mex. They experienced 106° temperature for several days but survived and returned home about mid-Aug. after visiting Sun City, Ariz., and Las Vegas, Nev.

They were in touch with Dolly and Tom **Martin** at Tucson and Marion and Holland **Robb** at Sun City. En route home they spent 2 days at El Paso to avoid the heavy rain of hurricane "Celia" and got together there with Cramp **Jones** and Hearse **Henderson.**

Maurice reports that MacFarland Cockrill has entered a nursing home at San Antonio. He'd appreciate a card or letter at Hillside Nursing Home, 8310 Gault Lane, San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

Holland **Robb** says that Marion and he are spending the summer in Sun City in an "earnest effort to determine if one can survive the high heat there, usually around 105 degrees but often higher." Holland plays golf 2 or 3 times a week, but does spend a lot of time enjoying the coolness of their air-conditioned home. They took off 10 days to travel to Flagstaff and Page, Ariz., and Zion and Bryce Canyon Parks in Utah.

Bill **Hoge** went to Washington in early June to attend the wedding of a grandson. He says the wedding was very successful and all the young thoroughly enjoyed themselves. I'll bet he did, too!

Jeanette and Stanley **Reinhart** traveled back to West Point in early May to observe their Golden Wedding Anniversary, where they were married on 5 May 1920. Their son Stanley Jr. and family live on the post, and their daughter and her husband came there from Des Moines. Jeanette's sister Virginia Blinn, who was her matron of honor, also joined them from Detroit. So Stanley says he does not think anyone could possibly have a more satisfactory Golden Wedding. And according to my tally, this is 1916's 18th. Please tell me when yours comes along!

LTC Gilbert **Scott**, Mary and Stan's 3d son, has recovered from his Vietnam injuries and is now assigned to duty at Stuttgart, Germany, where his wife Gloria and their 4 children are with him. They were all with Mary and Stan for Mother's Day en route to Germany, as was also Bill **Scott**, their Dallas businessman son. Mary said it was a wonderful reunion.

Helen and Ferdie **Gallagher** had a delightful cocktail party at Ft. McNair Officer's Club in early May. All 3 of their daughters and their husbands were present. Bob **Walsh** had a couple of days in Walter Reed Hospital and emerged free of troubles. Bob and Fran returned from a New England trip in late Aug. Through the N. Y. area, they talked with Max **Kuhn.** Max is reported to be not at all well.

Bob **Walsh**, Ray **Moses**, and Fay **Prickett** went to West Point for June Week. While there they called on Babe **Weyand** and found him to be pretty well but limited as to mobility. This Babe confirmed in a letter to me. Marie and Babe expected to leave for Tucson by plane in early Nov., right after Election Day. Babe says that with the hippies and beatniks working against the Government, every honest person should vote.

Fay **Prickett** had a very slight heart seizure in mid-June and spent 3 weeks in Ft. Belvoir hospital under observation. The attack was so slight that Fay's doctor permitted Peggy to carry out her planned trip to Germany to join the Miller family (No. 1 daughter) and to see the Passion Play at Oberammergau. Also Peggy got to see the **Prickett's** 8th great-grandchild, whose parents are CPT and Mrs. Wm. Doyle, Corps of Engrs. This brings my tally of 1916's "greats" to 23. Fay plays golf 5 times a week with Jake Devers (USMA 1908)—9 holes with a cart. Fay says he wins one day and loses the next!

The picture in these notes of the man in a housepainter's garb is a far cry from the spoony cadet adjutant you used to see 55 years ago. But you are right—it is your Scribe, who has just finished painting the exterior of his 2-story home, for the 3d time in 20 years.

Marquenita **Levy** pointed out in a recent note to me that she and Dick had been married 54 years on 13 June. God bless you both from all of us!

President Bill **Hoge** has appointed a committee to arrange our 55th Class Reunion next June. Chairman is Bob **Walsh**, with **Moses, Miller,** and your Scribe as members. So! Start making your personal plans, and let's see each other at West Point in 1971!

Marjorie and Ray **Moses** have spent the summer as usual at their country home, Hilton Farm, in Sandwich, N. H. Their older son John Wills visited them there in early Sept. And Ray wrote that their younger son Garret, "the old bachelor and insurance expert in Boston," was married last fall. Our best wishes to these new newly-weds. Marjorie and Ray moved back to their Brookline apartment in early Nov.

Helen and Woody **Woodward** spent the summer at their cabin near Jackson Hole, Wyo., returning home about mid-Oct. Blanche and Roland **Shugg** returned to San Francisco from their last European trip about 10 Oct. Virginia **Doney** spent about a month in Spain, from mid-Sept.

A recent inquiry from someone prompted me to wonder how many of us have passed 80 years of age. So I checked the record in the Register. It shows that "Possum" **Simkins** has passed 81 and that Murph **Irvine,** Ralph **Barrows,** and Jack **Nygaard** have passed 80. Congratulations and may we have you with us many more years, Classmates!

Mrs. Marion Smith **Bennet,** widow of our Jack **Bennet,** died in Clearwater, Fla., the 26th of Aug. Her son is COL John B. Bennet Jr. (USMA '45). Her grandson, MAJ Frederick Terry (USMA '60), was killed in VN 4 July 1968.

1916: Page and assistant, 1941 maneuvers.

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APR '17

Brig. Gen. Harold R. Jackson
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Good news comes from Kewp **Yuill**, who spent most of the spring and summer in the hospital. He writes, "On 25 Aug. I was released as cured. I can't imagine how an old loafer could catch up with a TB bug. Anyway, the Grim Reaper missed me twice within a year, and that is enough for a long time. Gay has increased troubles, but Medicare helps with the bills. Julia expects to give me a grandchild this month, and I hope to take a trip out of Tex. the last of Oct. I had hoped for Aug., but I need to get my wobbly legs under better control."

On 9 Aug. "The New York Times" reported: "(AP) COL John J. **McEwan**, 77, ARMY's All-America football center in 1914 and a member of the National Football Hall of Fame, died today. Mr. **McEwan** was selected by Walter Camp for All-America honors after the 1914 West Point Cadets compiled an unbeaten season. Mr. **McEwan** coached at West Point from 1923 to 1925, at Holy Cross, and then at the U. of Ore. In 1933 and 1934 he coached the Brooklyn Dodgers of the National Football League. He served in both world wars and later became chief of labor relations for the New York City Transit Authority. He is survived by his widow, a son, and a daughter." Burial at West Point was private, only members of the family attending. A gift from the Class has been made to the Superintendent's Fund, and **McEwan's** name has been entered in the Memorial Book in the library. Letty has written a touching letter thanking all members of the Class.

Jeff and Marian **Steiner** are reported to be living in the Episcopal Retirement and Nursing Home, 4941 Montcalle Rd., Birmingham, Ala. Jeff was said to be in good shape and was running the ladies' garden club.

Jack **Code** reports that Alex **Campbell**, after his serious automobile accident and earlier open-heart surgery, is doing extremely well and recently attended an American Legion barbecue. **Whitcomb** is still taking literature courses at the U. of Calif. He was recently back East and hoped to attend **McEwan's** funeral.

During the summer Pete **Slaughter** was in and out of Walter Reed, where he received cobalt treatment for his lung condition; and in late Aug. he was discharged as cured.

In June, Mark **Clark**, as Chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, visited our cemeteries in North Africa and Europe. He sent us a photograph of Sackett's gravestone, which is engraved, "George Wilbur Sackett, Capt. 11 Inf. 5 Div. New York Oct. 15 1918."

One day in Aug. Bill and Jule **Heavey** and Jack **Jackson** drove out to Leesburg for a very pleasant visit with Johnny **Devine** at his attractive home, and dinner at the Laurel Brigade Inn.

In the **Schroeder** family the news has been some good and some not so good. Harry and Enriette's son Henry J. **Schroeder** Jr. (June '43) has already had a distinguished Army career; and a note in ASSEMBLY last year said, "Hank **Schroeder** (BG) was awarded the second oak leaf cluster to the LM and the 23d palm to his AM." In addition, he has been awarded 4 DFC's and 4 BSM's. However, in Aug. Henry J. Jr.'s son Henry John **Schroeder** III, USMA '69, was seriously wounded in Vietnam. He was first sent back to a hospital in Japan, where his father visited him, and later to Walter Reed, where he is now. He is usually called by his 2d name, John. Enriette and her son Bill, as well as John's father, visit John regularly.

Malcolm **Helm** writes, "Maude and I are proud to report that our grandson Kirk McCord graduated from Tulane this June with a B.S. in physics, cum laude, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Also he was awarded the Daniel Stanley Elliot prize for the highest grade in physics. He was elected to ODK for leadership, the National Honors Society for physics and mathematics, Scabbard and Blade, and an associate member of the U. S. Naval Inst. for advancement of professional literary and scientific knowledge in the Navy. He was awarded the ROA Medal to the outstanding Naval ROTC senior for scholarship and leadership, the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Medal for the ROTC senior achieving the highest academic standing, and the U. S. Naval Inst. Award for attaining the highest proficiency in all Naval Science subjects. He was commissioned as Ensign, and was the only 1970 Tulane ROTC graduate to be assigned to a post graduate school, his being the Naval School at Monterey, for a course in his chosen subject, Oceanography. He also received numerous medals and other trophies for athletic achievements at Tulane."

Last spring Norman **Cota** was the guest speaker at the Ft. Riley Founders Day Dinner. He was also the oldest living graduate present. A report of the dinner includes the statement, "In addition to being a former member of the Big Red One, GEN **Cota**, while assigned as ADC of the 29th Div., led the 116th Regt. Landing Team to victory on the western side of Omaha Beach, 6 June 44. He received the DSC for his actions during that battle. In Aug. 44 he took command of the 28th Div. and participated in the Normandy, North France, Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe campaigns."

AUG '17

Maj. Gen. William O. Reeder
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Sadder than Red **Shaffer's** eventual passing was the idea that so fine a man should have to spend his last years in an increasingly disabled state. We all cherish memory of him as he was in health. The highest praise is due Edith for the courage with which she carried on while encouraging Red.

Pete **Purvis**, too, has left us. He made repeated comebacks, but it was a losing battle against emphysema. Game to the last, he sent us a message at the last Nov. luncheon. We wish only the best for Gertrude and their son Arthur.

Frankie **Carr** has lost his beloved Evva after 53 years together. Frankie is fortunate in his vocation. There is no better way to find solace than in hard work, and training a string of race horses provides almost constant work. As if to soften the blow, Frankie's stable at the moment includes the best prospect of his career.

An unusual twist was given to a happy event. Willie **Wilson** and Dagmar Macfarlane were married 1 Aug. at the Presidio. Our correspondent failed to note what either the bride or groom wore but was impressed by the flower girls—two granddaughters of the bride and two granddaughters of the groom. Your Scribe assumes that as the ecstatic couple left the chapel, the organist played, "Happy Days Are Here Again."

A full chronicle of the goings and comings of our classmates would require much more space than ASSEMBLY can afford us; the details will appear in the Class Letter. One exception must be made. Bob **Bringham**, after spending the year helping his son get through the course at Leavenworth, ran back to Calif. for a few days and then flew to Brussels for a long visit with his son Bill at SHAPE. A lot of us had the privilege of an evening with him when he stopped over in Washington. No one has better mastered adversity than Bob nor is anyone more widely loved.

Foggy **Reed** was frustrated in trying to exhibit his camellias at the Royal Horticulture Show: the London airport was closed by a strike. The lovely blooms went to delight folks in Paul's Valley, Okla., Froggy's natal place. Gertrude **Bellinger** had better luck: she is exhibiting her paintings in Woodward & Lothrop's Chevy Chase store—at Woody's request. Track **Dickson**, retired banker, maintains a few activities: one of these is director of a cemetery association. Says Tracy, "In my next incarnation I shall try to own a cemetery as they can be profitable—people are just dying to get in." Girard **Troland** marked the birth of his 1st granddaughter by having a tooth extracted, the better to look the part.

Of interest to those outside the Class who read these notes may be some changes of address. Lew and Elaine **Griffith** will return to their native Tex. in the near future, exact spot not yet known. Marguerite **Eyster** is going into Distaff House the 1st of Oct. Edith **Shaffer** is at 3557 South Leisure World Blvd., Apt 2-F, Silver Spring, Md. 20906. Bob **Bringham's** is care LTC Wm. N. Bringham, P&P Div. SHAPE, APO New York 09055. Mrs. E. B. (Sada) **Moomau** is now at 8126 112th St., N., Apt 305, Seminole, Fla. 33540. Finally, Mrs. Norman (Carobel) **McNeill** has moved to 4209 51st St., Bladensburg, Md. 20710.

Generally, the Class appears to be in good health. The majority flit about to places like Europe. The stay-at-homes get along uncomplainingly. Bill **Chapman** had an operation: the outcome was gratifying, and his ability to correspond is unimpaired. Bill **Paca** had a minor operation on his eye: visibility still unlimited. Your Scribe still manages to pen these notes, but he does complain.

JUN '18

Col. Walter E. Lorence
R. R. #2
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It is with great sorrow that I report the death of our classmate Bob **Bishop** who died 28 June of a heart attack and complications at Walter Reed Hospital. He was buried in Arlington on 2 July. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you Louise, and the family. Bob will be deeply missed by his many friends.

In the 350 yr. old Episcopal Church, just

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outside the gates of Aberdeen Proving Ground, the **Axelsons**, who flew from Calif., and son Rudy and family proudly participated in the wedding ceremony of granddaughter Diane to Lloyd MacAskill. Welcome to June '18's growing family, Lloyd. The **Axelsons** have done it again, they've moved to Rose Hedge Manor, La Mesa, Calif. Norma had a bout with pneumonia, and the ocean was too damp for recovery.

Bob **Bagby**, commenting on your Scribe's Aug. Class letter, that the Class has lost 2 more from Fla. to more northern climes, wrote that family was their reason and is also his for being there. But, remembering his tours in the north country and the charm of changing seasons, added that your Scribe's glowing but true pictures of uncrowded living in country where the snow of winter clears the air and adds zest to life would be an added incentive to them. Bob added, he not only does not have any news but cannot even voice any health complaints. Wonderful, keep the comments coming.

Mary **Barth** reports that she is getting along all right as she has been keeping plenty busy. She missed the young **Clays** who changed station from Ft. Leavenworth. She is now up to her ears helping to coordinate the hospital volunteer program in town. Mary was very pleased with Bitt's memorial in ASSEMBLY and wrote that she knew Bitt would have been content.

The girls and I, wrote Louise **Bishop**, greatly appreciated the thoughts and sympathy of old friends, and it has been a great help to us in our sorrow. The girls have managed to take part of the load from Louise including rest and a change on the Maryland beaches this summer.

Pat **Casey** wrote "we too have been enjoying your beautiful North Country of New England." The **Caseys** did not get north this year until late in July, but Pat was happy to report that Dorothy had made excellent progress and is again actively playing golf, though slightly handicapped by her arm. Among their late summer visitors were Bunny and Chesty **Ward**. After the fall foliage season, the **Caseys** returned to Fla. stopping briefly with the **Wards** and attending Homecoming at the Point and the Penn State game.

A short note from Cas **Casman** to let us know that all goes well. Cas enclosed a news clip about the **Lorence** family and their crest in "what's in your name" which was much appreciated. And from Frances **George**, a welcome awaits classmates, their families and widows in her home when passing through Concord, N. H., on their way to see the fall foliage, to the mountains for skiing or on a summer trip to N. H. And Anna Mary and your Scribe can bear testimony as to the warmth of the welcome.

The **Gruhns** spent a week this summer at Cape Cod. They called Eddie **Sibert** to hear that he was in good shape again after his angina attack at Plattsburgh. They also had dinner with the **Clays** at Chatham. A lovely place and an enjoyable evening. Growley wants your Scribe to think of all the people that ate the bread made of the flour that the **Lorences** millstone cocktail table had ground. Come up and we will figure it out around the table.

Still making the same rounds, still able to play at golf, and still enjoying the Class news a great deal, wrote Dunc **Hodges**. And we in the Class still want those reports coming in regularly.

A card from the **Horrs** from Skagway, Ak. The card was a photo of "The Shooting of Dan McGrew" as played in Skagway. Bob said they were doing fine in the game until the shooting started.

As reported in the last Class letter, the **Hurts** made their big move from Fla. to Salisbury, Mo. Their address is 310 E. Third St. Tired after packing and their 1,300 mile jaunt, their 2 daughters and husbands took over on arrival helping them to get settled. Daughter Eleanor and Lyle came down from Rock Island, Ill., adding their labor of love. Now the **Hurts** are settled and are enjoying real smalltown neighborliness; old time friends and old schoolmates keep dropping in to welcome them home. Life can really be wonderful.

After part spring and early summer in Wash., D. C., Alice **Kramer** toured with Dewey Short (her former boss and old time friend) and family to the Ozarks, the Shorts' summer home; and from there on to Wichita and Webb City for her annual visit with her aunt and relatives. Alice finally got back to Calif. the end of July and was glad to stay put when she found Calif. so lovely.

Summer and fall visitors and entertainment kept the **Lorences** busy at Woodley Acres, as well as town and community chores. However, we did manage to get a patio some 20 x 90 ft. constructed around our millstone cocktail table, as well as prepare a power house adjoining the garden house to receive our "on order, delivery in 7 weeks" mobile generator, light and power unit. If we want to experience further blackouts, we will have to visit elsewhere.

Your descriptions of Woodley Acres are so vivid I even shiver at times wrote Dick **McKee**, and I hope the **McKee** quarterly report makes it before dog sled season. A Navy file friend retired to your North Country and selecting an appropriate location, in each of the 4 seasons took colored film movie pictures from exactly the same spot. Your narrative of the beautiful Woodley Acres country brought to mind the visual beauty of his films. It was just like being there and enjoying it without the cold. True, and your Scribe might add that even the cold loses its sting. We wear fewer and lighter weight clothes than we did in Wash.

A little golf and a little bridge, wrote Bud **Miley**, are our main relaxations. Visiting our families is our principal occupation. We miss Bob **Bishop**. He used to get a half dozen of us together once a month, but even those little get-togethers are no more, at least for the time being.

Andy **Moore** spent 4 weeks in Nice before returning to Paris and then to his new home in Canton, N. Y., in early Oct. to prepare for hibernation (as he put it) after his long sojourn in Miami.

Murray **Neilson's** son Bob is now studying at Tulsa U., majoring in Marketing at the Business College. He is also enrolled in the AF ROTC and has registered with his draft board and will go if called. Murray wrote, "Do you remember how young we were when we climbed the long hill to enter WP? We thought we were matured then, and I presume that Bob feels the same way about himself. He is a fine young man who is quite willing to serve his country. For this I am deeply thankful." And so is June '18.

The **Nixons'** son Henry graduated last June, on the Dean's List, from Gettysburg College. Shortly thereafter his engagement to Barbara Jean Hanson, daughter of Dr. Carl A. Hanson, Pres. of Gettysburg College was announced. Aimee and Tom have been reasonably well and enjoyed a visit from her 2 sisters from France.

The **Offleys** send greetings to the Class and report that all goes well on the shores of the Pacific.

A leisurely tour of So. Amer. via Pan Am Stockholders tour of 4 countries south of the equator was made by Mildred **Pichel** in Nov. This included Xmas shopping en-tour as Mildred arrived home just in time for the holidays. She suggests that whenever any of the Class pass through San Fran., they give her a ring at Burlingame, which, she says, is a bit of Paradise, with an ideal climate.

Robbie **Robinson** since his 2d retirement is still antiquing and enjoying it, while Barbara is still taking additional graduate courses at Smith College in Social Welfare. They took time out to visit their daughter in Va. and Ala., and to meet their first great-granddaughter. They also paid the **Lorences** a visit at Woodley Acres.

The **Rundells'** son Bud had the pleasure of swearing-in his older daughter as an Ensign in the Navy Nurse Corps, after her graduation from The U. of N. C. Congratulations to Susan, her parents, and of course, the proud grandparents, Bee and Earle.

This fall, while Nonie **Tompkins** was in England visiting relatives, Tommy and son Charles visited daughter Julia in N. C. Upon return to Northfield, Charles decided to enlist in the Army postponing his college work till after his enlistment expires. June '18 is proud of its Class sons and daughters.

Elsie **Wells** again expressed her thanks for Wayne's memorial in ASSEMBLY and expressed her wonder where all the information came from. In return I sent her a copy of a news clip that ex-classmate Reggie Hubbell (Nov. '18) sent your Scribe on Kerensky, who died in N. Y. C. in 1970, and whom we used to discuss at our WP mess hall table during the winter and spring of '17. "We used to kick around a lot of things at that table," wrote Reggie, ("Ira Crump, Steve Place, Willy **Wilson**, you and I to mention 5). Incidentally, I was much interested in your memorial article on Wayne **Wells**. Wayne, you know, was my tentmate in Plebe Camp, along with Sammy **Sturgis**. I completely lost tab on him because he went early into civilian life, and, as you know, he simply never reported anything on himself all through the years. Even at the Reunion in '68 he had little to say, so you see what I mean when I say that your obit on Wayne was of very special interest to me. It was very informative." Sources like the above quote, and many others, came to the Class scribes and the scribes themselves exchange information of respective classmates. WP Alumni are a close family of associates.

In late Aug. the **Wards'** foster son Michael whom they brought over from Athens 16 yrs. ago, with the devoted help of Bitt and Mary **Barth**, was married at Harvard Chapel. He married a lovely girl of Greek-American background, born in Boston, and a mathematics honor student at Wellesley. Michael is on his final research toward getting his doctorate in Plasma Physics at Harvard Univ. Again, I say, June '18 is proud of her Class sons and daughters, and proud of June '18's heritage in making its many contributions to the continued honor of our country.

So long till next time.

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Brig. Gen. G. Bryan Conrad
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Bryan **Evans**, with Ruth to guide him, is chairman of the committee to arrange for the assembly of the Washington group at the Ft. McNair Club in the Gold Room Sun. 1 Nov. 70 to celebrate the 52d anniversary of our graduation. Invitations went to all classmates through the Regional VPs. This year, first generation progeny and their spouses are invited to attend as the guests of their parents, whether or not a parent attends. Progeny will be seated at their own table so as not to inhibit the conduct of their parents. Corp and Mary **Chorpening** have already accepted (as of 11 Aug.) and will be there.

Mary, Corp, and their daughter Anne drove to Rocky Mount, Va., to attend the wedding of Margie and Dick **Lee**'s daughter Mary to Joseph Eric Stephen Honzo of Palmerton, Pa., 22 Aug. Mary **Lee** designed her own bridal veil as well as her bridesmaids gowns. Among her attendants were Mary and Corp's daughter Anne and Mrs. Stephen Honzo, wife of CPT Stephen Honzo '67. The bridebroom, who has had Army service in Vietnam, is completing his business major at the U. of Richmond, where the couple will reside. Betty **Snow** of Raleigh, N. C., was also there.

Kit **Baker** has moved from Fla. to 209 Inverness Dr., Signal Mountain, Tenn. 37377. Trooper **Sheridan**, according to Corp, came to life long enough to send Corp a check for the Class Fund and write a letter. Dave **Taylor** also reported in with a check, and to say that he had recently seen Milt **Hatch** who looked fine. John **Sherman** does not get around much but issues a blanket invitation to all members of the Class to visit him. Corp also reports a pleasant note and a most generous contribution to the Class Fund from Peg **Smith** (E. W.'s widow).

The Fred **Stevens** enjoyed the cool breezes in their summer hideout in Me., but look forward to returning to Fla. on 1 Oct. Art **Pulsifer** hugely enjoys his grandsons. One is a pitcher in the Babe Ruth League. Art, who as you will remember caught on the baseball team at the Academy, helps the boy warm up, but reports that he always has a mighty sore hand afterward.

Sally and Arch **Colwell**'s Golden Wedding anniversary was celebrated on 23 Sept. at a black tie dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. John Orson Findeisen Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Alan Smith at 2735 Belvoir Blvd., Shaker Heights, O. Barbara and Mike **Jenkins** took a Mediterranean cruise on the S. S. **Statendam** during the summer. In Athens they climbed to the top of the Acropolis, which Barbara notes they should have done 20 years ago. On the way back to Fla. they visited their son Bud in Conn.

Through Fred **Pearson** we hear of the death of Gene **Mitchell** on 20 Jan. He was buried in the National Cemetery at Ft. Sam Houston 23 Jan. The **Mitchells** went to Hi. last Oct. to visit their only son, a LTC GSC at CINCPAC, much decorated for his service in the Big Red One. They had a glorious trip and enjoyed their grandchildren very much. But Gene came home tired and sick. He went into the hospital 14 Dec., sank into a coma 6 Jan. It was cancer, but not diagnosed until afterwards.

It is very difficult for me to write of Dick **Groves**' death. He meant a great deal to me as he did to so many. Dick suffered a heart attack at home in Washington the evening of 13 July. He was taken to Walter Reed where he died about 11 o'clock that night. The services at the Ft. Myer Chapel and at Arlington were superbly done—worthy of the man. All of Dick's splendid family were there. The chapel was filled with the most distinguished people. Chaplain Luther Miller conducted the services. All classmates in the Washington area were pallbearers. Bhudda will continue to live at 2101 Connecticut Ave. NW.

Charlie **Colson**, who had been treated at Walter Reed for a throat malignancy, died there Sat., 22 Aug. His funeral was at Arlington 26 Aug. **Canan, Evans, Graham, Hastings, Hixon, Holbrook, Norman, Peckham, Whelchel**, and **Yoder**, and their wives were present. He lies beside Mary. Charlie **Gorman** died 12 June and was buried in Arlington 16 June. His wife Angeline has been unwell for some time. She is very ill now in a nursing home and does not know of Charlie's death. Unfortunately none of the classmates in Washington were informed of Charlie's interment.

Monk **Dickson** calls attention to the fact that Dutch **Waidlich**, who graduated from the Naval Academy after leaving us, later became a top executive of Bell Telephone. Monk also informs us that Phillipus **Miller** has had a distinguished career in archaeology.

Gerry **O'Grady** has had a successful cataract operation. He is now working on the problem of adjusting to lenses. Tiny and Bob **Schow** were in Washington during July for physicals. Tiny had some repairs done at Walter Reed. Both are now back in Boca Raton. Tiny is a great help on Class affairs. She is a real letter writer and passes the word along. **Slifer** has been visiting his sister Mrs. John D. Mitchell in Arlington. He may stay in this area. Dorothy and Elmer **Barnes** took their usual summer trip to Salem, Ore. The **Fellers** got away from Washington heat by going to the Adirondacks.

Edna and Charlie **Hixon**, with Secy. of the Army Resor and other guests in the SecDef's office, looked with pride while Secy. Laird pinned stars on their son Bob's shoulder straps. Bob **Hixon**, who recently got the DFC while commanding XXIV Corps Arty in Vietnam, became C/S of I Corps on 1 Sept. He has been serving as special Military Assistant to the SecDef.

Al **Johnson** greatly enjoyed a visit from Eddie and Alice **Pope** in June. They had not seen each other since 1921 in Germany. Joe **Moss** is home after a checkup at Walter Reed. Earlier in the summer, after some surgery at Walter Reed, Joe spent several weeks visiting his sister in Ky.

The **Peckhams** made an annual tour through the northwest and the Canadian Rockies by motor coach. It turned out to be a very pleasant, interesting, and comfortable trip. Everything was pre-planned and arranged beforehand. Howard says that nothing could be finer. The **Popes** spent the summer in Burlingame, but will be back for the 1 Nov. party, and will spend the winter in Washington. The **Valentines**, too, will be back in Washington for the party after spending the summer in their New England summer place. The **Yoders** are off on a 6-week trip to Europe.

The Jim **Christiansens** were in Europe during May and June, but were back for their 3d granddaughter's June wedding. In Aug. they were in San Antonio dining with the **Dunkelbergs**. How these young folk do get around these days! Reed **Yeager** grows roses, plays golf and takes an active part in community activities. Marion **Stokes** is another European traveller.

The Bryan **Conrads** enjoyed motoring through the Colo. Rockies last summer and spending some delightful days at the La Garita Club, with unbelievable mountain scenery, the purest of air and wonderful trout streams and rivers. The old man's doctor had warned about too much exertion at high altitudes. What better reason could one have for light reading, not too serious fishing, and just enjoying the air and scenery. The Rio Grande del Norte is the loveliest of trout rivers as it flows through Wagon Wheel Gap. Ethel and young Bryan (your caboose until Howdie **Canan** marries) rode fence lines with the repair crew, moved cattle at over 12,000 feet, and generally lived the vigorous life. Father took some beautiful mountain rides with them on days when the ranch was in between groups of guests, and he could get a horse big enough. They visited Kit **Benton** in Denver and talked to a very busy Bill **Blair** on the telephone. Young Bryan, now the old cow hand from the Rio Grande, startles the Va. Hunt Club denizens with his quarter horse, western saddle, and big hat.

The "Journal of Albion," Calhoun County's Weekly Newspaper, of Albion, Mich., has featured 5 **Gildarts**—Robert C. ("Clyde") '11, his young brother, our Charlie Nov. '18, and his son Charles R. Jr. '51, and 2 sons of elder brother Clyde, Robert C. Jr. '37, and William J. '40. I hope that we can get the accompanying pictures in.

Howard **Peckham** arranged for the **Barnes, Conrads, Gullatts, Normans** and **Peckhams** to sit together at the ARMY-Virginia football game 17 Oct. in Charlottesville. Kester **Hastings** and Ruth were also at the game. Kester was conducting a large group of his friends associated with MEDICO, of which he is the Executive VP.

The A-N Club in Washington was closed in June so the Al Wedemeyers invited the members of all the 1918 Classes, Aug. '17, June '18, Nov. '18, and '19, to their beautiful country place, **"Friend's Advice,"** in Maryland. There was record attendance from all 4 classes, so we all got to see almost all of our best friends in the Washington area. The weather was ideal, so the party was outdoors on the rolling lawns in the shade of the Wedemeyers lovely trees. Al and Dade are the most charming of hosts; everything was to the queen's taste. It will be a long time before many of us again attend such an enjoyable, wonderful party. After lunch we all adjourned to a mammoth old barn, swept, garnished, and temporarily converted to a movie theatre. There Al showed us in comfort the crucial plays of each of last season's football games. What a splendid idea—no traffic jams, no crowds, no discomfort, no waiting in line, no cold winds. The most enjoyable football season I can remember. Dick **Groves** was in fine form at the Wedemeyer party and appeared to be in the best of robust health. For many of us it was the last time we saw him, and we shall always remember him as he was that day.

George **Badger** has at last been relieved of the cross he has borne so heroically these many months. The ruffles and flourishes were

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sounded and the final salute fired when he returned for the last time to West Point on 28 Sept. The funeral services at the Sixth Presbyterian Church in Washington on 25 Sept. were attended by all Class members in the area and many other friends who have been associated with him in his military and business careers.

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On 12 Sept. our Class gift to the Corps was unveiled and dedicated with a suitably simple ceremony. After appropriate music by the USMA Band, at 11:00 a.m., Al **Wedemeyer,** as Class President, made a brief address in presenting the Memorial Grove to the Corps of Cadets and West Point; the Supe, MG Knowlton, unveiled the block of granite; and the Cadet 1st Captain, with well chosen words, accepted the gift on behalf of the Corps. Your Scribe heard nothing but praise and approval of the gift. Members of the Class and Class widows will receive a description of it, probably before you have read these notes. This was a Class project to which almost every member and many widows made cash contributions. For its success, however, we are indebted to the Memorial Committee appointed at our 50th Reunion, and especially to Bud **Ferenbaugh,** chairman; Herb **Jones,** treasurer; and Al **Wedemeyer,** its most active member. Those who attended the ceremony included Stu **Barden,** Bunker and Jeanne **Bean,** Joe and Maxine **Cranston,** Bob **Crichlow,** Pat **Echols,** Bud and Dorothy **Ferenbaugh,** Les **Flory,** Sid and Bea **Gould,** Roy and Sonia **Green,** Al **Gruenther,** Wini **Hoffman,** Jake **Jacoby,** Herb and Anabel **Jones,** Chic **Noble,** Dick and Emma **Ovenshine,** Sandy and Dot **Sanderson,** Ted **Starr,** Joe **Tate** with his step-daughter, Tom **Waters,** Al and Dade **Wedemeyer** with their son Albert and his family, Ham and Margaret **Young,** and many guests, including Jack Nygaard, Apr. '17, who came as a "personal representative" of Count **Wilson.** Most of the Class group stayed at the Thayer Hotel. Roy and Sonia **Green** gave them a cocktail party at their home in Cornwall Fri. evening. After the dedication ceremonies, the group watched a review of the Corps (and it looked as fine as ever), had lunch at the Officers' Mess, and saw ARMY beat Holy Cross in its opening football game.

News from our correspondents does not reveal a great amount of activity among our classmates. Count **Wilson** writes from San Francisco that he had received a letter from Bob **Carter** stating that he and Helene had spent 2 weeks in Ireland, and Bob expected to be in the US in the fall. Count also heard from Fred **Marlow** that he and Lynne had recently returned from a month in Europe, and Lynne was planning to visit their daughter, Pamela, who lives in Santiago, Chile. Jack **Vance** reported to Count that he had seen Jim **Phillips** in Carmel and learned that he, having recovered from a recent operation, was back on the job with his savings and loan association.

Chic **Noble,** our regular correspondent in San Antonio, wrote that Pewee **Collier** is recovering from his illness, and Bob **Springer** had made a full and rapid recovery from his recent operation; Bob and Rhoda's son, Robert M. Jr. is now a full COL in command of the 11th Sig Gp at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.

1919: Two Generals in search of an idea for their Class Gift to the Corps. LTG Claude B. Ferenbaugh and MG Herbert M. Jones at the Washington and Lee campus in Lexington, Va.

While in Calif. last summer, Chic and Elsie had lunch with Roly **McNamee** at their home in Leisure World, Laguna Hills, and, in passing by, the **Nobles** also saw George **Elms** in El Paso. George is still active as a judge in horse shows and was to officiate in a show in Houston in Sept.

Ike **Lawrence,** reporting from Sarasota, Fla., wrote that Marjorie and Walt **Winn** gave a luncheon on 6 June in their newly redecorated home in Palma Sola Park, Bradenton. Those present included: Toots **Frederick,** Ike and Margie **Lawrence,** Dave **McLean,** Ken and Marie **Pierce,** and Alex **Raaen.** Ike commented that the **Winns** have a delightful "Fla. room" in which finches and parakeets flit freely about, attended by "Flopsy," their pet rabbit.

Your Scribe is not privy to the contributions which have been made for the Class gift to the Corps, but Herb **Jones** and Al **Wedemeyer** have passed on some comments made by contributors, extracts from which are given below: Emily **Heineke** would have planned to attend the unveiling exercises if she had not scheduled the removal of a cataract from her left eye at that time. Jazz **Parsons** had just been released from the intensive care ward of the 2d Gen. Hosp. in Landstuhl, Germany, after suffering a blood clot in his right leg; although still in bed with his leg elevated, he was improving. Alex **Kirby** found an Indian kitchen midden in Coronado, Calif., in 1964, and since then has done archaeological work in the area. After collecting "a garage full of stones," he is now preparing to write a paper on "Man on the Coast" for the local "Museum of Man." Charlie **Chapline,** who lives in Prairie Village, Kans., and works in Kansas City, Mo., wrote that he and Virginia had been vacationing in Hot Springs, Ark., where they had seen George and Hope **Rogers.**

Duke **Daniel** has been big-game hunting again. Some of his earlier hunts were mentioned in the 50-Year-Book. This time, he flew to India (from Los Angeles to Tokyo in a Boeing 747), hoping to get a tiger. He reported that big game in India are now scarce, and he failed to find a tiger, but he shot a "very fine" leopard and a 400-pound wild boar with impressive tusks. Duke says that he doubts that he will again hunt in the tropics, but still hopes to shoot a bighorn ram in the Canadian Rockies.

Last June, Skag **Faine** had the pleasure of administering the oath of office at West Point to his nephew William L. Wallis, USMA '70, as a 2LT of Engrs. Skag and Billie later took a 21-day trip to the West by bus with a tour group. They visited the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Disneyland, Albuquerque, El Paso, and the Carlsbad Caverns, but they traveled too fast to visit any classmates on the way. They took a similar tour in July 1969 to the Pacific Northwest. Skag says that he is faced with a cataract operation.

George and Hope **Rogers** have rented their Hot Springs, Ark., home and have gone to New Zealand for an extended visit; their temporary address there will be c/o John A. Bastek, U. S. Embassy, APO 96690 San Francisco, Calif.

On 31 May 70, Kay **Niblo** presented a stained glass window in honor of Urban to the Chapel of the Centurion at Ft. Monroe, Va. The window was accepted by the post commander in an appropriate dedication service in which 4 chaplains participated. Urban had been stationed at Ft. Monroe before he was retired in 1955. Bobbie **Broberg** wrote to Al **Wedemeyer** to thank the Class for the wreaths sent to the West Point cemetery for Gus.

It is not intended to publish a revised Class roster in the near future. In order that your last roster may be kept up to date, changes of address will be included in these Notes. Changes or corrections since the last ASSEMBLY are: Norvell **Buckland** moved to Box 6287 Box Road, Columbus Ga. 31907 (she is not well, has been in and out of a hospital, has lost the sight of one eye, and is losing the sight of the other). Bryan and Marian **Halter's** street number should be 20879. Ike and Margie **Lawrence** were to move on 1 Oct. to a new condominium apt. at 1 Ben Franklin Dr., Sarasota, Fla. 33577. Bessie **Little** moved to 9480 Charleville Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212. Edwin J. **McAllister's** zip code is 93103. Al **Moore** moved to 5004 Cribari Vale, San Jose, Calif. 95135. Change E. H. to E. R. **Samsey.** Change Ralph **Stearley's** Box to 189 (he came through a recent extensive check-up

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very well, and is making a good recovery following his stroke). Howard A. **White** moved to The Stuyvesant, Apt. 510, 245 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, N. Y. 14222.

We report with deep regret the death of Ben **Sheets** on 3 Aug. He died in his sleep; he had not been ill, and had been looking forward to a good hunting season in the fall and a possible trip to Africa next spring. Ben was one of our most loyal classmates, and he had seemed in the best of health and spirits at our 50th Reunion. Ev wrote that she was so glad that Ben had attended the Reunion because West Point and all of his classmates meant so much to him. It is also our sad duty to report the death of Logan **Shutt's** wife, Mary, on 28 July; she was buried in Arlington on 31 July. Logan and Mary had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 5 July.

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Holle, Byers, and others of the Class Governing Comm. received many appreciative expressions on our Reunion. Their tenor is well represented by Ollie **Garvin's**, "Never been to anything that went so absolutely without a single hitch. We hope to make the 55th," and Louise **George's**, "The song is over, but the memory lingers on." Which but brings to mind **Doolittle's** remark to the bunch around the coffee urn in the waning minutes of the Class picnic, "They broke the mold when they threw this Class together." Yes, indeed, we're a hearty group. Just take another gander at the **McGaws** on page 7 of the last ASSEMBLY.

The spate of traveling spawned by the Reunion was far beyond coverage in the last issue, or in this one. Here's but an added sketch. The John **Mitchells** were accompanied to the Point by Julie's brother, Slifer '18. On return to Vienna, Va., they were joined by the **Holders** and renewed almost continual close association since becoming cadets. The **Holders** went on to visit son Anthony in N. C. The **Chitterlings** saw daughter Elizabeth; the Krens '46, in Columbia, Mo. Later, the **Sharrars** gave them a warm welcome in Salisbury, Md. Evelyn **Vanture** stopped by her sister's, the Bradford Smiths of Ft. Belvoir. During her stay the Samouces had them and the **Rehms** in for cocktails and reminiscences. Did you know that son Homer **Vanture**, an ordained Episcopal Minister, is now at Ft. Gordon, Ga., as an Army Chaplain? Or how Eddie **Larner**, who spent a weekend with the **Georges**, cheered a number who couldn't make it to our 50th (her first)? She sent them Jess' snapshots of their cadet days, after first identifying them in the HOWITZER. Heart-warming replies: "Is that you?" asked Ruth of husband **Strickland**; "I gave it to my older son who's framing it" —from Grace **Roberts** (Tarry) Larter: "How thoughtful and kind. . . !"—Sylvie **Fowler** Stephenson; "You were a peach. . . ."—Charlotte **Gregory** Nielsen: "What a thoughtful thing! . . . We had 24 years at the Academy . . . I should have . . . been at the Reunion too"—Frances Schick: "Just when you begin to believe there's not much joy in this vale of tears . . . an act of . . . consideration turns everything bowl-versa . . . He (Plebe son Frank Jr.) will get a bang out of seeing how his pater looked in cadet uniform"—**Roberts** (Frank).

1920: Byers conducting services at West Point Cemetery during 50th Reunion.

The **Piersons** saw friends in Long Island and USAF son Bill, USNA '48 in McLean, Va.; checked in on Paul **Kelly's** health in Huntsville, Ala., hand-carrying to Eolene the ladies' Reunion pin; and saw **Johnston** (OR) in San Antonio. The **Doolittles** returned to Albuquerque via Ireland. The **Van Sicklers** toured Europe again. The **Swartzes** saw daughter Isabelle to Washington before flying back to Tacoma. Polly **Brady** sent Rip home "to mind the store" while tarrying in Chicago with daughter Louise and 5 lively grandchildren. Rip reported the **Bartletts** (WH) did up Chicago and S.Dak.'s Black Hills before returning to Aptos, Calif. Isi **Curtis** left the Reunion early to attend her own 45th at Smiths'. The **Travises** basked a week with the **Raymonds** in Lincroft, N. J., their former home before Fla. The **Tullys** also Sunday-brunched there while week-ending at Monmouth. **Burkart** reports 100% on the Ft. Myers, Fla., area—himself, the Chuck **Smiths** (CW) and the **Gilberts**. He enjoyed family get-togethers "up Nawth" before returning to instruction equitation, writing historical notes, and elbow-bending. The Chuck **Smiths** summered (simmered?) in N. J. home, had several usual(?) annual months in Europe and a month's fishing in Wis. The **Gilberts** cruised the Caribbean, saw friends in Annapolis, relatives in Ill. and daughter Mary in Bismarck, N.Dak. Eloise **Smith** (RO) accompanied brother Frank and Fran **Morse** to sister at Cape Cod and friends in Alexandria and Centerville, Va. Later, the **Morses** baby-sat 2-yr.-old granddaughter at Milton, Fla., giving son Bob and wife an outing in Chicago. On returning to Shreveport, a shock awaited them. Their home was vandalized and many valuables and usables stolen.

The **Kreuters'** 11 months of travel (see last 2 ASSEMBLYS) deserve a book that Cook's Tours must be anxiously waiting for (Why not write it, Bob?). 4 months of criss-crossing the Australian downunder left them with indelible impressions of the populated SE. and beautiful Tasmania; the less-populated SW. and the huge trees of the Karri Forest; the vast sagebrush flatland of the Nullarbor Plain in the under-belly; the barrenness of the center's "out-back"; and NW.'s lush primeval wildness with its cockatoos and other wild fowl, water buffalo, pig and herds of wallabies. 2 months of New Zealand showed the sheer beauty of the South Island with "its Alps of Switzerland, fjords of Norway, and lakes of Italy" and the North Island's unique geysers harnessed to industry. But "The most impressive feature . . . was the cordial friendliness of the Australians and the New Zealanders." Then a couple of weeks in Hawaii before the Canadian trek to West Point. After that they took Pacita **Martelino** and her granddaughter to Littleton, N. H., the home of one of her sons who later enplaned them at Boston for the flight back to the Philippines. The **Kreuters** wandered further in eastern USA; later toured the AF Academy; still later, swirled down the Snake River in a rubber raft from Jackson, Wyo. (Such rugged people, these 1920's!); then to daughter Nancy and 2 young granddaughters at Sunnyvale, Calif.; finally, home to Santa Monica by 1 Aug.

And now, the 2-year saga of the **Cullums**. Since 2 Jan. 69 they've meandered the breadth of the USA 7 times, pulling up 40-year roots in Avalon, N. J., and laying new ones in Carson City, Nev., and Montserrat, BWI, as now seasonally demanded by their health. They attended the 2d annual convention of the International Wine and Food Society in England and were wined by London's Lord Mayor at his mansion. But the very high point was the wedding 6 Sept. 69 of daughter Janice to David Lacy Hodghead, young deputy atty. of Sunnyvale, Calif. (Hey! Didn't we just thread the **Kreuters** through there?) Since the betrothed had met in Berkeley as members of the Society for Creative Anchronism, their nuptials were in the Society's unique medieval style. The vows were read from a 1529 prayerbook, in keeping with the wedding party's colorful trappings. Get the **Robinsons** to tell you much more. Or Mrs. Elwood Smith, or the **Joslyn's** daughter Lois, who was also there. Other high points were jaunts to the **Strattons** in Washington; a welcome Christmas break with the **Robinsons** in St. Louis during the hard, wintry final drive (with wine cellar?) from Avalon to Carson City; the **Strattons'** and the **Robinsons'** return visits to Montserrat; and wining and dining with the **Planks, Hinds, Culletons,** and the Alex **Sands** at the Presidio of SF.

Reunions are a habit of the **Sands**, H.O. and Alex. They're 2 of 8 children; 4 still in Minneapolis, our 2 in Calif., 1 elsewhere in the US (sorry, don't remember where), and 1 in South Africa. Their 1969 annual powwow totted 151 attending!

If you think the 50th Reunion was the main event before or after the happenings just recounted, you would be so right. No doubt, many others ranged about, too, but rumors reached me not.

Elleane **Nye** wrote **Holle** thanking the many classmates for their sympathy on Bill's death.

Sad news came of Frances **Box's** death in Columbus, Ga., 25 June. We remember so well her gracious presence at the Reunion. From us all goes sympathy to Jeff in his bereavement.

Perwein writes of another great baseballer, **Erickson,** who's retired from Greater Chicago's Sanitary District, so he and Fern can enjoy in full measure their scattered children and grandchildren.

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Kudos to the **Holles** on getting out the handsome Class Directory. Done in true Engineer fashion, it packs such a wealth of factual information for ye Scribe that he'll soon wear out his copy! Charles wouldn't hazard the man- and woman-hours or years it took them. Included in it are three items on which I here repeat Charles' continuing hue and cry for help: 1) Addresses of **Ager, Beattie, Garrison, Greenlaw,** and **Wakefield;** 2) Addresses of widow or next-of-kin of **Andrews, Burgard, Cummings, Link,** and **Pierce;** 3) Obituary information on **Costigan, Elliott, James, Link, Russell, Watson, Yancey,** and **Young.**

Our good wishes for quick recovery go to the ailing. **Lunn** is back at work mornings after an emergency operation. **Romain** is over one operation and contemplates another. **Vogel,** back in the pink, attended the Aug. Class luncheon in Washington and plans to look in on **Merritt** on return home. Jo **Billo,** in San Francisco's Episcopal Retired Old Ladies Home, appreciates being kept up to date. **Raymond's** feeling low after serious surgery at Monmouth's Army Hospital and more at Walter Reed; however, his ever-bubbling spirits keep surfacing. **Bessel's** complaining only of his hand-writing after a stroke after the Reunion. He says **Hasbrouck's** doing well at home after a week at Kingston, N. Y., Hospital. Frank **Roberts** is home now after a very long siege. He hopes to hang on till Frank Jr., our latest godson at the Point, tosses his cap in the air at graduation. Stick it out one more year after that, Frank, and make our 55th Reunion. We missed you and Esther at the 50th.

Bessell also reports presenting to the West Point Library, on Frank Roberts' request a book Frank autographed and sent him. It is "The Panay Incident" by Perry. Published in 1969 it describes the 1937 sinking, in the Yangtze River, of the U.S. Navy gunboat "Panay" by Japanese bombers during their capture of Nanking. It vividly recites young CPT **Roberts'** distinguished leading role in this unfortunate prelude to Pearl Harbor.

Congratulations to **Haswell,** author of church articles on adult education, leadership training, and mental health. He now has one on "The Challenge of the Retired" in the fall issue of ADULT LEADER, a national publication of the United Methodist Church. Chesty also threatens to write a book and urges you others to forget false modesty and advise (me) of literary accomplishments to your and P. Holt's credit.

The **Gillettes** have left a gaping hole in the Washington Area group. They've moved to Castine, Me. 04421. Betty **Ward** Fisher reports wedding of son John Taylor **Ward III.**

BBVOASBR stands for Bill **Bartlett's** Very Own Apple Sauce Bread Recipe on which they've been thriving since 1957. He confided its secrets to **Samouce** at the Reunion but almost lost him later till Duke discovered that a mixmaster is not a blender (Whoosh!). Other converts include **Hinds** and Conrad '18.

As this goes to press, late word has come of the fine tribute for **Lemnitzer** on 25-26 Sept. by Honesdale, Pa., his hometown. Plans, yet incomplete, include a reception; a festive dinner with GEN Mark Clark as speaker. (He's the pal of Lem's who masterminded that dunking in the Mediterranean they both took early in WWII); a big parade with many Drum and Bugle Corps from Pa. and N. Y. schools, a Marine Band from Ill., the USMA Band, a det. of West Point cadets, and many others. Mayor Louis A. Howell Jr. and

1920: Holle unveils Class Gift painting, "Napoleonic Artillery."

Messrs. John J. Weidner and Featherton, respectively the Dinner and Parade Chairmen, have been swamped with reservation requests from Lem's numerous friends from boyhood and throughout his distinguished life. Truly, it will be a most memorable occasion for Lem and Kay and a compliment so richly deserved.

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Charlie **Branham** died of a heart attack on 7 Aug. 1970. Burial was in the Cadet Cemetery after services which were held in the old Cadet Chapel. The Chapel was filled to capacity with Charlie's friends and acquaintances. The classmates present were: Harry **Albert,** Jordan **Bassett,** Art **Klein,** Bill **Lawton,** Myron **Leedy,** George **Olmsted,** Cort **Schuyler** and Max **Taylor** all of whom acted as honorary pallbearers. Nelle Sue expressed her "heartfelt thanks to the Class of 1922 for the beautiful spray of yellow chrysanthemums sent in memory of my dear Charles. He too would have been most appreciative of the thoughtfulness of his classmates." The tribute paid to Charlie in the 1970 summer edition of the ASSEMBLY bears repeating here. "His perseverence and dedication to the ideals of West Point transformed the Association of Graduates and the West Point Alumni Foundation into lasting instruments of benefit to the Academy and the nation. He will be sorely missed by his many friends." On behalf of the Class I extend to Nelle Sue our sincere heartfelt sympathy in her loss of Charlie. He was truly another great Oriole.

Another sad note to report is that John **Spalding,** the Godson of our Class, died as the result of a freak accident in Sweden where he was supervising the construction of a factory for his employer, the Union Carbide Co. John and his wife Eleanor were returning from an island on a ferry boat. They were standing behind a truck when it started to move. John pushed Eleanor out of the way, but the truck caught him and he died shortly thereafter. After considerable delay the body was returned to the states and burial took place at Central Valley, N. Y. John had tried to enter West Point, but could not meet the physical requirement. He graduated from M.I.T. and was a brilliant engineer. We are all sorry to learn about this most unfortunate event and to Dorothy, Eleanor, and their families we extend our sincere sympathy.

Our daughter and her husband, a retired Canadian Naval Officer, decided to make their home in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. Hazel and I visited them in Aug. Victoria is a bit of "Ole England," a most attractive city. If you have never been there, put it on your list of places to see. While waiting for a plane in St. Louis, I called Oscar **Beal** on the phone. I had a very pleasant conversation with both Oscar and Charlotte. They both sounded like they were enjoying life. In order to visit friends in Port Angels, we took the ferry boat out of Victoria to spend a day with them and get in a little salmon fishing in the Straits off Port Angeles, and I do mean a "little" salmon fishing. Evidently I am not as good a salmon fisherman as Benny **Chidlaw.** All I could do was catch 1 small 1, just big enuf to be a "keeper." After leaving Port Angeles, we spent a day in Seattle with a niece, and while there I called Bob **McClenaghan.** Bob told me he had 1 eye removed on 11 Aug. It had been giving him some trouble, and the doctors recommended its removal before it got worse. When I talked to him, he had just about recovered from the operation and was getting back in the routine of enjoying life again. When in Seattle one must eat atop the Space Needle. Glad we did, it's worth while.

Numa **Watson** wrote me that he has just about given up hope of locating **Schildroth's** widow. A letter with an address given him by the AOG was returned. Does anyone have any information that would be helpful? Again I ask that you send me any info you may have about widows of classmates. According to my records there are 25 widows unaccounted for.

Numa wrote Max **Taylor** congratulating him on his T.V. appearance in which he discussed the Cambodia situation with 3 Senators. I missed this program, but according to Numa, Max has not lost any of his mental alertness. Murph sent me a news clipping from a Sacramento paper dated 16 June 70. The item quoted Max as saying he supported President Nixon's decision to attack Communist sanctuaries in Cambodia, and the timely raid into the logistic bases of the opposition was not an expansion of the war, as some persons assert. How true!

Last June I wrote notes to **Conway, Gibson, Hensey, McLallen, Pirkey,** and **Stephens** asking them to write me about their goings-on. I received replies from 2: **Gibson** and **Pirkey.** Shelley wrote that he had nothing worth reporting. Well, even that is news. **Pirkey** stated that his son is a MAJ in the Air Corps on duty with CINCPAC Staff, Hi. Frank has 2 grandsons. His wife's name is Jane (please note this on your address list). .333 is a good batting average in baseball, but in this case it's lousy. It is difficult to understand why one cannot take out a few minutes of one's busy (that's quote and unquote) retired life to put a few words on paper. Two replies out of 6 requests just "ain't no good" as we would say in New "Joisey."

If a classmate himself won't write, perhaps he could do like Al **Price,** get his wife to write. Avis writes that she and Al will try to make 1 of the Florida Snow-Bird reunions. In the meantime, she says the heat of the Valley (Citrus Heights, Calif.) has gotten to them, also the rains, and the "North 40" area is a bit of a chore even with a gardener as helper. If they leave it, they will miss the gorgeous flowers, lemon and orange trees and

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a warehouse full of cherries, plums, pears, and peaches. I know what you mean, even my little 2/5ths of an acre seems like a ranch at this stage of life. The **Price's** son-in-law has returned to Vietnam, while his wife and 2 children live in Arlington, Va. The son-in-law is COL Leslie R. Forney Jr. As for Al, well, he continues on as a realtor.

By way of a few statistics: 23 classmates had sons who graduated from West Point, in fact the Hughes had 2 sons who are graduates, making a total of 24. Of this number 4 have died or been killed, 5 have left the service, leaving a total of 15 still on active duty.

The **Marcuses** are trying to sell their house in San Francisco and move to San Diego in the Ranch Bernardo area where the **Sprys** live. **Carroll Sullivan** and Grace used to live in Ranch Bernardo, but moved to Palo Alto to be near their children. Morris writes that he and Grace met the **Sullivans** and their guest, the charming Helen Taylor, at the Presidio Officers Mess, and while they each had separate reservations they did have time to "lift a few" and have a pleasant visit before dinner.

Ollie **Hughes** complained about the heat wave this past summer, but along came a couple days of rain and saved the tobacco crop and incidently his tomato plants.

George **Olmsted** spent 2 weeks in Europe on business during June. One of George's companies has banks in England, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, and Lebanon, and he probably opened a few more while over there. That is 1 way to get next to a lot of money—go in the banking business.

Toy **Gregory** wrote me last June that the doctors put him in the hospital because his blood count was low, but after a week they had built up the count and sent him home and he now feels a lot better.

The **Slator Millers** spent Aug. and Sept. in Hi., but they expect to spend the rest of the year in Carmel. As a matter of fact, they expect to spend most of their time in Carmel.

Jimmy and Lou **Spry** were planning on meeting the **Sullivans** in Palo Alto the latter part of Sept. and proceed from there to the mouth of the Smith River in Northern Calif. to do a little salmon and steelhead fishing. Quoting Jim, "I can't speak for Sully, but for me these expeditions usually result in just a lovely automobile ride." I know exactly what you mean, but let us know what luck you had.

Jim **O'Connell** spent some time in Washington last summer. He had to return again in Sept. Helen had to have a cataract operation at the Sibley Hospital. They expected to return to Boca Raton about 10 Oct. As this is being written (10 Sept.) we wish you, Helen, a speedy recovery.

Bob **Murphy** surely gets around. He covered so much ground on his flying trip West and gave me so much detail that if I were to repeat it all here it would take up more space than is allotted to me. The highlights were as follows: He left Fall River, Mass., via commercial carrier to Baltimore, Md., where he spent 4 days at the Genealogy Research Center and agency of H.E.W. He had volunteered as a "guinea pig" and must return each year for a free physical examination. He did not explain what this was all about. On to Washington from whence he flew Air Force planes on a space available basis to Dayton, St. Louis, Omaha, Denver, Salt Lake City, Las Vegas, San Francisco, Seattle, Boise and then back to Fall River via Charleston, S.C., and Trenton, N.J. The highlight of the trip was the ride down the Colo. River. A party of 30 including Murph assembled at Las Vegas and proceeded via bus to Lees Ferry the starting point of the trip. Then in 4 rafts they rode the rapids of the river covering about 35 miles a day, for 10 days, a total of about 350 miles. Murph says that there were times when some of the big drops "shook the living hell out of all of us." For a fellow pushing 70 this was quite an undertaking. I don't think that I could ride a row boat across the Hudson River on a calm day. On this trip Murph visited, or talked on the phone or ate with Numa **Watson**, Gus **Nelson**, Oscar **Beal**, Ham **Meyer**, Carroll **Sullivan**, Toy **Gregory**, **McClenaghen**, **Chidlaw**, Pat **Wardlaw**, **Thompson**, Wes **Yale**, Slator **Miller**, Helen **Taylor**, and Ila **Svihra**. The trip eastward ended with a 10-day visit with Murph's daughter and her family at Lewiston, Idaho.

I have a copy of the eulogy by Father Lawrence E. Derry given at the burial of George **Taylor** at West Point on 23 Apr. 1970. Whoever writes George's obituary for the ASSEMBLY should include this tribute to George in whole or in part. It is a masterpiece.

Our Class memorial has been completed and has been placed in the Visitors Information Center. All that remains now is for us to formally dedicate it and present it to the Academy which will take place upon the occasion of our 50th anniversary of graduation. It is now less than 2 years away, so start planning now. As of this date (10 Sept.) the fund stands at $6,102.00 made up of $6,036.00 cash and $66.00 remaining in pledges). The "Newburgh Evening News" of 13 July 1970 had a quarter page write-up about our memorial together with several pictures. I hope to get a picture of the structure in the next edition of this magazine.

Orval **Cook** wrote me that the Class luncheons in Washington are not very well attended in the summer. Only 4 showed up at the June luncheon: **Cook**, **Lawton**, **McClure**, and **Olmsted**. Bill **Lawton** bought the "libation." The Washington, D. C., area has the largest concentration of classmates of any city in the US, and it is the only city in which monthly 1921-22 class luncheons are held. I would suggest that someone be appointed at each meeting to make notes of those attending, what action was taken, if any, and any other items of interest. Then if he would kindly forward these notes to me, I will include them in the Class notes in this magazine.

Benny **Chidlaw** reported on his salmon trip up Alaska way. It seems CINCNORAD had to go up to the far north on an inspection trip of the Defense System, so Benny went along with him. While CINC was inspectin', Benny was fishin', and he didn't do too badly. He caught 4 big salmon in the 28-30 pound class which was pretty good but not quite big enuf to win the $20,000.00 prize. He says he was about a week too early for the major King Salmon runs. The only way I know how to solve this problem is to convince CINCNORAD to inspect the Far North Defense System a little later next year.

I like Benny's crack about old age creeping up on us. He paraphrased one of Jimmy Durante's recent quotes, "If I hadda knowed I was going to live this long, I woulda took better care of myself."

In addition to Bob **Murphy**, Benny had a phone call from Babe **Wilson** who was on his way West to visit his brother. Babe had some distance to drive that day and just did not have time to stop in and have lunch with the **Chidlaws**.

As a parting shot: All youse guys and gals that ain't writ me recently get out the ole pen or pencil (I ain't fussy) and drop me a line.

P.S. I had a call from Eddie **Clark** the other evening. He called me from Westport, Conn., to congratulate me on the ASSEMBLY notes. Many thanks Eddie. He said there was a letter in the mail, but unfortunately I must get these notes off to W.P. before receipt of the letter. I will tell you about it next time.

P.S. No. 2. I just finished reading Wes **Yale's** book, "Alternative to Armageddon." If you have not already done so, get it and read it. It's a must reading for all military people, retired and active. Congratulations, Wes. You did a great job.

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It was only after I had read through our Class Column in the last ASSEMBLY, that I realized that nowhere in those notes is it indicated that the guy whose arm I twisted to write the column while Dorothy and I were in Europe was Forstall **Adams**. I am sure you will all want me to thank him for the fine job he did with the modesty and effectiveness which are characteristic of the many services he gives the Class as a whole and our local group in particular.

A number of items for ASSEMBLY were in the mail that stacked up while we were away and a few reached **Adams** late. The most striking of these was a letter from **Albrecht** telling that he and Jane Boudreau Morgan had married in May and are now living at 4540 Northside Dr. NW., Atlanta, Ga. 30327. We wish them the best of happiness and welcome Jane into the distaff contingent of the Class. The **Albrechts** displace the **Kehms** as the latest newlyweds in '23. **Schlatter's** notes on the Tex. Wing of 1923 revealed: that we were represented by **Lawrence**, T.E. **Lewis**, **Hallock**, **Myers**, W.W. **White**, and Schlats at the San Antonio Founders Day Dinner; that Frank **Dodd's** daughter is now the lady pro at the Canyon Country Club; that Jamison's son, Lewis ('49) recently back from Vietnam is in Germany; that the **Schlatter's** recent visitors in connection with such formations as a meeting of the Daedalians included their son George ('30), the **Weikerts**, **Towle** and a host of AF types of our general vintage who really kept Schlats and Berby on the jump; that the **Timberlakes** had a successful speckled trout fishing trip; that the W.W. **Whites** back in Hartford after a short trip are now piping the 47½, and; that **Schlatter**, **Lewis** and **White** were our contingent at a meeting of the Southwest Tex. WP Society.

The impounded non-pornographic photo to which Forstall referred in the last ASSEMBLY, was duly liberated and appears elsewhere in this column. However, Trooper **Price** says the picture of the folks at Ray **Pierce's** party on 16 May will not appear because though he managed to get the film into an exotic camera, it was backwards!

CLASS AFFAIRS. **Breidster** sends all of you his best wishes. He kept a watchful eye on the prospective attendance at the 47½. That formation will be history when you

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1923: Harmony's Luncheon, Officers Mess, Presidio of S.F. Back row, left to right: Garrecht, Gjelsteen, Fitzmaurice, Enderton, O.C. Stewart, Lucille Rutte, Louis Rutte, G.H. Palmer. Middle row, left to right: Jess Binns, Marion Harmony, Alice White, (Mrs. F.R.) Ruth Johnson, Marge Fitzmaurice, Agnes Garrecht, Virginia Post, Elizabeth Palmer, Eleanor Buckley, Marian Enderton, Mrs. O.C. Stewart, Ellaverne McGehee. Front row, left to right: Binns, Genevieve Gjelsteen, Buckley, J.H. White, W.R. Pierce, Harmony, Mary Pierce, Pesek, McGehee, Loriena Price, Harriette Pesek. Troope Price behind the camera.

see these notes. The outlook at the beginning of Sept. is for a good attendance.

Class luncheons will be held on the 3d Wed. at Ft. Myer in Nov., Dec., Feb. and Apr. There will probably be a Co-ed formation in May. The 47½ takes the place of the Sept. luncheon. In Jan., Mar. (Founders Day Dinner), and May we will meet with the local WP Society. If you find you may be in a position to attend any of these, get in touch with **O'Reilly**, me or any of the locals for details.

It appears that we will have a good representation at the ARMY-Virginia football game. Bob and Polly **Dulaney**, who live just off the golf course of the Farmington Country Club near Charlottesville, have invited classmates to come by for a drink after the game.

JUNE WEEK 1970. The ARMY Swimming Coach presented our swimming trophy at the award ceremony. The best available information indicates that **Blomme, Serig,** and **Weikert** were the only Classmates present for the Alumni activities. Caroline **Leone** attended the Alumni Dinner and Reception. We are indebted to **Weikert** for the picture.

BE THOU AT PEACE. Marjorie **Fry** died after a long and trying illness. Services were held for her at Arlington on 11 Aug. Most of you recall that the **Frys'** son, James Jr. '48 was drowned in the Potomac in 1956. **Jim** has borne these tragedies with the great calm and courage he has shown so often over the years. He has the deepest sympathy and the best wishes of all of us at this trying time.

PEOPLE-DOINGS. **Biddle's** job as riding instructor brought him an enviable fringe benefit in June when he was asked to lead a riding tour in the Lake Balaton area near Budapest. The trip included a stopover in Vienna, a hydrofoil trip down the Danube to Budapest and a tour of that city as well as the mounted excursions into the countryside. Bill had a former Hungarian Hussar officer as riding master and a lady guide interpreter on his staff. Needless to say, it was a most interesting experience. Bill is continuing a light schedule of instruction and is also doing horse show judging in the Middle Atlantic area.

Carroll's retirement from his job with the Pa. NG in Oct. entails a change of address to: 104 Audubon Road, Fayetteville, N. Y. 13066. **Dwyer** was "tried" at the reunion of the 102d (Ozark) Division at Nashville and found guilty of being:—"A man's man/ A soldier's soldier/ Mr. Ozark himself." In addition he was presented a large wrought iron and brass eagle by the Artillery unit of his combat team. He is the Historian of the Association and editor of the semi-annual "Ozark Notes." In addition he is our Class representative in the Philadelphia-N. J.-Del. area.

R. B. **Evans** passed on the sad news that the widow of W. H. **Kelly** had died about a year ago. He informed us that A. C. **Johnson**, (ex '23) is now living in his vicinity. R. B. says he has cut his golf to 9 holes and reduced his once extensive auto travelling because he is tired of long car trips. He joins lots of us in that league!

Fowler is our leading representative in another league. In the past few years I have reported his participation in long distance runs for seniors. I am indebted to Deke **Stone** for the news that this year, so help me, the guy also competed in the sprints! He placed in the 100, 200, and 400 meter dashes in a meet in June and then in Aug. he topped it off by competing in the 400 meters and coming in 7th in the mile though he was the oldest of all the contestants in the US Masters Track and Field Championships at San Diego. What a man!

Guevara and Carmon leased out their apartment in The Watergate in Washington this spring. They spent part of this padless period to make the long trip to Europe noted in a previous ASSEMBLY. After lighting here briefly, they are now en route to visit their ex-Army doctor son in private practice in San Jose, Calif. Depending on how lease arrangements work out they may go on to the Philippines before returning to Washington.

B. C. **Graves** (ex '23) who was brought to our attention by **Tredennick**, his ex-wife, is a Ph.D. and Director of the psychiatric pavilion of the Northwest Tex. Hospital at Amarillo, Tex. His address:— Dr. B. C. Graves, 6911 Elmhurst St., Amarillo, Tex. 79106.

Heaney was in the hospital at Lackland AFB when I sent him a letter asking if he could help us find H. **Davidson** after letters addressed to him at Pompano Beach were returned. Doris got together with George and Marian **Dewey**, and they found **Davidson.** They discovered that he was not able to get around much due to the after-effects of a brain operation of a few years ago. His new address is: 4401 SW. 93 Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. 33314, Tel. 305-581-1793. **Heaney** was released from the hospital after a 7-week stay while he was treated for a mild case of lymphoblastic sarcoma. He estimates it is probably curable in less than a year. I haven't any idea what that fancy-named illness entails, but we sure wish George the very best and thank him for organizing such a good job on finding **Davidson** for us.

Holland's widow Rubye has changed her address to: 740 Canterbury Hill, San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

Grombach's injury, which precluded his presentation of our swimming trophy, appears to have been self-inflicted. He describes it as "coming from kicking myself." Despite that he has been active and productive as Class rep in the N. Y. area.

A. C. **Johnson** (ex '23) mentioned above got himself a job in construction after he was found and made a career of it. He wound up with his own company formed in partnership with a fellow worker. After a very successful career and with offices in N. Y. and Portland, Me., they sold out in 1963. **Johnson** has belonged to the AOG and various WP societies over the years. He now lives at: 3076 Gulf Gate Dr., Sarasota, Fla. 33581.

1923: The Kehms having sangria at Botins in Madrid.

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1923: Jane and Duke Albrecht.

W. G. **Johnson** and Ruth have sold their summer residence at Camden, Me., and will move into a new home there after Johnny gets through running our 47½. Ruth was a bit under the weather when they left here this spring but is better now. Golf, bowling, gardening, and household engineering seem to have kept them adequately occupied.

Kehm and Dorothy had a delightful week on Crete with Dorothy's daughter. After that they spent 2 days on Rhodes and 9 days in Greece where they soaked themselves in art, history, and culture. Their visit ended with 3 weeks in Spain and Mallorca. They had drinks with Clyde and Marjorie **Rich** in Madrid and with Betty White in Palma. Those folks sent greetings to all of you. The **Kehms** had almost perfect weather throughout the trip but not so perfect airline connections and baggage services. Incidents which now seem impossible and hilarious were exhausting and disconcerting. Though Dorothy and Baron were by no means making political surveys, they saw enough of the details of life in Greece and Spain to convince them that the charges of governmental suppression and brutality made so often by cocktail circuit observers are generally grossly exaggerated.

Martin's widow, Bernardine, after doing a stint as a census enumerator was asked to do follow-ups on that job. When she read the status of our Class fund, she felt some of her earnings might be useful there and sent us a check which may make **Adams** do a bit of recomputation. More recently she has been asked to work for the Commerce Department in other surveys and says she now finds that after many years of voluntary community service she is making a little money in the work as well as enjoying it thoroughly.

1923: Weikert, Bloome and Serig—June Week.

McInerney was hit by a car while shopping and was hospitalized in the St. Albans Naval Hospital in N. Y. This news came from Shim **Reid**, and I have been unable to get any follow-up information.

G. H. **Palmer** took his wife Elizabeth on a trip to Ak. this summer to revisit some of the areas where he had been 40 years earlier. He tells us that it was an organized tour with so many activities that they had to wait until they got home to get rested up. They traveled by air, rail, bus, and ship via Skagway, Whitehorse, Fairbanks, McKinley National Park, Anchorage, and Seward. They agree the modern modes of travel made it much easier to see more in less time but found that this had both advantages and drawbacks. They had good weather which gave them an opportunity to see Mt. McKinley at its majestic best. Besides the airplane, the development of highways begun with labors of our classmate, John R. **Noyes**, in the thirties have opened up vast areas of the state formerly inaccessible says Pinky, and he adds that he glimpsed a sign "V.F.W. John **Noyes** Post" showing that the Alaskans have not forgotten John.

1923: DARIDO, Biddle up, at Nagyvazsony, Hungary.

Reid reports that he has had so much truck with the medicos at Vandenberg A.F. Base Hospital, that he can now show more, bigger and better scars than LBJ ever displayed. **Harmony** in reporting on that said Shim had really had a tough time but is doing nicely now. He also said Kay is now back to normal after minor surgery for a skin cancer. The **Reid's** Green Beret son is in Germany with his family and their daughter, Mrs. R. E. Mays and her family are in Darien, Conn.

Price says that he has sent samples from a science fiction novel to his agent to peddle around looking for a publisher. He also has a fantasy novel looking for a customer. **Rich** had dinner with the **Breidsters** in the course of a short business trip to Milwaukee in July. **Roth's** Cadillac agency opened a new building on 3¾ acres earlier this year. D. F. **Stone** had a physical check-up at Homestead AFB recently to determine his eligibility for automobile insurance. R. **Stone** has now fully retired and is doing volunteer work including visiting shut-ins on behalf of his church. He reports seeing the **Rosenbergs** taking 2 youngsters through the San Diego Stadium while he was on a similar "assignment." He reports that the years ride gracefully on the **Rosenbergs'** shoulders. The **Stones** announced the marriage of their daughter Marjorie Beal to Mr. Robert J. Fowler (no relative of Dave) in Aug.

Torrence had to cut short a visit to Erie, Pa., this summer because his emphysema was acting up. He is doing nicely at home with continuous oxygen treatment. **Webber** has a grandson in the new Plebe Class, 1974.

FLASH. Just as I completed these notes, the Pony Express galloped in from Calif. with a letter from **Harmony.** Some of the subject matter is covered above. Among other items is the fact that Virginia **Post** is in Vancouver, B. C., visiting her daughter and family. The pin in Virginia's hip had been giving her trouble and removal has been suggested, but the doctors decided she could make the trip before a final decision is made.

Opie and Muriel **Newman** had a busy time during their visit to San Francisco. Jazz's report is full of accounts of golf games involving Opie, **Binns**, Jazz, O. C. **Stewart**, and **Buckley** and indications of other social activities. According to Jazz, the **Newmans** were in good spirits and health except that Opie had to have a couple of stitches taken in a finger which he cut as he reached into a toilet kit to get out his razor.

Pinky **Palmer** has disrupted the **Buckley, Stewart, Harmony, Palmer** golf series while he is growing a new nail on the thumb of his left hand.

During a visit to Agnes' eye doctor, the **Garrechts** dropped by to see the **Harmonys.** Both were in fine fettle and feeling good because Agnes' eye problem is on the mend. Marion **Harmony** too has eye trouble in the form of a cataract on the right eye. All indications are that it is slow-growing. Under Jazz's tender loving guidance Marion is "coping" so well that she has greatly reduced the wear and tear on stockings traceable to sight problems.

The **Harmonys** have planned a trip to Lake Tahoe the last half of Sept. with their daughter Sally, her husband, and the granddaughter. Jazz has had to bone up on his Red Cross Life Savings training because the 2-year-old is particularly active around the water and jumps in without any prior depth reconnaissance. DON'T FORGET, P.P.P. POOP AND PICTURES!

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It is with the deepest regret that we report the following deaths: Frank J. **Thompson** died of a heart attack on 3 June in the VA Hospital in Gainesville, Fla., where he was being treated for diabetes and emphysema. He was buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Gainesville on 5 June.

Mrs. Murray B. **Crandall** (Madge) died of a heart attack on 7 June after a long illness. Services were held on 10 June at Cypress View Mortuary in San Diego where the remains were cremated.

Washington Mackey **Ives** Jr. died on 22

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June in a San Antonio hospital of a heart attack which occurred while he was playing golf. He was buried with full military honors in Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery on 23 June. Honorary pallbearers included Haydon **Boatner**, Marcus **Stokes**, Howard **Kessinger**, Paul **Cooper**, Robert **Cullen**, Clarence **Darling**, H. D. **McHugh**, J. T. **Traywick**, G. E. **Wrockloff**, J. P. **Maher**, W. J. **Eyerly**, and Joseph **Massaro**.

Mrs. Hardy C. **Dillard** (Janet) died at her Charlottesville home on 19 July after an extended illness, with burial on 20 July.

Daniel J. **Martin** (Honorary 1924—U. S. Naval Academy) died suddenly of a heart attack on 27 July in Rhode Island. He was buried in Calvary Cemetery, Houston, on 31 July following services in St. Anne's Catholic Church.

The Class extends its deepest sympathy to the bereaved families.

John **Hill's** daughter Jocelyn Dickson and her husband adopted a baby girl in Mar., and in June Jocie found herself pregnant with a new baby expected in Nov. They are thrilled to be a family of 4. John **Hill** Jr. (USMA '46) graduated from helicopter pilot school in June and is now commanding a separate brigade in VN. He will probably have received his BG star by the time this item appears.

Corinne **Outcalt's** son-in-law LTC Charles Saint completed his 2d tour in VN in June, returned to Washington for a month with his family, and is now back in VN in command of a battalion with the Americal Div.

Dinty **Moore** wrote Charlie **Royce** saying that he is recovering from his knee operations and plays 9 holes of golf, using a cart. "My knee will be limited in movement but I swing like in a telephone booth. Really feel like I'll be ready for the Class Meeting this fall."

Charlie **Van Way** has received his International Executive Service assignment to give advice and consultation to the Thanaioai Business School in Bangkok. Van and Hazel left in July via the short route: Chicago, Seattle, and Tokyo.

Peyton **McLamb** wrote that Bill **O'Connor** and Maria Becker, widow of Arthur A. Becker, Class of '47, were married at West Point on 20 May. After a honeymoon in Bermuda, they are living at Bill's place in the Ariz. desert. Peyton was in the hospital with a small bleeding ulcer and thus unable to attend the wedding. He is recovering nicely but complains "the diet is atrocious for one who enjoyed eating. Esther says I drink more milk than both our children when they were growing up."

Kess **Kessinger** and Marcus **Stokes** report that the prospects for the Army Retirement Community project in San Antonio are most favorable. Suitable land northeast of the city has been donated by a local real estate developer and Zed Emerson ('25) promises to get appropriate financing. The project committee expects to have plans, models, etc., to display at the Annual Convention of the ROA being held in San Antonio in Nov.

Lorraine **Claybrook** Gants has taken a house in Ocean City, Md., for the month of Aug. where she will entertain visiting children and grandchildren. Lorraine has been among those working hard to advance the cause of retirement pensions for military widows.

Pat **Pasolli**, Clyde **Eddleman**, Art **Trudeau**, Denis **Mulligan**, and Peyton **McLamb** visited our alma mater on Alumni Day. On 1 July, 5 young men counseled and sponsored by Pat entered the Academy. Four are track men, and one is "a very good hockey prospect." This makes a total of 16 cadets Pat has brought into the Academy since 1963. In recognition of his assistance, Pat was invited to award the medals for the ARMY (108)-Navy (46) Track Meet.

Charlie **Stevenson** presented the David Marcus Memorial Award in Thayer Hall to the outstanding boxer in the graduating class: Cadet Jeffrey R. Troxell.

Phyllis Anne John, daughter of Agnes and Howard **John**, was married in the Ft. Myer Chapel on 20 June to Gregory Lee Olney II, 2LT U.S.A.R. Following the ceremony the couple were driven to the reception at Patton Hall in the famous 2-passenger carriage drawn by two gray horses, with coachman and footman in Army blues.

Sammy **Samouce** wrote that their spring visit to England and Europe was most enjoyable. He and Erica recommend the use of Eurrail passes during out of season periods when reservations are generally unnecessary. He also reported a pulled shoulder muscle, acquired "strictly in line of duty"—pulling the cork out of a bottle of "Valpolicelli 1963 from Verona."

Tommy **Holmes** wrote how delighted he and Lucie were when the Robert **Thompsons** of Jackson, Miss., and the John **Williams** of Charleston, S. C., visited them last spring. In the past 16 years only 2 other classmates had penetrated the "deep South" to stop at Oaklawn Gardens.

Our thanks to Joe and Nugie **Massaro** for the July roster of the Alamo Chapter.

Pat **Pasolli** sent in a copy of the "New York Times Magazine" on 5 July 1970 which carried an interesting article by Thomas Fleming entitled "West Point Cadets Now Say, 'Why, Sir?'" We gather that times have changed somewhat.

The Bob **Harpers** must have sold their home in Harlingen since we have a change of address to San Antonio. Charlie and Jean **Palmer** are spending most of Aug. and part of Sept. at the Lake Placid Club as is their pleasant custom. Son Charles joined them in late Aug. after his 6th summer at Camp Idlewild, N. H.

The last week of July was a rough one for Zero **Wilson**. He not only lost 2 other old and good friends suddenly but also Dan **Martin**, his only classmate in Houston. Earlier in the month Betty and Zero had dinner in San Antonio with Marcus and Agnes **Stokes** and Betty **Gibson**. From all reports the Alamo Chapter continues to "enjoy daily golf and other blessings of retirement." The **Wilsons** planned to see Ken and Melba **Strother** in Santa Monica in late Aug. while en route to Hi. to visit their son Joe and his wife Dot and the 5 grandchildren.

Hardy **Dillard** came home from The Hague, their son from New York, and daughter Joan from Saipan in the Mariana Islands, where she is with the Peace Corps, during Janet's last illness, and later attended the services in Charlottesville. We don't see Otis **McCormick** very often, but his views on the Con Son Island Prison affair which were recently published in "Letters to the Editor" in the "Washington Star" were well stated.

Ray **Beurket** reports that work has been started on our Class Memorial Project. Ray has been advised by the Academy that any widow of our Class who makes a contribution to the project will have her name inscribed on her husband's in the Memory Book in the USMA Library. Many widows have already contributed, though they were not solicited, but we still have a few classmates to hear from. The **Beurkets'** son-in-law, LTC Robert Schroeder, is back from VN and taking the War College course at Carlisle Barracks.

Daisy and Charlie **Royce** leave on 24 Sept. for a 3-weeks' vacation in Germany and in Rome and Tuscany in Italy.

In response to a recent inquiry in our Bulletin, Les **Skinner** nominated Don **Storck** as our eldest classmate. Les made a rough count that showed that more than 50 were born before 1900 (and the rest not too long afterward!). Although Les officially retired in 1965, he is still working as a consultant for the Society of Manufacturing Engineers which requires a certain amount of travelling around the USA. His health is excellent, but Helen suffers from severe arthritis and has to be careful of her diet. Their 3 daughters are all married and live on the East Coast and have supplied a total of 8 grandchildren for the **Skinners**. Their son, who is unmarried, has a degree in Computer Science and works for Leasco Systems and Research Corp. in Bethesda, Md.

Dick and Helen **Nugent** are reversing the trend ("and at our age, too!") by moving from their apartment to a house in Indialantic, Fla., that they fell in love with and bought. Their oldest granddaughter, Ann and Blaine's child, made the Dean's List at Duke this spring as a sophomore.

Clyde and Lorraine **Eddleman** will spend a few days with the Armistead Meads in Williamsburg in Aug. and leave 8 Sept. to motor to Sun Valley and Phoenix, then a week in the White Mountains in Apache country in Ariz. and return via El Paso and San Antonio, visiting various friends along the way. No wonder they like to drive—they have a very elegant new black Mercedes.

The Spring '70 issue of ASSEMBLY carried a very flattering review of my latest book, "Planning for Victory, World War II," and Jim Moore unkindly inquired whether I had written the review as well as the book. Betty and I are off for a 3-week holiday in Sept., flying to Rome, Florence, Venice, and Paris, and returning on the S.S. **France**.

Johnny **Elmore**, our Entertainment Committee Chairman, has had plenty of experience in entertaining this summer, with a considerable assist from Muriel. Daughter Janie and her husband, LTC Max Spears, and 4 of their 5 children, enormous German shepherd, and 2 cats; Buddy **Elmore** and his wife Pay and their 3 children (they put the dog in a kennel) visited Johnny and Muriel and their golden retriever—which considerably enlarged the meal count. However, everybody had a fine time, even the dogs and cats. The Spears are on the way to Leavenworth and the C&GS School for Max.

Jim and Mildred **Moore** also had a busy summer with visits from Jim Jr. and Joan and their 6 children, and Mary and her husband, Jack Sloan, and their 3, both families on their way to Germany. Jim and Mildred are now vacationing with a 2 or 3 or more weeks motor trip, as the mood strikes them, which will include Quebec, Bar Harbor, and home through the White Mountains, visiting various friends en route.

Doris **Kirkendall** writes that Jack is very ill and is now in a nursing home. Deck **Reynolds** retired in Aug. after 12 years with the Small Business Administration in Washington. The number of classmates still at the grindstone is rapidly growing smaller.

The Air Force's oldest hangar, restored Hangar 9 at Brooks Air Force Base, was recently dedicated as a memorial to LTC

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Edward H. White ('52), son of our Eddie and Mary **White**, who was born in San Antonio and lost his life preparing for a space flight in 1967. The **Whites**, the widow and children, and many Service and civilian friends were present for the impressive ceremonies.

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We feel as though the entire month of Aug. passed like a fleeting shadow, but the mail (which we had stopped on 1 Aug.) accumulated to a full PO canvas sack before we picked it up on our return from a fast moving vacation of some 6,500 miles. Only a small portion was Class news, and we eagerly await your reports on your travels and contacts.

Our copy of the Class Reunion picture was not mailed from WP until Aug.—remember when we used to have these before we left the Academy June Week?

A nice note from Freddy **Bartz** indicating our friendship still intact despite the hang-up over address mistakes. He reported on a cocktail and dinner party hosted by Sally (Sharon) Parker (N'27) at which Connie and Freddy together with Buddy and Lief **Neprud** were guests. We greatly appreciated an autographed napkin which included lots of good wishes and very clever remarks.

Our local Sept. luncheon was well attended with all 4 "Professors" on hand: **Chamberlain, Cole, Barnett,** and **Hopkins.** We will expect to have Hoppie with us regularly now that he is retired and also happy to welcome George **Grayeb** as a regular since he is planning to stay in this area permanently. Tentative plans were made to have an evening party with the Ladies present semi-annually in addition to our regular, 1st Thurs. luncheons.

Carl **Meyer** absent due to some family check-ups at the hospital. The last news from Mrs. (Cam) **Palmer** was that he had closed his law office and that following a session in the VA Hospital in Chillicothe, Ohio, he was taking life leisurely at home. They had hoped to attend the Reunion, but Cam not able to make it.

Clara **Strange** is occupied as First VP of the Mich. Federation of Music Clubs plus jury duty in Grand Rapids. She is still trying to get a pension firmly fixed and still hunting for a nurse (first name "Claire") who attended Walter when he was in the Selfridge Field Hospital in 1935. So far Joe **Daugherty** and the **Barnetts** have been of help but more proof re Walter's misfortune is needed. We have never heard how Ed **McLaughlin** was progressing in the sale of his magnificent country estate (HIDALYAH) located 1½ mi. S of Jacksonville and priced at $65,000.

1925: Tulley and Hv.Wt. contender Riggins.

1925: At Old Grads Formation.

John **Davis** has for years been with the Disaster and Civil Defense Commission in Los Angeles County. He spent some time on job opening boards where 9 out of 10 applicants are retired personnel, (SGTs to MGs) all competing for the same spot. Bill **Kost's** son "Bill" married a daughter of COL Clayton Lyle (Engr) and they have a little son also named "Bill." His daughter Barbara lives here in Arlington (as does Bill #2), and a 2d son is in the Navy at Norfolk.

Evelyn **Sears** recently returned from a visit to Ft. Sill (daughter and family there). Ralph at home "on guard" as robberies prevalent in their area. A big 4-day Horse Show at Sill, on TV (local) color, with caisson ride, tally ho, etc. Their Hunt Club now a member of the Amer. Horse Show Assoc. She talked with Elizabeth **Bird** (she and Jack just back from Mexico City).

Carl **Holcomb** wrote that he knew we'd "blow our top" when we rec'd another address change but that he just got tired keeping up the darned place since Marie passed away and moved to an apartment. His son lives in San Jose, so it's a natural location. Carl sees Ray **Barton** (Pres. of the Peninsula Rtd. Club) and Marcelle **Crombez** (on Exec. Comm.) regularly at Moffett Field where they lunch.

We, personally, are greatly indebted for touring and travel advice from: the **Johnsons, Longs, Clelands, McManuses, Gillmores, Haskells, Gardners** and **Randalls.** We were obliged to hurry our trip in order to return for our little granddaughters over the Labor Day weekend but did manage to visit some 17 households of relatives and friends besides "doing" the Wright-Patterson AFB, the Lakes in NW. Iowa, the Cow Palace (Mitchell, S.Dak.), Bad Lands, Black Hills (in detail), Yellowstone and the Tetons (in detail), Billings and Miles City on the way to family in NE. Mont. Three nights here then Regina, Winnepeg, the Wisconsin Dells (full treatment) and home "post-haste." One of the biggest surprises (and fascinating) was the Hudson Bay Company's 300-year anniversary show north of Winnepeg. Our family Rodeo (which now has a top rating) had been showing in Saskatchewan but was rained out the night we planned to attend. It closes in Oklahoma City (the Finals) 5-13 Dec.

Bill **Nutter** wrote a fine letter of appreciation for the Thoren Music Box we presented to him and for the lovely scroll (by **Crandall**) which was circled with individual pictures of the Washington Group (he mentioned that some of the mugs thereon might interest the FBI!). Their route through Tex. was via the hottest part of the US—daily temperatures of 100 plus at times. They visited friends and relatives en route and finally took a furnished apt. while waiting for what they want as a permanent residence.

Our Class Godson Bruce C. Jr. still living in Arlington and muchly occupied at that big secret up-river (a GS-18). Bro. David, a MAJ MD U. of Texas Med. School '70. Will intern at Fitzsimons. Bro. Gordon, a MAJ, Engr. Ft. Hood, Tex. Sister Elizabeth with husband MAJ A. L. Clark II, USMC (Res) to C&GSC '70.

Mitch **Giddens** passing through with his 2 daughters stopped for a short but enlightening visit. He is fully retired and refuses to give up his golf despite the fact that his motor is inclined to race. He found our hideaway w/o much coaching which was better than C. Dee **Renfro** could do (although C. D. tried to locate us after dark!).

We were a bit surprised that Evelyn **Sears** left Ralph alone at home "en garde" but assume she reasoned that anyone who could defy Skipper Thompson would have enough moxie to frighten away personal hi-jackers. We understand the **Clelands** are at home this summer taking care of family affairs, but the **McManuses** are apt to card in from most any place (now that the Beach Season is about over), and the **Gardners** had already logged 1 big trip this spring to the British Columbia areas.

One of our '24 friends checked on the **Margesons** and reported that Margie is now the #1 Founding Father in his old home town. No word from **Toms** since June Week but we have confidence that he is still barreling down the pike into London at 90 mph as per usual. If you contemplate a trip to Europe this fall, don't try to catch Milt **Hankins** at home without checking all 3 of his addresses first by telephone.

Ginnie and Claude **Black** reportedly home at their new Savannah address. You can expect to see **Bolducs** and probably **Underwoods** at the Penn State Game (also Gus **Farwick**).

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Don't forget to write us about where you went and whom you saw this summer.

We are sorry to report the passing of Aileen Williams at their home in San Diego on 25 Aug.

We were surprised and delighted to see Helen **Geraghty** at our 9 Sept. meeting of the Uniformed Services Retiree's Group at the A-N Club. Seems Helen is now one of the top workers in the Military Wives Assoc. which is headquartered in the Annapolis area. Please take notice of this rapidly growing group as we need it in our Retirees' efforts.

Marie **Dunn** thrilled to have a visit from her dau-in-law and lovely little granddaughter who spent several days here. Russ joined them (from Anchorage) for a few days as he had a business trip to D. C.

Please update our '70 Class address sheet to show: BG Chas. P. **Nicholas**, P. O. Box 6231, Crescent Hill Sta., Louisville, Ky. 40206; Mrs. D. F. **Crosland**, 5614 Del Roy, Dallas, Tex. 75230; Carl **Holcomb**, 3200 Payne Ave., Apt. 709, San Jose, Calif. 95117; Bill **Nutter** (temporarily), P. O. Box 6125, El Paso, Tex. 79906. Who can give an address for Wm. E. **Kerns**?

'26

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Anky, our loyal Scribe, and Connie went to Dublin in Aug. and planned to return in Oct. after touching base in other parts of Europe. The main purpose of the trip was to visit Connie's daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Earle, whose 1st child Valerie was born in May. The Anks have posted a score of 11 in the grandchild derby; 6 for Connie and 5 for Ank. On their way up from Fla., the Anks spent a few days with Mel and Louise **Kammerer** in their delightful home in Tryon, N. C.

We regret to report the death on 3 Aug. of Robert S. W. **Walker**, our L Company classmate during Plebe and Yearling Years, in Mountain Home, Ark. Bob had retired from the Federal Aviation Administration and for many years made his home in Washington, D. C. Interment took place in Rock Creek Cemetery here. Bob is survived by his wife and a brother residing in Ocean Beach, N. C.

The entire Class congratulates our newest grooms, Bill **Laidlaw** and Tep **Barbour**, and we wish many years of happiness to them and to their brides. On 15 June, Bill married Ruth Merrill, the widow of the son of COL D. T. Merrill, Bill's first commanding officer. Ruth was Wilma's best friend in college, and since she also came from the Laidlaw's home town—Cincinnati—they have kept in touch over the years. Ruth has a married son and married daughter, and the **Laidlaws** drove 5,400 miles on their honeymoon visiting all 4 children. MAJ Steve **Laidlaw** has orders for El Salvador and daughter Lois and her husband, LTC R. H. Mackintosh (son of Hugh Mackintosh, 1929) are departing shortly for Heidelberg.

Washington was the scene of Tep **Barbour's** marriage on 1 July to Helen Manley Johnson. Helen is the widow of Max Johnson (1927). The **Barbours** will continue to reside in Washington and plan a honeymoon in Sept. when they will go to Brussels to attend the wedding of Max Johnson Jr. Curiously enough, Bill **Laidlaw** and Tep **Barbour**, along with George **Hickman**, reported to Ft. Thomas together as their first post.

Red **Reeder** has sent in an item which we believe must be a first for our Class. It is from the West Point Daily Bulletin and states that on 12 June 70, a promotion ceremony was held honoring COL Charles D.W. **Canham** II. Young Chuck **Canham** reached home base just a jump before young Walter C. **Stanton** Jr. who was presented his eagles early in Aug. Our heartiest congratulations to both of our young COLS!

Red reports that Dort is a very efficient vegetable gardener, and he wishes he had paid more attention in English class. Come on Red, put your books away and get out and help the little lady!

Three members of the Washington area group were lucky enough to spend the summer in New England. Bill and Frannie **Ennis** were in Newport, where we know without being told that they did a lot of sailing, and the **Purcells** arrived at their home in Bayville, Me., in June. The house was fairly bulging with daughter Louise and family—Mr. and Mrs. Kyanko and their 2 boys, and son Mike, his wife Doris and their 3—Louise, Butch, and John the Wrecker. Frank says it was a regular Boy Scout camp with swimming, canoeing, fishing, and studying crabs, seaweed, and gulls. In 1904, Springfield, Vermont, had a population of about 4,000. In July of that year, one of its most illustrious citizens was born. Keith **Barney** was back there this summer working on his book that records the town's history up to 1961, the 200th anniversary of its founding.

Tommy and Babe **de Shazo's** elder daughter Anne (Mrs. T.E. Robertson) received her doctorate in clinical psychology from Catholic U. here in June. Younger daughter Melek (Turkish for Little Angel), her husband Joseph Willis and their daughter Jennifer were featured in an article about young married couples by Linda Bird Robb in the June issue of the "Ladies Home Journal." Last Apr. Tommy and Babe went to Germany to visit LTC Tommy Jr., where he is commanding a Pershing Missile unit.

Vald and Evelyn **Heiberg**, who now have a home literally on the banks of the Potomac River, spend a good part of their summer weekends on the water. Vald is the pilot of their 15-foot outboard motorboat and enjoys taking guests for a "cruise" while he tows the more adventurous on water skis. Both of the Heiberg sons (Vald Jr. '53 and Bill '61) as well as the 4 oldest grandchildren have "qualified" to ride skis over the wide Potomac. Classmates who have enjoyed cruises include the **Collinses, Ennises, Munsons, Simses, Stantons**, and **Whites**. Two of these characters, who shall remain nameless, enjoyed the cruise so much they dunked themselves in the river! In Aug. the **Heibergs** revisited Ft. Monroe which brought back memories of the time they were stationed at Langley Field in 1940.

Johnny **McFarland** has reported on our 5 classmates in the 3 Northwestern states. He was not able to contact Norman **Matthias** who was probably on a trip. Eddie **Watson** seems to feel the real estate business at present is in the doldrums, what with tight money, high interest rates, and high discounts. Bill and Rosita **Mills** have recently visited their daughter and son-in-law in Portland. Two grandchildren in that branch. Their other daughter lives in Walla Walla with her family of 5 children, the eldest of whom will be going to college this fall. Bill is putting the finishing touches on their summer home in the Blue Mountains about 20 miles away. If Bill needs any advice with reference to painting, plastering, plumbing or wiring, we suggest he get in touch with the Class do-it-yourself expert—Marv **McKinney**.

The **Thurstons** left in Feb. for a 7-month tour in Europe. Their itinerary included London, Amsterdam, and points of interest in Austria, Italy, Yugoslavia, and Greece. Johnny and Kay **McFarland** hosted son Tony (MAJ John A.) during Aug. before their assignment to Kaiserslautern. Their 2d son is project engineer for Zurn Industries in Los Altos, Calif. (Hal **Forde** take note). Johnny is on a board that is attempting to create a museum at old Ft. Sherman, near Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He has come out of retirement and will be teaching again at Coeur d'Alene Junior College.

The **Ankenbrandts** report a recent meeting with Bill and Hazel **Bayer** and Red and Virginia **Corderman** at Redbank, the home ground of the Signal Corps. Red is chairman of the board of directors of Monmouth Community College. You all know that for several years Red was President of the Retired Officers Association, and it was due to his efforts that the effectiveness of the organization was greatly increased. Ralph **Osborne** is chairman of 1 committee of the ROA when they hold the annual meeting in San Antonio this Fall.

Olaf **Pearson**, our golf pro, says he can now drive a golf ball out of sight. Says the drives are no longer, but his eyesight is shorter. Olaf manages to keep busy doing the gardening and keeping his power boat in shape. The **Pearsons'** older son Dick is prospering in the architectural business and also lives in Jacksonville. They have two sons and also 2 sailboats—a Flying Dutchman and a cruising auxiliary sloop. Younger son Roger has just been transferred from Dallas to Tulsa with the Brunswick sporting goods company. They have a son and daughter both of whom are kept busy in competition swimming.

Walter and Louisa **Stanton** enjoyed the summer at Rehoboth Beach. Their house was not empty since young Stan's wife Anne and their 2 daughters flew in from Honolulu to spend a week. Granddaughter Retta was looking over colleges for next year. Young Stan has just been assigned to Honolulu after a tour in Korea. The Stanton's younger son Jae, his wife Annie, and their 4 children also spent 2 weeks in Rehoboth. MAJ Jae is on duty in Washington. The **Stantons** had frequent get-togethers with Johnny and Marge **Roosma** who took a cottage at Rehoboth and were hosts to children and grandchildren.

When Harry **Storke** hung up his mortar board and robes of high educational office, he decided to follow 1 of his favorite sports. He may now be seen regularly from Apr. through Sept. at RFK Stadium, where he has season tickets as a loyal Senator's fan.

Don **Booth** says that in his area (Santa Barbara) there are no classmates, but other classes from 1920 to 1932 have at least one representative. Don and Ro enjoy weekly golfing; and now that the off shore oil slick has disappeared, the bottom fishing from some of the reefs is excellent, and half day fishing parties are much fun.

Ralph **Osborne** reports from Texas: Dick **McMaster** has joined Red **Reeder** as an author. His book "The Caparisoned Horse" has been published. Dick informs us that Harry **Johnson** (who thought he might move to the D. C. area) has arrived in El Paso from Calif. (10,200 Alway, El Paso 79900.) Jimmy **Bur-**

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well has given up the yard chores and transferred to a town house where others are responsible for lawns, shrubbery, and related maintenance headaches. Jimmy's new address: 11,816 Persuasion Drive, San Antonio, 78216. Stag **Stagliano** says age is a creeping giant, but otherwise all is well. We have news for you, Stag, you are not the only one! Egon **Tausch** continues to thrive on his ranch "Still Waters," several miles to the north of San Antonio. Bill **Dean** has so many projects —finance, taxi company, mobile home park, and ranches, that he just does not have time to retire and rest.

Trooper **Doyle** continues as Prof. of Transportation at Texas A & M, a challenging task in this day of crowded streets, crowded airways, fewer trains, and too much hurry. Bob Harper (1924) reports from Harlingen that Johnnie A.H. continues busy with golf and running their ranch. Lew **Griffing** has resigned from his bank job in Lawton, Okla., and is taking life easy with concentration on golf. Frank **Miter** has recently returned from a trip to Portugal and has moved to Tucson. Ralph and Kay **Osborne** received inconsiderate treatment from Hurricane Celia. She removed the roof and porch from their Capano Bay cottage and filled what was left with dirty water. At last report, Ralph was still contracting for the repair job.

Jimmy **Van Horne** reports that this year the Founders Day dinner for their group was held at the Sheraton Hotel in Ft. Lauderdale rather than in Miami as has been done formerly. It was a drag formation with over 150 customers. Another resident of Ft. Lauderdale is Chuck **McGeehan's** brother-in-law, retired Marine BG George O'Shea.

Rod **Smith,** Chairman of the Arrangements Committee for our 45th Reunion next June, reports plans are proceeding favorably. Three out of 4 of those who have responded to his Bulletin No. 1 of last Apr., plan to come. Many good suggestions have been received and will be given every possible consideration, but more than half of the Class has not replied. Rod enters a plea that all who have not yet done so, please return the top section of the form he sent out, indicating whether or not you plan to be there, and also send along any suggestions. By the time you read this, you may already have received a 2d Bulletin. Rod particularly calls attention to the latest information from the AOG fixing the dates for the Alumni portion of 1971 June Week from noon on Wed., 2 June, until noon on Saturday, 5 June. Note that this is a week earlier than the tentative dates stated in the 1st Reunion Bulletin. So mark your calendars "45th Reunion, West Point, June Week 1971, 2-5 June."

Our lunches for the Washington Area group have been quite successful so far this year. We have had 12 or more at each gathering, and on 26 Mar. we invited wives and widows and had a total of 30 present. We plan to include the ladies again, probably in Oct. For those of you who may be visiting this area, our luncheons are held at the A-N Country Club on the 4th (not 3d) Thurs. of the month.

A picture of N.M. booster Peter **Hurd** appeared in the Sept. issue of National Geographic. Said Pete: "I was born here, I expect to die here, and I can't think of a better place to spend the in-between."

The next 3 paragraphs contain Spud **Murphy's** welcome news from the Bay area. Bob and Big **Nourse** succeeded in assembling their family for a reunion this summer. Son Bob '55 with wife Ann and their 4 children came from Newport News and daughter Joan arrived from Seattle where she is studying for her doctorate. Young Bob has been assigned to the AFSC. Brookner and Marge **Brady** took a 747 for a 6-weeks visit to England and Ireland. After touring Cornwall, they went to the Emerald Isle and reestablished contact with Marge's mother's relatives who live near Waterford. The **Bradys** enjoyed a boat trip through canals and the Shannon River, and after visiting Dublin and Galway, they wound up their cruise in Copenhagen.

Dave and Ann **Van Syckle** have recently returned to Rossmoor after a 12,000-mile trip that included Tucson, Key West, Washington, Bar Harbor, and across Canada to Vancouver. They visited Bill and Ev **House** in Fla. and Dave's son Johnny in Conn. Dave and his 8-year-old grandson spent a day touring the Point. Spud and Gen **Murphy** are recovering from a delightful but tiring inundation of grandchildren. Daughter Ann's 3—boys 9 and 7 and girl 4—each spent 1 whole week with the **Murphys.** Spud says there are no zoos, aquariums, marine worlds, museums, parks, playgrounds, and seashores in the vicinity that they did not cover. To rest up, Spud and Gen are leaving on the Canadian Fall Color Tour that includes Vancouver, Banff, Ottawa, Bay of Fundy, Nova Scotia, Cape Breton Island, Prince Edward Island, Gaspe Peninsula, Quebec, and Montreal. While in the East, the **Murphys** plan to drop down to Cleveland Heights to visit son Jerry, his wife Shirley, and 3 of their 4 children. Oldest son Michael is attending Deep Springs College in Calif.

Alex **Sewell** had a bout with the medics, but after a couple of weeks in Letterman, they marked him "duty" and under Ruth's watchful care, he is reported to be recovering nicely. Art **Kirchoff** underwent surgery for the repair of an old aneurism in Aug. and by the end of the month was home and anxious to get back to his gardening chores. Hal **Brusher,** who has successfully defeated 3 heart attacks, is in fine shape although he plays it safe and receives periodic treatment at Letterman.

Freddie and Elsie **Munson** celebrated their 25th on 2 Aug. Their 21-year-old daughter Sheila is in her senior year at the U. of Tenn. Freddy's younger brother BG D.E. **Munson** (1940) retired at HQ 6th Army on 31 July. This is the first time since 14 Sept. 1861, that at least 1 member of that branch of the **Munson** family has not been on active duty.

'27

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It is with sorrow that the Class must be informed of the death of Marcella Driscoll **Upthegrove,** our Fay's beloved Sally, on 27 June, at Olean, N. Y. Uppie wrote that her death was most sudden, following a heart attack on the morning of that date. Burial was on 30 June in the Driscoll family plot, Saint Bonaventure Cemetery, Allegany, N. Y. The condolence of the Class is extended to Uppie and all relatives.

Chuck **Stone** sent in an interesting letter, just a bit too late for the Summer issue, reporting that the Stones "still live in West Los Angeles, play golf at the nearby L.A.C.C., and enjoy having been at one station since 1960." He is still working, after normal retirement date, for Company Abex. The youngest daughter Claudia was married last Dec., but of the "two older products," daughter Gigi has provided 3 grandchildren and son Chico, now a MAJ stationed at the Academy, has provided 2. Chuck ended on an anticipatory note concerning the approaching 45th—a reminder all of us should take to memory.

Dutch **Holland** is apparently busy indeed as a Vice Commander-in-Chief of The MOWW, which, because of its Hq. in the D. C., should get him back East now and again during the year. The Hollands have moved to a new home that they had built in a suburb of San Diego. Dutch reports it "quiet, no traffic, overlooks a golf course, but I look askance at the yard, and it scowls back." Donnie is, of course, "busy in the house," which flaunts everything from "a steam room to music out of the ceiling." The new address is 11980 Adorno Place, San Diego, Calif. 92128.

Puss and Tierra **Whelchel** were welcome Aug. visitors in Washington, for slow but thorough inventories at Walter Reed, but were to depart for their home in Auburn, Ala., just at closing time for these notes. As Puss put it, they are going to "relax and play a little golf."

Announcement is made of the marriage of our Helen **Johnson** to Tep Barbour, USMA '26, in Washington in July. The congratulations of the Class are extended to them. Not long after that, reportedly on 5 Sept., Helen and Max **Johnson's** son Max Jr. was married at SHAPE to Mlle. Paule Ghijsels. Young Max, who has his law degree, after completion of his period of military service as a CPT at SHAPE, has joined the Sup Gp there. The new couple will reside in SHAPE village.

Now for some odds and ends garnered hurriedly, but hopefully accurately, at deadline. Willis and Jean **Matthews** had an early summer cross-country trip to Seattle, including Ft. Riley and Missoula, Mont., to cite 2 spots. Unfortunately, Willis commented, no classmates were encountered. At deadline the **Matthewses** are headed for Europe, much Germany, and especially Vienna, thus continuing another leg of their several planned journeys.

Also traveling westward were Frank and Dorothea **Ostenberg.** In late July they visited daughter Jane, husband of Phil Florence, and the 2 grandsons at Columbus, Ohio, and then continued on to St. Louis to attend the wedding of a great-nephew. Son MAJ Tom **Ostenberg,** USMA '62, was due at Ft. Belvoir in the late fall for a few weeks and then in early Dec. was to be off again to VN.

The Mac **Millers** reported a "generally uneventful, pleasant summer." Mac, Jean, and son Rusty did make their annual pilgrimage to West Hartford, Conn., to visit with Dunc and Din Somerville, USMA '28. Rusty is now a jr. at Washington-Jefferson College. In his 3d year in ROTC there and Secy of his chapter of Kappa Sigma fraternity, he nevertheless found sufficient summer energy to work with an automobile agency in Bethesda, Md.

Bix and Ev **Bixel** have daughter Gay, her husband MAJ Harold J. Bartell USAF, and the 3 sons not too far from Washington, at Shaw AFB, Sumter, S. C. The family had resided in Hawaii while MAJ Bartell was in VN, so a **Bixel** family reunion graced this summer.

Jimmy **Collins,** on one of his many trips to many places, got to the San Francisco area, where he recently mentioned talking by phone with Paul **Berrigan** (sometimes known as our West-Coast Captain Bligh), who mentioned, among other classmates, Chubby **Roth** as a frequent mate aboard the **Berrigan's** Chriscraft **Merry Fey II,** and Woody **Hocker**

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as apparently also aboard, but Gar **Davidson**, however, as "still working." That word **working** had special meaning for Jimmy and Marion as we went toward the press: as of 30 Sept. Jimmy was to join the growing ranks of the re-retired, surrendering the leadership of the American Red Cross which he has exercised for these last several years. The **Collinses** are planning to reside in the Washington Area, probably in nearby Va.

If I may be pardoned a personal reference, ahem, I am slowly becoming accustomed to being a re-retired member of the Class. Quiet yard work, occasional picture framing, and art-show chauffeuring for my artist Lucile, and pleasant trips to Carlisle Barracks, Pa., to visit daughter Jane and AWC student husband LTC Richard A. Miller USMA '53, and 4 granddaughters made for a nice summer.

This past summer was in one important way too quiet! Less news reached the Scribe by deadline than at any other period within his recollection. As you read this, presumably in late Dec., if you have not already done so, spring to pen or typewriter, compose a terse summary of something, find a sharp supporting photo, if possible—and mail it in to this Reporter!

'28

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Since the last issue of ASSEMBLY the Class has learned of the loss of 2 Classmates, Roger **Goldsmith** on 21 June at Patterson Army Hospital, Fort Monmouth, N. J., and Scott **Riggs** at his home in Washington, D. C. Roger had been hospitalized last Feb. with double pneumonia where it was determined that his heart was not functioning properly. Then, following treatment as an outpatient, a virus infection required hospitalization again on 15 June and death followed on 21 June when the illness proved too virulent for Roger to overcome. Since none of us had heard, no member of the Class could be present at the funeral.

Scott **Riggs'** illness was of long duration. He was buried at Arlington on 14 Aug. with the Class being represented by Myrtle and Bill **Billingsley**, Paul **Breden**, Julie and Maury **Crallé**, Ann and Paul **Gavan**, Fred **Maxwell**, George **Mundy**, Jack **Oakes**, Monty **Raymond**, Ned **Sirmyer**, Bob Tate, Jim **Totten**, and Mercer **Walter**.

Bob **Fleming** reported from Calif. in July that Bob **Frederick** was then in Stanford Hospital with a serious heart condition; no further word has been received.

Walter **Staley** wrote that he and Martha had the pleasure over the 4th of July weekend of having Spic and Minita **Nadal** at their St. Croix home. The **Nadals** flew over from their home in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and they had a great time golfing, swimming, and bending the elbow for the Class of '28. Walter reports his retirement from business on 1 Sept. and hopes to get in a lot of fox hunting this fall. They plan to retain their home in Mexico, Mo., but will spend winter months and some of the summer in St. Croix.

From Calif. also came news from Forrest **Allen** that as a result of information in a recent ASSEMBLY he sought out his old roommate Scud **Scudder** now retired from Milwaukee, Wis., and living at Leisure World, Calif. While Wilda served a delicious lunch, they all talked about the old days and the turbulent present. They hadn't seen each other since graduation. Forrest reports that he got caught in the great aerospace cutback and has been unemployed since Jan., although he has been doing some consulting for North American-Rockwell. Patti has been working as a volunteer and is up to her ears in politicking; in fact, says Forrest, he sees her only to say good-bye each morning and hello in the evening. Forrest has also been helping son-in-law John Egbert, President of International Tennis Machines, in promotion of a portable tennis ball throwing machine.

Chris **Nelson** visited Ft. Gordon, Ga., in Aug. for the dedication of Nelson Hall, a new TV and instructional methods building at the Southeast Signal School, in Tom's memory. Chris also had information that Johnny **Grinstead** expects to visit son John Jr. here in Washington soon so we made a call to see if we couldn't time an upcoming Class lunch to coincide.

Bill **Billingsley** handed me a draft of the above notes as he entered Walter Reed Hospital on 2 Sept. and asked me to add what I knew and send them off to meet the deadline. Bill had some serious heart surgery a few days later, and at this writing Myrtle reports that though Bill is still in intensive care, the doctors are guardedly optimistic. The Class owes much to Bill for his long service in our behalf and the hospitality which always obtained at 103 Washington Rd. so there are many prayers for a swift recovery (Bill said by the Virginia game, 17 Oct.!).

—L. E. Seeman

'29

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Association of Graduates. The Class takes great pride in the election of Paul **Thompson** to the presidency of the Assn. and in the re-election of Joe **Colby** to the Board of Trustees and the election to that board of Ed **Lasher**. Class Veep Jupe **Lindsey** has sent a letter of congratulation to each one from the Class, and we hereby express public congratulations to them and to the Assn. for its wisdom and perceptiveness in such splendid selections.

Paul was here in Washington in Aug. and was the Coordinating Comte's guest at a luncheon meeting at the A-N Town Club. He was to be the principal speaker at the fall luncheon meeting of the WP Society of D. C. at Ft. Myer.

When last heard from, Joe **Colby** was touring India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan on a round-the-world trip to show Margaret where he was during WW II. Elephant rides were a big event in Nepal and Jaipur.

Weddings. Bo and Ina **Hubard's** son, MAJ John Bolling **Hubard**, Armor, '60, was married to Miss Margaret Bate Cobb of Louisville, Ky., in the late spring. Young **Hubard** is on R.O.T.C. duty at the U. of Ky.

Jim and Doris **Hannigan's** son 2LT Thomas Upson **Hannigan**, '70, was married in Bryan, Tex., in June to Miss Ann Sandlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole Sandlin of Bryan.

Abe and Freddie **Lincoln's** daughter Joyce was married at the Ft. Myer chapel in July to Mr. Keith Arthur Conrey, a student at the U. of Mich. at Ann Arbor. Joyce will teach in Ann Arbor while the bridegroom finishes his last year of college (delayed by military service). John and Sara **Phillips** came up from Raleigh and stayed with Paul and Della **Caraway** for the **Lincoln** wedding.

Sick and Well List. Charlie **Tench** writes that Tommy **DuBose** had open heart surgery by the famed Dr. Cooley in Houston, Tex., early in the summer. Charlie had talked to Tommy on the phone a few days after the operation, and a good recovery was expected, as was an early return to Winter Park, Fla. Our felicitations and best wishes, Tommy.

Tom **McDonald's** wife Marion has been having to have supine neck traction (like Fred **Dent** had) at the Orlando Naval Hospital, and the **McDonalds** hope, but are not yet sure, that surgery can be avoided. We all hope so, too, Marion.

Larry **Brownlee** has had a couple of bouts with the surgeons at Letterman Hospital, but Johnny **Theimer** says that Larry's fighting spirit remains unimpaired. We all send our good wishes, Larry.

Here in D. C. Freddy **Chaffee** continues to make a good recovery from the polio-like disease that hit him 2 years ago. He is now allowed on the golf course for 9 holes using a car.

From All Over. Weary **Wilson** writes from

1929: The Colbys in India.

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Mobile that a highlight of his and Jeanne's daughter Margaret's wedding in the spring was the presence of Jim and Molly **Winn**. Margaret was to return from Japan this fall, and her husband will follow the 1st of the year and then complete his college education. The youngest **Wilson**, Fred, 1LT, Armor, RA, is in Vietnam. His bride is staying with the **Wilsons** and was expected to present them with their 7th grandchild in Oct. Daughter Ellen's husband is now out of the service and that family is living in Spartanburg, S.C. MAJ W.K. III, '60, is a student at Leavenworth after visiting the **Wilsons** with wife and 4 children age 7 and under. Weary and Jeanne had also had Ellen's children, ages 5 and 6, with them for a visit and so have spent a good part of the summer in highly pleasurable grandparenting.

Army **Armstrong** has retired from his 2d career of teaching at the McCallie School, Chattanooga, Tenn., and he and DeeDee are now at home in their new place at 700 Carey St.

Paul **Harkins**, not content with being technical advisor on the film "Patton," has authored, with the Editors of the Army Times Publishing Co., an informal, pictorial, and very handsome history of Patton's Army entitled "When the Third Cracked Europe."

From the SF Bay Area Gp. Johnny **Theimer** writes that he and Grace were to visit Mexico in Sept. The **McKenzies** and Allene **Viney** went together on an inward passage cruise to Anchorage in Aug., and Chick and Polly **Cooper** made their annual trip to their Ore. cottage. Bill **Hamlin** from Fla. had recently visited the **Coopers**, and a Class group was gathered to celebrate.

Jimmy and Lois **Stephenson** from Fla. visited their son and family in Hillsborough and had the Bay Area '29ers down for a drink and a pleasant evening. The **Coutlees** have moved to Sonoma, where their new address is 114 Merida Dr., 95676.

The Bay Area Gp was to have another moonlight cruise in SF Bay in Sept. and hoped to have Yacht Commodore Charlie **Allan** and Myra from Idaho along with them.

Johnny **Theimer** alleges that on a trip to Benning Paul **Freeman** perfected a trick golf shot—a vertical tee shot—of such spectacular worth that his golfing partner, a pro who gives trick exhibitions, has copied it for his repertoire.

From the D. C. Gp. Fred and Martha **Smith** have bought a house in Terrell Hills, San Antonio, and were to move there in the early fall. The D. C. Gp greatly regrets their departure, but wishes them all happiness in their new location. Fred's replacement on the Class Coordinating Comte is Bozo **McKee**.

Don and Maggie **Graul** have bought a house in Albuquerque, N. M., and will move there when Don retires from COMSAT in the late winter. Maggie's brother, John Honeycutt, '33, has retired there from command of Sandia Base, and the location puts the **Grauls** nearer son Philip in Ft. Worth and daughter Margie in Wyoming, but they will be greatly missed by the D. C. Gp.

The Gp's annual family picnic, held at the Ft. Belvoir riverside club, was a happy and pleasant affair, with a fine meal of barbequed chicken, corn-on-the-cob, and watermelon. Bibs were not provided, but we all emerged relatively unsmirched. Attending were C.G. Red and Marian **Calloway**, up from Fredericksburg; Paul and Della **Caraway**; Pinky and Marion **Conner**, just back from a vacation on Nantucket Island with son George and family; Bill and Marge **Ghormley**; Bo **Hubard**; Abe and Freddie **Lincoln**; Jupe **Lindsey**; Hugh and Bonnie **Mackintosh**, up from Petersburg with their daughter and son-in-law; Bozo and Gertrude **McKee**; Herb and Ida **Milwit**; Nick and Jackie **Nichols**, who were on the return trip from having sold their N. C. beach cottage; Ralph and Bobbie **Strauss**; Marshall and Harriet **Stubbs**; Fen and Linda **Sykes**; Merle and Ella **Thompson**, up from their Winchester place; Bill and Nell **Thompson**; Herb and Dot **Vander Heide**; Slim and Muriel **Vittrup** with son Jack's widow and her 2 young children and their daughter's 2 young children, all of whom enlivened the party.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, Everybody.

'30

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July will have to go on the books as one of our saddest months. On the 3d, Claire **Atkinson** died after a long uphill fight against cancer. Here there is a special sadness, for she and Freddy had looked forward with keen anticipation to attending our 40th Reunion; and up until the latter part of May the doctors had reason to be optimistic, but the scales were weighed against them. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Freddy and his daughter Elizabeth. Less than a week later, on 8 July, Aubrey **Strode** came home late and tired from a difficult law case that he had won for his client, and collapsed with a heart attack that proved fatal. It was a blessing for Thebo that their oldest friends, Sid and Mary **Wooten**, were able to go directly to Bedford and stand by her through the days immediately following Aubrey's death. Sid also wrote a fine obituary article for publication in ASSEMBLY. Then on 26 July Sam **Kelley** passed away, another victim of cancer. His family had been aware of the threat for some time, but it is still a tragedy. Dagmar continues to reside in the home in Kingston, and Sam Jr. (USMA '60), a MAJ in the Signal Corps, is currently on duty with the Defense Communications Agency and lives with his wife and 2 children in Crofton, Md., where the **Bogarts** and **Quinns** also live.

1930: MG Robert H. Booth '30 administers the oath of office to 2LT Robert H. Booth Jr., OCS graduate, at Ft. Benning, Ga., 28 Aug. 70.

We had another scare in early Aug. when Bill (W.H.) **Harris** had what was apparently a mild coronary attack. Fortunately, Nancy was able to get him the necessary emergency attention without delay, and he pulled out of it quickly, to the great relief of all hands here in the Washington area. At last report he was "riding easy."

Some cheerful items from the summer's correspondence: Bob and Connie **Booth** had a hectic but happy 10 days in late Aug. and early Sept. It started with Bob Jr.'s graduation from OCS at Ft. Benning on 28 Aug. and his commissioning as a 2LT; Bob Sr. administered the oath of office, and he and Connie each pinned a gold bar on the shoulders of their handsome son—needless to say, a proud moment for all 3. Incidentally, another member of the same OCS class was Loren Cole, son of Fletcher and Anne Cole ('31); Fletcher also administered the oath of office to his son. The **Booths** then trekked to Glen Rock, N.J., to supervise Bob Jr's wedding to Miss Patricia Ann Connor on 5 Sept. The bride, like her husband, is a graduate of Duke U. It was a special pleasure for Bob and Connie that both their daughters were able to attend the nuptials; Linkey and her husband came on from Calif., where he works for an insurance company; and young Connie and her husband Andy Logothetis drove over from Wilmington, where Andy is a research chemist with Dupont. (Happy coincidence: Sid and Mary **Wooten's** daughter Mary is a teacher at Anatolia College in Greece, the same school from which Andy Logothetis graduated!) LT Booth is taking a course at the Signal School at Ft. Gordon; is slated for another course at Ft. Sill; and thereafter will go to permanent station at Ft. Hood.

Fergie **Ferguson** received a new honor (and concomitant responsibilities) when he was named chairman of the American Petroleum Institute's Committee on Public Affairs. Fergie's career with Sun Oil Co., spanning nearly 40 years—with a 4-year hiatus during WW II when he was an instructor at West Point—has been a steady progression of increasingly important positions. Currently he is Exec. VP and a Dir., responsible for the Corporate Projects Group. His appointment to the prestigious API job is appropriate recognition of his exceptional abilities.

Also notes that Ham **Howze** was the banquet speaker at the National Technical Conference of the Society of Aerospace Material and Process Engineers, held in Dallas in early Oct. Ham is still retained as a consultant by the Bell Helicopter Company.

A project that should engage the interest of each of us is the West Point Fund, formerly known as the Superintendent's Fund. There has been some understandable confusion in the minds of many graduates as to the functions and finances of various alumni groups. Admittedly, there is some degree of overlap in the objectives and purposes of the AOG, the West Point Alumni Foundation, and the numerous regional West Point Societies—not to mention such special groups as the Sylvanus Thayer Award, the MacArthur Memorial Fund, and 1 or 2 others. But there should be no confusion about the status of the West Point Fund: It is a privately subscribed fund, administered by a board headed by the Supe, the objective of which is to finance projects for the Corps of Cadets that cannot be justifiably included in requests for Congressionally appropriated funds.

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The Trophy Point Amphitheater, the Victor Constant Ski Slope, refurbished Cadet guest reception facilities, and support for a wide variety of athletic, cultural and educational programs are among the vital projects that have been financed from this fund. Individual participation need not be on a grand scale —if each living graduate were to give, this year, $1 for each year since his graduation, the fund would be enriched by more than $450,000. With the recent expansion of the size of the Corps and the physical plant at West Point, it is tremendously important that the fund be able to sustain a great diversity of worthwhile extracurricular activities. Contributions should be addressed to the West Point Fund, U.S.M.A., West Point, N. Y. 10996, and are tax deductible.

Another matter, in a sense more personal, is the addresses of widows of deceased classmates. Several times since I first inherited the job of Scribe from Bob **Wood** some 20 years ago, attempts have been made to establish such a list, but at this writing we have only an incomplete one. This was brought especially to my attention by **Bartlett** in connection with his Forty Year Book project. It would be greatly appreciated if each of you would review your personal address book (Christmas card lists, for example) and send me the name and address of any Class widow you know of, whether re-married or not. We do like to include these gals in periodical publications, especially for such events as reunions.

Two final notes in connection with the 40th Reunion: (1) Bart has a few extra copies of the Forty Year Book as a result of the printer's rounding out his production run. Anyone who wants one of these should send a check for $10 to Bart, payable to "Class Fund of 1930, USMA." (2) Both the 40th Reunion Fund and the Forty Year Book Fund showed profits after all expenses and refunds were paid; the former netted $300 and the latter $250. This total of $550 has been duly deposited in the Class Fund (which currently stands at just $600) and the two temporary Reunion Funds have been closed out. On that happy note of financial solvency, all too rare in these economically chancy times, I shall close this column.

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Guess I have enough for a column, so I'll give it a try. Betty and I had a nice summer traveling, though we didn't see as many classmates as we would have liked to for various reasons, mostly changes in plans during our Fla. sojourn. We did see Percy and Margaret **Lash** in New London, N.H., where Percy farms the north 40 while Margaret tends the store on the south end of tract. They have a wonderful house and life up in the north country, but if you do go to see them, please don't say that I sent you. Dick and Ruth **Lawson** are extremely well situated on the shore of Queen Anne Lake near Williamsburg, where Dick has put his artistic talents to work laying railroad ties for a walk to the lock at lakeside. If you want a real knowledgeable tour of Wmsburg, I highly recommend Ruth for a guide.

We dropped in on Hugh and Kay **Harris** in the middle of house-cleaning as they prepared to move to their house on Lake Moultrie. Hugh has left the Citadel, as exclusively reported in this column some time ago, and I am sure that he has left it a much better institution than when he took over 5 years ago. Although he is retiring again from the ranks of the gainfully employed, he plans to keep busy as a member of the governor's commission on conservation. Hugh and Kay took us to dinner for she-crab soup, deelicious. Johnny **Hagood** was, unfortunately, away tending to his automobile museum. Farther down the coast we saw Dan and Mary **Callahan**, Bill and Helen **Cassidy**, and Ad **Dishman** (Alice was in Conn. visiting grandchildren). One of the above-mentioned couples has recently moved, and I give you all just 1 guess. If you guessed the **Callahans**, you were correct. They have just purchased a new house at Cocoa Beach and had just moved in the day before we showed up.

Bill and Helen have a charming place on the water in Indialantic. Bill isn't doing anything at the moment except enjoying leisure. Dan, by the way, arranged for a very interesting tour of the space center. We talked with Charlie and Martha **Hoy**, but since we stuck to the coast pretty much were not able to work in a visit. Charlie sounded fine, but Martha had just returned from the hospital and was not feeling too well at the moment. We called several others on the way down and back, but just couldn't seem to make connections. We did manage to spend an enjoyable evening with Glenn and Mary **Farris** and assorted children and dogs. They are both well and happy and as an aside to Mary, I might say that we didn't find anything open that evening after we visited with our relatives. Gainesville pulls in its sidewalks shortly after 10 o'clock.

There are, unfortunately, some bits of sad news that I must report. Virginia **McNair**, Charlie's wife, died in June. She was buried in Arlington Cemetery. Several members of the Class attended the services. Gene **Hiddleston** died in Atlanta on 4 July after a lengthy period of illness. Bill **Woodward** and Elmo **Mitchell** attended the services at the National cemetery at Marietta. Gretchen **Singles**, Gordon's wife, died in Washington in mid-Aug., and Les **Kunish** wrote that his wife Leonie died on 17 Aug. in Manitowoc, Wis., after a long period of ill health. Leonie was buried in the family plot in Manitowoc. I received a note from Marge Abert, widow of George '38, who said that Marge **Smellow** was in the hospital in Ft. Lewis, Wash.

Shorty and Alice **Rothrock's** youngest boy, Richard, was killed in an automobile accident on 27 July. The services were held in Berryville and several of the Class attended.

Two wedding announcements came my way since the previous column. Maggie **Weber** Jr. was married on 23 Aug. in Oak Park, Ill. to Sharon Ridgway. Curt and Alice **Herrick's** daughter Mary was married on 29 Aug. at Ft. Myer to Robert Maltz.

I don't think I have previously reported this, but at a Class luncheon in Apr. we had our usual democratic (i.e. non-political or you had better be there or you will be elected) election. Andy **Adams**, being in Europe at the time was elected pres., and Steve **Hanmer** was also elected soc. secy. Bill **Hardick** who gave me that bit of news also said that he saw George **Fletcher**, George **Elegar**, and Ham **Peyton** during a recent visit to Carmel. There have been some questionnaires since the previous column, and I'll refer to them below. I have just noticed that Jake **Smart's** secy. transferred me to the USAF Ret. I am sure that it does not mean more net pay, so I'll stay USA for the time being. Rebel **Sams** didn't send in any picture but said that I would receive 1 as soon as he could get 1 of his grandsons to take 1. Chet and Gin **Diestel** apologized for sending the questionnaire in late, but sent in no excuse, because they said I wouldn't believe it anyway. Another card from Bob **Johnston** dated 13 June. Bob had spent 3 days in Manila and was on his way from Brisbane to Hongkong. O.Z. and Allison **Tyler** were treated to a glimpse of the **Queen Mary** when Champ and Chickie **Buck** went through Jacksonville on their yacht; a 4-poster bed in the master suite no less. The questionnaire from the **Bucks** didn't say whether they would come to the Reunion in the ship. If they do, maybe we could have a Class dance on the forward deck. Charlie and Cora **Densford** will come to the Reunion if they have to crawl and will stay until the last dog is hung—At least, those were Charlie's words. I have yet to hear a seconding motion from Cora. I should have put this in before. Maggie and Agnes **Weber** went to Canada in July to inspect a silver mine they have for sale. I presume I will get a commission if it is sold because of this notice, so I'll casually mention the price—one million. Anyone interested contact Maggie.

A couple of new addresses to report. Ken and Jean **McCrimmon** are still in El Cerrito, but have moved to 2500 Alva Ave. in that city. Ken had to spend a stamp to send me that bit of news, on account of the addressed envelope I sent him was lost in the preparations for moving. John and Janet **Berry** have moved from their house into an apartment at 5 Riverside Towers, Apt 202, still in Binghamton. John says he gave away his lawn mower and snow shovel without a tinge of regret. He and Janet did some traveling in June; to Brown U. for the graduation of their youngest Thomas W. **Berry**; To West Point to attend the christening of their youngest grandchild; to Albany to visit Ted and Nina **Parker**, except Ted, whom Nelson had called out to straighten out a traffic jam somewhere between Albany and N. Y. John says he cannot compete with other classmates in numbers of grandchildren, but he does offer the following statistical information. During the first half of 1970, the number of **Berry** grandchildren increased by 100%. Pat and Preot **Carter** disappointed me. I liked their previous address on Kissing Camels Dr., but now they have moved to a mundane 2520 Hill Circle, still in Colo. Springs, 80904. We are all becoming too conservative, moving away from places like Quechee and Kotzgbue.

John **Leary** went to an informal evening affair in Phoenix and met Augie and Fern **Schomburg.** He said they looked like a million dollars. If Fern is the better half as usual, how much does that make Augie worth? Thanks, Augie, for reminding John to send in the questionnaire. John and Pat **Ondrick** are back in Wheeling after 2 years in Europe. They also reported seeing Bill **Cassidy** "yesterday"? J.M. and Alice **Brown** visited Doc **Welsh** and his sister in Marblehead in June. They report that Doc is feeling fine and is interested in attending the 40th. Charlie and Cora **Densford** were visited by Dick **Danek** in June. Dick wants to dispose of some of his property in the San Antonio area, since he really wants to retire. Just to keep the pot boiling, Charlie had some choice words about grandchildren—about amateurs with only 8 or so to boast about.

I do watch Gunsmoke, but I am not normally in the business of saying "Look out be-

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hind you." This is in the nature of a warning to all of you. Deac is on his way home. This warning is especially for Shorty **Rothrock** and for Ding **Carter**. Deac's contract is up, and he is being deescalated back to the States. He said he was told: "They would take care of me," but since he didn't hear the original statement, he can't vouch for the tone of voice or the inflection. He has a new address, as follows: Route #1, Box 853, Anacoco, La. 71403. He is coming home via Singapore, Australia, Bali (you might be sure of that one), Pago Pago, Tahiti, and Honolulu. When he arrives in Calif., he will slip into his Airstream and classmates and friends look out. He hopes to coax Ding **Carter** to take his houseboat more than 10 feet from the dock and make a trip to Pass Christian. Don't say I didn't warn you.

C Square and Jean **Smith** want to come to the festivities next year, but hate to make a firm commitment at this time. Danni **Workizer**, (note the absence of the e on his name, that is probably where the **Callahans** got one of the "es" when they lived in Grosse Pointe so many moves ago) lines up with the frank confession that he just plain misplaced all the papers I sent out in June. There goes another 6 cents out of the Class fund to send another set of papers.

I had very nice notes from Jean **Cusack**, Pat **Hunter**, Marion **Hockenberry**, and Maisie **Beck**. If anyone knows of anyone else who would like to receive the Class Letters, please let me know. And now a word from our sponsors in Fresno, the H Wayne **Tauls**. There is only one thing wrong with the preceding statement, Catherine always says "Don't print that." So I can't tell you about her slight accident and 19 stitches. It must be nice to be married to a man who is structural, civil, electrical, and mechanical. On 2d thought, I'm not so sure. But then if your wife makes funnies like "Two-thirds of our nation now live in or near big cities. The other third is on the freeway looking for the exit." It takes all kinds, doesn't? The trouble is, that after you read one of the letters you begin to talk the same way. I'm also late in thanking C for the sweet little valentine at the bottom of the letter. It was a letter written sometime ago, which is the reason for the valentine. Which I am sure straightens it all out. Catherine suggests that we let Deadeye handle the transportation at the Reunion, since he did that little job at WP during the war. Anybody know what a huey is?

Two bits of late news to add. I talked with Bill **Hardick** on the phone yesterday (12 Sept.), and he told me that John and Janet **Berry** are planning to move to Washington sometime soon. I received a nice note from Charlie and Tommie **Howze** the same day with a picture enclosed of the "old man" and his "beautiful young bride of the past 39 years."

I haven't reached the bottom of the page, but I have reached the bottom of the well of information and my imagination. Keep plugging for the 40th and you'll be hearing more from me soon.

'32

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Our last luncheon at "5C" Pentagon passed by calmly enough considering that due to Frank **Besson's** retirement this was the last of a long series of meetings there. Prices were good, and food and services excellent. Previously some worried voices would moan "what are we going to do when we lose this oasis?" The answer . . . go to the A-N Country Club. You "out of towners" are hereby notified. In this regard we have had an excellent attendance both from those who had to travel some distance as well as the localites, and I can forsee no particular drop due to change of area. In fact, the parking situation will be better, and the price about the same except to "BYOL" in case of need.

In Ken **Zitzman's** addendum he covers some details re the Class gift—the Skeet Range. It is hoped that the detailed letter he sent out will receive a good response from you "outlanders". This project is of importance among the personnel at WP—both officer and cadet. It turned out to be a wise decision.

To the mortuary news given later I will add the death of Zelda **Glassburn**, wife of honorary classmate COL Robert **Glassburn** (deceased) father of classmate Bob **Glassburn** (died P.O.W. Japan).

The above news came from Bill **Williams** who represented the Class at the funeral services. Bill added that his daughter Gail received an M.N.S. from Emory U. on the morning of 15 Aug. and in the afternoon of same day married Mr. Walter Lester of Columbus, Ohio, at the chapel at Ft. McPherson. Pop **Duncan** helped with the arrangements. Bill has turned in his eraser as a high school teacher and is turning into a "boating bum." He reports that Frank **Britton** is a hard working regional dir. of local classmates arranging luncheons and filling in on football news et alia.

Ed **Farnsworth's** letterhead on official paper denotes him as Chairman of the Natl. Committee on eligibility of the Natl. French Contest underwritten by the "American Assn. of Teachers of French." Unfortunately, I have no idea of what the Assn. consists nor what the Natl. French Contest implies. Fill me in for the next issue Ed. He states that when Jim **Woolnough** retires in Oct., he and Aggie plan on settling in the Alexandria-Arlington area leaving poor Ed and Charlie **Williams** as the last of '32 in the Ft. Monroe vicinity. He compiled a list of classmates showing Va. plus D. C. as most populated (46), Calif. (34), Fla. (29), Tex. (20). Uninhabited (17). To broaden the list he added Taiwan, Spain, Lebanon, Nassau, Thailand, and Canada. There's lots more detail which would take a column if included. What inspired you Ed?

Ed **Howarth** sent me some clippings on Bus **Wheeler** and Horace **Bigelow**. Both clippings have excellent pictures that, sad to relate, are not capable of being reproduced. The "Philadelphia Inquirer" in a series of excerpts reports Bus' ideas on global affairs such as the Arms Race, ABM sites, Soviet strength, etc. A Cape Coral paper lauds Horace as the principal speaker on last Memorial Day celebration conducted by the War Veterans Council. A gathering of several thousand attended.

After many weeks of trying to reach Frank **Jamison** to inquire about football tickets etc., we learned that for about 2 months Claire and he had been in the home they built last Fall near Eglin AFB between Panama City and Pensacola. Part of Frank's stay there was interrupted when he accompanied his daughter North for major surgery. Claire remained to take care of the 3 grandchildren, and then father and daughter returned for her recuperation at their Fla. home. The **Jamisons** are back in Alexandria and their daughter and family back in Pa.

The television interview of Jay **Morris**, son of Joslin and Luke on Channel 7 on McCaffrey's "Closeup" program 1 summer Sunday, was certainly an indication that this handsome young man is destined for a dynamic future. He is Chairman of the Prince Georges Citizens for Charter as well as Pres. of The Young Republicans of Md. In this latest TV appearance he was representing the Citizens for Charter. An empty chair was noticeable, and it was pointed out that approximately a dozen of the opposition had been invited to debate Jay on the matter, but no one would accept. Luke and Joslin are presently on a business trip to San Francisco.

In July we drove to Conn. for the annual **Davidson** Clan reunion in Woodbridge, and after a week on the Conn. shore Dossi drove on to N.H. and Mass. to visit old friends and our son Bill. While in the Wellesley area visiting a schoolgirl friend, she telephoned Dot **Lincoln** who reported a houseful of grandchildren and decorators (professional type). Also talked with **Desch** who reported that Eleanor and Jim **McCormack** had been his houseguests a week before and that **Desch** might be making a trip in the near future to this area. One of the most pleasant moments—or evenings of Dossi's visit in New England was having dinner with son Bill as guests of a most congenial host Chester **Hammond** at The Country Club in Brookline. It was a beautiful evening, and cocktails and dinner on the Terrace were delightful. We hope Chester will make a return call when he is down this way.

A recent note from La Trelle **Duncan** mentioned an enjoyable vacation in July but in addition—her delightful sense of humor prompted her to inform us that Pop's boss had named the new baby Chimpanzee La Trelle!! Other news was that Jim and Ann **Massey** were there in Atlanta for a Mutual Fund Convention. Jim has recovered from his heart attack, and Ann looks wonderful. They plan on selling their home in Cape Coral and expect to buy a condominium in Ft. Myer, Fla.

Ken **Zitzman** followed through on Claire **Jamison's** suggestion of chartering a bus to attend the ARMY-U. of Va. football game in Charlottesville on 17 Oct. He has done a bang-up job, and the latest word was that 40 would attend leaving from Ft. Myer Chapel parking area to be joined at the stadium by Peggy **Adams** and Charlie **Williams'** party of 4. More about this after the game!

The following is from Ken Zitzman: John and Fran **Pugh** have again invited all Classmates and wives worldwide to their 3rd Annual Off-Yr. Class Reunion at Little Fiddlers Green, their lovely farm in nearby Va. at mid-day on Sun., 13 June. It is being announced this early to give ample time to those who are planning trips East this summer to include it in their schedules. Last yr. there were over 70 coming from homes spread from N.H. to Fla. and indications are that there will be more at the next 1.

In July, Pat and I spent a weekend at WP to show our daughter who was visiting us from Tex. some of the scenes of her migrant childhood and to try to get our grandson hooked on USMA. Took the occasion to visit Camp Buckner and see the Cadet Skeet Range which was built as a result of our Class gift at our 30th reunion. I was thoroughly briefed by key personnel, saw it in action, and the results of the range should be gratifying to all. It gets a good

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play the yr. around, and the cadets field a team which officially represents USMA. The team makes 5 trips a yr. and during the past season won the Natl Intercollegiate Championship at Iowa City, firing against 16 other colleges including the AF Academy.

In late summer, we sustained a particularly painful double loss among the ladies within days of each other. Helen **Manhart**, after reorganizing and carrying on so gamely after Ash's totally unanticipated cancer killed him last Dec., died even more suddenly from a heart attack 8 months almost to the day later. Memorial Services were held at Ft. Myer after which she was interred with Ash in Sedalia, Colo.

In New Orleans, Lil **Davis** finally succumbed after a long, courageous and extremely painful bout with cancer. Following the Class practice of memorializing every classmate and his wife when they pass on, we sent donations to the branches of the American Cancer Soc. in their home cities.

On the brighter side, 2 of our junior ladies were married to bring 2 attractive young men into the family. Danny and Ruth **Campbell's** daughter Ruth was married to Edward H. Austin Jr. a tall, good looking guy out of San Antonio via Tulane where he was the Middle Atlantic Clay Court Tennis Champ. Of '32 at the Sulgrave Club reception were the Luke **Morris'**, Frank **Jamisons** (Danny's roommate at Flying School at Randolph in '32), Pat and I. Ed Austin Sr. still lives in San Antonio where he knows Dick and Helen **Coiner** well. 2 months later on a visit with the **Pughs** and others to the **Campbells'** farm deep in the woods 50 miles from Wash. saw young Ed in action on the tennis court and surprisingly enough, your classmate Danny who still strokes the ball with authority.

In mid-Aug., Ginger **Kelly** married Mr. Fred A. Hewitt at a small family wedding in historic Christ Church in Alexandria. After the honeymoon, Joe and Dinny gave a large reception at the Bolling AFB club for the young couple. Fred is a nuclear engineer, and they are now stationed at Eglin AFB, Fla.

Rush **Lincoln** reports a new and interesting vocation. He is VP of Heritage Health Centers, Inc, Boston, which finances, designs, and builds all types of medical facilities. Rush is responsible for administration of all projects starting with the building permits, through the design and construction, until he hands it over to the operators and says, "It's your baby."

When our leading Republican politician Honey **Whalen** completes his regular 4 yr. term as Md. delegate this Fall, he intends to relinquish that "safe" seat and run for the State Senate which will be a fight. Good Luck, Honey.

In the line of Class business, I visited Ed **Howarth**, our sterling treas., at his office in Harrisburg and was duly impressed with his operation. Ed is Comptroller of the Pa. Dept. of Education with a staff of 150, a roomful of computers, and a budget of $1.2 billion which keeps him on his toes fiscally while handling the '32 Class Fund. Among other things, I admired the view from his office in the new Exec. House whose higher stories are given over to upper grade living apartments.

At the Class luncheon 2 weeks later, Ed told a rare story indeed, of the view he had seen from his swivel chair 2 days before. Seems a resident on the 8th floor confused himself with a B-52 and without so much as a "bombs away" started heaving furniture out the window. Ed suspected something unusual when a dining room chair went past his window, then a fairly sizeable table which landed with a crash below sending out a secondary emission of splintered legs into the street traffic. Floor lamp followed mixmaster and when by some miracle a large mirror fluttered down without breaking, a well placed table lamp made a direct hit causing a spume of glass that almost reached the cheering crowd across the street. The last thing Ed saw leave the apartment above (going down the inside) was the Berserk Bomber in a straitjacket.

And so passed a quiet day in the bucolic town of Harrisburg on the picturesque Susquehanna river in the lovely rolling hills of southern Pa.

And there can be no more fitting way to close than to salute the retirement of 3 outstanding classmates. At this writing the ceremonies of Frank **Besson** and Jim **Woolnough** are still to come so we'll devote this to Bus **Wheeler** who made history again. Before 1,500 individually invited guests in the huge hanger at Andrews AFB, Sec. of Def. Laird made an address that was the finest tribute an officer could receive. He also read a personal message to Bus from Pres. Nixon who was in Calif. at the time. Bus served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs longer than anyone else (6 yrs. to the minute), received DSMs from the Army (3rd), Navy and AF, and a few days later was the 1st recipient of the newly established Dept. of Defense DSM.

A nice farewell after exactly 42 yrs., give or take an hour, from the time he double-timed through the North sallyport as New Cadet Wheeler.

'33

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These 2 pictures attest to the "joining of the Long Gray Line" this june of 2 more '33 sons as reported in this column in the last ASSEMBLY.

Also reported was the retirement of Tom **Moorman** as Supe of the USAF, and here is a picture proving that he did not retire for physical disability. **Summerfelt** was there and reports: "At the review, USAF C/S Ryan pinned a 2d DSM on Tom. The lines of the Cadets were not quite as good as M Co. **Chapman, Stenter, Boswell,** Cal **Smith,** and **Disosway** were also there. Later at the reception we saw Miss Atha and the new Supe, LTG A. P. Clark (USMA '36). Tom has taken a position in Colo. Springs with the AF Foundation." Milt adds: "3 days ago I was on an unsuccessful flight off a painting ladder —no broken bones and Val is taking beautiful care of me." Guy and Ginnee **Lothrop** are enjoying their hillside farm—"We don't farm it, just enjoy it. Oldest son Jim is with Proctor and Gamble in Cincinnati and soon moves to a new location, known only to God and the boss. Son Doug is being groomed for treas. of a Rutland bank." **Sweeting** writes that Eva is "in Oslo visiting her mother—where the Norwegians make a big thing of celebrating birthdays that mark the decades of a lifetime." **Gibbs** writes that **Chapman's** correct address is: 32 Penrose Lane, Colo. Springs, Colo. 80906 and felt that the Class would want to know of the recent death of Chappie's brother James R. (Bob) who entered USMA with

1933: LTG Thomas S. Moorman.

us but was found. **Messersmith** is "terminating my employment with United Van Lines." He and Dottie now live in Sun City, Ariz., at 10627 Roundelay Circle, near Phoenix where he may work part-time in the field of transportation and "I can keep in trim to play 18 every now and then." **Honeycutt** and his Mary moved to a house in Albuquerque "about 10 min. from Sandia Base. She hopes to graduate (from the U. of N. M.) next June. I continue to keep busy cooking, shopping, trying to hit golf balls, and building fiddles. My sister Margaret and her husband Don Graul (USMA '29) have purchased a house here which they plan to move into next Mar."

Paul and Betty **Walters'** son Bob (USMA '64) was killed in VN on 27 June. Many classmates attended the funeral services at Arlington. Betty writes of the kindness and support from both '33 and '64; and especially Bert and June **Sparrow.** "Our 9-yr.-old grandson is with us for 2 weeks; his father MAJ Jim Walters (USMA '59) is in VN, where it is 'hot, hot, hot—lots of mosquitoes and one inch of water in our bunker.' The family here celebrated Paul's birthday 8 Aug. with a cook-out. Doctor-to-be Michael came from Richmond to DO the steaks." Kay **Plapp** writes: "I've been doing secretarial work and love it, but think I'll stop—too much to do at home before I start selling the plantation." **Van Way** is with the Dept. of Public Works (San Francisco) where "the work is rewarding in 'doing' as opposed to 'dreaming.' Valerie, senior, has taken up golf to the point of losing her status as a golf widow. The Presidio course sees **Lonning** from across the by, **Herb,** a member of the dawn patrol which sweeps the dew off the greens, and **Tripp** who also digs a divot. Jules **Richardson's** Hallie gave him a most enjoyable birthday party—all local classmates were there to wish him a speedy recovery from a stroke. He is doing remarkably well. Hoy and Rosamund **Davis** have moved to Rossmore, a beautiful community." In May, Bill and Marge **Ryan** were on their way to Fla. "Just for luck" they stopped at the Charleston AFB and were told they could board a plane leaving in 10 minutes for Madrid. They were ready; climbed aboard; spent 2 weeks in Spain; and returned by a SAC plane; and continued to Fla. At our 24 June luncheon C/S Westmoreland (who was a Plebe in C Co. when Hurly

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was a First Classman) announced **Hurlbut's** retirement (on 1 July) and presented him with his 3d DSM. The temporary address is: 4440 Lindell Blvd., Apt 603, St. Louis, Mo. 63108. Treas. **Pope** was able to get the floor long enough to announce that the Class fund now has $4003.49. Hadley and Hester **Richardson's** daughter Gale was married on 13 Aug. to Kenneth G. Ritter.

Sellers wrote a good newsy letter, part of which follows: "On 5 Aug. Olive and I celebrated our 36th yr. together; that night our son Bob called from Chicago to tell of the arrival of our 9th grandchild—quite an anniversary present. Bob is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and wants to become a full-time lay minister. They have 1 other child. (In addition to Bob they have 3 daughters and a total of 10 grandchildren.) Bill and Dora **Due**, we're breathing down the back of your necks! We went to the party for Jules **Richardson** given by Hallie (what a gal!) who has hard-to-understand speech and is confined to a wheel chair. Lastly and most importantly—I was a diabetic and a heart patient; on 12 May '68 I was touched by God and as a result my blood chemistry returned to normal, I received a 'new' heart, and my blood pressure dropped to that of a healthy 21-yr.-old." **Boswell** writes: "Tom and Miss Atha **Moorman** should come by for a visit. Pat and our daughter spent a month in Ethiopia last spring. Our 2 boys are growing up absurd like their peers; thank God there are none younger. In Oct. we are going on a junket to London, Paris, Dublin, and Ga." **Breit** has retired from RAC which he joined 6 years ago. He and Nancy are living in San Antonio where they were married 36 yrs. ago. Wag **Kleitz** is spending a yr. in France at Ivoir on Lake Geneva. **Rothwell** forwarded a news column telling of a star-studded party in La Jolla to announce the engagement of Bill **Baumer** and Mrs. Peggy O'Neill Siegner. Billy **Harris** gives a run-down on our San Antonio group—**Due** seems to be recovering well after a pretty awful ordeal; he came to our last luncheon. **Frentzel** starts on the last course for his MA. **Damon** says he and Betsy are trying to trade houses; she later wrote: "Our new address is: 132 Grant Ave., San Antonio 78209." **Dahlen** reports: "Tommy and I visited Panama for 3 wks.; then to Chile, Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, the Canary Islands, and finally to Madrid." **Greco** says: "Right now I don't even have a job to brag about." **Blanchard** chairs the USO drive and is being helped by **Dahlen** and **Frentzel. Tieman** says: "We will soon be on our way to Mexico for a 30-day visit." **McClelland** is touring Russia. Cal **Smith**, a Dir. of a Colo. real estate concern, writes: "We had Linda, John, and their 3 with us in June; young **Ito** is about to descend on us with 4 French deaf friends—my French is poor, and my use of sign language isn't so good—so imagine the challenge; Decey just finished a summer course; we had to get up at 5 to get him to a 9:00 o'clock class. Besides real estate I am running my mother's orange ranch —to date, both projects have resulted in tax deductions." **Travis** writes: "I can't conceive of a more perfect setup for the fun side of life than Holly and Paul **Helney** have; his marine RR brings out his 42′ yacht like it was a row boat. I have read several books on tape for the blind. Elsie has taught Alice, our 7 foot alligator, to come to the bridge for food." Pick and Sally **Vidal** are "saving vacation for a Panama trip this winter." **Pope** and his Janie Pi are vacationing at their Cape Cod place where they'll be visited by Bing and Bimby **Downing.**

1933: Left to right: GEN Moorman, GEN Disosway, John Disosway, GEN E.A. Chapman, and GEN F.G. Smith.

1933: Cadet Terry White, Red White, and Broshous, 1 June 70.

Kathy **Sparrow** was married to CPT John L. Cotton USAF with a civil ceremony in Saigon and later a religious ceremony in Japan; they are now at his station in England. Bert and June gave a reception for them when they came back to the ZI. **Rayburn** writes from his Ballinamore House, Ferne, Co. Wesford, Ireland: "We return to England in Sept. and plan to move here permanently next July. I was the only '33er at the Founder's Day dinner in London. **Mullins** is in Philadelphia for a yr. after which he'll return here and retire." Kay **Starbird's** book, "The Lion in the Lei Shop" begins with Pearl Harbor and should be of particular interest both timewise and author-wise; it comes out in mid-Oct. **Welling** writes from his vacation home at Lake George: "This is a remarkable stretch—the area has scarcely changed in the 16 yrs. we've known it. The water is drinkable without treatment!" **Carver** notes that all goes well with his AER, and "Herbie and Kay **Plapp's** daughter and her husband MAJ B. F. Stout (USMA '57) were our houseguests recently; he is assigned to **Starbird's** SAFEGUARD project." Pres. **Kaiser** writes: "Just returned from a delightful trip to England—and regret to report that we were defeated (in the shooting matches) by the British. Parties every night—we should have sent a drinking team to share the load. I am now getting ready for—Perry." **Wagstaff** and his wife announce the birth of their daughter Michelle on 21 Mar. Richard D. Myers, **Blackie's** son who entered USMA this summer, found the place not to his liking and departed 15 July. So, we now have no sons at WP; 61 have graduated.

'34

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It is my sad duty to report the death of Bill **Voehl** on 25 June '70 in Valley View Hospital, Ada, Okla. of a heart attack. Bill had been hospitalized for other treatment when he suffered the heart attack. Funeral services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Davis, and a military honor guard from Ft. Sill served as pallbearers. Bill was interred in Arlington Natl. Cemetery with full military honors. He is survived by his wife Carolyn, his daughter Valerie, his son Bill Jr. and a granddaughter and grandson Denise and Steven **Voehl.**

1934: Jim O'Hara, Hal Edson and Bob MacDonnell at a recent Washington '34 Class outing at A.P. Hill.

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I still have heard from only 56 of you classmates concerning publishing a Class Book prior to our 40th Reunion. If I don't hear from a lot more of you soon, we will have to forget the whole idea.

Frank **Caufield** writes that he is now half way through his 2d retirement. He is a VP for the Bank of America in the San Francisco area.

Pop **Warner** writes that he, E. O. **Davis**, Ken **Cunin**, and Bill **Fogg** still represent '34 in the Columbus, Ohio area. **Cunin** has retired a 2d time, but **Davis** and **Warner** are still plugging away at administrative jobs at Ohio State U. Bill **Fogg** is something of a big shot with the State Highway Dept. They see J. J. **Davis** and other West Pointers at the monthly meeting of the WP Society of Central Ohio. The Horace **Sanders'** visited the **Warners** in Jan. when they were returning to Okla. from a visit to their daughter in Conn.

Fred **Weis** ex '34 is back in the fold again. He has paid his dues and sent a contribution to the WP Fund. Fred works for AVCO in Dover, N.J. Glad to be back in contact, Fred.

Tom **McCrary** says he and Bill **Cunningham** live close together and see each other often. Jerry **Higgins** says there is not much to report from the Calif. desert. He hasn't seen a classmate in many moons. Hank **Neilson** says they are all fine "down Mex. way". Sees Bill **Gross** once in a while—reports he is fine and active in real estate.

Bill **Revie** likes Martinsville, Va., except for the grass. Says he just cut an acre all on the side of a hill and wishes he was in the hay business.

Johnnie **Diefendorf** in a recent note to Bill **Kern** passes on his and Janet's regards to all classmates. John and Janet see Pete and Evelyn **Ward**, Jerry and Muff **Blair** and the Dave **Routh's** frequently in the Hampton Roads area. Johnnie is engaged in finishing off the 2d floor of his house to include a hobby room. Says it's hard work but that and yard work keep him in good shape.

Seems like I've mentioned everyone except the **Fellenzs'** so I'll take "writers license." A yr. ago Mary and I bought a new yr.-round vacation home in Ocean City, Md. It's on the bay 5 blocks from the ocean with our own swimming, boating, fishing, and crabbing. Mary spent the entire summer there, and I went down weekends and for my few days of vacation. Mary was rarely alone, however, with all the kids and grandkids (7). Ultimately, when I retire from Monsanto Co., we plan to spend 6 months there and 6 months someplace else away from Wash. Any suggestions?

Please write and give me some news about what goes on. Just a hand written note on scratch paper will help, and I need help!

'35

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There have been at least 3 reassignments. Ralph **Haines** has been ordered home from USARPAC to take over at CONARC. Hart **Caughey** left Wash. to join Hq Fifth Army, and Autrey **Maroun** came home from Bangkok to join the Office of the Army Comptroller. He and Amy have bought a new home at 6322 N. 22nd Rd., Arlington, Va.

There were half a dozen retirements during the summer. LTGs **Alger, Boyle,** and **Rich,** and MGs **Gibson, Murdoch, Ruhlen,** and **Schlanser.** The **Alger** retirement party was a grand gala affair with honors presented by the Army C/S in person. After vacationing in Maine, Jim and Consuelo will live on their "spread" at Ranchos de Taos, N.M. George **Ruhlen** sends new address 510 Cave Lane, San Antonio, Tex. 78209.

1935: On the reviewing stand at a retirement at HQ Fourth U.S. Army are, left to right: MG George Ruhlan and MG Elmer J. Gibson, classmates at West Point who are retiring, and another classmate, LTG Harry H. Critz, Fourth U.S. Army CG.

Helen **Tucker** writes from 323 Grove St., Charleston, S.C., that their eldest son Jeff resigned from the Army as a CPT last Jan. and is now with Shell Oil in Boston. Glenn, the next oldest, is an E-5 graduate of the Army Language School in Polish and is ordered to Germany to finish his enlistment. Scott **Tucker,** next in line, graduated from The Citadel last June, was married the day after graduation, and entered active duty with the AF as a 2LT. After 8 weeks at Keesler he is to be stationed at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho. The youngest Chris is 13 and with Helen at home.

1935: Standing on the reviewing stand are: left to right, MG Francis J. Murdoch Jr., LTG Harry H. Critz, CG of Fourth U.S. Army, and MG Joseph R. Russ, succeeding GEN Murdoch as Dpty CG for reserve forces.

Jack **Rhoades** came through Wash. early last summer. He regretted missing the Reunion but enjoyed seeing a few classmates and wives here. Jack lives with younger son Stanley at 1201 W. McGaffy St., Roswell, N.M.

Bob **McDonald** also made a visit East. Bob's mother Mrs. R. C. McDonald lives just a few blocks north of Walter Reed Hospital. It became a fair-size family reunion with the gathering of Admiral and Mrs. Lucian McDonald from Norfolk, Henry McDonald down from N.J. where he is a VP with Bell Labs, and son MAJ James **McDonald** down from Aberdeen with his wife and 2-yr.-old son. Even though he lives in El Paso, we found that Bob still loves to sail a boat.

A letter from Stan **Johnson** reports that he and Bobbie are still enjoying life in the Far West. The accompanying picture shows 1 of the ways they do it. Note bicycles, canoe, wheels, and mobile home. Bobbie is also involved in ceramic shops locally and in Monterrey, and Stan teaches physics and math in a private school. He went down to San Diego State College for a summer course in Astro-Physics. They are 4 times grandparents and say it is nice to "go" and see the kids. Stan says life starts at 50. He and Dan **Daly, Deak Moore,** and Jack **Sherden** try to get together once a month.

Bud **Russ** sent in the fine photo of Frank **Murdoch's** retirement and reports that the **Ashmans,** the **Ingrams,** the **Riemenschneiders,** the **Ruhlens,** and the **Stillmans** also participated in that event. He says Frank plans to tour the world (quickly?) and then attend Tex. A&M for a Master's Degree in Animal Husbandry. The elder **Russ** son Joe Jr. returned from VN last June after commanding an engr plt there for a yr., and has now returned to civil life with his consulting engr firm in Atlanta. The younger son Bill finished a yr. with the 173d Abn in VN and returned in Sept. Their youngest, daughter Lynn, was married recently and has promised Bud and Fran their 1st grandchild next spring. Bud **Russ** is the only 1 in our Class that I know of who has followed the suggestion of our

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1935: Stan and Bobbie Johnson, June 1970, Carmel Valley, Calif.

sagacious ex-chairman Hank **Thayer** in preparing his own final write-up for the ASSEMBLY, complete with 8x10 glossy photo. I did not ask for the job of safeguarding such valuable documents, but I can find no reason why the historian should not do this. Accordingly Bud's is filed.

Since about a month after the Reunion, Charlotte **Rumsey** has been seized by her old trouble, back pain. After several weeks of this, out and then in Walter Reed, she decided it couldn't continue. She now has a neck fusion to pair up with her lower back fusion of 25 yrs. ago. It appears to be solving the problem, but we will know more when she gets the cast removed in Oct. and still more in Dec. when she sheds the collar. The cast runs from waist to near top of the head and is called by the "trade" a Minerva.

Jack **Davis** noticed that during the absence of marketeer Joe **Anderson** from his office, attending the Reunion, the market rose some 56 points. It is reported that Joe accredited this to his pretty secretary operating the store in his absence. Jack has also noted that when Joe returned, the market plummetted. With this phenomenon in mind Jack has now magnanimously offered, for the benefit of himself and other stockholder classmates, to lure Joe away from his office on a continuing basis even to the extent of sending plane tickets to come be a guest in the **Davis** household.

'36

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Hello '36ers, wherever you are! The newsiest item for now is the 1st **Class of 1936 Golf Tournament** which is being held 10 Oct. at Whispering Pines, N.C. (**Covington** is mayor of city) but which will be ancient history when you read this. **Broyles, Covington, Dickens, Katz,** and **Page** deserve big **bravos** for initiating, organizing, and putting on this great example of the remarkable and unmatchable "Spirit of '36." Those planning to attend were: couples—**Broyles, Covingtons, Dickens, Dorlands, Hiesters, Katzes, Packs, Pages, Westmorelands,** and **Turnages**. Stags were **Gage, Holton, Kelly,** and **Snyder**.

Regarding another long awaited and looked-for event, Gordon **Austin** is in high gear preparing for our 35th Reunion at WP in '71. He's already engaged a motel, and more details will be in the mail to you—again, maybe before you read this.

Heard from Mary **Brimmer** who says son CPT John G. is in medical corps in VN and married to an Army nurse, 1LT Elaine W.B. Mary was Vassar '36 along with Ethel **Crockett** and Julie **Abrams**. Jack **Chileses** have reported a retired address at 119 N. Missouri St., Liberty, Mo. 64068.

In June had pleasure of attending the wedding of young Don **Christensen** and Bonnie Rea here in Atlanta. Kay had dinner with us afterwards and visited Club 50. Later she went to San Antonio and attempted to "dig up" or "out" some Classmates. She had no luck on **Bells**, whom she thinks have moved to San Frisco; **Lockhart** and **Bartella** didn't answer; and Ed **Leach** has retired—no longer with Jack Tar Hotels.

In Aug. had a breakfast with Bill and Betty **Connor** who were on their way back to Charleston after a visit to the Black Hills, S.Dak. We talked of Reunion Biz. Got picture of Hap **Dalton** surrounded by a bunch of boxers. He still seems to think the economic future of my son Father Phil ought to be promising (with a little coaching by Hap and the father of the Father). Some of you doubtless can report receiving numerous **chain-letters** in recent months. I certainly have but should like to comment that I see no ASSEMBLY newsworthiness to same when unaccompanied by nothing more than a Classmate's name xerox'd to the bottom of a long list.

Fr. Phil has reported to duty as a hi-school teacher of Marist students in Cleveland, and I have asked him to ascertain whereabouts of Ben **Davis** since he gave up his job as that city's safety dir. Ken **Dawalt** sent in a fine picture of him receiving DSM from Westy while Karie gazed with approval. Gil **Dorland** was in town the end of July, and we "lucked into" contracting and checking in at Club 50, 1st time since Honolulu '38. He's putting up (when strikers **let up**) a large building here in north Atlanta. Long letter from Howell **Estes**. He and Nan have bought in Atherton, Calif. Walt **Faiks** announced in June his starting of a law practice—Edwards and **Faiks** in Ft. Lauderdale. In July took Jean and attractive daughter Christine to lunch here in Atlanta. They were shopping for their candle shop in Fla. Spent couple of hours with Bob **Fergusson** early July. He's on corporate staff of Dart Industries headquartered in L.A. They make and sell drugs, home furnishings, plastics, and own Liggett and Rexall drugs. Charlotte and he are renting both in L.A. and on Pebble Beach for the present. He still owns his home in Carmel which is now rented by someone. It is understatement to say that he, **Hayes'** and **Estes'** are enthusiastic about where they've retired (I'm envious, too). I presume that Nonnie and Johnny **Heintges** are well relocated in Turkey, CENTO Comdr. A contributing editor from Rome by same name as undersigned sent news that he entertained the **Hesses** at a beautiful, bucolic picnic celebrating her birthday, Roman-style. As stated in last ASSEMBLY the **Hesses** celebrated their 15th? wedding anniversary with Homeric and Virgilian peregrinations on the fabled Aegean and Adriatic. Henry **Katz** reported that Duke and Durham are the nicest places he's ever lived. He says he greatly enjoys teaching at Duke and being "a little fish in a big pond." Have received much correspondence from the Jack **Kellys** prior to their Atlanta arrival, but now this is no longer necessary as they are about to get well situated right here and in a "smashing" house as Jane calls the almost-new former interior decorator's home. I can agree, and the only difficulty observed was that the builder overly accented attractive design and may have "short-changed" on airconditioning. However, this latter will be soon forgotten as temperatures ease below 80's. Jack has already set himself up in business, representing a natl. co. selling home alarm systems. His local name is Ga. Security Systems, Inc. Another Carmel dweller is Bill **Kinard**; new address Country Club Dr., Carmel Valley. **Lamperts** wrote of contacts with Class and pictures to remember same. Westy was in Ryukyus in July; then Gerrie and Jim went up to Korea and visited Mike and Mary. Bill **Yarborough** visited in June (see pic). Bob **Partridge** wrote that in a yr. or 2 he and Tuck will leave Buffalo and come south and start building their home at Hilton Head. I heard from "someone" that Dick **Ripple** had been fishing off Ak. in June. The Class heard with sadness of the passing of Sue **Shea** 31 July. Len and she had suffered for past many months. We are so very sorry. Received a long news report from Bruce **Palmer**. He adds the following: To celebrate the **Kelly** retirement he gave a boat party, and Ted **Clifton** and Gordon **Austin** attended with the **Kellys**. Later there were 2 golf games in which **Austin** and Bruce lost to Ted and Jack. Bruce gave a luncheon upon Ken **Dawalt's** retirement. Present also were Hank **Benson** and Ted **Clifton**, again. Bev **Powell** was in Wash. in the Spring. He, together with **Evans** and **Yarborough** will retire in July '71. **Heintges'** retirement date is for Dec. next yr. Jim **Lampert** is especially well thought of by our Defense and State people according to Bruce. The **Palmers** had a chance to visit Hilton Head and the **Holderness'** in Aug. Bruce hopes to attend the ARMY-Baylor game in Sept. Young Butch **Palmer** and his father drove to U. of Miami, Fla., where the son will be a freshman this yr. Daughter Robin and family were visiting in Aug. for a couple of weeks.

From Bill **Shuler's** news files: Ted **Janof** wrote that he has a new address at 4020 Clover Valley Rd., Rocklin, Calif. The monthly Wash. Class luncheons started up again 24 Sept. These very important gatherings the last Thurs. of every month are the finest morale "keeper" and "booster" the Class entertains, and there's absolutely no doubt by anyone that Bill **Shuler** is the gruff coordinator and promoter of these worthwhile meetings (Libby's lovely, ladylike assistance is also indispensably essential).

Bill **Sibert** writes from his new location as Dean of Faculty of NYACK Prep School,

1936: DSM was awarded to BG Kenneth F. Dawalt by GEN W.C. Westmoreland, C/S, U.S. Army, at a retirement ceremony held in the Pentagon. Mrs. Dawalt attended the ceremony.

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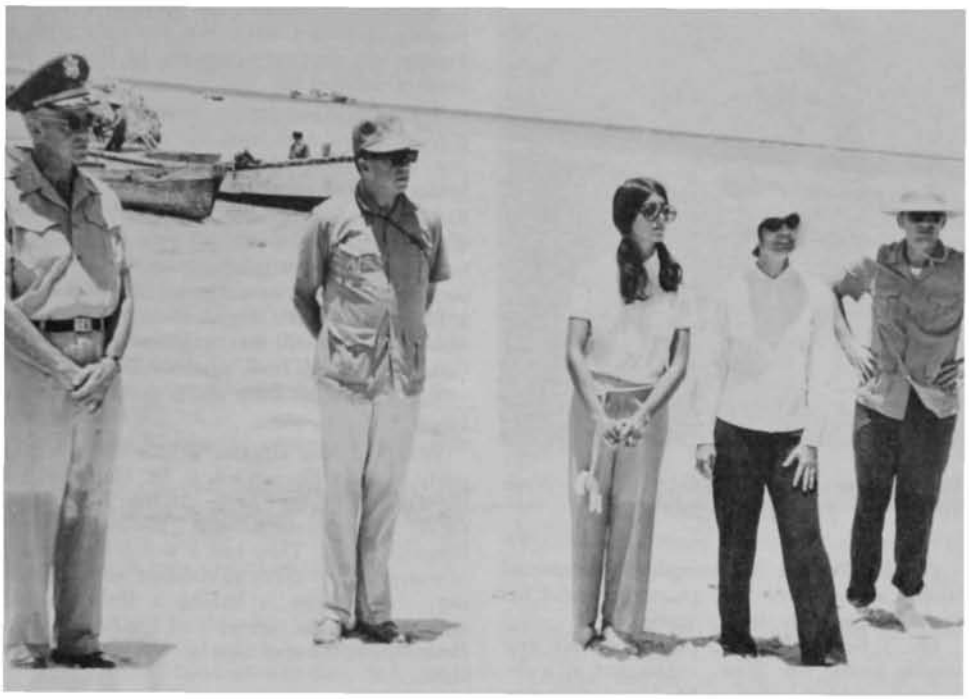

1936: South Ryukus Island, left to right: Lampert, Yarborough, Hester Lampert Hill, Gerrie.

Southampton, N.Y. He lives on campus with Dorothy and 2 children. Daughter Kathy attends school in Arlington.

Class Godson, George **Sibert** is the Aviation Bn XO of the Americal Div in VN. Bruce **Palmer** acknowledges that this young man is of the type that is holding together and influencing greatly the newer and younger men sent to VN. As our Class baby he is a fine asset, and we are proud to have him "with us."

News is of Westy daily and shared with people everywhere, however when he comes to Atlanta—that's different. He was here 28 July attending 2 functions of natl importance, and at 1 Jack **Kelly** and I had the pleasure of seeing and chatting with him briefly.

On 27 Aug., Ed **Wallnau** was given a very fine celebration by old friends at the Piccadilly (of many old memories); he was 75 years young. Ed plans to spend some time at the hotel, at least 'til end of football season; then he hopes to be with us next June at our 35th Reunion.

'37

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As Dave **Parker** mentioned in this column of the last ASSEMBLY, Ann and I were enjoying a vacation in Mexico when I was elected Class Scribe. Having done this task several times before, I wasn't too shocked, and I shall endeavor to try to keep you up on all available news of the Class.

I apologize for the personal tone to some of these notes, but our auto trip from Washington to Mexico City and Acapulco did provide quite a bit of Class news. Ann and I retired from the AF on 30 Apr. and within a few days we were en route to St. Louis, where Houghton **Hallock**, Tank **Hardaway**, and I lived prior to our entry into USMA. I still have many friends and a few relatives there, but after a few days we were en route South to San Antonio for a good visit with George and Jessie **Holcomb**, and their son, Georgie. They have a lovely home in the northeast section of San Antonio and obviously still enjoy the academic life and that wonderful Tex. environment. We also saw Bill and Fran Moore, who, some of the Class will remember, were stationed with so many of us at WP right after the war. George reported that Jack **Browning**, Parker **Calvert**, Walt **DeBill**, Render **Denson**, Frankie **Harrison**, Ed **Spaulding**, and several others were living in the area. We spent a night at Ft. Hood but missed Eph and Dottie **Graham**, who are active leaders in the rapidly growing nearby town of Killeen.

The next day we had lunch with Doris **Conway** in Austin. Doris is marriage counselor at the U. of Tex. She is as lovely as ever, and she and her boys have obviously made a fine contribution to the U. and the local area.

We were not as successful in contacting Bill **Chenoweth** in Saltillo, Mexico, although my Spanish wasn't too bad, just not good enough. In Mexico City we learned that Chester and Molly **Johnson** had just passed through there on their way to Guadalajara. They were still stationed in Panama and were just there for a short visit. On our return trip we stopped overnight at Maxwell and celebrated the 33d anniversary of our graduation with Dottie **Donohew**. Jack was attending ceremonies at MIT during which son Jackie was receiving his doctorate in Nuclear Physics.

Speaking of Jack reminds me that he recently received a note from Charlie **Stark** which he passed on to Dave and me. Charlie lives in Montemorelos, Mexico, which he describes as a weedy rustic bit about 7 hours south of San Antonio, 4 hours south of Laredo, and an hour south of Monterey. My map shows the distance between Monterey and Montemorelos as about 50 plus miles, which on those roads means some travelling. I regret that we were not aware he was located near our route, and we did not get to see him. Judging from the various comments, dots, dashes, exclamation marks, etc., in the letter, Charlie hasn't changed very much. Bless him!

As a very fitting climax to our spring Class luncheons, Swede **Ohman** invited the available members of the Class to join him aboard the Bolling AFB motor launch. We did an hour's cruise up the Potomac to Key Bridge and, for old times sake, I guess, went into the marina near the Pentagon. Those who were able to make this luncheon were Karl **Beuchner**, John **Fraser**, Scott **Hall**, Bill **Hipps**, Dick **Klocko**, George **Maliszewski**, Luis **Mercado**, Lee **Martin**, Swede **Ohman**, of course, Dave **Parker**, Jim **Pearsall**, Johnny **Steveson**, Don **Shive**, and Bud **Zehner**. Dick **Klocko** reports that he and Madelyn had another daughter marry last June. Dave **Parker** and Don **Shive** have become actively involved in a new fabulous soap and cleaning product and apparently are making great headway toward cleaning up pollution. George **Maliszewski** and Bud **Zehner** are still helping maintain the local public utilities. Bill **Hipps** reports that he and Juanita recently attended ceremonies at Dartmouth at which son Bill received his B.S. in International Relations. I don't believe his B.S. refers to what we used to mean.

A recent note from Bud **Hines** indicates that he and Sam **Agee** are still running N. M. Mil. Institute. Apparently the 2 families get together a great deal. Bud also says that after some 4 summers of work he has received his M.S. degree. Congratulations, Bud. Jim **Posey** recently paid them a telephone visit. Jim has left Nuclear Research Assoc. and is now with a company which is making a device to hold cars straight on the road after a front tire blowout!

Dave Parker received a letter from Chief Evans in which he mentions he and Claudine had spent a weekend with Bob and Jean **Palmer**. Apparently Bob showed Chief a few things about catching and fileting fish. I would gather that Chief was quite a willing learner. Chief also included 2 newspaper articles concerning 2 of our more illustrious classmates, Bruce **Holloway** and Bud **Underwood**. The article on Bruce covers several pages and treats with his responsibilities as Cmdr of the Strategic Air Command, particularly his activities in his abn hq. and the underground 1 near Omaha. Bud had just made another speech and, of course, is still Cmdr of the Army Air Defense Command with hq in Colorado Springs. I understand Bud is still quite active on the tennis courts too. Another news item, from New Orleans this time, mentions Bill **Lewis** as 1 of the Assoc. Dir. who has been named acting Dir. pending the appointment of a permanent dir.

Steggy **Stegmaier** in a note from Sun City, Ariz., tells of his interest and enjoyment in writing Westerns and the hard work in doing research for such stories. He recently had a story published in the "Golden West" magazine. In a very recent note from Joe **Focht** he mentions that Nobby **Suriya** and his wife had recently visited WP. They were accompanying GEN Tanon, Chief of Education for the Thai AF. Nobby is now Air Marshal and Chief of the Thai AF. Congratulations, Nobby. Joe also said that a recent forest fire had denuded most of Storm King Mountain, which reminded him of the many times we had walked or carried horses and arty over Storm King!

Last Apr. Fran **Shive** had a luncheon for Phyllis **Clark**. Phyllis and Milt were here visiting Bob and Ginger **Gildart** after a pleasant sojourn in Penn, England. They have been renting a small house in that interesting English village from which William Penn came. Milt has been touring the English countryside doing stone rubbings while Phyllis has been acting as an advisor for some art museums over there.

Choppy **Brett** reports proudly that his son

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was recently cited as 1 of 2 students who defended the flag against a group of demonstrators in Phoenix, Ariz.

We were all saddened by the news in late June that Kimmie **Kimbrell** had been killed in Cambodia. Also Bob **Bissell** died in early Aug. in Wash. He and Chuckie lived in Arlington and were very popular members of the clan here.

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Jesse **Thomas** arranged an enjoyable lunch in the Pentagon on 12 Aug. The following slate of officers was elected for the upcoming yr.: Pres., **Stilwell**; Sec.-Treas., W. W. **Smith**; Scribe, **Skaer**; Entertainment, J. F. **Thomas.**

Luncheon attendees were: R. B. **Anderson, Beverley,** B. R. **Brown, Corbett, Dupuis, Harrington, Lahti, Maloney,** F. D. **Miller, Mrazek, Sights, Stilwell, Taylor, Thackeray,** J. F. **Thomas, Walson,** and **Wickham.** In addition to electing officers, the membership decided to have a dinner dance at Arlington Hall Station on 16 Oct.

Doctor Geo. H. L. **Dillard** is now doing research work at the Natl Bureau of Standards in Gaithersburg, Md.

The following item appeared in the 9 July issue of the San Francisco Chronicle: "And speaking of marriages, a yawl—'The Islander' —anchored off Angel Island was the setting for the joining of Ann Blair of Middlebury, Vt., and John **Haynes**, son of COL (Ret) and Mrs. Dallas **Haynes** of the City. The double ring ceremony was performed by MAJ E. L. Chance, who was John's chaplain in VN, where he served as a LT in the Army Corps of Engrs."

Tess **Kopcsak** playing out of A-N CC recently won the Anderson Cup in Class C play of the Women's Dist. Golf Assn. Tess shot a net 71 on the Belle Haven Course.

Trevor **Dupuy** and his father have coauthored still another military publication. This one is entitled, "The Encyclopedia of Military History" and was published in May by Harper and Row. Reviews appeared in "Air Force" in July and in "Army" in Aug.

CPT Wm. W. **Beverley** Jr. is now attending the Adv Car Crse at the Field Arty School and has been selected to remain on Staff and Faculty. He had previously served as a Btry Cmdr in the 101st Abn. While there he was wounded in the A Shau Valley opn. He was evacuated through Tokyo to Brooke Army General and is now in fine shape. Fortuitously, Bill Sr. and Margaret were passing through Tokyo on their way to Korea while Bill Jr. was in the Tokyo Hospital. Both father and son appreciate the fact that Dick **Stilwell** accompanied young Bill in the helicopter on the 1st leg of the evacuation.

Frank and Peggy **Miller** went to Germany for 3 weeks in the middle of June, and visited their oldest daughter Maile, her husband CPT Wm. Doyle, and new granddaughter. They also realized a 30-yr dream and attended the Passion Play at Oberammergau.

Mike and Virginia **Hayes** passed through Dulles on 12 July destined for a 4-day Kiwanis Convention in New Orleans. Incidentally, they visited daughter Rosa now working there. Mike is running Alumni Affairs at Bucknell. They made the trip between Bucknell and Dulles in their new Mercedes-Benz.

1938: Ekman, Boyt, and Glace in the "Wee Willie" off the Florida coast.

Charles **Walson** has completely recovered from a serious bout with pneumonia and has resumed his daily tennis game.

On 3 Sept. Dick and Alice **Stilwell** graciously hosted the Wash. contingent at a delightful cocktail buffet at Ft. Myer's Quarters 2. Those attending were R.B. and Gene **Anderson,** Bill and Margaret **Beverly,** George and Betty **Bixby,** Bob and Anne **Brown,** Desloge **Brown,** Nim (Art's in VN) **Collins,** Bill and Fran **Corbett,** John and Alice **Damon,** Chas. and Elizabeth **Denholm,** Warren **Hannum,** Tracy and Dorothy **Harrington,** Bert and Janet **Harrison,** Al and Jane **Hulse,** Kitty **Johnson,** John and Myrtle **Kelsey,** Arpad and Tess **Kopcsak,** Maurice and Lennie **Lemon,** Jim and Miriam **Lewis,** Art and Mary **Maloney,** Frank and Peggy **Miller,** Jim **Mrazek** and Cmdr. Betty Stover, Francis and Marie **Patrick,** Jack and Jo **Ryan,** Tom **Sibley** and Miss Aggie Rice, Pete and Jane **Sights,** Ken and Ev **Skaer,** Bill **Smith,** Jim and Charlotte **Taylor,** Don and Jinny **Thackeray,** Jesse and Barbara **Thomas,** and Bill and Suzy **Walson.**

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Bud and Jackie **Newcomer** entertained some of the '39ers in the Jersey area at an evening party at their home in Morristown, N.J.

The **Krismans** and **Kobeses** got a group together at WP after the Holy Cross game including the **Dillards, Al Evans, Janowskis, Newcomers, Dziubans** and their son, who is attending school at Fla. State; Perry **Hoisington,** the **Scholls,** John **Wald,** the **Higgins,** Ed **Hamilton,** Carl **Buechner,** his gal Sal, and Dottie **Hull.** Dottie was the sole representative of the **Hull** family since Speedy is chasing about the country again. Speedy says he is going to retire from AAU at the end of the yr. so that Dottie can have a steady boyfriend at the Class parties. We hear through the grapevine that Carl **Buechner's** gal Sal is beginning to like the Class of '39 very well, which leads us to believe that there is a possibility she might join it in the not too distant future.

Mickey and Jo **Laitman** entertained a few classmates at their home in N.Y. early in Sept. After much coaxing, Jo and her daughter entertained the group with a few delightful renditions on the flute, violin and piano.

We are, of course, all saddened by the passing of Jean **Curtin.** We certainly wish to express our deepest sympathy to Bob in this time of sadness for him.

Tom **Crawford** has returned from a yr's. stay in Italy. And from all reports he looks just like Mitch Miller. Hopefully, he is a better singer but we doubt it. Tom intended to come to WP for the homecoming football game but cancelled out.

We still have a good contingent in VN in control of things over there. Bill **McCaffrey** is running USARV. Mary is living in Bangkok. Mike **Davison** still has a Corps in VN and doing a great job from what we hear.

Julian **Ewell** is very much involved in the Peace Talks in Paris.

Walt and Ann **Higgins** held a very elegant party at the Officers Club in Ft. Hamilton for the friends of the Army in the NYC area. GEN Westmoreland and his wife were honored guests. They had a wonderful spread of everything it takes to conduct an outstanding affair. Higgy is having a little trouble with some of the elements of his Bank at Ft. Hamilton but, hopefully, he will weather the storm.

Art and Mary **Allen** were in N.Y. recently for the National Guard Convention at the Americana Hotel.

Speedy and Dottie **Hull** are on their way to Europe for about a 3-week vacation.

Charlie **Mount** is the new Dpty CG at Ft. Meade for Res. Affairs.

Allie Lou and Ken **Collins** stopped thru Ft. Hamilton on their way back to Hiltonhead where they will move into their new home. They have been living in Eddie **Smith's** house down there while the construction was in progress. So Eddie will have to look for someone else to fatten up his bank account. We hear that Eddie is now back from Korea. Other news from Hiltonhead: Pink Puss **Patterson** is running his own golf course down there. Also in the Savannah area we have Preacher **Williams,** Dave **Goodwin** and Vic **Johnson.**

Pete **Clifford** is a schoolboy at the U. of S.C. trying to learn enough math so that he can teach it. Hopefully, Pete is managing to keep Pro.

Jan and Scot **Kurtz** are in the real estate business in Wash.

Dick **Curtin** in Phoenix. After 1 yr. of married life, apparently thinks he discovered this great institution—marriage, that is.

Pete **Clifford** and Ken **Collins** are certainly members of the elite at this time as they have summer homes in N.H. and winter homes in the South.

Word has it that Spike **Troiano** is working as an investigator for the State of N.J.

Seen at football games recently at WP were the **Hunsbedts** and **Leglers.**

Sunday morning after the Holy Cross football game, the golf match of the century was scheduled between Walt **Higgins** and Perry **Hoisington.** The final outcome was not published but we understand that Perry had a very bad day.

Charlie **Duke** is still busily engaged in polluting the Hudson River in the N.Y. area, if we are to believe the newspapers.

John **Carpenter** is well established in his job as Pres. of Culver Military Academy where he succeeded Jack **Dobson.** Jack built a house at Hiltonhead but is managing a stud farm in Ocala, Fla.

Walt **Brinker** has joined the USAA and is organizing an investment fund and has guaranteed to make all of us rich.

Jimmy **Collins** came out of retirement, back

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to active duty to take the Army Historical slot down in Wash.

Tom **Dolvin** is holding down the C/S's job at MAACV.

Woody **Wilson** and Kate are still up at Wellesley, Mass., where he is in the engring business.

Frank **Mildren**, the new Dpty CG at CONARC, engaged the services of Walt **Higgins** and Ken **Collins** over lunch recently at Ft. Dix in an effort to straighten out what Ken left there . . . whatever that means.

We hear that Marshall **Wallach** is teaching school in Warrington, Va. Bob **Schellman** is backing up Mildren as the C/S at CONARC.

Joe **Perry** is still with North American Airlines in Calif.

Jack **Boles** is now in control of things in Turkey.

These notes were hastily gathered by **Kobes** (aided slightly by **Krisman**) for and in the absence of a Scribe. We hope that the Wash. bunch gets organized soon.

1940: Coats, Mary Yeuell, Don Yeuell at Ft. Hood, Tex.

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He who must compose a topic sentence to start out the Class news for ASSEMBLY 3 months after the 30th reunion finds himself in a pocket. He cannot be cute and write in semi-verse, but rather is returned to the world of reporting facts. The old business of moving from Camp Cupcake to Ft. Fribble is not available. We have run out of Eagle Scouts, and no one ever sends me marriage announcements or even birth announcements of grandchildren.

In this particular edition, I can report the final retirements of: H.H. **Arnold**, Len **Orman**, Harry **Stella**, George **Mueller**, Freddy **Schmultz** (I told you he'd make it), Robby **Norris**, **Manzolillo**, **Oglesby**, **Strauss**, **Brice**, **Munson**, **Kyle**, **Black**, **Cullen**, **Balthis**, **Fuller** F.P., **O'Brien**, **Podufaly**, **Mastran**, **Floyd**, **Hazeltine**, **Dibble**, Page Smith, **Renwanz**, **Meszar**, **Spengler**, **Fritter**, **Kramen**, **Lane**, **Monroe**, **Saunders**, **Oseth**, **Rizza**, **Pidgeon**, **Robinson**, **Baker** "Jim Rat" **Moore**, **Byrne**, **Winton**, **Alexander**, **Witt** and **Goodwin**. Sam has a son in Mass., 1 a freshman at Princeton, and young Peter having his character molded by the likes of me here at N.Y.M.A.

We have some GENs drifting about in the Army and AF, and all are doing very well, but our COLs have now been retired. Most of our retirees have not yet let me know where they are, but some have; and for those who want to send Christmas cards, here goes:

Charlie **Balthis** at 290 Robin Hood Rd., N.E. Atlanta, Ga.; Donovan **Yeuell**, long retired but freshly moved can be found at 2930 Adams Rd., Troy, Mich.; John **Pidgeon**, 22573 Veronica Dr., Salinas, Calif.; Chuck **Oglesby**, Box 584, North Falmouth, Mass.; Ed **Podufaly**, 1612 Severn Dr., Winchester, Annapolis, Md.; Lanny **Witt**, 96 Sutton Place, El Paso, Tex.; **Goodwin**, P.O. Box 789 Buffalo, Wyo.; **Winton**, 10 S. Pegasus Ave., Clearwater, Fla.; **Norris**, 2408 Fir St., El Paso, Tex.; **Mueller**, Box R, APO N. Y. 09407.

There are bargain prices on Christmas cards in your nearest 10 cent store. Send me 1 with your current address. It makes for togetherness.

Two sad notes in that I must report the deaths of Dean **Benson** and Bud **Horton**.

'41

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BEAT NAVY: THINK 30TH: BEAT NAVY: THINK 30TH: BEAT NAVY—The big team looked great against Holy Cross, and for those who would like a new dark blue b'robe, now is the time to seek out an anchor-klanker foolish enough to wager. And in just 259 days we will be falling in out in front of Cullum.

Jim **Laney**, our Reunion Chairman, continues to predict a record breaking turnout, and your old Scribe is busy trying to come up with a fresh approach to the Xmas letter in the hopes of optimizing coverage, reestablishing lost contacts, making it more stimulating, and boning up more enthusiasm for the BIG 30TH! We have even alerted an alpine team to bring the Cover Cartoon down from Herr **Vaughan's** Eagle's Nest, high in the Bavarian Alps!

A salute to Ed **Rowny**, our 1st Army LTG! Ed is back in Korea commanding the I Corps Gp. George **Brown** assumed command of the AF Systems Command on 1 Sept. In Academia, Joe **Gurfein** has moved up to Dean of Admin. of Federal City College in D.C. Spec **Powell** has returned from SEA to be Dpty CG and C/S of the Army Test and Eval Comd, Aberdeen. Guy **Goddard** was recently installed as the 50th pres. of the Society of Amer. Mil. Engrs. (SAME). Elmer **Yates**, who will soon be donning his 2d star has returned to the Pentagon, and Fred **Ascani** and Curt **Chapman** are also back in the palace in WSEG and OCE respectively. Charlie **Fletcher** who was packing to go to the Far East had to have surgery which caused his orders to be changed. He was in Honolulu recently on an ammunition conference, and phoned to say "Hi" and that he was now well but disappointed to have missed his tour in the orient.

4 Class Sons entered with the USMA Class of '74. They are David L. **Fowler**, Clare H. **Armstrong** III, Richard K. **de Jonckheere**, and William G. **Mather**. They survived Beast Barracks and are progressing in typical '41 fashion.

Except for "Think A Prayers" the mail bag has been very skimpy. Vic **Campana**, Spike **Briggs**, and Al **Dalby** sent me 1 each but failed to add any news. With the shape the market is in, I suppose I should be sending them on like mad. A very cordial letter from Fox **Rhynard** said they become more and more enchanted with Corvallis and their flourishing valley. Jasper **Vaughan** wrote asking if I would be interested in the Honolulu distributorship of the Paser Magnum, a smog reducing device. He said that he, Kay (Dienelt), and the boys Paul and Kevin were at Hickam for Easter vacation but did not know we were there. Kay recently spent a week in Tacoma with sister Fran and Joe **Myers**. George and Penny **Moore** announced the marriage of their daughter, Kimberley Anne to LT Steven J. Pressler on 13 June at the Lawrenceville chapel.

Bouncing Julie **Easton** wrote of their wonderful trip to the W. Coast. "Roberta and Vince **Carlson** had a dinner for us, and the Sat. night before the **Mullanes** came up, and we joined Bud **Thompsons** and friends for dinner and night-clubbing . . . a spot called Earthquake McGoon's. Pictures enclosed show **McElroys**, **Elders**, **Carlsons**, **Mullanes**, and **Christensens** . . . That good gal Doris **Mullane** volunteered to go aid in Peru. Down south we had 1 evening with **Cokers**, and Edee **Durr** and her husband Leo . . . Next night up to the hills to **Gurnees** for a grand evening with Ruth and Bill and Muriel and Jack **Christensen**. It is so great to have John able to do so much more . . . so we are getting there. Jack **Millikin** just went to work for the St. Alban's school, thanks to Proxmire and all. Me . . . I'm with the hard-hats . . . and if things get to a real show-down, I shall go join them."

Buck **Miller** writes that he is traveling by air quite a bit these days. "A couple weeks ago I called Jack and Ruth **Thigpen** from airport at Monroe then flew over their house.

1940: Class of 1940 Retirees—Fort Bliss, Tex.

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1941: Farewell Dinner for George Brown, CG 7th AF. Left to right: Larry Greene, J1 MACV; George; GEN Abe (looking young enough to be a '41er); Wendy Knowles, Province Advisor, COORDS; Bob Tarbox, Dir Constr MACV; Walt Woolwine, Dep CG USARV (Materiel).

Later that week I stopped to see Jack **Norton** at Hood. Soon plan to fly down and see Sam **Barrow** who moved to the coast between Rockport and Arossas just in time to catch it!" Bucky reported Sam's new address: Box 7010, Rockport, Tex. 78382 which was just about at the center of the recent hurricane. He also reports Swampy and Helen **Marsh**, Bob and Erin **Detwiler**, and KO **Due** in San Antonio.

Joe **Knowlton** from his new job as Dir. of Business and Industry at the Museum of Science, Boston, wrote with a list of the New England Yankee type '41ers and a promise to help with the Xmas Letter. Wray **White** will Xmas Letter the Ohio contingent and says he will be in San Diego for the International City Management Assn convention 19-25 Sept. Hopes to see Hank **Boswell** III who is at Imperial Beach and instructing in Navy Helicopters.

Bill **Gurnee** wrote of completing his pool which includes a "Therapeutic Spa" which features a whirlpool at 110°—"Nothing like sitting in that thing at midnight surrounded by a LA fog! We also turned the den into a full bar and find ourselves concentrating our activities there. It has turned out to be a real fun house, and we are truly enjoying our Calif. life." Bill has been on a project for Northrop working on the same problem that Jack **Christensen** has as a contract with his own consulting firm. They yo-yo back and forth to the East Coast regularly and frequently. Murial came down to spend 2 weeks with Ruth during their absence. "When Jack and I came back together to LA we had great long weekend. Jack and I were met at the plane by the gals in brand new **wigs**, and we tried to pick them up, not knowing who they were! John and Julie **Easton** were here and what guts, courage and a fine outlook on life that guy has—and Julie too, for that matter." Bill went on to say that Felix **Gerace** had "come aboard" at Northrop and after scouting all over LA for a house finally found 1, of all places, just a few doors from the **Gurnees**! Felix then returned to Wash. and sold his house the 1st day it was on the market!

1941: BG Edwin L. Powell Jr., Dpty CG and C/S of the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command.

During my trip to Phoenix on 1 Aug. to watch Joan pin my wings on Curt, I detoured via Colo. Springs and had a chance to see George and Betty **McIntyre** in their lovely home in Woodmore. George has been with this very interesting development for the past yr.; it has to be seen to be fully appreciated. 1-acre lots in pine trees, an 18 hole golf course, a club (makes you think you are back on a post) and soon to be available a shopping center. It is only minutes from the Academy and approximately 45 minutes from Denver. For those who are thinking of either a lovely place or an investment, I suggest you contact George: Box 241, Monument, Colo. 80132.

The **Macs** had a lovely dinner rallying Dottie and John **Henschke**, Vivian and Al **Hayduk**, and Lil and Bill **Mitchell**. Bill had just retired and was planning to shop around for a job and a new place to live. Al continues to offer his sound and conservative advice on the market to his clients, and John presses on with Martin-Denver where they manage to keep him on the Huntsville commuter.

Let the record show that Nancy **McIntyre** riding her favorite mare, "My Chance," is on her way to very big things in the horse show circuit. She already has little room left on the walls of her room for more ribbons and George will soon have to get a case for the trophies. Nancy comes by this talent naturally; Betty was booting the thoroughbreds over the rails with great success before she took up beating everybody at golf. Her Cav grandfather, the late COL Stickman, taught her the same tricks he showed Betty.

We had some VIPs come to Honolulu this summer. Dottie and **Jack Harris** came over with Jane and Perk **Perkin**. They had lots to see, but they took the time to include us in a lavish dinner at the Dynasty. Jack is with TRW and still working with USAF missile systems. Perk is extremely happy with the Fuller Co. where he is Works Mgr. in the Manheim Plant in Hershey, Pa. Addresses are Harris: 13216 J Admiral Ave., Marina Del Rey, Calif. 90291; Perkin: 1028 W Areba, Hershey, Pa. 17033. Our other VIP was the good Dr. John M. Christensen, Pres. of Joint Management Consultants. His latest venture has taken him into chartering Aircraft for R&R families to get to Honolulu. Jack was in Honolulu to close the loop on his very worthy project in spite of the red tape imposed by everybody and his brother. Although he could not bring Muriel, we did get him to help us locate a large beach house which we hope will be occupied by the **Christensens**, the **Gurnees**, and the **Andruses** next summer!

Jim **Laney** wrote to say that planning is going on apace under the direction of 2 expert planners—Joe **Canella** heads the dinner committee, and Joe **Reed** heads the picnic committee. He also reported that Bill **Gribble** has moved to Army R&D into a 3-star slot. Jim adds that anyone moving to Wash. should be told to contact him at the Charles Hooff offices in Alexandria for what he modestly calls service by a "great real estate man." If you haven't confirmed your reservations for June Week, write Jim at 1707 Duke St., Alexandria, Va. 22314, phone 549-6103.

With both daughters attending Southern Colo. State, Pueblo, and Curt with orders to return to USAFA as a flight instructor, the Andri decided to redeploy to where you breathe air you can't see! We loved our yr. in Aloha Land and plan to return, but until we get caught up on skiing, that will have to wait. George **McIntyre** reports a recent visit by Biss **Moore** who will coach the Modern Pentathelon Team which will be training at USAFA. John **Henschke** told of seeing **Zeke Edger** on a recent visit to Huntsville. Bill **Linton** reports that he has decided to stay in this great area and is job hunting in anticipation of retirement by June. Ran into Bob and Nancy **Cooper** at the USAFA opener—they are fine and enjoy the remoteness of Ft. Morgan. Son Robin is a 3d classman wearing the star and wreath on his pocket which marks him as a man on the Supe's list, (both the Comdt's list and the Dean's list!)

Mal and Alma **Troup** continue to lend sound judgment and great charm to promoting this area as a retirement home. They are both in the Real Estate business and Mal is

1941: Bill and Ruth Gurnee, Jack and Muriel Christensen, Julie Easton.

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1941: Back row, left to right: Jim McElroy, Ann Elder, Vince Carlson, Julie Easton, Doris Mullane, Lou Elder. Front row, left to right: Ann McElroy, John Easton, Muriel Christensen, Berta Carlson.

a principal with Rampart Realty Inc. He is helping me with plans to put a Swiss Chalet on a small piece of the Colo. Alps, and he has also promised to show me some of his favorite trout streams. In fact, at his mountain retreat he has organized things so that his guests can venture into at least 3 categories of challenge as far as trout fishing is concerned, depending on skill and experience. I plan to stick to his tank where you can't miss. All are happy with the news that son, Brian, has fully recovered from his wound suffered in VN and is back in the states with his family.

Am hoping to give the Xmas Letter a 30th flavor this yr by having the Xmas Greetings composed regionally. The form letter will merely update things like addresses, grandchildren, jobs etc. The Class Area Cmdrs will have the responsibility of composing the greetings. So plan to input your golden words through this channel—and don't worry about the geography. If you live in Tex. but want to be included with the SSFABCFODS under the leadership of Pooge **Curtis** you are cleared for direct communication!

My fondest hope is that we can reestablish contact with the 20 or more classmates who have more or less withdrawn from Class activities. If you know the whereabouts of **Dessert, Hatfield, Chavez, Slocum, Stalnaker, G.A. Lee, Kunkle, Colleran, D. West, Winfree, Manley, Henzl, Linderman, Parks, Fowler, Singles, Loring,** or Earl W. **Brown**, why don't you see if you can convince them that they are still part of a fabulous gang who would like to welcome them back at the 30th!

They tell a cute story in these parts about a group of cowboys who had spent several days of hard work shearing a large herd of sheep. During the party which marked the conclusion of their labors, they encountered a gaggle of hippies who made the mistake of taunting the sweaty booze drinkers. You can guess what happened; the hippies were promptly sheared on the tavern floor and dumped into the fold along with the other shivering sheep!

And speaking of sheep, the Blue and Gold Goat Guards of Crabtown seem to have developed a conditioned response to the sight of a Mule . . . Let's not change it!
BEAT NAVY: THINK 30TH! BEAT NAVY: THINK 30TH! BEAT NAVY

Late note from Burt Andrus: He is now Exec. Dir. of the US Ski Assn.

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In view of the number of retirements at this time, prime space goes to the official propaganda forwarded by the AOG on behalf of: Bob **Berman** who was awarded the DSM for his 6/68-7/70 tour of duty at HQ USAFE when he "provided a major command materiel program that is 2nd to none."

George **Buck** retires with a 2nd LM for his "dynamic leadership and exemplary management ability" at the Missile Development Center plus a Citizenship Award from the Chamber of Commerce of Alamogordo.

Doctor—if you please—Fred **Holdrege** is also sporting a LM for "outstanding professional competence in the fields of statistics and computer technology" at the Aerospace Studies Institute. He is now Dir. of the Developmental Research and Program Evaluation Div. of the Regional Education Laboratory for the Carolinas and Va.—wherever that may be!

And old soldier Bill **Zimmermann** leaves Ft. Benning wearing the LM for his efforts on behalf of the Inf Museum Assn., its development staff and the fund raising.

A special salute to these fledglings on the retired roster for the recognition they have been given. To the many other neophytes joining us old fuds, despite your PIO's failings we love you and wish you well in your 2nd career, total retirement or housekeeping status.

Bill and Gloria **Hamilton** are new members of the D.C. contingent. A visit with the **Baxters** was about all the transition they allowed before moving into the new house and both getting off the unemployment roster.

George and Jean **Hughes** have gone overseas after retirement. All I know is that their address is Box 8907, APO NY 09283. Nice to have the news, George.

George **Allin** is now working as the Dir. of Auxiliary Services in the Arlington school system, but more important, is an enthusiastic inductee into the Fri. marching and drinking society.

Carl and Pat **Ulsaker** have kept their share of all those Post Office pay raises in circulation by buying a lovely new home. Carl made the local press when he M.C.'d ceremonies at Ft. Myer celebrating issuance of a postal card honoring the 100th anniversary of the weather services. His recent trip to Calif. included a session with the **Crowleys.**

Jesse **Miles** has turned up in Jacksonville. Garth **Stevens** has left us for Charlottesville. The **Deanes** are trying the apartment route in D.C. this time since he works at the Naval Observatory, and the Ray **Murphys** have replaced them as home owners here. Bill **Watkin** has orders for VN.

The Pentagon luncheons continue to thrive under Don **Bolton**'s tender care and provide a great chance for the transients to see the locals. Jeff **Davis** timed a recent safari to join in, and all of you out-of-towners are urged to do likewise.

Fred **Rosell** wrote to advise that he is now a VP and Gen. Mgr. of the Los Angeles Office of Robertson and Assoc., engring, marketing, and investment consultants. He'll be glad to hear from any job hunters, with resume. Dick **Field** is already aboard.

Jim and Norma **Cockrell** offered their Lake Barcroft digs for a Class outing on 29 Aug. Ink **Gates** rounded up 68 of us for a most enjoyable occasion of boat riding, b.s.'ing, and booze. Doc **Hyde** sat around with one foot propped up denying that the infection in his leg was a delayed reaction from a World War II experience in North Africa, and Enid believed him, so she said. Lee and Ginger **Cage** made the journey over, but our plans to seduce the **Horridges** into coming fell through.

Tom **Rienzi** was the recipient of the Papal Award on behalf of Pope Paul VI for his outstanding contribution to the duties and activities of chaplains in VN while CG of the 1st Sig Bde.

Proud to see in a "Time" magazine book review that amidst all the foul-up in the Pueblo affair, our Bill **Harrell** was on the ball. As AF Cmdr in Korea he knew of the mission and volunteered to have aircraft on strip alert, but the Navy declined.

Is it that we're getting old or just important? In any event, Lu **Clay** is doing 1 or the other as his birthday was noted in Bill Gold's column!

Larry and Jane **Adams** suffered a blow to their community property when Cindy married in Williamsburg in Aug. On the other hand, Karl and Betty **Retzer** had nothing to do but enjoy the festivities when USAF LT Jere took a bride in Oregon this summer.

Garrard **Foster** is paying for his sinecure at GSA. He's on loan to Congress for a 6-months study and finds himself back in the Pentagon!

A bash at the **Ryders'** before they left for Ft. Sam produced Bill **Kraft**, here to scoop up Helen before heading to Europe. Also on the scene was Tommy **Fergusson**. Disgusting to see all the females from teenagers on up clustered around him! Skip **Ryder** and his bride were among those present, but I'm not sure that they knew or cared!

Having the **Kosters** in residence at Ft. Meade has been a definite addition to the local social scene. I might add that Suzy's appearance at several functions has increased

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local optometrist trade more than somewhat.

Howie **Burris** reports that he's still hanging in there on the development of his local Disney-type center. I have the feeling from our conversation that he's not in favor of high interest rates on tight money for more than philosophical reasons!

On my Benning trip in July, I had a professional critique of my investment errors from Merrill Lynch's resident expert George **Rehkopf.** I cried a lot but managed to support Happy Hour at the Club and partake of the new Hotel Ralston's cuisine with him. Should you be fortunate enough to catch the stock market report from their local radio station, it could be George's dulcet tones you hear. (I've contracted to sell the 1st record of his bloopers!) Saw Bill **Zimmermann** briefly and found that he was planning on a look at Australia after retirement. His bride indicated that she and the kids would await his return at their home in Palm Beach! Also saw young Jim **Wood,** then a student but staying to be the Comdt's Aide.

Our Sue is going to grad school at Berkeley and HAD to have a car, so Barbara sacrificed her Volks, and I drove it as far as El Paso. Called the **Plotts** in Lexington, hoping for a cup of coffee but no answer. Spent another dime in Nashville with much better results. Jackie and "Slim" **Stephens** accepted the inevitable and extended an invitation to see their beautiful home and the kids—and to dip into that same old well I've depleted so often before. Having shed 40 pounds, Dopey looks great. If I said the same about Jackie, 'twould be redundant!

Following the return flight home from Ft. Bliss, I found Jay and Rita **Jaynes** with me on the mobile lounge at Dulles. Rita had somehow gotten Jay away from the shop long enough for a visit to our Godson at Lackland AFB. Let's hope that it's not as long before the next encounter.

Strange to think in terms of "Beat Navy" before we've even done it to Holy Cross but such are Dan **Halpin's** deadlines! Box 1142 at Ft. Myer is barren and dusty. How about redoing it in green for Project '72—or at least drop a note to tell me that my reader is alive and well?!?!

JAN '43

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The fall and winter cometh bringing the rollicking sounds of football games, rallies, reunions, and yuletide festivities with old friends and classmates—so don't forget to drop your Scribe a note with some of the details. Meanwhile, before the leaves of summer have completely whithered away, it's time to collect my notes and render a report on what has transpired since our last column was published.

First, from the D. C. arena, the clan has gathered twice—once for a Class luncheon to hear Bill **Knowlton** provide a rapid-fire, 1st-hand insight into the State of the Corps and the Academy in our changing environment and once again for an evening barbeque at the boat club on the banks of the Potomac at Ft. Belvoir. Those present to hear Bill at our Class luncheon were Dee **Armstrong** (our Class Pres., who is departing ACSI for assignment as the Senior Advisor, III Corps in VN), Bob **Baden** (our Class Secy), Johnnie **Baer,** Dick **Batson,** Wendall **Bevan,** Ken **Buell,** Bob **Burlin,** Joe **Conmy,** Clarence **Davenport,** TQ **Donaldson,** Ben **Edwards** (our Class VP and now, with Dee **Armstrong's** departure, our Class Pres.), Bob **Fiss,** Bill **Fritz** (who has recently retired and may be migrating to Fla.), Kirby **Gean** (who drove in from his AEC Hq in Germantown for the luncheon), Gregg **Henry** (who has departed from the AEC and is now with CDC Hq at Ft. Belvoir), Bill **Hume,** Frank **Kajencki,** Ed **Lowry,** Stew **Meyer** (who is now in VN as CG of the XXIV Corps Arty), your Scribe, Jim **Moore,** Johnny **Norris,** Bill **Pietsch** (who had just returned from Cambodia after a short, but well-reported tour as Defense attaché), Bill **Pitts,** Harry **Pritchett,** Em **Prince** (our Class Treas.), Johnny **Raaen** (who is the keeper of the Army's munitions in DCSLOG), George **Rebh** (who is now the Dpty Dir of Mil Construction in OCE), Em **Reynolds,** Hal **Roach** (who left Army War Plans Div to become Dpty Dir of STAG out in Bethesda), Elvy **Roberts** (who is the Dir of Army Plans in DCSOPS), Jack **Russell,** Al **Saari** (who has recently retired, but is remaining in the D. C. area), Jim **Schofield,** Jack **Shaffer** (Mr. FAA), Fred **Spann,** Bill **Starnes** (who has moved to Cincinnati as head man in the Corps of Engrs' Mississippi River Div, Bill **Talbott,** Jack **Wheeler** (who drove down from Aberdeen Proving Ground for the luncheon), Charlie **Wirt,** Jack **Wood,** and Don **Thompson** (who was visiting from his home in Columbus, Ohio).

Those present for the very pleasant evening barbeque arranged by Frank **Kajencki** (who is the IO for MDW) included the Dee **Armstrongs,** Johnnie **Baers,** Wendall **Bevans,** Charlie **Burrs** (who are moving to Columbia, S. C., where they'll live in a luxurious home and Charlie will work for the State in its Technology Utilization Div.), TQ **Donaldsons,** Charlie **Heltzels** (Charles reports that he's delighted with his new job as a long-range planner for the VA's Dept. of Medicine and Surgery), Gregg **Henrys,** Frank **Kajencki,** Sam **Karricks** (Sam is now a Dpty to the Dir of DIA, Don Bennett USMA '40), the Rex **Mincklers,** EM **Princes,** Johnny **Raaens,** George **Rebhs,** Johnny **Rosses,** Jack **Russells,** Jim **Schofields,** Fred **Spanns,** Bill **Talbotts,** and Jack **Woods.** During the course of the evening, I also learned that Jim **Aleveras** has retired and is living in San Diego and that Bob **Cook** (MACV IG) visited D. C. to testify before Congress on the My Lai affair; Ruth is living in Manila.

A fine summary of our classmates who are currently enjoying European tours was provided by Flip **Fenili,** Chief of NSA in Europe. According to Flip, the following classmates are located at Hq, USAREUR in Heidelberg: Al **Hughes** (the SJS), Ace **Elliott** (Chief, Plans Div, DCSOPS), Ted **Ardery** (Chief, Installations Div, Engr's Office), and Jack **Armstrong** (Asst DCS in DCSOPS). Mitch **Goldenthal** recently departed to become Sig O of the Fourth Army at Ft. Sam Houston. Elsewhere in Europe, Flip reported that John **Mitchell** is Dpty Dir of J5 in Hq, USECOM, and Tibby **Anderson** continues as the Chief of the Special Opns Center in the same Hq. Adrian **St. John** continues his assignment as ADC/M of the 4th Armored Div, while B-Ball **Herrington** remains posted as the DCS/Intelligence in USAFE Hq. Down in Spain, Eddie **McGough** assumed command of the 16th AF at Torrejon amid much publicity. (My brother from USMA '45 made an informal call upon Eddie this fall and found that he already had the situation well in hand). Recent departees from Europe were George **Weart,** who is now the Cmdt of the Institute of Professional Development at the Air University, and Jamie **Huntley,** who returned to Hq, AFSC as Dir of Admin.

From Bill **Neale** at the AWC came word that Hal **Barber** has been named Dir of Instruction and appointed to the GEN George C. Marshall Chair of Military Studies. Meanwhile, Bill **Neale,** now in his 4th yr. on the College faculty, was appointed to the GEN Omar N. Bradley Chair of Nonresident Instruction. An amusing letter from Wes **Curtis** indicates that he is now with the Army Advisor Gp at Ft. Devens, Mass., and that they are justly proud of their oldest son John who was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harvard. Moreover, he was commissioned a 2LT in the USAR, designated a DMG, awarded a Knox Fellowship, and accepted at the Harvard Law School—after he has completed 2 yrs. as a Red Leg in the Army. As Wes remarked, there are some of the old breed left, even at Harvard, though the press carefully withholds that information from the public.

The enthusiastic new Pres. of the Rod & Gun Club at Aberdeen Proving Ground is none other than Pete **Grimm,** who also wears the important hat of DCS for Test & Evaluation at TECOM. Pete reports that his son, Pete (USMA '59), is well recovered from the wounds that he received in VN and is now assigned to the 39th Arty at Ft. Bragg. According to Pete, the Bob **Beightlers** dropped by on their return from the Panama C.Z. en route to San Francisco where Bob will be a member of the Physical Retirement Review Board.

JJ **Cobb** hand-carried his retirement papers through DA in Aug. and retired on 30 Sept. to go to work for the Ga. Medical Assn. in the administration of HEW funds throughout the State. Jim will live in Atlanta while Jean and the girls live in Huntsville until Jeanine, their 2d daughter, graduates from high school. Other classmates who visited D. C. this past summer were Art **Sebesta,** who is Dir. of Sales for CBS Electronic Video Recordings in Montreal, Canada, and the **McDermotts;** Bob (Mr. USAA) was attending an insurance conference. Incidentally, the June issue of Consumer Reports rates USAA as one of 2 automobile insurance companies that stands head and shoulders above all the rest throughout the nation. Also during the summer, the semi-annual symposium of the Mil Opns Research Society brought together Ed **Bielecki,** Bob **Fiss,** Fred **Spann,** and your Scribe at the Coast Guard Academy in New London. The wedding of the Bill **Starnes'** daughter, Susan, to Ted Rynek on 1 Aug. at Ft. Myer was witnessed by such well-wishers as the Dee **Armstrongs,** Dick **Batsons,** Joe **Conmys,** Bob **Fiss,** Brad **Lundbergs,** Bill **Neales,** Darrie **Richards,** and Bill **Talbotts.**

From Palos Verdes in Calif., the Dave **Bargers** (Barbara, that is) reported that the Lou **Wilsons** have moved to Vandenberg AFB where they have a golf course on their own doorsteps and that Quint **Goss,** who is with the Natl Cash Register Co., has moved to San Diego. She also reported that long John **Courtney,** who is with Grumman Aircraft (producers of the lunar landing vehicle) on Long Island, recently flew in for a visit, and the Tim **Browns** from CDEC at Ft. Ord have also paid a visit. According to Barbara, the big T, **Taliaferro,** also joined

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the ranks of Service retirees this past summer. Also from Calif., we received an announcement that Jack **Jones** was married to Barbara Jean Wheeler on 23 May at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

A newspaper article in June featured Fred **Ladd's** appointment as the new counselor for political and military affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Cambodia. Fred retired from the Army last Jan. and had served as a former head of the Army's Green Beret forces in VN. Also in print were Grey **Wheelock** and Bob **Marshall**, who were selected for promotion to MG—our congratulations!

Finally, from our Mecca on the Hudson, Bill **Knowlton** reports that he's had several classmates visit recently among whom were Bert **Hood**, who is Cmdt of The Citadel and is attempting to achieve a certain amount of cross-fertilization on Tactical Department systems between USMA and The Citadel, and Bob **Blaik**, who is the Dir of the Field Arty Board at Ft. Sill. Bob visited WP in that capacity during late Aug. to present the Arty trophy to the Outstanding Artyman among the new Yearlings. Bill also reported that the Tom **Watson's** son, Bob, is again a star man, and cumulatively, ranks 6 in his class. The new Plebe Class also includes the sons of the Don **Wilbourns** (Don) and the Snuffy **Smiths** (Steve).

Bill **Knowlton** also reports: A few familiar faces popped up at WP during the 1st victory against Holy Cross. Buck **Stahle** turned up in a group seated just down in front of the Supe's Box. George and Jeanne **Rebh** turned up for the game on their way through to drop 1 son off at a civilian college further north. Both hands looked well. So does Jack **Shaffer**, who formerly had to deal with disgruntled air controllers as head of FAA, and now has had to put armed guards on planes against highjackings. TRW was never like this!

We regret that we failed to offer our congratulations to the sons of the B-Ball **Herringtons** (Richard) and the Pat **Stolls** (Carl) who graduated from the AF Academy in June. . . . STRAIGHT AHEAD!

So much for Class news of the past summer—here's to our 28th anniversary coming up in Jan.!

JUN '43

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We recently attended a "Coming Out" party at Andrews AFB at the invitation of Myla and John **Hudson** in honor of their daughter Laura. At the same time Nancy and Bud **Rundell's** daughter was also honored. The 2 girls looked great and were eyed proudly by the parents and friends. Myla and John also had a farewell Wash. party which included the following classmates: The **Kecks**, Jim and Bobbie, Lee and Anne **Hogan**, John and Marge **Bowley**, Dick and Caroline **Shaefer**, Cobe **Hurley**, Buzz and Nan **Bucher**, Bill and Marion **Moore**, and Ida and Jim **Pugh**. We all had a great time and hate to see them leave for Wright Pat. John and Marge **Bowley**, Jamie and Lucy **Philpott** and Betty Anne and I took in 1 of the Senators ball games. They report that all their troops are fine. We also had dinner recently with Lee and Anne **Hogan** who report their family is in good shape.

The Corps of Engrs recently announced that Hal **Parfitt**, now SW Div Engr with hq. in Dallas, Tex. will also become a member of the Board of Engrs for Rivers and Harbors in Wash. We wish Hal the best in this additional duty. Jonas and Kathy **Blank** are now settled here in Wash. where, as I previously reported, Jonas is Dir of Support Services, DCS/S&L. They live in Villamay at 7414 Park Terrace Dr., Alexandria, Va. 22307. Tim and Fran **Ireland's** new address at McGuire AFB is: 4501 Orly Place, McGuire AFB, N.J. 08641. We recently saw them at the AFA convention here in Wash., and they both are fine as is their family.

Bill and Marion **Moore** recently entertained some of us at a corn roast at Army Navy here in Wash. Guests included: John and Marge **Bowley**, Bud and Nancy **Rundell**, Kathy and Jonas **Blank**, Cobe **Hurley**, Jim and Barbara **Keck**, Ned and Ginnie **Shramm**, and Betty Anne and I. It was a great party, and we enjoyed being with these troops.

John and Marge **Bowley's** daughter Robin was married 28 Aug. to Mr. Frederick Clarke at The Episcopal Seminary in Alexandria, Va. The reception was held at A-N Country Club, and the people I saw there were: Bill and Nancy **Malone**, Les and Betty **Hardy**, Lee and Anne **Hogan**, and Cobe **Hurley**. It was a lovely wedding and reception, and we all wish Robin the best in her marriage.

Rog **Kullman** was in for the AFA Convention, and he reports all of his troops are fine. Ben and Barbara **Cassiday** were also in town for this event and report everything is going well with them. Ben is still head of the AFROTC at Maxwell. I recently had a note from Bill **Brake** who retired from the AF on 31 July. At his retirement ceremony at Robins AFB, Ga., Hank and Bev **Richard** attended the ceremony. At Bill's retirement ceremony the Cmdr at Robins also presented a beautiful retirement certificate to Anne. On 10 Aug. Bill was appointed Dir. of Placement at Emory U. where he will also serve as recruiting officer for the Grad School of Business Admin. Their home address: 4388 Bramwell Dr., Stone Mountain, Ga. Bill extends an open invitation to any classmate coming to or passing through Atlanta. Bill also reports that Jep **Tanksley** is running for the Republican nomination for Gov. of Ga. Bill reports that Jep has his support and I am sure the support of all classmates. Thanks Bill for your interesting letter.

Les **Hardy** has taken over giving me info on Army troops, and he reports the following: Norm **Williams** passed away in July. Norm was retired here in Wash. and was interred at Arlington Cemetery. In Les' summer travels visiting all Army ROTC camps, he saw Gordon **Cantlay** who was CG of the camp at Knox and Arch **Hamblen** who was CG of the camp at Ft. Riley. He also visited a night with the **Winfields** at Ft. Leavenworth. Gabby Ivan was at the camp at Indiantown Gap, Pa., where he is PMS at Richmond U. in Richmond. Charlie **Benson** and Bill **Greenwalt** retired this past summer and are living in Annandale and Springfield respectively. He also visited with Arch and Shirley **Hill** at their new place on the Severn River between Ft. Meade and Annapolis. Al **Burdett** took command of the Army Aviation Center at Ft. Rucker, Ala. in Sept. Les saw Rex **Cocroft** who is still with Bureau of Public Roads here, and he, Nancy and the children live in Hamilton, Va. Rip **Collins** is Asst Div Cmdr for the 2d Div in Korea. Fletch **Veach** commands the NATO Support Gp in Belgium. John **Lucas** is on the faculty at the AFSC in Norfolk. Bod **Maddox** is at Hq CONARC at Ft. Monroe, Va. George **Newman** is G3 and Joe **Wyrick** is G2 of USARV. Fred **Proctor** is the new Treas. at USMA.

Bob and Pris **Clark** are now at Maxwell AFB, Ala., where Bob is in the AFROTC business. Ralph **Hallenbeck** wrote me that Tody, Bettye, and Dale **Sweat** and he just recently were on leave in the Norwegian area. He reported that they really had a good time. I missed hearing from Jess **Fishback** this quarter, but be sure and keep me posted on all the Engr activities Jess. I recently had lunch with Jimmy **Keck** who continues to be Dpty Dir of Opns, Hqs USAF. He and Bobbie recently had all of their children and grandchildren in Wash. for a family gathering, and he reported that being a grandfather wasn't as easy as picking bananas. Ed and Rita **O'Connor** are now at Andrews AFB, and we have just not had an opportunity to get with them as yet. Robin **Olds** still holds the fort as Cmdt, AF Academy, and all of us AF types join him in a BEAT NAVY this year.

In hopes of improving my contacts with those people of our Class now in civilian life, I have asked Dave **Schwartz**—712 S. Fernwood St., West Covina, Calif. 91790 to cover the West Coast, Ron **Cullen**—2463 Brentwood Rd. N.W., Canton, Ohio 44708 to cover the Midwest, Jim **Wade**—7404 W. N. W. Highway, Dallas, Tex. the Southwest, Bob **Sonstelie**—14280 Sabal Dr., Miami Lakes, Fla. 33014 the Southeast, and Les **Hardy** and I will continue to monitor the active duty people as well as those in the Northeast. By having these people in these areas reporting class news to me, I think we will be able to keep better track of each other.

Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

'44

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This effort begins happily but slowly. I'm lying on our bit of beach at Nags Head on the Outer Banks of N.C. The mainland is 10 miles west, Wash. is 300 miles behind, and the next land in front of me is at Tangier, Morocco, just 3,872 miles due East. Between my toes I have bore-sighted a north-bound freighter riding the Gulf Stream about 15 miles out, estimated 12 knots ground speed. So I turn back to my Margarita (the drink; Audrey is still my C/S) and wonder where are Bob and Ele **Sellers**. It's been a long time since news of them. Also of Ed **Dravo**, Mel **Withers**, Wally **Moore**, Bill **Buckley**, and Don **Tripp**—to mention a few. Reports from or of them would be welcome. If they're rich, we applaud; if they're famous, they're modest; if they're in jail, we hope it is in a good cause.

We would hope that the "silent majority" of '44 would make a New Yrs. resolution to check in at least once a yr. with some personal news. We would welcome news of the achievements of your youngsters—in spite of the tendency of fathers never to brag on their off-spring. Particularly, some of us goats and slow learners are happy to report academic and other attainments of the young-ones thereby to prove that we just didn't really care to struggle for tenths but used our cunning to marry girls whose children's brains reflect how smart Pop **really** is.

We are indebted to Larry **Clayton** for a report from Anchorage, Ak., that Phil **Grant** is the new Ak. State Amateur Golf Champion. (I'm envious of those 18 holes after work in the midnite sun.) Phil has been Comptroller of US Army, Ak., for the last 3 yrs.; he and

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1944: Phil Grant in championship form!

Grace left in Aug. for Ft. Monroe and CONARC HQ. In addition, their son Doug brings back 4 individual State swimming championships as they return. Phil will be near at hand when another son graduates from USMA with the Class of '71. Phil's departure leaves **Clayton** as the sole '44 remaining in Ak. Larry thus believes the Spring report of his incarceration here at Ft. Fumble to be greatly exaggerated.

One nite before the boob tube I was aroused from a half-doze to wide-awake by the sight of Doc Greaves in a TV episode of "It Takes a Thief." That distinguished Va. profile wears well; Doc also showed up as a cardinal in "Shoes of the Fisherman" and as a member of the Third Army staff in "Patton." Good on ya, Doc!

Gretl **Donaldson** and sons returned to Austria for the summer to be with her family in Zell am See. The boys worked in the family business, and Gretl kept all on track. John, in connection with NATO affairs which he massages in the Joint Staff, was in Europe on TDY and got down briefly to see the family in Austria. Gretl put him to work having brought along her "Honey, do!" list. John saw **Fred Porter** at USAFE Hq in Wiesbaden where he is in the current intelligence business. His folks gave John a good briefing on the Warsaw Pact military situation.

John had dinner with Don and Eleanor **Carter** in Brussels. The hosts invite other classmates to stop by. Doc **Hayward** commands the Berlin Bde, and John **Carley** is C/S of the US Berlin Command.

Bob **Brotherton** has returned to Hq USAF (Plans) from Wiesbaden and to their house here. He put me on the track of Kern **Pitts** who is Army Attaché in South Africa until Jan. '71. Other Attachés are: Pat **Neilond**, Army Attaché in Beirut until June '72; Charlie **Johnson**, Army Attaché in Stockholm until June '71; Bruce **Deakin**, Air Attaché in New Delhi (also accredited to Nepal) until June '71; Joe **Petrone**, Asst Army Attaché in Paris until this past July; and Dick **Nalle** who is Army Attaché to the Republic of the Congo in Kinshasa (Leopoldville to goats).

During Indian Summer I set down a list of our classmates in the Joint Staff: Winston **Anderson** and Armand **Di Silvio** in J3; John **Hanley** in J4; George **Brown**, Boodler **Richards**, Mac **McKeever**, **Donaldson**, and your Scribe in J5. That was enough effort for Aug.

With autumn came football tickets, the end of vacations and beaches, cool weather, and the departure of kids for college. So with the "frost upon the pumpkin and the father in the (financial) shock," I got back on these matters to dull the pain.

As faithfully as the swallows at Capistrano, Roy **Bahls**, our man in Honolulu, checked in with a report from Oahu and West.

John T. **Moore** has joined John **Werner**, John **Susott**, and Roy on the Hq PACAF staff. He is Chief of the SEATO/Bilateral and Counterinsurgency Plans Div in DCS/Plans.

Geof and Peggy **Cheadle** were in Honolulu a couple of months ago. Geof combined a 1 week conference with an opportunity to meet Peggy (who lives at Clark AB, Philippines) and Peggy's folks here in Hi.

On a trip to Calif. Syl and Roy had dinner near Norton AFB with John and Leah **Kincaid**. John was still connected with the Pa. Mil. Acad. in Apple Valley but has a deal cooking on something to do with construction in the Victorville area.

The **Tarpleys** were through Honolulu a couple of months ago. Dave **Silver** had some of the classmates in—included Frank **Mahin**, Tom **Mahoney**, Bev **Snow**, and Bob **Hurst**. You may have this—Bob **Hurst** is now giving pilot instruction in helicopters.

I understand Mazzie **Steger** will stay in John **Werner**'s house while John and Carole visit the **Ingrams** in Calif. Bill **Steger** should get to Honolulu on R&R in mid-Sept. to be with Mazzie.

The following active duty AF types are in the Pacific with locations as listed: Pete **Tisdale**—Comdr, 388th Combat Support Gp, Korat, Thailand; Frank **Greenhill**—Comdr, 374th Tac Airlift Wing, Naha AB, Okinawa; Jack **Geyer**—Comdr, 463d Tac Airlift Wing Clark AB, Philippines; Howard **Tanner**—Vice Comdr, 432 Tac Recon Wing, Udorn, Thailand; Geof **Cheadle**—J-6, MACV; Bill **Charlson**—Comdr, 3d Tac Fighter Wing, Bien Hoa, VN; Bill **Steger**—Comdr, 3d Combat Support Gp, Bien Hoa, VN; Bill **Fairbrother**—Comdr, 14th Special Opns Wing, Phan Rang, VN; John **Werner**—DCS/Plans, Hq PACAF, Hickam, Hi; John **Susott**—DCS/Plans, Hq PACAF, Hickam, Hi; John T. **Moore**—DCS/Plans, Hq PACAF, Hickam, Hi; Roy A. **Bahls**—DCS/Opns, Hq PACAF, Hickam, Hi.

John P. **Moore** has left DaNang and on his way to Germany—Bitburg, I believe. Bob **Ingalls** has left Clark and rumored to be on his way to an assignment in Italy.

There are several firsts to report for the Class: Congratulations to **Hennessey** who became our 1st Div Comdr in the spring when he took the 101st Abn Div. He still leads it in Northern MRI in RVN. This summer George **Blanchard** very happily left Wash. for Ft. Bragg and command of the 82d Abn Div. So '44 seems to have locks on the abn business right now.

In May, Doug **Kinnard** completed his tour as C/S, II FFV and returned to D. C. via Europe where Wade and Kip had been for the yr. Upon his departure from VN Doug was awarded the DSM, DFC, and the RVN's Natl Order of VN with Gallantry Cross and Army Distinguished Service Order. Doug supplied another 1st by becoming our 1st GEN officer classmate to retire, on 31 July. He has enrolled at Princeton for grad work and intends later to join the academic world in Mass. Good luck, Doug!

Another 1st—our 1st **Reserve** GEN Officer classmate. Having graduated from the AWC Non-resident Instruction Course at Carlisle on 2 July and having amassed the requisite number of points, military and otherwise, Jim **Dunham** has been promoted to the grade of BG, USAR. Jim, who is VP of Fansteel, Inc. of North Chicago resides at 598 North Gulf Ln, Lake Forest, Ill. Jim commands a reserve unit in Waukegan, Ill., and has a mobilization assignment with Army Materiel Command. Congratulations Jim!

While on the subject of our Army GEN Officers from '44, let me pass on the latest releasable word on the whereabout of some, as provided by Army GEN Officer Branch: **Cushman** is Dpty CG, Delta Mil Assist Command, VN; Phil **McAuliffe** is Dpty Senior Advisor, Mil Region (MR) III, VN; George **Wear** has the same job in MR II. Dave Ott is CG, US Army Support Command, Thailand; Tom **Tarpley** is Dpty CG at Ft. Lewis; Ernie **Graves** is Dpty Dir of Mil Construction and Asst for NASA support, OCE. Tom **McGuire** has been ordered to USArmy VN; his assignment is not yet reported by the Army. Jim **Adamson** is still in DCS/Pers, DA; Ed **O'Donnell** is CG, 20th Engr Comd, VN. The Army expects him to leave there in Nov. His colleague there Ken **Cooper** is Dpty CG of the US Army Engr Command in VN. Jack **Peterson** carries on as CG, 7th Army Support Command; Joe **Cutrona** was scheduled to report to Darmstadt, Germany, to take command of V Corps Arty, replacing **McGuire**.

Ollie **Patton** took the long trip from VN to Teheran, Iran, where he is now Chief, Army Section of the MAAG. Win **Scott** stays at Picatinny Arsenal, N.J. for the nonce; Johnny **Desmond** is CG, 52 Arty Bde (Air Defense) and is Depty Comdr, 21st NORAD/CONAD Region. Art **Hyman**, who dropped in last week, is at Ft. Rucker learning to "pat-head-and-rub-belly" (helicopter flying) preparatory to reporting as Asst Div Comdr, 1st Air Cav Div, VN.

Your friendly AF, being either less turbulent or having fewer command jobs, has only one GEN officer move to report: Ace **Edmunds**, having commanded our B-52 wing on Okinawa for a yr., is departing there to assume command of the 810th Strategic Aerospace Div at Minot, N.D. where he and Joanie will be separated from the North Pole by only 1 barb-wire fence. A B-52 wing and a wing of ICBMs should keep Ace rather busy—and almost warm. Get a pheasant census for next fall Ace.

Although I haven't seen them for sometime, Alex and Betty **Maish** are still here in town, Alex with Mitre Corp.

1944: Dunham being frocked up—at this point half-brassed.

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Dusty **Rivers** returned to Wash. John **Donaldson** and Bob **Brotherton** were among a large group of friends and admirers who saw him receive the LM for some great work in Europe. Dusty has been busy collecting more furniture, paintings, and objets d'art. He is going to have to get a house larger than his Georgetown digs or open a gallery.

George **Ingersoll** is working for Weapon Systems Evaluation Gp here in D. C. **Micklewait** works in DDR&E, Office of the SecDef. I saw Art **McLean** in the steam room recently. He looks well; works in Rosslyn with the Weapon System Integration Gp.

At long last Bo **Bottomly** got back from SEA. From Feb. '67 when he 1st went over TDY on Project Combat Dragon until he returned this summer, Bo has spent fully 2½ yrs. in VN and Thailand. We can all be proud of Bo's accomplishments and contribution. I for one consider his A-37 project to have been the greatest step to make the Vietnamese AF a balanced fiighting force with true growth potential. Well done, Bo! After a camping trip across the Northern states Bo and family are in San Bernardino, Calif. where he's with the USAF IG, Norton AFB.

All of us here in Wash. were very pleased to learn of Frank **Cash's** promotion in the State Dep. and assignment as Country Dir. for Turkey. Remembering with comfort and appreciation his fine work on the Berlin desk in several crises there, it is good to know our Turkey problems are in good hands. Congratulations Frank.

Understand Charlie **Davis**, now a civilian, is working in DA, that Mike **Nelson** is with FAA and Doc **Schardt** is with NASA.

George **Pappas'** latest spectacular is already well known to you who received the Spring '70 ASSEMBLY. His work on the AWC Museum and the Bradley section was superb. Add to that his history of the AWC which is both scholarly and readable—and that's not easy. Fine work George.

At the end of the summer Gretl **Donaldson** saw Dave and Madelaine **Gilmer** in Austria. They have an apt. in Garmisch, Germany, where their 17-yr.-old daughter is training for the Olympic skating competition. Dave works for a German firm in Coblenz, having been in Europe for some yrs.

A mutual friend encountered George **Hayman** recently. George is the personnel mgr. of the Rouse Co. which continues its building and expansion of the planned city, Columbia, Md., which lies between Wash. and Baltimore. I begin to understand why that city has such a dynamic program of art and entertainment; George is pushing it or leading it, or I miss my guess.

John **Sullivan** has returned from a short tour in Korea to a tour at ICAF. That's such an enjoyable yr. he'll call that a short tour also I wager.

Spike **Geltz** returned this summer from Germany to Warner-Robbins AFB, Ga. Patty spent a part of the summer with her father at Mt. Eagle, Tenn., and joins Spike in time for the school yr.

We were sorry to learn Dick **Ware** had a heart attack this summer and has retired. However, I am told he's going into the travel business here in Wash. Latest address: 2113 N. Kentucky St., Arlington, Va. Also joining the retired roll are Bob **Daly**, 4225 Worcester Dr., Fairfax, Va.; Hal **DeArment**, 7915 Jooes Rd, Springfield, Va.; and Harry **Grace**, now Asst. to the Dir. of Personnel, U. of Md., College Park.

Bob **Day**, who forsook our Alma Mater's halls for the role of a real estate broker in Portsmouth, RI., has taken on additional duties as principal of an elementary school. Bob writes that it is an exciting job leading a public school located in a Catholic novitiate. He has grades 1 thru 4 plus 2 classes in special education. Marge **Day** is attending grad school full time working on an advanced degree in speech therapy and guidance. In June, Bob found time to attend the Global Strategy Conference at the Nav WC where he ran into Greg **Glick** who is the USAF Advisor to the Pres. of the Nav WC.

Just to remind us that time marches on: On 18 July the **Hennessey's** daughter Katy married Mark Barbour at Ft. Bragg. Among those attending were Dottie **Daniels**, Harriet **Black**, and Ed **Millington**. On 25 July, Missy **Blanchard** was married to Johnnie **Hennessey** in Wash. Jack was able to return for the weddings.

Nancy **Peterson**, Jack and Bea's daughter, was married on 27 June in Glencoe, Ill., to Mr. Philip K. Miller. The **Petersons** returned from Stuttgart for the occasion. If any details are wrong forgive me; all the poop is 2d hand. I'm sure all the brides' fathers are too much in shock to notice. However, we'll be happy to announce any such news we receive.

Jim **Douglas**, who has been editor of Infantry magazine and other publications, just informed that he is leaving the Bechtel Corp. here and is moving to San Antonio effective 21 Sept. Jim will be associated with United Services Automobile Assn. who holds the hand of 95% of us as our teenagers corner the family car. Good luck Jim.

Dean **Bressler**, earlier reported as being in business of organizing safaris (shooting and camera), and hunting and fishing expeditions all over the world, has shifted from Winchester World Wide Adventures to Adventures Unlimited with the position of gen. mgr. of their Chicago Office.

After 17 yrs. on the island of St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, where he pioneered the world-famous Coral Grottos at Buck Island, operated Queen's Cross Inn and put the name on Bill Miller's Boats, Bill and Sandra **Miller** have taken up permanent residence on St. Vincent Island, said to be the brightest jewel in the Windward Islands of the Caribbean. Bill has started up a hotel—the Mariner's Inn on the beach. Bill **Murray**, Channing **Gilson** and Nick **Fuller** have visited the Inn, and the brochure Bill sent has me drooling! For further info write to Bill Miller at Mariner's Inn, Villa Beach, St. Vincent, West Indies. Even if we can't get away, we can at least dream a little, can't we?

Outside my window the marigolds and cannas, the pyracantha and crape myrtle are in full color. The autumn air is attested by the elm leaves which are just beginning to turn; the apples are red on the trees, and our houses are quieter with the kids gone back to school. However, when you see this, instead of being broke from clothes and college tuition you'll be broke from getting ready for Christmas unless you made a real good bet that ARMY will beat Navy this year.

So, to all of you this news comes with best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May your roads be straight and smooth and the wind be always at your back. Cheers!

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The Blue Ribbon Defense Panel has submitted recommendations, and it looks like

1945: Ray Cavanna receiving LM from MG R.L. Shoemaker.

beer in the mess hall by '75. Some other suggestions will, however, be implemented before our 30th Reunion e.g., stay off the roads—don't bunch up—and head to foot sleeping effective 15 Nov. In this regard, I have observed numerous classmates running up and down the E Ring, burdened with position papers, defending the school solution. At Carlisle Barracks, the Dir. of the U. S. National Strategic Studies course recommends that we return to the 9-men-per compartment aboard ship—alphabetically—**Hill, Hillman, Hinman, Hoffman,** etc. Recalling that 2LTS pulled guard in 1945, who can forget Joe **Hoffman** being confined to the aforementioned compartment for sleeping on post. Wouldn't you know—just as I'm beginning to digest the Blue Ribbon report, my secy has handed me a stack of mail—1st out says "please change my address on all Class rosters to: 217 Highland Ave., Blacksburg, Va. 24060. I'm on the permanent faculty at VMI," signed Frank **Marvin**. So our old mule rider has taken the easy way out.

Cadet white trousers are now approved for summer wear according to Henry **Hughes**—who reports that Bill **Ochs** was sporting a pair at a Ft. Ritchie wedding in mid-July. Bill denies it, but the telltale bayonet hole indicating that they were improperly broken out was the giveaway. Things are about the same in the old messhall at USMA as the following extracts from a recent Cadet Mess Newsletter so indicate: "the ability to obtain 2ds is not sufficient reason to promote waiters, as many cadets have recommended"—objecting to a salmon cake main course, 1 cadet suggested "if fish has to be served, why not lobster?" Can you imagine 1 requesting permission to qualify in lobsters—Yipe.

Two items from our 20 July '70 Class meeting notes are worthy of reproduction here—"George **Hoge** reviewed the financial report covering the 25th Reunion. The recorded loss of $570 may be diminished somewhat by the sale of additional reunion buttons"—button collectors contact Skip **Hoge** without delay for discount rates. 2d item—"Harvey **Boyd** reviewed the status of the Memorial Fund. There appears an obvious necessity to readvertise the fund." Consider this mention, said readvertisement. If you have not sent in your $50, please do so soon, since this is our only way of helping needy class children with educational assistance.

IN MEMORIAM. George **Casey's** passing was noted only briefly in the Summer ASSEMBLY since the Class Column had already been dispatched to WP. I am unable to

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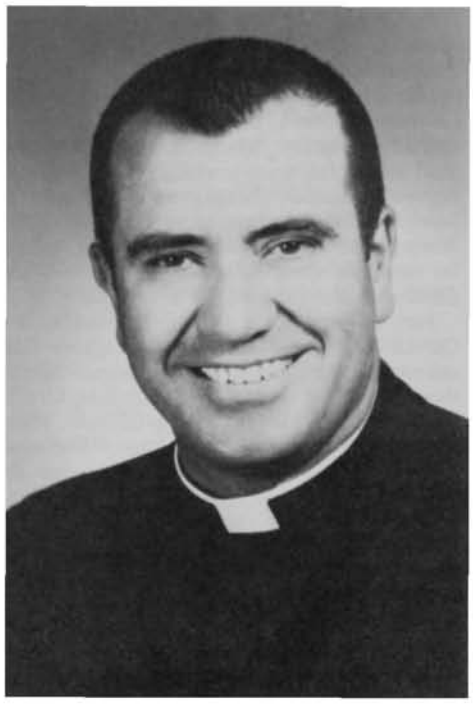
describe the sadness that fell over all of us as we walked behind Elaine and the children to George's resting place—directly below the Kennedy gravesite—on 23 July. We have lost a giant among men, and I commend to you the words of House Republican William Anderson, Ill., to express the tribute of a man who knew George only a few days when he said, "I think the tragedy of this war is demonstrated very dramatically by the news I heard this morning that GEN **Casey**, who is CG of the 1st Air Cav, is missing in action. The unit that was engaged so effectively in the Fishook Opn. Members of our group, including myself, were with GEN **Casey** in the air and on the ground, on the 29th, Saigon time, observing the withdrawal and detraction of his last units. I was more impressed with GEN **Casey** than any military person I met in the whole area. I came away feeling here is a man who is almost bound to end up as C/S of the Army and probably he will go further than that. Here he is tragically missing in action." Elaine is at home at 30 Ocean Ave., North Scituate, Mass.

PERSONS TO BE DECORATED. Harry **Drake** has been decorated with his 2d award of the AM for air action in SEA. Harry was cited for his outstanding airmanship and courage on successful and important missions completed under hazardous conditions. Jack **Nelson** has been recognized for helping his unit earn the USAF Outstanding Unit Award and cited for exceptionally meritorious service during the period 1 Jan. '68 to 31 Dec. '69. Ralph **Ford** received his 2d LM for outstanding services to the U. S. while serving in the Office of the Secy of the AF. Ralph is now assigned as the Asst for Space Trans System at AF Systems Command at Andrews AFB. Kelton M. **Farris** was promoted to BG and decorated with the LM for his achievements as Cmdr of the 374th Tactical Airlift Wing at Naha AFB, Okinawa. Ray **Cavanna** was awarded the LM (see photo) for service as Dir of the SENTINEL Central Tng Facility at Ft. Bliss, Tex.

CLASS SONS AND DAUGHTERS. Ten sons, Class of '74, joined the Corps on July 1st. Don **Fowler** reports from USMA that as of 26 Aug. all 10 were preparing to draw books and dumpy levels. Hats off to our new Plebes; Lawrence R. **Adair** (T.F.G. **Adair**), Jonathan P. **Adams** (C.E. **Adams**), Timothy C. **Curtis** (T.H. **Curtis**), Thomas A. **Gandy** (C.L. **Gandy**), Thomas E. **Gleason** (T.R. **Gleason**), James Mac Mahan **Hogan** (H.F. **Hogan**), Thomas T. **Kane** (F.B. **Kane**), Kerry R. **Parker** (Fred C. **Parker** III), Robert T. **Troxell** (R.T. **Troxell**), Christopher B. **White** (C. M. **White**). Currently preparing at Ft. Belvoir's USMA Prep School are 3 soldiers shooting for the Class of '75—Tom **St. Onge** (R.J. **St. Onge**), Jim **Hughes** (H.T. **Hughes** Jr.), and David **McChrystal** (H.J. **McChrystal** Jr.). Audrey **Gatlin** sent word from the AF Academy that **Jesse** and Bill **Jarrell** made the Class Medallion presentation to Christopher **Johnson** (M.O. **Johnson** Jr.) USAFA Class of '70. CPT Jesse C. **Gatlin** III (USMA '68) is en route to SEA at this writing. In this age of Women's Liberation I am pleased to report that the following daughters have followed in their mothers' footsteps as wives in the straight society—Cathy **Fowler** (June); Linda **Hall** (July); Karen **Adair** and Roberta **Josey** (Aug.). Class congratulations to you all. Gordon H. **Shumard** Jr. is working on his Master's Degree at Auburn while brother Jim is a sophomore at Southwestern in Memphis. Football season opened at Bad Kreuznach, Germany, on 29 Aug., and John **Rattan**'s Chargers lost



1945: Gabby Shumard—First 45er to make Vicar.

a 1 touchdown decision to Jim **McGovern**'s Vikings. John and Jim are among the last of our 9 yr. olds. I am most happy to report on the achievement of our Class offspring, so please keep me posted in this regard.

ODDS AND ENDS. Many thanks to Audrey **Gatlin** for her newsy letter from Colo. Springs where she reports that Jesse is now the Head of the English Dept at USAFA: Bill **Jarrell** continues as the Registrar, and Jack **Nelson** holds forth as Vice Cmdt of Cadets. Bob **Lochry** was scheduled to head up the Math Dept in Sept. The Rev. Gordon H. (Gabby) **Shumard**, Vicar of Saint Matthias Episcopal Church in Toccoa, Ga. (see photo) was ordained in '68 and has been holding forth in Army Ranger country ever since. Gabby and Mary invite classmates to visit on their way South on I85, just below the S.C./Ga. border. Don **Fowler** reports that the Howitzer Studios are mailing the Class Reunion photos on 15 Sept. Jesse H. **Johnson** has assumed duties as Chief of the AF intelligence unit at Naples, Italy. Les **Ayers**, Ernie **Ferguson**, and John **Forbes** graduated from the NRI course at the AWC. Bob **Parr** is now in his mid-course resident phase at NRI. Rolfe **Hillman**, my news source at Carlisle, sends me very garbled and innocuous information—but from his most recent batch I sifted the following—Jan **Krebs** and Phyllis **White** are in the local area awaiting return of some relatives from VN. Lou **Schelter** has moved to Ft. Totten (with premature star) where he will run the N. Y. region of the Defense Dept Contracting business. (45ers in mufti—members of the now well known complex, please note). Bob **Dingeman** has checked in for duty at AWC. **Hillman** also reports that the Lurline sailed on 15 Oct. '45 (Bette **Root** please copy); Larry **Jones** (BG) moved to the 1st Armd Div, Ft. Hood on 14 Sept. S. K. **McMurdo** has been posted to the IG Section, Hq. USARPAC, where he will be inspecting some of Andy **Gatsis**' forces. Dick **Boberg** is now with the US Delegation (IMS) NATO Mil Committee.

Dick **Perez** retired 1 Aug. from SAC and now lives in Cockeysville, Md. Charles **Carter** retired on 1 July and is now employed by Computer Sciences Corp. at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. Hank **Warren** was announced as the new CO of the 67th Tac Recon Wing at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho. Jim **Root** retired on 1 July and is now at Route 3, Box 715, Carmel, Calif. Speaking of Jim **Root**, I have had numerous phone calls since the last column calling my attention to having mistaken Walt for Jim. All collectors, please make that change in your Summer issue. Snapper **Rattan** is now commanding the 8th Div in Germany. Pat **Powers** (with star) will move shortly from C/S I FF VN to a command job in Europe. Tom **Gleason** came through with loads of information from Cape Kennedy, where he is the Dir of Info Systems under Ray **Clark**. Ray is the No. 3 man in the Space Center—responsible for everything connected with the launches of SATURN Vs that Rocco Petrone '46 is not, including getting the space vehicle to the pad, supplying all the propellants and gases, and running all the television, telephones, telemetry, computers, instrumentation, metrology, meteorology, and Lord knows what else. Not bad work for an old Artyman who always was very adept at levelling the bubble in the aiming circle.

Bud **Mallory** is an RCA exec. in their operations as a contractor for the AF Eastern Test Range—living in Indialantic, Fla. Dick **Huseby** teaches Math on Cocoa Beach. Chuck **Kundsen** and Quentin **LaPrad** are both retired and working for Bendix and Boeing as aerospace engrs at Cape Kennedy. Saw Bob and Jerry **Woods** at Linda **Hall**'s wedding July. They also were at WP in Aug. for Karen **Adair**'s wedding. Speaking of **Adair**—Ted reports that '45 still dominates the WP Society of N. Y. where he is Pres., Jack **Lawrence** 1st VP, Bob **Harmon** 2d VP, and Bill **Bess** joins the above 3 on the Board of Governors. Alice and I drove down for Roberta **Josey**'s wedding on 29 Aug. at Scotland Neck, N. C., where we saw—in addition to Kitch and Linn—Andy and Alice **Gatsis** (leaving the next day for Hi.) and John and Betty **Graham**. A good time was had by all. Les **Ayers** has checked in twice from European points. From London he and Audrey reported having visited Bob and Carole **Barton** at Glendale, Hatch Lane, Liss, Hants, England, On to the continent where they saw Nancy **McGovern** (living in Bad Kreuznach while Russ is in VN) and Snapper and Jane **Rattan**. While visiting **Ayers** Kasern (named in honor of Les **Ayers**' father) in Kirch Goens, they visited our daughter and son-in-law, Jeanne and Cor Westerhoff (USMA '69), who are stationed in this Hessian bastion. That about covers things for this issue—keep the mail coming and remember the Memorial Fund.

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Perhaps you recognized Sam **Walker** in the picture on p. 35 of the Summer '70 issue of ASSEMBLY. Sam is leading the swearing-in of the Class of '74, his back to the camera, standing at the podium on Battle Monument. In the ranks of the Plebes being sworn in are sons of Frank **Palmatier**, Ed **Houseworth**, Charley **Barker**, Roger **Lengnick**, Sam **France**, Wade **Kingsbury**, and Jim **Inskeep**. I had the opportunity to spend the day at the Point and also witnessed the swearing-in. Ethel and I sat with Roger and Ginny during Orientation Assembly in Thayer Hall. We heard the Supe, Dean, and Com speak, as

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1946: Bill Yancey receiving LM from GEN G.S. Brown, Tan Son Nhut AB.

well as a member of the Cadet Honor Committee. Also personally saw and spoke to Frank, Ed, and Charley. I was informed that Wade and Jim's boys were entering. From a recent conversation with my son Bill, I will quote—"Dad, the Corps of today is not the Corps you knew." Amen!!

Two members of the class, Art **Bugh** and Carcie **Clifford**, graduated 2 Jul '70 as part of the 1st group to participate in the U.S. AWC Non-Resident Instruction Course at Carlisle Barracks. The course covers 2 yrs., most of which is completed as non-residents of the college and during off duty time. They convene at the WC for 2 short periods during the course. The curriculum follows the same pattern as the regular 10-month resident course. Art is assigned with Natl Security Agency at Ft. Meade, Md. I believe Clifford is stationed in Germany.

Bill (old D-1 Co.) **Simpson** spent a week at Carlisle in June as part of a group of 110 civilians invited to the 16th Natl Strategy Seminar. While there he visited with Dick **Bresnahan**, Bob **Cramer**, Jim **McGarity**, and Ed **Weber**. They spoke of getting together for the Big 25th next June. Bill was honored to be part of the Seminar and feels it was so expertly done that the Army's image was substantially strengthened in the eyes of that particular civilian group. Incidently, Bill is VP of Supervised Investors Services, Inc. with offices in Chicago (120 S. LaSalle St.).

In the last issue I mentioned the fact that Bert **David** is a BG and has been since Aug. '69. Also I noted an address in Pa., which is no longer current. Bert wrote to inform me that he has a home at Stewart Field, Qtrs. 2614-2A, 6th St., Newburgh, N.Y. 12550. This address is for Shirley and sons Scott and Jon (both 12) and Lance (11). Son Bert Jr. is a member of the Class of '71 at the Point. Bert is now Senior Advisor, First Republic of Korea Army and Comdr, Det "L" (Provisional) in Korea.

Warren **Hearnes**, Governor of Mo. (see p. 41 Summer '70 ASSEMBLY) has been voted Chairman of the Natl Governors' Conference for 1970-71. This is indeed an honor since it was fellow governors of both political parties who did the voting. The Governor will be the natl spokesman for all the states in their campaign to improve relationship and programs with the federal government. No doubt we'll be reading more about Hearnes in the papers. From this small station, I wish him our best. I know Warren will do an exceptional job.

In the last issue I noted that Pres. Somoza was in Japan for Nicaragua Day at Expo 70 in Osaka. The only classmate able to join him was Bob **Land**. Bob was then with Gulf Oil in Tokyo. He now is at Gulf Oil, Sperry Rand Bldg., 1290 Ave. of Americas, N.Y. 10019. Tacho and Bob along with their wives and children had an informal blast at the Gaslite Club in Tokyo on 6 June. The previous evening a formal reception was held for the Pres. Bob mentioned that Tacho is looking forward to meeting next June at WP for the Big 25th.

Moving from Hq AF South in Naples to USACEUR, SHAPE as GEN Goodpaster's Mil Asst is Dave **Peters**. The effective date was approximately 25 July '70. Dave replaced Mike **Sanger** who is going to a bde in the 4th Armd Div. Incidently, John **Stannard** is wearing his Stars and is taking over at Hq AF South as Asst C/S for Plans and Policy. Dave met John on an orientation trip just before Dave's departure.

The new CO, Inf Center Hq Command, Ft. Benning is Bob **Richmond**. Bob had been Comdr, 2d Tng Bd and dpty Comdr of Hq Command. He and Betty along with Susan and young Bob reside at 407 Wickersham Ave. Their oldest daughter Lyom is married and living in Newport News, Va.

A 2d LM has been awarded to Bill **Yancey** for his leadership of the 31st Tac Fgt Wing flying F-100 Super Sabres out of Tuy Hoa AB, VN. Bill's tour started in Aug. '69. Yancey has been reassigned as an asst dpty dir for AF development in the directorate of plans at Hq, USAF.

Just prior to my deadline I received a color negative showing Ken **Chapman** receiving his 1st Star from LTG O. G. Glasser and Mary **Chapman**. The ceremony took place 1 Aug. '70 in Wash. LTG Glasser is DC/S, R&D Hq, USAF and is Buck **Buckingham's** boss. Buck sent the poop. Ken is now DC/S, Development Plans, AF Systems Command, Andrews AFB. Congratulations to Ken. Buck is on his last leg of a 4 yr tour at the Pentagon and is currently Asst for RDA Programming.

Start making your plans to be at WP next June. Get your 25 yr. book orders and biographical sketches with photos to Dave **Colaw**, 6401 Old Dominion Dr., McLean, Va. 22101 before Jan. '71. But before that—BEAT NAVY!

Highlights of our class activity last June included a swearing-in ceremony at the quarters of Sam **Walker** for those sons of the Class of '46 who were graduating with the Class of '70. The class sons to be sworn in were Gilbert **Harper** III, Gerald and John **Minor**, Joe **Reeder**, and Steven **Starner**. Respective fathers were present to assist in the swearing-in ceremony and parents and friends joined in a light brunch before graduation exercises.

Another highlight of June Week '70 was a presentation ceremony at the home of Ed **Saunders** in which the same 5 class sons were presented bookends from the Class of '46 and 1 class son received the Troy L. Hutto Memorial Saber. The saber, awarded for excellence in science and engineering, was won by Gilbert **Harper**. It is presented each year by Merl **Hutto** in memory of his son Troy, who was killed in an accident in Germany in 1968. Sons to be honored at our big 25-year Reunion should include Calvert **Benedict** Jr., Henry **Bolz** III, Bert **David** Jr., Richard **De Moya**, David **Hutchison**, Timothy **Terrill**, and Walton **Walker**.

A final highlight of June 1970 was our Memorial Day presentation of potted plants on the graves of 24 classmates buried at WP. Our honored deceased and years of their death are as follows: Pete **Arend** ('51), Jim **Becker** ('50), Jack **Bennett** ('52), Tom **Blazina** ('57), Bill **Bowley** ('57), Chuck **Brosius** ('53), Bill **Castle** ('51), Harry **Cramer** ('57), George **Dorman** ('69), Paul **Ellman** ('52), Dick **Galt** ('53), Arturo **Gay** ('58), Sam **Grier** ('55), Dick **Hale** ('61), Heff **Hefferon** ('58), Ben **Hill** ('70), Buddy **Hirsch** ('50), Buster **Hughes** ('51), Gene **Melo** ('58), George **Miller** ('69), Earl **Poytress** ('53), Dick **Pohl** ('68), Ray **Wagoner** ('62), and Percy **Wheeler** ('63). We will plan to have a grave decoration ceremony during our 25th Reunion.

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This column might well be entitled, "Notes from a Novice's Cuff." As I scratch my memory and the few notes I have gathered, the thought occurs that my phone number might help those who just don't have time to write. At home it's (703) 941-5424; and in the office, OX 4-3657. Jack **Schuder** passed the pen at Tan Son Nhut in early June, and I have been looking forward to this 1st column ever since. Jack has been Dir of Construction for Engr Command and is scheduled to take over the 937th Engr Gp at Qhi Nhon in Sept. Also seen or heard from around VN just before leaving were Cecil **Fox** at Binh Thuy heading for Air Trng Command; Chuck **Stewart** at VN Natl Defense College, headed for S&F ICAF; George **Maloney**, G3, XXIV Corps, headed for XO to Comptroller of the Army; G. G. **Kent** at Sig Engring Agency Long Binh; Dick **Littlestone** continues to hold forth in J4, MACV; and Jim **Eggers** was a recent arrival to CORDS III Corps at Camp Train near Bien Hoa. On 16 June John **Gerrity** took over the 11th Armd Cav at Dian. New Dpty J3 MACV is Ron **Heiser**. 1 of Ron's 1st actions on arrival was to non-concur in my last 1. Class ties held forth; however, and after some discussion we resolved our differences, and I left happily. In Wash. incidentally, I hold forth at the Highland Bldg. on Columbia Pike, Arlington as Asst Dir of Army Research and CO of the Army Research Office.

Other recent returnees from VN include Gordon **Duquemin**, now Dep CG at Ft. Jackson; John **Hoover**, now XO to ACSC-E; Jack **Jacobson**, Dir of Facilities Engring at Ft. Monroe (with position quarters); Bernie **DeGil** at CDC and occupying quarters on Mackenzie Loop (the Engrs are all green); Mike **Bellovin** also back at his old AF unit at Ft. Belvoir.

Miscellaneous items gleaned from here and there: Bob **Haldane** to Dpty at Ft. Dix; Stan **Tavzel** from VN to US Mil Gp, Venezuela; Harry **Ball** to 3d Bde 7th Div, Camp Casey, Korea; Shelton **Biles** from AWC to DCS Contract Opns, Engr Command, Europe. Congrats to Bill **Coghill** for being in the 1st graduating class of the AWC non-resident course, and to Bob **Lilley** who completed AF helicopter flt trng. Bob can now wear his wings fixed or twirling as he goes to Eglin AFB, Fla. Bill **Coghill** has moved to Ak. as ACS Comptroller for USARAL. Pending moves reported from here and there: Bill **Grant** from OCRD to Dep Proj Mgr on the Main Battle Tank. Bill has already moved the family to Detroit and by the time this sees print will have joined them. Frank **Taylor** scheduled to move from OCRD to CDC where he will replace Jack **Faith**, scheduled for a Bde at Ft. Hood.

Latest retiree is Sam **Starobin** who changed his COL for Mr. while continuing his service as Dir. of General Services for D. C. We hear

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that Mayor Washington doesn't make a move without consulting Sam.

George and Ann **Goldsborough** held a Class party at their home on the Eastern Shore of Md. on the 27th of June, and I'll let Jack **Dunham's** words report: "17 members of the Class was all that could make the trip, but with all the kids the crowd was about a 100 people. 2 of us showed up by boat—Bob **Koch** and me. We had intended to use my boat for rides for the old folks while the kids went water skiing and riding around in the outboards. The winds were so high that we had to restrict the big boats, but it didn't slow down the kids—they had at it anyway. The only really outstanding entertainment was watching Jack **Pearce** trying to get an eel off his son's line—that was really worth watching. Sunday morning when Bob **Koch** opened an eye for the 1st time, he found his boat leaning over against the dock—too much water ran out of the cove and left him hard aground. He finally escaped about noon." I appreciate the time the following took out to add a note to Jack's while at the party: Jack and Lannie **Dunham**, John and Jane **Mastin**, Ann and Jack **Pearce**, Betty and Bill **Reckmeyer**, Eleanor and Tom **Monahan**, Liz and Dick **Rantz**, Jetta and Bill **Kuykendall**, Margot and Bob **Koch**, Pat and Doc **Haskin**, Dixie and Harry **Kain**, Jane and Charlie **Shields**, Ruth and Tom **Benson**, Ruth and George **Harrington**, and Ann and George **Goldsborough**. I guess I really can't complain hearing from all those good people.

The following is quoted in full from a recent Wash. Sunday STAR: "FT. BENNING, Ga. (UPI)—Former Army CPT G. R. Toomer has sharp eyes and a long memory. While on a sentimental visit to his old training grounds, he noticed a street sign "El Carney Road." Toomer recalled it had been "El Caney Road" when he was here in 1943 named in honor of the Spanish-American War battle of El Caney."

As a final note I recently received the following list of classmates whose whereabouts is unknown to the Assn. Would appreciate any information. J. S. **Mallory**, Robert F. **Draper**, Charles A. **Munford**, Jack H. **Ray**, J. D. Naill Jr., Oliver L. **McDougall**, Charles H. **McKnight** Jr., Kenneth M. **Landis**, Robert B. **Moore**, Otis E. **Brannon** Jr., Stuart G. **Force**, Frank J. Kremser Jr., David **Newcomb**, Bill **West**, Leonard A. **Staszak**, John F. **Piepenbrink**, John B. **Reese**, John J. **Lowry**.

Don't forget the 25th is soon. Keep in touch.

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Let me start by wishing you all the very best for the holiday season. And many thanks to those who have written to say what they think of the column. Dick **Stein** sent a very welcome letter. He is the VP for Opns. of the Hochschild Kohn dept store group headquartered in Baltimore. He translates his title into J1/J4. While demanding, he finds the job very rewarding and has enjoyed his association with the firm for the 6½ yrs. he's been with them. The **Steins** live at 1314 Bolton St., Baltimore 21217. Jim **Sandman** headed for SEA upon completion of tour at ICAF. Barbara and family remain here.

Mort and Babs **Mumma** with Anne (19), Morton IV (16), Andrew (14), Robert (10), and **James** (3) in tow, left for Lindsey Air Station, USAFE, after he completed the NWC. Their stay here was all too brief for us. That handsome picture of Mort shows he hasn't aged as some of us have. Jack and Liz **Chitty** also remained in our midst for less than normal time. He is now ROTC Dir at Stetson U., Deland, Fla. They and their 3 offspring reside at 2391 Lake Talmadge Dr., Deland 32720. Jack received his 2d LM for his work as Chief of CDC's Publications and Programs Management Div at Belvoir. Congratulations. We hoped that Irv and Ann **Schoenberg** would come back to Wash., but he was reassigned from Wright Pat to a BG slot at Warner Robins AFB, Ga. Sounds like a good spot to be in. Their address is 4919 Officers Circle West, ZIP 30193.

FYI I, and others who are now in civilian life, received a letter from a group calling itself Concerned Academy Graduates. Their "concern" is, of course, why we don't bring the boys home from SEA now. Among the sponsors are the names of 18 USMA grads, none from '46, '47, or '48. The Class of '63 has the dubious distinction of having 4, closely followed by '44 and '65 with 3. I did a little research on 1 name—bottom of his Class in practically everything, including aptitude for service. One can hypothesize what his true motivations are. Anyway, I did not lend my name or support to their "cause."

The Labor Day Picnic was held at Cameron Station this yr. with a disappointingly small turnout. I cannot fault anyone, since we were unable to go ourselves. I hope we aren't getting too old for such things.

Your opinions are solicited on a matter. How do you feel about names of other than members of this Class appearing in this column? On occasion I have written about persons who are friends of members of '48, or who graduated in other classes. I have some indication that such reporting is not universally liked.

Gay and Betty **MacCartney** are now up New England way at 1 Hawthorne Rd., Winchester, Mass. 01890. After yrs. in a more moderate clime, I trust they have stocked up on foul weather gear.

Ran into Jack **Kastris** at Ft. Myer 1 day. He and Honeywell appear to be doing well. Audrey has their new home at 9418 Delancey Dr., Vienna, Va. 22180, in her accustomed beautiful condition. Bob **Marshall** is now reached at PO Box 351, Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. 17214.

John **Milton** replied to our last mailing from 106 Eames, Ft. Benning, Ga. 31905. The Fred **Chanatrys** have joined us here and now live in Vienna, Va. at 2504 Jackson Parkway. Ed **Rudd** is still at Huntsville, Ala. 35806, 202 Ridgely Place, NW, Apt. A1 (looks like a cadet company).

From lovely Honolulu Phil **Whitney** sends greetings. They live at 4260 Halupa St. Art **Snyder** is 1 of a growing number of classmates in the LA area. He resides at 2804 Westwood Blvd., 90064. Preparing for a trip to San Francisco, I looked for classmates in that area. However, all are either in the LA environs or in the valley, like Danny **Defoe** and Bill **Dougherty**.

Charlie and Emmy **French** report busy times with family, work, and play in Columbus, Ohio. Jim and Bev **Hall** are moving South again, but not all the way back here. Jim has been named VP and Mgr. of Colt's Pryno facility in the Philly area, Bev's home town. Needless to say, their magnificent home in West Hartford sold in record time—1 hour —in spite of a depressed real estate situation there. At last report they were busily househunting in the West Chester—Valley Forge area, and the **girls** were aiming on acquiring a horse.

George Thomas' return address is now Hq, AFSC, SDA, Andrews AFB, Md. 20331. Another safe return from SEA for which we are all thankful. Bob **Cushing** has moved to N. Y. where he is associated with John **Sternburg** in increasing the GNP. Jordy is now in the Virgin Islands. Carolyn's in college, Robert's with Bob, and David is with mother.

In approving a course for 1 of our secys, I happened to examine the material about it. Lo and behold, there was a picture of a lovely instructor, who turned out to be Don **Swenholt's** Frankie. I am chagrined that I didn't know that she is the syndicated columnist of "Southern Style" and "Frankly Feminine" which appear in PROTOCALL magazine and still has time to be on the faculty of the Dept. of Agriculture's Grad School and be a wife and mother too. That's the kind of women's lib which deserves high praise.

The Aug. issue of "Government Executive" magazine carried an article about Bob **Mathis**. He is comdr of the USAF Rome Air Development Center, Griffiss AFB, N. Y. The author identifies Bob, very correctly, as typifying "best of breed" of the new breed of officers nurtured and matured by the U. S. military.

All old (before July '46) C-2 men take note: The new Genl Counsel of DoD, J. Fred Buzhardt, is our own Joe from '46. As I look back on the yr., it has moved rapidly for us: we gained a daughter-in-law, a son-in-law, a granddaughter, and more gray hairs; which more than compensated for what problems arose. May '71 be a great 1 for you and yours.

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This column will be an unusual 1 in that I have received 4 letters from classmates containing a wealth of information. This total equals the sum of the total letters received for the column in the past 6 issues. My thanks to Dave **Bolte**, Bert **Turner**, Pat **Kimball** and Turner **Croonquist** for their help. I should explain that there is a long time lag which often occurs between the receipt of a letter and its publication. Dave **Bolte's** letter arrived 2 weeks after my 1 July deadline for the summer issue which you received the 1st week in Sept. Thus Dave's news will appear in the Fall issue and is almost 6 months old by the time of publication.

Beginning with Dave's news: Bob **Schwarz** commanded the 48th Trans Gp in Long Binh and is due back in Wash. in Aug. for an assignment in the Office, Chief of Trans. George **Hoffmaster** was CO of a Sqdn of the

1949: GEN Slay congratulates Jack Gillette.

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1949: Company H-1 Class of 1949 reunion in Carlisle, Pa., 6-7 June 1970. Left to right, front: Bob Lynch. Seated: Jean Albert, Jean Johnson, Caroline Miller, Adell Lynch, Lotte Bender, Ebba Jo Spettel and Miers Johnson. Standing: Pat Kimball, Chuck Spettel, Jack Bender, Ken Miller and Jack Albert.

11th Armd Cav for 6 months then moved over to the G1 sect of USA VN in Long Binh. George was shot down in a chopper during his Cav tour. He also returns to Wash., possibly to COL Div in OPO. Ted **Hervey** served as G1 1st FF in Nha Tran and has recently been transferred to Ft. Sam Houston at Fourth Army Hq. Lou **Bayard** was C/S of the Delta Mil Asst Command. Jack **Hodes** spent a yr. as Senior Advisor to 22d ARVN Div, then extended as J3 Surface Opns Sec in Saigon and was rumored to be moving to the 5th Mech Div as Bde Cmdr. Wife Alma and all the kids (8) are presently at Clark Field in the Philippines. Joe **Schmalzel** was assigned to the Rural Development Office with the Regional and Popular Forces. Bob **Bradley** served in the Cambodian action with the 11th Armd Cav. Dave **Bolte** was senior advisor to the VN 53d Regt in the 23d Div at Di Linh arriving there after a tour at Camp Polk following 3 yrs. in Germany with the Liaison Mission to the Russians. Dave's wife and 4 children have spent the past yr. in Sycamore, Ill.—thanks again Dave for the fine letter.

Turner **Croonquist** reports his retirement on 31 July and appointment as headmaster of Stuart Hall for Boys, a grammar school in San Francisco. Claire and Turner are looking forward to the SF climate—their oldest son Peter starts at Cal Tech this year, the other boys are in high school and daughter Marianne in grammar school. Frank and Mary **Sarsfield** have also entered retirement life with their 9 children. They are living in San Jose, Calif., where Frank will enter the banking business.

Bert and Vonnie **Turner** report their son Farrant entered the Plebe Class in July, and they availed themselves of the good offices of Jim **Scholtz** who escorted the new Plebe to USMA. What upperclassman would dare to haze him after taking a look at "Big Jim." Turner was to assume command of the 1st Cav Div Arty (AM) in Aug. and was looking forward to once again serving with the unit he served with in Korea. The Turners have been at CINCPAC in Hi. where he claims Larry **Ogden** kept him broke on the golf course. Vonnie will remain in Hi. and urges anyone passing through to please get in touch at Black Point Rd. in Honolulu. Joe **Kingston** after 2 years in VN spent some time with the Turners en route to helicopter school back in the States.

Pat **Kimball** reports on a reunion of the H-1 Co. classmates hosted by the **Lynches** at their farm outside Carlisle, Pa. on 6-7 June 1970. Present were former roommates Miers **Johnson**, Pat **Kimball**, Bob **Lynch** and Chuck **Spettel** along with Jack **Albert**, Ken **Miller** and Jack **Bender** plus spouses. The ostensible excuse was to celebrate 21 yrs. of wedded bliss which has produced 34 offspring. The **Lynches** remain in Carlisle; **Benders** on their way to Ak.; **Alberts** and **Spettels** are in the DC area; **Millers** are in S. C.; **Johnsons** in Paoli, Pa.; and **Kimballs** in Scarsdale, N. Y. Incidentally Sue **Kimball** took the accompanying Photo.

First report from Bill **Gustafson** early in July on the 25th Reunion Memorial Gift had 35 pledges amounting to over $16,000. A good start which I am sure has increased considerably by Sept.; however if you have not forwarded your pledge yet, don't forget Gus' address is 2980 Canterbury Rd., San Marino, Calif. 90018.

1949: Bill Terrell receives DFC.

Charley **Cheever** has been appointed to the Board of Dirs. of the Incarnate Word College in San Antonio. He is one of 2 layman appointed to the Board as the 1st to serve on the Board of this 1,200 student school (all girls). It appears Charley doesn't have enough to do as Pres. of the Broadway Natl Bank, he's also a VP of the Northeast Natl Bank.

Harry **Spillers** was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for his role as opns staff officer in the C-5 Galaxy's 1st operation mission to VN, a mission to demonstrate the C-5 operational capability and to provide orientation and training for personnel who will be involved in subsequent missions. Bob **Springer** is serving as Member Dir of Concept Studies CDC at Carlisle. Bill **Terrell** received the DFC for extraordinary achievement while serving as an aircraft Comdr with the 360th TAC Elect Sqdn in VN. Howard **Strohecker** will become Dist Engr in Savannah, Ga. in Oct. He has been serving as CO of the 160th Engr Gp at Ft. Bragg. Bob **O'Brien** has transferred from DDR&E to Aberdeen as Dir of Electronics Material Testing. Frank **Barnes** has reported for duty as DCS for Civil Engring at Hqs TAC. Frank who scouts for the Kansas City Chiefs in his spare time received a beautiful stickpin and set of cufflinks from that organization, symbolic of their Super Bowl triumph.

Jigger **Gillette** turned in 170 unarmed recon missions, 60 of them over North VN as Comdr of the 45th TAC Recon Sqdn utilizing RF-101 aircraft. This hazardous duty won him a total of 15 decorations including 3 DFC's, the BSM, and 11 AMs. Jack is now at the AF Flight Test Center at Edwards AFB, Calif. as head of the F-111 fighter bomber joint test force. Seth **Day** has been awarded the SS for heroism in action in ground operations in VN as senior advisor to the 53d Regt, 23d Inf Div ARVN. Dave **Arnold** is dir of tech opns at NAKHON PHANOM Royal Thai AB, Thailand. Jim **Coghlan** has been assigned to Hqs. USAREUR and Seventh Army in Germany following graduation from the NWC. John **Mitchell** is presently in VN with J6 MACV. Bob **Noce** has been named as project mgr. for the Sheridan at Rock Island, Ill. Skeeter **Meek** took leave from the Wash. scene in Sept. for duty as PMS&T at Kemper Military. New arrivals in Wash. are Ted **Marley** in the IG's office, Gene **Husdad** at DCPG, Jim **Lampros** back at AMC Hqs, and Jud **Connor** due in from Hi. Don **Keith** had a change in orders and is now the XO for GEN Betts in OCRD. Bob and Wren **Ennis** are just about due in the Philippines as this column is written. Arnold **Winter** with Babbage Resources in LA, Bill **Trautvetter** with COMCET also in LA, and Jim **Willson** with Dean Witter Co. in San Francisco. Basil **Pafe** and Charley **Anderson** are at Harvard for 13 weeks at the Business School—Basil should be right at home with the campus disrupters. Chuck **Wason** had a change of orders and is probably at AFLC Hqs in Dayton, Ohio. Paul **Murray** has retired and is living in Austin, Tex. New Class Officers in the Wash. area are Hill **Dickinson** as Pres., Art **Kingdom** has Social Activities, Van **Vander Voort** is luncheon chairman and Walt **Milliken** and the writer continue our duties as treas. and secy.

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Back in the land of the big PX there's a deadline to meet. So here I sit with my little pile of clippings, notes, etc., to see how much news I have for you. Keep those cards and letters coming, folks.

Had a good letter from Bill **Ward** right after the last column's notes were mailed off. He is VP & Controller of Dun and Bradstreet, Dir. of Scantlin Electronics "and involved in various other business black magic." . . . Bill spent 18 days of active duty with Seventh Army and V Corps in Germany, seeing a lot of Jim **Thompson**, V Corps Engr. He also visited with Chuck **Graham**, XO to CG USAREUR, and Lloyd **Mielens** in the G3 USAREUR shop; Bill said his normal Reserve assignment is with a Civil Affairs Hqs located on the NYU campus in the Bronx. "A normally quiet spot, not yet burned to the ground." . . . . Bill told of Frank **Borman** speaking to the WP Society of N.Y. on 28 Apr. to a packed house at Mama Leone's—the biggest turnout of the Society in yrs. Great to hear from you Bill.

In the last column I mentioned Ray **Maladowitz** was going to Benning. Just before he and Gladys were to leave Carlisle, Ray was called to be a Reg't Tac at WP—so he and the family are settled in up there along with the **Blairs, Camerons, Dielenses, Hoisingtons, Reinharts,** and **Rogerses.** What a place to be for the 20th Reunion!

Ben **Lewis** finished at Carlisle in June and came down to be CO of MERDC at Belvoir. He and Malvene have just moved into quarters on the post so for the time being are renting their home in McLean. There was a fine picture of my old I-1 buddy in the Belvoir CASTLE when he took over his new job.

Two classmates have recently joined the **Hennings** at Aberdeen Proving Ground. George **Morris** heads the US Army Test & Evaluation Command's Test Systems Analysis Directorate, and D. B. **King** is the USATEC's Dir of Materiel Testing. . . . Frank **Henning** is head of the Land Warfare Lab there.

I received a newspaper article about Bob **Cheney** taking command of Tobyhanna Army Depot in Pa. There was a good picture of Bob and his family; he and Gene have 4 boys: Robert Jr. 17, Richard 16, Charles 14, and Owen who is 12.

There was an interesting article in a recent "Army Times" which some of you may have seen. It pointed out that there are 3 **Fye** brothers on active duty who are bird COLs, all in the FA. Our classmate Stan is at Ft. Benning where he is Chief, Combat Support Gp. He and his brothers Bob and John follow a family tradition for their dad is a retired COL—FA of course.

Bob **Gard** has left for N. Y. where he will be part of the Council on Foreign Relations, Inc. . . . Had a nice note from Ken **Moll** as I was sitting down to type this. He is a Research Associate with the Wash. Center of Foreign Policy Research. . . . Dave **Hughes** is C/S 5th Inf Div (Mech) at Ft. Carson, Colo. Dave had a Bn of the 11th Inf before this current assignment.

Sam **Stapleton** just returned from VN—he'll be here in the D.C. area until June '71 when he, Ruth, and the family will go to Argentina; Sam will be the Army Attaché in Buenos Aires. . . . Al **Crawford** returned from VN in Dec. and is here as Dpty to the Dir. of Management Info Systems, OAVCS. Also in the Army's ADP program are George **Fullerton**, John **Wassenberg**, Jim **Curtis**, and Lou **Dixon.**

A few '50-ers have been travelling—Chuck **Graham** was here in July from Germany on business; Tex and Marge **Ritter** came through on their way to Ft. Sheridan (Chicago) where Tex will be Asst Comptroller to Fifth Army; Paul **Triem** was in D.C. for a few days of briefings in July—he is District Engr in Portland, Ore.

Bob **Werner** very thoughtfully caught me up on a lot of our Engr classmates in this area or on Dist assignments around the country. These people often are rather isolated, and tend to be lost as far as the Class is concerned for 2 or 3 yrs. To quote Bob's letter: "I recently saw Burke and Lish **Lee** in Charleston, S. C., where Burke is the Dist Engr. Paul **Triem** and Ellie are living very comfortably just outside of Portland, where Paul has recently taken over the Dist. I hear from time to time from Ray **Hansen** at Buffalo Dist. Denny **Rousch** is at Huntington. Jim **Tormey** recently left OCE where he was working on the Interoceanic Canal and has taken over as Dist Engr at Norfolk; Ann is delighted that they are living once again in the family homestead. Ding **Price** is at Topographic Command in Wash. Marv **Reese** is a recent arrival at the Dir of Mil Constr. Dick **Hunt** is and has been the Public Affairs Officer in the OCE. Eddie **West** recently came through for his orientation; he has taken over Pittsburgh Dist. Ron **Snoke** is the newly appointed Detroit Dist Engr. Ed **Stefanik** has been at New England Div as Dpty for almost a yr. now. Andy **Pick** has recently come up from Ft. Benning to act as Exec to the Special Asst for Civil Functions in the OSA. Saw Jack and Louise **Wagner** when the Chief of Engrs pinned the LM on Jack for his work at Cold Regions Research Engring Lab; he is in VN now." Thanks a million Bob, and I'll mention here that when Bob finished up his yr. in Korea, he came back here to Civil Works Directorate as the Asst Dir for Comprehensive Planning.

Newcomers to D.C. since the last issue: **Banister** (Grady is here, but Bess and the children are remaining in Calif.—they expect to give the airlines a lot of business); Ruth **Gorman** and the children (Paul is in VN); **Jacobsons**; Eileen **Jones** and the youngsters (John is in VN); **Lopers** (again); **Petrees**; **Prices** (Ding); **Reeses**; **Ryans**; R.R. **Whites**; **Wickhams** after only 10 months in Germany (guess the Chairman couldn't manage without him); **Eeks** (Jean has been here; Laurie just finished a tour in Korea) and the **Mangases** (again).

A request came from the AOG asking for addresses for classmates they've lost track of. If any of you know current addresses on these people, please let me know or write the AOG, WP, N. Y. 10996. Not in alphabetical order, here they are: **Ewan, Wondolowski, Fray,** John **Fahy,** W.F. **Pierce, Skove, Kammerer, Nelson, Kessinger, Packer, Rusch, True, Schira, Stuff,** JF **Green, Dodge, Mangum, Hayes,** John J. **Ross.** Some of these have been in this area in recent yrs., but we haven't an address for them, so any help would be greatly appreciated.

In the awards dept: Understand Russ **Glenn** has received an OLC to his LM. . . . Dick **Leavitt** was decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal. . . . Norm **Smedes** was decorated for personal bravery at Udorn Royal Thai AFB for risking his life to assist a pilot from a damaged and burning aircraft; Norm is now at Camp H.M. Smith, Hi.

Only 1 baby to report this time: Heather **Spence** was born in the Spring of '70, but that's all the details I have. Clyde and Marilyn also have another girl Holly who is 7 and a son Kevin who is 12.

Information on retirees is sparse in some cases, but here's what has filtered through: Hunt **Passmore** retires 31 Aug. '70 and will move to Storrs, Conn.; Lou **Genuario** now has his own construction co. here in Alexandria, Va.; Frank **Howard** works for Anthony and Cleopatra, Cosmetics, and is setting some kind of record for sales in this area having won a Cadillac the 1st week he was on the job; Chuck **Newcomb** is with the N. Y. Life Insurance Co.; Bill **Aman** is with Home Life Insurance Co.; Dick **Kramer** has retired to Lansing, Mich.; Mort **Ray** and Jack **Scandling** have recently retired; Paul **Vanture** is a Legislative Asst to Rep. Green of Ore.; Roy **Easley** is here with the Assn. of Maximum Service Telecasters; Jim Howell is a recent retiree; George **Klie** is a teacher in the Prince George's County Public School System; Pete **Nibley** is with the Social Service Admin; Jim **Ross** is with Carswell, Vandiver & Asso. here in this area . . . I'd really like to hear from any of you I haven't included.

The reunion at WP the weekend of 23-25 Oct. promises to be great. It will be well behind us when you receive this, but Lou **Genuarios** has asked me to remind you not to forget the 20-50 book. If you haven't sent in your picture and write-up yet, sit right down and get with it. Send it to your co. rep, to Lou (2300 Candlewood Dr., Alexandria, Va. 22308) or to me; if you send it to me, you'd better include some news for the Class column. . . . I'm sure most of us realize what a mountainous task it is for the people getting out the 20-50 book, but we tend to procrastinate—and it isn't fair to those who have the responsibility for getting it all put together. Right now in Sept., co. reps. are trying to track down, person by person, those who have not returned the forms mailed out in May. If you get the poop to us in Jan., we probably will be able to get it in, but that's the last chance; there will be no further appeals. The book will be only as good as all of us help to make it; let's not have any empty spaces this time.

The group in VN continually changes. John **Jones** is the SJS with MACV in Saigon. **Barnes, Franklin** (1st Cav), **Gorman** (1st Bde, 101st Abn), **Joy** (CORDS), Jim **Lee** (G3, XXIV Corps), Howard **Mitchell** (Asst to Lee), **Parsons** (Log Asst MACV), **Saalberg** (MACV), **Small** (MACV), Rufe **Smith, Tilson** (G2, II FF), **Tuttle, Wagner** (Engr. Sec. I FF), and **Zavitz** are new arrivals since the last issue. Paul **Wood** and Bob **McCutchen** are based in Thailand, Paul at Takhli AFB and Bob at Udorn AFB.

We have more Class sons at WP. Those who entered this summer: Fred **Borman, Jon Irons,** Jim **Mitcham,** Allan **Rogers,** Skip **Scott.** That brings our grand total to 9, for Mark **Hanna** Jr., Bill **Miller,** Jay **Wheaton,** and Charles **Wilson** entered in '69.

Before I forget it, in mentioning the mini-reunion in the last issue, somehow Mal and Frani **Johnson's** names were left out of the list of those who attended that fun-filled weekend. Sorry about that. Mistakes keep one humble, and I wonder how humble I'll be after the next issue when writing about THE weekend in Oct.

Joe **Love** has begun the Officers' Rotary Wing Aviation Course in Tex. . . . Phil **Bardos** is VP & Gen'l. Mgr. of the Birtcher Corp. in Los Angeles; he and Sandy were in D.C. for the Sept. class party. . . . Had a nice letter from Ann **Holt** who is marking time in Colum-

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bus, Ga. with their 4 youngsters until Hugh returns in late Oct. . . . A note from Sally **Tilson** told me George had had lunch with Lin **Mather** and Dick **Ewan**—and that reminds me of the Assn's plea for addresses mentioned above; how about it, Dick?

On 11 Sept. there was a terrific '50 party at Belvoir hosted by Mark and Gloria **Jones**, Sid and Jeanie **Steele** and Andy and Doris **Byers**. No one wanted to go home, they were having such a good time. Here's last minute news gleaned from people there: Lou and Elaine **Dixon** said they saw Lois and Bill **Slavins** in Boca Raton, Fla. where Bill has retired . . . Falkner **Heard** is the Army Attaché in Belgium . . . Rufe **Smith** had a good visit with Will Hill and Theda **Tankersley** in Montgomery, Ala. in Aug. . . . Rene and Charlotte **Wolf** were here in Sept.; Rene is Post Engr. at Fitzsimons Gen'l Hospital in Denver—Charlotte has her Ph.D. in Sociology and has written a book. . . . Dick **Leavitt** is now the Wing Comdr of 432d Wing at Udorn Royal Thai AFB; Anne passed this on plus the word that Phyllis **Brunson** is in Newport News while Bolo is in VN—and that Dot **Gabriel** is in Oxford, N.C., while Charlie is at March AFB in preparation for going to SEA in the spring of '71. . . . Lu **Rising** is at the Anacostia Language School here; he and Sue will go to the Netherlands next June where Lu will be the Army Attaché. . . .

I must end these notes with unfortunate news. On 15 Aug. Christine **Davis**, Reed and Peggy's 18-yr.-old daughter, died of hepatitis at Walter Reed. Peggy and Reed can be reached at Box 53, Stu Det USAWC Carlisle Barracks, Pa. 17013. . . . On 5 Sept. Leroy (Don F.) **Shreve** died of a heart attack in Coti, Wyo. Unfortunately I have no address for Peg and the children. I know you all join with me in sending our heartfelt sympathy to both of these families in their enormous loss.

As this issue reaches you, Christmas will be close at hand. I hope it will be a wonderful holiday for you all. If you have a minute, drop me a line and let me know your latest news, for the next deadline is 4 Jan. '71. . . .

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My sincere thanks to everyone for the overwhelming response to the requests for information! In the event you have sent in your questionnaire or written a letter after mid-September (the deadline for this issue), the poop will appear in the next Class column—but keep the info coming!

Again, if you haven't heard from me by the time this column is in print—or by the time the last 1 was out for all except those who have letters being forwarded through several addresses—please drop me a line. If I had your address, you would have heard from me.

Al Akers is here with Martha (Frank '57, Martha '62) in the SGS Office following graduation from ICAF last summer with a Master's in International Affairs. Before that Al chaired the Special Studies Gp in the Office of the Chairman, JCS. Others departing ICAF were Hank **Evans** to DDR&E, Stan **Sheridan** to JCS, Bill **Lackman** to OSD (ISA), and Frank **Sheriff** to WSEG.

Dick and Karin **Allen** have checked in from Princeton, Ky., close to Ft. Campbell. They, with Liesa '52, Sarah '54, and Carrie '62 would welcome calls from classmates. Bill

1951: Pat Lynch awarded the LM for service as the BUSHMASTER Project Manager (Vehicle Rapid Fire Weapons Systems) from July 1965 until Aug. 1969, with MG Willard Pearson, Lois, and daughter Shannon.

and Margie **Allen** (Petey '53, David '58) are in Wash. with the Research Institute USAETL. Dick has completed his course work toward a Ph.D. in Astronomy at Georgetown.

Eric **Antila** retired on 31 Dec. of last yr. but has checked in from Hayward, Calif. Lauren and Jean **Ashley** (Susan Kay '52, Paul '53) are looking forward to Lauren's return from his duty as Senior Advisor to the 41st ARVN Regt next Jan. Jean is staying with family in Chippewa Falls, Wis. John and Ann **Ballard** (Amy '53, John III '57, William '59) are in Sunnyvale, Calif. John is CO of Det 19, AFPR-UTC now, and was Exec of the Directorate of Aircraft & Missile Test at Holloman prior to taking over his present tasks. John reports seeing Bruno **Giordano**, and reports he looks as fit as ever. Gio and Betty (Carrie '56, Tony '59) in turn add having seen Howie **Williams** and Howie **Peckham**, as well as Jack **Price** and Dan **Barnes** at Laafs, Calif., where Gio is now assigned—having left his fascinating job as Chief of Astronauts in the Manned Orbiting Lab Program.

Reb **Barber** has assumed CO of the 525 MI Gp in VN and as such covers the entire country. He reports having seen John **Cousins**, the DMAC Engr in Can Tho; John **Hook** as XO of the 3d Bde, 9th Div; and Bill **Thomas**, who is province Senior Advisor for Long An. Mitzi **Thomas** is living in Bangkok and has been able to visit Bill in Ian An! Elmer **Pendleton** was G3 of II FF, and Reb noted that Bill **Bradley** had come back to the States after having commanded both DISCOM and a bde in the 101st—Bill's now in DCSPER here at DA. Shy **Meyer** has departed VN for a yr. of study at Brookings Institute—guess the Army wants smart brigadiers. Reb also noted that Bill **Richardson** and Bill **Louisell** were on the way to take over bdes (and have done so), while Dick **Harris** is slated for a DISCOM slot.

Dan and Joan **Barnes** (Caroline '58, David '61, Melissa '68) checked in from Palos Verdes Peninsula, where Dan is at AFSCF following a tour with the 1st Air Commando Sqdn in Thailand, and Cambridge Research Lab. Bill and Ruth **Barnett** (Bill Jr. '57, Carolyn '59, Hall Farmer '61, Mary '66) are in Henderson, N. C., where Bill is with Rose's Stores, Inc. Jim and Gus **Barron** (Jim III '52, Peggy '54, Michael '55, John '57, Pat '60, Robert '61, Paul '64) live in Alexandria, convenient to Jim's duty with the JCS alternate CP at Andrews. Cappy and Florence **Bernstein** are in Brooklyn with Marc Allen '54; Ruth '58; and Jim '61. Cappy has been practicing law there since '57 and notes a probable move to secy to a Supreme Court Judge in the near future. Cappy noted that Joe **Fleming** has been practicing law in NYC and living in Staten Island, and that he and Florence see Al and Elaine **Lichtenberg** several times a yr.—Al's oldest son is now in his 2d yr. at college.

Dave and Dorothy **Betts** (John '52, David '55, Mark '57) have reported to Paris, where Dave is Consul General—this follows State assignments in Saigon, Palermo, Budapest, San Jose, Frankfurt, and Ankara—and, most recently, the Foreign Service Institute, where Dave brushed up on his French. Lou and Mildred **Bretzke** (Lou '52, Craig '53, Dale '54, Lance '58) are at Moody AFB, where Lou is Chief of the Opns Div DCOO. John **Brown** (Sharan '52, John III '54, Deborah '56, Laura '58, Nancy '61, Peter '66) is with Boeing in Bellevue, Wash. John and Peg **Byers** (Susan '52, Leslie Anne '56, Daniel '60) checked in from Germany, where John has the 1st Bde, 4th Armd Div. He reports that he's "exhausted, frustrated, busy as hell, and loving every minute of it." He also noted that Barney **DeRamus** has the 3d Bde in Bamberg, and Bob **Rachek** is Dpty CO at Grafenwohr.

Chuck and Jackie **Canham** (Karen '52, Charles III '54, John '55) are back at USMA, where Chuck is Asst to the Supe—you may have received a letter from him about funds. Dave and Jane **Carroll** (David '60) are here in DCSOPS—I guarantee Dave's busy, since his office is across the hall from mine. Lew and Marilyn **Casbon** (Cynthia '52, Michael '53, Jon '56, Linda '59) are in Colo. Springs, where Lew is Comptr XO at ARADCOM. Clyde and Fran **Cocke** (Clyde '55, Danese '57, Katherine '61) live in Rialto, Calif., where Clyde's with AVCO. Son Clyde has excelled, winning the Ben Kolb scholarship award in his school last yr. Peyt and Ann **Cook** (Peyton E. '57, David '58, Christopher '60) are in Fayetteville, where Peyt is with Det 2, 1st Special Opns Wing at Pope AFB. Ralph and Anne **Cooper** (Paul '52, Mark '56, Erin '59, Michelle '60) reported in from Tex., where Ralph is with the Government Contracts Dept. of Tex. Instruments.

Pat and Eleanor **Corrigan** (Pat III '53, Christopher '56, Kathleen '57, Paula Ann '61) are in Albuquerque, where Pat is the Asst for Programs in the USAF Weapons Lab at Kirtland. Deacon and Joan **Crowe** (Leigh Ann '53, Charles '57, Allison '59) are here in D. C.; Charlie's with OSD (PA) following command of an Arty bn in VN. Matt **Collins** (Bill '57) owns his own consulting firm, Conley Assoc., Inc. in Chicago. Earl and Carolyn **Collins** (Carolee Ann '62, Douglas '64), are reunited following a tour with 7th AF HQ. Earl's now Asst Dir of Advertising at HQ USAF Recruiting Service, Randolph AFB. Jim and Janet **Cox** are in Memphis with (James '59, John '62, and Mark '70), where Jim is practicing law as the 2d half of Krivcher & Cox—and looking forward to the 20th Reunion. Bill and B.J. **Crouch** are at Carlisle with Debbie '55, together with Red and Patsy **Forrester**; Ed and Gert **Peloquin**; John and Margie **Hemler**; John and Wencke **Schweizer**, and Dan and Noreen **Wardrop**.

John and Peggy **Cunningham** (Michael '54, Mary Jane '55, William '58, John '67) are in Los Angeles (Gardena), where he's with HQ SAMSO, SMRD, LAAFS—with his oldest son aspiring toward Annapolis! John and Mar-

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garet **Daigh** (David, Olivia, Bob) are at USMA—David with the Class of '74. John's with the Dept. of Mech. Dewey and Kitty Lou **Detar** (D. Scott '52, Kathy '53, Todd '58, Linda '61, Lisa '62) are in Pottstown, Pa., where Dewey has been with Firestone since 1960; their oldest son entered Lehigh this yr.

Mike and Angie **Davis** (Michael '61, Lee '66, Robert '67) have checked in from Ohio State where Mike will remain until the summer of 1971 when he plans to retire and continue for a DBA at Fla. State. Mike also noted that he occasionally talks to "another goat," Pete **Clay**, in Pete's role as customer rep. for Merrill, Lynch in Atlanta. Stick with it; we goats will have our day! Al and Jean **Esser** (Laura Jean '58, Linda Ann '61, Patricia Lynn '62, Gerald Allen '65, Mary Beth '67) are in Hi., where Al is with the CINCPAC staff—hoping to remain until the summer of '71. He reports that Roscoe **Robinson** and Ed **Markham** are with J5; John **Granicher** left J2 last summer to work on a Ph.D. in Geodesy, and Bucky **Harris** left PAC for VN about the same time. Al travels a bit and also saw Jim **Pitts**, who is in J3 of the COMUSKOREA staff.

Hank **Evans** left the AWC last summer but hasn't advised of his current status. Where are you, Hank? Dan **Foldberg** has checked into DCSOPS and joined the midnight oil bunch. Dan's even had Sel **Graham**, who retained his reserve status and managed to become a mobilization designee with DCSOPS for a couple of weeks last Aug., with him in his shop—all in the family. Sel's at Midland, Tex., as an attorney with Humble Oil and offers an open door for classmates in the area; Pat is still keeping him on the straight and narrow, and they are accompanied by Seldon; Kyle and Laurie. From Montgomery and the Air WC, Steve **Galligan** and Eleanor (Lynn '53, Mary '56) report no classmates at the Air WC; however, Steve did run into Hal **Schultz**, who is assigned at Maxwell. From Ft. Campbell, George and Pat **Gardes** (Michele '59, Mary '60, Catherine '61, Patricia '62, Elizabeth '64, George '69) report that George has turned over his bn, and assumed the duties of the Dir of Persl and Community Activities. George noted having seen Joe **Rawlings** in Nashville last Mar.; otherwise no classmates.

In the best tradition of the Redlegs, Charlie and Blanche **Gildart** (Leslie '62, Charles R. '64) report from the HQ 4th Bn 76th Arty. Charlie noted, at the time this went to press, that he expected to depart in Nov. for parts unknown. John and Barbara **Granicher** (Elizabeth '62, Susan '63, Katy '69) are back at the student life in West Lafayette, Ind., where the Army is attempting to add to John's talents with work in Photogrammetry. Bill **Grugin** is with Advisory Team 75, 10th RCAT with an anticipated return to the States for duty in about the time frame when this reaches publication. Betty has remained in Hopkinsville with Kim ('54) and Robin ('55). Bill reports having seen Roland **Tausch**, the Senior Advisor at Vinh Long; Ed **Matney** at DMAC; John **Cousins**—who replaced Joe **Smith**—at DMAC Engr Advisor.

Dick and Jackie **Guidroz** (Marilyn '53, Michael '55, Leanne '57, Glenn '61, Linda '63) are in Tucson, where Dick commands the 4456 Combat Crew Trng Sqdn at Davis Monthan AFB. Apparently Dick likes Tucson and keeps returning there to his current—6 horses and 2 boats. No wonder! Moving elsewhere—anywhere—would be a hardship tour.

Dick and Jean **Haggren** (Wendy '53, Cinda '54, Ricky '57, Karen '62) are here in D. C. with OASD (SA) in Tactical Air Programs—quite a change from Korat, 1 yr. ago. Another counselor at law—we seem to have quite a few in the class, must reflect Black '51's needs—is Gabby **Hartnett**. (Edward '58, Sean '60, Brian '61, Kathleen '63, James '66) in Port Washington, N. Y. Gabby is still plugging along as Pres. of J. B. Schaefer Industries and reports his military skills being utilized with the Boy Scouts.

Buck and Pat **Harris** dropped a note before Buck departed to take over DISCOM of the 1st Cav about 1 Oct., leaving Pat with Sandra ('54) and Jill ('58) here in the States. George and Shirly **Harman** have now definitely joined the retired list with Larry ('52), Christine ('56), and Patricia ('65). George is with Goodwill Industries in Jacksonville, Fla., and noted that he had lunch with Russ **Walthour**—and that Russ denies running for the mayor of Jacksonville! Hal and Jeri **Headlee** (Christopher '57, Kevin '61, Kelly—daughter —'65) are at McGuire AFB, where Hal is with the 15th Weather Sqdn. He reports that John **Samotis** is opns O of the 21st Weather Sqdn at Torrejon, Spain; Don **Kasum** is a project engr for Westinghouse in New Wilmington, Pa.; and Hal further notes that he would be pleased to hear from classmates passing through McGuire en route to Europe —724-2100, ext. 2181 at McGuire. Gerry and Bobby **Hendricks** are here in the D.C. area and moved into quarters at Andrews last summer (Karen '54). Gerry's with HQ AFSC (SDA) after a yr. in VN.

Ken and Estelle **Herring** (Elaine '57, Lawren '62) are at Ft. Ord, where Ken has the 4th Bn, 3d Bde. Charlie **Knapp** and Des **O'Keefe** are in the 2d Bde, and Ken also noted having seen George **Gividen**; George is with Litton Industries and is also an elected member of the Monterey Peninsula Unified School Dist. Roy and Mary Ann **Herte** (Kelly Ann '60, Diana Marie '62, Roy III '65) are here with DIA following Roy's tour as CO of the 3/7 Inf in the 199th LIB in VN. Also here in the D. C. area are Ken and Marge **Hite** (Suzanne Ware '52, Robert Douglas '54, Holly Grace '57) far from tac fighters, and buried in the NE Asia Branch, Far East Div of the JCS following graduation from the NWC last summer—Ernie **Piexotto** and Bob **Yerks** graduated in the same class.

Another DCSOPS family, Lane and Virginia **Holman** (Laura Ann '59, Linda Elaine '61, Lisa Virginia '65) joined the mob here after Carlisle's graduation last summer. John **Hook** dropped a short note last Aug.—he was in Tan An as XO of the 3d Bde, 9th Div and enjoying it. Pat and the kids were in Highland Falls. John noted having run into Bill **Bradley**, Elmer **Pendleton**, Tom **Woodley**, and Reb **Barber** off in the hinterlands. Tom and Inge **Horgan** (Bernard '55, Erich '58, Verna Jean '60) are in Wayland, Mass. where Tom has spent the last couple of yrs. with Inforex. He noted that Pete **Foss** came home to Mass. in May and picked up Marie and the kids—Herb and Dolores **Roth**, and Tom and Inge were looking after Pete's family—but now Pete & Co. are at Ft. Benning, where Pete has the task of Press Relations for the My Lai trials. Tom also added that he runs into Chuck **Satuloff** at all the computer shows —Chuck has an electronics distributing firm on Long Island—and he and Bruce **Elmblad** see Gabby **Hartnett** now and then; Gabby's conglomerate makes among other things, office furniture. Tom also saw Buzz **Aldrin** during a recent visit to Houston.

Bob and Dottie **Howes** (Robert '54, Margaret '56, Scott '60) checked in from El Paso, where Bob was with the Air Defense School. By the time this gets into print Bob will have retired—it was to be either 30 Sept. or 31 Oct., depending on the timing of the retirement physical. Bob recently saw Bill **Spence**; Bill is USAR and pulled his 2 weeks at Bliss but normally lives in Austin where he's with the Internal Revenue. Bob and Tinkey **Hyatt** (Robert Jr. '55, Catherine '58, Helen '61, Beverly '62, Charles '66) finished the NWC in '69 and then went to SACSA in the JCS. Also in D. C., Sully and Jamie **Johnson** (Carolyn; Ross) are with HQ USAF (AFRDQRT—whatever that is) following a tour in Thailand. Sully recently had lunch with Mac **McLean**, who is back from VN and assigned to OCRD.

Russ and Mary **Johnson** reported in from the 70-71 class at Carlisle (Shala '52, Cathalynn '52—twins—Russ '54, Merry '55, Jacqueline '64) Russ proudly stated that the course had gone on a full week, and no member of '51 had been dismissed—yet. Verle **Johnston** (Verle Jr. '53—entered USAFA this yr. —Nancy '54, Ellen '56, Jamie '60, Jean '64) is here in D. C. with HQ USAF after a tour on the faculty at the Air WC. Verle also noted that Bill **Quinn's** son—Bill Jr.—is also a Plebe at Colo. Springs. Norm **Jorstad** finished Carlisle last summer and is now here with WSEG. Charlie and Ruth **Knapp** (Nancy Ruth '52, Carol Lee '54, Robert '56, Charles Jr. '59) are at Ft. Ord; Charlie's with the Trng Center commanding the 3d Bn of the 2d Bde.

Ray and Pat **Knight** (Albert R. III '54, Michael '57, Katherine '61) is with the Trng Command HQ at Ft. Dix but was planning retirement on 31 Aug. before this went to press. He noted that Ted **Charney** and Bruce **Baily** were with him in the wilds of N. J.: Ted commanding the 2d BCT Bde; Bruce there and gone again to VN last May, leaving Dolly and the kids in Newburgh—close to WP, where young Bart Baily is a Plebe with the Class of '74. In addition, Jack **Stahl** is back from Thailand and is now XO of the 3d BCT Bde. Ray's plans were retirement followed by a new career in admin at Notre Dame High School in Trenton, N. J.

Pete and Camilla **Kuhn** (Mary '59, Lucy '60, Emma '63) are living in Westfield, N. J.; Pete's a principal in the firm of Arthur Young and Co., a NYC Management Consultant Firm. Bill **Lackman** graduated from the Industrial College last summer—and vanished. Where are you, Bill? Barney and Muriel **Landry** (Donna '54) checked in from Hamilton, Ohio, where Barney is mgr. of a unit of GE—and report that Donna trained a horse which won a blue ribbon at the Ohio State Fair; another win for '51!

Also on the D. C. scene, Bill and Anne **Lackman** (Carey Anne '55, Mary '57, William III '58, Francis '59, Anne '63, Julia '65, Paul '67) are with OASD (ISA) following Bill's tour as XO of the 2d Bde of the 9th Div in VN. Bob and Fola **Lerner** (Reid '57, Darah '60) are a continent away in San Bernardino, where Bob is with SAMSO/SMYND at Morton AFB. Bob reports running into Clyde **Cocke** in the course of Clyde's business with AVCO. From Europe, John and Fran **Lewis** (John '53, Arba Lynn '54, Bruce '59) are at HQ USAREUR, where they are with Bill **Edler**, Moon **Mullens**, and Myles **Grant**. Karl **Peltz** and Art **Scalise**, Bill **Depew** and John

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Byers were there too but departed in the last big migration home.

Al and Elaine **Lichtenberg** (Richard '52, Diane '54, Susan '57, Barbara '61) checked in from N. Y. Al is with S. Lichtenberg & Co., and they are living in Kings Point—others noted by Al were Cap and Florence **Bernstein**, who have become avid campers and spent 2 weeks camping in upstate N. Y. this yr. Bob and Edna **Lins** (Robert Bruce '53, William Alen '61) are settled in the tradition of Cape Elizabeth, Me., where Bob deals in securities and bonds and operates a market research business with Edna. His ties to USMA remain close, since Edna's father was '04, and both of her brothers—Singles—are grads. Bob's 300 yds. from Portland Head Light and looks forward to visits from old friends . . .

Led and Cle **Long** (Tracy Ann '63, Skip '67) are in a divided status—Led with the 497th Tac Fighter Sqdn in Asia, Cle in Sioux City, Iowa. Led's the guy in that F-4 overhead, you '51's in fatigues on the ground. Cleo's handling Tracy age 6 and Led III, age 3 instead of F-4's. Ed and Carol **Lukert** (Ed III '55, David '57, John '59, Paul '61, Mary '63) are here in D. C. Ed's with WSEG following graduation from Carlisle in '69. On departing the AWC, he watched Norm **Jorstad** go off to OSD; Newt **Morgan** depart for Ft. Huachuca; Gil **Stephenson** to command a regt at WP; Ed **Lukert** to the Asst VCofS's office, and Lane **Holman** has joined us in ODCSOPS. Pat and Lois **Lynch** (Erin Yvette '63, Shannon Marie '65, and a NEW SON Patrick Hugh Lynch III '70!) are at Ft. Lewis, where Pat has the 1st Bn, 1st Bde—departing for MACV about the time this goes to press, probably as a senior advisor. Others Pat reports at Lewis include Frank and Sheila **Waldman**—Frank had the 2d Bn in the same Bde but has departed to join S&F at Carlisle.

Stu and Esther **Malmgren** (Stu '54, Alison Leslie '60) are in Santa Ana, where Stu is with the Avionics and Sensors Div. He reports having run into Jack **Cragie** in the area. Ed and Dottie **Markham** (Karren '52, Mary '55, Patricia '56, Edward '58, Margaret '61) are enjoying Hi. with CINCPAC—at least until July of '71. He and Dottie spent 4 days with Joe and Ces **Clemons** when Joe returned from the 198th Bde en route to the States. He also reports Bucky **Harris'** departure for the 1st Cav; and Moose **Matney** on leave in Hi. from VN.

Regards from me, also from Liz & (Stephanie '54, Mary '56, Carol '57, Jennifer '58, Trey—Clinton III—'62). The room and telephone in the Pentagon are changed to 3B513 and OXford 76046. I've assumed the Middle East + and everything promptly went to pot; probably lack of positive leadership here. Best ever.

Ed Note: The Class of '51 Notes were considerably longer but had to be reduced because of space limitations. The remaining notes will appear in the next issue of ASSEMBLY.

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Among those who had voted John **Garver** (in his absence) the new Class Scribe at our final meeting last spring, I arrived at the initial meeting this fall secure in the belief that I had once again escaped in spite of being in a high risk position for the detail, an English instructor. John graciously accepted the office—BUT beginning a yr. from now. He requested the reprieve because he is in the throes of completing his doctoral program in Geography at Syracuse U. The title of his dissertation will be "The Role of the Army in the Colonization of the West." Anyway, the deftness with which Bob **Haras** manipulated me into this position of interim scribe was a masterstroke of persuasive leadership. Levity aside I am happy to pick up where Tom **Collier** left off and make at least a modest contribution to our already highly distinguished class.

Perhaps it would be well to start with the local lineup. Although our ranks have thinned, we are strategically distributed, and very little occurs at USMA without our knowledge or the '52 imprint. Bob **Haras** is Opns Off of the TD; Gene **Lane** is SGS; Bob **Hulley** is the Provost Marshal; Charlie **Watkins** is the IG; and Swede **Ericson** is Assoc. "P" and Asst. to the Dean for Research. See what I mean? The remainder of us are in academic depts: Bob **Ackerson**, Associate "P" in History of Mil Art, the new History Dept; Art **Deverill**, Assoc. "P" and XO of the Physics Dept; John **Garver**, Permanent Assoc. "P" and Dir. of Environmental Studies, ES&GS; and myself, Assoc. "P" and Dir. of Electives, Dept of English. Warren **Eisenhart**, formerly an Asst. "P" and Assoc. Dir. of MP&L, retired on 31 Aug. At the ceremonies he was presented the LM. Warren and Beth are still close by in Ft. Montgomery; he is completing a MBA at NYU. After the 1st of the yr. they plan to relocate in Hi. I am told that Bob **Kelley** in

1952: Gloom Period Party, Washington, Co. H-2. Dick and Donna Larkin, Joe and Jeannie Wasiak, Marie and John Kenney, Mary and Bill Spencer, Mary Ann and Tom Nelson.

1952: Gloom Period Party, Washington.

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1952: Gloom Period Party, Washington.

Fla. and John **Bart** in Ga. are also retired. Has it really been that long ago?

With the job and a 4-day deadline I also received a small packet of press releases, mostly concerning the senior service schools. This past June's crop of AWC grads included **Al Bracy**, Ernie **Condina**, Jerry **Gibbs**, John **Hill**, Howard **Jelinek**, Homer **Kiefer**, Hank **Lowder**, George **Relyea**, Jim **Tow**, and Sam **Wetzel**. Tom **Dunmire** completed the College the hard way as a member of the 1st class in the newly instituted Non-resident Program that takes 2 yrs. Tom is presently XO of the 1st Tng Bde at Benning. Howard **Danford**, Bill **Leggett**, and Bob **Tanguy** completed studies at the Natl War College, Ft. McNair. Dave **Lyon** and John **Tipton** joined the Wash. contingent after finishing at the NWC. Classmates attending the senior schools this yr. include Carl **Broadbent**, Jim **Crow**, Mike **Juvenal**, Dick **Larkin**, Bob **McGowan**, Bill **Moore**, Clyde **Selleck**, and Dick **Wiles** at the AWC; Bob **Dunn**, Ralph **Garver**, Sam **Hubbard**, and Al **Stubblebine** at the Natl War College; John **Gibney** and Ed **Thompson** (E-1) at the Industrial College; Herb **Schandler** at the Air WC; and John **Foley** at the NWC. Warmest congratulations to all.

1952: Gloom Period Party, Washington. Rosemary Smith, Mike Collins, Rita and Bob Carlone.

VN: John **Quinn** recently assumed command of the 1st Bn, 14th Inf, 4th Inf Div near An Khe. Birt **Kidwell** commands the 2d Bn, 34th Armor, 25th Inf Div near Tay Ninh. Gray **Parks** was in the vicinity this summer getting his family settled at Stewart AFB before he set out for VN and an IG assignment.

Just as I had given up hope of any more news for this quarter's column, a plump envelope arrived from Jim **Sullivan** updating us on activities in Wash. The news starts back with the Gloom Period Party held 7 Feb. at the Downtown A-N Club. The turnout was impressive, well over 100. Jim suggested that this resulted from 2 factors—there are more than 150 classmates in the Wash. area, and more importantly, Mike **Collins** attended as principal speaker. The evening was arranged by **Al Griffin**, Bill **Raiford**, Bob **Tanguy**, and Bob **Carlone**. After the usual libations Bob **Tanguy** and Paul **Malone** presented a dialogue that Jim describes as "unbelievable." You have us wondering. Fortunately Herb **Hollander** was on hand with his electronic and signal equipment and made a recording. He promises to make it available for the 20th Reunion. Apparently Mike **Collins** was the only man who could possibly follow that act; he gave a talk and then answered a host of questions. It is not surprising that Mike's performance was "terrific." No one has the slightest question about his credentials as an Asst. Secy of State. After the formalities Mike signed some 300 autographs and posed for dozens of pictures. The photographs here are by the courtesy of John **Kenney**.

The next Wash. event was a business meeting later in Feb. held in the Exec Dining Room of the Pentagon with 25 class members attending. At the Founders Day Dinner of the DC Society, '52 played its usual prominent role. Among other contributions **Bill Raiford** closed the formal ceremonies by playing the Alma Mater. At the final quarterly meeting of the DC Society in May, **Al Griffin** was again elected Secy. Those attending were fortunate enough to have an opportunity to visit with Vince Lombardi. Because he was a part of our lives as cadets, I think we all enjoyed following Vince's glowing career and now feel an especially acute sense of loss with the passing of a truly "whole man."

Another major Class meeting convened at the River View Garden home of Tom and Mary Ann **Nelson** early in June. Carrol and Ralph **Cline**, Laura and Hank **Meyer**, Rosemary and Dexter **Smith** were the others on the committee. Although the affair was advertised as a business-social gathering, not surprisingly it turned out to be all party and no business. The attendance was once again "tremendous," and Jim says, "it would not be possible to name all of those present." 1 of the activities was a coed volleyball game, but even the players were not sure who won, and further—no one seemed unduly concerned.

Further notes from Wash. The class now has 4 "bird" colonels: Mike **Collins**, Bill **Shields**, Bob **Tanguy**, and Jim **McInerney**. While Jim **Crow** served as Cmdt of the USMA Prep School, he set a record by getting an unprecedented number of GI's into USMA. Classmates in civilian life are continuing to "make it" big. Jim **Paris** recently returned from the West Coast to Pa. to become Pres. of UNISEM, a subsidiary of Union Carbide. Lou **Tomasetti** has been promoted to Genl. Mgr. of the TF34 Dept. of the Military Engine Div. of GE in Lynn, Mass. Joe **Hannan** is Exec. VP of Benton & Bowles in N. Y. City. Bill **Raiford** recently earned an Advanced Degree from the Wharton School of Business. Marty **Celec** is with the Philco Corp. in Philadelphia. Incidentally, Marty and Gerry dropped by WP on their way to Boston recently.

1952: Gloom Period Party, Mike Collins.

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1952: Gloom Period Party, Washington. Jim Sullivan and Mike Collins.

My special thanks to Jim **Sullivan** for all the news. Considering his stint in Walter Reed, it is doubly appreciated. Hope things are OK now. A glance at the Class columns seems to indicate that length is restricted only by the amount of news available. Can I urge more of you to open up the lines of communication again? Because John **Garver**, as our only permanent member of the USMA Faculty, should be on hand for the next decade or 2 to handle the column, we felt it might be a good idea for you to get into the habit of writing to him now. Consequently, please address all of your news and correspondence to: LTC John B. Garver Jr., Dept of ES&GS, USMA, West Point, N. Y. 10996. John was also appointed local chairman of the 20th Reunion Committee (you can see we intend to get our money out of John); he will be assisted by Bob **Ackerson** and Jerry **Brisman.** As a starter the Committee would like to learn your preferences on whether the Reunion should be held during June Week or during Homecoming. Apparently we could expect top priority of accommodations and facilities during Homecoming but something a ways down the line during June Week. Bob **Haras** asked that I also mention that letters concerning the Class Fund and the 25th Reunion (how about that for planning ahead?) will be mailed out in the near future, courtesy of Tom (Rocky) **Ashton** who is volunteering his financial expertise to help us replenish the sagging fund.

1952: Gloom Period Party.

A late note and a very tragic one: Charles J. **Luther** Jr., the seven-year-old son of LTC and Mrs. Charles **Luther**, passed away at Andrews AFB on 16 Sept. The funeral was held in the Old Cadet Chapel followed by interment in the West Point Cemetery. The Class extends its deep and heartfelt sympathy to the **Luthers.**

'53

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The WP section of the Class opened the social season with a get together at Coach John **McCauley's** ("53," Boston College) place after beating Holy Cross. Kathie and Bob **Carter**, Joan and Rocky **Ventrella** were present with Assoc. classmates Connie and Pete **Patterson**, Peg and Don **Rocke**, and Silvia and Bruce D. **Smith**. Seen during the Fall at football games were Tom **Jones**, Jack **Johnson**, Bob **LaFlam**, Sam **Rogers**, and Al **Paulekas.**

In the last issue I mentioned Joan **Walters** and Kaki **Martin** were still in the WP area. Joan has since moved to D. C., and Kaki has been cooling it at Ft. Walton, Fla.

Joe **Rears** reports from VN that he replaced Bob **Martin** working with the American Embassy, Saigon. The picture was taken in Kompong Trach, Cambodia. Art **Brown** is the Senior Advisor to the 9th ARVN Div. Art had just briefed the Presidential delegation made up of U. S. Senators. Larry **Davis** was involved with this opn. as XO of the Aviation Gp that protected their aircraft.

Other VN news includes Harl **Graham** as the Dpty G5, USARV; Bill **Sifford** recently received the LM while serving with the Americal Div Arty near Chu Lai, and Ed **Coggins** was awarded the DFC for a mission flown over North VN in Oct. '68. Ed is currently a TAC Flight Cmdr at Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

The big contributor to this issue is our DC, Scribe, Rolfe **Arnhym**. He writes the following: "The mail sack has been a bit thin these last few months, and this article will have to be based on miscellaneous sources. If you are not where I have you—sorry about that. The Class gathered at Ft. Myer on 11 July with almost 50% turning out. Alphabetically: Pat **Alexander** (now in real estate), Jan and Ed **Andrews**, June and I, Joan and Bob **Barton**, Judy and Dick **Benz**, Anne and Bob **Blum**, Sue and Bob **Boxell**, Nola and Bob **Breckenridge**, Ada Lou and Burden **Brentnall**, Frank and John **Bringham**, Joan and Craig **Coverdale**, Mary Lee and Gordon **Curran**, Betty and Ed **Davis**, Margie and

1953: LTC Jim Pfautz receiving LM from USAF GEN James Ferguson.

Norm **Delbridge**, Kathy and Tony **DeLuca** (down from WP), Sue and Ed **Dinges** (now at the AWC), Shirley and Dick **Durham**, Joan and Sam **Fisher**, Sue and Bob **Fernandez** (just back from VN and en route to Germany), Lee and Herb **Friesen** (en route to Ft. Riley), Charlotte and Ralph **Greer**, Lois and Ken **Heitzke**, Carol and Bob **Hess**, Jeane and Bill **Jolin**, Jan and Cliff **Landry** (en route to VN), Ann and Dick **Leonard** (now at the AWC), Tardy and Tom **McGregor**, Joan and Hal **Myrha**, Min and Jack **Neuberger**, Julie and Wally **Noll**, Joan and Tom **Nugent** (back from Germany, en route to VN), Diane and Max **Satchell**, Margaret and Bob **Schroeder** (now at the AWC), Pat and Fred **Siebert**, Susie **Simko**, Judy and John **Smythe**, Sue and Jim **Stuart**, Sanelma and Bill **Sutton**, Joan and Ken **Sweeney**, Sally **Thomas** (may move to Fla.), Susan and Bob **White**, and finally Marie and Weemo **Wubbena.**"

"Got a letter from Doc **Viereck's** mother and learned that after Doc left JCS (with a LM), he went on to command the 66th Maint Bn in Germany (gaining an OLC to his LM), then on to Long Binh, VN, picking up a BSM. Helen and the kids are in Houston. Madeline and Jim **Donahue** recently joined the Va. Land Barons. Jim has been assigned to DCSOPS. Jim **Dare** just left DCSOPS and is now living the "good life" at Ft. Hood. While over at TAGO I ran into Si **Nerone** (just back from the Americal Div and now at Ft. Ord), and Elvin **Heiberg** (now at the IWC). Finally, Joe **Sheard** has joined ACSFOR. If we in ACSFOR make the Army too small, we will consider selling it."

1953: Right to left: Joe Rears, Art Brown and Mr. Grant in Kompong Trach, Cambodia, 6 June 1970.

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"The Wash. crowd will be pleased to learn that a new Directory is being assembled. While checking numbers, I found that Jim **Pfautz** has shifted from Andrews AFB to the NWC."

Yes indeed, Jim is at the War College now. The pic shows Jim picking up his latest award of the LM, presented by USAF GEN James Ferguson this past summer.

To fill in on last issue's report of those finishing senior service schools: Hal **Rhyne** to American U. in Wash., Bill **Rawlinson**, I believe, stayed in Wash. also, and Hank **Davisson** went to Seventh Army in Germany.

From Germany Dave **Horner** reports he is currently Bn CO of the 2/68 Armor at Baumholder. Bob **Butler**, also at Baumholder, has the 1/68 Armor. Smirk **Wardlaw** commanded the 1/13 Inf for 18 months prior to leaving for MACV this summer. Joe **Perlow** is currently located at Weisbaden and commanding the 5/81 Arty. The **Horners** are fine, and young Dave is headed for school in Ireland next yr.

Word from Laura **Hall** indicates that Jim was to return from MAAG, Nationalist China, this summer and they hoped to be in Europe by Aug. Laura sent a wonderful note with a large news clipping from the "Winchester Evening Star" (Va). which explains her yr. long project of restoring "Hawthorn," 1 of Winchester's oldest estates. She had 13 children, ages 7 to 22, to help on the project—Jim and Laura's 8, plus her brother's 5 youngsters who stayed with the Halls following a serious family accident. John W., the oldest of the Hall children, is a star man in his 3d year at the AF Academy.

A few last tidbits—Tom and Judy **McKenna** at Kan. U., Russ and Mary **Baker** at Leavenworth on S and F, Bob **Bartlett** with the Louis Berger Group as Exec. VP, and Art **Shaw** confirmed to still be with Trident in St. Louis, Mo.

When you finish reading this, sit down and drop a note to Rolfe or me. We will be writing the next article—that's the way it works out timewise. We promise to get your news printed. I attempted to include a word from our Class Pres.; however, was unable to contact him as he was TDY to VN. Hope you had a nice trip, Norm. Send pictures.

'54

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We have all been saddened by the deaths of Jim **Cronin** and Andre **Lucas**.

Jim died from service connected disabilities in Feb. at St. Vincent's Hospital in Little Rock after a long and continuous bout with the medical world. Jim came down with pneumonia while flying C-130's out of the Philippines in 1968, and a resulting intermittent series of further ills led to his discharge in 1969 and then his death. Never one to complain or seek solace, Jim went quietly, and his death subsequently comes as a shock.

Andre's death was a shock as well as he always appeared to be bigger than life. He died while leading his Bn of the 101st Abn Div at Firebase RIPCORD—a small hilltop Arty outpost near the Ashau Valley in VN—when the unit came under heavy enemy fire. Andre had been much in the thick of it previously, as we would have all expected, having been twice wounded on the same tour. He was buried at WP, 4 Aug. 1970, and many classmates showed up to give testimony to his accomplishments and lasting friendship.

1954: Westy Westervelt briefs VP Agnew and GEN Michaelis in Korea.

Many attended outside of the local contingent with Bill **Old** flying in from Ft. Monroe and Jim **Henry** and Dick **Renfro** driving up from Wash.

John **Bard** has taken over Andre's Bn in VN in a very fitting move that Andre would have valued. Joe **Gerda** is commanding a Bn in the 101st, the 2d Bn 327 Inf, and I understand Bob **Keener** had a Bn in the 101st but is now back in the States. Outside of the 101st Jim **Henry** has the 5th Bn of the 46th Inf, 198th Inf Bde, and Skip **Combs** has the 1st Bn—Mech of the 5th Inf, 2d Bde.

Howard **Hunter** returned from VN this past summer and was kind enough to pass along that John **Galvin** was G1 of the 1st Cav Div, Skip **Forman** was CO of the 2d Bn, 4th Arty, Hugh **Robinson** was CO of the 39th Engr Bn and Sandy **Samouce** was with the 4th Inf Divarty. At Long Binh, he ran across Frank **Meador** (CO 62d Engr Bn). Harry **Hilt** (Engr Cmd) and Paul **Driscoll** (CO 62d Engr Bn). Frank **Meador** is now back and in D.C. at OCRD along with Russ **Parker**. George **Stenehjem** who was CO, 101st Aviation Bn is also in D.C. as is Ron **Lemanski** who was with the II FF Arty.

Howard also reported Jim **Williams** on his way to D.C. from Danang, and sure enough Jim dropped a line confirming it plus a quick report on Pentagon activity. Having just arrived there, he noted much to write about. We've apparently taken over DCSOPS with Dick **Baughman**, Bob **Downen**, Wes **Sheen**, Dick **Hobbs**, Harry **Sullivan**, and Frank **Ianni** on the premises along with Jim himself.

At CINFO controlling the news are Lenny **Reed**, Bob **Stewart**, and Chet **Piolunek**. Reading the same news at ACSI are Howard **Gabbert**, Don **Gaston**, Bob **Gomez**, and Beale **Minturn** while Dick **Littlefield**, and Lowell **Toreson** are at DIA reading the ACSI News abstracts.

Myron **Rose** reportedly is at STAG while Price **Darling** and Willie **Harper** are with ACSFOR. Bill **Hannon** is in the Office of the Asst. Vice C/S and apparently tearing up the Officers Athletic Center at the Pentagon with ripping basketball sorties accompanied by Dick **Littlefield**.

Jim **Williams** and his wife Bobbie are living in Annandale, Va. (along with their 2 children) and are 2 blocks away from Dave and Mary **Richards**. Dave is with JCS as is H.C. **Tanner**. Also living close by to Jim is Len and Joan **Reed**. I'm also told Bob **Hunt** is nearby at Ft. Ritchie, Md. after graduating from C&GS.

After the success of the Va. game get together, the D.C. group is planning a Class party for Sat., 13 Feb. 1971 at the Army-Navy Country Club. That should be a great source of news so all should get there who can. I definitely want a picture!

Where are the AF files? Jack **Krause** needs to buck up the reporting. While he's controlling our Class pursestrings from D.C., I have data only on Dick **Youngflesh** flying C-123s from Phan Rang and Wetz **Wetzel** commanding the 1st Tactical Recon Sqdn at Alconbury RAF Station, England. Also, I hear Jim **Karns** is leading a double life very successfully. By day he works in the Pentagon, but at night he trades in his silver leaves for his Doctorate Degree and teaches at GWU.

At this point you probably think everyone is in D.C., but this is not true. Some have been there and left! I've got word on Bud **Passmore** leaving to take over a Bn of the 1st Cav, Eb **Eberhardt** getting a Bn at Ft. Carson, and Doug **Stuart** heading for USAEUR.

Waiting for Doug there is Joe **Peisinger**. Joe reported a '54 get together last Labor Day that started at the Karlsruhe Officers Club and ended at local park boasting a "wave" machine where all went surfing. This is a true story. Wipe that smirk off! I'd doubt it but Paul **Driscoll** was in VN, remember. Jim and Sue **Moore**, Tom and Sue **Mayberry**, Dave and Barbara **Teberg**, Clark and Asta **Benn**, and Joe and Gretchen **Peisinger** were the surfers along with the groups' 19 children. Mark **Reese** and Chuck **Stodter** should be somewhere in Germany too.

It seems that those who aren't rotating through D.C. or VN are at school—or just graduated. Bob **Riese** and Jim **Chapman** graduated with honors from C&GSC. Paul **Miller**, Lou **Mentillo**, and John **D'Aura** completed the rigors at the AFSC, and Jim **Dalton** has mastered the course at the ICAF. Dick **Diller**, Jim **Miller**, Jim **Scovel**, and Jim **Moore** finished up at the AWC, and Lenny **Griggs** has taken over our representation there for the next session.

Really in the news though is Westy **Westervelt**. He has the 1st Bn, 23d Inf along the DMZ in Korea and VP **Agnew** came to consult with him last Aug. Westy has now finished up all the reports on the visit plus his written recommendations and finally had time to send a note saying Dave **Macklin** and

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Bob **Marcrum** were close by with Bns of their own, but they left when Westy and Spiro arrived.

There is a lot of activity in and around St. Louis. Ted **Neu** is there as Dir of Systems Engring at AVSCOM after receiving his M.S. from MIT. He is joined by John **Young** who should be the 1st of '54 to retire after 20 yrs. of service. Congratulations John!

Jay **Massaro** is with the Army Mobility Equipment Command in St. Louis. Virl **Haas** is close by as the CO of 1st Bn, 1st Engr Adv Individual Tng Bde at Ft. Leonard Wood and not much farther away is Bill **Archer** at Ft. Sheridan.

The big class activity at WP this Fall has revolved around football. The well organized contingent there has managed gay celebrations despite the scores. After the winning Holy Cross game, Max and Maureen **Janairo**, Jim and Janet **Ransone**, and Quary and Joan **Snyder** sponsored the celebrating. Bob **Mischak** was in attendance with an attentive audience. Bob has been back as an Assoc. Coach under Tom **Cahill** now since 1966 with responsibility for the offensive interior line. George **Storck** who coached the Plebes last yr. is now in charge of the admission support program.

On the civilian side, Dick **Boyle** has been made a partner in the firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. in Boston. He's been with them since 1959. I guess we'll have to drop that nickname "Spoonie." Just not formal enough. Might shock a few corporate clients!

I appreciate all the letters, and when you make out all those Christmas cards send 1 to me with some news!

'55

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This is the last time I will be writing the article. Now that the number of classmates here has dwindled, while the concentration in Wash. has grown, it seems logical to transfer the job there. Fred **Bliss** is the new Secy of the Wash. group and has generously volunteered to take the chore, so write to him with any news of yourselves and classmates. Having had the job for 2 yrs. now, I perceive very clearly how reluctant most people are to divulge their exploits and achievements. In Fred's behalf, let me appeal to you to keep him informed. Fred's address is LTC C. F. **Bliss**, 6019 Amherst Ave., Springfield, Va. 22150. I have enjoyed your letters and hope they will continue. I, of course, will pass on to Fred any news that comes to me here.

1955: Roy Thorsen, President of L.A. Chapter of W.P. Society, GEN Omar Bradley, and MG Ferdinand Mancaccy, Chairman of Board of Directors for AUSA.

1955: Reunion Party at Roy Thorsen's. Left to right: Bill Graham, Kathleen Graham, Ron Murray, Beverly Murray, Al Spaulding, Dottie Spaulding, Ed Bullard, Mary Bullard, John Wing, Shiela Wing, June Knieriem, Fred Knieriem, Elaine West, Tom West, Larry Michalove, Sybil Michalove, Tere Regnier, Dick Regnier, Ann Phillips, Tom Phillips, Marlo Viney, Jack Viney, Hank Klung, Joan Klung, Mary Pond, Chester Pond, Lupe Castaneda (date w/Paul Smor), Paul Smor, Ted Perritt. Seated: Mrs. Driscoll (Dottie Spaulding's mother) and Roy Thorsen.

The '55 Exec. Committee Members in D. C. for this yr. are: Bob **Wiegand**, Chairman; Cliff **Fralen**, Vice Chairman; Fred **Bliss**, Secy; Don **Andrews**, Treas.; Rich **Cardillo**, Social Secy; Bob **Meisenheimer**, Asst. Social Secy. Tom **Weaver** is the outgoing Chairman and deserves praise and thanks for the outstanding job he did.

According to the latest Wash. area roster, provided and annotated by Fred **Bliss**, there are just over 100 classmates stationed there, plus about 15 living there in civilian status. The Class had a party at Cameron Station on 25 June, attended by about 50 people including Carl **Cathey** (just arrived from AWC), Frank **Donald** (now in his 4th yr. in D. C. and expecting orders), John **Hardy**, (going to McDill), Bob **Meisenheimer**, George **Monahan**, Tom **Weaver**, Rod **Davis** (just arrived), Don **Andrews**, Dick **Bean**, Jim **Bergen**, Pete **Booras** (en route to Norfolk), Fred **Bliss**, Jerry **Chikalla** (who left during the summer for his Province Advisor job in VN—Jessie and family in N. H.), Bob **Chapman**, Roy **Dunaway** (expecting orders for VN), Todd **Graham** (just arrived from Marine C&GSC), Bill **Holbrook** (going to VN in Province Advisor program), Bob **Joseph** (student . . . "Looks great . . . loves school"), Dave **Maurer**, Bob **Newton**, Frank **O'Brien**, Ski **Ordway** ("still single"), Don **Poorman**, Jim **Ryan** ("Runs the War College from DCSPER"), Frank **Schlotter**, Norm **Sparks** (going to VN), and Bill **Wilcox**. Natalie and Bill have a new baby girl, bringing their total to 5. Ed **Mendell** was also at the picnic. Ed is a Vice Principal at a high school in Palo Alto and has a Ph.D. in Education—"Looks great . . . works with kids a lot." John **Rock** is also in Palo Alto.

Other recent gains and losses of the Wash. contingent: Bill **Parks** arrived from Norfolk, assigned to JCSCC; Dale **Ward**, going to NWC this yr.; Gerry **Samos**, has been in D. C. several yrs. and expecting orders; Dick **Baker**, recently assigned, from Udorn; Jim **Brokenshire** has departed the area; Jim **Fleeger**, just joined OCRD; Dan **Dunaway**, to VN in the fall; Norm **Sparks**, from STANOS to VN. John **Passafiume** and Tom **Herren** are new arrivals, having just completed Leavenworth. Other Leavenworth grads: Paul **Bazilwich** to Anchorage, Bill **Sietman** to Hi., Dave **McNerney** to Germany, and Dan **Dugan** to Moffet Field. Paul **Martin** has just graduated from the Air C&GSC and been assigned to Udorn as a transportation pilot.

Chuck **Flynn** is going to ICAF. However, the prize assignment this yr. goes to Bud **Hall**, who is in charm school preparing for attaché duty in Sweden.

Roy **Thorsen** provided the photo and a rundown on '55ers in Southern Calif. Roy gave a reunion party at his home last 23 May attended by 16 classmates (75 with wives and children). Names and current activities are as follows: Bill **Graham**, John **Wing**, Tom **West**, Hank **Klung**—stationed at Edwards AFB; Ron **Murray**, American Airlines Pilot; Al **Spaulding**, Los Angeles Army Procurement Office—being transferred this summer—Ed **Bullard**, Boeing rep.; Fred **Knieriem**, Lockheed rep. at Edwards; Larry **Michalove**, currently leaving for Thailand; Dick **Regnier**, attorney; Tom **Phillips**, Lockheed marketing engr; Jack **Viney**, North American Avn engr; Chester **Pond**, Lockheed engr; Paul **Smor**, NASA rep.; Ted **Perritt**, Rocketdyne engring planner; Roy **Thorsen**, VP, Allied Equities Corp.

Also in the area but unable to attend: Duane **Smetana**, stationed at Space & Missile Org.; Ray **Dax**, stationed at Norton AFB after recently transferring from Army to AF; E. J. **O'Brien**, Burroughs Corp.

The 2d photo was taken in Apr. when the Glee Club visited Los Angeles. Their trip was sponsored by the WP Society of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Chapter of the Assn. of the US Army. The highlight of the Glee Club visit was a formal dinner-dance and concert at the Century Plaza Hotel attended by almost 1,000 persons. Shown in the picture are GEN of the Army Omar N. Bradley (a member of the WP Society of L.A.), LTG F. C. Mencaccy, USA, Ret, Chairman of the Los Angeles Chapter of AUSA, and myself, current Pres. of the WP Society of L.A.

Carl **McNair** writes from Carlisle Barracks where he is attending the AWC as well as working on an advanced degree in Public Admin. at Shippensburg State College. Carl

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had previously been on the faculty at Norfolk when he saw a number of classmates. The June '70 Class and their new assignments were as follows: Myron **Minich**, Germany; Frank **O'Brien**, STRATCOM, Ft. Monmouth; Bill **Parks**, JCS Command Center; Bill **Haas**, Bn Cmd in Germany; John **Leventis**, Shaw AFB, Mike **Stevenson**, ACSFOR, DA; and Phil **Bouchard**, AF Academy. This summer Carl visited Ed and Margie **Nidever** in Talbotton, Ga., and Jim **Barker's** family in Tuscaloosa. Jim is Senior Advisor to the VN Arty School, and Carolyn is working and waiting in Tuscaloosa.

The sole new '55 arrival at USMA this yr. is Dan **Moses**. Dan is in MP&L, teaching Leadership and supervising the AOT summer training program. Prior to USMA he had 2 yrs.' graduate study in psychology at U.N.C., 2 VN tours, and Leavenworth. The **Moses** have a new baby girl, Nancy, for a total of 2 boys and 2 girls. Joe and Shirley **Grubbs** also have a new baby girl Allison Ann, giving them 3 girls in all.

Lew **Olive** is now in the area. Lew is out of the AF and has a good position as Dir. of Veterans' Affairs for the National Urban League in NYC. There have been a few visitors for the 1st 2 football games: Tom **Sims**, Kelly **Lichtenberg**, Dave **Young**, and Dick **Lilly**—who are all regulars. Don and Peggy **Poorman** came up from D. C. for the Baylor game. The seats are on the 50 yard line this yr., so come on up!

'56

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My wife, Betty, happened to be thumbing through her Summer '70 issue of the Trident, a Delta Delta Delta Sorority publication, and noted with some pleasure, I guess, that she isn't the only member of that organization foolish enough to marry a '56er. As a matter of fact, the Tri-Deltas recently held an informal luncheon for any alumnae they could find living at WP, and would you believe 4 of the 9 women who attended had more than their sorority in common? They were Nancy **Patrick**, Gail **Coulter**, MarLa **Wagenheim**, and Shirley **Crites**.

Bob and Shirley **Devoto** are on an 18 month exchange tour with 1 of Bob's contemporaries in the London office of McKinsey and Co. They expect to be there until Sept. '71 when they will return to Bob's permanent base in D. C. They have done a good bit of traveling around on the continent and in the British Isles and have exchanged weekend visits with Rich and Marina **Frederick** of SHAPE HQ in Belgium. They invite all classmates passing through London to contact them through Bob's office address, 87 Jermyn St., London, S. W. 1 (Phone 01-839-8040). As a matter of fact, Bob—this reporter just may be your next visitor.

Maury and Penny **Cralle** are delighted, you can bet, about the arrival of their son, Robert Arthur, born 13 June '70. If that boy can survive 5 sisters—Cathy, Beth, Merry, Penny and Nancy—he'll be a dandy!

Quite a group from the Class graduated from the C&GSC at Ft. Leavenworth this past June. Dirk **Lueders**, Gary **Sidler**, Jim **Strozier**, and Ed **Valence** distinguished themselves by being on the Cmdt's List. Dirk's next assignment is in D. C., Gary will be the CO of the 818th Engr Bn at Ft. Benning, Jim is now teaching in the Dept of Mech at USMA, and Ed is with the 5th Inf Div (Mech) at Ft. Carson, Colo. Other graduates and their next assignments are Jerry **Burcham** (Hqs, Allied Land Forces SE Europe, Izmir, Turkey), Wally **Crain** (D. C.), Charlie **Eastburn** (VN), "Renny" **Hart** (CZ), Ed **Richards** (D. C.), Bob **Scully** (Ft. Gulick, CZ.), George **Woods** (S&F of C&GSC).

Joel **Campis**, as Sqdn Cmdr at the AF Academy has been recognized for helping his unit earn the AF Outstanding Unit Award and will wear a distinctive service ribbon as a permanent decoration.

Chuck **Garvey** and Jim **McNulty** were graduated from the AFSC at Norfolk this past June. Tony **Ortner** was graduated from the AF Air C&GSC at Maxwell AFB.

July and Aug. have been traveling months for me. During that period, I visited England twice (5 days the 1st trip and 16 the next) and hope to have the opportunity to visit more. These were business trips to Hawker Siddeley Dynamics, Ltd about 40 miles north of London; however, I did have an opportunity to check the shine on the guards' boots at Buckingham Palace, Winsor Castle, the London Tower, and to visit Westminster Abbey, the House of Parliament, No. 10 Downing Street, Trafalger Square, and take a boat trip down the Thames. Found the summer weather invigorating and the people delightful and most hospitable. Next time, I plan to barge in on the **Devotos**.

WEST POINT. Meanwhile, back at the ranch the wheels of progress continue to carve their imprint into the hardpacked sands of time. This summer, with the arrival of some 1,375 members of the Class of '74, the strength of the Corps of Cadets totaled over 4,000 for the 1st time. The arrival of 4 more members of the Class of 1956, however, was not quite enough to offset the 5 losses announced in the last issue of ASSEMBLY, and our number is now down to 18. The newcomers and their assignments are Bob **Bacon**, XO, 2d Regt (from VN); Jim **Strozier**, on his 2d tour with the Mech Dept (from C&GS); Joe **Carraway**, English Dept (from U. of N. C.); and Jim **McNulty**, Math Dept (from the AFSC).

A headcount of us "old timers" shows Bill **Crites** still with the Hist Dept; Jim **Ellis** and Bob **Hewitt**, ES&GS; Bill **Haponski**, English; Roger **Redhair**, Math; George **Young**, Soc Sci; Frank **Sharer**, Instructional Support Div; Sam **Kem**, S4 USCC (reassigned from XO, 2d Regt); Ed **Rhodes**, OMI; Herb **Wagenheim**, Finance Officer; Joe **Gleason**, AG; Bill **Schrage**, Admissions; and John **Liwski**, Information Office. Tom **Griffin**, Pres. of the local Class group, put in a full summer as XO of Beast Barracks and deserves a large measure of credit for the excellent record compiled to date by the Class of '74. Tom goes into the new academic yr. as XO, 4th Regt.

The 1st major '56 social affair of the season took place on 20 Aug.—a boat party arranged by Frank **Sharer** and assoc classmate Ned **Rupp** of ES&GS. Perfect weather combined with excellent company and a delightful 3 hour cruise up the Hudson River aboard WP's new 200 passenger ferry to make this a thoroughly enjoyable occasion.

With the 1st 3 games of the '70 football season now a matter of record, it is apparent that the final 11 game record this yr. is not likely to be too spectacular. Nevertheless, the 2 contests that have been played in Michie Stadium have drawn full crowds, and the last 3 home games are likely to be sellouts. A number of familiar faces turned up during the Baylor weekend including Ted **Ogren**, now living in N.J. and working for Con Edison in NYC and Bob **Sorley** Ken **Withers** and Charlie **Poole** from the Wash. contingent. Ken who has a brother with the Tac Dept and another in the Class of '74, departs in Oct. for VN where he expects to command the 815th Engr Bn (Const). Bob **Sorley** departs for Germany in Jan. to take command of the 2/37th Armor at Furth. He will be replacing Zuke **Day** who, I understand, hopes to go to Belgium. Bob's present job in the Pentagon with SGS will go to another classmate, Jack **Woodmansee**. Looks like '56 is starting its own WPPA! Anybody leaving Hi. next yr.?

'57

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With the coming of fall and the opening of the football season, the poop is arriving in quantity once again. One welcome package included a good deal of news on the AF contingent of the Class. Harry **Davidson** (see photo) was presented the AFCM at NASA by Astronaut (COL) Thomas P. **Stafford** (Cmdr of the APOLLO 10 mission) for ". . . outstanding achievement as a flight systems engr with the Manned Spacecraft Center from Jan. '68 to Aug. '69" and for ". . . contributing to the success of the APOLLO Space Program and playing a significant part in the US being the 1st nation to successfully complete a manned lunar landing." Harry is presently serving with the 1st Special Activities Sqdn of HQ Command, USAF. He was awarded his Master's Degree in '63 and has served a tour in RVN.

Dick **Mollicone** was cited for helping his Dept win the USAF Outstanding Unit Award while serving as an AP in the Dept of Engring Mech at the USAFA. (Bob **Tener** claims that Dick was also cited as the "Dr. Strangeglove" of the local softball team, and that he is now supposed to be sporting a mustache and a crew-cut.) Owen **McIntyre** likewise was cited for his contribution in helping the Math Dept at USAFA win the same award.

Martin **Bradley** (now at San Jose State studying for his Master's Degree in Elect Engring) recently received the AF Meritorious Service Medal for his distinguished service as an Electronic Warfare Officer at HQ, Warner Robins AFB, Ga. Brad has served 18 months in RVN.

Don **Rowland** (F-4 Phantoms) has been assigned to TAC with the 4535th Combat Crew Trng Sqdn at George AFB near Victorville, Calif.

1957: Bill Golden in his new role.

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1957: Harry Davidson receiving AFCOM Medal from COL Tom Stafford of NASA.

A couple of war stories: Jim **Knight** flew a mission recently on the sweat inside the fuel tanks. He and his wingman in F-4 Phantoms (based at Phu Cat) flew out to a target area SW of Saigon but were diverted to Cambodia where they made 4 target passes resulting in the destruction of many field fortifications and nearly all of their fuel supply. Jose **Olvera** (see photo) is back in RVN for his 2d tour; on his 1st tour he flew more than 250 combat missions as a FAC in 88-knot O-1s, but now he has more than 95 combat missions in supersonic F-105s. His home base is Takhli Royal Thai AFB in Thailand.

The accompanying photo shows Tom **Olsen** being presented the US JSCM by COL Charlson, Cmdr of the 3d Tactical Fighter Wing at Bien Hoa AB. Tom served with distinction as a ground LNO with the Tac Air Spt Element, MACV.

Frank **Redd** passes on the word that Buck **Rogers** is making fighter pilot assignments to SEA from the USAF Military Personnel Office.

Les **Prichard** has recently been assigned to a F-104 Sqdn in England; Flay **Goodwin**, who has been flying C-141s from Dover AFB, is en route to RVN. The 834th Transport Wing at Tan Son Nhut AB, Saigon, is reported to be his new unit.

From Don and Connie **Bowes**, via Jerry **Schumacher**, comes a fascinating story: a 2-family Class Reunion in Moscow last winter! It seems that Jerry, a military attaché in Moscow, invited Don and Connie to drop in for New Year's Eve at the Embassy. The Bowes landed at Moscow Internatl Airport on 30 Dec. with the temperature at "minus 20° AND FALLING!" Unfortunately, space doesn't permit a full account, but the 8-day visit included a tour of the Kremlin, an evening at the Bolshoi, a troika ride, a visit to a dacha, "several diplomatic parties," and was followed by a marvelous return trip through Europe. For those of you with nothing special planned for New Year's Eve, Jerry's address is: MAJ & Mrs. Henry J. Schumacher, Moscow, USSR, Dept. of State, Wash., D.C. 20521.

Moving next to RVN, we find that the Class has a large group there in a variety of assignments. I am indebted to Bill **Golden** for the following information. (Incidentally, Bill is apparently travelling incognito these days, as the attached photo shows.) Bill is assigned as the G3 Advisor at III Corps. Nick **Robinson** is Senior Advisor to the 49th Regt in Hau Nghia Sector; it appears that for a while he was doing double duty and was advising the 46th Regt also. Jim **Edgar** is the Senior Advisor to the 3d Ranger Gp in III Corps. (Pat **Robinson** is in the Newburgh area, but apparently Dianne and the children are in England.) Don **Pope** is in or near Danang as an Area Engr for I Corps. Jack **Lustig** works in the MACV J4 shop in Saigon. Art **Johnson** departs RVN in Oct. or Nov.; he is assigned to JUSPAO in Saigon, but Bill did not know his exact assignment.

Three classmates are with the 1st Air Cav Div: Homer **Johnstone** is the Engr Bn Cmdr and Div Engr; Bob **Drudik** is departing for a job as a Bde DCO somewhere in CONUS; Steve **Glick**, likewise due to rotate soon from an Arty Bn, will take an XO's job in the states.

Dick **Scholtes** and Carl **Vuono** are both bn cmdrs; Dick has a mech bn on the DMZ, but Carl's unit location was not known. A late report has Bill **Webb** acting as an advisor to the Vietnamese AF, but it is expected that he will return about the end of Nov. Finally, Jay **Toole** is on the MACV staff in Saigon.

One of the largest Class groups is found this yr. at C&GSC. A partial list was published in the last issue of the ASSEMBLY, but the full line-up of 31 is listed below: Joe **Beben**, John **Burt**, Bobby **Christy**, Don **Cline**, Hawk **Conrad**, Jack **Cooper**, Jim **Cortez**, Jack **Crater**, Bill **Davies**, Dick **Dean**, Tom **Garigan**,

1957: Tom Olsen receiving JSCM in RVN.

John **Hocker**, Mike **Houser**, Andy **Johnson**, Jim **Kaiser**, Frank **Mastro**, Gerry **McCall**, Tony **Miklinski**, Bill **Murphy**, Don **Press**, Chuck **Raymond**, Glen **Rhoades**, Gordon **Rogers**, Carroll **Shaddock**, Ken **Simila**, Dave **Smith**, Ed **Szvetecz**, Alex **Vardamis**, Norm **Vaughn**, Ed **Wilhelm**, and Clarence **Wittman**. Additionally, Waxey **Gordon** is listed with TWA in Kansas City, and Dick **Emery** is with USACDCAG. Our thanks to Bill **Murphy** who compiled this list.

The largest section of the class appears to be located in the D.C. area. George **Iverson** requests that anyone moving into the area call him at (202) 223-1800 and be included on the Class roster kept there. George apparently throws a party every yr., and this yr's. affair, held on 2 July, produced this impressive guest list: Jim and Sue **Woolnough** (in the process of moving to San Diego with Gen. Dynamics after some additional study at Harvard), Bob and Ellie **Dagle** (from Belpre, Ohio), Joe and Nancy **Newman** from Ft. Monroe, Ed and Maureen **Wilhelm**, Jim and Marie **Cortez**, Lou and Gitta **Cicero**, Bruce and Maxine **Stout**, Julie **King**, Dick and Sue **Bone**, Tom and Karen **McDonald**, Warne and Judy **Mead**, Tom and Lyn **Hicklin**, Gerry and Leann **McCall**, Ben **Beasley**, Don and Pat **Baughman**, Bernie and Joan **Tullington**, Ted and Barbara **Felber**, John and Helen **Schaefer**, Bill and Missy **Duncan**, Tom and Kay **Kehoe**, John and Anne **McDonald**, Fred **Smith**, Bill (Thumper) **Thompson**, Stu and Carol **Wright**, Don and Nora **Whalen**, John and Pat **Follansbee**, Milt and Mary **Ewanus**, Dick and Chickie **Fadel**, Gerry **Galloway**, Hank **Hatch**, Ed and Maryann **Soyster**, Bill and Bambi **Ray**, Dick and Diane **Manahan**, George and Debbie **Richardson**, Don and Anita **Buckner**, Jack and Liz **Sobraske**, Ted and Toddy **Voorhees**, Rudy and Pat **Pataro**, Rod and Ruth **McConnell**, Moon and Flo **Mullins**, John and Alicia **Easterwood**, Steve and Susan **Quatannens**, Mike and Pat **Higgins**, Champ and Pat **Buck**, Mary Ellen **Pritchard**, Ed and Carol **Hickey**, Don and Pat **Ley**, Carl and Pat **Vuono**, Bob and Jeanne **Comeau**, Bill and Penny **Cudmore**, and Stan **Jensen**. (Not 1 camera in the whole group?) According to sources, others in the Wash. area who were not able to attend include Charley **Coates**, Bob **Leard**, Joe **O'Neil**, Frank and Jean **DeSimone**, Jon and Sid **Bokovoy**, Don and Cynthia **Bowman**, Jim and Barbara **Britton**, Jack and Nina **Farris**, Julio **Heurtematte**, Ken and Pat **Halloway**, Ted and Pat **Pearson**, Len and Dee **Marrella**, Gordon **Moreland**, and Lofton and Joan **White**. Additionally, Bud and Nancy **Langworthy** are living in Newport News, Va. Many thanks to Dick and Dianne **Stephenson** for the special delivery of the above information.

To elaborate on some of the above entries, Don **Bowman** has departed OPO and is now studying Indust Pers Management at GWU. Ted **Voorhees**, now at DCSPER, is a recent grad of the AFSC. Other recent AFSC grads are Whit **Hall**, Warne **Mead** (holding down the Majors Assignment Desk at Inf Branch), and George **O'Grady**, who has been reassigned to China Lake, Calif. (Edwards AFB?) I understand that while George was attending the AFSC, he was awarded his 3d SS and something like the 60th or 70th OLC to his AM. Fred **Smith** works in the Pers Office, USAF. Bill **King**, just back from RVN, is in the Office, Chief of R&D. Beetle **Bailey**, also returned from RVN, is an instructor at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Bernie **Tullington** and Mike **Higgins** are both assigned to CDC.

Home for Milt **Ewanus** these days is HQ First Army at Ft. Meade, Md. Jack **Sobraske** works in Def Communications at the Pentagon, while George **Richardson** is reliably reported to be "somewhere in the Pentagon." As reported in the last issue of the ASSEMBLY, Dana **Mead** and Bernie **Loeffke** are White House Fellows; Bernie is reported to be an asst. to Dr. Henry Kissinger. Bernie threw a party in Sept. attended by **Whit Hall**, Warne **Mead**, George **O'Grady**, Fred

1957: Jose Olvera and his "fast" bird.

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Smith, Bill King, Beetle Bailey, George Richardson, Jack Sobraske, and Dana Mead. Most of this poop comes by way of a 3-way conversation between Don Bowman, Warne Mead, and Wally Summers. Thanks for passing on the word.

Jack Meehan reports that he has returned to Tulane U. to complete his work toward a Ph.D. in Nuclear Physics.

The Class ranks here at WP are thinning out; at present the Class numbers only 28. A quick breakout looks like this: Admissions: Mac McCullom and Bruce Turnbull. Elect. Engring: Marsh Moore, Tom Olson, and John Ramsden. Engring: Herk Carroll, Ralph Luther, Bill Sowers, and Bob Tener. Engl: Bob Merrick and Rich Daluga. ES & GS: Chico Stone and Jim Newsom. Forgn Lang: Dick Morton. Hist: Ray Bell, Sid Britt, and Vel Varner. Math: Jim Armstrong, Ed Hildreth, and Dave Schorr. Mech: Chuck Radler and Frank Redd. Phys: Jim Chernault and Bruce Glen. Soc Sci: Wally Summers. Tacs: Andy Foster, Jim MacGill, and Bill Seely (MP&L). Special congratulations are due to Bob and Beth Merrick for the arrival of a new daughter, Catherine, born on 30 July, and to Jim and Mari Chernault for a son Mark born on 12 Aug.

The opening of the football season provided an opportunity to renew several friendships. Bud and Connie Krapf dropped in for the 1st game and appeared as vivacious as ever; Bud is now at Harvard working on his Master's Degree. Don Fitzpatrick flew in from Calif., forsaking his practice with a legal firm to be here for the opening game. Bob Jones came by and provided the information that Gene Beimforde is moving in next door (I believe he said Redding, Conn.). Guy Wallace, as dapper as ever, appeared at the pre-game party held at Delafield Pond. Guy has been a civilian for 3 yrs. and recently returned from Laos where he was flying for Continental Air Service. He is now on an "extended vacation" and can be reached through his parents' address at 18 Willis Ave., Cornwall, N.Y. Joe Spector, Buzz Chase (assigned to Ft. Hamilton, I believe), and Bob Vermillion (en route from RVN to DCSPER) were all seen at the game.

John Ramsden indicates that Gary Stemly is employed by 1 of the major oil companies in Patterson, N.J. A recent article in the "Army Times" has it that Jerry Zabriskie has left the service; he is believed to be teaching at a junior college somewhere in Ore. Ken Tobin works for IBM in Vt. and plans a visit soon. The 3 oldest of his 4 boys are mainstays of the Boy Scouting activities in their community. Jim Newsom, who has become quite a dog obedience trainer, is proud of the Companion Dog Award which his dog won at the recent Westchester Dog Show.

Finally, Bruce Glen, this yr's. Treas. for the group at WP, has been getting inquiries about a WP Fund brochure (formerly the Supe's Fund) published and distributed in May of this yr. That brochure credited the Class of '57 with donations to the fund of about $13.00, but Bruce explains that the figure quoted represents only INDIVIDUAL donations to the fund and does not include the over $4,000 donated by the Class for the Memorial Fountain at the cemetery gate. The WP Fund will publish the exact figure at a later date.

Again, many thanks to all for the most excellent cooperation in compiling and forwarding the news on Class activities. As Ted Mack said, "Keep those cards and letters coming in, folks!"

'58

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The leaves have started to turn color again, the football season has begun with mixed results, and the cadets are trooping back to class—also with mixed results. In short, Fall is upon us, and many classmates find themselves at new duty assignments.

The WP group "elected" a new standing committee at a Class Luncheon last Sept. Jim Kernan, last yr's. Pres., capably handled the meeting that elected John Buchanan Pres., Ron Bellows VP, and Al Smith Secy/Treas. Jim's group also arranged the Class Party at the golf club house the night before the Baylor game (we won't talk about the game). Pete Groh and Mel Bowdan handled the bar; Sue Kernan, Sue Oelke, and Joan Collins the decorations; Sam Collins the movies; yours truly the music; and Jim organized things. A good turnout and a good party.

After spending some time analyzing the overwhelming response to my query of last issue concerning the location of the Class Scribe (at WP or elsewhere), I've come to the conclusion that the results are not too valid—not because of the difficulty of analysis, but because 1 vote, although unanimous, seems to lack a broad statistical base. I would appreciate comments and recommendations.

Now to news from around the world: AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY. John Stone recently left Cam Ranh Bay Support Command, where he was in SGS with air-conditioned office and mini-skirted, round-eyed secretaries; he is now at Ft. Carson with the 5th Mech Div, but no address as yet.

ARMOR. Sam Myers spent an interesting 11 months in RVN before going to the Armor agency of CDC at Ft. Knox. While in RVN, Sam was XO of the 2d Sqdn, 1st Cav in the 2d Military Region. During 1 scrap last Apr. Sam got the BSM for Valor and "the PH for clumsiness—the latter for my less than agile exit from my ACAV." It was during the same scrap that Sam pulled a burning WP round off the ammo and out of his ACAV.

ENGINEERS. Terry and Harriet Connell arrived in the Phillipines last Aug. Quarters look good (not great, but good), and Terry has a jump slot in the MAAG group there. Bill Cooper has departed RVN for C&GSC at Leavenworth. Bill was XO of the 864th Engr Bn and then commanded Task Force

1958: Walt Patterson receiving the AM, 3d award, for outstanding airmanship and courage on missions completed under hazardous conditions while serving at Ching Chuan Kang AB, Taiwan. The medals were presented at the AFSC, Norfolk, by MG Frank W. Norris, Comdt.

1958: John Soper receiving USAF CM for meritorious service while assigned to the 4200th Support Squadron at Beale AFB, Calif. John graduated from the last session of the AFSC at Norfolk.

Whiskey in the 2d Military Region (and Bill a teetotaler too).

FIELD ARTILLERY. Loren Reid is back in RVN for his 2d tour. He was Arty coordinator at Phan Thiet but, at last report, was S3, 5th Bn, 27th Arty, working out of Phan Rang AB. Carl Sullinger and Don Williams both departed the Engl Dept for RVN last spring—Carl is now assigned to 4th Inf Div at An Khe as Dpty IG and is flying to fire bases all over the AO; Don is also with the 4th, as Dpty G2, and finds it fascinating work (Don's address: HHC, 4th Inf Div(G2), APO SF 96262. Bob Tredway has departed RVN for C&GSC. Bob was G3 Plans Officer of the 1st Air Cav Div.

Paul Makowski is S3, 2d Bn, 17th Arty at Ban Me Thuot—a mudhole, apparently, but it has nice facilities. Jack and Margaret Ann Downing report with pleasure the birth of their 3d child and 2d girl, Megan Mary, on 10 Aug. Jack and Margaret Ann are living at 3426 B McCormack Rd., APO SF 96557 (Schofield Barracks). Jack says their number is in the book and would like to hear from any classmates passing through Hi.; he also said he saw Larry and Becky Hunt and their children last summer while Larry and Becky were there on R&R. Larry is XO, 52d FA Gp at Pleiku and hopes to go to Europe after RVN. Paul Bons and Willie Collett are both reported at I FF, RVN—Paul in the G3 section and Willie in G3 Plans. Nha Trang itself is off limits, but some beach time is available.

Jack Carson received the BSM while assigned as S3, 3d Bn, 82nd Arty (Americal Div) in RVN. This should be Jack's 2d or 3d trip. Kenda was reported living at 25 Pine St., Dover, Del. Jim Ramsden recently received the RVN Gallantry Cross with SS. Jim left RVN for C&GSC in July. A nice note from John Nun reporting on the situation at Ga. Tech. John and Mimi have been there since Mar. (1231 Fairview Dr., Atlanta, Ga. 30306; tel. 404-373-4031), have plenty of room, and are taking reservations for next yr's. Army-Tech game. John says that both Rube Waddell and Pat Mellin are also at Ga. Tech—Rube at 400 Keenan Lane, College Park, Ga. 30337 and Pat at 2760 Laurens Circle SW, Atlanta, Ga. 30311. Bin and Janet Barta are in Paris now, where Bin is Ln O at the French Ecole d'Etat Major (address: US Ln O Ecole Sup. de Guerre, c/o US Army Attaché, APO NY 09777).

INFANTRY. Doug Detlie and Butch Ordway are having their say about operations of the 1st Air Cav Div—Doug is the G5 and Butch is the G3. A 1st for the Class, if I'm

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1958: Jim Ramsden receiving Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with SS from COL Bao, C/S of ARVN Abn Div at Tay Ninh, 23 June 70.

not mistaken. Mel **Drisko** has reported to WP. He and Jane and the 4 children are living in Qtrs. 209, and Mel is in the Dept of MP&L. Jim **Davis** was awarded the VN Armed Forces Honor Medal at graduation ceremonies at Leavenworth last Spring. Jim and Fran are scheduled for reassignment to Germany. Palmer **McGrew** is headed for the Def Lang Institute (Presidio) from Leavenworth, but I have no word on the language or where he's headed afterward. Bob and Judy **Moore** are in Conn. Bob is doing grad work at Southern Conn. State College in New Haven.

INTELLIGENCE. Nat **Crow** made the front page of the "Hawaii Army Weekly" last July for his efforts in the Freedoms Foundation essay contest—he was awarded $100 and a George Washington Honor Medal. Nat is chief of Current Intelligence Branch, USARPAC, and is living at Ft. Shafter.

MEDICAL CORPS. Dave **Clarke** graduated from the U. of Tex. Med. School last June after completing the 4-yr. program in only 3 yrs. Dave was selected for the accelerated program because of his outstanding academic record at the end of his 2d semester and stood in the upper 3d of a class of 156 students. After internship at Fitzsimons General hospital in Denver, Dave will continue in the Medical Corps.

ORDNANCE. John and Barbara **Palmer** are at Ft. Carson, Colo. (Qtrs. 27) where John is commanding the 705th Maint Bn of the 5th Mech Div. John says that he's enjoying the tour and that it presents enough of a challenge for even his outstanding capabilities. Neil **Williamson** has moved up from XO to CO of the 27th Maint Bn of the 1st Air Cav Div in RVN—and finds that job challenging too. Bruce **Packard** has not been heard of since 1960—would appreciate news of him.

SIGNAL. Tony **Bauer** is the Sig O of the 4th Div and was in the Cambodian operation near Plei Djering.

AIR FORCE. Leo **Sheehan** has spent the last 2 yrs. in the AFIT program and has received his MS degree in civil engring from Sacramento State College, Calif. He was nominated for Phi Kappa Phi after graduation. Leo is now at Cam Ranh Bay flying C-7As while Renate and his 2 daughters Leslie and Stephanie await his return in Sacramento. His address is 458th TAS, CMRI, Box 2823, APO SF 96326. Norm **Monson** has started the AFIT program at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. John **Soper** recently graduated from AFSC at Norfolk, where he received the USAF CM for meritorious service with the 4200th Support Sqdn at Beale AFB, Calif. Walt **Patterson** also graduated from AFSC and was awarded the AM for outstanding airmanship while at Ching Chuan Kang AB, Taiwan. Nick **Carlson** is at Phan Rang AB as navigator on a "Stinger"—the latest thing since "Shadow" and "Spooky."

CIVILIAN. Norm **Gustitis** has moved from Md. to the Gettysburg area, bought a house, and is commuting to the D.C. area, where he is still flying for United Airlines. He says the commuting time is the same and the living a great deal nicer. Dave and Val **Turner** visited the Sheehans in June. Dave is still located "out East" and is still flying for TWA. Larry **Asbury** is reported resigned from the AF and living in North Hampton Beach, N.H. Wayne **Weiss** is apparently flying for an airline and is now living in Los Angeles.

The column depends (Help!) upon its friends—write!

'59

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Another 1st for this column—a letter from **Bill O'Meara!** "I am currently the SE Regional Sales Mgr. for Fairchild Semiconductor. We're a Div. of Fairchild Camera. Joyce and I (and 4 children) are located in Orlando, Fla. but I also have offices in Ft. Lauderdale and Atlanta. Since I left the service, I think we've made more moves than we did while we were in, but I must admit I love the job. We've been here in Fla. now for almost a yr. and look forward to at least 2 more before we move on. I expect the next trek will be to San Francisco, our home base. When we moved to Orlando, we were fortunate enough to get a home with a couple of extra rooms and a pool, so why don't you put the word out that if any '59ers are passing through Central Fla., we would certainly enjoy seeing them." For those who long for that vacation in the sun, Bill's address is 105 Spring Valley Loop, Altamonte Springs, Fla.

1959: Cary and Nadine Beech with Cynthia and Mark.

1959: Don Davis on Maui.

Gerry **Stadler** puts the final tally of new arrivals here at 10. That gives us 34 classmates guiding the Long Gray Line during AY 70-71.

Jim **Hahn**, the new Sr Avn Instr in OMI and my next door neighbor, volunteered some recent experiences. "After finishing CGSC in '69, I made my 2d trip to VN where I was XO, 10th Avn Bn for 6 months and CO, C Trp, 7/17th Air Cav for the 2d half of my tour. While with the 10th Avn Bn, I ran into Ollie **Langford** and Bill **Zaldo** at IFFV G3 Plans. Ollie moved to S3, Task Force South, before arriving back home and is now en route to Ft. Carson. Bill is still in RVN but is with an Arty Bn. He will be going to Ft. Carson also. Monk **Hilliard** spent the night with me en route home in Oct. and is now at Ft. Wolters, Tex. with the Primary Helicopter School. Don **Smart** was with USARV Flight Standardization before taking command of the Air Cavalry Troop, 11th Cav Regt. He came home early to attend Navy PG School at Monterey, Calif., where Bob **Evans** is starting his 2d year. I had lunch with Al **Goodpasture** last fall when he was en route to the 1st Cav Div from Ft. Knox. He is home now and heading for Ft. Hood. When I moved my troop to An Khe in Apr., I found Bruce **Johnson** next door as S3, 5/16th Arty. Joe **Coreth** was there in G3 Plans, 4th Inf Div. Joe has now decided to try civilian life. Jack **Bohman** was with a Corps Arty Searchlight Bn and had his unit all over RVN. When I arrived home from RVN, I found Bill & Bobbi **Fitzgerald** living down the street in Green Cove Springs, Fla. Bill is now an Advisor in RVN. En route to WP we stopped to see Fred & Denise **Franks**. Fred had a weekend home from Valley Forge hospital. As of mid-Sept. he is up and walking a little each day and gets to come home on weekends. He is still expecting release sometime in Jan."

Bob **McDonald** noted Joe **Coreth's** separation listed in the 19 Aug. "Army Times", so it's official. Also Denny **Walter** turned in his green suit recently and joined H. Ross Perot (EDS) in Dallas.

Jack **Neal** has returned for a 2d stint with the Dept. of Foreign Languages. Jack left here in '68 after teaching French for 3 yrs. to become the XO and S3 of an Arty Bn on the DMZ in RVN. '69 was spent at Ft. Benning as the S3 of the 197th Inf Bde. He's FA and found himself a Bit "out of my natural element" there. Jack is one of the 1st

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1959: Wayne Lambert with new FB-111A at Carswell AFB, Tex.

inhabitants of the newly opened Stoney Lonesome housing area here. This incidentally is known locally as "Muddy" Lonesome as the grass hasn't been funded yet. Jack also reports that Jim **Dorsey** recently purchased a beautiful home in East Greenwich, R. I. Jim is a systems Engring Mgr. for IBM.

2 other new arrivals hit the street this summer. Chip and Barbara **Haight** welcomed the arrival of a son Michael Patrick on 31 July and Dave and Lois **Gray** added a 2d child Paul Braxton to their household on 10 Aug. Much work get accomplished in the Law Dept. this summer?

2 of the old hands were able to slip away for the summer. John **Simpson** spent 2 months on the Program Analysis Staff of the Natl Security Council. John indicates that Jack **Ravan** has become the Special Asst to the Fed Co-Chairman of the Coastal Plains Regional Commission; also, that Stan **Kanarowski** has joined CDC at Ft. Belvoir. I went back to my Grad Sch Alma Mater, U. of Ill. on a 2 month Natl Science Foundation Fellowship to study "Probabilistic Design Methods." Gary **Beech** hosted us to "Brave Bulls" as is his custom. He must be one of the last '59 Engrs in grad school. After finishing up his MS in Aug., he will be found in the Public Relations Office of OCE.

Maddy and Big Don **Davis** with their 3 girls and 1 boy are at Ft. Bragg after Don's return from RVN. The accompanying photo was contributed with the following explanation: "The enclosed is none other than our beloved Dancing Bear on R&R on Maui last April. When spotted from the air by an approaching 747, I understand they radioed ahead that one of the volcanoes looked active again."

Jim **Taylor** is an Asst "P" of Math at the AF Academy. He earned his MS degree from the U. of Mich. and holds the aeronautical rating of senior navigator. Gil **Dorland** has transferred from the Credit Dept. to the Eastern Area of the Natl Div. at N. C. Natl Bank in Charlotte. He joined NCNB last Nov. after earning a MBA at Loyola U. in New Orleans.

Geri **Hilmes** indicated that assignments for people coming out of CGSC last June were radically changed at the last minute. George **Kleb** is slated to return to RVN in Feb. Jerry **Hilmes** is the XO of the 4th Engrs (4th Div) after spending a few weeks as Asst Div Engr.

'60

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Many of our alert readers noted in the last ASSEMBLY that while I observed that **Art Judson** had supplied a photo taken at the WP Society of Mich.'s Founders Day Dinner, the photo did not appear. Some classmates anticipated that perhaps it was in color and didn't print. Others thought scheduling problems might have been the cause for omission. However the unkindest cut of all came from Charlie who observed with uncharacteristic sarcasm that Art doubtless wanted to share the picture with all of us, not just the Class Scribe. Accordingly, you will note the submission of Art's picture in this edition.

Tim **Schatzman** must have anticipated that I'd be late with this report. His comprehensive letter arrived at the same time AOG's reminder that this column was due. It is to Tim's wife Judy, however, that we owe a vote of thanks for badgering Tim to abandon his extracurricular activities at the U. of Tex. at Austin and to post us on the professionally rewarding, and at the same time personally satisfying, changes in station of our fellows. Bud and Sue **Mease** left the 2AD at Ft. Hood for RVN via MATA and the language school. Sue is going to stay in Clearwater, Fla. They plan a skiing R&R in Hi. Manuco **Hidalgo** was also at Hood and now back in RVN while Denny stays in Long Island. Larry and Lois **Struck** gave me a break in keeping this report tidy by deciding to go to RVN too. Larry got his degree in O.R. Lois is going to Everett, Wash., to further her research into home winemaking using the Thompson Seedless common to that area. Frank **Cremer** is holding out in G3 Plans, Hq, EUSA, in Korea. He notes that Joe **Cannon** just left after a stint with the Engr section of Hq, KMAG, and that Dave **Bauer** is coming to I Corps Arty. Edith **Bauer** confirms that Dave is in Korea. His address is Hqs I Corps Special Trps, APO San Francisco 96358. Dave and George **Finley** got the MSM upon leaving the U. of Fla. Edith notes that Mike **Gilmartin** and Butch **Nobles** are at Ga. Tech.

Jim **McCollum** is the G3 Advisor to the ARVN Abn Div. Jim's wife Barbara gave birth to another boy Michael on 15 Aug. at Wright-Patterson AFB. In addition to the twins (Jamie, 6 Jennifer, 5) Tim and Barbara have a daughter (Deanna, 8). When the ARVN Abn was working with the 1st Cav, Jim saw several classmates in the Cav. Swift **Martin** was XO, 5 Bn 7th Cav; Jerry **Chapman** was XO, 1st Bn 30th Arty; Bart **Furey** was S3, 2d Bn, 19th Arty; and John **Berti** was Sig O of the 2d Bde. He also saw Dave **Wilkie** at MACV on his way to a CORDS position in NHA Trang. More recently he ran into Don **Whitehead** (MACSOG) and Ed

1960: Jim McCollum with the ARVN Airborne.

1960: W.P. Society of Michigan '60 Founder's Day 3-14-70. Seated, left to right: Gwen Judson, Ann Savio, Mary Jane Brownfield, Rosemary York, Mary Jane Jones, Art Judson. Standing, left to right: Paul Savio, Jim Fairchild, Janice Schaefer, Grant Schaefer, Joan Clarke, Pat Clarke, Harry Brownfield, Jerry York, Lyle Jones.

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Brady (MACV/J-6). I hope AOG will publish the picture Jim enclosed taken after what must have been a classic stand-up landing.

Henry **Fisher** completed the USAF C&GSC at Maxwell AFB in June.

Mitzie **Janszen** and her 3 children are now settled in Maitland, Fla. She has asked me to extend her sincere thanks to all of you for your solicitude in connection with Jim's death.

Craig **Colter** won the USMA "Overreacher" award when he spent time convalescing from a bad spill on a temperamental motorcycle as an instructor in ES&GS. He's now back in RVN flying F105's.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Dirs. at Sterling Pulp & Paper Co., Eau Claire, Wis., Albert J. **Dunlap** was elected Senior VP of the organization.

Our "Lost Classmate" effort has been as effective as a First Sergeant's Savings Bond Drive. Let me give you a tough one. Has anyone seen Garrett **Sampson**? He was last seen entering a saloon in Malmstrom, Mont. We hope to see you at our 10th Reunion. The committeemen here are doing a great job at making it a memorable occasion.

'61

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I just received a copy of Bruce **Cowan's** H-1 Newsletter, so I thought I'd start things off with a little unabashed plagiarism. Don **Barbour** completes his Master's at MIT in Jan. (Nuclear Physics) and comes directly to WP with his new wife in tow, the former Josephine (Jodie) F. Morgan. Don's brother Mark graduated from WP this past spring and is now an Infantryman in Augsburg, Germany, with his new bride. Marge **Bonko** Watson is still living in Lorain, Ohio, with her husband Del and her 2 children Karen and Kathleen. Marge and Del are expecting their 1st child in Nov.

Mike **Brady** and 3 of his associates left Conn. Genl Life Insurance and together formed their own co., Associated Financial Corp. Included among their activities are real estate investments, equipment leasing, all forms of insurance, and stock portfolio management. Mike now finds himself as VP of his own co. with a suite of offices in the John Hancock Center in downtown Chicago. Drew **Casani** was married last Dec. to a gal he first met in Colorado Springs a few yrs. ago. Then in Feb. of this yr. Drew left Bunnie for RVN and an assignment as the Logistics Advisor at the Vietnamese Natl Mil. Acad. in Dalat. Drew is very much impressed with the caliber of the 1,000 cadets and their officer cadre. George **Cherry** continues working towards his Ph.D. in accounting at Tulane where Buzz **Randall** just finished up his Master's. Bruce **Lammers** has one yr. to go there.

Shifty and Carolyn **Cornelius** are still in Houston. They plan on making our 10th Reunion. Brom **Cook** is with Wells Fargo in Saugus, Mass. Tod **Counts** is an ROTC instructor at Vanderbilt. After 2 tours at Ft. Campbell and this 1 at Vanderbilt (out of 4 Army assignments) Todd is adopting Nashville as his 2d home. Bruce **Cowan** is the Asst. XO, OCE. He spends a good bit of his time aiding to the Dpty Chief of Engrs and accompanies him on most of his many trips. This sounds like the type of job one would dream for. Bruce was even allowed to keep his government quarters at Ft. Belvoir even though he works at the Forrestal Bldg. in DC. Mike **Eiland** is now passing the 3½-yr. mark in RVN and was last reported working in MACV-COORDS. Ken **Geiger** is with CDCEC, Ft. Ord, Calif., and will leave for RVN in Dec. Lonie and Bob **Kewley** are now at WP along with Carol and Donn **Miller**. Russ and Marie **Phelps** are still living in Bel Air, Md. Russ's job with the Human Engring Labs took him to Germany a few times this past yr. Cookie and Nick **Plodinec** are enjoying a stabilized assignment at Tinker AFB, Okla. where Nick is an instructor on the C-141.

Joe **Russo** is teaching and studying at Trenton State College. As a bachelor he's very pleased with the 3-1 ratio of women to men there. He maintains his own home on the Jersey shore complete with dock and 150 ft. riverfront. Mike **Underwood** is now in RVN after nearly 3 yrs. with CDCEC at Ft. Ord. Judy and their 3 children will be awaiting his return in Pueblo, Colo.

Came across 2 random newspaper clippings on our Class. Bob **Herrick** and family were featured in a sizable spread on Ft. Benning in the 3 July edition of the "N. Y. Times." Bob is the Dpty Secy of the Inf School and leaves there for AFSC in Jan. The 2d article was a small note in the "Army Times" marking Don **Lockey** as one of 4 honor graduates (out of 1341 students) in the 69-70 C&GSC class. 2 members of that class are now here at WP: Moose **Harmon** and John **Votaw**. Frank **Rauch** went to DC from Leavenworth while Bob **Chelberg** is off to RVN. Tom **Sherburne** just graduated from AFSC, but I don't know his current assignment. Jim and Heidi **Madden** (That's right! He finally did it!) left AFSC and are now at U. of Rochester.

Dr. Neil **Grigg** has just been named Asst. Dean of the U. of Denver College of Engring. Neil is a specialist in water resources and has served as a consultant in Colo. and is a principal in the consulting engring firm of Sellerds and Grigg.

Jim **Goldstine** was last reported to be with the 101st in RVN, while Merrillyn awaits his return in Lawton, Okla.

From the AF we hear that Ben **Glidden**, an admin officer at USAFA, was a key factor in the Academy's winning a USAF Outstanding Unit Award. Dave **Teal** was awarded his 2d AF Commendation Medal for his work as a project officer in the propulsion branch at the Space and Missile Systems Organization, Los Angeles.

John **Java** is back to RVN after having completed an M.S. in Petroleum Engring at U. of Pitt. Got a note from Jim **Nicholson** who is now starting law school in Denver. Jim's been working for an engring consulting firm dealing in real estate. I don't know whether he's going to school full time as of yet or whether he plans on working and studying concurrently.

Ken **Hruby** will finish up his M.B.A. this coming Spring at U. of Ga. He sounds thoroughly enchanted with school life. He writes: "There's something about being able to let the sideburns creep down that makes up for a lot of rain and mud in the boonies. They call it 'psychic income' in and around the campus. . . ." After having just finished up my stint of civilian schooling myself (M.A. from Middlebury College this summer), I know the feeling. The psychic income of aging Infantrymen seems to suffer from continual devaluation.

Tom **Stone**, who is studying history at Rice in preparation for his assignment at WP, is writing his thesis on General Pershing as AEF Cmdr. In the course of his research Tom interviewed USMA's oldest living graduate, BG Louis M. Nuttman (1895) at his home in San Francisco. Tom also took a trip to Atlanta as the winning contestant judging the putting abilities of some newsmen and sportscasters, etc. While he was there, he saw Bert **Yancey**. For a humble student Tom is ranging far and wide from Astroland. Gabe **Gabriel** has also been making tracks since he left Ariz. State. He spent a week at Benning with Dick **Clark** and Jerry **White** where they ran into Jack **Veach** on the night firing range. Jack told them that Frank **Erhardt** was recovering from surgery at Martin AH there. Clancy **Matsuda** (x '61) is also at Benning in BBOD. For the old Stewart AFB Prep School group, Gabe saw John **Lawton** and Bill **Jones** (both x '61) who are now stationed at Benning also. Gabe and Jo Ann were the guests of Paul **Vallely** at the Presidio where Paul is still aide to LTG Larsen. In RVN Warren **Miller** flew Gabe to Quang Tri in his C-130. Warren is on a short tour to Taiwan, but his family was able to join him there for the summer. Gabe reported to the 1st Bde, 5th Inf (MECH) where he promptly ran into Gail **Burchell**, the Bde's Engr Officer.

Sandy **Walters** leaves CDC at Ft. Knox in Nov. for MACV. His family will stay in Louisville this time also. Sandy says that Quinn **Pearl** has opened his law office outside of Knox in Radcliff.

Got a long note from Marty **Ganderson**, who is now stationed at Ft. Monroe along with Al **Lubke** and R.J. **Wooten**. Marty is the local WP chapter Secy, and he urges any grads in the area to contact him (PO Box 327, Ft. Monroe). The chapter is planning many activities including trips to both the U. of Va. and Navy games. Joe **Czuberki** and Chuck **Hodell** left the Hampton area recently for Korea.

Bob **Stegge** is now at OPO but managed to get away last Spring to visit the Hydes at WP and come to a fantastic 60-61 party. Frank **Tilton** came through to settle Liz at Stewart AFB while he goes to RVN. Ted **Vander Els** is off to the Americal Div while Ron **Seylar** heads for Korea. Ellen will wait in Alexandria.

Sorry these notes are so dry, but I just got back to WP, and like the cadets, I'm still trying to get myself grooved in once again.

All my chiding about pollution either checked the birth rate or people are not reporting. These are all I have: The Boys: Kenneth Christopher (6 June '70) to Billie and Ken **Hruby**; Anderson Howell III (2 Dec. '69) to Petie and Sandy **Walters**; Christopher David (6 July '70) to the **Xenos**. The Girls: Kathleen Holly (12 Dec. '69) to Judie and Mike **Brady**; Melinda Kathryn (17 Apr. '70) adopted by Liz and Frank **Tilton**.

'62

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Let me be the first to introduce you to your new Scribe, winner of "Dream House," Don **Street**. Don was also the winner of the election that brought him to this new pinnacle in his career. You will be interested to know that it was a victory hammered out in the democratic arena that has come to characterize the elective process for Class Officers. Typical of the reactions was that voiced by Jerry **Comello** when nominated

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1962: This is a full view of the REASONER at the Lockheed Shipbuilding Harbor in Seattle.

1962: The USS REASONER slides gracefully into the water after its christening.

1962: Frank Reasoner's widow Mrs. Robert Svingen and his mother Mrs. James Curry are the co-sponsors of the ship, and reflected their happiness at the launching.

to this high post by his good friend (?) Ed **Hendren**, "#/@-¢%$&(." It was a relief for all of us when Jerry's blood pressure subsided enough after the election to return the back of his neck to its normal color. According to Ed's wife, Ed is on the mend and will be back to work any day now. It was decided by the Class Committee that as our permanent class officers return to WP they will assume their office. Joining George **Kirshenbauer** (Pres) on the Class Committee for this year are Bill **Cross** (VP), John **Landry** (Secy), AZ **Miller** (Treas), Art **Crowell** (Soc Chrmn), and Don **Street** (Scribe).

A large number of us have moved, are moving, or will certainly move by Thanksgiving into Stony Lonesome. As in hundreds of similar new housing developments throughout the country there are bright spots as well as dim. The quarters themselves are spacious, comfortable, and certainly pleasant. Minor engring problems such as laundry rooms that cannot accommodate washers and dryers have not doused our enthusiasm for life. Unfortunately, there was not enough money to build everything connected with the house, but Family Housing has been kind enough to supply us with material lists, plans, prices of all materials, and places to buy them for items not on the house such as a storage shed. It is generally agreed that we are lucky that they were able to afford the roof!

As you recall from the Spring Issue, we planned to send Stu **Sherard** to Seattle for the launching of the Escort Ship REASONER. Here is his report: The purpose of this letter is to report to the Class on my recent trip to Seattle, Wash., to attend the launching of the Destroyer Escort REASONER. Gary and Debbie **Paxton** (ROTC, U. of Wash.) and I attended the launching ceremonies as representatives of the Class. I only wish that more classmates could have been there because it was a tremendously moving ceremony and one which had a special meaning for all members of the Class of '62.

The Destroyer Escort REASONER is a graceful and beautiful ship, and I think it only appropriate that she be named after a great Marine. She is the 2d of 5 ships of her class that Lockheed Shipbuilding and Construction Co. will build for the U. S. Navy. The first was the RATHBURNE (named after a Revolutionary War hero) which was delivered to the Navy in May of this yr.

The REASONER is a KNOX-class escort ship which is 438 ft. long, has a beam of 46 ft., 9 in., displaces 3,877 tons and has 35,000 hp. Her armament includes an anti-submarine rocket launcher, one 5 in. 54 cal. gun, 4 torpedo tubes and space and weight reservation for a self-defense missile system.

Keel for the REASONER was laid on 6 Jan. '69, and she was launched on 1 Aug. '70. However, it will probably be about 12 more months until she is formally commissioned into the Navy. She still needs a superstructure, plus her weapons have yet to be mounted.

I talked with Frank's mother Mrs. James Curry, his wife Sally (Mrs. Robert Svingen), and his son Michael. Hopefully, I conveyed to them how proud the Class is of Frank and his accomplishments. They are fine, fine people and both WP and the Class of '62 should feel very close to them. I'm sure that they would like to hear from any classmate who would want to write. I'm sorry that I don't have Sally's address, but she can be reached through Frank's mother: Mrs. James C. Curry, 609 Chestnut St., Kellogg, Idaho 83837.

Let me conclude this brief letter by stating a part of Frank's citation for the Medal of Honor: "Lt. **Reasoner** gave his life to enable members of his reconnaissance patrol to accomplish their mission on July 12, 1965 near Danang, Vietnam. When the five-man patrol came under heavy fire from more than 50 Viet Cong in concealed positions, he provided covering fire for an assault on the enemy positions, killing at least two Viet Cong and silencing an automatic weapons position in a valiant attempt to evacuate a wounded man. When his radio operator was wounded, then hit a second time, LT **Reasoner** ran to his aid through withering enemy fire and was mortally wounded."

When the REASONER is commissioned in approximately 12 months, she will be assigned her 1st crew. I only hope that they do their duty and serve their country as well as the young officer whose name their ship will proudly carry. /S/ Stu Sherard

A-1. **Saz** came through with a phone call after all my agitation to report that he is out now on a disability he suffered from a parachute jump. He is working for a steel corp., and of all coincidences he lives in the same town that he did on his first ADA assignment, Munster, Ind. That isn't too far from the Ind Turnpike, so drop in if you are passing through. Also had a call from **Joe Porter** who stopped by WP this summer. He is teaching stability operations at Ft. Sill. Marsh **Carter** sent a note from VN where he is advising the RVN Marines. He got R&R his 1st month in country—to Cambodia. He reports that Bob **Krause** is doing his 1st yr. apprenticeship at the Naval PG School in Monterey. Here at WP Larry **Gunderman** won his flight in Club Championship, and Joe **Szwarckop** was chosen the most beautifully coiffed man at the last Class luncheon. What's happened to Gene **Baxter**, Jan **Molvar**, and Mike **Schredl**?

B-1. In June I got a call from Barry **Butzer** to play tennis. He looked like he had been laying around soaking up bennies from the tan, but I was unable to detect any fat on the big fella. He says he's got lots of room if you are passing through Charlottesville. Pete **Wuerpel** showed up in late Aug. breathing fire and brimstone. He got switched to the Tac Dept from PE, and the closest thing to a uniform he had was a tennis racket

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1962: Left to right, Gail and Bob Ord, Ann and Charlie Murray, Ralph and Noel Burr, and Brian and Lillian McEnany enjoy a cookout at the Burr's home in Manassas.

and his cadet gym shoes. As always he looks good, especially since he let his hair grow out to .2 cm! He and Joyce are the new parents of a little girl, their 4th child. Chris **Stanat** is out of the Marine Corps now, and I heard that he was doing some kind of missionary work though that is not definite. Bert **Cadwell** was last heard of in London where he was producing TV shows. His sister Frankie had some publicity in "Time" a few months ago in connection with advertising and women's lib. Ralph **Pryor** is back from VN and has an ROTC job in Nebr. or Idaho—somewhere out West. Guys that haven't been heard from in some time include Joe **Kieffer**, Bud **Maidt**, Matt **Whelton**, Howie **Batt**, Jim **Andress**, Larry **Parmenter**, and Sammie **Carr**.

C-1. Not a lot new with this group. Apparently Tom **Moore** was satisfied with his "short tour" with the civilians and is back with us once again. Dan **Woodman**, Denne **Sweeney**, and Bob **Shuey** seem to be permanently lost. If you know their whereabouts, let us know.

D-1. Sonny **Sloan** checked in from Ohio State where he is with the ROTC. He and Carol have 2 boys and a girl now. Deane and Sissy **Stanley** had their 1st tax exemption in early Sept., a little girl. Bob **Douglas** is just getting started at the Navy PG School. Apparently Larry **Larsen** squared CDC away and has moved to another job in DC. The following have gone unreported for some time, so if you know anything about their location pass it along. Billie **Thomas**, Jerry **Lape**, Bob **Hufschmid**, John **Fee**, John **Regan**, Bud **Reeves**, Pete **Oldfield**, Tom **Kilmartin**, Don **Stewart**, Nick **Hurst**, Bill **Byrd**, and Al **McElhose**.

E-1. Al **DeJardin** works in purchasing for Rohm and Haas Chemical in Philly and does night work on his MBA. Al's brother Don is the big mover who got the Carolina Cougars going and is now Gen. Mgr. of the 76'ers. How about some tickets Al? Ty **Cobb** is the loudest classmate at the football games this yr., having deafened 3 people, including me. Speaking of noise, how about these people standing up and being counted: Ken **Dolsen**, John **Godwin**, Lew **Higinbotham**, Tony **Lawson**, Cliff **McKeithan**, Mike **McDonnel**, Bill **Millerlile**, Chris **Robbins**, and Chris **Spivey**.

G-1. Heard through the grape vine that Butch **Darrell** is in Germany, but don't have any particulars. At the Holy Cross game, Ron **Tumlin**, Fred **Bothwell**, and Tom **McGarry** were holding what looked like a pretty good reunion. Lots of people would like to hear what Paul **Wertz**, Steve **Wagner**, Dick **Barry**, Jerry **Seay**, Erik **Johnsson**, Frank **Meehan**, Dick **Cacioppe**, Sammy **Samaniego**, and Ken **Lutes** are doing.

H-1. Tom **Herre** made up for 8 yrs. of silence with a long letter that is worth a longer look. After he got out, he went to work for Kimberly-Clark. "During this time I stayed active in the Reserves and gradually discovered that I was more interested in the Reserves than in Kimberly-Clark. This led to the decision to apply for recall to active duty . . . it was of great importance to me to try civilian life and answer the questions about it that would have gnawed at me thru a military career if I hadn't. In my case the answers I experienced made me realize that an Army career was what I wanted. With that behind me I feel that I now have the benefit of a little extra dedication that some might lack." Drive on Tom! Rog **Lee** also came through with a letter from sunny Coral Gables where he is the CO of an Induction Center "keeping busy putting 'long hours' in service, fighting off demonstrations, and keeping my name out of the local headlines for racking up a hippie or 2." He and Ginny have 2 daughters—another example of what melon balls did for us! Charlie **Hertel** is safely settled in an English Dept cubicle where he works diligently at keeping his pipe from setting his mustache ablaze. Win **Clark** is now in Europe as the btry comdr of a PERSHING unit. Dave **Noake** is now at VMI with the ROTC Instructor Gp. He and Becky live in Lexington. How about a fix on Joe **Pendergraft**, Charlie **Brown**, Jim **Gleason**, Bob **Coyne**, George **Sarran**, and Win **Ward**?

I-1. Reid **Franks** has been pinpointed at Duke where he is studying military history. He and Carolyn have 2 boys and a girl. Bill **Kinard** and his family stopped through WP last spring on their way to Europe. Not much else is new, though if Dave **Jones**, Merle **Williams**, Gordie **Geiss**, Don **Woeber**, Stan **Thompson**, George **Telenko**, and Rog **Hilton** wrote—there would be.

K-1. Dwayne **Piepenburg** is leaving USAFA for a short tour in RVN, then back to school at U. of Colo. and finally returning to USAFA. Leslie Ann and the family will remain in Colo. Springs. Not much new with the rest of this crew. Where is John **Nau**?

L-1. Haven't gained any real knowledge about this bunch lately. Everyone is fairly well up to date except Ron **Tumelson** and Mike **Vranish**, about whom little is known.

M-1. Tex **Merrill** has just finished up an RVN tour and is rumored to be going to Monterey and PG School. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the following individuals is advised to help them claim a missing inheritance: Jim **Tumpane**, Steve **Hablett**, Dick **Hartman**, Dave **Sholly**, Todd **Stong**, Al **Scarsella**, Bill **Swartz**, Bill **Smith**, Vito **Caputo**, and Bob **Garrett**.

A-2. Bill **Evans** graduated recently with honors from the U. of Fla. Law School and is now practicing in Ft. Lauderdale. Too much! Matt **Kambrod** is in the Car Course at Sill. He is a budding author, having had several articles published in aviation magazines. Ernie **Webb** was the victim of an intelligence operation against his sideburns. Apparently someone with a telephoto lens took pictures of his muttonchops and passed them on to the highest levels. Big brother is watching! Erv **Kamm** is rumored to be working for Control Data somewhere in the Midwest. Up here at Woo Poo, Art **Crowell** has a new Honda that he is either working on or riding. It has the same maintenance ratio as an early helicopter. Fred **Tilton**, Rog **Havercroft**, Eldon **Spradling**, and Dick **Lembo** where are you and what are you doing?

B-2. Not a lot new on this illustrious bunch. Had a nice note from Jim **Acklin's** wife Becky, and she filled in some info. Jim was an attaché in London prior to his current tour with the 173d, and he got an M.A. in Int Rel to boot. After this short tour he will go to school at Ill. for a degree in nuclear physics. What has happened to Ed **Bailey**?

C-2. Received a news release on Wayne **Snow**, he is with the ROTC at Lafayette College in Easton, Pa. Jim **Lau** is back on Okinawa with the 3d Marine Div for his umpteenth tour there. Except for Ed **Brown**, Don **Chafetz**, John **King**, Bill **Miller**, Bob **Sikorski**, Marlin **Schmidt**, Sam **Steele**, and Will **Worthington** everyone else is taken care of in Charlie Deuce for the yr.

D-2. There are a lot of question marks in this company except for people up here and a few others. It is believed that Sam **Meyer** and John **Ferguson** are out but no details. Someone let us know what is going on with Pete **Broom**, Rog **McNamara**, John **Novotny**, Tom **Slaggie**, Gerry **Tysver**, and Steve **Warner**.

E-2. J. J. **Kelly** has finished up his nuc engr degree at A&M and is now at Sandia Base working for DASA. He and Kaye have a boy and girl. Dave **Riggs** is back at WP now along with Frank **Scharpf** and Ernie **Zenker**, all who came in this summer. Dave **Neumann** works for the Trane Co. in La Crosse, Wis., a manufacturer of air conditioning and heating equipment. What has

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happened to Dan **Teed**, Larry **Bachelor**, Dave **Swick**, Wayne **Parker**, and Craig **Richardson**?

F-2. Everyone is pretty well caught up here except for John **DeVore**, Don **Pederson**, and TR **Davis**. Send in some info on these people if you know something.

G-2. Dave **Symanski** is in Stock Transfer Admin at a bank in Wyckoff, N. J. He and Kay had a little girl in Feb., their 2d child. We need to get filled in on these fellas: Jeff **Alt**, Walt **Cooper**, Jim **Cowles**, Paul **Schott**, Dick **Sklar**, Dud **Taylor**, and Gene **Welper**.

H-2. Wayne and Linda **Downing** stopped by WP for the day in early Sept. after a European vacation. Both looked great after their trip. Wayne is working on a handlebar mustache and is enjoying Tulane. Bill **Cauthen** is among the group bemoaning the housing situation at Leavenworth. Bob **Ord** finished up his aide job and is now in Atlanta going to Ga. Tech. Brian **McEnany** saw the **Ords** as well as Ralph **Burr** and his wife at a D.C. party. Brian is a research analyst in the Pentagon. He reports that Ralph is going to the U. of Ga. in Int Rel. How about a sitrep from Phil **Fuller**, Ed **Pabich**, Mike **Bartleme**, Don **Kauer**, and Jack **Garrett**?

I-2. Jim **Mount** was in the Car Course at Sill until he hurt his back playing softball and riding his motorcycle. He's now dropped back a class. While he was in the hospital, his cat gave birth to 2 kittens. Not bad for a bachelor. Bob **Jordon** is also at Sill as the S3 of the Arty Combat Leader Bn. Bill **Gavan** is now at Leavenworth for the short course. Al **Lynch** was at the Holy Cross game looking prosperous. Jeff **Withers** is a Tac, and Neil **Nydegger** is on the academic side up here. Ed **Hamilton** is studying Russian at Penn. How about some help on the activities of Larry **Amon**, Roy **Cole**, and John **Taylor**?

K-2. Jim **Peterson** and Don **Williamson** have arrived to grace the academic halls. Jim in English and Don in History. What has happened to Fred **Comer**, Ken **Herring**, and Russ **Reich**?

L-2. Jack **Reavill** reported that Susie presented him with their 3d boy in a row last Apr. Jack is a TPI inspector at CONARC. Steve **West** is leaving his job in New Orleans as a Dpty District Engr in New Orleans to go to RVN. Dave **Windom** turned over his aide job to John **Waters** and is in VN now. Cal **Johnson** just graduated from the Navy PG School, but I don't know where he went. Haven't heard anything about Rog **Caldwell**, Gil **Gilstad**, Jim **Schmidt**, and Pete **Horoschak** of late. How about it?

M-2. Hank **Urna** is an instructor in the Guided Missile Dept at Sill. He has been married a short time now. John **O'Neal** is studying English at Penn. George **Handy** is at Leavenworth for C&GS. How about some poop on John **Finlayson**, Mike **Gibson**, Mac **Howard**, John **Meceda**, Ken **Pakula**, and Waide **Rishel**?

That completes my last column, hope you enjoyed them this yr. The big key to success is getting some kind of poop into the Scribe. You all see and hear of people all yr. long, how about making a note and passing it on? Everyone wants lots of news so everyone contribute. Keep in mind the Educational Fund that needs your support as much as anything. Have a good yr. and stay loose, only 10 more yrs. until we come into the zone for LTC. **Dick Chegar**

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As a result of the constitution amendment replies returned to Pat **Tate**, I've received quite a lot of notes for this issue—but no pictures. If you have any black and white snapshots of classmates, please send them in. Those of us stationed here got together on 11 Sept. and voted into office a new Class Committee for this next yr.: Danny **Willson** is the Chairman; Bill **Boice** the Vice Chairman, Dean **Dowling**, Secy.; Len **Gregor**, Social Dir.; Bob **Foley**, Ticket Rep., and Fred Peters, an associate classmate who is with the Tac Dept. The new committee is anxious to initiate a program of investment and proposed uses of our Class fund—now some $6,000. If you have any ideas on uses for it—such as education for the children of deceased classmates—please send them to Bill **Boice** in the Dept. of Engr.

Now, to the notes I've received. From Nona and Clark **Ballard**: Al **Christiansen** is at Tulane in New Orleans working on Opns Research for a couple of yrs.; Phil and Suzie **Bosma** are at Ga. Tech where Phil is studying Opns Research as well, and lately, Terry and Elaine **Alger** have announced the birth of a son Terrence F. III, 13 Aug. '70. Congratulations to you both. Tom **Casey** wrote from Stanford U. to say that he and Martha have a 2d daughter, Kelly Anne born last 21 Apr. Tom is leaving the service in a few weeks and entering the Stanford Grad School of Bus on 29 Sept. for an MBA. Tom has seen several people lately—T. P. **Carney** is in Opns Research at Stanford and doing a lot of acting on the side to include a major role in "Feiffer's People." Curt **Esposito** stopped by there to say hello on his way to Pleiku, II Corps HQ, G3 Plans Advisor. Curt wrote Tom that "He misses . . . steaks, french fries, Patsy, Kathy, Alicia . . . Penny, Louise, etc. . . ." Incidentally, Curt is programmed to be in the Hist Dept at some future date. The Dept of Hist is an offshoot from the Dept of MA&E which his father headed here for many yrs. Back to Tom's note: Rudy and Sandy **Ehrenberg** have a 2d son Steven as of last Apr. Rudy is working on 2 Masters' Degrees at Stanford. Dick and Sandy **Scharf** added a new little girl Tina last July. Doug **Gladfelter** is in Elect Engr there; John **Ellerson** is at Monterey learning Spanish. John's in the FAST program. Andy **Gothreau** is in RVN, and Pam and their 2 daughters are in Lawton, Okla. with her parents. That's it from Tom—thanks for the news.

Joe **Robertson** writes that he resigned in Jan. '68 and promptly married the lovely Tony Eisler of Scarsdale, N.Y. As Joe is interested in aviation, he bought an airport in Spartanburg! Joe **Bianco** is headed for Stanford for 18 months and will be living in Santa Clara. Give him a ring at 408-247-2830. Art **Oxley**, now out of the AF, is working as an engr. and product mgr. at the Exact Weight Scale Co. in Columbus, Ohio. Art says he and his wife visited Joe and Judy **Lengyel** in Pittsburgh last May and reports that they are doing well. Thanks for the note, Art. Larry **Spear** in Charleston, S.C., says that he is now a C-5A pilot and enjoys the job. He will be there for 2 yrs. or more and asks people to drop in and say hello (1035 Woodside Dr.).

I have a birth announcement from Sibley and Jim **Hannigan**, announcing the arrival of Jan Doris on 23 Aug. Jim is in RVN and will be home early next yr. when he plans to go into the computer field. Sibley is staying in her home area of Millbrook, N.Y. Diana **Clinton** wrote Hank **Morris** that she and Roy had a good cruise in the Caribbean prior to Roy's leaving for Tuy Hoa, RVN. Diana says Dan and Jean **Struble** are out of the service now and in Cincinnati, Ohio, with Avon. Paul **Sutton** is in VN for the 2d time while Joan is at her Conn. home. Thanks for the news, Diana.

I hear that Steve **Chapman** works in DC for RCA Computer Systems Div.—he is still single but now in the countdown. Steve **Popielarski** is back from VN and a civilian studying law in Philadelphia. Don, Rita, and Sharon **Siebenaler** are at Monterey where Don is working to improve his Russian. He says that Gary **Klauminzer** is still teaching at Stanford in Physics. Paul and Annalee **Henning** had their 1st child in Mar.: Hillary. Congratulations! Thanks for the note, Don. Mike **Boyle** wrote "after 7 long yrs."—he spent 3 yrs. falling out of airplanes with the 101st and, desiring to land in one, transferred to the AF. He's been in RVN and is now with Linda, Mike (6), and Brandt (4) at Bitberg AFB, Germany. Mike says Buddy and Laura **Crumpler** are in N. C. at the U. Don and Jeannie **Murff** are in Tex. where Don is working at A&M on a Soils Engring degree. They have 2 children, Jimmy (5) and Roger (4). Thanks for the news, Mike.

Karl **Beach** wrote from Ft. Hood, Tex. where he is with the III Corps AG shop. Ray **McQuary** resigned in June '69 and is now in law school at the U. of Tex. Pete **Bentson**, still at Monterey in school, hopes to visit WP around Xmastime. Joe **Almaguer** is heading into dental school at NYU this fall, while Kathy will be teaching ballet in the Mid-Hudson Valley area nearby WP. Bob **Wood** writes from Ga. Tech where he is in Opns Research. He mentions that his wife Kit, and Suzie, Bobby, and Beth are fine. Others there with Bob: Dick **Eckert**, Tom **Wilson**, Phil **Bosma**, Dick **Cole**, Don **Conrad**, Phil **Mock**, and John **Counts**.

Bill **Baucum** wrote from VN where he is a Dist Senior Advisor in Cai Lay Dist. He is on his 2d tour. Eva is expecting their 2d child at the end of Nov. Their eldest son is now 5-yrs.-old. Pete **Weyrauch** is at Long Binh, RVN where he is the Command Briefer, working out of G3 with the Army Opn Center. Matt **Miller** is in the LOC (Lines of Communication) Div in the Engr Command. Karl **Schwartz** writes that he and Linda had their 3d child on 10 July—a baby girl named Kathryn Louise. Congrats to you both.

Fred **Schaum**, now here at WP in MP&L, thanks everyone for their response to his questionnaire. He says he received 55% replies and will notify everyone when the results are ready through this column. Those desiring to see them can then let Fred know. A letter from Bob **Scheidig** at Monterey arrived wherein he reports that Wendy **Gideon** is in the JAG Corps law degree program at the U. of Mo. He says that John **Robbins**, Ian **Ferris**, and Luke **Woods** are arriving in Monterey in Sept. for Opns Research Studies at the Naval PG School. Bob asks that anyone in the San Francisco/Monterey area contact him for news on a monthly class luncheon for '63—write him at Box 1621, USN PG School, Monterey 93940. Thanks for the note Bob. Phil **Mock** is at Ga. Tech with all the folks mentioned earlier. He writes that Tony **McKinnon**, Wally **Speed**, and Bert **Westbrook** are all at Emory in Law School. I think that Tony has finished and passed his bar exams. Phil is studying Industrial Management.

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Ray **Klopotek** wrote from Edwards AFB, Calif., and said he was heading for Maxwell AFB, Ala. to the Sqdn Officers' School next Jan. Rich **Goldsmith** returned from Cambodia on 3 June and went with Sue to New Orleans where he is at Tulane in Opns Research. He reports Robert (2) and Amy (3½) fine. Jim and Elaine **Lang** are still at USAFA but are soon heading to England to work on a Doctorate. That sounds tremendous, Jim. Thanks for the news, Rich. Ed **Greybeck** is headed for Korea leaving Dede and the boys in Huntington Beach, Calif. He reports having seen only Charlie **Nahlik** who is at Ft. Riley, Kan. for a yr.

A letter from Al **Scott** establishes that he is at Dong Tam as S3 of the 93d Engrs. Lynn and their 2 little gals are at White Sands Missile Range and will meet Al in Hi. in Sept. Bill **Ivy** wrote from VN where he says he was flying Spooky's but has now (on 2d tour) switched to B-52's. He says that 1 evening he supported Army **Lujan** at Dak To. Bill congratulates Ray **Nickla** on his AF below-the-zone promotion! Cammy **Lewis'** envelope has him at the U. of S. C. with the "Fighting Gamecocks." Drop a line, Cammy.

Bob **McNeill** is a lawyer now with the 101st Abn Div in RVN. Dewey **Lafond** is with the 8th Engr Bn in RVN while Joanie is waiting for him in Wash. She is flying on 747's and hopes to get to Saigon and see Dew. Jay and Janet **McClatchey** have purchased a townhouse near DC and are awaiting its completion so they can move in. Jay is with Mapping and Charting in DIA. Also in Wash. is Frank **Hall** who is still in Legislative Liaison at the Pentagon and a Social Aide to Pres. Nixon. Frank recently flew to the Western White House where the Pres. gave a party celebrating Frank's promotion! Frank was here with a lovely date—Mimi Blackburn—for the Holy Cross game.

A note from Jon **Lundin** who reports a wife Becky, a daughter Liv Noelle (3), and that he is out of the Army and working for the 3M Company in St. Paul, Minn. He lives on **Arbogast** St., but says that is no relation, maybe, to Gordy.

I'm getting on down through this pile now, but there's still a ways to go. Lee **Rizio**, in N. Y. and out of the AF, is with IBM selling computers to Pan Am World Airways. He and Cheryl report that their little 6-yr.-old gal and 4-yr.-old boy are fine. Lee said he ran into Herm **Hipson** of our Plebe and Yearling days—Herm is a salesman at IBM; lives in Boston. Paul **Brownback** writes that he graduated from the Talbot Theological Seminary with a Master's of Divinity degree and is the Dean of the Word of Life Bible Institute in Pottersville, N. Y. I think Curry **Vaughan** was there recently and saw him. Congratulations on that appointment Paul—I know it recognizes a lot of hard work and dedication.

And even more: Don **Bryne** will finish his MBA degree at the U. of Mass. in Jan. Joe **Blackgrove** writes from Ga. (Columbus) that he, Gene **Cargile** (headed for Tulane), Ted **Yamashita** (to Ill. U.), Dennis **Taillie** (to Ga. Tech) and Dick **James** (with Benning Inf Board) have just graduated from the Car Course. Joe is going to join Gary **Sausser**, Gene **Blackwell**, and Mike **Natig** at Ind. for a PE degree and then join OPE here at WP. Dave **Cole** is at Purdue working on his Master's. He and Connie and their 2 girls, Staci (5) and Tiffani (2), are headed to WP to join the TD after school is out.

Al **Shine** is at Harvard before coming here in the Dept of Hist. He says he ran into Robby **Vanneman** in Harvard Square a few months ago. Rob and Sue are in San Francisco now along with Rog and Karin **Bivens**. All with Bank of America, I think. Al calls Rob the J. P. Morgan of the 1980's. Al **Marrow** wrote from Fla. where he is in Land-use planning for the Trans Dept. He sends his best to '63.

Don **Fuller** and Charlie were at Benning where Don saw Paul **Maxwell**. Paul is at Auburn in the MBA program. Don is in RVN while Charlie is waiting his return at Attleboro, Mass. I just went off to rest my hand after this much of the column and came back to see the pile of notes still the same size. From drought to flood between this 1 and the last. Steve **Popielarski** phoned last night and said he wasn't in Africa as I had mentioned in the last news. But then, of course, after writing "VN" for a while my fingers rebel and start putting other things on the paper. Here's someone not in RVN—Russ **Simonetta** and Phyllis (expecting No. 3 in Oct.) are at Niagara U. in the ROTC Shop. Russ is also the Asst. Basketball coach with the Freshmen who had a 20-2 season last yr.

Lou **Mari** and Dave **Mabardy** are classmates at Benning in the IOAC, says Lou—and the only '63ers there in the class. Lou says that he is staying busy chasing girls around Columbus and studying. Linda **Dean** wrote that Dick is in RVN. Al **Clark** said he was hired recently as an investment analyst with EDS Corp. in Dallas. Congratulations, Allen. Short note from Rich **Entlich** at the U of Mo. notes that Sam **Davidson** is there as well. Both working on their M.S. degrees—in Math and CE respectively. Doug **Williams** a civilian in NYC—working with a bank. Buz **Rolfe** is at the Harvard Bus. School as a civilian after leaving Hood. Buz—did you read what "Up the Organization" says about HBS?

Craig **Turpin** writes that he and Wanda and their kids—Christine 5½ and Billy 4—after a yr. in Dayton, Ohio have moved to New Orleans, La., where he is a production engr with Humble Oil. He is a resevoir engr for a big field in the Gulf. Craig and Wanda invite you to call them if you're down their way. Sam **Thompson** is at Ohio State with his lovely Babs working on a Ph.D. in Geodesy. Sam was chosen from among many Army engrs who applied for that opportunity and deserves congratulations. Good luck! Ralph **Drewfs** wrote recently—he and Sue were married in Wash. State in July '65 and subsequently moved to RVN, Belvoir, San Diego, and RVN again. Sue stayed at home in Portland, Ore., while Ralph was overseas. Ralph left the service recently and is working for the Hobart Manufacturing Co. in Troy, Ohio—1301 Trade Square West. Thanks, Ralph.

John **Roth** wrote from Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. After marrying Miss Nancy Rockenstein in Aug. '64, he spent 2 yrs. in the ADA, then switched to the AG Corps. John is presently the SGS to GEN Higgins "deep in the heart of Brooklyn." He and Nancy are heading for Tulane for school and then hope to come to WP. Thanks, John; write again.

Gene **Bassett** and Linda are still at John Hopkins U. where they will be 'til '71. Gene is joining the Chem. Dept. then. Steve **Chapman** wrote that he has talked with Joe **Godsey** and John **Collmeyer** in the last few months. Joe was in the USAF in missiles for 4 yrs—now with Xerox Corp in Marion, N. Y. Married, 3 children. John left here in '62 and got his B.E.E.E. and M.S. in Elect Engr at Ill. Then his Ph.D. at SMU—and is now working for Xerox in Los Angeles. Thanks, Steve.

A note from Fred **Cummings** who writes that his wife Carolyn gave birth to a son John Kevin on 19 Jan. '70. That's Robert E. Lee's birthday, Fred! Congratulations. Fred and family are headed for Benning and the Car Course in Nov.—they have been at Bragg.

Tom and Judy **Brendle** have been in Japan this summer—Tom is working on his Ph.D. at Tufts. Incidentally Judy, I recently met Miss Janice Wogan of D.C. who says hello. Jim **Caywood** is an account exec. with Merrill . . . . Smith, Inc. in Boston. He wants to hear from anyone—call collect (617-267-8400)! Don **Dusenbury** is working with AT&T in Baltimore as an opns mgr.

A note from Dick **Eckert** in Marietta, Ga. He is married to a former stewardess from American Airlines—Jane, and they have a set of twins as their 1st children! A boy and a girl, now 2-yrs-old. Dick is in grad school at Ga. Tech in Indust Engr. Dick was in RVN twice. Phil and Sue **Bosma** and Dick and Barbara **Cole** and the **Eckerts** all bought houses in the same neighborhood. Thanks for the note, Dick.

Via the grapevine—Leo **Virant** is in the Foreign Service Institute in Wash. prior to becoming a DSA in RVN in Feb.

A letter from Bob **Trucksa**, now a Dr. of Veterinary Med and on his way to Sandia Base to be the post veterinarian. He and Cynthia have 2 children, David (1½) and Beth (3/4). Thanks for the letter, Bob, and good luck in your new field.

George **Hamilton** has been in the WP area for a while now living in Yorktown Hs. near Peekskill. George and Chris are frequent football attendees. George is working for the United Nuclear Corp. in Elmsford, N. Y. I saw Jim and Joanne **Doherty** recently here after the Holy Cross game. Jim reports Lou and Bradley **Sill** fine. They are all in N. Y. Both Jim and Lou are working in portfolio analysis in different firms. A letter from Frank **Gibbs** in Mass. Frank resigned in Mar. and is at the Harvard Law School. His wife Marcia and children Elizabeth and Marc are all well and happy in Boston.

John **Parker** has returned from command of a co. in the 199th Light Inf Bde to Benning. He and Sandy have a young son. He says Jeff and Linda **Ellerson** are at William and Mary where Jeff is in ROTC. John saw Chaplain Dennis **Prutow** in VN. George and Judy **Lodoen** are in Germany. Thanks for the note, John.

Here at WP we now have 50 classmates assembled. More than 30 arrived through the summer and have entered almost everything on post. We are represented in every dept. except Law. The promotion parties have started—along with football season. Down in N. Y. the "Wall Street Journal" announced the appointment of Frank **Lennon** as the youngest senior dir. ever appointed by Pan Am Airlines. Bachelor Frank, in charge of Flight Services, has 5,000 stewardesses working for him!

I was recently with Frank in Managua visiting Pancho **Kelly** for a few days. Pancho showed us everything there was to see including both coasts, all the night spots, and even an offshore Caribbean Island where he has a shrimping operation. It was a good trip.

A note from Brent and Barb **Pope**, who are in Germany and looking forward to Brent's majority before the end of Sept. Barb says Art and Sally **Swisher** are at Redstone Arsenal.

Congratulations are due Clark and Nona **Ballard** who have added little Bethany **Lara** to their family. She was born on 16 Sept. here at West Point.

That winds up this column—please write and holler what you are up to—and send some pictures! Have a good holiday season.

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1964: Bob Johnson, Hal Winton, and Jim Schoonover at Camp Eagle, RVN, July 1970.

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The poop is coming to you this time via Ft. Rucker, the home of the Army Aviator. As of last week, however, some people might dispute this fact because of my awkward, uncoordinated, and downright dangerous attempts to involve the OH-13 helicopter in aerial flight. I've just completed my 1st week of helicopter training—and it has been interesting to say the least. The helicopter has been a wonderful invention, but I cannot get comfortable with the idea that the aircraft has its propeller on the top side—and not to its front.

The Ft. Benning gang remains pretty much the same; a recent arrival is Moose **Mozden** who is here for the advanced course. George **Domas**, who completed the course in July, is attending the Pathfinder course before departing for RVN in Dec. His wife Merrill is expecting their 3d child as of Sept. Other advanced course graduates now set up in their new assignments are Jeff **Moakley** at Tulane U. and Steve **Weisel** at Ga. Tech. Norm **Anderson** graduates shortly and is on orders for RVN. Jim **McCormack** graduates in Nov. and will head for Germany. While golf continues to be the favorite pastime of most advanced course students, Norm took up the game of tennis and developed into one of the "powerhouses" in the Ft. Benning area. Incidently, he scored 499 on the PCPT (a grenade miss cost him a perfect score) and won the physical fitness award in his advanced class. Jim, before going to Germany, will stop at Ft. Rucker for the helicopter qualification course. He and Judy are expecting their 2d child in Nov.

Dave **Bergman** has been commended for exceptionally meritorious service while serving as an air officer commanding at the USAF Academy. He was recognized for helping his unit earn the USAF Outstanding Unit Award.

Johnny **Raymond** is now assigned at Kirtland AFB, N.M. with the 58th Weather Recon Sqdn.

Ron **Cross** recently completed an 18-week study of the Thai language at the Defense Language Institute's East Coast Branch in Wash., D.C. The info concerning Dave, John, and Ron was obtained from press releases and is probably not the most current.

1 of the high points of the correspondence received in time for this issue was a letter from that master craftsman of letters, Sir James **Jinks**. Jim and Darlene are in Moscow (not Russia), Idaho, where Jim is studying for a Master's in Political Science. He describes his studies as "demanding but not obnoxiously so." Jim's letter, as usual, was a masterpiece in verbosity and verbalism. Space does not permit me the opportunity to pass on all of his wisdom. However a couple of tidbits include a description of why his branch assigned him to his present academic hell . . . "I knew I had been rather errant in some of my ways and had perhaps, on occasion, sinned . . . I was not aware, however, that my sins were well known or that they were so repugnant to the members of the hierarchy" (Arty branch); also I enjoyed his lament concerning his isolation . . . "these people (in Moscow) are so pastoral they think Johnny Cash plays classical music." All in all he seems to be enjoying the tour and is in good spirits.

After 6 years I've received a letter from the Grubber—Jack **Grubbs** that is. He and Judy are at Princeton where Jack is studying Civil Engring. They have 2 girls Kelly and Kim and are expecting a 3d (boy or girl) as of Sept. Jack says now that he has finally written, he has earned the privilege to complain about those who don't write. Also, he says that not having Denny **Culp** as a roommate anymore has had a detrimental effect on his progress with advanced calculus.

A nice note from Jim **Harding** reveals he has finished at Harvard and is now with the Soc Sci Dept at WP.

Steve **Bettner** reports on activities at RPI where he is studying math. Tom and **Karen Woolsey**, Gary and Margaret **Walk**, and Bob and Edie **Cary** (with a new addition Teresa Diane born on 16 June) are classmates of his at RPI. Steve said that Bill and Norma **Mayhew** will be there next yr. Mike and Chris **Cook** and Ron and Carole **Lind** left in June for the Math Dept at WP. Finally, Jim and Judy **McNulty** are at Ohio State where Jim is studying Nuclear Physics. 1 other note from Steve reveals that Dave **Roessler** is at Ga. Tech studying E.E.

Stan **McLaughlin** sent me the group picture included with the notes this time. Some extra poop concerning the "picturees" is: Fred **Pope** now attending U. of Mich., then to WP; Joe **Zengerle** now attending U. of Mich. law school as a civilian; Mike **Wikan** now attending U. of Mich., then to Admissions at WP. Bob **McCoy**, civilian, also at U. of Mich. law school. Stan is presently making millions selling insurance and mutual funds; he plans to attend Mich. for an MBA in a yr. or so. He is living in Ann Arbor and invites those in the area to give a call.

Denny **Gillem** writes again from El Paso, Tex. Denny is working towards an MA in Political Science and should finish up sometime next Jan. He reports Jim and Bunny **Powers** stationed at Ft. Bliss and that Al and Maria **Christensen** have just departed there. Al is headed for Korea. Denny received a note from Barry **McCaffery** saying Barry and Jill were still in Wash., D.C. where he is

1964: Stan McLaughlin's party, 6 June 1970, Ann Arbor, Mich. From left to right, guys: Fred Pope, Joe Zengerle, Mike Wikan, Bob McCoy, Stan, and Bruce Howard. From left to right, gals: Pat Pope, Lynda Zengerle, Sandra Wikan, Nancy McCoy, Silvia McLaughlin, and Carol Howard.

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recovering from wounds received in RVN. Evidently, in between operations on his arm Barry is working on an MA and will return to WP with the Soc Sci Dept. Denny informs me that Barry received 2 DSCs during his tours in RVN.

Hal **Winton** returned from his 2d tour in July and will attend Stanford for the next 2 yrs. Hal will become an "Art P" sometime in the future at WP. He says he is not sure what poop Stanford has on the principles of war but that he will find out shortly (the way it is going on campus these days he should get the straight skinny!).

Bill **Simonis** is now a civilian, and is going thru a co. management trg. program with Gen. Telephone of Ohio. He, his wife Jane and daughter Cathy would like to hear from any old friends who might be passing thru Marion, Ohio.

Monty **Hubbard** wrote a newsy letter, the contents of which is as follows: Monty spent the last 2 yrs. in the Astronautics Dept. of the AF Academy and enjoyed the teaching so much he decided to leave the service and go into college teaching; he starts at Stanford this fall for his PhD in Astronautics. He relates that Frank and Judy **Giordano** are at Ft. Carson; Ben **Marino** is at Ent AFB; Mike **Gray** is at the AF Academy teaching math; Stan and Helga **Fracker** are at Ft. Carson; Bob **Almassy** is with the Physics Dept at the AF Academy; Jim **Lindou** is at Ent AFB; and that Johnny **Nischwitz** is at Ft. Carson. Monty posed a question that many of our classmates have asked of me—what is the retention rate of our Class? Unfortunately I have no official figures on the matter, and I can't even hazzard a guess. I do believe the figure might be significant but not so high as many I have heard tossed around. I suppose with a little research such information could be obtained from the REGISTER, etc.

The only poop I have directly from RVN is that Seth **Hudgins** is the CO of Co. D, 158th Avn Bn, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile), and that Bob **Tetu** is the Div Arty Avn Off with the Americal Div. Bob says that upon his return from RVN, after the advanced course he hopes to go to the Navy Test Pilot school.

Well, I'm running out of RPM, and I believe I've covered most of the poop that has been forwarded to me. Many of the letters that I received this last time were from "new guys" and, as always, your efforts were greatly appreciated. My next deadline is 4 Jan '71, so keep it in mind when you do your letter writing. Until then take care and keep your rotor blade RPM in the green.

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It is with deep regret that I report the death of Jim **Echols.** He was killed in a private airplane crash in Ak. on 27 June. Jim's body was interred in Atlanta. Sincerest sympathy goes from the Class to his widow Smokey.

I have settled into Southern Calif. where I'll spend the next yr. and a half at UCLA. Until I return to WP (History), my address will be as above. Other people are finding out about the West Coast! Jerry and Tina **Ledzinski** are living in Monterey where the "Iron Polak" is working for Private Planning Corp. Jerry spent 2 yrs. with "Forces" in RVN. He got out 5 Feb. '70. Tina is teaching in Monterey. Jerry reports: Gene and Bev **Farmelo** left in Apr. Gene got a Master's at the Naval PG School and was on the Dean's List! He is now in RVN (reward for doing so well); Bev is with her folks in Greenwich, Conn. Preston **Hughes** is at DLIWC for Turkish. He is in FAST and will head to Salt Lake City for MA, then to Turkey. He is the only bachelor with VIP quarters at Monterey! Bernie and Ellen **Ziegler** are at NPG (Opns Analysis). The most recent of 2 kids arrived in July. John and Rose Ann **Wells** are at Ft. Ord. As soon as John finishes construction of an ultramodern hospital, CE is sending him to school, hopefully Purdue (to find out how hospitals are built, maybe?). With 2 boys already, they hope the Oct. arrival is a girl. T.J. and Cas **Kelly** homesteaded at Edwards AFB for 4 yrs. In '69, they left for RPI for an MS in management. The old man (pushing 30) is proud of daughter born Aug. '70. Goodluck to DOM (Dirty Old Man). Thanks for the news, Jerry!

Inbound to Stanford are a whole crew. John **Alger** recovered from a serious eye infection and was diverted from RVN to the 82d Abn. He, Martha and the 2 kids should have arrived in Sept. Dave **Hopkins** is also inbound. Someone from up that end of the state let me know what is going on. Also in the area is Chuck **Moseley** at Livermore Laboratories.

While travelling from N. Y. to LA, I saw a few people. Mark and Linda **Sheridan** are alive and doing well on Long Island. Mark works in securities for a N. Y. bank; Linda is teaching. Saw Buddy and Carolyn **Bucha.** The proud parents were planning a Class party for homecoming. Tony **Clay** is with 1st Natl City Bank in N. Y.

Visited with George, Jill and Brian **Seaworth** in Ill. George is working for Quaker Oats in construction. MA&E would not believe it! Got some poop from Bill **Zadel.** He is also with Quaker Oats. After spending a yr. in Chicago as a Marine Corps recruiter, he signed on with QO. Now he is recruiting for them. He reports that Bob **Scully** is in the engring dept. He tried to convince Jim **Helberg** to sign on too. Other news from Bill: Don **Parcells** can be found in Wayne, N.J., at Union Camp Paper Co. John **Johnson,** back from 2d RVN excursion, is coaching football at WP. Denny **Coll** is selling for IBM in the Chicago area. Also in the area is Mike **O'Grady** with Enjay Oil. Imperial Oil snatched up Nick **Principe,** John **Seymour,** and Ray **Paske.** Nick and wife Ching live in Chicago. John and Ray were training there. Jim **Hennen** went from the Gulf of Mex. (offshore drilling) to Holland. He should be moving again in Apr. Rollie **Stichweh** is working for Camp Dudley of Manhattan, upstate N. Y. and Europe. He and Carole were expecting No. 3 in the fall.

I stopped at U. of Ill. to see Ron and Janice **Walter.** Ron returned from 2d tour with the "Herd" (173d Abn). He will be going back to Admissions Office as "shortest grunt in residence." Saw Mark and Linda **Walsh** too. Mark is getting a degree in Sociology for MI branch. He said it sure beats RVN, but then he was seen around MIBARS at Long Bien.

Don **Appler** made it back safely from his 2d tour. He is now on the S&F, USAARMS, Ft. Knox Weapons Dept. He said Oleh **Koropey** got married in June prior to joining 3/4 Cav. Best wishes! Also in RVN (& Cambodia) is Joe **Anderson** with the 1st Cav. Joe said LTG Davison dropped in to see him, and brought 3 Congressmen along. His wife Betty is working in Wash. for Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. No other news from the swamp.

Walt and Francie **Oehrlein** are at AF Academy. Walt is coaching tennis, and he helped the OPE earn the Outstanding Unit Award from the Dept of the AF. Walt reports that Joe **Kosciusko** is a Tac Officer there. Rumor has it that Joe has a picture of the old-timer aviator hidden in his desk. (The caption reads: "Sleep tight your Polish AF is on duty tonight!") Tom **Genoni** is also there teaching in the Math Dept.

From a press release: Dick **Osgood** won a fellowship to continue studying for his Ph.D. at MIT in the physical sciences.

Paul **Schultz** is at U. of Ala. for Industrial Management degrees on a Natl Defense Education Assn. scholarship. Paul and Dianne announce the arrival of Paul III. Paul said that Dean **Loftin** and wife were expecting their 1st child. Dean is also at Ala. Paul stated that Bill **Heller** went to Wright Patterson AFB to work in an engring dept.

"Army Times" entries under recent separations: Bob **Axely,** Bruce **Hulin,** Tom **Kovach,** and Steve **Philo.** (The REGISTER has an annual recapitulation in the back.)

Other miscellaneous poop ranging from A-1 to F-5 ratings: Frank **Prokop** is at Ft. Ritchie, Md. Richard **Donahue** is an ROTC Instructor at Princeton until he gets out. Denny **Brewer** and wife are at Redstone Arsenal; Denny is now OD (Ordnance, that is). Pat **O'Connor** is GEN. Throckmorton's junior aide-de-camp at STRICOM HQ, MacDill AFB, Fla. Ed **Maness** is living at Ft. Totten and teaching in the NYU ROTC Dept. Ray **Schaltenbrand** is at Ga. Tech for a degree. Sonny **Arkangel** should be back from RVN and at Seton Hall (N.J.) ROTC. Tony and Jeanne **Gamboa** are on excess leave for a law degree from U. of Md. Murt Munson said that someone backed into his U-8 at Harrisburg State Airport (Pa.). The investigating officer was Jim **Harmon** who is on excess leave for a law degree from Dickinson Law School. (Off the record, Jim, was it pilot error?) Mack and Dianne **Gill** announced their 3d child, 1st son, in July. He is QMC at Vint Hill Farms, Va. Also QM are Steve **Bliss** and Bruce **Marshall.** Other birth announcements: Michael George born 23 May to Chuck and Rosemary **McCloskey.** Danielle born 31 July to Reg and Carolyn **Dryzga.** Fred **Grates** is at Baylor for an MA in hospital admin. Hal **Jenkins** is at Purdue. Fred **Ammerman** is at Syracuse in the Comptrollership School. Bob **Higgins** is there too in the Business School and will return to the TD in Aug. '71. Due into the Language Dept, John **Thompson** (Spanish with a Southern accent) and John **Vann.** Dave **Vann** is with the U of Minn. ROTC. Art **Hester** is in the Admissions Office, USMA. Look for Jack **Lyons** to join the English Dept come July '71. Karl **Clavidatscher** is an ROTC instructor at U. of Mont. Tommy **Thompson** is supposed to be inbound to UCLA, but I have not found him yet.

Keep in mind that there is a 3-month delay from submission of the column to publication. To keep the news current check the "Bulletin Board" every issue and then submit items to me no later than 2 weeks before my deadline. Include dates of events passed and projected (who, what, when, and where). This will help me to sort 2 or more items on the same person. Photos are encouraged; for best results send black and white prints and clear color prints. I want to thank Mert for the good job he did on the column—up until he classmated me! Good luck in Seoul and Tokyo, Mert!

By the time this appears in print we shall have beaten Navy! Hope you all have a good Holiday Season. Please drop me a line; my door is always open; my phone number is 213-821-4522 (call collect). Peace and Love.

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Mail response has been favorable and boasts of happy civilians. Duke **Parker** says that he is in N. J. with Alice, daughter Anne and son John. Duke is expecting employment with Allied Chemical. Duke reports that Bob **Cresci**, Brad **Hartley**, and Herbie **Miller** are also civilians and that Bob and Brad will be attending grad school and Herbie will work for Banker's Trust in N. Y.

Bill and Mary **Haneke** are in Richmond, Va., where Bill is recovering in the VA hospital. Bill reports that Rex and Nancy **Nichols** are at Aberdeen. Bill welcomes any visitors and requested that his address be published. CPT Wm G. Haneke USA (Ret) 2218 Chateau Dr. Apt. D Richmond, Va. 23224.

Ed **Case** writes that he is now with NORAD. Ed reports that Tom **Garret**, Rick **Canavan**, and Rick **Clark** are all at Ft. Carson. Ed says the Clarks have no children but do have 2 horses. Ed also reports that John **Donovan** is a civilian at Purdue and that Joe **Welch** is at Ft. Belvoir.

John **Burger** says he is out and is in law school at Ariz. State. He and Susan welcome any Phoenix area visitors. John reports that Bruce **Wilson** is with the ROTC at Claremont College and that Ted **Borek** is in law school at the U. of Ariz.

Mack **Harnden** reports being out and that he and Chris are headed for Abilene Christian College. Mack says that he and Chris are in the registered beagle hound business and welcome orders.

Duke and Dianne **Albrecht** are at the U. of N. D. in law school. Dianne says Al **Lindseth** is now out and at Harvard law school.

Bob and Elizabeth **Wysocki** are now with Shell Oil in Wash., D.C.

Norm and Barb **Fretwell** are now in Ann Arbor enjoying civilian life. Norm is in law school and reports seeing the following classmates: Jeff **Smith**—law school, Tom **Carhart**—law school, Chuck **Hiller** and Dave **Kelley**—engring.

Overseas, George **Norton** is an aide in Korea, and Mac **Hayes**, Mel **Liss**, Buzz **Buczacki**, Art **Grant**, and Dick **Eklund** are all back in VN.

At Ft. Benning, Roger **Grugle**, Paul **Roggenkamp**, Doug **Thornblom**, Charlie **Chitty**, George **Crocker**, and John **Dubia** have all finished the Inf Career Course. Bill **Hoyman**, Ken **Carlson**, and Rock **Salt** have also finished and are off to grad school. Chuck **Figgins**, Rick **St. John**, Mac **Harris**, John **Rantella**, and Jerry **Cecil** will start the course in Oct.

Congratulations are in order for Mac **Harris** and his French bride Marion. Susan and I would also like to announce the birth of our daughter Carolyn Michelle.

Mail continues to be welcomed. In particular I would like to publish more about classmates in VN. Assistance from wives and parents would be greatly appreciated. Thanks.

'67

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New Orleans, the city that care forgot, now numbers LaVon and me among its permanent residents as I was medically retired on 25 Aug. I am a law student at Tulane U. and am enjoying my civilian status.

1967: Party at Altschuler's home in Columbus, Ga., 16 May. Standing, left to right: Doug and Mrs. Nolen, Harry and Suzie Rothmann, Buzz and Diana Altschuler, Jim and Cynthia Weller, Randy and Carolyn Condos, Bill Richards. Seated, left to right: Kathy and Zeke Wimert, Donna Richards, Pam and George Dials, Al Nahas. Front, left to right: Ed and Pat Locke, Andy Maron and his wife, and Bob Murrill with date Julie.

It was great seeing Ken and Sara **Strong** during their short stay in New Orleans. Ken was en route to his new assignment in the CZ. While showing them the Bourbon St. sights, we bumped into John and Barbara **Frink** who were down for the weekend. John is aide to the CG of Ft. Sill. Ken is aide to the CG, USARSO. Also stationed at Ft. Amador is Ray **Horton**.

Bud **Shumate** was married on 26 June at Falls Church, Va. He and Carol are at Ft. Knox. Others there are Rog and Ann **Arango**, Bobby **Krause**, Tom **Murphy**, Kent **Kraus**, Tom **White**, Monty **Meigs**, Doug **Starr**, Earl **Walker**, Max **Bailey**, Dick **Farr**, Mike **Kush**, and John **Mackerer**. On the staff and faculty are Phil **Fracker** and Ken **Smith** while in the training center is Joe **Root**.

Lee and Evelyn **Cage** are at Ft. Sam Houston. I had the opportunity to visit them in July while I was clearing post. Evelyn sure cooks a delicious meal! Lee received his Master's in social work at UNC at Chapel Hill and is now in the MSC advanced course.

Tom and Lynn **Condon** had a son Thomas Peter Jr. on 22 July. Lynn is residing in Clifton, N.J., while Tom is with the 44th Arty Bde in Korea.

In the Inf Advanced Course at Ft. Benning are Buzz **Altschuler**, Tom **Coker**, Randy **Condos**, Chuck **Costanza**, George **Dials**, Steve **Frankiewicz**, Carrol **Howard**, Walt **Mather**, Al **Nahas**, Harry **Rothmann**, Ed **Smith**, Jim **Weller**, and Zeke **Wimert**. Working in the Inf Center are Rich **Altieri** and Bill **Richards**. Slim **Hohman** is with the Ranger Dept.

Craig and Gussie **Butler** are in Augusta, Ga., where Craig is in Med School. Greg **Rice**, Marc **Ducharme**, and Karl **Sakas** are in the Signal Adv Crse at Ft. Monmouth. John and Gael **James** are at Ft. Bliss. John started the Sept. class of the ADA Career Course, after serving a tour in VN as DSA of the Phu Thu district near Hue. Also at Bliss are Bill **Freccia** (a div chief with the ADA nonresident instruction Dept.), Scott **MacFarlane**, Glenn **Yuguchi**, Denny **Coates**, Jim **Ruhl**, Jim **Allen**, Gerry **Molnar**, and Gary **Atkins**. Ward **Dean** completed language school in Sept. and is en route to VN. Rich **Ankener** is a communications electronics officer with the 645th Radar Sqdn at Patrick AFB, Fla.

RVN: Tom and Paige **Dyer** had a 2d daughter Katie in Mar. Tom is at Bien Hoa working in the AG sect while Paige is waiting his tour in Ann Arbor, Mich. Mike **Shelton** completed his MCE degree at the U. of Ill. in June and is with the Engr Staff of the Naval Advisory Det in DaNang. Jonnie is staying in Hi. Ray **Heath** (commanded the 24th Msl Det in Landsberg, Germany, until Aug.) is now in VN while Suzanne is in Daytona Beach, Fla. They had a son Kenneth Decatur in Jan. Marv **Tieman** is near Tay Ninh. Tom **Swett** is CO, Co D 4th Engrs at Cam Rahn Bay.

USAEUR: Mike and Anita **Cox** announce the birth of their son Michael James Jr. born 3 Aug. Also from Germany we hear that Bob and Arlene **Knapp** are in Aschaffenburg where Bob is S3, 1/7th Inf. Dave **Hale** is ADC to the CG 3d Armd Div, and Chris **Biltoft** is a weather officer at Grafenwohr Army Airfield. John and Jean **Avard** are in Augsburg where John is a CO with the 1st Inf Div.

'68

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I would like to see the time when I can start these letters without an obituary notice. We've lost 2 more classmates in VN; Harry **Hayes** and Don **Workman**. They were good friends to a lot of us, and their loss leaves a sad, empty place which I hope their families realize will be a lasting memorial to their passing. God keep them.

We have a few additions to our ever growing roster of brats. I apologize to John and Nancy **Benson** for taking so long to announce the arrival of their son John Jr. in Oct. '69. Paul and Kathy **Ptasnik** had a girl, Mary Kathleen on 11 Jan. Gary and Bill **Higgins** had a daughter Jennifer Marie on 20 Jan. Dwight **Lee** and his wife had a girl Deborah Elaine on 1 Feb. And on 22 Feb. Susan and Mike **Fisher** had a boy James David. On 18 Mar. Jo Ann and Larry **Main** distinguished

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themselves and the Class by having twins: Barry Thomas and Patrick Cassidy. Patti and Rick **Goodell** had a daughter Julie Suzanne on 1 May. The number of remaining bachelors has been diminished by 2; Ralph **D'Alessandro** married Sue Bamman on 16 May, and Jim **Carman** was making plans for a late Aug. or early Sept. marriage to Kaew Tawai in Thailand.

Since most of the letters I've received concern people in and around VN, I'm going to continue the past format by leading off with everybody's favorite place. Decorations to classmates include a BSM for valor for John **Hedley**, a BSM for achievement for Neil **Cowperthwaite**, an ACM for valor for Terry **Wong**, and ACMs for achievement for Chuck **Jones**, Rich **Fetterman**, Dave **Knecht**, and Terry **Holland**. Congratulations. John **McDonald**, John **Dodson**, Gene **Austin**, Leon **Morand**, Walt **Gaddis**, and Steve **Rodgers** had a little reunion when they were promoted in June. They were all with 1/12 Cav in the 1st Cav Div at the time. Also with the 1st Cav is Doug **McKenna** in the 2/12 Cav. He wrote in June and mentioned that he had seen Dave **Maddux**, Greg **Camp**, John **Walsh**, Ray **Lynch**, and Terry **Kennedy** all scattered around the Cav. Doug also met Bill **McCrone** in Panama.

Joe **Mance's** father wrote from Titusville, Fla., in June to tell me that Joe was commanding a duster Btry and had already been decorated twice. Bill **Mulvey** wrote in June to let me know he was getting short. He's bound for the Ranger Dept at Benning when he gets back. Hank **Gregor** wrote from the 1/5th Mech in June. He met Fred Johnson and Jim **Fourqurean**, both in the 1/11th Inf and Mike **Einbinder** who was with the 2/17th Cav in the 101st. Dwight **Lee's** wife Donna wrote in July to announce their baby and let me know that Dwight was on his way to the 101st. She also said that Terry **Holland** and Russ **Fuhrman** had both extended their tours in SEA. Jonnie **Kruger** wrote in July also to say that John had transferred from Inf to ADA and that they were on their way to Ft. Bliss. John received the SS, 3 BSM's, the ACM, the AM and the PH in the 9th Div. She mentioned that Jo Anne and Mike **Dauth** Jr. were seeing Mike 1 week out of every month in Taiwan. I got a letter from Terry **Holland** in July. He had seen a lot of people in his job as aide to CG, 18th Engr Bn. Among them were Marv **Belasco** and Andy **Silverthorn** in the 101st, Charlie **Beckwith** with the 4th Div and Stan **Burwell** with the 1/5th Mech. Susan and Mike **Fisher** wrote in July to say that Mike was starting his yr. with the 326th Engr in 101st. Also in the same Div are Rob **Robinson**, Nick **Nahorniak**, Rick **Mason**, Ben **Heil**, and Eric **Thomas**. Steve **Bowman** is back in the world after being medivaced. He'll be at Eglin AFB for awhile. Andy **Dull**, Ted **Trauner** and Mike **Fellows** are all with the 65th Engr Bn in the 25th Div. Chris **Iaconis'** mother wrote in July to say that Chris was Commanding a quad-50 btry in I Corps, and he was Planning to attend ADA career course when he gets back. Jim Carman wrote from Cu Chi in July. He's commanding a Sig Co. now, and he has seen Ray **Vinton**, Harold **Yager**, Jerry **Weeks** and Neil **Cowperthwaite**. Joe **Henry** wrote in Aug. from Saigon where he'll be for awhile after spending time in the 1st Cav and SF. Joe had seen Mark **Barnett**, Mike **Selvitelle**, Bart **McClelland**, and Bob **Stroud** in his travels. He also said that Mike **Noonan** is now an Asst Basketball Coach at WP. Joe said he could be found in the N. Y. Bar in Saigon every night if anybody wants to find him. And to wind up things in VN for now, Jim **Altemose** is with the AF at Danang; John **Mayer** is with the 101st, and Bill **Dickerson** is with the 36th Engr Bn.

Back in the world; we have quite a few classmates going through flight school. I have word of Joel **Pigott**, Ed **Larson**, Sam **Wynan**, and Mike **Bressler** having all been through before Mike **Murphy**, Pat **Moe**, John **Benson** and myself who are here at Wolters now. Bill **Higgins'** wife Gary wrote in June to announce their baby and to say that Bill was bound for Ft. Benning after his DEROS. She also said that Rick and Marsha **Wright** would be at Benning and Bob **Laswell** is on his way to becoming an Army doctor. I wonder if revenge is his motive. Jim **Stanley's** folks wrote in June to announce his marriage to Miss Carmenza Giraldo from Colombia in May and to say that he was bound for VN from Panama. Tim **Brown** is now with HHC, Ft. Wainwright, Ak. Suzanne **Nash** wrote in Aug. to say that she and Bill were settled at Benning. She said that Dick **Kyzer** married a girl named Kathy **Adair** at WP in Aug. Jim and Sue **Cima** are bound for Germany, and Pat **Mente** and John **Frinak** are with 82d, and Neil **Lark**, Don **Jones**, and John **Oventile** are all at Benning. Ed **Hobbs** wrote from Kirtland AFB to say that John **Harmeling**, Dick **Bowers**, and Joe **Guignon** have all transferred to Finance from their branches. Marty **Bowling** and Mike **Grygiel** have picked up Master's. Mike **Shaefer** now has his Ph.D. (the 1st, I believe, for our Class) and Tony **Cerne**, Barry **Hittner**, and Ed **Hammond** are working on their Master's at MIT. And finally for the States, Rich **Gilliard** wrote to say he had married Jeanne **Hutchinson** in Aug. Rich and his bride are bound for Germany. Dan **Lynes** and Jack **Cochran** will be attending career course at Belvoir. Paul **Baerman** now commands C Trp 3d Cav at Ft. Lewis.

On to Europe. It looks as if everybody who was in VN and Europe is trading places now. Rich **Cliff** is still in Germany; he got married there recently. Jerry and Pamela **Sorrow** are with the 24th Engr Bn in the 4th Armd Div. Jo Anne **Main** sent a note in June to announce her and Larry's twins and to say that Larry, along with Horst **Sperber**, Jim **Stefan**, and Reed **Fraley** are all due in VN soon. Kathy **Ptasuik** wrote in June to announce her and Paul's baby and to say that Paul was on his way to VN. Betsy **Bowland** wrote in July to say that Warren was due home from VN soon and that he was due for a stateside job. Rich **Goodell** wrote from Germany in July to announce his and Patti's child. Rich is with the 317th Engr Bn there. I got a letter from Mary Lou **Cobey** saying that Elwood, along with Carl **Woessner** and John **Keane**, are all due in VN in the near future. In Aug. Toney **Mathews** wrote to say he had switched from FA to CE and that he, Bob **Swedoch**, and Karl **Leatham** all expect to move from Germany to VN soon. Bob **Lorbeer** also wrote in Aug. He was on his way to VN from Berlin. While there he saw Jim **Black**, Jim **Jennings**, Ray **Rhoades**, and Mike **Tangen**. Randy **Griffin** is now in Berlin, and Art **Torres** is bound for Ft. Carson from VN.

That's about it for now. Anybody that has news please try to write before the New Yr. I'd like to close with a little pre-paternal pride by saying that Pat and I are expecting our 1st child next Apr. Everybody take care!

'69

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This issue's column is a very difficult one for me to write, for I must report the death of 2 of our finest classmates. Bill **Pahissa** was killed at Fire Support Base Ripcord on 22 July 70, in the final days of the 101st Abn Div's occupation of that position, thus becoming the 1st member of our class to be killed in combat. On 28 Aug. Dave **Kirby** was killed in an automobile accident in San Antonio, Tex., just 3 days prior to receiving his AF pilot's wings. On behalf of the entire Class, I wish to express our deepest condolences and offer our prayers to those close to Bill and Dave.

This issue's entry heralds the arrival of all branches of the Class of '69 to VN. The latest tally shows over 50 members of the Class here in-country; I'm sure there are many more, but these are the ones I am sure are here. Joining me in the 173d Abn Bde are Chuck **Anstrom**, Joe **Cornelison**, Gary **Dolan**, Harry **Dolton**, Bob **Glacel**, Jack **Gloriod**, Dave **Hayes**, Terry **O'Boyle**, Gerry **Ricker**, Dale **Straw**, and Steve **White**. In the 101st Abn are John **Brundage**, Fred **Edwards**, John **French**, Sal **Malguarnera**, Tom **McCaslin**, Larry **Sadoff**, Bob **Seitz**, Bill **Taylor** (3d Regt), Barney **Wintermute**, and Mick **Zais**. The Americal Div claims Bill **Groening**, Denny **Helsel**, Glen **Hirabayashi**, Dan **Horne**, Dan **Lennon**, Eric **Robyn**, and Bill Rynearson. Down south in the 25th Div are Steve **Fall**, Bill **Gregor**, Art **Nabben**, Steve **Rhyne**, Joe **Rose**, Bill **Taylor** (4th Regt), Rick **Whitaker**, and Ron **Williams**. In assorted other units are H. **Lobdell** and Mike **Ludlow** (4th Inf), Bob **Baldwin**, Rob **Goff**, Ron **Hunt**, and Tom **Wheelock** (11th ACR), John **Bolger**, Mike **Jones**, and Brian **Owens** (1st Cav), Skip **Bacevich**, Randy **Jarmon**, Stew **Olson**, Don **Wagner**, and Dick **Whitney** (IFFV), and John **Abbott**, Joe **Berenato**, Mike **Lynett**, and Dan **Sharphorn**. I'm sure there are easily twice this number over here; let me hear from you! As far as news from over here goes, Bill **Groening** wrote from the Americal that Glen **Hirabayashi** was bitten by a bamboo viper while out as an FO but that Hiro is now feeling well. Mike **Lynett** is building roads down in the III Corps area and says that enemy activity is pretty low. Bob **Glacel** saw John **Abbott** and Dan **Sharphorn** in Nha Trang where he was attending an FDO school. Bill **Taylor** wrote from the 25th that he was a little annoyed with his task of escorting

1969: Pete Heesch receiving his CISM gold medals from MG John R. Deane, CG of the 82d Abn Div.

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Rowe plows with a 30 MPH armd column. He mentioned that Rick **Whitaker** was the scout plt. leader of an armor unit in the 25th. The general report from those of us in the 173d finds all busy and in good shape.

Elsewhere in the world, the big news seems to be the number of aide slots the Class is holding down. Stateside aides include Frank **Finch** at Ft. Devens, Mass., Jim **Ford** at Ft. Hood, Tex., Steve **Hammond** and Doug **Rogers** at the AWC, and John **Rountree** at the Signal School. In Germany Reggie **Pettitt**, Bryan **Schempf**, and Nick **Stafford** are holding down slots while in Korea Rick **Duffy**, Bill **Kyle**, and Jim **Reams** are aides. I don't know of anyone here in VN enjoying that position.

K.C. **Brown** wrote a novel from Ft. Bragg just prior to out-processing for VN. He reported about 115 of the Class at Bragg at the time, most of whom are in-country at this time. He also had news of many newlyweds including Fuzzy **Dupere**, Mike **Fisher**, Tom **Hall**, Dutch **Harmeling**, John **Harms**, John **Knabb**, Spud **Lavallee**, Pat **Spann**, Dan **Tigges**, and Ken **Williams**. I'd like to list all the classmates KC mentioned, but that would necessitate an addendum to this issue, so I'll just continue with a note of thanks to KC for his letter.

Also married since the last column appeared were Joel **Alvarez**, Jim **Fouche**, Denny **Haydon**, Jim **Love**, Dave **McDermott**, Jim **Mesite**, and Don **Navor**. News from the marrieds in the Class finds new arrivals at the following homes: Pete and Pat **Bazzel** (Jennifer), Bob and Paula **Brigham** (Robert Jr.), Ken and Linda **Bevis** (Michelle), Mike and Maggie **Kelly** (Michael Jr.), Paul and Jan **Salazar**, Max and Gail **Terrien**, and Tom and Barb **Whitaker** (Mark). In the "expecting" column were Ralph and Gayle **Artigliere**, Jack and Susan **Fitzgerald**, Bill and Mary **Groening**, Steve and Marilyn **Hammond**, Jerry and Doris **Morelock**, and Dave and Adrienne **Harvey**. Heartiest congratulations to all concerned!

STATESIDE NEWS: 3 members of the Class are continuing to improve on the fine athletic records they compiled at the Academy. Pete **Heesch** was recently awarded 2 gold medals in swimming won in CISM competition. Barry **Kerr** was to compete in this same competition this yr., and Larry "Chief" **Lemaster** is running for the Army's track team. Keep an eye on your sports page for them. Wally **Ballenberger** wrote that he was in D.C. prior to heading for VN and reported that he saw Jim **Nelson** who admitted to possible matrimonial plans in the near future (can you believe it, A-4?). Carl **Ozimek** has joined Jimmy **McCall** in grad school at Stanford. Mike **Landrum** wrote from Ft. Hood that he and Sherrye were joined there by the **Fords, Heberts, Haytons, Marshalls, Moulders,** and **Warners**. Susan **Fitzgerald** wrote that she and Jack are living in Colo. Springs with Jack working on his political science degree. Bill **Leppig** wrote from Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he is stationed with the Marines. Speaking of the Marines, word also reached me that John **Heath** was in flight training in Tex. And speaking of flight training, congratulations are in order to Dick **Jarman**, Paul **Murr**, and John **Payne** who earned their AF pilot's wings this summer. George **Demetriou** wrote from WP that he, Vince **Corica**, and others were on summer duty with the 82d. For some, that means 3 summers at Buckner!

KOREA: Letters from Mike **Casey** and Dale **Cross** established that Steve **Allaire**, Greg **Binder**, John **Luchak**, Fred **Noll**, Ed **Rehkopf**, Rich **Taricska**, and Arnie **Stankus** are on duty in Korea. Most are on short tours

1969: John Payne and Paul Murr wearing their newly-earned Air Force wings.

and will probably be elsewhere when this is printed.

GERMANY: Rich **West** wrote from near Augsburg that he had seen Jay **Wheeler**, John **Blumer**, Bob **Hoffman**, and Pete **Skells**. Bob **Brigham** wrote from Berlin and reports that Mike **Carr**, Chip **Curl**, Chris **Fransden**, Sam **Granett**, Bob and Barbara **Riddell**, and Wade **Urban** are all enjoying their stay there. Bob also said that Walt **Strother** visited Paula and him prior to reporting for duty in VN. George **Albrecht** wrote a long letter from Bamberg and had some details on promotion parties. In attendance, in various states, at these parties were Jimmy **Adams**, Rich **Ashley**, Brooks **Boye**, George **Barstis**, Leo **Carrigan**, Joe **Cato**, George **Coan**, Doug **Craft**, Phil **Coyle**, Bob **DeClerq**, Stan **Defilippi**, Hugh **Donohue**, Rick **Frykman**, Bill **Friese**, Mike **Hagan**, Arnie **Haake**, Luke **Heffernan**, Gil **Hoskins**, Paul **Ireland**, George **Meier**, Paul **Kessenich**, Hank **Russell**, Joe **Sebes**, George **Steinbach**, J.T. **Sanders**, Vic **Smith**, Denny **Tighe**, Jack von **Kaenel**, and Terry **Young**. Also in Germany with other units are Bill **Burke**, Ralph **Crosby**, Bill **Holbrook**, John **McBeth**, John **Peters**, Jim **Taylor** and Cor **Westerhoff**.

Lastly, Ak. finds a few of the Class on duty there. Included in this group are Ken **Bevis**, Dutch **Harmeling**, Bruce **Helmich**, Johnnie **Shaw** and Joe **Sowa**.

In closing for this issue, I'd like to report that Joe **Schatz** wrote to let me know that he had been accepted into the Harvard Business School and, in his words, ". . . proving again that good things come to those who live clean." Good luck and God bless to all.

'70

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We begin the 1st report of the Class of '70 on a very sad note by announcing the death of Vern **Stockwell**. Vern died in a car accident during graduation leave. The Class wishes to express its deepest condolences to the family and many close friends of Vern.

The Class of '70 invaded 3 major training areas in force at the beginning of Aug. ADA started their basic course at Ft. Bliss; Armor traveled to Ft. Knox. Most of the rest of the Class, except for those in the sister services, met at Ft. Benning for Abn, Ranger, and IOBC. The word from Ft. Bliss, Tex., is that all is well with the ADA boys. Computers and tedious classroom instruction are having the expected effect on them. The big word from Ky. is that Ft. Knox is hot. The battle between Armor Basic and the new LTs is beginning to take form. The students are still going strong, but the course is not faring so well.

Half of the all volunteer Inf portion of our Class started their military career in IOBC. The big question coming from their mouths is "Why." The Abn course bore the brunt of the rest of the class. The jump stories are still growing. Toby **Quirk** leapt from his 1st plane only to find a Mae West. Being a quick thinker he pulled his reserve but was surprised to find it wrapped around his legs. Toby did manage to land well and continued on to get his wings. Frank **Monaco** did not fare so well as he broke his ankle. Buzz **Broussard** and Al **Fenty** came down entangled in each others' risers. However, they didn't mind since being flankers they did not have quite as far to fall as the rest of us. 17 of our Class were called to duty as aggressors for the Ranger course. They called themselves the "dirty dozen plus." They claim to have been required to do everything short of walking on water. The only word we have heard from our classmates in the sister Services is from Greg **Webb** and Bill **Colson**. They are presently attending a personnel school at Keesler AFB, Miss. They report that the demands do not quite rate with those of Plebe Year, Cow juice, and Ranger school.

Many of our Class were busy during leave. Bob **Wallis** placed 4th in the natl AAU track meet, and Lynn **Moore** did a fine job in the All Star game against the Kansas City Chiefs. Denny Williams literally left his bride at the door but came back to promise her that they will eventually be married. Chuck **Bernardo** came to Ft. Benning after only 3 days of leave. Rumor has it that this was just a keen little movement to avoid the altar. All of the summer school boys are back with us. It might also be interesting to note that J.D. Smith and Marty **Burns** did get their commissions, and Chapel Mike **Anderson's** case failed.

Wedding bells are in more of our classmates' eyes. Joe **McKinney** came to Ft. Ben-

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ning married, a surprise to all. Steve **Cook**, Rich **Coleman**, and Howie **Guy** are a few who were recently engaged. Tony **Barre** is the 1st among us to get his Ranger tab before heading back to school. Jack **Zoeller** waited patiently for Harvard to begin its fall session by working in the offices of the House of Reps. Ingy **Ingwersen** visited Jack for several days. We are not sure if the visit was because of their close friendship or Jack's skill at providing fine dates. We have heard that we are going to have 3 new members in the group. Toby **Quirk**, Pat **Scully** and Bob **Walton's** wives are expecting babies in Mar. Congratulations are in order.

Kevin **Connally** seemed to be living right. His car rolled 3 times at high speed but miraculously he came out without a scratch. Lenny **White** and Dave **Dawson** won their wings just in time to save themselves as they spiraled their car into a ravine on their way to the Ranger camp. They both jumped from the car screaming "Airborne" and landed with perfect PLF's. Then Lenny dropped Dave for 10 abn pushups for his careless driving. Both escaped injury. Jeff **Troxell** is at it again. With his usual wobble he explained the basis of the abn course to SGT (or is it CAP?) Freeman. Good luck, Jeff.

Thus ends our 1st Class report. With your help we can have a more detailed and complete report in Dec. Send any info or pictures, please.

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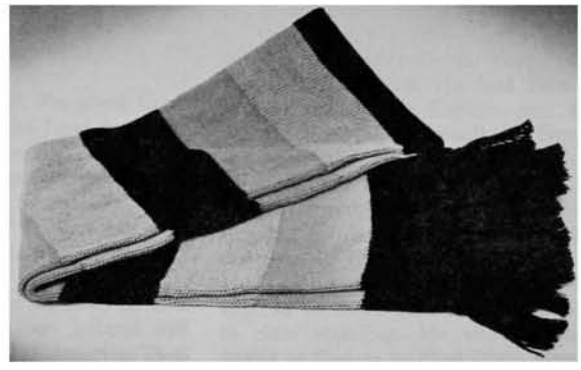

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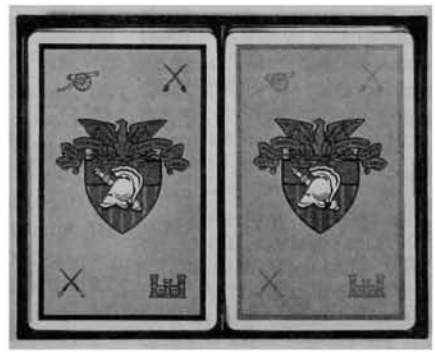

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We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.

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Ora Elmer Hunt

NO. 3591 CLASS OF 1894

Died 20 August 1969 in Berkeley, California, aged 97 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

ORA ELMER HUNT

ORA ELMER HUNT was born in Berryessa, Napa County, California, on 26 June 1872. While he was still a young boy, his family moved to the frontier lumber town of Point Arena on the California coast. For schooling he had to attend a small country school at Boonville, some thirty miles away. The school master recognized his ability and ambition and gave him special training in subjects not well covered in the little country school.

He had from early days a burning desire to attend the Military Academy at West Point. So even before he finished high school in Boonville, he took the preliminary examination for the Academy held in San Francisco. He passed and got approval to take the final examinations at West Point. Although he was somewhat short of academic credits and formal education, the officers in charge at the Academy recognized his abilities and determination and gave him the opportunity to make up the deficiencies. He graduated with the Class of 1894 and was assigned to Vancouver Barracks, Washington, where he served for four years.

With the outbreak of the Spanish-American War he was sent to the Philippines, staying on after the war to serve in the Philippine Insurrection. Later he aided in preparing much needed military maps of the Islands.

His next assignment was to the Infantry and Cavalry School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, graduating with distinction in 1906, followed by a year at the Staff College there. From Leavenworth he returned to West Point as instructor in the Department of English and History from 1908-1910 and then as assistant and later associate professor of modern languages, which post he held until 1917. During his tour of duty he edited and contributed to Volume V of the Photographic History of the Civil War. This volume, of the ten volume series, covered the subjects of forts, defenses, and artillery.

At the outbreak of World War I in 1917, he was assigned briefly as senior instructor in Infantry Tactics at the Officers' Training School at Fort Myer, Virginia. Later the same year he was appointed Colonel of the 320th Infantry, 80th Division at Camp Lee, Virginia, and then before leaving for France he was made Brigadier General in Command of the 6th Brigade of the 3d U. S. Division. He was 45 years old at the time.

The 6th Brigade under General Hunt's command took a distinguished and very active part in the operations of the American Expeditionary Forces in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives in September and October 1918. The Brigade received high commendations from the Commander in Chief, and General Hunt was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and Silver Star Citation for valor and distinguished leadership of the Brigade in these actions.

With the end of the war and the return of the 3d Division to the States, General Hunt was given command of the Division while stationed at Camp Pike, Arkansas, in 1919. His next assignment was to the Inspector General's Department, Washington, D. C., where he served until 1923, at which time he was retired at his own request. He then returned to California and settled in Berkeley, where he made his home except for his service in Nicaragua.

Five years after retirement, President Coolidge asked him to serve on the Joint American Electrol Mission to supervise the elections in politically unstable Nicaragua. This election became known as the "First Scandaless" presidential election to be held in that troubled country. For his part in this mission he was awarded the Marine Corps Medal.

General Hunt was married in 1896 to Eva Smith, by whom he had a son Leland and two daughters, Virginia and Margaret. They were divorced in 1927, and two years later he married Josephine Guion. Katherine was the only child of this marriage.

General Hunt was a man of many friends, wide spread interests and enthusiasms and was known as a brilliant conversationalist. He was a great lover of the natural beauty of the great outdoors, and he and his family travelled extensively throughout the West after his retirement. The mountains, the seashore, the forests, and lakes were to him a never ending source of inspiration and enjoyment, which he enthusiastically shared with his family.

—Edwin S. Thomas

Ulysses S. Grant 3rd

NO. 4127 CLASS OF 1903

Died 29 August 1968 in Clinton, New York, aged 87 years.

Interment: Hamilton College Cemetery, Clinton, New York

FREQUENTLY, GRADUATES OF WEST POINT who had hoped to command combat units in battle found themselves, instead, assigned as supply officers or to other staff positions. In those fields they served with great distinction, perhaps more effectively for their country than they would have done had they obtained the assignments they wished for on graduation.

From his family record, his grandfather, Ulysses S. Grant, a great General, and his father, Frederick Dent Grant, a veteran combat commander, one might have expected Ulysses Grant 3rd to choose the command of troops for his career. However, his whole

ULYSSES S. GRANT 3RD

pre-West Point training diverted him in a different direction. He was a linguist and a scholar when he entered West Point. He had majored in history. He had been taught in private schools in Europe and the United States. He spoke French as fluently as he did English. He also spoke German and some Italian. He did not have to study after hours to maintain a high standing in Academics. A quick reading of the lesson for the day was sufficient to guarantee a top mark. He was no grind and had no overpowering urge to be more than reasonably near the top in class standing. He was Adjutant of the Corps of Cadets in First Class Year. That was a conspicuous position for which a tall, handsome cadet with a good voice was well fitted, but it was a staff assignment.

Ulysses served with numerous Engineer battalions. His first post on graduation was with the 3d Battalion of Engineers in Mindanao, Philippine Islands. Due to an increase in strength of the Corps of Engineers, all second lieutenants were promoted to first lieutenant in June 1904 and he was returned to Washington Barracks. There he served with the 2d Battalion of Engineers, and as an aide to President Theodore Roosevelt until October 1906. He also attended the Engineer School at Washington Barracks. It was at this time that he met his future wife, Edith, the daughter of Elihu Root, then Secretary of War. They were married in November 1907.

Ulysses was detailed as Military Aide to the special embassy sent by the United States to Spain to attend the wedding of King Alfonso XIII and Princess Eugenia of Battenberg in May 1906. In October 1906, he went to Cuba with the 2d Battalion of Engineers, and served there in various capacities until June 1907 when he returned to the Engineer School at Washington Barracks. He was ordered to the Boston Engineer District in October 1907 and served there on river and harbor work until August 1909 when he moved to Washington as Superintendent of the State, War, and Navy Building. He became a Captain in February 1911.

In May 1913, he reported to Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, and became Captain of E Company of the 2d Battalion of Engineers, serving with them in Texas and as part of the Punitive Expedition into Mexico. He was commissioned Major in June 1916 and after further service along the Border was ordered to Washington and promoted to the tempo-

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rary rank of Lieutenant Colonel, August 1917. After several months at the Army War College he became a member of the General Staff, with the temporary rank of Colonel.

Ulysses was next assigned to the Supreme War Council in Paris and sailed for Europe in January 1918. He served as Assistant Commissioner on the treatment of war prisoners and with the American Commission to Negotiate Peace. For this highly important service he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. He returned to the United States in December 1919 and served in the office of the Chief of Staff until May 1920 when he was detailed to duty in San Francisco as District Engineer, 2d San Francisco River and Harbor District, and Executive Officer of the California Debris Commission. He served in that capacity until 1925 when he was returned to Washington as Director of Public Buildings and Grounds, National Capital, in which post he remained until July 1933. He made a brilliant record in enlarging the park system of the District of Columbia, and helped the Federal Park Service to make the American public conscious of the need to establish public parks nationwide before all available and suitable sites were lost to commercial development. During this assignment, Ulysses obtained authorization and appropriations from Congress for the Memorial Bridge across the Potomac River. He supervised the design and construction of that beautiful bridge.

From 1933 to 1934 he attended the Army War College, and was then sent as commanding officer to Fort Dupont, Delaware, garrisoned by the First Engineers and Coast Artillery troops, a post which he much enjoyed. He was commissioned Colonel in October 1934 having reverted to his permanent rank of Major in March 1920, and became a Lieutenant Colonel in 1926. After a tour of duty as Chief of Staff of the 2d Corps Area with headquarters at Governors Island, he was made Division Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Great Lakes River and Harbor Division at Cleveland, Ohio.

Ulysses was commissioned temporary Brigadier General, October 1940, and in April 1941 was assigned to command the Engineer Replacement Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, where he was when the United States entered World War II. In June 1942, he was named War Department Representative on the Board of Protection, Office of Civil Defense. He traveled extensively, giving National Security Awards to firms in recognition of their achieving maximum production in the war effort. On 3 April 1944, he was relieved by President Roosevelt to devote his full time to the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, of which he had been chairman since 1942. He had been promoted to Major General (temporary) in 1943 and was retired as a Major General in 1945, continuing on active duty until 1946. For his services in World War II he was awarded the Legion of Merit.

Ulysses had no intention of giving up useful work for his country on retirement and retained his chairmanship of the National Park and Planning Commission until 1948. He was a Vice-President of George Washington University for five years (1946-1951), Chairman of the Civil War Centennial Commission until 1961, and Chairman of the Board of Government Services, Inc. until his death. His keenest interest was in the Columbia Historical Society, of which he was President from 1952 on. He obtained the gift to that Society of the palatial old mansion which is now occupied by the Society's offices and library. Ulysses belonged to all the well-known patriotic societies, and during all his years in retirement he remained active in assisting those who worked to preserve areas and structures of historic value. He wrote many articles and made numerous addresses in this work. The Columbia Historical Society has a library filled with these writings and speeches of "their General."

Ulysses' last great work was his carefully researched volume on the life of his grandfather. It is titled, "Ulysses S. Grant, Warrior and Statesman," and is published by Morrow and Company, Inc. of New York. It is a splendid historical production, including extensive quotations from papers never heretofore published. It destroys many vicious and untrue stories widely current about the General and the President. Ulysses' grandfather finished his "Memoirs" while suffering the intense pain of his final illness. Ulysses acted like him, for although in failing health, he was determined to finish the biography of his grandfather before he died, and he succeeded. He died in August 1968 in his wife's ancestral home in Clinton, New York.

One characteristic of Ulysses S. Grant 3rd will be remembered long after his civic and military achievements have been buried in the archives; he was the ideal gentleman. His courtly old-world manner combined with a twinkling sense of humor produced a pattern of conduct in his personal relations which will serve as an inspiration and model to all who knew him.

Ulysses is survived by his three daughters: Mrs. David W. Griffiths (Edith), Mrs. Paul E. Ruestow (Clara Frances) and Mrs. John S. Dietz (Julia).

—M. C. T.
a classmate

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Emil Fred Reinhardt

NO. 4931 CLASS OF 1910

Died 24 July 1969 in Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, aged 80 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

EMIL FRED REINHARDT

EMIL F. REINHARDT WAS BORN at Bay City, Michigan, 27 October 1888, and entered the Military Academy from there in 1906. Upon graduation he was assigned to the Infantry and during the next forty years served at many United States posts as well as the Philippines and Europe.

At West Point he came to be known as "Ducky" Reinhardt, a name by which he was affectionately called throughout his career.

General Reinhardt served with the U. S. Army of Occupation in Germany following World War I, graduated from the Command and General Staff College in 1923 and the Army War College in 1931. He was appointed Brigadier General on 16 April 1941 and received promotion to Major General 17 April 1942. He assumed command of the 69th Infantry Division, 1 September 1944.

On 25 April 1945, after a drive across Europe advance units of his Division made the initial contact with the Russian Army at the Elbe River. His command of the 69th terminated 11 August 1945, and he returned to the United States, retiring from active duty 30 September 1946.

Then followed twenty years of "active" retirement as City Manager of Terrill Hills, San Antonio, Texas, and also as prime organizer of The 69th Division Association. This latter task was to take several years of devoted work but eventually resulted in the formation of a large, active, and spirited Association.

Following his death the 69th Infantry Division Bulletin published the following tribute: "In the War itself, a special role was reserved for him. The handclasp with his Soviet equivalent was the signal to the world of the liberation of Europe. He personified, at that historic moment, the attainment of the Allied goals.

"The General's fortune, in finding himself, at the culmination of the five year drama at the helm of the furthest forward division of the Armies of the West, was not due to the luck of the draw. That he commanded the Sixty-Ninth to begin with was owed a choice, dictated by honor; offered a corps stationed within the Continental limits, he had insisted, instead, on a division marked for combat.

"This decision, which brought General Reinhardt to Camp Shelby, and hence into the lives of us all, is hardly to be remarked on, so much was it in character. From the day the train from Michigan deposited him at the Military Academy, on the heights above the Hudson, until, forty years later when he brought the Sixty-Ninth Division back to the United States, his life was devoted to the country's service. It is not easy to imagine that he would have let pass the opportunity to come face to face with her foes."

Decorations awarded during his career include: Distinguished Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, European Theatre Battle Stars for Battles of Rhineland and Central Germany, French Croix de Guerre with Palm, French Legion of Honor, Officer Grade, Russian Order of Suvorov, Class II.

General Reinhardt met Laura Bishop of Michigan while a Cadet and married her in 1919. Laura proved to be the ideal Army Wife who, like "Ducky" himself, adapted readily to their ever-changing environment making each house a home not only for the family but for the many who partook of their warm hospitality. Two daughters Laura Jane and Ann Sybil were born to them. He is survived by his daughter Ann, wife of W. G. Stevenson, Vancouver, Canada, a brother and sister, and two grandchildren.

—Ann Reinhardt Stevenson

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Richard Emmanuel Anderson

NO. 5038 CLASS OF 1912

Died 11 March 1969 in Pebble Beach, California, aged 80 years.

RICHARD EMMANUEL ANDERSON

ANDY OR "SWEDE," as most of us knew him, had an interesting, satisfying life, a friendly life. As a Cadet he was always an enthusiastic, hard worker in any good cause—cheerful, a confirmed optimist. His contagious laugh lightened many an hour of hard work. On the fencing team and the baseball team he was a helpful pal, did more than his share.

At the Intercollegiate Fencing Meet in New York in the spring of 1911, Swede proved himself to be a soldier and a man who could rise above the close approach of death. Those of us who were there will never forget Swede's courage. It happened this way: We were doing very well in the early bouts, and it looked as though we would win the meet. Then a truly terrible thing occurred.

Swede took on an opponent who had a formidable record of success in previous matches. His style was completely the opposite of Swede's. Swede was a graceful, highly skilful fencer; and the contrast between his smooth style and the heavy tactics of his opponent was sharply evident. Each time the Swede made an attack and stretched out into his lithe, final lunge, his opponent lunged simultaneously. This resulted in a heavy violent shock in which brute power tried to neutralize skill. By the time the bout was a third over, it became evident that most anything could happen. We all became tense and angry. Monsieur Vauthier, our wonderful coach, was noticably displeased.

Just at the moment when everyone could see that Swede's opponent's tactics were contrary to the rules of fencing and in violation of the fencing code of propriety, the fatal blow fell.

As the two fencers came together, his opponent's point struck Swede on the hip, and the blade bent up under his arm. Then, because of his opponent's heavy hand, his blade broke, and the jagged shank of the foil continued on into Swede's chest. The sharp tip entered at the armpit between the two big leader muscles, went through any number of convolutions of the right lung, passed just behind the spine and came out through the skin about four inches to the left of the spine.

Swede dropped to the floor. Monsieur Vauthier was on his feet instantly and took charge. The foil had been withdrawn as Swede went down, but an examination showed the wounds at the point of entry and exit.

This was the moment when Swede showed his character and courage. He did not get the least bit excited, as the rest of us would have done. He remained perfectly cool, did just what Monsieur Vauthier told him to do, displayed amazing calm. Of course the doctors feared a hemorrhage; that would have been fatal.

Monsieur Vauthier said that he had known of several similar injuries; all had resulted in death from a hemorrhage. Needless to say we were all very worried.

Thanks to Swede's coolness, self-control, and courage, after eight long days in a New York hospital, he was pronounced out of danger. Behind Swede's normal, cheerful, light approach to life was a character, a stamina and a self discipline that few men ever attain.

Five years after graduation Swede married Anne Glover of Garrison, New York. They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 7 May 1967. No matter how blurred our cadet memories may be, we can all remember her as the most popular cadet girl of our day. They had four children, two boys and two girls: Cornelia, Richard, Nancy, and John. So far there are twelve grandchildren, and one great grandson.

Swede had an enviable war record. He participated in the Punitive Expedition in Mexico in 1916. In World War I, he sailed for France on 28 April 1918, was promoted to Major on 8 July, commanded a battalion of Field Artillery in the Aisne-Marne Offensive, was Chief of Staff of Corps Artillery of the IV Corps, followed by duty at General Headquarters. On 26 October 1918, he was a Lieutenant Colonel and participated in the march into Germany with the Artillery of the 79th Division. He remained in Germany until August 1919, when he was ordered to duty at West Point—altogether a very active and very eventful war record.

Although retired, Swede volunteered to go back to limited active duty in World War II. He served at the Field Artillery School as S4, and as Director of Animal Transport, then as Executive Officer at Camp Carson, Colorado, and as Commanding Officer, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, where in 1946, he retired a second time.

Our big, genial classmate started on the school circuit early—first at Sill; then a tour in the Mathematics Department at West Point; back to Sill in 1922, a collaborator with General "A" at Leavenworth in 1928; from there to West Point again as Senior Instructor of Artillery, the job he held when retired for physical disability in 1931.

Always an avid hunter and a sought-for hunting companion, he had many near accidents. One day he fell, his gun discharged and he was seriously wounded. This was the cause of his retirement in 1931.

One of the Army's outstanding horsemen, he later sustained a severe head injury while playing polo.

In the Class files we find an excellent sketch of Andy, written by Bun Hobson, about 1932. It reads: "A broad smile, and a hearty laugh. That is old Swede. No matter whether he had just hit a golf ball into Merritt Lake at Fort Leavenworth, while playing with Chen, Duke Edwards, and Littlejohn, received a 'U' or a perfect solution: he never failed to radiate happiness and good fellowship.

"No matter whether Swede was a student, teacher, or real soldier, he made good with a bang."

Swede's mental capacity made him a very successful teacher. In the twenties he commanded the Field Artillery unit of Cornell University Reserve Officers Training Corps. Later he served as an instructor at Bordentown Academy, and Pennsylvania Military College, and at The Citadel under General Summerall. Then he became President of Oklahoma Military Academy. He left there to go on temporary active duty.

During the latter years of his retirement Swede taught mathematics in four California schools, both public and private. He was a well-rounded man, intellectually and spiritually, and a staunch supporter of the "old-fashioned" conventions and standards. These fine qualities surely left an imprint on the impressionable young students who were fortunate enough to come under his influence. No doubt, they will also remember him for his good humor and those inevitable funny yarns that he injected into the flow of whatever subject he might be discussing! He made many people smile in his lifetime. A truly wonderful way to "bear good fruit!"

If a large and loyal following is evidence of a successful teacher, Andy can rest assured that he eminently fulfilled this role. Many of his students, as well as faculty, were present to pay their final respects at his funeral service.

For a brief interval, Andy wrote amusing articles, sometimes about the local wildlife. One article, a very successful one, was about Army mules. Typical of Swede's light touch it was titled "The Little Darlings."

A great family man, Andy's home was usually filled with his children, grandchildren, in-laws, and his sisters—coming and going. On his and Anne's fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1967, they flocked in from all directions to express their love and esteem.

Swede's friendship with our beloved Bun Hobson was one of the pleasant highlights of his last years. These two wonderful men spent many happy hours together discussing Army experiences, colorful Service characters, dogs, hunting, religion, and what have you. This pleasant diversion often lasted well into the late hours of the night.

Andy had many accomplishments, being an expert horseman, and outstanding polo player, a fine shot (like his close friend Bun Hobson, he'd rather hunt than eat), an expert story teller, and considering the handicap of his injured hand, a better-than-average golfer. He had a keen sense of humor and a real talent for telling anecdotes and amusing jokes. What an inexhaustible fund of them he had, too!

In spite of his infirmities, plus the weight of eighty years, Andy remained mentally clear, slim and erect till the end, though his gait became slow and uncertain, probably because of his failing eyesight. He was accused by friends of wearing a toupee (Bun Hobson, tease as he was, put out this false report), because Andy never became gray nor did he ever develop a receding hair line. Once he complained when someone pulled his hair "to see if he really *did* wear a toupee." "Darn that Bun Hobson!" protested Andy. He got even with Bun on the golf course, though, usually winning the money.

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Swede was always happy to see friends. They would find him sitting in his large leather chair, listening to the radio with the last of his many faithful dogs at his feet. Like Andy, the old springer (named "Chocolate Sundae" because of his coloring) had reached the age of infirmities. There appeared to be a mutual understanding of each other's limitations. A venerable white cat would be curled up nearby; often there were kittens present, from one of her frequent litters. Swede loved animals, and they returned his devotion and were always in attendance.

Every day he would walk with the cat, and "Sundae." Sometimes neighborhood dogs joined in the faithful convoy. He repeated this stroll perhaps three times a day, often as late at 10:00 p.m.

Toward the end it became a race between Swede and his faithful dog Sundae to see which would go to his eternal reward first. They both suffered patiently the inroads of age, growing feebler by the month. About three weeks before Andy's death, the devoted old springer spaniel, partially paralyzed in his hind legs and unable to do more than crawl, went to his final rest.

On the morning of the day that Andy had planned to attend the annual West Point Alumni Dinner at Fort Ord, he quietly passed away in his sleep.

We who are still here, stand at attention as the plaintive notes of taps echo through the swaying trees.

Well done, good and faithful soldier! May you rest in peace!

—M.J.H. and W.H.W.

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Percy Gamble Black

NO. 5661 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 4 January 1970 in Washington, D.C., aged 76 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

JOINING THE MILITARY RANKS at reveille near the turn of the century, a son, born 7 September 1893, and named Percy G., later reported for duty to Major General William M. Black, Chief of Engineers, World War I. Percy began his soldiering career after receiving his Bachelor of Science Degree from the U. S. Military Academy in 1917, followed by distinguished service in positions of great responsibility during two World Wars. Born to serve, Percy, as he was affectionately known, was blessed with those sterling qualities of sincerity, greatness, and compassion. He knew and understood the true value of comradeship and the acceptance of all humanity. Being a man of high moral character, it was not difficult for him to choose always the harder right instead of the easier wrong and never be content with the half truth when the whole could be won. This was his hallmark and he followed this creed which is so often spoken by every true son of West Point in the Academy prayer. Percy never failed to have the greatest admiration and respect for his classmates and for all the people with whom he came in contact during his years of service in both the military service and in industry.

Among his many decorations for distin-

PERCY GAMBLE BLACK

guished and outstanding service to his country, Percy received the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, and the Officers' Cross of the Order of Polonia Restituta. During World War I he served with the 76th Field Artillery, 3d Infantry Division, participating in five major combat operations in France. Later, military duty carried him to foreign assignments in Hawaii, Germany, Japan, and China. Of note is his assignment as the Assistant and Acting Military Attaché for the United States Embassy in Berlin, Germany, from 1937 to 1940. In this capacity he was in close contact with the European political, military, and economic situation, traveling extensively throughout Germany and visiting nine European countries. His reports on the German military and economic preparation for war and his observations of seven German regiments and the German 3d Corps' invasion of Poland are historical intelligence. He returned to the United States in 1940 to present a series of lectures on the German campaign in Poland at the Army War College, Command and General Staff College, and various posts in the Eastern United States.

After duty as G2 for an Armored Force, Percy was assigned to the Intelligence Division, War Department General Staff, where he pioneered in the study of psychological warfare and organized the Psychological Warfare Section of the Intelligence Division; initiated the organization of the combat propaganda company; supervised studies by Doctors Gutherie and Claude Robinson to devise a method of public opinion research to determine the factors affecting the morale of troops; organized the geopolitical section of the Intelligence Division, War Department General Staff; and initiated establishment of a joint Phychological Warfare Committee of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The preparation of the Intelligence plan for the invasion of French Morocco (1942-43) was made by Percy, and it was during the landing operations that radio was used for combat propaganda for the first time. He participated in the landing at Fedale Beach near Casablanca.

In April 1943, he was assigned as Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, European Theatre, on General Andrews' staff, and was later tranferred to the Intelligence Division, Chief of Staff Supreme Allied Commander (COSSAC), which prepared the plans for the invasion of Europe. April 1944 found Percy reassigned to the office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, War Department General Staff, where he served as Chief German Specialist and Chief Western European Specialist. After a colorful, prominent military career, Percy retired from active duty in 1946. Always living his Alma Mater's motto of "Duty, Honor, Country," he established a distinguished military record which stands as a challenge for the officer of tomorrow.

After retiring from the military service in 1946, Percy began a second career with industry and served with General Telephone and Electronics Corporation as an Assistant Vice President in charge and responsible for consolidating the company's interest in the Washington, D. C. office. He retired from this position in 1964 and was retained as a consultant.

Along with his busy days at the GT&E Corporation, Percy enjoyed his affiliation with the Army Ordnance Association, Association of the United States Army, Army and Navy Club and 1925 "F" Street Club, and the Chevy Chase Club, all of the Washington metropolitan area.

One of his most cherished affiliations was with the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, with whom he served as its National President in 1956-57. He became active in the AFCEA affairs in 1948 and held the positions of Program Chairman, Washington Chapter, President of Washington Chapter, Chairman National Convention, and member of the National Executive Committee and Board of Directors. Percy's outstanding background and management capability along with his wonderful sense of humor and enthusiasm were the essential characteristics that helped the Association to make steady forward progress, along both military and civilian lines.

The countless friends who admired and respected Percy in both civilian industry and in the military will feel his loss greatly. We of the industry family and military family extend our heartfelt sympathy to his beloved wife Laura, whose graciousness and devotion created a life of immeasurable happiness for her husband. Also, we express our very deep sorrow to his son Peter, his daughter Mrs. Paul, and to his stepdaughter Mrs. Dunlop.

Always fair in his judgment of people and always loyal to his assigned tasks, Percy will leave an unfilled gap after years of association and service with his many friends. Who among us will ever forget his clear-cut decisions, his imaginary and excellent suggestions, his dependability and profound desire to make life just a little bit better for his fellowman. His loss is one of unimaginable proportion and, as the days go by, the profundity of his absence will become greater. For, Percy was a man of persuasive charm and gentlemanly grace and manner—a man among men who exemplified always the ingredients of integrity, loyalty, and honesty, who treated everyone with respect and understanding.

As his classmates and friends stood at his graveside on the 15th day of January 1970 and as the last strains of taps echoed over the snow covered hills of Arlington National Cemetery, everyone realized that Percy Gamble Black had fulfilled his assignment in this life and was departing for this home in Heaven for a reward of everlasting life from his Heavenly Father. Bien fait, Percy—be thou at peace.

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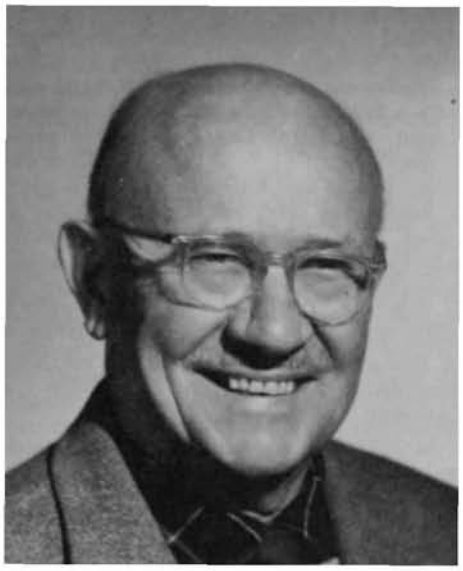
Earle Everett Sarcka

NO. 5878 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 31 August 1969 in Shaftsbury, Vermont, aged 76 years.



EARLE EVERETT SARCKA

BORN IN FINLAND, 23 September 1892, his parents moved their family to Proctor, Vermont, in 1895, where he attended primary school. In 1910, he entered Mt. Pleasant Academy, one of two military academies established by the State of New York in 1814, as preparatory schools for West Point. These school properties were rented to accredited headmasters, who operated them, preparing boys for the United States Military Academy.

Entering the Academy in July 1914, his classmates dubbed him "Swede." He soon became a well-known athlete, having been keenly interested in sports and games from childhood. Baseball was especially his game. He became a noted left-handed pitcher on the varsity team and also played hockey for West Point. In addition to his great interest in sports he liked music and sang in the West Point Choir. Soon after graduation he married Elizabeth Sterling Brusie, daughter of Charles Frederick Brusie, headmaster of Mt. Pleasant Academy.

Graduating early, because of World War I, he was assigned to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where he was adjutant under General Gaston, and had the interesting job of forming the 17th Machine Gun Battalion. Being anxious to see action in France, he asked the general to relieve him of adjutant's duty, so that he could go overseas with the machine gun battalion he had formed.

Promoted to First Lieutenant in France he was, after the Armistice, one of the organizers of the great Inter-allied Sports Meet in France.

Within a year of his return to the United States, after special duty in the Army, he resigned and became Commandant at his old school, Mt. Pleasant Academy.

In 1922, the Sarckas acquired a large country place in Litchfield, Connecticut and opened a country day and boarding school for young boys, where for thirty-four years boys of eight to fourteen were successfully prepared for such schools as Exeter and Andover. Summers he did graduate work at Columbia, Harvard, and Oxford Universities.

A serious accident, resulting in a broken back, caused Sarcka's retirement to Vermont, where, in North Bennington, he had a small hilltop farm with a fine view. Here he made a complete recovery and spent ten happy years gardening, playing golf, and developing his lifelong interest in wild life.

A warm-hearted, genial man, Sarcka is greatly missed by his "old boys" and his Litchfield and Army friends.

George Bicker Aigeltinger

NO. 5945 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 10 October 1963 in Scarsdale, New York, aged 66 years.

Interment: Kensico Cemetery, Valhalla, New York

GEORGE DID NOT STAY in the Army very long after his graduation on 12 June 1918. He was assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps. After a short course at the Coast Artillery School at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, he trained Coast Artillery Corps officers and also taught a course in, of all things, Equitation and Hippology, which may have been enough for any Coast Artilleryman to resign, which he did in September 1919.

He was greatly disappointed by his failure to get back into the Service for World War II, because of his poor health. He had a long history of illness including several serious operations. But he made a great effort to return to West Point each year during June Week in order to make the march to Thayer Monument. Usually, because of his health, he returned to his home after the ceremony. Though he had left the Service early, he retained his interest in and affection for the Academy. While working in New York City during the 1920's, he and Laddie Bellinger regularly attended a West Pointers' luncheon in the Wall Street area. He also attended, with his brother, many of the football games at West Point during the 1950's.

George worked for the American Brake Shoe Company, then for the investment banking firm of Bonbright & Co. Later he became a real estate broker.

He was born in Maplewood, New Jersey, on 23 February 1897. He never married. A sister, Mrs. M. E. Lohden, of Clinton, New York survives.

GEORGE BICKER AIGELTINGER

George was a friendly man, a fine gentleman, very unostentatious yet very capable. He was a man, who, in civil life, by his character and other fine qualities, brought honor to his Alma Mater.

—EWG—a classmate

Joseph Perry Catte

NO. 5999 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 28 September 1968 in Washington, D.C., aged 72 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

JOSEPH PERRY CATTE

PUSS CATTE WAS RETIRED for physical disability on 20 September 1941 and spent the rest of his life as a patient in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D. C. He was survived by his widow Beatrice and a son Joseph J., six grandchildren, and two sisters. Beatrice died on 13 August 1969 at St. Cloud, Florida.

Puss was born in the prairie village of Langdon, near Wichita, Kansas. He spent his youth there until he entered the United States Military Academy on 15 June 1915. Upperclassmen were attracted to him with unpleasant results for Puss. It is told that on Recognition Day in order to escape his tormentors, he "took off" for the hills.

He graduated with his Class on 12 June 1918, assigned to the Cavalry. On 8 March 1920, he resigned from the Service but returned as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry on 3 January 1923 and was stationed at Fort Crook, Nebraska. He and I were bachelors there. I remember that he had the reputation of being the only man in the machine gun company who was not afraid of the meanest mule in the U. S. Army. Puss was never afraid of risking personal injury. He would have been a fearless battlefield leader. In March of 1924, we requested transfer to the Air Service. Puss wrecked a couple of planes trying to land and was "washed out."

In 1928, he married Beatrice Cottrell of Indiana in Honolulu, Hawaii. They had one son Joseph J. who was born at Fort Benning, Georgia, on 7 August 1929.

Puss took the Company Officer's Course at the Infantry School in 1929, followed by a course at the Signal Corps School. He was

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a member of the 1940 Leavenworth Class. He was promoted to Major on 1 July 1940 and was retired for physical disability on 20 September 1941.

It is stated in his Class HOWITZER that he was an excellent tumbler, quick as a cat. He showed his innate toughness by performing in a meet with a very sore back. He was generous, good natured, bighearted, downright optimistic with an everpresent smile on a sunny face.

Puss, no doubt, faced The Reaper as he faced life, without fear.

EWG—June '18

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Eugene Luther Vidal

NO. 6100 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 20 February 1969 in Palos Verdes, California, aged 73 years.

Cremation

EUGENE LUTHER VIDAL

GENE TRULY WAS ONE OF West Point's most remarkable graduates. While his full and varied life seemed an unending success story to some, he experienced many setbacks in health and some in business. His significance lay in his ability to overcome defeat and rise to greater triumphs.

Gene was born in Madison, South Dakota, on 13 April 1895. He worked his way through the University of South Dakota, distinguishing himself in football, baseball, basketball, and track; graduating at the head of his engineering class.

He went on to West Point where his exploits are legendary; among the many honors he received were two sabres, one as Football Captain and one as best all around athlete in his Class. Some of his records are yet to be surpassed.

A classmate writes: "I first saw Gene at the beginning of Plebe summer football practice. He had slipped and cut a gash in his knee. It was bleeding. McEwan, the 1916 football captain, was telling Gene he probably would live, but it would be well to have the cut treated at the hospital.

"Dressed in undershirt and shorts, Gene jogged rhythmically toward the hospital. He fascinated me. Never had I seen such a magnificent, physically perfect human being —strong handsome face, powerful shoulders, enormous chest, slender waist, flat stomach, and powerful well-formed legs. Later under after-practice showers, we visited. He was friendly and likable.

"On the 1916 ARMY football team, long before the two-platoon system, Gene was a ball carrier, punter, drop kicker, pass receiver and backup defenseman. Against Notre Dame, he drop kicked a 47-yard field goal. In the 1916 ARMY-Navy game, when ARMY was hard pressed to score, Gene whispered to Quarterback Charlie Gerhardt, 'Throw a pass in the right corner of the field, and I'll catch it.' This he did; it was the winning touchdown.

"In basketball, Gene was Army's star performer. He went out for baseball. Surprisingly, he could throw equally well with either arm. In those days, West Point participated in no inter-collegiate track and field meets. However, one interclass meet was held in the spring of 1918. Our Class won. There were twelve events; Gene entered in seven. He won second place in the 120-yard high hurdles, in grenade throwing, and pole vault. He won first in the discus (125 feet), high jump (6 feet), running broad jump (21′ 11″), and first in the hammer throw (107′ 5″).

"Gene competed in so many sports he never was in a cheering section. Once he was asked at another school, to give a West Point yell—and he could not remember one!

"Although World War I disrupted Army sports, many qualified observers consider Gene as West Point's greatest athlete. Gene also excelled in his academic work. In a class of 227, he stood 72. Among his classmates and upperclasses, he had no enemies. I have never heard an unkind remark about him."

A roommate writes: "As a cadet his status as a leader is attested by the fact that he was selected to serve as a member of the Vigilance Committee. He performed his duties with wisdom, firmness, and compassion. His pleasing personality and unassuming manner endeared him to all. It was a privilege and a pleasure to have known him. As Kester Hastings has said—'He is the hero of our Class. Gene is the most.'"

Gene's ability and determination were exceeded only by his modesty. His confiding blue eyes and almost apologetic smile masked a wide ranging, alert mind and an unusual capability to state his ideas clearly and tersely. The modesty of the man is best exemplified by his own description of his career after graduation.

"Following USMA graduation, I served in both the Corps of Engineers and Air Service attending the usual Engineering and Flight Schools. As a Tactical Officer and Coach, I was the first Air Service officer assigned to the USMA during the early twenties. During this period, I was an Olympic Team Coach and participated in a couple of such games, placing both in the Pentathlon and Decathlon as well as playing on the Olympic Rugby team. And I managed to play football briefly with both the New York Giants and the Washington Redskins.

"I resigned from the Air Service in 1926 and for the next quite exciting six years I was one of the tireless airline pioneers of the organization and operation of TAT, now TWA, as Assistant General Manager, the Ludington Line, later merged into EAL, as Executive Vice President. Boston Main Airways, now Northeast Airlines, as part owner and Director, which I still am.

"In 1933, President Roosevelt appointed me U. S. Director of Air Commerce. My four years in that office was a period of many innovations with rapid developments in both civil and commercial aviation. (These included licensing of pilots and early traffic control). I might mention that my particular contributions were the subject of a 1933 *Time Magazine* Picture Cover story. Also, during the same year, I received the United States Chamber of Commerce Annual Award as one of the 'Outstanding Young Men of America'—a bit embarrassing to me since the other eleven were really famous.

"Following the Air Commerce tour, along with a few consulting activities, I organized, during the late 1930's, a development-licensing-patenting firm, the Vidal Company, which for the next fifteen or so years acquired a number of licenses companies. My so-called Vidal Process (for molding plywood into various shapes), still employed in European as well as United States industry was at that time the subject of a lengthy *Saturday Evening Post* story. Also, my efforts in this area were responsible for my being presented a Doctor of Science Degree at Lawrence College."

In 1942, the first of two coronary attacks make it impossible for Gene to serve in the war. Through sheer courage and determination he recovered his health to the extent that his later years were the most profitable and productive, much to his puzzlement. During this period he engaged more heavily in research and development turning from molded plywood to fiberglass and polyethylene plastic. The result was a variety of civilian and military products including airframes for the United States, Canadian, and British military services. After he retired as an active participant in the Vidal Company, he continued to develop and patent products in his home workshop. All of these had the common characteristics of great simplicity and of leading to a better life for all people. Sometimes his restless mind with its serene indifference to the usual would probe almost too far into the future, and he suffered from being too far ahead of his time.

He never lost interest in national security. The best description of his many contributions to his country's military progress is also written by Gene himself: "Being unhappy over not only missing out on World War I, but being eliminated physically from World War II, when in the early 50's Matt Ridgway, then Chief of Staff, suggested my assisting in solving their many Army Aviation problems during those formative years, I was delighted. So for the past dozen years I contributed time and effort to that cause serving in a variety of capacities such as Aviation Advisor to the Chief of Staff and member of the Secretary of the Army's Scientific Advisory Panel. Also, I was a member of the Howze Board which created the first Air Mobile Division and as such visited the Air Cavalry Division field base in South Vietnam this past Spring. While there, General Norton, then Commanding General, presented me with an award covering my contributions to the formation of his oufit. The certificate is framed. and I would like to hang it outside the entrance to our home in the country in Connecticut."

Gene's work with the military tells much of his style and stature. When visiting senior officers and civilians, he was self effacing, yet convincing. He rarely announced himself before his arrival, but so great was their respect for this remarkable man that civil-

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ian secretaries and generals would alter their schedules to spend a few minutes with him. They knew he would have something worthwhile to say.

West Point was held in esteem and in fondness by Gene who made frequent return visits. He was an avid football fan and always concerned with the progress of the Academy in its curricula as well as in its athletic program. During the 1970 Graduation Exercises the first Vidal Award was presented to the cadet who submitted the best new idea for the benefit of West Point—as selected by the cadets and the Academy.

He died after a brief illness which began in California while he was on a round-the-world trip. On 6 May 1969, in a beautifully simple ceremony so typical of Gene himself, his ashes were scattered near Fort Belvoir, his first military post following West Point. His survivors include his wife Kit; his brother, "Pick," USMA 1933; two sisters, Lorene Jones and Margaret Sutton; a daughter Valerie Hewitt, and two sons, Gore and Vance. Gene was very proud of these two accomplished young men, as well as his lovely wife and daughter.

His family is grateful for a wonderful life with this unique man.

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Wilbert Engdahl Shallene

NO. 6660 CLASS OF 1920

Died 21 December 1961 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, aged 64 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

WILBERT ENGDAHL SHALLENE was born at Moline, Illinois, 22 August 1897, and was appointed to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, from Illinois on 14 June 1918, after declining an appointment to the Naval Academy and teaching and attending classes at John B. Stetson University at Deland, Florida.

Affectionately known by his classmates as "Dutch," he graduated with them on 15 June 1920. Ours was the Class which was held in the status of "Graduated Cadets" until 2 July 1920 in order to let the World War I officers coming into the Regular Army be commissioned ahead of us. Thus seventeen days later, on 2 July 1920, Dutch was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Cavalry. Dutch's first assignment after graduation was the Basic Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas, conducted from September 1920 to 30 June 1921. His next assignment was troop duty, 14th Cavalry at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, from 1 July 1921 to 20 September 1921. He then served with a troop of the 6th Training Center Squadron at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, from 20 September 1921 to September 1922. His next assignment was with the 1st Squadron, 14th Cavalry in September 1922. He served as Post Adjutant from October 1922 to 18 September 1923. It was during this period that "Dutch," along with all other classmates, was Honorably Discharged as First Lieutenant—due to a reduction in size of the Officer Corps—on 15 December 1922 and accepted a commission as Second Lieutenant of Cavalry the same day. The entire class had been promoted to First Lieutenants in April 1921—dating back to date of graduation. The back pay thus, unknowingly earned, led many an unpredicted occurrence—to/from purchases of Model T's to marriages—

WILBERT ENGDAHL SHALLENE

and everyone was flush with money and raring to go—where?—Well, it was a lively and exciting period, and I am sure Dutch had his share. On 18 September 1923, Dutch took off for change of stations to Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands. During his tour in the Philippines, Dutch served as Assistant Adjutant and Regimental Recruit Instructor, 26th Cavalry, Philippine Scouts, departing the Philippines on 7 November 1925 for Fort Meade, South Dakota, where he served with the 4th Cavalry from 12 January 1926 to 12 July 1926. It was during his tour in the Philippines that Dutch was re-promoted to First Lieutenant of Cavalry on 16 July 1925, along with his Class in order of their standing at graduation.

Although his first love was the Cavalry, Dutch had for some time been eyeing the Field Artillery. At his request, he transferred to the Field Artillery on 12 July 1926, and the Artillery gained a fine officer. Dutch was accordingly assigned to the 3d Field Artillery at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, from 12 July 1926 to 1 September 1927. He then attended and was graduated from the Battery Officer's Course, the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 1927-28 session. Dutch's fine horsemanship, demonstrated in the Cavalry, was duly recognized by the Field Artillery, and he was assigned to and graduated from the Horsemanship Course at Fort Sill, 1928-29 session. He was then assigned to the 1st Field Artillery for duty with the Field Artillery Horse Show team on 14 June 1929.

With Dutch's Cavalry training and the Field Artillery Horsemanship course, in which he had excelled, he successfully trained a fine remount mare, American Lady.

Dutch's superb training of American Lady in the Horsemanship Course was a major factor in this mare's entry and excellent showing in the 1932 Olympics Dressage for the United States, for which she was further schooled and ridden by Len Kitts. She was the only United States entry in dressage in the 1932 Olympics. Although American Lady did not win the 1932 Dressage Olympics, her performance for the United States was exceptional, for which Dutch is entitled to full credit for his development of that fine Army-owned thoroughbred mare.

While at Sill Dutch also trained a pair of Field Artillery draft wheel horses which were selected as part of the Field Artillery School Caisson team for the graduation ride. The ride down the boulder strewn Medicine Bluff #3, from the top at a gallop, was a hair raising event. They could not stop once over the bluff—just keep going and pray that no horse fell. Horse days in the Army are gone, but those of us who served with them have a certain esprit and dash that can never be attained without that noble animal—the HORSE!!

It would be too repetitious to recite all of Dutch's later assignments and accomplishments. During World War II he saw duty in the Western Pacific. His decorations included the Legion of Merit, Army Commendation Ribbon, Distinguished Service Star, and the appropriate campaign, service, and Victory Medals. Suffice it to say that throughout his career, Dutch served with greatest distinction.

On 27 June 1936, Dutch married Gertrude Mills. Their first station was Sandy Hook, then Hawaii where their only child Frank Mills Shallene was born. Dutch is survived by his son, three grandchildren, and his widow Trude, who on 6 July 1968 became the wife of Mr. George Beavers of Morrisburg, Ontario, Canada.

Their son, Frank Mills Shallene, who graduated from the University of Texas in 1962 and was commissioned in the Regular Marine Corps, served a tour of duty in Vietnam. He resigned to accept employment as Engineer for Bell Helicopter where he resides with his wife and three children in Hurst, Texas.

As happens to us all, sooner or later, disability overtakes us. Dutch suffered considerably from arthritis and was retired for such physical disability, much before normal, on 28 February 1947.

Dutch had always been a master at drawing, having served a tour at West Point in the Drawing Department from 1931 to 1933. It was quite natural, therefore, upon his retirement and making his home with his wife and family in Austin, Texas, that he should associate himself with the University of Texas as Professor of Drawing. There, through his unique skill, he inspired many a student to excel in that art and made a lasting impression on students and faculty alike. With his hands so crippled by arthritis—it was a wonder he could even hold a drawing instrument or pencil—he could still draw a true line and skillfully impart his knowledge of the art to the admiring students. Here Dutch exhibited the greatest of courage, racked with pain, but still imparting his knowledge and skill to students who never knew of his courageous pain—only his skill and interest in them.

Colonel Robert L. Taylor, USMA 1924, an associate of Dutch's at the University of Texas, paid tribute to Dutch as follows: "Dutch was very interested in his students; he made every effort to see that they learned everything of importance from his courses. He kept in touch with many of them. He was an outstanding Instructor of Drawing at the University of Texas from 1947-1959, College of Engineering, and he was an excellent draftsman who had a thorough knowledge of his courses, Engineering Drawing and Descriptive Geometry." Professor Emeritus J. D. McFarland, Engineering Graphics, University of Texas, said of Dutch: "Colonel Shallene was a very competent teacher. He was a disciplinarian, probably as a result of his long military background, but was sympathetic to the students' problems, fair in his grading, and respected

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by his students. He did a very thorough job in the execution of departmental assignments in addition to his classes, and was well liked by his colleagues in the department."

It would be very difficult to describe Dutch's fine qualities in words. You just had to know him. To hear his stentorian voice as Cadet First Sergeant—his authoritative, deep throated "Fall In," "Report," and so on was a personal characteristic never to be forgotten by his classmates. Dutch was a kind, considerate, friendly wholly unpretentious, serious, reserved and deliberate friend to all who had the good fortune to be associated with him.

In passing on to join The Long Gray Line, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on 21 December 1961, Dutch left behind a host of friends and former students whose admiration for the whole man is unsurpassed.

—Classmate, Dick Singer

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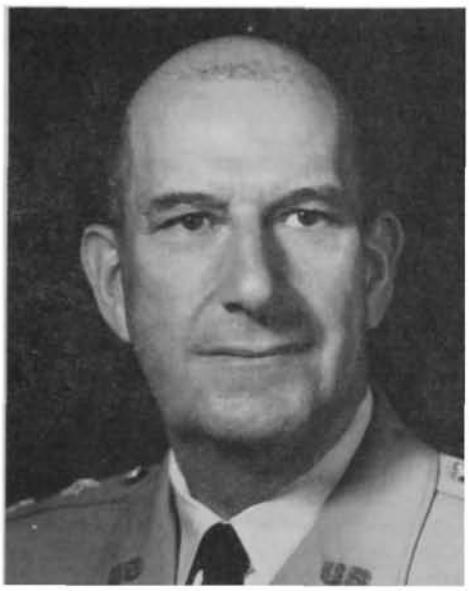
Charles Kenon Gailey Jr.

NO. 6720 CLASS OF 1920

Died 21 May 1966 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, aged 65 years.

Interment: Mount Everest, Kalamazoo, Michigan



CHARLES KENON GAILEY JR.

CHARLIE WAS ONE of those late-blooming graduates, infrequent but not unique in West Point's history. Nobody seeing the clean-sleeve, firstclass buck in 1920, or the shavetail in the lieutenant's uniform at Benning in the early '20's would have bet on him as a future Major General covered with honors at his retirement. And certainly no one would have described him as an epitome of the virtues demanded by his Alma Mater. Yet, when you have peeled off the gruff and some of the tough layers of protective covering, you discover a tender, affectionate, and devout character, surprising to those who did not know him intimately. If ever there was a soldier who lived up to the high ideals of West Point, that same was Charlie Gailey, who was always in the front rank of those who were totally dedicated to the highest standards of Duty, Honor, Country.

Slow at the start, but strong at the finish—those words just about encapsule his career. From line duty with the 29th Infantry, following graduation from the Infantry School at Fort Benning, after two years he went to foreign service in Panama with the 14th Infantry, and a year as Aide to Brigadier General Simonds; thence, after two years with tanks at Meade, he had a year of automotive engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology; then back to the Tank School at Meade for a year as instructor, and five as Aide again to General Simonds, by this time a Major General. Charlie finished Leavenworth in 1937, and then did a year on IX Corps Area Staff at the Presidio, and two years as a 27th Infantry company commander in Hawaii.

In 1940, he went to the War Department General Staff as executive of War Plans Division, which he helped convert to Operations Division, General Marshall's General Headquarters for the United States Army. It is not too much to say that Gailey was the spark plug of General Headquarters, because of his absolute dedication to his job and because he made it his business to know everything that went on in that command post for the entire Army. Anyone who knew him in those days can testify to the devotion which he brought to that duty. It was vital to the success of our operations everywhere that General Marshall have a control agency of the utmost efficiency, smooth-running and free of error. More than any other officer, Gailey was responsible for those conditions. He was simply and never-failingly on top of his job. For that service he was awarded his first Distinguished Service Medal.

Like most of us caught in the general staff bind, however, he yearned for field command, and finally, in 1945, he received it. He was promoted to Brigadier General, and shortly found himself in Berlin where he was Chief of Intelligence and Information, and later, Chief of Staff of the Berlin Command (OMGUS). After two years as Assistant Division Commander, 2d Armored Division, at Fort Hood, Texas, he returned to Germany and soon assumed command of the 43d Division at Augsburg. A classmate who relieved him in this command says of him: Charlie "was a dedicated and terrific worker, and he made the 43d a leader and winner in every sort of competition among the divisions in Germany. . . . He insisted on top performance by all his subordinates all the time." And of himself, too. He was "laid low" by a heart attack in 1954 while at Nuremberg in command of the special services division of USAREUR. In 1955, he returned to Washington as Chief, Military Affairs Division of the General Staff, and finally for the last two years of his service, as Chief, Military District of Washington. (DSM)

In 1961, he was retired and settled in Kalamazoo, Michigan, with his wife, the former Margaret Pearsall of Bay City, Michigan, and five children. Of their three boys, two are now (1970) Captains in the United States Army, and the third recently finished his tour in Vietnam before returning to Harvard Law School. His newly found home town paper was curious as to why a "son of the deep South" should elect Kalamazoo as his permanent home when so many service people went South to retire, and concluded that "retirement wasn't exactly what the General had in mind." Confessing to being community minded, he allowed as how he "was not going to sit around and do nothing." He didn't. When taps sounded, he was immersed in several civic and community enterprises, and was making a new career for himself. That's our Charlie.

Considering the immense importance of the proper functioning of General Marshall's General Headquarters during the war, there can be few among the Class of 1920 who contributed more to the success of the United States Army, and in fact, of the entire Allied effort, than Charles Kenon Gailey Jr. Let it be said, "Well done. Be thou at peace."

—FNR

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Lemuel Mathewson

NO. 6913 CLASS OF 1922

Died 26 February 1970 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 70 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

LEMUEL MATHEWSON

THOSE IN THE WASHINGTON AREA have heard all too often "Another great soldier has marched to his last bivouac. . . ." Even so it is with Matty. His was an illustrious career climaxed by important, demanding assignments both in combat and in training. Over time, he was: Aide to the President; Commanding General, XVIII Airborne Corps Artillery; Chief of Staff, Caribbean Command; Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division; Commanding General, United States Forces Berlin; Commanding General, Communications Zone, Orleans, France; Director of the Joint Staff; Commanding General, V Corps; Commanding General, Sixth U.S. Army. He was assigned as Aide de Camp to the Queen of England during her tour of the United States in 1958. He retired as a Lieutenant General—a grade he had held for over six years. After retirement, he was recalled to active duty to serve as Chairman of the Inter-American Defense Board—a tribute to his linguistic ability and to his reputation as an outstanding military statesman.

Between the World Wars, as a young officer he served on the Mexican border, in Arizona, in the Philippines, at the Artillery School, at West Point as an instructor in the Modern Languages Department, at the Infantry School, and at the Command and General Staff College. Few have paralleled his varied experiences through the years. Few indeed have made greater contribution to the Army

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and to the tradition of Duty, Honor, Country.

Few men—least of all Matty—can be properly memorialized by a resumé of places, dates, and duty assignments. It does not matter how impressive such a list may be—it is not enough. Those left behind should remember what manner of man their departed comrade was—not what morning reports over the years show as to his doings and his whereabouts on specified dates. And yet to portray Matty as he was is difficult—simply because his was a complex character.

This is not to say that he was an inscrutable weirdo—far from it. He was frank, outgoing, and an easy man with whom to deal. But, at the same time, he was never one who reflected instinctively the viewpoint of his latest contact. He was modest and unassuming, but strong-minded with all. He never dissembled—never forced his concepts on another. Hard to stampede, he made up his mind without undue delay—did what he thought was right under the circumstances. And once his mind was made up he saw it through—did out the duty no matter how difficult it might be. Perhaps he can best be described as a happy melding of the Roundhead and the Cavalier—if the Roundhead ever did the job with a smile rather than a dour look. Only a few could be as tough and yet as sweet at Matty. Generous to a fault, he never had trouble getting his hand in his pocket when a friend was down on his luck or when some poor unfortunate needed a financial leg-up. Never a "Yes" man he was, as his seniors well knew, a loyal and effective subordinate. He fell naturally into the "would fight to get" group. He was admired and loved by his peers for his honesty, integrity, and unfailing camaraderie. As for that hard to fool group, his subordinates—had he ever decided that the time had come to storm the Gates of Hell, they would have followed close order behind him. His penchant for leadership was tremendous. Through the years, before the word was commonly used, he truly had charisma of the highest order. But inevitably to be factual about Matty is to seem fulsome.

He was a handsome stalwart red-head from up-state New York when he reported to West Point so long ago to join his beloved Oriole classmates. At West Point, and through the years, he loved life and lived it to the leas. He was proud to be a soldier and proud indeed of his Alma Mater. After carefully surveying the field, he married the right girl—Rosa Hayes of Washington. Theirs was a supremely happy marriage—blessed by three lovely daughters and later by six fine grandchildren. As he grew older, he had far more than his share of the ailments to which the flesh is heir. However, he never allowed these tribulations to dampen his spirits. As his health deteriorated, his cheerfulness and buoyancy remained unchanged. He was indeed a stiff upper-lip.

The realization that he was reaching the end of the road did not depress Matty. He considered himself well ahead of the game. He had lived long enough to see all three daughters happily married to fine young men of whom he thoroughly approved. He was proud that all three had served as volunteers in Vietnam—just as he would have done in an earlier day. Typically, while Matty disagreed privately with our national policy in Vietnam, he, like Decatur, knew full well that it was still "his country." He might have doubts as to the wisdom of what was ordered, but inevitably he was in ranks when the roll was called. He went out a true Invictus—still the master of his fate, the captain of his soul.

His friends were legion—all ranks and stations in life. For, in fact, of all who knew him there is "none so proud but does him homage." A soldier and a man!

—*F.W.F.*

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Clarence Everett Rothgeb

NO. 7337 CLASS OF 1924

Died 11 September 1969 at Sandia Base, New Mexico, aged 70 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Santa Fe, New Mexico

On 11 September 1969, Colonel Clarence E. Rothgeb, who spent all of his adult life in the service of his country, died in Sandia Base Hospital, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Funeral services were held at St. Michael's and All Angels Church, where he served as a Vestryman, and graveside service was held by his Masonic Lodge at the National Cemetery at Santa Fe.

"Dutch," as he was affectionately known, was born in Elk County, Kansas, 16 October 1898. He graduated from Fredonia High School in 1917, and immediately after enlisted in the Kansas National Guard and served in France 1918-19. In 1919 he enlisted in the Regular Army and was appointed a Cadet at West Point from ranks in 1920. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, after receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree from the Military Academy. A combat veteran of both World Wars, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Iwo Jima, 1945; Navy Unit Commendation, Iwo Jima, 1945; six Service Medals, the Military Government of Okinawa, 1950, and the Secretary General of the Allied Council in Japan 1951-52. He retired in 1954 and earned a Master of Arts Degree from the University of New Mexico in 1958.

He was Master of Mathematics, Academy for Boys, for five years, and taught at the Coronado Institute of Technology for three years. Clarence was a Republican and was elected by the people to serve as State Representative from Bernalillo County to the New Mexico Legislature, 1957-58.

His hobbies included gardening, fishing, reading, and public speaking.

Clarence Everett Rothgeb

Colonel Rothgeb is survived by his wife Catherine, two daughters, two sons, a sister, two brothers, six grandchildren, and one great granddaughter. He will be missed by many.

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Maxwell Wood Tracy

NO. 7416 CLASS OF 1924

Died 12 December 1969 in the Community Hospital of Roanoke Valley, Roanoke, Virginia, aged 67 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

Maxwell Wood Tracy

Colonel Maxwell Wood Tracy, son of Brigadier General Joseph Powell and Jeanne Wood Tracy, was born at Fort Flagler, Washington, on 9 November 1902. His parents were affectionately known in the Coast Artillery Corps as "Uncle Joe and Aunt Jan" Tracy.

Max's life as an Army brat placed him in many posts and schools, winding up when he went to Shadmann's in Washington (D.C.) to win a Presidential appointment to West Point. His childhood friends included many who would be his associates throughout his Army career, with a good representation among the Thundering Herd (Class of 1924). Even as a boy Max was tall, slim, very blond, and good-looking, with a magnetic personality that attracted everyone and a quick mind that learned readily. He was fun-loving and easygoing but never compromised a principle. These attributes remained with him throughout his life.

Max was not one to bone files by studying while at West Point, but the sharpness of his intellect was evident when he drove the first section in English with so little apparent effort. He found plenty of time to play an excellent game of bridge while most of us were still struggling with our academic assignments. He was a cofounder of "The Pointer" and associate editor, and he also wrote the manual of the Guidon when the Corps started its use at parades. Upon graduation in 1924, he joined the Coast Artillery Corps.

Colonel Tracy particularly enjoyed and excelled in troop duty, though he left it long enough to attend the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe and to instruct cadets at West Point in the finer points of the English language for four years.

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Ill health prevented his having troop duty during World War II, but on a limited active duty status he made his presence felt in the war effort. He saw duty with the War Department General Staff from March 1941 to December 1946. Excerpts from his Legion of Merit citation state, "Colonel Maxwell W. Tracy performed outstanding service from May 1942 to September 1945 as a member of the Troop Movements Section and Chief of the Requirements and Allocations Branch, Operations Division, WDGS. His accomplishments coordinating and directing troop movements to overseas theatres were exceptional. He conceived the rotation policy which increased morale and returned thousands of men to this country. . . . Colonel Tracy devoted himself wholeheartedly, aggressively and conscientiously to his work, demonstrating initiative and sound judgment which made a substantial contribution to the build-up of forces in the European theatre and the subsequent redeployment against Japan."

Max's service was cut short by physical disability retirement in January 1947.

In 1931, he married Elizabeth Gordon Kilbourne, daughter of Major General Charles Evans and Elizabeth Egbert Kilbourne. This marriage was blessed with two daughters, Jeanne Tracy Richards (Mrs. D. R.), presently of San Francisco, and Elizabeth Kilbourne Tracy, now in New York. Both daughters inherited their parents' keen intellects and graduated from college with Phi Beta keys.

After retirement from the Army, Max moved his family to Lexington, Virginia, where he became very much interested in community life. He assumed civic leadership in several endeavors. He was Chairman of the United Fund, Chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals, an SPCA director, and a vestryman of the R. E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church. Attending his 45th Class Reunion at West Point and his daughter Jeanne's wedding were the highlights of his last six months with us. His death resulted from a thrombosis of an artery on 12 December 1969. His remains were interred at West Point near the Old Chapel amid a group of his classmates.

Max was an obedient but fun-loving son, a loving, devoted, and adored husband and father, and a staunch and loyal friend. Max died as he lived, a debonair gentleman who never failed in kindness to someone in trouble. His passing is a great loss to his wife Betty, daughters Jeanne and Lisa, his surviving classmates, and his many friends. We are all richer for having known Max.

Ralph and Mac — his roommates

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Roland Ainslee Browne

NO. 7717 CLASS OF 1925

Died 14 August 1969 in Lawrence, Massachusetts, aged 68 years.

Interment: Pine Grove Cemetery, Thornton, New Hampshire

COLONEL ROLAND AINSLEE BROWNE, who had spent nearly all of his adult years in the service of his country until his retirement on 31 October 1947, died at the Clover Hill Hospital, Lawrence, Massachusetts, on 14 August 1969. He was given a full military funeral with graveside services conducted at Pine Grove Cemetery, Thornton, New Hampshire on 18 August 1969.

Colonel Browne began his military career when he entered the United States Army on

ROLAND AINSLEE BROWNE

25 July 1919. He entered the United States Military Academy on 8 July 1921, graduating on 12 June 1925. Since the Cavalry was his first choice, he attended Cavalry School then Chemical Warfare School and the Troop Officers' Course. He served at many military posts in the United States as well as a tour of duty at Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands 1932-34.

He became Commanding Officer of the 609th Tank Destroyer Battalion, doing overseas duty during the years 1943-47 in Northern France, the Rhineland, Ardennes, Alsace, and Central Europe under the command of General George S. Patton.

His decorations and citations included the Bronze Star Medal, American Campaign Medal, American Defense Service Medal, World War II Victory Medal, European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with four Bronze Battle Stars, Army of Occupation Medal with Germany Clasp, Military Cross 1st Class (Belgian), Reconnaissance Medal (French), and the Commerative Medal (French).

Colonel Browne, a superior type man, highly competent in his field, was greatly respected by officers and enlisted men. He was an avid reader and spent the years of his retirement studying national and international affairs always hoping for the betterment of mankind. He once said: "The human mind is capable of so much and has to be satisfied with so little."

So another brilliant man has moved on to assume his proper place of honor in the Long Gray Line which stretches through the years of a century told.

Colonel Browne is sadly missed by his sister and brother and those who knew him well.

I. M. A. and A. C. B.

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Guy Stanley Meloy Jr.

NO. 8181 CLASS OF 1927

Died 14 December 1968 at Brooke Army General Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, aged 65 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

STAN MELOY WAS BORN in Lanham, Maryland, on 4 September 1903. He died in San Antonio, Texas, on 14 December 1968. In the intervening years he lived the life of a military man and a private citizen—a life that reflected great talent, boundless energy, and devotion to duty.

His exceptional talent as a military man is a matter of official record. He graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1927, and served in a variety of jobs prior to World War II. In April 1944, he became Chief of Staff of the 103d Infantry Division and continued in this capacity throughout the division's combat in Europe. At the outbreak of the Korean War, he took the 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, into combat and fought until he was wounded near the Kum River. As a result of his performance in this action he received the Distinguished Service Cross. Subsequently, he held such jobs as Chief of Information, Department of the Army; Commandant of the Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Georgia; Commanding General, 1st Infantry Division; Commanding General, Fourth US Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; and Commanding General, VII Corps, in Europe. In July 1961, Stan Meloy was promoted to four star rank and took over the three-hatted command of Commander in Chief, United Nations Command; Commander, US Forces Korea; and Commanding General, Eighth US Army. Two years later his distinguished thirty-six year military career was brought to a close when he retired. Few military men can match such a career.

Not content with being put out to pasture, Stan directed his energies into other arenas after retirement. One such effort was with Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, where he took over the work-horse job of Regional Vice President. He travelled extensively throughout Arkansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah to help promote an understanding of our American heritage and way of life. He spoke to countless people and organizations dedicated to serving America's interests and urged them to devote their energies to patriotic causes. These efforts came to a halt only when his health prevented him from going further. Shortly thereafter Stan Meloy passed away.

Such devotion to duty and country often times goes unnoticed; yet for Stan Meloy it is recorded in official military history, in the hearts of his family and friends, and in the minds of those who may have heard him.

GUY STANLEY MELOY JR.

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General Meloy's first wife Katherine Cahill died years ago. They had three sons—two of whom graduated from the United States Military Academy, Lieutenant Colonel G. S. Meloy III in 1953, and Major John N. Meloy in 1959. The middle son, William N. Meloy, graduated from the University of Dayton and is now teaching and coaching athletics in Cincinnati, Ohio.

General Meloy was subsequently married to the former Therese Fischer Graves of San Antonio. She has three daughters: Mrs. G. S. Avery Jr. of Newton, Massachusetts; Mrs. H. C. Coutret of Shreveport, Louisiana; and Mrs. Nicholas Bayard of Pennington, New Jersey.

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Ralph Thomas Nelson

NO. 8462 CLASS OF 1928

Died 1 October 1968 at Washington, D.C., aged 66 years.

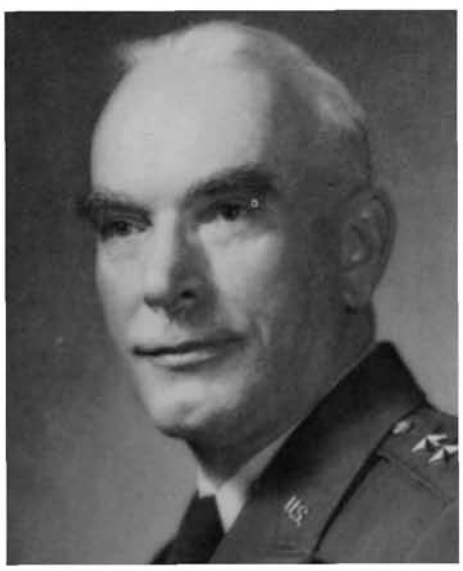
Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

ON 1 OCTOBER 1968, Major General Ralph Thomas Nelson died at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Washington. Burial with full military honors followed at Arlington National Cemetery on 3 October.

He was born in Lebanon, Indiana, on 19 June 1902. After graduating from Lebanon High School and attending Purdue for three years, he entered the United States Military Academy, graduating in 1928. Originally commissioned in the Infantry, he spent half of his service with that arm before transferring to the Signal Corps immediately after World War II.

On 10 October 1929 while serving with the 17th Infantry Regiment at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, Tom married Christine Clarke of Savannah, Georgia. Reflecting his lifelong ability to make accurate decisions quickly, it had been a whirlwind courtship of thirty days.

During the years before World War II, he served with Infantry regiments in Hawaii and Fort Benning. He also attended and was graduated from the Infantry, Tank, and Chemical Warfare schools. After the outbreak of the war, he performed training duties with the Replacement Training Center at Camp Wolters, Texas, and as Signal Officer, 4th Infantry Division.



RALPH THOMAS NELSON

Then Lieutenant Colonel Nelson joined the newly activated Fifteenth Army in 1944 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. While on the way to Europe, the ship on which he was a passenger was sunk by a German submarine in the English Channel. He was taken to a hospital in Le Havre, but rejoined his headquarters in a few weeks. As Deputy Signal Officer in France and Germany, he helped plan and direct signal operations. Fifteenth Army had operational control of 12th Army Group units in theatre reserve, rehabilitating and training those that suffered heavy losses in the Ardennes fighting. Restoration of combat signal capabilities and equipment was a critical factor in the Allied counteroffensive subsequent to the German breakthrough.

At the same time, Tom assisted in signal work in Fifteenth Army's planning for defense of the Meuse, South of Liege, and for the organization and occupation of the Bremen-Bremerhaven Enclave and Berlin District. After the Fifteenth Army took the surrender of the Lorient and St. Nazaire pockets, it assumed the defense of the Rhine and progressively organized and occupied the Rhine and other provinces in its area. The successful signal communications and support for these operations reflect the effectiveness of the signal planning and execution in which he took part.

After the German surrender, Tom went to the XV Corps of Seventh Army and later with occupational divisions as Signal Officer, serving last with the US Forces in Austria, where he continued to take part in the important organization and restoration of communications and maintenance of signal support.

Returning home in 1947, he became Director of Officers Department at the Army Signal School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He subsequently went to the Army Field Forces at Fort Monroe becoming Acting Signal Officer. There he contributed much to the accelerated signal training programs and expansion resulting from the initiation of the Korean conflict.

After graduation from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 1953, Tom went to Korea to become Signal Officer of the X Corps and subsequently of the Eighth US Army. He provided experienced direction of signal operations in Korea during the period following the truce and in maintaining signal readiness of Eighth Army units.

Upon his return, Tom became Deputy Post Commander and Chief of Staff, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. His tour was cut short by his being selected in 1955 for promotion to Brigadier General.

From 1955 to 1957, Tom was Commanding General of the Signal Training Center at Fort Gordon, Georgia. A building at the South Eastern Signal School there has recently been named for him. He then assumed command of the US Army Electronic Proving Ground, Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

In 1958, Tom came to Washington as the Deputy Chief Signal Officer. He was promoted to Major General and on 1 May 1959, he became the eighteenth Chief Signal Officer of the United States Army. He was the last Chief Signal Officer before the reorganization of the Army in 1962 and retired in July 1962 prior to its implementation.

During his long and distinguished career, Tom was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, and the Republic of Korea Distinguished Service Medal.

After his retirement, Tom continued his service to the Army and the country as a consultant to the Research Analysis Corporation. He made significant contributions to many of its studies and war gaming efforts. His dedication to his country was equalled only by his dedication to his family. He was never happier than when a special occasion brought them all together.

In May 1968, he suffered a massive cerebral hemorrhage. His doctors all agreed it was of such a magnitude that it would have immediately killed anyone of lesser mental or physical stature. On the afternoon of the first of October, however, Tom's lifetime of service to his country came to an end.

In addition to his wife Chris, Tom is survived by his son, Lieutenant Colonel Thomas C. Nelson, a daughter Mrs. Albert R. Plantz, and six grandchildren. He will be missed by them and all who knew or served with him. All would agree with a remark made by a Sergeant Major with whom he had once served: "General Nelson was truly a soldiers' general."

—T. C. N.

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Theodore Rudolph Redlack

NO. 8648 CLASS OF 1929

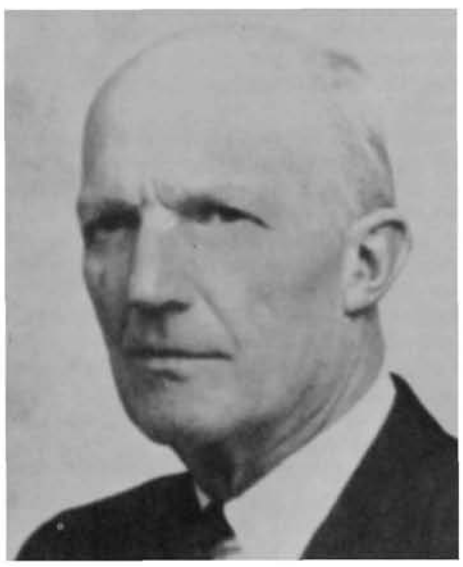
Died 25 June 1969 in Statesville, North Carolina, aged 65 years.

Interment: Oakwood Cemetery, Statesville, North Carolina

FEW GRADUATES OF THE ACADEMY have lived a more satisfying or fruitful life than Ted Redlack. A splendid son of the Middle West Theodore Rudolph Redlack was born on 26 October 1903 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the son of Mrs. Emma Kaeding Redlack Johnson and the late Charles John Redlack.

He attended the University of Minnesota and graduated from the Academy with the Class of 1929. He was blessed in many ways, but especially when he married, 4 October 1930, Ruth Margaret Litch of Danielson, Connecticut.

He served with distinction as an executive of the Killingly Worsted Mills of Danielson, Connecticut, and gave of himself freely in the community, social, civic, and church



THEODORE RUDOLPH REDLACK

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life of Danielson. While living there, the two Redlack children were born: Charles Kimball, now an executive with International Business Machine Corporation; and Shirley Ann, now Mrs. Wm. W. Hill of Atlanta, Georgia. Ted was a fine father and loved his six grandchildren with a warm and understanding appreciation.

In 1940, duty and opportunity beckoned, and he was promoted to General Manager of Killingly Worsted Mills in Stony Point, North Carolina. He moved his family to Statesville, a nearby town and immediately threw himself into the total life of the area contributing much to its betterment. He became Chairman of the Statesville Recreation Commission and developed there a program that was a model for the whole Southeast. He served as chairman for ten years. He was Secretary of the Board of Stewards of the Methodist Church as well as a trustee of the Church.

He became President of the Statesville Kiwanis Club and had the most progressive and active administration the Club had ever experienced. He somehow found time from his busy schedule to be active in the Masonic Order and the Elks Lodge, as well as serving in posts of leadership in the Statesville Country Club and various other community activities.

He was an ardent quail hunter and a true sportsman and loved the outdoors.

At the time of his death 25 June 1969 he was associated with Gilbert Engineering Company of Statesville.

In looking at Ted's life, he did not just excel and stand out as an outstanding Executive, Civic Leader, and Churchman, but he lived up to the highest traditions of the Academy as a loving and kind husband, a considerate and compassionate father, and by my own personal experience a warm, loyal, and dear friend.

—Fred B. Bunch Jr.

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Howard William Hunter

NO. 9080 CLASS OF 1931

Died 1 August 1969 on train near Newark, New Jersey, aged 61 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

PATSY AND I WERE MARRIED on the day after Christmas in 1931, in the Catholic Chapel at West Point, much to our delight and the consternation of our families at the disruption of their Christmas Day festivities by travel.

We sailed off Panama on 7 January 1932 on the old *Chateau Thierry* with a stopover in Puerto Rico. A Major and Mrs. Grant, whom we never met again but have always thought of kindly, entertained us royally. There was a VIP on the ship (although we did not know what that was in those days)—a Richard B. Russell later President Pro Tempore of the U. S. Senate.

Our first Post was Fort Amador where we gained everything of value to us: our understanding of each other, our two wonderful sons, good military training for "Big Pat," the very rugs still on our floors.

Then we had the usual: Fort Barrancas, Florida, to defend the Pensacola Naval Air Station; Fortress Monroe for Coast Artillery School; Fort Kamehameha (again defending the Navy at Pearl Harbor); back to Monroe,

HOWARD WILLIAM HUNTER

and then to the Phil (Engineering) Department at West Point.

Pulled after Pearl Harbor for duty with the Antiaircraft Command in Richmond, Virginia, "Big Pat" spent six months of 1943 as escort officer for a British Battalion of Ack Ack gunners who demonstrated their abilities in camps around the United States.

He took the 571st Antiaircraft AW (SP) Battalion to Europe. He fought with the Ninth Army crossing the Rhine in March 1945 under Marshal Montgomery's "Good Hunting" order. Transferred to the Third Army, he headed straight for the beer factories and celebrated VE Day in Pilsen.

Unfortunately, on the pullback from Czechoslovakia he was involved in a jeep accident. Something cut across his face and deeply into his right eye. He had always intended to spend some time in Paris, but not in a hospital. Evacuated to Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, it was necessary to enucleate his right eye to save the vision in the other.

His mandatory retirement on 30 September 1946 was a very traumatic experience, but he went on to become an expert in his specialty of remedial reading after taking his Master's at the McGuffey Reading Clinic of the University of Virginia.

His principal at Washington and Lee High School wrote that he was an inspiration to the many students who had learning difficulties and guided them with the proper blend of firmness and gentleness. He served in many leadership capacities in the Arlington County School System.

"In all aspects of his conduct and work he displayed the devotion to duty which is so much a part of the military tradition."

—His wife and sons

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George Reynolds Grunert

NO. 9531 CLASS OF 1932

Died 15 November 1969 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, aged 60 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

"COLONEL GRUNERT IS THE BEST all around officer, either British or American, I have ever seen." This statement was made on several occasions by General Slim, Commander of the Fourteenth British Army in Burma to Major General Frank D. Merrill, then the Deputy Theatre Commander of the India-Burma-Theatre. General Merrill, of the famous Merrill's Marauders, duly reported General Slim's tribute in George's official records.

Recognizing that relations between American and British Forces in the Burma-India Theatre were strained and that they were suspicious of and questioned each other's motives, General Slim requested the assignment of three American officers to his staff. George Grunert was one of the three personally selected by General Joseph W. Stilwell for this highly important and sensitive duty. At the time, George had been in the India-Burma Theatre for over a year, having arrived in the summer of 1943. He served first as the G2 of the Chinese Army in India and later as the American liaison officer to the Fourteenth British Army in Burma. In his position as Deputy G2 in General Slim's Headquarters, George was responsible for the coordination of all behind the lines operations in Burma. His outstanding contributions in the field of intelligence contributed immeasurably to the successful conclusion of Allied Campaigns in Burma. For this he received the United States Legion of Merit and the Mention in Despatches Emblem for Distinguished Services by a grateful British Government.

George—better known as Ren by his countless friends—was born on the 18th of November 1908 in Pinar del Rio, Cuba. His father and mother, then First Lieutenant and Mrs. George Grunert, were serving with the 11th Cavalry in the Army of Occupation in Cuba. Typical of the life of an Army Brat, Ren moved many times as a youngster, living at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia; Fairbault, Minnesota (while his father was the Professor of Military Science at Shattuck Military Academy); St. Louis, Missouri, during World War I while his father was serving with the American Expeditionary Force; Fort Dix, New Jersey; and Fort Huachuca, Arizona. He attended New Mexico Military Institute where he first started playing polo. He was appointed to the Military Academy by Senator Ashurst of Arizona and entered West Point 1 July 1927 with the Class of 1931. Mathematics and George had a mutual misunderstanding resulting in his being "found" Plebe Christmas. He successfully passed the

GEORGE REYNOLDS GRUNERT

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re-examination and once again entered the Academy to graduate with the Class of 1932.

During his cadet days George continued to play polo and was Captain of the Polo Team his First Class year, winning both a minor "A" and a Major "A" Hanging on the wall of George's den is a pencil sketch of him on the polo field made by the celebrated artist, Paul Brown. During his final year at the Academy, Ren was made the Regimental Sergeant Major. The 1932 HOWITZER biography ends: " 'Ren' is boning Cavalry, and he will probably end up there. But wherever he goes, the Service will gain a real man."

Although George's first love was the Cavalry, that branch was filled when it was time for him to select, so he turned to his second love—the Infantry. His first assignment was with Company D, 34th Infantry at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland. With other members of his Class, his graduation leave was cut short because a decision was made in Washington that military personnel would not be paid while on leave. Those were the dark days of the Great Depression, and military pay was slashed by fifteen per cent. They were also the days of the countless Agencies created by President Roosevelt to help combat the depression and massive unemployment. Among those agencies was the Civilian Conservation Corps, and George, along with hundreds of other young officers, served for a period of several months with the C.C.C. While at Meade, George attended the Cooks and Bakers School which he thought was somewhat of a lark. He loved to tell of his culinary prowess and how he could make superb tomato soup from spoiled katsup.

In 1934, George transferred to the Cavalry and became a platoon leader in F Troop, 3rd Cavalry at Fort Myer, Virginia. He loved his soldiers, and they in turn loved and respected him. His platoon was always the best in the Troop and in the Squadron. He was an ardent and accomplished horseman who was equally outstanding on the polo field or in the jumping ring.

While stationed at Myer he was seriously injured in an automobile accident near College Park, Maryland, and spent several months in Walter Reed recovering from a severely fractured skull. He delighted in telling that, upon his release from the Hospital, he was given a piece of paper by the psychiatrist that proved he was sane—something that many of his friends could not do. In his last year at Myer he served, in addition to his other military duties, as a White House aide.

In 1937, George went to the Regular Course of the Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas, and upon graduation the following year he was assigned to B Troop, 2d Cavalry, also at Riley. He lived there in a period when legends were made, and many of his old friends will remember the story of Henry the Horse who appeared in his third floor bachelor apartment after George was sound asleep.

In January 1939, Ren moved to Vancouver Barracks, Washington, as Aide-de-Camp and Brigade Adjutant for his father, Brigadier General George Grunert, who was then the Commanding General of the 5th Infantry Brigade. Shortly thereafter General Grunert received his second star and was transferred to the Philippines as Commanding General of the Philippine Department. Ren accompanied his father there and was of inestimable assistance during the period that defense plans for the Philippines were being prepared for the expected attack by the Japanese. In the fall of 1941, General Grunert was ordered to command the newly activated VI Corps in Rhode Island, and he and Ren arrived in San Francisco the day before Pearl Harbor.

On that fateful day of 7 December 1941, Ren immediately requested relief from his duties as Aide. After attending the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth he became G3 of the 2d Cavalry Division at Fort Clark, Texas. He held this demanding assignment until he departed for the India-Burma Theatre in the summer of 1943.

After his return from Burma, George became the Chief of the Intelligence and Counterintelligence Branch of Army Service Forces in Washington, and in July 1946, he was assigned to the newly organized Strategic Service Unit, later designated the Central Intelligence Group. His efficiency reports for this latter period remark on his great ability and the outstanding manner with which he was able to deal with senior officials of the State and War Departments.

In 1947, George was selected to attend the Naval War College and upon graduation in 1948, he was assigned to command the 1st Squadron, 8th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division on Occupation Duty in Japan. Comments of his commanders then include the remarks that were his hallmark throughout his service—"loyal, conscientious, alert, affable, popular, knows his profession." In November of 1949 George became Regimental Executive Officer of the 7th Cavalry—the famous Gary Owen Regiment of the "old" cavalry days. In late May of 1950 he requested an extension of his tour which his commanding officer approved with the statement, "I am delighted to have this officer a member of my command. The appropriate remark in this case would be 'Fight to Get Him!' "

While the 1st Cavalry Division was preparing to leave Japan for combat in Korea, George suffered what was thought to be a mild heart attack. Typical of his dedication to duty and to his country, he insisted upon leaving Tokyo General Hospital to join his Regiment prior to its departure for Korea. He participated in continuous combat and the desperate fighting on the Pusan perimeter. On 22 August 1950, he was found unconscious in a front line foxhole, having suffered a severe heart attack. He was evacuated to the Army Hospital in Japan and was later transferred to Letterman and Brooke. He was retired from the Army on 31 December 1950 and settled in San Antonio.

After a period of recuperation, George worked for several years with a brokerage firm in San Antonio. In January 1965, he married Gracia Brailey Martin of Del Rio, Texas, who gave him great love and affection and the happiest years of his life. She also gave him great strength in the last few months of his life when he fought his most difficult battle of all—his terminal illness.

George is survived by his beloved wife, Gracia, of San Antonio; his son, George McCloy Grunert, a medical student at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston of whom he was always justly and tremendously proud; his father and mother, Lieutenant General (Ret) and Mrs. George Grunert of San Antonio; and his sister, Mrs. Mary Grunert Seaman of Fort Meade, Maryland.

During his eighteen years of active duty, including service in two wars, George added new lustre to the family tradition of outstanding service to the Army and the Country. He leaves behind him a host of friends who will always remember him as a great soldier, a great man, and a loving father and husband.

"May it be said: 'Well Done'."

—J. O. SEAMAN
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Frank Ward Ebey

NO. 9577 CLASS OF 1932

Died 28 January 1970 at Santa Monica, California, aged 62 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

FRANK WARD EBEY

IN A VERY REAL SENSE Frank Ward Ebey never left West Point. He personified what the Point stands for. To put it very simply: he was an honorable man. He always did his duty in the face of pressing hardship and danger. Most important of all, he had great respect for, and love of his beautiful country, America. In every phase of his life and facet of his personality, his greatest love, outside of love of family, was for his country.

Frank's first assignment after graduating from West Point was Fort Huachuca, Arizona. During this time he developed a great love of the West, which was to remain with him throughout his lifetime. Although he knew the history of the Civil War and the Post Civil period intimately, he was familiar with the history of all mankind, as his reading ranged from the Bible to the present Space-Age. It was during this time that he met Fern "little flower" Parker, and on 19 July 1933, they were married in Prescott, Arizona. After tours of duty on Fisher's Island, New York; Corregidor, Philippine Islands; Fort Monroe, Virginia; and Wyoming, the Ebeys were assigned to Hawaii. There, their son John was born 26 June 1940.

Frank's battles and campaigns were Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Central Europe, and Central Pacific. His decorations and citations were the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, the American Defense Service Medal with Foreign Service Clasp, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with five Bronze Battle Stars, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, the French Croix de Guerre with Silver Gilt Star and Bronze Star Medal.

After Frank's retirement from the Army,

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he lived many years in the Middle East, as an engineer for the Arabian American Oil Company. While there he and his family traveled extensively throughout Africa, India, Ceylon, Lebanon, Iran, Iraq, and The Holy Land. Returning to the United States in the late fifties, he was employed as Reliability Engineer for the Ralph M. Parsons Company in Los Angeles, California. A few years later the Ebeys left Brentwood for the country life in the Pacific Palisades. Our Frank was an artist, a poet, a musician, a golfer, and a writer. He loved playing the piano and singing his favorite West Point songs. His writings consisted mostly of stories about the Old Army in the West, which were published by *Adventure, Argosy,* and *True* magazines. His adventure novel, with Saudi Arabia as a background, is now in the hands of his agent.

Things were never dull when Frank was around, and there will never be another like him. He was an individualist and especially enjoyed being with children and dogs. His great sense of humor and easy going style encouraged people from every walk of life to accept him as a true friend. The last six years of his life in the Palisades were perhaps Frank's happiest. He made close friendships with his neighbors on Aderno and Arno Way, with the gentleman with whom he rode the "Brief Case Special" to downtown Los Angeles, and his foursome for golf at the Riviera Country Club. He loved baseball and also enjoyed the boat races, where he often acted as Navigator for his friends. But his greatest delight was walking his beloved beagle, "Alfie," near the ocean.

A tragic, unfortunate aneurism operation was the cause of death at the Santa Monica Hospital. This wonderful, kind, deeply religious, gentle man who devoted himself so completely to his family, to his profession, to his friends and to his God and Country will be deeply and lastingly missed by all those who knew and loved him.

Frank is survived by his wife Fern, of 360 Aderno Way, Pacific Palisades, California, and son John of Westwood Village, California.

We who are left behind salute our dear Frank, with love and admiration, as he takes his proper place of honor in the Long Gray Line, which "stretches through the years of a century told."

—John Grant Ebey
son

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Earl Francis Signer

NO. 9861 CLASS OF 1933

Died 9 January 1970 in Omaha, Nebraska, aged 59 years.

Interment: Mount Carmel Cemetery, Hillside, Illinois

EARL FRANCIS SIGNER was born on 18 February 1910 in Primrose, Nebraska, one of seven children born to Albert and Catherine Signer, three of whom died in infancy. When Earl was two, his father purchased a farm, and the family moved east to the town of Ericson, Nebraska. Here he spent the remainder of his boyhood. He graduated from Wheeler County High School at Bartlett in May 1928 after attending high school at Ericson for three years. While in high school, he took part in baseball, basketball, and track, and debated one year. He attended the University of Nebraska before entering West Point.

EARL FRANCIS SIGNER

Upon graduation he was detailed in the Air Corps for flying training at Randolph Field, San Antonio, Texas. He graduated 15 October 1934 from the Advanced Flying School, Kelly Field, Texas, and was then assigned to Luke Field, Honolulu, Hawaii.

He was married to Georgia E. Hynes of New York City, New York, on 18 February 1935 in Honolulu, Hawaii. Four children were born to this marriage. Earl F. Jr., a graduate of Colgate University, is married and living in Downers Grove, Illinois. He has three daughters. He is presently employed at the home offices of Sears, Roebuck & Company in Chicago. William, an engineer for Zenith Corporation in Chicago, graduated from Purdue University and received a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He is unmarried and resides in Harwood Heights, Illinois. Mary Anne graduated from St. Theresa's College in Winona, Minnesota, and now resides in Oak Park, Illinois. She is employed by the American Bank and Trust Company of Chicago. Charles is a junior at Northern Illinois University and makes his home in Oak Park. Georgia died after a long illness on 16 October 1956 at which time they were residing in Elmwood Park, Illinois.

In 1937, Earl was assigned to Scott Field, Belleville, Illinois. He was on general flying duty, operating all types of Army planes; and in 1938, was assigned to Kelly Field as an Instructor in Pursuit Aviation.

On 12 May 1939, he suffered a serious injury to his right leg in a gun accident while in Nebraska. This resulted in a hospitalization of three and one-half years, much of which time was spent in body casts. Earl fought a courageous battle to save his leg. He was hospitalized at Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas. In June 1941, he was transferred to Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington for a bone graft which was necessary to bring about a bony union in the leg. The end result of his injury was a stiff knee. Upon his release from Walter Reed Hospital on 19 October 1942, he was assigned to the Army Air Force Materiel Center, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, for duty in the Production Division. He was ordered to Walter Reed General Hospital in August 1943 for an operation to eliminate the stiffness in his knee. The operation proved unsuccessful, and as a consequence he was ordered home to await retirement. He was retired for physical disability on 1 September 1944, as a Lieutenant Colonel.

On 11 September 1944, he was employed by Sears Roebuck & Company, pursuing a very successful career with the company. After a short time spent in New York, he was transferred to the main offices of the company in Chicago where he became a buyer in the Housewares Department. He held the position of Merchandise Controller of the Repair Parts Department at the time of his retirement from the company on 31 January 1969.

On 27 July 1961, Earl married Irene Harris of Oak Park, Illinois. Irene was a widow with two children: Margaret, who is now Mrs. Donald Wood of Wheaton, Illinois, and Robert of Harvey, Illinois.

Irene and Earl were extremely compatible, and their marriage was a very happy one. They shared many common interests including a love of travel. They sailed to Europe in 1962 on the *United States*—toured ten countries during a month's stay in Europe and returned home from Paris via Air France. A later trip took them to Portugal, Spain, Africa, and Majorca. In 1969, they flew to Hawaii—Earl's first trip back to the islands since he had been there in 1935-37. They spent many vacations touring the different sections of the United States.

1966 saw a dream come true for Earl. He obtained his Private Pilot's License and purchased a Beechcraft Bonanza. Later he obtained an Instrument Rating. Flying had always been a great love for him, and it was the realization of a great dream to be flying again after twenty-seven years and to own his plane. Irene shared his enthusiasm for flying and was attending ground school and taking flying lessons with the goal of obtaining her Private Pilot's License at the time when Earl became ill prior to his death. Together they shared the joy of travel by private airplane and had flown on many trips about the country, as well as to the Bahamas and to Monterrey, Mexico.

Following his retirement from Sears, the Signers sold their home in Elmwood Park, Illinois, and moved to Burwell, Nebraska. It was Earl's love of what he called the "BIG SKIES" and the "BIG COUNTRY" which prompted them to make the move. It was a big change for a "city girl," but Irene soon adjusted to life in a small town and found it very interesting. The country offered so many things which Earl had missed while living in a big city. There was hunting, fishing, and, of course, an airport five minutes from their home. They found that they could fly back to Chicago to visit the children and relatives in just three hours. Their many friends and relatives who came up to visit them were very impressed with the pretty countryside, and it was Earl's great joy to take them flying over the countryside to see the beauty of the wide open spaces.

Earl became ill in December 1969 and was sent to Clarkson Hospital in Omaha to have x-rays and tests made to diagnose his condition. He was told to return in three weeks for comparative x-rays and further tests. He returned to the hospital on 7 January and his condition became rapidly worse. He passed away unexpectedly on 9 January 1970 of a very rare lung disease.

As one recalls, Earl Signer or "Rev" (short for "The Right Reverend") as he was affectionately known in his cadet days, it brings back many, many pleasant memories. There was probably no member of the Class of Thirty-three who courted adversity with

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greater nonchalance and handled it with more debonair expertise than did Rev. Who has forgotten his never ending battle with the Tactical Department and particularly the year that he survived many months with less than ten demerits to go to foundation. Thoughout the trying interim all his close friends were more worried than he. In fact, my recollection is that he thoroughly enjoyed the challenge and thrived on the inner satisfaction that he knew he would be victorious in the end. When he finished with a demerit or so to spare, he seemed almost chagrined that he had not ended up even with the boards. He had the rare aptitude of knowing how to relax and enjoy it until it was necessary to really put out, and then he could marshal his forces efficiently and inspiringly accomplish what had to be done. Throughout it all, he never lost his tremendous sense of humor best expressed by that cheerful grin that was perennially in evidence.

This same cheerful manner and sense of humor was evident during his active flying years in the Air Corps. Major General Fay R. Upthegrove, who served with Rev at Luke Field in Hawaii, along with R. J. Meyer and Milt Summerfelt, recalled these same characteristics along with love of hunting and fishing and his skill in any form of marksmanship. Above all, he recalled that Earl loved flying; even flying the old O-19s until they were declared unsafe and replaced by B-12s.

Throughout Rev's long hospitalization and retirement he was determined that some day he would return to flying, and this he did by starting all over shortly before his subsequent retirement from Sears. He never lost contact with his classmates or friends from the Academy. While living in Chicago he and Matt Kane remained close, steadfast friends, and until Matt's death they would always combine forces, when they were alerted that any visiting classmate might be in the vicinity, to provide an open door latch, complete with food and grog and an evening of genuine friendship. Throughout the intervening years of the contact with his classmates, the only complaint Rev ever manifested was the fact that misfortune had curtailed his military career. His heart never left the service of his country.

Funeral services were held in Elmhurst, Illinois, and the Mass was said in Visitation Church by the Pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Burwell, Nebraska, who traveled to Chicago to conduct the services for one of his parishioners and his friend. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery, in Hillside, Illinois.

—Irene Signer and Hurly Hurlbut

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Fred Earl Ressegieu

NO. 10742 CLASS OF 1937

Died 11 November 1969 in an airplane crash near Wabush, Labrador, aged 56 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

A CRASH OF A JET AIRCRAFT while attempting a landing at Wabush, Labrador, in the early evening of 11 November 1969, tragically and instantly ended the life of one of the finest men and patriots of the Class of 1937.

Fred grew up in Sioux City, Iowa, where an aunt was his guiding light in the absence of his deceased parents. As one would expect, he excelled in school as he also did in

FRED EARL RESSEGIEU

the Iowa National Guard which provided his appointment to West Point.

At the Academy Fred adjusted readily to the new life and promptly demonstrated his academic prowess. One reading of the text would establish the principles which he would skillfully apply thereafter. He was always on the star list and graduated seventh in his Class.

According to his roommate, Fred regretted that he was not more athletic, but he made up for this by becoming manager of the baseball team and by participation in other activities such as the Honor Committee and the *Pointer* staff. Another recognition of his leadership ability was his selection to be Sergeant while a Second Classman and then Lieutenant as a First Classman. Fred's roommate described his strongest characteristics as kindness, forthrightness, and respect for another's opinion.

At graduation Fred chose the Corps of Engineers for which he was eminently qualified, and on his first assignment he received full exposure to the construction business in the Los Angeles District. As usual, Fred excelled and, prior to his departure for graduate work at Cornell, his commanding officer announced to an assemblage that he considered Fred to be a superior officer—and that he was—from the start.

World War II found Fred in Europe where one of his proudest moments as Commanding Officer, 22d Engineers, 5th Armored Division came when the division liberated Paris.

After the war came time to catch up on military schooling—and also to meet and marry Virginia Traeger, to whom he was devoted for the rest of his life.

Fred was honored by choice assignments, and he and Ginny enjoyed a tour in Canada where he was U. S. Engineer representative to the Canadian Army; a tour as District Engineer in St. Louis; and a tour in Washington with the Office, Chief, Research and Development.

In 1958, Fred decided that he would leave the Army which he loved so much to accept the challenge of civil life. He joined the Bechtel Corporation, starting out in the missile and space field and rising rapidly until he became a Vice President of Canadian Bechtel and General Manager of Acres-Canadian Bechtel, which position he held at the time of his death. He was responsible for the design and construction of one of the largest hydroelectric projects ever conceived.

One of Fred's classmates said: "Fred was a right guy—no bluster, no fuss. He believed in the right, and for this he would fight. And right to him meant love, home, his children, and his country." Much more can be said. He loved his friends—just as they loved him. He was loyal to the Army just as he was later loyal to his company in civil life. He was a just, honest, and respected man who was proud of the heritage that was his as a graduate of West Point. He is a proud addition to The Long Gray Line.

Fred was buried on 17 November 1969, at West Point, with full military honors. He is back at the Point which he loved and served so well.

Fred is survived by his wife Virginia, a step-daughter Catherine, a son James H., and a host of friends. All of us have suffered a great loss. May his soul rest in peace.

—A Friend and Classmate

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Frederick John Dooley

NO. 10999 CLASS OF 1937

Died 22 July 1969 in Silver Spring, Maryland, aged 55 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"THE FIRST THOUGHT we have of Fred is that of his unfailing cheerful nature, of his penetrating smile, and of his spontaneous wit—he positively radiates good fellowship and humor. But his character goes much deeper. Never one to broadcast his application; yet, we know that underneath his external success lies sincere and persevering work. This outer congeniality, contagious in its breadth, coupled with his inner sincerity, has gained for him a host of true friends." These words from the 1937 HOWITZER summed up how Fred's classmates felt about him. They also reflect the sentiments of all of Fred's many friends throughout his lifetime.

The best obituary for Fred that I, his wife Marion, can write is to quote his own words. For his Twenty-fifth Class Reunion, celebrated in June 1962, Fred wrote the following: "At times it seemed as though I came from the Naval Academy! My first port of call upon graduation was Governor's Is-

FREDERICK JOHN DOOLEY

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land in New York Harbor. The location, however, was ideal with only a five cent subway charge to Times Square. Remember When? Three years later I was assigned to Panama, Canal Zone (another port!) where I remained until the outbreak of World War II. From Panama, I was sent (you guessed it) to the Galapagos Islands. It was there that I was to learn at first hand as to why Darwin chose this place for his studies on 'The Origin of the Species.' On return to the States, I was assigned to Miami Beach for over three years, but who can kick at that?

"In 1949, I resigned and attended Georgetown University Law School, worked for International Business Machine four years, and I am now in Real Estate, selling property in Maryland, Virginia, and D. C.

"I'm married to the former Marion Meehan (ANC) from *up* upstate New York, i.e. Malone, New York. We have no children, but we do have, as is usual with bird owners, the two most beautiful parakeets in the world. One is named Chico (blue and white) and the other Cookie (green and yellow).

"As to vital statistical changes, I now have a few gray spots, weigh about forty more pounds, and wear eye glasses—but outside of that, it really doesn't seem like twenty-five years!"

On Tuesday, 22 July 1969, Fred died suddenly of acute coronary occlusion. In accordance with his wishes, he was buried at West Point on 25 July 1969. Fred is back at the Academy that he loved so well. May his cheerful soul rest in peace.

—Signed with Love,
Marion M. Dooley

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John Brereton Bestic

NO. 11578 CLASS OF 1939

Died 6 December 1969 in Tucumcari, New Mexico, aged 54 years.

Interment: Corona del Mar, California

JOHN BRERETON BESTIC, Class of '39, died the morning of 6 December 1969 in the crash of his light plane just short of the field at Tucumcari, New Mexico—power loss at 700 feet, stall, and that is all she wrote.

If you had the opportunity of reading, as I did, the notes of concern and grief that arrived at his home in Newport Beach, California, on the coast below Los Angeles, you would no doubt have been impressed, as I was, by the cross section represented by the people concerned and by their testimony to the impression that Jack's crossing their paths had made in their lives. So what was his contribution to history? Is there a Bestic Diode or a Bestic Transistor Slicer? No. But he was the type of original thinker, organizer, perfectionist and catalyst that causes someone like General LeMay, whose Strategic Air Command depended so heavily on communications, to list Jack as his number one communicator and to keep in touch to the point of being one of the pall bearers at Jack's funeral on the hill overlooking Newport Beach and Catalina Island.

Jack started in the Signal Corps, spent World War II with the Fifth Air Force in the Pacific and besides his Strategic Air Command assignment was Deputy Director of Defense Communications Agency culminating nine years in the D. C. area, and was wearing two stars and Commander of Electronics Systems Division at Hanscom Field near Boston when he retired. His awards included the Legion of Merit and one cluster. Although he had no personal contact with the enemy during World War II, I was with him when Japanese paratroopers censored his mail at Leyte and others raided his garbage can at Clark Field, Philippine Islands. That is some of his life and times in history, but Jack did not associate himself with history. He personified the implementation of "The past is prologue." When he was killed, he was returning from a consulting stint in D. C. Incidentally, he had six thousand hours in his light plane—instrument rating and multi-engine license. He had been somewhat between jobs, having been one of the three organizers of a think tank, Macro Systems Associates, in which he described his position as "mother hen" and from which he had recently placed himself on sabbatical as part of a "retrenching while developing" action he had initiated. The consulting for several firms was a semi-sideline which he enjoyed but not as a full time pursuit.

JOHN BRERETON BESTIC

Jack was born in Fargo, North Dakota, in August 1915 and attended the University of Minnesota for a year before going to the Military Academy. Chuck Medinnis, also of 1939, U. S. Military Academy, started his lifelong association with Jack as a classmate at the University of Minnesota, but Jack's most important classmate at Minnesota was, you guessed it, Francey. Francey catered shamelessly to Jack, and he revelled in it; but he also learned to swiftly back off when catering reached its elastic limit. They raised three fine boys: John, who is a Captain in the Air Force and has two boys of his own; Phil, a Lieutenant in the Air Force; and Jeff, about to start his last year at Rollins College in Florida.

Jack was a dedicated jogger. I have jogged the daily mile with him along Paul Revere's Battle Road, along the Bow River in Banff, B. C., and numerous places in between. He was, in fact, dedicated to everything he undertook, and loaded with a nervous intenseness that my type of humor, or effrontery, was able to relieve—which was part of the bond between us.

Jack had a burning love for California; and retiring here had been a must for years. We think it a shame he was here enjoying it for such a short time; but of course it is our loss and not his that prompts the thought. He would be the last to sympathize with our grieving and letting his untimely departure rain on our parade. His letter to Francey, "To be opened on my death," ended: "Have fun." But there is a spot out here on the West Coast that is never going to be filled, and I doubt that we will ever quit saying: "Jack would have liked that," or "Can't you see Jack reacting to that?" Because he was one of a kind and his quality of uniqueness put his stamp on what he did and how he did it, so there will always be the unsaid word and the untaken act that we can not supply and will represent his presence among us till we meet again.

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Philip Shaw Wood Jr.

NO. 12775 CLASS OF 1942

Lost returning from an air mission over Austria 17 March 1944 (DED 2 August 1945), aged 23 years.

PHILIP SHAW WOOD, "Phil," a good roommate and a truly fine man. As a Plebe, Phil was never in trouble in academics, tactics, or with the upper classes. He always turned on his phonograph as soon as he returned from reveille. All shaving and room police were conducted to the rhythm of the latest recording. Classes he seemed to breeze through with ease, with an especial flair for French. Athletics were done as a requirement, not as truly desired as the old Red Comforter.

As Spring bloomed, a malady or fever gripped him that I later came to recognize and named "Maine Fever." It was time for him to dream of Maine and happy holidays in West Gouldsboro with lobster, sailing, and the companionship of his family, a "Downeaster" at heart. Beginning in Plebe Spring, he began building a model of a boat he dreamed of sailing. She was a cutter rig about ten inches long with each part meticulously turned out by hand with loving care. As the winter began, she was put away until the next spring, and the bout with "Maine Fever" began. She was never truly finished to Phil's full satisfaction for presentation to his father. He dearly loved the green forest, rocky coasts, and cold, restless waters of Maine.

PHILIP SHAW WOOD JR.

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Summer Camp and Yearling Year saw the same ease of academics with pretty "drags" to brighten the weekends' hopping. Somehow, he always seemed to know an inexhaustible supply of pretty femmes. Yearling Furlo brought a change to Phil that surprised us all, and it began the day he returned to barracks. That very day, before he had even finished unpacking his footlocker from storage, he dashed off into the hills for his first cross-country run. There was to be no more drill with the old Red Comforter every afternoon, but the grim hard driving of a cross-country runner of just one more step in front of another up one more hill to climb. The change from a relaxed, no-strain life to the demanding regimen of cross-country running was a dramatic switch for all of us who knew him. Life seemed to have developed a lot more purpose.

Then, somehow the love of sailing and the drive of his running seemed to coalesce into a desire to fly. "Cow" Year Phil's graduation goal became a set of pilot's wings. From then on, all spare energies, outside running, and academics were devoted to learning all he could of flying. Academics continued a breeze; pretty girls were dragged for fun and laughs, but the goal never changed. With singleness of purpose, he moved toward the Army Air Force. Upon graduation into the Army Air Force with happiness in the challenges met and flying to his heart's content, he earned his wings.

After training with a B-24 squadron, he moved with it to Europe and the culmination of the many arduous, long hours of training to perfect himself and his crew. They were delivering the heavy loads of bombs over long distances, straining men and machines to the limit of capability through the black puffs of flak onto target. During a raid on Vienna his ship took hits they thought survivable. However, as they headed back, somewhere in the vicinity of the junction of Italy, Yugoslavia, and the Adriatic, his ship dropped out of the formation and went down. Nothing has ever been found. He went on to another squadron to fly with so many of our classmates—Guckeyson, Waddell, Costain, and the host of other gallant members of '42 who paid the price 'neath a soldier's blow.

His parents, Colonel (Ret) and Mrs. Philip S. Wood, now sail and fish in the summer in West Gouldsboro, Maine, and in Florida in the winter.

There is a Bronze Issue Marker mounted on a native boulder in Phil's beloved Maine dedicated to his memory.

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Barton Kyle Yount Jr.

NO. 13349 CLASS OF JANUARY 1943

Died 25 February 1969 at Torrejon Air Base, Spain, aged 49 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

BARTON KYLE YOUNT JR. was born in San Diego, California, on 21 June 1919, the son of Mildred and Barton K. Yount Sr. His early days were spent at various Army Air Corps posts where he developed a deep respect for his country and the military services. His mother and father were pioneers in the Army Air Corps, later the Air Force. His father developed the largest Air Force Training Command during World War II. His mother

BARTON KYLE YOUNT JR.

was instrumental in the selection and adoption of the Air Force song. Bart was determined to follow in his father's footsteps, and he studied his way into the Academy via Millard Preparatory School. He had the usual difficult Plebe Year perhaps gaining a little extra upper class visibility due to his prominent military family. However, his dogged determination never allowed him to falter in his desire to graduate from the Academy. He was an outstanding golfer and played on the West Point Golf Team from Plebe Year onward.

In addition to his golf, Bart was known for his beautiful dates. He was always extremely generous with his classmates and could be counted on to share his wide circle of acquaintances.

Bart applied himself well to academics and never had any real trouble with his grades. He would always help a classmate, when asked, in those subjects in which he did well.

When World War II broke out, Bart existed on rumors of early graduation. He was eager to get out into the thick of things. After completing basic flying training his First Class summer, he looked forward to graduation in January 1943 so he could do his part instead of just studying for the part. In early 1943, after completing advanced training at Sumter, South Carolina, he married Lucy Hampton Haskell Barriger before going on to B-29 transition. Bart and Lucy had two fine sons, Barton and Victor.

During World War II Bart flew thirty B-29 missions from the Marianas. He participated in the first B-29 mission over Japan. From the 9th to the 15th of March 1945, Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka, and Kobe were all attacked. Details of his heroic actions in the attack on Tokyo were printed in *Newsweek* magazine, and he received the Distinguished Flying Cross for these missions.

Bart's first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross was received for action on 15 February 1945 for the following cited action: "Adverse weather conditions made squadron assembly impossible, and most of the aircraft selected the target of opportunity (secondary target); however, Lieutenant Yount was determined to accomplish his assigned mission, and he attacked the primary target alone. Despite heavy fighter opposition he successfully bombed the primary target, the Mitsubishi Aircraft Engine Works at Nagoya."

On his thirtieth mission on June 1945, Bart's aircraft lost two engines and all four bomb bay doors malfunctioned. He had to ditch the aircraft with bomb bay doors open into a sea of swells from seven to ten feet high. This feat was accomplished so successfully that all of the twelve occupants of the aircraft escaped. After the ditching, he demonstrated exceptional leadership by personal example, establishing a system of rationing and assuring that injured crew men were looked after and made comfortable on the overcrowded raft. Not mentioned in the citation was the fact that Bart returned to the sinking aircraft to get another raft that failed to jettison with the full knowledge that should the aircraft sink he would be sucked down with the sinking B-29. For this heroic action Bart received his second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross. Thereafter he was medically evacuated to the United States as his ear drums had burst during the descent for ditching.

After the war, Bart graduated from Georgetown University Law School and received an LLB degree in 1950. He was admitted to the D.C. Bar in 1951. During the early 1950's, he served in the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force.

After his Pentagon duty, he served in Spain as Chief, Plans and Negotiations Division, Joint United States Military Group, from 1953 to 1958. He was responsible for drafting and negotiating twenty procedural agreements with the Spanish Authorities concerning our base rights in that country. He capably projected the need for U. S. Economic/Military Assistance in Spain, the timing of the construction of facilities and the areas where technical agreements were needed to spell out the coordination of United States Activities and those of the host country. Bart was personable, calm, and tactful in his dealings with Spanish officials, and together with his wife Lucy won the esteem of the Spanish associates as genuine Americans interested in the well-being and progress of all free people. He was awarded the Legion of Merit for this service.

In 1963, after another tour in the Pentagon where he served in both the Offices of the Secretaries of the Air Force and Defense, Bart returned to Spain for the second time at the request of the Chief Joint United States Military Command. His wise counsel and guidance were instrumental in negotiating the Status of Forces Agreement between the United States and Spain.

Bart retired after a meningitis attack in 1967 and made his home in Spain. While organizing a Spanish feeder airline, he was again stricken by meningitis. The loan for the airline was approved. However, Bart never recovered, it being God's will that his contributions to his family, Air Force, and Country be concluded here on earth.

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Andre George Broumas

NO. 19571 CLASS OF 1954

Died 3 September 1969 in Vietnam, (hostile action), aged 37 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"ANOTHER DAY IN WHICH TO EXCEL!" Andre said this many times, to his men, to his contemporaries, even to his family. He said it

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ANDRE GEORGE BROUMAS

at times, as many of us have, in a humorous way. Yet these words were more to him than a cliche, and their reiteration had a purpose. To Andre, they were a simple but precise way of expressing his philosophy of life; and although these words were spoken to others, they more often were self-directed.

Complementing Andre's goal of excellence was his lifelong desire to be a career soldier. These ambitions were nurtured and supported by his brother John, who was most influential in guiding Andre's development from the age of five, when his Mother died, until adulthood. His youthful experiences led Andre to become a perfectionist. He wanted to excel in all things, not necessarily for the adulation that success and excellence bring, but more for self-improvement. Andre always believed in setting high goals and then striving to reach them. One of his many goals at West Point was to be Coach Palone's best soccer player. This he never achieved, and this he knew he could never achieve; but he realized that trying for the unattainable would make him a better player.

Andre wanted to be the best husband and father; yet, he also was motivated to be the perfect professional soldier. Despite the competing demands of these goals, he succeeded as husband, father, and soldier. The mutual affection among Andre, his wife Gene, and their children Margaret, Jamie, and Andre Jr., reflected the strength of his commitment to family.

Andre excelled as a friend, notwithstanding an ambivalent personality. To use the language of the department at West Point in which he taught, he was dynamic, with an intensity that at times was nearly overpowering. But he was as intense in his friendships as he was at work, and from this came the most meaningful of the many attractions of Andre Broumas—his complete unselfishness toward those who were close to him. He was thoughtful, kind, and appreciative, seemingly without limit. He was warm and sincere with boundless good humor. The goals he set in making and keeping friends were as high as those he set for himself as a soldier, and his capacity for deep and lasting friendships touched both military and civilian communities. Sharing the remembrance of Andre are many civilian friends: German villagers from a tour in Dexheim; Danish and American scientists from duty at Camp Century, Greenland; faculty and undergraduates from his graduate student days at Princeton; Department of State officials from a tour in their operations center; and soccer enthusiasts at all his duty stations.

Andre excelled as a professional soldier, and an explanation of his success requires more than recitation of early promotions, decorations, and honors. One example will illustrate. A classmate recalls visiting Andre and Gene at West Point while Andre was teaching in the Department of Mechanics. He attended one of Andre's classes, which had taken on more than usual significance. The Secretary of the Army was visiting West Point that day and Andre's class had been selected as the show class. Even though for some last minute reason the Secretary did not attend, Andre was both honored and challenged by the selection of his class, and his performance that day was perfect. Here was a pattern so often repeated—the challenge sought or earned, followed by near faultless execution. This pattern portrayed the man and portended great achievement, which, for reasons unknown to us, was not to be completely fulfilled.

Andre excelled in his last assignment as he had done throughout his military service. He had returned to Vietnam to rejoin the 8th Engineer Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, this time as its Commander. In explaining his desire to go back to Vietnam, Andre spoke of the training and experience the Army had provided him during his career. He felt a compulsion to share that experience in leading our young citizen-soldiers. It was not that Andre was seeking, as another soldier once remarked, the last bullet in the last battle; he enjoyed life far too much for that. But neither was he restrained by the risks attendant with combat, for he had faced death before—throughout a severe illness while on the faculty at West Point and during his first Vietnam tour. And so both duty and courage marked Andre's return to Vietnam where five months later he died as his command helicopter was downed by enemy fire.

Andre Broumas was a man of unlimited drive, great force, and pervasive spirit. He possessed an intensive religious faith, not limited to the Greek Orthodox tenets he practiced but extending to a belief in the inherent goodness of man. These deep attributes of character combined to make Andre a natural leader; and his death while commanding an exceptional unit in combat is perhaps the only comprehensible part of this great loss of one who stood so high in integrity, in devotion to duty and family, and in service to his Country.

At Andre's funeral, so appropriately conducted at West Point, the eulogy was given by Command Sergeant Major Salazar, who had served with Andre during both of his tours in the 8th Engineer Battalion. Several thoughts from this eulogy summarize the feelings of the troops whose respect he valued so highly.

—"By his nature he was interested in people—be it the General, the Chief of Staff, his company commanders, his NCOs, all his men. I am positive that he, more than anybody else in the Battalion, knew more troopers by name, by rank, what their jobs were, and how long they had been in the Battalion."

—"His Motto was 'Take Care of the Troops First!' "

—"He was impatient with excuses and proud of results."

—"In my heart I will always carry that proud feeling of having known him and having served him—Lord, take care of his soul, he tried so hard to do what is right."

—E. C. K.
J. M. M.
J. F. R.

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James Stephen Hughes

NO. 24694 CLASS OF 1963

Died 31 January 1968 at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California, aged 26 years.

Interment: St. Joseph's Cemetery
San Pablo, California

UPON HIS RETURN FROM VIETNAM in November 1966, Jim Hughes was assigned as an Assistant Professor of Military Science at the University of California at Santa Barbara. It was there in September 1967 that he suffered injuries in a highway accident which resulted in his death at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, in January 1968.

Jim was born in Oakland on 28 September 1941, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold V. Hughes. Throughout his life he had a strong affection for his home state. Wherever he moved through his service career, his mind was never far from the mountains and shores of California. A natural athlete, he participated vigorously in outdoor activities.

In July 1959, following his graduation from St. Mary's College High School in Berkeley, he entered West Point. His quick mind easily mastered the academics offered through the four years, and he gave generously of his time to help others who had difficulty. He distinguished himself as a member of the Corps Squad Swimming Team and, in the swimming off-season, was a tremendous asset to the Company F-2 intramural teams.

Upon his graduation in 1963, Jim was commissioned in the Infantry and assigned to the 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg. Prior to his arrival, he completed the Airborne and Ranger Schools at Fort Benning. His assignment with the 82d was marked by his constant attention to self-discipline and his unswerving care for his men.

He first served in the 82d as a rifle platoon leader with A Company of the 1st Airborne Battle Group, 187th Infantry. He quickly adjusted to the responsibility, training requirements, and rigid discipline of tactical

JAMES STEPHEN HUGHES

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airborne operations, and he became one of the few in the division to receive the Expert Infantryman Badge. His innate leadership qualities led to his assignment as the Reconnaissance Platoon Leader with the 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry. In November 1964, he was assigned as the Assistant S3 of his battalion, a position he held for the remainder of his tour. During a portion of this period Jim served as Operations Officer and won the high personal regard of his Battalion Commander, who later wrote that he did an outstanding job, always showing a sense of perception and responsibility beyond his years and experience.

As a staff officer he was instrumental in providing timely and accurate information and recommendations for all airborne drops. It was in this capacity that he served his battalion well as it moved into combat on 30 April 1965 in the Dominican Republic. In this, the ultimate test of a unit's readiness, Jim's efficient efforts continued to produce the outstanding results essential for successful combat operations. He was recognized for his outstanding performance by the award of the Bronze Star Medal. Upon his departure from the 82d in 1965, he received the Army Commendation Medal.

Even though he had recently returned from a combat zone, his sincere desire to serve led him to volunteer for a tour in Vietnam. Late in November 1965, he arrived in the Republic of Vietnam and was assigned to the 35th ARVN Ranger Battalion as the Assistant Battalion Advisor in the III Corps Area. A few months later he was reassigned as Senior Advisor to the 31st ARVN Ranger Battalion. Throughout his one-year tour in Vietnam, he worked diligently with the ARVN Rangers to create more effective and capable units.

His continual efforts and advice in civic action and combat operations were deeply admired by the Vietnamese, and a firm mutual respect developed between him and his counterparts. He was awarded the Air Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnamese Service Medal, the Vietnamese Campaign Medal, and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Bronze Star.

Jim was greatly admired by all who knew him. He possessed the quality which can best be described as easy-going yet enthusiastic and energetic. This combination is difficult to equal and provided him with a satisfying career.

He had a wonderful zest for life. He was a great friend to everyone, a greater classmate, and an outstanding Army officer. We sincerely miss him.

—A Friend and Classmate

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John Alexander Hottell III

NO. 24930 CLASS OF 1964

Died 7 July 1970 in Vietnam, aged 27 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

JOHN ALEXANDER HOTTELL III was born 24 December 1942 in Louisville, Kentucky, and he died on 7 July 1970 in an aircraft accident in Vietnam. Between these events, there was little that was commonplace in his life, whether with his Army family in Germany and Japan, or at West Point, or as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, or in leading the First Cavalry Division soldiers that he loved. He

JOHN ALEXANDER HOTTELL III

shared this life with John and Helen, and with his cherished Linda Brown, and through a massive correspondence with devoted friends who grasped at understanding this seeming meteor, flashing into and beyond their lives. He probed this life in a ten-year journal of his thoughts and, finally, in a premonitory letter to his wife, written in event of his death in Vietnam. In this, he wrote: "I am writing my own obituary for several reasons, and I hope none of them are too trite. First, I would like to spare my friends, who may happen to read this, the usual cliches about being a good soldier. They were all kind enough to me, and I not enough to them. Second, I would not want to be a party to perpetuation of an image that is harmful and inaccurate: 'glory' is the most meaningless of concepts, and I feel that in some cases it is doubly damaging. And thirdly, I am quite simply the last authority on my own death.

"I loved the Army: it reared me, it nurtured me, and it gave me the most satisfying years of my life. Thanks to it I have lived an entire lifetime in 26 years. It is only fitting that I should die in its service. We all have but one death to spend, and insofar as it can have any meaning it finds it in the service of comrades-in-arms.

"And yet, I deny that I died FOR anything —not my Country, not my Army, not my fellow man, none of these things. I LIVED for these things, and the manner in which I chose to do it involved the very real chance that I would die in the execution of my duties. I knew this, and accepted it, but my love for West Point and the Army was great enough—and the promise that I would someday be able to serve all the ideals that meant anything to me through it was great enough—for me to accept this possibility as a part of a price which must be paid for all things of great value. If there is nothing worth dying for—in this sense—there is nothing worth living for.

"The Army let me live in Japan, Germany, and England with experiences in all of these places that others only dream about. I have skiied in the Alps, killed a scorpion in my tent camping in Turkey, climbed Mount Fuji, visited the ruins of Athens, Ephesus, and Rome, seen the town of Gordium where another Alexander challenged his destiny, gone to the Opera in Munich, plays in the West End of London, seen the Oxford-Cambridge rugby match, gone for pub crawls through the Cotswolds, seen the night-life in Hamburg, danced to the Rolling Stones, and earned a master's degree in a foreign university. I have known what it is like to be married to a fine and wonderful woman and to love her beyond bearing with the sure knowledge that she loves me; I have commanded a company and been a father, priest, income-tax advisor, confessor, and judge for 200 men at one time; I have played college football and rugby, won the British national Diving Championship two years in a row, boxed for Oxford against Cambridge only to be knocked out in the first round and played handball to distraction—and all of these sports I loved, I learned at West Point. They gave me hours of intense happiness. I have been an exchange student at the German Military Academy, and gone to the German Jumpmaster school, I have made thirty parachute jumps from everything from a balloon in England to a jet at Fort Bragg. I have written an article that was published in *Army* magazine, and I have studied philosophy.

"I have experienced all these things because I was in the Army and because I was an Army brat. The Army is my life, it is such a part of what I was that what happened is the logical outcome of the life I lived. I never knew what it is to fail, I never knew what it is to be too old or too tired to do anything. I lived a full life in the Army, and it has exacted the price. It is only just."

It is just, but only when tempered by the rich legacy which Alex left to those who adventured with him. Those who rode in the 1934 Rolls Royce with the silver lady afore, those who heard him play guitar with "The Pooh" in the London clubs, those who argued with his selection of surrealist paintings, those who feared for his safety in sports, those who fought with him when he won the Silver Stars. And those who read his letters and studied his journals, where he described with great compassion the men and women whose lives he touched. He wrote of Major General George Casey, with whom he died: "He is imaginative, aggressive, charming and has a more complete grasp of the complex missions that confront the American division commander than I would have thought possible. It will be almost a religious experience for me to serve with the Cav when this man commands it." Of his soldiers in Vietnam: "They will do anything even though they feel that life and society have dumped all over them; they can still drive on and fight like demons, march like Jackson, and soldier like the very dickens when they have to . it fills me with inspiration. They are truly the great people of this war . the forgotten civilians who will probably never receive their due for their valor on the fields of battle."

Andre Malraux has observed that men are distinguished as much by the forms their memories take as by their characters. In his journals, his letters, and his written summary of a full life, Alex revealed the memories of the man of greatness. We ultimately glorify—in philosophy, in religion, and in history—three virtues: Wisdom, Compassion, and Action. Alex' memories radiated a nascent wisdom, a sensitive compassion for Man, and a vital will to take action, that men might know a better justice, a better efficiency, and a better morality. His life encompassed, transcended, and personified Duty and Honor and Country. He gave back to West Point that which he had found; and to us, much more.

—ROGER H. NYE
Colonel, AR
Department of History

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Charles Lynn Hemmingway

NO. 25981 CLASS OF 1965

Died 13 June 1967 in Vietnam, aged 24 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"But the bravest and surely those who have the clearest vision of what is before them, glory and danger alike, and yet notwithstanding go out to meet it."

These words of Thucydides from the funeral oration of Pericles are used today to honor the memory of Charles Lynn Hemmingway who was killed in action in Vietnam on 13 June 1967.

"THE COUNTRYSIDE HERE IS VERY BEAUTIFUL. The skies are clear, pearlescent blue. The air is crisp and dry, seemingly filling the body with renewed power and energy. Everywhere the eyes survey, water sparkles, back and along the canals the greenery has a peculiar lushness to it. The rice paddy dikes give an organized grace to the landscape."

In such a style and with such appreciation did Chuck Hemmingway describe the Vietnam countryside. He loved his work, he loved helping the Vietnamese, indeed, he loved the Vietnamese. And this was returned a thousand-fold. On learning of his death, Major Tran Quoc Lich, Commanding Officer, 3d Airborne Battalion, Airborne Division, wrote a poem expressing his grief and desolation. The poem entitled, "Memory to a Friend," hangs as a memorial to Chuck in the Headquarters of the Airborne Division. It reads in part:

"You lost your life, why did it end?
I will remember you, my friend
I'll write your name in our history
A courageous soldier died for liberty."

And a boyhood friend wrote me: "Chuck was always genuinely interested in people and their problems. It was certainly a dark day in our lives when we were notified that Chuck had been killed in action. I had lost a true friend, our town had lost a 'son,' and our nation had lost a great young man. The only consolation was that Chuck's death was consistent with his life. He did not lose his life; he gave it, with honor, dignity, and for a cause in which he truly believed."

Chuck Hemmingway belonged to the main, to the whole. He was not in Donne's phrase "an island." Life concerned Chuck Hemmingway. People certainly were important to him. He wrote not long before his death: "I want to get out into the world, charging right ahead, never looking back with regret, looking back a little wiser, and glad for the experience."

Chuck was born in Wichita, Kansas, on 25 February 1943. A former teacher and dear friend who did so much to help Chuck in his formative years remembers that he accepted every challenge she sent his way, and grew a little with each.

One of Chuck's classmates through junior and senior high school in Dodge City, Kansas, recalls: "During our years in junior high school many of our interests were parallel. At that age we were primarily concerned with excelling in athletics and scholastics. It was here that Chuck developed the reputation of being extremely intelligent, confident, proud, honest, sincere, sensitive, and polite. This is the reputation that followed him through his life in Dodge City.

CHARLES LYNN HEMMINGWAY

"In our freshman year, Chuck was badly injured in a football game with our chief rival —Great Bend, Kansas. He dislocated his knee so severely that he was told he could never participate in football again. This became one of his greatest challenges at that time. I shall never forget how diligently he worked with weights to strengthen his knee so that he might participate again. He exercised religiously three days a week for two years. Finally, he was allowed to try out his senior year and quickly won a starting position. I cite this example to illustrate the courage that Chuck possessed. I do not recall anyone else that would have sacrificed as did Chuck.

"Chuck was admired and respected both by the students and parents. He made every attempt to 'fit' into every group and was very successful at it. Our senior year, the high school newspaper published a list of students in our class designating them as 'The Most Talented Boy,' etc. . . . Chuck was awarded the title of 'The Most Likely to Succeed.' This was the honest feeling of both student and faculty. Of course, when Chuck was selected to attend West Point, the students, faculty, and parents were proud, not only of Chuck, but of themselves for having one of their classmates, students, and 'sons' receive this honor. Everyone felt certain that Chuck would be a General Officer. . . ."

Chuck entered West Point in July 1961, as a member of the Class of 1965. One of his classmates writes: "Chuck was passionately interested in being a fine soldier. Though not too interested in academic subjects, he was devoted to preparing himself both physically and tactically for the job of meeting and defeating the enemy in combat. He enjoyed the hard hitting punishing sports like boxing and rugby. Yet he devoted his free time to teaching children as a Sunday School teacher. He enjoyed playing bridge, which is a game that requires mental concentration, teamwork, and which has its own highly developed tactics that invite calculated risk, after a careful analysis of the opponents disposition."

That Chuck indeed was well trained, dedicated, and motivated is borne out by a family friend and sports writer who in previous days watched Chuck play high school football. This family friend wrote me: "I had the opportunity to make several interviews with Chuck before he went to Vietnam. He seemed eager to go and to do what he could. He gave me the impression that he had been trained especially for this type of job and was real eager to go."

Teachers are not always the most perceptive of humans regardless of what misconceptions of themselves they may entertain. As one of Chuck's teachers during those four years at West Point, it would be presumptuous of me to comment on how well I did my job or how effectively Chuck responded in his various classes. It is truly irrelevant. The record which Chuck left us as his legacy speaks for itself. Rather it would be more appropriate I believe, and far nearer the mark, for me to comment on what a gladsome, singular, happy, earnest, sincere, and Christian man Chuck was. It was a pleasure to have him as a student. The memories I hold of Chuck Hemmingway as a Cadet, and later as an Officer in Vietnam, when our paths crossed many times, are among my most cherished. With a spirit and a smile which would light the world, he endeared himself forever to the South Vietnamese who knew him, and to all of us who loved him.

One of his classmates addresses Chuck's service in Vietnam: "I arrived in Vietnam about three months before Chuck (he went to DLI) and was delighted when Chuck was assigned to the detachment. My delight turned to wonderment. Since I had been in the field for two and one-half months prior to his arrival, he thought I might have some useful information. The character spent five solid days picking my brains (and everyone else's too) for tidbits on fire support coordination, artillery procedures, calling tac air, the use of chopsticks, and such a myriad of other subjects that we were all convinced he wanted to be a walking encyclopedia. That is exactly what he became. When he joined his battalion in the field, the Vietnamese accepted him as a long lost brother. His professional competence was unquestionable, and his affability, combined with his command of the language, gave him a reputation throughout the entire division.

"We went opposite directions for a few weeks and the next time I saw Chuck, he had come in for treatment of an ear fungus. It seems he had carried an entire platoon across a canal on his back (it was too deep for them, but not for him), and in the process had infected his ears. His people said he was always doing such things.

"Shortly before his death, Chuck was recovering from a bout of amoebic dysentery and was assigned with a company in static defense around my artillery battery. We spent a great deal of time playing cribbage and talking. This time at a place called Hoa My Road, and these conversations convinced me of the eclectic nature of this man. In one fifteen minute period he could discuss the relative dogmas of two denominations, the writings of Gibran, the Green Bay Packers, and the odds of drawing to an inside straight. During this same fifteen minutes he could prepare a good spaghetti dinner, much to the amusement of both of our counterparts.

"The day Chuck was killed was not much different from other days. His battalion was on a search and destroy mission along 'The street without joy' (very near where Bernard Fall was killed). My battery was set up about five kilometers from the operation firing occasional rounds in support. I was writing to my wife when the mine went off. I remember a black plume of smoke rising from the spot followed by Chuck's call to Van Forepaugh. With letter perfect radio

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procedure he reported to his senior advisor what had happened and asked to be medevacuated. An hour later word came back from Phy Bai that he had died."

Another friend of Chuck's wrote on learning of his death: "Chuck Hemmingway's death remains as the saddest experience of my life. I lost many friends and a brother-in-law in Vietnam, and nothing has depressed me more. I didn't know him very well at the Academy, but I think I was very close to him in the Airborne Division. He was a rare combination of enthusiasm and talent. Chuck was one of the few advisors that the Vietnamese really loved."

Chuck himself said in a letter to his parents: "Don't get me wrong; I don't feel like freedom's great crusader, but I would much rather be representing my ideals here in Vietnam than elsewhere. . . There are probably one hundred men my age in the United States today who could do the same job I am doing with equal ability and skill and energy, but I am proud I was chosen the one to do the job as I'm sure you are."

Chuck Hemmingway would have it no other way. It was not in his spirit or nature to have it any other way. He was one of God's noblemen—forever in the vanguard. As Samual Longfellow writes:

"God's trumpet wakes the slumbering world:
Now each man to his post!
The Red Cross banner is unfurled:
Who joins the glorious host?
He who, in fealty to the truth,
And counting all the cost,
Doth consecrate his generous youth,—
He joins the noble host!"

—R. E. L.

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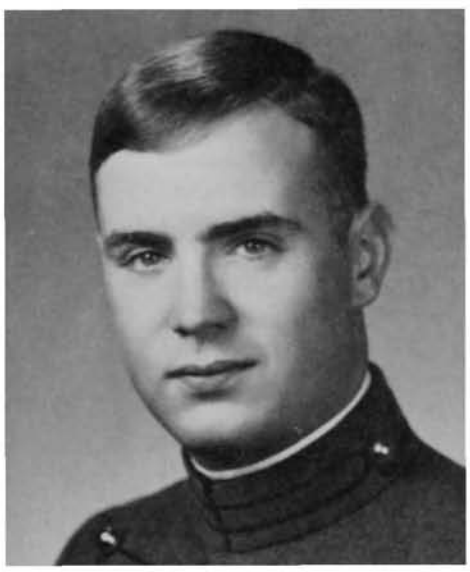
Roger Alan Fulkerson

NO. 27139 CLASS OF 1967

Died 25 September 1968 at Duc Lap, Vietnam, aged 23 years.

Interment: Oakwood Cemetery, Troy, New York



ROGER ALAN FULKERSON

FIRST LIEUTENANT ROGER A. FULKERSON gave his life in the service of his country at Duc Lap, Vietnam on 25 September 1968. A man of high ideals and courage, Roger volunteered for Vietnam prepared to lay down his life if necessary and in an act of duty, responsibility, and selflessness made that supreme sacrifice. His dedication to duty, bearing, professional knowledge, ability, and sense of honor all added to make the man and officer that Roger was.

Born on 19 June 1945 in Utica, New York, Roger attended elementary and high school in Troy, graduating as an honor student from Troy High School in 1963. Sports were of prime interest in his life. He was a member of school football and swimming teams in both elementary and high schools. Another source of great enjoyment to him was his participation as a drummer in school and dance bands. Rounding out his extra-curricuular activities, he served as editor of his high school yearbook and graduated with the respect and admiration of classmates and teachers alike. As a prelude to his military career, Roger was a Boy Scout for his entire boyhood years, attending the National Jamboree in 1960. His ability and background made him more than equal to meet the rigors of cadet life.

Roger entered the Military Academy on 1 July 1963. He had received a congressional appointment from the State of Illinois, where his paternal grandparents resided on extensive land holdings. This land was accumulated at the close of the Civil War by Colonel William H. Fulkerson, an ex-West Point Cadet, of the 63d Tennessee Regiment, CSA.

Roger's years at West Point and his brief career as an officer were the culmination of a lifelong ambition. He kept his humor and good nature intact through the most trying times of his years at the Academy. Indeed, his calm, mild manner served as an inspiration to those more excitable and less able to withstand the tensions that are a part of a cadet's life. The remarks made by David R. Hadly in the HOWITZER summarize perfectly the qualities that dominated Roger's character. "Rog will always be remembered for the calm and deliberate manner in which he approached trying situations and his outstanding sincerity that could not help but win him friends. His forte was his tremendous ability to get along with and understand others. Rog has a 'swing' and a unique ability to initiate and appreciate humor that will contribute greatly to the success that he is surely to achieve." Although cadet years presented a challenge to Rog, his enthusiasm for life did not diminish. He enjoyed the exertion and relaxation that athletics provided him. While at the Academy his favorites were football, lacrosse, and tennis although he participated in many others. He spent much of his free time pursuing these interests. Social life rated high with Rog. Dating was one of his favorite activities, and whenever possible he took advantage of an opportunity to date. He amazed his friends because he always "dragged so pro."

Following graduation on 7 June 1967, Roger was commissioned in the Field Artillery with Vietnam his first assignment. He attended Airborne School at Fort Benning during his leave time, and then went to the Officer's Basic Course at Fort Sill. Following Officer's Basic he successfully completed Ranger School and was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas. While at Hood he attended and completed the twelve weeks course in Vietnamese. Roger arrived in Vietnam on 8 July 1968 and was assigned as a forward observer with Company C of the 2d Battalion, 35th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division. His contribution in the defense of freedom was well stated in the letter from his commanding officer after his death. "On 25 September Roger was forward observer with Company C of the 2d Battalion, 35th Infantry during operations six miles southwest of Duc Lap in Vietnam's south central highlands. At 0910 hours his company position was heavily attacked by an estimated North Vietnamese Army company using small arms and rockets. Roger immediately adjusted the fires of three artillery batteries onto the enemy. The effectiveness of his employment of friendly fires later completely disrupted the attack. At 1005 hours an enemy B-40 rocket round detonated near Roger's position, and fragments struck him in the head, killing him instantly. Roger was regarded as an outstanding officer and individual by all whom he served, and his loss is a great shock to all of us."

Citations accompanying the Bronze Star Medal with V"" Device (First Oak Leaf Cluster), awarded posthumously, state: "Lieutenant Fulkerson provided the supported Infantry with continuous Artillery fires braved the intense enemy fire with complete disregard for his own safety . . . with flawless accuracy, adjusted the Artillery on the advancing enemy, stopping their advances." In addition to the Bronze Star Medal his awards included the Purple Heart, the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and the National Order of Vietnam, Fifth Class including Gallantry Cross with Palm.

Roger's heroic and untimely death was a great personal tragedy to each of his family and friends. The grief experienced by William and Dorothy Fulkerson in the loss of an only son and by Amy in the loss of an only brother was compounded by extremely close family ties. Roger lived every moment of his life giving of himself fully. Whether at work or play he strove for perfection and could always be counted on to perform admirably. He enjoyed life and people and his qualities of honesty and sincerity earned him many devoted friends. Basically quiet, his warmth and generosity could only be appreciated by those who knew him well. His wonderful wit and sense of humor were of constant enjoyment to those privileged individuals.

First Lieutenant Michael P. Kurtgis, attached to a sister company in Vietnam, wrote following Roger's death: "Roger and I shared the same feeling for our work and our men, and I can't help but feel that a part of me will always be with him as I know Roger will always be with me."

The true measure of life is not how many days, weeks, months, or years one may live, but how well one lives out his allotted time. Roger gave his utmost for the country he loved, and the way of life he fervently believed in. To me, Rog was all a friend and companion could be. I know I will never forget him and the kind of person he was. One can never replace his best friend. His memory will endure in all who knew him and will serve to inspire them to emulate all the qualities he possessed.

—James P. DeSantis
Friend and Classmate

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John Thomas Corley Jr.

NO. 27050 CLASS OF 1967

Died 8 September 1968 in Vietnam, aged 22 years.

Interment: Greenlawn Memorial Park, Columbia, South Carolina

JOHN THOMAS CORLEY, JR. was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on 7 December 1945, while his father (USMA '38) was serving in Europe with the 1st Infantry Division. The oldest of seven children in a devoted Army family, John lived most of his life on Army posts.

John's first home was the Quarters next to the Catholic Chapel at West Point. From there he traveled to Fort Leavenworth and

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JOHN THOMAS CORLEY JR.

Governor's Island. When his father was ordered to Korea at the beginning of the Korean War, the family moved to Cape Cod where John assumed responsibility far beyond his five years in caring for his four younger brothers and sisters. From this early age John knew the meaning of "Duty First."

On subsequent tours John saw much of the United States and Europe, but his home in the Army was Fort Benning. It was here while his father was commanding the Rangers that John formed his impressions of the professional Army that caused him to choose Infantry as his branch of service.

John spent his freshman and senior years at Pacelli High School, Columbus, Georgia. During the interim years, he attended schools in Wiesbaden, Germany, and Dreux, France.

His great interest during his high school years was sports. His big six foot-four, 200 plus frame together with the red-headed determination of a fighting Irishman earned him letters each year in football and basketball. As a senior he was named a "Georgia All-State Tackle."

John received his appointment to West Point from Congressman John Rooney, Brooklyn, New York, and stepped into Beast Barracks determined to stay. His years at West Point were not easy. Academics he managed in stride, but he soon became a familiar figure on the area. A classmate wrote of John's cadet years in the HOWITZER: "He should be a candidate for the Olympic Walking Team if what they want is experience. But his determination has won him much respect. John's interests are divided between girls and golf, not necessarily in that order. He has always been a tough competitor, being a top contender among the Brigade Heavyweight Boxers and always ready to accept a duel to the death be it with lacrosse stick or golf club. He was the man to see when you needed a friendly word. His drive and perseverance in seeing a job through will certainly make him an asset to the Officer Corp."

It was indeed a proud and memorable moment on Graduation Day when John's father swore him in as a Second Lieutenant, United States Army. His orders to Fort Benning for Ranger and Airborne School were like going home. After proudly qualifying for the Ranger Tab and Parachute Badge, John was assigned to the 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg. Three months later he was on orders for Vietnam. There he joined Company D, 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry, 25th Division which he described as "the best unit over there."

From his arrival in Vietnam on 9 May 1968 until his death on 8 September, John gave his country the best that was in him. As a platoon leader, he spent four months in the field making daily sweeps and nightly ambushes in the fifty-mile radius around Saigon. He was commanding the 1st Battalion Reconnaissance Platoon when he was killed. His citation accompanying the Silver Star reads: "While on a reconnaissance in force operations, Lieutenant Corley's platoon came under intense small arms fire from two well concealed bunkers. With complete disregard for his own safety, Lieutenant Corley moved forward to investigate the situation and found the point man critically wounded. Despite heavy communist fire, he rushed forward and threw a grenade into one of the bunkers. As Lieutenant Corley raised up to throw another grenade he was fatally wounded by hostile fire. First Lieutenant Corley's personal bravery, aggressiveness, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service."

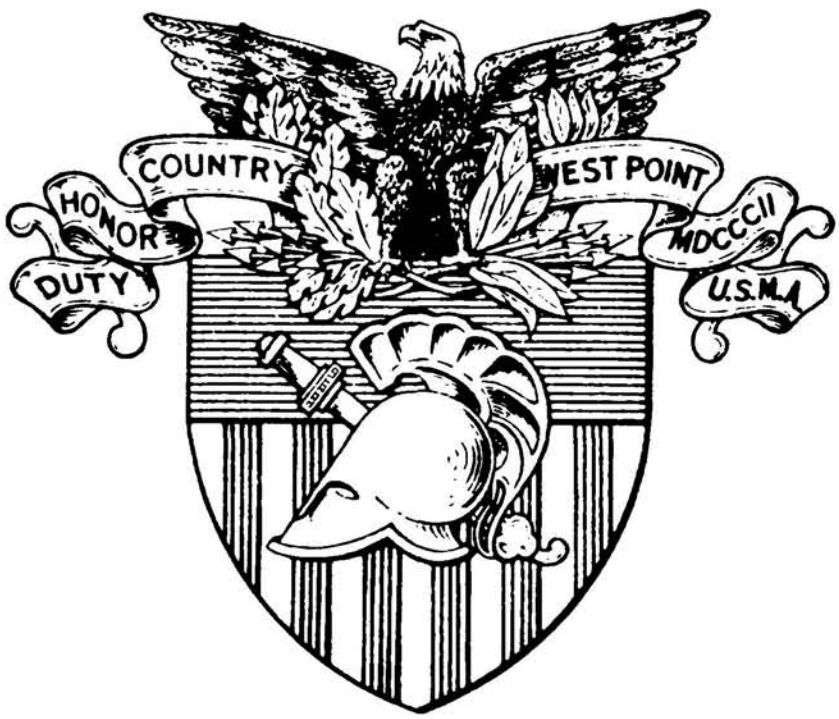
His other decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster and "V" device.

A West Point roommate wrote: "When I think of John, I think of all the good things of life. John was one of the good people of the world. He loved life and helped others to enjoy it. His positive, optimistic attitude helped him make the most of any bad situation. He was always ready to lead, to lend a hand or to talk. He was compatible with life in a very particular way that was noted and envied by all who were privileged to know him."

Though John seemed to live with a youthful passion for the moment, his letters home were filled with his dreams and ambitions for the future. He was very much a part of the great humanism of his generation. But to John love and duty were one total commitment.

"To love life and live it joyfully, bravely
and faithfully,
Surely, this is the way to eternity."

—The Family



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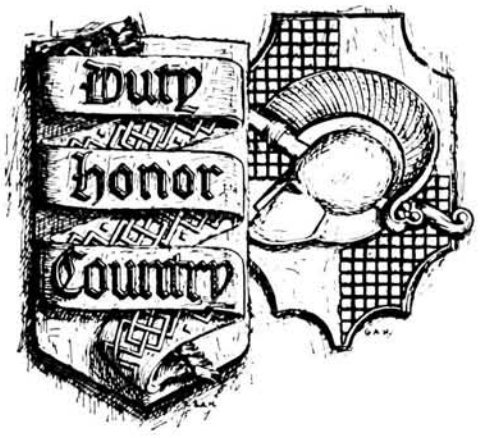

Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received *since the publication of the* Summer 1970 ASSEMBLY.

Name	*Class*	*Date of Death*	*Place of Death*
Robert M. Beck Jr.	1901	4 July 1970	Park Rapids, Minnesota
Fauntley M. Miller	1907	30 April 1970	Washington, D. C.
Robert S. A. Dougherty	1908	13 October 1969	Allentown, Pennsylvania
Beverly C. Dunn	1910	14 August 1970	New York, New York
Robert W. Clark Jr.	1911	7 July 1970	Sarasota, Florida
Harrison Brand Jr.	1914	8 October 1970	Washington, D. C.
Harold F. Loomis	1914	21 October 1970	Washington, D. C.
Joseph D. McCain	1914	19 March 1970	Hampton, Virginia
Elmer E. Adler	Ex-1914	13 August 1970	San Antonio, Texas
Frederic W. Boye	1915	6 October 1970	Washington, D. C.
John J. McEwan	Apr 1917	9 August 1970	New York, New York
Arthur C. Purvis	Aug 1917	8 August 1970	Washington, D. C.
Forrest C. Shaffer	Aug 1917	31 July 1970	Amherst, Massachusetts
George M. Badger	Nov 1918	23 September 1970	Washington, D. C.
Charles F. Colson	Nov 1918	22 August 1970	Washington, D. C.
Henry B. Sheets	1919	3 August 1970	Buffalo, New York
James R. Manees	Ex-1919	30 October 1968	Miami, Florida
Dwight A. Rosebaum	1920	1 October 1970	Shreveport, Louisiana
Charles N. Branham	1922	7 August 1970	West Point, New York
Washington M. Ives Jr.	1924	22 June 1970	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Charles R. Landon	1924	3 September 1970	Washington, D. C.
Frank J. Thompson	1924	3 June 1970	Gainesville, Florida
Lee B. Washbourne	1927	4 August 1970	Seguin, Texas
Theodore S. Riggs	1928	10 August 1970	Washington, D. C.
Samuel P. Kelley	1930	26 July 1970	Newport, Rhode Island
Ducat McEntee	1935	18 October 1970	Elizabethtown, Kentucky
Clifford B. Haughton Jr.	1939	17 April 1970	Center Sandwich, New Hampshire
Delmer J. Rogers	1939	12 September 1970	Ayre, Massachusetts
Maynard G. Moyer	1941	25 September 1970	Medellin, Colombia
Ralph A. Starner	1946	9 September 1970	Schofield Barracks, Hawaii
Francis X. Keilt	1952	12 October 1970	Holloman AFB, New Mexico
Irwin B. Mayer	1956	2 October 1970	Taiwan
David L. Ramsay	1964	17 August 1970	Vietnam
John E. Darling Jr.	1968	18 May 1970	Vietnam
David T. Maddux	1968	9 August 1970	Vietnam
Donald R. Workman	1968	21 July 1970	Vietnam
David D. Kirby	1969	28 August 1970	San Antonio, Texas
William A. Pahissa	1969	22 July 1970	Vietnam
Jonathan C. Shine	1969	15 October 1970	Vietnam
Joseph P. Sowa	1969	12 October 1970	Fort Richardson, Alaska
Stephen J. Ross	Ex-1969	30 March 1970	Leesville, Virginia
Charles T. Connatser Jr.	1970	24 October 1970	Columbus, Georgia

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